

## REAL HYPERSURFACES WITH $\xi$ -PARALLEL RICCI TENSOR IN A COMPLEX SPACE FORM

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ABSTRACT. We prove that if a real hypersurface with constant mean curvature of a complex space form satisfying  $\nabla_{\xi}S = 0$  and  $S\xi = \sigma\xi$  for a smooth function  $\sigma$ , then the structure vector field  $\xi$  is principal, where  $S$  denotes the Ricci tensor of the hypersurface.

### 1. Introduction

An  $n$ -dimensional complex space form  $M_n(c)$  is a Kaehlerian manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $c$ . As is well known, complete and simply connected complex space forms are isometric to a complex projective space  $P_nC$ , a complex Euclidean space  $C_n$  or a complex hyperbolic space  $H_nC$  according as  $c > 0$ ,  $c = 0$  or  $c < 0$ .

Let  $M$  be a real hypersurfaces of  $M_n(c)$ . Then  $M$  has an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  induced from the Kaehlerian metric and complex structure  $J$  of  $M_n(c)$ . The structure vector field  $\xi$  is said to be *principal* if  $A\xi = \alpha\xi$ , where  $A$  is the shape operator in the direction of the unit normal  $C$  and  $\alpha = \eta(A\xi)$ . We denote by  $\nabla$  and  $S$ , the Levi-Civita connection with respect to the Riemannian metric tensor  $g$  and the Ricci tensor of type  $(1, 1)$  on  $M$  respectively. Takagi ([12]) classified all homogeneous real hypersurfaces of  $P_nC$  as six model spaces which are said to be  $A_1, A_2, B, C, D$  and  $E$ , and Cecil-Ryan ([3]) and Kimura ([8]) proved that they are realized as the tubes of constant radius over Kaehlerian submanifolds. Namely, he proved the following

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**THEOREM A.** *Let  $M$  be a homogeneous real hypersurface of  $P_n C$ . Then  $M$  is a tube of radius  $r$  over one of the following Kaehlerian submanifolds:*

- (A<sub>1</sub>) a hyperplane  $P_{n-1}C$ , where  $0 < r < \pi/2$ ,
- (A<sub>2</sub>) a totally geodesic  $P_k C$  ( $1 \leq k \leq n-2$ ), where  $0 < r < \pi/2$ ,
- (B) a complex quadric  $Q_{n-1}$ , where  $0 < r < \pi/4$ ,
- (C)  $P_1 C \times P_{(n-1)/2} C$ , where  $0 < r < \pi/4$  and  $n(\geq 5)$  is odd,
- (D) a complex Grassmann  $G_{2,5} C$ , where  $0 < r < \pi/4$  and  $n = 9$ ,
- (E) a Hermitian symmetric space  $SO(10)/U(5)$ , where  $0 < r < \pi/4$  and  $n = 15$ .

Also Berndt ([2]) showed that all real hypersurfaces with constant principal curvatures of a complex hyperbolic space  $H_n C$  are realized as the tubes of constant radius over certain submanifolds when the structure vector  $\xi$  is principal. Nowadays in  $H_n C$  they are said to be of type  $A_0, A_1, A_2$  and  $B$ .

It was already known that there does not exist any Einstein real hypersurface of  $M_n(c)$ ,  $c \neq 0$  (see Cecil and Ryan [3], Montiel [11]). As a generalization of this fact Ki ([5]) has shown that there is no real hypersurface with parallel Ricci tensor  $\nabla S = 0$  of  $M_n(c)$ ,  $c \neq 0$ . In such a situation, let us investigate the covariant derivative of the Ricci tensor in  $M_n(c)$ ,  $c \neq 0$  along the structure vector  $\xi$  in such a way that  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$ . In order to prove our result we prepare the following theorems without proof:

**THEOREM C** [10]. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface in  $P_n C$  ( $\geq 3$ ) on which  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector and the focal map  $\varphi_r$  has constant rank on  $M$ . If  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$ , then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of (A<sub>1</sub>), (A<sub>2</sub>), (B), (C), (D) and (E).*

