## Calculus 2

## Answers to LN Exercises

**1.8.1.** By proving the triangular inequality for the Euclidean norm, we got the formula

$$\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|^2 = \|\vec{x}\|^2 + \|\vec{y}\|^2 + 2\sum_j x_j y_j.$$

From this,

$$\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|^2 = \|\vec{x}\|^2 + \|-\vec{y}\|^2 + 2\sum_j x_j(-y_j) = \|\vec{x}\|^2 + \|\vec{y}\|^2 - 2\sum_j x_j y_j.$$

Therefore,

$$\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|^2 + \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|^2 = 2\left(\|\vec{x}\|^2 + \|\vec{y}\|^2\right).$$

- **1.8.2.** We start with  $\|\cdot\|_1$ . We have to verify positivity, vanishing, homogeneity and the triangular inequality.
  - i) Positivity:  $\|\vec{x}\|_1 = \sum_i |x_i| \ge 0$  because it is a sum of positive numbers.
  - ii) Vanishing:  $\|\vec{x}\|_1 = 0$  iff  $\sum_j |x_j| = 0$ . Since this is the sum of positive numbers it can be = 0 iff  $|x_j| = 0$  for every  $j = 1, \ldots, d$ , that is iff  $x_j = 0 \ \forall j$ , so iff  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ .
  - iii) Homogeneity: we have

$$\|\lambda\vec{x}\|_1 = \sum_i |\lambda x_j| = \sum_i |\lambda| |x_j| = |\lambda| \sum_i |x_j| = |\lambda| \|\vec{x}\|_1.$$

(notice we used homogeneity of the modulus, that is |ab| = |a||b|)

iv) Triangular inequality: we have

$$||\vec{x} + \vec{y}||_1 = \sum_i |x_i + y_j|.$$

Now, because of the triangular inequality for the modulus,  $|a + b| \le |a| + |b|$  we have

$$|x_j+y_j| \leq |x_j|+|y_j|, \ \forall j.$$

So, summing up on j, we get

$$\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|_1 = \sum_j |x_j + y_j| \le \sum_j (|x_j| + |y_j|) = \sum_j |x_j| + \sum_j |y_j| = \|\vec{x}\|_1 + \|\vec{y}\|_1.$$

Let now discuss the case of  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ . We have to verify the same properties as done above.

- i) Positivity:  $\|\vec{x}\|_{\infty} = \max_{j} |x_{j}| \ge 0$  (maximum of positive numbers is positive).
- ii) Vanishing:  $\|\vec{x}\|_{\infty} = 0$  iff  $\max_j |x_j| = 0$ . Since the maximum is made on positive numbers, it is clear that it can be = 0 iff  $|x_j| = 0 \ \forall j$ , that is  $x_j = 0 \ \forall j$ , so iff  $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ .

iii) Homogeneity: we have

$$\|\lambda \vec{x}\|_{\infty} = \max_{j} |\lambda x_{j}| = \max_{j} |\lambda| |x_{j}|.$$

Now, it is clear that  $\max_i c|x_i| = c \max_i |x_i|$  for every  $c \ge 0$ . So  $\|\lambda \vec{x}\|_{\infty} = |\lambda| \|\vec{x}\|_{\infty}$ .

iv) Triangular inequality: we have

$$\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|_{\infty} = \max_{j} |x_j + y_j|.$$

Now, since

$$|x_j + y_j| \leq |x_j| + |y_j| \leq \max_k |x_k| + \max_k |y_k| = \|\vec{x}\|_{\infty} + \|\vec{y}\|_{\infty}, \ \forall j,$$

we have

$$\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|_{\infty} = \max_{j} |x_j + y_j| \le \|\vec{x}\|_{\infty} + \|\vec{y}\|_{\infty}. \quad \Box$$

**1.8.3.** i) Let  $\vec{x}_n := (e^{-n}, 1)$ . Since  $e^{-n} \longrightarrow 0$  and  $1 \longrightarrow 1$  we conclude that  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow (0, 1)$ . ii) Let  $\vec{x}_n := (n, n^2)$ . Here we notice that  $||\vec{x}_n|| = \sqrt{n^2 + n^4} \longrightarrow +\infty$ , so  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow \infty_2$ .

