

On the surfaces with the same mean curvature in the Euclidean 3-space and the Lorentz-Minkowski 3-space

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Spacelike surfaces in the Lorentz-Minkowski 3-dimensional space \mathbb{L}^3 can be endowed with another Riemannian metric, the one induced by the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^3 . Those surfaces are locally the graph of a smooth function $u(x, y)$ satisfying $|Du| < 1$. If in addition they have the same mean curvature with respect to both metrics, they are the solutions to a certain partial differential equation, the $H_R = H_L$ surface equation.

It is well known that the only surfaces that are simultaneously minimal in \mathbb{R}^3 and maximal in \mathbb{L}^3 are open pieces of helicoids and of spacelike planes, [3].

In this talk we consider the general case of spacelike surfaces with the same mean curvature with respect to both metrics. We prove the existence of examples with non-zero mean curvature, we show geometric properties of these surfaces and we study the $H_R = H_L$ equation.

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