

Computational Geometry Workshop

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Surfaces of Revolution

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In [1]: version()
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Out[1]: 'SageMath version 8.0, Release Date: 2017-07-21'
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In [2]: %display latex  
viewer3d = 'jmol'
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We begin by defining python functions that return the parametrization and chart of the associated surface of revolution.

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In [3]: def param(func): #parametrization map from (u,v) plane to surface  
    F = func;  
    var('u v')  
    surf = vector([u,F(x = u)*cos(v),F(x = u)*sin(v)]);  
    return surf  
  
def chart(X,Y,Z): #chart from surface to (u,v) plane  
    CH = {};  
    var('x');  
    S(x) = arcsin(x);  
    C(x) = arccos(x);  
    ff = {S(x),C(x)};  
    qq = (Y/sqrt(Y^2 + Z^2));  
    for i in range(2):  
        CH[i] = vector([X,ff[i](x = qq)]);  
    return CH
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In [4]: var('x');
var('t');
f(x) = 2 + cos(x);
Sf = param(f)
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In [5]: Sf
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Out[5]: (u, (cos(u) + 2) cos(v), (cos(u) + 2) sin(v))
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In [6]: parametric_plot3d(Sf,(u,-2*pi,2*pi),(v,0,2*pi))
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Out[6]:
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Let's look at some plot options.

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In [7]: surf_plot = parametric_plot3d(Sf,(u,-2*pi,2*pi),(v,0,2*pi),opacity=0.5);
original_curve = parametric_plot3d([t,f(t),0],(t,-2*pi,2*pi),thickness=2,color='red');
show(surf_plot + original_curve)
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In [8]: %display latex
var('t');
t1(t) = t^3;
t2(t) = exp(t);
curve(t) = [Sf[0](u=t1,v=t2),Sf[1](u=t1,v=t2),Sf[2](u=t1,v=t2)];
curve_plot = parametric_plot3d(curve,(t,-2,2),color='red',thickness=2);
curve
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Out[8]:  $t \mapsto (t^3, (\cos(t^3) + 2) \cos(e^t), (\cos(t^3) + 2) \sin(e^t))$ 
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In [9]: `curve_plot`

Out[9]:

This curve should lie on the surface.

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In [10]: show(surf_plot + curve_plot)
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Next: induced metric, Christoffel symbols, and geodesics.

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In [11]: def sr_metric(func):
    F = func;
    FF = param(F);
    uu = vector([FF[0].diff(u),FF[1].diff(u),FF[2].diff(u)]);
    vv = vector([FF[0].diff(v),FF[1].diff(v),FF[2].diff(v)]);
    g11 = uu.dot_product(uu).simplify_full();
    g12 = uu.dot_product(vv).simplify_full();
    g22 = vv.dot_product(vv).simplify_full();
    M = matrix([[g11,g12],[g12,g22]]);
    return M
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In [12]: g = sr_metric(f);
g
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Out[12]: 
$$\begin{pmatrix} \sin(u)^2 + 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(u)^2 + 4 \cos(u) + 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

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In [13]: def sr_christoffel(func):
    F = func;
    G = sr_metric(F);
    GI = G.inverse();
    GG = [None]*2;
    vv = [u,v];
    for i in range(2):
        GG[i] = {}
        for j in range(2):
            GG[i][j] = {}
            for k in range(2):
                GG[i][j][k] = (1/2)*sum(GI[k,m]*(G[m,i].diff(vv[j]) +
                                                G[m,j].diff(vv[i]) - G[i,j].diff(vv[m]))) for m in range(2)).simplify_full();
    return GG
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In [14]: CS = sr_christoffel(f);
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In [15]: for i in range(2):
    for j in range(2):
        for k in range(2):
            print(i,j,k), ':', CS[i][j][k]
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(0, 0, 0) : cos(u)*sin(u)/(sin(u)^2 + 1)
(0, 0, 1) : 0
(0, 1, 0) : 0
(0, 1, 1) : -sin(u)/(cos(u) + 2)
(1, 0, 0) : 0
(1, 0, 1) : -sin(u)/(cos(u) + 2)
(1, 1, 0) : (cos(u) + 2)*sin(u)/(sin(u)^2 + 1)
(1, 1, 1) : 0
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The Christoffel symbols are the coefficients of the Levi-Civita connection (or covariant derivative), which describes how tangent vectors are parallel transported along curves in the surface. If $\{\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n\}$ are the basis vector fields induced by the local coordinates, then

$$\nabla_{\partial_i} \partial_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \Gamma_{ij}^k \partial_k.$$

