# SECTION 9.7 QUADRATIC SURFACES (CONTINUED)

Ex: Sketch  $z = 4x^2 + y^2$ 

**Solution:** What problem do we run into in the *xy*-plane?

Notice that if z = 0, then x = y = 0, and  $z \ge 0$ , so lets take some  $k \ge 0$ . Now if we look at z = k we get the equation  $4x^2 + y^2 = k$ , which is an ellipse.

Then in the xz-plane we get  $y = 4x^2$ , and similarly in the yz-plane we get  $z = y^2$ ; both of which are parabolas. So, this is an elliptic paraboloid.

Ex: Sketch  $z = y^2 - x^2$ .

**Solution:** Notice that unlike the previous problem, z can be negative and z = 0 isn't an issue. So we have three cases,  $z = 0 \Rightarrow y = \pm x$ ,  $z = 1 \Rightarrow y^2 - x^2 = 1$ ,  $z = -1 \Rightarrow y^2 - x^2 = -1 \Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = 1$ , which gives us hyperbolas. For this problem it is useful to sketch the trace (plot on the left). Then for



the other two directions we have  $z = -x^2$  in the *xz*-plane and  $z = y^2$  in the *yz*-plane, which are paraboloas. So we have a <u>hyperbolic paraboloid</u> also known as a saddle.



Ex: Sketch  $x^2/4 + y^2 - z^2/4 = 1$ .

**Solution:** The xy-plane gives us  $x^2/4 + y^2 = 1$ , xz-plane:  $x^2/4 - z^2/4 = 1$ , and yz-plane:  $y^2 - z^2/4 = 1$ . So we have an ellipse in the xy-plane and hyperbolas in the other, so this is a <u>Hyperboloid</u>. Notice in the plot, that the hyperboloid is connected, and therefore of <u>one sheet</u> (plot on the left).

Ex: Sketch  $4x^2 - y^2 + 2z^2 + 4 = 0$ .

**Solution:** In standard form this is  $-x^2 + y^2/4 - z^2 = 1$ . Then for the xy-plane we get  $-x^2 + y^2/4 = 1$ . This is a hyperbola, but notice that  $|y| \ge 2$ , otherwise x would be imaginary. In the xz-plane we get  $x^2 + z^2/2 = 1 - k^2/4$  if we let  $y^2 = k^2 \ge 4$ , which is an ellipse. Finally, on the yz-plane we get  $y^2/4 - z^2/2 = 1$ , which is a hyperbola. So we get a hyperboloid once again, however since it is not connected this will be of two sheets (plot on the right).



Ex: Classify the quadratic surface  $x^2 + 2z^2 - 6x - y + 10 = 0$ .

**Solution:** Notice that this is not in standard form. Everything is fine except the x portion. If we complete the square we get

$$(x-3)^2 + 2z^2 - y + 1 = 0.$$

So, this has a critical point of (3, 1, 0). By looking at the traces: z = 0:  $y = (x - 3)^2$  (parabola), y = k > 1:  $(x - 3)^2 + 2z^2 = k - 1$  (ellipse), and x = 3:  $y = 2z^2 + 1$  (parabola), we see that it is an elliptic paraboloid.

## Section 10.1 Vector functions

A vector valued function is a vector where each component is a function:  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle = f(t)\hat{\mathbf{i}} + g(t)\hat{\mathbf{j}} + h(t)\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ .

Ex: If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t^3, \ln(3-t), \sqrt{t} \rangle$ , then  $f(t) = t^3$ ,  $g(t) = \ln(3-t)$ , and  $h(t) = \sqrt{t}$ . Notice that  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$  for  $f(t), (-\infty, 3)$  for g(t), and  $[0, \infty)$  for h(t). So, the domain is [0, 3).

**Definition 1.** If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$ , then

$$\lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r}(t) = \left\langle \lim_{t \to t_0} f(t), \lim_{t \to t_0} g(t), \lim_{t \to t_0} h(t) \right\rangle \tag{1}$$

provided the limits of the component functions exist.

