

L' Hospital Rule

1. (a) $f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \sin \frac{1}{x}}{\sin x}, \quad g(x) = \sin x \quad \therefore \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x \sin \frac{1}{x} - \cos \frac{1}{x}}{x \cos x}$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos \frac{1}{x}$ does not exist, we cannot apply L'hospital rule.

(b) $f(x) = x - \sin x, \quad g(x) = x + \sin x \quad \therefore \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x}$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \cos x$ does not exist, we cannot apply L'hospital rule.

(c) $f(x) = 2x + \sin 2x, \quad g(x) = (2x \sin x) e^{\sin x} \quad \therefore \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{e^{\sin x} (x \sin x \cos x + \sin x + x \cos x)}$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \cos 2x)$ does not exist, we cannot apply L'hospital rule.

2. (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1 - \tan x}{\cos 2x} \quad (0/0 \text{ form}) \quad (\text{LHR}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{-\sec^2 x}{-2 \sin 2x} = \frac{\sec^2 \frac{\pi}{4}}{2 \sin \frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{(\sqrt{2})^2}{2(1)} = \underline{\underline{1}}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{1 - 2 \sin x}{\cos 3x} \quad (0/0 \text{ form}) \quad (\text{LHR}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{6}} \frac{-2 \cos x}{-3 \sin 3x} = \frac{2 \cos \frac{\pi}{6}}{3 \sin \frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)}{3(1)} = \underline{\underline{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}}}$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\tan x}{\tan 3x} \quad (\infty/\infty \text{ form}) \quad (\text{LHR}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sec^2 x}{3 \sec^2 3x} = \frac{1}{3} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos 3x}{\cos x} \right)^2 \stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \frac{1}{3} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{-3 \sin 3x}{-\sin x} \right)^2 = \underline{\underline{3}}$

(d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} (\pi - x) \tan \frac{x}{2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} y \tan \frac{\pi - y}{2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} y \cot \frac{y}{2} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{\tan \frac{y}{2}} \stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \frac{y}{2}} = \underline{\underline{2}}$

(e) $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right)^3 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{x^2 \sin x} - \frac{1}{x \sin^2 x} \right) \right]$
 $= \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x}{x \sin x} \right)^3 + 3 \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin x - 2x}{x^2 - x^2 \cos 2x} = (L_1)^3 + 3L_2 \quad (\text{correspondingly})$

Apply LHR to both L_1 and L_2 , $L_1 \stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x + x \cos x} \stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{2 \cos x - x \cos x} = \frac{0}{2(1) - 0} = 0$

$$L_2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin x - 2x}{x^2 - x^2 \cos 2x} \stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1}{x - x \cos 2x + x^2 \sin^2 x}$$

$$\stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x}{1 - \cos 2x + 2x \sin 2x + 2x \sin 2x + 2x^2 \cos 2x}$$

$$\stackrel{(\text{LHR})}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos x}{2 \sin 2x + 4 \sin 2x + 8x \cos 2x + 4x \cos 2x - 4x^2 \sin 2x} = \frac{-1}{0} = \infty \quad \therefore \quad L = \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned}
2. \quad (f) \quad L &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(\sin x) - \cos x}{x^4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin \frac{x + \sin x}{2} \sin \frac{x - \sin x}{2}}{x^4} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \sin^2 x}{x^4} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x + \sin x}{2}}{\frac{x + \sin x}{2}} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{x - \sin x}{2}}{\frac{x - \sin x}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} L_1 L_2 L_3 \quad (\text{correspondingly}) \\
L_2 = L_3 &= 1 \quad \text{as} \quad \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
L_1 &= \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x - 2 \sin x \cos x}{4x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x - \sin 2x}{4x^3} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 - 2 \cos 2x}{12x^2} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4 \sin 2x}{24x} \\
&= \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{8 \cos 2x}{24} = \frac{8}{24} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \therefore \quad L = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times 1 \times 1 = \frac{1}{6}
\end{aligned}$$

$$(g) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - x \cos x}{x - \sin x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x + x \sin x}{1 - \cos x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin x + x \cos x}{\sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(2 + \frac{x}{\sin x} \cos x \right) = 3 \equiv$$

$$(h) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x - x}{x - \sin x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sec^2 x - 1}{1 - \cos x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - 1}{1 - \cos x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + \cos x}{\cos^2 x} = \frac{1+1}{1} = 2$$

$$3. \quad (a) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{2x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(b) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x^3} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sec^2 x}{3x^2} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^2 x}{3x^2} = -\frac{1}{3} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} \right)^2 = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$(c) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (\sec x - \tan x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\cos x} - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1 - \sin x}{\cos x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{-\cos x}{-\sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \cot x = 0$$

