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MATH 4030 Tutorial

Reminders:

- Assignment 4 due tonight 11:59pm.
- Q1 assignment 3:

$$dF_p(v) = \langle \underline{\text{grad} F}, v \rangle$$

$$F(x(u,v)) \xrightarrow{\text{abuse notation}} F(u,v).$$

$$dF_p(v) = F_u(p)u'(0) + F_v(p)v'(0).$$

derivative of F
wrt. 1st variable.

$$\begin{aligned} & dF_p((av_1 + bw_1)x_u + (av_2 + bw_2)x_v) \\ &= F_u(p)(av_1 + bw_1) + F_v(p)(av_2 + bw_2) \end{aligned}$$

$\gamma_1'(0)$ $\gamma_2'(0)$

$v+w \in T_pM$. Take a curve γ st. $\gamma(0) = p$, $\gamma'(0) = v+w$.

$$\begin{aligned} dF_p(v+w) &= \frac{d}{dt} F(\gamma(t)) \Big|_{t=0} \\ &= \dots \end{aligned}$$

A bit more on minimal surfaces

Recall: • M is minimal if $H \equiv 0$,

• let $X(u, v)$ be a parameterization of M . X is isothermal if

$$|X_u| = |X_v| = \lambda, \quad \langle X_u, X_v \rangle = 0.$$

• M is minimal iff $X_{uu} + X_{vv} = 0$.

Def: If $f, g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy Cauchy-Riemann equations if

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial u}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} = -\frac{\partial g}{\partial v}.$$

(From complex analysis, $h: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is holomorphic if its real & imaginary part satisfy CR.)

Then they are harmonic, and they are called harmonic conjugate.

Let X, Y be isothermal parameterizations of minimal surfaces M, N , such that the component functions are pairwise harmonic conjugate, then $M, N (X, Y)$ are called conjugate minimal surfaces.

1) Show that the helicoid, and catenoid are conjugate minimal surfaces.

$$\text{Catenoid: } X(u,v) = (\overset{f^1}{\cosh v \cos u}, \overset{f^2}{\cosh v \sin u}, \overset{f^3}{v})$$

$$\text{Helicoid: } Y(u,v) = (\overset{g^1}{\sinh v \sin u}, \overset{g^2}{-\sinh v \cos u}, \overset{g^3}{u}).$$

PF: Easy to check that these are isothermal.

$$\frac{\partial f^3}{\partial v} = 1 = \frac{\partial g^3}{\partial u}, \quad \frac{\partial f^3}{\partial u} = 0 = -0 = \frac{\partial g^3}{\partial v} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial f^1}{\partial v} = \sinh v \cos u = \frac{\partial g^1}{\partial u}, \quad \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial u} = -\cosh v \sin u = -\frac{\partial g^1}{\partial v} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\frac{\partial f^2}{\partial v} = \sinh v \sin u = \frac{\partial g^2}{\partial u}, \quad \frac{\partial f^2}{\partial u} = \cosh v \cos u = -\frac{\partial g^2}{\partial v} \quad \checkmark$$

$$X_v = Y_u, \quad X_u = -Y_v.$$

2) Given two conjugate minimal surfaces X, Y , show that the surface

$$Z_t = (\cos t) X + (\sin t) Y$$

is minimal for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

PF: $Z_u = \cos t X_u + \sin t Y_u$, $Z_v = \cos t X_v + \sin t Y_v$

$$\langle Z_u, Z_v \rangle = \cos^2 t \langle X_u, X_v \rangle + \sin t \cos t \langle X_u, Y_v \rangle + \sin t \cos t \langle Y_u, X_v \rangle + \sin^2 t \langle Y_u, Y_v \rangle$$

\uparrow
 $Y_v = X_u$
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 $Y_u = -X_v$

$$\stackrel{0}{=} \sin t \cos t (|X_u|^2 - |X_v|^2) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} |Z_u|^2 &= \langle Z_u, Z_u \rangle = \langle \cos t X_u + \sin t Y_u, \cos t X_u + \sin t Y_u \rangle \\ &= \cos^2 t |X_u|^2 + 2 \sin t \cos t \langle X_u, Y_u \rangle + \sin^2 t |Y_u|^2 \\ &= \cos^2 t |X_u|^2 + \sin^2 t |Y_u|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$\begin{matrix} -X_v \\ \parallel \\ -X_v \end{matrix}$
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$$= \cos^2 t \lambda^2 + \sin^2 t \lambda^2 \quad \text{where } \lambda^2 = |X_u|^2 = |X_v|^2$$

$$= \lambda^2 = |Z_u|^2.$$

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similarly.

So Z is isothermal.

$$Z_{uu} = \cos t X_{uu} + \sin t Y_{uu} \quad Z_{uu} + Z_{vv} = \cos t (\cancel{X_{uu}} + X_{vv}) + \sin t (\cancel{Y_{uu}} + Y_{vv}).$$

$$Z_{vv} = \cos t X_{vv} + \sin t Y_{vv} \quad = 0.$$

So Z_t is a minimal surface.

3) All Z_t above have the same coefficients of the 1st fundamental form.

See above.

$$Z_t = \cos t \begin{pmatrix} \cosh v \cos u \\ \cosh v \sin u \\ v \end{pmatrix} + \sin t \begin{pmatrix} \sinh v \sin u \\ -\sinh v \cos u \\ u \end{pmatrix}$$

is a 1-param. family of minimal surfaces that ($t \neq 0$) only deforms the catenoid to the helicoid ($t = \frac{\pi}{2}$) and the intrinsic properties of Z_t

remain the same throughout.

Another name: "associated family."