

## Some structures on an $f$ -structure manifold

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The idea of  $f$ -structure on a differentiable manifold was initiated and developed by Yano [3, 5]. Koto [4] defined and studied certain structures on almost Hermitian manifold, some of which were reformulated by Gray [1] in terms of exterior and co-derivatives. In the present paper we define and study some structures on a differentiable manifold in terms of exterior, Lie, and co-derivatives.

Section 1 is introductory and in Section 2, we define certain structures and prove their inclusion relations, corresponding to the inclusion relations in Gray [1].

In the last section we define a conformal diffeomorphism between two differentiable manifolds and obtain some interesting results relating their structures.

1. An  $n$ -dimensional differentiable manifold  $V$  is said to possess an  $f$ -structure [5] if a non-null  $(1, 1)$  tensor field  $f$  of constant rank  $r$  is defined on it which satisfies  $f^3 + f = 0$ . If the rank of  $f$  is such that  $n - r \geq 1$ , then there exist two complementary distributions  $L$  and  $M$  corresponding to the projection operators  $l$  and  $m$  respectively, defined as [5];

$$(1.1) \quad l = -f^2 \quad \text{and} \quad m = f^2 + I,$$

where  $I$  denotes the identity operator. These projection operators satisfy the following relations:

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} lf = fl = f, \quad mf = fm = 0, \\ f^2l = -l \quad \text{and} \quad f^2m = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The above relations show that  $f$  acts as an almost complex structure on  $L$  and as a null operator on  $M$ . If the rank of  $f$  is  $r$ , then the dimensions of  $L$  and  $M$  are  $r$  and  $(n - r)$  respectively [5].

Let  $F(V)$  denote the ring of real-valued differentiable functions on  $V$  and  $\mathfrak{X}(V)$  the module of derivations of  $F(V)$ .  $\mathfrak{X}(V)$  is then a Lie algebra

over real numbers and elements of  $\mathfrak{X}(V)$  are called *vector fields*. The (1, 1) tensor field  $f$  is then a linear map over  $\mathfrak{X}(V)$ ;

$$f: \mathfrak{X}(V) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(V).$$

Yano [5] has defined a positive definite Riemannian metric  $\langle, \rangle$  in  $V$ , with respect to which the distributions  $L$  and  $M$  are orthogonal. Such a Riemannian metric satisfies the following relations [5]

$$(1.3) \quad \langle X, Y \rangle = \langle fX, fY \rangle + \langle mX, Y \rangle \quad \text{for all } X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(V).$$

Since  $L$  and  $M$  are orthogonal, (1.2) yields

$$(1.4) \quad \langle fX, Y \rangle = \langle f^2X, fY \rangle, \quad \langle X, fY \rangle = \langle fX, f^2Y \rangle.$$

A 2-form  $F$  has been defined as [5]

$$(1.5) \quad F(X, Y) = -F(Y, X) = \langle fX, Y \rangle,$$

and it is easy to verify that

$$(1.6) \quad F(mX, Y) = 0 = F(X, mY).$$

The Nijenhins tensor  $N$  of type (1, 2) is defined as [4]

$$(1.7) \quad N(X, Y) = [fX, fY] - f[fX, Y] - f[X, fY] + f^2[X, Y] \\ \text{for all } X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(V).$$

2. Using the definitions of the Riemannian connexion  $\nabla_X$  and the Lie derivative  $\mathcal{L}_X$ , we have the following relations:

$$(2.1) \quad \nabla_X(f)(Y) = \nabla_X(fY) - f\nabla_X Y, \quad (\mathcal{L}_X f)Y = [X, fY] - f[X, Y].$$

In view of (1.2) and the above relations, we have

$$m\nabla_X(f)(mY) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad m(\mathcal{L}_X f)(mY) = 0.$$

Since  $f^2$  is also a (1, 1) tensor, we have

$$(2.2) \quad \nabla_X(f^2)(Y) = \nabla_X(f^2 Y) - f^2 \nabla_X Y.$$

We can easily check that the covariant derivative  $\nabla_X(F)$  and the exterior derivative  $dF$  of  $F$  are given by the following:

$$(2.3) \quad \nabla_X(F)(Y, Z) = \langle \nabla_X(f)Y, Z \rangle$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad dF(X, Y, Z) = \mathcal{C} \nabla_X(F)(Y, Z),$$

where  $\mathcal{C}$  denotes the cyclic sum over  $X, Y, Z$ .

