

**PARTIALLY CONFORMAL TRANSFORMATIONS WITH RESPECT TO
($m-1$)-DIMENSIONAL DISTRIBUTIONS OF m -DIMENSIONAL
RIEMANNIAN MANIFOLDS, II**

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This is part II of my preceding paper [*] and contains chapter III. As an application of Lemma 15.10, we consider a regular, compact K -contact Riemannian manifold M ($\dim M > 3$) and its fibering $M \rightarrow M/\zeta$ ([21]), where ζ is an associated vector field with a given contact form. The distribution D is, in this case, an orthogonal distribution to ζ with respect to an associated Riemannian metric. Let u be an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation on M , then it induces an infinitesimal conformal transformation u on M/ζ by the Lemma, and it is known that any infinitesimal conformal transformation on a compact almost Kaehlerian manifold is a Killing vector field ([25], [26]). Thus we see that u is an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -isometry.

In §17, generalizing Lemma 15.10, we show the invariance of the coefficient α for g of φ^*g on each trajectory of ζ . As a continuation of §15, we study the structure of \mathfrak{P}^{sc} in §18. In §§20~23, we discuss the properties of $(m-1)$ -conformal transformations or infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -conformal transformations in analogous way to the usual conformal transformations in Riemannian geometry.

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Chapter III

17. A property of α . Every $u \in \mathfrak{P}^s$ generates a local 1-parameter group φ_t of local $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformations. In §15 by using Lemma 15.10 we have seen that the coefficient α_t for g of φ_t^*g is constant on each trajectory of ζ , if ζ_ν is a Killing vector field. Generally we prove

LEMMA 17.1. *If ζ_ν and ξ_ν are Killing vector fields on each U and V and φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation of M to N , then $\zeta\alpha=0$ holds.*

PROOF. Taking the Lie derivatives with respect to ζ of the equation $\varphi^*h = \alpha g + \beta w \otimes w$, we have

$$L(\zeta)\varphi^*h = (\zeta\alpha)g + (\zeta\beta)w \otimes w.$$

As $L(\zeta)\varphi^*h = \varphi^*(L(\varphi\zeta)h)$ and $\varphi\zeta = \mu\xi$, we have

$$\gamma\varphi^*(d\mu) \otimes w + \gamma w \otimes \varphi^*(d\mu) = (\zeta\alpha)g + (\zeta\beta)w \otimes w.$$

Therefore $\zeta\alpha=0$ holds.

By this Lemma, we get

PROPOSITION 17.2. *If ${}^e\zeta$ is complete, regular and ζ_ν is a Killing vector field for each U , then every $\varphi \in \Pi^s$ on M induces a conformal transformation on M/ζ .*

18. The structure of Lie algebra \mathfrak{P}^{sc} . In §15 we proved that the subgroup Π^{sc} is a Lie transformation group on a manifold on which ${}^e\zeta$ is complete, regular and ζ_ν is a Killing vector field for each U . In the proof, we made use of the fact that any infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation on M induces an infinitesimal conformal transformation on M/ζ . In this section we consider the converse. Let a vector field X^* on M be the lift of a vector field X on M/ζ with respect to w , i.e. it is characterized by $\pi X^* = X$ and $w(X^*) = 0$. For any vector fields X and Y on M/ζ , the relations

$$(18.1) \quad [X^*, \zeta] = 0,$$

$$(18.2) \quad [X^*, Y^*] = [X, Y]^* - d\omega(X^*, Y^*) \cdot \zeta$$

hold good. As in §15 h denotes a Riemannian metric on M/ζ which satisfies $g = \pi^*h + \omega \otimes \omega$.

LEMMA 18.1. *Suppose that ${}^e\zeta$ is complete, regular and ζ_v is a Killing vector field on each U . If X is an infinitesimal conformal transformation such that $L(X)h = Ah$, A denoting a scalar function on M/ζ , then X^* is an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -conformal transformation such that*

$$(18.3) \quad L(X^*)g = ag + \omega \otimes i(X^*)d\omega + i(X^*)d\omega \otimes \omega + (-a)\omega \otimes \omega,$$

where $a = A \cdot \pi$ is a scalar function on M .

