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1. Find and sketch the domain of the following functions:

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

(b) $g(x, y, z) = \sqrt{1-x} + \sqrt{2-y} + \sqrt{3-z}$

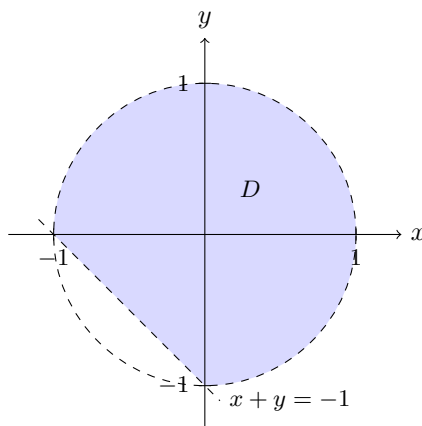
2. Consider the function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^3 y}{x^6 + y^2} & (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that the limit of $f(x, y)$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ along the line $y = kx$ is 0 for any constant k .
- (b) Show that the limit of $f(x, y)$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ along the parabola $y = kx^2$ is 0 for any constant k .
- (c) Show that the limit of $f(x, y)$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ along the parabola $y = x^3$ is $\frac{1}{2}$.
- (d) Does the limit of $f(x, y)$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ exist? Why or why not?
3. (a) Using the definition of limit, show that the function $f(x, y) = x + 2y$ is continuous at the point $(0, 0)$.
- (b) (*) Using the definition of limit, for any a, b and c , show that the function $f(x, y) = ax^2 + bxy + cy^2$ is continuous at the point $(0, 0)$.

1. (a) We need $x + y + 1 > 0$ (for \ln) and $1 - x^2 - y^2 > 0$ (for $\sqrt{\quad}$ in the denominator). So the domain is

$$D = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 < 1 \text{ and } x + y > -1\}.$$



- (b) We need $1 - x \geq 0$, $2 - y \geq 0$, and $3 - z \geq 0$. So the domain is

$$D = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x \leq 1, y \leq 2, z \leq 3\}.$$

2. (a) If $k \neq 0$: $f(x, kx) = \frac{x^3 \cdot kx}{x^6 + k^2x^2} = \frac{kx^2}{x^4 + k^2} \rightarrow \frac{0}{k^2} = 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. If $k = 0$: $f(x, 0) = 0$. In both cases, the limit is 0.
- (b) If $k \neq 0$: $f(x, kx^2) = \frac{x^3 \cdot kx^2}{x^6 + k^2x^4} = \frac{kx}{x^2 + k^2} \rightarrow \frac{0}{k^2} = 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. If $k = 0$: $f(x, 0) = 0$. In both cases, the limit is 0.
- (c) $f(x, x^3) = \frac{x^3 \cdot x^3}{x^6 + (x^3)^2} = \frac{x^6}{2x^6} = \frac{1}{2}$ for all $x \neq 0$, so the limit is $\frac{1}{2}$.
- (d) No. Along $y = 0$ the limit is 0, but along $y = x^3$ the limit is $\frac{1}{2}$. Since different paths give different limits, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y)$ does not exist.

3. (a) Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta = \varepsilon/3$. If $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$, then using $|x|, |y| \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$,

$$|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| = |x + 2y| \leq |x| + 2|y| \leq 3\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < 3\delta = \varepsilon.$$

- (b) (*) If $a = b = c = 0$, then f is identically zero and continuity is trivial. Otherwise, let $M = |a| + |b| + |c| > 0$. Since $|x|^2, |y|^2 \leq x^2 + y^2$ and $|xy| \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \cdot \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = x^2 + y^2$, we have

$$|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| = |ax^2 + bxy + cy^2| \leq |a|x^2 + |b|xy + |c|y^2 \leq M(x^2 + y^2).$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $\delta = \sqrt{\varepsilon/M}$. If $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$, then $x^2 + y^2 < \varepsilon/M$, so

$$|f(x, y) - f(0, 0)| \leq M(x^2 + y^2) < M \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{M} = \varepsilon.$$