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The Ball

Mathematically speaking, the `Ball` structure describes a closed ball on the n -dimensional euclidean space. In two dimensions, this is a disk, and in three dimensions, this is a sphere, centered at the origin.

Description	Accessors	Value
The radius of the ball	<code>b.radius()</code>	User-defined with <code>Ball::new</code>

2D and 3D example:

```
let ball = Ball::new(1.0);
assert!(ball.radius() == 1.0);
```



The Cuboid

The `Cuboid` structure describes a rectangle in two dimensions, or a cuboid in three dimensions. A cuboid is defined by its *half extents* – that is – its half length along each coordinate axis. For performance and accuracy reasons, each cuboid also has an *internal margin*. This means that the actual geometry used for collision detection is a cuboid with rounded corners with a radius equal to the margin.

Description	Accessors	Value
The half extents of the cuboid	<code>c.half_extents()</code>	User-defined by <code>Cuboid::new</code>
The internal margin of the cuboid	<code>c.margin()</code>	<code>0.04</code> or user-defined by <code>Cuboid::new_with_margin</code>

3D example:

```
let cuboid = Cuboid::new(Vec3::new(1.0, 2.0, 3.0));
assert!(cuboid.margin() == 0.04); // default margin.
```



2D example:

```
let cuboid = Cuboid::new_with_margin(Vec2::new(1.0, 2.0), 0.2);
assert!(cuboid.margin() == 0.2); // user-defined margin
```



The Cylinder

The `Cylinder` structure describes a rectangle in two dimensions (use `Cuboid` instead), or a cylinder in three dimensions. The principal axis is the positive y axis.

Description	Accessors	Value
The half height of the cylinder	<code>c.half_height()</code>	User-defined by <code>Cylinder::new</code>
The radius of the cylinder basis	<code>c.radius()</code>	User-defined by <code>Cylinder::new</code>
The margin of the cylinder	<code>c.margin()</code>	<code>0.04</code> or user-defined by <code>Cylinder::new_with_margin</code>

3D example:

```
let cylinder1 = Cylinder::new(1.0, 0.5);
let cylinder2 = Cylinder::new_with_margin(1.0, 0.5, 0.1);

assert!(cylinder1.margin() == 0.04); // default margin
assert!(cylinder2.margin() == 0.1);  // user-defined margin
```



The Cone

The `Cone` structure describes an isosceles triangle in two dimensions, or a cone of revolution in tree dimensions. A cone is defined by the *radius* of its basis and its *half height* – the half distance between the basis and the apex. The principal axis is the positive y axis.

Description	Accessors	Value
The half height of the cone	<code>c.half_height()</code>	User-defined by <code>Cone::new</code>
The radius of the cone basis	<code>c.radius()</code>	User-defined by <code>Cone::new</code>
The margin of the cone	<code>c.margin()</code>	<code>0.04</code> or user-defined by <code>Cone::new_with_margin</code>

3D example:

```
let cone1 = Cone::new(1.0, 0.5);
let cone2 = Cone::new_with_margin(1.0, 0.5, 0.1);

assert!(cone1.margin() == 0.04); // default margin
assert!(con2.margin() == 0.1);   // user-defined margin
```



The Capsule

The `Capsule` structure describes the minkowski sum of a segment and a ball. In other words, this is a cylinder with its flat extremities replaced by balls. A capsule is defined by its *half height* and the *radius* of its extremities. The principal axis is the positive y axis.

Description	Accessors	Value
The half height of the capsule	<code>c.half_height()</code>	User-defined by <code>Capsule::new</code>
The radius of the capsule extremities	<code>c.radius()</code>	User-defined by <code>Capsule::new</code>

2D and 3D example:

```
let capsule = Capsule::new(1.0, 0.5);  
  
assert!(capsule.half_height() == 1.0);  
assert!(capsule.radius() == 0.5);
```



The Plane

The `Plane` structure describes a solid closed half-space. A plane is defined by its *normal*. Every point that has a negative or zero dot product with the plane normal is considered *inside* of the plane. Other points are considered *outside* of the plane.

Description	Accessors	Value
The normal of the plane	<code>p.normal()</code>	User-defined by <code>Plane::new</code>

2D and 3D example:

```
let plane = Plane::new(Vec2::new(1.0, 0.0));
assert!(plane.normal().x == 1.0);
assert!(plane.normal().y == 0.0);
```



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