

§6.6

#7. For $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin t^2}{t}$, the form is $\frac{0}{0}$ so l'Hôpital's Rule applies. First calculate $\frac{d \sin t^2}{dt} = -(\cos t^2) \frac{dt^2}{dt} = (-2t) \cos t^2$, so our limit is $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(-2t) \cos t^2}{1} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} -(2t) \cos t^2 = 0$.

#13. Find $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta}$. Since $\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$ and $\cos(2\frac{\pi}{2}) = -1$, the form is $\frac{0}{0}$. Hence

l'Hôpital's Rule applies and our limit is $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{-\cos \theta}{-2 \sin(2\theta)}$. Since $\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 0 = \sin(2\frac{\pi}{2})$,

this second limit also has the form $\frac{0}{0}$ and l'Hôpital's Rule applies. $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{\sin \theta}{-4 \cos(2\theta)} =$

$$\frac{1}{(-4)(-1)} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

#15. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2}{\ln(\sec x)}$. Since $\sec 0 = 1$, $\ln(\sec 0) = 0$ so we have the form $\frac{0}{0}$ and l'Hôpital's

Rule applies. To apply l'Hôpital's Rule, we need to compute $\frac{d \ln(\sec x)}{dx} = \frac{\frac{d \sec x}{dx}}{\sec x} = (\cos x)(\sec x)(\tan x) = \tan x$. Our limit is $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{\tan x}$ which again has the form $\frac{0}{0}$. There

are at least two ways to proceed. First apply l'Hôpital's Rule: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{\sec^2 x} = \frac{2}{1} = 2$. A second way is to simplify first: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x}{\tan x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos x) \frac{2x}{\sin x} = (2 \cos x) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x}$ and we have calculated $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} = 1$, so our limit is $(2 \cos(0)) \cdot 1 = 2$.

#19. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sec x$. The form is $0 \cdot \infty$ so we write $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \left(x - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sec x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{x - \frac{\pi}{2}}{\cos x}$

and this limit has the form $\frac{0}{0}$. By l'Hôpital's Rule, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{x - \frac{\pi}{2}}{\cos x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} \frac{1}{-\sin x}$ and since $\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 1$, our limit is -1 .

#27. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(x^2+2x)}{\ln x}$ which has the form $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$. To apply l'Hôpital's Rule, compute

$$\frac{d \ln(x^2+2x)}{dx} = \frac{2x+2}{x^2+2x} \text{ so } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(x^2+2x)}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{2x+2}{x^2+2x}}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{x(2x+2)}{x^2+2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{2x+2}{x+2} = \frac{2}{2} = 1.$$

#31. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1))$ which has the form $\infty - \infty$. Write $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(x+1)) \left(\frac{\ln(2x)}{\ln(x+1)} - 1\right)$. Compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(2x)}{\ln(x+1)}$ using l'Hôpital's Rule:

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(2x)}{\ln(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{2}{2x}}{\frac{1}{x+1}} = 1$ so this time we have the form $\infty \cdot 0$ and we rewrite again:

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln(2x) - 1}{\frac{1}{\ln(x+1)}}$ which has the form $\frac{0}{0}$. Compute $\frac{d \ln(2x)}{dx} =$

$$\frac{\frac{d \ln(2x)}{dx} \ln(x+1) - (\ln 2x) \frac{d \ln(x+1)}{dx}}{(\ln(x+1))^2} = \frac{\frac{\ln(x+1)}{x} - \frac{\ln(2x)}{x+1}}{(\ln(x+1))^2}; \quad \frac{d \frac{1}{\ln(x+1)}}{dx} = -\frac{1}{(x+1)(\ln(x+1))^2} \text{ so } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) -$$

$$\ln(x+1)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\frac{\ln(x+1)}{x} - \frac{\ln(2x)}{x+1}}{(\ln(x+1))^2}}{-\frac{1}{(x+1)(\ln(x+1))^2}} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(x+1) \ln(x+1)}{x} - \ln(2x). \text{ This looks so much}$$

like the original problem that one feels one is making no progress. We try a different approach. Note

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{x+1}. \text{ This last limit can be computed using l'Hôpital's Rule again to get 2. Since } e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1))} = 2, \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (\ln(2x) - \ln(x+1)) = \ln 2.$$

#37. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \int_x^{2x} \frac{1}{t} dt = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln(2x) - \ln x$. Just as in 31, this last limit is $\ln 2$.

#42. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 e^{-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x}$. l'Hôpital's Rule applies $(\frac{\infty}{\infty})$ to get $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{e^x}$ which still has form $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$, so $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{e^x} = 0$.

#43. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} x^{\frac{1}{1-x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} e^{\frac{\ln x}{1-x}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{\ln x}{1-x}}$. We compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{\ln x}{1-x}$ using l'Hôpital's Rule, so compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-x} = -1$. Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} x^{\frac{1}{1-x}} = e^{-1}$.

#51. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{x \ln x} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x}$, so we compute $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{x}}$ and now we may apply l'Hôpital's Rule. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{\frac{-1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} -x = 0$.

Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x^x = e^0 = 1$.

#53. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}}$. l'Hôpital's Rule applies and $\frac{d\sqrt{9x+1}}{dx} = \frac{9}{2\sqrt{9x+1}}$ and $\frac{d\sqrt{x+1}}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}}$ so we see $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{9}{2\sqrt{9x+1}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}}} = 9 \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x+1}}{\sqrt{9x+1}} = \frac{9}{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}}}$. If

$$L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}} \text{ this shows } L^2 = 9. \text{ Somewhat more easily, } L^2 = \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}} \right)^2 =$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9x+1}{x+1} = 9. \text{ Since } \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}} > 0 \text{ for large } x, \text{ we see } L = 3 \text{ or the limit does not exist, but we have no theorems to help us understand which of these is the case.}$$

To actually compute the limit, proceed as follows. Since $\frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}} > 0$ for large x

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{9x+1}}{\sqrt{x+1}} = \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{9x+1}{x+1}} \sqrt{9} = 3.$$

#57. Calculation b) is correct and follows from the usual quotient rule for limits. Calculation a) is an incorrect application of l'Hôpital's Rule.

#63. Find $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)^k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} e^{k \ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)} = e^{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} k \ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)}$. Compute $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} k \ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right) =$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)}{\frac{1}{k}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{-r}{k^2}}{\frac{-1}{k^2}} = r \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{k}} = r. \text{ Hence } \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)^k = e^r.$$