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**Geometria differenziale.** — *Kähler submanifolds satisfying a certain condition on normal connection.* Nota di IKUO ISHIHARA, presentata (\*) dal Socio B. SEGRE.

RIASSUNTO. — Si stabiliscono (nel § 4) quattro teoremi sulle sottovarietà di Kähler che soddisfano alla condizione (N) qui specificata nel § 2.

### § 1. INTRODUCTION

Smyth [10] has given the classification of complex hypersurfaces of the simply-connected complex space forms which are Einstein manifolds. Chen and Lue [2] have studied Kähler submanifolds in a Kähler manifold, when their normal bundle is flat, and obtained interesting results.

In this paper, we shall study Kähler submanifolds with a condition (N) stated in § 2 in a Kähler manifold or in a complex space form and prove four theorems.

### § 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $M^n$  be a complex  $n$ -dimensional Kähler manifold with complex structure  $J$  and metric tensor  $g$ . We denote the covariant differentiation in  $M^n$  by  $\nabla$ . Then the curvature tensor  $R$  of  $M^n$  is given by  $R(X, Y) = \nabla_X \nabla_Y - \nabla_Y \nabla_X - \nabla_{[X, Y]}$  for any tangent vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ . Then, as is well known, the curvature tensor  $R$  of  $M^n$  satisfies the following formulas

$$(2.1) \quad R(JX, JY) = R(X, Y) \quad , \quad R(X, Y)J = JR(X, Y) ,$$

$$(2.2) \quad R(X, Y)Z + R(Y, Z)X + R(Z, X)Y = 0 ,$$

$$(2.3) \quad R(X, Y; Z, W) = R(Z, W; X, Y) = -R(Y, X; Z, W) = \\ = -R(X, Y; W, Z) ,$$

for any tangent vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  and  $W$ , where  $R(X, Y; Z, W) = = g(R(X, Y)Z, W)$ . Let  $M^n$  be isometrically immersed in a Kähler manifold  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  of complex dimension  $n + p$  as a complex submanifold. If  $\bar{J}, \bar{g}, \bar{\nabla}$  and  $\bar{R}$  denote the complex structure, the metric tensor, the covariant differentiation and the curvature tensor of  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$ , respectively, then for any tangent vector fields  $X, Y$  and any normal vector field  $N$  on  $M^n$ , the Gauss-Weingarten formulas are given respectively by

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + B(X, Y) \quad , \quad \bar{\nabla}_X N = -A_N(X) + D_X N ,$$

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where  $\bar{g}(B(X, Y), N) = g(A_N(X), Y)$  and  $D$  is the linear connection induced in the normal bundle  $T(M^n)^\perp$ .  $A$  and  $B$  are both called the second fundamental form of  $M^n$ . Let  $R^\perp$  be the curvature tensor associated with  $D$  in  $T(M^n)^\perp$ , i.e.,  $R^\perp(X, Y) = D_X D_Y - D_Y D_X - D_{[X, Y]}$ . Then the equations of Gauss and Ricci are given respectively by

$$(2.4) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y; Z, W) = R(X, Y; Z, W) + \bar{g}(B(X, Z), B(Y, W)) - \bar{g}(B(Y, Z), B(X, W)),$$

$$(2.5) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y; N, N') = R^\perp(X, Y; N, N') - g([A_N, A_{N'}](X), Y),$$

where  $X, Y, Z, W$  are arbitrary vector fields tangent to  $M^n$  and  $N, N'$  are arbitrary vector fields normal to  $M^n$ . Moreover, we have

$$(2.6) \quad A_{\bar{J}N} = JA_N \quad \text{and} \quad JA_N = -A_N J.$$

Thus we have  $\text{Trace } B = 0$ , which means that  $M^n$  is a minimal submanifold in  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$ .

In the present paper, we shall study a submanifold  $M^n$  in  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  satisfying the condition

$$(N) \quad R^\perp(X, Y) = \rho g(X, JY)J,$$

where  $X$  and  $Y$  are arbitrary vector fields tangent to  $M^n$  and  $\rho$  is a function on  $M^n$ .

