

FINITE TYPE SUBMANIFOLDS IN PSEUDO-EUCLIDEAN SPACES AND APPLICATIONS

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§1. Introduction.

Let E_s^m be the m -dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space with (flat) pseudo-Riemannian metric of signature $(s, m-s)$. And let M be a compact space-like submanifold of E_s^m . By using the induced Riemannian structure on M , we can define two well-defined numbers p and q associated with the submanifold M in E_s^m . Here p is a positive integer and q is either $+\infty$ or an integer $\geq p$. The pair $[p, q]$ is called the *order of the submanifold* M (cf. [1]). The submanifold M is said to be of *finite type* if q is finite. Otherwise, M is said to be of *infinite type*. The submanifold M is of finite type if and only if there is a non-trivial polynomial P such $P(\Delta)H=0$; where Δ is the Laplacian Δ on M and H the mean curvature vector of M in E_s^m .

In this paper, we will give some general results for finite type submanifolds in the pseudo-Euclidean space E_s^m . By applying these results, we will prove the following. (1) There exist no compact space-like hypersurfaces with constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature in the anti-de Sitter space-time; (2) Every compact hypersurface with constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature in a hyperbolic space is a small hypersphere; and (3) If M is a compact space-like hypersurface of the de Sitter space-time, then M has non-zero constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature when and only when M is mass-symmetric and of 2-type in the Lorentz-Minkowski world.

For the general knowledge on Finite-Type Submanifolds in Euclidean spaces, see [1, 2]. And for the general knowledge on Relativity, see for instance [3, 4].

§2. Preliminaries.

Let E_s^m be the m -dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space with metric tensor given by

$$(2.1) \quad g_0 = - \sum_{i=1}^s dx_i^2 + \sum_{j=s+1}^m dx_j^2,$$

where (x_1, \dots, x_m) is a rectangular coordinate system of E_s^m . (E_s^m, g_0) is a flat pseudo-Riemannian manifold of signature $(s, m-s)$.

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Let c be a point in E_s^m and $r > 0$. We put

$$(2.2) \quad S_s^m(c, r) = \{x \in E_s^{m+1} \mid \langle x-c, x-c \rangle = r^2\},$$

$$(2.3) \quad H_s^m(c, r) = \{x \in E_{s+1}^{m+1} \mid \langle x-c, x-c \rangle = -r^2\},$$

where \langle, \rangle denotes the indefinite inner product on the pseudo-Euclidean space. It is known that $S_s^m(c, r)$ and $H_s^m(c, r)$ are complete pseudo-Riemannian manifolds of signature $(s, m-s)$ and respective constant sectional curvatures r^{-2} and $-r^{-2}$. $S_s^m(c, r)$ is simply-connected for $s < m-1$; $S_{m-1}^m(c, r)$ is connected and has infinite cyclic fundamental group; and $S_m^m(c, r)$ has two simply-connected components. $S_s^m(c, r)$ and $H_s^m(c, r)$ are called the *pseudo-Riemannian sphere* and the *pseudo-hyperbolic space*, respectively (cf. [6, p. 67].) The point c is called the *center* of $S_s^m(c, r)$ and of $H_s^m(c, r)$. In the following, $S_s^m(0, 1)$ and $H_s^m(0, 1)$ are simply denoted by S_s^m and H_s^m , respectively. S_1^m is called the *de Sitter space-time* (= *de Sitter world*) and H_1^m the *anti-de Sitter space-time* (= *anti-de Sitter world*). Both S_1^m and H_1^m are pseudo-Riemannian manifold of signature $(1, m-1)$. The hyperbolic space H^m is defined by

$$(2.4) \quad H^m = \{x \in E_1^{m+1} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = -1 \text{ and } t > 0\},$$

where $t = x_1$ is the first coordinate in E_1^m . H^m is a complete, simply-connected Riemannian manifold of constant sectional curvature -1 . E_1^m is called the *Lorentz-Minkowski space-time* (= *Lorentz-Minkowski world*).

Let \tilde{M} be a pseudo-Riemannian manifold with pseudo-Riemannian metric \tilde{g} . Denote by \langle, \rangle the associated non-degenerate inner product and by $\tilde{\nabla}$ the metric connection on \tilde{M} . A tangent vector X to \tilde{M} is said to be *space-like* (respectively, *time-like* or *light-like*) if $\langle X, X \rangle > 0$ or $X = 0$ (respectively, if $\langle X, X \rangle < 0$ or $\langle X, X \rangle = 0$ and $X \neq 0$).

Let M be a submanifold of \tilde{M} . If the pseudo-Riemannian metric tensor \tilde{g} of \tilde{M} induces a pseudo-Riemannian metric (respectively, Riemannian metric) on M , then M is called a *pseudo-Riemannian* (respectively, *space-like*) *submanifold* of \tilde{M} .

If M is a pseudo-Riemannian (or space-like) submanifold of \tilde{M} , each tangent space is, $T_x(M)$ by definition, a nondegenerate subspace of $T_x(\tilde{M})$. Hence, we have the direct sum decomposition:

$$(2.5) \quad T_x(\tilde{M}) = T_x(M) \oplus T_x^\perp(M),$$

where the normal space $T_x^\perp(M)$ is also nondegenerate.

Let ∇ denote the induced metric connection on M . Then, for any vector fields X, Y tangent to M , we have the following Gauss formula:

$$(2.6) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y),$$

where h is the second fundamental form of M in \tilde{M} .

