

## Topics in Basic Analysis: Homework 2

1. Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n-1}{3n+2} = \frac{2}{3}$ .
2. Determine the limits of the following sequences and prove your claim.
  - a)  $a_n = \frac{4n+3}{7n-5}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ .
  - b)  $s_n = \frac{1}{n} \sin n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ .
3. Prove the following claim: If  $(a_n)_n, (b_n)_n$  and  $(s_n)_n$  are real sequences such that  $a_n \leq s_n \leq b_n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = s$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = s$ .
4. Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n^2 + n} - n = \frac{1}{2}$ . Hint: Consider multiplying by  $1 = \frac{\sqrt{n^2+n}+n}{\sqrt{n^2+n}+n}$ .
5. Let  $(s_n)_n$  and  $(t_n)_n$  be real sequences, and suppose  $\exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $s_n \leq t_n$  for  $n \geq N_0$ . Prove the following statements.
  - a) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \infty$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = \infty$ .
  - b) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = -\infty$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = -\infty$ .
  - c) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n$  exists, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n$ .
6. Let  $(s_n)_n$  and  $(t_n)_n$  be real sequences. Prove the following statements:
  - a) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \infty$  and  $\inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} t_n > -\infty$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + t_n) = \infty$ .
  - b) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \infty$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n > -\infty$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + t_n) = \infty$ .
  - c) If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \infty$  and  $(t_n)_n$  is bounded, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (s_n + t_n) = \infty$ .
7. Let  $(s_n)_n$  be a real sequence and assume that  $s_n \neq 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Suppose that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{s_{n+1}}{s_n} \right| = L$  exists.
  - a) Prove that if  $L < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 0$ . Hint: Select  $a$  so that  $L < a < 1$ , and obtain an  $N$  so that  $|s_{n+1}| < a|s_n|$  for  $n \geq N$ . Then show that  $|s_n| < a^{n-N}|s_N|$  for  $n > N$ .
  - b) Show that if  $L > 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |s_n| = \infty$ . Hint: Apply part a) to the sequence  $t_n = 1/|s_n|$ .