

## SELF-DUAL AND ANTI-SELF-DUAL HERMITIAN SURFACES

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### 1. Introduction.

Let  $(M, g)$  be a 4-dimensional oriented Riemannian manifold. The star operator  $*$  defined on the space of 2-forms  $\Lambda^2 M$  satisfies  $** = id$ . So  $\Lambda^2 M$  splits into two eigenspaces as  $\Lambda^2 M = \Lambda_+^2 M \oplus \Lambda_-^2 M$ , where  $\Lambda_+^2 M$  and  $\Lambda_-^2 M$  are the eigenspaces corresponding to eigenvalues  $+1$  and  $-1$ , respectively. Let  $W$  be Weyl's conformal curvature tensor of  $g$ . For each point  $p \in M$ , we may regard  $W_p$  as a symmetric linear endomorphism of  $\Lambda_p^2 M$ . And let  $W_+$  (resp.  $W_-$ ) be the restriction of  $W$  to  $\Lambda_+^2 M$  (resp.  $\Lambda_-^2 M$ ). A 4-dimensional oriented Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is called *self-dual* (resp. *anti-self-dual*) if  $W_- = 0$  (resp.  $W_+ = 0$ ). B. Y. Chen proposed the following problem:

*Problem. Classify all self-dual and anti-self-dual Hermitian surfaces.*

B. Y. Chen ([2]) classified compact self-dual Kähler surfaces, thereafter J. P. Bourguignon ([1]) and A. Derdzinski ([3]) reproved it independently by different methods. On one hand, M. Itoh ([5]) gave a classification of compact anti-self-dual Kähler surfaces. Hence in the case of Kähler surfaces, the above problem is completely solved. So it will be in turn a problem to classify self-dual, anti-self-dual Hermitian surfaces. In the present paper, we shall prove the followings

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold. If it is self-dual and Einstein, then it is of pointwise constant holomorphic sectional curvature.*

**THEOREM B.** *A compact Hermitian surface  $M$  is anti-self-dual if and only if  $M$  is a locally conformal Kähler manifold with  $\tau = 3\tau^*$ , where  $\tau$  and  $\tau^*$  denote the scalar curvature and the  $*$ -scalar curvature of  $M$  respectively.*

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## 2. Preliminaries.

Let  $M=(M, J, g)$  be a 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold. We assume that  $M$  is oriented by the volume form  $\frac{1}{2}\Omega^2$ , where  $\Omega$  is the Kähler form defined by  $\Omega(X, Y)=g(X, JY)$  for  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  ( $\mathfrak{X}(M)$  denotes the Lie algebra of all differentiable vector fields on  $M$ ). We denote by  $\nabla, R, \rho, \tau$  and  $W$  the Riemannian connection, the Riemannian curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor, the scalar curvature and the Weyl's conformal curvature tensor of  $M$  respectively. The Riemannian curvature tensor  $R$  and the Weyl's conformal curvature tensor  $W$  are defined respectively by

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y) &= [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y] - \nabla_{[X, Y]}, \\ W(X, Y) &= R(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2}\{AX \wedge Y + X \wedge AY\} + \frac{\tau}{6}X \wedge Y, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A$  denotes a field of symmetric endomorphism which corresponds to the Ricci tensor  $\rho$ , and  $X \wedge Y$  denotes the endomorphism which maps  $Z$  upon  $g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y$ , for  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Furthermore, we denote by  $\rho^*$  and  $\tau^*$  the Ricci \*-tensor and the \*-scalar curvature of  $M$  respectively (cf. [11] p. 367).

Let  $\{e_i\} = \{e_1, e_2 = Je_1, e_3, e_4 = Je_3\}$  be a positively oriented orthonormal basis of the tangent space  $T_pM$  at a point  $p \in M$ , and  $\{e^i\}$  the dual basis. We denote by  $T_p^cM$  the complexification of the tangent space  $T_pM$  ( $p \in M$ ). We put

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} f_1 &= (e_1 - \sqrt{-1}e_2)/\sqrt{2} & f_{\bar{1}} &= (e_1 + \sqrt{-1}e_2)/\sqrt{2}, \\ f_2 &= (e_3 - \sqrt{-1}e_4)/\sqrt{2} & f_{\bar{2}} &= (e_3 + \sqrt{-1}e_4)/\sqrt{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\{f_1, f_2\}$  becomes a unitary basis of  $T_p^cM$ , and its dual basis  $\{f^A\}$  is given by

