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## Exam #2

**Instructions**. Please put your name at the top of the exam. Read over the entire exam before you begin; you should work on the problems you'll find easiest first. Continue your work on the backs of pages or on extra sheets. *If your solution runs over onto these pages, please indicate that clearly*. If you use extra sheets, be sure to staple them to the rest of your exam and put your name on them.

## Questions

- 1. True/False
  - (a) Define  $S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : xyz = 0\}$ . Then S is a smooth surface.
  - (b) Let  $\Delta \subset S^2$  be a triangle whose sides lie along great circles. Then the sum of the angles formed at the vertices exceeds  $\pi$ .
  - (c) Let  $\sigma: U \to \mathbb{R}^3$  be a surface patch on an oriented surface  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  and

$$I = Edu^{2} + 2Fdudv + Gdv^{2}$$
$$II = Ldu^{2} + 2Mdudv + Ndv^{2}$$

the induced first and second fundamental forms. Suppose F = M = 0. Then the Gauss curvature vanishes.

- (d) The map  $\sigma$  is area-preserving if and only if  $EG F^2 = 1$ . (Here, and in subsequent problems, we use the standard metric in the (u, v)-plane.)
- (e) The map  $\sigma$  is conformal if and only if E = G.
- (f) Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be a surface and  $p \in S$ . Then there exists a Cartesian coordinate system (x, y, z) in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and a function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  such that S is the graph  $\{(x, y, f(x, y)) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}.$

2. Let 0 < r < R and consider the torus  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  described by the equations

$$x = (R + r\cos\phi)\cos\theta$$
$$y = (R + r\cos\phi)\sin\theta$$
$$z = r\sin\phi$$

where  $0 \leq \phi, \theta \leq 2\pi$ . Consider the parametrized curve  $\gamma : [0, \pi] \to S$  described by the equations  $\phi = \pi/2$ ,  $\theta = t$  and the vector field  $\xi$  along  $\gamma$  given by  $\xi_{(x,y,z)} = (x, y, 0)$ . Compute the covariant derivative  $\nabla_{\gamma}\xi = \nabla_{\gamma'}\xi$  of  $\xi$  along  $\gamma$ .

3. Consider the helicoid, parametrized by

$$\sigma(u, v) = (v \, \cos u, v \, \sin u, \lambda u),$$

where  $\lambda$  is a positive constant, 0 < v < 2, and  $-10\pi < u < 10\pi$ . Complete the following for each point on the surface

- (a) Compute the first fundamental form.
- (b) Compute the second fundamental form.
- (c) Compute the Gauss and mean curvatures.
- (d) Compute the principal curvatures.
- (e) Write an expression for the total area of the image of  $\sigma$ . Do not evaluate the integrals.
- (f) Let  $C_1$  be the image of the curve  $t \mapsto \sigma(t,0)$  and  $C_2$  the image of the curve  $t \mapsto \sigma(0,t)$ . Compute the angle of intersection of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .
- 4. Let  $S^2$  be the unit sphere and  $\gamma$  be the latitudinal circle which is the intersection of the plane  $z = z_0$  with  $S^2$  (for some  $z_0 \in (-1, 1)$ . Compute  $|\kappa_g|$  = the absolute value of the geodesic curvature of  $\gamma$ .