Denote by R and \tilde{R} the curvature tensors of M and \tilde{M} , respectively. The

Gauss equation is given by

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle R(X, Y)Z, W \rangle &= \langle \tilde{R}(X, Y)Z, W \rangle \\ &+ \langle h(X, W), h(Y, Z) \rangle - \langle h(X, Z), h(Y, W) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Denote by D the linear connection induced on the normal bundle $T^\perp(M)$. For each vector field ξ normal to M , the Weingarten formula is given by

$$(2.8) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X \xi = -A_\xi X + D_X \xi,$$

where A_ξ is the Weingarten map with respect to ξ . A_ξ is a self-adjoint endomorphism of the tangent bundle $T(M)$ which can be diagonalized when M is space-like. It is well-known that h and A are related by

$$(2.9) \quad \langle h(X, Y), \xi \rangle = \langle A_\xi X, Y \rangle.$$

For the second fundamental form h , we define the covariant differentiation of h by

$$(2.10) \quad (\tilde{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = D_X h(Y, Z) - h(\nabla_X Y, Z) - h(Y, \nabla_X Z).$$

The Codazzi equation is given by

$$(2.11) \quad (\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z)^\perp = (\tilde{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) - (\tilde{\nabla}_Y h)(X, Z).$$

A normal vector field ξ is said to be *parallel* if $D_X \xi = 0$ for any vector X tangent to M .

Let M be a pseudo-Riemannian submanifold with signature $(t, n-t)$ in M . Let E_1, \dots, E_n be an orthonormal local basis on M such that E_1, \dots, E_t are time-like and E_{t+1}, \dots, E_n are space-like. If F is an endomorphism of TM such that $F = (F_{ij})$ with respect to the basis E_1, \dots, E_n , then the *trace* of F is defined by

$$\text{tr } F = \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i F_{ii},$$

where $\varepsilon_1 = \dots = \varepsilon_t = -1$, $\varepsilon_{t+1} = \dots = \varepsilon_n = 1$ and $F_{ij} = \langle F(E_i), E_j \rangle$. From these, we find

$$(2.12) \quad \text{tr } h = \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i h(E_i, E_i).$$

The *mean curvature vector* H of M in \tilde{M} is defined by $H = 1/n \text{tr } h$, where $n = \dim M$. A pseudo-Riemannian submanifold M of \tilde{M} is said to be *minimal* if the mean curvature vector H vanishes identically. A pseudo-Riemannian submanifold M in \tilde{M} is said to be *pseudo-umbilical* if $\langle H, H \rangle \neq 0$ and $A_H = \mu I$ for some function μ on M , where I is the identity transformation.

We need the following.

LEMMA 1. *Let M be a pseudo-Riemannian (in particular, space-like) submanifold of the pseudo-Riemannian sphere $S_s^m(c, r)$ (respectively, the pseudo-hyperbolic*

space $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$ in E_s^{m+1} . Then the mean curvature vectors H and H' of M in E_s^{m+1} and in $S_s^m(c, r)$ (respectively, in $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$) satisfy

$$(2.13) \quad H=H'-\frac{1}{r^2}(x-c) \quad \left(\text{respectively, } H=H'+\frac{1}{r^2}(x-c)\right).$$

Proof. Let $\varepsilon=1$ or -1 according to M being a submanifold of $S_s^m(c, r)$ or of $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$. Let x denote the position vector of M in E_s^{m+1} . Then we have

$$(2.14) \quad \langle x-c, x-c \rangle = \varepsilon r^2.$$

For each vector X tangent to $S_s^m(c, r)$ or to $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$ we have $\tilde{\nabla}_X x = X$. Thus, $x-c$ is normal to $S_s^m(c, r)$ and to $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$. Moreover, from $\tilde{\nabla}_X x = X$, we have

$$(2.15) \quad A_{x-c} = \tilde{A}_{x-c} = -I,$$

where A and \tilde{A} denote the Weingarten maps of M and $S_s^m(c, r)$ (or $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$) in E_s^{m+1} . Let h' and \tilde{h} be the second fundamental forms of M in $S_s^m(c, r)$ (or in $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$) and of $S_s^m(c, r)$ (or $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$) in E_s^{m+1} , respectively. Then we have

$$(2.16) \quad h(X, Y) = h'(X, Y) + \tilde{h}(X, Y).$$

Since $h(X, Y) = \varepsilon \langle A_{x-c} X, Y \rangle (x-c)/r^2$, (2.12), (2.15) and (2.16) give (2.13).

(Q. E. D.)

§ 3. Some General Results.

Throughout the remaining part of this paper, we assume that M is a connected, n -dimensional, pseudo-Riemannian submanifold of E_s^{m+1} .

First, we give the following.

LEMMA 2. *A submanifold M of the pseudo-Euclidean space E_s^{m+1} is a pseudo-umbilical submanifold with parallel mean curvature vector if and only if M is either a minimal submanifold of a pseudo-Riemannian sphere $S_s^m(c, r)$ or a minimal submanifold of a pseudo-hyperbolic space $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$ for some $c \in E_s^{m+1}$ and $r > 0$.*

Proof. Assume that M is a pseudo-umbilical submanifold of E_s^{m+1} with parallel mean curvature vector. Then, $\langle H, H \rangle \neq 0$ and, by definition, for any X tangent to M , we have $X \langle H, H \rangle = 2 \langle \tilde{\nabla}_X H, H \rangle = 0$. Thus, $\langle H, H \rangle$ is a non-zero constant. We put

$$(3.1) \quad \langle H, H \rangle = \frac{\varepsilon}{r^2}, \quad \varepsilon = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad -1.$$

Let $A_H = \mu I$. Then from (2.9) and (2.12), we find

$$(3.2) \quad \varepsilon = \mu r^2.$$

We put

$$(3.3) \quad y = x + \epsilon r^2 H,$$

where x is the position vector of M in E_s^{m+1} . Then, for any vector X tangent to M , we have

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{\nabla}_X y &= \tilde{\nabla}_X x + \epsilon r^2 \tilde{\nabla}_X H \\ &= X - \epsilon r^2 A_H X = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus y is a constant vector, say c , in E_s^{m+1} . Hence, we find $\langle x - c, x - c \rangle = r^4 \langle H, H \rangle = \epsilon r^2$. This shows that M lies either in the pseudo-Riemannian sphere $S_s^m(c, r)$ or in the pseudo-hyperbolic space $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$. Since (3.3) gives

$$(3.5) \quad H = -\frac{\epsilon}{r^2}(x - c),$$

Lemma 1 implies that $H' = 0$, i.e., M is a minimal submanifold of $S_s^m(c, r)$ or of $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$.

