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## ON THE NORMAL CURVATURES OF HYPERSURFACES UNDER THE CONFORMAL MAPS

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**Abstract.** In this paper, the normal curvatures of hypersurfaces are investigated under conformal, homothety and isometry maps. At first, an equation is obtained between normal curvatures of hypersurfaces, if conformal map which defined between hypersurfaces in  $E^n$  is a homothety. In the last section, it is shown that first and second fundamental forms of hypersurfaces are invariant if conformal map is an isometry.

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#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Properties of connection preserving and conformal maps in n – dimensional  $C^{\infty}$  – manifolds were given by N. J. Hicks in 1963 [4]. He proved that a conformal map f which defined between  $C^{\infty}$  – class differentiable manifolds M and M' is connection preserving if and only if f is a homothety [4]. Furthemore, N. J. Hicks studied the connection preserving spray maps [6]. He investigated the finding necessary and sufficient conditions for a spray map to be connection preserving. Then F. Erkekoğlu studied the differential geometry of the connection preserving maps [2]. C. Tezer showed that for  $n \neq 3,7$  a conformal diffeo morphism of  $S^n$  into itself admits no invariant connection except the trivial case where it admits an invariant Riemannian metric [10]. Besides, S. T. Pamuk proved that the results in [10] without any restriction on the dimension of spheres [8]. On the other hand, in 1989 A. Kılıç proved that for (n - 1) – dimensional hypersurfaces M and M' in  $E^n$  if the conformal map  $f: E^n \to E^n$  for f(M) = M' is a homothety, then

$$f_*(S(X)) = \delta S'(f_*X) \tag{1}$$

where S and S' are Weingarten maps on M and M', respectively, [8].

Let *M* and *M*'be for (n - 1) – dimensional hypersurfaces in  $E^n$  and let  $f : E^n \to E^n$  be conformal map for f(M) = M'. In this paper, we investigate that if *f* is a homothety, the normal curvatures of *M* and *M'* are invariant or not. Then, we get some results. Later if *f* is an isometry, we prove first and second fundamental forms of hypersurfaces are invariant. Thus, the  $q^{th}$  –fundamental form is invariant.

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#### **2. PRELIMINARIES**

On the normal curvatures of .

*M* is called a hypersurface in *n*-dimensional Euclidean space  $E^n$  if  $M = f^{-1}(\{c\})$  for a smooth function  $f : M \to IR$  and  $c \in IR$ , grad  $f(q) \neq 0$  [1].

Let *M* be a hypersurface in  $E^n$  and *N* be a unit normal vector field of *M*, also  $\nabla$  be Riemannian connection, so we have

$$S(X) = \nabla_X N$$

where  $X \in \chi(M)$ , S is Weingarten map and  $\chi(M)$  is the space of all vector fields on M [1].

Let *M* and *M* ' be  $C^{\infty}$  – Riemannian manifolds, and  $f : M \to M'$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  –map. For Jacobian map  $f_*$  of f, if there is a  $C^{\infty}$  real-valued function G > 0 on M for any *P* in *M*, then

$$\langle f_*X, f_*Y \rangle = G(P) \langle X, Y \rangle \tag{2}$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ ; f is called conformal. Here if G is a constant function, then f is homothety. If G = 1, f is an isometry [4]. Let M and M' be  $C^{\infty}$  – manifolds with onnections  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$ , respectively. A  $C^{\infty}$  –map  $f : M \to M'$  is connection preserving if

$$f_*(\nabla_X Y) = \nabla'_{f_* X} f_* Y \tag{3}$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$  [4].

**Theorem 1.** Let *M* and *M* ' be n-dimensional  $C^{\infty}$  – Riemannian manifolds with *M* connected, and let *f* be a  $C^{\infty}$  – conformal map of *M* into *M*' with *G*. Then *f* is connection preserving if and only if *f* is homothety [4].

