

Recursive Roots

Let $a_1 = 1$ and $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{a_n + 6}$.

1. Use induction to prove a_n is increasing.
2. Explain why a_n is bounded below.
3. Use induction to prove a_n is bounded above. Hint: $\{a_n\} \approx \{2., 2.828, 2.971, 2.995, \dots\}$.

4. Cite a theorem (and explain why it applies) to prove $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ exists.

5. Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.