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H-PROJECTIVE CONNECTIONS AND H-PROJECTIVE TRANSFORMATIONS

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Introduction

Let M be an n -dimensional complex manifold. We write J for its natural almost complex structure. Let ∇ be an almost complex affine connection without torsion on M . A curve $c(t)$ in M is called an H -planner curve with respect to ∇ if

$$(0.1) \quad \nabla_{c'} c' = ac' + bJc'$$

for certain smooth functions a and b . Two almost complex affine connections ∇ and ∇' without torsion are said to be H -projectively equivalent if they have their H -planner curves in common. From the result of T. Otsuki and Y. Tashiro, this is equivalent to existence of a 1-form ρ on M satisfying

$$(0.2) \quad \nabla_X Y - \nabla'_X Y = \rho(X)Y + \rho(Y)X - \rho(JX)JY - \rho(JY)JX$$

for arbitrary vector fields X and Y ([5], [8]). By an H -projective transformation of ∇ , we mean a biholomorphic transformation $f : M \rightarrow M$ such that $f^*\nabla$ and ∇ are H -projectively equivalent. For example, let $P^n(\mathbf{C}) = L/L_0$ be the n -dimensional complex projective space of lines in \mathbf{C}^{n+1} with the usual connection, where

$$(0.3) \quad L = SL(n+1, \mathbf{C}), \\ L_0 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & u \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix} \in SL(n+1, \mathbf{C}) \mid B \in GL(n, \mathbf{C}) \right\}.$$

Then $L/(\text{center})$ is the group of all H -projective transformations.

In the present paper, we shall study H -projective equivalence from the view point of L_0 -structure of second order, studied by N. Tanaka and T. Ochiai. In fact, we shall show that H -projective equivalence of ∇ and ∇' is the same as $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ -equivalence in [6] and [4] (Theorem 1). Therefore, using their results, the family $\{\nabla\}$ of almost complex affine connections without torsion which are H -projectively equivalent to ∇ uniquely determines a Cartan connection ω of type $P^n(\mathbf{C})$. This enables us to show that the group of all H -projective

transformations of ∇ is a Lie group of finite dimension (Theorem 2). Then we shall prove that a curve $c(t)$ is an H -planner curve with respect to ∇ if and only if the development of $c(t)$ into $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ by ω is an H -planner curve in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ (Theorem 3).

An H -planner curve $c(t)$ with respect to ∇ is called an H -geodesic of ∇ if $a=0$ and b is a constant in (0.1). An almost complex affine connection ∇ without torsion is said to be H -complete if any H -geodesic $c(t)$ of ∇ can be defined for all $t \in \mathbf{R}$. When ∇ is the Kaehler connection of a Kaehler metric ds^2 , H -completeness of ∇ is equivalent to completeness of ds^2 (Theorem 4). An almost complex affine connection without torsion is said to be of *Kaehler type* if its Ricci tensor is hermitian (i.e., symmetric and J -invariant). In this case we shall show that an H -planner curve $c(t)$ with $a=0$ in (0.1) is an H -geodesic if the development of $c(t)$ is an H -geodesic in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ (Theorem 5). Finally we shall prove

Theorem 6. *Let ∇ and ∇' be H -complete connections of Kaehler type with parallel Ricci tensors S and S' respectively. Suppose that either $S=0$ or S has at least one negative eigenvalue at one point, and that ∇ and ∇' are H -projectively equivalent. Then we have $\nabla=\nabla'$.*

When ∇ and ∇' are the Kaehler connections of complete Kaehler metrics and both S and S' are parallel and negative semi-definite, the above result has been obtained by S. Ishihara and S. Tachibana [1].

Finally we remark that the present paper has been motivated by the paper of N. Tanaka on real projective transformations [7].

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NOTATION

Throughout this paper the following standard conventions will be adopted. \mathbf{R} (resp. \mathbf{C}) denotes the real (resp. complex) number field. For $z \in \mathbf{C}$, $\text{Re}(z)$ is the real part of z . We write \mathbf{R}^m (resp. \mathbf{C}^m) for the m -dimensional standard real (resp. complex) vector space. An element of \mathbf{R}^m (resp. \mathbf{C}^m) is considered as a column vector. We denote by e_1, \dots, e_m the canonical basis of \mathbf{R}^m or \mathbf{C}^m . For $x \in \mathbf{R}^m$ or \mathbf{C}^m , ${}^t x$ denotes the transpose of x . The general linear group acting on \mathbf{R}^m (resp. \mathbf{C}^m) and its Lie algebra are denoted, respectively, by $GL(m, \mathbf{R})$ (resp. $GL(m, \mathbf{C})$) and $\text{gl}(m, \mathbf{R})$ (resp. $\text{gl}(m, \mathbf{C})$). We write 1_m for the identity $m \times m$ matrix. For an $m \times m$ matrix A , $\det A$ denotes the determinant of A .

For a point p of manifold N , $T_p(N)$ is the tangent space to N at p . For a differentiable mapping f , f_* and f^* are the differential and the codifferential of f respectively. For a Lie group G , its Lie algebra is written by the corresponding German letter \mathfrak{g} . For a G -principal bundle $Q \rightarrow M$, R_x denotes the right tran-

slation by an element a of G acting on Q . For an element A or \mathfrak{g} , A^* denotes the fundamental vector field on Q corresponding to A .

1. H-projective equivalence

Let M be an m -dimensional manifold. Let us denote by $j^r(f)$ the r -frame at $p=f(0)$ given by a diffeomorphism f of a neighborhood of the origin 0 of \mathbf{R}^m onto an open subset of M . The set $G^r(m)$ of r -frames at $0 \in \mathbf{R}^m$ is a Lie group with multiplication defined by the composition of jets. The set $F^r(M)$ of r -frames of M is a principal bundle over M with natural projection π^r satisfying $\pi^r(j^r(f))=f(0)$, and with structure group $G^r(m)$. $F^1(M)$ is nothing but the bundle of linear frames.

We have a natural inclusion of $GL(m, \mathbf{R})$ into $G^r(m)$, defined by $g \rightarrow j^r(g)$ for $g \in GL(m, \mathbf{R})$. In particular $GL(m, \mathbf{R})$ and $G^1(m)$ are isomorphic by this inclusion. We shall identify $GL(m, \mathbf{R})$ with $G^1(m)$ and consider $GL(m, \mathbf{R})$ as a subgroup of $G^r(m)$ by this inclusion.

Let f be a diffeomorphism of M onto a manifold N . Then f induces a bundle isomorphism $f^{(r)}: F^r(M) \rightarrow F^r(N)$ defined by

$$f^{(r)}(j^r(h)) = j^r(f \cdot h) \text{ for } j^r(h) \in F^r(M).$$

We have a natural projection $\nu: F^2(M) \rightarrow F^1(M)$ defined by $\nu(j^2(f))=j^1(f)$ ($j^2(f) \in F^2(M)$). A cross-section $s: F^1(M) \rightarrow F^2(M)$ is said to be *admissible* if we have

$$s(xa) = s(x)a \text{ for } x \in F^1(M) \text{ and } a \in GL(m, \mathbf{R}).$$

The \mathbf{R}^m (resp. $\mathfrak{gl}(m, \mathbf{R})$)-component of the canonical form Θ on $F^2(M)$ (see [2] for the meaning of terminology) is denoted by Θ_{-1} (resp. Θ_0).

