# ORIGINAL PAPER ON GENERALIZED (k, r) – GAUSS PELL NUMBERS

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**Abstract.** We define the generalized (k, r) – Gauss Pell numbers by using the definition of a distance between numbers. Then we examine their properties and give some important identities for these numbers. In addition, we present the generating functions for these numbers and the sum of the terms of the generalized (k, r) – Gauss Pell numbers.

*Keywords:* k – *Pell numbers; Gauss Pell numbers;* r –*distance Gauss Pell numbers; generating functions.* 

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Many studies have been conducted on number sequences, especially on Fibonacci number sequences. Some of these are [1-10]. We see some generalizations of Pell numbers in [11-16]. Also, we see some works on generalized Gauss numbers in [17-19]. In [18], Özkan and Taştan presented Gauss Fibonacci polynomials and Gauss Lucas polynomials and proved some theorems related to these polynomials.

Falcon and Plaza [2] presented the definition of k-Fibonacci number. Falcon [1] applied the definition of r-distance to the k-Fibonacci numbers in such a way that it generalized earlier results [20, 10]. Then Panwar et al. gave several identities for generalized (k, r)-Fibonacci Numbers [7].

In this paper, we apply the definition of *r*-distance to k – Gauss Pell numbers. We present some properties of these sequences. In addition, the generating functions, some important identities, sum of the terms of the generalized (k,r) – Pell numbers are given. Now we recall the definition of k –Pell sequence and its Binet Formula.

**Definition 1.1.** For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the k –Pell sequence is defined by

$$P_{k,n} = 2P_{k,n-1} + kP_{k,n-2}$$
, for  $n \ge 2$ 

with  $P_{k,0} = 0, P_{k,1} = 1$  [9].

Let's give the first few terms for k –Pell numbers as follows:

$$P_{k,0} = 0$$
$$P_{k,1} = 1$$

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$$P_{k,2} = 2$$

$$P_{k,3} = k + 4$$

$$P_{k,4} = 4k + 8$$

$$P_{k,5} = k^2 + 12k + 16$$

$$P_{k,6} = 6k^2 + 32k + 32$$

$$P_{k,7} = k^3 + 24k^2 + 80k + 64$$

If k = 1 the classical Pell sequence is obtained.  $P_1 = \{0,1,2,5,12,29,70,169,...\}$ .  $r^2 - 2r - k = 0$  is characteristic equation for k –Pell sequence. The *n* th k –Pell sequence is given by

$$P_{k,n} = \frac{r_1^n - r_2^n}{r_1 - r_2}$$

where  $r_1, r_2$  are the root of characteristic equation,  $r^2 - 2r - k = 0$  [9].

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $k \ge 2, n \ge 0$  be integers. The distance Fibonacci numbers Fd(k, n) are defined by

$$Fd(k,n) = Fd(k,n-k+1) + Fd(k,n-k)$$
 for  $n \ge k$ 

and Fd(k, n) = 1 for  $0 \le n \le k - 1$  [8].

### 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Definition 2.1.** For the natural numbers  $k \ge 1, n \ge 0$  and  $r \ge 1$ , we define the generalized (k, r) –Gauss Pell numbers  $GP_{k,n}(r)$  by

$$GP_{k,n}(r) = 2GP_{k,n-r}(r) + kGP_{k,n-2}(r) \text{ for } n \ge r$$

$$\tag{1}$$

with  $GP_{k,n}(r) = i, n = 0, 1, 2, 3, ..., r - 1$  except  $GP_{k,1}(1) = k$ .

So, if  $GP_k(r) = \{GP_{k,n}(r): n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , then we can give the following values for some r.

$$GP_k(1) = \{i, k, 2k + ki, 4k + 2ki + k^2, 4k^2 + 8k + i(k^2 + 4k), k^3 + 12k^2 + 16k + i(4k^2 + 8k), 6k^3 + 32k^2 + 32k + i(k^3 + 12k^2 + 16k), \dots\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} GP_k(2) &= \{i, i, i(k+2), i(k+2), i(k+2)^2, i(k+2)^3, i(k+2)^3, i(k+2)^4, i(k+2)^4, \dots \} \\ &+ 2\}, i(k+2)^2, i(k+2)^2, i(k+2)^3, i(k+2)^3, i(k+2)^4, \dots \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} GP_k(3) &= \{i, i, i, i(k+2), i(k+2), i(k^2+2k+2), i(k+2)^2, i(k^3+2k^2+4k+4)\} \\ GP_k(4) &= \{i, i, i, i(k+2), i(k+2), i(k^2+2k+2), i(k^2+2k+2), i(k^3+2k^2+4k+4), \dots \} \end{aligned}$$