THEOREM 2.1. *By using above formulae we get the following results:*

$$(2.5) \quad N(X, Y) = \nabla_{fX}(f)Y - \nabla_{fY}(f)X + f\nabla_Y(f)X - f\nabla_X(f)Y, \\ = (\mathcal{L}_{fX}f)Y - f(\mathcal{L}_Xf)Y,$$

$$(2.6) \quad \nabla_{fX}(F)(fY, fZ) \\ = dF(fX, fY, fZ) - dF(fX, f^2Y, f^2Z) + \langle fX, N(fY, f^2Z) \rangle,$$

$$(2.7) \quad 2\nabla_{fX}(F)(fY, fZ) + 2\nabla_{f^2X}(F)(f^2Y, fZ) \\ = dF(fX, fY, fZ) - dF(fX, f^2Y, f^2Z) + dF(fY, f^2Z, f^2X),$$

$$(2.8) \quad 2\nabla_{f^2X}(F)(f^2Y, fZ) - 2\nabla_{fX}(F)(fY, fZ) \\ = \langle N(fX, f^2Y), fZ \rangle - \langle N(fX, fZ), f^2Y \rangle - \langle N(f^2Y, fZ), fX \rangle.$$

Proof. The proof of (2.5) follows from (2.1) and

$$\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X = [X, Y],$$

while (2.6), (2.7) and (2.8) are consequences of (2.5) and the formula

$$(2.9) \quad \nabla_X(F)(f^2Y, fZ) = \nabla_X(F)(fY, f^2Z).$$

We shall call an *f*-structure manifold *fK-manifold* iff

$$\nabla_{fX}(f) = 0,$$

*fAK-manifold* iff

$$dF(fX, fY, fZ) = 0,$$

*fNK-manifold* iff

$$\nabla_{fX}(f)(fY) + \nabla_{fY}(f)(fX) = 0,$$

*fQK-manifold* iff

$$\nabla_{fX}(f)(fY) + \nabla_{f^2X}(f)(f^2Y) = 0,$$

and *fH-manifold* iff

$$N(fX, fY) = 0$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$ .

As a consequence of theorem (2.1) and the definitions of *fH* and *fQK*-manifold we get the following

THEOREM 2.2.  $(\mathcal{L}_{f^2X}f)(fY) = f(\mathcal{L}_{fX}f)(fY)$  for all  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$  if and only if the manifold  $V$  is *fH*, while

$$\nabla_{fX}(F)(fY, fZ) = -\nabla_{f^2X}(F)(f^2Y, fZ)$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$  if and only if the manifold  $V$  is *fQK*-manifold.

We next study the inclusion relations between the special *f*-structure manifolds defined above and prove

**THEOREM 2.3.**

$$fK \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \subseteq fAK \\ \subseteq fNK \end{array} \right\} \subseteq fQK \quad \text{and} \quad fK \subseteq fH.$$

Furthermore,

$$fK \subseteq fH \cap fQK \subseteq fAK \cap fNK.$$

**Proof.** That  $fK \subseteq fAK$  follows from (2.3) and (2.4);  $fAK \subseteq fQK$  follows from (2.3) and (2.7); while  $fK \subseteq fH$  follows from (2.5). It is obvious that  $fK \subseteq fNK$ , while  $fNK \subseteq fQK$  is a consequence of (2.9).

Furthermore,  $fK \subseteq fH \cap fQK$  is obvious.

