ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF A CERTAIN FAMILY OF FIBONACCI TYPE SEQUENCES

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ABSTRACT. Taking the Fibonacci sequence $G_0 = 1, G_1 = b \in \{1, 3, 5\}$ and $G_{n+1} = 3 \cdot G_n + G_{n-1} \ (n \geq 1)$ with an integer $2 \leq m \in \mathbb{N}$, we get a purely periodic sequence $\{G_n \pmod{m}\}$. Consider any shortest full period and form a frequency block $B_m \in \mathbb{N}^m$ to consist of the frequency values of the residue d when d runs through the complete residue system modulo m. The purpose of this paper is to show that such frequency blocks can nearly always be produced by repetition of some multiple of their first few elements a certain number of times. Theorems 3,4 and 5 contains our main results where we show when this repetition does occur, what elements will be repeated, what is the repetition number and how to calculate the value of the multiple.

Let $A, B \neq 0, G_0 = a, G_1 = b$ with $a^2 + b^2 > 0$ be fixed rational integers, let $D = A^2 \Leftrightarrow 4B^2 \neq 0$ and define the Fibonacci type sequence $\{G_n\} = G(A, B, a, b)$ to satisfy the recurrence relation

$$G_{n+1} = A \cdot G_n \Leftrightarrow B \cdot G_{n-1} \text{ for } n \ge 1.$$

Let $\{U_n\}$ and $\{V_n\}$ be the Fibonacci and the Lucas sequence deriving from $\{G_n\}$ for a = 0, b = 1 and for a = 2, b = A, respectively. Then it is easy to check $G_n = \frac{a}{2}V_n + (b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{2}A) \cdot U_n$. For $r_{1,2} = \frac{A \pm \sqrt{D}}{2}$ the following equations hold

(1)
$$U_n = (r_1^n \Leftrightarrow r_2^n)/(r_1 \Leftrightarrow r_2) \text{ and } V_n = r_1^n + r_2^n,$$

which yield also

$$U_{2k+l} = V_{k+l}U_k + B^k U_l$$
 and $V_{2k+l} = DU_k U_{k+l}$,

whence

(2)
$$V_k^2 = DU_k^2 + 4B^k.$$

We note that in this paper (x, y) and [x, y] will be written instead of gcd(x, y) and lcm(x, y), respectively. Furthermore, $v_{13}(z)$ will denote the greatest power of 13 in the integer z, that means $13^{v_{13}(z)}|z$, but $13^{v_{13}(z)+1} \not|z$.

Now, take $A = 3, B = \Leftrightarrow 1, a = 1, b \in \{1, 3, 5\}$ and $2 \leq m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then (B, m) = 1 and for this reason $\{G_n\}$ is purely periodic modulo m (see Theorem 1 in [1]). Let h(a, b, m) := h(m)

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denote the shortest period of the sequence $\{G_n(\mod m)\}$. Define S(m) to be the set of residue frequencies within any full period of $\{G_n(\mod m)\}$ and let A(m,d) denote the number of times the residue d appears in a full period of $\{G_n(\mod m)\}$. Hence for a fixed m, the range of A(m,d) is the same as the set S(m). We say that $\{G_n\}$ is uniformly distributed modulo m if all residues modulo m occur with the same frequency in any full period. In this case the length of any period will be a multiple of m, moreover |S(m)| = 1and A(m,d) is constant. It is known that $G(3, \Leftrightarrow 1, 1, b)$ with $b \in \{1, 3, 5\}$ is uniformly distributed modulo 13^k for all $k \geq 1$ (see [2]). Thus, $|S(13^k)| = 1, A(13^k, d) = 4$ and then $h(13^k) = H(13^k) = 2 \cdot \sigma \cdot 13^k$ (see Corollaries 5 and 6 and Theorem 7 in [1]), where $H(13^k) = h(0, 1, 13^k)$ and $\sigma = ord_{13}(\Leftrightarrow 1) = 2$ denotes the exact order of $B = \Leftrightarrow 1$ modulo 13, that means $h(13^k) = 4 \cdot 13^k$.

