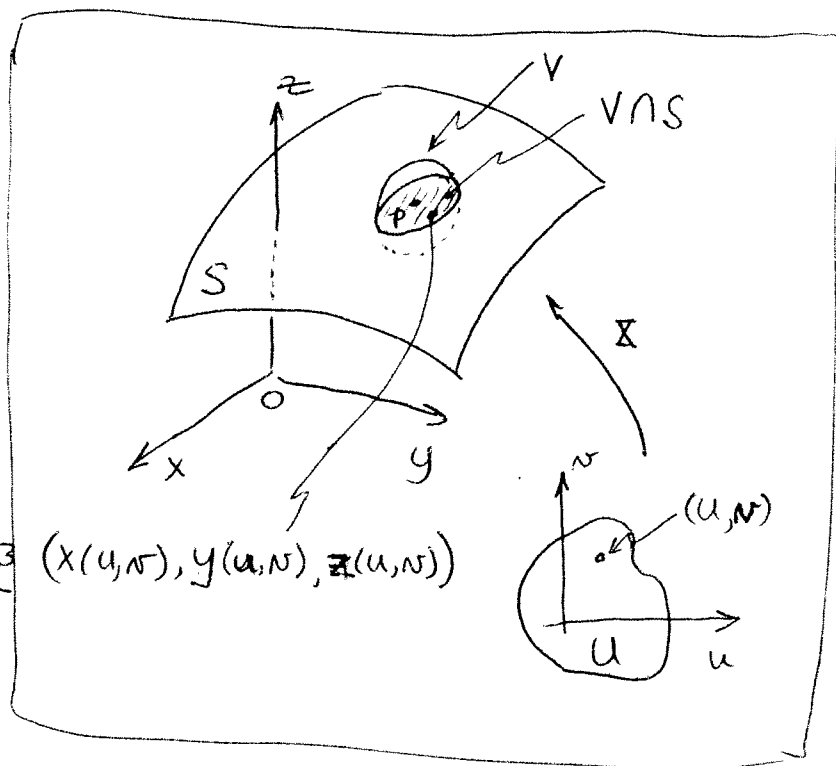


2-2 Regular Surfaces; ~~and~~ Inverse Images of Regular Values

Crudely speaking, a regular surface is formed by taking planar patches, deforming them, and knitting them together such that there are no corners ~~or~~ edges.

DEF 1: A subset  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is a regular surface if, for each  $p \in S$ ,  $\exists$  a neighborhood  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  and a map  $\mathbb{X}: U \rightarrow V \cap S$  of an open set  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  onto  $V \cap S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  such that:



1.  $\mathbb{X}$  is differentiable.

$$\text{i.e. } \mathbb{X}(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v)) \quad (u, v) \in U$$

The functions  $x, y, z$  have continuous partial derivatives of all orders in  $U$

2.  $\mathbb{X}$  is a homeomorphism.

Since  $\mathbb{X}$  is continuous,  $\mathbb{X}^{-1}: V \cap S \rightarrow U$  which is continuous



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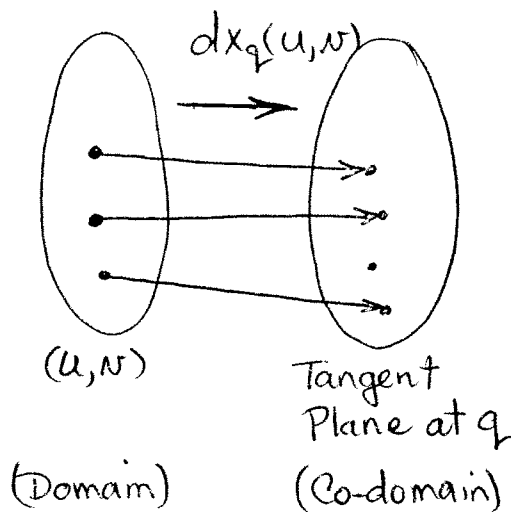
DEF Coordinate curve: a curve on  $S$  defined by  $\mathbf{x}(u, v)$  holding  $u$  or  $v$  constant while the other varies.

Returning to condition 3, the differential map must be 1-1.

