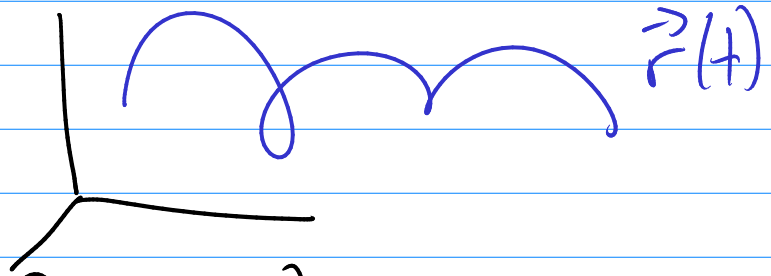


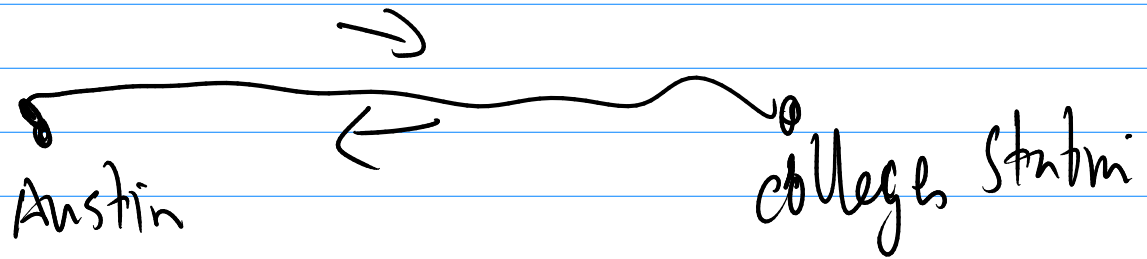
Arc length $\vec{r}(t) = \langle x(t), y(t), z(t) \rangle$



Arc length = $\int (\text{speed}) dt$

$$L = \int_a^b \|\vec{r}'(t)\| dt$$

$$\|\vec{r}'(t)\| = \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2 + [z'(t)]^2}$$



