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## AN AXIOM ON GENERALIZED BOCHNER FLAT SUBMANIFOLDS IN ALMOST HERMITIAN MANIFOLDS

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Totally quasiumbilical  $\sigma$ -submanifolds in almost Hermitian manifolds are studied. A characterization of generalized Bochner flat almost Hermitian manifolds is given. Kählerian manifolds which are Bochner flat are also investigated.

**1. Introduction.** On the axioms of submanifolds in Riemannian geometry the results of Cartan [1], Leung and Nomizu [7], Lindt and Verstraelen [8], Schouten [11], Yano and Mutô [15] are well known.

In the almost Hermitian geometry the following theorems are known.

**Theorem A [13].** Let  $M$  be a  $2m$ -dimensional RK-manifold. If  $M$  satisfies the axiom of antiholomorphic  $p$ -planes ( $p$ -spheres) for some  $p$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq m$ , then  $M$  is with pointwise constant holomorphic sectional curvature.

**Theorem B [13].** Let  $M$  be a  $2m$ -dimensional RK-manifold. If  $M$  satisfies the axiom of holomorphic  $2p$ -spheres ( $2p$ -planes) for some  $p$ ,  $1 \leq p < m$ , then  $M$  is with pointwise constant holomorphic sectional curvature.

**Theorem C [13].** Let  $M$  be a  $2m$ -dimensional connected NK-manifold or a parakählerian manifold. If  $M$  satisfies the axiom of antiholomorphic (holomorphic)  $p$ -spheres, for some  $p$  ( $1 \leq p < m$ ) and  $\dim M \geq 6$ , then  $M$  is a complex-space-form.

A summary of these results has been made by Kassabov [6] in following lines:

**Theorem D.** Let  $M$  be a  $2m$ -dimensional almost Hermitian manifold,  $m \geq 2$ . If  $M$  satisfies the axiom of holomorphic  $2n$ -planes ( $2n$ -spheres) for some  $n$ ,  $2 \leq n < m$ , then  $M$  is an RK-manifold with pointwise constant holomorphic sectional curvature.

**Theorem E.** Let  $M$  be a  $2m$ -dimensional connected almost Hermitian manifold,  $m \geq 3$ . If  $M$  satisfies the axiom of antiholomorphic  $n$ -planes or the axiom of antiholomorphic  $n$ -spheres for some  $n$ ,  $2 \leq n \leq m$ , then  $M$  is one of the following:

- 1) a real-space-form, or
- 2) a complex-space-form.

**Theorem F [9].** If the Kählerian manifold  $M$  of real dimension  $2m \geq 6$  satisfies the axiom of holomorphic (antiholomorphic)  $2n$ -planes and  $1 \leq n \leq m-1$  (respectively  $2 \leq n \leq m$ ), then  $M$  is a complex-space-form.

**Theorem G [3].** A Kählerian manifold of real dimension  $2m \geq 6$  with complex structure  $J$  is a complex-space-form if and only if it satisfies the axiom of  $J\xi$ -quasiumbilical hypersurfaces, where  $\xi$  is the hypersurface normal.

**Theorem H [8].** A Kählerian manifold of real dimension  $2m \geq 6$  with complex structure  $J$  is flat if and only if it satisfies the axiom of  $J\xi$ -hypercylinders, where  $\xi$  is the hypercylinder normal.

Our aim is to study totally quasiumbilical submanifolds in almost Hermitian and Kählerian manifolds and axioms related to them.

**2. Preliminaries.** Let  $\tilde{M}$  be a  $2n$ -dimensional almost Hermitian manifold with metric  $\tilde{g}$ , almost complex structure  $\tilde{J}$ , Levi-Civita connection  $\tilde{\nabla}$  and curvature

tensor  $\tilde{R}$ . Let  $M$  be a complex submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$  of real dimension  $2m$  ( $1 \leq m \leq n-1$ ) with induced metric tensor  $g$ , almost complex structure  $J$ , Levi — Civita connection  $\nabla$  and curvature tensor  $R$ .