PROOF. Let Y^*, Z^* be lifts of vector fields Y, Z on M/ζ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (L(X^*)g)(Y^*, Z^*) &= X^* \cdot g(Y^*, Z^*) - g([X^*, Y^*], Z^*) - g(Y^*, [X^*, Z^*]) \\ &= (L(X)h)(Y, Z) \cdot \pi \\ &= ((A \cdot \pi)g)(Y^*, Z^*). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} (L(X^*)g)(Y^*, \zeta) &= -g(-d\omega(X^*, Y^*) \zeta, \zeta) \\ &= (i(X^*)d\omega)(Y^*), \\ (L(X^*)g)(\zeta, \zeta) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

These three equations imply (18.3), since $i(\zeta)d\omega = 0$.

LEMMA 18.2. *In Lemma 18.1, X^* is special if and only if $L(X^*)\omega = 0$.*

PROOF. By (18.3) X^* is special if and only if $i(X^*)d\omega$ is proportional to ω , and this is equivalent to $i(X^*)d\omega = 0$ by virtue of $i(\zeta)d\omega = 0$.

We can prove that if M admits a vector field u such that $\omega_v(u)$ is constant in each U and $L(u)\omega = c\omega$ for a scalar function c , then $c = 0$. So we consider the case where $\omega_v(u)$ is not constant, let ${}^e f = \{f_v\}$ be a family of scalar functions f_v such that ${}^e f \cdot \zeta$ is a vector field. Then

$$(18.4) \quad L(f\zeta)g = \omega \otimes df + df \otimes \omega.$$

Thus if X is an infinitesimal conformal transformation on M/ζ , then $u = X^* + f\zeta$ is an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -conformal transformation :

$$(18.5) \quad L(u)g = ag + w \otimes \{i(X^*)dw + df - \zeta f \cdot w\} \\ + \{i(X^*)dw + df - \zeta f \cdot w\} \otimes w + (2\zeta f - a)w \otimes w.$$

And we have

$$(18.6) \quad L(u)w = i(X^*)dw + df.$$

Thus, in order that a vector field $X^* + f\zeta$ belongs to \mathfrak{P}^{sc} , it is necessary and sufficient that f is a solution of the equation

$$(18.7) \quad i(X^*)dw + df - cw = 0$$

for some constant c . Suppose that D is completely integrable and $M \rightarrow M/\zeta$ has a global section S which is an integral submanifold of D . As in this case the equation (18.7) is equivalent to $\zeta f = c$ and $Y^*f = 0$ for any vector field Y on M/ζ , we can solve f by giving the initial condition (constants) on S . Notice here that the complete integrability of D is equivalent to the fact that ζ is a parallel field.

From Lemmas 18.1 and 18.2 the next Proposition follows.

PROPOSITION 18.3. *If ${}^e\zeta$ is parallel, regular and complete, then for any infinitesimal conformal transformation X on M/ζ , X^* is an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation such that $L(X^*)w = 0$.*

Let \mathfrak{C} be a Lie algebra of all infinitesimal conformal transformations on M/ζ and \mathfrak{C}^* be one composed of lifts of all elements of \mathfrak{C} , and we get

THEOREM 18.4. *Assume that ${}^e\zeta$ is parallel, regular and complete, then we have the direct decomposition*

$$\mathfrak{P}^{sc} \cong \mathfrak{C}^* + \mathfrak{R},$$

where \mathfrak{R} is one of the followings :

- (a) *If ${}^e\zeta$ does not define a vector field on M , $\mathfrak{R} = \{0\}$, or $\{r^e f^e \zeta; r \in R\}$.*
- (b) *If ${}^e\zeta$ defines a vector field ζ on M , $\mathfrak{R} = \{r\zeta; r \in R\}$ or $\{r\zeta + sf\zeta; r, s \in R\}$.*

In (a) or (b), ${}^e f$ is a family of certain functions f_ν on U , and f is a certain function on M .

PROOF. This decomposition is exactly given by $u = (\pi u)^* + w(u) \cdot \zeta$ for $u \in \mathfrak{P}^s$, where we have $(\pi u)^* \in \mathfrak{G}^*$ by Proposition 18.3 and $w(u) \cdot \zeta$ belongs to some \mathfrak{R} .

