

Errata and Addenda

for

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1 Corrections

1.1 Chapter 4. Helicoidal surfaces

page 59, last paragraph on page: "If we vary h while fixing other constants, then a rotational surface is isometrically deformed to a helicoidal surface preserving mean curvature H by (4.12)." is not correct, because $U(s)$ in (4.11) depends on h . Nevertheless, the conclusion in the above sentence holds by considering a one-parameter family of those constants a, h , and m . The proof is given in Do Carmo and Dajczer [1]: In the family given in (4.11) of the text, we introduce new parameters (a_0, θ) by setting :

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{a_0 \cos \theta}{1 - 2a_0 H(1 - \cos \theta)} \\ h &= \frac{a_0 \sin \theta}{1 - 2a_0 H(1 - \cos \theta)} \\ m^2 &= \frac{1}{1 - 2a_0 H(1 - \cos \theta)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us denote by $U(a, h, m)$ the expression of U given by the last formula of (4.11). Fix a_0 and θ , and let a, h , and m be given by the above. Then for all $\theta, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, we have

$$U(a, h, m) = U(a_0, 0, 1).$$

Hence, any helicoidal surface with constant mean curvature can be isometrically deformed from a rotational surface with the same mean curvature

1.2 Chapter 9. Intricate Constant Mean Curvature Surfaces

Page 111, last line of the hypothesis in Proposition 9.2: “Then, if the boundary Γ of S is symmetric with respect to the y -axis,” Add: “and a graph on the y -axis.”

Page 112, last sentence: “For example, the following holds [17].” Change the paper [17] to the paper by Earp, Brito, Meeks, and Rosenberg [2].

2 Addenda

Page 49, related to the last paragraph, the author has found a criterion for a periodic function to be the mean curvature function of some periodic surface of revolution. See [3] and [4].

Page 93, supplement to Proposition 7.4: For the equality case, the reference is Theorem 4 in the paper by Serrin [5].

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