

LIMITS [JEE ADVANCED PREVIOUS YEAR SOLVED PAPER]

JEE ADVANCED

Single Correct Answer Type

1. If $f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x - \sin x}{x + \cos^2 x}}$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ is

 - 0
 - ∞
 - 1
 - none of these

(IIT-JEE 1979)

2. If $G(x) = -\sqrt{25 - x^2}$, then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{G(x) - G(1)}{x-1}$ is

 - $\frac{1}{24}$
 - $\frac{1}{5}$
 - $-\sqrt{24}$
 - none of these

(IIT-JEE 1983)

3. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{1-n^2} + \frac{2}{1-n^2} + \dots + \frac{n}{1-n^2} \right\}$ is equal to

 - 0
 - $-\frac{1}{2}$
 - $\frac{1}{2}$
 - none of these

(IIT-JEE 1984)

4. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin[x]}{[x]}, & \text{for } [x] \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{for } [x] = 0 \end{cases}$, where $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x , then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ is

 - 1
 - 0
 - 1
 - none of these

(IIT-JEE 1985)

5. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)}}{x}$ is

 - 1
 - 1
 - 0
 - none of these

(IIT-JEE 1991)

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \cos 2(x-1)}}{x-1}$

 - exists and it equals $\sqrt{2}$
 - exists and it equals 1
 - exists and it equals 0
 - does not exist

d. does not exist because the left-hand limit is not equal to the right-hand limit (IIT-JEE 1998)

7. Let n be an odd integer. If $\sin n\theta = \sum_{r=0}^n b_r \sin^r \theta$, for every value of θ , then

 - $b_0 = 1, b_1 = 3$
 - $b_0 = 0, b_1 = n$
 - $b_0 = -1, b_1 = n$
 - $b_0 = 0, b_1 = n^2 - 3n + 3$

(IIT-JEE 1998)

8. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \tan 2x - 2x \tan x}{(1 - \cos 2x)^2}$ is equal to

 - 2
 - 2
 - 1/2
 - 1/2

(IIT-JEE 1999)

9. For $x \in R$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x-3}{x+2} \right)^x$ is equal to

 - e
 - e^{-1}
 - e^{-5}
 - e^5

(IIT-JEE 2000)

10. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\pi \cos^2 x)}{x^2}$ is equal to

 - $-\pi$
 - π
 - $\pi/2$
 - 1

(IIT-JEE 2001)

11. The integer n for which $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos x - 1)(\cos x - e^x)}{x^n}$ is a finite nonzero number is

 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 4

(IIT-JEE 2002)

12. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\{(a-n)nx - \tan x\} \sin nx}{x^2} = 0$, where n is nonzero real number, then a is

 - 0
 - $\frac{n+1}{n}$
 - n
 - $n + \frac{1}{n}$

(IIT-JEE 2003)

13. The value of $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} ((\sin x)^{1/x} + (1+x)^{\sin x}) = 0$, where $x > 0$, is

 - 0
 - 1
 - 1
 - 2

(IIT-JEE 2006)

14. Let $g(x) = \frac{(x-1)^n}{\log \cos^m(x-1)}$, $0 < x < 2$, m and n are integers, $m \neq 0$, $n > 0$ and let p be the left hand derivative of $|x-1|$ at $x=1$. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} g(x) = p$, then

- a. $n=1, m=1$
b. $n=1, m=-1$
c. $n=2, m=2$
d. $n>2, m=n$

(IIT-JEE 2008)

15. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [1 + x \ln(1 + b^2)]^{1/x} = 2b \sin^2 \theta$, $b > 0$,

smf $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$, then the value of θ is

- a. $\pm \frac{\pi}{4}$
b. $\pm \frac{\pi}{3}$
c. $\pm \frac{\pi}{6}$
d. $\pm \frac{\pi}{2}$ (IIT-JEE 2011)

16. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x + 1} - ax - b \right) = 4$, then

- a. $a=1, b=4$
b. $a=1, b=-4$
c. $a=2, b=-3$
d. $a=2, b=3$

(IIT-JEE 2012)