REMARK. Under the same conditions as in Theorem 18.4, we have the decomposition $\mathfrak{P}^s \approx \mathfrak{G}^* + \mathfrak{R}$, where \mathfrak{R} is spanned by vectors ${}^e f^e \zeta$ for any family $\{f_\nu\}$ of functions on U which satisfy $Y^* f_\nu = 0$ for any vector field Y on M/ζ . \mathfrak{R} is generally infinite dimensional.

19. Volume preserving $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformations. Assume that a compact M has a point x such that the integral curve i.e. leaf $l(x)$ of ζ passing through x is closed, and let φ be an $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation. Then we have $\varphi \zeta = \mu \zeta$, $\mu^2 \cdot \varphi = \alpha + \beta$. We assume that $\alpha + \beta$ is constant and smaller than 1, then the length of $\varphi^k l(x)$ approaches to 0 as $k \rightarrow \infty$. As M is compact this can not happen, so $\alpha + \beta$ must be 1. By virtue of (10.1) and this, we can conclude the following

THEOREM 19.1. *Let φ be an $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation which preserves the volume element of a compact M . If $\alpha + \beta$ is constant and M has a closed leaf of ${}^e \zeta$, then φ is an isometry.*

Concerning an infinitesimal transformation we have

THEOREM 19.2. *Let u be an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation which preserves the volume element of a compact M with properties (i) and (ii). If c is constant, then u is a Killing vector field.*

PROOF. We have $2c = a + b = 0$ (Theorem 16.2) and as u is volume preserving, $am + b = 0$ holds, and so u is a Killing vector field.

LEMMA 19.3. *Suppose that ζ_ν is a Killing vector field for each U and M has a closed leaf of ${}^e \zeta$. If u satisfies $L(u)\zeta = -c\zeta$ for some constant c , then $c = 0$.*

THEOREM 19.4. *Suppose that ζ_ν is a Killing vector field for each U and M has a closed leaf of ${}^e \zeta$. If an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation preserves the volume element and c is constant, then u is a Killing vector field.*

PROOFS OF LEMMA 19.3 AND THEOREM 19.4. Let l be a closed leaf of ζ . We take a tubular neighborhood W of l as in §15. Then, under the assumption that ζ_ν is a Killing vector field, each leaf of ζ contained in W has the same length as l . On the other hand, as c is constant, the function $\mu_t^2 = (\alpha_t + \beta_t) \cdot \varphi_t^{-1}$ in $\varphi_t \zeta = \mu_t \zeta$ is also constant for each small t . And so μ_t^2 must be 1, namely $c=0$ holds, combining this with $am+b=0$ we have $a=b=0$.

20. A characterization of infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformations on compact Riemannian manifolds. Analogously to the case of infinitesimal conformal transformations (see p. 128, [7]), we construct an integral formula and we get necessary and sufficient conditions for an infinitesimal transformation to define an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation on a compact Riemannian manifold. By the same letter u we also denote the covariant vector field $u_i = g_{ij}u^j$. Now we define a $(0, 2)$ -tensor field $S = S(u)$ as follows :

$$(20.1) \quad S_{ij} = u_{i,j} + u_{j,i} - m^{-1}(2u^r{}_{,r} - b)g_{ij} - bw_iw_j,$$

where we have put

$$b = b(u) = 2(m-1)^{-1}(m u_{i,j} w^i w^j - u^r{}_{,r}).$$

First we have

$$(20.2) \quad S_{ij}g^{ij} = 0, \quad S_{ij}w^i w^j = 0.$$

Differentiating (20.1) covariantly, we get

$$(20.3) \quad S_{ij}{}^t = u_{j,i}{}^t + R_{ij}u^t + (1-2m^{-1})u^t{}_{,ij} + m^{-1}b_j - (bw^t w_j)_i,$$

where we used the Ricci identity: $u^t{}_{,ji} - u^t{}_{,ij} = R_{ij}u^t$. Let Q be the operator $Q : u_i \rightarrow 2R_{ij}u^j$, then we have

$$(20.4) \quad S_{ij}{}^t = [Qu - \Delta u - (1-2m^{-1})d\delta u + m^{-1}db]_j - (bw^t w_j)_i,$$

where $\Delta = d\delta + \delta d$. As S_{ij} is a symmetric tensor, we obtain

$$(20.5) \quad (S_{ij}u^j)^t = S_{ij}{}^t u^j + 2^{-1}S_{ij}(u^{t,j} + u^{j,t}).$$

By (20.2), the second term of the right hand side is equal to the inner product of S , i.e. $2^{-1}(S_{ij}S^{ij})$. Now we get

LEMMA 20.1. *Let M be a compact orientable Riemannian manifold, then we have the following integral formula*

$$\begin{aligned} \langle S(u), S(u) \rangle = \langle u, \Delta u - Qu + (1-2m^{-1})d\delta u - m^{-1}db \\ + \zeta b \cdot w - b\delta w \cdot w + b\nabla_{\zeta}w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for any 1-form u on M .

