

C-totally real pseudo-parallel submanifolds of S-space forms

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Abstract. Let $\overline{M}(c)$ be a $(2n + s)$ -dimensional S-space form of constant f -sectional curvature c and M be an n -dimensional C-totally real, minimal submanifold of $\overline{M}(c)$. We prove that if M is pseudo parallel and $Ln - \frac{1}{4}(n(c + 3s) + c - s) \geq 0$, then M is totally geodesic.

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1 Introduction

Given an isometric immersion $F : M \rightarrow \overline{M}$, let h be the second fundamental form and $\overline{\nabla}$ the Van der Waerden- Bortolotti connection of M . Then Deprez defined the immersion to be semi-parallel if

$$\overline{R}(X, Y).h = (\overline{\nabla}_X \overline{\nabla}_Y - \overline{\nabla}_Y \overline{\nabla}_X - \overline{\nabla}_{[X, Y]}) h = 0, \quad (1)$$

holds for any vectors X, Y tangent to M . Deprez mainly paid attention to the case of semi-parallel immersion in a real space form [see [9], [10]]. Later, Lumiste showed that a semi-parallel submanifold is the second order envelop of the family of parallel submanifolds [14].

In [11], authors obtained some results on hypersurfaces in 4-dimension space form $N^4(c)$ satisfying the curvature condition

$$\overline{R}.h = LQ(g, h). \quad (2)$$

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The submanifolds satisfying (1.2) are called pseudo-parallel [[1], [2]].

In [1], authors have shown that if F is a pseudo-parallel immersion with $H(p) = 0$ and $L(p) - c \geq 0$, then the point p is a geodesic point of M .

In the present paper, we generalize their results for the case of M , that is a submanifold of S -space form $\bar{M}(c)$ of constant f -sectional curvature c .

We prove the following result:

Theorem 1. *Let $\bar{M}(c)$ be a $(2n + s)$ -dimensional S -space form of constant f -sectional curvature c and M be an n -dimensional C -totally real, minimal submanifold of $\bar{M}(c)$. If M is pseudo-parallel and $Ln - \frac{1}{4}(n(c + 3s) + c - s) \geq 0$, then M is totally geodesic.*

2 Preliminaries

Let (M, g) be an n -dimensional ($n \geq 3$) connected semi-Riemannian manifold of class C^∞ . We denote by ∇ , R and S the Levi-Civita connection, Riemannian curvature tensor, and Ricci tensor of (M, g) , respectively. The Ricci operator Q is defined by $g(QX, Y) = S(X, Y)$, where $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, $\chi(M)$ being the Lie algebra of vector fields on M . Now we define endomorphisms $R(X, Y)$ and $X\Lambda_A Y$ of $\chi(M)$ by

$$R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]} Z, \quad (3)$$

$$(X\Lambda_A Y)Z = A(Y, Z)X - A(X, Z)Y, \quad (4)$$

where $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$ and A is a symmetric $(0,2)$ -tensor.

A concircular curvature tensor Z is defined by

$$Z(X, Y) = R(X, Y) - \frac{\kappa}{n(n-1)}(X\Lambda_A Y),$$

where κ is scalar curvature of M .

Let $F : M \rightarrow \bar{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold M into a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional real space form $\bar{M}(c)$. We denote by ∇ and $\bar{\nabla}$ the Levi-Civita connection of M and $\bar{M}(c)$, respectively. Also, we denote by $N(M)$ its normal bundle. Then for vector fields X, Y which are tangent to M , the second fundamental form h is given by the formula $h(X, Y) = \bar{\nabla}_X Y - \nabla_X Y$. Furthermore, for $\xi \in N(M)$, $A_\xi : TM \rightarrow TM$ denotes the Weingarten operator in the ξ -direction, $A_\xi X = \nabla_X^\perp \xi - \bar{\nabla}_X \xi$, where ∇^\perp denotes normal connection on M . The second fundamental form h and A_ξ are related by $\bar{g}(h(X, Y), \xi) = g(A_\xi X, Y)$, where g is the induced metric of \bar{g} for any vector fields X, Y tangent to M . The mean curvature vector H of M is defined as

