

Some infinite product identities involving balancing and Lucas-balancing numbers

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In this article we establish some product identities for balancing and Lucas-balancing numbers, using the telescoping summation formula and inverse hyperbolic tangent function.

Introduction

The balancing sequence, $(B_n)_{n \geq 1}$ and the Lucas-balancing numbers, $(C_n)_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy the recurrence relation $B_{n+1} = 6B_n - B_{n-1}$ and $C_{n+1} = 6C_n - C_{n-1}$ with the initial values $B_0 = 0, B_1 = 1, C_0 = 1, C_1 = 3$ [see Behera and Panda (1999)]. Both of the sequences have the characteristic equation $x^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$. Hence, for the value $\alpha = 3 + \sqrt{8}$ the n^{th} term of these sequences can be written as

$$B_n = \frac{\alpha^n - \alpha^{-n}}{2\sqrt{8}} \text{ and } C_n = \frac{\alpha^n + \alpha^{-n}}{2}. \quad (1)$$

Melham and Shannon in Melham and Shannon (1995) investigated many inverse trigonometric and hyperbolic summation formulas involving generalized Fibonacci numbers. For instance,

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{F_{2k+2} + 1}{F_{2k+2} - 1} = 3 \text{ and } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tanh^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{F_{2n+2}}\right) = \frac{\ln 3}{2}.$$

Frontczak in Frontczak (2016) investigated several inverse hyperbolic summation and product identities for Fibonacci and Lucas numbers. The present paper deals with finding product identities for balancing and Lucas-balancing numbers.

Preliminaries

The following is the generalized telescoping summation formula [Basu and Apostol (2000), Equation (2.1)]

$$\sum_{k=1}^N [f(k) - f(k+m)] = \sum_{k=1}^m f(k) - \sum_{k=1}^m f(k+N), \text{ for } N \geq m \geq 1 \quad (2)$$

and similarly the alternating telescoping summation formula is

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N (-1)^{k-1} [f(k) + (-1)^{m-1} f(k+m)] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^{k-1} f(k) + (-1)^{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^{k-1} f(k+N). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

If $f(N) \rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$, then from (2) and (3), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [f(k) - f(k+m)] = \sum_{k=1}^m f(k) \quad (4)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} [f(k) + (-1)^{m-1} f(k+m)] = \sum_{k=1}^m (-1)^{k-1} f(k). \quad (5)$$

The following product identity is useful:

$$\prod_{k=1}^m f(k) = \prod_{k=1}^{\lfloor m/2 \rfloor} f(2k-1) \prod_{k=1}^{\lfloor m/2 \rfloor} f(2k), \quad (6)$$

where $\lfloor x \rfloor$ and $\lceil x \rceil$ denote the floor and ceiling function of x respectively. Moreover,

$$\prod_{k=1}^{2q} f(k) = \prod_{k=1}^q f(2k-1) f(2k)$$

and

$$\prod_{k=1}^{2q-1} f(k) = \prod_{k=1}^q f(2k-1) \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} f(2k)$$

with the trivial product identity

$$\prod_{k=1}^0 f(k) = 1.$$

Using (1) it is easy to get the following identities involving balancing and Lucas-balancing numbers [see Panda (2009)].

$$\frac{\alpha^n + 1}{\alpha^n - 1} = \frac{\sqrt{8}B_n}{C_n - 1} = \frac{C_n + 1}{\sqrt{8}B_n} \quad (7)$$

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$$B_{2n} = 2B_n C_n \quad (8)$$

$$C_{2n} + 1 = 2C_n^2 \quad (9)$$

$$C_{2n} - 1 = 16B_n^2 \quad (10)$$

The following inverse hyperbolic function identities are very important for proving our main results.

$$\tanh^{-1} x + \tanh^{-1} y = \tanh^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1+xy} \right), \quad xy < 1 \quad (11)$$

$$\tanh^{-1} x - \tanh^{-1} y = \tanh^{-1} \left(\frac{x-y}{1-xy} \right), \quad xy > -1 \quad (12)$$

$$\tanh^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{y} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{y+x}{y-x} \right), \quad |x| < |y| \quad (13)$$

The following two lemmas are required for proving some of our main results.

