

## CHARACTERIZATIONS OF REAL HYPERSURFACES OF A COMPLEX HYPERBOLIC SPACE IN TERMS OF RICCI TENSOR AND HOLOMORPHIC DISTRIBUTION

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### § 0. Introduction.

Let  $CP^n$  and  $CH^n$  denote the complex projective  $n$ -space with constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4, and the complex hyperbolic  $n$ -space with constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-4$ , respectively. Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CP^n$  or  $CH^n$ .  $M$  has an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  induced from the complex structure  $J$  of  $CP^n$  or  $CH^n$ . Real hypersurfaces in  $CP^n$  and  $CH^n$  have been studied by many authors (cf. [1], [2], [3], [11], [12], [13], [14], [15] and [17]). For real hypersurfaces in  $CP^n$ , Takagi ([16]) showed that all homogeneous real hypersurfaces in  $CP^n$  are realized as the tubes of constant radius over compact Hermitian symmetric spaces of rank 1 or 2 (cf. [2] and [5]). He proved that all homogeneous real hypersurfaces in  $CP^n$  could be classified into six types which are said to be of type  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ , B, C, D and E. Kimura ([5]) also proved that a real hypersurfaces  $M$  in  $CP^n$  is homogeneous if and only if  $M$  has constant principal curvatures and  $\xi$  is principal. Other interesting results in real hypersurfaces of  $CP^n$  are shown by Kimura-Maeda ([8]) and Maeda-Udagawa ([10]):

**THEOREM A** ([8]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in  $CP^n$ . Then the following inequality holds:*

$$\|\nabla S\|^2 \geq 1/(n-1) \{2n(h - \eta(A\xi)\phi + (\phi A\xi)h + \text{trace}((\nabla_\xi A)A\phi))\}^2,$$

where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of  $M$  and  $k = \text{trace } A$ . Moreover, the equality holds if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to a geodesic hypersphere of  $CP^n$ .

Let  $TCP^n$  be the tangent bundle of  $CP^n$ . For a real hypersurface  $M$  of  $CP^n$ , let  $TM$  be the tangent bundle of  $M$ . Then,  $T^\circ M = \{X \in TM \mid X \perp \xi\}$  is a subbundle of  $TM$ . Thus each of  $TM$  and  $T^\circ M$  has a connection induced from

$TCP^n$ . The orthogonal complement of  $T^\circ M$  in  $TCP^n$  with respect to the metric on  $TCP^n$  is denoted by  $N^\circ M$ , which is also a subbundle of  $TCP^n$  with the induced metric connection. Denote by  $\nabla^\circ$  and  $\nabla^\perp$  the connections of  $T^\circ M$  and  $N^\circ M$ , respectively. Let  $A$  be the second fundamental form of  $T^\circ M$  in  $TCP^n$ . Then,  $A$  is a smooth section of  $\text{Hom}(TM, \text{Hom}(T^\circ M, N^\circ M))$ . Set  $A^\circ = A|_{T^\circ M}$ . We say that  $A^\circ$  is  $\eta$ -parallel if  $\nabla_X^\circ A^\circ \equiv 0$  for any  $X \in T^\circ M$ .

**THEOREM B** ([10]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CP^n$ . Assume that  $A^\circ$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. Then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of the following:*

- (i) *a geodesic hypersphere,*
- (ii) *a tube over a totally geodesic  $CP^k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n-2$ ),*
- (iii) *a tube over a complex quadric  $Q_{n-1}$ ,*
- (iv) *a real hypersurface in which  $T^\circ M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is a totally geodesic  $CP^{n-1}$  (that is,  $M$  is a ruled real hypersurface),*
- (v) *a real hypersurface in which  $T^\circ M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is a complex quadric  $Q_{n-1}$ .*

Note that the cases (i), (ii) and (iii) in Theorem B are homogeneous but (iv) and (v) are not homogeneous. Although as in ([16]), homogeneous real hypersurfaces of  $CP^n$  has been given a complete classification, it is still open for the question of the classification of that of  $CH^n$ .