**THEOREM D** [6]. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $H_n C$  ( $n \geq 3$ ). If the structure vector  $\xi$  is principal and  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$ , then  $M$  is locally congruent to one of (A<sub>0</sub>), (A<sub>1</sub>) and (A<sub>2</sub>).*

In this paper let us consider the condition that  $\xi$  is an eigenvector of the Ricci tensor  $S$ , which is much more general notion than  $A\xi = \alpha\xi$ . From this point of views, it is proved in [4] and [7] that

**THEOREM E.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface of  $M_n(c), c \neq 0$ . If it satisfies  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$  and  $A\xi$  is principal or  $S\xi = \sigma\xi$  for some constant  $\sigma$  on  $M$ , then  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector.*

From different viewpoints of Theorem E we prove the following:

**THEOREM.** *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface with constant mean curvature in  $M_n(c), c \neq 0$ . If it satisfies  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$  and  $S\xi = \sigma\xi$  for a smooth function  $\sigma$  on  $M$ , then  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector.*

Finally we want to give a remark that the notion of  $S\xi = \sigma\xi$  is much more weaker than  $A\xi = \alpha\xi$ . For this we want to show an example in  $M_n(c), c \neq 0$  which satisfies the condition  $S\xi = \sigma\xi$  but its structure vector field  $\xi$  is not principal. In fact, Kimura [9] constructed a minimal ruled real hypersurface in  $P_nC$ . Its expression of the Weingarten map is given by

$$A\xi = \alpha\xi + \mu W, \quad AW = \mu\xi \quad \text{and} \quad AX = 0$$

for any vector field  $X$  orthogonal to  $\xi$  and  $W$ , where  $W$  is a unit vector field orthogonal to  $\xi$ . Then it satisfies naturally  $S\xi = \sigma\xi$  for the Ricci tensor  $S$  of ruled real hypersurfaces in  $P_nC$ . Ahn, Lee and Suh [1] also constructed a ruled real hypersurface in  $H_nC$ . All manifolds in this paper are assumed to be connected and of class  $C^\infty$  and the real hypersurfaces are supposed to be orientable.

### 1. Preliminaries

First of all, we review that fundamental properties of a real hypersurface of a complex space form (cf. [4], [7]).

Let  $M_n(c)$  be a real  $2n$ -dimensional complex space form equipped with parallel almost complex structure  $J$  and a Riemannian metric tensor  $G$  which is  $J$ -Hermitian, and covered by a system of coordinate neighborhoods  $\{\bar{V}; x^A\}$ .

Let  $M$  be a real  $(2n - 1)$ -dimensional hypersurface of  $M_n(c)$  covered by a system of coordinate neighborhoods  $\{V; y^h\}$  and immersed isometrically in  $M_n(c)$  by the immersion  $i : M \rightarrow M_n(c)$ . Throughout the present paper the following convention on the range of indices are used, unless otherwise stated:

$$A, B, \dots = 1, 2, \dots, 2n; \quad i, j, \dots = 1, 2, \dots, 2n - 1.$$

The summation convention will be used with respect to those system of indices. We represent the immersion  $i$  locally by  $x^A = x^A(y^h)$  and  $B_j = (B_j^A)$  are also  $(2n - 1)$ -linearly independent local tangent vectors of  $M$ , where  $B_j^A = \partial_j x^A$  and  $\partial_j = \partial/\partial y^j$ . A unit normal  $C$  to  $M$  may then be chosen. The induced Riemannian metric  $g$  with components  $g_{ji}$  on  $M$  is given by  $g_{ji} = G_{BA} B_j^B B_i^A$  because the immersion is isometric. For the tangent vector  $B_i$  and unit normal  $C$  to  $M$ , the following representations are obtained in each coordinate neighborhood:

$$JB_i = \phi_i^h B_h + \xi_i C, \quad JC = -\xi^i B_i,$$

where we have put  $\phi_{ji} = G(JB_j, B_i)$  and  $\xi_i = G(JB_i, C)$ ,  $\xi^h$  being components of a vector field  $\xi$  associated with  $\xi_i$  and  $\phi_{ji} = \phi_j^r g_{ri}$ . By the properties of the almost Hermitian structure  $J$ , it is clear that  $\phi_{ji}$  is skew-symmetric. A tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$  with components  $\phi_i^h$  will be denoted by  $\phi$ . By the properties of the almost complex structure  $J$ , the following relations are then given:

$$\phi_i^r \phi_r^h = -\delta_i^h + \xi_i \xi^h, \quad \xi^r \phi_r^h = 0, \quad \xi_r \phi_i^r = 0, \quad \xi_i \xi^i = 1,$$

that is, the aggregate  $(\phi, g, \xi)$  defines an almost contact metric structure.

Denoting by  $\nabla_j$  the operator of van der Waerden-Bortolotti covariant differentiation with respect to the induced Riemannian metric, equations of the Gauss and Weingarten for  $M$  are respectively obtained:

$$\nabla_j B_i = A_{ji} C, \quad \nabla_j C = -A_j^r B_r.$$

where  $H = (A_{ji})$  is a second fundamental form and  $A = (A_j^h)$ , which is related by  $A_{ji} = A_j^r g_{ri}$  is the shape operator derived from  $C$ . By means of above equations the covariant derivatives of the structure tensors are yielded:

$$(1.1) \quad \nabla_j \phi_i^h = -A_{ji} \xi^h + A_j^h \xi_i, \quad \nabla_j \xi_i = -A_{jr} \phi_i^r.$$

Since the ambient space is a complex space form, equations of the Gauss and Codazzi for  $M$  are respectively given by

$$(1.2) \quad R_{kjih} = \frac{c}{4} (g_{kh} g_{ji} - g_{jh} g_{ki} + \phi_{kh} \phi_{ji} - \phi_{jh} \phi_{ki} - 2\phi_{kj} \phi_{ih}) + A_{kh} A_{ji} - A_{jh} A_{ki},$$

$$(1.3) \quad \nabla_k A_{ji} - \nabla_j A_{ki} = \frac{c}{4}(\xi_k \phi_{ji} - \xi_j \phi_{ki} - 2\xi_i \phi_{kj}),$$

where  $R_{kjih}$  are components of the Riemannian curvature tensor  $R$  of  $M$ .

Hereafter, to write our formulas in convention forms, let us denote by  $A_{ji}^2 = A_{jr} A_i^r$ ,  $h = g_{ji} A^{ji}$ ,  $\alpha = A_{ji} \xi^j \xi^i$  and  $\beta = A_{ji}^2 \xi^j \xi^i$ . If we put  $U_j = \xi^r \nabla_r \xi_j$ , then  $U$  is orthogonal to the structure vector  $\xi$ . Because of the properties of the almost contact metric structure and the second equation of (1.1), we get

$$(1.4) \quad \phi_{jr} U^r = A_{jr} \xi^r - \alpha \xi_j,$$

which shows that  $g(U, U) = \beta - \alpha^2$ . By the definition of  $U$  and the second equation of (1.1), we see that

$$(1.5) \quad U^r \nabla_j \xi_r = A_{jr}^2 \xi^r - \alpha A_{jr} \xi^r.$$

On the other hand, differentiating (1.4) covariantly along  $M$  and making use of (1.1), we find

$$(1.6) \quad \xi_j A_{kr} U^r + \phi_{jr} \nabla_k U^r = \xi^r \nabla_k A_{jr} - A_{jr} A_{ks} \phi^{rs} - \alpha_k \xi_j + \alpha A_{kr} \phi_j^r,$$

which shows that

$$(1.7) \quad (\nabla_k A_{ji}) \xi^j \xi^i = 2A_{kr} U^r + \alpha_k,$$

where  $\alpha_k = \partial_k \alpha$ .

