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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

SECTION 1.1

Math 2000 Worksheet

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For practice only. Not to be submitted.

1. Simplify each of the following.

(a)
$$\frac{(2i)!}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2i)}$$

(b)
$$\frac{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdots (2i)}{5 \cdot 10 \cdot 15 \cdots (5i)}$$

2. Write the first five terms of the sequence defined by each of the following general terms a_i .

(a)
$$a_i = \frac{\sin\left(\frac{i\pi}{2}\right)}{i^2}$$

(b)
$$a_i = (-1)^{i+1} \frac{1+i}{i!}$$

(c)
$$a_1 = 4$$
, $a_{i+1} = \frac{a_i}{a_i + 2}$

3. Find a formula, indexed from i = 1, for the general term a_i of each of the following sequences (assuming that the pattern of the first few terms continues).

(a)
$$\left\{ \frac{1}{8}, \frac{2}{27}, \frac{3}{64}, \frac{4}{125}, \dots \right\}$$

(b)
$$\{-3, 8, -13, 18, \ldots\}$$

(c)
$$\{10, 2, 10, 2, \ldots\}$$