

47. On Homogeneous Complex Manifolds with Negative Definite Canonical Hermitian Form

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Throughout this note, G denotes a connected Lie group and K is a closed subgroup of G . We assume that G acts effectively on the homogeneous space G/K . Suppose that G/K carries a G -invariant complex structure I and a G -invariant volume element v . Then we may define canonical hermitian form associated to I and v [2].

Theorem. *Let G/K be a homogeneous complex manifold with a G -invariant volume element. If the canonical hermitian form h of G/K is negative definite, then G is a semisimple Lie group.*

Proof. Let \mathfrak{g} be the Lie algebra of all left invariant vector fields on G and \mathfrak{k} the subalgebra of \mathfrak{g} corresponding to K . We denote by I the G -invariant complex structure tensor on G/K . Let π_e be the differential of the canonical projection π from G onto G/K at the identity e and let $I_{e'}$ (resp. X_e) be the value of I (resp. $X \in \mathfrak{g}$) at $\pi(e) = e'$ (resp. e). Koszul [2] proved that there exists a linear endomorphism J of \mathfrak{g} such that for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ and $W \in \mathfrak{k}$

$$\pi_e(JX)_e = I_{e'}(\pi_e X_e) \quad (1)$$

$$J\mathfrak{k} \subset \mathfrak{k} \quad (2)$$

$$J^2 X \equiv -X \pmod{\mathfrak{k}} \quad (3)$$

$$[JX, W] \equiv J[X, W] \pmod{\mathfrak{k}} \quad (4)$$

$$[JX, JY] \equiv J[JX, Y] + J[X, JY] + [X, Y] \pmod{\mathfrak{k}} \quad (5)$$

Moreover, the canonical hermitian form h of G/K associated to the G -invariant volume element is expressed as follows. Putting

$$\eta = \pi^* h,$$

$$\eta(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2} \psi([JX, Y]) \quad (6)$$

for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$, where $\psi(X) = \text{trace of } (ad(JX) - Jad(X)) \text{ on } \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k}$ for $X \in \mathfrak{g}$. As h is assumed to be negative definite, $\eta(X, X) \leq 0$ for any $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, and $\eta(X, X) = 0$ if and only if $X \in \mathfrak{k}$. Therefore, putting $\omega = -\psi$, $(\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{k}, J, \omega)$ is a j -algebra in the sense of E. B. Vinberg, S. G. Gindikin and I. I. Pjateckii-Šapiro [4].

Now suppose that \mathfrak{g} is not a semisimple Lie algebra. Then there is a non-zero commutative ideal \mathfrak{r} of \mathfrak{g} . Consider the J -invariant subalgebra