iii) Let  $\vec{x}_n := \left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n^2}, \sin \frac{1}{n}\right)$ . Since  $\frac{1}{n} \longrightarrow 0$ ,  $\frac{1}{n^2} \longrightarrow 0$  and  $\sin \frac{1}{n} \longrightarrow 0$ , we conclude that  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow (0,0,0)$ 

iv) Let 
$$\vec{x}_n := \left(1, 1 + \frac{1}{n}, n\right)$$
. Here,  $\|\vec{x}_n\| = \sqrt{1 + \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 + n^4} \geqslant \sqrt{n^4} = n^2 \longrightarrow +\infty$ , so  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow \infty_3$ .

v) Let  $\vec{x}_n := \left(\tanh n, \frac{\log n}{n}, \frac{\sin n}{n}\right)$ . Notice that  $\tanh n = \frac{\sinh n}{\cosh n} \sim_{n \to +\infty} \frac{e^n/2}{e^n/2} = 1$ , so  $\tanh n \to 1$ .

Moreover, since  $\log n = \infty$  o(n),  $\frac{\log n}{n} \longrightarrow 0$  and clearly  $\frac{\sin n}{n} \longrightarrow 0$ . Therefore,  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow (1,0,0)$ . vi) Let  $\vec{x}_n := ((-1)^n, (-1)^{n+1})$ . Here we have that  $\vec{x}_{2k} \equiv (1,-1) \longrightarrow (1,-1)$  while  $x_{2k+1} \equiv (1,-1) \longrightarrow (1,-1)$ 

 $(-1,1) \longrightarrow (-1,1)$  so we conclude that there is no limit for  $\vec{x}_n$  when  $n \to +\infty$ .

**1.8.4.**  $\Longrightarrow$ . Assumption:  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow \vec{\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Thesis:  $x_{n,k} \longrightarrow \ell_k$  for every  $k = 1, \ldots, d$ . By definition

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \ \exists N : \|\vec{x}_n - \vec{\ell}\| \le \varepsilon, \ \forall n \ge N.$$

Now,

$$\|\vec{x}_n - \vec{\ell}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^d (x_{n,k} - \ell_k)^2} \ge \sqrt{(x_{n,k} - \ell_k)^2} = |x_{n,k} - \ell_k|, \ \forall k = 1, \dots, d.$$

Therefore,

$$|x_{nk} - \ell_k| \le ||\vec{x}_n - \vec{\ell}|| \le \varepsilon, \ \forall n \ge N, \ \forall k = 1, \dots, d.$$

and this means that  $x_{n,k} \longrightarrow \ell_k$  for every k = 1, ..., d.

 $\longleftarrow$  Now the Assumption is:  $x_{n,k} \longrightarrow \ell_k$  for every k = 1, ..., d. The thesis is:  $\vec{x}_n \longrightarrow \vec{\ell} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . From the assumption we can say that,

$$\forall k=1,\ldots,d,\;\forall \varepsilon>0,\;\exists N_k\;:\; \|\vec{x}_{n_k}-\vec{\ell}_k\|\leqslant \varepsilon,\;\forall n\geqslant N_k.$$

Notice we wrote  $N_k$  because the initial N will depend on the sequence  $(x_{n,k})$ , so on k. Now, let  $N := \max(N_1, \dots, N_d)$ . Then if  $n \ge N \ge N_k$  for every  $k = 1, \dots, d$ , so

$$|x_{n,k} - \ell_k| \leq \varepsilon, \ \forall k = 1, \dots, d.$$

Therefore,

$$\|\vec{x}_n - \vec{\ell}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^d (x_{n,k} - \ell_k)^2} \le \sqrt{\varepsilon^2 + \dots + \varepsilon^2} = \sqrt{d\varepsilon^2} = \sqrt{d\varepsilon}, \ \forall n \geqslant N.$$

This is exactly the thesis (if you like you can replace  $\varepsilon$  by  $\frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}}$ ).

