

## Real Hypersurfaces in the Complex Hyperbolic Quadric with Killing Shape Operator

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ABSTRACT. We introduce the notion of Killing shape operator for real hypersurfaces in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*} = SO_{m,2}/SO_mSO_2$ . The Killing shape operator implies that the unit normal vector field  $N$  becomes  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal or  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic. Then according to each case, we give a complete classification of real hypersurfaces in  $Q^{m*} = SO_{m,2}/SO_mSO_2$  with Killing shape operator.

### 1. Introduction

As examples of some Hermitian symmetric spaces of rank 2, usually we can consider Riemannian symmetric spaces  $SU_{m+2}/S(U_2U_m)$  and  $SU_{2,m}/S(U_2U_m)$ , which are said to be complex two-plane Grassmannians and complex hyperbolic two-plane Grassmannians respectively (see [1], [2], [3], [6], [7], [8], [16], [17] and [23]). Those are said to be Hermitian symmetric spaces and quaternionic Kähler symmetric spaces equipped with the Kähler structure  $J$  and the quaternionic Kähler structure  $\mathfrak{J} = \text{Span}\{J_1, J_2, J_3\}$  on  $SU_{2,m}/S(U_2U_m)$ . The rank of  $SU_{2,m}/S(U_2U_m)$  is 2 and there are exactly two types of singular tangent vectors  $X$  of  $SU_{2,m}/S(U_2U_m)$  which are characterized by the geometric properties  $JX \in \mathfrak{J}X$  and  $JX \perp \mathfrak{J}X$  respectively.

As another example of Hermitian symmetric space with rank 2 of compact type different from the above ones, we could give a complex quadric  $Q^m =$

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$SO_{m+2}/SO_2SO_m$ , which is a complex hypersurface in complex projective space  $CP^m$  (see Reckziegel [14], Suh [19], [20], [22] and Smyth [15]). The complex quadric also can be regarded as a kind of real Grassmann manifolds of compact type with rank 2 (see Kobayashi and Nomizu [10]). Accordingly, the complex quadric admits two important geometric structures that a complex conjugation structure  $A$  and a Kähler structure  $J$ , which anti-commute with each other, that is,  $AJ = -JA$ . Then for  $m \geq 2$  the triple  $(Q^m, J, g)$  is a Hermitian symmetric space of compact type with rank 2 and its maximal sectional curvature is equal to 4 (see Klein [9] and Reckziegel [14]).

About the latter part of twentieth century, many geometers have investigated some real hypersurfaces in Hermitian symmetric spaces of rank 1 like the complex projective space  $CP^m$  or the complex hyperbolic space  $CH^m$ . For the complex projective space  $CP^m$  and the quaternionic projective space  $QP^m$  a characterization with isometric Reeb flow was obtained by Okumura [11],  $\mathcal{D}$ -parallel shape operator  $\nabla_{\mathcal{D}}A = 0$  by Pérez [12], and  $\mathcal{D}$ -parallel curvature tensor  $\nabla_{\mathcal{D}}R = 0$  by Pérez and Suh [13], respectively, where  $\mathcal{D} = \text{Span}\{\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3\}$ ,  $\xi_i = -J_iN$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ .

Now let us introduce a complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*} = SO_{m,2}^o/SO_2SO_m$ , which can be regarded as a Hermitian symmetric space with rank 2 of noncompact type. Here we consider a real hypersurface  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$  with shape operator of Codazzi type, that is,  $(\nabla_X S)Y = (\nabla_Y S)X$  for the shape operator  $S$  and any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$ . In Suh [18] we gave a non-existence property for real hypersurfaces of Codazzi type in the complex quadric  $Q^{m*}$  as follows:

**Theorem A.** *There do not exist any Hopf real hypersurfaces in complex quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , with shape operator of Codazzi type.*

Next we have considered the notion of parallel shape operator for real hypersurfaces  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$ . Usually, parallelism is naturally included in the notion of shape operator of Codazzi type. So by Theorem A we can assert the following

**Theorem B.** *There do not exist any Hopf real hypersurfaces in complex quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , with parallel shape operator.*

Apart from the complex structure  $J$  there is another distinguished geometric structure on  $Q^{m*}$ . Namely, a vector subbundle  $\mathfrak{A}_{[z]} = \{A_{\lambda\bar{z}} | \lambda \in S^1 \subset C\}$ ,  $[z] \in Q^{m*}$ , which consists of all complex conjugations defined on the complex quadric  $Q^{m*}$ . The vector bundle  $\mathfrak{A}$  contains a  $S^1$ -bundle of real structures, that is, complex conjugations  $A$  on the tangent spaces of  $Q^{m*}$  and becomes a parallel rank 2-subbundle of  $\text{End } TQ^{m*}$ . This geometric structure determines a maximal  $\mathfrak{A}$ -invariant subbundle  $\mathcal{Q}$  of the tangent bundle  $TM$  of a real hypersurface  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$ .

Recall that a nonzero tangent vector  $W \in T_z Q^{m*}$  is called singular if it is tangent to more than one maximal flat in  $Q^{m*}$ . Here maximal flat means a 2-dimensional curvature flat maximal totally geodesic submanifold in  $Q^{m*}$ . Such a maximal flat always exists, because the rank of  $Q^{m*}$  is 2. There are two types of singular tangent vectors for the complex quadric  $Q^{m*}$  as follows:

1. If there exists a conjugation  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  such that  $W \in V(A)$ , then  $W$  is singular. Such a singular tangent vector is called  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal.
2. If there exist a conjugation  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  and orthonormal vectors  $X, Y \in V(A)$  such that  $W/\|W\| = (X + JY)/\sqrt{2}$ , then  $W$  is singular. Such a singular tangent vector is called  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic.

