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## Preface

This volume of OCAMI Reports summarizes the workshop “Submanifolds of Symmetric Spaces and Their Time Evolutions” held from March 5th to March 6th in 2021 online by Zoom because of the COVID-19 pandemic. This workshop was supported by “Osaka city University, Advanced Mathematical Institute MEXT Joint Usage/Research Center on Mathematics and Theoretical Physics.” The main focus of this workshop is submanifolds of symmetric spaces (or more general ambient spaces), mean curvature flows in symmetric spaces (or more general ambient spaces), and related geometric flows (line bundle mean curvature flows, which is flows of connections of complex line bundle over Kähler manifold, coupling flows of Ricci flows and heat flows, and so on). This workshop consisted of two 60 minutes keynote lectures on “mean curvature flow for isoparametric submanifolds and polar foliations on symmetric spaces” by Professor Xiaobo Liu (Peking University), two 60 minutes keynote lectures on “deformed Hermitian Yang-Mills connections and line bundle mean curvature flows” by Doctor Hikaru Yamamoto (University of Tsukuba), and seven 50 minutes lectures on “submanifolds of symmetric spaces, submanifolds of generalized s-manifolds, proper Fredholm submanifolds of Hilbert spaces, Lagrangian mean curvature flows, and coupling flows of Ricci flows and heat flows.” There were 38 participants in this workshop. This workshop conducted international research exchanges on submanifolds of symmetric spaces, their time evolutions and furthermore related geometric flows.

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## Ancient solutions for mean curvature flow of isoparametric submanifolds

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Ancient solutions are important in studying singularities of mean curvature flows (MCF). So far most rigidity results about ancient solutions are modeled on shrinking spheres or spherical caps. In this talk, I will describe the behavior of MCF for a class of submanifolds, called isoparametric submanifolds, which have more complicated topological type. We can show that all such solutions are in fact ancient solutions, i.e. they exist for all time which goes to negative infinity. I will also describe our conjectures proposed together with Terng on rigidity of ancient solutions to MCF for hypersurfaces in spheres. These conjectures are closely related to Chern's conjecture for minimal hypersurfaces in spheres. This talk is based on joint works with Chuu-Lian Terng.

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# Ancient solutions for Mean Curvature Flow of Isoparametric Submanifolds

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## Mean curvature flow

Let  $M$  be a submanifold in a Riemannian manifold  $X$ . The **mean curvature flow** (abbreviated as **MCF**) of  $M$  is a map  $f : I \times M \longrightarrow X$  satisfying

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = H(t, \cdot)$$

where  $H(t, \cdot)$  is the mean curvature vector field of  $f(t, \cdot)$  and  $f(0, \cdot)$  is the immersion of  $M$  in  $X$ .

If a solution exists on  $I = (-\infty, T]$  for some  $T > 0$ , it is called an **ancient solution**. Such solutions are important in studying singularities of general MCF.

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## Examples:

- If  $f_0 : M \longrightarrow X$  is minimal, then

$$f(t, x) = f_0(x), \quad x \in M$$

is an ancient solution to MCF. This is the **stationary solution**.

- If  $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  is a subsphere, then the MCF of  $M$  is an ancient solution, which shrinks to a point in finite positive time and converges to the equator as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ . This solution is called the **shrinking spherical cap**.

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- If

$$f_0 : M \longrightarrow S^{n+1} \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+2}$$

is a minimal submanifold of the unit sphere  $S^{n+1}$  of any codimension (in particular  $M$  could be  $S^{n+1}$ ), then

$$f(t, x) = \sqrt{1 - 2nt} f_0(x), \quad x \in M$$

is an ancient solution to MCF for  $M$  as a submanifold in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+2}$ .

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$M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ .  $\nu M$ : normal bundle of  $M$ .

**Definition**(Terng):  $M$  is **isoparametric** if

- (1)  $\nu M$  is globally flat, i.e. parallel translations of normal vectors along closed curves are identity.
- (2) For any parallel normal vector field  $\eta$ , principal curvatures along  $\eta$  are constant.

An **isoparametric polynomial** is a homogeneous polynomial  $F$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{n+2}$  such that  $\Delta F$  and  $\|\nabla F\|$  are constant along level sets of  $F$ .

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## Isoparametric hypersurfaces

- Let  $F$  be an isoparametric polynomial which is normalized such that the range of  $F|_{S^{n+1}}$  is  $[-1, 1]$ . Then for any  $t \in (-1, 1)$ ,  $F^{-1}(t) \cap S^{n+1}$  is an isoparametric submanifold. These are **isoparametric hypersurfaces in sphere**.

$M_{\pm} := F^{-1}(\pm 1) \cap S^{n+1}$  are not isoparametric, they are focal submanifolds of isoparametric hypersurfaces.

Let  $g$  be the number of distinct principal curvatures of an isoparametric hypersurface in sphere. Then  $g = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6$  (Münzner).

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- **Clifford examples**(Ferus-Karcher-Münzner):  
Assume that  $E_1, \dots, E_{m-1}$  are skew symmetric  $l \times l$  matrices such that

$$E_i E_j + E_j E_i = -2\delta_{ij} Id$$

(i.e. these matrices give a representation of the Clifford algebra.)

Then we can construct a homogeneous polynomial of degree 4 on  $\mathbb{R}^{2l}$  which is isoparametric.

The corresponding isoparametric hypersurfaces have 4 distinct principal curvatures. Most of them are non-homogeneous.

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- **Homogeneous isoparametric submanifolds:**

Let  $G/K$  be a symmetric space,

$\mathfrak{g}$  the Lie algebra of  $G$ ,

$\mathfrak{k}$  the Lie algebra of  $K$ ,

$\mathfrak{p}$  the orthogonal complement of  $\mathfrak{k}$  in  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

The isotropy representation of  $K$  acts on  $\mathfrak{p}$ .

Principal orbits of this representation are isoparametric submanifolds. All these submanifolds are homogeneous.

- Reducible cases: Products of isoparametric submanifolds are isoparametric.

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## Properties

- If  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  is complete isoparametric, then  $M = M_1 \times \mathbb{R}^k$  with  $M_1$  compact isoparametric.
- If  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  is compact isoparametric, then  $M$  is contained in a round sphere. After translation and dilation, we may assume  $M$  is contained in the unit sphere centered at origin.
- For any parallel normal vector field  $\eta$  along  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ , define

$$M_\eta := \{x + \eta(x) \mid x \in M\}.$$

If  $M$  is isoparametric, then  $M_\eta$  is always a smooth submanifold.

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## Isoparametric foliation:

- If  $\dim M_\eta = \dim M$ , then  $M_\eta$  is also isoparametric. It is called a **parallel isoparametric submanifold** of  $M$ .
- If  $\dim M_\eta < \dim M$ , then  $M_\eta$  is no longer isoparametric. It is a **focal submanifold** of  $M$ .
- $\bigcup_\eta M_\eta$  gives a singular foliation of  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . If  $M \subset S^{N-1}$ , then the set of  $M_\eta \subset S^{N-1}$  also gives a singular foliation of  $S^{N-1}$ . These foliations are called **isoparametric foliations**.

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## MCF of Isop. Submanifolds

Assume  $M \subset S^{N-1} \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  compact isoparametric. MCF of  $M$  as a submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^N$  (resp.  $S^{N-1}$ ) is called the **Euclidean** (resp. **spherical**) MCF of  $M$ .

**Theorem**(Liu-Terng, Duke 2009):

- MCFs of  $M$  preserve the isoparametric condition before collapsing.
- Euclidean MCF of  $M$  always converge to a focal submanifold in a finite time  $T > 0$ . Same is true for spherical MCF if  $M$  is not minimal in sphere.
- Every focal submanifold is a limit of the MCF of some isoparametric submanifold.

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The above results were generalized:

for MCF of equifocal submanifolds of symmetric spaces by N. Koike (2011),

and for MCF of regular leaves of isoparametric foliations on compact non-negatively curved manifolds by Alexandrino-Radeschi (2016).

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## Ancient Solutions

**Theorem**(Liu-Terng, Math. Ann. 2020):  
In both Euclidean and spherical cases,

- MCF of  $M$  are ancient solutions, i.e. they exist for all  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$ .
- There is a unique minimal isoparametric submanifold  $M_{\min}$  for each isoparametric foliation in  $S^{N-1}$ .
- As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ , MCF of  $M$  converges to MCF of  $M_{\min}$ . (Note that the spherical MCF of  $M_{\min}$  is stationary).

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More precisely,  $\exists$  a unit parallel normal vector field  $\zeta$  on  $M$  in  $S^{N-1}$  such that the map  $h : M \rightarrow S^{N-1}$  defined by

$$h(x) = (\cos r)x + (\sin r)\zeta(x)$$

is the embedding of  $M_{\min}$  in  $S^{N-1}$ , where  $r$  is the spherical distance between  $M$  and  $M_{\min}$ .

Let  $f(t, x)$ ,  $F(t, x)$  be the spherical and Euclidean MCF of  $M$ . For all  $x \in M$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \|F(t, x) - \sqrt{1 - 2nt} h(x)\| &= 0, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \|f(t, x) - h(x)\| &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

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## Hypersurface cases

Let  $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  be an isoparametric hypersurface with  $g$  distinct principal curvatures. For any  $x_0 \in M$ , let  $S^1(x_0)$  be the geodesic in  $S^{n+1}$  which passes  $x_0$  and is perpendicular to  $M$ .

Let  $M_{\pm}$  be the focal submanifolds of  $M$  with  $\dim M_+ \leq \dim M_-$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 &:= \dim M - \dim M_-, \\ m_2 &:= \dim M - \dim M_+. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are multiplicities of principal curvatures of  $M$ .

Note that  $m_1 \leq m_2$ .

If  $g = 1, 3, 6$ , then  $m_1 = m_2$ .

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$M_+ \cup M_-$  intersects  $S^1(x_0)$  in exactly  $2g$  points, evenly distributed along the circle. Let  $x_{\pm}$  be the intersection of  $M_{\pm}$  with  $S^1(x_0)$  which are closest to  $x_0$ . We may identify the normal space of  $M$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n+2}$  at  $x_0$  with  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $S^1(x_0)$  is the unit circle in  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $x_+ = 1$ ,  $x_- = e^{i\pi/g}$ ,  $x_0 = e^{i\theta_0}$  with  $0 < \theta_0 < \pi/g$ .

Every parallel isoparametric hypersurface intersect the arc  $\{e^{i\theta} \mid 0 < \theta < \pi/g\}$  at exactly one point. We can use this point to represent the parallel isoparametric hypersurface.

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Let  $M_{\min}$  be the unique minimal isoparametric hypersurface which is parallel to  $M$ . Then  $M_{\min}$  is represented by  $e^{i\theta_{\min}}$  where

$$\cos g\theta_{\min} = -\delta$$

with

$$\delta := \frac{m_2 - m_1}{m_2 + m_1} \geq 0.$$

**Theorem (Liu-Terng):** Let  $M_t$  be the spherical mean curvature flow of  $M$ . Assume  $M_t$  is represented by  $e^{i\theta(t)}$ . Then  $\theta(t)$  is given by

$$\cos g\theta(t) = e^{gnt} (\cos g\theta_0 + \delta) - \delta.$$

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Note that  $e^{i\theta_{\min}}$  divides the arc

$$\{e^{i\theta} \mid 0 < \theta < \pi/g\}$$

into two parts.  $\theta(t) \rightarrow 0$  or  $\pi/g$  as  $t$  approaches some positive number. As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $\theta(t) \rightarrow \theta_{\min}$ .

**Remark:** For higher codimensional cases, explicit solutions of MCF can also be constructed recursively using Coxeter group structure of the isoparametric submanifolds. In general, it is more difficult to locate the position of minimal leaf of isoparametric foliation in higher codimension.

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## Rigidity Results

**Theorem** (Huisken and Sinestrari, JDG 2015):  
Let  $M_t$  be the spherical MCF of a hypersurface in  $S^{n+1}$ ,  $A(t)$  and  $H(t)$  be the shape operator and the mean curvature vector field of  $M_t$  as a submanifold of  $S^{n+1}$ .  $M_t$  is either a shrinking spherical cap or a stationary solution if one of the following conditions is satisfied for all  $t < 0$ :

- (HS1) For  $n \geq 3$  and

$$\|A(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{n-1}\|H(t)\|^2 \leq 2.$$

- (HS2) For some constant  $B < 4n$ ,

$$\|A(t)\|^2 < e^{-Bt}\|H(t)\|^2.$$

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Huisken and Sinestrari claimed that condition (HS1) is sharp. They justify this claim by considering the MCF of a product of an  $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere and a circle in  $S^{n+1}$ . This is precisely the MCF of an isoparametric hypersurface with  $g = 2$ ,  $m_1 = 1$ ,  $m_2 = n-1$ . According to our calculations, for this example

$$\|A(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{n-1}\|H(t)\|^2 - 2 = \frac{n-2}{n-1} \tan^2 \theta(t)$$

where  $e^{i\theta(t)}$  represents  $M_t$ . As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $\theta(t) \rightarrow \theta_{\min}$ , RHS  $\rightarrow n-2$  which is not arbitrarily small. So the justification for the sharpness of (HS1) is not correct.

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**Lemma(Liu-Terng):** For every  $g = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, \exists$  isoparametric hypersurface with  $g$  distinct principal curvatures such that its MCF satisfies

$$||A(t)||^2 < e^{-2gnt} ||H(t)||^2$$

for all  $t < 0$ .

**Corollary:** Condition (HS2) is sharp in the sense that  $B$  can not be  $\geq 4n$ . (Otherwise  $g = 2$  case of the above lemma would give counter examples.)

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## Rigidity conjectures

**Conjecture A(Liu-Terng):** If  $\exists c_1, c_2, T > 0$  such that

$$c_1 e^{-2gnt} \leq \frac{||A(t)||^2}{||H(t)||^2} \leq c_2 e^{-2gnt}$$

for all  $t < -T$ , then the ancient solution of MCF  $M_t$  of compact hypersurfaces in sphere is the MCF of an isoparametric hypersurface with  $g$  distinct principal curvatures.

**Remark:**  $g = 1$  case of this conjecture is true by Huisken and Sinestrari's result.

The above estimate holds for MCF of isoparametric hypersurfaces.

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**Conjecture B(Liu-Terng):** If  $\exists$  some constants  $0 < \epsilon < 1$  and  $T > 0$  such that either

$$(g - 1)n \leq \|A(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{n}\|H(t)\|^2 \leq (g - 1 + \epsilon)n$$

or

$$(g - 1 - \epsilon)n \leq \|A(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{n}\|H(t)\|^2 \leq (g - 1)n$$

for all  $t < -T$ , then the ancient solution of MCF  $M_t$  of compact hypersurfaces in sphere is the MCF of an isoparametric hypersurface with  $g$  distinct principal curvatures.

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**Remark:**  $g = 1$  case of Conjecture B is true by a result of Lei-Xu-Zhao (2019).

The above estimate holds for MCF of isoparametric hypersurfaces.

The two inequalities in Conjecture B can not be replaced by the following inequality:

$$(g - 1 - \epsilon)n \leq \|A(t)\|^2 - \frac{1}{n}\|H(t)\|^2 \leq (g - 1 + \epsilon)n.$$

Otherwise Otsuki's construction would give a counter example (which are minimal of topological type  $S^{n-1} \times S^1$ ).

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## Chern's Conjecture

**Original Chern's Conjecture:**  $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  compact minimal with constant  $\|A\|$ . Then the set of possible values of  $\|A\|^2$  is discrete.

