

## HYPERSPHERE HAVING $\Delta^{II}\mathbf{x} = \mathcal{A}\mathbf{x}$ IN $\mathbb{E}^4$

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### ABSTRACT

We consider hypersphere  $\mathbf{x} = x(u, v, w)$  in the four dimensional Euclidean space. We calculate the Gauss map, and the curvatures of it. Moreover, we compute the second Laplace–Beltrami operator the hypersphere satisfying  $\Delta^{II}\mathbf{x} = \mathcal{A}\mathbf{x}$ , where  $\mathcal{A} \in \text{Mat}(4, 4)$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

With Chen's works [10, 11, 12, 13], the studies of submanifolds of finite type whose immersion into  $\mathbb{E}^m$  (or  $\mathbb{E}_v^m$ ) by using a finite number of eigenfunctions of their Laplacian have been studied for almost a half century.

Takahashi [43] gave a connected Euclidean submanifold is of 1-type, iff it is either minimal in  $\mathbb{E}^m$  or minimal in some hypersphere of  $\mathbb{E}^m$ . 2-type spherical closed submanifolds were given by [7, 8, 11]. Garay studied [25] the extension of Takahashi's theorem in  $\mathbb{E}^m$ . Cheng and Yau [16] introduced the hypersurfaces with constant scalar curvature; Chen and Piccinni [14] focused the submanifolds with finite type Gauss map in  $\mathbb{E}^m$ . Dursun [20] considered the hypersurfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map in  $\mathbb{E}^{n+1}$ .

In  $\mathbb{E}^3$ ; Takahashi [43] proved the minimal surfaces and spheres are the only surfaces satisfying the condition  $\Delta r = \lambda r$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ; Ferrandez, Garay, and Lucas [22] found the surfaces satisfying  $\Delta H = AH$ ,  $A \in \text{Mat}(3, 3)$  are either minimal, or an open piece of sphere or of a right circular cylinder; Choi and Kim [17] classified the minimal helicoid in terms of pointwise 1-type Gauss map of the first kind; Garay [24] studied the class of finite type surfaces of revolution; Dillen, Pas, and Verstraelen [18] obtained the only surfaces satisfying  $\Delta r = Ar + B$ ,  $A \in \text{Mat}(3, 3)$ ,  $B \in \text{Mat}(3, 1)$  are the minimal surfaces, the spheres and the circular cylinders; Stamatakis and Zoubi [42] focused the surfaces of

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revolution satisfying  $\Delta^{III}x = Ax$ ; Senoussi and Bekkar [41] gave the helicoidal surfaces  $M^2$  which are of finite type with respect to the fundamental forms  $I, II$  and  $III$ , i.e., their position vector field  $r(u, v)$  satisfies the condition  $\Delta^J r = Ar, J = I, II, III$ , where  $A \in Mat(3, 3)$ ; Kim, Kim, and Kim [36] introduced the Cheng-Yau operator and Gauss map of surfaces of revolution.

In  $E^4$ ; Moore [39, 40] considered the general rotational surfaces; Hasanis and Vlachos [33] studied the hypersurfaces with harmonic mean curvature vector field; Cheng and Wan [15] gave the complete hypersurfaces with CMC; Kim and Turgay [37] worked the surfaces with  $L_1$ -pointwise 1-type Gauss map; Arslan et al. [2] introduced the Vranceanu surface with pointwise 1-type Gauss map; Arslan et al. [3] worked the generalized rotational surfaces; Aksoyak and Yaylı [34] studied the flat rotational surfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map; Güler, Magid, and Yaylı [29] introduced the helicoidal hypersurfaces; Güler, Hacısalihoğlu, and Kim [28] worked the Gauss map and the third Laplace–Beltrami operator of the rotational hypersurface; Güler and Turgay [30] worked the Cheng-Yau operator and Gauss map of rotational hypersurfaces; Güler [27] obtained the rotational hypersurfaces satisfying  $\Delta^I R = AR$ , where  $A \in Mat(4, 4)$ . He [26] also worked the fundamental form  $IV$  and curvature formulas of the hypersphere.

