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## NOTES ON A K-SPACE OF CONSTANT HOLOMORPHIC SECTIONAL CURVATURE

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§1. Introduction. Let M be an almost Hermitian manifold of dimension n with an almost Hermitian structure (F, g), i.e. with an almost complex structure tensor F and a positive definite Riemannian metric tensor g satisfying  $F^2 = -I$  and g(FX, FY) = g(X, Y) for any vector fields X and Y on M where I denotes the identity transformation. By R we denote the Riemannian curvature tensor;  $R(X, Y)Z = [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y]Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]}Z$  where  $\nabla$  is the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to g.

If M satisfies

(1.1) 
$$(\nabla_X F)Y + (\nabla_Y F)X = 0$$
 (or equivalently  $(\nabla_X F)X = 0$ )

for any vector fields X and Y on M, then M is called a K-space (or Tachibana space or nearly Kähler manifold). A Kähler manifold is a K-space but a K-space is not necessarily a Kähler manifold [2].

Now, let M be an almost Hermitian manifold and  $T_m(M)$  a tangent space of M at a point  $m \in M$ . Then the holomorphic sectional curvature H(X) with respect to a unit vector  $X \in T_m(M)$  is defined by H(X) = -g(R(X, FX)X, FX). If H(X) is always constant with respect to any unit vector  $X \in T_m(M)$ , then M is said to be of constant holomorphic sectional curvature at a point  $m \in M$ . Moreover, if H(X) is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature at every point  $m \in M$ , then M is said to be of constant holomorphic sectional curvature. Since the constant H(X) here depends on the point  $m \in M$ , we shall write c(m) instead of H(X).

It is well known that if a Kähler manifold M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature c(m) at every point  $m \in M$ , then the Riemannian curvature tensor of M, R(X, Y, Z, W) = g(R(X, Y)Z, W) is of the form

(1.2) 
$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = \frac{c(m)}{4} \{g(X, W)g(Y, Z) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W) + g(X, FW)g(Y, FZ) - g(X, FZ)g(Y, FW) - 2g(X, FY)g(Z, FW)\}$$

for any vectors X, Y, Z,  $W \in T_m(M)$  and the scalar c(m) is an absolute constant [9].

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The purpose of this note is to prove the following theorem which is a generalization of the above result to a K-space and its some applications will be stated in § 4.

THEOREM. If a K-space M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature c(m) at every point  $m \in M$ , then the Riemannian curvature tensor of M is of the form

(1.3) 
$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = \frac{c(m)}{4} \{g(X, W)g(Y, Z) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W) + g(X, FW)g(Y, FZ) - g(X, FZ)g(Y, FW) - 2g(X, FY)g(Z, FW)\} + \frac{1}{4} \{g((\nabla_x F)W, (\nabla_Y F)Z) - g((\nabla_x F)Z, (\nabla_Y F)W) - 2g((\nabla_x F)Y, (\nabla_Z F)W)\}$$

for any vectors  $X, Y, Z, W \in T_m(M)$  and the scalar c(m) is an absolute constant.

§2. Preliminaries. Let M be a K-space and  $R_{kji}^{h_{1j}}$ ,  $R_{ji}$ ,  $F_{j}^{i}$  and  $g_{ji}$  the local components of the Riemannian curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor, the almost complex structure tensor and the metric tensor respectively and put  $R_{kjih} = g_{ah}R_{kji}^{a}$ ,  $F_{ji} = g_{ai}F_{j}^{a}$  etc..

The following identities in a K-space [4], [5] are well known.

(2.1) 
$$\nabla_j F_{ih} + \nabla_i F_{jh} = 0,$$

(2.2) 
$$\nabla_j F_{ih} + F_j{}^a F_i{}^b \nabla_a F_{bh} = 0 ,$$

where  $R_{ji} = \frac{1}{2} F^{ab} R_{abti} F_j^t$ .

(2.4) 
$$R_{ji} = F_{j}^{a} F_{i}^{b} R_{ab}, \qquad R^{*}_{ji} = F_{j}^{a} R_{i}^{b} R^{*}_{ab},$$

(2.5) 
$$(\nabla_{j}F_{ts})\nabla_{i}F^{ts} = R_{ji} - R^{*}_{ji},$$

(2.6) 
$$(\nabla_j F_{ts}) \nabla^j F^{ts} = S - S^* = \text{constant} \ge 0$$

where  $S = g^{ji} R_{ji}$  and  $S^* = g^{ji} R^*_{ji}$ .

