

SHAPE OPERATOR FOR SLANT SUBMANIFOLDS IN GENERALIZED COMPLEX SPACE FORMS

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Some relationships of the shape operator with the sectional curvature and the k -Ricci curvature for slant submanifolds in generalized complex space forms are established.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Nash's immersion theorem guarantees for every n -dimensional Riemannian manifold to admit an isometric immersion into Euclidean space $\mathbb{E}^{\frac{n(n+1)(3n+11)}{2}}$. Thus, one is able to consider any Riemannian manifold as a submanifold of Euclidean space; and this provides a natural motivation for the study of submanifolds of Riemannian manifolds. To find simple relationships between the main intrinsic invariants and the main extrinsic invariants of a submanifold is one of the basic interests of study in the submanifold theory. Gauss-Bonnet Theorem, Isoperimetric inequality and Chern-Lashof Theorem provide relations between extrinsic and extrinsic invariants for a submanifold in a Euclidean space.

In², Chen establishes a relationship between sectional curvature and the shape operator for submanifolds in a real space form. He also establishes sharp relationship between the k -Ricci curvature and the shape operator for a submanifold in a real space form³.

On the other hand, Gray introduced the notion of constant type for a nearly Kähler manifold⁵, which led to definitions of RK -manifolds $\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$ of constant holomorphic sectional curvature c and constant type α [10] and generalized complex space forms $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$ [7]. We have the inclusion relation $\tilde{M}(c) \subset \tilde{M}(c, \alpha) \subset \tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$, where $\tilde{M}(c)$ is the complex space form of constant holomorphic sectional curvature c .

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Thus it is worthwhile to study relationships between intrinsic and extrinsic invariants of submanifolds in a generalized space form. In this paper, we establish several such relationships for slant, totally real and invariant submanifolds in generalized complex space forms, complex space forms and *RK*-manifolds. The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 is preliminary in nature. It contains necessary details about generalized complex space form and its submanifolds. In Section 3, we establish a relation of the shape operator with the sectional curvature for slant submanifolds in generalized complex space form. As an application, we list particular results for different kind of submanifolds in a table. In the last section, a relation between the shape operator and the *k*-Ricci curvature for slant submanifolds in generalized complex space form is established.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Let \tilde{M} be an almost Hermitian manifold with an almost Hermitian structure (J, \langle, \rangle) . An almost Hermitian manifold becomes a nearly Kähler manifold⁵ if $(\tilde{\nabla}_X J)X = 0$, and becomes a Kähler manifold if $\tilde{\nabla} J = 0$ for all $X \in T\tilde{M}$, where $\tilde{\nabla}$ is the Levi-Civita connection of the Riemannian metric \langle, \rangle . An almost Hermitian manifold with *J*-invariant Riemannian curvature tensor \tilde{R} , that is,

$$\tilde{R}(JX, JY, JZ, JW) = \tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, W), \quad X, Y, Z, W \in T\tilde{M},$$

is called an *RK*-manifold¹⁰. All nearly Kähler manifolds belong to the class of *RK*-manifolds.

The notion of constant type was first introduced by Gray for a nearly Kähler manifold⁵. An almost Hermitian manifold \tilde{M} is said to have (point-wise) constant type if for each $p \in \tilde{M}$ and for all $X, Y, Z \in T_p \tilde{M}$ such that

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = \langle X, Z \rangle = \langle X, JY \rangle = \langle X, JZ \rangle = 0, \quad \langle Y, Y \rangle = 1 = \langle Z, Z \rangle$$

we have

$$\tilde{R}(X, Y, X, Y) - \tilde{R}(X, Y, JX, JY) = \tilde{R}(X, Z, X, Z) - \tilde{R}(X, Z, JX, JZ).$$

An *RK*-manifold \tilde{M} has (pointwise) constant type if and only if there is a differentiable function α on \tilde{M} satisfying [10].