Conversely, if M is a minimal submanifold of $S_s^m(c, r)$ or of $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$, then Lemma 1 shows that $H = -\epsilon(x - c)/r^2$. This implies that

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X H = -\frac{\epsilon}{r^2} \tilde{\nabla}_X x = -\frac{\epsilon}{r^2} X.$$

Thus, $A_H = \epsilon I/r^2$ and $DH = 0$. Moreover, by applying (2.13) and (3.5) we also find $\langle H, H \rangle = \epsilon/r^2 \neq 0$. Consequently, M is a pseudo-umbilical submanifold with parallel mean curvature vector. (Q. E. D.)

Remark 1. If E_s^{m+1} is the Euclidean space E^{m+1} , Lemma 2 is due to Yano and Chen [7]. For pseudo-Euclidean case the “only if” part of Lemma 2 was given in [5].

LEMMA 3. *If M is a submanifold of S_s^m (or H_{s-1}^m) in E_s^{m+1} , then the mean curvature vectors H' and H in S_s^m (or in H_{s-1}^m) and in E_s^{m+1} satisfy*

$$(3.6) \quad DH = D'H', \quad A_H = A_{H'} + \epsilon I.$$

Proof. Obvious from (2.8), (2.14) and Lemma 1.

In the following, by a *hyperplane section* N of S_s^m (or of H_{s-1}^m) we mean the intersection of S_s^m (or of H_{s-1}^m) and a hyperplane L of E_s^{m+1} .

By applying Lemma 2, we have the following.

PROPOSITION 1. *Let M be a submanifold of the pseudo-Riemannian sphere S_s^m (respectively, of the pseudo-hyperbolic space H_{s-1}^m .) If M is a pseudo-umbilical submanifold with parallel mean curvature vector, then M is a minimal submanifold of a hyperplane section of S_s^m (respectively, of H_{s-1}^m .)*

Proof. Under the hypothesis, the mean curvature vector H' of M in S_s^m (or in H_{s-1}^m) satisfies

$$(3.7) \quad \langle H', H' \rangle \neq 0, \quad A'_{H'} = \mu I \quad \text{and} \quad D'H' = 0,$$

where A' and D' denote the Weingarten map and the normal connection of M in S_s^m (or in H_{s-1}^m). Let A be the Weingarten map of M in E_s^{m+1} . Then, by (3.7) and Lemma 3, we know that M has parallel mean curvature vector H in E_s^{m+1} , too. Since H is parallel, $\langle H, H \rangle$ is constant.

If $\langle H, H \rangle = 0$, then $H = H' - \varepsilon x$ is a light-like vector. Thus, we have $\langle H', H' \rangle = -\varepsilon$. Because $A'_{H'} = \mu I$, we find $\mu = \langle H', H' \rangle = -\varepsilon$. Thus, we get

$$(3.8) \quad A_{H'} = A'_{H'} = -\varepsilon I.$$

Applying (3.7), (3.8) and Lemma 3, we find

$$(3.9) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_x H = \tilde{\nabla}_x H' - \varepsilon \tilde{\nabla}_x x = 0.$$

This shows that H is a constant vector in E_s^{m+1} . Let $H = -\varepsilon c$. Then we have

$$(3.10) \quad \langle x - c, x - c \rangle = -\varepsilon.$$

Since $\langle x, x \rangle = \varepsilon$, we obtain $\langle x, c \rangle = \varepsilon - 1/2 \langle c, c \rangle$. This shows that M lies in the hyperplane section N given by

$$N = \{x \in E_s^{m+1} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = \varepsilon \text{ and } \langle x, c \rangle = \varepsilon - 1/2 \langle c, c \rangle\}$$

for some constant c . Since $H = -\varepsilon c$ is normal to the hyperplane $\{x \in E_s^{m+1} \mid \langle x, c \rangle = \varepsilon - 1/2 \langle c, c \rangle\}$, the mean curvature vector of M in N vanishes. Thus, M is a minimal submanifold of N .

If $\langle H, H \rangle \neq 0$, then M is pseudo-umbilical in E_s^{m+1} by Lemma 2. Thus, Lemma 2 implies that M is a minimal submanifold of a $S_s^m(c, r)$ or of a $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$ for some $c \in E_s^{m+1}$ and $r > 0$. Thus, we have

$$(3.11) \quad \langle x - c, x - c \rangle = \bar{\varepsilon} r^2,$$

where $\bar{\varepsilon} = 1$ or -1 according to M is a minimal submanifold of $S_s^m(c, r)$ or of $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$. Since $\langle x, x \rangle = \varepsilon$, (3.11) gives $2 \langle x, c \rangle = \varepsilon - \bar{\varepsilon} r^2 + \langle c, c \rangle$. Thus, M lies in the hyperplane section given by

$$N = \{x \in E_s^{m+1} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = \varepsilon \text{ and } \langle x - c, x - c \rangle = \bar{\varepsilon} r^2\}.$$

Since M is minimal in $\{x \in E_s^{m+1} \mid \langle x - c, x - c \rangle = \bar{\varepsilon} r^2\}$, M is minimal in N , too. (Q. E. D.)

