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CAUCHY-RIEMANN SUBMANIFOLDS OF LOCALLY CONFORMAL KAEHLER MANIFOLDS. III.

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One classifies the totally-geodesic real surfaces of a generalized Hopf manifold with flat local Kaehler metrics. The only complex submanifolds $\psi: M^m \rightarrow CH^n$ of a complex Hopf manifold having harmonic components ψ^i are the Kaehlerian submanifolds. Let M^m be a generic Cauchy-Riemann submanifold of a locally conformal Kaehler (l.c.K.) manifold M^{2n} ; if the holomorphic distribution of M^m is completely integrable and its leaves are totally-geodesic in M^m , then they are totally-umbilical in M^{2n} . The normal bundle of a complex submanifold of a l.c.K. manifold of positive holomorphic bisectional curvature has no parallel cross-sections.

1. Introduction and statement of results. Let (M^{2n}, \bar{g}, J) be a Hermitian manifold of complex dimension n , where \bar{g} denotes the Hermitian metric, while J is the complex structure. Cf. P. Libermann [20], M^{2n} is said to be a *locally conformal Kaehler* (l.c.K.) manifold if there exists an open covering $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ of M^{2n} and a family $\{f_i\}_{i \in I}$ of smooth real-valued functions $f_i \in C(U_i)$, $i \in I$, such that the local metrics $g_i = \exp(-f_i) \bar{g}$ are Kaehler. Any such two local metrics are conformally related, i. e. $g_j = \exp(f_i - f_j) g_i$, and therefore are homothetic. Consequently, the local 1-forms df_i glue up to a globally defined (closed) 1-form $\bar{\omega}$ on M^{2n} , i.e. the *Lee form*.

Let $\bar{\nabla}$ be the Levi-Civita connection of (M^{2n}, \bar{g}) . A l.c.K. manifold whose Lee form is parallel with respect to $\bar{\nabla}$ is termed a *generalized Hopf manifold*, cf. I. Vaisman [27], (or a *PK-manifold*, according to the terminology in [28]).

The geometry of l.c.K. manifolds has been intensely studied in the last decade cf. [16], [18], [26] and [30]. Especially the local geometric structure of PK-manifolds is completely known today due to a deep result of I. Vaisman, i. e. theorem 3.7. in [28, p. 275]. In turn, the study of the geometry (of the second fundamental form) of submanifolds in l.c.K. manifolds is of recent interest, cf. K. Matsumoto [21], B. Y. Chen & P. Piccinni [8], S. Ianus & al. [17], L. Ornea [22]. With the present note we continue the investigations initiated in [10], [11], [12] and [13] and obtain the following results:

Theorem 1. *Let $\psi: M^m \rightarrow M^{2n}$ be an isometric immersion of an m -dimensional Riemannian manifold (M^m, g) in the generalized Hopf manifold M^{2n} . If the local Kaehler metrics of M^{2n} are flat (i. e. M^{2n} is a P_0K -manifold) and ψ is totally-geodesic, then M^m has a flat normal connection. Moreover, the induced form $\omega = \psi^* \bar{\omega}$ is parallel. Consequently, either $\omega = 0$, and then M^m is an elliptic real space-form, or $\omega \neq 0$ everywhere, and then M^m is tangent to the Lee field of M^{2n} .*

The Ricci curvature of an arbitrary totally-geodesic submanifold M^m of a P_0K -manifold is expressed by

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$$(1.1) \quad \text{Ric} = \frac{m-2}{4} \{ \|\omega\|^2 g - \omega \otimes \omega \},$$

where $g = \psi^* \bar{g}$, i. e. M^m is *quasi-Einstein*, cf. S. Goldberg & I. Vaisman, [16, p. 118]. Combining (1.1) and Theorem 1 one obtains the complete classification of totally-geodesic surfaces:

Corollary. Let M^2 be a totally-geodesic real surface ($m=2$) of the P_0K -manifold M^{2n} . Then M^2 is a real space-form $M^2(k)$ where either $k=c^2/2$ if $M^2(k)$ is normal to the Lee field of M^{2n} , or $k=0$ if $M^2(k)$ is tangent to the Lee field.

Here $c \neq 0$ denotes the (constant) length of the Lee form of M^{2n} , while k stands for the (constant) sectional curvature of M^2 .

Let M^m be a *Cauchy-Riemann* (C.R.) submanifold of the generalized Hopf manifold M^{2n} , cf. e.g. K. Yano & M. Kon [37, p. 79], i.e. M^m carries a pair of complementary (with respect to g) distributions D, D^\perp , such that D is holomorphic, (i.e. $J_x(D_x) = D_x$, $x \in M^m$) and D^\perp is totally-real, (i.e. $J_x(D_x^\perp) \subseteq E(\psi)_x$, $x \in M^m$). Here $E(\psi) \rightarrow M^m$ denotes the normal bundle of the given immersion ψ . As to complex (i. e. $D^\perp = 0$) submanifolds we obtain:

Theorem 2. Any complex minimal submanifold M^m of a P_0K -manifold M^{2n} obeying to

$$f(1.2) \quad A_{h(x,z)} Y = A_{h(y,z)} X$$

or any tangent vector fields X, Y, Z on M^m , is locally analytically homothetic to a complex Hopf manifold.