Transforming (1.6) by  $\phi_i^j$  and taking account of (1.1) and (1.5), we have

$$(1.8) \quad \nabla_k U_i + \xi_i A_{kr}^2 \xi^r + \xi^r (\nabla_k A_{sr}) \phi_i^s = (\nabla_k \xi^r) (\nabla_r \xi_i) + \alpha A_{ki}.$$

By the definition of  $U$ , (1.1), (1.7) and (1.8) it is verified that

$$(1.9) \quad \xi^r \nabla_r U_j = -3U^s A_{rs} \phi_j^r + \alpha A_{jr} \xi^r - \beta \xi_j - \phi_{jr} \alpha^r.$$

We put

$$(1.10) \quad A_{jr} \xi^r = \alpha \xi_j + \mu W_j,$$

where  $W$  is a unit vector field orthogonal to  $\xi$ . Then from (1.4) we see that  $U = -\mu\phi W$ , and  $W$  is also orthogonal to  $U$ . We assume that  $\mu \neq 0$  on  $M$ , that is,  $\xi$  is not a principal curvature vector field and we put  $\Omega = \{p \in M \mid \mu(p) \neq 0\}$ . Then  $\Omega$  is an open subset of  $M$  and hereafter we discuss our argument on  $\Omega$  otherwise stated.

By (1.2), the Ricci tensor  $S$  of  $M$  is given by

$$(1.11) \quad S_{ji} = \frac{c}{4}\{(2n + 1)g_{ji} - 3\xi_j\xi_i\} + hA_{ji} - A_{ji}^2,$$

where  $h = trA$ . Since  $\xi$  and  $W$  are mutually orthogonal, we see, using (1.1), (1.4) and (1.10), that

$$(1.12) \quad \mu\xi_r\nabla_j W^r = A_{jr}U^r.$$

### 2. Real hypersurfaces satisfying $\nabla_\xi S = 0$

Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface with constant mean curvature of  $M_n(c)$ ,  $c \neq 0$ . Then by (1.11) we have

$$\nabla_k S_{ji} = -\frac{3}{4}c(\xi_i\nabla_k\xi_j + \xi_j\nabla_k\xi_i) + h\nabla_k A_{ji} - (\nabla_k A_{jr})A_i^r - (\nabla_k A_{ir})A_j^r.$$

In the sequel we suppose that the Ricci tensor is parallel in  $\xi$ -direction, that is,  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$ . Then the last equation gives

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} &\frac{3}{4}c(U_j\xi_k + U_k\xi_j) + \frac{c}{4}(A_{kr}\phi_j^r + A_{jr}\phi_k^r) - \frac{c}{4}h\phi_{jk} \\ &= h(\nabla_j A_{kr})\xi^r - A_{kr}(\nabla_j A_t^r)\xi^t - A_{jr}(\nabla_k A_t^r)\xi^t. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we suppose that the structure vector field  $\xi$  is an eigenvector of the Ricci tensor, namely

$$(2.2) \quad S_{jr}\xi^r = \sigma\xi_j$$

for some smooth function  $\sigma$  on  $M$ . Then (1.11) implies that

$$(2.3) \quad A_{jr}^2\xi^r = hA_{jr}\xi^r + (\beta - h\alpha)\xi_j,$$

where we have put

$$(2.4) \quad \beta - h\alpha = \frac{c}{2}(n - 1) - \sigma.$$

Thus (1.5) is reduced to

$$(2.5) \quad U^r \nabla_j \xi_r = (h - \alpha)A_{jr} \xi^r + (\beta - h\alpha)\xi_j.$$

From (1.10) and (2.3), it is seen that

$$(2.6) \quad A_{jr} W^r = \mu \xi_j + (h - \alpha)W_j$$

on  $\Omega$ , where  $\mu^2 = \beta - \alpha^2$  and hence

$$(2.7) \quad A_{jr}{}^2 W^r = hA_{jr} W^r + (\beta - h\alpha)W_j.$$

Differentiating (2.6) covariantly along  $\Omega$ , we find

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} &(\nabla_k A_{jr})W^r + A_{jr} \nabla_k W^r \\ &= \mu_k \xi_j + \mu \nabla_k \xi_j + (h_k - \alpha_k)W_j + (h - \alpha)\nabla_k W_j. \end{aligned}$$

