

ON A STRUCTURE ϕ SATISFYING $(\phi^2 + 1)(\phi^2 + a) = 0$

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In [4], Yano, Houh and Chen have consider the structure defined by a tensor field ϕ of type (1,1) satisfying $\phi^4 + \phi^2 = 0$ or $\phi^4 - \phi^2 = 0$, respectively, and they studied the existence of those structures. In [2], Nikić is introduces the $\phi(-1, -a)$ -structure satisfying $(\phi^2 - 1)(\phi^2 - a) = 0$. In this paper, we want to consider the structure defined by a tensor field ϕ of type (1,1) satisfying $(\phi^2 + 1)(\phi^2 + a) = 0$. Moreover, we consider the generalization of the above structure which satisfies the equation;

$$(\phi^2 + a_1)(\phi^2 + a_2) \cdots (\phi^2 + a_k) = 0,$$

where a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k are distinct real numbers.

I. Preliminaries

Let M be an n -dimensional differentiable manifold with (f, U, V, u, v, λ) -structure. Then there exist a tensor field f of type (1,1) on M , vector fields U and V , 1-forms u and v , and a function λ such that

$$\begin{aligned} f^2 &= -1 + u \otimes U + v \otimes V, \\ fU &= -\lambda V, \quad fV = \lambda U, \\ u \circ f &= \lambda v, \quad v \circ f = -\lambda u, \\ u(U) &= v(V) = 1 - \lambda^2, \\ u(V) &= v(U) = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

Applying f to the first equation of (1.1), we get

$$f^3 + f = \lambda(-u \otimes V + v \otimes U). \tag{1.2}$$

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If $\lambda \neq 0$, then the (f, U, V, u, v, λ) -structure is not an f -structure defined by Yano [3]. Again, applying f to (1.2) and making use of (1.1), we get

$$(1.3) \quad (f^2 + 1)(f^2 + \lambda^2) = 0.$$

Then the (f, U, V, u, v, λ) -structure is not a $\phi(-1, -a)$ -structure defined by Nikić' [2].

II. Matric $\phi(1, a)$ -structure

Let M^n be an n -dimensional differentiable manifold of class C^∞ and let there be given a tensor field ϕ of type (1.1) and of class c^∞ such that

$$(2.1) \quad (\phi^2 + 1)(\phi^2 + a) = 0, \quad a \in R^+, a \neq 1.$$

For a differentiable manifold with a structure which satisfies the equation (2.1), we say that it admits a $\phi(1, a)$ -structure. Let

$$(2.2) \quad l = \frac{(\phi^2 + a)}{(a - 1)}, \quad m = \frac{(\phi^2 + 1)}{(1 - a)},$$

then we have

$$l + m = 1, \quad l^2 = l, \quad m^2 = m, \quad lm = ml = 0.$$

Thus the operators l and m applied to the tangent space at a point of M^n are complementary projection operators. Let L and M be the complementary distributions corresponding to the operators l and m respectively.

From (2.2) we get

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \phi^2 l &= -l, \quad \phi^2 m = -am \quad \text{and} \\ f &= l - m = \frac{(2\phi^2 + a + 1)}{(a - 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Then it clear that $f \neq 1, f^2 = 1$ and the manifold M^n admits an almost product structure f .

THEOREM 2.1. *A differentiable manifold M^n with $\phi(1, a)$ -structure is of even dimensional.*

Proof. Let p be a point of M^n . Then we have from (2.3)

$$\phi^2 X = -X, \quad X \in L_p,$$

which shows that ϕ is an almost complex structure in the subspace L_p of $T_p(M^n)$ at p and L_p is of even dimensional, where we put $\dim L_p = 2k$.

From the second equation of (2.3), we get

$$\phi^2 X = -aX, \quad X \in M_p,$$

which shows that $\phi' = \frac{\phi}{\sqrt{a}}$ is an almost complex structure in the subspace M_p of $T_p(M^n)$ at p and M_p is of even dimensional. Thus $T_p(M^n)$ is of even dimensional, where we put $n = 2m$.

We now introduce a local coordinate system in the manifold M^n and denote by ϕ_j^i, l_j^i, m_j^i the local components of the tensors ϕ, l, m , respectively. We also introduce a positive definite Riemannian metric g in M^n and take $2k$ mutually orthogonal unit vectors $u_a^h (a, b, c, \dots = 1, 2, \dots, 2k)$ in L and $2(m - k)$ mutually orthogonal unit vectors $u_A^h (A, B, C, \dots = 2k + 1, \dots, 2m)$ in M .