$$\tilde{R}(X, Y, X, Y) - \tilde{R}(X, Y, JX, JY) = \alpha \{ \langle X, X \rangle \langle Y, Y \rangle - \langle X, Y \rangle^2 - \langle X, JY \rangle^2 \}$$

for all $X, Y \in T\tilde{M}$. Furthermore, \tilde{M} has global constant type if α is constant. The function α is called the constant type of \tilde{M} . An *RK*-manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature c and constant type α is denoted by $\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$. For $\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$ it is known that¹⁰

$$4\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z = (c + 3\alpha) \{ \langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y \} \\ + (c - \alpha) \{ \langle X, JZ \rangle - JY - \langle Y, JZ \rangle JX + 2 \langle X, JY \rangle JZ \}$$

for all $X, Y, Z \in T\tilde{M}$. If $c = \alpha$ then $\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$ is a space of constant curvature. A complex space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ (a Kähler manifold of constant holomorphic sectional curvature c) belongs to the class of almost Hermitian manifolds $\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$ (with the constant type zero).

An almost Hermitian manifold \tilde{M} is called a generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$ [7] if its Riemannian curvature tensor \tilde{R} satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{R}(X, Y)Z = & f_1 \{ \langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y \} \\ & + f_2 \{ \langle X, JZ \rangle JY - \langle Y, JZ \rangle JX + 2\langle X, JY \rangle JZ \} \end{aligned} \quad \dots (1)$$

for all $X, Y, Z \in T\tilde{M}$, where f_1 and f_2 are smooth functions on \tilde{M} .

The Riemannian invariants are the intrinsic characteristics of a Riemannian manifold. Here, we recall a number of Riemannian invariants in a Riemannian manifold⁴. Let M be a Riemannian manifold and L be a k -plane section of T_pM . For a unit vector U , L , we choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_k\}$ of L such that $e_1 = U$. Let K_{ij} mean the sectional curvature of the plane section spanned by e_i and e_j at $p \in M$. Then the Ricci curvature Ric_L of L at U is given by

$$\text{Ric}_L(U) = K_{12} + K_{13} + \dots + K_{1k} \quad \dots (2)$$

$\text{Ric}_L(U)$ is called a k -Ricci curvature. The scalar curvature τ of the k -plane section L is given by

$$\tau(L) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} K_{ij} \quad \dots (3)$$

Given an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ for T_pM , $\tau_{1 \dots k}$ will denote the scalar curvature of the k -plane section spanned by e_1, \dots, e_k . For each integer $k, 2 \leq k \leq n$, the Riemannian invariant θ_k on an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold M is defined by

$$\theta_k(p) = \left(\frac{1}{k-1} \right) \inf_{L, X} \text{Ric}_L(X), \quad p \in M, \quad \dots (4)$$

where L runs over all k -plane sections in T_pM and X runs over all unit vectors in L .

Let M be an n -dimensional submanifold in a manifold \tilde{M} equipped with a Riemannian metric \langle, \rangle . The Gauss and Weingarten formulae are given respectively by $\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \sigma(X, Y)$ and $\tilde{\nabla}_X N = -A_N X + \nabla_X^\perp N$ for all $X, Y \in TM$ and $N \in T^\perp M$, where $\tilde{\nabla}, \nabla$ and ∇^\perp are respectively the Riemannian, induced Riemannian and induced normal connections in \tilde{M}, M and the normal bundle $T^\perp M$ of M respectively, and σ is the second fundamental form related to the shape operator A_N in the direction of N by $\langle \sigma(X, Y), N \rangle = \langle A_N X, Y \rangle$. The mean curvature vector H is expressed by $nH = \text{trace } \sigma$. The submanifold M is totally geodesic in \tilde{M} if $\sigma = 0$. The relative null space of M at a point $p \in M$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{N}_p = \{X \in T_pM \mid \sigma(X, Y) = 0 \text{ for all } Y \in T_pM\}.$$

In a submanifold M of an almost Hermitian manifold, for a vector $0 \neq X_p \in T_pM$, the angle $\theta(X_p)$ between JX_p and the tangent space T_pM is called the Wirtinger angle of X_p . If the Wirtinger

angle is independent of $p \in M$ and $X_p \in T_pM$, then M is called a slant submanifold¹. We put $JX = PX + FX$ for $X \in TM$, where PX (resp. FX) is the projection of JX on TM (resp. $T^\perp M$). Slant submanifolds of almost Hermitian manifolds are characterized by the condition $P^2 + \lambda^2 I = 0$ for some real number $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. Invariant and anti-invariant submanifolds are slant submanifolds with $\theta = 0$ ($F = 0$) and $\theta = \pi/2$ ($P = 0$) respectively. For more details about slant submanifolds we refer to [1].

