

Totally Real Parallel Submanifolds in $P^n(c)$

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Introduction

It is an interesting problem to classify the parallel submanifolds in a specific riemannian symmetric space. Actually, these submanifolds have been classified by D. Ferus [5], [6], [7] when the ambient space is the Euclidean space or the Euclidean sphere, and by M. Takeuchi [17] when the ambient space is the real hyperbolic space. Moreover H. Nakagawa and R. Takagi [10] and M. Takeuchi [16] have classified the parallel Kähler submanifolds in the complex projective space $P^n(c)$ with constant holomorphic sectional curvature c . It is known that parallel non-Kähler submanifolds in $P^n(c)$ are totally real.

In this paper we study n -dimensional complete totally real parallel submanifolds in $P^n(c)$. It is known that a riemannian manifold which admits a parallel isometric immersion into a riemannian symmetric space is a locally symmetric space. Fix an n -dimensional simply connected riemannian symmetric space M^n . Let $\bar{\mathcal{I}}_M$ (resp. $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_M$) be the set of all equivalence classes of totally real parallel isometric immersions of M^n into $P^n(c)$ (resp. of complete totally real parallel submanifolds in $P^n(c)$ with the universal riemannian covering M^n). Moreover, in section 3 we define an equivalence relation among symmetric trilinear forms on a tangent space of M satisfying certain conditions, and denote by $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ the set of all equivalence classes of these trilinear forms. In sections 2, 3, we shall show that there are the natural correspondences among these sets $\bar{\mathcal{I}}_M$, $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_M$, $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$. In sections 4, 5, we shall determine the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ for a riemannian symmetric space M without Euclidean factor. Moreover, in section 6, we shall study the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ for a riemannian symmetric space M with Euclidean factor and an interesting example in the geometry of totally real surfaces in $P^2(c)$.

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§ 1. Preliminaries.

Let \bar{M}^m (resp. M^n) be an m -dimensional (resp. n -dimensional) connected riemannian manifold. Denote by $\bar{\nabla}$ (resp. ∇) the riemannian connection on \bar{M}^m (resp. M^n) and by \bar{R} (resp. R) the riemannian curvature tensor for $\bar{\nabla}$ (resp. ∇). Now let f be an isometric immersion of M^n into \bar{M}^m . We denote by the same notation \langle, \rangle the riemannian metrics on the both riemannian manifolds. Moreover denote by σ_f the second fundamental form of M^n , by D the normal connection on the normal bundle $N(M)$ of M^n and by R^\perp the curvature tensor for D . For a point p in M and a vector ζ in the normal space $N_p(M)$ at p , the shape operator A_ζ is defined by

$$\langle A_\zeta(X), Y \rangle = \langle \sigma_f(X, Y), \zeta \rangle$$

for all vectors $X, Y \in T_p(M)$. The shape operator A_ζ is a symmetric endomorphism on the tangent space $T_p(M)$ at p . It is also characterized by the equation that

$$\bar{\nabla}_X \zeta = -A_\zeta(X) + D_X \zeta$$

for any tangent vector field X of M and any normal vector field ζ of M .

Now we recall the following fundamental equations, called the equations of Gauss, Codazzi-Mainardi, and Ricci respectively.

$$(1.1) \quad \langle \bar{R}(X, Y)Z, W \rangle = \langle R(X, Y)Z, W \rangle + \langle \sigma_f(X, Z), \sigma_f(Y, W) \rangle \\ - \langle \sigma_f(X, W), \sigma_f(Y, Z) \rangle$$

$$(1.2) \quad \{\bar{R}(X, Y)Z\}^\perp = (\nabla_X^* \sigma_f)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y^* \sigma_f)(X, Z)$$

$$(1.3) \quad \langle \bar{R}(X, Y)\zeta, \eta \rangle = \langle R^\perp(X, Y)\zeta, \eta \rangle - \langle [A_\zeta, A_\eta](X), Y \rangle$$

for all vectors $X, Y, Z, W \in T_p(M)$ and all vectors $\zeta, \eta \in N_p(M)$. Here we denote by $\{*\}^\perp$ the normal component of $*$ and by ∇^* the covariant derivation associated to the isometric immersion $f: M \rightarrow \bar{M}$, defined by

$$(\nabla_X^* \sigma_f)(Y, Z) = D_X(\sigma_f(Y, Z)) - \sigma_f(\nabla_f(\nabla_X Y, Z)) - \sigma_f(Y, \nabla_X Z)$$

for tangent vector fields X, Y, Z of M . The second fundamental form σ_f as well as the isometric immersion f is said to be *parallel* if $\nabla^* \sigma_f =$

0. Moreover when f is an imbedding, the submanifold $f(M)$ is called a *parallel submanifold* in \bar{M} . If the second fundamental form σ_f is parallel, we have

$$(1.4) \quad D_x(\sigma_f(Y, Z)) = \sigma_f(\nabla_x Y, Z) + \sigma_f(Y, \nabla_x Z)$$

for all tangent vector fields X, Y, Z of M .

Now let $\bar{M}^{2r} = P^r(c)$ be the r -dimensional complex projective space with constant holomorphic sectional curvature $c (> 0)$. The complex structure of $P^r(c)$ will be denoted by J . An isometric immersion $f: M^n \rightarrow P^r(c)$ is called *totally real* if $JT_p(M) \subset N_p(M)$ for every point p in M . Moreover when f is an imbedding, the submanifold $f(M)$ is called a *totally real submanifold* in $P^r(c)$. Then we have the following

LEMMA 1.1 (cf. see Lemma 2.4 [11]). *Let f be a totally real isometric immersion of M^n into $P^r(c)$. Then*

$$\langle \sigma_f(X, Y), JZ \rangle = \langle \sigma_f(X, Z), JY \rangle$$

for any point $p \in M$ and all vectors $X, Y, Z \in T_p(M)$.

From now on we assume that the complex dimension r equals n . For a totally real isometric immersion $f: M^n \rightarrow P^n(c)$ we define the associated tensor $\tilde{\sigma}_f$ of M as follows:

$$\tilde{\sigma}_f(X, Y) = J\sigma_f(X, Y)$$

for vectors $X, Y \in T_p(M), p \in M$. If we identify the tangent space $T_p(M)$ with the cotangent space $T_p^*(M)$ through the riemannian metric on M , the associated tensor $\tilde{\sigma}_f$ is a symmetric covariant tensor of degree 3 on M by Lemma 1.1. For a vector X in $T_p(M)$, we define a symmetric endomorphism $\tilde{\sigma}_f(X)$ of $T_p(M)$ by

$$\tilde{\sigma}_f(X)(Y) = \tilde{\sigma}_f(X, Y)$$

for a vector Y in $T_p(M)$. Since the isometric immersion f is totally real in $P^n(c)$, we have $\bar{R}(X, Y)Z \in T_p(M)$ for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in T_p(M)$ and hence the equation of Gauss reduces to

$$(1.5) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y)Z = R(X, Y)Z - [\tilde{\sigma}_f(X), \tilde{\sigma}_f(Y)](Z)$$

for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in T_p(M)$. Moreover we have the following

LEMMA 1.2. *Let f be a totally real parallel isometric immersion of M^n into $P^n(c)$. Then $\nabla \tilde{\sigma}_f = 0$, that is,*

$$\nabla_X(\tilde{\sigma}_f(Y, Z)) = \tilde{\sigma}_f(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \tilde{\sigma}_f(Y, \nabla_X Z)$$

for all tangent vector fields X, Y, Z of M .

PROOF. Since $J\zeta$ is a tangent vector field of M for any normal vector field ζ along M ,

$$J\bar{\nabla}_X J\zeta = J\nabla_X J\zeta + J\sigma_f(X, J\zeta)$$

for every tangent vector field X of M , while

$$J\bar{\nabla}_X J\zeta = -\bar{\nabla}_X \zeta = A_\zeta(X) - D_X \zeta$$

since $J \circ \bar{\nabla}_X = \bar{\nabla}_X \circ J$. Hence, comparing normal components we get

$$JD_X \zeta = \nabla_X J\zeta.$$

Thus, substituting $\zeta = \sigma_f(Y, Z)$, together with (1.4) we have

$$\nabla_X(\tilde{\sigma}_f(Y, Z)) = \tilde{\sigma}_f(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \tilde{\sigma}_f(Y, \nabla_X Z)$$

for all tangent vector fields X, Y, Z of M .

Q.E.D.

Let $\mathfrak{so}(T_p(M))$ be the Lie algebra of all skew symmetric endomorphisms of $T_p(M)$ and $\mathfrak{k}(p)$ the Lie subalgebra in $\mathfrak{so}(T_p(M))$ generated by the set $\{R_p(X, Y); X, Y \in T_p(M)\}$. Since the isometric immersion f is parallel, the manifold M is a locally symmetric space* and hence the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{k}(p)$ is spanned by the set $\{R_p(X, Y); X, Y \in T_p(M)\}$ and coincides with the holonomy algebra of M at p . Thus, by Lemma 1.2, we have the following

COROLLARY 1.3. Let f be a totally real parallel isometric immersion of M^n into $P^n(c)$. Then $\mathfrak{k}(p) \cdot \tilde{\sigma}_f = 0$, that is,

$$T(\tilde{\sigma}_f(X, Y)) = \tilde{\sigma}_f(T(X), Y) + \tilde{\sigma}_f(X, T(Y))$$

for any endomorphism $T \in \mathfrak{k}(p)$ and all vectors $X, Y \in T_p(M)$.

§ 2. Equivariant immersions associated to trilinear forms.

