



The characterization of moebius sectional curvature of submanifolds on unit Sphere

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, let M^m be an m -dimensional submanifold without umbilical point on unit sphere, we prove two Moebius sectional curvature pinching theorems, which give the characterizations of Clifford tori and Veronese submanifolds by the Moebius invariants.

Key words: Moebius submanifold, Moebius second fundamental form, Moebius invariants

INTRODUCTION

Since Wang (cf. [1]) using conformal differential geometry to establish the theory of conformal differential geometry of submanifolds, and submanifolds are obtained fully invariant system under the conformal group, the conformal differential geometry research has made great progress. Many conformal submanifolds in differential geometry was classified completely (cf [2-6]), which apply the invariant system---Moebius form, Moebius second fundamental form B, Blaschake tensor A, and then submanifold of unit sphere S^n is given a number of important Moebius characters. In this paper, we prove two Moebius sectional curvature pinching theorems, which give the characterizations of Clifford tori and Veronese submanifolds by the Moebius invariants [7].

Orthonormal frame field and Riemannian curvature

Let M be a m -dimensional Riemannian manifold, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m a local orthonormal frame field on M , and $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_m$ is its dual frame field. Then the structure equation of M is given by:

$$d\omega_i = \sum_j \omega_j \wedge \omega_{ji}, \quad \omega_{ij} = -\omega_{ji} \tag{1.1}$$

$$d\omega_{ij} = \sum_l \omega_l \wedge \omega_{lij} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l} R_{ijkl} \omega_k \wedge \omega_l \tag{1.2}$$

where ω_{ij} is the Levi-civita connection and R_{ijkl} the Riemannian curvature tensor of M . Ricci tensor R_{ij} and scalar curvature are defined respectively by:

$$R_{ij} := \sum_k R_{kikj}, \quad r := \sum_k R_{kk} \tag{1.3}$$

MOEBIUS INVARIANTS

Let R_1^{n+2} is a n+2-dimensional Lorentzian space, $X = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n+1})$, $Y = (y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{n+1})$, define:

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = -x_0 y_0 + x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_{n+1} y_{n+1} \tag{2.1}$$

Let $x: M^m \rightarrow S^n$ is an Immersed submanifolds without umbilical point on unit sphere, and position vector $Y = \rho(1, x)$,

$$\rho^2 = \frac{m}{m-1} (\|II\|^2 - mH^2) \tag{2.2}$$

then $g = \langle dY, dY \rangle = \rho^2 dx \cdot dx$ is Moebius invariants.

In the unit sphere, let $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ a local orthonormal frame field on M, and $\{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_m\}$ is its dual frame field. where $1 \leq i, j, k, l, \dots \leq m$; $m+1 \leq \alpha, \beta, \dots \leq m+p = n$, then

$$A = \sum_{i,j} A_{ij} \omega_i \wedge \omega_j, \quad B = \sum_{i,j,\alpha} B_{ij}^\alpha \omega_i \wedge \omega_j E_\alpha, \quad \phi = \sum_{i,\alpha} C_i^\alpha \omega_i E_\alpha$$

where A is Blaschake tensor, B is Moebius form, ϕ is Moebius second fundamental form, then we get the equation as follows:

$$A_{ij,k} - A_{ik,j} = \sum_{\alpha} (B_{ik}^\alpha C_j^\alpha - B_{ij}^\alpha C_k^\alpha) \tag{2.3}$$

$$C_{i,j}^\alpha - C_{j,i}^\alpha = \sum_k (B_{ik}^\alpha A_{kj} - B_{kj}^\alpha A_{ki}) \tag{2.4}$$

$$B_{ij,k}^\alpha - B_{ik,j}^\alpha = \delta_{ij} C_k^\alpha - \delta_{ik} C_j^\alpha \tag{2.5}$$

