

HW 1

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1.  $\sqrt{x-2} < x-4$

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Because complex numbers are not comparable, we constrain  $x \geq 2$ . If  $x < 4$ , then RHS  $< 0$  and the equation is not satisfiable. Let  $x \geq 4$ . Then  $x-4 \geq 0$ ,  $x-2 \geq 2$ .

Also, since  $f: x \mapsto \sqrt{x-2}$  is increasing in  $[2, \infty)$ ,  
 $x \geq 4 \iff \sqrt{x-2} \geq \sqrt{2}$

Both  $\sqrt{x-2}$  and  $x-4$  are positive, and since  $f: x \mapsto x^2$  is increasing in  $[0, \infty)$ ,  
 $(\sqrt{x-2} < x-4) \iff (x \geq 4) \wedge (x-2 < x^2 - 8x + 16) \iff (x \geq 4) \wedge (x^2 - 9x + 18 < 0) \iff (x \geq 4) \wedge (x-3)(x-6) < 0 \iff (x \geq 4) \wedge (x < 3 \vee x > 6) \iff (x > 6)$

By double containment,  $\{x \mid \sqrt{x-2} < x-4\} = (6, \infty)$

2. a) Let  $a \in \bigcap_{i=1}^m S_i$ . This implies that  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, a \in S_i$

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By the definition of an open set,  $\exists d_i \in (0, \infty) N_{g_i}(a, d_i) \subseteq S_i$ . Fix  $d_i$ .

Consider  $\min_{i \in \{1, \dots, m\}} (d_i) = d_{\min}$ . The minimum exists by finiteness. By the definition of  $N_g$ ,  $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\} N_g(a, d_{\min}) \subseteq S_i$

Therefore,  $N_g(a, d_{\min}) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^m S_i$

So this implies  $\bigcap_{i=1}^m S_i$  is an open set.

b) The statement is false. Consider

$S_i = \{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 < 1/i^2\}$

Each  $S_i$  is open because for all  $a = (x, y) \in S_i$ , the neighborhood  $N_g(a, 1/i - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2})$  is a subset of  $S_i$

The intersection of  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i$  is the lone point  $(0, 0)$

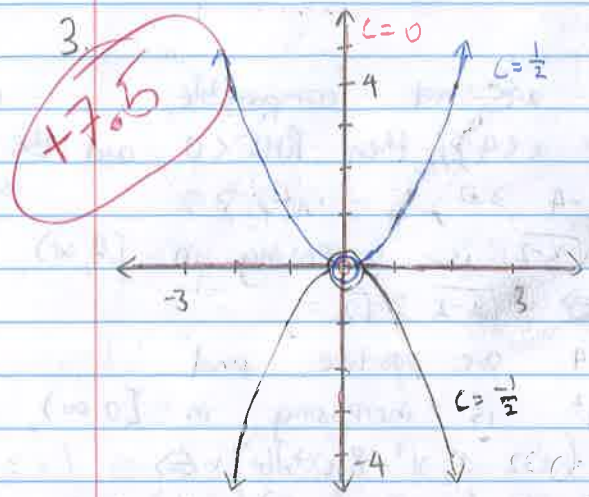
because  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}, (0, 0) \in S_i$  since  $\forall x^2 + y^2 = 0^2 + 0^2 = 0 < 1/i^2$

but  $\forall a = (x, y) \neq (0, 0), a \notin S_i \cap \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} S_j$  since  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \neq 0$

and  $1/i^2 \leq (1/i - \sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 = x^2 + y^2$

$\{(0, 0)\}$  is not open since all neighborhoods contain points that are not in it. So though  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}, S_i$  is open,

$\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i$  is not open.



