

Here we will explore here several “types” of limits.

1. First, we want to compute the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 3} \frac{x-3}{x^2-9}$ .

(a) What happens when you try to plug in  $x = 3$ ?

(b) Then, what “algebraic manipulation” can we do to compute such a limit ? What answer do we get?  
(check back section 2.2 of the textbook if you are not sure anymore.

2. Let us now try to compute the following limits:

(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{\sin x},$

(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{e^x},$

(c)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \ln x,$

(d)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^{1/x}$

For each of them, what do you get if you try to directly plug in the values? What kind of expression do you get in each case?

Can you use a similar technique to the one used in i) to compute these limits?

In class we will see a technique to “easily” compute such limits.