

## A HYPERSURFACE OF THE IRREDUCIBLE HERMITIAN SYMMETRIC SPACE OF TYPE EIII

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### Introduction

Let  $M$  be the compact irreducible Hermitian symmetric space of type  $EIII$ . Then  $M$  can be imbedded holomorphically and isometrically into the 26 dimensional complex projective space  $P_{26}(\mathbf{C})$  (Nakagawa and Takagi [5]). In this note we prove the following theorem.

**Theorem.** *There exists a hyperplane  $W$  of  $P_{26}(\mathbf{C})$  such that  $M \cap W$  is a hypersurface of  $M$  and a Kähler  $C$ -space. Further  $M \cap W = G/U$ , where  $G$  is the simply connected complex simple Lie group of type  $F_4$  and  $U$  is a parabolic Lie subgroup of  $G$ .*

It has been proved that there is no non-zero holomorphic vector field on the hypersurfaces of  $M$  with degree  $> 1$  (Kimura [3]). The theorem shows that the above result does not hold for a hypersurface of  $M$  with degree 1.

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### 1. The exceptional Lie algebras of type $F_4$ and $E_6$

First we shall recall Chevalley-Schafer's models of the complex simple Lie algebras of type  $F_4$  and  $E_6$ . Denote by  $Q$  the quaternion algebra over  $\mathbf{C}$  with the usual base  $\{1, i, j, k\}$  subject to the multiplication rules:

$$i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1, ij = k = -ji, jk = i = -kj, ki = j = -ik.$$

Then the Cayley algebra  $\mathfrak{C}$  over  $\mathbf{C}$  can be defined as  $\mathfrak{C} = Q + Q \cdot e$  (direct sum) with the following multiplication rule:

$$(a+be)(c+de) = (ac - \bar{d}b) + (da + b\bar{c})e$$

for  $a, b, c, d \in Q$ . Here  $a \rightarrow \bar{a}$  is the usual involution in  $Q$ .

We define a 27 dimensional Jordan algebra  $\mathfrak{J}$  by

$$\mathfrak{F} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 & c & \bar{d} \\ \bar{c} & \xi_2 & a \\ b & \bar{a} & \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} ; \xi_i \in \mathbf{C} (i = 1, 2, 3), a, b, c \in \mathfrak{C} \right\}$$

with the Jordan product  $x \cdot y = \frac{1}{2}(xy + yx)$  for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{F}$ . Here  $xy$  means the usual matrix-product under the multiplication rule in  $\mathfrak{C}$ . Define elements  $e_1, e_2$  and  $e_3$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$  by

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $a \in \mathfrak{C}$ , we define elements  $a_1, a_2$  and  $a_3$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$  by

$$a_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & \bar{a} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then we see the following identities.

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} e_i \cdot e_i = e_i, & i = 1, 2, 3, \\ e_i \cdot e_j = 0, & i \neq j, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3, \\ e_i \cdot a_i = 0, & a \in \mathfrak{C}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\ e_i \cdot a_j = \frac{1}{2}a_j, & a \in \mathfrak{C}, \quad i \neq j, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3, \\ a_i \cdot b_j = (a, b)(e_j + e_k), & a, b \in \mathfrak{C}, \quad \{i, j, k\} \text{ a permutation of } \{1, 2, 3\}, \\ a_i \cdot b_j = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{b}a)_k, & a, b \in \mathfrak{C} \{i, j, k\} \text{ a cyclic permutation of } \{1, 2, 3\}, \end{cases}$$

where  $(a, b)$  is the symmetric form on  $\mathfrak{C}$  defined by

$$a\bar{b} + b\bar{a} = 2(a, b)1.$$

Put  $\mathfrak{F}_i = \{a_i; a \in \mathfrak{C}\}, i = 1, 2, 3$ . Then

$$\mathfrak{F} = \mathbf{C}e_1 + \mathbf{C}e_2 + \mathbf{C}e_3 + \mathfrak{F}_1 + \mathfrak{F}_2 + \mathfrak{F}_3 \text{ (direct sum).}$$