Then we have

$$(2.4) \quad l_i^h u_a^i = u_a^h, \quad l_i^h u_A^i = 0, \quad m_i^h u_a^i = 0, \quad m_i^h u_A^i = u_A^h.$$

If we denote by (v_i^a, v_i^A) the matrix inverse to (u_b^j, u_B^j) , then both v_i^a and v_i^A are components of linearly independent covariant vectors and satisfy the relations

$$(2.5) \quad v_i^a u_b^i = \delta_b^a, \quad v_i^a u_B^i = 0, \quad v_i^A u_b^i = 0, \quad v_i^A u_B^i = \delta_B^A,$$

$$(2.6) \quad v_i^a u_a^h + v_i^A u_A^h = \delta_i^h.$$

If we put

$$(2.7) \quad h_{ji} = v_j^a v_i^a + v_j^A v_i^A,$$

then h_{ji} is a globally well-defined positive definite Riemannian metric with respect to which (v_b^h, v_B^h) form an orthogonal frame such that $v_j^a = h_{ji}u_a^i, v_j^A = h_{ji}u_A^i$.

From (2.4) and (2.5), we get

$$(2.8) \quad l_j^h v_h^a = v_j^a, \quad l_j^h v_h^A = 0, \quad m_j^h v_h^a = 0, \quad m_j^h v_h^A = v_j^A.$$

On the other hand, from the first equation of (2.4), we get

$$l_j^h v_i^a u_a^j = v_i^a u_a^h, \quad l_j^h (\delta_i^j - v_i^A u_A^j) = v_i^a u_a^h,$$

from which

$$(2.9) \quad l_i^h = v_i^a u_a^h.$$

Similarly we get

$$(2.10) \quad m_i^h = v_i^A u_A^h.$$

If we put

$$(2.11) \quad l_{ji} = l_j^t h_{ti}, \quad m_{ji} = m_j^t h_{ti}$$

We find from (2.7), (2.9) and (2.10)

$$(2.12) \quad l_{ji} = v_j^a v_i^a, \quad m_{ji} = v_j^A v_i^A$$

$$(2.13) \quad l_{ji} = l_{ij}, \quad m_{ji} = m_{ij}, \quad l_{ij} + m_{ji} = h_{ji}.$$

We can easily verify the following relations:

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} l_j^t l_i^s h_{ts} &= l_{ji}, & l_j^t m_i^s h_{ts} &= 0, \\ m_j^t m_i^s h_{ts} &= m_{ji}. \end{aligned}$$

For any vectors X and Y with components X^i, Y^i let us put

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} m^*(X, Y) &= m_{ts} X^t Y^s, & h(X, Y) &= h_{ts} X^t Y^s, \\ g(X, Y) &= \frac{1}{2} [h(X, Y) + h(\phi X, \phi Y) + (a-1)m^*(X, Y)]. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$h(u_a, u_A) = m^*(u_a, u_A) = 0, \quad g(u_a, u_A) = 0.$$

Then the distributions L and M are orthogonal with respect to the metric g . It is easy to verify by using (2.10) and (2.13) that

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(u_a, u_b) &= m^*(\phi u_a, \phi u_b) = 0, \\ h(\phi^2 u_a, \phi^2 u_b) &= h(u_a, u_b). \end{aligned}$$

These equations lead to the following:

$$(2.16) \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) \quad X, Y \in L.$$

Next, for any vector fields u_A and u_B in M , we have from (2.10) and (2.13)

$$\begin{aligned} h(u_A, u_B) &= m^*(u_A, u_B) \\ h(\phi u_A, \phi u_B) &= m^*(\phi u_A, \phi u_B), \\ h(\phi^2 u_A, \phi^2 u_B) &= h(-a u_A, -a u_B) = a^2 m^*(u_A, u_B). \end{aligned}$$

These equations lead to the following:

$$(2.17) \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = a g(X, Y), \quad X, Y \in M.$$

Thus we have

THEOREM 2.2. *Let M^n be an n -dimensional manifold with $\phi(1, a)$ -structure. Then there exists a positive definite Riemannian metric g with respect to which L and M are mutually orthogonal and such that (2.16) and (2.17) hold.*

For any vector fields X and Y in M^n , from (2.16) and (2.17) we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(\phi X, \phi Y) &= g(\phi lX + \phi mX, \phi lY + \phi mY) \\ &= g(lX, lY) + a g(mX, mY), \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$(2.18) \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) + (a - 1)g(mX, mY),$$

Thus we have

THEOREM 2.3. *Let M^n be an n -dimensional manifold with $\phi(1, a)$ -structure. Then there exists a positive definite Riemannian metric g such that*

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) + (a - 1)g(mX, mY)$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M^n .