$$R_{ijkl} = \sum_{\alpha} (B_{ik}^\alpha B_{jl}^\alpha - B_{il}^\alpha B_{jk}^\alpha) + A_{ik} \delta_{jl} + A_{jl} \delta_{ik} - A_{il} \delta_{jk} - A_{jk} \delta_{il} \tag{2.6}$$

$$\sum_i B_{ii}^\alpha = 0, \quad trA = \frac{1+m^2 R}{2m}, \quad \sum_{\alpha} \sum_{i,j} (B_{ij}^\alpha)^2 = \frac{m-1}{m}, \quad R = \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \sum_{i,j} R_{ijij} \tag{2.7}$$

Where R_{ijkl} the Riemannian curvature tensor of M, R is is the normal Moebius scalar curvature of M.

PINCHING THEOREMS ABOUT MOEBIUS SECTIONAL CURVATURE

Lemma 1

$$2 \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_\alpha^2 B_\beta^2) - tr(B_\alpha B_\beta)^2] + \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_\alpha B_\beta)]^2 \leq [1 + \frac{1}{2} \text{sgn}(p-1)] \|B\|^4 \tag{3.1}$$

if and only if

(i) $p = 1$

or (ii) $p = 2$, B^{m+1}, B^{m+2} at the same time as

$$\lambda B^{-m+1}, \mu B^{-m+2}, \lambda^2 = \mu^2,$$

$$\bar{B}^{m+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{B}^{m+2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Lemma 2

Let $x : M^m \rightarrow S^n$ is submanifolds without umbilical point on S^n , $\forall a \in R^1$

$$0 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \|B\|^2 = \|\nabla B\|^2 + (1+a) \sum_{i,j,\alpha,t,k} B_{ij}^\alpha (B_{tk}^\alpha R_{ijk} + B_{ti}^\alpha R_{tkj}) - \frac{(m-1)a}{m} trA$$

$$+ a \sum_{\alpha} tr(B_{\alpha} \nabla \phi_{\alpha}) - (1-a) \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha}^2 B_{\beta}^2) - tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})^2] + a \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})]^2 - ma \sum_{\alpha} tr(AB_{\alpha}^2)$$

Theorem 1 Let $x : M^m \rightarrow S^n$ ($n = m + p$) is submanifold without umbilical point in S^n , K is the infimum of the sectional curvature, then:

$$K \leq \frac{m-1}{2m^2} [1 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(p-1) - \frac{1}{p}]$$

if $K \geq \frac{m-1}{2m^2} [1 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(p-1) - \frac{1}{p}]$,

$x(M)$ is Moebius equivalent to a Veronese surface in S^4 , or is equivalent to Clifford tori in S^{m+1} , $S^k(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}) \times S^{m-k}(\sqrt{\frac{m-k}{m}})$ ($1 \leq k \leq m-1$)

Proof of Theorem 1

Let $x : M^m \rightarrow S^n$ ($n = m + p$) is an submanifolds without umbilical point on unit sphere, K is the infimum of the sectional curvature, In Lemma 1, let $a = 0$, then:

$$0 = \|\nabla B\|^2 + \sum_{i,j,\alpha,t,k} B_{ij}^\alpha (B_{tk}^\alpha R_{ijk} + B_{ti}^\alpha R_{tkj}) - \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha}^2 B_{\beta}^2) - tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})^2] \tag{3.2}$$

Because

$$\sum_{i,j,\alpha,t,k} B_{ij}^\alpha (B_{tk}^\alpha R_{ijk} + B_{ti}^\alpha R_{tkj}) \geq mK \|B\|^2, \frac{\|B\|^4}{p} \leq \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})]^2 \leq \|B\|^4 \tag{3.3}$$

then $0 \geq \|\nabla B\|^2 + mK \|B\|^2$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \{ 2 \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha}^2 B_{\beta}^2) - tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})^2] + \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})]^2 \} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha,\beta} [tr(B_{\alpha} B_{\beta})]^2$$

$$\geq \|\nabla B\|^2 + mK \|B\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} [1 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(p-1)] \|B\|^4 + \frac{1}{2p} \|B\|^4 \tag{3.4}$$

