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# A classification theorem on totally umbilical submanifolds in a cosymplectic manifold

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#### Abstract

In the present paper, we study totally umbilical submanifolds of cosymplectic manifolds. We obtain a result on the classification of totally umbilical contact CR-submanifolds of a cosymplectic manifold.

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## 1. Introduction

The notion of CR-submanifolds of a Kaehler manifold was introduced by A. Bejancu [1]. Later on, many researchers worked on these submanifolds for different structures [5]. These submanifolds are the natural generalization of both holomorphic and totally real submanifolds of a Kaehler manifold. Totally umbilical CR-submanifolds of a Kaehler manifold have been studied by A. Bejancu [2], B.Y. Chen (see [6]), S. Deshmukh and S.I. Husain [8].

The submanifolds of a cosymplectic manifold have been studied by G.D. Ludden [10]. Recently, we have obtained some results for the existence or non-existence of warped submanifolds in a cosymplectic manifold [11]. In this paper, we classify all totally umbilical contact CR-submanifolds of a cosymplectic manifold.

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### 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\tilde{M}$  be a (2n + 1)-dimensional almost contact manifold with almost contact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$ , that is  $\phi$  is a (1, 1) tensor field,  $\xi$  is a vector field and  $\eta$  is a 1-form, satisfying the following properties

$$\phi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \phi \xi = 0, \quad \eta \circ \phi = 0, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1.$$
 (2.1)

In this case we call  $(\tilde{M}, \phi, \xi, \eta)$  an almost contact manifold. There always exists a Riemannian metric g on an almost contact manifold  $\tilde{M}$  satisfying the following compatibility condition

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y) \tag{2.2}$$

for any X, Y tangent to  $\tilde{M}$ ; with this metric the almost contact manifold is called an *almost contact metric manifold*.

An almost contact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$  is said to be *normal* if  $[\phi, \phi] + 2d\eta \otimes \xi$  vanishes identically on  $\tilde{M}$ , where  $[\phi, \phi](X, Y) = \phi^2[X, Y] + [\phi X, \phi Y] - \phi[\phi X, Y] - \phi[X, \phi Y]$  for any vector fields X, Y tangent to  $\tilde{M}$  is the Nijenhuis tensor of  $\phi$ .

The fundamental 2-form  $\Phi$  on  $\tilde{M}$  is defined as  $\Phi(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y)$ , for any vector fields X, Y tangent to  $\tilde{M}$ . If  $\Phi = d\eta$ , the almost contact structure is a *contact structure*. A normal almost contact structure with  $\Phi$  closed and  $d\eta = 0$  is called *cosymplectic structure*. It is well known that the cosymplectic structure is characterized by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X \phi = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X \eta = 0,$$
(2.3)

where  $\tilde{\nabla}$  is the Levi-Civita connection of g on  $\tilde{M}$ . From (2.3), it follows that  $\tilde{\nabla}_X \xi = 0$ .

If we denote the curvature tensor of a cosymplectic manifold M by R, then we have

$$\tilde{R}(\phi X, \phi Y) = \tilde{R}(X, Y)$$
 and  $\tilde{R}(X, Y)\phi Z = \phi \tilde{R}(X, Y)Z.$  (2.4)

Blair and Goldberg [5] studied the cosymplectic structure on a Riemannian manifold from topological viewpoint. They have given a typical example of simply connected cosymplectic manifold which is the product of a simply connected Kaehler manifold with  $\mathbb{R}$ . They proved that a complete simply connected cosymplectic manifold is almost contact isometric to the product of a complete simply connected Kaehler manifold with  $\mathbb{R}$ . On the other hand the natural example of a compact cosymplectic manifold is given by the product of a compact Kaehler manifold (V, J, h) with the circle  $S^1$ , where J is almost complex structure and h is almost Hermitian metric on V. The cosymplectic structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  on the product manifold  $\tilde{M} = V \times S^1$  is defined by

$$\phi = J \circ (pr_1)_*, \quad \xi = \frac{E}{c}, \quad \eta = c(pr_2)_*(\theta), \quad g = (pr_1)_*(h) + c^2(pr_2)_*(\theta \otimes \theta),$$

where \* is the symbol for tangent map and  $pr_1: \tilde{M} \to V$  and  $pr_2: \tilde{M} \to S^1$  are the projections of  $V \times S^1$  onto V and  $S^1$  respectively,  $\theta$  is the length element of  $S^1$ , E is its dual vector field and c is a non-zero real number [5]. In [7], De Leon and Marrero studied compact cosymplectic manifold with positive constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature.

