### SOME NOTES ON ALMOST HERMITIAN MANIFOLDS

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#### Introduction.

Several years ago Ishihara [1], [2] introduced the concept of the half-symmetric  $\varphi$ -connection and semi-symmetric  $\varphi$ -connection in an almost complex manifold.

In the present paper, we study about a half-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection and a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection in an almost Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  and obtain some interesting results. In §1, we get a necessary and sufficient condition that an almost Hermitian manifold may admit a half-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection or a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection. In §2, we determine the semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection that an Hermitian manifold may admit.

## §1. Half-symmetric metric $\varphi$ -connection and semi-symmetric metric $\varphi$ -connection on an almost Hermitian manifold.

Let  $M^{2n}$  be an almost Hermitian manifold having an almost Hermitian structure  $(g_{ij}(x), \varphi_j^{\prime}(x))$ . That is,

(1.1) 
$$\begin{cases} (i) \quad \varphi^{i}{}_{a}\varphi^{a}{}_{j} = -\delta^{i}_{j}, \\ (i) \quad g_{ab}\varphi^{a}{}_{i}\varphi^{b}{}_{j} = g_{ij}. \end{cases}$$

As is well known, the Nijenhuis tensor  $N_{jk}^i(x)$  of an almost complex structure  $\varphi_{jk}^i(x)$  is given by

(1.2) 
$$N^{i}_{jk} = (\varphi^{i}_{a,j} - \varphi^{i}_{j,a})\varphi^{a}_{\cdot k} - (\varphi^{i}_{a,k} - \varphi^{i}_{\cdot k,a})\varphi^{a}_{\cdot j}.$$

In the case of  $N_{ijk}^i(x)=0$ , the almost complex structure is integrable and consequently the  $M^{2n}$  becomes an Hermitian manifold.

In an almost Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$ , we consider a metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jk}^{i}(x)$ :

(1.3) 
$$g_{jk/h} = g_{jk,h} - g_{ak} E^{a}_{jh} - g_{ja} E^{a}_{kh} = 0,$$

(1.4) 
$$\varphi^{i}_{jk} = \varphi^{i}_{j,k} + \varphi^{a}_{j} E^{i}_{a,k} - \varphi^{i}_{a} E^{a}_{jk} = 0.$$

As is easily seen from (1.3), such a  $E_{jk}^{i}(x)$  is given by

(1.5) 
$$E_{jk}^{i} = \{ {}_{jk}^{i} \} + S_{jk}^{i} + S_{jk}^{ii} + S_{kj}^{ii},$$

where,  $\{_{jk}^i\}$  is the Christoffel symbol formed by  $g_{ij}(x)$  and  $S_{jk}^i$  is the torsion tensor of  $E_{jk}^i$ :

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(1.6) 
$$S_{jk}^{i} = \frac{1}{2} (E_{jk}^{i} - E_{kj}^{i}), \quad S_{jk}^{ii} = g_{ja} S_{kb}^{a} g^{bi}.$$

On the other hand,  $\varphi_{ij} = g_{ia} \varphi_{j}^{a}$  is, as is seen from (1.1), skew-symmetric with respect to *i* and *j*. Consequently,

(1.7) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \varphi_{ij,k} + \varphi_{jk,i} + \varphi_{ki,j}$$

is skew-symmetric in all the indices. Taking notice of (1.3), we have easily from (1.4)

(1.8) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = -2(S_{ajk}\varphi^a_{\cdot i} + S_{aki}\varphi^a_{\cdot j} + S_{aij}\varphi^a_{\cdot k}).$$

And we see that  $N_{jk}^{i}=0$  is equivalent to

(1.9) 
$$S_{ijk} = S_{ibc} \varphi^b_{.j} \varphi^c_{.k} + S_{ajc} \varphi^a_{.i} \varphi^c_{.k} + S_{abk} \varphi^a_{.i} \varphi^b_{.j}$$

N.B. In [5], Yano and Mogi conclude that  $N_{ijk}^{i}=0$  is equivalent to

(1. 10) 
$$S_{ijk} = S_{ibc} \varphi^{b}_{.j} \varphi^{c}_{.k} + S_{jca} \varphi^{c}_{.k} \varphi^{a}_{.i} + S_{kab} \varphi^{a}_{.i} \varphi^{b}_{.j},$$

but in general this conclusion does not hold. The necessary and sufficient condition that (1.9), (1.10) may be equivalent is that  $S_{ijk}$  is skew-symmetric in all the indices. In the case that this condition is satisfied, comparing (1.8) with (1.10), we have<sup>1)</sup>