**Remark:** For minimal isoparametric hypersurface with  $g$  distinct principal curvatures,  $\|A\|^2 = n(g - 1)$ .

**Stronger version of Chern's Conjecture:**  $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  compact minimal with constant  $\|A\|$ . Then  $M$  is isoparametric.

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## Stationary case of Conjecture B

**Conjecture C:**  $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  compact minimal. If  $\exists$  some constants  $0 < \epsilon < 1$  such that either

$$(g - 1)n \leq \|A\|^2 \leq (g - 1 + \epsilon)n$$

or

$$(g - 1 - \epsilon)n \leq \|A\|^2 \leq (g - 1)n,$$

then  $M$  is an isoparametric hypersurface with  $g$  distinct principal curvatures.

**Remark:** Conjecture C is stronger than Chern's conjecture.

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**Theorem** (Chern-do Carmo-Kobayashi, 1970):  
 $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  compact minimal. If

$$0 \leq \|A\|^2 \leq n,$$

then  $M$  is either an equator (isoparametric with  $g = 1$ ) or a Clifford torus (isoparametric with  $g = 2$ ).

This result implies that Conjecture C is true for  $g = 1$  case and half of the  $g = 2$  case.

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**Theorem:** Assume  $M^n \subset S^{n+1}$  compact minimal with

$$n \leq \|A\|^2 \leq (1 + \epsilon)n.$$

$M$  must be a Clifford torus if

- $\epsilon = \frac{1}{12}$  and  $\|A\|$  is constant (Peng-Terng, 1983),
- $\epsilon = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $\|A\|$  is constant (Cheng-Yang, 1998),
- $\epsilon = \frac{3}{7}$  and  $\|A\|$  is constant (Suh-Yang, 2007), or
- $\epsilon = \frac{1}{23}$  (Ding-Xin, 2011), or
- $\epsilon = \frac{1}{22}$  (Xu-Xu, 2017).

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These results give some partial answers for second half of the  $g = 2$  case of Conjecture C.

Chern's conjecture for isoparametric hypersurface in  $S^4$  was proved by S.P. Chang (1993).

The above results was proved using estimates obtained from elliptic equations for  $\Delta \Pi$  and  $\Delta(\nabla \Pi)$ . We hope the flow (parabolic) method may provide new insights to Chern's conjecture.

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## Idea for Proof: Euclidean Case

Assume  $M \subset S^{N-1} \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  compact isoparametric. Fix  $p \in M$ . Let  $V = \nu_p M$  be the normal space of  $M$  as a submanifold in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  at  $p$ .

The intersection of  $V$  and the union of all focal submanifolds of  $M$  is a union of finitely many hyperplanes in  $V$ . Let  $W$  be the group generated by reflections along these hyperplanes.

$W$  is a finite group, called the **Coxeter group** of  $M$  (Terng).

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Let  $C$  be the interior of the fundamental domain of  $W$  acting on  $V$  which contains  $p$ .  $C$  is called the open **Weyl chamber** of  $W$ .

$C$  is an open simplicial cone in  $V$ .

Every parallel isoparametric submanifold of  $M$  intersect  $C$  at exactly one point.

Every focal submanifold of  $M$  intersect  $\partial C$  at exactly one point.

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MCF of  $M$  is reduced to a flow equation for points in  $\overline{C} \subset V$ .

$W$  invariant polynomials on  $V$  give a new coordinate system on  $\overline{C}$ . In this coordinates, the Euclidean MCF becomes a flow equation along a polynomial vector field, and can be solved recursively in a rather explicit way. The solution exists as long as it does not hit  $\partial C$ .

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Since focal submanifolds have lower dimensions, the volume function approaches 0 if the flow approaches  $\partial C$ .

As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ , the volume function of MCF is increasing, hence never hits  $\partial C$ . Consequently MCF exists for all  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$ , i.e. the solution is ancient.

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By a result of Palais-Terng, each isoparametric foliation in  $S^{N-1}$  contains at least one minimal isoparametric leaf.

To study the limit of MCF as  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ , let  $x(t)$  be the Euclidean MCF of  $M$  and  $\tilde{x}(t)$  the Euclidean MCF of a minimal isoparametric submanifold in  $S^{N-1}$  which is parallel to  $M$ . Define

$$D(t) := ||x(t) - \tilde{x}(t)||^2.$$

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**Lemma:**  $\exists$  constant  $b > 0$  such that

$$D'(t) \geq \frac{b}{1 - 2nt} D(t).$$

**Corollary:** For all  $t < 0$ ,

$$D(t) \leq D(0)(1 - 2nt)^{-\frac{b}{2n}}.$$

In particular,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} D(t) = 0$ , i.e. MCF of  $M$  converges to the MCF of a minimal isoparametric submanifold.

**Corollary:** Each isoparametric foliation of  $S^{N-1}$  contains exactly one minimal isoparametric leaf.

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## Spherical Case

Let  $f(t, x)$  and  $F(t, x)$  denote the spherical and Euclidean MCF of  $M$ . Then

$$F(t, x) = \sqrt{1 - 2nt} f\left(-\frac{1}{2n} \ln(1 - 2nt), x\right).$$

We can use this formula to prove results about spherical MCF of  $M$ .

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## Geometric quantities

Let  $\alpha_i$  be unit normal vectors of walls of Coxeter group (roots),  $m_i$  multiplicities of curvature distribution. For  $x \in C$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} H^E(x) &= - \sum_i \frac{m_i \alpha_i}{\langle x, \alpha_i \rangle}, \\ H^S(x) &= - \sum_i \frac{m_i \alpha_i}{\langle x, \alpha_i \rangle} + \frac{nx}{\|x\|^2}, \\ \|A^E(x)\|^2 &= \sum_i \frac{m_i}{\langle x, \alpha_i \rangle^2}, \\ \|A^S(x)\|^2 &= \sum_i \frac{m_i}{\langle x, \alpha_i \rangle^2} - \frac{n}{\|x\|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

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If  $x(t) \in C$  represents a solution to MCF, then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} (1 - 2nt) \|H^E(x(t))\|^2 &= n^2, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} (1 - 2nt) \|A^E(x(t))\|^2 &= \sum_i \frac{m_i}{\langle x_{\min}, \alpha_i \rangle^2}. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \|H^S(y(t))\|^2 &= 0, \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \|A^S(y(t))\|^2 &= \sum_i \frac{m_i}{\langle x_{\min}, \alpha_i \rangle^2} - n. \end{aligned}$$

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**Thanks!**

## Polar foliations in symmetric spaces and their mean curvature flow

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Polar foliations are natural generalizations of orbit foliations of polar actions. In this talk I will describe the relation between polar foliations and isoparametric submanifolds in simply connected symmetric spaces with non-negative curvature. It turns out principal orbits of such foliation are isoparametric submanifolds. If leaves are compact, such foliations must be products of isoparametric foliations in Euclidean spaces and polar foliations in compact symmetric spaces. For polar foliation in compact symmetric spaces, there is a unique regular leaf which is minimal. The mean curvature flow of all regular leaves have ancient solutions and always converge to the minimal regular leaf as time goes to negative infinity. This talk is based on joint works with Marco Radeschi.

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# Polar Foliations on Symmetric Spaces and Mean Curvature Flow

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## Isoparametric Submanifolds

Let  $N$  be a Riemannian manifold,  $M \subset N$  a submanifold.

Given a parallel normal vector field  $\xi$  defined over a small open subset  $U \subset M$ , let

$$U_\xi := \{\exp(\xi(p)) \mid p \in U\}.$$

If  $\|\xi\|$  is small,  $U_\xi$  is a smooth submanifold of  $N$ .  
We call  $U_\xi$  a **locally parallel submanifold** of  $M$ .

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**Defination**(Heintze-Liu-Olmos, 1997): A submanifold  $M \subset N$  is **isoparametric** if

- (1) Normal bundle  $\nu M$  is flat.
- (2) For every  $p \in M$ ,  $\exp \nu_p M$  is totally geodesic in a neighbourhood of  $p$  (called a **local section**).
- (3) Locally parallel submanifolds of  $M$  have parallel mean curvature vector fields.

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**Example:** If  $N$  is a space form, this coincides with Terng's definition of isoparametric submanifolds.

Unlike the space form case, isoparametric submanifolds in general Riemannian manifold:

- (1) may not have constant principal curvatures.
- (2) may not produce a global singular foliation of  $N$ . If it does, such foliation is called an **isoparametric foliation**.

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**Example:** If  $N$  is a compact symmetric space,  $M \subset N$  is an **equifocal submanifold** if

- (1)  $\nu M$  is flat and abelian (use Lie algebra structure).
- (2) Focal distance and multiplicities along locally parallel normal vector fields are constant.

(This definition is due to Terng and Thorbergsson)

**Fact:**  $M$  is equifocal if and only if it is isoparametric with flat sections.

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**Example:** Let  $G$  be a Lie group acting isometrically on a Riemannian manifold  $N$ . The **action is polar** if there exists a totally geodesic submanifold  $\Sigma \subset N$  which intersects all orbits of  $G$  and intersects them orthogonally, and the dimension of  $\Sigma$  is complementary to the dimension of principal orbits.  $\Sigma$  is called a **section** of the polar foliation.

The **action is hyperpolar** if it is polar with flat section.

**Fact:** Principal orbits of polar actions are isoparametric.

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Given an isoparametric foliation  $(N, \mathcal{F})$ , i.e. a singular foliation consists of an isoparametric submanifold  $L$  and all its parallel submanifolds. It turns out that all **regular leaves** (i.e. leaves with maximal dimension) of  $\mathcal{F}$  are isoparametric submanifolds as well. Passing through every point  $p$ , there is a totally geodesic submanifold  $\Sigma_p$  (i.e. a section) which intersects all leaves orthogonally.

A vector  $v \in TN$  is **horizontal** if it is tangent to a section. It is **vertical** if it is tangent to a leaf.

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## Mean curvature flow

Recall **mean curvature flow** (abbreviated as **MCF**) of  $M$  over an interval  $I$  is a map

$$f : I \times M \longrightarrow N$$

satisfying

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = H(t, \cdot)$$

where  $H(t, \cdot)$  is the mean curvature vector field of  $f(t, \cdot)$  and  $f(0, \cdot)$  is the immersion of  $M$  in  $N$ .

If a solution exists on  $I = (-\infty, T]$  for some  $T > 0$ , it is called an **ancient solution**. Such solutions are important in studying singularities of general MCF.

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**Theorem**(Liu-Terng, Duke 2009): If  $L$  is an isoparametric submanifold in a Sphere or Euclidean space. Then

- (1) MCFs of  $L$  flows through leaves of the isoparametric foliation associated to  $L$ .
- (2) Euclidean MCF of  $L$  always converge to a singular leaf in a finite time  $T > 0$ . Same is true for spherical MCF if  $L$  is not minimal in sphere.

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The previous result was generalized:

for MCF of equifocal submanifolds in symmetric spaces by N. Koike (2011), and

for MCF of regular leaves of isoparametric foliations on compact non-negatively curved manifolds by Alexandrino-Radeschi (2016).

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**Theorem**(Liu-Terng, Math. Ann. 2020):

If  $L$  is an isoparametric submanifold in a Sphere or Euclidean space, then

- (1) MCF of  $L$  always has ancient solution, i.e. it exists for all  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$ .
- (2) There is a unique minimal isoparametric submanifold  $L_{\min}$  for each isoparametric foliation in  $S^{N-1}$ .
- (3) As  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ , MCF of  $L$  converges to MCF of  $L_{\min}$ . (Note that the spherical MCF of  $M_{\min}$  is stationary)

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**Theorem A**(Liu-Radeschi, 2020): Assume  $\mathcal{F}$  is an isoparametric foliation on a Riemannian manifold  $M$  such that  $\text{Ric}_M(v) > \text{Ric}_\Sigma(v)$  for any section  $\Sigma$  and  $v$  tangent to  $\Sigma$ , and the leaf space  $M/\mathcal{F}$  is compact. Then

- (1) There is a unique minimal regular leaf  $L_{\min}$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ .
- (2) For any regular leaf  $L$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ , the MCF of  $L$  always has ancient solution and it converges to  $L_{\min}$  as  $t$  goes to  $-\infty$ .

**Remark:** This result generalizes the corresponding result of Liu-Terng in spheres.

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## Polar Foliation

Let  $N$  be a complete Riemannian manifold. A singular foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $N$  is **Riemannian** if every geodesic perpendicular to a leaf at one point must be perpendicular to all leaves which it intersects.

Moreover,  $\mathcal{F}$  is **polar** if for  $\forall p \in N$ ,  $\exists$  a totally geodesic submanifold  $\Sigma \ni p$  with dimension complementary to the dimension of regular leaves such that  $\Sigma$  intersects all leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  orthogonally.  $\Sigma$  is called a **section** of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Remark:** No restriction for mean curvature of leaves in  $\mathcal{F}$ .

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A **hyperpolar foliation** is a polar foliation with flat sections.

**Remark:** In general a polar foliation may not be isoparametric.

Starting from an isoparametric submanifold, its parallel submanifolds may not form a foliation.

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**Example:**

Orbits of polar actions form a polar foliation.

Orbits of hyperpolar actions form a hyperpolar foliation.

Isoparametric foliations are polar.

Parallel submanifolds of an equifocal submifold in compact simply connected symmetric spaces form a hyperpolar foliation.

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**Theorem B**(Liu-Radeschi, 2020): Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a polar foliation on a simply connected symmetric space  $N$  with non-negative curvature. Then

- (1)  $\mathcal{F}$  is always isoparametric.
- (2)  $\mathcal{F}$  is a product of a polar foliation with compact **leaf space**  $N/\mathcal{F}$  and an isoparametric foliation in a Euclidean space.
- (3) If  $\mathcal{F}$  has compact leaves, then it is a product of a polar foliation in a compact symmetric space and an isoparametric foliation in a Euclidean space.

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**Corollary** (Liu-Radeschi, 2020):

Let  $N$  be a simply connected symmetric space with curvature  $\geq 0$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a polar foliation on  $N$  without trivial or Euclidean factors. Then

- (1) There is a unique regular leaf  $L_{\min}$  in  $\mathcal{F}$  which is minimal in  $N$ .
- (2) MCF of every regular leaf of  $\mathcal{F}$  has ancient solution and it converges to  $L_{\min}$  as  $t \mapsto -\infty$ .

**Remark:** Together with Liu-Terng's result for isoparametric submanifolds in Euclidean spaces, this result completely describes behavior of MCF for polar foliation in non-negatively curved symmetric spaces in negative time direction.

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## Idea for proof of Theorem A

Let  $L$  be a regular leaf in a polar foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  on a Riemannian manifold  $N$ . Let  $\gamma(t)$  be a geodesic with  $\gamma(0) = p \in L$  and  $\gamma'(0) \perp T_p L$ . Let  $X$  be a parallel normal vector field along  $L$  with  $X(p) = \gamma'(0)$ .

Define **end-point map**  $\phi_X : L \rightarrow N$  by

$$\phi_X(q) := \exp_q X(q).$$

For every  $v \in T_p L$ , we call  $J_v(t) := d_p \phi_{tX}(v)$  a **holonomy Jacobi vector field** along  $\gamma$ . Let  $L_t$  be the leaf of  $\mathcal{F}$  passing  $\gamma(t)$ . Then  $J_v(t) \in T_{\gamma(t)} L_t$  for all  $t$ .

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Let  $\Sigma \ni p$  be a section of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $\gamma(t) \in \Sigma$  for all  $t$ .

Let  $\mathcal{V}_t := \nu_{\gamma(t)}\Sigma$ . We have

$$\mathcal{V}_t \supseteq T_{\gamma(t)}L_t$$

for all  $t$  with "=" iff  $L_t$  is a regular leaf.

