

Differential Calculus

Indeterminate Forms

Cauchy's Rule or L'Hospital's Rule

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(ii) Indeterminate forms-Problems of $\frac{0}{0}$, $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, $0 \times \infty$.

Cauchy's Rule or L'Hospital's Rule:

Suppose we are interested to find the value of

$$\left[\frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} \right] \text{ at } x = a, \text{ where } [f(x)]_{x=a} = f(a) = 0 \quad (\text{i})$$

$$[\phi(x)]_{x=a} = \phi(a) = 0. \quad (\text{ii})$$

Then $\left[\frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} \right]_{x=a}$ is of the form $\frac{0}{0}$.

Then by **L'Hospital's Rule**, “we differentiate the numerator and denominator w.r.t. x separately. If once again, we find indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$, we have further repetition of the process till we get some definite result”.

Proof: The limiting value of $\left[\frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} \right]_{x=a} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)}$

Putting $x = a + h$ in $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} \right]$, we have when $x \rightarrow a$ then $h \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} \right] = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h)}{\phi(a+h)}$$

Using Taylor's Theorem, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h)}{\phi(a+h)} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a) + hf'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!}f''(a) + \dots}{\phi(a) + h\phi'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!}\phi''(a) + \dots} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{hf'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!}f''(a) + \dots}{h\phi'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!}\phi''(a) + \dots} \left[\because f(a) = 0 \text{ and } \phi(a) = 0 \text{ from (i) and (ii)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

As $h \neq 0$, we have

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f'(a) + \frac{h}{2!}f''(a) + \dots}{\phi'(a) + \frac{h}{2!}\phi''(a) + \dots} = \frac{f'(a)}{\phi'(a)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{\phi'(x)}$$

In case both $f'(a)$ and $\phi'(a)$ are zero, the above process can be repeated and we shall get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} = \frac{f''(a)}{\phi''(a)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f''(x)}{\phi''(x)} \text{ and like this we can have further repetition of the}$$

process till we get some definite results.

Note: Cauchy's rule is also applicable to $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ form.

Q.No.1: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \cos x - \log(x+1)}{x^2}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \cos x - \log(1+x)}{x^2} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

Apply Cauchy's Rule (i.e. differentiate the numerator and denominator w.r.t. to x separately), we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - x \sin x - \frac{1}{1+x}}{2x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

Again apply Cauchy's Rule, we get

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

Q.No.2: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x} - 2 \cos x}{x \sin x}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x} - 2 \cos x}{x \sin x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x} - 2 \cos x}{x^2} \times \frac{x}{\sin x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x} - 2 \cos x}{x^2} \left[\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} = 1 \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x} + 2 \sin x}{2x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x} + 2 \cos x}{2} = \frac{1+1+2}{2} = 2. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.3: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^x - x}{1 - x + \log x}$.

Sol. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^x - x}{1 - x + \log x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

Apply Cauchy's Rule, we get

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^x(1/x) + (1 + \log x)x^x(1 + \log x)}{0 - 0 - \frac{1}{x^2}} \left[\begin{array}{l} \therefore \text{Let } y = x^x \\ \log y = \log x^x = \log x \\ \text{Differentiate w.r. t. to } x \\ \frac{dy}{dx} = y(1 + \log x) = x^x(1 + \log x) \end{array} \right]$$

$$= -2 \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.4: Find the values of a, b and c so that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x - b \cos x + ce^{-x}}{x \sin x} = 2$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x - b \cos x + ce^{-x}}{x \sin x}$.

This is of $\frac{0}{0}$ form, if $a - b + c = 0$. (i)

Apply Cauchy's Rule, we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x + b \sin x - ce^{-x}}{x \cos x + \sin x}$$

This is of $\frac{0}{0}$ form, if $a - c = 0$. (ii)

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x + b \cos x + ce^{-x}}{x(-\sin x) + \cos x + \cos x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{ae^x + b \cos x + ce^{-x}}{-x \sin x + 2 \cos x} = \frac{a + b + c}{2} = 2 \text{ (given)}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = 4. \text{ (iii)}$$

Solving (i), (ii) and (iii), for a, b, c, we get

$a = 1$, $b = 2$, and $c = 1$. Ans.

Q.No.5: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \log_x \sin x$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log_e \sin x}{\log_e x} \cdot \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ form} \right]$

Applying Cauchy's Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{\sin x} \times \cos x}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \cot x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} = 1. \text{ Ans.} \quad \left[\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} = 1 \right]$$

Q.No.6: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sec \frac{\pi}{2x} \cdot \log x$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \sec \frac{\pi}{2x} \cdot \log x$ $(\infty \times 0) \text{ form}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\log x}{\cos \left(\frac{\pi}{2x} \right)} \cdot \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

Applying Cauchy's Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2x}\right) \times \frac{\pi}{2} \times \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2 \times 1 \times x^2}{\pi \times x \times \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{2 \times x}{\pi \times \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)} = \frac{2}{\pi}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.7: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \cot^2 x \right]$.

