

## MANIFOLDS WITH ANTINORMAL $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -STRUCTURE

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*To Professor Shigeru Ishihara on his fiftieth birthday*

### 0. Introduction.

It is now well known that submanifolds of codimension 2 of an almost Hermitian manifold and hypersurfaces of an almost contact metric manifold admit an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure, that is, a set of a tensor field  $f$  of type  $(1, 1)$ , a Riemannian metric  $g$ , two 1-forms  $u$  and  $v$  and a function  $\lambda$  satisfying

$$(0.1) \quad \begin{aligned} f^2 X &= -X + u(X)U + v(X)V, \\ g(fX, fY) &= g(X, Y) - u(X)u(Y) - v(X)v(Y), \\ u(fX) &= \lambda v(X), \quad v(fX) = -\lambda u(X), \\ u(U) &= 1 - \lambda^2, \quad u(V) = 0, \quad v(U) = 0, \quad v(V) = 1 - \lambda^2 \end{aligned}$$

for arbitrary vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $U$  and  $V$  being vector fields defined by  $u(X) = g(U, X)$  and  $v(X) = g(V, X)$  respectively. If the tensor defined by

$$(0.2) \quad S(X, Y) = N(X, Y) + (du)(X, Y)U + (dv)(X, Y)V,$$

$N(X, Y)$  being the Nijenhuis tensor formed with  $f$ , vanishes, the  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is said to be *normal*.

In the sequel we assume that the dimension of the manifold denoted by  $M$  is greater than 2.

Okumura and one of the present authors [8] proved

**THEOREM 0.1.** *Let  $M$  be a complete differentiable manifold with normal  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure satisfying*

$$du = 2\omega, \quad dv = 2\phi\omega,$$

*$\omega$  being a 2-form defined by  $\omega(X, Y) = g(fX, Y)$  and  $\phi$  a function on  $M$ . If  $\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero, then  $M$  is isometric to an even-dimensional sphere.*

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The present authors [6] proved

**THEOREM 0.2.** *Let  $M$  be a complete differentiable manifold with normal  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure satisfying*

$$\mathcal{L}_U g = -2c\lambda g \quad \text{or} \quad dv = 2c\omega,$$

$\mathcal{L}_U$  denoting the Lie derivation with respect to the vector field  $U$  and  $c$  a non-zero constant. If  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero, then  $M$  is isometric to an even-dimensional sphere.

Okumura and one of the present authors [9] proved

**THEOREM 0.3.** *Let a complete differentiable submanifold  $M$  of codimension 2 of an even-dimensional Euclidean space  $E$  be such that the connection induced in the normal bundle of  $M$  is trivial. If the  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure induced on  $M$  is normal,  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  being almost everywhere non-zero, then  $M$  is a sphere, a plane, or a product of a sphere and a plane.*

A typical example of an even-dimensional differentiable manifold with a normal  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is an even-dimensional sphere  $S^{2n}$ .

$S^n \times S^n$  is also a typical example of an even-dimensional differentiable manifold which admits an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure, but the structure is not normal. Blair, Ludden and one of the present authors [1, 2] proved

**THEOREM 0.4.** *If  $M$  is a complete orientable hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}$  of constant scalar curvature satisfying  $fK + Kf = 0$ ,  $K$  being the Weingarten tensor and  $\lambda \neq \text{constant}$ ,  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  being almost everywhere non-zero, then  $M$  is a natural sphere  $S^{2n}$  or  $S^n \times S^n$ .*

The  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure induced on an orientable hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  with induced metric tensor  $g_{ji}$  and the second fundamental tensor  $k_{ji}$  satisfies

$$(0.3) \quad \nabla_j f_i^h = -g_{ji}u^h + \delta_{ji}^h u_i - k_{ji}v^h + k_j^h v_i,$$

$$(0.4) \quad \nabla_j u_i = f_{ji} - \lambda k_{ji},$$

$$(0.5) \quad \nabla_j v_i = -k_{ji}f_i^t + \lambda g_{ji},$$

$$(0.6) \quad \nabla_j \lambda = k_{ji}u^i - v_j,$$

where  $f_i^h, u_i, v_i$  and  $\lambda$  are components of  $f, u, v$  and  $\lambda$  respectively,  $\nabla_j$  being the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to  $g_{ji}$ . Here and in the sequel, the indices  $h, i, j, k, \dots$  run over the range  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ .

One of the present authors [4] proved

**THEOREM 0.5.** *Suppose that a complete orientable  $2n$ -dimensional differentiable manifold  $M^{2n}$  is immersed in  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  as a hypersurface. If  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure induced on this hypersurface is such that  $\lambda \neq \text{const.}$  and  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  is almost every-*

where non-zero and if it satisfies  $\nabla_i \lambda = c v_i$ ,  $c$  being a non-zero constant, then  $c$  must be  $-1$  or  $-2$  and when  $c = -1$ ,  $M^{2n}$  is isometric to  $S^{2n}(1)$  and when  $c = -2$ ,  $M^{2n}$  is isometric to  $S^n(1/\sqrt{2}) \times S^n(1/\sqrt{2})$ .

