

# Regular Surfaces: brief discussions on global and local issues

Note Title

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From regular curves to regular surfaces:

(I) a change in dimension, of course

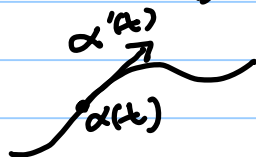
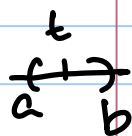
curves - (smooth) 1-D objects  
living in  $n$ -D,  $n \geq 2$

surfaces - (smooth) 2-D objects  
living in  $n$ -D,  $n \geq 3$

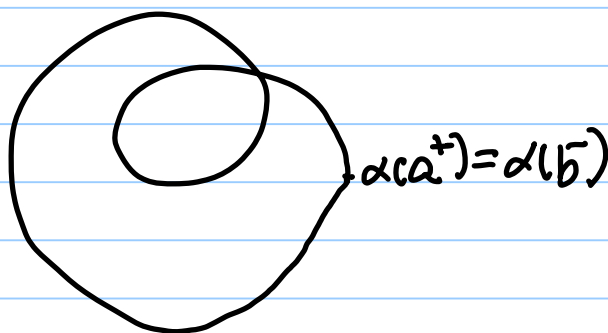
regular parameterized curve

$$\alpha: (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, \alpha'(t) \neq 0, \forall t$$

$$-\infty < a < b < \infty$$

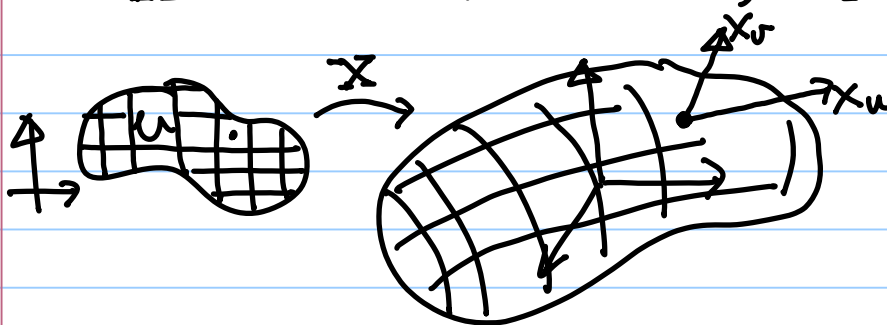


$$\alpha(a^+) \neq \alpha(b^-)$$



regular parameterized surface  $[X_u X_v]$

$$X: \text{open } U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n, dX(u, v) \text{ rank } 2$$

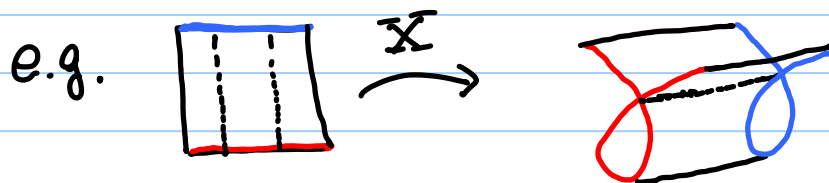


"full rank"  
"injective"

" $dX_u, dX_v$  are 2 linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ "

Such a map  $\alpha$  is "locally injective", but may not be (globally) injective.

## Global Issues :



Ex: turn this picture into a rigorous example.

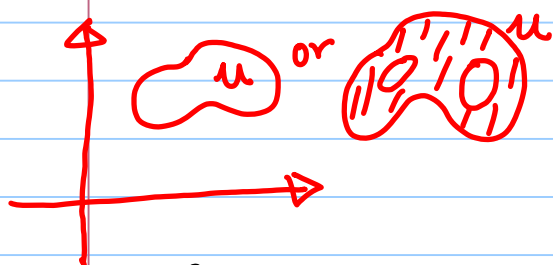
Allowing for surfaces that can self-intersect, as we allowed for curves that can self-intersect, is perfectly natural.

A much bigger problem :

any curve can be expressed as the image of some  $\alpha: (a,b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

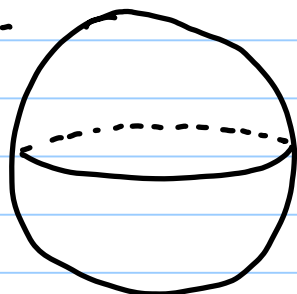
but

not every surface can be expressed as the image of a single  $X: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$



no matter how complicated you make this open set  $U$  is!

e.g.



etc.

we can only parameterize a surface locally.

Subtle point: the topology of an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  can be complicated, but even so that is not enough to deal with the different topologies of surfaces.

Have to generalize the concept of parameterized regular surface .....

⑦ Definition:

A subset  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  is a

~~parameterized~~ regular surface if, for each  $p \in S$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and a map

$$X: U \rightarrow V \cap S$$

"a local parameterization"

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \text{open in } \mathbb{R}^2 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \nwarrow \\ \text{open in } \mathbb{R}^3 \end{matrix}$$

s.t.

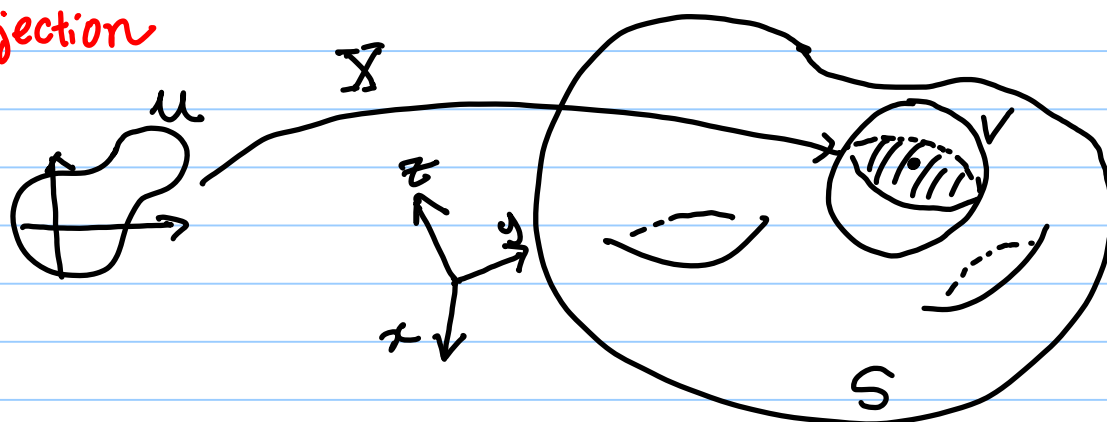
1.  $X$  is  $C^\infty$

2.  $X$  is a homeomorphism

3.  $dX(u,v)$  is injective for all  $(u,v) \in U$ .