Remark 2. If M is a minimal submanifold of a hyperplane section N of S_s^m (or of H_{s-1}^m), then either N is totally geodesic in S_s^m (or in H_{s-1}^m) or N is a pseudo-umbilical submanifold with parallel mean curvature vector.

Let M be a pseudo-Riemannian submanifold with orthonormal local basis E_1, \dots, E_n . For any real function f on M , the Laplacian Δf of f is defined by

$$\Delta f = - \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i \{E_i E_i f - \nabla_{E_i} E_i f\}.$$

We mention the following lemma for later use.

LEMMA 4. Let M be an n -dimensional submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . Then we have

$$(3.12) \quad \Delta x = -nH.$$

Proof. Let a be any fixed vector in E_s^{m+1} and p a point in M . Let E_1, \dots, E_n be an orthonormal local basis about p such that $(\nabla_{E_i} E_j)(p) = 0; i, j = 1, \dots, n$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta \langle x, a \rangle)_p &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i (E_i)_p \langle E_i, a \rangle \\ &= - \sum \varepsilon_i \langle \tilde{\nabla}_{E_i} E_i, a \rangle(p) \\ &= - \sum \varepsilon_i \langle h(E_i, E_i), a \rangle_p \\ &= -n \langle H, a \rangle_p. \end{aligned}$$

Since both Δx and H are independent of the choice of the local basis, we have $\langle \Delta x, a \rangle = -\langle nH, a \rangle$. Because the inner product \langle, \rangle is nondegenerate, this implies equation (3.12). (Q. E. D.)

Combining Lemmas 1 and 4 we have the following.

PROPOSITION 2. There exist no compact space-like minimal submanifolds in any pseudo-hyperbolic space H_s^m .

Proof. If M is a compact space-like minimal submanifold of H_s^m , then Lemma 1 gives $H = x$. Thus, Lemma 4 implies $\Delta x = -nx$. This shows that $-n$ is an eigenvalue of M . Since M is a compact Riemannian manifold, eigenvalues of Δ on M are non-negative. (Q. E. D.)

Remark 3. In contrast to Proposition 2, there exist compact minimal space-like submanifolds in pseudo-Riemannian spheres.

LEMMA 5. If M is compact space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} , then we have

$$(3.13) \quad \int_M H \, dV = 0,$$

$$(3.14) \quad \int_M \langle H, x \rangle \, dV + \int_M dV = 0.$$

Proof. Since M is compact, Lemma 4 and Hopf's Lemma implies (3.13).

By using (3.12) we have $\Delta \langle x, x \rangle = -2n(1 + \langle H, x \rangle)$. Thus, we also have (3.14). (Q. E. D.)

In the following, a compact submanifold M of $S_s^m(c, r)$ (or of $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$) in E_s^{m+1} is called *mass-symmetric* if the center of mass of M in E_s^{m+1} is just the center c of $S_s^m(c, r)$ (or of $H_{s-1}^m(c, r)$). Lemmas 1 and 4 imply the following.

LEMMA 6. If M is a compact, space-like, minimal submanifold of the pseudo-Riemannian sphere S_s^m , then M is mass-symmetric in E_s^{m+1} .

Proof. Under the hypothesis, we have $\Delta x = -nH = nx$. Thus $\int_M x dV = 0$.
(Q. E. D.)

Remark 4. From the proof of Lemma 6, we see that if M is an n -dimensional, compact, space-like, minimal submanifold of S_s^m , then the first non-zero eigenvalue λ_1 of Δ on M satisfies $\lambda_1 \leq n$.

§ 4. Finite-type submanifolds in E_s^{m+1} .

Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . Then M with the induced metric is a Riemannian manifold. Thus, the Laplacian Δ of M is an elliptic differential operator and it has infinite sequence of eigenvalues:

$$0 = \lambda_0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots < \lambda_k < \dots \uparrow \infty.$$

Let $V_k = \{f \in C^\infty(M) \mid \Delta f = \lambda_k f\}$ be the eigenspace of Δ with eigenvalue λ_k . Then each V_k is finite-dimensional. If we define an inner product on $C^\infty(M)$ by $(f, g) = \int_M fg dV$, then the decomposition $\sum_{k=0}^\infty V_k$ is orthogonal and dense in $C^\infty(M)$ (in L^2 -sense). V_0 is 1-dimensional and it consists of constant functions.

For each $f \in C^\infty(M)$, let f_t be the projection of f onto V_t . Then we have the following decomposition:

$$(4.2) \quad f = \sum_{t=0}^\infty f_t \quad (\text{in } L^2\text{-sense}).$$

If f is a non-constant function on M , there is a positive integer $p \geq 1$ such that $f_p \neq 0$ and $f = f_0 + \sum_{t \geq p} f_t$. If there are infinite f_t 's which are nonzero, we put $q = \infty$. Otherwise, there is an integer $q \geq p$ such that $f_q \neq 0$ and $f = f_0 + \sum_{t=p}^q f_t$. Thus, in both cases, we have

$$(4.3) \quad f - f_0 = \sum_{t=p}^q f_t,$$

where q is either ∞ or an integer $\geq p$.

For the compact, space-like submanifold M in E_s^{m+1} , we put

$$(4.4) \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_{m+1}),$$

where x_A is the A -th rectangular coordinate function of M in E_s^{m+1} . For each x_A , we have

$$(4.5) \quad x_A - (x_A)_0 = \sum_{t=p_A}^{q_A} (x_A)_t, \quad A = 1, \dots, m+1.$$

We put

$$(4.6) \quad p = \inf \{p_A\}, \quad q = \sup \{q_A\},$$

where A ranges among all A such that $x_A \neq (x_A)_0$. It is clear that p is an

integer ≥ 1 and q is either ∞ or an integer $\geq p$. The pair of these invariants $[p, q]$ is called the *order of M* in E_s^{m+1} (cf. [1]). The submanifold M in E_s^{m+1} is said to be of *finite type* if q is finite. Otherwise, M is of infinite type. The submanifold M in E_s^{m+1} is said to be of *k -type* if there exist exactly k nonzero x_t 's in the following decomposition :

$$(4.7) \quad x = x_0 + \sum_{t=p}^q x_t, \quad \Delta x_t = \lambda_t x_t.$$

We need the following.

