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Live Exercises 5

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Exercise 1 Recursion on Numbers

In this exercise, you will define two functions to calculate the nth element of the *Fibonacci sequence* $1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \ldots$. Each element in this sequence is the sum of the previous two elements. **Examples:**

fib 0 == 1, fib 1 == 1, fib 2 == 2, fib 3 == 3, fib 4 == 5, fib 5 == 8, ...

- 1. Write a function fib1 n which returns the nth Fibonacci number. Use pattern matching on numbers for the two base cases. What is the most general type of fib1?
- 2. Write a function fib2 n which returns the nth Fibonacci number, but this time using a guard to identify the two base cases. What is the most general type of fib2?
- 3. What is the difference between pattern matching and guards in Haskell?