Because $\|\nabla B\|^2 \geq 0$

Then

$$K - \frac{m-1}{2m^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(p-1) - \frac{1}{p} \right] \leq 0 \quad (3.5)$$

if $K \geq \frac{m-1}{2m^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(p-1) - \frac{1}{p} \right]$, then

$$K = \frac{m-1}{2m^2} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{sgn}(p-1) - \frac{1}{p} \right] \quad (3.6)$$

Because $\|\nabla B\| = 0$ $\phi = 0$, according to the lemma 2, we get the following:

(i) $p = 1$, $K = 0$, $x(M)$ is Moebius equivalent to a Clifford minimal tori $S^k(\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}) \times S^{m-k}(\sqrt{\frac{m-k}{m}})$, $0 \leq k \leq m-1$ in S^{m+1}

(ii) $p = 2$, $K = 1/8$, $x(M)$ is Moebius equivalent to a Veronese surface in S^4

Theorem 2 Let $x : M^m \rightarrow S^n$ ($n = m + p$) is submanifolds without umbilical point in S^n , K is infimum of the

sectional curvature, $D = A - \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{tr} A \cdot id$, then:

$$K \leq \frac{m-2}{2(m+1)} \sqrt{\frac{m}{m-1}} \|D\| + \frac{1}{m+1} \operatorname{tr} A,$$

$$\text{if } K \geq \frac{m-2}{2(m+1)} \sqrt{\frac{m}{m-1}} \|D\| + \frac{1}{m+1} \operatorname{tr} A$$

$x(M)$ is Moebius equivalent to a Veronese surface $S^m(\sqrt{\frac{2(m+1)}{m}})$.

Proof of Theorem 2

Let $x : M^m \rightarrow S^n$ ($n = m + p$) is an submanifolds without umbilical point on unit sphere, K is the infimum of the sectional curvature, in Lemma 2, let $a = m/(m+2)$, from (3.3) and

$$|\operatorname{tr} DB^2| \leq \frac{m-2}{\sqrt{m(m-1)}} \|D\|$$

We obtain

$$\frac{2(m+1)m}{m+2} K - \frac{m}{m+2} \cdot \frac{m(m-2)}{\sqrt{m(m-1)}} \|D\| - \frac{2m}{m+2} \operatorname{tr} A \leq 0 \quad (3.7)$$

Then

$$K \leq \frac{m-2}{2(m+1)} \sqrt{\frac{m}{m-1}} \|D\| + \frac{1}{m+1} \operatorname{tr} A \quad (3.8)$$

If $K \geq \frac{m-2}{2(m+1)} \sqrt{\frac{m}{m-1}} \|D\| + \frac{1}{m+1} \operatorname{tr} A$

Then

$$K = \frac{m-2}{2(m+1)} \sqrt{\frac{m}{m-1}} \|D\| + \frac{1}{m+1} \text{tr}A \quad (3.9)$$

From $\|\nabla B\| = 0$ we obtain $\phi = 0$, Let $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ is a local standard orthogonal basis on TM, $A_{ij} = \lambda_i \delta_{ij}$, $D_{ij} = \tilde{\lambda}_i \delta_{ij}$.

