

MA 102 (Mathematics II)
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Tutorial Sheet 2

Solution: 1.(a) $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3+y^3}{x^2-y^2}, & x \neq \pm y \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Consider the sequence $\{(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2})\}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}\right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{n^3} \left[1 + \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^3\right]}{\frac{1}{n^2} \left[1 - \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2\right]} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^3}{n \left[-\frac{2}{n} - \frac{1}{n^2}\right]} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 + \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^3}{-2 - \frac{1}{n}} \\ &= \frac{2}{-2} = -1. \end{aligned}$$

But $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f\left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n}\right) = 0$. Thus limit does not exist.

Solution: 1.(b) Now $\frac{|x^2 - y^2|}{|x^2 + y^2|} \leq \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 + y^2} = 1$.

Thus $\left|xy \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}\right| \leq |xy| \leq x^2 + y^2$.

Thus, given $\epsilon > 0$ take $\delta = \sqrt{\epsilon}$.

Solution: 1.(c) $f(xy) = \frac{\sin xy}{x^2 + y^2}$.

Along $y = mx (m \neq 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} f(x, mx) &= \frac{\sin(mx^2)}{(mx^2)} \cdot \frac{mx^2}{x^2(1+m^2)} \\ &= \frac{m}{1+m^2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, limit does not exist.

Solution: 1.(d) $f(x, y) = \frac{|x|}{y^2} e^{-\frac{|x|}{y^2}}$

Along $y = \sqrt{x}$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} f(x, \sqrt{x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{x}{x} e^{-\frac{x}{x}} = e^{-1}$$

Along $y = 2\sqrt{x}$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} f(x, 2\sqrt{x}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{x}{4x} e^{-\frac{x}{4x}} = \frac{1}{4} e^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

Therefore, limit does not exist.

Solution: 1.(e)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{1 - \cos(x^2 + y^2)}{(x^2 + y^2)} \\
 &= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - \cos r^2}{r^4} \\
 &= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{2r \sin r^2}{4r^3} \quad [\text{L'Hospital's rule}] \\
 &= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 \sin r^2}{2r^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solution: 2.(a) $|f(x, y)| = |xy \cos(\frac{1}{x})| \leq |x||y| \leq x^2 + y^2$
 Thus given $\epsilon > 0$, if we chose $\delta = \sqrt{\epsilon}$.

Then,

$$|f(x, y)| < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta.$$

Hence the given function is continuous.

Solution: 2.(b) $f(0, 0) = 0$

But $f(x, y) = 1$ along $y = x^3$ for $x < 1$.

Thus f is not continuous at $(0, 0)$.

Solution: 2.(c) $|f(x, y)| = \frac{|x|^3}{|x^2 + y^2|} \leq \frac{|x|^3}{|x|^2} = |x| \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

Thus for given $\epsilon > 0$, take $\delta = \epsilon$.

Solution: 2.(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(x, y)| &= \frac{|x^3 y|}{x^4 + y^2} \\
 &= \frac{|x| |x^2 y|}{x^4 + y^2} \\
 &\leq |x| \frac{(x^4 + y^2)}{x^4 + y^2} \\
 &= |x| \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Take $\delta = \epsilon$.

Solution: 2.(e) $f(x, y) = \frac{\sin(x + y)}{|x| + |y|}$

Along $y = x$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} f(x, x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{\sin(2x)}{2x} = 1$$

Along $y = -x$,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} f(x, -x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{\sin(x - x)}{2x} = 0$$

Therefore, limit does not exist.

Solution: 2.(f) $f(x, y) = xy \ln(x^2 + y^2) \quad (x, y) \neq (0, 0)$

Taking $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$ we get, $f(r, \theta) = r^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta \cdot \ln r^2$.

Therefore,

$$|f(r, \theta)| \leq r^2 |\ln r^2| \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } r \longrightarrow 0.$$

Thus f is continuous at $(0, 0)$.

Solution: (3). Since $|f(X_0)| > 2$, $\exists \epsilon' > 0$ such that, $|f(X_0)| = 2 + \epsilon'$.

Let $\epsilon = \frac{\epsilon'}{2}$. Then for this ϵ , there exists $\delta > 0$ [since f is continuous at X_0] such that,

$$|f(X) - f(X_0)| < \epsilon \quad \text{whenever } \|X - X_0\| < \delta.$$

Now, $|f(X_0)| - |f(X)| \leq |f(X) - f(X_0)|$.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(X)| &\geq |f(X_0)| - |f(X) - f(X_0)| \\ &> 2 + \epsilon' - \epsilon \\ &= 2 + \epsilon' - \frac{\epsilon'}{2} = 2 + \frac{\epsilon'}{2} \quad \text{whenever } \|X - X_0\| < \delta. \end{aligned}$$

i.e, $|f(X)| > 2$ whenever $\|X - X_0\| < \delta$.

Solution: (4). Take (x, y) such that $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$.

Case(I): $(x, y) \notin \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$. Then $f(x, y) = xy \neq 0$.

Take a sequence $\{(x_n, y_n)\} \subset \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$ such that $\{(x_n, y_n)\} \longrightarrow (x, y)$.

Then $f(x_n, y_n) = 0 \quad \forall n$.

Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x_n, y_n) = 0 \neq f(x, y)$.

Case(II): $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$.

Take a sequence $\{(x_n, y_n)\} \subset \mathbb{Q}^c \times \mathbb{Q}^c$ such that $\{(x_n, y_n)\} \longrightarrow (x, y)$. Then $x_n y_n \longrightarrow xy \neq 0$.

Thus, $f(x_n, y_n) = x_n y_n \not\rightarrow 0 = f(x, y)$.

Now take (x, y) where $y = 0$. Then $f(x, y) = 0$.

Now for any sequence $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ such that $(x_n, y_n) \longrightarrow (x, 0)$,

$$|f(x_n, y_n)| \leq |x_n y_n| \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$

Thus, f is continuous on x -axis.

Similarly, f is continuous on y -axis.

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