

# Math 4441

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## LAST TIME

We defined the normal and geodesic curvatures, and began looking for formulas for them in terms of  $\vec{x}$ ,  $\vec{\alpha}_u$ , and their derivatives

Idea: Split  $\vec{\alpha}$  into its "normal" and "geodesic" parts.

## TODAY

 Keep Computing.

Big picture / long term: only want things to depend on  $(g_{ij})$  and  $\vec{\alpha}_u$ , if possible.

Four steps:

- ① Express  $\vec{\alpha}''$  in terms of  $\vec{\alpha}_u$  and  $\vec{x}$  and their derivatives.

Done: 
$$\vec{\alpha}'' = \sum_{i=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)'' \vec{x}_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \vec{x}_{ij}$$

- ② Wild new notation / packaging for the second derivatives of  $\vec{x}$ .

- ③ Use this new notation to express  $\vec{x}_{ij}$  in the basis  $\{\vec{n}, \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2\}$ .

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Based on ①, decomposing  $\vec{\alpha}''$  into normal and tangential ( $\approx$  geodesic) components will require decomposing  $\vec{x}_{ij}$

So we want to write

$$\vec{x}_{ij} = ?? \underbrace{\vec{x}_1 + \vec{x}_2}_{\text{tangential}} + ?? \underbrace{\vec{n}}_{\text{normal}}$$

Note: We **do not** necessarily have an ONB.

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Our new notation will give away the story.

Def'n The coefficients of the second fundamental form

for  $\vec{x}$  are the functions  $L_{ij} : U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  def'd by

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

for  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ .

For now this is just notation.

Later: A bilinear form  $T_p M \times T_p M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  rep'd by  $L_{ij}$ .

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Def The Christoffel symbols of  $\vec{x}: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  are the eight functions  $\Gamma_{ij}^k: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  def'd by

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k := \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_\ell \rangle g^{\ell k},$$

for  $1 \leq i, j, k \leq 2$ .

This definition is gross! But remember where (we're hoping) it comes from:  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  should be the coefficient on  $\vec{x}_k$  in an expansion of  $\vec{x}_{ij}$ .

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Done:  $L_{ij} := \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{n} \rangle$  ;  $\Gamma_{ij}^k = \sum_{l=1}^2 \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_l \rangle g^{kl}$

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A note on bases: given a surface curve  
 $\vec{\alpha} = \vec{x} \circ \vec{\alpha}_u$ , we have three useful bases.

<u>basis</u>	<u>name</u>	<u>depends on</u>
$\{\vec{T}, \vec{N}, \vec{B}\}$	<u>Frenet frame</u>	<u>just the curve</u>
$\{\vec{T}, \vec{S}, \vec{n}\}$	<u>Darboux frame</u>	<u>curve + surface</u>
$\{\vec{n}, \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2\}$	<u>surface basis</u>	<u>just the surface</u>

\* NOT orthonormal

③ Use this new notation to express  $\vec{x}_{ij}$  in the basis  $\{\vec{n}, \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2\}$ .

Proposition Let  $\vec{x}: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a simple surface. Then

$$\vec{x}_{ij} = L_{ij} \vec{n} + \sum_{k=1}^2 \Gamma_{ij}^k \vec{x}_k,$$

for any  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ .

This is why we care about  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$ .

(Proof) For a chosen pair  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2$ , we know we

can write

$$\vec{x}_{ij} = A \vec{n} + B_1 \vec{x}_1 + B_2 \vec{x}_2$$

for some  $A, B_1, B_2$ .

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From  $\vec{x}_{ij} = A \vec{n} + B_1 \vec{x}_1 + B_2 \vec{x}_2$  we get A:

$$\langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{n} \rangle = \langle A \vec{n} + B_1 \vec{x}_1 + B_2 \vec{x}_2, \vec{n} \rangle$$

$$\uparrow = A.$$

But this is just  $L_{ij}$ !

So we have the right coefficient for  $\vec{n}$ .

