

## Generic Submanifolds Satisfying the Cartan Condition of an Odd-Dimensional Sphere

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### 0. Introduction

A submanifold  $M$  of a Sasakian manifold  $M^{2m+1}$  is called a *generic* (an *antiholomorphic*) if the normal space  $N_p(M)$  of  $M$  at any point  $p \in M$  is mapped into the tangent space  $T_p(M)$  by action of the structure tensor  $F$  of the ambient manifold  $M^{2m+1}$ , that is,  $FN_p(M) \subset T_p(M)$  for each point  $p \in M$ .

The main purpose of the present paper is to study complete generic submanifolds of an odd-dimensional sphere  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  which hold Cartan condition.

In characterizing the submanifolds, we shall use the following Theorem A.

**Theorem A** ([7]). *Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional complete generic submanifold with flat normal connection of an odd-dimensional unit sphere  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  and let the Sasakian structure vector defined on  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  be tangent to  $M$ . If the mean curvature vector of  $M$  is parallel in the normal bundle and if the structure induced on  $M$  is normal, then  $M$  is*

$$S^{p_1}(r_1) \times \cdots \times S^{p_N}(r_N),$$

where  $p_1, \dots, p_N$  are odd numbers  $\geq 1$ ,  $r_1^2 + \cdots + r_N^2 = 1$ ,  $N = 2m + 1 - n$ ,  $S^p(r)$  being  $p$ -dimensional sphere with radius  $r > 0$ .

### 1. Preliminaries

Let  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  be a  $(2m+1)$ -dimensional unit sphere covered by a system of coordinate neighborhoods  $\{U : y^h\}$  and  $(F_j^h, G_{ji}, V^h)$  the set of structure tensor of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$ , that is,  $F_j^h$  being the Sasakian structure tensor of type  $(1, 1)$ ,  $G_{ji}$  the Riemannian metric tensor of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  and  $V^h$  the Sasakian structure vector, in the sequel, the indices  $h, i, j$  and  $k$  run over the range  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, (2m+1)\}$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold covered by a system of coordinate neighborhoods  $\{V : x^a\}$  and isometrically immersed in  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  by the immersion  $i : M \rightarrow S^{2m+1}(1)$ . We identify  $i(M)$  with  $M$  itself and represent the immersion locally by  $y^h = y^h(x^a)$ , throughout this paper the indices  $a, b, c, d$  and  $e$  run over the range  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . If we put  $B_a^h = \partial_a y^h$ ,  $\partial_a = \partial / \partial x^a$ , then  $B_a^h$  are  $n$  linearly independent vectors of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  tangent to  $M$ .

Denoting by  $g_{cb}$  the fundamental metric tensor of  $M$ , we have

$$g_{cb} = B_c^j B_b^i G_{ji}, \tag{1.1}$$

because the immersion is isometric. We represent by  $C_x^h$  ( $p = 2m + 1 - n$ ) mutually orthogonal unit normals to  $M$ . Then  $G_{ji} B_b^j C_x^i = 0$  and  $G_{ji} C_x^j C_y^i = g_{xy}$ ,  $g_{xy}$  being the fundamental metric tensor of

the normal bundle. In what follows we denote by  $p$  the codimension of  $M$  and the indices  $x, y, z, u, v$  and  $w$  run over the range  $\{1^*, 2^*, \dots, p^*\}$ .

We now assume that  $M$  is generic submanifold of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$ , we can put in each coordinate neighborhood

$$F_i^h B_b^i = f_b^a B_a^h - f_b^x C_x^h, \quad F_i^h C_x^i = f_x^a B_a^h, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $f_b^a$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$  defined on  $M$ ,  $f_c^x$  a local 1-form for each fixed index  $x$  and  $f_x^a = f_c^y g^{ca} g_{yx}$ . Also we can put the Sasakian structure vector  $V^h$  of the form

$$V^h = f^a B_a^h + f^x C_x^h, \quad (1.3)$$

$f^a$  and  $f^x$  being vector fields defined on  $M$  and normal bundle of  $M$  respectively.

