MATH3210(001) - Quiz 1 February 9, 2024 Solution

Proofs and justifications should be written in **complete sentences** with **correct logical flow**.

Problem 1. Using the definition of a limit (and not the Limit Arithmetic Theorem), show that if $a_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1}}$, then $a_n \to 1$.

Proof. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then choose any natural number N such that $N > (1/\varepsilon - 1)^2$ which is possible by the Archimedian property. With this choice, if $n \ge N$,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} n &> (1/\varepsilon-1)^2 \\ \sqrt{n} &> 1/\varepsilon-1 & [\text{both positive}] \\ \sqrt{n}+1 &> 1/\varepsilon \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}+1} &< \varepsilon & [\text{both positive}] \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{n}-\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}+1} &< \varepsilon \\ \left|\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}+1}-1\right| &< \varepsilon \end{array}$$

Hence by definition of sequence convergence, $a_n \rightarrow 1$.