

## GEOMETRY OF SCREEN CONFORMAL REAL HALF LIGHTLIKE SUBMANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we study the geometry of real half lightlike submanifolds of an indefinite Kaehler manifold. The main result is a characterization theorem for screen conformal real half lightlike submanifolds of an indefinite complex space form.

### 1. Introduction

It is well known that the radical distribution  $\text{Rad}(TM) = TM \cap TM^\perp$  of the lightlike submanifolds  $M$  of a semi-Rimannian manifold  $(\bar{M}, \bar{g})$  of codimension 2 is a vector subbundle of the tangent bundle  $TM$  and the normal bundle  $TM^\perp$ , of rank 1 or 2. The codimension 2 lightlike submanifold  $(M, g)$  is called a *half lightlike submanifold* if  $\text{rank}(\text{Rad}(TM)) = 1$ . In this case, there exists two complementary non-degenerate distributions  $S(TM)$  and  $S(TM^\perp)$  of  $\text{Rad}(TM)$  in  $TM$  and  $TM^\perp$  respectively, called the *screen* and *co-screen distribution* on  $M$ . Then we have the following two orthogonal decompositions

$$(1.1) \quad TM = \text{Rad}(TM) \oplus_{\text{orth}} S(TM), \quad TM^\perp = \text{Rad}(TM) \oplus_{\text{orth}} S(TM^\perp),$$

where the symbol  $\oplus_{\text{orth}}$  denotes the orthogonal direct sum. We denote such a half lightlike submanifold by  $(M, g, S(TM))$ . Denote by  $F(M)$  the algebra of smooth functions on  $M$  and by  $\Gamma(E)$  the  $F(M)$  module of smooth sections of a vector bundle  $E$  over  $M$ . Choose  $L \in \Gamma(S(TM^\perp))$  as a unit vector field with  $\bar{g}(L, L) = \epsilon = \pm 1$ . Consider the orthogonal complementary distribution  $S(TM)^\perp$  to  $S(TM)$  in  $TM$ . Certainly  $\xi$  and  $L$  belong to  $\Gamma(S(TM)^\perp)$ . Hence we have the following orthogonal decomposition

$$S(TM)^\perp = S(TM^\perp) \oplus_{\text{orth}} S(TM^\perp)^\perp,$$

where  $S(TM^\perp)^\perp$  is the orthogonal complementary to  $S(TM^\perp)$  in  $S(TM)^\perp$ . We know [3] that, for any smooth null section  $\xi$  of  $\text{Rad}(TM)$  on a coordinate

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neighborhood  $\mathcal{U} \subset M$ , there exists a uniquely defined null vector field  $N \in \Gamma(\text{ltr}(TM))$  satisfying

$$(1.2) \quad \bar{g}(\xi, N) = 1, \quad \bar{g}(N, N) = \bar{g}(N, X) = \bar{g}(N, L) = 0, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(S(TM)).$$

We call  $N$ ,  $\text{ltr}(TM)$  and  $\text{tr}(TM) = S(TM^\perp) \oplus_{\text{orth}} \text{ltr}(TM)$  the *lightlike transversal vector field*, *lightlike transversal vector bundle* and *transversal vector bundle* of  $M$  with respect to the screen  $S(TM)$  respectively. Therefore the tangent bundle  $T\bar{M}$  of the ambient manifold  $\bar{M}$  is decomposed as follows:

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} T\bar{M} &= TM \oplus \text{tr}(TM) = \{\text{Rad}(TM) \oplus \text{tr}(TM)\} \oplus_{\text{orth}} S(TM) \\ &= \{\text{Rad}(TM) \oplus \text{ltr}(TM)\} \oplus_{\text{orth}} S(TM) \oplus_{\text{orth}} S(TM^\perp). \end{aligned}$$

The objective of this paper is to study the geometry of real half lightlike submanifolds of an indefinite Kaehler manifold. First of all, we prove that such a real half lightlike submanifold  $M$  is a CR lightlike submanifold (Theorem 2.1) and if the induced structure tensor  $F$  on  $M$  is parallel, then  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $M_2 \times M^\sharp$ , where  $M_2$  and  $M^\sharp$  are leaves of some integrable distributions (Theorem 2.2). Next, we prove a characterization theorem for real half lightlike submanifolds  $M$  of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$ : If  $M$  is screen conformal, then  $c = 0$  (Theorem 3.5). Using this theorem, we prove several additional theorems for screen conformal real half lightlike submanifolds  $M$  of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$ : If  $M$  is totally umbilical or an Einstein manifold, then  $M$  is Ricci flat (Theorems 4.3 and 4.4). If the conformal factor is a non-zero constant and the co-screen distribution is parallel, then  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $M'_2 \times M^{\bar{h}}$ , where  $M'_2$  and  $M^{\bar{h}}$  are leaves of some integrable distributions of  $M$  (Theorems 4.6 and 4.7).

Let  $\bar{\nabla}$  be the Levi-Civita connection of  $\bar{M}$  and  $P$  the projection morphism of  $\Gamma(TM)$  on  $\Gamma(S(TM))$  with respect to the decomposition (1.1). Then the local Gauss and Weingarten formulas are given by

$$(1.4) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + B(X, Y)N + D(X, Y)L,$$

$$(1.5) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X N = -A_N X + \tau(X)N + \rho(X)L,$$

$$(1.6) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X L = -A_L X + \phi(X)N,$$

$$(1.7) \quad \nabla_X PY = \nabla_X^* PY + C(X, PY)\xi,$$

$$(1.8) \quad \nabla_X \xi = -A_\xi^* X - \tau(X)\xi$$

for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ , where  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^*$  are induced linear connections of  $M$  and on  $S(TM)$  respectively,  $B$  and  $D$  are called the *local second fundamental forms* of  $M$ ,  $C$  is called the *local second fundamental form* on  $S(TM)$ .  $A_N$ ,  $A_\xi^*$  and  $A_L$  are linear operators on  $TM$  and  $\tau$ ,  $\rho$  and  $\phi$  are 1-forms on  $TM$ . Since  $\bar{\nabla}$  is torsion-free,  $\nabla$  is also torsion-free and both  $B$  and  $D$  are symmetric. From the facts  $B(X, Y) = \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, \xi)$  and  $D(X, Y) = \epsilon \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, L)$ , we know that  $B$  and  $D$  are independent of the choice of a screen distribution and

$$(1.9) \quad B(X, \xi) = 0, \quad D(X, \xi) = -\epsilon \phi(X), \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM).$$

