

The Weekly Rigor

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“A mathematician is a machine for turning coffee into theorems.”

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51 Problems in Calculating Limits Using L'Hôpital's Rule with Solutions (Part 2)

ANSWERS

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| 1. ∞ | 18. $\frac{\ln(5)}{6}$ | 35. $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 2. 2 | 19. -2 | 36. 0 |
| 3. $-\frac{1}{6}$ | 20. $\frac{1}{\ln(2)}$ | 37. $\frac{3}{2}$ |
| 4. $\frac{1}{2}$ | 21. 1 | 38. $-\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 5. $-\frac{1}{\pi^2}$ | 22. 1 | 39. 2 |
| 6. 1 | 23. -2 | 40. 1 |
| 7. 0 | 24. 0 | 41. e^4 |
| 8. $\frac{1}{2}$ | 25. 0 | 42. 1 |
| 9. 0 | 26. 0 | 43. e |
| 10. $\frac{2}{3}$ | 27. -2 | 44. $\frac{1}{e}$ |
| 11. $\frac{1}{2}$ | 28. 0 | 45. 1 |
| 12. 4 | 29. 1 | 46. $\frac{1}{e}$ |
| 13. 0 | 30. 0 | 47. $e^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| 14. 1 | 31. 1 | 48. e^4 |
| 15. $\frac{1}{2}$ | 32. $\ln(2)$ | 49. e^x |
| 16. -1 | 33. 0 | 50. e^x |
| 17. 0 | 34. $-\frac{1}{2}$ | 51. e^{rt} |

SOLUTIONS

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{3x}}{x^2} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3e^{3x}}{2x} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9e^{3x}}{2} = \infty.$
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(2x)}{\ln(1+x)} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sec^2(2x)}{\frac{1}{1+x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sec^2(2x)}{1} \cdot \frac{1+x}{1} = \frac{2 \sec^2(0)}{1} \cdot \frac{1+0}{1} = 2 \cdot 1 = 2.$
3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x) - x}{x^3} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x) - 1}{3x^2} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin(x)}{6x} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos(x)}{6} = \frac{-\cos(0)}{6} = -\frac{1}{6}.$
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{\sin(2x)} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x}{2 \cos(2x)} = \frac{e^0}{2 \cos(0)} = \frac{1}{2(1)} = \frac{1}{2}.$
5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1-x+\ln(x)}{1+\cos(\pi x)} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-1+\frac{1}{x}}{-\pi \sin(\pi x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x-1}{\pi x \sin(\pi x)} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{\pi \sin(\pi x) + \pi^2 x \cos(\pi x)} =$
 $= \frac{1}{\pi \sin(\pi) + \pi^2 \cos(\pi)} = \frac{1}{\pi(0) + \pi^2(-1)} = \frac{-1}{\pi^2}.$
6. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\theta} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(\theta)}{1} = \frac{\cos(0)}{1} = \frac{1}{1} = 1.$
7. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-\cos(\theta)}{\theta} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\theta)}{1} = \frac{\sin(0)}{1} = \frac{0}{1} = 0.$
8. $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-\cos(t)}{t^2} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(t)}{2t} \stackrel{LH}{\cong} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(t)}{2} = \frac{\cos(0)}{2} = \frac{1}{2}.$

“Only he who never plays, never loses.”