

47. Complex Hypersurfaces with Vanishing Bochner Curvature Tensor

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1. Introduction. The purpose of this paper is to show the following:

Theorem. *Let M be a complex hypersurface of complex dimension n ($n \geq 2$) in a space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature \bar{c} . If the Bochner curvature tensor of M vanishes identically, then M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature \bar{c} .*

2. Preliminaries. Let (\tilde{M}, J, g) be a Kaehlerian manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature \bar{c} of complex dimension $n+1$ ($n \geq 2$). Then the curvature tensor \tilde{R} of \tilde{M} is given by

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{R}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})\tilde{W} = & \frac{\bar{c}}{4} \{g(\tilde{Y}, \tilde{W})\tilde{X} - g(\tilde{X}, \tilde{W})\tilde{Y} + g(J\tilde{Y}, \tilde{W})J\tilde{X} \\ & - g(J\tilde{X}, \tilde{W})J\tilde{Y} + 2g(\tilde{X}, J\tilde{Y})J\tilde{W}\}, \end{aligned}$$

where \tilde{X} , \tilde{Y} and \tilde{W} are vector fields on \tilde{M} . Let M be a complex hypersurface of \tilde{M} immersed by $\varphi: M \rightarrow \tilde{M}$ and ξ a local field of unit vectors normal to M . Then, identifying, for each $x \in M$, the tangent space $T_x(M)$ with $\varphi_*(T_x(M)) \subset T_{\varphi(x)}(\tilde{M})$ by means of φ_* , we may put

$$(2) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_x \xi = -AX + s(X)J\xi,$$

$$(3) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_x Y = \nabla_x Y + h(X, Y)\xi + k(X, Y)J\xi,$$

where $\tilde{\nabla}$ denotes the covariant differentiation with respect to g , X and Y are vector fields in M and $-AX$ (resp. $\nabla_x Y$) is the tangential part of $\tilde{\nabla}_x \xi$ (resp. $\tilde{\nabla}_x Y$). It is well known that the naturally induced metric is the Kaehlerian metric and the almost complex structure is the Kaehlerian structure on M . We denote them also by g and J respectively. Then the relations $h(X, Y) = g(AX, Y)$, $k(X, Y) = g(JAX, Y)$ and $JA = -AJ$ hold (for details, see [3]).

The curvature tensor R and the Ricci tensor S of M are given by

$$(4) \quad R(X, Y) = \tilde{R}(X, Y) + AX \wedge AY + JAX \wedge JAY,$$

$$(5) \quad S(X, Y) = -2g(A^2X, Y) + \frac{n+1}{2}\bar{c}g(X, Y),$$

where $X \wedge Y$ is the endomorphism defined by $(X \wedge Y)(Z) = g(Z, Y)X - g(X, Z)Y$. The Bochner curvature tensor B of M is, by definition, given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(X, Y) &= R(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2n+4} [R^1X \wedge Y + X \wedge R^1Y + R^1JX \wedge JY \\
 (6) \quad &+ JX \wedge R^1JY - 2g(JX, R^1Y)J - 2g(JX, Y)R^1 \circ J] \\
 &+ \frac{\text{trace } R^1}{(2n+4)(2n+2)} [X \wedge Y + JX \wedge JY - 2g(JX, Y)J],
 \end{aligned}$$

where $g(R^1X, Y) = S(X, Y)$. We assume the Bochner curvature tensor $B = 0$. Then we have, from (6),

