Formula for Lucas Like Sequence of Fourth Step and Fifth Step

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Abstract
This article discusses a formula to solve the \( n \) terms Lucas like sequence of fourth-step and fifth-step from the formula of Natividad [International Journal of Mathematics and Scientific Computing, 3.2 (2013), 38-40]. This formula is proved using the strong mathematical induction.

Keywords: Lucas sequence \( n \) step, Lucas like sequence 4-step, Lucas like sequence 5-step

1 Introduction
Fibonacci sequence \((F_n)\) is defined as a sequence of number recurrence of order two are expressed in the form of [1]

\[
F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}, \quad F_0 = 0, \quad F_1 = 1.
\]  

(1)

Generalizations of Fibonacci sequence is Tribonacci sequence defined by \( T_0 = 0, \ T_1 = 0, \ T_2 = 1 \) and recurrence equations \( T_n = T_{n-1} + T_{n-2} + T_{n-3} \). This only
means that the previous three terms are added to find the next term. On the other hand, generalizations of Fibonacci sequence is Lucas sequence. Lucas develops a sequence that has the properties like Fibonacci sequence. Lucas sequence is defined in the form of [1]

\[ L_n = L_{n-1} + L_{n-2}, \quad L_1 = 1, \quad L_2 = 3. \] (2)

Generalizations of the Lucas sequence is Lucas 3-step, which is derived from the sum of the previous three terms. Natividad and Policarpio [4] find a formula for finding the \( n^{th} \) terms of Tribonacci like sequence and followed by Singh [7] who discusses a formula for finding the \( n^{th} \) terms of Tetranacci like sequence. Further research was continued by Natividad [5], he finds a formula to find the \( n^{th} \) term of Fibonacci sequence of higher order, i.e. Tetranacci, Pentanacci and Hexanacci like sequences. In this paper, we derive a general formula to find the \( n^{th} \) term of the Lucas 3-step. Based on these studies we discuss a new formula to find for Lucas 4-step and Lucas 5-step whose proof uses mathematical induction.

### 2 Lucas \( n \)-Step Sequence

Lucas sequence \( n \) step is Lucas obtained from the sum of \( n \) terms before. By Lucas definition in [6] this sequence is generalized in higher order that is expressed in the form of

\[ L_{k+1}^{(n)} = L_k^{(n)} + L_{k-1}^{(n)} + ... + L_{k-n+1}^{(n)}, \] (3)

with \( k < 0 \), \( L_k^{(n)} = -1 \) and \( L_0^{(n)} = n \).

In [4] and [5] Natividad found a formula to find \( n \) terms from of Fibonacci like sequence from third, fourth, fifth Order. This article discusses a formula to find the \( n^{th} \) term of Lucas 4-step and 5-step.

### 3 Formula For Lucas Like Sequence Of Fourth Step and Fifth Step

Considering the equation (4), we obtain some equations as follows :

\[ L_5^{(4)} = L_1^{(4)} + L_2^{(4)} + L_3^{(4)} + L_4^{(4)} \]
\[ L_6^{(4)} = L_1^{(4)} + 2L_2^{(4)} + 2L_3^{(4)} + 2L_4^{(4)} \]
\[ L_7^{(4)} = 2L_1^{(4)} + 3L_2^{(4)} + 4L_3^{(4)} + 4L_4^{(4)} \]
\[ L_8^{(4)} = 4L_1^{(4)} + 6L_2^{(4)} + 7L_3^{(4)} + 8L_4^{(4)} \]
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\[
\begin{align*}
L_9^{(4)} &= 8L_1^{(4)} + 12L_2^{(4)} + 14L_3^{(4)} + 15L_4^{(4)} \\
L_{10}^{(4)} &= 15L_1^{(4)} + 23L_2^{(4)} + 27L_3^{(4)} + 29L_4^{(4)} \\
L_{11}^{(4)} &= 29L_1^{(4)} + 44L_2^{(4)} + 52L_3^{(4)} + 56L_4^{(4)}
\end{align*}
\]

(4)

All values for the coefficients \(L_1^{(4)}, L_2^{(4)}, L_3^{(4)}\) and \(L_4^{(4)}\) where a list of which is shown in Table 1.