Sol.: We know that $\tan x = x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{\tan^2 x} \right] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \left(x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} + \dots \right)^{-2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - x^{-2} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{2}{15}x^4 + \dots \right)^{-2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \left\{ 1 - 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{2}{15}x^4 + \dots \right) + \text{terms of higher powers of } x \right\} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{2}{3} + \text{terms containing } x \right] = \frac{2}{3}. \text{ Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

Similar Problem: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\cot^2 x - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)$ ($\infty - \infty$) form.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol.} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\cot^2 x - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\tan^2 x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \tan^2 x}{x^2 \tan^2 x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \tan^2 x}{x^4} \left(\frac{x}{\tan x} \right)^2 \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \tan^2 x}{x^4} (1)^2 \left[\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\tan x} = 1 \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 - \tan^2 x}{x^4} \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x - 2 \tan x \sec^2 x}{4x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x - 2 \tan x (1 + \tan^2 x)}{2x^3} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x - \tan^3 x}{2x^3} \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sec^2 x - 3 \tan^2 x \sec^2 x}{6x^2} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - (1 + \tan^2 x) - 3 \tan^2 x (1 + \tan^2 x)}{6x^2} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 1 - \tan^2 x - 3 \tan^2 x - 3 \tan^4 x}{6x^2} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4 \tan^2 x - 3 \tan^4 x}{6x^2} \\
&= - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{4 + 3 \tan^2 x}{6} \left(\frac{\tan x}{x} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{-4 + 0}{6} (1)^3 = \frac{-4}{6} = \frac{-2}{3}. \text{ Ans.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.No.8: Find the value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \cdot e^{x^4/4} - \sin^{3/2}(x^2)}{x^7}$.

Sol.: As $x \rightarrow 0$, the required limit takes the indeterminate form $\frac{0}{0}$. The denominator here

is x^7 and the application of Cauchy's Rule will required us to differentiate the nominator and denominator at least seven times to come to the true value of the limit, which will be cumbersome.

We therefore, use the method of expansion by Macaulurin's Theory, which is very convenient.

Thus, using the expansion e^x

$$e^{\frac{x^4}{4}} = 1 + \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{x^4}{4} \right)^2 + \dots = 1 + \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^8}{32} + \dots$$

And using the series for $\sin x$

$$(\sin x^2)^{3/2} = \left[x^2 - \frac{(x^2)^3}{3!} + \frac{(x^2)^5}{5!} - \dots \right]^{3/2} = x^3 \left[1 - \frac{x^4}{6} + \dots \right]^{3/2},$$

Now using Binomial Theorem, we get

$$(\sin x^2)^{3/2} = x^3 \left[1 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{x^4}{6} - \dots \right) + \dots \right] = x^3 \left[1 - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \right]$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \cdot e^{x^4/4} - \sin^{3/2}(x^2)}{x^7} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3 \left[1 + \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^8}{32} + \dots \right] - x^3 \left[1 - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \right]}{x^7}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{2} + \text{terms containing } x \right] = \frac{1}{2} . \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.9.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - \sin x}{x^2}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - \sin x}{x^2}$. $\left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - \cos x}{2x} . \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + \sin x}{2} = \frac{1}{2} . \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.10.: Evaluate (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{ax} - e^{-ax}}{\log(1 + bx)}$,

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x} - 2x}{\tan x - x}$.

Sol.: (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{ax} - e^{-ax}}{\log(1 + bx)}$. $\left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{ax}(a) - e^{-ax}(-a)}{\frac{1}{1+bx} \cdot b} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a(e^{ax} + e^{-ax})(1+bx)}{b} = \frac{2a}{b} . \text{ Ans.}$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x} - 2x}{\tan x - x}$. $\left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}(-1) - 2}{\sec^2 x - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x} - 2}{\sec^2 x - 1} \cdot \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x}(-1)}{2 \sec x \cdot \sec x \tan x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2 \sec^2 x \tan x} \cdot \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}(-1)}{2(\sec^2 x \sec^2 x + \tan x \cdot 2 \sec x \sec x \tan x)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2(\sec^4 x + 2 \sec^2 x \tan^2 x)} = \frac{1+1}{2(1+0)} = 1. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.11.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x^3}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x^3} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sec^2 x}{3x^2} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \sec x \cdot \sec x \tan x}{6x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sec^2 x \tan x}{3x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -\frac{\sec^2 x \cdot \sec^2 x + \tan x \cdot 2 \sec x \cdot \sec x \tan x}{3}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} -\frac{\sec^4 x + 2 \sec^2 x \tan^2 x}{3} = -\frac{1+0}{3} = -\frac{1}{3}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.12.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{xe^x - \log(1+x)}{x^2}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{xe^x - \log(1+x)}{x^2} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x.e^x + e^x.1 - \frac{1}{x+1}}{2x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x.e^x + e^x.1 + e^x + \frac{1}{(x+1)^2}}{2} = \frac{0.e^0 + e^0.1 + e^0 + \frac{1}{(1+0)^2}}{2} = \frac{3}{2} . \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.13.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x + \frac{x^3}{6}}{x^5}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x + \frac{x^3}{6}}{x^5} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - 1 + \frac{3x^2}{6}}{5x^4} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\sin x + x}{20x^3} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\cos x + 1}{60x^2} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{120x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x}{120} = \frac{1}{120} . \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.14.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x + 2\sin^2 x - 2\sin x}{\cos x - \cos^2 x}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin 2x + 2\sin^2 x - 2\sin x}{\cos x - \cos^2 x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos 2x + 4 \sin x \cos x - 2 \cos x}{-\sin x + \cos x \sin x}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos 2x + 2 \sin 2x - 2 \cos x}{-\sin x + \sin 2x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Again using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-4 \sin 2x + 4 \cos 2x + 2 \sin x}{-\cos x + 2 \cos 2x} = \frac{-0 + 4.1 + 0}{-1 + 2} = 4 \text{ . Ans.}$$