Here h denotes the second fundamental form of ψ , while A_ξ is the Weingarten operator (associated with the normal section ξ). It is well known that each complex submanifold of a Kaehlerian manifold is minimal. In turn, if the ambient space is only l.c.K., cf. Theorem 5.1. of [27, p. 252] one has $H = -\frac{1}{2} B^\perp$, i.e. the mean curvature vector of ψ and the normal component of the Lee field are colinear, such that generally $H \neq 0$, i.e. the minimality condition in Theorem 2 is not superfluous.

Any isometric immersion ψ of a Riemannian manifold in the Euclidean space is known to be minimal if and only if it is harmonic. If the ambient space is a complex Hopf manifold (endowed with the standard l.c.K. structure, see e.g. [28]), then we obtain:

Theorem 3. Let ψ^i be the local components of an isometric immersion $\psi: M^m \rightarrow CH^n$. Let B, B^\perp be respectively the tangential and normal components of the Lee field of CH^n . Then ψ^i are harmonic (with respect to any coordinate system) if and only if the mean curvature vector H of ψ is given by $H = -\frac{1}{2} B^\perp$ and $(m-2)B = 0$. Consequently the only complex submanifolds of CH^n with ψ^i harmonic are the Kaehler submanifolds.

Let M^m be a C.R. submanifold of the P_0K -manifold M^{2n} . Then M^m admits an f -structure, cf. K. Yano [34], P defined by $PX = \tan(JX)$, for any tangent vector field X on M^m . Suppose $\omega \neq 0$ everywhere. Let $U = \|\omega\|^{-1} B$, $B = \omega^+$, (where $+$ denotes raising of indices by g), and $V = -PU$. We obtain the following:

Theorem 4. For any totally-geodesic C.R. submanifold M^m of a P_0K -manifold the tangent vector fields U, V are Killing (with respect to g) provided that ω has no singular points.

Let M^m be a C.R. submanifold of the l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} . Let $p = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} D_x$, $q = \dim_{\mathbb{R}} D_x^\perp$, $x \in M^m$. If $p=0$, then M^m is termed *totally-real*. If $q=2n-m$, i.e. $J_x(D_x^\perp) = E(\psi)_x$, $x \in M^m$, then M^m is a *generic* C.R. submanifold. Moreover, M^m is said to be

D-geodesic, cf. A. Bejancu [3, p. 39], if $h(X, Y) = 0$ for any $X, Y \in D$. Let $\bar{\theta} = \bar{\omega} \circ J$ be the anti-Lee form of M^{2n} . Let $\theta = \psi^* \bar{\theta}$. We obtain the following:

Theorem 5. Let M^m be a C.R. submanifold of the l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} .

i) The holomorphic distribution D of M^m is completely integrable and its leaves are totally-geodesic in M^m if and only if either M^m is totally-real or for any $X, Y \in D, Z \in D^\perp$, one has

$$(1.3) \quad \bar{g}(h(X, Y), JZ) + \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y) \theta(Z) = 0$$

and any leaf of D is tangent to B . Moreover, if (1.3) holds and M^m is generic, then all leaves of D are totally-umbilical in M^{2n} .

ii) If D is completely integrable and its leaves are totally-geodesic in M^{2n} , then M^m is D -geodesic. Conversely, if M^m is D -geodesic and tangent to the Lee field of M^{2n} , then the holomorphic distribution of M^m gives rise to a complex foliation on M^m whose leaves are totally-geodesic in M^{2n} .

Let $\pi: G_2(M^m) \rightarrow M^m$ be the Grassmann bundle of all 2-planes tangent to M^m . Let $\text{Riem}: G_2(M^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the Riemannian sectional curvature of (M^m, g) . Then a 2-plane $p_0 \in G_2(M^m)$ is termed anti-holomorphic if $J(p_0)$ and p_0 are orthogonal; if additionally $p_0 \subseteq \bar{D}_\pi(p_0)$, then p_0 is said to be D -anti-holomorphic. Next, cf. A. Bejancu [3, p. 96] the D -anti-holomorphic sectional curvature of the C.R. submanifold M^m is the restriction of Riem to the D -anti-holomorphic planes of M^m . Moreover D^\perp is said to be D -parallel if $\nabla_X Y \in D^\perp$ for any $X \in D$, and $Y \in D^\perp$. Here ∇ denotes the Levi-Civita connection of (M^m, g) . We obtain the following:

Theorem 6. Let M^m be a C.R. submanifold of the complex Hopf manifold $CH^n(c)$. Let us assume that i) D^\perp is D -parallel, ii) there is a constant $A > 0$ such that

$$(1.4) \quad \|h\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{\omega}\|^2 \leq \frac{c^2}{2} - 2A.$$

Then all D -anti-holomorphic sectional curvatures of M^m are $\geq A$.

Let ∇^\perp be the normal connection of the submanifold $\psi: M^m \rightarrow M^{2n}$ of the Riemannian manifold M^{2n} . A cross-section ξ is said to be parallel if $\nabla^\perp \xi = 0$. We obtain the following:

Theorem 7. Let M^m be a complex submanifold of a l.c.K. manifold of positive holomorphic bisectional curvature. Then M^m admits no parallel sections in the normal bundle.