For each point  $p \in M$ , let  $U(p)$  be a neighbourhood of  $p$ , and  $\{\xi_i, \tilde{J}\xi_i; i=1, 2, \dots, n-m\}$ , be mutually orthogonal unit vector fields, normal to  $M$ . Then from the equation of Gauss  $\tilde{\nabla}_x y = \nabla_x y + \sigma(x, y)$  for arbitrary vector fields  $x, y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , we have

$$(1) \quad \sigma(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-m} (h_i(x, y)\xi_i + k_i(x, y)\tilde{J}\xi_i),$$

where  $h_i(x, y)$  and  $k_i(x, y)$  for each fixed  $i$  are symmetric covariant tensor field of type (0,2) on  $U(p)$ .

Definition [10]. A  $2m$ -dimensional invariant submanifold  $M$  of  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be a  $\sigma$ -submanifold if the second fundamental form  $\sigma$  is complex bilinear, i. e.

$$(2) \quad \tilde{J}\sigma(x, y) = \sigma(Jx, y) = \sigma(x, Jy),$$

for arbitrary vector fields  $x, y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

In [3] and [12] with every LC-tensor  $R$  is associated a  $K$ -tensor  $R^*$ , which has the same holomorphic sectional curvatures as  $R$ . The tensor  $R^*$  is expressed by  $R$

$$(3) \quad R^*(x, y, z, u) = \frac{3}{16}(R(x, y, z, u) + R(x, y, Jz, Ju) + R(Jx, Jy, z, u) + R(Jx, Jy, Jz, Ju)) + \frac{1}{16}(R(Jx, Jz, y, u) + R(x, z, Jy, Ju) - R(Jy, Jz, x, u) - R(y, z, Jx, Ju) + R(y, Jz, Jx, u) + R(Jy, z, x, Ju) - R(x, Jz, Jy, u) - R(Jx, z, y, Ju)).$$

From the formula (3) under condition (2) and the equation of Gauss

$$(4) \quad \tilde{R}(x, y, z, u) = R(x, y, z, u) + \tilde{g}(\sigma(x, z), \sigma(y, u)) - \tilde{g}(\sigma(x, u), \sigma(y, z))$$

as a result of long calculations we find the following equation connecting the tensors  $\tilde{R}^*$  of  $\tilde{M}$  and  $R^*$  of an arbitrary  $\sigma$ -submanifold  $M$  of  $\tilde{M}$ :

$$(5) \quad \tilde{R}^*(x, y, z, u) = R^*(x, y, z, u) + \tilde{g}(\sigma(x, z), \sigma(y, u)) - \tilde{g}(\sigma(x, u), \sigma(y, z)).$$

The generalized Bochner tensor ([4], [12]) associated with  $R^*$  is

$$(6) \quad B^*(x, y, z, u) = R^*(x, y, z, u) - \frac{1}{2(m+2)} \{g(y, z)S^*(x, u) + g(x, u)S^*(y, z) - g(x, z)S^*(y, u) - g(y, u)S^*(x, z) + g(Jy, z)S^*(Jx, u) + g(Jx, u)S^*(Jy, z) - g(Jx, z)S^*(Jy, u) - g(Jy, u)S^*(Jx, z) - 2g(Jx, y)S^*(Jz, u) - 2g(Jz, u)S^*(Jx, y)\} + \frac{S_R^*(p)}{4(m+1)(m+2)} \{g(y, z)g(x, u) - g(x, z)g(y, u) + g(Jy, z)g(Jx, u) - g(Jx, z)g(Jy, u) - 2g(Jx, y)g(Jz, u)\},$$

where  $S^*(x, y)$  and  $S_R^*(p)$  denotes the Ricci tensor and the scalar curvature with respect to the tensor  $R^*$ .

**Definition [2].** A submanifold  $M$  of  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be totally quasiumbilical if there exist functions  $\alpha_i, \bar{\alpha}_i, \beta_i, \bar{\beta}_i$  and unit 1-forms  $\omega_i, \bar{\omega}_i$  ( $i=1, 2, \dots, n-m$ ), such that

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} h_i &= \alpha_i g + \beta_i \omega_i \otimes \omega_i, \\ k_i &= \bar{\alpha}_i g + \bar{\beta}_i \bar{\omega}_i \otimes \bar{\omega}_i, \end{aligned}$$

in  $U(p)$ . In particular, if  $\alpha_i = \bar{\alpha}_i = 0$  for each  $i$ , then  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be totally cylindrical submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ ; if  $\alpha_i = \bar{\alpha}_i = \beta_i = \bar{\beta}_i = 0$  for each  $i$ , then  $M$  is said to be totally geodesic submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$  and if  $\beta_i = \bar{\beta}_i = 0$  for each  $i$ , then  $M$  is said to be totally umbilical.

