

COMPACT TOTALLY REAL SUBMANIFOLDS WITH PARALLEL MEAN CURVATURE VECTOR IN A COMPLEX SPACE FORM

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0. Introduction

A submanifold M of a Kaehlerian manifold \bar{M} is said to be *totally real* if each tangent space to M is mapped to the normal space by the complex structure of \bar{M} . The concept was first introduced by Chen and Ogiue [2], who studied their fundamental properties. Many subjects for totally real submanifolds were investigated from various different points of view, as one of which Chen, Houh and Lue [1] and Yachida [8, 9] obtained investigating results of m -dimensional totally real submanifolds with parallel mean curvature vector in $2m$ -dimensional complex space forms. Furthermore, Urbano [7] and Ohnita [5] recently determined also manifold structures of such a submanifold of positive curvature or of non-negative curvature, respectively.

The purpose of this paper is to investigate compact totally real submanifolds with parallel mean curvature vector of a complex space form.

Manifolds, submanifolds, geometric objects and mappings discussed in this paper are assumed to be differentiable and of C^∞ .

1. Totally real submanifolds of a Kaehlerian manifold

Let (\bar{M}, \bar{g}) be a Kaehlerian manifold of real dimension $2m$ equipped with an almost complex structure J and a Hermitian metric \bar{g} . Let \bar{M} be covered by a system of coordinate neighborhoods $\{\bar{U}, y^A\}$, where here and in the sequel the following convention on the range of indices are used, unless otherwise stated:

$$A, B, C \dots = 1, \dots, n, n+1, \dots, 2m,$$

$$h, i, j, \dots = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$u, v, w, \dots = n+1, \dots, 2m.$$

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The summation convention will be used with respect to those system of indices. We then have

$$(1.1) \quad J_A^B J_B^C = -\delta_A^C, \quad J_B^C J_A^D \bar{g}_{CD} = \bar{g}_{BA},$$

δ_A^C being the Kronecker delta, J_B^A , \bar{g}_{BA} the components of J and \bar{g} , respectively. Denoting by ∇_B the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to \bar{g}_{AB} , we get

$$(1.2) \quad \nabla_B J_C^A = 0.$$

Let M be an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold covered by a system of coordinate neighborhoods $\{U; x^h\}$ and immersed isometrically in \bar{M} by the immersion $\phi: M \rightarrow \bar{M}$. When the argument is local, M need not be distinguished from $\phi(M)$. We represent the immersion ϕ locally by $y^A = y^A(x^h)$ and put $B_j^A = \partial_j y^A$, ($\partial_j = \partial/\partial x^j$), then $B_j = (B_j^A)$ are n -linearly independent local tangent vectors of M . We choose $2m-n$ mutually orthogonal unit normals $C_x = (C_x^A)$ to M . Then the induced Riemannian metric g_{ji} on M is given by

$$(1.3) \quad g_{ji} = \bar{g}_{BC} B_j^B B_i^C.$$

Therefore, by denoting by ∇_j the operator of van der Waerden-Bortolotti covariant differentiation with respect to g_{ji} , the equations of Gauss and Weingarten for M are respectively obtained:

$$(1.4) \quad \nabla_j B_i^A = h_{ji}{}^x C_x^A, \quad \nabla_j C_x^A = -h_j^i{}^x B_i^A,$$

where $h_{ji}{}^x$ are the second fundamental forms in the direction of C_x and

$$(1.5) \quad h_j^h{}^x = h_{jix} g^{ih} = h_{ji}{}^y g^{ih} g_{yx},$$

$g_{yx} = \bar{g}_{BA} C_y^B C_x^A$ being the metric tensor of the normal bundle and $(g^{ji}) = (g_{ji})^{-1}$.

An n -dimensional Riemannian manifold M immersed isometrically in \bar{M} is called a *totally real* submanifold of \bar{M} if $JM_p \subset M_p^\perp$ for each point p of M , where M_p denotes the tangent space of M at p and M_p^\perp the normal space to M at p . In this case, JX is a normal vector to M , provided that X is a tangent vector on M . Thus it follows that the dimensions satisfy $m \geq n$. Let $N(M_p)$ be an orthogonal complement of JM_p in M_p^\perp . Then the decomposition is obtained: $M_p^\perp = JM_p \oplus N(M_p)$. Hence, it follows that the space $N(M_p)$ is invariant under the action of J . Accordingly we can put in each coordinate neighborhood of M ,

