

### Lecture No-3 Elements of three dimensional geometry

#### Distance formula in three dimension

Let  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $Q(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  be two points such that  $PQ$  is not parallel to one of the coordinate axis Then  $PQ = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$  Which is known as Distance formula between the points P and Q.

#### Example of distance formula

Let us consider the points  $A(3, 2, 4)$ ,  $B(6, 10, -1)$ , and  $C(9, 4, 1)$

Then

$$|AB| = \sqrt{(6-3)^2 + (10-2)^2 + (-1-4)^2} = \sqrt{98} = 7\sqrt{2}$$

$$|AC| = \sqrt{(9-3)^2 + (4-2)^2 + (1-4)^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$|BC| = \sqrt{(9-6)^2 + (4-10)^2 + (1+1)^2} = \sqrt{49} = 7$$

#### Mid point of two points

If R is the middle point of the line segment PQ, then the co-ordinates of the middle points are

$$x = (x_1 + x_2)/2,$$

$$y = (y_1 + y_2)/2,$$

$$z = (z_1 + z_2)/2$$

Let us consider two points  $A(3, 2, 4)$  and  $B(6, 10, -1)$

Then the co-ordinates of mid point of AB is

$$[(3+6)/2, (2+10)/2, (4-1)/2]$$

$$= (9/2, 6, 3/2)$$

#### Direction Angles

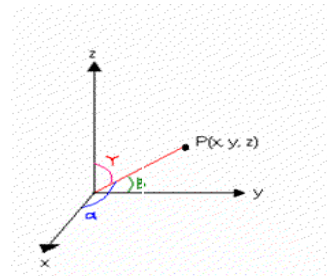
The direction angles  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  of a line are defined as

$\alpha$  = Angle between line and the positive x-axis

$\beta$  = Angle between line and the positive y-axis

$\gamma$  = Angle between line and the positive z-axis.

By definition, each of these angles lies between 0 and  $\pi$



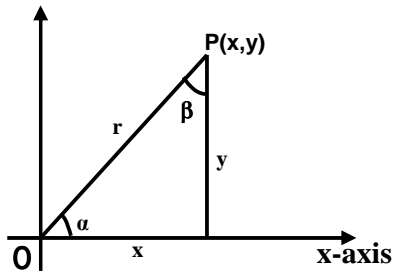
#### Direction Ratios

Cosines of direction angles are called direction cosines

Any multiple of direction cosines are called direction numbers or direction ratios of the line L.

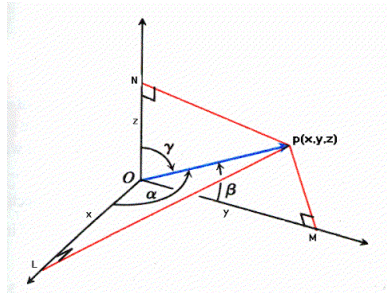
#### Given a point, finding its Direction cosines

y-axis



From triangle we  
can write  
 $\cos \alpha = x/r$   
 $\cos \beta = y/r$

### Direction angles of a Line



The angles which a line makes with positive x, y and z-axis are known as Direction Angles. In the above figure the blue line has direction angles as  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  which are the angles which blue line makes with x, y and z-axis respectively.

### Direction cosines:

Now if we take the cosine of the Direction Angles of a line then we get the Direction cosines of that line. So the Direction Cosines of the above line are given by

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{x}{OP} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{y}{OP} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

Similarly,

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{z}{OP} = \frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$$

$$\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma = 1.$$

### Direction cosines and direction ratios of a line joining two points

•For a line joining two points  $P(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $Q(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  the direction ratios are

$x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, z_2 - z_1$  and the directions cosines are  $\frac{x_2 - x_1}{|PQ|}, \frac{y_2 - y_1}{|PQ|}$  and  $\frac{z_2 - z_1}{|PQ|}$ .

**Example** \_\_\_\_\_ For a line joining two points P(1,3,2) and Q(7,-2,3) the direction ratios are

$$7 - 1, -2 - 3, 3 - 2$$

$$6, -5, 1$$

and the directions cosines are

$$\frac{6}{\sqrt{62}}, -\frac{5}{\sqrt{62}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{62}}$$

In two dimensional space the graph of an equation relating the variables  $x$  and  $y$  is the set of all point  $(x, y)$  whose co-ordinates satisfy the equation. Usually, such graphs are curves.

In three dimensional space the graph of an equation relating the variables  $x, y$

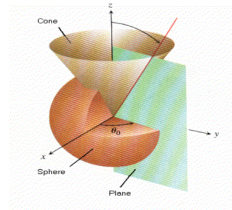
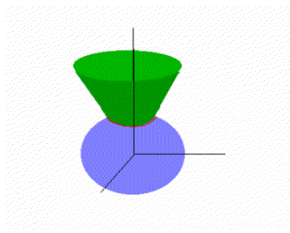
and  $z$  is the set of all point  $(x, y, z)$  whose co-ordinates satisfy the equation.

