

Limit of Functions

Exercise - 1 (Objective Questions)

1. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5^{n+1} + 3^n - 2^{2n}}{5^n + 2^n + 3^{2n+3}} =$
 (A) 5 (B) 3 (C) 1 (D) zero
2. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -1} \frac{\cos 2 - \cos 2x}{x^2 - |x|} =$
 (A) $2 \cos 2$ (B) $-2 \cos 2$ (C) $2 \sin 2$ (D) $-2 \sin 2$
3. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}}$ is:
 (A) 1 (B) -1 (C) 0 (D) none
4. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin^{-1}(\sec x)$.
 (A) is equal to $\pi/2$ (B) is equal to 1 (C) is equal to zero (D) none of these
5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 5} \frac{x^2 - 9x + 20}{x - [x]}$ where $[x]$ is the greatest integer not greater than x :
 (A) is equal to 1 (B) 0 (C) 4 (D) none
6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\pi} \frac{|x + \pi|}{\sin x} :$
 (A) is equal to -1 (B) is equal to 1 (C) is equal to π (D) does not exist
7. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{(x^3 + 27) \ln(x - 2)}{(x^2 - 9)} =$
 (A) -8 (B) 8 (C) 9 (D) -9
8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{100} x^k - 100}{x - 1} =$
 (A) 0 (B) 5050 (C) 4550 (D) -5050
9. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{(x+a)(x+b)} - x) =$
 (A) \sqrt{ab} (B) $\frac{a+b}{2}$ (C) ab (D) none
10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^3 \cdot \sin \frac{1}{x} + x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1} =$
 (A) 0 (B) $1/2$ (C) 1 (D) none

11. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(n+2)! + (n+1)!}{(n+3)!}, n \in \mathbb{N} =$
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) -1
12. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |x|^{\sin x} =$
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) -1 (D) none of these
13. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x^2 - 4x + 2} \right)^x =$
 (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) e^2 (D) e
14. The values of a and b such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x(1+a \cos x) - b \sin x}{x^3} = 1$ are
 (A) $\frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$ (B) $\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}$ (C) $-\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}$ (D) $-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$
15. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \left(\sqrt{3} \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + x \right) - \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{6} + x \right) \right)}{x \sqrt{3} (\sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x)} =$
 (A) -1/3 (B) 2/3 (C) 4/3 (D) -4/3
16. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} x-1, & x \geq 1 \\ 2x^2-2, & x < 1 \end{cases}$, $g(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x > 0 \\ -x^2+1, & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$ and $h(x) = |x|$
 then find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(g(h(x)))$
 (A) 1 (B) 0 (C) -1 (D) does not exist
17. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (1 - x + [x - 1] + [1 - x]) =$ where $[x]$ denotes greatest integer function.
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) -1 (D) does not exist
18. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\sin [x - 3]}{[x - 3]} \right]$, where $[.]$ denotes greatest integer function is :
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) does not exist (D) $\sin 1$
19. Let $f(x) = \begin{cases} x \sin \left(\frac{1}{x} \right) + \sin \left(\frac{1}{x^2} \right) & x \neq 0 \\ 0 & x = 0 \end{cases}$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ equals
 (A) 0 (B) -1/2 (C) 1 (D) none of these.
20. $\lim_{x \rightarrow a^-} \left(\frac{|x|^3}{a} - \left[\frac{x}{a} \right]^3 \right)$ ($a > 0$), where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x is
 (A) $a^2 + 1$ (B) $a^2 - 1$ (C) a^2 (D) $-a^2$
21. Let α, β be the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, where $1 < \alpha < \beta$. Then $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} \frac{|ax^2 + bx + c|}{ax^2 + bx + c} = 1$ then which of the

following statements is incorrect

- (A) $a > 0$ and $x_0 < 1$ (B) $a > 0$ and $x_0 > \beta$
 (C) $a < 0$ and $\alpha < x_0 < \beta$ (D) $a < 0$ and $x_0 < 1$

22. Limit $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 \cdot n + 2(n-1) + 3(n-2) + \dots + n \cdot 1}{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2}$ has the value :

- (A) $\frac{1}{2}$ (B) $\frac{1}{3}$ (C) $\frac{1}{4}$ (D) 1

23. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(1 - e^x) \frac{\sin x}{|x|} \right]$ is (where $[.]$ represents greatest integral part function)

- (A) -1 (B) 1 (C) 0 (D) does not exist

24. If $l = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\sin \sqrt{x+1} - \sin \sqrt{x})$ and $m = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} [\sin \sqrt{x+1} - \sin \sqrt{x}]$ where $[.]$ denotes the greatest integer function then :

- (A) $l = m = 0$ (B) $l = 0$; m is undefined
 (C) l, m both do not exist (D) $l = 0, m \neq 0$ (although m exist)

25. If $f(x) = \sum_{\lambda=1}^n \left(x - \frac{1}{\lambda} \right) \left(x - \frac{1}{\lambda+1} \right)$ then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(0)$ is.

