

The Limit of the Ratio of Successive Fibonacci Numbers

1. Restart and load the combinatorics library so we can access the fibonacci function:

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> restart : with(combinat); with(plots)
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[Chi, bell, binomial, cartprod, character, choose, composition, conjpart, decodepart, encodepart, eulerian1, eulerian2, fibonacci, firstpart, graycode, inttovec, lastpart, multinomial, nextpart, numbc comb, numbc comp, numbc part, numbc perm, partition, permute, powerset, prevpart, randcomb, randpart, randperm, setpartition, stirling1, stirling2, subsets, vectoint]
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[animate, animate3d, animatecurve, arrow, changecoords, complexplot, complexplot3d, conformal, conformal3d, contourplot, contourplot3d, coordplot, coordplot3d, densityplot, display, dualaxisplot, fieldplot, fieldplot3d, gradplot, gradplot3d, implicitplot, implicitplot3d, inequal, interactive, interactiveparams, intersectplot, listcontplot, listcontplot3d, listdensityplot, listplot, listplot3d, loglogplot, logplot, matrixplot, multiple, odeplot, pareto, plotcompare, pointplot, pointplot3d, polarplot, polygonplot, polygonplot3d, polyhedra_supported, polyhedraplot, rootlocus, semilogplot, setcolors, setoptions, setoptions3d, spacecurve, sparsematrixplot, surfdata, textplot, textplot3d, tubeplot]
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2. Create the sequence of the first 100 fibonacci numbers:

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> seq([n, fibonacci(n)], n = 1 ..100)
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[1, 1], [2, 1], [3, 2], [4, 3], [5, 5], [6, 8], [7, 13], [8, 21], [9, 34], [10, 55], [11, 89], [12, 144], [13, 233], [14, 377], [15, 610], [16, 987], [17, 1597], [18, 2584], [19, 4181], [20, 6765], [21, 10946], [22, 17711], [23, 28657], [24, 46368], [25, 75025], [26, 121393], [27, 196418], [28, 317811], [29, 514229], [30, 832040], [31, 1346269], [32, 2178309], [33, 3524578], [34, 5702887], [35, 9227465], [36, 14930352], [37, 24157817], [38, 39088169], [39, 63245986], [40, 102334155], [41, 165580141], [42, 267914296], [43, 433494437], [44, 701408733], [45, 1134903170], [46, 1836311903], [47, 2971215073], [48, 4807526976], [49, 7778742049], [50, 12586269025], [51, 20365011074], [52, 32951280099], [53, 53316291173], [54, 86267571272], [55, 139583862445], [56, 225851433717], [57, 365435296162], [58, 591286729879], [59, 956722026041], [60, 1548008755920], [61, 2504730781961], [62, 4052739537881], [63, 6557470319842], [64, 10610209857723], [65, 17167680177565], [66, 27777890035288], [67, 44945570212853], [68, 72723460248141], [69, 117669030460994], [70, 190392490709135], [71, 308061521170129], [72, 498454011879264], [73, 806515533049393], [74, 1304969544928657], [75, 2111485077978050], [76, 3416454622906707], [77, 5527939700884757], [78, 8944394323791464], [79, 14472334024676221], [80, 23416728348467685], [81, 37889062373143906], [82, 61305790721611591], [83, 99194853094755497], [84, 160500643816367088], [85, 259695496911122585], [86, 420196140727489673], [87, 679891637638612258], [88, 1100087778366101931], [89, 1779979416004714189], [90, 2880067194370816120], [91, 4660046610375530309], [92, 7540113804746346429], [93, 12200160415121876738], [94, 19740274219868223167], [95, 31940434634990099905], [96, 51680708854858323072], [97, 83621143489848422977], [98,
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135301852344706746049], [99, 218922995834555169026], [100,
354224848179261915075]

3. Look at the ratio of the fourth Fibonacci number to the third:

$$\text{> } \frac{\text{fibonacci}(4)}{\text{fibonacci}(3)}$$

$$\frac{3}{2}$$

4. Create the sequence of the ratios of successive fibonacci numbers up to n = 50:

$$\text{> } \text{fibratio} := \left[\text{seq} \left(\left[n, \frac{\text{fibonacci}(n)}{\text{fibonacci}(n-1)} \right], n = 2..50 \right) \right]$$

