

ON (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -STRUCTURE

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§0. Introduction.

Yano and Okumura [7] have defined (f, g, u, v, λ) -structure on an even dimensional differentiable manifold. We see that hypersurfaces of an almost contact metric manifold and submanifolds of codimension 2 of an almost Hermitian manifold admit an (f, g, u, v, λ) -structure.

Yano, Ishihara, Okumura and Yamaguchi have studied submanifolds of codimension 2 of an almost contact manifold. These submanifolds admit another structure. we call such a structure an $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure. If the ambient space is an almost contact metric manifold, the submanifolds admit what we call an (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

The main purpose of the present paper is to study the (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure and to give some properties valid in manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

In §1, we define and discuss $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure and (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

In §2, we study submanifolds of codimension 2 of an almost contact Riemannian manifold as example of the manifold with (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

In §3, we study submanifolds of codimension 3 of an almost Hermitian manifold as another example of the manifold with (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

In §4, we prove that a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying $de = w$ is a normal contact Riemannian manifold or a manifold with f -structure.

In §5, we find some properties valid in manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying $du = w$ and $dv = \phi w$, and we prove that the vectors U and V define infinitesimal conformal transformations under certain conditions.

The last §6 is devoted to prove two theorems which characterize odd dimensional sphere.

§1. (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

Let M be an m -dimensional differentiable manifold of class C^∞ , we assume that there exist on M a tensor field f of type $(1, 1)$, vector fields E, U and V , 1-forms e, u and v , and a function λ satisfying the conditions:

$$(1.1) \quad f^2 X = -X + e(X)E + u(X)U + v(X)V$$

for any vector field X ,

$$(1.2) \quad e \circ f = 0, \quad fE = 0,$$

$$(1.3) \quad u \circ f = \lambda v, \quad fU = -\lambda V,$$

$$(1.4) \quad v \circ f = -\lambda u, \quad fV = \lambda U,$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad e(E) = 1, \quad e(U) = 0, \quad e(V) = 0,$$

$$(1.6) \quad u(E) = 0, \quad u(U) = 1 - \lambda^2, \quad u(V) = 0,$$

$$(1.7) \quad v(E) = 0, \quad v(U) = 0, \quad v(V) = 1 - \lambda^2.$$

In this case, we say that the manifold has an $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure. Example of the manifold with $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure will be given in §2 and §3.

Moreover, in M with $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure, if there exists a positive definite Riemannian metric g such that

$$(1.8) \quad g(X, E) = e(X), \quad g(X, U) = u(X), \quad g(X, V) = v(X),$$

and

$$(1.9) \quad g(fX, fY) = g(X, Y) - e(X)e(Y) - u(X)u(Y) - v(X)v(Y)$$

for any vector fields X and Y of M , then we call such a structure a metric $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure and denote it sometimes by (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

First of all, we prove

LEMMA 1.1. *Let $M' = \{P | \lambda(P) \neq 1\}$. Then the three vector fields E , U and V are linearly independent on M' .*

Proof. Since $\lambda \neq 1$, from (1.5), (1.6) and (1.7), we see that the vector fields E , U and V are non-zero. If there are three numbers a, b and c such that

$$aE + bU + cV = 0,$$

then evaluating e, u and v at the above equation, we have respectively

$$e(aE + bU + cV) = a = 0,$$

$$u(aE + bU + cV) = b(1 - \lambda^2) = 0,$$

and

$$v(aE + bU + cV) = c(1 - \lambda^2) = 0,$$

from which we have $a = b = c = 0$. Thus E, U and V are linearly independent.

LEMMA 1.2. *Let $M_0 = \{P | \lambda(P) = 0\}$. Then $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is an f -structure on M_0 .*

Proof. Since $\lambda = 0$, from (1.5), (1.6) and (1.7), we have

$$(1.10) \quad fE = 0, \quad fU = 0, \quad fV = 0,$$

from which and Lemma 1.1, we see that the rank of matrix (f) is $m - 3$.

Operating f to (1.1) and using (1.10), we get

$$f^3X + fX = 0$$

for any vector field X on M_0 . Thus f define an f -structure of rank $m - 3$ on M_0 , which is defined by Yano [5].

PROPOSITION 1.3. *A differentiable manifold with $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is of odd dimension.*

Proof. If the vector fields E, U and V are linearly independent, then there are two

cases:

$$1) u \neq 0, \quad v \neq 0, \quad 2) u = 0, \quad v = 0.$$

We consider the first case. In this case, 1-forms e, u and v are linearly independent. We see that the manifold with (f, U, V, u, v, λ) -structure is even dimensional [7]. Thus the manifold with $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is odd dimensional.

We consider the second case. From (1.5), we see that E is a non-zero vector and e is a non-zero 1-form, then from (1.1) we get

$$f^2 X = -X + e(X)E,$$

for any vector X . Thus the manifold M is odd dimensional.

Next, if the vector fields E, U and V are linearly dependent, then U and V are both zero vectors. For, if there are two numbers a and b such that

$$aU + bV = 0, \quad a^2 + b^2 \neq 0,$$

then operating f to the above equation and using (1.3), (1.4), we get

$$bU - aV = 0.$$

Comparing the two equations, we have $U = V = 0$. Then the $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is an almost contact structure. Thus the manifold M is odd dimensional.

PROPOSITION 1.4. Let w be a tensor field of type $(0, 2)$ of M defined by

$$(1.11) \quad w(X, Y) = g(fX, Y)$$

for any vector field X of M . Then w is a 2-form.

Proof. By the definition of w and (1.9), we get

$$\begin{aligned} w(fX, fY) &= g(fX, Y) - e(fX)e(Y) - u(fX)u(Y) - v(fX)v(Y) \\ &= w(X, Y) - \lambda v(X)u(Y) + \lambda u(X)v(Y). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using (1.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w(fX, fY) &= g(f^2 X, fY) = -g(X, fY) + e(X)e(fY) + u(X)u(fY) + v(X)v(fY) \\ &= -w(Y, X) + \lambda u(X)v(Y) - \lambda v(X)u(Y). \end{aligned}$$

Comparing the two equations above, we have

$$(1.12) \quad w(X, Y) = -w(Y, X).$$

DEFINITION. The structure $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ is said to be *normal* if the Nijenhuis tensor N of f satisfies

$$(1.13) \quad S(X, Y) = N(X, Y) + 2de(X, Y)E + 2du(X, Y)U + 2dv(X, Y)V = 0$$

for any vector fields X and Y of M .

