

## REAL HYPERSURFACES OF A COMPLEX PROJECTIVE SPACE IN TERMS OF HOLOMORPHIC DISTRIBUTION

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### 0. Introduction.

Real hypersurfaces in a complex projective space have been studied by many differential geometers (for example, see [1], [2], [3], [7], [14] and [15]). In this paper, we study real hypersurfaces in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  from the point of view of holomorphic distribution, where  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  denotes an  $n$ -dimensional complex projective space with Fubini-Study metric of constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4.

R. Takagi ([13]) showed that all homogeneous real hypersurfaces in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  are realized as the tubes of constant radius over compact Hermitian symmetric spaces of rank 1 or 2. Namely, he proved the following

**THEOREM A** ([13]). *Let  $M$  be a homogeneous real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of the following:*

- (A<sub>1</sub>) *a geodesic hypersphere (, that is, a tube over a hyperplane  $P_{n-1}(\mathbf{C})$ ),*
- (A<sub>2</sub>) *a tube over a totally geodesic  $P_k(\mathbf{C})$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n-2$ ),*
- (B) *a tube over a complex quadric  $Q_{n-1}$ ,*
- (C) *a tube over  $P_1(\mathbf{C}) \times P_{(n-1)/2}(\mathbf{C})$  and  $n(\geq 5)$  is odd,*
- (D) *a tube over a complex Grassmann  $G_{2,5}(\mathbf{C})$  and  $n=9$ ,*
- (E) *a tube over a Hermitian symmetric space  $SO(10)/U(5)$  and  $n=15$ .*

On the other hand, Kimura ([4], [5]) constructed a certain class of non-homogeneous real hypersurfaces in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ , which are called *ruled* real hypersurfaces in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ .

Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  and denote by  $TM$  the tangent bundle of  $M$ . Set  $\xi = -JN$ , where  $J$  is the complex structure tensor of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  and  $N$  is a local unit normal vector field of  $M$  in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Then we may write as  $T_x M = T_x^0 M + \mathbf{R}\{\xi_x\}$  at any fixed point  $x$  of  $M$ , where  $T_x^0 M$  is a  $J$ -invariant subspace of  $T_x M$ . Let  $A_2$  be the second fundamental form for the subbundle

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$T^0M$  in  $TP_n(\mathbf{C})$  over  $M$  (see § 3), where  $TP_n(\mathbf{C})$  is the tangent bundle of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Set  $A^0 = A_2|_{T^0M}$ . Then  $A^0$  may be interpreted as a smooth section of  $\text{Hom}(T^0M, \text{Hom}(T^0M, N^0M))$ , where  $N^0M$  is the orthogonal complement of  $T^0M$  in  $TP_n(\mathbf{C})$  with respect to the metric on  $TP_n(\mathbf{C})$ , which is also a subbundle of  $TP_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Each of  $T^0M$  and  $N^0M$  has a connection induced from  $TP_n(\mathbf{C})$  and hence  $\text{Hom}(T^0M, \text{Hom}(T^0M, N^0M))$  has a connection, which is denoted by  $\nabla^0$  (cf. [6]).

In Section 3, we show the condition that  $\nabla_X^0 A^0 = 0$  for any  $X \in T^0M$  implies that either  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector and the shape operator  $A$  of  $M$  in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  is  $\eta$ -parallel or  $T^0M$  is integrable, hence either  $M$  is locally a homogeneous real hypersurface of type  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  or  $B$ , or  $M$  is foliated by complex hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  with parallel second fundamental form, which is  $P_{n-1}(\mathbf{C})$  or a complex hyperquadric  $Q_{n-1}(\mathbf{C})$  by the well-known result of Nakagawa-Takagi ([10]). Moreover, we determine real hypersurfaces  $M$ 's (in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ ) which satisfy the condition " $T^0M$  is a curvature invariant subspace of  $TM$  and  $\xi$  is not a principal curvature vector" by using Kimura's work [4].

In Section 2, we give some characterizations of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .

### 1. Preliminaries.

Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . In a neighborhood of each point, we choose a unit normal vector field  $N$  in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . The Riemannian connections  $\tilde{\nabla}$  in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  and  $\nabla$  in  $M$  are related by the following formulas for arbitrary vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M$ :

$$(1.1) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + g(AX, Y)N,$$

$$(1.2) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X N = -AX,$$

where  $g$  denotes the Riemannian metric of  $M$  induced from the Fubini-Study metric  $G$  of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  and  $A$  is the shape operator of  $M$  in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . An eigenvector  $X$  of the shape operator  $A$  is called a *principal curvature vector*. Also an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$  is called a *principal curvature*. In what follows, we denote by  $V_\lambda$  the eigenspace of  $A$  associated with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . It is known that  $M$  has an almost contact metric structure induced from the complex structure  $J$  of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ , that is, we define a tensor field  $\phi$  of type  $(1, 1)$ , a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  on  $M$  by  $g(\phi X, Y) = G(JX, Y)$  and  $g(\xi, X) = \eta(X) = G(JX, N)$ . Then we have

$$(1.3) \quad \phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad g(\xi, \xi) = 1, \quad \phi\xi = 0.$$

From (1.1), we easily have

$$(1.4) \quad (\nabla_x \phi)Y = \eta(Y)AX - g(AX, Y)\xi,$$

$$(1.5) \quad \nabla_x \xi = \phi AX.$$

Let  $\tilde{R}$  and  $R$  be the curvature tensors of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  and  $M$ , respectively. Since the curvature tensor  $\tilde{R}$  has a nice form, we have the following Gauss and Codazzi equations:

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} g(R(X, Y)Z, W) &= g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W) \\ &\quad + g(\phi Y, Z)g(\phi X, W) - g(\phi X, Z)g(\phi Y, W) \\ &\quad - 2g(\phi X, Y)g(\phi Z, W) + g(AY, Z)g(AX, W) \\ &\quad - g(AX, Z)g(AY, W), \end{aligned}$$

$$(1.7) \quad (\nabla_x A)Y - (\nabla_Y A)X = \eta(X)\phi Y - \eta(Y)\phi X - 2g(\phi X, Y)\xi.$$

It is well-known that there does not exist a real hypersurface  $M$  of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$  satisfying  $\nabla A = 0$  (, that is, the second fundamental form of  $M$  is parallel). Here we recall the following notion: The second fundamental form is called  $\eta$ -parallel if  $g((\nabla_x A)Y, Z) = 0$  for any  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  which are orthogonal to  $\xi$ . We note that the second fundamental form of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1, A_2, B$  and ruled real hypersurfaces is  $\eta$ -parallel (cf. Theorem 5). We say that  $M$  is a *ruled* real hypersurface if there is a foliation of  $M$  by complex hyperplanes  $P_{n-1}(\mathbf{C})$ . More precisely, let  $T^0M$  be the distribution defined by  $T_x^0M = \{X \in T_xM : X \perp \xi\}$  for  $x \in M$ . Then  $T^0M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is a totally geodesic submanifold  $P_{n-1}(\mathbf{C})$ . In the following, we use the same terminology and notations as above unless otherwise stated. Now we prepare without proof the following in order to prove our Theorems:

**THEOREM B** ([11], [12]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .
- (ii)  $L_\xi g = 0$ , where  $L$  is the Lie derivative. Namely,  $\xi$  is an infinitesimal isometry.
- (iii)  $\phi A = A\phi$ .

**THEOREM C** ([5]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Then the second fundamental form of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel and  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1, A_2$  and  $B$ .*

THEOREM D ([5]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the second fundamental form of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel and the holomorphic distribution  $T^0M(= \{X \in TM : X \perp \xi\})$  is integrable if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to a ruled real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ .*

PROPOSITION A ([9]). *If  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector, then the corresponding principal curvature  $\alpha$  is locally constant.*

PROPOSITION B ([9]). *Assume that  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector and the corresponding principal curvature is  $\alpha$ . If  $AX=rX$  for  $X \perp \xi$ , then we have  $A\phi X = ((\alpha r + 2)/(2r - \alpha))\phi X$ .*

