

## ON CONFORMAL DIFFEOMORPHISM BETWEEN ALMOST HERMITIAN MANIFOLDS AND KAEHLERIAN MANIFOLDS

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### 1. Introduction

Under a non-homothetic conformal diffeomorphism of an almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  onto a Kaehlerian manifold  $M^*$  of real dimension  $>4$ ,  $M$  is a non-Kaehlerian Hermitian manifold. As a subclass of almost Hermitian manifolds, RK-manifolds have interesting geometrical properties and many geometers are concerned with them (see [1], [6], [7]).

A conformal diffeomorphism  $f$  of a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(M^*, g^*)$  is characterized by the metric change

$$(1.1) \quad f^*g^* = \rho^{-2}g,$$

where  $\rho$  is a positive scalar field on  $M$ . The purpose of this paper is to prove

**THEOREM 1.** *If there is a non-homothetic conformal diffeomorphism  $f$  of an almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  onto a Kaehlerian manifold  $M^*$  of real dimension  $>4$ , then  $f$  preserves the holomorphic sectional curvatures  $H$  of  $M$  and  $H^*$  of  $M^*$ , that is,  $\rho^2 H = H^*$  and at least one of the scalar curvatures of  $M$  and  $M^*$  are not constant.*

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $f$  be a conformal diffeomorphism of an almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  onto a Kaehlerian manifold  $M^*$  of real dimension  $>4$ . Then  $M$  is a RK-manifold if and only if the characteristic scalar field  $\rho$  satisfies the equation*

$$\nabla_X d\rho = cX,$$

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for any vector field  $X$  on  $M$ , where  $c$  is a positive constant. In the case when  $M$  is complete, both  $M$  and  $M^*$  are locally Euclidean.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $M$  and  $M^*$  be  $2n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifolds with Riemannian metrics  $g$  and  $g^*$  respectively. Under the conformal diffeomorphism  $f$  characterized by (1.1), we shall denote the gradient vector field of  $\log \rho$  by  $U$ , that is,

$$(2.1) \quad g(U, X) = X \log \rho$$

for any vector field  $X$  on  $M$ . The Riemannian connections with respect to  $g$  and  $g^*$  will be denoted by  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^*$  respectively. Then it follows from (1.1) and (2.1) that

$$(2.2) \quad \nabla^*_X Y - \nabla_X Y = g(X, Y)U - g(U, Y)X - g(U, X)Y$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$ . From now on, quantities of  $M^*$  associated to that of  $M$  will be denoted by asterisking.

A bilinear 2-form  $P$  on  $M$  defined by

$$(2.3) \quad P(X, Y) = (XY - \nabla_X Y) \log \rho + g(U, X)g(U, Y) - \frac{1}{2}|U|^2 g(X, Y)$$

is symmetric for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$ , where  $|U|$  is the magnitude of  $U$ . A linear transformation  $Q$  of  $M$  associated to  $P$  is given by

$$(2.4) \quad g(QX, Y) = P(X, Y).$$

The curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor and the scalar curvature of  $M$  will be denoted by  $K$ ,  $\text{Ric}$  and  $\kappa$  respectively. Then using (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4), we have the transformation formulas ([5])

$$(2.5) \quad K^*(X, Y)Z = K(X, Y)Z + P(Y, Z)X - P(X, Z)Y + g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY,$$

$$(2.6) \quad \text{Ric}^*(X, Y) = \text{Ric}(X, Y) + 2(n-1)P(X, Y) + \sum_i P(E_i, E_i)g(X, Y),$$

$$(2.7) \quad \rho^{-2}\kappa^* = \kappa + 2(2n-1)\sum_i P(E_i, E_i),$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  on  $M$ , where  $\{E_i\}$  is any orthonormal frame for  $M$ .

Now assume that  $M$  is an almost Hermitian manifold with the structure  $(g, J)$  and  $M^*$  is a Kaehlerian manifold with the structure  $(g^*, J^*)$ . The structure  $(g, J)$  satisfies

$$J^2 = -I, \quad g(JX, JY) = g(X, Y),$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$ , and  $(g^*, J^*)$  does

$$(2.8) \quad J^{*2} = -I, \quad g^*(J^*X^*, J^*Y^*) = g^*(X^*, Y^*), \quad J^*J^* = 0$$

for any vector fields  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  on  $M^*$ . Since the conformal diffeomorphism  $f: M \rightarrow M^*$  is holomorphic,  $f$  preserves the complex structure, that is,

$$f^*J^* = J^*f_*.$$

Therefore it follows from (1.1) and the third of (2.5) that

$$(2.9) \quad (\nabla_X J)Y = g(U, JY)X - g(U, Y)JX + g(X, Y)JU - g(X, JY)U.$$

The Nijenhuis tensor  $N$  of  $M$  is given by

$$N(X, Y) = [JX, JY] - J[X, JY] - J[JX, Y] - [X, Y].$$

It is easily verified that  $N$  vanishes identically on  $M$  by virtue of (2.9). Thus we can state

**LEMMA 2.1.** *If there is a conformal diffeomorphism  $f$  of an almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  onto a Kaehlerian manifold  $M^*$ , then  $M$  is a Hermitian manifold.*

An almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  is called a *RK-manifold* if the curvature tensor field  $K$  of  $M$  satisfies

$$(2.10) \quad g(K(JX, JY)JZ, JW) = g(K(X, Y)Z, W).$$

The geometry of the RK-manifolds has been studied by L. Vanheke ([6]) and L. Vanheke and K. Yano ([7]).

