

Differential Geometry

B. Math. III

Mid-Term Examination

Instructions: All questions carry equal marks.

1. Define parametrized curve, regular parametrized curve and unit-speed parametrized curve. Prove that a parametrized curve has a unit-speed reparametrization if and only if it regular. Give a unit speed parametrization of the circle of radius 5 around the point $(1, 0)$ in the plane.

2. Let C be a curve in \mathbb{R}^3 given by the parametrization

$$\gamma(t) = (\cos t, \sin t, 3t).$$

Draw C and find its curvature.

3. Let C be a regular curve in space with nowhere vanishing curvature. Define its torsion and prove that C is a plane curve if and only if its torsion is zero at all points.
4. Define a smooth surface in \mathbb{R}^3 , explaining every term used in its definition. Prove that the set of unit norm vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 is a smooth surface.
5. Define the standard unit normal of a regular surface patch. If $\sigma(u, v)$ is a surface patch with standard unit normal N , and the First Fundamental Form (E, F, G) , then prove that

$$N \times \sigma_u = \frac{E\sigma_v - F\sigma_u}{\sqrt{EG - F^2}}$$