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Set #5

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Unit speed curve: (let  $\dot{\cdot} \equiv \frac{d}{ds}$ ,  $' \equiv \frac{d}{dt}$ )

$$\gamma(s) = \underline{x}(\gamma^1, \gamma^2)$$

$$\dot{\gamma} = \underline{x}_1 \dot{\gamma}^1 + \underline{x}_2 \dot{\gamma}^2 = \underline{x}_i \dot{\gamma}^i$$

$$\ddot{\gamma} = \underline{x}_k \ddot{\gamma}^k + \underline{x}_{ij} \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j = KN$$

$$\underline{x}_{ij} = L_{ij} \vec{n} + \Gamma_{ij}^k \underline{x}_k$$

$$KN = \ddot{\gamma} = \left\{ \ddot{\gamma}^k + \Gamma_{ij}^k \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j \right\} \underline{x}_k + L_{ij} \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j \vec{n}$$

$$K_n = \langle \ddot{\gamma}, \vec{n} \rangle = L_{ij} \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j$$

We find  $L_{ij}$  at (1,1):

$$\underline{x}(u^1, u^2) = (u^1, u^2, (u^1)^2 + (u^2)^2)$$

$$\underline{x}_1 = (1, 0, 2u^1)$$

$$\underline{x}_2 = (0, 1, 2u^2)$$

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$$\underline{x}_{11} = (0, 0, 2)$$

$$\underline{x}_{12} = (0, 0, 0) = \underline{x}_{21}$$

$$\underline{x}_{22} = (0, 0, 2)$$

~~...~~  $\vec{n} = \frac{(-2, -1, 1)}{\sqrt{6}}$

$$L_{ij} = \langle \underline{x}_{ij}, \vec{n} \rangle$$

$$L_{11} = (0, 0, 2) \cdot (-2, -1, 1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$L_{12} = (0, 0, 0) \cdot (-2, -1, 1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} = 0$$

$$L_{22} = (0, 0, 2) \cdot (-2, -1, 1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$L_{ij} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$K_n = L_{ij} \ddot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j = L_{ij} \frac{d}{dt} \dot{\gamma}^i \frac{d}{dt} \dot{\gamma}^j \frac{1}{|\dot{\gamma}|}$$

~~$$\dot{\gamma} = (2t, 1) \quad |\dot{\gamma}| = \sqrt{4t^2 + 1}$$~~

$$\dot{\gamma}^1(t) = t^2 \quad \ddot{\gamma}^1(t) = 2t \frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{2t}{|\dot{\gamma}|} \Big|_{t=1} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{41}}$$

$$\dot{\gamma}^2(t) = t \quad \ddot{\gamma}^2(t) = \frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{1}{|\dot{\gamma}|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{41}}$$

$$L_{ij} \ddot{\gamma}^i \dot{\gamma}^j = \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{41}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{41}} \right) \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2/\sqrt{41} \\ 1/\sqrt{41} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{41} \cdot \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} (2, 1) \cdot (2, 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{41} \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} (4+1) = \frac{10}{41\sqrt{6}}$$

#4.5 directly:

$$\gamma(t) = (t^2, t, t^4 + t^2)$$

$$ds = \left| \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \right| dt, \quad T = \frac{d\gamma}{ds} = \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \frac{dt}{ds} = \frac{\frac{d\gamma}{dt}}{|\frac{d\gamma}{dt}|}$$

$$KN = \frac{d}{ds} T = \frac{d}{ds} \left( \dot{\gamma} \frac{dt}{ds} \right) = \ddot{\gamma} \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^2 + \dot{\gamma} \frac{d^2 t}{ds^2} = \frac{d}{dt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{\vec{n}} = \langle KN, \vec{n} \rangle &= \left\langle \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^2 \ddot{\gamma} + \frac{d^2 t}{ds^2} \dot{\gamma}, \vec{n} \right\rangle \\ &= \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^2 \langle \ddot{\gamma}, \vec{n} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{\gamma} = (2t, 1, 4t^3 + 2t)$$

$$\left( \frac{ds}{dt} \right)^2 = |\dot{\gamma}|^2 = 4t^2 + 1 + (4t^3 + 2t)^2 \Big|_{t=1} = 41$$

