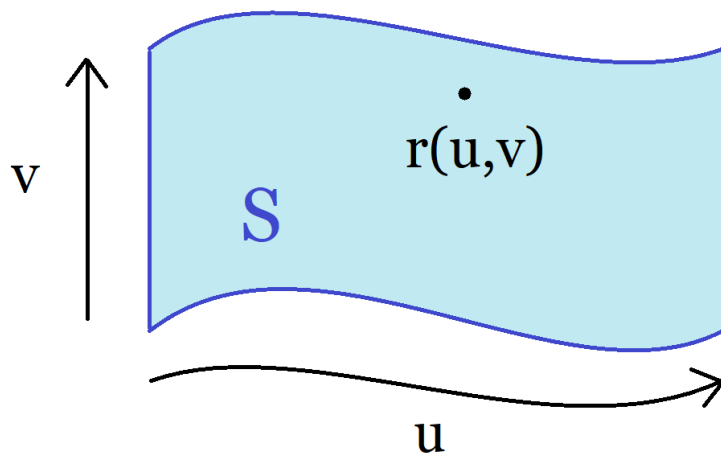


LECTURE 17: PARAMETRIC SURFACES (I)

1. EXAMPLES

The goal for the rest of the course is to generalize everything that we know about line integrals to surfaces.

Today's Goal: How to parametrize a surface S ?

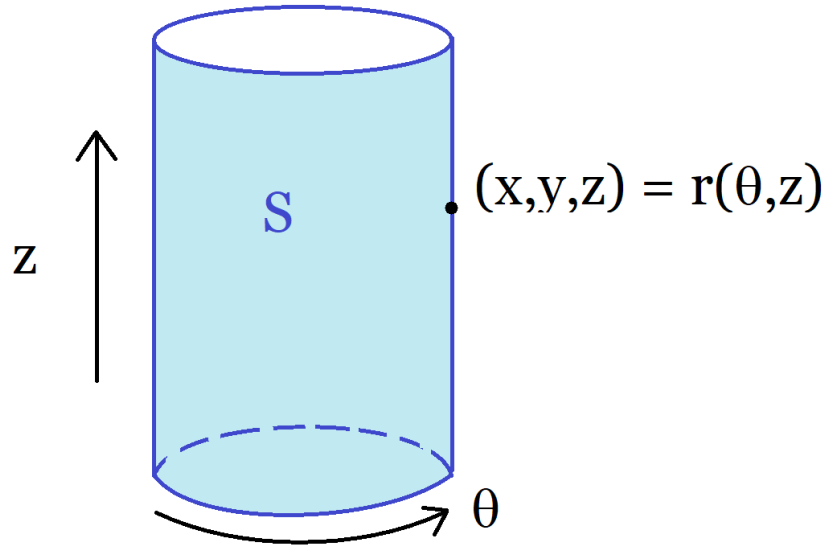


Since S is 2-dimensional, we need 2 parameters u and v . The analog of $r(t)$ is then $r(u, v)$.

Example 1

Parametrize the cylinder $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

It's just cylindrical coordinates with $r = 2$



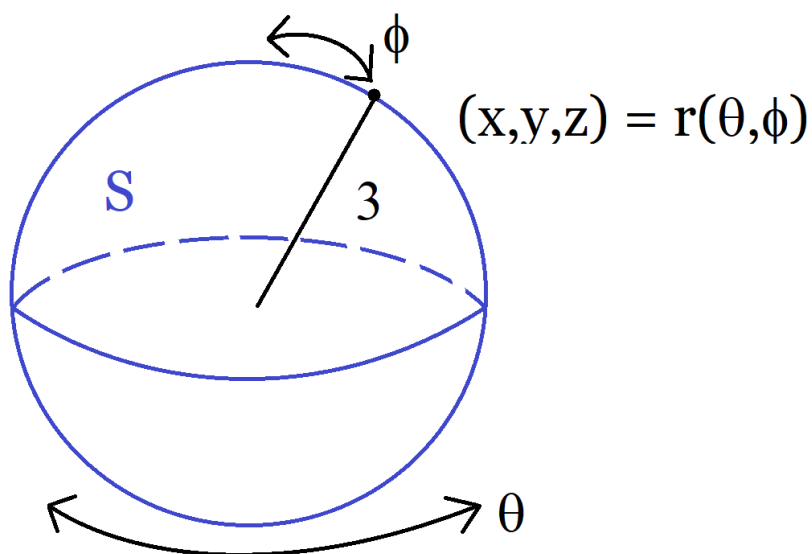
$$\begin{cases} x = 2 \cos(\theta) \\ y = 2 \sin(\theta) \\ z = z \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{r}(\theta, z) = \langle 2 \cos(\theta), 2 \sin(\theta), z \rangle$$