$$\frac{x^2y}{x^4+y^2} = c \quad (x,y) \neq (0,0)$$

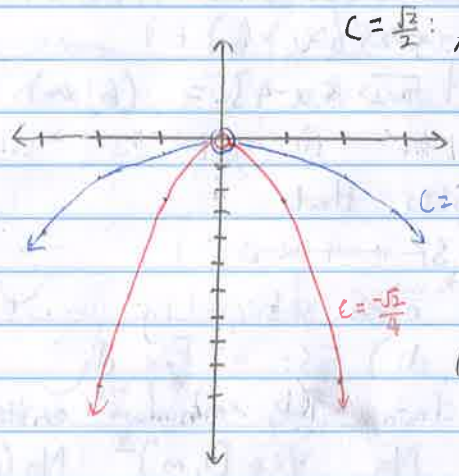
$$x^2y = c(x^4+y^2)$$

$$x^2y = cx^4 + cy^2$$

$$cy^2 - x^2y + cx^4 = 0$$

$$y = \frac{x^2 \pm \sqrt{x^4 - 4c^2x^4}}{2c} \quad (c \neq 0)$$

Requires  $x^4 - 4c^2x^4 > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x^4(1-4c^2) \geq 0$   
 Note:  $(1-4c^2) > 0 \Leftrightarrow 4c^2 < 1$   
 $\Leftrightarrow c \in (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$   
 $(1-4c^2) = 0 \Rightarrow c = \pm \frac{1}{2}$   
 $(1-4c^2) < 0 \Rightarrow c < -\frac{1}{2} \vee c > \frac{1}{2}$



So if  $c \in (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}) \therefore x \in (-\infty, \infty)$   
 $c = \pm \frac{1}{2} \therefore x \in (-\infty, \infty)$   
 $c < -\frac{1}{2} \vee c > \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow y = 0 \Rightarrow \emptyset$

Given that  $\sqrt{\dots}$  is defined,  
 $y = \left(\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-4c^2}}{2c}\right)x^2 \quad (c \neq 0)$   
 If  $c = 0: x^2y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \vee y = 0$   
 $\wedge ((x,y) \neq (0,0))$

$$c = \frac{1}{2}: \sqrt{1-4c^2} = 0, \quad y = x^2$$

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$$y = \left(\frac{1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{2(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4})}\right)x^2 = -(\sqrt{2} \pm 1)x^2$$



4 a.)  $\lim_{v \rightarrow (0,0)} f(v) = 0$   $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$

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Proof: Consider  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $v = (x,y)$   
 $x^2 y^2 \leq (x^2 + y^2)^2$  (add  $x^2$  or  $y^2$  respectively.)

So  $3x^2 y^2 / (x^2 + y^2) \leq 3(x^2 + y^2)^2 / (x^2 + y^2) = 3(x^2 + y^2)$

Let  $\delta = \sqrt{\epsilon/3}$  Consider  $|v - \vec{0}| < \delta \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta \Rightarrow (x^2 + y^2) < \delta^2$   
by positivity

Then  $f(v) \leq 3(x^2 + y^2) < 3\delta^2 = 3\epsilon/3 = \epsilon$

so  $f(v) < \epsilon$ . Note  $|f(v) - 0| = f(v)$  by positivity

So the limit is 0.

b.) The limit doesn't exist at  $(0,0)$

Let  $C_1 = \{(x,y) | x=2y\}$ :  $xy(x^2 + y^2) = 2y^2(3y^2) = 6y^4$   
 $x^4 + y^4 = 17y^4$

Along  $C_1$ ,  $f(x,y) = 6/17$   $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$

$C_1$  contains the limit point  $(0,0)$

Let  $C_2 = \{(x,y) | x=0\}$ :  $f(x,y) = 0$  along  $C_2$

$C_2$  contains the limit point  $(0,0)$

The limit cannot exist because  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  intersect at  $(0,0)$   
 but the values of  $f$  along the curves differ.

c.)  $\lim_{v \rightarrow (0,0)} f(v) = 0$   $(x,y) \neq (0,0)$

Proof:  $|x^3 y^4| = |y| |x^3| |y^3| = |y| \sqrt{x^6} \sqrt{y^6}$   
 $\leq |y| (\sqrt{x^6 + y^6})^2 = |y| (x^6 + y^6)$

so  $|f(v)| = |x^3 y^4| / (x^6 + y^6) \leq |y| \leq \sqrt{y^2 + x^2}$

Consider  $\epsilon > 0$ . Let  $\delta = \epsilon$ , consider  $|v - \vec{0}| < \delta$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$

$|f(v)| \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta = \epsilon$  so  $|f(v) - 0| < \epsilon$

So the limit is 0.

d.) The limit doesn't exist at  $(0,0)$

Let  $C_1 = \{(x,y) \mid y = |x|^{2/3}\}$

$$x^2 y^3 = x^2 x^2 = x^4, \quad x^4 + y^6 = x^4 + x^4 = 2x^4$$

Along  $C_1$ ,  $f(v) = 1/2, \quad (x,y) \neq (0,0)$

$C_1$  contains the limit point  $(0,0)$

Let  $C_2 = \{(x,y) \mid x = 0\}$

Along  $C_2$ ,  $f(v) = 0, \quad (x,y) \neq (0,0)$

$C_2$  contains the limit point  $(0,0)$

The limit cannot exist because  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  intersect at  $(0,0)$  but the values of  $f$  along the curves differ.