

On certain infinitesimal conformal transformations of contact metric spaces

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0. Introduction

In the previous paper [3], we have considered an infinitesimal transformation which leaves φ_j^i invariant in a contact metric space and obtained the following

THEOREM 0.1. *In a contact metric space, an infinitesimal transformation which leaves φ_j^i invariant satisfies*

$$(0.1) \quad \mathcal{L}_v g_{ji} = \rho(g_{ji} + \eta_j \eta_i)$$

$$(0.2) \quad \mathcal{L}_v \eta_i = \rho \eta_i$$

where ρ is a constant. Conversely if v^i satisfies (0.1) and (0.2), then v^i leaves φ_j^i invariant and consequently ρ is a constant.

The condition (0.1) is a formal generalization of an infinitesimal conformal transformation in a Riemannian space. Therefore it is natural that we consider a infinitesimal transformation satisfying (0.1) only where ρ is a scalar function. We shall call such a transformation an infinitesimal η -conformal transformation. In this paper we shall discuss such a transformation in a contact, a K-contact or a normal contact metric space.

1. Preliminaries

An almost contact metric space means an odd dimensional ($n=2m+1$) differentiable manifold with structure tensors φ_j^i , ξ^i , η_i and g_{ji} satisfying the following relations

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} \xi^i \eta_i = 1, & \text{rank}(\varphi_j^i) = n-1, & \varphi_j^i \eta_i = 0, & \varphi_j^i \xi^j = 0, \\ \varphi_j^r \varphi_r^i = -\delta_j^i + \xi^i \eta_j, & g_{ji} \xi^j = \eta_i, & g_{ji} \varphi_k^j \varphi_h^i = g_{kh} - \eta_h \eta_k. \end{cases}$$

[6.7]. On the other hand if the condition

$$(1.2) \quad 2g_{ir} \varphi_j^r = 2\varphi_{ji} = \partial_j \eta_i - \partial_i \eta_j$$

hold in an almost contact metric space, the space is called a contact metric space. A contact metric space with a Killing vector ξ^i is called a K-contact metric space. By a normal contact metric space we mean a contact metric space satisfying