If the (1, 1) tensor field  $f$  satisfies

$$(2.10) \quad \nabla_{fX}(f)Y = f\nabla_X(f)Y,$$

then from (2.5)

$$N(X, Y) = 0,$$

and we get

**THEOREM 2.4.** *An  $f$ -structure manifold  $V$  is  $fH$ -manifold if the (1, 1) tensor field  $f$  satisfies*

$$\nabla_{fX}(f)Y = f\nabla_X(f)Y.$$

Also, if the  $f$ -structure satisfies (2.10), then

$$\nabla_{fX}(f)(fY) + \nabla_{f^2X}(f)(f^2Y) = f\nabla_X(f)(fY) + f^2\nabla_X(f)(f^2Y).$$

In view of (2.1) and the above result, we get

$$\nabla_{fX}(f)(fY) + \nabla_{f^2X}(f)(f^2Y) = 2f\nabla_X(f)(fY),$$

which provides the proof of the following

**THEOREM 2.5.** *An  $f$ -structure manifold  $V$  which satisfies (2.10), is  $fQK$ -manifold iff*

$$f\nabla_X(f)(fY) = 0.$$

**3. Conformal diffeomorphism of  $f$ -structure manifolds.** Let  $(V, \langle, \rangle)$  and  $(V^0, \langle, \rangle^0)$  be two Riemannian manifolds and  $\Phi: V \rightarrow V^0$  be a diffeomorphism. If  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$ , we denote by  $X^0 \in \mathfrak{X}(V^0)$  the vector field corresponding to  $X$  induced by  $\Phi$ . Then  $\Phi$  is called a *conformal diffeomorphism* provided there exists  $\sigma \in F(V)$  such that

$$(3.1) \quad \langle X^0, Y^0 \rangle^0 \cdot \Phi = e^{2\sigma} \langle X, Y \rangle$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$ . For  $g \in F(V)$  we define  $\text{grad } g$  by

$$(3.2) \quad \langle \text{grad } g, X \rangle = X(g)$$

for all  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$ . The Riemannian connections  $\nabla^0$  and  $\nabla$  of  $V^0$  and  $V$  satisfy the following relation [1]

$$(3.3) \quad \nabla_{X^0}^0 Y^0 = \{\nabla_X Y + X(\sigma)Y + Y(\sigma)X - \langle X, Y \rangle \text{grad } \sigma\}^0.$$

Let  $V$  and  $V^0$  be *f*-structure manifolds respectively. Suppose that  $\Phi: V \rightarrow V^0$  in addition to being a conformal diffeomorphism also preserves the *f*-structure, i.e. there exists a (1, 1) tensor field  $f^0: \mathfrak{X}(V^0) \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}(V^0)$  in  $V^0$  such that

$$(3.4) \quad f^0 X^0 = (fX)^0.$$

If  $\langle, \rangle^0$  is the Riemannian metric in  $V^0$ , then this metric satisfies following relations:

$$\langle f^0 X^0, Y^0 \rangle^0 = \langle (f^0)^2 X^0, f^0 Y^0 \rangle^0$$

and

$$\langle X^0, f^0 Y^0 \rangle^0 = \langle f^0 X^0, (f^0)^2 Y^0 \rangle^0.$$

If  $\Phi^*$  is the map induced by  $\Phi$  which takes differential forms on  $V^0$  back to the differential forms on  $V$ , then we have the following

**THEOREM 3.1.** *The structures of the spaces  $V$  and  $V^0$  are related by the following:*

$$(3.5) \quad F^0(X^0, Y^0) \cdot \Phi = e^{2\sigma} F(X, Y),$$

$$(3.6) \quad \Phi^* F^0 = e^{2\sigma} F,$$

$$(3.7) \quad \Phi^*(dF^0) = e^{2\sigma} \{2d\sigma \wedge F + dF\},$$

$$(3.8) \quad \nabla_{X^0}^0(f^0) Y^0 = \{\nabla_X(f)Y + fY(\sigma)X - Y(\sigma)(fX) + \langle fX, Y \rangle \text{grad } \sigma + \langle X, Y \rangle f \text{grad } \sigma\}^0,$$

$$(3.9) \quad \nabla_{X^0}^0(F^0)(Y^0, Z^0) \cdot \Phi = e^{2\sigma} \{\nabla_X(F)(Y, Z) + fY(\sigma)\langle X, Z \rangle - Y(\sigma)F(X, Z) + F(X, Y)Z(\sigma) - \langle X, Y \rangle fZ(\sigma)\},$$

$$(3.10) \quad N^0(X^0, Y^0) = \{N(X, Y)\}^0$$

for all  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(V)$ , where  $N^0$  is the Nijenhuis tensor and  $F^0$  is a 2-form in  $V^0$  defined by

$$(3.11) \quad F^0(X^0, Y^0) = \langle f^0 X^0, Y^0 \rangle^0.$$

**Proof.** The proof of (3.5) follows from (3.1) and (3.4); (3.6) and (3.7) follow from the definition of  $\Phi^*$  and (3.4); (3.8) follows from (2.1) and (3.3); (3.9) is a direct consequence of (2.3) and (3.8); while (3.10) follows from (2.5) and (3.8).