$$\ddot{\gamma} = (2, 0, 12t^2 + 2) \Big|_{t=1} = \overline{(2, 0, 14)}$$

$$\vec{n} = \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} i \quad j \quad k \\ \hline 1 \quad 0 \quad 2 \\ 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \end{array} \Bigg| \cdot \frac{1}{11} = \frac{(-2, -2, 1)}{\sqrt{6}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 K_n &= \left( \frac{dt}{ds} \right)^2 \langle \ddot{\gamma}, \vec{n} \rangle \Big|_{t=1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{41} \overrightarrow{(2, 0, 14)} \cdot (-2, -2, 1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\
 &= \frac{-4 + 14}{41\sqrt{6}} = \frac{10}{41\sqrt{6}} \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

#4.9 On unit sphere,  $|\gamma(t)| = 1 = \gamma(t) \cdot \gamma(t)$ .

Thus:  $\dot{\gamma} \cdot \gamma + \gamma \cdot \dot{\gamma} = 0$   $\gamma = \vec{n}$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\gamma} \cdot \gamma = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\gamma} \cdot \gamma + \dot{\gamma} \cdot \dot{\gamma} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \ddot{\gamma} \cdot \vec{n} + |\dot{\gamma}|^2 = 0$$

But:  $K_n = \frac{\langle \ddot{\gamma}, \vec{n} \rangle}{\left| \frac{ds}{dt} \right|^2} \Rightarrow K_n + \frac{|\dot{\gamma}|^2}{|\dot{\gamma}|^2} = 0$

$$K_n = -1 \checkmark$$

# 4.10

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"The only unit speed curves of constant curvature are circles or lines"

Assume:  $K_g = \text{const}$ .  $K = \sqrt{K_g^2 + K_n^2} = \text{const} \Rightarrow$   
circle.

(#5.3) Show on  $S^2$  the gt circles are geodesic

By (4.10),  $K_g = \text{const} \Rightarrow \gamma(s)$  is circle  $\Rightarrow$

if  $K_g = 0$  ( $\equiv$  geodesic) then  $\gamma(s)$  is circle.

But on geodesic,  $\ddot{\gamma}(s) = |\ddot{\gamma}(s)| \vec{n}$ , and  
on ~~circle~~  $S^2$ ,  $\vec{n} = \gamma(s)$ .  $\therefore$

$$|\ddot{\gamma}(s) \cdot \gamma| = |\ddot{\gamma}(s)| = K$$

$$\text{But } \gamma \cdot \gamma = 1 \Rightarrow \dot{\gamma} \cdot \gamma = 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{\gamma} \cdot \gamma - \dot{\gamma} \cdot \dot{\gamma} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\gamma} \cdot \gamma = -1 \Rightarrow K = 1 \Rightarrow \gamma \text{ great circle.}$$

#5.1  $\underline{x}(t, \theta) = (r(t) \cos \theta, r(t) \sin \theta, z(t)) = \gamma(t)$

a) ~~Assume~~ Assume:  $\gamma(t)$  is parameterized by arclength; ie.,  $|\dot{\gamma}|^2 = \dot{r}^2 + \dot{z}^2 = 1$ . Then

$\ddot{\gamma}(t) = (\ddot{r} \cos \theta, \ddot{r} \sin \theta, \ddot{z}) = \kappa N$

c)  $\vec{n} = \underline{x}_1 \times \underline{x}_2 = (\dot{r} \cos \theta, \dot{r} \sin \theta, \dot{z}) \times (-r \sin \theta, r \cos \theta, 0)$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \dot{r} \cos \theta & \dot{r} \sin \theta & \dot{z} \\ -r \sin \theta & r \cos \theta & 0 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{matrix} -\dot{z} r \dot{\theta} \cos \theta & -\dot{z} r \dot{\theta} \sin \theta \\ \dot{r} r \cos \theta & \dot{r} r \sin \theta \end{matrix}$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{n} = (-\dot{z} \cos \theta, -\dot{z} \sin \theta, \dot{r}) = r (-\dot{z} \frac{\cos \theta}{r}, -\dot{z} \frac{\sin \theta}{r}, \frac{\dot{r}}{r})$

