

12.1) Functions of Several Variables

6,7 Specify the domains of the given functions.

Q6) $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}}$

* The denominator must be nonzero.

* The number in squareroot must be ≥ 0 .

So f is defined if $x^2 - y^2 > 0 \Rightarrow x^2 > y^2 \Rightarrow |x| > |y|$

$$\text{Dom}(f) = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |x| > |y| \}$$

Q7) $f(x, y) = \ln(1 + xy)$

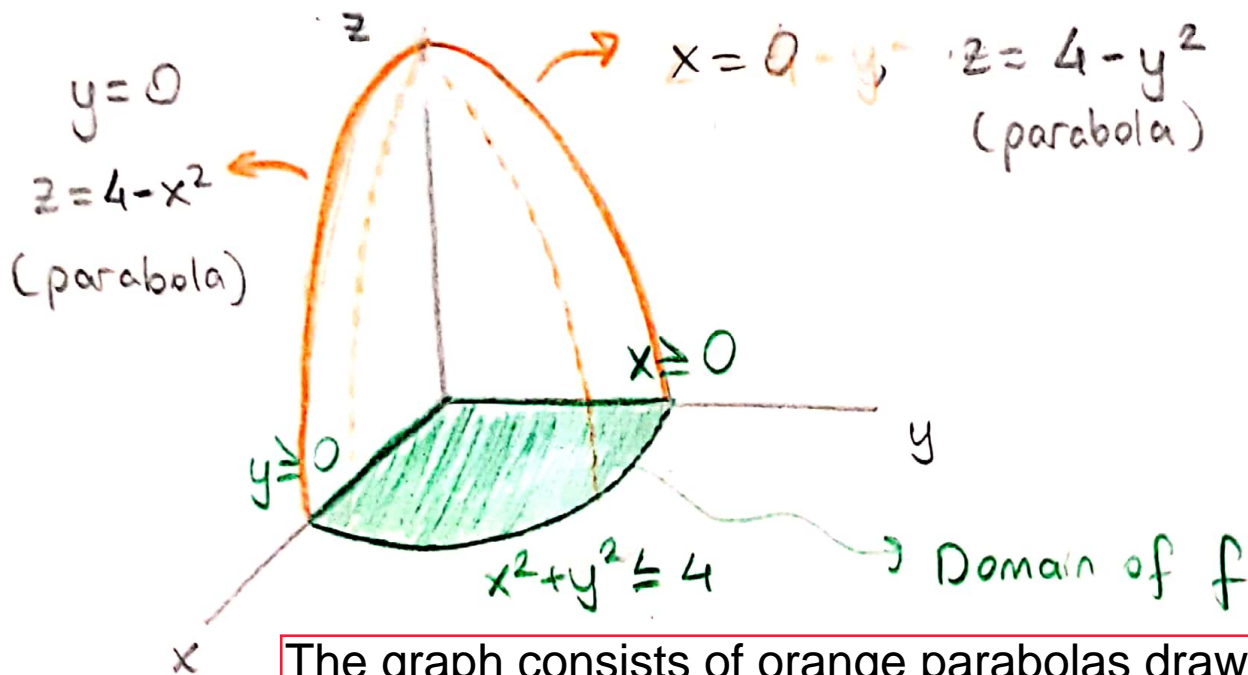
* $\ln t$ is defined for $t > 0$.

$$\text{So, } 1 + xy > 0 \Rightarrow xy > -1$$

$$\text{Dom}(f) = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : xy > -1 \}$$

14 Sketch the graph of

$$f(x, y) = 4 - x^2 - y^2 \quad (x^2 + y^2 \leq 4, x \geq 0, y \geq 0)$$



The graph consists of orange parabolas drawn from $z=4$ to the green quarter circle.

19, 20 Sketch some of the level curves of the given functions

Q19) $f(x, y) = x - y$.