2. Basic formulae. Let M^{2n} be a l.c.K. manifold and $\{\bar{g}_i\}_{i \in I}$ its local metrics; since each \bar{g}_i is Kaehler, one obtains $d\bar{\Omega} = \bar{\omega} \wedge \bar{\Omega}$, where $\bar{\Omega}$ is the Kaehler 2-form of M^{2n} , i.e. $\bar{\Omega}(X, Y) = \bar{g}(X, JY)$. Clearly, if $\bar{\omega} = 0$, then \bar{g} is a Kaehler metric. The l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} is said to be strongly non-Kaehler if its Lee form has no singular points, i.e. $\bar{\omega}_x \neq 0$, for any $x \in M^{2n}$. There exist various examples of complex manifolds which admit no Kaehler metrics and, in turn, possess natural l.c.K. metrics, cf. e.g. F. Tricerri [26]. For instance, let λ be a fixed complex number, $0 < |\lambda| < 1$. Let G_λ be the 0-dimensional Lie group of analytic transformations of $C^n - \{0\}$, $n > 1$, generated by $z \rightarrow \lambda z$, $z \in C^n - \{0\}$. Cf. [19, p. 137], vol. II, G_λ is a properly discontinuous group acting freely on $C^n - \{0\}$, and thus the factor space $CH^n = (C^n - \{0\})/G_\lambda$ admits a naturally induced structure of complex manifold. This is the well-known complex Hopf manifold. Its first Betti number is $b_1(CH^n) = 1$, and thus CH^n admits no Kaehler metrics. Yet the Hermitian metric $ds^2 = |z|^{-2} \delta_{ij} dz^i \otimes dz^{\bar{j}}$, $|z|^2 = \delta_{ij} z^i \bar{z}^{\bar{j}}$, $z = (z^1, \dots, z^n)$, of $C^n - \{0\}$, is G_λ -invariant and thus gives rise to a well-defined Hermitian metric \bar{g} on CH^n . This was observed to be a l.c.K. metric on CH^n , (see [28]); it is referred to as

the *Boothby metric* of CH^n . The complex Hopf manifold endowed with the Boothby metric possesses several particular features, i.e. its Lee form $\bar{\omega} = d \log |z|^2$ is parallel (with respect to the Levi-Civita connection of \bar{g}), its local Kaehler metrics (i.e. $\delta_{ij} dz^i \otimes dz^j$) are flat, i.e. CH^n is a P_0K -manifold. Moreover, $\|\bar{\omega}\| = 2$. Of course, (CH^n, g) is strongly non-Kaehler.

Let M^{2n} be a l.c.K. manifold. The Levi-Civita connections ∇^i of the local Kaehler metrics \bar{g}_i are known to glue up to a globally defined torsion-free linear connection \bar{D} on M^{2n} , i.e. the *Weyl connection*. It is expressed by

$$(2.1) \quad \bar{D}_X Y = \bar{\nabla}_X Y - \frac{1}{2} \{ \bar{\omega}(X) Y + \bar{\omega}(Y) X - \bar{g}(X, Y) \bar{B} \}.$$

Here $\bar{B} = \bar{\omega}^+$ (raising of indices is understood with respect to \bar{g}). The tangent vector fields \bar{B} and $\bar{A} = -J\bar{B}$ are referred to as the *Lee* and *anti-Lee fields* of the l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} . Each ∇^i is almost-complex, such that J is parallel with respect to the Weyl connection, i.e. $\bar{D}J = 0$. Thus (2.1) leads to:

$$(2.2) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X JY = J\bar{\nabla}_X Y + \frac{1}{2} \{ \bar{\theta}(Y) X - \bar{\omega}(Y) JX - \bar{g}(X, Y) \bar{A} - \bar{\Omega}(X, Y) \bar{B} \}.$$

As a consequence of (2.1) the curvature tensor fields \bar{K}, \bar{R} of $\bar{D}, \bar{\nabla}$ respectively are related by

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{K}(X, Y)Z = \bar{R}(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{2} \{ \bar{L}(X, Z)Y - \bar{L}(Y, Z)X \\ + \bar{g}(X, Z)\bar{L}(Y, \cdot)^+ - \bar{g}(Y, Z)\bar{L}(X, \cdot)^+ \} - \frac{1}{4} \|\bar{\omega}\|^2 (X \wedge Y)Z, \end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{L} = \bar{\nabla}\bar{\omega} + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\omega} \otimes \bar{\omega}$. See also S. I. Goldberg [14, p. 115].

Let M^m be a submanifold of the l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} ; we shall need the Gauss and Weingarten formulae

$$(2.4) \quad \bar{\nabla}XY = \nabla XY + h(X, Y), \quad \bar{\nabla}_X \xi = -A_\xi X + \nabla_X^\perp \xi$$

for any tangent vector fields X, Y on M^m , respectively any cross-section ξ in $E(\psi) \rightarrow M^m$. Let \tan_x, nor_x be the natural projections associated with the direct sum decomposition $T_x(M^{2n}) = T_x(M^m) * E(\psi)_x, x \in M^m$. We set, as usual, $FX = \text{nor}(JX)$, $t\xi = \tan(J\xi)$, $f\xi = \text{nor}(J\xi)$, where X is tangential, while ξ is normal. We define covariant derivatives of P, F, t and f in terms of ∇, ∇^\perp in the usual manner, i.e. cf. [37, p. 77]. Set $A = \tan(\bar{A}), B = \tan(\bar{B}), A^\perp = \text{nor}(\bar{A})$ and $B^\perp = \text{nor}(\bar{B})$. By (2.2) and (2.4) one obtains the following identities:

$$(2.5) \quad (\nabla_X P)Y = A_{PY}X + th(X, Y) + \frac{1}{2} \{ \theta(Y)X - \omega(Y)PX - g(X, Y)A - \Omega(X, Y)B \},$$

