

Exercise 2.2.8 (b)

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\sin xy}{y} = 0.$$

Proof. First notice that $|\sin \theta| \leq |\theta|$ if $|\theta|$ is a very small positive number close to 0. This means

$$\left| \frac{\sin xy}{y} \right| \leq \frac{|xy|}{|y|} = |x| \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}. \quad (1)$$

We now use the $\varepsilon - \delta$ argument to show that the limit is actually 0. We have to show: For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $0 < \|(x, y) - (0, 0)\| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < \delta$ implies $\left| \frac{\sin xy}{y} - 0 \right| < \varepsilon$. By the inequality (1) above, we can take $\varepsilon = \delta$. \square