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CALCULUS – EVALUATION TEST 7

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Problem 1. Consider the sequence of real numbers $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ where

$$a_n = \sqrt{n} \frac{2 \cos(\pi (n+1)/2)}{1+n}$$
, with $n = 1, 2, 3, ...$

- (a) Study whether the sequence is monotone and bounded.
- (b) Calculate $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n$.

Problem 2. Find *all* values of the parameter $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \, \frac{(2\alpha)^{3n}}{7^n \sqrt[3]{n^2 + n}}$$

is convergent.

Problem 3. Approximate the value

$$\ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

by a polynomial of suitable degree such that the involved error is smaller than 10^{-2} .

Problem 4. Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{1-x} \arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right), & \text{if } 0 < x \le 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x = 0, \\ \frac{\cos(x) - 1}{x}, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Study whether f(x) is continuous at x = 0.
- (b) Find the exact number of real solutions of the equation f(x) = -1 in the interval (0, 1/2].