

Riemann Spaces of Class Two and their Algebraic Characterization.

Part I.

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We shall investigate in this paper a necessary and sufficient condition that an n -dimensional Riemann space $R_n (n \geq 6)$ be of class two. Let the line element of R_n be a positive definite quadratic form

$$ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j; \quad (i, j, \dots = 1, 2, \dots, n);$$

where g 's are analytic functions of x^1, \dots, x^n .

Consider, in an $(n+2)$ -dimensional euclidean space E_{n+2} , an n -dimensional variety S_n defined by

$$y^a = \varphi^a(x^1, \dots, x^n) \quad (a=1, \dots, n+2);$$

where y 's are current coordinates of the point of S_n referred to a rectangular cartesian coordinate system in E_{n+2} and φ 's are analytic functions of x^1, \dots, x^n . The line element along a curve on S_n is given by

$$ds^2 = \sum_a (dy^a)^2 = \sum_a B_i^a B_j^a dx^i dx^j = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j;$$

where

$$B_i^a = \frac{\partial y^a}{\partial x^i}.$$

Let $B_p^a (P=I, II)$ be the components of two mutually orthogonal unit vectors normal to S_n . The variation of $B_\lambda^a (a=1, \dots, n+2; \lambda=1, \dots, n, I, II)$ along the curve can be written as

$$dB_\lambda^a = H_{\lambda i}^\sigma B_\sigma^a dx^i \quad (i=1, \dots, n; \sigma, \lambda=1, \dots, n, I, II; a=1, \dots, n+2).$$

As a condition of integrability of these equations we get immediately that $H_{jk}^i (i, j, k=1, \dots, n)$ are Christoffel's symbols and $H_{ij}^P (P=I, II; i, j=1, \dots, n)$ are symmetric in i and j ; and $H_{Qi}^P (P, Q=I, II; i=1, \dots, n)$ are skew-symmetric in P and Q ; those $H_{\lambda i}^\sigma$ satisfy the Gauss equation

$$(1) \quad R_{ijkl} = H_{ik}^P H_{jl}^P - H_{il}^P H_{jk}^P$$

the *Codazzi equation*

$$(2) \quad H_{ai,j}^P - H_{aj,i}^P = H_{ai}^Q H_{Fj}^Q - H_{aj}^Q H_{Fi}^Q,$$

the *Ricci equation*

$$(3) \quad H_{Qi,j}^P - H_{Qj,i}^P = g^{ab} (H_{ai}^Q H_{bj}^P - H_{aj}^Q H_{bi}^P),$$

and finally the equation

$$H_{Fj}^i = -g^{ai} H_{aj}^P.$$

In this paper we discuss the type number of a Riemann space $R_n (n \geq 4)$ of class two. Making use of it, we give, in the forthcoming paper,¹⁾ a necessary and sufficient condition that $R_n (n \geq 6)$ be of class two.

We restrict ourselves the discussions in a domain of R_n , where g_{ij} are analytic.

§ I. Type number

We put

$$(1.1) \quad L_{ijkl} = H_{ij}^I H_{kl}^{II} - H_{il}^I H_{jk}^{II} - H_{ij}^{II} H_{kl}^I + H_{il}^{II} H_{jk}^I.$$

If we define K_{ij} as

$$(1.2) \quad K_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} g^{ab} L_{ajbi},$$

we have from (1.1)

$$(1.3) \quad K_{ij} = g^{ab} (H_{ai}^{II} H_{bj}^I - H_{aj}^{II} H_{bi}^I);$$

where K_{ij} is a skew-symmetric tensor. If we put

$$H_{Ii}^I = -H_{Ii}^{II} = H_i,$$

the Ricci equation (3) becomes

$$H_{i,j} - H_{j,i} = g^{ab} (H_{ai}^{II} H_{bj}^I - H_{aj}^{II} H_{bi}^I),$$

accordingly we have from (1.3)

