

MTH 32. QUIZ 4. NAME: _____

[12] **1.** Find the following limits, justifying your answer:

a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2t} - 1}{\sin x}$.

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^{2t} - 1) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin x = 0$. Therefore the limit has the form $\frac{0}{0}$ and we can use L'Hopital's rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{2t} - 1}{\sin x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2e^{2t}}{\cos x} = \frac{2}{1} = 2.$$

b) $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta}$.

Solution: $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} (1 - \sin \theta) = 0$ and $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} (1 + \cos 2\theta) = 0$. Therefore the limit has the form $\frac{0}{0}$ and we can use L'Hopital's rule:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{-\cos \theta}{-2 \sin 2\theta}.$$

Again, $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} (-\cos \theta) = 0$ and $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} (-2 \sin 2\theta) = 0$, so we use L'Hopital again:

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{1 - \sin \theta}{1 + \cos 2\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{-\cos \theta}{-2 \sin 2\theta} = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2} \frac{\sin \theta}{-4 \cos 2\theta} = \frac{\sin \pi/2}{-4 \cos 2\pi/2} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+2x} - \sqrt{1-4x}}{x}$.

Solution: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\sqrt{1+2x} - \sqrt{1-4x}) = 0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 0 = 0$. Therefore we can use L'Hopital's rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+2x} - \sqrt{1-4x}}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{2}{2\sqrt{1+2x}} - \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{1-4x}}}{1} = \frac{2}{2\sqrt{1}} - \frac{-4}{2\sqrt{1}} = 3.$$

Alternatively, multiply numerator and denominator by the conjugate of the numerator:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sqrt{1+2x} - \sqrt{1-4x}}{x} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\sqrt{1+2x} - \sqrt{1-4x})(\sqrt{1+2x} + \sqrt{1-4x})}{x(\sqrt{1+2x} + \sqrt{1-4x})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{(1+2x) - (1-4x)}{x(\sqrt{1+2x} + \sqrt{1-4x})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6x}{x(\sqrt{1+2x} + \sqrt{1-4x})} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{6}{(\sqrt{1+2x} + \sqrt{1-4x})} \\ &= \frac{6}{2} \\ &= 3. \end{aligned}$$