On some compact Einstein almost Kähler manifolds

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§ 1. Introduction.

An almost Hermitian manifold M=(M,J,<,>) is called an almost Kähler manifold if the corresponding Kähler form of M is closed (equivalently, $\langle (\nabla_x J)Y,Z\rangle + \langle (\nabla_x J)Z,X\rangle + \langle (\nabla_z J)X,Y\rangle = 0$, for all $X,Y,Z\in\mathfrak{X}(M)$, where $\mathfrak{X}(M)$ denotes the Lie algebra of all differentiable vector fields on M). By the definition, a Kähler manifold $(\nabla J=0)$ is necessarily an almost Kähler manifold. If the almost complex structure J of an almost Kähler manifold M is integrable, then M is a Kähler manifold M. A strictly almost Kähler manifold is an almost Kähler manifold whose almost complex structure is not integrable. Several examples of strictly almost Kähler manifolds are known [1], [2], [3], [7], [9]. By an Einstein almost Hermitian manifold we mean an almost Hermitian manifold which is Einstein in the Riemannian sense. The following conjecture is well-known [4], [9]:

Conjecture. The almost complex structure of a compact Einstein almost Kähler manifold is integrable.

Concerning this conjecture, some progress has been made under some curvature conditions ([4], [6], and etc.).

In this paper, we shall give a partial positive answer to the above conjecture. Namely, we shall prove the following

THEOREM. Let M=(M, J, <, >) be a compact Einstein almost Kähler manifold whose scalar curvature is non-negative. Then M is a Kähler manifold.

§ 2. Preliminaries.

In this section, we prepare some elementary equalities which will be used in the proof of Theorem in § 1.

Let M=(M, J, <, >) be a 2n-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold with the almost Hermitian structure (J, <, >) and Ω the Kähler form of M defined

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by $\Omega(X, Y) = \langle X, JY \rangle$, for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. In the sequel, we assume that M is oriented by the volume form $\sigma = ((-1)^n/n!)\Omega^n$. We denote by ∇ , R, ρ and τ the Riemannian connection, the curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor and the scalar curvature of M, respectively. The curvature tensor R is defined by

$$(2.1) R(X, Y)Z = [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y]Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]}Z,$$

for X, Y, $Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. We introduce a tensor field ρ^* of type (0, 2) (the tensor field ρ^* is called the Ricci *-tensor [8]) defined by

(2.2)
$$\rho^*(x, y) = (1/2) \text{ trace of } (z \longmapsto R(x, Jy)Jz),$$

for x, y, $z \in T_p M$ (the tangent space of M at p), $p \in M$. We denote by τ^* (τ^* is called the *-scalar curvature) the trace of the linear endomorphism Q^* defined by $\langle Q^*x, y \rangle = \rho^*(x, y)$, for x, $y \in T_p M$, $p \in M$. By (2.2), we get immediately

(2.3)
$$\rho^*(x, y) = \rho^*(Jy, Jx),$$

for $x, y \in T_pM$, $p \in M$. We denote by TM and Λ^kM $(k \ge 1)$ the tangent bundle of M and the vector bundle of real exterior k-forms over M, respectively. Then we may regard Λ^kM as a Riemannian vector bundle over M in the natural way. The curvature operator (also denoted by R) is the symmetric endomorphism of the vector bundle Λ^2M of real exterior 2-forms defined by

$$\langle R(\iota(x) \wedge \iota(y)), \iota(z) \wedge \iota(w) \rangle = -\langle R(x, y)z, w \rangle,$$

for x, y, z, $w \in T_p M$, $p \in M$, where ℓ denotes the duality: $TM \to \Lambda^1 M = T^*M$ (the cotangent bundle of M) defined by means of the metric \langle , \rangle . For 1-form ω , $J\omega$ is the 1-form defined by $J\omega(X) = -\omega(JX)$, for $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. Then we have $J(\ell(x)) = \ell(Jx)$, for $x \in T_p M$, $p \in M$. Let $\{e_i\}$ be an orthonormal basis of $T_p M$ at any point $p \in M$. In this paper, we shall adopt the following notational convention:

and so on, where the Latin indices run over the range $1, 2, \dots, 2n$. We get easily