$$(1.4) \quad K_{ij} = H_{i,j} - H_{j,i}.$$

If we differentiate this equation covariantly with respect to x^k and sum three equations obtained by cyclic permutation of i, j and k , we have

$$(1.5) \quad K_{ij,k} + K_{jk,i} + K_{ki,j} = 0.$$

We write instead of (1.3)

$$(1.3') \quad K_{Q \cdot ij}^P = g^{cd} (H_{ci}^Q H_{dj}^P - H_{cj}^Q H_{di}^P),$$

and then we have immediately

$$K_{Q \cdot ij}^P = -K_{P \cdot ij}^Q = -K_{Q \cdot ji}^P.$$

When we multiply (1.3') by H_{ak}^Q , sum for Q , and sum up those three equations obtained by cyclic permutation of i, j and k , we have in consequence of (I)

$$(1.6) \quad H_{a(i}^Q K_{|Q|jk}^P = H_{c(i}^P R_{|a| \cdot jk}^c.$$

If multiplying (1.6) by H_{bl}^P and summing for P , we subtract three equations obtained by interchanging l with i, j , and k , we have in consequence of (I) and (1.1)

$$(1.7) \quad N_{abijkl} = L_{a(i} L_{|b|j)k} K_{kl} + K_{i(j} L_{|a|k|b|l)};$$

where

$$(1.8) \quad -N_{abijkl} = R_{cb(i} R_{|a| \cdot kl)} + R_{a \cdot i(j} R_{|cb|kl)}.$$

Contracting (1.7) by g^{ab} we have in consequence of (1.2)

$$(1.9) \quad M_{ijkl} = K_{ij} K_{kl} + K_{ik} K_{lj} + K_{il} K_{jk};$$

where

$$(1.10) \quad M_{ijkl} = -\frac{1}{2} g^{ab} N_{abijkl} = \frac{1}{2} R_{b \cdot i(j} R_{|a| \cdot kl)}.$$

The intrinsic tensor M_{ijkl} is skew-symmetric in its every two indices. We have from (1.9) the

Theorem I.I.... *A necessary condition that a Riemann space $R_n (n \geq 4)$ be of class two is that there is a skew-symmetric tensor K_{ij} which satisfies the algebraic equations (1.9), where M 's are defined by (1.10).*

As K_{ij} is skew-symmetric, the rank of matrix $\|K_{ij}\|$, whose elements are K_{ij} , is even and we shall therefore define the type number of a Riemann space R_n of class two as follows:

Definition :... *A variety $S_n (n \geq 4)$ in a euclidean space E_{n+2} will be said to be of type one if the rank of matrix $\|K\|$ is zero or two. It will be said to be of type τ if the rank of the above matrix is 2τ .*

We shall now prove that type number of S_n is determined by its intrinsic properties. According to the theory of the skew-symmetric determinant⁽²⁾ we have

$$(I. II) \quad (K_{ij} K_{kl})^2 = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & K_{ij} & K_{ik} & K_{il} \\ -K_{ij} & 0 & K_{jk} & K_{jl} \\ -K_{ik} - K_{jk} & 0 & 0 & K_{kl} \\ -K_{il} - K_{jl} & -K_{kl} & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix},$$

and if the rank is equal to 2τ , there is necessarily one 2τ -rowed principal minor which is not zero.

(A) Suppose that rank of $\|K\|$ is zero or two. The determinant of the right-hand member of (I. II) must be zero. Hence, it follows from (1.9) that all of M 's are zero. Conversely, if all of M 's are zero, we have

$$(1. 12) \quad K_{i(j} K_{kl)} = 0 \quad (i, j, k, l = 1, \dots, n)$$

Suppose that the rank of $\|K\|$ is n (even), then, contracting (1. 12) by K^{kl} which is skew-symmetric in k and l ⁽³⁾, we have $(n-2)K_{ij} = 0$. Accordingly all of K_{ij} are zero for $n \geq 4$ in contradiction to the hypothesis on the rank of $\|K\|$. Next suppose that the rank of $\|K\|$ is 2τ ($n > 2\tau \geq 4$). Now transform the coordinate system in such a way that $\|K\|$ has the form

$$(1. 13) \quad \|K\| = \left\| \begin{array}{ccc|c} 0 & K_{12} \dots \dots K_{1(2\tau)} & & 0 \\ -K_{12} & 0 & \dots & \\ \vdots & \dots & \ddots & \\ -K_{1(2\tau)} & & 0 & \\ \hline & 0 & & 0 \end{array} \right\|.$$