PROPOSITION 3. *Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . Then M is of finite type if and only if there exists a non-trivial polynomial P such that $P(\Delta)H=0$ (or equivalently, $P(\Delta)(x-x_0)=0$).*

Proof. Consider the decomposition (4.7). If M is of finite type, q is finite. Thus, we have from Lemma 4,

$$(4.8) \quad -n\Delta^i H = \sum_{t=p}^q \lambda_t^{i+1} x_t, \quad i=0, 1, 2, \dots.$$

Let $c_1 = -\sum_{t=p}^q \lambda_t$, $c_2 = \sum_{t < s} \lambda_t \lambda_s$, \dots , $c_{q-p+1} = (-1)^{q-p+1} \lambda_p \dots \lambda_q$. Then we find

$$(4.9) \quad \Delta^k H + c_1 \Delta^{k-1} H + \dots + c_k H = 0, \quad k = q - p + 1.$$

Conversely, if H satisfies (4.9) for some $k \geq 0$, then $k \geq 1$ by Lemma 4. Thus, by (4.7) and (4.9), we find

$$(4.10) \quad \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \lambda_t (\lambda_t^k + c_1 \lambda_t^{k-1} + \dots + c_k) x_t = 0.$$

Let

$$x_t = ((x_t)_1, \dots, (x_t)_{m+1}).$$

Then (4.10) gives

$$(4.11) \quad \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \lambda_t (\lambda_t^k + c_1 \lambda_t^{k-1} + \dots + c_k) (x_t)_A = 0, \quad A=1, \dots, m+1.$$

If $x_s \neq 0$, then

$$(x_s)_A \neq 0$$

for some A . Thus, we find

$$(4.12) \quad 0 = \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \lambda_t (\lambda_t^k + c_1 \lambda_t^{k-1} + \dots + c_k) ((x_t)_A, (x_s)_A) = 0,$$

where $(f, g) = \int_M fg \, dV$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_t ((x_t)_A, (x_s)_A) &= (\Delta(x_t)_A, (x_s)_A) \\ &= ((x_t)_A, \Delta(x_s)_B) = \lambda_s ((x_t)_A, (x_s)_A), \end{aligned}$$

we find

$$((x_t)_A, (x_s)_A) = 0$$

if $t \neq s$. Therefore, (4.12) implies

$$(4.13) \quad \lambda_t^k + c_1 \lambda_t^{k-1} + \dots + c_k = 0 \quad \text{whenever } x_t \neq 0.$$

Since equation (4.13) has at most k real solutions, at most k of the x_t 's in (4.7) are nonzero. Thus, M is of finite-type. Similar argument applies to $P(\Delta)(x-x_0) = 0$. (Q. E. D)

From the proof of Proposition 3, we also have the following.

PROPOSITION 4. *Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . If M is of k -type, then there exists a polynomial P of degree k such that $P(\Delta)H = 0$ (or $P(\Delta)(x-x_0) = 0$.) Conversely, if $P(\Delta)H = 0$ (or $P(\Delta)(x-x_0) = 0$) for a polynomial P of degree $d \geq 1$, then M is of k -type for some k ; $d \geq k \geq 1$.*

Now, we give the following Lemmas for later use.

LEMMA 7. *Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . If M is not of 1-type and if H satisfies $\Delta^2 H + b\Delta H + cH = 0$ for some constant b and c , then $b = -(\lambda_p + \lambda_q) < 0$ and $c = \lambda_p \lambda_q > 0$ where $[p, q]$ is the order of M in E_s^{m+1} .*

Proof. Under the hypothesis, Proposition 4 shows that M is of 2-type. Thus, we have $x = x_0 + x_p + x_q$. Therefore, we find

$$(\lambda_p^3 + b\lambda_p^2 + c\lambda_p)x_p + (\lambda_q^3 + b\lambda_q^2 + c\lambda_q)x_q = 0.$$

Thus, we have $\lambda_p^2 + b\lambda_p + c = 0$, $\lambda_q^2 + b\lambda_q + c = 0$. Since λ_p and λ_q are positive real roots of $t^2 + bt + c = 0$, we have $b = -(\lambda_p + \lambda_q) < 0$ and $c = -\lambda_p \lambda_q > 0$. (Q. E. D)

LEMMA 8. *Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . Then x_0 is the center of mass in E_s^{m+1} .*

Proof. Since $\int_M x_t dV = 1/\lambda_t \int_M \Delta x_t dV = 0$, (4.9) gives to $x_0 = \int_M x dV / \int_M dV$. (Q. E. D)

LEMMA 9. *Let M be a space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . Then we have*

$$(4.15) \quad \Delta H = \Delta^D H + \sum_{i=1}^n \{(\nabla_{E_i} A_H)E_i + A_{D_{E_i}H}E_i + h(E_i, A_H E_i)\},$$

where Δ^D is the Laplacian associated with D and E_1, \dots, E_n an orthonormal local basis of M .