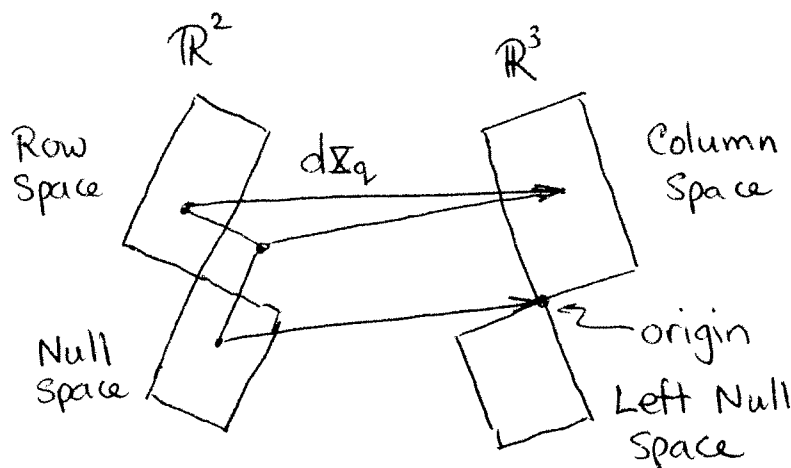
i.e. for every point in the co-domain, there is at most one point in the domain.

i.e. distinct argument yield distinct results

i.e. the map is injective



$d\mathbf{x}_q$  is a linear map of dimension  $(3 \times 2)$ .



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This is not injective.

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$d\mathbb{R}_q$  is 1-1 iff NullSpace( $d\mathbb{R}_q$ ) is zero dimensional

In other words the rank of  $d\mathbb{R}_q$  must be 2.

⇒ At least 1  $2 \times 2$  determinant of  $d\mathbb{R}_q$  must be nonzero

⇒  $\frac{\partial \mathbb{R}}{\partial u} \wedge \frac{\partial \mathbb{R}}{\partial v} \neq 0$

⇒  $\frac{\partial \mathbb{R}}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial \mathbb{R}}{\partial v}$  are linearly independent

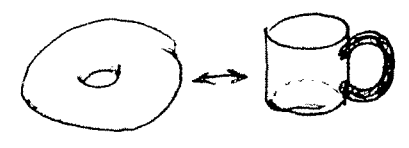
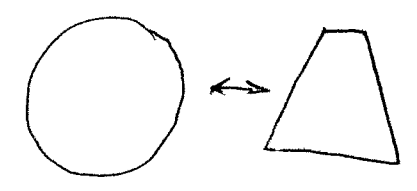
⇒ span of columns of  $d\mathbb{R}_q$  is a plane

Condition 2 -  $\mathbb{R}$  is a homeomorphism (or topological isomorphism)  
homeos = identical  
morphie = shape

A geometric object is homeomorphic to another geometric object if one can be made from the other by continuous stretching and bending.

A function  $f$  between two topological spaces  $X$  &  $Y$  is a homeomorphism if it satisfies:

- $f$  is 1-1 and onto (bijection)
- $f$  is continuous
- $f^{-1}$  is continuous



$(1, 1) \leftrightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$

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Insights:

Condition 1 - we need differentiability to study  $S$  from perspective of differential geometry.

Condition 2 - essential to proving that certain objects properties defined by parameterization do NOT depend on the specific parameterization, but on  $S$  only.

Condition 3 - guarantees existence of a tangent plane at every point on  $S$ .

Example: Let  $S^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1\} \leftarrow$  unit sphere

Is the unit sphere a regular surface?

$$\mathbb{R}_1: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

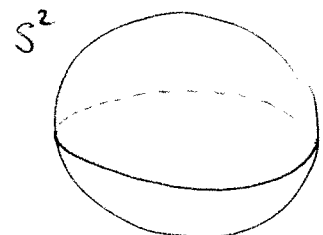
$$\mathbb{R}_1(x, y) = (x, y, \sqrt{1 - (x^2 + y^2)}) \quad (x, y) \in U$$

$$\text{where } \mathbb{R}^2 = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid z = 0\}$$

$$U = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$$

verify that  $\mathbb{R}_1$  is a parametrization of  $S^2$

Note that  $\mathbb{R}_1(U)$  is the upper open hemisphere.