**THEOREM 0.6.** *If  $M^{2n}$  is a complete orientable hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  satisfying  $f_i^h k_i^t + k_i^h f_i^t = 0$  and  $K(\gamma) = \text{const.}$ , where  $f_i^h$  is the tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$  defining the  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure induced on  $M^{2n}$ ,  $\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$  being almost everywhere non-zero,  $k_{ji}$  the second fundamental tensor of the hypersurface and  $K(\gamma)$  the sectional curvature of  $M^{2n}$  with respect to the section  $\gamma$  spanned by  $u^h$  and  $v^h$ , then  $M^{2n}$  is isometric to a natural sphere  $S^{2n}(1)$  or to  $S^n(1/\sqrt{2}) \times S^n(1/\sqrt{2})$ .*

**THEOREM 0.7.** *Assume that a complete  $2n$ -dimensional differentiable manifold  $M^{2n}$  admits an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure such that  $\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero, and*

$$\nabla_j u_i - \nabla_i u_j = 2f_{ji}, \quad \nabla_i \lambda = -v_i$$

or

$$\nabla_j u_i - \nabla_i u_j = 2f_{ji}, \quad \nabla_i \lambda = -2v_i.$$

At a point at which  $\lambda \neq 0$ , we define a tensor field  $k_{ji}$  of type  $(0, 2)$  by

$$\nabla_j u_i + \nabla_i u_j = -2\lambda k_{ji}$$

and assume that  $u_i$  satisfies

$$\nabla_k \nabla_j u_i = -g_{kj} u_i + g_{ki} u_j - k_{kj} v_i + k_{ki} v_j + 2v_k k_{ji}.$$

Then  $M^{2n}$  is isometric to  $S^{2n}(1)$  if  $\nabla_i \lambda = -v_i$  and isometric to  $S^n(1/\sqrt{2}) \times S^n(1/\sqrt{2})$  if  $\nabla_i \lambda = -2v_i$ .

We note here that Theorems 0.3~0.6 state properties of  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structures induced on submanifolds of codimension 2 of a Euclidean space  $E^{2n+2}$  or on hypersurfaces of a sphere  $S^{2n+1}(1)$ , while Theorems 0.1, 0.2 and 0.7 state intrinsic properties of  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structures of manifolds themselves.

In the present paper we first of all show that for an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure induced on a hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  the conditions

$$(0.7) \quad f_i^h k_i^t + k_i^h f_i^t = 0$$

and

$$(0.8) \quad S_{ji}^h = 2v_j(\nabla_i v^h - \lambda \delta_i^h) - 2v_i(\nabla_j v^h - \lambda \delta_j^h)$$

are equivalent.

Since the commutativity of  $f$  and  $K$  and the condition  $S=0$  are equivalent for a hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  and an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure satisfying  $S=0$  is said to be normal, we say that an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure satisfying (0.7) or (0.8) is *antinormal*. (See [2], [3], [4], [5]).

We study in the present paper properties of  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structures which are antinormal in this sense.

### 1. A necessary and sufficient condition to be $fK + Kf = 0$ .

We prove in this section

**THEOREM 1.1.** *In an orientable hypersurface  $M$  with an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  (or of a Sasakian manifold) such that  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero, the conditions (0.7) and (0.8) are equivalent.*

*Proof.* We know that the  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure induced on an orientable hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  or of a Sasakian manifold satisfies (0.3)~(0.6).

We substitute these into

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} S_{ji}{}^h &= f_j{}^t \nabla_i f_t{}^h - f_i{}^t \nabla_t f_j{}^h - (\nabla_j f_v{}^t - \nabla_v f_j{}^t) f_t{}^h \\ &\quad + (\nabla_j u_i - \nabla_i u_j) u^h + (\nabla_j v_i - \nabla_i v_j) v^h \end{aligned}$$

and find

$$S_{jih} = -v_j(k_{it}f_n{}^t + k_{ht}f_v{}^t) + v_i(k_{jt}f_n{}^t + k_{ht}f_j{}^t)$$

or, using (0.5),

$$(1.2) \quad S_{jih} = v_j(\nabla_i v_h + \nabla_h v_i - 2\lambda g_{ih}) - v_i(\nabla_j v_h + \nabla_h v_j - 2\lambda g_{jh}),$$

where  $S_{jih} = S_{ji}{}^t g_{th}$ .

