

ASSUME  $C$  IS PARAMETRIZED BY ARC-LENGTH.  
(a) FIRST NOTE THAT BY THE FRENET FORMULAE,

$$C'' = k_n$$

WITH  $\|n\|=1$ . SINCE  $C$  IS A GEODESIC, WE HAVE THAT  $n$ , THE NORMAL TO  $C$ , IS PARALLEL TO  $N$ , THE NORMAL TO  $T_p S$ .  
THUS SINCE  $\|N\|=1$ ,  $N = \pm n$ , AND  $C'' = \pm kN$ .

SINCE  $C$  IS A LINE OF CURVATURE, WE ALSO HAVE THAT

$$(*) N' = \lambda C'$$

FINALLY, WE AGAIN APPEAL TO THE FRENET FORMULAE TO SEE THAT

$$(**) \pm N' = -kC' - \tau b.$$

BY COMPARING  $(*)$  WITH  $(**)$  AND RECALLING THAT  $\{C', N, b\}$  FORM AN ORTHONORMAL BASIS, WE FIND THAT  $\tau = 0$ ; THAT IS,  $C$  IS A PLANAR CURVE.

b) WORK BACKWARDS THROUGH (a) TO SEE THAT

$$\pm N' = -kC'$$

WHICH IMPLIES  $C$  IS A LINE OF CURVATURE.

c) IF  $S$  IS ANY PLANE IN  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , THEN ANY NON-STRAIGHT CURVE IN  $S$  SATISFIES THE REQUIRED PROPERTIES (WHY?)

2) SUPPOSE  $C$  IS ASYMPTOTIC AND A GEODESIC. THUS

$$k_g \equiv 0, k_n \equiv 0$$

AND SO

$$k^2 = k_g^2 + k_n^2 = 0$$

HENCE  $k \equiv 0$  AND  $C$  IS A STRAIGHT LINE SEGMENT.

IF  $C$  IS A STRAIGHT LINE SEGMENT THEN

$$k = 0 \text{ IMPLIES}$$

$$0 \leq k_g^2 + k_n^2 = 0, \text{ WHICH IMPLIES } k_g = k_n = 0.$$

### 5. ALONG THE MAXIMUM PARALLEL

$$C_1(t) = \left( (a+r) \cos \frac{t}{a+r}, (a+r) \sin \frac{t}{a+r}, 0 \right) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi)$$

WE HAVE THAT

$$C_1'' = \frac{-1}{(a+r)^2} C_1$$

AND AT EACH  $p \in C_1$ ,  $N_p = \frac{1}{a+r} p$ .

THUS  $C_1''$  IS PARALLEL TO  $N_p$ , SO  $C_1$  IS A GEODESIC.

BY (1b),  $C_1$  IS A LINE OF CURVATURE

BY (2),  $C_1$  IS NOT ASYMPTOTIC.

SIMILAR ARGUMENTS ALLOW US TO DRAW THE SAME CONCLUSION REGARDING THE MINIMUM PARALLEL

$$C_2(t) = \left( (a-r) \cos \frac{t}{a-r}, (a-r) \sin \frac{t}{a-r}, 0 \right) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi)$$

CONSIDER THE UPPER PARALLEL

$$C_3(t) = \left( a \cos \frac{t}{a}, a \sin \frac{t}{a}, r \right) \quad t \in [0, 2\pi)$$

NOTE THAT

$$C_3'' = \left( -\frac{1}{a} \cos \frac{t}{a}, -\frac{1}{a} \sin \frac{t}{a}, 0 \right)$$

AND AT EACH  $p \in C_3$ ,  $N_p = (0, 0, 1)$ . HENCE,  $C_3$  IS NOT A GEODESIC. SINCE  $N'_p = \vec{0}$ ,  $C_3'$  IS TRIVIALY AN EIGENVECTOR OF  $N'$ , SO  $C_3$  IS A LINE OF CURVATURE.

ALSO,  $k_n = \langle N, C_3'' \rangle = 0$ , SO  $C_3$  IS AN ASYMPTOTIC.