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ON HYPERSURFACES IN SASAKIAN MANIFOLDS

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§1. Introduction.

Recently, Okumura [3] has studied hypersurfaces of an odd dimensional sphere S^{n+1} and obtained a sufficient condition for a hypersurface M in S^{n+1} to be totally umbilical. Also, Watanabe [6] has studied totally umbilical hypersurfaces in a Sasakian manifold and proved

THEOREM (Watanabe). Let M be a complete orientable connected totally umbilical hypersurface in a Sasakian manifold. If M is of constant mean curvature H, then M is isometric with a sphere of radius $1/\sqrt{1+H^2}$ in the Euclidean space.

It might be interesting to obtain other sufficient conditions that a hypersurface in a Sasakian manifold is isometric to a sphere. In § 2, we recall first of all the definition of a Sasakian manifold and those parts of the theory of hypersurfaces in a Sasakian manifold which are necessary for what follows. Some general properties of a hypersurface in a Sasakian manifold are derived in § 2. In § 3, taking account of the theorem above, we prove Theorem 3. 3.

This theorem plays an important role in § 5. In § 4 we shall consider a totally umbilical hypersurface in certain Sasakian manifolds. In the last section we prove the main

THEOREM. Let M (n>2) be a complete orientable connected hypersurface in a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} . If the contact form η over \tilde{M} is not tangent to M almost everywhere and if f commutes with h, then M is isometric with a sphere of radius $1/\sqrt{1+H^2}$ in a Euclidean space.

§ 2. Preliminaries.

An (n+1)-dimensional contact metric manifold is by definition a Riemannian manifold admitting a structure $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \tilde{g}), \eta = (\eta_{\lambda})$ being a 1-form, $\xi = (\xi^{\lambda})$ a contravariant vector field, $\varphi = (\varphi_{\lambda}^{\mu})$ a (1, 1)-type tensor field and $\tilde{g} = (\tilde{g}_{\lambda\mu})$ the Riemannian metric tensor, which is positive definite, such that

(2.1)
$$\varphi_{\alpha}{}^{\lambda}\xi^{\alpha}=0, \qquad \varphi_{\lambda}{}^{\alpha}\eta_{\alpha}=0, \qquad \xi^{\alpha}\eta_{\alpha}=1,$$

(2. 2)
$$\varphi_{\mu}{}^{\alpha}\varphi_{\alpha}{}^{\nu} = -\delta_{\mu}{}^{\nu} + \eta_{\mu}\xi^{\nu},$$

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(2.3)
$$\eta_{\lambda} = \tilde{g}_{\lambda\alpha} \xi^{\alpha}, {}^{1}$$

(2. 4)
$$\tilde{g}_{\alpha\beta}\varphi_{\lambda}{}^{\alpha}\varphi_{\mu}{}^{\beta} = \tilde{g}_{\lambda\mu} - \eta_{\lambda}\eta_{\mu},$$

(2.5)
$$\varphi_{\lambda\mu} \equiv \tilde{g}_{\mu\alpha} \varphi_{\lambda}^{\ \alpha} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_{\lambda} \eta_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu} \eta_{\lambda}),$$

where $(\eta_{\lambda}), (\xi^{\lambda}), (\varphi_{\lambda}^{\mu})$ and $(\tilde{g}_{\lambda\mu})$ denote respectively the components of η, ξ, φ and \tilde{g} with respect to local coordinates $\{X^{\star}\}^{(2)}$. A contact metric manifold \tilde{M} is said to be Sasakian, if the structure $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \tilde{g})$ satisfies the conditions

(2. 6)
$$\varphi_{\lambda\mu} = \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{\lambda} \eta_{\mu}, \qquad \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{\mu} \varphi_{\lambda\nu} = \eta_{\lambda} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} - \eta_{\nu} \tilde{g}_{\mu\lambda};$$

where \tilde{V} denotes the operator of the covariant differentiation with respect to \tilde{g} .