Proposition 1 (S. Kobayashi [2]). *For an admissible crosssection $s: F^1(M) \rightarrow F^2(M)$, $s^*\Theta_0$ is an affine connection on M without torsion. And this defines a one-to-one correspondence between affine connections on M without torsion and admissible cross-sections.*

Let u^1, \dots, u^m be a local coordinate system in M , and let y^1, \dots, y^m be the natural coordinate system in \mathbf{R}^m . Each 2-frame u (resp. $a \in G^2(m)$) has a unique polynomial representation $\dot{u}=j^2(f)$ (resp. $a=j^2(f)$) of the form

$$f^i(y) = u^i + \sum u_j^i y^j + \frac{1}{2} \sum u_{jk}^i y^j y^k$$

$$(\text{resp. } f^i(y) = \sum a_j^i y^j + \frac{1}{2} \sum a_{jk}^i y^j y^k),$$

where $u_{jk}^i = u_{kj}^i$ (resp. $a_{jk}^i = a_{kj}^i$), and $f^i(y)$ is the i -th coordinate of $f(y)$ with respect

to u^1, \dots, u^m (resp. y^1, \dots, y^m). We shall consider (u^i, u_j^i, u_{jk}^i) (resp. (a_j^i, a_{jk}^i)) as a local coordinate system in $F^2(M)$ (resp. a coordinate system in $G^2(m)$). In the same way, a local coordinate system (u^i, u_j^i) in $F^1(M)$ and a coordinate system (a_j^i) in $G^1(m)$ are defined. The action of $G^2(m)$ on $F^2(M)$ is then given by

$$(1.1) \quad (u^i, u_j^i, u_{jk}^i)(a_j^i, a_{jk}^i) = (u^i, \sum u_q^i a_j^q, \sum u_q^i a_{jk}^q + \sum u_l^i a_j^l a_k^i).$$

Let s be the cross-section corresponding by Proposition 1 to an affine connection ∇ without torsion. Then the local expression of s is

$$(1.2) \quad s(u^i, u_j^i) = (u^i, u_j^i, -\sum u_j^q \Gamma_{qi}^i u_k^i),$$

where Γ_{qi}^i are the Christoffel's symbols of ∇ with respect to u^1, \dots, u^m ([2]).

Let L and L_0 be as in (0.3). We shall consider $L_0/(\text{center})$ as a subgroup of $G^2(n)$ as follows. Let $\pi: C^{n+1} - \{0\} \rightarrow P^n(C)$ be the Hopf fibering. Identifying the subset

$$\left\{ \pi \left(\begin{matrix} 1 \\ z \end{matrix} \right) \in P^n(C) \mid z \in C^n \right\}$$

of $P^n(C)$ with $C^n = R^{2n}$, $a \in L_0$ can be considered as a local diffeomorphism of R^{2n} leaving the origin 0 of R^{2n} fixed. Here C^n is identified with R^{2n} by the correspondence $(z^1, \dots, z^n) \in C^n \rightarrow (x^1, \dots, x^n, y^1, \dots, y^n) \in R^{2n}$, $z^i = x^i + \sqrt{-1}y^i$, $x^i, y^i \in R$, $i=1, \dots, n$. It can be easily verified that $j^2(a) = \text{id}$ if and only if a is the identity transformation of L/L_0 . Hence $L_0/(\text{center})$ can be identified with the group of 2-jets $\{j^2(a) \mid a \in L_0\}$. By a straightforward computation we have

Lemma 1.1. *The expression of*

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t_v \\ 0 & 1_n \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\text{center}} \in L_0/(\text{center})$$

as an element of $G^2(n)$ is given by (δ_j^i, a_{jk}^i) with

$$(1.3) \quad a_{jk}^i = \delta_j^i \rho_k + \delta_k^i \rho_j - \phi_j^i \rho_s \phi_k^s - \phi_k^i \rho_s \phi_j^s,$$

where

$$\rho_k = \begin{cases} -v^k & \text{if } 1 \leq k \leq n \\ v^k & \text{if } n+1 \leq k \leq 2n, \end{cases} \quad (\phi_j^i) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1_n \\ 1_n & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

v^k being k -th component of $v \in C^n = R^{2n}$.

Let us denote the Lie algebras of L and L_0 by \mathfrak{I} and \mathfrak{I}_0 respectively. Subalgebras \mathfrak{g}_{-1} , \mathfrak{g}_0 and \mathfrak{g}_1 of \mathfrak{I} are defined, respectively, as follows:

$$\mathfrak{g}_{-1} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ u & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{I} \mid u \in C^n \right\}$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_0 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & A \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{l} \mid A \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C}) \right\}$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_1 = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & v \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{l} \mid v \in \mathbb{C}^n \right\}.$$

In the following, \mathfrak{g}_{-1} and \mathfrak{g}_1 are identified, respectively, with \mathbb{C}^n and its dual space $(\mathbb{C}^n)^*$. And \mathfrak{g}_0 is identified with $\mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C})$ by the correspondence

$$\begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & A \end{pmatrix} \in \mathfrak{g}_0 \rightarrow A - z1_n \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbb{C}).$$

Therefore we can consider $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$ as a subgroup of $L_0/(\text{center})$ by the injection

$$B \in GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} (\det B)^{-1/n+1} & 0 \\ 0 & (\det B)^{-1/n+1}B \end{pmatrix} \pmod{\text{center}} \in L_0/(\text{center})$$

Put $L_1 = \exp \mathfrak{g}_1$. Then

$$(1.4) \quad L_0/(\text{center}) = GL(n, \mathbb{C}) \cdot L_1 \quad (\text{semi-direct}).$$

For the remainder of this section we suppose that M is a complex manifold of complex dimension n . Let ∇ be an almost complex affine connection without torsion on M and let γ be its connection form on the bundle $C(M)$ of complex linear frames. By Proposition 1 there exists an admissible cross-section $l: F^1(M) \rightarrow F^2(M)$ corresponding to ∇ . Let ι denote the inclusion map $C(M)$ into $F^1(M)$. Then $s = l \cdot \iota$ is an imbedding of $C(M)$ into $F^2(M)$ such that $s^* \Theta_0 = \gamma$ and $s(xa) = s(x)a$ for $x \in C(M)$ and $a \in GL(n, \mathbb{C})$. Thus $C(M)$ can be considered as a $GL(n, \mathbb{C})$ -subbundle of $F^2(M)$. The group extension of $C(M)$ to $L_0/(\text{center})$ with respect to (1.4) will be denoted by $Q(\nabla)$.

Theorem 1. *Let ∇_1 and ∇_2 be two almost complex affine connections without torsion. Then ∇_1 and ∇_2 are H-projectively equivalent if and only if $Q(\nabla_1) = Q(\nabla_2)$.*

Proof. Let $z^A = x^A + \sqrt{-1} x^{A+n}$, $A = 1, \dots, n$, be a complex local coordinate system in an open subset U of M . We define the natural almost complex structure J on M by

$$J(\partial/\partial x^A) = \partial/\partial x^{A+n}, J(\partial/\partial x^{A+n}) = -\partial/\partial x^A, A = 1, \dots, n.$$

It follows from (1.2) that the injections

$$s_1: C(M) \rightarrow Q(\nabla_1) \quad \text{and} \quad s_2: C(M) \rightarrow Q(\nabla_2)$$

corresponding respectively to ∇_1 and ∇_2 are expressed as follows:

$$s_1(x^i, x^j) = (x^i, x^j, -\sum_{m,l=1}^{2n} x_j^m (\Gamma_1)^i_{ml} x_k^l),$$

$$s_2(x^i, x_j^i) = (x^i, x_j^i, -\sum_{m,l=1}^{2n} x_j^m (\Gamma_2)_{ml}^i x_k^l),$$

where $(\Gamma_1)_{ml}^i$ and $(\Gamma_2)_{ml}^i$ are respectively the Christoffel's symbols of ∇_1 and ∇_2 with respect to $x^1, \dots, x^n, x^{n+1}, \dots, x^{2n}$. Note that $(x^i, \delta_j^i) \in C(M)$.

Assume that $Q(\nabla_1) = Q(\nabla_2)$. Then there exists a C^∞ -map $a: U \rightarrow L_0$ such that

$$(1.5) \quad s_1(x^i, \delta_j^i) = s_2(x^i, \delta_j^i)a, \quad a = (a_j^i, a_{jk}^i)$$

By the above formulas for local expression of s_1 and s_2 , we see that $a_j^i = \delta_j^i$. This means $a(U) \subset L_1$.

By (1.1) we have

$$-(\Gamma_2)_{jk}^i + a_{jk}^i = -(\Gamma_1)_{jk}^i.$$

It follows from Lemma 1.1 that there exist real functions ρ_1, \dots, ρ_{2n} such that

$$(\Gamma_2)_{jk}^i - (\Gamma_1)_{jk}^i = \delta_j^i \rho_k + \delta_k^i \rho_j - \sum_s \phi_j^s \rho_s \phi_k^i - \sum_s \phi_k^s \rho_s \phi_j^i.$$

Let J_j^i be the local expression of J with respect to x^1, \dots, x^{2n} , then $J_j^i = \phi_j^i$. Thus we obtain

$$(1.6) \quad (\Gamma_2)_{jk}^i - (\Gamma_1)_{jk}^i = \delta_j^i \rho_k + \delta_k^i \rho_j - \sum_s J_j^s \rho_s J_k^i - \sum_s J_k^s \rho_s J_j^i.$$

This shows that (ρ_i) is a 1-form. Thus ∇_1 and ∇_2 are H -projectively equivalent (cf. the definition in Introduction).

