

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE MEAN CURVATURES OF THE PARALLEL SUBMANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we give a formulae for ι -th mean curvature of parallel submanifold to a given submanifold in E^m in the terms of principal curvatures of the given submanifold. In addition we give a formulae for ι -th mean curvatures of parallel submanifold in E^m in the terms of ι -th mean curvatures of the given submanifold.

Finally, we examine these formulae for parallel surfaces in E^3 and parallel hypersurfaces in E^m .

INTRODUCTION

We will remind some basic properties of submanifolds and parallel submanifolds.

Let N and M be m and n -dimensional Riemannian manifolds, respectively, on the condition that N is an immersed submanifold into M . Let us denote the immersion by f . If there is no confusion we identify the manifolds M and $f(M)$ and the points x and $f(x)$. Thus, the tangent space $T_x M$ of M at the point x is a vector subspace of $T_x N$ of the submanifold N at the point x . We denote the normal bundle of M by $T^\perp(M)$ and the covariant derivative on $T^\perp(M)$ by D . If we denote by ∇ and ∇' Riemannian connections on M and N , respectively, and the second fundamental form of M by α . Then, we have

$$\nabla'_x Y = \nabla_x Y + \alpha(X, Y)$$

and

$$\nabla'_x \zeta = -A_\zeta(X) + D_x \zeta$$

for any two vector field X, Y tangent to M and any vector field ζ normal to M , where A_ζ denotes the Weingarten map with respect to ζ (Kobayashi and Nomizu, 1969).

Definition 1.1. M be an n -dimensional immersed submanifold of a Riemannian manifold N and η a unit normal vector to M at a point p . Let k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n be principal curvatures of M with respect to η . we put

$$\binom{n}{l} M_l(\eta) = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq n} k_{i_1} k_{i_2} \dots k_{i_l}, M_0(\eta) = 1,$$

where $\binom{n}{l} = n! / (n-l)! l!$. We call $M_l(\eta)$ the l -th mean curvature with respect to η (Chen, 1973).

Definition 1.2. Let M be a C^∞ n -dimensional regular submanifold of E^m such that M is regular and arcwise connected. Let ζ be a unit normal section of M and r be a real number such that $1/r$ is not equal to any principal curvatures of M at any point of M in the sense that $1/r$ is not an eigen value of A_ζ , the shape operator of M with respect to ζ . Define a function

$$\begin{aligned} f : M &\rightarrow E^m \\ P &\rightarrow f(P) = P + r\zeta_p \end{aligned}$$

Then $f(M)$ is called parallel submanifold of M with respect to ζ if it is endowed with the C^∞ structure induced by f from M . If $f(M)$ is a parallel submanifold of M with respect to ζ then we will write $M_{\zeta,r}$ as $f(M)$ and we will understand $M // M_{\zeta,r}$ for $M_{\zeta,r}$ is parallel submanifold of M (Görgülü and Özdamar, 1989).

Theorem 1.1. Let $M // M_{\zeta,r}$. Then

$$f_*(v_p) = v_p + r(-A_\zeta(v_p) + D_{v_p}\zeta)$$

for every $v_p \in T_p M$ (Görgülü and Özdamar, 1989).

Theorem 1.2. If $M // M_{\zeta,r}$ then ζ is a unit normal section of $M_{\zeta,r}$ by identifying $\zeta_{f(p)}$ with ζ_p , that is, ζ_p is translated to $f(p)$ by Euclidean parallelism in E^m (Görgülü and Özdamar, 1989).

Theorem 1.3. Let $M // M_{\zeta,r}$. Let ζ and $\bar{\zeta}$ be unit normal parallel sections on M and $M_{\zeta,r}$, respectively, and $\zeta(p) = \bar{\zeta}(f(p))$. Then

$$A_{\zeta,r}(f_*(v_p)) = A_\zeta(v_p)$$

for every $v_p \in T_p M$, where A_ζ and $A_{\zeta,r}$ denote the shape operators of M and $M_{\zeta,r}$ with respect to ζ , respectively (Görgülü and Özdamar, 1989).

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Theorem 2.1. Let $M // M_{\zeta,r}$. Let ζ be a unit normal parallel section on M . Then f preserves principal directions with respect to ζ .

Proof: Let v_p be a principal direction with respect to ζ and denote the principal curvature by k corresponding to v_p . Then we have

$$A_\zeta(v_p) = k v_p.$$

Since ζ is parallel in the normal bundle we can write the following

$$A_{\zeta,r}(f_*(v_p)) = A_\zeta(v_p)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} f_*(v_p) &= v_p - r A_\zeta(v_p) \\ &= (1 - rk) v_p \end{aligned}$$

or

$$v_p = (1/(1 - rk)) f_*(v_p)$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\zeta,r}(f_*(v_p)) &= A_\zeta(v_p) \\ &= k v_p \\ &= \frac{k}{1 - rk} f_*(v_p) \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.

Corollary 2.1. Let $M // M_{\zeta,r}$. Let ζ be a parallel normal section of M . If the submanifold M is umbilical with respect to ζ , then $M_{\zeta,r}$ is also umbilical with respect to $\bar{\zeta} = \zeta_r$.

