

# THE STRUCTURE OF A RIEMANNIAN MANIFOLD ADMITTING A PARALLEL FIELD OF ONE-DIMENSIONAL TANGENT VECTOR SUBSPACES

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional connected complete Riemannian manifold of class  $C^2$ , admitting a parallel field of one-dimensional tangent vector subspaces.  $M$  is also regarded as a Riemannian manifold whose homogeneous holonomy group fixes a one-dimensional tangent vector subspace. The purpose of this note is to discuss the global geometrical structure of  $M$ . Locally, the parallel field is generated from a parallel field of non-zero tangent vectors which is locally defined. The structure, that is the local decomposition of the Riemannian metric, has been well known to many geometers. Starting from this local structure we proceed to determine the global structure of  $M$ . The main results are shown in Theorems 1 – 7. Among them Theorems 1 – 6 give structures in respective cases, and from the last Theorem 7 we can know a general structure of  $M$ .

From now on, the word “ $k$ -dimensional” is abbreviated “ $k$ ”, say, like  $k$ -space (but “ $R$ ” etc have not such a meaning). Let us suppose that Latin indices  $a, b$  run from 1 to  $n - 1$  and Greek indices  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  from 1 to  $n$ . Let  $E$  be a Euclidean 1-space with the coordinate system  $\{t \mid -\infty < t < \infty\}$  and  $dt$  denotes the infinitesimal distance. Let  $E'$  be the part  $\{t \mid 0 \leq t < \infty\}$  of  $E$ . Moreover for a constant  $L > 0$ , let  $[L]$  be the part  $\{t \mid 0 \leq t \leq L\}$  of  $E$ .

The following conventions in a Riemannian manifold  $X$  are also applied to all of Riemannian manifolds: The *parallelism* in  $X$  means the one of Levi-Civita. A *neighborhood* in  $X$  is always an open set homeomorphic to Euclidean space. Take any  $x, y \in X$ . Let  $[x, y]$  denote a geodesic arc joining  $x$  to  $y$ . And further, take a unit tangent vector  $v$  at  $x$ . Given a real number  $c$ ,  $g(x, v, c)$  is defined to be the geodesic arc issuing from  $x$ , whose length is  $|c|$  and whose initial vector is  $v$  or  $-v$  according as  $c > 0$  or  $< 0$ . Let  $(x, v, c)$  denote its terminal point. Note that a geodesic arc is not necessarily simple and sometimes may be closed. Let a curve  $\alpha: x(t)$  (say,  $a \leq t \leq b$ ) be given in  $X$ . At  $x_0 = x(a)$  we take a unit vector  $v_0$  tangent to  $X$ . Corresponding to each  $t$ , let  $v(t)$  be the unit vector at  $x(t)$  parallel to  $v_0$  along  $\alpha$ . Moreover if a geodesic arc  $g(x_0, v_0, c)$  is given, each geodesic arc

$g(x(t), v(t), c)$  is said to be *parallel* to  $g(x_0, v_0, c)$  along  $\alpha$ . And as usual, to displace the latter arc parallelly along  $\alpha$  is to obtain the former arcs. A *covering manifold*  $C(X)$  of  $X$  is defined to be a connected covering manifold of  $X$  with the Riemannian metric naturally induced from  $X$  by the covering map  $p$ .  $C(X)$  is of the same differentiability class as  $X$ . However, we sometimes allow local coordinate systems whose differentiability classes are minus 1 from that of  $X$ . Especially, if  $p^{-1}(x)$  ( $x \in X$ ) consists of just two points,  $C(X)$  is called a *double covering manifold* of  $X$ . Let us take the product  $X \times E$ . Into it, we introduce a Riemannian metric by  $ds^2 = ds_x^2 + dt^2$  where  $ds_x$  denotes the Riemannian metric in  $X$ . We get thus a Riemannian manifold  $X \times E$ , which is usually called the *metric product* of  $X$  and  $E$ . Similarly, the metric products  $X \times E'$ ,  $X \times [L]$  are considered and they are Riemannian spaces. And a point of  $X \times E$  etc. is denoted by  $(x, t)$  where  $x \in X$ , as usual. The notation “ $\times$ ” always means the operation of a metric product. Over  $X$ , a *field of vectors* (*vector spaces*) implies that to each point of  $X$  a vector (a vector space) is assigned. Let  $S$  be a field of vector 1-spaces and let  $V$  be a field of vectors. Then, the expression that  $S$  is *generated* from  $V$  means that at each point of  $X$  the vector 1-space of  $S$  is generated from the vector of  $V$ . Moreover, the expression “ $X$  admits (or is *admitting*) a field” implies always to admit the field throughout  $X$ .

**2. Preliminaries** Let  $M$  be a connected complete Riemannian  $n$ -manifold ( $n > 1$ ) of class  $C^2$ , admitting a parallel field of tangent vector 1-subspaces. ( $M$  is such one throughout the whole discussion.) The parallel field is called the *S-field* over  $M$ . Let us take the field of tangent vector  $(n - 1)$ -subspaces, which is orthogonal to the *S-field* at each point of  $M$ . It is obvious that the field forms a parallel field over  $M$ , too. We call it the *R-field*. Such a manifold  $M$  will be called an *RS-manifold* of dimension  $n$ .

Take any  $x_0 \in M$ . Let  $U$  be an admissible coordinate neighborhood of  $x_0$ . Let  $(x^\alpha)$  be its coordinate system. Let  $(g_{\alpha\beta})$  denote the fundamental tensor in  $U$ .  $U$  being simply-connected, we can find a parallel field  $\{v(x) | x \in U\}$  in  $U$  of unit tangent vectors, from which the *S-field* restricted to  $U$  is generated. We denote its vector  $v \equiv v(x)$  by  $(v^\alpha)$ . Put  $v_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta}v^\beta$ . Then we have

$$\frac{\partial v_\beta}{\partial x^\gamma} - \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \beta\gamma \end{matrix} \right\} v_\alpha = 0$$

where  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \beta\gamma \end{matrix} \right\}$  are Christoffel's symbols constructed from  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ . Hence

$$\frac{\partial v_\beta}{\partial x^\gamma} = \frac{\partial v_\gamma}{\partial x^\beta}.$$

This shows that the system of differential equations

$$(2.1) \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\alpha} = v_\alpha$$

has a solution of class  $C^3$ . We denote it by  $f^n(x^1, \dots, x^n)$ . Moreover we consider the differential equation

$$(2.2) \quad v^\alpha \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^\alpha} = 0.$$

Among the solutions there exist  $n-1$  independent functions  $f^\alpha(x^1, \dots, x^n)$  of class  $C^2$ . These functions  $f^\alpha \equiv f^\alpha(x^1, \dots, x^n)$  can be supposed to be defined in a neighborhood ( $\subset U$ ) of  $x_0$ . We see easily

$$\frac{\partial(f^1, \dots, f^n)}{\partial(x^1, \dots, x^n)} \neq 0$$

at  $x_0$ . Put

$$x'^\alpha = f^\alpha(x^1, \dots, x^n).$$

Using these, let us transform the coordinate system  $(x^\alpha)$ . We get thus a coordinate neighborhood  $U' (\subset U)$  of  $x_0$ , which is covered by the new coordinate system  $(x'^\alpha)$ . Let  $(g'_{\alpha\beta})$  be the fundamental tensor in  $U'$ . When  $g^{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $g'^{\alpha\beta}$  are defined by  $g^{\alpha\gamma}g_{\gamma\beta} = \delta^\alpha_\beta$ ,  $g'^{\alpha\gamma}g'_{\gamma\beta} = \delta^\alpha_\beta$ , we have

$$g'^{\alpha n} = \frac{\partial f^\alpha}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial f^n}{\partial x^\beta} g^{\alpha\beta}.$$

Since  $f^\alpha$  satisfy (2.1) or (2.2), we get  $g'^{\alpha n} = 0$ , i. e.  $g'_{an} = 0$ . We see that in  $U'$  the vector  $v$  is represented by  $(\delta^n_\alpha)$ . So, from the parallelism we have

$$\frac{\partial \delta^n_\alpha}{\partial x'^\beta} + \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \beta\gamma \end{matrix} \right\}' \delta^n_\gamma = 0$$

where  $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \beta\gamma \end{matrix} \right\}'$  are Christoffel's symbols constructed from  $g'_{\alpha\beta}$ . Hence

$$\left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha \\ \beta\gamma \end{matrix} \right\}' = 0.$$

From this and  $g'_{nn} = 0$ , it follows that  $g'_{nn} = \text{const.}$  and  $g'_{ab}$  are independent of  $x'^n$ . And further,  $g'_{nn} = 1$ , the vector  $v$  being a unit vector.

The results above are stated as follows: *At any  $x_0 \in M$  there exists a coordinate neighborhood  $W$  such that the Riemannian metric in  $W$  is expressed by*

$$ds^2 = g_{ab}dx^a dx^b + (dx^n)^2$$

where  $(x^\alpha)$  denotes the coordinate system in  $W$  and  $g_{ab}$  are the functions of  $x^1, \dots, x^{n-1}$  only. Moreover, in  $W$  we can see following facts: *If coordinates  $x^a$  are varied leaving  $x^n$  only fixed, we obtain an integral manifold of the R-field. If a coordinate  $x^n$  is varied leaving all of  $x^a$  fixed, we*

obtain an integral manifold of the  $S$ -field, that is a geodesic in which  $x^n$  plays the role of the arc-length. Such a coordinate neighborhoods of  $x_0$ , whose coordinate system  $(x^\alpha)$  consists of all of  $(x^\alpha)$ 's such that  $a^\alpha < x^\alpha < b^\alpha$  (where  $a^\alpha, b^\alpha$  are constants), is called a *reduced coordinate neighborhood* of  $x_0$ .

Let  $W, W'$  be two reduced coordinate neighborhoods of  $x_0$ . Let  $(x^\alpha), (x'^\alpha)$  be their coordinate systems respectively. Let  $W''$  be the connected component of  $W \cap W'$  containing  $x_0$ . In  $W''$  the coordinate systems  $(x^\alpha)$  and  $(x'^\alpha)$  are combined by the relations decomposed as follows:

$$x'^\alpha = f'^\alpha(x^1, \dots, x^{n-1}), \quad x'^n = \varepsilon x^n + \text{const.} \quad (\varepsilon = +1 \text{ or } -1)$$

where  $f'^\alpha$  are the functions of class  $C^2$  independent of  $x^n$ .

Moreover we can see that through  $x_0 \in M$  there passes a pair of the maximal, connected integral manifolds of the  $R$ -and  $S$ -fields. Let  $R(x_0)$  and  $S(x_0)$  denote the ones respectively. We give them the Riemannian metrics which are naturally induced from  $M$ , and call them  $R$ -and  $S$ -submanifolds of  $M$  respectively. They form Riemannian manifolds of class  $C^1$  and the following fact is easily verified: *All of the  $R$ -and  $S$ -submanifolds are totally geodesic, and complete as Riemannian manifolds.* Indeed, each of the  $S$ -submanifolds is a geodesic. Accordingly it is also called an  $S$ -geodesic. Let  $I(x_0)$  denote a subset  $R(x_0) \cap S(x_0)$ .