Conversely assume that ∇_1 and ∇_2 are H -projectively equivalent, *i.e.*, ∇_1 and ∇_2 are related by the formula (1.6). Define $a = (\delta_j^i, a_{jk}^i) \in L_1$ by (1.3). Then (1.5) holds. Thus we see $Q(\nabla_1) = Q(\nabla_2)$. q.e.d.

Let ∇ be an almost complex affine connection without torsion and let $s: C(M) \rightarrow Q(\nabla)$ be the cross-section corresponding to ∇ . For a biholomorphic transformation $f: M \rightarrow M$, define an admissible cross-section $s': C(M) \rightarrow F^2(M)$ by $s' = (f^{(2)})^{-1} \cdot s \cdot f^{(1)}$. Since $f^{(2)}$ leaves Θ invariant, s' is the admissible cross-section corresponding to $\nabla' = f^* \nabla$. Thus we have $f^{(2)}(Q(\nabla')) = Q(\nabla)$. Therefore $Q(\nabla) = Q(\nabla')$ if and only if $f^{(2)}(Q(\nabla)) = Q(\nabla)$. Applying Corollary 11-1 in [4] to our case, we obtain

Theorem 2. *Let ∇ be an almost complex affine connection without torsion. Then the group of all H -projective transformations of ∇ is a Lie group of finite dimension.*

2. The development of an H -planner curve with respect to a Cartan connection of type $P^n(C)$

Let M be a manifold of dimension n , G a Lie group, K a closed subgroup

of G with $\dim G/K=n$ and Q a principal bundle over M with structure group K . A G/K -Cartan connection in the bundle Q is a 1-form ω on Q with values in the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G satisfying the following conditions:

- i) $R_h^*\omega = Ad(h^{-1})\omega, \quad h \in K$
- ii) $\omega(A^*) = A, \quad A \in \mathfrak{k}$
- iii) $\omega(X) \neq 0$ for every nonzero vector X of Q .

A G/K -Cartan connection is said to be a $P^n(C)$ -Cartan connection when $G=L/(\text{center})$ and $K=L_0/(\text{center})$, L and L_0 being as in (0.3).

Let P be the group extension of Q to G , i.e., $P=Q \times_K G$. Then a Cartan connection ω in Q can be uniquely extended to a connection form on P , denoted by $\tilde{\omega}$. Let $c(t)$ be a curve in M and let $z(t) \in P$ be a horizontal lift of $c(t)$ with respect to $\tilde{\omega}$ such that $z(0) \in Q$. Then there exists a curve $a(t) \in G$ such that $z(t)a(t) \in Q$. The development $c^*(t)$ of $c(t)$ at $c(0)$ by ω is defined by

$$c^*(t) = z(0) \cdot a(t)0 \in Q \times_K G/K,$$

where 0 denotes the origin of G/K ([3]). We shall often identify $c^*(t)$ with the curve $a(t)0 \in G/K$.

We shall consider the case when $G=L/(\text{center})$ and $K=L_0/(\text{center})$, L and L_0 being as in (0.3). We call a curve $c(t)$ in $P^n(C)$ a *projective line* if there exists a 2-dimensional complex subspace W of C^{n+1} such that $c(t) \in \pi(W - (0))$. Let M be an n -dimensional complex manifold with an almost complex affine connection ∇ without torsion. Let us denote by θ the canonical form on $C(M)$ and by γ the connection form on $C(M)$ corresponding to ∇ . We see in Section 1 that ∇ gives rise to a K -structure $Q(\nabla)$ of second order, i.e., K -subbundle of $F^2(M)$, and the injection $s: C(M) \rightarrow Q(\nabla)$. We know that there exists a Cartan connection ω on $Q(\nabla)$ satisfying

$$(2.1) \quad s^*\omega_{-1} = \theta \text{ and } s^*\omega_0 = \gamma,$$

where ω_{-1} and ω_0 are respectively \mathfrak{g}_{-1} -component and \mathfrak{g}_0 -component of ω .

We shall prove

Proposition 2.1. *Let ∇ be an almost complex affine connection on a complex manifold M and let ω be any Cartan connection on $Q(\nabla)$ satisfying (2.1). Then, a curve in M is H -planner if and only if its development with respect to ω is a projective line.*

This follows directly from following Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3.

Lemma 2.1. *Let $c(t)$ be a curve in M and let $x(t)$ be a horizontal lift of $c(t)$ in $C(M)$. Define $v(t) \in C^n$ by*

$$(2.2) \quad c'(t) = x(t)v(t)$$

Then

$$(2.3) \quad \nabla_{c'} c' = ac' + bJc'$$

for certain smooth functions a and b if and only if

$$(2.4) \quad v(t) = \exp\left(\int_0^t (a(t) + \sqrt{-1} b(t)) dt\right) v(0).$$

Proof. From the definition of covariant derivative, we obtain

$$\nabla_{c'(t)} c'(t) = x(t)v'(t).$$

By (2.2),

$$a(t)c'(t) + b(t)Jc'(t) = x(t)(a(t) + \sqrt{-1} b(t))v(t).$$

Therefore (2.3) holds if and only if

$$(2.5) \quad v'(t) = (a(t) + \sqrt{-1} b(t))v(t).$$

We have (2.4) if and only if (2.5) holds.

q.e.d.

Let $c(t)$ be a regular curve in M and let $x(t)$ (resp. $z(t)$ with $z(0) = s(x(0))$) be a horizontal lift of $c(t)$ in $C(M)$ (resp. P) with respect to ∇ (resp. $\tilde{\omega}$). Choose a curve $a(t) \in L$ satisfying

$$(2.6) \quad z(t)[a(t)] = s(x(t)), \quad a(0) = 1_{n+1},$$

where $[a(t)]$ denotes the image of $a(t)$ by the natural projection $L \rightarrow L/(\text{center})$. We may assume that $a(t)$ is smooth since the center of L is discrete. We shall denote the $(A+1)$ -th column vector of $a(t)$ by $a_A(t)$ ($0 \leq A \leq n$).

Lemma 2.2. $a_0(t)$, $a_0'(t)$ and $a_0''(t)$ are linearly dependent for each t if and only if $c(t)$ is H -planner.

Proof. Differentiating both sides of (2.6), we obtain

$$R_{[a(t)]*} z'(t) + (a(t)^{-1} a'(t))^*_{z(t)[a(t)]} = s_*(x'(t)).$$

Hence we have

$$(2.7) \quad a(t)^{-1} a'(t) = \tilde{\omega}(s_*(x'(t))).$$

Let $\tilde{\omega}_B^A$ ($0 \leq A, B \leq n$) denote the $(A+1, B+1)$ -component of $\tilde{\omega}(s_*(x'(t)))$. From (2.7) we obtain

$$a_{B'} = \sum_{A=0}^n a_A \tilde{\omega}_B^A \quad 0 \leq B \leq n.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} a_0'' &= \sum_{A=0}^n a_A \frac{d\tilde{\omega}_0^A}{dt} + \sum_{B=0}^n a_B' \tilde{\omega}_0^B \\ &= \sum_{A=0}^n a_A \left(\frac{d\tilde{\omega}_0^A}{dt} + \sum_{B=0}^n \tilde{\omega}_B^A \tilde{\omega}_0^B \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $x(t)$ is horizontal with respect to ∇ , we have

$$\tilde{\omega}_0^0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\omega}_k^j = 0 \quad 1 \leq j, k \leq n.$$

Thus we obtain

$$(2.8) \quad a_0' = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \tilde{\omega}_0^k,$$

$$(2.9) \quad a_0'' = \sum_{k=1}^n a_0 \tilde{\omega}_k^0 \tilde{\omega}_0^k + \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \frac{d\tilde{\omega}_0^k}{dt}.$$

