A note on isometric immersions and differential equations which describe pseudospherical surfaces

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Abstract

In this talk, we will see families of second order non-linear partial differential equations describing pseudospherical surfaces (**pss** equations), with the property of having local isometric immersions in \mathbb{E}^3 , with principal curvatures depending on finite-order jets of solutions of the differential equation. These equations occupy a particularly special place amongst **pss** equations, since a series of recent papers [1, 2, 3, 4, 5], on several classes of **pss** equations, seemed to suggest that only the sine-Gordon equation had the above property. Explicit examples are given, which include the short pulse equation and some generalizations.

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