Q.No.15.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{x^n} \quad (n > 0)$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{x^n} \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ form} \right]$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{n x^{n-1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n x^n} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0 \text{ . Ans.}$$

Q.No.16.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{\tan^3 x}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \sin x}{\tan^3 x}$

Applying Cauchy's rule, we get

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

Again applying Cauchy's rule, we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{3 \left[(\sec^4 x \cdot 2 \tan x) + (\tan^3 x \cdot 2 \sec^2 x) \right]} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{6 \tan x \sec^2 x (\tan^2 x + \sec^2 x)}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{6 \sec^3 x (\tan^2 x + \sec^2 x)} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ . Ans.}$$

Q.No.17.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \operatorname{cosec}^2 x \right)$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \operatorname{cosec}^2 x \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \sin^{-2} x \right)$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right)^{-2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots \right)^{-2} \right) \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \left(1 + 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots \right) \right) \right] \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(-\frac{2}{3!} + \frac{2x^4}{5!} \dots \right) = -\frac{2}{3!} = -\frac{1}{3}. \text{ Ans.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.No.18.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \cot x \right)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \cot x \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x \sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x^2 \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x - x \cos x}{x^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Applying Cauchy's rule, \therefore above equation is $\left[\frac{0}{0} \right]$ form, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos x - \cos x + x \sin x}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{2} = 0. \text{ Ans}$$

Q.No.19.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{a}{x} - \cot \frac{x}{a} \right)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{a}{x} - \cot \frac{x}{a} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{a}{x} - \frac{\cos \frac{x}{a}}{\sin \frac{x}{a}} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a \sin \frac{x}{a} - x \cos \frac{x}{a}}{x \sin \frac{x}{a}} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a \sin \frac{x}{a} - x \cos \frac{x}{a}}{\frac{x^2 \sin \frac{x}{a}}{a}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a \sin \frac{x}{a} - x \cos \frac{x}{a}}{\frac{x^2}{a}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^2 \sin \frac{x}{a} - ax \cos \frac{x}{a}}{x^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Applying L hospital's rule, \therefore above equation is $\left[\frac{0}{0} \right]$ form, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{a \cos \frac{x}{a} - a \cos \frac{x}{a} + x \sin \frac{x}{a}}{2x}}{\frac{x \sin \frac{x}{a}}{2x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin \frac{x}{a}}{2x} = 0. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.20.: Evaluate (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cot x - \frac{1}{x}}{x}$, (b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1) \tan \frac{\pi x}{2}$.

Sol.: (a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cot x - \frac{1}{x}}{x} \left[\frac{-\infty}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^2 \sin x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^3} \right] \left[\frac{x}{\sin x} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x^3} \right] \cdot \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{x}{\sin x} \right] = 1 \cdot \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{-x \sin x + \cos x - \cos x}{3x^2} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[-\frac{\sin x}{3x} \right] = -\frac{1}{3}. \text{ Ans.}$$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (x-1) \tan \frac{\pi x}{2} \left[(0 \times \infty) \text{ form} \right]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)}{\cot \frac{\pi x}{2}} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{-\frac{\pi}{2} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{\pi x}{2}} = \frac{1}{-\frac{\pi}{2}} = -\frac{2}{\pi}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.21.: Evaluate $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^2 \left(1 - e^{-2gx/y^2} \right)$.

Sol.: $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^2 \left(1 - e^{-2gx/y^2} \right)$

Substituting $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} y^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{n^2}$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(1 - e^{-\lg x n^2} \right)}{n^2}$$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{2gx \cdot 2n \cdot e^{-2gx n^2}}{2n} = 2gx \text{ . Ans.}$$

Q.No.22.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \log\left(2 - \frac{x}{a}\right) \cot(x - a)$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \log\left(2 - \frac{x}{a}\right) \cot(x - a)$ $[(0 \times \infty) \text{ form}]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\log\left(2 - \frac{x}{a}\right)}{\tan(x - a)} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

∴ Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{1}{\left(2 - \frac{x}{a}\right)} \times \left(-\frac{1}{a}\right)}{\sec^2(x - a)} = -\frac{1}{a} \text{ . Ans.}$$