We consider a product manifold $M \times R^3$, where R^3 is a 3-dimensional Euclidean space. Then, $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure gives rise to an almost complex structure J on $M \times R^3$. For, if we put

$$(1.14) \quad (J) = \begin{pmatrix} f & E & U & V \\ -e & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -u & 0 & 0 & -\lambda \\ -v & 0 & \lambda & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

then we can easily find that $J^2 = -I$, where I is unit matrix.

If an almost complex structure J is integrable, then the Nijenhuis tensor of J vanishes identically, that is,

$$[JX, JY] - J[JX, Y] - J[X, JY] - [X, Y] = 0$$

for any vector fields X and Y of $M \times R^3$. In this case, from (1.14) we can easily prove that $S(X, Y) = 0$. Thus we have

PROPOSITION 1.5. *If J is integrable, then $(f, E, U, V, e, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure is normal.*

§2. Example I.

In this section, we study submanifold of codimension 2 of an almost contact Riemannian manifold as example of the manifold with (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

Let M be a $(2n+1)$ -dimensional differentiable manifold with an almost contact metric structure (ϕ, ξ, η, G) such that

$$(2.1) \quad \phi^2 \bar{X} = -\bar{X} + \eta(\bar{X})\xi,$$

$$(2.2) \quad \phi\xi = 0, \quad \eta(\phi\bar{X}) = 0, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1.$$

$$(2.3) \quad \eta(\bar{X}) = G(\xi, \bar{X}),$$

$$(2.4) \quad G(\phi\bar{X}, \phi\bar{Y}) = G(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) - \eta(\bar{X})\eta(\bar{Y}),$$

for any vector fields \bar{X} and \bar{Y} on M .

If in an almost contact Riemannian manifold the tensor defined by

$$(2.5) \quad S(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) = N(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) + d\eta(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})\xi,$$

vanishes identically, the structure is said to be normal and the manifold M is called a normal contact Riemannian manifold. In a normal contact Riemannian manifold we have the following identities for any vectors \bar{X} and \bar{Y}

$$(2.6) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_{\bar{X}}\eta)(\bar{Y}) = G(\phi\bar{X}, \bar{Y}).$$

$$(2.7) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_{\bar{X}}\phi)\bar{Y} = \eta(\bar{Y})\bar{X} - G(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})\xi,$$

where $\bar{\nabla}$ denotes the covariant differentiation with respect to G .

Let M be a $(2n-1)$ -dimensional submanifold imbedded in M with imbedding map $i: M \rightarrow \bar{M}$. Let i_* be the differential of i and \bar{X} the corresponding vector field for any vector field X on M , that is, $\bar{X} = i_*X$. Then the induced metric g on M is given by

$$(2.8) \quad g(X, Y) = G(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M . We assume that the vector field ξ belong to the tangent space of $i(M)$, then there exist a tangent vector field E and an 1-form e on M such that

$$(2.9) \quad \xi = \bar{E}, \quad e(X) = \eta(\bar{X}).$$

It is easy to see [1] that we can define a tensor field f of type $(1, 1)$, the vector fields U and V , 1-forms u and v , and scalar field λ on M by

$$(2.10) \quad \phi\bar{X} = f\bar{X} + u(X)C + v(X)D,$$

$$(2.11) \quad \phi C = -\bar{U} + \lambda D, \quad \phi D = -\bar{V} - \lambda C,$$

where C and D are two mutually orthogonal unit vectors of \bar{M} normal to $i(M)$.

Operating (2.10) with ϕ and taking account of (2.1) and (2.11), we get

$$(2.12) \quad f^2 X = -X + e(X)E + u(X)U - v(X)V,$$

$$(2.13) \quad u(fX) = \lambda v(X), \quad v(fX) = -\lambda u(X).$$

Similarly, we have from (2.11)

$$(2.14) \quad fU = -\lambda V, \quad fV = \lambda U.$$

$$(2.15) \quad u(U) = v(V) = 1 - \lambda^2, \quad u(V) = v(U) = 0.$$

From (2.2) and (2.9), we get

$$(2.16) \quad e(E) = 1, \quad e(fX) = 0,$$

$$(2.17) \quad fE = 0, \quad e(U) = 0, \quad e(V) = 0.$$

On the other hand, substituting (2.10) into the equation (2.4), we obtain

$$(2.18) \quad g(fX, fY) = g(X, Y) - e(X)e(Y) - u(X)u(Y) - v(X)v(Y).$$

Equations (2.12) ~ (2.18) show that a submanifold of codimension 2 of an almost contact Riemannian manifold admits a (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

Let ∇ be the covariant differentiation with respect to g on M . Then the equations of Gauss and Weingarten are given by

$$(2.19) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X \bar{Y} = \overline{\nabla_X Y} + h(X, Y)C + k(X, Y)D,$$

$$(2.20) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X C = -\overline{HX} + l(X)D, \quad \bar{\nabla}_X D = -\overline{KX} - l(X)C,$$

where h and k are the second fundamental tensors and l the third fundamental tensor and H and K are tensors of type $(1, 1)$ such that

$$h(X, Y) = g(HX, Y), \quad k(X, Y) = g(KX, Y).$$

Now differentiating (2.10) covariantly on the submanifold M , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\nabla}_X \phi) \bar{Y} + \phi[\overline{\nabla_X Y} + h(X, Y)C + k(X, Y)D] \\ = (\nabla_X f) \bar{Y} + f(\nabla_X \bar{Y}) - u(Y)\overline{HX} - v(Y)\overline{KX} + [u(\nabla_X Y) + (\nabla_X u)(Y) + h(X, fY) \\ - v(Y)l(X)]C + [v(\nabla_X Y) + (\nabla_X v)(Y) + k(X, Y) + u(Y)l(X)]D. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if \bar{M} is a normal contact Riemannian manifold, then from (2.7) and (2.9) we have