Lemma 1. For every natural number m and n , the following identities hold.

$$(a) \quad B_n B_{n+m+1} - B_{n+1} B_{n+m} = -B_m$$

$$(b) \quad C_n C_{n+m+1} - C_{n+1} C_{n+m} = 8B_m$$

Proof. We prove (a) only. Using (1) and the fact $\alpha\beta = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & B_n B_{n+m+1} - B_{n+1} B_{n+m} \\ &= \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} \cdot \frac{\alpha^{n+m+1} - \beta^{n+m+1}}{\alpha - \beta} - \frac{\alpha^{n+1} - \beta^{n+1}}{\alpha - \beta} \cdot \frac{\alpha^{n+m} - \beta^{n+m}}{\alpha - \beta} \\ &= \frac{1}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \left[\alpha^m \left(\alpha - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right) - \beta^m \left(\beta - \frac{1}{\beta} \right) \right] \\ &= -\frac{\alpha^m - \beta^m}{\alpha - \beta} = -B_m \end{aligned}$$

The proof of (b) is similar. \square

Lemma 2. For every natural number m and n , the following identities hold.

$$(a) \quad B_{n+m} B_{n+m+1} = 6 \sum_{i=1}^m (-1)^{i+m} B_{n+i}^2 + (-1)^m B_n B_{n+1}$$

$$(b) \quad C_{n+m} C_{n+m+1} = 6 \sum_{i=1}^m (-1)^{i+m} C_{n+i}^2 + (-1)^m C_n C_{n+1}$$

Proof. We prove (a) only. The proof of (b) is similar. Our proof is based on mathematical induction on m . Since

$$B_{n+1} B_{n+2} = B_{n+1} (6B_{n+1} - B_n) = 6B_{n+1}^2 - B_n B_{n+1},$$

the identity holds for $m = 1$. Assume that the identity holds for every natural number $m \leq k$. That is,

$$B_{n+k} B_{n+k+1} = 6 \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i+k} B_{n+i}^2 + (-1)^k B_n B_{n+1}.$$

It is sufficient to show that the identity holds for $m = k + 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} B_{n+k+1} B_{n+k+2} &= 6B_{n+k+1}^2 - B_{n+k} B_{n+k+1} \\ &= 6B_{n+k+1}^2 - \left[6 \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i+k} B_{n+i}^2 + (-1)^k B_n B_{n+1} \right] \\ &= 6 \left[B_{n+k+1}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^k (-1)^{i+k} B_{n+i}^2 \right] + (-1)^{k+1} B_n B_{n+1} \\ &= 6 \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{i+k+1} B_{n+i}^2 + (-1)^{k+1} B_n B_{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$

\square

The following is the main result of Frontczak (2016):

Lemma 3. Let $g(x)$ and $h(x)$ be real functions of one variable and let $h(x)$ be composite with $h(x) = h(g(x)) < 1$.

a) Define $H(x)$ by

$$H(x) = \frac{h(g(x)) - h(g(x+1))}{1 - h(g(x))h(g(x+1))}$$

Then we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^k \tanh^{-1} H(n) = \tanh^{-1} h(g(1)) - \tanh^{-1} h(g(k+1))$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tanh^{-1} H(n) = \tanh^{-1} h(g(1)) - \lim_{k+1 \rightarrow \infty} \tanh^{-1} h(g(k+1))$$

b) Define $H^*(x)$ by

$$H^*(x) = \frac{h(g(x)) + h(g(x+1))}{1 + h(g(x))h(g(x+1))}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^k (-1)^{n+1} \tanh^{-1} H^*(n) &= \tanh^{-1} h(g(1)) \\ &\quad + (-1)^{k+1} \tanh^{-1} h(g(k+1)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \tanh^{-1} H^*(n) &= \tanh^{-1} h(g(1)) \\ &\quad + \lim_{k+1 \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^{k+1} \tanh^{-1} h(g(k+1)) \end{aligned}$$

Infinite product identities

Theorem 1. For $q, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ the following infinite product identities hold.

