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## A Study of Special Subspaces in a Finsler Space <sup>※)</sup>

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**Introduction.** In Riemannian geometry, the following two theorems are well known:

**Theorem A.** If an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian space  $M_n$  is of constant curvature  $R$  and an  $m$ -dimensional subspace  $M_m$  of  $M_n$  is totally geodesic then  $M_m$  is also of constant curvature  $R$ .

**Theorem B.** If  $M_n$  is of constant curvature  $R$  and  $M_m$  is totally umbilical then  $M_m$  is also of constant curvature.

The principal purpose of the present paper is to study how the above theorems are generalized to Finsler geometry.

The terminologies and notations refer to the papers [5]~[7]<sup>1)</sup> unless otherwise stated.

**§ 1. Preliminaries.** Let  $M_n$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Finsler space with a fundamental function  $L(x^i, y^i)$  and be endowed with a Matsumoto connection (usually called a Finsler connection [2])  $M\Gamma = (\Gamma_{j\ k}^i, \Gamma^{i\ k}, \widetilde{C}_{j\ k}^i)$ . This is a quite general connection with no metrical property and is defined as follows ([5], [6], [7]): The

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1) Numbers in blackets refer to the references at the end of the paper.

$v$ -connection  $\widetilde{C}_{j^i k}^i$  is any  $(-1)p$ -homogeneous<sup>2)</sup> tensor and  $\Gamma^i_k, \Gamma_{j^i k}$  are given by

$$(1.1) \quad \Gamma^i_k = G^i_k + T^i_k, \quad \Gamma_{j^i k} = \Gamma^i_{k\parallel j} + Q_{j^i k} = G_{j^i k} + T_{j^i k} + Q_{j^i k},$$

where the symbol  $\parallel j$  indicates the partial differentiation by  $y^j$ ,  $G^i_k$  and  $G_{j^i k}$  ( $= G^i_{k\parallel j}$ ) are the non-linear connection and  $h$ -connection of Berwald,  $T^i_k$  and  $Q_{j^i k}$  are  $(1)p$ - and  $(0)p$ -homogeneous tensors respectively and  $T_{j^i k} = T^i_{k\parallel j}$ .

Let  $M_m$  be an  $m$ -dimensional subspace of  $M_n$  defined by

$$(1.2) \quad x^i = x^i(u^\alpha) \quad (i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n; \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m),$$

provided that variables  $u^\alpha$  form a coordinate system of  $M_m$  and the matrix with components  $B^i_\alpha (= \partial x^i / \partial u^\alpha)$  is of rank  $m$ .

If we denote the components of a vector  $y^i$  tangent to a curve in  $M_m$  by  $y^\alpha$ <sup>3)</sup> in terms of  $u^\alpha$ -system, then we have

$$(1.3) \quad y^i = B^i_\alpha y^\alpha, \quad y^i_{\parallel \alpha} (= \partial y^i / \partial y^\alpha) = B^i_\alpha.$$

By means of the metric tensor  $g_{ij} (= \frac{1}{2} L^2_{\parallel i \parallel j})$ , we choose  $n-m$  normal vectors  $N^i_a$  ( $a = m+1, \dots, n$ ) at each point ( $u^\alpha$ ) of  $M_m$  as follows:

$$(1.4) \quad g_{ij} N^i_a N^j_b = \delta_{ab}, \quad B^i_\alpha N^i_b = 0, \quad N^i_b := g_{ij} N^j_b.$$

The induced fundamental function  $\bar{L}(u^\alpha, y^\alpha)$  and metric tensor  $g_{\beta\gamma}(u^\alpha, y^\alpha)$  on  $M_m$  are given by

$$(1.5) \quad \bar{L} = L(x^i(u^\alpha), B^i_\beta y^\beta), \quad g_{\beta\gamma} = g_{jk} B^j_\beta B^k_\gamma, \quad B^i_k := B^i_\alpha B^k_\gamma.$$

Let  $g^{ik}$  and  $g^{\beta\gamma}$  be the reciprocal tensors of  $g_{ik}$  and  $g_{\beta\gamma}$ . We put

$$C_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2} g_{ij\parallel k}, \quad C_{j^i k} = C_{j^i k} g^{si}, \quad B_i^\beta = g_{ij} B^j_\gamma g^{\gamma\beta}, \quad \lambda^a_{b\gamma} = -N^i_a N^i_{b\parallel \gamma}.$$

In this case, we have the following relations:

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} B_i^\beta B_{\parallel \gamma} &= C_b^{\beta\gamma} N^b_i, \quad N^i_{b\parallel \gamma} = -2C_b^{\beta\gamma} B^i_\beta - \lambda^a_{b\gamma} N^i_a, \\ N^i_{b\parallel \gamma} &= \lambda^b_{c\gamma} N^i_c, \quad \lambda^b_{c\gamma} + \lambda^c_{b\gamma} = 2C_b^c{}_\gamma = 2C_c^b{}_\gamma, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_b^{\beta\gamma} = C^j_k B^j_\beta B^k_\gamma N^i_b$  and  $C_b^c{}_\gamma = C^j_k N^j_b N^i_c B^k_\gamma$ .