Here we note that the unit normal  $N$  is said to be  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal if  $N$  is invariant under the complex conjugation  $A$ , that is,  $AN = N$ .

Moreover, the derivative of the complex conjugation  $A$  on  $Q^{m*}$  is defined by

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X A)Y = q(X)JAY$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$  and  $q$  denotes a certain 1-form defined on  $M$ .

Recall that a nonzero tangent vector  $W \in T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  is called singular if it is tangent to more than one maximal flat in  $Q^{m*}$ . There are two types of singular tangent vectors for the complex quadric  $Q^{m*}$ :

1. If there exists a conjugation  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  such that  $W \in V(A)$ , then  $W$  is singular. Such a singular tangent vector is called  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal.
2. If there exist a conjugation  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  and orthonormal vectors  $X, Y \in V(A)$  such that  $W/\|W\| = (X + JY)/\sqrt{2}$ , then  $W$  is singular. Such a singular tangent vector is called  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic.

The shape operator  $S$  of  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$  is said to be *Killing* if the operator  $S$  satisfies

$$(\nabla_X S)Y + (\nabla_Y S)X = 0$$

for any  $X, Y \in T_zM$ ,  $z \in M$ . The equation is equivalent to  $(\nabla_X S)X = 0$  for any  $X \in T_zM$ ,  $z \in M$ , because of linearization. Moreover, we can give the geometric meaning of Killing Jacobi tensor as follows:

When we consider a geodesic  $\gamma$  with initial conditions such that  $\gamma(0) = z$  and  $\dot{\gamma}(0) = X$ . Then the transformed vector field  $S\dot{\gamma}$  is Levi-Civita *parallel* along the geodesic  $\gamma$  of the vector field  $X$  (see Blair [5] and Tachibana [24]).

In the study of real hypersurfaces in the complex quadric  $Q^m$  we considered the notion of parallel Ricci tensor, that is,  $\nabla \text{Ric} = 0$  (see Suh [19]). But from the assumption of Ricci being parallel, it was difficult for us to derive the fact that either the unit normal  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic or  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal. So in [19] we gave a classification with the further assumption of  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic. But fortunately, when we consider Killing shape operator for real hypersurfaces in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ , first we can assert that the unit normal vector field  $N$  becomes either  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic or  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal as follows:

**Main Theorem 1.** *Let  $M$  be a Hopf real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , with Killing shape operator. Then the unit normal vector field  $N$  is singular, that is,  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic or  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal.*

Then motivated by such a result, next we give a complete classification for real hypersurfaces in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  with Killing shape operator as follows:

**Main Theorem 2.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 4$ , with Killing shape operator. Then  $M$  is locally congruent to a horosphere or has 6 distinct constant principal curvatures given by*

$$\alpha \neq 0, \beta = \gamma = 0, \lambda_1 = \frac{(\alpha^2 - 1) + \sqrt{(\alpha^2 - 1)^2 - 2\alpha^2}}{2\alpha},$$

and

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{(\alpha^2 - 1) - \sqrt{(\alpha^2 - 1)^2 - 2\alpha^2}}{2\alpha}$$

with corresponding principal curvature spaces respectively

$$T_\alpha = [\xi], T_\beta = [AN], T_\gamma = [A\xi], \phi(T_{\lambda_i}) = T_{\mu_i},$$

and

$$\dim (T_{\lambda_1} + T_{\lambda_2}) = \dim (T_{\mu_1} + T_{\mu_2}) = m - 2.$$

## 2. The Complex Hyperbolic Quadric

Let us denote by  $C_1^{m+2}$  an indefinite complex Euclidean space  $\mathbb{C}^{m+2}$ , on which the indefinite Hermitian product

$$H(z, w) = -z_1\bar{w}_1 + z_2\bar{w}_2 + \cdots + z_{n+2}\bar{w}_{n+2}$$

is negative definite.

The homogeneous quadratic equation  $z_1^2 + \cdots + z_m^2 - z_{m+1}^2 - z_{m+2}^2 = 0$  consists of the points in  $\mathbb{C}_1^{m+2}$  defines a noncompact complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{*m} = SO_{2,m}^o/SO_2SO_m$  which can be immersed in the  $(m + 1)$ -dimensional in complex hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1} = SU_{1,m+1}/S(U_{m+1}U_1)$ . The complex hypersurface  $Q^{m*}$  in  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  is known as the  $m$ -dimensional complex hyperbolic quadric. The complex structure  $J$  on  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  naturally induces a complex structure on  $Q^{*m}$  which we will denote by  $J$  as well. We equip  $Q^{m*}$  with the Riemannian metric  $g$  which is induced from the Bergerman metric on  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  with constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4. For  $m \geq 2$  the triple  $(Q^{m*}, J, g)$  is a Hermitian symmetric space of rank two and its minimal sectional curvature is equal to  $-4$ . The 1-dimensional quadric  $Q^{1*}$  is isometric to the 2-dimensional real hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{R}H^2 = SO_{1,2}^o/SO_1SO_2$ . The 2-dimensional complex quadric  $Q^{2*}$  is isometric to the Riemannian product of complex hyperbolic spaces  $\mathbb{C}H^1 \times \mathbb{C}H^1$ . We will assume  $m \geq 3$  for the main part of this paper.