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + B_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} - B_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}} \quad (14)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^{2q-1}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{C_{(2n-1)2k}}{B_{(2n-1)2k}}$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2n(2k+2q-1)} + B_{2n(2q-1)}}{B_{2n(2k+2q-1)} - B_{2n(2q-1)}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^{2q-1}} \prod_{k=1}^{2q-1} \frac{C_{2nk}}{B_{2nk}} \quad (15)$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{4n(k+q)} + B_{4nq}}{B_{4n(k+q)} - B_{4nq}} = \frac{1}{8^q} \prod_{k=1}^{2q} \frac{C_{2nk}}{B_{2nk}} \quad (16)$$

and

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q)} + B_{(2n-1)2q}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q)} - B_{(2n-1)2q}} = \frac{1}{8^q} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)} C_{(2n-1)2k}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)} B_{(2n-1)2k}} \quad (17)$$

Proof. Taking $f(k) = \tanh^{-1}(\alpha^{-2pk})$ in (4) and using (12) and (1), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{B_{pm}}{B_{p(2k+m)}} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^m \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha^{2pk}} \right]$$

Converting the infinite sum identity to infinite product identity and employing the identities (7)-(10), we have

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{p(2k+m)} + B_{pm}}{B_{p(2k+m)} - B_{pm}} = \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{C_{2pk} + 1}{\sqrt{8} B_{2pk}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^m} \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{C_{pk}}{B_{pk}} \quad (18)$$

Now, setting $p = 2n - 1$ and $m = 2q - 1$ in (18) and using (6), we have

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + B_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} - B_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^{2q-1}} \prod_{k=1}^{2q-1} \frac{C_{(2n-1)k}}{B_{(2n-1)k}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^{2q-1}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{C_{(2n-1)2k}}{B_{(2n-1)2k}}$$

which proves (14).

Setting $p = 2n$ and $m = 2q - 1$ in (18), it is easy to get (15). Similarly, Setting $p = 2n$ and $m = 2q$ in (18) proves (16). Further, $p = 2n - 1$ and $m = 2q$ in (18) proves (17). \square

Theorem 2. For $q, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ the following infinite product identities hold.

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{4n(2k+q-1)} + B_{4nq}}{B_{4n(2k+q-1)} - B_{4nq}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^q} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{2n(2k-1)}}{B_{2n(2k-1)}} \quad (19)$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(4n-2)(2k+q-1)} + B_{(2n-1)2q}}{B_{(4n-2)(2k+q-1)} - B_{(2n-1)2q}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^q} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}} \quad (20)$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + B_{(2n-1)2q}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} - B_{(2n-1)2q}} = \frac{1}{8^q} \prod_{k=1}^{2q} \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)} + 1}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}} \quad (21)$$

and

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2(2n-1)(k+q-1)} + B_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}}{B_{2(2n-1)(k+q-1)} - B_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{8})^{2q-1}} \prod_{k=1}^{2q-1} \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)} + 1}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}} \quad (22)$$

Proof. Taking $f(k) = \tanh^{-1}(\alpha^{-p(2k-1)})$ in (4) and using (12) and (1), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{B_{pm}}{B_{p(2k+m-1)}} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^m \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha^{p(2k-1)}} \right]$$

Converting the infinite sum identity to infinite product identity, we have

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{p(2k+m-1)} + B_{pm}}{B_{p(2k+m-1)} - B_{pm}} = \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{\alpha^{p(2k-1)} + 1}{\alpha^{p(2k-1)} - 1} \quad (23)$$

Using (6)-(10) in (23) for appropriate choice of p and m , the proof of (19)-(22) follows. \square

Theorem 3. For $q, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ the following infinite product identities hold.

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{4n(k+q)} + (-1)^{k-1} B_{4nq}}{B_{4n(k+q)} + (-1)^k B_{4nq}} = \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{2n(2k-1)} B_{4nk}}{B_{2n(2k-1)} C_{4nk}} \quad (24)$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q)} + (-1)^{k-1} B_{(2n-1)2q}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k B_{(2n-1)2q}} = \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)} B_{(2n-1)2k}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)} C_{(2n-1)2k}} \quad (25)$$

