- (1) Give an example of each of the following, or show that no such example is possible.
  - (a) A sequence with no convergent subsequences.
  - (b) A sequence  $(a_n)$  such that  $(a_{3k})$  converges to 1,  $(a_{3k+1})$  converges to 3 and  $(a_{3k+2})$  converges to 6.
  - (c) A sequence  $(x_n)$  such that the subsequence  $x_{3k}$  converges to 3 and the subsequence  $x_{7k}$  converges to 7.
  - (d) A sequence that has subsequences that converge to every natural number n.
- (2) Use subsequences to prove that the sequence  $x_n = \frac{n(-1)^n}{n+1}$  diverges.
- (3) Prove that if the subsequences  $(a_{2k})$  and  $(a_{2k+1})$  both converge to the same limit a, then the sequence  $(a_n)$  converges to a.
- (4) Use the result of Problem #3 to prove that the sequence  $x_n = \frac{n+(-1)^n}{n+1}$  converges, and find its limit.
- (5) Let  $z_1 = \sqrt{2}$  and  $z_{n+1} = 6 2|z_n 3|$ . Prove that  $(z_n)$  has a subsequence that converges.
- (6) Let  $a_1 = 5$  and  $a_{n+1} = -\frac{1}{2}a_n + 4$ . Prove  $(a_n)$  converges and find its limit.
- (7) Let  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_{n+1} = \pi \sin(x_n)$  for  $n \ge 1$ . Prove  $(x_n)$  has a convergent subsequence.
- (8) Let  $z_1 = 1$  and  $z_{n+1} = \frac{2}{3}z_n(6-z_n)$ . Prove that  $(z_n)$  has a subsequence that converges.
- (9) Prove that every sequence has a monotone subsequence.
- (10) Prove that there exists a sequence that has subsequences that converge to every real number.
- (11) Define  $a_1 = 1$  and  $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{5 2a_n}$ . Show that the sequence  $(a_n)$  is contractive.
- (12) Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence of real numbers defined by

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_{n+2} = \frac{1}{3}(2x_{n+1} + x_n), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Show that  $(x_n)$  is convergent and find its limit.

(13) If  $x_1 > 0$  and  $x_{n+1} = (2 + x_n)^{-1}$  for  $n \ge 1$ , show that the sequence  $(x_n)$  is contractive.