Let M be a submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold M with induced metric g and if  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^{\perp}$  are the induced connections on the tangent bundle TM and the normal bundle  $T^{\perp}M$  of M, respectively. Denote by  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  the algebra of smooth functions on M and by  $\Gamma(TM)$  the  $\mathcal{F}(M)$ -module of smooth sections of tangent bundle TM over M, then Gauss and Weingarten formulae are given by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y) \tag{2.5}$$

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X N = -A_N X + \nabla_X^\perp N, \qquad (2.6)$$

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for each  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$  and  $N \in \Gamma(T^{\perp}M)$ , where h and  $A_N$  are the second fundamental form and the shape operator (corresponding to the normal vector field N) respectively for the immersion of M into  $\tilde{M}$ . They are related as

$$g(h(X,Y),N) = g(A_N X,Y),$$
 (2.7)

where g denotes the Riemannian metric on  $\tilde{M}$  as well as induced on M. The mean curvature vector H on M is given by

$$H = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} h(e_i, e_i)$$
(2.8)

where n is the dimension of M and  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  is a local orthonormal frame of vector fields on M.

A submanifold M of a Riemannian manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be *totally umbilical* if

$$h(X,Y) = g(X,Y)H.$$
(2.9)

If h(X, Y) = 0 for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$  then M is said to be totally geodesic submanifold. If H = 0, then it is called *minimal submanifold*.

If M is totally umbilical, then from (2.9), the equations (2.5) and (2.6) reduce to the following equations, respectively;

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + g(X, Y)H, \qquad (2.10)$$

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X N = -g(H, N)X + \nabla_X^{\perp} N.$$
(2.11)

Now, for any  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ , we write

$$\phi X = PX + FX, \tag{2.12}$$

where PX is the tangential component and FX is the normal component of  $\phi X$ .

Similarly for any  $N \in \Gamma(T^{\perp}M)$ , we write

$$\phi N = BN + CN, \tag{2.13}$$

where BN is the tangential component and CN is the normal component of  $\phi N$ . The covariant derivatives of the tensor fields  $\phi$ , P and F are respectively defined as

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X \phi)Y = \tilde{\nabla}_X \phi Y - \phi \tilde{\nabla}_X Y, \quad \forall \ X, Y \in \Gamma(T\tilde{M}),$$
(2.14)

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X P)Y = \nabla_X PY - P\nabla_X Y, \quad \forall \ X, Y \in \Gamma(TM),$$
(2.15)

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X F)Y = \nabla_X^{\perp} FY - F\nabla_X Y, \quad \forall \ X, Y \in \Gamma(TM).$$
(2.16)

## 3. Contact CR-submanifolds

In this section we consider the submanifold M tangent to the structure vector field  $\xi$ and defined as follows: A submanifold M tangent to  $\xi$  is called a *contact CR-submanifold* if it admits a pair of differentiable distributions  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  such that  $\mathcal{D}$  is invariant and its orthogonal complementary distribution  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is anti-invariant i.e.,  $TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  with  $\phi(\mathcal{D}_x) \subseteq \mathcal{D}_x$  and  $\phi(\mathcal{D}_x^{\perp}) \subset T_x^{\perp}M$ , for every  $x \in M$ . Thus, a contact CR-submanifold Mtangent to  $\xi$  is *invariant* if  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is identically zero and an *anti-invariant* if  $\mathcal{D}$  is identically zero, respectively. If neither  $\mathcal{D} = \{0\}$  nor  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = \{0\}$ , then M is proper contact CRsubmanifold.

Let M be a proper contact CR-submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , then for any  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ , we have

$$X = P_1 X + P_2 X + \eta(X)\xi, (3.1)$$

where  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are the orthogonal projections from TM to  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , respectively. For a contact CR-submanifold, from (2.12) and (3.1), we obtain

$$PX = \phi P_1 X$$
 and  $FX = \phi P_2 X$ .

Let M be a contact CR-submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Then the normal bundle  $T^{\perp}M$  is decomposed as

$$T^{\perp}M = \phi \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus \mu, \tag{3.2}$$

where  $\mu$  is the orthogonal complementary distribution of  $\phi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  in  $T^{\perp}M$  and is a  $\phi$ -invariant subbundle of  $T^{\perp}M$ .

Let M be a contact CR-submanifold of a cosymplectic manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , then for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  and  $U \in \Gamma(TM)$ , we have

$$g(A_{\phi W}Z, U) = g(h(Z, U), \phi W).$$

Using (2.5), we obtain

$$g(A_{\phi W}Z,U) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_U Z, \phi W) = -g(\phi \tilde{\nabla}_U Z, W).$$

By the structure equation (2.3), we get

$$g(A_{\phi W}Z, U) = -g(\tilde{\nabla}_U \phi Z, W).$$

Thus, from (2.6), we derive

$$g(A_{\phi W}Z, U) = g(A_{\phi Z}U, W) = g(h(W, U), \phi Z).$$

Again Using (2.5), we obtain

$$g(A_{\phi W}Z,U) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_W U, \phi Z) = -g(U, \tilde{\nabla}_W \phi Z).$$

