

Let $p = (x, y, z)$, $F(p) = |p|^2 - \langle p, a \rangle^2$

Then $S = F^{-1}(r)$

$$|\nabla F|_p = 2p - 2\langle p, a \rangle a$$

$v \in T_p S$ if and only if $v \cdot \nabla F = 0$

$$(i.e. 2\langle p, v \rangle - 2\langle p, a \rangle \langle a, v \rangle = 0)$$

$$\text{So } T_p S = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \langle p, v \rangle - \langle p, a \rangle \langle a, v \rangle = 0\}$$

Consider the vector $p - \langle p, a \rangle a$, $p \in S$

Then for any $v \in T_p S$, $\langle p - \langle p, a \rangle a, v \rangle = 0$

$$p - \langle p, a \rangle a \parallel N(p)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |p - \langle p, a \rangle a|^2 &= \langle p - \langle p, a \rangle a, p - \langle p, a \rangle a \rangle \\ &= |p|^2 - 2\langle p, a \rangle \langle p, a \rangle + \langle p, a \rangle^2 \langle a, a \rangle \quad (|a|=1) \\ &= |p|^2 - \langle p, a \rangle^2 \\ &= r^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } p - \langle p, a \rangle a = \pm r N(p)$$

Hence all the normal lines of S cut the axis orthogonally.

For the converse,

Suppose all normal lines of S intersect a fixed straight line $\ell \subset \mathbb{R}^3$

orthogonally

We assume ℓ pass through the origin,

Let $p \in S$, \exists smooth $\mathbb{X} : U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow V$, with V is nbd of p in S

Let \vec{a} be unit vector $\parallel \ell$

$$\text{Then } \mathbb{X}(u, v) - r(u, v)N(u, v) = \langle \mathbb{X}(u, v), a \rangle a$$

$$\mathbb{X}_u - r_u N - r N_u = \langle \mathbb{X}_u, a \rangle a$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \langle \mathbb{X}_u, a \rangle \langle a, N \rangle = \langle \mathbb{X}_u, N \rangle - r_u \langle N, N \rangle - r \langle N_u, N \rangle \\ &= -r_u \end{aligned}$$

$$r_u = 0$$

Similarly, $r_v = 0$

So r is constant on V

Since S is connected, r is constant on S .

$$p = \langle p, a \rangle a + r N(p)$$

$$\|p\|^2 = \langle p, a \rangle^2 + r^2$$

$$\|p\|^2 - \langle p, a \rangle^2 = r^2 \quad \forall p \in S$$

2. $\phi : S_1 \rightarrow S_2$, $\phi(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{x}{a}, \frac{y}{b}, \frac{z}{c}\right)$

3. Let $F_1(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - ax$

$$F_2(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - by$$

$$F_3(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - cz$$

Then $\nabla F_1 = (2x-a, 2y, 2z)$, $\nabla F_2 = (2x, 2y-b, 2z)$, $\nabla F_3 = (2x, 2y, 2z-c)$

$S_1 = F_1^{-1}(0)$ and 0 is a regular value of F_1 , so S_1 is surface

Similar for showing S_2, S_3 are surface

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla F_1 \cdot \nabla F_2 &= 4x^2 - 2ax + 4y^2 - 2by + 4z^2 \\ &= 2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - ax) + 2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - by) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{at the intersection points of } S_1 \text{ and } S_2 \end{aligned}$$

Similar for $\nabla F_1 \cdot \nabla F_3$, $\nabla F_2 \cdot \nabla F_3$

4. S lies on one side of P , i.e. $\langle p, n \rangle \geq c$ for some unit normal n to P
some constant c .

$\forall p \in S$

$$\langle p, n \rangle = c \text{ if and only if } p \in P$$

Let $q \in P \cap S$, $v \in T_q S$

$\exists \alpha : (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \rightarrow S$ such that $\alpha(0) = q$, $\alpha'(0) = v$

$$\text{Then } \langle \alpha(t), n \rangle \geq c \quad \langle \alpha(0), n \rangle = c$$

$\langle \alpha(t), n \rangle$ has local minimum at $t=0$

$$\langle \alpha'(0), n \rangle = 0$$

$\langle v, n \rangle = 0$, hence n is normal to $T_q S$

Therefore $T_q P = T_q S$

5. Since S is compact surface

$$\exists p, q \in S \text{ such that } |p-q|^2 = \max_{x,y \in S} |x-y|^2$$

We want $p-q \perp T_p S$ and $p-q \perp T_q S$

the straight line from p to q is the required straight line l

Hence $p-q \perp T_p S$

Let $v \in T_p S$, $\exists \alpha: (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow S$ such that $\alpha(0) = p$, $\alpha'(0) = v$

Consider $\langle \alpha(t)-q, \alpha(t)-q \rangle$ which has local maximum at $t=0$

$$\langle \alpha'(0), \alpha(0)-q \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle v, p-q \rangle = 0$$

Hence $p-q \perp T_p S$

Same argument to $p-q \perp T_q S$