Condition 1

Clearly  $x, y, \sqrt{1-(x^2+y^2)}$  are all differentiable to all orders on  $U$

Condition 3

$$d\mathbb{X}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial v} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d\mathbb{X}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ (\cdot) & (\cdot) \end{pmatrix}$$

$\therefore d\mathbb{X}_1$  is 1-1 & Cond. 3 is satisfied

Note that  $d\mathbb{X}_1(e_1)$

and  $d\mathbb{X}_1(e_2)$  are

not necessarily orthogonal

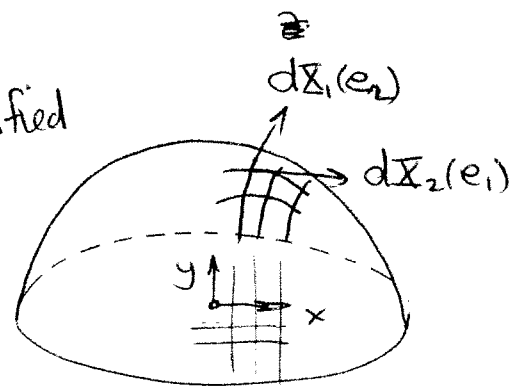
From def of  $U$ , we see  $u$  plays roll of  $x$

$v$  " " "  $y$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} = 1$$

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial y} = 1$$

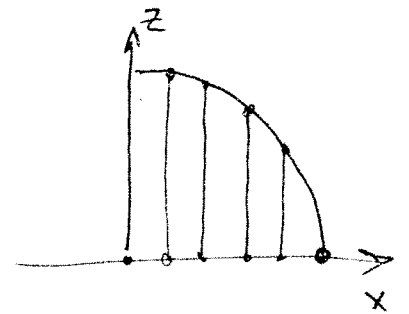


Condition 2

Clearly the map  $\mathbb{X}_1$  is 1-1 and onto.

Is  $\mathbb{X}_1$  continuous? Yes

Is  $\mathbb{X}_1^{-1}$  continuous? Yes



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We can cover the entire sphere with similar parametrizations, but to cover whole

sphere we need 6 overlapping parametrizations.

$$\mathbb{R}_2(x, y) = (x, y, -\sqrt{1 - (x^2 + y^2)})$$

$$\mathbb{R}_3(x, z) = (x, \sqrt{1 - (x^2 + z^2)}, z)$$

⋮

$$\mathbb{R}_6(y, z) = (-\sqrt{1 - (y^2 + z^2)}, y, z)$$

Determining if a given subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a regular surface directly from the definition is laborious. The following 4 propositions simplify this task.

Proposition 1 If  $f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable function in an open set  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , then the graph of  $f$ ,  $(x, y, f(x, y))$ , for  $(x, y) \in U$  is a regular surface.

DEF 2: Given a differentiable map  $F: U \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  defined in an open set  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $p$  is a critical point of  $F$  if  $dF_p: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is not surjective (onto). The image  $F(p) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  of a critical point is called a critical value of  $F$ . All other points in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  are regular values of  $F$ .

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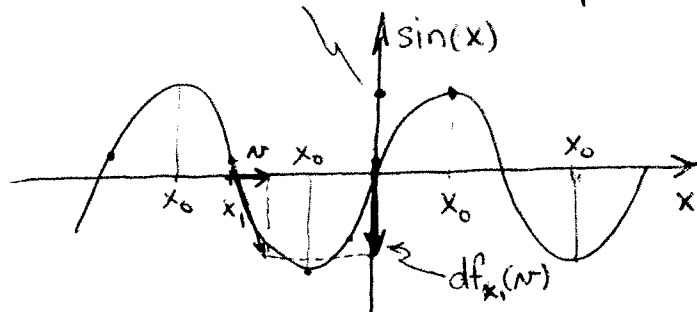
Example:  $f(x) = \sin(x) : U \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 

$$df_{x_0}(v) = 0 \quad \textcircled{8}$$

$$f(x_0) = 1 \quad 3:00 \text{ pm}$$

$$U = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$f'(x) = \cos(x)$$



$f'(x_0) = \cos(x_0) = 0 \Rightarrow x_0$  is a critical point of the map.

The critical points of  $\sin(x)$  are:  $x_0 = (2\rho - 1)\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \rho \in \mathbb{Z}$

The critical values of the map are:  $\pm 1$

The regular values of the map are:  $(-\infty, -1), (-1, 1), (1, \infty)$

$df_{x_0}(v)$  carries all vectors  $v \in \mathbb{R}$  to the zero vector.

Note that the differential map from  $\mathbb{R}^1$  to  $\mathbb{R}^1$  is simply a scaling.

If  $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable function, then

$df_p$  applied to the vector  $(1, 0, 0)$  is the tangent at  $f(p)$  to the curve  $x \rightarrow f(x, y_0, z_0)$

It follows that  $df_p$  in the basis  $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$  is

$$df_p = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right)$$

In this case,  $df_p$  is not surjective.