Usually, such graphs are surfaces.

### Intersection of two surfaces

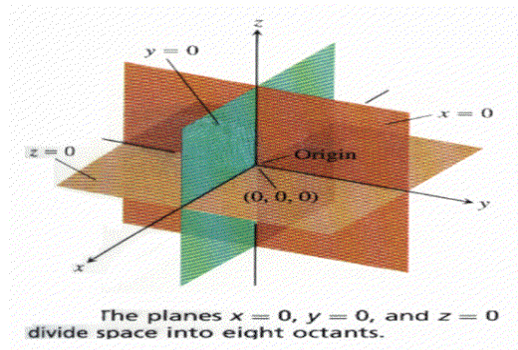
- Intersection of two surfaces is a curve in three dimensional space.
- It is the reason that a curve in three dimensional space is represented by two equations representing the intersecting surfaces.

### Intersection of Cone and Sphere



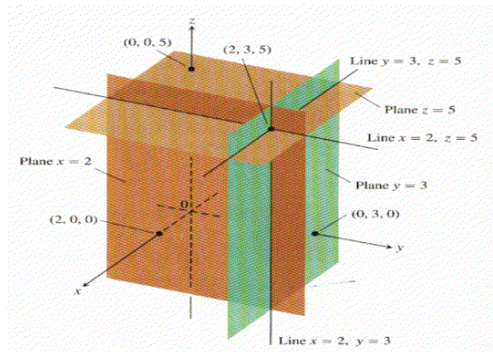
### Intersection of Two Planes

If the two planes are not parallel, then they intersect and their intersection is a straight line. Thus, two non-parallel planes represent a straight line given by two simultaneous linear equations in  $x, y$  and  $z$  and are known as non-symmetric form of equations of a straight line.



REGION	DESCRIPTION	EQUATION
xy-plane	Consists of all points of the form $(x, y, 0)$	$z = 0$
xz-plane	Consists of all points of the form $(x, 0, z)$	$y = 0$
yz-plane	Consists of all points of the form $(0, y, z)$	$x = 0$
x-axis	Consists of all points of the form $(x, 0, 0)$	$y = 0, z = 0$
y-axis	Consists of all points of the form $(0, y, 0)$	$z = 0, x = 0$
z-axis	Consists of all points of the form $(0, 0, z)$	$x = 0, y = 0$

### Planes parallel to Co-ordinate Planes



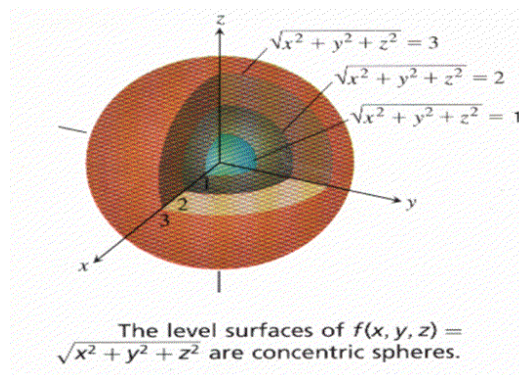
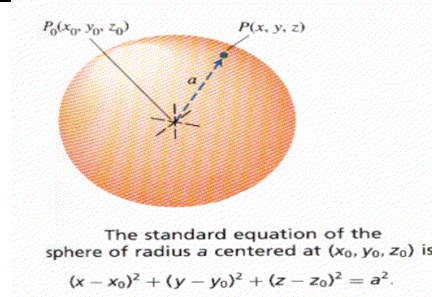
### General Equation of Plane

