

2. Mark each statement True or False. Justify each answer.
- If a convergent sequence is bounded, then it is monotone.
  - If  $(s_n)$  is an unbounded increasing sequence, then  $\lim s_n = +\infty$ .
  - The Cauchy convergence criterion holds in  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the ordered field of rational numbers.
3. Prove that each sequence is monotone and bounded. Then find the limit. ☆
- $s_1 = 1$  and  $s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5}(s_n + 7)$  for  $n \geq 1$ .
  - $s_1 = 2$  and  $s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5}(s_n + 7)$  for  $n \geq 1$ .
  - $s_1 = 2$  and  $s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2s_n + 7)$  for  $n \geq 1$ .
  - $s_1 = 1$  and  $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{2s_n + 2}$  for  $n \geq 1$ .
  - $s_1 = 5$  and  $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{4s_n + 1}$  for  $n \geq 1$ .
4. Find an example of a sequence of real numbers satisfying each set of properties.
- Cauchy, but not monotone
  - Monotone, but not Cauchy
  - Bounded, but not Cauchy
5. Let  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  be monotone sequences. Prove or give a counterexample.
- The sequence  $(c_n)$  given by  $c_n = a_n + b_n$  is monotone.
  - The sequence  $(c_n)$  given by  $c_n = a_n \cdot b_n$  is monotone.
6. Let  $(a_n)$  and  $(b_n)$  be monotone sequences. Prove or give a counterexample.
- The sequence  $(c_n)$  given by  $c_n = ka_n$  is monotone for any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .
  - The sequence  $(c_n)$  given by  $c_n = a_n/b_n$  is monotone, where  $b_n \neq 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
7. Let  $s_1 = \sqrt{6}$ ,  $s_2 = \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6}}$ ,  $s_3 = \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6 + \sqrt{6}}}$ , and in general define  $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{6 + s_n}$ . Prove that  $(s_n)$  converges, and find its limit.
8. Let  $s_1 = k$  and define  $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{4s_n - 1}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Determine for what values of  $k$  the sequence  $(s_n)$  will be monotone increasing and for what values of  $k$  it will be monotone decreasing.
9. Suppose  $x > 0$ . Define a sequence  $(s_n)$  by  $s_1 = k$  and  $s_{n+1} = (s_n^2 + x)/(2s_n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that for any  $k > 0$ ,  $\lim s_n = \sqrt{x}$ . ☆
10. (a) Suppose that  $|r| < 1$ . Also, we know that

$$1 + r + r^2 + \cdots + r^n = \frac{1 - r^{n+1}}{1 - r}.$$

Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + r + r^2 + \cdots + r^n)$ .

- (b) If we let the infinite repeating decimal  $0.9999\cdots$  stand for the limit

4. For each sequence, find the set  $S$  of subsequential limits, the limit superior, and the limit inferior.

(a)  $w_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$

(b)  $(x_n) = (0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 3, 0, 1, 4, \dots)$

(c)  $y_n = n[2 + (-1)^n]$

(d)  $z_n = (-n)^n$

5. Use Exercise 3.14 to find the limit of each sequence. ☆

(a)  $s_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2n}\right)^{2n}$

(b)  $s_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{2n}$

(c)  $s_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n-1}$

(d)  $s_n = \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n$

(e)  $s_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2n}\right)^n$

(f)  $s_n = \left(\frac{n+2}{n+1}\right)^{n+3}$

6. Prove or give a counterexample.

- (a) Every oscillating sequence has a convergent subsequence.  
 (b) Every oscillating sequence diverges.  
 (c) Every divergent sequence oscillates.

7. Prove or give a counterexample.

- (a) Every bounded sequence has a Cauchy subsequence.  
 (b) Every monotone sequence has a bounded subsequence.  
 (c) Every convergent sequence can be represented as the sum of two oscillating sequences.

8. If  $(s_n)$  is a subsequence of  $(t_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  is a subsequence of  $(s_n)$ , can we conclude that  $(s_n) = (t_n)$ ? Prove or give a counterexample.

9. Let  $(s_n)$  be a bounded sequence and suppose that  $\liminf s_n = \limsup s_n = s$ . Prove that  $(s_n)$  is convergent and that  $\lim s_n = s$ . ☆

- \*10. Suppose that  $x > 1$ . Prove that  $\lim x^{1/n} = 1$ .

11. Let  $(s_n)$  be a bounded sequence and let  $S$  denote the set of subsequential limits of  $(s_n)$ . Prove that  $S$  is closed. ☆

12. Let  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Q}: 0 \leq x < 2\}$ . Since  $A$  is denumerable, there exists a bijection  $s: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow A$ . Letting  $s(n) = s_n$ , find the set of subsequential limits of the sequence  $(s_n)$ .

13. Let  $(s_n)$  and  $(t_n)$  be bounded sequences.

- (a) Prove that  $\limsup (s_n + t_n) \leq \limsup s_n + \limsup t_n$ . ☆