

Fibonacci Numbers

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Summary. We show that Fibonacci commutes with g.c.d.; we then derive the formula connecting the Fibonacci sequence with the roots of the polynomial $x^2 - x - 1$.

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The articles [2], [9], [10], [5], [1], [3], [4], [7], [6], and [8] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

1. FIBONACCI COMMUTES WITH GCD

The following propositions are true:

- (1) For all natural numbers m, n holds $\text{gcd}(m, n) = \text{gcd}(m, n + m)$.
- (2) For all natural numbers k, m, n such that $\text{gcd}(k, m) = 1$ holds $\text{gcd}(k, m \cdot n) = \text{gcd}(k, n)$.
- (3) For every real number s such that $s > 0$ there exists a natural number n such that $n > 0$ and $0 < \frac{1}{n}$ and $\frac{1}{n} \leq s$.

In this article we present several logical schemes. The scheme *Fib Ind* concerns a unary predicate \mathcal{P} , and states that:

For every natural number k holds $\mathcal{P}[k]$

provided the following conditions are met:

- $\mathcal{P}[0]$,
- $\mathcal{P}[1]$, and
- For every natural number k such that $\mathcal{P}[k]$ and $\mathcal{P}[k + 1]$ holds $\mathcal{P}[k + 2]$.

The scheme *Bin Ind* concerns a binary predicate \mathcal{P} , and states that:

For all natural numbers m, n holds $\mathcal{P}[m, n]$

provided the following conditions are satisfied:

- For all natural numbers m, n such that $\mathcal{P}[m, n]$ holds $\mathcal{P}[n, m]$, and
- Let k be a natural number. Suppose that for all natural numbers m, n such that $m < k$ and $n < k$ holds $\mathcal{P}[m, n]$. Let m be a natural number. If $m \leq k$, then $\mathcal{P}[k, m]$.

We now state two propositions:

- (4) For all natural numbers m, n holds $\text{Fib}(m + (n + 1)) = \text{Fib}(n) \cdot \text{Fib}(m) + \text{Fib}(n + 1) \cdot \text{Fib}(m + 1)$.
- (5) For all natural numbers m, n holds $\text{gcd}(\text{Fib}(m), \text{Fib}(n)) = \text{Fib}(\text{gcd}(m, n))$.

2. FIBONACCI NUMBERS AND THE GOLDEN MEAN

We now state the proposition

- (6) Let x, a, b, c be real numbers. Suppose $a \neq 0$ and $\Delta(a, b, c) \geq 0$. Then $a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c = 0$ if and only if $x = \frac{-b - \sqrt{\Delta(a, b, c)}}{2a}$ or $x = \frac{-b + \sqrt{\Delta(a, b, c)}}{2a}$.

The real number τ is defined by:

(Def. 1) $\tau = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$.

The real number $\bar{\tau}$ is defined as follows:

(Def. 2) $\bar{\tau} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$.

Next we state several propositions:

- (7) For every natural number n holds $\text{Fib}(n) = \frac{\tau^n - \bar{\tau}^n}{\sqrt{5}}$.
- (8) For every natural number n holds $|\text{Fib}(n) - \frac{\tau^n}{\sqrt{5}}| < 1$.
- (9) For all sequences F, G of real numbers such that for every natural number n holds $F(n) = G(n)$ holds $F = G$.
- (10) For all sequences f, g, h of real numbers such that g is non-zero holds $(f/g)(g/h) = f/h$.
- (11) For all sequences f, g of real numbers and for every natural number n holds $(f/g)(n) = \frac{f(n)}{g(n)}$ and $(f/g)(n) = f(n) \cdot g(n)^{-1}$.
- (12) Let F be a sequence of real numbers. Suppose that for every natural number n holds $F(n) = \frac{\text{Fib}(n+1)}{\text{Fib}(n)}$. Then F is convergent and $\lim F = \tau$.

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