The induced connection  $\nabla$  of  $M$  is not metric and satisfies

$$(1.10) \quad (\nabla_X g)(Y, Z) = B(X, Y)\eta(Z) + B(X, Z)\eta(Y)$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ , where  $\eta$  is a 1-form on  $TM$  such that

$$(1.11) \quad \eta(X) = \bar{g}(X, N), \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM).$$

But the connection  $\nabla^*$  on  $S(TM)$  is metric. Above three local second fundamental forms of  $M$  and  $S(TM)$  are related to their shape operators by

$$(1.12) \quad B(X, Y) = g(A_\xi^* X, Y), \quad \bar{g}(A_\xi^* X, N) = 0,$$

$$(1.13) \quad C(X, PY) = g(A_N X, PY), \quad \bar{g}(A_N X, N) = 0,$$

$$(1.14) \quad \epsilon D(X, PY) = g(A_L X, PY), \quad \bar{g}(A_L X, N) = \epsilon \rho(X),$$

$$(1.15) \quad \epsilon D(X, Y) = g(A_L X, Y) - \phi(X)\eta(Y), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM).$$

By (1.12) and (1.13), we show that  $A_\xi^*$  and  $A_N$  are  $\Gamma(S(TM))$ -valued shape operators related to  $B$  and  $C$  respectively and  $A_\xi^*$  is self-adjoint on  $TM$  and

$$(1.16) \quad A_\xi^* \xi = 0,$$

that is,  $\xi$  is an eigenvector field of  $A_\xi^*$  corresponding to the eigenvalue 0. But  $A_N$  and  $A_L$  are not self-adjoint on  $S(TM)$  and  $TM$  respectively.

We denote by  $\bar{R}$ ,  $R$  and  $R^*$  the curvature tensors of the Levi-Civita connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  of  $\bar{M}$ , the induced connection  $\nabla$  of  $M$  and the induced connection  $\nabla^*$  on  $S(TM)$  respectively. Using the Gauss-Weingarten equations for  $M$  and  $S(TM)$ , we obtain the Gauss-Codazzi equations for  $M$  and  $S(TM)$ :

$$(1.17) \quad \bar{g}(\bar{R}(X, Y)Z, PW) = g(R(X, Y)Z, PW) + B(X, Z)C(Y, PW) - B(Y, Z)C(X, PW) + \epsilon\{D(X, Z)D(Y, PW) - D(Y, Z)D(X, PW)\},$$

$$(1.18) \quad \bar{g}(\bar{R}(X, Y)Z, \xi) = (\nabla_X B)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y B)(X, Z) + B(Y, Z)\tau(X) - B(X, Z)\tau(Y) + D(Y, Z)\phi(X) - D(X, Z)\phi(Y),$$

$$(1.19) \quad \bar{g}(\bar{R}(X, Y)Z, N) = \bar{g}(R(X, Y)Z, N) + \epsilon\{D(X, Z)\rho(Y) - D(Y, Z)\rho(X)\},$$

$$(1.20) \quad \bar{g}(\bar{R}(X, Y)\xi, N) = g(A_\xi^* X, A_N Y) - g(A_\xi^* Y, A_N X) - 2d\tau(X, Y) + \rho(X)\phi(Y) - \rho(Y)\phi(X),$$

$$(1.21) \quad \bar{g}(R(X, Y)PZ, PW) = g(R^*(X, Y)PZ, PW) + C(X, PZ)B(Y, PW) - C(Y, PZ)B(X, PW),$$

$$(1.22) \quad g(R(X, Y)PZ, N) = (\nabla_X C)(Y, PZ) - (\nabla_Y C)(X, PZ) + C(X, PZ)\tau(Y) - C(Y, PZ)\tau(X).$$

The *Ricci tensor*, denoted by  $\bar{Ric}$ , of  $\bar{M}$  is defined by

$$(1.23) \quad \bar{Ric}(X, Y) = \text{trace}\{Z \rightarrow \bar{R}(Z, X)Y\}, \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M}).$$

In case Ricci tensor vanishes on  $\bar{M}$ , we say that  $\bar{M}$  is *Ricci flat*. If  $\dim \bar{M} > 2$  and  $\bar{Ric} = \bar{\gamma}g$ , where  $\bar{\gamma}$  is a constant, then  $\bar{M}$  is called an *Einstein manifold*. For  $\dim \bar{M} = 2$ , any  $\bar{M}$  is Einstein but  $\bar{\gamma}$  is not necessarily constant.

## 2. Real half lightlike submanifolds

Let  $\bar{M} = (\bar{M}, J, \bar{g})$  be a real  $2m$ -dimensional indefinite Kaehler manifold, where  $\bar{g}$  is a semi-Riemannian metric of index  $q = 2v$ ,  $0 < v < m$  and  $J$  is an almost complex structure on  $\bar{M}$  satisfying, for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M})$ ,

$$(2.1) \quad J^2 = -I, \quad \bar{g}(JX, JY) = \bar{g}(X, Y), \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X J)Y = 0.$$

**Definition 1.** Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a real lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . We say that  $M$  is a *CR-lightlike submanifold* [3] of  $\bar{M}$  if the following two conditions are fulfilled:

(A)  $J(\text{Rad}(TM))$  is a distribution on  $M$  such that

$$\text{Rad}(TM) \cap J(\text{Rad}(TM)) = \{0\}.$$

(B) There exist vector bundles  $H_o$  and  $H'$  over  $M$  such that

$$S(TM) = \{J(\text{Rad}(TM)) \oplus H'\} \oplus_{\text{orth}} H_o; \quad J(H_o) = H_o; \quad J(H') = K_1 \oplus_{\text{orth}} K_2,$$

where  $H_o$  is a non-degenerate almost complex distribution on  $M$ , and  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  are vector subbundles of  $\text{ltr}(TM)$  and  $S(TM^\perp)$  respectively.

An indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  is a connected indefinite Kaehler manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $c$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z &= \frac{c}{4} \{ \bar{g}(Y, Z)X - \bar{g}(X, Z)Y + \bar{g}(JY, Z)JX \\ &\quad - \bar{g}(JX, Z)JY + 2\bar{g}(X, JY)JZ \}, \quad \forall X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM). \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *Any real half lightlike submanifold  $(M, g, S(TM))$  of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$  is a CR-lightlike submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ .*

*Proof.* From the fact that  $\bar{g}(J\xi, \xi) = 0$  and  $\text{Rad}(TM) \cap J(\text{Rad}(TM)) = \{0\}$ , the vector bundle  $J(\text{Rad}(TM))$  is a subbundle of  $S(TM)$  or  $S(TM^\perp)$  of rank 1. Also, from the fact that  $\bar{g}(JN, N) = 0$  and  $\bar{g}(JN, \xi) = -\bar{g}(N, J\xi) = 0$ , the vector bundle  $J(\text{ltr}(TM))$  is also a subbundle of  $S(TM)$  or  $S(TM^\perp)$  of rank 1. Since  $J\xi$  and  $JN$  are null vector fields satisfying  $\bar{g}(J\xi, JN) = 1$  and both  $S(TM)$  and  $S(TM^\perp)$  are non-degenerate distributions, we show that  $\{J\xi, JN\} \in \Gamma(S(TM))$  or  $\{J\xi, JN\} \in \Gamma(S(TM^\perp))$ . If  $\{J\xi, JN\} \in \Gamma(S(TM^\perp))$ , as  $J(\text{Rad}(TM))$ ,  $J(\text{ltr}(TM))$  and  $S(TM^\perp)$  are non-degenerate of rank 1, we have  $J(\text{Rad}(TM)) = J(\text{ltr}(TM)) = S(TM^\perp)$ . It is a contradiction. Thus we choose a screen distribution  $S(TM)$  that contains  $J(\text{Rad}(TM))$  and  $J(\text{ltr}(TM))$ . For  $L \in \Gamma(S(TM^\perp))$ , as  $\bar{g}(JL, L) = 0$ ,  $\bar{g}(JL, \xi) = -\bar{g}(L, J\xi) = 0$

and  $\bar{g}(JL, N) = -\bar{g}(L, JN) = 0$ ,  $J(S(TM^\perp))$  is also a vector subbundle of  $S(TM)$  such that

$$J(S(TM^\perp)) \oplus_{\text{orth}} \{J(\text{Rad}(TM)) \oplus J(\text{ltr}(TM))\}.$$

We choose  $S(TM)$  to contain  $J(S(TM^\perp))$  too. Thus the screen distribution  $S(TM)$  is expressed as follow:

$$(2.3) \quad S(TM) = \{J(\text{Rad}(TM)) \oplus J(\text{ltr}(TM))\} \oplus_{\text{orth}} J(S(TM^\perp)) \oplus_{\text{orth}} H_o,$$

where  $H_o$  is a non-degenerate distribution, otherwise  $S(TM)$  would be degenerate. Moreover, by (2.3), we show that  $H_o$  is an almost complex distribution on  $M$  with respect to  $J$ , i.e.,  $J(H_o) = H_o$ . Finally, denote  $H' = J(\text{ltr}(TM)) \oplus_{\text{orth}} J(S(TM^\perp))$ . Thus (2.3) gives  $S(TM)$  as in condition (B) and  $J(H') = K_1 \oplus_{\text{orth}} K_2$ , where  $K_1 = \text{ltr}(TM)$  and  $K_2 = S(TM^\perp)$ . Hence  $M$  is a CR-lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . □

From Theorem 2.1, the general decompositions (1.1) and (1.3) reduce to

$$(2.4) \quad TM = H \oplus H', \quad T\bar{M} = H \oplus H' \oplus \text{tr}(TM),$$

where  $H$  is a 2-lightlike almost complex distribution on  $M$  such that

$$(2.5) \quad H = \text{Rad}(TM) \oplus_{\text{orth}} J(\text{Rad}(TM)) \oplus_{\text{orth}} H_o.$$

Consider the null and non-null vector fields  $\{U, V\}$  and  $W$  such that

$$(2.6) \quad U = -JN, \quad V = -J\xi, \quad W = -JL.$$

Denote by  $S$  the projection morphism of  $TM$  on  $H$ . Then, by the first equation of (2.4) [denote (2.4)-1], any vector field on  $M$  is expressed as follows:

$$(2.7) \quad X = SX + u(X)U + w(X)W, \quad JX = FX + u(X)N + w(X)L,$$

where  $u, v$  and  $w$  are 1-forms locally defined on  $M$  by

$$(2.8) \quad u(X) = g(X, V), \quad v(X) = g(X, U), \quad w(X) = \epsilon g(X, W)$$

and  $F$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$  globally defined on  $M$  by

$$FX = JSX, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM).$$

Apply  $J$  to (2.7)-2 and using (2.1) and (2.8), we have

$$(2.9) \quad F^2X = -X + u(X)U + w(X)W; \\ u(U) = w(W) = 1, \quad FU = FW = 0.$$

