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## SEMI-SLANT LIGHTLIKE SUBMERSIONS WITH TOTALLY UMBILICAL FIBRES

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Abstract. We introduce the study of a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold onto an r-lightlike manifold. After giving the definition of a semi-slant lightlike submersion, we establish the existence Theorems for this class of lightlike submersions. Then, we derive the integrability conditions for the distributions  $D_1, D_2$  and  $\Delta$ associated with a semi-slant lightlike submersion. Consequently, we find some necessary and sufficient conditions for the foliations determined by the distributions  $D_1, D_2$  and  $\Delta$ . Subsequently, we examine the geometry of totally umbilical fibres of a semi-slant lightlike submersion.

### 1. Introduction

The concept of a lightlike submersion is one of the most fruitful area of research in semi-Riemannian geometry. Theoretically, a lightlike submersion is a smooth map that preserves the causal structure of the manifolds. In other words, a lightlike submersion is a map that preserves the light cones in two manifolds so that any two points in the domain, which are connected by a lightlike curve are mapped to two points in the co-domain, which are also connected by a lightlike curve. The theory of lightlike submersions is known to have extensive uses in mathematical physics, particularly, in the general theory of relativity. For instance, in physics, a lightlike submersion is used to describe the propagation of gravitational waves through spacetime, as these waves travel along null geodesics (paths that are tangent to the light cone) [2]-[1]. In addition, a lightlike submersion can also be used to construct non-locality conditions in quantum field theory, which are important for understanding the nature of entanglement and other quantum phenomena [4]. In string theory, lightlike submersions are used to describe the dynamics of strings moving in curved spacetimes. Moreover, a lightlike submersion has been used to map

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the worldsheet of the string onto the target spacetime [5]. Furthermore, lightlike submersions have been employed to describe the dynamics of particles and fields near the event horizon of a black hole, where the effect of gravity becomes extreme [10]. Comprehensively, a lightlike submersion is a valuable geometric tool for understanding various aspects of physics.

Initially, the concept of a Riemannian submersion was developed by Hermann [11] and O'Neill [15]. In [11], Hermann proved a sufficient condition for a mapping of a Riemannian manifold to be a fibre bundle. This motivated O'Neill to introduce the general notion of a Riemannian submersion [15]. Afterwards, various new generalizations of Riemannian submersions namely, invariant submersions, anti-invariant submersions, CR-submersions, generic submersions, semislant submersions, complex-contact and contact-complex submersions came into sight (for details, see [8]-[26], [18]). Further, with the development of semi-Riemannian geometry, O'Neill [17], introduced the notion of a semi-Riemannian submersion. It may be noted that for a Reimannian submersion  $\phi: M \to B$ , where M and B are Riemannian manifolds, the fibres of the Riemannian submersion  $\phi$  are always Riemannian. However, when M and B are semi-Riemannian manifolds, the fibres of  $\phi$  may not be semi-Riemannian. In this context, Sahin [22] studied the existence of a lightlike submersion defined from a semi-Riemannian manifold onto a lightlike manifold and illustrated how this idea differs from Riemannian and semi-Riemannian submersions. Further, in [21], Sahin used a semi-Riemannian manifold as the base and a Kaehler manifold as the total manifold to define a new type of lightlike submersion. Park and Prasad [18], introduced the notion of a semi-slant submersion from an almost indefinite Hermitian manifold onto a Riemannian manifold. Literature suggests that till date very few studies are available on the geometry of lightlike submersions. In view of wide variety of applications of a lightlike submersion, we define a new class of lightlike submersions, namely, semi-slant lightlike submersions following the similar approach as developed and used by Sahin in [22].

The paper is structured as follows: At first we give the general definition for a semi-slant lightlike submersion  $\phi$  from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an *r*-lightlike manifold  $M_2$  and present some Theorems for the existence of this class of lightlike submersions. Then we establish some conditions for the integrability of the distributions  $\Delta$ ,  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  arising in case of a semi-slant lightlike submersion. Further, we obtain some necessary and sufficient conditions for the leaves determined by the distributions on a semi-slant lightlike submersion to be totally geodesic foliations. We also discuss the requisite for a semi-slant lightlike submersion  $\phi$  to be a totally geodesic map. Finally, we investigate the geometry of totally umbilical fibres of semi-slant submersion and give some geometric characterisation results.

## 2. Preliminaries

In this section, we refer to [22] for the basic notations and fundamental equations related to a lightlike submersion.

Assume that  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  be an indefinite almost Hermitian manifold. This indicates that a tensor field J of type (1, 1) on  $M_1$  is admissible, such that

(1) 
$$J^2 = -I, \ g_1(JX, JY) = g_1(X, Y),$$

for  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM_1)$ . An indefinite almost Hermitian manifold  $M_1$  is said to be an indefinite Kaehler manifold if

(2) 
$$(\nabla_X J)Y = 0,$$

for any 
$$X, Y \in \Gamma(TM_1)$$
.  
On the other hand, the radical space Rad  $T_pM_1$  of  $T_pM_1$  is defined as

$$RadT_{p}M_{1} = \{\xi \in T_{p}M_{1} : g_{1}(\xi, X) = 0, \forall X \in T_{p}M_{1}\}.$$

Let  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  be a semi-Riemannian manifold and  $(M_2, g_2)$  be an r-lightlike manifold. Consider a smooth submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$ , then for  $p \in M_2$ ,  $\phi^{-1}(p)$  is a submanifold of  $M_1$  of dimension dim  $M_1$  - dim  $M_2$ . For any point  $p \in M_1$ , the kernel of  $\phi_*$ , denoted as  $\ker \phi_*$  and is given by

$$ker \ \phi_* = \{ Z \in T_p M_1 : \phi_*(Z) = 0 \}.$$

Now we define  $(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}$  as

$$(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp} = \{Y \in T_p M_1 : g_1(X, Y) = 0, \forall X \in ker \ \phi_*\}.$$

 $(\ker \phi_*)^\perp$  may not be complementary to  $\ker \phi_*$  as  $T_pM_1$  is a semi-Riemannian vector space. Hence

$$\Delta = ker \ \phi_* \cap (ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp} \neq \{0\}.$$

For a lightlike submersion, there are four possible cases, which are discussed below:

Case (i).  $0 < \dim \Delta < \min\{\dim(\ker \phi_*), \dim(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}\}$ : In this case  $\Delta$  is the radical subspace of  $T_pM_1$ . Therefore we can find a quasi-orthonormal basis of  $M_1$  along  $\ker \phi_*$ . Assume that  $S(\ker \phi_*)$  is a complementary non-degenerate subspace to  $\Delta$  in  $\ker \phi_*$ . Then we have

$$ker \ \phi_* = \Delta \perp S(ker \ \phi_*).$$

In a similar way, we have

$$(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp} = \Delta \perp S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp},$$

where  $S(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$  is a complementary subspace of  $\Delta$  in  $(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ . Moreover,  $S(\ker \phi_*)$  being non-degenerate in  $T_p M_1$  gives

$$T_p M_1 = S(ker \ \phi_*) \perp (S(ker \ \phi_*))^{\perp},$$

where  $(S(\ker \phi_*))^{\perp}$  is the complementary subspace of  $S(\ker \phi_*)$  in  $T_p M_1$ . As  $S(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $(S(\ker \phi_*))^{\perp}$  are non-degenerate in  $T_p M_1$ , therefore we get

$$(S(ker \ \phi_*))^{\perp} = S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp} \perp (S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp})^{\perp}.$$

