

Math 2106-D, Foundations of Mathematical Proof  
Homework 5  
Due October 12, 2017

**Do the following problems from Hammack:**

Chapter 12.1: 4

Chapter 12.2: 10,12

Chapter 12.3: 2

Chapter 12.4: 8

Chapter 12.5: 4,8

**Also turn in the following exercises:**

A1 Consider the sequence

$$0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233, 377, 610, 987 \dots$$

of Fibonacci numbers. For fixed  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can look at the sequence of Fibonacci numbers modulo  $n$  by reducing each element of the sequence modulo  $n$ . For example, when  $n = 3$ , we get the sequence of numbers

$$0, 1, 1, 2, 0, 2, 2, 1, 0, 1, 1, 2, 0, 2, 2, 1, 0 \dots$$

Note that this sequence seems to be *repeating*. In particular, if you kept computing, you would find that this sequence is just the sequence  $0, 1, 1, 2, 0, 2, 2, 1$  repeated over and over again.

Use the Pigeonhole Principle to show that this kind of pattern always occurs. That is, show that for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that the sequence of Fibonacci numbers modulo  $n$  is periodic.

A2 Find a bijection  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  (hint: define a piecewise function which has different branches depending on whether  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is even or odd).