

SURFACE GEOMETRY

Tangent basis vectors on Ω_0 & Ω

$$\underline{A}^\alpha = \underline{X}_{,\alpha} \quad \underline{A}_3 = \frac{\underline{A}_1 \times \underline{A}_2}{\sqrt{A}} \quad \underline{a}_\alpha = \underline{x}_{,\alpha} \quad \underline{a}_3 = \frac{\underline{a}_1 \times \underline{a}_2}{\sqrt{a}}$$

where

$$\sqrt{A} = |\underline{A}_1 \times \underline{A}_2| = \sqrt{\det A_{\alpha\beta}} \quad \sqrt{a} = |\underline{a}_1 \times \underline{a}_2| = \sqrt{\det a_{\alpha\beta}}$$

are the surface area metrics and

$$A_{\alpha\beta} = \underline{A}_\alpha \cdot \underline{A}_\beta \quad a_{\alpha\beta} = \underline{a}_\alpha \cdot \underline{a}_\beta$$

are the surface metric tensors. Denote the area elements

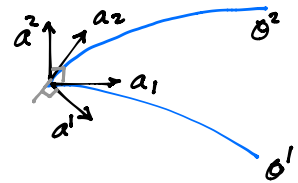
$$d^2 S = A_{\alpha\beta} d\theta^\alpha d\theta^\beta \quad d^2 s = a_{\alpha\beta} d\theta^\alpha d\theta^\beta$$

(Referred to as the 1st fundamental forms on Ω_0 & Ω .)

Dual Basis Vectors: Define $\{A^\alpha\}$ & $\{a^\alpha\}$ s.t.

$$\underline{A}^\alpha \cdot \underline{A}_i = \delta_i^\alpha \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{a}^\alpha \cdot \underline{a}_i = \delta_i^\alpha$$

Note $\underline{A}^\alpha \cdot \underline{A}_3 = 0$ $\underline{a}^\alpha \cdot \underline{a}_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{A}^\alpha$ & \underline{a}^α are still tangent to Ω_0 & Ω



Normal Vector & Curvature

Important thing to note about \underline{A}_3 and \underline{a}_3 : they are normal to the surfaces at every point. Normals will change from one pt. to another. Rate of change of \underline{A}_3 , \underline{a}_3 with respect to θ^α is measure of curvature of the surface, e.g.,

$$d\underline{a}_3 = \frac{\partial \underline{a}_3}{\partial \theta^\alpha} d\theta^\alpha$$

But since $\underline{a}_3 \cdot \underline{a}_3 = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \underline{a}_3}{\partial \theta^\alpha} \cdot \underline{a}_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{a}_{3,\alpha}$ are tangent vectors.

→ Describe them in terms of their projections on $\{\underline{a}_\beta\}$

$$\boxed{\underline{a}_{3,\alpha} \cdot \underline{a}_\beta = -b_{\alpha\beta}} = \text{curvature tensor}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a}_{3,\alpha} = -b_{\alpha\beta} \underline{a}^\beta$$

Can also define $a_{3,\alpha} = -b_\alpha^\beta a_\beta \rightarrow \boxed{b_\alpha^\beta = -a_{3,\alpha} \cdot a^\beta}$ mixed components of \underline{b}

$$\rightarrow b_{\alpha\beta} = -a_{3,\alpha} \cdot a_\beta = (b_\alpha^\gamma a_\gamma) \cdot a_\beta = b_\alpha^\gamma a_{\gamma\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow b_{\alpha\beta} = b_\alpha^\gamma a_{\gamma\beta}, \quad b_\alpha^\beta = b_{\alpha\gamma} a^{\gamma\beta}$$

Second fundamental form

Recall $a_3 \cdot a_\alpha = a_3 \cdot x_{,\alpha} = 0 \Rightarrow (a_3 \cdot x_{,\alpha})_{,\beta} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{a_{3,\beta} \cdot a_\alpha}_{=-b_{\alpha\beta}} + a_3 \cdot x_{,\alpha\beta} = 0 \quad (*)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{b_{\alpha\beta} = a_3 \cdot x_{,\alpha\beta}} \rightarrow \text{Curvature tensor is } \underline{\text{symmetric}}.$$

\therefore Symmetrize (*): $b_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{1}{2} (a_{3,\alpha} \cdot a_\beta + a_{3,\beta} \cdot a_\alpha)$

\times by $d\theta^\alpha d\theta^\beta$:

$$-b_{\alpha\beta} d\theta^\alpha d\theta^\beta = -\frac{1}{2} (a_{3,\alpha} d\theta^\alpha \cdot x_{,\beta} d\theta^\beta + a_{3,\beta} d\theta^\beta \cdot x_{,\alpha} d\theta^\alpha)$$

$$\boxed{-b_{\alpha\beta} d\theta^\alpha d\theta^\beta = da_3 \cdot dx} \equiv \text{2nd fundamental form of } \Omega$$

Principal, Mean, & Gauss Curvatures

$b_{\alpha\beta}$ symmetric \rightarrow real eigenvalues $(b_{\alpha\beta} - b a_{\alpha\beta}) \lambda^\beta = 0 \rightarrow b_1, b_2$

$(b_\alpha^\beta - b \delta_\alpha^\beta) \lambda_\beta = 0 \quad \underline{\lambda}_1, \underline{\lambda}_2$

$b_\alpha \equiv$ principal curvatures

$\underline{\lambda}_\alpha \equiv$ curvature directions $|\underline{\lambda}_\alpha| = 1$

Mean Curvature: $H = \frac{1}{2}(b_1 + b_2) = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } \underline{b} = \frac{1}{2} b_{\alpha\beta} a^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} b_\alpha^\alpha = \frac{1}{2} b^{\alpha\beta} a_{\alpha\beta}$

Gauss Curvature: $K = b_1 b_2 = \det(b_{\alpha\beta}) / \det(a_{\alpha\beta}) = \det(b_\alpha^\beta)$

Derivatives of Basis Vectors

$$\frac{\partial a_i}{\partial x^\alpha} = a_{\alpha, \beta} = (a_{\alpha, \beta} \cdot a_j) a^j = \underbrace{(a_{\alpha, \beta} \cdot a_\gamma)}_{\equiv \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma} a^\gamma + \underbrace{(a_{\alpha, \beta} \cdot a_3)}_{\equiv b_{\alpha\beta}} a_3$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{\alpha, \beta} = \underbrace{\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma a^\gamma}_{\text{tangent part}} + \underbrace{b_{\alpha\beta} a_3}_{\text{normal part}} \quad \leftarrow \text{CS of 1st kind}$$

$$\text{Can show: } \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma = \frac{1}{2} (a_{\alpha\gamma, \beta} + a_{\beta\gamma, \alpha} - a_{\alpha\beta, \gamma})$$

$$\text{Also define } \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta\delta} a^{\delta\gamma} \quad (a^{\alpha\beta} = \text{dual/inverse metric tensor})$$

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CS of 2nd kind

$$\text{Then } a_{\alpha, \beta} = \underbrace{\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma a_\gamma}_{\text{tangent part}} + \underbrace{b_{\alpha\beta} a_3}_{\text{normal part}} = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^i a_i \rightarrow \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^3 = b_{\alpha\beta}$$

Note difference rel. to a_3 ,

$$a_{3, \alpha} = -b_{\alpha\beta} a^\beta = -b_{\alpha}^{\beta} a_\beta \rightarrow \text{only tangent part because } a_3 \cdot a_3 = 1$$