Let \tilde{M} be a Sasakian manifold and $M^{(3)}$ an orientable hypersurface represented locally by the equations

$$X^{\kappa} = X^{\kappa}(x^{i}),$$

where $\{x^i\}$ are local coordinates of *M*. If we put

$$B_i^{\ \kappa} = \frac{\partial X^{\kappa}}{\partial x^i},$$

 $B_i(i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ are linearly independent local vector fields tangent to M. The induced Riemannian metric g of the hypersurface M is given by

$$(2.7) g_{ji} = \tilde{g}_{\beta\alpha} B_j{}^{\beta} B_i{}^{\alpha}.$$

Since the Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} and the hypersurface M are both orientable, we can choose a unit normal vector field C^* along the hypersurface M in such a way that (C^*, B_i^*) form a frame having the positive sense of \tilde{M} and (B_i^*) form a frame having the positive sense of M. Then we have

(2.8)
$$\tilde{g}_{\beta\alpha}B_i{}^{\beta}C^{\alpha}=0, \quad \tilde{g}_{\beta\alpha}C^{\beta}C^{\alpha}=1.$$

The transforms $\varphi_{\alpha}{}^{\kappa}B_{i}{}^{\alpha}$ of $B_{i}{}^{\alpha}$ by $\varphi_{\alpha}{}^{\kappa}$ and $\varphi_{\alpha}{}^{\kappa}C^{\alpha}$ of C^{α} by $\varphi_{\alpha}{}^{\kappa}$ are expressed as linear combinations of $B_{i}{}^{\alpha}$ and C^{α} as follows:

$$\varphi_{\beta}^{\kappa}B_{j}^{\beta} = f_{j}^{r}B_{r}^{\kappa} + f_{j}C^{\kappa},$$
$$\varphi_{\alpha}^{\kappa}C^{\alpha} = k^{r}B_{r}^{\kappa} + q'C^{\kappa},$$
$$\eta^{\kappa} = p^{r}B_{r}^{\kappa} + qC^{\kappa},$$

- 1) In the following we use a notation η^{λ} in stead of ξ^{λ} .
- 2) The indices run over the following ranges respectively:

$$\alpha, \beta, ..., \lambda, \mu, ...=1, 2, ..., n, n+1;$$

 $h, i, ..., r, s, ...=1, 2, ..., n.$

3) In this paper we assume that M is connected.

from which

$$(2.9) f_j{}^i = B^i{}_{\alpha}\varphi_{\beta}{}^{\alpha}B_j{}^{\beta},$$

$$(2. 10) f_{j} = -k_{j} = B_{j}^{\alpha} \varphi_{\alpha}^{\beta} C_{\beta},$$

$$(2. 11) p_j = B_j^{\alpha} \eta_{\alpha},$$

$$(2. 12) q=\eta_{\alpha}C^{\alpha}, q'=0,$$

where we have denoted by $(B_{\alpha}^{i}, C_{\alpha})$ the coframe dual to the frame $(B_{\alpha}^{\alpha}, C^{\alpha})$. By virtue of (2. 1)~(2. 5) and (2. 9)~(2. 10), we have

(2.13)
$$f_{ji} \equiv g_{ir} f_j^r = -f_{ij},$$

(2. 14)
$$f_{j}^{r}f_{r}^{i} = -\delta_{j}^{i} + f_{j}f^{i} + p_{j}p^{i},$$

(2.15) $f_j^r f_r = q p_j, \quad f_j^r p_r = -q f_j,$

(2. 16)
$$f^r f_r = p^r p_r = 1 - q^2, \quad f^r p_r = 0.$$

Now, denoting by V the symbol of the covariant differentiation along the hypersurface M, we have respectively the equations of Gauss and Weingarten

where $\{\widetilde{p}_{a}^{\epsilon}\}$ (resp. $\{j_{i}^{h}\}$) are the Christaffels symbols with respect to \widetilde{g} (resp. g) and h_{ji} are components of the second fundamental tensor of M. Differentiating covariantly (2. 9)~(2. 12) along the hypersurface M, we obtain

(2. 17)
$$\nabla_k f_{ji} = p_j g_{ki} - p_i g_{kj} + f_j h_{ki} - f_i h_{kj},$$

(2. 18)
$$\nabla_{j}f_{i} = -qg_{ji} - f_{i}^{r}h_{rj},$$

$$(2.20) \nabla_j q = f_j - p^r h_{rj}.$$

We here prove an identity for the later use. Operating V_k to (2. 20) and taking account of (2. 18) and (2. 19), we have

(2. 21)
$$\nabla_k \nabla_j q = -qg_{kj} - f_j^r h_{rk} - (f_k^r + qh_k^r) h_{rj} - p^r \nabla_k h_{jr}.$$

If we subtract (2.21) from the equation obtained by interchanging the indices k and j in (2.21), we obtain

$$(2. 22) \qquad p^r(\overline{\nu}_k h_{jr} - \overline{\nu}_j h_{kr}) = 0,$$

§ 3. Totally umbilical hypersurfaces.