Not a easy condition to work with. Fortunately 2' is enough.

2'.  $X$  is a bijection

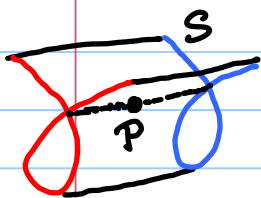


Thm:  $1 + 2 + 3 \Leftrightarrow 1 + 2' + 3$ .

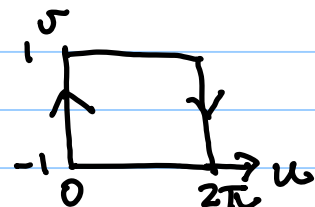
Condition 3 guarantees tangent planes,  
disallows cusps:



Condition 2/2' disallows self-intersection:



$S \cap (\text{any open ball})$   
around  $P$   
does not 'look like'  
(i.e. not homeomorphic)  
an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$



$$\begin{bmatrix} (2 - v \sin \frac{u}{2}) \sinh u \\ (2 - v \sin \frac{u}{2}) \cosh u \\ v \cos(\frac{u}{2}) \end{bmatrix}$$



Möbius band: allowed

Klein bottle: not allowed

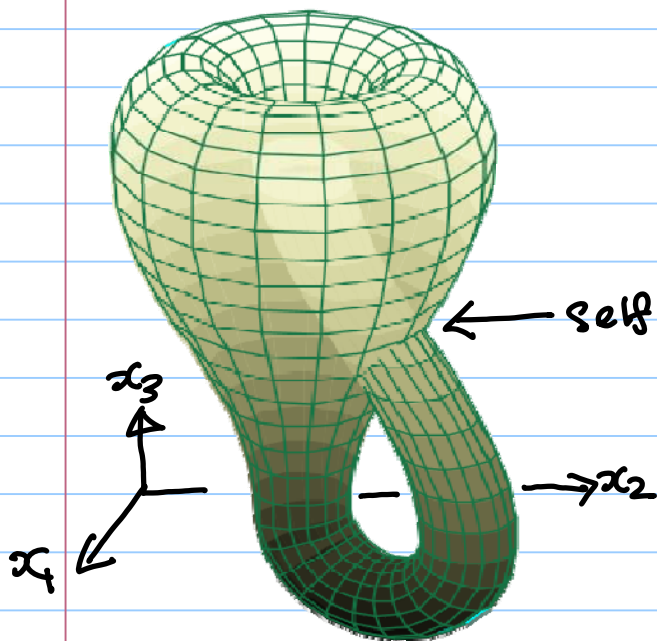
Still can't deal with all topologies!

🚩 This problem will go away when we work  
with manifolds.

Teaser: Klein bottle can be first described  
as a 2-dimension manifold, and  
subsequently be shown that it

- (i) can be embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
- (ii) can be immersed in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- (iii) cannot be embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

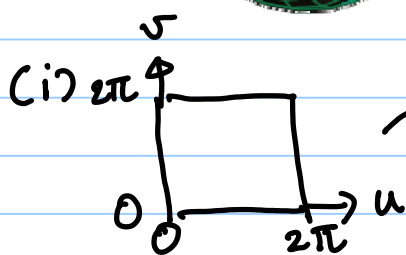
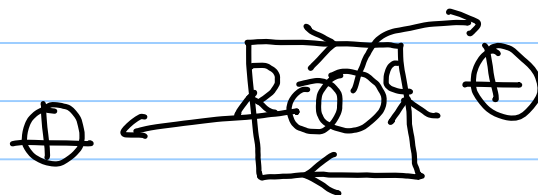
(ii)



Klein bottle as an abstract topological space.

extra structure

2-manifold



$\mathbb{R}^4$

$(u, v) \mapsto$

$$\begin{bmatrix} (r \cos v + a) \cos u \\ (r \cos v + a) \sin u \\ r \sin v \cos u / 2 \\ r \sin v \sin u / 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

[This concludes my teaser, will come back to this example with rigor.]

Associated with (i) is the (easy) extension of regular surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to :

" a k-dimensional regular surface in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  "

$(2, 3) \rightarrow (k, N)$

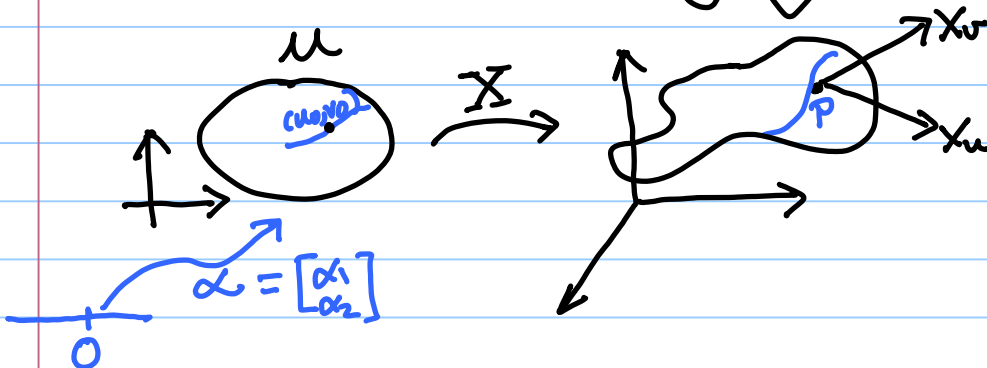
intrinsic dimension

ambient dimension

## Local Issues :

$$X : \mathcal{U} \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, X(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} x(u, v) \\ y(u, v) \\ z(u, v) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$dX(u_0, v_0) = \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \\ y_u & y_v \\ z_u & z_v \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(u_0, v_0)} \quad \text{has rank} = 2$$



tangent plane at  $P = X(u_0, v_0)$  is :

$$\text{Span}(X_u, X_v) = \{ \text{all linear combinations } aX_u + bX_v \}$$

Proof:  $\Rightarrow \{ \text{all } (X \circ \alpha)'(0) \text{ with } \alpha : (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}, \alpha(0) = (u_0, v_0) \}$