Suppose now that (0.7) is satisfied. Then we have

$$(1.3) \quad k_{jt}f_v{}^t - k_{it}f_j{}^t = 0$$

and consequently, we have, from (0.5),

$$\nabla_j v_i - \nabla_i v_j = 0.$$

Thus (1.2) gives (0.8).

Conversely suppose that (0.8) is satisfied. Then substituting (0.3)~(0.6) into (0.8), we find

$$(1.4) \quad v_j(k_{it}f_n{}^t - k_{ht}f_v{}^t) - v_i(k_{jt}f_n{}^t - k_{ht}f_j{}^t) = 0.$$

Transvecting  $v^j$  to (1.4), we find

$$(1-\lambda^2)(k_{it}f_n{}^t - k_{ht}f_v{}^t) = v_i \alpha_h,$$

where

$$\alpha_h = (k_{jt}f_n{}^t - k_{ht}f_j{}^t)v^j,$$

from which

$$v_i\alpha_n + v_n\alpha_i = 0$$

and consequently  $\alpha_i = 0$ . Thus we have

$$(1 - \lambda^2)(k_{ii}f_h^i - k_{hi}f_i^h) = 0,$$

from which

$$k_{ii}f_h^i - k_{hi}f_i^h = 0,$$

and we have (0.7). Thus the theorem is proved.

Combining Theorems 0.6 and 1.1, we have

**THEOREM 1.2.** *If  $M^{2n}$  is a complete orientable hypersurface of  $S^{2n+1}(1)$  with antinormal  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure and with  $K(\gamma) = \text{const.}$   $\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$  being almost everywhere non-zero, where  $K(\gamma)$  is the sectional curvature with respect to the section  $\gamma$  spanned by  $u^h$  and  $v^h$ , then  $M^{2n}$  is isometric to the unit sphere  $S^{2n}(1)$  or to  $S^n(1/\sqrt{2}) \times S^n(1/\sqrt{2})$ .*

## 2. Lemmas.

The present authors [6] proved following general formulas which an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure satisfies, that is,

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & S_{jih} - (f_j^i f_{ih} - f_i^t f_{tjh}) \\ &= -(f_j^i \nabla_h f_{ti} - f_i^t \nabla_h f_{tj}) + u_j(\nabla_i u_h) - u_i(\nabla_j u_h) + v_j(\nabla_i v_h) - v_i(\nabla_j v_h) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & \{S_{jih} - (f_j^i f_{ih} - f_i^t f_{tjh})\} u^j \\ &= (\nabla_i u_h + \nabla_h u_i) - u_i(\nabla_i u_h + \nabla_h u_i) u^i + \lambda f_i^t (\nabla_i v_h + \nabla_h v_i) \\ & \quad - \lambda^2 (\nabla_i u_h - \nabla_h u_i) - (\lambda f_i^t + v_i u^t) (\nabla_i v_h - \nabla_h v_i), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(2.3) \quad f_{jih} = \nabla_j f_{ih} + \nabla_i f_{hj} + \nabla_h f_{ji}.$$

We now prove a series of lemmas.

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Assume that a differentiable manifold admits an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure such that  $\lambda(1 - \lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero,*

$$(2.4) \quad \nabla_j u_i - \nabla_i u_j = 2f_{ji}$$

and

$$(2.5) \quad S_{ji}{}^h = 2v_j(\nabla_i v^h - \lambda \delta_i^h) - 2v_i(\nabla_j v^h - \lambda \delta_j^h).$$

At a point at which  $\lambda \neq 0$ , we define a tensor field  $k_{ji}$  of type  $(0, 2)$  by

$$(2.6) \quad \nabla_j u_i + \nabla_i u_j = -2\lambda k_{ji}.$$

Then we have

$$(2.7) \quad \nabla_j u_i = f_{ji} - \lambda k_{ji},$$

$$(2.8) \quad \nabla_j v_i = -k_{ji} f_i{}^t + \lambda g_{ji}$$

and

$$(2.9) \quad \nabla_j \lambda = k_{ji} u^i - v_j.$$

*Proof.* Equation (2.7) follows from (2.4) and (2.6). Transvecting  $u^s$  to (2.7) and using  $u_i u^i = 1 - \lambda^2$ , we find

$$-\lambda \nabla_j \lambda = \lambda v_j - \lambda k_{ji} u^i,$$

from which (2.9) follows.

