

**MAT 137**  
**Tutorial #15– Sequences**  
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1. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence. Write down the formal definition of the following concepts. You have already seen some of these in lecture.
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| (a) The sequence is convergent.              | (g) The sequence is non-decreasing.    |
| (b) The sequence is divergent.               | (h) The sequence isn't decreasing.     |
| (c) The sequence is divergent to $\infty$ .  | (i) The sequence is bounded above.     |
| (d) The sequence is divergent to $-\infty$ . | (j) The sequence is not bounded above. |
| (e) The sequence is increasing.              | (k) The sequence is bounded.           |
| (f) The sequence is decreasing.              |  |

*Note:* Questions 1e, 1g and 1h are all different.

2. The following is a well-known result due to mathematician Stirling:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{n^n e^{-n} \sqrt{2\pi n}} = 1$$

For this problem, you may assume we already know this formula is true. Use it to calculate the limits of the four sequences below.

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| (a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n! e^n}{n^{n+1/2}}$                 | (c) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n)! \sqrt{n}}{n!^2 4^n}$ |
| (b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(2n)!}{e^{-2n} (2n)^{2n} \sqrt{n}}$ | (d) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n}$          |