

Some review:

In class we defined the Christoffel symbols via the equation

$$x_{\alpha\beta} = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^u x_u + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^v x_v + A_{\alpha\beta} U$$

where α and β are either u or v and

$$[A_{\alpha\beta}] = \begin{pmatrix} l & m \\ m & n \end{pmatrix}.$$

We showed that the Christoffel symbols can be computed by

$$\begin{pmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^u \\ \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle x_{\alpha\beta}, x_u \rangle \\ \langle x_{\alpha\beta}, x_v \rangle \end{pmatrix}.$$

We also computed the right-hand sides of the previous equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x_{uu}, x_u \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} E_u & \langle x_{uv}, x_u \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} E_v & \langle x_{vv}, x_u \rangle &= F_v - \frac{1}{2} G_u \\ \langle x_{uu}, x_v \rangle &= F_u - \frac{1}{2} E_v & \langle x_{uv}, x_v \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} G_u & \langle x_{vv}, x_v \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} G_v. \end{aligned}$$

From the equation $\langle (x_{uu})_v - (x_{uv})_u, x_v \rangle = 0$ we computed

$$\begin{aligned} ln - m^2 &= \partial_v [\langle \Gamma_{uu}^u x_u + \Gamma_{uu}^v x_v, x_v \rangle] - \partial_u [\langle \Gamma_{uv}^u x_u + \Gamma_{uv}^v x_v, x_v \rangle] \\ &\quad - \langle \Gamma_{uu}^u x_u + \Gamma_{uu}^v x_v, \Gamma_{vv}^u x_u + \Gamma_{vv}^v x_v \rangle + \langle \Gamma_{uv}^u x_u + \Gamma_{uv}^v x_v, \Gamma_{uv}^u x_u + \Gamma_{uv}^v x_v \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Since all quantities on the right-hand side of (1) can be computed from knowledge of E , F , and G alone, we concluded that one can compute Gauss curvature from the first fundamental form.

1. Without computing anything new, write down an analogous formula to (1) that would be obtained from the equation $\langle (x_{vv})_u - (x_{vu})_v, x_u \rangle = 0$.
2. Compute a formula analogous to (1) that would be obtained from

$$\langle (x_{vv})_u - (x_{vu})_v, x_u \rangle = 0.$$

This one requires actual computation.

3. Show that $\langle (x_{uu})_v - (x_{uv})_u, U \rangle = 0$ implies the equation

$$l_v - m_u = \Gamma_{uv}^u l + (\Gamma_{uv}^u - \Gamma_{uu}^u) m - \Gamma_{uu}^v n$$

This is one of the two Codazzi-Mainardi equations. The other Codazzi-Mainardi equation comes from $\langle (x_{vv})_u - (x_{vu})_v, U \rangle = 0$. For extra credit, write down what this other equation is. (Do no hard work).

4. Let f , g , and h be functions of u and v . Show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{gh}} \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left(\frac{f_v}{\sqrt{gh}} \right) = \frac{f_{vv}}{gh} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{f_v g_v}{g^2 h} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{f_v h_v}{g h^2}.$$

5. Suppose for some chart \mathbf{x} that $F = 0$ everywhere. Compute all the Christoffel symbols for this chart in terms of E and G and their derivatives.
6. Suppose for some chart \mathbf{x} that $F = 0$ everywhere. Use (1) and the previous two problems to show that

$$K = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{EG}} \left[\partial_v \left(\frac{E_v}{\sqrt{EG}} \right) + \partial_u \left(\frac{E_u}{\sqrt{EG}} \right) \right].$$

7. Suppose for some chart \mathbf{x} that $G = 1$ and $F = 0$ everywhere. Show that

$$K = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \frac{\partial}{\partial v^2} G$$

8. Consider the surface of revolution $\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (f(u) \cos(v), g(u), f(u) \sin(v))$ where $(f')^2 + (g')^2 = 1$. Write down what E , F , and G are for this chart and compute K from E , F , and G .