Differentiating (2.4) covariantly, we find

$$\nabla_k \nabla_j u_i - \nabla_k \nabla_i u_j = 2\nabla_k f_{ji},$$

from which

$$(2.10) \quad f_{kji} = \nabla_k f_{ji} + \nabla_j f_{ik} + \nabla_i f_{kj} = 0.$$

Thus substituting (2.5), (2.7) and (2.10) into (2.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & -2v_i(\nabla_j v_h - \lambda g_{jh})u^j \\ &= -2\lambda k_{ih} + 2\lambda u_i k_{ih} u^t + \lambda f_i{}^t (\nabla_t v_h + \nabla_h v_t) \\ & -2\lambda^2 f_{ih} - \lambda f_i{}^t (\nabla_t v_h - \nabla_h v_t) - v_i (\nabla_t v_h - \nabla_h v_t) u^t, \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$\begin{aligned} & -2\lambda k_{ih} + 2\lambda u_i k_{ih} u^t + 2\lambda f_i{}^t \nabla_h v_t - 2\lambda^2 f_{ih} \\ & + v_i (u^t \nabla_t v_h) - v_i (\nabla_h u_t) v^t - 2\lambda v_i u_h = 0, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} & -2\lambda k_{ih} + 2\lambda u_i k_{ih} u^t + 2\lambda f_i{}^t \nabla_h v_t - 2\lambda^2 f_{ih} \\ & + v_i (u^t \nabla_t v_h) + \lambda v_i k_{ih} v^t - \lambda v_i u_h = 0, \end{aligned}$$

by virtue of (2.7).

Transvecting (2.11) with  $v^i$ , we find

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2\lambda k_{ih}v^t + 2\lambda^2 u^t \nabla_h v_t - 2\lambda^2 u_h \\
& + (1-\lambda^2)(u^t \nabla_i v_h) + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)k_{ih}v^t - \lambda(1-\lambda^2)u_h = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

from which, using  $u^t \nabla_h v_t = -v^t(\nabla_h u_t) = -v^t(f_{ht} - \lambda k_{ht}) = \lambda u_h + \lambda k_{ih}v^t$

$$(2.12) \quad u^t \nabla_i v_h = \lambda(u_h + k_{ih}v^t).$$

Substituting (2.12) into (2.11), we find

$$-2\lambda k_{ih} + 2\lambda u_i k_{ih} u^t + 2\lambda f_i^t \nabla_h v_t - 2\lambda^2 f_{ih} + 2\lambda v_i k_{ih} v^t = 0,$$

or

$$f_i^t \nabla_h v_t = k_{ih} + \lambda f_{ih} - u_i k_{ih} u^t - v_i k_{ih} v^t,$$

from which, transvecting with  $f_k^t$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& (-\delta_k^t + u_k u^t + v_k v^t) \nabla_h v_t \\
& = k_{ht} f_k^t + \lambda(-g_{kh} + u_k u_h + v_k v_h) - \lambda v_k k_{ih} u^t + \lambda u_k k_{ih} v^t,
\end{aligned}$$

or, using (2.7) and (2.9),

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\nabla_h v_k - u_k(f_{ht} - \lambda k_{ht})v^t - \lambda v_k(k_{ih}u^t - v_h) \\
& = k_{ht} f_k^t - \lambda g_{kh} + \lambda u_k u_h + \lambda v_k v_h - \lambda v_k k_{ih} u^t + \lambda u_k k_{ih} v^t,
\end{aligned}$$

from which,

$$\nabla_h v_k = -k_{ht} f_k^t + \lambda g_{hk}$$

which proves (2.8).

Substituting (2.8) into (2.12), we find

$$u^t(-k_{ts} f_h^s + \lambda g_{th}) = \lambda(u_h + k_{ih}v^t),$$

or

$$(2.13) \quad k_{ts} u^t f_h^s + \lambda k_{ih} v^t = 0,$$

from which, transvecting  $v^h$ ,

$$(2.14) \quad k_{ji} u^j u^i + k_{ji} v^j v^i = 0.$$

LEMMA 2.2. *Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 2.1, we have*

$$(2.15) \quad k_{jt} f_i^t - k_{it} f_j^t = 0$$

and

$$(2.16) \quad \nabla_k f_{ji} = -g_{kj} u_i + g_{ki} u_j - k_{kj} v_i + k_{ki} v_j.$$

*Proof.* Substituting (2.5) and (2.10) into (2.1), we find

$$(2.17) \quad \begin{aligned} & f_j^t \nabla_h f_{ti} - f_i^t \nabla_h f_{tj} \\ &= u_j (\nabla_i u_n) - u_i (\nabla_j u_n) - v_j (\nabla_i v_n - 2\lambda g_{ih}) + v_i (\nabla_j v_n - 2\lambda g_{jn}). \end{aligned}$$