Equivalently  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$  are not simultaneously 0.

Punch line:  $a \in f(U)$  is a regular value of  $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  iff  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$  do not vanish simultaneously at any point in the inverse image  $f^{-1}(a)$ .

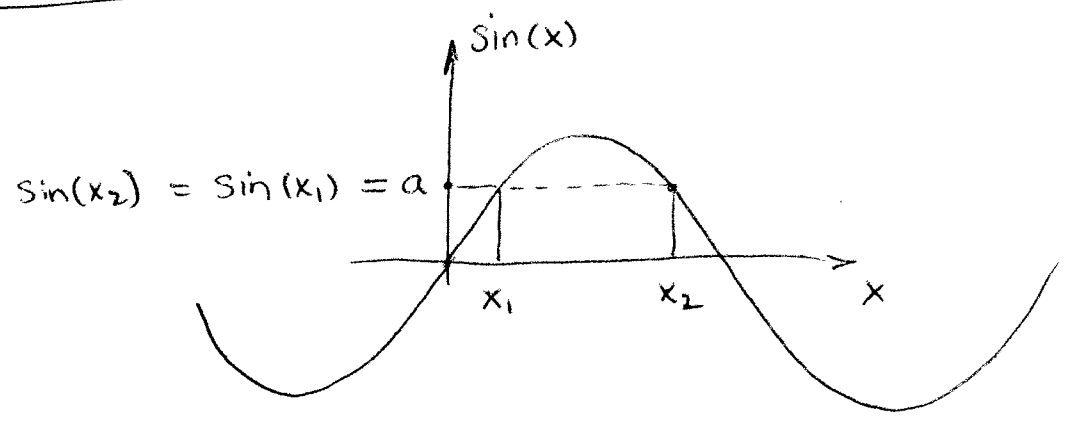


Image of  $x_1 = \sin(x_1) = a$

Inverse image of  $a = \{x_1 + p2\pi, x_2 + p2\pi\}, p \in \mathbb{Z}$

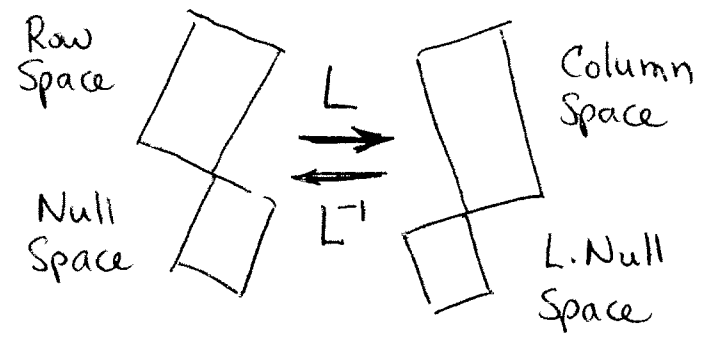
$a$  is a regular value since  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \neq 0 \forall x = f^{-1}(a)$ .

Linear maps

$L$  is 1-1 if  $\text{Null Sp.} = 0$   
(injective)

$L$  is onto if  $L \cdot \text{Null Sp.} = 0$   
(surjective)

$L$  is 1-1 & onto if  $N.S.p \neq L.N.S.p = 0$   
(bijective).



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## Proposition 2.

If  $f: U \subset \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable fcn and  $a \in f(U)$  is a regular value of  $f$ , then  $f^{-1}(a)$  is a regular surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Example: Ellipsoid:  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$  is a reg. surface.

This ellipsoid is the inverse image of 0 where  $f$  is given as:

$$f(x,y,z) = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} - 1.$$

That is, the ellipsoid is defined as  $f^{-1}(0)$ .

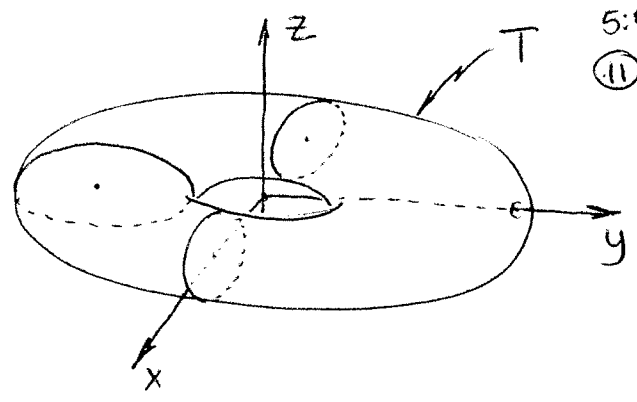
Assuming  $a, b, c, \neq 0$ , we have

$$df = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2x}{a^2} \\ \frac{2y}{b^2} \\ \frac{2z}{c^2} \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{This equals } \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ iff } x=y=z=0.$$

Since  $(0,0,0)$  is not on the ellipsoid, all points ~~are~~ on the ellipsoid are regular and hence the ellipsoid is a regular surface.

