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## CONGRUENCES FOR FIBONACCI NUMBERS

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### 1. Basic properties of Fibonacci numbers.

The Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_n\}$  was introduced by Italian mathematician Leonardo Fibonacci (1175-1250) in 1202. For integers  $n$ ,  $\{F_n\}$  is defined by

$$F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1, F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1} \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots).$$

The first few Fibonacci numbers are shown below:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccccccccccc} n : & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 \\ F_n : & 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 8 & 13 & 21 & 34 & 55 & 89 & 144 & 233 & 377 & 610 \end{array}$$

The companion of Fibonacci numbers is the Lucas sequence  $\{L_n\}$  given by

$$L_0 = 2, L_1 = 1, L_{n+1} = L_n + L_{n-1} \quad (n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots).$$

It is easily seen that

$$(1.1) \quad F_{-n} = (-1)^{n-1} F_n, \quad L_{-n} = (-1)^n L_n$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad L_n = F_{n+1} + F_{n-1}, \quad F_n = \frac{1}{5}(L_{n+1} + L_{n-1}).$$

Using induction one can easily prove the following Binet's formulas (see [D],[R2]):

$$(1.3) \quad F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left( \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right\},$$

$$(1.4) \quad L_n = \left( \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \left( \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n.$$

In 2001 Z.H.Sun[S5] announced a general identity for Lucas sequences. Putting  $a_1 = a_2 = -1$ ,  $U_n = F_n$  and  $U'_n = F_n$  or  $L_n$  in the identity (4.2) of [S5] we get the following two identities, which involve many known results.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $k, m, n, s$  be integers with  $m \geq 0$ . Then*

$$(1.5) \quad F_s^m F_{km+n} = \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} F_k^j F_{k-s}^{m-j} F_{js+n}$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad F_s^m L_{km+n} = \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} F_k^j F_{k-s}^{m-j} L_{js+n}.$$

Proof. Let  $x = (1 + \sqrt{5})/2$  and  $y = (1 - \sqrt{5})/2$ . Then  $x + y = 1$ ,  $xy = -1$  and  $F_r = (x^r - y^r)/(x - y)$ . Thus applying the binomial theorem we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} F_k^j F_{k-s}^{m-j} F_{js+n} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} \left( \frac{x^k - y^k}{x - y} \right)^j \left( \frac{x^{k-s} - y^{k-s}}{x - y} \right)^{m-j} \cdot \frac{x^{js+n} - y^{js+n}}{x - y} \\ &= \frac{1}{(x - y)^{m+1}} \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (x^{js+n} - y^{js+n}) (x^k - y^k)^j (x^s y^k - x^k y^s)^{m-j} \\ &= \frac{1}{(x - y)^{m+1}} \left\{ x^n \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (x^{k+s} - x^s y^k)^j (x^s y^k - x^k y^s)^{m-j} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - y^n \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (x^k y^s - y^{k+s})^j (x^s y^k - x^k y^s)^{m-j} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{(x - y)^{m+1}} \{ x^n (x^{k+s} - x^k y^s)^m - y^n (x^s y^k - y^{k+s})^m \} \\ &= \frac{1}{(x - y)^{m+1}} (x^n \cdot x^{km} - y^n \cdot y^{km}) (x^s - y^s)^m = \left( \frac{x^s - y^s}{x - y} \right)^m \cdot \frac{x^{km+n} - y^{km+n}}{x - y} \\ &= F_s^m F_{km+n}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves (1.5).

As for (1.6), noting that  $L_r = F_r + 2F_{r-1}$  and then applying (1.5) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} F_k^j F_{k-s}^{m-j} L_{js+n} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} F_k^j F_{k-s}^{m-j} F_{js+n} + 2 \sum_{j=0}^m \binom{m}{j} (-1)^{(s-1)(m-j)} F_k^j F_{k-s}^{m-j} F_{js+n-1} \\ &= F_s^m F_{km+n} + 2F_s^m F_{km+n-1} = F_s^m L_{km+n}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

In the special case  $s = 1$  and  $n = 0$ , (1.5) is due to H.Siebeck ([D,p.394]), and the general case  $s = 1$  of (1.5) is due to Z.W.Sun.

Taking  $m = 1$  in (1.5) and (1.6) we get

$$(1.7) \quad F_s F_{k+n} = F_k F_{n+s} - (-1)^s F_{k-s} F_n, \quad F_s L_{k+n} = F_k L_{n+s} - (-1)^s F_{k-s} L_n.$$

From this we have the following well-known results (see [D],[R1] and [R2]):

$$(1.8) \quad (\text{Catalan}) \quad F_{k+n} F_{k-n} = F_k^2 - (-1)^{k-n} F_n^2,$$

$$(1.9) \quad F_{2n} = F_n L_n, \quad F_{2n+1} = F_n^2 + F_{n+1}^2, \quad L_{2n} = L_n^2 - 2(-1)^n.$$

Putting  $n = 1$  in (1.8) we find  $F_{k-1} F_{k+1} - F_k^2 = (-1)^k$  and so  $F_{k-1}$  is prime to  $F_k$ .

