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Q1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{[1 - \tan(\frac{x}{2})][1 - \sin x]}{[1 + \tan(\frac{x}{2})][\pi - 2x]^3}$ is equal to

A. $\frac{1}{8}$

B. 0

C. $\frac{1}{32}$

D. ∞

Ans: $\frac{1}{32}$

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\tan(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{x}{2})(1 - \sin x)}{(\pi - 2x)^3}$

Let, $x = \frac{\pi}{2} + y$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan(\frac{-y}{2})(1 - \cos y)}{(-2y)^3}$

$= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\tan \frac{y}{2} \cdot 2 \sin^2 \frac{y}{2}}{(-8)y^3} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{32} \frac{\tan \frac{y}{2}}{(\frac{y}{2})} \cdot \left[\frac{\sin \frac{y}{2}}{\frac{y}{2}} \right]^2$

$= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{32} \times \frac{\tan \frac{y}{2}}{(\frac{y}{2})} \cdot \left(\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \frac{y}{2}}{\frac{y}{2}} \right)^2$

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} = 1$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{32} \times 1 \times 1^2$
 $= \frac{1}{32}$

Q2. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^3(\sin x)}{\sin x \sin(\sin x) \cos(\sin x)}$ is equal to

A. $\frac{3}{2}$

B. 1

C. 0

D. 2

Ans: $\frac{3}{2}$

Solution: Let, $\sin x = t$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^3 t}{t \sin t \cos t}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 - \cos t)}{t^2} \times \left(\frac{t}{\sin t} \right) \times \frac{(1 + \cos t + \cos^2 t)}{\cos t}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times \frac{(1+1+1)}{1} = \frac{3}{2}$

Q3. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2 \tan(\frac{1}{x})}{\sqrt{4x^2 - x + 1}}$ is equal to

A. 1

B. $\frac{1}{2}$

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C. -1 D. $-\frac{1}{2}$ Ans: $-\frac{1}{2}$

$$\text{Solution: } \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^{\frac{\tan(\frac{1}{x})}{(\frac{1}{x})}}}{-x\sqrt{4-\frac{1}{x}+\frac{1}{x^2}}} = \frac{1}{-\sqrt{4}} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Q4.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x \sqrt{\tan x} - \sin x \sqrt{\sin x}}{x^3 \sqrt{x}} \text{ equals}$$

A. $\frac{1}{4}$ B. $\frac{3}{4}$ C. $\frac{1}{2}$

D. 1

Ans: $\frac{3}{4}$

Solution:

$$\text{Let, } L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x \sqrt{\tan x} - \sin x \sqrt{\sin x}}{x^3 \sqrt{x}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\tan x)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[1 - (\cos x)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]}{x^{3/2} \cdot x^2}$$

$$= 1^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^3 x}{x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + (\cos x)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \quad (\text{Rationalizing})$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} \cdot (1 + \cos x + \cos^2 x) \cdot \frac{1}{1 + (\cos x)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (1 + 1 + 1) = \frac{3}{4}.$$

$$\text{Q5. } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 - \cos x)(3 + \cos 2x)}{x \cdot \tan 2x} =$$

A. 0

B. 1

C. $\frac{1}{2}$ D. -1

Ans: 1

Solution:

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2} \cdot \frac{(3 + \cos 2x)}{1} \cdot \frac{2x}{\tan 2x} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (4) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

Q6. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^3 x}{x \sin x \cos x}$ is

A. $\frac{2}{5}$

B. $\frac{3}{5}$

C. $\frac{3}{2}$

D. $\frac{3}{4}$

Ans: $\frac{3}{2}$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos^3 x}{x \sin x \cos x}$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin^2 \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)}{x \cdot 2 \sin \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)} \times \frac{(1 + \cos x + \cos^2 x)}{\cos x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)}{2 \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)} \times \frac{1 + \cos x + \cos^2 x}{\cos \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \cos x} = \frac{1}{2} \times 3 = \frac{3}{2}$$

Q7. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^{-3} \sin 3x + ax^{-2} + b)$ exists and is equal to 0, then

A. $a = -3$ and $b = 9/2$

B. $a = 3$ and $b = 9/2$

C. $a = -3$ and $b = -9/2$

D. $a = 3$ and $b = -9/2$

Ans: $a = -3$ and $b = 9/2$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin 3x}{x^3} + \frac{a}{x^2} + b \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x + ax + bx^3}{x^3}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{3 \sin 3x + a + bx^2}{x^2}$$

limit exists if

$$3 + a = 0$$

$$\text{or } a = -3$$

$$\therefore L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 3x - 3x + bx^3}{x^3} = 27 \left(\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t - t}{t^3} + b \right) = 0 \quad \left(\text{Putting } 3x = t \right) = -\frac{27}{6} + b = 0$$