We consider the values of indices $i, j, k, l = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (1. 12) and have similarly $K_{ij} = 0$ ($i, j = 1, \dots, 2\tau$) for $2\tau \geq 4$. Accordingly the rank of $\|K\|$ is zero or two.

(B) Consider the following two systems of equations

$$(1. 14) \quad K_{ij} v^i = 0,$$

$$(1. 15) \quad M_{ijkl} v^i = 0 \quad (i, j, k, l = 1, \dots, n).$$

Suppose that the rank of $\|K\|$ is n (even) and the rank of $\|M\|$, i.e.

$$\left\| \begin{array}{c} M_{1abc} \dots \dots M_{nabc} \\ M_{1ijk} \dots \dots M_{nijk} \\ \dots \dots \dots \\ M_{1pqr} \dots \dots M_{npqr} \end{array} \right\|$$

of coefficients of the system (1. 15) is $< n$. Then the system (1. 15) has a non-trivial solution v^i and it results from (1.9) that

$$(I. 16) \quad K_{i(j} K_{kl)} v^i = 0.$$

But since the determinant $|K| \neq 0$ by hypothesis, it follows from (I. 16) by contracting with K^{kl} that all of v^i are zero; hence the rank of $\|M\|$ is also n . Conversely if the rank of $\|M\|$ is n and that of $\|K\| < n$, (I. 14) would have a non-trivial solution v^i satisfying (I. 15) according to (I. 16). This contradicts to the hypothesis on the rank of $\|M\|$. Hence the rank of $\|K\|$ is n if, and only if, the matrix $\|M\|$ has rank n .

(C) Consider finally the case in which the rank of $\|K\|$ is 2τ ($n > 2\tau \geq 4$). Now transform the coordinate system in such a way that $\|K\|$ has the form (I. 13). All of solutions of (I. 14) satisfy (I. 15) by means of (I. 16). Conversely, let any non-trivial solution of (I. 15) be v^i and putting indices i, j, k and l to be $1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (I. 16) and contracting by K^{kl} we have $v^1 = \dots = v^{2\tau} = 0$; also we know that one of the quantities $v^{2\tau+1}, \dots, v^n$ is not zero. Since these v 's satisfy the system (I. 14), and solution of (I. 15) is therefore a solution of (I. 14). Accordingly the rank of $\|K\|$ is equal to that of $\|M\|$. Hence we have the

Theorem 1.2 :...The type number of a variety S_n ($n \geq 4$) of a euclidean space E_{n+2} is determined by its intrinsic properties;

I) the type number is equal to one if, and only if, the tensor M_{ijkl} is the zero tensor.

II) The type number is equal to τ if, and only if, the rank of the matrix $\|M\|$ is 2τ ($n > 2\tau \geq 4$).

For Riemann spaces of dimension less than four, tensor M_{ijkl} is constantly zero as is seen from (I. 10).

If S_n is immersible in an $(n+1)$ -dimensional euclidean space E_{n+1} , the Gauss equation is

$$R_{ijkl} = H_{ik} H_{jl} - H_{il} H_{jk},$$

and then we can see immediately that the tensor M_{ijkl} is zero. Therefore S_n being of type ≥ 2 is not immersible in E_{n+1} , i.e. not of class one or zero.

