

**Math 442**  
**Winter 2019**  
**Solutions to Homework 6**

2-5.3. Let  $\mathbf{x} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow S^2 \setminus \{N\}$  be given by

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \left( \frac{4u}{u^2 + v^2 + 4}, \frac{4v}{u^2 + v^2 + 4}, \frac{2(u^2 + v^2)}{u^2 + v^2 + 4} \right),$$

where here  $S^2$  is the sphere of radius 1 with center at  $(0, 0, 1)$  and  $N = (0, 0, 2)$ . (Of course,  $\mathbf{x}$  is just  $\pi^{-1}$  of exercise 16 in 2-2.) Now

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_u(u, v) &= \left( \frac{4(v^2 - u^2 + 4)}{(u^2 + v^2 + 4)^2}, \frac{-8vu}{(u^2 + v^2 + 4)^2}, \frac{16u}{(u^2 + v^2 + 4)^2} \right) \\ \mathbf{x}_v(u, v) &= \left( \frac{-8uv}{(u^2 + v^2 + 4)^2}, \frac{4(u^2 - v^2 + 4)}{(u^2 + v^2 + 4)^2}, \frac{16v}{(u^2 + v^2 + 4)^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

If  $(u_0, v_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} F(u_0, v_0) &= \langle \mathbf{x}_u, \mathbf{x}_v \rangle_{\mathbf{x}(u_0, v_0)} = 0 \\ E(u_0, v_0) &= \langle \mathbf{x}_u, \mathbf{x}_u \rangle_{\mathbf{x}(u_0, v_0)} = \frac{16}{(u_0^2 + v_0^2 + 4)^2} \\ G(u_0, v_0) &= \langle \mathbf{x}_v, \mathbf{x}_v \rangle_{\mathbf{x}(u_0, v_0)} = \frac{16}{(u_0^2 + v_0^2 + 4)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if  $p = \mathbf{x}(u_0, v_0)$ , we have

$$I_p(a\mathbf{x}_u + b\mathbf{x}_v) = \frac{16}{(u_0^2 + v_0^2 + 4)^2} (a^2 + b^2).$$

2-5.11a. Parametrize  $C$  by arc length; as in Example 4 on page 78 of do Carmo, we let

$$x = f(v), \quad z = g(v), \quad 0 < v < l, \quad f(v) > 0$$

be this parametrization. We then have the parametrization  $\mathbf{x} : U \rightarrow S \setminus C$  given by

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (f(v) \cos u, f(v) \sin u, g(v)),$$

where  $U = \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < u < 2\pi, 0 < v < l\}$ . Then the area of  $S$  is given by

$$A(S) = \int_0^l \int_0^{2\pi} |\mathbf{x}_u \wedge \mathbf{x}_v| \, du \, dv.$$

(Actually this expression is not quite justified (why?); however, you need not provide a proof.)

Now

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_u &= (-f(v) \sin u, f(v) \cos u, 0) \\ \mathbf{x}_v &= (f'(v) \cos u, f'(v) \sin u, g'(v)),\end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}|\mathbf{x}_u \wedge \mathbf{x}_v| &= |(g'(v)f(v) \cos u, g'(v)f(v) \sin u, -f(v)f'(v))| \\ &= f(v)\sqrt{g'(v)^2 + f'(v)^2} = f(v) = \rho(v).\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$A(S) = \int_0^l \int_0^{2\pi} \rho(v) \, du \, dv = 2\pi \int_0^l \rho(v) \, dv.$$

b. Let  $C$  be the circle in the  $xz$ -plane with radius  $r$  and center  $(a, 0, 0)$ , with  $r < a$ . The surface obtained by rotating  $C$  around the  $z$ -axis is a torus  $T$ . If we parametrize  $C$  by starting at  $x = a + r$  and proceeding counterclockwise, we obtain

$$\rho(s) = a + r \cos\left(\frac{s}{r}\right) \quad 0 \leq s \leq 2\pi r.$$

Then, by part a),

$$A(T) = 2\pi \int_0^{2\pi r} a + r \cos\left(\frac{s}{r}\right) \, ds = 4\pi^2 r a.$$

2-5.14 a. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \text{grad } f(p), \mathbf{x}_u \rangle &= df_p(\mathbf{x}_u) = \frac{\partial(f \circ \mathbf{x})}{\partial u} \equiv f_u \\ \langle \text{grad } f(p), \mathbf{x}_v \rangle &= df_p(\mathbf{x}_v) = \frac{\partial(f \circ \mathbf{x})}{\partial v} \equiv f_v.\end{aligned}$$

Write  $\text{grad } f(p) = a\mathbf{x}_u + b\mathbf{x}_v$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ . (Of course,  $a$  and  $b$  depend upon  $p$ .) Then the above formulas yield

$$\begin{aligned}aE + bF &= f_u \\ aF + bG &= f_v.\end{aligned}$$

Solve for  $a$  and  $b$  to get

$$\begin{aligned}a &= \frac{f_u G - f_v F}{EG - F^2} \\ b &= \frac{f_u F - f_v E}{F^2 - EG}.\end{aligned}$$

