

Advanced Topics in Geometry E (MTH.B501)

The Gauss and Codazzi equations

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The integrability conditions

The Gauss-Weingarten formulas:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial u^j} = \mathcal{F} \Omega_j, \quad \Omega_j = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{j1}^1 & \Gamma_{j2}^1 & -A_j^1 \\ \Gamma_{j1}^2 & \Gamma_{j2}^2 & -A_j^2 \\ h_{j1} & h_{j2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (j = 1, 2)$$

The integrability conditions:

$$\frac{\partial \Omega_1}{\partial u^2} - \frac{\partial \Omega_2}{\partial u^1} - \Omega_1 \Omega_2 + \Omega_2 \Omega_1 = O$$

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Theorem (Theorem 4.3)

The integrability condition of G-W formula is equivalent to the following three equalities:

$$h_{11,2} - h_{21,1} = \sum_j (\Gamma_{21}^j h_{1j} - \Gamma_{11}^j h_{2j})$$

$$h_{12,2} - h_{22,1} = \sum_j (\Gamma_{22}^j h_{1j} - \Gamma_{12}^j h_{2j})$$

$$K_{ds^2} = \frac{1}{g} (h_{11} h_{22} - h_{12} h_{21}) (= K)$$

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Theorem (Theorem 4.3, continued)

Here, $g := \det(g_{ij}) = g_{11}g_{22} - g_{12}g_{21}$, and

$$K_{ds^2} := \frac{1}{g} R_{12},$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{jk} &:= \frac{1}{2}(g_{1k,2j} - g_{1j,2k} + g_{2j,1k} - g_{2k,1j}) \\ &\quad - \sum_{i,s} g_{is}(\Gamma_{ks}^s \Gamma_{1j}^i - \Gamma_{k1}^s \Gamma_{2j}^i) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{l,s} g_{kl}(\Gamma_{s2}^l \Gamma_{1j}^s - \Gamma_{1s}^l \Gamma_{2j}^s). \end{aligned}$$

Formulas

► $(g^{ij}) = (g_{ij})^{-1}$

$$\sum_l g^{il} g_{lj} = \delta_j^i, \quad g_{,k}^{il} = - \sum_{\alpha,\beta} g^{\alpha i} g^{\beta l} g_{\alpha\beta,k}$$

► $\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} \sum_l g^{kl} (g_{lj,i} + g_{il,j} - g_{ij,l}) = \Gamma_{ji}^k$

$$g_{ij,k} = \sum_l (g_{il} \Gamma_{jk}^l + g_{lj} \Gamma_{ik}^l), \quad \sum_i \Gamma_{ji}^i = \frac{1}{2g} g_{,j} \quad (g = \det(g_{ij}))$$

► $A_j^i = \sum_l g^{il} h_{lj}$

Proof of Theorem 4.3

$$\begin{pmatrix} I_1^1 & I_2^1 & I_3^1 \\ I_1^2 & I_2^2 & I_3^2 \\ I_1^3 & I_2^3 & I_3^3 \end{pmatrix} := \Omega_{1,2} - \Omega_{2,1} - \Omega_1 \Omega_2 + \Omega_2 \Omega_1$$
$$\Omega_j = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{j1}^1 & \Gamma_{j2}^1 & -A_j^1 \\ \Gamma_{j1}^2 & \Gamma_{j2}^2 & -A_j^2 \\ h_{j1} & h_{j2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (j = 1, 2)$$

Exercise 4-1

Problem (Ex. 4-1)

Assume $L = N = 0$, that is, $II = 2M du dv = 2h_{12} du^1 du^2$, Prove that, if the Gaussian curvature K is negative constant,

$$E_v = G_u = 0, \quad \text{that is, } g_{11,2} = g_{22,1} = 0.$$

Exercise 4-2

Problem (Ex. 4-2)

Assume $F = 0$ and $E = G = e^{2\sigma}$, where σ is a function in (u, v) . Let $z = u + iv$ ($i = \sqrt{-1}$) and define a complex-valued function q in z by

$$q(z) := \frac{L(u, v) - N(u, v)}{2} - iM(u, v).$$

Prove that the Codazzi equations are equivalent to

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial \bar{z}} = e^{2\sigma} \frac{\partial H}{\partial z},$$

where H is the mean curvature, and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \right), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial u} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \right).$$