(2.7) 
$$\nabla_j R^*{}_i{}^j = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_i S^*, \quad \nabla_j R_i{}^j - \nabla_j R^*{}_i{}^j = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_i S - \nabla_i S^*) = 0 \quad [3],$$

(2.8) 
$$R_{jikh} - F_j^a F_i^b R_{abkh} = -(\nabla_j F_i^r) \nabla_k F_{hr} [1].$$

In this place, multiplying (2.8) by  $\nabla_{\!s} F^{\,ji}$  and making use of (2.2) and (2.5), we have

1) The Latin indices run over the range  $1, 2, \dots, n$ .

$$2(\nabla_s F^{ji})R_{jikh} = -(R_s^r - R_s^{*r})\nabla_k F_{hr}$$

and then, moreover multiplying the last equation by  $\nabla^s F^{kh}$ , we have

$$2\nabla_{\!s}F^{ji}(\nabla^{\!s}F^{\,kh})R_{jikh} \!=\! -(R_s^{\,r} \!-\! R^{*}{}_s^{\,r})(\nabla_{k}F_{hr})\nabla^{\!s}F^{\,kh}$$

or

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(2.9) 
$$\nabla^{j} F^{i}_{s} (\nabla^{k} F^{hs}) R_{jikh} = -\frac{1}{2} (R_{ji} - R^{*}_{ji}) (R^{ji} - R^{*ji}).$$

Next, in (2.9), by the first Bianchi's identity, we have

$$(\nabla^{j}F_{s}^{i})\nabla^{k}F^{hs}(R_{jkhi}+R_{jhik}) = \frac{1}{2}(R_{ji}-R_{ji}^{*})(R^{ji}-R^{*ji})$$

from which we have

(2.10) 
$$\nabla^{j} F^{i}_{s} (\nabla^{k} F^{hs}) R_{jkhi} = \frac{1}{4} (R_{ji} - R^{*}_{ji}) (R^{ji} - R^{*ji}).$$

Moreover, we know the following

LEMMA 2.1. (Gray [1]) Let M be a K-space. Then we have  
(2.11) 
$$R(X, Y, X, Y) = \frac{1}{32} \{3Q(X+FY)+3Q(X-FY)-Q(X+Y) -Q(X+Y) -Q(X-Y)-4Q(X)-Q(Y)\} - \frac{3}{4} \|(\nabla_X F)Y\|^2$$

for any vectors  $X, Y \in T_m(M)$ , where Q(X) = R(X, FX, X, FX).<sup>2)</sup>

LEMMA 2.2. (Watanabe and Takamatsu [8]) Let M be a non-Kähler K-space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature. Then we have

(2.12) 
$$R_{ji} = \frac{S}{n} g_{ji}, \quad R^*_{ji} = \frac{S^*}{n} g_{ji}, \quad S = 5S^*.$$

§3. Proof of theorem. First of all, we have

$$\begin{split} \|X \pm FY\|^{4} &= g(X \pm FY, X \pm FY)^{2} \\ &= (g(X, X) + g(Y, Y))^{2} \pm 4(g(X, X) + g(Y, Y))g(X, FY) + 4g(X, FY)^{2}, \\ \|X \pm Y\|^{4} &= (g(X, X) + g(Y, Y))^{2} \pm 4(g(X, X) + g(Y, Y))g(X, Y) + 4g(X, Y)^{2}. \end{split}$$

Thus, if we put  $Q(X) = R(X, FX, X, FX) = -H(X) ||X||^4$ , i.e. for convenient we write H(X) instead of  $H\left(\frac{X}{||X||}\right)$ , then we have

<sup>2)</sup> Our curvature tensor is different from Gray's in sign.

$$\begin{split} Q(X+FY) &= -H(X+FY) \|X+YF\|^4 \\ &= -H(X+FY) \{ (g(X, X) + g(Y, Y))^2 \\ &+ 4(g(X, X) + g(Y, Y))g(X, FY) + 4g(X, FY)^2 \} \,. \end{split}$$

