

INTEGRAL GEOMETRY ON SURFACES OF CONSTANT NEGATIVE CURVATURE

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1. **Introduction.** We use the expression "integral geometry" in the sense given it by Blaschke [4]. In a previous paper [11] we generalized to the sphere many formulas of plane integral geometry and at the same time applied these to the demonstration of certain inequalities referring to spherical curves.

The present paper considers analogous questions for surfaces of constant negative curvature and consequently for hyperbolic geometry [1].

In §§2-7 we define the measure of sets of geodesic lines and the cinematic measure, making application of both in order to obtain various integral formulas such as, for example, (4.6) which generalizes a classic result of Crofton for plane geometry and (7.5) which is the generalization of Blaschke's fundamental formula of plane integral geometry.

In §8 we apply the above results to the proof of the isoperimetric property of geodesic circles (inequality (8.4)). In §9 we obtain a sufficient condition that a convex figure be contained in the interior of another, thus generalizing to surfaces of constant negative curvature a result which H. Hadwiger [8] obtained for the plane.

For what follows we must remember that on the surfaces of curvature $K = -1$ the formulas of hyperbolic trigonometry are applicable [2; 638], that is, for a geodesic triangle of sides a, b, c and angles α, β, γ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cosh a &= \cosh b \cosh c - \sinh b \sinh c \cos \alpha, \\ (1.1) \quad \sinh a / \sin \alpha &= \sinh b / \sin \beta = \sinh c / \sin \gamma, \\ \sinh a \cos \beta &= \cosh b \sinh c - \sinh b \cosh c \cos \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

2. **Measure of sets of geodesics.** Let us consider a surface of constant curvature $K = -1$. Let O be a fixed point on that surface and G a geodesic which does not pass through O . We know that through O passes only one geodesic perpendicular to G [6; 410]. Let v be the distance from O to G measured upon this perpendicular. We shall call θ the angle which the perpendicular geodesic makes with a fixed direction at O . We define as the "density" to measure sets of geodesics the differential expression

$$(2.1) \quad dG = \cosh v \, dv \, d\theta,$$

that is, the measure of a set of geodesics will be the integral of the expression (2.1) extended to this set.

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To admit this definition it is necessary to prove that the measure does not depend on the point O or on the direction origin of the angles θ .

Let A be the point in which the normal geodesic traced through O cuts G . We shall consider another point O_1 and denote by A_1 the analogous point in which the normal traced through O_1 cuts G . Call α the angle formed by the geodesic OO_1 and the direction origin of angles at O ; analogously, α_1 will be the angle which the same geodesic OO_1 makes with the direction origin of angles at O_1 . For brevity write

$$OA = v, \quad O_1A_1 = v_1, \quad OO_1 = \rho, \quad OA_1 = \mu, \quad O_1A = \nu, \quad AA_1 = \lambda,$$

where the left sides are the arcs of geodesics. We can also state

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &= \text{angle } OA_1O_1, & \psi &= \text{angle } OAO_1, & \theta - \alpha &= \text{angle } AOO_1, \\ \pi - (\theta_1 - \alpha_1) &= \text{angle } OO_1A_1. \end{aligned}$$

With these notations (Fig. 1) the third formula of hyperbolic geometry (1.1) applied to the triangle OO_1A_1 gives

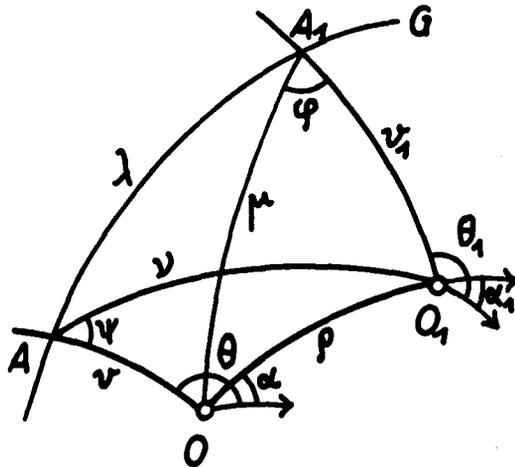


FIGURE 1

$$(2.2) \quad \sinh \mu \cos \varphi = \cosh \rho \sinh v_1 + \sinh \rho \cosh v_1 \cos (\theta_1 - \alpha_1).$$

In the rectangular triangle OAA_1 , the second formula (1.1) gives $\sinh \mu = \sinh v / \cos \varphi$ and in consequence (2.2) may be written as

$$(2.3) \quad \sinh v = \cosh \rho \sinh v_1 + \sinh \rho \cosh v_1 \cos (\theta_1 - \alpha_1).$$

Analogously

$$(2.4) \quad \sinh v_1 = \cosh \rho \sinh v - \sinh \rho \cosh v \cos (\theta - \alpha).$$

In order to pass from (2.3) to (2.4) we changed the sign of the second term of

the right side because in the quadrilateral OO_1A_1A the internal angle AOO_1 has value $\theta - \alpha$, while angle $OO_1A_1 = \pi - (\theta_1 - \alpha_1)$.

