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**Para-Kählerian manifolds  
having the self-orthogonal Killing property (\*\*)**

Let  $M(\Omega, g, \mathcal{U})$  be a para-Kählerian manifold, that is a neutral  $C^\infty$  pseudo-Riemannian manifold having a Kählerian structure [5].

The structure tensors are: a canonical symplectic form  $\Omega$ , a para-Hermitian metric tensor  $g$ , exchangeable with  $\Omega$ , the para-complex operator  $\mathcal{U}$  ( $\mathcal{U}^2 = +1$ ). If  $T_p(M)$  is the tangent space at  $p \in M$  to  $M$ , one has the decomposition  $T_p(M) = S_p(M) \oplus S_p^*(M)$ . If  $\dim M = 2n$ ,  $S_p(M)$  and  $S_p^*(M)$  are two self-orthogonal (abr. s.o.) vectorial sub-spaces of dimension  $n$  and the pair  $(S_p(M), S_p^*(M))$  defines an involutive automorphism.

Let  $\mathcal{R}(M)$  be the bundle of real Witt frames over  $M$  and  $\mathcal{R} = \{h_A\}$  ( $1 \leq A, B, C \leq 2n$ ), where  $h_A$  are null real vector fields, an element of  $\mathcal{R}(M)$ . If in the neighborhood of each point  $p \in M$  there exists an  $\mathcal{R}$  such that the vector fields  $h_a \in S_p(M)$  ( $a = 1, \dots, n; a^* = a + n$ ) are Killing vector fields we say that  $M$  has the s.o. Killing property. In this case it is proved that the s.o. vectorial sub space  $S_p^*(M) = \{h_{a^*}\}$  is *auto-parallel* and the whole manifold  $M$  has the *divergence property* [1]. Moreover:

(i) any vector field  $X^* \in S_p^*(M)$  is an *isovector* of the Pfaffian system defined by the covectors corresponding to the dual of  $S_p(M)$ ;

(ii) if  $X \in S_p(M)$  is any Killing vector field, then the following two properties are equivalent

- (a)  $X$  is a *local Hamiltonian* of  $\Omega$ ,
- (b)  $X$  is a *parallel vector* field.

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Next the following proper and improper immersions in  $M$  are considered:

(i) The proper immersion  $x: M_I \rightarrow M$  where  $M_I$  is an *invariant* sub-manifold of  $M$ . If the codimension of  $M_I$  is  $2r$ , then  $x$  is of *geodesic index*  $r$ .

(ii) The proper immersion  $x: M_A \rightarrow M$  where  $M_A$  is an *anti-invariant* manifold of dimension  $n$ ; then  $M_A$  is always *minimal*.

(iii) The improper immersion  $x: M_C \rightarrow M$  where  $M_C$  is a co-isotropic hypersurface whose normal  $h_a$  is in the s.o. Killing sub-space  $S_p(M)$ ; this immersion is geodesic. Moreover the normal covector  $\omega^a$  defines with the restriction  $\Omega|_{M_C}$  a *semi-cosymplectic structure*.

(iv) The improper immersion  $x: M_L \rightarrow M$  where  $M_L$  is a *mixed Lagrangian* sub manifold of  $M$ ; this immersion is *totally geodesic*.

**1** - Let  $(M, \Omega, g, \mathcal{U})$  be a para-Kählerian manifold [5] of dimension  $2n$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}(M)$  be the bundle of real Witt frames over  $M$  and let  $\mathcal{R} \in \mathcal{R}(M)$  be an element of  $\mathcal{R}(M)$ . Denote by  $\{h_A\}$  ( $1 \leq A, B, C \leq 2n$ ) the null real vectorial basis of  $\mathcal{R}$  and by  $\{\omega^A\}$  its dual basis. If  $T_p(M)$  is the tangent space at  $p \in M$  to  $M$  one has the decomposition of Libermann [5]