Now from ([6]), in view of proposition 2.4, we conclude that there exist a quasi-orthonormal basis of  $T_p M_1$  along ker  $\phi_*$ , then we have

$$g_{1}(\xi_{i},\xi_{j}) = g_{1}(N_{i},N_{j}) = 0, \quad g_{1}(\xi_{i},N_{j}) = \delta_{ij}, g_{1}(W_{\alpha},\xi_{j}) = g_{1}(W_{\alpha},N_{j}) = 0, \quad g_{1}(W_{\alpha},W_{\beta}) = \epsilon_{\alpha}\delta_{\alpha\beta},$$

for any  $i, j \in \{1, ..., r\}$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \{1, ..., t\}$ , where  $\{N_i\}$  are smooth null vector fields of  $(S(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp})^{\perp}, \{W_{\alpha}\}$  is a basis of  $S(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$  and  $\{\xi_i\}$  is a basis of  $\Delta$ . Let the set of vector fields  $\{N_i\}$  be denoted by  $ltr(\ker \phi_*)$ , then consider the subspace as follows.

$$tr(ker \ \phi_*) = ltr(ker \ \phi_*) \perp S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}.$$

Since  $ltr(ker \ \phi_*)$  and  $ker \ \phi_*$  are not orthogonal to each other, so we denote the vertical space of  $T_p M_1$  as  $\mathcal{V} = ker \ \phi_*$  and the horizontal space as  $\mathcal{H} = tr(ker \ \phi_*)$ . Thus we have

$$T_p M_1 = \mathcal{V}_p \oplus \mathcal{H}_p.$$

It is pertinent to highlight again that  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  are not orthogonal to each other. We are now equipped to define a lightlike submersion.

**Definition 2.1.** [22] Consider a submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  defined from semi-Riemannian manifold  $(M_1, g_1)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$  such that

- (1) for  $0 < r < \min\{\dim(\ker \phi_*), \dim(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}\}, \dim \Delta = \dim\{(\ker \phi_*) \cap (\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}\} = r,$
- (2) the length of horizontal vectors is preserved under  $\phi_*$ , i.e.,  $g_1(Z, W) = g_2(\phi_*(Z), \phi_*(W))$  for  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{H})$ .

Then  $\phi$  is called an r-lightlike submersion.

- **Case (ii).** dim  $\Delta = \dim(\ker \phi_*) < \dim(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ . In this case  $\mathcal{V} = \Delta$  and  $\mathcal{H} = S(\ker \phi_* \perp ltr(\ker \phi_*))$  and  $\phi$  is said to be an isotropic lightlike submersion.
- **Case (iii).** dim  $\Delta = \dim(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp} < \dim(\ker \phi_*)$ . Here  $\mathcal{V} = S(\ker \phi_*) \perp \Delta$  and  $\mathcal{H} = ltr(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $\phi$  is said to be a co-isotropic lightlike submersion.
- **Case (iv).** dim  $\Delta = \dim(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp} = \dim(\ker \phi_*)$ . In this case  $\mathcal{V} = \Delta$  and  $\mathcal{H} = ltr(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $\phi$  is said to be a totally lightlike submersion.

Before proceeding further, at first we prove an essential lemma required to define the concept of a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold onto a lightlike manifold.

**Lemma 2.2.** Consider a r-lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  (where  $g_1$  is a semi-Riemannian metric

of index 2r) onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . If  $J\Delta$  is a distribution on  $M_1$  such that  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = 0$ , then any distribution complementary to  $J\Delta \oplus Jltr(ker \phi_*)$  in  $S(ker \phi_*)$  is Riemannian.

Proof. If possible, assume that  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$  is invariant with respect to J, then for  $Z \in \Gamma(\Delta), N \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \phi_*))$ , we have  $g_1(Z, N) = 1$ , which gives  $g_1(JZ, JN) = 1$ , this further gives 0 = 1, which is a contradiction. Hence  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$  is not invariant with respect to J. Furthermore, on contrary suppose that  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$  is contained in  $S(ker \phi_*)$ , then we have 0 = $g_1(JZ, JN) = g_1(Z, N) = 1$ , which is also a contradiction. Thus,  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$ is a distribution on  $M_1$ . Moreover,  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$  is not contained in  $\Delta$ . Because if so, then for  $JN \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ , we have  $J^2N = -N \in \Gamma(J\Delta)$ , which is again a contradiction. In a similar way, we can prove that  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$  is not contained in  $J\Delta$ . Hence,  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*) \subset S(ker \phi_*))$  such that  $J\Delta \cap$  $J(ltr(ker \phi_*) = 0$ . Let D denotes a distribution which is complementary to  $J\Delta \oplus J(ltr(ker \phi_*))$  in  $S(ker \phi_*)$ . Then, for the local quasi-orthonormal frames on  $M_1, \xi_1, ..., \xi_r, J\xi_1, ..., J\xi_r, N_1, ..., N_r, JN_1..., JN_r$  forms an orthonormal basis of  $\Delta \oplus J\Delta \oplus ltr(ker \phi_*) \oplus Jltr(ker \phi_*)$ . Next we define  $U_1, ..., U_{2r}, V_1, ..., V_{2r}$  as

$$U_{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_{1} + N_{1}), U_{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_{1} - N_{1}), U_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_{2} + N_{2}),$$

$$U_{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_{2} + N_{2}), \dots, U_{2r-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_{r} + N_{r}), U_{2r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_{r} + N_{r}),$$

$$V_{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(J\xi_{1} + JN_{1}), V_{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(J\xi_{1} - JN_{1}), V_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(J\xi_{2} + JN_{2}),$$

$$V_{4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(J\xi_{2} - JN_{1}), \dots, V_{2r-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(J\xi_{r} + JN_{r}), V_{2r}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(J\xi_{r} - JN_{r}).$$

Hence, Span  $\{\xi_i, N_i, J\xi_i, JN_i\}$  is a non-degenerate space of constant index 2r, that is  $\Delta \oplus J\Delta \oplus ltr(ker \ \phi_*) \oplus Jltr(ker \ \phi_*)$  is non-degenerate and has a constant index 2r on  $M_1$ . Since  $index(TM_1) = index(\Delta \oplus ltr(ker \ \phi_*)) + index(J\Delta \oplus Jltr(ker \ \phi_*) + index(D \perp S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}))$ , we obtain,  $2r = 2r + index(J\Delta \oplus Jltr(ker \ \phi_*) + index(D \perp S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}))$ . This implies that  $(D \perp S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}))$  is Reimannian and, therefore, D is Riemannian.

#### 3. Semi-Slant Lightlike Submersions

In this section, at first, we define the concept of a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold onto an r-lightlike manifold.