- **1.8.5.** i) True, it follows by that proved in 1.8.4.
- ii) False: for example  $\vec{x}_n = (0, n) \longrightarrow \infty_2$  but  $x_{n,1} \equiv 0 \longrightarrow 0$ .
- iii) True. Indeed, we may notice that

$$||\vec{x}_n|| = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^d x_{n,k}^2} \geqslant \sqrt{x_{n,j}^2} = |x_{n,j}| \longrightarrow +\infty.$$

- iv) False: take  $\vec{x}_n = (0, (-1)^n)$ ,  $\vec{x}_{2k} \equiv (0, 1) \longrightarrow (0, 1)$ ,  $\vec{x}_{2k+1} \equiv (0, -1) \longrightarrow (0, -1)$ , in particular  $\lim_n \vec{x}_n$  cannot exists. However  $x_{n,1} \equiv 0 \longrightarrow 0$ .
- **1.8.7.** #1,2,4,6 done in class (see slides).
- #3. Let  $f(x, y) = \frac{y^2 xy}{x^2 + y^2}$ . We have  $f(x, 0) \equiv 0 \longrightarrow 0$  when  $x \to 0$ ,  $f(0, y) = \frac{y^2}{y^2} \equiv 1 \longrightarrow 1$  when  $y \to 0$ .
- #5. Let  $f(x,y) = \frac{xy + \sqrt{y^2 + 1} 1}{x^2 + y^2}$ . We have  $f(x,0) = \frac{0}{x^2} \equiv 0 \longrightarrow 0$  when  $x \to 0$ ,  $f(0,y) = \frac{\sqrt{1 + y^2} 1}{y^2} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2}$  when  $y \to 0$ , this because of the fundamental limit  $\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{(1 + t)^{\alpha} 1}{t} = \alpha$  (here  $\alpha = 1/2$ ).
- **1.8.8.** #1,3,5 done in class (see slides).
- #2 Let  $f(x, y) := \frac{x^2y^3}{(x^2+y^2)^2}$ . The limit is a  $\frac{0}{0}$  indeterminate form. Introducing polar coordinates we have

$$f(x,y) = f(\rho\cos\theta, \rho\sin\theta) = \frac{\rho^5\cos^2\theta\sin^3\theta}{(\rho^2)^2} = \rho\cos^2\theta\sin^3\theta,$$

so

$$|f(x,y) - 0| = \rho |\cos^2 \theta| |\sin^3 \theta| \le \rho =: g(\rho) \longrightarrow 0, \ \rho \to 0,$$

from which we conclude that  $\exists \lim_{(x,y)\to \vec{0}} f = 0$ .

#4. Let  $f(x, y) := \frac{x\sqrt{|y|}}{\sqrt[3]{x^4 + y^4}}$ . When  $(x, y) \to \vec{0}$ , the limit of f yields to an indeterminate form  $\frac{0}{0}$ . Let's write f in polar coords:

$$f(x,y) = f(\rho\cos\theta, \rho\sin\theta) = \frac{\rho\cos\theta\sqrt{\rho|\sin\theta|}}{\sqrt[3]{\rho^4(\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta)}} = \frac{\rho^{3/2}}{\rho^{4/3}} \frac{\cos\theta\sqrt{|\sin\theta|}}{\sqrt[3]{\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta}}$$
$$= \rho^{1/6} \frac{\cos\theta\sqrt{|\sin\theta|}}{\sqrt[3]{\cos^4\theta + \sin^4\theta}}.$$

Since  $\rho^{1/6} \longrightarrow 0$  when  $\rho \to 0$ , we bet on the limit exists and it is equal to 0. To show this we notice that,

$$|f(x,y) - 0| = \rho^{1/6} \frac{|\cos \theta| \sqrt{|\sin \theta|}}{\sqrt[3]{\cos^4 \theta + \sin^4 \theta}} \le \rho^{1/6} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{\cos^4 \theta + \sin^4 \theta}}.$$

Let  $K(\theta) := \sqrt[3]{\cos^4 \theta + \sin^4 \theta}$ . This is a continuous function on  $[0, 2\pi]$ , so by Weierstrass' theorem there exists a minimum achieved at some  $\theta_{min} \in [0, 2\pi]$ , that is  $K(\theta) \ge K(\theta_{min}) = K_0 \ge 0$ . Notice that  $K_0 > 0$ : if  $K_0 = 0$  we would have  $K(\theta_{min}) = 0$ , so  $\sqrt[3]{\cos^4 \theta_{min} + \sin^4 \theta_{min}} = 0$ , that is  $\cos^4 \theta_{min} + \sin^4 \theta_{min} = 0$ . Since both terms are positive, this is possible iff  $\cos^4 \theta_{min} = 0$  and (simultaneously)  $\sin^4 \theta_{min} = 0$ , that is  $\cos \theta_{min} = \sin \theta_{min} = 0$ , which is impossible! Therefore,  $K(\theta) \ge K_0 > 0$  for every  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , so

$$|f(x,y) - 0| \le \rho^{1/6} \frac{1}{K_0} =: g(\rho) \longrightarrow 0, \ \rho \to 0.$$

