

## BI-PERIODIC BALANCING NUMBERS

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**Abstract.** *In this paper, we introduce a new generalization of the balancing numbers which we call bi-periodic balancing numbers as*

$$b_n = \begin{cases} 6cb_{n-1} - b_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 6db_{n-1} - b_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, n \geq 2$$

*with initial conditions  $b_0 = 0, b_1 = 1$ . We find the generating function for this sequence and produce a Binet's formula.*

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

There are many studies on integer sequences such as Fibonacci, Lucas, Jacobsthal and their applications [1-4]. Another well-known sequence is balancing numbers which satisfies the recurrence relation

$$b_n = 6b_{n-1} - b_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2$$

with initial conditions  $b_0 = 0, b_1 = 1$ . Balancing numbers was firstly mentioned by Behera and Panda in [5]. Moreover, many researchers worked on balancing numbers and its applications [6-8].

In many studies, authors worked on the generalizations of integer sequences in different ways. Among these studies, the most interesting generalization is bi-periodic Fibonacci sequence which was produced by Edson and Yayenie [9]. The bi-periodic Fibonacci sequence was defined as

$$q_n = \begin{cases} aq_{n-1} - q_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ bq_{n-1} - q_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, n \geq 2$$

with initial conditions  $q_0 = 0, q_1 = 1$ . Then, the generating function for the bi-periodic Fibonacci sequence was obtained as

$$F(x) = \frac{x(1 + ax - x^2)}{1 - (ab + 2)x^2 + x^4}.$$

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Moreover, the authors gave the Binet formula for the bi-periodic Fibonacci sequence as

$$q_m = \left( \frac{\alpha^{1-\xi(m)}}{(ab)^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}} \right) \left( \frac{\alpha^m - \beta^m}{\alpha - \beta} \right)$$

where  $\lfloor a \rfloor$  is the floor function of  $a$  and  $\xi(m) = m - 2 \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor$  is the parity function and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of quadratic equation

$$x^2 - abx - ab = 0.$$

In view of this generalization, Yayenie [10] made some studies on bi-periodic fibonacci sequence and Bilgici [11] defined the bi-periodic Lucas sequence and obtained some identities using the Binet formula of the bi-periodic Lucas sequence. Also, Tasci and Kizilirmak worked on the periods of bi-periodic Fibonacci and bi-periodic Lucas numbers in [12]. Lastly, Uygun and Owusu defined the bi-periodic Jacobsthal sequence with the similar way [13].

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Definition 2.1.** For any two non-zero real numbers  $c$  and  $d$ , the bi-periodic balancing numbers  $\{b_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is defined recursively by

$$b_0 = 0, b_1 = 1, b_n = \begin{cases} 6cb_{n-1} - b_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 6db_{n-1} - b_{n-2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, n \geq 2.$$

When  $c = d = 1$ , we have the classic balancing numbers. If we set  $d = k$ , for any positive number, we get the  $k$ -balancing numbers. The first five elements of the bi-periodic balancing numbers are

$$b_0 = 0, b_1 = 1, b_2 = 6c, b_3 = 36cd - 1, b_4 = 216c^2d - 12c.$$

The quadratic equation for the bi-periodic balancing numbers is defined as

$$x^2 - 36cdx + 36cd = 0$$

with the roots

$$\alpha = 18cd + 6\sqrt{9c^2d^2 - cd} \text{ and } \beta = 18cd - 6\sqrt{9c^2d^2 - cd}. \quad (2.1)$$

**Lemma 2.2.** The bi-periodic balancing numbers  $\{b_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  satisfies the following properties:

$$b_{2n} = (36cd - 2)b_{2n-2} - b_{2n-4}$$

$$b_{2n+1} = (36cd - 2)b_{2n-1} - b_{2n-3}.$$

*Proof.* Using the recurrence relation for the bi-periodic balancing numbers we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} b_{2n} &= 6cb_{2n-1} - b_{2n-2} \\ &= 6c(6db_{2n-2} - b_{2n-3}) - b_{2n-2} \\ &= (36cd - 1)b_{2n-2} - 6cb_{2n-3} \\ &= (36cd - 1)b_{2n-2} - (b_{2n-2} + b_{2n-4}) \\ &= (36cd - 2)b_{2n-2} - b_{2n-4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{2n+1} &= 6db_{2n} - b_{2n-1} \\ &= 6d(6cb_{2n-1} - b_{2n-2}) - b_{2n-1} \\ &= (36cd - 1)b_{2n-1} - 6db_{2n-2} \\ &= (36cd - 1)b_{2n-2} - (b_{2n-1} + b_{2n-3}) \\ &= (36cd - 2)b_{2n-1} - b_{2n-3}. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.3.** The roots  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  defined in (2.1) satisfies the following properties:

