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Engineering Calculus (EMAT101L)
Tutorial Sheet 2

1. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers. Define the sequence $\{s_n\}$ by $s_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$.
If $\{a_n\}$ is monotone and bounded show that $\{s_n\}$ is also monotone and bounded.

2. Show that the following sequence is bounded below by $\frac{1}{2}$ and nonincreasing

$$s_1 = 1, s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3}(s_n + 1), n \geq 1.$$

3. If $a_1 > 0$ and for $n \geq 1$, $a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(a_n + \frac{2}{a_n} \right)$, then show that the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is nonincreasing and bounded below. Also, find the limit.

4. Find the limit superior and the limit inferior for the the following sequences:

(a) $a_n = \sin \frac{n\pi}{3}, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(b) $a_n = n(1 + (-1)^n), n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(c) $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

5. For $|x| < 1$ and a fixed positive integer m , prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m(m-1)(m-2)\dots(m-n+1)}{n!} x^n = 0.$$

6. Let $x_n = \frac{n^2}{n^3+n+1} + \frac{n^2}{n^3+n+2} + \dots + \frac{n^2}{n^3+2n}$. Then show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 1$.