

QUIZ-4, SAMPLE SOLUTION

Evaluate

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\ln(x+1))^x. \quad [0^0]$$

$$\text{Let } y = (\ln(x+1))^x$$

Note that around zero, $\ln(x+1) > 0$ (*)

$$\Rightarrow \ln y = x \cdot \underbrace{\ln(\ln(x+1))}_{\text{defined by (*)}}$$

$$\text{We'll find } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\ln(x+1))^x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider the } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln y &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln(\ln(x+1)) \quad [0 \cdot \infty] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(\ln(x+1))}{1/x} \quad \left[\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right] \end{aligned}$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-x^2}{(x+1) \ln(x+1)} \quad \left[\frac{0}{0}\right]$$

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

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{-2x}{\ln(x+1) + 1} = 0$$

Hence, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln y = 0$

ie,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln y = \overset{\substack{\text{ln x cont on } (0, \infty)}}{\ln \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y \right)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} y = e^0 = 1 = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} (\ln(x+1))^x$$