

Limits of Functions

Recall the following:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} q^x = \begin{cases} +\infty & : q > 1 \\ 1 & : q = 1 \\ 0 & : |q| < 1 \\ \varnothing & : q \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} q^x = q^{x_0}, \forall q \in (0, \infty) \quad \text{and} \quad x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \log_a x = \log_a x_0, \forall a \in (0, \infty) \setminus \{1\}, x_0 > 0.$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log_a x = \begin{cases} +\infty & : a > 1 \\ -\infty & : 0 < a < 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{q^x - 1}{x} = \ln q, \forall q > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+x)}{x} = 1.$$

Exercise 1: Compute the limits of the following functions at the specified points:

$$a) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \cos^2 \frac{x+2}{x} \quad b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x}{x^2+1} \quad c) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2+5}{x^3} \quad d) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x+2)(2x+1)}{x^2+3x+5}$$

$$e) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2-1}{x^3-1} \quad f) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{1}{2-x} - \frac{2x}{4-x^2} \right)$$

$$g) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1+x+x^2+\dots+x^n-(n+1)}{x-1}, n \in \mathbb{N} \quad h) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+x^2+\dots+x^n-n}{x+x^2+\dots+x^m-m}, \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$$i) \lim_{x \rightarrow 27} \frac{x-27}{\sqrt[3]{x}-3} \quad j) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}-1}{\sqrt[4]{x}-1}$$

$$k) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[3]{ax^3+x^2+bx+c} - (bx+c) \right) \forall a, b, c > 0.$$

Exercise 2: Compute the limits of the following functions at the specified points:

$$a) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{\frac{5x+1}{2x+4}} \quad b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{3 \sin x - \tan x}{x} \right)^{\frac{\sin x + 2x}{x}}$$

$$c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + \cos x)^{\frac{1}{x^2}} \quad d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x - x + 1)^{\frac{1}{1 - \cos x}}$$

$$e) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + \sin x)^{\frac{1}{x}} \quad f) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+7}{x} \right)^x$$

Exercise 3:

$$a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + \sin^2 x + \sin^2 2x + \dots + \sin^2 nx)^{\frac{1}{n^3 x^2}} \right]$$

$$a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1 + \ln(1+x) + \ln(1+2x) + \dots + \ln(1+nx))^{\frac{1}{n^2 x}} \right]$$

Exercise 4: Compute the following limits:

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$$b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x}{x^2+1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$c) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2+5}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^2(1+\frac{5}{x^2})}{x^3} = 0$$

$$d) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x+2)(2x+1)}{x^2+3x+5} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x^2+5x+2}{x^2+3x+5} = 2$$

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

$$f) \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left(\frac{1}{2-x} - \frac{2x}{4-x^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1+x-2x}{(2-x)(2+x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1-x}{(2-x)(2+x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{1}{2+x} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$g) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1+x+x^2+\dots+x^n-(n+1)}{x-1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)+(x-1)(x+1)+(x-1)(x^2+x+1)+\dots+(x-1)(1+x+x^2+\dots+x^{n-1})}{x-1} =$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(1+(x+1)+(x^2+x+1)+\dots+(1+x+x^2+\dots+x^{n-1}))}{x-1} = 1+2+3+\dots+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$h) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+x^2+\dots+x^n-m}{x+x^2+\dots+x^m-m} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)+(x^2-1)+\dots+(x^n-1)}{(x-1)+(x^2-1)+\dots+(x^m-1)} \stackrel{\text{from g)}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(x-1)(1+(x+1)+\dots+(1+x+\dots+x^{n-1}))}{(x-1)(1+(x+1)+\dots+(1+x+\dots+x^{m-1}))} =$$

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

$$i) \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}-1}$$

$$x = t^6$$

$$x \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow t \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^4-1}{x^3-1} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{(t^6)^4-1}{(t^6)^3-1} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} \frac{t^{24}-1}{t^{18}-1} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$k) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[3]{ax^3+x^2+bx+c} - (bx+c) \right) = -c + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt[3]{ax^3+x^2+bx+c} - bx \right) =$$

$$= -c + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{ax^3+x^2+bx+c-b^3x^3}{\sqrt[3]{(ax^3+x^2+bx+c)^2} + bx \sqrt[3]{ax^3+x^2+bx+c} + b^2x^2} =$$

$$= -c + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(a-b^3)x^3+x^2+bx+c}{x^2 \left(\sqrt[3]{a+\frac{1}{x}+\frac{b}{x^2}+\frac{c}{x^3}} + b \sqrt[3]{a+\frac{1}{x}+\frac{b}{x^2}+\frac{c}{x^3}} + b^2 \right)} =$$

We denote the limit by J

$$\text{If } a-b^3 = 0 \Rightarrow a=b^3: J = -c + \frac{1}{3b^2}, \forall a, b, c > 0$$

$$\text{If } a-b^3 \neq 0: J = \begin{cases} -c-\infty, & \text{if } a-b^3 < 0 \\ -c+\infty, & \text{if } a-b^3 > 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} -\infty, & a-b^3 < 0 \\ \infty, & a-b^3 > 0 \end{cases}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - \cos x}{3x} &= \frac{1}{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - \cos x + 1}{x} = \frac{1}{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^x - 1}{x} - \frac{\cos x - 1}{x} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos x}{x} = \\ &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 + 2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{x} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{\frac{x^2}{4}} \cdot \frac{x^2}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{0}{1} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

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$$a) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{\frac{5x+1}{2x+4}} = 0^{\frac{5}{2}} = 0$$

$$b) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{3 \sin x - \tan x}{x} \right)^{\frac{\sin x + 2x}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(3 \cdot \frac{\sin x}{x} - \frac{\tan x}{x} \right)^{\frac{\sin x}{x} + 2} = (3-1)^{1+2} = 2^3 = 8$$

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

$$d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x - x + 1)^{\frac{1}{1 - \cos x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x - x + 1)^{\frac{1}{1 - 1 + 2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x - x + 1)^{\frac{1}{2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x - x + 1)^{\frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{x^2}{4} \cdot \frac{x^2}{4}}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x - x + 1)^{\frac{1}{x^2}} = (1-0+1)^{\frac{1}{0+}} = 2^{\infty} = \infty$$

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

$$f) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+7}{x} \right)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{7}{x} \right)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{x} \right)^{\frac{x}{7}} = e^7$$