

**L'Hôpital's Rule**

If  $f$  and  $g$  are differentiable and  $g'(x) \neq 0$  on an interval containing  $a$  (except possibly at  $x = a$ ). If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0$  then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

so long as the right-hand limit exists, or is  $\pm\infty$ . Moreover, the same technique can be used

- if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \pm\infty$  and  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = \pm\infty$ ,
  - for one-sided limits,
  - for limits at infinity.
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Compute the following limits.

1.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(5x)}{\sin(3x)}$

2.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos(x) - 1}{x}$

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

4.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} x e^x$ .

5.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\arcsin(x)}{x}$

6.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x}{x+3}$ . Careful!!

7.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{e^{1/x}}{\ln x}$ .

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