

Tentamensskrivning i MMG720, Differentialgeometri

1. Viviani's curve is the intersection of a sphere of radius 2 and a circular cylinder of radius 1 passing through the origin. It can be parametrised as

$$\gamma(t) = (1 + \cos 2t, \sin 2t, 2 \sin t)$$

with $-\pi \leq t < \pi$. Compute the curvature and torsion of this curve.

2. Prove the Four Vertex Theorem: every convex simple closed curve in \mathbb{R}^2 has at least four vertices.
3. For a surface patch $\sigma: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ of a surface in 4-space one can define the first fundamental form in the usual way by $E = \sigma_u \cdot \sigma_u$, $F = \sigma_u \cdot \sigma_v$ and $G = \sigma_v \cdot \sigma_v$.
Consider a torus in \mathbb{R}^4 , parametrised with

$$\sigma(u, v) = (a \cos u, a \sin u, b \cos v, b \sin v),$$

where a and b are positive constants. Show that this torus is locally isometric to the plane.

4. Compute the principal curvatures of the surface

$$y \cos \frac{z}{a} = x \sin \frac{z}{a}$$

where a is a non-zero constant.

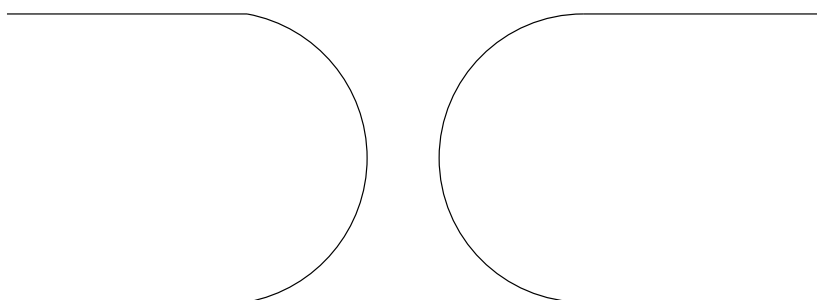
Hint: first parametrise the surface, say with (r, φ) coordinates, so that $z = a\varphi$.

5. a) Show that a geodesic γ on a surface S , which is also a line of curvature, is a plane curve.
b) Show that a geodesic with nowhere vanishing curvature, which lies in a plane, is a line of curvature.
c) Give an example of a line of curvature, which lies in a plane and is not a geodesic.

6. Describe (qualitatively) the geodesics on the surface of revolution $M \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, given by

$$M = \{(x, y, z) \mid z = 1, x^2 + y^2 \geq 1\} \\ \cup \{(x, y, z) \mid z = -1, x^2 + y^2 \geq 1\} \\ \cup \{(x, y, z) \mid |z| \leq 1, x^2 + y^2 = \varphi(z)\},$$

where $\varphi(1) = \varphi(-1) = 1$ and $\varphi(z)$ is such that M is a smooth surface, with profile curve looking like



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Varje uppgift (utom en) ger maximalt 4 poäng. För godkänd skrivning krävs minst 12 poäng. För väl godkänd krävs minst 18 poäng.

Tentan räknas vara färdigrättad onsdagen den 14 juni.

Lycka till!

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