(1.9)' 
$$S_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2} \varphi_{abc} \varphi^a_{\cdot i} \varphi^b_{\cdot j} \varphi^c_{\cdot k}.$$

As is well known, we define the following operators  $\Phi_{\alpha}$  ( $\alpha = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ):

$$\begin{split} \varPhi_{1}T^{h}{}_{i} &= O^{hb}_{ai}T^{a}{}_{b} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial^{h}_{a}\partial^{b}_{i} - \varphi^{h}{}_{a}\varphi^{h}{}_{\cdot})T^{a}{}_{b}, \\ \varPhi_{2}T^{h}{}_{i} &= *O^{hb}_{ai}T^{a}{}_{b} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial^{h}_{a}\partial^{b}_{i} + \varphi^{h}{}_{a}\varphi^{h}{}_{\cdot})T^{a}{}_{b}, \\ \varPhi_{3}T_{ji} &= O^{ba}_{ji}T_{ba} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial^{b}_{j}\partial^{a}_{i} - \varphi^{h}{}_{j}\varphi^{h}{}_{\cdot})T_{ba}, \\ \varPhi_{4}T_{ji} &= *O^{ba}_{ji}T_{ba} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial^{b}_{j}\partial^{a}_{i} + \varphi^{h}{}_{j}\varphi^{h}{}_{\cdot})T_{ba}. \end{split}$$

Now, we assume that the metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jh}^{i}$  is half-symmetric in the sense of [1], [2]. That is,

(1. 11) 
$$\varPhi_1 \varPhi_3 S^h_{jk} = O^{hb}_{aj} O^{cd}_{bk} S^a_{\cdot cd} = 0.$$

As is easily seen, this can be rewritten as follows:

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<sup>1)</sup> Compare Theorem 3.2 in [5].

(1. 12) 
$$S_{ijk} - S_{ibc} \varphi^{b}_{,j} \varphi^{c}_{,k} + S_{ajc} \varphi^{c}_{,k} \varphi^{a}_{,i} + S_{abk} \varphi^{a}_{,i} \varphi^{b}_{,j} = 0.$$

Hence from (1.9) and (1.12), in an Hermitian manifold, as a necessary and sufficient condition that a metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jk}^i$  may be half-symmetric, we obtain

$$(1. 13) S_{ijk} = S_{ibc} \varphi^b_{.j} \varphi^c_{.k}$$

This can be rewritten as follows:

$$(1. 13') \qquad \qquad S_{ijc}\varphi^c_{k} = S_{ikb}\varphi^b_{j}.$$

Since this shows that  $S_{ijc}\varphi_{k}^{c}$  is symmetric with respect to j and k, we have the following

PROPOSITION 1.1. In an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$ , a necessary and sufficient condition that a metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E^i_{jk}(x)$  may be half-symmetric is that  $S_{ijc}\varphi^{e}_{k}$  is symmetric with respect to j and k.

Next we assume that in an almost Hermitian manifold, a metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jk}^{i}(x)$  is semi-symmetric in the sense of [1], [2].<sup>2)</sup> That is

(1.14) 
$$S_{jk}^{h} = \frac{2}{n} \varPhi_4(S_{[j} \partial_{k]}^{h}) = \frac{2}{n} * O_{jk}^{bc}(S_{[j} \partial_{c]}^{h}), \ S_j = S_{ja}^{a}$$

As is easily seen, this can be rewritten as

(1.15) 
$$S_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2n} (S_j g_{ik} - S_k g_{ij} + \varphi_{ik} \varphi_j^b S_b - \varphi_{ij} \varphi_{,k}^c S_c).$$

In this case we see that (1.9) holds identically. That is, the following Proposition is obtained:

PROPOSITION 1.2. When an almost Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  admits a semisymmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection, the  $M^{2n}$  is an Hermitian manifold.

N.B. As is directly seen from (1.15)

$$S_{ijc}\varphi_{\cdot k}^{c} = \frac{1}{2n} \left(\varphi_{ik}S_{j} + \varphi_{ij}S_{k} - g_{ij}\varphi_{\cdot k}^{c}S_{s} - g_{ik}\varphi_{\cdot j}^{b}S_{b}\right)$$

holds. Since this is obviously symmetric with respect to j and k, from Proposition 1.1 we see that the semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection is half-symmetric. This is known from the general theory in [1].

Now we suppose that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  admits a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection. Substituting (1.15) into (1.8), we have

(1.16) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = -\frac{2}{n} (\varphi_{jk}S_i + \varphi_{ki}S_j + \varphi_{ij}S_k).$$

Contracting on both sides of this with  $\varphi^{jk}$ , we obtain

<sup>2)</sup> The definition of semi-symmetric connection in [1], [2] is different from the definition in [5].

