

Surfaces

plane — linear surface

SpheresSphere Equation

$$(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 + (z-z_0)^2 = r^2 \quad] \text{ Cartesian}$$

Vector eq:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x} &= (x, y, z) & \vec{x}_0 &= (x_0, y_0, z_0) \\ r^2 &= \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0\|^2 = (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0) \\ &= \text{sq. of dist from } \vec{x} \text{ to } \vec{x}_0 \\ &= \vec{x} \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{x}_0 \cdot \vec{x}_0 - 2\vec{x} \cdot \vec{x}_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow -x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + ax + by + cz + d = \emptyset$$

Q Given such an eq, does it define a sphere?

A Not necessarily

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 1 &= \emptyset \\ \Leftrightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= -1 \\ \Rightarrow \text{empty set in } \mathbb{R}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } -x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= \emptyset \\ \Rightarrow \text{point (i.e. sphere of radius } \emptyset) \end{aligned}$$

- Given $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + ax + by + cz + d$, complete the square to figure out what it is

Intersectionssphere and a line: get 0, 1, or 2 pts

Algebraically, easiest way to solve is to write in parametric form

$$\vec{x} = (x, y, z) = \vec{x}_1 + t\vec{v}$$

then plug this into the eq for sphere to get a quadratic eq from it

$$\vec{x}_1 = \text{pt on line}, \quad \vec{x}_0 = \text{center of sphere}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Eq for } t \\ \vec{x} = \vec{v} + t\vec{v}$$

→ Eq. For t

$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}_1 + t\vec{v}$$

$$r^2 = (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}_0)$$

$$= (t\vec{v} + \vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_0) \cdot (t\vec{v} + \vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_0)$$

$$= (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})t^2 + 2(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_0) \cdot \vec{v}t + (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_0) \cdot (\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_0)$$

Sphere and a Sphere

Intersection is either:

- ① a circle
- ② a point
- ③ empty

Easier way to Find Intersection

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + a_1x + b_1y + c_1z + d_1 = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + a_2x + b_2y + c_2z + d_2 = 0$$

→ subtract top from bottom

$$(a_1 - a_2)x + (b_1 - b_2)y + (c_1 - c_2)z + d_1 - d_2 = 0$$

⇒ eq. of a plane

⇒ intersection of the spheres

is the intersection of one sphere
with that plane

→ solve for one of x, y, or z then plug
into the other eq.

eg. if $a_1 - a_2 \neq 0$, can solve for x

but if $a_1 - a_2 = 0$, solve for y

Q: what if $a_1 - a_2 = b_1 - b_2 = c_1 - c_2 = 0$?

A: this happens if the two spheres are
concentric

then, either:

① radii are different

→ empty intersection

② radii are same

→ they are the same
sphere

→ intersection in a sphere

Cylinder

$$\text{eg. } (x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = r^2$$

$$\text{eg. } (y-b)^2 + (z-c)^2 = r^2 \text{ another cylinder}$$

Intersections

Cylinder ∩ xy Plane

| its intersection w/ xy-plane is a

Its intersection w/ xy -Plane is a circle of radius r .

↳ Def

the intersection of a surface w/ a plane is a trace of that surface

Quadric Surfaces

↳ Def

Anything given by an eqn of the form
 $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + dxy + eyz + fxz + gx + hy + iz + j = 0$

↳ Examples

- sphere & cylinder

- ellipsoid:

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

equivalently:

$$\alpha x^2 + \beta y^2 + \gamma z^2 = \underbrace{d}_{d \neq 0}$$

can be put into the form above

Traces are ellipses

- hyperboloid

① one sheet

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$



② two sheets

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

Traces of hyperboloids are conic sections

ie - ellipses, hyperbola & parabolas

Q How to find?