By using (1.9), (2.1), (2.7)-2 and (2.8) and Gauss-Weingarten equations for a half lightlike submanifold, we deduce

$$(2.10) \quad (\nabla_X u)(Y) = -u(Y)\tau(X) - w(Y)\phi(X) - B(X, FY),$$

$$(2.11) \quad (\nabla_X v)(Y) = v(Y)\tau(X) + \epsilon w(Y)\rho(X) - g(A_N X, FY),$$

$$(2.12) \quad (\nabla_X w)(Y) = -u(Y)\rho(X) - D(X, FY),$$

$$(2.13) \quad (\nabla_X F)(Y) = u(Y)A_N X + w(Y)A_L X - B(X, Y)U - D(X, Y)W.$$

Differentiating (2.6) with  $X$  and using (1.5), (1.7), (2.1) and (2.9), we have

$$(2.14) \quad B(X, U) = v(A_\xi^* X) = u(A_N X) = C(X, V);$$

$$(2.15) \quad C(X, W) = v(A_L X) = \epsilon w(A_N X) = \epsilon D(X, U);$$

$$(2.16) \quad B(X, W) = u(A_L X) = \epsilon w(A_\xi^* X) = \epsilon D(X, V);$$

$$(2.17) \quad \nabla_X U = F(A_N X) + \tau(X)U + \rho(X)W,$$

$$(2.18) \quad \nabla_X V = F(A_\xi^* X) - \tau(X)V - \epsilon \phi(X)W,$$

$$(2.19) \quad \nabla_X W = F(A_L X) + \phi(X)U.$$

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . If  $F$  is parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$ , i.e.,  $(\nabla_X F)Y = 0$  for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ , then we have*

$$(2.20) \quad B(X, Y) = u(Y)B(X, U), \quad D(X, Y) = w(Y)D(X, W),$$

$$(2.21) \quad B(X, V) = B(X, W) = C(X, U) = C(X, W) \\ = D(X, V) = D(X, U) = \phi(X) = \rho(X) = 0.$$

*Proof.* If  $F$  is parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$ , then, taking the scalar product with  $V, W, U$  and  $N$  at (2.13) by turns, we have

$$(2.22) \quad B(X, Y) = u(Y)u(A_N X) + w(Y)u(A_L X),$$

$$(2.23) \quad D(X, Y) = u(Y)w(A_N X) + w(Y)w(A_L X),$$

$$(2.24) \quad u(Y)v(A_N X) + w(Y)v(A_L X) = 0, \\ w(Y)g(A_L X, N) = 0, \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM).$$

Replace  $Y$  by  $V, U$  and  $W$  in (2.22), (2.23) and (2.24),  $Y$  by  $\xi$  in (2.23) and  $Y$  by  $W$  in the last equation, we obtain (2.21). From (2.21), (2.22) and (2.23), we have (2.20).  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . If  $F$  is parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$  on  $M$ , then the distributions  $H$  and  $H'$  are integrable and parallel with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $M_2 \times M^\sharp$ , where  $M_2$  is a leaf of  $H'$  and  $M^\sharp$  is a leaf of  $H$ .*

*Proof.* Using (1.4), (1.7), (1.12) and (2.1), we derive

$$(2.25) \quad g(\nabla_X \xi, V) = -B(X, V), \quad g(\nabla_X \xi, W) = -B(X, W), \\ g(\nabla_X V, V) = 0, \quad g(\nabla_X V, W) = -\phi(X), \\ g(\nabla_X Y, V) = B(X, JY), \quad g(\nabla_X Y, W) = \epsilon D(X, JY)$$

for any  $X \in \Gamma(H)$  and  $Y \in \Gamma(H_o)$ . Since  $F$  is parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$ , we have  $B(X, V) = B(X, W) = \phi(X) = 0$ . Take  $Y \in \Gamma(H_o)$  in two equations of (2.20), we have  $B(X, Y) = 0$  and  $D(X, Y) = 0$  for all  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$  respectively. Thus we have  $B(X, JY) = D(X, JY) = 0$  due to  $JY \in \Gamma(H_o)$ . Thus  $H$  is integrable and parallel with respect to  $\nabla$ .

Using the Gauss-Weingarten formulas, (1.12)~(1.15) and (2.1), we derive

$$(2.26) \quad \begin{aligned} g(\nabla_Z W, N) &= \epsilon D(Z, U), & g(\nabla_Z U, N) &= C(Z, U), \\ g(\nabla_Z W, U) &= -\epsilon \rho(Z), & g(\nabla_Z U, U) &= 0, \\ g(\nabla_Z W, Y) &= -\epsilon D(Z, JY), & g(\nabla_Z U, Y) &= -C(Z, JY) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $Z \in \Gamma(H')$  and  $Y \in \Gamma(H_o)$ . Since  $F$  is parallel with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $Z = U$  or  $W$ , we have  $D(Z, U) = D(Z, JY) = C(Z, U) = C(Z, JY) = 0$  and  $\rho(Z) = 0$ . Thus the distribution  $H'$  is also integrable and parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$ . From this result, we have our theorem.  $\square$

The *type numbers*  $t_N(p)$  and  $t_L(p)$  of  $M$  at a point  $p \in M$  is the rank of the shape operators  $A_N$  and  $A_L$  at  $p$  respectively. By the equation (2.13) it follows that  $A_N X = B(X, U)U$  and  $A_L X = D(X, W)W$ . Thus we have:

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . If  $F$  is parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$  on  $M$ , then the type numbers of  $M$  satisfy  $t_N(p) \leq 1$  and  $t_L(p) \leq 1$  for any  $p \in M$ .*

### 3. Screen conformal half lightlike submanifolds

A half lightlike submanifold  $(M, g, S(TM))$  of a semi-Riemannian manifold  $(\bar{M}, \bar{g})$  is *screen conformal* [1] if the shape operators  $A_N$  and  $A_\xi^*$  of  $M$  and  $S(TM)$  respectively are related by  $A_N = \varphi A_\xi^*$ , or equivalently

$$(3.1) \quad C(X, PY) = \varphi B(X, Y), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM),$$

where  $\varphi$  is a non-vanishing smooth function on a neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  in  $M$ . In particular, if  $\varphi$  is a non-zero constant,  $M$  is called *screen homothetic* [4].

