

## PORTFOLIO PROOFS E

**Instructions.** Choose one of the following statements and prove it (using induction). Use  $\text{\LaTeX}$  to write your proof nicely. Drop your proof (both pdf and tex) in your OneDrive folder by the end of the day Friday, November 19.

1. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $n \geq 12$ , then there are non-negative integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $n = 4a + 5b$ .
2. Consider the  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A^n = \begin{pmatrix} F_{n+1} & F_n \\ F_n & F_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$  (where  $F_k$  is the  $k^{\text{th}}$  term of the Fibonacci sequence in definition 1).
3. Define a new function on the positive real numbers:  $\Gamma(x) = \int_0^\infty t^{x-1} e^{-t} dt$ . Prove that if  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$ . (This makes  $\Gamma$  a version of the factorial that is defined for non-integers; for example,  $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$ ).

**Definition 1.** The Fibonacci sequence is defined recursively by  $F_0 = 0$ ,  $F_1 = 1$ , and  $F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . The beginning of the Fibonacci sequence is  $0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, \dots$