

# INTEGRAL FORMULAS FOR SUBMANIFOLDS IN EUCLIDEAN SPACE AND THEIR APPLICATIONS TO UNIQUENESS THEOREM

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## Abstract

In this paper, the author derives some integral formulas for a pair of submanifolds in Euclidean Space  $E^{n+p}$ , and applies these formulas to generalize the Christoffel theorem and the Hilbert Liebmann-Hsiung theorem.

## § 1. A Generalization of the Christoffel Theorem

Let  $\Sigma, \Sigma'$  be two  $n$ -dimensional compact submanifolds (without boundary) in  $E^{n+p}$ ,  $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$  be a diffeomorphism such that  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  have parallel tangent spaces at  $x \in \Sigma$  and  $x' = f(x)$ , i. e. they have the same Gauss image. Choose a local frame field  $x, e_1, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{n+p}$  over  $\Sigma$  such that  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  are tangent to  $\Sigma$ . Then it is also a local frame field over  $\Sigma'$  and  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  are tangent to  $\Sigma'$ .

Throughout this paper we shall agree on the indices of the following ranges:

$$1 \leq i, j, \dots, \leq n, n+1 \leq \alpha, \beta, \dots, \leq n+p, 1 \leq A, B, \dots, \leq n+p.$$

Let  $\tilde{w}_A$  be the field of dual frames, the structure equations of  $E^{n+p}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} dx &= \tilde{w}_A e_A, & de_A &= \tilde{w}_{AB} e_B, \\ d\tilde{w}_A &= \tilde{w}_B \wedge \tilde{w}_{BA}, & \tilde{w}_{AB} &= -\tilde{w}_{BA}, \\ d\tilde{w}_{AB} &= \tilde{w}_{AO} \wedge \tilde{w}_{OB}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.1)$$

Restricting them to  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} dx &= w_i e_i, & dx' &= w'_i e'_i, \\ w_\alpha &= 0, & w'_\alpha &= 0, \\ w_{i\alpha} &= h_{i\alpha j} w_j, & w'_{i\alpha} &= h'_{i\alpha j} w'_j, \\ dw_{ij} &= w_{jk} \wedge w_{ki} + \Omega_{ij}, & dw'_{ij} &= w'_{jk} \wedge w'_{ki} + \Omega'_{ij}, \\ \Omega_{ij} &= w_{j\alpha} \wedge w_{\alpha i}, & \Omega'_{ij} &= w'_{j\alpha} \wedge w'_{\alpha i}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

We introduce the differential forms

$$D_{rs} = \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \Omega_{i_1 i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \Omega_{i_{r-1} i_r} \wedge \underbrace{w_{i_r i_{r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge w_{i_{r+s-1} i_{r+s}}}_r \wedge \underbrace{w'_{i_{r+s+1} i_{r+s+2}} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_{r+s-1} i_{r+s}}}_s, \quad (1.3)$$

$$O_{r-1,s}^\alpha = \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \Omega_{i_1 i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \Omega_{i_{s-1} i_s} \wedge w_{i_{s+1} \alpha} \wedge \underbrace{w_{i_{s+2}} \wedge \dots \wedge w_{i_{s+r}}}_{r-1} \wedge \underbrace{w'_{i_{s+r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_n}}_s$$

$$O_{r-1,s} = O_{r-1,s}^\alpha e_\alpha,$$

where  $e = \text{even}$ ,  $r+s = n - c$ .

Consider the deformation of  $\Sigma$

$$\Sigma_t: x_t = (1+t)x, \quad t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon), \quad x \in \Sigma.$$

Since

$$dx_t = (1+t)dx = (1+t)w_i e_i,$$

we see that  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  are tangent to  $\Sigma_t$  and

$$w_i(t) = (1+t)w_i. \quad (1.4)$$

Let

$$D_{rs}(t) = \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \Omega_{i_1 i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \Omega_{i_{s-1} i_s} \wedge w_{i_{s+1}}(t) \wedge \dots \wedge w_{i_{s+r}}(t) \wedge w'_{i_{s+r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_n}.$$

It is a differential form containing the parameter  $t$  on  $\Sigma$ . From (1.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{rs}(t) &= (1+t)^r D_{rs}, \\ \left. \frac{\partial D_{rs}(t)}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} &= r D_{rs}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