Now suppose that $a_0(t)$, $a_0'(t)$ and $a_0''(t)$ are linearly dependent for each t . Then there exist functions $f(t)$, $g(t)$ and $h(t)$ such that

$$(2.10) \quad fa_0 + ga_0' + ha_0'' = 0$$

and $|f| + |g| + |h| \neq 0.$

Substituting (2.8) and (2.9) in (2.10), we have

$$(f(t) + h(t) \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\omega}_k^0 \tilde{\omega}_0^k) a_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n \left(g(t) \tilde{\omega}_0^j + h(t) \frac{d\tilde{\omega}_0^j}{dt} \right) a_j = 0.$$

Since $a_0(t), a_1(t), \dots, a_n(t)$ are linearly independent, this is equivalent to the following:

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) + h(t) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\omega}_k^0 \tilde{\omega}_0^k = 0, \\ g(t) \tilde{\omega}_0^j + h(t) \frac{d\tilde{\omega}_0^j}{dt} &= 0 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Since $c'(t) \neq 0$, we have $\tilde{\omega}_0^j \neq 0$ for a certain integer j ($1 \leq j \leq n$). Hence $h(t) \neq 0$ for each t . Putting

$$F(t) = -g(t)/h(t),$$

we obtain

$$F(t)\theta(x'(t)) = d\theta(x'(t))/dt,$$

which shows that F is a differentiable function. Hence

$$(2.11) \quad \theta(x'(t)) = \exp \left(\int_0^t F(t) dt \right) v_0, \quad v_0 \in \mathbf{C}^n$$

i.e.,

$$c'(t) = x(t) \exp \left(\int_0^t F(t) dt \right) v_0.$$

Therefore it follows from Lemma 2.1 that $c(t)$ is H -planner. Taking the steps backwards, it is now easy to prove the converse.

Lemma 2.3. $a_0(t)$, $a_0'(t)$ and $a_0''(t)$ are linearly dependent for each t if and only if there exists a 2-dimensional complex subspace W of \mathbf{C}^{n+1} in which $a_0(t)$ is contained for every t .

Proof. First note that a_0 and a_0' are linearly independent for each t . This follows from formula (2.8), because $\tilde{\omega}_0^k \neq 0$ for a certain integer $k(1 \leq k \leq n)$ and $a_0(t)$, $a_1(t), \dots, a_n(t)$ are linearly independent for each t . Let b_A ($0 \leq A \leq n$) be the $(A+1)$ -th component of a_0 and define an $(n+1) \times 3$ matrix B by

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} b_0 & b_0' & b_0'' \\ b_1 & b_1' & b_1'' \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ b_n & b_n' & b_n'' \end{pmatrix}.$$

We may assume that in an open interval U containing $t=t_0$

$$(2.12) \quad \det \begin{pmatrix} b_0 & b_0' \\ b_1 & b_1' \end{pmatrix} \neq 0.$$

Now suppose that a_0 , a_0' and a_0'' are linearly dependent. Since $\text{rank } B=2$, b_j ($j=2, 3, \dots, n$) are solutions of the following ordinary linear differential equation of second order:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} b_0 & b_0' & b_0'' \\ b_1 & b_1' & b_1'' \\ x & x' & x'' \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

It follows that there exist constants α_j, β_j ($j=2, \dots, n$) such that

$$b_j = \alpha_j b_0 + \beta_j b_1.$$

Thus we obtain

$$a_0 = b_0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} + b_1 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

This shows that $a_0(t)$ ($t \in U$) is contained in the 2-dimensional complex subspace W of \mathbf{C}^{n+1} spanned by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

We shall see that such a 2-dimensional subspace is independent of the choice of t_0 . In fact, suppose that there exists a 1-dimensional subspace V of \mathbf{C}^{n+1} such that $a_0(t) \in V$ for every t in a certain open interval V contained in U . This contradicts (2.12). The proof for the converse is trivial. q.e.d.

EXAMPLE 2.1. $S = SU(n+1, \mathbf{C}) / (\text{center})$ acts transitively on $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ in a natural manner. Let H be the isotropy subgroup of S at

$$0 = \pi \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in P^n(\mathbf{C}).$$

Since each $f \in S$ is a transformation of $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ and a neighborhood of 0 in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ is identified with a neighborhood of 0 in \mathbf{R}^{2n} in a natural way, the 1-jet $j_0^1(f)$ can be considered as a 1-frame of $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ at $f(0)$. The set of all 1-frames thus obtained defines an H -subbundle of the bundle $C(P^n(\mathbf{C}))$ of complex linear frames, which may be identified with the bundle S over $P^n(\mathbf{C})$. L and L_0 being as in (0.3), let G and K denote $L/(\text{center})$ and $L_0/(\text{center})$ respectively. Then the set of all 2-frames $\{j_0^2(f) \mid f \in G\}$ defines a K -subbundle of $F^2(P^n(\mathbf{C}))$, and this can be identified with the bundle G over $P^n(\mathbf{C})$. The Maurer-Cartan form ω of G is a G/K -Cartan connection in G . Define an injection $s: C(P^n(\mathbf{C})) \rightarrow F^2(P^n(\mathbf{C}))$ by $s(xa) = \iota(x)a$ for $x \in S$ and $a \in GL(n, \mathbf{C})$, ι being the inclusion map of S into G . Then the bundle G is the group extension of $C(P^n(\mathbf{C}))$ by s to the group K . The 1-form $s^*\omega|_{\mathfrak{g}_0}$ on $C(P^n(\mathbf{C}))$, restriction of values of $s^*\omega$ to the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g}_0 of $GL(n, \mathbf{C})$, corresponds to the Kaehler connection ∇ on the symmetric space $P^n(\mathbf{C}) = S/H$. Thus ω is a Cartan connection corresponding to ∇ and, in fact, ω is the normal Cartan connection (see section 4 for the meaning of terminology) [4]. ω can be uniquely extended to a connection form $\tilde{\omega}$ on the bundle $G \times_K G$ over $P^n(\mathbf{C})$. A horizontal lift of a curve $c(t) = a(t)0 \in P^n(\mathbf{C})$ ($a(t) \in G$) with respect to $\tilde{\omega}$ is $z(t) = a(t) \cdot a(t)^{-1}a(0) \in G \times_K G$. In fact, noting that $R_{a(0)^{-1}a(t)}z(t)$ belongs to the subbundle G , we have by the definition of $\tilde{\omega}$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z'(t)) &= \tilde{\omega}(R_{a(t)^{-1}a(0)} * R_{a(0)^{-1}a(t)} * (z'(t))) \\ &= Ad(a(0)^{-1}a(t)) \tilde{\omega}(R_{a(0)^{-1}a(t)} * z'(t)) \\ &= Ad(a(0)^{-1}a(t)) (\omega(a'(t)) + Ad(a(t)^{-1}a(0)) (a(0)^{-1}a(t) (a(t)^{-1}a(0))')) \\ &= Ad(a(0)^{-1}a(t)) (a(t)^{-1}a'(t) + (a(t)^{-1})'a(t)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here we may assume $a(t)$ is locally differentiable, since $z(t)$ is independent of

the choice of $a(t) \in G$. Thus $c^*(t) = a(0)^{-1}a(t)0 \in P^n(\mathbf{C})$ is the development of $c(t)$ with respect to ω .