From this we deduce that  $\exists \lim_{(x,y)\to \vec{0}} f = 0$ .

**1.8.9.** #3. Let f be the function of which we aim to compute its limit at  $\vec{0}$ . The limit is an indeterminate form  $\frac{0}{0}$ . We notice that

$$f(x,0,0) = \frac{x^4}{\sqrt{x^4}} = \frac{x^4}{x^2} = x^2 \longrightarrow 0, \ x \longrightarrow 0.$$

So, if a limit exists it must be = 0. Using spherical coordinates

$$x = \rho \sin \varphi \cos \theta$$
,  $y = \rho \sin \varphi \sin \theta$ ,  $z = \rho \cos \varphi$ ,

we get

$$f(x,y,z) = \frac{(\rho^2 \sin^2 \varphi \cos^2 \theta + \rho^2 \sin \varphi \sin \theta \cos \varphi)^2}{\sqrt{(\rho^2 \sin^2 \varphi (\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta))^2 + \rho^4 \cos^4 \varphi}} = \rho^2 \frac{(\sin^2 \varphi \cos^2 \theta + \sin \varphi \sin \theta \cos \varphi)^2}{\sqrt{\sin^4 \varphi + \cos^4 \varphi}}.$$

From this we can prove that the limit exists and it is equal to 0: indeed,

$$|f(x, y, z) - 0| \le \rho^2 \frac{(1+1)^2}{\sqrt{\sin^4 \varphi + \cos^4 \varphi}}.$$

Let  $F(\varphi) := \sqrt{\sin^4 \varphi + \cos^4 \varphi}$ . Clearly  $F \in \mathcal{C}([0, 2\pi])$ , so, by Weierstrass' theorem, there exists  $K := \min F_{[0,2\pi]}$ . Since the minimum is achieved at some  $\varphi_{min}$  if  $K = F(\varphi_{min}) = 0$  we should have  $\cos \varphi_{min} = \sin \varphi_{min} = 0$ , which is impossible. We conclude that K > 0 and

$$|f(x,y,z) - 0| \le \rho^2 \frac{(1+1)^2}{\sqrt{\sin^4 \varphi + \cos^4 \varphi}} \le \rho^2 \frac{4}{K} =: g(\rho) \longrightarrow 0, \ \rho \to 0. \quad \Box$$

#5 We start noticing that  $(x, y) \to (0, 1)$  iff  $(u, v) := (x, y - 1) \to (0, 0)$ , so we are reduced to the limit

$$\lim_{(x,y)\to(0,1)} \frac{x^3 \sinh(y-1)}{x^2+y^2-2y+1} = \lim_{(x,y)\to(0,1)} \frac{x^3 \sinh(y-1)}{x^2+(y-1)^2} = \lim_{(u,v)\to(0,0)} \frac{u^3 \sinh v}{u^2+v^2} =: \lim_{(u,v)\to(0,0)} \widetilde{f}(u,v).$$

The limit is an indeterminate form  $\frac{0}{0}$ . In polar coordinated for (u, v) we have

$$\widetilde{f}(u,v) = \frac{\rho^3 \cos^3 \theta \sinh(\rho \sin \theta)}{\rho^2} = \rho \cos^3 \theta \sinh(\rho \sin \theta).$$

From this, we guess that the liumit exists and it is equal to 0. Indeed,

$$|\widetilde{f}(u, v) - 0| \le \rho |\sinh(\rho \sin \theta)|.$$

Reminding of  $\sinh t = t + o(t)$ , we have

$$\sinh(\rho \sin \theta) = \rho \sin \theta + o(\rho \sin \theta),$$

SO

$$|\sinh(\rho\sin\theta)| = |\rho\sin\theta + o(\rho)| \le \rho + o(\rho),$$

from which

$$|\widetilde{f}(u,v) - 0| \le \rho \left(\rho + o(\rho)\right) = \rho^2 + o(\rho^2) =: g(\rho) \longrightarrow 0, \ \rho \to 0.$$

