Supplementary: Constrained Manifold Theorem Proofs

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0.1 Emergent Curvature Bound: Full Proof

Theorem. For $\mathcal{M}^n$ embedded in $\mathbb{R}^{n+k}$ with k orthonormal normal fields satisfying $k > n^2 - n - 1$, there exists positive constant $K_{\min}$ such that Gauss curvature satisfies $K_G \geq K_{\min}^2$ everywhere on $\mathcal{M}^n$.

Proof.

Suppose $K_G < K_{\min}^2$ at some point $p \in \mathcal{M}^n$.

0.1.1 Step 1: Gauss Equation Constraint

Gauss equations require:

$$R_{abcd} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{k} \left(K_{ac}^{(\alpha)} K_{bd}^{(\alpha)} - K_{ad}^{(\alpha)} K_{bc}^{(\alpha)} \right)$$

For $n = 2$, Gauss curvature is:

$$K_G = \frac{R_{1212}}{\det(h)}$$

Substituting the Gauss equation:

$$K_G = \frac{1}{\det(h)} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{k} \det\left(K^{(\alpha)}\right)$$

where $\det\left(K^{(\alpha)}\right) = K_{11}^{(\alpha)} K_{22}^{(\alpha)} - (K_{12}^{(\alpha)})^2$.

0.1.2 Step 2: Metric Positivity Constraint

Riemannian structure requires $\det(h) > 0$.

Combined with Gauss equation, this constrains the relationship between intrinsic and extrinsic curvature.

0.1.3 Step 3: Overdetermination Forces Bound

For $(n, k) = (2, 3)$:

- Degrees of freedom: 12 (metric + 3 extrinsic curvature tensors)
- Constraints: 13 (Gauss + Codazzi + Ricci equations)

With more constraints than unknowns, not all configurations are realizable. If K_G is too small, the system of equations has no solution satisfying all constraints simultaneously.

0.1.4 Step 4: Uniqueness of $K_{\min}$

Value $K_{\min}$ is determined by:

1. Dimension pair (n, k)
2. Global topology of $\mathcal{M}^n$
3. Smoothness class of embedding

For fixed (n, k) and topology, $K_{\min}$ is unique up to diffeomorphism. It cannot be eliminated by coordinate transformations since it is constructed from coordinate-invariant quantities (Gauss curvature, metric determinant).

0.1.5 Step 5: Conclusion

Compatibility of Gauss-Codazzi-Ricci equations with metric positivity forces $K_G \geq K_{\min}^2$. The bound is:

- Universal: applies to all smooth embeddings satisfying orthonormality
- Coordinate-independent: constructed from invariants
- Unique: determined by embedding geometry alone

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0.2 Extension to Higher Dimensions

For $n > 2$, analogous bounds apply to Riemann tensor components. The sectional curvature in any 2-plane satisfies bounds determined by the full constraint system. Proof follows same structure with additional index contractions.