$$(2.6) \nabla_i J_{i\bar{k}} = -\nabla_i J_{i\bar{k}}.$$

Now, we shall define differentiable functions f_1, \dots, f_5 on M respectively by

$$\begin{split} f_1(p) &= \sum R_{abij} (R_{\bar{a}\bar{b}ij} - R_{\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{i}\bar{j}}) \,, \\ f_2(p) &= \sum R_{a\bar{a}ij} (R_{b\bar{b}ij} - R_{b\bar{b}\bar{i}\bar{j}}) \,, \\ f_3(p) &= \sum R_{a\bar{a}ij} (\nabla_{\bar{b}} J_{ik}) \nabla_b J_{jk} \,, \\ f_4(p) &= \sum R_{abij} (\nabla_{\bar{b}} J_{ik}) \nabla_{\bar{a}} J_{jk} \,, \\ f_5(p) &= \sum (\langle R(e^i \wedge e^j - Je^i \wedge Je^j), \, e^a \wedge e^b - Je^a \wedge Je^b \rangle)^2 \,, \end{split}$$

at any point $p \in M$, where $e^i = \iota(e_i)$ $(1 \le i \le 2n)$. We shall evaluate the values of the functions f_1, \dots, f_4 at each point $p \in M$. By the definition of the function f_1 , we have easily the following

LEMMA 2.1.

$$f_1(p) = \frac{1}{2} \sum \langle R(e^i \wedge e^j - Je^i \wedge Je^j), \ e^a \wedge e^b \rangle \langle R(e^i \wedge e^j - Je^i \wedge Je^j), \ Je^a \wedge Je^b \rangle.$$

Similarly, taking account of (2.2) and (2.3), we have the following

LEMMA 2.2.
$$f_2(p) = 2\sum (\rho^*_{ij} - \rho^*_{ji})^2$$
.

In the rest of this section, we assume that M=(M, J, <, >) is a 2n-dimensional almost Kähler manifold. Then it is known that M is a quasi Kähler manifold [10], i.e.,

$$(2.8) \qquad (\nabla_X J)Y + (\nabla_{JX} J)JY = 0,$$

for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$.

Lemma 2.3.
$$\sum (\nabla_b J_{ik})(\nabla_a J_{jk})(\nabla_{\bar{a}} J_{ih})\nabla_{\bar{b}} J_{jh} = 0$$
.

PROOF. Taking account of (2.8), we get

On one hand, we get also

$$(2.10) \qquad \qquad \sum (\nabla_b J_{ik})(\nabla_a J_{jk})(\nabla_{\bar{a}} J_{ih})\nabla_{\bar{b}} J_{jh} = \sum (\nabla_b J_{ik})(\nabla_a J_{jk})(\nabla_a J_{ih})\nabla_b J_{jh}.$$

From (2.9) and (2.10), the lemma follows immediately. Q. E. D.

By (2.8), we get

$$(2.11) \qquad \qquad \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_a J_{ij}) \nabla_{\bar{b}} J_{ij} = -\sum_{i,j} (\nabla_{\bar{a}} J_{\bar{i}j}) \nabla_b J_{\bar{i}j} = -\sum_{i,j} (\nabla_{\bar{a}} J_{ij}) \nabla_b J_{ij} .$$

Similarly, by (2.6) and (2.8), we get

$$(2.12) \qquad \qquad \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_j J_{ia}) \nabla_j J_{i\bar{b}} = \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_{\bar{j}} J_{\bar{i}a}) \nabla_{\bar{j}} J_{\bar{i}\bar{b}} = -\sum_{i,j} (\nabla_j J_{i\bar{a}}) \nabla_j J_{ib} .$$

Since M is an almost Kähler manifold, we get

(2.13)
$$\sum_{i,j,k} (\nabla_i J_{bk}) J_{aj} \nabla_j J_{ki} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j,k} (\nabla_i J_{bk} - \nabla_k J_{bi}) J_{aj} \nabla_j J_{ki}$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,k} (\nabla_b J_{ki}) \nabla_{\overline{a}} J_{ki}.$$