**Theorem 2.** Let *M* and *M*' be be (n - 1) – dimensional hypersurfaces in  $E^N$  for f(M) = M' and  $f : E^n \to E^n$  be a conformal map. If *f* is a homothety, then for all  $X \in \chi(M)$ 

$$f_*(S(X)) = \delta S'(f_*X) \tag{4}$$

where *S* and *S*'are Weingarten maps on *M* and *M*', respectively. Here  $\delta = \frac{1}{\|f_*N\|}$  is a constant homothety ratio [7].

**Corollary 1.** Let *M* and *M* ' be (n - 1) – dimensional hypersurfaces in  $E^N$  for f(M) = M' and  $f : E^n \to E^n$  be a conformal map. If f is an isometry, then for all  $X \in \chi(M)$  [7],

$$f_*(S(X)) = S'(f_*X) \tag{5}$$

For every  $P \in M$ ,  $T_M(P)$  is the tangent space to M at P. The function of  $k_n : T_M(P) \rightarrow IR$  is defined at  $X_P \in T_M(P)$  is given by

$$k_n(X_P) = \frac{\langle S(X_P), X_P \rangle}{\langle X_P, X_P \rangle} \tag{6}$$

where  $k_n$  is a normal curvature [3].

Let  $\alpha$  be a regular  $C^{\infty}$  – curve on n –dimensional Riemannian manifold M. If  $k_n = 0$  for all  $X_P$  tangent to  $\alpha$ , then  $\alpha$  is an asymptotic curve [9].

Let *M* be a hypersurface in  $E^n$  and let *S* be Weingarten map of *M*. For  $1 \le q \le n$ , the function  $I^q : \chi(M) \times \chi(M) \to ! C^{\infty}(M; IR)$  is defined at

$$I^{q}(X,Y) = \langle S^{q-1}(X),Y \rangle \qquad . \tag{7}$$

Then  $I^q$  is called the  $q^{th}$  –fundamental form of hypersurface M [1].

# 3. ON THE NORMAL CURVATURES OF HYPERSURFACES UNDER THE CONFORMAL MAPS

Throughout this section we will suppose that  $f : E^n \to E^n$  for f(M) = M' is conformal map also f:  $E^n \to E^n$  are (n - 1) – dimensional hypersurfaces in  $E^n$ .

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f : E^n \to E^n$  conformal map for f(M) = M' be a homothety. Assume that  $k_n$  and  $k'_n$  is the normal curvatures of M and M', respectively. Then for all  $X_P \in T_M(P)$  we have

$$k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \delta k_n(X_P). \tag{8}$$

*Proof:* From (6) we may write

$$k'_{n}(f_{*}(X_{P})) = \frac{\langle S'(f_{*}(X_{P})), f_{*}(X_{P}) \rangle}{\langle f_{*}(X_{P}), f_{*}(X_{P}) \rangle}.$$
(9)

and

$$k_n(X_P) = \frac{\langle S(X_P), X_P \rangle}{\langle X_P, X_P \rangle} \tag{10}$$

where S and S' is the Weingarten maps of M and M'. Since f is a conformal map, we get

$$k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \frac{\langle S(X_P), X_P \rangle}{\langle X_P, X_P \rangle}.$$
(11)

where G > 0.

On the other hand, since the conformal map f is a homothety, by theorem 2 we get

$$k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \delta \frac{\langle S'(f_*(X_P)), f_*(X_P) \rangle}{\langle f_*(X_P), f_*(X_P) \rangle}.$$
(12)

From (9), (10) and (12) we obtain

$$k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \delta k_n(X_P).$$

This is completed the proof.

Using Theorem 3 we can give the following corollaries.

**Corollary 2.** Let conformal map  $f : E^n \to E^n$  be a homothety. If  $\alpha$  is an asymptotic curve on *M*, then the curve  $f \circ \alpha = \beta$  is an asymptotic curve on *M'*.