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(1.17) 
$$\varphi_{ibc}\varphi^{bc} = -\frac{4(n-1)}{n}S_i,$$

and for  $n \neq 1$ , eliminating  $S_i$  from (1.16) and (1.17), we get

(1.18) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (\varphi_{jk}\varphi_{ibc} + \varphi_{ki}\varphi_{jbc} + \varphi_{ij}\varphi_{kbc})\varphi^{bc}.$$

Summing up the result, we see that in order that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$   $(n \neq 1)$  may admit a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection, it is necessary that (1.18) holds.

Conversely, we assume that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$   $(n \neq 1)$  satisfies (1.18). We consider to determine  $S_{ijk}$  from (1.8) and (1.18). Now if we contract on both sides of (1.8) with  $\varphi^{jk}$  and put as

$$S_i = -\frac{n}{4(n-1)} \varphi_{ibc} \varphi^{bc},$$

then

(1.19) 
$$2(n-1)S_i = n(S_{abc}\varphi^a_{\cdot}\varphi^{bc} - 2S_{abi}g^{ab})$$

is obtained. And we have, from (1.8) and (1.18),

(1. 20)  $S_{ajk}\varphi^a_{\cdot i} + S_{aki}\varphi^a_{\cdot j} + S_{aij}\varphi^a_{\cdot k}$ 

$$=\frac{1}{n}(\varphi_{jk}S_i+\varphi_{ki}S_j+\varphi_{ij}S_k).$$

From (1. 19) and (1. 20), we will seek the solution  $S_{ijk}$  satisfying

$$g^{ab}S_{aib}=S_i$$
.

Since we have (1.19) by contracting on both sides of (1.20) with  $\varphi^{jk}$ , we may consider (1.20) only. Then, if we put as

(1.21) 
$$S_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2n} (g_{ik}S_j - g_{ij}S_k + \varphi_{ik}\varphi_{j}^{b}S_b - \varphi_{ij}\varphi_{k}^{c}S_b) + s_{ijk}$$

from  $S_{aib}g^{ab} = S_i$ , we get

(1. 22)  $s_{ajb}g^{ab} = 0.$ 

Next substituting (1. 21) into (1. 20),

(1. 23) 
$$s_{ajk}\varphi^a_{\cdot i} + s_{aki}\varphi^a_{\cdot j} + s_{aij}\varphi^a_{\cdot k} = 0$$

is obtained. Hence if we put

$$(1. 24) u_{ijk} = s_{ajk} \varphi^a_{\cdot i}$$

for simplicity, this  $u_{ijk}$  should satisfy the following conditions:

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(1. 25) 
$$\begin{cases} (i) & u_{ijk} + u_{jki} + u_{kij} = 0, \\ (ii) & u_{ajc} \varphi^{ac} = 0, \\ (iii) & u_{ijk} = -u_{ikj}. \end{cases}$$

(i) is obtained from (1.23), (ii) is equivalent to (1.22) and (iii) is seen from the fact that  $S_{ijk}$  is skew-symmetric with respect to j and k. And the solution of (1.20) is given by (1.21) and

$$(1. 26) s_{ijk} = -u_{ajk} \varphi^a_{\cdot i}.$$

We will seek the  $u_{ijk}$  satisfying the system of equations (1.25). However  $u_{ijk}=0$  obviously satisfies (1.25), and  $s_{ijk}=0$  is obtained from (1.26). In this case as is seen from (1.21), this gives the semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection. Consequently, when (1.18) holds, we know that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  admits a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection.

Summarizing the above, we have the following

THEOREM 1.3. A necessary and sufficient condition that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$   $(n \neq 1)$  may admit a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection is that

(1.18) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (\varphi_{jk}\varphi_{ibc} + \varphi_{ki}\varphi_{jbc} + \varphi_{ij}\varphi_{kbc})\varphi^{bc}$$

holds.

In an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$ , when the torsion tensor  $S_{ijk}$  of the metric  $\varphi$ connection  $E_{jk}^i$  is skew-symmetric in all the indices, then (1. 9)' holds. And moreover, if this connection is half-symmetric, (1. 13) holds. Hence in an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$ , when the torsion tensor  $S_{ijk}$  of a metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jk}^*$  is skewsymmetric in all the indices, in order that the  $E_{jk}^*$  may be half-symmetric, from (1. 9)' and (1. 13) it is necessary that

(1. 27) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \varphi_{ibc} \varphi^b_{.j} \varphi^c_{.k}$$

holds.

Conversely, since (1.13) is obtained from (1.27) and (1.9)', this is also sufficient.