The curvature operator  $R$  on  $N$  defines a symmetric operator  $R_t$  on  $\mathcal{V}_t$  by

$$R_t(w) := R(w, \gamma'(t))\gamma'(t)$$

for  $w \in \mathcal{V}_t$ .

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There is a **Riccati operator**  $S_t$  on  $\mathcal{V}_t$  such that  $S_t(J(t)) = J'(t)$  for holonomy Jacobi vector field  $J$  at regular times. In fact  $-S_t$  is the shape operator of  $L_t$  along  $\gamma'(t)$  if  $L_t$  is a regular leaf.  $S_t$  satisfies the **Riccati equation**:

$$S'_t + S_t^2 + R_t = 0.$$

**Riccati comparison theorem:** Let  $n = \dim \mathcal{V}_t$ . If  $\frac{1}{n}\text{tr}(R_t) > \delta > 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{n}\text{tr}(S_t)$  is bounded above by the solution of

$$s'(t) + s^2(t) + \delta = 0$$

with  $s(0) = \frac{1}{n}\text{tr}(S_0)$ .

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Given an orthonormal basis  $\{e_i \mid i = 1, \dots, n\}$  of  $T_p L$  where  $p = \gamma(0)$ . Let  $J_i$  be the holonomy Jacobi field with  $J_i(0) = e_i$ . Let  $\omega$  and  $\omega_t$  be the volume element of  $L$  and  $L_t$  respectively. Then at  $p$ ,

$$\Phi_{tX}^* \omega_t = f_p(t) \cdot \omega$$

where

$$f_p(t) := \det(\langle J_i(t), E_j(t) \rangle)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n}$$

with  $E_j(t)$  the parallel extension of  $e_j$  along  $\gamma$ .

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Fact:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \ln f_p(t) = \text{tr}(S_t) = - \langle H_t, X_t \rangle .$$

So we can use Riccati comparison theorem to estimate volume of  $L_t$ . In particular, we have

**Lemma:** If for all regular leaves  $L$  and all  $v \in \nu_p L$ ,  $\text{tr}_{T_p L} R(\cdot, v)v > 0$ , then

$V(L) := \text{vol}(L)^{\frac{1}{n}}$  is a strictly concave function on the regular part of  $N/\mathcal{F}$ .

**Corollary:** If in addition,  $N/\mathcal{F}$  is compact, then there is a unique minimal regular leaf  $L_{\min}$ .

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If  $\mathcal{F}$  is isoparametric, MCF of a regular leaf can be reduced to a flow on regular part of  $N/\mathcal{F}$  and  $V$  is a Lyapunov function for the flow along  $-H$  with unique global attractor  $L_{\min}$ . Hence MCF of  $L$  converges to  $L_{\min}$  as  $t \mapsto -\infty$ . This finishes the proof of Theorem A.

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## Idea for proof of Theorem B

To prove a polar foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  on a simply connected manifold  $N$  is isoparametric, we need:

**Theorem**(Alexandrino-Toeben): Let  $L$  be a regular leaf of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then

- (1)  $L$  has trivial normal holonomy.
- (2)  $L$  has constant focal data, i.e., the end point map of a parallel normal vector field has constant rank.

So we only need to show mean curvature vector fields along regular leaves are parallel.

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Let  $N$  be a simply connected symmetric space with curvature  $\geq 0$ .

**Theorem**(Lytchak): Every polar foliation in  $N$  is a product of a trivial factor, a hyperpolar foliation, and polar foliations with spherical sections (i.e. sections with constant positive curvature).

**Theorem**(Heintze-Liu-Olmos): Hyperpolar foliations on  $N$  are isoparametric.

So we only need to show polar foliations with spherical sections are isoparametric.

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We may assume every section  $\Sigma$  is a sphere with curvature  $= 1$  after re-scaling metric on  $N$ . Fix a regular leaf  $L$  of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Let  $X$  be a unit parallel normal vector field along  $L$ . For any  $p \in L$ , let  $\gamma(t)$  be the geodesic with  $\gamma(0) = p$  and  $\gamma'(0) = X(p)$ . Then  $\gamma$  is periodic with period  $2\pi$ . In fact  $\exp_q tX(q)$  is periodic for all  $q \in L$ . This implies that all holonomy Jacobi fields are periodic with period  $2\pi$ .

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We can prove:

(1) Periodicity of holonomy Jacobi fields implies that eigenvalues of  $R_t$  along  $\gamma(t)$  are squares of integers

$$0 \leq \lambda_1^2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n^2.$$

Let  $m = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$ . Then  $2m$  is the index of space of holonomy Jacobi fields along  $\gamma|_{[0,2\pi)}$ . By continuity of index, we see  $m$  is independent of  $p \in L$ .

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(2) Let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $\mathcal{V}_0$  where  $e_i$  is an eigenvector of  $R_0$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda_i^2$ . Let  $J_i(t)$  be the holonomy Jacobi vector field with  $J_i(0) = e_i$ . Let  $E_i(t)$  be the parallel translation of  $e_i$  along  $\gamma(t)$ . Let

$$f_p(t) := \det(\langle J_i(t), E_j(t) \rangle).$$

Then

$$f_p(t) = \sum_i a_i \sin(s_i t) + b_i \cos(s_i t)$$

where  $s_i = \lambda_1 \pm \lambda_2 \pm \dots \pm \lambda_n$ .

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(3) It follows that  $f_p$  lies in a space  $\mathcal{T}$  of functions with  $\dim \mathcal{T} = m + 1$ .

(4) Assume  $\gamma$  intersects singular leaves  $L_j$  at time  $t_j \in (0, \pi)$  for  $j = 1, \dots, k$ . Let  $m_j := \dim(L) - \dim(L_j)$ . Then  $\sum_{j=1}^k m_j = m$  and

$$f_p^{(d)}(t_j) = 0$$

for all  $d = 0, \dots, m_j - 1$  and  $j = 1, \dots, k$ . This gives a system of  $m$  linearly independent conditions on space  $\mathcal{T}$  which, together with condition  $f_p(0) = 1$ , uniquely determines  $f_p$ .

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(5) Note that  $t_j$  and  $m_j$  are determined by focal data of  $\exp tX : L \rightarrow N$ . By constancy of focal data,  $f_p(t)$  does not depend on  $p \in L$ .

(6) Since

$$f'_p(0) = f_p(0)\text{tr}(S_0) = - \langle H_p, X_p \rangle,$$

it follows that  $\langle H_p, X_p \rangle$  does not depend on  $p \in L$  for all parallel normal vector field  $X$ . So  $H$  is parallel along all regular leaves and  $\mathcal{F}$  is isoparametric.

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Second part of Theorem B is a splitting theorem for polar foliation. We would like to show that after splits off Euclidean factors, either  $N/\mathcal{F}$  is compact, or  $N$  is compact.

It follows from a combination of Lytchak's results that if  $(N, \mathcal{F})$  is an indecomposable polar foliation with spherical sections, then  $N$  has to be compact. So we only need to consider the hyperpolar case.

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Assume  $\mathcal{F}$  is a hyperpolar foliation on  $M$ . For  $p$  in the regular part of the foliation, let  $L_p$  be the leaf through  $p$ . Define

$$D(p) := \{v \in \nu_p L \mid R(\cdot, v)v \equiv 0\}.$$

Since  $M$  is a symmetric space with non-negative Ricci curvature,  $D(p)$  is always a vector space and defines an integrable totally geodesic distribution when  $p$  varies in the regular part of the foliation.

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Moreover, it follows that  $v \in D(p)$  is equivalent to  $\text{tr}R(\cdot, v)v = 0$ . It is also equivalent to the geodesic  $\exp(tv)$  intersecting singular leaves only finitely many times. The latter fact is proved by estimating index of the space of holonomy Jacobi fields using Riccati comparison theorem.

A section  $\Sigma$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  then splits as a product of two submanifolds  $\Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2$ , with  $\Sigma_1$  an integral submanifold of  $D$  and  $\Sigma_2$  perpendicular to  $D$ .

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Each hyperpolar foliation has a **Weyl group**  $W$  which is generated by reflections along affine hyperplanes of  $\Sigma$  called **walls** of  $W$ . One can show that the above splitting of  $\Sigma$  induce a splitting of  $W$  as well. To prove this, we need to use the fact that for any horizontal geodesic  $\gamma$  with  $\gamma(0) \in \Sigma_1 \cap \Sigma_2$ , it intersects walls of Weyl group  $W$  either finitely times when  $\gamma \subset \Sigma_1$  or infinitely many times when  $\gamma \not\subset \Sigma_1$ . So walls of  $W$  is divided into disjoint union of two sets, one has normal vectors tangent to  $\Sigma_1$ , another has normal vectors tangent to  $\Sigma_2$ . The decomposition of walls gives decomposition of  $W$ .

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Decomposition of the Weyl group implies the splitting of  $(N, \mathcal{F})$  into the product of two foliations  $(M_1, \mathcal{F}_1) \times (M_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ . (Terng, Heintze-Liu, Ewert, Silva-Speranca)

The first factor  $(M_1, \mathcal{F}_1)$ , which has  $\Sigma_1$  as a section, is an isoparametric foliation in Euclidean space (possibly times a trivial factor). The second factor  $(M_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ , which has  $\Sigma_2$  as a section, has the property that its leaf space  $M_2/\mathcal{F}_2$  is compact. Every horizontal geodesic  $\gamma(t)$  in  $M_2$  meets singular leaves infinitely many times in positive  $t$  direction.

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If leaves of  $(N, \mathcal{F})$  are compact, we can prove  $M_2$  is compact by contradiction:

In fact, if  $M_2$  is not compact, we have a splitting  $M_2 = M' \times \mathbb{R}^k$  for some  $k > 0$ . We then show the projection from a regular leaf  $L_2$  of  $\mathcal{F}_2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^k$  is a submersion. This is not possible if  $L_2$  is compact.

This completes the proof of Theorem B.

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**Thanks!**

# Antipodal sets of generalized $s$ -manifolds

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ABSTRACT. We introduce the notion of generalized  $s$ -manifold as a generalization of symmetric spaces. Then we study maximal antipodal sets of generalized  $s$ -manifolds. This is partly joint work with S. Ohno and Y. Terauchi.

## 1 Generalized $s$ -manifolds

A Riemannian symmetric space  $M$  is a Riemannian manifold which has a geodesic symmetry  $s_x$  at each point  $x \in M$ . The family  $\{s_x\}_{x \in M}$  of geodesic symmetries satisfies

$$s_x \circ s_y = s_{s_x(y)} \circ s_x \quad (1)$$

for all  $x, y \in M$ , that is, a Riemannian manifold  $M$  is a quandle. By generalizing (1) to (2), we define generalized  $s$ -manifolds as follows.

**Definition 1.** Let  $M$  be a smooth manifold and  $\Gamma$  a group. Let  $\{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M}$  be a family of group homomorphisms  $\varphi_x : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Diff}(M)$  from  $\Gamma$  to the diffeomorphism group  $\text{Diff}(M)$  of  $M$ . Then  $(\Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  is called a *generalized  $s$ -structure* on  $M$  if it satisfies the following conditions:

1. For each  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , the map  $\mu^\gamma : M \times M \rightarrow M; (x, y) \mapsto \varphi_x(\gamma)(y)$  is smooth. (When  $\Gamma$  is a Lie group,  $\mu : \Gamma \times M \times M \rightarrow M; (\gamma, x, y) \mapsto \varphi_x(\gamma)(y)$  is smooth.)
2. For each  $x \in M$ ,  $x$  is an isolated fixed point of the action of  $\varphi_x(\Gamma)$  on  $M$ , i.e.,  $x$  is isolated in  $F(\varphi_x(\Gamma), M) := \{y \in M \mid \varphi_x(\gamma)(y) = y \ (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)\}$ .
3. For any  $x, y \in M$  and  $\gamma, \delta \in \Gamma$ ,

$$\varphi_x(\gamma) \circ \varphi_y(\delta) \circ \varphi_x(\gamma)^{-1} = \varphi_{\varphi_x(\gamma)(y)}(\gamma\delta\gamma^{-1}) \quad (2)$$

holds.

When  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_2$ , a generalized  $s$ -manifold is just a symmetric space in the sense of Loos and Nagano. More generally, a regular  $s$ -manifold is a generalized  $s$ -manifold with  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}$ , in particular a  $k$ -symmetric space is a generalized  $s$ -manifold with  $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_k$  (cf. [2]). A  $\Gamma$ -symmetric space introduced by Lutz [3] is a generalized  $s$ -manifold with a finite abelian group  $\Gamma$ .

Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be  $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$  or  $\mathbb{H}$ . For  $n, n_1, \dots, n_r \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $n_1 + \dots + n_r < n$ , we consider a flag manifold

$$F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n) := \{x = (V_1, \dots, V_r) \mid V_1 \subset \dots \subset V_r \subset \mathbb{K}^n, \dim V_i = n_1 + \dots + n_i\}.$$

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The flag manifold  $F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n)$  has fibrations over Grassmannian manifolds. Symmetries of the Grassmannian manifolds induce a  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structure on  $F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n)$  with  $\Gamma = (\mathbb{Z}_2)^r$ . Furthermore, in [4], by using  $\Gamma$ -symmetric triples, we investigated  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structures on  $R$ -spaces, which is a natural generalization of symmetric  $R$ -spaces. We gave a necessary and sufficient condition for an  $R$ -space to admit a natural  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structure in terms of the root system. Then we classified  $R$ -spaces that admit natural  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structures, when the root system is irreducible.

## 2 Antipodal sets of generalized $s$ -manifolds

Chen and Nagano [1] studied antipodal sets of compact symmetric spaces. The definition of antipodal sets of compact symmetric spaces naturally extends to a generalized  $s$ -manifold  $(M, \Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$ .

**Definition 2.** A subset  $A$  of  $M$  is called an *antipodal set* if  $\varphi_x(\gamma)(y) = y$  holds for all  $x, y \in A$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , i.e.,  $y \in F(\varphi_x(\Gamma), M) := \{y \in M \mid \varphi_x(\gamma)(y) = y \ (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)\}$ . An antipodal set  $A$  of  $M$  is said to be *maximal* if  $A = A'$  holds for any antipodal set  $A'$  of  $M$  with  $A \subset A'$ . The supremum of the cardinalities of antipodal sets of  $M$ , denoted by  $\#_\Gamma M$ , is called the *antipodal number* of  $M$ . An antipodal set  $A$  is said to be *great* if its cardinality attains  $\#_\Gamma M$ .

**Theorem 1** (Ohno-S.-Terauchi). *Any maximal antipodal set of  $F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n)$  with respect to the  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structure with  $\Gamma \cong (\mathbb{Z}_2)^r$  is congruent to*

$$\begin{aligned} A = & \{ \langle \mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{i_{n_1}} \rangle_{\mathbb{K}}, \langle \mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{i_{n_1+n_2}} \rangle_{\mathbb{K}}, \dots, \langle \mathbf{e}_{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{i_{n_1+\dots+n_r}} \rangle_{\mathbb{K}} \} \\ & \mid 1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{n_1} \leq n, 1 \leq i_{n_1+1} < \dots < i_{n_1+n_2} \leq n, \dots, \\ & 1 \leq i_{n_1+\dots+n_{r-1}+1} < \dots < i_{n_1+\dots+n_r} \leq n, \\ & \#\{i_1, \dots, i_{n_1+\dots+n_r}\} = n_1 + \dots + n_r \}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n$  is the standard basis of  $\mathbb{K}^n$ .

