

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}, \quad n > 4$$

basis step,  $n=5$

$$\text{L.S.} = F_5 = 5$$

$$\text{R.S.} = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^5 = 4.21$$

$$\therefore F_5 > \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^5$$

induction step,

$$\text{for } n=k, \quad F_k > \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^k$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{for } n=k+1, \quad F_{k+1} &= F_k + F_{k-1} \\ &> \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^k + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{k-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^k \left[1 + \frac{3}{4}\right] \\ &= \left(\frac{7}{4}\right) \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^k \\ &> \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^k \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore F_n > \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^n$$

# 1. Recursive Algorithm for fibonacci

Algorithm fibo(n):

Input: a natural number n

Output: Fibonacci number at  $n^{\text{th}}$  position

if  $n \leq 1$  then  
return n

return fibo(n-1) + fibo(n-2)

Analysis:

$$T(0) = 2$$

$$T(1) = 2$$

$$T(2) = T(0) + T(1) + 2$$

$$T(3) = T(1) + T(2) + 2$$

⋮

$$T(k) = T(k-1) + T(k-2) + 2$$

If we look at the recursion tree, we can intuitively draw the following conclusion,

$$T(k-1) = O(2^{k-1})$$

$$\therefore T(n) = O(2^{n-1}) + O(2^{n-2}) + O(1)$$

$$= O(2^n)$$

Therefore, recursive algorithm for fibonacci is exponentially slow. The tight bound for the algorithm is also not polynomial - as  $\Theta(\varphi^n)$  where  $\varphi$  is the golden ratio (1.618).