With $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, -\infty < z < \infty$

Example 2

Parametrize the sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 9$



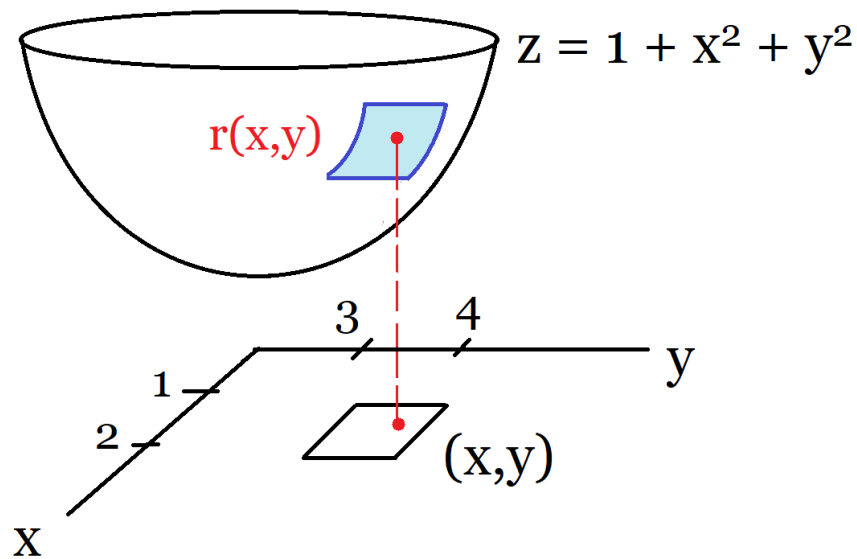
$$\begin{cases} x = 3 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) \\ y = 3 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) \\ z = 3 \cos(\phi) \end{cases}$$

$$r(\theta, \phi) = \langle 3 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta), 3 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta), 3 \cos(\phi) \rangle$$

With $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi, 0 \leq \phi \leq \pi$

Example 3: Functions

Parametrize the portion of the paraboloid $z = 1 + x^2 + y^2$ over the rectangle $[1, 2] \times [3, 4]$



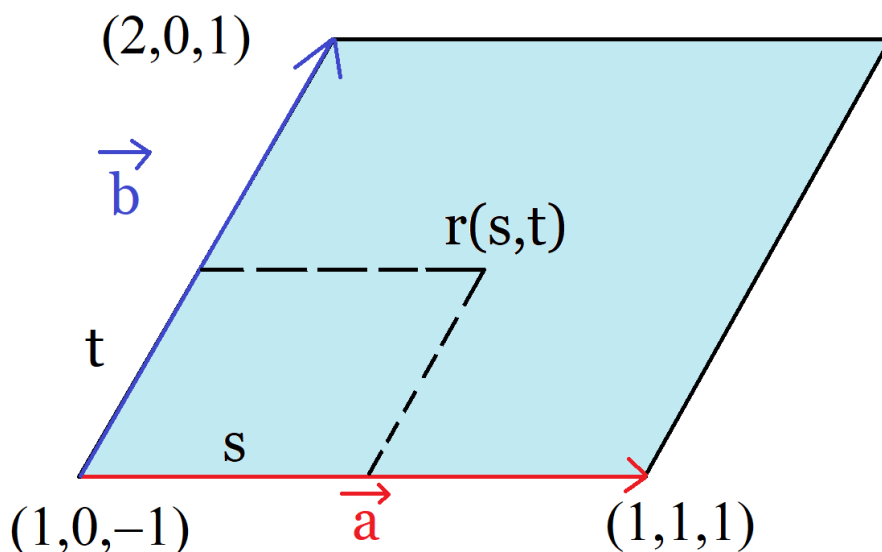
$$\begin{cases} x = x \\ y = y \\ z = 1 + x^2 + y^2 \end{cases} \implies r(x, y) = \langle x, y, 1 + x^2 + y^2 \rangle \quad \begin{matrix} 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3 \leq y \leq 4 \end{matrix}$$