For  $m \geq 1$  it follows from (1.5) that

$$(1.10) \quad F_s^m F_{km+n} \equiv (-1)^{(s-1)m} F_{k-s}^m F_n + (-1)^{(s-1)(m-1)} m F_k F_{k-s}^{m-1} F_{n+s} \pmod{F_k^2}.$$

So

$$(1.11) \quad F_{km+n} \equiv F_{k-1}^m F_n + m F_k F_{k-1}^{m-1} F_{n+1} \pmod{F_k^2}$$

and hence

$$(1.12) \quad F_{km} \equiv m F_k F_{k-1}^{m-1} \pmod{F_k^2}.$$

Let  $(a, b)$  be the greatest common divisor of  $a$  and  $b$ . From the above we see that

$$(F_{km+n}, F_k) = (F_{k-1}^m F_n, F_k) = (F_k, F_n).$$

From this and Euclid's algorithm for finding the greatest common divisor of two given numbers, we have the following beautiful result due to E.Lucas (see [D] and [R1]).

**Theorem 1.2 (Lucas' theorem).** *Let  $m$  and  $n$  be positive integers. Then*

$$(F_m, F_n) = F_{(m,n)}.$$

**Corollary 1.1.** *If  $m$  and  $n$  are positive integers with  $m \neq 2$ , then*

$$F_m \mid F_n \iff m \mid n.$$

Proof. From Lucas' theorem we derive that

$$m \mid n \iff (m, n) = m \iff F_{(m,n)} = F_m \iff (F_m, F_n) = F_m \iff F_m \mid F_n.$$

## 2. Congruences for $F_p$ and $F_{p\pm 1}$ modulo $p$ .

Let  $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right)$  be the Legendre symbol of  $a$  and  $p$ . For  $p \neq 2, 5$ , using quadratic reciprocity law we see that

$$\left(\frac{5}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{5}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{5}, \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

From [D] and [R1] we have the following well-known congruences.

**Theorem 2.1(Legendre,Lagrange).** *Let  $p$  be an odd prime. Then*

$$L_p \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad F_p \equiv \left(\frac{p}{5}\right) \pmod{p}.$$

Proof. Since

$$\binom{p}{k} k! = p(p-1) \cdots (p-k+1) \equiv 0 \pmod{p},$$

we see that  $p \mid \binom{p}{k}$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ . From this and (1.4) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} L_p &= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^p + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^p \\ &= \frac{1}{2^p} \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} \left((\sqrt{5})^k + (-\sqrt{5})^k\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} \sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ 2|k}}^p \binom{p}{k} 5^{\frac{k}{2}} \equiv \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, by using (1.3) and Euler's criterion we get

$$\begin{aligned} F_p &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left\{ \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^p - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^p \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5} \cdot 2^p} \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} \left((\sqrt{5})^k - (-\sqrt{5})^k\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{p-1}} \sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ 2 \nmid k}}^p \binom{p}{k} 5^{\frac{k-1}{2}} \equiv 5^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{5}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{5}\right) \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the theorem.

**Theorem 2.2(Legendre,Lagrange).** *Let  $p$  be an odd prime. Then*

$$F_{p-1} \equiv \frac{1 - \left(\frac{p}{5}\right)}{2} \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad F_{p+1} \equiv \frac{1 + \left(\frac{p}{5}\right)}{2} \pmod{p}.$$

Proof. From (1.2) we see that

$$L_p = F_{p+1} + F_{p-1} = F_p + 2F_{p-1} = 2F_{p+1} - F_p.$$

Thus

$$F_{p-1} = \frac{L_p - F_p}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad F_{p+1} = \frac{L_p + F_p}{2}.$$

This together with Theorem 2.1 yields the result.

**Corollary 2.1.** *Let  $p$  be a prime. Then  $p \mid F_{p-\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)}$ .*

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $p > 3$  be a prime, and let  $q$  be a prime divisor of  $F_p$ . Then*

$$q \equiv \left(\frac{q}{5}\right) \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}.$$

Proof. From Corollary 2.1 we know that  $q \mid F_{q-\left(\frac{q}{5}\right)}$ . Thus  $q \mid (F_{q-\left(\frac{q}{5}\right)}, F_p)$ . Applying Lucas' theorem we get  $q \mid F_{(p, q-\left(\frac{q}{5}\right))}$ . Hence  $(p, q - \left(\frac{q}{5}\right)) = p$  and so  $p \mid q - \left(\frac{q}{5}\right)$ .