For a nonzero vector  $z \in \mathbb{C}_1^{m+2}$  we denote by  $[z]$  the complex span of  $z$ , that is,  $[z] = \{\lambda z \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{C}\}$ . Note that by definition  $[z]$  is a point in  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$ . As usual,

for each  $[z] \in \mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  we identify  $T_{[z]}\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  with the orthogonal complement  $\mathbb{C}_1^{m+2} \ominus [z]$  of  $[z]$  in  $\mathbb{C}_1^{m+2}$ . For  $[z] \in Q^{m*}$  the tangent space  $T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  can then be identified canonically with the orthogonal complement  $\mathbb{C}_1^{m+2} \ominus ([z] \oplus [\bar{z}])$  of  $[z] \oplus [\bar{z}]$  in  $\mathbb{C}_1^{m+2}$ . Note that  $\bar{z} \in \nu_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  is a unit normal vector of  $Q^{m*}$  in  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  at the point  $[z]$ .

We denote by  $A_{\bar{z}}$  the shape operator of  $Q^{m*}$  in  $\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  with respect to  $\bar{z}$ . Then we have  $A_{\bar{z}}w = \bar{w}$  for all  $w \in T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$ , that is,  $A_{\bar{z}}$  is just complex conjugation restricted to  $T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$ . The shape operator  $A_{\bar{z}}$  is an antilinear involution on the complex vector space  $T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  and

$$T_{[z]}Q^{m*} = V(A_{\bar{z}}) \oplus JV(A_{\bar{z}}),$$

where  $V(A_{\bar{z}}) = \mathbb{R}_1^{m+2} \cap T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  is the (+1)-eigenspace and  $JV(A_{\bar{z}}) = i\mathbb{R}_1^{m+2} \cap T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  is the (-1)-eigenspace of  $A_{\bar{z}}$ . Geometrically this means that the shape operator  $A_{\bar{z}}$  defines a real structure on the complex vector space  $T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$ . Recall that a real structure on a complex vector space  $V$  is by definition an antilinear involution  $A : V \rightarrow V$ . Since the normal space  $\nu_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  of  $Q^{m*}$  in  $\mathbb{C}H_1^{m+1}$  at  $[z]$  is a complex subspace of  $T_{[z]}\mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  of complex dimension one, every normal vector in  $\nu_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  can be written as  $\lambda\bar{z}$  with some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . The shape operators  $A_{\lambda\bar{z}}$  of  $Q^{m*}$  define a rank two vector subbundle  $\mathfrak{A}$  of the endomorphism bundle  $\text{End}(TQ^{m*})$ . Since the second fundamental form of the embedding  $Q^{m*} \subset \mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  is parallel (see e.g. [15]),  $\mathfrak{A}$  is a parallel subbundle of  $\text{End}(TQ^{m*})$ . For  $\lambda \in S^1 \subset \mathbb{C}$  we again get a real structure  $A_{\lambda\bar{z}}$  on  $T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  and we have  $V(A_{\lambda\bar{z}}) = \lambda V(A_{\bar{z}})$ . We thus have an  $S^1$ -subbundle of  $\mathfrak{A}$  consisting of real structures on the tangent spaces of  $Q^{m*}$ .

The Gauss equation for the complex hypersurface  $Q^{m*} \subset \mathbb{C}H^{m+1}$  implies that the Riemannian curvature tensor  $\bar{R}$  of  $Q^{m*}$  can be expressed in terms of the Riemannian metric  $g$ , the complex structure  $J$  and a generic real structure  $A$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z &= -g(Y, Z)X + g(X, Z)Y \\ &\quad - g(JY, Z)JX + g(JX, Z)JY + 2g(JX, Y)JZ \\ &\quad - g(AY, Z)AX + g(AX, Z)AY \\ &\quad - g(JAY, Z)JAX + g(JAX, Z)JAY. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the complex structure  $J$  anti-commutes with each endomorphism  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$ , that is,  $AJ = -JA$ .

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- (i) If there exists a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$  such that  $W \in V(A)$ , then  $W$  is singular. Such a singular tangent vector is called  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal.
- (ii) If there exist a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$  and orthonormal vectors  $X, Y \in V(A)$  such that  $W/\|W\| = (X + JY)/\sqrt{2}$ , then  $W$  is singular. Such a singular tangent vector is called  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic.

Basic complex linear algebra shows that for every unit tangent vector  $W \in T_{[z]}Q^{m*}$  there exist a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$  and orthonormal vectors  $X, Y \in V(A)$  such that

$$W = \cos(t)X + \sin(t)JY$$

for some  $t \in [0, \pi/4]$ . The singular tangent vectors correspond to the values  $t = 0$  and  $t = \pi/4$ .

Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in  $Q^{m*}$  and denote by  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  the induced almost contact metric structure on  $M$  and by  $\nabla$  the induced Riemannian connection on  $M$ . Note that  $\xi = -JN$ , where  $N$  is a (local) unit normal vector field of  $M$ . The vector field  $\xi$  is known as the Reeb vector field of  $M$ . If the integral curves of  $\xi$  are geodesics in  $M$ , the hypersurface  $M$  is called a Hopf hypersurface. The integral curves of  $\xi$  are geodesics in  $M$  if and only if  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector of  $M$  everywhere. The tangent bundle  $TM$  of  $M$  splits orthogonally into  $TM = \mathcal{C} \oplus \mathcal{F}$ , where  $\mathcal{C} = \ker(\eta)$  is the maximal complex subbundle of  $TM$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}\xi$ . The structure tensor field  $\phi$  restricted to  $\mathcal{C}$  coincides with the complex structure  $J$  restricted to  $\mathcal{C}$ , and we have  $\phi\xi = 0$ . We denote by  $\nu M$  the normal bundle of  $M$ .

We first introduce some notations. For a fixed real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$  and  $X \in T_{[z]}M$  we decompose  $AX$  into its tangential and normal component, that is,

$$AX = BX + \rho(X)N$$

where  $BX$  is the tangential component of  $AX$  and

$$\rho(X) = g(AX, N) = g(X, AN) = g(X, AJ\xi) = g(JX, A\xi).$$

Since  $JX = \phi X + \eta(X)N$  and  $A\xi = B\xi + \rho(\xi)N$  we also have

$$\rho(X) = g(\phi X, B\xi) + \eta(X)\rho(\xi) = \eta(B\phi X) + \eta(X)\rho(\xi).$$

We also define

$$\delta = g(N, AN) = g(JN, JAN) = -g(JN, AJN) = -g(\xi, A\xi).$$

At each point  $[z] \in M$  we define

$$\mathcal{Q}_{[z]} = \{X \in T_{[z]}M \mid AX \in T_{[z]}M \text{ for all } A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}\},$$

which is the maximal  $\mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$ -invariant subspace of  $T_{[z]}M$ . Then by using the same method for real hypersurfaces in  $Q^{*m}$  as in Berndt and Suh [4] we get the following

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) *The normal vector  $N_{[z]}$  of  $M$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal,*

- (ii)  $\mathcal{Q}_{[z]} = \mathcal{C}_{[z]}$ ,
- (iii) *There exists a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$  such that  $AN_{[z]} \in \mathbb{C}\nu_{[z]}M$ .*

Assume now that the normal vector  $N_{[z]}$  of  $M$  is not  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal. Then there exists a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}_{[z]}$  such that

$$N_{[z]} = \cos(t)Z_1 + \sin(t)JZ_2$$

for some orthonormal vectors  $Z_1, Z_2 \in V(A)$  and  $0 < t \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$ . This implies

$$\begin{aligned} N_{[z]} &= \cos(t)Z_1 + \sin(t)JZ_2, \\ AN_{[z]} &= \cos(t)Z_1 - \sin(t)JZ_2, \\ \xi_{[z]} &= \sin(t)Z_2 - \cos(t)JZ_1, \\ A\xi_{[z]} &= \sin(t)Z_2 + \cos(t)JZ_1, \end{aligned}$$

and therefore  $\mathcal{Q}_{[z]} = T_{[z]}Q^m \ominus ([Z_1] \oplus [Z_2])$  is strictly contained in  $\mathcal{C}_{[z]}$ . Moreover, we have

$$A\xi_{[z]} = B\xi_{[z]} \text{ and } \rho(\xi_{[z]}) = 0.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} g(B\xi_{[z]} + \delta\xi_{[z]}, N_{[z]}) &= 0, \\ g(B\xi_{[z]} + \delta\xi_{[z]}, \xi_{[z]}) &= 0, \\ g(B\xi_{[z]} + \delta\xi_{[z]}, B\xi_{[z]} + \delta\xi_{[z]}) &= \sin^2(2t), \end{aligned}$$

where the function  $\delta$  denotes  $\delta = -g(\xi, A\xi) = -(\sin^2 t - \cos^2 t) = \cos 2t$ . Therefore

$$U_{[z]} = \frac{1}{\sin(2t)}(B\xi_{[z]} + \delta\xi_{[z]})$$

is a unit vector in  $\mathcal{C}_{[z]}$  and

$$\mathcal{C}_{[z]} = \mathcal{Q}_{[z]} \oplus [U_{[z]}] \text{ (orthogonal sum).}$$

If  $N_{[z]}$  is not  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal at  $[z]$ , then  $N$  is not  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal in an open neighborhood of  $[z]$ , and therefore  $U$  is a well-defined unit vector field on that open neighborhood. We summarize this in the following

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  whose unit normal  $N_{[z]}$  is not  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal at  $[z]$ . Then there exists an open neighborhood of  $[z]$  in  $M$  and a section  $A$  in  $\mathfrak{A}$  on that neighborhood consisting of real structures such that*

- (i)  $A\xi = B\xi$  and  $\rho(\xi) = 0$ ,
- (ii)  $U = (B\xi + \delta\xi)/\|B\xi + \delta\xi\|$  is a unit vector field tangent to  $\mathcal{C}$ ,

(iii)  $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{Q} \oplus [U]$ .