17. Let $\alpha(a)$ and $\beta(a)$ be the roots of the equation $(\sqrt[3]{1+a}-1)x^2+(\sqrt{1+a}-1)x+(\sqrt[5]{1+a}-1)=0$ where $a > -1$. Then $\lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \alpha(a)$ and $\lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \beta(a)$ are

- a. $-\frac{5}{2}$ and 1
b. $-\frac{1}{2}$ and -1
c. $-\frac{7}{2}$ and 2
d. none of these

(IIT-JEE 2012)

Multiple Correct Answers Type

1. Let $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a - \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \frac{x^2}{4}}{x^4}$, $a > 0$. If L is finite, then
- a. $a=2$
b. $a=1$
c. $L=\frac{1}{64}$
d. $L=\frac{1}{32}$ (IIT-JEE 2009)

Integer Answer Type

1. The largest value of the non-negative integer a for which

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left\{ \frac{-ax + \sin(x-1) + a}{x + \sin(x-1) - 1} \right\}^{\frac{1-x}{1-\sqrt{x}}} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ is}$$

(JEE Advanced 2014)

2. Let m and n be two positive integers greater than 1. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\cos(\alpha^n)} - e}{\alpha^m} = -\frac{e}{2}$, then the value of $\frac{m}{n}$ is

(JEE Advanced 2015)

Fill in the Blanks Type

1. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (1-x) \tan \frac{\pi x}{2} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. (IIT-JEE 1984)

2. If $f(x) = \begin{cases} \sin x, & x \neq n\pi, n \in I \\ 2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$\text{and } g(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 1, & x \neq 0, \\ 4, & x = 0 \\ 5, & x = 2 \end{cases}$$

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g\{f(x)\}$ is $= \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. (IIT-JEE 1986)

3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{x^4 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + x^2}{(1+|x|^3)} \right] = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. (IIT-JEE 1987)

4. ABC is an isosceles triangle inscribed in a circle of radius r . If $AB = AC$ and h is the altitude from A to BC , then triangle ABC has perimeter $P = 2\left(\sqrt{2hr - h^2} + \sqrt{2hr}\right)$ and area $A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ and also

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{P^3} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}. \quad (\text{IIT-JEE 1989})$$

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+6}{x+1} \right)^{x+4} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}. \quad (\text{IIT-JEE 1990})$

6. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1+5x^2}{1+3x^2} \right)^{1/x^2} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}. \quad (\text{IIT-JEE 1996})$

7. $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+2h) - 2\ln(1+h)}{h^2} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}. \quad (\text{IIT-JEE 1997})$

True/False Type

1. If $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} [f(x)g(x)]$ exists, then both $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ exist. (IIT-JEE 1981)

Subjective Type

1. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{a+2x} - \sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3a+x} - 2\sqrt{x}}, (a \neq 0)$. (IIT-JEE 1978)

2. $f(x)$ is the integral of $\frac{2\sin x - \sin 2x}{x^3}$, $x \neq 0$. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) \left[\text{where } f'(x) = \frac{df(x)}{dx} \right]$. (IIT-JEE 1979)

3. Evaluate $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+h)^2 \sin(a+h) - a^2 \sin a}{h}$.

(IIT-JEE 1980)

4. Use the formula $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^x - 1}{x} = \ln a$ to find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x - 1}{(1+x)^{1/2} - 1}$.

(IIT-JEE 1982)

5. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \{\tan(\pi/4 + x)\}^{1/x}$.

(IIT-JEE 1993)

Answer Key

JEE Advanced

Single Correct Answer Type

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|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1. c. | 2. d. | 3. b. | 4. d. |
| 5. d. | 6. d. | 7. b. | 8. c. |
| 9. c. | 10. b. | 11. c. | 12. d. |
| 13. c. | 14. c. | 15. d. | 16. b. |
| 17. b. | | | |

Multiple Correct Answers Type

1. a., c.