More generally, for functions f , $r(x, y) = \langle x, y, f(x, y) \rangle$

(So surfaces are more general than functions)

Example 4: Planes (will probably skip)

Parametrize the plane containing $A = (1, 0, -1)$, $B = (1, 1, 1)$, $C = (2, 0, 1)$



$$\mathbf{a} = \langle 1 - 1, 1 - 0, 1 - (-1) \rangle = \langle 0, 1, 2 \rangle$$

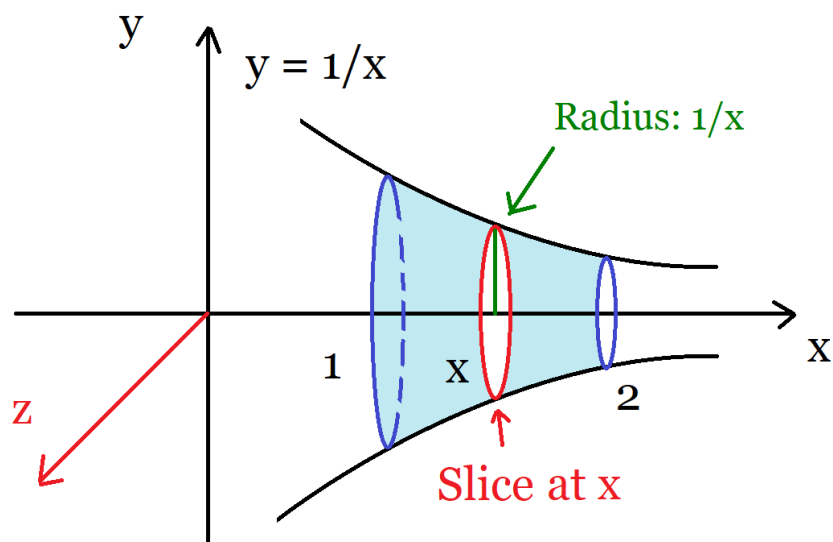
$$\mathbf{b} = \langle 2 - 1, 0 - 0, 1 - (-1) \rangle = \langle 1, 0, 2 \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} r(s, t) &= \underbrace{\langle 1, 0, -1 \rangle}_{\text{Start}} + s\mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b} \\ &= \langle 1, 0, -1 \rangle + s \langle 0, 1, 2 \rangle + t \langle 1, 0, 2 \rangle \\ &= \langle 1 + t, s, -1 + 2s + 2t \rangle \\ &\quad -\infty < s < \infty, -\infty < t < \infty \end{aligned}$$

(If you've taken 3A, then S is a linear combo of \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b})