2) " $(r)p$ -homogeneous" means "positively homogeneous of degree  $r$  in  $y^i$ "

3) If no confusion occurs then we use  $y^\alpha$  in stead of the usual notation  $v^\alpha$ .

The induced Matsumoto connection  $IM\Gamma = (\Gamma_{\beta}^{\alpha\gamma}, \Gamma^{\alpha\gamma}, \widetilde{C}_{\beta}^{\alpha\gamma})$  on  $M_m$  is defined as follows [5]:

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\beta}^{\alpha\gamma} &= B_i^{\alpha}(B_{\beta}^i{}_{\gamma} + \Gamma_{j\ k}^i B_{\beta\gamma}^k) + \widetilde{C}_{\beta}^{\alpha b} H_{\gamma}^b, \\ \Gamma^{\alpha\gamma} &= B_i^{\alpha}(B_{\nu}^i{}_{\gamma} + \Gamma^i{}_{\nu} B^k{}_{\gamma}), \quad \widetilde{C}_{\beta}^{\alpha\gamma} = \widetilde{C}_{j\ k}^i B_i^{\alpha} B_{\beta\gamma}^k, \end{aligned}$$

where  $B_{\beta}^i{}_{\gamma} = \partial B^i{}_{\gamma} / \partial u^{\beta}$ ,  $B_{\alpha}^i{}_{\beta} = B_{\rho}^i{}_{\gamma} y^{\rho}$ ,  $\widetilde{C}_{\beta}^{\alpha b} = \widetilde{C}_{j\ k}^i B_i^{\alpha} B_{\beta}^j N_b^k$  and

$$(1.8) \quad H_{\gamma}^b = N_i^b (B_{\nu}^i{}_{\gamma} + \Gamma^i{}_{\nu} B^k{}_{\gamma}).$$

The normal curvature vector in a direction  $N_b^i$  is given by (1.8), while the second fundamental tensor in the same direction is given by

$$(1.9) \quad H_{\beta}^b{}_{\gamma} = N_i^b (B_{\beta}^i{}_{\gamma} + \Gamma_{j\ k}^i B_{\beta\gamma}^k) + \widetilde{C}_{\beta}^b{}_{\nu} H_{\gamma}^{\nu}, \quad \widetilde{C}_{\beta}^b{}_{\nu} = \widetilde{C}_{j\ k}^i B_{\beta}^j N_{\nu}^i N_c^k.$$

The  $h$ -curvature tensor  $R_{\alpha\delta\beta\gamma}$  with respect to  $IM\Gamma$  is given by

$$(1.10) \quad \begin{aligned} R_{\alpha\delta\beta\gamma} &= R_{j\ i\ k\ h} B_{\beta\delta}^j B_{\beta\gamma}^i + B_{\alpha\delta}^j \{ P_{j\ i\ k\ h} (B^k{}_{\rho} H_{\gamma}^{\rho} - B^k{}_{\nu} H_{\delta}^{\nu}) N_b^h \\ &\quad + S_{j\ i\ k\ h} N_b^k N_c^h H_{\beta}^b H_{\gamma}^c \} + [H_{\alpha}^b{}_{\delta} (g_{j\ k\ l\ \gamma} B_{\delta}^j N_b^k + \delta_{b\ c} H_{\delta}^c{}_{\gamma}) - \beta | \gamma ], \end{aligned}$$

where  $R_{j\ i\ k\ h}$ ,  $P_{j\ i\ k\ h}$ ,  $S_{j\ i\ k\ h}$  are the  $h$ -,  $h\nu$ -,  $\nu$ -curvature tensors with respect to  $M\Gamma$  respectively and the symbol  $\beta | \gamma$  means the interchange of indices  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  in the foregoing terms.

Contracting (1.10) by  $y^{\alpha} y^{\beta}$ , we have

$$(1.11) \quad \begin{aligned} R_{\alpha\delta\nu\gamma} &= R_{\alpha i \nu h} B_{\delta\gamma}^i + S_{\alpha i\ k\ h} B_{\delta}^i N_a^k N_b^h H_{\nu}^a H_{\gamma}^b \\ &\quad + B_{\delta}^i N_a^h (P_{\alpha i \nu h} H_{\gamma}^{\nu} - P_{\alpha i\ k\ h} B^k{}_{\nu} H_{\delta}^{\nu}) + H_{\alpha}^a{}_{\delta} (g_{j\ k\ l\ \gamma} B_{\delta}^j N_a^k + \delta_{a\ b} H_{\delta}^b{}_{\gamma}) \\ &\quad - H_{\alpha}^a{}_{\gamma} (g_{j\ k\ l\ \delta} y^{\beta} B_{\delta}^j N_a^k + \delta_{a\ b} H_{\delta}^b{}_{\nu}), \end{aligned}$$

**§ 2. Totally geodesic subspaces.** We shall firstly consider Theorem A. An  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian space of constant curvature  $R$  is generalized to the following two cases:

1)  $M_n$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  i.e.,

$$(2.1) \quad R_{i\ j\ k\ h} y^i y^k = R L^2 h_{j\ h} \quad (R: \text{constant}),$$

where  $h_{j\ k}$  is the angular metric tensor.