$$H = \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(h).$$

The covariant derivative $\bar{\nabla}h$ of h is defined by

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = \nabla_X^\perp(h(Y, Z)) - h(\nabla_X Y, Z) - h(Y, \nabla_X Z), \quad (5)$$

where $\bar{\nabla}h$ is a normal bundle valued tensor of type $(0, 3)$ and is called the third fundamental form of M . The equation of Codazzi implies that $\bar{\nabla}h$ is symmetric and hence

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X h)(Y, Z) = (\bar{\nabla}_Y h)(X, Z) = (\bar{\nabla}_Z h)(X, Y). \quad (6)$$

Here, $\bar{\nabla}$ is called the Van der Waerden - Bortolotti connection of M . If $\bar{\nabla}h = 0$, then F is called parallel [13].

The basic equations of Gauss and Ricci are

$$\bar{g}(R(X, Y)Z, W) = cg(X\wedge Y(Z)) + g(h(X, W), h(Y, Z)) - g(h(X, Z), h(Y, W)), \quad (7)$$

$$\bar{g}(R^\perp(X, Y)\xi, \eta) = g([A_\xi, A_\eta]X, Y), \quad \xi, \eta \in N(M), \quad (8)$$

respectively. Here R^\perp is the curvature operator of the normal connection defined by

$$R^\perp(X, Y) = \nabla_X^\perp \nabla_Y^\perp Z - \nabla_Y^\perp \nabla_X^\perp Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]}^\perp Z.$$

An isometric immersion F is said to have flat normal connection if $R^\perp = 0$. If M has flat normal connection, then it called normally flat.

The second covariant derivative $\bar{\nabla}^2 h$ of h is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\nabla}^2 h)(Z, W, X, Y) &= (\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{\nabla}_Y h)(Z, W) \\ &= \nabla_X^\perp (\bar{\nabla}_Y h)(Z, W) - (\bar{\nabla}_Y h)(\nabla_X Z, W) - (\bar{\nabla}_X h)(Z, \nabla_Y W) - (\bar{\nabla}_{\nabla_X Y} h)(Z, W). \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{\nabla}_Y h)(Z, W) - (\bar{\nabla}_Y \bar{\nabla}_X h)(Z, W) &= (\bar{R}(X, Y).h)(Z, W), \\ &= R^\perp(X, Y)h(Z, W) - h(R(X, Y)Z, W) - h(Z, R(X, Y)W), \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where \bar{R} is curvature tensor belonging to the connection $\bar{\nabla}$.

3 S-space forms

Let \bar{M} be a $(2m + s)$ -dimensional framed metric manifold [18] (or almost r -contact metric manifolds [17]) with a framed metric structure $(f, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, \bar{g})$, $\alpha \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$, where f is a $(1, 1)$ tensor field defining an f -structure of

rank $2m$, $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_s$ are vector fields, $\eta^1, \eta^2, \dots, \eta^s$ are 1-forms and \bar{g} is a Riemannian metric on \bar{M} such that for all $X, Y \in T\bar{M}$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$,

$$f^2 = -I + \eta^\alpha \otimes \xi_\alpha, \quad \eta^\alpha(\xi_\alpha) = \delta_\beta^\alpha, \quad f(\xi_\alpha) = 0, \quad \eta^\alpha \circ f = 0, \quad (11)$$

$$\bar{g}(fX, fY) = \bar{g}(X, Y) - \sum_\alpha \eta^\alpha(X)\eta^\alpha(Y), \quad (12)$$

$$\Omega(X, Y) \equiv \bar{g}(X, fY) = -\Omega(Y, X), \quad \bar{g}(X, \xi_\alpha) = \eta^\alpha(X). \quad (13)$$

