

2a. Make each of the following sentences into a true statement by choosing one of the possible completions. Indicate your choice by putting a **X** in the corresponding box. No explanation is required.

① $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{(y - x^2)^2 + (y + x^2)^2}$ exists does not exist

② $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{y(x^2 - y^2)}{(y - x^2)^2 + (y + x^2)^2}$ exists does not exist

③ $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{xy(x^2 - y^2)}{(y - x^2)^2 + (y + x^2)^2}$ exists does not exist

2b. Now prove two of your statements in Part 2a. Write the number of the statement you are proving inside the circle.

• I will prove the statement (1) here.

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{(y - x^2)^2 + (y + x^2)^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^3}{2x^4} = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x} \text{ does not exist}$$

along the x-axis

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{(y - x^2)^2 + (y + x^2)^2} \text{ does not exist by the 1-Path Test.}$$

• I will prove the statement (2) here.

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

along the x-axis

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

along the parabola $y = x^2$

$$0 \neq \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{y(x^2 - y^2)}{(y - x^2)^2 + (y + x^2)^2} \text{ does not exist by the 2-Path Test.}$$