$$(2.6) \quad (\nabla_X F)Y = -h(X, PY) + fh(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2} \{ \omega(Y)FX + g(X, Y)A^\perp + \Omega(X, Y)B^\perp \},$$

$$(2.7) \quad (\nabla_X t)\xi = A_{t\xi}X - PA_\xi X + \frac{1}{2} \{ \bar{\theta}(\xi)X - \bar{\omega}(\xi)PX - \bar{\Omega}(X, \xi)B \},$$

$$(2.8) \quad (\nabla_X f)\xi = -h(X, t\xi) - FA_\xi X - \frac{1}{2} \{ \bar{\omega}(\xi)FX + \bar{\Omega}(X, \xi)\bar{B} \},$$

where $\Omega = \psi^* \bar{\Omega}$. Suppose now that M^{2n} is a P_0K -manifold. Then by (2.3) the curvature of M^{2n} has the following expression:

$$(2.9) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{4} \{ [\bar{\omega}(X)Y - \bar{\omega}(Y)X] \bar{\omega}(Z) + [\bar{g}(X, Z)\bar{\omega}(Y) - \bar{g}(Y, Z)\bar{\omega}(X)] \bar{B} \} + \frac{1}{4} \|\bar{\omega}\|^2 (X \wedge Y)Z.$$

Consequently, the Gauss-Codazzi-Ricci equations (i.e. eq. (2.6)–(2.7) and (2.11) in ref. [4, p. 45–47]) of M^m in the P_0K -manifold M^{2n} are

$$(2.10) \quad R(X, Y)Z = A_{h(Y, Z)}X - A_{h(X, Z)}Y + \frac{1}{4} \{ [\omega(X)Y - \omega(Y)X] \omega(Z) + [g(X, Z)\omega(Y) - g(Y, Z)\omega(X)] B \} + \frac{1}{4} \|\omega\|^2 \{ g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y \},$$

$$(2.11) \quad (\nabla_X h)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y h)(X, Z) = \frac{1}{4} \{ g(X, Z)\omega(Y) - g(Y, Z)\omega(X) \} B^\perp,$$

$$(2.12) \quad \bar{g}(R^\perp(X, Y)\xi, \eta) = g([A_\xi, A_\eta]X, Y).$$

Here R, R^\perp denote respectively the curvature tensor fields of ∇, ∇^\perp .

3. Totally-geodesic submanifolds of generalized Hopf manifolds. Suppose ψ is totally-geodesic, i. e. $h=0$. By (1.12) in [4, p. 41] and (2.4), it follows that M^m has a flat normal connection, i.e. $R^\perp=0$. As $\bar{\nabla} \bar{\omega}=0$, the Gauss formula in (2.4) leads to

$$(3.1) \quad \nabla_X \omega = A_{B^\perp} X.$$

Therefore, if $h=0$, then ω is parallel, too. Thus $\|\omega\| = \text{const}$. Consequently, either $\omega=0$ i.e. M^m is normal to the Lee field of M^{2n} , or $\omega_x \neq 0$, at any $x \in M^m$. If this is the case then $B^\perp=0$, i.e. M^m is tangent to the Lee field of M^{2n} , as a consequence of the Codazzi equation (2.11). The proof is by contradiction. Indeed, if B^\perp were non-vanishing at some $x \in M^m$, then $\langle u, \omega \rangle_{\omega_x(v)} - \langle v, \omega \rangle_{\omega_x(u)} = 0$, for any $u, v, \omega \in T_x(M^m)$. Here $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = g_x$. For u arbitrary, we may choose $v = \omega, \|\omega\|=1, \langle u, \omega \rangle = 0$. Thus $\omega_x = 0$, is a contradiction. Our Theorem 1 is completely proved. Of course, we are concerned with the case of a non-Kaehler (i.e. $\|\bar{\omega}\| \neq 0$) ambient P_0K -manifold. Thus, if M^m is normal to \bar{B} , then B^\perp is nowhere vanishing.

To prove the corollary, let us put $c = \|\bar{\omega}\|, c > 0$. Thus, if $\omega=0$, then M^m is an elliptic space-form (the constant sectional curvature equals $c^2/2$) by (2.10), provided that $h=0$. For the remaining situation (i.e. when $B^\perp=0$) the Ricci curvature of M^m , obtained by suitable contraction of indices in (2.10)) is given by (1.1). This yields our corollary. Indeed, if $B^\perp=0$, then (1.1) holds and thus M^m is Ricci flat. Consequently $R=0$, i.e. M^m is flat (for surfaces the two notions are known to coincide).

4. Complex submanifolds of generalized Hopf manifolds. Let us examine now the case of invariant (i.e. $J_x(T_x(M^m)) = T_x(M^m), x \in M^m$) submanifolds M^m in the PK -manifold M^{2n} . Using (2.2) and the Gauss formula in (2.4), one obtains

$$(4.1) \quad h(X, JY) = Jh(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2} \{ g(X, Y)A^\perp + \Omega(X, Y)B^\perp \}.$$