PROPOSITION C ([9]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous ones of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .*
- (ii)  *$g((\nabla_X A)Y, Z) = -\eta(Y)g(\phi X, Z) - \eta(Z)g(\phi X, Y)$  for any vector fields  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  on  $M$ .*

PROPOSITION D ([5]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) *The holomorphic distribution  $T^0M = \{X \in TM : X \perp \xi\}$  is integrable.*
- (ii)  *$g((\phi A + A\phi)X, Y) = 0$  for any  $X, Y \in T^0M$ .*

## 2. Homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type $A_1$ and $A_2$ .

In this section we provide some characterizations of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  in  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Motivated by Theorem B, first of all we prove the following

THEOREM 1. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .*
- (ii)  *$L_\xi \phi = 0$ , that is,  $\xi$  is an infinitesimal automorphism of  $\phi$ .*

PROOF. For any  $X \in TM$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (L_\xi \phi)(X) &= [\xi, \phi X] - \phi([\xi, X]) \\ &= \nabla_\xi(\phi X) - \nabla_{\phi X} \xi - \phi(\nabla_\xi X - \nabla_X \xi) \\ &= (\nabla_\xi \phi)X - \nabla_{\phi X} \xi + \phi(\nabla_X \xi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \eta(X)A\xi - g(A\xi, X)\xi - \phi A\phi X + \phi^2 AX \quad (\text{from (1.4) and (1.5)}) \\
&= \eta(X)A\xi - g(A\xi, X)\xi - \phi A\phi X - AX + \eta(AX)\xi \quad (\text{from (1.3)}) \\
&= \eta(X)A\xi - \phi A\phi X - AX.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $(L_\xi\phi)(\xi)=0$ , the above calculation asserts that  $L_\xi\phi=0$  is equivalent to

$$(2.1) \quad AX = -\phi A\phi X \quad \text{for any } X(\perp\xi).$$

From (1.3) and (2.1) we find

$$(2.2) \quad \phi AX = A\phi X - \eta(A\phi X)\xi \quad \text{for any } X(\perp\xi).$$

Then we see

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi^2 AX &= -AX + \eta(AX)\xi \quad (\text{from (1.3)}) \\
&= \phi A\phi X \quad (\text{from (1.3) and (2.2)}) \\
&= -AX \quad (\text{from (2.1)}),
\end{aligned}$$

that is,  $\eta(AX)=0$  for any  $X(\perp\xi)$  so that  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector. And hence, we get  $\eta(A\phi X)=g(A\phi X, \xi)=g(\phi X, A\xi)=0$ . Here we suppose that  $L_\xi\phi=0$ . Then from (2.2) we obtain  $\phi AX=A\phi X$  for any  $X(\perp\xi)$ . Moreover, from the fact that  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector, it follows that  $\phi A\xi=A\phi\xi(=0)$ . Then “ $L_\xi\phi=0$ ” implies “ $\phi A=A\phi$ ”. On the other hand “ $\phi A=A\phi$ ” yields the equation (2.1), that is, “ $L_\xi\phi=0$ ”. Therefore by virtue of Theorem B, we get our conclusion. Q. E. D.

Now let  $T^0M^C$  be a complexification of  $T^0M$ . Then we have  $T^0M^C = T^0M^{(1,0)} \oplus T^0M^{(0,1)}$  with respect to  $\phi$ , where

$$T^0M^{(1,0)} = \{Z \in T^0M^C : \phi Z = \sqrt{-1}Z\} = \{X - \sqrt{-1}\phi X : X \in T^0M\}$$

and

$$T^0M^{(0,1)} = \{Z \in T^0M^C : \phi Z = -\sqrt{-1}Z\} = \{X + \sqrt{-1}\phi X : X \in T^0M\}.$$

We are now in a position to prove the following

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i)  $M$  is locally equivalent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .
- (ii)  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector and  $\nabla_Z\xi$  is a  $(0, 1)$ -vector for any  $Z \in T^0M^{(0,1)}$ .