We can now conclude that  $\lim_{(u,v)\to \vec{0}} \widetilde{f}(u,v) = 0$ , hence the same holds for the limit of f. #6 Since  $(x,y)\to (1,1)$ ,  $(u,v):=(x-1,y-1)\to (0,0)$ , so

$$\lim_{(x,y)\to(1,1)} f(x,y) = \lim_{(u,y)\to(0,0)} \frac{u^2v^7}{(u^2+v^2)^{5/2}} =: \lim_{(u,y)\to(0,0)} \widetilde{f}(u,v).$$

Clearly, the limit is an indeterminate form  $\frac{0}{0}$ . Let's pass to polar coordinates  $u = \rho \cos \theta$ ,  $v = \rho \sin \theta$ 

$$\widetilde{f}(u,v) = \frac{\rho^9 \cos^2 \theta \sin^7 \theta}{(\rho^2)^{5/2}} = \rho^4 \cos^2 \theta \sin^7 \theta,$$

SO

$$|\widetilde{f}(u,v) - 0| \le \rho^4 \longrightarrow 0, \ \rho \to 0,$$

and from this it follows that

$$\lim_{(x,y)\to(1,1)} f(x,y) = \lim_{(u,v)\to(0,0)} \widetilde{f}(u,v) = 0. \quad \Box$$

**1.8.10** #2 The limit does not exist: indeed,  $f(x, 0) = x^4 - x^2 \longrightarrow +\infty$  is  $|x| \longrightarrow +\infty$ .  $f(x, x) \equiv 0 \longrightarrow 0$  when  $|x| \longrightarrow +\infty$ .

#3 We have  $f(x, 0) = x^2 \longrightarrow +\infty$  when  $|x| \to +\infty$ . Let's look at f under polar coordinates: we get

$$f(x, y) = \rho^4 \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta + \rho^2 - \rho^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta.$$

Apparently, the first term is the strongest one. However, if one of the two coords vanishes, the first term is constantly = 0. This suggests that this term is not particularly determinant. Being also positive, we may notice that

$$f(x,y) \ge \rho^2 - \rho^2 \cos \theta \sin \theta = \rho^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) \right) \ge \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 \longrightarrow +\infty, \ \rho \longrightarrow +\infty.$$

This is sufficient to establish that  $\exists \lim_{(x,y)\to\infty_2} f(x,y) = +\infty$ .

#4. We have  $f(x, 0, 0) = x^4 \longrightarrow +\infty$  when  $|x| \longrightarrow +\infty$ , so if a limit exists it must be  $= +\infty$ . To compute the limit, an idea could be to use spherical coordinates. This, however, does not simplify the term  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4$ . We might expect that this term is somehow correlated to  $(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2$  and indeed

$$(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2 = x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + 2x^2y^2 + 2x^2z^2 + 2y^2z^2 \ge x^4 + y^4 + z^4$$

This is an upper bound for  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4$ . To get a more useful lower bound we remind of the elementary inequality  $2ab \le a^2 + b^2$ , so

$$(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2 = x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + \underbrace{2x^2y^2}_{\leqslant (x^2)^2 + (y^2)^2 = x^4 + y^4} + \underbrace{2x^2z^2}_{\leqslant x^4 + z^4} + \underbrace{2y^2z^2}_{\leqslant y^4 + z^4} \leqslant 3(x^4 + y^4 + z^4),$$

SO

$$x^4 + y^4 + z^4 \ge \frac{1}{3} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2$$
.

Now, with this we can say that, in spherical coordinates

$$f(x, y, z) \ge \frac{1}{3} \left(x^2 + y^2 + z^2\right)^2 - xyz = \frac{1}{3} \rho^4 - \rho^3 \sin^2 \varphi \cos \varphi \sin \theta \cos \theta \ge \frac{1}{3} \rho^4 - \rho^3 \longrightarrow +\infty$$

when  $\rho \to +\infty$ . This shows that  $\exists \lim_{(x,y,z)\to\infty_3} f = +\infty$ .