Q.No.23.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^{1/2} \tan x}{(e^x - 1)^{3/2}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol.} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^{1/2} \tan x}{(e^x - 1)^{3/2}} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^{3/2} \frac{\tan x}{x}}{(e^x - 1)^{3/2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^{1/2} \tan x}{\left(x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots\right)^{3/2}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^{1/2} \tan x}{x \cdot x^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots\right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots\right)} = 1 \text{ . Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

Q.No.24.: Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/n} + e^{2/n} + e^{3/n} + \dots + e^{n/n}}{n} = e - 1$

Sol.: Taking L.H.S. = $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/n} + e^{2/n} + e^{3/n} + \dots + e^{n/n}}{n}$

Here, the series given in numerator is in geometric progression,

where, first term, $a = e^{1/n}$,

common ratio, $r = e^{1/n} > 1$,

number of terms = n.

The sum of series given in numerator is, δ_n

$$\therefore \delta_n = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1} = \frac{e^{1/n} \left\{ (e^{1/n})^n - 1 \right\}}{e^{1/n} - 1} = \frac{e^{1/n} \{e - 1\}}{e^{1/n} - 1}$$

$$\text{So, L.H.S.} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/n} \{e - 1\}}{(e^{1/n} - 1)n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/n} \{e - 1\}}{\left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{1!n} + \frac{1}{2!n^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!n^n} \right) - 1 \right\}.n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/n} \{e - 1\}}{\left\{ \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{2!n^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!n^n} \right\}.n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{1/n} \{e - 1\}}{\left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2!n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!n^{n-1}} \right\}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^0 \{e - 1\}}{(1 + 0 + \dots)} = (e - 1) = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Hence this completes the proof.

Q.No.25.: Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + x^2}{x^3} = \frac{1}{3}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + x^2}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum x^2}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x(x+1)(2x+1)}{x^3}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^3 \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right) \left(2 + \frac{1}{x} \right)}{x^3} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.26.: Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{a-x}{a+x}} \operatorname{cosec} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = \frac{1}{2a}$.

Sol.: Taking L.H.S. = $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{a-x}{a+x}} \operatorname{cosec} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sin^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{a-x}{a+x}}}{\sin \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$

The given equation is in the form $\left[\frac{0}{0} \right]$. So, apply "Cauchy's Rule" (i. e. differentiate

numerator and denominator w. r. t. x separately)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{L.H.S.} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\sqrt{\frac{a-x}{a+x}}\right)^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\frac{a-x}{a+x}}} \cdot \frac{(a+x)(-1) - (a-x)(1)}{(a+x)^2}}{\cos \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} \cdot (-2x)} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{\sqrt{a+x}}{\sqrt{2x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a+x}}{2\sqrt{a-x}} \cdot \frac{(-2a)}{(a+x)^2}}{\cos \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \cdot \frac{(-x)}{\sqrt{(a-x)(a+x)}}} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(x+a)(2a)\sqrt{a-x}\sqrt{a+x}}{x\sqrt{2x} \cdot 2\sqrt{a-x} \cdot (a+x)^2 \cdot \cos \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{a\sqrt{a+x}}{x\sqrt{2x} \cdot (a+x) \cdot \cos \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} \\
 &= \frac{a\sqrt{2a}}{a\sqrt{2a} \cdot (2a) \cdot \cos 0} = \frac{1}{2a} = \text{R.H.S.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence this completes the proof.

Q.No.27.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow y} \frac{x^y - y^x}{x^x - y^y}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow y} \frac{x^y - y^x}{x^x - y^y} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow y} \frac{x^y \left(\frac{y}{x} \right) - y^x (\log y)}{x^x (1 + \log x) - 0} = \frac{y^y \left(\frac{y}{y} \right) - y^y (y \log y)}{y^y (1 + \log y)} = \frac{y^y (1 - \log y)}{y^y (1 + \log y)} = \frac{1 - \log y}{1 + \log y}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.28.: Determine a, b, c such that

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\theta(a + b \cos \theta) - c \sin \theta}{\theta^5} = 1.$$

Sol.: $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\theta(a + b \cos \theta) - c \sin \theta}{\theta^5} = 1$

The given equation is in the form $\left[\frac{0}{0} \right]$. So, apply "Cauchy's Rule", we get

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{a + b \cos \theta + \theta(0 - b \sin \theta) - c \cos \theta}{5\theta^4}$$

$$\therefore a + b - c = 0 \Rightarrow a + b = c. \text{ (i)}$$

Again apply “Cauchy’s Rule”, we get

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{0 - b \sin \theta - b \sin \theta - \theta b \cos \theta + c \sin \theta}{20 \cdot \theta^3}$$

The above equation is in the form $\left[\frac{0}{0} \right]$. So, apply “Cauchy’s Rule”, we get

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2b \cos \theta - b \cos \theta + \theta b \sin \theta + c \cos \theta}{60 \cdot \theta^2}$$

$$\therefore -3b + c = 0 \Rightarrow c = 3b. \text{ (ii)}$$

The above equation is in the form $\left[\frac{0}{0} \right]$. So, apply “Cauchy’s Rule”, we get