We compute the first member of (2.17) as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & f_j^t \nabla_h f_{ti} - f_i^t \nabla_h f_{tj} \\ &= \nabla_h (f_j^t f_{ti}) + 2f_i^t \nabla_h f_{jt} \\ &= \nabla_h (-g_{jt} + u_j u_i + v_j v_i) + 2f_i^t \nabla_h f_{jt} \\ &= (\nabla_h u_j) u_i + u_j (\nabla_h u_i) + (\nabla_h v_j) v_i + v_j (\nabla_h v_i) + 2f_i^t \nabla_h f_{jt}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (2.17) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} 2f_i^t \nabla_h f_{jt} &= u_j (\nabla_i u_n - \nabla_h u_i) - u_i (\nabla_j u_n + \nabla_h u_j) \\ &\quad - v_j (\nabla_i v_n + \nabla_h v_i - 2\lambda g_{ih}) + v_i (\nabla_j v_n - \nabla_h v_j - 2\lambda g_{jn}). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (2.7) and (2.8) into this, we find

$$\begin{aligned} 2f_i^t \nabla_h f_{jt} &= 2u_j f_{in} + 2\lambda u_i k_{jn} - v_j (-k_{it} f_n^t - k_{ht} f_i^t) \\ &\quad + v_i (-k_{jt} f_n^t + k_{ht} f_j^t - 2\lambda g_{jn}), \end{aligned}$$

from which, transvecting  $f_k^t$ , we obtain

$$(2.18) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2(-\delta_k^t + u_k u^t + v_k v^t) \nabla_h f_{jt} \\ &= 2u_j (-g_{kn} + u_k u_n + v_k v_n) + 2\lambda^2 v_k k_{jn} \\ &\quad + v_j \{k_{is} f_k^t f_n^s + k_{ht} (-\delta_k^t + u_k u^t + v_k v^t)\} - \lambda u_k (k_{ht} f_j^t - k_{jt} f_n^t - 2\lambda g_{jn}). \end{aligned}$$

We compute the first member of (2.18) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(-\delta_k^t + u_k u^t + v_k v^t) \nabla_h f_{jt} \\ &= -2\nabla_h f_{jk} + 2u_k \{\nabla_h (f_{jt} u^t) - f_j^t (\nabla_h u_i)\} + 2v_k \{\nabla_h (f_{jt} v^t) - f_j^t (\nabla_h v_i)\} \\ &= -2\nabla_h f_{jk} + 2u_k \{(\nabla_h \lambda) v_j + \lambda (\nabla_h v_j) - f_j^t (\nabla_h u_i)\} - 2v_k \{(\nabla_h \lambda) u_j + \lambda (\nabla_h u_j) + f_j^t (\nabla_h v_i)\}, \end{aligned}$$

or, using (2.7), (2.8) and (2.9),

$$\begin{aligned} & 2(-\delta_k^t + u_k u^t + v_k v^t) \nabla_h f_{jt} \\ &= -2\nabla_h f_{jk} + 2u_k \{(k_{ht} u^t - v_n) v_j + \lambda (-k_{ht} f_j^t + \lambda g_{nj}) \\ &\quad - (g_{jn} - u_j u_n - v_j v_n - \lambda k_{ht} f_j^t)\} \\ &\quad - 2v_k \{(k_{ht} u^t - v_n) u_j + \lambda (f_{nj} - \lambda k_{nj}) \\ &\quad + (k_{nj} - k_{ht} u^t u_j - k_{ht} v^t v_j + \lambda f_{jn})\} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= -2\nabla_h f_{jk} + 2u_k v_j k_{hi} u^t - 2(1-\lambda^2)u_k g_{jn} + 2u_k u_j u_n \\
&\quad + 2v_k u_j v_n - 2(1-\lambda^2)v_k k_{nj} + 2v_k v_j k_{hi} v^t.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus (2.18) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
&-2\nabla_h f_{jk} + 2u_k v_j k_{hi} u^t - 2(1-\lambda^2)u_k g_{jn} + 2u_k u_j u_n \\
&\quad + 2v_k u_j v_n - 2(1-\lambda^2)v_k k_{nj} + 2v_k v_j k_{hi} v^t \\
&= 2u_j(-g_{kn} + u_k u_n + v_k v_n) + 2\lambda^2 v_k k_{jn} \\
&\quad + v_j\{k_{is} f_k^t f_n^s + k_{hi}(-\delta_k^i + u_k u^t + v_k v^t)\} \\
&\quad - \lambda u_k(k_{hi} f_j^t - k_{ji} f_h^t - 2\lambda g_{jn}),
\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.19) \quad 2\nabla_h f_{jk} &= 2u_j g_{kn} - 2u_k g_{jn} - 2v_k k_{nj} + v_j k_{hk} \\
&\quad + u_k v_j k_{hi} u^t + v_k v_j k_{hi} v^t \\
&\quad - v_j k_{is} f_k^t f_n^s + \lambda u_k(k_{hi} f_j^t - k_{ji} f_h^t).
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the skew-symmetric part of (2.19) with respect to  $h$  and  $k$  and using  $\nabla_h f_{jk} - \nabla_k f_{jh} = -\nabla_j f_{kh}$ , we find