- (A) 1 (B) -1 (C) 2 (D) None

26. The limit $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \left(\left[\frac{n \sin \theta}{\theta} \right] + \left[\frac{n \tan \theta}{\theta} \right] \right)$, where $[x]$ is the greatest integer function and $n \in I$, is

- (A) $2n$ (B) $2n + 1$ (C) $2n - 1$ (D) does not exist

27. The limit $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x - x^2 \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right)$ is equal to :

- (A) $1/2$ (B) $3/2$ (C) $1/3$ (D) 1

28. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi/2} \left[\frac{x - \frac{\pi}{2}}{\cos x} \right]$ is : (where $[.]$ represents greatest integer function).

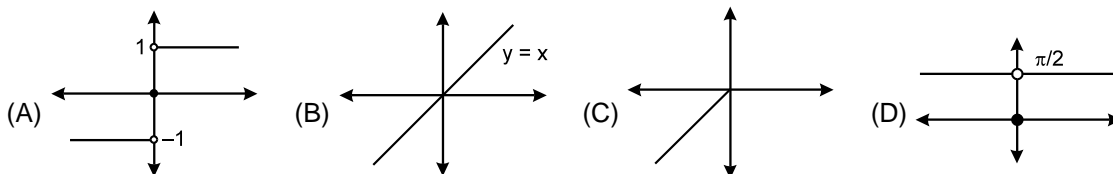
- (A) -1 (B) 0 (C) -2 (D) does not exist

29. If $f(x) = \sin x$, $x \neq n\pi$, $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$
 $= 2$, otherwise and
 $g(x) = x^2 + 1$, $x \neq 0, 2$
 $= 4$, $x = 0$
 $= 5$, $x = 2$

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g[f(x)]$ is :

- (A) 1 (B) 0 (C) 4 (D) does not exist

30. The graph of the function $f(x) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2x}{\pi} \cot^{-1} \frac{x}{t^2} \right)$, is



31. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(\sin x) - \cos x}{x^4}$ is equal to:

- (A) 1/5 (B) 1/6 (C) 1/4 (D) 1/2

32. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^x \left(\left(2^{x^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{e^x}} - \left(3^{x^n} \right)^{\frac{1}{e^x}} \right)}{x^n}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is equal to :

- (A) 0 (B) $\ln(2/3)$ (C) $\ln(3/2)$ (D) none

33. $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\exp \left(x \ln \left(1 + \frac{ay}{x} \right) \right) - \exp \left(x \ln \left(1 + \frac{by}{x} \right) \right)}{y} \right) =$

(A) $a + b$ (B) $a - b$ (C) $b - a$ (D) $-(a + b)$

Exercise - 2 (Subjective Questions)

1. Evaluate the following limits, where $[\cdot]$ represents greatest integer function and $\{ \cdot \}$ represents fractional part function

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} [\sin x]$ (ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \left\{ \frac{x}{2} \right\}$ (iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \pi} \operatorname{sgn} [\tan x]$

2. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 2, & x \geq 2 \\ 1 - x, & x < 2 \end{cases}$ and $g(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & x > 1 \\ 3 - x, & x \leq 1 \end{cases}$, evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(g(x))$.

3. Evaluate each of the following limits, if exists

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{\sqrt{x+2} - \sqrt{3x-2}}$ (ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{a+2x} - \sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3a+x} - 2\sqrt{x}}, a \neq 0$

4. Evaluate the following limits, if exists

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan 3x - 2x}{3x - \sin^2 x}$ (ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(x+2)^{\frac{5}{2}} - (a+2)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{x-a}$

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

5. Evaluate the following limits, if exist :

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 + x - 1} - x$ (ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^2} + \dots + \frac{x}{x^2} \right)$

(iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \{ \cos(\sqrt{x+1}) - \cos(\sqrt{x}) \}$ (iv) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2 - 8x} + x$

6. Evaluate the following limits using expansions :

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - \sin x - \frac{\tan^2 x}{2}}{x^3}$

(ii) If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a + b \sin x - \cos x + ce^x}{x^3}$ exists, then find values of a, b, c. Also find the limit

7. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{[1 \cdot 2x] + [2 \cdot 3x] + \dots + [n \cdot (n+1)x]}{n^3}$ where $[\cdot]$ denotes greatest integer function

8. If $f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{2n} - 1}{x^{2n} + 1}$, find range of f(x).

9. Evaluate the following limits

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(\ln(1+x) - \ln 2)(3 \cdot 4^{x-1} - 3x)}{[(7+x)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (1+3x)^{\frac{1}{2}}] \cdot \sin(x-1)}$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 4} \frac{(\cos \alpha)^x - (\sin \alpha)^x - \cos 2\alpha}{x-4}, \alpha \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$

10. Evaluate the following limits

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^3 \left\{ \sqrt{x^2 + \sqrt{1+x^4}} - x\sqrt{2} \right\}$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{x^5 \tan\left(\frac{1}{\pi x^2}\right) + 3|x|^2 + 7}{|x|^3 + 7|x| + 8}$

11. Evaluate the following limits

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\sin^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2 - ax} \right) \right]^{\sec^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2 - bx} \right)}$

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{a_1^{1/x} + a_2^{1/x} + a_3^{1/x} + \dots + a_n^{1/x}}{n} \right)^{nx}$, where $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n > 0$.

12. Find the values of a & b so that:

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 + ax \sin x) - (b \cos x)}{x^4}$ may find to a definite limit.

(ii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{x^4 + ax^3 + 3x^2 + bx + 2} - \sqrt{x^4 + 2x^3 - cx^2 + 3x - d} \right) = 4$

13. Find the limits using expansion : $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{\lambda n(1+x)^{(1+x)}}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x} \right]$

14. Let $f(x) = \frac{\sin^{-1}(1-\{x\}) \cdot \cos^{-1}(1-\{x\})}{\sqrt{2\{x\}} \cdot (1-\{x\})}$ then find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x)$, where $\{ \cdot \}$ denotes the fractional part function.

15. Let $f(x) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\cos^{2m}(n! \pi x)) \right\}$ where $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \end{cases}$$

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

where $[.]$ denotes the greatest integer function.

17. Evaluate the following limits

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \cos \frac{x}{2} \cos \frac{x}{4} \cos \frac{x}{8} \dots \cos \frac{x}{2^n}$

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} \tan \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} \tan \frac{x}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} \tan \frac{x}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} \tan \frac{x}{2^n}$.

(iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \log_{x-1}(x) \cdot \log_x(x+1) \cdot \log_{x+1}(x+2) \cdot \log_{x+2}(x+3) \dots \log_k(x^5)$; where $k = x^5 - 1$.

(iv) Let $P_n = \frac{2^3-1}{2^3+1} \cdot \frac{3^3-1}{3^3+1} \cdot \frac{4^3-1}{4^3+1} \dots \frac{n^3-1}{n^3+1}$. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n = \frac{2}{3}$.

Answers

Exercise # 1

1. D 2. C 3. D 4. D 5. D 6. D 7. C

8. B 9. B 10. C 11. A 12. B 13. C 14. C

15. C 16. B 17. C 18. C 19. C 20. C 21. D

22. A 23. A 24. B 25. A 26. C 27. A 28. C

29. A 30. C 31. B 32. B 33. B

Exercise # 2

1. (i) 0 (ii) Limit does not exist
(iii) Limit does not exist

2. 6 3. (i) (-8) (ii) $\frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}}$

4. (i) $\frac{1}{3}$ (ii) $\frac{5}{2} (a+2)^{3/2}$ (iii) $2e^2$

5. (i) $\frac{1}{2}$ (ii) $\frac{1}{2}$ (iii) zero (iv) ∞

6. (i) $\frac{1}{3}$ (ii) $a = 2, b = 1, c = -1$ and value = $-\frac{1}{3}$

7. $\frac{x}{3}$

8. $\{-1, 0, 1\}$

9. (i) $-\frac{9}{4} \ln \frac{4}{e}$

(ii) $\cos^4 \alpha \ln(\cos \alpha) - \sin^4 \alpha \ln(\sin \alpha)$

10. (i) $\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}$ (ii) $-\frac{1}{\pi}$

11. (i) $e^{-\frac{a^2}{b^2}}$ (ii) $(a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_n)$

12. (i) $a = -\frac{1}{2}, b = 1$ (ii) $a = 2, b \in \mathbb{R}, c = 5, d \in \mathbb{R}$

13. $\frac{1}{2}$ 14. $\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$ 16. $\frac{1}{3}$

17. (i) $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ (ii) $\frac{1}{x} - \cot x$ (iii) 5