### 3. The Codazzi Equation and Some Consequences

From the explicit expression of the Riemannian curvature tensor of the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  we can easily derive the Codazzi equation for a real hypersurface  $M \subset Q^{m*}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} g((\nabla_X S)Y - (\nabla_Y S)X, Z) &= -\eta(X)g(\phi Y, Z) + \eta(Y)g(\phi X, Z) + 2\eta(Z)g(\phi X, Y) \\ &\quad - \rho(X)g(BY, Z) + \rho(Y)g(BX, Z) \\ &\quad + \eta(BX)g(BY, \phi Z) + \eta(BX)\rho(Y)\eta(Z) \\ &\quad - \eta(BY)g(BX, \phi Z) - \eta(BY)\rho(X)\eta(Z). \end{aligned}$$

We now assume that  $M$  is a Hopf hypersurface. Then the shape operator  $S$  of  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$  satisfies

$$S\xi = \alpha\xi$$

with the smooth function  $\alpha = g(S\xi, \xi)$  on  $M$ . Inserting  $Z = \xi$  into the Codazzi equation leads to

$$g((\nabla_X S)Y - (\nabla_Y S)X, \xi) = 2g(\phi X, Y) - 2\rho(X)\eta(BY) + 2\rho(Y)\eta(BX).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g((\nabla_X S)Y - (\nabla_Y S)X, \xi) &= g((\nabla_X S)\xi, Y) - g((\nabla_Y S)\xi, X) \\ &= d\alpha(X)\eta(Y) - d\alpha(Y)\eta(X) + \alpha g((S\phi + \phi S)X, Y) - 2g(S\phi SX, Y). \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the previous two equations and putting  $X = \xi$  yields

$$d\alpha(Y) = d\alpha(\xi)\eta(Y) + 2\delta\rho(Y),$$

where  $\delta$  denotes  $\delta = -g(A\xi, \xi)$ . Reinserting this into the previous equation yields

$$\begin{aligned} g((\nabla_X S)Y - (\nabla_Y S)X, \xi) &= -2\delta\eta(X)\rho(Y) + 2\delta\rho(X)\eta(Y) + \alpha g((\phi S + S\phi)X, Y) - 2g(S\phi SX, Y). \end{aligned}$$

Altogether this implies

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= 2g(S\phi SX, Y) - \alpha g((\phi S + S\phi)X, Y) + 2g(\phi X, Y) \\ &\quad - 2\delta\rho(X)\eta(Y) - 2\rho(X)\eta(BY) + 2\rho(Y)\eta(BX) + 2\delta\eta(X)\rho(Y) \\ &= g((2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi) + 2\phi)X, Y) \\ &\quad - 2\rho(X)\eta(BY + \delta Y) + 2\rho(Y)\eta(BX + \delta X) \\ &= g((2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi) + 2\phi)X, Y) \\ &\quad - 2\rho(X)g(Y, B\xi + \delta\xi) + 2g(X, B\xi + \delta\xi)\rho(Y). \end{aligned}$$



If  $AN = N$  we have  $\rho = 0$ , otherwise we can use Lemma 2.2 to calculate  $\rho(Y) = g(Y, AN) = g(Y, AJ\xi) = -g(Y, JA\xi) = -g(Y, JB\xi) = -g(Y, \phi B\xi)$ . Thus we have proved

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a Hopf hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ . Then we have*

$$(2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi) + 2\phi)X = 2\rho(X)(B\xi + \delta\xi) + 2g(X, B\xi + \delta\xi)\phi B\xi.$$

If the unit normal vector field  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal, we can choose a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  such that  $AN = N$ . Then we have  $\rho = 0$  and  $\phi B\xi = -\phi\xi = 0$ , and therefore

$$2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi) = -2\phi.$$

If  $N$  is not  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal, we can choose a real structure  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$  as in Lemma 2.2 and get

$$\begin{aligned} &\rho(X)(B\xi + \delta\xi) + g(X, B\xi + \delta\xi)\phi B\xi \\ &= -g(X, \phi(B\xi + \delta\xi))(B\xi + \delta\xi) + g(X, B\xi + \delta\xi)\phi(B\xi + \delta\xi) \\ &= \|B\xi + \delta\xi\|^2(g(X, U)\phi U - g(X, \phi U)U) \\ &= \sin^2(2t)(g(X, U)\phi U - g(X, \phi U)U), \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to 0 on  $\mathcal{Q}$  and equal to  $\sin^2(2t)\phi X$  on  $\mathcal{C} \ominus \mathcal{Q}$ . Altogether we have proved:

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be a Hopf hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ . Then the tensor field*

$$2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi)$$

leaves  $\mathcal{Q}$  and  $\mathcal{C} \ominus \mathcal{Q}$  invariant and we have

$$2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi) = -2\phi \text{ on } \mathcal{Q}$$

and

$$2S\phi S - \alpha(\phi S + S\phi) = -2\delta^2\phi \text{ on } \mathcal{C} \ominus \mathcal{Q},$$

where  $\delta = -g(A\xi, \xi) = \cos 2t$  as in Section 3.

#### 4. Killing Shape Operator and a Key Lemma

Let us put  $AX = BX + \rho(X)N$  for any vector field  $X \in T_z Q^{m*}$ ,  $z \in M$ ,  $\rho(X) = g(AX, N)$ , where  $BX$  and  $\rho(X)N$  respectively denote the tangential and normal component of the vector field  $AX$ . Then  $A\xi = B\xi + \rho(\xi)N$  and  $\rho(\xi) = g(A\xi, N) = 0$ . Then it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} AN &= AJ\xi = -JA\xi = -J(B\xi + \rho(\xi)N) \\ &= -(\phi B\xi + \eta(B\xi)N). \end{aligned}$$

The shape operator  $S$  of  $M$  in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  is said to be *Killing* if the operator  $S$  satisfies

$$(4.1) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y + (\nabla_Y S)X = 0$$

for any  $X, Y \in T_z M$ ,  $z \in M$ .