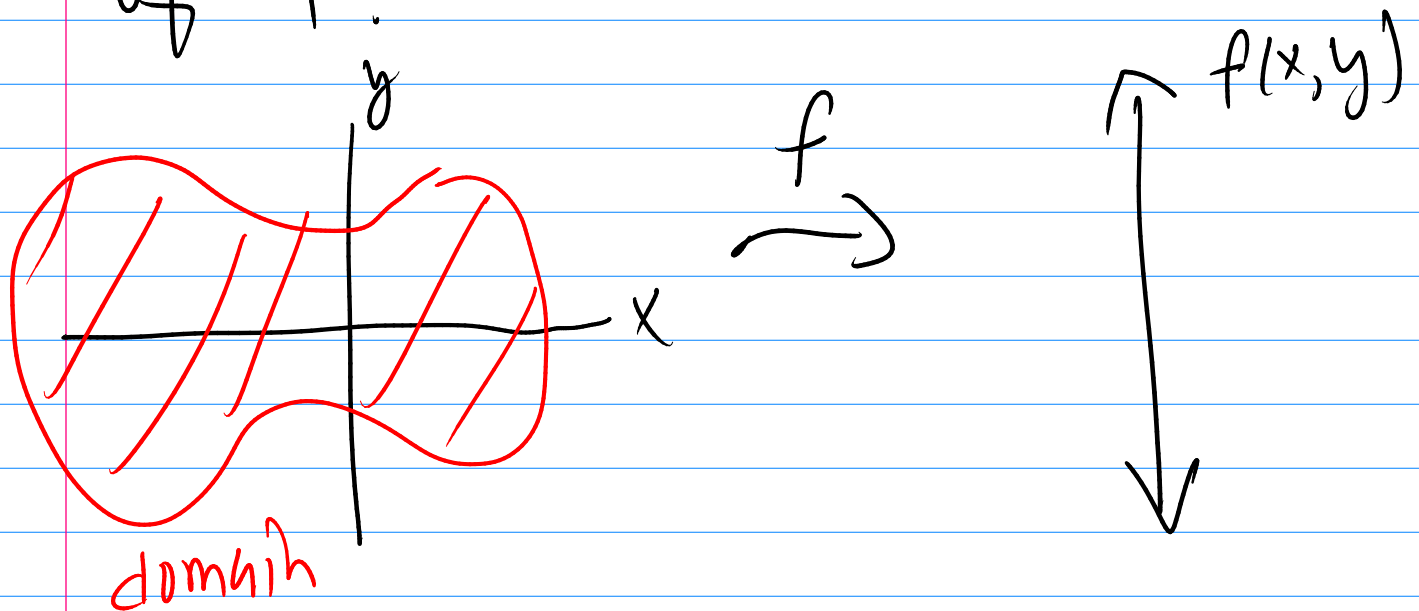
Arc length = 2 · distance

$$\int_{\text{start}}^{\text{end}} \vec{r}'(t) dt = 0 \quad \text{start and end in same place}$$

Arc length = difference in odometer reading

Functions of several variables (mostly 2 variables)

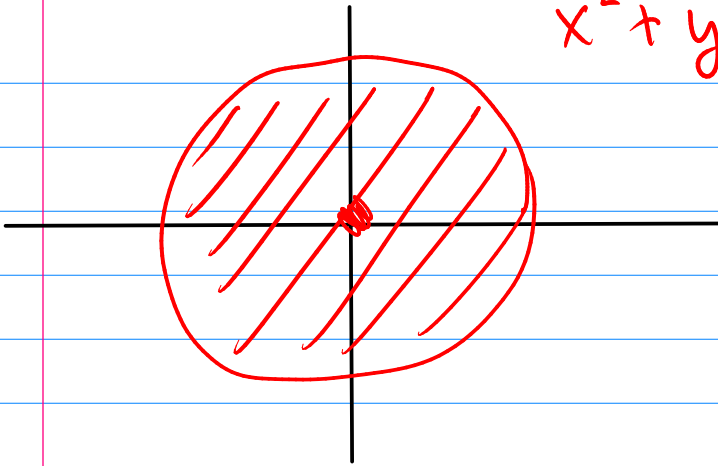
$f(x,y)$ assigns a real number to each pair (x,y) in a subset of the xy -plane, namely **the domain** of f .



Q: What is the natural domain of
 $f(x,y) = \sqrt{1-x^2-y^2}$ square root
needs $1-x^2-y^2 \geq 0$