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$$\text{or } b = \frac{9}{2}$$

Q8. If $f(x)$ is a differentiable function such that $f'(1)=4$ and $f'(4)=\frac{1}{2}$, then value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x^2+x+1)-f(1)}{f(x^4-x^2+2x+4)-f(4)}$ is :-

A. 8

B. 16

C. 4

D. Does not exist

Ans: 4

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x^2+x+1)-f(1)}{f(x^4-x^2+2x+4)-f(4)} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2x+1)f'(x^2+x+1)}{(4x^3-2x+2)f'(x^4-x^2+2x+4)}$$

$$= \frac{f'(1)}{2f'(4)} = 4 \text{ (Applying L' Hospital's Rule)}$$

Q9. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2+x+2} - ax - b) = 2$, then equation of circle whose centre is $(a, 2b)$ and radius 1 unit is

A. $x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 6y + 9 = 0$

B. $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 6y + 1 = 0$

C. $x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 6y + 9 = 0$

D. none of these

$$\text{Ans: } x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 6y + 9 = 0$$

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x^2+x+2} - ax - b) = 2$$

$$a = 1; b = \frac{-3}{2} \text{ required equation is } (x-1)^2 + (y+3)^2 = 1$$

Q10. For a positive integer m , if $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(x^3 \ln\left(\frac{x+1}{x}\right) + \frac{x}{2} - x^2 \right) = \frac{1}{m}$. Then the value of m is

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 4

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Ans: 3

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^3 \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) + \frac{x}{2} - x^2$$

$$x = \frac{1}{t}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\ln(1+t)}{t^3} + \frac{1}{2t} - \frac{1}{t^2} \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \ln(1+t) + t^2 - 2t}{2t^3}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \left(t - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{t^4}{4} + \dots \right) + t^2 - 2t}{2t^3}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{t}{4} + \frac{t^2}{5} - \dots \right) = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{m} \Rightarrow m = 3.$$

Q11. The value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 4 \cdot 5^{n+1}}{5 \cdot 2^n + 7 \cdot 5^n}$ is equal to

A. $\frac{3}{5}$

B. $-\frac{4}{7}$

C. $-\frac{20}{7}$

D. 0

Ans: $-\frac{20}{7}$

Solution: $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3 \cdot 2^{n+1} - 4 \cdot 5^{n+1}}{5 \cdot 2^n + 7 \cdot 5^n}$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^n \left(6 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5} \right)^n - 20 \right)}{5^n \left(5 \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5} \right)^n + 7 \right)} = -\frac{20}{7} \left(\because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{5} \right)^n = 0 \right)$$

Q12. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(2 - \cos 15x)}{\ln^2(\sin 3x + 1)}$ is equal to

Ans: 12.5

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(2 - \cos 15x)}{\ln^2(\sin 3x + 1)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \{ 1 + (1 - \cos 15x) \}}{\ln^2(1 + \sin 3x)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos 15x}{(\sin 3x)^2} \left(\text{Applying } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = 1 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(15x)^2}{2(3x)^2} \text{ (using standard limit)}$$

$$= \frac{1(225)}{2 \times 9} = 12.5$$

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Q13. Let $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function defined as $f(x) = a \sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x]$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$, where $[t]$ is the greatest integer less than or equal to t . If $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ exists, then the value of $\int_0^4 f(x) dx$ is equal to

A. -1 B. -2 C. 1 D. 2 Ans: -2

Solution:

Given,

$$f(x) = a \sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x], a \in \mathbb{R}$$

Now given $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x)$ exists,

$$\text{So } \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^+} a \sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x] = -a + 2$$

$$\text{And } \lim_{x \rightarrow -1^-} a \sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x] = 0 + 3 = 3$$

$$\text{So, } \lim_{x \rightarrow -1} f(x) \text{ exist when } -a + 2 = 3 \Rightarrow a = -1$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^4 f(x) dx &= \int_0^1 f(x) dx + \int_1^2 f(x) dx + \int_2^3 f(x) dx + \int_3^4 f(x) dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int_0^4 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 -\sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x] dx + \int_1^2 -\sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x] dx + \int_2^3 -\sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x] dx + \int_3^4 -\sin\left(\frac{\pi[x]}{2}\right) + [2 - x] dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (0 + 1) dx + \int_1^2 (-1 + 0) dx + \int_2^3 (0 - 1) dx + \int_3^4 (1 - 2) dx \\ &= 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 = -2 \end{aligned}$$