From (2.3) and (2.4) an easy calculation gives

$$(2.5) \quad \frac{\partial(v, \theta)}{\partial(v_1, \theta_1)} = \frac{\cosh^2 v_1 \sin(\theta_1 - \alpha_1)}{\cosh^2 v \sin(\theta - \alpha)}$$

The third formula (1.1) applied to the triangle OAA_1 gives $\sinh \mu \sin \varphi = \cosh v \sinh \lambda$ and in the triangle OO_1A_1 we also have $\sinh \mu / \sin(\theta_1 - \alpha_1) = \sinh \rho / \sin \varphi$. These two equalities give

$$\cosh v \sinh \lambda = \sinh \rho \sin(\theta_1 - \alpha_1),$$

and by analogy

$$\cosh v, \sinh \lambda = \sinh \rho \sin(\theta - \alpha).$$

From these last equalities we deduce

$$\cosh v \sin(\theta - \alpha) = \cosh v_1 \sin(\theta_1 - \alpha_1),$$

and if we take into account this equality, the Jacobian (2.5) has the value $\cosh v_1 / \cosh v$ and consequently

$$\cosh v \, dv \, d\theta = \cosh v_1 \, dv_1 \, d\theta_1,$$

that is, the density (2.1) and also the measure of any set of geodesics are independent of the point O and the direction origin of the angles θ .

3. Measure of the geodesics which cut a line. In the preceding section we determined the geodesic G by its coördinates v, θ . If G cuts a fixed curve C in a point P , it can also be determined by the abscissa s of the point P upon C , that is, by the length of the arc of C between P and an origin of arcs and the angle φ formed at the point P by the curve C and the geodesic G . We shall express the density (2.1) as a function of s, φ .

Since through any point there is only one geodesic perpendicular to another geodesic, G is also determined by s, θ . We shall pass first from v, θ to s, θ and afterwards to s, φ . In the system of curvilinear coördinates whose curves $v = \text{const.}$ are the geodesics normal to OA (the letters designate the same points as in §2) and the curves $u = \text{const.}$ are their orthogonal trajectories, we have [2; 335]

$$(3.1) \quad ds^2 = du^2 + \cosh^2 u \, dv^2.$$

Consequently, if the geodesic G ($v = \text{const.}$) forms an angle φ with the curve C , we have

$$\sin \varphi = \frac{\cosh u \, dv}{ds}$$

from which

$$dv = \frac{\sin \varphi}{\cosh u} \, ds.$$

Therefore (2.1) may be written as

$$(3.2) \quad dG = \cosh v \frac{\sin \varphi}{\cosh u} ds d\theta.$$

In place of θ we wish now to introduce the angle φ . Let us call ρ the arc of geodesic OP , α the angle which this arc OP makes with the direction origin of angles at O , and α_1 the angle which OP makes with the curve C (Fig. 2). In

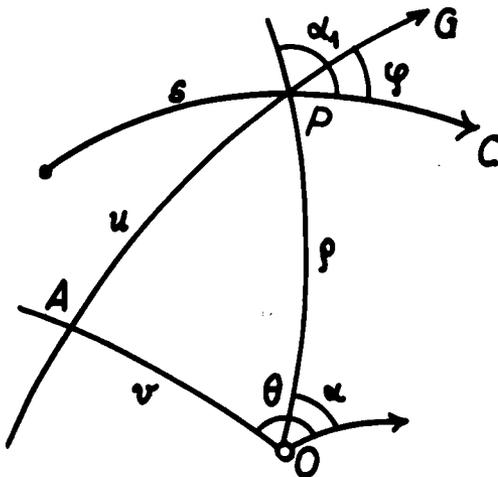


FIGURE 2

the rectangular triangle OAP we have angle $AOP = \theta - \alpha$, angle $APO = \alpha_1 - \varphi$, and from (1.1) we deduce

$$\cot(\alpha_1 - \varphi) = \cosh \rho \tan(\theta - \alpha),$$

from which, by differentiation, we get

$$(3.3) \quad \frac{d\varphi}{\sin^2(\alpha_1 - \varphi)} = \frac{\cosh \rho d\theta}{\cos^2(\theta - \alpha)}.$$

But, in the same rectangular triangle OAP

$$\cos(\theta - \alpha) = \cosh u \sin(\alpha_1 - \varphi), \quad \cosh \rho = \cosh u \cosh v$$

and as a consequence

$$\frac{\cosh \rho \sin^2(\alpha_1 - \varphi)}{\cos^2(\theta - \alpha)} = \frac{\cosh v}{\cosh u}.$$

Substituting in (3.3), we have

$$(3.4) \quad d\theta = \frac{\cosh u}{\cosh v} d\varphi,$$

and the density (3.2), after the change of the variable θ for the variable φ , will take the form

$$(3.5) \quad dG = \sin \varphi \, ds \, d\varphi.$$

This expression of the density for sets of geodesics which cut a fixed curve C has the same form as for the density for straight lines of the plane [4; 13].

In order to get the measure of all the geodesics which cut a fixed curve C of length L we must integrate (3.5) with respect to s from Q to L and with respect to φ from 0 to π ; the value of the integral is $2L$. In this way, if the geodesic G cuts the curve C in n points it will be counted n times. As a consequence we have

$$(3.6) \quad \int_{G \cdot C \neq \emptyset} n \, dG = 2L,$$

the integration being extended over all the geodesics which cut the curve C .

We say that a closed curve C is *convex* when it cannot be cut by any geodesic in more than two points. In this case, in (3.6), $n = 2$ always and we find that: *The measure of the geodesics cutting a convex curve is equal to the length of this curve.* This result and formula (3.6) have the same form for the plane [4; 11] and for the sphere [4; 81].