**Definition 3.1.** Consider an r-lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  defined from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$ , where  $g_1$  is a semi-Riemannian metric of index 2r, where  $2r < \dim(M_1)$ , onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . Then  $\phi$  is said to be a semi-slant lightlike submersion if the following conditions hold:

- (1)  $J\Delta$  is a distribution on ker  $\phi_*$  such that  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = 0$ .
- (2) There exist two non-degenerate distributions  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  on  $M_1$ , such that

$$ker \ \phi_* = \Delta \perp \{ J\Delta \oplus Jltr(ker \ \phi_*) \} \oplus_{ortho} D_1 \oplus_{ortho} D_2,$$

where  $JD_1 = D_1$ .

(3) For any non-zero vector field X tangent to  $D_2$ , the angle  $\theta_p(X)$  between JX and the vector space  $(D_2)_p$  is constant for any given point  $p \in U \subset M_1$ , where  $D_2$  is the complementary distribution to  $J\Delta \oplus$  $Jltr(ker \phi_*) \oplus_{orth} D_1$  in  $S(ker \phi_*)$ . This implies that angle  $\theta_p(X)$  does not depend on the choice of X.

Here the angle  $\theta$  on  $M_1$  is known as a semi-slant angle. If  $\phi: M_1 \to M_2$  is a semi-slant lightlike submersion, then the decomposition of  $\ker \phi_*$  is as follows:

(3) 
$$\ker \phi_* = \Delta \perp \{ J\Delta \oplus Jltr(\ker \phi_*) \} \oplus_{ortho} D_1 \oplus_{ortho} D_2.$$

Hence we get

$$T_p M_1 = \mathcal{V}_p \oplus \mathcal{H}_p$$
  
= {\Delta \pm \lefta \pm Jltr(ker \phi\_\*)} \overline ortho D\_1 \overline ortho D\_2} \overline \{\phi(D\_2) \pm \lefta \le

where  $\eta$  is the orthogonal subbundle complementary to  $\phi(D_2)$  in  $(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}$ .

**Example 3.2.** Let  $(R^{18}, g_1, J)$  and  $(R^8, g_2)$  be an indefinite Kaehler manifold and a lightlike manifold, endowed with semi-reimannian metric  $g_1$  with signature (-, +, -, +, +, +, +, +, +, +) and degenerate metric  $g_2$  with signature (+, +, +, +, +, +, +, +).

Define a map  $\phi$  from  $R^{18} \xrightarrow{\cdot} R^8$  as

$$\phi(x_1, \dots, x_8) = (x_1, -x_2, x_3, x_2 + x_4, x_1 + x_4, x_2 + x_3, x_5, x_6, x_6, x_5x_6)$$
$$\frac{(x_5)^2}{2} + \frac{(x_6)^2}{2}, x_7, x_7, x_8, x_8, x_7, x_8, x_7x_8, \frac{x_7^2}{2} + \frac{x_8^2}{2}).$$

Then we can easily see that  $\phi$  is a 2-lightlike submersion with

$$\Delta = \ker \phi_* \cap (\ker \phi_*)^{\perp} = Span\{Z_1 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, Z_2 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_6}\},$$
$$J\Delta = Span\{Z_2 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_6}, Z_4 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}\},$$
$$Jltr(\ker \phi_*) = Span\{Z_4 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}\},$$

$$D_1 = Span\{Z_5 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, Z_8 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_8}\},$$
$$D_2 = Span\{Z_7 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_9} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{12}}), Z_8 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_8}\}$$

Since  $JZ_1 = Z_2, JZ_3 = Z_4$ , therefore  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = 0$ . By easy calculation, we can see that  $D_1$  is invariant w.r.t. J and  $D_2$  is a slant distribution with the slant angle  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Thus,  $\phi$  is a proper semi-slant lightlike submersion.

For any vector field  $X \in \mathcal{V}_p$ , we may write

(5) 
$$X = Q_1 X + Q_2 X + Q_3 X + Q_4 X + Q_5 X,$$

where  $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4$  and  $Q_5$  denote the projections of X onto the distributions  $\Delta, J\Delta, J(ltr(ker \phi_*), D_1, \text{ and } D_2 \text{ respectively. Applying } J \text{ to Eq. } (5), \text{ we get}$ 

$$(6) JX = fX + \omega X,$$

where fX and  $\omega X$  are the tangential and transversal components of JX, respectively. This further gives

(7) 
$$JX = JQ_1X + JQ_2X + JQ_3X + JQ_4X + JQ_5X = fQ_1X + fQ_2X + \omega Q_3X + fQ_4X + fQ_5X + \omega Q_5X,$$

then clearly, we have  $fQ_1X \in \Gamma(J\Delta)$ ,  $fQ_2X \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ ,  $\omega Q_3X \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \ \phi_*))$ ,  $fQ_4X \in \Gamma(D_1)$ ,  $fQ_5X \in \Gamma(D_2)$ ,  $\omega Q_5X \in \Gamma(\phi(D_2))$ . Further for  $X \in \Gamma(ker \ \phi_*)$ , Therefore in view of Eqs. (6) and (7), we have

$$fX = fQ_1X + fQ_2X + fQ_4X + fQ_5X, \quad \omega X = \omega Q_3X + \omega Q_5X.$$

In a similar way, we call  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  as the projections of  $ltr(ker \ \phi_*)$  and  $S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}$  respectively. Therefore for  $Z \in \Gamma((ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp})$ , we have

$$(8) Z = P_1 Z + P_2 Z_2$$

then on applying J, the above equation reduces to

(9) 
$$JZ = JP_1Z + JP_2Z = JP_1Z + BP_2Z + CP_2Z,$$

where  $BP_2Z$  and  $CP_2Z$  represent the tangential and transversal components of  $JP_2Z$ . Thus we get,  $JP_1Z \in \Gamma(Jltr(ker \phi_*)), BP_2Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$  and  $CP_2Z \in \Gamma(\eta)$ . Now we define O'Neill [15] tensors  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  as

(10) 
$$\mathcal{T}_E F = \mathcal{H} \nabla_{\mathcal{V} E} \mathcal{V} F + \mathcal{V} \nabla_{\mathcal{V} E} \mathcal{H} F,$$

(11) 
$$\mathcal{A}_E F = \mathcal{H} \nabla_{\mathcal{H} E} \mathcal{V} F + \mathcal{V} \nabla_{\mathcal{H} E} \mathcal{H} F,$$

where E and F are the vector fields on  $M_1$  and  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection of  $g_1$ . It may be observed that  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  are skew symmetric tensors in Riemannian submersions, but this is not true for a lightlike submersion since the horizontal and vertical subspaces are not orthogonal to each other. The horizontal and vertical subspaces are reversed by both the tensors  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$ and moreover,  $\mathcal{T}$  is symmetric, that is, for each  $U, V \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$ , we have  $\mathcal{T}_U V = \mathcal{T}_V U$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $\phi$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ , then for  $X, Y \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $U, V \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ , we have

(12) 
$$\nabla_X Y = \mathcal{T}_X Y + \nabla_X Y,$$

(13) 
$$\nabla_X V = \mathcal{H} \nabla_X V + \mathcal{T}_X V,$$

(14) 
$$\nabla_U X = \mathcal{A}_U X + \hat{\nabla}_U X,$$

(15) 
$$\nabla_U V = \mathcal{H} \nabla_U V + \mathcal{A}_U V,$$

where  $\hat{\nabla}_X Y = \mathcal{V} \nabla_X Y$ .