Note that since  $\mathbf{x}_u$  and  $\mathbf{x}_v$  are linearly independent,  $\mathbf{x}_u \wedge \mathbf{x}_v \neq 0$ . Thus  $EG - F^2 = |\mathbf{x}_u \wedge \mathbf{x}_v|^2 > 0$ .

b. By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,

$$df_p(v) \leq |\langle \text{grad } f(p), v \rangle_p| \leq |\text{grad } f(p)|$$

whenever  $|v| = 1$ . If  $v = \text{grad } f(p)/|\text{grad } f(p)|$ , this maximum is attained. Since equality holds in the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality only when  $v$  and  $\text{grad } f(p)$  are collinear, the maximum of  $df_p(v)$ ,  $|v| = 1$ , occurs only when  $v = \text{grad } f(p)/|\text{grad } f(p)|$ .

c. Let  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , and let  $C = f^{-1}(c) \subset S$ . If  $\text{grad } f(p) \neq 0$  for any  $p \in C$ , then  $df_p : T_p S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is onto and thus  $c$  is a regular value. It follows from Exercise 28 of 2-4 that  $C$  is a regular curve.

Suppose now that  $\alpha : I \rightarrow C$  is a smooth parametrized curve with  $\alpha(0) = p$ . Then  $(f \circ \alpha)(t) = c$  for all  $t \in I$ ; this implies that

$$0 = (f \circ \alpha)'(0) = df_p(\alpha'(0)) = \langle \text{grad } f(p), \alpha'(0) \rangle_p.$$

Since any vector in  $T_p C$  is of the form  $\alpha'(0)$  for some such  $\alpha$ , it follows that  $\text{grad } f(p)$  is normal to  $C$  at  $p$ .

2-6.1. We prove the contrapositive. Suppose  $S$  is an orientable regular surface covered by connected coordinate neighborhoods  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ . Choose an orientation on  $S$ , and let  $\mathbf{x}_1 : U_1 \rightarrow V_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2 : U_2 \rightarrow V_2$  be parametrizations. Since  $U_i$  is connected, it follows that  $d\mathbf{x}_i(q) : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow T_{\mathbf{x}_i(q)} S$  is either orientation preserving for all  $q \in U_i$  or orientation reversing for all  $q \in U_i$ . Write  $\tau(\mathbf{x}_i) = 1$  if  $d\mathbf{x}_i(q)$  is orientation preserving and  $\tau(\mathbf{x}_i) = -1$  if  $d\mathbf{x}_i(q)$  is orientation reversing. Then the Jacobian determinant of  $\mathbf{x}_2^{-1} \circ \mathbf{x}_1$  is always positive if  $\tau(\mathbf{x}_1)\tau(\mathbf{x}_2) = 1$  and always negative if  $\tau(\mathbf{x}_1)\tau(\mathbf{x}_2) = -1$ . In particular, the sign of the Jacobian of  $\mathbf{x}_2^{-1} \circ \mathbf{x}_1$  must be unchanging on  $V_1 \cap V_2$ .

2-6.2. We have that  $d\varphi_p : T_p S_1 \rightarrow T_{\varphi(p)} S_2$  is an isomorphism since  $\varphi$  is a local diffeomorphism at  $p$ . Choose the orientation on  $T_p S_1$  such that  $d\varphi_p$  is orientation preserving. (We assume that we have chosen an orientation on  $S_2$ .) Now choose a connected coordinate neighborhood  $V$  of  $p$  such that  $\varphi|_V : V \rightarrow \varphi(V)$  is a diffeomorphism onto an open set in  $S_2$ . Let  $\mathbf{x} : U \rightarrow V$  be a parametrization. Then  $\varphi \circ \mathbf{x} : U \rightarrow \varphi(V)$  is a parametrization and therefore  $d(\varphi \circ \mathbf{x})(q)$  is orientation preserving for all  $q \in U$  or orientation reversing for all  $q \in U$ . Since  $d(\varphi \circ \mathbf{x})(q) = d\varphi(\mathbf{x}(q)) \circ d\mathbf{x}(q)$ , and we have defined our orientation on each tangent plane of  $S_1$  so that  $d\varphi$  is orientation preserving, it follows that  $d\mathbf{x}(q)$  is either orientation preserving for all  $q \in U$  or orientation reversing for all  $q \in U$ . Since  $p \in S_1$  is arbitrary, this shows that  $S_1$  is orientable.

2-6.4. Let  $S$  be a connected orientable regular surface, and let  $N : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be an orientation. If  $M : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is another orientation, we have that  $M(p) = \pm N(p)$  for each  $p \in S$ . Consider the set  $C = \{p \in S : M(p) = N(p)\}$ . I claim that  $C$  is both open and closed in  $S$ . Assuming this, it follows by the connectivity of  $S$  that either  $C = \emptyset$  or  $C = S$ . If  $C = S$ , we have that  $M = N$ ; if  $C = \emptyset$ , we have that  $M = -N$ . Therefore,  $S$  has exactly two orientations.

We now prove the claim. Since  $M$  and  $N$  are continuous, it is immediate that  $C$  is closed. But

$$S \setminus C = \{p \in S : M(p) = -N(p)\},$$

and by the same argument,  $S \setminus C$  is closed. Therefore,  $C$  is open as well, completing the proof.