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} C_{2n(2q-1)}}{C_{2n(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k C_{2n(2q-1)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{2n(2k-1)}}{B_{2n(2k-1)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{B_{4nk}}{C_{4nk}} \quad (26)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} C_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}}{C_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k C_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k-1)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{B_{(2n-1)2k}}{C_{(2n-1)2k}} \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Proof. Taking $f(k) = \tanh^{-1}(\alpha^{-2pk})$ in (5), setting $m = 2q$ and using (12) and (1) we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{B_{2pq}}{B_{p(2k+2q)}} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^{2q} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha^{2pk}} \right]$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{p(2k+2q)} + (-1)^{k-1} B_{2pq}}{B_{p(2k+2q)} + (-1)^k B_{2pq}} &= \prod_{k=1}^{2q} \frac{\alpha^{2pk} + (-1)^{k-1}}{\alpha^{2pk} + (-1)^k} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{\alpha^{2p(2k-1)} + 1}{\alpha^{2p(2k-1)} - 1} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{\alpha^{4pk} - 1}{\alpha^{4pk} + 1} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{\sqrt{8} B_{2p(2k-1)}}{C_{2p(2k-1)} - 1} \frac{\sqrt{8} B_{4pk}}{C_{4pk} + 1} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{p(2k-1)} B_{2pk}}{B_{p(2k-1)} C_{2pk}} \end{aligned}$$

Setting $p = 2n$ and $p = 2n - 1$ above, proof of (24) and (25) follows respectively.

Taking $f(k) = \tanh^{-1}(\alpha^{-2pk})$ in (5), setting $m = 2q - 1$ and using (11) and (1) we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{C_{p(2q-1)}}{C_{p(2k+2q-1)}} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^{2q-1} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha^{2pk}} \right]$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{p(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} C_{p(2q-1)}}{C_{p(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k C_{p(2q-1)}} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^{2q-1} \frac{\alpha^{2pk} + (-1)^{k-1}}{\alpha^{2pk} + (-1)^k} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{\alpha^{2p(2k-1)} + 1}{\alpha^{2p(2k-1)} - 1} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{\alpha^{4pk} - 1}{\alpha^{4pk} + 1} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{\sqrt{8} B_{2p(2k-1)}}{C_{2p(2k-1)} - 1} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{\sqrt{8} B_{4pk}}{C_{4pk} + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{p(2k-1)}}{B_{p(2k-1)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{B_{2pk}}{C_{2pk}} \end{aligned}$$

Setting $p = 2n$ and $p = 2n - 1$ above, proof of (26) and (27) follows respectively. \square

Theorem 4. For $q, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ the following infinite product identities hold.

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{4n(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} B_{8nq}}{B_{4n(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k B_{8nq}} = \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{2n(4k-3)} B_{2n(4k-1)}}{B_{2n(4k-3)} C_{2n(4k-1)}} \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(4n-2)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} B_{(2n-1)4q}}{B_{(4n-2)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k B_{(2n-1)4q}} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(4k-3)} B_{(2n-1)(4k-1)}}{B_{(2n-1)(4k-3)} C_{(2n-1)(4k-1)}} \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} B_{(2n-1)2q}}{B_{(2n-1)(2k+2q-1)} + (-1)^k B_{(2n-1)2q}} \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{(C_{(2n-1)(4k-3)} + 1) B_{(2n-1)(4k-1)}}{(C_{(2n-1)(4k-1)} + 1) B_{(2n-1)(4k-3)}} \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{8n(k+q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} C_{4n(2q-1)}}{C_{8n(k+q-1)} + (-1)^k C_{4n(2q-1)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{2n(4k-3)}}{B_{2n(4k-3)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{B_{2n(4k-1)}}{C_{2n(4k-1)}} \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{(8n-4)(k+q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} C_{(4n-2)(2q-1)}}{C_{(8n-4)(k+q-1)} + (-1)^k C_{(4n-2)(2q-1)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{C_{(2n-1)(4k-3)}}{B_{(2n-1)(4k-3)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(4k-1)}}{C_{(2n-1)(4k-1)}} \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{(4n-2)(k+q-1)} + (-1)^{k-1} C_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}}{C_{(4n-2)(k+q-1)} + (-1)^k C_{(2n-1)(2q-1)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \prod_{k=1}^q \frac{(C_{(2n-1)(4k-3)} + 1)}{B_{(2n-1)(4k-3)}} \prod_{k=1}^{q-1} \frac{B_{(2n-1)(4k-1)}}{(C_{(2n-1)(4k-1)} + 1)} \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Proof. Taking $f(k) = \tanh^{-1}(\alpha^{-p(2k-1)})$ in (5), setting $m = 2q$ and using (12) and (1), we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{B_{2pq}}{B_{p(2k+2q-1)}} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^{2q} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha^{p(2k-1)}} \right] \quad (34)$$

Proof of the identities (28)-(30) follows from (34).

