

Sufficient conditions for an almost-Hermitian manifold to be Kählerian

Dedicated to Professor Y. Katsurada on her 60th birthday

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§0. Introduction

If an almost-Hermitian manifold M is a Kählerian manifold, then its curvature tensor R satisfies

$$(*) \quad R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0 \quad \text{for all tangent vectors } X \text{ and } Y,$$

where the endomorphism $R(X, Y)$ operates on the almost-complex structure tensor F as a derivation at each point on M .

Conversely, does this algebraic condition $(*)$ on the almost-complex structure tensor field F imply that M is a Kählerian manifold? For an almost-Kählerian manifold or a K -space, Kotō and the present author (Sawaki and Kotō [3]) already showed that the answer is affirmative, that is,

THEOREM A. *If an almost-Kählerian manifold or a K -space M satisfies $S = S^*$, then M is Kählerian, where S is the scalar curvature and $S^* = \frac{1}{2} F^{ab} R_{ab}{}^c F_c{}^t$.*

In this theorem, the condition $S = S^*$ is weaker than $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, in fact, $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$ implies $S = S^*$.

This problem for an almost-Kählerian manifold has also been studied recently by Goldberg [1] and under some additional conditions the present author [4] has proved the following

THEOREM B. *If an almost-Hermitian manifold M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, $R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla F = 0$ for all tangent vectors X and Y ,
- (ii) $\nabla_{[j} S_{i]k} = 0$ (or equivalently $\nabla_i R^t{}_{jkh} = 0$),
- (iii) the Ricci form is definite,

then M is Kählerian.

THEOREM C. *If a compact Hermitian manifold M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, $R(X, Y) \cdot \Omega = 0$ for all tangent vectors X and Y ,¹⁾

1) In the sequel, we omit "for all tangent vectors X and Y ".

(ii) the Ricci form is definite,

then M is Kählerian, where Ω is the exterior derivative of the 2-form $F_{ji} dx^j \wedge dx^i$.

The purpose of the present paper is to obtain other conditions for an almost-Hermitian manifold to be Kählerian. In §1 we shall give some definitions and a proposition about the purity and hybridity of tensors. In §2 we shall prepare some lemmas for later use. The main results in an almost-Hermitian manifold and an $*O$ -space will be stated in §3 and §4 respectively. Particularly, in §3 we shall give an affirmative answer to the above question in the case where M is a locally symmetric and irreducible almost-Hermitian manifold (Corollary 1).

§1. Prelimiuaries

Let M be a $2n$ -dim. almost-Hermitian manifold with local coordinates $\{x^i\}$ and the structure (F_j^i, g_{ji}) . Then by definition we have

$$(1.1) \quad F_j^t F_t^i = -\delta_j^i,$$

$$(1.2) \quad g_{ab} F_j^a F_i^b = g_{ji},$$

$$(1.3) \quad F_{ji} = -F_{ij}$$

where $F_{ji} = F_j^t g_{ti}$.

If an almost-Hermitian manifold M satisfies

$$(1.4) \quad \Omega_{jih} = \nabla_j F_{ih} + \nabla_i F_{hj} + \nabla_h F_{ji} = 0,$$

where ∇_j denotes the operator of covariant derivative with respect to the Riemannian connection, then it is called an almost-Kählerian manifold and if it satisfies

$$(1.5) \quad \nabla_j F_{ih} + \nabla_i F_{jh} = 0,$$

then it is called K -space (or Tachibana space or nearly Kähler manifold). Moreover, an almost-Hermitian manifold is called a Hermitian manifold if it satisfies $N_{ji}^h = 0$ where N_{ji}^h is the Nijenhuis tensor, that is,

$$N_{ji}^h = F_j^t (\partial_t F_i^h - \partial_i F_t^h) - F_i^t (\partial_t F_j^h - \partial_j F_t^h)$$

and an almost-Kählerian manifold satisfying $N_{ji}^h = 0$ is called a Kählerian manifold.

Now, in an almost-Hermitian manifold, we define the following operators [6],

$$O_{ih}^{mt} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta_i^m \delta_h^t - F_i^m F_h^t), \quad *O_{ih}^{mt} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta_i^m \delta_h^t + F_i^m F_h^t).$$

A general tensor $T_{ji}{}^h$ (resp. $T_{jh}{}^i$), for example, is said to be *pure* in j, i , if it satisfies $*O_{ji}{}^{ab}T_{ab}{}^h=0$ (resp. $*O_{jb}{}^{ai}T_{ah}{}^b=0$) and $T_{ji}{}^h$ (resp. $T_{jh}{}^i$) is said to be *hybrid* in j, i , if it satisfies $O_{ji}{}^{ab}T_{ab}{}^h=0$ (resp. $O_{jb}{}^{ai}T_{ah}{}^b=0$).