$$(2.21) \quad (\nabla_X f)Y = e(Y)X - g(X, Y)E - h(X, Y)U - k(X, Y)V + u(Y)HX + v(Y)KX,$$

$$(2.22) \quad (\nabla_X u)(Y) = -\lambda k(X, Y) - h(X, fY) + v(X)l(Y),$$

$$(2.23) \quad (\nabla_X v)(Y) = \lambda h(X, Y) - k(X, fY) - u(X)l(Y).$$

Differentiating (2.6) covariantly and using (2.9), we get

$$(\nabla_X e)(Y) + e(\nabla_X Y) = G(\phi \bar{X}, \bar{Y}) + \gamma[\overline{\nabla_X Y} + h(X, Y)C + k(X, Y)D]$$

from which

$$(2.24) \quad (\nabla_X e)(Y) = w(X, Y).$$

Substituting (2.21) ~ (2.24) into the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} S(X, Y) = f(\nabla_Y f)X - f(\nabla_X f)Y + (\nabla_{fX} f)Y - (\nabla_{fY} f)X + [(\nabla_X e)Y - (\nabla_Y e)X]E \\ + [(\nabla_X u)Y - (\nabla_Y u)X]U + [(\nabla_X v)Y - (\nabla_Y v)X]V \end{aligned}$$

we find

$$(2.25) \quad S(X, Y) = u(Y)(Hf + fH)X - u(X)(Hf + fH)Y$$

$$+v(Y)(Kf+fK)X-v(X)(Kf+fK)Y \\ + (v(X)l(Y)-v(Y)l(X))U+(u(Y)l(X)-u(X)l(Y))V.$$

Now, we assume that the connection of normal bundle of M is flat. Then we can choose two locally unit vector fields C and D in such a way that the 1-form l vanishes identically. In this case, if f anti-commute with H and K , that is,

$$(2.26) \quad Hf+fH=0, \quad Kf+fK=0,$$

then we get $S(X, Y)=0$. Thus we have

PROPOSITION 2.1. *Let M be a submanifold of codimension 2 of a normal contact Riemannian manifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat. If the vector field ξ is tangent to M and f anti-commute with H and K , then M admits a normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.*

If the submanifold M is a totally geodesic, then $H=K=0$. Hence we have

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let M be a totally geodesic submanifold of codimension 2 of a normal contact Riemannian manifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat. If the vector field ξ is tangent to M everywhere, then M admits a normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.*

For a totally umbilical submanifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat, we have

$$h(X, Y)=\alpha g(X, Y), \quad k(X, Y)=\beta g(X, Y), \quad l(X)=0$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M , where α and β are scalar functions. And consequently (2.22) and (2.23) become

$$(2.27) \quad (\nabla_X u)(Y)=\alpha w(X, Y)-\lambda \beta g(X, Y),$$

and

$$(2.28) \quad (\nabla_X v)(Y)=\beta w(X, Y)+\lambda \alpha g(X, Y),$$

respectively. From (2.27) and (2.28),

we get

$$(2.29) \quad (\nabla_X u)(Y)+(\nabla_Y u)(X)=-2\lambda \beta g(X, Y).$$

and

$$(2.30) \quad (\nabla_X v)(Y)+(\nabla_Y v)(X)=2\lambda \alpha g(X, Y).$$

Thus we have

PROPOSITION 2.3. *Let M be a totally umbilical submanifold of codimension 2 of a normal contact Riemannian manifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat. If the vector field ξ is tangent to M and λ is an almost everywhere non-zero function, then the vector fields U and V define infinitesimal conformal transformations.*

§3. Example II

In this section, we study submanifolds of codimension 3 of an almost Hermitian manifold as example of the manifold with (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

Let M be a $(2n+2)$ -dimensional almost Hermitian manifold and let (F, G) be the

almost Hermitian structure such that

$$(3.1) \quad F^2 \bar{X} = -\bar{X},$$

$$(3.2) \quad G(F\bar{X}, F\bar{Y}) = G(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}),$$

for any vector fields \bar{X} and \bar{Y} on \bar{M} .

Let M be a $(2n-1)$ -dimensional submanifold imbedded in \bar{M} with imbedding map $i: M \rightarrow \bar{M}$. Let i_* be the differential of i and X the corresponding vector field for any vector field X on M , that is, $\bar{X} = i_* X$. Then the induced metric g on M is given by

$$(3.3) \quad g(X, Y) = G(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}),$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M .

We can define a tensor field f of type $(1, 1)$, the vector fields E, U and V , 1-forms e, u and v , and scalar functions λ_{ij} such that $\lambda_{ij} = -\lambda_{ji}$ ($i, j = 1, 2, 3$) on M by

$$(3.4) \quad F\bar{X} = f\bar{X} + e(X)N_1 + u(X)N_2 + v(X)N_3,$$

$$(3.5) \quad FN_1 = -\bar{E} + \lambda_{12}N_2 + \lambda_{13}N_3,$$

$$(3.6) \quad FN_2 = -\bar{U} - \lambda_{12}N_1 + \lambda_{23}N_3,$$

$$(3.7) \quad FN_3 = -\bar{V} - \lambda_{13}N_1 - \lambda_{23}N_2,$$

where N_1, N_2 and N_3 are three mutually orthogonal unit vectors of M normal to $i(M)$.