Montiel ([12]) constructed five examples of homogeneous real hypersurfaces in  $CH^n$  using the techniques similar to Cecil and Ryan ([2]). Berndt ([1]) gives a characterization of real hypersurface in  $CH^n$  which corresponds to the result in ([5]):

**THEOREM C**([1]). *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in  $CH^n$ . Then  $M$  has constant principal curvatures and  $\xi$  is principal if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of the following:*

- (A<sub>0</sub>) *a horosphere in  $CH^n$ ,*
- (A<sub>1</sub>) *a geodesic hypersphere (that is, a tube over a point),*
- (A<sub>1</sub>') *a tube over a complex hyperplane  $CH^{n-1}$ ,*
- (A<sub>2</sub>) *a tube over a totally geodesic  $CH^k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n-2$ ),*
- (B) *a tube over a totally real hyperbolic space  $RH^n$ .*

The purpose of this paper is to investigate the real hypersurfaces of  $CH^n$  corresponding to the results in Theorem A and Theorem B. Namely, we first show the following:

THEOREM 1. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in  $CH^n$ . Then the following inequality hold.*

$$(2.30) \quad \|\nabla S\|^2 \geq 1/(n-1) \{2n(h - \eta(A\xi)) + (\phi A\xi) \cdot h - \text{trace}((\nabla_{\xi} A)A\phi)\}^2,$$

where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of  $M$  and  $h = \text{trace } A$ . Moreover, equality of (2.30) holds if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$  or  $(A'_1)$ .

Similarly as in  $CP^n$ , we may define the  $A^\circ$  and notion of  $\eta$ -parallelism of  $A^\circ$  for a real hypersurface in  $CH^n$ . Corresponding to Theorem B, we obtained the following result for  $CH^n$ .

THEOREM 2. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Assume that  $A^\circ$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. Then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$ ,  $(A_2)$ , (B) or a ruled real hypersurface.*

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§ 1. Preliminaries

We begin with recalling fundamental formulas on real hypersurfaces of a complex hyperbolic space  $CH^n$ , endowed with the Bergman metric  $g$  of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-4$ , and  $J$  the complex structure of  $CH^n$ . Now, let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$  and let  $N$  be a unit normal vector on  $M$ . For any  $X$  tangent to  $M$ , we put

$$JX = \phi X + \eta(X)N$$

where  $\phi X$  and  $\eta(X)N$  are, respectively, the tangent and normal components of  $JX$ . Then  $\phi$  is a  $(1, 1)$ -tensor and  $\eta$  is a 1-form. Moreover,  $\eta(X) = g(X, \xi)$  with  $\xi = -JN$  and  $(\phi, \eta, \xi, g)$  determines an almost contact metric structure on  $M$ .

Then we have

$$(1.1) \quad \phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad g(\xi, \xi) = 1, \quad \phi\xi = 0,$$

$$(1.2) \quad (\nabla_X \phi)Y = \eta(Y)AX - g(AX, Y)\xi,$$

$$(1.3) \quad \nabla_X \xi = \phi AX.$$

(1.2) and (1.3) follow from  $\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + g(AX, Y)N$  and  $\bar{\nabla}_X N = -AX$ , where  $\bar{\nabla}$  and  $\nabla$  are, respectively, the Levi-Civita connections of  $CH^n$  and  $M$ , and  $A$  is the shape operator of  $M$ . Let  $R$  be the curvature tensor of  $M$ . Then the

Gauss and Codazzi equations are the following :

$$(1.4) \quad R(X, Y)Z = -g(Y, Z)X + g(X, Z)Y - g(\phi Y, Z)\phi X + g(\phi X, Z)\phi Y \\ + 2g(\phi X, Y)\phi Z + g(AY, Z)AX - g(AX, Z)AY,$$

$$(1.5) \quad (\nabla_X A)Y - (\nabla_Y A)X = -\eta(X)\phi Y + \eta(Y)\phi X + 2g(\phi X, Y)\xi.$$

From (1.1), (1.3), (1.4) and (1.5), we get

$$(1.6) \quad SX = -(2n+1)X + 3\eta(X)\xi + hAX - A^2X,$$

$$(1.7) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y = 3\{g(\phi AX, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi AX\} + (X \cdot h)AY \\ + (hI - A)(\nabla_X A)Y - (\nabla_X A)AY,$$

where  $h = \text{trace } A$ ,  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of type (1.1) on  $M$  and  $I$  is the identity map, respectively.