Applying Proposition 2.1 to the case when $M = P^n(\mathbf{C})$, we obtain

Corollary 2.1. *A curve in $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ is H -planner if and only if it is a projective line.*

By Proposition 2.1 and Corollary 2.1 we have

Theorem 3. *The assumptions and notation being as in Proposition 2.1, a curve in M is H -planner if and only if its development with respect to ω is H -planner.*

3. H -completeness

We have defined an H -geodesic and H -completeness in Introduction. In this section we shall prove the following:

Theorem 4. *Let M be a connected Kaehler manifold with a Kaehler metric g and let ∇ be the Kaehler connection of g . Then H -completeness of ∇ is equivalent to completeness of g .*

Proof. Completeness of g follows from H -completeness of ∇ since a geodesic of g is clearly an H -geodesic of ∇ . Assume that g is complete. Let $c(t)$ $0 \leq t < L$ be an H -geodesic, i.e.,

$$(3.1) \quad \nabla_c c' = bJc' \quad b: \text{constant.}$$

We shall show that this H -geodesic can be extended beyond L . Let $x(t)$ be a horizontal lift of $c(t)$ in the unitary frame bundle with respect to g . We can choose such a horizontal lift because ∇ is the Kaehler connection of g . Then $c'(t) = x(t)v(t)$, where $v(t) = \exp(\sqrt{-1}bt)v(0)$ by Lemma 2.1. Let $\{t_k\}$ be an infinite sequence such that $t_k \rightarrow L$ ($k \rightarrow \infty$). Then

$$\begin{aligned} d(c(t_k), c(t_l)) &\leq \left| \int_{t_k}^{t_l} g(c'(t), c'(t)) dt \right| \\ &= |t_k - t_l| |v(0)|, \end{aligned}$$

where d denotes the distance function defined by g and $|v(0)|$ denotes the usual norm of $v(0)$ in \mathbf{C}^n . This shows that $\{c(t_k)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in M with respect to d and hence converges to a point, say p . The limit point is independent of the choice of a sequence $\{t_k\}$ converging to L . Let x^1, x^2, \dots, x^{2n} be a local coordinate system in a relatively compact coordinate neighborhood U of p . The local expression of (3.1) in U is

$$(3.2) \quad \frac{d^2 x^i}{dt^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{dx^j}{dt} \frac{dx^k}{dt} = bJ_j^i \frac{dx^j}{dt}.$$

The exists a positive number δ such that $\{c(s) \mid L-\delta \leq s < L\} \subset U$. Since the length of c' is constant, $\{dx^j/dt(s) \mid L-\delta < s < L\}$ are bounded. It follows from (3.2) that $\{|d^2x^j/dt^2(s)| \mid L-\delta < s < L\}$ are also bounded, and less than a constant N . Let $\{s_k\}$ be an infinite sequence such that $s_k \rightarrow L$ ($k \rightarrow \infty$). Then

$$\left| \frac{dx^j}{dt}(s_m) - \frac{dx^j}{dt}(s_l) \right| = \left| \int_{s_l}^{s_m} \frac{d^2x^j}{dt^2} dt \right| \leq N |s_m - s_l| .$$

This shows that $\{dx^j/dt(s_k)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in \mathbf{R} , hence converges to a real number. The limit is independent of the choice of a sequence $\{s_k\}$ converging to L . Since $c(t)$ and dx^j/dt converge when $t \rightarrow L$, the solution of (3.2) can be extended beyond L . This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

4. A connection of Kaehler type

In this section we shall prove a certain property of a connection of Kaehler type defined in Introduction. The result will be used to prove Theorem 5 and Theorem 6 in the following sections.

Let ∇ be an almost complex affine connection without torsion on a complex manifold M of complex dimension n . And let Q and $s: C(M) \rightarrow Q$ be the corresponding L_0 /(center)-structure and the injection. We know that there exists a $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ -Cartan connection ω satisfying (2.1) for any almost complex affine connection without torsion which is H -projectively equivalent to ∇ ([4]). Define a subspace H_q of the tangent space $T_q(Q)$ at $q \in Q$ by

$$H_q = \{X \in T_q(Q) \mid \omega_0(X) = 0, \omega_1(X) = 0\} .$$

Then $\omega_{-1}: H_q \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$ is a linear isomorphism. Put

$$\Omega = d\omega + [\omega, \omega]/2 .$$

Decompose Ω into $\Omega = \Omega_{-1} \oplus \Omega_0 \oplus \Omega_1$, Ω_{-1} , Ω_0 and Ω_1 being \mathfrak{g}_{-1} -, \mathfrak{g}_0 - and \mathfrak{g}_1 -components of Ω respectively. Let $\{v_i\}_{i=1,2,\dots,2n}$ be a real basis of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} and let $\{z^i\}$ be its dual basis in \mathfrak{g}_1 with respect to the Killing-Cartan form B of \mathfrak{g} which is non-singular on $\mathfrak{g}_{-1} \times \mathfrak{g}_1$. Choose $X_i \in H_q$ such that $\omega_{-1}(X_i) = v_i$. We shall call ω a $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ -normal Cartan connection if Ω_0 satisfies

$$\sum z^i \Omega_0(X_i, Y) = 0 \quad \text{at each point } q \in Q .$$

If $n \geq 2$, there exists uniquely a $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ -normal Cartan connection ([4]).

For the $P^n(\mathbf{C})$ -normal Cartan connection, define $E_x: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$ ($x \in C(M)$) by

$$(4.1) \quad E_x(\theta(Y)) = s^* \omega_1(Y) \quad Y \in T_x(C(M)) .$$

E_x is well-defined. In fact, if $\theta_x(Y) = 0$, there exists $A \in \mathfrak{gl}(n, \mathbf{C})$ such that $Y = (A^*)_x$. Hence

$$(s^* \omega_1)(Y) = \omega_1(s_*(A^*)_x) = \omega_1((A^*)_{s(x)}) = 0.$$

Let us denote by $C^{p,q}$ ($-1 \leq p \leq 3$) the set of all \mathfrak{g}_{p-1} -valued q -skew-symmetric multilinear form on \mathfrak{g}_{-1} , where $\mathfrak{g}_{-2} = \{0\}$ and $\mathfrak{g}_2 = \{0\}$. Define $d: C^{p,q} \rightarrow C^{p-1,q+1}$ by

$$dc(y_1, \dots, y_{q+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{q+1} (-1)^{i+1} [y^i, C(y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_{q+1})],$$

$y_1, \dots, y_{q+1} \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$. And define $d^*: C^{p,q} \rightarrow C^{p+1,q-1}$ by

$$(d^*c)(y_1, \dots, y_{q-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{2n} [z^i, c(v_i, y_1, \dots, y_{q-1})],$$

$y_1, \dots, y_{q-1} \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$, where $\{v_i\}$ denotes a basis of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} and $\{z^i\}$ denotes the dual basis of $\{v_i\}$ in \mathfrak{g}_1 with respect to the Killing-Cartan form B of \mathfrak{g} .

We shall denote by S the Ricci tensor field of ∇ . Define $S_x: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \times \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and $T_x: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$ for $x \in C(M)$ by

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} S_x(u, v) &= S(xu, xv) \text{ and} \\ B(T_x(u), v) &= S_x(u, v) \end{aligned}$$

respectively. Then

$$(4.3) \quad T_x = -d^*dE_x([4]).$$

For $z \in \mathfrak{g}_1$ and $v \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$ we shall denote by $\langle z, v \rangle$ the real part of zv .

Lemma 4.1. *Let ∇ be a connection of Kaehler type on an n -dimensional complex manifold ($n \geq 2$). Then*

$$\langle E_x(u), v \rangle = -S(xu, xv)/2(n+1)$$

or equivalently

$$E_x(u)v = -\{S(xu, xv) - \sqrt{-1} S(xu, Jxv)\}/2(n+1).$$

In particular, $E_x(v)v$ is real valued.

Proof. We write E for E_x for simplicity. From the definition of the Killing-Cartan form of \mathfrak{g} , we obtain

$$(4.4) \quad B(X, Y)/4(n+1) = \text{Re (the trace of } XY),$$

for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$. Hence we consider \mathfrak{g} as a real Lie algebra. Since $\{t e_i/4(n+1), -\sqrt{-1} t e_i/4(n+1)\}_{i=1,2,\dots,n}$ is the dual basis of \mathfrak{g}_1 corresponding to a real basis $\{e_i, \sqrt{-1} e_i\}_{i=1,\dots,n}$ of \mathfrak{g}_{-1} with respect to B , we have

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} d^*dE(v) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{4(n+1)} [t e_i, dE(e_i, v)] + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{4(n+1)} [-\sqrt{-1} t e_i, dE(\sqrt{-1} e_i, v)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{4(n+1)} \{ [{}^t e_i, [e_i, E(v)] - [v, E(e_i)]] + [-\sqrt{-1} {}^t e_i, [\sqrt{-1} e_i, E(v)] - [v, E(\sqrt{-1} e_i)]] \} .$$

On the other hand, for $v \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$, $z \in \mathfrak{g}_1$ and $A \in \mathfrak{g}_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} [v, z] &= vz + (zv)1_n, \\ [z, A] &= zA . \end{aligned}$$

Applying these formulas to (4.5), we obtain

$$(4.6) \quad d^*dE(v) = \frac{1}{4(n+1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \{ 2E(v) + 2{}^t e_i E(v) e_i - ({}^t e_i v E(e_i) + {}^t e_i E(e_i) v) + (\sqrt{-1} {}^t e_i v E(\sqrt{-1} e_i) + \sqrt{-1} {}^t e_i E(\sqrt{-1} e_i) v) \} .$$

