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 Quiz # 1R

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JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS.

Answer each question in the space provided.

A correct answer without work shown may be worth 0 points, while an incorrect answer with full justification may be worth partial credit.

1. Let $a_n = \frac{n^2}{e^n}$ for $n \geq 1$.

Is the sequence ultimately monotonic, bounded and convergent? Explain. [5]

$$a_n > 0 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2}{e^n} = (\text{L'H.R.twice}) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{e^x} = 0$$

the sequence is **convergent**, therefore **bounded above and bounded below** (by 0) for monotonicity

$$\text{for } x \geq 1 \quad f(x) = \frac{x^2}{e^x} = x^2 e^{-x} \quad f'(x) = 2x e^{-x} - x^2 e^{-x} = x e^{-x} (2 - x) < 0 \quad \text{if } x > 2$$

thus the sequence is decreasing for $n \geq 3$ **ult.decr.**

2. Let $b_n = \frac{\cos n}{n^2}$ for $n \geq 1$. Is the sequence $\{b_n\}$ ultimately monotonic, bounded, alternating, convergent? [5]

b_n is sometimes positive, sometimes negative so it is **NOT monotonic, neither alternating**: $b_1 > 0, b_2 < 0, b_3 < 0,$

$b_4 < 0, b_5 > 0, b_6 > 0, b_7 > 0, 3neg, 3pos, \dots$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos n}{n^2} = 0 \text{ by Squ, th., since } \frac{-1}{n^2} \leq \frac{\cos n}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pm 1}{n^2} = 0$$

the sequence is **convergent and bounded**

$$-1 \leq \frac{-1}{n^2} \leq \frac{\cos n}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \leq 1$$

3. Evaluate the limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} - n)$ Is the sequence bounded? [5]

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} - n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} - n) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} + n}{\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} + n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2 + 1 - n^2}{\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} + n} = \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 + 1}{\sqrt{2n^2 + 1} + n} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n + \frac{1}{n}}{\sqrt{2 + \frac{1}{n^2}} + 1} = +\infty \end{aligned}$$

the sequence is **divergent, not bounded above, but bounded below, $b_n > 0$.**