$$(I) \quad (X \circ \alpha)' = DX(\alpha(0)) \cdot \alpha'(0)$$

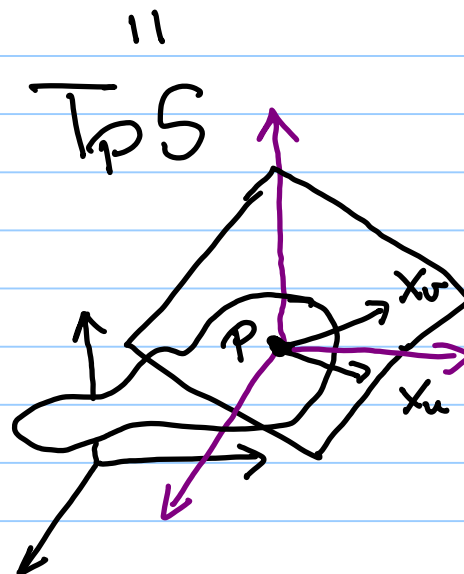
$$= \alpha'_1(0)X_u + \alpha'_2(0)X_v.$$

$$(II) \quad \text{For given } a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \text{ choose } \alpha(t) = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 + at \\ v_0 + bt \end{pmatrix}$$

then

$$(X \circ \alpha)'(0) = aX_u + bX_v.$$

" $T_p S$  is a 2-D Subspace of  $\mathbb{R}_p^3$ ."



Idea : As in the study of curves, find a better way to describe the surface locally.

Recall : graph of a function from calculus

$$h : U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1 \leftarrow \text{not } 3$$

$$S = \text{graph}(h)$$

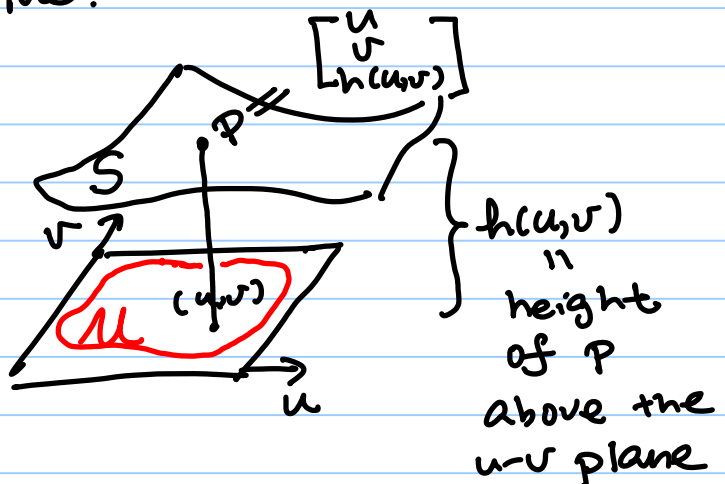
$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ h(u,v) \end{bmatrix} : (u,v) \in U \right\}$$

$(u,v) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{X}} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ h(u,v) \end{bmatrix}$  is always a regular parameterization of  $S$ .

$$D\mathbb{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ h_u & h_v \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{has rank 2 everywhere}$$

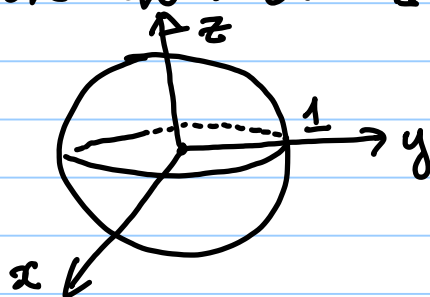
Not only is  $\mathbb{X}$  locally injective, it is globally injective.

🚩  $S = \text{graph}(h)$  is always a regular surface  
(For any  $p \in S$ , simply choose  $V_p = \mathbb{R}^3$ )



Is it true that every regular surface is the graph of a function  $h: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Definitely not globally



Maybe locally?

For any given point  $p \in S$ , can we always find a neighborhood of  $p$ ,  $V$ , s.t.

$$V \cap S = \text{graph}(h)$$



$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ h(x,y) \end{bmatrix} : (x,y) \in U \right\}$$

for some  $h: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ?

E.g.  $S = \text{unit sphere in } \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  
Seems possible for most  $P$ .

What about  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ?

Doesn't work, as any neighborhood of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  involves points

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right\} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

← both positive and negative

What to do?

How about  $\begin{bmatrix} h(y,z) \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  or  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ h(x,z) \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ ?

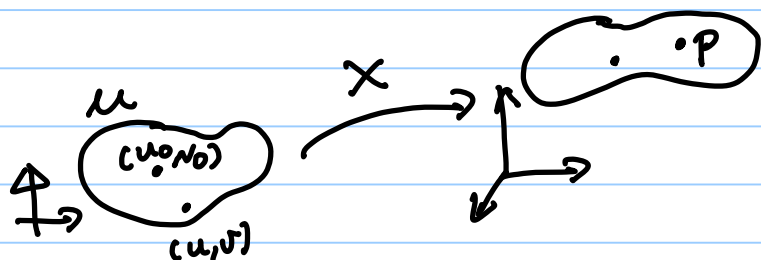


When to use which and how to argue rigorously?

🚩 Local linear approximation:

When  $(u, v) \approx (u_0, v_0)$ ,

$$\bar{X}(u, v) \approx \bar{X}(u_0, v_0) + d\bar{X}(u_0, v_0) \begin{bmatrix} u - u_0 \\ v - v_0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$d\bar{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \\ y_u & y_v \\ z_u & z_v \end{bmatrix}$  is rank 2 means at least one of  $\begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \\ y_u & y_v \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \\ z_u & z_v \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} y_u & y_v \\ z_u & z_v \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible.

Depending on which one, compose  $\bar{X}$  with one of the following projection maps:

$$\pi_3 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}, \pi_2 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} x \\ z \end{bmatrix}, \pi_1 : \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\pi_i \circ \bar{X} : U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\cancel{3}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(\pi_i \circ \bar{X}) &= d\pi_i \cdot d\bar{X} \quad (\text{chain rule}) \\ &= \pi_i \cdot d\bar{X} \quad (\pi_i \text{ is already linear}) \end{aligned}$$

which is invertible.