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} f^1 &= (e^1 + \sqrt{-1}e^2)/\sqrt{2} & f^{\bar{1}} &= (e^1 - \sqrt{-1}e^2)/\sqrt{2}, \\ f^2 &= (e^3 + \sqrt{-1}e^4)/\sqrt{2} & f^{\bar{2}} &= (e^3 - \sqrt{-1}e^4)/\sqrt{2}. \end{aligned}$$

In the sequel, we shall adopt the following notational conventions

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} R_{ijkl} &= g(R(e_i, e_j)e_k, e_l), \\ K_{ABCD} &= g(R(f_A, f_B)f_C, f_D), \\ R_{ij} &= \rho(e_i, e_j), \\ K_{AB} &= \rho(f_A, f_B), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_{ijkl} &= g(W(e_i, e_j)e_k, e_l) \\
 &= R_{ijkl} - \frac{1}{2}\{g_{il}R_{jk} - R_{ik}g_{jl} + R_{il}g_{jk} - g_{ik}R_{jl}\} \\
 &\quad + \frac{\tau}{6}\{g_{il}g_{jk} - g_{ik}g_{jl}\}, \\
 W_{ABCD} &= g(W(f_A, f_B)f_C, f_D),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $i, j, k, l \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $A, B, C, D \in \{1, 2, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$ .

The Weyl's conformal curvature operator (also denoted by  $W$ ) is the symmetric endomorphism of the vector bundle  $A^2M$  defined by

$$g(W(\iota(x) \wedge \iota(y)), \iota(z) \wedge \iota(w)) = -g(W(x, y)z, w)$$

for  $x, y, z, w \in T_pM$ ,  $p \in M$ , where  $\iota$  denotes the duality  $TM \rightarrow T^*M$  (the cotangent bundle of  $M$ ) defined by means of the metric  $g$ .

**3. Self-dual and anti-self-dual Kähler surfaces.**

Since the Weyl's conformal curvature tensor  $W$  is invariant under any conformal change of the Riemannian metric, the notion of self-duality (resp. anti-self-duality) is conformal invariant. On one hand, if  $(M, J, g)$  is a Hermitian surface, then  $(M, J, fg)$  is also a Hermitian surface, for any positive-valued smooth function  $f$  on  $M$ . However, this is not valid for Kähler surfaces. So, the self-duality (resp. anti-self-duality) gives a strong restriction for Kähler surfaces.

We shall recall some results about self-dual, anti-self-dual Kähler surfaces ([1], [2], [3], [5]).

**THEOREM 3.1** ([5]). *Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a Kähler surface. If it is self-dual with respect to the canonical orientation and it is Einstein, then it is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature.*

**THEOREM 3.2** ([5]). *Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a Kähler surface. Then it is anti-self-dual if and only if its scalar curvature vanishes everywhere.*

**4. Curvature conditions.**

First, we shall write the curvature conditions for a 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold to be self-dual. Let  $M$  be a 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold,  $p$  any point of  $M$ ,  $\{e_1, e_2 = Je_1, e_3, e_4 = Je_3\}$  any positively oriented orthonormal basis of  $T_pM$  and  $\{e^i\}$  the dual basis. We take  $\{f_A\}$  and  $\{f^A\}$  as in (2.1) and (2.2) respectively. Then we see easily that  $\{e^1 \wedge e^2 - e^3 \wedge e^4 = \sqrt{-1}(f^1 \wedge f^{\bar{1}} - f^2 \wedge f^{\bar{2}}), e^1 \wedge e^3 - e^4 \wedge e^2 = f^1 \wedge f^{\bar{2}} + f^{\bar{1}} \wedge f^2, e^1 \wedge e^4 - e^2 \wedge e^3 = \sqrt{-1}(f^1 \wedge f^{\bar{2}} - f^{\bar{1}} \wedge f^2)\}$  forms a basis of  $A^2M$  at  $p \in M$ . Thus, by the definition,  $M$  is self-dual if and only if

$$(4.1) \quad W_{1\bar{1}AB} - W_{2\bar{2}AB} = 0, \quad W_{1\bar{2}AB} = W_{1\bar{2}AB} = 0$$

for any  $A$  and  $B$  in  $\{1, 2, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$ . Hence we have

PROPOSITION 4.1. *A 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold is self-dual with respect to the canonical orientation if and only if*

$$(4.2) \quad 12K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}} = \tau, \quad K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{2}} - K_{2\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0, \quad K_{1\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0$$

for any basis  $\{f_A\}$  of  $T_p^c M$  of the form (2.1) at each point  $p \in M$ .