Let  $X$  be a connected complete Riemannian  $(n-1)$ -manifold of class  $C^1$ . That  $M$  is of one of the following types I–VI means that for suitable  $X$  etc. there is an isometric homeomorphism of class  $C^2$ , of  $M$  onto the corresponding Riemannian manifold, which maps each  $R$ -submanifold onto  $t = \text{const.}$

*Type I:* The Riemannian manifold  $X \times E$ .

*Type II:* The Riemannian manifold constructed from  $X \times [L]$  by identifying  $(x, L)$  with  $(x, 0)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Provided that there exists a non-trivial isometric homeomorphism  $\phi$  of class  $C^2$ , of  $X$  onto itself, we define

*Type III:* The Riemannian manifold constructed from  $X \times [L]$  by identifying  $(x, L)$  with  $(\phi(x), 0)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Next suppose that there exists an isometric involutive homeomorphism  $\psi$  of class  $C^2$ , having no fixed points, of  $X$  onto itself. (By the word "involutive" it is meant that  $\psi\psi(x) = x$  for each  $x \in X$ .)

*Type IV:* The Riemannian manifold constructed from  $X \times E'$  by identifying  $(x, 0)$  with  $(\psi(x), 0)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

*Type V:* The Riemannian manifold constructed from  $X \times [L]$  by identifying  $(x, 0)$  with  $(\psi(x), 0)$ , and  $(x, L)$  with  $(\psi(x), L)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

Furthermore, provided that there exists another homeomorphism  $\psi'$  of

$X$  onto itself, with the same property as  $\psi$ , we define

*Type VI:* The Riemannian manifold constructed from  $X \times [L]$  by identifying  $(x, 0)$  with  $(\psi(x), 0)$ , and  $(x, L)$  with  $(\psi'(x), L)$  for all  $x \in X$ .

In  $M$  suppose that there exists a connected open submanifold  $M^0$  which satisfies the following conditions 1) and 2), or 1) and 3):

1)  $M^0$  is a union set of  $S$ -geodesics and the closure of  $M^0$  is  $M$ .  
 2)  $M^0$  is the maximal subset in which each point  $x$  is a limit point of  $I(x)$  relative to each of submanifolds  $R(x)$  and  $S(x)$ .

3)  $M^0$  is a maximal subspace which becomes a fibre bundle where each fibre is an  $S$ -geodesic. (By the word "maximal" it is meant that there are no subspaces,  $\supset M^0, \neq M^0$ , which have the same property.)

When  $M^0$  satisfies 1) and 2),  $M$  is said to be of *almost clustered type* with *kernel*  $M^0$ . In this case, if  $M = M^0$ ,  $M$  is simply said to be of *clustered type*.

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If  $M$  is not of almost fibred type but of type III (VI),  $M$  is said to be of *non-fibred type III (VI)*. If  $M$  is not of one of types I—VI,  $M$  is said to be of *non-simple type*.

**3. Fundamental lemmas.** Take any  $x_0 \in M$ . An *R-neighborhood* of  $x_0$  is a neighborhood in  $R(x_0)$ . A *normal vector* at  $x_0$  is a unit tangent vector at  $x_0$  orthogonal to  $R(x_0)$ . Let  $n(x_0)$  always denote one of the normal vectors at  $x_0$ . Take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$  of  $M$ . At each point  $x$  of  $R_0$  we plant a normal vector  $n(x)$ . If  $n(x)$  becomes continuous over  $R_0$ , the set  $\{n(x) | x \in R_0\}$  is said to be a *normal vector field* over  $R_0$ . Then  $R_0$  admits just two normal vector fields and the normal vectors  $n(x)$  are parallel to one another along any curves of class  $D^1$  in  $R_0$ . Similarly over an  $R$ -neighborhood too, the notion of normal vector field is defined. In this case, there exist always just two normal vector fields, because it is simply-connected. For any two points  $x, y$  of an  $R$ -submanifold, let  $d_R(x, y)$  denote the length of a minimizing geodesic in the  $R$ -submanifold joining  $x$  to  $y$ .

Again we take any  $x_0 \in M$ . Let  $n_0$  be a normal vector at  $x_0$ . For a constant  $c$ , put  $y_0 = (x_0, n_0, c)$ . Then we have

LEMMA 3. 1. *There exists an R-neighborhood  $W_R$  at  $x_0$  such that, if  $\{n(x) | x \in W_R\}$  is the normal vector field over  $W_R$  where  $n(x_0) = n_0$ ,  $R(y_0)$  contains  $(x, n(x), c)$  for all  $x \in W_R$  and the map*

$$f: W_R \rightarrow R(y_0) \quad \text{defined by} \quad f(x) = (x, n(x), c)$$

*is an isometric into-homeomorphism.*

PROOF. 1) The case where the geodesic arc  $g(x_0, n_0, c)$  is contained in a reduced coordinate neighborhood  $U$ . Let  $W_R$  be the connected component of  $U \cap R(x_0)$  containing  $x_0$ . In  $U$ , let  $(x_0^a)$  denote  $x_0$ . Then,  $y_0$  is denoted by  $(x_0^a, x_0^a + \varepsilon c)$  where  $\varepsilon = +1$  or  $-1$ . Moreover, if each  $x \in W_R$  is denoted by  $(x^a)$ , then  $x^n = x_0^n$  and  $(x, n(x), c)$  is denoted by  $(x^a, x_0^n + \varepsilon c)$ . Therefore by §2 we can see that  $W_R$  satisfies the condition in our lemma.

2) The other case. Take a finite system of reduced coordinate neighborhoods  $U_\lambda (\lambda = 1, 2, \dots, h)$  such that each  $U_\lambda$  contains a geodesic arc  $[x_{\lambda-1}, x_\lambda]$  where the product curve  $[x_0, x_1] \cdot [x_1, x_2] \cdot \dots \cdot [x_{h-1}, x_h]$  becomes  $g(x_0, n_0, c)$ . To each  $U_\lambda$  and  $[x_{\lambda-1}, x_\lambda]$ , apply the result of 1). Thus we can easily find an  $R$ -neighborhood  $W_R$  at  $x_0$  in our lemma.

Moreover let  $x(t) (a \leq t \leq b)$ ,  $x(a) = x_0$ , be a curve of class  $D^1$  in  $R(x_0)$ . Corresponding to each  $t$ , let  $n(t)$  be the normal vector at  $x(t)$  parallel to  $n_0$  along the curve. Put  $y(t) = (x(t), n(t), c)$ . Let  $n'(t)$  be the normal vector at  $y(t)$  parallel to  $n(t)$  along  $g(x(t), n(t), c) (t: \text{fixed})$ . Then we have

LEMMA 3.2. 1)  $y(t) (a \leq t \leq b)$  is a curve of class  $D^1$  in  $R(y_0)$  and  $\{n'(t) | a \leq t \leq b\}$  consists of normal vectors parallel to one another along the curve  $y(t)$ . 2) For any  $y_1 \in R(y_0)$  there exist a point  $x_1 \in R(x_0)$  and a normal vector  $n_1$  at  $x_1$  such that  $y_1 = (x_1, n_1, c)$ .

PROOF. To prove 1), cover the curve  $x(t)$  by a finite system of  $R$ -neighborhoods which have the same property as  $W_R$  in Lemma 3.1. Then 1) is easily verified. To prove 2), take a curve  $z(t) (0 \leq t \leq 1)$ ,  $z(0) = y_0$ ,  $z(1) = y_1$ , of class  $D^1$  in  $R(y_0)$ . Let  $n'_0$  be a normal vector at  $y_0$  such that  $(y_0, n'_0, c) = x_0$ . Let  $n'_1$  be the normal vector at  $y_1$  parallel to  $n'_0$  along the curve  $z(t)$ . Now put  $x_1 = (y_1, n'_1, c)$ . Then  $x_1 \in R(x_0)$ , and  $y_1 = (x_1, \varepsilon n(x_1), c)$  for  $\varepsilon = +1$  or  $-1$ . So 2) is proved.

Next, at  $x_0 \in M$  we shall express  $S(x_0)$  by  $x(s) (-\infty < s < \infty)$  where  $x(0) = x_0$  and  $s$  denotes the arc-length. If  $S(x_0)$  is closed, it represents  $S(x_0)$  many times. Let  $u_0$  be a unit vector at  $x_0$  tangent to  $R(x_0)$  and let  $c$  be a positive constant. Now, displace  $u_0$  parallelly along the curve  $x(s)$ . Then corresponding to each  $s$ , we get a vector  $u(s)$  at  $x(s)$  and it is tangent to  $R(x(s))$ . Hence,  $g(x(s), u(s), c) \subset R(x(s))$ . Put  $z_0 = (x_0, u_0, c)$  and we have

LEMMA 3.3. *There exists a non-closed geodesic arc  $x(s) (-\tau \leq s \leq \tau; \tau > 0)$  such that  $(x(s), u(s), c) \in S(z_0)$  for all  $s (-\tau \leq s \leq \tau)$  and the map*

$$f: x(s) (-\tau \leq s \leq \tau) \rightarrow S(z_0) \text{ defined by } f(x(s)) = (x(s), u(s), c)$$

*is an isometric into-homeomorphism.*

PROOF. 1) The case where the geodesic arc  $g(x_0, u_0, c)$  is contained in a

reduced coordinate neighborhood  $U$ . Then there exists  $\tau > 0$  such that  $x(s)$  ( $-\tau \leq s \leq \tau$ ) is contained in  $U$ . In  $U$  let  $(x_0^\alpha)$ ,  $(z_0^\alpha)$ , and  $(u_0^\alpha)$  denote  $x_0$ ,  $z_0$ , and  $u_0$  respectively. Then,  $x_0^n = z_0^n$  and  $u_0^n = 0$ . And corresponding to each  $s$  ( $-\tau \leq s \leq \tau$ )  $x(s)$  is denoted by  $(x_i^n, x_i^n + \varepsilon s)$  where  $\varepsilon = +1$  or  $-1$ , and  $u(s)$  by  $(u^n, 0)$ . Hence,  $(x(s), u(s), c)$  is denoted by  $(z_0^n, z_0^n + \varepsilon s)$ . Therefore we can see that  $x(s)$  ( $-\tau \leq s \leq \tau$ ) satisfies the condition in our lemma.

2) The other case. Take a finite system of reduced coordinate neighborhoods  $U_\lambda$  ( $\lambda = 1, 2, \dots, h$ ) such that each  $U_\lambda$  contains a geodesic arc  $[x_{\lambda-1}, x_\lambda]$  where the product curve  $[x_0, x_1] \cdot [x_1, x_2] \cdot \dots \cdot [x_{h-1}, x_h]$  becomes  $g(x_0, u_0, c)$ . To each  $U_\lambda$  and  $[x_{\lambda-1}, x_\lambda]$  apply the result of 1). Thus we can easily find a geodesic arc in our lemma.

