

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 3

Due in class on Wednesday, September 22.

8. Let  $(a_n)_1^\infty$  be a convergent sequence of positive real numbers with limit  $b$ . Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{a_n} = \sqrt{b}$ . (Suggestion: Treat separately the cases  $b = 0$  and  $b > 0$ .)
9. (a) Let  $(a_n)_1^\infty$  be a convergent sequence of real numbers with limit  $b$ . Define the sequence  $(b_n)_1^\infty$  by  $b_n = \frac{1}{n}(a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_n)$ . Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b$ . (Suggestion: Reduce the general case to the case  $b = 0$ .)  
(b) Find a divergent sequence  $(a_n)_1^\infty$  such that the sequence  $(b_n)_1^\infty$  defined as in part (a) is convergent.
10. Let  $t$  be a number in the interval  $(0, 1)$ . Define the sequence  $(a_n)_1^\infty$  by  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $a_{n+1} = t(a_n + 1)$ .  
(a) Prove the sequence  $(a_n)_1^\infty$  bounded and monotone.  
(b) Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$ .
11. Let  $F_1, F_2, \dots$  be the Fibonacci numbers, defined by  $F_1 = F_2 = 1$ ,  $F_{n+2} = F_n + F_{n+1}$ . Let  $r_n = F_{n+1}/F_n$ .  
(a) Prove the sequences  $(r_{2n})_1^\infty$  and  $(r_{2n-1})_1^\infty$  are monotone.  
(b) Prove  $(r_n)_1^\infty$  converges, and find its limit.