

Proof. We have  $G_1 = G_2$  from the Theorem and so we have  $G_1 \mid b$ ,  $G_1 \mid c$ ,  $G_1 \mid c + d$ ,  $G_1 \mid d$ ,  $G_1 \mid a$  and  $G_1 \mid \text{GCD}(a, b, c, d)$ . Conversely,  $\text{GCD}(a, b, c, d)$  clearly divides  $G_1$ .

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors:

On page 165 of Professor Coxeter's Introduction to Geometry (New York, 1961), we read: "In 1202, Leonardo of Pisa, nicknamed Fibonacci ("son of good nature"), came across his celebrated sequence . . . ."

This translation of Leonardo's nickname differs, of course, from the one I've seen in the Quarterly.

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Dear Editors:

Thank you for the reprints I have just received. Sorry to bother you again, but somehow the main sentence from "An Old Fibonacci Formula and Stopping Rules," (Vol. 10, No. 6) was omitted. The formula is

$$\sum_0^{\infty} \frac{F(n)}{2^{n+1}} = 1$$

and it is based on Wald's proof that the defined stopping rule is a real stopping rule (the process terminates after a final number of steps with probability 1).

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