

Lecture 10

14.1 Functions of several variables

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Things to note

Exams will be passed back at end of class.

Office hours canceled today and tomorrow.

Quiz on Friday will cover today's material.

HW04 will be posted by 11:30.

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$$f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2, \quad z = \sin(x + y), \quad g(x, y) = e^y - 5x$$

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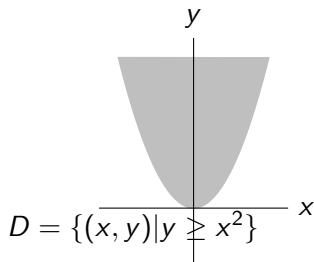
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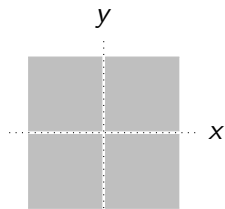
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$$xy \neq 0 \Rightarrow x \neq 0 \text{ and } y \neq 0.$$

So all the points not on the x - or y -axes.



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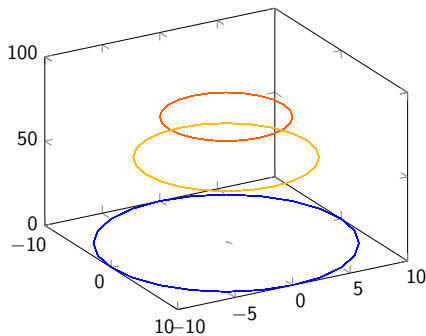
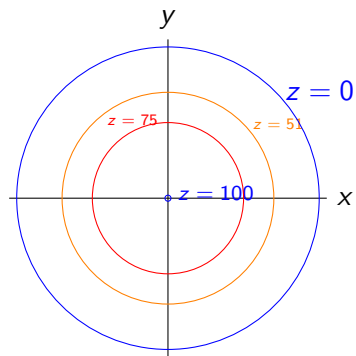
For $z = 0$, we get $0 = 100 - x^2 - y^2$, or $100 = x^2 + y^2$. This defines the circle of radius 10 centered at $(0, 0, 0)$, lying in the plane $z = 0$.

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