Furthermore, in [4], we determined maximal antipodal sets of natural  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structures on  $R$ -spaces. More precisely, an  $R$ -space  $M$  can be realized as an orbit of the isotropy representation ( $s$ -representation) of a compact symmetric space  $G/K$ . Then any maximal antipodal set of the natural  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structure on  $M$  is given as an orbit of the Weyl group of  $G/K$ . Consequently we obtain that the antipodal number of  $M$  is the cardinality of the orbit of the Weyl group, hence it is equal to  $\dim H_*(M; \mathbb{Z}_2)$ . These are generalizations of results on maximal antipodal sets and the two-numbers of symmetric  $R$ -spaces by Tanaka–Tasaki [6] and Takeuchi [5].

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# Submanifolds of symmetric spaces and their time evolutions

# Introduction

## Antipodal sets of generalized $s$ -manifolds

## Symmetric space

### Definition (Loos, Nagano)

$M$  : **symmetric space**

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$  For each  $x \in M$ , there exists  $s_x \in \text{Diff}(M)$  s.t.

- ①  $\mu : M \times M \rightarrow M$ ;  $(x, y) \mapsto s_x(y)$  is smooth,
- ②  $s_x^2 = \text{id}_M$ ,
- ③  $x$  is isolated in  $F(s_x, M) := \{y \in M \mid s_x(y) = y\}$ ,
- ④  $s_x \circ s_y = s_{s_x(y)} \circ s_x \quad (\forall x, y \in M)$ .

e.g.

- Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$   $s_x(y) = -y + 2x$
- sphere  $S^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$   $s_x(y) = -y + 2\langle x, y \rangle x$

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## $\Gamma$ -symmetric spaces

### Definition (Lutz)

$M$  :  $C^\infty$ -manifold,  $\Gamma$  : finite abelian group

$\mu = \{\mu^\gamma : M \times M \rightarrow M \text{ smooth map} \mid \gamma \in \Gamma\}$

**$\Gamma$ -symmetric structure** on  $M$

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff}$

- ① For each  $x \in M$ 

$$\Gamma \rightarrow \text{Diff}(M); \gamma \mapsto \gamma_x := \mu^\gamma(x, \cdot)$$

is an injective homomorphism, i.e.  $\Gamma_x := \{\gamma_x \mid \gamma \in \Gamma\} \cong \Gamma$ .
- ② Every  $x$  is isolated in
$$F(\Gamma_x, M) := \{y \in M \mid \gamma_x(y) = y \ (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)\}.$$
- ③ For all  $x \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\gamma_x$  is an automorphism of  $\mu$ , i.e.
$$\mu^\delta(\gamma_x(y), \gamma_x(z)) = \gamma_x(\mu^\delta(y, z)) \quad (\forall y, z \in M, \delta \in \Gamma).$$

③  $\iff \delta_{\gamma_x(y)} \circ \gamma_x = \gamma_x \circ \delta_y \quad (\forall x, y \in M, \gamma, \delta \in \Gamma)$

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## Generalized $s$ -manifolds

### Definition (Ohno-S.)

$M : C^\infty$ -manifold,  $\Gamma : (\text{Lie})$  group

$(\Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M}) : \text{generalized } s\text{-structure on } M$   
 $\xLeftrightarrow{\text{def}}$

- ① For each  $x \in M$ ,  $\varphi_x : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Diff}(M)$  is a group homomorphism.
- ② For each  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ,  $\mu^\gamma : M \times M \rightarrow M; (x, y) \mapsto \varphi_x(\gamma)(y)$  is a smooth mapping. (In the case where  $\Gamma$  is a Lie group,  $\mu : \Gamma \times M \times M \rightarrow M; (\gamma, x, y) \mapsto \varphi_x(\gamma)(y)$  is smooth.)
- ③  $x$  is isolated in  $F(\varphi_x(\Gamma), M) := \{y \in M \mid \varphi_x(\gamma)(y) = y \ (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)\}$ .
- ④ For  $\forall x, y \in M$  and  $\forall \gamma, \delta \in \Gamma$   

$$\varphi_x(\gamma) \circ \varphi_y(\delta) \circ \varphi_x(\gamma)^{-1} = \varphi_{\varphi_x(\gamma)(y)}(\gamma\delta\gamma^{-1}).$$

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## Generalized $s$ -manifolds

For each  $x \in M$ ,  $\Gamma_x := \{\varphi_x(\gamma) \mid \gamma \in \Gamma\}$  is a subgroup of  $\text{Diff}(M)$ .

We call  $\Gamma_x$  the **symmetric transformation group** at  $x \in M$ .

### Remark

- $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_2 \implies (M, \Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  is a symmetric space
- $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_k \implies (M, \Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  is a  $k$ -symmetric space
- $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z} \implies (M, \Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  is a regular  $s$ -manifold
- $\Gamma$  is a finite abelian group  
 $\implies (M, \Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  is a  $\Gamma$ -symmetric space

## Antipodal sets of compact symmetric spaces

$M$  : compact Riemannian symmetric space

Definition (B.-Y. Chen-Nagano)

For  $x \in M$ , each connected component of the fixed point set

$$F(s_x, M) := \{y \in M \mid s_x(y) = y\}$$

of  $s_x$  is called a **polar**. An isolated polar is called a **pole**.

Definition (B.-Y. Chen-Nagano)

①  $A \subset M$  : **antipodal set**

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} s_x(y) = y \text{ for all } x, y \in A$$

②  $A \subset M$  : **maximal antipodal set**

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} A' \subset M : \text{antipodal set, } A \subset A' \implies A = A'$$

③  $\#_2 M := \sup\{\#A \mid A \subset M : \text{antipodal}\}$  **2-number**

④  $A \subset M$  : **great antipodal set**  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \#A = \#_2 M$

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## Antipodal sets of compact symmetric spaces

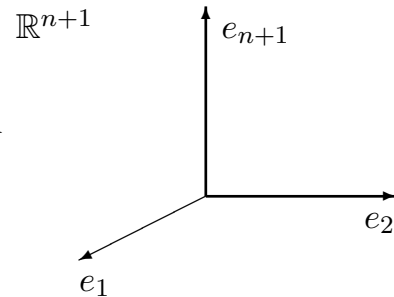
**Example:**

$$o = \langle e_1 \rangle \in \mathbb{R}P^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(s_o, \mathbb{R}P^n) &= \{o\} \cup \{x \in \mathbb{R}P^n \mid x \perp o\} \\ &\cong \{o\} \cup \mathbb{R}P^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \{\langle e_i \rangle \mid i = 1, \dots, n+1\}$$

$$\#_2 \mathbb{R}P^n = n+1 = \dim H_*(\mathbb{R}P^n, \mathbb{Z}_2)$$



Theorem (Takeuchi)

$$M : \text{symmetric } R\text{-space} \implies \#_2 M = \dim H_*(M, \mathbb{Z}_2)$$



## Antipodal sets of generalized $s$ -manifolds

$(\Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  : generalized  $s$ -structure on  $M$ .

### Definition

For  $x \in M$ , a connected component of the fixed point set

$$F(\varphi_x(\Gamma), M) := \{y \in M \mid \varphi_x(\gamma)(y) = y \ (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)\}$$

is called a **polar**. An isolated polar is called a **pole**.

### Definition

①  $A \subset M$  : **antipodal set**

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \varphi_x(\gamma)(y) = y \text{ for all } x, y \in A \text{ and } \gamma \in \Gamma$$

②  $A \subset M$  : **maximal antipodal set**

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} A' \subset M : \text{antipodal set, } A \subset A' \implies A = A'$$

③  $\#_\Gamma M := \sup\{\#A \mid A \subset M : \text{antipodal}\}$  **antipodal number**

④  $A \subset M$  : **great antipodal set**  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} \#A = \#_\Gamma M$

Antipodal sets of generalized  $s$ -manifolds

## Flag manifolds

$\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C} \text{ or } \mathbb{H}$

$n, n_1, \dots, n_r \in \mathbb{N}$  satisfying  $n_1 + \dots + n_r < n$

$$F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n) := \left\{ x = (V_1, \dots, V_r) \left| \begin{array}{l} V_1 \subset V_2 \subset \dots \subset V_r \subset \mathbb{K}^n \\ \dim V_i = n_1 + \dots + n_i \ (\forall i) \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

For  $x = (V_1, \dots, V_r) \in F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n)$ , define

$$s_{V_i} = 2P_{V_i} - \text{id}_{\mathbb{K}^n} : \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{K}^n \quad (i = 1, \dots, r),$$

where  $P_{V_i} : \mathbb{K}^n \rightarrow V_i$  is the orthogonal projection. Then

$$s_{V_i} \in \text{Diff}(M), \quad s_{V_i}^2 = \text{id}_M, \quad s_{V_i} \circ s_{V_j} = s_{V_j} \circ s_{V_i}.$$

Hence  $(\mathbb{Z}_2)^r \cong \langle s_{V_1}, \dots, s_{V_r} \rangle \subset \text{Diff}(M)$ .

Therefore  $F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{K}^n)$  is a generalized  $s$ -manifold with  $\Gamma = (\mathbb{Z}_2)^r$ .

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## Kähler $C$ -spaces

$G$  : compact connected semisimple Lie group

$x_0 (\neq 0) \in \mathfrak{g}$

$M := \text{Ad}(G)x_0 \subset \mathfrak{g}$  : **Kähler  $C$ -space**

$\cong G/G_{x_0}$

$G_{x_0} := \{g \in G \mid \text{Ad}(g)x_0 = x_0\}$

$Z(G_{x_0}) := \{g \in G_{x_0} \mid gh = hg \ (\forall h \in G_{x_0})\}$

For each  $x = \text{Ad}(g_x)x_0 \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , define

$\varphi_x(\gamma) : M \rightarrow M; y \mapsto \text{Ad}(g_x \gamma g_x^{-1})y,$

$\varphi_x : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Diff}(G/K); \gamma \mapsto \varphi_x(\gamma).$

Then  $(\Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in M})$  is a  $G$ -equivariant generalized  $s$ -structure.

Moreover  $M$  has  $k$ -symmetric structures for  $\forall k \geq \exists k_0$ ,  
i.e. generalized  $s$ -structures with  $\Gamma \cong \mathbb{Z}_k$ .

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## Maximal antipodal sets of Kähler $C$ -spaces

$M = \text{Ad}(G)x_0$  : a Kähler  $C$ -space with  $\Gamma = Z(G_{x_0})$

**Proposition (Ikawa-Iriyeh-Okuda-S.-Tasaki)**

① For  $x, y \in M$

$y$  is antipodal to  $x \iff [x, y] = 0$

②  $A \subset M$  : maximal antipodal set

$\implies \exists \mathfrak{t} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  : maximal abelian subalgebra

s.t.  $A = M \cap \mathfrak{t}.$

Hence  $A$  is an orbit of the Weyl group of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with respect to  $\mathfrak{t}$ .  
In particular, any maximal antipodal sets of  $M$  are congruent with each other by  $G$ .

## Generalized $s$ -structures on complex flag manifolds

$F_{n_1, \dots, n_k}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  is realized as an adjoint orbit of  $G = \mathrm{SU}(n)$ :

$$F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{C}^n) \cong \mathrm{SU}(n) / (\mathrm{S}(\mathrm{U}(n_1) \times \cdots \times \mathrm{U}(n_{r+1}))) = G/G_{x_0}$$

### Observation

①  $F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  admits  $\Gamma$ -symmetric structures with

$$\Gamma = (\mathbb{Z}_2)^r, \quad \Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_k \ (k \geq k_0), \quad \Gamma = Z(G_{x_0}).$$

② Maximal antipodal sets of  $F_{n_1, \dots, n_r}(\mathbb{C}^n)$  for these three generalized  $s$ -structures coincide, that is an orbit of the Weyl group of  $\mathrm{SU}(n)$ .

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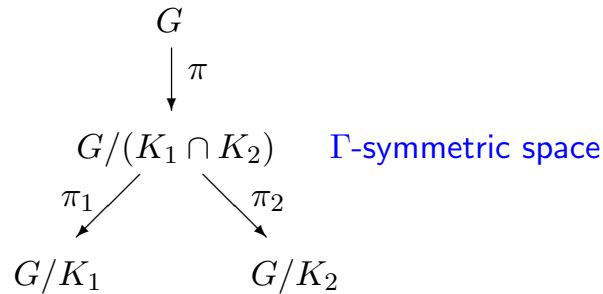
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## Compact symmetric triads

$(G, K_1, K_2)$  : compact symmetric triad

i.e.  $(G, K_1, \sigma_1), (G, K_2, \sigma_2)$  : compact symmetric pairs

$\Gamma := \langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \rangle \subset \mathrm{Aut}(G)$



- $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 \implies \Gamma \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$
- $\sigma_1 \neq \sigma_2, \sigma_1\sigma_2 = \sigma_2\sigma_1 \implies \Gamma \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$
- $\sigma_1\sigma_2 \neq \sigma_2\sigma_1 \implies \Gamma = \langle \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \rangle$  is a non-abelian group

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## Definition (Lutz, Goze-Remm, Ohno-S.-Terauchi)

$$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\iff} G : \text{connected Lie group}$$
 $K \subset G$  : closed subgroup    s.t.

where  $F(\Gamma, G) := \{g \in G \mid \gamma(g) = g \ (\forall \gamma \in \Gamma)\}$ .

For each  $x = g_x K \in G/K$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , define

$$\varphi_x : \Gamma \rightarrow \text{Diff}(G/K); \gamma \rightarrow \varphi_x(\gamma).$$


Then  $(\Gamma, \{\varphi_x\}_{x \in G/K})$  is a  $G$ -equivariant generalized  $s$ -structure on  $G/K$ .

## Antipodal sets of generalized $s$ -manifolds

$P = G/K$  : simply-connected compact symmetric space  
 where  $G := \text{Isom}(P)_0$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{p}$$

$$\mathcal{R} \subset \mathfrak{a}^* : \text{root system of } (G, K) \text{ with respect to } \mathfrak{a}$$
$$\{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_r\} : \text{basis of } \mathfrak{a} \text{ dual to } \Sigma$$
$$g_i := \exp(\pi \xi_i) \in G, \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma^i := \text{Int}_G(g_i)|_K \in \text{Aut}(K).$$

Note  $\gamma^i \gamma^i = \text{id}_K$ ,  $\gamma^i \neq \text{id}_K$ ,  $\gamma^i \gamma^j = \gamma^j \gamma^i$  for all  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, r\}$ , hence  $(\mathbb{Z}_2)^r \cong \langle \gamma^i : i = 1, \dots, r \rangle \subset \text{Aut}(K)$ . 

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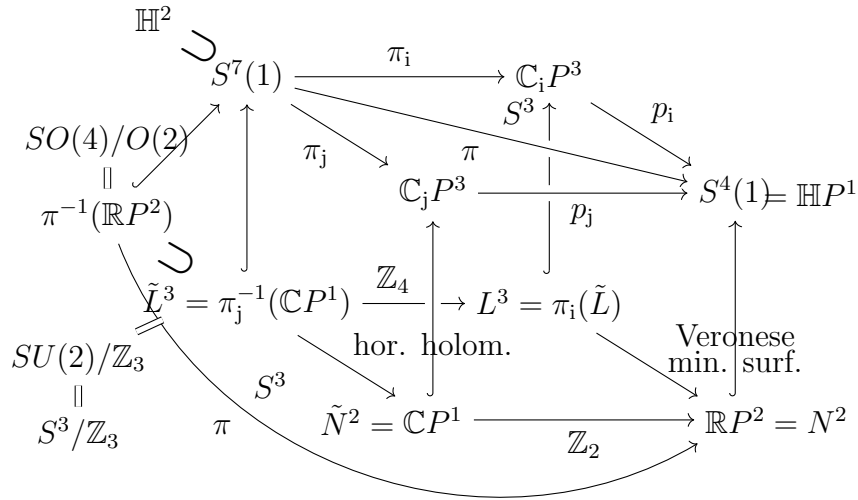
# Higher dimensional generalization of the Chiang Lagrangian and totally complex submanifolds

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ABSTRACT. We will discuss a higher dimensional generalization of Chiang's Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{C}P^3$  from the viewpoint of totally complex submanifolds of  $\mathbb{H}P^n$ .

