

Generalized Minkowski Formulas for Closed Hypersurfaces in Riemann space.

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Summary. - *This paper generalizes MINKOWSKI formulas for a closed orientable hypersurface in a RIEMANN space with constant curvature which have been introduced by C. C. HSIUNG, and studies on some properties of the hypersurface whose the ν -th mean curvature is constant, on making use of the generalized formulas.*

Introduction. - We consider an ovaloid F in a Euclidean space E^3 of three dimensions, and let H and K be the mean curvature and the GAUSS curvature at a point P of F , then as well-known formula of MINKOWSKI we have

$$(0.1) \quad \iint_F (Kp + H)dA = 0,$$

where p denotes the oriented distance from a fixed point O in E^3 to the tangent space of F at P and dA is the area element of F at P .

As generalization of this formula for a closed orientable hypersurface, C. C. HSIUNG proved the following three theorems.

THEOREM 0.1. - Let V^m be a closed orientable hypersurface twice differentially imbedded in a Euclidean space E^{m+1} of $m + 1 (\geq 3)$ dimensions, then

$$(0.2) \quad \int \dots \int_{V^m} H_{\nu+1} p dA + \int \dots \int_{V^m} H_{\nu} dA = 0 \quad \text{for } \nu = 0, \dots, m - 1,$$

where k_1, k_2, \dots, k_m being the m principal curvatures at a point P of V^m , H_{ν} is the ν -th mean curvature of V^m at the point P which is defined to be the ν -th elementary symmetric function of k_1, \dots, k_m divided by the number of

terms, that is,

$${}^{(m)}H_\nu = \Sigma k_1 k_2, \dots, k_\nu \quad \nu = 1, \dots, m,$$

and $H_0 = 1$ ([1]) ⁽⁴⁾.

THEOREM 0.2. - Let V^m be a closed orientable hypersurface twice differentially imbedded in a RIEMANN space R^{m+1} of $m + 1 (\geq 3)$ dimensions, then

$$(0.3) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 p dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int dA = 0,$$

where p is the scalar product of the unit normal vector of the hypersurface V^m at the point P and the position vector of the point P with respect to any orthogonal frame in the space R^{m+1} ([2]).

THEOREM 0.3. - Let V^m be a closed orientable hypersurface of class C^3 imbedded in an $(m + 1)$ -dimensional Riemann space R^{m+1} of constant RIEMANN curvature, then

$$(0.4) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_m p dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_{m-1} dA = 0 \quad ([2]).$$

The purpose of this paper is to generalize more these formulas of HSIUNG, in a RIEMANN space. In § 1 generalized MINKOWSKI formulas are expressed and the special cases which inclose these formulas of HSIUNG are discussed in § 2, and in § 3 some properties for the closed orientable hypersurface are obtained on making use of the generalized MINKOWSKI formulas.

§ 1. On a generalization of Minkowski formulas. - We suppose an $(m + 1)$ -dimensional RIEMANN space R^{m+1} ($m + 1 \geq 3$) of class C^ν ($\nu \geq 3$) which admits an infinitesimal point transformation

$$(1.1) \quad \bar{x}^i = x^i + \xi^i(x) \delta\tau$$

and assume that the paths of the infinitesimal transformations cover simply R^{m+1} . Let us choose a coordinate system such that the path of the infinitesimal

⁽⁴⁾ Numbers in brackets refer to the references at the end of the paper.

transformation is a new x^1 -coordinate curve, that is, the coordinate system in which the vector ξ^i has the components δ_1^i , where a symbol δ_j^i denotes the KRONECKER's delta, then (1.1) becomes as follows

$$(1.1) \quad \bar{x}^i = x^i + \delta_1^i \delta \tau$$

and R^{m+1} admits a one-parameter continuous group G of transformations given by

$$(1.2) \quad \bar{x}^i = x^i + \delta_1^i \tau$$

in the new special coordinate system. If the vector ξ^i is a KILLING vector, a homothetic KILLING, a conformal KILLING etc., then the one-parameter continuous group G of transformations has been called isometric, homothetic, conformal etc. respectively ([3]).

