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Chapter Twelve FUNCTIONS OF SEVERAL VARIABLES

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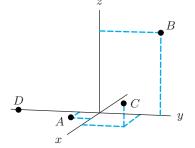
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Solution

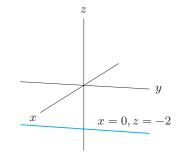
**Example 7** Which of the points A = (1, -1, 0), B = (0, 3, 4), C = (2, 2, 1), and D = (0, -4, 0) lies closest to the *xz*-plane? Which point lies on the *y*-axis?

The magnitude of the y-coordinate gives the distance to the xz-plane. The point A lies closest to that plane, because it has the smallest y-coordinate in magnitude. To get to a point on the y-axis, we move along the y-axis, but we don't move at all in the x- or the z-direction. Thus, a point on the y-axis has both its x- and z-coordinate equal to zero. The only point of the four that satisfies this is D. (See Figure 12.8.)

In general, if a point has one of its coordinates equal to zero, it lies in one of the coordinate planes. If a point has two of its coordinates equal to zero, it lies on one of the coordinate axes.



**Figure 12.8**: Which point lies closest to the *xz*-plane? Which point lies on the *y*-axis?



**Figure 12.9**: The line x = 0, z = -2

3	Example 8	You are 2 units below the $xy$ -plane and in the $yz$ -plane. What are your coordinates?
	Solution	Since you are 2 units below the $xy$ -plane, your $z$ -coordinate is $-2$ . Since you are in the $yz$ -plane, your $x$ -coordinate is 0; your $y$ -coordinate can be anything. Thus, you are at the point $(0, y, -2)$ . The set of all such points forms a line parallel to the $y$ -axis, 2 units below the $xy$ -plane, and in the $yz$ -plane. (See Figure 12.9.)
(2)	Example 9	You are standing at the point $(4, 5, 2)$ , looking at the point $(0.5, 0, 3)$ . Are you looking up or down?
	Solution	The point you are standing at has $z$ -coordinate 2, whereas the point you are looking at has $z$ -coordinate 3; hence you are looking up.
	Example 10	Imagine that the $yz$ -plane in Figure 12.7 is a page of this book. Describe the region behind the page algebraically.
	Solution	The positive part of the x-axis pokes out of the page; moving in the positive x-direction brings you out in front of the page. The region behind the page corresponds to negative values of x, so it is the set of all points in 3-space satisfying the inequality $x < 0$ .

## **Distance Between Two Points**

In 2-space, the formula for the distance between two points (x, y) and (a, b) is given by

Distance = 
$$\sqrt{(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2}$$
.

The distance between two points (x, y, z) and (a, b, c) in 3-space is represented by PG in Figure 12.10. The side PE is parallel to the x-axis, EF is parallel to the y-axis, and FG is parallel to the z-axis.

## **Distance and Midpoint with Three Dimensions (continued)**

## PRACTICE

For each pair of points, find the distance and the midpoint between the two given points.

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**1.** (0, 0, 0) and (3, 4, 12)d = 13;midpoint = (1.5, 2, 6)**2.** (4, -3, 6) and (1, 0, 17)  $d = \sqrt{139} \approx 11.79$ : midpoint = (2.5, -1.5, 11.5)**3.** (6, 5, 4) and (10, 9, 8)  $d = \sqrt{48} \approx 6.93;$ midpoint = (8, 7, 6)**4.** (1, 1, 1) and (10, 10, 10)  $d = \sqrt{243} \approx 15.59;$ midpoint = (5.5, 5.5, 5.5)**5.** (-4, -5, -19) and (8, 3, 12)  $d = \sqrt{1169} \approx 34.19$ : midpoint = (2, -1, -3.5)**6.** (5, 5, 18) and (5, 5, -8) $d = \sqrt{676} = 26;$ midpoint = (5, 5, 5)**7.** (3, 6, 1) and (1, 6, 3)  $d=\sqrt{8} \approx 2.83;$ midpoint = (2, 6, 2)**8.** (9, 6, 3) and (-9, -6, -3) $d = \sqrt{504} \approx 22.45;$ midpoint = (0, 0, 0)

## 10th lesson

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- 7. Find the distance of the points A = [-2, 3] and B = [1, 7] in different metrics:
  - (a)  $\rho_2(x,y) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i y_i|^2}$ Solution:  $\sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (3-7)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5.$
  - (b)  $\rho_1(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i y_i|$ Solution:

$$|-2-1| + |3-7| = 3 + 4 = 7$$

(c)  $\rho_{\infty}(x, y) = \max_{i=1,...,n} |x_i - y_i|$ Solution:  $\max\{|-2-1|, |3-7|\} = \max\{3, 4\} = 4$ 