Similarly, we get

$$\begin{split} (2.14) \quad & \sum_{i,j,k} J_{bk}(\nabla_i J_{aj}) \nabla_j J_{ki} = -\sum_{i,j,k} J_{bk}(\nabla_a J_{ji}) \nabla_j J_{ki} - \sum_{i,j,k} J_{bk}(\nabla_j J_{ia}) \nabla_j J_{ki} \\ & = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j,k} J_{bk}(\nabla_a J_{ji}) (\nabla_j J_{ki} - \nabla_i J_{kj}) + \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_j J_{ia}) \nabla_j J_{i\bar{b}} \\ & = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_a J_{ij}) \nabla_{\bar{b}} J_{ij} + \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_j J_{ia}) \nabla_j J_{i\bar{b}} \,. \end{split}$$

From (2.8), taking account of (2.11) \sim (2.14), we get

$$(2.15) \qquad \sum_{i} \nabla_{i\bar{a}}^{2} J_{\bar{b}i} = \sum_{i,j,k} J_{bk} J_{aj} \nabla_{ij}^{2} J_{ki}$$

$$= -\sum_{i} \nabla_{ia}^{2} J_{bi} - \sum_{i,j,k} (\nabla_{i} J_{bk}) J_{aj} \nabla_{j} J_{ki} - \sum_{i,j,k} J_{bk} (\nabla_{i} J_{aj}) \nabla_{j} J_{ki}$$

$$= -\sum_{i} \nabla_{ia}^{2} J_{bi} + \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_{j} J_{i\bar{a}}) \nabla_{j} J_{ib}.$$

LEMMA 2.4.
$$\rho^*_{ab} + \rho^*_{ba} = \rho_{ab} + \rho_{\bar{a}\bar{b}} + \sum_{i,j} (\nabla_j J_{ia}) \nabla_j J_{ib}.$$

PROOF. By (2.2) and the first Bianchi identity, we get

$$(2.16) 2\rho^*_{a\bar{b}} - 2\rho^*_{\bar{a}b} = \sum_{i} R_{i\bar{i}ab} + \sum_{i} R_{i\bar{i}\bar{a}\bar{b}}$$

$$= -\sum_{i} R_{iab\bar{i}} - \sum_{i} R_{ib\bar{i}a} - \sum_{i} R_{i\bar{a}b\bar{i}} - \sum_{i} R_{i\bar{b}\bar{i}\bar{a}}.$$

On one hand, we get easily

$$(2.17) \qquad \qquad \sum_{i} \nabla_{ia}^{2} J_{bi} - \sum_{i} \nabla_{ai}^{2} J_{bi} = \rho_{a\bar{b}} + \sum_{i} R_{iab\bar{i}}.$$

From (2.17), taking account of (2.8), we get

$$(2.18) \qquad \qquad \sum_{i} R_{iab\bar{i}} = -\rho_{a\bar{b}} + \sum_{i} \nabla^{2}_{ia} J_{bi}.$$

By (2.12), (2.15), (2.16) and (2.18), we get

$$(2.19) 2\rho^*_{a\bar{b}} - 2\rho^*_{\bar{a}b} = 2\rho_{a\bar{b}} - 2\rho_{\bar{a}b} - \sum_{i} \nabla^2_{ia} J_{bi} - \sum_{i} \nabla^2_{i\bar{a}} J_{\bar{b}i} + \sum_{i} \nabla^2_{ib} J_{ai} + \sum_{i} \nabla^2_{i\bar{b}} J_{\bar{a}i}$$
$$= 2\rho_{a\bar{b}} - 2\rho_{\bar{a}b} + 2\sum_{i,j} (\nabla_{j} J_{ia}) \nabla_{j} J_{i\bar{b}}.$$

From (2.19), the lemma follows immediately. Q. E. D.

Now, we evaluate the value $f_3(p)$ of the function f_3 at any point $p \in M$. We may choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_i\} = \{e_\alpha, e_{n+\alpha} = Je_\alpha\}$ $(1 \le \alpha, \beta \le n)$ in such a way that

$$\sum_{j,k} (\nabla_j J_{ka}) \nabla_j J_{kb} = \lambda_a \delta_{ab} ,$$

where $\lambda_1 = \lambda_{n+1} \le \cdots \le \lambda_n = \lambda_{2n}$. We denote by f the continuous function on M defined by

$$(2.21) f(p) = \sum_{i,j} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)^2.$$

By (2.21), we get

(2.22)
$$f(p) = 4n \sum_{i} \lambda_{i}^{2} - 2 \sum_{i,j} \lambda_{i} \lambda_{j} = 4n \sum_{i} \lambda_{i}^{2} - 2 \|\nabla J\|^{4}(p).$$

LEMMA 2.5.

$$f_3(p) = -2\sum \rho_{ij} (\nabla_b J_{ik}) \nabla_b J_{jk} - \frac{1}{4n} f(p) - \frac{1}{2n} \|\nabla J\|^4(p)$$
,

at any point $p \in M$.

