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ON THE $\bar{M}$ -INTEGRAL CURVES AND $\bar{M}$ -GEODESIC SPRAYS

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SUMMARY

Some properties of $\bar{M}$ -vector field Z defined on a hypersurface M of $\bar{M}$ were studied by K. Nirmala, R.S. Mishra and Shrikrishna. In this paper $\bar{M}$ -integral curve of Z and $\bar{M}$ -geodesic spray are defined and it is given the main theorem: The natural lift $\tilde{\alpha}$ of the curve α (in $\bar{M}$) is an $\bar{M}$ -integral curve of the geodesic spray Z iff α is an $\bar{M}$ -geodesic.

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ÖZET

M bir Riemann Manifoldu ve M de $\bar{M}$ nin bir hiperyüzeyi olmak üzere, M nin $\bar{M}$ -vektör alanlarının bazı özellikleri K.Nirmala, R. S. Mishra ve Shrikrishna tarafından çalışıldı. Bu çalışmada $\bar{M}$ -integral eğrileri ve $\bar{M}$ -geodezik sprayları tanımlayarak bunlarla ilgili şu esas teoremi veriyoruz: M deki bir $\tilde{\alpha}$ eğrisinin α tabii liftinin Z geodezik sprayın bir $\bar{M}$ -integral eğrisi olması için gerek ve yeter şart α nın bir $\bar{M}$ -geodezik olmasıdır.

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Let $\bar{M}$ be a Riemannian n -manifold and M be a hypersurface of $\bar{M}$. $\bar{D}$ being the Riemannian connection on $\bar{M}$, S being Weingarten map of M , and N being unit normal vector field of M we have the Gauss' equation given by.

$$(1) \quad \bar{D}_X Y = D_X Y - \langle S(X), Y \rangle N$$

where D is the Riemannian connection on M .

Definition: Let Z be a vector field on $\bar{M}$. Z is called an $\bar{M}$ -vector field on M if Z is a mapping which attaches to each point P in M , a vector Z_P in $T_P \bar{M}$, that is,

$$Z: M \rightarrow T_P \bar{M}.$$

Any $\bar{M}$ -vector field Z can be decomposed into its tangential and normal components given by

$$Z = Z_t + Z_n$$

where Z_t is a tangent vector field on M and Z_n is a vector field of $\bar{M}$ defined on M which is normal to M at every point. We have

$$(2) \quad Z = Z_t + \lambda N$$

where $\lambda \in C^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$.

Let α be a curve passing through a point P on M and T denote the tangent vector field of α on M . Covariant differentiation of Z in the direction T gives

$$\bar{D}_T Z = \bar{D}_T Z_t + \bar{D}_T \lambda N$$

and then

$$\bar{D}_T Z = D_T Z_t - \langle S(T), Z_t \rangle N + D_T \lambda N - \langle S(T), \lambda N \rangle N.$$

After some calculation we obtain

$$(3) \quad \bar{D}_T Z = \tan \bar{D}_T Z + \text{nor} \bar{D}_T Z,$$

where

$$(4) \quad \tan \bar{D}_T Z = D_T Z_t + \lambda S(T), \quad \text{nor} \bar{D}_T Z = (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(T), Z_t \rangle) N.$$

Definition: The vectors $\bar{D}_T Z$, $\tan \bar{D}_T Z$, and $\text{nor} \bar{D}_T Z$ in (3) are called as the absolute curvature vector, geodesic curvature vector, and normal curvature vector of the $\bar{M}$ -vector field Z with respect to α , respectively and the corresponding magnitudes on M as the absolute curvature, geodesic curvature and normal curvature of the $\bar{M}$ -vector field Z with respect to α . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{K}_{ZA} &= \|\bar{D}_T Z\| \Leftrightarrow \bar{D}_T Z = \bar{K}_{ZA} \bar{N}_A, \bar{N}_A \text{ is a unit vector field on } \bar{M}, \\ (5) \quad K_{ZG} &= \|\tan \bar{D}_T Z\| \Leftrightarrow \tan \bar{D}_T Z = K_{ZG} X, X \text{ is a unit vector field on } M, \\ K_{ZN} &= \|\text{nor} \bar{D}_T Z\| \Leftrightarrow \text{nor} \bar{D}_T Z = K_{ZN} N \end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{K}_{ZA}$, K_{ZG} , and K_{ZN} are absolute curvature, geodesic curvature, and normal curvature, respectively. We have

$$(6) \quad \bar{K}_{ZA}^2 = K_{ZN}^2 + K_{ZG}^2.$$

$$(7) \quad K_{ZN} = \bar{K}_{ZA} \cos \theta, \cos \theta = \langle \bar{N}_A, N \rangle.$$