**PROOF.** For any  $Z(=X + \sqrt{-1}\phi X) \in T^0M^{(0,1)}$ , from (1.5) we have

$$(2.3) \quad \nabla_Z \xi = \phi AX + \sqrt{-1} \phi A \phi X \in T^0 M^c, \quad \text{where } X \in T^0 M.$$

(i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii): Since  $\phi A = A\phi$ ,  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector. Then from (2.3) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_Z \xi &= \phi AX + \sqrt{-1} \phi^2 AX \\ &= \phi AX + \sqrt{-1} (-AX + \eta(AX)\xi) \quad (\text{from (1.3)}) \\ &= \phi AX - \sqrt{-1} AX. \end{aligned}$$

Then we find

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\nabla_Z \xi) &= \phi(\phi AX - \sqrt{-1} AX) \\ &= -AX + \eta(AX)\xi - \sqrt{-1} \phi AX \\ &= -\sqrt{-1}(\phi AX - \sqrt{-1} AX), \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $\nabla_Z \xi$  is a  $(0, 1)$ -vector with respect to  $\phi$ .

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i): From (2.3) we have

$$\phi(\nabla_Z \xi) = \phi(\phi AX + \sqrt{-1} \phi A \phi X) = -\sqrt{-1}(\phi AX + \sqrt{-1} \phi A \phi X).$$

This, together with (1.3), shows that

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} -AX + \eta(AX)\xi + \sqrt{-1}(-A\phi X + \eta(A\phi X)\xi) \\ = -\sqrt{-1} \phi AX + \phi A \phi X \quad \text{for any } X(\perp \xi). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector, the equation (2.4) is reduced to  $-AX - \sqrt{-1} A\phi X = \phi A \phi X - \sqrt{-1} \phi AX$  for any  $X(\perp \xi)$ . Therefore we conclude that  $\phi A = A\phi$ . Q. E. D.

REMARK 1. Let  $M$  be a Kaehler manifold (with complex structure  $J$ ). Then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $L_X J = 0$ .
- (ii)  $\nabla_Z X$  is a  $(0, 1)$ -vector for any  $(0, 1)$ -vector  $Z$ .

Motivated by this fact, we established Theorem 2.

Finally we prove the following

PROPOSITION 1. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Suppose that  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector and the corresponding principal curvature is non-zero. If  $\nabla_\xi A = 0$ , then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .*

PROOF. By hypothesis we may put  $A\xi = \alpha\xi$ . Then from Proposition A, (1.3) and (1.5) we have

$$(\nabla_{\xi}A)\xi = \nabla_{\xi}(A\xi) - A\nabla_{\xi}\xi = (\xi\alpha)\xi + \alpha\nabla_{\xi}\xi = 0.$$

And hence " $\nabla_{\xi}A=0$ " implies

$$(2.5) \quad g((\nabla_{\xi}A)X, Y) = 0 \quad (\text{for any } X, Y \perp \xi).$$

On the other hand, for any  $X \in V_r = \{X : AX = rX, X \perp \xi\}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} g((\nabla_{\xi}A)X, Y) &= g((\nabla_XA)\xi + \phi X, Y) \quad (\text{from (1.7)}) \\ &= g(\nabla_X(A\xi) - A\nabla_X\xi + \phi X, Y) \\ &= g(\alpha\phi AX - A\phi AX + \phi X, Y) \quad (\text{from Proposition A and (1.5)}) \\ &= g(\alpha r\phi X - rA\phi X + \phi X, Y) \\ &= \left\{ r\left(\alpha - \frac{\alpha r + 2}{2r - \alpha}\right) + 1 \right\} g(\phi X, Y) \quad (\text{from Proposition B}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the equation (2.5) asserts that

$$r\left(\alpha - \frac{\alpha r + 2}{2r - \alpha}\right) + 1 = 0.$$

Namely we find  $\alpha(r^2 - \alpha r - 1) = 0$ . Since  $\alpha \neq 0$ , we have  $r^2 - \alpha r - 1 = 0$  so that  $r(2r - \alpha) = \alpha r + 2$ , that is,  $r = (\alpha r + 2)/(2r - \alpha)$ . Therefore  $\phi V_r = V_r$  so that our real hypersurface  $M$  must be locally congruent to one of homogeneous ones of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  (cf. [8]). Of course a homogeneous real hypersurface of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  satisfies the condition " $\nabla_{\xi}A=0$ " (cf. Proposition C). Q. E. D.