$$(1.1) \quad T_p(M) = S_p(M) \oplus S_p^*(M) .$$

In (1.1)  $S_p(M)$  and  $S_p^*(M)$  are two self-orthogonal [5] (abr s.o.) sub-spaces defined by  $h_a$  ( $1 \leq a \leq n$ ) and  $h_{a^*}$  ( $a^* = a + n$ ) respectively.  $\mathcal{U}$  is the para-complex operator [5] and the pair  $(S_p, S_p^*)$  defines an involutive automorphism such that

$$(1.2) \quad \mathcal{U}h_a = h_a, \quad \mathcal{U}h_{a^*} = -h_{a^*} .$$

The line element  $dp$  on  $R(M)$  is

$$(1.3) \quad dp = \omega^A \oplus h_A$$

and  $\mathcal{R}$  being normed one has  $\langle h_a, h_b \rangle = \delta_{ab}$ . The metric tensor  $g$  of  $M$  has the para-Hermitian form

$$(1.4) \quad g = 2 \sum_a \omega^a \otimes \omega^{a^*}$$

and it is exchangeable with the symplectic form

$$(1.5) \quad \Omega = \sum_a \omega^a \wedge \omega^{a^*} .$$

If  $\theta^A = l^A_{BC} \omega^C$  ( $l^A_{BC} \in C^\infty(M)$ ) are the connection forms on  $\mathcal{B}(M)$  and  $\nabla$  is the covariant derivation operator defined by  $g$ , the structure equations (F. Cartan) in compact notation are:

$$(1.6) \quad \nabla h = \theta \otimes h;$$

$$(1.7) \quad d \wedge \omega = -\theta \wedge \omega, \quad d \wedge: \text{exterior differentiation};$$

$$(1.8) \quad d \wedge \theta = -\theta \wedge \theta + \Theta, \quad \Theta: \text{curvature 2-forms}.$$

The para-Hermitian metric of  $M$  gives, making use of (1.6)

$$(1.9) \quad \theta^b_a + \theta^{a*}_{b^*} = 0$$

and the Kählerian structure of  $M$  implies that the connection matrix  $\mathcal{M}_\theta$  is a Chern-Liebermann matrix, that is

$$(1.10) \quad \mathcal{M}_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \theta^a_b & 0 \\ 0 & \theta^{a*}_{b^*} \end{pmatrix}.$$

2 - According to D'Atri and Nickerson [1] we give the following

Definition. We say that a manifold  $M$  has the *s.o. Killing property* if in the neighbourhood of each point  $p \in M$  there exists a frame  $\mathcal{B}(S_p, S^*_p)$  such that the null vectors of one or the s.o. sub spaces  $S_p(M)$  or  $S^*_p(M)$  are Killing vector fields. Suppose that the vector fields  $h_a \in S_p(M)$  are Killing vector fields. This condition is expressed in intrinsic manner by

$$(2.1) \quad \langle \nabla_Z h_a, Z' \rangle + \langle \nabla_{Z'} h_a, Z \rangle = 0, \quad \forall Z, Z' \in T_p(M).$$

Taking account of the metric (1.4) and making use of (1.6), equations (2.1) give

$$(2.2) \quad l^b_{ab} = 0, \quad l^a_{cb} + l^b_{ca} = 0, \quad l^a_{b^*c^*} = 0, \quad \forall C$$

and this implies, as it is known,  $\text{div } h_a = 0$ . But if  $\eta = \omega^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega^n \wedge \omega^{n+1} \wedge \dots \wedge \omega^{2n}$  is the volume element on  $M$ , one has  $\mathcal{L}_{h_a^*} \eta = (\text{div } h_a^*) \eta$  ( $\mathcal{L}_X$ : Lie derivative in the direction of the vector field  $X \in T(M)$ ). With the help of (1.7) and (1.10) one finds

$$(2.3) \quad \text{div } h_{a^*} = \sum_b l^a_{b^*b^*},$$

and by (2.2) one has

$$(2.4) \quad \operatorname{div} h_{a^*} = 0.$$

So referring to [1] one may say that if a para-Kählerian manifold  $M$  has the s.o. Killing property then it has the *divergence property*. Moreover, by (1.10) and (2.2) one easily gets

$$(2.5) \quad \nabla_{h_{a^*}} h_{b^*} = 0 \quad \forall a^*, b^* \in \{n+1, \dots, 2n\},$$

and this shows that  $S_p^*$  is *auto-parallel*.