In Minkowski 4-space  $E_1^4$ ; Ganchev and Milousheva [23] studied the similar surfaces of [39, 40]; Arvanitoyeorgos, Kaimakamais, and Magid [6] indicated that if the mean curvature vector field of  $M_1^3$  satisfies the equation  $\Delta H = \alpha H$  ( $\alpha$  a constant), then  $M_1^3$  has CMC; Arslan and Milousheva [4] introduced the meridian surfaces of elliptic or hyperbolic type with pointwise 1-type Gauss map; Turgay [44] considered the classifications of Lorentzian surfaces with finite type Gauss map; Dursun and Turgay [21] worked the space-like surfaces in with pointwise 1-type Gauss map. Aksoyak and Yaylı [35] gave general rotational surfaces with pointwise 1-type Gauss map in  $E_2^4$ . Bektaş, Canfes, and Dursun [9] obtained the surfaces in a pseudo-sphere with 2-type pseudo-spherical Gauss map in  $E_2^5$ .

Arslan, Sütveren, and Bulca [5] worked the rotational  $\lambda$ -hypersurfaces in Euclidean spaces. Güler, Yaylı, and Hacısalihoğlu [31, 32] introduced the bi-rotational hypersurfaces in  $E^4$  and  $E_2^4$ , respectively.

In this work, we consider the hypersphere in four dimensional Euclidean space  $E^4$ . In Section 2, we give the notions of the four dimensional Euclidean geometry. We consider the curvature formulas of the hypersurface in  $E^4$  in Section 3. In Section 4, we define the hypersphere. Finally, we study the hypersphere having  $\Delta^{II}x = Ax$  for some  $4 \times 4$  matrix  $A$  in  $E^4$  in the last section.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section, giving some of basic facts and definitions, we describe notations used whole paper. Let  $E^m$  denote the Euclidean  $m$ -space with the canonical Euclidean metric tensor given by  $\tilde{g} = \langle , \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m dx_i^2$ , where  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$  is a rectangular coordinate system in  $E^m$ . Consider an  $m$ -dimensional Riemannian submanifold of the space  $E^m$ . We denote the Levi–Civita connections of  $E^m$  and  $M$  by  $\tilde{\nabla}$  and  $\nabla$ , respectively. We shall use letters  $X, Y, Z, W$  (resp.,  $\xi, \eta$ ) to denote vectors fields tangent (resp., normal) to  $M$ . The Gauss and Weingarten formulas are given, respectively, by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y), \tag{2.1}$$

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X \xi = -A_\xi(X) + D_X \xi, \tag{2.2}$$

where  $h, D$  and  $A$  are the second fundamental form, the normal connection and the shape operator of  $M$ , respectively.

For each  $\xi \in T_p^\perp M$ , the shape operator  $A_\xi$  is a symmetric endomorphism of the tangent space  $T_p M$  at  $p \in M$ . The shape operator and the second fundamental form are related by

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

The Gauss and Codazzi equations are given, respectively, by

$$\langle R(X, Y), Z, W \rangle = \langle h(Y, Z), h(X, W) \rangle - \langle h(X, Z), h(Y, W) \rangle, \tag{2.3}$$

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = (\tilde{\nabla}_Y h)(X, Z), \tag{2.4}$$



where  $R, R^D$  are the curvature tensors associated with connections  $\nabla$  and  $D$ , respectively, and  $\bar{\nabla}h$  is defined by

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

## 2.1. Hypersurfaces of Euclidean space

Now, let  $M$  be an oriented hypersurface in the Euclidean space  $E^{n+1}$ ,  $S$  its shape operator (i.e., Weingarten map) and  $x$  its position vector. We consider a local orthonormal frame field  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  of consisting of principal directions of  $M$  corresponding from the principal curvature  $k_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Let the dual basis of this frame field be  $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n\}$ . Then the first structural equation of Cartan is

$$d\theta_i = \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j \wedge \omega_{ij}, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad (2.5)$$

where  $\omega_{ij}$  denotes the connection forms corresponding to the chosen frame field. We denote the Levi-Civita connection of  $M$  and  $E^{n+1}$  by  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$ , respectively. Then, from the Codazzi equation (2.3), we have

$$e_i(k_j) = \omega_{ij}(e_j)(k_i - k_j), \quad (2.6)$$

$$\omega_{ij}(e_l)(k_i - k_j) = \omega_{il}(e_j)(k_i - k_l) \quad (2.7)$$

for distinct  $i, j, l = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

We put  $s_j = \sigma_j(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)$ , where  $\sigma_j$  is the  $j$ -th elementary symmetric function given by

$$\sigma_j(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_j \leq n} a_{i_1} a_{i_2} \dots a_{i_j}.$$

We use following notation

$$r_i^j = \sigma_j(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{i-1}, k_{i+1}, k_{i+2}, \dots, k_n).$$

By the definition, we have  $r_i^0 = 1$  and  $s_{n+1} = s_{n+2} = \dots = 0$ . We call the function  $s_k$  as the  $k$ -th mean curvature of  $M$ . We would like to note that functions  $H = \frac{1}{n}s_1$  and  $K = s_n$  are called the mean curvature and Gauss-Kronecker curvature of  $M$ , respectively. In particular,  $M$  is said to be  $j$ -minimal if  $s_j = 0$  on  $M$ .