Now we compute  $\left. \frac{\partial D_{rs}(t)}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0}$  in another way. We consider  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  to be two imbeddings

$$\Sigma: x: M \rightarrow E^{n+p},$$

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where  $M$  is a compact manifold and  $x' = f \circ x$ . Then  $x_t$  can be considered to be an immersion

$$x_t: M \times (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \rightarrow E^{n+p}.$$

Pulling  $\tilde{w}_A$  back to  $M \times (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ , we have (see [5, 6])

$$\tilde{w}_A = dx_t \cdot e_A = d_m x_t \cdot e_A + \frac{\partial x_t}{\partial t} \cdot e_A dt = w_A + x \cdot e_A dt.$$

Noting  $w_\alpha = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{w}_i(t) &= w_i(t) + x_i dt, \\ \tilde{w}_\alpha(t) &= x_\alpha dt, \\ \tilde{w}_{AB}(t) &= w_{AB}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

where  $w_i, w_{AB}$  do not contain  $dt$ , and

$$x_A = x \cdot e_A,$$

Let

$$\tilde{D}_{rs}(t) = \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \Omega_{i_1 i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \Omega_{i_{s-1} i_s} \wedge \tilde{w}_{i_{s+1}}(t) \wedge \dots \wedge \tilde{w}_{i_{s+r}}(t) \wedge w'_{i_{s+r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_n}. \quad (1.7)$$

It can be written as

$$\tilde{D}_{rs}(t) = D_{rs}(t) + dt \wedge \phi_{rs}(t), \quad (1.8)$$

where

$$\phi_{rs}(t) = \gamma \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \Omega_{i_1 i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \Omega_{i_{s-1} i_s} x_{i_{s+1}} \wedge w_{i_{s+2}}(t) \wedge \dots \wedge w_{i_{s+r}}(t) \wedge w'_{i_{s+r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_n}.$$

We choose  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  such that  $w_i|_x = 0$  for a fixed point  $x \in \Sigma$ . We write the

operator  $d$  on  $M \times (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$  as  $d = d_m + dt \wedge \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$  (see [5]) Taking the exterior derivative

of (1.7), we get

$$d\tilde{D}_{rs}(t) = -\gamma \delta_{i_1 \dots i_n}^{t_1 \dots t_n} \Omega_{i_1 i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \Omega_{i_{e-1} i_e} \wedge \tilde{w}_\alpha(t) \wedge \tilde{w}_{i_{e+1}, \alpha}(t) \\ \wedge \tilde{w}_{i_{e+2}}(t) \wedge \dots \wedge \tilde{w}_{i_{e+r}}(t) \wedge w'_{i_{e+r+1}} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_n}.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$d\tilde{D}_{rs}(t) = d_M D_{rs}(t) + dt \wedge \frac{\partial D_{rs}(t)}{\partial t} - dt \wedge d_M \phi_{rs}(t).$$

Equating the terms involving  $dt$  and setting  $t=0$ , we get

$$\left. \frac{\partial D_{rs}(t)}{\partial t} \right|_{t=0} = d_M \phi_{rs} - r x_\alpha C_{r-1, s}^\alpha. \quad (1.9)$$

Comparing (1.9) with (1.5) and integrating over  $M$ , we get the following integral formulas

$$\int D_{rs} + x_\alpha C_{r-1, s}^\alpha = 0. \quad (1.10)$$

Similarly, we have

$$\int D_{rs} + x'_\alpha C_{r, s-1}^\alpha = 0. \quad (1.11)$$

From (1.10), (1.11) it follows that

$$\int x_\alpha C_{r-1, s}^\alpha - x'_\alpha C_{r, s-1}^\alpha = 0. \quad (1.12)$$

The formulas (1.10), (1.11), (1.12) are generalizations of the formulas (17) in [1].