Assume that the manifold M^n is a simply connected symmetric space and fix a point o in M^n . Put $\mathfrak{p} = T_o(M)$, $\mathfrak{k} = \mathfrak{k}(o)$ and $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$ and define the bracket product $[,]$ on \mathfrak{g} as follows:

* Symmetric space means riemannian symmetric space in this paper.

$$[T, S] = T \circ S - S \circ T, \quad [T, X] = -[X, T] = T(X),$$

$$[X, Y] = -R_0(X, Y)$$

for endomorphisms T, S in \mathfrak{k} and vectors X, Y in \mathfrak{p} . Then $(\mathfrak{g}, [,])$ is a Lie algebra over \mathbb{R} and there exists a simply connected Lie group G acting on the symmetric space M isometrically and transitively, such that the Lie algebra of G is isomorphic to \mathfrak{g} and that the Lie subgroup $K = \{g \in G; g(o) = o\}$ is connected and has the Lie subalgebra \mathfrak{k} (cf. see [8]). Let \mathcal{M}_M be the set of all \mathfrak{p} -valued bilinear forms $\tilde{\sigma}$ on \mathfrak{p} satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) $\tilde{\sigma}$ is a symmetric trilinear form on \mathfrak{p} under the canonical identification of $\mathfrak{p}^* \otimes \mathfrak{p}^* \otimes \mathfrak{p}$ with $\mathfrak{p}^* \otimes \mathfrak{p}^* \otimes \mathfrak{p}^*$ through the riemannian metric \langle , \rangle on \mathfrak{p} ,
- (2) $\mathfrak{k} \cdot \tilde{\sigma} = 0$,
- (3) $(c/4)(\langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y) = R(X, Y)Z - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)](Z)$ for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$.

Let f be a totally real parallel isometric immersion of M^n into $P^n(c)$. Then

$$\bar{R}(X, Y)Z = (c/4)(\langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y)$$

for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$. Hence we have that $(\tilde{\sigma}_f)_o \in \mathcal{M}_M$ by Lemma 1.1, Corollary 1.3 and (1.5).

Now the riemannian manifold $P^n(c)$ is also a simply connected symmetric space. We denote by $\bar{o}, \bar{\mathfrak{p}}, \bar{\mathfrak{k}}, \bar{\mathfrak{g}}, \bar{G}, \bar{K}$ the objects for $P^n(c)$ which are generally denoted by $o, \mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{k}, \mathfrak{g}, G, K$ for M^n . Note that \bar{G} (resp. $\bar{\mathfrak{g}}$) is isomorphic to the compact Lie group $SU(n+1)$ (resp. the compact Lie algebra $\mathfrak{su}(n+1)$) and that $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}$ is given by

$$\bar{\mathfrak{k}} = \mathfrak{u}(\bar{\mathfrak{p}}) = \{T \in \mathfrak{so}(\bar{\mathfrak{p}}); J \circ T = T \circ J\}.$$

A linear subspace q in $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ is called *totally real* if the subspaces q and Jq are orthogonal. Totally real subspaces in $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ of the same dimension are conjugate to each other under the natural action of \bar{K} on $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$. Fix an n -dimensional totally real subspace q in $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ and set

$$\bar{\mathfrak{k}}_1 = \{T \in \bar{\mathfrak{k}}; T(q) \subset q\} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\mathfrak{k}}_2 = \{T \in \bar{\mathfrak{k}}; T(q) \subset Jq\}.$$

Then $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}_1$ (resp. $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}_2$) is a Lie subalgebra (resp. linear subspace) in $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}$, and $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}$ is the direct sum of $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}_1$ and $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}_2$. In fact, take an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ of q and identify $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ with \mathbb{C}^n by the correspondence:

$$\bar{\mathfrak{p}} \ni (\sum x_j e_j) + J(\sum y_j e_j) \leftrightarrow (x_j + \sqrt{-1}y_j) \in \mathbb{C}^n.$$

Then $\bar{\mathfrak{f}}$, $\bar{\mathfrak{f}}_1$ and $\bar{\mathfrak{f}}_2$ are identified with the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{u}(n)$ of all skew hermitian matrices of degree n , the Lie algebra $\mathfrak{so}(n)$ of all real skew symmetric matrices of degree n , and the linear space $\sqrt{-1}S^n(\mathbf{R}) = \{\sqrt{-1}A; A \text{ is a real symmetric matrix of degree } n\}$ respectively. This implies the assertion.

Let s be a linear isometry of \mathfrak{p} onto \mathfrak{q} . We define an injective Lie homomorphism τ_s of $\mathfrak{so}(\mathfrak{p})$ into $\bar{\mathfrak{f}}_1$ by

$$\tau_s(T)(s(X) + Js(Y)) = s(T(X)) + Js(T(Y))$$

for $T \in \mathfrak{so}(\mathfrak{p})$ and vectors $X, Y \in \mathfrak{p}$. Next, for an element $\tilde{\sigma}$ in \mathcal{M}_M , we define a linear mapping $\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ of \mathfrak{p} into $\bar{\mathfrak{f}}_2$ by

$$\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)(s(Y) + Js(Z)) = s(\tilde{\sigma}(X, Z)) - Js(\tilde{\sigma}(X, Y))$$

for vectors $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$. Here note that the condition (1) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ implies that $\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X) \in \bar{\mathfrak{f}}$. Now we define a linear mapping $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ of \mathfrak{g} into $\bar{\mathfrak{g}}$ by

$$\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(T + X) = \tau_s(T) + \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X) + s(X)$$

for $T \in \mathfrak{f}$ and $X \in \mathfrak{p}$. Then we have the following

LEMMA 2.1. *The linear mapping $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ of \mathfrak{g} into $\bar{\mathfrak{g}}$ is an injective Lie homomorphism.*

PROOF. At first we shall prove the following three formulas:

$$(2.1) \quad [\tau_s(T), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)] = \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(T(X))$$

$$(2.2) \quad [\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(Y)] = \tau_s([\tilde{\sigma}(Y), \tilde{\sigma}(X)])$$

$$(2.3) \quad \bar{R}(s(X), s(Y)) = \tau_s(R(X, Y)) - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)]$$

for any $T \in \mathfrak{f}$ and all vectors $X, Y \in \mathfrak{p}$. By the condition (2) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & [\tau_s(T), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)](s(Y) + Js(Z)) \\ &= s(T(\tilde{\sigma}(X, Z))) - Js(T(\tilde{\sigma}(X, Y))) + Js(\tilde{\sigma}(X, T(Y))) - s(\tilde{\sigma}(X, T(Z))) \\ &= s(\tilde{\sigma}(T(X), Z)) - Js(\tilde{\sigma}(T(X), Y)) \\ &= \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(T(X))(s(Y) + Js(Z)) \end{aligned}$$

for all vectors $Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$, and hence (2.1) is proved. Next, by the definitions of τ_s and $\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(Y)](s(Z) + Js(W)) \\
 &= -Js(\tilde{\sigma}(X, \tilde{\sigma}(Y, W))) - s(\tilde{\sigma}(X, \tilde{\sigma}(Y, Z))) + Js(\tilde{\sigma}(Y, \tilde{\sigma}(X, W))) \\
 &\quad + s(\tilde{\sigma}(Y, \tilde{\sigma}(X, Z))) \\
 &= s([\tilde{\sigma}(Y), \tilde{\sigma}(X)](Z)) + Js([\tilde{\sigma}(Y), \tilde{\sigma}(X)](W)) \\
 &= \tau_s([\tilde{\sigma}(Y), \tilde{\sigma}(X)])(s(Z) + Js(W))
 \end{aligned}$$

for all vectors Z, W in \mathfrak{p} , and hence (2.2) is proved. Since the subspace \mathfrak{q} in $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ is totally real, we have

$$\bar{R}(s(X), s(Y))s(Z) = (c/4)(\langle Y, Z \rangle s(X) - \langle X, Z \rangle s(Y))$$

for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$. By the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \bar{R}(s(X), s(Y))(s(Z) + Js(W)) \\
 &= \bar{R}(s(X), s(Y))s(Z) + J\bar{R}(s(X), s(Y))s(W) \\
 &= s((c/4)(\langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y)) + Js((c/4)(\langle Y, W \rangle X - \langle X, W \rangle Y)) \\
 &= s(R(X, Y)Z - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)]Z) + Js(R(X, Y)W - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)]W) \\
 &= \tau_s(R(X, Y) - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)])(s(Z) + Js(W))
 \end{aligned}$$

for all vectors $Z, W \in \mathfrak{p}$. Hence (2.3) is proved.

Now by (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(T + X), \rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(S + Y)] \\
 &= [\tau_s(T), \tau_s(S)] + [\tau_s(T), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(Y)] + [\tau_s(T), s(Y)] \\
 &\quad + [\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X), \tau_s(S)] + [\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(Y)] + [\mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X), s(Y)] \\
 &\quad + [s(X), \tau_s(S)] + [s(X), \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(Y)] + [s(X), s(Y)] \\
 &= \tau_s([T, S]) + \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(T(Y)) + s(T(Y)) - \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(S(X)) \\
 &\quad + \tau_s([\tilde{\sigma}(Y), \tilde{\sigma}(X)]) - Js(\tilde{\sigma}(X, Y)) - s(S(X)) + Js(\tilde{\sigma}(Y, X)) \\
 &\quad - \tau_s(R(X, Y) - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)]) \\
 &= \tau_s([T, S] - R(X, Y)) + \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(T(Y) - S(X)) + s(T(Y) - S(X)) \\
 &= \rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}([T + X, S + Y])
 \end{aligned}$$

for all $T, S \in \mathfrak{k}$ and all $X, Y \in \mathfrak{p}$, and hence $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is a Lie homomorphism of \mathfrak{g} into $\bar{\mathfrak{g}}$. Moreover, since τ_s and s are injective, $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is injective.

Q.E.D.