Under the same notations; put  $z(s) = (x(s), u(s), c)$ , then the following lemma is obvious:

LEMMA 3.4. 1) A curve  $z(s)$  ( $-\infty < s < \infty$ ) represents  $S(z_0)$  (many times if it is closed) and the parameter  $s$  plays the role of the arc-length in  $S(z_0)$ .  
2) If  $c = d_R(x_0, z_0)$ ,  $d_R(x(s), z(s)) \leq c$  for any  $s$ .

In  $M$  let  $x_0, y_0$  be any two points. Then we have

LEMMA 3.5. A set  $R(x_0) \cap S(y_0)$  is non-empty and at most countable.

PROOF. 1) Let us prove  $R(x_0) \cap S(y_0) \neq \emptyset$ . Take a geodesic arc  $[y_0, x_0] = g(y_0, v_0, c)$  where  $c > 0$ . If  $v_0$  is tangent to  $R(y_0)$ ,  $R(y_0)$  contains  $x_0$  and obviously  $R(x_0) \cap S(y_0) \neq \emptyset$ . Accordingly, let us consider the case where  $v_0$  is not tangent to  $R(x_0)$ . Then at each  $y \in [y_0, x_0]$  too, the tangent vector of  $[y_0, x_0]$  is not tangent to  $R(y)$ . We can find a finite system of reduced coordinate neighborhoods  $U_\lambda$  ( $\lambda = 1, 2, \dots, h$ ) such that each  $U_\lambda$  contains a geodesic arc  $(y_0, v_0, s)$  ( $c_{\lambda-1} \leq s \leq c_\lambda$ ) where  $0 = c_0 < c_1 < \dots < c_h = c$ . Put  $y_\lambda = (y_0, v_0, c_\lambda)$ . In  $U_\lambda$  suppose that points  $y_{\lambda-1}$  and  $y_\lambda$  are denoted by  $(y_{\lambda-1}^\alpha)$  and  $(y_\lambda^\alpha)$  respectively. Here, put  $d_\lambda = |y_{\lambda-1}^\alpha - y_\lambda^\alpha|$ . In  $U_0$  let  $(v_0^\alpha)$  denote  $v_0$ . Then  $v_0^n \neq 0$ , and let  $n_0$  be a vector  $(\varepsilon d_0^\alpha)$  (in  $U_0$ ) at  $x_0$  where  $\varepsilon = +1$  or  $-1$  according as  $v_0^n > 0$  or  $< 0$ . Hence,  $(y_0, n_0, d_1) \in R(y_1)$ . By Lemma 3.2 we can further verify  $(y_0, n_0, d_1 + d_2) \in R(y_2), \dots$ , and finally  $(y_0, n_0, d_1 + d_2 + \dots + d_h) \in R(y_h)$ . This implies  $R(x_0) \cap S(y_0) \neq \emptyset$ .

2) Let us prove that  $R(x_0) \cap S(y_0)$  is at most countable. As a point set,  $S(y_0)$  can be regarded as the union set of  $\{\alpha_\lambda | \lambda = 1, 2, \dots\}$  where  $\alpha_\lambda$  is a subarc of  $S(y_0)$  contained in a reduced coordinate neighborhood  $U_\lambda$ . (The index  $\lambda$  runs at most to  $\infty$ .) Here,  $R(x_0) \cap \alpha_\lambda \subset R(x_0) \cap U_\lambda$ .  $R(x_0)$  satisfies the second countability axiom. So,  $R(x_0) \cap U_\lambda$  consists of an at most countable system of non-intersecting  $R$ -neighborhoods in  $R(x_0)$ . Hence,  $R(x_0) \cap \alpha_\lambda$  is at most countable. Therefore  $R(x_0) \cap S(y_0)$  is at most countable.

**4. Topology of  $R$ -submanifolds and structures.** In  $M$  suppose that each of the  $R$ -submanifolds admits normal vector field. Then we have

LEMMA 4.1. *The  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field of unit tangent vectors.*

PROOF. Take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$ . At  $x_0 \in R_0$  let us suppose that there exists  $c > 0$  such that  $(x_0, n(x_0), c) \in R_0$  for a suitable  $n(x_0)$ . Let  $\{n(x) \mid x \in R_0\}$  be the normal vector field containing  $n(x_0)$ . Let  $n_c$  be the vector at  $x_c \equiv (x_0, n(x_0), c)$  parallel to  $n(x_0)$  along  $g(x_0, n(x_0), c)$ . Then,  $n_c = n(x_c)$ . If  $n_c \neq n(x_c)$ , we have  $n(x_c) = -n_c$  and  $x_0 \neq x_c$ . Put  $x'_0 = (x_0, n(x_0), c/2)$ . We displace  $g(x_0, n(x_0), c/2)$  parallelly along a curve in  $R(x_0)$  joining  $x_0$  to  $x_c$ . Then the displacement shows that  $n(x'_0)$  is parallel to  $-n(x'_0)$  along the curve in  $R(x'_0)$ . This implies that  $R(x'_0)$  does not admit normal vector field. It is contrary to the assumption. So,  $n_c = n(x_c)$ . From this fact and Lemmas 3.1, 3.5, our lemma is proved.

Conversely suppose that in  $M$  the  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field  $\{v(x) \mid x \in M\}$  of unit tangent vectors. Over each  $R$ -submanifold  $R$ , a subset  $\{v(x) \mid x \in R\}$  becomes a normal vector field. That is, the converse of Lemma 4.1 holds good. Let  $R_0, R_1$  be any two of the  $R$ -submanifolds. Take any  $x_0 \in R_0$ . By Lemma 3.5 there exists  $c$  such that  $x_1 \equiv (x_0, v(x_0), c) \in R_1$ . Then we have

LEMMA 4.2. *The map*

$$f: R_0 \rightarrow R_1 \quad \text{defined by} \quad f(x) = (x, v(x), c)$$

*where  $x \in R_0$ , is an isometric homeomorphism.*

Such a map  $f$  is called the  $R$ -map with respect to a geodesic arc  $g(x_0, v(x_0), c)$ .

PROOF. Take  $y_1 \in R_1$ . By Lemma 3.2,  $y_0 \equiv (y_1, -v(y_1), c) \in R_0$ . So,  $y_1 = (y_0, v(y_0), c)$ . Hence,  $f$  is an onto-map. Next for  $x'_0, y'_0 \in R_0$ , if  $(x'_0, v(x'_0), c) = (y'_0, v(y'_0), c) (\equiv x'_1)$ , then  $(x'_1, -v(x'_1), c) = x'_0$  and  $= y'_0$ . So,  $x'_0 = y'_0$ . This implies that  $f$  is one-to-one. By Lemma 3.1 our lemma is proved.

In  $M$ , take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$ . At  $x_0 \in R_0$  let  $N(x_0)$  denote the set of all positive numbers  $s$  such that at least one of two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), s)$  belongs to  $R_0$ . If  $N(x_0)$  is non-empty, we denote the greatest lower bound of  $N(x_0)$  by  $\rho(x_0)$ . If  $N(x_0)$  is empty, we put  $\rho(x_0) = \infty$ . So,  $0 \leq \rho(x_0) \leq \infty$ . By Lemma 3.2 we have  $\rho(x) = \rho(x_0)$  for any  $x \in R_0$ . Accordingly, we denote  $\rho(x_0)$  by  $\rho(R_0)$ . We call  $\rho(R_0)$  the *distance* of  $R_0$ . Let  $R_1$  be another  $R$ -submanifold. At  $x_0 \in R_0$  let  $N(x_0, R_1)$  be the set of all positive numbers  $s$  such that at least one of two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), s)$  belongs to  $R_1$ . By Lemma

3.5,  $N(x_0, R_1)$  is non-empty. We denote the greatest lower bound of  $N(x_0, R_1)$  by  $\rho(x_0, R_1)$ . So,  $0 \leq \rho(x_0, R_1) < \infty$ . By Lemma 3.2 we have  $\rho(x_0, R_1) = \rho(x, R_1)$  for any  $x \in R_0$ . Accordingly, we denote  $\rho(x_0, R_1)$  by  $\rho(R_0, R_1)$ . We call  $\rho(R_0, R_1)$  the *distance* between  $R_0, R_1$ . Then we have

LEMMA 4.3. 1) If  $0 < \rho(R_0) < \infty$ , at least one of two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), \rho(R_0))$  belongs to  $R_0$ . 2) If  $\rho(R_0) > 0$ ,  $\rho(R) > 0$  for any  $R$ -submanifold  $R$ . 3) If  $\rho(R_0, R_1) > 0$ , at least one of two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), \rho(R_0, R_1))$  belongs to  $R_1$ .

PROOF. The case where  $0 < \rho(R_0) < \infty$ . Suppose that two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), \rho(R_0))$  do not belong to  $R_0$ . Then for a suitable normal vector  $n_0$  at  $x_0$ , we can find a sequence  $\{s_\lambda \mid s_\lambda > s_{\lambda+1}; \lambda = 1, 2, \dots\}$  such that  $\lim s_\lambda = \rho(R_0)$  and  $x_\lambda \equiv (x_0, n_0, s_\lambda) \in R_0$  for all  $s_\lambda$ . Here, there exists an index  $m$  which satisfies  $s_m - s_{m+1} < \rho(R_0)$ . Let  $\alpha$  be a curve of class  $D^1$  in  $R_0$  joining  $x_{m+1}$  to  $x_0$ . Take the arc  $[x_0, x'_0]$  parallel to a geodesic arc  $(x_0, n_0, s)$  ( $s_{m+1} \leq s \leq s_m$ ) along  $\alpha$ . Indeed, it is one of two arcs  $g(x_0, \pm n_0, s_m - s_{m+1})$ . By Lemma 3.2,  $x'_0 \in R_0$ . Accordingly,  $\rho(R_0) \leq s_m - s_{m+1}$ . This is obviously a contradiction. So, 1) holds good.

The case where  $\rho(R_0) > 0$ . Suppose that  $\rho(R') = 0$  for an  $R$ -submanifold  $R'$ . By Lemma 3.5 there exists a non-closed subarc  $[x'_0, x_0]$  of  $S(x_0)$  where  $x'_0 \in R'$ . For a suitable normal vector  $n'_0$  at  $x'_0$ , we can find a sequence  $\{s_\lambda \mid s_\lambda > s_{\lambda+1}; \lambda = 1, 2, \dots\}$  such that  $\lim s_\lambda = 0$  and  $x'_\lambda \equiv (x'_0, n'_0, s_\lambda) \in R'$  for all  $s_\lambda$ . Corresponding to each  $\lambda$ , let  $\alpha_\lambda$  denote a curve of class  $D^1$  in  $R'$  joining  $x'_0$  to  $x'_\lambda$ . Take the arc  $[x'_\lambda, x_\lambda]$  parallel to the arc  $[x'_0, x_0]$  along  $\alpha_\lambda$ . The arc is a subarc of  $S(x_0)$ . By Lemma 3.2,  $x_\lambda \in R_0$ . Moreover there exists a subarc  $[x_\mu, x_\nu]$  of  $S(x_0)$  (where  $x_\mu, x_\nu \in \{x_\lambda\}, x_\mu \neq x_\nu$ ) whose length is smaller than  $\rho(R_0)$ . This is obviously a contradiction. So, 2) holds good.