### Properties of limits

- (1) Sum:  $\lim_{t \to t_0} (\vec{r_1}(t) + \vec{r_2}(t)) = \lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r_1}(t) + \lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r_2}(t).$
- (2) Scalar multiple:  $\lim_{t \to t_0} (f(t)\vec{r}(t)) = (\lim_{t \to t_0} f(t)) (\lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r}(t)).$
- (3) Dot product:  $\lim_{t \to t_0} (\vec{r_1}(t) \cdot \vec{r_2}(t)) = (\lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r_1}(t)) \cdot (\lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r_2}(t)).$
- (4) Cross product:  $\lim_{t \to t_0} (\vec{r_1}(t) \times \vec{r_2}(t)) = (\lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r_1}(t)) \times (\lim_{t \to t_0} \vec{r_2}(t)).$

Ex: Find  $\lim_{t\to 0} \vec{r}(t)$  where  $\vec{r}(t) = (1+t^3)\mathbf{\hat{i}} + te^{-t}\mathbf{\hat{j}} + \sin t/t\mathbf{\hat{k}}$ .

### Solution:

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \vec{r}(t) = \left\langle \lim_{t \to 0} (1 + t^3), \lim_{t \to 0} t e^{-t}, \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\sin t}{t} \right\rangle$$

Just like with limits, we have a definition of continuity.

**Definition 2.** A vector function  $\vec{r}$  is continuous at  $t_0$  if  $\lim_{t\to t_0} \vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}(t_0)$ ; i.e., it is continuous if its components are continuous.

Ex: Describe the curve defined by  $\langle 1 + t, 2 + 5t, -1 + 6t \rangle$ .

**Solution:** Notice that this is just a line through (1, 2, -1) with direction vector (1, 5, 6).

Ex: Sketch the curve for  $\vec{r}(t) = \cos t \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \sin t \hat{\mathbf{j}} + t \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ .

**Solution:** This is a circle in the xy-plane that moves up the z direction; i.e., a helix.

Ex: Find the vector equation and parametric equation of the line through P(1, 3, -2) and Q(2, -1, 3).

**Solution:** The initial point is P(1, 3, -2) and the direction vector is  $\vec{v} = \langle 1, -4, 5 \rangle$ . Then the vector and parametric equations are

$$\vec{r}(t) = \langle 1 + t, 3 - 4t, -2 + 5t \rangle$$
  
$$x = 1 + t, \qquad y = 3 - 4t, \qquad z = -2 + 5t$$



**Solution:** Notice that  $x = \cos t$  and  $y = \sin t$ , since the cylinder is just a circle in the xy-plane. Now we just need a parameterization of z. Since  $z = 2 - y = 2 - \sin t$ . Then

$$\vec{r}(t) = \cos t \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \sin t \hat{\mathbf{j}} + (2 - \sin t) \hat{\mathbf{k}}; 0 \le t \le 2\pi.$$



**Theorem 1.** If  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle f(t), g(t), h(t) \rangle$  and f, g, h are differentiable, then  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle f'(t), g'(t), h'(t) \rangle.$  (2)

What does a derivative represent? In 2-D it is the slope of the tangent, so in 3-D it is the direction vector of the tangent line.

Ex: (a) Find the derivative of  $\vec{r}(t) = (1 + t^3)\mathbf{\hat{i}} + te^{-t}\mathbf{\hat{j}} + \sin(2t)\mathbf{\hat{k}}$ Solution:

$$\vec{r}'(t) = 3t^2 \mathbf{\hat{i}} + (1-t)e^{-t} \mathbf{\hat{j}} + 2\cos(2t)\mathbf{k}.$$

(b) Find the unit tangent vector at the point where t = 0. **Solution:**  $\vec{r}(0) = \hat{\mathbf{i}}$  and  $\vec{r}'(0) = \hat{\mathbf{j}} + 2\hat{\mathbf{k}}$ , so the unit tangent vector at point (1, 0, 0) is



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Ex: For the curve  $\vec{r}(t) = \sqrt{t}\mathbf{\hat{i}} + (2-t)\mathbf{\hat{j}}$ , find  $\vec{r'}(t)$  and sketch the position vector  $\vec{r}(1)$  and the tangent vector  $\vec{r'}(1)$ .

**Solution:**  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 1/2\sqrt{t}, -1 \rangle$ , so  $\vec{r}'(1) = \langle 1/2, -1 \rangle$ . For the sketch, notice that this is a curve on the *xy*-plane and  $y = 2 - x^2$  with  $x \ge 0$ .