3. SHAPE OPERATOR AND SECTIONAL CURVATURE

Let M be an n -dimensional θ -slant submanifold of a $2m$ -dimensional generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$. Let $p \in M$ and a number of $f_p > f_1 + 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta$ such that the sectional curvature $K \geq f_p$ at p . We choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{2m}\}$ at p such that e_{n+1} is parallel to the mean curvature vector H , and e_1, \dots, e_n diagonalize the shape operator A_{n+1} . Then we have

$$A_{n+1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_n \end{pmatrix}, \quad \dots (5)$$

trace $A_r = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{ii}^r = 0, \quad A_r = \left(\sigma_{ij}^r \right) i, j = 1, \dots, n; \quad r = n+2, \dots, 2m. \quad \dots (6)$

For $i \neq j$, we put

$$u_{ij} \equiv a_i a_j. \quad \dots (7)$$

Moreover, Gauss equation is given by⁸

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, YZ, W) &= f_1 \{ \langle Y, Z \rangle \langle X, W \rangle - \langle X, Z \rangle \langle Y, W \rangle \} \\ &+ f_2 \{ \langle X, PZ \rangle \langle PY, W \rangle - \langle Y, PZ \rangle \langle PX, W \rangle + 2 \langle X, PY \rangle \langle PZ, W \rangle \} \\ &+ \langle \sigma(X, W), \sigma(Y, Z) \rangle - \langle \sigma(X, Z), \sigma(Y, W) \rangle \end{aligned} \quad \dots (8)$$

for all $X, Y, Z, W \in TM$, where R is the curvature tensors of M . In view of eq. (8), for $X = Z = e_i, Y = W = e_j$, we have

$$u_{ij} \geq f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \langle e_i, P e_j \rangle^2 - \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \left(\sigma_{ii}^r \sigma_{jj}^r - (\sigma_{ij}^r)^2 \right). \quad \dots (9)$$

Now, we prove the following Lemma.

Lemma 3.1 — For u_{ij} we have the following properties:

- (1) For any fixed $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, we have

$$\sum_{i \neq j} u_{ij} \geq (n-1)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta).$$

(2) For distinct $i, j, k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ it follows that $a_i^2 = u_{ij}u_{ik}/u_{jk}$.

(3) For a fixed $k, 1 \leq k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$ and for each $B \in S_k \equiv \{B \subset \{1, \dots, n\} : |B| = k\}$, we have

$$\sum_{j \in B} \sum_{t \in \bar{B}} u_{jt} \geq k(n-k)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta).$$

where \bar{B} is the complement of B in $\{1, \dots, n\}$.

(4) For distinct $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, it follows that $u_{ij} > 0$.

PROOF : (1) From (6), (7) and (9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \neq j} u_{ij} &\geq (n-1)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) - \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \left(\sigma_{ii}^r \left(\sum_{j \neq i} \sigma_{jj}^r \right) - \sum_{j \neq i} (\sigma_{ij}^r)^2 \right) \\ &= (n-1)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) - \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \left(\sigma_{ii}^r (-\sigma_{ii}^r) - \sum_{j \neq i} (\sigma_{ij}^r)^2 \right) \\ &= (n-1)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) + \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n (\sigma_{ij}^r)^2 \\ &\geq (n-1)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

(2) We have $u_{ij}u_{ik}/u_{jk} = a_i a_j a_k / a_j a_k = a_i^2$.