By the inverse function theorem, the nonlinear  $\pi_i \circ \bar{X}$  is locally invertible.

i.e.

$$\exists \tilde{u} \subset u$$

$\downarrow$   
(u\_0, v\_0)

so that

$$\pi_i \circ \bar{X} : \tilde{u} \rightarrow \underbrace{\pi_i \circ \bar{X}(\tilde{u})}_{\tilde{u}_i} \text{ has a differentiable inverse.}$$

so

$X_i(u, v)$  can now be  
reparameterized as a  
height function over the

x-y plane	$i=3$
y-z plane	$i=1$
x-z plane	$i=2$

i.e.  $X_i \circ (\pi_i \circ \bar{X})^{-1} : \tilde{u}_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$X(\tilde{u}) = \begin{cases} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ X_3 \circ (\pi_3 \circ \bar{X})^{-1}(x, y) \end{bmatrix} : (x, y) \in \tilde{u}_3 \right\} & \text{if } i=3 \\ \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ z \\ X_2 \circ (\pi_2 \circ \bar{X})^{-1}(x, z) \end{bmatrix} : (x, z) \in \tilde{u}_2 \right\} & \text{if } i=2 \\ \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} y \\ z \\ X_1 \circ (\pi_1 \circ \bar{X})^{-1}(y, z) \end{bmatrix} : (y, z) \in \tilde{u}_1 \right\} & \text{if } i=1 \end{cases}$$

Recap :

graph of a <sup>bivariate</sup> function  
always  $\rightarrow$  regular surface <sup>in  $\mathbb{R}^3$</sup>   
"locally"  $\leftarrow$

[good to be able to encode information  
with one number instead of three]

But

$$z = f(x, y), \quad y = g(x, z) \quad \text{or} \quad x = h(y, z)$$

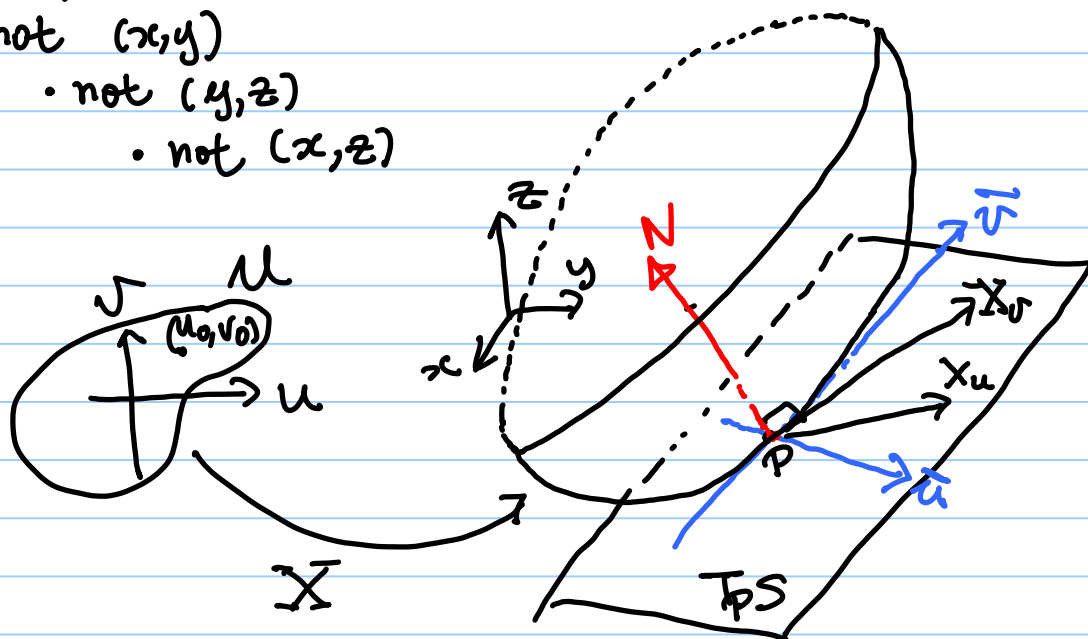
are still not the most convenient  
height function to describe the local  
geometry of  $S$ . Well, why should  
they, after all? The  $x, y, z$ -axes  
can be quite meaningless to the  
shape of  $S$ .

Wouldn't it be better to locally parameterize  
 $S$  (near a point  $p \in S$ ) by the  
height of  $S$  over the tangent  
plane  $T_p S$ ?

[we shall see what 'better' means.]

parameters to use :

- not  $(u, v)$ 
  - not  $(x, y)$ 
    - not  $(y, z)$
    - not  $(x, z)$



- but  $(\bar{u}, \bar{v})$ .

Note : While  $\text{span}(X_u, X_v) = T_p S$ ,  
 $\{X_u, X_v\}$  is not an o.n. basis.

Choose an o.n. basis  $\{e_1, e_2\}$ , so

$$N = e_1 \times e_2 = X_u \times X_v / \|X_u \times X_v\|$$

Height of  $X(u, v)$  above  $T_p S$

$$= \langle N, X(u, v) - X(u_0, v_0) \rangle$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle X(u, v) - p, e_1 \rangle \\ \langle X(u, v) - p, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

Note : The point  $p$  has been chosen and fixed,  
the frame  $\{e_1, e_2, N\}$  does not move.

NOT a "moving frame" (for now.)

Instead,  $(u, v)$  moves around  $(u_0, v_0)$   
 $(\bar{u}, \bar{v})$  moves around  $(0, 0)$   
 $X(u, v)$  moves around  $p = X(u_0, v_0)$

[ But, we shall change this point of view  
later. ]

In the following, assume

$$X(u_0, v_0) = p = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

just so that I can write " $X(u, v)$ "  
instead of " $X(u, v) - X(u_0, v_0)$ ".

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Aside :

If  $X_u = a e_1 + b e_2$

$$X_v = c e_1 + d e_2$$

then the "change of basis matrix" is :

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle X_u, e_1 \rangle & \langle X_u, e_2 \rangle \\ \langle X_v, e_1 \rangle & \langle X_v, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} X_u & X_v \end{bmatrix}.$$

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$$\textcircled{1} \text{ Height} = \langle \bar{X}(u,v), N \rangle = N^T X(u,v)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \bar{X}(u,v), e_1 \rangle \\ \langle \bar{X}(u,v), e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} =: x(u,v)$$

$$\text{or} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} (u_0, v_0) & & (0, 0) \\ (u, v) & \xrightarrow{x} & (\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \\ & \xleftarrow{?} & \end{array}$$

want to parameterize  $S$  in a neighborhood of  $p$  by:

$$\text{Height}(\bar{u}, \bar{v})$$

Need: solve the (nonlinear)  $2 \times 2$  system  $\textcircled{2}$ , write  $(u, v)$  in terms of  $(\bar{u}, \bar{v})$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad (u, v) = x^{-1}(\bar{u}, \bar{v})$$

Then "plug into"  $\textcircled{1}$  to define:

$$h(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) := \langle \bar{X}(x^{-1}(\bar{u}, \bar{v})), N \rangle.$$

Does  $x^{-1}$  "exist locally"?