When, at each point of the hypersurface M, the second fundamental tensor h_{ji} is proportional to the induced Riemannian tensor g_{ji} of M, i.e., when the condition

$$(3.1) h_{ji} = Hg_{ji}$$

is satisfied, the hypersurface M is called a *totally umbilical hypersurface*. The proportional factor H is the mean curvature of the hypersurface. A totally umbilical hypersurface with vanishing mean curvature is said to be *totally geodesic*. We shall prove now that, for an orientable totally umbilical hypersurface M of a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} the mean curvature H is constant.

If we put $M_0 = \{(x^i) \in M | q^2(x^i) \neq 1\}$, then M_0 is an open set in M. We assume now that M_0 is not empty. Then, substituting (3.1) into (2.22), we obtain

$$p_j \nabla_k H - p_k \nabla_j H = 0.$$

Contracting this with p^{j} and making use of (2.16), we get

$$(1-q^2)\nabla_k H = p_k p^r \nabla_r H,$$

from which

$$(3.2) \nabla_k H = \alpha p_k$$

in M_0 , where α is a certain scalar function defined over M_0 . Differentiating this covariantly, we have

$$\nabla_{j}\nabla_{k}H = p_{k}\nabla_{j}\alpha + \alpha\nabla_{j}p_{k}.$$

If we take the skew-symmetric part of this tensor equation and take account of (2. 19), we have

$$p_k \nabla_j \alpha - p_j \nabla_k \alpha + 2\alpha f_{jk} = 0.$$

Transvecting the last equation with f^{kj} and $f^{j}p^{k}$ respectively, we have

$$qf^{j}\nabla_{j}\alpha - \alpha(n-2+2q^{2}) = 0,$$

(1-q²)(f^{j}\nabla_{j}\alpha - 2\alpha q) = 0.

In M_0 , from the two equations above we have $(n-2)\alpha=0$. Thus we get $\alpha=0$ if n>2. Therefore from (3.2) we see that the mean curvature H is locally constant in M_0 , that is, it satisfies $V_iH=0$. Consequently we have

LEMMA 3.1. If M_0 is not empty, the mean curvature H of a totally umbilical hypersurface M (n>2) is locally constant in M_0 .

Next, if we put $M_1 = \{(x^i) \in M | \mathcal{V}_k H(x^i) = 0\}$, then we see that $M - M_1$ is an

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open set in M and we have $M-M_1 \subset M-M_0$ by virtue of Lemma 3.1. Hence, by virtue of definition of M_0 , we get $q^2=1$ in $M-M_1$. Therefore, we have $f_i=p_i=0$ in $M-M_1$ by virtue of (2.16). We assume now that $M-M_1$ is not empty. Then $M-M_1$ being an open set in M, we find

(3. 3)
$$qg_{ji} + Hf_{ji} = 0,$$

if we differentiate $f_i=0$ covariantly and take account of (2.18) and (3.1). If we add (3.3) to the equation obtained by interchanging the indices j and i in (3.3) and take account of (2.13), we have $qg_{ji}=0$. Thus we get q=0 in $M-M_1$, which contradicts the condition $q^2=1$. Since M is connected, the mean curvature H is constant over M. Consequently we have

THEOREM 3.2. Let M(n>2) be an orientable connected totally umbilical hypersurface of a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} . Then the mean curvature H is constant over M.

Combining Theorem (Watanabe) stated in §1 and Theorem 3.2, we have immediately

THEOREM 3.3. Let M(n>2) be a complete orientable connected totally umbilical hypersurface in a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} . Then M is isometric with a sphere of radius $1/\sqrt{1+H^2}$ in a Euclidean space.

§4. Totally umbilical hypersurfaces of a certain Sasakian manifold.

Watanabe [6] has proved

LEMMA 4.1. If M is an orientable totally umbilical hypersurface with constant mean curvature in a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} , then the scalar function q is not constant in M.

This lemma plays an important role in this section.

