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 Quiz # 5W

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1. Evaluate

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln x}{x^2 + x - 2}$

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{x^2 + x - 2}$. [3]

2. Find y' if $y = 3^{x^2} + x^{x^2}$, for $x > 0$. [4]

3. If the half-life of radon-x is 5 years, what percentage of the amount present now will be remaining after 2 years? [3]

SOLUTION

For 1a)

since $\ln 1 = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\ln x}{x^2 + x - 2} = \frac{0}{0} \text{ (L'H.)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{2x + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

for b)

since " $\ln(0^+)$ " = $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln x = -\infty$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln x}{x^2 + x - 2} = \frac{-\infty}{-2} \text{ (NOL'H.)} = +\infty$$

For 2)

using $a^b = e^{a \ln b}$, $a > 0$

by Chain and product Rules

$$y = 3^{x^2} + x^{x^2} = e^{x^2 \ln 3} + e^{x^2 \ln x} \text{ so } y' = e^{x^2 \ln 3} (x^2 \ln 3)' + e^{x^2 \ln x} (x^2 \ln x)' =$$

$$= e^{x^2 \ln 3} (2x \ln 3) + e^{x^2 \ln x} \left(2x \ln x + x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} \right) = \ln 3 \cdot e^{x^2 \ln 3} (2x) + e^{x^2 \ln x} (2x \ln x + x)$$

also

$$y' = 3^{x^2} (\ln 3) (x^2)' + u'$$

using log.diff. but only for $u = x^{x^2}$, and $(3^v)' = 3^v \ln 3 \cdot v'$ with $v = x^2$

$$u = x^{x^2} \quad \ln u = \ln x^{x^2} = x^2 \ln x \quad \frac{u'}{u} = 2x \ln x + x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x}$$

$$u' = x^{x^2} [2x \ln x + x] \text{ and } y' = 3^{x^2} (\ln 3) 2x + u' \dots \text{as above}$$

For 3)

the correct formula for the amount present $A(t) = A_0 e^{kt}$ where $k < 0$
 t in years, $A_0 = 100\%$ half-life T means that $50 = 100 e^{kT}$

solve for k $\frac{50}{100} = e^{kT}$ apply \ln to both sides

$$\ln \frac{1}{2} = Tk = 5k \quad k = \frac{\ln 0.5}{5} = -0.1386294$$

and

in % $A(t) = 100e^{kt}$ for k calculated above

now

$$t = 2 \quad A(2) = 100e^{k2} = 100e^{\frac{2\ln 0.5}{5}} = 75.78582 \%$$