In particular, we have

$$\int D_{r0} + x_\alpha C_{r-1, 0}^\alpha = 0. \quad (1.13)$$

Let

$$I_e = \frac{(-1)^{e/2} (n-e)!}{2^{e/2} n!} \delta_{j_1 \dots j_e}^{i_1 \dots i_e} R_{i_1 i_2 j_1 j_2} \dots R_{i_{e-1} i_e j_{e-1} j_e}, \\ H_{e+1} = \frac{(-1)^{e/2} (n-e-1)!}{2^{e/2} n!} \delta_{j_1 \dots j_{e+1}}^{i_1 \dots i_{e+1}} R_{i_1 i_2 j_1 j_2} \dots R_{i_{e-1} i_e j_{e-1} j_e} h_{i_{e+1}, \alpha j_{e+1}} e_\alpha,$$

where  $R_{ijkl}$  are the Riemannian curvature tensors of  $\Sigma$ . The formula (1.13) can be written as

$$\int (I_e + x \cdot H_{e+1}) \omega_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega_n = 0, \quad (1.14)$$

this is the integral formula (19) in [2].

Suppose that there exists a unit normal vector field  $e_{n+p}$  over  $\Sigma$  (it is also a unit normal vector field over  $\Sigma'$ ) such that the second fundamental forms of both  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  at  $e_{n+p}$  are positive definite symmetric matrices. Let

$$h_{ij} := h_{i, n+p, j}, \quad h'_{ij} := h'_{i, n+p, j}, \\ K = \det(h_{ij}), \quad K' = \det(h'_{ij}), \\ H = \frac{1}{n} h_{i\alpha i} e_\alpha, \quad H' = \frac{1}{n} h'_{i\alpha i} e_\alpha, \\ (\lambda_{ij}) = (h_{ij})^{-1}, \quad (\lambda'_{ij}) = (h'_{ij})^{-1},$$

$$P_{rs} = \frac{(n-r-s)!}{n!} \delta_{j_1 \dots j_{r+s}}^{i_1 \dots i_{r+s}} \lambda_{i_1 j_1} \dots \lambda_{i_r j_r} \lambda'_{i_{r+1} j_{r+1}} \dots \lambda'_{i_{r+s} j_{r+s}}.$$

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\Sigma, \Sigma'$  be two closed  $n$ -dimensional submanifolds in  $E^{n+p}$ ,  $f: \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma'$  be a diffeomorphism such that  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  have parallel tangent spaces at  $x \in \Sigma$  and  $x' = f(x)$ . Suppose that there exists a unit normal vector field  $e_{n+p}$  over  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  such that the second fundamental forms of both  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  at  $e_{n+p}$  are positive. If  $K = K'$  and  $H = H'$ , then  $f$  is a translation.

*Proof* From (1.10) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int D_{1,n-1} + x_\alpha C_{0,n-1}^\alpha &= 0, \\ \int D_{n,0} + x_\alpha C_{n-1,0}^\alpha &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

From these we obtain

$$\int (D_{1,n-1} - D_{n,0}) + \int x_\alpha (C_{0,n-1}^\alpha - C_{n-1,0}^\alpha) = 0.$$

According to our choice of the frame fields over  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$ , we have

$$w_{i\alpha} = w'_{i\alpha}.$$

Since  $w_i = \lambda_{ij} w_{j,n+p}$ ,  $w'_i = \lambda'_{ij} w'_{j,n+p} = \lambda'_{ij} w_{j,n+p}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{1,n-1} &= \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} w_{i_1} \wedge w'_{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_n = \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \lambda_{i_1 j_1} \lambda'_{i_2 j_2} \dots \lambda'_{i_n j_n} w_{j_1 n+p} \wedge \dots \wedge w_{j_n n+p} \\ &= \frac{1}{n!} \delta_{j_1 \dots j_n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \lambda_{i_1 j_1} \lambda'_{i_2 j_2} \dots \lambda'_{i_n j_n} w_{1,n+p} \wedge \dots \wedge w_{n,n+p} = P_{1,n-1} dV, \end{aligned}$$

where  $dV = w_{1,n+p} \wedge \dots \wedge w_{n,n+p}$ .

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_{n,0} &= P_{n,0} dV, \\ C_{0,n-1} &= \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} w_{i_1 \alpha} \wedge w'_{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_n c_\alpha = \delta_{1 \dots n}^{i_1 \dots i_n} w'_{i_1 \alpha} \wedge w'_{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge w'_{i_n} c_\alpha \\ &= H' w'_1 \wedge \dots \wedge w'_n = \frac{H'}{K'} dV, \\ C_{n-1,0} &= \frac{H}{K} dV. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get

$$\int (P_{1,n-1} - P_{n,0}) dV + \int x \cdot \left( \frac{H'}{K'} - \frac{H}{K} \right) dV = 0,$$

where  $dV = w_{1,n+p} \wedge \dots \wedge w_{n,n+p}$ .