A framed metric structure is an S-structure [3] if $[f, f] + 2d\eta^\alpha \otimes \xi_\alpha = 0$ and $\Omega = d\eta^\alpha$ for all $\alpha \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$. When $s = 1$, a framed metric structure is an almost contact metric structure, while an S-structure is a Sasakian-structure. When $s = 0$, a framed metric structure is an almost Hermitian structure, while an S-structure is Kähler structure. If a framed metric structure on \bar{M} is an S-structure, then it is known [3] that

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X f)Y = \sum_\alpha (\bar{g}(fX, fY)\xi_\alpha + \eta^\alpha(Y)f^2X), \quad (14)$$

$$\bar{\nabla}\xi_\alpha = -f, \quad \alpha \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}. \quad (15)$$

The converse may also be proved. In case of Sasakian structure (i.e. $s = 1$) (3.4) implies (3.5). In Kähler case (i.e. $s = 0$), we get $\bar{\nabla}f = 0$. For $s > 1$, examples of S-structure are given in [3] [4] [5].

A plane section in $T_p\bar{M}$ is called a f -section if there exists a vector $X \in T_p\bar{M}$ orthogonal to $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_s$ such that $\{X, fX\}$ span the section. The sectional curvature of a f -section is called a f -sectional curvature. It is known that [14] in an S-manifold of constant f -sectional curvature c

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z &= \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \{\eta^\alpha(X)\eta^\beta(Z)f^2Y - \eta^\alpha(Y)\eta^\beta(Z)f^2X \\ &\quad - \bar{g}(fX, fY)\eta^\alpha(Y)\xi_\beta + \bar{g}(fY, fZ)\eta^\alpha(X)\xi_\beta\} \\ &\quad + \frac{(c+3s)}{4} \{-\bar{g}(fY, fZ)f^2X + \bar{g}(fX, fZ)f^2Y\} \\ &\quad + \frac{(c-s)}{4} \{\bar{g}(X, fZ)fY - \bar{g}(Y, fZ)fX + 2\bar{g}(X, fY)fZ\}, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

for all $X, Y, Z \in T\bar{M}$, where \bar{R} is curvature tensor of \bar{M} . An S-manifold of constant f -sectional curvature c is called an S-space form $\bar{M}(c)$.

A submanifold M of an S-space form $\bar{M}(c)$ is called a C-totally real submanifold if and only if $f(T_xM) \subset T_x^\perp M$, for all $x \in M$ (T_xM and $T_x^\perp M$ are respectively the tangent space and normal space of M at x). When ξ_α is tangent to M , M is a C-totally real submanifold if and only if $\nabla_X \xi_\alpha = 0$, for all

$X \in M$, $\alpha \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$, where ∇ is the connection on M induced from Levi-Civita connection $\bar{\nabla}$ on \bar{M} . It is to see that the C-totally real submanifolds M of \bar{M} are submanifolds with $\xi_\alpha \in T^\perp M$.

We already know that [1] if M is an n -dimensional C-totally real submanifold of a $(2m + s)$ -dimensional S-space form $\bar{M}(c)$, then following statements are equivalent:

- (i) M is totally geodesic.
- (ii) M is of constant curvature $K = \frac{1}{4}(c + 3s)$.
- (iii) The Ricci tensor $S = \frac{1}{4}(n - 1)(c + 3s)g$.
- (iv) The scalar curvature $\kappa = \frac{1}{4}n(n - 1)(c + 3s)$.

Following the argument as in [11], we can prove

Theorem 2. *Let M be a minimal, C-totally real submanifold of an S-space form $\bar{M}(c)$, then*

$$\kappa > \frac{n^2(n - 2)}{2(2n - 1)}(c + 3s),$$

implies that M is totally geodesic.