$$\text{fibratio} := \left[\left[2, 1 \right], \left[3, 2 \right], \left[4, \frac{3}{2} \right], \left[5, \frac{5}{3} \right], \left[6, \frac{8}{5} \right], \left[7, \frac{13}{8} \right], \left[8, \frac{21}{13} \right], \left[9, \frac{34}{21} \right], \left[10, \frac{55}{34} \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[11, \frac{89}{55} \right], \left[12, \frac{144}{89} \right], \left[13, \frac{233}{144} \right], \left[14, \frac{377}{233} \right], \left[15, \frac{610}{377} \right], \left[16, \frac{987}{610} \right], \left[17, \frac{1597}{987} \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[18, \frac{2584}{1597} \right], \left[19, \frac{4181}{2584} \right], \left[20, \frac{6765}{4181} \right], \left[21, \frac{10946}{6765} \right], \left[22, \frac{17711}{10946} \right], \left[23, \frac{28657}{17711} \right], \left[24, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{46368}{28657} \right], \left[25, \frac{75025}{46368} \right], \left[26, \frac{121393}{75025} \right], \left[27, \frac{196418}{121393} \right], \left[28, \frac{317811}{196418} \right], \left[29, \frac{514229}{317811} \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[30, \frac{832040}{514229} \right], \left[31, \frac{1346269}{832040} \right], \left[32, \frac{2178309}{1346269} \right], \left[33, \frac{3524578}{2178309} \right], \left[34, \frac{5702887}{3524578} \right], \left[35, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{9227465}{5702887} \right], \left[36, \frac{14930352}{9227465} \right], \left[37, \frac{24157817}{14930352} \right], \left[38, \frac{39088169}{24157817} \right], \left[39, \frac{63245986}{39088169} \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[40, \frac{102334155}{63245986} \right], \left[41, \frac{165580141}{102334155} \right], \left[42, \frac{267914296}{165580141} \right], \left[43, \frac{433494437}{267914296} \right], \left[44, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{701408733}{433494437} \right], \left[45, \frac{1134903170}{701408733} \right], \left[46, \frac{1836311903}{1134903170} \right], \left[47, \frac{2971215073}{1836311903} \right], \left[48, \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \frac{4807526976}{2971215073} \right], \left[49, \frac{7778742049}{4807526976} \right], \left[50, \frac{12586269025}{7778742049} \right] \right]$$

5. Approximate this ratios to 20 decimal places:

$$\text{> } \text{evalf}(\text{fibratio}, 20)$$

[[2., 1.], [3., 2.], [4., 1.500000000000000000], [5., 1.666666666666666667], [6.,
1.600000000000000000], [7., 1.625000000000000000], [8., 1.6153846153846153846],
[9., 1.6190476190476190476], [10., 1.6176470588235294118], [11.,
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1.6180339889579020014], [26., 1.6180339886704431856], [27.,
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1.6180339887505408394], [32., 1.6180339887496481015], [33.,

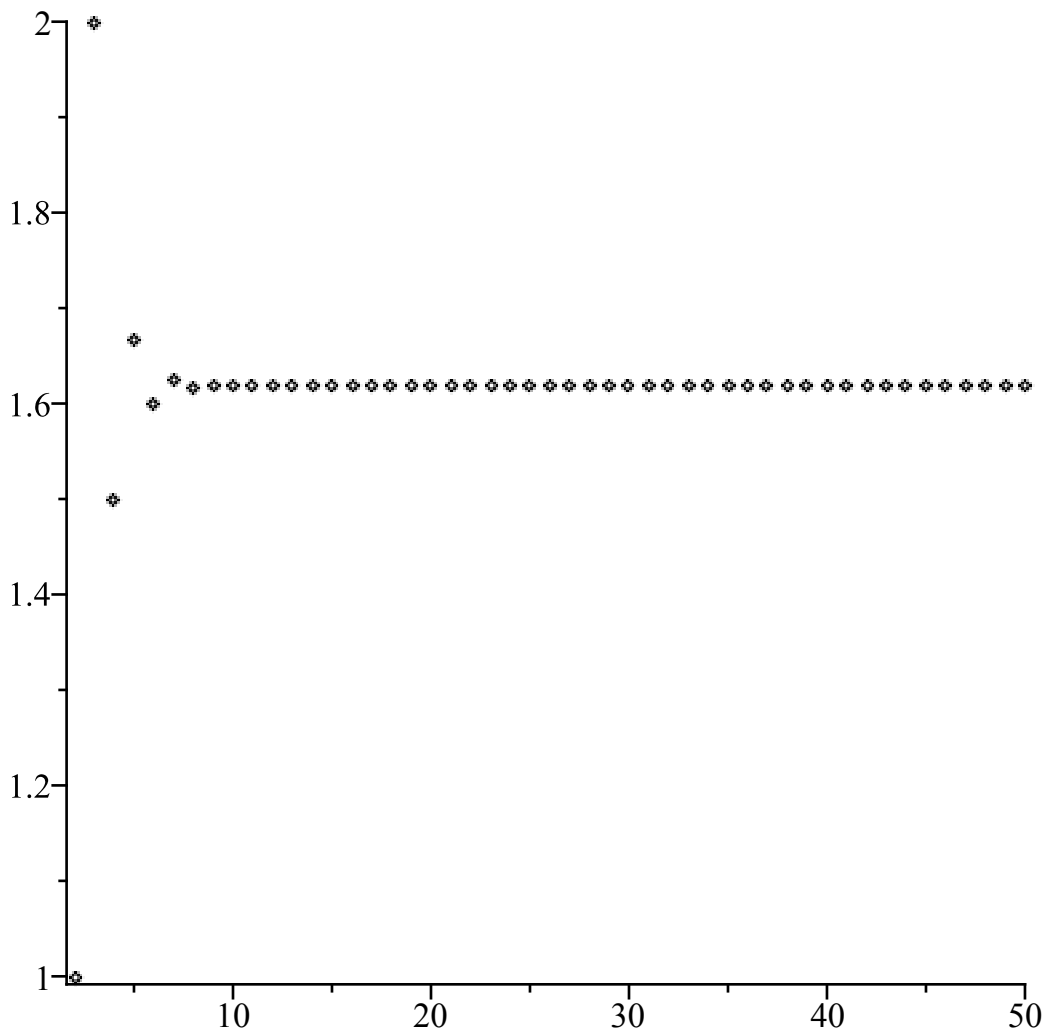
1.6180339887499890970], [34., 1.6180339887498588484], [35.,
1.6180339887499085989], [36., 1.6180339887498895959], [37.,
1.6180339887498968544], [38., 1.6180339887498940819], [39.,
1.6180339887498951409], [40., 1.6180339887498947364], [41.,
1.6180339887498948909], [42., 1.6180339887498948319], [43.,
1.6180339887498948544], [44., 1.6180339887498948458], [45.,
1.6180339887498948491], [46., 1.6180339887498948479], [47.,
1.6180339887498948483], [48., 1.6180339887498948482], [49.,
1.6180339887498948482], [50., 1.6180339887498948482]]