$$(1.6) \quad J_B^A B_j^B = J_j^x C_x^A,$$

$$(1.7) \quad J_B^A C_x^B = -J_x^i B_i^A + f_x^y C_y^A,$$

where we put $J_{jx} = \bar{g}(JB_j, C_x)$, $J_{xj} = -\bar{g}(JC_x, B_j)$ and $f_{xy} = \bar{g}(JC_x, C_y)$. From these definitions we see that

$$(1.8) \quad f_{xy} + f_{yx} = 0, \quad J_{jx} = J_{xj}.$$

By taking account of (1.1) and (1.3), it follows from (1.6) and (1.7) that

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{cases} J_j^x J_x^h = \delta_j^h, & J_j^x f_x^y = 0, \\ f_x^z f_z^y = -\delta_x^y + J_x^i J_i^y, \end{cases}$$

where $J_j^x = J_{jy} g^{yx}$, $f_x^y = f_{yz} g^{zx}$ and g^{yx} is the contravariant component of g_{yx} . These show that $f^3 + f = 0$. f being of constant rank, it defines the so-called f -structure in the normal bundle [10].

If we apply the operator ∇_j of the covariant differentiation to (1.6) and (1.7) and make use of (1.1), (1.2), (1.4) and these equations, we get respectively

$$(1.10) \quad h_{ji}^x J_{xh} = h_{jh}^x J_{xi},$$

$$(1.11) \quad \nabla_j J_i^x = h_{ji}^z f_z^x,$$

$$(1.12) \quad \nabla_j f_y^x = h_{jiy} J^{ix} - h_{ji}^x J_y^i.$$

In the sequel, we assume that the ambient Kaehlerian Manifold \bar{M} is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature $4c$ and of real dimension $2m$, which is called a *complex space form* and denoted by $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then the curvature tensor \bar{R} of $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$ is given by

$$\bar{R}_{DCBA} = c(\bar{g}_{DA}\bar{g}_{CB} - \bar{g}_{CA}\bar{g}_{DB} + J_{DA}J_{CB} - J_{CA}J_{DB} - 2J_{DC}J_{BA}).$$

Since the submanifold M is totally real, it follows from equations (1.6) ~ (1.9) that equations of Gauss, Codazzi and Ricci for M are respectively obtained:

$$(1.13) \quad R_{kjih} = c(g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{jh}g_{ki}) + h_{kh}^x h_{jix} - h_{jh}^x h_{kix},$$

$$(1.14) \quad \nabla_k h_{ji}^x - \nabla_j h_{ki}^x = 0,$$

$$(1.15) \quad R_{jiyx} = c(J_{jx}J_{iy} - J_{ix}J_{jy}) + h_{jrx} h_i^r{}_y - h_{irx} h_j^r{}_y,$$

where R_{kjih} and R_{jiyx} are the Riemannian curvature tensor of M and that with respect to the connection induced in the normal bundle of M , respectively. We see from (1.13) that the Ricci tensor R_{ji} of M can be expressed as follows:

$$(1.16) \quad R_{ji} = c(n-1)g_{ji} + h^x h_{jix} - h_{jr}^x h_i^r{}_x, \quad (h_x = g^{ji} h_{jix}).$$

2. Parallel mean curvature vector

Let M be an n -dimensional totally real submanifold in a complex

space form $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$ of constant holomorphic curvature $4c$. A normal vector field $\xi = (\xi^x)$ is called a *parallel section* in the normal bundle if it satisfies $\nabla_j \xi^x = 0$, and furthermore a tensor field F on M is said to be *parallel* in the normal bundle if $\nabla_j F$ vanishes identically. In this section, the f -structure in the normal bundle is assumed to be parallel. In this case, the equation (1.12) is reduced to

$$(2.1) \quad h_{jry} J^r x = h_{jr}{}^x J_y^r.$$

Multiplying $h^{jiy} J_y^h$ to (1.10) and summing up for j, i and h and making use of (2.1), we find

$$h^{jiy} h_{jix} J_{yh} J^x h = h^{jix} h_{jhx} J_{yi} J^y h,$$

which together with (1.9) gives

$$h^{jiy} h_{jix} (\delta_y^x + f_y^z f_z^x) = h^{jix} h_{jix}.$$

Thus it follows that

$$(2.2) \quad h_{ji}{}^x f_z^x = 0, \text{ i. e., } \nabla_j J_i^x = 0$$

for any index x , where we have used (1.11).

REMARK. We notice from (1.9) that f_y^x vanishes identically if $m = n$. Thus, an n -dimensional totally real submanifold of a real $2n$ -dimensional Kaehlerian manifold has always a trivial f -structure in the normal bundle.

