# ON THE NORMAL BUNDLE OF A SUBMANIFOLD IN A KÄHLER MANIFOLD

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ABSTRACT. We show that the normal bundle of a Lagrangian submanifold in a Kähler manifold has a symplectic structure and provide the equivalent conditions for the normal bundle of such to be Kähler.

### 1. Preliminaries

We consider a submanifold  $\tilde{M}$  of a Riemannian manifold  $(M^{2n}, g)$ . A Riemannian metric G is induced on  $\tilde{M}$  and there is also a metric  $G^{\perp}$  induced on each fiber of the normal bundle  $N\tilde{M}$  of  $\tilde{M}$ . We call by D the Riemannian connection of  $(\tilde{M}, G)$ . The normal connection  $D^{\perp}$  and its curvature tensor  $R^{\perp}$  are defined as usual (in the sense of [3]). It is well known (Refer to [1]) that on the normal bundle  $N\tilde{M}$ , there is a naturally induced metric  $\tilde{g}$ , called the Sasaki metric. This metric structure was determined, by Recziegel [4], in an invariant manner:

$$\tilde{g}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) = G(\pi_* \tilde{X}, \pi_* \tilde{Y}) + G^{\perp}(K\tilde{X}, K\tilde{Y})$$

where  $\pi_*$  is the differential of the projection map  $\pi: N\tilde{M} \to \tilde{M}$  of the normal bundle  $N\tilde{M}$  and  $K: TN\tilde{M} \to N\tilde{M}$  is the connection map. Note that both the mappings  $\pi_*$  and K are onto and fiber-preserving linear transformations.

We call the kernels of the mappings  $\pi_*$  and K the vertical subspace  $VN\tilde{M}$  and the horizontal subspace  $HN\tilde{M}$ , respectively. Then, the

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vertical subspace and the horizontal subspace are orthogonal in the Sasaki metric and the vertical space is tangent to the fiber. Moreover, there is a decomposition:

$$T_{\tilde{x}}N\tilde{M} = H_{\tilde{x}}N\tilde{M} \oplus V_{\tilde{x}}N\tilde{M}$$

for each  $\tilde{x} = (x, \xi) \in N\tilde{M}$ .

Given a tangent vector field X and a normal vector field  $\eta$  to  $\tilde{M}$ , there are defined the horizontal lift  $X^H \in HN\tilde{M}$  and the vertical lift  $\eta^V \in VN\tilde{M}$  such that

$$\pi_* X^H = X, K X^H = 0, \pi_* \eta^V = 0, \text{ and } K \eta^V = \eta.$$

Thus, we have that at the point  $\tilde{x} = (x, \xi)$ 

$$\tilde{g}(X^{H}, Y^{H})_{\tilde{x}} = G(\pi_{*}X^{H}, \pi_{*}Y^{H})_{x} = G(X, Y)_{x}$$

$$(1) \qquad \tilde{g}(X^{H}, \eta^{V})_{\tilde{x}} = G(\pi_{*}X^{H}, \pi_{*}\eta^{V})_{x} + G^{\perp}(KX^{H}, K\eta^{V})_{\xi} = 0$$

$$\tilde{g}(\eta^{V}, \zeta^{V})_{\tilde{x}} = G^{\perp}(K\eta^{V}, K\zeta^{V})_{\xi} = G^{\perp}(\eta^{V}, \zeta^{V})_{\xi}$$

Now, since we can write

$$\tilde{X} = (\pi_* \tilde{X})^H + (K\tilde{X})^V$$

for a tangent vector  $\tilde{X}$  to  $N\tilde{M}$ , it is enough to consider various combinations of horizontally and vertically lifted vector fields.

We will need the following lemmas. Proofs are routine and we omit them here.

