MTH 930 HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 7

1. Let (M,g) be a Riemannian manifold and $f \in C^{\infty}(M)$. As explained in

class, we always work with a local orthonormal frame.

• Prove the following formula

$$f_{i,jk} = f_{i,kj} + R\left(e_j, e_k, \nabla f, e_i\right).$$

- Derive a similar formula for a (0, 2)-tensor field.
- 2. Compute the divergence of the Ricci curvature.
- 3. Show that a complete Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) with the property that

$$\label{eq:ric} \begin{split} Ric \geq 0, \\ \lim_{r \to \infty} \frac{\mathrm{vol}B\left(p,r\right)}{\omega_n r^n} = 1, \end{split}$$

for some $p \in M$, must be isometric to the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n . (Here ω_n is the volume of the unit ball in \mathbb{R}^n .)

4. Let M^n be a closed submanifold in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} and ν its outer unit normal. The second fundamental form is defined by

$$h(X,Y) = \left\langle \overline{\nabla}_X \nu, Y \right\rangle$$

for $X, Y \in TM$. Its trace is the mean curvature H. We have the Codazzi equation

$$\nabla_X h\left(Y, Z\right) = \nabla_Y h\left(X, Z\right).$$

- Show that $\operatorname{div} h = dH$.
- Establish the following formula

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta \left|h\right|^{2} = \left|\nabla h\right|^{2} + \left\langle h, D^{2}H\right\rangle + \mathcal{K},$$

where

$$\mathcal{K} = -R_{ikjl}h_{ij}h_{kl} + R_{ij}h_{ik}h_{kj}$$

in terms of an orthonormal frame on M.

• Deduce the following conclusion (Liebmann's theorem): If M has constant mean curvature H and nonnegative second fundamental form, then it is a round sphere. (Hint: to analyse the curvature term you can choose the frame to diagonalize h. See Page 231 in Petersen's Riemannian Geometry, 2nd edition.)

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