Since $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{su}(n+1)$, we have the following

COROLLARY 2.2. *If the set \mathcal{M}_x is not empty, the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is the direct sum of an abelian Lie algebra and a Lie algebra of compact type.*

We call $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ the *Lie homomorphism associated to s and $\tilde{\sigma}$* .

Since G is a simply connected Lie group, there exists the unique Lie homomorphism $\hat{\rho}_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ of G into \bar{G} such that the differential $d\hat{\rho}_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$. The associated homomorphism $\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ maps the Lie subalgebra \mathfrak{k} into the Lie subalgebra $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}$ and the isotropy subgroup K is connected. Hence we can define a G -equivariant C^∞ -mapping $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ of M^n into $P^n(c)$ by

$$f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(g(o)) = \hat{\rho}_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(g)(\bar{o})$$

for $g \in G$. Then we have the following

THEOREM 2.3. *Let M^n be a simply connected symmetric space. Then, for any linear isometry s and any $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$, the associated G -equivariant mapping $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ of M^n into $P^n(c)$ is a totally real parallel isometric immersion such that*

$$(f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}})_{*o} = s \quad \text{and} \quad (\tilde{\sigma}_{f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}})_o = \tilde{\sigma} .$$

PROOF. Note that \bar{G} divided by the center is the group of all holomorphic isometries of $P^n(c)$. The claim $(f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}})_{*o} = s$ is obvious by the definition of $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$. Now we show that $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is a totally real parallel isometric immersion. Since $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is G -equivariant, it is sufficient to see our claim at o . The linear mapping s is an isometry and the image \mathfrak{q} of s is a totally real subspace in $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$. Hence $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is a totally real and isometric immersion at o . Moreover, to show that $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is parallel, it is sufficient to see that

$$(2.4) \quad [\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{k}}}, [\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{k}}}, \rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}}], \rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}}] \in \mathfrak{q}$$

for any vector X in \mathfrak{p} (see Proposition 5.2 in [11]). Here the suffix $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}$ (resp. $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$) means the $\bar{\mathfrak{k}}$ -component (resp. $\bar{\mathfrak{p}}$ -component) with respect to the decomposition $\bar{\mathfrak{g}} = \bar{\mathfrak{k}} + \bar{\mathfrak{p}}$. Since

$$\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{k}}} = \mu_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X) \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}} = s(X) ,$$

the left hand of (2.4) equals $-s(\tilde{\sigma}(X, \tilde{\sigma}(X, X))) \in \mathfrak{q}$. Now the second fundamental form at o of the G -equivariant immersion $f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}$ is given by

$$(2.5) \quad (\tilde{\sigma}_{f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}})_o(X, Y) = [(\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(X)_{\bar{\mathfrak{k}}}, (\rho_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}(Y)_{\bar{\mathfrak{p}}})]_{J\mathfrak{q}}$$

for all vectors X, Y in \mathfrak{p} (see Proposition 5.1 in [11]). Here the suffix $J\mathfrak{q}$ means the $J\mathfrak{q}$ -component with respect to the decomposition $\bar{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathfrak{q} + J\mathfrak{q}$. Hence we have $(\tilde{\sigma}_{f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}})_o = -J_s(\tilde{\sigma}(X, Y))$. This implies $(\tilde{\sigma}_{f_{s,\tilde{\sigma}}})_o = \tilde{\sigma}$. Q.E.D.

§ 3. Frenet curves and rigidity problems.

Let \bar{M} be a riemannian manifold and $c(t)$ be a C^∞ -curve in \bar{M} defined on an open interval I containing 0 which is parametrized by arc-length. The curve $c(t)$ is called a *Frenet curve* in \bar{M} of osculating rank $r(\geq 1)$ if for all $t \in I$ its higher order derivatives

$$\dot{c}(t) = (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t}^0 \dot{c})(t), (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t}^1 \dot{c})(t), \dots, (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t}^{r-1} \dot{c})(t)$$

are linearly independent but

$$\dot{c}(t) = (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t}^0 \dot{c})(t), (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t}^1 \dot{c})(t), \dots, (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t}^r \dot{c})(t)$$

are linearly dependent in $T_{c(t)}(\bar{M})$. Then there exist the unique positive C^∞ -functions $\kappa_1(t), \dots, \kappa_{r-1}(t)$ on I and the unique orthonormal C^∞ -vector fields $V_1(t), \dots, V_r(t)$ along the curve $c(t)$ such that

$$(3.1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{c}(t) = V_1(t) \\ (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t} V_1)(t) = \kappa_1(t) V_2(t) \\ (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t} V_2)(t) = -\kappa_1(t) V_1(t) + \kappa_2(t) V_3(t) \\ \vdots \\ (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t} V_j)(t) = -\kappa_{j-1}(t) V_{j-1}(t) + \kappa_j(t) V_{j+1}(t) \\ \vdots \\ (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t} V_{r-1})(t) = -\kappa_{r-2}(t) V_{r-2}(t) + \kappa_{r-1}(t) V_r(t) \\ (\bar{\nabla}_{\partial/\partial t} V_r)(t) = -\kappa_{r-1}(t) V_{r-1}(t) . \end{array} \right.$$

Here we call $\kappa_j(t)(1 \leq j \leq r-1)$ the *Frenet curvature functions* on I , the vector fields $\{V_j(t); 1 \leq j \leq r\}$ the *Frenet r -frame* along $c(t)$, and the equations (3.1) the *Frenet formulas*. For a given integer $r(\geq 1)$ and given positive C^∞ -functions $\kappa_1(t), \dots, \kappa_{r-1}(t)$ on I , the Frenet formulas (3.1) may be regarded as a system of differential equations with variables c, V_1, \dots, V_r . It is known that this system of differential equations has the unique local solutions for given initial conditions; a point $c(0) = p \in \bar{M}$ and an orthonormal r -frame $\{V_1(0) = V_1, \dots, V_r(0) = V_r\}$ of $T_p(\bar{M})$. If the riemannian manifold \bar{M} is complete, the Frenet curve $c(t)$ is defined for $-\infty < t < +\infty$ (cf. see [4] and [15]). Now we have the following

LEMMA 3.1 (W. Strübing [15]). *Let M and \bar{M} be riemannian manifolds and f a parallel isometric immersion of M into \bar{M} . Suppose that a curve $c(t)$ defined on I containing 0 is a geodesic in M parametrized by arc-length. Then*

- a) the curve $(f \circ c)(t)$ on I is a Frenet curve in \bar{M} ,
 b) the Frenet curvature functions $\kappa_1(t), \dots, \kappa_{r-1}(t)$ are constant (and positive), where r denotes the osculating rank of $(f \circ c)(t)$,
 c) the integer $r(\geq 1)$, the constant positive numbers $\kappa_1, \dots, \kappa_{r-1}$ and the orthonormal vectors $V_1 = V_1(0), \dots, V_r = V_r(0)$ are determined only by the initial point $p = c(0)$ of $c(t)$, the initial tangent vector $X = \dot{c}(0)$ of $c(t)$, the differential $(f_*)_p$ at p , and the second fundamental form $(\sigma_f)_p$ at p .

Now, by Lemma 3.1, we have the following fundamental lemma.

LEMMA 3.2. Let g and f be parallel isometric immersions of a complete riemannian manifold M into another riemannian manifold \bar{M} . If there exists a point o in M such that

$$g(o) = f(o) = \bar{o}, (g_*)_o = (f_*)_o: T_o(M) \rightarrow T_o(\bar{M}), (\sigma_g)_o = (\sigma_f)_o,$$

then the mappings g and f coincide on M .

PROOF. For any point p in M , there exists a geodesic $c(t)$ in M parametrized by arc-length, such that $c(0) = o$ and $c(l) = p$. Then $(g \circ c)(t)$ and $(f \circ c)(t)$ are Frenet curves in \bar{M} by Lemma 3.1, a). By Lemma 3.1, c), the above assumption implies that the Frenet curves $(f \circ c)(t)$ and $(g \circ c)(t)$ are solutions of the same Frenet formulas for the same initial conditions. Hence, by the uniqueness for solutions of the system of differential equations, we have $(f \circ c)(t) = (g \circ c)(t)$ and particularly $f(p) = g(p)$. Q.E.D.

Now let \mathcal{T}_M be the set of all totally real parallel isometric immersions of a simply connected symmetric space M^n into the riemannian manifold $P^n(c)$, $I(M)$ the group of all isometries of M , and \bar{G} the group of all holomorphic isometries of $P^n(c)$. Then we can define an action of $\bar{G} \times I(M)$ on \mathcal{T}_M by

$$(\bar{g}, g) \cdot f = \bar{g} \circ f \circ g^{-1}$$

for $\bar{g} \in \bar{G}$, $g \in I(M)$ and $f \in \mathcal{T}_M$. Let $\bar{\mathcal{T}}_M$ be the set of all orbits of the $\bar{G} \times I(M)$ -action on \mathcal{T}_M . The orbit $[f]_{\bar{\mathcal{T}}_M}$ of f in $\bar{\mathcal{T}}_M$ is called the *equivalence class* of f .

Secondly, let \mathcal{S}_M be the set of all complete totally real parallel submanifolds whose universal riemannian coverings are M^n . Then we can define an action of \bar{G} on \mathcal{S}_M by

$$\bar{g} \cdot N = \bar{g}(N)$$

for $\bar{g} \in \bar{G}$ and $N \in \mathcal{S}_M$. Let $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_M$ be the set of all orbits of the \bar{G} -action on \mathcal{S}_M . The orbit $[N]_{\bar{\mathcal{S}}}$ of N in \mathcal{S}_M is called the *equivalence class* of N .

