

3. [8 points]

a. [5 points] Show that the following limit converges and compute the limit. Fully justify your answer including using **proper limit notation**.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \right)$$

Solution:

We use L'Hospital's Rule twice to find this limit.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right)}{\frac{1}{n^2}} \\ &\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{n^2} \right)}{-\frac{2}{n^3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \sin \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \left(\frac{1}{n} \right)}{\frac{1}{n}} \\ &\stackrel{\text{LH}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Answer: $\frac{1}{2}$

b. [3 points] Use part **a.** to determine if the following series converges or diverges, and circle the corresponding word. **Fully justify** your answer including using **proper notation** and showing mechanics of any tests you use.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \right)$$

Circle one:

Converges

Diverges

Justification:

Solution: From **a.** we know that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0$$

and so by the n th term test for divergence, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \right)$ diverges.