Hence every element  $x$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$  can be written as

$$x = \xi_1 e_1 + \xi_2 e_2 + \xi_3 e_3 + a_1 + b_2 + c_3, \quad \xi_i \in \mathbf{C}, \quad a, b, c \in \mathfrak{C}.$$

We define the trace  $T(x)$  of this element  $x$  by

$$T(x) = \xi_1 + \xi_2 + \xi_3.$$

Also let  $R_x$  be the right multiplication by  $x$ ;

$$R_x(y) = y \cdot x .$$

We need in the later discussion the subalgebra  $\mathfrak{F}_0$  of 26 dimensions:

$$\mathfrak{F}_0 = \{x \in \mathfrak{F}; T(x) = 0\} .$$

A derivation of  $\mathfrak{F}$  is a linear endomorphism  $D$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$  satisfying

$$(2) \quad D(x \cdot y) = (Dx) \cdot y + x \cdot (Dy) .$$

The condition (2) for a derivation  $D$  may be written as

$$(3) \quad [D, R_x] = R_{Dx} \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathfrak{F} .$$

Denote by  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F})$  the Lie algebra of all derivations of  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Then the following theorem is known.

**Theorem** (Chevalley and Schafer [1]).  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F})$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F}) + R_0(\mathfrak{F})$ ) is the complex simple Lie algebra of type  $F_4$  (resp.  $E_6$ ), where  $R_0(\mathfrak{F}) = \{R_x; x \in \mathfrak{F}_0\}$ .

Let us denote  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F}) + R_0(\mathfrak{F})$  by  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  for simplicity. It is known that  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  acts irreducibly on  $\mathfrak{F}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}$  is decomposed into two irreducible components as  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F})$ -module:

$$(4) \quad \mathfrak{F} = \mathcal{C}1 + \mathfrak{F}_0 \text{ (direct sum)}$$

(Schafter [6]).

Let

$$\mathfrak{D}_0 = \{\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F}); De_1 = De_2 = De_3 = 0\} ,$$

and

$$\mathfrak{D}_i = \{[R_{a_i}, R_{e_j - e_k}]; a_i \in \mathfrak{F}_i\} ,$$

where  $\{i, j, k\}$  is a permutation of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .

Then

$$\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F}) = \mathfrak{D}_0 + \mathfrak{D}_1 + \mathfrak{D}_2 + \mathfrak{D}_3 \text{ (direct sum)}$$

(Schafer [6]).

It is known that  $\mathfrak{D}_0$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{o}(8, \mathcal{C})$ , the Lie algebra of 8 dimensional complex orthogonal group, as Lie algebra (Schafer [6]).

**Proposition 1** (Jacobson [2]).  $\mathfrak{D}_0 \mathfrak{F}_i \subset \mathfrak{F}_i, i=1, 2, 3$ , and the representations  $\mathfrak{D}_0$  on  $\mathfrak{F}_1, \mathfrak{F}_2$  and  $\mathfrak{F}_3$  are respectively equivalent to the natural representation on  $\mathcal{C}^8$ , the even half-spin representation and the odd half-spin representation of  $\mathfrak{o}(8, \mathcal{C})$ .

**Proposition 2.** For each  $i=1, 2, 3$ ,  $\mathfrak{D}_i$  and  $\mathfrak{S}_i$  are isomorphic  $\mathfrak{D}_0$ -modules.

Proof. Let  $D \in \mathfrak{D}_0$ . Since  $D$  satisfies the condition (3),

$$\begin{aligned} [D, [R_{a_i}, R_{e_j-e_k}]] &= [[D, R_{a_i}], R_{e_j-e_k}] + [R_{a_i}, [D, R_{e_j-e_k}]] \\ &= [R_{Da_i}, R_{e_j-e_k}] + [R_{a_i}, R_{De_j-De_k}] = [R_{Da_i}, R_{e_j-e_k}], \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{i, j, k\}$  is a permutation of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . q.e.d.