### 3. Proof of the Theorems

First of all, differentiating (2.7) covariantly along  $M$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.1) \quad & K(X, Y, JZ, JW) - K(X, Y, Z, W) \\
 & = g(X, W)P(Y, Z) - g(Y, W)P(X, Z) \\
 & \quad - g(X, JW)P(Y, JZ) + g(Y, JW)P(X, JZ) \\
 & \quad + P(X, W)g(Y, Z) - P(Y, W)g(X, Z) \\
 & \quad - P(X, JW)g(Y, JZ) + P(Y, JW)g(X, JZ)
 \end{aligned}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  and  $W$  on  $M$ . If we apply the first Bianchi identity to (3.1), then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.2) \quad & g(X, JW) \{P(Z, JY) - P(Y, JZ)\} + 2P(X, JW)g(Z, JY) \\
 & + g(Y, JW) \{P(X, JZ) - P(Z, JX)\} + 2P(Y, JW)g(X, JZ) \\
 & + g(Z, JW) \{P(Y, JX) - P(X, JY)\} + 2P(Z, JW)g(Y, JX) \\
 & = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\{E_1, \dots, E_{2n}\}$  be any orthonormal frame for  $M$ . Putting  $X=JE_i$  and  $W=E_i$  into (3.2) and summing over  $i$ , we have

$$(3.3) \quad (n-2) \{P(Z, JY) - P(Y, JZ)\} + \sum_i P(JE_i, JE_i)g(Z, JY) = 0.$$

Putting  $Y=E_i$  and  $Z=JE_i$  again into (3.3) and taking account of the relation  $\sum_i P(JE_i, JE_i) = \sum_i P(E_i, E_i)$ , we also have

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_i P(E_i, E_i) = 0.$$

Then it follows from (3.3) and (3.4) that

$$(3.5) \quad P(X, JY) = P(Y, JX).$$

The holomorphic sectional curvature  $H(X, JX)$  of any holomorphic section  $\rho(X, JX)$  in an almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  is given by

$$(3.6) \quad H(X, JX) = - \frac{g(K(X, JX)X, JX)}{\{g(X, X)\}^2}$$

for any vector fields  $X$  on  $M$ . Since the equations (2.5) and (3.5) lead to

$$K^*(X, JX, X, JX) = \rho^{-2}K(X, JX, X, JX),$$

we have

$$H^*(X, JX) = \rho^2 H(X, JX)$$

which shows that  $f$  preserves the holomorphic sectional curvatures. Moreover, comparing (2.7) with (3.4), we have

$$\kappa^* = \rho^2 \kappa,$$

which means that one of the scalar curvatures  $\kappa^*$  and  $\kappa$  is not a constant. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

To prove Theorem 2, if we replace  $X$  and  $Y$  in (3.1) with  $JX$  and  $JY$  respectively, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.7) \quad & K(JX, JY, JZ, JW) - K(JX, JY, Z, W) \\ &= g(JX, W)P(JY, Z) - g(JY, W)P(JX, Z) \\ &\quad - g(X, W)P(JY, JZ) + g(Y, W)P(JX, JZ) \\ &\quad + P(JX, W)g(JY, Z) - P(JY, W)g(JX, Z) \\ &\quad - P(JX, JW)g(Y, Z) + P(JY, JW)g(X, Z). \end{aligned}$$

By a substitution of (3.1) into (3.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (3.8) \quad & K(JX, JY, JZ, JW) - K(X, Y, Z, W) \\ &= g(X, Z) \{P(JY, JW) - P(Y, W)\} \\ &\quad - g(Y, Z) \{P(JX, JW) - P(X, W)\} \\ &\quad - g(X, W) \{P(JY, JZ) - P(Y, Z)\} \\ &\quad + g(Y, W) \{P(JX, JZ) - P(X, Z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $M$  is a RK-manifold, we can easily obtain from (2.10) and (3.8) that

$$(3.9) \quad P(JX, JY) = P(X, Y).$$

Therefore it follows from (3.5) and (3.9) that  $P(X, Y) = 0$ , that is,

$$(3.10) \quad (XY - \nabla_X Y) \log \rho = -g(U, X)g(U, Y) + \frac{1}{2} |U|^2 g(X, Y).$$

We see that the equation (3.10) is equivalent to

$$(3.11) \quad \nabla_X d\rho = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\text{grad } \rho|^2}{\rho} X.$$

In terms of the canonical coordinate  $\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \right\}$  of  $M$ , (3.11) is expressed by

$$\nabla_j \rho_i = \frac{1}{2} \frac{|\text{grad } \rho|^2}{\rho} g_{ij}.$$

Applying  $2\rho^i$  to the above equation, we have  $|\text{grad } \rho|^2 = c' \rho$ , where  $c'$  is a constant. Thus (3.11) is reduced to

$$(3.12) \quad \nabla_x d\rho = cX,$$

which shows that  $\rho$  is a concircular scalar field (see [1]).

