WEEK 12

# CHAPTER FIVE

The Quadric Surfaces

### OUTLINE

- Sphere, ellipsoid, cone
- Elliptic paraboloid
- Hyperboloid of one sheet
- Hyperboloid of two sheets
- Many more...

### FYI

- https://www.pinterest.com/pin/544161567467205578/
- https://www.re-thinkingthefuture.com/materials-construction/a2294-what-are-hyperbolic-paraboloid-shells/

#### A HISTORY LESSON...

- Rene' Decarte (1596-1650)
- https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/descartes/
- First laid the foundation of algebraic geometry by combining two main branches of mathematics: algebra and geometry.
- He made an astonishing observation of his time that the position of a tiny object on a wall can be located by drawing two perpendiculars from the object on the respective axes defining the wall
- Later his idea was used to study the shape of curves in the xy-plane defined by algebraic funtions. The resultant curve is a graph of the function y=f(x).

# STRAIGHT LINE

# ALL OTHER SHAPES

# 2D TO 3D

# QUADRIC SURFACE

• The quadric surface is a graph in space of a second degree equation in x, y and z.

#### STEPS TO SKETCHING EXAMPLE

- We study these surfaces with a simple observation that a surface is generated by infinite family of curves that lie on it. Normally a surface can be drawn by tracing out a few curves and joining them together to form it. To do this we need to formally define a procedure with is known as sketching the traces.
- Warm up: Suppose we have a sphere which is intersected from a plane right in the middle. What geometrical object you get on the plane?

### TRACE

■ A trace of a surface S is a geometrical curve which one obtain on a plane that intersects the surface.

# EXAMPLE OF A BASIC FUNCTION

# EXAMPLE: STRAIGHT LINE

# EXAMPLE: CIRCLE

# EXAMPLE: ELLIPSOID

# **EXAMPLE: SPHERE**

# EXAMPLE: ELLIPTIC CONE

# EXAMPLE HYPERBOLOID OF ONE SHEET

# EXAMPLE: HYPERBOLOID OF TWO SHEETS

# EXAMPLE: ELLIPTIC PARABOLOID

#### FYI

- The Clebsch Surface (1871)
- https://blogs.ams.org/visualinsight/2016/03/01/clebsch-surface/
- Penrose Twistor (1969)
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j16eVLDt2HI
- Klein Bottle (1869)
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dj3HqRtC-T8

### RECALL FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS...

Find an equation in cylindrical coordinates for the ellipsoid:  $4x^2+4y^2+z^2=1$ 

### RECALL FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS...

Find an equation in spherical coordinates for the hyperboloid of two sheets:  $x^2-y^2-z^2=1$ 

### SUMMARY

- VERY Useful website
- https://www.geogebra.org/3d?lang=en