

# Advanced Topics in Geometry E (MTH.B501)

Pseudospherical surfaces

$$K = -1$$

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# The setting

- ▶  $p: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ : a regular surface ✓
- ▶  $ds^2 = E du^2 + 2F du dv + G dv^2$ : the first fundamental form. ✓
- ▶  $II = L du^2 + 2M du dv + N dv^2$ : the second fundamental form. ✓
- ▶ A pseudospherical surface:  $K = \frac{LN - M^2}{EG - F^2} = -1$ . ✓

$$\underline{II = 2M du dv}$$

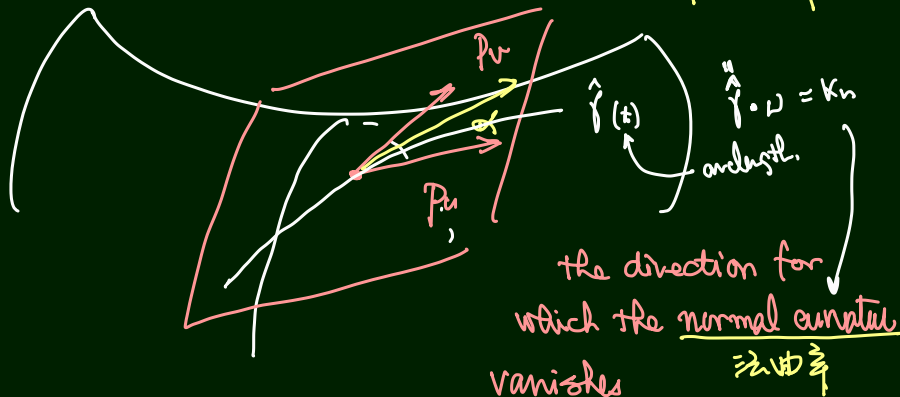
( $u, v$ ) : an asymptotic  
coordinate system  
(漸近座標系)

# Asymptotic directions (渐近方向)

$\alpha = \alpha p_u + \beta p_v$  is an asymptotic direction

$$\Leftrightarrow \alpha^2 L + 2\alpha\beta M + \beta^2 N = 0.$$

$$(\alpha \ \beta) \begin{pmatrix} L & M \\ M & N \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = 0$$



## Lemma

Assume that the Gaussian curvature  $K$  is **negative** at  $(u_0, v_0)$ . Then there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $(u_0, v_0)$  and smooth functions  $\alpha_i, \beta_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) on  $V$  such that

$$\alpha_i(u, v) := \alpha_i(u, v)p_u(u, v) + \beta_i(u, v)p_v(u, v) \quad (i = 1, 2) \quad (1)$$

are two linearly independent asymptotic directions at each  $(u, v) \in V$ .

Find  $\alpha, \beta$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L & M \\ M & N \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\star \det \hat{\Pi} < 0 \Rightarrow \exists \mathbb{P}: V \xrightarrow{C^0} O(2)$$

s.t

$$\text{tp} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbb{P} = \begin{pmatrix} L & M \\ M & N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$$

Ersetzung

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} := \mathbb{P}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{\lambda_1} \\ 1/\sqrt{\lambda_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix} := \mathbb{P}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{\lambda_1} \\ -1/\sqrt{\lambda_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Asymptotic Coordinates

## Definition

A parameter  $(u, v)$  of the surface  $p: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is called an asymptotic coordinate system or an asymptotic parameter if both the  $u$ -curves  $u \mapsto p(u, v)$  and the  $v$ -curves  $v \mapsto p(u, v)$  are asymptotic curves.

$p_u \quad p_v = \text{asymptotic v.f.}$

## Lemma

$$\approx |p_u \times p_v|$$

A coordinate system  $(u, v)$  of a surface is an asymptotic coordinate system if and only if the second fundamental form is written in the form

$$\checkmark \quad \underline{II = 2M \, du \, dv},$$

$$\alpha = 1 \quad \beta = 0$$
$$\checkmark \quad \alpha^2 L + 2M\alpha\beta + N\beta^2 = 0$$

that is,  $L = N = 0$ . In particular,  $M \neq 0$  if the Gaussian curvature does not vanish.

# Asymptotic Coordinates

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Kobayashi - Nomizu  
(Foundation of Diff. Geom.)

## Theorem

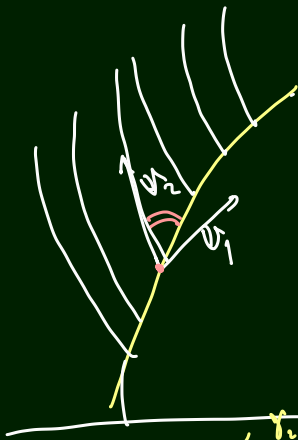
Let  $p: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a regular surface whose Gaussian curvature at  $(u_0, v_0)$  is negative. Then there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $(u_0, v_0)$  and a coordinate change  $V' \ni (\xi, \eta) \mapsto (u(\xi, \eta), v(\xi, \eta)) \in V$  for which  $(\xi, \eta)$  is an asymptotic coordinate system.

