

Pr. 1

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^n + 3^n + 5 \cdot 2^{n-1}}{4^n + 3^n}$$

Trick 2: factor out the exponential term with the highest base.

The largest base here is 4, so factor 4^n from numerator and denominator.

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4^n \left(\frac{2^n}{4^n} + \frac{3^n}{4^n} + 5 \cdot \frac{2^{n-1}}{4^n} \right)}{4^n \left(1 + \frac{3^n}{4^n} \right)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\left(\frac{2}{4} \right)^n + \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^n + 5 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{4} \right)^n \right)}{1 + \left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^n}.$$

Since $0 < \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} < 1$ and $0 < \frac{3}{4} < 1$, both $\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^n$ and $\left(\frac{3}{4} \right)^n$ go to 0. Thus

$$= \frac{0 + 0 + 0}{1 + 0} = 0.$$

Pr. 2

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} - n \right)$$

Trick 3: multiply by the conjugate (same expression with opposite sign).

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \left(\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} - n \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} - n)(\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} + n)}{\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} + n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \frac{(n^2 + 3n + 1) - n^2}{\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} + n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \frac{3n + 1}{\sqrt{n^2 + 3n + 1} + n}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us simplify further by factoring out n^2 from inside the root, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \frac{3n + 1}{n \sqrt{1 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}} + n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n} \frac{3n + 1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}} + 1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3n + 1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}} + 1}$$

This limit diverges and goes to infinity because the numerator grows as $3n$ and the denominator tends to 2.