Then we have the following lemma:

**Lemma 3.4.** Suppose that  $\phi : (M_1, g_1, J) \to (M_2, g_2)$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ , then

$$\begin{array}{ll} Q_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{3}Y + \hat{\nabla}fQ_{4}Y + \nabla fQ_{5}Y + \\ (16) & \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{5}Y) = fQ_{2}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & Q_{2}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{3}Y + \hat{\nabla}fQ_{4}Y + \nabla fQ_{5}Y + \\ (17) & \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{5}Y) = fQ_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & Q_{3}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{3}Y + \hat{\nabla}fQ_{4}Y + \nabla fQ_{5}Y + \\ & \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{5}Y) = JP_{1}(\mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{3}Y + \\ (18) & \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{4}y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & Q_{4}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{3}Y + \hat{\nabla}fQ_{4}Y + \nabla fQ_{5}Y + \\ & \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{5}Y) = fQ_{4}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & Q_{5}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}fQ_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{3}Y + \hat{\nabla}fQ_{4}Y + \nabla fQ_{5}Y + \\ & \mathcal{T}_{X}\omega Q_{5}Y) = fQ_{5}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{5}Y) + \\ (20) & + BP_{2}(\mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{3}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}fQ_{4}y + \mathcal{T}_{X}fQ_{5}Y + \\ & \mathcal{H}\nabla_{X}\omega Q_{5}Y) = \omega Q_{3}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & P_{2}(\mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{3}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & P_{2}(\mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{3}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \mathcal{T}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ (22) & + \omega Q_{5}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{1}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{2}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{4}Y + \hat{\nabla}_{X}Q_{5}Y), \\ & where X Y \in \Gamma(krr, \phi) \ and U V \in \Gamma(krr, \phi)^{\perp} \end{array}$$

where  $X, Y \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $U, V \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ .

*Proof.* In view of Eqs. (2), (5), (7) and Lemma (3.3), the result follows.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.5.** (Existence Theorem) The necessary and sufficient condition for a lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$  to be a semi-slant lightlike submersion is as follows:

- (i)  $J\Delta$  is a distribution on  $M_1$  such that  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = \{0\}$ ,
- (ii) the screen distribution  $S(\ker \phi_*)$  can be decomposed as a direct sum as

$$S(ker \ \phi_*) = (J\Delta \oplus Jltr(ker \ \phi_*)) \oplus_{ortho} D_1 \oplus_{ortho} D_2,$$

(iii) there exists a constant  $\lambda \in [0,1)$  such that  $f^2(Z) = -\lambda Z$ , for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ . Here  $\lambda = \cos^2\theta$ , where  $\theta$  is known as a semi-slant angle of  $D_2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\phi$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . Then by virtue of Definition (2.1) and Lemma (2.2), the distribution  $D_1$  is invariant with respect to J and  $J\Delta$  is a distribution on  $M_1$  such that  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = \{0\}$ . This proves (i) and (ii).

Now for any  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , we have

(23) 
$$\cos\theta = \frac{|fZ|}{|JZ|}$$

which gives

$$\cos^2\theta = \frac{|fZ|^2}{|JZ|^2} = \frac{g_1(fZ, fZ)}{g_1(JZ, JZ)} = \frac{g_1(Z, f^2Z)}{g_1(Z, J^2Z)}.$$

this further implies

(24) 
$$g_1(Z, f^2 Z) = \cos^2 \theta g_1(Z, J^2 Z).$$

Since  $\phi$  is a semi-slant lightlike submersion, therefore  $\cos^2\theta = \lambda(\text{constant}) \in [0, 1)$  and then from Eq. (24), we get

$$g_1(Z, f^2Z) = \lambda g_1(Z, J^2Z) = g_1(Z, \lambda J^2Z),$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$  which further yields that

(25) 
$$g_1(Z, (f^2 - \lambda J^2)Z) = 0.$$

Since  $(f^2 - \lambda J^2)Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$  and  $D_2$  is a non-degenerate distribution of  $S(\ker \phi_*)$ , therefore from Eq. (25), we have  $(f^2 - \lambda J^2)Z = 0$ , that is  $f^2Z = \lambda J^2Z = -\lambda Z$ for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , which proves (iii).

Conversely, let  $\phi$  be a lightlike submersion satisfying the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii). Then from (iii) we obtain

$$f^2 Z = \lambda J^2 Z,$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , where  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$ . Now

$$cos\theta = \frac{g_1(JZ, fZ)}{|JZ||fZ|} = \frac{-g_1(Z, f^2Z)}{|JZ||fZ|} = \frac{-\lambda g_1(Z, J^2Z)}{|JZ||fZ|} = \lambda \frac{g_1(JZ, JZ)}{|JZ||fZ|}$$

$$(26) = \lambda \frac{|fZ|}{|JZ|}.$$

Thus using Eq. (23) in Eq. (26), we get  $\cos^2\theta = \lambda$  (constant).

**Theorem 3.6.** (Existence Theorem) The necessary and sufficient condition for a lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$  to be a semi-slant lightlike submersion is as follows:

- (i)  $J\Delta$  is a distribution on  $M_1$  such that  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = \{0\}$ ,
- (ii) the screen distribution  $S(\ker \phi_*)$  can be decomposed as a direct sum  $S(\ker \phi_*) = (J\Delta \oplus Jltr(\ker \phi_*)) \oplus_{ortho} D_1 \oplus_{ortho} D_2,$
- (iii) there exists a constant  $\gamma \in (0,1]$  such that  $B\omega Z = -\gamma Z$ , for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ . In this case,  $\gamma = \sin^2 \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the semi-slant angle of  $D_2$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\phi$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion, therefore by virtue of its Definition (2.1) and Lemma (2.2), the distribution  $D_1$  is invariant with respect to J and  $J\Delta$  is a distribution on  $M_1$  such that  $\Delta \cap J\Delta = \{0\}$ . As for any vector  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , we have

$$(27) JZ = fZ + \omega Z,$$

where fZ and  $\omega Z$  are tangential and transversal components of JZ respectively. Applying J to Eq. (27) and comparing the tangential components, we get

$$(28) -Z = f^2 Z + B\omega Z,$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ . As  $\phi$  is a semi-slant submersion, so using Theorem (3.5), we have

$$f^2 Z = -\lambda Z,$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , where  $\lambda \in [0, 1)$  and therefore from Eq. (28), we obtain

$$B\omega Z = -\gamma Z.$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , where  $\gamma = 1 - \lambda \in (0, 1]$ . This proves (iii). Conversely, let  $\phi$  be a lightlike submersion such that the three conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) hold. Then from Eq. (28), we acquire

$$-Z = f^2 Z - \gamma Z,$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , which further implies

$$f^2 Z = -\lambda Z,$$

for all  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ . Further the proof follows directly from Theorem (3.5).  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 3.7.** Suppose that  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion with a semi-slant angle  $\theta$ , then for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$ , we have

(29) 
$$g_1(fX, fY) = \cos^2\theta g_1(X, Y)$$

(30)  $g_1(\omega X, \omega Y) = \sin^2 \theta g_1(X, Y).$ 

**Lemma 3.8.** Consider a semi-slant lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  with a semi-slant angle  $\theta$  from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . Then for any unit tangent vector  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , we have

(31) 
$$fZ = \cos\theta Z^*,$$

where  $Z^*$  is a unit tangent vector orthogonal to Z such that  $Z^* \in \Gamma(D_2)$ .

