

# Intersecting Cylinders

A standard problem for three dimensional integration is to find the volume of two intersecting cylinders. One hard part of this problem is seeing the shape of the intersection. We take the cylinders

$$y^2 + z^2 = 4 \quad \text{and} \quad x^2 + z^2 = 4$$

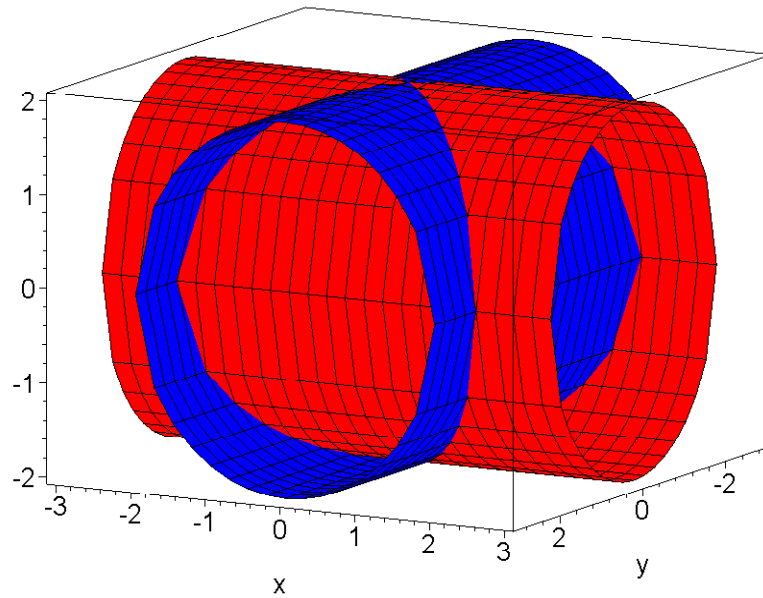
In an attempt to see the intersection, we first draw the two cylinders, one red and the other blue.

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> restart:with(plots);
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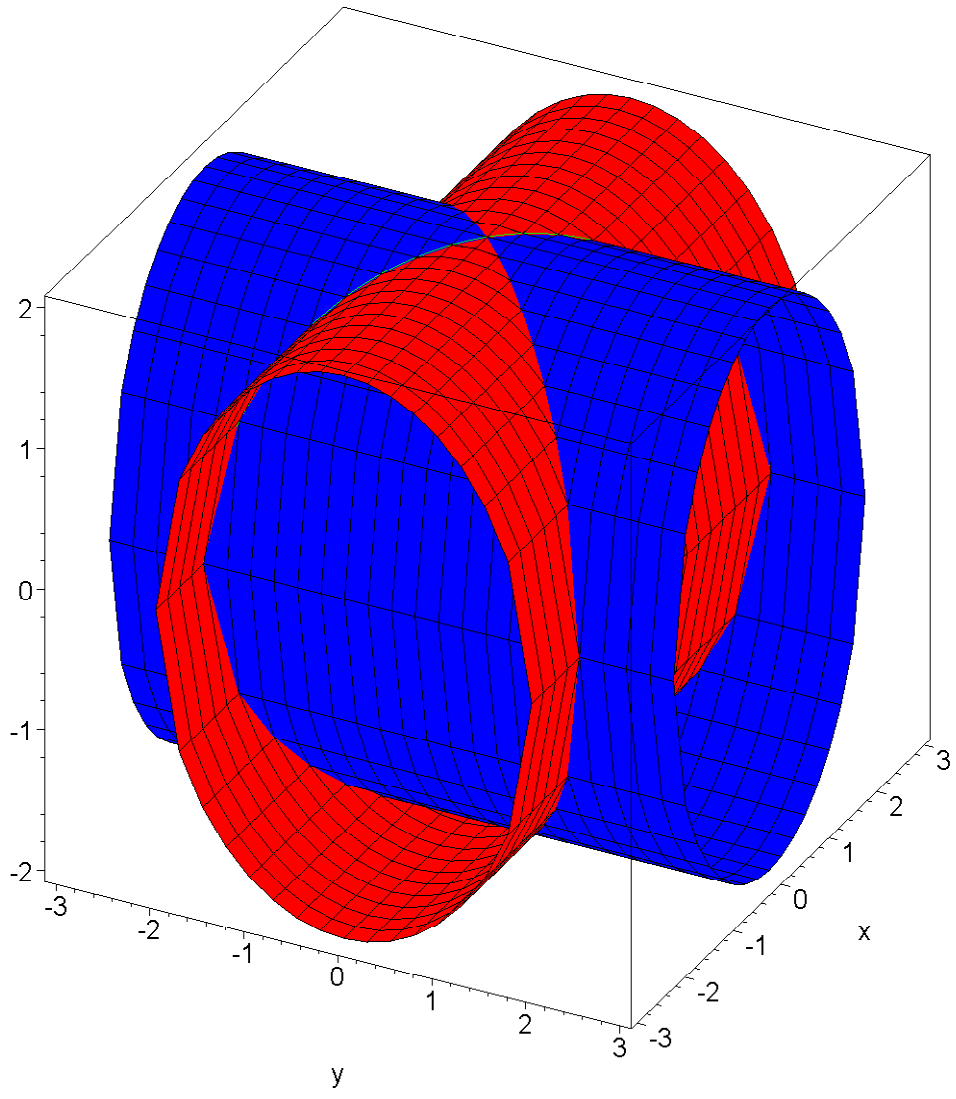
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  polyhedra_supported, polyhedraplot, replot, rootlocus, semilogplot, setoptions, setoptions3d,
  spacecurve, sparsematrixplot, sphereplot, surfdata, textplot, textplot3d, tubeplot]
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> K1:=plot3d(sqrt(4-y^2),y=-3..3,x=-3..
  3,color=RED,axes=boxed):K2:=plot3d(sqrt(4-x^2),y=-3..3,x=-3..
  3,color=blue,axes=boxed):K3:=plot3d(-sqrt(4-y^2),y=-3..3,x=-3
  ..3,color=RED,axes=boxed):K4:=plot3d(-sqrt(4-x^2),y=-3..3,x=
  -3..3,color=blue,axes=boxed):
> display3d({K1,K2,K3,K4});
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lets find the intersection

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> with(Student[VectorCalculus]):C1:=SpaceCurve( <t,t,sqrt(4-t^2)>,
t=-2..2,color =green ):
display3d({K1,K2,K3,K4,C1});# not quite all of it
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