Following the argument as in [10], we can prove:

Proposition 1. *If M is an n -dimensional C-totally real submanifold of an S-space form $\bar{M}(c)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i) M is minimal.
- (ii) The mean curvature vector H of M is parallel.

4 Main Results

Theorem 3. *Let $\bar{M}(c)$ be a $(2n + s)$ -dimensional S-space form of constant f -sectional curvature c and M be an n -dimensional C-totally real, minimal submanifold of $\bar{M}(c)$. If M is pseudo parallel and $Ln - \frac{1}{4}(n(c + 3s) + c - s) \geq 0$, then M is totally geodesic.*

Proof. Let M be an n -dimensional C-totally real submanifold of a $(2n + s)$ -dimensional S-space form $\bar{M}(c)$ of constant f -sectional curvature c . We choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, fe_1 = e_1^*, \dots, fe_n = e_n^*, e_{n+1}^* = \xi_1, \dots, e_{n+s}^* = \xi_s\}$. Then for $1 \leq i, j \leq n, n + 1 \leq \alpha \leq 2n + s$, the components of second fundamental form h are given by

$$h_{ij}^\alpha = g(h(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha). \quad (17)$$

Similarly, the components of first and second covariant derivative of h are given by

$$h_{ij}^\alpha = g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha) = \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h_{ij}^\alpha \quad (18)$$

and

$$h_{ijkl}^\alpha = g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_l} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha) = \bar{\nabla}_{e_l} h_{ijk}^\alpha = \bar{\nabla}_{e_l} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h_{ij}^\alpha \quad (19)$$

respectively. It is well known that

$$h_{ij}^{k*} = h_{kj}^{i*} = h_{ik}^{j*}, \quad h_{ij}^{(n+1)*} = 0.$$

If F is pseudo-parallel, then by definition, the condition

$$\bar{R}(e_l, e_k).h = L[(e_l \Lambda_g e_k)]h \quad (20)$$

is fulfilled where

$$[(e_l \Lambda_g e_k)h](e_i, e_j) = -h((e_l \Lambda_g e_k)e_i, e_j) - h(e_i, (e_l \Lambda_g e_k)e_j), \quad (21)$$

for $1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n$.

Now using (2.2) in (4.5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (e_i, e_j) &= -g(e_k, e_i)h(e_l, e_j) + g(e_l, e_i)h(e_k, e_j) \\ &\quad - g(e_k, e_j)h(e_l, e_i) + g(e_l, e_j)h(e_k, e_i). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

By (2.9) we have

$$(\bar{R}(e_l, e_k).h)(e_i, e_j) = (\bar{\nabla}_{e_l} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j) - (\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_l} h)(e_i, e_j). \quad (23)$$

Making use of (4.1), (4.3), (4.6) and (4.7), the pseudo-parallelity condition (4.4) gives us

$$h_{ijkl}^\alpha = h_{ijlk}^\alpha - L\{\delta_{ki}h_{lj}^\alpha - \delta_{li}h_{kj}^\alpha + \delta_{kj}h_{il}^\alpha - \delta_{lj}h_{ki}^\alpha\}, \quad (24)$$

where $g(e_i, e_j) = \delta_{ij}$ and $1 \leq i, j, k, l \leq n$, $n+1 \leq \alpha \leq 2n+s$.

Recall that the Laplacian Δh_{ij}^α of h_{ij}^α is defined by

$$\Delta h_{ij}^\alpha = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^n h_{ijkk}^\alpha. \quad (25)$$

Then we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta(\|h\|^2) = \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n \sum_{\alpha=n+1}^{2n+s} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ijkl}^\alpha + \|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2, \quad (26)$$

where

$$\|h\|^2 = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^n \sum_{\alpha=n+1}^{2n+s} (h_{ij}^\alpha)^2, \quad (27)$$

$$\|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2 = \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^n \sum_{\alpha=n+1}^{2n+s} (h_{ijkl}^\alpha)^2, \quad (28)$$

are the square of the length of second and third fundamental forms of M , respectively. In view of (4.1) and (4.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} h_{ij}^\alpha h_{ijkk}^\alpha &= g(h(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha) g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha) \\ &= g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), g(h(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha), e_\alpha) \\ &= g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j)). \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

