

We have observed $\frac{F_n}{F_{n-1}} \rightarrow 1.618 = \phi$

Conjecture: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_n}{F_{n-1}} = \phi = 1.618\dots$

Proof: Assume that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_n}{F_{n-1}}$ exists, and let $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_n}{F_{n-1}}$.

Recursive definition: $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$

Divide:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_n}{F_{n-1}} = 1 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_{n-2}}{F_{n-1}}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{F_{n-1}}{F_{n-2}}} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$x = 1 + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$x^2 = x + 1$$

$$x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

Quadratic Formula: $x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(-1)}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$

We know $x > 0$, so $x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = 1.618\dots = \phi$ ■

$$F_n^2 - F_{n+1}F_{n-1} = \underline{(-1)^{n-1}} = (-1)^{n+1}$$

Verification 1: Lists

$n=2$ $F_2^2 - F_3 F_1 = -1$

$n=3$ $F_3^2 - F_4 F_2 = 1$

$n=4$ $F_4^2 - F_5 F_3 = -1$

\vdots

$F_{n-1}^2 - F_n F_{n-2} = (-1)^{n-1}$

fibSquared - fibA * fibB
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fibProduct

Verification 2: modules

Proof: that $F_n^2 - F_{n-1} F_{n+1} = (-1)^{n+1}$

$$F_{n-1} F_{n+1} - F_n^2 = \det \begin{bmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^n = \left(\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)^n = (-1)^n$$

$\leftarrow \cdot (-1)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_3 & F_2 \\ F_2 & F_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

induction: $\begin{bmatrix} F_n & F_{n-1} \\ F_{n-1} & F_{n-2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_n + F_{n-1} & F_n \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}$

example

compute[n_, r_] := Module[...
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Table[compute[n, 2], {n, 1, 100}]

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r=2