## 1 The Chiang Lagrangian

The *Chiang Lagrangian* is a compact embedded minimal Lagrangian submanifold  $L^3$  of  $\mathbb{C}P^3$  given as an  $SU(2)$ -orbit by the moment map method (R. Chiang [1]). It is known to be a non-symmetric homogeneous space and a strictly Hamiltonian stable with non-parallel second fundamental form ([3], [5]), and so on ([6], [4]). The Chiang Lagrangian  $L^3$  is involved with several nice structures illustrated in the following diagram:



Here  $\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R}1 + \mathbb{R}i + \mathbb{R}j + \mathbb{R}k$  is the quaternion number field with quaternionic imaginary units  $\{i, j, k\}$  and  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}$  is considered as an  $(n+1)$ -dimensional quaternionic vector space with the rightmultiplication of quaternionic numbers.

## 2 Totally complex submanifolds and $R$ -spaces

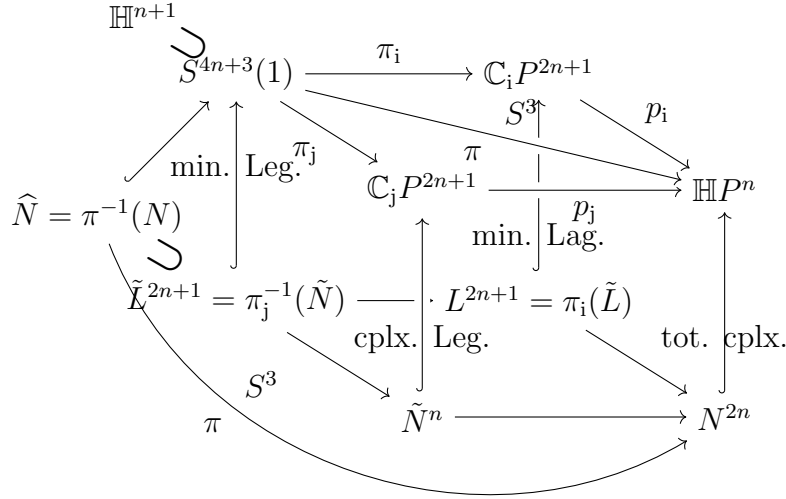
We use the concept of “totally complex submanifolds” of a quaternionic projective space  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  (e.g. [7]) in order to generalize the above diagram into the higher dimensional setting. A submanifold of  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  is called a *totally complex submanifold* if  $N$  can be

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locally lifted to a *twistor space*  $\mathbb{C}P^{2n+1}$  over  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  as a complex Legendrian submanifold. We have  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} N \leq 2n$ . If  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} = 2n$ , then  $N$  is said to be *of maximal dimension*.

**Main Theorem 1.** *The above diagram can be generalized into higher dimensions as follows:*



Totally complex submanifolds of  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  with parallel second fundamental form have been classified by Kazumi Tsukada [7].

**Theorem 1** (Tsukada [7]). *Any  $n$ -dimensional totally complex submanifold  $\tilde{N}$  in  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  with parallel second fundamental form is locally congruent to one of canonically immersed totally complex submanifolds:*

- (0)  $\mathbb{C}P^1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}P^2 \subset S^4 = \mathbb{H}P^1$  (*Veronese min surf.*),
- (1)  $\mathbb{C}P^n \subset \mathbb{H}P^n$  (*totally geodesic*),
- (2)  $Sp(3)/U(3) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^6$ ,
- (3)  $SU(6)/S(U(3) \times U(3)) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^9$ ,
- (4)  $SO(12)/U(6) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^{15}$ ,
- (5)  $E_7/E_6 \cdot T^1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^{27}$ ,
- (6)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}/2) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^2$ ,
- (7)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^3$ ,
- (8)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \frac{SO(n+1)}{SO(2) \times SO(n-1)} \longrightarrow \mathbb{H}P^n \quad (n \geq 4)$ .

An  $R$ -space is a compact homogeneous space obtained as an orbit of the isotropy representation of a Riemannian symmetric space, i.e. a so-called  $s$ -representaion. Olmos-Sánchez [8] showed the differential geometric characterization of  $R$ -spaces by means of

the parallelism of the second fundamental form with respect to a *canonical connection*. By constructing explicitly such a canonical connection on the inverse image  $\hat{N} = \pi^{-1}(N)$ , we can obtain the following theorem.

**Main Theorem 2.** *Assume that  $N$  is a  $2n$ -dimensional totally complex submanifold of  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  with parallel second fundamental form. Then its inverse image  $\hat{N} = \pi^{-1}(N) \subset S^{4n+3}(1) \subset \mathbb{H}^{n+1}$  is a standardly embedded  $R$ -space associated to a quaternion-Kähler symmetric pair  $(G, K)$ .*

	totally cplx. imm. $\tilde{N}$	q. K. symm. sp. $G/K$	$\Pi(G, K)$
$\mathbb{H}P^1$	$\mathbb{C}P^1$	$\frac{G_2}{(Sp(1) \times Sp(1))/\mathbb{Z}_2}$	$G_2$
$\mathbb{H}P^n$	$\mathbb{C}P^n$ (totally geodesic)	$\frac{SU(n+3)}{S(U(2) \times U(n+1))}$	$B_2$
$\mathbb{H}P^6$	$\frac{Sp(3)}{U(3)}$	$\frac{F_4}{(Sp(3) \times Sp(1))/\mathbb{Z}_2}$	$F_4$
$\mathbb{H}P^9$	$\frac{SU(6)}{S(U(3) \times U(3))}$	$\frac{E_6}{(SU(6) \times Sp(1))/\mathbb{Z}_2}$	$F_4$
$\mathbb{H}P^{15}$	$\frac{SO(12)}{U(6)}$	$\frac{E_7}{(Spin(12) \times SU(2))/\mathbb{Z}_2}$	$F_4$
$\mathbb{H}P^{27}$	$\frac{E_7}{(U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbb{Z}_3}$	$\frac{E_8}{(E_7 \times SU(2))/\mathbb{Z}_2}$	$F_4$
$\mathbb{H}P^2$	$\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}/2)$	$\frac{SO(7)}{SO(4) \times SO(3)} \quad (n=2)$	$B_3$
$\mathbb{H}P^3$	$\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c})$	$\frac{SO(8)}{SO(4) \times SO(4)} \quad (n=3)$	$D_4$
$\mathbb{H}P^n$	$\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \frac{SO(n+1)}{SO(2) \times SO(n-1)}$	$\frac{SO(n+5)}{SO(4) \times SO(n+1)} \quad (n \geq 4)$	$B_4$

Here  $\Pi(G, K)$  denotes the Dynkin diagram of the restricted root systems of symmetric pair  $(G, K)$ .

It gives a new proof of Theorem 1 different from [7].

In the case when  $G/K = \frac{G_2}{(Sp(1) \times Sp(1))/\mathbb{Z}_2}$ , we have  $n = 1$ ,  $N^2$  is a Veronese minimal surface of  $\mathbb{H}P^1 = S^4$  and  $L^3 = \pi_1(\tilde{L})$  is nothing but the Chiang Lagrangian in  $\mathbb{C}P^3$ .

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# Higher dimensional generalization of the Chiang Lagrangian and totally complex submanifolds

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## R. Chiang Lagrangian submanifolds

### Definition (IMRN, 2004)

The Chiang Lagrangian submanifold  $L^3 \subset \mathbb{C}P^3$  is defined by

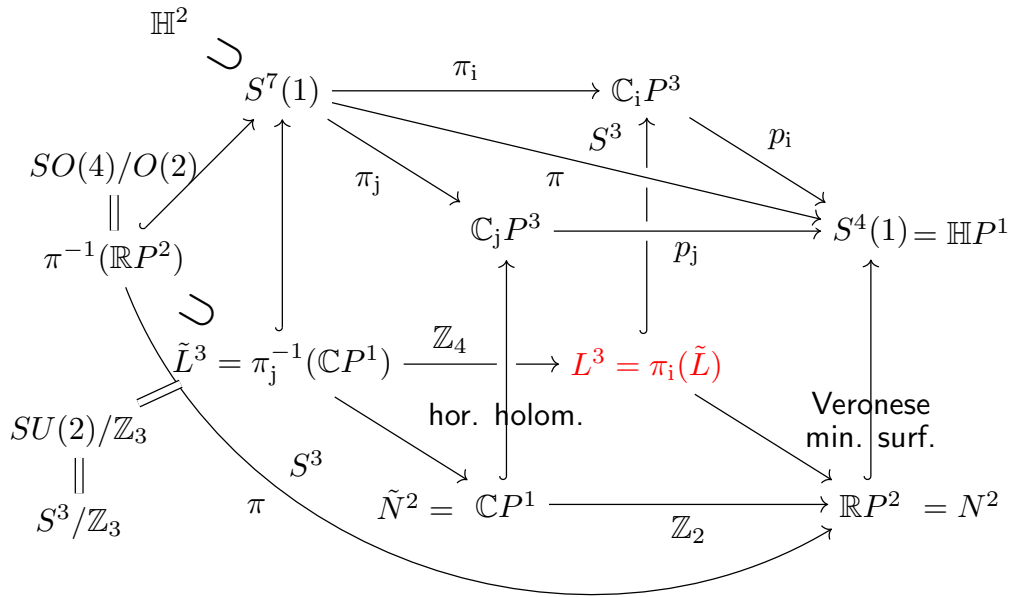
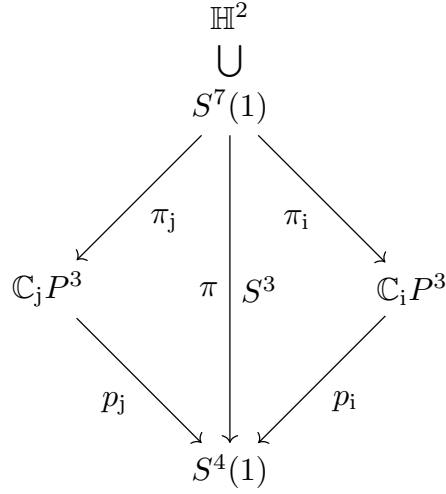
$$L^3 := \left\{ [z_0 : z_1 : z_2 : z_3] \in \mathbb{C}P^3 \mid \begin{array}{l} 3|z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 - |z_2|^2 - 3|z_3|^2 = 0 \\ z_0\bar{z}_1 + z_1\bar{z}_2 + z_2\bar{z}_3 = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

- minimal Lagrangian  $SU(2)$  orbit  $L^3 = \rho(SU(2))[1 : 0 : 0 : 1]$ .
- conn. cpt. embedded minimal Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{C}P^3$ .
- $L^3$  does not possess parallel second fundamental forms.  $\nabla^* \alpha^N \neq 0$
- Homogeneous space but not symmetric space.
- Curvature characterization  
(B. Y. Chen, Dillen, Verstraelen, Vrancken, Bolton, 1996)
- Strictly Hamiltonian stable (Ohnita, Bedulli-Gori, 2007)
- Floer homology (Evans-Lekili, 2015), min.Maslov number of  $L^3 = 2$

$$\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R} + \mathbb{R}i + \mathbb{R}j + \mathbb{R}k$$

$$\mathbb{C}_i := \mathbb{R} + i\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{H}, \quad \mathbb{C}_j := \mathbb{R} + j\mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{H}$$

We consider the following diagram:



- $\mathbb{C}P^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_j P^3$  : Veronese embedding of degree 3.
- $\tilde{L}^3 \subset S^7(1)$  : minimal Legendrian submanifold embedded in  $S^7(1)$

## Higher dimensional generalization

Let  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1} \cong \mathbb{R}^{4n+4}$  be an  $(n+1)$ -dimensional quaternionic vector space with right multiplications by  $i, j, k$ . We consider the following standard fibrations:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \mathbb{H}^{n+1} & & \\
 & & \cup & & \\
 & & S^{4n+1}(1) & & \\
 \pi_j \swarrow & & \downarrow \pi & \searrow \pi_i & \\
 S^1 & & S^3 & & S^1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1} & & \mathbb{H} P^n & & \mathbb{C}_i P^{2n+1} \\
 p_j \swarrow & & \downarrow & \searrow p_i & \\
 & & \mathbb{H} P^n & & 
 \end{array}$$

(Note: The diagram above is a simplified representation of the complex structure shown in the image. The actual diagram includes additional labels  $S^1, S^2, S^3$  on the edges and a central vertical arrow labeled  $\pi$ .)

Then  $\mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1}$  has the standard complex contact structure and the holomorphic contact 1-form on  $\mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1}$ .

Suppose that  $\tilde{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1}$  is a horizontal holomorphic immersion of an  $n$ -dimensional complex manifolds  $\tilde{N}$ , that is, a complex Legendrian submanifold of  $\mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1}$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \mathbb{H}^{n+1} & & \\
 & & \cup & & \\
 & & S^{4n+1}(1) & & \\
 \pi_j \swarrow & & \downarrow \pi & \searrow \pi_i & \\
 S^1 & & S^3 & & S^1 \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \tilde{N} \xrightarrow{\text{cplx. Leg.}} \mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1} & & \mathbb{H} P^n & & \mathbb{C}_i P^{2n+1} \\
 p_j \swarrow & & \downarrow & \searrow p_i & \\
 & & \mathbb{H} P^n & & 
 \end{array}$$



## Totally complex submanifold

Let  $(M^{4n}, g, Q)$  be a quaternionic Kähler manifold.  $g$  is the Riemannian metric on  $M$  and  $Q$  is a rank 3 subbundle of  $\text{End } TM$  which satisfies the following conditions:

For each  $p \in M$ , there is a neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  over which there exists a local frame field  $\{I, J, K\}$  of  $Q$  satisfying

$$I^2 = J^2 = K^2 = -\text{id},$$

$$IJ = -JI = K, JK = -KJ = I, KI = -IK = J.$$

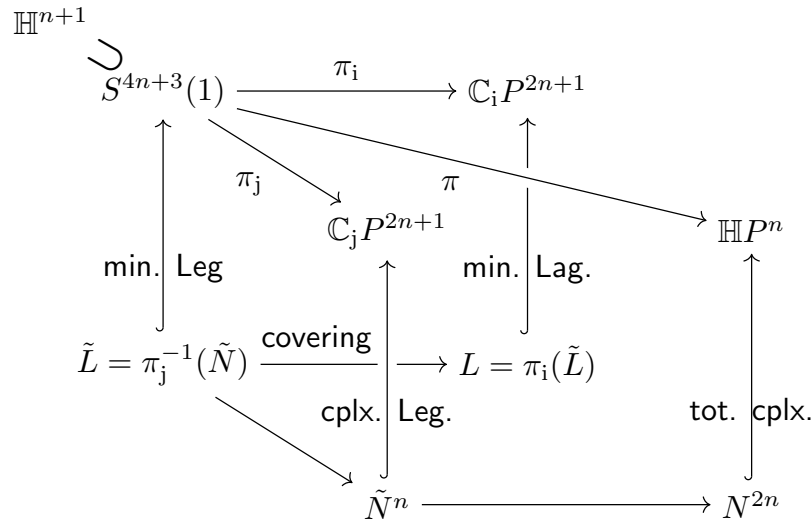
### Definition

A submanifold  $N^{2k} \subset (M^{4n}, g, Q)$  ( $k \leq n$ ) is said to be totally complex if, for every  $p \in N$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $q$  in  $N$  and sections  $J$  of  $Q|_U$  such that the following properties hold:

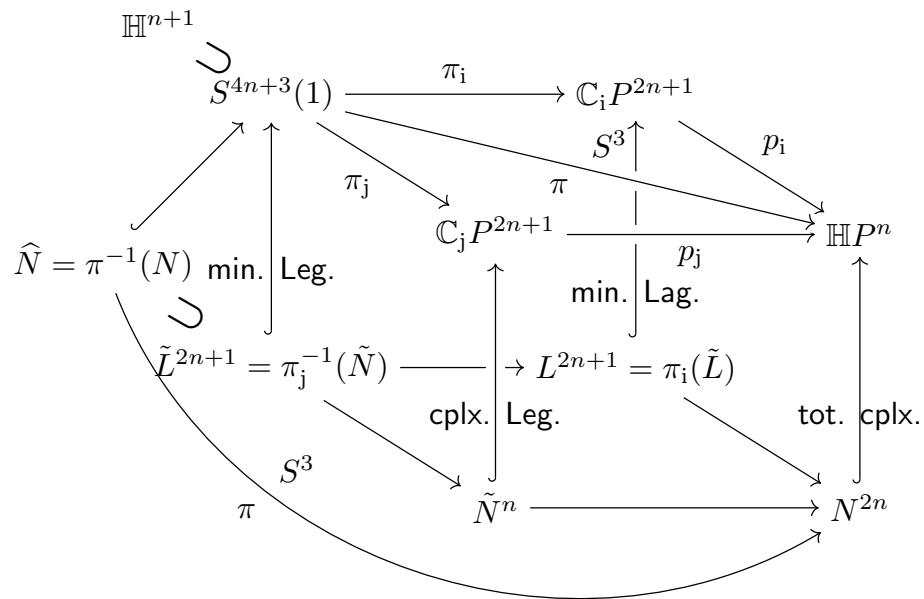
- (1)  $J(TU) = TU$ ,
- (2)  $J^2 = -\text{id}$ ,
- (3)  $I(T_q N) \subseteq T_q^\perp N$  for every  $q \in U$  and  $I \in Q_q$  such that  $J_q I = -I J_q$ ,
- (4)  $\nabla J = 0$ .

$\iff N$  has cplx. Leg. submanifolds to twister space  $\mathcal{Z}$ .

A horizontal holomorphic map  $\tilde{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1}$  of  $n$ -dimensional complex manifold  $\tilde{N}$  corresponds to a maximal dimensional totally complex immersion  $\tilde{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^n$ .

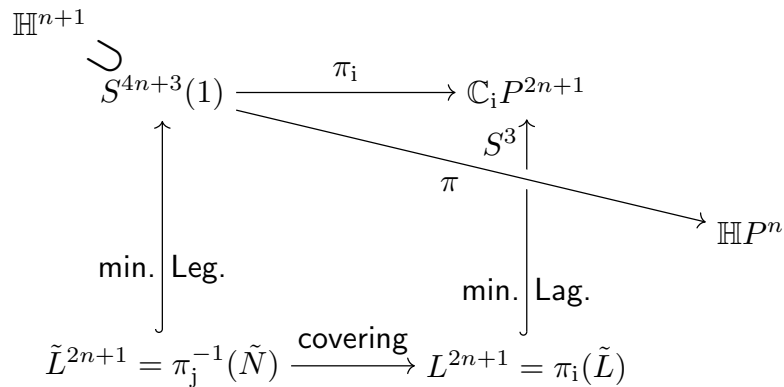


## Theorem



We use the standard Riemannian fibration  $\pi_i$ . Then  $\tilde{L}^{2n+1} \rightarrow S^{4n+3}(1)$  is a minimal Legendrian immersion relative to  $I$ .

Therefore,  $\tilde{L}^{2n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_i P^{2n+1}$  is a minimal Lagrangian immersion relative to  $J$ , which has the  $S^1$ -action induced by the orthogonal complex structure  $I$ .



**Theorem (Tsukada, 1985)**

Any  $n$ -dimensional totally complex submanifold  $\tilde{N}$  in  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  with parallel second fundamental form is locally congruent to one of the following immersed totally complex submanifolds:

- (0)  $\mathbb{C}P^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}P^2 \subset S^4 = \mathbb{H}P^1$  Veronese min surf.
- (1)  $\mathbb{C}P^n \subset \mathbb{H}P^n$  totally geodesic
- (2)  $Sp(3)/U(3) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^6$
- (3)  $SU(6)/S(U(3) \times U(3)) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^9$
- (4)  $SO(12)/U(6) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^{15}$
- (5)  $E_7/((U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbb{Z}_3) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^{27}$
- (6)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}/2) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^2$
- (7)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^3$
- (8)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \frac{SO(n+1)}{SO(2) \times SO(n-1)} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}P^n \quad (n \geq 4)$

All of those totally complex submanifolds are obtained from the following compact homogeneous complex Legendrian submanifolds embedded in  $\mathbb{C}P^{2n+1}$ .

- (1)  $\mathbb{C}P^n \subset \mathbb{C}P^{2n+1}$
- (2)  $Sp(3)/U(3) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{13}$
- (3)  $SU(6)/S(U(3) \times U(3)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{19}$
- (4)  $SO(12)/U(6) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{31}$
- (5)  $E_7/(U(1) \times E_6)/\mathbb{Z}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{55}$
- (6)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}/2) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^5$
- (7)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^7$
- (8)  $\mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times \frac{SO(n+1)}{SO(2) \times SO(n-1)} = \mathbb{C}P^1(\tilde{c}) \times Q_{n-1}(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{2n+1}$   
( $n \geq 4$ )

## Quaternionic Symmetric space

A Riemannian manifold  $M$  is called a quaternionic symmetric space if  $M$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $M$  is a quaternionic Kähler manifold with quaternionic structure  $Q$ .
- (ii)  $M$  is a symmetric space.
- (iii)  $Q_p$  is contained in the linear holonomy group for some point  $p$  in  $M$ .

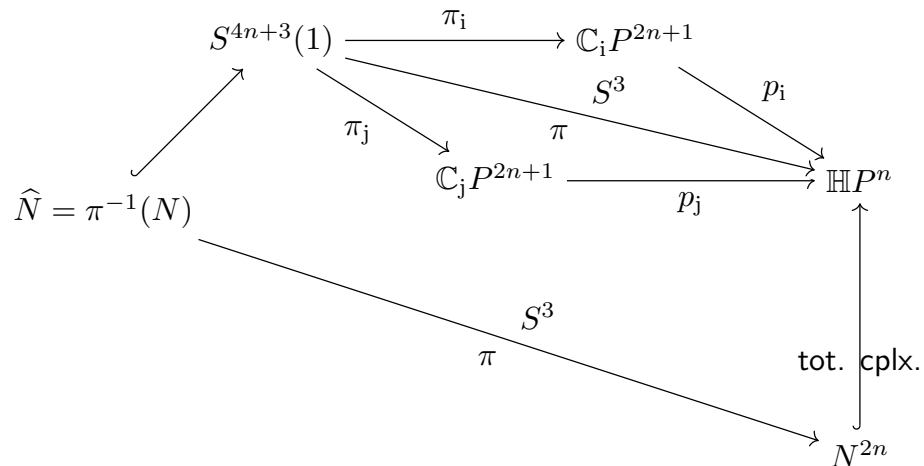
$G$	$K$	$\dim M = G/K$
$Sp(n+1)$	$Sp(n) \times Sp(1)$	$4n$
$SU(n+3)$	$S(U((n+1) \times U(2)))$	$4n$
$SO(n+5)$	$SO(n+1) \times SO(4)$	$4n$
$G_2$	$(Sp(1) \times Sp(1))/\mathbb{Z}_2$	$8$
$F_4$	$(Sp(3) \times Sp(1))/\mathbb{Z}_2$	$28$
$E_6$	$(SU(6) \times SU(2))/\mathbb{Z}_2$	$40$
$E_7$	$(Spin(12) \times SU(2))/\mathbb{Z}_2$	$64$
$E_8$	$(E_7 \times SU(2))/\mathbb{Z}_2$	$112$

### Theorem

Suppose that  $N^{2n} \subset \mathbb{H}P^n$  is a totally complex submanifold with  $\nabla^* \alpha^N = 0$ .

Then its inverse image  $\hat{N}^{2n+3} = \pi^{-1}(N) \subset S^{4n+3}$  is an “R-space” associated to a quaternionic symmetric space  $G/K$  with  $\nabla^* \alpha^{\hat{N}} \neq 0$ .

- $\hat{N} = \pi^{-1}(N) \subset S^{4n+3}$  is a singular orbit of a quaternionic symmetric space  $G/K$ .



### Definition

Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold and  $\nabla$  Levi-Civita connection of  $g$ . A linear connection  $\nabla^c$  on  $M$  is called a **canonical connection** if it satisfies:

$$(1) \quad \nabla^c g = 0,$$

$$(2) \quad \nabla^c D = 0,$$

where  $D := \nabla - \nabla^c$ .

### Theorem (Olmos-Sánchez, 1991)

Let  $M$  be a connected compact Riemannian submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $\alpha$  be its second fundamental form. Then the following three statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $M$  admits a canonical connection  $\nabla^c$  satisfyin  $\nabla^c \alpha = 0$ .
- (2)  $M$  is a homogeneous submanifold with constant principal curvatures.
- (3)  $M$  is a standard embedding of an  $R$ -space.

On  $\hat{N} = \pi^{-1}(N)$ , there exist  $\nabla^c := \nabla - D$  such that

$$\nabla^c \alpha^{\hat{N}} = 0, \quad \nabla^c D = 0.$$

From Olmos-Sánchez's result we obtain that  $\hat{N}$  is an  $R$ -space associated to a quaternionic symmetric space  $G/K$ .

We can explicitly construct a tensor field  $D$  of type  $(1, 2)$  on  $\hat{N}$ .

Suppose that  $N$  is a totally complex submanifold of  $\mathbb{H}P^n$ .

For each  $x \in \hat{N}$ ,  $I_{\pi(x)}^N, J_{\pi(x)}^N, K_{\pi(x)}^N \in \mathbb{C}_j P^{2n+1}$  satisfies

$$I_{\pi(x)}^N(T_{\pi(x)}N) \perp T_{\pi(x)}N, \quad J_{\pi(x)}^N(T_{\pi(x)}N) = T_{\pi(x)}N, \quad K_{\pi(x)}^N \perp T_{\pi(x)}N.$$

There are  $\lambda_1(x), \lambda_2(x), \lambda_3(x) \in Sp(1)$  such that

$$I_{\pi(x)}^N(x) = x\lambda_1(x), \quad J_{\pi(x)}^N(x) = x\lambda_2(x), \quad K_{\pi(x)}^N(x) = x\lambda_3(x).$$

We define a tensor field  $D$  of type  $(1, 2)$  as follow:

At  $\mathbf{x} \in \hat{N}$ , for each  $X, Y \in T_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}N$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{V}_x\hat{N}$ ,  $v_1, v_2, v_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

- $D_{\tilde{X}}(\tilde{Y}) = \langle (\widetilde{J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N X}), \tilde{Y} \rangle J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N(\mathbf{x}) = g_N(J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N X, Y) J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{x}}\hat{N}$ ,
- $D_{\tilde{X}}(V) = v_2 \tilde{X} \lambda_2(\mathbf{x}) = -v_2 (\widetilde{J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N X}) \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{x}}\hat{N} \quad (\forall V = \mathbf{x} \left( \sum_{a=1}^3 v_a \lambda_a(\mathbf{x}) \right))$ ,
- $D_V(\tilde{X}) = \frac{v_2}{2} \tilde{X} \lambda_2(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{v_2}{2} (\widetilde{J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N X}) \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{x}}\hat{N} \quad (\forall V = \mathbf{x} \left( \sum_{a=1}^3 v_a \lambda_a(\mathbf{x}) \right))$ ,
- $D_U(V) = \mathbf{x} \left\{ (v_2 u_3 + \frac{1}{2} v_3 u_2) \lambda_1(\mathbf{x}) + (v_3 u_1 - v_1 u_3) \lambda_2(\mathbf{x}) \right. \\ \left. + (-\frac{1}{2} v_1 u_2 - v_2 u_1) \lambda_3(\mathbf{x}) \right\} \\ = \mathbf{x} \begin{vmatrix} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \\ u_1 & -\frac{1}{2} u_2 & u_3 \\ \lambda_1(\mathbf{x}) & \lambda_2(\mathbf{x}) & \lambda_3(\mathbf{x}) \end{vmatrix} \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{x}}\hat{N}.$

Here note that

$$(\widetilde{J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N X})_{\mathbf{x}} = (J_{\pi(\mathbf{x})}^N X)(\mathbf{x}) = -(\tilde{X})_{\mathbf{x}} \lambda_2(\mathbf{x}).$$

For each  $w_1, w_2, w_3 \in T\hat{N}$

#### Lemma

- $g_{\hat{N}}(D_{w_2}, w_3) + g_{\hat{N}}(w_2, D_{w_1} w_3) = 0 \quad \text{i.e. } \nabla^c g = 0$
- $\nabla^{\hat{N}} D = D \cdot D \quad \text{i.e. } \nabla^c D = 0$

#### Lemma

Suppose that  $N$  is a  $2n$ -dimensional totally complex submanifold of  $\mathbb{H}P^n$  with parallel second fundamental form. Then the second fundamental form  $\alpha^{\hat{N}}$  of  $\hat{N}$  satisfies the equation

$$\nabla_{w_1}^* \alpha^{\hat{N}}(w_2, w_3) + \alpha^{\hat{N}}(D_{w_1} w_2, w_3) + \alpha^{\hat{N}}(w_2, D_{w_1} w_3) = 0.$$

i.e.  $\nabla^c \alpha^{\hat{N}} = 0$

$$(G, K) = (G_2, SO(4))$$

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# Minimal PF submanifolds in Hilbert spaces with symmetries

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There are several kinds of minimal submanifolds which have certain symmetries. A submanifold  $M$  of a Riemannian manifold  $N$  is called *austere* ([1]) if for each normal vector  $\xi$  the eigenvalues with multiplicities of the shape operator  $A_\xi$  is invariant under the multiplication by  $(-1)$ .  $M$  is called *reflective* ([3]) if it is a connected component of the fixed point set of an involutive isometry of  $N$ .  $M$  is called *weakly reflective* ([2]) if for each normal vector  $\xi$  at each  $p \in M$  there exists an isometry  $\nu_\xi$  of  $N$  satisfying the conditions  $\nu_\xi(p) = p$ ,  $d\nu_\xi(\xi) = -\xi$  and  $\nu_\xi(M) = M$ . From these definitions we have

$$\text{reflective} \Rightarrow \text{weakly reflective} \Rightarrow \text{austere} \Rightarrow \text{minimal}.$$

It is an interesting problem to classify or give examples of these minimal submanifolds.