For  $B_k$  ( $k=1$  or  $2$ ),

$$\langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_k \rangle = \langle A \vec{n} + B_1 \vec{x}_1 + B_2 \vec{x}_2, \vec{x}_k \rangle$$

$$= B_1 \langle \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_k \rangle + B_2 \langle \vec{x}_2, \vec{x}_k \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{l=1}^2 B_l g_{lk}$$

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So  $\langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_k \rangle = B_1 g_{1k} + B_2 g_{2k}$ , for  $k=1,2$ .

$$\text{Thus, } \begin{pmatrix} \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_1 \rangle \\ \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_2 \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B_1 g_{11} + B_2 g_{21} \\ B_1 g_{12} + B_2 g_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{12} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now we solve this matrix equation for  $\begin{matrix} \nearrow \\ : \end{matrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{12} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_1 \rangle \\ \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_2 \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g^{11} & g^{12} \\ g^{12} & g^{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_1 \rangle \\ \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_2 \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } B_k &= \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_1 \rangle g^{k1} + \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_2 \rangle g^{k2} \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^2 \langle \vec{x}_{ij}, \vec{x}_\ell \rangle g^{k\ell} = \Gamma_{ij}^k. \end{aligned}$$



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Done:  $\vec{x}_{ij} = L_{ij} \vec{n} + \sum_{k=1}^2 \Gamma_{ij}^k \vec{x}_k$

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We now have two ways of writing  $\vec{\alpha}''$ :

Ⓐ  $\vec{\alpha}'' = \frac{K_n}{1} \vec{n} + \frac{K_g}{1} \vec{s}$  ← tangent

Ⓑ  $\vec{\alpha}'' = \sum_{i=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)'' \vec{x}_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \vec{x}_{ij}$  ← neither tangent nor perpendicular

We can decompose  $\vec{x}_{ij}$  into normal & tangential parts:

$$\vec{x}_{ij} = L_{ij} \vec{n} + \sum_{k=1}^2 \Gamma_{ij}^k \vec{x}_k.$$

Subbing into Ⓑ:

$$\vec{\alpha}'' = \sum_{i=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)'' \vec{x}_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' L_{ij} \vec{n} + \sum_{i,j,k=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \Gamma_{ij}^k \vec{x}_k$$

$$= \left[ \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' L_{ij} \right] \vec{n} + \sum_{k=1}^2 \left[ (\alpha_u^k)'' + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \Gamma_{ij}^k \right] \vec{x}_k$$

④ Combine everything into formulas for  $\kappa_n$  &  $\kappa_g$ .

Altogether,

$$\vec{\alpha}'' = \kappa_n \vec{n} + \kappa_g \vec{S}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{\alpha}'' = \left[ \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' L_{ij} \right] \vec{n} + \sum_{k=1}^2 \left[ (\alpha_u^k)'' + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \Gamma_{ij}^k \right] \vec{x}_k. \end{array} \right.$$

Equating normal and tangential components:

$$\kappa_n = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' L_{ij}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \kappa_g \vec{S} = \sum_{k=1}^2 \left[ (\alpha_u^k)'' + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \Gamma_{ij}^k \right] \vec{x}_k \end{array} \right.$$

Yikes. These are scary, but they accomplish the goal:  
express  $\kappa_n$  and  $\kappa_g$  in terms of  $\vec{x}$ ,  $\vec{\alpha}_u$ , and  
their derivatives.

④ Combine everything into formulas for  $K_n$  &  $K_g$ .

$$K_n = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' L_{ij}$$

$$K_g \vec{S} = \sum_{k=1}^2 \left[ (\alpha_u^k)'' + \sum_{i,j=1}^2 (\alpha_u^i)' (\alpha_u^j)' \Gamma_{ij}^k \right] \vec{x}_k.$$

These equations can be hard to appreciate at first, but remember that we want to know what an inhabitant of  $\vec{x}$  can "see."

These equations tell us that

seeing  $K_n$  = seeing  $L_{ij}$

seeing  $K_g$  = seeing  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$

So we need to study  $L_{ij}$  &  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  some more.