$$(\alpha - 1)(\beta - 1) = 1$$

$$\alpha\beta = 36cd \quad \alpha + \beta = 36cd$$

$$\alpha - 1 = \frac{\alpha^2}{36cd} \quad 6\beta - 1 = \frac{\beta^2}{36cd}$$

$$(\alpha - 1)\beta = \alpha \quad (\beta - 1)\alpha = \beta$$

*Proof.* By using the definitions of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  defined in (2.1), the properties can easily be proved.

**Theorem 2.4.** The generating function for the bi-periodic balancing numbers  $\{b_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is

$$B(x) = \frac{x(1 + 6cx + x^2)}{1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4}.$$

*Proof.* The formal power series representation of the generating function for  $\{b_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is

$$B(x) = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \cdots + b_r x^r + \cdots = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} b_m x^m.$$

By multiplying this series by  $6dx$  and  $x^2$  respectively, we can get the following series;

$$6dx B(x) = 6db_0x + 6db_1x^2 + 6db_2x^3 + \cdots + 6db_r x^{r+1} + \cdots = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 6db_{m-1} x^m$$

and

$$x^2 B(x) = b_0 x^2 + b_1 x^3 + b_2 x^4 + \dots + b_r x^{r+2} + \dots = \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} b_{m-2} x^m.$$

Therefore, we can write

$$(1 - 6dx + x^2)B(x) = b_0 + b_1 x - 6db_0 x + \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} (b_m - 6db_{m-1} + b_{m-2})x^m. \quad (2.2)$$

Since  $b_{2m+1} = 6db_{2m} - b_{2m-1}$  and  $b_0 = 0, b_1 = 1$  equation (2.2) reduces to

$$(1 - 6dx + x^2)B(x) = x + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (b_{2m} - 6db_{2m-1} + b_{2m-2})x^{2m}.$$

Since  $b_{2m} = 6cb_{2m-1} - b_{2m-2}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - 6dx + x^2)B(x) &= x + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} 6(c-d)b_{2m-1}x^{2m} \\ &= x + 6(c-d)x \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_{2m-1}x^{2m-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we define  $b(x)$  as

$$b(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_{2m-1}x^{2m-1}.$$

By applying the same way as above, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4)b(x) &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_{2m-1}x^{2m-1} - (36cd - 2) \sum_{m=2}^{\infty} b_{2m-3}x^{2m-1} + \sum_{m=3}^{\infty} b_{2m-5}x^{2m-1} \\ &= b_1 x + b_3 x^3 - (36cd - 2)b_1 x^3 \\ &\quad + \sum_{m=3}^{\infty} (b_{2m-1} - (36cd - 2)b_{2m-3} + b_{2m-5})x^{2m-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma (2.2) implies that  $b_{2m-1} - (36cd - 2)b_{2m-3} + b_{2m-5} = 0$ , so replacing this in the above expansion gives

$$(1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4)b(x) = x + x^3 + 0.$$

Therefore we hold

$$b(x) = \frac{x + x^3}{(1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4)}.$$

Substituting  $b(x)$  in  $B(x)$  we obtain

$$(1 - 6dx + x^2)B(x) = x + 6(c - d)x \left( \frac{x + x^3}{(1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4)} \right).$$

Simplifying this, we have the generating function for the bi-periodic balancing numbers as

$$B(x) = \frac{x(1 + 6cx + x^2)}{1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4}.$$

**Theorem 2.3.** We can express the terms of the bi-periodic balancing numbers  $\{b_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  by using the Binet formula:

$$b_m = \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(m)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}} \left( \frac{\alpha^m - \beta^m}{\alpha - \beta} \right)$$

where  $\lfloor c \rfloor$  is the floor function of  $c$  and  $\xi(m) = m - 2 \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor$  is the parity function.