When the Ricci tensor of a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} has components of the form

(4.1)
$$\tilde{R}_{\lambda\mu} = a \tilde{g}_{\lambda\mu} + b \eta_{\lambda} \eta_{\mu},$$

then \tilde{M} is called a *C*-Einstein (η -Einstein) manifold. In such a manifold \tilde{M} , *a* and *b* are necessarily constants (Cf. Okumura [1]). A *C*-Einstein manifold is Einstein if b=0. When the curvature tensor of a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} has components of the form

(4. 2)
$$\widetilde{R}_{\lambda\mu\nu\kappa} = (k+1)(\widetilde{g}_{\mu\nu}\widetilde{g}_{\lambda\kappa} - \widetilde{g}_{\mu\kappa}\widetilde{g}_{\lambda\nu}) + k(\varphi_{\mu\nu}\varphi_{\lambda\kappa} - \varphi_{\mu\kappa}\varphi_{\lambda\nu} - 2\varphi_{\lambda\mu}\varphi_{\nu\kappa}) + k(\eta_{\mu}\eta_{\kappa}\widetilde{g}_{\lambda\nu} - \eta_{\mu}\eta_{\nu}\widetilde{g}_{\lambda\kappa} + \widetilde{g}_{\mu\kappa}\eta_{\lambda}\eta_{\nu} - \widetilde{g}_{\nu\mu}\eta_{\lambda}\eta_{\kappa}),$$

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then \tilde{M} is called a locally C-Fubinian manifold (Tashiro and Tachibana [5]). In such a manifold \tilde{M} , k is necessarily constant. A locally C-Fubinian manifold is necessarily C-Einstein,

In the first place, we consider a totally umbilical hypersurface M of a C-Einstein manifold \tilde{M} . From the Codazzi equation of the hypersurface

(4.3)
$$\nabla_k h_{ji} - \nabla_j h_{ki} = B_k^{\lambda} B_j^{\mu} B_i^{\nu} C^{\kappa} \widetilde{R}_{\lambda \mu \nu \kappa},$$

we have

$$\nabla_r h_i{}^r - \nabla_i h_r{}^r = -C^* B_i{}^{\mu} \widetilde{R}_{s\mu}.$$

Making use of (4.1), this reduces to

As the hypersurface M is totally umbilical, by virtue of Theorem 3.2, the mean curvature H is constant in M if n>2. Thus we obtain $bqp_i=0$. Hence if we assume that a C-Einstein manifold \tilde{M} is not Einstein, i.e., $b \neq 0$, then we have $qp_i=0$. Differentiating this covariantly and making use of (2.19) and $h_{ji}=Hg_{ji}$, we obtain

$$(f_j - Hp_j)p_i + q(f_{ji} + Hqg_{ji}) = 0.$$

Transvecting this with f^{j} and making use of $qp_{i}=0$, (2.15) and (2.16), it follows that

$$p_i + Hq^2 f_i = 0.$$

Transvecting this with p^i and taking account of (2.16), we get $1-q^2=0$. This contradicts Lemma 4.1. Thus we have b=0. Consequently, we have

THEOREM 4.2. If an orientable hypersurface M (n>2) in a C-Einstein manifold \tilde{M} is a totally umbilical hypersurface, then a C-Einstein manifold \tilde{M} is necessarily Einstein (Watanabe [6]).

COROLLARY 4.3. Let \tilde{M} be a C-Einstein manifold. If \tilde{M} is not Einstein, then there is no orientable totally umbilical hypersurface M (n > 2).

In the next place, we shall consider a totally umbilical hypersurface in a locally C-Fubinian manifold \tilde{M} . If we substitute (4. 2) into (4. 3), it follows that

$$\nabla_k h_{ji} - \nabla_j h_{ki} = k(f_{ji}f_k - f_{ki}f_j - 2f_{kj}f_i) + kq(g_{ki}p_j - g_{ji}p_k).$$

Since, by Theorem 3.2 the mean curvature H is constant, the equation above reduces to

$$k(f_{ji}f_k - f_{ki}f_j - 2f_{kj}f_i) + kq(g_{ki}p_j - g_{ji}p_k) = 0.$$

Transvecting this with g^{ji} and making use of (2.15) and of Lemma 4.1, we get k=0. Therefore we have

THEOREM 4.4. If an orientable hypersurface M(n>2) in a locally C-Fubinian manifold \widetilde{M} is a totally umbilical hypersurface, then a locally C-Fubinian manifold

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 \tilde{M} is necessarily of constant curvature.

COROLLARY 4.5. Let \tilde{M} be a locally C-Fubinian manifold. If \tilde{M} is not of constant curvature, then there is no orientable totally umbilical hypersurface M (n>2).

§ 5. Determination of the hypersurfaces.

In this section we assume that the 1-form η over a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} is not tangent to a hypersurface M almost everywhere. Moreover, we assume that f commutes with h, i.e.,

(5.1)
$$f_{j}^{r}h_{r}^{i}=h_{j}^{r}f_{r}^{i}$$
.

The following Lemma is known [3].