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.20) \quad -2\nabla_j f_{kh} &= -2(u_k g_{jn} - u_n g_{jk}) - 2(v_k k_{nj} - v_n k_{kj}) + v_j(u_k k_{hi} u^t - u_n k_{kt} u^t \\
&\quad + v_k k_{hi} v^t - v_n k_{kt} v^t) + \lambda u_k(k_{hi} f_j^t - k_{ji} f_h^t) - \lambda u_n(k_{kt} f_j^t - k_{jt} f_k^t).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, transvecting  $u^j$  to (2.19) and taking account of (2.13), we find

$$(2.21) \quad u^t \nabla_j f_{th} = (1-\lambda^2)g_{jn} - u_j u_n - v_n k_{jt} u^t.$$

On the other hand, transvecting  $u^k$  to (2.20) and taking account of (2.13), we find

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.22) \quad -2u^t \nabla_j f_{th} &= -2(1-\lambda^2)g_{jn} + 2u_j u_n + 2v_n k_{jt} u^t \\
&\quad + v_j\{(1-\lambda^2)k_{hi} u^t - u_n k_{is} u^t u^s - v_n k_{is} u^t v^s\} \\
&\quad + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)(k_{hi} f_j^t - k_{ji} f_h^t).
\end{aligned}$$

Adding twice of (2.21) and (2.22), we find

$$(2.23) \quad v_j\{(1-\lambda^2)k_{hi} u^t - u_n k_{is} u^t u^s - v_n k_{is} u^t v^s\} + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)(k_{hi} f_j^t - k_{ji} f_h^t) = 0,$$

from which, taking the symmetric part,

$$\begin{aligned}
&v_j\{(1-\lambda^2)k_{hi} u^t - u_n k_{is} u^t u^s - v_n k_{is} u^t v^s\} \\
&\quad + v_n\{(1-\lambda^2)k_{jt} u^t - u_j k_{is} u^t u^s - v_j k_{is} u^t v^s\} = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

Transvecting this with  $v^j$ , we find

$$(2.24) \quad (1-\lambda^2)k_{hi}u^t = k_{is}u^t u^s u_h + k_{is}u^t v^s v_h.$$

Substituting (2.24) into (2.23), we find

$$(2.25) \quad k_{jt}f_h^t - k_{ht}f_j^t = 0,$$

which proves (2.15).

From (2.13), we have

$$(1-\lambda^2)k_{is}u^t f_n^s + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)k_{ih}v^t = 0.$$

Substituting (2.24) into this equation, we find

$$\lambda k_{is}u^t u^s v_h - \lambda k_{is}u^t v^s u_h + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)k_{ih}v^t = 0,$$

from which,

$$(2.26) \quad (1-\lambda^2)k_{jt}v^t = k_{is}u^t v^s u_j - k_{is}u^t u^s v_j.$$

Substituting (2.24), (2.25) and (2.26) into (2.20)  $\times (1-\lambda^2)$ , we find

$$2(1-\lambda^2)\nabla_j f_{kh} = 2(1-\lambda^2)(u_k g_{jh} - u_h g_{jk}) + 2(1-\lambda^2)(v_k k_{hj} - v_h k_{kj}),$$

which proves (2.16).

**LEMMA 2.3.** *Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 2.1, we have, at a point at which  $1-\lambda^2 \neq 0$ ,*

$$(2.27) \quad k_i^t = 0,$$

$$(2.28) \quad k_{ji}u^t = \beta v_j,$$

$$(2.29) \quad k_{ji}v^t = \beta u_j,$$

$$(2.30) \quad \nabla_j \lambda = (\beta - 1)v_j,$$

where

$$\beta = \frac{1}{1-\lambda^2} k_{is}u^t v^s.$$

*Proof.* Differentiating (2.9) covariantly and using (2.7) and (2.8), we find

$$\nabla_k \nabla_j \lambda = (\nabla_k k_{ji})u^i + k_j^t (f_{kt} - \lambda k_{kt}) + k_{kt} f_j^t - \lambda g_{kj},$$

from which,

$$(2.31) \quad (\nabla_k k_{ji} - \nabla_j k_{ki})u^i = 0.$$

From (2.24) and (2.26), we have

$$(2.32) \quad k_{ji}u^i = \alpha u_j + \beta v_j$$

and

$$(2.33) \quad k_{ji}v^i = \beta u_j - \alpha v_j$$

respectively, where

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{1-\lambda^2} k_{ts}u^t u^s.$$

Differentiating (2.32) covariantly and using (2.7) and (2.8), we find

$$\begin{aligned} & (\nabla_k k_{ji})u^i + k_{ji}(f_{kt} - \lambda k_{kt}) \\ &= (\nabla_k \alpha)u_j + \alpha(f_{kj} - \lambda k_{kj}) + (\nabla_k \beta)v_j + \beta(-k_{kt}f_j^t + \lambda g_{kj}), \end{aligned}$$

from which, taking the skew-symmetric part and using (2.31),

$$(2.34) \quad (\nabla_k \alpha)u_j - (\nabla_j \alpha)u_k + (\nabla_k \beta)v_j - (\nabla_j \beta)v_k + 2\alpha f_{kj} = 0.$$