From the hypotheses  $K = K'$ ,  $H = H'$ , we get

$$\int (P_{1,n-1} - P_{n,0}) dV = 0.$$

Since  $P_{0n} = \frac{1}{K'} = \frac{1}{K} = P_{n0}$ , by Gårding's inequality we get

$$P_{1,n-1} \geq P_{n,0}.$$

The equality sign holds only if  $\lambda_{ij} = \rho \lambda'_{ij}$ . Since  $P_{0n} = P_{n,0}$ , we have  $\rho = 1$ . Hence  $\Sigma$  and  $\Sigma'$  differ from each other by a translation.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\Sigma, \Sigma'$  be two submanifolds described in Theorem 1, and  $\dim(\Sigma) = \dim(\Sigma') = 2$ . If  $\frac{H}{K} = \frac{H'}{K'}$ , then  $f$  is a translation.

*Proof* From (1.10) it follows that

$$\int D_{11} + x \cdot C_{01} = 0,$$

$$\int D_{20} + x \cdot C_{10} = 0,$$

$$\int D_{11} + x' \cdot C_{10} = 0,$$

$$\int D_{02} + x' \cdot C_{01} = 0.$$

From these we get

$$\int (2D_{11} - D_{02} - D_{20}) = \int (x - x') \cdot (C_{10} - C_{01}).$$

It can be written as

$$\int (2p_{11} - p_{02} - p_{20}) dV = \int (x - x') \cdot \left( \frac{H}{K} - \frac{H'}{K'} \right) dV.$$

From the hypothesis  $\frac{H}{K} = \frac{H'}{K'}$ , we have

$$\int (2P_{11} - P_{02} - P_{20}) dV = 0.$$

On the other hand we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2P_{11} - P_{02} - P_{20} &= (\lambda_{11}\lambda'_{22} + \lambda_{22}\lambda'_{11} - \lambda_{12}\lambda'_{21} - \lambda_{21}\lambda'_{12}) \\ &\quad - (\lambda'_{11}\lambda'_{22} - \lambda'_{12}\lambda'_{21}) - (\lambda_{11}\lambda_{22} - \lambda_{12}\lambda_{21}) \\ &= (\lambda_{11} - \lambda'_{11})(\lambda'_{22} - \lambda_{22}) + (\lambda_{12} - \lambda'_{12})^2 \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}[(\lambda_{11} + \lambda_{22}) - (\lambda'_{11} + \lambda'_{22})]^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{11} - \lambda'_{11})^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - \lambda'_{22})^2 + (\lambda_{12} - \lambda'_{12})^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\frac{H}{K} = \frac{H'}{K'}$ , we have  $(\lambda_{11} + \lambda_{22}) - (\lambda'_{11} + \lambda'_{22}) = 0$ . Hence

$$2P_{11} - P_{02} - P_{20} \geq 0.$$

The equality sign holds only if  $\lambda_{ij} = \lambda'_{ij}$ .

## § 2. Some Generalizations of the Hilbert-Liebmann-Hsiung theorem

**Definition.** Let  $e_{n+p}$  be a unit normal vector field over  $\Sigma$ .  $\Sigma$  is called convex with respect to  $e_{n+p}$  if, for each  $x \in \Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma$  is contained in one of the closed half spaces

$$H_x^+ = \{y \in E^{n+p} : (y - x) \cdot e_{n+p}(x) \geq 0\}$$

and

$$H_x^- = \{x \in E^{n+p} : (y - x) \cdot e_{n+p}(x) \leq 0\}.$$

If  $\Sigma$  is convex with respect to  $e_{n+p}$  and

$$\Sigma \cap \{y \in E^{n+p} : (y - x) \cdot e_{n+p}(x) = 0\} = \{x\},$$

then  $\Sigma$  is said to be strictly convex with respect to  $e_{n+p}$ . This definition is a generalization of the convexity of hypersurface. It is easy to prove that if  $\Sigma$  is strictly convex with respect to  $e_{n+p}$ , then  $(h_{i,n+p,i})$  is definite and when we choose the origin  $0 \in \Sigma$ ,  $w \cdot e_{n+p}(x)$  are of the same sign over  $\Sigma$ .