In  $E^{n+1}$ , to find the  $i$ -th curvature formulas  $\mathcal{C}_i$  (Curvature formulas sometimes are represented as mean curvature  $H_i$ , and sometimes as Gaussian curvature  $K_i$  by different writers, such as [1] and [38]. We will call it just  $i$ -th curvature  $\mathcal{C}_i$  in this paper.), where  $i = 0, \dots, n$ , firstly, we use the characteristic polynomial of  $S$ :

$$P_S(\lambda) = 0 = \det(S - \lambda I_n) = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k s_k \lambda^{n-k}, \quad (2.8)$$

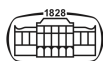
where  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $I_n$  denotes the identity matrix of order  $n$ . Then, we get curvature formulas  $\binom{n}{i} \mathcal{C}_i = s_i$ . That is,  $\binom{n}{0} \mathcal{C}_0 = s_0 = 1$  (by definition),  $\binom{n}{1} \mathcal{C}_1 = s_1, \dots, \binom{n}{n} \mathcal{C}_n = s_n = K$ .

$k$ -th fundamental form of  $M$  is defined by  $I(S^{k-1}(X), Y) = \langle S^{k-1}(X), Y \rangle$ . So, we have

$$\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \binom{n}{i} \mathcal{C}_i I(S^{n-i}(X), Y) = 0. \quad (2.9)$$

In particular, one can get classical result  $\mathcal{C}_0 III - 2\mathcal{C}_1 II + \mathcal{C}_2 I = 0$  of surface theory for  $n = 2$ . See [38] for details.

For a Euclidean submanifold  $x: M \rightarrow E^m$ , the immersion  $(M, x)$  is called *finite type*, if  $x$  can be expressed as a finite sum of eigenfunctions of the Laplacian  $\Delta$  of  $(M, x)$ , i.e.  $x = x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k x_i$ , where  $x_0$  is a constant map,  $x_1, \dots, x_k$  non-constant maps, and  $\Delta x_i = \lambda_i x_i$ ,  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ . If  $\lambda_i$  are different,  $M$  is called  $k$ -type. See [11] for details.



### 2.2. Rotational hypersurfaces

We will obtain a rotational hypersurface (rot-hypface for short) in Euclidean 4-space. Note that the definition of rot-hypfaces in Riemannian space forms were defined in [19]. A rot-hypface  $M \subset \mathbb{E}^{n+1}$  generated by a curve  $C$  around an axis  $\tau$  that does not meet  $C$  is obtained by taking the orbit of  $C$  under those orthogonal transformations of  $\mathbb{E}^{n+1}$  that leaves  $\tau$  pointwise fixed (See [19, Remark 2.3]).

Throughout the paper, we shall identify a vector  $(a, b, c, d)$  with its transpose. Consider the case  $n = 3$ , and let  $C$  be the curve parametrized by

$$\gamma(u) = (f(u), 0, 0, \varphi(u)). \tag{2.10}$$

If  $\tau$  is the  $x_4$ -axis, then an orthogonal transformations of  $\mathbb{E}^{n+1}$  that leaves  $\tau$  pointwise fixed has the form

$$Z(v, w) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos v \cos w & -\sin v & -\cos v \sin w & 0 \\ \sin v \cos w & \cos v & -\sin v \sin w & 0 \\ \sin w & 0 & \cos w & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v, w \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Therefore, the parametrization of the rot-hypface generated by a curve  $C$  around an axis  $\tau$  is given by

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v, w) = Z(v, w)\gamma(u). \tag{2.11}$$

