

Planes and Surfaces

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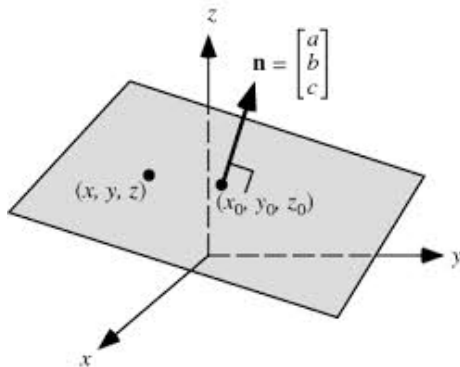
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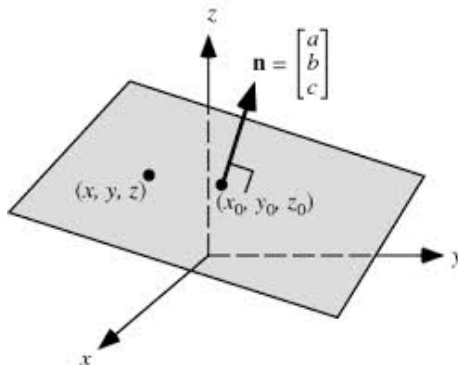
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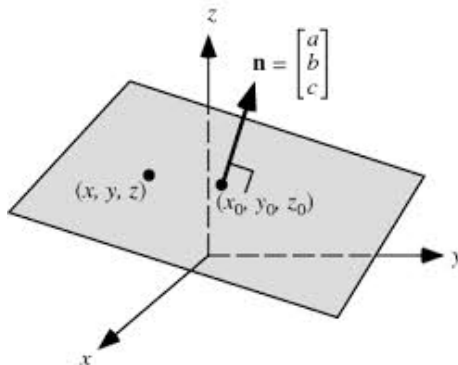
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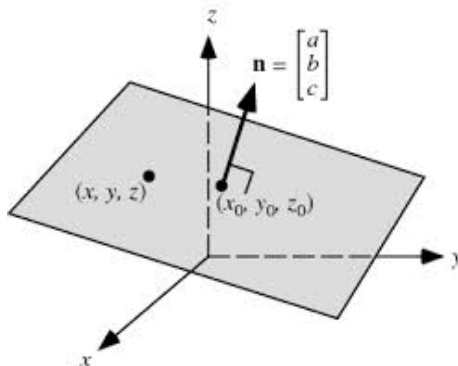




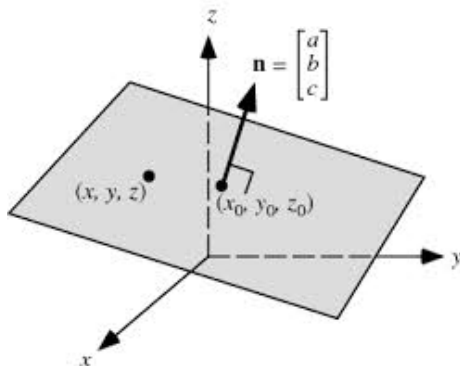
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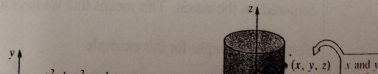
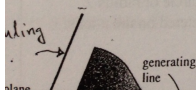
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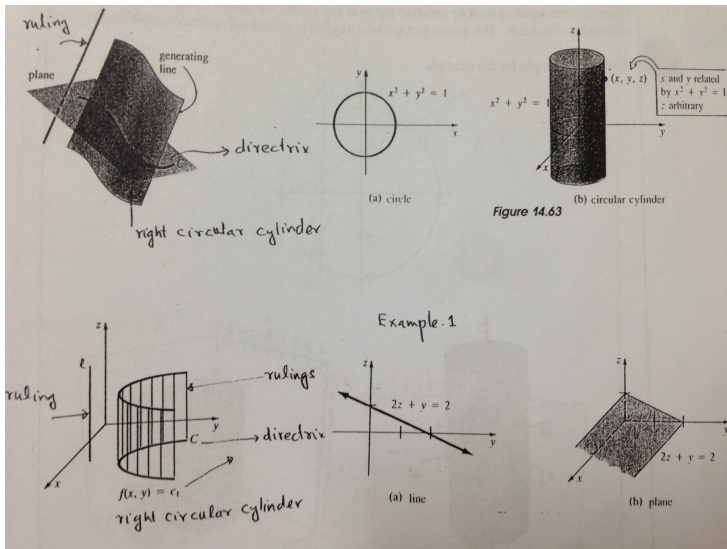
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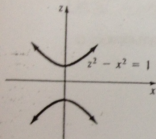


