

# Quiz 1: Riemannian surface

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Let  $\mathbb{R}^2$  denote two dimensional Euclidean space with the usual standard coordinates and structures. Let  $g_{11}$ ,  $g_{21} = g_{12}$ , and  $g_{22}$  be three real numbers with the symmetric matrix  $(g_{ij})$  positive definite.

Denote by  $\widehat{\mathbb{R}^2} = (\mathbb{R}^2, (g_{ij}))$  the Euclidean plane with the inner product

$$\langle (a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2) \rangle = \sum_{i,j=1}^2 g_{ij} a_i b_j$$

on each algebraic tangent space  $S_{\mathbf{z}} \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2}$ .

Preliminary problems

**Problem 1** Define the length

$$\widehat{\text{length}}[\gamma]$$

of a curve  $\gamma \in C^1([a, b] \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2})$ . Here  $C^1([a, b] \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2})$  denotes simply the trivial inclusion of  $C^1([a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2)$  into  $C^0([a, b] \rightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2})$  with  $\gamma'(t) = (\gamma'_1(t), \gamma'_2(t)) \in S_{\gamma(t)}\widehat{\mathbb{R}^2}$ .

**Problem 2** Find the perimeter of the “unit” square

$$\{(u_1, u_2) \in \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2} : 0 < u_1, u_2 < 1\}.$$

**Problem 3** Given  $a, b > 0$ , find the perimeter of the region

$$\left\{ (u_1, u_2) \in \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2} : \frac{u_1^2}{a^2} + \frac{u_2^2}{b^2} < 1 \right\}.$$

**Problem 4** Define the area

$$\widehat{\text{area}}[\Omega]$$

of a region  $\Omega \subset \widehat{\mathbb{R}^2}$

**Problem 5** Find the area of the “unit” square from Problem 2, and find the area of the region from Problem 3.

Main problem

**Main Problem 1** Find a surface  $\mathcal{S} = X(\mathbb{R}^2)$  given by a single parameterization

$$X : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$$

for which all the lengths and areas are actually (as computed using the standard Euclidean structures in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ) those of the corresponding regions in  $\widehat{\mathbb{R}^2}$ .