Operating (3.4) with F and taking account of (3.1), (3.5), (3.6) and (3.7), we get

$$(3.8) \quad f^2 X = -X + e(X)E + u(X)U + v(X)V,$$

$$(3.9) \quad e(fX) = \lambda_{12}u(X) + \lambda_{13}v(X), \quad u(fX) = -\lambda_{12}e(X) + \lambda_{23}v(X),$$

$$v(fX) = -\lambda_{13}e(X) - \lambda_{23}u(X),$$

or

$$(3.10) \quad e \circ f = \lambda_{12}u + \lambda_{13}v, \quad u \circ f = -\lambda_{12}e + \lambda_{23}v, \quad v \circ f = -\lambda_{13}e - \lambda_{23}u.$$

Operating F to (3.5), (3.6) and (3.7) respectively, we find

$$(3.11) \quad fE = -\lambda_{12}U - \lambda_{13}V, \quad fU = \lambda_{12}E - \lambda_{23}V, \quad fV = \lambda_{13}E + \lambda_{23}U,$$

$$(3.12) \quad e(E) = 1 - \lambda_{12}^2 - \lambda_{13}^2, \quad e(U) = -\lambda_{13}\lambda_{23}, \quad e(V) = -\lambda_{12}\lambda_{23},$$

$$(3.13) \quad u(E) = -\lambda_{13}\lambda_{23}, \quad u(U) = 1 - \lambda_{12}^2 - \lambda_{23}^2, \quad u(V) = -\lambda_{12}\lambda_{13},$$

$$(3.14) \quad v(E) = -\lambda_{12}\lambda_{23}, \quad v(U) = -\lambda_{12}\lambda_{13}, \quad v(V) = 1 - \lambda_{13}^2 - \lambda_{23}^2,$$

If we put

$$(3.14) \quad \lambda_{12} = \lambda_{13} = 0, \quad \lambda_{23} = \lambda,$$

then we have from (3.10) - (3.14)

$$(3.10)' \quad e \circ f = 0, \quad u \circ f = \lambda v, \quad v \circ f = -\lambda u,$$

$$(3.11)' \quad fE = 0, \quad fU = -\lambda V, \quad fV = \lambda U,$$

$$(3.12)' \quad e(E) = 1, \quad e(U) = 0, \quad e(V) = 0,$$

$$(3.13)' \quad u(E) = 0, \quad u(U) = 1 - \lambda^2, \quad u(V) = 0,$$

$$(3.14)' \quad v(E) = 0, \quad v(U) = 0, \quad v(V) = 1 - \lambda^2,$$

respectively. Equations (3.8) and (3.10)' - (3.14)' shows that a submanifold of

codimension 3 of an almost Hermitian manifold admits a (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

Next, let ∇ be the covariant differentiation with respect to g on M . Then the equations of Gauss and Weingarten are given by

$$(3.15) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X \bar{Y} = \overline{\nabla_X Y} + h_1(X, Y) N_1 + h_2(X, Y) N_2 + h_3(X, Y) N_3,$$

$$(3.16) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X N_1 = -\overline{H_1 X} - l_{12}(X) N_2 - l_{13}(X) N_3,$$

$$(3.17) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X N_2 = -\overline{H_2 X} + l_{12}(X) N_1 - l_{23}(X) N_3,$$

$$(3.18) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X N_3 = -\overline{H_3 X} + l_{13}(X) N_1 + l_{23}(X) N_2,$$

where H_i are the second fundamental tensors corresponding to N_i respectively, and l_{ij} are the third fundamental tensors.

Differentiating $G(Y, N_i) = 0$ covariantly, we get

$$G(\bar{\nabla}_X Y, N_i) + G(\bar{Y}, \bar{\nabla}_X N_i) = 0.$$

Substituting (3.15)–(3.18) into the above equation, we get

$$(3.19) \quad h_i(X, Y) = g(H_i X, Y).$$

Differentiating (3.4) covariantly, we find

$$\begin{aligned} & (\bar{\nabla}_X F) \bar{Y} + F(\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{Y}) + h_1(X, Y) N_1 + h_2(X, Y) N_2 + h_3(X, Y) N_3 \\ &= (\overline{\nabla_X F}) \bar{Y} + \overline{F(\nabla_X Y)} - e(Y) \overline{H_1 X} - u(Y) \overline{H_2 X} - v(Y) \overline{H_3 X} \\ &+ (h_1(X, fY) + (\nabla_X e) Y + e(\nabla_X Y) + u(Y) l_{12}(X) + v(Y) l_{13}(X)) N_1 \\ &+ (h_2(X, fY) + (\nabla_X u) Y + u(\nabla_X Y) - e(Y) l_{12}(X) + v(Y) l_{23}(X)) N_2 \\ &+ (h_3(X, fY) + (\nabla_X v) Y + v(\nabla_X Y) - e(Y) l_{13}(X) - u(Y) l_{23}(X)) N_3. \end{aligned}$$

If M is a Kaehlerian manifold, that is, if $\bar{\nabla}_X F = 0$, that we have

$$(3.20) \quad (\nabla_X f) Y = e(Y) H_1 X + u(Y) H_2 X + v(Y) H_3 X - h_1(X, Y) E \\ - h_2(X, Y) U - h_3(X, Y) V,$$

$$(3.21) \quad (\nabla_X e) Y = -h_1(X, fY) - u(Y) l_{12}(X) - v(Y) l_{13}(X),$$

$$(3.22) \quad (\nabla_X u) Y = -\lambda h_3(X, Y) - h_2(X, fY) + e(Y) l_{12}(X) - v(Y) l_{23}(X),$$

$$(3.23) \quad (\nabla_X v) Y = \lambda h_2(X, Y) - h_3(X, fY) + e(Y) l_{13}(X) + u(Y) l_{23}(X).$$

Substituting (3.20)–(3.23) into $S(X, Y)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.24) \quad S(X, Y) &= e(Y) (H_1 f - f H_1) X - e(X) (H_1 f - f H_1) Y + u(Y) (H_2 f - f H_2) X \\ &- u(X) (H_2 f - f H_2) Y + v(Y) (H_3 f - f H_3) X - v(X) (H_3 f - f H_3) Y \\ &+ (u(X) l_{12}(Y) + v(X) l_{13}(Y) - u(Y) l_{12}(X) - v(Y) l_{13}(X)) E \\ &+ (e(Y) l_{12}(X) - v(Y) l_{23}(X) - e(X) l_{12}(Y) + v(X) l_{23}(Y)) U \\ &+ (e(Y) l_{13}(X) + u(Y) l_{23}(X) - e(X) l_{13}(Y) - u(X) l_{23}(Y)) V. \end{aligned}$$