Inverse function theorem again,

$$d_x X(u_0, v_0) = \begin{bmatrix} \langle \bar{X}_u, e_1 \rangle & \langle \bar{X}_v, e_1 \rangle \\ \langle \bar{X}_u, e_2 \rangle & \langle \bar{X}_v, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} \Big|_{(u_0, v_0)}$$

$2 \times 2$

(why?)

the change of basis matrix

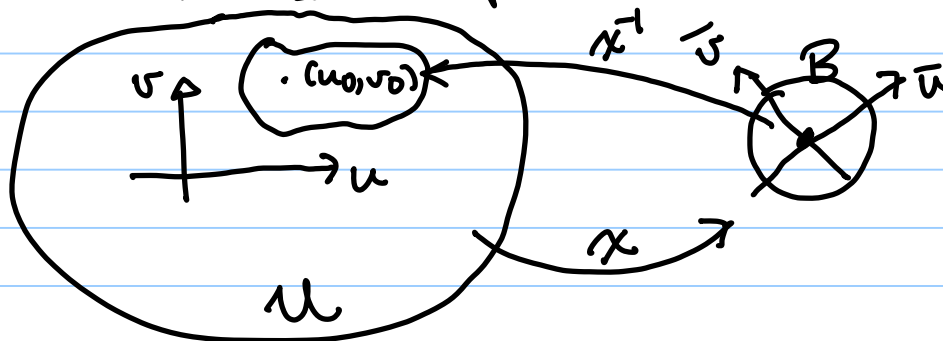
$$= \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \end{bmatrix}$$

$2 \times 3 \quad 3 \times 2$

← rank 2

So  $d\chi(x_0, v_0)$  is invertible,

so  $\exists$  an open ball around  $(0,0)$ ,  $B$ ,



s.t.  $\chi^{-1} : B \rightarrow U$  differentiable  
exists, i.e.

$$\chi(\chi^{-1}(\bar{u}, \bar{v})) = (\bar{u}, \bar{v})$$

$$\forall (\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \in B.$$

and

$$\chi^{-1}(\chi(u, v)) = (u, v)$$

$$\forall (u, v) \in \chi^{-1}(B).$$

$$h : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$$

$$h(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) = \langle \bar{X} \circ \chi^{-1}(\bar{u}, \bar{v}), N \rangle = N^T \cdot \bar{X} \circ \chi^{-1}(\bar{u}, \bar{v})$$

$$\text{parameterize } \bar{X}(\chi^{-1}(B)) \subset S$$

Why is this parameterization better than the previous ones?

$$h(0,0) = 0$$

$$dh(0,0) \stackrel{\text{chain rule}}{=} N^T \cdot (d\bar{X}(p) \cdot \underbrace{d\chi^{-1}(0,0)}_?)$$

$$dh(0,0) = \left[ \left\langle N, \cdot \right\rangle_{\frac{\partial}{\partial s}}, \left\langle N, \cdot \right\rangle_{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} \right] = [0, 0].$$

$$h(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) = 0 + [0, 0] \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} [\bar{u} \ \bar{v}] \begin{bmatrix} h_{\bar{u}\bar{u}} & h_{\bar{u}\bar{v}} \\ h_{\bar{v}\bar{u}} & h_{\bar{v}\bar{v}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so near } (0,0) \quad + O(\| \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix} \|^3)$$

$$h(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \approx \frac{1}{2} [\bar{u} \ \bar{v}] \begin{bmatrix} h_{\bar{u}\bar{u}} & h_{\bar{u}\bar{v}} \\ h_{\bar{v}\bar{u}} & h_{\bar{v}\bar{v}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\quad = A\bar{u}^2 + B\bar{u}\bar{v} + C\bar{v}^2)$$

How does the graph of such a bivariate quadratic function look like?



🚩 The innocent fact that "order does not matter when taking mixed partials" means

$\begin{bmatrix} h_{\bar{u}\bar{u}} & h_{\bar{u}\bar{v}} \\ h_{\bar{v}\bar{u}} & h_{\bar{v}\bar{v}} \end{bmatrix}$  is a symmetric matrix.

so it has orthogonal eigenvectors.

By choosing  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  to be the eigen-directions, the Hessian matrix becomes diagonal,

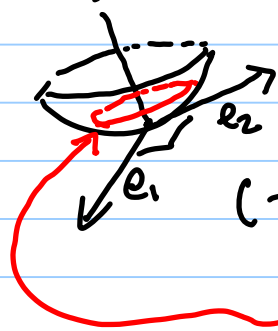
$$h(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) \approx \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_1 \bar{u}^2 + \lambda_2 \bar{v}^2) \quad \begin{bmatrix} \overset{\text{real}}{\lambda_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



How does the graph of such a bivariate quadratic function look like?

- If  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 > 0$  (ie.  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  both +ve or -ve)

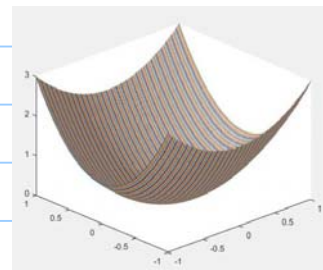
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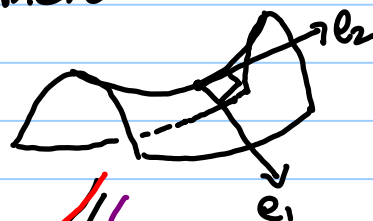
P is called Elliptic.

