1. Suppose that $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ and that S is nonempty and bounded. Show that for every $\epsilon > 0$ there is some $x \in S$ such that

$$\sup(S) - \epsilon < x \le \sup(S)$$

(We have used this result in proofs already without showing it explicitly. The proof is very short!)

2. Let $\{n_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ be a subsequence of $\{n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Show that $i \leq n_i$ for every $i \in \mathbb{N}$. (A result that appears obvious, so let's prove it.)

The next two problems deal with intervals of \mathbb{R} . We didn't formally define intervals in class, but the meaning (as a set) is the same as that used in calculus. See the beginning of Section 1.4 of the text for the formal definition.

- 3. Show that
 - (a) Every closed interval can be expressed as the intersection of a countable number of open intervals.
 - (b) Every open interval can be expressed as the union of a countable number of closed intervals.
- 4. Show that if S is a set of disjoint open intervals in \mathbb{R} then S is countable.
- 5. Find $\lim_{n\to\infty} 2^{-n}$ and prove your result. Do not make use of logarithms in your proof; use only techniques and results developed in the course so far.
- 6. Find $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{n}{n^2+1}$ and prove your result.
- 7. Suppose that $S \subset \mathbb{R}$ and that S is nonempty and bounded. Show that there exists a monotone increasing sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that $x_n \in S$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = \sup(S)$.
- 8. Prove that there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ with the property that for each $y \in \mathbb{R}$ there is a subsequence $\{x_{n_i}\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ with $x_{n_i} \to y$.
- 9. On Assignment 1 we proved that $n^2 < 2^n$ for $n \ge 5$. Prove that

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{n^2}{2^n}=0\ .$$