

Introduction to Differential Geometry

Graduation Exam: Fall 2019

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1. Let $\alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular curve with $\kappa \neq 0$ and Frenet-Serre apparatus $\{\kappa, \tau, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{B}\}$. Derive the Frenet-Serre equations.

2. Consider the circular helix

$$\alpha(s) = (r \cos \omega s, r \sin \omega s, h \omega s)$$

where r , h and ω are some constants. When $\alpha(s)$ is a unit speed regular curve and what is the corresponding Frenet-Serre apparatus?

3. Let M be the graph of a smooth function $z = h(x, y)$ in \mathbb{R}^3 , so that M can be parametrized by $\sigma(x, y) = (x, y, h(x, y))$. Let $e_1 = \sigma_*\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\right)$ and $e_2 = \sigma_*\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)$.
 - (a) Find the coefficients of the first fundamental form relative to e_1, e_2 .
 - (b) Find the coefficients of the second fundamental form relative to e_1, e_2 .
 - (c) Find the formula for the Gaussian curvature.