LEMMA 1.1 ([1]). Let X and Y be tangent vector fields, and  $\eta$  and  $\zeta$  normal vector fields of  $\tilde{M}$ . Then, at each point  $(x, \xi)$  of the normal bundle  $N\tilde{M}$ , the Lie brackets are:

$$\begin{split} [\,\eta^V,\zeta^V] &= 0, & [X^H,\eta^V] = (D_X^\perp\eta)^V, \\ \pi_*[X^H,Y^H] &= [X,Y], & K[X^H,Y^H] = -\,R_{XY}^\perp\xi. \end{split}$$

By definition,  $R_{XY}^{\perp}\eta$  is a normal vector field of  $\tilde{M}$ . For any normal vector field  $\zeta$ , we may compute the inner product  $g(R_{XY}^{\perp}\eta,\zeta)$ . We define the adjoint  $\hat{R}_{\eta\zeta}X$  by the equality  $G(\hat{R}_{\eta\zeta}X,Y)=g(R_{XY}^{\perp}\eta,\zeta)$ . The covariant derivatives with respect to the Riemannian connection  $\tilde{\nabla}$  of the Sasaki metric  $\tilde{g}$  on  $N\tilde{M}$  are easily computed. And, we have

LEMMA 1.2 ([1]). Let X and Y be tangent vector fields, and  $\eta$  and  $\zeta$  normal vector fields of  $\tilde{M}$ . Then, at each point  $(x, \xi)$  of the normal bundle  $N\tilde{M}$ ,

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\nabla}_{\eta^{V}}\zeta^{V} &= 0 \;, & \tilde{\nabla}_{X^{H}}\zeta^{V} &= (D_{X}^{\perp}\zeta)^{V} + \frac{1}{2}(\hat{R}_{\xi\zeta}X)^{H} \;, \\ \tilde{\nabla}_{\eta^{V}}Y^{H} &= \frac{1}{2}(\hat{R}_{\xi\eta}Y)^{H} \;, & \tilde{\nabla}_{X^{H}}Y^{H} &= (D_{X}Y)^{H} - \frac{1}{2}(R_{XY}^{\perp}\xi)^{V} \;. \end{split}$$

# 2. Main results

Let us consider a Lagrangian submanifold L of a Kähler manifold  $(M^{2n}, J, g)$ . On the normal bundle NL of L, we define  $\tilde{J}$  by

$$\tilde{J}X^H = (JX)^V$$

and

$$\tilde{J}\xi^V = (J\xi)^H$$

for any tangent vector field X and normal vector field  $\xi$  to L. Then, it is easy to see that  $\tilde{J}$  is an almost complex structure on NL.

Thus, we have

Proposition 2.1.  $(NL, \tilde{J}, \tilde{g})$  is an almost Hermitian manifold.

*Proof.* By the argument above, it remains to show that  $\tilde{J}$  is compatible with the Sasaki metric  $\tilde{g}$  on NL. And, this follows immediately from the compatibility of J with g and (1).

Let us denote by  $\tilde{\nabla}$  and  $\nabla$  the Riemannian connection of  $\tilde{g}$  and g, respectively. Let G be the induced metric on L, D its Riemannian connection, and  $\underline{R}$  the curvature tensor on L.

We now present our main theorems.

THEOREM 2.2. Let L be a Lagrangian submanifold of a Kähler manifold  $(M^{2n}, J, g)$ . Then,  $(NL, \tilde{J}, \tilde{g})$  is a symplectic manifold.

*Proof.* By Proposition 2.1, it remains to show that the fundamental 2-form  $\Omega$  defined by  $\Omega(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) = \tilde{g}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{J}\tilde{Y})$  is non-degenerate and closed. The non-degeneracy of  $\Omega$  is immediate since  $\tilde{g}$  is positive definite and  $\tilde{J}$  is non-singular at each point.

