

# GEOMETRY HOMEWORK 8

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**Problem 4** (Ex p.101 14). (*Gradient on Surfaces.*) The gradient of a differentiable function  $f : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable map  $\text{grad } f : S \mapsto \mathbb{R}^3$  which assigns to each point  $p \in S$  a vector  $\text{grad } f(p) \in T_p(S) \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  such that

$$\langle \text{grad } f(p), v \rangle_p = df_p(v) \quad \text{for all } v \in T_p(S)$$

Show that

- (a) If  $E, F, G$  are the coefficients of the first fundamental form in a parametrization  $\mathbf{X} : U \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto S$ , then  $\text{grad } f$  on  $\mathbf{X}(U)$  is given by

$$\text{grad } f = \frac{f_u G - f_v F}{EG - F^2} \mathbf{X}_u + \frac{f_v E - f_u F}{EG - F^2} \mathbf{X}_v$$

In particular, if  $S = \mathbb{R}^2$  with coordinates  $x, y$ ,

$$\text{grad } f = f_x e_1 + f_y e_2$$

where  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  is the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (thus, the definition agrees with the usual definition of gradient in the plane)

- (b) 為什麼不直接將  $\text{gradient } f$  定義成  $f_u \mathbf{X}_u + f_v \mathbf{X}_v$ , 這有什麼缺點 (例如座標變換)

Proof.

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**Problem 7.** 計算下列 surface 的  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  (共有六項)

(b)  $(x(t), y(t) \cos \theta, y(t) \sin \theta)$

(c)  $E = G = \lambda^2, F = 0$

Proof.

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**Problem 8** (Ex p.237 1, 2). (a) Show that if  $\mathbf{X}$  is an orthogonal parametrization, that is,  $F = 0$ , then

$$K = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{EG}} \left\{ \left( \frac{E_v}{\sqrt{EG}} \right)_v + \left( \frac{G_u}{\sqrt{EG}} \right)_u \right\}$$

(b) Show that if  $\mathbf{X}$  is an isothermal parametrization, that is,  $E = G = \lambda(u, v)$  and  $F = 0$ , then

$$K = -\frac{1}{2\lambda}\Delta(\log \lambda)$$

where  $\Delta\phi$  denotes the Laplacian  $(\partial^2\phi/\partial u^2) + (\partial^2\phi/\partial v^2)$  of the function  $\phi$ . Conclude that when  $E = G = (u^2 + v^2 + c)^{-2}$  and  $F = 0$ , then  $K = \text{const} = 4c$ .

*Proof.*

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