Then from (2.6), we get

$$g(A_{\phi W}Z, U) = g(A_{\phi Z}W, U)$$

Hence, for a contact CR-submanifold of a cosymplectic manifold we conclude that

$$A_{\phi W}Z = A_{\phi Z}W \quad \forall Z, \ W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$
(3.3)

Now, for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g([Z,W],\phi X) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W - \tilde{\nabla}_W Z,\phi X)$$

 $= g(\phi \tilde{\nabla}_W Z - \phi \tilde{\nabla}_Z W, X).$ 

Thus, from (2.14) and (2.3), we obtain

$$g([Z,W],\phi X) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \phi Z - \tilde{\nabla}_Z \phi W, X)$$

$$= g(A_{\phi W}Z - A_{\phi Z}W, X).$$

Thus, from (3.3), we obtain  $g([Z, W], \phi X) = 0$ . This means that  $[Z, W] \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , that is,  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is integrable. Now for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ , we have

$$h(X, PY) + \nabla_X PY = \nabla_X PY = \nabla_X \phi Y.$$

As  $\tilde{M}$  is cosymplectic, then by (2.14) and the structure equation (2.3), we obtain

$$h(X, PY) + \nabla_X PY = \phi \tilde{\nabla}_X Y.$$

Using (2.5), (2.12) and (2.13), we derive

$$h(X, PY) + \nabla_X PY = P\nabla_X Y + F\nabla_X Y + Bh(X, Y) + Ch(X, Y)$$

Equating the normal components, we get

$$F\nabla_X Y = h(X, PY) - Ch(X, Y). \tag{3.4}$$

Similarly,

$$F\nabla_Y X = h(Y, PX) - Ch(X, Y). \tag{3.5}$$

Thus from (3.4) and (3.5), we obtain

$$F[X, Y] = h(X, PY) - h(Y, PX).$$
(3.6)

Hence, we conclude that F[X, Y] = 0 if and only if h(X, PY) = h(Y, PX), that is the distribution  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  is integrable if and only if h(X, PY) = h(Y, PX), for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ .

We give the following main result of this section.

**3.1. Theorem** Let M be a totally umbilical contact CR-submanifold of a cosymplectic manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Then at least one of the following statements is true

- (i) *M* is totally geodesic,
- (ii) the anti-invariant distribution  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is one-dimensional, i.e., dim  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = 1$ ,
- (iii) the mean curvature vector  $H \in \Gamma(\mu)$ .

*Proof.* For a cosympectic manifold, we have

$$\tilde{\nabla}_Z \phi W = \phi \tilde{\nabla}_Z W,$$

for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Using (2.10) and (2.11), we derive

$$-g(H,\phi W)Z + \nabla_Z^{\perp}\phi W = \phi \nabla_Z W + g(Z,W)\phi H.$$
(3.7)

Taking the product with  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  in (3.7), we get

$$g(H, \phi W) \|Z\|^2 = g(Z, W)g(H, \phi Z).$$
(3.8)

Interchanging Z and W in (3.8), we obtain

$$g(H, \phi Z) \|W\|^2 = g(Z, W)g(H, \phi W).$$
(3.9)

Thus, from (3.8) and (3.9), we deduce that

$$g(H, \phi Z) = \frac{g(Z, W)^2}{\|Z\|^2 \|W\|^2} g(H, \phi Z).$$

That is

$$g(H,\phi Z)\{1 - \frac{g(Z,W)^2}{\|Z\|^2 \|W\|^2}\} = 0.$$
(3.10)

Hence, the equation (3.10) has a solution if at least one of the followings holds

(i) H = 0 or (ii)  $Z \parallel W$  or (iii)  $H \perp \phi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ .

That is either M is totally geodesic or as Z and W are parallel to each other for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  that is these two vectors are linearly dependent and hence  $\dim \mathcal{D}^{\perp} = 1$  or  $H \in \Gamma(\mu)$ , this proves the theorem completely.  $\Box$ 

**3.2. Example** Consider a flat manifold of real dimension 6 which have a complex Kaehler structure of dimension 3, that is  $(\mathbb{C}^3, J, h)$  be a Kaehler manifold with complex structure J and Euclidean Hermitian metric h. Then  $\tilde{M} = \mathbb{C}^3 \times \mathbb{R}$  is a cosymplectic manifold with the structure vector field  $\xi = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ , dual 1-form  $\eta = dt$  and the metric  $g = h + dt^2$ . Now, consider  $M = \mathbb{R}^3 \times S^1$ , where  $S^1$  is a unit circle being taken as totally real submanifold of  $\mathbb{C}^3$ . Then M is a contact CR-submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$  with the invariant distribution  $\mathcal{D} = \mathbb{R}^2$ , anti-invariant distribution  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = \Gamma(S^1)$  and the 1-dimensional distribution  $\langle \xi \rangle = \mathbb{R}$ .

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