*Proof.* For a unit tangent vector  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , we have

$$|fZ| = \cos\theta(Z)|Z|.$$

Consider another unit tangent vector  $Z^* = \frac{fZ}{|fZ|}$  in the direction of fZ, then we have

$$fZ = Z^* . |fZ| = Z^* . cos\theta(Z).$$

Also  $g_1(JZ, Z) = 0$ , then  $g_1(fZ, Z) = 0$  and this further gives  $g_1(Z^*, Z) = \frac{1}{|fZ|} g_1(fZ, Z) = 0$ .

Now, we will investigate some conditions for the integrability of distributions of  $ker(\phi_*)$ .

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $\phi: M_1 \to M_2$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . Then  $\Delta$  is integrable if and only if

(i)  $Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z f W) = Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_W f Z),$ (ii)  $Q_4(\hat{\nabla}_Z f W) = Q_4(\hat{\nabla}_W f Z),$ (iii)  $Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_Z f W) = Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_W f Z),$ 

for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ 

*Proof.* Let  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ , then from Eq. (16), we get

(32) 
$$Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_Z f W = f Q_2 \hat{\nabla}_Z W.$$

On interchanging Z and W in the preceding equation, we obtain

(33) 
$$Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_W f Z = f Q_2 \hat{\nabla}_W Z$$

Subtracting Eq. (33) from Eq. (32), we get

(34) 
$$Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_Z f W - Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_W f Z = f Q_2 \mathcal{V}[Z, W].$$

Also for  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ , Eq. (19) gives

On reversing the role of Z and W in the above equation, then we have

(36) 
$$Q_4 \hat{\nabla}_W f Z = f Q_4 \hat{\nabla}_W Z.$$

Subtracting Eq. (36) from Eq. (35), we acquire

(37) 
$$Q_4 \hat{\nabla}_Z f W - Q_4 \hat{\nabla}_W f Z = f Q_4 \mathcal{V}[Z, W].$$

From Eq. (20), we have

(38) 
$$Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) = Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + BP_2(\mathcal{T}_Z W)$$

If Z and W are interchanged in the above equation, then we get

(39) 
$$Q_5(\nabla_W fZ) = Q_5(\nabla_Z fW) + BP_2(\mathcal{T}_W Z).$$

Then from Eqs. (38) and (39), we further obtain

$$Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) - Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = fQ_5(\mathcal{V}[Z,W]) + BP_2(\mathcal{T}_Z W - \mathcal{T}_W Z).$$

Since the tensor  $\mathcal{T}$  is symmetric, therefore  $\mathcal{T}_Z W = \mathcal{T}_W Z$ , hence we get

(40) 
$$Q_5(\nabla_Z fW) - Q_5(\nabla_W fZ) = fQ_5(\mathcal{V}[Z,W]).$$

Thus the proof follows from Eqs. (34), (37) and (40).

**Theorem 3.10.** Consider a semi-slant lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$ from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . Then  $D_1$  is integrable if and only if

(i) 
$$Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) = Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ),$$

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(ii)  $Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) = Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ),$ 

(iii) 
$$Q_5(\nabla_Z fW) = Q_5(\nabla_W fZ),$$

for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_1)$ 

*Proof.* Let  $\phi$  be a semi-slant submersion, then for  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_1)$ , Eq. (16) gives

(41) 
$$Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_Z f W = f Q_2 \hat{\nabla}_Z W,$$

then reversing the role of Z and W, we get

(42) 
$$Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_W f Z = f Q_2 \hat{\nabla}_W Z.$$

Further subtracting Eqs. (41) and (42), we obtain

(43) 
$$Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_Z f W - Q_1 \hat{\nabla}_W f Z = f Q_2 \mathcal{V}[Z, W].$$

Again for  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_1)$  and from Eq. (17), we have

$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) = fQ_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z W) + BP_2(\mathcal{T}_Z W).$$

Similarly, we acquire

$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = fQ_1(\hat{\nabla}_W Z) + BP_2(\mathcal{T}_W Z).$$

Then subtracting last two Eqs., we obtain

$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) - Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = fQ_1(\mathcal{V}[Z, W] - BP_2(\mathcal{T}_Z W - \mathcal{T}_W Z),$$

then using the symmetry of  $\mathcal{T}$ , the above equation reduces to

(44) 
$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) - Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = fQ_1(\mathcal{V}[Z,W].$$

Next from Eq. (20), we obtain

$$Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) = fQ_5(\hat{\nabla}_Z W).$$

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If we interchange the role of Z and W in last equation, then we get

$$Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = fQ_5(\hat{\nabla}_W Z),$$

this further gives

(45) 
$$Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) - Q_5(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = fQ_5(\mathcal{V}[Z,W])$$

Thus the proof follows from the Eqs. (43), (44) and (45).

**Theorem 3.11.** If  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  is a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $M_1$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ , then  $D_2$  is integrable if and only if

(i)  $Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW - \hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = Q_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z - \mathcal{T}_Z \omega W),$ (ii)  $Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW - \hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = Q_2(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z - \mathcal{T}_Z \omega W),$ (iii)  $Q_4(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW - \hat{\nabla}_W fZ) = Q_4(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z - \mathcal{T}_Z \omega W),$ (iv)  $P_1(\mathcal{T}_Z fW - \mathcal{T}_W fZ) = P_1(\mathcal{H} \nabla_W \omega Z - \mathcal{H} \nabla_Z \omega W),$ for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_2).$ 

*Proof.* Let  $\phi$  be a semi-slant submersion and  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , then from Eq. (16), we obtain

$$Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) + Q_1(\mathcal{T}_Z \omega W) = fQ_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z W)$$

If we interchange Z and W in the above equation, then we get

$$Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + Q_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z) = f Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_W Z),$$

this further gives

(46) 
$$Q_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW - \hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + Q_1(\mathcal{T}_Z \omega W - \mathcal{T}_W \omega Z) = fQ_2(\mathcal{V}[Z, W]).$$
  
For  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , Eq. (17) reduces to

$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) + Q_2(\mathcal{T}_Z \omega W) = fQ_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z W)$$

If we interchange Z and W in the above equation, then we get

$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + Q_2(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z) = fQ_1(\hat{\nabla}_W Z),$$

which yields that

(47) 
$$Q_2(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW - \hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + Q_2(\mathcal{T}_Z \omega W - \mathcal{T}_W \omega Z) = fQ_1(\mathcal{V}[Z, W]).$$
  
For  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , Eq. (19) gives

$$Q_4(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW) + Q_4(\mathcal{T}_Z \omega W) = fQ_4(\hat{\nabla}_Z W).$$