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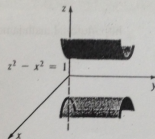
(a) line

(b) plane

Example. 2

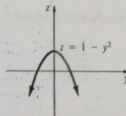


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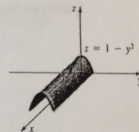


(b) hyperbolic cylinder

Example. 3



(a) parabola



(b) parabolic cylinder

Example 3 Graph $x^2 + y^2 = 4$ in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 .

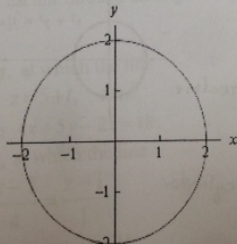
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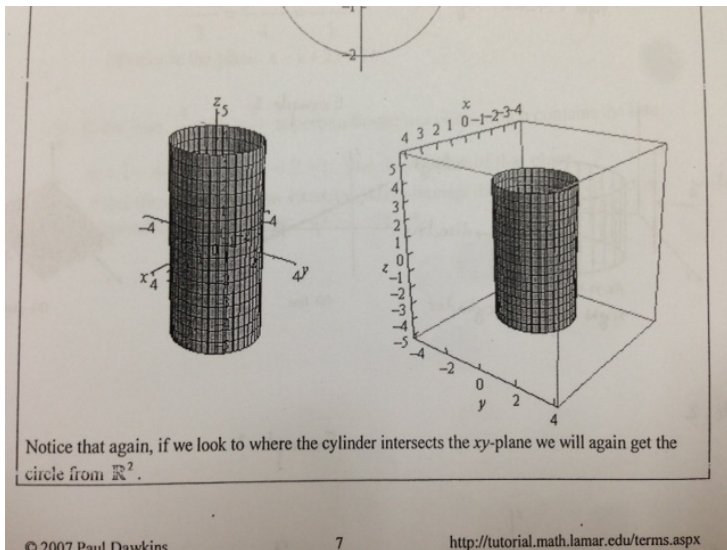
As with the previous example this won't have a 1-D graph since there are two variables.

In \mathbb{R}^2 this is a circle centered at the origin with radius 2.

In \mathbb{R}^3 however, as with the previous example, this may or may not be a circle. Since we have not specified z in any way we must assume that z can take on any value. In other words, at any value of z this equation must be satisfied and so at any value z we have a circle of radius 2 centered on the z -axis. This means that we have a cylinder of radius 2 centered on the z -axis.

Here are the graphs for this example.





Example 2 Graph $y = 2x - 3$ in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 .

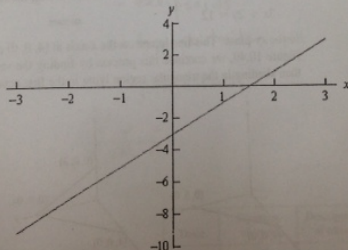
Solution

Of course we had to throw out \mathbb{R} for this example since there are two variables which means that we can't be in a 1-D space.

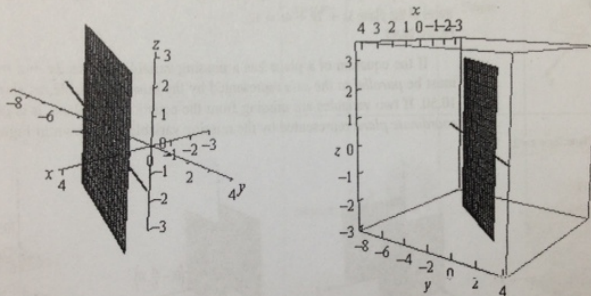
In \mathbb{R}^2 this is a line with slope 2 and a y intercept of -3.

However, in \mathbb{R}^3 this is not necessarily a line. Because we have not specified a value of z we are forced to let z take any value. This means that at any particular value of z we will get a copy of this line. So, the graph is then a vertical plane that lies over the line given by $y = 2x - 3$ in the xy -plane.

Here is the graph in \mathbb{R}^2 .



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Notice that if we look to where the plane intersects the xy -plane we will get the graph of the line in \mathbb{R}^2 as noted in the above graph by the red line through the plane.