Finally, set

$$F_o(M) = \{g \in I(M); g(o) = o\} .$$

Then we can define an action of $F_o(M)$ on \mathcal{M}_M by

$$(k \cdot \tilde{\sigma})(X, Y) = (k_*)_o(\tilde{\sigma}((k_*)^{-1}X, (k_*)^{-1}Y))$$

for $k \in F_o(M)$, $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$ and $X, Y \in \mathfrak{p}$. Let $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ be the set of all orbits of the $F_o(M)$ -action on \mathcal{M}_M . The orbit $[\tilde{\sigma}]_{\bar{\mathcal{M}}}$ of $\tilde{\sigma}$ in \mathcal{M}_M is called the *equivalence class* of $\tilde{\sigma}$.

Now we study the relations among three kinds of equivalences. At first we have the following

LEMMA 3.3. *For any $\bar{g} \in \bar{G}$, $g \in I(M)$ and $f \in \mathcal{T}_M$, there exists an element $k \in F_o(M)$ such that*

$$(\tilde{\sigma}_{\bar{g} \circ f \circ g^{-1}})_o = k \cdot (\tilde{\sigma}_f)_o .$$

Moreover, if $g \in F_o(M)$, the very same element g can be taken as the above element k .

PROOF. Since \bar{g}_* and J are comutative, we have

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} (\tilde{\sigma}_{\bar{g} \circ f \circ g^{-1}})_o(X, Y) &= (\tilde{\sigma}_{f \circ g^{-1}})_o(X, Y) \\ &= g_*((\tilde{\sigma}_f)_{g^{-1}(o)}((g_*)^{-1}X, (g_*)^{-1}Y)) \end{aligned}$$

for all vectors $X, Y \in \mathfrak{p}$. Let $\gamma(t)$ be a geodesic joining o to $g^{-1}(o)$. Since M is a symmetric space, there exists some $h \in I(M)$ such that $h(o) = g^{-1}(o)$ and that $h^{-1} \cdot (\tilde{\sigma}_f)_{h(o)}$ is the parallel translation of $(\tilde{\sigma}_f)_{h(o)}$ along the geodesic $\gamma(t)$, where

$$h^{-1} \cdot (\tilde{\sigma}_f)_{h(o)}(X, Y) = h_*^{-1}((\tilde{\sigma}_f)_{h(o)}(h_*X, h_*Y))$$

for all vectors $X, Y \in \mathfrak{p}$ (cf. see [8]). Putting $k = g \circ h$, we have $k \in F_o(M)$. Since $\tilde{\sigma}_f$ is parallel by Lemma 1.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{the last term of (3.2)} \\ &= k_*(h_*^{-1}((\tilde{\sigma}_f)_{h(o)}(h_*(k_*^{-1}X), h_*(k_*^{-1}Y)))) \\ &= k_*((\tilde{\sigma}_f)_o(k_*^{-1}X, k_*^{-1}Y)) = (k \cdot (\tilde{\sigma}_f)_o)(X, Y) . \end{aligned}$$

The second assertion is clear from the above proof.

Q.E.D.

Now we define a mapping i_M of $\bar{\mathcal{T}}_M$ into $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ by

$$i_M([f]_{\mathcal{F}}) = [(\tilde{\sigma}_f)_o]_{\mathcal{A}}$$

for f in \mathcal{F}_M . By Lemma 3.3 the mapping i_M is well-defined. Then we have the following

THEOREM 3.4. *The mapping i_M of $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_M$ into $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ is bijective.*

PROOF. By Theorem 2.3 it is obvious that i_M is onto. We show that the mapping i_M is injective. Take two mappings f_1, f_2 in \mathcal{F}_M and suppose that $(\tilde{\sigma}_{f_1})_o = k \cdot (\tilde{\sigma}_{f_2})_o$ for some $k \in F_o(M)$. Then, putting $f_3 = f_2 \circ k^{-1}$, we have $(\tilde{\sigma}_{f_1})_o = (\tilde{\sigma}_{f_3})_o$ by Lemma 3.3. Since f_1 and f_3 are totally real, there exists some $\bar{g} \in \bar{G}$ such that

$$(\bar{g} \circ f_3)(o) = f_1(o) = \bar{o} \quad \text{and} \quad (\bar{g} \circ f_3)_*(T_o(M)) = (f_1)_*(T_o(M)) = \mathfrak{q}.$$

Moreover, since any linear isometry of the totally real subspace \mathfrak{q} is the differential at \bar{o} of some holomorphic isometry of $P^n(c)$, we may assume that $(\bar{g} \circ f_3)_{*o} = (f_1)_{*o}$. Here note that $(\tilde{\sigma}_{\bar{g} \circ f_3})_o = (\tilde{\sigma}_{f_1})_o$ by Lemma 3.3. Hence, by Lemma 3.2, we have $\bar{g} \circ f_3 = f_1$ on M and thus $[f_1]_{\mathcal{F}} = [f_3]_{\mathcal{F}} = [f_2]_{\mathcal{F}}$.
Q.E.D.

THEOREM 3.5. *Any totally real parallel isometric immersion of M^n into $P^n(c)$ is G -equivariant.*

PROOF. Let f be a totally real parallel isometric immersion and put $f(o) = \bar{o}$. Then we have $f = f_{(f)_o, (\tilde{\sigma}_f)_o}$ by Theorem 2.3 and Lemma 3.2. This implies the theorem.
Q.E.D.

Now let j_M be a mapping of $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_M$ into $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_M$ defined by

$$j_M([f]_{\mathcal{F}}) = [f(M)]_{\mathcal{S}}$$

for $f \in \mathcal{F}_M$. Here note that the image $f(M)$ is a submanifold in $P^n(c)$ by Theorem 3.5. Then we have the following

THEOREM 3.6. *The mapping j_M of $\bar{\mathcal{F}}_M$ into $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_M$ is bijective.*

PROOF. It is obvious that j_M is onto. We show that the mapping j_M is injective. Take two mappings $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{F}_M$ and suppose that $f_1(M) = \bar{g}(f_2(M))$ for some $\bar{g} \in \bar{G}$. Put $\bar{o} = f_1(o)$ and $N = f_1(M)$. Taking some $g \in I(M)$ and putting $f_3 = \bar{g} \circ f_2 \circ g$, we have

$$f_1(o) = f_3(o) = \bar{o} \quad \text{and} \quad f_1(M) = f_3(M) = N.$$

Let $(\sigma_N)_{\bar{o}}$ be the second fundamental form at \bar{o} of the submanifold N . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma_N)_o(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) &= (\sigma_{f_1})_o((f_1)_*^{-1}\bar{X}, (f_1)_*^{-1}\bar{Y}) \\ &= (\sigma_{f_3})_o((f_3)_*^{-1}\bar{X}, (f_3)_*^{-1}\bar{Y}) \end{aligned}$$

for all vectors $\bar{X}, \bar{Y} \in T_o(N)$. Hence we have

$$(\tilde{\sigma}_{f_3})_o(X, Y) = ((f_3)_*^{-1} \circ (f_1)_*)((\tilde{\sigma}_{f_1})_o((f_1)_*^{-1} \circ (f_3)_* X, (f_1)_*^{-1} \circ (f_3)_* Y))$$

for all vectors $X, Y \in T_o(M)$. Note that $f_3^{-1} \circ f_1$ defines a local isometry of M around o . Since M is a simply connected symmetric space, there exists a unique element $k \in F_o(M)$ that coincides with $f_3^{-1} \circ f_1$ around o . Hence we have $(\tilde{\sigma}_{f_3})_o = k \cdot (\tilde{\sigma}_{f_1})_o$. By Theorem 3.4 we have $[f_3]_{\mathcal{F}} = [f_1]_{\mathcal{F}}$ and thus $[f_2]_{\mathcal{F}} = [f_1]_{\mathcal{F}}$. Q.E.D.

§ 4. The set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ for a simply connected symmetric space M without Euclidean factor.

In this section we assume that M^n is a simply connected symmetric space without Euclidean factor; thus, M is decomposed as a riemannian manifold as follows:

$$M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times \dots \times M_r^{n_r} \left(n = \sum_{j=1}^r n_j \right)$$

where $M_j^{n_j}$ is an n_j -dimensional irreducible simply connected symmetric space for each j . Then the tangent space $T_o(M) = \mathfrak{p}$ (resp. the holonomy algebra \mathfrak{k}) is decomposed as follows:

$$\mathfrak{p} = \sum_{j=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_j \quad \left(\text{resp. } \mathfrak{k} = \sum_{j=1}^r \mathfrak{k}_j \right)$$

where the subspace $\mathfrak{p}_j \subset \mathfrak{p}$ (resp. the subalgebra $\mathfrak{k}_j \subset \mathfrak{k}$) denotes the tangent space $T_o(M_j)$ (resp. the holonomy algebra of M_j). For a \mathfrak{p} -valued symmetric bilinear form $\tilde{\sigma}$ on \mathfrak{p} and any ordered triple $\{i, j, k\} (1 \leq i, j, k \leq r)$, a mapping $\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^k: \mathfrak{p}_i \times \mathfrak{p}_j \rightarrow \mathfrak{p}_k$ is defined by

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^k(X_i, Y_j) = \text{the } \mathfrak{p}_k\text{-component of } \tilde{\sigma}(X_i, Y_j)$$

for $X_i \in \mathfrak{p}_i$ and $Y_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$. Then we may write symbolically as

$$\tilde{\sigma} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^k.$$

Assume that $\tilde{\sigma} \in \bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$. Since each holonomy algebra $\mathfrak{k}_j (1 \leq j \leq r)$ acts on the subspace \mathfrak{p}_j irreducibly and on the other subspaces $\mathfrak{p}_k (j \neq k)$ trivially, the condition (2) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ implies that

$$(4.1) \quad \tilde{\sigma} = \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j .$$

Now we have the following

LEMMA 4.1. *Assume that the set \mathcal{M}_M is not empty. Then the simply connected symmetric space M without Euclidean factor is irreducible and of compact type.*

PROOF. Suppose that $r \geq 2$ and $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. In the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$, let X be a nonzero vector in \mathfrak{p}_j and $Y=Z$ a nonzero vector in \mathfrak{p}_k with $j \neq k$. Then, by (4.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (c/4)\langle Y, Y \rangle X &= R(X, Y)Y - [\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)]Y = -[\tilde{\sigma}(X), \tilde{\sigma}(Y)]Y \\ &= \tilde{\sigma}(Y, \tilde{\sigma}(X, Y)) - \tilde{\sigma}(X, \tilde{\sigma}(Y, Y)) = 0 . \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction. Hence we have $r=1$.

