

1. You all know the Fibonacci sequence  $1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, \dots$ . It is the sequence inductively defined by  $a_1 = a_2 = 1$  and

$$a_{n+1} = a_n + a_{n-1}$$

- (a) Determine whether  $a_n$  converges or diverges.

For  $n \geq 2$ , define the sequence of successive ratios of  $a_n$  by

$$r_n = \frac{a_n}{a_{n-1}}$$

- (b) Write the first six terms of  $r_n$ .
- (c) Find a recurrence for  $r_n$ . In particular, find a formula for  $r_{n+1}$  in terms of only  $r_n$ .
- (d) Even though  $r_n$  is not monotone, take my word for it that it has a limit. Use your answer for part (c) to find it symbolically.
- (e) Determine whether  $\sum r_n$  converges or diverges.
2. Consider the sequence inductively defined by  $a_1 = 1$  and

$$a_{n+1} = \sqrt{1 + a_n}$$

- (a) Write the first six terms of  $a_n$ , accurate to 3 decimal digits.
- (b) Use induction to show that this sequence is monotonically increasing.
- (c) Use induction to show that this sequence is bounded above by 10.  
Hence by the Monotone Sequence Theorem,  $a_n$  converges.
- (d) Find the limit of  $a_n$  symbolically.