

Supplementary problems: Sec. 3.3 # 1-3; 3.4 # 3, 9, 15

Compulsory problems:

Since these sequences are nontrivial, please use induction whenever proving increasing/decreasing.

- (1) Suppose  $0 < x_n < 1$  and  $x_{n+1} = 1 - \sqrt{1 - x_n}$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .
  - (a) [5 pts.] Prove that  $x_n > x_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
  - (b) [10 pts.]  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  (Recall how to find the limit of a recurrence relation.) (Hint: for the limits there is no need to use the formal definition of a limit as long as you can prove the sequences are convergent, which you can do by using part (a).), and
  - (c) [5 pts.]  $x_{n+1}/x_n \rightarrow 1/2$ . (Use Calc II, not the definition.)
- (2) [10 pts.] This is # 3.3.4 in the book: If  $x_1 = 1$ , prove that  $x_{n+1} := \sqrt{2 + x_n}$  converges and find its limit.
- (3) [15 pts.] Consider a sequence defined as  $x_1 = 1/2$  and  $x_{n+1} := x_n^2$ . Prove that it has a limit and find that limit.
- (4) [5 pts.] Show that the sequence  $x_n := \sin \frac{n\pi}{2}$  has convergent subsequences. (Don't use Bolzano-Weierstrass); come up with an example.
- (5) [+10 pts.] Prove that  $(2n)^{1/n}$  is decreasing.

Your homework raw score is:  $\frac{n}{2m} \cdot M + \left(1 - \frac{n}{2m}\right) \cdot N = N + \frac{n}{2m}(M - N)$ . For this homework,  $M = 50$ ,  $m = 6$ ,  $N$  is the number of compulsory problems you get correct, and  $n$  is the number of supplementary problems you complete. It should be noted that for the supplementary problems I will be looking for **full completion**, but I won't take off points for mistakes.