 $GP_k(5) = \{i, i, i, i, i, i, k+2\}, i(k+2), i(k^2+2k+2), i(k^2+2k+2), i(k^3+2k^2+2k+2), i(k^3+2k^2+4k+4), \dots\}$ 

Now, let us give generalized (k,r) –Gauss Pell numbers  $GP_{k,n}(r)$  for some special values as k = 1,2,3,...

For k = 1, we get the sequences in Table 1.

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$GP_{1,n}(1)$	i	1	2+i	5+2i	12+5i	29+12i	70+29i		
$GP_{1,n}(2)$	i	i	3i	3i	9i	9i	27i	27i	81i
$GP_{1,n}(3)$	i	i	i	3i	3i	5i	9i	11i	15i
$GP_{1,n}(4)$	i	i	i	i	3i	3i	5i	5i	11i
$GP_{1,n}(5)$	i	i	i	i	i	3i	3i	5i	5i

Table 1. (1, r) –Gauss Pell numbers.

Here,  $GP_{1,n}(1) = \{i, 1, 2 + i, 5 + 2i, 12 + 5i, ...\}$  shows Gaussian Pell Numbers.

**Theorem 2.2.** For  $r \ge 2$ , it is

$$GP_{k,r}(r) = i(k+2)$$

*Proof:* From equation (1), the proof can be seen easily.

**Theorem 2.3.** If *r* is even, then we have

$$GP_{k,2n}(2m) = GP_{k,2n+1}(2m)$$

*Proof:* We prove the result by induction on *n*.

For n = 0, by definition of r -distance, we have  $GP_{k,0}(2m) = i$  and  $GP_{k,1}(2m) = i$ . Let us suppose this formula is true until 2n + 1. Then

$$GP_{k,2n+2}(2m) = 2GP_{k,2n+2-2m}(2m) + kGP_{k,2n}(2m)$$
  
= 2GP\_{k,2(n+1-m)}(2m) + kGP\_{k,2n}(2m)

$$GP_{k,2n+3}(2m) = 2GP_{k,2n+3-2m}(2m) + kGP_{k,2n+1}(2m)$$
  
= 2GP\_{k,2(n+1-m)+1}(2m) + kGP\_{k,2n+1}(2m)

and both expressions are equal because

$$GP_{k,2n+1}(2m) = GP_{k,2n} \to GP_{k,2(n+1-m)+1}(2m) = GP_{k,2(n+1-m)}(2m).$$

Theorem 2.4.  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} k^{\frac{n-j}{2}} (GP_{k,j}(r) + GP_{k,j-1}(r)) = \frac{GP_{k,n+r}(r) + GP_{k,n+r-1}(r) - 2ik^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}{2}$ 

*Proof:* By direct calculation, we have

$$GP_{k,n+r}(r) + GP_{k,n+r-1}(r) = 2GP_{k,n}(r) + kGP_{k,n+r-2} + 2P_{k,n-1}(r) + kGP_{k,n+r-3}(r)$$

$$= 2GP_{k,n}(r) + 2GP_{k,n-1}(r) + k\left(2GP_{k,n-2}(r) + kGP_{k,n+r-4}(r)\right) + k\left(2GP_{k,n-3}(r) + kGP_{k,n+r-5}(r)\right)$$