For a fixed *m* form a number block $B_m \in \mathbb{N}^m$ to consist of the frequency values of the residue *d* when *d* runs through the complete residue system modulo *m*. This number block B_m will be called the frequency block modulo *m*, which has properties like $(qB_m)^r = q(B_m)^r$ and $((B_m)^r)^s = (B_m)^{rs}$ with $(B_m)^r := (B_m, ..., B_m)$ and $q, r, s \in \mathbb{N}$. Here are some r times

examples for B_m if we take m = 13c with $2 \le c \in \mathbb{N}$ and $G(3, \Leftrightarrow 1, 1, b)$ with $b \in \{1, 3, 5\}$.

$$B_{2} = (1, 2)$$

$$B_{26} = \underbrace{(4, 8, \dots, 4, 8)}_{13 \text{ times}} = \underbrace{(4B_{2}, \dots, 4B_{2})}_{13 \text{ times}} = (4B_{2})^{13} = 4(B_{2})^{13}$$

$$h(2) = 3, h(26) = 4 \cdot 13 \cdot h(2) = 156$$

$$B_{4} = (1, 3, 1, 1)$$

$$B_{52} = \underbrace{(2, 6, 2, 2, \dots, 2, 6, 2, 2)}_{13 \text{ times}} = \underbrace{(2B_{4}, \dots, 2B_{4})}_{13 \text{ times}} = (2B_{4})^{13} = 2(B_{4})^{13}$$

$$h(4) = 6, \quad h(52) = 2 \cdot 13 \cdot h(4) = 156$$

$$B_{5} = (0, 3, 3, 3, 3, \dots, 0, 3, 3, 3, 3) = \underbrace{(B_{5}, \dots, B_{5})}_{13 \text{ times}} = (B_{5})^{13}$$

$$h(5) = 12, \quad h(65) = 1 \cdot 13 \cdot h(5) = 156$$

$$B_{53} = (0, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, \dots)$$

$$B_{689} = (0, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 2, \dots) \neq (B_{53})^{13}$$

$$h(53) = 26, \quad h(689) = 52 \neq 1 \cdot 13 \cdot h(53)$$

All examples except the last one show a kind of repetition in the frequency blocks, that means such frequency blocks can be produced by repetition of their first few elements a certain number of times. Moreover, the first few repeting elements of B_m are the elements of B_c or some multiple of them. This fact can be expressed by $A(m, y) = q \cdot A(c, x)$ for $0 \le x < c, 0 \le y < m, y \equiv x \pmod{c}$ and $q \in \{1, 2, 4\}$. A similar result in connection with the uniform distribution was found in [3] for the Fibonacci sequence.

The purpose of this paper is to investigate such kind of repetition properties in the frequency blocks of $G(3, \Leftrightarrow 1, 1, b)$ with $b \in \{1, 3, 5\}$ modulo 13c for $2 \leq c \in \mathbb{N}$. The questions to answer at first are when this repetition does occur and how to calculate the value of the factor q. This will be answered in our theorems, but first we prove some necessary lemmas.

Lemma 1. Let $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 < |m \Leftrightarrow n| < h(13) = 52$ and $m \equiv n \pmod{s}$ with 1 < s|4. Then $G_m \not\equiv G_n \pmod{13}$.

Proof. The characteristic polynomial of $\{G_n\}$ is $x^2 \Leftrightarrow 3x \Leftrightarrow 1$ with the roots $r_1 = (3 + \sqrt{13})/2$ and $r_2 = (3 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{13})/2$. Then by the Binet equation $G_n = (r_1^n \Leftrightarrow r_2^n)/(r_1 \Leftrightarrow r_2)$ we have

$$G_n = \frac{2^{-n}}{\sqrt{13}} \left((3 + \sqrt{13})^n \Leftrightarrow (3 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{13})^n \right) = \frac{2^{1-n}}{\sqrt{13}} \sum_{j \text{ odd}}^n \binom{n}{j} \cdot 3^{n-j} \cdot \sqrt{13}^j.$$

