

is not a regular surface. Observe that we cannot conclude this from the fact alone that the “natural” parametrization

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x, y, +\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})$$

is not differentiable; there could be other parametrizations satisfying Def. 1.

To show that this is not the case, we use Prop. 3. If  $C$  were a regular surface, it would be, in a neighborhood of  $(0, 0, 0) \in C$ , the graph of a differentiable function having one of three forms:  $y = h(x, z)$ ,  $x = g(y, z)$ ,  $z = f(x, y)$ . The two first forms can be discarded by the simple fact that the projections of  $C$  over the  $xz$  and  $yz$  planes are not one-to-one. The last form would have to agree, in a neighborhood of  $(0, 0, 0)$ , with  $z = +\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ . Since  $z = +\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  is not differentiable at  $(0, 0)$ , this is impossible.

**Example 6.** A parametrization for the torus  $T$  of Example 4 can be given by (Fig. 2-9)

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

where  $0 < u < 2\pi$ ,  $0 < v < 2\pi$ .

Condition 1 of Def. 1 is easily checked, and condition 3 reduces to a straightforward computation, which is left as an exercise. Since we know that  $T$  is a regular surface, condition 2 is equivalent, by Prop. 4, to the fact that  $\mathbf{x}$  is one-to-one.

To prove that  $\mathbf{x}$  is one-to-one, we first observe that  $\sin u = z/r$ ; also, if  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq a$ , then  $\pi/2 \leq u \leq 3\pi/2$ , and if  $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \geq a$ , then either  $0 < u \leq \pi/2$  or  $3\pi/2 \leq u < 2\pi$ . Thus, given  $(x, y, z)$ , this determines  $u$ ,  $0 < u < 2\pi$ , uniquely. By knowing  $u$ ,  $x$ , and  $y$  we find  $\cos v$  and  $\sin v$ . This determines  $v$  uniquely,  $0 < v < 2\pi$ . Thus,  $\mathbf{x}$  is one-to-one.

It is easy to see that the torus can be covered by three such coordinate neighborhoods.

## EXERCISES<sup>†</sup>

1. Show that the cylinder  $\{(x, y, z) \in R^3; x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$  is a regular surface, and find parametrizations whose coordinate neighborhoods cover it.
2. Is the set  $\{(x, y, z) \in R^3; z = 0 \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$  a regular surface? Is the set  $\{(x, y, z) \in R^3; z = 0, \text{ and } x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$  a regular surface?
3. Show that the two-sheeted cone, with its vertex at the origin, that is, the set  $\{(x, y, z) \in R^3; x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 0\}$ , is not a regular surface.

<sup>†</sup>Those who have omitted the proofs in this section should also omit Exercises 17–19.

4. Let  $f(x, y, z) = z^2$ . Prove that 0 is not a regular value of  $f$  and yet that  $f^{-1}(0)$  is a regular surface.
- \*5. Let  $P = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3; x = y\}$  (a plane) and let  $\mathbf{x}: U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be given by

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (u + v, u + v, uv),$$

where  $U = \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2; u > v\}$ . Clearly,  $\mathbf{x}(U) \subset P$ . Is  $\mathbf{x}$  a parametrization of  $P$ ?

6. Give another proof of Prop. 1 by applying Prop. 2 to  $h(x, y, z) = f(x, y) - z$ .
7. Let  $f(x, y, z) = (x + y + z - 1)^2$ .
- Locate the critical points and critical values of  $f$ .
  - For what values of  $c$  is the set  $f(x, y, z) = c$  a regular surface?
  - Answer the questions of parts a and b for the function  $f(x, y, z) = xyz^2$ .
8. Let  $\mathbf{x}(u, v)$  be as in Def. 1. Verify that  $d\mathbf{x}_q: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is one-to-one if and only if

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u} \wedge \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v} \neq 0.$$

9. Let  $V$  be an open set in the  $xy$  plane. Show that the set

$$\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3; z = 0 \text{ and } (x, y) \in V\}$$

is a regular surface.

10. Let  $C$  be a figure "8" in the  $xy$  plane and let  $S$  be the cylindrical surface over  $C$  (Fig. 2-11); that is,

$$S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3; (x, y) \in C\}.$$

Is the set  $S$  a regular surface?

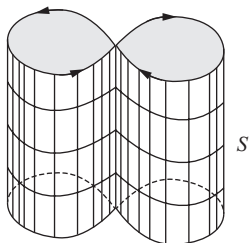


Figure 2-11