In the following we shall call  $S_p(M)$  and  $S_p^*(M)$  the *Killing s.o. space* and the *auto-parallel s.o. space* respectively.

We shall now *point out some properties* of the Lie Algebra defined by the real vector space  $X^* \in S_p^*$ . By means of (1.7) and (2.2) one finds

$$(2.6) \quad \{\forall X^* \in S_p^*; \quad \Sigma: \omega^b = 0; \quad b = 1, \dots, n; \quad \mathcal{L}_{X^*} \omega^b = 0\}.$$

The above equations prove that any vector field  $X^* \in \cup S_p^*$  is an *isovector* of the Pfaffian system  $\Sigma$  (one may also say that  $X^*$  are local *invariant sections* of  $\omega^b$  [6]).

Putting  $\nabla_{h_a} h_a = -A_{h_a} h_a$  [3] one deduces from (1.6), (2.2) and (1.5)

$$(2.7) \quad \Omega(A_{h_a} h_a, A_{h_b} h_b) = 0.$$

Hence the vector fields  $A_{h_a} h_a$  are in *involution* with respect to the symplectic form  $\Omega$ .

Let now

$$(2.8) \quad X = \sum_a t^a h_a \in S_p(M), \quad t^a \in C^\infty(M),$$

be any vector field of the s.o. Killing vector space  $S_p(M)$ .

Suppose that  $X$  is a Killing vector field on  $M$ . Taking account of (2.2) we get

$$(2.9) \quad t_{;b}^a + t_{;a}^b = 0, \quad t_{;b^*}^a = 0,$$

where; indicates the Pfaffian derivative. On the other hand, taking account of (2.2), equations (1.7) take for the covectors  $\omega^{a^*}$  of the dual of  $S_p^*(M)$  the following form

$$(2.10) \quad d \wedge \omega^{a^*} = \sum_b \left( \sum_c t_{ac}^b \omega^c \right) \wedge \omega^{b^*} \quad (c \neq b).$$

Let  $\mu: X \rightarrow i_x \Omega$  ( $i_x$  interior product) be the bundle isomorphism defined by  $\Omega$ . Then if  $X \in S_p(M)$  is the Killing vector field defined by (2.8), the necessary and sufficient condition for  $X$  to be a *local Hamiltonian* of  $\Omega$  is

$$(2.11) \quad d \wedge i_x \Omega = 0.$$

Since  $X \in S_p(M)$ , equation (2.11) gives with the help of (2.9) and (2.10)

$$(2.12) \quad t_{;b}^a + \sum_c t^c t_{cb}^a = 0 \quad (b \neq a).$$

Consider now the covariant derivative  $\nabla X$  of  $X$ . One has, as it is known,  $\nabla X = \nabla(t^a h_a) = dt^a \otimes h_a + t^a \nabla h_a$ , and referring to (2.12) one finds after a short calculation

$$(2.13) \quad d \wedge i_x \Omega = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nabla X = 0.$$

**Theorem.** *Let  $M(\Omega, g, \mathcal{U})$  be a para-Kählerian manifold having the s.o. Killing property and let  $S_p(M)$  and  $S_p^*(M)$  be the two s.o. components of the tangent space  $T_p(M)$ . Then:*

- (i)  $M$  has the divergence property;
- (ii) if  $S_p(M)$  is the Killing s.o. vector space then its complementary  $S_p^*(M)$  is auto parallel;
- (iii) any vector field  $X^* \in S_p^*(M)$  is an isovector of the Pfaffian system defined by the covectors corresponding to  $S_p(M)$ ;
- (iv) if  $X \in S_p(M)$  is any Killing vector field, then the following two properties are equivalent: (a)  $X$  is a local Hamiltonian of the symplectic structure  $S_p(n, R)$  defined by  $\Omega$ ; (b)  $X$  is a parallel vector field.