In order to show that  $\Omega$  is closed, we first observe that

(2) 
$$\Omega(X^{H}, Y^{H}) = \tilde{g}(X^{H}, \tilde{J}Y^{H})$$
$$= g(\pi_{*}X^{H}, \pi_{*}\tilde{J}Y^{H}) + g(KX^{H}, K\tilde{J}Y^{H})$$
$$= 0,$$

$$\Omega(X^{H}, \eta^{V}) = \tilde{g}(X^{H}, \tilde{J}\eta^{V})$$

$$= g(\pi_{*}X^{H}, \pi_{*}\tilde{J}\eta^{V}) + g(KX^{H}, K\tilde{J}\eta^{V})$$

$$= g(X, J\eta),$$
(3)

and likewise,

(4) 
$$\Omega(\eta^V, \zeta^V) = 0.$$

We recall here the coboundary formula

$$3d\Phi(X,Y,Z) = X\Phi(Y,Z) + Y\Phi(Z,X) + Z\Phi(X,Y) - \Phi([X,Y],Z) - \Phi([Y,Z],X) - \Phi([Z,X],Y).$$

Using Lemma 1.1 and (2) - (4), we compute

$$\begin{split} 3d\Omega(X^{H},Y^{H},Z^{H}) &= -\Omega([X^{H},Y^{H}],Z^{H}) - \Omega([Y^{H},Z^{H}],X^{H}) \\ &- \Omega([Z^{H},X^{H}],Y^{H}) \\ &= \Omega((R_{XY}^{\perp}\xi)^{V},Z^{H}) + \Omega((R_{YZ}^{\perp}\xi)^{V},X^{H}) \\ &+ \Omega((R_{ZX}^{\perp}\xi)^{V},Y^{H}) \end{split}$$

But, from the Gauss-Weingarten equations, we have

$$\nabla_X J\xi = D_X J\xi + \sigma(X, J\xi)$$

and

$$J\nabla_X \xi = -JA_{\xi}X + JD_X^{\perp}\xi.$$

We compare tangential parts of these using Kähler condition and get

$$JD_X^{\perp}\xi = D_X J\xi .$$

Continuing our computation, using this and the Bianchi identity, we get

$$3d\Omega(X^{H}, Y^{H}, Z^{H}) = -g(\underline{R}_{XY}J\xi, Z) - g(\underline{R}_{YZ}J\xi, X) - g(\underline{R}_{ZX}J\xi, Y)$$

$$= g(\underline{R}_{XY}Z, J\xi) + g(\underline{R}_{YZ}X, J\xi) + g(\underline{R}_{ZX}Y, J\xi)$$

$$= 0$$
(6)

Likewise, we compute, using Lemma 1.2 and (2) - (4),

$$3d\Omega(X^{H}, Y^{H}, \eta^{V}) = X^{H}\Omega(Y^{H}, \eta^{V}) + Y^{H}\Omega(\eta^{V}, X^{H})$$

$$-\Omega([X^{H}, Y^{H}], \eta^{V}) - \Omega([Y^{H}, \eta^{V}], X^{H})$$

$$-\Omega([\eta^{V}, X^{H}], Y^{H})$$

$$= \tilde{g}(\tilde{\nabla}_{X^{H}}Y^{H}, (J\eta^{V})^{H}) + \tilde{g}(Y^{H}, \tilde{\nabla}_{X^{H}}(J\eta)^{H})$$

$$+ \tilde{g}(\tilde{\nabla}_{Y^{H}}\eta^{V}, (JX)^{V}) + \tilde{g}(\eta^{V}, \tilde{\nabla}_{Y^{H}}(JX)^{V})$$

$$-\Omega([X, Y]^{H} - (R_{XY}^{\perp}\xi)^{V}, \eta^{V})$$

$$-\Omega((D_{Y}^{\perp}\eta)^{V}, X^{H}) + \Omega((D_{X}^{\perp}\eta)^{V}, Y^{H})$$

$$= \tilde{g}((D_{X}Y)^{H}, (J\eta)^{H}) + \tilde{g}(Y^{H}, (D_{X}J\eta)^{H})$$

$$+ \tilde{g}((D_{Y}^{\perp}\eta)^{V}, (JX)^{V}) + \tilde{g}(\eta^{V}, (D_{Y}^{\perp}JX)^{V})$$