In particular, this applies to the velocity vector field of a curve along the curve itself: A curve $\alpha : (-t_0, t_0) \rightarrow S_f$ is said to be a *geodesic* if its velocity vector field is parallel; that is, if

$$\ddot{\alpha} := \nabla_{\dot{\alpha}} \dot{\alpha} = 0.$$

It is important to note here that $\ddot{\alpha}$ is not the component-wise second derivative from Calculus III. It is the covariant derivative of the velocity field along itself. The covariant derivative can be written out in terms of its coefficients, the Christoffel symbols. Thus we obtain a system of differential equations that determine criteria for α to be a geodesic. These are known as the geodesic equation(s). If $\alpha(t) = [\alpha_0(t), \alpha_1(t)]$ (indices chosen to match Sage code), then the geodesic equation for the k^{th} component is

$$\frac{d^2 \alpha_k}{dt^2} + \sum_{i,j=0}^1 \Gamma_{ij}^k \frac{d\alpha_i}{dt} \frac{d\alpha_j}{dt} = 0.$$

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In [16]: def sr_geodesic(func,pos,vel): # geodesic equation
    F = func;
    # pos is initial position
    # vel is initial velocity
    CSF = sr_christoffel(F);
    t = var('t');
    U = function('U')(t);
    V = function('V')(t);
    WW = U.diff(t);
    ZZ = V.diff(t)
    comp = [U,V,WW,ZZ];
    eqn = {}
    for k in range(2):
        eqn[k] = (comp[k+2].diff(t) + sum(sum(CSF[i][j][k](u = U)(v = V)*comp[i].diff(t)*comp[j].diff(t)
        ) for i in range(2)) for j in range(2)) == 0;
    Sol = desolve_system([eqn[0],eqn[1]],[U,V,WW,ZZ],ivar=t,ics=[0,pos[0],pos[1],vel[0],vel[1]])
    UU = Sol[0].simplify_full();
    VV = Sol[1].simplify_full();
    return UU, VV
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In [17]: GEO = sr_geodesic(f,[0,0],[0,1])
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In [18]: GEO

Out[18]:

$$\begin{aligned} U(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(-\frac{\mathcal{L} \left(\frac{\cos(U(t)) \sin(U(t)) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} U(t)^2}{\sin(U(t))^2 + 1}, t, g_{2835} \right) + \mathcal{L} \left(\frac{\cos(U(t)) \sin(U(t))}{\sin(U(t))^2 + g_{2835}^2}, t, g_{2835} \right)}{2 \mathcal{L} \left(\frac{\sin(U(t)) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} U(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} V(t)}{\cos(U(t)) + 2}, t, g_{2835} \right)} \right) \\ V(t) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \mathcal{L} \left(\frac{\sin(U(t)) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} U(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} V(t)}{\cos(U(t)) + 2}, t, g_{2835} \right)}{g_{2835}^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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In [19]: surf_plot = parametric_plot3d(Sf,(u,-2*pi,2*pi),(v,0,2*pi),opacity=0.25);
geod_plot = parametric_plot3d([Sf[0](u = GEO[0].rhs())(v = GEO[1].rhs()),
                             Sf[1](u = GEO[0].rhs())(v = GEO[1].rhs()),
                             Sf[2](u = GEO[0].rhs())(v = GEO[1].rhs())],(t,-4,4),color='red',thickness=1.5);
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ValueError           Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-19-8e9b5d134a5a> in <module>()
      2 geod_plot = parametric_plot3d([Sf[Integer(0)](u = GEO[Integer(0)].rhs())(v = GEO[Integer(1)].rhs()), 
      3                               SF[Integer(1)](u = GEO[Integer(0)].rhs())(v = GEO[Integer(1)].rhs())),
--> 4                               SF[Integer(2)](u = GEO[Integer(0)].rhs())(v = GEO[Integer(1)].rhs())),(t,-Integer(4),Integer(4)),color='red',thickness=RealNumber('1.5'));