On reversing the role of Z and W in the above equation, we get

$$Q_4(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + Q_4(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z) = fQ_4(\hat{\nabla}_W Z),$$

above equation further becomes

(48) 
$$Q_4(\hat{\nabla}_Z fW - \hat{\nabla}_W fZ) + Q_4(\mathcal{T}_Z \omega W - \mathcal{T}_W \omega Z) = fQ_4(\mathcal{V}[Z, W]).$$

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For  $Z, W \in \Gamma(D_2)$  and from Eq. (21), we obtain

 $P_1(\mathcal{T}_Z f W) + P_1(\mathcal{H} \nabla_Z \omega W) = \omega Q_3(\hat{\nabla}_Z W).$ 

On interchanging the role of Z and W in the above equation, we obtain

$$P_1(\mathcal{T}_W fZ) + P_1(\mathcal{H}\nabla_W \omega Z) = \omega Q_3(\hat{\nabla}_W Z),$$

above equation further implies that

(49)  $P_1(\mathcal{T}_Z fW - \mathcal{T}_W fZ) + P_1(\mathcal{H}\nabla_Z \omega W - \mathcal{H}\nabla_W \omega Z) = \omega Q_3(\mathcal{V}[Z, W]).$ Thus the result follows from Eqs. (46), (47), (48) and (49).

## 4. Foliations Determined By Distributions

In this section, we will establish some necessary and sufficient conditions for the totally geodesic foliations determined by distributions on a semi-slant lightlike submersions.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . Then  $\Delta$  defines a totally geodesic foliation if and only if

 $g_1(\hat{\nabla}_W JQ_2 Z + \hat{\nabla}_W JQ_4 Z + \hat{\nabla}_W JQ_5 Z, JY) = -g_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Q_3 Z + \mathcal{T}_W \omega Q_5 Z, JY),$ for all  $W, Y \in \Gamma(\Delta)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(S(ker \phi_*)).$ 

Proof. Let  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . To prove that  $\Delta$  defines a totally geodesic foliation, it is sufficient to prove that  $\hat{\nabla}_W Y \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ , for all  $W, Y \in \Gamma(\Delta)$ . Since  $\nabla$  is a metric connection on  $M_1$ , therefore for any  $W, Y \in \Gamma(\Delta)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(S(\ker \phi_*))$ , we have

$$g_1(\nabla_W Y, Z) = g_1(\nabla_W Y - \mathcal{T}_W Y, Z) = g_1(\nabla_W Y, Z) = -g_1(Y, \nabla_W Z)$$
  

$$= -g_1(JY, J\nabla_W Z) = -g_1(\nabla_W JZ, JY)$$
  

$$= -g_1(\nabla_W (JQ_2 Z + \omega Q_3 Z + JQ_4 Z + fQ_5 Z + \omega Q_5 Z), JY)$$
  

$$= -g_1(\nabla_W JQ_2 Z + \nabla_W JQ_4 Z + \nabla_W fQ_5 Z, JY)$$
  

$$-g_1(\nabla_W \omega Q_3 Z + \nabla_W \omega Q_5 Z, JY),$$

further using Eq. (12), we get

(50) 
$$g_1(\nabla_W Y, Z) = -g_1(\nabla_W JQ_2 Z + \nabla_W JQ_4 Z + \nabla_W fQ_5 Z, JY) - g_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Q_3 Z + \mathcal{T}_W \omega Q_5 Z, JY).$$

Then from Eq. (50), we conclude that the distribution  $\Delta$  determines a totally geodesic foliation if and only if  $g_1(\hat{\nabla}_W Y, Z) = 0$ , that is, if and only if

(51) 
$$g_1(\nabla_W JQ_2 Z + \nabla_W JQ_4 Z + \nabla_W JQ_5 Z, JY) = -g_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Q_3 Z + \mathcal{T}_W \omega Q_5 Z, JY),$$

which completes the proof.

**Theorem 4.2.** Consider a semi-slant lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$ from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . Then  $D_1$  defines a totally geodesic foliation if and only if

(i) 
$$g_1(\nabla_W fZ, JY) = -g_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z, JY),$$

(ii)  $\nabla_W JN$  and  $\mathcal{T}_W JX$  have no components in  $D_1$ ,

for all  $W, Y \in \Gamma(D_1), Z \in \Gamma(D_2), X \in \Gamma(Jltr(ker \ \phi_*)), N \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \ \phi_*)).$ 

*Proof.* Since  $\nabla$  is a metric connection on  $M_1$ , therefore for any  $W, Y \in \Gamma(D_1)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$ , we have

$$g_1(\hat{\nabla}_W Y, Z) = g_1(\nabla_W Y - \mathcal{T}_W Y, Z) = g_1(\nabla_W Y, Z) = -g_1(Y, \nabla_W Z)$$
  
$$= -g_1(JY, J\nabla_W Z) = -g_1(\nabla_W JZ, JY)$$
  
$$= -g_1(\nabla_W fZ, JY) - g_1(\nabla_W \omega Z, JY)$$
  
(52) 
$$= -g_1(\hat{\nabla}_W fZ, JY) - g_1(\mathcal{T}_W \omega Z, JY).$$

Now for  $W, Y \in \Gamma(D_1)$  and  $N \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \phi_*))$ , we have

$$g_1(\nabla_W Y, N) = g_1(\nabla_W Y, N) = -g_1(Y, \nabla_W N) = -g_1(JY, J\nabla_W Y)$$
  
$$= -g_1(JY, \nabla_W JN) = -g_1(JY, \hat{\nabla}_W JN + \mathcal{T}_W JN)$$
  
$$(53) = -g_1(JY, \hat{\nabla}_W JN).$$

For  $W, Y \in \Gamma(D_1)$  and  $X \in \Gamma(Jltr(ker \phi_*))$ , we have

$$g_1(\nabla_W Y, X) = g_1(\nabla_W Y - \mathcal{T}_W Y, X) = g_1(\nabla_W Y, X) = -g_1(Y, \nabla_W X)$$
  
$$= -g_1(JY, J\nabla_W X) = -g_1(JY, \nabla_W JX)$$
  
(54)
$$= -g_1(JY, \mathcal{T}_W JX)$$

Thus the proof follows from Eqs. (52), (53) and (54).