2)  $M_n$  is  $h$ -isotropic with  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  i.e.,

$$(2.2) \quad R_{ijkh} = R(g_{ik}g_{jh} - g_{ih}g_{jk}).$$

**Note 2.1.** In the case 2),  $R$  is not always constant. Contracting (2.2) by  $y^i y^k$ , we have  $R_{ojok} = RL^2 h_{jh}$ . Therefore  $M_n$  is always of scalar curvature  $R$ .

A subspace  $M_m$  is said to be totally auto-parallel with respect to  $IM\Gamma$  if each path in  $M_m$  with respect to  $IM\Gamma$  is always a path in  $M_n$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$ . And it is known [5] that  $M_m$  is totally auto-parallel if and only if the following holds :

$$(2.3) \quad H_\gamma^a = 0 \quad (a = m+1, \dots, n).$$

And further it follows from (2.3) that

$$(2.4) \quad H_{\beta\gamma}^a = Q_{\beta\gamma}^a \quad (:= Q_{j\ k}^i N_i^a B_{\beta\gamma}^k).$$

Contracting (2.4) by  $y^\beta$ , we have

$$(2.5) \quad H_o^a{}_\gamma (= y^\beta H_{\beta\gamma}^a) = Q_o^a{}_\gamma = D^a{}_\gamma (= D^i{}_k N_i^a B^k{}_\gamma),$$

where  $D^i{}_k (= \Gamma_{j\ k}^i y^j - \Gamma^i{}_k = Q_o^i{}_k)$  is the deflexion tensor on  $M_n$ .

Now we shall impose an assumption on  $IM\Gamma$

$$(2.6) \quad D^a{}_\gamma = 0 \quad (a = m+1, \dots, n),$$

which is called the  $D$ -condition.

**Note 2.2.** If an  $M\Gamma$  satisfies any one of the following axioms then the induced connection  $IM\Gamma$  satisfies the  $D$ -condition :

$$(F2) \quad M\Gamma \text{ is dft-free } (D^i{}_k = 0).$$

$$(F2)_l \quad M\Gamma \text{ is dft-angular } (D^i{}_k = f(x, y)Lh^i{}_k),$$

where  $f(x, y)$  is a  $(0)p$ -homogeneous scalar and  $h^i{}_k = g^{ij}h_{jk}$ .

First we can state

**Theorem 2.1.** Suppose that a Finsler space  $M_n$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  and a subspace  $M_m$  of  $M_n$  is totally auto-parallel with respect to  $IM\Gamma$ . Then if  $IM\Gamma$  satisfies the  $D$ -condition, then  $M_m$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $IM\Gamma$ .

Proof. Applying (2.1), (2.3), (2.5) and (2.6) to (1.11), we obtain  $R_{o\delta\sigma\gamma} = RL^2 h_{\delta\gamma}$ , where  $h_{\delta\gamma} = h_{j\ i} B_{\delta\gamma}^i$ . Q. E. D.

An  $M\Gamma$  is called a geo-path connection if any path in  $M_n$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  is always a geodesic in  $M_n$ . In this case, the induced connection  $IM\Gamma$  is also a geo-path connection on  $M_m$  [5]. Consequently we can state

**Theorem 2.2.** *Suppose that  $M_n$  is endowed with a geo-path connection  $M\Gamma$  and the induced connection  $IM\Gamma$  satisfies the D-condition. Then if  $M_n$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  and  $M_m$  is totally geodesic, then  $M_m$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $IM\Gamma$ .*

**Note 2.3.** The range of validity of the above theorem is extensive.

(I) All the  $TM$ (or  $TM(o)$ )-connections, which are characterized by the following axioms (F1), (F2), (F3), (F4) and (F5) (or (F5)<sub>o</sub>):

(F1)  $M\Gamma$  is metrical ( $L_{1k} = 0$ ). (F2)  $M\Gamma$  is dft-free.

(F3)  $M\Gamma$  is a geo-path connection.

(F4)  $M\Gamma$  satisfies  $y^i Dg_{ij} = 0$ , where  $Dg_{ij}$  is the absolute differential of  $g_{ij}$ .