Let s = 4 and suppose that m > n, which can be assumed without loss of generality. From $m \equiv n \pmod{4}$ and $0 < m \Leftrightarrow n < 52$ it follows m = n + 4t with $t \in \{1, 2, ..., 12\}$. Thus

$$G_m \Leftrightarrow G_n = \frac{2^{1-m}}{\sqrt{13}} \sum_{j \text{ odd}}^m \binom{m}{j} \cdot 3^{m-j} \cdot \sqrt{13}^j$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{2^{1-n}}{\sqrt{13}} \sum_{j \text{ odd}}^n \binom{n}{j} \cdot 3^{n-j} \cdot \sqrt{13}^j$$
$$= 2^{1-n-4t} \left(\sum_{j \text{ odd}}^{n+4t} \binom{n+4t}{j} \cdot 3^{n+4t-j} \cdot \sqrt{13}^{j-1} \right)$$
$$\Leftrightarrow 2^{4t} \sum_{j \text{ odd}}^n \binom{n}{j} \cdot 3^{n-j} \cdot \sqrt{13}^{j-1} \right),$$

whence

$$2^{n+4t-1}(G_m \Leftrightarrow G_n) = \left(\binom{n+4t}{1} \cdot 3^{n+4t-1} \Leftrightarrow 2^{4t} \binom{n}{1} \cdot 3^{n-1}\right) + 13 \left(\sum_{j=3 \ j \ \text{odd}}^{n+4t} \binom{n+4t}{j} \cdot 3^{n+4t-j} \sqrt{13}^{j-3} \Leftrightarrow 2^{4t} \sum_{j=3 \ j \ \text{odd}}^n \binom{n}{j} \cdot 3^{n-j} \sqrt{13}^{j-3}\right) := K + 13L,$$

where K, L are integers. Now, we state that K is not divisible by 13. The reason for this is $K = (n + 4t) \cdot 3^{n+4t-1} \Leftrightarrow 2^{4t} \cdot n \cdot 3^{n-1} = 3^{n-1}((n + 4t) \cdot 3^{4t} \Leftrightarrow 2^{4t} \cdot n)$ and $3K = 3^n((n + 4t) \cdot 81^t \Leftrightarrow 16^t \cdot n) \equiv 4t \cdot 3^{n+t} \pmod{13}$, whence 13 AK since $t \in \{1, 2, ..., 12\}$, and 13 K is already true. All these yield 13 $K(G_m \Leftrightarrow G_n)$, that is $G_m \not\equiv G_n \pmod{13}$. The remaining case s = 2 can be carried out in a similar way. The above statement could have been proved by comparing the residues of G_m and G_n modulo 13 for all possible values of m and n with m > n, $m \equiv n \pmod{s}$, $0 < m \Leftrightarrow n < 52$ and 1 < s | 4. But this comparing would consist of 312 cases for s = 4, and 650 cases for s = 2. That would be rather boring.

Lemma 2. $v_{13}(U_{13^k}) = k$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Proof. From (1) we generally have

$$2^{l-1} \cdot U_l = \sum_{\mu=0}^{[(l-1)/2]} \binom{l}{2\mu+1} \cdot A^{l-1-2\mu} \cdot D^{\mu},$$

and especially,

(3)
$$2^{13^{k}-1} \cdot U_{13^{k}} = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\left[(13^{k}-1)/2\right]} \binom{13^{k}}{2\mu+1} \cdot 3^{13^{k}-1-2\mu} \cdot 13^{\mu}$$

The right-hand side of (3) is $3^{13^k-1} \cdot 13^k$ for $\mu = 0$, moreover all terms with $\mu \ge 1$ on the same side of (3) are divisible at least by 13^{k+1} . Namely, on the basis of

(4)
$$\begin{pmatrix} 13^k \\ 2\mu + 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{13^k}{2\mu + 1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 13^k \Leftrightarrow 1 \\ 2\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

the preceding statement follows immediately for 13 $/(2\mu + 1)$, if we consider the factor 13^{μ} on the right-hand side of (3). On the other hand, if $j = v_{13}(2\mu + 1)$, then $13^j \leq 2\mu + 1$, and this is why 13 occurs in the sum on the right-hand side of (3) at least to the power $k \Leftrightarrow j + \mu \geq k + 5$. Thus the statement is completely proved.

Lemma 3. $13^k | U_m \Rightarrow 13^k | m$.