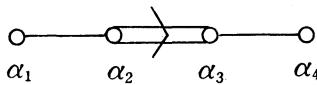
We take a Cartan subalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}'$  of  $\mathfrak{D}_0$  and a basis  $\{H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4\}$  of  $\mathfrak{h}'$ . Define linear forms  $\lambda_i, i=1, 2, 3, 4$ , by

$$\lambda_i: \sum_{j=1}^4 \lambda_j H_j \rightarrow \lambda_i.$$

We may assume that  $\pm \lambda_i \pm \lambda_j, i < j$ , are roots of  $\mathfrak{D}_0$ . By Propositions 1 and 2,  $\mathfrak{h}'$  is a Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{S})$  and its roots are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &\pm \lambda_i \pm \lambda_j, \quad i < j, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, \\ &\pm \lambda_i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4, \\ &\pm \Lambda'_i, \quad \text{where } \Lambda'_i = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4) - \lambda_i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4, \\ &\pm \Lambda_i^*, \quad \text{where } \Lambda_1^* = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4), \\ &\Lambda_2^* = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 - \lambda_4), \quad \Lambda_3^* = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_4), \\ &\Lambda_4^* = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 + \lambda_4). \end{aligned}$$

Put  $\alpha_1 = \lambda_2 - \lambda_3, \alpha_2 = \lambda_3 - \lambda_4, \alpha_3 = \lambda_4, \alpha_4 = -\Lambda'_1$ . Then  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4\}$  is a fundamental root system and its Dynkin diagram is:



Let  $\{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4\}$  be the fundamental weights with respect to  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4\}$ . Then  $\omega_4 = \lambda_1$ .

Now we give a Cartan subalgebra and roots of  $\mathfrak{G}_6$ . Set  $H_5 = R_{e_1}, H_6 = R_{e_2}, H_7 = R_{e_3}$ . Then (3) and the following lemma imply that  $\mathfrak{h} = \{ \sum_{i=1}^7 \lambda_i H_i; \lambda_i \in C, \lambda_5 + \lambda_6 + \lambda_7 = 0 \}$  is a commutative subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{G}_6$ .

**Lemma 1.**  $[R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}] = 0$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$ .

Proof. Obviously we may assume that  $i$  is not  $j$ . We have the following identities from (1).

$$\begin{aligned} [R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}]e_k &= (e_k \cdot e_j) \cdot e_i - (e_k \cdot e_i) \cdot e_j = 0, \quad k \neq i, j. \\ [R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}]e_i &= (e_i \cdot e_j) \cdot e_i - (e_i \cdot e_i) \cdot e_j = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Rimilarly we get  $[R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}]e_j=0$ . On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} [R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}]a_k &= (a_k \cdot e_j) \cdot e_i - (a_k \cdot e_i) \cdot e_j \\ &= \frac{1}{2}a_k \cdot e_i - \frac{1}{2}a_k \cdot e_j = \frac{1}{4}a_k - \frac{1}{4}a_k = 0, \quad a \in \mathbb{C}, k \neq i, j. \\ [R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}]a_i &= (a_i \cdot e_j) \cdot e_i - (a_i \cdot e_i) \cdot e_j = \frac{1}{2}a_i \cdot e_i = 0, \quad a \in \mathbb{C}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we get  $[R_{e_i}, R_{e_j}]a_j=0$ . q.e.d.