(F5)  $M\Gamma$  is  $\nu$ -metrical and  $\nu$ -symmetric ( $\widetilde{C}_{j^i k} = C_{j^i k}$ ).

(F5)<sub>o</sub>  $M\Gamma$  is  $\nu$ -natural ( $\widetilde{C}_{j^i k} = 0$ ).

The Cartan connection  $C\Gamma = (\Gamma_{j^i k}^*, G^i_k, C_{j^i k})$  and the Hashiguchi connection  $H\Gamma = (G_{j^i k}^i, G^i_k, C_{j^i k})$  are the special  $TM$ -connections, while the Rund connection  $R\Gamma = (\Gamma_{j^i k}^*, G^i_k, 0)$  and the Berwald connection  $B\Gamma = (G_{j^i k}^i, G^i_k, 0)$  are the special  $TM(o)$ -connections.

(II) All the  $TMD$ (or  $TMD(o)$ )-connections satisfying the axiom(F2)<sub>j</sub>, where an  $TMD$ (or  $TMD(o)$ )-connection is characterized by the four axioms (F1), (F3), (F4) and (F5) (or (F5)<sub>o</sub>). We shall give their examples.

(1)  $AMDF\Gamma$ (or  $AMDF\Gamma_o$ ):  $\Gamma^i_k = G^i_k - fLh^i_k$ ,  $\Gamma_{j^i k} = \Gamma_{j^i k}^* + fLC_{j^i k}$ .

The connections (1) further satisfy the following desirable axioms:

(F6)  $M\Gamma$  is  $h$ -symmetric ( $\Gamma_{j^i k} = \Gamma_{k^i j}$ ).

(F7)  $M\Gamma$  is  $h$ -metrical ( $g_{ijk} = 0$ ).

(2)  $MD\Gamma$ (or  $MD\Gamma_o$ ):  $\Gamma^i_k = G^i_k$ ,  $\Gamma_{j^i k} = \Gamma_{j^i k}^* + f(l_j \delta^i_k - l^i g_{jk})$ ,

where  $l_j = L_{\#j}$  and  $l^i = y^i/L$ .

(3)  $AMBD\Gamma$ (or  $AMBD\Gamma_o$ ):  $\Gamma^i_k = G^i_k$ ,  $\Gamma_{j^i k} = G_{j^i k}^i + f(l_j h^i_k + l_k h^i_j - l^i h_{jk})$ .

(4)  $AMCD\Gamma$ (or  $AMCD\Gamma_o$ ):  $\Gamma^i_k = G^i_k$ ,  $\Gamma_{j^i k} = \Gamma_{j^i k}^* + f(l_j h^i_k + l_k h^i_j - l^i h_{jk})$ .

Further the connections (3) and (4) satisfy (F6), while the connections (2) satisfy (F7) and the following axiom (F8):

(F8)  $M\Gamma$  is  $h$ -semi-symmetric ( $\Gamma_{j^i k} - \Gamma_{k^i j} = \delta^i_j s_k - \delta^i_k s_j$ , being  $s_j = -f_j$ ).

**Note 2.4.** If  $M_m$  is totally geodesic then the induced connection  $IM\Gamma$  becomes the intrinsic connection on  $M_m$  (if it can be defined).

Next we shall consider the case 2). From Note 2.1 we can state

**Theorem 2.3.** *Suppose that  $M_n$  is endowed with a geo-path connection  $M\Gamma$  and the induced connection  $IM\Gamma$  satisfy the D-codition. Then if  $M_n$  is  $h$ -isotropic with  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  and  $M_m$  is totally geodesic then  $M_m$  is of scalar curvature  $R$  with respect to  $IM\Gamma$ .*

For the special cases, it is known [4] that if  $M_n$  ( $n \geq 3$ ) is  $h$ -isotropic with  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  then the following facts hold:

(1) When  $M\Gamma = B\Gamma$ ,  $R$  is constant.

(2) When  $M\Gamma = R\Gamma$ ,  $R$  is constant together with  $H_j^i{}_{kh} = K_j^i{}_{kh}$ ,

where  $H_j^i{}_{kh}$  and  $K_j^i{}_{kh}$  are the  $h$ -curvature tensors with respect to  $B\Gamma$  and  $R\Gamma$ .

(3) When  $M\Gamma = H\Gamma$ ,  $R = 0$  or  $M_n$  is a Riemannian space of constant curvature  $R$ .

(4) When  $M\Gamma = C\Gamma$ ,  $R$  is constant together with  $S_j^i{}_{kh} = 0$ ,

where  $S_j^i{}_{kh}$  is the  $h$ -curvature tensor with respect to  $C\Gamma$ .

