

# DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY

MATH 136

## Midterm Part I (in class October 16, 2025)

Sign your name. You have 30 minutes. Each question is one point. No half points.

- 1) If  $r(u, v)$  parametrizes a surface, then  $|r_u \times r_v|^2$  is  in terms of  $g$ .
- 2) If  $r(t)$  parametrizes a curve, then  $|r'(t)| = \sqrt{\det(g)}$  is called the .
- 3) The integral  $\int_a^b \sqrt{\det(g)} dt$  for a curve  $r(t)$  was called  integral.
- 4) The curvature of a circle of radius  $1/7$  is .
- 5) The result that the shortest connection between two points in the plane is a line is the  theorem.
- 6) The curve with name  has constant curvature and non-zero constant torsion.
- 7) The curve  $[0, \cos(3t), \sin(3t), 0]$  has curvature  and torsion .
- 8) The Frenet frame in 3 dimensions is also called the  frame.
- 9) For a curve in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the curvature  $\kappa_{n-1}$  is called .
- 10) The curve with name  has infinitely many vertices.
- 11) The evolute of a curve is  $r(t) + N(t)/\kappa(t)$ , where  $\kappa(t)$  is the .

- 12) Tennis ball: a curve dividing the area of  $S^2$  equally has  vertices at least.
- 13) The Euler characteristic of a projective plane is
- 14) The Euler characteristic of a Klein bottle is
- 15) The Euler characteristic of a discrete 2-manifold is defined as
- 16) The constant curvature discrete 2-sphere with 12 vertices is also called a
- 17) We needed the  process to produce general Frenet frames.
- 18) The matrix  $I^{-1}II$  is always a symmetric matrix. True or False?
- 19) The mean curvature of the Clifford Klein bottle is
- 20) The Gauss curvature of the round unit sphere is
- 21) Which blind mathematician first looked at discrete curvature?
- 22) If  $e_k(t) \cdot e_k(t) = 1$  for all  $t$  then  $e_k(t)'$  is  to  $e_k(t)$ .
- 23)  $so(5)$  consists of orthogonal matrices. True or False?
- 24)  $SU(3)$  is associated to the strong force. It is a special  group.
- 25) It is possible that a matrix entry of  $SO(5)$  is 5. True or False?
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- 27) The fundamental theorem of linear algebra tells  $\ker(A)^\perp =$
- 28) If  $r$  parametrizes an ellipsoid then  $\iint_R |n_u \times n_v| \, dudv =$
- 29) True or false? If you know  $I$  and  $II$ , then you know  $III$ .
- 30) The curvature of a discrete 2-manifold is given as