Definition: A vector $X \in T_P M$ is called as an asymptotic vector of Z if

$$(8) \quad (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(X), Z_t \rangle) (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(X), Z_t \rangle) = 0$$

[1]. The curve α in M is called as the asymptotic curve of Z if the tangent vector field of α coincides with the asymptotic vector field of Z , that is,

$$(d\lambda/dt - \langle S(T), Z_t \rangle) (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(T), Z_t \rangle) = 0,$$

where $T = d\alpha/dt$.

Definition: $X, Y \in T_P M$ are called as conjugate vectors of Z if

$$(9) \quad (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(X), Z_t \rangle) (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(Y), Z_t \rangle) = 0.$$

X is called self-conjugate vector field of Z if

$$(10) \quad (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(X), Z_t \rangle) (d\lambda/dt - \langle S(X), Z_t \rangle) = 0.$$

Using (8) and (10) we obtain the results:

Corollary: Tangent vector field of every asymptotic curve of Z is a self-conjugate vector field of Z .

Corollary: If X is an asymptotic vector field of Z then for the value of λ in (2) we have

$$(11) \quad \lambda = \int \langle S(X), Z_t \rangle dt.$$

Definition: For an $\bar{M}$ -vector field $Z = Z_t + Z_n$, a curve $\alpha \subset M$ is called an $\bar{M}$ -integral curve of Z if

$$(12) \quad Z_t(\alpha(t)) = (d\alpha/dt) \big|_{\alpha(t)}.$$

Definition: $\alpha \subset M$ being a differentiable curve, the curve $\bar{\alpha} : I \rightarrow TM$ given by

$$(13) \quad \bar{\alpha}(t) = \dot{\alpha}(t) \big|_{\alpha(t)}$$

is called as the natural lift of α on the manifold TM [2].

Definition: An $\bar{M}$ -vector field Z is called as an $\bar{M}$ -geodesic spray if for $V \in TM$

$$(14) \quad Z_t(V) = (d\lambda/dt - \langle V, S(V) \rangle)N.$$

This definition is the generalization of the definition of geodesic spray on the manifold TM [2]. Indeed for $\lambda = 0$ we have

$$(15) \quad Z(V) = -\langle V, S(V) \rangle N$$

Theorem: The natural lift $\bar{\alpha}$ of the curve α is an $\bar{M}$ -integral curve of the $\bar{M}$ -geodesic spray Z iff α is an $\bar{M}$ -geodesic on M .

Proof: Let $\bar{\alpha}$ be an $\bar{M}$ -integral curve of the $\bar{M}$ -geodesic spray Z . Thus

$$(16) \quad Z_t(\bar{\alpha}) = d\bar{\alpha}/dt.$$

Since Z is a geodesic spray on $\bar{M}$ ($\bar{M}$ -geodesic spray) we have

$$(17) \quad Z_t(\bar{\alpha}) = (d\lambda/dt - \langle \bar{\alpha}, S(\bar{\alpha}) \rangle)N.$$

Joining (13), (16), and (17) we obtain that

$$d\bar{\alpha}/dt = (d\lambda/dt - \langle \dot{\alpha}, S(\dot{\alpha}) \rangle)N.$$

On the other hand, since

$$d\bar{\alpha}/dt = d\dot{\alpha}/dt = \bar{D}_{\dot{\alpha}} \dot{\alpha},$$

Using (3) we have

$$D_{\dot{\alpha}} \dot{\alpha} + \lambda S(\dot{\alpha}) = 0.$$

This shows that α is an $\bar{M}$ -geodesic on M which is to be shown.

Conversely, if α is an $\bar{M}$ -geodesic on M then it is obvious that the natural lift $\tilde{\alpha}$ is an $\bar{M}$ -integral curve of the $\bar{M}$ -geodesic spray Z .

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