For  $B\Gamma$  and  $H\Gamma$  we have  $Q_j^i{}_{k} = 0$ , while for  $R\Gamma$  and  $C\Gamma$  we get  $Q_j^i{}_{k} = -P_j^i{}_{k}$ , where  $P_j^i{}_{k}$  is the  $h\nu$ -torsion tensor with respect to  $C\Gamma$ . Consequently from (1.10), (1.11) and (2.1)~(2.5) we can state

**Corollary 2.3.1.** *If  $M_n$  ( $n \geq 3$ ) is  $h$ -isotropic with  $R$  with respect to  $M\Gamma$  ((1) $B\Gamma$ , (2) $R\Gamma$ , (3) $H\Gamma$  and (4) $C\Gamma$ ) and  $M_m$  is totally geodesic then the following facts hold:*

(1)  $M_m$  is  $h$ -isotropic with the constant  $R$  with respect to  $IB\Gamma$ .

(2)  $M_m$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $IR\Gamma$ .

(3)  $M_m$  is  $h$ -flat ( $R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = 0$ ) with respect to  $IH\Gamma$  or  $M_m$  is a Riemannian space of constant curvature  $R$ .

(4)  $M_m$  is of constant curvature  $R$  with respect to  $IC\Gamma$ .

**Note 2.5.** The induced connections in Corollary 2.3.1 are all the intrinsic connections on  $M_m$ . It seems to us that the case (1) is the most natural generalization of Theorem A.

**§ 3. Totally ncd-free (or nc-constant) subspaces.** We shall secondly consider Theorem B. We shall call a  $TM\Gamma$  and a  $TMD\Gamma$  (resp. a  $TM\Gamma_o$  and a  $TMD\Gamma_o$ ) a  $T$ -connection (resp. a  $T(o)$ -connection) generically and denote it by  $T\Gamma$  (resp.  $T\Gamma_o$ ). In the following, we assume that  $M_n$  is endowed with a  $T\Gamma$  (or  $T\Gamma_o$ ) and  $M_m$  is endowed with the induced connection  $IT\Gamma$  (or  $IT\Gamma_o$ ). We put

$$(3.1) \quad \overset{b}{H}_{\beta^a \gamma} = N_i^a (B_{\beta}^i{}_{\gamma} + G_{i\kappa} B_{\beta}^i{}_{\kappa}), \quad \overset{b}{H}_{\gamma}^a = y^{\beta} H_{\beta^a \gamma} = N_i^a (B_o^i{}_{\gamma} + G^i{}_{\kappa} B^{\kappa}{}_{\gamma}),$$

$$(3.2) \quad \overset{b}{H}_o^a = \overset{b}{H}_{\gamma}^a y^{\gamma} = N_i^a (B_o^i{}_{o} + 2G^i), \quad B_o^i{}_{o} = B_o^i{}_{\gamma} y^{\gamma}, \quad 2G^i = G^i{}_{\kappa} y^{\kappa}.$$

Since the axiom (F3) means  $T^i{}_{o} (= T^i{}_{\kappa} y^{\kappa}) = 0$ , from (1. 1), (1. 8) and (3. 2) we have

$$(3.3) \quad H_o^a (= H_{\gamma}^a y^{\gamma}) = \overset{b}{H}_o^a.$$

Let  $f(u^a, y^a)$  be a scalar on  $M_m$ . Then we shall say that  $f$  is *direct-free* if it is independent of  $y^{\gamma}$  i. e.,  $f_{i\gamma} = 0$ .

We shall call a point  $(u^a)$  of  $M_m$  an *ncd-free* (resp. *nc-constant*) *point* if the following relation holds at the point  $(u^a)$  for direct-free scalars  $f^a$  (resp. constants  $f^a$ ):

$$(3.4) \quad \overset{b}{H}_o^a = \bar{L}^2 f^a \quad (a = m + 1, \dots, n).$$

We shall say that  $M_m$  is *totally ncd-free* (resp. *nc-constant*) if every point of  $M_m$  is an ncd-free (resp. nc-constant) point.

**Note 3. 1.** An ncd-free (resp. nc-constant) point corresponds to an umbilical point (resp. a proper umbilical point) in Riemannian geometry.

Now we take a curve  $C: u^a = u^a(s)$  ( $s$ : arc-length) in  $M_m$ . If  $du^a = y^a(ds/\bar{L})$  then because of (3. 3) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\gamma}^a(u^a, du^a/ds) du^{\gamma}/ds &= \overset{b}{H}_o^a(u^a, du^a)/\bar{L}^2(u^a, du^a) \\ &= \overset{b}{H}_o^a(u^a, y^a)/\bar{L}^2(u^a, y^a), \end{aligned}$$

which implies together with (3. 4) that the square of normal curvature  $N(u^a, y^a)$  in  $y^a$ -direction is given by  $N^2 = \delta_{ab} f^a f^b$ .