Since  $p > 3$  is a prime, by Corollary 1.1 we have  $F_3 \nmid F_p$  and hence  $F_p$  and  $q$  are odd. By (1.9) we have  $F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}^2 + F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}^2 = F_p \equiv 0 \pmod{q}$ . Observing that  $(F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}, F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}) = 1$  we get  $q \nmid F_{\frac{p+1}{2}} F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}$ . Hence  $(F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}/F_{\frac{p-1}{2}})^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{q}$  and so  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . This finishes the proof.

### 3. Lucas' law of repetition.

For any integer  $k$ , using (1.3) and (1.4) one can easily prove the following well-known identity:

$$(3.1) \quad L_k^2 - 5F_k^2 = 4(-1)^k.$$

From (3.1) we see that  $(L_k, F_k) = 1$  or  $2$ .

Let  $k, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $k \neq 0$ . Putting  $s = -k$  in (1.7) and then applying (1.1) we find

$$(-1)^{k-1} F_k F_{k+n} = F_k F_{n-k} - (-1)^k F_{2k} F_n.$$

Since  $F_{2k} = F_k L_k$  and  $F_k \neq 0$  we see that

$$(3.2) \quad F_{k+n} = L_k F_n + (-1)^{k-1} F_{n-k}.$$

This identity is due to E.Lucas ([D]).

Using (3.2) we can prove

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $k$  and  $n$  be integers with  $k \neq 0$ . Then*

$$\frac{F_{kn}}{F_k} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{km}(2m+1) \pmod{5F_k^2} & \text{if } n = 2m+1, \\ (-1)^{k(m-1)} m L_k \pmod{5F_k^2} & \text{if } n = 2m. \end{cases}$$

Proof. By (1.1) we have  $F_{-kn} = (-1)^{kn-1}F_{kn}$ . From this we see that it suffices to prove the result for  $n \geq 0$ . Clearly the result is true for  $n = 0, 1$ . Now suppose  $n \geq 2$  and the result is true for all positive integers less than  $n$ . From (3.2) we see that  $F_{kn} = L_k F_{(n-1)k} + (-1)^{k-1} F_{(n-2)k}$ . Since  $L_k^2 = 5F_k^2 + 4(-1)^k \equiv 4(-1)^k \pmod{5F_k^2}$  by (3.1), using the inductive hypothesis we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F_{kn}}{F_k} &= L_k \frac{F_{(n-1)k}}{F_k} + (-1)^{k-1} \frac{F_{(n-2)k}}{F_k} \\ &\equiv \begin{cases} L_k \cdot (-1)^{k(m-1)} m L_k + (-1)^{k-1} \cdot (-1)^{k(m-1)} (2m-1) \\ \quad \equiv (-1)^{km} (2m+1) \pmod{5F_k^2} & \text{if } n = 2m+1, \\ L_k \cdot (-1)^{k(m-1)} (2m-1) + (-1)^{k-1} \cdot (-1)^{km} (m-1) L_k \\ \quad = (-1)^{k(m-1)} m L_k \pmod{5F_k^2} & \text{if } n = 2m. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

This shows that the result is true for  $n$ . So the theorem is proved by induction.

Clearly Theorem 3.1 is much better than (1.12).

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $k \neq 0$  be an integer, and let  $p$  be an odd prime divisor of  $F_k$ . Then*

$$\frac{F_{kp}}{F_k} \equiv p \pmod{5p^2}.$$

Proof. Since  $p \mid F_k$  we see that  $5p^2 \mid 5F_k^2$ . So, by Theorem 3.1 we get

$$\frac{F_{kp}}{F_k} \equiv (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{2}k} p \pmod{5p^2}.$$

Since  $L_k^2 = 5F_k^2 + 4(-1)^k \equiv 4(-1)^k \pmod{p}$  we see that  $2 \mid k$  if  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . So  $\frac{p-1}{2}k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and hence  $F_{kp}/F_k \equiv p \pmod{5p^2}$ .

For prime  $p$  and integer  $n \neq 0$  let  $\text{ord}_p n$  be the order of  $n$  at  $p$ . That is,  $p^{\text{ord}_p n} \mid n$  but  $p^{\text{ord}_p n + 1} \nmid n$ . From Corollary 3.1 we have

**Theorem 3.2 (Lucas' law of repetition ([D],[R2])).** *Let  $k$  and  $m$  be nonzero integers. If  $p$  is an odd prime divisor of  $F_k$ , then*

$$\text{ord}_p F_{km} = \text{ord}_p F_k + \text{ord}_p m.$$

Proof. Write  $m = p^\alpha m_0$  with  $p \nmid m_0$ . Then  $\text{ord}_p m = \alpha$ . Since  $p \mid F_k$  we have  $p \nmid L_k$  by (3.1). Thus using Theorem 3.1 we see that  $F_{km_0}/F_k \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Observing that

$$\frac{F_{km}}{F_k} = \frac{F_{km_0}}{F_k} \cdot \prod_{s=1}^{\alpha} \frac{F_{p^s m_0 k}}{F_{p^{s-1} m_0 k}}$$

and  $\text{ord}_p(F_{p^s m_0 k}/F_{p^{s-1} m_0 k}) = p$  by Corollary 3.1, we then get  $\text{ord}_p(F_{km}/F_k) = \alpha$ . This yields the result.