Sicce M has not an Euclidean factor, the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is semi-simple. Hence Corollary 2.2 implies that M is of compact type. Q.E.D.

Hereafter we assume that M is a simply connected compact irreducible symmetric space. Let α be a maximal abelian subspace in \mathfrak{p} and W the Weyl group of M relative to α . Denote by $S^3(\mathfrak{p})$ (resp. $S^3(\alpha)$) the vector space of all symmetric trilinear forms on \mathfrak{p} (resp. on α). Then it is known that the vector subspace $\{\tilde{\sigma} \in S^3(\mathfrak{p}); \mathfrak{k} \cdot \tilde{\sigma} = 0\}$ is isomorphic to the vector subspace $\{\tilde{\lambda} \in S^3(\alpha); w \cdot \tilde{\lambda} = \tilde{\lambda} \text{ for all } w \in W\}$ by the restriction to the subspace α . Since the Weyl group W acts on α irreducibly, W -invariant polynomials on α of degree 3 are irreducible. Hence a basis of the vector subspace is given by all the fundamental W -invariant polynomials of degree 3. The Weyl group W for M is of types $A_l, B_l, C_l, D_l, E_l, F_4, G_2$, or type $B_l C_l$ by the Araki's table [1]. Then, by N. Bourbaki [2], only the Weyl groups W of type $A_l (l \geq 2)$ have one fundamental W -invariant polynomial of degree 3 and the other Weyl groups have nothing. Hence we have the following

LEMMA 4.2. *Let M be a simply connected compact irreducible symmetric space and set $d_M = \dim \{\tilde{\sigma} \in S^3(\mathfrak{p}); \mathfrak{k} \cdot \tilde{\sigma} = 0\}$. Then $d_M = 1$ if M is one of the following spaces and $d_M = 0$ otherwise:*

$$SU(n)/SO(n) (n \geq 3), SU(2n)/Sp(n) (n \geq 3), SU(n) (n \geq 3), E_6/F_4 .$$

Now we determine the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$.

PROPOSITION 4.3. *Let M^n be a simply connected compact irreducible symmetric space satisfying $d_M = 0$. Assume that the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ is not empty.*

Then the riemannian manifold M^n is the sphere $S^n(c/4)$ with constant sectional curvature $c/4$ and the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ consists of one point. Moreover the unique element in $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ corresponds to the natural totally geodesic isometric immersion $f: S^n(c/4) \rightarrow P^n(c)$.

PROOF. Take $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. Then the assumption that $d_M=0$ implies that $\tilde{\sigma}=0$. Hence, by the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$, we have

$$R(X, Y)Z = (c/4)(\langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y)$$

for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$. This implies that M^n has constant sectional curvatures $c/4$. The other assertions are obvious. Q.E.D.

Now we consider the case when $d_M=1$. Then we have the following

PROPOSITION 4.4. Let M^n be a simply connected compact irreducible symmetric space satisfying $d_M=1$. Assume that the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ is not empty. Then the metric of M^n is determined uniquely by the constant c and the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ consists of one point.

PROOF. Let (M, \langle, \rangle_1) and (M, \langle, \rangle_2) be symmetric spaces with the same underlying manifold M . Suppose that $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{(M, \langle, \rangle_1)}$ and $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{(M, \langle, \rangle_2)}$ are not empty, and take $\tilde{\sigma}_j \in \mathcal{M}_{(M, \langle, \rangle_j)}$ for $j=1, 2$. Then, noting that M is not a sphere, we can see by the same way as for Proposition 4.3 that each $\tilde{\sigma}_j$ is nonzero. Since M is irreducible, we have $\langle, \rangle_2 = \alpha \langle, \rangle_1$ for some $\alpha > 0$. Moreover the assumption that $d_M=1$ implies that $\tilde{\sigma}_2 = \beta \tilde{\sigma}_1$ for some β . By the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}_j (j=1, 2)$, we have

$$(c/4)(\langle Y, Z \rangle_j X - \langle X, Z \rangle_j Y) = R(X, Y)Z - [\tilde{\sigma}_j(X), \tilde{\sigma}_j(Y)](Z)$$

and thus

$$(c/4)(\beta^2 - \alpha)(\langle Y, Z \rangle_1 X - \langle X, Z \rangle_1 Y) = (\beta^2 - 1)R(X, Y)Z$$

for all vectors $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{p}$. Since M is not a sphere, we have $\beta^2=1$ and $\alpha=1$. Hence we have $\langle, \rangle_1 = \langle, \rangle_2$ and $\tilde{\sigma}_2 = \pm \tilde{\sigma}_1$. Note that the symmetry $\phi \in F_o(M)$ at o acts on the set $S^3(\mathfrak{p})$ by $\phi \cdot \tilde{\sigma} = -\tilde{\sigma}$ for any $\tilde{\sigma} \in S^3(\mathfrak{p})$. Then we can see that the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_{(M, \langle, \rangle_1)} = \bar{\mathcal{M}}_{(M, \langle, \rangle_2)}$ consists of one point. Q.E.D.

In the next section we shall construct a model of a totally real parallel isometric immersion of M^n into $P^n(c)$ for M^n satisfying $d_M=1$. Hence, summing up Lemma 4.1 and Propositions 4.3, 4.4, we have the following

THEOREM 4.5. Let M^n be a simply connected symmetric space without

Euclidean factor. Then the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ is not empty if and only if the symmetric space M^n is one of the followings:

$$SU(n)/SO(n) \ (n \geq 3), \quad SU(2n)/Sp(n) \ (n \geq 3), \quad SU(n) \ (n \geq 3), \\ E_6/F_4, \quad SO(n+1)/SO(n) \ (n \geq 2).$$

In this case, the metric on the manifold M^n is determined uniquely by the constant c and the set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ consists of one point.

§5. Models of totally real parallel isometric immersions.

Let V be an $(n+1)$ -dimensional complex vector space furnished with a positive definite hermitian inner product $(,)$. Then we can define the associated inner product \langle , \rangle_V on V as follows:

$$\langle X, Y \rangle_V = \operatorname{Re}(X, Y)$$

for vectors $X, Y \in V$. Let $P(V)$ be the complex projective space associated to V , furnished with the Kähler metric \langle , \rangle with constant holomorphic sectional curvature c , and S the unit sphere in V furnished with the following riemannian metric \langle , \rangle_S :

$$\langle X, Y \rangle_S = (c/4) \langle X, Y \rangle_V$$

for tangent vectors X, Y of S . Then the Hopf fibring $\pi: S \rightarrow P(V)$ is a riemannian submersion. For a point $p \in S$, the horizontal subspace H_p at p is given by

$$H_p = \{X \in V; \langle X, p \rangle_V = \langle X, \sqrt{-1} \cdot p \rangle_V = 0\}.$$

Here note that the linear mapping $\pi_*: H_p \rightarrow T_{\pi(p)}(P(V))$ is a linear isometry satisfying $\pi_*(\sqrt{-1}X) = J(\pi_*X)$ for any $X \in H_p$. Let $\gamma(t)$ be a curve in S . Then a vector field Z_t along $\gamma(t)$ is called *horizontal* if $Z_t \in H_{\gamma(t)}$ for all t . The curve $\gamma(t)$ is called *horizontal* if $\dot{\gamma}(t)$ is a horizontal vector field along $\gamma(t)$. Moreover an isometric immersion \hat{f} of a riemannian manifold M into S is called *horizontal* if $\hat{f}_*(T_p(M)) \subset H_{\hat{f}(p)}$ for any point p in M . And a horizontal isometric immersion \hat{f} is called *totally real* if the subspaces $\hat{f}_*(T_p(M))$ and $\sqrt{-1}\hat{f}_*(T_p(M))$ are orthogonal. Let ∇^S be the riemannian connection on S for the riemannian metric \langle , \rangle_S . Then we have the following

LEMMA 5.1 (K. Nomizu [12] and B. O'Neill [13]). *Let $\gamma(t)$ be a horizontal curve in S parametrized by arc-length. Then $(\nabla_t^S \dot{\gamma})(t)$ is a horizontal vector field along $\gamma(t)$. Moreover*

$$\bar{\nabla}_t(\pi_* Z_t) = \pi_*(\nabla_t^S Z_t)$$

for any horizontal vector field Z_t along $\gamma(t)$.

Let \hat{f} be a horizontal (resp. horizontal and totally real) isometric immersion of an n -dimensional riemannian manifold M^n into S . Then the mapping $f = \pi \circ \hat{f}: M^n \rightarrow P(V)$ is an isometric immersion (resp. a totally real isometric immersion). Now we have the following

LEMMA 5.2. *Let $\gamma(t)$ be a geodesic in M parametrized by arc-length. If the horizontal part of $(\nabla_t^S)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))$ is contained in $\hat{f}_*(T_{\gamma(t)}(M))$, the normal vector $(\nabla_t^* \sigma_f)(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t))$ at $f(\gamma(t))$ equals zero.*

PROOF. Since the vector field $\nabla_t^* \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))$ is horizontal and $\pi_*(\nabla_t^S \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))) = \bar{\nabla}_t(f_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))) = \sigma_f(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t))$ by Lemma 5.1, we have by Lemma 5.1 again

$$(5.1) \quad \pi_*((\nabla_t^S)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))) = \bar{\nabla}_t(\sigma_f(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t))) .$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_t^* \sigma_f)(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) &= D_t(\sigma_f(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t))) \\ &= \text{the normal component of } \bar{\nabla}_t(\sigma_f(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t))) . \end{aligned}$$

By (5.1) and the assumption, the vector field $\bar{\nabla}_t(\sigma_f(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)))$ is a tangent vector field of M and thus $(\nabla_t^* \sigma_f)(\dot{\gamma}(t), \dot{\gamma}(t)) = 0$. Q.E.D.