The case where  $\rho(R_0, R_1) > 0$ . Suppose that two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), \rho(R_0, R_1))$  do not belong to  $R_1$ . Then,  $\rho(R_1) = 0$  holds good. We can get thus a contradiction that the distance between  $R_0, R_1$  is smaller than  $\rho(R_0, R_1)$ . So, 3) holds good.

In  $M$ , let  $R_0$  be an  $R$ -submanifold. *The condition  $\rho(R_0) > 0$  is equivalent to the condition that the topology of  $R_0$  coincides with the relative one induced from  $M$ .* Lemma 4.3 shows that, *if the topology of  $R_0$  coincides with the relative one, this holds also good for other  $R$ -submanifold.*

THEOREM 1. *In  $M$  suppose that the topology of an  $R$ -submanifold coincides with the relative one induced from  $M$ . Then  $M$  is of one of types I–VI.*

PROOF. For any  $R$ -submanifold  $R$ , we have  $\rho(R) > 0$ . The following

four cases are considered :

1) The case where each  $R$ -submanifold admits normal vector field. By Lemma 4.1, the  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field of unit tangent vectors. We can see  $\rho(R_0) = \rho(R_1)$  for any  $R$ -submanifolds  $R_0, R_1$ . By Lemma 4.2 the following conclusion is now obvious: For any  $R$ -submanifold  $R$ , if  $\rho(R) = \infty$ ,  $M$  is of type I, and if  $\rho(R) < \infty$ ,  $M$  is of type II or III.

2) The case where an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$  only does not admit normal vector field. Put  $L = \rho(R_0)$ . Of course  $0 < L \leq \infty$ . For each  $c$  ( $0 < c < L$ ), let  $R_c$  be the  $R$ -submanifold passing through a point  $(x_0, n(x_0), c)$  where  $x_0 \in R_0$ . In our case,  $n(x)$  ( $x \in R_0$ ) is parallel to  $-n(x)$  along a suitable curve in  $R_0$ . This and Lemma 3.2 show that  $R_c$  consists of  $(x, \pm n(x), c)$  for all  $x \in R_0$ . Here suppose  $(x_1, n(x_1), c) = (x_1, -n(x_1), c)$  for  $x_1 \in R_0$ . We can see that  $R_c$  does not admit normal vector field. This contradicts with our case. So, we have  $(x, n(x), c) \neq (x, -n(x), c)$  for all  $x \in R_0$ . Next for  $x_1, x_2 \in R_0$  ( $x_1 \neq x_2$ ), suppose  $(x_1, n(x_1), c) = (x_2, n(x_2), c)$  ( $\equiv y_1$ ).  $g(x_1, n(x_1), c)$  is parallel to  $g(x_2, n(x_2), c)$  along a suitable curve in  $R_0$ . Hence by Lemma 3.2 we can see that  $n(y_1)$  is parallel to  $-n(y_1)$  along the closed curve in  $R_c$ . Accordingly  $R_c$  does not admit normal vector field. This contradicts with our case, so we have  $(x_1, n(x_1), c) \neq (x_2, n(x_2), c)$  for  $x_1, x_2 \in R_0$  ( $x_1 \neq x_2$ ). These results and Lemma 3.1 show that  $R_c$  is a double covering manifold of  $R_0$ . The covering map  $p$  satisfies  $p(x_\varepsilon) = x$  where  $x \in R_0$  and  $x_\varepsilon \equiv (x, \varepsilon n(x), c)$  for  $\varepsilon = +1$  or  $-1$ . It is now clear that  $R_c$  is isometrically homeomorphic to  $R_{c'}$  ( $0 < c' < L$ ). Suppose  $L < \infty$ . By Lemmas 3.2 and 4.3, we have  $x'_0 \equiv (x_0, n(x_0), L) \in R_0$  where  $x_0 \in R_0$ . So, there exists a normal vector  $n(x'_0)$  such that  $(x'_0, n(x'_0), L) = x_0$ . Since  $n(x'_0)$  is parallel to  $n(x_0)$  along a suitable curve in  $R_0$ , the  $R$ -submanifold passing through a point  $(x_0, n(x_0), L/2)$  does not admit normal vector field by Lemma 3.2. This is contrary to our case. Therefore,  $L = \infty$  must hold good. These results show that  $M$  is of type IV.

3) The case where two  $R$ -submanifolds  $R_0, R_1$  only do not admit normal vector field. We get  $\rho(R_0, R_1) > 0$ . Because, if  $\rho(R_0, R_1) = 0$ , we have  $\rho(R_0) = \rho(R_1) = 0$  which contradicts with the assumption. Put  $L = \rho(R_0, R_1)$  and take  $x_0 \in R_0$ . By Lemmas 3.2 and 4.3, two points  $(x_0, \pm n(x_0), L)$  belong to  $R_1$ . We get  $\rho(R_0) = 2L$ . For each  $c$  ( $0 < c < L$ ), let  $R_c$  be the  $R$ -submanifold passing through a point  $(x_0, n(x_0), c)$ . In the same way as in 2),  $R_c$  is a double covering manifold of  $R_0$  and further of  $R_1$ . We get thus the conclusion that  $M$  is of type V or VI.

4) The case where three (or more)  $R$ -submanifolds do not admit normal vector field. Let  $R_0, R_1$ , and  $R_2$  be such ones. As shown in 3) we have  $\rho(R_0, R_1) > 0$ , and  $\rho(R_0) = 2\rho(R_0, R_1)$ . Similarly,  $\rho(R_0) = 2\rho(R_0, R_2)$ . Therefore,

$\rho(R_0, R_1) = \rho(R_0, R_2)$ . By Lemmas 3.2 and 4.3, we get  $R_1 = R_2$ . This is a contradiction. So, such a case does not occur. This completes the proof of our theorem.

REMARK 1. 1) *The converse of Theorem 1 holds also true.*

2) *There exist RS-manifolds from type I to VI.*

3) *In  $M$ , if an  $R$ -submanifold  $R$  is compact,  $\rho(R)$  is positive. Then the  $R$ -submanifolds are all compact (by Theorem 1).*

**5. Fundamental groups and structures.** In  $M$ , suppose that the  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field  $\{v(x) | x \in M\}$  of unit tangent vectors. Let  $R$  be an  $R$ -submanifold of  $M$ . Then we have

LEMMA 5.1. *The map*

$$p: R \times E \rightarrow M \quad \text{defined by} \quad p(y, t) = (y, v(y), t)$$

*where  $y \in R$  becomes a covering map. And  $R \times E$  is regarded as a covering manifold of  $M$ .*

Such a covering manifold is called the *natural covering manifold* of  $M$ .

PROOF. Put  $N(M) = R \times E$ . First we prove that the map  $p$  is an onto-map. Take any  $x_0 \in M$ . Let  $y_0$  be a point of  $R \cap S(x_0)$  ( $\neq 0$  by Lemma 3.5). There exists  $t_0$  such that  $x_0 = (y_0, v(y_0), t_0)$ . Let  $\tilde{x}_0$  denote a point  $(y_0, t_0)$  of  $N(M)$ . Then  $p(x_0) = x_0$ . So our assertion is true.

Next, we prove that  $p$  is locally an isometric homeomorphism. Take any  $\tilde{x}_0 \equiv (y_0, t_0) \in N(M)$  and put  $x_0 = p(\tilde{x}_0)$ . Let  $U(x_0)$  be a reduced coordinate neighborhood of  $x_0$ . It is represented by the product  $U_R(x_0) \times g(t_1, t_2)$  where  $U_R(x_0)$  is an  $R$ -neighborhood of  $x_0$  and  $g(t_1, t_2)$  is a geodesic arc  $(y_0, v(y_0), t)$  ( $t_1 < t < t_2$ ) not containing its end-points. Of course,  $t_1 < t_0 < t_2$ . Let  $U_R(y_0)$  denote the  $R$ -neighborhood of  $y_0$ , isometrically homeomorphic to  $U_R(x_0)$  under the  $R$ -map with respect to  $g(x_0, -v(x_0), t_0)$ . And further, let  $I(t_1, t_2)$  denote the subspace  $\{t | t_1 < t < t_2\}$  of  $E$ . Accordingly a product  $U_R(y_0) \times I(t_1, t_2)$  is regarded as a neighborhood of  $\tilde{x}_0$  in  $N(M)$ . We denote such a neighborhood in  $N(M)$  by  $U(\tilde{x}_0)$ . It is now obvious that  $U(\tilde{x}_0)$  is isometrically homeomorphic to  $U(x_0)$  under the map  $p$ . So,  $p$  is locally an isometric homeomorphism.

Again take any  $x_0 \in M$ . We put  $p^{-1}(x_0) = \{\tilde{x}_\lambda | \lambda \in J\}$  where  $J$  is a set of indices and at most countable by Lemma 3.5. Let  $U(x_0)$  be a reduced coordinate neighborhood of  $x_0$ . As we have seen above, at each  $\tilde{x}_\lambda$  there exists a neighborhood  $U(\tilde{x}_\lambda)$  isometrically homeomorphic to  $U(x_0)$  under  $p$ .

Then,  $U(\tilde{x}_\mu) \cap U(\tilde{x}_\nu) = 0$  for  $\tilde{x}_\mu, \tilde{x}_\nu \in p^{-1}(x_0)$  ( $\tilde{x}_\mu \neq \tilde{x}_\nu$ ). To prove this, suppose that it does not hold good. There exists a curve  $\alpha$  contained in  $U(\tilde{x}_\mu) \cup U(\tilde{x}_\nu)$ , joining  $\tilde{x}_\mu$  to  $\tilde{x}_\nu$ . Then, the curve  $p(\alpha)$  becomes a closed curve with endpoint  $x_0$ , and we can easily find a contradiction. So, our assertion holds good. This completes the proof of our lemma.

Given any  $x_0 \in M$ , take a point  $x_1 \in I(x_0)$  and put  $x_1 = (x_0, n_0, c)$  where  $n_0$  is a normal vector and  $c$  is a real number. Let  $\alpha_1$  be a curve in  $R(x_0)$  joining  $x_0$  to  $x_1$ . Let  $\alpha_2$  denote a geodesic arc  $g(x_0, n_0, c)$ . The product curve  $\alpha_1 \cdot \alpha_2^{-1}$  is called an *RS-curve* with endpoint  $x_0$ , and according as  $c \neq 0$  or  $= 0$ , is called *proper* or *improper*.

