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MA1000 Calculus

Problem Set 1

1. Prove using the definition of convergence that the following sequences converge:
(a) $\left\{\frac{1}{n^2}\right\}$; (b) $\left\{\frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n}\right\}$.
2. Prove: $\frac{2^n}{n!} \rightarrow 0$.
3. Find the limit of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ if (a) $a_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$; (b) $a_n = \left(1 + \frac{3}{4n}\right)^{\frac{8}{3}n}$.
4. If α is a rational number, find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sin(n!\alpha\pi)$.
5. Calculate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n^2 + n} - n)$.
6. Find the limit of the sequence $\{a_n\}$, where $a_1 = \sqrt{2}$, $a_n = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{a_{n-1}}}$ for $n \geq 2$.
7. Prove that the sequence $\{a_n\}$, where $a_1 = 10$ and $a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(a_n + \frac{10}{a_n}\right)$ for $n \geq 1$, converges. Also find its limit.
8. Let $a_1 = 1$ and $a_2 = 1$. For $n \geq 3$, let $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$. Then the sequence $\{a_n\}$ is called the Fibonacci sequence. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n}$.
9. Find the limit of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ if $a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{2n}$.
10. Find the limit of the sequence $\{a_n\}$ if $a_n = \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} + \frac{1}{(n+2)^2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{(2n)^2}$.
11. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given. Find a natural number N as required by the definition of convergence of a sequence for proving the following limits:
(a) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{n} - 1}{\sqrt{n} + 1} = 1$; (b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/n} = 1$
12. Let $a_n = \frac{1}{\ln(n+1)}$.
(a) Show that the sequence $\{a_n\}$ converges to zero.
(b) Find a natural number as required of the definition of convergence for
(i) $\epsilon = 0.5$; (ii) $\epsilon = 0.1$.