Proof. Let a be any vector in E_s^{m+1} and X, Y any vector fields tangent to M . We have

$$(4.16) \quad \begin{aligned} YX\langle H, a \rangle &= \langle D_Y D_X H, a \rangle - \langle \nabla_Y (A_H X), a \rangle \\ &\quad - \langle A_{D_X H} Y, a \rangle - \langle h(Y, A_H X), a \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since \langle, \rangle is non-degenerate, this gives (4.15) where

$$\Delta^p H = - \sum_{i=1}^n \{D_{E_i} D_{E_i} H - D_{\nabla_{E_i} E_i} H\}. \quad (\text{Q. E. D.})$$

§5. 1-type Submanifolds in E_s^{m+1} .

In this section, we give the following *characterization theorem* for 1-type submanifolds.

THEOREM 1. *Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of E_s^{m+1} . Then M is of 1-type in E_s^{m+1} if and only if M is a minimal submanifold in a pseudo-Riemannian sphere $S_s^m(c, r)$ for some $c \in E_s^{m+1}$ and $r > 0$.*

Proof. If M is of 1-type in E_s^{m+1} , we have $\Delta x = \lambda_p(x - x_0)$. Thus, by Lemma 4, we find

$$(5.1) \quad nH = \lambda_p(x_0 - x).$$

This shows that $n\tilde{\nabla}_x H = -\lambda_p X$. Thus, we have

$$(5.2) \quad A_H = \frac{\lambda_p}{n} I \quad \text{and} \quad DH = 0.$$

Moreover, by (5.1), we also have

$$X\langle x - x_0, x - x_0 \rangle = 2\langle X, x - x_0 \rangle = 0$$

for any X tangent to M . Thus, $\langle x - x_0, x - x_0 \rangle$ is constant.

If $\langle x - x_0, x - x_0 \rangle = 0$, then M lies in the light cone $C = \{x \in E_s^{m+1} \mid \langle x - x_0, x - x_0 \rangle = 0\}$ with vertex at x_0 . Since M lies in C and x_0 is the center of mass of M in E_s^{m+1} , M must lie in both parts of the light cone C . This is impossible since M is assumed to be a space-like submanifold. Thus, $\langle H, H \rangle \neq 0$. Consequently, M is pseudo-umbilical in E_s^{m+1} with parallel mean curvature vector. Thus, by Lemma 2, M is either a minimal submanifold of a pseudo-Riemannian sphere or a minimal submanifold of a pseudo-hyperbolic space. Since M is compact, Proposition 2 shows that the second case cannot occur.

Conversely, if M is a minimal submanifold of a pseudo-Riemannian sphere, then Lemmas 1 and 4 imply that $\Delta H + \lambda H = 0$ for some constant λ . Thus, by Proposition 4, M is of 1-type in E_s^{m+1} . (Q. E. D.)

In the following, a compact hypersurface N of the pseudo-hyperbolic space H_{s-1}^m is called a *small hypersphere* of H_{s-1}^m if N is the intersection of H_{s-1}^m with a pseudo-Riemannian sphere $S_s^m(c, r)$ in E_s^{m+1} . A small hypersphere of H_{s-1}^m is a totally umbilical submanifold in both H_{s-1}^m and E_s^{m+1} . Moreover, a small hypersphere of H_{s-1}^m is a totally umbilical hypersurface of a linear hyperplane L in E_s^{m+1} with c as its hyperplane normal.

By applying Theorem 1, we may obtain the following.

COROLLARY 1. *Let M be a compact, space-like submanifold of a pseudo-*

hyperbolic space H_{s-1}^m in E_s^{m+1} . Then M is of 1-type in E_s^{m+1} if and only if M is a minimal submanifold of a small hypersphere of H_{s-1}^m .

In particular, if E_s^{m-1} is the Lorentz-Minkowski space-time, Corollary 1 reduces to the following.

COROLLARY 2. *A compact submanifold M of the hyperbolic space $H^m \subset E_1^{m+1}$ is of 1-type in the Lorentz-Minkowski world if and only if M is a minimal submanifold of a small hypersphere of H^m .*

§ 6. Hypersurfaces in Anti-de Sitter World.

It is known that there exist abundant examples of compact hypersurfaces with constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature in a Riemannian sphere S^m . In this section, by applying the theory of finite-type submanifolds, we prove the following non-existence theorem in the anti-de Sitter world.

THEOREM 2. *There exist no compact space-like hypersurfaces with constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature in the anti-de Sitter space-time H_1^{n+1} .*

Proof. We regard the anti-de Sitter space-time H_1^{n+1} as a hypersurface of E_2^{n+2} defined by

$$(6.1) \quad H_1^{n+1} = \{x \in E_2^{n+2} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = -1\}$$

Let M be a compact space-like hypersurface of H_1^{n+1} . Then the position vector x of M in E_2^{n+2} is a time-like unit normal vector. From Lemma 1, we have

$$(6.2) \quad H = H' + x,$$

where H' is the mean curvature vector of M in H_1^{n+1} . Since M is space-like, H' is either zero or time-like. We put

$$(6.3) \quad \langle H', H' \rangle = -\alpha^2.$$

Then $H' = \alpha \xi$ for a unit time-like vector field ξ normal to M and tangent to H_1^{n+1} . Moreover, we have $\text{tr } A_\xi = -n\alpha$. By applying (2.9), we find

$$(6.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_i \langle h(E_i, A_H E_i), x \rangle &= \sum_i \langle A_H E_i, A_x E_i \rangle = -\sum_i \langle A_H E_i, E_i \rangle \\ &= -n \langle H, H \rangle = n + n\alpha^2. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, applying (2.9) and (5.2) and Lemma 2, we also have

$$(6.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_i \langle h(E_i, A_H E_i), \xi \rangle &= \alpha \|A_\xi\|^2 - \text{tr } A_\xi \\ &= \alpha \|A_\xi\|^2 + n\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, (6.4) and (6.5) give

$$(6.6) \quad \sum_i h(E_i, A_H E_i) = -(\|A_\xi\|^2 + n)H' - (n + n\alpha^2)x.$$

