

19) We define the sequence f_n of Fibonacci numbers recursively by

$$f_0 = 0, \quad f_1 = 1, \quad f_{n+2} = f_{n+1} + f_n.$$

a) Calculate f_{10} .

b) Show that this recursion is satisfied by the formula

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

That means, you must show that:

1. The formula gives the correct values for f_0 and f_1 .
2. Plug $n + 1$ and $n + 2$ in the formula and evaluate f_{n+1} and f_{n+2} .
3. Show that (with the formulas for f_{n+1} and f_{n+2} you just got) $f_{n+2} = f_{n+1} + f_n$ holds for every n .

20) Consider the sequence $a_n = \frac{5n+2}{n+5}$.

- a) Show that the sequence is monotonically increasing (that is, show that $a_{n+1} > a_n$ for every n).
- b) Show that this sequence a_n is bounded from above.

21) Consider the following sequences. Using increasingly larger values of n , try to determine their limits, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Based on these (and maybe more), can you make a guess on what the limit of a sequence given by a rational function in n should be?

- a) $\frac{3n + 2}{4n - 17}$
- b) $\frac{5n^2 + 7n - 1}{8n^2 + 3n + 1}$
- c) $\frac{5n^3 + 7n - 1}{8n^2 + 3n + 1}$
- d) $\frac{5n^2 + 7n - 1}{8n^3 + 3n + 1}$
- e) $\frac{3n^4 + 5n^3 + 1}{5n^4 + 12n - 7}$

22) Consider the sequence $a_i = \frac{2^{i+1}}{i+3}$. Its first values are

$$1, 8/5, 8/3, 32/7, 8, \dots$$

We want to *reindex* this sequence so that it starts at the value for a_3 , that is we want to define a new sequence $b_i = a_{i+2}$. Give a formula for the value of b_i , depending only on i . Using this formula, calculate b_{20} .

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