In  $M$  suppose that the  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field of unit tangent vectors. Let  $R$  be an  $R$ -submanifold of  $M$ . Then we have

LEMMA 5.2. 1) *A closed curve  $\alpha$  with endpoint  $x_0 \in M$  is homotopic to an RS-curve leaving  $x_0$  fixed. Moreover, a proper RS-curve is not homotopic to an improper RS-curve.* 2) *If  $\rho(R) < \infty$ , the fundamental group  $\pi_1(M)$  has an infinite cyclic subgroup. If  $\rho(R) = 0$  especially,  $\pi_1(M)$  is not infinite cyclic.*

PROOF. First put  $R_0 = R(x_0)$ . By Lemma 5.1, we regard  $R_0 \times E$  as the natural covering manifold of  $M$ . Let  $p$  be the covering map. Here we suppose that  $p(x, 0) = x$  for all points  $(x, 0)$  of the submanifold of  $R_0 \times E$  defined by  $t = 0$ . This is possible. Let  $\alpha_N$  be the curve in  $R_0 \times E$  with initial point  $(x_0, 0)$  such that  $p(\alpha_N) = \alpha$ . For convenience, let us represent  $\alpha_N$  by a parametrized curve  $(x(\tau), t(\tau))$  ( $0 \leq \tau \leq 1$ ). Of course,  $(x(0), t(0)) = (x_0, 0)$ . We denote a curve  $(x(\tau), 0)$  ( $0 \leq \tau \leq 1$ ) by  $\alpha_{1N}$  and a curve  $(x(1), t(\tau))$  ( $0 \leq \tau \leq 1$ ) by  $\alpha_{2N}$ . Then,  $\alpha_N$  is homotopic to the product curve  $\alpha_{1N} \cdot \alpha_{2N}$  leaving the endpoints fixed. Hence,  $\alpha$  is homotopic to the curve  $p(\alpha_{1N} \cdot \alpha_{2N})$  leaving  $x_0$  fixed. The curve  $p(\alpha_{1N} \cdot \alpha_{2N})$  being an *RS-curve* with endpoint  $x_0$ , the former part of 1) has been proved.

Suppose that the above curve  $\alpha$  is a proper *RS-curve*. The curve  $\alpha_N$  coincides with the product curve  $\alpha_{1N} \cdot \alpha_{2N}$  where  $t(1) \neq 0$ . On the other hand, let  $\alpha'$  be an improper *RS-curve* with endpoint  $x_0$ . Let  $\alpha'_N$  be the curve in  $R_0 \times E$  with initial point  $(x_0, 0)$  such that  $p(\alpha'_N) = \alpha'$ . As  $\alpha' \subset R_0$ ,  $\alpha'_N$  is represented by  $(\alpha', 0)$ . Then the terminal points of  $\alpha_N, \alpha'_N$  are not the same point. This implies that  $\alpha$  is not homotopic to  $\alpha'$ . From this and Lemma 4.2, the latter part of 1) is easily proved.

Next we prove 2). In  $R_0 = R(x_0)$ , let us suppose that  $\rho(R_0) < \infty$  and use the previous notations. Then there exists a proper *RS-curve*  $\beta$  of class  $D^1$  with endpoint  $x_0$ .  $\beta$  is represented by the product curve  $\beta_1 \cdot \beta_2^{-1}$  where  $\beta_1,$

$\subset R_0$  and  $\beta_2 \subset S(x_0)$ .  $\beta$  is not homotopic to zero. This is easily seen if we construct an inverse image of  $\beta$  by the map  $p$ . (Of course this is valid for any proper  $RS$ -curve.) We displace  $\beta_2$  parallelly along  $\beta_1$  and then denote the locus of terminal point of  $\beta_2$  by  $\beta'_1$ . Let  $g(x_0, n(x_0), c)$  ( $c > 0$ ) denote  $\beta_2$ . The terminal point of  $\beta'_1$  is expressed by  $(x_0, n(x_0), 2c)$ . Denote the geodesic arc  $g(x_0, n(x_0), 2c)$  by  $\beta'_2$ . Then, a closed curve  $\beta^2 (= \beta \cdot \beta)$  becomes homotopic to a proper  $RS$ -curve  $\beta_1 \cdot \beta'_1 \cdot \beta'_2^{-1}$  leaving their endpoints  $x_0$  fixed. In fact, let  $\beta_N, \beta'_N$  be the curves in  $R_0 \times E$  with the same initial point  $(x_0, 0)$  such that  $p(\beta_N) = \beta^2$  and  $p(\beta'_N) = \beta_1 \cdot \beta'_1 \cdot \beta'_2^{-1}$ . We can see that, the terminal points are the same point and they are homotopic leaving the endpoints fixed. From this our assertion is clear. I. e.,  $\beta^2$  is homotopic to a proper  $RS$ -curve with endpoint  $x_0$ . This is also valid for all of  $\beta^\lambda$  ( $\lambda = 1, 2, \dots$ ), and they are not homotopic to zero as already mentioned. From this, the former part of 2) is proved. It is now easy to prove the latter part of 2).

In  $M$  we have

LEMMA 5.3. *There exists at least one  $R$ -submanifold which admits normal vector field.*

PROOF. Suppose that all the  $R$ -submanifolds do not admit normal vector field. Take any two  $R_0, R_1$  of them. At  $x_0 \in R_1$  we can find  $c \neq 0$  such that  $(x_0, n(x_0), c) \in R_1$ . Now let  $R'$  denote the  $R$ -submanifold passing through  $x' \equiv (x_0, n(x_0), c/2)$ . By the assumption, a normal vector  $n(x')$  is parallel to  $-n(x')$  along a suitable curve in  $R'$ . Hence by Lemma 3.2 we can see that the two points  $x_0$  and  $(x_0, n(x_0), c)$  are contained in the same  $R$ -submanifold. That is,  $R_0$  coincides with  $R_1$ . This implies that  $M$  consists of an  $R$ -submanifold only, because  $R_0, R_1$  are anyones. It contradicts with Lemma 3.5. So our lemma is true.

In  $M$ , suppose that the  $S$ -field is not generated from a parallel field of unit tangent vectors, i. e., there is not such a parallel field which generates the  $S$ -field. Let  $T(M)$  be the tangent bundle of  $M$ , so that each point of  $T(M)$  is represented by a pair  $(x, v)$  of a point  $x \in M$  and a tangent vector  $v$  at  $x$ . Let  $\pi: T(M) \rightarrow M$  be the projection. We take the subspace  $H(M)$  of  $T(M)$  which consists of points  $(x, \pm n(x))$  for all  $x \in M$ .  $H(M)$  is an  $n$ -submanifold, and by the assumption connected. Put  $h = \pi|_{H(M)}$ . Then  $H(M)$  is regarded as a double covering manifold of  $M$  under the Riemannian metric naturally induced from  $M$  by  $h$ . The map  $h$  is the covering map. We call this covering manifold  $H(M)$  the holonomy covering manifold of  $M$ . This has the following properties:  $H(M)$  admits a parallel

field of unit tangent vectors which is induced from the  $S$ -field of  $M$  by  $h$ . Accordingly,  $H(M)$  is of course an  $RS$ -manifold of dimension  $n$ . Take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$  of  $M$  admitting normal vector field (Lemma 5.3). Let  $x_0$  be any point of  $R_0$ . Then, in  $H(M)$  the  $R$ -submanifold passing through  $(x_0, n(x_0))$  is distinct from the one passing through  $(x_0, -n(x_0))$ . Each of them is isometrically homeomorphic to  $R_0$  under  $h$ . Next, take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_1$  of  $M$  not admitting normal vector field (Lemma 4.1). Let  $x_1$  be any point of  $R_1$ . Then the  $R$ -submanifold  $R_{1H}$  of  $H(M)$  passing through  $(x_1, n(x_1))$  passes through  $(x_1, -n(x_1))$  and is a double covering manifold of  $R_1$  where  $h|_{R_{1H}}$  is the covering map.

**THEOREM 2.** *In  $M$  if the fundamental group  $\pi_1(M)$  is finite,  $M$  is of type I or IV.*

**PROOF.** 1) The case where the  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field of unit tangent vectors. By Lemma 5.2,  $\rho(R) = \infty$  where  $R$  is any  $R$ -submanifold of  $M$ . Accordingly by Theorem 1,  $M$  is of type I.

2) The other case. By Lemma 4.1, there exists an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$  not admitting normal vector field. Let  $H(M)$  be the holonomy covering manifold of  $M$ . Let  $h$  be the covering map. Let  $R_{0H}$  be the  $R$ -submanifold of  $H(M)$  such that  $h(R_{0H}) = R_0$ . In  $H(M)$ , the fundamental group is also finite. And further,  $H(M)$  is an  $RS$ -manifold which satisfies the above case 1). So,  $H(M)$  is of type I. That is,  $H(M)$  is represented by the metric product  $R_{0H} \times F$ . We take any  $x_0 \in R_0$ . Let  $x_{0H}$  be a point of  $R_{0H}$  such that  $p(x_{0H}) = x_0$ . Let  $S(x_{0H})$  denote the  $S$ -submanifold of  $H(M)$  passing through  $x_{0H}$ . We have  $h(S(x_{0H})) = S(x_0)$ . Hence  $S(x_0)$  is non-closed and  $S(x_0) \cap R_0$  consists of the point  $x_0$  only. So,  $\rho(R_0) = \infty$ . By Lemma 4.3,  $\rho(R) > 0$  for any  $R$ -submanifold  $R$ . Accordingly by Theorem 1,  $M$  must be of type IV. This completes the proof of our theorem.

**REMARK 2.** 1) *In Theorem 2, types I, IV are characterized by the condition that  $\pi_1(R)$ , where  $R$  is an  $R$ -submanifold, is finite. If the order of  $\pi_1(M)$  is odd,  $M$  is of type I and not of type IV.*

2) *There exist  $RS$ -manifolds of type I and ones of type IV, whose fundamental groups are all finite.*

**THEOREM 3.** *In  $M$  if the fundamental group  $\pi_1(M)$  is infinite cyclic,  $M$  is one of types I—IV.*

**PROOF.** 1) The case where the  $S$ -field is generated from a parallel field of unit tangent vectors. Take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R$  of  $M$ . By Lemma 5.2,  $\rho(R) > 0$ . Accordingly by Theorem 1,  $M$  is of one of types I—III.

2) The other case. By Lemma 4.1, there exists an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$

not admitting normal vector field. Take  $x_0 \in R_0$ . Let  $H(M)$  be the holonomy covering manifold of  $M$ . Let  $h$  be the covering map. Let  $R_{0H}$  be the  $R$ -submanifold of  $H(M)$  such that  $h(R_{0H}) = R_0$ . In  $H(M)$  the fundamental group is infinite cyclic too. Accordingly by the above 1),  $H(M)$  is of one of types I—III.

If  $H(M)$  is of type I,  $M$  of type IV. This is verified by the same way as in Theorem 2. Note here that  $\pi_1(R_0)$  is infinite cyclic.