By virtue of (4.2), (4.3), (4.4) and (4.6),

$$(4.7) \quad -S_x(u, v) = 2(n+1)\langle E(u), v \rangle - \sum_{i=1}^n \langle {}^t e_i u E(e_i) + {}^t e_i E(e_i) u, v \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^n \langle \sqrt{-1} {}^t e_i u E(\sqrt{-1} e_i) + \sqrt{-1} {}^t e_i E(\sqrt{-1} e_i) u, v \rangle .$$

Since S_x is symmetric, we have by (4.7)

$$(4.8) \quad \langle E(u), v \rangle = \langle E(v), u \rangle \text{ for any } u, v \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1} .$$

Put $u=e_j$ and $v=e_k$ in (4.7). Then we obtain

$$-S_x(e_j, e_k) = (2n+1)\langle E(e_j), e_k \rangle - \langle E(e_k), e_j \rangle + \langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle + \langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_k), e_j \rangle .$$

Thus, by (4.8)

$$(4.9) \quad -S_x(e_j, e_k) = 2n\langle E(e_j), e_k \rangle + 2\langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle .$$

Analogously, we have

$$(4.10) \quad -S_x(\sqrt{-1} e_j, \sqrt{-1} e_k) = 2n\langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle + 2\langle E(e_j), e_k \rangle ,$$

$$(4.11) \quad -S_x(e_j, \sqrt{-1} e_k) = 2n\langle E(e_j), \sqrt{-1} e_k \rangle - 2\langle E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle ,$$

$$(4.12) \quad -S_x(\sqrt{-1} e_j, e_k) = 2n\langle E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle - 2\langle E(e_j), \sqrt{-1} e_k \rangle .$$

Since $S(e_j, e_k) = S(\sqrt{-1} e_j, \sqrt{-1} e_k)$, (4.9) and (4.10) give

$$2(n-1)\langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle = 2(n-1)\langle E(e_j), e_k \rangle .$$

Since $n \geq 2$ by assumption, we have

$$(4.13) \quad \langle E(e_j), e_k \rangle = \langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), e_k \rangle .$$

In a similar fashion, (4.11) and (4.12) give

$$(4.14) \quad \langle E(e_j), \sqrt{-1} e_k \rangle = \langle \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j), \sqrt{-1} e_k \rangle.$$

By virtue of (4.13) and (4.14),

$$E(e_j) = \sqrt{-1} E(\sqrt{-1} e_j).$$

Applying this to (4.7), we obtain

$$-S_x(u, v) = 2(n+1)\langle E(u), v \rangle.$$

The second formula in Lemma 4.1 is now easy to show, because the imaginary part of $E(u)v$ is $-\langle E(u), \sqrt{-1} v \rangle$. This completes the proof of Lemma 4.1.

5. The development of an H -geodesic with respect to the $P^n(\mathbb{C})$ -normal Cartan connection

Let ∇ be a connection of Kaehler type on a complex manifold M . Let us denote by $\{\nabla\}$ the family of almost complex affine connections without torsion which are H -projectively equivalent to ∇ . We see in Section 4 that $\{\nabla\}$ determines uniquely a $P^n(\mathbb{C})$ -normal Cartan connection. We shall prove

Proposition 5.1. *Assume that the development of a curve $c(t)$ with respect to the normal Cartan connection is contained in $\pi(W - \{0\})$ for a 2-dimensional real subspace W of \mathbb{C}^{n+1} . Then, under a certain change of parameter, $c(t)$ is an H -geodesic.*

Proof. By Theorem 3 $c(t)$ is an H -planner curve. Hence $c(t)$ satisfies $\nabla_c c' = ac' + bJc'$ for certain real functions a and b . Define a curve \tilde{c} by

$$(5.0) \quad \tilde{c}(T) = c(t), \quad T = \int_0^t \exp\left(\int_0^t a(t)dt\right)dt.$$

Then we have

$$\nabla_{\tilde{c}'} \tilde{c}' = \tilde{b}J\tilde{c}', \quad \tilde{b}: \text{a real function.}$$

Since $\tilde{c}(t)$ satisfies the assumption of Proposition 5.1, we may assume $\nabla_{\tilde{c}'} \tilde{c}' = \tilde{b}J\tilde{c}'$. Let $x(t)$ be a horizontal lift in $C(M)$. Then by Lemma 2.1,

$$c'(t) = x(t) \left(\exp \sqrt{-1} \int_0^t bdt \right) v,$$

v being a certain vector in \mathbb{C}^n . This is equivalent to

$$d\theta(x'(t))/dt = \sqrt{-1} b\theta(x'(t)).$$

Here θ denotes the canonical form on $C(M)$. The notation being as in Lemma 2.2, put

$$f(t) = - \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{\omega}_k^0 \tilde{\omega}_0^k .$$

By the definition of $E_{x(t)}: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$ given in (4.1), we see

$$(5.1) \quad f(t) = -E_{x(t)}(\theta(x'(t)))\theta(x'(t)) .$$

It follows from Lemma 4.1 that $f(t)$ is a real-valued function. Let $a(t)$ be as in (2.6). Then by (2.8) and (2.9) in Lemma 2.2, we have

$$(5.2) \quad a_0'' - \sqrt{-1} ba_0' + fa_0 = 0 .$$

Let c_1 and c_2 be the solutions of

$$(5.3) \quad c'' - \sqrt{-1} bc' + fc = 0$$

with initial values, respectively,

$$\begin{cases} c_1(0) = 1 & c_2(0) = 0 \\ c_1'(0) = 0 & c_2'(0) = 1 . \end{cases}$$

Then

$$a_0 = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 v \end{pmatrix} .$$

Let W be a 2-dimensional real subspace of \mathbf{C}^{n+1} such that

$$\pi \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 v \end{pmatrix} \in \pi(W - \{0\}) .$$

Since $c_1(0)=1$ and $c_2(0)=0$,

$$\pi \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \pi(W - \{0\}) .$$

So there exists a constant $s \in \mathbf{C}^* = \mathbf{C} - \{0\}$ such that

$$s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W - \{0\}, \text{ i.e., } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in s^{-1}W - \{0\} .$$

Therefore we may assume

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in W - \{0\} .$$

Lemma 5.1. *There exists a differentiable function h such that*

$$h \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 v \end{pmatrix} \in W - \{0\} .$$

in an open interval U in which $c_2 \neq 0$.

Proof of Lemma 5.1. Let

$$e_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\alpha} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^0 \\ \alpha \end{pmatrix} \quad (\alpha^0 \in \mathbf{C}, \alpha \in \mathbf{C}^n)$$

be a basis of W . Putting

$$d(t) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1(t) \\ c_2(t)v \end{pmatrix},$$

we have $d = z(u_1 e_1 + u_2 \tilde{\alpha})$ for certain real valued functions u_1 and u_2 , and a complex valued non-zero function z . $u_2 \neq 0$ follows from the assumption $c_2 \neq 0$. We only have to put $h = 1/zu_2$ to complete the proof.

By Lemma 5.1 we see that $h(t_0)d(t_0)$ and e_1 for $t_0 \in U$ is a basis of W . So

$$h \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 v \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + Bh(t_0) \begin{pmatrix} c_1(t_0) \\ c_2(t_0)v \end{pmatrix}$$

for certain real-valued functions A and B . Hence

$$c_1/c_2 = A/Bh(t_0)c_2(t_0) + c_1(t_0)/c_2(t_0).$$

Put

$$(5.4) \quad D = c_1/c_2, \quad G = A/B \quad \text{and} \quad K = 1/h(t_0)c_2(t_0).$$

Then

$$(5.5) \quad D' = G'K$$

Lemma 5.2. *Let D be as in (5.4) and let U be an open interval in which $c_2(t) \neq 0$. Then*

$$(5.6) \quad D' = \frac{D'(t_0)(c_2(t_0))^2}{(c_2(t))^2} \exp\left(\sqrt{-1} \int_{t_0}^t b dt\right) \quad t_0 \in U.$$

Proof of Lemma 5.2. Since c_1 is a solution of (5.3), i.e., $c_1'' - \sqrt{-1} b c_1' + f c_1 = 0$, substituting $c_1 = D c_2$ in this equation, we have $D' c_2 + (2c_2' - \sqrt{-1} b c_2) D' = 0$. Hence

$$D'' + (2c_2'/c_2 - \sqrt{-1} b) D' = 0$$

Solving this equation on D' , we obtain (5.6). This completes the proof of Lemma 5.2.

