

Exercise 2

In exercises 1–10 determine whether the given sum over \mathbb{N} is convergent or not:

- * 1. $\sum_n \frac{1}{n^{1/2}}$
- * 2. $\sum_n \frac{1}{n^{3/2}}$
- ** 3. $\sum_n \frac{1}{n \ln n}$
- ** 4. $\sum_n \frac{1}{n \ln^2 n}$
- ** 5. $\sum_n \frac{\ln n}{n^2}$
- * 6. $\sum_n \frac{(-1)^n}{n}$
- ** 7. $\sum_n \frac{(-1)^n}{n^{1/2}}$
- ** 8. $\sum_n \frac{\cos n}{n}$
- *** 9. $\sum_n \frac{\tan n}{n}$
- ** 10. $\sum_n \sin n$

In exercises 11–13 determine whether the given sum over the primes is convergent or not:

- ** 11. $\sum_p \frac{1}{p \ln p}$
- *** 12. $\sum_p \frac{(-1)^p}{p}$
- *** 13. $\sum_p \frac{(-1)^p}{\sqrt{p}}$
- **** 14. Show that there are an infinity of primes of the form $3m + 2$, where m is a positive integer.
- **** 15. Show that there are an infinity of primes of the form $6m - 1$.
- ***** 16. Show that if n is even then any prime factor of $n^2 + 1$ is of the form $4m + 1$. [This may require knowledge of quadratic residues, which will be met in Chapter 9.]
Hence show that there are an infinity of primes of the form $4m + 1$.
- *** 17. Determine $\zeta(2)$.
- **** 18. Determine $\zeta(4)$.
- **** 19. Show that the two forms of the Prime Number Theorem, $\pi(x) \sim \frac{x}{\log x}$ and $p_n \sim n \log$ are equivalent, ie each can be derived from the other.
- *** 20. Factorise your 8-digit college ID. [The Linux machines on the maths system, eg hamilton, have a program “factor” (or possibly “/usr/games/factor”).]
- ** 21. Estimate $\sum_{n=10}^{100} \frac{1}{n^2}$.
- *** 22. Estimate the probability that there is no prime among the college ID’s of a class of 60.