REMARK 2. " $A\xi=0$ " implies " $\nabla_{\xi}A=0$ " (see the proof of Proposition 1).

REMARK 3. By an easy calculation we find the following:

$$\nabla_{\xi}\xi = 0 \quad (\text{that is, } \xi \text{ is principal}) \Leftrightarrow (\nabla_{\xi}\phi)X = 0 \text{ for any } X \in TM \Leftrightarrow (\nabla_{\xi}\phi)(\xi) = 0.$$

### 3. Main results.

To state our results, we prepare some fundamental equations of subbundles (cf. [6]). Let  $F$  be a vector bundle over a Riemannian manifold  $M$ . Assume that  $F$  has a metric connection. Then any subbundle  $E$  of  $F$  has an induced metric connection. Denote by  $\nabla^F$  and  $\nabla^E$  the connections of  $F$  and  $E$ , respectively. Then we have

$$(3.1) \quad \nabla_X^E v = \nabla_X^F v + A(X)(v) \quad \text{for any } v \in C^\infty(E) \text{ and } X \in TM,$$

where  $A$  is a  $\text{Hom}(E, E^\perp)$ -valued 1-form on  $M$  and  $E^\perp$  is the orthogonal complement of  $E$  in  $F$  with respect to the metric on  $F$ .  $A$  is called the *second fundamental form* of subbundle  $E$  in  $F$ .  $E^\perp$  is also given a connection induced from  $F$ . Denote it by  $\nabla^{E^\perp}$ . Then we see that

$$(3.2) \quad \nabla_X^E w = \nabla_X^{E^\perp} w + B(X)(w) \quad \text{for any } w \in C^\infty(E^\perp) \text{ and } X \in TM,$$

where  $B$  is a  $\text{Hom}(E^\perp, E)$ -valued 1-form on  $M$ . It is easily seen that  $A = -{}^t B$ , where  ${}^t B$  is the transpose of  $B$  with respect to the metric on  $F$ .

Now let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then  $TM$  is a subbundle of  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$  over  $M$  and  $T^0M = \{X \in TM : X \perp \xi\}$  is a subbundle of  $TM$ . Thus each of  $TM$  and  $T^0M$  has a metric connection induced from  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$ . The orthogonal complement of  $T^0M$  in  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$  with respect to the metric on  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$  is denoted by  $N^0M$ , which is also a subbundle of  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$  with the induced metric connection.

Denote by  $\nabla^0$  and  $\nabla^\perp$  the connections of  $T^0M$  and  $N^0M$ , respectively. By (3.1) we have

$$(3.3) \quad \nabla_X Y = \nabla_X^0 Y + A_1(X)(Y)$$

$$(3.4) \quad \check{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X^0 Y + A_2(X)(Y) \quad \text{for any } Y \in C^\infty(T^0M) \text{ and } X \in TM,$$

where  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are the second fundamental forms of the subbundle  $T^0M$  in  $TM$  and  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$ , respectively. Note that the second fundamental form of  $TM$  in  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$  coincides with the ordinary second fundamental form of the immersion  $M \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{C})$ .  $A_2$  is interpreted as a smooth section of  $\text{Hom}(TM, \text{Hom}(T^0M, N^0M))$ . Set  $A^0 = A_2|_{T^0M}$ , which is a smooth section of  $\text{Hom}(T^0M, \text{Hom}(T^0M, N^0M))$ . Note that any ruled real hypersurfaces in  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$  may be characterized by the condition  $A^0 \equiv 0$ . We here consider the covariant derivative of  $A^0$  with respect to the connection on  $\text{Hom}(T^0M, \text{Hom}(T^0M, N^0M))$  induced from  $TP_n(\mathbb{C})$ . First of all we show the following fundamental relations.

PROPOSITION 2.

