

In this assignment, we will explore a few fun properties of the Fibonacci numbers. The Fibonacci numbers are defined by the recursive relation:

$$\begin{aligned}f_0 &= 0, \\f_1 &= 1, \\f_n &= f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} \text{ , for } n \geq 2.\end{aligned}$$

**(22 pts)**

- (1) [+1] What is  $f_{11}$ ?
- (2) [+7] For all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , prove that  $f_n < 2^n$ .
- (3) [+7] For all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n f_k^2 = f_n f_{n+1}.$$

- (4) [+7] For all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k \cdot f_k = n \cdot f_{n+2} - f_{n+3} + 2.$$

- (5) **Bonus.** [+4] Prove that every natural number can be written as the sum of one or more *distinct* Fibonacci numbers. That is, for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there are *distinct*  $k_1, \dots, k_\ell$  with  $n = f_{k_1} + f_{k_2} + \dots + f_{k_\ell}$ . For example,

$$5 = 5 = f_5, \quad 6 = 5 + 1 = f_5 + f_1, \quad 10 = 8 + 2 = f_6 + f_3, \quad 12 = 8 + 3 + 1 = f_6 + f_5 + f_1.$$