**Definition 3.1.** For positive integer  $m$  let  $r(m)$  denote the least positive integer  $n$  such that  $m \mid F_n$ . We call  $r(m)$  the rank of appearance of  $m$  in the Fibonacci sequence.

From Theorem 1.2 we have the following well-known result (see [D],[R1],[R2]).

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $m$  and  $n$  be positive integers. Then  $m \mid F_n$  if and only if  $r(m) \mid n$ .

Proof. From Theorem 1.2 and the definition of  $r(m)$  we see that

$$\begin{aligned} m \mid F_n &\iff m \mid (F_n, F_{r(m)}) \iff m \mid F_{(n, r(m))} \\ &\iff (n, r(m)) = r(m) \iff r(m) \mid n. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the lemma.

If  $p \neq 2, 5$  is a prime,  $p^\beta \mid F_{r(p)}$  and  $p^{\beta+1} \nmid F_{r(p)}$ , then clearly  $r(p^\alpha) = r(p)$  for  $\alpha \leq \beta$ . When  $\alpha > \beta$ , from Theorem 3.2 and Lemma 3.1 we see that  $r(p^\alpha) = p^{\alpha-\beta}r(p)$ . This is the original form of Lucas' law of repetition given by Lucas ([D]).

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $p \neq 2, 5$  is a prime such that  $p \mid F_m$ , then  $\text{ord}_p F_m = \text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})} + \text{ord}_p m$ .

Proof. Since  $p \mid F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})}$  by Corollary 2.1, using Lemma 3.1 we see that  $r(p) \mid p - (\frac{p}{5})$  and  $r(p) \mid m$ . From Theorem 3.2 we know that

$$\text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})} = \text{ord}_p F_{r(p)} + \text{ord}_p \left( \frac{p - (\frac{p}{5})}{r(p)} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{ord}_p F_m = \text{ord}_p F_{r(p)} + \text{ord}_p \left( \frac{m}{r(p)} \right).$$

Since  $p \nmid p - (\frac{p}{5})$  and so  $p \nmid r(p)$  we obtain the desired result.

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $p \neq 2, 5$  is a prime such that  $p \mid L_m$ , then  $\text{ord}_p L_m = \text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})} + \text{ord}_p m$ .

Proof. Since  $F_{2m} = F_m L_m$  and  $(F_m, L_m) \mid 2$  we see that  $p \nmid F_m$  and  $p \mid F_{2m}$ . Thus applying Theorem 3.3 we have

$$\text{ord}_p L_m = \text{ord}_p F_{2m} = \text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})} + \text{ord}_p(2m) = \text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})} + \text{ord}_p m.$$

This is the result.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $\{S_n\}$  be given by  $S_1 = 3$  and  $S_{n+1} = S_n^2 - 2(n \geq 1)$ . If  $p$  is a prime divisor of  $S_n$ , then  $p^\alpha \mid S_n$  if and only if  $p^\alpha \mid F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})}$ .

Proof. Clearly  $2 \nmid S_n$  and  $5 \nmid S_n$ . Thus  $p \neq 2, 5$ . From (1.9) we see that  $S_n = L_{2^n}$ . Thus by Corollary 3.2 we have

$$\text{ord}_p S_n = \text{ord}_p L_{2^n} = \text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})} + \text{ord}_p 2^n = \text{ord}_p F_{p - (\frac{p}{5})}.$$

This yields the result.

We note that if  $p$  is a prime divisor of  $S_n$ , then  $p \equiv (\frac{p}{5}) \pmod{2^{n+1}}$ . This is because  $r(p) = 2^{n+1}$  and  $r(p) \mid p - (\frac{p}{5})$ .

#### 4. Congruences for the Fibonacci quotient $F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}/p \pmod{p}$ .

From now on let  $[x]$  be the greatest integer not exceeding  $x$  and  $q_p(a) = (a^{p-1} - 1)/p$ . For prime  $p > 5$ , it follows from Corollary 2.1 that  $F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}/p \in \mathbb{Z}$ . So the next natural problem is to determine the so-called Fibonacci quotient  $F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}/p \pmod{p}$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $p$  be a prime greater than 5. Then*