*Proof.* We may see that  $W_{1\bar{1}AB} - W_{2\bar{2}AB} = 0$  for any  $A$  and  $B$  in  $\{1, 2, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$  if and only if  $12K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}} = \tau$ ,  $K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{2}} - K_{2\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0$ , and also that  $W_{1\bar{2}AB} = 0$  for any  $A$  and  $B$  in  $\{1, 2, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$  if and only if  $K_{1\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0$ ,  $K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{2}} - K_{2\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0$ ,  $12K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}} = \tau$ . Q. E. D.

Next, we shall consider a 4-dimensional anti-self-dual almost Hermitian manifold  $(M, J, g)$ . We see easily that  $\{e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4 = \sqrt{-1}(f^1 \wedge f^{\bar{1}} + f^2 \wedge f^{\bar{2}}), e^1 \wedge e^3 + e^4 \wedge e^2 = f^1 \wedge f^2 + f^{\bar{1}} \wedge f^{\bar{2}}, e^1 \wedge e^4 + e^2 \wedge e^3 = -\sqrt{-1}(f^1 \wedge f^2 - f^{\bar{1}} \wedge f^{\bar{2}})\}$  forms a basis of  $\Lambda_+^2 M$  at  $p \in M$ . Thus, by the definition, we see that  $M$  is anti-self-dual if and only if

$$(4.3) \quad W_{1\bar{1}AB} + W_{2\bar{2}AB} = 0, \quad W_{1\bar{2}AB} = W_{1\bar{2}AB} = 0$$

for any  $A$  and  $B$  in  $\{1, 2, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$ .

In contrast with Proposition 4.1, we have easily

PROPOSITION 4.2. *A 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold  $(M, J, g)$  is anti-self-dual with respect to the canonical orientation if and only if*

$$(4.4) \quad \tau = 3\tau^*, \quad K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{2}} + K_{2\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0, \quad K_{1\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0$$

for any basis  $\{f_A\}$  of  $T_p^c M$  of the form (2.1) at each point  $p \in M$ .

*Proof.* The proof is similar to the one of Proposition 4.1. But we will use the followings

$$\begin{aligned} \tau &= 2(K_{1\bar{1}} + K_{2\bar{2}}) = 2(K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{1}} + K_{2\bar{2}2\bar{2}} + 2K_{2\bar{1}1\bar{2}} + 2K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}}), \\ \tau^* &= 2(K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{1}} + K_{2\bar{2}2\bar{2}} + 2K_{1\bar{2}1\bar{2}} + 2K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}}) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\tau^* - \tau = 8K_{1\bar{2}1\bar{2}}$ .

Q. E. D.

## 5. Self-dual almost Hermitian manifolds.

In this section, we shall prove Theorem A. First, we prepare the following result by S. Tanno ([9]).

PROPOSITION. *An almost Hermitian manifold  $(M^m, J, g)$  is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature at  $p \in M$ , if and only if*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &R(e_i, J e_j, J e_k, e_i) + R(e_i, J e_k, J e_j, e_i) + R(e_i, J e_j, J e_i, e_k) \\
 &\quad + R(e_i, J e_i, J e_j, e_k) + R(e_i, J e_k, J e_i, e_j) + R(e_i, J e_i, J e_k, e_j) \\
 &\quad + R(e_j, J e_i, J e_k, e_i) + R(e_j, J e_k, J e_i, e_i) + R(e_j, J e_i, J e_i, e_k) \\
 &\quad + R(e_j, J e_i, J e_i, e_k) + R(e_k, J e_j, J e_i, e_i) + R(e_k, J e_i, J e_j, e_i) \\
 &= 4H(g_{jk}g_{il} + g_{ki}g_{lj} + g_{ji}g_{ik})
 \end{aligned}$$

for any basis  $\{e_i\}_{i=1}^m$  of  $T_pM$ , where  $R(x, y, z, w) = g(R(x, y)z, w)$  for  $x, y, z, w \in T_pM$ .