PROPOSITION 20.2. *In order that a vector field u defines an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation on a compact M , it is necessary and sufficient that u is a solution of the equation*

$$(20.6) \quad \Delta u - Qu + (1-2m^{-1})d\delta u - m^{-1}db + \zeta b \cdot w - b\delta w \cdot w + b\nabla_{\zeta}w = 0$$

where $b = 2(m-1)^{-1}(m(\nabla_{\zeta}u)(\zeta) + \delta u)$.

PROOF. We may assume that M is oriented, because otherwise we can consider the double covering manifold. If u defines an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation on M , we have (20.6) by (20.4). Conversely if u satisfies (20.6), by Lemma 20.1 $S=0$ holds. Equivalently u is an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation.

PROPOSITION 20.3. *Let M be a compact Riemannian manifold with properties (i) and (ii), and suppose that u satisfies $L(u)w_{\sigma} = cw_{\sigma}$ for some constant c , then u is an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation if and only if*

$$(20.7) \quad \Delta u - Qu + (m-1)^{-1}\{(m-3)d\delta u + 2i(\zeta)d\delta u \cdot w\} = 0.$$

PROOF. As M has properties (i) and (ii), c must be zero by Theorem 16.2, equivalently we see that $u_{i,j}w^i w^j = 0$ holds. Then we have $b = 2(m-1)^{-1}\delta u$, thus (20.7) is equivalent to (20.6).

THEOREM 20.4. *Let M be a compact 3-dimensional Riemannian manifold such that ζ_{σ} is a Killing vector field on each U . Then Π^{sc} is a Lie group.*

PROOF. Let $u \in \mathfrak{P}^{sc}$, then we have $L(u)w=0$ and $L(u)\zeta=0$. On the other hand, as ζ_{σ} is a Killing vector field, we have $i(\zeta)d\delta u = L(\zeta)\delta u = \delta L(\zeta)u = 0$. Therefore by Proposition 20.3, any $u \in \mathfrak{P}^{sc}$ satisfies $\Delta u = Qu$. This system of differential equations is of elliptic type, and \mathfrak{P}^{sc} is finite dimensional [24].

21. The case of negative Ricci curvature. Assume that u is an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation which satisfies $L(u)\omega=0$ on a compact and orientable M . Then as the relations $u_{i,j}\omega^i\omega^j=c=0$ hold, by (20.1) we have

$$(21.1) \quad u_{i,j} + u_{j,i} = 2(m-1)^{-1}u^r{}_{,r}g_{ij} - 2(m-1)^{-1}u^r{}_{,r}\omega_i\omega_j.$$

Contracting (21.1) with $u^{i,j}$ we get

$$(21.2) \quad u^{i,j}u_{j,i} = -u_{i,j}u^{i,j} + 2(m-1)^{-1}(u^r{}_{,r})^2.$$

On the other hand, it is known that

$$\langle R_1(u, u) + u^{i,j}u_{j,i} - (u^r{}_{,r})^2, 1 \rangle = 0$$

in any compact orientable Riemannian manifold. Substituting (21.2) into the last equation, we get

$$\langle R_1(u, u), 1 \rangle = 2\langle \nabla u, \nabla u \rangle + (m-1)^{-1}(m-3)\langle \delta u, \delta u \rangle,$$

from which we can conclude the following

THEOREM 21.1. *If M is compact and the Ricci curvature is negative, then any infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation u such that $L(u)\omega=0$ is a parallel field. If the Ricci curvature is negative definite, then there is no non-trivial infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation satisfying $L(u)\omega=0$.*

22. The relations of scalar curvatures. The Lie derivatives of the scalar curvature by an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -conformal transformation is written as (14.6) and it satisfies (14.7) which is a simple relation. However the relation of pR and R for an $(m-1)$ -conformal transformation φ is not so simple, so we impose some assumptions on manifolds M and transformations φ . One of utilities of the relations of the scalar curvatures pR and R is to obtain the analogous theorems to Theorems 16.10 and 16.12. Accordingly we take up two cases (a) and (b) in this section.

