

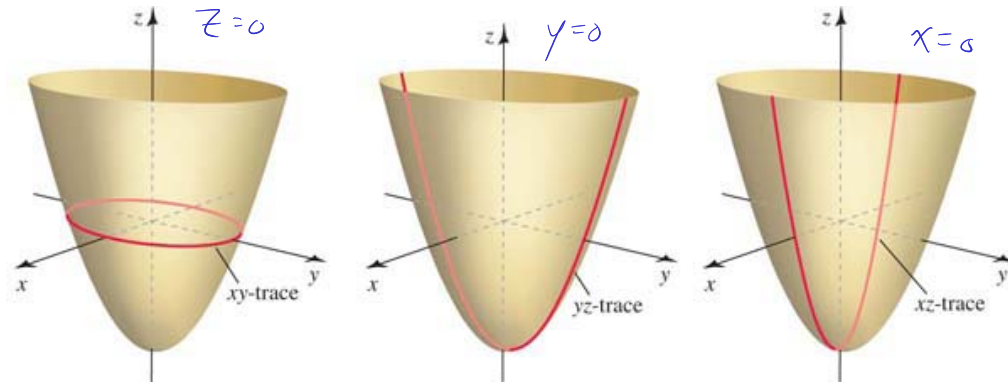
13.6: Cylinders and Quadric Surfaces

Cylinders and Traces:

When talking about three-dimensional surfaces, a *cylinder* refers to a surface that is parallel to a line. When considering surfaces that is parallel to one of the coordinate axes, that the associated variable is missing (e.g. $3y^2 + z^2 = 8$ is parallel to the x -axis).

Definition. (Trace)

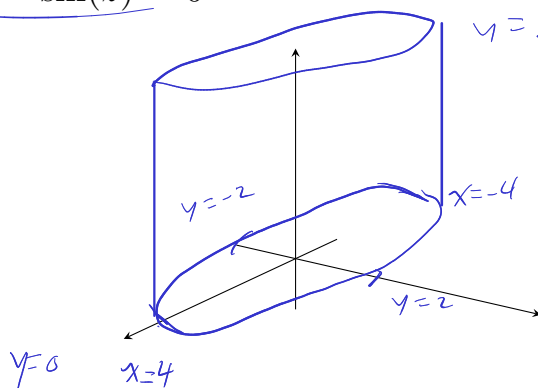
A **trace** of a surface is the set of points at which the surface intersects a plane that is parallel to one of the coordinate planes. The traces in the coordinate planes are called the **xy -trace**, the **yz -trace**, and the **xz -trace** (Figure 13.80).



Example. Roughly sketch the following functions:

1. $x^2 + 4y^2 = 16$

2. $x - \sin(z) = 0$



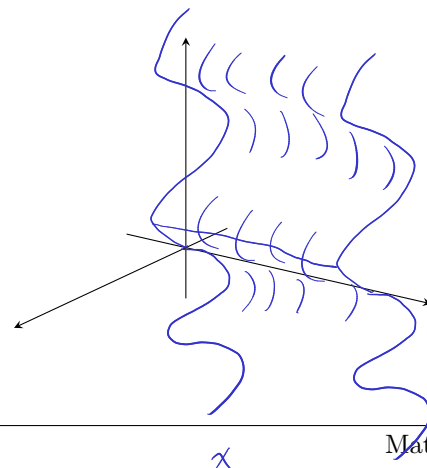
Handwritten notes for the first example:
 $4y^2 = 16$
 $y^2 = 4$
 $y = \pm 2$

Let $y=0$

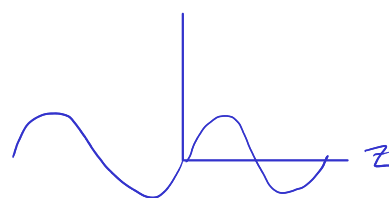
$x=0, -\sin(z)=0$

$z=0, \pi, 2\pi, \dots$
 $=n\pi, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$x = \sin(z)$



Handwritten note: Ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = r^2$



Quadric Surfaces:

Quadric surfaces are described by the general quadratic (second-degree) equation in three variables,

$$Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2 + Dxy + Exz + Fyz + Gx + Hy + Iz + J = 0,$$

Where the coefficients A, \dots, J are not all zero. To sketch quadric surfaces, keep the following ideas in mind:

x-intercept \rightarrow set $y=z=0$

- 1. Intercepts** Determine the points, if any, where the surface intersects the coordinate axes. To find these intercepts, set x , y , and z equal to zero in pairs in the equation of the surface, and solve for the third coordinate.
- 2. Traces** Finding traces of the surface helps visualize the surface. Setting x , y , and z equal to zero in pairs gives the planes parallel in that pair's plane.
- 3. Completing the figure** Sketch some traces in parallel planes, then draw smooth curves that pass through the traces to fill out the surface.

Example (An ellipsoid). The surface defined by the equation $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$. Graph $a = 3$, $b = 4$ and $c = 5$.