In the following we assume

A. There exist  $P$  unit normal vector fields  $e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{n+p}$  over  $\Sigma$  such that  $\Sigma$  is umbilical with respect to  $e_\tau$  ( $\tau = n+1, \dots, n+p-1$ ), and  $\Sigma$  is strictly convex with respect to  $e_{n+p}$ .

Denote the principal curvature at  $e_\tau$  by  $C_\tau(x)$ , the principal curvatures at  $e_{n+p}$  by  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ . We put

$$S_r = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{r}} \sum \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_r. \quad (2.1)$$

**Theorem 3.** If  $\Sigma$  satisfies assumption A and  $I_e = \text{const.}$  for a fixed even  $e$ ,  $2 \leq e \leq n$ , then  $\Sigma$  is a sphere.

*Proof* From the integral formulas (1.14) it follows that

$$\int dm + \int x \cdot \frac{H}{1} dm = 0,$$

$$\int I_e dm + \int x \cdot \frac{H}{e+1} dm = 0 \quad (dm = w_1 \wedge \dots \wedge w_n).$$

Since  $I_e = \text{const.}$ , we get

$$\int (I_e H_1 - \frac{H}{e+1}) \cdot x dm = 0. \quad (2.2)$$

Let

$$O^2(x) = \sum_{\tau=n+1}^{n+p-1} c_\tau^2(x),$$

$$h_{ij} = h_{i,n+p,j},$$

$$h_{e+1} = \frac{(n-e-1)!}{n!} \delta_{j_1 \dots j_{e+1}}^{i_1 \dots i_{e+1}} (c^2 \delta_{i_1 j_1} \delta_{i_2 j_2} + h_{i_1 j_1} h_{i_2 j_2}) \dots (c^2 \delta_{i_{e-1} j_{e-1}} \delta_{i_e j_e} + h_{i_{e-1} j_{e-1}} h_{i_e j_e}) h_{i_{e+1} j_{e+1}}.$$

Then

$$\frac{H}{1} = (C_{n+1}, C_{n+1}, \dots, C_{n+p-1}, S_1),$$

$$\frac{H}{e+1} = (C_{n+1} I_e, \dots, C_{n+p-1} I_e, h_{e+1}).$$

From (2.2) we get

$$\int (I_e S_1 - \frac{h}{e+1}) x_{n+p} dm = 0, \quad (2.3)$$

where

$$x_{n+p} = x \cdot e_{n+p}(x).$$

Since

$$I_e = \frac{(n-e)!}{n!} \delta_{j_1 \dots j_e}^{i_1 \dots i_e} (c^2 \delta_{i_1 j_1} \delta_{i_2 j_2} + h_{i_1 j_1} h_{i_2 j_2}) \dots (c^2 \delta_{i_{e-1} j_{e-1}} \delta_{i_e j_e} + h_{i_{e-1} j_{e-1}} h_{i_e j_e})$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{e/2} \binom{e/2}{r} S_{2r} C^{e-2r}, \quad (2.4)$$

$$h_{e+1} = \sum_{r=0}^{e/2} \binom{e/2}{r} S_{2r+1} O^{e-2r},$$

we get

$$\sum_{r=0}^{e/2} \binom{e/2}{r} \int (S_{2r} S_1 - S_{2r+1}) x_{n+p} O^{e-2r} dm = 0. \quad (2.6)$$

Since  $(h_{ij})$  is positive definite, we have

$$S_{2r} S_1 - S_{2r+1} \geq 0 \text{ for } 0 \leq r \leq \frac{e}{2}.$$

The equality sign holds only if  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n$ . Hence  $\Sigma$  is also umbilical with respect to  $e_{n+p}$ . Therefore  $\Sigma$  is a sphere (see [3, 4]).

**Theorem 4.** If  $\Sigma$  satisfies assumption A, and there exist two evens  $e, \tau$ ,  $2 \leq \tau < e \leq n$ , such that  $\frac{I_e}{I_\tau} = \text{const.} = a$ , then  $\Sigma$  is a sphere.

