Math330 HW4 (Fall 2020)

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Problem 1 Use the formal definition of a Cauchy sequence to show that the sequence

$$\{a_n\} = \left\{\frac{n+5}{6n+1}\right\}$$

is a Cauchy sequence.

Problem 2 Let a sequence $\{a_n\}$ satisfying the condition

 $\forall c \in (0,1), \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, |a_{n+2} - a_{n+1}| < c|a_{n+1} - a_n|.$

1. Show that

$$\forall c \in (0,1), n \ge 2, |a_{n+1} - a_n| < c^{n-1}|a_2 - a_1|.$$

2. Show that a_n is a Cauchy sequence.

Problem 3 Let S be the set of points defined by

$$S = \left\{ n \in \mathbb{N} : 1 - \frac{(-1)^n}{n} \right\}.$$

Show that $\sup S = 2$ and $\inf S = 1/2$.

Problem 4 Let S be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} that is bounded above, and let a be any number in \mathbb{R} . Define the set $a + S := \{a + s : s \in S\}$. Prove that

 $\sup(a+S) = a + \sup S.$