

Machine Learning meets Geometry

## L3: Surfaces (II)

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#### Warm Up (Review)

#### **Differential Map**



#### **Directional Normal Curvature**



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#### **Principal Curvatures**

Maximal curvature:  $\kappa_1 = \kappa_{\max} = \max_{\varphi} \kappa_n(\varphi)$ Minimal curvature:  $\kappa_2 = \kappa_{\min} = \min_{\varphi} \kappa_n(\varphi)$ 



## **Principal Directions**



**Euler's Theorem:** Planes of principal curvature are orthogonal and independent of parameterization.

$$\kappa_n(\varphi) = \kappa_1 \cos^2 \varphi + \kappa_2 \sin^2 \varphi, \qquad \varphi = \text{angle with } t_1$$



- Shape Operator
- First Fundamental Form
- Fundamental Theorem of Surfaces
- Gaussian and Mean Curvature

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- ${\cal S}$  is called the  ${\rm shape}\ {\rm operator}$

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- This *linear map* S predicts the normal change when p moves along any direction!

#### **Computation of Principal Directions**

• Principal directions are the *eigenvectors* of *S* 

• Principal curvatures are the *eigenvalues* of *S* 

 Note: S is not a symmetric matrix! Hence, eigenvectors are not orthogonal in R<sup>2</sup>; only orthogonal when mapped to R<sup>3</sup>

## Example

Consider a nonstandard parameterization of the cylinder (sheared along *z*):  $\begin{bmatrix} -\sin(u) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$f(u, v) := [\cos(u), \sin(u), u + v]^{T} \qquad Df = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(u) & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(u) \\ \sin(u) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad DN = \begin{bmatrix} -\sin(u) & 0 \\ \cos(u) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad Df(X_{2}) \qquad Df(X_{1}) \qquad Df(X_$$

## **Summary of Shape Operator**

• A linear map between movement of point and movement of normal change

• The eigen-decomposition gives the principal curvature direction and values

#### **First Fundamental Form**

#### **First Claim**

## Curvature completely determines *local* surface geometry.

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However,

 $\exists f \text{ and } f^* \text{ such that:}$ 

(principal) curvature value and directions are the same for any pair  $(f(p),f^*(p)), \, \forall p \in U$ 

## **Does Curvature Uniquely Determine Global Geometry?**



However,

## **Curvature is Insufficient to Determine Surface Globally**

Other than measuring how the surface bends, we should also measure **length** and **angle!** 

#### **Local Isometric Surfaces**



We wrap the plane to become a cylinder without any distortion. That means, curve length can be preserved under the change of shape.

How can we quantify such invariance?

#### **First Fundamental Form**

• Defined as the inner product in  $\mathbf{T}_p(\mathbb{R}^3)$ :

$$\mathbf{I}_{p}(X, Y) = \langle Df_{p}X, Df_{p}Y \rangle$$
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{I}_{p}(X, Y) = X^{T}(Df_{p}^{T}Df_{p})Y$$

- I: First fundament form, given p, we obtain a bilinear function
- $\mathbf{I}_p$  is dependent on both p and f

## Arc-length by I(X, Y)

<u>c</u>t

• Suppose a point  $p \in U$  is moving with velocity X(t)

$$\gamma(t) = f(p(t)) = f(p_0 + \int_0^t X(t)dt)$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi'(t) = Df [Y(t)]$$

 $\Rightarrow \gamma'(t) = Df_{p(t)}[X(t)]$ 

• So:

$$\begin{split} s(t) &= \int_0^t \|\gamma'(t)\| dt = \int_0^t \sqrt{\langle Df_{p(t)}X(t), Df_{p(t)}X(t) \rangle} dt \\ &= \int_0^t \sqrt{\mathbf{I}_{p(t)}(X(t), X(t))} dt \end{split}$$

## Arc-length by I(X, Y)

$$s(t) = \int_0^t \sqrt{\mathbf{I}_{p(t)}(X(t), X(t))} dt$$

## With I, we have completely determined curve length within the surface without referring to f

#### **Local Isometric Surfaces**



For two surfaces M and  $M^*$ ,

- If there exists parameterizations f(U) = M and  $f^{\ast}(U) = M^{\ast}$
- such that  $\mathbf{I}_p = \mathbf{I}_p^*, \, \forall p \in U$
- Then the two surfaces are locally isometric

#### **Preserve length between corresponding curves!**

#### **Local Isometric Surfaces**



#### Verify by yourself:

$$f(u, v) = [u, v, 0]^T, \ f^*(u, v) = [\cos u, \sin u, v]^T$$
  
on  $U = \{(u, v) : u \in (0, 2\pi), v \in (0, 1)\}$ 

#### **Shape Classification by Isometry**



#### **Geodesic Distances**



#### **Distance Distribution Descriptor**

 Compute distribution of distances for point pairs randomly picked on the surface



## Angle of Curves by I(X, Y)

• Given two vectors (e.g., maximal principal direction)  $Df_p[Y] \in \mathbf{T}_{f_p}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ 



• The angle  $\varphi$  between the vectors is:

$$\cos \varphi = \langle \frac{Df_p X}{\|Df_p X\|}, \frac{Df_p Y}{\|Df_p Y\|} \rangle = \frac{\mathbf{I}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\mathbf{I}(X, X)}\sqrt{\mathbf{I}(Y, Y)}}$$

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#### **Summary of First Fundamental Form**

• Is a bilinear function over movement directions (velocities) in the tangent space of  $\mathbf{T}_p(\mathbb{R}^2)$ 

- Induced by the inner product in the tangent space at surface  $\operatorname{point} f(p)$ 

• Completely determines curve lengths and angles within the surface

## Fundamental Theorem of Surfaces

#### **First and Second Fundamental Forms**

- First fundamental form (angle and length):  $I(X, Y) = \langle Df_p X, Df_p Y \rangle$
- Second fundamental form (bending):  $\mathbf{II}(X, Y) = \langle DN_p X, Df_p Y \rangle$

• Recall the definition of normal curvature:

$$\kappa_n(X) := \frac{\langle DN_p X, Df_p X \rangle}{\langle Df_p X, Df_p X \rangle} = \frac{\mathbf{II}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{X})}{\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{X})}$$

#### **Uniqueness Result**

#### Theorem:

## A smooth surface is determined up to rigid motion by its first and second fundamental forms.

Note: compatible first and second fundamental forms have to satisfy the Gauss-Codazzi condition (just FYI)

#### **Gaussian and Mean Curvature**

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Gaussian and mean curvature also fully describe local bending:

Gaussian: 
$$K := \kappa_1 \kappa_2$$
  
mean:  $H := \frac{1}{2}(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2)$ 







K > 0"developable"K = 0K < 0 $H \neq 0$  $H \neq 0$ "minimal"H = 0

#### **Gauss's Theorema Egregium**

# The Gaussian curvature of an embedded smooth surface in $\mathbb{R}^3$ is invariant under the local isometries.

#### **Isometric Invariance**



isometry = length-preserving transform

#### End of the Story?



 $K = \kappa_1 \kappa_2$ 

## Second derivative quantity

#### End of the Story?



http://www.integrityware.com/images/MerceedesGaussianCurvature.jpg

#### **Non-unique**

## Summary of Gaussian and Mean Curvatures

•  $K = \kappa_1 \kappa_2$  and  $H = \frac{1}{2}(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2)$  are Gaussian and mean curvatures

- Locally isometric surfaces are invariant measured by Gaussian curvature
- Gaussian curvatures are vulnerable to noises in practice and not informative
- Stronger shape descriptors are needed