

**THEORY OF THE SPHERICALLY SYMMETRIC
SPACE-TIMES. III.
CLASS¹⁾**

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§ 1. Introduction.

It is well known that de Sitter type space-time [A]²⁾ and Einstein type one [C]²⁾ are expressible as a four dimensional fundamental hyperquadric and a hypercircular cylinder in five dimensional flat space respectively. On the other hand, Schwarzschild type space-time is expressible as a four dimensional subspace of six dimensional flat space.³⁾ In other words their classes are one, one and two respectively.

In this paper we intend to determine the classes of all s. s. space-times to which the above three belong as special ones. It was shown, however, by Eiesland that the *class of any s. s. space-time S_0 is at most two*,⁴⁾ hence we have only to determine the condition that an S_0 be of class one. After obtaining this condition in a s. s. coordinate system, we shall express it in invariant form using c. s. of S_0 .⁵⁾ Lastly we shall give the concrete form of transformation which transforms an S_0 of class one into a hypersurface of five dimensional flat space.

§ 2. Space-time S_1 .

Line element of an S_1 is reducible to

$$ds^2 = -A(r, t)dr^2 - r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2) + C(r, t)dt^2, \quad (2.1)$$

by a suitable choice of coordinate system. Then using (2.1), we can prove : Lemma 1.⁶⁾ *A necessary and sufficient condition that an S_1 be of class one is that A and C satisfy*

$$A \neq 1, \quad 2(\ddot{A} - C'') + (\dot{A}^2 - A'C')/(1-A) + (C'^2 - \dot{A}\dot{C})/C = 0, \quad (2.2)$$

in the coordinate system of (2.1).

Proof : In order that a space-time be of class one, it is necessary and sufficient that there exists a symmetric tensor b_{ij} satisfying

$$K_{ijkl} = e(b_{ik}b_{jl} - b_{il}b_{jk}), \quad (F), \quad \nabla_k b_{ij} - \nabla_j b_{ik} = 0, \quad (G)$$

where $i, j, \dots = 1, \dots 4$, and e is plus or minus one and is equal to $a_{\alpha\beta}\eta^\alpha\eta^\beta$. ($a_{\alpha\beta}$, ($\alpha, \beta = 1, \dots, 5$), is the fundamental tensor of the five dimensional flat space and η^α is the unit normal vector of the four dimensional hypersurface.)⁷⁾ If we raise the indices k and l and use (2.1), (F) becomes

$$\begin{cases} e\alpha = b_1^1 b_2^2 - b_1^2 b_2^1, & e\beta = b_2^2 b_4^4 - b_2^4 b_4^2, \text{ etc. (8 eqs.)} \\ b_1^1 b_2^3 - b_1^3 b_2^1 = 0, & b_1^1 b_2^4 - b_1^4 b_2^1 = 0, \text{ etc. (13 eqs.)} \end{cases} \quad (F)$$

where $\alpha = K_{12}^{12} = K_{13}^{13} = -A'/2A^2r$, $\beta = K_{21}^{24} = K_{34}^{34} = C'/2ACr$, etc.⁵⁾ And (G) becomes

$$\partial_2 b_{11} - \partial_1 b_{12} + A' b_{12}/2A + \dot{A} b_{24}/2C - b_{12}/r = 0, \text{ etc. (24 eqs.)} \quad (G)$$

for (2.1). From (F) we can easily prove the following:

(i) When $(b_{12} \neq 0, b_{23} \neq 0)$ or $(b_{12} \neq 0, b_{23} = 0)$. S_1 must be flat i. e. [B].²⁾

(ii) When $b_{12} = 0$ and $b_{23} \neq 0$, we have $b_{1j} = 0$ and $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = \xi = 0$.