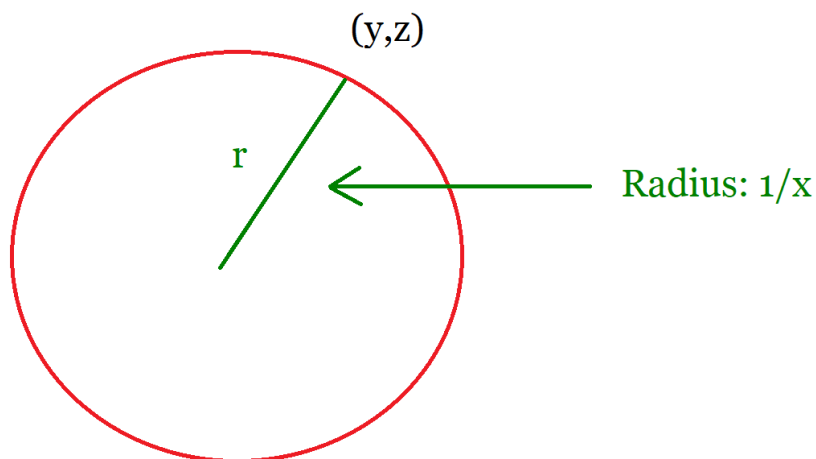
Example 5: Solids of Revolution (will probably skip)

(Math 2B) Parametrize the Surface obtained by rotating the curve $y = \frac{1}{x}$ between $x = 1$ and $x = 2$ about the x -axis



Start with $x = x$, $1 \leq x \leq 2$.

Look at slice at x :



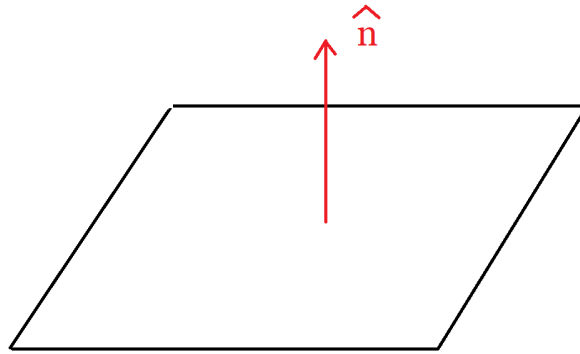
$$\begin{cases} y = r \cos(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cos(\theta) \\ z = r \sin(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \sin(\theta) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r(x, \theta) &= \left\langle x, \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cos(\theta), \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \sin(\theta) \right\rangle \\ 1 &\leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 &\leq \theta \leq 2\pi \end{aligned}$$

More generally: If you rotate the function $f(x)$ about the x -axis, then $r(x, \theta) = \langle x, f(x) \cos(\theta), f(x) \sin(\theta) \rangle$

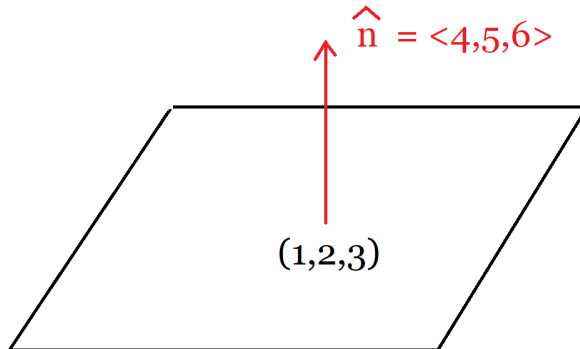
2. QUICK FACTS ABOUT PLANES

Math 2D: The single, **MOST IMPORTANT** thing about a plane is the **NORMAL VECTOR** \hat{n} !!!



Example

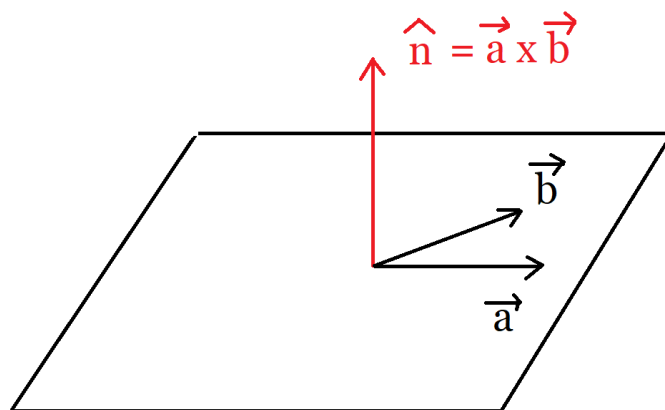
Find the equation of the plane going through $(1, 2, 3)$ and with normal vector $\hat{n} = \langle 4, 5, 6 \rangle$



$$4(x - 1) + 5(x - 2) + 6(z - 3) = 0$$

THIS is why \hat{n} is important; it allows us to easily find the equation of a plane.