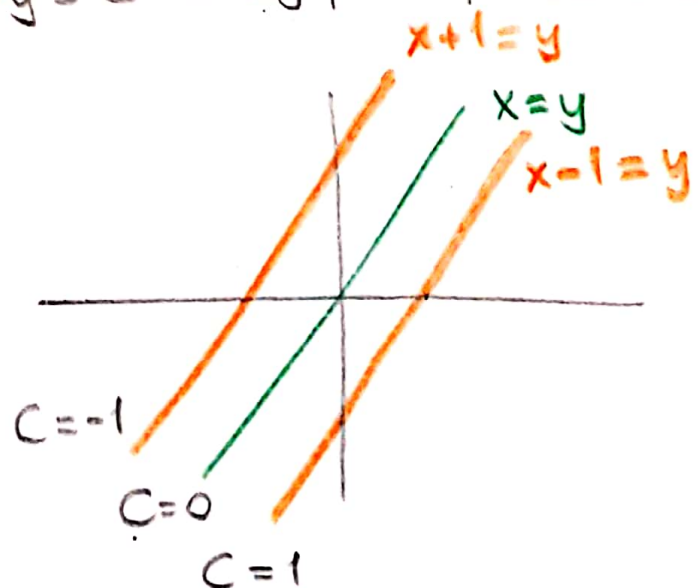
Consider the curves $x - y = C$ in xy -plane for some $C \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$x - y = 0 \Rightarrow y = x$$

$$x - y = 1 \Rightarrow y = x - 1$$

$$x - y = 2 \Rightarrow y = x - 2$$

$$x - y = -1 \Rightarrow y = x + 1$$

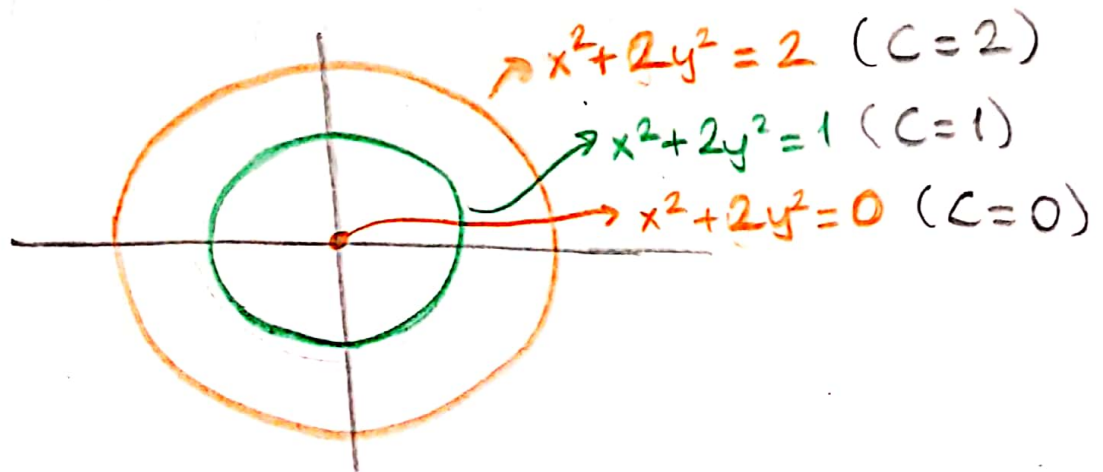


Q20) $f(x,y) = x^2 + 2y^2$

* $x^2 + 2y^2 = 0$ (origin)

* $x^2 + 2y^2 = 1$ (ellipse) $x = \pm 1, y = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ intercepts

