

Homework 8

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P 1. Determine the values of p for which the series converges or diverges, explain.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(1+n^2)^p$$

Solution:

Divergence Test

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n(1+n^2)^p = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{if } p > 0 \\ -\infty, & \text{if } p < 0 \end{cases}$$

If $p = 0$ then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(1+n^2)^p = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 0 = 0.$$

So,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n(1+n^2)^p$$

diverges, by the divergence test, for $p \neq 0$ and converges, since we found the sum, for $p = 0$.

P 2. Determine if the series converges or diverges, explain.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sin \frac{1}{n^2}$$

Solution: Done in class.