$$-\Omega([X, Y]^{H}, \eta^{V}) - \Omega((D_{Y}^{\perp}\eta)^{V}, X^{H})$$

$$+\Omega((D_{X}^{\perp}\eta)^{V}, Y^{H})$$

$$= \tilde{g}((D_{X}Y)^{H}, (J\eta)^{H}) + \tilde{g}(\eta^{V}, (D_{Y}^{\perp}JX)^{V})$$

$$-\tilde{g}([X, Y]^{H}, (J\eta)^{H})$$

$$= \tilde{g}((D_{X}Y)^{H}, \tilde{J}\eta^{V}) + \tilde{g}(\tilde{J}\eta^{V}, -(D_{X}Y)^{H})$$

$$-\tilde{g}([X, Y]^{H}, \tilde{J}\eta^{V})$$

$$= 0$$

and

$$3d\Omega(X^{H}, \eta^{V}, \zeta^{V}) = \eta^{V}\Omega(\zeta^{V}, X^{H}) + \zeta^{V}\Omega(X^{H}, \eta^{V})$$

$$-\Omega([X^{H}, \eta^{V}], \zeta^{V}) - \Omega([\eta^{V}, \zeta^{V}], X^{H})$$

$$-\Omega([\zeta^{V}, X^{H}], \eta^{V})$$

$$= \tilde{g}(\tilde{\nabla}_{\eta^{V}}\zeta^{V}, \tilde{J}X^{H}) + \tilde{g}(\zeta^{V}, \tilde{\nabla}_{\eta^{V}}(JX)^{V})$$

$$+ \tilde{g}(\tilde{\nabla}_{\zeta^{V}}X^{H}, (J\eta)^{H}) + \tilde{g}(X^{H}, \tilde{\nabla}_{\zeta^{V}}(J\eta)^{H})$$

$$-\Omega((D_{X}^{\perp}\eta)^{V}, \zeta^{V}) + \Omega((D_{X}^{\perp}\zeta)^{V}, \eta^{V})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\tilde{g}((\hat{R}_{\xi\zeta}X)^{H}, (J\eta)^{H}) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{g}((\hat{R}_{\xi\zeta}J\eta)^{H}, X^{H})$$

$$= 0$$

$$(8)$$

Finally,

(9) 
$$3d\Omega(\eta^V, \zeta^V, \delta^V) = 0$$

is trivial. This completes our proof.

THEOREM 2.3. Let L be a Lagrangian submanifold of a Kähler manifold  $(M^{2n}, J, g)$ . Then, the followings are equivalent:

- (1) NL is Kähler.
- (2) L has flat normal connection.
- (3) L is flat.

*Proof.* We compute the Nijenhuis torsion.

$$\begin{split} [\tilde{J}, \tilde{J}](X^H, Y^H) &= -\left[X^H, Y^H\right] + \left[\tilde{J}X^H, \tilde{J}Y^H\right] \\ &- \tilde{J}[(JX)^V, Y^H] - \tilde{J}[X^H, (JY)^V] \\ &= -\left[X^H, Y^H\right] + (JD_Y^{\perp}JX)^H - (JD_X^{\perp}JY)^H \\ &= -\left[X, Y\right]^H + (R_{XY}^{\perp}\xi)^V + (JD_Y^{\perp}JX - JD_X^{\perp}JY)^H \end{split}$$

