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Worksheet week 10

Calculus I

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1. Use l'Hopital's rule to compute each of the following limits (2.5 pts each):

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(5x) - \cos(3x)}{x^2} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \stackrel{\text{l'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-5\sin(5x) + 3\sin(3x)}{2x} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \stackrel{\text{l'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-25\cos(5x) + 9\cos(3x)}{2} = \frac{-25 \cdot 1 + 9 \cdot 1}{2} = \boxed{-8}$$

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x} \stackrel{\frac{\infty}{\infty}}{=} \stackrel{\text{l'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2(\ln x) \cdot \frac{1}{x}}{1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2 \ln x}{x} \stackrel{\frac{\infty}{\infty}}{=} \stackrel{\text{l'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2 \cdot \frac{1}{x}}{1} = \boxed{0}$$

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\cot x - \frac{1}{x} \right) \quad \infty - \infty \quad \text{indeterminate form}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\cos x}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \cos x - \sin x}{x \cdot \sin x} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \stackrel{\text{l'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 \cdot \cos x + x \cdot (-\sin x) - \cos x}{1 \cdot \sin x + x \cdot \cos x} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \sin x}{\sin x + x \cdot \cos x} = - \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \cdot \sin x}{x \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} + \cos x \right)} = \frac{0}{1+1} = \boxed{0}$$

factor x by force in denom.

you could continue here with l'H one more time

$$(d) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (1 + \sin(4x))^{\cot x} = 1^\infty \text{ indet. form.}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} e^{\ln((1 + \sin(4x))^{\cot x})} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cot x \cdot \ln(1 + \sin(4x))} = e^4$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \cot x \cdot \ln(1 + \sin(4x)) \stackrel{\infty \cdot 0}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(1 + \sin(4x))}{\tan x} \stackrel{\frac{0}{0}}{=} \stackrel{\text{l'H}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{1 + \sin(4x)} \cdot \cos(4x) \cdot 4$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+0} \cdot 1 \cdot 4 = 4$$