Taking $f(k) = \tanh^{-1}(\alpha^{-p(2k-1)})$ in (5), setting $m = 2q - 1$ and using (11) and (1) we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{C_{p(2q-1)}}{C_{2p(k+q-1)}} \right] = \sum_{k=1}^{2q-1} (-1)^{k-1} \tanh^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\alpha^{p(2k-1)}} \right] \quad (35)$$

Proof of (31)-(33) follows from (35). \square

Theorem 5. *If p, j, t and m are natural numbers, then the following identities are true for balancing numbers.*

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^2 B_{pn+j}^m B_{p(n+1)+j}^m - 1 + t(B_{p(n+1)+j}^m - B_{pn+j}^m)}{t^2 B_{pn+j}^m B_{p(n+1)+j}^m - 1 - t(B_{p(n+1)+j}^m - B_{pn+j}^m)} = \frac{tB_{p+j}^m + 1}{tB_{p+j}^m - 1},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{t^2 B_{pn+j}^m B_{p(n+1)+j}^m + 1 + (-1)^{n+1} t(B_{p(n+1)+j}^m + B_{pn+j}^m)}{t^2 B_{pn+j}^m B_{p(n+1)+j}^m + 1 - (-1)^{n+1} t(B_{p(n+1)+j}^m + B_{pn+j}^m)} \\ = \frac{tB_{p+j}^m + 1}{tB_{p+j}^m - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Replacing B_n by C_n , two such identities can be obtained for the Lucas-balancing numbers.

Proof. Taking $g(n) = B_{pn+j}$ and $h(x) = \frac{1}{tx^m}$ in Lemma 3, we have

$$H(n) = \frac{t(B_{p(n+1)+j}^m - B_{pn+j}^m)}{t^2 B_{pn+j}^m B_{p(n+1)+j}^m - 1}$$

and

$$H^*(n) = \frac{t(B_{p(n+1)+j}^m + B_{pn+j}^m)}{t^2 B_{pn+j}^m B_{p(n+1)+j}^m + 1}.$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^k \tanh^{-1} H(n) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{tB_{p+j}^m + 1}{tB_{p+j}^m - 1} \cdot \frac{tB_{p(k+1)+j}^m + 1}{tB_{p(k+1)+j}^m - 1} \right),$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^k (-1)^{n+1} \tanh^{-1} H^*(n) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{tB_{p+j}^m + 1}{tB_{p+j}^m - 1} \cdot \frac{tB_{p(k+1)+j}^m + (-1)^{k+1}}{tB_{p(k+1)+j}^m - (-1)^{k+1}} \right),$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tanh^{-1} H(n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} \tanh^{-1} H^*(n) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{tB_{p+j}^m + 1}{tB_{p+j}^m - 1} \right).$$

Converting the infinite sum identity to infinite product identity, the result follows immediately. \square

Corollary 1. *Putting $p = 2, t = m = 1$ in Theorem 5, we have*

$$\frac{B_{j+2} + 1}{B_{j+2} - 1} = \begin{cases} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2n+j+1}^2 - 2 + 2C_{2n+j+1}}{B_{2n+j+1}^2 - 2 - 2C_{2n+j+1}} \\ \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2n+j+1} + 6(-1)^{n+1}}{B_{2n+j+1} - 6(-1)^{n+1}} \\ \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n+j+1}^2 - 17 + 16C_{2n+j+1}}{C_{2n+j+1}^2 - 17 - 16C_{2n+j+1}} \\ \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n+j+1}^2 - 1 + 48(-1)^{n+1} B_{2n+j+1}}{C_{2n+j+1}^2 - 1 - 48(-1)^{n+1} B_{2n+j+1}} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\frac{C_{j+2} + 1}{C_{j+2} - 1} = \begin{cases} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n+j+1}^2 + 7 + 16B_{2n+j+1}}{C_{2n+j+1}^2 + 7 - 16B_{2n+j+1}} \\ \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{2n+j+1}^2 + 9 + 6(-1)^{n+1} C_{2n+j+1}}{C_{2n+j+1}^2 + 9 - 6(-1)^{n+1} C_{2n+j+1}} \\ \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2n+j+1}^2 + 1 + 2B_{2n+j+1}}{B_{2n+j+1}^2 + 1 - 2B_{2n+j+1}} \\ \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4B_{2n+j+1}^2 + 5 + 3(-1)^{n+1} C_{2n+j+1}}{4B_{2n+j+1}^2 + 5 - 3(-1)^{n+1} C_{2n+j+1}}. \end{cases}$$