6. Plot the sequence -- load plot library first so we can use pointplot:

> *with(plots)*

[*animate, animate3d, animatecurve, arrow, changecoords, complexplot, complexplot3d,*
conformal, conformal3d, contourplot, contourplot3d, coordplot, coordplot3d, densityplot,
display, dualaxisplot, fieldplot, fieldplot3d, gradplot, gradplot3d, implicitplot,
implicitplot3d, inequal, interactive, interactiveparams, intersectplot, listcontplot,
listcontplot3d, listdensityplot, listplot, listplot3d, loglogplot, logplot, matrixplot, multiple,
odeplot, pareto, plotcompare, pointplot, pointplot3d, polarplot, polygonplot, polygonplot3d,
polyhedra_supported, polyhedraplot, rootlocus, semilogplot, setcolors, setoptions,
setoptions3d, spacecurve, sparsematrixplot, surfdata, textplot, textplot3d, tubeplot]

> *pointplot(fibratio)*



7. Evaluate $\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ to 20 decimal places.

> `evalf($\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$, 20)`

1.6180339887498948482

8. Verifying some of the golden ratio properties (See exercise 19, 20 page 622)

> `p := evalf($\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$, 20)`

`p := 1.6180339887498948482`

> `$\frac{1}{p}$; p - 1`

0.6180339887

0.618033989

> `p^2`

2.618033990

Lucas Numbers: These are like the Fibonacci numbers, except the first two numbers are 1 and 3:

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> lucas := n → lucas(n - 1) + lucas(n - 2)
      lucas := n → lucas(n - 1) + lucas(n - 2)
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> lucas(1) := 1; lucas(2) := 3
      lucas(1) := 1
      lucas(2) := 3
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> seq([n, lucas(n)], n = 1 .. 10)
      [1, 1], [2, 3], [3, 4], [4, 7], [5, 11], [6, 18], [7, 29], [8, 47], [9, 76], [10, 123]
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> lucasratio := [seq([n,  $\frac{lucas(n)}{lucas(n-1)}$ ], n = 2 .. 20)]
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lucasratio := [[2, 3], [3,  $\frac{4}{3}$ ], [4,  $\frac{7}{4}$ ], [5,  $\frac{11}{7}$ ], [6,  $\frac{18}{11}$ ], [7,  $\frac{29}{18}$ ], [8,  $\frac{47}{29}$ ], [9,  $\frac{76}{47}$ ], [10,
 $\frac{123}{76}$ ], [11,  $\frac{199}{123}$ ], [12,  $\frac{322}{199}$ ], [13,  $\frac{521}{322}$ ], [14,  $\frac{843}{521}$ ], [15,  $\frac{1364}{843}$ ], [16,  $\frac{2207}{1364}$ ], [17,
 $\frac{3571}{2207}$ ], [18,  $\frac{5778}{3571}$ ], [19,  $\frac{9349}{5778}$ ], [20,  $\frac{15127}{9349}$ ]]
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> evalf(lucasratio)
[[2., 3.], [3., 1.3333333333], [4., 1.7500000000], [5., 1.571428571], [6., 1.636363636], [7.,
1.611111111], [8., 1.620689655], [9., 1.617021277], [10., 1.618421053], [11.,
1.617886179], [12., 1.618090452], [13., 1.618012422], [14., 1.618042226], [15.,
1.618030842], [16., 1.618035191], [17., 1.618033530], [18., 1.618034164], [19.,
1.618033922], [20., 1.618034014]]
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