Hence we have $A = \text{const.}$ and $C = C(t)$. So by a transformation of t , we obtain

$$ds^2 = -Adr^2 - r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2) + dt^2, \quad (A = \text{const.}), \quad (2.3)$$

When $A=1$, this gives [B]. When $A \neq 1$ we have (2.2). This S_1 is not flat and we can easily prove that (F) and (G) have a solution b_{ij} of the type $b_{22}, b_{23}, b_{33} \neq 0$ and other $b_{ij} = 0$. Hence the class of this S_1 is one. In fact, by putting

$$z^1 = r \sin \theta \cos \phi, z^2 = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, z^3 = r \cos \theta, z^4 = \lambda r, z^5 = t, \quad (2.4)$$

we have

$$ds^2 = -(dz^1)^2 - (dz^2)^2 - (dz^3)^2 + e_4(dz^4)^2 + (dz^5)^2, \quad (2.5)$$

where ($\lambda = \sqrt{1-A}$, $e_4 = 1$) or ($\lambda = \sqrt{A-1}$, $e_4 = -1$) according as $1-A > 0$ or < 0 and the S_1 becomes a hypercylinder $-(z^1)^2 - (z^2)^2 - (z^3)^2 + e_4(z^4)^2/(1-A) = 0$ in the flat space (2.5).⁸⁾

(iii) When $b_{12} = b_{23} = 0$. Assuming that S_1 is not [B], we have $b_{12} = b_{23} = b_{13} = b_{24} = b_{34} = 0$. (iii_a) When $\beta \neq 0$, i. e. $C' \neq 0$: From (F), we can obtain

$$\begin{cases} b_{11} = A'/2\lambda\sqrt{A}, & b_{22} = -r\lambda/\sqrt{A}, & b_{33} = -r\lambda \sin^2 \theta/\sqrt{A}, \\ b_{44} = C'/2\lambda\sqrt{A}, & b_{14} = \dot{A}/2\lambda\sqrt{A}, & \text{other } b_{ij} = 0, \quad A \neq 1, \end{cases} \quad (2.6)$$

where $\lambda = \sqrt{e(1-A)} \neq 0$ and e is taken so as λ is real. (Double sign of b_{ij} being omitted.) Using these results, we have (2.2). Conversely if (2.2) holds and $C' \neq 0$, b_{ij} defined by (2.6) satisfies (F) and (G). (iii_b) When $\beta = 0$

i.e. $C'=0$: By a transformation of t we have $C=1$. Especially when $\gamma=0$ i.e. $\dot{A}=0$, we obtain (2.6) in which $C'=\dot{A}=0$ as the solution of (F) and (G). Hence this S_1 is of class one and (2.2) is satisfied. (If $A'=0$ further, we have the S_1 defined by (2.3) and a new solution b_{ij} is obtained.) Similarly when $\gamma\neq0$, i.e. $\dot{A}\neq0$, we can easily obtain (2.2) whose $C'=0$ as the condition to be satisfied by A in order that the S_1 be of class one. b_{ij} in this case is also given by (2.6) putting $C'=0$. Hence the lemma is proved.

The concrete form of b_{ij} is given by (2.6) to within a sign with a proviso that in S_1 defined by (2.3) b_{ij} 's of different types exist.

§ 3. Condition (2.2) in invariant forms.

By using the formulae concerning α, β, \dots given in (I), (2.2) can be rewritten as

$$\eta\neq0, \quad \xi\eta = \alpha\beta + C\gamma^2/A. \quad (3.1)$$

In this section we shall express this condition in invariant forms. For this purpose we shall use the relation

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha\beta + C\gamma^2/A = \{4(\rho)^4 + 2\rho(\rho+\rho)^2 + \rho\rho\}/16, \quad \alpha+\beta = (\rho+\rho+4\rho)/4, \\ \xi = (\rho+\rho+\rho+2\rho)/4, \quad \eta = \rho/2, \end{array} \right. \quad (3.2)$$

which is obtained from the formulae concerning c.s. given in (I). We can easily prove that this relation is invariant under any transformation of r and t .⁹⁾ If we substitute (3.2) into (3.1), we have

$$\rho\neq0, \quad 2\rho\rho = \rho\rho. \quad (3.3)$$

Hence we obtain:

