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Fibonacci #s:

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, ...

Prove: \forall integers ≥ 0 can be represented by a sequence of unique Fibonacci numbers.

$F_i \in \{\text{Fibonacci \#s}\}$ Base Cases:

1=1 2=2 3=3 4=1+1+2 5=3+2

Assume k exists as sum of Fibonacci #s and all $n \leq k$ also exists...

if $k+1$ is a Fibonacci #, then $k+1$ is immediately true

OTHERWISE:

$\exists i: F_i < k+1 < F_{i+1}$

Consider

$$a = k+1 - F_i$$

$$\Rightarrow a \leq k$$

Given $F_i + a < F_{i+1}$ and $F_{i+1} = F_i + F_{i-1}$

$\therefore a < F_{i-1}$ and can be represented as a sequence of Fibonacci # without using F_i

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } k+1: k+1 = a + F_i$$

Q.E.D.