Transvecting  $u^j$  to (2.34), we see that  $\nabla_k \alpha$  is written in the form

$$\nabla_k \alpha = a u_k + b v_k,$$

and transvecting  $v^j$  to (2.34), we see that  $\nabla_k \beta$  is written in the form

$$\nabla_k \beta = c u_k + d v_k.$$

Substituting these into (2.34), we have

$$(b-c)(v_k u_j - u_k v_j) + 2\alpha f_{kj} = 0,$$

from which, we have  $\alpha = 0$ . This proves (2.28) and (2.29).

Transvecting  $f_k^h$  to (2.25), we find

$$k_{ji}(-\delta_k^i + u_k u^i + v_k v^i) - k_{ts} f_j^t f_k^s = 0,$$

or using (2.28) and (2.29),

$$-k_{jk} + \beta(u_j v_k + u_k v_j) - k_{ts} f_j^t f_k^s = 0,$$

from which, transvecting  $g^{jk}$ ,

$$-k_i^i - k_{ts}(g^{ts} - u^t u^s - v^t v^s) = 0,$$

that is,  $k_i^i = 0$  and (2.27) is proved.

Finally, from (2.9) and (2.28), we have

$$\nabla_j \lambda = k_{ji}u^i - v_j = (\beta - 1)v_j$$

which proves (2.30).

### 3. Theorems on $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structures.

In this section we first prove

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Suppose that a complete differentiable manifold  $M$  admits an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure such that  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero,*

$$(3.1) \quad \nabla_j u_i - \nabla_i u_j = 2f_{ji}$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad S_{ji}{}^h = 2v_j(\nabla_i v^h - \lambda\delta_i^h) - 2v_i(\nabla_j v^h - \lambda\delta_j^h).$$

At a point at which  $\lambda \neq 0$ , we define a tensor field  $k_{ji}$  of type  $(0, 2)$  by

$$(3.3) \quad \nabla_j u_i + \nabla_i u_j = -2\lambda k_{ji}.$$

If  $u^h$  and  $k_{ji}$  satisfy

$$(3.4) \quad u^j \nabla_j u_i = 0$$

and

$$(3.5) \quad \nabla_k k_{ji} - \nabla_j k_{ki} = 0,$$

then the manifold is isometric to  $S^n(1/\sqrt{2}) \times S^n(1/\sqrt{2})$ .

*Proof.* Since the assumptions of Lemma 2.1 are satisfied, the conclusions of Lemmas 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 are all valid.

From (2.7), (2.28) and (3.4), we have

$$0 = u^j \nabla_j u_i = -\lambda v_i - \lambda \beta v_i = -\lambda(1 + \beta)v_i,$$

from which  $\beta = -1$ . Thus, (2.28), (2.29) and (2.30) become respectively

$$(3.6) \quad k_{ji} u^t = -v_j,$$

$$(3.7) \quad k_{ji} v^t = -u_j,$$

$$(3.8) \quad \nabla_j \lambda = -2v_j.$$

Differentiating (3.7) covariantly and substituting (2.7) and (2.8), we find

$$(\nabla_k k_j{}^t) v_t + k_j{}^t (-k_{ks} f_t{}^s + \lambda g_{kt}) = \lambda k_{kj} - f_{kj},$$

from which, taking the skew-symmetric part and using (3.5),

$$k_j{}^t k_k{}^s f_{ts} = f_{kj},$$

or, using (2.15),

$$(3.9) \quad k_j{}^t k_i{}^s f_{ks} = f_{kj}.$$

Transvecting (3.9) with  $f_i^k$ , we find

$$k_j^t k_i^s (-g_{is} + u_i u_s + v_i v_s) = -g_{ji} + u_j u_i + v_j v_i,$$

or, using (3.6) and (3.7),

$$(3.10) \quad k_j^t k_{ti} = g_{ji}.$$

Differentiating (3.10) covariantly, we have

$$(3.11) \quad (\nabla_k k_j^t) k_{ti} + k_j^t (\nabla_k k_{ti}) = 0.$$

Since  $\nabla_k k_{ji}$  is symmetric in all indices, (3.11) can be written as

$$(3.12) \quad k_j^t (\nabla_i k_{tk}) + k_i^t (\nabla_j k_{tk}) = 0,$$

which shows that  $k_j^t (\nabla_k k_{ti})$  is skew-symmetric in  $j$  and  $k$ .