Proof: One can easily show that since it is similar to the proof of the theorem 2.1.

Theorem 2.2. Let ζ be a parallel unit normal vector field. Denote $M_l^r(\zeta_r)$, $0 \leq l \leq n$, for l -th mean curvatures of $M_{\zeta,r}$ with respect to ζ_r . Then

$$M_l^r(\zeta_r) = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{l}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq n} \prod_{s=1}^l \frac{k_{i_s}}{1 - rk_{i_s}}$$

where k_i , $1 \leq i \leq n$, denote principal curvatures of M with respect to ζ .

Proof: Let E_1, \dots, E_n be the principal directions of the normal section ζ with the principal curvatures. So

$$A_\zeta(E_i) = k_i E_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

Since ζ is parallel in the normal bundle then we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\zeta,r}(f_*(E_i)) &= A_\zeta(E_i) \\ &= k_i E_i \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since

$$f_*(E_i) = (1 - rk_i) E_i$$

or

$$E_i = \frac{1}{1 - rk_i} f_*(E_i)$$

We have the following

$$A_{\zeta,r}(f_*(E_i)) = \frac{k_i}{1 - rk_i} f_*(E_i)$$

Thus, we get

$$\begin{aligned} M_l^r(\zeta_r) &= \frac{1}{\binom{n}{l}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq n} \frac{k_{i_1}}{1 - rk_{i_1}} \dots \frac{k_{i_l}}{1 - rk_{i_l}} \\ M_l^r(\zeta_r) &= \frac{1}{\binom{n}{l}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq n} \prod_{s=1}^l \frac{k_{i_s}}{1 - rk_{i_s}} \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

Theorem 2.3. Let $M // M_{\zeta,r}$. Let ζ be a unit normal parallel vector field. Then

$$M_t^r(\zeta_r) = \frac{\sum_{s=t}^n (-1)^{s-t} r^{s-t} \binom{n}{s} \binom{s}{s-t} M_s(\zeta)}{\binom{n}{t} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} r^k M_k(\zeta)}, \quad 1 \leq t \leq n,$$

where $M_t(\zeta)$ and $M_t^r(\zeta_r)$ denote t -th mean curvatures of M and $M_{\zeta,r}$ with respect to ζ .

Proof: One can easily show that

$$\sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq n} \prod_{s=1}^t \frac{k_{i_s}}{1 - rk_{i_s}} = \frac{\sum_{s=t}^n (-1)^{s-t} \binom{s}{s-t} r^{s-t} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_s \leq n} k_{i_1} \dots k_{i_s}}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - rk_i)}$$

and

$$\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - rk_i) = 1 + \sum_{s=1}^n (-1)^s r^s \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_s \leq n} k_{i_1} \dots k_{i_s}$$

Since

$$M_0(\zeta) = 1 \text{ and } \binom{n}{s} M_s(\zeta) = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_s \leq n} k_{i_1} \dots k_{i_s}$$

so we have that the following formulae

$$\begin{aligned} M_t^r(\zeta_r) &= \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq n} \prod_{s=1}^t \frac{k_{i_s}}{1 - rk_{i_s}} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{s=t}^n (-1)^{s-t} r^{s-t} \binom{n}{s} \binom{s}{s-t} M_s(\zeta)}{\binom{n}{t} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} r^k M_k(\zeta)} \end{aligned}$$

SPECIAL CASES:

1. In the special case of $n = 2$ and $m < 3$, M and $M_{\zeta,r}$ become 2-dimensional parallel submanifolds of E^m . In that case there exist just 1-th mean curvature $Mr_1(\zeta_r)$ and 2-th mean curvature $Mr_2(\zeta_r)$ of $M_{\zeta,r}$. Thus

$$Mr_1(\zeta_r) = \frac{2 M_1(\zeta) - 2 rM_2(\zeta)}{2(1-2 rM_1(\zeta) + r^2M_2(\zeta))}$$

and

$$Mr_2(\zeta_r) = \frac{M_2(\zeta)}{1-2 rM_1(\zeta) + r^2M_2(\zeta)}$$

2. In the case of $n = 2$ and $m = 3$, M and $M_{\zeta,r}$ become parallel surfaces of E^3 . Since

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(\zeta) &= \frac{1}{2} H \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (k_1 + k_2) , \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(\zeta) &= K \\ &= k_1k_2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} Mr_1(\zeta_r) &= \frac{1}{2} H_r \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{k_1}{1-rk_1} + \frac{k_2}{1-rk_2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Mr_2(\zeta_r) &= K_r \\ &= \frac{k_1}{1-rk_1} \cdot \frac{k_2}{1-rk_2} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that we have in that case the following formulae

$$H_r = \frac{H - 2r K}{1-rH + r^2 K}$$

$$K_r = \frac{K}{1 - rH + r^2 K}$$

which are the same as in (Hacısalihođlu, 1983), The Theorem 4, 7, 3.

3. In the case of $n = n$ and $m = n + 1$, we get all the relations between the higher curvatures of the parallel hypersurfaces in (Görgülü, 1985).

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