- (1) (Z.H.Sun and Z.W.Sun[SS],1992)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv -2 \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \equiv 2p \pmod{5}}}^{p-1} \frac{1}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (2) (H.C.Williams[W2], 1991)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv \frac{2}{5} \sum_{\frac{p}{5} < k < \frac{2p}{5}} \frac{1}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (3) (Z.H.Sun[S2],1995)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv \frac{2}{5} \sum_{1 \leq k < \frac{2p}{5}} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (4) (H.C.Williams[W1], 1982)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv -\frac{2}{5} \sum_{1 \leq k < \frac{4p}{5}} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (5) (Z.H.Sun[S2],1995)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv \frac{2}{5} \sum_{\frac{p}{5} < k < \frac{p}{3}} \frac{(-1)^k}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (6) (Z.H.Sun[S2],1995)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv 6 \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \equiv 4p \pmod{15}}}^{p-1} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} - 6 \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \equiv 5p \pmod{15}}}^{p-1} \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (7) (Z.H.Sun[S2],1995)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv -\frac{4}{3} \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \equiv 2p, 3p \pmod{10}}}^{p-1} \frac{1}{k} \equiv \frac{2}{15} \sum_{\frac{p}{10} < k < \frac{3p}{10}} \frac{1}{k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (8) (Z.H.Sun[S1],1992) *If  $r \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $r \equiv 3p \pmod{5}$ , then*

$$\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv \frac{2}{5} q_p(2) + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{\frac{p-5-2r}{10}} \frac{(-1)^{5k+r}}{5k+r} \pmod{p}.$$

- (9) (Z.H.Sun[S2],1995)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv \frac{4}{5} ((-1)^{[p/5]} \binom{p-1}{[p/5]} - 1)/p - q_p(5) \pmod{p}$ .
- (10) (Z.H.Sun[S4],2001)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv q_p(5) - 2q_p(2) - \sum_{k=1}^{(p-1)/2} \frac{1}{k \cdot 5^k} \pmod{p}$ .
- (11) (Z.H.Sun[S4],2001)  $\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \equiv -\frac{1}{5} (2q_p(2) + \sum_{k=1}^{(p-1)/2} \frac{5^k}{k}) \pmod{p}$ .

We remark that Theorem 4.1(11) can also be deduced from P.Bruckman's result ([Br]).

**Theorem 4.2 (A.Granville,Z.W.Sun[GS],1996).** *Let  $\{B_n(x)\}$  be the Bernoulli poly-*



nomials. If  $p$  is a prime greater than 5, then

$$\begin{aligned} B_{p-1}\left(\frac{1}{5}\right) - B_{p-1} &\equiv \frac{5}{4}q_p(5) + \frac{5}{4}\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \pmod{p}, \\ B_{p-1}\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) - B_{p-1} &\equiv \frac{5}{4}q_p(5) - \frac{5}{4}\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \pmod{p}, \\ B_{p-1}\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) - B_{p-1} &\equiv \frac{5}{4}q_p(5) + 2q_p(2) + \frac{15}{4}\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \pmod{p}, \\ B_{p-1}\left(\frac{3}{10}\right) - B_{p-1} &\equiv \frac{5}{4}q_p(5) + 2q_p(2) - \frac{15}{4}\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)\frac{F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}}{p} \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

### 5. Wall-Sun-Sun prime.

Using Theorem 4.1(1) and H.S.Vandiver's result in 1914, Z.H.Sun and Z.W.Sun[SS] revealed the connection between Fibonacci numbers and Fermat's last theorem.

**Theorem 5.1(Z.H.Sun, Z.W.Sun[SS],1992).** *Let  $p > 5$  be a prime. If there are integers  $x, y, z$  such that  $x^p + y^p = z^p$  and  $p \nmid xyz$ , then  $p^2 \mid F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}$ .*

On the basis of this result, mathematicians introduced the so-called Wall-Sun-Sun primes ([CDP]).

**Definition 5.1.** *If  $p$  is a prime such that  $p^2 \mid F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}$ , then  $p$  is called a Wall-Sun-Sun prime.*

Up to now, no Wall-Sun-Sun primes are known. R. McIntosh showed that any Wall-Sun-Sun prime should be greater than  $10^{14}$ . See the web pages:

<http://primes.utm.edu/glossary/page.php?sort=WallSunSunPrime>,

[http://en2.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wall-Sun-Sun\\_prime](http://en2.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wall-Sun-Sun_prime).

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $p > 5$  be a prime. Then  $p$  is a Wall-Sun-Sun prime if and only if  $L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} \equiv 2\left(\frac{p}{5}\right) \pmod{p^4}$ .*

Proof. From (1.2), Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 we see that

$$(5.1) \quad L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} = 2F_p - \left(\frac{p}{5}\right) F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} \equiv 2\left(\frac{p}{5}\right) \pmod{p}$$

and so that  $L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} \not\equiv -2\left(\frac{p}{5}\right) \pmod{p}$ . Since  $L_n^2 - 5F_n^2 = 4(-1)^n$  by (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} p^2 \mid F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} &\iff p^4 \mid F_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}^2 \iff L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})}^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{p^4} \\ &\iff p^4 \mid \left(L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} - 2\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)\right) \left(L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} + 2\left(\frac{p}{5}\right)\right) \\ &\iff p^4 \mid L_{p-(\frac{p}{5})} - 2\left(\frac{p}{5}\right). \end{aligned}$$

This is the result.