*Proof* From (1.14) it follows that

$$\int x \cdot \left( \frac{H}{e+1} - a \frac{H}{\tau+1} \right) dm = - \int (I_e - a I_\tau) dm = 0$$

or

$$\int \left( \frac{h}{e+1} - a \frac{h}{\tau+1} \right) x_{n+p} dm = 0. \quad (2.7)$$

The following inequality is valid

$$\frac{I_\tau}{h_{\tau+1}} \leq \frac{I_{\tau+2}}{h_{\tau+3}}.$$

In fact, from (2.5), (2.6) we have

$$I_{\tau+2} \frac{h}{\tau+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\tau/2} \sum_{j=0}^{\tau/2} \binom{\tau/2+1}{i} \binom{\tau/2}{j} S_{2i} S_{2j+1} O^{2(\tau+1-i-j)} + \sum_{j=0}^{\tau/2} \binom{\tau/2}{j} S_{2j+1} S_{\tau+2} O^{\tau-2j},$$

$$I_\tau \frac{h}{\tau+3} = \sum_{i=0}^{\tau/2} \sum_{j=0}^{\tau/2} \binom{\tau/2+1}{i} \binom{\tau/2}{j} S_{2i+1} S_{2j} O^{2(\tau+1-i-j)} + \sum_{j=0}^{\tau/2} \binom{\tau/2}{j} S_{2j} S_{\tau+3} O^{\tau-2j}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\tau+2} \frac{h}{\tau+1} - I_\tau \frac{h}{\tau+3} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\tau/2} \sum_{j=0}^{\tau/2} \left[ \binom{\tau/2+1}{i} \binom{\tau/2}{j} - \binom{\tau/2+1}{j} \binom{\tau/2}{i} \right] (S_{2i} S_{2j+1} - S_{2j} S_{2i+1}) \\ &\quad \cdot O^{2(\tau+1-i-j)} + \sum_{j=0}^{\tau/2} \binom{\tau/2}{j} (S_{2j+1} S_{\tau+2} - S_{2j} S_{\tau+3}) O^{\tau-2j}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\binom{\tau/2+1}{i} \binom{\tau/2}{j} - \binom{\tau/2+1}{j} \binom{\tau/2}{i} = \frac{\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\right)!^2 \left(\frac{\tau}{2}+1\right)(i-j)}{i!j! \left(\frac{\tau}{2}+1-i\right)! \left(\frac{\tau}{2}+1-j\right)!}$$

and

$$\frac{S_{2i}}{S_{2i+1}} \leq \frac{S_{2j}}{S_{2j+1}} \text{ for } i < j,$$

it is easy to obtain

$$I_{\tau+2} \frac{h}{\tau+1} - I_{\tau} \frac{h}{\tau+3} \geq 0.$$

Thus

$$\frac{I_{\tau}}{h} \leq \frac{I_{\tau+2}}{h} \leq \dots \leq \frac{I_e}{h}.$$

Since

$$\frac{h}{e+1} - a \frac{h}{\tau+1} = \frac{1}{I_{\tau}} (I_{\tau} \frac{h}{e+1} - I_e \frac{h}{\tau+1}) \leq 0,$$

from (2.7) we get  $\frac{h}{e+1} - a \frac{h}{\tau+1} = 0$ , which is possible only when  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n$ . Hence

$\Sigma$  is a sphere.

In the following we further assume

B.  $O_{n+1}^2(x) + \dots + O_{n+p-1}^2(x) = O^2(x) = \text{const.}$

Under hypothesis B we can derive the following integral formulas by induction

$$\int \left( 1 + \sum_{\tau=n+1}^{n+p-1} O_{\tau} x_{\tau} \right) S_e dm + \int x_{n+p} S_{e+1} dm = 0. \quad (2.8)$$

Using (2.8) we can prove the following

**Theorem 5.** If  $\Sigma$  satisfies A, B and  $S_r = \text{const.}$ , then  $\Sigma$  is a sphere.

**Theorem 6.** If  $\Sigma$  satisfies A, B and  $S_e/S_{\tau} = \text{const.}$  for two evens  $\tau$  and  $e$ , then  $\Sigma$  is a sphere ( $\tau \neq e$ ).

When  $\Sigma$  is a strictly convex hypersurface in  $S^{n+1}$ ,  $\Sigma$  satisfies A and B automatically. Hence  $\Sigma$  is a sphere if  $S_r = \text{const.}$  for a fixed even  $e$  (or  $\frac{S_e}{S_{\tau}} = \text{const.}$  for two evens  $e$  and  $\tau$ ,  $2 \leq \tau < e \leq n$ ).

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