

second series is identically zero, so the inversion formula does not give an actual solution. Under these circumstances we are forced to leave the question of the completeness of S_1+1 in $C[0, 1]$ unanswered.*

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GROUPS OF MOTIONS IN CONFORMALLY FLAT SPACES

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1. *Introduction.* In this paper we consider the problem of determining the conditions which a conformally flat space must satisfy in order that it may admit a group of motions. These conditions are expressed in Theorem 1. Conformally flat spaces admitting simply transitive groups of motions are considered in the last section. All summations are from 1 through n unless otherwise indicated.

2. *Killing's Equations.* The equations for determining the possible existence of groups of motions in a metric space are known as Killing's equations and are given by†

$$(1) \quad \xi^k \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^k} + g_{ik} \frac{\partial \xi^k}{\partial x^j} + g_{jk} \frac{\partial \xi^k}{\partial x^i} = 0.$$

If V_n is conformally flat, there exists a coordinate system in which $g_{ij} = e_i \delta_j^i h^2$, where $e_i = \pm 1$. In this coordinate system (1) reduce to

$$(2) \quad e_i \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^j} + e_j \frac{\partial \xi^j}{\partial x^i} = 0, \quad (i \neq j, i, j \text{ not summed}),$$

$$(3) \quad \xi^k \frac{\partial H}{\partial x^k} + \frac{\partial \xi^i}{\partial x^i} = 0, \quad (i \text{ not summed, } H = \log h).$$

* The completeness of $1+S(\beta+1, \beta, \lambda)$ in $C[0, 1]$ is proved for $-1 < \beta \leq 2$ in a paper to appear in the *Annals of Mathematics*.

† L. P. Eisenhart, *Riemannian Geometry*, p. 234.