A fundamental class of submanifolds in Hilbert spaces is given by *proper Fredholm* (PF) submanifolds in Hilbert spaces ([6]). Roughly speaking they are submanifolds in Hilbert spaces where the shape operators are compact operators and the distance functions are compatible with the Palais-Smale condition. Many examples of PF submanifolds are obtained through a Riemannian submersion  $\Phi_K : V_{\mathfrak{g}} \rightarrow G/K$  which is called the *parallel transport map* ([7]). Here  $G/K$  is a compact normal homogeneous space and  $V_{\mathfrak{g}} := L^2([0, 1], \mathfrak{g})$  the Hilbert space of all  $L^2$ -paths with values in the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  of  $G$ . It is known that if  $M$  is a compact submanifold of  $G/K$  then the inverse image  $\Phi_K^{-1}(M)$  is a PF submanifold of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

In my talk I will introduced the concept of reflective submanifolds, weakly reflective submanifolds and austere submanifolds into the class of PF submanifolds in Hilbert spaces and show that under suitable condition if  $M$  is a weakly reflective submanifold of  $G/K$  then the inverse image  $\Phi_K^{-1}(M)$  is a weakly reflective PF submanifold of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

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## Minimal PF submanifolds in Hilbert spaces with symmetries

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## Overview

$M \hookrightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$   
submanifold      Euclidean sp.



$M \hookrightarrow N$   
submanifold      Riemannian mfd  
(finite dim)



$M \hookrightarrow V$   
submanifold      Hilbert sp.  
(infinite dim)

minimal submanifold with symmetry

- reflective submanifold
- weakly reflective submanifold
- austere submanifold



we **define** and **study**

- reflective submanifold
- weakly reflective submanifold
- austere submanifold

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## Plan

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## Sec. 1 - Minimal submanifolds with symmetries (1/4)

## Definition (Harvey-Lawson 1982)

Let

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \hookrightarrow & N \\ \text{submanifold} & & \text{Riem. manifold.} \end{array}$$

 $M$  is **austere**

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall p \in M, \forall \xi \in T_p^\perp M$ , the eigenvalues (with multiplicities)  
of the shape operator  $A_\xi^M$  is invariant under the multiplication by  $(-1)$ .

## Proposition

$$\text{austere} \implies \text{minimal}$$

## Problem

Classify (or, find examples of) austere submanifolds.

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## Sec. 1 - Minimal submanifolds with symmetries (2/4)

### Theorem (F. Podestà 1997)

$G$ : Lie group,  $N$ : Riemannian manifold.

Suppose  $G \curvearrowright N$ : isometric action of **cohomogeneity one**.

(i.e.  $\text{codim}(\text{principal } G\text{-orbit}) = 1$ ).

$\Rightarrow$  any **singular** (i.e. non-principal)  $G$ -orbit is an **austere** submanifold of  $N$ .

### Note

More precisely, Podestà proved that any singular  $G$ -orbit  $M$  satisfies:

$\forall p \in M, \forall \xi \in T_p^\perp M$ , there exists  $\nu_\xi \in \text{Isom}(N)$  satisfying

$$\nu_\xi(p) = p, \quad \nu_\xi(M) = M, \quad d\nu_\xi(\xi) = -\xi.$$

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## Sec. 1 - Minimal submanifolds with symmetries (3/4)

### Definition (Ikawa-Sakai-Tasaki 2009)

Let

$M \hookrightarrow N$   
submanifold      Riem. manifold.

$M$  is **weakly reflective**

$\Leftrightarrow \forall p \in M, \forall \xi \in T_p^\perp M$ , there exists  $\nu_\xi \in \text{Isom}(N)$  satisfying

def

$$\nu_\xi(p) = p, \quad \nu_\xi(M) = M, \quad d\nu_\xi(\xi) = -\xi.$$

### Proposition (Ikawa-Sakai-Tasaki 2009)

reflective  $\Rightarrow$  weakly reflective  $\Rightarrow$  austere  $\Rightarrow$  minimal  
(D.S. Leung 1973)

### Problem

Classify (or, find examples of) weakly reflective submanifolds.

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## Sec. 1 - Minimal submanifolds with symmetries (4/4)

### Study on weakly reflective submanifolds

- Ikawa-Sakai-Tasaki (2009) classified weakly reflective submanifolds and austere submanifolds which are orbits of  $s$ -representations.
- Ohno (2016) gave examples of weakly reflective submanifolds which are orbits of Hermann actions  $K_2 \curvearrowright G/K_1$ .
- Enoyoshi (2018) showed that there exists unique weakly reflective principal orbits in the cohomogeneity one action  $G_2 \curvearrowright \widetilde{Gr}_3(\text{Im } \mathbb{O})$

### Note

All known examples of weakly reflective submanifolds are homogeneous.

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## Sec. 2 - Submanifolds in Hilbert spaces (1/6)

### Basic Setting

Suppose:  $\forall p \in M, T_p M$  is a closed subsp. of  $V$ . ( $\rightsquigarrow T^\perp M$ )

	smooth immersion	
$M$	$\hookrightarrow$	$V$
Hilbert manifold		separable Hilbert sp.
$g$	$\rightsquigarrow$	$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$
Riem. metric		inner product
$\Downarrow$		$\Downarrow$
$\nabla$		$D$
Levi-Civita conn.		Levi-Civita conn.

second fundm. form  $\alpha$ , shape op.  $A$ , normal conn.  $\nabla^\perp$  is defined:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \diamond & \text{Gauss formula.} \quad D_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \alpha(X, Y), \quad X, Y \in \Gamma(TM). \\ \diamond & \text{Weingarten formula} \quad D_X \xi = -A_\xi X + \nabla_X^\perp \xi, \quad \xi \in \Gamma(T^\perp M). \end{array} \right.$$

Difficulty: Spectral theory of shape op.  $A_\xi : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$ .

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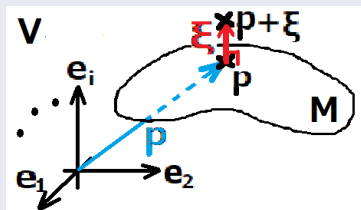
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## Sec. 2 - Submanifolds in Hilbert spaces (2/6)

Suppose (C.-L. Terng 1989)

- $M$  has finite codimension in  $V$ .
- The end point map  $Y : T^\perp M \rightarrow V$ ,  $(p, \xi) \mapsto p + \xi$



satisfies:  $\forall r > 0$ , restriction to  $D_r$  (: normal disc bdl of radius  $r$ )

$$Y|_{D_r} : D_r \rightarrow V$$

is **proper** and **Fredholm** (i.e. differential is a Fredholm op.).

Then  $M$  is called a **proper Fredholm** submanifold (**PF** submanifold).

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## Sec. 2 - Submanifolds in Hilbert spaces (3/6)

### Example

- If  $V = \mathbb{E}^n$  then  
 $M \hookrightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$  is PF  $\Leftrightarrow$  immersion  $M \hookrightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$  is proper.
- If  $\dim V = \infty$ , then the unit sphere in  $V$  is **not** PF.
- Every affine subspace of a Hilbert space  $V$  is PF.
- Every orbit of the gauge transformations is PF. (page 6/6)



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## Sec. 2 - Submanifolds in Hilbert spaces (4/6)

## Proposition (C.-L. Terng 1989)

If  $M$  is a PF submanifold of  $V$ , then

- (1) the shape operator  $A_\xi : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$  is a **self-adjoint compact** op.
- (2) for each  $u \in V$ , the function  $f_u : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p \mapsto \|p - u\|^2$  satisfies **Condition C** (Palais-Smale 1960s).

## Remark

- $A_\xi : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$  real eigenvalues

$$\underbrace{\mu_1 < \mu_2 < \cdots < 0}_{\text{finite multip.}} < 0 < \underbrace{\cdots < \lambda_2 < \lambda_1}_{\text{finite multip.}}$$

These are called the **principal curvatures** of  $M$  in direction  $\xi$ .

- the shape op.  $A_\xi : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$  is not of trace class in general (There is no natural definition for the mean curvature.)

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## Sec. 2 - Submanifolds in Hilbert spaces (5/6)

## Definition (King-Terng 1993, Heintze-Liu-Olmos 2006, Koike 2002)

$M$ : PF submanifold,  $\xi \in T^\perp M$ ,  $A_\xi : T_p M \rightarrow T_p M$ : shape operator.

- ◊  $\mu_1 \leq \mu_2 \leq \cdots < 0 < \cdots \leq \lambda_2 \leq \lambda_1$ : eigenvalues of  $A_\xi$
- ◊  $\{\kappa_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ : distinct eigenvalues of  $A_\xi$  s.t.  $|\kappa_k| > |\kappa_{k+1}|$  or  $\kappa_k = -\kappa_{k+1}$ .

(1)  **$\zeta$ -regularized mean curvature**  $\text{tr}_\zeta A_\xi := \lim_{s \searrow 1} (\sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k^s - \sum_{k=1}^\infty |\mu_k|^s)$

(2) **regularized mean curvature**  $\text{tr}_r A_\xi := \sum_{k=1}^\infty (\lambda_k + \mu_k)$

(3) **formal mean curvature**  $\text{tr}_f A_\xi := \sum_{k=1}^\infty \text{multip}(\kappa_k) \kappa_k$

(1)  $M$  is  **$\zeta$ -minimal**  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall \xi \in T^\perp M, \text{tr}_\zeta A_\xi = 0$

(2)  $M$  is  **$r$ -minimal**  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall \xi \in T^\perp M, \text{tr}_r A_\xi = 0$  (and  $\text{tr} A^2 < \infty$ )

(3)  $M$  is  **$f$ -minimal**  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall \xi \in T^\perp M, \text{tr}_f A_\xi = 0$

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## Sec. 2 - Submanifolds in Hilbert spaces (6/6)

Example (Terng 1989, Pinkall-Thorbergsson 1990, Terng 1995)

: orbits of the gauge transformations.

$G$ : conn. compact Lie group with bi-inv. Riem met.,  $\mathfrak{g}$ : its Lie alg.

$P \rightarrow [0, 1]$ : trivial principal  $G$ -bundle ( i.e.  $P := [0, 1] \times G$ ).

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{(gauge transf. gp)} & \xrightarrow{\text{(transitive) gauge transf.}} & \text{(connections of } P) \\
 \mathcal{G} := H^1([0, 1], G) & \xrightarrow{g * u := gug^{-1} - g'g} & V_{\mathfrak{g}} := L^2([0, 1], \mathfrak{g}) \\
 \text{path group} & \cup & \text{path sp.} \\
 \text{(Hilbert Lie group)} & & \text{(Hilbert sp.)} \\
 \text{subgroup } P(G, H) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & V_{\mathfrak{g}} := L^2([0, 1], \mathfrak{g}) \\
 \text{ii} & & \cup \\
 \{g \in \mathcal{G} \mid (g(0), g(1)) \in H\} & & P(G, H)\text{-orbit} \\
 (\forall H: \text{closed subgp of } G \times G) & & \uparrow \\
 & & \text{PF submanifold !}
 \end{array}$$

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## Sec. 3 - The parallel transport map (1/5)

### Setting

$G$ : conn. compact Lie group with bi-invariant Riem met.,  $\mathfrak{g}$ : its Lie algebra.

$\mathcal{G} := H^1([0, 1], G)$  : path group of all Sobolev  $H^1$ -paths from  $[0, 1]$  to  $G$ .

$V_{\mathfrak{g}} := L^2([0, 1], \mathfrak{g})$ : path space of all  $L^2$ -paths from  $[0, 1]$  to  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

Definition (Terng 1995, Terng-Thorbergsson 1995)

The **parallel transport map** is defined by

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \Phi & : & V_{\mathfrak{g}} \rightarrow G \\
 \psi & & \psi \\
 u & \mapsto & \Phi(u) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g_u(1).
 \end{array}$$

Here,  $g_u \in \mathcal{G}$  is defined by the ODE  $\begin{cases} g_u^{-1} g'_u = u, \\ g_u(0) = e \in G. \end{cases}$

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## Sec. 3 - The parallel transport map (2/5)

### Definition

Define the map  $\Psi : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow G \times G$  by  $\Psi(g) := (g(0), g(1))$  for  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ .

### Proposition (Terng 1995)

The parallel transport map  $\Phi : V_g \rightarrow G$  is equivariant with respect to  $\Psi$ . That is, the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{G} & \xrightarrow{\text{gauge transformation}} & V_g \\
 \Psi \downarrow & & \downarrow \Phi \\
 G \times G & \xrightarrow{\text{isometric action}} & G \\
 (b_1, b_2) \cdot a & := & b_1 a b_2^{-1}
 \end{array}$$

That is,  $\Phi(g * u) = \Psi(g) \cdot \Phi(u)$ .

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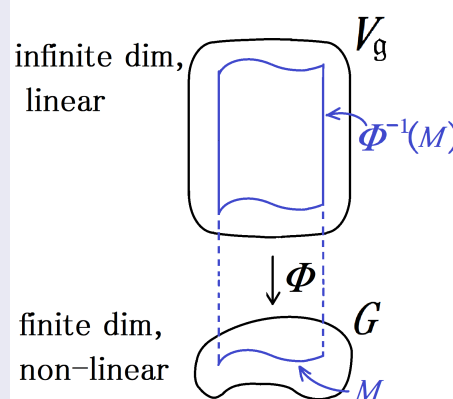
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## Sec. 3 - The parallel transport map (3/5)

### Theorem (Terng-Thorbergsson 1995)

- (1)  $\Phi$  is a Riemannian submersion,
- (2) any two fibers of  $\Phi$  are congruent under the isometry of  $V_g$ ,
- (3)  $\Phi$  is a principal  $P(G, \{e\} \times \{e\})$ -bdl,
- (4) If  $M$  is a closed submfd of  $G$ , then  $\Phi^{-1}(M)$  is a PF submfd of  $V_g$ .
- (5) If  $M = H \cdot a$  for subgrp  $H \subset G \times G$  then  $\Phi^{-1}(M) = P(G, H) * u$  for  $u \in \Phi^{-1}(a)$ .



### Nice points

- (1) We can obtain examples of (homogeneous) PF submanifolds.
- (2) We can linearize geometrical problems of submanifold  $M \subset G$ .

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## Sec. 3 - The parallel transport map (4/5)

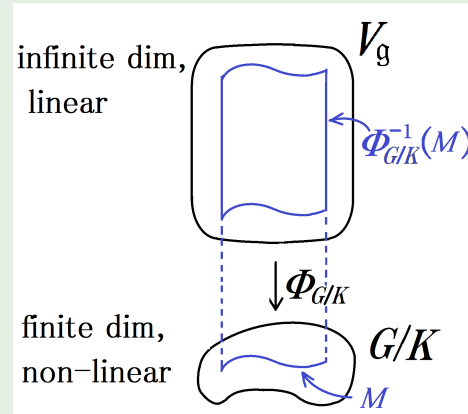
### Generalization (Terng-Thorbergsson1995)

$G/K$ : compact normal homog. sp,  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/K$ : projection.

The **parallel transport map over  $G/K$**

$$\Phi_{G/K} \stackrel{\text{def}}{:=} \pi \circ \Phi : V_g \rightarrow G \rightarrow G/K.$$

- (1)  $\Phi_{G/K}$ : a Riemannian submersion,
- (2) Two fibers of  $\Phi_{G/K}$  are congruent under the isometry of  $V_g$ ,
- (3)  $\Phi_{G/K}$ : a principal  $P(G, \{e\} \times K)$ -bdl.
- (4) If  $M$  is a closed submfd of  $G/K$ , then  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is a PF submfd of  $V_g$ .
- (5) If  $M = K' \cdot aK$  for subgrp  $K' \subset G$  then  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M) = P(G, K' \times K) * u$  for  $u \in \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(aK)$ .



