

Temporarily jump ahead to § 6-7.

Propn 7.2: Let V and W be vector fields on a cpt orientable surface M , each having just finitely many zeroes. Then $I(V) = I(W)$. i.e. $\sum_{P: V(P)=0} i_P(V) = \sum_{P: W(P)=0} i_P(W)$.

Proof: Break M up into "triangles" δ_i so each triangle is contained in a simply connected coordinate patch, each triangle has at most one zero of V and one zero of W in its interior, and each zero of V or of W is in the interior of some triangle.

for each i , let u_i be a continuous field of unit vectors on M in the patch containing δ_i . Then $I(V) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_i \delta \angle(u_i, V, \delta_i)$, and

$I(W) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_i \delta \angle(u_i, W, \delta_i)$. Have:

$$I(V) - I(W) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_i [\delta \angle(u_i, V, \delta_i) - \delta \angle(u_i, W, \delta_i)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_i \delta \angle(W, V, \delta_i)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{\text{edges}} \delta \angle(W, V) = 0.$$

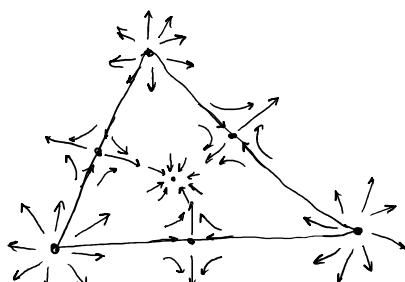
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Thm 7.3 (Poincaré-Brouwer):

Let M be a compact orientable surface. Let V be a \downarrow vector field on M having just finitely many zeroes. Then $I(V) = \chi(M)$.

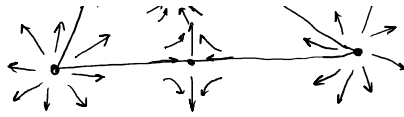
¶ by the proposition, it suffices to exhibit a \downarrow vector field W on M w/ just finitely many zeroes s.t. $I(W) = \chi(M)$.

Triangulate M into finitely many positively oriented triangles δ_i .



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Corollary Let M be a compact orientable surface w/ $\chi(M) \neq 0$.
(i.e. M is not homeomorphic to a torus).

Let V be a ^{cts} vector field on M having just finitely many zeroes. Then V has at least one zero.

eg Let M be a torus, so $\chi(M) = 0$. Then there is a cts v.f. V on M s.t. V has no zeroes.

Back to Section 6-4, The Gauss-Bonnet Formula
(or the local Gauss-Bonnet Theorem).

The Generalized rotation index theorem

Let $x: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} \mathbb{R}^n \subseteq M$ be a positively oriented C^1 patch and let γ be a C^1 -regular simple loop in \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = \gamma(e^{it})$ for $t \in [0, 2\pi]$. Let \tilde{T} be the unit tangent field for $\tilde{\gamma}$.
 $\hookrightarrow \tilde{T}(t) = T(e^{it})$.

Then $\oint \langle x_1, \tilde{T}, \tilde{\gamma} \rangle = \pm 2\pi$.
determined by $\tilde{\gamma}$'s orientation.

Pf $\oint \langle x_1, T, \tilde{\gamma} \rangle = 2\pi n$ where n is the winding # of the loop

$\alpha_0 = \langle x_1, T, \tilde{\gamma} \rangle$ wrt the origin in \mathbb{R}^2 .

Let $x_i = V^1 x_1 + V^2 x_2$ ($V^1=1, V^2=0$). Let $T = W^1 x_1 + W^2 x_2$.

Then $\alpha_0 = \left(\sum_{ij} g_{ij} V^i W^j, (V^1 W^2 - V^2 W^1) \sqrt{g} \right)$. Let $\alpha_1 = T = (W^1, W^2)$.

The winding # of α_1 is ± 1 by the rotation index theorem.

For $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$, let $g_{ij}^\lambda = (1-\lambda) g_{ij} + \lambda g_{ij}$.

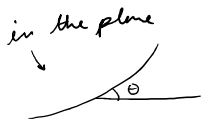
$$\text{let } \alpha_\lambda = \left(\sum_{i,j} g_{ij}^\lambda V^i W^j, (V^1 W^2 - V^2 W^1) \sqrt{g^\lambda} \right).$$

(g_{ij}^λ) is strictly positive definite (Convex combination of g_{ij} 's).

So α_λ is a loop in $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0,0\}$.

$\lambda \mapsto \alpha_\lambda$ is a 1 -to- 1 deformation of α_0 to α_1 in $\mathbb{R}^2 - \{0,0\}$,

so they have the same winding # wrt the origin. \square

in the plane

 $\dot{\theta} = K.$

Geodesic Curvature
as the rate of change of an oriented angle

Let (M, ν) be an oriented C^2 surface in \mathbb{R}^3 . Let γ be a C^2 unit-speed curve in M with tangent field T . Let V be a C^1 field of unit vectors that is parallel along γ on M . Set $\theta \in \angle(V, T|_\gamma)$. Then $\frac{d\theta}{ds} = K_\gamma$.

PF let $W(s) = \nu(\gamma(s)) \times V(s)$. Then W is also parallel along γ on M

(let $s_0 \in \text{dom}(\gamma)$ and let \tilde{W} be parallel along γ on M and satisfy $\tilde{W}(s_0) = W(s_0)$.)

then $|\tilde{W}| = 1$, $\langle \tilde{W} | V \rangle = 0$, $|W| = 1$, and $\langle W | V \rangle = 0$.

Hence $\tilde{W} = \pm W$ at each pt, and the \pm can't change (by continuity) and at s_0 it's $+$,

so $\tilde{W} = W$, so W is parallel along γ on M .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } K_\gamma S &= \text{tangential part of } T' = \text{tangential part of } \frac{d}{ds}(V \cos \theta + W \sin \theta) \\ &= (-V \sin \theta + W \cos \theta) \frac{d\theta}{ds} \quad (\text{since } V, W \text{ are parallel so } \frac{dV}{ds}, \frac{dW}{ds} \text{ have 0 tangential part}). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{But } S = \nu \times T = \nu \times (V \cos \theta + W \sin \theta) = W \cos \theta - V \sin \theta,$$

$$\text{so } K_\gamma S = S \frac{d\theta}{ds} \quad \text{so } K_\gamma = \frac{d\theta}{ds}. \quad \square$$

Thm 6-4 (The Local Gauss-Bonnet Theorem)



Let (M, ν) be an oriented C^3 surface in \mathbb{R}^3 . Let R be a curvilinear n -gonal region on M with piecewise C^2 boundary ∂R .

Let $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n \in (0, 2\pi)$ be the interior angles at the vertices of R .

Assume $R \subseteq V$ where $x: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} V \subseteq M$ is a C^3 patch in M . Then

$$\iint_R K \, dA + \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i = 2\pi$$

Assume $R \subseteq V$ where $x: U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} V \subseteq M$ is a C^∞ patch in M . Then

$$\iint_R K dA + \oint_{\partial R} \kappa_g ds + \sum_{i=1}^n (\pi - \beta_i) = 2\pi.$$

Corollary (The Gauss-Bonnet Theorem)

Let M be a compact orientable surface. Then

$$\iint_M K dA = 2\pi \chi(M).$$