**3** - Let  $x: M_I \rightarrow M$  be the immersion of any invariant [4], [7]<sub>1</sub> submanifold  $M_I$  of  $M(\mathcal{U}T_{x(p)}(M_I) = T_{x(p)}(M_I))$ .

If  $M$  is any para-Kählerian manifold we have proved [9] that  $M_I$  is *minimal*. Suppose that  $M_I$  is defined by the Pfaffian system

$$(3.1) \quad \omega^r = 0, \quad \omega^{r^*} = 0 \quad (r = 1, \dots, p; r^* = r + n).$$

(we shall denote by the same letters the elements induced by  $x$ ). Referring to (2.2), the exterior differentiation of (3.1), quickly gives

$$(3.2) \quad l_{ij}^i = 0 \quad (i \neq j) \quad (i, j = p + 1, \dots, n; i^* = i + n).$$

Let then

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} l_r &= -\langle dx(p), \nabla h_r \rangle = -\Sigma \omega^{i*} \otimes \theta_r^i, \\ l_{r*} &= -\langle dx(p), \nabla h_{r*} \rangle = \Sigma \omega^i \otimes \theta_r^i, \end{aligned}$$

be the second quadratic forms associated with  $x$ . It is readily shown by (3.2) that all quadratic forms  $l_r$  vanish; consequently the normal sections  $h_r \in S_r(M)$  are *geodesic*. Since  $l_{r*} \neq 0$ , we shall say that the immersion  $x: M_I \rightarrow M$  is of *geodesic index*  $r$ .

Consider now an *antivariant* submanifold  $M_A \subset M$  of maximal dimension  $n$ . According to the general definition [11], [7]<sub>2</sub> one has  $\mathcal{U}T_{x(p)}(M_A) = T_{x(p)}^\perp(M_A)$ , ( $T_{x(p)}^\perp(M_A)$ : normal space to  $M_A$  at  $x(p) \in M_A$ ). So  $M_A$  is defined by the Pfaffian system

$$(3.4) \quad \omega^a = \omega^{a*}.$$

Making use of (1.7) we derive from (3.1)

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_a \omega^a \wedge \theta_b^a + \omega^a \wedge \theta_a^b = 0.$$

If  $e_a$  is the vectorial basis of  $T_{x(p)}(M_A)$ , then the mean curvature vectorial from  $\Theta$  associated with  $x$  is as it is known

$$(3.6) \quad \Theta = \Sigma (-1)^{a-1} \omega^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \hat{\omega}^a \wedge \dots \wedge \omega^n \otimes e_a$$

( $\wedge$  indicates the missing term; we denote the elements induced by  $x$  with the same letters). If  $\eta = \omega^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \omega^n$  is the volume element of  $M$ , then

$$(3.7) \quad d \wedge \Theta = nH \otimes \eta,$$

where  $H$  is the *mean curvature vector* associated with  $x$ . Taking the exterior differentiation of (3.6) and making use of (3.7) and (1.7), one obtains

$$(3.8) \quad nH = \sum_a \left( \sum_b l_{bb}^a + l_{ab}^b \right) n_a,$$

where  $n_a$  are the normal sections on  $M_A$ . But taking account of (2.2) we get from (3.2)  $l_{bb}^a = 0$ , and since by (2.2) one has  $l_{ab}^b = 0$  it follows  $H = 0$ . Hence  $M_A$  is a *minimal* submanifold of  $M$ .