Q14. The integer n for which $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos x - 1)(\cos x - e^x)}{x^n}$ is a finite nonzero number is

A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 Ans: 3

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{(\cos x - 1)(\cos x - e^x)}{x^n}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{x^n} \left(\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) - 1 \right) \left(\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} \dots \right) \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{x^n} \left[\left(-\frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) \left(-x - x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3!} \dots \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{-1}{x^{n-3}} \left[\left(-\frac{1}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{4!} - \dots \right) \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{3!} \dots \right) \right] \\
&\therefore \text{For } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos x - 1)(\cos x - e^x)}{x^n} \text{ to exist as a nonzero number we must have } n - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow n = 3.
\end{aligned}$$

Q15. If the largest value of the $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{x} \right)^{\frac{x}{b}}$ where a, b lies in the interval $\left[\frac{1}{5}, 403 \right]$ is e^λ , then λ equals

A. 2015

B. 2016

C. 2017

D. 2018

Ans: 2015

Solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{x} \right)^{\frac{x}{b}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{b} \left(1 + \frac{a}{x} - 1 \right)}$$

[$\cdot 1^\infty$ form]

$$= e^{\frac{a}{b}} = e^{\frac{403 \times 5}{1}} = e^{2015} \equiv e^\lambda \Rightarrow \lambda = 2015.$$

Q16. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2n^2 - 3}{2n^2 - n + 1} \right)^{\frac{n^2 - 1}{n}}$ is equal to

A. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{e}}$ B. \sqrt{e} C. e D. $\frac{1}{e}$ Ans: \sqrt{e}

Solution:

$$L = e^l$$

$$l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 - 1}{n} \left[\frac{2n^2 - 3 - 2n^2 + n - 1}{2n^2 - n + 1} \right]$$

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

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$$\therefore L = \sqrt{e}.$$

Q17. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{3^x + 3^{3-x} - 12}{3^{\frac{x}{2}} - 3^{1-x}}$ is equal to

Ans: 36

Solution: Let, $3^{\frac{x}{2}} = t, x \rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow t \rightarrow 3$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{t^2 - 12}{\frac{1}{t} - \frac{3}{t^2}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{t^4 + 27 - 12t^2}{t - 3}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 3} \frac{(t^2 - 3)(t + 3)(t - 3)}{(t - 3)} = 6 \times 6 = 36$$

Q18. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 + \tan x}{1 + \sin x} \right)^{\frac{2}{\sin x}}$ is equal to

A. 0

B. 1

C. -1

D. None of these

Ans: 1

Solution: Let, $f(x) = \frac{1 + \tan x}{1 + \sin x}$

and $g(x) = \frac{2}{\sin x}$

Clearly, $f(x) \rightarrow 1$ and $g(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 + \tan x}{1 + \sin x} \right)^{\frac{2}{\sin x}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sin x} \left(\frac{1 + \tan x}{1 + \sin x} - 1 \right)}$$

{ using $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)]^{g(x)} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)[f(x) - 1]}$ for 1^∞ form }

$$= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sin x} \left(\frac{\tan x - \sin x}{1 + \sin x} \right)} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(1 - \cos x)}{\cos x(1 + \sin x)}}$$

$$= e^0 = 1$$

Q19. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} ((x \cot x) + (x \ln x))$ is equal to

A. 1

B. 2

C. 3

D. 0

Ans: 1

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \cot x + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x}{\tan x} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \left(\frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{x}} \right)$$

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$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x}{\tan x} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = 1 + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (-x)$$

$$= 1 + 0 = 1$$

Q20. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\left[\frac{x}{3}\right]}{\ln(\sin x)}$ (where, $[\cdot]$ denotes the greatest integer function)

A. does not exist

B. is equal to 1

C. is equal to 0

D. is equal to -1

Ans: is equal to 0

Solution: $\because \frac{\pi}{6} < 1,$

$$\therefore \left[\frac{\pi}{6}\right] = 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\left[\frac{x}{3}\right]}{\ln(\sin x)} = 0$$

Q21. The $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^8 \left[\frac{1}{x^3}\right]$ (where $[x]$ is greatest integer function) is (Mark incorrect option)

A. a nonzero real number

B. a rational number

C. an integer

D. zero

Ans: a nonzero real number

Solution: Since $x - 1 \leq [x] \leq x$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$ so

$$\frac{1}{x^3} - 1 \leq \left[\frac{1}{x^3}\right] \leq \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^8 \left(\frac{1}{x^3} - 1\right) \leq x^8 \left[\frac{1}{x^3}\right] \leq x^8 \frac{1}{x^3} \text{ for all } x$$

