

## Homework #14: L'Hospital's rule and anti-differentiation

Note: Your work can only be assessed if it is legible.

1. Evaluate the following limits:

(a)  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2t} - 1}{\sin t} \rightarrow \text{indet. form: } \frac{0}{0}$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2t} - 1}{\sin t} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{2e^{2t}}{\cos t} = \frac{2e^0}{\cos 0} = \boxed{2}$$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 - x}$

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

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+1)^{13} - 13x - 1}{x^2} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x+1)^{13} - 13x - 1}{x^2} &\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{13(x+1)^{12} - 13}{2x} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0} \\ &\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{13 \cdot 12 \cdot (x+1)^{11}}{2} \\ &= \frac{13 \cdot 12 \cdot (1)^{11}}{2} \\ &= 13 \cdot 6 = \boxed{78} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sec 0 = \frac{1}{\cos 0} = 1$$

$$(d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x - \sin x} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x - \tan x}{x - \sin x} &\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \sec^2 x}{1 - \cos x} \stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - 2\sec^2 x \tan x}{1 + \sin x} \\ &= \frac{1 - 2(1)(0)}{1 + 0} = \boxed{1} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x^2}{2xe^{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x}{2e^{x^2}} \rightarrow \frac{\infty}{\infty}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{4xe^{x^2}}$$

top = 3  
bottom  $\rightarrow \infty$   
so  
0

$$= \boxed{0}$$

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

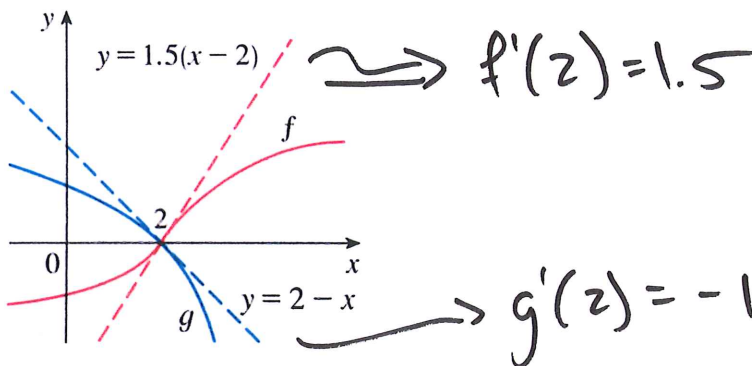
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)}{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{L'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{x}} \cdot \frac{-1}{x^2}}{\frac{-1}{x^2}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{x}} = \frac{1}{1+0} = 1.$$

$$\text{So } \ln \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x \right) = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x = e^1 = \boxed{e}$$

2. Use the graphs of  $f$  and  $g$  and their tangent lines at  $(2, 0)$  to find  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ .

$f(2) = g(2) = 0$   
 so



$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \stackrel{L'H}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = \frac{f'(2)}{g'(2)} = \frac{1.5}{-1} = \boxed{-1.5}$

$\downarrow$   
 $\frac{0}{0}$

3. Complete the following table.

Function	Particular antiderivative	Function	Particular antiderivative
$x^n$ ( $n \neq -1$ )	$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$	$\sin x$	$-\cos x$
$\frac{1}{x}$ ( $x > 0$ )	$\ln x$	$\cos x$	$\sin x$
$e^x$	$e^x$	$\sec^2 x$	$\tan x$
$a^x$	$\frac{a^x}{\ln a}$	$\sec x \tan x$	$\sec x$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\arcsin x$	$\frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\arccos x$
$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\arctan x$		

4. Find the most general antiderivative of the function (use  $C$  as any constant).

(a)  $f(x) = 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 7x^3$

$$F(x) = x + x^2 + x^3 + \frac{7}{4}x^4 + C$$

(b)  $f(x) = 2 \cos x + e^x - 3 \sin x$

$$F(x) = 2 \sin x + e^x + 3 \cos x + C$$

(c)  $f(x) = e^2$

$$F(x) = e^2 x + C$$

5. Find a function  $f(x)$  such that

$$f''(x) = 8x^3 + 5, \quad f(0) = 1, \quad f'(1) = 8.$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{3}x^4 + 5x + C, \quad f'(1) = 8 = 2(1)^4 + 5(1) + C$$

$$\text{so } C = 1$$

$$f'(x) = 2x^4 + 5x + 1$$

$$\text{so } f(x) = \frac{2}{5}x^5 + \frac{5}{2}x^2 + x + D \quad f(0) = 1 \Rightarrow D = 1$$

$$4 \quad \boxed{f(x) = \frac{2}{5}x^5 + \frac{5}{2}x^2 + x + 1}$$

6. The fastest recorded speed an F1 car has hit in a race is roughly 231 miles per hour or about 339 ft/s. Suppose you take such a race car onto an unrestricted section of the autobahn<sup>1</sup> to test its brakes. The maximum braking deceleration an F1 car can apply is 6.3 g<sup>2</sup> or about -202 ft/s<sup>2</sup>.

If, at top speed, you apply the brakes constantly at this force to stop the car, how far will you travel before the car comes to a stop?<sup>3</sup>

*Hint:* Use feet and seconds in your units.

$$a(t) = -202 \quad v(0) = 339 \quad s(0) = 0$$

$$\text{So } v(t) = -202t + C \quad \hookrightarrow \quad v(t) = -202t + 339$$

$$s(t) = -101t^2 + 339t.$$

Car stops when

$$v(t) = -202t + 339 = 0$$

$$\text{So } t = \frac{339}{202}.$$

Car has travelled

$$s\left(\frac{339}{202}\right) = -101\left(\frac{339}{202}\right)^2 + \frac{339^2}{202} \text{ ft}$$

$$\approx 284.46 \text{ ft}$$

7. T/F: (with justification) The antiderivative of  $\cos(x^2)$  is  $\sin(x^2) + C$ .

False

$$\left(\sin(x^2) + C\right)' = 2x \cos(x^2) \neq \cos(x^2).$$

<sup>1</sup> The fastest recorded speed on the autobahn during normal operation (so not for a speed test) is 236 miles per hour.

<sup>2</sup> Here g refers to g-force: 5 g is equivalent to 5 times the acceleration due to gravity on the surface of the earth. For a little context, F1 drivers have reported forced exhalation at 6 g ("having the wind knocked out of you"); 3 g is the maximum acceleration experienced by a Space Shuttle launching or reentering the atmosphere (2.5 - 3 g is what you experience on a carnival "Gravitron"); acrobatic airplane pilots are permitted to force at most 30 g; the Mantis Shrimp (which is a whole footnote on its own) strikes prey with its claw at 10,400 g; and finally  $2 \times 10^{11}$  g is the force of gravity near the surface of a neutron star.

<sup>3</sup> How long would it take you?  $\rightarrow t = \frac{339}{202} = 1.68 \text{ seconds}$