Any equation of the form

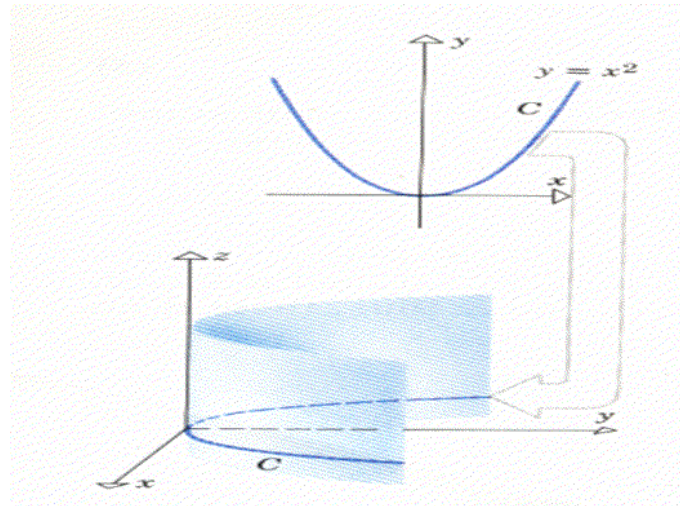
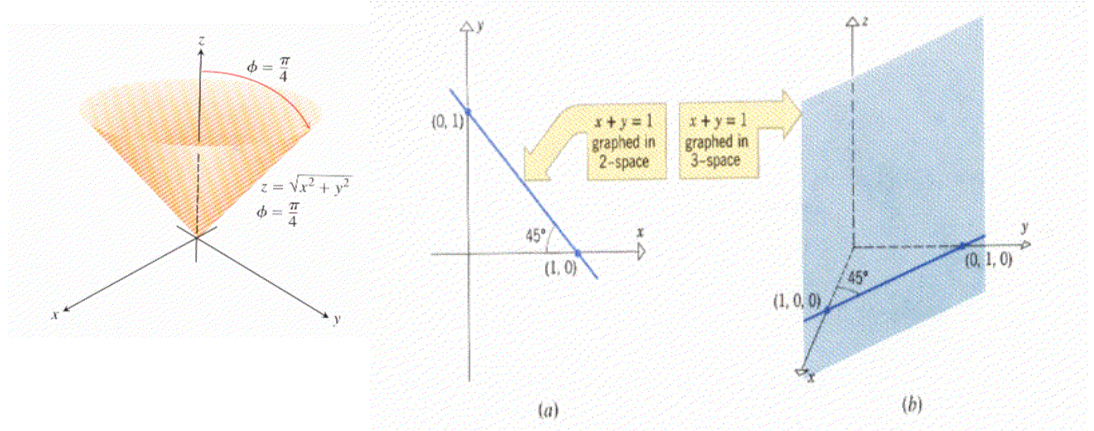
$$ax + by + cz + d = 0$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are real numbers, represent a plane.

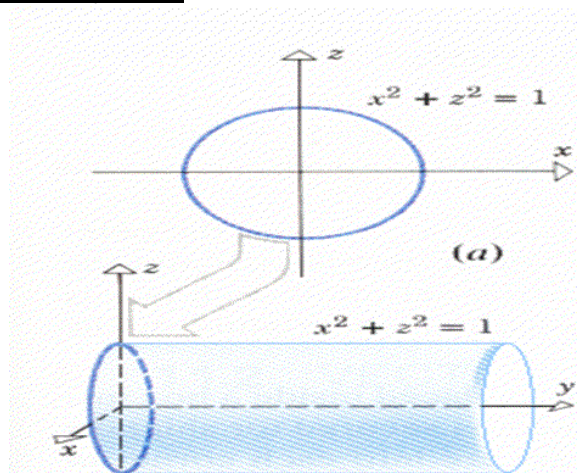
### Sphere



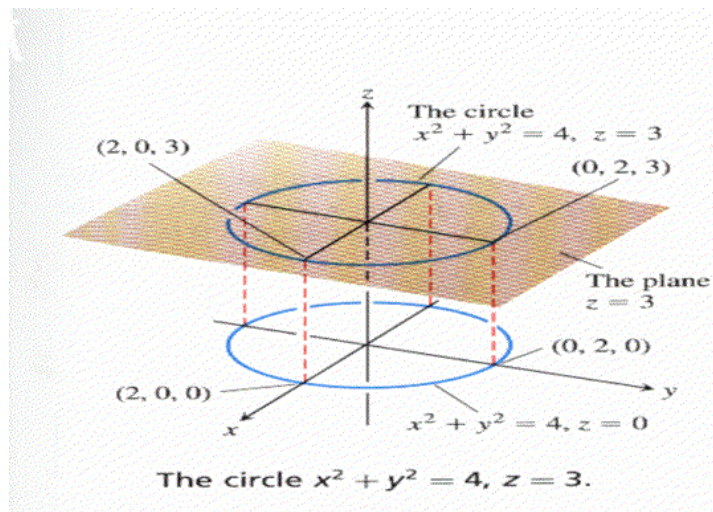
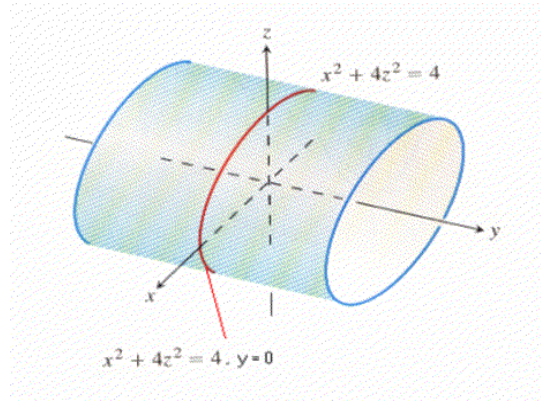
**Right Circular Cone**



**Horizontal Circular Cylinder**



### Horizontal Elliptic Cylinder



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