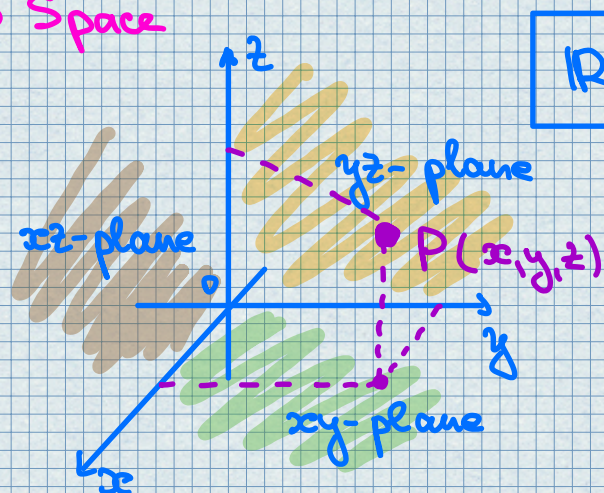


Lecture #1 - Week 1 - \mathbb{R}^3 Coordinate Systems - 12.1

• 3D Space



$$\boxed{\mathbb{R}^3} = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} = \{(x, y, z) \mid x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

These three planes divide space into 8 parts, called octants.

$P(a, b, 0)$ is a projection of P onto xy-plane

$P(0, b, c)$ is a projection of P onto yz-plane

$P(a, 0, c)$ is a projection of P onto xz-plane

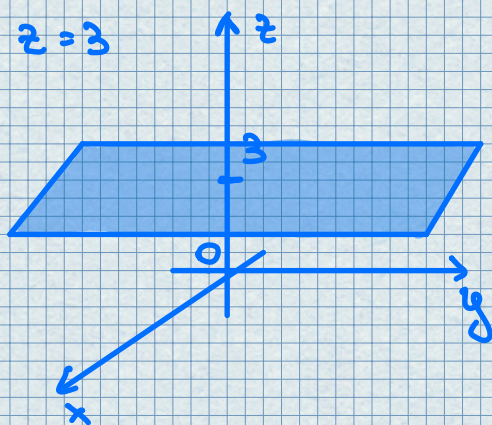
• Surfaces

In \mathbb{R}^2 : $f(x, y) = c$ is a curve

In \mathbb{R}^3 : $f(x, y, z) = c$ is a surface

Example

(a) $z = 3$

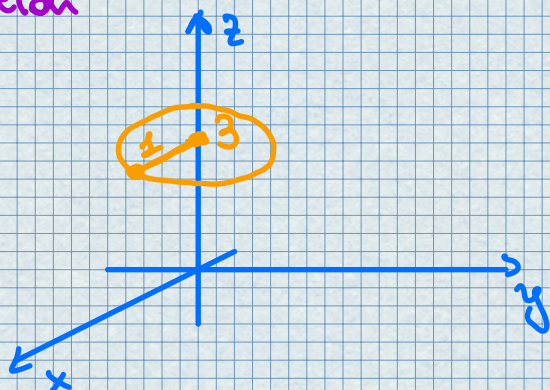


Example

Which points (x, y, z) satisfy equations

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad z = 3$$

Solution

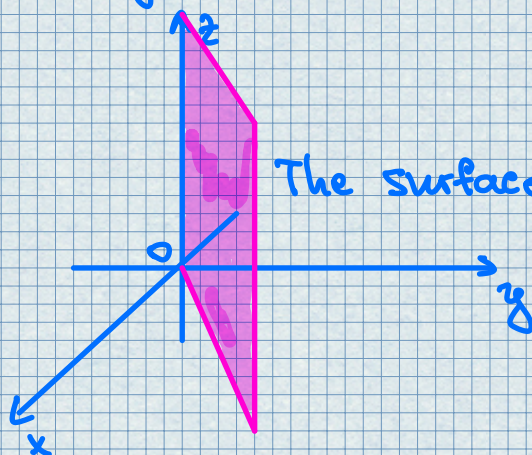


Example

Describe and sketch the surface in \mathbb{R}^3

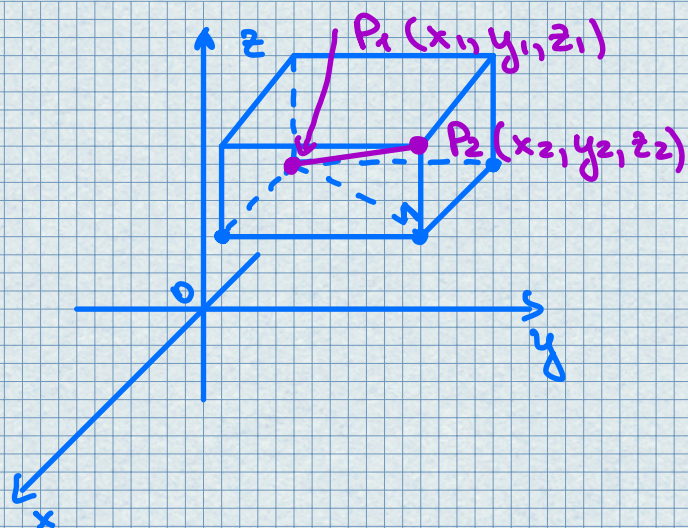
$$y = x$$

surface: $\{(x, y, z) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$

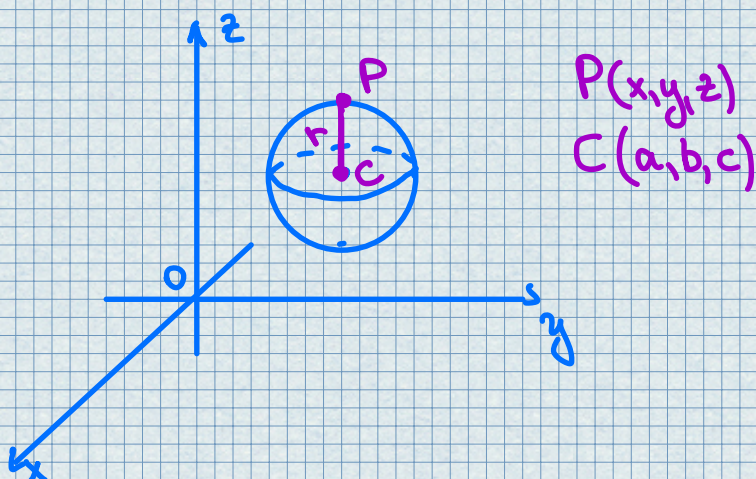


The surface in the I octant

- Distance and spheres