We here recall the notion of an  $\eta$ -parallel Ricci tensor  $S$  of  $M$ , which is defined by  $g((\nabla_X S)Y, Z) = 0$  for any  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  orthogonal to  $\xi$ . Also, we consider similarly the  $\eta$ -parallel shape operator  $A$  of  $M$  in  $CH^n$ , which is defined by  $g((\nabla_Y A)Y, Z) = 0$  for any  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  orthogonal to  $\xi$ . Now we state the following theorems without proof for later use.

**THEOREM D([15]).** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Then the Ricci tensor of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel and  $\xi$  is principal if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$ ,  $(A)$  and  $(B)$ .*

**THEOREM E([15]).** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Then the shape operator  $A$  of  $M$  in  $CH^n$  is  $\eta$ -parallel and  $\xi$  is principal if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$ ,  $(A_2)$  and  $(B)$ .*

It is easily seen that if the shape operator is  $\eta$ -parallel, then so is the Ricci tensor, under the condition such that  $\xi$  is principal.

**THEOREM F([3]).** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Then the following are equivalent: (i)  $M$  is locally congruent to one of homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$  and  $(A_2)$ .*

(ii)  $(\nabla_X A)Y = \eta(Y)\phi X + g(\phi X, Y)\xi$  for any  $X, Y \in TM$ .

**PROPOSITION A([17]).** *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  $A\phi X = (\alpha r - 2)/(2r - \alpha)\phi X$ .*

**§ 2. Characterizations of real hypersurfaces of  $CH^n$  in terms of Ricci tensor.**

We have the following

PROPOSITION 1. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$  ( $n \geq 3$ ). If the Ricci tensor  $S$  of  $M$  satisfies for some  $\lambda$*

$$(2.1) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y = \lambda \{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\} \quad \text{for any } X, Y \in TM,$$

*then  $\lambda$  is constant and  $\xi$  is a principal vector.*

PROOF. Suppose that the condition (2.1) holds. First of all we shall show that  $\text{grad } \lambda = 3\lambda\phi A\xi$ . From (2.1), (1.2) and (1.3), we have

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} &(\nabla_W(\nabla_X S))Y - (\nabla_{\nabla_W X} S)Y \\ &= (W \cdot \lambda) \{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\} + \lambda \{\eta(X)g(AW, Y)\xi - 2\eta(Y)g(AW, X)\xi \\ &\quad + g(\phi X, Y)\phi AW + g(\phi AW, Y)\phi X + \eta(X)\eta(Y)AW\}, \end{aligned}$$

from which we get

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} &(\nabla_X(\nabla_W S))Y - (\nabla_{\nabla_X W} S)Y \\ &= (X \cdot \lambda) \{g(\phi W, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi W\} + \lambda \{\eta(W)g(AX, Y)\xi - 2\eta(Y)g(AX, W)\xi \\ &\quad + g(\phi W, Y)\phi AX + g(\phi AX, Y)\phi W + \eta(W)\eta(Y)AX\}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (2.2) and (2.3) that

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} &(R(W, X)S)Y \\ &= (W \cdot \lambda) \{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\} - (X \cdot \lambda) \{g(\phi W, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi W\} \\ &\quad + \lambda \{\eta(X)g(AW, Y)\xi - \eta(W)g(AX, Y)\xi + g(\phi X, Y)\phi AW - g(\phi W, Y)\phi AX \\ &\quad + g(\phi AW, Y)\phi X - g(\phi AX, Y)\phi W + \eta(Y)(\eta(X)AW - \eta(W)AX)\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $R$  is the curvature tensor of  $M$ .

Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{2n-1}$  be local fields of orthonormal vectors on  $M$ . From (2.4) and (1.1), we find

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^{2n-1} g((R(e_i, X)S)Y, e_i) \\ &= (e_i \cdot \lambda) \{g(\phi X, Y)g(\xi, e_i) + \eta(Y)g(\phi X, e_i)\} + \lambda \{\eta(X)g(AY, \xi) - g(AX, Y) \\ &\quad + g(\phi Y, \phi AX) - g(A\phi Y, \phi X) - \eta(Y)g(AX, \xi) + (\text{trace } A)\eta(X)\eta(Y)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Exchanging  $X$  and  $Y$  in (2.5), we see

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{2n-1} g((R(e_i, Y)S)X, e_i) \\ = (e_i \cdot \lambda) \{g(\phi Y, X)g(\xi, e_i) + \eta(X)g(\phi Y, e_i)\} + \lambda \{\eta(Y)g(AX, \xi) - g(AY, X) \\ + g(\phi X, \phi AY) - g(A\phi X, \phi Y) - \eta(X)g(AY, \xi) + (\text{trace } A)\eta(X)\eta(Y)\}.$$

Here we see that

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{the left hand side of (2.5)}) &= \sum g(R(e_i, X)(SY), e_i) - \sum g(R(e_i, X)Y, Se_i) \\ &= g(SX, SY) - \sum g(R(e_i, X)Y, Se_i) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} -\sum g(R(e_i, X)Y, Se_i) &= \sum g(R(X, Y)e_i, Se_i) + \sum g(R(Y, e_i)X, Se_i) \\ &= \text{trace}(S \cdot R(X, Y)) - \sum g(R(e_i, Y)X, Se_i) \\ &= -\sum g(R(e_i, Y)X, Se_i) \end{aligned}$$

that is, the left hand side of (2.5) is symmetric with respect to  $X, Y$ . And hence equations (2.5) and (2.6) yield

$$(2.7) \quad 0 = 2(\xi \cdot \lambda)g(\phi X, Y) + (\phi X \cdot \lambda)\eta(Y) - (\phi Y \cdot \lambda)\eta(X) + 3\lambda \{\eta(X)\eta(AY) - \eta(Y)\eta(AX)\}.$$

Putting  $Y = \phi X$  in (2.7), we get

$$0 = 2(\xi \cdot \lambda)g(\phi X, \phi X) - \{-X \cdot \lambda + \eta(X)\xi \cdot \lambda\}\eta(X) + 3\lambda\eta(X)\eta(A\phi X).$$

Contracting with respect to  $X$  in the above equations, we have

$$4(n-1)(\xi \cdot \lambda) = 0$$

thus

$$\xi \cdot \lambda = 0$$

Putting  $Y = \xi$  in (2.7), we have

$$\phi X \cdot \lambda + 3\lambda \{\eta(X)\eta(A\xi) - \eta(AX)\} = 0.$$

Putting  $X = \phi X$  in above equation, we have

$$X \cdot \lambda = 3\lambda g(\phi A\xi, X),$$

that is,

$$(2.8) \quad \text{grad } \lambda = 3\lambda \phi A\xi.$$

Using (2.8), we can write (2.4) in the following.

$$(2.9) \quad (R(W, X)S)Y = 3\lambda \{g(\phi A\xi, W)(g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X) - g(\phi A\xi, X)(g(\phi W, Y)\xi \\ + \eta(Y)\phi W)\} + \lambda \{\eta(X)g(AW, Y)\xi - \eta(W)g(AX, Y)\xi \\ + g(\phi X, Y)\phi AW - g(\phi W, Y)\phi AX + g(\phi AW, Y)\phi X \\ - g(\phi AX, Y)\phi W + \eta(X)\eta(Y)AW - \eta(W)\eta(Y)AX\}.$$

From (2.9),

$$(2.10) \quad \sum g((R(e_i, X)S)\xi, \phi e_i) = 3(2n-3)\lambda g(\phi A\xi, X),$$

$$(2.11) \quad \sum g((R(e_i, \phi e_i)S)\xi, X) = -6\lambda g(\phi A\xi, X).$$

On the other hand by Gauss equation (1.4), the left hand side of (2.10) is

$$(2.12) \quad \sum g((R(e_i, X)S)\xi, \phi e_i) = 2ng(\phi S\xi, X) - g(A\phi AS\xi, X) + g(AS\phi A\xi, X).$$

Similarly using Gauss equation (1.4), we see that the left hand side of (2.11) is

$$(2.13) \quad \sum g((R(e_i, \phi e_i)S)\xi, X) = 4ng(\phi S\xi, X) - 2g(A\phi AS\xi, X) + 2g(SA\phi A\xi, X)$$