$1-x^2-y^2 \geq 0$ defines the domain

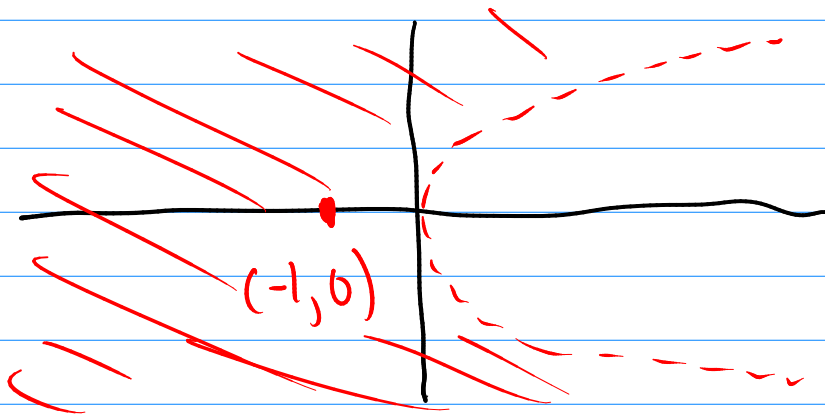
$$x^2 + y^2 < 1$$



Natural domain of $f(x,y) = x \ln(y^2 - x)$

$\ln(y^2 - x)$ need $y^2 - x > 0$

$$y^2 > x$$



Natural
domain

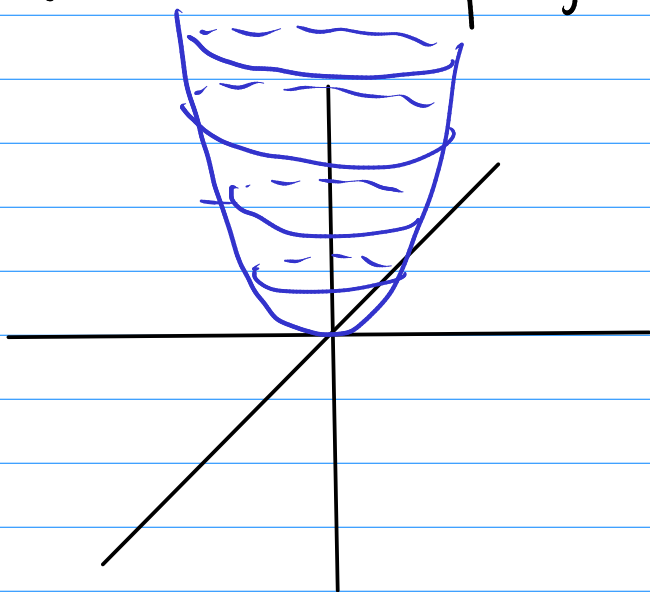
Graphs function $f(x, y)$

"new" variable z , look at $\{z = f(x, y)\}$

which is a subset of 3-dimensional space.

Ex $f(x, y) = x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4}$ Domain: (anything)

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

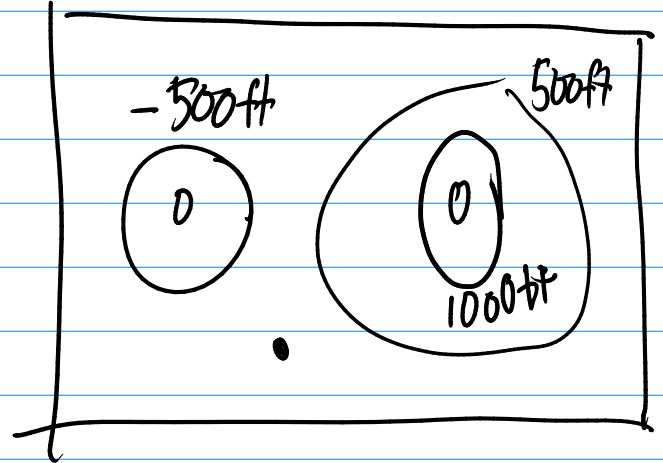
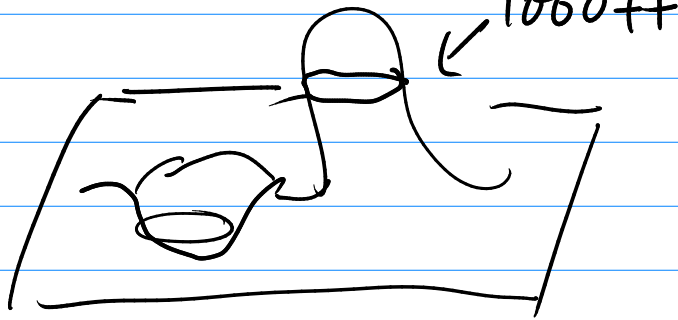