(a) ${}^e\xi, {}^d\eta$ are parallel and φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation of M to N . Under these assumptions, we have $\xi\alpha=0$ by Lemma 17.1. Then from (4.6) we have

$$(22.1) \quad W_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2\alpha}(\alpha_j \delta_k^i + \alpha_k \delta_j^i - \alpha^i g_{jk}) - \frac{1}{2\alpha} \beta^i w_j w_k \\ + \frac{w^i}{2\alpha(\alpha + \beta)} \{ \beta(\zeta\beta) w_j w_k - \beta(\alpha_j w_k + \alpha_k w_j) + \alpha(\beta_j w_k + \beta_k w_j) \}$$

from which one can deduce

$$(22.2) \quad W_{ji}^i = \frac{m}{2\alpha} \alpha_j + \frac{1}{2\alpha(\alpha + \beta)} (\alpha\beta_j - \beta\alpha_j),$$

$$(22.3) \quad W_{jk}^i g^{jk} = \frac{2-m}{2\alpha} \alpha^i - \frac{1}{2\alpha} \beta^i + \frac{2\alpha + \beta}{2\alpha(\alpha + \beta)} \zeta\beta \cdot w^i,$$

$$(22.4) \quad W_{jk}^i w^j w^k = -\frac{1}{2\alpha} (\alpha^i + \beta^i) + \frac{2\alpha + \beta}{2\alpha(\alpha + \beta)} \zeta\beta \cdot w^i.$$

Substituting these into (6.4), after calculation we get

$$(22.5) \quad {}^{\circ}R = 'R \cdot \varphi = \frac{R}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{4\alpha^3(\alpha + \beta)^2} \{ (m-1)(m-6)\alpha^2 + 2(m^2 - 8m + 11)\alpha\beta \\ + (m-2)(m-7)\beta^2 \} (d\alpha, d\alpha) - \frac{1}{2\alpha^2(\alpha + \beta)^2} \{ (m-5)\alpha + (m-3)\beta \} (d\alpha, d\beta) \\ + \frac{1}{2\alpha(\alpha + \beta)^2} (d\beta, d\beta) + \frac{1}{\alpha^2(\alpha + \beta)} \{ (m-1)\alpha + (m-2)\beta \} \delta d\alpha \\ + \frac{1}{\alpha(\alpha + \beta)} \delta d\beta - \frac{1}{2\alpha(\alpha + \beta)^2} (\zeta\beta)^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha(\alpha + \beta)} \zeta\zeta\beta.$$

Now, as φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation, we have $\varphi^*\eta = \gamma w$ where $\gamma^2 = \alpha + \beta$. Taking the exterior derivatives, we have $d\gamma \wedge w = 0$, since w and η are parallel. So $d\gamma$ is proportional to w and we get $d\alpha + d\beta = (\zeta\beta)w$. Then the next two relations are immediate consequences.

$$(22.6) \quad (d\alpha, d\beta) = -(d\alpha, d\alpha),$$

$$(22.7) \quad (d\beta, d\beta) = (d\alpha, d\alpha) + (\zeta\beta)^2.$$

Also from $d\alpha + d\beta = (\zeta\beta)w$, it follows that

$$(22.8) \quad \delta d\alpha + \delta d\beta = -\zeta\zeta\beta.$$

Thus, by substituting (22.6), (22.7) and (22.8) into (22.5), we can eliminate β from (22.5), and we have

PROPOSITION 22.1. *If ${}^e\xi$ and ${}^s\eta$ are parallel and φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation, the scalar curvatures satisfy*

$$(22.9) \quad \alpha {}^\circ R - R = -\frac{(m-2)(m-7)}{4\alpha^2}(d\alpha, d\alpha) + \frac{m-2}{\alpha}\delta d\alpha.$$