- (i)  $A_1(X)(Y) = -g(\phi AX, Y)\xi$ ,
- (ii)  $A_2(X)(Y) = g(AX, Y)N - g(\phi AX, Y)\xi$ ,
- (iii)  $\nabla^0 \phi = 0$ ,
- (iv)  $\nabla_X^\perp \xi = g(AX, \xi)N$ ,
- (v)  $\nabla_X^\perp N = -g(AX, \xi)\xi$ ,

where  $X \in TM$  and  $Y \in C^\infty(T^0M)$ .

PROOF. For any  $X \in TM$  and  $Y \in C^\infty(T^0M)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(i) \quad & g(A_1(X)(Y), \xi) = g(\nabla_X Y, \xi) = -g(Y, \phi AX), \\
(ii) \quad & g(A_2(X)(Y), \xi) = G(\tilde{\nabla}_X Y, \xi) = g(\nabla_X Y, \xi) = -g(Y, \phi AX), \\
& G(A_2(X)(Y), N) = G(\tilde{\nabla}_X Y, N) = g(AX, Y), \\
(iii) \quad & (\nabla_X^0 \phi)(Y) = \nabla_X^0 \phi(Y) - \phi(\nabla_X^0 Y) \\
& = \nabla_X \phi(Y) - A_1(X)(\phi(Y)) - \phi(\nabla_X Y - A_1(X)(Y)) \\
& = (\nabla_X \phi)(Y) + g(\phi AX, \phi Y) \xi \\
& = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used (1.1)~(1.5).

$$(iv) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X \xi = \nabla_X \xi + g(AX, \xi)N = \phi AX + g(AX, \xi)N,$$

which, together with (3.2), implies  $\nabla_X^\perp \xi = g(AX, \xi)N$ .

$$(v) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X N = -AX,$$

which, combined with (3.2), implies  $\nabla_X^\perp N = -g(AX, \xi)\xi$ .

Q. E. D.

The connection on  $\text{Hom}(T^0M, \text{Hom}(T^0M, N^0M))$  is also denoted by  $\nabla^0$ . The covariant derivative of  $A^0$  is defined by

$$(3.5) \quad (\nabla_X^0 A^0)(Y)(Z) = \nabla_X^\perp A^0(Y)(Z) - A^0(\nabla_X^0 Y)(Z) - A^0(Y)(\nabla_X^0 Z)$$

for any  $X \in TM$  and  $Y, Z \in C^\infty(T^0M)$ .

Now we prove

PROPOSITION 3. For any  $X \in TM$  and  $Y, Z \in C^\infty(T^0M)$ ,

$$(3.6) \quad (\nabla_X^0 A^0)(Y)(Z) = \Psi(X, Y, Z)N + \Psi(X, Y, \phi Z)\xi,$$

where  $\Psi$  is the trilinear tensor defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.7) \quad \Psi(X, Y, Z) = & g((\nabla_X A)(Y), Z) - \eta(AX)g(\phi AY, Z) \\
& - \eta(AY)g(\phi AX, Z) - \eta(AZ)g(\phi AX, Y).
\end{aligned}$$

PROOF. We have from Proposition 2

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla_X^0 A^0)(Y)(Z) = & \nabla_X^\perp A^0(Y)(Z) - A^0(\nabla_X^0 Y)(Z) - A^0(Y)(\nabla_X^0 Z) \\
= & \{g(\nabla_X(A Y), Z) + g(A Y, \nabla_X Z)\}N - \eta(AX)g(AY, Z)\xi \\
& - \{g(\nabla_X(\phi AY), Z) + g(\phi AY, \nabla_X Z)\}\xi - \eta(AX)g(\phi AY, Z)N
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -g(A(\nabla_x^0 Y), Z)N + g(\phi A(\nabla_x^0 Y), Z)\xi - g(AY, \nabla_x^0 Z)N \\
& + g(\phi AY, \nabla_x^0 Z)\xi \\
= & \{g((\nabla_x A)(Y), Z) - \eta(AY)g(\phi AX, Z) - \eta(AX)g(\phi AY, Z) \\
& - \eta(AZ)g(\phi AX, Y)\}N + \{-\eta(AX)g(AY, Z) - \eta(AY)g(AX, Z) \\
& - g(\phi(\nabla_x(AY)), Z) + g(\phi A(\nabla_x Y), Z) - \eta(A\phi Z)g(\phi AX, Y)\}\xi,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies (3.6).