Then, an almost-Hermitian manifold satisfying

$$(1.6) \quad *O_{ji}{}^{ab}\nabla_a F_{bh} = 0$$

is called an $*O$ -space and it is well known that almost-Kählerian manifold and K-space are both $*O$ -spaces.²⁾

We can easily verify the following

PROPOSITION

(1) If $T_{jh}{}^i$ is *pure* (resp. *hybrid*) in j, i , then

$$F_t{}^i T_{jh}{}^t = F_j{}^t T_{th}{}^i \quad (\text{resp. } F_t{}^i T_{jh}{}^t = -F_j{}^t T_{th}{}^i).$$

If $T_{ji}{}^h$ is *pure* (resp. *hybrid*) in j, i then

$$F_j{}^t T_{ti}{}^h = F_i{}^t T_{jt}{}^h \quad (\text{resp. } F_j{}^t T_{ti}{}^h = -F_i{}^t T_{jt}{}^h).$$

(2) Let $T_{ji}{}^h$ be *pure* in j, i . If $S_{jk}{}^i$ is *pure* (resp. *hybrid*) in j, i , then $T_{jr}{}^h S_{ik}{}^r$ is *pure* (resp. *hybrid*) in j, i .

(3) If $T_{ji}{}^h$ is *pure* in j, i and $S_k{}^{ji}$ is *hybrid* in j, i , then

$$T_{ji}{}^h S_k{}^{ji} = 0.$$

(4) In an almost-Hermitian manifold, $\nabla_j F_{ih}$ or $\nabla_j F^{ih}$ is *pure* in i, h .

(5) In an almost-Hermitian manifold, $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$ means that $R_{abj}{}^i$ is *pure* in j, i and *hybrid* in a, b .

§ 2. Lemmas

In this section, we shall prove some lemmas for later use. The following lemma is well known.

LEMMA 2.1. (Yano and Mogi [5]) In order that an almost-Hermitian manifold be Kählerian, it is necessary and sufficient that $\nabla_j F_{ih} = 0$.

LEMMA 2.2. In an almost-Hermitian manifold, $*O_{ji}{}^{ab}\nabla_a F_{bh} = 0$ is equivalent to $*O_{ji}{}^{ab}\Omega_{abh} = 0$.

PROOF. If $*O_{ji}{}^{ab}\nabla_a F_{bh} = 0$, then by Proposition (4), we have $*O_{ji}{}^{ab}\Omega_{abh} = 0$. Conversely, when

$$\nabla_j F_{ih} + \nabla_i F_{hj} + \nabla_h F_{ji} + F_j{}^a F_i{}^b (\nabla_a F_{bh} + \nabla_b F_{ha} + \nabla_h F_{ab}) = 0$$

or by Proposition (4),

2) For example, see S. Sawaki [2].

$$(2.1) \quad \nabla_j F_{ih} + F_j^a F_i^b \nabla_a F_{bh} = \nabla_i F_{jh} + F_j^a F_i^b \nabla_b F_{ah},$$

if we put

$$T_{jih} = \nabla_j F_{ih} + F_j^a F_i^b \nabla_a F_{bh},$$

then (2.1) shows that T_{jih} is symmetric in j, i . But, since T_{jih} is skew-symmetric in i, h , we obtain $T_{jih} = 0$, that is, $*O_{ji}^{ab} \nabla_a F_{bh} = 0$.

LEMMA 2.3. *In an almost-Hermitian manifold M satisfying $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, $\nabla_Z R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$ is equivalent to $R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla_Z F = 0$.*

PROOF. Since (1, 1) type tensor $R(X, Y)$ or F operates as a derivation on the tensor algebra of the tangent space $T_x(M)$ at each point $x \in M$, $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$ is equivalent to $[R(X, Y), F] = 0$ where $[A, B]$ means $AB - BA$ for (1, 1) type tensors A and B .

