

### 97. On the Generalized Loxodromes in the Conformally Connected Manifold.

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In a previous paper<sup>1)</sup>, we have defined a conformal arc length  $\sigma$  on the curves in the conformally connected manifold and have proved the Frenet formulae

$$(1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(0)} = A_{(1)}, \\ \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(1)} = \lambda_{(0)} A_{(0)} + A_{(2)}, \\ \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(2)} = \lambda_{(1)} A_{(1)} + A_{(3)}, \\ \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(3)} = A_{(0)} + \lambda_{(4)}^4 A_{(4)}, \\ \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(4)} = -\lambda_{(3)}^4 A_{(3)} + \lambda_{(5)}^5 A_{(5)}, \\ \dots\dots\dots \\ \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(\infty)} = -\lambda_{(n)}^\infty A_{(n)}. \end{array} \right.$$

The conformal arc length does not exist for the generalized circles.

The most simple curves having the conformal arc length are the ones for which we have

$$(2) \quad \lambda = \lambda^4 = \lambda^5 = \dots = \lambda^n = \lambda^\infty = 0.$$

We shall, first, consider the properties of these curves.

§ 1. Substituting the equations (2) in the Frenet formulae (1), we have

$$(3) \quad \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(0)} = A_{(1)}, \quad \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(1)} = A_{(2)}, \quad \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(2)} = A_{(3)}, \quad \frac{d}{d\sigma} A_{(3)} = A_{(0)},$$

which shows that, if we develop the curve on the tangent conformal space at  $A_{(0)}$ , we shall obtain a curve lying always on a two-dimensional sphere determined by  $A_{(0)}$ ,  $A_{(1)}$ ,  $A_{(2)}$  and  $A_{(3)}$ .

Considering always the development of the curve on the tangent conformal space at a fixed point of the conformally connected manifold, we can treat such curves as if they were on a two-dimensional flat conformal space.

1) K. Yano and Y. Mutô: On the conformal arc length, Proc. **17** (1941), 318-322.