Theorem 6. *If $\alpha = 3 + \sqrt{8}$ and $m, j \in \mathbb{N}$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{6m^2 \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+j} B_{n+i}^2 + ((-1)^j m^2 - 1) B_n B_{n+1} - mB_j}{6m^2 \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+j} B_{n+i}^2 + ((-1)^j m^2 - 1) B_n B_{n+1} + mB_j} \\ = \frac{mB_{j+1} + 1}{mB_{j+1} - 1} \cdot \frac{m\alpha^j + 1}{m\alpha^j - 1} \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{6m^2 \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+j} C_{n+i}^2 + ((-1)^j m^2 - 1) C_n C_{n+1} + 8mB_j}{6m^2 \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+j} C_{n+i}^2 + ((-1)^j m^2 - 1) C_n C_{n+1} - 8mB_j} \\ = \frac{mC_{j+1} + 1}{mC_{j+1} - 1} \cdot \frac{m\alpha^j + 1}{m\alpha^j - 1} \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Proof. Let $g(n) = \frac{B_n}{B_{n+j}}$ and $h(x) = \frac{x}{m}$ and observe that, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n+1) = \alpha^{-j}$. From Lemma 3, we have

$$H(n) = \frac{m(B_n B_{n+j+1} - B_{n+1} B_{n+j})}{m^2 B_{n+j} B_{n+j+1} - B_n B_{n+1}}.$$

Applying Lemma 1 to the numerator and lemma 2 to the denominator of $H(n)$, it is easy to have

$$H(n) = \frac{-mB_j}{6m^2 \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+j} B_{n+i}^2 + ((-1)^j m^2 - 1) B_n B_{n+1}}$$

Hence,

$$\sum_{n=1}^k \tanh^{-1} H(n) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{mB_{j+1} + 1}{mB_{j+1} - 1} \cdot \frac{mB_{j+k+1} - B_{k+1}}{mB_{j+k+1} + B_{k+1}} \right)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tanh^{-1} H(n) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{mB_{j+1} + 1}{mB_{j+1} - 1} \cdot \frac{m\alpha^j - 1}{m\alpha^j + 1} \right).$$

Converting the infinite sum identity to infinite product identity, (36) can be obtained directly. Taking $g(n) = \frac{C_n}{C_{n+j}}$ and $h(x) = \frac{x}{m}$ in Lemma 3, applying Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 we have

$$H(n) = \frac{8mB_j}{6m^2 \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+j} C_{n+i}^2 + ((-1)^j m^2 - 1) C_n C_{n+1}}$$

and (37) can be obtained similarly. \square

Theorem 7. *The following product identity holds for every natural number m and j .*

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{C_{mn+j} C_{m(n+1)+j} - B_{mn+j} B_{m(n+1)+j} - B_m}{C_{mn+j} C_{m(n+1)+j} - B_{mn+j} B_{m(n+1)+j} + B_m} \\ = \frac{C_{m+j} + B_{m+j}}{C_{m+j} - B_{m+j}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{8} - 1}{\sqrt{8} + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $g(n) = \frac{B_{mn+j}}{C_{mn+j}}$, $h(x) = x$ and observe that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(n+1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}$. From Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} H(n) &= \frac{B_{mn+j} C_{m(n+1)+j} - C_{mn+j} B_{m(n+1)+j}}{C_{mn+j} C_{m(n+1)+j} - B_{mn+j} B_{m(n+1)+j}} \\ &= \frac{-B_m}{C_{mn+j} C_{m(n+1)+j} - B_{mn+j} B_{m(n+1)+j}} \end{aligned}$$

and the proof is similar to that of the above theorem. \square

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