

The First Fundamental Form: Lengths of Curves on Surfaces-

HW Problems

1. Find the first fundamental form for each of the following surfaces:

a. $\vec{\Phi}(u, v) = (a(\cos(u)) \sin(v), b(\sin(u)) \sin(v), c(\cos(v)))$ (ellipsoid)

b. $\vec{\Phi}(u, v) = (av(\cos(u)), bv(\sin(u)), v^2)$ (elliptic paraboloid)

c. $\vec{\Phi}(u, v) = (u(\cosh(v)), u(\sinh(v)), u^2)$ (hyperbolic paraboloid).

2a. Calculate the first fundamental form for the helicoid given by

$$\vec{\Phi}(u, v) = (v\cos(u), v\sin(u), u).$$

b. Use the first fundamental form to calculate the lengths of the curves on the surface where:

i) $u(t) = t, v(t) = 1; 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

ii) $u(t) = t, v(t) = \sin(t); 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

iii) $u(t) = t, v(t) = t; 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ (just write down the definite integral in this case, but don't evaluate it).

3a. Calculate the first fundamental form for the surface given by

$$\vec{\Phi}(u, v) = (u + v, uv, u).$$

b. Use the first fundamental form to write down the integral (but don't evaluate it) that represents the length of the curve on the this surface where $u(t) = t$, $v(t) = t^2$, $0 \leq t \leq 2$.

4a. Calculate the first fundamental form for the surface given by

$$\vec{\Phi}(u, v) = ((\cos(v)) \cosh(u), (\sin(v)) \cosh(u), \sinh(u))$$

$$u \in \mathbb{R} \leq v \leq 2\pi.$$

b. Use the first fundamental form to write down the integral (but don't evaluate it) that represents the length of the curve on the this surface where $u(t) = 2t$, $v(t) = t^2$, $2 \leq t \leq 4$.