We now consider a closed orientable hypersurface V^m of class C^3 imbedded in R^{m+1} which does not pass through any singular point of a tangent vector field of the paths, written in the expression

$$x^i = x^i(u^\alpha) \quad \begin{array}{l} i = 1, 2, \dots, m + 1, \\ \alpha = 1, 2, \dots, m. \end{array}$$

We shall henceforth confine ourselves to that LATIN indices run from 1 to $m + 1$ and GREEK indices from 1 to m .

Let us consider a differential form of $m - 1$ degree at a point P of the hypersurface V^m , defined by

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} ((n, \delta_1, \underbrace{dx, \dots, dx}_{m-1})) &= \sqrt{g} (n, \delta_1, dx, \dots, dx) \\ &= \sqrt{g} \left(n, \delta_1, \frac{\partial x}{\partial u^{\alpha_1}}, \dots, \frac{\partial x}{\partial u^{\alpha_{m-1}}} \right) du^{\alpha_1} \wedge \dots \wedge du^{\alpha_{m-1}} \end{aligned}$$

where n^i is a unit normal vector at the point P of the hypersurface V^m and dx^k a displacement along the hypersurface V^m , i. e., $dx^k = \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial u^\alpha} du^\alpha$, and g denotes the determinant of a metric tensor g_{ij} of R^{m+1} , and let $g_{\alpha\beta}$ and $b_{\alpha\beta}^1$ be the first fundamental metric tensor and the second fundamental tensor of the hypersurface V^m respectively, and b_α^β means $b_{\alpha\gamma} g^{\gamma\beta}$. Then the exterior differential of the differential form (1.3) divided by $m!$ becomes as follows,

(on making use of the formula for the covariant differential of the unit normal vector along the hypersurface: $\delta n^i = -\delta_\alpha^\beta \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\beta} du^\alpha$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{m!} d((n, \delta_1, dx, \dots, dx)) \\ (1.4) \quad & = (-1)^m \left\{ H_1 n_i \delta_1^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} g^{*lk} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{lk} dA \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{L}g_{lk}$ is the LIE derivative of the tensor g_{lk} with respect to the infinitesimal point transformation (1.1), and $g^{*lk} = g^{lk} - n^l n^k$.

Integrating both members of (1.4) over the whole hypersurface V^m and applying the STOKES' theorem, we obtain the formula

$$\frac{1}{m!} \int_{\partial V^m} ((n, \delta_1, dx, \dots, dx)) = (-1)^m \left\{ \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 n_i \delta_1^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} \int_{V^m} \dots \int g^{*lk} \mathcal{L}_\xi g^{lk} dA \right\},$$

where ∂V^m means the boundary of V^m . On making use of that the hypersurface V^m is closed, it follows that

$$(1.5) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 n_i \delta_1^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} \int_{V^m} \dots \int g^{*lk} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{lk} dA = 0.$$

If the space R^{m+1} assumes of constant RIEMANN curvature which includes a Euclidean space, we consider the following differential form of $m - 1$ degree

$$((n, \underbrace{\delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n}_\nu, \underbrace{dx, \dots, dx}_{m-\nu-1})) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sqrt{g}(n, \underbrace{\delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n}_\nu, \underbrace{dx, \dots, dx}_{m-\nu-1})$$

for a fixed integer ν satisfying $m - 1 \geq \nu \geq 1$, and differentiating exteriorly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & d((n, \delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) \\ (1.6) \quad & = ((\delta n, \delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) \\ & + ((n, \delta(\delta_1), \delta n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) \end{aligned}$$

because of $\delta\delta n^i = 0$ for the space of constant RIEMANN curvature. On substituting $\delta n^i = -b_\alpha^\beta \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\beta} du^\alpha$ into the first term of the right-hand member of (1.6) we obtain

$$((\delta n, \delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) = m! (-1)^{m-\nu} H_{\nu+1} n_i \delta_1^i dA.$$