From (3.5) may be obtained also an integral formula which can be considered as the "dual" of (3.6). Multiplying both sides of (3.5) by the angle φ and integrating over all values of s and φ ($0 < \varphi < \pi$) we find that the integral of the right side has the value

$$\int_0^L ds \int_0^\pi \varphi \sin \varphi \, d\varphi = \pi L$$

and in the left side for every position of G we must add the angles φ_i ($0 < \varphi_i \leq \pi$) which G makes with C at the n intersections. Hence, we have

$$\int \sum_1^n \varphi_i \, dG = \pi L,$$

the integration being extended over all the geodesics which cut C .

4. Density by pairs of points and integral formula for chords. The density to measure sets of points is equal to the element of area; we shall represent it by dP . Let us consider a pair of points P_1, P_2 . In order to measure sets of pairs of points we shall take for density the product of both densities, that is, $dP_1 dP_2$. Through P_1 and P_2 only one geodesic G may pass. Once this geodesic is fixed, the points P_1, P_2 are determined by their abscissa u_1, u_2 measured upon G from an arbitrary origin. We wish to express the product $dP_1 dP_2$ by means of dG and du_1, du_2 .

In a system of polar geodesic coordinates the element of arc is expressed [2; 335] by

$$(4.1) \quad ds^2 = dr^2 + \sinh^2 r d\varphi^2$$

and thus the element of area is $\sinh r dr d\varphi$. When P_1 is fixed, the differential of the area dP_2 expressed in the system of polar geodesic coordinates of origin P_1 is

$$(4.2) \quad dP_2 = \sinh r dr d\varphi,$$

r being the length of the arc of geodesic G which joins P_1 and P_2 , that is, $r = |u_1 - u_2|$. From any fixed point O we trace the geodesic normal to G and as in §2 and §3 we call A the foot of this perpendicular.

As before, we call v the arc OA and θ the angle made by OA with a fixed direction traced by O . P_1 is supposed to be fixed. In the expression (4.2) we may introduce the angle θ in the place of the angle φ because the relation between them is the same (3.4) already found in what precedes. Then we have

$$(4.3) \quad dP_2 = \sinh r \frac{\cosh v}{\cosh u_1} dr d\theta.$$

In the system of rectangular geodesic coordinates in which the curves $v = \text{const.}$ are the normal geodesics to OA and the curves $u = \text{const.}$ are their orthogonal trajectories, the differential ds has the form (3.1) and the differential of the area for the point P_1 is

$$(4.4) \quad dP_1 = \cosh u_1 du_1 dv_1.$$

Taking into account (2.1) and substituting for symmetry du_2 instead of dr , from (4.3) and (4.4) we deduce

$$(4.5) \quad dP_1 dP_2 = \sinh r du_1 du_2 dG,$$

G being the geodesic which joins P_1 and P_2 and $r = |u_1 - u_2|$ being the length of the arc P_1P_2 . This differential formula (4.5) permits us to generalize to Crofton's formula for chords surfaces of constant negative curvature. Let C be a convex curve of area F ; P_1, P_2 two interior points to C ; and G the geodesic which joins them. We desire to integrate (4.5) over all pairs of points contained in C . The integral of the left side is evidently F^2 . To calculate the integral of the right side we observe that, if σ represents the length of the arc of the geodesic G which is interior to C , we have

$$\int_0^\sigma \int_0^\sigma \sinh |u_1 - u_2| du_1 du_2 = 2(\sinh \sigma - \sigma)$$

and consequently

$$(4.6) \quad \int_{\sigma \cdot C \neq \emptyset} (\sinh \sigma - \sigma) dG = \frac{1}{2} F^2.$$

This formula (4.6) is the generalization of Crofton's formula for chords.

If K is $-1/R^2$ instead of -1 , we have

$$(4.7) \quad \int_{\sigma \cdot C \neq 0} \left(\sinh \frac{\sigma}{R} - \frac{\sigma}{R} \right) \frac{dG}{R} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{F}{R^2} \right)^2.$$

Multiplying both sides by R^4 and letting $R \rightarrow \infty$, we find

$$(4.8) \quad \int_{\sigma \cdot C \neq 0} \sigma^3 dG = 3F^2,$$

dG being the density for straight lines on the plane and σ the length of the chord which the straight line G determines in the figure plane convex C of area F . This formula (4.8) is Crofton's integral for chords in plane geometry [4; 20], [7; 84].

5. Density for pairs of geodesics which intersect. If two geodesics G_1 and G_2 cut each other at a point P and if v_i and θ_i are the coördinates of G_i ($i = 1, 2$) with respect to the origin O (§2) in accordance with (2.1) we have $dG_i = \cosh v_i dv_i d\theta_i$. To measure a set of pairs of geodesics, we take the integral of the expression

$$(5.1) \quad dG_1 dG_2 = \cosh v_1 \cosh v_2 dv_1 d\theta_1 dv_2 d\theta_2.$$

The geodesics G_1, G_2 may also be determined by their point of intersection P and the angles φ_1, φ_2 which they respectively make with a fixed direction at P . The angle $\varphi = |\varphi_1 - \varphi_2|$ is that formed by G_1 and G_2 . If we take into account (3.1) when the geodesic v_1, θ_1 becomes the geodesic $v_1 + dv_1, \theta_1$, the arc $u_1 = \text{const.}$ described by the point P has the length $\cosh u_1 dv_1$. On the other hand, if ds_2 is the arc described upon G_2 by the intersection of G_1 and G_2 , the same arc is also equivalent to $\sin \varphi ds_2$. Consequently,

$$(5.2) \quad \cosh u_1 dv_1 = \sin \varphi ds_2,$$

and by analogy

$$(5.3) \quad \cosh u_2 dv_2 = \sin \varphi ds_1.$$

Also, if we suppose P fixed, the relation between the angles θ_i and φ_i is given by (3.4), that is,

$$(5.4) \quad \cosh v_i d\theta_i = \cosh u_i d\varphi_i.$$

From these equalities and from (5.1) we deduce $dG_1 dG_2 = \sin^2 \varphi ds_1 ds_2 d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2$. But $\sin \varphi ds_1 ds_2$ is equal to the element of the area dP and consequently

$$(5.5) \quad dG_1 dG_2 = \sin \varphi d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2 dP.$$

This formula which expresses the product of the densities of two intersecting geodesics as a function of the density of their intersection point P and the

densities of the angles φ_1, φ_2 at P has the same form as on the plane [4; 17] and on the sphere [4; 78].