### § 3. MODEL SUBMANIFOLDS IN A COMPLEX SPACE FORM

In this section, we shall give some typical model submanifolds in a complex space form for later use. Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold and take  $\{E_1, \dots, E_n\}$  which is a local orthonormal frame on  $M$ . Then the Ricci tensor  $S$  and the scalar curvature  $r$  are given respectively by

$$S(X, Y) = \sum_{i=1}^n R(E_i, X; Y, E_i) \quad , \quad r = \sum_{i=1}^n S(E_i, E_i),$$

where  $X$  and  $Y$  are any tangent vector fields on  $M$ . An  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold  $M$  with Riemannian metric  $g$  is called an Einstein space if its Ricci tensor  $S$  satisfies the condition  $S = rg/n$ , where  $r$  is a constant. We call the factor  $r/n$  the Ricci curvature of the Einstein space.

A Kähler manifold  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  is called a complex space form of holomorphic sectional curvature  $c$  if the curvature tensor  $\bar{R}$  satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y)Z = \frac{c}{4}(\bar{g}(Y, Z)X - \bar{g}(X, Z)Y + \bar{g}(JY, Z)JX - \bar{g}(JX, Z)JY + 2\bar{g}(X, JY)JZ).$$

In the following, we denote such a  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  by  $\bar{M}^{n+p}(c)$ . Then, as is well known,  $\bar{M}^{n+p}(c)$  is an Einstein space with Ricci curvature  $r/(n+p) = (n+p+1)c/2$ .

We now introduce some special kinds of Kähler manifolds which will be useful in the present paper. Let  $C^{n+2}$  denote complex Euclidean space of dimension  $n+2$  with the natural complex coordinate system  $z^0, z^1, \dots, z^{n+1}$ .  $P^{n+1}(C)$  will denote complex the  $(n+1)$ -dimensional projective space,  $P^{n+1}(C)$  is a complex analytic manifold which, when endowed with the Fubini-Study metric, is a Kähler manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature 1. Then there is a natural holomorphic mapping  $\pi: C^{n+2} - \{0\} \rightarrow P^{n+1}(C)$ . The submanifold in  $P^{n+1}(C)$  determined by  $z^{n+1} = 0$  is merely  $P^n(C)$ , the induced metric being the Fubini-Study metric of  $P^n(C)$ . The submanifold  $Q^n$  in  $P^{n+1}(C)$  determined by  $(z^0)^2 + \dots + (z^{n+1})^2 = 0$  is called the  $n$ -dimensional complex quadric:  $Q^n$  is a compact Kähler submanifold with the metric and complex structure induced from  $P^{n+1}(C)$ . Moreover  $Q^n$  is a compact Einstein manifold if  $n \geq 2$ .

$D^{n+1}$  will denote the open unit ball in  $C^{n+1}$  endowed with the natural complex structure and the Bergman metric. This is then a Kähler manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-1$ . The submanifold of  $D^{n+1}$  determined by  $z^n = 0$  is merely  $D^n$ , the induced metric being Bergman metric of  $D^n$ .

The complex  $(n+1)$ -dimensional Euclidean space  $C^{n+1}$  endowed with the usual Hermitian metric is a flat Kähler manifold.

In the absence of any statement regarding metrics, each complex manifold introduced above is understood to have the Kähler metric we assigned to it above. The manifolds  $P^n(C)$ ,  $C^n$  and  $D^n$  are simply-connected complete Kähler manifolds. Moreover, any simply-connected complex space form  $M$  of complex dimension  $n$  is (after multiplication of the metric of  $M$  by a suitable positive constant) holomorphically isometric to  $P^n(C)$ ,  $C^n$  or  $D^n$ , according as  $M$  is of positive, zero or negative holomorphic sectional curvature (see Hawley [3] or Igusa [4]).