Applying J_y^h to (1.10) and summing up for h , we obtain $h_{jiy} = h_{jr}{}^x J_y^r J_{xi}$ with the aid of (1.9) and (2.2), from which we get, taking the skew-symmetric part of this with respect to indices j and i ,

$$(h_{jr}{}^x J_y^r) J_{ix} - (h_{ir}{}^x J_y^r) J_{jx} = 0.$$

Therefore we see, by a direct consequence of (1.9) and (2.2), that

$$h_{jr}{}^x J_y^r = P_{yz}{}^x J_j^z,$$

where $P_{yz}{}^x$ is defined by $P_{yz}{}^x = h_{ji}{}^x J_y^j J_z^i$ and hence it satisfies

$$(2.3) \quad P_{yz}{}^x f_x^w = 0.$$

Denoting $P_{xyz} = g_{zw} P_{xy}^w$, we see that P_{xyz} is symmetric with respect to all indices, because of (2.1). It follows from (2.3) that

$$(2.4) \quad h_{ji}{}^x = P_{yz}{}^x J_j^y J_i^z,$$

which together with (1.9) and (2.3) gives $P_{xyz} P^{xyz} = h_{ji}{}^x h^{ji}{}_x$ and

$$(2.5) \quad h^x = P^x,$$

where $P^x = P_y{}^{yx}$.

From now on we denote the index $n+1$ by $*$. When $x = n+1$ in

(2.4), we have

$$(2.6) \quad h_{ji}^* = P_{yz}^* J_j^y J_i^z.$$

From this equation and (2.4) it is easily seen that

$$(2.7) \quad h_{jr}^x h_i^{r*} = P_{zu}^x P_y^u J_j^z J_i^y.$$

Let \mathcal{J} be a mean curvature vector field of the submanifold. Namely, it is defined by

$$\mathcal{J} = g^{ji} h_{ji}^x C_x / n = h^x C_x / n,$$

which is independent of the choice of the local field of orthonormal frames $\{C_x\}$. Since the fact that the mean curvature vector is parallel in the normal bundle is assumed, we may choose a local field $\{e_x\}$ in such a way that $\mathcal{J} = aC_{n+1}$, where $a = \|\mathcal{J}\|$ is constant. Because of the choice of the local field, the parallelism of \mathcal{J} yields

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{cases} h^x = 0, & x \geq n+2, \\ h^* = na. \end{cases}$$

\mathcal{J} being a normal vector field on M , the curvature tensor R_{jix} of the connection in the normal bundle shows that $R_{ji^*x} = 0$ for any index x . Thus the Ricci equation (1.15) gives

$$(2.9) \quad h_{jr}^x h_i^{r*} - h_{ir}^x h_j^{r*} = c(J_{j^*} J_i^x - J_{i^*} J_j^x).$$

By the way, we notice from the first equation of (2.2) that

$$(2.10) \quad f_*^x = 0,$$

because of the fact that \mathcal{J} is non trivial. For a normal vector field ξ , let A_ξ be a shape operator of the tangent space M_p at p in the direction of ξ , which is defined by $g(A_\xi X, Y) = \bar{g}(\sigma(X, Y), \xi)$ for any tangent vectors X and Y of M_p , where σ denotes the second fundamental form on the submanifold. In particular, the shape operator in the direction of C_{n+1} is denoted by A^* . The following property is then obtained.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let M be a totally real submanifold with parallel f -structure in the normal bundle in a complex space form $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. If the mean curvature vector is non trivial and parallel, and if A^* has no simple roots, then $c=0$.*

Proof. Since the shape operator $A^* = (h_j^{i*})$ is diagonalizable, a local field $\{e_i\}$ of orthonormal frames in M can be chosen in such a way that $h_j^{i*} = \lambda_j \delta_j^i$. Namely, $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ are eigenvalues of A^* . The equation (2.9) is then reduced to

$$(\lambda_i - \lambda_j) h_{ij}^x = c(J_j^* J_i^x - J_i^* J_j^x).$$

We put $[i] = \{j : \lambda_i = \lambda_j\}$. For any integer i the assumption implies that there is an integer j in $[i]$ different from i , and hence $\lambda_i = \lambda_j$. It yields $cJ_i^* = 0$, because of (1.9), and hence $c = 0$ by means of (2.10). This concludes the proof.

REMARK. Let M be an n -dimensional totally real submanifold in \bar{M}^{2n} (c) ($c \neq 0$). It is shown that if the nontrivial mean curvature vector is parallel in the normal bundle, then the shape operator A^* has simple roots.