And from that the vector $n \times \underbrace{\delta n \times \dots \times \delta n}_\nu \times \underbrace{dx \times \dots \times dx}_{m-\nu-1}$ is orthogonal to the normal vector n and $\delta u^i = -b_\alpha^\beta \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\beta} du^\alpha$, the second term of the right-hand member of (1.6) becomes as follows

$$((n, \delta(\delta_1), \nu n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) = m! (-1)^{m-\nu} \frac{1}{2m} H_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{\alpha\beta},$$

where $\varepsilon^{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_m}$ being the ε -symbol of the hypersurface V^m ,

$$H_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{(m-1)} \varepsilon^{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{m-1} \varepsilon^{\beta\beta_1} \dots \beta_{m-1}} b_{\alpha, \beta_1} \dots b_{\alpha, \beta_\nu} g_{\alpha_{\nu+1} \beta_{\nu+1}} \dots g_{\alpha_{m-1} \beta_{m-1}}$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}_\xi g_{\alpha\beta} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial u^\beta} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{ij}.$$

Accordingly we have

$$\frac{1}{m!} d((n, \delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) = (-1)^{m-\nu} \left\{ H_{\nu+1} n_i \delta_1^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} H_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{\alpha\beta} dA \right\}.$$

Integrating the above expression over the whole hypersurface V^m and applying the STOKES' theorem, it follows that

$$\frac{1}{m!} \int_{\partial V^m} ((n, \delta_1, \delta n, \dots, \delta n, dx, \dots, dx)) = (-1)^{m-\nu} \left\{ \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_{\nu+1} n_i \delta_1^i dA + \frac{1}{m!} \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{\alpha\beta} dA \right\}.$$

Thus we have

$$(1.7) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_{\nu+1} n_i \delta_1^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{\alpha\beta} dA = 0$$

by virtue of that the hypersurface V^m is closed.

We can see easily that in the general coordinate system, the formulas (1.5) and (1.7) become as follows

$$(I) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_1 n_i \xi^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} g^{*ij} \underset{\xi}{\mathcal{L}} g_{ij} dA = 0,$$

and

$$(II) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_{\nu+1} n_i \xi^i dA + \frac{1}{2m} \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H^\nu \underset{\xi}{\mathcal{L}} g_{\alpha\beta} dA = 0 \quad (m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1).$$

We call such the formulas (I) and (II) the generalized MINKOSKI formulas for the closed orientable hypersurface V^m in R^{m+1} .

§ 2. **The Minkowski formulas concerning some special transformations.**

In this section, we shall discuss the formulas (I) and (II) for a special infinitesimal point transformation. Let the group G of transformations be conformal, that is, ξ^i satisfies an equation: $\underset{\xi}{\mathcal{L}} g_{ij} \equiv \xi_{i;j} + \xi_{j;i} = 2\Phi g_{ij}$ ([32], p. 32), then we obtain

$$g^{*ij} \underset{\xi}{\mathcal{L}} g_{ij} = 2m\Phi, \quad H^\nu \underset{\xi}{\mathcal{L}} g_{\alpha\beta} = 2m\Phi H_\nu.$$

Therefore (I) and (II) are rewritten in the following forms

$$(I)_c \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_1 n_i \xi^i dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} \Phi dA = 0,$$

$$(II)_c \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_{\nu+1} n_i \xi^i dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} \Phi H_\nu dA = 0 \quad (m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1),$$

and we can see

$$(I)_h \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_1 n_i \xi^i dA + c \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} dA = 0,$$

$$(II)_h \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_{\nu+1} n_i \xi^i dA + c \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_\nu dA = 0 \quad (m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1)$$

in case of $\Phi = \text{constant}$ ($\equiv C$) (G being homothetic), and

$$(I)_i \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 n_i \xi^i dA = 0,$$

$$(II)_i \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_{\nu+1} n_i \xi^i dA = 0 \quad (m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1)$$

in case of $\Phi = 0$ (G being isometric).