Proof. Let $m = 13^{j}c$ and $n = 13^{k}$, where $j \in \{0, ..., k \Leftrightarrow 1\}$ and 13 $\not|c$. Then $d = (m, n) = 13^{j}$. This leads to $(U_m, U_n) = U_{(m,n)} = U_{13^{j}}$ and to $13^{k}|U_n$ using Lemma 2 and the well-known identity $(U_m, U_n) = U_d$. The consequence of all this is $13^{k}|(U_m, U_n) = U_{13^{j}}$, which is a contradiction since k > j.

Theorem 1. If for a fixed $\beta \in \{1, ..., h(13^k)\}$ the number G_β leaves the remainder $\alpha \in \{0, ..., 13^k \Leftrightarrow 1\}$ modulo 13^k , then the numbers $G_{\beta+r\cdot h(13^k)}$ leave the remainders $\alpha + s \cdot 13^k$ modulo 13^{k+1} in a certain ordering, where $r, s \in \{0, ..., 12\}$.

Proof. For $r \in \{0, ..., 12\}$ we obviously have

$$G_{\beta+r\cdot h(13^k)} = \alpha + 13^k \cdot u_r$$

with some $u_r \in \mathbb{Z}$. Assume

(5)
$$0 \le r' < r \le 12 \text{ and } u_{r'} \equiv u_r \pmod{13}.$$

Then

(6)

$$13^{k+1} | (G_{\beta+r \cdot h(13^{k})} \Leftrightarrow G_{\beta+r' \cdot h(13^{k})}) \\ = \frac{a}{2} (V_{\beta+r \cdot h(13^{k})} \Leftrightarrow V_{\beta+r' \cdot h(13^{k})}) \\ + (b \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{2}A) (U_{\beta+r \cdot h(13^{k})} \Leftrightarrow U_{\beta+r' \cdot h(13^{k})}) \\ = \frac{1}{2} U_{2(r-r')13^{k}} \left(13aU_{\beta+2(r+r') \cdot 13^{k}} + (2b \Leftrightarrow Aa)V_{\beta+2(r+r') \cdot 13^{k}} \right) \right).$$

If 13 would divide the term in the brackets of (6), then $13|V_{\beta+2(r+r')\cdot 13^k}$ should be also true. But this is impossible becasue of (2). Thus from (6) we have $13^{k+1}|U_{2(r-r')13^k}$ and this is why $13^{k+1}|2(r \Leftrightarrow r')13^k$, that means $13|r \Leftrightarrow r'$, which contradicts (5).

Theorem 2. For $2 \le c \in \mathbb{N}$, (c, 13) = 1, $v_{13}(h(c)) \le k \Leftrightarrow 1$ and

$$q := \frac{h(13^k c)}{13 \cdot h(13^{k-1} c)}$$

with $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have q|4.

Proof. From (c, 13) = 1 it follows

$$q = \frac{[h(13^k), h(c)]}{13 \cdot [h(13^{k-1}), h(c)]}$$

for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ (see Theorem 2 in [7]). The case k = 1 results from

$$q = \frac{[h(13), h(c)]}{13 \cdot [h(1), h(c)]} = \frac{[52, h(c)]}{13 \cdot h(c)} = \frac{4}{(52, h(c))} = \frac{4}{(4, h(c))}$$

since 13 /h(c) because of $v_{13}(h(c)) = 0$ for k = 1. Hence $q \cdot (4, h(c)) = 4$, that is q|4.

The case k > 1 results from

$$q = \frac{[4 \cdot 13^k, h(c)]}{13 \cdot [4 \cdot 13^{k-1}, h(c)]} = \frac{(4 \cdot 13^{k-1}, h(c))]}{(4 \cdot 13^k, h(c))},$$

whence q = 1 since $v_{13}(h(c)) \le k \Leftrightarrow 1$, thus q|4 is true again.

Corollary 1. For $2 \leq c \in \mathbb{N}$, (c, 13) = 1 and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $q = \frac{h(13^k c)}{13h(13^{k-1}c)}$ is an integer iff $v_{13}(h(c)) \leq k \Leftrightarrow 1$.