*Proof.* We know that the generating function for the bi-periodic balancing numbers  $\{b_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is given by

$$B(x) = \frac{x(1 + 6cx + x^2)}{1 - (36cd - 2)x^2 + x^4}.$$

Using the partial fraction decomposition,  $B(x)$  can be written as

$$B(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \frac{6c(\alpha - 1) + \alpha x}{x^2 - (\alpha - 1)} - \frac{6c(\beta - 1) + \beta x}{x^2 - (\beta - 1)} \right]$$

Since the Maclaurin series expansion of the function

$$\frac{A - Bz}{z^2 - C}$$

is expressed as

$$\frac{A - Bz}{z^2 - C} = \sum_{n=0}^\infty BC^{-n-1}z^{2n+1} - \sum_{n=0}^\infty AC^{-n-1}z^{2n}$$

the generating function  $B(x)$  can be written as

$$B(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{\beta(\alpha - 1)^{m+1} - \alpha(\beta - 1)^{m+1}}{(\alpha - 1)^{m+1}(\beta - 1)^{m+1}} x^{2m+1} \right] + \frac{6c}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{(\beta - 1)(\alpha - 1)^{m+1} - (\alpha - 1)(\beta - 1)^{m+1}}{(\alpha - 1)^{m+1}(\beta - 1)^{m+1}} x^{2m} \right].$$

By using the properties in Lemma 2.3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} B(x) &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{36cd}\right)^{m+1} \left(\frac{\beta\alpha^{2m+2} - \alpha\beta^{2m+2}}{\alpha - \beta}\right) x^{2m+1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} 6c \left(\frac{1}{36cd}\right)^{m+1} \left(\frac{(\beta - 1)\alpha^{2m+2} - (\alpha - 1)\beta^{2m+2}}{\alpha - \beta}\right) x^{2m} \\ &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{36cd}\right)^m \left(\frac{\alpha^{2m+1} - \beta^{2m+1}}{\alpha - \beta}\right) x^{2m+1} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} 6c \left(\frac{1}{36cd}\right)^m \left(\frac{\alpha^{2m} - \beta^{2m}}{\alpha - \beta}\right) x^{2m}. \end{aligned}$$

By the help of the parity function  $\xi(m)$ , the above expansion is simplified as

$$B(x) = \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(m)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^m - \beta^m}{\alpha - \beta}\right) x^m.$$

Therefore, for all  $m \geq 0$ , we get

$$b_m = \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(m)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor}} \left(\frac{\alpha^m - \beta^m}{\alpha - \beta}\right)$$

**Theorem 2.4. (Catalan's Identity)** For any two nonnegative integer  $n$  and  $r$ , with  $r \leq n$ , we have

$$c^{\xi(n-r)} d^{1-\xi(n-r)} b_{n-r} b_{n+r} - c^{\xi(n)} d^{1-\xi(n)} b_n^2 = -c^{\xi(r)} d^{1-\xi(r)} b_r^2.$$