From (4.1), together with the equation of Codazzi, it follows that

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} 2g((\nabla_X S)Y, Z) &= -\eta(X)g(\phi Y, Z) + \eta(Y)g(\phi X, Z) + 2\eta(Z)g(\phi X, Y) \\ &\quad - g(X, AN)g(AY, Z) + g(Y, AN)g(AX, Z) \\ &\quad - g(X, A\xi)g(JAY, Z) + g(Y, A\xi)g(JAX, Z). \end{aligned}$$

Since we have assumed the real hypersurface  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$  is *Hopf*, then  $S\xi = \alpha\xi$ . This gives

$$(\nabla_X S)\xi = (X\alpha)\xi + \alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX.$$

From this, let us put  $Y = \xi$  in (4.2) and use  $g(A\xi, N) = 0$ , we see that

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} 2g((X\alpha)\xi + \alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX, Z) &= g(\phi X, Z) - g(X, AN)g(A\xi, Z) \\ &\quad - g(X, A\xi)g(JA\xi, Z) + g(\xi, A\xi)g(JAX, Z). \end{aligned}$$

Here, let us put  $X = \xi$  in (4.3) and also use  $g(\xi, AN) = 0$ , we have

$$2(\xi\alpha)\eta(Z) = -g(\xi, A\xi)g(JA\xi, Z) + g(\xi, A\xi)g(JA\xi, Z) = 0.$$

From this we get  $\xi\alpha = 0$ . Then the derivative  $Y\alpha$  in Section 3 becomes

$$(4.4) \quad Y\alpha = -2g(Y, AN)g(\xi, A\xi).$$

From this, together with (4.3), it follows that

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} 2g(-2g(X, AN)g(\xi, A\xi)\xi + \alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX, Z) \\ = g(\phi X, Z) - g(X, AN)g(A\xi, Z) \\ - g(X, A\xi)g(JA\xi, Z) + g(\xi, A\xi)g(JAX, Z). \end{aligned}$$

Then by putting  $Z = \xi$  into (4.3), we have

$$(4.6) \quad \begin{aligned} -4g(X, AN)g(\xi, A\xi) &= -g(X, AN)g(A\xi, \xi) - g(X, A\xi)g(JA\xi, \xi) \\ &\quad + g(\xi, A\xi)g(JAX, \xi) \\ &= -2g(X, AN)g(A\xi, \xi). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $g(A\xi, N) = 0$ , (4.6) gives that

$$g(A\xi, \xi)g(AN, X) = 0.$$

Then we have  $g(A\xi, \xi) = 0$  or  $(AN)^T = 0$ , where  $(AN)^T$  denotes the tangential part of the vector  $AN$ .

Summing up above discussions, we conclude the following

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $M$  be a Hopf real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , with Killing shape operator. Then the unit normal vector field  $N$  is singular, that is,  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic or  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal.*

*Proof.* In above discussion, let us consider the first case  $g(A\xi, \xi) = 0$ . Then it implies that

$$0 = g(A\xi, \xi) = g(AJN, JN) = -g(JAN, JN) = -g(AN, N).$$

If we insert  $N = \cos t Z_1 + \sin t JZ_2$  for  $Z_1, Z_2 \in V(A)$  into the above equation, we have  $\cos^2 t - \sin^2 t = 0$ . Then by Section 2, we have  $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$ , that is,  $N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(X + JY)$  for some  $X, Y \in V(A)$ . So the unit normal  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic.

Next we consider the case that  $(AN)^T = 0$ . Then  $AN = (AN)^T + g(AN, N)N = g(AN, N)N$ . So it follows that

$$N = A^2N = g(AN, N)AN = g^2(AN, N)N.$$

So  $g(AN, N) = \pm 1$  gives that  $AN = \pm N$ . That is, the unit normal  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal. □

Then we are able to consider the classification of Killing shape operator  $S$  of  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$  into two cases that the unit normal  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal or  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic. In Section 5 we will discuss a classification of real hypersurfaces in  $Q^{m*}$  with Killing shape operator and  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic unit normal and in Section 6 a non-existence of Killing shape operator for hypersurfaces in  $Q^m$  when  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal will be explained in detail.

### 5. Proof of Main Theorem with $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic Unit Normal

In this section let us assume that the unit normal vector field  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic. Then the normal vector field  $N$  can be written

$$N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(Z_1 + JZ_2)$$

for  $Z_1, Z_2 \in V(A)$ , where  $V(A)$  denotes the  $(+1)$ -eigenspace of the complex conjugation  $A \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then it follows that

$$AN = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(Z_1 - JZ_2), AJN = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(JZ_1 + Z_2), \text{ and } JN = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(JZ_1 - Z_2).$$

From this, together with anti-commuting  $AJ = -JA$ , it follows that

$$g(\xi, A\xi) = g(JN, AJN) = 0, \quad g(\xi, AN) = 0 \text{ and } g(AN, N) = 0.$$