**Note 3. 2.** If the induced connection  $IT\Gamma$  (or  $IT\Gamma_o$ ) satisfies the  $D$ -condition then we have

$$H_\gamma^a du^\gamma/ds = H_{\beta\gamma}^a du^\beta du^\gamma/g_{\beta\gamma} du^\beta du^\gamma = \overset{b}{H}_o^a/\bar{L}^2.$$

Making use of (1.6) and (3.1) ~ (3.4) we can deduce the following two equivalent equations:

$$(3.5) \quad \overset{b}{H}_\gamma^a = f^a y_\gamma - \frac{1}{2} \bar{L}^2 \lambda_{b\gamma}^a f^b, \quad y_\gamma = g_{\beta\gamma} y^\beta,$$

$$(3.6) \quad \overset{b}{H}_{\beta\gamma}^a = f^a g_{\beta\gamma} - f^b (\lambda_{b\beta}^a y_\gamma + \lambda_{b\gamma}^a y_\beta) - \frac{1}{2} \bar{L}^2 f^b (\lambda_{b\gamma}^a \lambda_{\beta\delta} - \lambda_{c\beta}^a \lambda_{b\gamma}^c).$$

Thus we can state

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $M_n$  be endowed with a  $T\Gamma$  (or  $T\Gamma_o$ ). Then  $M_m$  is totally ncd-free (resp. nc-constant) if and only if any one of the following facts holds for direct-free scalars  $f^a$  (resp. constants  $f^a$ ):*

- (1) *Each normal curvature vector with respect to  $IB\Gamma$  is expressed in (3.5).*
- (2) *Each second fundamental tensor with respect to  $IB\Gamma$  is expressed in (3.6).*

For the sake of brevity, we impose another assumption on  $IT\Gamma$  (or  $IT\Gamma_o$ )

$$(3.7) \quad T^a_{\gamma\gamma} (= T^i_k N_i^a B^k_\gamma) = 0, \quad D^a_\gamma = 0, \quad Q_{\beta\gamma}^a (= Q_{\beta\gamma}^a y^\gamma) = 0,$$

which is called the *TDQ-condition*.

**Note 3.3.** For a  $T\Gamma$  (or  $T\Gamma_o$ ) such that  $T^i_k = 0$  or  $T^i_k = fLh^i_k$ ,  $D^i_k = 0$  or  $D^i_k = \tilde{f}Lh^i_k$  and  $Q_j^i_k = 0$  or  $Q_j^i_o = 0$ , the induced connection  $IT\Gamma$  (or  $IT\Gamma_o$ ) satisfies the *TDQ-condition*. See Lemma 3.1 in [6].

On making use of Proposition 3.1 and the *TDQ-condition* (in fact (1.1) and (3.4) ~ (3.7)), we can obtain [6]

$$(3.8) \quad \frac{1}{2}(R_{\alpha\gamma\sigma\delta} + R_{\sigma\delta\alpha\gamma}) = \frac{1}{2}(R_{\alpha i o h} + R_{o h \alpha i}) B^i_\gamma B^h_{\delta} + \bar{L}^2 N^2 h_{\gamma\delta} + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{\gamma\delta},$$

$$\Phi_{\gamma\delta} = U_{\gamma\delta} + V_{\gamma\delta},$$

$$(3.9) \quad U_{\gamma\delta} = \bar{L}^2 \left\{ \bar{L}^2 (f_a \lambda_{b\gamma}^a \lambda_{c\delta}^b f^c - C_{ab\delta} \lambda_{\gamma}^a f^b - \frac{1}{2} \sum_a \lambda_{b\gamma}^a \lambda_{c\delta}^a f^b f^c) \right. \\ \left. - (C_{ab\gamma} y_\delta + C_{ab\gamma\delta} y_\gamma) f^a f^b \right\}, \text{ being } f_a = \delta_{ab} f^b,$$

$$(3.10) \quad V_{\gamma\delta} = \bar{L}^2 \left\{ f_a (Q_\gamma^a{}_\delta + Q_\delta^a{}_\gamma) + (g_{j[k|h} - P_{ojkh}) N_a^k f^a (B_{\gamma\delta}^i{}^h + B_{\delta\gamma}^i{}^h) - \right. \\ \left. (g_{j[k|h} y^\delta - P_{ojvk}) N_a^k \{ f^a (B'_\gamma y_\delta + B'_\delta y_\gamma) - \frac{1}{2} \bar{L}^2 (B'^\gamma_\delta \lambda_{b\delta}^a + B'^\delta_\delta \lambda_{b\gamma}^a) f^b \} \right\}.$$