(The local level curves are ellipses:

$$\lambda_1 \bar{u}^2 + \lambda_2 \bar{v}^2 = C)$$



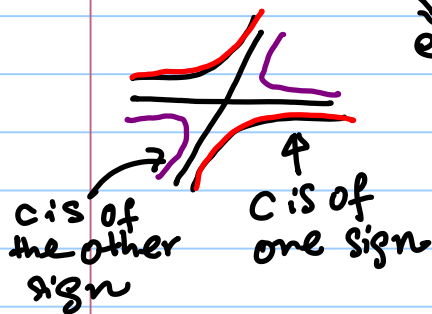
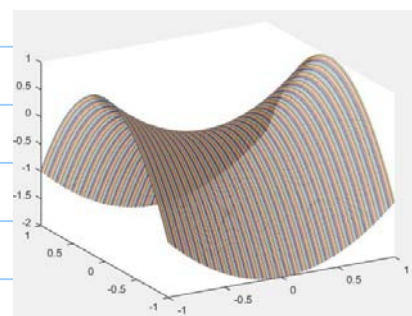
- If  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 < 0$  (one +ve, one -ve) then



P is called Hyperbolic.

The local level curves are hyperbola

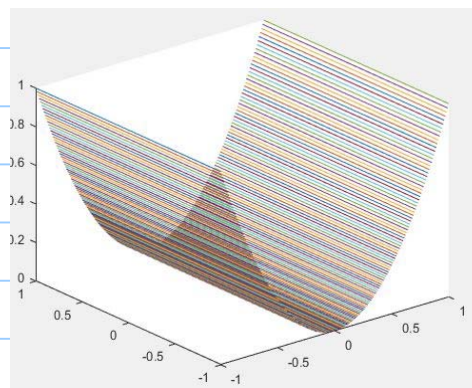
$$\lambda_1 \bar{u}^2 + \lambda_2 \bar{v}^2 = C$$



- If  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = 0$ , but  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \neq (0, 0)$  then P is called

Parabolic.

But not because of the level curves this time.



- If  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (0, 0)$  then Planar.

called principle curvatures



HW #2 : If  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2$ ,

$\lambda_1$  (resp.  $\lambda_2$ ) = max (resp. min) curvature  
among all regular curves passing  
through  $P$ .

I always feel :

- ① NOT Intuitively clear why at every  
point of a regular surface there  
should be two orthogonal directions  
 $e_1, e_2$  — Principle Directions @  $P$

s.t. the surface 'curves' the most  
and the least!

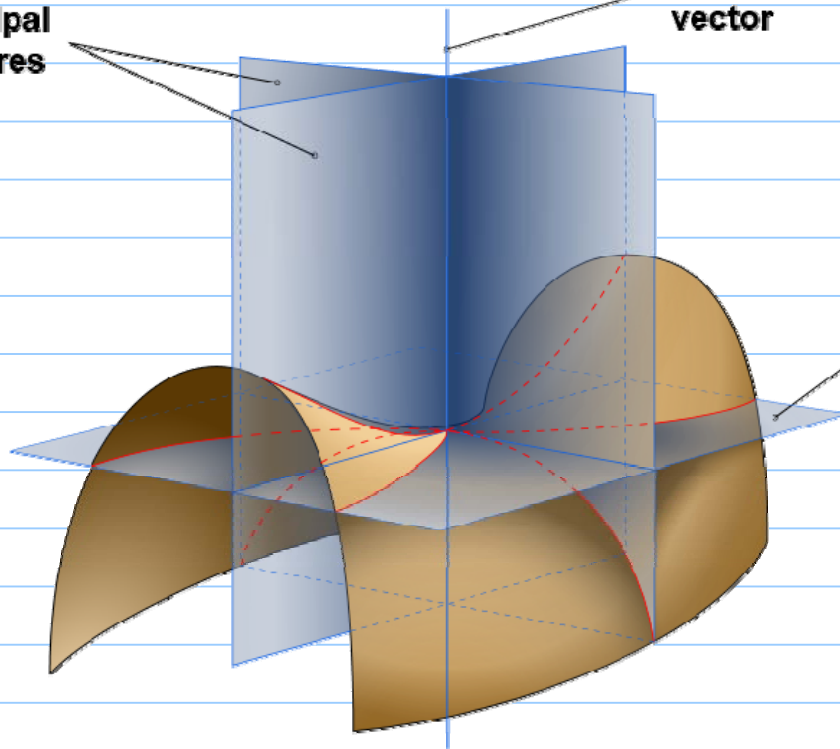
- ② It's unfortunate that  
NOT every linear map is diagonalizable,  
but the symmetric (self-adjoint)  
ones always are. Not only that,  
their eigenvectors are orthogonal,  
and eigenvalues are real.

Good thing is that these two  
mathematical phenomena are almost  
the same one.

planes  
of principal  
curvatures

normal  
vector

tangent  
plane



Can we write  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  in terms of  $X$ ?  
 $e_1, e_2$

If for no better reasons, at least we want to have formulas to compute the principle curvatures and directions from formulas of  $X$ ?

Again, for convenience, <sup>assume</sup>  $p = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{u} \\ \bar{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle X(u,v), e_1 \rangle \\ \langle X(u,v), e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} =: x(u,v) \quad \text{a standard abuse of notations}$$

$$h(\bar{u}, \bar{v}) = \langle N, X(u,v) \rangle = N^T X(\overbrace{u(\bar{u}, \bar{v}), v(\bar{u}, \bar{v})})$$

$$h_{\bar{u}} = N^T \left( X_u \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + X_v \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} \right)$$

$$h_{\bar{v}} = N^T \left( X_u \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} + X_v \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \right)$$

$$h_{\bar{u}\bar{u}} = N^T \left[ \begin{aligned} & \left( X_{uu} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + X_{uv} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} \right) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + X_u \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \bar{u}^2} \\ & + \left( X_{vu} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + X_{vv} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} \right) \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} + X_v \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \bar{u}^2} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad (\bar{u}, \bar{v}) = (0, 0)$$

$$(u, v) = (u_0, v_0)$$

$$N^T X_{uu}(u_0, v_0) = e$$

$$N^T X_{uv}(u_0, v_0) = f$$

$$N^T X_{vv}(u_0, v_0) = g$$

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\bar{u}\bar{u}}(0,0) = & \left( e \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + f \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} \right) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + \cancel{N^T X_u(u_0, v_0) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \bar{u}^2}} \\ & + \left( f \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + g \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} \right) \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} + \cancel{N^T X_v(u_0, v_0) \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \bar{u}^2}} \end{aligned}$$

all derivatives  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial v} \end{bmatrix} = dx^{-1}(0,0)$  are evaluated at  $(0,0)$