Example: Torus, T

Generate by rotating a circle of radius r about the z-axis.



Let S' be circle in yz-plane with center (0, a, 0) a > r.

S' is given by  $(y-a)^2 + z^2 = r^2$

T is given by  $z^2 = r^2 - (\sqrt{x^2+y^2} - a)^2$

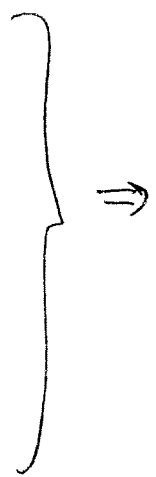
∴ T is the inverse image of r^2 by the function

$$f(x,y,z) = z^2 + (\sqrt{x^2+y^2} - a)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{2x(\sqrt{x^2+y^2} - a)}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{2y(\cdot)}{\sqrt{\cdot}}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = 2z$$



f is differentiable except for the z-axis (x=y=0). ∴ the z-axis is the set of critical points of f. Since r^2 is a regular value of f, T is a regular surface.

Recall that r^2 is a regular value of f, because  $f^{-1}(r^2) = T$  and  $T \cap z\text{-axis} = \emptyset$

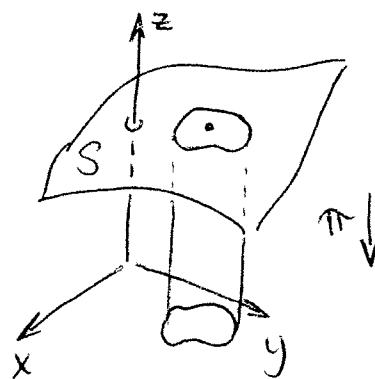
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Proposition 3: Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be a regular surface and  $p \in S$ . Then  $\exists$  a nbhd  $V$  of  $p$  in  $S \ni V$  is the graph of a differentiable fcn which has one of the following three forms:  
 $z = f(x, y)$ ,  $y = g(x, z)$ ,  $x = h(y, z)$ .

Roughly speaking, prop. 3 says that any patch ~~on~~  $S$  (small enough) on  $S$  can be parametrized by two of the 3 canonical basis coordinates.



Proposition 4: Let  $p \in S$  be a point on a regular surface  $S$  and let  $\mathfrak{X}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a map with  $p \in \mathfrak{X}(U) \ni$  conditions 1 & 3 of Definition 1 hold. Assume that  $\mathfrak{X}$  is one-to-one. Then  $\mathfrak{X}^{-1}$  is continuous.

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Example: One-sheeted Cone,  $C$ ,

$$z = +\sqrt{x^2+y^2}, \quad (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

is not a regular surface.

Why?

The natural parameterization,  $(x,y) \xrightarrow{z} (x,y, +\sqrt{x^2+y^2})$

is not differentiable at  $(x,y) = (0,0)$  since

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \Big|_{(0,0)} = \text{undefined}$$

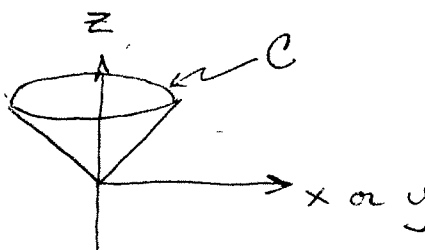
$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \Big|_{(0,0)} = \text{undefined}$$

However this fact is not sufficient to conclude that the cone is not a regular surface, since there may be some other parametrization that is differentiable.

Use Prop 3. Assume  $C$  is a regular surface. Then

At  $(0,0,0) \in C$ ,  $C$  must be the graph of a differentiable function,  $z = f(x,y)$ ,  $x = g(y,z)$ , or  $y = h(x,z)$ .

consider  $\left. \begin{array}{l} x = g(y,z) \\ y = h(x,z) \end{array} \right\}$  Not 1-1,  
so  $g \neq h$   
cannot be functions.