Since A_ξ is self-adjoint and M is space-like, we may diagonalize A_ξ . Let E_1, \dots, E_n be an orthonormal local basis of M such that

$$(6.7) \quad A_\xi E_i = \mu_i E_i, \quad i=1, \dots, n.$$

If we put

$$\nabla_{E_i} E_j = \sum_{k=1}^n \omega_j^k(E_i) E_k,$$

then (6.7) implies

$$(6.8) \quad (\nabla_{E_i} A_H) E_j = (E_i \alpha) \mu_j E_j + \alpha (E_i \mu_j) E_j + \sum_k \alpha (\mu_j - \mu_k) \omega_j^k(E_i) E_k.$$

Therefore, by the Codazzi equation, we obtain

$$(6.9) \quad \alpha \{ (E_i \mu_j) E_j - (E_j \mu_i) E_i + \sum_k (\mu_j - \mu_k) \omega_j^k(E_i) E_k \\ - \sum_k (\mu_i - \mu_k) \omega_i^k(E_j) E_k \} = 0,$$

where we have used the fact $D\xi=0$. If $j \neq i$, (6.9) gives

$$(6.10) \quad \alpha (E_i \mu_j) = \alpha (\mu_i - \mu_j) \omega_i^j(E_j), \quad j \neq i.$$

Since $\omega_i^j = -\omega_j^i$, (6.8) and (6.10) imply

$$(6.11) \quad \sum_i (\nabla_{E_i} A_H) E_i = \sum_i [(E_i \alpha) \mu_i E_i + \alpha (E_i \mu_i) E_i] + \alpha \sum_{j \neq i} (E_j \mu_i) E_j.$$

Since $\sum_i \mu_i = \text{tr } A_\xi = -n\alpha$, (5.11) gives

$$(6.12) \quad \sum_i (\nabla_{E_i} A_H) E_i = \sum_i \left[A_{D' E_i H'} E_i - \frac{n}{2} (E_i \alpha^2) E_i \right].$$

Consequently, by applying Lemma 2, Lemma 8, (6.6), (6.12), we find

$$(6.13) \quad \Delta H = \Delta^{D'} H' + 2 \text{tr } A_{D' H'} + \frac{n}{2} \text{grad} \langle H', H' \rangle \\ - (\|A_\xi\|^2 + n)H' - (n + n\alpha^2)x.$$

In particular, if M has constant mean curvature α in H_1^{n+1} , then $D'H'=0$. Thus (6.13) reduces to

$$(6.14) \quad \Delta H = -(\|A_\xi\|^2 + n)H' - (n + n\alpha^2)x.$$

On the other hand, since the second fundamental form h of M in E_2^{n+2} is given by

$$(6.15) \quad h(X, Y) = -\langle A_\xi X, Y \rangle \xi + \langle X, Y \rangle x,$$

equation (2.7) of Gauss gives

$$(6.16) \quad \tau = \|A_\xi\|^2 - n^2\alpha^2 - n(n-1),$$

where τ is the scalar curvature of M . Combining (6.14) with Lemma 1, we find

$$(6.17) \quad \Delta H + (\|A_\xi\|^2 + n)H + (n\alpha^2 - \|A_\xi\|^2)x = 0.$$

If the scalar curvature τ of M is also constant, then (6.16) shows that

$$(6.18) \quad b = \|A_\xi\|^2 + n \quad \text{and} \quad c = n\alpha^2 - \|A_\xi\|^2$$

are constant. Therefore, Lemmas 4 and 7 imply that M is of 1-type. Therefore, $x = x_0 + x_p$ for some integer $p \geq 1$. Combining this with Lemma 4, we obtain

$$(6.19) \quad nH = \lambda_p(x_0 - x).$$

On the other hand, (6.17) and Lemma 5 give

$$(6.20) \quad (n\alpha^2 - \|A_\xi\|^2) \int_M x \, dV = 0.$$

If $n\alpha^2 = \|A_\xi\|^2$, then $\Delta H = -(n + \|A_\xi\|^2)H$ which is impossible. Therefore, we find $x_0 = 0$. Thus, (6.19) gives $nH = -\lambda_p x$. Since x and ξ are orthonormal, Lemma 1 implies that this case is also impossible. (Q. E. D)

A space-like hypersurface in H_1^{n+1} (or in H^{n+1}) is said to be isoparametric if the Weingarten map A_ξ has constant eigenvalues. Since a space-like isoparametric hypersurface in H_1^{n+1} (or in H^{n+1}) has constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature, Theorem 2 implies immediately the following.

COROLLARY 3. *There exist no compact space-like isoparametric hypersurfaces in the anti-de Sitter space-time.*

§7. Hypersurfaces in Hyperbolic Space.

In this section, we apply our previous results to give the following classification theorem in hyperbolic space.

THEOREM 3. *The only compact hypersurfaces with constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature in the hyperbolic space H^{n+1} are small hyperspheres of H^{n+1} .*

Proof. We regard the hyperbolic space H^{n+1} as a space-like hypersurface of the Lorentz-Minkowski world E_1^{n+2} defined by

$$(7.1) \quad H^{n+1} = \{x \in E_1^{n+2} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad t > 0\}.$$

Let M be a compact hypersurface of H^{n+1} with mean curvature vector H' . Let ξ be a unit vector field in the direction of H' . We put $H' = \alpha\xi$. Then, by an argument similar to that given in section 6, we may obtain

$$(7.2) \quad \Delta H = \Delta^p H' + 2 \operatorname{tr} A_{D' H'} - \frac{n}{2} \operatorname{grad} \langle H', H' \rangle \\ + (\|A_\xi\|^2 - n)H' + (n\alpha^2 - n)x.$$