**Theorem 4.3.** If  $\phi: M_1 \to M_2$  is a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ , then  $D_2$  defines a totally geodesic foliation if and only if

(i)  $g_1(\hat{\nabla}_X JZ, fY) = -g_1(P_2 T_X JZ, \omega Y),$ (ii)  $g_1(fY, \hat{\nabla}_X JK) = -g_1(\omega Y, P_2 \mathcal{T}_X JN),$ (iii)  $g_1(fY, \mathcal{T}_X JW) = -g_1(\omega Y, \mathcal{H}(\nabla_X JW)),$ 

for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_2), Z \in \Gamma(D_1), N \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \ \phi_*))$  and

$$W \in \Gamma(Jltr(ker \phi_*)).$$

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*Proof.* As  $\nabla$  is a metric connection on  $M_1$ , therefore for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_2)$ and  $Z \in \Gamma(D_1)$ , we have

$$g_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Y,Z) = g_{1}(\nabla_{X}Y - \mathcal{T}_{X}Y,Z) = g_{1}(\nabla_{X}Y,Z) = -g_{1}(Y,\nabla_{X}Z)$$

$$= -g_{1}(JY,J\nabla_{X}Z) = -g_{1}(\nabla_{X}JZ,JY)$$

$$= -g_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}JZ + \mathcal{T}_{X}JZ,fY + \omega Y)$$

$$= -g_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}JZ,fY) - g_{1}(\mathcal{T}_{X}JZ,\omega Y)$$

$$(55) = -g_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}JZ,fY) - g_{1}(P_{2}\mathcal{T}_{X}JZ,\omega Y).$$

For  $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_2)$  and  $N \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \phi_*))$ , we have

$$g_1(\hat{\nabla}_X Y, N) = -g_1(Y, \nabla_X N) = -g_1(JY, J\nabla_X Y)$$
  
$$= -g_1(JY, \nabla_X JN) = -g_1(fY + \omega Y, \hat{\nabla}_X JN + \mathcal{T}_X JN)$$
  
$$= -g_1(fY, \hat{\nabla}_X JN) - g_1(\omega Y, \mathcal{T}_X JN)$$
  
(56) 
$$= -g_1(fY, \hat{\nabla}_X JN) - g_1(\omega Y, P_2 \mathcal{T}_X JN)$$

Also for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_2)$  and  $W \in \Gamma(Jltr(ker \phi_*))$ , we have

$$g_{1}(\hat{\nabla}_{X}Y,W) = g_{1}(\nabla_{X}Y - \mathcal{T}_{X}Y,W) = g_{1}(\nabla_{X}Y,W) = -g_{1}(Y,\nabla_{X}W)$$
$$= -g_{1}(JY,J\nabla_{X}W) = -g_{1}(JY,\nabla_{X}JW)$$
$$= -g_{1}(fY + \omega X,\mathcal{H}\nabla_{X}JW + \mathcal{T}_{X}JW)$$
$$(57) = -g_{1}(fY,\mathcal{T}_{X}JW) - g_{1}(\omega Y,\mathcal{H}(\nabla_{X}JW)).$$

Hence the proof follows from Eqs. (55), (56) and (57).

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $M_2$ . Then  $\phi$  is a totally geodesic map if and only if

- (i)  $\omega(\hat{\nabla}_W fy + \mathcal{T}_W \omega Y) + C(P_2 T_W fY + P_2 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) = 0,$
- (ii)  $\omega(\hat{\nabla}_W J P_1 U + \hat{\nabla}_W B P_2 U + \mathcal{T}_W C P_2 U) + C(P_2 \mathcal{T}_W J P_1 U + P_2 \mathcal{T}_W B P_2 U + P_2 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W C P_2 U)) = 0,$

for each  $W, Y \in \Gamma(ker \ \phi_*)$  and  $U \in \Gamma(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\phi$  is a semi-slant lightlike submersion, we have

(58) 
$$(\nabla \phi_*)(U_1, U_2) = \nabla^{\phi}_{U_1} \phi_*(U_2) - \phi_*(\nabla_{U_1} U_2) = 0$$

for all  $U_1, U_2 \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ . Now for  $W, Y \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla\phi_*)(W,Y) &= -\phi_*(\nabla_W Y) = \phi_*(\nabla_W J^2 Y) = \phi_*(J\nabla_W JY) \\ &= \phi_*(J\nabla_W (fY + \omega Y)) = \phi_*(J\nabla_W fY + J\nabla_W \omega Y) \\ &= \phi_*(J(\mathcal{T}_W fY + \hat{\nabla}_W fY) + J(\mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) + \mathcal{T}_W \omega Y)) \\ &= \phi_*(J(P_1 \mathcal{T}_W fY + P_2 \mathcal{T}_W fY) + f\hat{\nabla}_W fY + \omega \hat{\nabla}_W fY \\ &\quad + JP_1 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) + JP_2 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) + fT_W \omega Y + \omega \mathcal{T}_W \omega Y) \\ &= \phi_*(JP_1 \mathcal{T}_W fY + BP_2 \mathcal{T}_W fY + CP_2 \mathcal{T}_W fY + \omega \hat{\nabla}_W fY \\ &\quad + f\hat{\nabla}_W fY + JP_1 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) + BP_2 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) \\ &+ CP_2 \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W \omega Y) + f\mathcal{T}_W \omega Y + \omega \mathcal{T}_W \omega Y)). \end{aligned}$$

Now for  $W \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $U \in \Gamma((\ker \phi_*)^{\perp})$ , since  $(\nabla \phi_*)(W, U) = (\nabla \phi_*)(U, W)$ , therefore we have

$$(\nabla \phi_*)(W,U) = -\phi_*(\nabla_W U) = \phi_*(J\nabla_W JU)$$

$$= \phi_*(J\nabla_W (JP_1U + BP_2U + CP_2U))$$

$$= \phi_*(J(\mathcal{T}_W JP_1U + \hat{\nabla}_W JP_1U + \mathcal{T}_W BP_2U + \hat{\nabla}_W BP_2U + \mathcal{H}(\nabla_W CP_2U) + \mathcal{T}_W CP_2U))$$

$$= \phi_*(JP_1\mathcal{T}_W JP_1U + BP_2\mathcal{T}_W JP_1U + CP_2\mathcal{T}_W JP_1U + f\hat{\nabla}_W JP_1U + \omega\hat{\nabla}_W JP_1U + JP_1\mathcal{T}_W BP_2U + BP_2\mathcal{T}_W BP_2U + CP_2\mathcal{T}_W BP_2U + f\hat{\nabla}_W BP_2U + \omega\hat{\nabla}_W BP_2U + JP_1\mathcal{H}(\nabla_W CP_2U) + BP_2\mathcal{H}(\nabla_W CP_2U) + CP_2\mathcal{H}(\nabla_W CP_2U) + f\mathcal{T}_W CP_2U + \omega\mathcal{T}_W CP_2U).$$
(60)

Thus the proof follows from Eqs. (58), (59) and (60).

# 5. Semi-Slant Lightlike Submersions with Totally Umbilical Fibres

Let  $\phi$  be a Riemannian submersion from a Riemannian manifold  $(M_1, g_1)$ onto a Riemannian manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . Then  $\phi$  is said to be a Riemannian submersion with totally umbilical fibres if there exists a mean curvature vector field H of the fibres such that  $\mathcal{T}_X Y = g_1(X, Y)H$ , for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(\ker \phi_*)$ . Since, we know that  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  respectively, denote the projections of  $tr(\ker \phi_*)$ on  $ltr(\ker \phi_*)$  and  $S(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ , then taking into account the decomposition of  $tr(\ker \phi_*)$  as  $tr(\ker \phi_*) = ltr(\ker \phi_*) \perp S(\ker \phi_*)^{\perp}$ , we have

(61) 
$$\mathcal{T}_X Y = P_1 \mathcal{T}_X Y + P_2 \mathcal{T}_X Y,$$

where  $P_1\mathcal{T}_X Y \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \ \phi_*))$  and  $P_2\mathcal{T}_X Y \in \Gamma(S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp})$ . Let  $\phi$  be a lightlike submersion defined from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  on to an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . Then  $\phi$  is said to be lightlike submersion with totally umbilical fibres if and only if on each coordinate neighbourhood U there exist smooth vector field  $H^{P_1} \in \Gamma(ltr(ker \ \phi_*))$  and  $H^{P_2} \in \Gamma(S(ker \ \phi_*)^{\perp})$ , such that

(62) 
$$P_1 \mathcal{T}_X Y = g_1(X, Y) H^{P_1}, P_2 \mathcal{T}_X Y = g_1(X, Y) H^{P_2},$$

for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(ker \phi_*)$ .