Thus, lemma follows from the identity :

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_Z [R(X, Y), F] &= [\nabla_Z R(X, Y), F] + [R(\nabla_Z X, Y), F] \\ &\quad + [R(X, \nabla_Z Y), F] + [R(X, Y), \nabla_Z F]. \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2.4. *In an almost-Hermitian manifold M , $R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla_W \nabla_Z F = 0$ implies $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$.*

PROOF. From $R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla_W \nabla_Z F = 0$, we have

$$(2.2) \quad R_{abj}{}^s \nabla_c \nabla_a F_{si} + R_{abi}{}^s \nabla_c \nabla_a F_{js} = 0.$$

Transvecting (2.2) with F^{ji} , we have

$$2R_{abj}{}^s F^{ji} \nabla_c \nabla_a F_{si} = 0$$

or

again transvecting with $g^{ac} g^{bd}$, then this equation turns out to be

$$F^{ji} R_{abj}{}^s (\nabla_a \nabla_b F_{si} - \nabla_b \nabla_a F_{si}) = 0,$$

where

$$F^{ji} = g^{aj} g^{bi} F_{ab}, \quad R_{abj}{}^s = g^{ac} g^{bd} R_{cdj}{}^s \quad \text{etc.}$$

Thus, by Ricci identity, we have

$$F^{ji} R_{abj}{}^s (R_{abs}{}^t F_{ti} + R_{abi}{}^t F_{st}) = 0$$

or

$$R_{abj}{}^s (R_{abjs} + F_j{}^i F_t{}^s R_{abi}{}^t) = 0$$

or

$$\frac{1}{2} (R_{abj}{}^s + F_j{}^i F_t{}^s R_{abi}{}^t) (R^{abj}{}_s + F_c{}^j F_s{}^a R^{abc}{}_a) = 0$$

from which it follows that

$$R_{abj}{}^s + F_j{}^i F_i{}^s R_{abi}{}^t = 0,$$

that is, $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, by virtue of Proposition (5).

§ 3. Theorems in an almost-Hermitian manifold

THEOREM 3.1. *If an almost-Hermitian manifold M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0, \quad \nabla_Z R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0,$
- (ii) *the rank of the Ricci form is maximum,*

then M is Kählerian.

PROOF. By Lemma 2.3, from (i) we have $R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla_Z F = 0$, that is,

$$(3.1) \quad R_{abj}{}^s \nabla_m F_{si} + R_{abi}{}^s \nabla_m F_{js} = 0$$

or transvecting (3.1) with g^{bj} , we have

$$(3.2) \quad S^{as} \nabla_m F_{si} + R^{ab}{}^s{}_i \nabla_m F_{bs} = 0.$$

On the other hand, making use of the first Bianchi identity, we have

$$\begin{aligned} R^{ab}{}^s{}_i \nabla_m F_{bs} &= \frac{1}{2} (R^{ab}{}^s{}_i - R^{as}{}^b{}_i) \nabla_m F_{bs} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} R^{a}{}^s{}_i{}^{sb} \nabla_m F_{bs}. \end{aligned}$$

But, by the assumption $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, $R^{a}{}^s{}_i{}^{sb}$ is hybrid in s, b and by Proposition (4), $\nabla_m F_{bs}$ is pure in b, s and therefore the last term vanishes, by virtue of Proposition (3).

Thus, from (3.2), we have

$$S^{as} \nabla_m F_{si} = 0.$$

Consequently, by the assumption (ii), we have $\nabla_m F_{si} = 0$ which shows that M is Kählerian, by virtue of Lemma (2.1).

Since a locally symmetric and irreducible almost-Hermitian manifold is an Einstein manifold, we have the following

COROLLARY 1. *If a locally symmetric and irreducible almost-Hermitian manifold M with $S \neq 0$ satisfies $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, then M is Kählerian.*

COROLLARY 2. *If an almost-Hermitian manifold M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla_Z F = 0, \quad R(X, Y) \cdot \nabla_W \nabla_Z F = 0,$
- (ii) *the rank of the Ricci form is maximum,*

then M is Kählerian.

PROOF. This follows directly from Lemma 2.4 and Theorem 3.1.

§ 4. Theorems in an *O-space

THEOREM 4.1. *If an *O-space M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0, \quad R(X, Y) \cdot \Omega = 0,$
- (ii) *the rank of the Ricci form is maximum,*

then M is Kählerian.

PROOF. From $R(X, Y) \cdot \Omega = 0$, we have

$$R_{abj}{}^s \Omega_{sih} + R_{abi}{}^s \Omega_{jsh} + R_{abh}{}^s \Omega_{jis} = 0.$$

Transvecting this equation with g^{bj} , we have

$$(4.1) \quad S^{as} \Omega_{sih} + R^{ab}{}^s{}_{i} \Omega_{bsh} + R^{ab}{}^s{}_{h} \Omega_{bis} = 0$$

Now, the second term of the left hand side of (4.1), by the first Bianchi identity, can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} R^{ab}{}^s{}_{i} \Omega_{bsh} &= \frac{1}{2} (R^{ab}{}^s{}_{i} - R^{as}{}^b{}_{i}) \Omega_{bsh} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} R^{a}{}_{i}{}^{sb} \Omega_{bsh} \end{aligned}$$

and this last term vanishes by virtue of Proposition (3), because by the assumption $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, $R^{a}{}_{i}{}^{sb}$ is hybrid in s, b , and by Lemma 2.2, Ω_{bsh} is pure in s, b . Similarly, the third term of (4.1) also vanishes.

