

Limits

Indeterminate Forms: $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ $\frac{0}{0}$ 1^∞ ∞^0 $\infty \times 0$...

L'Hospital's Rule:

if $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ reduces to $\frac{0}{0}$ or $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$

then differentiate numerator & denominator till the form is removed.

$$\text{i.e. } \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

if we get the form $\frac{0}{0}$ or $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ again, then we will differentiate it again

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f''(x)}{g''(x)}$$

Ex 1

Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^6 - 24x - 16}{x^3 + 2x - 12}$

Soln :

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^6 - 24x - 16}{x^3 + 2x - 12} \quad \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

by L'Hospital's rule

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{6x^5 - 24}{3x^2 + 2}$$

$$\frac{6(2)^5 - 24}{3(2)^2 + 2} = \frac{168}{14} = 12$$

Frequently used Series Expansions:

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$a^x = 1 + \frac{x \cdot \log a}{1!} + \frac{(\log a)^2 x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + \frac{nx}{1!} + \frac{n(n-1)x^2}{2!} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\log(1+x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots$$

$$\frac{x^m - a^m}{x - a} = x^{m-1} + x^{m-2}a + x^{m-3}a^2 + \dots + a^{m-1}$$

$$(1+x)^{1/x} = e \left[1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{11x^2}{24} + \dots \right]$$

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

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$$\cos x = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$\tan x = x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2}{15}x^5 + \frac{17}{315}x^7 + \dots$$

$$\sin^{-1} x = x + \frac{1^2}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1 \cdot 3^2}{5!}x^5 + \frac{1^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5^2}{7!}x^7 + \dots$$

$$\tan^{-1} x = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots$$

$$\sec^{-1} x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{5x^4}{4!} + \frac{61x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$(\sin^{-1} x)^2 = \frac{2}{2!}x^2 + \frac{2 \cdot 2^2}{4!}x^4 + \frac{2 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 4^2}{6!}x^6 + \dots$$

$$x \cot x = 1 - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{45} - \frac{2x^7}{945} + \dots$$

$$\sec x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{5x^4}{24} + \frac{61x^6}{720} + \dots$$

$$x \operatorname{cosec} x = 1 + x^2 + \frac{1}{3}x^4 + \frac{1}{315}x^6 + \dots$$

$$x \operatorname{cosec} x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{7x^4}{360} + \frac{31x^6}{15120} + \dots$$

① Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \tan 2x - 2x \tan x}{(1 - \cos 2x)^2}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \left[2x + \frac{2^3 x^3}{3} + \frac{2^5 x^5}{15} + \dots \right] - 2x \left[x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots \right]}{(2 \sin^2 x)^2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4 \left[\frac{8}{3} - \frac{2}{3} \right] + x^6 \left[\frac{64}{15} - \frac{4}{15} \right] + \dots}{4 \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)^4} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (ans).}$$

② Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3 - x^2 \log x + \log x - 1}{x^2 - 1}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x^3 - 1) - (x^2 - 1) \log x}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3 - 1}{x^2 - 1} = 3/2 \quad (\text{Caus})$$

③ Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2a} \frac{\sqrt{x-2a} + \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{2a}}{\sqrt{x^2 - 4a^2}}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2a} \frac{\sqrt{x-2a} + \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{2a}}{\sqrt{(x-2a)(x+2a)}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2a} \frac{\sqrt{x-2a} + \frac{x-2a}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2a}}}{\sqrt{x-2a} \sqrt{x+2a}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2a} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+2a}} + \frac{\sqrt{x-2a}}{\sqrt{x+2a}(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2a})}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4a}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a}}$$

④ $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^3 - 2^3}{x - 2} = 12 \text{ (Caus)}$

⑤ Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x + x^2 + \dots + x^n - n}{x - 1}$

$x - 1$

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

ans.

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Evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)! + (n+1)!}{(n+2)! - (n+1)!}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)(n+1)! + (n+1)!}{(n+2)(n+1)! - (n+1)!}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+1)! [n+2+1]}{(n+1)! [n+2-1]}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+3}{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+3/n}{1+1/n} = 1 \quad (\text{ans})$$

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Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2+x+1} - \sqrt{x^2+1})$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2+x+1} - \sqrt{x^2+1}) \times \frac{(\sqrt{x^2+x+1} + \sqrt{x^2+1})}{\sqrt{x^2+x+1} + \sqrt{x^2+1}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x^2+x+1) - (x^2+1)}{\sqrt{x^2+x+1} + \sqrt{x^2+1}}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+x+1} + \sqrt{x^2+1}}$$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty}$

$$\sqrt{x^2+x+1} + \sqrt{x^2+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{ans})$$

8 If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2+1}{x+1} - ax - b \right) = 0$

find the values of a and b .

Given, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2+1}{x+1} - ax - b \right) = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+1 - ax^2 - ax - bx - b}{x+1} = 0$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2(1-a) - x(a+b) + (1-b)}{x+1} = 0$$

deg of num < deg of denominator

$$1-a = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad a+b = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = -1$$

9 If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2+1}{x+1} - ax - b \right) = 2$

$x \rightarrow \infty$ $(x+1)$ -
 find the values of a and b .

(10) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 + 1}{x + 1} - ax - b = \infty$

find 'a' and 'b'.

(11) Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2}$

(12) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(1 - \cos x)}{\sin^4 x}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos(1 - \cos x) / x^4}{\sin^4 x / x^4}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos\left(2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}\right)}{x^4}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x}\right)^4$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \sqrt{\frac{\sin\left(\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}\right) \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{2}}{\sin^2 x}}$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{4 \frac{x^2}{4}}$$

$$= 2 \times \frac{1}{4^2} = \frac{1}{8} \text{ (ans)}$$