

Pages from Infinitesimal Assignment

Wang Yue from CS Elite Class

October 22, 2020

1 Calculate the following limits.

1.1 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\cos \frac{x}{n})^{n^2}$

\because cosine function is continuous function,

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos(\frac{x}{n}) = \cos \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{n} = \cos 0 = 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\cos \frac{x}{n})^{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1^{n^2} = 1$$

1.2 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2^x - x^2}{x - 2}$

Let $f(x) = 2^x$, and obviously $f'(x) = 2^x \ln 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2^x - x^2}{x - 2} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2^x - 4 - (x^2 - 4)}{x - 2} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{2^x - 4}{x - 2} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} (x + 2) \\ &= f'(2) + 4 \\ &= 4(1 + \ln 2) \end{aligned}$$