

Homework 3

In all exercises we assume by default that Riemannian metric on embedded surfaces is induced by the Euclidean metric.

1 Show that surface of the cone $\begin{cases} x^2 + y^2 - k^2 z^2 = 0 \\ z > 0 \end{cases}$ in \mathbf{E}^3 is locally Euclidean Riemannian surface, (is locally isometric to Euclidean plane).

2 a) Consider the conic surface C defined by the equation $x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 0$ in \mathbf{E}^3 . Consider a part of this conic surface between planes $z = 0$ and $z = H > 0$, and remove the line $z = -x, y = 0$ from this part of conic surface C . We come to the surface D defined by the conditions

$$\begin{cases} x^2 + y^2 - z^2 = 0 \\ 0 < z < H \\ y \neq 0 \text{ if } x < 0 \end{cases}.$$

Find a domain D' in Euclidean plane such that it is isometric to the surface D .

mb) Find a shortest distance between points $A = (1, 0, 1)$ and $B = (-1, 0, 1)$, between points $A = (1, 0, 1)$ and $D = (0, 1, 1)$, for an ant living on the conic surface C .

3 Consider plane with Riemannian metric given in Cartesian coordinates (x, y) by the formula

$$G = \frac{a((dx)^2 + (dy)^2)}{(1 + x^2 + y^2)^2},$$

and a sphere of the radius r in the Euclidean space \mathbf{E}^3 . Find a value of the parameter r such that this plane is isometric to the sphere without north pole. Justify your answer. (You may use the formula for Riemannian metric on the sphere in stereographic coordinates.)

4 Consider catenoid: $x^2 + y^2 = \cosh^2 z$ and helicoid: $y - x \tan z = 0$.

Find induced Riemannian metrics on these surfaces.

Show that under suitable changing of local coordinates metric of catenoid and metric of helicoid have the same appearance.

* This means that there exists an isometry between..... (*finish the sentence*)

5 a) Consider the domain D on the cone $x^2 + y^2 - k^2 z^2$ defined by the condition $0 < z < H$. Find an area of this domain using induced Riemannian metric. Compare with the answer when using standard formulae.

6 Find an area of 2-dimensional sphere of radius R using explicit formulae for induced Riemannian metric in stereographic coordinates.

7 Show that two spheres of different radii in Euclidean space are not isometric to each other.

8 Find new coordinates $u = u(x, y), v = v(x, y)$ in Euclidean space \mathbf{E}^2 such that $du^2 + dv^2 = dx^2 + dy^2$. (You may assume that functions $u(x, y), v(x, y)$ are linear: $u = a + bx + cy, v = c + dx + fy$, where a, b, c, d are constants.)

Show that the transformation is a composition of translation, rotation and reflection.

* Will answer change if we allow arbitrary (not only linear functions $u(x, y), v(x, y)$)?

9 Let D be a domain in Lobachevsky plane which is lying between lines $x = a, x = -a$ and outside of the disc $x^2 + y^2 = 1, (0 < a < 1)$: $D = \{(x, y): |x| < a, x^2 + y^2 > 1\}$,

a) Find the area of this domain.

b*) Find the angles between lines and arc of the circle.

Lobachevsky plane, i.e. hyperbolic plane is the upper half plane with Riemannian metric $\frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{y^2}$ in Cartesian coordinates x, y ($y > 0$).

10[†] Find a volume of n -dimensional sphere of radius a . (You may use Riemannian metric in stereographic coordinates, or you may do it in other way... You just have to calculate the answer.)

Hint: One way to do it is the following. Denote by σ_n the volume of n -dimensional unit sphere embedded in Euclidean space \mathbf{E}^{n+1} . One can see that the volume of n -dimensional sphere of the radius R equals to $\sigma_n R^n$. We need to calculate just σ_n . Consider the following integral:

$$I_k = \int e^{-r^2} dx^1 dx^2 \dots dx^k,$$

where $r^2 = (x^1)^2 + (x^2)^2 + \dots + (x^k)^2$. One can see that on one hand

$$I_k = \int e^{-r^2} dx^1 dx^2 \dots dx^k = \left(\int e^{-x^2} dx \right)^k = \pi^{\frac{k}{2}}.$$

On the other hand $I_k = \int e^{-r^2} dx^1 dx^2 \dots dx^k = \sigma_{k-1} \int e^{-r^2} r^{k-1} dr$. Comparing these integrals we calculate σ_n .