From (2.10) and (2.12), we have

$$(2.14) \quad -3(2n-3)\lambda\phi A\xi = 2n\phi S\xi - A\phi AS\xi + AS\phi A\xi$$

From (2.11) and (2.13), we have

$$(2.15) \quad -3\lambda\phi A\xi = 2n\phi S\xi - A\phi AS\xi + SA\phi A\xi$$

From (2.14) and (2.15), we have

$$(2.16) \quad 6\lambda(2-n)\phi A\xi = AS\phi A\xi - SA\phi A\xi.$$

On the other hand, from (1.6), we have  $SX = -(2n+1)X + 3\eta(X)\xi + hAX - A^2X$  and  $ASX - SAX = 3\eta(X)A\xi - 3\eta(AX)\xi$ . Hence  $AS(\phi A\xi) - SA(\phi A\xi) = 0$ , which, together with (2.16), implies that  $(2-n)\lambda\phi A\xi = 0$ . Therefore if  $n \geq 3$  we conclude that  $\lambda\phi A\xi = 0$ . This, together with (2.8), implies  $\lambda$  is constant. If  $\lambda$  is not non-zero, we have  $\phi A\xi = 0$ , which is equivalent to that  $\xi$  is a principal vector. If  $\lambda = 0$ , then  $\nabla S = 0$ , which is impossible by [4]. Q. E. D.

Using Proposition 1, we have the following

**PROPOSITION 2.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Then the following are equivalent :*

- (1) *The Ricci tensor  $S$  of  $M$  satisfies*  

$$(2.1) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y = \lambda\{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\}$$
*for any  $X, Y \in TM$ , where  $\lambda$  is a function.*
- (2)  *$M$  is locally congruent to one of type the following :*
  - (A<sub>0</sub>) *a horosphere,*
  - (A<sub>1</sub>) *a geodesic hypersphere in  $CH^n$ ,*
  - (A<sub>1</sub>) *a tube over a complex hyperplane  $CH^{n-1}$ .*

**PROOF.** From proposition 1, we know that the  $\xi$  is a principal vector satisfying (1). Moreover, equation (2.1) shows that the Ricci tensor of our real hypersurfaces  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. Therefore Theorem D asserts that  $M$  is one of

the homogeneous real hypersurfaces of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$ ,  $(A_2)$  and (B).

Next we shall check (2.1) for real hypersurfaces above one by one.

Let  $M$  be of type  $(A_0)$ :

Principal curvatures and their multiplicities of type  $(A_0)$  are given by the following table.

principal curvatures	1	2
multiplicities	$2n-2$	1.

The shape operator  $A$  is as

$$(2.17) \quad AX = X + \eta(X)\xi \quad \text{for } X \in TM.$$

Substituting the condition (ii) in Theorem F and (2.17) into (1.7), we can see that our real hypersurface  $M$  satisfies (2.1), that is,

$$(2.18) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y = 2n \{g(\phi X, Y) + \eta(Y)\phi X\}.$$

Let  $M$  be of type  $(A_1)$ :

Setting  $t = \coth(\theta)$ . Then principal curvatures and their multiplicities of type  $(A_1)$  are given by the following table.

principal curvatures	$t$	$t + (1/t)$
multiplicities	$2n-2$	1.

The shape operator  $A$  is as

$$(2.19) \quad AX = tX + (1/t)\eta(X)\xi \quad \text{for } X \in TM.$$

Substituting the condition (ii) in Theorem F and (2.19) into (1.7), we can see that our real hypersurface  $M$  satisfies (2.1), that is,

$$(2.20) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y = 2nt \{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\}.$$

Let  $M$  be of type  $(A'_1)$ :

Setting  $t = \tanh(\theta)$ . Then principal curvatures and their multiplicities of type  $(A'_1)$  are given by the following table.

principal curvatures	$t$	$t + (1/t)$
multiplicities	$2n-3$	1.

By a similar computation we can see that our real hypersurface  $M$  satisfies (2.1), that is,

$$(2.21) \quad (\nabla_X S)Y = 2nt \{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\}.$$

Let  $M$  be of type  $(A_2)$ :



Setting  $t = \tanh(\theta)$ . Then principal curvatures and their multiplicities of type  $(A_2)$  are given by the following table.

principal curvatures	$t$	$(1/t)$	$t + (1/t)$
multiplicities	$2k$	$2(n - k - 1)$	$1$

Now, we put  $k = p$ ,  $n - k - 1 = q$  so,  $p + q = n - 1$ .

