

Quiz 3. Solutions

Which of the series converge or diverge?

Give reason for your answers

$$\textcircled{1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{n^2\sqrt{n}}$$

Solution: Note that when n is getting large the n th-term

$$a_n = \frac{n+1}{n^2\sqrt{n}} \text{ is getting closer to } \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n}} = b_n$$

Then we may want to compare the series $\sum a_n$ with the series $\sum \frac{1}{n\sqrt{n}} = \sum \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$ which is a convergent p -series (with $p = 3/2 > 1$)

by limit comparison test

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n+1}{n^2\sqrt{n}}}{\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} = \frac{1+0}{1} = 1 > 0$$

Therefore $\sum \frac{n+1}{n^2\sqrt{n}}$ (converges).