

Section 14.2 - 7, 11, 16, 17, 26, 29, 34, 37

7. $f(x, y) = \frac{4 - xy}{x^2 + 3y^2}$ is a rational function and hence continuous on its domain.

$(2, 1)$ is in the domain of f , so f is continuous there and $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (2,1)} f(x, y) = f(2, 1) = \frac{4 - (2)(1)}{(2)^2 + 3(1)^2} = \frac{2}{7}$.

11. $f(x, y) = (y^2 \sin^2 x)/(x^4 + y^4)$. On the x -axis, $f(x, 0) = 0$ for $x \neq 0$, so $f(x, y) \rightarrow 0$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$ along the

x -axis. Approaching $(0, 0)$ along the line $y = x$, $f(x, x) = \frac{x^2 \sin^2 x}{x^4 + x^4} = \frac{\sin^2 x}{2x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sin x}{x} \right)^2$ for $x \neq 0$ and

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} = 1$, so $f(x, y) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$. Since f has two different limits along two different lines, the limit does not exist.

16. We can use the Squeeze Theorem to show that $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 \sin^2 y}{x^2 + 2y^2} = 0$:

$0 \leq \frac{x^2 \sin^2 y}{x^2 + 2y^2} \leq \sin^2 y$ since $\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2y^2} \leq 1$, and $\sin^2 y \rightarrow 0$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$, so $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 \sin^2 y}{x^2 + 2y^2} = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} 17. \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} - 1} &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 + y^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} - 1} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} + 1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} + 1} \\ &= \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} + 1)}{x^2 + y^2} = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} (\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1} + 1) = 2 \end{aligned}$$

26. $h(x, y) = g(f(x, y)) = \frac{1 - xy}{1 + x^2 y^2} + \ln \left(\frac{1 - xy}{1 + x^2 y^2} \right)$. f is a rational function, so it is continuous on its domain. Because

$1 + x^2 y^2 > 0$, the domain of f is \mathbb{R}^2 , so f is continuous everywhere. g is continuous on its domain $\{t \mid t > 0\}$. Thus h is

continuous on its domain $\left\{ (x, y) \mid \frac{1 - xy}{1 + x^2 y^2} > 0 \right\} = \{(x, y) \mid xy < 1\}$ which consists of all points between (but not on)

the two branches of the hyperbola $y = 1/x$.

29. The functions xy and $1 + e^{x-y}$ are continuous everywhere, and $1 + e^{x-y}$ is never zero, so $F(x, y) = \frac{xy}{1 + e^{x-y}}$ is continuous on its domain \mathbb{R}^2 .

34. $G(x, y) = g(f(x, y))$ where $f(x, y) = (x + y)^{-2}$, a rational function that is continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 except where $x + y = 0$, and $g(t) = \tan^{-1} t$, continuous everywhere. Thus G is continuous on its domain $\{(x, y) \mid x + y \neq 0\} = \{(x, y) \mid y \neq -x\}$.

37. $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2 y^3}{2x^2 + y^2} & \text{if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 1 & \text{if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$ The first piece of f is a rational function defined everywhere except at the

origin, so f is continuous on \mathbb{R}^2 except possibly at the origin. Since $x^2 \leq 2x^2 + y^2$, we have $|x^2 y^3 / (2x^2 + y^2)| \leq |y^3|$. We

know that $|y^3| \rightarrow 0$ as $(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)$. So, by the Squeeze Theorem, $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x, y) = \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 y^3}{2x^2 + y^2} = 0$.

But $f(0, 0) = 1$, so f is discontinuous at $(0, 0)$. Therefore, f is continuous on the set $\{(x, y) \mid (x, y) \neq (0, 0)\}$.