Note that (4.1) also furnishes $h(JX, JY) = -h(X, Y) - g(X, Y)B^\perp$. Therefore, the mean curvature vector $H = \frac{1}{m} \text{Trace}(h)$ of ψ is expressed by

$$(4.2) \quad H = -\frac{1}{2} B^\perp.$$

Hence, if ψ is minimal ($H=0$), then by (3.1) one has $\|\omega\|=\text{const}$. Therefore, as $c \neq 0$ a minimal invariant submanifold of a PK -manifold is a strongly non-Kaehler PK -manifold itself. Let us prove now our Theorem 2. To this end, let $g_i = \psi^* g_i$, $i \in I$. Set $D_X Y = \tan(\bar{D}_X Y)$, for any tangent vector fields X, Y on M^m . Then D is a torsion-free linear connection on M^m . By (2.1), (2.4), it is related to the Levi-Civita connection of (M^m, g) by

$$(4.3) \quad D_X Y = \nabla_X Y - \frac{1}{2} \{ \omega(X) Y - \omega(Y) X - g(X, Y) B \}.$$

Clearly D is the Levi-Civita connection of the induced local metrics g_i . Let K be its curvature tensor field. Let $S(X, Y) = \text{nor}(\bar{D}_X Y)$, where X, Y are tangential. Again (2.1), (2.4) furnish

$$(4.4) \quad S(X, Y) = h(X, Y) + \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y) B^\perp.$$

By Equation (2.6) of [4, p. 45] one has

$$(4.5) \quad g_i(K(X, Y)Z, W) = \bar{g}_i(S(X, W), S(Y, Z)) - \bar{g}_i(S(X, Z), S(Y, W))$$

provided that M^{2n} is a P_0K -manifold (i.e. $\bar{K}=0$). Actually (4.5) is the Gauss equation of $M_i = M^m \cap U_i$ in the flat Kaehler manifold $(U_i, \bar{g}_i, \mathcal{J})$. It is supposed tacitly that the imbedding $\psi: M^m \rightarrow M^{2n}$ is regular, such that M_i is open in M^m . Assume now that M^m is invariant and minimal. Let $m=2s$. Then, since $\omega \neq 0$, by our (4.4)–(4.5), M^{2s} is a P_0K -manifold if and only if (1.2) holds. As $s \geq 2$ (indeed, if $s=1$, then $d\Omega=0$ and M^2 is Kaehler; thus $\omega=0$, a contradiction) one may apply Theorem 3.8. in [28, p. 277] to obtain our Theorem 2.

Let $\psi: M^m \rightarrow CH^n$ be an isometric immersion of the Riemannian manifold (M^m, g) in the complex Hopf manifold endowed with the Boothby metric. Due to the Vaisman theorem, i.e. theorem 3.8. of [28, p. 277], a P_0K -manifold with $\|\omega\|=c$ will be denoted by $CH^n(c)$. To unify notation $CH^n = CH^n(2)$. If $\{E_a\}_{1 \leq a \leq m}$ is a tangential orthonormal frame, the Laplacian (on functions) Δ of M^m is given by

$$(4.6) \quad \Delta f = \delta^{ab} \{ E_a(E_b(f)) - (\nabla_{E_a} E_b)(f) \}$$

for any $f \in C^\infty(M^m)$. Let (U, x^i) be a local system of real analytic coordinates on CH^n . Let $\psi^i = x^i \circ \psi$, $1 \leq i \leq 2n$, be the equations of M^m in CH^n . The Weyl connection \bar{D} of CH^n satisfies

$$(4.7) \quad \bar{D}_{E_a} E_b = E_a(E_b \psi^i) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}.$$

On the other hand, (2.1) leads to

$$(4.8) \quad \bar{D}_{E_a} E_a = \bar{\nabla}_{E_a} E_a + \frac{1}{2} \bar{B} - \omega(E_a) E_a.$$

At this point (4.6)–(4.8) and (2.4) lead to

$$(4.9) \quad \Delta \psi^i = m H^i - B(\psi^i) + \frac{m}{2} \bar{B}(\psi^i).$$

Thus ψ^i are harmonic if and only if (4.2) holds and $(m-2) B=0$. Let M^m be invariant. Then (4.2) holds. Thus $\Delta \psi^i = 0$ yields either $m=2$ (and thus $d\Omega=0$) or $m \neq 2$ and then $B=0$, by (4.9).

5. Proof of theorem 4. Let M^m be a C.R. submanifold of the l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} . Note that P is D -valued, while F vanishes on D ; thus $P^2 + tF = -I$ and $P^3 + P$

$=0$, i.e. P is an f -structure on M^m . This is stated in [37, p. 86] under the assumption that M^{2n} is Kaehler, but clearly holds for the general case of an almost Hermitian ambient space. We consider only C.R. submanifolds (of PK -manifolds) obeying $\omega_x \neq 0$, at any $x \in M^m$. Thus we may set $u = \|\omega\|^{-1}\omega$, $U = u^+$. The following identities are obvious:

$$(5.1) \quad u = -v \circ P - u \circ t \circ F, \quad u(V) = v(U) = 0, \quad V = -PU,$$

where $v = u \circ P$, $V = v^+$. Indices are raised with respect to g . Next one has

$$(5.2) \quad A = \|\omega\| V - tB, \quad A^\perp = -\|\omega\| FU - fB.$$

Clearly $\Omega(X, Y) = g(X, FY)$. Set $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}\|\omega\|$. Substitute $\omega = 2\alpha u$ in (3.1). Since ∇ is torsion-free and h symmetric, $da \otimes u$ must be symmetric, too. Thus $da = U(a)u$. This yields

$$(5.3) \quad \alpha \nabla u + U(a)u \otimes u = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\omega} \circ h.$$

