

# Final Exam

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- 1.** [Exercise 3.63] Let  $N$  be an orientation for  $S$ , and  $p \in S$ . Let  $v_1, v_2$  be a positively oriented basis on  $T_p S$ . Then  $df_p: T_p S \rightarrow T_{f(p)} \tilde{S}$  is an isomorphism between two tangent spaces. Define  $\tilde{N}(f(p))$  as the unit vector orthogonal to  $T_{f(p)} \tilde{S}$  at  $f(p)$ , which is parallel to  $df_p(v_1) \times df_p(v_2)$ . Note that  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  can be chosen smoothly for  $p$ , so  $df_p(v_1) \times df_p(v_2)$  is also smooth with this choice. Thus,  $\tilde{N}(f(p)) = \frac{df_p(v_1) \times df_p(v_2)}{|df_p(v_1) \times df_p(v_2)|}$  becomes a well-defined orientation for  $\tilde{S}$ .

2. [Exercise 3.74] The surface can be parametrized with  $\sigma(u, v) = (u, e^{-u} \cos v, e^{-u} \sin v)$  for  $u \in (0, \infty)$  and  $v \in [0, 2\pi)$ .

$$\sigma_u(u, v) = (1, -e^{-u} \cos v, e^{-u} \sin v)$$

and

$$\sigma_v(u, v) = (0, -e^{-u} \sin v, e^{-u} \cos v)$$

so that  $\|d\sigma_{(u,v)}\| = e^{-u}\sqrt{2}$ . Therefore,

$$Area = \int_0^\infty \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{2}e^{-u} dv du = 2\sqrt{2}\pi,$$

which is finite.

**3.** [Exercise 3.106] Let  $\sigma(t, s) = s \cdot \gamma(t)$ . Then,

$$E = s^2 |\gamma'(t)|^2,$$

$$F = s \langle \gamma'(t), \gamma(t) \rangle,$$

$$G = |\gamma(t)|^2.$$

So, the first fundamental form of the generalized cone is

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = s^2 |\gamma'(t)|^2 dt^2 + 2s \langle \gamma'(t), \gamma(t) \rangle dt ds + |\gamma(t)|^2 ds^2.$$

4. [Exercise 4.9] Since  $S$  is an oriented regular surface, we can think of principal curvatures of  $S$  at  $p$ , say  $k_1$  and  $k_2$ . Then

$$H^2 = \left( \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{k_1 - k_2}{2} \right)^2 + k_1 k_2 \geq K.$$

5. [Exercise 4.11] Since  $\gamma$  is a unit-speed curve in  $S^2$ , we have  $N(\gamma(t)) = \gamma(t)$  (since  $N$  is chosen to point outward). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t), \gamma''(t) \rangle &= \langle \gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t), \kappa_n(t) \cdot \gamma(t) + \kappa_g(t) \cdot R_{90}(\gamma'(t)) \rangle \\ &= \kappa_g(t) \langle \gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t), R_{90}(\gamma'(t)) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

as  $\gamma(t)$  and  $\gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t)$  are orthogonal. Since  $\gamma'(t)$ ,  $R_{90}(\gamma'(t))$ , and  $\gamma(t) = N(\gamma(t))$  form an (positively oriented) orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , we have  $\gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t) = R_{90}(\gamma'(t))$ . Therefore,  $\langle \gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t), R_{90}(\gamma'(t)) \rangle = 1$  and hence we have  $\langle \gamma(t) \times \gamma'(t), \gamma''(t) \rangle = \kappa_g(t)$ .

- 6.** [Exercise 4.32] Let  $v_1, v_2$  be an orthonormal basis of  $T_p S$  with respect to which  $\mathcal{W}_p$  is represented by a diagonal matrix. Note that  $II_p$  is the quadratic form associated to  $\mathcal{W}_p$ . Then, taking a point on the circle described in the problem,  $v = (\cos t)v_1 + (\sin t)v_2 \in T_p S$  with  $0 \leq t < 2\pi$ , we have

$$II_p(v) = \langle \mathcal{W}_p(v), v \rangle = k_1 \cos^2 t + k_2 \sin^2 t.$$

Therefore, we the average of the normal curvature of  $S$  at  $p$  is

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (k_1 \cos^2 t + k_2 \sin^2 t) dt = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2} = H(p).$$

7. [Exercise 5.6] Let  $\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  be two geodesics and  $\gamma(t_0) = \tilde{\gamma}(t_0)$ . We will show first that  $\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  are the same on  $[t_0, \infty) \cap I$ . Define  $t_1 = \inf\{t \in I : t \geq t_0, \gamma(t) \neq \tilde{\gamma}(t)\}$ . Note that  $t_1$  is well-defined since there is an intersection of  $\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$ . If  $t_1 \notin I$ , then  $\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  are the same on  $[t_0, t_1) = [t_0, \infty) \cap I$ . If  $t_1 = \sup I$  and  $t_1 \in I$ , then  $\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  are the same on  $[t_0, t_1] = [t_0, \infty) \cap I$ . Otherwise, still  $\gamma(t_1) = \tilde{\gamma}(t_1)$  because of the continuity of two curves. (Consider an increasing sequence  $s_n \nearrow t_1$  in  $[t_0, \infty) \cap I$ , then  $\gamma(s_n) = \tilde{\gamma}(s_n)$  so that  $\gamma(t_1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma(s_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\gamma}(s_n) = \tilde{\gamma}(t_1)$ .) Then, using Proposition 5.3 at  $\gamma(t_1) = \tilde{\gamma}(t_1)$ , any two geodesics with the domain  $(t_1 - \epsilon, t_1 + \epsilon)$  should be equal where  $\epsilon = \epsilon(\gamma(t_1), 1)$  is provided by the proposition. So the proposition implies that  $\gamma(t)$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}(t)$  coincide for  $t \in [t_1, t_1 + \epsilon)$ , which contradicts to the definition of  $t_1$ . Therefore,  $\gamma$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  coincide on  $[t_0, \infty) \cap I$ .