Similarly, calculating Q(X-FY), Q(X+Y) and Q(X-Y), and substituting these results into (2.11), we have

$$(3.1) \quad R(X, Y, X, Y) = -\frac{1}{32} [3H(X+FY)\{(g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))^2 + 4(g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))g(X, FY)+4g(X, FY)^2\} + 3H(X-FY)\{g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))g(X, FY)+4g(X, FY)^2\} - 4(g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))g(X, FY)+4g(X, FY)^2\} - H(X+Y)\{(g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))g(X, Y)+4g(X, Y)^2\} - H(X-Y)\{(g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))g(X, Y)+4g(X, Y)^2\} - 4(g(X, X)+g(Y, Y))g(X, Y)+4g(X, Y)^2\} - 4H(X)g(X, X)^2 - 4H(Y)g(Y, Y)^2] - \frac{3}{4} \|(\nabla_x F)Y\|^2.$$

Hence, for the constant holomorphic sectional curvature c(m), from (3.1) we have

(3.2) 
$$R(X, Y, X, Y) = \frac{c(m)}{4} \{g(X, Y)^2 - g(X, X)g(Y, Y) - 3g(X, FY)^2\} - \frac{3}{4} \|(\nabla_X F)Y\|^2.$$

Replacing Y by Y+W in (3.2), we have

$$\begin{split} R(X, Y, X, W) \\ &= \frac{c(m)}{4} \{ g(X, Y)g(X, W) - g(X, X)g(Y, W) - 3g(X, FY)g(X, FW) \} \\ &\quad - \frac{3}{4} g((\nabla_X F)Y, (\nabla_X F)W) \end{split}$$

and replacing X by X+Z in the last equation, we have

(3.3) 
$$R(X, Y, Z, W) + R(Z, Y, X, W) = \frac{c(m)}{4} \{g(X, W)g(Y, Z) + g(X, Y)g(Z, W) - 2g(X, Z)g(Y, W) - 3g(X, FW)g(Z, FY) - 3g(X, FY)g(Z, FW)\}$$

$$+\frac{3}{4}\{g((\nabla_{x}F)W,(\nabla_{y}F)Z)-g((\nabla_{x}F)Y,(\nabla_{z}F)W)\}$$

Interchanging X and Y in (3.3) and subtracting the equation thus obtained from (3.3), we have

$$(3.4) \qquad R(X, Y, Z, W) + R(Z, Y, X, W) - R(Y, X, Z, W) - R(Z, X, Y, W) \\ = \frac{c(m)}{4} \{g(X, W)g(Y, Z) - g(Y, W)g(X, Z) + g(X, Y)g(Z, W) \\ -g(Y, X)g(Z, W) - 2g(X, Z)g(Y, W) + 2g(Y, Z)g(X, W) \\ -3g(X, FW)g(Z, FY) + 3g(Y, FW)g(Z, FX) \\ -3g(X, FY)g(Z, FW) + 3g(Y, FX)g(Z, FW)\} \\ + \frac{3}{4} \{g((\nabla_x F)W, (\nabla_Y F)Z) - g((\nabla_x F)Z, (\nabla_Y F)W) - 2g((\nabla_x F)Y, \nabla_Z F)W)\}$$

from which (1.3) follows by virtue of the first Bianchi's identity.

Now, with local components (1.3) can be written as

(3.5) 
$$R_{kjih} = \frac{c(m)}{4} (g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{ki}g_{jh} + F_{kh}F_{ji} - F_{ki}F_{jh} - 2F_{kj}F_{ih}) - \frac{1}{4} \{2(\nabla_k F_j^{\ a})\nabla_i F_{ha} + (\nabla_i F_j^{\ a})\nabla_k F_{ha} + (\nabla_h F_j^{\ a})\nabla_i F_{ka}\}.$$

Contracting (3.5) by  $g^{kh}$ , we have

(3.6) 
$$4R_{ji} - (n+2)c(m)g_{ji} - 3(R_{ji} - R^*_{ji}) = 0.$$

Applying  $\nabla^{j}$  to (3.6) and making use of (2.7), we have

On the other hand, contracting (3.6) by  $g^{ji}$ , we have

(3.8) 
$$4S - n(n+2)c(m) - 3(S - S^*) = 0.$$

Applying  $\nabla_i$  to (3.8) and making use of (2.6), we have

(3.9) 
$$4\nabla_i S - n(n+2)\nabla_i c(m) = 0.$$

Thus, eliminating  $\nabla_i S$  from (3.7) and (3.9), we have

$$(n+2)(n-2)\nabla_i c(m) = 0$$

from which it follows that  $\nabla_i c(m) = 0$  i.e. c(m) is an absolute constant. Q.E.D.