Conversely if  $\rho$  satisfies the equation (3.12), we can easily show that  $M$  is a RK-manifold.

The remaining part of the theorem 2 follows from the results due to Y. Tashiro ([3], [4]). If a complete Riemannian manifold of dimension  $> 2$  admits a concircular scalar field given by (3.12),  $M$  is locally Euclidean

REMARK. The Bochner curvature tensor  $B^*$  of a Kaehlerian manifold  $M^*$  is given by

$$(3.13) \quad \begin{aligned} B^*(X^*, Y^*)Z^* = & K^*(X^*, Y^*)Z^* + g^*(Y^*, Z^*)C^*X^* \\ & - g^*(X^*, Z^*)C^*Y^* - L^*(X^*, Z^*)Y^* \\ & + L^*(Y^*, Z^*)X^* + g^*(J^*Y^*, Z^*)C^*J^*X^* \\ & - L^*(J^*X^*, Z^*)J^*Y^* + L^*(J^*Y^*, Z^*)J^*X^* \\ & - g^*(J^*X^*, Z^*)C^*J^*Y^* - 2L^*(J^*X^*, Y^*)J^*Z^* \\ & - 2g^*(J^*X^*, Y^*)C^*J^*Z^* \end{aligned}$$

for any vector fields  $X^*$ ,  $Y^*$  and  $Z^*$  on  $M^*$ , where we have put

$$(3.14) \quad \begin{aligned} L^*(X^*, Y^*) = & -\frac{1}{2(n+2)} \text{Ric}^*(X^*, Y^*) \\ & + \frac{\kappa^*}{8(n+1)(n+2)} g^*(X^*, Y^*) \end{aligned}$$

and  $C^*$  is its corresponding transformation defined by

$$g^*(C^*X^*, Y^*) = L^*(X^*, Y^*).$$

Under the conformal diffeomorphism  $f$  of  $M$  onto  $M^*$ , it follows from (2.6), (2.7) and (3.4) that

$$(3.15) \quad L^*(X, Y) = L(X, Y) - \frac{n-1}{n+2} P(X, Y)$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$ , where we have put

$$L(X, Y) = -\frac{1}{2(n+2)} \text{Ric}(X, Y) + \frac{\kappa}{8(n+1)(n+2)} g(X, Y).$$

And we shall denote by  $C$  the corresponding transformation to  $L$ . Substituting (2.5) and (3.15) into (3.13), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (3.16) \quad B^*(X, Y)Z &= B(X, Y)Z + \frac{3}{n+2} \{P(Y, Z)X \\ &\quad - P(X, Z)Y + g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY\} \\ &\quad + \frac{n-1}{n+2} \{g(JY, Z)QJX - g(JX, Z)QJY \\ &\quad + P(JX, Z)JY - P(JY, Z)JX - 2P(JX, Y)JZ \\ &\quad - 2g(JX, Y)QJZ\} \end{aligned}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  on  $M$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} B(X, Y)Z &= K(X, Y)Z + g(Y, Z)CX - g(X, Z)CY - L(X, Z)Y \\ &\quad + L(Y, Z)X + g(JY, Z)CJX - L(JX, Z)JY + L(JY, Z)JX \\ &\quad - g(JX, Z)CJY - 2L(JX, Y)JZ - 2g(JX, Y)CJZ. \end{aligned}$$

Such  $B$  is called a *Bochner curvature tensor of an almost Hermitian manifold* (see [6]).

Suppose that  $f$  preserves the Bochner curvature tensors  $B$  and  $B^*$ , that is,  $B=B^*$  on  $M$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.17) \quad 3\{P(Y, Z)X - P(X, Z)Y + g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY \\ - (n-1)\{g(JY, Z)QJX - g(JX, Z)QJY \\ + P(JX, Z)JY - P(JY, Z)JX - 2P(JX, Y)JZ \\ - 2g(JX, Y)QJZ\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

For any orthonormal frame for  $M$ , putting  $Y=JE_i$  and  $Z=E_i$  into (3.17) and summing over  $i$ , we also have

$$(3.18) \quad P(X, Y) = 0,$$

which shows that  $M$  is a RK-manifold. Conversely if  $M$  is a RK-manifold, we see that  $B=B^*$  on  $M$ . Thus we can state

**PROPOSITION 3.** *Let  $f$  be a conformal diffeomorphism of an almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  onto a Kaehlerian manifold  $M^*$ . Then  $M$  is a*

*RK-manifold if and only if  $f$  preserves the Bochner curvature tensors  $B$  of  $M$  and  $B^*$  of  $M^*$ .*

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