

第二节 洛必达法则

习题 3-2

1. 用洛必达法则求下列极限:

$$(1) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{\tan x};$$

$$(2) \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\ln \sin x}{(\pi - 2x)^2};$$

$$(3) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 e^{\frac{1}{x^2}};$$

$$(4) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{x^3};$$

$$(5) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln \sin ax}{\ln \sin bx} \quad (a > 0, b > 0);$$

$$(6) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2}{x^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{x - 1} \right);$$

$$(7) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^x - e}{x};$$

$$(8) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} \cot x - \frac{1}{x^2} \right);$$

$$(9) \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} (\cos x)^{\frac{\pi}{2-x}};$$

$$(10) \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \left(\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x \right)^x;$$

$$(11) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{x^2}};$$

$$(12) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\cot x)^{\frac{1}{\ln x}};$$

$$(13) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{3}{x} \right)^{2x};$$

$$(14) \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (x + e^x)^{\frac{1}{x}}.$$

解 (1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{\tan x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{\sec^2 x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [\cos^2 x (e^x + e^{-x})] = 2.$

$$(2) \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\ln \sin x}{(\pi - 2x)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x} \cos x}{2(\pi - 2x)(-2)} = -\frac{1}{4} \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos x}{\pi - 2x} = -\frac{1}{4} \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{-\sin x}{-2} = -\frac{1}{8}.$$

$$(3) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x^2}}}{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} (-2 \frac{1}{x^3})}{-2 \frac{1}{x^3}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{1}{x^2}} = +\infty.$$

$$(4) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{x^3} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{3x^2} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{6x} = \frac{1}{6}.$$

$$(5) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln \sin ax}{\ln \sin bx} \stackrel{\frac{\infty}{\infty}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{\sin ax} \cos ax \cdot a}{\frac{1}{\sin bx} \cos bx \cdot b} = 1.$$

$$(6) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{2}{x^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{x - 1} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1 - x}{x^2 - 1} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-1}{2x} = -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$(7) \quad \because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \ln(1+x)} = e,$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} - e^{\frac{0}{0}}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} \left[\frac{1}{x} \ln(1+x) \right]'}{1}$$

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

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

$$= e \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 1 - \ln(1+x)}{2x(1+x) + x^2} = -\frac{1}{2}e.$$

$$(8) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} \cot x - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x^2 \tan x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x^3} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sec^2 x}{3x^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos^2 x - 1}{3x^2 \cos^2 x} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{3x^2} = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

$$(9) \quad \text{令 } y = (\cos x)^{\frac{\pi}{2}-x}, \text{ 则 } \ln y = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x \right) \ln \cos x.$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x \right) \ln \cos x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{\ln \cos x}{\frac{\pi}{2} - x} \stackrel{\frac{\infty}{\infty}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{\frac{-\sin x}{\cos x}}{\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - x \right)^2}$$

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

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} (\cos x)^{\frac{\pi}{2}-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} y = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \ln y} = e^0 = 1.$$

(10) 令 $y = (\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x)^x$, 则 $\ln y = x \ln(\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x)$.

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x \ln(\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln(\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x)}{\frac{1}{x}} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{x^2}{(1+x^2) \arctan x} = -\frac{2}{\pi},$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (\frac{2}{\pi} \arctan x)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} y = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \ln y} = e^{-\frac{2}{\pi}}.$$

(11) 令 $y = (\frac{\sin x}{x})^{\frac{1}{x^2}}$, 则 $\ln y = \frac{1}{x^2} \ln(\frac{\sin x}{x})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \ln y &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(\frac{\sin x}{x})}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x}{\sin x} \cdot \frac{\cos x \cdot x - \sin x}{x^2}}{2x} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x \cdot x - \sin x}{x^3} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x + x(-\sin x) - \cos x}{3x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x \sin x}{3x^2} = -\frac{1}{6}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\frac{\sin x}{x})^{\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} y = e^{-\frac{1}{6}}.$$

(12) 令 $y = (\cot x)^{\frac{1}{\ln x}}$, 则 $\ln y = \frac{1}{\ln x} \ln(\cot x)$.

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(\cot x)}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{\cot x} (-\csc^2 x)}{\frac{1}{x}} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x}{\sin x \cos x} = -1,$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\cot x)^{\frac{1}{\ln x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y = e^{-1}.$$

(13) 令 $y = (1 + \frac{3}{x})^{2x}$, 则 $\ln y = 2x \ln(1 + \frac{3}{x})$.

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln y = 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(1 + \frac{3}{x})}{\frac{1}{x}} = 2 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{3}{x}} \cdot (-\frac{3}{x^2})}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = 6 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{x+3} = 6,$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{3}{x})^{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} y = e^6.$$

(14) 令 $y = (x + e^x)^{\frac{1}{x}}$, 则 $\ln y = \frac{1}{x} \ln(x + e^x)$.

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \ln y = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\ln(x + e^x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1 + e^x}{x + e^x} = 1,$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (x + e^x)^{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} y = e.$$

2. 验证极限 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x \sin \frac{1}{x}}{x}$ 存在, 但不能用洛必达法则求出.

解 由于 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x} = 0$, 函数 $\sin \frac{1}{x}$ 为有界函数, 根据无穷小的性质知, 极限

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x \sin \frac{1}{x}}{x} \text{ 存在且为零.}$$

若用洛必达法则, 则有

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

由于 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \sin x \cos x \sin \frac{1}{x} = 0$, 而 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [\sin^2 x \cos \frac{1}{x} \cdot (-\frac{1}{x^2})] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (-\frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} \cos \frac{1}{x})$ 不存在,

因此极限 $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 x \sin \frac{1}{x}}{x}$ 是不能用洛必达法则求出的.

3. 设 $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{g(x)}{x}, & x \neq 0, \\ 0, & x = 0, \end{cases}$ 以及 $g(0) = g'(0) = 0$, $g''(0) = 2$, 求 $f'(0)$.

$$\text{解 } f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x) - f(0)}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{g(x)}{x} - 0}{x - 0} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x)}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g'(x)}{2x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g'(x) - g'(0)}{x - 0} = \frac{1}{2} g''(0) = 1.$$

注意 易犯的错误是

$$f'(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x)}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g'(x)}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{g''(x)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} g''(0) = 1.$$

错误有二: (1) 洛必达法则的再次使用. 实际上, 第二次已不满足洛必达法则的使用条件.

(2) 利用了函数 $g''(x)$ 在点 $x=0$ 处的连续性, 而这是未知的.