*Proof.* Using the Binet formula, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &c^{\xi(n-r)} d^{1-\xi(n-r)} b_{n-r} b_{n+r} \\ &= c^{\xi(n-r)} d^{1-\xi(n-r)} \left(\frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(n-r)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{n-r}{2} \rfloor}}\right) \left(\frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(n+r)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{n+r}{2} \rfloor}}\right) \frac{\alpha^{n-r} - \beta^{n-r}}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{\alpha^{n+r} - \beta^{n+r}}{\alpha - \beta} \\ &= \left(\frac{(6c)^{2-\xi(n-r)} d^{1-\xi(n-r)}}{(36cd)^{n-\xi(n-r)}}\right) \frac{\alpha^{n-r} - \beta^{n-r}}{\alpha - \beta} \frac{\alpha^{n+r} - \beta^{n+r}}{\alpha - \beta} \\ &= \left(\frac{c}{(36cd)^{n-1}}\right) \left[\frac{\alpha^{2n} - (\alpha\beta)^{n-r}(\alpha^{2r} + \beta^{2r}) + \beta^{2n}}{(\alpha - \beta)^2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} c^{\xi(n)} d^{1-\xi(n)} b_n^2 &= c^{\xi(n)} d^{1-\xi(n)} \left(\frac{(6c)^{2-2\xi(n)}}{(36cd)^{2\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}}\right) \left[\frac{\alpha^{2n} - 2(\alpha\beta)^n + \beta^{2n}}{(\alpha - \beta)^2}\right] \\ &= \left(\frac{c}{(36cd)^{2\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + \xi(n)-1}}\right) \left[\frac{\alpha^{2n} - 2(\alpha\beta)^n + \beta^{2n}}{(\alpha - \beta)^2}\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left( \frac{c}{(36cd)^{n-1}} \right) \left[ \frac{\alpha^{2n} - 2(\alpha\beta)^n + \beta^{2n}}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right].$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & c^{\xi(n-r)} d^{1-\xi(n-r)} b_{n-r} b_{n+r} - c^{\xi(n)} d^{1-\xi(n)} b_n^2 \\ &= \left( \frac{c}{(36cd)^{n-1}} \right) \left[ \frac{2(\alpha\beta)^n - (\alpha\beta)^{n-r} (\alpha^{2r} + \beta^{2r})}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right] \\ &= \left( \frac{-c}{(36cd)^{n-1}} \right) (\alpha\beta)^{n-r} \left[ \frac{\alpha^{2r} - 2\alpha^r \beta^r + \beta^{2r}}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right] \\ &= \left( \frac{-c}{(36cd)^{n-1}} \right) (36cd)^{n-r} \left( \frac{\alpha^r - \beta^r}{\alpha - \beta} \right)^2 \\ &= \left( \frac{-c}{(36cd)^{r-1}} \right) \frac{(36cd)^{2\lfloor \frac{r}{2} \rfloor}}{(6c)^{2-2\xi(r)}} b_r^2 \\ &= -c(6c)^{2\xi(r)-2} (36cd)^{1-\xi(r)} b_r^2 \\ &= -c^{\xi(r)} d^{1-\xi(r)} b_r^2. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.5. (Cassini's Identity)** For any nonnegative integer  $n$ , we have

$$c^{1-\xi(n)} d^{\xi(n)} b_{n-1} b_{n+1} - c^{\xi(n)} d^{1-\xi(n)} b_n^2 = -c.$$

*Proof.* In Catalan's identity, if we take  $r = 1$  we get Cassini's identity.

**Theorem 2.6.** For any two nonnegative integers  $m$  and  $n$  with  $m \geq n$ , we have

$$c^{\xi(mn+m)} d^{\xi(mn+n)} b_m b_{n+1} - c^{\xi(mn+n)} d^{\xi(mn+m)} b_{m+1} b_n = c^{\xi(m-n)} b_{m-n}.$$

*Proof.* We first note that

$$\xi(m+1) + \xi(n) - 2\xi(mn+n) = \xi(m) + \xi(n+1) - 2\xi(mn+m) = 1 - \xi(m-n)$$

and

$$\xi(m-n) = \xi(mn+m) + \xi(mn+n).$$

By using the Binet formula and the above equalities, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & c^{\xi(mn+m)} d^{\xi(mn+n)} b_m b_{n+1} \\ &= \left( \frac{c(cd)^{-n}}{6^{m+n-1} (cd)^{\frac{m-n-\xi(m-n)}{2}}} \right) \left[ \frac{\alpha^{m+n+1} + \beta^{m+n+1} - (\alpha\beta)^n (\beta\alpha^{m-n} + \alpha\beta^{m-n})}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$c^{\xi(mn+n)} d^{\xi(mn+m)} b_{m+1} b_n$$

$$= \left( \frac{c(cd)^{-n}}{6^{m+n-1} (cd)^{\frac{m-n-\xi(m-n)}{2}}} \right) \left[ \frac{\alpha^{m+n+1} + \beta^{m+n+1} - (\alpha\beta)^n (\alpha^{m-n+1} + \beta^{m-n+1})}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$c^{\xi(mn+m)} d^{\xi(mn+n)} b_m b_{n+1} - c^{\xi(mn+n)} d^{\xi(mn+m)} b_{m+1} b_n$$