From (3.7) take the equal sign, get all the λ_i is equal to each other, let $\lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_m$, then $\tilde{\lambda}_2 = \dots = \tilde{\lambda}_m$. Then, we let:

$$B_{11} = -(m-1)\mu, \quad B_{22} = \dots = B_{mm} = \mu, \quad \tilde{\lambda}_1 = \frac{m-1}{m} (\lambda_1 - \lambda), \quad \tilde{\lambda}_2 = \dots = \tilde{\lambda}_m = \frac{1}{m} (\lambda - \lambda_1)$$

$$\|D\| = \sqrt{\sum_i \tilde{\lambda}_i^2} = \frac{\sqrt{m(m-1)}}{m} |\lambda - \lambda_1| \quad (3.10)$$

from (2.6), we get

$$(m-1)^2 \mu^2 + (m-1)\mu^2 = \frac{m-1}{m}, \quad \mu = \pm \frac{1}{m} \quad (3.11)$$

when $\alpha \geq 2$, $B_{1\alpha} = 0$

because $B_{11} \neq B_{\alpha\alpha}$, we obtain

$$\omega_{\alpha 1} = 0$$

$$\sum_j B_{1\alpha, j} \omega_j = dB_{1\alpha} + \sum_j (B_{1j} \omega_{j\alpha} + B_{j\alpha} \omega_{j1}) = (B_{\alpha\alpha} - B_{11}) \omega_{\alpha 1} = 0 \quad (3.12)$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l} R_{1\alpha kl} \omega_k \wedge \omega_l = d\omega_{1\alpha} - \sum_k \omega_{1k} \wedge \omega_{k\alpha} = 0 \quad (3.13)$$

From (2.5)

$$0 = R_{1\alpha 1\alpha} = B_{11} B_{\alpha\alpha} + A_{11} + A_{\alpha\alpha} = -(m-1)\mu^2 + \lambda_1 + \lambda \quad (3.14)$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda = \frac{m-1}{m^2} \quad (3.15)$$

$$0 = \sum_j A_{1\alpha, j} \omega_j = dA_{1\alpha} + \sum_j A_{1j} \omega_{\alpha j} + \sum_j A_{\alpha j} \omega_{j1} = dA_{1\alpha} + (A_{11} - A_{\alpha\alpha}) \omega_{1\alpha} \quad (3.16)$$

Then $A_{1\alpha, j} = A_{1j, \alpha} = 0$, $A_{11, \alpha} = 0$, $A_{1\alpha, \alpha} = A_{\alpha\alpha, 1} = 0$

$$A_{11, 1} \omega_1 + \sum_{\alpha} A_{11, \alpha} \omega_{\alpha} = \sum_j A_{11, j} \omega_j \quad (2 \leq \alpha \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq m) \quad (3.17)$$

Because of $0 = \sum_j A_{11, j} \omega_j = dA_{11} + \sum_j A_{1j} \omega_{1j} + \sum_j A_{j1} \omega_{j1} = dA_{11}$, we get $\lambda_1 = \text{const}$

if $\lambda \neq \lambda_1$ and $\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \dots = \omega_m = 0$, assuming that $M^m = M_1^1 \times M_2^{m-1}$, $K=0$

From (3.9), we obtain $K = \frac{m-1}{2m(m+1)}$, which is contradiction with $K=0$, then $\lambda_1 = \lambda, \tilde{\lambda}_1 = \dots = \tilde{\lambda}_m = 0$, $D=0$.

From (3.9), we obtain $R=K=1/[m(m+1)]$. $x(M)$ is Moebius equivalent to minimal submanifold in S^n , then $\rho^2 = \text{const}$, $A_{ij} = \delta_{ij}/2$.

From $g = \rho^2 dx \cdot dx$, we get $K = \rho^{-2} K_E$ and $\rho^{-2} = 2\text{tr}(A)/m$.

From $\text{tr}A = (1 + m^2 R)/2m$, we get $\rho^{-2} = (1/m^2) + R$, $K_E = \frac{m}{2(m+1)}$,

Then we obtain \overline{M} is isometric to the Veronese surface $S^m(\sqrt{2(m+1)/m})$.

And $x(M)$ is Moebius equivalent to a Veronese surface $x_m : S^m(\sqrt{\frac{2(m+1)}{m}}) \rightarrow S^{m+p}$, $p = \frac{1}{2}(m-1)(m-2)$

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