

ON INFINITESIMAL DEFORMATIONS OF CLOSED HYPERSURFACES

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§ 1. Introduction.

In the present paper we study the effect of infinitesimal deformations of (1) a closed orientable hypersurface in an orientable Riemannian manifold and (2) a closed hypersurface in a Euclidean space on some integrals.

Let M be an $(n+1)$ -dimensional orientable Riemannian manifold and M' be a closed orientable hypersurface in M whose equations are given by

$$x^h = x^h(u^a)$$

in local coordinates. We use indices h, i, j, k for M and a, b, c, d for M' , hence h, i, j, k run over the range $\{1, \dots, n+1\}$ and a, b, c, d over the range $\{1, \dots, n\}$. As usual B_a^h means $\partial_a x^h$ where $\partial_a = \partial/\partial u^a$. $g_{ba} = B_b^i B_a^h g_{ih} = B_{ba}^{ih} g_{ih}$ are the components of the first fundamental tensor of M' . The unit normal vector is denoted by N^h and the reciprocal of the matrix (B_a^h, N^h) by (B^a_h, N_h) . ∇ means the Van der Waerden-Bortolotti differential operator, hence $\nabla_b B_a^h = h_{ba} N^h$, $\nabla_b N^h = -h_b^a B_a^h$ where $h_b^a = h_{bc} g^{ca}$. h_{ba} are the components of the second fundamental tensor of M' .

§ 2. Infinitesimal deformations.

Let $\mathcal{M}'$ be a set of hypersurfaces $M'(t)$, $0 \leq t < \epsilon$, where ϵ is a sufficiently small positive number and $M'(0) = M'$. We assume that the local coordinates of the points of $M'(t)$ are given by

$$x^h = x^h(u^a, t)$$

in M . We also assume that $x^h(u^a, t)$ are C^∞ functions and the mapping $\varphi(t): M'(0) \rightarrow M'(t)$ induced by

$$(2.1) \quad x^h(u^a, 0) \rightarrow x^h(u^a, t)$$

is diffeomorphic, u^a being local coordinates of $M'(t)$ in $U \cap M'(t)$ for some neighborhood U of M and for all $t \in [0, \epsilon)$. $\varphi(t)$ is a deformation of M' .

We define $\xi^h(u^a)$ by

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