From Theorem 3.3 we have

**Theorem 5.3.** *Let  $m$  be a positive integer. If  $p \neq 2, 5$  is a prime such that  $p \mid F_m$ , then  $p$  is a Wall-Sun-Sun prime if and only if  $\text{ord}_p F_m \geq \text{ord}_p m + 2$ .*

From Theorem 3.4 we have

**Theorem 5.4.** *Let  $\{S_n\}$  be given by  $S_1 = 3$  and  $S_{n+1} = S_n^2 - 2(n \geq 1)$ . If  $p$  is a prime divisor of  $S_n$ , then  $p^2 \mid S_n$  if and only if  $p$  is a Wall-Sun-Sun prime.*

According to Theorem 5.4 and R. McIntosh's search result we see that any square prime factor of  $S_n$  should be greater than  $10^{14}$ .

## 6. Congruences for $F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}$ and $F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}$ modulo $p$ .

For prime  $p > 5$ , it looks very difficult to determine  $F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}$  and  $F_{\frac{p+1}{2}} \pmod{p}$ . Anyway, the congruences were established by Z.H.Sun and Z.W.Sun[SS] in 1992. They deduced the desired congruences from the following interesting formulas.

**Lemma 6.1 (Z.H.Sun and Z.W.Sun[SS],1992).** *Let  $p > 0$  be odd, and  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then*

$$\sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \equiv r \pmod{10}}}^p \binom{p}{k} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10}(2^p + L_{p+1} + 5^{\frac{p+3}{4}} F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{10}, \\ \frac{1}{10}(2^p - L_{p-1} + 5^{\frac{p+3}{4}} F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 2 \pmod{10}, \\ \frac{1}{10}(2^p - L_{p-1} - 5^{\frac{p+3}{4}} F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 4 \pmod{10}, \\ \frac{1}{10}(2^p + L_{p+1} - 5^{\frac{p+3}{4}} F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 6 \pmod{10}. \end{cases}$$

(2) *If  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then*

$$\sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \equiv r \pmod{10}}}^p \binom{p}{k} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{10}(2^p + L_{p+1} + 5^{\frac{p+1}{4}} L_{\frac{p+1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{10}, \\ \frac{1}{10}(2^p - L_{p-1} + 5^{\frac{p+1}{4}} L_{\frac{p-1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 2 \pmod{10}, \\ \frac{1}{10}(2^p - L_{p-1} - 5^{\frac{p+1}{4}} L_{\frac{p-1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 4 \pmod{10}, \\ \frac{1}{10}(2^p + L_{p+1} - 5^{\frac{p+1}{4}} L_{\frac{p+1}{2}}) & \text{if } r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 6 \pmod{10}. \end{cases}$$

(3) *If  $r \equiv \frac{p-1}{2} + 8 \pmod{10}$ , then*

$$\sum_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \equiv r \pmod{10}}}^p \binom{p}{k} = \frac{1}{10}(2^p - 2L_p).$$

Lemma 6.1 was rediscovered by F.T.Howard and R.Witt[HW] in 1998.

If  $p$  is an odd prime, then  $p \mid \binom{p}{k}$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ . So, using Lemma 6.1 we can determine  $F_{\frac{p-1}{2}}$  and  $F_{\frac{p+1}{2}} \pmod{p}$ .

**Theorem 6.1 (Z.H.Sun, Z.W.Sun [SS], 1992).** *Let  $p \neq 2, 5$  be a prime. Then*

$$F_{\frac{p-(\frac{p}{5})}{2}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ 2(-1)^{[\frac{p+5}{10}]} (\frac{p}{5}) 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

and

$$F_{\frac{p+(\frac{p}{5})}{2}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{[\frac{p+5}{10}]} (\frac{p}{5}) 5^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ (-1)^{[\frac{p+5}{10}]} 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

In 2003, Z.H.Sun ([S6]) gave another proof of Theorem 6.1. Since  $L_n = 2F_{n+1} - F_n = 2F_{n-1} + F_n$ , by Theorem 6.1 one may deduce the congruences for  $L_{\frac{p\pm 1}{2}} \pmod{p}$ .

**Theorem 6.2 (Z.H.Sun [S8, Corollary 4.7]).** *Let  $p \equiv 3, 7 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and hence  $2p = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Suppose  $4 \mid x - y$ . Then*

$$F_{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad L_{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p}.$$

## 7. Congruences for $F_{(p-(\frac{p}{3}))/3} \pmod{p}$ .

Let  $p > 5$  be a prime. It is clear that

$$\left(\frac{-15}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{-3}{p}\right)\left(\frac{5}{p}\right) = \left(\frac{p}{3}\right)\left(\frac{p}{5}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 2, 4, 8 \pmod{15}, \\ -1 & \text{if } p \equiv 7, 11, 13, 14 \pmod{15}. \end{cases}$$

Using the theory of cubic residues, Z.H.Sun [S3] proved the following result.