In the third place consider the improper immersion  $x: M_c \rightarrow M$ , where  $M_c$  a hypersurface defined by

$$(3.9) \quad \omega^{a*} = 0 .$$

In this case one easily sees that  $h_a \subset T_{x(p)}(M_c) \cap T_{x(p)}^\perp(M_c)$ .

Therefore, the tangent vector field  $h_a$  being in the normal space  $T_{x(p)}(M_c)$ , the hypersurface  $M_c$  is called *co-isotropic* [8] ( $M_a$  may be also considered as a CR-manifold [7]<sub>1</sub>).

Exterior differentiation of (3.9) gives, taking account of (2.2),

$$(3.10) \quad l_{ac}^b = 0 , \quad b \neq a .$$

But  $h_a$  being a normal section, the second quadratic form associated with  $x$  is

$$(3.11) \quad l_a = \langle dp, \nabla h_a \rangle = \Sigma \theta_a^b \otimes \omega^{b*} , \quad b \neq a .$$

So by (3.10) it follows  $l_a = 0$  and this shows that the improper immersion  $x: M_c \rightarrow M$  is *geodesic*.

Further since the induced forms  $\Omega|_{M_c}$  are

$$(3.12) \quad \Omega|_{M_c} = \omega^1 \wedge \omega^{1*} + \dots + \widehat{\omega^a \wedge \omega^{a*}} + \dots + \omega^n \wedge \omega^{n*}$$

( $\wedge$ : missing terms), one easily sees that  $\Omega|_{M_c}$  is of constant class  $2n - 2$ . On the other hand after a straight forward calculation one finds

$$(3.13) \quad d \wedge \omega^a = \sum_{b < c} (l_{bc}^a - l_{cb}^a) \omega^b \wedge \omega^c \quad (b, c \neq a) .$$

One derives

$$(3.14) \quad \omega^a \wedge (d \wedge \omega^a) \neq 0 , \quad (d \wedge \omega^a)^n = 0 ,$$

and the above relations prove that  $\omega^a$  is of class 3 [2]. Obviously one has  $(d \wedge \Omega|_{M_c})^{n-1} \wedge \omega^a \neq 0$ ; hence  $\Omega|_{M_c}$  and  $\omega^a$  define an *almost cosymplectic structure* (i.e. in the sense of  $G$ -structures,  $\{1 \times S_p(n - 1, \mathbf{R})\}$ ).

**Definition.** Let  $1 \times S_p(n, R)$  be an almost cosymplectic structure defined by a 2-form  $\Omega$  and a 1-form  $\omega$ . We say that the pair  $(\Omega, \omega)$  defines a *semi-*

cosymplectic structure iff: (i)  $\Omega$  is closed; (ii)  $\omega$  is of odd class; (iii) the canonical vector field  $h$  of  $\{1 \times S_p(n, \mathbf{R})\}$  is an infinitesimal automorphism of both  $\Omega$  and  $\omega$ .

Since in the case under discussion the canonical vector field associated with  $1 \times S_p(n - 1, \mathbf{R})$  is  $h_a$ , one readily finds by (3.12) and (3.14)

$$(3.15) \quad \mathcal{L}_{h_a} \Omega|_{M_G} = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}_{h_a} \omega^a = 0.$$

On the other hand in our case  $h_a \in S_p(M)$  is a Killing vector field.

So according to (3.15) we shall say that the triple  $(\Omega|_{M_G}, \omega^a, h_a)$  defines a *K-semi cosymplectic structure*. Finally we shall consider the improper immersion  $x: M_L \rightarrow M$ , where  $M_L$  is a *Lagrangian submanifold* [2] of  $M$  (if  $T_{x(p)}(M_L)$  is the tangent space at  $x(p) \in M_L$ , then  $T_{x(p)}(M_L) = T_{x(p)}^\perp(M_L)$ ).

Clearly the s.o. subspaces  $S_p(M)$  and  $S_p^*(M)$  are Lagrangian planes (a Lagrangian plane  $L$  is by definition  $n$ -dimensional and such that  $L = L^\perp$ ,  $\Omega|_L = 0$  [2]).