If the connection of normal bundle of M is flat, then we can choose N_1, N_2 and N_3 in such a way that the 1-forms l_{ij} vanish identically. In this case, if f commute with H_i , that is,

$$(3.25) \quad H_i f - f H_i = 0, \quad (i=1, 2, 3)$$

then we get $S(X, Y) = 0$. Thus we have

PROPOSITION 3.1. *Let M be a submanifold of codimension 3 of Kählerian manifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat. If f commute with H_i ($i=1, 2, 3$)*

and $\lambda_{12}=\lambda_{13}=0$, $\lambda_{23}=\lambda$ in (3.5)-(3.6), then M admits a normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

If M is a totally umbilical submanifold, then f commute with H_i . Thus we have

COROLLARY 3.2. *Let M be a totally umbilical submanifold of codimension 3 of a Kählerian manifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat. If $\lambda_{12}=\lambda_{13}=0$ and $\lambda_{23}=\lambda$ in (3.5)-(3.7), then M admits a normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.*

For a totally umbilical submanifold whose connection induced in the normal bundle is flat, we can choose unit normal vectors N_i ($i=1, 2, 3$) in such a way that

$$h_i(X, Y) = h_i g(X, Y), \quad l_{ij} = 0, \quad (i, j=1, 2, 3)$$

and consequently (3.21), (3.22) and (3.23) become

$$(3.26) \quad (\nabla_X e) Y = h_1 w(X, Y).$$

$$(3.27) \quad (\nabla_X u) Y = h_2 w(X, Y) - h_3 g(X, Y).$$

$$(3.28) \quad (\nabla_X v) Y = h_3 w(X, Y) + h_2 g(X, Y).$$

respectively. These equations give

$$(3.29) \quad (\nabla_X e) Y + (\nabla_Y e) X = 0,$$

$$(3.30) \quad (\nabla_X u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) X = -2\lambda h_3 g(X, Y),$$

$$(3.31) \quad (\nabla_X v) Y + (\nabla_Y v) X = 2\lambda h_2 g(X, Y),$$

which show that E defines an infinitesimal motion and U, V define infinitesimal conformal transformations respectively.

§4. Manifold (I) with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure.

In this section, we study a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying certain condition.

Let M be a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure. The structure being normal, we have

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} S(X, Y) &= (\nabla_{fX} f) Y - (\nabla_{fY} f) X + f(\nabla_Y f) X - f(\nabla_X f) Y \\ &\quad + 2de(X, Y)E + 2du(X, Y)U + 2dv(X, Y)V = 0. \end{aligned}$$

We first prove

LEMMA 4.1. *In a manifold M with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure, we have*

$$(4.2) \quad de(X, Y) = de(fX, fY),$$

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} 2du(X, Y) &= 2du(fX, fY) - \lambda(dv(fX, Y) + dv(X, fY)) - ((\nabla_{fX}\lambda)v(Y) \\ &\quad - (\nabla_{fY}\lambda)v(X) - \lambda((\nabla_X\lambda)u(Y) - (\nabla_Y\lambda)u(X))), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} 2dv(X, Y) &= 2dv(fX, fY) + \lambda(du(fX, Y) + du(X, fY)) + ((\nabla_{fX}\lambda)u(Y) \\ &\quad - (\nabla_{fY}\lambda)u(X) - \lambda((\nabla_X\lambda)v(Y) - (\nabla_Y\lambda)v(X))). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Substituting (4.1) into $g(S(X, Y), E) = 0$, we have

$$g((\nabla_{fX} f) Y, E) - g((\nabla_{fY} f) X, E) + 2de(X, Y) = 0,$$

or

$$-g(fY, \nabla_{fX}E) + g(fX, \nabla_{fY}E) + 2de(X, Y) = 0,$$

from which we have

$$-(\nabla_{fX}e)fY + (\nabla_{fY}e)fX + 2de(X, Y) = 0,$$

from which we have (4.2).

Next, substituting (4.1) into $g(S(X, Y), U) = 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &g((\nabla_{fX}f)Y, U) - g((\nabla_{fY}f)X, U) + \lambda(g((\nabla_Yf)X, V) \\ &\quad - g((\nabla_Xf)Y, V)) + 2(1-\lambda^2)du(X, Y) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} &(\nabla_{fX}\lambda)g(Y, V) + \lambda g(Y, \nabla_{fX}V) - g(fY, \nabla_{fX}U) - (\nabla_{fY}\lambda)g(X, V) - g(X, \nabla_{fY}V) \\ &\quad + g(fX, \nabla_{fY}U) - \lambda((\nabla_Y\lambda)g(X, U) + \lambda g(X, \nabla_YU) + g(fX, \nabla_YV)) \\ &\quad + \lambda((\nabla_X\lambda)g(Y, U) + g(Y, \nabla_XU) + g(fY, \nabla_XV)) \\ &\quad + 2(1-\lambda^2)du(X, Y) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$\begin{aligned} &\lambda(g(Y, \nabla_{fX}V) - g(fX, \nabla_YV) - g(X, \nabla_{fY}V) + g(fY, \nabla_XV)) - 2du(fX, fY) \\ &\quad + 2du(X, Y) + (\nabla_{fX}\lambda)g(Y, V) - (\nabla_{fY}\lambda)g(X, V) \\ &\quad + \lambda((\nabla_X\lambda)g(Y, U) - (\nabla_Y\lambda)g(X, U)) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

from which we have (4.3).

Similarly, computing $g(S(X, Y), V) = 0$, from (4.1) we have (4.4).

In a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure, we put the condition

$$(4.5) \quad de(X, Y) = w(X, Y).$$

As we have seen in the preceding section, for a submanifold of codimension 2 of a normal contact Riemannian manifold, we have

$$(\nabla_Xe)Y = w(X, Y),$$

and consequently the condition (4.5) is always satisfied.

