



In order to allow more interesting manifolds than a few that I hard code in, I plan to implement connected sums of manifolds. Unfortunately, almost none of the well-known manifolds can be smoothly connected without changing their metrics. In order to facilitate this, I have found a class of manifolds that can be used as intermediates to smoothly connect two manifolds of constant curvature, and which allows geodesics to be easily calculated. I call them wormholes.

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Consider a point x on a 3-surface U of revolution made by rotation a curve along a sphere, and a vector v in the tangent space U_x .

Consider the component v_0 of v along S^2 .

Consider the great circle made by extending x to a geodesic in the direction of v_0 .

We can reflect across this great circle on all the spherical cross-sections of U .

By symmetry, the geodesic made by extending x in the v direction must stay on this slice of U .

This reduces finding the geodesic on a 3-surface of revolution to finding one on a 2-surface.

Consider the quotient space in \mathbb{H}^2 made by identifying two ultraparallel lines so that the intersections with their mutual perpendiculars are identified, and they both go in the same direction.

Then a miracle happend.

The resulting space is a surface of revolution.

We can extend this to a 3-surface of revolution, then use the above method to reduce finding a geodesic to finding one on this space.

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$$y_0 = a \sin(x_0 - \theta_0), y_1 = a \sin(x_1 - \theta_0)$$

$$\frac{y_1}{y_0} = \frac{\sin(x_1 - \theta_0)}{\sin(x_0 - \theta_0)}$$

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Rather than mapping a sphere to \mathbb{R}^2 , we can embed it in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Given points \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} ,

First, we take the first thee coordinates, which gives us points in S^2 .

We can easily find the great circle between them.

We set up a geodesic along \mathbb{H}^2 , and place \mathbf{x} at the distance given by x_4 from the bottleneck, where the spherical cross-section is thinnest.

We then move along the spherical cross-section a distance equal to the distance the first three coordinates of \mathbf{x} are along the great circle. We do this simply by scaling $e^{k\theta}$, where θ is the angle along the great circle, and k is some constant that depends on the specific surface we're using.

We do a similar process for \mathbf{y} .

Now we can find the geodesic between them along this \mathbb{H}^2 slice.

We can then find the vector representing the distance and direction from \mathbf{x} to \mathbf{y} .

Now we simply transform this back to a point on the full space.

(v_1, v_2, v_3) is the component of \mathbf{v} along the S^2 slice, which is just the the component along the line perpendicular to the circle on the euclidean map used to represent the hyperbolic slice. Just transform this back onto S^2 . Don't worry about the radius of S^2 . We didn't actually use it to calculate distance, so it doesn't matter.

v_4 is the component of \mathbf{v} orthogonal to the S^2 slice, which is along the cricle on the euclidean map of the hyperbolic slice.

Now to find the geodesic from the vector.

First, we look at this on the \mathbb{H}^2 slice.

We move x onto \mathbb{H}^2 by letting the angle on the geodesic represented by a circle about the origin be x_4 . The radius doesn't matter for this, since it doesn't matter where we start the section of the quotient space we look at. Thus, we can map it to $\mathbf{x}' = (\sin x_4, \cos x_4)$.

v_4 gets mapped perpendicular to the direction of \mathbf{x}' from the origin on the Euclidean plane. The rest of \mathbf{v} gets pointed along it.

Now that we have a vector in \mathbb{H}^2 , we can construct the geosic as when we did it in a slice of \mathbb{H}^3 .

Once we have \mathbf{y}' , we let $y_4 = \arctan \frac{y'_1}{y'_0}$.

$$e^{k\theta} = \|\mathbf{y}'\|$$

$$\theta = \frac{1}{k} \ln \|\mathbf{y}'\|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2k} \ln \|\mathbf{y}'\|^2$$

$$(y_1, y_2, y_3) = (x_1, x_2, x_3) \cos \theta + (v_1, v_2, v_3) \sin \theta$$

Finding the rotation is more difficult.

First, consider the two-dimensional rotation.

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$$\begin{aligned} \sin \theta_0 &= \frac{\mathbf{x}' \times (\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c})}{|\mathbf{x}'| |\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c}|} \\ &= \frac{x'_0(x'_1 - c_1) - x'_1(x'_0 - c_0)}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{x}'|^2 |\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c}|^2}} \\ &= \frac{x'_0 x'_1 - x'_1(x'_0 - c_0)}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{x}'|^2 |\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c}|^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{c_0 x'_0}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{x}'|^2 |\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c}|^2}} \\
\cos \theta_0 &= \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c} \rangle}{|\mathbf{x}'| |\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{c}|} \\
\sin \theta_1 &= \frac{\mathbf{y}' \times (\mathbf{y}' - \mathbf{c})}{|\mathbf{y}'| |\mathbf{y}' - \mathbf{c}|} \\
&= \frac{c_0 y'_0}{\sqrt{|\mathbf{y}'|^2 |\mathbf{y}' - \mathbf{c}|^2}} \\
\cos \theta_1 &= \frac{\langle \mathbf{y}', \mathbf{y}' - \mathbf{c} \rangle}{|\mathbf{y}'| |\mathbf{y}' - \mathbf{c}|}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_0 & \sin \theta_0 \\ -\sin \theta_0 & \cos \theta_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Let \mathbf{z} = the normalization of the component of \mathbf{y} perpendicular to \mathbf{x} .

I'm going to need to commute this with a matrix that moves \mathbf{z} to $(0, 1, 0, 0)$.

I'm going to make the first digit be the distance along the arc in \mathbb{H}^2 .

Let's just let it move \mathbf{x} to $(0, 0, 1, 0)$ and $\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z}$ to $(0, 0, 0, 1)$. It will preserve $(1, 0, 0, 0)$.

This makes the matrix

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$$\mathbf{e}_1 \mapsto \mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z} \mapsto \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathbf{e}_3, \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z} \mapsto \mathbf{e}_4$$

$$(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}'))^{-1}$$

$$= (\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}'))^T, \text{ since it's a rotation matrix.}$$

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$$(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z}))^T$$

$$(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z})) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_0 & \sin \theta_0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_0 & \cos \theta_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z}))^T$$

This still fails to take into account the rotation around the sphere.

It just rotates between \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{z} , so if we do it mid-conjugation, we can just do it with a 2×2 matrix like so:

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z})) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 & -\sin \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sin \theta_1 & \cos \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
&\quad \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_0 & \sin \theta_0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_0 & \cos \theta_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}, (\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{z}))^T
\end{aligned}$$

Where $\theta = \frac{1}{2k} \ln \|\mathbf{y}'\|^2$