Integer Answer Type

1. (2) 2. (2)

Fill in the Blanks Type

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| 1. $\frac{2}{\pi}$ | 2. 1 | 3. -1 |
| 4. $A = h\sqrt{2rh - h^2}, \frac{1}{128r}$ | | 5. e^5 |
| 6. e^2 | 7. -1 | |

True/False Type

1. False

Subjective Type

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|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1. $\frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}}$ | 2. 1 | 3. $a^2 \sin a + 2a \sin a$ |
| 4. $2 \ln 2$ | 5. e^2 | |

Hints and Solutions

JEE Advanced

Single Correct Answer Type

1. c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \frac{\sin x}{x}}{1 + \frac{\cos^2 x}{x}}} = \sqrt{\frac{1-0}{1+0}} = 1$

2. d.
$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{G(x) - G(1)}{x - 1} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-\sqrt{25-x^2} - (-\sqrt{24})}{x-1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\sqrt{24} - \sqrt{25-x^2}}{x-1} \times \frac{\sqrt{24} + \sqrt{25-x^2}}{\sqrt{24} + \sqrt{25-x^2}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^2 - 1}{(x-1)[\sqrt{24} + \sqrt{25-x^2}]} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{24} + \sqrt{25-x^2}} \\ &= \frac{2}{2\sqrt{24}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}} \end{aligned}$$

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{G(x) - G(1)}{x - 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-\sqrt{25-x^2} - (-\sqrt{24})}{x-1} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{x}{\sqrt{25-x^2}}}{\frac{1}{1}} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}} \end{aligned}$$

3. b.
$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{1-n^2} + \frac{2}{1-n^2} + \dots + \frac{n}{1-n^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+2+3+\dots+n}{1-n^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}{1-n^2} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{n}{n^2-1}}{1-\frac{1}{n^2}} = -1/2 \end{aligned}$$

4. d. The given function is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin[x]}{[x]}, & \text{if } x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [1, \infty) \\ 0, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1] \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin[-h]}{[-h]}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(-i)}{(-1)} = \sin 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} f(x) \neq \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x)$$

Therefore, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x)$ does not exist.

5. d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(1-\cos 2x)}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \sin^2 x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{|\sin x|}{x}$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.L.} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|\sin(0-h)|}{0-h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|-\sin h|}{-h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{-h} = -1$$

$$\text{R.H.L.} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|\sin(0+h)|}{0+h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{h} = 1$$

As L.H.L. \neq R.H.L., the given limit does not exist.

6. d. L.H.L. = $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\sqrt{1-\cos[2(x-1)]}}{x-1}$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\sqrt{2\sin^2(x-1)}}{x-1}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{|\sin(x-1)|}{x-1}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|\sin(-h)|}{-h} = \sqrt{2} \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h}{-h} = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{R.H.L.} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} \sqrt{2} \frac{|\sin(x-1)|}{x-1}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{2} \frac{|\sin h|}{h}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{2} \frac{\sin h}{h} = \sqrt{2}$$

L.H.L. \neq R.H.L. Therefore, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f(x)$ does not exist.

7. b. Putting $\theta = 0$, we get $b_0 = 0$

$$\therefore \sin n\theta = \sum_{r=1}^n b_r \sin^r \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin n\theta}{\sin \theta} = \sum_{r=1}^n b_r (\sin \theta)^{r-1}$$

$$= b_1 + b_2 \sin \theta + b_3 \sin^2 \theta + \dots + b_n \sin^{n-1} \theta$$

Taking limit as $\theta \rightarrow 0$, we obtain

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin n\theta}{\sin \theta} = b_1 \Rightarrow b_1 = n.$$

8. c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \tan 2x - 2x \tan x}{4 \sin^4 x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{4 \sin^4 x} \left[\frac{2 \tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x} - 2 \tan x \right]$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x \tan^3 x}{2 \sin^4 x (1 - \tan^2 x)} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x}{\sin x} \frac{1}{\cos^3 x} \frac{1}{1 - \tan^2 x} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times \frac{1}{1^3} \times \frac{1}{1-0} = \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

9. c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x-3}{x+2} \right)^x = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{x-3}{x+2} - 1 \right] x} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{-5x}{x+2} \right]} = e^{-5}$