The possible cases are as follows:

$$k = 1 \Rightarrow q = \begin{cases} 4 & \text{if } (4, h(c)) = 1 \Leftrightarrow h(c) \text{ is odd} \\ 2 & \text{if } (4, h(c)) = 2 \Leftrightarrow 2|h(c) \land 4 \not| h(c) \\ 1 & \text{if } (4, h(c)) = 4 \Leftrightarrow 4|h(c) \end{cases}$$

 $k > 1 \Rightarrow q = 1.$

Corollary 2. For $2 \le c = 13^r \cdot s \in \mathbb{N} \ 1 \le r, s \in \mathbb{N}$ and (s, 13) = 1, $q = \frac{h(13c)}{13h(c)}$ is an integer iff $v_{13}(h(s)) \le r$. The only possible case is q = 1.

We note that $q \in \{4/13, 2/13, 1/13\}$ for k = 1 and $v_{13}(h(c)) > 0$, moreover q = 1/13 for k > 1 and $v_{13}(h(c)) > k \Leftrightarrow 1$. This happens for example taking $c \in \{53, 79, 157, ...\}$.

Further on we make use of the known fact that the purely periodic property of $\{G_m(mod c)\}$ yields the identity of the values $G_{w+ih(c)}$ modulo c for all $w, j \in \mathbb{N}$ and $2 \leq c \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 3. For $2 \le c \in \mathbb{N}$, (c, 13) = 1, $v_{13}(h(c)) = 0$ and $q = \frac{h(13c)}{13h(c)}$ we have $B_{13c} = q(B_c)^{13}$.

Proof. According to Corollary 1 for k = 1, we have to consider the three cases when $q \in \{1, 2, 4\}$.

Case 1: $q = 1 \Leftrightarrow (4, h(c)) = 4$, that is 4|h(c). Now, h(13c) = 13h(c), and it is to show that for all $w \in \mathbb{N}$ and $j \in \{0, 1, ..., 12\}$, the 13 values of $G_{w+jh(c)}$ are pairwise different modulo 13, and hereby also modulo 13c. Assume $G_{w+j_1h(c)} \equiv G_{w+j_2h(c)}$ (mod 13) for $j_1, j_2 \in \{0, 1, ..., 12\}$ and $0 < |j_1 \Leftrightarrow j_2| < 13$, moreover let k_1 and k_2 denote the values of $G_{w+j_1h(c)}$ respectively reduced modulo 52, that is $0 \le |k_1 \Leftrightarrow k_2| = |j_1 \Leftrightarrow j_2|h(c) < 52$. This gives $G_{k_1} \equiv G_{k_2}$ (mod 13), since h(13) = 52. Now, $0 < |j_1 \Leftrightarrow j_2| < 13$ and $v_{13}(h(c)) = 0$ yield 52 $|j_1 \Leftrightarrow j_2| \cdot h(c)$, whence $k_1 \neq k_2$. From 4|h(c) follows that the values of $w + j_1h(c)$ and $w + j_2h(c)$ are in the same residue class modulo 4, and so are k_1 and k_2 , too. But this contradicts Lemma 1.

Case 2: $q = 2 \Leftrightarrow (4, h(c)) = 2$, that is 2|h(c) but $4 \not| h(c)$. Now h(13c) = 26h(c), and it is to show that for all $w \in \mathbb{N}$ and $j \in \{0, 1, ..., 25\}$, among the 26 values of $G_{w+jh(c)}$ there are at most two ones congruent modulo 13, and hereby also modulo 13c. Assume that there are at least three ones congruent modulo 13, which are $G_{w+j_1h(c)}, G_{w+j_2h(c)}$ and $G_{w+j_3h(c)}$ with $j_1, j_2, j_3 \in \{0, 1, ..., 25\}$ and $0 < |j_1 \Leftrightarrow j_2|, |j_1 \Leftrightarrow j_3|, |j_2 \Leftrightarrow j_3| < 26$. Let k_1, k_2 and k_3 denote the values of $w + j_1h(c), w + j_2h(c)$ and $w + j_3h(c)$ respectively reduced modulo 52. Thus k_1, k_2 and k_3 are pairwise different, and fall into the same residue class modulo 2. This contradicts Lemma 1 again.

