

FINAL EXAM
Math 116
Temple

#1. (36pts) Let $\alpha(s)$ be a regular curve in \mathbb{R}^3 , parameterized by arclength.

i) Give the definitions of $T(s)$, $N(s)$, $B(s)$, $\kappa(s)$, and $\tau(s)$.

ii) Give the 3×3 matrix A such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} T' \\ N' \\ B' \end{bmatrix} = A \begin{bmatrix} T \\ N \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

iii) Define the osculating plane, normal plane and rectifying plane at a point P on the curve α .

#2. (12pts) Let $\alpha(t)$ denote a regular curve in \mathbb{R}^3 , and assume that $|\alpha'(t)| = \text{const.}$ independent of t . Show that $\langle \alpha', \alpha'' \rangle = 0$, where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the dot product on \mathbb{R}^3 .

#3. (25pts) Let $\alpha(t) = (\cos(\pi t), \sin(\pi t), t)$. Find explicit formulas for $T(t)$, $N(t)$, $B(t)$, $\kappa(t)$, and $\tau(t)$.

#4. (16pts) Let $\alpha(s)$ be a unit speed curve in \mathbb{R}^3 . Find a vector $w(s)$ such that $T' = w \times T$, $N' = w \times N$, and $B' = w \times B$. The vector w is called the Darboux vector.

#5. Let x and y be two different coordinate systems on a surface M ,

$$x: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, x(u^1, u^2) \in M;$$

$$y: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, y(v^1, v^2) \in M.$$

A) (16pts) Let $J^i_\alpha = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial v^\alpha}$ denote the Jacobian of the transformation

that takes (v^1, v^2) to (u^1, u^2) , and let $J^\alpha_i = \frac{\partial v^\alpha}{\partial u^i}$ denote its inverse.

Let $X = X^i x_i = X^1 x_1 + X^2 x_2$ be a vector field on M , and let $g_{ij} = \langle x_i, x_j \rangle$ denote the metric and L^i_j denote the second fundamental form on M . Write the coordinate transformation laws for X^i , x_i , g_{ij} and L^i_j in terms of $\frac{\partial u^i}{\partial v^\alpha}$ and $\frac{\partial v^\alpha}{\partial u^i}$ using the summation convention.

B) (48pts) Assume that

$$x(u^1, u^2) = (\sin(u^1 u^2), \cos(u^1 u^2), \ln(u^1)),$$

and

$$y^{-1} \circ x = (v^1(u^1, u^2), v^2(u^1, u^2)) = (u^2 \cos(u^1), e^{u^1 u^2}).$$

i) Find x_1 and x_2 in terms of (u^1, u^2) .

ii) What vector $X^i x_i = X^1 x_1 + X^2 x_2$ in TM corresponds to the vector $3 \frac{\partial}{\partial u^1} + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial u^2}$ at the point $(u^1, u^2) = (\pi, 1)$ in u -space.

iii) What vector in the y -coordinates corresponds to the vector $3 \frac{\partial}{\partial u^1} + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial u^2}$ at the point $(u^1, u^2) = (\pi, 1)$ in u -space.

iv) If

$$g_{ij} = \langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{ij},$$

at the point $(u^1, u^2) = (\pi, 1)$ in u -coordinates, find the metric entries at the corresponding point in y -coordinates.

#6. (15pts) Let X and Y be vector fields on M that are parallel along a curve γ in M . Show that the angle between X and Y is constant along γ .

#7. Recall that γ is a geodesic on M if

$$(*) \quad (\gamma'')^k + \Gamma^k_{ij} (\gamma')^i (\gamma')^j = 0,$$

all along γ , where

$$\Gamma^k_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} g^{k\sigma} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} g_{i\sigma} + \frac{\partial}{\partial u^i} g_{\sigma j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial u^\sigma} g_{ij} \right\}.$$

(We assume the summation convention.)

i) (12pts) Show that if $\gamma(s)$ solves $(*)$, then so does $\gamma(cs)$, where c is any real constant.

ii) (20pts) If $g_{ij} = \langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} u^1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{ij}$, find Γ^k_{ij} for all $i, j, k = 1, 2$, and write the equations $(*)$ in this case.