Intercepts

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{16} + \frac{z^2}{25} = 1$$

Traces

$$x=0 \rightarrow \frac{y^2}{16} + \frac{z^2}{25} = 1$$

x-int ($y=0, z=0$)

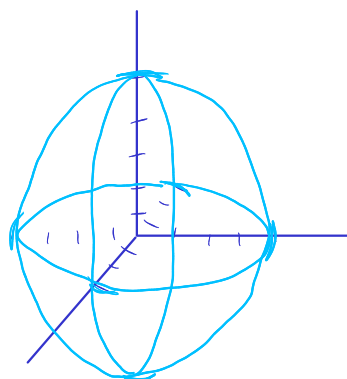
$$\frac{x^2}{9} = 1 \rightarrow x = \pm 3$$

y-int

$$\frac{y^2}{16} = 1 \rightarrow y = \pm 4$$

$$z = \pm 5$$

Sketch



Example (An elliptic paraboloid). The surface defined by the equation $z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$. Graph the elliptic paraboloid with $a = 4$ and $b = 2$.

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

$$x = \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2}$$

Int

$$x = 0 \quad (y = 0, z = 0)$$

$$y = 0$$

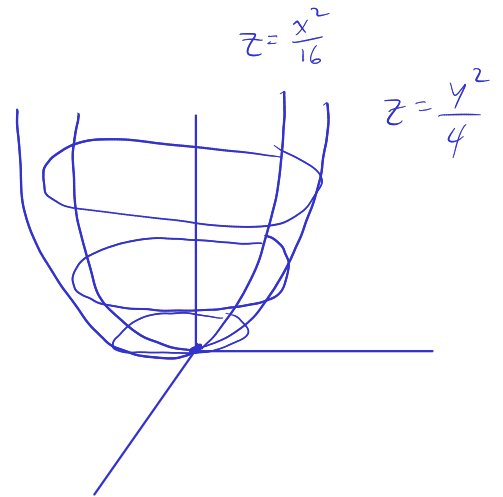
$$z = 0$$

Tras

$$x = 0 \rightarrow z = \frac{y^2}{4}$$

$$y = 0 \rightarrow z = \frac{x^2}{16}$$

$$z = 0 \rightarrow 0 = \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4}$$



$$\left. \begin{aligned} z = 1 &= \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} \\ z = 4 &= \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} \\ z = 9 &= \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{y^2}{4} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Shape?} \\ \text{ellipse} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

Example (A hyperboloid of one sheet).

Graph the surface defined by the equation $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$.

$$c=1$$

Inter

$$y=z=0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

$$x=z=0 \Rightarrow y = \pm 3$$

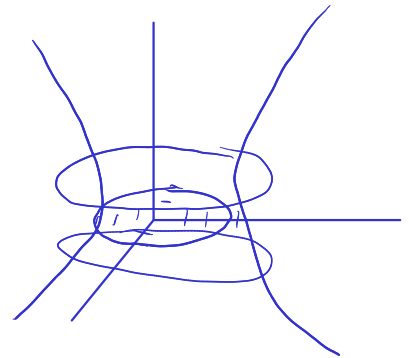
$$x=y=0 \Rightarrow -z^2=1 \quad \text{No } z\text{-intercept}$$

Traces

$$z=0 \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{9} = 1$$

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

$$y=0 \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{4} - z^2 = 1 \rightarrow \text{hyperbola}$$



$$-\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

Example (A hyperboloid of two sheets). Graph the surface defined by the equation $-16x^2 - 4y^2 + z^2 + 64x - 80 = 0$.

$$-16x^2 + 64x - 4y^2 + z^2 = 80$$

$$-16(x^2 - 4x + 4 - 4) - 4y^2 + z^2 = 80$$

$$-16(x-2)^2 + 64 - 4y^2 + z^2 = 80$$

$$-16(x-2)^2 - 4y^2 + z^2 = 16$$

$$-(x-2)^2 - \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{z^2}{16} = 1$$

Int

$$y = z = 0 \rightarrow -(x-2)^2 = 1 \quad \text{DNE}$$

$$x = z = 0 \rightarrow \text{DNE}$$

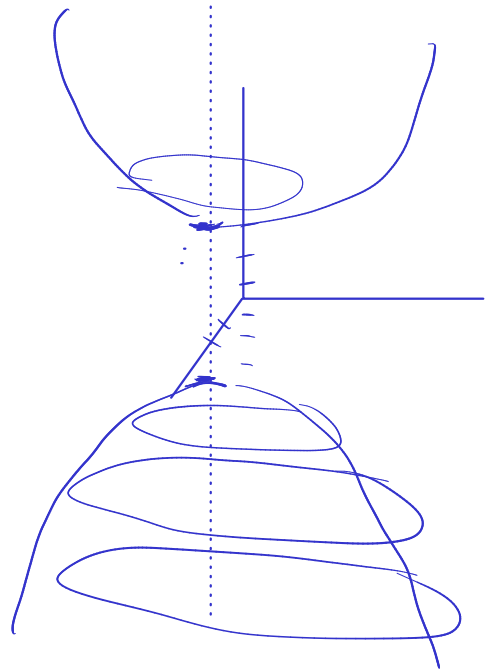
$$x = y = 0 \rightarrow z = \pm 4$$

Traces

$$x=0 \rightarrow -\frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{z^2}{16} = 1 \rightarrow \text{hyperbola}$$