C. B. Allendoerfer discussed Riemann spaces of class $p(\geq 2)$ ⁽⁴⁾. He put

$$C_{ab|ij} = \begin{vmatrix} H_{ai}^I & H_{ai}^{II} \\ H_{bj}^I & H_{bj}^{II} \end{vmatrix}$$

According to (I. 3) we have

$$(I. 17) \quad g^{ab} C_{ab|ij} = -K_{ij}.$$

Therefore contracting C_1 in his paper, i.e. $C_1 = C_{ab|ij} \delta_{rs}^{ij}$, by g^{ab} we have from (I. 17)

$$(I. 18) \quad -2K_{rs} = g^{ab} C_1.$$

Moreover contracting C_2 , i.e. $C_2 = C_{ab|ij} C_{cd|kl} \delta_{rstu}^{ijkl}$, by $g^{ab} g^{cd}$ we have from (I. 17)

$$(I. 19) \quad (-1)^2 \cdot 2^2 \cdot 2! \cdot \sqrt{|K_2|} = g^{ab} g^{cd} C_2,$$

and so on; where $|K_2|$ is symbolically a 4-rowed principal minor of $\|K\|$ i.e.

$$\sqrt{|K_2|} = K_{r(s} K_{tu)}.$$

Thus we have in general

$$(I. 20) \quad (-1)^\tau \cdot 2^\tau \cdot \tau! \cdot \sqrt{|K_\tau|} = g^{a_1 b_1} \dots g^{a_\tau b_\tau} C_\tau;$$

where $|K_\tau|$ is symbolically a 2τ -rowed principal minor of $\|K\|$.

He defined such a type number that a Riemann space R_n of class two is of type τ if there is one C_τ not zero and all of $C_{\tau+1}$ are zero.

If a R_n of class two is of type τ in the sense of this paper, we must have that $|K_\tau|$ is not zero. Hence, all of C_τ are not zero from (I. 20). As the result, R_n of class two and of type τ in the sense of this paper is of type $\geq \tau$ in the sense of the Allendoerfer's paper.

Hence, if we interchange the Allendoerfer's definition of type number with that in this paper, the theorem I and II, and Lemma V of his paper become the following three theorems.

Theorem I. 3 :...If a variety S_n ($n \geq 6$) in a euclidean space E_{n+2} is of type ≥ 3 , S_n is intrinsically rigid.

Theorem I. 4 :...If in a Riemann space R_n ($n \geq 6$) of type ≥ 3 there are two sets of functions H_{ij}^P and H_{ij}^Q ($P, Q = I, II$; $i, j = 1, \dots, n$) satisfying the Gauss and Codazzi equations, the Ricci equation is automatically satisfied.

Theorem I. 5 :...If in a Riemann space R_n ($n \geq 8$) of type ≥ 4 there is a set of functions H_{ij}^P ($p = I, II$; $i, j = 1, \dots, n$) satisfying the Gauss equation, there is a set of functions H_{ij}^Q ($P, Q = I, II$; $i = 1, \dots, n$) satisfying the Codazzi and Ricci equations.

§2. Characters of a solution of the equations (I. 9)

Let the algebraic equations (I. 9) have a solution K^s . We shall

discuss the characters of the solution.

From the theorem I. 2, if there are two systems of solutions K 's and \bar{K} 's we have that the rank of $\|K\|$ is equal to that of $\|\bar{K}\|$.

Now we shall prove the following theorem in relation to intrinsic rigidity :

Theorem 2. I... If a Riemann space $R_n (n \geq 6)$ of class two is of type ≥ 3 , a solution K 's of (I. 9) is uniquely determined to within algebraic sign.

The algebraic sign of K 's can not be determined by intrinsic properties, because it changes by interchanging indices I and II of the normals as is seen from (I. 3).