Now applying the operator  $F$  to (1.2) and (1.3) and using the definition of the Sasakian structure tensor, we easily verify that ((3), [4], [5], [6], [7])

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f_c^e f_e^a &= -\delta_c^a + f_c^x f_x^a + f_c f^a, & f_c^e f_e^x &= -f_c f^x, \\ f_e^e f_e^a &= -f^x f_x^a, & f_x^e f_e^y &= \delta_x^y - f_x f^y, & f_e f^e + f_x f^x &= 1, \\ f_e^e f_e^y &= 0, & g_{de} f_c^d f_b^e &= g_{cb} - f_c^x f_{bx} - f_c f_b, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1.4)$$

where  $f_c = f^e g_{ce}$  and  $f_x = f^y g_{yx}$ .

Denoting by  $\nabla_c$  the operator of van der Waerden-Borotolotti covariant differentiation with respect to the Christoffel symbols formed with  $g_{cb}$ , it well known that ((3), [4], [5])

$$\nabla_c f_b^a = -g_{cb} f^a + \delta_c^a f_b + h_{cb}^x f_x^a - h_c^a x f_b^x, \quad (1.5)$$

$$\nabla_c f_b^x = g_{cb} f^x + h_{ce}^x f_b^e, \quad (1.6)$$

$$\nabla_c f_b = f_{cb} + h_{cb}^x f_x, \quad (1.7)$$

$$\nabla_c f^x = -f_c^x - h_{ce}^x f^e, \quad (1.8)$$

$$h_{ce} x f^e y = h_{ce}^y f_x^e, \quad (1.9)$$

where  $h_{cb}^x$  is the second fundamental tensor of  $M$  and  $h_c^a x = h_{cb}^y g_{yx} g^{ba}$ ,  $(g^{ba}) = (g_{ba})^{-1}$ .

The aggregate  $(f_c^a, g_{cb}, f_c^x, f^a, f^x)$  satisfying (1.4) is said to be *normal (partially integrable)* if

$$h_{ce}^x f_b^e + h_{be}^x f_c^e = 0, \quad (1.10)$$

$$f_c^e \nabla_e f_b^x - f_b^e \nabla_e f_c^x - (\nabla_c f_b^e - \nabla_b f_c^e) f_e^x - (\nabla_c f_b - \nabla_b f_c) f^x = 0 \quad (1.11)$$

hold respectively ((3), [4], [6]).

Since  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  is unit sphere, the equations of Gauss, Codazzi and Ricci are respectively

$$K_{dcb}^a = \delta_d^a g_{cb} - \delta_c^a g_{db} + h_d^a x h_{cb}^x - h_c^a x h_{db}^x, \quad (1.12)$$

$$\nabla_d h_{cb}^x - \nabla_c h_{db}^x = 0, \quad (1.13)$$

$$K_{dcy}^x = h_d^e x h_c^e y - h_{ce}^x h_d^e y, \quad (1.14)$$

$K_{dcb}^a$  and  $K_{dcy}^x$  being curvature tensor of  $M$  and the normal connection of  $M$  respectively. We have from (1.12)

$$K_{cb} = (n-1)g_{cb} + h_x h_{cb}^x - h_{ce}^x h_b^e x, \quad (1.15)$$

$K_{cb}$  being the Ricci tensor of  $M$ .

A submanifold  $M$  holds Cartan condition if it satisfies

$$\nabla_d \nabla_c K_{ba} - \nabla_c \nabla_d K_{ba} = 0. \quad (1.16)$$

If  $K_{dcy}^x = 0$ , that is,

$$h_{de}^x h_c^e y = h_{re}^x h_d^e y, \quad (1.17)$$

then the normal connection of  $M$  is said to be *flat*.

