

§16.6 Parametric Surfaces

$\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$ parametric space curve.

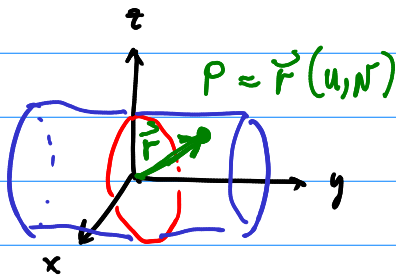
$\vec{r}(u, v) = \langle x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v) \rangle \leftarrow$ parametric surface in $\mathbb{R}^3$.

Ex. $\vec{r} = \langle 2 \cos u, v, 2 \sin u \rangle$ Describe the surface?

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 \cos u \\ y = v \\ z = 2 \sin u \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x = 2 \cos u \\ z = 2 \sin u \end{cases}$$

$$x^2 + z^2 = 4 \cos^2 u + 4 \sin^2 u = 4$$

circle $r=2$ in xz -plane

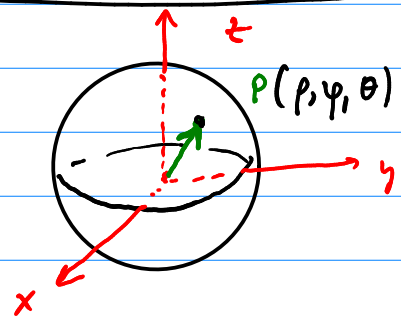


cylinder w/ y -axis as central axis.

Ex. $\vec{r} = \langle (2 + \sin v) \cos u, (2 + \sin v) \sin u, u + \cos v \rangle$

Q. What does it look like? SageMath.

Ex. $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ ← p
parametrize it!



Spherical coords

$$\begin{cases} x = p \sin \varphi \cos \theta \\ y = p \sin \varphi \sin \theta \\ z = p \cos \varphi \end{cases}$$

so,

$$(*) \quad \vec{r}(\varphi, \theta) = \langle \sin \varphi \cos \theta, \sin \varphi \sin \theta, \cos \varphi \rangle$$

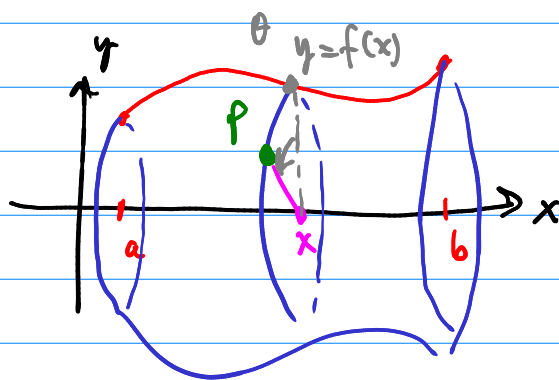
$$0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

Before: $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1 \rightarrow z = \pm \sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2}$

$$\begin{cases} f_u(x, y) = \sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2} \\ f_l(x, y) = -f_u(x, y) \end{cases}$$

Let's plot both and compare!

Ex. Surfaces of revolution

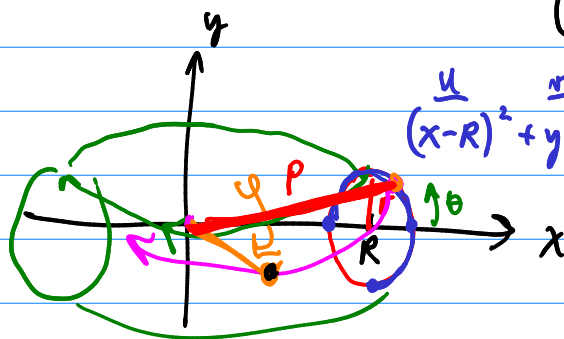


$$\begin{aligned} y &= f(x) \\ f(x) &> 0 \text{ on } [a, b] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} x = x \\ y = f(x) \cdot \cos \theta \\ z = f(x) \cdot \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

Ex. Parametrize the torus.

$$\begin{aligned} x &= p \sin \varphi \cos \theta \\ y &= p \sin \varphi \sin \theta \\ z &= p \cos \varphi \end{aligned}$$



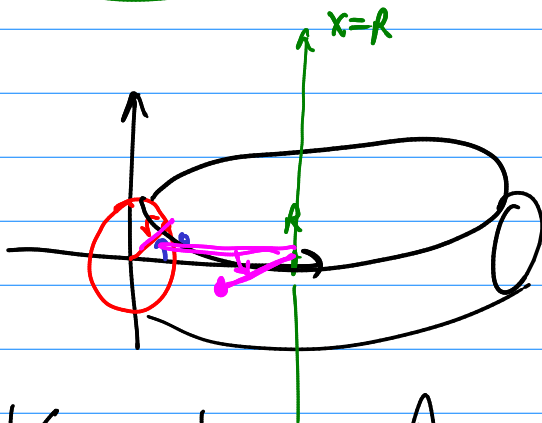
$$(x-R)^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

$$x-R = u = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = v = r \sin \theta$$

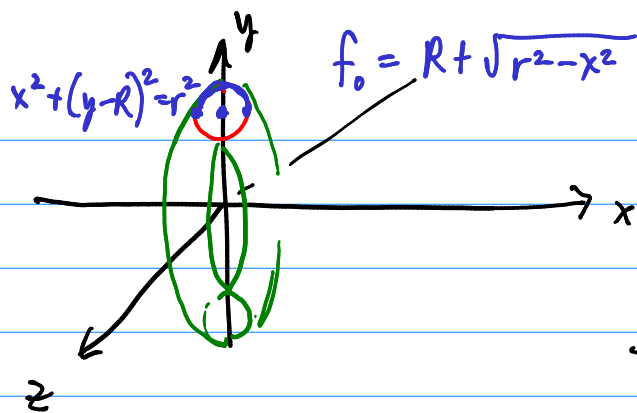
$$x = R + r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Circle: } x &= r \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

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$$x = x$$

$$y = f(x) \cos \theta$$

$$z = f(x) \sin \theta$$

This is much better ☺