If  $H(M)$  is of type II or III,  $R_{0H}$  must be simply-connected by Lemma 5.2. Hence  $\pi_1(R_0)$  is cyclic of order 2. Accordingly, we get the conclusion that  $\pi_1(M)$  contains a subgroup which is cyclic of order 2. This obviously contradicts with the assumption that  $\pi_1(M)$  is infinite cyclic. So,  $H(M)$  is not of type II or III. This completes the proof of our theorem.

REMARK 3. 1) *In Theorem 3, type I is characterized by the following condition a) and type IV by the following condition b):*

a)  $\pi_1(R)$ , where  $R$  is an  $R$ -submanifold, is infinite cyclic.

b)  $\pi_1(R)$ , where  $R$  is the  $R$ -submanifold not admitting normal vector field, is infinite cyclic

And, types II, III are characterized by the condition that an  $R$ -submanifold is simply-connected.

2) *There exist  $RS$ -manifolds from type I to IV, whose fundamental groups all are infinite cyclic*

**6. Closedness of  $S$ -geodesics and structures.** At  $x_0 \in M$ , let  $T_R(x_0)$  denote the Euclidean vector  $(n - 1)$ -space tangent to  $R(x_0)$  at  $x_0$ . We denote the length of an  $S$ -geodesic  $S$  by  $|S|$ . So,  $S$  is closed or non-closed according as  $|S| < \infty$  or  $= \infty$ . Again at  $x_0 \in M$  take a subset  $\{x | x \in R(x_0), d_R(x, x_0) < c\}$  where  $c$  is a positive constant. If the subset forms an  $R$ -neighborhood of  $x_0$ , we denote the  $R$ -neighborhood by  $U_R(x_0; c)$ . Especially if  $U_R(x_0; c)$  can be covered by a normal coordinate system in  $R(x_0)$  with center  $x_0$ , we call it a *normal  $R$ -neighborhood* of  $x_0$ . Then let  $N_R(x_0; c)$  denote the  $R$ -neighborhood  $U_R(x_0; c)$ . The *exponential map* at  $x_0$  is defined to be the map

$$\varphi : T_R(x_0) \rightarrow R(x_0)$$

such that  $\varphi(v) = x_0$  for the zero vector  $v \in T_R(x_0)$  and  $\varphi(v) = (x_0, v/|v|, |v|)$  for any non-zero vector  $v \in T_R(x_0)$  where  $|v|$  is the length of  $v$ . Let  $e(x_0)$  denote the greatest lower bound of  $\{d_R(x_0, x) | x \in I(x_0) - x_0\}$  if  $I(x_0) - x_0$  is non-empty. When  $I(x_0) - x_0$  is empty, put  $e(x_0) = +\infty$ .

In  $M$  suppose that there exists  $x_0 \in M$  such that  $S(x_0)$  is non-closed and  $x_0$  is not a limit point of  $I(x_0)$  relative to  $R(x_0)$ . Then  $e(x_0) > 0$ . Take an  $R$ -neighborhood  $U_R(x_0; a)$  where  $0 < a < e(x_0)/2$ . Let  $\{n(x) | x \in U_R(x_0; a)\}$  be a normal vector field. Then we have

LEMMA 6.1. *The map*

$$f: U_R(x_0; a) \times E \rightarrow M \quad \text{defined by} \quad f(x, t) = (x, n(x), t)$$

*is an isometric into-homeomorphism.*

Such a map  $f$  is called a *cylinder map* at  $x_0$  and such an  $R$ -neighborhood  $U_R(x_0; a)$  is called *proper*.

PROOF. First, suppose  $(x_1, n(x_1), t_0) = (x_2, n(x_2), t_0)$  for  $x_1, x_2 \in U_R(x_0; a)$  ( $x_1 \neq x_2$ ). Then we get  $x_1 \neq x_0$  and  $x_2 = (x_1, n(x_1), 2t_0)$ . Take a minimizing geodesic  $[x_1, x_0]$  in  $R(x_0)$ . Let  $[x_2, x'_0]$  be the geodesic arc parallel to  $[x_1, x_0]$  along an arc  $g(x_1, n(x_1), 2t_0)$ . We have  $[x_2, x'_0] \subset R(x_0)$  and  $x'_0 \in S(x_0)$  by Lemma 3.4. That is,  $x'_0 \in I(x_0)$ .  $S(x_0)$  being however non-closed, it follows that  $x_0 \neq x'_0$ . By Lemma 3.4,  $d_R(x_2, x'_0) \leq d_R(x_1, x_0)$ . Hence,

$$d_R(x_1, x'_0) \leq d_R(x_1, x_2) + d_R(x_2, x'_0) < 2a < e(x_1).$$

This is contrary to the definition of  $e(x_0)$ . Next, suppose  $(x_1, n(x_1), t_1) = (x_2, n(x_2), t_2)$  for  $x_1, x_2 \in U_R(x_0; a)$  ( $x_1 \neq x_2$ ). We have  $x_2 = (x_1, n(x_1), t')$  for  $t' = t_1 + \varepsilon t_2$  ( $\varepsilon = +1$  or  $-1$ ). By the same way, we get again the same contradiction. Accordingly, by Lemma 3.1 our lemma is proved.

THEOREM 4. *In  $M$  suppose that all  $S$ -geodesics are non-closed. If a point  $x_0 \in M$  is a limit point of  $I(x_0)$  relative to  $R(x_0)$ , each point  $x \in M$  is also a limit point of  $I(x)$  relative to  $R(x)$  and then  $M$  is of non-fibred type III, non-fibred type VI, or clustered type. If a point  $x_0 \in M$  is not a limit point of  $I(x_0)$  relative to  $R(x_0)$ , then  $M$  is of fibred type.*

PROOF. We first prove that, if a point  $x_0 \in M$  is not a limit point of  $I(x_0)$  relative to  $R(x_0)$ , each  $x \in M$  is not a limit point of  $I(x)$  relative to  $R(x)$ .

Let  $R^0$  be the maximal subset of  $R(x_0)$ , in which each  $x$  is not a limit point of  $I(x)$  relative to  $R(x)$  ( $= R(x_0)$ ). Of course  $R^0 \ni x_0$ . By Lemma 6.1, at any  $x \in R^0$  there exists a proper  $R$ -neighborhood  $U_R$ . Then  $U_R \subset R^0$ . Hence,  $R^0$  is open in  $R(x_0)$ . Next let us verify that  $R^0$  is closed in  $R(x_0)$ . Let  $\bar{R}^0$  denote the closure of  $R^0$  relative to  $R(x_0)$ . Suppose  $\bar{R}^0 \neq R^0$ . At any  $y_1 \in \bar{R}^0 - R^0$  we take a normal  $R$ -neighborhood  $N_R(y_1; c)$ . A set  $S(y_1) \cap N_R(y_1; c/2)$  is infinite, and countable by Lemma 3.5. We denote the set by  $\{y_\lambda | \lambda = 1, 2, \dots\}$ . Let  $\{n(y) | y \in N_R(y_1; c)\}$  be a normal vector field. For suitable  $t$ , each  $y_\lambda$  is represented by  $(y_1, n(y_1), t_\lambda)$ . Take a point  $z_1 \in R^0 \cap N_R(y_1; c/2)$ . Let  $[y_1, z_1]$  denote the geodesic arc in  $N_R(y_1; c/2)$ . And, displace it parallelly along  $S(y_1)$ . Then, at each  $y_\lambda$  a geodesic arc  $[y_\lambda, z_\lambda]$  is obtained. It follows that  $[y_\lambda, z_\lambda] \subset R(y_1)$ . By Lemma 3.4,  $z_\lambda \in S(z_1)$  and  $d_R(y_\lambda, z_\lambda) \leq d_R(y_1, z_1)$ . Hence,

$$d_R(y_1, z_\lambda) \leq d_R(y_1, y_\lambda) + d_R(y_\lambda, z_\lambda) < c/2 + c/2 = c.$$

So,  $z_\lambda \in N_R(y_1; c)$ .  $S(z_1)$  being however non-closed,  $z_\lambda (\lambda = 1, 2, \dots)$  are distinct from one another. Accordingly,  $N_R(y_1; c)$  contains an infinite set  $\{z_\lambda | \lambda = 1, 2, \dots\}$ . On the other hand, the closure of  $N_R(y_1; c)$  in  $R(x_0)$  is compact. Consequent for any small  $\delta > 0$  we can find  $z_\mu, z_\nu \in \{z_\lambda | \lambda = 1, 2, \dots\}$  such that  $d_R(z_\mu, z_\nu) < \delta$ . This is contrary to the existence of a cylinder map at  $z_1 \in R^0$ . So,  $\bar{R}^0 = R^0$ . That is,  $R^0$  is closed in  $R(x)$ . Since  $R^0$  is however open in  $R(x_0)$ , it follows that  $R^0 = R(x_0)$ . Therefore by Lemmas 3.1 and 3.5 our assertion is proved.

1) The case where there exists  $x_0 \in M$ , which is a limit point of  $I(x_0)$  relative to  $R(x_0)$ . By the above assertion each point  $x$  of  $M$  is a limit point of  $I(x)$  relative to  $R(x)$ . Hence if  $\rho(R_0) > 0$ ,  $M$  is of non-fibred, type III or VI by Theorem 1. If  $\rho(R_0) = 0$ ,  $M$  is of clustered type by Lemma 4.3.

2) The other case. We take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R_0$ . If  $x, y \in R_0$  belong to the same  $S$ -geodesic, we say that they are equivalent to each other. By this equivalence relation, we construct the quotient space of  $R_0$  and denote it by  $B$ . Then by Lemma 6.1 the space  $B$  is regarded as a connected complete Riemannian  $(n-1)$ -manifold of class  $C^1$  under the Riemannian metric naturally induced from  $R_0$ . Next for any  $y \in M$ , let  $[y]$  denote the point of  $B$  representing  $R_0 \cap S(y)$ . Then the map  $\pi: M \rightarrow B$ , defined by  $\pi(y) = [y]$ , is an onto-map by Lemma 3.5. Thus it is now obvious that  $M$  is of fibred type. Here the base space is  $B$  and the projection is  $\pi$  and so on. This completes the proof of our theorem.