In the cases of the plane and the sphere, as two geodesics always cut each other (the exception of straight parallel lines in the plane has no importance), integrating both sides of the formula (5.5) over all the pairs of geodesics which cut a convex curve C , we arrive at Crofton's fundamental formula [4; 18], [7; 78], [11]. For surfaces of constant negative curvature this reasoning cannot be applied because we may find sets of pairs of geodesics of finite measure which cut C without intersecting each other in any point P . Nevertheless formula (5.5) is of use in obtaining the following integral formula. Let us integrate the two sides of (5.5) over all the pairs of geodesics which intersect each other in the interior of a convex curve C of area F . The integral of the right side is

$$(5.6) \quad \int_{P < C} dP \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \sin |\varphi_1 - \varphi_2| d\varphi_1 d\varphi_2 = 2\pi F.$$

To calculate the integral of the left side we first fix G_1 . If we call σ_1 the length of the arc of G_1 which is inside C , in accordance with (3.6) the integral of dG_2 extended over all the G_2 which cut σ_1 has value $2\sigma_1$. Thus the integral of the left side of (5.5) is equivalent to $2 \int \sigma_1 dG_1$. Equating to (5.6) and writing σ and G in place of σ_1 and G_1 , we get the integral formula

$$(5.7) \quad \int_{\sigma \cdot C \neq 0} \sigma dG = \pi F.$$

From this formula and from (4.6) we deduce

$$(5.8) \quad \int_{\sigma \cdot C \neq 0} \sinh \sigma dG = \pi F + \frac{1}{2} F^2.$$

In (5.8) and (5.7) as in (4.6) σ is the length of the arc of the geodesic G which is inside C .

6. Cinematic measure. Hitherto we have only considered sets of points and geodesics. Now we wish to consider sets of elements each of which is formed by a point P and a direction φ at P . To measure a set of such elements we take the integral of the differential form

$$(6.1) \quad dC = dP d\varphi,$$

which is called cinematic density. For its definition on the plane and on the sphere, see [4; 20, 81].

On the surfaces of constant negative curvature two figures are called "congruent" if they can be superposed by a motion of the surface into itself [2; 333], [6; 409]. The position of a figure C is determined by fixing an element P, φ invariably bound to C . Consequently, the cinematic density serves also to measure any set of congruent figures.

Let C_0 be a fixed curve of length L_0 and C a mobile curve of length L . Suppose that both curves are formed by a finite number of arcs of continuous geodesic curvature. Calling n the number of intersection points of C and C_0 , a number which depends on the position of C , we wish to calculate

$$(6.2) \quad I = \int_{C \cdot C_0 \neq 0} n dC,$$

where dC is the cinematic density (6.1) referred to the mobile curve C , and the integration is extended over all the positions of C .

We shall require a preliminary formula. Let C_0 be a fixed curve. For a point A of C_0 consider the geodesic which makes with C_0 an angle θ and upon this geodesic take an arc $AA' = r$. If the point A describes upon C_0 an arc $AB = ds_0$, θ and r remaining constant, the end A' will describe $A'B' = ds'_0$. Let θ' be the angle made by AA' with $A'B'$. The elements ds_0 and ds'_0 may be considered to be in first approximation arcs of geodesics and accordingly we can apply formulas (1.1) of hyperbolic trigonometry. Considering only a first approximation, we have $\cosh AB = \cosh A'B' = 1$, $\sinh AB = ds_0$, $\sinh A'B' = ds'_0$. Thus the first formula (1.1) applied to the triangle $AB'A'$ gives

$$\cosh AB' = \cosh r + \sinh r \cos \theta' ds'_0,$$

and applied to the triangle ABB' ,

$$\cosh AB' = \cosh r + \sinh r \cos \theta ds_0.$$

From these equalities it follows that

$$(6.3) \quad \cos \theta' ds'_0 = \cos \theta ds_0.$$

This is the preliminary formula sought and it is verified whether the arcs of geodesic AA' , BB' intersect or not.

We return now to the calculation of the integral (6.2). Let C, C_0 intersect in point A at angle α (Fig. 3). We fix at C and C_0 an origin of arcs, s being the

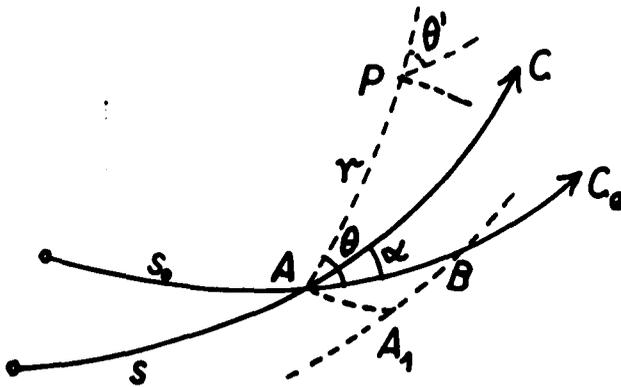


FIGURE 3

curvilinear abscissa of A upon C and s_0 the abscissa of A upon C_0 . In order to determine the position of C , in place of P , φ which figures in (6.1), one may substitute s, s_0, α . We wish to express the cinematic density (6.1) with these new variables s, s_0, α . For this we must observe the following.