**DEFINITION 2.1.** Let  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}(u, v, w)$  be an isometric immersion from  $M^3 \subset \mathbb{E}^3$  to  $\mathbb{E}^4$ . Triple vector product of  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4), \vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4), \vec{z} = (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4)$  of  $\mathbb{E}^4$  is defined by as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{x} \times \vec{y} \times \vec{z} = & (x_2 y_3 z_4 - x_2 y_4 z_3 - x_3 y_2 z_4 + x_3 y_4 z_2 + x_4 y_2 z_3 - x_4 y_3 z_2, \\ & -x_1 y_3 z_4 + x_1 y_4 z_3 + x_3 y_1 z_4 - x_3 y_4 z_1 - x_4 y_1 z_3 + x_4 y_3 z_1, \\ & +x_1 y_2 z_4 - x_1 y_4 z_2 - x_2 y_1 z_4 + x_2 y_4 z_1 + x_4 y_1 z_2 - x_4 y_2 z_1, \\ & -x_1 y_2 z_3 + x_1 y_3 z_2 + x_2 y_1 z_3 - x_2 y_3 z_1 - x_3 y_1 z_2 + x_3 y_2 z_1). \end{aligned}$$

**DEFINITION 2.2.** For a hypface  $\mathbf{x}$  in 4-space, we have

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} E & F & A \\ F & G & B \\ A & B & C \end{pmatrix}, \quad II = \begin{pmatrix} L & M & P \\ M & N & T \\ P & T & V \end{pmatrix}, \tag{2.12}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \det I &= (EG - F^2)C - EB^2 + 2FAB - GA^2, \\ \det II &= (LN - M^2)V - LT^2 + 2MPT - NP^2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $I$  and  $II$  are the first and the second fundamental form matrices, respectively, where  $E = \mathbf{M}_u \cdot \mathbf{M}_u, F = \mathbf{M}_u \cdot \mathbf{M}_v, G = \mathbf{M}_v \cdot \mathbf{M}_v, A = \mathbf{M}_u \cdot \mathbf{M}_w, B = \mathbf{M}_v \cdot \mathbf{M}_w, C = \mathbf{M}_w \cdot \mathbf{M}_w, L = \mathbf{M}_{uu} \cdot e, M = \mathbf{M}_{uv} \cdot e, N = \mathbf{M}_{vv} \cdot e, P = \mathbf{M}_{uw} \cdot e, T = \mathbf{M}_{vw} \cdot e, V = \mathbf{M}_{ww} \cdot e$ . Here,

$$e = \frac{\mathbf{M}_u \times \mathbf{M}_v \times \mathbf{M}_w}{\|\mathbf{M}_u \times \mathbf{M}_v \times \mathbf{M}_w\|} \tag{2.13}$$

is the unit normal (i.e., the Gauss map) of hypface  $\mathbf{x}$ .

**DEFINITION 2.3.** The product matrices  $I^{-1} \cdot II$  gives the matrix of the shape operator  $S$  of hypface  $\mathbf{x}$  in 4-space as follows

$$S = \frac{1}{\det I} \begin{pmatrix} s_{11} & s_{12} & s_{13} \\ s_{21} & s_{22} & s_{23} \\ s_{31} & s_{32} & s_{33} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{2.14}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \det I &= (EG - F^2)C - A^2G + 2ABF - B^2E, \\ s_{11} &= ABM - CFM - AGP + BFP + CGL - B^2L, \\ s_{12} &= ABN - CFN - AGT + BFT + CGM - B^2M, \\ s_{13} &= ABT - CFT - AGV + BFV + CGP - B^2P, \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
s_{21} &= ABL - CFL + AFP - BPE + CME - A^2M, \\
s_{22} &= ABM - CFM + AFT - BTE + CNE - A^2N, \\
s_{23} &= ABP - CFP + AFV - BVE + CTE - A^2T, \\
s_{31} &= -AGL + BFL + AFM - BME + GPE - F^2P, \\
s_{32} &= -AGM + BFM + AFN - BNE + GTE - F^2T, \\
s_{33} &= -AGP + BFP + AFT - BTE + GVE - F^2V.
\end{aligned}$$

See [28, 29, 30] for details.

### 3. $i$ -TH CURVATURES

To compute the  $i$ -th mean curvature formula  $\mathfrak{C}_i$ , where  $i = 0, \dots, 3$ , we use characteristic polynomial  $P_S(\lambda) = a\lambda^3 + b\lambda^2 + c\lambda + d = 0$ :

$$P_S(\lambda) = \det(S - \lambda I_3) = 0.$$

Then, obtain  $\mathfrak{C}_0 = 1$  (by definition),  $\binom{3}{1}\mathfrak{C}_1 = \binom{3}{1}H = -\frac{b}{a}$ ,  $\binom{3}{2}\mathfrak{C}_2 = \frac{c}{a}$ ,  $\binom{3}{3}\mathfrak{C}_3 = K = -\frac{d}{a}$ , and  $I_3$  is the identity matrix of order 3.