LEMMA 4.2. *Let M be a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying (4.5). Then we have $\lambda=0$ or $\lambda^2=1$.*

Proof. Substituting (4.5) into (4.2) and taking account of (1.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} w(X, Y) &= w(fX, fY) = -g(X, fY) + u(X)u(fY) + v(X)v(fY) \\ &= w(X, Y) + \lambda[u(X)v(Y) - v(X)u(Y)]. \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$\lambda[u(X)v(Y) - v(X)u(Y)] = 0.$$

Now putting $X=U$ and $Y=V$, we have

$$\lambda(1-\lambda^2)u=0,$$

from which we have $\lambda=0$ or $\lambda^2=1$.

PROPOSITION 4.3. *Let M be a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying*

(4.5). Then the manifold is either an almost normal contact Riemannian manifold or a manifold with f -structure of rank $(2n-2)$.

Proof. M being a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying (4.5). From Lemma 4.1, we have $\lambda^2=1$ or $\lambda=0$.

If $\lambda^2=1$, then $u(U)=v(V)=0$, and $U=V=0$. Thus we have

$$f^2X = -X + e(X)E.$$

Hence the manifold M is a normal contact Riemannian manifold.

If $\lambda=0$, then the vector fields U and V are unit vectors. From (1.3) and (1.4) we have

$$(4.6) \quad fU=0, \quad fV=0.$$

Operating f to (1.1) and using (4.6), we have

$$(4.7) \quad f^3X = -fX.$$

from which we have $f^3+f=0$ and rank of f is $2n-2$. Thus normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure is an f -structure of rank $2n-2$.

§ 5. Manifold (II) with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure

In this section, we assume that

$$(5.1) \quad du(X, Y) = w(X, Y).$$

and

$$(5.2) \quad dv(X, Y) = \phi w(X, Y).$$

where ϕ is a differentiable function.

LEMMA 5.1. Let M be a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying (5.1) and (5.2). If the function $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$ is almost everywhere non-zero, then we have

$$(5.3) \quad \nabla_V \lambda = -(1-\lambda^2),$$

$$(5.4) \quad \nabla_U \lambda = \phi(1-\lambda^2).$$

Proof. Substituting $X=U$ and $Y=V$ into (4.3), we get

$$2du(U, V) = 2du(fU, fV) - \lambda(dv(fU, V) + dv(U, fV)) - (1-\lambda^2)(\nabla_{fU}\lambda) + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)(\nabla_V\lambda),$$

from which, using (1.3)

$$(5.5) \quad 2(1-\lambda^2)du(U, V) - 2\lambda(1-\lambda^2)(\nabla_V\lambda) = 0.$$

On the other hand, from (5.1) we get

$$(5.6) \quad du(U, V) = w(U, V) = g(fU, V) = -\lambda(1-\lambda^2).$$

Substituting (5.6) into (5.5), we have

$$-2\lambda(1-\lambda^2)^2 - 2\lambda(1-\lambda^2)(\nabla_V\lambda) = 0,$$

from which we have (5.3).

Similarly, Substituting $X=U$ and $Y=V$ into (4.4), we have (5.4).

LEMMA 5.2. Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 5.1, we have

$$(5.7) \quad \nabla_X \lambda = \phi u(X) - v(X).$$

Proof. From (4.3), (5.1) and (5.2), we get

$$2w(X, Y) = 2w(fX, fY) - (\nabla_{fX} \lambda) v(Y) + (\nabla_{fY} \lambda) v(X) - \lambda (\nabla_X \lambda) u(Y) + \lambda (\nabla_Y \lambda) u(X),$$

or

$$2\lambda(u(X)v(Y) - v(X)u(Y)) - (\nabla_{fX} \lambda) v(Y) + (\nabla_{fY} \lambda) v(X) - \lambda (\nabla_X \lambda) u(Y) + \lambda (\nabla_Y \lambda) u(X).$$

Replacing X by U in the last equation, we find

$$2\lambda(1-\lambda^2)v(Y) + \lambda(\nabla_Y \lambda)v(Y) - \lambda(\nabla_U \lambda)u(Y) + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)(\nabla_Y \lambda) = 0,$$

from which, substituting (5.3) and (5.4),

$$2\lambda(1-\lambda^2)v(Y) - \lambda(1-\lambda^2)v(Y) - \phi\lambda(1-\lambda^2)u(Y) + \lambda(1-\lambda^2)(\nabla_Y \lambda) = 0,$$

which proves (5.7).

LEMMA 5.3. *Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 5.1, ϕ is constant.*

Proof. Differentiating (5.7) covariantly, we have

$$g(\nabla_Y \nabla \lambda, X) = (\nabla_Y \phi)u(X) + \phi(\nabla_Y u)X - (\nabla_Y v)X.$$

Replacing X by Y in the last equation, and subtracting the original one, we have

$$(\nabla_Y \phi)u(X) - (\nabla_X \phi)u(Y) + \phi((\nabla_Y u)X - (\nabla_X u)Y) - ((\nabla_Y v)X - (\nabla_X v)Y) = 0,$$

from which, using (5.1) and (5.2)

$$(\nabla_Y \phi)u(X) = (\nabla_X \phi)u(Y).$$

which implies that

$$(5.8) \quad \nabla_X \phi = \alpha u(X),$$

for some scalar function α .

Differentiating (5.8) covariantly, we get

$$g(\nabla_Y \nabla \phi, X) = (\nabla_Y \alpha)u(X) + \alpha(\nabla_Y u)X.$$

Replacing X by Y in the last equation, we get

$$(\nabla_Y \alpha)u(X) - (\nabla_X \alpha)u(Y) + \alpha((\nabla_Y u)X - (\nabla_X u)Y) = 0,$$

from which, using (5.1),

$$(5.9) \quad 2\alpha w(X, Y) = (\nabla_Y \alpha)u(X) - (\nabla_X \alpha)u(Y).$$

Thus we have $\alpha = 0$ because the rank of w is almost everywhere maximum. This shows that ϕ is constant.

