

Exercises for the Lecture Differential Geometry Summer Term 2020

Sheet 7, Solution

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Resources: Up to Lesson 13; Up to p. 56 in [Fuc08]; Sections 2-1 - 2-5 and Section 3-1 - p. 143 in [Car16]

Exercise 1.

Consider for a, b, c > 0 the subsets of \mathbb{R}^3 :

- (i) $\left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1 \right\}$ (Ellipsoid),
- (ii) $\left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \ ; \ \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1 \right\}$ (Hyperboloid of one sheet),
- (iii) $\left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \ ; \ \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \frac{z^2}{c^2} = -1 \right\}$ (Hyperboloid of two sheets),
- (iv) $\left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \ ; \ \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} z = 0 \right\}$ (Elliptic paraboloid),
- (v) $\left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; \frac{x^2}{a^2} \frac{y^2}{b^2} z = 0 \right\}$ (Hyperbolic paraboloid).

Sketch these sets and describe subsets (as large as possible) via parameterized surfaces.

Exercise 2.

Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an interval, C the trace of an regular, parameterized by arc length, injective (planar) $\alpha \colon I \to \mathbb{R}^3$ with $\operatorname{Im}(\alpha) \subset \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; z = 0\}$ and let $P \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; z = 0\}$ be a fixed point. Let K be the set which is formed by a straight line through P which moves along the curve C.

- (i) Find a parametrization X with trace K.
- (ii) Calculate the Gauß mapping of X. When is X a regular surface?

(*Hint: Here and for the upcoming exercises (and the upcoming sheets) you do not have to show the injectivity and the continuity of the inverse!*)

(iii) Let P = (0, 0, 1). Examine the situation if C is the trace of the circle $\alpha \colon [0, 2\pi) \to \mathbb{R}^3$, $t \mapsto (\cos(t), \sin(t), 0)$ and provide a sketch.

Exercise 3.

Let

$$X \colon \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3, \ (u,v) \mapsto \frac{1}{u^2 + v^2 + 1} (2u, 2v, u^2 + v^2 - 1).$$

- (i) Show that X is a parameterized surface.
- (ii) Calculate the Gauß mapping N of X.

(iii) Describe the vector field $V \colon \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$, $(u, v) \mapsto (u, v, 1)$ along X in the form

$$V = V^1 X_u + V^2 X_v + V^3 N$$

with functions $V^k \colon \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R} \ (k \in \{1, 2, 3\}).$

(iv) Calculate the fundamental matrix G of the first fundamental form of X.

Exercise 4.

Describe the part of the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^3 which is covered by the image of the Gauß mapping of the following surfaces and provide sketches:

- (i) $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; x^2 + y^2 z = 0\}$ (Rotated paraboloid),
- (ii) $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; x^2 + y^2 z^2 = 1\}$ (Rotated hyperboloid),
- (iii) $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 ; x^2 + y^2 \cosh^2(z) = 0\}$ (Catenoide).

References

- [Car16] Manfredo P. do Carmo. Differential geometry of curves & surfaces. Revised & updated second edition. Dover Publications, Inc., Mineola, NY, 2016.
- [Fuc08] Martin Fuchs. Vorlesungsskript zur Differentialgeometrie. 2008.