Remark. From (3.8), by (2.12) we have

(3.10) 
$$c = c(m) = \frac{S+3S^*}{n(n+2)} = \frac{8S}{5n(n+2)}$$

and the constant>0 [6].

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§4. Some applications. In this section, making use of the main theorem we prove the following

THEOREM 4.1. Let M be a non-Kähler K-space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature. Then we have

(4.1) 
$$R_{kjih}R^{kjih} = \frac{6n+44}{25n(n+2)}S^2 = constant.$$

*Proof.* Multiplying (3.5) by  $R^{kjih}$ , we have

$$(4.2) \qquad R_{k_{j}ih}R^{k_{j}ih} = \frac{c}{4} (S + S + R^{k_{j}ih}F_{kh}F_{ji} - R^{k_{j}ih}F_{ki}F_{jh} - 2R^{k_{j}ih}F_{kj}F_{ih}) \\ - \frac{1}{4} \{2R^{k_{j}ih}(\nabla_{k}F_{j}^{s})\nabla_{i}F_{hs} + R^{k_{j}ih}(\nabla_{i}F_{j}^{s})\nabla_{k}F_{hs} + R^{k_{j}ih}(\nabla_{h}F_{j}^{s})\nabla_{i}F_{ks}\}.$$

Since  $R^{kjih}F_{kh}F_{ji}=S^*$  and  $R^{kjih}F_{kj}F_{ih}=-2S^*$ , by (2.9) and (2.10), (4.2) turns out to be

(4.3) 
$$R_{kjih}R^{kjih} = \frac{c}{2}(S+3S^*) + \frac{3}{8}(R_{ji}-R^*_{ji})(R^{ji}-R^{*ji}).$$

On the other hand, by (2.12), we have

$$R_{ji}-R^*_{ji}=\frac{S-S^*}{n}g_{ji}=\frac{4S}{5n}g_{ji}.$$

Then substituting the last equation and (3.10) into (4.3), we have (4.1). Q. E. D.

For a 6-dimensional K-space, (4.1) becomes

$$R_{kjih}R^{kjih}=\frac{1}{15}S^2.$$

This is equivalent to

$$\left\{R_{kjih} - \frac{S}{30}(g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{ki}g_{jh})\right\} \left\{R^{kjih} - \frac{S}{30}(g^{kh}g^{ji} - g^{ki}g^{jh})\right\} = 0$$

from which it follows that

$$R_{kjih} - \frac{S}{30} (g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{ki}g_{jh}) = 0.$$

Thus, we have the following

THEOREM 4.2. (Tanno [7]). Let M be a 6-dimensional non-Kähler K-Space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature. Then M is a space of constant curvature.

THEOREM 4.3. Let M be a K-space satisfying

$$R_{kjih}R^{kjih} \leq \frac{3(n+2)(S-S^*)^2 + 4(S+3S^*)^2}{8n(n+2)},$$

Then M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature.

Proof. We put

$$\begin{split} T_{kjih} = & 4R_{kjih} + \alpha (g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{ki}g_{jh} + F_{kh}F_{ji} - F_{ki}F_{jh} - 2F_{kj}F_{ih}) \\ & + (\nabla_i F_j^{\ s})\nabla_k F_{hs} + (\nabla_h F_j^{\ s})\nabla_i F_{ks} + 2(\nabla_k F_j^{\ s})\nabla_i F_{hs} \\ = & 4R_{kjih} + \alpha A_{kjih} + B_{kjih} \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} A_{kjih} &= g_{kh}g_{ji} - g_{ki}g_{jh} + F_{kh}F_{ji} - F_{ki}F_{jh} - 2F_{kj}F_{ih} ,\\ B_{kjih} &= (\nabla_i F_j^{\,s})\nabla_k F_{hs} + (\nabla_h F_j^{\,s})\nabla_i F_{ks} + 2(\nabla_k F_j^{\,s})\nabla_i F_{hs} ,\\ \alpha &= -\frac{S+3S^*}{n(n+2)} \quad (\text{scalar}) \end{split}$$

and calculate the square of  $T_{kjih}$ .

First of all, we easily have

(4.4) 
$$A_{kiih}A^{kjih} = 8n^2 + 16n$$
.