REMARK 4. 1) *If  $M$  is of clustered type, the  $S$ -geodesics are all non-closed.*

2) *There exist  $RS$ -manifolds of the respective types enumerated in Theorem 4, whose  $S$ -geodesics are all non-closed. In this case, an  $RS$ -manifold of fibred type is further of type I, III, IV, or VI, or non-simple type. (See Appendix)*

In  $M$  suppose that an  $S$ -submanifold  $S_0$  is closed. We take a point  $x_0 \in S_0$ . Then  $e(x_0) > 0$ , because  $S_0$  is closed. Let us put  $L = |S_0|$ . Now, take an  $R$ -neighborhood  $U_R(x_0; a)$  where  $0 < a < e(x_0)/2$ . And if  $\{n(x) | x \in U_R(x_0; a)\}$  is a normal vector field, by the similar way as in Lemma 6.1 we can verify

LEMMA 6.2. *The map*

$$f: U_R(x_0; a) \times [L] \rightarrow M \quad \text{defined by} \quad f(x, t) = (x, n(x), t)$$

*is an isometric into-homeomorphism provided that  $U_R(x_0; a)$  is doubly treated in  $M$  as the images by  $f$  at  $t = 0, L$ .*

Such a map is also called a *cylinder map* at  $x_0$  and such an  $R$ -neighborhood  $U_R(x_0; a)$  is called *proper*. Here we see that the map



$a$ ) is connected and open in  $R$ . Moreover we see that  $x_0$  belongs to the closure  $\bar{R}^0$  of  $R^0$  relative to  $R$ . So,  $\bar{R}^0 = R$ .

2) Take again any  $y_1 \in R^0$ . Suppose that every  $R$ -neighborhood of  $y_1$  is not contained in  $R^0$ . Then at a suitable  $x_1 \in R - R^0$ , we can find a normal  $R$ -neighborhood  $N_R(x_1; b)$  such that  $y_1 \in N_R(x_1; b)$ . By 1),  $R^0 \cap N_R(x_1; b)$  ( $\ni y_1$ ) is a connected open set in  $R$ . This contradicts with our assumption. Accordingly, there exists an  $R$ -neighborhood of  $y_1$ , contained in  $R^0$ . This shows that  $R^0$  is open in  $R$ .

3) Let  $z_1, z_2$  be any points of  $R^0$ . Take a curve  $\alpha$  in  $R$  joining  $z_1$  to  $z_2$ . By 1) and 2), if we cover  $\alpha$  by a finite number of suitable normal  $R$ -neighborhoods, we can see that  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  are joined by a curve in  $R^0$ . So,  $R^0$  is connected.

By Lemma 3.5,  $M^0$  is also regarded as the union set of all  $S$ -geodesics, each of which passes through a point of  $R^0$ . Accordingly 1) – 3) above show that  $M^0$  is a connected open submanifold of  $M$  whose closure is  $M$  by Lemmas 3.1 and 3.5.

Next, take again any  $x_0 \in R - R^0$ . Let  $N_R(x_0; a)$  be a normal  $R$ -neighborhood. Then, a point  $y_0 \in R^0 \cap N_R(x_0; a)$  is a limit point of  $I(y_0)$  relative to  $R$ . In fact, let  $u_j \in T_R(x_0)$  be the inverse image of  $y_0$  by the exponential map at  $x_0$ . The vector  $u_j$  is not singular at  $x_0$ . Hence, if we put  $Y = \{y \mid y \in I(y_0), d_R(x_0, y) = |u_j|\}$  where  $|u_j|$  is the length of  $u_j$ ,  $Y$  is an infinite set. Take a normal  $R$ -neighborhood  $N_R(y_0; c)$ . For any  $\delta$  ( $0 < \delta < c$ ), we can find  $y_\mu, y_\nu \in Y$  ( $y_\mu \neq y_\nu$ ) such that  $d_R(y_\mu, y_\nu) < \delta$ . Here displace a minimizing geodesic  $[y_\mu, y_\nu]$  parallelly along  $S(y_0)$ . At  $y_0$  we get a geodesic arc  $[y_0, y'_0] \subset N_R(y_0; c)$ . By Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4, it follows that  $y'_0 \in I(y_0)$ ,  $d_R(y_0, y'_0) < \delta$ , and  $y_0 \neq y'_0$ . Hence our assertion is easily seen. This fact shows that each  $y$  of  $R^0$  is a limit point of  $I(y)$  relative to  $R$ . For, if we express a geodesic arc  $[x, y]$  by  $g(x_0, u, d)$ , the vector  $u$  is not singular. From this and the above fact, it is easily verified.

By Lemmas 3.1 and 3.5, we can now see that each  $x \in M^0$  is a limit point of  $I(x)$  relative to  $R(x)$ . This is not valid for any  $x \notin M^0$ ,  $S(x_0)$  being closed.

Accordingly, if  $\rho(R) > 0$ ,  $M$  is of non-fibred type III or non-fibred type VI by Theorem 1. If  $\rho(R) = 0$ ,  $M$  is of almost clustered type with kernel  $M^0$  by Lemma 4.3. This completes the proof of our theorem.

REMARK 5. 1) *In Theorem 5, almost clustered type is not clustered type.*

2) *There exist RS-manifolds of the respective types enumerated in Theorem 5 each of which has both closed S-geodesic and non-closed one (see Appendix).*

**THEOREM 6.** *In  $M$  suppose that all the  $S$ -geodesics are closed. Then among them there exist  $S$ -geodesics with the longest length. In all of such ones let  $M^0$  be the subspace of  $M$  which is their union set. Then  $M^0$  is a connected open submanifold of  $M$  whose closure is  $M$ , and a maximal subspace which becomes a fibre bundle where each fibre is an  $S$ -geodesic. In other words,  $M$  is of almost fibred type with kernel  $M^0$ .*

**PROOF.** 1) First, take an  $R$ -submanifold  $R$ . At  $x_0 \in R$  let  $N_R(x_0; a)$  be a proper normal  $R$ -neighborhood. Let  $\{n(x) | x \in N_R(x_0; a)\}$  be a normal vector field. Here, put  $L_0 = |S(x_0)|$ . Let  $T$  be the congruent transformation in  $T_R(x_0)$  induced from a cylinder map at  $x_0$ . Since all the  $S$ -geodesics are closed, we can find the least positive integer  $m$  such that  $T^m$  becomes the identity transformation. And there exists a unit vector  $u_0 \in T_R(x_0)$  such that the vectors

$$u_0, Tu_0, \dots, T^{m-1}u_0,$$

are distinct from one another where  $T^m u = u$ . If  $y \in N_R(x_0; a)$  is an interior point of a geodesic arc  $g(x, u_0, a)$ , we have  $|S(y)| = mL_0$  because  $N_R(x_0; a)$  is proper. Here we put  $L = mL$ . Take any  $z \in R$ . Let  $u$  be the vector at  $x_0$  tangent to a geodesic arc  $[x, z]$ . Of course,  $T^m u = u$ . Hence,  $L$  is an integral multiple of  $|S(z)|$  by Lemma 3.4. So  $|S(z)| \leq L$ . Consequently, the above  $S(y)$  is an  $S$ -geodesic with the longest length.

2) We put  $R^0 = \{x \in R, |S(x)| = L\}$ . At  $y_0 \in R^0$ , let  $N_R(y_0; b)$  be a proper normal  $R$ -neighborhood. Let  $\{n(y) | y \in N_R(y_0; b)\}$  be a normal vector field. Define the cylinder map  $f: N_R(y_0; b) \times [L] \rightarrow M$  by  $f(y, t) = (y, n(y), t)$ . Then for all  $y \in N_R(y_0; b)$ , we have  $f(y, 0) = f(y, L)$ . Hence  $|S(y)| = L$ , and  $N_R(y_0; b) \subset R^0$ . Accordingly,  $R^0$  is open in  $R$ .

Next, provided that  $R - R^0 \neq \emptyset$ , suppose that at  $z_0 \in R - R^0$  there exists a normal  $R$ -neighborhood  $N_R(z_0; c)$  which is contained in  $R - R^0$ . Hence,  $|S(z)| < L$  for all  $z \in N_R(z_0; c)$ . And by Lemmas 3.4 and 6.2,  $|S(x)| < L$  for all  $x \in R$ . This contradicts with 1). So, it follows that relative to  $R$  the closure of  $R^0$  is  $R$ .

On the other hand,  $M^0$  is also regarded as the union set of all  $S$ -geodesics whose lengths are all  $L$ . Accordingly, the above facts show that  $M^0$  is an open submanifold of  $M$ , whose closure is  $M$  by Lemmas 3.1 and 3.5.

3) Let us prove that  $M^0$  is connected. If  $R = R^0$ , we have  $M = M^0$  and  $M^0$  is obviously connected. So, suppose  $R \neq R^0$ . Take any  $z_0 \in R - R^0$  and a proper normal  $R$ -neighborhood  $N_R(z_0; c)$ . In  $N_R(z_0; c)$  we put  $W_R = N_R(z_0; c) \cap R^0$ . In  $W_R$  let  $W$  denote the union set of  $S(y)$  for all  $y \in W_R$ . On the other hand, let  $T_0$  be the congruent transformation in  $T_R(z_0)$  induced

from a cylinder map at  $z_0$ . As mentioned in 1), there exists the least positive integer  $h$  such that  $T_0^h$  becomes the identity transformation. Then,  $h \geq 2$  and  $L = h|S(z_0)|$ . Here, let us call a vector  $u \in T_R(z_0)$  singular at  $z_0$  if  $T_0^\mu u = u$  for an integer  $\mu (0 < \mu < h)$ . Of course, the zero vector of  $T_R(z_0)$  is singular. Take a suitable frame  $(e_a)$  in  $T_R(z_0)$ , relative to which  $T_0$  is represented by a matrix (6.1). The following three cases are considered:

a) The case where  $r_1 + r_2 = n - 1, r_2 = 1$ . Then,  $h = 2$ . All of singular vectors at  $z_0$  form an  $(n - 2)$  vector-subspace  $Z$ . If we map  $Z$  by the exponential map at  $z_0$ , we get in  $N_R(z_0; c)$  an  $(n - 2)$ -surface geodesic at  $z_0$ . So,  $W_R$  is not connected. However,  $W$  is connected. For, if  $u \in T_R(z)$  is not singular, we have  $T_0 u = -u$ . From this it is obvious.

b) The case where  $r_1 + r_2 = n - 1, r_2 \geq 2$ . Then,  $h = 2$  too. All of singular vectors at  $z_0$  form a vector subspace of dimension  $\leq n - 3$ . This implies that  $W_R$  is connected. So,  $W$  is connected.

c) The case where  $r_1 + r_2 < n - 1$ . Then  $h > 2$ , and for a suitable integer  $l$ ,

$$h\theta_1 = \dots = h\theta_k = 2\pi l.$$

Now we take a singular vector

$$u = u_1 e_1 + \dots + u_{n-1} e_{n-1}.$$

From its components  $u_a$ , let us construct the following  $k + 1$  combinations:

$$(u_{r_1+1}, \dots, u_{r_1+r_2}), (u_{r_1+r_2+1}, u_{r_1+r_2+2}), (u_{r_1+r_2+3}, u_{r_1+r_2+4}), \\ \dots, (u_{r_1+r_2+2k-1}, u_{r_1+r_2+2k}).$$

Then, there exists at least one combination, all of whose elements are zero. So, we can see that all of singular vectors form the union set of a finite number of vector subspaces in  $T_R(x_0)$ . If  $r_2 \neq 1$ , all the singular vectors form the union set of some vector subspaces of respective dimensions  $\leq n - 3$ . This implies that  $W_R$  is connected. So,  $W$  is also connected. In the case  $r_2 = 1$  too, it follows that  $W$  is connected even if  $W_R$  is not connected.