Then (4.3) gives the following for any  $X, Z \in T_zM$ ,  $z \in M$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.1) \quad & 2g(\alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX, Z) \\
 & = g(\phi X, Z) - g(X, AN)g(A\xi, Z) - g(X, A\xi)g(JA\xi, Z) \\
 & = g(\phi X, Z) - g(X, AN)g(A\xi, Z) + g(X, A\xi)g(AN, Z).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A\xi, AN \in T_zM$ ,  $z \in M$ , it implies

$$(5.2) \quad 2(\alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX) = \phi X - g(X, AN)A\xi + g(X, A\xi)AN.$$

On the other hand, we have the following from Lemma 3.1 in Section 3 a Hopf real hypersurface  $M$  with  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic unit normal  $N$

$$(5.3) \quad 2S\phi SX = \alpha(S\phi + \phi S)X - 2\phi X + 2g(X, AN)A\xi - 2g(X, A\xi)AN.$$

Then by virtue of (5.2) and (5.3), first we have

$$-S\phi SX = -2\alpha\phi SX + \frac{\alpha}{2}(\phi S + S\phi)X.$$

Then naturally it follows that

$$(5.4) \quad -2S\phi SX = \alpha S\phi X - 3\alpha\phi SX.$$

We know that the tangent space  $T_zM$ ,  $z \in M$  is decomposed as follows:

$$T_zM = [\xi] \oplus [A\xi, AN] \oplus \mathcal{Q},$$

where  $\mathcal{C} \ominus \mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q}^\perp = \text{Span}[A\xi, AN]$ .

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $M$  be a Hopf real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , with  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic unit normal vector field. Then*

$$SAN = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad SA\xi = 0.$$

*Proof.* Let us denote by  $\mathcal{C} \ominus \mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q}^\perp = \text{Span}[A\xi, AN]$ . Since  $N$  is isotropic,  $g(AN, N) = 0$  and  $g(A\xi, \xi) = 0$ . By differentiating  $g(AN, N) = 0$  and using  $(\bar{\nabla}_X A)Y = q(X)JAY$  and the equation of Weingarten, we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 & = g(\bar{\nabla}_X(AN), N) + g(AN, \bar{\nabla}_X N) \\
 & = g(q(X)JAN - ASX, N) - g(AN, SX) \\
 & = -2g(ASX, N).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then  $SAN = 0$ . Moreover, by differentiating  $g(A\xi, N) = 0$  and using  $g(AN, N) = 0$ , we have the following formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 & = g(\bar{\nabla}_X(A\xi), N) + g(A\xi, \bar{\nabla}_X N) \\
 & = g(q(X)JA\xi + A(\phi SX + g(SX, \xi)N), N) - g(SA\xi, X) \\
 & = -2g(SA\xi, X)
 \end{aligned}$$

for any  $X \in T_zM, z \in M$ , where in the third equality we have used  $\phi AN = JAN = -AJN = A\xi$ . Then it follows that

$$SA\xi = 0.$$

It completes the proof of our assertion. □

By Lemma 5.1 we know that the distribution  $\mathcal{Q}^\perp$  for a Hopf real hypersurface  $M$  in  $Q^{m*}$  is invariant by the shape operator  $S$ , so the distribution  $\mathcal{Q}$  is also  $S$  invariant. From this fact we may consider a principal curvature vector  $X \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $SX = \lambda X$ , because the distribution  $\mathcal{Q}$  can be diagonalized. Then (5.4) gives

$$(5.5) \quad S\phi X = \frac{3\alpha\lambda}{2\lambda + \alpha}\phi X.$$

In fact, if  $2\lambda + \alpha = 0$ , then  $0 = \alpha\lambda = -2\lambda^2$ . This implies  $\alpha = \lambda = 0$ . Then (5.3) gives  $\phi X = 0$  for  $X \in \mathcal{Q}$ . This leads a contradiction.

For  $X \in \mathcal{Q}$ , we know that  $g(X, AN) = g(X, A\xi) = 0$ . So (5.3) gives the following

$$(5.6) \quad 2S\phi SX = \alpha(S\phi + \phi S)X - 2\phi X.$$

Then we consider two cases for  $X \in \mathcal{Q}$  or  $X \in \mathcal{Q}^\perp$ .

As a first, for  $X \in \mathcal{Q}$  such that  $SX = \lambda X$  the formula (5.6) gives

$$(5.7) \quad 2\lambda S\phi X = \alpha S\phi X + (\alpha\lambda - 2)\phi X.$$

Then we can consider two cases as follows:

Case 1.  $\alpha = 2\lambda$

Then  $\alpha\lambda = 2$  gives  $\alpha = 2$  and  $\lambda = 1$  with multiplicities 1 and  $2(m - 2)$  respectively. This case implies that the shape operator commutes with the structure tensor, that is,  $S\phi = \phi S$ . Then by a result due to Suh [21],  $M$  is locally congruent to a horosphere.