~~$1 = |\dot{\gamma}|^2 = \dot{\gamma} \cdot \dot{\gamma} \Rightarrow \dot{\gamma} \cdot \ddot{\gamma} = 0$~~

~~$0 = (\ddot{r} \cos \theta, \ddot{r} \sin \theta, \ddot{z}) \cdot (\dot{r} \cos \theta, \dot{r} \sin \theta, \dot{z})$~~

~~$0 = \dot{r} \ddot{r} + \dot{z} \ddot{z} \quad \ddot{z} = -\frac{\dot{r} \ddot{r}}{\dot{z}}$~~

~~$(\dot{r} \ddot{r})^2 + (\dot{z} \ddot{z})^2 = (1 - \dot{z}^2) \ddot{r}^2 = \dot{z}^2 \ddot{z}^2$~~



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$$\text{But: } \dot{r}^2 + \dot{z}^2 = 1 \Rightarrow 2\dot{r}\ddot{r} + 2\dot{z}\ddot{z} = 0$$

$$\dot{r}\ddot{r} + \dot{z}\ddot{z} = 0$$

$$\ddot{z} = -\frac{\dot{r}\ddot{r}}{\dot{z}}$$

$$\therefore \ddot{\gamma} = \left( \ddot{r} \cos \theta, \ddot{r} \sin \theta, -\frac{\dot{r}\ddot{r}}{\dot{z}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\dot{r}\ddot{r}}{\dot{z}} (\dot{z} \cos \theta, \dot{z} \sin \theta, -\dot{r}) \parallel \dot{\gamma}$$

$\Rightarrow \gamma$  is geodesic. ✓

$$\textcircled{b} \text{ Latitude: } \underline{x}(t, \theta) = (r(t) \cos \theta, r(t) \sin \theta, z(t)) \\ = \gamma(\theta)$$

$$\gamma'(\theta) = (-r \sin \theta, r \cos \theta, 0)$$

$$|\gamma'| = r = \frac{ds}{d\theta} \Rightarrow ds = r d\theta \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{s}{r}$$

$$\gamma\left(\frac{s}{r}\right) = (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z)$$

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$$\frac{d}{ds} \gamma\left(\frac{s}{r}\right) = \frac{1}{r} (-r \sin\theta, r \cos\theta, 0) = (-\sin\theta, \cos\theta, 0) = T$$

$$\frac{d^2}{ds^2} \gamma\left(\frac{s}{r}\right) = \frac{1}{r} (-\cos\theta, -\sin\theta, 0) = KN$$

$$\vec{n} = (-\dot{z} \cos\theta, -\dot{z} \sin\theta, \dot{r})$$

$$\therefore N \parallel \vec{n} \quad \text{iff} \quad \dot{r} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

#6.2  $\gamma(s)$  unit speed,  $S = \vec{n} \times T$ . Now by Prop 6.10,  $\gamma$  geodesic iff maximally straight iff  $T$  is  $\parallel$  along  $\gamma$ . But  $S$  is unit and makes const  $90^\circ$  angle with  $T$  on  $\gamma(s) \Rightarrow$  by Prop 6.9,  $S$  is  $\parallel$  along  $\gamma$  iff  $T$  is  $\parallel$  along  $\gamma$ .  $\checkmark$

#6.3 (a)  $N = a\vec{n} + bS$  since  $N \perp T$

$$X_N = \cancel{a\vec{n}} + \cancel{bS} = bS$$

$$N - \langle N, \vec{n} \rangle \vec{n} = N - a\vec{n} = bS \checkmark$$

(b) (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii)  $X_N = 0 \Leftrightarrow b = 0 \Leftrightarrow N = a\vec{n} \Leftrightarrow N$  is parallel to  $\vec{n} \Leftrightarrow \gamma$  geodesic

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)  $X_N = 0 \Rightarrow X_N \parallel$  along  $\gamma \checkmark$

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i)  $X_N \parallel$  along  $\gamma \Rightarrow S \parallel$  along  $\gamma \Rightarrow T \parallel$  along  $\gamma \Rightarrow \gamma$  geodesic  $\Rightarrow X_N = 0 \checkmark$