Let P be the point invariably bound to C which figures in (6.1), PA the geodesic arc which unites P with the intersection point A , and θ the angle which PA makes with the fixed curve C_0 . If s and α are fixed and s_0 passes from s_0 to $s_0 + ds_0$, the angle θ will not vary and P will describe an element of arc ds'_0 with value, according to (6.3),

$$(6.4) \quad ds'_0 = \frac{\cos \theta}{\cos \theta'} ds_0,$$

where θ' is the angle formed by the prolongation of AP with the direction of ds'_0 . Also, s and s_0 being fixed, when α passes to $\alpha + d\alpha$, the point P describes an arc ds''_0 normal to AP with value

$$(6.5) \quad ds''_0 = \sinh r d\alpha,$$

r being the length of the arc of geodesic PA . This value (6.5) is obtained from the expression of the element of the arc in polar geodesic coordinates (4.1). The angle formed by the elements ds'_0 and ds''_0 is $\frac{1}{2}\pi - \theta'$ and as a consequence the element of area dP expressed by the coordinates s_0, α has the value $dP = \sin(\frac{1}{2}\pi - \theta') ds'_0 ds''_0$, that is, according to (6.5) and (6.4),

$$(6.6) \quad dP = \cos \theta \sinh r ds_0 d\alpha.$$

We shall suppose now that, having fixed P , we make PA rotate, and with it all the curve C , through an angle $d\varphi$. The point A will describe an arc AA_1 of a geodesic circle of center P , where $AA_1 = \sinh r d\varphi$. After turning through the angle $d\varphi$ the curve C will cut C_0 at the point B and the arc A_1B is the arc ds which has increased in passing from φ to $\varphi + d\varphi$. The infinitesimal triangle AA_1B may be considered a geodesic triangle and accordingly the second formula (1.1) gives

$$\frac{ds}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\sinh r d\varphi}{\sin(\alpha + d\alpha)},$$

that is,

$$(6.7) \quad d\varphi = \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \theta \sinh r} ds.$$

From (6.7), (6.6) and (6.1) we deduce

$$(6.8) \quad dC = \sin \alpha ds ds_0 d\alpha.$$

This is the expression sought. The angle α will always be considered between 0 and π .

This expression (6.8) of the cinematic density has the same form as that for the plane [4; 23] and permits the immediate calculation of (6.2). Integrating (6.8) over all the values of s, s_0, α , we shall have the integral of dC extended over all the positions in which C cuts C_0 , but if in some position C and C_0 intersect in n points, this position will have been counted n times. Consequently,

$$I = \int_{C \cdot C_0 \neq 0} n dC = \int_0^L ds \int_0^{L_0} ds_0 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin |\alpha| d\alpha = 4LL_0,$$

that is,

$$(6.9) \quad \int_{C \cdot C_0 \neq 0} n dC = 4LL_0.$$

This formula expresses the generalization to the surfaces of constant negative curvature of Poincaré's formula and it has the same form as in the case of the plane [4; 24] and the sphere [4; 81].

The expression (6.8) also permits us to obtain an integral formula which, in a certain form, is the dual formula of (6.9). If we multiply both sides of (6.8) by α and integrate over all the values of s, s_0, α ($0 < \alpha < \pi$), the sum $\sum_1^n \alpha_i$ of the angles at which the curves C and C_0 intersect will appear on the left side and the integral of the right side will have the value

$$\int_0^L ds \int_0^{L_0} ds_0 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\alpha \sin \alpha| d\alpha = 2\pi LL_0.$$

Consequently,

$$(6.10) \quad \int_{C \cdot C_0 \neq 0} \sum_1^n \alpha_i dC = 2\pi LL_0.$$

It should be noted that this formula also has the same form as in the case of the plane [9; 101] and of the sphere [4; 82].

7. Fundamental formula of cinematic measure. On the surface of constant negative curvature $K = -1$, let us consider a closed curve C_1 of length L_1 without double points and formed by a finite number of arcs of continuous geodesic curvature. Let F_1 be the area bounded by C_1 . The total geodesic curvature K_1 of C_1 is composed of the sum of the integrals $\int \kappa^1 ds_1$ of the geodesic curvature along the arcs which form C_1 plus the sum of the exterior angles at the angular points if these appear. Then the Gauss-Bonnet formula gives

$$(7.1) \quad K_1 = 2\pi + F_1.$$

If C_0 is another closed curve of area F_0 with length L_0 and total geodesic curvature K_0 , then $K_0 = 2\pi + F_0$ also. Suppose C_0 fixed and C_1 of variable position.

In each position of C_1 the intersection of the domains bounded by C_0 and C_1 will be composed of a certain number of partial domains whose boundaries are formed by arcs of C_0 and C_1 . We represent by F_{01} the area, by L_{01} the length and by K_{01} the total geodesic curvature of the domain C_{01} intersection of the domains bounded by C_0 and C_1 . C_{01} may be multiply connected (Fig. 4).