$$y=0 \rightarrow \text{hyperbola}$$

$$z=0 \rightarrow -\underbrace{(x-2)^2}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{\frac{y^2}{4}}_{\geq 0} = 1$$



$$z = 8 \rightarrow -(x-2)^2 - \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{64}{16} = 1$$

$$-(x-2)^2 - \frac{y^2}{4} = -3$$

$$(x-2)^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = 3 \rightarrow \text{ellipse}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{z^2}{c^2}$$

Example (Elliptic cones). Graph the surface defined by the equation $\frac{y^2}{4} + z^2 = 4x^2$.

Intercepts

$$x=y=0 \Rightarrow z=0$$

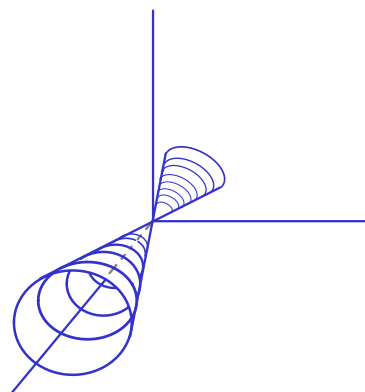
$$x=z=0 \Rightarrow y=0$$

$$y=z=0 \Rightarrow x=0$$

Trace

$$\text{let } x=0 \rightarrow \frac{y^2}{4} + z^2 = 0 \rightarrow \text{point @ } (0,0,0)$$

$$\text{let } x=1 \rightarrow \frac{y^2}{4} + z^2 = 4 \rightarrow \text{ellipse}$$



$$z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{c^2}$$

Example (A hyperbolic paraboloid).

Graph the surface defined by the equation $z = x^2 - \frac{y^2}{4}$.

Int

$$x=y=0 \Rightarrow z=0$$

$$x=z=0 \rightarrow y=0$$

$$y=z=0 \rightarrow x=0$$

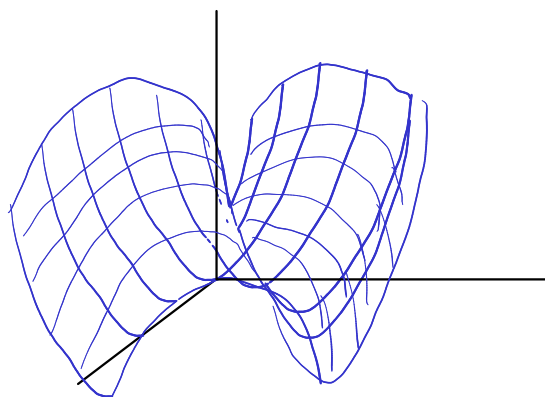
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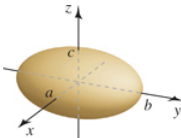
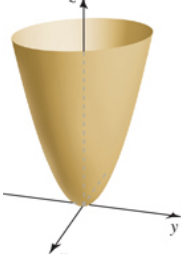
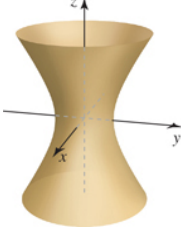
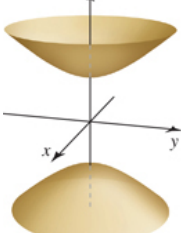
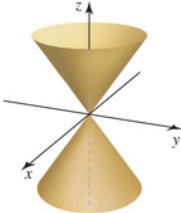
$$x=0 \rightarrow z = -\frac{y^2}{4} \quad \cap$$

$$y=0 \rightarrow z = x^2 \quad \cup$$

$$z=0 \rightarrow x^2 = \frac{y^2}{4} \rightarrow \text{hyperbola} \quad) ($$

"pringles chip"



Name	Standard Equation	Features	Graph
Ellipsoid	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$	All traces are ellipses.	
Elliptic paraboloid	$z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$	Traces with $z = z_0 > 0$ are ellipses. Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are parabolas.	
Hyperboloid of one sheet	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} - \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$	Traces with $z = z_0$ are ellipses for all z_0 . Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are hyperbolas.	
Hyperboloid of two sheets	$-\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$	Traces with $z = z_0$ with $ z_0 > c $ are ellipses. Traces with $x = x_0$ and $y = y_0$ are hyperbolas.	
Elliptic cone	$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{z^2}{c^2}$	Traces with $z = z_0 \neq 0$ are ellipses. Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are hyperbolas or intersecting lines.	
Hyperbolic paraboloid	$z = \frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2}$	Traces with $z = z_0 \neq 0$ are hyperbolas. Traces with $x = x_0$ or $y = y_0$ are parabolas.	