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(X, Y)W &= \frac{1}{2n+4} \{g(W, Y)R^1X - g(R^1X, W)Y + g(W, R^1Y)X \\
 (7) \quad &- g(X, W)R^1Y + g(W, JY)R^1JX - g(R^1JX, W)JY \\
 &+ g(W, R^1JY)JX - g(JX, W)R^1JY - 2g(JX, R^1Y)JW \\
 &- 2g(JX, Y)R^1JW\} - \frac{\text{trace } R^1}{(2n+4)(2n+2)} \\
 &\{g(W, Y)X - g(X, W)Y + g(W, JY)JX \\
 &- g(JX, W)JY - 2g(JX, Y)JW\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (1) and (7) into (4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1}{2n+4} \{g(W, Y)R^1X - g(R^1X, W)Y + g(W, R^1Y)X - g(X, W)R^1Y \\
 &+ g(W, JY)R^1JX - g(R^1JX, W)JY + g(W, R^1JY)JX \\
 &- g(JX, W)R^1JY - 2g(JX, R^1Y)JW - 2g(JX, Y)R^1JW \\
 (8) \quad &- \frac{\text{trace } R^1}{(2n+4)(2n+2)} \{g(W, Y)X - g(X, W)Y + g(W, JY)JX \\
 &- g(JX, W)JY - 2g(JX, Y)JW\} \\
 &= \frac{\tilde{c}}{4} \{g(Y, W)X - g(X, W)Y + g(JY, W)JX - g(JX, W)JY \\
 &+ 2g(X, JY)JW\} + g(AY, W)AX - g(AX, W)AY \\
 &+ g(JAY, W)JAX - g(JAX, W)JAY.
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $R^1X = -2A^2X + \frac{n+1}{2}\tilde{c}X$ into (8), we have, after simplification,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left(\frac{\tilde{c}}{4} + \frac{\text{trace } R^1}{(2n+4)(2n+2)} - \frac{n+1}{2n+4}\tilde{c}\right) \{g(Y, W)X - g(X, W)Y \\
 &+ g(JY, W)JX - g(JX, W)JY + 2g(X, JY)JW\} \\
 (9) \quad &= \frac{1}{2n+4} \{-2g(W, Y)A^2X + 2g(A^2X, W)Y - 2g(W, A^2Y)X \\
 &+ 2g(X, W)A^2Y - 2g(W, JY)A^2JX + 2g(A^2JX, W)JY \\
 &- 2g(W, A^2JY)JX + 2g(JX, W)A^2JY + 4g(JX, A^2Y)JW \\
 &+ 4g(JX, Y)A^2JW\} - g(AY, W)AX + g(AX, W)AY \\
 &- g(JAY, W)JAX + g(JAX, W)JAY.
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Proof of Theorem. We take an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, Je_1, \dots, Je_n\}$ of $T_x(M)$ such that $Ae_i = \lambda_i e_i, AJe_i = -\lambda_i Je_i, g(Je_i, e_j) = 0$ ($i, j = 1, \dots, n$) and $0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$. Then, since $\text{trace } R^1 = -2 \text{trace } A^2$

$+(n+1)n\bar{c}$, (9) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{\text{trace } A^2}{2(n+1)(n+2)}\{g(Y, W)X - g(X, W)Y + g(JY, W)JX \\
 & \quad - g(JX, W)JY + 2g(X, JY)JW\} \\
 (10) \quad & = \frac{1}{2n+4}\{-2g(W, Y)A^2X + 2g(A^2X, W)Y - 2g(W, A^2Y)X \\
 & \quad + 2g(X, W)A^2Y - 2g(W, JY)A^2JX + 2g(A^2JX, W)JY \\
 & \quad - 2g(W, A^2JY)JX + 2g(JX, W)A^2JY + 4g(JX, A^2Y)JW \\
 & \quad + 4g(JX, Y)A^2JW\} - g(AY, W)AX + g(AX, W)AY \\
 & \quad - g(JAY, W)JAX + g(JAX, W)JAY.
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting $X=e_i$, $Y=e_j$, $W=e_k$ in (10), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{\text{trace } A^2}{2(n+1)(n+2)}(\delta_{jk}e_i - \delta_{ik}e_j) \\
 & = \frac{1}{2n+4}(-2\delta_{jk}\lambda_i^2e_i + 2\delta_{ik}\lambda_j^2e_j - 2\delta_{kj}\lambda_i^2e_i + 2\delta_{ik}\lambda_j^2e_j) \\
 & \quad - \lambda_i\lambda_j\delta_{jk}e_i + \lambda_i\lambda_j\delta_{ik}e_j.
 \end{aligned}$$

Setting $j=k \neq i$, we have

$$(11) \quad \frac{\text{trace } A^2}{2(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{1}{n+2}(\lambda_i^2 + \lambda_j^2) + \lambda_i\lambda_j \quad (i \neq j),$$

from which we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\lambda_k - \lambda_j)\{\lambda_k + \lambda_j + (n+2)\lambda_i\} &= 0 \quad (n \geq 3) \\
 & \text{(for distinct } i, j \text{ and } k).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the rank A must be 0, $2n-2$ or $2n$. But, if the rank $A \neq 0$, then the non-zero λ_i 's must be equal to, say, λ , because of $0 \leq \lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$. Hence, again by (11), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{n\lambda^2}{(n+1)(n+2)} &= \frac{2\lambda^2}{n+2} + \lambda^2 \\
 & \text{(if the rank } A=2n), \\
 \left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{(n-1)\lambda^2}{(n+1)(n+2)} &= \frac{2\lambda^2}{n+2} + \lambda^2 \\ \frac{(n-1)\lambda^2}{(n+1)(n+2)} &= \frac{\lambda^2}{n+2} \end{aligned} \right. \\
 & \text{(if the rank } A=2n-2),
 \end{aligned}$$

from which we have $\lambda=0$ in both cases. Hence M is totally geodesic. Thus M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature \bar{c} . If $n=2$, then we have, from (11),

$$\frac{\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2}{12} = \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2) + \lambda_1\lambda_2,$$

from which we have $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$. Hence M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature \bar{c} , which completes the proof.

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