Therefore, we find  $i$ -th curvature formulas depend on the coefficients of the fundamental forms  $I$  and  $II$  in 4-space. See [26] for details.

**THEOREM 3.1.** A hypface  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $E^4$  has the following curvature formulas,  $\mathfrak{C}_0 = 1$  (by definition),

$$\mathfrak{C}_1 = \frac{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (EN + GL - 2FM)C + (EG - F^2)V - LB^2 - NA^2 \\ -2(APG - BPF - ATF + BTE - ABM) \end{array} \right\}}{3[(EG - F^2)C - EB^2 + 2FAB - GA^2]}, \quad (3.1)$$

$$\mathfrak{C}_2 = \frac{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (EN + GL - 2FM)V + (LN - M^2)C - ET^2 - GP^2 \\ -2(APN - BPM - ATM + BTL - PTF) \end{array} \right\}}{3[(EG - F^2)C - EB^2 + 2FAB - GA^2]}, \quad (3.2)$$

$$\mathfrak{C}_3 = \frac{(LN - M^2)V - LT^2 + 2MPT - NP^2}{(EG - F^2)C - EB^2 + 2FAB - GA^2}. \quad (3.3)$$

**Proof.** Solving  $\det(S - \lambda I_3) = 0$  with some algebraic computations, we obtain coefficients  $a, b, c, d$  of polynomial  $P_S(\lambda)$ .  $\square$

A hypersurface  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $E^4$  is  $\mathfrak{C}_i$ -minimal, when  $\mathfrak{C}_i = 0$  identically on  $\mathbf{x}$ .

### 4. HYPERSPHERE

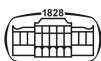
In this section, we define the hypersphere, then find its differential geometric properties in  $E^4$ .

For an open interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ , let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow \Pi$  be a curve in a plane  $\Pi$  in  $E^4$ , and let  $\ell$  be a straight line in  $\Pi$ .

**DEFINITION 4.1.** A rotational hypface in  $E^4$  is called hypersphere, when a curve

$$\gamma(u) = (r \cos u, 0, 0, r \sin u)$$

rotates around a line  $\ell = (0, 0, 0, 1)$  (these are called the *profile curve* and the *axis*, respectively).



So, the hypersphere spanned by the vector  $\ell$ , is given by as follows

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v, w) = Z(v, w)\gamma(u)^t \tag{4.1}$$

in  $E^4$ , where  $r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $0 \leq u, v, w < 2\pi$ . Therefore, the more clear form of (4.1) is given by as follows

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v, w) = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos u \cos v \cos w \\ r \sin u \cos v \cos w \\ r \sin v \cos w \\ r \sin w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \\ \mathbf{x}_3 \\ \mathbf{x}_4 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{4.2}$$

When  $v = 0$ , we have the sphere in  $E^4$ .

Next, we obtain the curvatures and the Gaussian curvature of the hypersphere (4.2).

We get the following first derivatives of (4.2) with respect to  $u, v, w$ , respectively,

$$\mathbf{x}_u = \begin{pmatrix} -r \sin u \cos v \cos w \\ r \cos u \cos v \cos w \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_v = \begin{pmatrix} -r \cos u \sin v \cos w \\ -r \sin u \sin v \cos w \\ r \cos v \cos w \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$\mathbf{x}_w = \begin{pmatrix} -r \cos u \sin v \sin w \\ -r \sin u \sin v \sin w \\ -r \cos v \sin w \\ r \cos w \end{pmatrix}.$$

The first quantities of (4.2) are given by as follows

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} r^2 \cos^2 v \cos^2 w & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 \cos^2 w & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{4.3}$$

We have  $\det I = r^6 \cos^2 v \cos^4 w$ . By using (2.13), we get the Gauss map of the hypersphere (4.2) as follows

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} \cos u \cos v \cos w \\ \sin u \cos v \cos w \\ \sin v \cos w \\ \sin w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \\ e_4 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{4.4}$$

By using the second derivatives of (4.2) with respect to  $u, v, w$ , and the Gauss map (4.4) of the hypersphere (4.2), we have the second quantities as follows

$$II = \begin{pmatrix} -r \cos^2 v \cos^2 w & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -r \cos^2 w & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -r \end{pmatrix}. \tag{4.5}$$

So, we get  $\det II = -r^3 \cos^2 v \cos^4 w$ . We calculate the shape operator matrix of the hypersphere (4.2), using (2.14), as follows

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{r} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{r} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{r} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally, using (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3), with (4.3), (4.5), respectively, we find the curvatures of the hypersphere (4.2) as follows.