So, using (5), we have

$$[\tilde{J}, \tilde{J}](X^H, Y^H) = -[X^H, Y^H] + (R_{XY}^{\perp} \xi)^V - (D_Y X - D_X Y)^H$$
$$= -[X, Y]^H + (R_{XY}^{\perp} \xi)^V - [Y, X]^H$$
$$= (R_{YY}^{\perp} \xi)^V$$
(10)

$$\begin{split} [\tilde{J}, \tilde{J}](X^{H}, \zeta^{V}) &= -[X^{H}, \zeta^{V}] + [(JX)^{V}, (J\zeta)^{H}] \\ &- \tilde{J}[(JX)^{V}, \zeta^{V}] - \tilde{J}[X^{H}, (J\zeta)^{H}] \\ &= -(D_{X}^{\perp}\zeta)^{V} - (D_{J\zeta}^{\perp}JX)^{V} - \tilde{J}([X, J\zeta]^{H} - (R_{XJ\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{V}) \\ &= -(D_{X}^{\perp}\zeta)^{V} - (D_{J\zeta}^{\perp}JX)^{V} - (J[X, J\zeta])^{V} + (JR_{XJ\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{H} \\ &= -(\nabla_{X}\zeta)^{V} - (A_{\zeta}X)^{H} - (\nabla_{J\zeta}JX)^{V} - (A_{JX}J\zeta)^{V} \\ &- (J\nabla_{X}J\zeta)^{V} + (J\nabla_{J\zeta}X)^{V} + (JR_{XJ\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{H} \\ &= -(\nabla_{X}\zeta)^{V} - (A_{\zeta}X)^{H} - (\nabla_{J\zeta}JX)^{V} - (A_{JX}J\zeta)^{V} \\ &+ (\nabla_{X}\zeta)^{V} + (\nabla_{J\zeta}JX)^{V} + (JR_{XJ\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{H} \end{split}$$

$$(11)$$

Again, using (5) and the Kähler condition, we see that

$$J[X, J\zeta] = -\nabla_X \zeta - \nabla_{J\zeta} JX$$
  
=  $-D_X^{\perp} \zeta - D_{J\zeta}^{\perp} JX + A_{\zeta} X + A_{JX} J\zeta.$ 

But, since  $J[X, J\zeta]$  is normal to L, we have

$$A_{\zeta}X + A_{JX}J\zeta = 0.$$

Thus, we see, from (11), that

(12) 
$$[\tilde{J}, \tilde{J}](X^H, \zeta^V) = (JR_{XJ\zeta}^{\perp} \xi)^H$$
$$= (R_{XJ\zeta} J\xi)^H$$

and

$$\begin{split} [\tilde{J}, \tilde{J}](\eta^{V}, \zeta^{V}) &= - [\eta^{V}, \zeta^{V}] + [(J\eta)^{H}, (J\zeta)^{H}] \\ &- \tilde{J}[(J\eta)^{H}, \zeta^{V}] - \tilde{J}[\eta^{V}, (J\zeta)^{H}] \\ &= [(J\eta)^{H}, (J\zeta)^{H}] - \tilde{J}(D_{J\eta}^{\perp}\zeta)^{V} + \tilde{J}(D_{J\zeta}^{\perp}\eta)^{V} \\ &= [J\eta, J\zeta]^{H} - (R_{J\eta J\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{V} - (JD_{J\eta}^{\perp}\zeta)^{H} + (JD_{J\zeta}^{\perp}\eta)^{H} \\ &= [J\eta, J\zeta]^{H} - (R_{J\eta J\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{V} - (D_{J\eta}J\zeta)^{H} + (D_{J\zeta}J\eta)^{V} \\ (13) &= - (R_{J\eta J\zeta}^{\perp}\xi)^{V} \end{split}$$

In view of (10), (12), and (13), we conclude that  $[\tilde{J}, \tilde{J}]$  vanishes if and only if L has flat normal connection.

This together with the equations (6) - (9) shows that NL is Kähler if and only if L has flat normal connection.

Moreover, using (11), we have

$$R_{XY}J\xi = JR_{XY}^{\perp}\xi,$$

from which we easily see that L is flat if and only if NL has flat normal connection.

In the proof of the previous theorem, we have also shown

COROLLARY 2.4.  $\tilde{J}$  on NL is integrable if and only if L has flat connection.

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