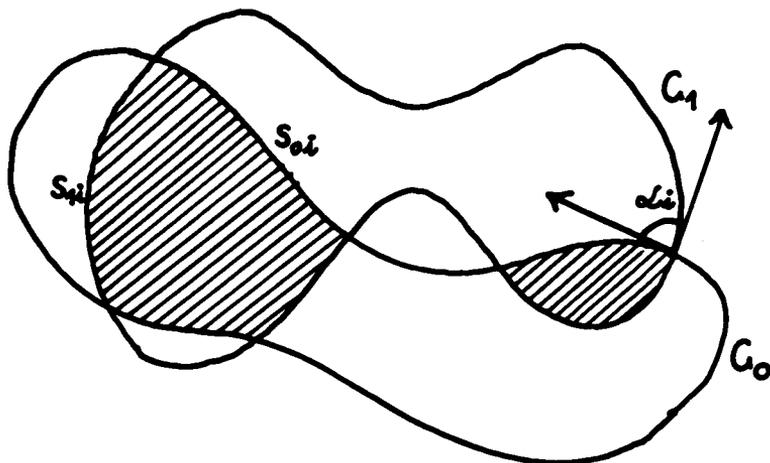


FIGURE 4

We wish to demonstrate the integral formula

$$(7.2) \quad \int_{C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq \emptyset} K_{01} dC_1 = 2\pi(K_0 F_1 + K_1 F_0 + L_0 L_1),$$

where dC_1 is the cinematic density (6.1) with reference to the mobile figure C_1 , the integration being extended over all the positions of C_1 in which the domain bounded by this curve has any common point with that bounded by C_0 .

Formula (7.2) is the generalization on the surfaces of curvature $K = -1$ (that is, the generalization to hyperbolic geometry) of Blaschke's fundamental formula of integral plane geometry. The proof we shall give is analogous to that given for the plane by Maak [9] and Blaschke [4; 37].

Calling s_{0i} , s_{1i} the lengths of the arcs of C_0 and C_1 which contribute to form the boundary of C_{01} and α_i the angles in which C_0 and C_1 intersect, by definition of K_{01} we have

$$(7.3) \quad K_{01} = \sum_i \int_{s_{0i}} \kappa_0^0 ds_0 + \sum_i \int_{s_{1i}} \kappa_1^1 ds_1 + \sum_i \alpha_i,$$

κ_0^0 and κ_1^1 being the geodesic curvatures of C_0 and C_1 . Let us consider the integral $I_0 = \int \kappa_0^0 ds_0 dC_1$ extended over all the positions in which the point s_0 belongs to the boundary of C_0 and is contained in the interior of C_1 . This integral I_0 may be calculated in two ways. Having first fixed the point s_0 , we

must integrate dC_1 over all the positions of C_1 for which this fixed point is interior to C_1 ; according to (6.1) this integral has the value $2\pi F_1$; there

$$\int_{C_0} \kappa_0^0 ds_0$$

of value K_0 remains. Consequently, $I_0 = 2\pi F_1 K_0$. The same integral may be calculated in another way. If we first fix C_1 , the integral $\int \kappa_0^0 ds_0$ extended over all the values of s_0 which are interior to C_1 is the sum

$$\sum_i \int_{s_{i1}} \kappa_0^0 ds_0$$

which appears in (7.3). We must now integrate the product of this sum by dC_1 . Equating this value of I_0 to that found before, we have

$$\int_{C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq 0} \sum_i \int_{s_{i1}} \kappa_0^0 ds_0 dC_1 = 2\pi F_1 K_0,$$

and analogously, for symmetry, must be

$$\int_{C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq 0} \sum_i \int_{s_{i1}} \kappa_1^1 ds_1 dC_1 = 2\pi F_0 K_1.$$

Taking into account these values and (6.10), we have formula (7.2), which we wished to prove.

Formula (7.2) may be written in a more convenient form. For this we must calculate the integral $\int F_{01} dC_1$ in which F_{01} is the area of the intersection of C_0 and C_1 and the integration is extended over all the positions for which $C_{01} = C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq 0$. Let us consider the integral $I_{01} = \int dP_0 dC_1$, in which dP_0 is the element of area, extended over all the positions in which C_1 contains the point P_0 interior to C_0 . Having fixed P_0 , we find that the integral of dC_1 has a value $2\pi F_1$ and when P_0 is varied over all the interior of C_0 we obtain $I_{01} = 2\pi F_0 F_1$. Also if we fix C_1 first, the point P_0 can vary over all the points of the intersection of C_0 and C_1 . The integral of dP_0 will then be F_{01} and consequently $I_{01} = \int F_{01} dC_1$. Equating the two values obtained for I_{01} , we have

$$(7.4) \quad \int_{C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq 0} F_{01} dC_1 = 2\pi F_0 F_1.$$

By the Gauss-Bonnet theorem, if the intersection of C_0 and C_1 is composed of ν simply connected pieces (for example, in Fig. 4, $\nu = 2$), we have $K_{01} = 2\pi\nu + F_{01}$ and moreover $K_0 = 2\pi + F_0$, $K_1 = 2\pi + F_1$. Substituting these values in (7.2) and taking into account (7.4), we find

$$(7.5) \quad \int_{C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq 0} \nu dC_1 = 2\pi(F_0 + F_1) + F_0 F_1 + L_0 L_1.$$

In particular, if C_0 and C_1 are convex, their intersection is always simply connected, that is, composed of only one piece. As a consequence $\nu = 1$ and we have the result:

The measure of the positions of a convex figure C_1 in which it has some common point with another convex figure C_0 has the value

$$(7.6) \quad \int_{C_0 \cdot C_1 \neq \emptyset} dC_1 = 2\pi(F_0 + F_1) + F_0F_1 + L_0L_1.$$

In the following sections we shall apply this formula and (6.9).