By (5.5) and (5.6) we have

$$\frac{D'(t_0)(c_2(t_0))^2}{(c_2)^2} \exp\left(\sqrt{-1} \int_{t_0}^t b dt\right) = G'K.$$

Put $K/D'(t_0)(c_2(t_0))^2 = l \exp(\sqrt{-1} \psi)$, $c_2 = r_2 \exp(\sqrt{-1} \theta_2)$, where l , ψ , r_2 and θ_2 are real functions. Then

$$\exp \left\{ \sqrt{-1} \left(-2\theta_2 + \int_{t_0}^t b dt - \psi \right) \right\} = G'l(r_2)^2 .$$

Since G' , l and r_2 are continuous real functions, we have

$$(5.7) \quad -2\theta_2 + \int_{t_0}^t b dt - \psi = 0 \pmod{\pi} .$$

Differentiating (5.7), we obtain

$$(5.8) \quad \theta_2' = b/2 .$$

Let

$$(5.9) \quad c_2 = r_2 \exp(\sqrt{-1} \theta_2)$$

be the expression by polar coordinates. Since c_2 is a solution of (5.3), i.e., $c_2'' - \sqrt{-1} b c_2' + f c_2 = 0$, putting (5.9) in this equation, we have

$$\exp(\sqrt{-1} \theta_2) \{ (r_2'' - r_2(\theta_2')^2 + b r_2 \theta_2' + f r_2) + \sqrt{-1} (2r_2' \theta_2' + r_2 \theta_2'' - b r_2') \} = 0 .$$

Hence

$$(5.10) \quad 2r_2' \theta_2' + r_2 \theta_2'' - b r_2' = 0 .$$

Substituting (5.8) in (5.10), we obtain $r_2 b_2' = 0$. Since $r_2 \neq 0$, we have $b' = 0$. This holds in an open interval in which $c_2 \neq 0$. However, since c_2 is a solution of an ordinary linear differential equation of second order, the zero points of c_2 are discrete. Thus b is constant, namely $c(t)$ is an H -geodesic. This completes the proof of Proposition 5.1.

Proposition 5.2. *Let ∇ be a connection of Kaehler type whose Ricci tensor is parallel, and let $c(t)$ be an H -geodesic with respect to ∇ under a certain change of parameter. Then there exists a 2-dimensional real subspace W of C^{n+1} such that the development of $c(t)$ with respect to the normal Cartan connection is contained in $\pi(W - \{0\})$.*

Proof. We may assume that $c(t)$ is an H -geodesic, since existence of such a 2-dimensional real subspace W of C^{n+1} as above is independent of the choice of a parameter. Let $x(t)$ be a horizontal lift in $C(M)$. Then, by Lemma 2.1,

$$c'(t) = x(t) \exp(\sqrt{-1} b t) v, \quad v \in C^n$$

Since $c(t)$ is an H -geodesic, b is a real constant. The notation being as in the proof of Proposition 5.1, we have

$$a_0'' - \sqrt{-1} b a_0' + f a_0 = 0 .$$

Lemma 4.1 shows that f is a real constant, because the Ricci tensor of ∇ is

parallel. We shall denote this constant by $-k$. Let c_1 and c_2 be the solutions of

$$c'' - \sqrt{-1} b c' - k c = 0$$

with initial values, respectively,

$$\begin{cases} c_1(0) = 1 & c_2(0) = 0 \\ c_1'(0) = 0 & c_2'(0) = 1. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$a_0 = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 v \end{pmatrix}.$$

We only have to prove existence of a 2-dimensional real subspace W of C^{n+1} satisfying $\pi(a_0(t)) \subset \pi(W - \{0\})$. Since b and k are real constants, the solutions c_1 and c_2 can be obtained explicitly as follows:

i) If $D = -b^2 + 4k \neq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{D}} \exp(\sqrt{-1} bt/2) \{(-\sqrt{-1} b + \sqrt{D}) \exp(\sqrt{D} t/2) \\ &\quad + (\sqrt{-1} b + \sqrt{D}) \exp(-\sqrt{D} t/2)\}, \\ c_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} \exp(\sqrt{-1} bt/2) \{\exp(\sqrt{D} t/2) - \exp(-\sqrt{D} t/2)\}. \end{aligned}$$

ii) If $-b^2 + 4k = 0$ and $k \neq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= (-\sqrt{-1} bt/2) \exp(\sqrt{-1} bt/2) + \exp(\sqrt{-1} bt/2), \\ c_2 &= t \exp(\sqrt{-1} bt/2). \end{aligned}$$

iii) If $b = 0$ and $k = 0$, then

$$c_1 = 1, \quad c_2 = t.$$

Thus we can choose a real basis $\{\alpha, \beta\}$ of W as follows:

i) If $D > 0$, then

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-\sqrt{-1} b + D}{2} \\ v \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{-1} b + D}{2} \\ -v \end{pmatrix},$$

because

$$\pi(a_0(t)) = \pi\left(\exp\left(\frac{\sqrt{D}}{2} t\right)\alpha + \exp\left(\frac{-\sqrt{D}}{2} t\right)\beta\right).$$

ii) If $D < 0$, then

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{D} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{-1} b \\ 2v \end{pmatrix},$$

because

$$\pi(a_0(t)) = \pi\left(\cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{-D}}{2}t\right)\alpha + \sqrt{-1}\sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{-D}}{2}t\right)\beta\right).$$

ii) If $D=0$ and $k \neq 0$, then

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2}b \\ v \end{pmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

because

$$\pi(a_0(t)) = \pi(t\alpha + \beta).$$

iii) If $b=0$ and $k=0$, then

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}.$$

q.e.d.

From Propositions 5.1 and 5.2 follows

Corollary 5.1. *Let ∇ be a connection of Kaehler type whose Ricci tensor is parallel. Then a curve $c(t)$ is an H-geodesic with respect to ∇ under a certain change of parameter if and only if there exists a 2-dimensional real subspace W of C^{n+1} such that the development of $c(t)$ with respect to the normal Cartan connection is contained in $\pi(W - \{0\})$.*

We have detailed the development of a curve in $P^n(C)$ in Example 2.1. Applying Corollary 5.1 to $M = P^n(C)$, we obtain

Corollary 5.2. *A curve $c(t)$ in $P^n(C)$ is an H-geodesic under a certain change of parameter if and only if there exists a 2-dimensional real subspace W of C^{n+1} such that $c(t)$ is contained in $\pi(W - \{0\})$.*

By Proposition 5.1 and Corollary 5.2 we have

Theorem 5. *Let ∇ be a connection of Kaehler type. Then a curve $c(t)$ is an H-geodesic with respect to ∇ under a certain change of parameter, if the development of $c(t)$ with respect to the normal Cartan connection is an H-geodesic in $P^n(C)$.*

6. Proof of Theorem 6

In this section we shall prove Theorem 6.

Lemma 6.1. *Let c_1 and c_2 be the solutions of the following differential equation*

$$(6.1) \quad u'' - \sqrt{-1}bu' - ku = 0$$

with initial conditions

$$(6.2) \quad c_1(0) = 1, \quad c_1'(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad c_2(0) = 0, \quad c_2'(0) = 1,$$

where b and k are real constants. Then we have the following:

- a) If $-b^2+4k>0$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_2/c_1 = 1/\sqrt{k}$.
- b) If $-b^2+4k<0$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_2/c_1$ does not exist.
- c) If $-b^2+4k=0$ and $k \neq 0$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_2/c_1 = 1/\sqrt{k}$.
- d) If $b=0$ and $k=0$, then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_1/c_2=0$.

Proof. We have obtained the solutions c_1 and c_2 explicitly in the proof of Proposition 5.2. Lemma 6.1 follows directly from these results. q.e.d.