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$$3x + 2y + 4z = 12.$$

Equation of plane

We find the *xy*-trace by letting $z = 0$ and sketching the line

$$3x + 2y = 12$$

xy-trace

in the *xy*-plane. This line intersects the *x*-axis at $(4, 0, 0)$ and the *y*-axis at $(0, 6, 0)$. In Figure 10.49, we continue this process by finding the *yz*-trace and the *xz*-trace, and then shading in the triangular region lying in the first octant.



points on the plane $5x + 2y + 4z = 12$

Figure 10.49

If the equation of a plane has a missing variable such as $2x + z = 1$, the plane must be *parallel to the axis* represented by the missing variable, as shown in Figure 10.50. If two variables are missing from the equation of a plane, it is *parallel to the coordinate plane* represented by the missing variables, as shown in Figure 10.51.

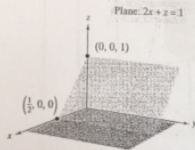
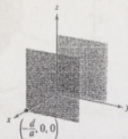
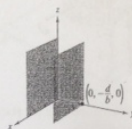


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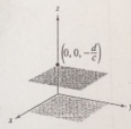


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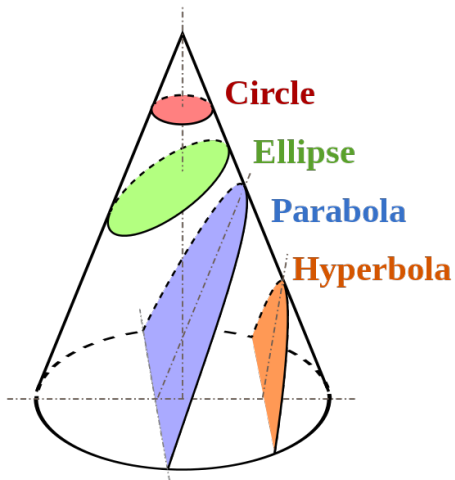
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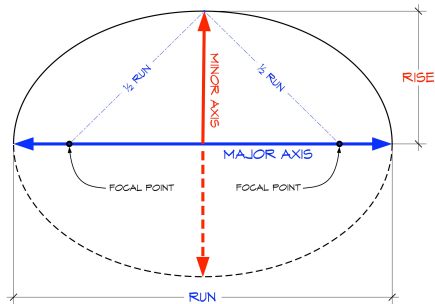
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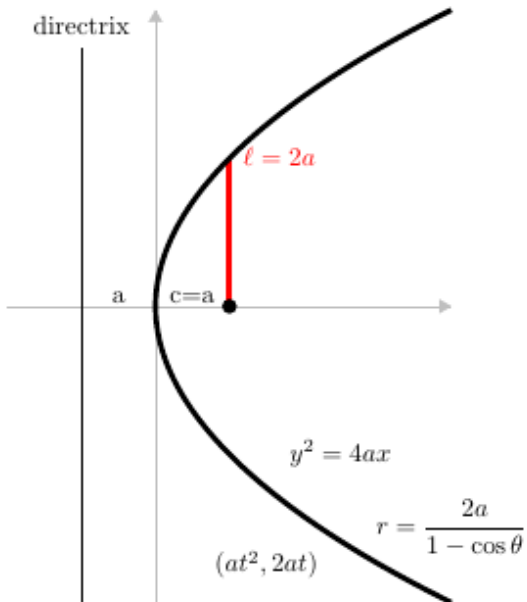
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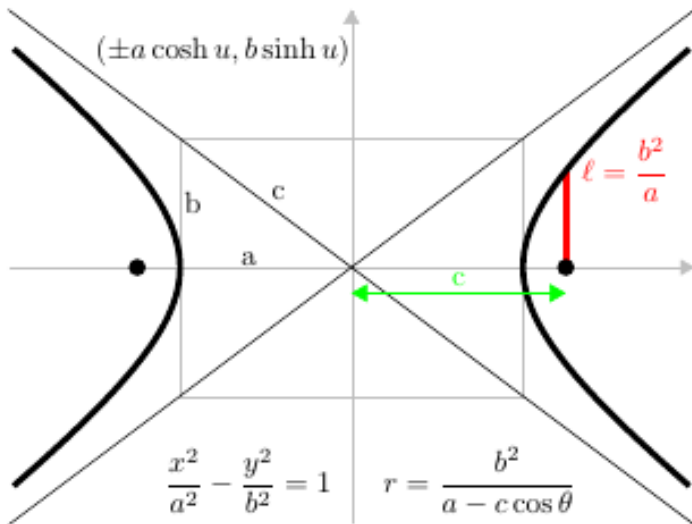
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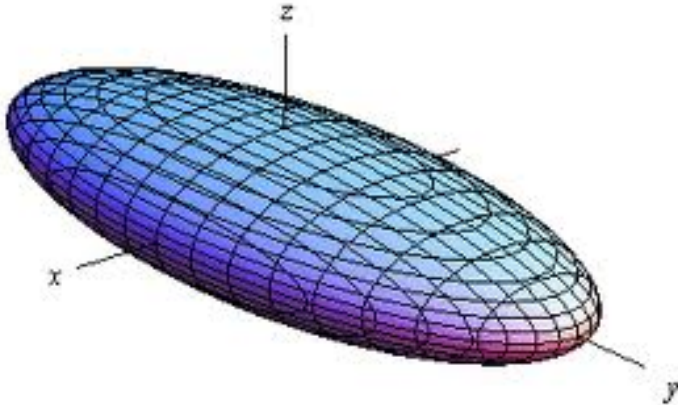
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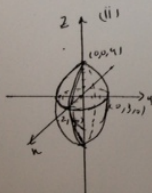
Ex. Let a surface be $36x^2 + 16y^2 + 9z^2 = 144$