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_plot3d.pyc in parametric_plot3d(f, urange, vrange, plot_points, boundary_style, **kwds)
    1004     if plot_points == "automatic":
    1005         plot_points = 75
-> 1006     G = _parametric_plot3d_curve(f, urange, plot_points=plot_points, **kwds)
    1007 else:
    1008     if plot_points == "automatic":

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    1061 """
    1062     from sage.plot.misc import setup_for_eval_on_grid
-> 1063     g, ranges = setup_for_eval_on_grid(f, [urange], plot_points)
    1064     f_x, f_y, f_z = g
    1065     w = [(f_x(u), f_y(u), f_z(u)) for u in xsrange(*ranges[0], include_endpoint=True)]

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or_eval_on_grid(funcs, ranges, plot_points, return_vars)
    148     return fast_float(funcs, *vars, **options), [tuple(range+[range_step]) for range,range_s
tep in zip(ranges, range_steps)], vars
    149 else:
--> 150     return fast_float(funcs, *vars, **options), [tuple(range+[range_step]) for range,range_
step in zip(ranges, range_steps)]
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    1381
    1382     if isinstance(f, (tuple, list)):
-> 1383         return tuple([fast_float(x, *vars, expect_one_var=expect_one_var) for x in f])
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-> 1398         return fast_callable(f, vars=vars, domain=float, _autocompute_vars_for_backward_c
ompatibility_with_deprecated_fast_float_functionality=True, expect_one_var=expect_one_var)
    1399     except AttributeError:
    1400         pass

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Let's try a "nicer" function.

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In [20]: g(x) = 2;  
Sg = param(g);  
geo_g1 = sr_geodesic(g,[0,0],[1,0]);  
geo_g2 = sr_geodesic(g,[0,0],[0,1]);  
geo_g3 = sr_geodesic(g,[0,0],[1,1]);
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In [21]: geo_plot1 = parametric_plot3d([Sg[0](u = geo_g1[0].rhs())(v = geo_g1[1].rhs()),
Sg[1](u = geo_g1[0].rhs())(v = geo_g1[1].rhs()),
Sg[2](u = geo_g1[0].rhs())(v = geo_g1[1].rhs())],(t,-4,4),color='red',thickness=1.5);
geo_plot2 = parametric_plot3d([Sg[0](u = geo_g2[0].rhs())(v = geo_g2[1].rhs()),
Sg[1](u = geo_g2[0].rhs())(v = geo_g2[1].rhs()),
Sg[2](u = geo_g2[0].rhs())(v = geo_g2[1].rhs())],(t,-4,4),color='black',thickness=1.5);
geo_plot3 = parametric_plot3d([Sg[0](u = geo_g3[0].rhs())(v = geo_g3[1].rhs()),
Sg[1](u = geo_g3[0].rhs())(v = geo_g3[1].rhs()),
Sg[2](u = geo_g3[0].rhs())(v = geo_g3[1].rhs())],(t,-4,4),color='purple',thickness=1.5);
surf_plot = parametric_plot3d(Sg,(u,-4,4),(v,0,2*pi),opacity=0.25);
show(surf_plot + geo_plot1 + geo_plot2 + geo_plot3)
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In [22]: h(x) = 1+ x^2;
Sh = param(h);
geo_h1 = sr_geodesic(h,[0,0],[1,0]);
geo_h2 = sr_geodesic(h,[0,0],[0,1]);
geo_h3 = sr_geodesic(h,[0,0],[1,1]);
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In [23]: geo_hplot1 = parametric_plot3d([Sh[0](u = geo_h1[0].rhs())(v = geo_h1[1].rhs()),
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                                         Sh[2](u = geo_h1[0].rhs())(v = geo_h1[1].rhs())],(t,-4,4),color='red',thickness=1.5);
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5);
geo_hplot3 = parametric_plot3d([Sh[0](u = geo_h3[0].rhs())(v = geo_h3[1].rhs()),
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.5);
surf_plot = parametric_plot3d(Sh,(u,-4,4),(v,0,2*pi),opacity=0.25);
show(surf_plot + geo_hplot1 + geo_hplot2 + geo_hplot3)
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      4 geo_hplot2 = parametric_plot3d([Sh[Integer(0)](u = geo_h2[Integer(0)].rhs())(v = geo_h2[Integer(1)].rhs()),
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