Consider the Fibonacci function, F(n) (see Proposition 3.20). Show by induction that F(n) is  $\Omega((3/2)^n)$ .

Lets find c and  $n_0$  such that  $F(n) \ge c(\frac32)^n$  for constant c and  $n \ge n_0$  for  $c=\frac49$  and  $n_0=1$  everything works great

$$\begin{array}{cccc} n & F(n) & \frac{4}{9}(\frac{3}{2})^n \\ 1 & 1 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 4 & 3 & 2\frac{1}{4} \end{array}$$

Inductive Hippotesis:

$$F(k) \geq c(\tfrac{3}{2})^k$$

$$F(k+1) = F(k) + F(k-1)$$

$$\geq c(\frac{3}{2})^k + c(\frac{3}{2})^{k-1}$$

$$= c(\frac{3}{2})^{k-1} \cdot \frac{3}{2} + c(\frac{3}{2})^{k-1}$$

$$= c(\frac{3}{2})^{k-1}(\frac{3}{2}+1)$$

$$> c(\frac{3}{2})^{k-1}(\frac{3}{2})^2, \text{ since } \frac{5}{2} > \frac{9}{4}$$

$$= c(\frac{3}{2})^{k+1}$$



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