**Theorem 7.1 (Z.H.Sun [S3], 1998).** *Let  $p$  be an odd prime.*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1, 4 \pmod{15}$  and so  $p = x^2 + 15y^2$  for some integers  $x, y$ . Then*

$$F_{\frac{p-1}{3}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \\ \mp \frac{x}{5y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv \pm x \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

and

$$L_{\frac{p-1}{3}} \equiv \begin{cases} 2 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \\ -1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

(2) *If  $p \equiv 2, 8 \pmod{15}$  and so  $p = 5x^2 + 3y^2$  for some integers  $x, y$ . Then*

$$F_{\frac{p+1}{3}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \\ \pm \frac{x}{y} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv \pm x \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

and

$$L_{\frac{p+1}{3}} \equiv \begin{cases} -2 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv 0 \pmod{3}, \\ 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 7.2.** *Let  $p$  be an odd prime such that  $p \equiv 7, 11, 13, 14 \pmod{15}$ . Then  $x \equiv F_{(p-\frac{p}{3})/3} \pmod{p}$  is the unique solution of the cubic congruence  $5x^3 + 3x - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ , and  $x \equiv L_{(p-\frac{p}{3})/3} \pmod{p}$  is the unique solution of the cubic congruence  $x^3 - 3x + 3(\frac{p}{3}) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ .*

Proof. Since  $(\frac{-15}{p}) = 1$  and  $(-1)^{(p-\frac{p}{3})/6} = (\frac{3}{p})$ , by taking  $a = -1$  and  $b = 1$  in [S7, Corollary 2.1] we find

$$F_{(p-\frac{p}{3})/3} \equiv -\frac{t}{5} \pmod{p} \quad \text{and} \quad L_{(p-\frac{p}{3})/3} \equiv -(\frac{p}{3})y \pmod{p},$$

where  $t$  is the unique solution of the congruence  $t^3 + 15t + 25 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ , and  $y$  is the unique solution of the congruence  $y^3 - 3y - 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ . Now setting  $t = -5x$  and  $y = -(\frac{p}{3})x$  yields the result.

Using Theorem 7.1 Z.H.Sun proved

**Theorem 7.3 (Z.H.Sun[S3],1998).** *Let  $p > 5$  be a prime.*

(1) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{3}} &\iff p = x^2 + 135y^2 \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}), \\ p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{6}} &\iff p = x^2 + 540y^2 \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}). \end{aligned}$$

(2) *If  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} p \mid F_{\frac{p+1}{3}} &\iff p = 5x^2 + 27y^2 \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}), \\ p \mid F_{\frac{p+1}{6}} &\iff p = 5x^2 + 108y^2 \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}). \end{aligned}$$

In 1974, using cyclotomic numbers E.Lehmer[L2] proved that if  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  is a prime, then  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{3}}$  if and only if  $p$  is represented by  $x^2 + 135y^2$ .

## 8. Congruences for $F_{(p-\frac{p}{3})/4}$ modulo $p$ .

**Theorem 8.1 (E.Lehmer[L1],1966).** *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  be a prime, and  $p = a^2 + b^2$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $2 \mid b$ .*

- (i) *If  $p \equiv 1, 29 \pmod{40}$ , then  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \iff 5 \mid b$ ;*
- (ii) *If  $p \equiv 9, 21 \pmod{40}$ , then  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \iff 5 \mid a$ .*

**Theorem 8.2.** *Let  $p$  be a prime greater than 5.*

(i) (E.Lehmer[L2], 1974) *If  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \iff p = x^2 + 80y^2 \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

(ii) (Z.H.Sun,Z.W.Sun[SS], 1992) *If  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , then*

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \iff p = 16x^2 + 5y^2 \quad (x, y \in \mathbb{Z}).$$

**Theorem 8.3** ([S9, Corollary 6.4]). *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p}{8} \rfloor} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p}{8} \rfloor} (x/y)^{\frac{p-5}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5} \end{cases}$$

and

$$L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 0 \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \nmid xy, \\ \mp 2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{8} \rfloor} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm 2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{8} \rfloor} (x/y)^{\frac{p-1}{4}} \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid xy \text{ and } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 8.4** ([S9, Theorem 6.5]). *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $C, D, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $x = 2^\alpha x_0$ ,  $y = 2^\beta y_0$  and  $x_0 \equiv y_0 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .*

(i) *If  $2 \mid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then*

$$p \mid L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2 \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p}.$$

(ii) *If  $2 \nmid x$  and  $x \equiv \pm C, \pm 3C \pmod{5}$ , then*

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \quad \text{and} \quad L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \pm 2 \left( \frac{x}{5} \right) \pmod{p}.$$

For  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $m = 2^\alpha m_0 (2 \nmid m_0)$  we say that  $2^\alpha \parallel m$  and  $m_0$  is the odd part of  $m$ .

