

Solutions
Math 147A
Winter 2012
Homework 5

2.1 Since u , v , and $f(u, v)$ are all smooth, the surface patch

$$\sigma(u, v) = (u, v, f(u, v)),$$

is smooth. To check regularity compute

$$\sigma_u = (1, 0, f_u(u, v)),$$

$$\sigma_v = (0, 1, f_v(u, v)),$$

and

$$\sigma_u \times \sigma_v = (-f_u, -f_v, 1),$$

which is never zero.

2.2 To check that the surface patch

$$\sigma_+^x(u, v) = (\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}, u, v),$$

is regular compute its partial derivatives

$$\sigma_{+u}^x = \left(\frac{-u}{\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}}, 1, 0 \right),$$

$$\sigma_{+v}^x = \left(\frac{-v}{\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}}, 0, 1 \right),$$

and

$$\sigma_{+u}^x \times \sigma_{+v}^x = \left(1, \frac{u}{\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}}, \frac{v}{\sqrt{1 - u^2 - v^2}} \right),$$

which is never zero. Similarly, the other surface patches are also regular.

The transition function

$$\Phi(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = (\sigma_+^x)^{-1} \circ \sigma_+^z(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = (\tilde{v}, \sqrt{1 - \tilde{u}^2 - \tilde{v}^2})$$

is smooth. The other 23 transition functions also consist of one of the coordinates and $\sqrt{1 - \tilde{u}^2 - \tilde{v}^2}$ thus are also smooth.

2.3 i. The map σ is injective as $(u, v, uv) = (x, y, xy)$ implies $(u, v) = (x, y)$. Since

$$\sigma_u = (1, 0, v),$$

$$\sigma_v = (0, 1, u),$$

$$\sigma_u \times \sigma_v = (-v, -u, 1),$$

this is a regular surface patch.

- ii. The map σ is injective as $(u, v^2, v^3) = (x, y^2, y^3)$ implies $u = x$ and $v^3 = y^3$, hence $(u, v) = (x, y)$. However,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_u &= (1, 0, 0), \\ \sigma_v &= (0, 2v, 3v^2), \\ \sigma_u \times \sigma_v &= (0, -3v^2, 2v),\end{aligned}$$

showing this surface patch is not regular on the line $v = 0$.

- iii. The map σ is not injective as $\sigma(0, 1) = (0, 1, 1) = \sigma(-1, 1)$. Also,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_u &= (1 + 2u, 0, 0), \\ \sigma_v &= (0, 1, 2v), \\ \sigma_u \times \sigma_v &= (0, -2v(1 + 2u), 1 + 2u)\end{aligned}$$

showing this map is not regular on the line $u = -1/2$.

4.1 The normal vector is $\sigma_u \times \sigma_v(1, 1)$. Since

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$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_u &= (1, 0, 2u), \\ \sigma_v &= (0, 1, -2v), \\ \sigma_u \times \sigma_v &= (-2u, 2v, 1),\end{aligned}$$

which is $(-2, 2, 1)$ at $(1, 1, 0)$, thus the tangent plane is given by

$$-2x + 2y + z = 0$$

- ii. The normal vector is $\sigma_r \times \sigma_\theta(1, 0)$. Since

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_r(1, 0) &= (1, 0, 2), \\ \sigma_\theta(1, 0) &= (0, 1, 0), \\ \sigma_r \times \sigma_\theta(1, 0) &= (-2, 0, 1)\end{aligned}$$

which is $(-2, 2, 1)$ at $(1, 1, 0)$, thus the tangent plane is given by

$$-2x + z = 0$$

4.2 Let $\tilde{\sigma}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{v}) = \sigma(u, v)$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_u &= \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial u} \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{u}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial u} \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{v}}, \\ \sigma_v &= \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial v} \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{u}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial v} \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{v}}.\end{aligned}$$

This shows that $\text{span}\{\sigma_u, \sigma_v\} \subset \text{span}\{\tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{u}}, \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{v}}\}$. The reverse containment is also true as

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{u}} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial \tilde{u}} \sigma_u + \frac{\partial v}{\partial \tilde{u}} \sigma_v, \\ \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{v}} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial \tilde{v}} \sigma_u + \frac{\partial v}{\partial \tilde{v}} \sigma_v.\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\text{span}\{\sigma_u, \sigma_v\} = \text{span}\{\tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{u}}, \tilde{\sigma}_{\tilde{v}}\}$.