## 2. Tangential generic submanifolds of an odd-dimensional sphere

In this section we assume that the generic submanifold  $M$  of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  is tangent to the structure vector field  $V^h$ , then we have

$$h_{ce}{}^x f^e = -f^x. \quad (2.1)$$

Transvecting (1.15) with  $f^c$  and using (2.1), we have

$$K_{be} f^e = (n-1)f_b + h_{be}{}^x f_x^e - h_x f_b^x. \quad (2.2)$$

Differentiating (2.2) covariantly along  $M$  and substituting (1.6) and (1.7), we get

$$(\nabla_c K_{be}) f^e + K_{be} f_c^e = (n-1)f_{cb} + (\nabla_c h_{be}{}^x) f_x^e + h_{be}{}^x h_{ca} f^{ea} - (\nabla_c h_x) f_b^x + h_x h_{ce}{}^x f_b^e. \quad (2.3)$$

Differentiating (2.3) covariantly and taking the skew-symmetric part, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & K_{db} f_c - K_{cb} f_d - K_{be} (h_d^e{}^x f_c^x - h_c^e{}^x f_d^x) \\ &= (n-1)(g_{db} f_c - g_{cb} f_d - h_{db}{}^x f_{cx} + h_c^e{}^x f_d^x) \\ & \quad - (g_{cb} h_{de}{}^x f_x^e - g_{db} h_{ce}{}^x f_x^e + h_d^a{}^y h_{cb}{}^y h_{ae}{}^x f_x^e - h_c^a{}^y h_{db}{}^y h_{ae}{}^x f_x^e) \\ & \quad + (g_{cb} h_x f_d^x - g_{db} h_x f_c^x + h_x h_{cb}{}^y h_{de}{}^x f_y^e - h_x h_{db}{}^y h_{ce}{}^x f_y^e) \end{aligned}$$

because of (1.9), (1.13), (1.16) and (1.17).

Transvecting the last equation with  $f^c$  and taking the symmetric part with respect to the indices  $d$  and  $b$ , we have

$$K_{db} = (n-p-1)g_{db} + (h_x - P_x)h_{db}{}^x,$$

where  $P_x = h_{cb}{}^y f_y^c f_x^b$ .

Comparing this with (1.15), we have

$$h_{de}{}^x h_b^e{}^x = P_x h_{db}{}^x + p g_{db}. \quad (2.4)$$

Transvecting this with  $f^b$  and using (2.1), we get

$$h_{de}{}^x f_x^e = P_x f_d^x - p f_d. \quad (2.5)$$

First of all, we prove

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $M$  be a generic submanifold with flat normal connection of an odd-dimensional unit sphere and let the Sasakian structure vector defined on  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  be tangent to  $M$ . If  $M$  holds Cartan condition, then the induced structure on  $M$  is normal.*

**Proof.** Computing the length of square of  $\nabla_c f_b^x + \nabla_b f_c^x$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla_c f_b^x + \nabla_b f_c^x\|^2 &= \|\nabla_c f_b^x\|^2 + (\nabla_c f_b^x)(\nabla^b f_x^c) \\ &= h_{cb}{}^x h^{cb}{}_x - h_x P^x - n p \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

with the aid of (1.4), (1.6), (2.1) and (2.5).

Substituting (2.4) into (2.6), we have

$$\nabla_c f_b^x + \nabla_b f_c^x = 0.$$

Thus,  $h_{ce}{}^x f_b^e + h_{be}{}^x f_c^e = 0$  holds because of (1.6). This complete the proof of the lemma.

According to Theorem A and Lemma 2.1, we conclude

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional complete generic submanifold with flat normal connection of an odd-dimensional unit sphere  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  and let the Sasakian structure vector field defined on  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  be tangent to  $M$ . If the mean curvature vector of  $M$  is parallel in the normal bundle and*

$M$  holds Cartan condition, then  $M$  is

$$S^{p_1}(r_1) \times \cdots \times S^{p_N}(r_N)$$

where  $p_1, \dots, p_N$  are odd numbers  $\geq 1$ ,  $r_1^2 + \cdots + r_N^2 = 1$ ,  $N = 1m + 1 - n$ .