Consequently, it has been proved that  $W$  is connected. From this we can see that  $M^0$  is connected. For, take any  $y_1, y_2 \in R^0$  and a curve in  $R$  joining  $y_1$  to  $y_2$ . Cover the curve by a finite number of proper normal  $R$ -neighborhoods  $N_\lambda (\lambda = 1, 2, \dots)$ . Let  $W_\lambda$  denote the union set of  $S(y)$  for all  $y \in N_\lambda \cap R^0$ . Then,  $W_\lambda$  are all connected. By 2), the union set of all  $W_\lambda$  is also connected. This implies that  $y_1, y_2$  are joined by a curve in  $M^0$ . Therefore by Lemma 3.5,  $M^0$  is connected.

4) From the above results, we see that  $M$  is of almost fibred type with kernel  $M^0$ . In fact, at any  $y_0 \in R^0$  let  $N_R(y_0; b)$  be proper. By 2), we have  $N_R(y_0; b) \subset R^0$ . If we apply the cylinder map to  $N_R(y_0; b) \times [L]$ , the image is wholly contained in  $M^0$ . We can thus verify that  $M^0$  is a fibre bundle

where each fibre is an  $S$ -geodesic (cf. Proof of Theorem 4). It is easy to see that, there is no subspace,  $\supset M^0, \neq M^0$ , which becomes such a fibre bundle. So our assertion is true. This completes the proof of our theorem.

REMARK 6. 1) *If  $M$  is of almost fibred type which is not fibred type, the  $S$ -geodesics are all closed (by Theorems 4, 5).*

2) *There exist  $RS$ -manifolds of almost fibred type which is not fibred type. Such an  $RS$ -manifold is further of type III or VI, or non-simple type. There exist  $RS$ -manifolds of fibred type whose  $S$ -geodesics are all closed. Such an  $RS$ -manifold is further of type II, III, V, or VI, or non-simple type. (See Appendix.)*

Finally, if we sum up Theorems 4–6, the following theorem is obtained :

THEOREM 7.  *$M$  is of almost fibred type, almost clustered type, non-fibred type III, or non-fibred type VI.*

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#### APPENDIX

In Remarks 1–6, we treated of the existence of  $RS$ -manifolds which satisfy some conditions. For the  $RS$ -manifolds there enumerated, we can all construct their models. Here let us show some of them, whose constructions seem comparatively to be difficult.

1. We take the torus  $D$  in Euclidean 4-space  $E^4$ , defined by

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 = \cos \sigma, \quad x_2 = \sin \sigma, \quad x_3 = \cos \tau, \quad x_4 = \sin \tau \\ (-\infty < \sigma, \tau < \infty) \end{aligned}$$

where  $x_\lambda$  ( $\lambda = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) denote usual orthogonal coordinates in  $E^4$ . Let us regard  $D$  as a Euclidean 2-space form with the metric naturally induced from  $E^4$ . Construct the metric product  $D \times [L]$ . Let  $D(0), D(L)$  be the 2-submanifolds of  $D \times [L]$  defined by  $t = 0, L$  respectively. Define

$$\phi_0: D(0) \rightarrow D(0) \text{ by } \phi_0(\sigma, \tau, 0) = (\sigma + \pi, -\tau, 0).$$

Next, take a constant  $\tau_0$  ( $0 < \tau_0 < \pi$ ) and again define

$$\phi_L: D(L) \rightarrow D(L) \text{ by } \phi_L(\sigma, \tau, L) = (\sigma + \pi, -\tau + 2\tau_0, L).$$

Indeed, the maps  $\phi_0, \phi_L$  are isometric involutive homeomorphisms and have not fixed point. Accordingly in  $D \times [L]$  if we identify  $x$  with  $\phi_0(x)$  for all  $x \in D(0)$  and  $y$  with  $\phi_L(y)$  for all  $y \in D(L)$ , we get a Euclidean space form  $M^3$ .  $M^3$  is also an  $RS$ -manifold of type VI. Especially, if  $\pi/\tau_0$  is an irrational number,  $M^3$  becomes an  $RS$ -manifold of non-fibred type VI whose  $S$ -geodesics are all non-closed (Remark 4). If  $\pi/\tau_0$  is a rational number,  $M^3$

becomes an *RS-manifold of fibred type and further type VI, whose S-geodesics are all closed* (Remark 6).

2. Instead of the torus  $D$  above, we take a cylinder in Euclidean 3-space  $E^3$ , defined by

$$x_1 = \cos \sigma, x_2 = \sin \sigma, x_3 = \tau \quad (-\infty < \sigma, \tau < \infty),$$

where  $x_\lambda (\lambda = 1, 2, 3)$  denote usual orthogonal coordinates in  $E^3$ . In the same way, we can also get an *RS-manifold  $M^3$ .  $M^3$  is an RS-manifold of fibred type and further type VI, whose S-geodesics are all non-closed* (Remark 4).

3. In Euclidean 3-space  $E^3$ , let  $D$  be the subspace  $\{(x_1, x_2, t) \mid |x_1| \leq 1, 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$  where  $x_1, x_2, t$  denote usual orthogonal coordinates of  $E^3$ . Let  $D(0), D(1)$  be the subspaces of  $D$  defined by  $t = 0, 1$  respectively. For a constant  $c (\neq 0)$  we define

$$\phi: D(1) \rightarrow D(0) \text{ by } \phi(x_1, x_2, 1) = (x_1, x_2 + c, 0).$$

The map  $\phi$  is an isometric homeomorphism. By this, identify  $D(1)$  with  $D(0)$ . The space thus constructed from  $D$  we denote by  $D'$ . In  $D'$  let  $D'(1), D'(-1)$  denote the 2-submanifolds defined by  $x_1 = 1, -1$  respectively. Take an irrational number  $t_0 (0 < t_0 < 1)$  and again define

$$\psi: D'(1) \rightarrow D'(-1) \text{ by } \psi(1, x_2, t) = (-1, [x_2], [t + t_0])$$

where  $[x_2] = x_2$  or  $x_2 + c$  and  $[t + t_0] = t + t_0$  or  $t + t_0 - 1$  according as  $t + t_0 < 1$  or  $\geq 1$ . The map  $\psi$  is an isometric homeomorphism. By this, identify  $D'(1)$  with  $D'(-1)$ . The space thus constructed from  $D'$  we denote by  $M^3$ .  $M^3$  is a Euclidean 3-space form.  $M^3$  is also an *RS-manifold of fibred type and further non-simple type, whose S-geodesics are all nonclosed* (Remark 4).

4. Let  $r, \theta, z$  be cylindrical coordinates in Euclidean 3-space  $E^3$ . We take the closed domain  $D$  defined by  $0 \leq z \leq 2$ . In  $D$ , identify points  $(r, \theta, 0)$  with points  $(r, \theta, 2)$  for all  $r, \theta$ . We obtain thus a Euclidean 3-space form  $D'$ . In  $D' \times [L]$  let  $D'(0), D'(L)$  denote the 3-submanifolds defined by  $t = 0, L$  respectively. Take a constant  $\theta_0 (0 < \theta_0 < \pi)$  and define

$$\phi_0: D'(0) \rightarrow D'(0) \text{ by } \phi_0(r, \theta, z, 0) = (r, -\theta, [z + 1], 0).$$

$$\phi_L: D'(L) \rightarrow D'(L) \text{ by } \phi_L(r, \theta, z, L) = (r, -\theta + 2\theta_0, [z + 1], L),$$

where  $[z + 1] = z + 1$  or  $z - 1$  according as  $z < 1$  or  $\geq 1$ . The maps  $\phi_0, \phi_L$  are isometric involutive homeomorphisms and have not fixed point. Accordingly in  $D' \times [L]$ , if we identify  $x$  with  $\phi_0(x)$  for all  $x \in D'(0)$  and further  $y$  with  $\phi_L(y)$  for all  $y \in D'(L)$ , we get a Euclidean 4-space form  $M^4$ .  $M^4$  is also an *RS-manifold of type VI*. If  $\pi/\theta_0$  is an irrational number,  $M^4$  becomes an *RS-manifold of non-fibred type VI, among whose S-geodesics*

there exist both closed one and non-closed one (Remark 5). If  $\pi/\theta_j$  is a rational number,  $M^4$  becomes an *RS-manifold of almost fibred type (not fibred type) and further type VI* (Remark 6).

5. Let  $(e_\lambda)$  ( $\lambda = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) be an orthonormal frame with origin  $O$  in Euclidean 4-space  $E^4$ . Take a constant  $\alpha_0$  ( $0 < \alpha_0 < \pi$ ). We consider the moving frames  $(e_1, e_2(t), e_3(t), e_4)$  ( $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) with origin  $O$ , where

$$(e_2(t), e_3(t)) = (e_2, e_3) \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \alpha_0 & -\sin t \alpha_0 \\ \sin t \alpha_0 & \cos t \alpha_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In the following, let us represent points vectorially. Let  $D$  be the subspace of  $E^4$ , which consists of all points  $x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3 + t e_4$  such that  $|x_1| \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . Let  $D(0), D(1)$  denote the subspaces of  $D$  defined by  $t = 0, 1$  respectively. Define

$$\phi: D(1) \rightarrow D(0)$$

by  $\phi(x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2(1) + x_3 e_3(1) + e_4) = x_1 e_1 + x_2 e_2 + x_3 e_3$ .

The map  $\phi$  is an isometric homeomorphism. By this, identify  $D(1)$  with  $D(0)$ . The space thus constructed from  $D$  we denote by  $D$ . In  $D$  let  $D'(1), D'(-1)$  denote the 3-submanifolds defined by  $e_1$ -component = 1, -1 respectively. Take an irrational number  $t_0$  ( $0 < t_0 < 1$ ) and again define

$$\psi: D'(1) \rightarrow D'(-1)$$

by  $\psi(e_1 + x_2 e_2(t) + x_3 e_3(t) + t e_4)$

$$= -e_1 + x_2 e_2([t + t_0]) + x_3 e_3([t + t_0]) + [t + t_0] e_4$$

where  $[t + t_0] = t + t_0$  or  $t + t_0 - 1$  according as  $t + t_0 < 1$  or  $\geq 1$ . The map  $\psi$  is an isometric homeomorphism. By this, identify  $D'(1)$  with  $D'(-1)$ . The space thus constructed from  $D$  we denote by  $M^4$ .  $M^4$  is a Euclidean 4-space form and also an *RS-manifold*. If  $\pi/\alpha_0$  is an irrational number,  $M^4$  becomes an *RS-manifold of almost clustered type, among whose S-geodesics there exist both closed one and non-closed one* (Remark 5). If  $\pi/\alpha_0$  is a rational number,  $M^4$  becomes an *RS-manifold of almost fibred type (not fibred type) and further non-simple type* (Remark 6).

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