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_2 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find a new coordinate system  
whose coordinate curves  
tangent to  $v_j$



# Outline of the proof



$$\gamma_1(s) = (u(s), v(s))$$

$$\varphi(s, t) = (u(s, t), v(s, t))$$

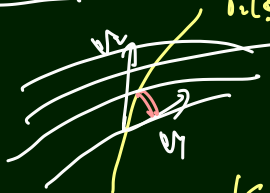
$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = \mathcal{D}_2 (u(s, t), v(s, t)) \checkmark$$

↗ nonlinear ODE if  $s$ : fixed.

$$(s, t) \mapsto (u, v) \quad \frac{\partial(u, v)}{\partial(s, t)} \neq 0$$

$$\exists (u, v) \mapsto (s, t) \quad \text{at } (u_0, v_0)$$

$$S(u, v) = \text{const} \Rightarrow \text{asympt. curve}$$



$$\gamma_2(\xi)$$

$$v_1 \text{- direction } (\xi, \eta) \mapsto (u, v)$$

$$\exists (u, v) \mapsto (\xi, \eta)$$

$$\xi(u, v) = \text{const} \rightarrow \text{asympt. curve}$$

$(s, \xi) = \text{asymptotic coordinates.}$



## Theorem

Let  $p: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a surface with Gaussian curvature  $-1$ . Then for each point  $(u_0, v_0) \in U$ , there exists a neighborhood  $V$  and coordinate change  $(\xi, \eta) \mapsto (u, v)$  on  $V$  such that the first and second fundamental forms are in the form

$$ds^2 = d\xi^2 + 2 \cos \theta d\xi d\eta + d\eta^2, \quad II = 2 \sin \theta d\xi d\eta,$$

where  $\theta = \theta(\xi, \eta)$  is a smooth function in  $(\xi, \eta)$  valued in  $(0, \pi)$ .

$\exists$  asymptotic coordinates

$$\begin{cases} ds^2 = E du^2 + 2F du dv + G dv^2 \\ II = 2M du dv \end{cases}$$

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$$K = -1 : \text{Codazzi} \Leftrightarrow E_v = G_u = 0$$

$$\bullet E = E(u) > 0 \quad \xi(u) = \int^u \sqrt{E} du$$

$$\bullet G = G(v) > 0 \quad \eta(v) = \int^v \sqrt{G} dv$$

$$d\xi^2 = E du^2 \quad d\eta^2 = G dv^2$$

$$ds^2 = d\xi^2 + 2\tilde{F} d\xi d\eta + d\eta^2$$

$$II = 2\tilde{M} d\xi d\eta$$

(2:0)

$$\boxed{1 - \tilde{F}^2 > 0}$$

$$\tilde{F} = \cos \theta$$

# The sine Gordon equation

The Gauss equations  
for the asymptotic  
Chebyshev net

(hyperbolic)

$$\theta_{uv} = \sin \theta$$

$$\Delta \sigma = -\frac{1}{2} \sinh 2\sigma$$

↓  
elliptic

$\subset \mathbb{R}^2$  simply connected

$$\theta : U \rightarrow (0, \pi) \quad ; \quad \theta_{uv} = \sin \theta$$

$\Rightarrow \Rightarrow$  pseudospherical surface

To find a simple solution...

→ reduce to ODE

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(u, v) = \theta(u) &\Rightarrow \theta_{uv} = 0 \Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow \theta = \text{const.} \quad (\text{trivial}) \end{aligned}$$

Assume

$$\theta(u, v) = \varphi(u-v)$$

$\varphi$ : a function of one variable

(To find a simple sol.)

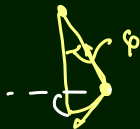
$$\theta_u = \dot{\varphi}$$

$$\theta_{uv} = -\ddot{\varphi}$$

$$\theta_{uv} = \sin \theta$$



$$\ddot{\varphi} = -\sin \varphi$$



the equation of motion  
for a pendulum.

$$\ddot{\varphi} = -\sin \varphi \quad \dot{\varphi} \ddot{\varphi} = -\dot{\varphi} \sin \varphi$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 = \cos \varphi + \text{const.}$$

$$= 1 - 2 \sin^2 \frac{\varphi}{2} + \text{const.}$$

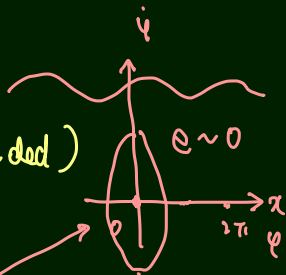
$$\left(\frac{\dot{\varphi}}{2}\right)^2 + \sin^2 \frac{\varphi}{2} =: e = \text{const} \geq 0 \quad \text{let integral}$$

$$e = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi: \text{const.}$$

$$e \sim 0 \Rightarrow \varphi: \text{periodic function}$$

$$e \gg 1 \Rightarrow \varphi: \text{non periodic (unbounded)}$$

$$\boxed{y^2 + \sin^2 x = e} \quad \text{phase}$$



$$\left(\frac{\dot{\varphi}}{2}\right)^2 + \sin^2 \frac{\varphi}{2} = e = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{\dot{\varphi}}{2}\right)^2 = 1 - \sin^2 \frac{\varphi}{2} = \cos^2 \frac{\varphi}{2}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\frac{\dot{\varphi}}{2} = \cos \frac{\varphi}{2}}}$$

$$\boxed{\varphi(0) = 0 \quad \dot{\varphi}(0) = 2}$$

## Exercise 6-1

### ✓ Problem (Ex. 6-1)

*Find an explicit solution of (6.5) for  $e = 1$ , with initial condition  $\varphi(0) = 0$ ,  $\dot{\varphi}(0) = 2$ .*

## Exercise 6-2

### Problem (Ex. 6-2)

For a constant  $e \in (0, 1)$ , the solution  $\varphi$  of (6.5) with (6.6) is a periodic function. Find the period of such a solution.

elliptic integral