Let K 's and \bar{K} 's be two systems of solution and we put

$$(2.1) \quad \bar{K}_{ij} = K_{ij} + A_{ij} \quad (i, j=1, \dots, n).$$

We have from (I. 9)

$$(2.2) \quad \bar{K}_{i(j} \bar{K}_{kl)} = K_{i(j} K_{kl)}.$$

Substituting (2. 1) in (2.2) we have

$$(2.3) \quad K_{i(j} A_{kl)} + A_{i(j} K_{kl)} + A_{i(j} A_{kl)} = 0.$$

(A) Suppose $\det. |K| \neq 0$ and $|A| \neq 0$. Contracting (2.3) by A^{kl} we have

$$(2.4) \quad (n-4)K_{ij} + (n-2 + A^{ab} K_{ab})A_{ij} = 0.$$

Moreover contracting (2.4) by A^{ij} we have $A^{ab} K_{ab} = -n/2$, and substituting this expression in (2.4), we have $A_{ij} = -2K_{ij}$ for $n \geq 6$. Hence from (2. 1) $\bar{K}_{ij} = -K_{ij}$ for $i, j=1, \dots, n$.

Next suppose $\det. |A| = 0$. Let v 's be a non-trivial solution of the the system of equations $A_{ij}v^j = 0$ ($i, j=1, \dots, n$). Contracting (2.3) by K^{ij} we have

$$(2.5) \quad (n-4 + K^{ab} A_{ab})A_{kl} + K^{ab} A_{ab} K_{kl} - K^{ij} (A_{ki} A_{lj} + A_{il} A_{kj}) = 0.$$

Since contracting (2.5) by v^k we have $(K^{ab} A_{ab}) K_{kl} v^k = 0$, we have $K^{ab} A_{ab} = 0$, because $|K|$ is not zero. Hence we have from (2.5)

$$(n-4)A_{kl} - K^{ij} (A_{ki} A_{lj} + A_{il} A_{kj}) = 0.$$

Substituting (2.1) in this equation we have

$$(2.6) \quad n\bar{K}_{kl} = (n-2)K_{kl} - K^{ij} (\bar{K}_{ik} \bar{K}_{lj} + \bar{K}_{il} \bar{K}_{jk}).$$

From $|\bar{K}| \neq 0$, we have similarly

$$(2.7) \quad nK_{kl} = (n-2)\bar{K}_{kl} - \bar{K}^{ij} (K_{ik}K_{lj} + K_{il}K_{jk}).$$

Now from (2.6) and (2.7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} n\bar{K}_{kl} = (n-2)K_{kl} - K^{ij}\bar{K}_{ik} & \left\{ \frac{n}{n-2}K_{lj} + \frac{1}{n-2}\bar{K}^{ab}(K_{al}K_{jb} \right. \\ & \left. + K_{aj}K_{bl}) \right\} - K^{ij}\bar{K}_{il} \left\{ \frac{n}{n-2}K_{jk} + \frac{1}{n-2}\bar{K}^{ab}(K_{aj}K_{kb} + K_{ak}K_{bj}) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

and we deduce $\bar{K}_{kl} = K_{kl}$ ($k, l=1, \dots, n$) for $n \geq 6$.

(B) Suppose that rank of $\|K\| = 2\tau$ ($n > 2\tau \geq 6$). Transform $\|K\|$ into the form (I. 13). Then $\|\bar{K}\|$ has also the similar form at the same time. In fact, putting $i, j, k, l=1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.2) and contracting by K^{ij} we have

$$(2\tau-2)K_{kl} = C_k^h \bar{K}_{hl} \quad (h, k, l=1, \dots, 2\tau);$$

where

$$C_k^h = (K^{ab}\bar{K}_{ab}) \delta_k^h - 2K^{ab}\bar{K}_{ak}.$$

Hence we have

$$(2\tau-2)|K_\tau| = |C| \cdot |\bar{K}_\tau|.$$

Accordingly in $\|\bar{K}\|$ we have

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & \bar{K}_{12} & \dots & \bar{K}_{1(2\tau)} \\ -\bar{K}_{12} & 0 & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \dots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\bar{K}_{1(2\tau)} & \dots & \dots & 0 \end{vmatrix} \neq 0.$$

Next putting $i > 2\tau$ and $j, k, l=1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.2) we have

$$\bar{K}_{i(j)} \bar{K}_{kl} = 0$$

and contracting this equation by \bar{K}^{kl} we have $\bar{K}_{ij} = 0$ for $i > 2\tau$ and $j=1, \dots, 2\tau$.