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Using (5) we get

under a map f.

respectively, we have

$$II'(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle f_*(S(X)), Y \rangle.$$
<sup>(19)</sup>

On the other hand, the first fundamental forms I and I' of hypersurfaces M and M'

$$Y(X,Y) = \langle X,Y \rangle \tag{14}$$

Now we will show that the second fundamental forms of hypersurfaces are invariant

Similarly, for the second fundamental forms II and II' of hypersurfaces M and M',

Since *f* is an isometry we obtain

$$I'(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle X, Y \rangle = I(X, Y).$$
<sup>(16)</sup>

respectively, are 
$$I(X|Y) = \langle X|Y \rangle$$
 (14)

$$I(X,Y) = \langle X,Y \rangle \tag{14}$$

$$I'(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle f_*X, f_*Y \rangle. \tag{15}$$

$$I'(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle X, Y \rangle = I(X, Y).$$
(16)

$$k'_{n}(f_{n}(X_{n})) = \delta k_{n}(X_{n}).$$

*Proof:* From (8), we know that
$$k'_{n}(f(X_{n})) = \delta k_{n}(X_{n})$$

 $k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \delta k_n(X_P)$ 

*Proof:* Assume that  $\alpha$  is an asymptotic curve on *M*. Then we have  $k_n = 0$ . From (6)

Then, substituting  $k_n = 0$  into the last equation we get  $k'_n = 0$ . Then the curve

**Corollary 3.** Let  $f: E^n \to E^n$  be a conformal map for f(M) = M' If f is an

 $k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \delta k_n(X_P).$ 

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where 
$$\delta_{-}$$
 is a constant homothety ratio. Since *f* is an isometry, we get  $\delta = 1$ . Then, for all  $X_P \in T_M(P)$  we obtain

$$k'_n(f_*(X_P)) = \delta k_n(X_P).$$

**Theorem 4.** Let 
$$f : E^n \to E^n$$
 be a conformal map. If  $f$  is an isometry, then first and second fundamental forms of hypersurfaces are invariant.

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*Proof:* At first, we will show that the .first fundamental forms of hypersurfaces are

invariant under a map f. If f is an isometry, then we can write

 $II(X,Y) = \langle S(X),Y \rangle$ 

$$\langle f_* X, f_* Y \rangle = \langle X, Y \rangle \tag{13}$$

 $f \circ \alpha = \beta$  is an asymptotic curve, too.

isometry, then we may write

(17)

we know that

$$II'(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle S(X), Y \rangle.$$
<sup>(20)</sup>

From (17) and (20) we have

$$II(X,Y) = II'(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle S(X), Y \rangle$$
(21)

**Proposition 1.** Let  $f: E^n \to E^m$  be a conformal map. If f is an isometry, then we have

$$I'^{(q)}(f_*X, f_*Y) = I^{(q)}(X, Y)$$
(22)

where  $\forall X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

*Proof:* The proof will be done by the inductive method.

**STEP 1:** For q = 1, (22) is true, since

$$I'(f_*X, f_*Y) = I(X, Y) = \langle X, Y \rangle.$$

**STEP 2:** For q = k, Suppose (22) is true for some  $q = k \ge 1$ ; that is,

$$I'^{(k)}(f_*X, f_*Y) = I^{(k)}(X, Y)$$
(23)

By using (7), we get

:

$$\langle S'^{(k-1)}(f_*X), f_*Y \rangle = \langle S^{(k-1)}(X), Y \rangle.$$
(24)

**STEP 3:** Prove that (22) is true for q = k + 1, that is

$$I'^{(k+1)}(f_*X, f_*Y) = I^{(k+1)}(X, Y)$$
(25)

By (7) we may write

$$I'^{(k+1)}(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle S'^{(k)}(f_*X), f_*Y \rangle$$
  
=  $\langle S'^{(k-1)}(S'(f_*X)), f_*Y \rangle.$ 

From (5), we get

$$I'^{(k+1)}(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle S'^{(k-1)}(f_*(S(X))), f_*Y \rangle.$$
  

$$: = \langle S'^{(k-2)}(f_*(S(S(X)))), f_*Y \rangle$$
  

$$: = \langle f_*(S^{(k)}(X)), f_*Y \rangle.$$

Since *f* is a isometry we have

$$I'^{(k+1)}(f_*X, f_*Y) = \langle S^{(k)}(X), Y \rangle = I^{(k+1)}(X, Y)$$

This is completed the proof.

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