Now we give the models of totally real parallel isometric immersions into $P^n(c)$ of irreducible compact simply connected symmetric spaces M satisfying $d_M = 1$.

MODEL 1. Let M be the manifold $SU(n)/SO(n) (n \geq 3)$ and V the complex vector space $S^n(\mathbb{C})$ of all complex symmetric matrices of degree n , furnished with the hermitian inner product:

$$(X, Y) = \text{Tr } XY^*$$

for $X, Y \in V$. An imbedding $\hat{f}: M \rightarrow S$ is defined by

$$\hat{f}(g \cdot SO(n)) = (1/\sqrt{n})^t g \cdot g$$

for $g \in SU(n)$ and thus the manifold M is furnished with the riemannian metric induced from that of S . Let e_n be the identity element of $SU(n)$ and put $o = e_n \cdot SO(n) \in M$. Now we can easily see the following facts:

(1) The tangent space $T_o(M)$ at o is identified with the space $\mathfrak{p} = \{\sqrt{-1}A; A \in S^n(\mathbb{R}), \text{Tr } A = 0\}$ and the following set \mathfrak{a} is a maximal abelian

subspace in \mathfrak{p} :

$$\alpha = \left\{ \sqrt{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -\sum x_j & & & 0 \\ & x_1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}; x_j \in \mathbf{R} \right\}.$$

(2) The isometric imbedding \hat{f} is equivariant relative to the representation $\rho: SU(n) \rightarrow SU(V)$ defined by

$$\rho(g)(X) = {}^t g X g$$

for $g \in SU(n)$ and $X \in V$.

(3) $\hat{f}(o) = (1/\sqrt{n})e_n$ and $(\hat{f}_*)_o(\mathfrak{p}) = \mathfrak{p}$. Hence \hat{f} is horizontal and totally real at o .

Then the riemannian metric of M is invariant under $SU(n)$ by (2) and hence M is a symmetric space, and the isometric imbedding \hat{f} is horizontal and totally real by (2) and (3). Hence $f = \pi \circ \hat{f}$ is a totally real isometric immersion.

Now we show that the isometric immersion f has the parallel second fundamental form. Since f is totally real in $P(V)$, the equation of Codazzi-Mainardi implies that $\nabla^* \sigma_f$ is a normal bundle valued symmetric tensor of degree 3. Note that f is equivariant by (2), and that maximal abelian subspaces in \mathfrak{p} are conjugate to each other under the natural action of $K = SO(n)$ on \mathfrak{p} . Hence it is sufficient for our claim to see that $(\nabla_X^* \sigma_f)(X, X) = 0$ for any unit vector

$$X = \sqrt{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -\sum x_j & & & 0 \\ & x_1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \alpha.$$

Let $\gamma(t)$ be the geodesic in M such that $\gamma(0) = o$ and $\dot{\gamma}(0) = X$. Then we have

$$\hat{f}(\gamma(t)) = (1/\sqrt{n}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2t(\sum x_j)\sqrt{-1}} & & & 0 \\ & e^{2tx_1\sqrt{-1}} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & e^{2tx_{n-1}\sqrt{-1}} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t)) = (1/\sqrt{n}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -2\sqrt{-1}(\Sigma x_j)e^{-2t(\Sigma x_j)\sqrt{-1}} & 0 \\ 2x_1\sqrt{-1}e^{2tx_1\sqrt{-1}} & \\ \vdots & \\ 0 & 2x_{n-1}\sqrt{-1}e^{2tx_{n-1}\sqrt{-1}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that $\nabla_t^s Z_t = dZ_t/dt + (c/4)\langle \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t)), Z_t \rangle_s \hat{f}(\gamma(t))$ for any vector field Z_t along $f(\gamma(t))$. Thus we have

$$\nabla_t^s \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t)) = (1/\sqrt{n}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} (c/4 - 4(\Sigma x_j)^2)e^{-2t(\Sigma x_j)\sqrt{-1}} & 0 \\ (c/4 - 4x_1^2)e^{2tx_1\sqrt{-1}} & \\ \vdots & \\ 0 & (c/4 - 4x_{n-1}^2)e^{2tx_{n-1}\sqrt{-1}} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$(\nabla_t^s)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))|_{t=0} = (2\sqrt{-1}/\sqrt{n}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -(c/4 - 4(\Sigma x_j)^2)(\Sigma x_j) & 0 \\ (c/4 - 4x_1^2)x_1 & \\ \vdots & \\ 0 & (c/4 - 4x_{n-1}^2)x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence the horizontal part of $(\nabla_t^s)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))|_{t=0}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & (\nabla_t^s)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))|_{t=0} - \frac{\langle (\nabla_t^s)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))|_{t=0}, \sqrt{-1}\hat{f}(\gamma(0)) \rangle_s}{|\sqrt{-1}\hat{f}(\gamma(0))|_s^2} \cdot \sqrt{-1}\hat{f}(\gamma(0)) \\ &= (1/\sqrt{-1}\sqrt{n}) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -2(\Sigma x_j)(c/4 - 4(\Sigma x_j)^2) - \lambda\sqrt{c}/2 & 0 \\ 2x_1(c/4 - 4x_1^2) - \lambda\sqrt{c}/2 & \\ \vdots & \\ 0 & 2x_{n-1}(c/4 - 4x_{n-1}^2) - \lambda\sqrt{c}/2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda = (16/n\sqrt{c})(\Sigma x_j)^3 - (\Sigma x_j^3)$. Here note that the trace of the above matrix equals zero. Hence the horizontal part of $(\nabla_t^s)^2 \hat{f}_*(\dot{\gamma}(t))|_{t=0}$ is contained in \mathfrak{p} . This implies that $(\nabla^* \sigma_f)(\dot{\gamma}(0), \dot{\gamma}(0), \dot{\gamma}(0)) = 0$ by Lemma 5.2. Hence f is a totally real parallel isometric immersion of M into $P(V)$.

MODEL 2. Let M be the manifold $SU(2n)/Sp(n) (n \geq 3)$ and V the complex vector space $\mathfrak{so}(2n; \mathbb{C})$ of all complex skew symmetric matrices of degree $2n$, furnished with the hermitian inner product:

$$(X, Y) = \text{Tr } XY^*$$

for vectors $X, Y \in V$. An imbedding $\hat{f}: M \rightarrow S$ is defined by

$$\hat{f}(g \cdot Sp(n)) = (1/\sqrt{2n})^t g J_n g$$

for $g \in SU(2n)$, where $J_n = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -e_n \\ e_n & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in V$, and thus the manifold M is furnished with the riemannian metric induced from that of S . Put $o = e_{2n} \cdot Sp(n) \in M$. Now we can easily see the following facts:

(1) The tangent space $T_o(M)$ at o is identified with the space

$$\mathfrak{p} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} Z & W \\ \bar{W} & {}^t Z \end{bmatrix}; Z \in \mathfrak{su}(n), W \in \mathfrak{so}(n; \mathbb{C}) \right\}$$

and the following set α is a maximal abelian subspace in \mathfrak{p} :

$$\alpha = \left\{ \sqrt{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -(\sum x_j) & & & & & & \\ & x_1 & & & & & \\ & & \ddots & & & & \\ & & & & x_{n-1} & & \\ & & & & & -(\sum x_j) & \\ & & & & & & x_1 \\ & & & & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & & & & x_{n-1} \end{bmatrix}; x_j \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

(2) The isometric imbedding \hat{f} is equivariant relative to the representation $\rho: SU(2n) \rightarrow SU(V)$ defined by

$$\rho(g)(X) = {}^t g X g$$

for $g \in SU(2n)$ and $X \in V$.

(3) $\hat{f}(o) = (1/\sqrt{2n})J_n$ and $(\hat{f}_*)_o(\mathfrak{p}) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{W} & -{}^t Z \\ Z & \bar{W} \end{bmatrix}; Z \in \mathfrak{so}(n), W \in \mathfrak{so}(n; \mathbb{C}) \right\}$. Hence \hat{f} is horizontal and totally real at o .

Then, by the same way as in Model 1, we can see that $f = \pi \circ \hat{f}$ is a totally real parallel isometric immersion.

MODEL 3. Let M be the manifold $SU(n) \times SU(n) / SU(n) (n \geq 3)$ and V the complex vector space $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ of all complex matrices of degree n , furnished with the hermitian inner product:

$$(X, Y) = \text{Tr } X Y^*$$

for vectors $X, Y \in V$. An imbedding $\hat{f}: M \rightarrow S$ is defined by

$$\hat{f}((g, h) \cdot SU(n)) = (1/\sqrt{n})gh^{-1}$$

for $g, h \in SU(n)$ and thus the manifold M is furnished with the riemannian metric induced from that of S . Put $o = (e_n, e_n) \cdot SU(n) \in M$. Now we can

easily see the following facts:

(1) The tangent space $T_o(M)$ at o is identified with the space $\mathfrak{p} = \{(X, -X); X \in \mathfrak{su}(n)\}$ and the following set \mathfrak{a} is a maximal abelian subspace in \mathfrak{p} :

$$\mathfrak{a} = \{(X, -X) \in \mathfrak{p}; X \text{ is diagonal}\} .$$

(2) The isometric imbedding \hat{f} is equivariant relative to the representation $\rho: SU(n) \times SU(n) \rightarrow SU(V)$ defined by

$$\rho((g, h))(X) = gXh^{-1}$$

for $g, h \in SU(n)$ and $X \in V$.