8. Isoperimetric propriety of geodesic circles. On the surface of constant negative curvature $K = -1$, let us consider a closed curve C which has no double points, and which has length L and area F . We consider the set of curves congruent to C which have points in common with C . Calling M_i the cinematic measure of the set of these curves which have i points in common with C , we can write formula (7.6) as

$$(8.1) \quad M_2 + M_4 + M_6 + \dots = 4\pi F + F^2 + L^2,$$

since now $C_0 = C_1 = C$. Analogously, formula (6.9) gives

$$(8.2) \quad 2M_2 + 4M_4 + 6M_6 + \dots = 4L^2.$$

From these two equalities we deduce

$$(8.3) \quad L^2 - F^2 - 4\pi F = M_4 + 2M_6 + 3M_8 + \dots$$

and, as the M_i , which are the measure of certain sets, are always non-negative, we have

$$(8.4) \quad L^2 - F^2 - 4\pi F \geq 0.$$

This is the isoperimetric inequality on surfaces of constant negative curvature $K = -1$. In fact, from (8.4) can be deduced that for all the curves which limit an area F the minimum value of the length is $(F^2 + 4\pi F)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. This minimum value L_0 is reached by the geodesic circles. Hence if C_0 is a geodesic circle of radius ρ_0 we have [6; 404]

$$(8.5) \quad L_0 = 2\pi \sinh \rho_0, \quad F_0 = 2\pi(\cosh \rho_0 - 1)$$

and therefore $L_0^2 = F_0^2 + 4\pi F_0$.

This proof of the isoperimetric inequality (8.4) does not permit the assertion that the geodesic circles are the only figures for which the equality in (8.4) is valid. For this we shall give another proof leading to an inequality stronger than (8.4).

Let ρ_0 have such a value that no geodesic circle of radius ρ_0 is contained in the interior of C nor contains C in its own interior. Also let C_0 be the geodesic

circle of radius ρ_0 . Calling M_i the measure of the set of circles C_0 which intersect C in i points, in accordance with (7.6) and (6.9) we have

$$(8.6) \quad M_2 + M_4 + M_6 + \dots = 2\pi(F + F_0) + FF_0 + LL_0,$$

and

$$(8.7) \quad 2M_2 + 4M_4 + 6M_6 + \dots = 4LL_0.$$

From these equalities we deduce

$$(8.8) \quad LL_0 - FF_0 - 2\pi(F + F_0) = M_4 + 2M_6 + 3M_8 + \dots \geq 0.$$

To abbreviate, we put

$$(8.9) \quad \Delta = L^2 - F^2 - 4\pi F,$$

where Δ is the "isoperimetric deficit". F_0 and L_0 given by (8.5) thus satisfy

$$(8.10) \quad L_0^2 - F_0^2 - 4\pi F_0 = 0,$$

with which we easily prove the identity

$$(8.11) \quad \frac{1}{2FF_0} [\Delta F_0^2 - (LF_0 - FL_0)^2] = LL_0 - FF_0 - 2\pi(F + F_0).$$

Taking into account (8.8), we deduce from (8.11) that

$$\Delta \geq \frac{1}{F_0^2} (LF_0 - FL_0)^2,$$

or by substituting for F_0, L_0 their values (8.5), we get

$$(8.12) \quad \Delta \geq (L - F \coth \frac{1}{2}\rho_0)^2.$$

This inequality is verified for any ρ_0 so that no circle of radius ρ_0 could contain C or itself be contained in C . In particular, if ρ_e is the minimum radius of the geodesic circles which enclose C and ρ_i the maximum of those contained in the interior of C , we have

$$(8.13) \quad \Delta \geq (L - F \coth \frac{1}{2}\rho_e)^2, \quad \Delta \geq (F \coth \frac{1}{2}\rho_i - L)^2,$$

and taking into account the inequality

$$(8.14) \quad x^2 + y^2 \geq \frac{1}{2}(x + y)^2,$$

from (8.13) we deduce

$$(8.15) \quad \Delta \geq \frac{1}{2}F^2(\coth \frac{1}{2}\rho_i - \coth \frac{1}{2}\rho_e)^2.$$

Analogously, taking into account (8.10), we easily prove the identity

$$(8.16) \quad \frac{4\pi + F_0}{2L_0^2(4\pi + F)} [\Delta L_0^2 - ((4\pi + F)F_0 - LL_0)^2] = LL_0 - FF_0 - 2\pi(F + F_0),$$

and consequently, in accordance with (8.8), we have

$$(8.17) \quad \Delta \geq \frac{1}{L_0^2} ((4\pi + F)F_0 - LL_0)^2.$$

If we substitute the values (8.5), we may write this inequality

$$(8.18) \quad \Delta \geq ((4\pi + F) \tanh \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 - L)^2.$$

Writing this inequality for ρ_0 and ρ_i and taking into account (8.14), we deduce

$$(8.19) \quad \Delta \geq \frac{1}{4}(4\pi + F)^2(\tanh \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 - \tanh \frac{1}{2}\rho_i)^2.$$

The isoperimetric inequalities (8.15) and (8.19) are stronger than (8.4). They make clear that the equality $\Delta = 0$ can be verified only when $\rho_i = \rho_0$, that is, when C is a geodesic circle. It is thus completely proved that on surfaces of constant negative curvature the geodesic circles are the only curves which for a specified length enclose maximum area. A direct proof of the inequalities (8.15) and (8.19) was given by us in [12]. The isoperimetric problem on the surfaces of constant negative curvature has also been solved in a completely distinct manner in [13].