Lemma 2. *A necessary and sufficient condition that an S_1 be of class one is given by (3.3).*

Since a necessary and sufficient condition that an S_0 be conformally flat is given by $\overset{1}{\rho}=0$, we have:

Corollary 1. *A necessary and sufficient condition that a conformally flat S_1 be of class one is that it hold either $(\overset{4}{\rho}\neq0, \overset{2}{\rho}=0)$ or $(\overset{4}{\rho}=0, \overset{3}{\rho}\neq0)$.*

Examples: In [A] and [C] it holds that $(\overset{4}{\rho}=\overset{2}{\rho}=\overset{1}{\rho}=0, \rho=\text{const.}\neq0)$ and $(\overset{1}{\rho}=\overset{2}{\rho}=0, \overset{4}{\rho}\neq0)$ respectively, so (3.3) is satisfied. In general, we can easily prove that in $S(L)$ except [B], (i.e. the space-time used in relativistic cosmology), it holds that $\overset{1}{\rho}=\overset{2}{\rho}=0$ and $\overset{4}{\rho}\neq0$,²⁾ hence this $S(L)$ is also of

class one.¹⁰⁾ For Schwarzschild type S_1 it holds that $\rho^1 = -2\rho^2 = -2\rho^3 = 6\rho^4 = 0$, hence (3.3) is not satisfied and it is of class two.

There is another way of expressing (2.2) in invariant form. The characteristic equation of the matrix $[K_A^B]$ in the coordinate system of (2.1) is given by

$$(\lambda - \xi)(\lambda - \eta)\{\lambda^2 - (\alpha + \beta)\lambda + \alpha\beta + C\gamma^2/A\}^2 = 0, \quad (3.4)$$

where $K_A^B = K_{ij}^{lm}$, ($A = (i, j)$, $B = (l, m)$; $A, B = 1, \dots, 6$; $(1, 2) = 1, \dots, (3, 4) = 6$).^{5), 11)} The six roots of this equation which are invariant under any coordinate transformation are $\xi, \eta; \lambda_1, \lambda_1; \lambda_2, \lambda_2$ where λ_1 and λ_2 are roots of $\lambda^2 - (\alpha + \beta)\lambda + \alpha\beta + C\gamma^2/A = 0$. When $A = 1$, (3.4) becomes $\lambda^3(\lambda - \xi)(\lambda - \beta)^2 = 0$. The second equation of (3.1) is equivalent to $\xi\eta = \lambda_1\lambda_2$. Therefore, from the standpoint of the characteristic roots i.e. principal invariants of $[K_A^B]$, we can determine the class of given S_1 . For example, when six roots are $p, q; r, r; s, s$, ($p, q, r, s \neq 0$), the class is one or two according as $pq = rs$ or $pq \neq rs$.

§ 4. Space-time S_{II} .

The line element of an S_{II} is reducible to the form

$$ds^2 = -A(r, t)dr^2 - B(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2) + C(r, t)dt^2, \quad (B = \text{const.} > 0), \quad (4.1)$$

by a suitable transformation of coordinates. Since $\eta \equiv K_{23}^{23} = -1/B \neq 0$ in this coordinate system, an S_{II} can not be flat and its class must be one or two by virtue of the theorem stated in § 1.

Solving (F) and (G) as in the case of S_1 , we have $b_{11} = b_{14} = b_{44} = 0$ and $\xi = K_{14}^{14} = 0$. So by a transformation of (r, t) -space, we have

$$ds^2 = -dr^2 - B(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2) + dt^2, \quad (B = \text{const.} > 0). \quad (4.2)$$

Evidently this S_{II} is of class one and becomes a hypersurface $(z^1)^2 + (z^2)^2 + (z^3)^2 = B$ in a flat space $ds^2 = -(ds^1)^2 - (dz^2)^2 - (dz^3)^2 - dr^2 + dt^2$.¹²⁾ Hence we have

Lemma 3. A necessary and sufficient condition that an S_{II} be of class one is given by $\xi = 0$ in the coordinate system of (4.1).