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{2b \sin \theta + b \sin \theta + b \sin \theta + \theta b \cos \theta - c \sin \theta}{120 \cdot \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \frac{4b}{120} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} + \frac{\theta b \cos \theta}{120 \cdot \theta} - \frac{c \sin \theta}{120 \cdot \theta} \right\} = \frac{4b}{120} + \frac{b}{120} - \frac{c}{120} = 1 \text{ (given)}$$

$$\therefore 5b - c = 120. \text{ (iii)}$$

\therefore From (ii) and (iii), we get

$$b = 60, \quad c = 180, \quad a = 120. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.29.: Find the values of a and b such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(1 + a \cos x) - b \sin x}{x^3} = 1$.

$$\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(1 + a \cos x) - b \sin x}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \left\{ 1 + a \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) \right\} - b \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)}{x^3}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 + a - b)x + \left(-\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{6} \right)x^3 + \dots}{x^3} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

Since the given limit is equal to 1, we must have

$$1 + a - b = 0 \quad \text{(i)}$$

$$\text{and } -\frac{a}{2} + \frac{b}{6} = 1. \text{ (ii)}$$

Solving (i) and (ii), we get

$$a = -\frac{5}{2}, b = -\frac{3}{2}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.30.: Evaluate (a) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\log\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{\tan \theta}$, (b) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1 - 2\cos x}{\sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)}$.

Sol.: (a) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\log\left(\theta - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{\tan \theta} \cdot \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ form}\right]$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{\theta - \frac{\pi}{2}}}{\sec^2 \theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\cos^2 x}{x - \frac{\pi}{2}} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form}\right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{2\cos x(-\sin x)}{1} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (-\sin 2x) = 0. \text{ Ans.}$$

(b) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{1 - 2\cos x}{\sin\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{2\sin x}{\cos\left(x - \frac{\pi}{3}\right)}$

\therefore Using L'Hospital's Rule, we get

$$= \frac{2 \cdot \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)}{\cos 0} = \sqrt{3}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.31.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\log(x - a)}{\log(e^x - e^a)}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\log(x - a)}{\log(e^x - e^a)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x - a}\right)}{\left(\frac{e^x}{e^x - e^a}\right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{e^x - e^a}{e^x(x - a)}$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{e^x}{e^x(x-a) + e^x} = \frac{e^a}{0 + e^a} = 1. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.32.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log \sin 2x}{\sin x}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log \sin 2x}{\sin x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(2 \sin x \cos x)}{\sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(2 \sin x) + \log \cos x}{\sin x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\log(2 \sin x)}{\sin x} + \frac{\log \cos x}{\sin x} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(2 \sin x)}{\sin x} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log \cos x}{\sin x} \end{aligned}$$

The second limit is of $\frac{0}{0}$ form and can be evaluated with the L' Hospital's rule

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log \cos x}{\sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\tan x}{\cos x} = 0. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.33.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \log \sin x$.

$$\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \log \sin x \quad [0 \times \infty \text{ form}] \quad \left[\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \log x \rightarrow -\infty \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log \sin x}{\frac{1}{x}} \quad \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ form} \right]$$

Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\cos x}{\sin x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^2 \cot x = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{\tan x} \quad \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{\sec^2 x} = 0. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.34.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \log x$.

$$\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \log x \quad [0 \times \infty \text{ form}]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log x}{\frac{1}{x}} \quad \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (-x) = 0. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.35.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \tan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$.

$$\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \tan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} = \left[\lim_{\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} \right] \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\cos \frac{1}{x}} \right] = 1. \text{ Ans.} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} x \rightarrow \infty \\ \frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Q.No.36.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(a^{\frac{1}{x}} - 1\right)x$.

$$\text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(a^{\frac{1}{x}} - 1\right)x$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{1}{x} = y \therefore x \rightarrow \infty, y \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\text{Then } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(a^{\frac{1}{x}} - 1\right)x = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a^y - 1)}{y} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a^y \log a)}{1} = \log a. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.37.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{x^2} \left[\frac{\sin kx}{\sin \ell x} - \frac{k}{\ell} \right]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol.: } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{x^2} \left[\frac{\sin kx}{\sin \ell x} - \frac{k}{\ell} \right] &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{x^2} \left[\frac{\ell \sin kx - k \sin \ell x}{\ell \sin \ell x} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{x^2} \left[\frac{\left(\ell kx - \frac{\ell k^3 x^3}{3!} + \frac{\ell k^5 x^5}{5!} - \dots \right) - \left(k \ell x - \frac{k \ell^3 x^3}{3!} + \frac{k \ell^5 x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)}{\left(\ell^2 x - \frac{\ell^4 x^3}{3!} + \frac{\ell^6 x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{A k \ell}{\ell^2} \left[\frac{\left(-\frac{k^2 x}{3!} + \frac{k^4 x^3}{5!} - \dots \right) - \left(-\frac{\ell^2 x}{3!} + \frac{k \ell^4 x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)}{\left(\ell^2 x - \frac{\ell^4 x^3}{3!} + \frac{\ell^6 x^5}{5!} - \dots \right)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{Ak}{\ell} \left[\frac{-\frac{k^2}{3!} + \frac{3k^4 x^2}{5!} - \dots + \frac{\ell^2}{3!} - \frac{5\ell^4 x^4}{5!} - \dots}{1 - \frac{3\ell^2 x^2}{3!} + \frac{5\ell^4 x^4}{5!} - \dots} \right]$$