- Write the name of the surface,
- Write the names and the equation of the traces of the surface on the coordinate planes and
- Sketch the surface.

Solution. Dividing both sides of the equation by 144, we obtained

$$\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} + \frac{z^2}{16} = 1$$

(i) This is an ellipsoid, axis is z-axis.



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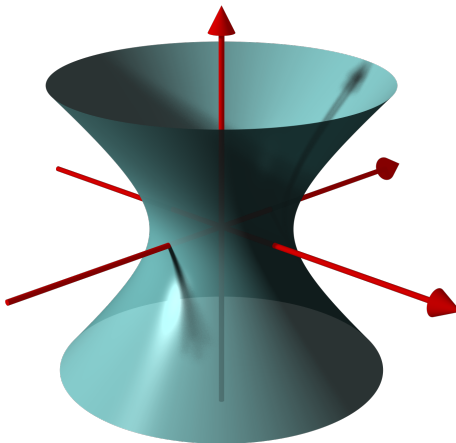
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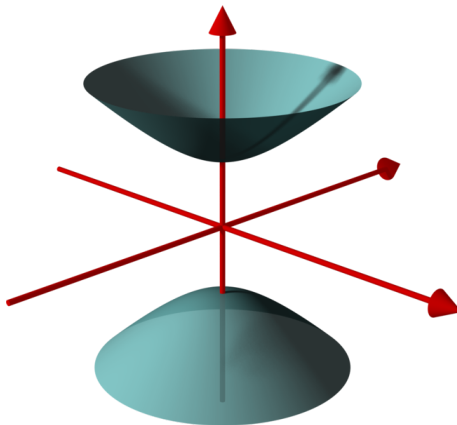
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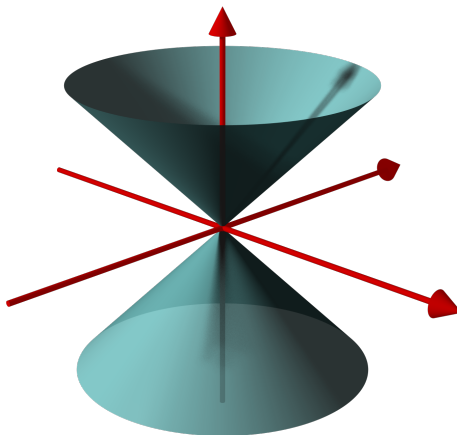
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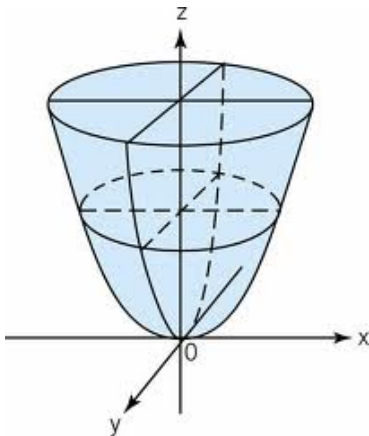
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