Next, by (2.8), we have

$$\begin{split} (\nabla^{i}F^{js})\nabla^{k}F^{h}{}_{s}(\nabla_{h}F_{j}{}^{t})\nabla_{i}F_{kt} &= -(\nabla^{i}F^{js})\nabla^{k}F^{h}{}_{s}(R_{hjik} - F_{h}{}^{a}F_{j}{}^{b}R_{abik}) \\ &= -\nabla^{i}F^{js}(\nabla^{k}F^{h}{}_{s})R_{hjik} + F_{h}{}^{a}F_{j}{}^{b}\nabla^{i}F^{js}(\nabla^{k}F^{h}{}_{s})R_{abik} \\ &= -\nabla^{i}F^{js}(\nabla^{k}F^{h}{}_{s})R_{hjik} + F^{js}F^{h}{}_{s}\nabla^{i}F_{j}{}^{b}(\nabla^{k}F_{h}{}^{a})R_{abik} \\ &= -\nabla^{i}F^{js}(\nabla^{k}F^{h}{}_{s})R_{hjik} + \nabla^{i}F^{hb}(\nabla^{k}F_{h}{}^{a})R_{abik} \\ &= 0^{3}. \end{split}$$

Similarly, we have

$$(\nabla^{h}F^{js})\nabla^{i}F^{k}{}_{s}(\nabla_{k}F^{l}{}_{j})\nabla_{i}F_{ht} = (\nabla^{k}F^{js})\nabla^{i}F^{h}{}_{s}(\nabla_{i}F^{l}{}_{j})\nabla_{k}F_{ht} = 0$$

Hence, by (2.5), we have

(4.5) 
$$B_{kjih}B^{kjih} = 6(R_{ji} - R^*_{ji})(R^{ji} - R^{*ji})$$

Moreover, we easily have

(4.6) 
$$R^{kjih}A_{kjih}=2S+6S^*$$
,

and by (2.9) and (2.10), we have

(4.8) 
$$R^{kjih}B_{kjih} = -\frac{3}{2}(R_{ji} - R^*_{ji})(R^{ji} - R^{*ji})$$

Consequently, by (4.4), (4.5), (4.6), (4.7) and (4.8), we have

$$\begin{split} T_{kjih} T^{kjih} &= 16 R_{kjih} R^{kjih} + \alpha^2 A_{kjih} A^{kjih} + B_{kjih} B^{kjih} \\ &+ 8 \alpha A_{kjih} R^{kjih} + 2 \alpha A_{kjih} B^{kjih} + 8 R_{kjih} B^{kjih} \\ &= 16 R_{kjih} R^{kjih} + (8n^2 + 16n) \alpha^2 + 6 (R_{ji} - R^*_{ji}) (R^{ji} - R^{*ji}) \end{split}$$

3) This is verified too by purity and hybridity of  $\nabla F$ .

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$$+8(2S+6S^{*})\alpha-12(R_{ji}-R^{*}_{ji})(R^{ji}-R^{*ji})$$
  
=16R<sub>kjih</sub>R<sup>kjih</sup>-6(R<sub>ji</sub>-R\*<sub>ji</sub>)(R<sup>ji</sup>-R\*<sup>ji</sup>)-\frac{8(S+3S^{\*})^{2}}{n(n+2)}

On the other hand, since  $(R_{ji}-R^*_{ji})(R^{ji}-R^{*ji}) \ge \frac{(S-S^*)^2}{n}$ , from the last equation, we have

$$T_{kjih}T^{kjih} \leq 16R_{kjih}R^{kjih} - \frac{6(n+2)(S-S^*)^2 + 8(S+3S^*)^2}{n(n+2)}$$

Thus, by the assumption, we have  $T_{kjih}T^{kjih} \leq 0$  i.e.  $T_{kjih}=0$ . But, as we have seen in the proof of the main theorem, from  $T_{kjih}=0$  it follows that the scalar  $\alpha$  is an absolute constant and therefore M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature. Q. E. D.

THEOREM 4.4. Let M be a non-Kähler K-space satisfying

$$R_{kjih}R^{kjih} \leq \frac{6n+44}{25n(n+2)}S^2$$
 and  $S=5S^*$ .

Then M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature.

*Proof.* By  $S=5S^*$ , we easily have

$$\frac{6n+44}{25n(n+2)}S^2 = \frac{3(n+2)(S-S^*)^2 + 4(S+3S^*)^2}{8n(n+2)}.$$

Hence, the theorem follows from Theorem 4.3.

*Remark.* By (2.6) and  $S=5S^*$ , we see that S=constant.

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