$$= 2GP_{k,n}(r) + 2GP_{k,n-1}(r) + 2kGP_{k,n-2}(r) + 2kGP_{k,n-3}(r) + k^{2} (2GP_{k,n-4}(r) + kGP_{k,n+r-6}(r)) + k^{2} (2GP_{k,n-5}(r) + kGP_{k,n+r-7}(r)) = 2GP_{k,n}(r) + 2GP_{k,n-1}(r) + 2kGP_{k,n-2}(r) + 2kGP_{k,n-3}(r) + 2k^{2}GP_{k,n-4}(r) + 2k^{2}GP_{k,n-5}(r) + k^{3}GP_{k,n+r-6}(r) + k^{3}GP_{k,n+r-7}(r) = 2(GP_{k,n}(r) + GP_{k,n-1}(r) + kGP_{k,n-2}(r) + kGP_{k,n-3}(r) + k^{2}GP_{k,n-4}(r) + k^{2}GP_{k,n-5}(r) + k^{3}GP_{k,n-6}(r) + k^{3}GP_{k,n-7}(r) + \dots + k^{\frac{n-1}{2}}GP_{k,1}(r) + k^{\frac{n-1}{2}}GP_{k,0}(r) + k^{\frac{n+1}{2}}GP_{k,r-1}(r) + k^{\frac{n+1}{2}}GP_{k,r-2}(r) = 2\sum_{k=1}^{n} \left( GP_{k,k}(r)k^{\frac{n-j}{2}} + GP_{k,k-k}(r)k^{\frac{n-j}{2}} \right) + 2ik^{\frac{n+1}{2}} - GP_{k,k-k}(r) + GP_{k,k-k}(r)$$

$$= 2\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( GP_{k,j}(r)k^{\frac{n-j}{2}} + GP_{k,j-1}(r)k^{\frac{n-j}{2}} \right) + 2ik^{\frac{n+1}{2}} = GP_{k,n+r}(r) + GP_{k,n+r-1}(r)$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} k^{\frac{n-j}{2}} (GP_{k,j}(r) + GP_{k,j-1}(r)) = \frac{GP_{k,n+r}(r) + GP_{k,n+r-1}(r) - 2ik^{\frac{n+1}{2}}}{2}$$

As is desired.

Theorem 2.5. The sum of the even and odd terms of the above sequences are, respectively,

i. 
$$\sum_{j=0}^{n} k^{n-j} GP_{k,2j}(r) = \frac{GP_{k,2n+r}(r) - ik^{n+1}}{2}$$
  
ii.  $\sum_{j=0}^{n} k^{n-j} GP_{k,2j+1}(r) = \frac{GP_{k,2n+r+1}(r) - ik^{n+1}}{2}$ 

*Proof: i.* By Equation (1), we have

$$\begin{split} GP_{k,2n+r}(r) &= 2GP_{k,2n}(r) + kGP_{k,2n+r-2}(r) \\ &= 2GP_{k,2n}(r) + k\left(2GP_{k,2n-2}(r) + kGP_{k,2n+r-4}(r)\right) \\ &= 2GP_{k,2n}(r) + 2kGP_{k,2n-2}(r) + k^2\left(2GP_{k,2n-4}(r) + kGP_{k,2n+r-6}(r)\right) \\ &= 2GP_{k,2n}(r) + 2kGP_{k,2n-2}(r) + 2k^2GP_{k,2n-4}(r) + \dots + 2k^nGP_{k,0}(r) + k^{n+1}GP_{k,r-2}(r) \\ &= 2\sum_{j=0}^n k^{n-j}GP_{k,2j} + ik^{n+1} = GP_{k,2n+r}(r) \end{split}$$

$$=\sum_{j=0}^{n}k^{n-j}GP_{k,2j}(r)=\frac{GP_{k,2n+r}(r)-ik^{n+1}}{2}$$

*ii.* The second formula can be proven in a similar way.

**Theorem 2.6.** Generating function of the sequence  $GP_k(r) = \{GP_{k,n}(r)\}$  is

$$Gp_k(r, x) = \frac{i(1+x)}{1 - kx^2 - 2x^r}$$

Proof: By direct calculation, we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} GP_{k,n}(r) x^n &= GP_{k,0}(r) + GP_{k,1}(r) x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left( 2GP_{k,n-r}(r) + kGP_{k,n-2}(r) \right) x^n \\ &= i + xi + 2x^r \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} GP_{k,n-r}(r) x^{n-r} + kx^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} GP_{k,n-2}(r) x^{n-2} \\ &= i + xi + 2x^r \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} GP_{k,p}(r) x^p + kx^2 \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} GP_{k,s}(r) x^s \\ &\qquad (1 - kx^2 - 2x^r) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} GP_{k,n}(r) x^n = i(1+x) \end{split}$$

Finally, considering that for  $r \ge 2$ , it is  $GP_{k,0}(r) = GP_{k,1}(r) = i$ , we obtain the indicated generating function. For r = 1, the characteristic equation of genaralized Gauss Pell, associated to the recurrence relation (1)

$$\alpha^2 - 2\alpha - k = 0 \tag{5}$$

with two distinct roots  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ , we get

$$\alpha_1 = 1 - \sqrt{1 + k}, \qquad \alpha_2 = 1 + \sqrt{1 + k}$$
$$\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 2$$
$$\alpha_1 \alpha_2 = -k$$
$$\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = -2\sqrt{1 + k}$$

Now, we give Binet formula for  $GP_{k,n}(1)$ .