(3) Let $B = \{1, \dots, k\}$ and $\bar{B} = \{k+1, \dots, n\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \in B} \sum_{t \in \bar{B}} u_{jt} &\geq k(n-k)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) \\ &\quad - \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{t=k+1}^n \left[\sigma_{jj}^r \sigma_{tt}^r - (\sigma_{jt}^r)^2 \right] \right) \\ &= k(n-k)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) \\ &\quad + \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{t=k+1}^n (\sigma_{jt}^r)^2 + \sum_{j=1}^k (\sigma_{jj}^r)^2 \right) \\ &\geq k(n-k)(f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta). \end{aligned}$$

(4) For $i \neq j$, if $u_{ij} = 0$ then $a_i = 0$ or $a_j = 0$. The statement $a_i = 0$ implies that $u_{il} = a_i a_l = 0$ for all $l \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $l \neq i$. Then, we get

$$\sum_{j \neq i} u_{ij} = 0,$$

which is a contradiction with (1). Thus, for $i \neq j$, it follows that $u_{ij} \neq 0$. We assume that $u_{1n} < 0$. From (2), for $1 < i < n$, we get $u_{1i} u_{in} < 0$. Without loss of generality, we may assume

$$\begin{aligned} u_{12}, \dots, u_{1l}, u_{(l+1)n}, \dots, u_{(n-1)n} &> 0 \\ u_{1(l+1)}, \dots, u_{1n}, u_{2n}, \dots, u_{ln} &< 0, \end{aligned} \quad \dots (10)$$

for some $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor \leq l \leq n-1$. If $l = n-1$, then $u_{1n} + u_{2n} + \dots + u_{(n-1)n} < 0$, which contradicts to (1).

Thus $l < n-1$. From (2), we get:

$$a_n^2 = \frac{u_{in} u_{in}}{u_{ii}} > 0, \quad \dots (11)$$

where $2 \leq i \leq l, l+1 \leq t \leq n-1$. By (10) and (11), we obtain $u_{it} < 0$ which implies that

$$\sum_{i=1}^l \sum_{t=l+1}^n u_{it} = \sum_{i=2}^l \sum_{t=l+1}^{n-1} u_{it} + \sum_{i=1}^l u_{in} + \sum_{t=l+1}^n u_{1t} < 0,$$

which is a contradiction to (3). Thus (4) is proved. □

Chen established a sharp relationship between the shape operator and the sectional curvature for submanifolds in real space forms². A similar inequality for a slant submanifold in a complex space form is proved in⁶. As a natural generalization to the above two kinds of results, we establish a similar inequality between the shape operator and the sectional curvature for slant submanifolds in a generalized complex space form in the following theorem.

Theorem 3.2 — *Let $i : M \rightarrow \tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$ be an isometric immersion of an n -dimensional θ -slant submanifold into a $2m$ -dimensional generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$. If at a point $p \in M$ there exists a number $f_p > f_1 + 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta$ such that the sectional curvature $K \geq f_p$ at p , then the shape operator A_H at the mean curvature vector satisfies*

$$A_H > \frac{n-1}{n} (f_p - f_1 - 2f_2 \cos^2 \theta) I_n, \quad \text{at } p, \quad \dots (12)$$

where I_n is the identity map.

PROOF : Let $p \in M$ and a number $f_p > f_1 + 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta$ such that the sectional curvature $K \geq f_p$ at p . Choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{2m}\}$ at p such that e_{n+1} is parallel to the mean curvature vector H , and e_1, \dots, e_n diagonalize the shape operator A_{n+1} . Now, from Lemma 3.1 it follows that a_1, \dots, a_n have the same sign. We assume that $a_j > 0$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Then

$$\sum_{j \neq i} u_{ij} = a_i (a_1 + \dots + a_n) - a_i^2 \geq (n-1) (f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta).$$

From (5) and the above relation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_i \|H\| &\geq (n-1) (f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta) + a_i^2 \\ &> (n-1) (f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$a_i \|H\| > \frac{n-1}{n} (f_p - f_1 - 3f_2 \cos^2 \theta),$$

and consequently we get (12). □

As an application, from the above theorem we are able to state the following corollary

Corollary 3.3 — We have the following table:

Manifold	Submanifold	$K \geq f_p$	Inequality
$\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$	totally real	$f_p > f_1$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - f_1) I_n$
$\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$	invariant	$f_p > f_1 + 3f_2$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - f_1 - 3f_2) I_n$
$\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$	θ -slant	$f_p > 3\alpha \sin^2 \theta + (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta) c$	$nA_H > (n-1) \{f_p - 3\alpha \sin^2 \theta - (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta) c\} I_n$
$\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$	totally real	$f_p > c + 3\alpha$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - c - 3\alpha) I_n$
$\tilde{M}(c, \alpha)$	invariant	$f_p > 4c$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - 4c) I_n$
$\tilde{M}(4c)$	θ -slant	$f_p > c(1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta)$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - c - 3c \cos^2 \theta) I_n$
$\tilde{M}(4c)$	totally real	$f_p > c$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - c) I_n$
$\tilde{M}(4c)$	invariant	$f_p > 4c$	$nA_H > (n-1) (f_p - 4c) I_n$

4. SHAPE OPERATOR AND k -RICCI CURVATURE

Chen established a relationship between the shape operator and the k -Ricci curvature for a submanifold with arbitrary codimension³. A corresponding inequality for a slant submanifold of a complex space form is established in⁶. In this section, we prove a relationship between the shape operator and the k -Ricci curvature for an n -dimensional slant submanifold M of a $2m$ -dimensional generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$.

First we recall the Theorem 5.2 of [9] in the following Lemma.

Lemma 4.1 — Let M be an n -dimensional submanifold of a generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$. Then, we have

$$\|H\|^2(p) \geq \theta_k(p) - f_1 - \frac{3f_2 \|P\|^2}{n(n-1)} \quad \dots (13)$$

Now, we prove the theorem.

Theorem 4.1 — *Let M be an n -dimensional θ -slant submanifold isometrically immersed in a $2m$ -dimensional generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$. Then, for any integer $k, 2 \leq k \leq n$, and any point $p \in M$, we have*

(1) *If $\theta_k(p) \neq f_1 + \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$, then the shape operator at the mean curvature satisfies*

$$A_H > \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - f_1 - \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) I_n \quad \text{at } p. \quad \dots (14)$$

(2) *If $\theta_k(p) = f_1 + \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$, then $A_H \geq 0$ at p .*

(3) *For a unit vector $X \in T_p M$ it follows that*

$$A_H = \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - f_1 - \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) X. \quad \dots (15)$$

if and only if $\theta_k(p) = f_1 + \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$ and $X \in \mathcal{N}_p$.

(4) *$A_H > \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - f_1 - \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) I_n$ at p if and only if p is a totally geodesic point, that is, the second fundamental form vanishes identically at p .*

PROOF : In view of Lemma 4.1, it follows that $H(p)$ vanishes only when $\theta_k(p) \leq f_1 + \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$. Consequently if $H(p) = 0$, the statements (1) and (2) are correct. Now, we assume that $H(p) \neq 0$. From the equation (5) we obtain

$$a_i a_j = K_{ij} - f_1 - 3f_2 \langle e_i, J e_j \rangle - \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \left(\sigma_{ii}^r \sigma_{jj}^r - (\sigma_{ij}^r)^2 \right), \quad \dots (16)$$

which implies that

$$a_1(a_{i_2} + \dots + a_{i_k}) = \text{Ric}_{L_{i_2 \dots i_k}}(e_1) - (k-1)f_1 - 3f_2 \sum_{j=2}^k \langle e_1, J e_{i_j} \rangle$$

$$- \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \sum_{j=2}^k \left(\sigma_{11}^r \sigma_{jj}^r - (\sigma_{1j}^r)^2 \right). \quad \dots (17)$$

From the above equation we get

$$a_1(a_2 + \dots + a_n) = \frac{1}{C_{k-2}^{n-2}} \sum_{2 \leq i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n} \text{Ric}_{L_{1i_2 \dots i_k}}(e_1) - (n-1)f_1 - 3f_1 \sum_{j=2}^n \langle e_1, J e_j \rangle + \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n (\sigma_{1j}^r)^2. \quad \dots (18)$$

From (4) and (18) we obtain

$$a_1(a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n) \geq a_1(a_2 + \dots + a_n) \geq (n-1) \left(\theta_k(p) - f_1 - \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right). \quad \dots (19)$$

Since $n \|H\| = a_1 + \dots + a_n$, the above equation implies

$$A_H \geq \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - f_1 - \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) I_n.$$

The equality does not hold because in our case $H(p) \neq 0$.