Next, from (2.18) we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(\phi X, Y) &= g(\phi^2 X, \phi Y) + (1 - a)(m\phi X, mY) \\ &= g(-X + (1 - a)mX, \phi Y) + (1 - a)g(\phi X, mY) \\ &= -g(X, \phi Y) + (1 - a)g(mX, \phi Y) + (1 - a)g(\phi X, mY). \end{aligned}$$

Replacing Y by mY in the last equation, we get

$$g(\phi X, mY) + g(mX, \phi Y) = 0$$

by virtue of $a \in R^+$. Then we have

$$(2.19) \quad g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y).$$

Let ω be a tensor field of type (0,2) of M^n defined by

$$\omega(X, Y) = g(\phi X, Y)$$

for any vector fields X and Y of M^n , then we have

$$(2.20) \quad \omega(X, Y) = -\omega(Y, X),$$

that is, ω is a 2-form.

III. Structure group of $\phi(1, a)$ -structure

Take a vector e in the distribution L , then the vector ϕe is also in L and perpendicular to e , and moreover ϕe has the same length as e with respect to g . Consequently we can choose $2k$ orthonormal basis in L such that

$$e_1, \dots, e_k, \quad \phi e_1 = \phi e_{k+1}, \dots, \phi e_k = e_{2k}.$$

Take a vector e in the distribution M , then the vector ϕe is in M and perpendicular to e . If we put $\phi = \sqrt{a}\phi'$, then ϕ' is an almost complex structure on M , and ϕe has the same length as $\sqrt{a}e$ with respect to g . Consequently we can choose $2(m-k)$ orthonormal basis $\{e_{2k+1}, \dots, e_{2m}\}$ in M such that

$$\phi e_{2k+1} = \sqrt{a}e_{m+k+1}, \dots, \phi e_{m+k} = \sqrt{a}e_{2m}.$$

Then with respect to the orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_{2m}\}$, the tensors g and ϕ have the components:

$$(3.1) \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} E_k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & E_{m-k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & E_{m-k} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_k & 0 & 0 \\ -E_k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{a}E_{m-k} \\ 0 & 0 & -\sqrt{a}E_{m-k} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We call such a frame an adapted frame of the $\phi(1, a)$ -structure. Now take another adapted frame $\{\bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_{2m}\}$ with respect to which the metric g and the structure tensor ϕ have the same components as (3.1). If we put

$$\bar{e}_i = T_i^j e_j \quad (1 \leq i, j \leq n)$$

then we can easily find that the orthogonal matrix T has the form

$$(3.2) \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} A_k & B_k & 0 & 0 \\ -B_k & A_k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & C_{m-k} & D_{m-k} \\ 0 & 0 & -D_{m-k} & C_{m-k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus the structure group of tangent bundle of the manifold M^n can be reduced to $U(k) \times U(m-k)$. Conversely, if the group of tangent bundle of the manifold M^n can be reduced to $U(k) \times U(m-k)$, then we can define a positive definite Riemannian metric g and the tensor ϕ of type

(1.1) as tensor having (3.1) as components with respect to the adapted frames. Then we have

$$(3.3) \quad \phi^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -E_k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -E_k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -aE_{m-k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -aE_{m-k} \end{pmatrix}$$

and it is easily verified that $(\phi^2 + 1)(\phi^2 + a) = 0$. From this we have

THEOREM 3.1. *A necessary and sufficient condition for an n -dimensional manifold admit a tensor field ϕ of type (1,1) defining a $\phi(1, a)$ -structure is that the group of tangent bundle of the reduced to the group $U(k) \times U(m - k)$.*

IV. Generalization

In this section, we study to generalize the $\phi(1, a)$ -structure. Let M^n be a differentiable manifold of class C^∞ and let there be given a tensor field ϕ of type (1,1) such that

$$(4.1) \quad (\phi^2 + a_1)(\phi^2 + a_2) \cdots (\phi^2 + a_k) = 0$$

where a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k are distinct positive real numbers. For a manifold M^n with a structure which satisfies such condition we say that it admits a $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure. Let

$$(4.2) \quad l_i = t_i(\phi^2 + a_1) \cdots (\phi^2 + a_{i-1})(\phi^2 + a_{i+1}) \cdots (\phi^2 + a_k),$$

$$(i = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

where

$$(4.3) \quad t_i = \frac{1}{(a_1 - a_i) \cdots (a_{i-1} - a_i)(a_{i+1} - a_i) \cdots (a_k - a_i)}$$

Then we have

$$(4.4) \quad l_i^2 = l_i, \quad l_i l_j = l_j l_i = 0 \quad (i \neq j)$$

$$l_i + l_2 + \cdots + l_k = 1$$

From (4.4) we see that the operators l_1, l_2, \dots, l_k acting to the tangent space at each point of M^n are complementary projection operators. Then there exist the complementary distributions L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k corresponding to the operators l_1, l_2, \dots, l_k , respectively.