# **Theorem 2.7. (Binet's formula)** The $n^{th}(k, 1)$ –Gauss Pell numbers is given by

$$GP_{k,n}(1) = \frac{\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1}}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1} + i\frac{\alpha_2\alpha_1^{n} - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n}}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1}$$
(6)

*Proof:* By Equation (5), we have

$$GP_{k,n}(1) = c_1 \alpha_1^n + c_2 \alpha_2^n$$

For n = 0, n = 1, solving linear equation, we obtain

$$c_1 = \frac{i\alpha_2 - k}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1}, \ c_2 = \frac{k - i\alpha_1}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1}$$

which are unique.

So, we get

$$GP_{k,n}(1) = \frac{\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1}}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1} + i\frac{\alpha_2\alpha_1^{n} - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n}}{\alpha_2 - \alpha_1}$$

which concludes the proof.

**Theorem 2.8.** There is a relationship between the (k,r)-Gauss Pell numbers and (k,r)-Pell numbers as following:

$$GP_{k,n}(r) + GP_{k,n+1}(r) = P_{k,n+1}(r) + iP_{k,n}(r)$$

*Proof:* We give the proof by induction on n and fixed r = 1.

For n = 1, r = 1 we have

$$GP_{k,1}(1) + GP_{k,2}(1) = k + 2k + ki = 3k + ki = P_{k,2}(1) + iP_{k,1}(1)$$

Assume it is true for n = t and r = 1, that is,

$$GP_{k,t}(1) + GP_{k,t+1}(1) = P_{k,t+1}(1) + iP_{k,t}(1)$$

Now, prove that it is true for n = t + 1 and r = 1, that is,

$$GP_{k,t+1}(1) + GP_{k,t+2}(1) = 2GP_{k,t}(1) + kGP_{k,t-1}(1) + 2GP_{k,t+1}(1) + kGP_{k,t}(1)$$

$$= 2GP_{k,t}(1) + 2GP_{k,t+1}(1) + k\left(GP_{k,t-1}(1) + GP_{k,t}(1)\right)$$

$$= 2\left(P_{k,t+1}(1) + iP_{k,t}(1)\right) + k(P_{k,t}(1) + iP_{k,t-1}(1))$$

$$= 2P_{k,t+1}(1) + kP_{k,t}(1) + 2iP_{k,t}(1) + kiP_{k,t-1}(1)$$

$$= P_{k,t+2} + iP_{k,t+1}$$

as desired.

**Theorem 2.9.** The (k, r) –Gauss Pell numbers for k = 1  $r \ge 1$  ve  $n \ge 2$ 

$$GP_{k,n}(r) - 2\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} GP_{k,j}(r) = 1 + i.$$

*Proof:* By Equation (4), for n = 2,3,4..., we get

$$GP_{k,2}(r) - GP_{k,0}(r) = 2GP_{k,2-r}(r)$$

$$GP_{k,3}(r) - GP_{k,1}(r) = 2GP_{k,3-r}(r)$$

$$GP_{k,4}(r) - GP_{k,2}(r) = 2GP_{k,4-r}(r)$$

$$GP_{k,5}(r) - GP_{k,3}(r) = 2GP_{k,5-r}(r)$$

$$GP_{k,6}(r) - GP_{k,4}(r) = 2GP_{k,6-r}(r)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$GP_{k,n}(r) - GP_{k,n-2}(r) = 2GP_{k,n-r}(r)$$

By summing equation side by side, we find for r = 1

$$GP_{k,n}(r) - 1 - i = 2(GP_{k,2-r}(r) + GP_{k,3-r}(r) + \dots GP_{k,n-r}(r))$$
$$GP_{k,n}(r) - 2\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} GP_{k,j}(r) = 1 + i$$

for r = 2,3,4,...