In this coordinate system it holds that $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 0$ and $\eta \neq 0$, so $\xi = 0$ coincides with the second equation of (3.1). And further an S_0 is S_{II} when and only when $\rho^1 = \rho^2 = -2\rho^3 = 4/B$, ($\neq 0$), and it holds that $\rho^1 = 4(\xi - 1/B)$.⁵⁾ Hence $\xi = 0$ is equivalent to $\rho = -\rho$, ($\neq 0$), and also to the second of (3.3). Summarizing the results obtained, we have :

Theorem 1. A necessary and sufficient condition that an S_0 be of class one is given by (3.3). Especially when S_0 is S_{II} the condition becomes $\rho^{\frac{1}{2}} = -\rho^{\frac{2}{2}}$.

Corresponding to the corollary 1 in §3, we easily obtain :

Corollary 2. Conformally flat S_{II} can not be of class one i.e. it is of class two.

A characterizing condition of S_{II} from the standpoint of the characteristic roots of $[K_A^B]$ is that four of the six roots are 0 and one of the remaining two is non-vanishing constant (i.e. $-1/B$).¹¹⁾ Hence as in §3, we have :

Lemma 4. A necessary and sufficient condition that an S_0 be S_{II} of class one is that five of the six characteristic roots of the matrix $[K_A^B]$ be 0 and the remaining one be non-vanishing constant.

§ 5. Concrete form of z^α in general S_0 of class one.

In an S_0 of class one there exist five functions $z^\alpha = f^\alpha(x^i)$ satisfying

$$ds^2 = g_{ij}dx^i dx^j = \sum_\alpha e_\alpha (dz^\alpha)^2, \quad (\alpha = 1, \dots, 5), \quad (5.1)$$

where the e 's are plus or minus one according to the character of the S_0 . In this section we shall obtain the concrete forms of these z 's by solving

$$\nabla_j \nabla_i z^\alpha = e b_{ij} \eta^\alpha, \quad (L), \quad \nabla_j \eta^\alpha = -b_{ij} g^{im} \nabla_m z^\alpha, \quad (M)$$

where b_{ij} is the solution of (F) and (G).¹³⁾

In the first place, we shall deal with an S_I satisfying (2.2) taking the coordinate system of (2.1). When S_I is of the type (2.3), z^α is given by (2.4), so we assume that the S_I is not of this type and take b_{ij} given by (2.6). Then (L) and (M) become

$$\partial_{11} z^\alpha - (A'/2A) \partial_1 z^\alpha - (A/2C) \partial_4 z^\alpha = (A'/2\sqrt{A} \lambda) \eta^\alpha, \text{ etc. (10 eqs.) (L)}$$

$$\text{and } \partial_1 \eta^\alpha = (A'/2A\sqrt{A} \lambda) \partial_1 z^\alpha - (A/2C\sqrt{A} \lambda) \partial_4 z^\alpha, \text{ etc. (4 eqs.) (M)}$$

respectively, where $\lambda = \sqrt{e(1-A)}$ and ∂_i means $\partial^2/\partial x^i \partial x^j$. By solving this we know that such z^α are given by

$$\begin{aligned} z^1 &= r \sin \theta \cos \phi, & z^2 &= r \sin \theta \sin \phi, & z^3 &= r \cos \theta, \\ z^4 &= \tau(r, t), & z^5 &= \mu(r, t), \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

where τ and μ are determined in the following way :

(i) When A or C' is not 0. Let $\omega(r, t)$ be any non-constant solution of $C' \partial_1 f - A \partial_4 f = 0$, then the general solution of this equation is given by

$F(\omega)$ where F is an arbitrary function. If we put $\nu = \dot{A}/(2\lambda\omega\sqrt{C}) = C'/(2\lambda\omega\sqrt{C})$ and use (2.2) we obtain $C'\partial_1\nu - \dot{A}\partial_4\nu = 0$ so that $\nu = \nu(\omega)$. Then we consider the differential equation

$$\frac{d^2F}{d\omega^2} - \frac{\nu'}{\nu} \frac{dF}{d\omega} + e\nu^2 F = 0, \quad \left(\nu' = \frac{d\nu}{d\omega} \right). \quad (5.3)$$