**Theorem 5.1.** Consider a semi-slant lightlike submersion  $\phi : M_1 \to M_2$ with totally umbilical fibres from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$ onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . Then we have  $H^{P_2} \in \Gamma(\phi(D_2))$ .

*Proof.* For  $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_1)$  and  $W \in \Gamma(\eta)$ , from Eqs. (2), (7), (6), (9) and (12)-(15), we obtain

(63) 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_X JY + \dot{\nabla}_X Y &= JP_1 \mathcal{T}_X Y + BP_2 \mathcal{T}_X Y + CP_2 \mathcal{T}_X Y \\ &+ f \dot{\nabla}_X Y + \omega \dot{\nabla}_X Y, \end{aligned}$$

On comparing the horizontal and transversal components in Eq. (63), we get

(64) 
$$\mathcal{T}_X JY = CP_2 \mathcal{T}_X Y + \omega \hat{\nabla}_X Y$$

and

(65) 
$$\hat{\nabla}_X Y = J P_1 \mathcal{T}_X Y + B P_2 \mathcal{T}_X Y + f \hat{\nabla}_X Y.$$

Now for  $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_1), W \in \Gamma(\eta)$  and using Eq. (64), we have

(66) 
$$g_1(\mathcal{T}_X JY, W) = g_1(CP_2\mathcal{T}_X Y, W) = -g_1(P_2\mathcal{T}_X Y, JW).$$

Also from Eq. (61), we have

(67) 
$$g_1(\mathcal{T}_X JY, W) = g_1(P_1 \mathcal{T}_X JY + P_2 \mathcal{T}_X JY, W) = g_1(P_2 \mathcal{T}_X JY, W).$$

Now from Eqs. (66) and (67), we get

(68) 
$$-g_1(P_2\mathcal{T}_XY,JW) = g_1(P_2\mathcal{T}_XJY,W).$$

Next using Eq. (62) in Eq. (68), we obtain

(69) 
$$-g_1(X, JY).g_1(H^{P_2}, W) = g_1(X, Y).g_1(H^{P_2}, JW).$$

On interchanging the role of X and Y in the above equation, we get

$$-g_1(Y,JX).g_1(H^{P_2},W) = g_1(Y,X).g_1(H^{P_2},JW),$$

which further gives

(70)  $g_1(X, JY).g_1(H^{P_2}, W) = g_1(X, Y).g_1(H^{P_2}, JW).$ 

Now adding Eqs. (68) and (70), we get

$$g_1(X,Y).g_1(H^{P_2},JW) = 0,$$

this further gives

$$g_1(H^{P_2}, JW) = 0.$$

As  $J\eta = \eta$ , thus we conclude that  $H^{P_2} \in \Gamma(\phi(D_2))$ .

**Corollary 5.2.** Let  $\phi$  be a semi-slant lightlike submersion with totally umbilical fibres from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . If  $H^{P_2} \in \Gamma(\eta)$ . Then  $H^{P_2} = 0$ .

**Theorem 5.3.** Suppose that  $\phi: M_1 \to M_2$  is a proper semi-slant lightlike submersion with totally umbilical fibres from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ . Then  $H^{P_1} = 0$ .

*Proof.* For  $Z \in \Gamma(D_2)$  and using Eqs. (2), (7), (6), (12)-(15) and Lemma (3.8), we get

$$cos heta(Z) (\mathcal{T}_Z Z^* + \hat{
abla}_Z Z^*) + \mathcal{H} 
abla_Z \omega Z + \mathcal{T}_Z \omega Z$$

(71) 
$$= CP_2\mathcal{T}_ZZ + \omega\hat{\nabla}_ZZ + JP_1\mathcal{T}_ZZ + BP_2\mathcal{T}_ZZ + f\hat{\nabla}_ZZ.$$

On comparing the transversal components on both sides of Eq. (71), we get

$$\cos\theta(Z)\hat{\nabla}_Z Z^* + \mathcal{T}_Z \omega Z = JP_1 \mathcal{T}_Z Z + BP_2 \mathcal{T}_Z Z + f\hat{\nabla}_Z Z Z$$

Further taking an inner product of the above equation with  $J\xi \in \Gamma(J\Delta)$ , we get

(72) 
$$\cos\theta(Z)g_1(\nabla_Z Z^*, J\xi) + g_1(\mathcal{T}_z \omega Z, J\xi) = g_1(JP_1\mathcal{T}_Z Z, J\xi),$$

using Eq. (12-(15) and (2)), we have

$$g_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z Z^*, J\xi) = g_1(\nabla_Z Z^*, J\xi) = -g_1(J\nabla_Z Z^*, \xi) = -g_1(\nabla_Z J Z^*, \xi)$$
  
=  $g_1(JZ^*, \nabla_Z \xi) = g_1(\omega Z^*, \mathcal{T}_Z \xi),$ 

since fibres are totally umbilical, therefore the above equation reduces to

(73) 
$$g_1(\hat{\nabla}_Z Z^*, J\xi) = g_1(\omega Z^*, H)g_1(Z, \xi) = 0$$

Also using Eqs. (12-(15) together with the totally umbilical property of fibres, we have

(74)  

$$g_1(\mathcal{T}_z \omega Z, J\xi) = g_1(\nabla_Z \omega Z, J\xi) = -g_1(\omega Z, \nabla_Z J\xi)$$

$$= -g_1(\omega Z, \mathcal{T}_z J\xi) = g_1(Z, J\xi)g_1(\omega Z, H^{P_2})$$

$$= 0.$$

From Eqs. (73) and (74) in (72), we obtain

$$g_1(JP_1\mathcal{T}_Z Z, J\xi) = 0,$$

which further yields

$$g_1(P_1\mathcal{T}_Z Z,\xi) = 0.$$

In view of Eq. (62), the above equation reduces to

$$g_1(Z,Z)g_1(H^{P_1},Z) = 0$$

By non-degeneracy of  $D_2$ , we conclude that  $H^{P_1} = 0$ . This completes the proof.

**Theorem 5.4.** Assume that

 $\phi: M_1 \to M_2$ 

is a proper semi-slant lightlike submersion with totally umbilical fibres from an indefinite Kaehler manifold  $(M_1, g_1, J)$  onto an r-lightlike manifold  $(M_2, g_2)$ such that

$$H^{P_2} \in \Gamma(\eta).$$

Then the fibres are always totally geodesics.

*Proof.* On using the Corollary (5.2) and Theorem (5.3), the result follows.

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