For the remainder of this section, let ∇ be an H -complete connection of Kaehler type on a complex manifold M whose Ricci tensor S is parallel. Let $Q(\nabla)$ and $s:C(M) \rightarrow Q(\nabla)$ be, as explained in Section 2, the L_0 /(center)-structure and the injection corresponding to ∇ respectively. Let $E_x: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$ ($x \in C(M)$) be as in (4.1). Define a subset Φ_{E_x} of $P^n(C)$ by

$$(6.3) \quad \Phi_{E_x} = \left\{ \pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in P^n(C) \mid -|v^0|^2 + E_x(v)v = 0, v^0 \in C, v \in C^n \right\}.$$

Lemma 6.2. *Let $c(t)$ and $x(t)$ be an H -geodesic of ∇ and its horizontal lift in $C(M)$ respectively. Put $x=x(0)$. And let $a(t) \in L$ be as in (2.6). If $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a(t)0$ exists, it belong to Φ_{E_x} .*

Proof. By Lemma 2.1

$$c'(t) = x(t) \exp \left(\int_0^t F(t) dt \right) v,$$

for a certain function F and a vector $v \in C^n$. We see by the definition of an H -geodesic $F(t) = \sqrt{-1} b$, b being a constant. Thus $\theta(x'(t)) = \exp(\sqrt{-1} bt)v$. On the other hand, by Lemma 4.1 and by the assumption that the Ricci tensor field is parallel, we easily see that $E_{x(t)}(u)w$ is constant for any u and $w \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1}$. Thus $f(t) = -E_{x(t)}(v)v$ in (5.1) is a constant, which we shall denote by $-k$.

Let a_0 denote the first column vector of $a(t)$. Then by (5.2) a_0 is the solution of

$$a_0'' - \sqrt{-1} b a_0' - k a_0 = 0$$

with initial conditions

$$a_0(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a_0'(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let c_1 and c_2 be the solutions of (6.1) with initial conditions (6.2), then

$$a_0(t) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1(t) \\ c_2(t)v \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus

$$a(t)0 = \pi(a_0(t)) = \pi \begin{pmatrix} c_1(t) \\ c_2(t)v \end{pmatrix}.$$

Lemma 6.2 now follows from Lemma 6.1 and the definition of Φ_{E_x} in (6.3). q.e.d.

Lemma 6.3. *For any $\bar{v} \in \Phi_{E_x}$, there exists a geodesic $c(t)$ with $c(0) = \pi^1(x)$ such that*

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a(t)0 = \bar{v},$$

$a(t)$ being defined in (2.6).

Proof. By the definition of Φ_{E_x} ,

$$\bar{v} = \pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$

for some $v^0 \in \mathcal{C}$ and $v \in \mathcal{C}^n$ with $-|v^0|^2 + E_x(v)v = 0$. In the case when $E_x(v)v > 0$, take a geodesic with initial conditions $c(0) = \pi^1(x)$, $c'(0) = x(v/v^0)$. Then by the same argument as in Lemma 6.2,

$$(6.4) \quad a(t)0 = \pi \begin{pmatrix} c_1(t) \\ c_2(t)v/v^0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where c_1 and c_2 are the solutions of $u'' - ku = 0$ ($k = E_x(v/v^0)v/v^0$) with initial conditions (6.2). By i) with $b = 0$ in the proof of Proposition 5.2,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_2/c_1 = 1/\sqrt{k} = |v^0|/\sqrt{E_x(v)v} = 1.$$

Thus we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a(t)0 = \pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}.$$

In the case when $E_x(v)v = 0$, i.e., $v^0 = 0$, take a geodesic with initial conditions $c(0) = \pi^1(x)$, $c'(0) = xv$. Then by the same argument as above

$$(6.5) \quad a(t)0 = \pi \begin{pmatrix} c_1(t) \\ c_2(t)v \end{pmatrix},$$

where c_1 and c_2 are solutions of $u'' = 0$ with initial conditions (6.2). By d) in Lemma 6.1,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} c_1/c_2 = 0.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a(t)0 = \pi \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 6.3.

Define a subset $\Phi(p)$ of $Q(\nabla) \times_{L_0} P^n(C)$ for $p \in M$ by $\Phi(p) = s(x)\Phi_{E_x}$ with $\pi^1(x) = p$. This is independent of the choice of $x \in C(M)$.

Let $\bar{\nabla}$ be another H -complete connection of Kaehler type on M whose Ricci tensor \bar{S} is parallel. Then $\bar{s}: C(M) \rightarrow Q(\bar{\nabla})$, $\bar{E}_x: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$, $\bar{\Phi}_{\bar{E}_x} \subset P^n(C)$ and $\bar{\Phi}(p)$ can be defined in the same way as above. Assume that $\bar{\nabla}$ is H -projectively equivalent to ∇ . Then $Q(\nabla) = Q(\bar{\nabla})$ by Theorem 1. Further we obtain the following:

Lemma 6.4. $\Phi(p) = \bar{\Phi}(p)$.

Proof. Let q^* be an arbitrary element in $\Phi(p)$. Then, by Lemma 6.3, there exists a geodesic $c(t)$ with respect to ∇ such that the limit point of its development is q^* . By Proposition 5.2 and Corollary 5.1 we see that $c(t)$ is an H -geodesic of $\bar{\nabla}$ under a certain change of parameter. Taking into consideration (5.0) which shows how to change parameter, we have $q^* \in \bar{\Phi}(p)$ by lemma 6.2. Thus $\Phi(p) \subset \bar{\Phi}(p)$. In a similar fashion we have $\bar{\Phi}(p) \subset \Phi(p)$, and the proof is complete.

In view of (1.4) we can define $F: C(M) \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_1$ by $\bar{s}(x) = s(x) \exp(F(x))$. Then we have

Lemma 6.5. $(v^0, Y) \in C \times T_p(M)$ satisfies

$$(A) \quad |v^0|^2 + S_p(Y, Y)/2(n+1) = 0$$

if and only if it satisfies

$$(B) \quad |v^0 - F(y)v|^2 + \bar{S}_p(Y, Y)/2(n+1) = 0,$$

for $y \in C(M)$ and $v \in C^n$ such that $Y = \gamma v$.

Proof. Lemma 4.1 shows that (A) (resp. (B)) is equivalent to

$$(6.6) \quad \pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in \Phi_{E_y}$$

$$(6.7) \quad \left(\text{resp. } \pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 - F(y)v \\ v \end{pmatrix} \in \bar{\Phi}_{\bar{E}_y} \right).$$

We have by Lemma 6.4

$$(6.8) \quad \exp(-F(y))\Phi_{E_y} = \bar{\Phi}_{\bar{E}_y}$$

Since

$$\exp(-F(y))\pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \pi \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -F(y) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v^0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \pi \begin{pmatrix} v^0 & -F(y)v \\ & v \end{pmatrix},$$

(A) is equivalent to (B) by (6.6), (6.7) and (6.8).

q.e.d.

Proof of Theorem 6. Let p be an arbitrary point in M . In the case when $S \neq 0$, $S_p(Y, Y) < 0$ for some $Y \in T_p(M)$. Choose $v^0 \in \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$(6.9) \quad (v^0)^2 + S_p(Y, Y)/2(n+1) = 0.$$

Then we have also

$$(6.10) \quad (v^0)^2 + S_p(-Y, -Y)/2(n+1) = 0.$$

Applying Lemma 6.5 to (6.9) and (6.10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |v^0 - F(y)v|^2 + \bar{S}_p(Y, Y)/2(n+1) &= 0 \\ |v^0 + F(y)v|^2 + \bar{S}_p(-Y, -Y)/2(n+1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for $y \in C(M)$ and $v \in \mathbf{C}^n$ such that $Y = yv$. By these two formulas $\text{Re}(F(y)v) = 0$. On the other hand, the set

$$\{v \in \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \mid S_p(yv, yv) < 0\}$$

is open in \mathfrak{g}_{-1} . Thus the \mathbf{R} -linear map $L: \mathfrak{g}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ defined by $L(v) = \text{Re}(F(y)v)$ is zero. Since $F(y)v = \text{Re}(F(y)v) - \sqrt{-1} \text{Re}(F(y)\sqrt{-1}v)$, the map $N: \mathfrak{g}_{-1} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ defined by $N(v) = F(y)v$ is zero. Thus $F = 0$, because p is an arbitrary point. Also in the case when $S = 0$, we obtain $F = 0$ in a similar fashion. This completes the proof of Theorem 6.

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