Let  $X$  be a principal curvature vector orthogonal to  $\xi$  with principal curvature  $t$ . Note that  $A\phi X = t\phi X$  (cf, proposition A). Substituting the condition (ii) in Theorem F into (1.7), we find

$$(2.22) \quad (\nabla_X S)\phi X = \{(2p + 2)t + 2q(1/t)\} \xi .$$

On the other hand, let  $X$  be a principal curvature vector orthogonal to  $\xi$  with principal curvature  $(1/t)$ . By similar computations we see

$$(2.23) \quad (\nabla_X S)\phi X = \{2pt + (2q + 2)(1/t)\} \xi .$$

From (2.22) and (2.20), we conclude that our manifold does not satisfy (2.1).

Let  $M$  be of type (B):

Setting  $t = \cos^2(2\theta)$ . Then principal curvatures and their multiplicities of type (B) are given by the following table.

principal curvature	$(\sqrt{t} - 1)/(\sqrt{t} + 1)$	$(\sqrt{t} + 1)/(\sqrt{t} - 1)$	$2\sqrt{t} - 1/\sqrt{t}$
multiplicities	$n - 1$	$n - 1$	$1$

We put  $(\sqrt{t} - 1)/(\sqrt{t} + 1) = r_1$ ,  $(\sqrt{t} + 1)/(\sqrt{t} - 1) = r_2$ ,  $2\sqrt{t} - 1/\sqrt{t} = \alpha$ .

From proposition A if  $X$  be a principal curvature vector orthogonal to  $\xi$  with principal curvature  $r_1$ , then  $A\phi X = r_2\phi X$ . With respect to such  $X$ , the next formula (cf. [6])

$$(2.24) \quad (\nabla_X A)\phi X = (\alpha - r_2)r_1\xi$$

being satisfied, we see

$$(2.25) \quad (\nabla_X A)A\phi X = (\alpha - r_2)r_1r_2\xi .$$

With respect to this  $X$ , substituting (2.24) and (2.25) into (1.7), we find

$$(2.26) \quad (\nabla_X S)\phi X = (3 + h \cdot \alpha - h \cdot r_2 - \alpha^2 + r_2^2)r_1\xi .$$

On the other hand, if  $X$  be a corresponding principal curvature vector to principal curvature  $r_2$ , then from proposition A  $A\phi X = r_1\phi X$ . With respect to this  $X$ , the next formula (cf. [6])

$$(2.27) \quad (\nabla_X A)\phi X = (\alpha - r_1)r_2\xi$$

being satisfied, we see

$$(2.28) \quad (\nabla_X A)A\phi X = (\alpha - r_1)r_1r_2\xi.$$

With respect to this  $X$ , substituting (2.27) and (2.28) into (1.7), we find

$$(2.29) \quad (\nabla_X S)\phi X = (3 + h \cdot \alpha - h \cdot r_1 - \alpha^2 + r_1^2)r_2\xi$$

From (2.26) and (2.29) we conclude that our manifold does not satisfy (2.1).

Q. E. D.

Motivated by Proposition 2, we prove the following.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in  $CH^n$ . Then the following inequality hold.*

$$(2.30) \quad \|\nabla S\|^2 \geq 1/(n-1) \{2n(h - \eta(A\xi)) - (\phi A\xi) \cdot h - \text{trace}((\nabla_\xi A)A\phi)\}^2$$

where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of  $M$  and  $h = \text{trace } A$ . Moreover, the equality of (2.30) holds if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A'_1)$  or  $(A_1)$ .