By transvecting  $W^j$  and taking account of (1.12) and (2.6), we obtain

$$(2.9) \quad (\nabla_k A_{rs})W^r W^s = -2A_{kr} U^r + h_k - \alpha_k.$$

We transvect also  $\xi^j$  to (2.8) and making use of (2.6), we can get

$$(\nabla_k A_{rs})W^r \xi^s + \alpha \xi_r \nabla_k W^r = \mu_k + (h - \alpha)\xi_r \nabla_k W^r$$

on  $\Omega$ . Since we have by the definition of  $\mu$

$$(2.10) \quad \mu \mu_k = \frac{1}{2}\beta_k - \alpha \alpha_k,$$

the above equation turns out to be

$$(2.11) \quad \mu(\nabla_k A_{rs})\xi^r W^s = (h - 2\alpha)A_{kr} U^r + \frac{1}{2}\beta_k - \alpha \alpha_k,$$

where we have used (1.12).

Differentiating (2.2) covariantly along  $\Omega$ , we find

$$(\nabla_k S_{jr})\xi^r + S_{jr}\nabla_k \xi^r = \sigma_k \xi_j + \sigma \nabla_k \xi_j.$$

Since we have  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$ , it follows that

$$S_{jr}U^r = (\sigma_t \xi^t)\xi_j + \sigma U_j,$$

which together with (2.2) yields

$$(2.12) \quad \sigma_t \xi^t = 0.$$

Thus the last equation becomes

$$(2.13) \quad A_{jr}{}^2 U^r = h A_{jr} U^r + (\beta - h\alpha + \frac{3}{4}c)U_j,$$

because we have (1.11) and (2.4).

If we differentiate (2.5) covariantly and take account of (1.1), (1.4) and (1.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (\nabla_k U_r)(\nabla_j \xi^r) + (A_{jr} \xi^r)(A_{ks} U^s) + \mu(\nabla_k A_{jr})W^r + \alpha_k A_{jr} \xi^r \\ &= (h - \alpha)(\nabla_k A_{jr})\xi^r - (h - \alpha)A_{jr} A_{ks} \phi^{rs} \\ & \quad + (\beta - h\alpha)_k \xi_j + (\beta - h\alpha)\nabla_k \xi_j, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$(2.14) \quad h A_{jr} U^r + 2(\beta - h\alpha + c)U_j + A_{jr} \alpha^r = h\alpha_j - \frac{1}{2}\beta_j,$$

where we have used (1.3), (1.7), (1.9), (2.9), (2.11), (2.12) and (2.13).

Taking the inner product (2.1) with  $A_s{}^k \xi^s$  and using (1.3), (1.7), (2.3) and (2.9), we find

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left(h^2 + 2\beta - 2h\alpha - \frac{c}{4}\right) A_{jr} U^r + \left\{h\beta - h^2\alpha + \frac{3}{4}c(h + \alpha)\right\} U_j \\ & + \frac{1}{2} A_{jr} \beta^r + (\beta - h\alpha)\alpha_j = 0. \end{aligned}$$



Combining (2.14) with (2.15), we obtain

$$(2.16) \quad A_{jr}^2 \alpha^r - hA_{jr} \alpha^r - (\beta - h\alpha)\alpha_j = \frac{3}{4}c(\alpha U_j - 3A_{jr}U^r).$$