Now, the equation (2.9) together with (2.7) yields

$$(P_{zu}^x P_y^{u*} - P_{yu}^x P_z^{u*}) J_j^z J_i^y = c(J_{j*} J_i^x - J_{i*} J_j^x).$$

Hence it follows that

$$(2.11) \quad P_{zu}^x P_y^{u*} - P_{yu}^x P_z^{u*} = c(\delta_{z*} J_y^i J_i^x - J_z^j J_j^x \delta_{y*})$$

by means of (1.9), (2.3) and (2.10). Contracting x and y in (2.11) and making use of (1.9), (2.5) and (2.8), we find

$$(2.12) \quad P_{zuz} P^{zu*} - h^* P_z^{**} = c(n-1) \delta_{z*},$$

and hence

$$(2.13) \quad P_{yx*} P^{yz*} = h^* P_*^{**} + c(n-1).$$

By multiplying h^z to (2.11) and summing up for z , it is easily seen that

$$h^* P_{*u}^x P_y^{u*} - h^* P_{yu}^x P_*^{u*} = c(h^* J_y^i J_i^x - h^x \delta_{y*})$$

by means of (2.3), (2.5), (2.8) and (2.10). From the fact that P_{xyz} is symmetric for all indices it follows that

$$P_{uz*} P_y^{u*} P^{xy*} = P_{yx}^u P^{yz*} P_u^{**} + c(h^* - P_*^{**}),$$

because \mathcal{J} is non trivial, where we use (2.5) and (2.8).

Substituting (2.12) into the last equation and making use of (2.3), we obtain

$$(2.14) \quad P_{uz*} P_y^{u*} P^{xy*} = h^* P_{z*}^* P_*^{z*} + c(n-2) P_*^{**} + ch^*.$$

LEMMA 2.2. *Let M be a totally real submanifold with parallel f -structure in the normal bundle in $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. If the non trivial mean curvature vector is parallel, then*

$$(2.15) \quad \Delta(h_{ji}^* h^{ji*}) = 2\|\nabla_k h_{ji}^*\|^2,$$

where Δ is the operator of Laplacian.

Proof. The mean curvature vector being parallel in the normal bundle, the Laplacian of h_{ji}^* is given, using the Ricci formula for h_{ji}^* , by

$$(2.16) \quad \Delta h_{ji}^* = R_{jr} h_i^{r*} - R_{kji} h^{kh*}.$$

On the other hand, it follows from (1.16) and (2.8) that

$$R_{ji} = c(n-1)g_{ji} + h^* h_{ji}^* - h_{jr}^x h_i^{r*}.$$

If we substitute this and (1.13) into (2.16), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta h_{ji}^* = & c n h_{ji}^* - c h^* g_{ji} + h^* h_{jr}^* h_i^{r*} - h_{kh}^y h^{kh*} h_{jly} \\ & + h_{ki}^y h^{kh*} h_{jly} - h_{jly} h_{rhy} h_i^{r*}. \end{aligned}$$

By means of (2.10), it turns out to be

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta h_{ji}^* = & c n h_{ji}^* - c h^* g_{ji} + h^* h_{jr}^* h_i^{r*} - h_{kh}^y h^{kh*} h_{jly} \\ & - c h_{jr}^y (J_*^r J_{ly} - J_{i*} J_y^r), \end{aligned}$$

or, taking account of (1.9), (2.3), (2.4) and (2.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta h_{ji}^* = & c n h_{ji}^* - c h^* g_{ji} + h^* P_{zu}^* P_y^{u*} J_j^z J_i^y \\ & - P_{zx}^y P^{zx*} h_{jly} - c (P_{yz}^* J_j^z J_i^y - P^y J_{jy} J_{i*}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus it follows from (2.5), (2.6) and (2.8) that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta h_{ji}^* = & c(n-1)h_{ji}^* - c h^* (g_{ji} - J_{j*} J_{i*}) \\ & + h^* P_{zu}^* P_y^{u*} J_j^z J_i^y - P_{zx}^y P^{zx*} h_{jly}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently it follows from the last equation that

$$\begin{aligned} h^{ji*} \Delta h_{ji}^* = & c(n-1) P_{xy*} P^{xy*} - c h^{*2} + c h^* P_{**}^* \\ & + h^* P_{yz}^* P_u^{z*} P^{yu*} - (P_{zx}^y P^{zx*}) (P_{uvy} P^{uv*}), \end{aligned}$$

where we have used (1.9), (2.3), (2.6), (2.7) and (2.8). Substituting (2.12)~(2.14) into the above equation, we obtain $h^{ii*} \Delta h_{ji}^* = 0$. This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 2.3. *Let M be an m -dimensional totally real submanifold in $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. If the nontrivial mean curvature is parallel, then (2.15) is valid.*