Math 2D: If a plane contains vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , then $\hat{n} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$

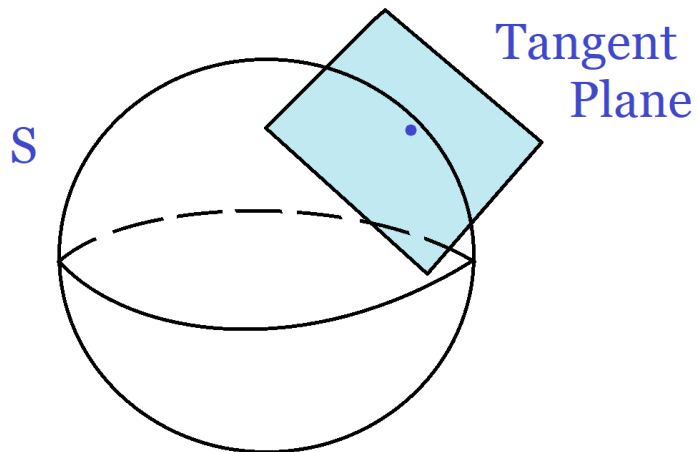


This is why the cross product is important; it allows us to find \hat{n} .

3. TANGENT PLANES

Video: Tangent Plane to a Surface

Goal: Find the tangent plane to a surface (just like we you did for functions in Math 2D)



Here is where parametrizations and normal vectors help us!

Example:

Find the equation of the tangent plane to

$$r(u, v) = \langle u^2 + 1, v^2 + 1, u + v \rangle$$

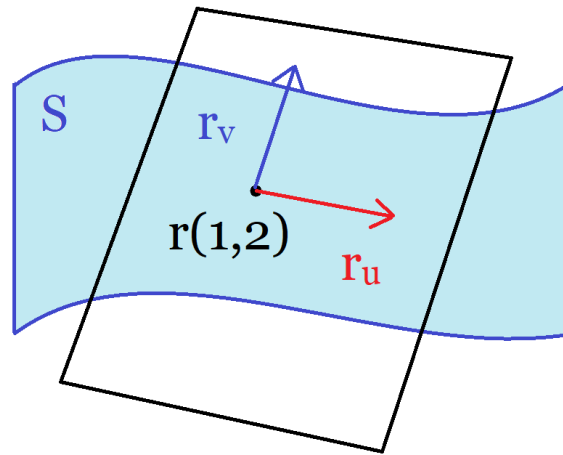
At $u = 1, v = 2$

(1) **Slopes:** Calculate r_u and r_v (at $u = 1, v = 2$)

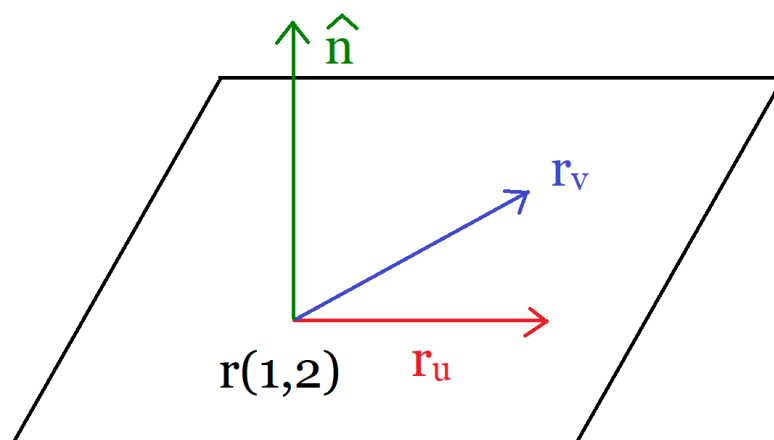
$$r_u = \langle (u^2 + 1)_u, (v^2 + 1)_u, (u + v)_u \rangle = \langle 2u, 0, 1 \rangle = \langle 2, 0, 1 \rangle \text{ (at } u = 1, v = 2\text{)}$$

$$r_v = \langle (u^2 + 1)_v, (v^2 + 1)_v, (u + v)_v \rangle = \langle 0, 2v, 1 \rangle = \langle 0, 4, 1 \rangle$$