On a plane parallel to coord plane just set $x, y, \text{ or } z$ to be a constant and then get eq of trace in the other var

just set $x, y,$ or z to be a constant and then get eq of trace in the other var.

eg One-sheet hyperboloid

→ if we set $z = \text{const}$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1 + \frac{z^2}{c^2}$$

⇒ ellipse

→ if we set $y = \text{const}$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1 - \frac{y^2}{b^2}$$

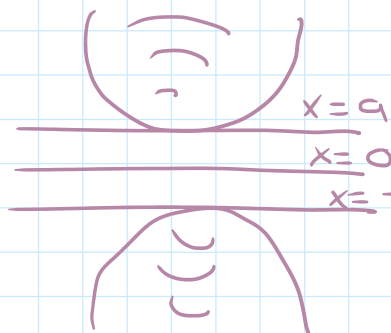
eg two-sheet

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = \frac{x^2}{a^2} - 1$$

→ if set $x = \text{const}$

(i.e., plane \parallel to yz plane)
then either



btwn the sheets →

① $x^2 - a^2 < 0$

→ trace is empty

② $x^2 - a^2 = 0$

→ trace is a point

③ $x^2 - a^2 > 0$

→ trace is an ellipse

see also: elliptic paraboloid.

hyperbolic paraboloid

- elliptic cone:

like 2 cones, one of them upside down, meeting at a point

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 0$$

Remark

$$x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 1$$

Cylindrical Coords

↳ defined by

$$(r, \theta, z) \text{ such that } \begin{cases} x = r \cos(\theta) \\ y = r \sin(\theta) \\ z = z \end{cases}$$

$$r^2 = x^2 + y^2$$

$$\theta = \arcsin(y/r)$$

→ like polar coord in x, y ∴ don't do anything to z

NOTE $r \geq 0$
 $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

Q: Why "cylindrical"?

A: b/c an eqn $r = \text{const}$ defines a cylinder

Cool geometric surface:

$z = \theta$ defines a "helicoid"

→ looks like parking garage

Spherical Coords $(\rho, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow (\text{rho}, \text{theta}, \text{phi})$

$$\rho^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

$$\rho = \|(x, y, z)\|$$

$$x = \rho \sin \phi \cos \theta$$

$$y = \rho \sin \phi \sin \theta$$

$$z = \rho \cos \phi$$

ϕ = angle from z -axis

↳ so $\phi = 0$ if on positive z -axis

$\phi = \pi$ if on negative z -axis

$\phi = \pi/2$ if on xy -plane

$$0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

$$0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$$

↳ so $r = \rho \sin \phi$ relation btwn spherical ∴ cylindrical coords

Q: Why "spherical"?

A: Bc eq $\rho = \text{const}$ defines a sphere centered at origin.

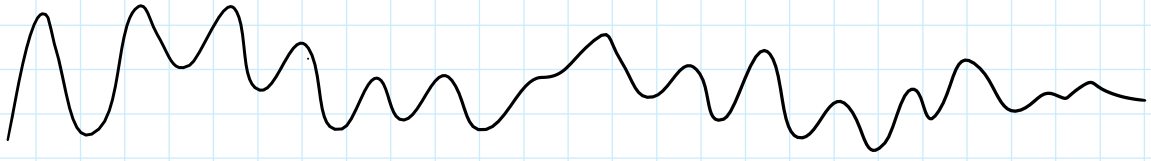
centered at origin.

Q: What about sphere centered somewhere else?

A: See Example 1.33
(The eqn is REALLY messy)

Helix

$z = \theta$ $r = \text{const}$
 \Rightarrow a curve



Problems

Sec 1.2 CG

Q Can every vector in \mathbb{R}^3 be written as a linear combo of \vec{i} and \vec{j} ?

i.e. $\vec{v} = m\vec{i} + n\vec{j}$?

A no

eg $(0, 0, 1) = \vec{k}$ cannot be written this way

Why?

if $\vec{v} = m\vec{i} + n\vec{j}$ then the z coord of \vec{v} must be 0

Therefore if \vec{v} has nonzero z-coord, then \vec{v} cannot be written in that form

Sec 1.3 AG

Q angle btw $(4, 2, -1) = \vec{v}$ & $(8, 4, -2) = \vec{w}$

notice $\vec{w} = 2\vec{v}$

$\hookrightarrow \vec{w} \ni \vec{v}$ point in same dir

\rightarrow angle btw them = 0