10. b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\pi \cos^2 x)}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\pi - \pi \cos^2 x)}{x^2}$
 $[\sin(\pi - \theta) = \sin \theta]$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(\pi \sin^2 x)}{\pi \sin^2 x} \times \frac{(\pi \sin^2 x)}{x^2} = \pi$

11. c. $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\cos x - 1)(\cos x - e^x)}{x^n}$
 $= -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)(\cos x - e^x)}{(1 + \cos x)x^n}$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1 - \cos x}{x} + \frac{e^x - 1}{x} \right)}{x^{n-3}} \frac{1}{1 + \cos x}$

L is finite nonzero. Then $n = 3$ (as for $n = 1, 2, L = 0$, and for $n = 4, L = \infty$).

12. d. Given $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{[(a-n)nx - \tan x] \sin nx}{x^2} = 0$, where a is non-zero number. Therefore,

$$n \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin nx}{nx} \left[\left\{ (a-n)n - \frac{\tan x}{x} \right\} \right] = 0$$

$$\text{or } n[(a-n)n - 1] = 0$$

$$\text{or } a = \frac{1}{n} + n$$

13. c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(\sin x)^{1/x} + (1/x)^{\sin x} \right]$
 $= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sin x)^{1/x} + \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)^{\sin x}$
 $= 0 + e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x \log \left(\frac{1}{x} \right)}$
 $= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\log x}{\cosec x}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1/x}{-\cosec x \cot x}}$
 $= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} \tan x} = e^0 = 1$ [Using L'Hospital's rule]

14. c. $|x - 1| = 1 - x, x < 1$
 $\therefore p = \text{left hand derivative of } |x - 1| \text{ at } x = 1 = -1$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^-} g(x) = -1$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} g(1+h) = -1$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{h^n}{\log \cos^m h} \right) = -1$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{h^n}{m \log \cos h} \right) = -1$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{n \cdot h^{n-1}}{m \cdot (-\tan h)} = -1 \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule})$
 $\Rightarrow -\left(\frac{n}{m} \right) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{h^{n-1}}{\tan h} \right) = -1$
 $\text{which holds if } n = m = 2.$

15. d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [1 + x \ln(1+b^2)]^{1/x} = 2b \sin^2 \theta$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} [1 + x \ln(1+b^2) - 1] \frac{1}{x}} = 2b \sin^2 \theta \\
&\Rightarrow e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \ln(1+b^2)} = 2b \sin^2 \theta \\
&\Rightarrow e^{\ln(1+b^2)} = 2b \sin^2 \theta \\
&\Rightarrow 1 + b^2 = 2b \sin^2 \theta \\
&\Rightarrow b + \frac{1}{b} = 2 \sin^2 \theta
\end{aligned}$$

Since $b > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&2 \sin^2 \theta = b + \frac{1}{b} \geq 2 \\
&\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta \geq 1 \\
&\Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = 1 \\
&\Rightarrow \theta = \pm \pi/2
\end{aligned}$$

16. b. $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x+1} - ax - b \right) = 4$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(x + \frac{1}{x+1} - ax - b \right) = 4$
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} ((1-a)x - b) = 4$
 $\Rightarrow 1 - a = 0 \text{ and } -b = 4$
 $\Rightarrow a = 1 \text{ and } b = -4$

17. b. Let $1 + a = y$
 $\Rightarrow (y^{1/3} - 1)x^2 + (y^{1/2} - 1)x + y^{1/6} - 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \left(\frac{y^{1/3} - 1}{y-1} \right) x^2 + \left(\frac{y^{1/2} - 1}{y-1} \right) x + \frac{y^{1/6} - 1}{y-1} = 0$

Now, taking $\lim_{y \rightarrow 1}$ on both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{6} = 0 \\
&\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0 \\
&\Rightarrow x = -1, -\frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Multiple Correct Answers Type

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \text{ a., c.} \quad L &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{a - \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \frac{x^2}{4}}{x^4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2(a + \sqrt{a^2 - x^2})} - \frac{1}{4x^2} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(4-a) - \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}{4x^2(a + \sqrt{a^2 - x^2})}
 \end{aligned}$$

Numerator $\rightarrow 0$ if $a = 2$ and then $L = \frac{1}{64}$.