(b) $\xi_{\bar{v}}$, $\xi_{\bar{v}}$ are Killing vector fields and φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation having constant γ^2 . In this case, $d\alpha + d\beta = 0$ holds. As $\zeta\alpha = 0$, we have also $\zeta\beta = 0$. Then (4.6) is

$$(22.10) \quad W_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2\alpha}(\alpha_j\delta_k^i + \alpha_k\delta_j^i - \alpha^t g_{jk} + \alpha^t w_j w_k) \\ + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}(w_k w^i{}_{,j} + w_j w^i{}_{,k}) - \frac{w^i}{2\alpha}(\alpha_j w_k + \alpha_k w_j).$$

And by contractions

$$(22.11) \quad W_{ji}^i = (m-1)(2\alpha)^{-1}\alpha_j,$$

$$(22.12) \quad W_{jk}^i g^{jk} = -(m-3)(2\alpha)^{-1}\alpha^i,$$

$$(22.13) \quad W_{jk}^i w^j w^k = 0.$$

Then by (6.4) we have

PROPOSITION 22.2. *If $\xi_{\bar{v}}$ and $\xi_{\bar{v}}$ are Killing vector field and φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation of M to N such that $\varphi^*\eta_{\bar{v}} = \gamma_{\bar{v}\bar{v}} w_{\bar{v}}$ for some constant $\gamma_{\bar{v}\bar{v}}$, then we have*

$$(22.14) \quad \alpha {}^\circ R - R = -\frac{(m-2)(m-7)}{4\alpha^2}(d\alpha, d\alpha) + \frac{m-2}{\alpha}\delta d\alpha - \frac{\beta}{\alpha}R_1({}^e\xi, {}^e\xi).$$

Now we study the analogous properties to the results by M. Obata [10].

THEOREM 22.3. *If M is compact and of non-positive (non-negative resp.) scalar curvature and N of non-negative (non-positive resp.) scalar*

curvature, and if ${}^{\epsilon}\xi$ is parallel, then there is no $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation of M to N for which ${}^{\delta}\eta$ is also parallel, unless both scalar curvatures vanish. And if both scalar curvatures vanish, every $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation of M to N for which ${}^{\delta}\eta$ is also parallel is an $(m-1)^s$ -homothety.

PROOF. If we put $\phi = (1/2) \log \alpha$, we obtain

$$(22.15) \quad (d\alpha, d\alpha) = 4\alpha^2(d\phi, d\phi),$$

$$(22.16) \quad \delta d\alpha = 2\alpha\delta d\phi - 4\alpha(d\phi, d\phi).$$

And (22.9) turns to

$$(22.17) \quad \alpha {}^{\rho}R - R = -(m-2)(m-3)(d\phi, d\phi) + 2(m-2)\delta d\phi.$$

Assume that M is compact orientable, then integration of (22.17) gives

$$\langle \alpha {}^{\rho}R - R, 1 \rangle = -(m-2)(m-3)\langle d\phi, d\phi \rangle \leq 0,$$

from which we have the first part and second part ($m > 3$) of the Theorem. To prove the second part ($m = 3$) we use (22.17) again.

THEOREM 22.4. *Let M and N be compact Riemannian manifolds of non-positive scalar curvatures which are not identically equal to zero and assume that ${}^{\epsilon}\xi$ and ${}^{\delta}\eta$ are parallel field, then the $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation φ of M to N is an $(m-1)^s$ -homothety if and only if $'R \cdot \varphi = e^{-2\mu}R$ for some constant μ .*

PROOF. If φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -homothety, we have $'R \cdot \varphi = e^{-2\phi}R$ by (22.9). Conversely, assume that $'R \cdot \varphi = e^{-2\mu}R$ for some constant μ and M compact orientable, then

$$(e^{2(\phi-\mu)} - 1)R = -(m-2)(m-3)(d\phi, d\phi) + 2(m-2)\delta d\phi$$

holds. Contracting the last equation with $(e^{2m(\phi-\mu)} - 1)$, and integrating over M we have

$$(22.18) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle (e^{2(\phi-\mu)} - 1)R, e^{2m(\phi-\mu)} - 1 \rangle &= (m-2)(m-3)\langle d\phi, d\phi \rangle \\ &+ 3(m+1)(m-2)\langle e^{m(\phi-\mu)} d\phi, e^{m(\phi-\mu)} d\phi \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Thus ϕ must be constant.