We now claim that  $ad \mathfrak{h}$  acts diagonally on  $\mathbb{G}_6$ , which will prove that  $\mathfrak{h}$  is a Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathbb{G}_6$ . We shall also determine the root system of  $\mathbb{G}_6$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{h}$ . We define linear forms  $\tilde{\lambda}_i, 1 \leq i \leq 7$ , on  $\mathfrak{h}$  by

$$\tilde{\lambda}_i: \sum_{i=1}^7 \lambda_j H_i \rightarrow \lambda_i.$$

The definition of  $\mathfrak{h}$  implies  $\tilde{\lambda}_5 + \tilde{\lambda}_6 + \tilde{\lambda}_7 = 0$ . Since  $\tilde{\lambda}_i, i=1, 2, 3, 4$ , are trivial extensions on  $\mathfrak{h}$  of  $\lambda_i$ , we denote  $\tilde{\lambda}_i$  by  $\lambda_i, 1 \leq i \leq 7$ , for simplicity. And we regard  $\Lambda_i^1$  and  $\Lambda_i^*, 1 \leq i \leq 4$ , as linear forms on  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

We first note that the root vectors of  $\mathfrak{D}_0$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{h}'$  are root vectors for  $\mathbb{G}_6$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{h}$ , since such a root vector is a derivation  $D$  mapping  $e_i$  into 0, and so  $[R_{e_i}, D]=0, i=1, 2, 3$ . In this way we obtained the roots  $\pm \lambda_i, \pm \lambda_j, 1 \leq i < j \leq 4$ , for  $\mathbb{G}_6$ . Next let

$$\mathfrak{r}_{ij} = \{S_{ij} = R_{a_k} + 2[R_{a_k}, R_{e_i}]; a \in \mathbb{C}\},$$

where  $\{i, j, k\}$  is a permutation of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . Then we have

$$\mathbb{G}_6 = \left\{ \sum_{i=5}^7 \lambda_i H_i; \lambda_5 + \lambda_6 + \lambda_7 = 0 \right\} + \mathfrak{D}_0 + \sum_{i \neq j} \mathfrak{r}_{ij} \quad (\text{direct sum})$$

by the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.**  $[R_{a_i}, R_{e_i}] = 0$  and  $[R_{a_i}, R_{e_j}] = -[R_{a_i}, R_{e_k}]$  for  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $\{i, j, k\}$  a permutation of  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .

Proof. By (1) we have the following identities.

$$\begin{aligned} [R_{a_i}, R_{e_i}]e_i &= (e_i \cdot e_i) \cdot a_i - (e_i \cdot a_i) \cdot e_i = e_i \cdot a_i = 0, \\ [R_{a_i}, R_{e_i}]e_j &= (e_j \cdot e_i) \cdot a_i - (e_j \cdot a_i) \cdot e_i = -\frac{1}{2}a_i \cdot e_i = 0, \\ [R_{a_i}, R_{e_i}]b_i &= (b_i \cdot e_i) \cdot a_i - (b_i \cdot a_i) \cdot e_i = -(b, a)(e_j + e_k) \cdot e_i = 0, \quad b \in \mathbb{C}, \\ [R_{a_i}, R_{e_i}]b_j &= (b_j \cdot e_i) \cdot a_i - (b_j \cdot a_i) \cdot e_i = \frac{1}{2}b_j \cdot a_i - \frac{1}{2}b_j \cdot a_i = 0, \quad b \in \mathbb{C}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $[R_{a_i}, R_{e_i}] = 0$ . Since  $R_{e_i} + R_{e_2} + R_{e_3} = 1\mathfrak{I}$ , we have  $[R_{a_i}, R_{e_j}] + [R_{a_i}, R_{e_k}] = 0$ . q.e.d.

**Lemma 3.**  $[H, S_{a_{ij}}] = -\frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{i+4} - \lambda_{j+4})S_{a_{ij}}$  for  $H = \sum_{k=5}^7 \lambda_k H_k$ .

Proof. Since  $\mathfrak{I}$  is a Jordan algebra, we have



**2. Proof of the theorem**

By (1) and Proposition 1, we have the following propositions.

**Proposition 3.** *The weights of the irreducible representation of  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  on  $\mathfrak{F}$  are the followings:*

$$\lambda_5, \lambda_6, \lambda_7, \pm\lambda_i + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_6 + \lambda_7), \pm\Lambda'_i + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_5 + \lambda_7), \pm\Lambda_i^* + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_5 + \lambda_6),$$

where  $i=1, 2, 3, 4$ . Further the highest weight among these is  $\tilde{\omega}_1 = \lambda_1 + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_6 + \lambda_7)$ .