#### § 4. THEOREMS

We define

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{\nabla}_X R^{\perp})(Y, Z)N &= D_X(R^{\perp}(Y, Z)N) - R^{\perp}(\nabla_X Y, Z)N - R^{\perp}(Y, \nabla_X Z)N \\ &\quad - R^{\perp}(Y, Z)D_X N, \end{aligned}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  tangent to  $M^n$  and any vector field  $N$  normal to  $M^n$ . The  $\tilde{\nabla} R^{\perp}$  is called the van der Waerden-Bortolotti covariant derivative of  $R^{\perp}$ . Then we can easily prove

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X R^{\perp})(Y, Z) + (\tilde{\nabla}_Y R^{\perp})(Z, X) + (\tilde{\nabla}_Z R^{\perp})(X, Y) = 0,$$

which is called the second Bianchi identity.

LEMMA 4.1. *Let  $M^n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) be a Kähler submanifold of a Kähler manifold  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  and assume that  $M^n$  satisfies the condition (N). Then  $\rho$  is constant on  $M^n$ .*

*Proof.* From the condition (N), we have

$$(4.1) \quad (\tilde{\nabla}_X R^\perp)(Y, Z) = (X\rho)g(Y, JZ)J.$$

By using the second Bianchi identity, we obtain

$$(4.2) \quad (X\rho)g(Y, JZ) + (Y\rho)g(Z, JX) + (Z\rho)g(X, JY) = 0.$$

If we substitute  $Z = JY$  in (4.2), then we have

$$-(X\rho)g(Y, Y) + (Y\rho)g(Y, X) + (JY\rho)g(X, JY) = 0.$$

Then, assuming that  $X$  is perpendicular to  $Y$  and  $JY$ , we find

$$(X\rho)g(Y, Y) = 0,$$

which implies that  $\rho$  is constant on  $M^n$ . This completes the proof.

THEOREM 4.2. *Let  $M^n$  be a Kähler submanifold of a Kähler manifold  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  and assume that  $M^n$  satisfies the condition (N). Then the Ricci tensors  $S$  and  $\bar{S}$  of  $M^n$  and  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  satisfy the following relation:*

$$S(X, Y) = \bar{S}(X, Y) - p\rho g(X, Y)$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  tangent to  $M^n$ .

*Proof.* From the definition of Ricci tensors and the equation of Gauss (2.4), we have

$$(4.3) \quad S(X, Y) = \bar{S}(X, Y) - \sum_{\alpha=1}^p (\bar{R}(N_\alpha, X; Y, N_\alpha) + \bar{R}(JN_\alpha, X; Y, JN_\alpha)) \\ - \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \bar{g}(B(E_i, X), B(E_i, Y)),$$

where  $E_1, \dots, E_{2n}$  are local orthonormal vector fields tangent to  $M^n$  and  $N_1, \dots, N_p, JN_1, \dots, JN_p$  are local orthonormal vector fields normal to  $M^n$ . On the other hand, from the equation of Ricci (2.5) and the condition (N), we find

$$(4.4) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y; N_\alpha, JN_\alpha) = \rho g(X, JY) - g([A_{N_\alpha}, A_{JN_\alpha}](X), Y).$$

Hence, by using (2.6), we obtain

$$(4.5) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y; N_\alpha, JN_\alpha) = \rho g(X, JY) + 2g(JA_{N_\alpha}^2(X), Y).$$

By (2.2) and (2.3), we get

$$(4.6) \quad \bar{R}(X, JY; N_\alpha, \bar{J}N_\alpha) = \bar{R}(N_\alpha, JY; X, \bar{J}N_\alpha) - \bar{R}(N_\alpha, X; JY, \bar{J}N_\alpha).$$

Hence using (2.1) and (2.3) gives

$$(4.7) \quad \bar{R}(X, JY; N_\alpha, \bar{J}N_\alpha) = -(\bar{R}(\bar{J}N_\alpha, X; Y, \bar{J}N_\alpha) + \bar{R}(N_\alpha, X; Y, N_\alpha)).$$

On the other hand, from (2.6), we find

$$(4.8) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \bar{g}(B(E_i, X), B(E_i, Y)) = 2 \sum_{\alpha=1}^p g(A_{N_\alpha}^2(X), Y).$$

Combining (4.3), (4.5), (4.7) and (4.8), we find

$$S(X, Y) = \bar{S}(X, Y) - p \rho g(X, Y)$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  tangent to  $M^n$ . This completes the proof.

