## Due Date: October, 10th 2019

Problems Due: 2, 3

- 1. Find the limit points of  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  with  $x_n = \{\alpha n\}$  where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\{x\} :=$  is the fractional part of x.
- 2. For  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  given in each of the following, please compute  $\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n}$  and determine if the sequence  $\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n}$  has a limit point  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  which is greater than or equal to 1.

(a) 
$$x_n = \frac{1}{n}$$
  
(b)  $x_n = \frac{2^n}{n!}$ ,  
(c)  $x_n = nb^n$ , for  $b \in (0, 1)$   
(d)  $x_n = \frac{n!}{n^n}$   
(e)  $x_n = \frac{n!}{n^n}$   
(f)  $x_n = \frac{(n!)^2}{n^n}$   
(g)  $x_n = \frac{2n!}{n^{2n}}$   
(h)  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and for  $n \ge 0, x_n =$   
(i)  $x_n = n^{\frac{1}{n^2}}$ 

 $\frac{x^n}{n!}$ 

- 3. For  $\{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  given in each of the following, please compute  $y_n^{\frac{1}{n}}$  and determine if  $y_n^{\frac{1}{n}}$  has a limit point  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  which is greater than or equal to 1.
  - (a)  $y_n = \left(\frac{n}{2n+1}\right)^n$ (b)  $y_n = \frac{2^n}{n!}$ (c)  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and for  $n \ge 0$ ,  $y_n = n^n x^n$ (d)  $y_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2^k} & \text{if } n = 2k - 1, k \ge 1 \\ \frac{1}{3^k} & \text{if } n = 2k, k \ge 1 \end{cases}$ (e)  $y_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2^{2k-1}} & \text{if } n = 2k - 1, k \ge 1 \\ \frac{4}{2^{2k}} & \text{if } n = 2k, k \ge 1 \end{cases}$

**Puzzle :** In G-25, Siva has two bags, 50 red balls and 50 black balls. He distributes the balls between the two bags in an arbitrary manner. Yogesh walks into the room : chooses a bag at random and then chooses a ball at random from the bag. He draws a red ball. Yogesh then asks Siva the following question: Can you find the arrangement of the balls in the two bags so that when Anita chooses a bag at random and then a ball at random from the balls in the chosen bag, the probability that she chooses a black ball is maximized ?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Office hours: I will be in my office from 9am-10am Monday, 8am-9am Tue and Thu, 10:00-11:00am Tue to answer any questions that you may have. Please feel free to drop by during these times to clarify any doubts that you may have.