LEMMA 5.4. *Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 5.1, we have*

$$(5.10) \quad (\nabla_X u)U + (\nabla_U u)X = -2\lambda\phi u(X),$$

and

$$(5.11) \quad (\nabla_X v)V + (\nabla_V v)X = 2\lambda v(X).$$

Proof. Differentiating $u(U) = 1 - \lambda^2$ covariantly and using (5.7), we find

$$2(\nabla_X u)U = -2\lambda(\phi u(X) - v(X)).$$

Substituting this into

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\nabla_X u)U &= (\nabla_X u)U + (\nabla_U u)X + (\nabla_X u)U - (\nabla_U u)X \\ &= (\nabla_X u)U + (\nabla_U u)X + 2\lambda v(X), \end{aligned}$$

we find

$$-2\lambda(\phi u(X) - v(X)) = (\nabla_X u)U + (\nabla_U u)X + 2\lambda v(X),$$

from which we have (5.10).

Similarly, we can prove (5.11).

LEMMA 5.5. *Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 5.1, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} (5.12) \quad (\nabla_Z w)(fY, X) - (\nabla_Z w)(fX, Y) &= -e(X)(\nabla_Y e)Z + e(Y)(\nabla_X e)Z \\ &\quad - u(X)(\nabla_Y u)Z + u(Y)(\nabla_X u)Z - v(X)(\nabla_Y v)Z + v(Y)(\nabla_X v)Z. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since $w(X, Y)$ is given by

$$2w(X, Y) = (\nabla_X u)Y - (\nabla_Y u)X,$$

we have $dw=0$, that is,

$$(5.13) \quad (\nabla_Z w)(X, Y) + (\nabla_X w)(Y, Z) + (\nabla_Y w)(Z, X) = 0.$$

On the other hand, computing $g(S(X, Y), Z) = 0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_{fX} w)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_{fY} w)(X, Z) + w((\nabla_Y f)X, Z) - w((\nabla_X f)Y, Z) \\ + 2de(X, Y)e(Z) + 2du(X, Y)u(Z) + 2dv(X, Y)v(Z) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

from which, using (5.13),

$$\begin{aligned} -(\nabla_Y w)(Z, fX) - (\nabla_Z w)(fX, Y) + (\nabla_X w)(Z, fY) + (\nabla_Z w)(fY, X) \\ + w((\nabla_Y f)X, Z) - w((\nabla_X f)Y, Z) + 2de(X, Y)e(Z) + 2du(X, Y)u(Z) \\ + 2dv(X, Y)v(Z) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_Z w)(fY, X) - (\nabla_Z w)(fX, Y) - \nabla_Y w(Z, fX) + \nabla_X w(Z, fY) + w(\nabla_Y Z, fX) \\ + w(Z, f(\nabla_Y X)) - w(\nabla_X Z, fY) - w(Z, f(\nabla_X Y)) + 2de(X, Y)e(Z) \\ + 2du(X, Y)u(Z) + 2dv(X, Y)v(Z) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting

$$w(Z, fX) = g(X, Z) - e(X)e(Z) - u(X)u(Z) - v(X)v(Z),$$

we find

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_Z w)(fY, X) - (\nabla_Z w)(fX, Y) - e(Y)(\nabla_X e)Z + e(X)(\nabla_Y e)Z - u(Y)(\nabla_X u)Z \\ + u(X)(\nabla_Y u)Z - v(Y)(\nabla_X v)Z = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which proves (5.12).

LEMMA 5.6. *Under the same assumptions as those in Lemma 5.1, we have*

$$(5.14) \quad (\nabla_Z u)Y + (\nabla_Y u)Z = -2\lambda\phi g(Z, Y) + 2((\nabla_Z u)E + \lambda\phi e(Z))e(Y),$$

$$(5.15) \quad (\nabla_Z v)Y + (\nabla_Y v)Z = 2\lambda g(Z, Y) + 2((\nabla_Z v)E - \lambda e(Z))e(Y).$$

Proof. Substituting U for X and using (1.3), we get

$$(\nabla_Z w)fY, U) - (\nabla_Z w)fU, Y) = e(Y)(\nabla_U e)Z - (1 - \lambda^2)(\nabla_Y u)Z$$

$$+u(Y) (\nabla_U u) Z + v(Y) (\nabla_U v) Z,$$

from which

$$(5.14) \quad \begin{aligned} & \nabla_Z w(fY, U) - \nabla_Z w(fU, Y) + w((\nabla_Z f) U, Y) - w((\nabla_Z f) Y, U) \\ & + e(Y) (\nabla_U e) Z - (1-\lambda^2) (\nabla_Y u) Z + u(Y) (\nabla_U u) Z + v(Y) (\nabla_U v) Z. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, from (1.12) we find

$$(5.15) \quad \nabla_Z w(fY, U) = \nabla_Z w(fU, Y),$$

and using (1.4)

$$(5.16) \quad \begin{aligned} w((\nabla_Z f) U, Y) &= -g(fY, (\nabla_Z f) U) \\ &= g(fY, (\nabla_Z \lambda) V) + \lambda g(fY, \nabla_Z V) + g(fY, f(\nabla_Z U)). \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating

$$g(fU, fY) = -\lambda v(fY) = \lambda^2 u(Y)$$

covariantly, we have

$$(5.17) \quad w((\nabla_Z f) Y, U) = -g(fY, (\nabla_Z \lambda) V) - \lambda g(fY, \nabla_Z V) - \lambda^2 (\nabla_Z u) Y.$$