Fact: r_u and r_v are on the tangent plane



(2) Normal Vector:



$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{n} &= r_u \times r_v \\
&= \langle 2, 0, 1 \rangle \times \langle 0, 4, 1 \rangle \\
&= \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{vmatrix} i - \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} j + \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{vmatrix} k \\
&= -4i - 2j + 8k \\
&= \langle -4, -2, 8 \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

(3) **Point:**

$$r(1, 2) = \langle 1^2 + 1, 2^2 + 1, 1 + 2 \rangle = \langle 2, 5, 3 \rangle$$

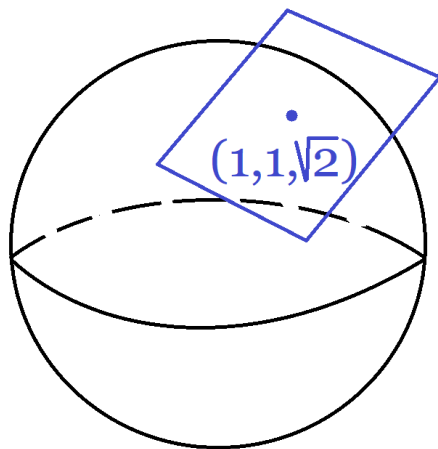
(4) **Equation:** $\hat{n} = \langle -4, -2, 8 \rangle$, Point $(2, 5, 3)$

$$-4(x - 2) - 2(y - 5) + 8(z - 3) = 0$$

Example:

Same but for $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4$ at $(1, 1, \sqrt{2})$

(1) **Picture:**



(2)

$$\begin{cases} x = 2 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) \\ y = 2 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) \\ z = 2 \cos(\phi) \end{cases}$$

$$r(\theta, \phi) = \langle 2 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta), 2 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta), 2 \cos(\phi) \rangle$$

(3) Find θ and ϕ (analog of $u = 1$ and $v = 2$)

$$(2 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta), 2 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta), 2 \cos(\phi)) = (1, 1, \sqrt{2})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2 \cos(\phi) = \sqrt{2} \Rightarrow \cos(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \phi = \frac{\pi}{4} \\ 2 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta) = 1 \Rightarrow 2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \cos(\theta) = 1 \Rightarrow \cos(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 2 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta) = 1 \Rightarrow 2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \sin(\theta) = 1 \Rightarrow \sin(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array} \right.$$

Which gives $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ and $\phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$

(4) Slopes

$$\begin{aligned} r_\theta &= \langle -2 \sin(\phi) \sin(\theta), 2 \sin(\phi) \cos(\theta), 0 \rangle \\ &= \left\langle -2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), 2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), 0 \right\rangle \\ &\quad \text{(Use } \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \phi = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{)} \\ &= \langle -1, 1, 0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_\phi &= \langle 2 \cos(\phi) \cos(\theta), 2 \cos(\phi) \sin(\theta), -2 \sin(\phi) \rangle \\ &= \left\langle 2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), 2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), -2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\rangle \\ &= \langle 1, 1, -\sqrt{2} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

(5) Normal Vector

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{n} &= r_\theta \times r_\phi \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -\sqrt{2} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \langle -\sqrt{2}, -\sqrt{2}, -2 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

(6) **Point:** $(1, 1, \sqrt{2})$

(7) **Equation:**

$$-\sqrt{2}(x-1) - \sqrt{2}(y-1) - 2(z-\sqrt{2}) = 0$$