Summarizing the above we have the following

THEOREM 1.4. In an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$ , when the torsion tensor  $S_{ijk}$  of the metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jk}^i$  is skew-symmetric in all the indices, a necessary and sufficient condition that the connection  $E_{jk}^i$  may be half-symmetric is that

(1. 27) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \varphi_{ibc} \varphi_{.j}^{b} \varphi_{.k}^{c}$$

holds.

N.B. (1.27) is equivalent to

$$(1. 27)' \qquad \qquad \varphi_{ijo}\varphi^c_{.k} = \varphi_{ikb}\varphi^b_{.j}$$

which shows that  $\varphi_{ijo}\varphi_k^c$  is symmetric with respect to j and k. Consequently, this shows that  $\varphi_{ijo}\varphi_k^c$  is symmetric with respect to i and k.

# §2. Determination of semi-symmetric metric $\varphi$ -connection on an Hermitian manifold.

We suppose that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}(g_{ij}(x), \varphi_{j}^{*}(x))$  is conformal to a Kählerian manifold  $\tilde{M}^{2n}(\tilde{g}_{ij}(x), \tilde{\varphi}_{j}^{*}(x))$ .

That is, we suppose that there exists a suitable function  $\sigma(x)$  such that

(2. 1) 
$$\begin{cases} g_{ij}(x) = e^{\sigma(x)} \tilde{g}_{ij}(x), \\ \varphi_{ij}(x) = \tilde{\varphi}_{ij}^{i}(x) \end{cases}$$

hold.

$$\varphi_{ij}(x) = g_{ia}(x) \varphi^a_{ij}(x), \qquad \tilde{\varphi}_{ij}(x) = \tilde{\boldsymbol{g}}_{ia}(x) \tilde{\varphi}^a_{ij}(x)$$

are both skew-symmetric with respect to i and j and

(2.2) 
$$\varphi_{ij}(x) = e^{\sigma(x)} \tilde{\varphi}_{ij}(x)$$

holds. Since  $\tilde{g}_{ij}(x)$  defines a Kählerian metric,

(2.3) 
$$\begin{cases} N_{jk}^{i} = \varphi_{k}^{a} (\varphi_{ia,j}^{i} - \varphi_{ja,a}^{i}) - \varphi_{ij}^{a} (\varphi_{ia,k}^{i} - \varphi_{ka,a}^{i}) = 0, \\ \tilde{\varphi}_{ij,k} + \tilde{\varphi}_{jk,i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{ki,j} = 0 \end{cases}$$

hold and vice-versa. Now if we denote the covariant differentiation with respect to the Christoffel symbol  $\{\tilde{i}_{j}\}$  of a Kählerian metric  $\tilde{g}_{ij}(x)$  as  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{i}$ , (2.3) can be rewritten as follows:

(2. 4) 
$$\begin{cases} (\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{j}\tilde{\varphi}_{ia}-\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{a}\tilde{\varphi}_{ij})\tilde{\varphi}^{a}_{\cdot k}-(\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k}\tilde{\varphi}_{ia}-\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{a}\tilde{\varphi}_{ik})\tilde{\varphi}^{a}_{\cdot j}=0,\\ \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{i}\tilde{\varphi}_{jk}+\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{j}\tilde{\varphi}_{ki}+\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k}\tilde{\varphi}_{ij}=0. \end{cases}$$

This is, as is well known, equivalent to

$$(2.5) \qquad \qquad \widetilde{\mathbf{\nu}}_{i} \widetilde{\varphi}_{jk} = 0$$

Since we have from (2, 2)

$$\begin{split} \varphi_{ij,k} &= e^{\sigma} \tilde{\varphi}_{ij,k} + \sigma, {}_{k} \varphi_{ij}, \\ \varphi_{ijk} &= \varphi_{ij,k} + \varphi_{jk,i} + \varphi_{ki,j} \\ &= e^{\sigma} (\tilde{\varphi}_{ij,k} + \tilde{\varphi}_{jk,i} + \tilde{\varphi}_{ki,j}) \\ &+ (\sigma, {}_{i} \varphi_{jk} + \sigma, {}_{j} \varphi_{ki} + \sigma, {}_{k} \varphi_{ij}) \end{split}$$

is obtained. Since  $\tilde{g}_{ij}$  is a Kählerian metric, taking notice of (2.3), we get

(2.6) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \sigma_{,i} \varphi_{jk} + \sigma_{,j} \varphi_{ki} + \sigma_{,k} \varphi_{ij}.$$

Contracting on both sides of this with  $\varphi^{jk}$ ,

(2.7) 
$$\varphi_{ibc}\varphi^{bc} = 2(n-1)\sigma,$$

is obtained, so substituting this into (2.6), we have,  $(n \neq 1)$ 

(2.8) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (\varphi_{jk} \varphi_{ibc} + \varphi_{ki} \varphi_{jbc} + \varphi_{ij} \varphi_{kbc}) \varphi^{bc}.$$

Summing up, we see that in order that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$   $(n \neq 1)$   $(g_{ij}, \varphi_{j}^{i})$  may be conformal to a Kählerian manifold  $\tilde{M}^{2n}$ , it is necessary that (2.8) holds.

