

2.2.2 | Claim: $Q(x,y) = x/y$ is continuous.

Proof: Fix $p_0 = (x_0, y_0) \in DQ$; then $y_0 \neq 0$. For given $\delta > 0$, pick $\varepsilon < \min \left\{ |y_0|/2, \frac{\delta}{4} \frac{|y_0|^2}{|p_0|} \right\}$. Then, for $p = (x,y)$ s.t. $|p - p_0| < \varepsilon$, we have $|y_0| - |y| \leq |y - y_0| \leq |p - p_0| < \varepsilon < \frac{|y_0|}{2} \Rightarrow |y| > \frac{|y_0|}{2}$, and hence

$$|Q(p) - Q(p_0)| = \left| \frac{y_0(x - x_0) + x_0(y_0 - y)}{yy_0} \right| \leq \frac{2}{|y_0|^2} (|y_0| - |x_0|) |p - p_0| < \frac{4|p_0|}{|y_0|^2} \varepsilon < \delta$$

2.2.4 | f is continuous, since, for $p = (x,y)$ s.t. $|p| < 1$, we have

$$|f(p) - f(0)| = \frac{|x|^2 |y|^2}{|p|^2} \leq \frac{|p|^2 |p|^2}{|p|^2} = |p|^2 < |p| = |p - 0|$$

~~2.2.5 | $(b,c) = B\left(\frac{b+c}{2}, \frac{c-b}{2}\right)$ is open, and therefore $S = f^{-1}((b,c))$ is open, by definition of continuity.~~

2.2.5 | Since $(b,c) = B\left(\frac{b+c}{2}, \frac{c-b}{2}\right)$ and $B(x,\varepsilon) = (x-\varepsilon, x+\varepsilon)$, the open balls in \mathbb{R} are exactly the open intervals. Any open set in \mathbb{R} is an infinite union of open intervals and preimage commutes with unions. Therefore continuity of $\mathbb{R}^n \supset D \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{R}$ is equivalent to $f^{-1}((b,c)) = \{p \in D \mid b < f(p) < c\} \subset D$ being open for all $b < c$.