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Practice / Test Problems

1. Show that the cylinder is a regular surface and find parametrizations whose coordinate nbhds cover it.

$$\text{Cyl.} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$$

2. Is the set $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z=0, x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ a reg. surf?
Is the set $\{ \quad \mid \quad, x^2 + y^2 < 1 \}$ a reg. surf?

3. Show that the two-sheeted cone, $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 0\}$, is not a regular surface.

4. Let $f(x, y, z) = z^2$. Prove that zero (0) is not a regular value of f , and yet $f^{-1}(0)$ is a regular surface.

5. Let $P = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x = y\}$ and let $\mathfrak{X}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be $\mathfrak{X}(u, v) = (u+v, u+v, uv)$, where $U = \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid u > v\}$. Clearly $\mathfrak{X}(U) \subset P$. Is \mathfrak{X} a parametrization of P ?

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a. Show that $\mathbb{X}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ given by:

$$\mathbb{X}(u, v) = (a \sin(u) \cos(v), b \sin(u) \sin(v), c \cos(u))$$

$$a, b, c \neq 0 \quad 0 < u < \pi$$

$$a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \quad 0 < v < 2\pi$$

is a parametrization for the ellipsoid $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$.

b. Describe geometrically the curves $u = \text{constant}$ on the ellipsoid.

Solutions to Practice/Test Problems

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Problem

1. Show that the cylinder is a regular surface

$$C = \text{Cyl} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$$

Use proposition 1.

If $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable in an open set $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, then the graph of f , $(x, y, f(x, y))$ for $(x, y) \in U$ is a regular surface.

$$\text{Let } \mathcal{X}_1 = (x, \sqrt{1-x^2}, z)$$

$$U = \{(x, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 < 1\}$$

$$f = \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \text{ is differentiable } \forall (x, z) \in U$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \forall (x, z) \in U$$

\therefore The open $\frac{1}{2}$ cylinder is a regular surface

We can easily cover C with 4 similar parametrizations, so C is a regular surface

$$\mathcal{X}_2 = (x, -\sqrt{1-x^2}, z)$$

$$\mathcal{X}_3 = (\sqrt{1-y^2}, y, z)$$

$$\mathcal{X}_4 = (-\sqrt{1-y^2}, y, z)$$

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Problem 2

Is the set $\{(x,y,z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z=0, x^2+y^2 \leq 1\}$ a reg. surf.?

$$\text{Let } f = f(x,y) = z = 0$$

$$U = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2+y^2 \leq 1\}$$

f is differentiable, but U is a closed set.

\therefore No.

Is the set $\{(x,y,z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z=0, x^2+y^2 < 1\}$ a reg. surf.?

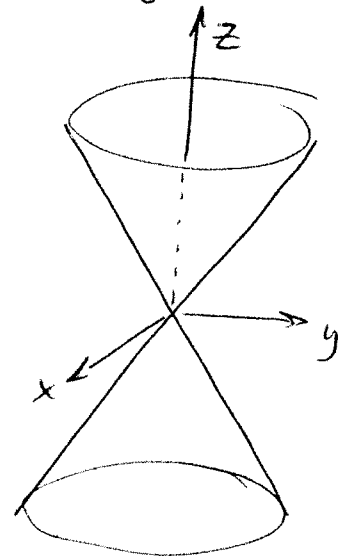
Same approach yields Yes.

Problem 3

Show that the two sheeted cone is not a regular surface

$$z^2 = x^2 + y^2 \quad (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Use proposition 3.



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Problem 4

Use definition 2.

$$f(x, y, z) = z^2$$

$$f(x, y, z) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1 \quad U = \mathbb{R}^3$$

$$df = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2z \end{pmatrix}$$

When $z = 0$, $df = 0$. $\therefore df$ is not onto

$\therefore z$ is a critical value

However $f^{-1}(0) =$ the x - y plane $= \mathbb{R}^2 = f^{-1}(x, y, z) = (x, y)$
 (I think) If this is right, the $f^{-1}(0)$ is a
 regular surface since \mathbb{R}^2 can be parametrized
 by its natural coordinates