$$= \frac{Ak}{\ell} \left[\frac{\ell^2}{6} - \frac{k^2}{6} \right] = \frac{Ak}{6!} (\ell^2 - k^2). \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.38.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left[\frac{x}{x-1} - \frac{1}{\log x} \right]$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left[\frac{x}{x-1} - \frac{1}{\log x} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left[\frac{x \log x - (x-1)}{(x-1) \log x} \right]$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left[\frac{1 + \log x - 1}{\left(\frac{x-1}{x} \right) + \log x} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x}} \right) = \frac{1}{2}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.39.: Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f'(x)}{f(x) - f(a)} - \frac{1}{x-a} \right]$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f'(x)}{f(x) - f(a)} - \frac{1}{x-a} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f'(x)(x-a) - f(x) + f(a)}{f(x) - f(a)(x-a)} \right]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{f'(x).x - f'(x).a - f(x) + f(a)}{f'(x).x - f(a).x - f(x).a + f(a).a} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{x.f''(x) + f'(x) - a.f''(x) - f'(x) + f'(a)}{x.f'(x) - f(x) - x.f'(a) + f(a) - a.f'(x) + a.f'(a)} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \left[\frac{x.f'''(x) + f''(x) - a.f'''(x) - f''(a)}{x.f''(x) - f'(x) + f'(x) - x.f''(a) + f'(a) + f'(a) - a.f''(x) + a.f''(a)} \right]$$

Applying the limits, we get

$$= \left[\frac{a.f'''(a) + f''(a) - a.f'''(a) - f''(a)}{a.f''(a) - f'(a) + f'(a) - a.f''(a) + f'(a) + f'(a) - a.f''(a) + a.f''(a)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2f''(a)}{4f'(a)} = \frac{f''(a)}{2f'(a)}. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.40.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \right]$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \right] \left[\infty \times \infty \text{ form} \right]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(e^x - 1) - x}{x(e^x - 1)} \right] \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{e^x - 1}{x \cdot e^x + (e^x - 1) \cdot 1} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{(x + 1)e^x - 1} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x}{(x + 1) \cdot e^x + e^x} = \frac{1}{1 + 1} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.41.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \log(1 + x) \right]$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \log(1 + x) \right] \left[(\infty - \infty) \text{ form} \right]$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \left(x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots \right) \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}x + \dots \right] = \frac{1}{2} \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.42.: Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 + x)^{1/x} - e}{x} = -\frac{e}{2}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 + x)^{1/x} - e}{x} \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right] \left[\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + x)^{1/x} = e \right]$

We first evaluate $(1 + x)^{1/x}$.

Let $y = (1 + x)^{1/x}$.

\therefore

$$\log y = \frac{1}{x} \log(1 + x) = \frac{1}{x} \left(x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots \right) = 1 + \left(-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots \right) = 1 + z,$$

$$\text{where } z = -\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots$$

$$\therefore y = e^{1+z} = e \cdot e^z = e \left[1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= e \left[1 + \left(-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots \right) + \frac{1}{2!} \left(-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= e \left[1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{11}{24}x^2 - \dots \right].$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{1/x} - e}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e \left(1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{11}{24}x^2 - \dots \right) - e}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{11}{24}x + \dots \right) = -\frac{1}{2}e \text{ .Ans.}$$

This completes the proof.

Q.No.43.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x \sin x - x - x^2}{x^2 + x \log(1-x)}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x \sin x - x - x^2}{x^2 + x \log(1-x)}$

Using the expansion of $e^x \sin x$ and $\log(1-x)$, we get

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(x + x^2 + \frac{x^3}{3} - x^4 + \dots \right) - x - x^2}{x^2 - \left(x^2 - \frac{x^3}{2} - \frac{x^4}{3} + \dots \right)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{x^3}{3} - x^4 + \dots \right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{x}{3} + \dots \right)} = \frac{-2}{3} \text{ .Ans.}$$

Q.No.44.: Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{1/x} - e + \frac{ex}{2}}{x^2} = \frac{11e}{24}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{1/x} - e + \frac{ex}{2}}{x^2} \cdot \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right] \left[\because \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+x)^{1/x} = e \right]$

We first evaluate $(1+x)^{1/x}$.