The solution $F(\omega)$ contains two arbitrary constants and we can take two solutions F and \bar{F} of (5.3) satisfying

$$F'^2 + e\bar{F}'^2 = 1, \quad eFF' + \bar{F}\bar{F}' = 0, \quad eF'^2 + \bar{F}'^2 = \nu^2, \quad (F' = dF/d\omega), \quad (5.4)$$

initially. If we put $F' = \nu G$ and $\bar{F}' = \bar{\nu} \bar{G}$, we have $G' = -e\nu F$ and $\bar{G}' = -e\bar{\nu} \bar{F}$. Hence (5.4) becomes

$$F'^2 + e\bar{F}'^2 = 1, \quad eFG + \bar{F}\bar{G} = 0, \quad eG^2 + \bar{G}^2 = 1. \quad (5.5)$$

By repeated differentiations of the left hand sides of (5.5), we know that there exist τ and μ satisfying

$$\partial_1\tau = \lambda F, \quad \partial_4\tau = \sqrt{C} G; \quad \partial_1\mu = \lambda \bar{F}, \quad \partial_4\mu = \sqrt{C} \bar{G}. \quad (5.6)$$

We have only to take these τ and μ .

Then from (5.6) we have

$$-(dz^1)^2 - (dz^2)^2 - (dz^3)^2 + e(dz^4)^2 + (dz^5)^2 = ds^2 \text{ of (2.1)}, \quad (5.7)$$

and corresponding η^α is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \eta^\alpha = & [-(\lambda/\sqrt{A}) \sin \theta \cos \phi, \quad -(\,,) \sin \theta \sin \phi, \quad -(\,,) \cos \theta, \\ & -F/\sqrt{A}, \quad -\bar{F}/\sqrt{A}], \end{aligned} \quad (5.8)$$

and so

$$-(\eta^1)^2 - (\eta^2)^2 - (\eta^3)^2 + e(\eta^4)^2 + (\eta^5)^2 = e. \quad (5.9)$$

(ii) When $\dot{A} = C' = 0$. By a transformation of t we take the coordinate system in which $C = 1$. From (L) and (M), we have

$$\tau = \int \sqrt{e(1-A(r))} dr, \quad \mu = t, \quad (5.10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta^\alpha = & [-(\lambda/\sqrt{A}) \sin \theta \cos \phi, \quad -(\,,) \sin \theta \sin \phi, \quad -(\,,) \cos \theta, \\ & -1/\sqrt{A}, 0], \end{aligned} \quad (5.11)$$

and (5.7) and (5.9) also hold.

In both cases if we express r^2 as a function of z^4 and z^5 i.e. $r^2 = \psi(z^4, z^5)$, then the S_L is expressible as a hypersurface $(z^1)^2 + (z^2)^2 + (z^3)^2 = \psi(z^4, z^5)$ in flat space whose ds^2 is given by the left hand side of (5.7).

Next we shall deal with an S_{II} satisfying $\xi=0$ in the coordinate system of (4.2). Then, evidently, the solution z^α of (L) and (M) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} z^1 &= \sqrt{B} \sin \theta \cos \phi, & z^2 &= \sqrt{B} \sin \theta \sin \phi, & z^3 &= \sqrt{B} \cos \theta, \\ z^4 &= r, & z^5 &= t, \end{aligned} \quad (5.12)$$

b_{ij} being omitted, and similar results as in the case of S_I are obtained.

