

1 Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear map

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ x + y \end{pmatrix}$$

2 Note that $T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$.

3 Consider $T^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Claim.

$$T^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

4 *Proof.* If $n = 1$, then

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

5 Suppose now the claim is true for $n = k \in \mathbb{N}$.

6 Consider $T^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

$$T^{k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = T \left(T^k \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \tag{4}$$

$$= T \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_k \\ a_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} \right) \tag{5}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_{k+1} \\ a_k + a_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} \tag{6}$$

$$\text{definition of the Fibonacci sequence} \mid = \begin{pmatrix} a_{k+1} \\ a_{k+2} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{7}$$

7 which is exactly the claim in case $n = k + 1$.

8 Therefore, if the claim is true in case $n = k$, it is true for $n = k + 1$.

9 But the claim is true in case $n = 1$, therefore

$$\forall (n \in \mathbb{N}) : T^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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11 Let $\omega = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{2}$.

12 Let $\gamma = \{f_1, f_2\}$, where $f_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \omega \end{pmatrix}$, $f_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\omega \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

13 Consider $[T]_\gamma$.

14 Thus,

$$T(f_1) = \begin{pmatrix} \omega \\ 1 + \omega \end{pmatrix} = \omega f_1 \quad (8)$$

$$T(f_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 - \omega \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{1}{\omega} f_2 \quad (9)$$

15 Hence,

$$[T]_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{\omega} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$[T^2]_\gamma = [T]_\gamma [T]_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\omega^2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

16 and, in general,

$$[T^n]_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} \omega^n & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^n \frac{1}{\omega^n} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

17 Suppose now that there exist $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = cf_1 + df_2$.

18 Thus,

$$\begin{cases} c = d\omega \\ d(1 + \omega^2) = 1 \end{cases}$$

19 Note that $1 + \omega^2 = \sqrt{5}\omega$, and $\omega - 1 = \frac{1}{\omega}$. Therefore,

$$\begin{cases} d = \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}\omega} = \frac{\omega - 1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \end{cases}$$

Hence,

$$[T^n]_\gamma \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}\omega} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{bmatrix} \omega^n & 0 \\ 0 & (-1)^n \frac{1}{\omega^n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{\omega} \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} \omega^n \\ (-1)^n \frac{1}{\omega^{n+1}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

20 Therefore, from above,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} \omega^n f_1 + (-1)^n \frac{1}{\omega^{n+1}} f_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (14)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} \omega^n + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{\omega^n} \\ \omega^{n+1} + (-1)^n \frac{1}{\omega^{n+1}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

21 Thus,

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\omega^n - (-1)^n \frac{1}{\omega^n} \right).$$