Table 1: The coefficients of \(L_1^{(4)}, L_2^{(4)}, L_3^{(4)}, L_4^{(4)}\)

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<th>(L_n^{(4)})</th>
<th>Coefficients</th>
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Table 1 shows that the coefficient \(L_1^{(4)}, L_2^{(4)}, L_3^{(4)}\) and \(L_4^{(4)}\) for \(n \geq 5\) follows the Fibonacci sequence patterns that can be presented in the following Table 2.

Table 2: The first 12 of Fibonacci numbers

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<th>Tetranacci numbers</th>
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<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
<th>6</th>
<th>7</th>
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<th>9</th>
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<td>1</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<td>29</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>108</td>
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After observing and examining of Table 1 and Table 2, it can be seen that all the coefficients \(L_1^{(4)}\) is a pattern that relies on the number Tetranacci of Lucas 4-step to be searched. Then the coefficient \(L_2^{(4)}\) is the sum of the two numbers before, while the coefficient Tetranacci \(L_3^{(4)}\) is the sum of three numbers Tetranacci earlier. The pattern will continue until 5-step to obtain the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1** For any real number \(L_1^{(4)}, L_2^{(4)}\), \(L_3^{(4)}\) and \(L_4^{(4)}\) Lucas 4-step then.

\[
L_n^{(4)} = (M_{n-2}^{*})L_1^{(4)} + (M_{n-2}^{*} + M_{n-3}^{*})L_2^{(4)} + (M_{n-2}^{*} + M_{n-3}^{*})L_3^{(4)}
\]
where $L^{(4)}_n$ n term Lucas 4-step, $L^{(4)}_1$ first term, $L^{(4)}_2$ second term, $L^{(4)}_3$ third term, $L^{(4)}_4$ fourth term and $M_{n-2}^*$, $M_{n-3}^*$, $M_{n-4}^*$, $M_{n-5}^*$ Tetranacci numbers.

**Bukti.** We shall prove above theorem by strong mathematical induction for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

**Basic step:** First take $n = 5$, then we get

$$L_5^{(4)} = (M_3^*)L_1^{(4)} + (M_3^* + M_2^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_3^* + M_2^* + M_1^*)L_3^{(4)}$$

$$+(M_3^* + M_2^* + M_1^* + M_0^*)L_4^{(4)}$$

$$= (1)L_1^{(4)} + (1 + 0)L_2^{(4)} + (1 + 0 + 0)L_3^{(4)} + (1 + 0 + 0 + 0)L_4^{(4)}$$

$$L_5^{(4)} = L_1^{(4)} + L_2^{(4)} + L_3^{(4)} + L_4^{(4)}$$

(6)

which is true ( by definition of Lucas n step).

**Induction step:** Take $k \in \mathbb{N}$ for $k \geq 4$ and $L^{(3)}_n$ true and assumed for $n = 5, 6, \ldots, (k-3), (k-2), (k-1), k$, then

$$L_{k-1}^{(4)} = (M_{k-3}^*)L_1^{(4)} + (M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^*)L_3^{(4)}$$

$$+(M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^*)L_4^{(4)}$$

(7)

$$L_{k-2}^{(4)} = (M_{k-4}^*)L_1^{(4)} + (M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^*)L_3^{(4)}$$

$$+(M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^*)L_4^{(4)}$$

(8)

$$L_{k-3}^{(4)} = (M_{k-5}^*)L_1^{(4)} + (M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^*)L_3^{(4)}$$

$$+(M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^* + M_{k-8}^*)L_4^{(4)}$$

(9)

$$L_{k}^{(4)} = (M_{k-2}^*)L_1^{(4)} + (M_{k-2}^* + M_{k-3}^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_{k-2}^* + M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^*)L_3^{(4)}$$

$$+(M_{k-2}^* + M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^*)L_4^{(4)}$$

(10)