Case 3: $q = 4 \Leftrightarrow (4, h(c)) = 1$, that is 2 $/\!\!/h(c)$. Now h(13c) = 52h(c), and it is to show that for all $w \in \mathbb{N}$ and $j \in \{0, 1, ..., 51\}$ among the 52 values of $G_{w+jh(c)}$ with pairwise different indices modulo 52 there are at most four identical ones modulo 13. But this follows from the uniform distribution of the sequence $\{G_n(\mod 13)\}$.

Theorem 4. For $2 \le c = 13^r \cdot s \in \mathbb{N}$, $r \ge 0, s \ge 1, (s, 13) = 1, v_{13}(h(s)) \le r$ and $q = \frac{h(13c)}{13h(c)}$ we have $B_{13c} = q(B_c)^{13}$.

Proof. The case r = 0 leads again to Theorem 3. The case $r \ge 1$ and s = 1 is well known uniform distribution. Then q = 1 and $B_{13r+1} = 1 \cdot (B_{13r})^{13}$ is true (see [2]).

Case $r \ge 1$ and s > 1:

Now q = 1 again and $B_{13^{r+1}s} = 1 \cdot (B_{13^rs})^{13}$ is to prove.

It is to show that for any $w \in \mathbb{N}$ and $j \in \{0, 1, ..., 12\}$ the numbers $G_{w+jh(c)}$ are pairwise

different modulo 13c. Since (s, 13) = 1 and $v_{13}(h(s)) \leq r$ we have

$$h(c) = H(13^{r}s) = [h(13^{r}), h(s)] = h(13^{r}) \cdot \frac{h(s)}{(h(13^{r}), h(s))} = h(13^{r}) \cdot z$$

with some $z \in \mathbb{N}$ and 13 $\not|z$. Hence for any $w \in \mathbb{N}$ and $j \in \{0, ..., 12\}$, the numbers w+jh(c)and $w+jh(13^r)$ are always in the same residue class modulo $h(13^r)$, therefore the numbers $G_{w+jh(c)}$ and $G_{w+jh(13^r)}$ are in the same residue class modulo 13^r , too. But for a fixed $w \in \mathbb{N}$ the numbers $G_{w+jh(13^r)}$ are pairwise different modulo 13^{r+1} because of Theorem 1. Thus the numbers $G_{w+jh(c)}$ are again pairwise different modulo 13^{r+1} , and hereby also modulo 13c.

Theorem 5. For $2 \le c \in \mathbb{N}$, (c, 13) = 1, $v_{13}(h(c)) \le k \Leftrightarrow 1$ and and $q = \frac{h(13^k c)}{13h(13^{k-1}c)}$ with $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have $B_{13^k c} = q(B_{13^{k-1}c})^{13}$.

Proof. We proceed by induction on k.

For k = 1 we get Theorem 3. Assume that the statement is true for all k > 1. Then because of the case k > 1 in Theorem 2 one has to take q = 1. Thus

$$B_{13^{k+1}c} = B_{13(13^{k}c)} = (B_{13^{k}c})^{13} = (q(B_{13^{k-1}c})^{13})^{13}$$
$$= q((B_{13^{k-1}c})^{13})^{13} = q(B_{13^{k}c})^{13}.$$

Corollary 3. For $2 \leq c \in \mathbb{N}$, (c, 13) = 1, $v_{13}(h(c)) \leq k \Leftrightarrow 1$ and and $q = \frac{h(13^k c)}{13h(13^{k-1}c)}$ with $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have $B_{13^k c} = q(B_c)^{13^k}$.

Proof.

$$B_{13^{k}c} = q(B_{13^{k-1}c})^{13} = q(B_{13(13^{k-2}c)})^{13}$$
$$= q(B_{13^{k-2}c})^{13^{2}} = \dots = q(B_{13c})^{13^{k-1}} = q(B_{c})^{13^{k}}.$$

Corollary 4. For $2 \le c \in \mathbb{N}$, (c, 13) = 1, $v_{13}(h(c)) \le k \Leftrightarrow 1$ and $q = \frac{h(13^k c)}{13h(13^{k-1}c)}$ with $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we have $|S(13^k c)| = |S(c)|$, since $q \in \{1, 2, 4\}$.

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