

Fibonacci sequence: The fibonacci sequence is a sequence of positive integers defined recursively by $f_0=1, f_1=1, f_2=2, \dots$

$$f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

Q) $\text{gcd}(f_{n+1}, f_n) = 1$

Soln: $f_{n+1} = 1 \cdot f_n + f_{n-1}$

$$f_n = 1 \cdot f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}$$

$$f_{n-1} = 1 \cdot f_{n-2} + f_{n-3}$$

$$f_3 = 1 \cdot f_2 + f_1$$

$$f_2 = 1 \cdot f_1$$

The above steps are nothing but Euclid's algorithm for the gcd of f_{n+1} and f_n . Hence we can conclude that $f_1=1$ is the gcd, hence f_{n+1} and f_n are coprime.

Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

Every positive integer $n > 1$ is either a prime or a product of primes; the representation is unique apart from the order in which the factors occur.

i.e. $n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_r^{e_r}$; where p_i 's are distinct primes.

Proof: clearly existence, we can use

induction on n . clearly the statement is true for $n=2$, as n is a prime anyway. suppose the statement is

true for $n=2, 3, \dots, k$. Now consider

$k+1$. It is either a prime, in which case the statement is true. Theorem is valid.

If $k+1$ is not prime, we have $k+1=ab$, where $1 < a \leq k$ and $1 < b \leq k$. By the

induction hypothesis, we both a and

b can be written as a finite product

of primes, giving us ab as a finite

product of primes too.

Uniqueness: If possible let

$$n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_r^{e_r} = q_1^{f_1} q_2^{f_2} \dots q_k^{f_k}$$

As $p_1 | n$, it divides, it divides $q_1^{e_1} q_2^{e_2} \dots q_k^{e_k}$, and so p_1 divides some prime q_j . We can assume if necessary by reordering the primes q_j , that p_1 divides q_1 . But q_1 is ~~prime~~ a prime itself, hence $p_1 = q_1$. If $e_1 > f_1$, then after cancelling $p_1^{f_1}$ from both sides we will see that $p_1 = q_1$ divides $q_2^{e_2} \dots q_k^{e_k}$, which will imply that the prime q_1 divides some other prime $q_j \neq q_1$, which is not possible. ~~Similarly~~ Similarly, $e_1 < f_1$ leads to a contradiction. Hence we must have $e_1 = f_1$, so that we can cancel $p_1^{e_1}$ from both the factorizations. Now we can argue similarly for p_2 , and then for its index e_2 . We cannot have some prime left in one of the factorizations, as it will lead to 1, being expressed as a product of primes. \square



Theorem: There are infinitely many primes.

Proof: If possible let there are finitely many primes p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k . Consider $N = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k + 1$. Now N is not divisible by any of the primes p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k . Hence either N is a prime or it is divisible by a prime which is not one of p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k . This leads to a contradiction.

Theorem: There are infinite primes of the form $4k+3$.

Proof. The proof is analogous to Euler's proof for infinite primes.

If possible, assume that there are only finitely many primes of the form $4k+3$. Suppose we denote

$S = p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$. Now consider the

number $N = 4p_1 p_2 \dots p_n + 3$.

Now, $p_i | N$ for $i > 1$ would imply $p_i | 3$

which is not possible. Moreover $3 \mid N$
 would mean $3 \mid p_i$ for some $p_i > 3$ which is
 also not possible. Therefore, n is not divisible
 by any of the listed primes p_i . Therefore
 n is either a prime number or is divisible
 some prime q other than p_i 's. If all
 the prime factors of odd number
 integer n are of the form $4k+1$, then
 n will also be of the form $4k+1$, which
 will clearly not the case. Therefore
 there must be a prime factor of n
 of the form $4k+3$, which is not in
 $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$. ~~AA~~