Now, from (3.11), we have, taking the skew-symmetric part with respect to  $k$  and  $j$ ,

$$k_j^t (\nabla_k k_{ti}) - k_k^t (\nabla_j k_{ti}) = 0,$$

or

$$(3.13) \quad k_j^t (\nabla_k k_{ti}) = 0,$$

from which, using (3.10),

$$(3.14) \quad \nabla_k k_{ti} = 0.$$

On the other hand, differentiating (2.7) covariantly and using (2.15), (3.8) and (3.14), we obtain

$$(3.15) \quad \nabla_k \nabla_j u_i = -g_{kj} u_i + g_{ki} u_j - k_{kj} v_i + k_{ki} v_j + 2v_k k_{ji}.$$

Thus the theorem follows from Theorem 0.7.

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Assume that a complete differentiable manifold  $M$  admits an  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure such that  $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$  is almost everywhere non-zero, and (3.1), (3.2) hold. At a point at which  $\lambda \neq 0$ , we define  $k_{ji}$  by (3.3).*

*If the sectional curvature  $K(\gamma)$  with respect to the section  $\gamma$  spanned by  $u^h$  and  $v^h$  is constant and*

$$(3.16) \quad \nabla_k k_{ji} - \nabla_j k_{ki} = 0,$$

*then the manifold is isometric to a sphere  $S^{2n}(1)$  or to  $S^n(1/\sqrt{2}) \times S^n(1/\sqrt{2})$ .*

*Proof.* In this case also, the conclusions of Lemmas 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 are all valid.

Differentiating (2.7) covariantly and using (2.9), (2.15) and (2.28), we find

$$(3.17) \quad \nabla_k \nabla_j u_i = -g_{kj} u_i + g_{ki} u_j - k_{kj} v_i + k_{ki} v_j + (1-\beta) v_k k_{ji} - \lambda \nabla_k k_{ji},$$

from which, using the Ricci identity,

$$-K_{kji}{}^h u_h = g_{ki} u_j - g_{ji} u_k + k_{ki} v_j - k_{ji} v_k + (1-\beta)(v_k k_{ji} - v_j k_{ki}),$$

$K_{kji}{}^h$  being the curvature tensor and consequently

$$(3.18) \quad K(\gamma) = -\frac{K_{kji}{}^h v^k u^j v^i u^h}{(1-\lambda^2)^2} = 1 - \beta^2.$$

Since we have assumed that  $K(\gamma)$  is constant,  $\beta$  must be also constant. From (2.29), we have

$$k_j{}^t v_t = \beta u_j.$$

Differentiating this covariantly and using (2.7) and (2.8), we find

$$(\nabla_k k_j{}^t) v_t + k_j{}^t (-k_{ks} f_t{}^s + \lambda g_{ki}) = \beta (f_{kj} - \lambda k_{kj}),$$

from which, taking the skew-symmetric part and using (3.16),

$$k_j{}^t k_{ks} f_t{}^s = -\beta f_{kj},$$

or, using (2.16),

$$(3.19) \quad k_j{}^t k_t{}^s f_{ks} = -\beta f_{kj}.$$

Transvecting  $u^r$  to (3.19) and using (2.28) and (2.29), we find

$$\lambda \beta^2 v_k = -\lambda \beta v_k,$$

from which, using  $\beta = \text{const}$ .

$$(3.20) \quad \beta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \beta = -1.$$

Transvecting  $f_i{}^k$  to (3.19), we find

$$k_j{}^t k_t{}^s (-g_{is} + u_i u_s + v_i v_s) = -\beta (-g_{ji} + u_j u_i + v_j v_i),$$

or, using (2.28) and (2.29)

$$-k_j{}^t k_{ti} + \beta^2 (u_j u_i + v_j v_i) = \beta (g_{ji} - u_j u_i - v_j v_i),$$

that is,

$$(3.21) \quad k_j{}^t k_{ti} = -\beta g_{ji} + \beta(\beta+1)(u_j u_i + v_j v_i).$$

Thus, if  $\beta=0$ , then  $k_{ji}=0$  and in this case we have, from (2.30),

$$(3.22) \quad \nabla_j \lambda = -v_i$$

and (3.17) becomes

$$(3.23) \quad \nabla_k \nabla_j u_i = -g_{kj} u_i + g_{ki} u_j.$$

If  $\beta = -1$ , then

$$(3.24) \quad k_j^i k_{ii} = g_{ji},$$

and in this case we have, from (2.30)

$$(3.25) \quad \nabla_j \lambda = -2v_j.$$

In the proof of Theorem 3.1, we found that (3.16) and (3.24) imply  $\nabla_k k_{ji} = 0$ . Thus (3.17) gives

$$(3.26) \quad \nabla_k \nabla_j u_i = -g_{kj} u_i + g_{ki} u_j - k_{kj} v_i + k_{ki} v_j + 2v_k k_{ji}.$$

Equations (3.22), (3.23), (3.25), (3.26) and Theorem 0.7 prove the theorem.

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