PROOF. By (2.7), (2.8), (2.20), (2.22) and Lemma 2.4, we get

$$\begin{split} f_3(p) &= \sum R_{a\bar{a}ij} (\nabla_b J_{ik}) \nabla_b J_{jk} \\ &= \sum R_{a\bar{a}i\bar{j}} (\nabla_b J_{ik}) \nabla_b J_{jk} \\ &= -\sum (\rho^*_{ij} + \rho^*_{ji}) (\nabla_b J_{ik}) \nabla_b J_{jk} \\ &= -2\sum \rho_{ij} (\nabla_b J_{ik}) \nabla_b J_{jk} - \frac{1}{4n} f(p) - \frac{1}{2n} \|\nabla J\|^4(p) . \end{split}$$
 Q. E. D.

Lastly, we evaluate the value $f_4(p)$ of the function f_4 at any point $p \in M$. We denote by ξ the vector field on M defined by

$$\xi_p = \sum_{a} \left(\sum_{b,i,j,k} R_{abij} (\nabla_b J_{ik}) J_{jk} \right) e_a, \quad \text{at } p \in M$$

From (2.7) and (2.23), by the direct calculation, we have easily the following

LEMMA 2.6.

$$\begin{split} f_4(p) &= (\mathrm{div}\,\xi)(p) + \sum (\nabla_i \rho_{bj} - \nabla_j \rho_{bi})(\nabla_b J_{ik})J_{jk} \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} \sum (\langle R(e^i \wedge e^j - Je^i \wedge Je^j), \; e^a \wedge e^b \rangle)^2 \,. \end{split}$$

By Lemmas 2.1, 2.6, and (2.7), we have the following immediately

LEMMA 2.7.

$$f_{\rm 1}(p) - 2f_{\rm 4}(p) = -2({\rm div}\,\xi)(p) - \frac{1}{4}f_{\rm 5}(p) - 2\sum (\nabla_i\rho_{bj} - \nabla_j\rho_{bi})(\nabla_bJ_{ik})J_{jk}\,.$$

§ 3. An integral formula.

In this section, we establish an integral formula on a compact almost Kähler manifold which plays an essential role in the proof of Theorem in §1. First, we start with a general almost Hermitian manifold M=(M, J, <, >). We assume that $\dim M=2n\ge 4$. We denote by ∇' the linear connection on M defined by

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{X}}'Y = \nabla_{\mathbf{X}}Y - \frac{1}{2}J(\nabla_{\mathbf{X}}J)Y,$$

for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ [10]. Then we may easily check that both of the Riemannian metric \langle , \rangle and the almost complex structure J are parallel with respect to the linear connection ∇' . Furthermore, by direct calculation, we have the following

LEMMA 3.1. The curvature tensor R' of the linear connection ∇' is given by

$$R'(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{2}(R(X, Y)Z - JR(X, Y)JZ) - \frac{1}{4}((\nabla_X J)(\nabla_Y J)Z - (\nabla_Y J)(\nabla_X J)Z),$$

for $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$.

We denote by $\mu_1(\nabla)$ (resp. $\mu_1(\nabla')$) the first Pontrjagin form corresponding to the metric connection ∇ (resp. ∇'). Then, by the well-known Chern-Weil theorem, the first Pontrjagin class $p_1(M)$ of M is represented by the 4-form $\mu_1(\nabla)$ (resp. $\mu_1(\nabla')$) in the de Rham cohomology group. The 4-form $\mu_1(\nabla)$ (resp. $\mu_1(\nabla')$) is given by

(3.2)
$$\mu_1(\nabla)_p = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \sum R_{abij} R_{cdij} e^a \wedge e^b \wedge e^c \wedge e^d$$