But $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^5 = 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (x^5 - x^8)$ so

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^8 \left[\frac{1}{x^3}\right] = 0 \in \mathbf{I} \subseteq \mathbf{Q}$$

Q22. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x - a \sin x}{x^3}$ exists finitely, then the value of a is

A. 0

B. 2

C. 1

D. 4

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Ans: 2

$$\text{Solution: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x (2 \cos x - a)}{x \cdot x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right) \left(\frac{2 \cos x - a}{x^2} \right)$$

For this limit to exist finitely,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos x - a}{x^2} = \text{finite}$$

 \therefore It must be $\frac{0}{0}$ form

$$\therefore 2 \cos(0) - a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

Q23.

The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{3} \left[\frac{5}{x} \right]$ is equal to

(where, $[\cdot]$ represents the greatest integer function)

A. $\frac{1}{3}$

B. 0

C. $\frac{5}{3}$

D. 1

Ans: $\frac{5}{3}$

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{5}{x} - 1 < \left[\frac{5}{x} \right] \leq \frac{5}{x}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\sin x}{3} \left(\frac{5}{x} - 1 \right)}_{h(x)} < \underbrace{\frac{\sin x}{3} \left[\frac{5}{x} \right]}_{f(x)} \leq \underbrace{\frac{\sin x}{3} \left(\frac{5}{x} \right)}_{g(x)}$$

by sandwich theorem

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} h(x) = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = \frac{5}{3}$$

Q24.

The value of the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \left\{ \sqrt{\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right) \sqrt{\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right) \sqrt{\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right) \dots \infty}}} \right\} \text{ is}$$

A. $\frac{1}{2}$

B. -2

C. 2

D. $-\frac{1}{2}$

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Ans: $\frac{1}{2}$

Solution:

Let the given expression be y .

Then, $y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2$

$$\left\{ \sqrt{\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right)} \sqrt{\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right)} \sqrt{\left(1 - \cos \frac{1}{n}\right)} \right\}$$

On putting $\frac{1}{n} = \theta \dots \dots \infty$

So that, $n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \theta \rightarrow 0$

Thus,

$$y = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left(1 - \cos \theta\right)^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots \text{to } \infty}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\theta^2} \right)$$

$$\left\{ \because \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots \infty = 1 \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{\theta^2}$$

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} 2 \left(\frac{\sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\frac{\theta}{2}} \right)^2 \times \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= 2 \cdot 1^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Q25. The value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[x] + [2^2x] + [3^2x] + \dots + [n^2x]}{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2}$ is equal to (where $[x]$ represents the greatest integer part of x)

A. x

B. $2x$

C. $\frac{x}{2}$

D. $\frac{x}{6}$

Ans: x

$$\text{Solution: Let } f(x) = \frac{[x] + [2^2x] + [3^2x] + \dots + [n^2x]}{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2}$$

Now, we have,

$$f(x) \leq \frac{x + 2^2x + 3^2x + \dots + n^2x}{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2} = x$$

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$$\text{and, } f(x) > \frac{(x-1) + (2^2x-1) + (3^2x-1) + \dots + (n^2x-1)}{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2}$$

$$= \frac{x \sum n^2 - n}{\sum n^2} = x - \frac{6}{(n+1)(2n+1)} \quad (\because x-1 \leq [x] < x, \forall x \in \mathbb{R})$$

Thus, we have,

$$x - \frac{6}{(n+1)(2n+1)} < f(x) \leq x$$

Now, we have,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x - \frac{6}{(n+1)(2n+1)} = x \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x = x$$

Hence, by Sandwich Theorem, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = x$$

Q26. Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ be such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \tan(\alpha x)}{\beta x - \tan(2x)} = 1$, then the value of $5\beta + 3\alpha$ is :

Ans: 2.00

$$\text{Solution: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \tan(\alpha x)}{\beta x - \tan(2x)} = 1 \rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 \tan(\alpha x)}{\beta x - \left\{ 2x + \frac{(2x)^3}{3} + \frac{2(2x)^5}{15} \right\}} = 1$$

$$\rightarrow \beta = 2 \text{ and } \frac{3\alpha}{8} = -1,$$

$$\text{So, } 5\beta + 3\alpha = 2$$

Q27. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(\sin x) - \cos x}{x^4}$ is equal to

A. $\frac{1}{3}$

B. $\frac{1}{6}$

C. $\frac{1}{4}$

D. $\frac{1}{12}$

Ans: $\frac{1}{6}$

Solution:

