

L'HOPITAL'S RULE (4.5)

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In each problem determine if L'Hopital's Rule applies. If so, use the rule to find the limit. If not, find the limit numerically. Express your final answers in exact form.

$$1. \lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x - \pi}$$

$$\frac{\sin(3\pi)}{\pi - \pi} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \checkmark$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \frac{3\cos(3x)}{1}$$

$$= 3(-1)$$

$$= -3$$

$$4. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{1 + \ln x} \rightarrow \frac{0}{\infty}$$

$$= 0$$

$$2. \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2t} - 1}{e^t}$$

$$= \frac{e^0 - 1}{e^0}$$

$$= \frac{1 - 1}{1}$$

$$= 0$$

$$3. \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\arctan \theta}{2\theta}$$

$$\frac{\arctan(0)}{2(0)} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \checkmark$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{1 + \theta^2}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$5. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{x}}{1}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \ln x}{x} \rightarrow \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2}{x}}{1} = 0$$

$$8. \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \left(\frac{1}{\ln(1+x)} - \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 2} - 1$$

$$6. \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{u^2 + 1}}{u}$$

$$= 1$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{u^2 + 1}}{u} = \frac{\sqrt{u^2 + 1}}{\sqrt{u^2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{u^2 + 1}{u^2}}$$

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

$$9. \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \infty} \theta \sin\left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)$$

To apply L'H, rewrite:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)}{\frac{1}{\theta}} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-\frac{1}{\theta^2} \cos\left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)}{-\frac{1}{\theta^2}}$$

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

$$7. \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^y}{y^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\text{small positive}}$$

$$= \infty$$

$$10. \lim_{z \rightarrow 0^+} \cos\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$$

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$$11. \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \cos^2\left(\frac{1}{t}\right)$$

$$= \cos^2(0)$$

$$= 1$$

~~$$12. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 3x}{\sinh x}$$~~

$$13. \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{y}{\sqrt[3]{\sin y}} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{3}(\sin y)^{-2/3} \cos y}$$

$$= \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{3(\sin y)^{2/3}}{\cos y}$$

$$= \frac{3(0)^{2/3}}{1}$$

$$= 0$$

$$14. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\cot x}{\ln x} \rightarrow \frac{\infty}{-\infty} \rightarrow -\frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-\csc^2 x}{\frac{1}{x}} \rightarrow \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-2\csc x \csc x \cot x}{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

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Let's be clever:

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cos x \cdot \frac{1}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cos x \cdot \frac{x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{1}{x \ln x}$$

$$= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{\text{small, negative}}$$

$$= -\infty$$

$$15. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x + \sin(2x)}{x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{\sin(2x)}{x}$$

$$= 1 + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin(2x)}{x}$$

Squeeze
Theorem

$$-1 \leq \sin(2x) \leq 1$$

$$-\frac{1}{x} \leq \frac{\sin(2x)}{x} \leq \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= 1 + 0$$

$$= 1$$