Especially if our space R^{m+1} is a Euclidean space E^{m+1} and if the path of the infinitesimal point transformation (1.1) is the straight line which pass through a fixed point O , x^i being the coordinate of a point P in E^{m+1} with respect to a Cartesian coordinate system with the point O as the origin, let the position vector x^i take as the vector ξ^i , then we have

$$\mathfrak{L}_{\xi} g_{ij} = 2g_{ij}$$

according to $g_{ij} = \text{constant}$ and from the formulas $(I)_h$ and $(II)_h$ in the case $C = 1$, we have

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 p dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int dA = 0,$$

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int H_{\nu+1} p dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int H_{\nu} dA = 0 \quad (m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1).$$

The above results are nothing but the formulas (0.2) given by HSIUNG.

Next, let our RIEMANN space R^{m+1} have more an assumption to admit a special coordinate system y , in which the components of the vector ξ^i are equal to the coordinate of the point P , that is, $\xi^i(y) = y^i$. Since the quantity $g_{ij}(x)\xi^i(x)\xi^j(x)$ is the homogeneous function of two degree with respect to ξ^i , it is requested that $g_{ij}(y)y^i y^j$ is also the homogeneous function of two degree with respect to y^i . Therefore $g_{ij}(y)$ must be the homogeneous function of zero degree with respect to y^i , that is,

$$(2.1) \quad \frac{\partial g_{ij}(y)}{\partial y^k} y^k = 0.$$

On making use of the above relation (2.1), we can observe

$$\xi g_{ij}(y) = 2g_{ij}(y)$$

in such the special coordinate system y , the formulas (I) and (II) are written in the form

$$(2.2) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_1 n_i y^i dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} dA = 0,$$

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_{\nu+1} n_i y^i dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_\nu dA = 0 \quad (m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1)$$

The formulas (0.3) and (0.4) of HSIUNG are nothing but a special case of (2.2)

§. 3. **Some properties of a closed orientable hypersurface.** - In this section we suppose again that the group G of transformation (1.1) is conformal, then we can show the following four theorems for a closed orientable hypersurface V^m in a RIEMANN space R^{m+1} of constant RIEMANN curvature.

THEOREM 3.1. - If in R^{m+1} , there exists such a group of conformal transformations as \tilde{p} is positive (or negative) at each point of V^m and if H_1 is constant, then every point of V^m is umbilic, where \tilde{p} denotes $n_i \xi^i$.

PROOF. - Multiplying the formula (I)_c in § 2 by $H_1 = \text{const.}$, we have

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_1^2 \tilde{p} dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} \Phi H_1 dA = 0$$

and from the formula (II)_c in § 2

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} H_2 \tilde{p} dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} \Phi H_1 dA = 0.$$

Consequently it follows that

$$(3.1) \quad \int_{V^m} \dots \int_{V^m} (H_1^2 - H_2) \tilde{p} dA = 0$$

which holds if and only if $H_1^2 - H_2 = 0$, since

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.2) \quad H_1^2 - H_2 &= \frac{1}{m^2} (\sum k_i)^2 - \frac{2}{m(m-1)} \sum k_{i_1} k_{i_2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{m^2(m-1)} \sum (k_{i_1} - k_{i_2})^2 \geq 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

where i_1, i_2 are distinct and run from 1 to m . From (3.1) and (3.2) we obtain

$$k_1 = k_2, \dots = k_m$$

at each point of V^m . Accordingly every point of the hypersurface V^m is umbilic.

We can see easily that if every point of a hypersurface in a RIEMANN space of constant RIEMANN curvature is umbilic, then the hypersurface V^m is also an m -dimensional RIEMANN space of constant RIEMANN curvature.