By (2.1), (2.3) and the above proposition, we have immediately the following

LEMMA 4.3. *A 4-dimensional almost Hermitian manifold  $(M, J, g)$  is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $H$  at a point  $p$  in  $M$ , if and only if*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.1) \quad &K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{1}} = K_{2\bar{2}2\bar{2}} = H, \quad K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{2}} = K_{2\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0, \\
 &K_{1\bar{1}2\bar{2}} + K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}} = H, \quad K_{1\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

for any basis  $\{f_A\}$  of  $T_p^cM$  of the form (2.1).

We are now in a position to prove Theorem A.

We suppose that  $M=(M, J, g)$  is a 4-dimensional self-dual, Einstein almost Hermitian manifold. From  $\rho = \frac{\tau}{4}g$ , by the straightforward calculation, we get

$$(5.2) \quad K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{1}} = K_{2\bar{2}2\bar{2}}, \quad K_{2\bar{1}1\bar{2}} = K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}} = 0, \quad K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{2}} + K_{2\bar{2}1\bar{2}} = 0$$

for any basis  $\{f_A\}$  of  $T_p^cM$  of the form (2.1). By the second equation of (4.2) and the third equation of (5.2), we get the second equation of (5.1). Next, we take any basis  $\{f'_A\}$  of  $T_p^cM$  of the form (2.1). Then we may express  $f'_1 = af_1 + bf_2$ ,  $f'_2 = cf_1 + df_2$  for some  $(a, b, c, d)$  such that  $|a|^2 + |b|^2 = |c|^2 + |d|^2 = 1$ ,  $a\bar{c} + b\bar{d} = 0$ . By taking account of (4.2) [and (5.2), we see easily  $g(R(f'_1, f'_1)f'_1, f'_1) = g(R(f_1, f_1)f_1, f_1)$ . Hence we get the first equation of (5.1). Since  $\tau = 2(K_{1\bar{1}1\bar{1}} + K_{2\bar{2}2\bar{2}} + 2K_{2\bar{1}1\bar{2}} + 2K_{1\bar{2}2\bar{1}})$ , by the first equation of (4.2), we get the third equation of (5.1). The last equation of (5.1) is nothing but the last equation of (4.2). This completes the proof.

Theorem A is a generalization of Theorem 3.1.

### 6. Anti-self-dual Hermitian surfaces.

In this section, we shall prove Theorem B. Let  $M=(M, J, g)$  be a Hermitian surface. We shall make use of the same notational conventions as in § 5. First, we prepare the following result by A. Gray ([4]).

PROPOSITION. *Let  $M$  be a Hermitian manifold. Then we have*

$$(6.1) \quad \begin{aligned} &R(W, X, Y, Z) + R(JW, JX, JY, JZ) - R(JW, JX, Y, Z) \\ &\quad - R(JW, X, JY, Z) - R(JW, X, Y, JZ) - R(W, JX, JY, Z) \\ &\quad - R(W, JX, Y, JZ) - R(W, X, JY, JZ) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for any  $W, X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where  $R(W, X, Y, Z) = g(R(W, X)Y, Z)$ .

LEMMA 6.1. *Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a Hermitian surface. Then we have*

$$K_{1212} = 0.$$

*Proof.* Putting  $W=Y=e_1$  and  $X=Z=e_3$ , we get  $\operatorname{Re}(K_{1212})=0$  ( $\operatorname{Re}(K_{1212})$  denotes the real part of  $K_{1212}$ ). Similarly, putting  $W=Y=e_1$ ,  $X=e_3$  and  $Z=e_4$ , we get  $\operatorname{Im}(K_{1212})=0$  ( $\operatorname{Im}(K_{1212})$  denotes the imaginary part of  $K_{1212}$ ). Thus finally  $K_{1212}=0$ . Q. E. D.

By Proposition 4.2 and Lemma 6.1, we have immediately

PROPOSITION 6.2. *A Hermitian surface  $M=(M, J, g)$  is anti-self-dual if and only if*

$$(6.2) \quad \tau = 3\tau^*, \quad K_{1\bar{1}12} + K_{2\bar{2}12} = 0$$

for any basis  $\{f_A\}$  of  $T_p^c M$  of the form (2.1) at each point  $p \in M$ .