Substituting (5.15), (5.16) and (5.17) into (5.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\lambda (\nabla_Z v) fY + (\nabla_Z u) Y + e(Y) (\nabla_Z e) U - u(Y) (\nabla_Z u) U + v(Y) (\nabla_Z v) U + \lambda^2 (\nabla_Z u) Y \\ & = e(Y) (\nabla_U e) Z - (1-\lambda^2) (\nabla_Y u) Z + u(Y) (\nabla_U u) Z + v(Y) (\nabla_U v) Z, \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\lambda (\nabla_Z v) fY + (\nabla_Z u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) Z + \lambda^2 ((\nabla_Z u) Y - (\nabla_Y u) Z) \\ & = e(Y) ((\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U) + u(Y) ((\nabla_U u) Z + (\nabla_Z u) U) + v(Y) ((\nabla_U v) Z - (\nabla_Z v) U), \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\lambda (\nabla_Z v) fY + ((\nabla_Z u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) Z) + 2\lambda^2 w(Z, Y) \\ & = e(Y) ((\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U) + u(Y) ((\nabla_U u) Z + (\nabla_Z u) U) + 2\phi v(Y) w(U, Z). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\nabla_Z v) fY &= ((\nabla_Z v) fY + (\nabla_{fY} v) Z) + ((\nabla_Z v) fY - (\nabla_{fY} v) Z) \\ &= (\nabla_Z v) fY + (\nabla_{fY} v) Z + 2\phi w(Z, fY), \end{aligned}$$

and (5.10) into the equation above, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda ((\nabla_Z v) fY + (\nabla_{fY} v) Z) + 2\lambda \phi (g(Y, Z) - e(Y) e(Z) - u(Y) u(Z) - v(Y) v(Z)) \\ & + ((\nabla_Z u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) Z) + 2\lambda^2 w(Z, Y) \\ & = e(Y) ((\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U) - 2\lambda \phi u(Y) u(Z) + 2\lambda \phi v(Y) v(Z), \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$(5.18) \quad \begin{aligned} & (\nabla_Z u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) Z = \lambda ((\nabla_Z v) fY + (\nabla_{fY} v) Z) - 2\lambda \phi g(Z, Y) - 2\lambda^2 w(Z, Y) \\ & + 2\lambda \phi e(Y) e(Z) + e(Y) ((\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$(5.19) \quad \begin{aligned} & (\nabla_Z v) Y + (\nabla_Y v) Z = \lambda ((\nabla_Z u) fY + (\nabla_{fY} u) Z) + 2\lambda g(Z, Y) - 2\lambda^2 \phi w(Z, Y) \\ & - 2\lambda e(Y) e(Z) + e(Y) ((\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (5.19) into (5.18) and using (5.10), we obtain

$$(5.20) \quad (1-\lambda^2) (\nabla_Z u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) Z = -2\lambda(1-\lambda^2) \phi g(Z, Y) - 2\lambda^3 \phi v(Y) v(Z) \\ - \lambda^2 v(Y) (\nabla_Z u) V + (\nabla_V u) Z \\ + (1-\lambda^2) (\nabla_V e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U + 2\lambda \phi e(Z) e(Y).$$

On the other hand, substituting E for Y in (5.18), we get

$$(5.21) \quad (\nabla_Z u) E + (\nabla_E u) Z = (\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U,$$

and taking account of (5.1),

$$2du(Z, E) = (\nabla_Z u) E - (\nabla_E u) Z = 0,$$

from which, (5.21) is written by

$$(5.22) \quad 2(\nabla_Z u) E = (\nabla_U e) Z - (\nabla_Z e) U.$$

Substituting V for Y in (5.20), we obtain

$$(5.23) \quad (\nabla_Z u) V + (\nabla_V u) Z = -2\nabla_{\phi v}(Z).$$

Consequently, substituting (5.22) and (5.23) into (5.20), we have (5.14). And substituting (5.14) into (5.19), we have (5.15).

If we put

$$(5.24) \quad e(\nabla_Z U) = -\lambda \phi e(Z), \quad e(\nabla_Z V) = \lambda e(Z),$$

in (5.14) and (5.15), we have respectively

$$(5.25) \quad (\nabla_Z u) Y + (\nabla_Y u) Z = -2\lambda \phi g(Z, Y),$$

$$(5.26) \quad (\nabla_Z v) Y + (\nabla_Y v) Z = 2\lambda g(Z, Y).$$

Equations (5.25) and (5.26) show that the vector fields U and V define infinitesimal conformal transformations respectively.

In this case, using (5.1) and (5.2), we have

$$(5.27) \quad (\nabla_Z u) Y = -\lambda \phi g(Z, Y) + w(Z, Y),$$

$$(5.28) \quad (\nabla_Z v) Y = \lambda g(Z, Y) + \phi w(Z, Y).$$

Thus we have

PROPOSITION 5.7. *Let M be a manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying (5.1), (5.2) and (5.24). If the function $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$ is almost everywhere non-zero, then the vector fields U and V define infinitesimal conformal transformations respectively.*

§6. Odd dimensional spheres

We prove

THEOREM 6.1. *Let M be a complete manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying (5.1), (5.2) and (5.24). If the function $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$ is almost everywhere non-zero, then M is isometric with an odd dimensional sphere.*

Proof. Differentiating (5.7) covariantly, we have

$$g(\nabla_Y(\nabla \lambda), X) = \phi(\nabla_Y u) X - (\nabla_Y v) X$$

ϕ being a constant, from which, using (5.14) and (5.15),

$$(6.1) \quad g(\nabla_Y(\nabla \lambda), X) = -(1+\phi^2) \lambda g(X, Y).$$

Thus, by means of Obata's theorem, M is isometric with a sphere.

Next, we prove

THEOREM 6.2. *Let M be a complete manifold with normal (f, g, e, u, v, λ) -structure satisfying (5.24) and*

$$(6.2) \quad (\nabla_X u) Y = w(X, Y).$$

If $\lambda(1-\lambda^2)$ is almost everywhere non-zero, then M is an odd dimensional sphere.

Proof. Differentiating $u(U) = 1 - \lambda^2$ covariantly, we have

$$(\nabla_X u) U = -\lambda \nabla_X \lambda,$$

from which, substituting Y for U in (6.2), we get

$$(6.3) \quad \nabla_X \lambda = -v(X).$$

This shows that

$$(6.4) \quad (\nabla_X v) Y - (\nabla_Y v) X = 0.$$

Equation (6.2) shows that

$$(6.5) \quad (\nabla_X u) Y - (\nabla_Y u) X = 2w(X, Y).$$

Equations (6.4) and (6.5) satisfy the equations (5.1) and (5.2) respectively, and consequently M is isometric with an odd dimensional sphere.

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