THEOREM 3.2. - If in R^{m+1} , there exists such a group G of conformal transformations as \tilde{p} is positive (or negative) at each point of V^m , and if the principal curvature k_1, k_2, \dots, k_m at each point of the hypersurface V^m are positive and H_ν is constant for any $\nu(m-1 \geq \nu \geq 1)$, then every point of V^m is umbilic.

PROOF. - From the formulas (I)_c and (II)_c in § 2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{V^m} H_1 H_\nu \tilde{p} dA + \int_{V^m} \Phi H_\nu dA &= 0, \\
 \int_{V^m} H_{\nu+1} \tilde{p} dA + \int_{V^m} \Phi H_\nu dA &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

because of $H_\nu = \text{constant}$. Therefore we have

$$(3.3) \quad \int_{V^m} (H_1 H_\nu - H_{\nu+1}) \tilde{p} dA = 0$$

which holds when and only when $H_1 H_\nu - H_{\nu+1} = 0$, since

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_1 H_\nu - H_{\nu+1} &= \frac{\nu! (m - \nu)!}{m m!} \{ \sum k_i \sum k_{i_1} \dots k_{i_\nu} \\
 &\quad - \frac{(\nu + 1)! (m - \nu - 1)!}{m!} \sum k_{i_1} \dots k_{i_{\nu+1}} \} \\
 &= \frac{\nu! (m - \nu - 1)!}{m m!} \sum k_{i_1} \dots k_{i_{\nu-1}} (k_{i_\nu} - k_{i_{\nu+1}})^2 \geq 0,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.4}$$

where $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{\nu+1}$ are distinct and run from 1 to m , From (3.3) and (3.4) we have

$$k_1 = k_2, \dots, = k_m$$

at each point of V^m . Accordingly every point of V^m is umbilic.

THEOREM 3.3. - If in R^{m+1} , there exists such a group G of conformal transformations as \tilde{p} is positive (or negative) at each point of V^m , for which $H_1 \tilde{p} + \Phi \geq 0$ (or ≤ 0) at all points of V^m , then every point of V^m is umbilic.

PROOF. We can see

$$\Phi = -H_1 \tilde{p}$$

according to the assumption that $H_1 \tilde{p} + \Phi \geq 0$ (or ≤ 0) at all points of V^m and the formula (I)_c in § 2:

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 \tilde{p} dA + \int_{V^m} \dots \int \Phi dA = 0.$$

On substituting $\Phi = -H_1 \tilde{p}$ into the formula (II)_c in § 2, it follows that

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int (H_1^2 - H_2) \tilde{p} dA = 0.$$

Thus, we have the conclusion from (3.1) and (3.2).

THEOREM 3.4. - If H_1 is positive (or negative) at all points of V^m and if in R^{m+1} , there exists such a group G of conformal transformations as Φ is positive (or negative), for which either $\tilde{p} \leq \frac{-\Phi}{H_1}$ or $\tilde{p} \geq \frac{-\Phi}{H_1}$ at all points of V^m , then every point of V^m is umbilic.

PROOF. - The formula (I)_c in § 2 is rewritten as follows

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int H_1 \left(\tilde{p} + \frac{\Phi}{H_1} \right) dA = 0.$$

By virtue of the assumptions: $H_1 > 0$ (or < 0) and $\tilde{p} + \frac{\Phi}{H_1} \geq 0$ (or ≤ 0) at all points of V^m , we have the following relation

$$\tilde{p} = \frac{-\Phi}{H_1}$$

On substituting $\tilde{p} = \frac{-\Phi}{H_1}$ into the formula (II)_c in § 2, we obtain

$$\int_{V^m} \dots \int \frac{\Phi}{H_1} (H_1^2 - H_2) dA = 0$$

which holds if and only if $H_1^2 - H_2 = 0$. Thus we can see the conclusion.

Such the method of calculation referring to a differential form is learned much from the paper ([4]) of H. HOPF and K. VOSS.

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