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{a - \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \frac{x^2}{4}}{x^4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{a - (a^2 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{x^2}{4}}{x^4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{a - a\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{x^2}{4}}{x^4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{a - a\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{x^2}{a^2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(-\frac{x^2}{a^2}\right)^2\right) - \frac{x^2}{4}}{x^4} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2a} - \frac{1}{4}\right)x^2 + \frac{x^4}{8a^3}}{x^4}
 \end{aligned}$$

This limit exists if $\frac{1}{2a} - \frac{1}{4} = 0$ or $a = 2$.

Also, when $a = 2$ then

$$L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{64}{x^4}}{x^4} = \frac{1}{64}$$

Integer Answer Type

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. (2) \quad &\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left\{ \frac{-ax + \sin(x-1) + a}{x + \sin(x-1) - 1} \right\}^{\frac{1-x}{1-\sqrt{x}}} = \frac{1}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow &\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{\frac{\sin(x-1)}{(x-1)} - a}{\frac{\sin(x-1)}{(x-1)} + 1} \right)^{\frac{1+\sqrt{x}}{1-\sqrt{x}}} = \frac{1}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow &\left(\frac{1-a}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow &a = 0, a = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

2. (2) $m \geq 2$ and $n \geq 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{\cos(\alpha^n)} - e}{\alpha^n} \\
 &= \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{e(e^{\cos(\alpha^n)-1} - 1)}{\cos(\alpha^n) - 1} \times \left(\frac{\cos(\alpha^n) - 1}{(\alpha^n)^2} \right) \alpha^n \\
 &= e \times \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{\cos(\alpha^n)-1} - 1}{\cos(\alpha^n) - 1} \right) \times \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\cos(\alpha^n) - 1}{\alpha^{2n}} \right) \times \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \alpha^{2n-m}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e \times 1 \times \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2\sin^2 \frac{\alpha^n}{2}}{\alpha^{2n}} \times \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \alpha^{2n-m} \\
 &= e \times 1 \times \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \times \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \alpha^{2n-m}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, $\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \alpha^{2n-m}$ must be equal to 1.

i.e., $2n - m = 0$

$$\text{or } \frac{m}{n} = 2$$

Fill in the Blanks Type

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad &\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (1-x) \tan \frac{\pi x}{2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1-x)}{\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi x}{2}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{\pi}{2}(1-x)}{\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}(1-x)\right)} \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} (1-x) \tan \frac{\pi x}{2} \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1-x)}{\cot \frac{\pi x}{2}} \quad \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{-1}{-\frac{\pi}{2} \operatorname{cosec}^2 \frac{\pi x}{2}} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\
 &= \frac{2}{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2. \quad f(x) &= \begin{cases} \sin x, & x \neq n\pi, n \in I \\ 2, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\
 \text{and } g(x) &= \begin{cases} x^2 + 1, & x \neq 0 \\ 4, & x = 0 \\ 5, & x = 2 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} g\{f(x)\} = g(f(0^+)) = g((\sin 0^+)) = g(0^+) = (0)^2 + 1 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^-} g\{f(x)\} = g(f(0^-)) = g((\sin 0^-)) = g(0^-) = (0)^2 + 1 = 1$$

Hence, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} g\{f(x)\} = 1$.

$$3. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{x^4 \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + x^2}{(1 + |x|^3)} \right] = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{x \sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{x}}{\frac{1}{x^3} - 1} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{\frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\frac{1}{x}} + \frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^3} - 1} \right] = \frac{1+0}{0-1} = -1$$

