Spheres and hyperspheres

Mental exercising

Reminder

A sphere in Eⁿ with a center at a point P and radius r is the set of all points in Eⁿ that are r away from the point P.

A unit sphere Sⁿ⁻¹ is a sphere with a center at the origin and radius 1.

Circles in E¹

Describe the following sets in words and then draw their pictures.

• What is S⁰?

 What is a circle with center at 0 and radius r?

Repeat

The previous exercise in E², E³ and E⁴!

YELL when you run into problems.

New approach

• Draw S¹. What are the horizontal layers of it? Draw them and describe them.

- Draw S². What are the horizontal layers of it? Draw them and decribe them.
- What will be the horizontal layers of S³?

Visualization

How can 1-dimensional being visualize a circle?

Remember: the circle needs to fit onto the line.

Still familiar

How would a flatlander imagine a sphere?

Hypersphere

 How would YOU imagine a hypersphere, S³?