Applying the isomorphism $+$ to (5.3), we also obtain

$$(5.4) \quad \nabla U = \frac{1}{2\alpha} A_{B^\perp} - U(\log \alpha)u \otimes U.$$

As ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection of (M^m, g) we may write

$$(5.5) \quad 2g(\nabla_X U, Y) = 2(du)(X, Y) + (L_U g)(X, Y).$$

Here L denotes the Lie derivative. Note that $da \wedge u = 0$; therefore $d\omega = 0$ leads to $du = 0$. At this point (5.4)–(5.5) give

$$(5.6) \quad (L_U g)(X, Y) = \frac{1}{\alpha} g(A_{B^\perp} X, Y) - 2U(\log \alpha)u(X)u(Y).$$

Therefore, if M^m is tangent to the Lee field of M^{2n} , then U is a Killing vector field, for the induced metric g . To prove the second part of Theorem 4., note that (5.1), (5.4) lead to

$$(5.7) \quad \nabla_X V = -(\nabla_X P)U.$$

At this point we may use (2.5) and the identities $\theta(U) = 0$, $\omega(U) = 2\alpha$, $\Omega(U, X) = v(X)$, such as to obtain $(\nabla_X F)U = -\alpha PX - \frac{1}{2}u(X)A + \frac{1}{2}v(X)B$. Let us substitute in (5.7). We obtain

$$(5.8) \quad \nabla V = \alpha P + \frac{1}{2}\{u \otimes A - v \otimes B\}.$$

Finally, (5.8) and $(L_V g)(X, Y) = g(\nabla_X V, Y) + g(X, \nabla_Y V)$ lead to $L_V g = 0$, provided that $h = 0$.

6. Holomorphic distributions with totally-geodesic leaves. In this paragraph we shall prove our Theorem 5. To this end, suppose D is integrable. Let L be a leaf of D and $i: L \rightarrow M^m$ the canonical inclusion. We denote by ∇^L, h^L respectively the Levi-Civita connection of i^*g and the second fundamental form of i . Let us assume $h^L = 0$. By the Gauss formula $\nabla_X Y = \nabla_X^L Y$, i.e. $\nabla_X Y \in D$, for all $X, Y \in D$. Using this fact, (4.4) and $\bar{D}J = 0$, one obtains

$$(6.1) \quad \bar{g}(h(X, Y), JZ) + \frac{1}{2}g(X, Y)\theta(Z) = -\frac{1}{2}\Omega(X, Y)\omega(Z)$$

for any $X, Y \in D, Z \in D^\perp$. Now the left hand (respectively the right hand) member of (6.1) is symmetric (respectively skew-symmetric) in X, Y . Consequently, both sides of (6.1) vanish, one leading to (1.3), the other giving $\Omega(X, Y)\omega(Z)=0$. We distinguish two possibilities. Either $p=0$, i.e. M^m is totally-real, or $p \neq 0$, and then $\omega=0$ on D^\perp , i.e. $B \in D$. Conversely, let us see that (1.3) yields the involutivity of D . Let $X, Y \in D, Z \in D^\perp$. As \bar{D} is torsion-free and almost-complex, we obtain $g([X, Y], Z) = \bar{g}(S(X, JY), JZ) - \bar{g}(S(Y, JX), JZ)$. Substitution from (4.4) leads to $g([X, Y], Z) = \bar{g}(h(X, JY), JZ) - \bar{g}(h(Y, JX), JZ) + \Omega(X, Y)\theta(Z)$, i.e. $g([X, Y], Z)=0$ as a consequence of (1.3). Let ι_x, ι_x^\perp be the natural projections of the direct sum decomposition $T_x(M^m) = D_x \oplus D_x^\perp$. The next step is to show that under the assumptions (3.1) and $\iota^\perp B=0$, each leaf L of D is totally-geodesic in M^m . Using (2.1) and $\bar{D}J=0$, for any $X, Y \in D, Z \in D^\perp$, one has

$$\begin{aligned} g(h^L(X, Y), Z) &= g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, Z) = \bar{g}(\bar{D}_X Y, Z) - \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y) \bar{g}(\bar{B}, Z) \\ &= \bar{g}(\bar{D}_X JY, JZ) - \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y) \omega(Z) = \bar{g}(S(X, JY), JZ) - \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y) \omega(Z). \end{aligned}$$

Now we use (4.4), (1.3) and the fact that $D^\perp \rightarrow L$ is precisely the normal bundle of $i: L \rightarrow M^m$ such as to obtain

$$(6.2) \quad h^L = -\frac{1}{2} g \oplus \iota^\perp B.$$

Thus (1.3) by itself yields totally-umbilicity of $i: L \rightarrow M^m$. Finally, by $B \in D$, our i is also minimal. To prove the second part of the statement i), let M^m be a generic C.R. submanifold. Then the normal bundle of M^m in M^{2n} is precisely $J(D^\perp) \rightarrow M^m$ and thus (1.3) gives

$$(6.3) \quad h(X, Y) = -\frac{1}{2} g(X, Y) B^\perp$$

for any $X, Y \in D$. Since $h^L=0$, the second fundamental form of L in M^{2n} is precisely (6.3).

Suppose now that D is integrable and its leaves are totally-geodesic in M^{2n} . Consequently, $\bar{\nabla}_X Y \in D$, for all $X, Y \in D$. Let ξ be a cross-section in $E(\psi)$: then $\bar{g}(h(X, Y), \xi) = \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, \xi) = 0$, i.e. M^m is D -geodesic. Conversely, suppose M^m is D -geodesic. Then computation (similar to the proof of (6.2)) leads to

$$(6.4) \quad \iota^\perp [X, Y] = -\Omega(X, Y) \iota B^\perp$$

for any $X, Y \in D$. Our Theorem 5 is completely proved.