### 3. Generic submanifolds with partially integrable structure of $S^{2m+1}(1)$

In this section we assume that the induced structure on  $M$  is partially integrable, then we have from (1.11)

$$(h_{cey}f^{ex})f_b^y = (h_{bey}f^{ex})f_c^y + f_c^x f_b^y - f_b^x f_c^y. \quad (3.1)$$

Transvecting (3.1) with  $f_z^b$  and using (1.4), we find

$$h_{cez}f^{ex} - (h_{cey}f^y)f^{ex}f_z = P_{zy}^x f_c^y - \delta_z^x f_c^y + f_z f^x f_c^y, \quad (3.2)$$

where

$$P_{zy}^x = h_{bey}f^{ex}f_z^b,$$

from which, transvecting  $f^z$ ,

$$(1 - \rho^2)(h_{cey}f^y)f^{ex} = P_{zy}^x f_z^y - (1 - \rho^2)f^x f_c^y \quad (3.3)$$

where  $\rho^2 = f_x f^x$ .

Substituting this into (3.2), we find

$$(1 - \rho^2)h_{cez}f^{ex} = -(1 - \rho^2)\delta_z^x f_c^y + [(1 - \rho^2)P_{zy}^x + f_z P_{ywx}^x]f_c^y. \quad (3.4)$$

Putting  $P_{zyx} = P_{zy}^w g_{wx}$ , then  $P_{zyx}$  is symmetric for any index because of (1.9) and (3.3). If we take the skew-symmetric part with respect to the indices  $x$  and  $z$  and use (1.9), then we obtain from (3.4)

$$(f_x P_{ywx} f^w - f_x P_{ywx} f^w)f_c^y = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

If the function  $1 - \rho^2$  does not vanish on  $M$ , then (2.4) give

$$h_{ce^x} f_y^e = R_{yz}^x f_c^z - \delta_y^x f_c^z, \quad (3.6)$$

$$R_{yzz} = P_{yzz} + 1/(1 - \rho^2) f_z P_{ywx} f^w.$$

Transvecting (3.5) with  $f_u^e$  and  $f_a^e$  respectively and taking account of (1.4), we find

$$(f_x P_{ywx} - f_x P_{ywx})f^w = 0,$$

this mean that  $R_{yxx}$  is symmetric for any index.

**Lemma 3.1** ([3], [6]). *Let  $M$  be a generic submanifold with flat normal connection of an odd-dimensional unit sphere  $S^{2m+1}(1)$ . If the induced structure on  $M$  is partially integrable and the function  $1 - f_x f^x$  does not vanish almost everywhere, then we have  $f^x = 0$  or  $p = 1$ .*

**Proof.** Since the normal connection of  $M$  is flat, by transvecting (1.17) with  $f_z^e$  and making use of (3.6), we get

$$(R_{wz}^x R_{vy}^w - R_{wyz} R_v^{xw})f_a^v = \delta_z^x (h_{dey}f^e) - g_{yz} (h_{de^x}f^e). \quad (3.7)$$

Transvecting (3.7) with  $f^u f_u^d$  and using (1.4) and (2.6), we get

$$(R_{wz}^x R_{vy}^w - R_{wyz} R_v^{xw})f^v = g_{yz} f^x - \delta_z^x f_y. \quad (3.8)$$

If we transvect (3.7) with  $f_x$  and using (3.6),

$$g_{yz} f^x (h_{dex}f^e + f_{dx}) = f_z (h_{dey}f^e + f_{dy}), \quad (3.9)$$

from which, contract with respect to  $y$  and  $z$

$$(p - 1)(h_{dex}f^e + f_{dx}) = 0.$$

the last two relationships give

$$\rho^2(h_{dey}f^e + f_{dy})(p-1) = 0.$$

transvecting this with  $f^{dy}$  and using (1.4) and (3.6), we have  $\rho^4(p-1)^2 = 0$ . This complete the roof of the lemma.