It is well known that the Kähler form  $\Omega$  is integrable in the following sense ([10]),

$$(6.3) \quad d\Omega = \omega \wedge \Omega \quad \text{with } \omega = \delta\Omega \circ J.$$

The 1-form  $\omega$  appeared in (6.3) is called the *Lee form* of  $(J, g)$ . The Lee form  $\omega$  satisfies

$$(6.4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^4 (\nabla_{e_i} \omega)(Je_i) = 0$$

where  $\{e_i\}$  is any orthonormal basis of  $T_p M$  at each  $p \in M$ .

Next, we shall consider the second condition of (6.2). Taking account of the formula by K. Sekigawa ([8]), we have the following

PROPOSITION. *Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a Hermitian surface. Then we have*

$$(6.5) \quad \begin{aligned} &2\{g(R(W, X)JY, Z) + g(R(W, X)Y, JZ)\} \\ &= g(X, Z) \left\{ (\nabla_W \omega)(JY) + \frac{1}{2} \omega(JY) \omega(W) - \frac{1}{2} \Omega(W, Y) \|\omega\|^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -g(W, Z)\left\{(\nabla_x \omega)(JY) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(JY)\omega(X) - \frac{1}{2}\Omega(X, Y)\|\omega\|^2\right\} \\
 & -g(X, Y)\left\{(\nabla_w \omega)(JZ) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(JZ)\omega(W) - \frac{1}{2}\Omega(W, Z)\|\omega\|^2\right\} \\
 & +g(W, Y)\left\{(\nabla_x \omega)(JZ) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(JZ)\omega(X) - \frac{1}{2}\Omega(X, Z)\|\omega\|^2\right\} \\
 & +\Omega(X, Z)\left\{(\nabla_w \omega)(Y) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(W)\omega(Y)\right\} \\
 & -\Omega(W, Z)\left\{(\nabla_x \omega)(Y) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(X)\omega(Y)\right\} \\
 & -\Omega(X, Y)\left\{(\nabla_w \omega)(Z) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(W)\omega(Z)\right\} \\
 & +\Omega(W, Y)\left\{(\nabla_x \omega)(Z) + \frac{1}{2}\omega(X)\omega(Z)\right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $W, X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

LEMMA 6.3.  $K_{1112} + K_{2212} = 0$  if and only if  $d\omega$  is an anti-self-dual 2-form.

*Proof.* Taking account of (2.2) and (2.3), we see easily that  $K_{1112} + K_{2212} = 0$  if and only if

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6.6) \quad & R_{1214} + R_{1223} + R_{3414} + R_{3423} = 0, \\
 & R_{1213} - R_{1224} + R_{3413} - R_{3424} = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

But, from the above proposition, we may see that (6.6) holds if and only if

$$\begin{aligned}
 (6.7) \quad & (\nabla_{e_1} \omega)(e_4) - (\nabla_{e_4} \omega)(e_1) + (\nabla_{e_2} \omega)(e_3) - (\nabla_{e_3} \omega)(e_2) = 0, \\
 & (\nabla_{e_1} \omega)(e_3) - (\nabla_{e_3} \omega)(e_1) + (\nabla_{e_4} \omega)(e_2) - (\nabla_{e_2} \omega)(e_4) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (6.4) and (6.7), we may easily show that the 2-form  $d\omega$  is anti-self-dual.

Q. E. D.

From Proposition 6.2 and Lemma 6.3, we have

PROPOSITION 6.4. A Hermitian surface  $M=(M, J, g)$  is anti-self-dual if and only if

$$(6.8) \quad \tau = 3\tau^*, \quad d\omega \text{ is an anti-self-dual 2-form.}$$

If the Lee form  $\omega$  of  $(J, g)$  is closed (i.e.  $d\omega=0$ ), then a 4-dimensional Hermitian manifold  $(M, J, g)$  is a locally conformal Kähler manifold. We are now in a crucial position to prove Theorem B.

We assume that  $M$  is an anti-self-dual compact Hermitian surface. Then, from (6.7), we have

$$(d\omega, d\omega) = \int_M d\omega \wedge *(d\omega) = \int_M d\omega \wedge (-d\omega) = -\int_M d(\omega \wedge d\omega) = 0.$$

So,  $(d\omega, d\omega) = 0$ . Hence  $d\omega = 0$ .

Conversely, if  $M$  is a locally conformal Kähler manifold with  $\tau = 3\tau^*$ , then  $d\omega$  is anti-self-dual 2-form. So, from Proposition 6.4,  $M$  is anti-self-dual. This completes the proof of Theorem B.

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