7. Pinching on C.R. submanifolds. Let M^m be a submanifold of the P_0K -manifold $CH^n(c)$, $c = \|\omega\|$. Let $\text{Riem}: G_2(M^m) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be its Riemannian sectional curvature. Let X, Y be two orthonormal tangent vector fields on M^m ; the Gauss equation (2.10) leads to

$$(7.1) \quad \text{Riem}(\sigma_{XY}) = \frac{c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{4} [\omega(X)^2 + \omega(Y)^2] + \bar{g}(h(X, X), h(Y, Y)) - \|h(X, Y)\|^2.$$

Here $\sigma_{XY} \in G_2(M^m)$ is the 2-plane spanned by X, Y . Let $\{\xi_a\}_{1 \leq a \leq 2n-m}$ be a (locally defined) orthonormal frame of $E(\psi) \rightarrow M^m$. Set $A_a = A_{\xi_a}$, $1 \leq a \leq 2n-m$. For any tangent vector fields X, Y on M^m , suitable contraction of indices in (2.10) furnishes the following expression of the Ricci curvature:

$$(7.2) \quad \text{Ric}(X, Y) = m\bar{g}(h(X, Y), H) - \sum_{a=1}^{2n-m} g(A_a^2 X, Y) + \frac{1}{4} \{(m-1)c^2 - \|\omega\|^2\} g(X, Y) - \frac{m-2}{4} \omega(X)\omega(Y).$$

Let $\{E_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq m}$ be a (locally defined) tangential orthonormal frame. Set $h(E_i, E_j) = h_{ij}^a \xi_a$. Then

$$(7.3) \quad \|h\|^2 = \sum_{a,i,j} (h_{ij}^a)^2.$$

Moreover, by (7.1), the sectional curvature of the 2-plane spanned by $E_i, E_j, i \neq j$, is expressed by

$$(7.4) \quad \text{Riem}(\sigma_{E_i E_j}) = \frac{c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \{\omega_i^2 + \omega_j^2\} + \sum_a \{h_{ii}^a h_{jj}^a - (h_{ij}^a)^2\},$$

where $\omega(E_i) = \omega_i$. We need to establish the following:

Lemma 7.1. *Let M^m be a proper (i.e. $p \neq 0, q \neq 0$) C.R. submanifold of the l.c.K. manifold M^{2n} . Then its totally-real distribution is D -parallel if and only if (1.3) holds and $B \in D$.*

Proof. The proof follows from $\bar{g}(h(X, Y), JZ) + \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y)\theta(Z) = g(JY, \nabla_X Z) - \frac{1}{2} \Omega(X, Y)\omega(Z)$, for any $X, Y \in D, Z \in D^\perp$, by computations similar to those carried on during the proof of Theorem 5.

Remark. Cf. our Theorem 5, the totally-real distribution of M^m is D -parallel if and only if D is integrable and its leaves are totally-geodesic in M^m .

Let us prove our Theorem 6. Let v_x be the orthogonal complement of $J_x(D_x^\perp)$ in $E(\psi)_x, x \in M^m$. We choose an orthonormal frame on $CH^n(c)$ in the following manner. Let $p_0 \in G_2(M^m)$ be a D -anti-holomorphic 2-plane and let $\{E_1, E_2\}$ be an orthonormal pair of tangent vector fields such that $E_i \in D, i=1, 2$, and $\{E_{1,x}, E_{2,x}\}$ span p_0 , where $x = \pi(p_0)$. Let $\{E_A\}_{1 \leq A \leq 2p}$ be an orthonormal frame of D , otherwise written $\{E_p, E_{i^*}\}, E_{i^*} = JE_i, i^* = i+p, 1 \leq i \leq p$. Next we consider $F_a \in D^\perp, 1 \leq a \leq q$, an orthonormal frame. Set $F_{a^*} = JF_a, a^* = a+q$. Finally, let $\{V_\alpha, V_{\alpha^*}\}, V_{\alpha^*} = JV_\alpha, 1 \leq \alpha \leq r, \alpha^* = \alpha+r$, be an orthonormal frame of v . Here $2r = 2n - m - q$. Then $\{E_A, F_a, F_{a^*}, V_\alpha, V_{\alpha^*}\}$ is an orthonormal frame on $CH^n(c)$, such that $\{E_p, E_{i^*}, F_a\}$ are tangential, while $\{F_{a^*}, V_\alpha, V_{\alpha^*}\}$ are normal. As D^\perp is supposed to be D -parallel, by Lemma 7.1. we obtain

$$(7.5) \quad h_{ij}^a + \frac{1}{2} \theta(F_a) \delta_{ij} = 0.$$

Consider $Y \in D$. By (2.2), (2.4), one obtains

$$(7.6) \quad h(X, JY) = F_{\nabla_X Y} + fh(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2} \{\omega(Y)FX + g(X, Y)A^\perp + \Omega(X, Y)B^\perp\}$$

for any X tangent to M^m . Suppose now $X \in D$. Since, as observed above, one may combine Lemma 7.1. and Theorem 5, it follows that the leaves of D are totally-geodesic in M^m , i.e. $\nabla_X Y \in D$. But $F=0$ on D such that (7.6) becomes

$$(7.7) \quad h(X, JY) = fh(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2} \{g(X, Y)A^\perp + \Omega(X, Y)B^\perp\}.$$