Let $y = (1+x)^{1/x}$.

$$\therefore \log y = \frac{1}{x} \log(1+x) = \frac{1}{x} \left(x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots \right) = 1 + \left(-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots \right) = 1 + z,$$

$$\text{where } z = -\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots$$

$$\therefore y = e^{1+z} = e \cdot e^z = e \left[1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= e \left[1 + \left(-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots \right) + \frac{1}{2!} \left(-\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{3} - \dots \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= e \left[1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{11}{24}x^2 - \dots \right].$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+x)^{1/x} - e + \frac{ex}{2}}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e \left(1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{11}{24}x^2 - \dots \right) - e + \frac{ex}{2}}{x^2}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{11}{24}e + \text{terms containing powers of } x \right] = \frac{11}{24}e.$$

This completes the proof.

Q.No.45.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tanh x - 2\sin x + x}{x^5}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tanh x - 2\sin x + x}{x^5}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right) - 2 \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots \right) + x}{\left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \right) x^5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(x + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots\right) - 2\left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right) \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots\right) + x \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots\right)}{x^5 \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots\right)} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1-2+1)x + \left(\frac{1}{6} - 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}\right)x^3 + \left(\frac{1}{120} - \frac{2}{24} + \frac{2}{12} - \frac{2}{120} + \frac{1}{24}\right)x^5 + (\dots)x^6 + \dots}{x^5 \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots\right)} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{14}{120}x^5 + (\dots)x^6 + \dots}{x^5} = \frac{14}{120} = \frac{7}{60}. \text{ Ans.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.No.46.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin(\sin x) - \sin^2 x}{x^6}$.

Sol.: We make use of one standard series to obtain this limit

$$\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin(\sin x) - \sin^2 x}{x^6} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin\left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right) - \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right)^2}{x^6} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \left\{ \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right) - \frac{1}{3!} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right)^3 + \frac{1}{5!} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right)^5 + \dots \right\} - \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right)^2}{x^6} \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left\{ \left(x^2 - \frac{x^4}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{5!} - \dots\right) - \frac{x^4}{3!} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \dots\right)^3 + \frac{x^6}{5!} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} - \dots\right)^5 + \dots \right\} - \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \dots\right)^2}{x^6}
\end{aligned}$$

Expanding by Binomial expansion, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ \left(x^2 - \frac{x^4}{3!} + \frac{x^6}{5!} - \dots \right) - \frac{x^4}{3!} \left\{ 1 - 3 \left(\frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots \right) + \dots \right\} + \frac{x^6}{5!} \left\{ 1 - 5 \left(\frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots \right) + \dots \right\} + \dots \right\} \\
& - x^2 \left\{ 1 - 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots \right) + \left(\frac{x^2}{3!} - \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots \right)^2 \right\} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\dots}{x^6} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^6 \left(\frac{1}{120} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{120} - \frac{2}{120} - \frac{1}{36} \right) + (\dots)x^7 + \dots}{x^6} \\
& = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{18}x^6 + (\dots)x^7 + \dots}{x^6} = \frac{1}{18}. \text{ Ans.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.No.47.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x \sin x} - \cosh(x\sqrt{2})}{x^4}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x \sin x} - \cosh(x\sqrt{2})}{x^4}$

We make use of two standard series to obtain this limit

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{x \sin x} &= 1 + x \sin x + \frac{(x \sin x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(x \sin x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(x \sin x)^4}{4!} + \dots \\
&= 1 + x \sin x + \frac{x^2}{2!} (\sin x)^2 + \frac{x^3}{3!} (\sin x)^3 + \frac{x^4}{4!} (\sin x)^4 + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

Now using expansion of $\sin x$

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{x \sin x} &= 1 + x \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right) + \frac{x^2}{2!} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right)^2 \\
&+ \frac{x^3}{3!} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right)^3 + \frac{x^4}{4!} \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} + \dots \right)^4 \\
&= 1 + x^2 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} - \dots \right) + \frac{x^4}{2} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120} - \dots \right)^2 \\
&+ \frac{x^6}{6} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} - \dots \right)^3 + \frac{x^8}{24} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} - \dots \right)^4
\end{aligned}$$

Now expanding by Binomial theorem,

$$e^{x \sin x} = 1 + x^2 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} + \dots \right) + \frac{x^4}{2} \left[1 - 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120} + \dots \right) \right] \\ + \frac{x^6}{6} \left[1 - 3 \left(\frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} + \dots \right) \right] + \dots$$

Collecting terms of same type

$$e^{x \sin x} = 1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{3} + \frac{x^6}{120} + \dots \quad (i)$$

$$\cosh x = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$\cosh(\sqrt{2}x) = 1 + \frac{2x^2}{2!} + \frac{4x^4}{4!} + \frac{8x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{6} + \frac{x^6}{90} + \dots \quad (ii)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{x \sin x} - \cosh(\sqrt{2}x)}{x^4} \\ = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{3} + \frac{x^6}{120} + \dots \right) - \left(1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{6} + \frac{x^6}{90} + \dots \right)}{x^4} \\ = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{x^4}{3} + \frac{x^6}{120} + \dots \right) - \left(\frac{x^4}{6} + \frac{x^6}{90} + \dots \right)}{x^4}$$

Neglecting terms having powers more than 4

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4 \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} \right)}{x^4} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ . Ans.}$$