$$= \left( \frac{c(cd)^{-n}}{6^{m+n-1} (cd)^{\frac{m-n-\xi(m-n)}{2}}} \right) \left[ \frac{-(\alpha\beta)^n (\beta\alpha^{m-n} + \alpha\beta^{m-n} - \alpha^{m-n+1} - \beta^{m-n+1})}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right]$$

$$= - \left( \frac{c(cd)^{-n}}{6^{m+n-1} (cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m-n}{2} \rfloor}} \right) (36cd)^n \left[ \frac{\beta\alpha^{m-n} + \alpha\beta^{m-n} - \alpha^{m-n+1} - \beta^{m-n+1}}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right]$$

$$= - \left( \frac{c}{6^{m-n-1} (cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m-n}{2} \rfloor}} \right) \left[ \frac{\alpha^{m-n} (\beta - \alpha) - \beta^{m-n} (\beta - \alpha)}{(\alpha - \beta)^2} \right]$$

$$= \left( \frac{c}{6^{m-n-1} (cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m-n}{2} \rfloor}} \right) \left( \frac{\alpha^{m-n} - \beta^{m-n}}{\alpha - \beta} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{c}{6^{m-n-1} (cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m-n}{2} \rfloor}} \right) \left( \frac{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{m-n}{2} \rfloor}}{(6c)^{1-\xi(m-n)}} \right) b_{m-n}$$

$$= c^{\xi(m-n)} b_{m-n}.$$

**Theorem 2.7. (Sums Involving Binomial Coefficients)** For any nonnegative integer  $n$ , we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{n-k} (36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} (6c)^{\xi(k)} b_k = b_{2n}$$

and

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{n-k} (36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{k+1}{2} \rfloor} (6c)^{\xi(k+1)-1} b_{k+1} = b_{2n+1}.$$

*Proof.* We first note that, for any integer  $k$

$$6c \frac{\alpha^k - \beta^k}{\alpha - \beta} = (36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} (6c)^{\xi(k)} b_k.$$

Using this equality, we can get



$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{n-k} (36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor} (6c)^{\xi(k)} b_k \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{n-k} 6c \left( \frac{\alpha^k - \beta^k}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \\
&= \frac{6c}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \alpha^k (-1)^{n-k} - \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \beta^k (-1)^{n-k} \right] \\
&= \frac{6c}{\alpha - \beta} [(\alpha - 1)^n - (\beta - 1)^n] \\
&= \frac{6c}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \left( \frac{\alpha^2}{36cd} \right)^n - \left( \frac{\beta^2}{36cd} \right)^n \right] \\
&= \frac{6c}{(36cd)^n} \left( \frac{\alpha^{2n} - \beta^{2n}}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \\
&= b_{2n}.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{n-k} (36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{k+1}{2} \rfloor} (6c)^{\xi(k+1)-1} b_{k+1} \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (-1)^{n-k} \left( \frac{\alpha^{k+1} - \beta^{k+1}}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \alpha \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \alpha^k (-1)^{n-k} - \beta \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \beta^k (-1)^{n-k} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta} [\alpha(\alpha - 1)^n - \beta(\beta - 1)^n] \\
&= \frac{1}{\alpha - \beta} \left[ \alpha \left( \frac{\alpha^2}{36cd} \right)^n - \beta \left( \frac{\beta^2}{36cd} \right)^n \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{(36cd)^n} \left( \frac{\alpha^{2n+1} - \beta^{2n+1}}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \\
&= b_{2n+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.8.** The nonnegative terms of the bi-periodic balancing numbers are defined in terms of the positive terms as

$$b_{-n} = -b_n.$$

*Proof.* By using the Binet formula

$$\begin{aligned}
b_{-n} &= \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(-n)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{-n}{2} \rfloor}} \left( \frac{\alpha^{-n} - \beta^{-n}}{\alpha - \beta} \right) \\
&= \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(n)}}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{-n}{2} \rfloor}} \left( \frac{1/\alpha^n - 1/\beta^n}{\alpha - \beta} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(n)} (\beta^n - \alpha^n)}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{-n}{2} \rfloor} (36cd)^n (\alpha - \beta)} \\
&= \frac{(6c)^{1-\xi(n)} (\beta^n - \alpha^n)}{(36cd)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} (\alpha - \beta)} \\
&= -b_n.
\end{aligned}$$

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