Analogously, they coincide on  $(-\infty, t_0] \cap I$  vice versa. This completes the proof.

8. [Exercise 5.34] Proposition 5.28 says that for each fixed  $\theta_0$ ,  $g(r) = r - \frac{r^3}{6}K(p) + o(r^3)$  where  $o(r^3)$  means the error term in little-o notation. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{area}(C_r(p)) &= \int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{EG - F^2} \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} \\
 &= \int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} g(\tilde{r}) \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} \\
 &= \int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \tilde{r} - \frac{\tilde{r}^3}{6}K(p) + o(\tilde{r}^3) \right) \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} \\
 &= \int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \tilde{r} - \frac{\tilde{r}^3}{6}K(p) + o(\tilde{r}^3) \right) \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} \\
 &= 2\pi \frac{r^2}{2} - 2\pi \frac{r^4}{24}K(p) + o(r^4) = \pi r^2 - \pi \frac{r^4}{12}K(p) + o(r^4).
 \end{aligned}$$

as  $r \rightarrow 0$ . As  $o(r^4)/r^4 \rightarrow 0$ , we have the desired result when we express the formula above with the  $K(p)$  alone on the LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
 K(p) &= \frac{12}{\pi} \frac{\pi r^2 - \text{area}(C_r(p)) + o(r^4)}{r^4} \\
 &= \frac{12}{\pi} \frac{\pi r^2 - \text{area}(C_r(p))}{r^4} + o(1) \\
 &\longrightarrow \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{12}{\pi} \frac{\pi r^2 - \text{area}(C_r(p))}{r^4}.
 \end{aligned}$$

For the part that  $\int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} f(\tilde{r}, \theta) \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} = o(r^4)$  if  $f(r, \theta) = o(r^3)$ , we can observe that for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there is  $\delta > 0$  so that  $f(r, \theta) < \epsilon r^3$  for any  $0 \leq r < \delta$ , so

$$\int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} f(\tilde{r}, \theta) \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} \leq \int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} \epsilon \tilde{r}^3 \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r} = 2\pi \epsilon r^4$$

and hence  $\int_0^r \int_0^{2\pi} f(\tilde{r}, \theta) \, d\theta \, d\tilde{r}$  is  $o(r^4)$  since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary.



9. [Exercise 5.67] Let us show that  $\sigma(s, t) = \gamma(t) + s \cdot \mathbf{b}(t)$  makes  $\gamma(t)$  a geodesic. By Lemma 5.52,  $\gamma(t) = \sigma(0, t)$  is a geodesic in the surface generated by  $\sigma$  if and only if

$$u'' + (u')^2 \Gamma_{11}^1 + 2u'v' \Gamma_{12}^1 + (v')^2 \Gamma_{22}^1 = 0$$

and

$$v'' + (u')^2 \Gamma_{11}^2 + 2u'v' \Gamma_{12}^2 + (v')^2 \Gamma_{22}^2 = 0$$

where  $u(t) = 0$  and  $v(t) = t$ . That is,

$$\Gamma_{22}^1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{22}^2 = 0.$$

Observe that

$$\sigma_{tt} = \gamma''(t) + s \cdot \mathbf{b}''(t).$$

By Frenet–Serret formulas, we have  $\gamma''(t) = \mathbf{t}'(t) = \kappa \mathbf{n}(t)$ . Therefore, along  $\gamma(t)$ , i.e., when  $s = 0$ , we have  $\sigma_{tt} = \gamma''(t) = \kappa \mathbf{n}(t)$ . Note that  $\{\sigma_s = \mathbf{b}(t), \sigma_t = \gamma'(t) = \mathbf{t}(t), \mathbf{n}(t)\}$  is a positively oriented orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Therefore, we have  $N = \mathbf{n}(t)$  and hence  $\sigma_{tt} = \kappa N$ , which is parallel to  $N$ . This means  $\Gamma_{22}^1 = \Gamma_{22}^2 = 0$ , i.e.,  $\gamma$  is a geodesic in the surface induced by  $\sigma$ .

- 10.** [Exercise 6.9] Suppose that there are two simple closed geodesics  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  in  $S$  that do not intersect. Then, they induce a region  $S'$  bounded by  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  on  $S$ . Let  $f$  be a diffeomorphism between  $S$  and the unit sphere  $S^2$ , provided by Corollary 6.17. Then  $f(\gamma_1)$  and  $f(\gamma_2)$  are two curves on  $S^2$  which do not intersect on  $S^2$ , so they induce a region which is homeomorphic to a cylinder. Therefore,  $\chi(S') = 0$ . Now, by the global Gauss-Bonnet theorem, we have

$$\iint_{S'} K \, dA + \int_{\partial S'} \kappa_g(t) \, dt + \sum \alpha_i = 0.$$

Note that  $S'$  have no vertices on its boundary (two regular curves, which are images of  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  under  $f$ ). Also, since  $\gamma_i$  are geodesics, the second term in the LHS of the equation above is zero. Therefore, we meet  $\iint_{S'} K \, dA = 0$ , which is impossible since  $K > 0$ . Therefore, any two simple closed geodesics should intersect.