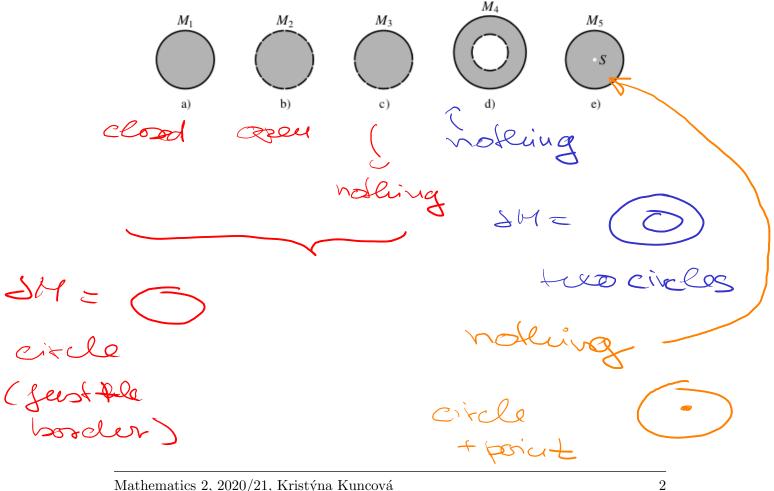
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- 8. Decide about the boundedness of the sets:
  - (a)  $M = \{[x, y] \in \mathbb{R}^2; \frac{x^2}{2} + y^2 \le 2\}$ Solution: Yes, bounded. It is ellipse.
  - (b)  $M = \{[x, y] \in \mathbb{R}^2; |x| \le |y|\}$ Solution: No, unbounded. For example line x = 0 is in the set (and it is unbounded).
  - (c)  $M = \{[x, y] \in \mathbb{R}^2; |x| + |y| \le 3\}$ Solution: Yes, bounded. It is a rhombus.
  - (d)  $M = \{[x, y] \in \mathbb{R}^2; |x y| < 2\}$ Solution: No, unbounded. For example line y = x is in the set (and it is unbounded).
  - (e) M = {(x, y, z) ∈ ℝ<sup>3</sup>; 2 < xyz < 4}</li>
    Solution: No, unbounded. For example the curve (x, 3/x, 1) is in the set (and it is unbounded).
- 9. Is the set M open or closed (or both or nothing)? Find its interior, closure, boundary:
  - (a) M = (0, 1) **Solution:** Open. Int M = (0, 1)  $\overline{M} = [0, 1]$ .  $\partial M = \{0, 1\}$ . (b) M = [0, 1] **Solution:** Closed. Int M = (0, 1)  $\overline{M} = [0, 1]$ .  $\partial M = \{0, 1\}$ . (c) M = (0, 1] **Solution:** Nithermore the left M = (0, 1)  $\overline{M} = [0, 1]$ .  $\partial M = \{0, 1\}$ .
    - **Solution:** Neither open, nor closed. Int  $M = (0, 1) \overline{M} = [0, 1]$ .  $\partial M = \{0, 1\}$ .

- (d)  $M = (0, \infty)$ **Solution:** Open. Int  $M = (0, \infty)$   $\overline{M} = [0, \infty)$ .  $\partial M = \{0\}$ .
- (e)  $M = [0, \infty)$ **Solution:** Closed. Int  $M = (0, \infty)$   $\overline{M} = [0, \infty)$ .  $\partial M = \{0\}$ .
- (f)  $M = (-\infty, \infty)$ **Solution:** Both open and closed. Int  $M = (-\infty, \infty)$   $\overline{M} = (-\infty, \infty)$ .  $\partial M =$ Ø.
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**Solution:** Closed. Int  $M = \emptyset$ .  $\overline{M} = \mathbb{N}$ .  $\partial M = \mathbb{N}$ .

- (h)  $\mathbb{Q}$ **Solution:** Neither open nor closed. Int  $M = \emptyset$ .  $\overline{M} = \mathbb{R}$ .  $\partial M = \mathbb{R}$ . (i) **R** 
  - **Solution:** Both open and closed. Int  $M = \mathbb{R}$ .  $\overline{M} = \mathbb{R}$ .  $\partial M = \emptyset$ .
- 10. Decide whether the set is open or closed (or both, or neither). Find the boundary.



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11. True or false?  $\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{A} \cap \overline{B}$ 

**Solution:** False For example the intervals A = (0, 1), B = (1, 2). Then  $\overline{A \cap B} = \overline{\emptyset} = \emptyset$ , but  $\overline{A \cap \overline{B}} = \overline{[0, 1] \cap [1, 2]} = \overline{\{1\}} = \{1\}$ .

- 12. Find the limit of the following sequences:
  - (a)  $x_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}, 2 \frac{1}{n}\right)$

Solution: Let us take the components separately.

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 1 + \frac{1}{n} = 1$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} 2 - \frac{1}{n} = 2$$

Together

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = (1, 2)$$

(b)  $x_n = \left(\frac{3n}{2n-1}, \pi, \cos(\operatorname{arccot} n)\right)$ Solution:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = (3/2, \pi, 1)$$

(c)  $x_n = \left(\frac{(-1)^n}{\ln n}, \sin(\pi - e^{-n}), \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, \arcsin\left(\ln\left(\frac{n}{n+3}\right)\right)\right)$ Solution:  $\lim_{n \to \infty} x_n = (0, 0, 0, 0)$ 

(d) 
$$x_n = ((-1)^n, \arctan(n^2))$$
  
Solution:  $\lim_{n\to\infty} (-1)^n$  does not exist. Thus the whole limit does not exist.