**PROOF.** We define a tensor  $T$  on  $M$  by the following:

$$T(X, Y) = (\nabla_X S)Y - \lambda \{g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X\}.$$

Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{2n-1}$  be local fields of orthonormal vector on  $M$ . Now we calculate the length of  $T$ . From (1.1) we have

$$(2.31) \quad \|T\|^2 = \|\nabla S\|^2 - 4\lambda \sum g((\nabla_{e_i} S)\xi, \phi e_i) + 4(n-1)\lambda^2 \geq 0.$$

Regarding (2.31) as quadratic inequality with respect to  $\lambda$ , we calculate the discriminant of the quadric equation and we have

$$(2.32) \quad 1/(n-1)(\sum g((\nabla_{e_i} S)\xi, \phi e_i))^2 \leq \|\nabla S\|^2.$$

It follows from (1.1), (1.5) and (1.7) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum g((\nabla_{e_i} S)\xi, \phi e_i) \\ &= 3g(\phi Ae_i, \phi e_i) - g(\text{grad } h, \phi A\xi) + h \cdot g((\nabla_{e_i} A)\xi, \phi e_i) \\ & \quad - g(A(\nabla_{e_i} A)\xi, \phi e_i) - g((\nabla_{e_i} A)A\xi, \phi e_i) \\ &= 3g(A\phi e_i, \phi e_i) - g(\text{grad } h, \phi A\xi) + (2n-2) \cdot h - \text{trace}((\nabla_\xi A)A\phi) \\ & \quad - g(A\phi e_i, \phi e_i) - 2\eta(A\xi) + 2g(A\xi, \xi) - (2n-2)\eta(A\xi) \\ &= 2n(h - \eta(A\xi)) - (\phi A\xi) \cdot h - \text{trace}((\nabla_\xi A)A\phi), \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$(2.33) \quad \sum g((\nabla_{e_i} S)\xi, \phi e_i) = 2n(h - \eta(A\xi)) - (\phi A\xi) \cdot h - \text{trace}((\nabla_\xi A)A\phi).$$

Therefore we substitute (2.33) into (2.32) and get inequality (2.30). And, Proposition 2 shows that the equality of (2.30) holds if and only if  $M$  is locally congruent to one of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$  or  $(A'_1)$ . Q. E. D.

**COROLLARY 1** ([4]). *There are no real hypersurfaces with parallel Ricci tensor of complex hyperbolic space  $CH^n$ .*

**PROOF.** From Proposition 2, if  $M$  is not type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$  or  $(A'_1)$ , then  $\|\nabla S\|^2 > 0$ . Thus it follows  $\nabla S \neq 0$ . If  $M$  is type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$  or  $(A'_1)$  then, from  $\phi A = A\phi$ ,  $\phi \xi = 0$  and  $\nabla_\xi A = 0$ ,

$$\|\nabla S\|^2 = 1/(n-1) \{2n(h - \eta(A\xi))\}^2.$$

If  $M$  be of type  $(A_0)$ , then

$$\|\nabla S\|^2 = 16n^2(n-1) > 0.$$

If  $M$  be of type  $(A_1)$ , then

$$\|\nabla S\|^2 = 16n^2(n-1) \coth^2(\theta) > 0.$$

If  $M$  be of type  $(A'_1)$ , then

$$\|\nabla S\|^2 = 16n^2(n-1) \tanh^2(\theta) > 0.$$

Thus, it follows  $\nabla S \neq 0$ .

Q. E. D.

### § 3. Characterizations of real hypersurfaces in $CH^n$ in terms of holomorphic distribution.

Now let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Let  $TCH^n$  and  $TM$  be the tangent bundles of  $CH^n$  and  $M$ , respectively. Let  $T^\circ M$  be a subbundle of  $TM$  defined by  $T^\circ M = \{X \in TM \mid X \perp \xi\}$ . Thus each of  $TM$  and  $T^\circ M$  has a connection induced from  $TCH^n$ . The orthogonal complement of  $T^\circ M$  in  $TM$  with respect to the metric on  $TM$  is denoted by  $N^\circ M$ , which is also a subbundle of  $TM$  with the induced metric connection. Denote by  $\nabla^\circ$  and  $\nabla^\perp$  the connections of  $T^\circ M$  and  $N^\circ M$ , respectively. We have

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X^\circ Y + A^\circ(X, Y) \quad \text{for any } X, Y \in T^\circ M.$$

Let  $A$  be the second fundamental form of  $T^\circ M$  in  $TCH^n$ .  $A$  is a smooth section of  $\text{Hom}(TM, \text{Hom}(T^\circ M, N^\circ M))$ . Set  $A = A|_{T^\circ M}$ . The covariant derivative of  $A$  is defined by

$$(\nabla_X A)(Y, Z) := \nabla_X^\perp(A^\circ(Y, Z)) - A^\circ(\nabla_X Y, Z) - A^\circ(Y, \nabla_X^\circ Z)$$

$$\text{for any } X \in TM, Y, Z \in T^\circ M.$$

Now we prepare without proof the following fundamental relations.