Q. E. D.

Recall the definition of  $\eta$ -parallelity of  $A$ . We say that  $A^0$  is  $\eta$ -parallel if  $\nabla_x^0 A^0 \equiv 0$  for any  $X \in C^\infty(T^0M)$ .

The main purpose of this paper is to prove the following

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Assume that  $A^0$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. Then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of the following:*

- (1) *a homogeneous real hypersurface of type  $A_1$ ,*
- (2) *a homogeneous real hypersurface of type  $A_2$ ,*
- (3) *a homogeneous real hypersurface of type  $B$ ,*
- (4) *a real hypersurface in which  $T^0M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is a totally geodesic  $P_{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$  (, that is,  $M$  is a ruled real hypersurface),*
- (5) *a real hypersurface in which  $T^0M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is a complex quadric  $Q_{n-1}$ .*

**PROOF.** By Proposition 3,  $A^0$  is  $\eta$ -parallel if and only if  $\Psi(X, Y, Z) = 0$  for any  $X, Y, Z \in C^\infty(T^0M)$ , that is,

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.8) \quad g((\nabla_x A)(Y), Z) &= \eta(AX)g(\phi AY, Z) + \eta(AY)g(\phi AX, Z) \\
&+ \eta(AZ)g(\phi AX, Y) \quad \text{for any } X, Y, Z \in C^\infty(T^0M).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we must study real hypersurfaces (in  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ ) which satisfy the equation (3.8). Since the Codazzi equation (1.7) tells us that  $g((\nabla_x A)Y, Z)$  is symmetric for any  $X, Y$  and  $Z (\in T^0M)$ , exchanging  $X$  and  $Y$  in (3.8), we obtain  $g(Y, \phi AX)\eta(AZ) = g(X, \phi AY)\eta(AZ)$  so that

$$(3.9) \quad \eta(AZ)g((A\phi + \phi A)X, Y) = 0 \quad \text{for any } X, Y, Z (\in T^0M).$$

Now we assume that  $\eta(AZ) = 0$  for any  $Z (\in T^0M)$ , that is,  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector. Then the equation (3.8) shows that  $g((\nabla_x A)Y, Z) = 0$  for any  $X, Y, Z (\in T^0M)$ , that is, the second fundamental form  $A$  of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. And hence our real hypersurface  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous ones of type  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $B$  (cf. Theorem C). Next we assume that  $\xi$  is not a

principal curvature vector. Then the equation (3.9) tells us that the holomorphic distribution  $T^0M$  is integrable (cf. Proposition D). Of course the integral manifold  $M^0$  of  $T^0M$  is a complex hypersurface (with complex structure  $\phi$ ) in  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Moreover, the second fundamental form  $A^0$  of  $M^0$  is parallel ( $\xi$  is equivalent to (3.8)). Therefore we conclude that  $M^0$  is locally congruent to  $P_{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$  or  $Q_{n-1}$  (cf. [10]).

Q. E. D.

As an immediate consequence of Theorem C and (3.8), we get

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then  $A^0$  is  $\eta$ -parallel and  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $B$ .*

In addition, from Theorem C, Theorem D and Theorem 3, we find

**THEOREM 5.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then  $A^0$  is  $\eta$ -parallel and the second fundamental form of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $B$  or a ruled real hypersurface.*

**REMARK 4.** We now denote by  $H$  the sectional curvature of a holomorphic 2-plane (with respect to  $\phi$ ) on a real hypersurface  $M$ . Kimura ([4]) determined real hypersurfaces (in  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ ) on which  $H$  is constant. He showed the following

**THEOREM E ([4]).** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$  ( $n \geq 3$ ) on which  $H$  is constant. Then  $M$  is one of the following:*

- (a) a homogeneous real hypersurface of type  $A_1$  ( $H > 4$ ),
- (b) a real hypersurface in which  $T^0M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is a totally geodesic  $P_{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$  ( $\xi$ , that is,  $M$  is a ruled real hypersurface) ( $H = 4$ ),
- (c) a real hypersurface in which there is a foliation contained in some complex hyperplane  $P_{n-1}(\mathbb{C})$  as a ruled real hypersurface ( $H = 4$ ).