**3. Generalized Bochner flat almost Hermitian manifolds.** We shall call an almost Hermitian manifold generalized Bochner flat if the generalized Bochner curvature tensor is zero. The following Lemma is valid for such manifold:

**Lemma.** An almost Hermitian manifold  $M$  of real dimension  $2m \geq 8$  is generalized Bochner flat if and only if  $R^*(x, y, z, u) = 0$  for every orthonormal antiholomorphic quadruple in every point.

**Proof.** From (6) it follows that  $R^*(x, y, z, u) = 0$  for every orthonormal antiholomorphic quadruple.

The opposite follows as in Theorem 12 [14].

**Definition.** An almost Hermitian manifold  $\tilde{M}$  of real dimension  $2n > 8$  is said to satisfy the axiom of generalized Bochner flat totally quasiumbilical  $\sigma$ -submanifolds if for every  $p \in \tilde{M}$  and any  $2m$ -dimensional section  $H$  in the tangential space  $T_p(\tilde{M})$ ,  $4 \leq m < n$  there exists a generalized Bochner flat totally quasiumbilical  $\sigma$ -submanifold  $M$  passing through  $p$  such that  $T_p(M) = H$ .

**Theorem 1.** If an almost Hermitian manifold  $\tilde{M}$  of real dimension  $2n > 8$  satisfies the axiom of generalized Bochner flat totally quasiumbilical  $\sigma$ -submanifolds, then it is generalized Bochner flat.

**Proof.** From (5) and (7) for every totally quasiumbilical  $\sigma$ -submanifold  $M$  of  $\tilde{M}$  we have

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{R}^*(x, y, z, u) &= R^*(x, y, z, u) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-m} \{(\alpha_i^2 + \bar{\alpha}_i^2)(g(x, z)g(y, z) - g(x, u)g(y, z)) \\ &\quad + (\alpha_i \bar{\alpha}_i + \beta_i \bar{\beta}_i)[g(x, z)(\omega_i(y)\omega_i(u) + \bar{\omega}_i(y)\bar{\omega}_i(u)) \\ &\quad + g(y, u)(\omega_i(x)\omega_i(z) + \bar{\omega}_i(x)\bar{\omega}_i(z)) - g(x, u)(\omega_i(y)\omega_i(z) + \bar{\omega}_i(y)\bar{\omega}_i(z)) \\ &\quad - g(y, z)(\omega_i(x)\omega_i(u) + \bar{\omega}_i(x)\bar{\omega}_i(u))\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $x, y, z, u$  are arbitrary vector fields tangent to  $M$ . Now we assume that  $\tilde{M}$  satisfies the axiom of generalized Bochner flat totally quasiumbilical  $\sigma$ -submanifolds and  $2m \geq 8$ . Then from the Lemma for every orthonormal antiholomorphic quadruple  $x, y, z, u$  in  $p \in M$  (8) implies

$$\tilde{R}^*(x, y, z, u) = 0.$$

Now it follows from the Lemma that  $\tilde{M}$  is generalized Bochner flat.

**Corollary.** If a Kählerian manifold  $\tilde{M}$  of real dimension  $2n > 8$  satisfies the axiom of Bochner flat totally quasiumbilical submanifolds, then it is Bochner flat.

The following Theorem is valid for totally quasiunbital  $\sigma$ -submanifolds  $M$  in generalized Bochner flat almost Hermitian manifold  $\tilde{M}$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Every totally quasiunbital  $\sigma$ -submanifold  $M$  of real dimension  $2m > 6$  in a generalized Bochner flat almost Hermitian manifold is generalized Bochner flat.*

The proof follows from (7), (5) and  $\tilde{B}^* = 0$  by a direct computation.

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