MATH 150A-QUIZ 2, WINTER 2019

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1 (5 pts). Show that $\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2n}\right)^n = \sqrt{e}$.

2 (5 pts). Define a sequence by

$$b_1 = \sqrt{2}, \ b_2 = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}},$$

and, in general,

$$b_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + b_n}$$

and, in general, $b_{n+1} = \sqrt{2 + b_n}.$ Prove by induction that $\{b_n\}$ is monotone increasing, bounded, and $b_n < 2$. Compute $\lim b_n$.