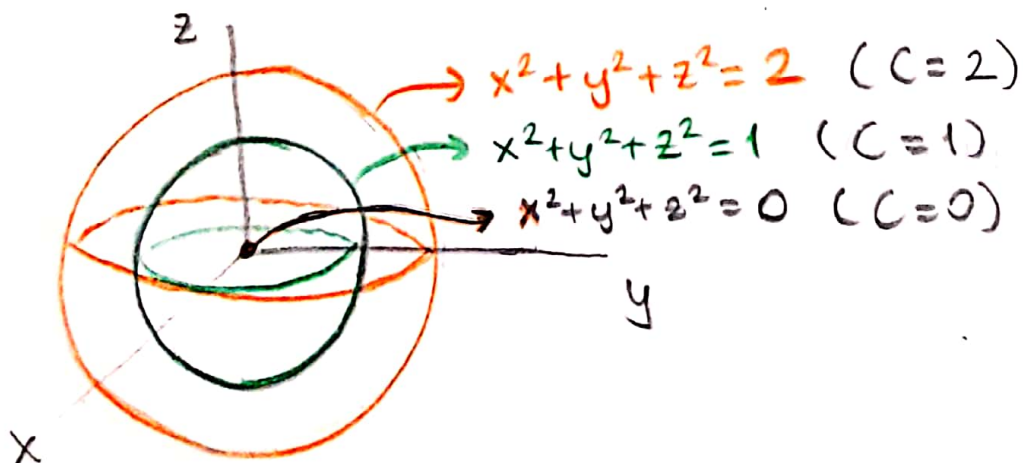
* $x^2 + 2y^2 = 2$ (ellipse) $x = \pm \sqrt{2}, y = \pm 1$ intercepts



37 39 Describe the level surfaces of the given functions.

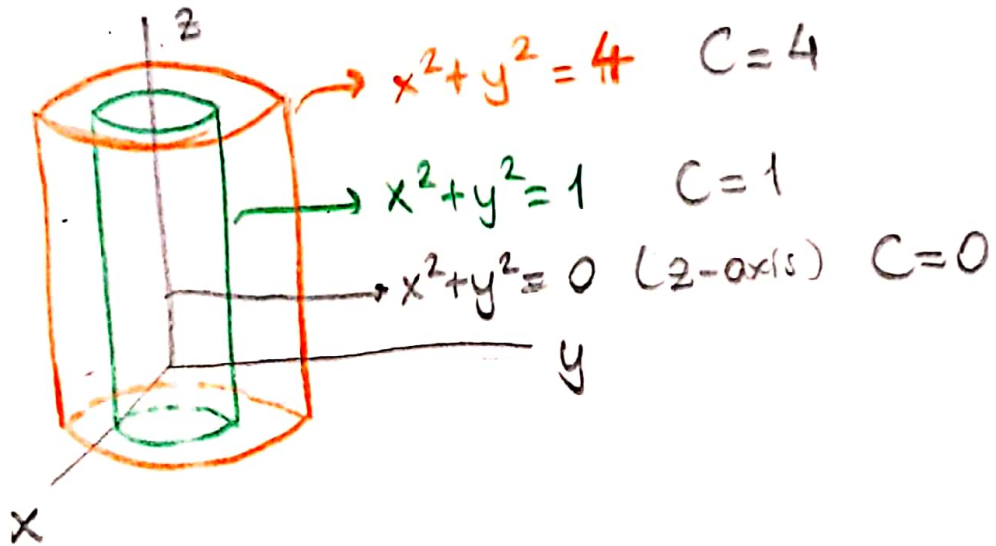
Q37) $f(x,y,z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$

Consider the surfaces $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = C$ in xyz -space for some $C \in \mathbb{R}$ (a sphere of radius \sqrt{C} centered at $(0,0,0)$)



Q39) $f(x,y,z) = x^2 + y^2$

z arbitrary, $x^2 + y^2 = C$ gives a circular cylinder of radius \sqrt{C} along the z -axis.



12.2) Limits and Continuity

9-12 Evaluate the indicated limit or explain why it does not exist.

Q9) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sin(xy)}{x^2+y^2}$

* Path: $y=x$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{2x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x^2)}{x^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

* Path: $x=0$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(0 \cdot y)}{0 + y^2} = 0$$

From different paths,
 $f(x,y)$ approaches different numbers.

So, the limit does not exist.

Q11) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 + y^4}$

$$0 \leq \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 + y^4} \leq \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2} = y^2 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0$$

By squeeze theorem, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 y^2}{x^2 + y^4} = 0$

Q12) $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 y^2}{2x^4 + y^4}$

* Path: $y = x$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4}{3x^4} = \frac{1}{3}$$

→ From different paths

* Path: $y = 0$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^4 \cdot 0}{2x^4 + 0} = 0$$

→ $f(x,y)$ approaches different numbers.

So, the limit does not exist.