LEMMA 5.1. If f commutes with h and if the 1-form η over \tilde{M} is not tangent to M almost everywhere, then we have

(5. 2)
$$h_{ji}f^{j}p^{i}=0,$$

$$(5.3) h_{ji}f^{j}f^{i} = h_{ji}p^{j}p^{i}$$

Now, transvecting (5.1) with $f_{k^{j}}$ and making use of (2.14), we get

(5.4)
$$-h_{ki} + p_k p^r h_{ri} + f_k f^r h_{ri} = -h_{rs} f_k^r f_i^s.$$

If we subtract (5.4) from the equation obtained by interchanging the indices k and i in (5.4), it follows that

$$p_k p^r h_{ri} - p_i p^r h_{rk} + f_k f^r h_{ri} - f_i f^r h_{rk} = 0.$$

Transvecting this with p^k and with f^k and taking account of (2.16) and (5.2), we find respectively

(5.5)
$$(1-q^2)p^kh_{kj}-p_jh_{rs}p^rp^s=0, \\ (1-q^2)f^kh_{kj}-f_jh_{rs}f^rf^s=0.$$

Now, if we put $M_0 = \{(x^i) \in M | q^2(x^i) \neq 1\}$, then M_0 is an open set in M. We suppose now that M_0 is not empty. Then we have from (5.5)

$$(5.6) h_{rj}p^r = \alpha p_j, h_{rj}f^j = \alpha f_j$$

in M_0 , where α is a differentiable function defined over M_0 . Differentiating (5.6) covariantly, we get in M_0

$$(f_k^r + qh_k^r)h_{rj} + p^r \nabla_k h_{jr} = p_j \nabla_k \alpha + \alpha (f_{kj} + qh_{kj})$$

because M_0 is open and non-empty. If we take the skew-symmetric part of this tensor equation and take account of (2.22) and (5.1), we obtain

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(5.7)
$$2f_k{}^r h_{rj} = p_j \nabla_k \alpha - p_k \nabla_j \alpha + 2\alpha f_{kj}$$

Transvecting (5.7) with p^{j} and making use of (2.16) and (5.6), we get in M_{0}

where β is a certain function defined in M_0 . Differentiating (5.8) covariantly, we obtain

$$\nabla_{j}\nabla_{k}\alpha = p_{k}\nabla_{j}\beta + \beta\nabla_{j}p_{k}$$

If we subtract this from the equation obtained by interchanging the indices j and k in this and take account of (2.19), we have

$$p_k \nabla_j \beta - p_j \nabla_k \beta + 2\beta f_{jk} = 0.$$

Transvecting this with f^{jk} and with $f^{j}p^{k}$, we get respectively

(5. 9)
$$q \nabla_{j} \beta f^{j} = (n-2+2q^{2})\beta, \\ (1-q^{2}) (\nabla_{j} \beta f^{j} - 2\beta q) = 0,$$

where we have used (2.13)~(2.16). As a consequence of (5.9), if n>2, we have $\beta=0$, which implies together with (5.8) that α satisfies $V_{j}\alpha=0$ in M_0 . Thus by virtue of (5.7), we have

$$f_k^r h_{rj} = \alpha f_{kj},$$

from which

 $(5. 10) h_{ji} = \alpha g_{ji}.$

Therefore we proved

LEMMA 5.2. If M_0 is not empty, the hypersurface M (n>2) is umbilical at each point of M_0 .

In the next place, let M_1 be the set of all umbilical point of M. Then, we see that $M-M_1$ is an open set in M and we have from Lemma 5.2 $M-M_1 \subset M-M_0$. Hence, by definition of M_0 , we get $q^2=1$ in $M-M_1$. Thus we get $f_j=p_j=0$ in $M-M_1$ by virtue of (2.16). We assume now that $M-M_1$ is not empty. Then $M-M_1$ being open in M, if we differentiate $f_i=0$ covariantly and take account of (2.18), we obtain

$$qg_{ji}+f_i^sh_{sj}=0.$$

If we take the symmetric part of this tensor equation and take account of (5.1), we get $qg_{ji}=0$. Thus we have q=0 in $M-M_1$, which contradicts the condition $q^2=1$. Therefore the set $M-M_1$ is necessarily empty.

Summing up the results obtained above, we get

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THEOREM 5.3. Let M(n>2) be an orientable connected hypersurface of a Sasakian manifold \tilde{M} . If the contact form η over \tilde{M} is not tangent to M almost everywhere and if f commutes with h, then the hypersurface M is totally umbilical.

Combining Theorem 3.3 and 5.3, we have immediately the main theorem stated in 1.

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