

Previously we found the limit of an expression which appeared to approach  $\frac{0}{0}$  .

Determine this limit.  $\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 - 2x}{x^2 + 3x - 10}$ 

We also were able to geometrically determine this limit.  $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$ 

## L'Hopital's Rule:

If 
$$\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = \lim_{x \to a} g(x) = 0$$
 and  $\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$  exists

(either finite or 
$$\pm \infty$$
), then  $\lim_{x\to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x\to a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$ .

This makes both of the previous problems more simple.

EX 1 Determine these limits using the rule above.

a) 
$$\lim_{x \to 2} \frac{x^2 - 2x}{x^2 + 3x - 10}$$

b) 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

EX 2 
$$\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2\sin x}$$

EX 3 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{7^{\sqrt{x}} - 1}{2^{\sqrt{x}} - 1}$$

EX 4 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x - \tan x}{x^2 \sin x}$$

EX 5 
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\cos x}{x}$$

EX 6 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} \frac{\int_0^x \sqrt{t} \cos t \, dt}{x^2}$$

EX 7 
$$\lim_{x \to 0^{-}} \frac{\sin x + \tan x}{e^{x} + e^{-x} - 2}$$