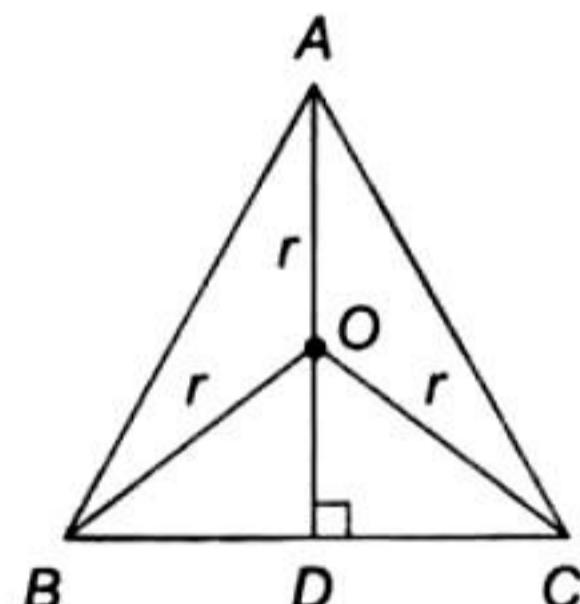
4. In ΔABC , $AB = AC$, $AD \perp BC$ (D is the midpoint of BC).

Let r = radius of circumcircle

$$\therefore OA = OB = OC = r$$

$$\text{Now, } BD = \sqrt{BO^2 - OD^2} = \sqrt{r^2 - (h-r)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2rh - h^2}$$



$$\therefore BC = 2\sqrt{2rh - h^2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AD = h\sqrt{2rh - h^2}$$

$$\text{Also, } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{A}{P^3} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h\sqrt{2rh - h^2}}{8\left(\sqrt{2rh - h^2} + \sqrt{2r}\right)^3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{h^{3/2} \sqrt{2r-h}}{8h^{3/2} \left(\sqrt{2r-h} + \sqrt{2r}\right)^3}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{2r-h}}{8\left[\sqrt{2r-h} + \sqrt{2r}\right]^3}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2r}}{8\left(\sqrt{2r} + \sqrt{2r}\right)^3} = \frac{\sqrt{2r}}{8 \times 8 \times 2r \times \sqrt{2r}} = \frac{1}{128r}$$

$$5. \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+6}{x+1} \right)^{x+4} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1 + \frac{6}{x}}{1 + \frac{1}{x}} \right)^{x+4}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{6}{x}\right)^x}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x} \left(\frac{1 + \frac{6}{x}}{1 + \frac{1}{x}} \right)^4 \left[\text{Using } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{x}\right)^x = e^\lambda \right]$$

$$= \frac{e^6}{e} \left(\frac{1}{1} \right)^4 = e^5$$

Alternative Method:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+6}{x+1} \right)^{x+4} \quad \left(1^\infty \text{ form as } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x+6}{x+1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \frac{6}{x}}{1 + \frac{1}{x}} = 1 \right)$$

$$= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x+6}{x+1} - 1 \right)(x+4)}$$

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

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

$$= e^5$$

$$6. \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1+5x^2}{1+3x^2} \right)^{1/x^2} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+5x^2)^{1/x^2}}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (1+3x^2)^{1/x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(1 + 5x^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{x^2}}}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(1 + 3x^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{x^2}}}^5$$

$$= e^{5-3} = e^2$$

$$7. \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+2h) - 2\ln(1+h)}{h^2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \left[\frac{(1+2h)}{1+2h+h^2} \right]}{h^2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \ln \left[\frac{1 + \frac{-h^2}{1+2h+h^2}}{-h^2} \right] \times \frac{-1}{1+2h+h^2}$$

$$= 1 \times \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{1+2h+h^2} \quad \left[\text{Using } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(1+x)}{x} = 1 \right]$$

$$= -1$$

Alternative Method:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln(1+2h) - 2\ln(1+h)}{h^2}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2}{1+2h} - \frac{2}{1+h} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule})$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1+h-1-2h}{h(1+h)(1+2h)}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{-1}{(1+h)(1+2h)}$$

$$= -1$$

True/False Type

1. **False.** Consider $f(x) = \frac{|x-a|}{x-a}$, $g(x) = \frac{x-a}{|x-a|}$. Then, $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} (f(x) \times g(x))$ exists, but $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$ do not exist. Therefore, statement is false.