Therefore, due to (4.13), equation (4.10) becomes

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta(\|h\|^2) = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^n g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j)) + \|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2. \quad (30)$$

Further, by the use of (4.4), (4.6) and (4.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j)) &= g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_k} \bar{\nabla}_{e_i} h)(e_k, e_j), h(e_i, e_j)) \\ &= g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_i} \bar{\nabla}_{e_k} h)(e_j, e_k)) - L\{g(e_i, e_j)g(h(e_k, e_k), h(e_i, e_j)) \\ &\quad - g(e_k, e_j)g(h(e_k, e_i), h(e_i, e_j)) + g(e_k, e_i)g(h(e_j, e_k), h(e_i, e_j)) \\ &\quad - g(e_k, e_k)g(h(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j))\}. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

From equations (4.14) and (4.15), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \Delta(\|h\|^2) &= \sum_{i,j,k=1}^n [g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_i} \bar{\nabla}_{e_j} h)(e_k, e_k), h(e_i, e_j)) \\ &\quad - L\{g(e_i, e_j)g(h(e_k, e_k), h(e_i, e_j)) - g(e_k, e_j)g(h(e_k, e_i), h(e_i, e_j)) \\ &\quad + g(e_k, e_i)g(h(e_j, e_k), h(e_i, e_j)) - g(e_k, e_k)g(h(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j))\}] \\ &\quad + \|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Further by definitions

$$\begin{aligned} \|h\|^2 &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n g(h(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j)), \\ H^\alpha &= \sum_{k=1}^n h_{kk}^\alpha, \\ \|H\|^2 &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{\alpha=n+1}^{2n+s} (H^\alpha)^2, \end{aligned}$$

and after some calculations, we get

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta(\|h\|^2) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \sum_{\alpha=n+1}^{2n+s} h_{ij}^\alpha (\bar{\nabla}_{e_i} \bar{\nabla}_{e_j} H^\alpha) - L\{n^2\|H\|^2 - n\|h\|^2\} + \|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2. \quad (33)$$

Using minimality condition, equation (4.17) reduces to

$$\frac{1}{2}\Delta(\|h\|^2) = Ln\|h\|^2 + \|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2. \quad (34)$$

Now, using the arguments as Blair has shown in [9], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}\Delta(\|h\|^2) &= \|\bar{\nabla}h\|^2 - \sum_{\alpha,\beta=n+1}^{2n+s} \{[Tr(A_\alpha o A_\beta)]^2 + \|[A_\alpha, A_\beta]\|^2\} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4}(n(c+3s) + c - s)\|h\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

From (4.18) and (4.19), we have

$$0 = (Ln - \frac{1}{4}(n(c+3s) + c - s))\|h\|^2 + \sum_{\alpha,\beta=n+1}^{2n+s} \{[Tr(A_\alpha o A_\beta)]^2 + \|[A_\alpha, A_\beta]\|^2\},$$

if $Ln - \frac{1}{4}(n(c+3s) + c - s) \geq 0$, then $Tr(A_\alpha o A_\beta) = 0$.

In particular, $\|A_\alpha\|^2 = Tr(A_\alpha o A_\beta) = 0$, then $h = 0$ and hence M is totally geodesic.

Corollary 1. *Let $\bar{M}(c)$ be a $(2n+s)$ -dimensional S -space form of constant f -sectional curvature c and M be an n -dimensional C -totally real, minimal submanifold of $\bar{M}(c)$. If M is semi-parallel (i.e. $\bar{R}.h = 0$) and $n(c+3s) + c - s \leq 0$, then it is totally geodesic.*

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