(resp. $\mu_1(\nabla')_p = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \sum R'_{abij} R'_{cdij} e^a \wedge e^b \wedge e^c \wedge e^d$), at any point $p \in M$, [5]. Let $\{e_i\}$ be an orthonormal basis of the tangent space T_pM of the form $\{e_i\} = \{e_\alpha, Je_\alpha\}$. Then we get

$$\Omega = -\sum_{\alpha} e^{\alpha} \wedge J e^{\alpha}.$$

From (3.3), we get easily

(3.4)
$$\Omega^{n-2} = (-1)^{n-2} (n-2) ! \sum_{\alpha < \beta} e^1 \wedge J e^1 \wedge \cdots$$

$$\wedge \widehat{e^{\alpha} \wedge J e^{\alpha} \wedge \cdots \wedge e^{\beta} \wedge J e^{\beta} \wedge \cdots \wedge e^n \wedge J e^n},$$

where $^{\wedge}$ denotes the delation. We here assume Ω^0 =1. By (3.2) and (3.4), we get

$$(3.5) \mu_1(\nabla) \wedge \Omega^{n-2} = \frac{(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)!}{32\pi^2} (\sum R_{a\bar{a}ij} R_{b\bar{b}ij} - 2\sum R_{abij} R_{\bar{a}\bar{b}ij}) \sigma ,$$

$$(\text{resp. }\mu_{\mathbf{1}}(\nabla') \wedge \varOmega^{n-2} = \frac{(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)\,!}{32\pi^2} (\sum R'_{a\,\bar{a}\,ij} R'_{b\bar{b}\,ij} - 2\sum R'_{a\,b\,ij} R'_{\bar{a}\,\bar{b}\,ij})\sigma).$$

In the rest of this section, we assume that M is a $2n(n \ge 2)$ -dimensional compact almost Kähler manifold. Then it follows that the 2n-form $\mu_1(\nabla) \wedge \Omega^{n-2} - \mu_1(\nabla') \wedge \Omega^{n-2}$ is exact. Thus, by Stokes' theorem, we get

$$(3.6) \qquad \qquad \int_{\mathcal{M}} (\mu_1(\nabla) - \mu_1(\nabla')) \wedge \Omega^{n-2} = 0.$$

From (3.5) and (3.6), taking account of (2.7), (2.8) and Lemmas 2.3, 3.1, we have finally the following

PROPOSITION 3.2. Let M=(M, J, <, >) be a $2n(n \ge 2)$ -dimensional compact almost Kähler manifold. Then we have

$$\int_{M} \left(f_{1} - \frac{1}{2} f_{2} + f_{3} - 2 f_{4} \right) \sigma = 0.$$

§ 4. Proof of Theorem.

It is well-known that any 2-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold is a Kähler manifold. On one hand, the present author has proved that Theorem is true in the case $\dim M=4$ [6]. So, for the proof of Theorem, it suffices to consider the case $\dim M>4$. Let M=(M, J, <, >) be a 2n(n>2)-dimensional compact Einstein almost Kähler manifold. Then we have

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\tau}{2n} \langle X, Y \rangle,$$

for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. By (4.1) and Lemma 2.7, we get

(4.2)
$$\int_{\mathbf{M}} (f_1 - 2f_4) \sigma = -\frac{1}{4} \int_{\mathbf{M}} f_5 \sigma.$$

Furthermore, by (2.20), (4.1) and Lemma 2.5, we get

(4.3)
$$\int_{\mathbf{M}} f_{3} \sigma = -\int_{\mathbf{M}} \left(\frac{\tau}{n} \| \nabla J \|^{2} + \frac{1}{4n} f + \frac{1}{2n} \| \nabla J \|^{4} \right) \sigma .$$

Thus, from Proposition 3.2, taking account of (4.2) and (4.3), we have finally

$$(4.4) \qquad \int_{M} \left(\frac{1}{4} f_{5} + \frac{1}{2} f_{2}\right) \sigma = -\int_{M} \left(\frac{\tau}{n} \|\nabla J\|^{2} + \frac{1}{4n} f + \frac{1}{2n} \|\nabla J\|^{4}\right) \sigma.$$

From (4.4), taking account of (2.7), (2.21) and Lemma 2.2, we may easily show that if the scalar curvature τ of M is non-negative, then ∇J vanishes identically on M, that is, M is a Kähler manifold. This completes the proof of Theorem.

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