It must be proved that $L_{k+1}^{(4)}$ true. From 3, it is known that $L_{k+1}^{(4)} = L_{k-3}^{(4)} + L_{k-2}^{(4)} + L_{k-1}^{(4)} + L_{k}^{(4)}$, so

$$L_{k+1}^{(4)} = L_{k-3}^{(4)} + L_{k-2}^{(4)} + L_{k-1}^{(4)} + L_{k}^{(4)}$$
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\[ L^{(4)} = (M_{k-5}^*)L_1^{(4)} + (M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^*)L_3^{(4)} + (M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^* + M_{k-8}^*)L_4^{(4)} + (M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^* + M_{k-8}^* + M_{k-9}^*)L_5^{(4)} \]

\[ L_{k+1}^{(4)} = (M_{k-2}^* + M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^*)L_1^{(4)} \]

\[ = + [(M_{k-2}^* + M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^*)L_2^{(4)} + (M_{k-3}^* + M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^*)L_3^{(4)} + (M_{k-4}^* + M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^*)L_4^{(4)} + (M_{k-5}^* + M_{k-6}^* + M_{k-7}^* + M_{k-8}^*)L_5^{(4)}] \]

Because basic step and induction step have been proved true, therefore the statement given is true.

**Theorem 3.2** For any real number \( L_1^{(5)} , L_2^{(5)} , L_3^{(5)} , L_4^{(5)} \) and \( L_5^{(5)} \) Lucas 5-step then

\[ L_n^{(5)} = (P_{n-2}^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_{n-2}^* + P_{n-3}^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_{n-2}^* + P_{n-3}^* + P_{n-4}^*)L_3^{(5)} + (P_{n-2}^* + P_{n-3}^* + P_{n-4}^* + P_{n-5}^*)L_4^{(5)} + (P_{n-2}^* + P_{n-3}^* + P_{n-4}^* + P_{n-5}^* + P_{n-6}^*)L_5^{(5)} \]

where \( L_n^{(5)} \) n terms , \( L_1^{(5)} \) first term, \( L_2^{(5)} \) second term, \( L_3^{(5)} \) third term, \( L_4^{(5)} \) fourth term, \( L_5^{(5)} \) fifth term and \( P_{n-2}^* , P_{n-3}^* , P_{n-4}^* , P_{n-5}^* , P_{n-5}^* \) Pentanacci number.

**Bukti.** We shall prove above theorem by strong mathematical induction \( n \in N \)

**Basic Step:** First we take \( n = 6 \), then we get

\[ L_6^{(5)} = (P_{6-2}^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_{6-2}^* + P_{6-3}^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_{6-2}^* + P_{6-3}^* + P_{6-4}^*)L_3^{(4)} \]
\[+(P_{6-2}^* + P_{6-3}^* + P_{6-4}^* + P_{6-5}^*)L_4^{(5)}\]
\[+(P_{6-2}^* + P_{6-3}^* + P_{6-4}^* + P_{6-5}^* + P_{6-6}^*)L_5^{(5)}\]  
\[L_6^{(5)} = (P_1^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_4^* + P_5^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_4^* + P_3^* + P_2^*)L_3^{(4)}\]
\[+(P^* + P_3^* + P_2^* + P_1^*)L_4^{(5)} + (P_4^* + P_3^* + P_2^* + P_1^* + P_0^*)L_5^{(5)}\]  
\[L_6^{(5)} = (1)L_1^{(5)} + (1 + 0)L_2^{(5)} + (1 + 0 + 0)L_3^{(4)} + (1 + 0 + 0 + 0)\]
\[L_4^{(5)}(1 + 0 + 0 + 0)L_5^{(5)}\]  
\[L_6^{(5)} = L_1^{(5)} + L_2^{(5)} + L_3^{(4)} + L_4^{(5)} + L_5^{(5)}\]  
which is true (by definition of Lucas \(n\) step.