**Note 1.** For a screen conformal half lightlike submanifold  $M$ , the second fundamental form  $C$  is symmetric on  $S(TM)$ . Thus  $S(TM)$  is an integrable distribution and  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $L_\xi \times M^*$  where  $L_\xi$  is a null curve tangent to  $\text{Rad}(TM)$  and  $M^*$  is a leaf of  $S(TM)$  [3].

From (2.14), (2.15), (2.16) and (3.1), we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad h(X, U - \varphi V) = 0, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM),$$

where  $h(X, Y) = B(X, Y)N + D(X, Y)L$  is the global second fundamental form tensor of  $M$ . Thus we have:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . Then the non-null vector field  $U - \varphi V \neq 0$  is conjugate to any vector field on  $M$ . In particular,  $U - \varphi V$  is an asymptotic vector field.*

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . Then the second fundamental form  $h$  on  $M$  (consequently,  $C$  on  $S(TM)$ ) is degenerate on  $S(TM)$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $h(X, U - \varphi V) = 0$  for all  $X \in \Gamma(S(TM))$  and  $U - \varphi V \in \Gamma(S(TM))$ , the second fundamental form tensor  $h$  is degenerate on  $S(TM)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . If  $M$  is totally umbilical, then  $M$  and  $S(TM)$  are totally geodesic.*

*Proof.* If  $M$  is totally umbilical, then there exists a smooth transversal vector field  $\mathcal{H} \in \Gamma(\text{tr}(TM))$  such that

$$h(X, Y) = \mathcal{H}g(X, Y), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM).$$

From this fact and the equation (3.2), we have

$$\mathcal{H}g(X, U - \varphi V) = 0, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM).$$

Replace  $X$  by  $V$  in this equation, we have  $\mathcal{H} = 0$ . Thus  $h = 0$ . It follows that  $B = D = 0$  and  $C = 0$ . Consequently,  $M$  and  $S(TM)$  are totally geodesic.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real totally umbilical half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . Then  $H$  is an integrable and parallel distribution with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $L_u \times L_w \times M^\sharp$ , where  $L_u$  and  $L_w$  are null and non-null curves tangent to  $J(\text{tr}(TM))$  and  $J(S(TM^\perp))$  respectively and  $M^\sharp$  is a leaf of  $H$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $M$  is totally umbilical, both  $M$  and  $S(TM)$  are totally geodesic and  $B = D = C = \phi = 0$ . All equations of (2.25) are zero. Thus  $H$  is an integrable and parallel distribution with respect to  $\nabla$ . Also,  $J(\text{tr}(TM))$  and  $J(S(TM^\perp))$  are integrable distributions. Thus we have our theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real totally umbilical half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $\bar{M}$ . If  $U$  or  $W$  is parallel with respect to the induced connection  $\nabla$  on  $M$ , then the distributions  $H$  and  $H'$  are integrable and parallel with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $M_2 \times M^\sharp$ , where  $M_2$  is a leaf of  $H'$  and  $M^\sharp$  is a leaf of  $H$ .*

*Proof.* As  $M$  is totally umbilical,  $M$  and  $S(TM)$  are totally geodesic and all of (2.25) and (2.26) are zero except only  $g(\nabla_Z JL, JN) = -\epsilon \rho(Z)$ . If  $U$  is parallel, applying  $J$  to (2.17) and using (2.6) and (2.9), we obtain

$$A_N X = u(A_N X)U + w(A_N X)W; \quad \tau(X) = \rho(X) = 0, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM).$$

If  $W$  is parallel, applying  $J$  to (2.19) and by using (2.6) and (2.9), we obtain

$$A_L X = u(A_L X)U + w(A_L X)W; \quad \phi(X) = 0, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM).$$

From the last equation, we have  $\rho(X) = \epsilon g(A_L X, N) = 0$ . Thus  $H$  and  $H'$  are integrable and parallel distributions on  $M$ . We have our theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$ . Then we have  $c = 0$ .*



*Proof.* By using (1.18) and (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{c}{4}\{u(X)\bar{g}(JY, Z) - u(Y)\bar{g}(JX, Z) + 2u(Z)\bar{g}(X, JY)\} \\ &= (\nabla_X B)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y B)(X, Z) + B(Y, Z)\tau(X) \\ & \quad - B(X, Z)\tau(Y) + D(Y, Z)\phi(X) - D(X, Z)\phi(Y) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Using this, (1.19), (1.22) and (3.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{c}{4}\{g(Y, PZ)\eta(X) - g(X, PZ)\eta(Y) + v(X)\bar{g}(JY, PZ) \\ & \quad - v(Y)\bar{g}(JX, PZ) + 2v(PZ)\bar{g}(X, JY)\} \\ &= \{X[\varphi] - 2\varphi\tau(X)\}B(Y, PZ) - \{Y[\varphi] - 2\varphi\tau(Y)\}B(X, PZ) \\ & \quad + \{\varphi\phi(Y) + \epsilon\rho(Y)\}D(X, PZ) - \{\varphi\phi(X) + \epsilon\rho(X)\}D(Y, PZ) \\ & \quad + \frac{c}{4}\varphi\{u(X)\bar{g}(JY, PZ) - u(Y)\bar{g}(JX, PZ) + 2u(PZ)\bar{g}(X, JY)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $PZ$  by  $\mu$  in the last equation and using (3.2), we obtain

$$\frac{c}{2}\{2\varphi g(X, JY) + (v(X) - \varphi u(X))\eta(Y) - (v(Y) - \varphi u(Y))\eta(X)\} = 0.$$

Taking  $X = V, Y = \xi$  in this equation, we obtain  $c = 0$ . □

**Corollary 2.** *There exist no screen conformal real half lightlike submanifolds  $M$  of indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  with  $c \neq 0$ .*

