

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $F_n = (\varphi^n - \psi^n)/\sqrt{5}$ .

**Base case.**

$$F_0 = 0 = \text{Fib}(0),$$

$$F_1 = 1 = \text{Fib}(1).$$

**Induction step.** Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose  $\text{Fib}(k) = F_k$  holds for all  $k \leq n + 1$ .

Since both  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are solutions to the equation  $x^2 - x - 1 = 0$ , it follows that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\varphi^{n+2} = \varphi^{n+1} + \varphi,$$

$$\psi^{n+2} = \psi^{n+1} + \psi.$$

Then since  $F_n$  is a linear combination of  $\varphi^n$  and  $\psi^n$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n = \text{Fib}(n+1) + \text{Fib}(n) = \text{Fib}(n+2).$$

Hence,  $\text{Fib}(k) = F_k$  holds for all  $k \leq (n+1) + 1$ .

Thus, we can conclude that  $\text{Fib}(n) = F_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

For all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the number  $\text{Fib}(n)$  is an integer, and  $|\varphi^n/\sqrt{5} - \text{Fib}(n)| = |\psi|^n/\sqrt{5} \leq 1/\sqrt{5} < 1/2$ . Therefore,  $\text{Fib}(n)$  is the closest integer to  $\varphi^n/\sqrt{5}$ .