$$|P_1 P_2| = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$$



Equation of a Sphere

$$(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 + (z-c)^2 = r^2$$

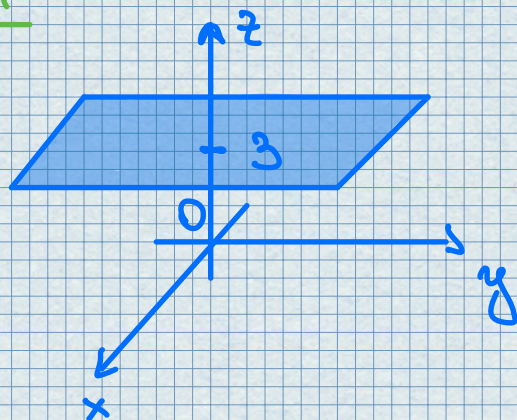
If $(a, b, c) = (0, 0, 0)$, then

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = r^2$$

Examples

1. What surface in \mathbb{R}^3 is represented by the equation $z=3$?

Solution

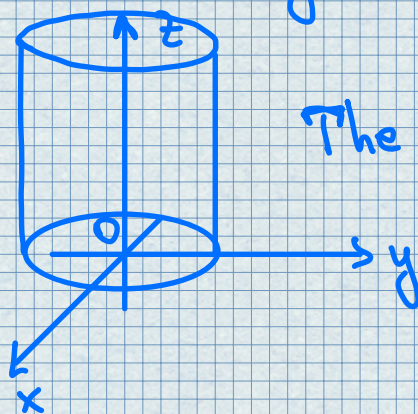


$\{(x,y,z) \mid z=3\}$
horizontal plane \parallel to
xy-plane

2. What does the equation $x^2+y^2=1$ represent as a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 ?

Solution

We have that $z=k$. So the surface $x^2+y^2=1$ in \mathbb{R}^3 consists of all possible horizontal circles $x^2+y^2=1, z=k$.



The cylinder

3. Find the distance from $P(2, -1, 7)$ to $Q(1, -3, 5)$.

Solution

$$|PQ| = \sqrt{(1-2)^2 + (-3+1)^2 + (5-7)^2} = 3$$

4. Show that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4x - 6y + 2z + 6 = 0$ is the equation of a sphere.

Solution

$$(x^2 + 4x + 4) + (y^2 - 6y + 9) + (z^2 + 2z + 1) = -6 + 4 + 9 + 1$$

$$(x+2)^2 + (y-3)^2 + (z+1)^2 = 8$$

Center: $(-2, 3, -1)$

radius = $2\sqrt{2}$.