THEOREM 22.5. *Under the same assumption as in Theorem 22.4, the $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation φ is an $(m-1)^s$ -isometry if and only if φ preserves the scalar curvature.*

PROOF. This is a special case $\phi = \mu = 0$ in Theorem 22.4.

23. The case of constant scalar curvature. From Theorems 22.3 and 22.5, one deduces the following

THEOREM 23.1. *Suppose that M and N are compact and of non-positive constant scalar curvature and ${}^e\xi$ is parallel field. Then every $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation of M to N for which ${}^e\xi$ is parallel is an $(m-1)^s$ -homothety.*

COROLLARY 23.2. *Suppose that M is compact and of non-positive constant scalar curvature and ${}^e\xi$ is parallel. Then every $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation of M is an $[m-1]^s$ -isometry.*

Corresponding to Theorem 16.12, we prove

THEOREM 23.3. *Assume that M is compact, of non-positive constant scalar curvature and admits a closed leaf of ${}^e\xi$, and assume that ζ_U is a Killing vector field on each U . Then any $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation φ of M onto itself satisfying $\varphi^*w_V = \gamma_{VU}w_U$ for some constant γ_{VU} is an isometry.*

PROOF. By the argument in §19, one get $\gamma_{VU}^2 = 1$ namely $\alpha + \beta = 1$. Then, by (22.15) and (22.16), (22.14) can be written as

$$(23.1) \quad (\alpha - 1)R = -(m-2)(m-3)(d\phi, d\phi) + 2(m-2)\delta d\phi - \alpha^{-1}(1-\alpha)R_1(\zeta, \zeta).$$

Multiplying (23.1) by $\alpha^m - 1$ and integrating over M which is assumed to be compact orientable, we have

$$(23.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \langle (\alpha - 1)R, \alpha^m - 1 \rangle &= (m-2)(m-3)\langle d\phi, d\phi \rangle \\ &\quad + 3(m+1)(m-2)\langle e^{m\phi}d\phi, e^{m\phi}d\phi \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle \alpha^{-1}(\alpha - 1)R_1(\zeta, \zeta), \alpha^m - 1 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

As $R_1(\zeta, \zeta)$ is non-negative by Lemma 16.8, ϕ or α is constant. By Corollary 10.3, the relations $\alpha = 1$ and $\beta = 0$ hold, so φ is an isometry.

24. Infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformations which leave the Ricci curvature invariant. Some relations obtained in §14 are referred in this section. Let u be an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation on M . Transvecting (14.3) with g^{jk} and $w^j w^k$ respectively, we have the following two relations

$$(24.1) \quad g^{jk}L(u)R_{jk} = (1-m)a^r_{,r} - b^r_{,r} + \zeta\zeta b + 2\zeta b \cdot w^r_{,r} + w_{r,j}b^r w^j + b\{(w^r_{,r}w^j)_{,j} + (w^{j,r}w_r)_{,j}\},$$

$$(24.2) \quad 2w^j w^k L(u)R_{jk} = (2-m)a_{j,k}w^j w^k - a^r_{,r} - b^r_{,r} + b_{j,k}w^j w^k + 2\zeta b \cdot w^r_{,r} + 2w_{r,k}b^r w^k + 2b\{w^r_{,k}w^k - w_{k,r}w^k - w_{j,k}w^k w^j_{,r}w^r\}.$$

THEOREM 24.1. *Assume that M is compact, ζ_σ is a Killing vector field on each U and the scalar curvature R is positive constant. If an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -conformal transformation u leaves the Ricci curvature invariant, then it is an infinitesimal $(m-1)^s$ -isometry.*

PROOF. From (24.1) and (24.2) it follows that

$$(24.3) \quad (m-1)\delta da + \delta db + \zeta\zeta b = 0,$$

$$(24.4) \quad \delta da + \delta db + \zeta\zeta b + 4bw^{k,r}w_{k,r} = 0.$$

On the other hand, (14.5) shows that $L(u)g^{jk} \cdot R_{jk} = -aR - bT = 0$, where $T = R_{jk}w^j w^k = w^{j,k}w_{j,k}$. Then by (24.3) and (24.4), we get $(2-m)\delta da = 4aR$. So if M is orientable we have $-(m-2)\langle da, da \rangle = 4\langle a^2 R, 1 \rangle$. This completes the proof.

