In this assignment you are given a function y = f(z), where  $f: (0, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$ , and you are asked to find the limit of y = f(z) as  $z \to \infty$ , i.e.,

$$\lim_{z \to \infty} f(z) \qquad \text{which can also be written as} \qquad \lim_{\substack{z \to \infty \\ z \in \mathbb{R}}} f(z) \,.$$

The limits in this assignment are used often in Calc. II and can be done using just Calc. I knowledge. Recall: the handout *Indetermine Forms (L'Hôpital's Rule)*, which is a summary/review of L'H rule, can be found on the course homepage under Handouts (see **Preparation**).

## Instructions.

**First** compute the limits by-hand, showing all your work below the box and then putting your answer in the box. **Next** use Maple to check your answers. **Hand in** only your by-hand work.





**3.** Let c > 0 be a positive constant.  $\lim_{\substack{z \to \infty \\ z \in \mathbb{R}}} c^{1/z} =$ 

Hint:  $\ln(c^{1/z}) = (\frac{1}{z}) \ln c = \frac{\ln c}{z}$  and since c is a constant,  $\ln c$  is also a constant.

4. Let c be a constant. Think of c as a fixed number, for example  $\frac{1}{17}$ .

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**4a.** If 0 < c < 1 then  $\lim_{\substack{z \to \infty \\ z \in \mathbb{R}}} c^z =$ Hint:  $\ln(c^z) = z \ln c$  and since 0 < c < 1 is a constant,  $\ln c$  is also a constant and  $\ln c < 0$ .

**4b.** If 
$$c = 1$$
 then  $\lim_{\substack{z \to \infty \\ z \in \mathbb{R}}} c^z =$  Hint: For each  $z \in \mathbb{R}$  we have  $c^z = 1^z = 1$ .

**4c.** If c > 1 then  $\lim_{\substack{z \to \infty \\ z \in \mathbb{R}}} c^z =$ Hint:  $\ln(c^z) = z \ln c$  and since c > 1 is a constant,  $\ln c$  is also a constant and  $\ln c > 0$ .

5. Let c be a constant. 
$$\lim_{\substack{z \to \infty \\ z \in \mathbb{R}}} \left(1 + \frac{c}{z}\right)^z =$$
Hint: 
$$\lim_{z \to \infty} \left(1 + \frac{c}{z}\right)^z$$
 has the indetermine form  $1^{\infty}$  so consider  $\ln\left(\left(1 + \frac{c}{z}\right)^z\right)$  and rewrite
$$\ln\left(\left(1 + \frac{c}{z}\right)^z\right) = z \ln\left(1 + \frac{c}{z}\right) = \frac{\ln\left(1 + \frac{c}{z}\right)}{\frac{1}{z}} \stackrel{\text{also}}{=} \frac{\ln\left(\frac{z+c}{z}\right)}{\frac{1}{z}}$$
. Now apply L'H. If needed, use&connect another sheet of paper.