Thus, the last three equations give the following:

$$(2.17) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2}\{A_{jr}^2 \beta^r - hA_{jr} \beta^r - (\beta - h\alpha)\beta_j\} \\ & = \frac{3}{4}c\{(\beta + \frac{c}{4})U_j - (h + \alpha)A_{jr}U^r\}. \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating (2.3) covariantly along  $\Omega$  and making use of (1.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (\nabla_k A_j^s)A_{sr} \xi^r + A_{js}(\nabla_k A_r^s)\xi^r - A_{jr}^2 A_{ks} \phi^{rs} \\ & = h(\nabla_k A_{jr})\xi^r - hA_{jr} A_{ks} \phi^{rs} + (\beta_k - h\alpha_k)\xi_j - (\beta - h\alpha)A_{kr} \phi_j^r \end{aligned}$$

because the mean curvature of  $M$  is constant, from which taking the skew-symmetric part with respect to indices  $k$  and  $j$  and using (1.3),

$$(2.18) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{c}{4}(U_k \xi_j - U_j \xi_k) + \frac{c}{2}(h - \alpha)\phi_{kj} + A_{kr}^2 A_{js} \phi^{rs} - A_{jr}^2 A_{ks} \phi^{rs} \\ & + 2hA_{jr} A_{ks} \phi^{rs} + (\beta - h\alpha)(A_{kr} \phi_j^r - A_{jr} \phi_k^r) \\ & = A_{ks}(\nabla_j A_r^s)\xi^r - A_{js}(\nabla_k A_r^s)\xi^r + (\beta_k - h\alpha_k)\xi_j - (\beta_j - h\alpha_j)\xi_k. \end{aligned}$$

If we take the inner product this with  $\mu W^j$  and use (1.3), (2.6), (2.7), (2.11), (2.13), (2.16) and (2.17), then we can obtain (for detail see [4])

$$(2.19) \quad \left\{2(\beta - \alpha^2) - \frac{c}{4}\right\} A_{jr}U^r = \{h(\beta - \alpha^2) + c(\alpha - h)\}U_j.$$

### 3. Proof of theorem

In the first place, we prove that

LEMMA 1. *Let  $M$  be a real hypersurface with constant mean curvature in  $M_n(c)$ ,  $c \neq 0$ . If it satisfies  $\nabla_\xi S = 0$  and (2.2), then*

$$(3.1) \quad A_{jr}U^r = \lambda U_j,$$

where  $\lambda$  is defined by

$$(3.2) \quad (\beta - \alpha^2)(2\lambda - h) = \frac{c}{4}(\lambda + 4\alpha - 4h).$$

PROOF. Let  $M_0$  be the set of points in  $\Omega$  such that  $U$  is not principal. By (2.19) we then have  $\beta - \alpha^2 = \frac{c}{8}$  on  $M_0$ . Thus we may only consider the case where  $c = 4$  and hence  $\beta - \alpha^2 = \frac{1}{2}$  on  $M_0$  because  $\beta - \alpha^2$  is non-negative. Therefore (2.18) implies  $h = \frac{8}{7}\alpha$  and consequently  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constant on  $M_0$  since the mean curvature of  $M$  is constant. Thus (2.16) and (2.17) are reduced respectively to

$$3A_{jr}U^r - \alpha U_j = 0, \quad (h + \alpha)A_{jr}U^r - (\beta + 1)U_j = 0$$

on  $M_0$ , which produce a contradiction. Hence (2.19) implies (3.1) and (3.2). This completes the proof.  $\square$

On the other hand, because of (2.13) and (3.1) we have

$$(3.3) \quad \lambda^2 = h\lambda + \beta - h\alpha + \frac{3}{4}c$$

on  $\Omega$ , which implies

$$(3.4) \quad (2\lambda - h)\lambda_j = \beta_j - h\alpha_j.$$

Differentiating (3.2) covariantly along  $\Omega$ , we find

$$(3.5) \quad (2\lambda - h)\beta_j - \{2\alpha(2\lambda - h) + c\}\alpha_j + \left\{2(\beta - \alpha^2) - \frac{c}{4}\right\}\lambda_j = 0.$$

Since  $h$  is constant, it follows, using (2.4) and (2.12), that

$$(3.6) \quad \beta_t \xi^t = h\alpha_t \xi^t.$$

REMARK. The function  $2\lambda - h$  has no zero point on  $\Omega$ . In fact, let  $\Omega_0$  be a set of points in  $\Omega$  such that  $2\lambda - h = 0$ . Then  $\beta_j - h\alpha_j = 0$  on the connected components of  $\Omega_0$  because of (3.4), and hence  $\sigma$  is constant by virtue of (2.4). Therefore the set  $\Omega$  is empty because of Theorem E.

