

Does  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n + \cos n}{n^2 + \sin n}$  diverge, converge absolutely, or converge conditionally?

### Solution

The function  $f(x) = \frac{2x + \cos x}{x^2 + \sin x}$  is continuous, positive, and decreasing. We do the following indefinite integral with the substitution  $u = x^2 + \sin x$  to get

$$\int \frac{2x + \cos x}{x^2 + \sin x} dx = \int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln |u| + C = \ln |x^2 + \sin x| + C.$$

So the definite, improper integral evaluates

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{2x + \cos x}{x^2 + \sin x} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{2x + \cos x}{x^2 + \sin x} dx \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (\ln |t^2 + \sin t| - \ln |1^2 + \sin 1|) \\ &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

Since the integral  $\int \frac{2x + \cos x}{x^2 + \sin x} dx$  diverges, the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2n + \cos n}{n^2 + \sin n}$  diverges.