Similarly,

$$h_{\bar{u}\bar{v}}(0,0) = \left( e \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} + f \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \right) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} + \left( f \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} + g \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \right) \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}}$$

$$h_{\bar{v}\bar{v}}(0,0) = \left( e \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} + f \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \right) \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} + \left( f \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} + g \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \right) \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}}$$

$$\text{Hess}(h)(0,0) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \end{bmatrix}}_{[dx^{-1}(0,0)]^T} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ f & g \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{u}} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{v}} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{u}} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{v}} \end{bmatrix}}_{dx^{-1}(0,0)}$$

still not a good formula to compute with, as  $x, x^{-1}$  involve  $\{e_1, e_2\}$ .

$$dx(u,v) = \begin{bmatrix} \langle x_u, e_1 \rangle, \langle x_v, e_1 \rangle \\ \langle x_u, e_2 \rangle, \langle x_v, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} dx^{-1}(0,0) &= [dx(u_0, v_0)]^{-1} \\ &= \left[ \begin{bmatrix} \langle x_u, e_1 \rangle, \langle x_v, e_1 \rangle \\ \langle x_u, e_2 \rangle, \langle x_v, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} \right]_{(u_0, v_0)}^{-1} \\ &= \underbrace{\left( [e_1, e_2]^T [x_u, x_v] \right)^{-1}}_{dx(u_0, v_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Trick:

$$[dx(u_0, v_0)]^{-1} \text{Hess}(h)(0,0) [dx(u_0, v_0)]$$

$$= \underbrace{\left[ dx(u_0, v_0) \right] \left[ dx(u_0, v_0) \right]^T}_{\left[ dx(u_0, v_0) \cdot dx(u_0, v_0)^T \right]^{-1}} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ f & g \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left[ \begin{matrix} x_u & x_v \end{matrix} \right]^T \begin{matrix} e_1 & e_2 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} e_1 & e_2 \end{matrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \end{bmatrix}$$

3x2      2x3

|| ← why?

$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle x_u, e_1 \rangle & \langle x_u, e_2 \rangle & 0 \\ \langle x_v, e_1 \rangle & \langle x_v, e_2 \rangle & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left[ \begin{matrix} x_u & x_v \end{matrix} \right]^T \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 & N \end{bmatrix}^T}_{I_{3 \times 3}} \begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \end{bmatrix} \right]^{-1}$$

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} \langle x_u, x_u \rangle & \langle x_u, x_v \rangle \\ \langle x_v, x_u \rangle & \langle x_v, x_v \rangle \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

$F$        $F$        $G$

$$[dx(u_0, v_0)]^{-1} \text{Hess}(h)(0,0) [dx(u_0, v_0)]$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{bmatrix}^{-1}}_{\text{called the first fundamental form of } S} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ f & g \end{bmatrix} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{bmatrix}^{-1}} \right\} \text{called the second fundamental form of } S$$

[Q: What's so fundamental about E, F, G !?]

Note :  $dX(u,v) = \begin{bmatrix} \langle x_u, e_1 \rangle & \langle x_v, e_1 \rangle \\ \langle x_u, e_2 \rangle & \langle x_v, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}$

is the change of basis matrix on  $T_p S$  :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_u & x_v \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 & e_2 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \langle x_u, e_1 \rangle & \langle x_v, e_1 \rangle \\ \langle x_u, e_2 \rangle & \langle x_v, e_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}}_{\text{not orthogonal}}$$

NOT o.n.                      o.n.

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ f & g \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{not symmetric} \\ \text{(unless } [x_u, x_v] \text{ is o.n.)} \end{array} \\ &= \frac{1}{EG-F^2} \begin{bmatrix} G & -F \\ -F & E \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ f & g \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{EG-F^2} \begin{bmatrix} eG-fF & fG-gF \\ -eF+fG & -fF+gE \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = \text{trace} = \frac{1}{EG-F^2} (eG - 2fF + gE)$$

$$\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \det = \frac{1}{EG-F^2} (eg - f^2)$$

$H := (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)/2$	mean curvature
$K := \lambda_1 \lambda_2$	Gauss curvature

characteristic polynomial :

$$\lambda^2 - \underbrace{(\text{trace})}_{2H} \lambda + \underbrace{(\det)}_{K} = 0$$

principal curvatures  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 = H \pm \sqrt{H^2 - K}$ .

Def: When  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ ,  $P$  is called an umbilical point.

E.g. Every point of a sphere is umbilical.

Note :

$$N = X_u \times X_v / \|X_u \times X_v\|$$

depends on the "orientation of the parameterization"

E.g. If we change the parameterization from  $X(u, v)$  to  $X(v, u)$  then the order of the basis of  $T_p(S)$  is changed

$$\begin{aligned} \{X_u, X_v\} &\rightarrow \{X_v, X_u\}, \\ \text{consequently} \quad N &\rightarrow -N \end{aligned}$$

Ex: • Check that magnitudes of  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, K, H$  are invariant under reparameterization (as they should.)

•  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, H$  change signs under a change of orientation of the parameterization.

$K$  is insensitive to orientation.



Yet another observation :

$$\langle N, X_u \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle N_u, X_u \rangle + \langle N, X_{uu} \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \langle N, X_{uu} \rangle = -\langle N_u, X_u \rangle$$

Similarly

$$f = \langle N, X_{uv} \rangle = -\langle N_v, X_u \rangle$$

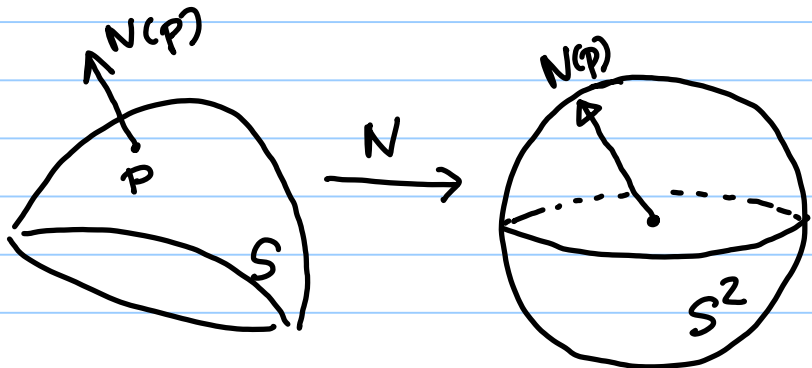
$$g = \langle N, X_{vv} \rangle = -\langle N_v, X_v \rangle.$$

🚩 The moment we write  $N_u, N_v$ , we begin to think of  $N$  as moving.