$$GP_{k,n}(r) - 2\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} GP_{k,j}(r) = 2i$$

### Theorem 2.10. (Cassini identity)

$$GP_{k,n-1}(1) \cdot GP_{k,n+1}(1) - GP_{k,n}^2(1) = (-GP_{k,1}(1))^n (-2i + GP_{k,1}(1) + 1).$$

Proof: By using the Binet's formula, we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_1^{n}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n}) + i(\alpha_1^{n-1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n-1}) \\ \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_1^{n+2}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+2}) + i(\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1}) \\ \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ - \begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1}) + i(\alpha_1^{n}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n}) \\ \alpha_2 - \alpha_1 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}^2 \\ = \frac{(\alpha_1^{n}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n}) (\alpha_1^{n+2}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+2})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2} + \frac{i(\alpha_1^{n}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n}) (\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2} \\ + \frac{i(\alpha_1^{n-1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n-1}) (\alpha_1^{n+2}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+2})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2} - \frac{(\alpha_1^{n-1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n-1}) (\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2} \\ - \frac{(\alpha_1^{2n+2}\alpha_2^{2} + \alpha_1^{2}\alpha_2^{2n+2} - 2\alpha_1^{n+2}\alpha_2^{n+2})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2} + \frac{(\alpha_1^{2n}\alpha_2^{2} + \alpha_1^{2}\alpha_2^{2n} - 2\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2^{n+1})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2} \\ - \frac{2i(\alpha_1^{n+1}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n+1}) (\alpha_1^{n}\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2^{n})}{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)^2}$$

Now, after some algebra, we get

$$\frac{i[\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n}(\alpha_{1}^{2}\alpha_{2} + \alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}^{2} - \alpha_{1}^{3} - \alpha_{2}^{3})] - \alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n}[\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}^{3} + \alpha_{1}^{3}\alpha_{2} - \alpha_{1}^{2} - \alpha_{2}^{2} - 2\alpha_{1}^{2}\alpha_{2}^{2} + 2\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}]}{(\alpha_{2} - \alpha_{1})^{2}}$$

$$\frac{i(\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n}(\alpha_{1}^{2} - \alpha_{2}^{2})(\alpha_{2} - \alpha_{1}) - \alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n}(\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2} - 1)(\alpha_{1} - \alpha_{2})^{2}}{(\alpha_{2} - \alpha_{1})^{2}}$$

$$= -i(\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n})(\alpha_{2} + \alpha_{1}) - (\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n})(\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2} - 1)$$

$$= -i(\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n})2 - (\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}^{n})(\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2} - 1)$$

$$= (-GP_{k,1}(1))^{n}(-2i + GP_{k,1}(1) + 1)$$

which concludes the proof.

**Theorem 2.11.**  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{GP_{k,n}(1)}{GP_{k,n-1}(1)} = \alpha_2.$ 

Proof: Using Binet's formula

$$=\frac{\alpha_{1}^{n+1}\alpha_{2}-\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}^{n+1}+i\alpha_{2}\alpha_{1}^{n}-\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}^{n}}{\alpha_{1}^{n}\alpha_{2}-\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}^{n}+i\alpha_{2}\alpha_{1}^{n-1}-\alpha_{1}\alpha_{2}^{n-1}}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}\right)^n \alpha_1 - \alpha_1 \alpha_2\right) + i\left(\alpha_2 \left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}\right)^2 - \alpha_1\right)}{\left(\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}\right)^n \alpha_2 - \alpha_1\right) + i\left(\alpha_2 \left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}\right)^n \alpha_1^{-1} - \alpha_1 \alpha_2^{-1}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 + i\alpha_1}{\alpha_1 + i\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}} = \frac{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 (\alpha_2 + i)}{\alpha_1 (\alpha_2 + i)} = \alpha_2$$

as desired.

### **3. CONCLUSION**

In this study, the generalized (k, r) – Gauss Pell numbers have been introduced and studied. Several properties of these numbers were deduced. In addition, the generating functions, some important identity, and sum of the terms of the generalized (k, r) – Pell numbers were given. Also, we showed another way of finding the generalized (k, r) – Gauss Pell sequence from the generating function with graphs. These identities could be used to develop new identities of the numbers.

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