Consequently

$$(7.8) \quad h(JX, JY) = f^2 h(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2} \{g(X, Y)[fA^\perp + B^\perp] - \Omega(X, Y)[fB^\perp + A^\perp]\}$$

for any $X, Y \in D$. The following identities hold:

$$(7.9) \quad Pt + tf = 0, \quad Ft + f^2 = -i$$

as direct consequences of definitions. But t is D^\perp -valued, while $P=0$ on D^\perp . Thus $Pt=0$. By (7.9) one also has $tf=0$. Now, if $Z \in D^\perp$, then $g(fFZ, \xi) = g(Z, tf\xi) = 0$, such that $fF=0$. Consequently f vanishes on $J(D^\perp)$. Note also that the following identities hold:

$$(7.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \theta(F_a) &= (B^\perp)^a, \\ (B^\perp)^a &= -(A^\perp)^{a*} = \bar{\omega}(V_a), \\ (B^\perp)^{a*} &= (A^\perp)^a = \bar{\theta}(V_a). \end{aligned}$$

Now (7.8) leads to

$$(7.11) \quad \begin{aligned} h_{ij}^a &= h_{i^*j^*}^a = -\frac{1}{2} \theta(F_a) \delta_{ij}, \\ h_{i^*j^*}^a &= -h_{ij}^a - \bar{\omega}(V_a) \delta_{ij}, \\ h_{i^*j^*}^{a*} &= -h_{ij}^{a*} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{\theta}(V_a) \delta_{ij}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, (7.4) shows that

$$(7.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Riem}(p_0) &= \frac{c^2}{4} - \frac{1}{4} [\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2] + \sum_a \{h_{11}^a h_{22}^a - (h_{12}^a)^2\} \\ &\quad + \sum_a \{h_{11}^a h_{22}^a + h_{11}^{a*} h_{22}^{a*} - (h_{12}^a)^2 - (h_{12}^{a*})^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

Following the line in [4, p. 98], one obtains

$$(7.13) \quad \|h\|^2 \geq 2 \sum_a \{(h_{12}^a)^2 - h_{11}^a h_{22}^a\} + 2 \sum_a \{(h_{12}^a)^2 - h_{11}^a h_{22}^a + (h_{12}^{a*})^2 - h_{11}^{a*} h_{22}^{a*}\}.$$

Finally, (1.4), (7.12)–(7.13) lead to $\text{Riem}(p_0) \geq A$, Q.E.D.

8. Proof of Theorem 7. Let M^{2n} be a l.c.K. manifold. Let σ, σ' be two holomorphic 2-planes on M^{2n} ; we recall, cf. [23], [24], the concept of *holomorphic bisectonal curvature* of M^{2n} , i.e. if $\pi(\sigma) = \pi(\sigma') = x$, $x \in M^{2n}$, and if $u \in \sigma$, $v \in \sigma'$ are two unit tangent vectors, then we define

$$\text{Riz}(\sigma, \sigma') = \langle \bar{R}_x(v, J_x v) J_x u, u \rangle,$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle = \bar{g}_x$. The definition of $\text{Riz}(\sigma, \sigma')$ does not depend upon the choice of unit vectors u, v in σ, σ' , respectively.

The proof of our Theorem 7 is by contradiction. Let M^m be a complex submanifold of a l.c.K. manifold obeying $\text{Riz} > 0$. Suppose ξ is a parallel section in $E(\psi)$. Then $R^\perp(X, Y)\xi = 0$ and the Ricci equation, i.e. eq. (2.11) of [4, p. 47] leads to

$$(8.1) \quad \bar{g}(\bar{R}(X, Y)\xi, \eta) = -g([A_\xi, A_\eta]X, Y).$$

Let X be a unit tangent vector field. Let $Y = JX$, $\eta = J\xi$, in (8.1). If $\xi \neq 0$, then there is $x \in M^m$ such that $\xi_x \neq 0$; let $N = \|\xi_x\|^{-1} \xi_x$. Let σ, σ' be the holomorphic 2-planes spanned by $\{u, J_x u\}$, $u = X_x$ and respectively by $\{N, J_x N\}$. Then we may combine (8.1) and the following:

Lemma 8.1. For any cross-section ξ in the normal bundle of a complex submanifold M^m of a l.c.K. manifold the following identity holds:

$$(8.2) \quad [A_\xi, A_{J\xi}] = -2J\{A_\xi + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\omega}(\xi) I\}^2,$$

where I denotes the identical transformation.

Indeed, as $A_\xi + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\omega}(\xi)I$ is self-adjoint, (8.1)-(8.2) lead to

$$(8.3) \quad \|\xi_x\|^2 \text{Riz}(\sigma, \sigma') = -2 \|A_\xi X + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\omega}(\xi)X\|_x^2 \leq 0$$

a contradiction. All we need is to prove Lemma 8.1. This follows by computation from the identities

$$(8.4) \quad \begin{aligned} A_{J\xi} &= JA_\xi + \frac{1}{2}\{\bar{\omega}(\xi)J - \bar{\theta}(\xi)I\}, \\ JA_\xi &= -A_\xi J - \bar{\omega}(\xi)J. \end{aligned}$$

In turn, (8.4) is a consequence of (2.2), (2.4).

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