**COROLLARY 4.2.** Let  $\mathbf{x} : M^3 \rightarrow E^4$  be an immersion given by (4.2). Then,  $M^3$  has the following constant  $i$ th-curvatures

$$\mathcal{C}_1 = H = -\frac{1}{r},$$

$$\mathcal{C}_2 = \frac{1}{r^2},$$

$$\mathcal{C}_3 = K = -\frac{1}{r^3}.$$



## 5. HYPERSPHERE SATISFYING $\Delta^{II}X = \mathcal{A}X$

In this section, we give the second Laplace–Beltrami operator of a smooth function, then we calculate it taking the hypersphere (4.2).

The inverse of the matrix

$$(h_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

is as follows

$$(h^{ij}) = \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} h_{22}h_{33} - h_{23}h_{32} & -(h_{12}h_{33} - h_{13}h_{32}) & h_{12}h_{23} - h_{13}h_{22} \\ -(h_{21}h_{33} - h_{31}h_{23}) & h_{11}h_{33} - h_{13}h_{31} & -(h_{11}h_{23} - h_{21}h_{13}) \\ h_{21}h_{32} - h_{22}h_{31} & -(h_{11}h_{32} - h_{12}h_{31}) & h_{11}h_{22} - h_{12}h_{21} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} h &= \det(h_{ij}) \\ &= h_{11}h_{22}h_{33} - h_{11}h_{23}h_{32} + h_{12}h_{31}h_{23} - h_{12}h_{21}h_{33} + h_{21}h_{13}h_{32} - h_{13}h_{22}h_{31}. \end{aligned}$$

By considering above matrices, and determinant, we give the following.

**DEFINITION 5.1.** The second Laplace–Beltrami operator of a smooth function  $\phi = \phi(x^1, x^2, x^3)|_{\mathbf{D}}$  ( $\mathbf{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ ) of class  $C^3$  with respect to the second fundamental form of a hypersurface  $\mathbf{M}$  is the operator  $\Delta^{II}$  which is defined by as follows

$$\Delta^{II}\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{h}} \sum_{i,j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \left( \sqrt{hh^{ij}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^j} \right). \quad (5.1)$$

where  $(h^{ij}) = (h_{kl})^{-1}$  and  $h = \det(h_{ij})$ .

Clearly, we can write (5.1) as follows

$$\Delta^{II}\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{h}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \left( \sqrt{hh^{11}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \left( \sqrt{hh^{12}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} \left( \sqrt{hh^{13}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^3} \right) \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \left( \sqrt{hh^{21}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \left( \sqrt{hh^{22}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \left( \sqrt{hh^{23}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^3} \right) \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \left( \sqrt{hh^{31}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^1} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \left( \sqrt{hh^{32}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \left( \sqrt{hh^{33}} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^3} \right) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5.2)$$

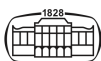
So, we get the inverse of (4.3)

$$II^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det II} \begin{pmatrix} NV - T^2 & PT - MV & MT - NP \\ PT - MV & LV - P^2 & MP - LT \\ MT - NP & MP - LT & LN - M^2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\det II = (LN - M^2)V - P^2N + 2PTM - T^2L$ . Hence, more clear notation of (5.2) for a smooth function  $\phi = \phi(u, v, w)$  is as follows

$$\Delta^{II}\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \left( \frac{(NV - T^2)\phi_u + (PT - MV)\phi_v + (MT - NP)\phi_w}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \right) \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left( \frac{(PT - MV)\phi_u + (LV - P^2)\phi_v + (MP - LT)\phi_w}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \right) \\ + \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left( \frac{(MT - NP)\phi_u + (MP - LT)\phi_v + (LN - M^2)\phi_w}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \right) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5.3)$$

We continue our calculations to find the second Laplace–Beltrami operator  $\Delta^{II}\mathbf{x}$  of the hypersphere  $\mathbf{x}$  using (4.2) and (5.3).



