## Isgur@GSS: Self-Referencing Recursions and Labeled Binary Trees

## Hofstadter's Recursion

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Clear[Q];
Q[1] = Q[2] = 1;
Q[n_] /; n > 2 := Q[n] = Q[n-Q[n-1]] +Q[n-Q[n-2]]
Q /@ Range[200]
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{1, 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 8, 8, 8, 10, 9, 10, 11, 11, 12, 12, 12, 12, 16, 14, 14,
    16, 16, 16, 16, 20, 17, 17, 20, 21, 19, 20, 22, 21, 22, 23, 23, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 32,
    24, 25, 30, 28, 26, 30, 30, 28, 32, 30, 32, 32, 32, 32, 40, 33, 31, 38, 35, 33, 39, 40,
    37, 38, 40, 39, 40, 39, 42, 40, 41, 43, 44, 43, 43, 46, 44, 45, 47, 47, 46, 48, 48, 48,
    48, 48, 48, 64, 41, 52, 54, 56, 48, 54, 54, 50, 60, 52, 54, 58, 60, 53, 60, 60, 52, 62,
    66, 55, 62, 68, 62, 58, 72, 58, 61, 78, 57, 71, 68, 64, 63, 73, 63, 71, 72, 72, 80, 61,
    71, 77, 65, 80, 71, 69, 77, 75, 73, 77, 79, 76, 80, 79, 75, 82, 77, 80, 80, 78, 83, 83
    78, 85, 82, 85, 84, 84, 88, 83, 87, 88, 87, 86, 90, 88, 87, 92, 90, 91, 92, 92, 94, 92,
    93, 94, 94, 96, 94, 96, 96, 96, 96, 96, 96, 128, 72, 96, 115, 100, 84, 114, 110, 93}
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## Conolly's Recursion

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Clear [CC];
CC[1] = CC[2] = 1;
CC[n_] /; n>2 := CC[n] = CC[n-CC[n-1]] + CC[n-1-CC[n-2]]
CC /@ Range[100]
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$\{1,1,2,2,3,4,4,4,5,6,6,7,8,8,8,8,9,10,10,11,12,12,12,13,14,14,15,16,16$,
$16,16,16,17,18,18,19,20,20,20,21,22,22,23,24,24,24,24,25,26,26,27,28,28$,
$28,29,30,30,31,32,32,32,32,32,32,33,34,34,35,36,36,36,37,38,38,39,40,40$,
$40,40,41,42,42,43,44,44,44,45,46,46,47,48,48,48,48,48,49,50,50,51,52\}$

## ListPlot [CC /@ Range [200]]



## Golomb's Recursion

Clear [G];
$\mathrm{G}[1]=\mathrm{G}[2]=1$;
$G\left[n_{n}\right] / ; n>2:=G[n]=G[n-G[n-1]]+G[n-1-G[n-2]]+1$

## G / @ Range [100]

$\{1,1,3,3,3,5,5,5,7,7,7,7,9,9,9,11,11,11,11,13,13,13,15,15,15,15,15,17,17$, $17,19,19,19,19,21,21,21,23,23,23,23,23,25,25,25,27,27,27,27,29,29,29,31$, $31,31,31,31,31,33,33,33,35,35,35,35,37,37,37,39,39,39,39,39,41,41,41,43$, $43,43,43,45,45,45,47,47,47,47,47,47,49,49,49,51,51,51,51,53,53,53,55\}$

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