From (3.4) and (3.6), we see that  $(2\lambda - h)\lambda_t \xi^t = 0$  and consequently  $\lambda_t \xi^t = 0$  because  $2\lambda - h$  has no zero point. Thus if we take the inner product (3.5) with  $\xi^j$  and make use of (3.6), then we obtain  $\{(h - 2\alpha)(2\lambda - h) - c\}\alpha_t \xi^t = 0$  and hence  $(2\lambda - h)\alpha_t \xi^t = 0$  on  $\Omega$ . Accordingly we have

$$(3.7) \quad \alpha_t \xi^t = 0.$$

In the next place we prove the following:

LEMMA 2. Under the same assumptions as those stated in Lemma 1, we have

$$(3.8) \quad (\beta - \alpha^2)\lambda_j = (\lambda_t U^t)U_j.$$

PROOF. Taking the inner product (2.1) with  $U^k$  and making use of (1.4), (1.10) and (3.1), we find

$$\begin{aligned} & (h - \lambda)(\nabla_j A_{rs})U^r \xi^s - A_j{}^r(\nabla_k A_{rs})U^k \xi^s \\ &= \frac{3}{4}c(\beta - \alpha^2)\xi_j + \frac{c}{4}\mu(\lambda - h)W_j - \frac{c}{4}\mu A_{jr}W^r. \end{aligned}$$

Transvecting (2.18) with  $U^k$  and using (1.4), (1.10), (2.6) and (2.7), we also obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \lambda(\nabla_j A_{rs})\xi^r U^s - A_j{}^r(\nabla_k A_{rs})U^k \xi^s \\ &= \left\{ \frac{c}{4}(\beta - \alpha^2) - \beta_t U^t + h\alpha_t U^t \right\} \xi_j - \frac{c}{2}(h - \alpha)W_j - \frac{3}{4}c\mu A_{jr}W^r. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the last two equations, it follows that

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} & (h - 2\lambda)(\nabla_j A_{rs})\xi^r U^s \\ &= \{ \beta_t U^t - h\alpha_t U^t + c(\beta - \alpha^2) \} \xi_j + \frac{c}{4}\mu(\lambda + 3h - 4\alpha)W_j \end{aligned}$$

since we have (2.6).

On the other hand, differentiating the second equations of (1.1) co-variantly and using (1.1), we have

$$\nabla_k \nabla_j \xi_i = (A_{jr} \xi^r)A_{ki} - A_{jk}{}^2 \xi_i - (\nabla_k A_{jr})\phi_i{}^r,$$

which together with (1.3) and (3.1) yields

$$U^k \xi^j \nabla_k \nabla_j \xi_i = (\alpha\lambda + \frac{c}{2})U_i - (\nabla_j A_{st})\xi^s U^t \phi_i{}^j.$$

From this and (3.9) we get

$$(3.10) \quad (h - 2\lambda)U^k \xi^j \nabla_k \nabla_j \xi_i = \left\{ (\alpha\lambda + \frac{c}{2})(h - 2\lambda) + \frac{c}{4}(\lambda + 3h - 4\alpha) \right\} U_j.$$

Since we have  $U_i = \xi^r \nabla_r \xi_i$ , differentiation covariantly gives

$$\nabla_j U_i = (\nabla_j \xi^r)(\nabla_r \xi_i) + \xi^r \nabla_j \nabla_r \xi_i,$$

which implies

$$U^j \nabla_j U_i = -\lambda(h - \alpha)U_i + U^j \xi^r \nabla_j \nabla_r \xi_i,$$

because we have (1.1), (1.4), (1.10), (2.6) and (3.1). Substituting this into (3.10), we find

$$(h - 2\lambda)U^j \nabla_j U_i = \left\{ (h - 2\lambda) \left( 2\alpha\lambda - \lambda^2 + \frac{c}{2} \right) + \frac{c}{4}(\lambda + 3h - 4\alpha) \right\} U_i,$$

which together with (3.1) implies that

$$(3.11) \quad A_{kr}U^j \nabla_j U^r - \lambda U^j \nabla_j U_k = 0$$

because  $2\lambda - h$  has no zero point.