Topography: elevation = $f(x, y)$

x, y are latitude
and longitude

Topographical map

z ↑

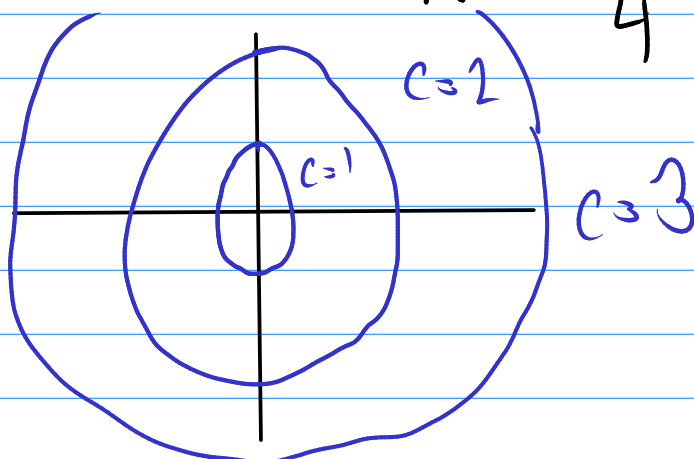


Level set, or contour plot

Level set = $\{f(x,y) = c\}$ for some constant c (c is called the level)

$$f(x,y) = x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4}$$

level set $x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = c$ (ellipse)



$c = -1$
 $\{x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = -1\}$
is empty

3 variables: $f(x, y, z)$

domain is now a subset of 3-dimensional space

$$f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2}$$

$$1 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2 \geq 0$$

$$1 \geq x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \quad \text{solid sphere}$$

graph is the solution set of $\{w = f(x, y, z)\}$ in 4-dimensions

level sets $\{f(x, y, z) = c\}$

for some constant c

is a surface in 3-dimensions

$$\sqrt{1 - x^2 - y^2 - z^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{sphere}$$

Limits of 2-variable functions.

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \lim_{(x, y) \rightarrow (0, 0)} f(x, y)$$

TRY: Take $x \rightarrow 0$, then take $y \rightarrow 0$

$$x \rightarrow 0 \text{ get } \frac{-y^2}{y^2} = -1, \quad y \rightarrow 0 \text{ get } -1$$

TRY Take $y \rightarrow 0$, then take $x \rightarrow 0$

$$y \rightarrow 0 \text{ get } \frac{x^2}{x^2} = 1, \quad x \rightarrow 0 \text{ get } 1$$

$-1 \neq 1$ get different answers.

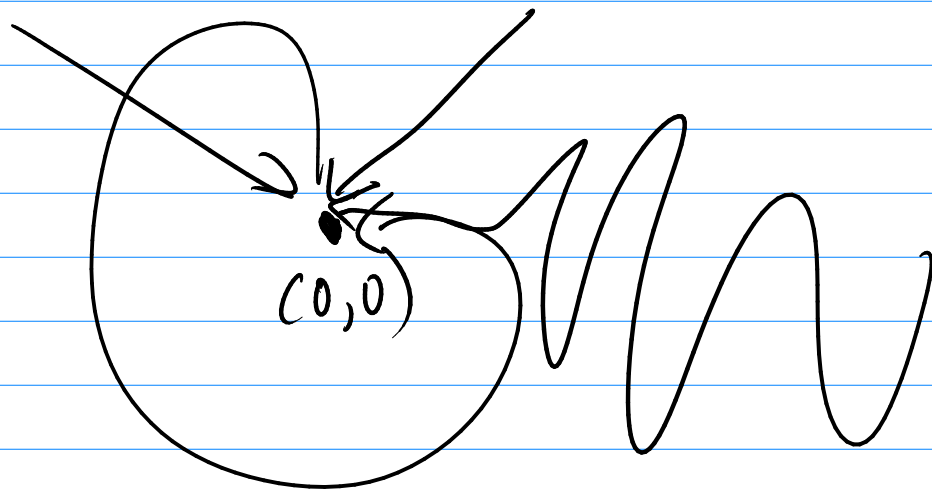
In fact we can take the limit of $f(x, y)$ along any curve going through $(0, 0)$

Parametric
Curve

$(x(t), y(t))$

such that $(x(0), y(0)) = (0, 0)$

look at $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} f(x(t), y(t))$



Can take the limit along any of
these paths

Def $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} f(x,y) = L$ means that
any path exists, and is equal
to a single number L .

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$$

Does not exist

A function $f(x,y)$ is continuous
iff $\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (a,b)} f(x,y) = f(a,b)$