As for the case of S_0 of class two we can easily show that the concrete form of z^α , ($\alpha=1, \dots, 6$), in the case of S_I given by (2.1), is given by

$$\begin{aligned} z^1 &= r \sin \theta \cos \phi, & z^2 &= r \sin \theta \sin \phi, & z^3 &= r \cos \theta, \\ z^4 &= z^4(r, t), & z^5 &= z^5(r, t), & z^6 &= z^6(r, t), \end{aligned} \quad (5.13)$$

where z^4 , z^5 and z^6 are solutions of

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_\rho e_\rho \left(\frac{\partial z^\rho}{\partial r} \right)^2 &= 1 - A, & \sum_\rho e_\rho \frac{\partial z^\rho}{\partial r} \frac{\partial z^\rho}{\partial t} &= 0, \\ \sum_\rho e_\rho \left(\frac{\partial z^\rho}{\partial t} \right)^2 &= C, & (\rho = 4, 5, 6), \end{aligned} \quad (5.14)$$

and $e_\rho = \pm 1$ are taken so as z 's become real. Similarly we can easily obtain z 's for S_{II} of class two.

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Notes and References

- 1) This paper is a continuation of Journ. Math. Soc. Japan **3** (1952), 317; Journ. Sci. Hiroshima Univ., **16** (1952), 67. They are cited as (I) and (II) respectively and the same notations as in those papers are used throughout the present paper.
- 2) See (II).
- 3) L. P. Eisenhart, *Riemannian Geometry*, Princeton (1926), 189. See also next 4).
- 4) J. Eiesland, Trans. Amer. Math. Soc., **27** (1925), 213. Although this theorem is true certainly as is seen from his proof, his argument concerning S_{II} seems to be somewhat insufficient. See also §4 of the present paper.
- 5) See (I).
- 6) This theorem is also proved by Eiesland, loc. cit., 240. But his conclusion is somewhat insufficient i.e. the first condition $A \neq 1$ (i.e. $D = (23, 23)/\sin^2 \theta \neq 0$ by his notations) is missed.
- 7) L. P. Eisenhart, loc. cit., 149.
- 8) In this space-time rank of the matrix $[b_{ij}]$ is two and only two of its principal radii of normal curvature in five dimensional flat space are finite. And the solution b_{ij} of (F) and (G) is not determined uniquely. The transformation (2.4) corresponds to the b_{ij} whose $b_2^2 = b_3^3 = \sqrt{e(1-A)}/r\sqrt{A}$ and other $b_{ij}=0$ where e is taken so as $e(1-A)>0$. Transformations in case of $b_{23} \neq 0$ are somewhat complicated.

9) Further, If we express α , β and γ by ρ 's, we have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha = \{2\rho + (\rho \sin^2 \omega + \rho \cos^2 \omega)\}/4, \\ \beta = \{2\rho + (\rho^2 \cos^2 \omega + \rho \sin^2 \omega)\}/4, \\ \gamma = \frac{1}{4} i \sqrt{A/C} (\rho - \rho) \sin \omega \cos \omega, \end{array} \right. \quad (N. 1)$$

where ω is a parameter. This relation is not invariant under transformation of r and t . If we use (3.1) and (N.1), scalars made from g_{ij} and K_{ijlm} by algebraic processes are expressible in terms of ρ 's e. g.,

$$K = -4(\alpha + \beta) - 2(\xi + \eta) = -\frac{1}{2}\{\rho + 3(\rho + \rho) + 8\rho\},$$

$$\epsilon^{ijlm} \epsilon_{pqrs} K_{ij}^{pq} K_{lm}^{rs} = 32\{2(\alpha \beta + C \gamma^2/A) + \xi \eta\} = 4\{6(\rho)^2 + 3\rho(\rho + \rho) + \rho\rho + \rho\rho\}, \text{ etc.}$$

10) R. C. Tolman, *Relativity, Thermodynamics and Cosmology*, Oxford (1934), 370.

11) H. Takeno, This Journal, 12 (1942), 125.

12) Using this coordinate system we can obtain

$$b_{22} = \sqrt{B}, b_{33} = \sqrt{B} \sin^2 \theta, \text{ other } b_{ij} = 0,$$

as a solution of (F) and (G). Another solutions of different types may exist. The rank of $[b_{ij}]$ is two as in the case of (2.3).

13) L. P. Eisenhart, loc. cit., 197.