25. Appendices.

(a) Let u be an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -conformal transformation, transvecting (13.1) with $w^i w^j$ we get $2u_{i,j}w^i w^j = a + b$. If M is orientable, compact and has properties (i) and (ii), the integration of $2(u_i w^i w^j)_{,j} = a + b$ over M gives $\langle a + b, 1 \rangle = 0$. Thus combining this and (16.1), we have

LEMMA 25.1. *Let M be a compact orientable Riemannian manifold with properties (i) and (ii), and u be an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -conformal transformation, then*

$$\langle a, 1 \rangle = 0, \quad \langle b, 1 \rangle = 0$$

hold good. (cf. Theorem 16.2)

COROLLARY 25.2. *In a compact M with properties (i) and (ii), every infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -homothety is an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -isometry.*

(b) The orthogonality of u and a geodesic.

THEOREM 25.3. *Assume that u is an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -isometry and l is a geodesic which is also an integral curve of the distribution D . Then the inner product of u and a unit tangent vector field X on l to l is constant. Particularly, if u is orthogonal to l at one point of l , then u is orthogonal to l at every point of l .*

PROOF. Since X is a unit tangent vector to a geodesic we have $\nabla_X X|_l = 0$. Differentiating $g(u, X)$ along l we get

$$\nabla_X(g(u, X)) = g(\nabla_X u, X) + g(u, \nabla_X X).$$

The first term of the right hand side is equal to $u_{i,j} X^i X^j$. As u is an infinitesimal $(m-1)$ -isometry and as $w_i X^i = 0$ holds, we have $u_{i,j} X^i X^j = 0$. Thus we have $\nabla_X(g(u, X)) = 0$ on l , so $g(u, X)$ is constant on l .

(c) The functions α_t , β_t and γ_t . Let x_0 be an arbitrary point of M and u be infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation. And take a neighborhoods U and V ($V \subset U$) of x_0 , where we consider a local 1-parameter group of local transformations $\varphi_t: V \rightarrow \varphi_t V \subset U$ ($|t| < q(x_0)$) generated by u as in §15. We have seen that every φ_t is an $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation:

$$(25.1) \quad \varphi_t^* g = \alpha_t g + \beta_t w \otimes w,$$

$$(25.2) \quad \varphi_t^* w = \gamma_t w, \quad \gamma_t^2 = \alpha_t + \beta_t.$$

We define functions α , β and γ on $(-q(x_0), q(x_0)) \times V$ by $\alpha(t, x) = \alpha_t(x)$, $\beta(t, x) = \beta_t(x)$ and $\gamma(t, x) = \gamma_t(x)$, $t \in (-q(x_0), q(x_0))$, $x \in V$. Then α and β satisfy the following differential equations

$$(25.3) \quad \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t}(t, x) = \alpha(t, x)(a \cdot \varphi_t)(x)$$

$$(25.4) \quad \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial t}(t, x) = \beta(t, x)(a \cdot \varphi_t)(x) + b(\varphi_t x)\{\alpha(t, x) + \beta(t, x)\}.$$

We give here a proof for (25.4). From (9.4) we have

$$\beta(t+s, x) = \alpha_s(\varphi_t x) \beta_t(x) + \beta_s(\varphi_t x) (\alpha_t(x) + \beta_t(x)).$$

Therefore we get

$$\beta(t+s, x) - \beta(t, x) = \beta_t(x) \{ \alpha_s(\varphi_t x) - 1 \} + \beta_s(\varphi_t x) \{ \alpha_t(x) + \beta_t(x) \}.$$

Then (25.4) follows.

LEMMA 25.4. *Solutions of (25.3) and (25.4) are*

$$(25.5) \quad \alpha(t, x) = \exp \left(\int_0^t a(\varphi_s x) ds \right),$$

$$(25.6) \quad \beta(t, x) = \exp \left(\int_0^t (a+b)(\varphi_s x) ds \right) - \exp \left(\int_0^t a(\varphi_s x) ds \right).$$

COROLLARY 25.5. *Let u be an infinitesimal $[m-1]^s$ -conformal transformation, if a and b are constant, we have*

$$\alpha(t, x) = e^{at}, \quad \beta(t, x) = e^{(a+b)t} - e^{at}, \quad \gamma(t, x) = e^{ct} = e^{\frac{1}{2}(a+b)t}.$$

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