(3) $\hat{f}(o) = (1/\sqrt{n})e_n$ and $(\hat{f}_*)_o(\mathfrak{p}) = \mathfrak{su}(n)$. Hence \hat{f} is horizontal and totally real at o .

Then, by the same way as in Model 1, we can see that $f = \pi \circ \hat{f}$ is a totally real parallel isometric immersion.

MODEL 4. Let \mathcal{S} be the Cayley algebra over \mathbf{R} furnished with the canonical conjugation $-$, and set $\mathcal{F} = \{X \in M_3(\mathcal{S}); \bar{X} = X\}$. On the real vector space \mathcal{F} , we define the Jordan product \circ , the inner product $((,))$, the cross product \times , and the determinant \det as follows respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} X \circ Y &= (1/2)(XY + YX), ((X, Y)) = \text{Tr}(X \circ Y) , \\ X \times Y &= (1/2)(2X \circ Y - \text{Tr}(X)Y - \text{Tr}(Y)X + (\text{Tr}(X)\text{Tr}(Y) - \text{Tr}(X \circ Y))e_3) , \\ \det(X) &= (1/3)((X \times X, X)) \end{aligned}$$

for $X, Y \in \mathcal{F}$. Let V be the complexification of the real vector space \mathcal{F} and extend these $\circ, ((,)), \times, \det$ \mathbf{C} -linearly and naturally on V . Denote by τ the complex conjugate on V with respect to \mathcal{F} . Then $(X, Y) = ((\tau X, Y))$ is a positive definite hermitian inner product on V . We define

$$E_6 = \{g \in GL_c(V); \det(g(X)) = \det(X), (gX, gY) = (X, Y) \text{ for any } X, Y \in V\}$$

and

$$F_4 = \{g \in E_6; g(e_3) = e_3\} .$$

Then E_6 (resp. F_4) is a simply connected compact simple Lie group of type E_6 (resp. of type F_4). (cf. O. Shukugawa-I. Yokota [14])

Let M be the manifold E_6/F_4 . An imbedding $\hat{f}: M \rightarrow S$ is defined by

$$\hat{f}(g \cdot F_4) = (1/\sqrt{3})g(e_3)$$

for $g \in E_6$ and thus the manifold M is furnished with the riemannian

metric induced from that of S . Put $o=e_3 \cdot F_4 \in M$ and set $\mathcal{F}_0=\{X \in \mathcal{F}; \text{Tr } X=0\}$. Now we can easily see the following facts:

(1) Define the right translation R_X on \mathcal{F} for $X \in \mathcal{F}$ by $R_X(Y) = Y \circ X$ for $Y \in \mathcal{F}$. The tangent space $T_o(M)$ at o is identified with the space $\mathfrak{p}=\{\sqrt{-1}R_X \in \mathfrak{gl}(V); X \in \mathcal{F}_0\}$ and the following set \mathfrak{a} is a maximal abelian subspace in \mathfrak{p} :

$$\mathfrak{a}=\{\sqrt{-1}R_X \in \mathfrak{gl}(V); X \in \mathcal{F}_0, X \text{ is diagonal}\}.$$

(2) The isometric imbedding \hat{f} is equivariant relative to the representation $\rho: E_6 \rightarrow SU(V)$ defined by $\rho(g)(x)=g(x)$ for $g \in E_6$ and $X \in V$.

(3) $\hat{f}(o)=(1/\sqrt{3})e_3$ and $(\hat{f}_*)_o(\mathfrak{p})=\sqrt{-1}\mathcal{F}_0$. Hence \hat{f} is horizontal and totally real at o .

Then, by the same way as in Model 1, we can see that $f=\pi \circ \hat{f}$ is a totally real parallel isometric immersion.

REMARK 5.3. It is known that the isometric imbeddings $\hat{f}: M \rightarrow S$ in the above models are minimal. Since the imbeddings \hat{f} are horizontal, the isometric immersions f are minimal.

REMARK 5.4. We can see easily that the above isometric immersion $f: M \rightarrow P(V)$ is $(\sqrt{c}/2\sqrt{2})$ -isotropic (that is, $|\sigma_f(X, X)|=\sqrt{c}/2\sqrt{2}$ for any unit tangent vector X of M) if the symmetric space M is of rank two. Hence these isometric immersions f are examples of Theorem 4.13 in [11].

§ 6. The set $\bar{\mathcal{M}}_M$ for a simply connected symmetric space M with Euclidean factor.

In this section we assume that M^n is a simply connected symmetric space with Euclidean factor; thus, M is decomposed as a riemannian manifold as follows:

$$M^n = R^{n_0} \times M_1^{n_1} \times \dots \times M_r^{n_r} \quad \left(n = \sum_{j=0}^r n_j, n_0 > 0 \right)$$

where $M_j^{n_j}$ is an n_j -dimensional irreducible simply connected symmetric space for each j . Then the tangent space $T_o(M)=\mathfrak{p}$ (resp. the holonomy algebra \mathfrak{k}) is decomposed as follows:

$$\mathfrak{p} = \mathfrak{p}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^r \mathfrak{p}_j \quad \left(\text{resp. } \mathfrak{k} = \sum_{j=1}^r \mathfrak{k}_j \right)$$

where the subspaces \mathfrak{p}_j and \mathfrak{p}_0 in \mathfrak{p} (resp. the subalgebra \mathfrak{k}_j in \mathfrak{k}) denote the tangent spaces $T_o(M_j)$ and $T_o(R^{n_0})$ (resp. the holonomy algebra of M_j).

For a \mathfrak{p} -valued symmetric bilinear form $\tilde{\sigma}$ on \mathfrak{p} and any ordered triple $\{i, j, k\} (0 \leq i, j, k \leq r)$, a mapping $\tilde{\sigma}_{ij}^k: \mathfrak{p}_i \times \mathfrak{p}_j \rightarrow \mathfrak{p}_k$ is defined as in the section 4. Assume that $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. Since each holonomy algebra $\mathfrak{k}_j (1 \leq j \leq r)$ acts on the subspace \mathfrak{p}_j irreducibly and on the other spaces $\mathfrak{p}_k (j \neq k)$ trivially, the condition (2) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ implies that

$$(6.1) \quad \tilde{\sigma} = \sum_{j=0}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j + \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0 + \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{0j}^j + \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{j0}^j.$$

Now we define the *Euclidean j -th mean curvature vector* $H_j (1 \leq j \leq r)$ in \mathfrak{p}_0 by

$$H_j = (1/n_j) \text{Tr } \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0 = (1/n_j) \sum_{k=1}^{n_j} \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0(e_{jk}, e_{jk})$$

where $\{e_{jk}\}_{k=1}^{n_j}$ denotes an orthonormal basis of \mathfrak{p}_j , and call the length h_j of the vector H_j the *Euclidean j -th mean curvature*. Then we have the following

LEMMA 6.1. *Let $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0(X_j, X_j) &= \langle X_j, Y_j \rangle H_j \\ \tilde{\sigma}_{j0}^j(X_j, Z_0) &= \tilde{\sigma}_{0j}^j(Z_0, X_j) = \langle Z_0, H_j \rangle X_j \end{aligned}$$

for any $j (1 \leq j \leq r)$ and $Z_0 \in \mathfrak{p}_0, X_j, Y_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$.

PROOF. Since $\mathfrak{k}_j \cdot \tilde{\sigma} = 0$, we have

$$(6.2) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0(T_j X_j, Y_j) + \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0(X_j, T_j Y_j) = 0$$

and

$$(6.3) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j(T_j X_j, Y_j) + \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j(X_j, T_j Y_j) = T_j(\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j(X_j, Y_j))$$

for any $T_j \in \mathfrak{k}_j$ and all vectors $X_j, Y_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$. Let $\{e_a\}_{a=1}^{n_0}$ be an orthonormal basis of \mathfrak{p}_0 . Since M_j is irreducible, the condition (6.2) implies that

$$\langle \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0(X_j, Y_j), e_a \rangle = c_a^j \langle X_j, Y_j \rangle$$

for some $c_a^j \in \mathbf{R}$ and thus

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0(X_j, Y_j) = \langle X_j, Y_j \rangle \left(\sum_{a=1}^{n_0} c_a^j e_a \right) = \langle X_j, Y_j \rangle H_j$$

for all vectors $X_j, Y_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$.

The second equality is obtained by the symmetry condition (1) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ and the first equality. Q.E.D.

We denote by \mathcal{M}_M^d the set defined in the same way as \mathcal{M}_M by replacing the number $c/4$ in the condition (3) with the number d . Then we have the following

LEMMA 6.2. *Let $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. Then $\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j \in \mathcal{M}_{M_j}^{c/4+h_j^2}$ for each j .*

PROOF. The conditions (1) and (2) for $\mathcal{M}_{M_j}^{c/4+h_j^2}$ is obvious by the condition (1) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ and (6.3). We show that $\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j$ satisfies the condition (3) for $\mathcal{M}_{M_j}^{c/4+h_j^2}$. Denote by R^{M_j} the curvature tensor of M_j . Then, by the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$,

$$(c/4)(\langle Y_j, Z_j \rangle X_j - \langle X_j, Z_j \rangle Y_j) = R^{M_j}(X_j, Y_j)Z_j - [\tilde{\sigma}(X_j), \tilde{\sigma}(Y_j)]Z_j$$

for all vectors $X_j, Y_j, Z_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$. By (6.1) and Lemma 6.1, the second term of the right hand side is calculated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} [\tilde{\sigma}(X_j), \tilde{\sigma}(Y_j)]Z_j &= [\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j(X_j), \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j(Y_j)]Z_j \\ &\quad + h_j^2(\langle Y_j, Z_j \rangle X_j - \langle X_j, Z_j \rangle Y_j). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j$ satisfies the condition (3) for $\mathcal{M}_{M_j}^{c/4+h_j^2}$.