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The remaining form,  $z = f(x, y)$ ,  
 would have to agree with  $z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$   
 in the neighborhood of  $(0, 0, 0)$ . Since  $z$  is not  
 differentiable, no function  $z = f(x, y)$  exist!

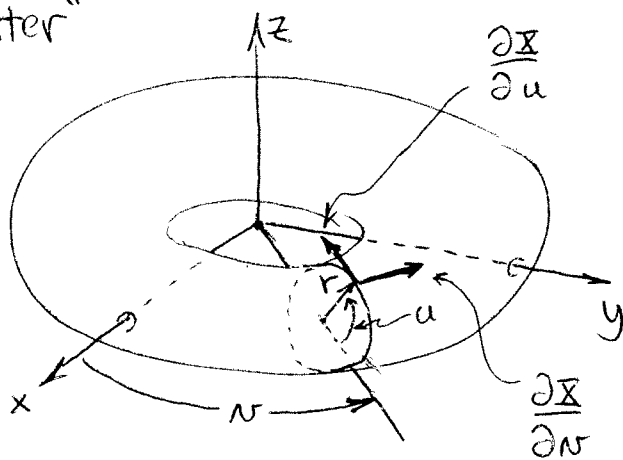
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Example A parametrization of the torus  $T$  is :

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = ((r \cos(u) + a) \cos(v), (r \cos(u) + a) \sin(v), r \sin(u))$$

$$U = \{0 < u < 2\pi, 0 < v < 2\pi\}$$

$a$  = radius of "center"  
of torus



DEF 1; COND 1

$x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v)$

must be differentiable to  
all orders. This is obvious

DEF 1; COND 3

This can be checked algebraically, but I will use a geometric  
argument. We must have that  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u} \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v} \neq 0$ , and

$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u} \wedge \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v} \neq 0$ . Equivalently,  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v}$  may never be parallel  
or have zero magnitude. See figure.

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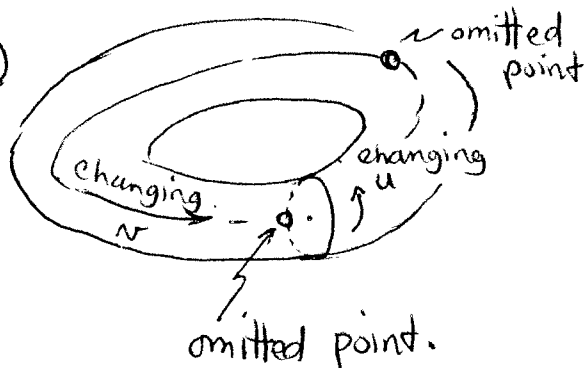
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Finally we must show that  $\mathbb{X}$  is one-to-one.

This can be done algebraically, but is also clear from geometric arguments.

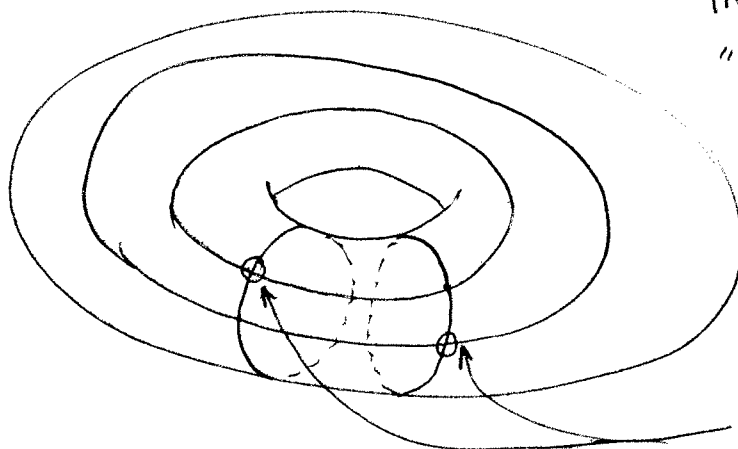
$$\mathbb{X}(u, v) = ( \cdot , \cdot , \cdot )$$

$$u \begin{cases} 0 < u < 2\pi \rightarrow \mathbb{X}(u, v_0) \\ 0 < v < 2\pi \rightarrow \mathbb{X}(u_0, v) \end{cases}$$



$$\mathbb{X}(U) = T - S' - S'$$

Claim T can be covered by 3 parametrization similar to that above.



Shift  $v \in u$  intervals so that "uncovered" circles do not coincide.

Two uncovered points remain.

One more shifted parametrization will cover those points.