#### 4. Induced Ricci curvatures

Let  $R^{(0,2)}$  denote the induced Ricci type tensor of  $M$  given by

$$(4.1) \quad R^{(0,2)}(X, Y) = \text{trace}\{Z \rightarrow R(Z, X)Y\}$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Substituting the Gauss-Codazzi equations (1.17) and (1.19) in (1.23), then, using the relations (1.12)~(1.15), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R^{(0,2)}(X, Y) &= \bar{R}ic(X, Y) + B(X, Y)\text{tr}A_N + D(X, Y)\text{tr}A_L \\ & \quad - g(A_N X, A_\xi^* Y) - \epsilon g(A_L X, A_L Y) + \rho(X)\phi(Y) \\ & \quad - \bar{g}(\bar{R}(\xi, Y)X, N) - \epsilon \bar{g}(\bar{R}(L, Y)X, L). \end{aligned}$$

A tensor field  $R^{(0,2)}$  of  $M$  is called its *induced Ricci tensor* if it is symmetric. In the sequel, a symmetric  $R^{(0,2)}$  tensor will be denoted by *Ric*.

If  $\bar{M}$  is an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$ , using (2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4.2) \quad R^{(0,2)}(X, Y) &= \frac{c}{4}\{(2m + 1)g(X, Y) - u(X)v(Y) - 2v(X)u(Y)\} \\ & \quad + B(X, Y)\text{tr}A_N + D(X, Y)\text{tr}A_L - g(A_N X, A_\xi^* Y) \\ & \quad - \epsilon g(A_L X, A_L Y) + \rho(X)\phi(Y). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if  $M$  is a screen conformal, then (4.2) reduces to

$$(4.3) \quad R^{(0,2)}(X, Y) = \varphi\{B(X, Y)\text{tr}A_\xi^* - g(A_\xi^* X, A_\xi^* Y)\}$$

$$+ D(X, Y)\text{tr}A_L - \varepsilon g(A_L X, A_L Y) + \rho(X)\phi(Y).$$

From (1.20) and (4.3), we have the following assertions:

**Theorem 4.1.** *For a screen conformal half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$ , the following assertions are equivalent;*

- (1) *The Ricci type tensor  $R^{(0,2)}$  is a symmetric Ricci tensor.*
- (2) *each 1-form  $\tau$  is closed, i.e.,  $d\tau = 0$  on any  $\mathcal{U} \subset M$ .*
- (3)  *$\rho(X)\phi(Y) = \rho(Y)\phi(X)$  for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ .*

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  with a parallel co-screen distribution. Then  $R^{(0,2)}$  is a symmetric Ricci tensor and*

$$(4.4) \quad R^{(0,2)}(X, Y) = \varphi\{B(X, Y)\text{tr}A_\xi^* - g(A_\xi^* X, A_\xi^* Y)\}.$$

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$ . If  $M$  is totally umbilical, then  $M$  is Ricci flat.*

*Proof.* From Theorem 3.2,  $M$  is totally geodesic. Thus, from (1.12) and (1.14), we have  $B = D = A_\xi^* = \phi = 0$  and  $A_L X = \varepsilon\rho(X)\xi$ . Therefore, using (4.3), we obtain  $R^{(0,2)}(X, Y) = 0$  and  $R^{(0,2)} = Ric$ .  $\square$

As  $\{U, V\}$  is a basis of  $\Gamma(J(\text{Rad}(TM)) \oplus J(\text{ltr}(TM)))$ , the vector fields

$$(4.5) \quad \mu = U - \varphi V, \quad \nu = U + \varphi V$$

form also a basis of  $\Gamma(J(\text{Rad}(TM)) \oplus J(\text{ltr}(TM)))$ . From (3.2), we have

$$(4.6) \quad g(A_\xi^* \mu, X) = 0, \quad g(A_\xi^* \mu, N) = 0, \quad A_\xi^* \mu = 0,$$

$$(4.7) \quad g(A_L \mu, X) = 0, \quad g(A_L \mu, N) = \varepsilon\rho(\mu), \quad A_L \mu = \varepsilon\rho(\mu)\xi,$$

due to  $\phi(\mu) = -\varepsilon D(\mu, \xi) = 0$ . Thus  $\mu$  is an eigenvector field of  $A_\xi^*$  on  $S(TM)$  corresponding to the eigenvalue 0. From (2.15), (3.1), (4.5) and the linearity of  $F$ , for all  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ , we have

$$(4.8) \quad \nabla_X \mu = \tau(X)\nu - X[\varphi]V + (\rho + \varepsilon\varphi\phi)(X)W,$$

$$(4.9) \quad \nabla_X \nu = 2F(A_N X) + \tau(X)\mu + X[\varphi]V + (\rho - \varepsilon\varphi\phi)(X)W.$$

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  with a symmetric Ricci tensor. If  $M$  is an Einstein manifold, then  $M$  is Ricci flat.*

*Proof.* If  $M$  is a screen conformal real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  with a symmetric Ricci tensor, then  $c = 0$  and  $R^{(0,2)} = Ric$ . Let  $M$  be an Einstein manifold, that is,  $R^{(0,2)} = \gamma g$ . Replacing  $X$  and  $Y$  by  $V$  and  $\mu$  in (4.3) respectively and using (4.6) and (4.7), we obtain  $\gamma = 0$ . Thus  $M$  is Ricci flat.  $\square$

**Note 2.** Suppose  $R^{(0,2)}$  is symmetric, since  $d\tau = 0$ , there exists a pair  $\{\xi, N\}$  on  $\mathcal{U}$  such that the corresponding 1-form  $\tau$  vanishes. We call such a pair the *distinguished null pair* of  $M$ .

Although  $S(TM)$  is not unique, it is canonically isomorphic to the factor vector bundle  $TM^* = TM/\text{Rad } TM$  considered by Kupeli [7]. Thus all  $S(TM)$  are isomorphic. For this reason, we consider only screen homothetic real half lightlike submanifolds equipped with the distinguished null pairs.