Q.E.D.

LEMMA 6.3. *Let $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. Then $\tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0 \in \mathcal{M}_{R^{n_0}}$ and*

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0(X_0, H_j) = \langle X_0, H_j \rangle H_j - (c/4)X_0$$

for any $X_0 \in \mathfrak{p}_0$. Moreover $\langle H_j, H_k \rangle = -c/4$ for distinct indices $j, k (1 \leq j, k \leq r)$.

PROOF. Note that the condition (2) for $\mathcal{M}_{R^{n_0}}$ is obvious since R^{n_0} is flat. Moreover by the conditions (1) and (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$ we can see easily that $\tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0$ satisfies the conditions (1) and (3) for $\mathcal{M}_{R^{n_0}}$. Put $X = X_0 \in \mathfrak{p}_0, Y = Y_j, Z = Z_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$ in the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$. Then we have

$$(c/4)\langle Y_j, Z_j \rangle X_0 = -[\tilde{\sigma}(X_0), \tilde{\sigma}(Y_j)]Z_j.$$

The right hand side is calculated by (6.1) and Lemma 6.2 as follows:

$$-[\tilde{\sigma}(X_0), \tilde{\sigma}(Y_j)]Z_j = \langle X_0, H_j \rangle \langle Y_j, Z_j \rangle H_j - \langle Y_j, Z_j \rangle \tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0(X_0, H_j).$$

Hence we have

$$(c/4)X_0 = \langle X_0, H_j \rangle H_j - \tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0(X_0, H_j).$$

Now, putting $X = X_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$ and $Y = Y_k, Z = Z_k \in \mathfrak{p}_k (1 \leq j \neq k \leq r)$ in the condition (3) for $\tilde{\sigma}$, we have

$$(c/4)\langle Y_k, Z_k \rangle X_j = -\langle Y_k, Z_k \rangle \langle H_j, H_k \rangle X_j$$

by (6.1) and Lemma 6.2, and thus $\langle H_j, H_k \rangle = -c/4$. Q.E.D.

Summing up Lemmas 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3, we have the claim (A) in the following

THEOREM 6.4. *Let M^n be a simply connected symmetric space with Euclidean factor decomposed as $M^n = R^{n_0} \times \prod_{j=1}^r M_j^{n_j}$ and $n = \sum_{j=0}^r n_j$. Then the following claims are true:*

(A) *Let $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_M$. Then*

$$(1) \quad \tilde{\sigma} = \sum_{j=0}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j + \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^0 + \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{j0}^j + \sum_{j=1}^r \tilde{\sigma}_{0j}^j$$

$$(2) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j \in \mathcal{M}_{M_j}^{c/4+h_j^2}$$

$$(3) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0 \in \mathcal{M}_{R^{n_0}}, \langle H_j, H_k \rangle = -c/4 \quad (1 \leq j \neq k \leq r),$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0(Z_0, H_j) = \langle Z_0, H_j \rangle H_j - (c/4)Z_0$$

$$(4) \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{j0}^j(X_j, Z_0) = \tilde{\sigma}_{0j}^j(Z_0, X_j) = \langle Z_0, H_j \rangle X_j,$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{jj}^j(X_j, Y_j) = \langle X_j, Y_j \rangle H_j$$

for any $Z_0 \in \mathfrak{p}_0$ and all vectors $X_j, Y_j \in \mathfrak{p}_j$.

(B) *Conversely any p -valued bilinear form $\tilde{\sigma}$ on \mathfrak{p} satisfying the conditions (1), (2), (3), (4) of (A) is an element in \mathcal{M}_M .*

Here the proof of our claim (B) is omitted since it is straightforward.

REMARK 6.5. Let M^n be a simply connected symmetric space with Euclidean factor. Changing the metric on M^n componentwise, we can construct infinitely many elements in \mathcal{M}_M . In fact, decompose M as above and suppose that $n_0 = r \geq 1$. First we shall show that there exist a basis $\{H_i\}_{i=1}^r$ of R^r and an R^r -valued bilinear form $\tilde{\sigma}_{00}^0$ on R^r satisfying the condition (3) of (A). If there exist such basis and R^r -valued form, by Theorem 6.4, (B) an element in \mathcal{M}_M can be constructed. Let $\{e_j\}_{j=1}^r$ be an orthonormal basis of R^r and set $H_i = \sum_{j=1}^r a_i^j e_j$, $A = (a_i^j)$. Moreover, for positive real numbers h_1, \dots, h_r , we set

$$S(h_1, \dots, h_r) = \begin{bmatrix} h_1^2 & -c/4 \cdots & -c/4 \\ -c/4 & h_2^2 & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots \\ -c/4 \cdots & -c/4 & h_r^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the condition for that $\{H_i\}$ is a basis of R^r such that $|H_j| = h_j$ ($1 \leq j \leq r$) and $\langle H_j, H_k \rangle = -c/4 (j \neq k)$ is written as follows:

$$(6.4) \quad \det A \neq 0, \quad A^t A = S(h_1, \dots, h_r).$$

Since the matrix $S(h_1, \dots, h_r)$ is symmetric, for sufficiently large numbers h_1, \dots, h_r , there exists a positive definite symmetric matrix A satisfying the condition (6.4). Then we define an \mathbf{R}^r -valued bilinear form $\tilde{\sigma}_{c_0}^0$ on \mathbf{R}^r as follows:

$$\tilde{\sigma}_{c_0}^0(H_j, H_k) = \langle H_j, H_k \rangle H_k - (c/4)H_j.$$

By easy calculations, we can see that the \mathbf{R}^r -valued bilinear form $\tilde{\sigma}_{c_0}^0$ on \mathbf{R}^r satisfies the condition (3) of (A). Thus we get infinitely many elements in \mathcal{M}_M by taking suitable metrics on $M_j (1 \leq j \leq r)$.

Now, in the case when $M = \mathbf{R}^2$, we have the following

THEOREM 6.6. *There exists a unique complete totally real parallel flat minimal surface M^2 in $P^2(c)$ (up to holomorphic isometries of $P^2(c)$). The norm $|\sigma|$ of the second fundamental form σ of M^2 is given by $|\sigma|^2 = (1/2)c$.*

PROOF. Let $\{e_1, e_2\}$ be an orthonormal basis of \mathbf{R}^2 . Then the condition $\tilde{\sigma} \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{R}^2}$ is equivalent to the condition that

$$(6.5) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\sigma}(e_1, e_1) = \alpha e_1 + \beta e_2 \\ \tilde{\sigma}(e_1, e_2) = \beta e_1 + \gamma e_2 \\ \tilde{\sigma}(e_2, e_2) = \gamma e_1 + \delta e_2 \end{array} \right\}, \quad \text{and} \quad c/4 = \beta^2 + \gamma^2 - \alpha\gamma - \beta\delta.$$

Suppose that the totally real parallel immersion of \mathbf{R}^2 corresponding to $\tilde{\sigma}$ is minimal. Then $\alpha + \gamma = \beta + \delta = 0$ and thus $\beta^2 + \gamma^2 = c/8$ by the second equality of (6.5). Put $\beta = \sqrt{c/8} \cos \theta$ and $\gamma = \sqrt{c/8} \sin \theta$ for some θ and define a linear isometry g of \mathbf{R}^2 by

$$(g(e_1), g(e_2)) = (e_1, e_2) \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta/3) & \sin(\theta/3) \\ -\sin(\theta/3) & \cos(\theta/3) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we have

$$(g \cdot \tilde{\sigma})(e_1, e_1) = -(g \cdot \tilde{\sigma})(e_2, e_2) = \sqrt{c/8}e_2, \quad (g \cdot \tilde{\sigma})(e_1, e_2) = \sqrt{c/8}e_1.$$

Hence all elements in $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{R}^2}$ corresponding to minimal immersions belong to the same equivalence class. Now by Theorem 3.4 and 3.6 we get our first claim. The second claim follows from $|g \cdot \tilde{\sigma}|^2 = (1/2)c$. Q.E.D.

REMARK 6.7. S.T.Yau [18] has shown that if M^2 is a complete non-negative curved totally real minimal surface in $P^2(c)$, M^2 is totally geodesic

or flat, and moreover in the second case the second fundamental form is parallel. The minimal surface of Theorem 6.6 gives a unique example of surfaces in the flat case. This has been constructed concretely in the author's paper [11] and it is compact.

REMARK 6.8. B. Y. Chen and K. Ogiue [3] has shown that if M^n is a compact totally real minimal submanifold in $P^n(c)$ such that $|\sigma_p|^2 < (n(n+1)/4(2n-1))c$ for any point p in M , then M^n is totally geodesic. Suppose that $|\sigma_p|^2 = (n(n+1)/4(2n-1))c$ for any point $p \in M$. Then, along their proof, the second fundamental form is parallel. In the case when $n=2$ (then $(n(n+1)/4(2n-1))c = (1/2)c$), the universal covering of the compact totally real parallel minimal surface M^2 has Euclidean factor and thus is flat. Hence our minimal surface in $P^2(c)$ of Theorem 6.6 is a unique compact totally real minimal surface M^2 in $P^2(c)$ such that $|\sigma_p|^2 = (1/2)c$ for any point $p \in M^2$.

REMARK 6.9. In the next paper together with M. Takeuchi the complete classification of n -dimensional complete totally real parallel submanifolds in $P^n(c)$ shall be given by a different way.

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