$\{X_u, X_v, N\}$  is thought of as a "moving frame" on  $S$ .

Def :  $N : S \rightarrow \{\text{unit sphere}\} =: S^2$

is called the Gauss map of  $S$ .



Def A regular surface is called orientable if it has a continuous Gauss map.

E.g. It can be shown that the Mobius band is not orientable

(see Do Carmo CBS, sec 2-6)

Proposition :

$S$  has a continuous Gauss map  
iff

it is possible to cover  $S$  with a family of coordinate neighborhoods,  
i.e.

$X_\alpha : U_\alpha \rightarrow S$  (regular local parameterizations)  
s.t.

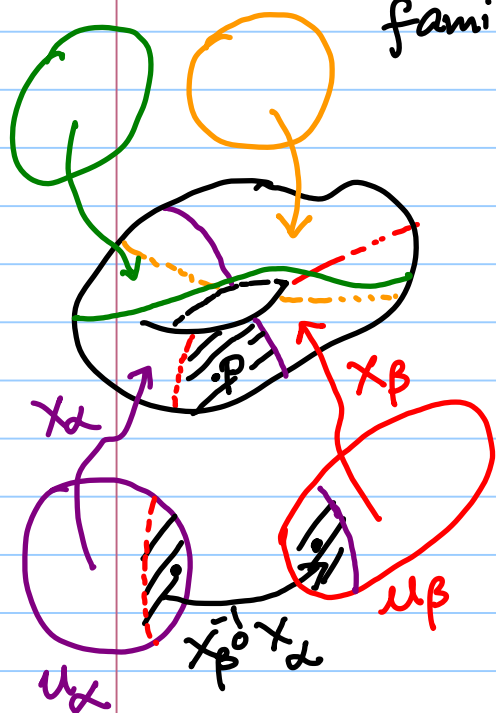
$\bigcup_\alpha X_\alpha(U_\alpha) = S$   
in such a way that  
if

$P \in X_\alpha(U_\alpha) \cap X_\beta(U_\beta)$

then

$X_\beta^{-1} \circ X_\alpha$  has a  
positive Jacobian @  $X_\alpha^{-1}(P)$

i.e.  $\det \left( \underbrace{d(X_\beta^{-1} \circ X_\alpha)}_{2 \times 2} \right) \Big|_{X_\alpha^{-1}(P)} > 0$

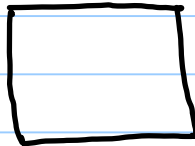
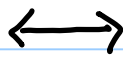
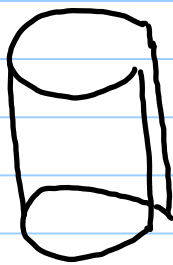


Proof : see Do Carmo CBS, sec. 2-6.

[more about the Gauss map later...]

The grand challenge questions :

- what determines the surface up to rigid motion in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  ?
- what determines the surface up to isometry ?



not congruent

but isometric  
(recall lecture 2)



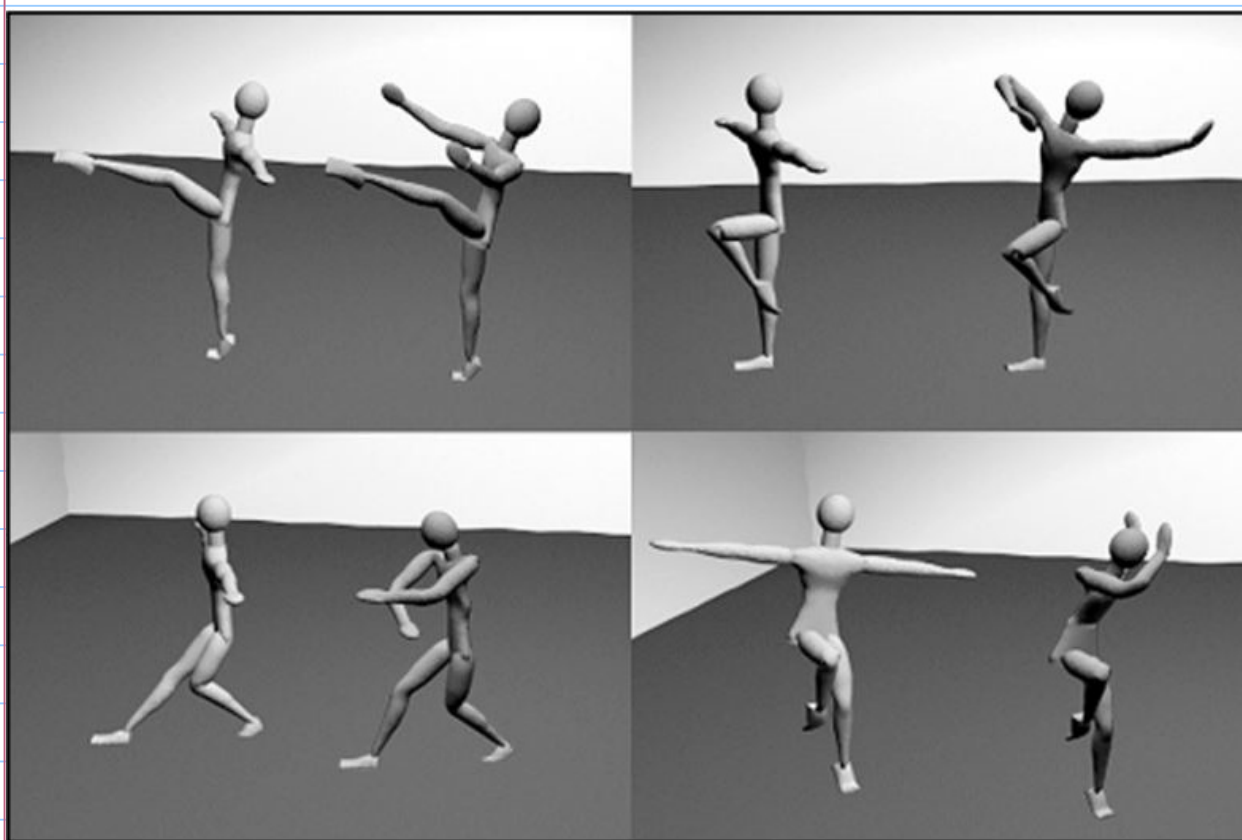
- same face (approximate isometries)
  - different expressions



isometry  
possible?



[But let's see some higher dimensional  
surfaces / manifolds first.]



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