$$(d) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x^2 - 1) \tan \frac{\pi x}{2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{\cot \frac{\pi x}{2}} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2x}{-\csc^2 \frac{\pi x}{2}} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(2x \sin^2 \frac{\pi x}{2} \right) = -2$$

$$(e) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{4+x} - \sqrt{4-x}}{x} = \lim_{(LHR)} \frac{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{4+x}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{4-x}}}{1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(f) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\sqrt{3x} - \sqrt{12-x}}{2x - 3\sqrt{19-5x}} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 3} \frac{\frac{3}{2\sqrt{3x}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{12-x}}}{2 + \frac{15}{2\sqrt{19-5x}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6}}{2 + \frac{15}{4}} = \frac{8}{69}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(g) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(x^2 - \frac{x}{\tan \frac{1}{x}} \right) &= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{1}{y \tan y} \right) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{\cos y}{y \sin y} \right) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin y - y \cos y}{y^2 \sin y} \right) \\
&= \lim_{(LHR) y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos y - \cos y + y \sin y}{y^2 \cos y + 2y \sin y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin y}{y \cos y + 2 \sin y} = \lim_{(LHR) y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos y}{\cos y - y \sin y + 2 \cos y} = \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

\therefore Result follows by replacing x by positive integral of n .

4. (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + \tan x}{\sin 2x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + \sec^2 x}{2 \cos 2x} = \frac{1+1}{2(1)} = \underline{\underline{1}}$
- (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{\tan y} = \underline{\underline{1}}$
- (c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2x} - 1}{\ln(1+x)} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2e^{2x}}{1/(1+x)} = \frac{2}{1/1} = \underline{\underline{2}}$
- (d) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x \ln a}{1} = \underline{\underline{\ln a}}$
- (e) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^3 e^{-x} = \lim_{(LHR) e^x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3x^2}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6x}{e^x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{e^x} = \underline{\underline{0}}$
- (f) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \sin x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{\csc x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1/x}{-\csc x \cot x} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\sin x \tan x}{x} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\sin x \sec^2 x + \cos x \tan x) = \underline{\underline{0}}$
- (g) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \csc x \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right) \quad , \text{ see } 2(e)$
- (h) $\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x}{x-1} - \frac{1}{\ln x} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{x \ln x - x + 1}{(x-1)\ln x} \right) = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x(1/x) + \ln x - 1}{(x-1)(1/x) + \ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x \ln x}{x-1 + x \ln x} \\ &= \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x(1/x) + \ln x}{1 + x(1/x) + \ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1 + \ln x}{2 + \ln x} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2}}} \end{aligned}$
- (i) $\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (\tan 5x - \tan x) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \left(\frac{\sin 5x}{\cos 5x} - \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin 5x \cos x - \cos 5x \sin x}{\cos 5x \cos x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin 4x}{\cos 5x \cos x} \\ &= \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{4 \cos 4x}{-\cos 5x \sin x - 5 \sin 5x \cos x} = \frac{4(1)}{-0-0} = \underline{\underline{\infty}} \end{aligned}$
- (j) $\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(e^x + x^2)}{x^2} &= \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{e^x + x^2}(e^x + 2x)}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x + 2x}{2x(e^x + x^2)} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x + 2}{2(e^x + x^2) + 2x(e^x + 2x)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x + 2}{e^x + 3x^2 + xe^x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{e^x + 6x + e^x + xe^x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{2e^x + 6x + xe^x} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{2e^x + 6 + e^x + xe^x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{3e^x + 6 + xe^x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x}{3e^x + e^x + xe^x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{4+x} = \underline{\underline{0}} \end{aligned}$
- (k) $y = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{\frac{1}{x}} \Rightarrow \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1/x}{1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x} = 0 \Rightarrow y = e^0 = \underline{\underline{1}}$
- (l) $y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^{\sin x} \Rightarrow \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln x}{1/\sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln x}{\csc x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1/x}{-\csc x \cot x} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \tan x}{x} \\ = -\lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x \sec^2 x + \tan x \cos x}{1} = 0 \Rightarrow y = e^0 = \underline{\underline{1}}$
- (m) $y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x \Rightarrow \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{1/x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1/x}{-1/x^2} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \Rightarrow y = e^0 = \underline{\underline{1}}$
- (n) $y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} x^{\frac{1}{1-x}} \Rightarrow \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln x}{1-x} = \lim_{(LHR) x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1/x}{-1} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{x} = -1 \Rightarrow y = e^{-1} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{e}}}$