Thus, (4.1) becomes

$$S^{as} \Omega_{sih} = 0$$

from which it follows that $\Omega_{sih} = 0$, by virtue of (ii), that is, M is an almost-Kählerian manifold and therefore Theorem A proves the theorem.

THEOREM 4.2. *In an *O-space M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0, \quad R(X, Y) \cdot N = 0,$
- (ii) $\nabla_{[j} S_{i]h} = 0$ (or equivalently $\nabla^t R_{tjih} = 0$),
- (iii) *the Ricci form is definite,*

then M is Kählerian.

PROOF. First we note that in an *O-space the Nijenhuis tensor can be written as

$$N_{jih} = 2F_j^t (\nabla_t F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{th}).$$

Hence, making use of the assumption $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, from $R(X, Y) \cdot N = 0$, we have

$$2F_j^t \left[\nabla_a \nabla_b (\nabla_t F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{th}) - \nabla_b \nabla_a (\nabla_t F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{th}) \right] = 0.$$

Transvecting this equation with $\frac{1}{2} F_k^j$ and using Ricci identity, we have

$$(4.2) \quad R_{abk}{}^s (\nabla_s F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{sh}) + R_{ab i}{}^s (\nabla_k F_{sh} - \nabla_s F_{kh}) + R_{ab h}{}^s (\nabla_k F_{is} - \nabla_i F_{ks}) = 0.$$

Multiplying (4.2) by $g^{bk} (\nabla^a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F^{ah})$, we have

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} S^{as} (\nabla_s F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{sh}) (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) \\ = -R^{ab}{}^i{}^s (\nabla_b F_{sh} - \nabla_s F_{bh}) (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) \\ + R^{ab}{}^h{}^s \nabla_i F_{bs} (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) + R^{abh}{}^s (\nabla_b F_{is}) \nabla^i F_{ah} \\ - R^{ab}{}^h{}^s (\nabla_b F_{is}) \nabla_a F^{ih}. \end{aligned}$$

We are now going to show that the right hand side of (4.3) vanishes. Its first term, by the first Bianchi identity, turns out to be

$$\begin{aligned} R^{ab}{}^i{}^s (\nabla_b F_{sh} - \nabla_s F_{bh}) (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) \\ = \frac{1}{2} (R^{ab}{}^i{}^s - R^{as}{}^b{}^i) (\nabla_b F_{sh} - \nabla_s F_{bh}) (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) \\ = -\frac{1}{2} R^{a}{}^i{}^{sb} (\nabla_b F_{sh} - \nabla_s F_{bh}) (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore, by virtue of Proposition (3), it vanishes, because $R^{a}{}^i{}^{sb}$ is hybrid in s, b and $\nabla_b F_{sh} - \nabla_s F_{bh}$ is pure in s, b . By the same method, we can see that the second and third terms vanish. For the last term, by the assumption (ii), we have

$$R^{ab}{}^h{}^s (\nabla_b F_{is}) \nabla_a F^{ih} = \nabla_a (R^{ab}{}^h{}^s F^{ih} \nabla_b F_{is}) - R^{ab}{}^h{}^s F^{ih} \nabla_a \nabla_b F_{is}.$$

In the right hand side of this equation, by Proposition (3) we have $R^{ab}{}^h{}^s F^{ih} \nabla_b F_{is} = 0$, because by Proposition (2) $R^{ab}{}^h{}^s F^{ih}$ is hybrid in s, i and $\nabla_b F_{is}$ is pure in i, s . For the last term, since $R^{ab}{}^h{}^s$ is skew-symmetric in a, b , and by the assumption $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$, $\nabla_a \nabla_b F_{is}$ is symmetric in a, b , it vanishes.

Consequently, (4.3) becomes

$$S^{as} (\nabla_s F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{sh}) (\nabla_a F^{ih} - \nabla^i F_a{}^h) = 0$$

from which it follows that, by the assumption (iii),

$$\nabla_s F_{ih} - \nabla_i F_{sh} = 0.$$

But, since $\nabla_s F_{ih}$ is skew-symmetric in i, h , we have $\nabla_s F_{ih} = 0$ which shows

that M is Kählerian.