Subjective Type

$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad & \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{a+2x} - \sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3a+x} - 2\sqrt{x}} \left(\text{form } \frac{0}{0} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(\sqrt{a+2x} - \sqrt{3x})(\sqrt{a+2x} + \sqrt{3x})}{(\sqrt{3a+x} - 2\sqrt{x})(\sqrt{3a+x} + 2\sqrt{x})} \frac{(\sqrt{3a+x} + 2\sqrt{x})}{(\sqrt{a+2x} + \sqrt{3x})} \\ &\quad \left(\text{form } \frac{0}{0} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{(a+2x-3x)}{(3a+x-4x)} \frac{(\sqrt{3a+x} + 2\sqrt{x})}{(\sqrt{a+2x} + \sqrt{3x})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{3a+x} + 2\sqrt{x}}{3(\sqrt{a+2x} + \sqrt{3x})} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3a+a} + 2\sqrt{a}}{3(\sqrt{a+2a} + \sqrt{3a})} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{4\sqrt{a}}{2\sqrt{3a}} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\sqrt{a+2x} - \sqrt{3x}}{\sqrt{3a+x} - 2\sqrt{x}} \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{a+2x}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{x}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3a+x}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3a}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{a}}}{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{4a}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{\frac{1}{4} - 1} = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}}{-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad & f(x) = \int \frac{2 \sin x - \sin 2x}{x^3} dx, x \neq 0 \\ & \therefore f'(x) = \frac{2 \sin x - \sin 2x}{x^3}, x \neq 0 \\ & \therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin x - \sin 2x}{x^3} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin x (1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)}{x^3 (1 + \cos x)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \times \frac{\sin^3 x}{x^3} \times \frac{1}{1 + \cos x} = 2 \times (1)^3 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \sin x - \sin 2x}{x^3} \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2 \cos x - 2 \cos 2x}{3x^2} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \sin x + 4 \sin 2x}{6x} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \cos x + 8 \cos 2x}{6} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3. \quad & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+h)^2 \sin(a+h) - a^2 \sin a}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^2[\sin(a+h) - \sin a] + 2ah \sin(a+h) + h^2 \sin(a+h)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{a^2 \left[2 \cos\left(a + \frac{h}{2}\right) \sin\frac{h}{2} \right]}{2 \times \frac{h}{2}} + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} 2a \sin(a+h) \\ &\quad + \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} h \sin(a+h) \\ &= a^2 \cos a + 2a \sin a \end{aligned}$$

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{(a+h)^2 \sin(a+h) - a^2 \sin a}{h} \left(\frac{0}{0} \text{ form} \right) \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{2(a+h)\sin(a+h) + (a+h)^2 \cos(a+h)}{1} \quad (\text{Applying L'Hospital's Rule}) \\ &= 2a \sin a + a^2 \cos a \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4. \quad & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x - 1}{\sqrt{1+x} - 1} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x - 1}{\sqrt{1+x} - 1} \times \frac{\sqrt{1+x} + 1}{\sqrt{1+x} + 1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(2^x - 1)(\sqrt{1+x} + 1)}{1+x-1} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2^x - 1}{x} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sqrt{1+x} + 1) \\ &= \ln 2 (1+1) = 2 \ln 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5. \quad & \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x\right) \right\}^{1/x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{1 + \tan x}{1 - \tan x} \right\}^{1/x} \\ &= \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(1 + \tan x)^{1/\tan x} \right]^{\frac{\tan x}{x}}}{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[(1 - \tan x)^{-1/\tan x} \right]^{\frac{\tan x}{x}}} \\ &= \frac{e}{e^{-1}} = e^2 \end{aligned}$$

Alternative Method:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x\right) \right\}^{1/x}$$

(1[∞] form)

$$= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{4} + x\right) - 1 \right\} \frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{2 \tan x}{1 + \tan x} \right\} \frac{1}{x}}$$
$$= e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x}{x} \cdot \frac{2}{1 + \tan x}}$$
$$= e^2$$