THEOREM 4.1. *A differentiable manifold M^n with $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure is of even dimensional.*

Proof. Let p be a point of M^n . From (4.1) and (4.2) we get

$$(4.5) \quad \phi^2 l_i = -a_i l_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

If we put $\phi = \sqrt{a_i} \phi_i$ in the distribution L_i , then we get $\phi_i^2 = -1$ and there exists an almost complex structure ϕ_i in $(L_i)_p$. Thus $(L_i)_p$ is of even dimensional and denote by $\dim L_i = 2r_i$. Hence we have

$$n = 2r_1 + 2r_2 + \dots + 2r_k = 2m.$$

Next, we can introduce a positive definite Riemannian metric in M^n with $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure with respect to which L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k are mutually orthogonal such that

$$(4.6) \quad g(X, Y) = g_1(X, Y) + g_2(X, Y) + \dots + g_k(X, Y),$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M^n , where we put

$$(4.7) \quad g_i(X, Y) = g(l_i X, l_i Y), \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, k).$$

For any vector fields X and Y on M^n , we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(\phi l_i X, \phi l_i Y) &= g_i(\phi X, \phi Y) = g_i(\sqrt{a_i} \phi_i X, \sqrt{a_i} \phi_i Y) \\ &= a_i g_i(\phi_i X, \phi_i Y) = a_i g_i(X, Y), \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$(4.8) \quad g_i(\phi X, \phi Y) = a_i g_i(X, Y),$$

$$(4.9) \quad \begin{aligned} g(\phi X, \phi Y) &= a_1 g_1(X, Y) + a_2 g_2(X, Y) + \dots + \\ &\dots + a_k g_k(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

From (4.8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_i g_i(\phi X, Y) &= g_i(\phi^2 X, \phi Y) \\ &= g_i(-a_i X, \phi Y) \\ &= -a_i g_i(X, \phi Y). \end{aligned}$$

Since a_i is a positive real, we have

$$g_i(\phi X, Y) = -g_i(X, \phi Y),$$

from which

$$(4.10) \quad g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y).$$

THEOREM 4.2. Let M^n be a manifold with $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure. Then there exists a positive definite Riemannian metric g with respect to which L_1, L_2, \dots, L_k are mutually orthogonal such that

$$g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y)$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M^n .

Next, take a vector e_i in L_i , then ϕe_i is also in L_i and perpendicular to e_i , and ϕe_i has the same length as $\sqrt{a_i}e_i$ with respect to g . Consequently, we can choose $2r_i (= \dim L_i)$ orthogonal basis $\{e_{i1}, \dots, e_{i2r_i}\}$ in L_i such that

$$\phi e_{i1} = \sqrt{a_i}e_{i r_i + 1}, \dots, \phi e_{i r_i} = \sqrt{a_i}e_{i 2r_i}.$$

Then, with respect to the orthonormal basis $\{e_{11}, \dots, e_{1r_1}, \dots, e_{k1}, \dots, e_{k2r_k}\}$ the tensor g and ϕ have the components:

$$(4.11) \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} E_{r_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_{r_1} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & E_{r_k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & E_{r_k} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{a_i}E_{r_1} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{a_i}E_{r_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \sqrt{a_k}E_{r_k} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -\sqrt{a_k}E_{r_k} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We call such a frame an adapted frame of $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure. Let $\{\bar{e}_i\}$ be another adapted frame in which g and ϕ have the same components as (4.11) and (4.12) respectively. Put

$$\bar{e}_i = T_i^j e_j,$$

then orthogonal matrix T has the form:

$$(4.13) \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} A_{r_1} & B_{r_1} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ -B_{r_1} & A_{r_1} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & C_{r_k} & D_{r_k} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -D_{r_k} & C_{r_k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus the structure group of tangent bundle of the manifold M^n can be reduced to $U(r_1) \times U(r_2) \times \dots \times U(r_k)$. Conversely, if the structure group of the tangent bundle of the manifold M^n can be reduced to $U(r_1) \times U(r_2) \times \dots \times U(r_k)$, then we can define a positive definite Riemannian metric g and a $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure with matrices (4.11) and (4.12) with respect to the adapted frame. Then we have

$$(4.14) \quad \phi^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1 E_{r_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -a_1 E_{r_1} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -a_k E_{r_k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -a_k E_{r_k} \end{pmatrix}$$

and it is easily verified that $(\phi^2 + a_1)(\phi^2 + a_2) \dots (\phi^2 + a_k) = 0$. Thus we have

THEOREM 4.3. *A necessary and sufficient condition for an n -dimensional manifold to admit a $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure is that the group of the tangent bundle be reduced the group $U(r_1) \times U(r_2) \times \dots \times U(r_k)$, where $n = 2r_1 + 2r_2 + \dots + 2r_k$.*

EXAMPLE. Let CP^{r_i} be the complex projective space of $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} = r_i$. Then $M = CP^{r_1} \times \dots \times CP^{r_k}$ admits a $\phi(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$ -structure.

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