**Induction step**: Take \(k \in N\) for \(k \geq 5\) dan \(L_n^{(5)}\) correctly assumed for \(n = 6, 7, \cdots, (k - 4), (k - 3), (k - 2), (k - 1), k\), then
\[L_{k-4}^{(5)} = (P_{k-6}^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^*)\]
\[+P_{k-8}^*L_3^{(5)} + (P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^* + P_{k-8}^* + P_{k-9}^*)L_4^{(5)}\]
\[+(P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^* + P_{k-8}^* + P_{k-9}^* + P_{k-10}^*)L_5^{(5)}\]  
\[L_{k-3}^{(5)} = (P_{k-5}^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^*)\]
\[+P_{k-7}^*L_3^{(5)} + (P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^* + P_{k-8}^*)L_4^{(5)}\]
\[+(P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^* + P_{k-8}^* + P_{k-9}^*)L_5^{(5)}\]  
\[L_{k-2}^{(5)} = (P_{k-4}^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_{k-4}^* + P_{k-5}^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_{k-4}^* + P_{k-5}^*)\]
\[+P_{k-6}^*L_3^{(5)} + (P_{k-4}^* + P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^*)L_4^{(5)}\]
\[+(P_{k-4}^* + P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^* + P_{k-8}^*)L_5^{(5)}\]  
\[L_{k-1}^{(5)} = (P_{k-3}^*)L_1^{(5)} + (P_{k-3}^* + P_{k-4}^*)L_2^{(5)} + (P_{k-3}^* + P_{k-4}^*)\]
\[+P_{k-5}^*L_3^{(5)} + (P_{k-3}^* + P_{k-4}^* + P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^*)L_4^{(5)} + (P_{k-3}^* + P_{k-4}^*)\]
\[+P_{k-5}^* + P_{k-6}^* + P_{k-7}^*)L_5^{(5)}\]  
(21)
Formula for Lucas like sequence

It must be proved that $L^{(5)}_{k+1}$ true. Based on equation of 3, it is known that $L^{(5)}_{k+1} = L^{(5)}_{k-4} + L^{(5)}_{k-3} + L^{(5)}_{k-2} + L^{(5)}_{k-1} + L^{(5)}_k$, so

$$L^{(5)}_{k+1} = (P^{*}_{k-6})L^{(5)}_1 + (P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7})L^{(5)}_2 + (P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_3 + (P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_4 + (P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_5$$

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$$+ (P^{*}_{k-5})L^{(5)}_6 + (P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6})L^{(5)}_7 + (P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7})L^{(5)}_8 + (P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_9 + (P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_{10}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-4})L^{(5)}_{11} + (P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5})L^{(5)}_{12} + (P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6})L^{(5)}_{13} + (P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7})L^{(5)}_{14} + (P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_{15}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-3})L^{(5)}_{16} + (P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4})L^{(5)}_{17} + (P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5})L^{(5)}_{18} + (P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6})L^{(5)}_{19} + (P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7})L^{(5)}_{20}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-2})L^{(5)}_{21} + (P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3})L^{(5)}_{22} + (P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4})L^{(5)}_{23} + (P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5})L^{(5)}_{24} + (P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6})L^{(5)}_{25}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-1})L^{(5)}_{26} + (P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2})L^{(5)}_{27} + (P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3})L^{(5)}_{28} + (P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4})L^{(5)}_{29} + (P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5})L^{(5)}_{30}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_k)0 + (P^{*}_k+P^{*}_{k-1})L^{(5)}_{31} + (P^{*}_k+P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2})L^{(5)}_{32} + (P^{*}_k+P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3})L^{(5)}_{33} + (P^{*}_k+P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4})L^{(5)}_{34}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5})L^{(5)}_{35} + (P^{*}_{k-1}+P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6})L^{(5)}_{36}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7})L^{(5)}_{37} + (P^{*}_{k-2}+P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8})L^{(5)}_{38}$$

$$+ (P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8}+P^{*}_{k-9})L^{(5)}_{39} + (P^{*}_{k-3}+P^{*}_{k-4}+P^{*}_{k-5}+P^{*}_{k-6}+P^{*}_{k-7}+P^{*}_{k-8}+P^{*}_{k-9}+P^{*}_{k-10})L^{(5)}_{40}$$

Because basic step and induction step have been proved true, then the statement given is true.
4 Conclusion

From the results of this article can be concluded that the formula to find the \(n^{th}\) terms of the generalizations Fibonacci sequence is not only Tribonacci, Tetranacci and Pentanacci but also presents in Lucas 3-step, 4-step and 5-step. This formula can be proved by mathematical induction.

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