#5 Notice that  $f(x, 0, 0) = x^2 \longrightarrow +\infty$  when  $|x| \to +\infty$ . So, if a limit exists, it must be equal to  $+\infty$ . Before applying the spherical coordinates, we write

$$f(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xz + z^4 - z^2$$
.

Let's focus on the first part  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xz$ . Using spherical coords, we have

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xz = \rho^2 - \rho^2 \sin \varphi \cos \theta \cos \varphi = \rho^2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\varphi) \cos \theta \right) \geqslant \rho^2 \frac{1}{2}.$$

On the other side, we notice that there exists a constant C such that  $z^4 - z^2 \ge C$  for every  $z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Indeed, if  $h(z) = z^4 - z^2$ , for z > 0 we have

$$h'(z) = 4z^3 - 2z = 2z(2z^2 - 1) \ge 0, \iff 2z^2 - 1 \ge 0, \iff z \ge \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

This means that  $h \setminus 0$  on  $[0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}]$  and  $h \nearrow 0$  on  $[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, +\infty[$ , so  $z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  is a minimum for h on  $[0, +\infty[$ . Since h(-z) = h(z) we have that it is also a minimum for all  $z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Thus,

$$h(z) \ge h(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{4}, \iff z^4 - z^2 \ge -\frac{1}{4}.$$

We can now put the pieces together. Combining the two bounds we have

$$f(x, y, z) = \underbrace{x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xz}_{\geqslant \frac{\rho^2}{2}} + \underbrace{z^4 - z^2}_{\geqslant -\frac{1}{4}} \geqslant \frac{\rho^2}{2} - \frac{1}{4} =: g(\rho) \longrightarrow +\infty, \ \rho \to +\infty.$$

From this  $\exists \lim_{(x,y,z)\to\infty_3} f = +\infty$ .

#6. Also here we have  $f(0,0,z) = z^2 - z \longrightarrow +\infty$  when  $|z| \longrightarrow +\infty$ . So, the possible candidate limit is  $+\infty$ . Before applying spherical coords, we notice that

$$f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + |z| + (z^2 - z - |z|).$$

Now, let  $h(z) := z^2 - z - |z|$ . As in the previous exercise, h is bounded from below. Indeed: for z < 0,  $h(z) = z^2$ , so  $h \ge 0$ ; for  $z \ge 0$ ,  $h(z) = z^2 - 2z$ , h'(z) = 2z - 2 = 2(z - 1), so z = 1 is a global minimum with h(1) = -1, so  $h(z) \ge -1$  for every  $z \in \mathbb{R}$ . On the other hand, by using spherical coords,

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + |z| = \sqrt{\rho^2 \sin^2 \varphi} + \rho |\cos \varphi| = \rho \left( |\sin \varphi| + |\cos \varphi| \right).$$

The coefficient  $C(\varphi) := |\sin \varphi| + |\cos \varphi|$  is continuous for  $[0, \pi]$ , so by Weierstrass' theorem there exists the minimum of C. Since  $C(\varphi) > 0$  for every  $\varphi$ , we deduce that  $C(\varphi) \ge C(\varphi_{min}) =: K > 0$ ,

Therefore, merging the two arguments,

$$f(x, y, z) = \underbrace{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + |z|}_{\leqslant K\rho} + \underbrace{\left(z^2 - z - |z|\right)}_{\geqslant -1} \geqslant K\rho - 1 =: g(\rho) \longrightarrow +\infty, \ \rho \longrightarrow +\infty.$$

We conclude that  $\exists \lim_{(x,y,z)\to\infty_3} f = +\infty$ .

#7. Here we might have some suspect about the existence of the limit. The root term is positive and of size  $\rho^2$ , while the xyz is or order  $\rho^3$  with variable sign. Take

$$f(x,x,x) = \sqrt{4x^4 + x^4} - x^3 = \sqrt{5}x^2 - x^3 \longrightarrow \begin{cases} -\infty, & x \to +\infty, \\ +\infty, & x \to -\infty. \end{cases}$$

We conclude that  $\nexists \lim_{(x,y,z)\to\infty_3} f$ .

Next: do ex. 1.8.12/13/14/15