We put



$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{ijk} &= g_{js} T_i^s k, \quad Q_{ijk} = g_{js} Q_i^s k, \quad T_{ij} = g_{is} T^s_j, \quad T_{a\gamma\delta} = T_{ijk} N_a^i B_{\gamma\delta}^j k, \\
 (3.11) \quad T_{\gamma a} &= T_{ij} B^j_{\gamma} N_a^i, \quad T^{\epsilon}_{\delta} = T^i_k B^k_{\delta} B_i^{\epsilon}, \quad D^{\epsilon}_{\delta} = D^i_k B^k_{\delta} B_i^{\epsilon}, \\
 C_{\epsilon\gamma a} &= C_{\epsilon a\gamma} = C_{ijk} B_{\epsilon\gamma}^i N_a^j k, \quad P_{\gamma a\delta} = P_{ijk} N_a^i B_{\gamma\delta}^j k, \quad P_{jtk} = g_{is} P^s_{jtk}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the use of (3.11) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.12) \quad g_{ijk} &= -T_{ijk} - T_{jik} - Q_{ijk} - Q_{jik} - 2(C_{ij\gamma} T^{\gamma}_k + P_{ijk}), \\
 g_{ijl} k y^k &= T_{ij} + T_{ji} - Q_{ij\sigma} - Q_{jio}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The contracted  $h\nu$ -curvature tensors  $P_{oikh}$  and  $P_{oioh}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.13) \quad P_{oikh} &= g_{si} (-Q_h^s k + D^s_{k\parallel h}) + [C_{jih} D^j_k], \\
 P_{oioh} &= g_{si} (-Q_h^s o + D^s_{o\parallel h} - D^s_h) + [C_{jih} D^j_o],
 \end{aligned}$$

where the terms in brackets vanish for  $T\Gamma_o$ .

Because of  $T^a_{\gamma} = D^a_{\gamma} = 0$ , we get

$$(3.14) \quad C_{j\gamma a} T^j_{\delta} = C_{\epsilon\gamma a} T^{\epsilon}_{\delta}, \quad C_{j\gamma a} D^j_{\delta} = C_{\epsilon\gamma a} D^{\epsilon}_{\delta},$$

where  $C_{j\gamma a} = C_{jik} B^i_{\gamma} N_a^k$ ,  $T^j_{\delta} = T^i_k B^k_{\delta}$  and  $D^j_{\delta} = D^i_k B^k_{\delta}$ .

Applying (3.11) ~ (3.14) to (3.10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.15) \quad V_{\gamma\delta} &= -\bar{L}^2 \{ T_{a\delta\gamma} + T_{a\delta\gamma} + 2(C_{\gamma a\epsilon} T^{\epsilon}_{\delta} + C_{\delta a\epsilon} T^{\epsilon}_{\gamma} + 2P_{\gamma a\delta}) \\
 &+ (g_{s\gamma} B^h_{\delta} + g_{s\delta} B^h_{\gamma}) D^s_{h\parallel k} N_a^k \} f^a + \{ \frac{1}{2} \bar{L}^2 (T_{\gamma a} \lambda^a_{b\delta} + T_{\delta a} \lambda^a_{b\gamma}) \\
 &- (T_{\gamma b} y_{\delta} + T_{\delta b} y_{\gamma}) \} f^b + g_{sj} (D^s_{o\parallel k} - D^s_k) N_a^k \{ f^a (B^j_{\delta} y_{\gamma} + B^j_{\gamma} y_{\delta}) \\
 &- \frac{1}{2} \bar{L}^2 (B^j_{\gamma} \lambda^a_{b\delta} + B^j_{\delta} \lambda^a_{b\gamma}) f^b \} + [ -\bar{L}^2 (C_{\gamma a\epsilon} D^{\epsilon}_{\delta} + C_{\delta a\epsilon} D^{\epsilon}_{\gamma}) f^a \\
 &+ \{ C_{\epsilon\gamma a} y_{\delta} + C_{\epsilon\delta a} y_{\gamma} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{L}^2 (C_{\epsilon\gamma b} \lambda^b_{a\delta} + C_{\epsilon\delta b} \lambda^b_{a\gamma}) \} D^{\epsilon}_o f^a ],
 \end{aligned}$$

where all the terms in brackets vanish for  $IT\Gamma_o$ .

Now we assume that the tensor  $\Phi_{\gamma\delta}$  formed with (3.9) and (3.15) may be expressed in

$$(3.16) \quad \Phi_{\gamma\delta} = 2\bar{L}^2 \mu h_{\gamma\delta}.$$

When (2.1) is valid, from (3.8) and (3.16) we have

$$(3.17) \quad \frac{1}{2}(R_{o\gamma o\delta} + R_{o\delta o\gamma}) = \bar{L}^2(R + N^2 + \mu) h_{\gamma\delta}.$$