We agree to call  $S_p(M)$  and  $S_p^*(M)$  the *principal Lagrangian planes* associated with a para-Hermitian metric. Any other Lagrangian plane will be denominated a *mixed Lagrangian plane* (the corresponding tangent manifold is then a mixed Lagrangian submanifold). Let then  $x: M_L \rightarrow M$  be the improper immersion of a mixed Lagrangian submanifold  $M_L$  in  $M$ . Assume that  $M_L$  is defined by

$$(3.16) \quad \omega^r = 0, \quad \omega^{s^*} = 0 \quad (s^* \neq r^*),$$

with  $r = 1, \dots, p$ ;  $s = p + 1, \dots, n$ . Denote by  $\Sigma_p(M) = \{h_i; i \neq r\}$  (resp.  $\Sigma_p^*(M) = \{h_j^*; j^* \neq s^*\}$ ) the complementary sub-space of  $\{h_r\}$  in  $S_p(M)$  (resp. of  $\{h_{s^*}\}$  in  $S_p^*(M)$ ). The line element  $dx(p)$  of  $M_L$  is expressed by

$$(3.17) \quad dx(p) = \omega^i \otimes h_i + \omega^{j^*} \otimes h_{j^*}.$$

Then since by definition  $h_i$  and  $h_{j^*}$  are normal sections, one finds by (1.6)

$$(3.18) \quad l_i = \sum_j \theta_j^i \otimes \omega^{j^*}, \quad (3.19) \quad l_{j^*} = - \sum_i \theta_i^j \otimes \omega^i.$$

Next taking the exterior differentiation of (3.16) one gets after a straightforward calculation  $\theta_i^j = 0$ . Consequently the improper immersion  $x$  is *totally geodesic*.

**Theorem.** *Let  $M(\Omega, g, \mathcal{U})$  be a para-Kählerian manifold having the s.o. Killing property. One has the following proper and improper immersions in  $M$ :*



(i) *The proper immersion  $x: M_I \rightarrow M$ , where  $M_I$  is an invariant submanifold of  $M$ . In this case all normal sections of the s.o. Killing sub-space  $S_p(M)$  are geodesic and if  $2r$  is the codimension of  $M_I$ , the immersion  $x$  is of geodesic index  $r$ .*

(ii) *The proper immersion  $x: M_A \rightarrow M$ , where  $M_A$  is an anti-invariant submanifold of dimension  $n$ . This immersion is always minimal.*

(iii) *The improper immersion  $x: M_C \rightarrow M$ , where  $M_C$  is a co-isotropic hypersurface whose normal  $h_a$  is in the s.o. Killing sub-space  $S_p(M)$ . This immersion is geodesic.*

*Moreover the normal covector  $\omega^a$  defines, with the restriction on  $M_C$  of  $\Omega$ , a  $K$ -semicosymplectic structure.*

(iv) *The improper immersion  $x: M_L \rightarrow M$  where  $M_L$  is a mixed Lagrangian submanifold of  $M$ . This immersion is totally geodesic.*

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## R é s u m é

Soit  $M(\Omega, g, \mathcal{W})$  une variété para-Kählerienne et soient  $S_p(M)$  et  $S_p^*(M)$  les deux sous espaces self-orthogonaux (abr. s.o.) de la décomposition canonique de l'espace tangent  $T_p(M) = S_p(M) \oplus S_p^*(M)$ .

Si les champs vectoriels (isotropes) de la base de l'un de ces sous-espaces sont des champs de Killing, on dit que  $M$  possède la propriété de Killing self-orthogonale. Dans ce cas toute la variété  $M$  possède la propriété de la divergence et différentes propriétés ayant trait à l'algèbre de Lie sur  $M$  sont étudiées. On considère ensuite différents types d'immersions propres et impropres dans  $M$ .

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