**Solution:** We first notice that  $t = \pi/2$ , then  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle -\sin t, \cos t, 1 \rangle$ , and  $\vec{r}'(\pi/2) = \langle -2, 0, 1 \rangle$ . So, the tangent line is the line through point  $(0, 1, \pi/2)$  and parallel to  $\langle -2, 0, 1 \rangle$ ; i.e., the tangent line has the parametric form x = -2t, y = 1, and  $z = \pi/2 + t$ .

Ex: Determine whether  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle 1 + t^3, t^2 \rangle$  is smooth  $(\vec{r'}(t) \neq 0$  and continuous).

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**Solution:** First we take the derivative  $\vec{r}'(t) = \langle 3t^2, 2t \rangle$ , which is zero at t = 0, so it is not smooth as it has a cusp at (1,0). But it is smooth at all other points, and hence is called piecewise smooth.

Ex: Show that if  $\|\vec{r}(t)\| = c$  where c is a constant, then  $\vec{r}'(t)$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}(t)$  for all t.

Solution: Since 
$$\vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) = \|\vec{r}(t)\|^2 = c^2$$
, the derivative is  

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) \right] = \vec{r}'(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) + \vec{r}(t) \cdot \vec{r}'(t) = 2\vec{r}'(t) \cdot \vec{r}(t) = 0.$$

Therefore,  $\vec{r}'(t)$  is orthogonal to  $\vec{r}(t)$ .

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$$\int_{a}^{b} r(\vec{t})dt = \left(\int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt\right)\hat{\imath} + \left(\int_{a}^{b} g(t)dt\right)\hat{\jmath} + \left(\int_{a}^{b} h(t)dt\right)\hat{k}$$
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Ex: If  $\vec{r}(t) = (2\cos t)\mathbf{\hat{i}} + (\sin t)\mathbf{\hat{j}} + (2t)\mathbf{\hat{k}}$ , then

$$\int \vec{r}(t)dt = (2\sin t)\mathbf{\hat{i}} + (-\cos t)\mathbf{\hat{j}} + (t^2)\mathbf{\hat{k}} + C,$$

and

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \vec{r}(t) dt = 2\mathbf{\hat{i}} + \mathbf{\hat{j}} + \frac{\pi^2}{4}\mathbf{\hat{k}}.$$

Recall that all of these concepts are used for particles of motion.

- $\vec{r}(t)$  is the position vector of a moving object,
- $\vec{v} = d\vec{r}/dt$  is the velocity,
- $\|\vec{v}\|$  is the speed,
- $\vec{v}/\|\vec{v}\|$  gives us the direction, and
- $\vec{a} = d\vec{v}/dt = d^2\vec{r}/dt^2$  is the acceleration.

#### 10.4 Curvature

Lets first talk about arc length. What's the formula for the length of a straight line?

 $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_0)^2 + (y_1 - y_0)^2 + (z_1 - z_0)^2}$  for  $x_0 \le x \le x_1$ . We can approximate the length of a curve by using our straight line formula. To get a better approximation we just use more and more points. This gives us a sum

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2 + \Delta z^2}$$

Then taking the limit of this sum gives us the integral  $\int_a^b \sqrt{dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2}$ , however this integral isn't in the form that we are used to. We can't integrate this as is. Lets multiply the integrand by dt/dt to get

$$L = \int_{a}^{b} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{dz}{dt}\right)^{2}} dt = \int_{a}^{b} \sqrt{f'(t)^{2} + g'(t)^{2} + h'(t)^{2}} dt = \int_{a}^{b} \|\vec{r}'(t)\| dt.$$
(4)

Ex: Find the length of the arc  $\vec{r}(t) = (\cos t)\mathbf{\hat{i}} + (\sin t)\mathbf{\hat{j}} + t\mathbf{\hat{k}}$  from point (1, 0, 0) to  $(1, 0, 2\pi)$ .

$$\|\vec{r}'(t)\| = \sqrt{(-\sin t)^2 + (\cos t)^2 + 1} = \sqrt{2}$$
$$\Rightarrow L = \int_0^{2\pi} \|\vec{r}'(t)\| dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{2} dt = 2\sqrt{2}\pi.$$