Q.No.48.: Prove that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^2 - 2e^{x^2} + 2\cos x^{3/2} + \sin^3 x}{x^4} = -1$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^2 - 2e^{x^2} + 2\cos x^{3/2} + \sin^3 x}{x^4} = -1$

We use $\sin x$ series for expansion of $\sin^3 x$

$$\sin^3 x = \left[x - \frac{(x)^3}{3!} + \frac{(x)^5}{5!} - \dots \right]^3 = x^3 \left[1 - \frac{(x)^2}{6} + \frac{(x)^4}{120} - \dots \right]^3$$

Using Binomial Theorem

$$= x^3 \left[1 - \frac{(x)^2}{2} + \frac{(x)^4}{40} - \dots \right]$$

Similarly

$$\cos x^{3/2} = 1 - \frac{(x^{3/2})^2}{2!} + \frac{(x^{3/2})^4}{4!} - \frac{(x^{3/2})^6}{6!} + \dots = 1 - \frac{x^3}{2} + \frac{x^6}{24} - \dots$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^2 - 2e^{x^2} + 2\cos x^{3/2} + \sin^3 x}{x^4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x^2 - 2 \left(1 + x^2 + \frac{x^4}{2!} + \frac{x^6}{3!} + \dots \right) + 2 \left(1 - \frac{x^3}{2} + \frac{x^6}{24} - \dots \right) + x^3 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{40} - \dots \right)}{x^4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{- \left(x^4 + \frac{x^6}{3} + \dots \right) + \left(\frac{x^6}{24} - \dots \right) + x^4 \left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^3}{40} - \dots \right)}{x^4} = -1. \text{ Ans.}$$

Q.No.49.: Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + x \cos x - \cosh x - \log(1+x)}{\tan x - x}$.

Sol.: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + x \cos x - \cosh x - \log(1+x)}{\tan x - x}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + x \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) - \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots \right) - \left(x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \right)}{x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} - x \dots}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \left(-\frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \dots \right) - \left(\frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \right) - \left(\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \right)}{\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{2x^5}{15} - x \dots}$$

Neglecting terms greater than x^3

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(-\frac{x^3}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right)}{\frac{x^3}{3}} = -\frac{5}{2} \cdot \text{Ans.}$$

Q.No.50.: The current i in a circuit containing an inductance L , a capacitance C and an alternator of angular frequency ω and maximum e.m.f. E , is given by

$$i = \frac{\omega E}{L(n^2 - \omega^2)} (\cos \omega t - \cos nt) \text{ where } n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}. \text{ Find the limiting form of the}$$

expression for i , when $\omega \rightarrow n$.

$$\text{Sol.: Since } \lim_{\omega \rightarrow n} \frac{\omega E}{L(n^2 - \omega^2)} (\cos \omega t - \cos nt) \left[\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right]$$

\therefore Using L'Hospital Rule, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{\omega \rightarrow n} \frac{E(\cos \omega t - \cos nt) + E\omega t(-\sin \omega t)}{-2\omega L} \\ &= \frac{E(\cos nt - \cos nt) + Ent(-\sin nt)}{-2nL} \\ &= \frac{E \times 0 - Ent(\sin nt)}{-2nL} = \frac{Et}{2L} \sin nt. \text{ Ans.} \end{aligned}$$

Q.No.51.: A column of length ℓ has a vertical load P and horizontal load F at the top, and the transverse deflection is given by

$$D = \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\frac{\tan m\ell}{m\ell} - 1 \right], \text{ where } m^2 = \frac{P}{EI}. \text{ Show that as } P \rightarrow 0, D \rightarrow \frac{F\ell^3}{3EI}.$$

$$\text{Sol.: Given } D = \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\frac{\tan m\ell}{m\ell} - 1 \right], \text{ where } m^2 = \frac{P}{EI}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} D &= \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\frac{\tan m\ell}{m\ell} - 1 \right] = \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\frac{\left(m\ell + \frac{m^3\ell^3}{3} + \frac{2}{15}m^5\ell^5 + \dots \right)}{m\ell} - 1 \right] \\ &= \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\left(1 + \frac{m^2\ell^2}{3} + \frac{2}{15}m^4\ell^4 + \dots \right) - 1 \right] = \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\left(\frac{m^2\ell^2}{3} + \frac{2}{15}m^4\ell^4 + \dots \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell}{P} \left[\frac{1}{3} \frac{P\ell^2}{EI} + \frac{2}{15} \left(\frac{P}{EI} \right)^2 \ell^4 + \dots \right] = \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell}{P} \times \frac{P\ell^2}{3EI} \left[1 + \frac{2}{15} \frac{P}{EI} \ell^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \lim_{P \rightarrow 0} \frac{F\ell^3}{3EI} \left[1 + \frac{2}{15} \frac{P}{EI} \ell^2 + \dots \right] = \frac{F\ell^3}{3EI}.$$

Thus as $P \rightarrow 0$, $D \rightarrow \frac{F\ell^3}{3EI}$.

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