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Consider $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(\sin x) - \cos x}{x^4}$ $\left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right)$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\sin x + x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\sin x + x}{2}\right)} \right] \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{x - \sin x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{x - \sin x}{2}\right)} \right] \times \left(\frac{\sin x + x}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{x - \sin x}{2}\right) \times \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\sin x + x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{\sin x + x}{2}\right)} \right] \left[\frac{\sin\left(\frac{x - \sin x}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{x - \sin x}{2}\right)} \right] \times \left(\frac{x^2 - \sin^2 x}{4x^4}\right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \times \left(\frac{x^2 - \sin^2 x}{4x^4}\right) \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right) \left(\because \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} = 1\right)$$

Applying L'Hospital's Rule,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \times \left(\frac{2x - 2 \sin x \cos x}{4 \cdot 4x^3}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2x - \sin 2x}{8x^3}\right) \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2 - 2 \cos 2x}{24x^2}\right) \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{4 \sin 2x}{48x}\right) = \frac{1}{6} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin 2x}{2x}\right) = \frac{1}{6}$$

Q28. The value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[r] + [2r] + \dots + [nr]}{n^2}$, where r is non-zero real number and $[r]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to r , is equal to :

A. $\frac{r}{2}$

B. r

C. $2r$

D. 0

Ans: $\frac{r}{2}$

Solution:

We know that $r \leq [r] < r + 1$

$$2r \leq [2r] < 2r + 1$$

$$3r \leq [3r] < 3r + 1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$nr \leq [nr] < nr + 1$$

On adding all the above inequalities, we get

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$$r + 2r + \dots + nr \leq [r] + [2r] + \dots + [nr] < r + 2r + \dots + nr + n$$

Using $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot r \leq [r] + [2r] + \dots + [nr] < \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot r + n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot r}{n^2} \leq \frac{[r] + [2r] + \dots + [nr]}{n^2} < \frac{\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot r + n}{n^2}$$

$$\text{Now, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot r}{2 \cdot n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot r}{2 \cdot n^2} = \frac{r}{2}$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot r + n}{n^2} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^2 \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot r + \frac{1}{n} \right\}}{2 \cdot n^2} = \frac{r}{2}$$

So, by Sandwich Theorem, we can conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[r] + [2r] + \dots + [nr]}{n^2} = \frac{r}{2}.$$

Q29. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\frac{x^2}{2} - \cos x}}{x^3 \tan x}$ is equal to

A. $\frac{1}{4}$

B. $\frac{1}{8}$

C. $\frac{1}{12}$

D. $\frac{1}{16}$

Ans: $\frac{1}{12}$

Solution: Using expansion,

$$\left(1 + \left(-\frac{x^2}{2} \right) + \frac{\left(\frac{x^4}{4} \right)}{2!} + \dots \right) - \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{4!} - \dots \right)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots \right)}{(1-1) + \left(-\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^2}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{x^4}{8} - \frac{x^4}{24} \right) + \dots}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots \right)}{x^3 \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{24} = \frac{1}{12}$$

Q30. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{ae^x + b \cos x + c + dx}{x \sin^2 x} = 3$, then the value of $272 \frac{abd}{c^3}$ is equal to

Ans: 34

Solution:

Using expansions, we get,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right) + b \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots \right) + c + dx}{x \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right)^2} = 3$$

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+b+c) + (a+d)x + \left(\frac{a-b}{2}\right)x^2 + \frac{a}{6}x^3 + \dots}{x^3 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots\right)^2} = 3$$

\therefore in the denominator lowest power of x is 3

For the limit to be finite, the numerator should also have the least power of x as 3

$$\therefore a + b + c = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$a + d = 0 \dots(2)$$

$$\frac{a-b}{2} = 0 \dots(3)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\left(\frac{a}{6}\right)}{1} = 3 \Rightarrow a = 18$$

From (1), (2), (3), we get,

$$a = 18, b = 18, c = -36, d = -18$$

$$\frac{abd}{c^3} = \frac{-(18)^3}{-8(18)^3} = \frac{1}{8}$$

Answer Key

Q1 (3)	Q2 (1)	Q3 (4)	Q4 (2)
Q5 (2)	Q6 (3)	Q7 (1)	Q8 (3)
Q9 (3)	Q10 (3)	Q11 (3)	Q12 (12.5)
Q13 (2)	Q14 (3)	Q15 (1)	Q16 (2)
Q17 (36)	Q18 (2)	Q19 (1)	Q20 (3)
Q21 (1)	Q22 (2)	Q23 (3)	Q24 (1)
Q25 (1)	Q26 (2.00)	Q27 (2)	Q28 (1)
Q29 (3)	Q30 (34)		