

Frame Field in \mathbb{R}^3 : $X = \frac{s}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \frac{s}{2} y \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ $Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{s}{2} x \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ $T = (1-s) \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$

Riemannian metric g so that these are orthonormal. That is, the inner product is given by sending vectors back by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{s}{2}y & \frac{s}{2}x & 1-s \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{1-s} \begin{bmatrix} 1-s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1-s & 0 \\ \frac{s}{2}y & -\frac{s}{2}x & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the vector $\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = uX + vY + \frac{\frac{s}{2}(uy - vx) + w}{1-s} T$

Now, calculate the Levi-Civita connection ∇ for g . Since X, Y, T are ONB, it reduces for

$$g(\nabla_A B, C) = \frac{1}{2} [g([A, B], C) + g([C, A], B) - g([B, C], A)]$$

some Lie brackets: $[X, Y] = s \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ $[X, T] = [Y, T] = 0$.

From this it is clear that $g(\nabla_A B, C) \neq 0$ only if all three fields are present.

$$g(\nabla_Y X, T) = \frac{1}{2} g(\frac{-s}{1-s} T, T) = \frac{-s/2}{1-s}$$

$$g(\nabla_T X, Y) = \frac{1}{2} (-g([X, Y], T)) = \frac{-s/2}{1-s}$$

$$g(\nabla_X Y, T) = \frac{s/2}{1-s}$$

$$g(\nabla_T Y, X) = \frac{s/2}{1-s}$$

$$g(\nabla_X T, Y) = \frac{-s/2}{1-s}$$

$$g(\nabla_Y T, X) = \frac{s/2}{1-s}$$

Represent this in a chart:

∇	X	Y	T	
X	0	T	$-Y$	• $\frac{s/2}{1-s}$
Y	$-T$	0	X	
T	$-Y$	X	0	

Now, the geodesic equation is $\nabla_{\gamma'} \gamma' = 0$. Say $\gamma' = aX + bY + cT$.

Recall that $\nabla_{\gamma'} \xi$ is linear in γ' and $\nabla_{\gamma'} f\xi = \eta(f)\xi + f\nabla_{\gamma'} \xi$, and also add five in \mathbb{E} .

Furthermore in this case $\eta(f) = f' g(\gamma, \gamma')$ if f is a function on $[0, 1]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{aX+bY+cT} aX+bY+cT &= a\nabla_X aX + a\nabla_X bY + a\nabla_X cT \\ &+ b\nabla_Y aX + b\nabla_Y bY + b\nabla_Y cT \\ &+ c\nabla_T aX + c\nabla_T bY + c\nabla_T cT \end{aligned}$$

$$= a \left[g(X, \gamma') a'X + g(X, \gamma') b'Y + g(X, \gamma') c'T + b \frac{s/2}{1-s} T + c \frac{-s/2}{1-s} Y \right]$$

$$+ b \left[g(Y, \gamma') a'X + g(Y, \gamma') b'Y + g(Y, \gamma') c'T + a \frac{-s/2}{1-s} T + c \frac{s/2}{1-s} X \right]$$

$$+ c \left[g(T, \gamma') a'X + g(T, \gamma') b'Y + g(T, \gamma') c'T + a \frac{-s/2}{1-s} Y + b \frac{s/2}{1-s} X \right]$$

$$= (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)(a'X + b'Y + c'T) + bc \frac{s}{1-s} X + ac \frac{-s}{1-s} Y \stackrel{\text{geodesic eq.}}{=} 0$$

Assuming $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$, this gives

$$\begin{cases} a' + bc \frac{s}{1-s} = 0 \\ b' + ac \frac{-s}{1-s} = 0 \\ c' = 0 \end{cases}$$

Translating to $\gamma = (x, y, z)$,

$$\begin{aligned} a &= x' & a' &= x'' \\ b &= y' & b' &= y'' \\ c &= \frac{\frac{s}{2}(x'y - xy') + z'}{1-s} & c' &= \frac{\frac{s}{2}(x''y - xy'') + z''}{1-s} \end{aligned}$$

So the geodesic equations are

$$\begin{cases} x'' + y' \frac{\frac{s}{2}(x'y - xy') + z'}{1-s} \frac{s}{1-s} = 0 \\ y'' + x' \frac{\frac{s}{2}(x'y - xy') + z'}{1-s} \frac{-s}{1-s} = 0 \\ \frac{s}{2}(x''y - xy'') + z'' = 0 \end{cases}$$