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Surfaces of revolution with constant $H$ or $K$?

Recall, for

$$X(u,v) = \langle g(u), h(u) \cos v, h(u) \sin v \rangle$$

$$[S] = \begin{bmatrix} k_u & 0 \\ 0 & k_v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{h''}{h} - \frac{g''}{g} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{g'}{h} \frac{1}{\sqrt{g'' + k_v^2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Constant $K$:** Assume $\beta(u) = \langle g(u), h(u) \rangle$ pbal

$$\Rightarrow k_u = h'g'' - g'h''$$

$$k_v = \frac{g'}{h}$$

$$\Rightarrow K = k_u k_v = \frac{g'}{h} \left( h'g'' - g'h'' \right) = \frac{g''h' - g'h''}{h}$$

$$= -h'k'' - (1-k'^2)k''$$

$$K = -\frac{h''}{h}$$

(This was old HW).

**K = 0 if $h'' = 0 \Rightarrow h(s) = as + b$$

$$g(s) = \sqrt{a^2 s^2 + d}$$

cones and cylinders
Scaling in $\mathbb{R}^3$ & effect on $K, H$:

Given $M^2$, $R>0$, define $N^2 = RM^2 = \{ Rp | L. \; p \in M^2 \}$. If $X: D \to M^2$ is a patch, then $Y = RX$ is a patch for $N$.

\[ Y_u = RX_u \implies U^N = U^M \]
\[ Y_v = RX_v \implies U^N = U^M \]

\[ U^N_v = U^M_v \]
\[ U^N_u = U^M_u \]

\[ \implies S^N(Y_u) = -U^N_u = -U^M_u = S^M(X_u) = a_{11}X_u + a_{21}X_v \]
\[ = \frac{a_{11}}{R}X_u + \frac{a_{21}}{R}X_v \]

\[ \implies [S]_{Y_u, Y_v} = \frac{1}{R}[S]_{X_u, X_v}. \]

\[ \implies K_N = \frac{1}{R^2}K_M \]
\[ H_N = \frac{1}{R}K_M \]

this makes sense if you think about normal curvatures too!

Thus by scaling we may consider the cases

$K = 0, 1, -1$
$H = 0, 1, -1$

and understand the surfaces completely.

\[ K = 1 \implies \text{see } (Hw \; 3.3.13) \]

$K = -1$

\[ h''(s) + h(s) = 0 \]

**Solve** $h(s) = Acosh + Bsinh$ solves

\[ \begin{cases} h''(s) + h(s) = 0 \\ h(0) = A \\ h'(0) = B \end{cases} \]

Must have $|h'(0)| < 1$, i.e. $|B| < 1$.

Then $g'(s) = \sqrt{1 - h'(s)^2} = \sqrt{1 - (A\sinh + B\cosh)^2}$, until $|A\sinh + B\cosh| = 1$.

\[ g(s) = \int_0^s \sqrt{1 - (A\sinh + B\cosh)^2} \, dt \]
Special cases

pseudosphere: \( h(s) = e^s \quad s \leq 0 \) (so \( |h'(s)| \leq 1 \))

\[ g(s) = \int_0^s \sqrt{1-e^{2t}} \, dt \]

The profile curve is a tractrix!

Condition for tractrix

\[ \langle g(s), h(s) \rangle + C \langle g'(s), h'(s) \rangle = 0 \quad \text{m x-axis} \]

\[ h(s) + C h'(s) = 0 \]

\[ h'(s) = -\frac{1}{C} h(s) \]

\[ \Rightarrow \quad h''(s) = -\frac{1}{C} h' = \frac{1}{C^2} h \]

\[ \frac{h''(s)}{h(s)} = \frac{1}{C^2} = -K \]

\[ K = -\frac{1}{C^2} \]

else, after translation

\[ h(s) = A \cosh s \]

\[ g(s) = \int_0^s \sqrt{1-A^2 \sinh^2 t} \, dt \]

- See book for pics!
Profile curves for surfaces of constant Gauss curvature
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It is interesting to find all surfaces of revolution with constant Gauss curvature, and also those with constant mean curvature. The following pictures follow ideas in the text, sections 3.3 and 3.6.

**Constant Gauss curvature:**
If the profile curve \( \langle g(s), h(s) \rangle \) is pbal \( g(s) \) component along axis, \( h(s) > 0 \) is distance to axis, then we derive that
\[
K(s) = h'^{-1}(s)h'(s).
\]
(a) \( K(s) = 0 \): We deduce immediately by antidifferentiation and the pbal condition that
\[
h(s) = A s + B
\]
\[
g(s) = (1 - A^2) s + C
\]
In case \( A = 0 \), these are cylinders and if \( A \) is non-zero these are cones. All cylinders and cones can be created with suitable choice of \( A \) and \( B \).

(b) \( K(s) = -1 \). In this case the general solution to
\[
h' = h(s) = 0
\]
\[
h(0) = A
\]
\[
h'(0) = B
\]
is
\[
h(s) = A\cosh(s) + B\sinh(s).
\]
Thus for a pbal curve moving in the positive axis direction,
\[
\frac{dg}{ds} = (1 - (A \sinh(s) + B \cosh(s))^2)
\]
so, assuming \( g(0)=0 \),
\[
g(s) = \int\frac{1}{(1 - (A \sinh(t) + B \cosh(t))^2) dt}
\]
Notice these curves terminate as soon as \( |dh/ds| \) becomes larger than 1, since then the pbal condition is lost. Also, if the profile curve as a local minimum, then if we solve the DE starting there the solution is just \( h(s) = A^2 \cosh(s) \). If there is never a local minimum then the prototype is \( h(s) = e^t \), say for \( s<0 \).

> h := s -> exp(s);
> g := s -> int(sqrt(1-exp(2*t)), t=0..s);
> h := exp
> g := s -> int(sqrt(1-e^{2*t}), t=0..s);

> with(plots):
plot([[g(s), h(s), s=-4..0], color=black, scaling=constrained, title=' pseudosphere profile']):

Warning, the name changecoords has been redefined
> plot3d([g(s),h(s)*cos(v),h(s)*sin(v)],s=-3..0,v=0..2*Pi,
  scaling=constrained, color=black, style=wireframe,
  axes=boxed, title='pseudosphere');

> h:=s->cosh(s):
g:=int(sqrt(1-sinh(t)^2),t=0..s):
> plot([g(s),h(s),s=(-.5)..(.5)],color=black,title='another profile');