If M has constant mean curvature, (7.2) reduces to

$$(7.3) \quad \Delta H = (\|A_\xi\|^2 - n)H' + (n\alpha^2 - n)x.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(7.4) \quad H = H' + x,$$

$$(7.5) \quad \tau = n^2\alpha^2 - \|A_\xi\|^2 - n(n-1).$$

Thus, we obtain

$$(7.6) \quad \Delta H + bH + cx = 0,$$

where $b = n - \|A_\xi\|^2$ and $c = \|A_\xi\|^2 - n\alpha^2$. If M has constant scalar curvature τ , too, then (7.5) shows that b and c are constants. Thus, by applying Lemma 5, we obtain

$$(7.7) \quad cx_0 \int_M dV = c \int_M x dV = 0.$$

Since M lies in H^{n+1} , $t > 0$. Therefore the center of mass cannot be the origin of E_1^{n+2} . Thus, $c = \|A_\xi\|^2 - n\alpha^2 = 0$. This implies that M is totally umbilical in H^{n+1} . Therefore, M is a small hypersphere of H^{n+1} (cf. [1, p. 129].) (Q. E. D.)

Remark 4. It is well-known that a small hypersphere of H^{n+1} has constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature.

COROLLARY 4. *The only compact isoparametric hypersurfaces of the hyperbolic space H^{n+1} are small hyperspheres.*

§ 8. Hypersurfaces in de Sitter World.

In this section, we study 2-type hypersurfaces in the de Sitter world.

THEOREM 4. *Let M be a compact space-like hypersurface in the de Sitter space-time $S_1^{n+1} \subset E_1^{n+2}$. Then M has nonzero constant mean curvature and constant scalar curvature in S_1^{n+1} if and only if M is mass-symmetric and of 2-type in the Lorentz-Minkowski world E_1^{n+2} .*

Proof. We recall that the de Sitter space-time S_1^{n+1} is a hypersurface of E_1^{n+2} defined by

$$(8.1) \quad S_1^{n+1} = \{x \in E_1^{n+2} \mid \langle x, x \rangle = 1\}.$$

Let H' be the mean curvature vector of the compact, space-like hypersurface M in S_1^{n+1} . Then either $H'=0$ or H' is time-like. Let ξ be the time-like unit vector in S_1^{n+1} normal to M . We put $H'=\alpha\xi$. Then we have

$$(8.2) \quad H=H'-x, \quad \text{tr } A_\xi=-n\alpha.$$

By applying an argument similar to that given in section 6, we may obtain

$$(8.3) \quad \Delta H=\Delta^{D'} H'+2 \text{tr } A_{D' H'}+\frac{n}{2} \text{grad}\langle H', H'\rangle \\ + (n-\|A_\xi\|^2) H'-(n-n\alpha^2) x.$$

If M is mass-symmetric and of 2-type in E_1^{n+2} , then there exist two constants b and c such that (Proposition 3)

$$(8.4) \quad \Delta H+bH+cx=0.$$

Combining (8.2), (8.3) and (8.4) we find

$$(8.5) \quad \Delta^{D'} H'+2 \text{tr } A_{D' H'}+\frac{n}{2} \text{grad}\langle H', H'\rangle \\ =(\|A_\xi\|^2-n-b) H'+(b-c+n-n\alpha^2) x.$$

Since x is normal to S_1^{n+1} and other terms in (8.5) are tangent to S_1^{n+1} , we obtain $n\alpha^2=b-c+n$. Thus, M has constant mean curvature α in the de Sitter world. Therefore, (7.5) gives

$$(8.6) \quad \|A_\xi\|^2=n+b$$

which is constant. From equation (2.7) of Gauss, we see that the scalar curvature τ of M satisfies

$$(8.7) \quad \tau=\|A_\xi\|^2-n^2\alpha^2+n(n-1).$$

Therefore, M has constant scalar curvature.

Conversely, if M has constant mean curvature in S_1^{n+1} and constant scalar curvature, then (8.3) implies

$$(8.8) \quad \Delta H+bH+cx=0,$$

where $b=\|A_\xi\|^2-n$ and $c=\|A_\xi\|^2-n\alpha^2$ are constant. Therefore, by applying Lemma 5 and (8.8), we see that the center of mass of M in E_1^{n+2} is the origin. Thus, $M\subset S_1^{n+1}$ is mass-symmetric in E_1^{n+2} . Moreover, (8.8) and Proposition 3 show that M is either of 1-type or of 2-type. If M is of 1-type, Lemma 4 gives $nH=-\lambda_p x$. Thus, Lemma 1 implies that M is minimal in the de Sitter world S_1^{n+1} . This is a contradiction. (Q. E. D.)

COROLLARY 5. *Let M be a compact, space-like hypersurface in the de Sitter space-time S_1^{n+1} . If M has nonzero constant mean curvature and constant scalar*

curvature, then

$$(8.9) \quad \alpha^2 = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_p}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_q}{n}\right),$$

$$(8.10) \quad \tau = (n-1)(\lambda_p + \lambda_q) - \lambda_p \lambda_q > 0,$$

$$(8.11) \quad \|A_\xi\|^2 = n - (\lambda_p + \lambda_q).$$

This corollary follows from Lemma 7 and the proof of Theorem 4. From Lemma 6 and Theorem 4 we also have the following.

COROLLARY 6. *Let M be a compact, space-like, isoparametric hypersurface of the de Sitter space-time $S_1^{n+1} \subset E_1^{n+2}$. Then M is mass-symmetric. Moreover, if M is not minimal in S_1^{n+1} , then M is of 2-type in E_1^{n+2} .*

Remark 5. We can prove that if M is a compact, space-like, 2-type hypersurface of S_1^{n+1} , then M is always mass-symmetric in S_1^{n+1} .

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