For a surface of constant curvature $K = -1/R^2$, the inequalities (8.15) and (8.19) are written respectively

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{L}{R}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{F}{R^2}\right)^2 - 4\pi \frac{F}{R^2} &\geq \frac{1}{4} \frac{F^2}{R^2} \left(\frac{1}{R} \coth \frac{\rho_i}{2R} - \frac{1}{R} \coth \frac{\rho_0}{2R}\right)^2, \\ \left(\frac{L}{R}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{F}{R^2}\right)^2 - 4\pi \frac{F}{R^2} &\geq \frac{1}{4} \left(4\pi + \frac{F}{R^2}\right)^2 \left(\tanh \frac{\rho_0}{2R} - \tanh \frac{\rho_i}{2R}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying by R^2 and making $R \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$(8.20) \quad L^2 - 4\pi F \geq F^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho_i} - \frac{1}{\rho_0}\right)^2$$

and

$$(8.21) \quad L^2 - 4\pi F \geq \pi^2(\rho_0 - \rho_i)^2,$$

which are isoperimetric inequalities for plane figures. In these, ρ_i is the maximum radius of those circles which are contained in C and ρ_0 the minimum of these which contain C . Inequality (8.21) is a classic inequality due to Bonnesen [5; 63].

9. A sufficient condition that a convex curve congruent to C be contained in the interior of another convex curve C_0 . Let C_1 be a convex curve of length L_1 which limits a domain of area F_1 . C_0 is another convex curve of length L_0 and area F_0 . We wish to find a sufficient condition that a curve congruent to C_1 be contained in the interior of C_0 . As in §8, let M_i be the measure of the set of curves congruent to C_1 which intersect C_0 in i points. M_0 is the measure of the set of curves congruent to C_1 which are in the interior of C_0 or which contain C_0 .

According to (7.6) and (6.9) we have

$$(9.1) \quad M_0 + M_2 + M_4 + M_6 + \dots = 2\pi(F_0 + F_1) + F_0F_1 + L_0L_1$$

and

$$(9.2) \quad 2M_2 + 4M_4 + 6M_6 + \dots = 4L_0L_1.$$

From these equalities

$$(9.3) \quad 2\pi(F_0 + F_1) + F_0F_1 - L_0L_1 = M_0 - M_4 - 2M_6 - \dots$$

If $M_0 = 0$, the left side of this equality is non-positive. Hence a sufficient condition that a curve congruent to C_1 contain C_0 or be contained in C_0 is

$$(9.4) \quad 2\pi(F_0 + F_1) + F_0F_1 - L_0L_1 > 0.$$

In order to sharpen this result, we first observe that by (8.4) for any C_0 and C_1

$$L_0^2 \geq F_0^2 + 4\pi F_0, \quad L_1^2 \geq F_1^2 + 4\pi F_1$$

and hence

$$(9.5) \quad L_0^2L_1^2 \geq F_0F_1(4\pi + F_0)(4\pi + F_1).$$

Consider the inequality

$$(9.6) \quad L_0L_1 - F_1(4\pi + F_0) > [L_0^2L_1^2 - F_0F_1(4\pi + F_0)(4\pi + F_1)]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

whose right side is always real by (9.5). If we square and simplify (9.6), we see that (9.4) is also verified. Consequently, one of the two curves C_0 or C_1 can be contained in the interior of the other. We shall prove that if (9.6) is verified, $F_1 < F_0$ and consequently C_1 can be contained in C_0 . In fact, if $F_1 \geq F_0$, in accordance with (9.4), which is a consequence of (9.6), we have $L_0L_1 < 4\pi F_1 + F_0F_1$ and the inequality (9.6) is not verified since the left side must be positive. Consequently,

C_0 and C_1 being two convex curves on the surface of curvature $K = -1$, the inequality (9.6) is a sufficient (but not necessary) condition that a curve congruent to C_1 be contained in the interior of C_0 .

In particular, if C_1 is a geodesic circle of radius ρ_1 , taking into account the values (8.5), we can write the inequality (9.6) as

$$(9.7) \quad L_0 - (4\pi + F_0) \tanh \frac{1}{2}\rho_1 > (L_0^2 - F_0(4\pi + F_0))^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and this inequality is a sufficient condition that C_0 contain in its interior a geodesic circle of radius ρ_1 .

Analogously,

$$(9.8) \quad L_1 - F_1 \coth \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 > (L_1^2 - F_1(4\pi + F_1))^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

is a sufficient condition that C_1 be contained in the interior of a geodesic circle of radius ρ_0 .

If the curvature of the surface is $K = -1/R^2$, the corresponding condition (9.6) can be written without difficulty. Multiplying both sides by R^2 and making $R \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$(9.9) \quad L_0 L_1 - 4\pi F_1 > (L_0^2 L_1^2 - 16\pi^2 F_0 F_1)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

which is a sufficient condition that a plane convex curve congruent to C_1 of area F_1 and length L_1 be contained in the interior of C_0 whose area and length are F_0 and L_0 respectively.

Condition (9.9) for the plane has been obtained by H. Hadwiger [8]. For the analogous condition for the curves on the sphere see [10].

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