**Conjecture 8.1** ([S9, Conjecture 9.4 (with  $b = 1$ )]). *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  with  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and all the odd parts of  $d, x, y$  are of the form  $4k + 1$ . If  $4 \nmid xy$ , then*

$$F_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-1)^{\frac{d}{4}} \frac{2y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel x, \\ \frac{2dy}{cx} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 2 \parallel y. \end{cases}$$

If  $4 \mid xy$ , then

$$L_{\frac{p-1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 2(-1)^{\frac{d}{4} + \frac{y}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid y, \\ 2(-1)^{\frac{x}{4}} \frac{c}{d} \pmod{p} & \text{if } 4 \mid x. \end{cases}$$

Conjecture 8.1 has been checked for all primes  $p < 20,000$ .

**Conjecture 8.2 (Z.H.Sun[S6]).** *Let  $p \equiv 3, 7 \pmod{20}$  be a prime, and hence  $2p = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Then*

$$F_{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{10} \rfloor} \cdot 10^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}, \\ -2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{10} \rfloor} \cdot 10^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \not\equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Since  $F_{\frac{p+1}{4}} L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} = F_{\frac{p+1}{2}}$ , from Theorem 6.1 we see that Conjecture 8.2 is equivalent to

$$(8.1) \quad L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} (-2)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}, \\ -(-2)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \pmod{p} & \text{if } y \not\equiv \pm \frac{p-1}{2} \pmod{8}. \end{cases}$$

Z.H.Sun has checked (8.1) for all primes  $p < 3000$ .

As

$$2\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} = L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} + F_{\frac{p+1}{4}}\sqrt{5},$$

by the conjecture we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + \sqrt{5})^{\frac{p+1}{4}} &= 2^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \left( L_{\frac{p+1}{4}} + F_{\frac{p+1}{4}}\sqrt{5} \right) \\ &\equiv \left( \frac{2}{\frac{p-1}{2}y} \right) 2^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \left( (-2)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} + 2(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{10} \rfloor} \cdot 10^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{\frac{p-1}{2}y} \right) \left( (-1)^{\frac{p+1}{4}} 2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} + (-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{10} \rfloor} 2^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \cdot 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \right) \\ &\equiv \left( \frac{2}{\frac{p-1}{2}y} \right) \left( 1 + (-1)^{\lfloor \frac{p-5}{10} \rfloor} \left( \frac{2}{p} \right) 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \right) \pmod{p}. \end{aligned}$$

From this we deduce the following conjecture equivalent to Conjecture 8.2.

**Conjecture 8.2'.** *Let  $p \equiv 3, 7 \pmod{20}$  be a prime and so  $2p = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some integers  $x$  and  $y$ . Then*

$$(-1)^{\frac{y^2-1}{8}} (1 + \sqrt{5})^{\frac{p+1}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 + 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 3, 47 \pmod{80}, \\ -1 - 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 7, 43 \pmod{80}, \\ 1 - 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 63, 67 \pmod{80}, \\ -1 + 5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \sqrt{5} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 23, 27 \pmod{80}. \end{cases}$$

**Remark 8.1** In 2009 Constantin-Nicolae Beli[B] proved Conjecture 8.2 using class field theory. Thus Conjecture 8.2' is also true. According to [S8, Corollary 4.7], if  $4 \mid x - y$ , we have

$$5^{\frac{p-3}{4}} \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 3 \pmod{20}, \\ -\frac{y}{x} \pmod{p} & \text{if } p \equiv 7 \pmod{20}. \end{cases}$$

## 9. Criteria for $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}}$ .

**Theorem 9.1** ([S9, Corollary 6.6]). *Let  $p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{40}$  be a prime and hence  $p = c^2 + d^2 = x^2 + 5y^2$  for some  $c, d, x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose  $c \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then*

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}} \iff 2 \nmid x \text{ and } (-5)^{\frac{p-1}{8}} \equiv \begin{cases} \pm 1 \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm c \pmod{5}, \\ \pm \frac{d}{c} \pmod{p} & \text{if } x \equiv \pm d \pmod{5}, \end{cases}$$

where  $x$  is chosen so that  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

**Theorem 9.2** ([S9, Corollary 6.9]). *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$  be a prime and hence  $p = C^2 + 2D^2$  with  $C, D \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $C \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Then  $p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}}$  if and only if  $p = x^2 + 5y^2$  with  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and*

$$x \equiv \begin{cases} C, 3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{80}, \\ -C, -3C \pmod{5} & \text{if } p \equiv 41, 49 \pmod{80}. \end{cases}$$

**Conjecture 9.1** (E.Lehmer[L2],1974). *Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{16}$  be a prime, and  $p = x^2 + 80y^2 = a^2 + 16b^2$  for some integers  $x, y, a, b$ . Then*

$$p \mid F_{\frac{p-1}{8}} \iff y \equiv b \pmod{2}.$$

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