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a half lightlike submanifolds of a semi-Remanning manifold  $(\bar{M}, \bar{g})$ . Then the co-screen distribution  $S(TM^\perp)$  is parallel with respect to the connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  if and only if  $A_L = 0$  on  $\Gamma(TM)$ .*

*Proof.* If the co-screen distribution  $S(TM^\perp)$  is parallel with respect to the connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ , then, from (1.6), we have  $A_L X = \phi(X)N$  for all  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Taking the scalar product with  $\xi$  and  $N$  to this equation, we obtain  $\phi = 0$  and  $\rho = 0$  respectively. Consequently, we obtain  $A_L = 0$  and  $D = 0$ . Conversely, if  $A_L X = 0$  for all  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ , then, from (1.14), we have  $D = \rho = 0$ . From (1.9), we obtain  $\phi = 0$ . Thus  $L$  is parallel with respect to the connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen homothetic real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  with a parallel co-screen distribution. Then  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $M'_2 \times M^h$ , where  $M'_2$  and  $M^h$  are some leaves of integrable distributions of  $M$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{H}' = \text{Span}\{\mu, W\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{H} = H_o \oplus_{\text{orth}} \text{Span}\{\xi, \nu\}$  is a complementary subbundle to  $\mathcal{H}'$  in  $TM$  and we have the decomposition

$$(4.10) \quad TM = \mathcal{H}' \oplus_{\text{orth}} \mathcal{H}.$$

Using (1.8), (2.19), (4.8) and (4.9), for  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{H})$  and  $Y \in \Gamma(H_o)$ , we derive

$$(4.11) \quad \begin{aligned} g(\nabla_X Y, \mu) &= 0, & g(\nabla_X Y, W) &= -g(F(A_L X), Y), \\ g(\nabla_X \nu, \mu) &= X[\varphi] - 2\varphi\tau(X), & g(\nabla_X \nu, W) &= (\epsilon\rho - \varphi\phi)(X), \\ g(\nabla_X \xi, \mu) &= -B(X, \mu) = 0, & g(\nabla_X \xi, W) &= -B(X, W). \end{aligned}$$

If  $L$  is parallel, then we have  $A_L = D = \phi = \rho = 0$ . From (2.16), we get  $B(X, W) = 0$ . Thus all of the equation (4.11) are 0. Thus  $\mathcal{H}$  is parallel with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  is an integrable distribution.

Also, using (2.19) and (4.9), for  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{H}')$  and  $Y \in \Gamma(H_o)$ , we derive

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{aligned} g(\nabla_X \mu, \xi) &= 0, & g(\nabla_X W, \xi) &= 0, \\ g(\nabla_X \mu, \nu) &= -X[\varphi] + 2\varphi\tau(X), & g(\nabla_X W, \nu) &= -(\epsilon\rho - \varphi\phi)(X), \\ g(\nabla_X \mu, Y) &= 0, & g(\nabla_X W, Y) &= g(F(A_L X), Y). \end{aligned}$$

If  $L$  is parallel, then all of the equation (4.12) are 0. Thus  $\mathcal{H}'$  is parallel with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $\mathcal{H}'$  is an integrable distribution. Thus we have our theorem.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{H}' = \text{Span}\{\mu, W\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{G} = H_o \oplus_{\text{orth}} \text{Span}\{\nu\}$  is a complementary vector subbundle to  $\mathcal{G}$  in  $S(TM)$ . From (4.11) and (4.12), we show the distributions  $\mathcal{H}'$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are integrable and we have the following decomposition

$$(4.13) \quad S(TM) = \mathcal{H}' \oplus_{\text{orth}} \mathcal{G}.$$

**Theorem 4.7.** *Let  $(M, g, S(TM))$  be a screen homothetic Einstein real half lightlike submanifold of an indefinite complex space form  $\bar{M}(c)$  of index 2. If the co-screen  $S(TM^\perp)$  is a parallel distribution, then  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $L_\xi \times M'_2 \times M^B$  or  $L_\xi \times M'_2 \times (M^B = L_\alpha \times M^0)$ , where  $L_\xi$  and  $L_\alpha$  are null and spacelike curve,  $M'_2$  is a hyperbolic plane, and both  $M^B$  and  $M^0$  are Euclidean spaces.*

*Proof.* By Theorem 4.4 and the equation (4.4), we have

$$(4.14) \quad g(A_\xi^* X, A_\xi^* Y) - \text{tr} A_\xi^* g(A_\xi^* X, Y) = 0.$$

From (1.12) and (2.16), we obtain  $A_\xi^* W = 0$ . Thus  $\xi, \mu$  and  $W$  are eigenvector fields of  $A_\xi^*$  corresponding the eigenvalue 0. Let  $\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\epsilon_1\varphi}}\{U - \varphi V\}$  where  $\epsilon_1 = \text{sgn}\varphi$ .  $\mu$  is a timelike vector field and  $\mathcal{G}$  is an integrable Riemannian distribution. Since  $A_\xi^*$  is  $\Gamma(\mathcal{G})$ -valued real symmetric operator due to  $g(A_\xi^* X, N) = g(A_\xi^* X, \mu) = g(A_\xi^* X, W) = 0$ ,  $A_\xi^*$  have  $(2m - 5) \equiv n$  real orthonormal eigenvector fields in  $\mathcal{G}$  and is diagonalizable. Consider a frame field of eigenvectors  $\{\mu, W, e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  of  $A_\xi^*$  on  $S(TM)$  such that  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is an orthonormal frame field of  $A_\xi^*$  on  $\mathcal{G}$ . Then  $A_\xi^* e_i = \lambda_i e_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Put  $X = Y = e_i$  in (4.14),  $\lambda_i$  is a solution of equation

$$x(x - \alpha) = 0,$$

where  $\alpha = \text{tr} A_\xi^*$ . This equation has at most two distinct solutions 0 and  $\alpha$  on  $\mathcal{U}$ . Assume that there exists  $p \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_p = 0$  and  $\lambda_{p+1} = \dots = \lambda_n = \alpha$ , by renumbering if necessary, then we have