We conclude this section with the following theorem where the condition $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$ has been removed.

THEOREM 4.3. *If a compact almost-Kählerian manifold M satisfies*

- (i) $R(X, Y) \cdot N = 0$,
- (ii) $\nabla_{[j} S_{i]h} = 0$ (or equivalently $\nabla^t R_{tj\bar{i}h} = 0$),
- (iii) *the Ricci form is semi-negative definite,*

then M is Kählerian.

PROOF. First we note that in an almost-Kählerian manifold, the Nijenhuis tensor can be written as

$$N_{j\bar{i}}{}^h = 2F_t{}^h \nabla^t F_{j\bar{i}}.$$

Thus, from (i) we have

$$R_{ab\bar{s}}{}^h F_t{}^s \nabla^t F_{j\bar{i}} - R_{ab\bar{j}}{}^s F_t{}^h \nabla^t F_{s\bar{i}} - R_{ab\bar{i}}{}^s F_t{}^h \nabla^t F_{j\bar{s}} = 0$$

or transvecting this equation with δ_h^b ,

$$(4.4) \quad S_{as} F_t{}^s \nabla^t F_{j\bar{i}} + R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s F_t{}^h \nabla^t F_{s\bar{i}} + R_{ah\bar{i}}{}^s F_t{}^h \nabla^t F_{j\bar{s}} = 0.$$

Again transvecting (4.4) with $F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}}$, we have

$$(4.5) \quad S_{as} F_t{}^s (\nabla^t F_{j\bar{i}}) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} + R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s F_t{}^h (\nabla^t F_{s\bar{i}}) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} \\ + R_{ah\bar{i}}{}^s F_t{}^h (\nabla^t F_{j\bar{s}}) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = 0.$$

Now, the each term of (4.5), making use of Proposition (1), turns out to be the following

$$S_{as} F_t{}^s (\nabla^t F_{j\bar{i}}) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = S_{as} F_{t\bar{i}} (\nabla^s F_j{}^t) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = S_{as} (\nabla^s F_{j\bar{k}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}},$$

$$R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s F_t{}^h (\nabla^t F_{s\bar{i}}) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s F_{t\bar{i}} (\nabla^h F_s{}^t) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s (\nabla^h F_{s\bar{k}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}},$$

$$R_{ah\bar{i}}{}^s F_t{}^h (\nabla^t F_{j\bar{s}}) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = R_{ah\bar{i}}{}^s F_{t\bar{j}} (\nabla^h F_s{}^t) F_k{}^i \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = R_{ah\bar{i}}{}^s (\nabla^h F_{k\bar{s}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}},$$

respectively.

Hence, (4.5) reduces to

$$(4.6) \quad S_{as} (\nabla^s F_{j\bar{k}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} + 2R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s (\nabla^h F_{s\bar{k}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} = 0.$$

Integrating (4.6) over M and making use of Green's theorem and the assumption (ii), we have

$$\int_M S_{as} (\nabla^s F_{j\bar{k}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} dV - 2 \int_M R_{ah\bar{j}}{}^s (\nabla^h F_{s\bar{k}}) \nabla^a F^{j\bar{k}} dV = 0$$

where dV denotes the volume element of M , or by Ricci identity

$$\int_M S_{as}(\nabla^s F_{jk}) \nabla^a F^{jk} dV + \int_M R_{ahj}{}^s (R^{ah}{}^t{}_s F_{tk} + R^{ah}{}^t{}_k F_{st}) F^{jk} dV = 0$$

or

$$(4.7) \quad \int_M S_{as}(\nabla^s F_{jk}) \nabla^a F^{jk} dV - \int_M R_{ahj}{}^s (R^{ahj}{}_s + F_k{}^j F_s{}^t R^{ahk}{}_t) dV = 0.$$

(4.7) can be written as

$$\int_M S_{as}(\nabla^s F_{jk}) \nabla^a F^{jk} dV - \frac{1}{2} \int_M (R_{ahj}{}^s + F_j{}^k F_t{}^s R_{ahkt}) (R^{ahj}{}_s + F_c{}^j F_s{}^a R^{ahc}{}_a) dV = 0.$$

Consequently, by the assumption (iii), we have

$$R_{ahj}{}^s + F_j{}^k F_t{}^s R_{ahkt} = 0,$$

that is, $R(X, Y) \cdot F = 0$ and therefore, Theorem A proves the theorem.

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