The second Laplace–Beltrami operator of the hypersphere (4.2) is given by

$$\Delta^I \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \mathcal{U} + \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \mathcal{V} + \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \mathcal{W} \right), \tag{5.4}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U} &= \frac{(NV - T^2) \mathbf{x}_u + (PT - MV) \mathbf{x}_v + (MT - NP) \mathbf{x}_w}{\sqrt{|\det II|}}, \\ \mathcal{V} &= \frac{(PT - MV) \mathbf{x}_u + (LV - P^2) \mathbf{x}_v + (MP - LT) \mathbf{x}_w}{\sqrt{|\det II|}}, \\ \mathcal{W} &= \frac{(MT - NP) \mathbf{x}_u + (MP - LT) \mathbf{x}_v + (LN - M^2) \mathbf{x}_w}{\sqrt{|\det II|}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $M = P = T = 0$ . Hence, we briefly can write  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $\mathcal{V}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}$ , as follows

$$\mathcal{U} = \frac{NV}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \mathbf{x}_u, \quad \mathcal{V} = \frac{LV}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \mathbf{x}_v, \quad \mathcal{W} = \frac{LN}{\sqrt{|\det II|}} \mathbf{x}_w.$$

Differentiating  $\mathcal{U}$ ,  $\mathcal{V}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}$ , with respect to  $u$ ,  $v$ ,  $w$ , respectively, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \mathcal{U} &= \begin{pmatrix} -r^{3/2} \cos u \cos w \\ -r^{3/2} \sin u \cos w \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \mathcal{V} &= \begin{pmatrix} r^{3/2} (\cos^2 v - \sin^2 v) \cos u \cos w \\ r^{3/2} \sin u (\cos^2 v - \sin^2 v) \cos w \\ 2r^{3/2} \sin v \cos v \cos w \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \mathcal{W} &= r^{3/2} (-2 \sin w \cos w) \begin{pmatrix} -\cos u \cos^2 v \sin w \\ -\sin u \cos^2 v \sin w \\ -\sin v \cos v \sin w \\ \cos v \cos w \end{pmatrix} + r^{3/2} \cos^2 w \begin{pmatrix} -\cos u \cos^2 v \cos w \\ -\sin u \cos^2 v \cos w \\ -\sin v \cos v \cos w \\ -\cos v \sin w \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, substituting  $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \mathcal{U}$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \mathcal{V}$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial w} \mathcal{W}$  into (5.4), we get

$$\Delta^I \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta^I \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \Delta^I \mathbf{x}_2 \\ \Delta^I \mathbf{x}_3 \\ \Delta^I \mathbf{x}_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{r} \cos u \cos v \cos w \\ -\frac{3}{r} \sin u \cos v \cos w \\ -\frac{3}{r} \sin v \cos w \\ -\frac{3}{r} \sin w \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{3}{r} \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \\ e_4 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $e_i$  are the elements of the Gauss map (4.4).

That is,

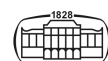
$$\Delta^I \mathbf{x}_i = -\frac{3}{r} e_i.$$

Therefore, we have some results between the second Laplace–Beltrami operator and the curvatures of the hypersphere:

**COROLLARY 5.2.** Let  $\mathbf{x} : M^3 \rightarrow E^4$  be an immersion given by (4.2). Then  $\mathbf{x}$  has

$$\Delta^I \mathbf{x} = 3r \mathfrak{C}_1 e = -3r^2 \mathfrak{C}_2 e = 3r^3 \mathfrak{C}_3 e,$$

where  $\mathfrak{C}_{i=1,2,3}$ , and  $e$  are the  $i$ th-curvature and the Gauss map, respectively, of the hypersphere  $\mathbf{x}$ .





**COROLLARY 5.3.** Let  $x : M^3 \rightarrow E^4$  be an immersion given by (4.2). Then, the hypersphere  $x$  has

$$\Delta^{II} x = \mathcal{A}x,$$

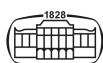
where

$$\mathcal{A} = 3\mathcal{C}_1 I_4 = -3(\mathcal{C}_2)^{1/2} I_4 = 3(\mathcal{C}_3)^{1/3} I_4,$$

and  $\mathcal{A} \in Mat(4, 4)$ ,  $I_4$  is the identity matrix of order 4.

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