$$\alpha = \text{tr} A_\xi^* = (n - p)\alpha.$$

If  $\alpha = 0$ , then  $A_\xi^* X = 0$  for all  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Thus  $M$  is a totally geodesic and  $S(TM)$  is also totally geodesic. From (1.17) and (1.21), we have  $R^*(X, Y)Z = \bar{R}(X, Y)Z = 0$  for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(S(TM))$ . Thus  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $L_\xi \times (M^* = M'_2 \times M^B)$ , where  $L_\xi$  is a null curve tangent to  $\text{Rad}(TM)$ , the leaf  $M^*$  of  $S(TM)$  is a Minkowski space,  $M'_2$  is a hyperbolic plane and  $M^B$  is a Riemannian manifold. Since  $\nabla_X \mu = \nabla_X W = 0$  and  $g(\nabla_X^* Y, \mu) = g(\nabla_X^* Y, W) = 0$  for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(S(TM))$ , we have  $\nabla_X^* Y \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G})$  and  $R^*(X, Y)Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G})$ . This imply  $\nabla_X^* Y = Q(\nabla_X^* Y)$ , that is,  $M^B$  is a totally geodesic and  $R^*(X, Y)Z = Q(R^*(X, Y)Z) = 0$ , where  $Q$  is a projection morphism of  $S(TM)$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  with respect to the decomposition (4.13). Thus  $M^B$  is a Euclidean space.

If  $\alpha \neq 0$ , then  $p = n - 1$ , i.e.,

$$(4.15) \quad A_\xi^* = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & \alpha \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider the following two distributions  $E_0$  and  $E_\alpha$  on  $\mathcal{G}$ ;

$$\Gamma(E_0) = \{X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G}) \mid A_\xi^* X = 0\}, \quad \Gamma(E_\alpha) = \{X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G}) \mid A_\xi^* X = \alpha X\}.$$

From (4.15), we know that the distributions  $E_0$  and  $E_\alpha$  are mutually orthogonal non-degenerate subbundle of  $\mathcal{G}$ , of rank  $(n - 1)$  and  $1$  respectively, satisfy  $\mathcal{G} = E_0 \oplus_{\text{orth}} E_\alpha$ . From (4.14), we get  $A_\xi^*(A_\xi^* - \alpha Q) = 0$ . Using this equation, we have  $\text{Im} A_\xi^* \subset \Gamma(E_\alpha)$  and  $\text{Im}(A_\xi^* - \alpha Q) \subset \Gamma(E_0)$ . For any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(E_0)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G})$ , we get  $(\nabla_X B)(Y, Z) = -g(A_\xi^* \nabla_X Y, Z)$ . Use this and the fact  $(\nabla_X B)(Y, Z) = (\nabla_Y B)(X, Z)$ , we have  $g(A_\xi^*[X, Y], Z) = 0$ . If we take  $Z \in \Gamma(E_\alpha)$ , since  $\text{Im} A_\xi^* \subset \Gamma(E_\alpha)$  and  $E_\alpha$  is non-degenerate, we have  $A_\xi^*[X, Y] = 0$ . Thus  $[X, Y] \in \Gamma(E_0)$  and  $E_0$  is integrable. Thus  $M$  is locally a product manifold  $L_\xi \times (M^* = M_2^* \times L_\alpha \times M^0)$ , where  $L_\alpha$  is a spacelike curve and  $M^0$  is an  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold satisfy  $A_\xi^* = 0$ . From (1.17) and (1.21), we have  $R^*(X, Y)Z = \bar{R}(X, Y)Z = 0$  for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(E_0)$ . Since  $g(\nabla_X^* Y, \mu) = g(\nabla_X^* Y, W) = 0$  and  $g(\nabla_X^* Y, e_n) = -g(Y, \nabla_X e_n) = 0$  for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(E_0)$  because  $\nabla_X e \in \Gamma(E_\alpha)$  for  $X \in \Gamma(E_0)$  and  $e \in \Gamma(E_\alpha)$ . In fact, from (1.18) such that  $D = c = \tau = 0$ , we get

$$g(\{(A_\xi^* - \alpha Q)\nabla_X e - A_\xi^* \nabla_e X\}, Z) = X[\varphi]g(e, Z)$$

for all  $X \in \Gamma(E_0)$ ,  $e \in \Gamma(E_\alpha)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{G})$ . Using the fact that  $\mathcal{G}$  is non-degenerate distribution, we have  $(A_\xi^* - \alpha Q)\nabla_X e = A_\xi^* \nabla_e X + X[\varphi]e$ . Since the left term of this equation is in  $\Gamma(E_0)$  and the right term is in  $\Gamma(E_\alpha)$  and  $E_0 \cap E_\alpha = \{0\}$ , we have  $(A_\xi^* - \alpha Q)\nabla_X e = 0$  and  $A_\xi^* \nabla_e X = -X[\varphi]e$ . This imply that  $\nabla_X e \in \Gamma(E_\alpha)$ . Thus  $\nabla_X^* Y = \pi \nabla_X^* Y$  for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(E_0)$ , where  $\pi$  is the projection morphism of  $\Gamma(S(TM))$  on  $\Gamma(E_0)$  and  $\pi \nabla^*$  is the induced connection on  $E_0$ . This imply that the leaf  $M^0$  of  $E_0$  is totally geodesic. As  $g(R^*(X, Y)Z, \mu) = g(R^*(X, Y)Z, W) = 0$  and  $g(R^*(X, Y)Z, e_n) = 0$  for all  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(E_0)$ , we have  $R^*(X, Y)Z = \pi R^*(X, Y)Z \in \Gamma(E_0)$  and the curvature tensor  $\pi R^*$  of  $E_0$  is flat. Thus  $M^0$  is a Euclidean space. □

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