**Proposition 4.** *The weights of the irreducible representation of  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F})$  on  $\mathfrak{F}_0$  are the followings:*

$$0, \pm\lambda_i, \pm\Lambda'_i, \pm\Lambda_i^*, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

Further the highest weight among these is  $\omega_4 = \lambda_1$ .

Let  $v \in \mathfrak{F}_1$  be an eigen vector belonging to the highest weight  $\omega_4$  of the representation of  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F})$  on  $\mathfrak{F}_0$ . By Propositions 3 and 4,  $v$  is also a highest weight vector of the representation of  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  on  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Therefore  $v$  is a common highest weight vector of the above two representations.

Let  $E_6$  be a simply connected complex Lie group with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  and let  $F_4$  be a connected Lie subgroup of  $E_6$  with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{F})$ . Then there exists the irreducible representation  $(f_{\omega_1}, \mathfrak{F})$  of  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  in  $\mathfrak{F}$  which induces the representation of  $\mathfrak{E}_6$  on  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Denote by  $P(\mathfrak{F})$  the complex projective space consisting of all 1-dimensional subspaces of  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Then  $E_6$  acts canonically on  $P(\mathfrak{F})$  via the representation  $(f_{\omega_1}, \mathfrak{F})$ . The weight space  $Cv$  in  $\mathfrak{F}$  for the highest weight  $\tilde{\omega}_1$  being of dimension 1, it is an element of  $P(\mathfrak{F})$ . It is known that the isotropy subgroup  $U$  of  $E_6$  at  $Cv$  is a parabolic subgroup of  $E_6$  and the quotient manifold  $E_6/U$  is fully imbedded in  $P(\mathfrak{F})$  as the orbit of  $Cv$  (Nakagawa and Takagi [5]). And  $E_6/U$  is compact irreducible Hermitian symmetric space of type *EIII*.

The restriction to  $F_4$  of  $f_{\omega_1}$  leaves  $\mathfrak{F}_0$  invariant. By Proposition 4, the representation of  $F_4$  on  $\mathfrak{F}_0$  induced by  $f_{\omega_1}$  is irreducible (with highest weight  $\omega_4$ ). Let  $P(\mathfrak{F}_0)$  be the complex projective space consisting of all 1-dimensional subspaces of  $\mathfrak{F}_0$ . Then  $F_4$  acts canonically on  $P(\mathfrak{F}_0)$ . Similarly as for the above case, the isotropy subgroup  $U'$  of  $F_4$  at  $Cv \in P(\mathfrak{F}_0)$  is a parabolic subgroup of  $F_4$  and the quotient manifold  $F_4/U'$  is a Kähler  $C$ -space imbedded in  $P(\mathfrak{F}_0)$  as the orbit of  $Cv$ . Therefore  $F_4/U'$  is contained in  $E_6/U \cap P(\mathfrak{F}_0)$ . It is known that  $\dim E_6/U = 16$  and  $\dim F_4/U' = 15$  (Nakagawa and Takagi [5]). Since  $E_6/U$  is fully imbedded in  $P(\mathfrak{F})$ ,  $E_6/U$  is not contained in  $P(\mathfrak{F}_0)$ , namely,  $E_6/U \cap P(\mathfrak{F}_0) \neq E_6/U$ . Since  $E_6/U$  is connected, it follows that  $\dim E_6/U \cap P(\mathfrak{F}_0) = 15 = \dim F_4/U'$ . The fact that  $E_6/U$  is connected implies easily that  $E_6/U \cap$

$P(\mathfrak{S}_0)$  is connected (Milnor [4]). Therefore  $F_4/U' = E_6/U \cap P(\mathfrak{S}_0)$ . Thus we have proved our theorem.

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