

## HYPERSURFACES OF A SPHERE WITH 3-TYPE QUADRIC REPRESENTATION

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### Abstract

We study hypersurfaces of a sphere with 3-type quadric representation. Two theorems are obtained, and some eigenvalue inequalities are proved.

### 0. Introduction

Let  $\Phi: M^n \rightarrow E^m$  be an isometric immersion of an  $n$ -dimensional compact Riemannian manifold into the Euclidean space,  $\Delta$  and  $\text{spec}(M^n) = \{0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots \nearrow +\infty\}$  be the Laplacian and the spectrum of  $M^n$ , respectively. Then we have the decomposition  $\Phi = \sum_{u \geq 0} \Phi_u$ ,  $u \in N$ , where  $\Phi_u: M^n \rightarrow E^m$  is a differentiable mapping such that  $\Delta \Phi_u = \lambda_u \Phi_u$ , moreover  $\Phi_0$  is a constant mapping (it is the center of mass of  $M^n$ ).  $M^n$  is said to be of finite type if the decomposition consists of only a finite number of non-zero terms, and of  $k$ -type if there are exactly  $k$  non-zero  $\Phi_u$ 's ( $\Phi_{u_1}, \dots, \Phi_{u_k}$ ) in the decomposition. In the latter case, we also call the immersion  $\Phi$  to be of  $k$ -type.

Finite type submanifolds of a hypersphere  $S^{m-1} \subset R^m$  have been studied by many authors. For example, see [5], [2], [9], [3]. In [5] mass-symmetric 2-type hypersurfaces of  $S^{m-1}$  were characterized. In [2] it was proved that a compact 2-type hypersurface of  $S^{m-1}$  is mass-symmetric if and only if it has constant mean curvature. In [9] Nagatomo showed that many 2-type hypersurfaces of a hypersphere are mass-symmetric and that there is no compact hypersurface of constant mean curvature in a hypersphere which is of 3-type. In particular, Barros and Garay [3] proved that the Riemannian product of two plane circles of different and suitable radii is the only 2-type surfaces in  $S^3 \subset R^4$ .

On the other hand, let  $\Psi: M^n \rightarrow S^{n+p}(1)$  be a minimal isometric immersion of an  $n$ -dimensional compact Riemannian manifold into the unit sphere,  $SM(n+p+1) = \{P \in gl(n+p+1, R) \mid P^t = P\}$ , and  $f: S^{n+p}(1) \rightarrow SM(n+p+1)$  be the order 2 immersion of  $S^{n+p}(1)$ . We consider the associated isometric immersion  $\Phi = f \circ \Psi: M^n \rightarrow SM(n+p+1)$ , which is called the quadric representation of  $M^n$ . In [8], Ros characterized minimal submanifolds in  $S^{n+p}(1)$  with 2-type quadric representation. Later, Lu [7] proved that the Clifford torus  $M_{m,m}$  are the only

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