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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \Rightarrow f \text{ grows slower than } g \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty \\ & \Rightarrow g = \text{faster} = f \\ \infty & \Rightarrow f \text{ grows faster than } g \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty \\ & \Rightarrow g = \text{slower} = f \\ C \neq 0 & \Rightarrow f \text{ and } g \text{ grow at same rate as } x \rightarrow \infty \end{cases}$$

⑥ Compare with $\ln x$
(which function grows faster / slower / same rate as $x \rightarrow \infty$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \log_2 x^2 &\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x^2}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\ln x^2}{\ln 2}}{\ln x} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2 \ln x}{\ln 2} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln x} = \frac{2}{\ln 2} \end{aligned}$$

$\log_2 x^2$ and $\ln x$ grow at same rate as $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{b) } \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} \ln x} = \frac{1}{\infty} = 0$$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ grows slower than $\ln x$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$
 or $\ln x$ is faster $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} =$

$$(e) \quad x - 2 \ln x \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x - 2 \ln x}{\ln x} \quad \frac{\infty - \infty}{\infty}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{x}{\ln x} - 2 \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}} - 2 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (x - 2) = \infty - 2 = \boxed{\infty}$$

$x - 2 \ln x$ grows faster than $\ln x$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$
 or $\ln x$ is slower $= x - 2 \ln x =$

$$(f) \quad e^{-x} \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{\ln x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e^x (\ln x)} = \frac{1}{\infty} = \boxed{0}$$

e^{-x} grows slower than $\ln x$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$
 or $\ln x$ is faster $= e^{-x} =$