

Differential Geometry MA327 2020 Spring Final Test

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Total=100 points

1. (5 points) Show that every regular parametrized differentiable curve can be re-parametrized by arc length.

2. (5 points) Let $\alpha : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a regular parametrized differentiable curve and let $[a, b] \subset I$. Show that

$$|\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)| \leq \int_a^b |\alpha'(t)| dt.$$

3. (10 points) Let $\alpha : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a regular parametrized (by arc length s) curve with nowhere vanishing curvature. Show that α is a plane curve (i.e. $\alpha(I)$ is contained in a plane) if and only if its torsion τ is identically equal to 0.

4. (10 points) (a) Write down the definition of a regular surface. (b) Write down an example of some "two dimensional" object which is not a regular surface and explain why your example is not a regular surface without proof. (c) Write down an example of a regular surface and prove your example is a regular surface (you may use some facts in the textbook or lecture notes without proof).

5. (5 points) Show that the equation of the tangent plane at (x_0, y_0, z_0) of a regular surface given by $f(x, y, z) = 0$, where 0 is a regular value of f , is

$$f_x(x_0, y_0, z_0)(x - x_0) + f_y(x_0, y_0, z_0)(y - y_0) + f_z(x_0, y_0, z_0)(z - z_0) = 0.$$

6. (5 points) Compute the first fundamental forms of the following parametrized surfaces where they are regular:

- (a) $\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (u, v)$; plane.
- (b) $\mathbf{x}(\rho, \theta) = (\rho \cos \theta, \rho \sin \theta)$; plane.
- (c) $\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (a \sin u \cos v, b \sin u \sin v, c \cos u)$; ellipsoid.
- (d) $\mathbf{x}(u, v) = ((a + r \cos u) \cos v, (a + r \cos u) \sin v, r \sin u)$; torus.
- (e) $\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (u, v, v^2 - u^2)$; hyperbolic paraboloid.

7. (5 points) Compute the area of the whole torus. Here the torus means the surface of revolution generated by rotating the circle $(x - a)^2 + z^2 = r^2, y = 0$, about the z axis ($a > r > 0$). (You may use the parametrization in Question 6(d).)

8. (10 points) Compute the Gaussian curvature of the ellipsoid $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$.

9. (10 points) Show that a surface which is compact (i.e. it is bounded and closed in \mathbb{R}^3) has an elliptic point.

10. (15 points) (a) What are the normal curvature and geodesic curvature for a regular oriented curve on an oriented surface? (Write down their definitions.)

(b) Derive the following relation for a regular oriented curve C on an oriented surface S :

$$k^2 = k_n^2 + k_g^2.$$

Here k_n is the normal curvature of C , k_g is the geodesic curvature of C and k is the curvature of C .

(c) Prove that a curve $C \subset S$ is both an asymptotic curve and a geodesic if and only if C is a (segment of a) straight line.

- 11.** (5 points) Describe all geodesics on the cylinder $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$.
- 12.** (15 points) (a) Write down an example of a regular surface with negative Gaussian curvature everywhere. (You do not need to compute the Gaussian curvature for your example, just write down the example.)
- (b) Write down one version of global Gauss-Bonnet theorem without proof.
- (c) Use the global Gauss-Bonnet theorem you write down to show that there are points on the torus where the Gaussian curvature is positive, negative, and zero. Here the torus as in Question 7 means the surface of revolution generated by rotating the circle $(x - a)^2 + z^2 = r^2, y = 0$, about the z axis ($a > r > 0$).