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5. Compute the following limits.

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We use logarithmic differentiation. Since

$$\frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{d}{dx} \ln(f(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} x \ln(x) = \ln(x) + \frac{x}{x} = \ln(x) + 1,$$

we have $f'(x) = f(x)(\ln(x) + 1) = x^x \ln(x) + x^x$.

2. Find all values a , if any, where the tangent line to $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-1}$ at a is parallel to the line $y = x - 1$.

We have $f'(x) = \frac{x-1-(x+1)}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{-2}{x^2-2x+1}$ by the quotient rule. Since the line $y = x - 1$ has a slope of 1, the tangent line at a is parallel to it if and only if $f'(a) = 1$. This implies $a^2 - 2a + 1 = -2$, i.e. $a^2 - 2a + 3 = 0$. Thus

$$a = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 12}}{2} = 1 \pm \frac{i\sqrt{8}}{2}.$$

Hence no such real number a exists.

3. Compute the following integral.

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{\pi}} x^3 \sin(-x^2) dx$$

We first use integration by substitution. Let $u = -x^2$. Then $\frac{du}{dx} = -2x$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\sqrt{\pi}} x^3 \sin(-x^2) dx &= \int_0^{-\pi} \frac{1}{2} u \sin(u) du \\ &= \left[-\frac{1}{2} u \cos(u) \right]_0^{-\pi} + \int_0^{-\pi} \frac{1}{2} \cos(u) du \\ &= \left[-\frac{1}{2} u \cos(u) \right]_0^{-\pi} + \left[\frac{1}{2} \sin(u) \right]_0^{-\pi} \\ &= -\frac{\pi}{2} + 0 = -\frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

using integration by parts.

4. Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating the region under the graph of $y = \frac{1}{x}$ for $x \geq 1$ about the x -axis.

This figure is called Torricelli's trumpet. It has infinite surface area but its volume is

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{\pi}{x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{\pi}{x^2} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{\pi}{x} \Big|_1^t = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \pi - \frac{\pi}{t} = \pi.$$

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(a) $\frac{3}{5}$

(b) $\frac{3}{2}$

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$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$