

f -STRUCTURES INDUCED ON SUBMANIFOLDS IN SPACES, ALMOST HERMITIAN OR KAEHLERIAN

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Introduction.

It is known that, if the tangent space of a submanifold of an almost complex space is invariant by the almost complex structure, the submanifold admits an almost complex structure. As a generalization of an almost complex structure, Yano [14] has introduced the concept of an f -structure in a differentiable manifold.

The purpose of this paper is to show that a submanifold of an almost complex space admits an f -structure under certain conditions and to study the induced f -structure.

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1. f -structures [14], [15], [17].

Let M^n be an n -dimensional connected differentiable manifold of class C^∞ and $\{\gamma^e\}$ local coordinates. If there exists a non-vanishing tensor field f of type $(1, 1)$ and of class C^∞ satisfying

$$(1.1) \quad f^3 + f = 0,$$

and the rank of f is constant everywhere and is equal to s , then we call¹⁾ such a structure an f -structure of rank s . We put

$$(1.2) \quad l = -f^2, \quad m = f^2 + 1,$$

where 1 denotes the unit tensor, then we have

$$(1.3) \quad l + m = 1, \quad l^2 = l, \quad m^2 = m, \quad lm = ml = 0.$$

These equations mean that the operators l and m applied to the tangent space at each point of the manifold are complementary projection operators and there exist complementary distributions L and M corresponding to the operators l and m respectively. Then the distribution L is s -dimensional and M is $(n-s)$ -dimensional. Further we get

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} fl = lf = f, & \quad fm = mf = 0, \\ f^2l = -l, & \quad f^2m = 0. \end{aligned}$$

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1) Yano [14].