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $\Phi: V \rightarrow V^0$  be a conformal diffeomorphism between *f*-structure manifolds. If  $V \in fH$ , then  $V^0 \in fH$ . On the other hand, suppose*

$\dim V \geq 3$  and  $\Phi$  is not homothetic; then if  $V$  is in one of the classes  $fK$ ,  $fAK$ ,  $fNK$  or  $fQK$ , then  $V^0$  is not in any of the classes  $fK$ ,  $fAK$ ,  $fNK$  or  $fQK$ .

**Proof.** If  $V \in fH$ , then from (3.10) it follows that  $V^0 \in fH$ . Next, if  $V$  is in one of the classes  $fK$ ,  $fAK$ ,  $fNK$ ,  $fQK$ , then in view of theorem (2.3)  $V$  is necessarily  $fQK$ , and consequently theorem (3.1) shows that  $V^0$  is not  $fQK$  and therefore cannot be in any of the classes  $fK$ ,  $fAK$ ,  $fNK$  or  $fQK$ .

Since  $V^0$  is also an  $f$ -structure manifold, we define the complementary projection operators  $l^0$  and  $m^0$  in  $V^0$  corresponding to the projection operators  $l$  and  $m$  in  $V$ , as follows:

$$(3.12) \quad l^0 = -(f^0)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad m^0 = (f^0)^2 + I^0,$$

where  $I^0$  is the identity operator in  $V^0$ . From (3.4) we get

$$(3.13) \quad l^0 X^0 = (lX)^0 \quad \text{and} \quad m^0 X^0 = (mX)^0.$$

Let  $L^0$  and  $M^0$  be the distributions corresponding to operators  $l^0$  and  $m^0$  in  $V^0$  respectively. Then from (3.11) and (3.13) we have the following

**THEOREM 3.3.**

$$(3.14) \quad N^0(m^0 X^0, m^0 Y^0) = \{N(mX, mY)\}^0,$$

$$(3.15) \quad N^0(l^0 X^0, l^0 Y^0) = \{N(lX, lY)\}^0,$$

$$(3.16) \quad N^0(l^0 X^0, m^0 Y^0) = \{N(lX, mY)\}^0.$$

The above theorem together with relation (3.10) provides the proof of the following

**THEOREM 3.4.** *The distribution  $L$  is integrable in  $V$  if and only if the distribution  $L^0$  is integrable in  $V^0$ .*

**THEOREM 3.5.** *The distribution  $M$  is integrable in  $V$  if and only if the distribution  $M^0$  is integrable in  $V^0$ .*

**THEOREM 3.6.** *The distributions  $L$  and  $M$  are both integrable in  $V$  if and only if the distributions  $L^0$  and  $M^0$  are both integrable in  $V^0$ .*

If the distribution  $L$  is integrable and, moreover, if the almost complex structure  $f'$  induced from  $f$  on each integral manifold of  $L$  is integrable, then we say that the  $f$ -structure is partially integrable [3]. A necessary and sufficient condition for an  $f$ -structure to be partially integrable is [3]

$$N(lX, lY) = 0;$$

using equation (3.15), we have the following

**THEOREM 3.7.** *The  $f$ -structure in  $V$  is partially integrable if and only if the  $f$ -structure is partially integrable in  $V^0$ .*

Also the *f*-structure is integrable in  $V$  [3] iff

$$N(X, Y) = 0$$

and consequently in view of (3.10), we have

**THEOREM 3.8.** *The  $f$ -structure is integrable in  $V$  if and only if the  $f$ -structure is integrable in  $V^0$ .*

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