Hence we can state

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose that  $M_n$  is endowed with a  $T\Gamma$  (or  $T\Gamma_o$ ) and the induced connection  $IT\Gamma$  (or  $IT\Gamma_o$ ) satisfies the TDQ-condition and that the tensor  $\Phi_{\gamma\delta}$  is expressible in the form (3.16) for a scalar  $\mu$  (resp. a constant  $\mu$ ). Then if  $M_n$  is of scalar curvature  $R$  (resp. of constant curvature  $R$ ) with respect to  $T\Gamma$  (or  $T\Gamma_o$ ) and  $M_m$  is totally ncd-free (resp. nc-constant) with  $N$  then  $M_m$  is of scalar curvature  $(R + N^2 + \mu)$  (resp. constant curvature  $(R + N^2 + \mu)$ ) with respect to  $IT\Gamma$  (or  $IT\Gamma_o$ ).*

**Note 3.4.** The above theorem is comparatively complicated because it contains a number of indefinite parts. In (3.16), the scalar  $\mu$  may be zero. In this case, the tensor  $\Phi_{\gamma\delta}$  has to vanish.

Now we require a new assumption

$$(2.8) \quad g_{ij}N_a^i N_b^j \parallel_{\gamma} = g_{ij}N_b^i N_a^j \parallel_{\gamma} \text{ i. e., } \lambda_{b\gamma}^a = \lambda_{a\gamma}^b,$$

which will be called the *commutative normality condition* (simply *CN-condition*).

In this case, from (1.6), (3.9) and (3.18) we get

$$(3.19) \quad U_{\gamma\delta} = \bar{L}^2 \left\{ \bar{L}^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} C_{ac\gamma} C_b^c{}_{\delta} - C_{ab\delta} \parallel_{\gamma} \right) - (C_{ab\gamma} y_{\delta} + C_{ab\delta} y_{\gamma}) \right\} f^a f^b,$$

where  $C_{ab\gamma} = C_{ijk} N_a^i N_b^j B^k{}_{\gamma} = C_b^a{}_{\gamma} = C_a^b{}_{\gamma}$ .

In the following, we shall consider only a special case where  $T^i_k = D^i_k = 0$ . In this case, (3.15) reduces to

$$(3.20) \quad V_{\gamma\delta} = -4\bar{L}^2 P_{\gamma a\delta} f^a.$$

Applying (3.9) and (3.20) to (3.16), we obtain

$$(3.21) \quad 2\mu h_{\gamma\delta} + 4P_{\gamma a\delta} f^a + \bar{L}^2 (C_{ab\delta} \parallel_{\gamma} + C_{ab\gamma} y_{\delta} + C_{ab\delta} y_{\gamma} - \frac{1}{2} C_{ac\gamma} C_b^c{}_{\delta}) f^a f^b = 0.$$

Further we require another assumption which will be called the *special normality condition* (simply *SN-condition*)

$$(3.22) \quad C_{ab\gamma} f^a = 0,$$

which means  $g_{ij} N_b^i \bar{N}^j{}_{\parallel\gamma} = 0$ , being  $\bar{N}^j = N_b^j f^a$

Under the *SN-condition*, (3.21) reduces to

$$(3.23) \quad \mu h_{\gamma\delta} + 2P_{\gamma\alpha\beta} f^\alpha = 0.$$

Thus we can state

**Corollary 3.2.1.** *Suppose that  $M_n$  is endowed with a  $TM\Gamma$  (or  $TM\Gamma_o$ ) whose non-linear connection is given by  $\Gamma^i_k = G^i_k$  and the induced connection  $ITM\Gamma$  (or  $ITM\Gamma_o$ ) satisfies  $Q_{\alpha^a o} = 0$ . Then if  $M_n$  is of scalar curvature  $R$  (resp. of constant curvature  $R$ ) with respect to  $TM\Gamma$  (or  $TM\Gamma_o$ ) and  $M_m$  is totally ncd-free (resp. nc-constant) with  $N$  then  $M_m$  is of scalar curvature  $(R + N^2 + \mu)$  (resp. of constant curvature  $(R + N^2 + \mu)$ ) with respect to  $ITM\Gamma$  (or  $ITM\Gamma_o$ ) under the following facts:*

- (1) *For a scalar  $\mu$  (resp. a constant  $\mu$ ), the relation (3.21) holds under the CN-condition.*
- (2) *For a scalar  $\mu$  (resp. a constant  $\mu$ ), the relation (3.23) holds under both the CN- and SN-conditions.*

**Note 3.5.** The range of validity of the above corollary is comparatively broad. Examples are as follows:

- (I) All the typical connections  $B\Gamma, R\Gamma, H\Gamma$  and  $C\Gamma$ .
- (II) All connections with the following form:

$$\Gamma = (\Gamma_j^i_k, G^i_k, C_j^i_k \text{ (or } 0)), \quad \Gamma_j^i_k = G_j^i_k + Q_j^i_k,$$

$$Q_j^i_k = Z_j^i_k + f(x, y) h^i_j l_k,$$

where  $Z_j^i_k$  is any (o) $p$ -homogeneous tensor satisfying  $Z_o^i_k = Z_j^i_o = Z_j^o_k = 0$ .

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