3. Characterization of submanifolds

This section is devoted to investigating the manifold structure of compact totally real submanifolds in a complex space form $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. Let M be an n -dimensional compact totally real submanifold of $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$ such that the f -structure in the normal bundle is parallel. If the non trivial mean curvature vector \mathcal{J} on M is parallel, then Lemma 2.2 says the second fundamental form h_{ji}^* in the direction of \mathcal{J} is parallel, that is, $\nabla_k h_{ji}^* = 0$

on M . When a function h_m for any integer $m \geq 1$ is given by

$$h_m = h_{i_1}^{i_2*} h_{i_2}^{i_3*} \dots h_{i_m}^{i_1*},$$

it is easily seen that h_m is constant on M for any integer m , because $h_{j_i}^*$ is parallel. This implies that each eigenvalue λ_j of the shape operator A^* is constant on M . By μ_1, \dots, μ_α mutually distinct eigenvalues of A^* are denoted. Let n_1, \dots, n_α be their multiplicities. Since distinct eigenvalues μ_a ($a=1, \dots, \alpha$) is constant, the smooth distribution T_a which consists of all eigenspaces associated with the eigenvalue can be defined, and they are then mutually orthogonal. Furthermore, A^* being parallel, these distributions T_a are parallel and hence completely integrable. Thus, by means of the de Rham decomposition theorem [3], the submanifold M is a product of Riemannian manifolds $M_1 \times \dots \times M_\alpha$, where the tangent bundle of M_a corresponds to T_a . First of all, we shall prove

THEOREM 3.1. *Let M be an n -dimensional compact totally real submanifold imbedded in a $2m$ -dimensional complex Euclidean space C_m . If an f -structure in the normal bundle is parallel and if the mean curvature vector is parallel, then M is a product submanifold $M_1 \times \dots \times M_\alpha$, where M_a is a compact n_a -dimensional totally real submanifold imbedded in C_{m_a} and M_a is contained in a hypersphere in C_{m_a} .*

Since the proof is accomplished by the quite same discussion as that in [1] and [6], it is only sketched. Since the ambient space is complex Euclidean, it can not admit compact minimal submanifolds. So, the mean curvature vector \mathcal{J} is not trivial. Furthermore, since \mathcal{J} is parallel in the normal bundle, each shape operator A_y satisfies $[A^*, A_y] = 0$, which implies $A_y T_a \subset T_a$ for any indices y and a . By means of Moore's Theorem [4], $M = M_1 \times \dots \times M_\alpha$ is a product submanifold imbedded in $C_m = C_{m_1} \times \dots \times C_{m_\alpha}$. Moreover, M_a is a totally real submanifold imbedded in some C_{m_a} , because we can choose an orthonormal basis e_{1*}, \dots, e_{m*} for JM_p and an orthonormal basis $e_{n+1}, \dots, e_m, e_{n+1*}, \dots, e_{m*}$ for $N(M_p)$ in such a way that

$$h_{ij}^k = h_{jk}^i = h_{ki}^j, \quad h_{ij}^\lambda = 0 \quad \text{for } \lambda = n+1, \dots, m^*.$$

Let $\pi_a(\mathcal{J})$ be the component of \mathcal{J} in the subspace C_{m_a} . Then $\pi_a(\mathcal{J})$ is a parallel mean curvature of M_a in C_{m_a} , and M_a is umbilical with respect to $\pi_a(\mathcal{J})$. Therefore it follows that M_a lies in a small hypersphere

in C_{m_a} which is orthogonal to $\pi_a(\mathcal{F})$, and hence it is a compact minimal submanifold in the hypersphere. This completes the proof.

As a direct consequence of Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 3.1, we have

THEOREM 3.2. *Let M be an n -dimensional compact totally real submanifold with parallel f -structure in the normal bundle imbedded in a complex space form $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. If the non trivial mean curvature vector is parallel and if the shape operator A^* has no simple roots, then $c=0$. In particular, if $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)=C_m$, then M is a product submanifold $M_1 \times \dots \times M_a$.*

THEOREM 3.3. *Let M be an n -dimensional compact totally real submanifold with parallel f -structure in the normal bundle in a complex space form $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. If the non trivial mean curvature vector is parallel and if \bar{M} has no zero sectional curvature, then $c=0$. In particular, if $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)=C_m$, then M must be minimally contained in a hypersphere of positive curvature in C_m .*

THEOREM 3.4. *Let M be a compact totally real submanifold with parallel f -structure in the normal bundle in a complex space form $\bar{M}^{2m}(c)$. If the non trivial mean curvature vector is parallel and if the shape operator A^* has mutually distinct eigenvalues, then M is flat and moreover the second fundamental form is parallel.*

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