Our aim here is to give a characterization of the cases (b), (c) in Theorem E. We prove

**PROPOSITION 4.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$  ( $n \geq 3$ ). If  $T^0M$  is a curvature invariant subspace of  $TM$  and  $\xi$  is not a principal curvature vector, then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of the cases (b), (c) in Theorem E.*

**PROOF.** Since  $R(T^0M, T^0M)T^0M \subset T^0M$ , the equation (1.6) yields

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= g(R(X, Y)Z, \xi) \\ &= g(AY, Z)g(AX, \xi) - g(AX, Z)g(AY, \xi) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $X, Y, Z \in T^0M$  and  $\xi = -JN$ .

Then we have

$$(3.10) \quad \eta(AX)\phi AY = \eta(AY)\phi AX \quad \text{for any } X, Y \in T^0M.$$

We here consider a linear transformation  $\phi A: T^0M \rightarrow T^0M$ . Note that

$$(3.11) \quad \text{rank}(\phi A) \leq 1 \quad \text{at each point of } M.$$

Suppose that  $\text{rank}(\phi A) \geq 2$  at a certain point  $x$  of  $M$ . Then there exist  $X, Y \in T_x^0M$  such that

$$(3.12) \quad \phi AX \neq 0, \quad \phi AY \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad g(\phi AX, \phi AY) = 0.$$

So from (3.10) and (3.12) we see

$$(3.13) \quad \eta(AX) = 0.$$

It follows from (3.10) and (3.13) that

$$(3.14) \quad \eta(AY) = 0 \quad \text{for any } Y(\perp X).$$

Therefore, from (3.13) and (3.14) we find that  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector at  $x$ , which is a contradiction.

Then (3.11) asserts that the Gauss equation (1.6) is reduced to

$$\begin{aligned} g(R(X, Y)Z, W) &= g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W) + g(\phi Y, Z)g(\phi X, W) \\ &\quad - g(\phi X, Z)g(\phi Y, W) - 2g(\phi X, Y)g(\phi Z, W), \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)Z &= g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y + g(\phi Y, Z)\phi X - g(\phi X, Z)\phi Y \\ &\quad - 2g(\phi X, Y)\phi Z \quad \text{for any } X, Y, Z \in T^0M. \end{aligned}$$

Then we conclude that our real hypersurface  $M$  satisfies that  $H=4$ . Therefore Theorem E tells us that  $M$  is locally congruent to one of the cases (b), (c). Of course the cases (b), (c) satisfy the hypothesis of Proposition 4. Q. E. D.

We here provide a geometric meaning of the condition "the second fundamental form of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel". The following is due to Nakagawa.

**PROPOSITION 5.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (i) *The second fundamental form of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel.*

(ii) Every geodesic  $\gamma=\gamma(t)$  ( $t\in I$ ) of  $M$  such that  $\gamma'(t)$  is orthogonal to  $\xi$  (for any  $t\in I$ ), considered as a curve in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ , has constant first curvature along  $\gamma$ .

PROOF. We find that the condition (ii) is equivalent to  $g((\nabla_X A)X, X)=0$  for any  $X(\in T^0M)$ . On the other hand, the Codazzi equation shows that  $g((\nabla_X A)Y, Z)$  is symmetric for any  $X, Y$  and  $Z(\in T^0M)$ . And hence the condition (i) is equivalent to the condition (ii). Q. E. D.

REMARK 5. The first author ([8]) proved the following:

Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Then every geodesic  $\gamma$  of  $M$ , considered as a curve in  $P_n(\mathbf{C})$ , has constant first curvature along  $\gamma$  if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ .

REMARK 6. The authors do not know how to construct a real hypersurface  $M$  with  $M^0=Q_{n-1}$  (, that is,  $M$  is of case (5) in Theorem 3).

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