If  $p=1$ , that is, the submanifold  $M$  is a hypersurface of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$ , the structure induced on  $M$  atisfying (1.4) becomes the so-called  $(f, g, u, v, \lambda)$ -structure ([1], [2]) where we have put  $f_c^x = u^c$ ,  $v^a = v^a$ ,  $f^x = f_x = \lambda$  and the equation(3.6) reduces to

$$h_{bc}u^c = \alpha u_b - v_b \tag{3.10}$$

where  $\alpha = R_{yx}^x$  and  $h_{bc} = h_{bc}^x$ .

**Lemma 3.2** ([3]). *Let  $M$  be a partially integrable hypersurface of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  ( $m > 1$ ), then we ave*

$\lambda$  is constant on  $M$ ,

$$h_{cc}v^c = -u_c, \tag{3.11}$$

$$(1 - \lambda^2)\nabla_c \alpha = \beta u_c - \lambda(\alpha^2 + 4)v_c, \tag{3.12}$$

$$2\lambda(\alpha^2 + 4)f_{cb} - \beta(h_{ce}f_b^e - h_{be}f_c^e) = \lambda/1 - \lambda^2[\alpha\beta + 2\lambda(\alpha^2 + 4)](v_b u_c - v_c u_b), \tag{3.13}$$

$$\beta(h - \alpha) + 2(m - 1)(\lambda^2 + 4) = 0 \tag{3.14}$$

where  $\beta = u^e \nabla_e \alpha$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be a partially integrable hypersurface of  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  ( $m > 1$ ). If  $M$  hold Cartan condition, then we have  $\lambda = 0$ .*

**Proof.** If we transvect (1.15) with  $v^c$  and  $u^c$ , we have

$$K_{bc}v^c = 2(m-1)v_b + (\alpha - h)u_b, \tag{3.15}$$

$$K_{bc}u^c = (2m-2 + \alpha h - \alpha^2)u_b + (\alpha - h)v_b. \tag{3.16}$$

Differentiating (3.15) covariantly, we find

$$(\nabla_c K_{be})v^e + K_{bc}\nabla_c v^e = 2(m-1)\nabla_c v_b + \nabla_c(\alpha - h)u_b + (\alpha - h)\nabla_c u_b \tag{3.17}$$

and differentiating (3.17) covariantly and transvecting  $u^b u^c$ , we easily verify that

$$\lambda\alpha(\alpha - h) = 0. \tag{3.18}$$

This implies  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\alpha(\alpha - h) = 0$  because  $\lambda$  is constant. Therefore if  $\alpha(\alpha - h) = 0$ , we see that  $\alpha = 0$  or  $\alpha = h$ . In these two case, we see from (3.12) and (3.14) that  $\lambda = 0$ . This complete the proof of the lemma.

According to Theorem 2.2, Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.3, we conclude

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $M$  be a  $n$ -dimensional complete generic submanifold of an odd-dimensional unit sphere  $S^{2m+1}(1)$  with flat normal connection. Suppose that the induced structure on  $M$  is partially integrable, the function  $1 - f_x f^x$  does not vanish almost everywhere and the mean curvature vector of  $M$  is parallel in the normal bundle. If  $M$  holds Cartan condition, then  $M$  is*

$$S^{p_1}(r_1) \times \dots \times S^{p_N}(r_N)$$

where  $p_1, \dots, p_N$  are odd-numbers  $\geq 1$ ,  $r_1^2 + \dots + r_N^2 = 1$ ,  $N = 2m + 1 - n$ .

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