

1 (A)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin^2(x)}{1 - \cos(x)}$

With  $f(x) = \frac{\sin^2(x)}{1 - \cos(x)}$ , we see that  $f(0) = \frac{0}{1} = 0$ . Since  $f(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x) = f(0)$ .

(B) Write  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos^2(x)}{1 - \sin(x)}$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos^2(x) = 0$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 - \sin(x) = 0$ . Therefore we may apply L'Hopital's rule to get  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos^2(x)}{1 - \sin(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-2 \cos(x) \sin(x)}{-\cos(x)}$ .

We may algebraically simplify the expression inside the limit to see that  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 2 \sin(x)$ . As  $2 \sin(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ ,  $L = 2 \sin(0) = 0$ .

(C) Write  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{100}}{e^x}$ .

The function  $g(x) = x^{1/100}$  is continuous on  $[0, \infty)$ . Therefore  $\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{100}}{e^x}\right)^{1/100} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x^{100}}{e^x}\right)^{1/100}$ , i.e.  $L^{1/100} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{e^{x/100}}$ .

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{x/100} = \infty$ . Therefore we may apply L'Hopital's rule to get  $L^{1/100} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^{x/100}/100}$ .

We may algebraically simplify the expression inside the limit to see that  $L^{1/100} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 100e^{-x/100}$ , which  $L^{1/100} = 0$ . Hence  $L = 0$ .

(D)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln(x))^{100}}{x}$

The continuity of  $g(x) = x^{1/100}$  may be used again to deduce the limit. As an alternative method, we consider  $x = e^u$ . We have  $u = \ln(x)$ , and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} u = \infty$ .

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$  mean that

We note that if the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = L$ , then for any given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N > 0$  so that  $n \geq N \Rightarrow |f(x) - L| < \epsilon$ . We also note that for any function  $g(u)$  that increases without bound as  $u \rightarrow \infty$  we have given any  $N > 0$ , there exists  $N_2 > 0$  so that  $n \geq N_2 \Rightarrow g(u) > N$ . Thus,  $n \geq N_2$  means that  $|f(g(u)) - L| < \epsilon$ , i.e.  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} f(g(u)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ .

We then observe that  $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u^{100}}{e^u} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln(x))^{100}}{x}$ .

Thus, by part (C),  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(\ln(x))^{100}}{x} = 0$ .

(E) Write  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+1}}{x}$ .

We apply the algebraic limit theorem to write  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+1}}{x} \div \frac{x}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{1+1/x^2}}{1}$ .

Apply the continuity of  $\sqrt{x}$  to see that  $L = \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + 1/x^2}$ .

Apply the algebraic limit theorems to see that  $L = \sqrt{\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{-2}}$

and apply the known limits of a constant, and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^p$  to see that  $L = \sqrt{1+0} = 1$ .

*Alternate methods:* Since  $x^2$  is continuous everywhere,

$L^2 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2+1}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ . By the algebraic limit theorems this is  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 + \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{x^2}$ . The continuity of the constant function shows that the first limit is 1. The archimedean principle and the ordering of integers shows that the second limit is 0. Thus,  $L = 1 + 0 = 1$ .

*L'Hopital's Rule:*  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{x^2+1} = \infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x = \infty$ . Therefore we may apply L'Hopital's rule. This gives us  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+1}}$ , which is  $\frac{1}{L}$ , by the algebraic limit theorems. Thus  $L = \frac{1}{L}$  and  $L = \pm 1$ .

Since  $\sqrt{x^2+1} > x > 0$ ,  $L$  must be non-negative. Hence  $L = 1$ .

*Composition of functions:* Substitute  $x = \tan(\theta)$ . Then  $L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2+1}}{x} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{\sec(\theta)}{\tan(\theta)} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{1}{\sin(\theta)}$ . By the algebraic limit theorems, this is  $L = \frac{\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} 1}{\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \sin(\theta)}$ . The continuity of 1 and  $\sin(\theta)$  shows that this simplifies to  $L = \frac{1}{\sin(\pi/2)} = 1$ .