From Theorem 4.2, we have immediately the following

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $M^n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) be a Kähler submanifold in an Einstein Kähler manifold  $\bar{M}^{n+p}$  and assume that  $M^n$  satisfies the condition (N). Then  $M^n$  is also Einstein.*

**THEOREM 4.4.** *Let  $M^n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) be a Kähler submanifold in a complex space form  $\bar{M}^{n+p}(c)$  and assume that  $M^n$  satisfies the condition (N). Then either  $M^n$  is totally geodesic or  $M^n$  is an Einstein Kähler hypersurface of  $\bar{M}^{n+p}(c)$  with scalar curvature  $n^2 c$ . The latter case occurs only when  $c > 0$ .*

*Proof.* From (2.5), (3.1) and the condition (N), we have

$$(4.9) \quad \frac{c}{2} g(X, JY) \bar{g}(\bar{J}N, N') = \rho g(X, JY) \bar{g}(\bar{J}N, N') - g([A_n, A_{n'}](X), Y).$$

Substituting  $N' = \bar{J}N$  in (4.9) and using (2.6), we have

$$\frac{c}{2} g(X, JY) g(N, N) = \rho g(X, JY) g(N, N) + 2g(JA_N^2(X), Y),$$

or equivalently

$$(4.10) \quad g(A_N^2(X), JY) = \frac{2\rho - c}{4} \bar{g}(N, N) g(X, JY).$$

The equation (4.10) implies

$$(4.11) \quad A_N^2 = \frac{2\rho - c}{4} \bar{g}(N, N) I,$$

where  $I$  is the identity transformation. Assuming  $2\rho = c$ , we find  $A_N^2 = 0$  which means  $A_N = 0$ , i.e., that  $M^n$  is totally geodesic. Next if we assume that

$2\rho \neq c$  and  $p \geq 2$ , then using (4.11) and  $A_{N_\alpha+N_\beta}^2 = A_{N_\alpha}^2 + A_{N_\alpha}A_{N_\beta} + A_{N_\beta}A_{N_\alpha} + A_{N_\beta}^2$ , we obtain

$$(4.12) \quad A_{N_\alpha}A_{N_\beta} + A_{N_\beta}A_{N_\alpha} = 0 \quad \text{for } \alpha \neq \beta.$$

On the other hand, from (4.9) we get

$$(4.13) \quad A_{N_\alpha}A_{N_\beta} - A_{N_\beta}A_{N_\alpha} = 0.$$

The equations (4.12) and (4.13) imply  $A_{N_\alpha}A_{N_\beta} = 0$  for  $\alpha \neq \beta$  which means  $A_{N_\alpha} = 0$  for all  $\alpha$ , i.e., that  $M^n$  is totally geodesic. When  $M^n$  is a Kähler hypersurface, as is well known the non totally geodesic case of  $M^n$  occurs only in a complex space form of positive constant holomorphic sectional curvature (see Takahashi [11]). This completes the proof.

From Theorem 4.4, we have immediately the following (see Smyth [10]).

THEOREM 4.5. *If  $n \geq 2$ , then*

(i)  $P^n(\mathbb{C})$  and the complex quadric  $Q^{n+p-1}$  are the only complete Kähler submanifolds of  $P^{n+p}(\mathbb{C})$  which satisfy the condition (N);

(ii)  $D^n$  (resp.  $C^n$ ) is the only simply-connected complete Kähler submanifold of  $D^{n+p}$  (resp.  $C^{n+p}$ ) which satisfies the condition (N).

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