Case 2.  $\alpha \neq 2\lambda$

Then (5.7) gives that

$$(5.8) \quad S\phi X = \mu\phi X \quad \text{where} \quad \mu = \frac{\alpha\lambda - 2}{2\lambda - \alpha}.$$

Then (5.5) and (5.8) give

$$\frac{\alpha\lambda - 2}{2\lambda - \alpha}\phi X = \frac{3\alpha\lambda}{2\lambda + \alpha}\phi X.$$

From this, any principal curvatures  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  of the distribution  $\mathcal{Q}$  satisfy the following quadratic equation

$$(5.9) \quad 2\alpha\lambda^2 - 2(\alpha^2 - 1)\lambda + \alpha = 0.$$

The solutions become the following constant principal curvatures given by

$$(5.10) \quad \lambda_1, \lambda_2 = \frac{(\alpha^2 - 1) \pm \sqrt{(\alpha^2 - 1)^2 - 2\alpha^2}}{2\alpha},$$

because the Reeb function  $\alpha$  is constant for  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic unit normal  $N$ . Here we note that the Reeb function  $\alpha$  can not vanishing. If the function  $\alpha$  identically vanishes, then (5.9) gives  $\lambda = 0$ . From this, together with (5.7), we have  $\phi X = 0$ , which implies a contradiction.

From this, together with Lemma 5.1, the expression of the shape operator becomes the following

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \lambda_i & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \lambda_i & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mu_i & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \mu_i \end{bmatrix}.$$

Here the principal curvatures  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are given by (5.10) with multiplicities  $p + q = m - 2$  where  $\dim T_{\lambda_1} = p$  and  $\dim T_{\lambda_2} = q$ , respectively. Moreover, the principal curvatures  $\mu_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) with respect to the eigenspaces  $T_{\mu_i} = \phi(T_{\lambda_i})$  satisfy  $\mu_i = \frac{\alpha\lambda_i - 2}{2\lambda_i - \alpha}$ , respectively.

Summing up the above discussions, we give the following

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  with  $\mathfrak{A}$ -isotropic unit normal vector field. Then  $M$  is locally congruent to a horosphere or  $M$  has 4 distinct constant principal curvatures given by*

$$\alpha \neq 0, \beta = \gamma = 0, \lambda_1 = \frac{(\alpha^2 - 1) + \sqrt{(\alpha^2 - 1)^2 - 2\alpha^2}}{2\alpha}, \text{ and}$$

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{(\alpha^2 - 1) - \sqrt{(\alpha^2 - 1)^2 - 2\alpha^2}}{2\alpha}$$

with corresponding principal curvature spaces respectively

$$T_\alpha = [\xi], T_\beta = [AN], T_\gamma = [A\xi], \phi(T_{\lambda_i}) = T_{\mu_i},$$

and

$$\dim(T_{\lambda_1} + T_{\lambda_2}) = \dim(T_{\mu_1} + T_{\mu_2}) = m - 2.$$

**6. Proof of Main Theorem with  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal**

In this section let us consider a real hypersurface  $M$  in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  with Killing shape operator for the case that the unit normal  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal. In this case the Killing shape operator (4.3) gives that

$$2g(\{\alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX\}, Z) = g(\phi X, Z) - g(\phi AX, Z),$$

where we have used  $g(\xi, A\xi) = -1$  and  $JAX = \phi AX + \eta(AX)N$ . Then it follows that

$$(6.1) \quad 2(\alpha\phi SX - S\phi SX) = \phi X - \phi AX.$$

Since the unit normal vector field  $N$  is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal,  $A\xi = -\xi$ . Then differentiating this and using Gauss equation give

$$(6.2) \quad \nabla_X(A\xi) = \bar{\nabla}_X(A\xi) - g(SX, A\xi)N = -q(X)N + A\phi SX + 2\alpha\eta(X)N,$$

where  $q$  denotes a certain 1-form defined on  $M$  as in the introduction. From this, together with  $\nabla_X(A\xi) = -\nabla_X\xi = -\phi SX$ , it follows that

$$(6.3) \quad -\phi SX = -q(X)N + A\phi SX + 2\alpha\eta(X)N.$$

By taking the inner product of (6.3) with the unit normal  $N$ , we have  $q(X) = 2\alpha\eta(X)$ . From this, we know

$$(6.4) \quad A\phi SX = -\phi SX.$$

So when we consider  $SX = \lambda X$  for  $X \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $\lambda \neq 0$ , (6.4) becomes  $A\phi X = -\phi X$ , where the distribution  $\mathcal{C}$  denotes the orthogonal complement of the Reeb vector field  $\xi$ . When the principal curvature  $\lambda = 0$ ,  $SX = 0$  in (6.1) gives that

$$\phi AX = \phi X.$$

Accordingly, for any cases we know that

$$AX = X - 2\eta(X)\xi.$$

Then we have

$$(6.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Tr}A &= g(AN, N) + \sum_{i=1}^{2m-1} g(Ae_i, e_i) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{2m-1} g(e_i - 2\eta(e_i)\xi, e_i) \\ &= 2(m - 1). \end{aligned}$$

But  $\text{Tr}A = 0$ , because  $T_z Q^m = V(A) \oplus JV(A)$ , where  $V(A) = \{X \in T_z Q^{m*} \mid AX = X\}$  and  $JV(A) = \{X \in T_z Q^m \mid AX = -X\}$ . This leads to a contradiction, which implies another theorem as follows:

**Theorem 6.1.** *There do not exist any real hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic quadric  $Q^{m*}$  with Killing shape operator if the unit normal vector field is  $\mathfrak{A}$ -principal.*

Summing up all of discussions including Sections 4 and 5, by Lemma 4.1, Theorems 5.2 and 6.1, we give a complete proof of our Main Theorem 2 in the introduction.

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