Differentiating (3.1) covariantly along  $\Omega$ , we get

$$(\nabla_k A_{jr})U^r + A_j{}^r \nabla_k U_r = \lambda_k U_j + \lambda \nabla_k U_j,$$

from which, taking the skew-symmetric part and making use of (1.3),

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{c}{4}(\xi_k \phi_{jr} U^r - \xi_j \phi_{kr} U^r) + A_j{}^r \nabla_k U_r - A_k{}^r \nabla_j U_r \\ & = \lambda_k U_j - \lambda_j U_k + \lambda(\nabla_k U_j - \nabla_j U_k). \end{aligned}$$

If we take the inner product  $U^k$  to this and use (3.1) and (3.11), then we obtain (3.8). Hence we arrive at the conclusion.  $\square$

Finally we are going to prove, using Lemma 1 and Lemma 2, that the structure vector field  $\xi$  is principal.

Transvecting (2.16) and (2.17) with  $U^j$  and taking account of (2.13) and (3.1) we have respectively

$$(3.12) \quad \alpha_t U^t = (\alpha - 3\lambda)(\beta - \alpha^2), \quad \beta_t U^t = \left\{ 2\beta + \frac{c}{2} - (h + \alpha)\lambda \right\} (\beta - \alpha^2),$$

where we have used (2.3) and (3.1). From these and (3.4), it is seen that

$$(3.13) \quad (2\lambda - h)\lambda_t U^t = \left(\lambda h - 3\alpha\lambda + 2\beta + \frac{c}{2}\right) (\beta - \alpha^2).$$

Thus, (3.8) turns out to be

$$(3.14) \quad (2\lambda - h)\lambda_j = (\lambda h - 3\alpha\lambda + 2\beta + \frac{c}{2})U_j.$$

Differentiating (3.14) covariantly along  $\Omega$ , we find

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\lambda_k \lambda_j + (2\lambda - h)\nabla_k \lambda_j \\ &= (h\lambda_k - 3\lambda\alpha_k - 3\alpha\lambda_k + 2\beta_k)U_j + (\lambda h - 3\alpha\lambda + 2\beta + \frac{c}{2})\nabla_k U_j, \end{aligned}$$

from which, taking the skew-symmetric part and using (3.14),

$$\begin{aligned} & (2\beta_k - 3\lambda\alpha_k)U_j - (2\beta_j - 3\lambda\alpha_j)U_k \\ &+ (\lambda h - 3\alpha\lambda + 2\beta + \frac{c}{2})(\nabla_k U_j - \nabla_j U_k) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Transvecting this with  $\xi^k$  and making use of (3.6), (3.7) and (3.13), we obtain

$$(2\lambda - h)(\lambda_t U^t)\xi^k(\nabla_k U_j - \nabla_j U_k) = 0.$$

Thus, it is, owing to Theorem E and Remark, seen that

$$\xi^k(\nabla_k U_j - \nabla_j U_k) = 0$$

because of (3.4), (3.12) and (3.13). By using (1.1), (1.4), (1.9), (1.10), (2.6) and (3.1), the above equation is reduced to

$$\phi_{jr}\alpha^r = \mu(h - 3\lambda)W_j.$$

If we take the inner product  $W^j$  to this, then we have  $\alpha_t U^t = \mu^2(h - 3\lambda)$ , which together with the first equation of (3.12) gives  $h = \alpha$  and hence  $\alpha$  is constant. Thus  $\lambda$  is constant on  $\Omega$ . Therefore  $\beta$  is constant on  $\Omega$  because of (3.4) and consequently  $\sigma = \text{const.}$  since we have (2.4). By Theorem E, we see that  $\xi$  is a principal curvature vector. This completes the proof.

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