

## ON $(f, g, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -STRUCTURES

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### § 0. Introduction.

Yano and Okumura [6] have studied hypersurfaces of a manifold with  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure. These submanifolds admit under certain conditions what we call an  $(f, g, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure. In particular, a hypersurface of an even-dimensional sphere carries an  $(f, g, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure (see also Blair, Ludden and Okumura [2]). Submanifolds of codimension 2 in an almost contact metric manifold also admit the same kind of structure (see Yano and Ishihara [5]).

The main purpose of the present paper is to study the  $(f, g, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure and hypersurfaces of an even-dimensional sphere. In §1, we define and discuss  $(f, U_{(k)}, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure and  $(f, g, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure. In §2, we recall the definition of  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure and give examples of the manifold with  $(f, g, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure. In §3, we study non-invariant hypersurfaces of a manifold with normal  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure. In the last section, we study hypersurfaces of an even-dimensional sphere  $S^{2n}$  under certain conditions by using of the following theorem proved by Ishihara and one of the present authors [3]:

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $(M, g)$  be a complete and connected hypersurface immersed in a sphere  $S^{m+1}(1)$  with induced metric  $g_{ji}$  and assume that there is in  $(M, g)$  an almost product structure  $P_i^h$  of rank  $p$  such that  $\nabla_j P_i^h = 0$ . If the second fundamental tensor  $H_{ji}$  of the hypersurface  $(M, g)$  has the form  $H_{ij} = aP_{ji} + bQ_{ji}$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  being non-zero constants, where  $P_{ji} = P_j^i g_{it}$  and  $Q_{ji} = g_{ji} - P_{ji}$ , and, if  $m-1 \geq p \geq 1$ , then the hypersurface  $(M, g)$  is congruent to the hypersurface  $S^p(r_1) \times S^{m-p}(r_2)$  naturally embedded in  $S^{m+1}(1)$ , where  $1/r_1^2 = 1+a^2$  and  $1/r_2^2 = 1+b^2$ .*

### § 1. $(f, U_{(k)}, u_{(k)}, \alpha_{(k)})$ -structure.

Let  $M$  be an  $m$ -dimensional differentiable manifold of class  $C^\infty$ . We assume there exist on  $M$  a tensor field  $f$  type  $(1,1)$ , vector fields  $U, V$  and  $W$ , 1-forms  $u, v$  and  $w$ , functions  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  satisfying the conditions (1.1)~(1.7):

$$(1.1) \quad f^2 X = -X + u(X)U + v(X)V + w(X)W$$

for any vector field  $X$ ,

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