The statement (2) is obvious.

Now, we prove the statement (3). Let $X \in T_p M$ be a unit vector satisfying (15). By (19) and (18) we get $a_1 = 0$ and $\sigma_{1j}^r = 0$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $r \in \{n+2, \dots, 2m\}$. Thus the above conditions imply that $\theta_k(p) = f_1 + \frac{3f_2 \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$ and $X \in \mathcal{N}_p$. The converse is straightforward.

The equality (15) is true for $X \in T_p M$ if and only if $\mathcal{N}_p = T_p M$, that is, p is a totally geodesic point. This proves the statement (4). □

Now, we are able to state the following corollaries.

Corollary 4.3 — Let M be an n -dimensional totally real submanifold isometrically immersed in a $2m$ -dimensional generalized complex space form $\tilde{M}(f_1, f_2)$. Then, for any integer $k, 2 \leq k \leq n$, and any point $p \in M$, we have:

(1) If $\theta_k(p) \neq f_1$, then the shape operator at the mean curvature satisfies

$$A_H > \frac{n-1}{n} (\theta_k(p) - f_1) I_n, \quad \text{at } p$$

where I_n denotes the identity map of $T_p M$.

(2) If $\theta_k(p) = f_1$, then $A_H \geq 0$ at p .

(3) A unit vector $X \in T_p M$ satisfies

$$A_H X = \frac{n-1}{n} (\theta_k(p) - f_1) X$$

if and only if $\theta_k(p) \neq f_1$ and $X \in \mathcal{N}_p$.

(4) For $p \in M$, $A_H = \frac{n-1}{n} (\theta_k(p) - f_1) I_n$ at p if and only if p is a totally geodesic point.

Corollary 4.4. — Let M be an n -dimensional θ -slant submanifold isometrically immersed in a $2m$ -dimensional RK -manifold $\bar{M}(c, \alpha)$. Then, for any integer k , $2 \leq k \leq n$, and any point $p \in M$, we have:

(1) If $\theta_k(p) \neq (c + 3\alpha) + \frac{3(c - \alpha) \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$, then the shape operator at the mean curvature satisfies

$$A_H > \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - (c + 3\alpha) - \frac{3(c - \alpha) \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) I_n, \quad \text{at } p,$$

where I_n denotes the identity map of $T_p M$.

(2) If $\theta_k(p) = (c + 3\alpha) + \frac{3(c - \alpha) \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$, then $A_H \geq 0$ at p .

(3) A unit vector $X \in T_p M$ satisfies

$$A_H X = \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - (c + 3\alpha) - \frac{3(c - \alpha) \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) X$$

if and only if $\theta_k(p) \neq (c + 3\alpha) + \frac{3(c - \alpha) \cos^2 \theta}{n-1}$ and $X \in \mathcal{N}_p$.

(4) For $p \in M$, $A_H = \frac{n-1}{n} \left(\theta_k(p) - (c + 3\alpha) - \frac{3(c - \alpha) \cos^2 \theta}{n-1} \right) I_n$ at p

if and only if p is a totally geodesic point.

Corollary 4.5 — Let M be an n -dimensional totally real submanifold isometrically immersed in a $2m$ -dimensional RK -manifold $\bar{M}(c, \alpha)$. Then, for any integer k , $2 \leq k \leq n$, and any point $p \in M$, we have:

(1) If $\theta_k(p) \neq c + 3\alpha$, then the shape operator at the mean curvature satisfies

$$A_H > \frac{n-1}{n} (\theta_k(p) - c - 3\alpha) I_n, \quad \text{at } p,$$

where I_n denotes the identity map of $T_p M$.

(2) If $\theta_k(p) = c + 3\alpha$, then $A_H \geq 0$ at p .

(3) A unit vector $X \in T_p M$ satisfies

$$A_H X = \frac{n-1}{n} (\theta_k(p) - c - 3\alpha) X$$

if and only if $\theta_k(p) \neq c + 3\alpha$ and $X \in \mathcal{N}_p$.

(4) For $p \in M$, $A_H = \frac{n-1}{n} (\theta_k(p) - c - 3\alpha) I_n$ at p if and only if p is a totally geodesic point.

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