PROPOSITION B ([10]).

$$(i) \quad A^\circ(X, Y) = g(AX, Y)N - g(\phi AX, Y)\xi,$$

$$(ii) \quad \nabla_X^\circ \phi = 0,$$

$$(iii) \quad \nabla_X^\circ \xi = g(AX, \xi)N,$$

$$(iv) \quad \nabla_X^\circ N = -g(AX, \xi)\xi,$$

where  $X, Y \in T^\circ M$ .

PROPOSITION C ([10]). For any  $X, Y, Z \in T^\circ M$ ,

$$(\nabla_X^\circ A^\circ)(YZ) = \Psi(X, Y, Z)N + \Psi(X, Y, \phi Z)\xi,$$

where  $\Psi$  is the trilinear tensor defined by

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

We show the following fundamental result.

PROPOSITION 3. Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Then the following are equivalent:

(i) The holomorphic distribution  $T^\circ M = \{X \in TM \mid X \perp \xi\}$  is integrable,

(ii)  $g((\phi A + A\phi)X, Y) = 0$  for any  $X, Y \in T^\circ M$ .

PROOF. The distribution  $T^\circ M$  is integrable

$$\iff [X, Y] \in T^\circ M \quad \text{for any } X, Y \in T^\circ M$$

$$\iff g([X, Y], \xi) = 0$$

$$\iff g(\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X, \xi) = 0$$

$$\iff g(Y, \phi AX) - g(X, \phi AY) = 0$$

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

Q. E. D.

Recall the definition of  $\eta$ -parallel of  $A$ . We say that  $A^\circ$  is  $\eta$ -parallel if  $\nabla_X^\circ A^\circ \equiv 0$  for any  $X \in T^\circ M$ . Using the notions defined above, we obtained the following result.

THEOREM 2. Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $CH^n$ . Assume that  $A^\circ$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. Then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$ ,  $(A_2)$ , (B)

or a ruled real hypersurface (that is, a real hypersurface in which  $T^\circ M$  is integrable and its integral manifold is totally geodesic  $CH^{n-1}$ .)

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

$$(3.1) \quad g((\nabla_X A)Y, Z) = \eta(AX)g(\phi AY, Z) + \eta(AY)g(\phi AX, Z) + \eta(AZ)g(\phi AX, Y)$$

for any  $X, Y, Z \in T^\circ M$ . Since the Codazzi equation (1.5) tells us that  $g((\nabla_X A)Y, Z)$  is symmetric for any  $X, Y, Z \in T^\circ M$ , exchanging  $X$  and  $Y$  in (3.1), we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad \eta(AZ)g((A\phi + \phi A)X, Y) = 0 \quad \text{for any } X, Y, Z \in T^\circ M.$$

Now we assume that  $\eta(AZ)=0$  for any  $Z \in T^\circ M$ , that is,  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector. Then the equation (3.1) shows that  $g((\nabla_X A)Y, Z)=0$  for any  $X, Y, Z \in T^\circ M$ , that is, the shape operator  $A$  of  $M$  is  $\eta$ -parallel. And hence our real hypersurface  $M$  is locally congruent to one of type  $(A_0)$ ,  $(A_1)$ ,  $(A'_1)$ ,  $(A_2)$  or (B) by Theorem E.

Next, if there exists  $Z \in T^\circ M$  such that  $\eta(AZ) \neq 0$ , that is,  $\xi$  is not a principal curvature vector. Then the equation (3.2) tells us that the holomorphic distribution  $T^\circ M$  is integrable (cf., Proposition 3) and the integral manifold  $M^\circ$  of  $T^\circ M$  is a complex hypersurface in  $CH^n$ . Moreover, the second fundamental form  $A^\circ$  of  $M^\circ$  is parallel. Therefore we conclude that  $M^\circ$  is locally congruent to  $CH^{n-1}$  (cf. [9].) Q. E. D.

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