Finally putting $i, j > 2\tau$ and $k, l=1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.2) we have $\bar{K}_{ij} \bar{K}_{kl} = 0$. We have therefore $\bar{K}_{ij} = 0$ for $i, j > 2\tau$. Accordingly, by the similar way as for (A), we have the theorem 2.I.

Now in relation to the equation (I.5) we shall prove the

Theorem 2.3 :...When a Riemann space R_n ($n \geq 8$) of class two and of type ≥ 4 , a solution K 's of (I. 9) satisfies the equations (I. 5).

We differentiate covariantly (I. 9) with respect to x^h and subtract four equations obtained by interchanging h with i, j, k and l . Making use of (I. 10) and the Bianchi's identity we have

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} &K'_{ij} K_{klh} + K'_{ik} K_{jhl} + K'_{il} K_{jkh} + K'_{ih} K_{jlk} + K'_{jk} K_{ilh} \\ &+ K'_{jl} K_{ihk} + K'_{jh} K_{ikl} + K'_{kl} K_{ijh} + K'_{hk} K_{ilj} + K'_{lh} K_{ijk} = 0; \end{aligned}$$

where K'_{ijk} are left-hand member of (I. 5).

(A) Suppose $\det. |K| \neq 0$. Contracting (2.8) by K^{lh} we have

$$(2.9) \quad (n-6)K'_{ijk} + K^{lh}(K'_{ij} K'_{lhk} + K'_{ki} K'_{lhj} + K'_{jk} K'_{lhi}) = 0,$$

and contracting (2.9) by K^{ij} we have $K^{ab} K'_{abi} = 0$ for $n \geq 6$. We can therefore deduce from (2.9) that all of K'_{ijk} are zero for $n \geq 8$.

(B) Suppose that the rank of $\|K\| = 2\tau$ ($n > 2\tau \geq 8$). Transform $\|K\|$ into (I. 13) and take $i, j, k, l, h = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.8). By the similar way as for (A) we have $K'_{ijk} = 0$ for $i, j, k = 1, \dots, 2\tau$.

Next putting $k > 2\tau$ and $i, j, l, h = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.8) we have

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} &K'_{ij} K_{klh} + K'_{il} K_{jkh} + K'_{ih} K_{kjl} + K'_{jl} K_{ihk} + K'_{jh} K_{ikl} \\ &+ K'_{lh} K_{kij} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

and contracting (2.10) by K^{lh} we have

$$(2.11) \quad (2\tau-4) K'_{ijk} + K'_{ij} K^{lh} K_{lhk} = 0,$$

and contracting (2.11) by K^{ij} we have $K^{lh} K'_{lhk} = 0$ for $2\tau > 2$, and therefore from (2.11) $K'_{ijk} = 0$ for $i, j = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ and $k > 2\tau$ if $2\tau > 4$.

Next putting $j, k > 2\tau$ and $i, l, h = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.8) we have

$$(2.12) \quad K'_{il} K_{jkh} + K'_{lh} K_{jki} + K'_{hi} K_{jkl} = 0,$$

and contracting (2.12) by K^{lh} we have $K'_{ijk} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ and $j, k > 2\tau$.

Finally putting $i, j, k > 2\tau$ and $l, h = 1, \dots, 2\tau$ in (2.8) we have $K'_{lh} K'_{ijk} = 0$ and therefore $K'_{ijk} = 0$ for $i, j, k > 2\tau$. Since K_{abc} is skew-symmetric in its every two indices, all of K_{abc} are zero and we have the theorem 2.2.

It is to be noted here that (1.5) is a necessary and sufficient condition of integrability of the differential equations (1.4) for the determination of the unknowns H_i (we omit here the proof).

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