Conversely, for n>2 if (2.8) holds, it is known that an Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  is conformal to a Kählerian manifold  $\tilde{M}^{2n}$ . (See [3], [4].)

Summarizing the above, we have the following well known

THEOREM 2.1. A necessary and sufficient condition that a  $2n \ (n>2)$  dimensional Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  may be conformal to a Kählerian manifold  $\tilde{M}^{2n}$  is that

(2.8) 
$$\varphi_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (\varphi_{jk}\varphi_{ibc} + \varphi_{ki}\varphi_{jbc} + \varphi_{ij}\varphi_{kbc})\varphi^{bc}$$

holds.

Now, since (1. 18) and (2. 8) are the same, from Proposition 1. 2, Theorem 1. 3 and Theorem 2. 1, we get the following

THEOREM 2.2. A necessary and sufficient condition that a 2n (n>2) dimensional almost Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  may admit a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection is that the  $M^{2n}$  is conformal to a Kählerian manifold.

If an almost Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}$  (n>2) admits a semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection, from (1.15)

$$S_{jk}^{i} = \frac{1}{2n} (\delta_{k}^{i} S_{j} - \delta_{j}^{i} S_{k} + \varphi_{k}^{i} \varphi_{j}^{b} S_{b} - \varphi_{j}^{i} \varphi_{k}^{c} S_{b})$$

holds. And since

$$S_i = -\frac{n}{2}\sigma, i$$

holds from (1.17) and (2.7), when we substitute this into the above expression, we have

$$S_{\cdot jk}^{i} = \frac{1}{4} \left( \delta_{j}^{i} \sigma_{,k} - \delta_{k}^{i} \sigma_{,j} + \varphi_{\cdot j}^{i} \varphi_{\cdot k}^{c} \sigma_{,c} - \varphi_{\cdot k}^{i} \varphi_{\cdot j}^{b} \sigma_{,b} \right).$$

Consequently, from this

$$S_{jk}^{\,\,i} = \frac{1}{4} \left( g_{jk} g^{ia} \sigma_{,a} - \delta_j^i \sigma_{,k} - \varphi_{jk} \varphi^{ib} \sigma_{,b} + \varphi_{,j}^i \varphi_{,k}^{b} \sigma_{,b} \right)$$

holds. Hence substituting these results into (1.5),

(2.9) 
$$E_{j^{i}k} = \{_{jk}^{i}\} + \frac{1}{2} (-\delta_{k}^{i}\sigma, j + \varphi_{j}^{i}\varphi_{k}^{e}\sigma, c + g_{jk}g^{ia}\sigma, c)$$

is obtained. On the other hand, as is well known from (2.1), since

$$\{ {}^{i}_{jk} \} = \{ {}^{\widetilde{i}}_{jk} \} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \delta^{i}_{j}\sigma_{,k} + \delta^{i}_{k}\sigma_{,j} - g_{jk}g^{ia}\sigma_{,a} \right)$$

holds, substituting this into (2.9), we have

$$E_{jk}^{i} = \{\tilde{j}_{k}^{i}\} + \frac{1}{2} (\delta_{j}^{i}\sigma, k + \varphi_{j}^{i}\varphi_{k}^{c}\sigma, c),$$

namely

(2. 10) 
$$E_{jk}^{i} = \{\tilde{j}_{k}\} + *O_{jk}^{ia}\sigma, a$$

This is the semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection.

Summarizing the above, we have the following

THEOREM 2.3. The semi-symmetric metric  $\varphi$ -connection  $E_{jk}^i(x)$  that a 2n (n>2) dimensional Hermitian manifold  $M^{2n}(g_{ij}(x) = e^{\sigma(x)}\tilde{g}_{ij}(x), \varphi_{j}^i(x))$  conformal to a Kählerian manifold  $\tilde{M}^{2n}(\tilde{g}_{ij}(x), \varphi_{j}^i(x))$  admits is given by

(2. 10) 
$$E^{i}_{jk} = \{i\}_{jk} + *O^{ia}_{jk}\sigma, a.$$

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