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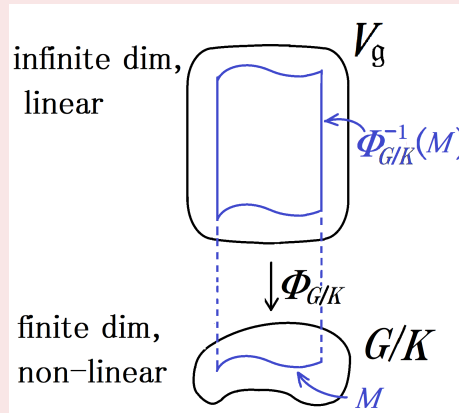
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## Sec. 3 - The parallel transport map (5/5)

### Fundamental problem

: The geometrical relation between  $M$  and  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  ?



- E.g.
- $M$ : minimal  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is  $\zeta$ -minimal and  $r$ -minimal.  
(King-Terng 1993, Heintze-Liu-Olmos 2006).
  - Suppose  $G/K$ : symmetric space of compact type.  
 $M$ : equifocal  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$ : isoparametric (Terng-Thorbergsson1995).

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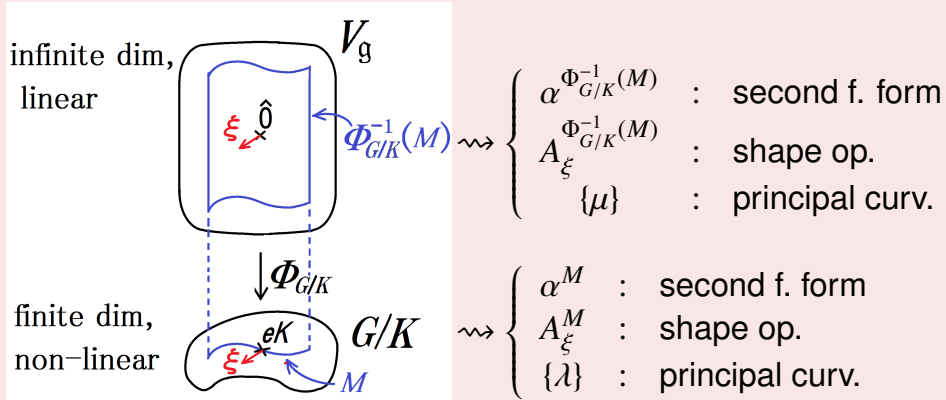
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## Sec. 4 - Submanifold geometries via the p.t.m. (1/5)

## Problem

$G/K$  : cpt. normal homog. sp.,  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{n}$  : orthogonal decomp.

- $M$  : closed submanifold of  $G/K$  through  $eK \in M$ .
- Fix a normal vector  $\xi \in T_{eK}^\perp M \cong T_{\hat{0}}^\perp \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$ .



The relation ?

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## Sec. 4 - Submanifold geometries via the p.t.m. (2/5)

## Theorem (M. 2019) : the second fundamental form

$$\begin{aligned} \forall X, Y \in T_{\hat{0}} \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M), \\ \alpha^{\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)}(X, Y) = \alpha^M \left( \int_0^1 X(t)_n dt, \int_0^1 Y(t)_n dt \right) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^1 X(t)_t dt, \int_0^1 Y(t)_n dt \right]^\perp - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^1 X(t)_n dt, \int_0^1 Y(t)_t dt \right]^\perp \\ + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^1 X(t)_t dt, \int_0^1 Y(t)_t dt \right]^\perp - \left( \int_0^1 \left[ \int_0^t X(s) ds, Y(t) \right] dt \right)^\perp. \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem (M. 2019) : the shape operator

$$\begin{aligned} \forall X \in T_{\hat{0}} \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M), \xi \in T_{\hat{0}}^\perp \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M), \\ A_{\hat{\xi}}^{\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)}(X) = A_{\xi}^M \left( \int_0^1 X(t)_n dt \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^1 X(t)_n dt, \xi \right]_{\mathfrak{k}} + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^1 X(t)_t dt, \xi \right]^\top \\ - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_0^1 X(t)_t dt, \xi \right]^\top + \left[ \int_0^t X(s) ds, \xi \right] - \left[ \int_0^1 \int_0^t X(s) ds dt, \xi \right]^\perp. \end{aligned}$$

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## Sec. 4 - Submanifold geometries via the p.t.m. (3/5)

### Theorem (Koike 2002, M. 2019) : Principal curvatures

$G/K$  : compact **symmetric** sp.  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{n}$ : canonical decomp.

Suppose  $M$  : **curvature adapted** submfd of  $G/K$ .

(i.e.  $\text{ad}(\xi)^2 : \mathfrak{n} \rightarrow \mathfrak{n}$  preserves  $T_{eK}M$

and commutes with  $A_\xi^M : T_{eK}M \rightarrow T_{eK}M$ .)

$\{\lambda\}$ : eigenvalue of  $A_\xi^M$ ,  $\{\sqrt{-1}\nu\}$ : eigenvalue of  $\text{ad}(\xi) : \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$ .

Then the principal curvatures of  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  in direction  $\xi$  is

$$\left\{ 0, \lambda, \frac{\nu}{n\pi}, \frac{\nu}{\arctan \frac{\nu}{\lambda} + m\pi} \right\} \quad \lambda, \nu > 0, n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}, m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

eigenfunctions and multiplicities are given in the next page:

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## Sec. 4 - Submanifold geometries via the p.t.m. (4/5)

### Theorem (Koike 2002, M. 2019) : Principal curvatures

Set  $\mu(\nu, \lambda, m) := \frac{\nu}{\arctan \frac{\nu}{\lambda} + m\pi}.$

eigenval.	basis of eigenfunctions	multip.
0	$\{x_i^0 \sin n\pi t, y_j^{(0,\lambda)} \cos n\pi t, y_l^{(0,\perp)} \cos n\pi t\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}, \lambda, i, j, l}$	$\infty$
$\lambda$	$\{y_j^{(0,\lambda)}\}_j$	$m(0, \lambda)$
$\frac{\nu}{n\pi}$	$\{x_r^{(\nu,\perp)} \sin n\pi t - y_r^{(\nu,\perp)} \cos n\pi t\}_r$	$m(\nu, \perp)$
$\mu(\nu, \lambda, m)$	$\left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\nu}{n\pi\mu + \nu} (x_k^{(\nu,\lambda)} \sin n\pi t + y_k^{(\nu,\lambda)} \cos n\pi t) \right\}_k$	$m(\nu, \lambda)$

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## Sec. 4 - Submanifold geometries via the p.t.m. (5/5)

By using the formula of the shape operator, we obtain:

**Theorem (M. 2019):** The totally geodesic property

The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is a totally geodesic PF submanifold of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$   
(i.e. an affine subspace of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$ ).
- (2)  $M$  is a totally geodesic submfd of  $G/K$  s.t.  $T_{eK}^{\perp}M \subset (\text{center of } \mathfrak{g})$ .

Thus  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is **not** totally geodesic, except for rare cases

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## Sec. 5 - Minimal PF submanifolds with symmetries (1/4)

### Definition

Let

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \hookrightarrow & V \\ \text{PF submfd} & & \text{separable Hilbert sp.} \end{array}$$

- $M$  is **reflective**  
 $\Leftrightarrow \exists \sigma : V \rightarrow V$ : involutive isometry s.t.  $M = \text{Fix}(\sigma)_0$ .
- $M$  is **weakly reflective**  
 $\Leftrightarrow \forall p \in M, \forall \xi \in T_p^{\perp}M, \exists \nu_{\xi} : V \rightarrow V$ : isometry  
 $\text{s.t. (i) } \nu_{\xi}(p) = p, \text{ (ii) } d\nu_{\xi}(\xi) = -\xi, \text{ (iii) } \nu_{\xi}(M) = M$ .
- $M$  is **austere**  
 $\Leftrightarrow \forall p \in M, \forall \xi \in T_p^{\perp}M,$   
 $\text{def } \{\text{eigenvalues of } A_{\xi} \text{ (with multip)}\} \text{ is invariant under } (-1) \times.$

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## Sec. 5 - Minimal PF submanifolds with symmetries (2/4)

### Recall

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M & \hookrightarrow & N \\ \text{submfd} & & \text{Riem mfd} \end{array}$$

reflective  $\Rightarrow$  weakly reflective  $\Rightarrow$  austere  $\Rightarrow$  minimal

### Note

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M) & \hookrightarrow & V_{\mathfrak{g}} \\ \text{PF submfd} & & \text{separable Hilbert sp.} \end{array}$$

reflective  $\Rightarrow$  weakly reflective  $\Rightarrow$  austere  $\Rightarrow$   $\left. \begin{array}{l} \zeta\text{-minimal} \\ \text{r-minimal} \end{array} \right\}$  same

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## Sec. 5 - Minimal PF submanifolds with symmetries (3/4)

### Theorem (M. 2019)

$G/K$ : compact normal homogeneous space.

Then each fiber of the parallel transport map  $\Phi_{G/K} : V_{\mathfrak{g}} \rightarrow G/K$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submanifold of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

### Proof (outline)

The **canonical reflection** (M. 2019) of the path space  $V_{\mathfrak{g}} = L^2([0, 1], \mathfrak{g})$

$$r : V_{\mathfrak{g}} \rightarrow V_{\mathfrak{g}}, \quad u \mapsto r(u), \quad r(u)(t) := -u(1-t)$$

plays an important role.

### Remark

The fiber is **not** totally geodesic (except for rare cases).

Therefore, the fiber is **not** reflective.



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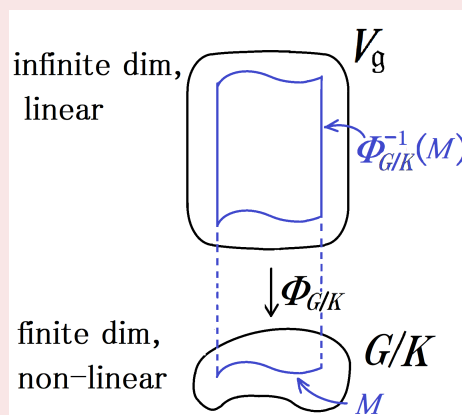
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## Sec. 5 - Minimal PF submanifolds with symmetries (4/4)

## Problem



- (1)  $M$  : reflective  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  : reflective ?  
 (2)  $M$  : weakly reflective  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  : weakly reflective ?  
 (3)  $M$  : austere  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  : austere ?

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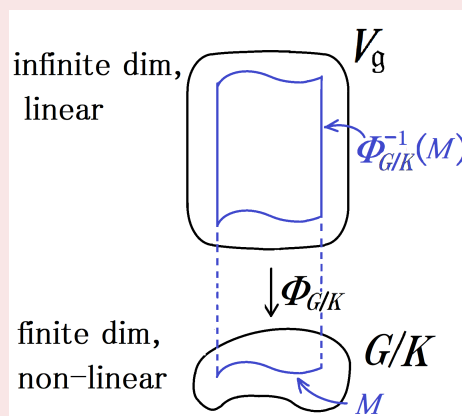
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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (1/7)

## Problem



- (1)  $M$  : reflective  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  : reflective  $\times$  (e.g. fiber)  
 (2)  $M$  : weakly reflective  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  : weakly reflective  $\bigcirc$  (Thm A and B)  
 (3)  $M$  : austere  $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  : austere  $\triangle$  (Thm C and D)

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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (2/7)

### Theorem A (M. 2019)

$G$ : connected compact semi-simple Lie group  
 with bi-inv metric induced from negative of the Killing form,  
 $K$ : symmetric subgroup of  $G$  s.t.  $(G, K)$ : effective.  
 $M$ : **weakly reflective** submanifold of  $G/K$ .  
 $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submanifold of  $V_g$ .

### Theorem B (M. 2020)

$N$ : compact isotropy irreducible Riemannian homogeneous space.  
 Fix  $p \in N$ . Set  $G := \text{Isom}_0(N)$  and  $K := \text{Isom}(N)_p$  so that  $N \cong G/K$ .  
 $M$ : **weakly reflective** submanifold of  $N \cong G/K$   
 $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submanifold of  $V_g$ .

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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (3/7)

### Theorem C (M. 2020)

Suppose  $G/K = SO(n+1)/SO(n)$ : sphere.  
 $M$ : closed submanifold of  $G/K$ .  
 Then the following conditions are equivalent:  
 (1)  $M$  is an **austere** submanifold of  $G/K$ ,  
 (2)  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is an **austere** PF submanifold of  $V_g$ .

### Theorem D (M. 2021)

Let  $G/K$ : symmetric of compact type. Suppose  $G$  is simple.  
 $M$ : an **austere** orbit of a Hermann action with commuting involutions.  
 $\Rightarrow \Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  is an **austere** PF submanifold of  $V_g$ .

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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (4/7)

## Example

$G/K$ : symmetric sp. of compact type,  $K'$ : closed subgroup of  $G$ .

Suppose the action  $K' \curvearrowright G/K$ : of **cohomogeneity one**.

Let  $M := K' \cdot aK$ : **singular orbit** through  $aK \in G/K$ .

( $\Rightarrow M$  is **weakly reflective** submfd of  $G/K$  (Podesta 1997, IST2009).

By Thm A,  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M) (= P(G, K' \times K) * u)$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submfd of  $V_g$ .

## Example

$(U, L)$ : compact Riem. symmetric pair. Assume  $L$ : connected.

$\mathfrak{u} = \mathfrak{l} + \mathfrak{p}$ : canonical decomp.  $\text{Ad} : L \rightarrow SO(\mathfrak{p})$ : isotropy rep.

Suppose  $M := \text{Ad}(L)x$ : **weakly reflective** submfd of  $S(\|x\|)(\subset \mathfrak{p})$ .

(Such  $M$  was classified in Ikawa-Sakai-Tasaki 2009)

By Thm A (or Thm B),  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M) (= P(SO(\mathfrak{p}), \text{Ad}(L) \times SO(\mathfrak{p})_x) * \hat{0})$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submanifold of  $V_g$ .

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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (5/7)

## Example

$G/K$ : symmetric space of compact type.  $K'$ : symmetric subgroup of  $G$ .

Suppose  $M = K' \cdot aK$ : **weakly reflective** orbit of the Hermann action.

(Such examples were given by Ohno 2016).

Then by Thm A,  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M) (= P(G, K' \times K) * u)$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submfd

## Example

$G_2$ : exceptional Lie grp,

$\tilde{G}r_3(\text{Im } \mathbb{O}) (\cong SO(7)/(SO(3) \times SO(4)))$ : Grassmann manifold

$G_2 \curvearrowright \tilde{G}r_3(\text{Im } \mathbb{O})$  has unique **weakly reflective** orbit  $M$  [Enoyoshi 2018].

Then by Thm A,  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M) (= P(SO(7), G_2 \times SO(3) \times SO(4)) * \hat{0})$  is a **weakly reflective** PF submfd of  $V_{\mathfrak{o}(7)}$ .

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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (6/7)

### Example

$(U, L)$ : compact Riem. symmetric pair. Assume  $L$ : connected.

$\mathfrak{u} = \mathfrak{l} + \mathfrak{p}$ : canonical decomp.  $\text{Ad} : L \rightarrow SO(\mathfrak{p})$ : isotropy rep.

Suppose  $M := \text{Ad}(L)x$ : **austere** submfd of  $S(\|x\|)(\subset \mathfrak{p})$ .

(Such  $M$  was classified by Ikawa-Sakai-Tasaki 2009)

Then by Thm C,  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  ( $= P(SO(\mathfrak{p}), \text{Ad}(L) \times SO(\mathfrak{p})_x) * \hat{0}$ ) is an **austere** PF submanifold of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

### Example

$G/K$ : symmetric space of compact type. Suppose  $G$  is simple.

Suppose  $M$ : **austere** orbit of a Hermann action with commuting involutions.

(Such examples classified by Ikawa 2011).

Then by Thm D,  $\Phi_{G/K}^{-1}(M)$  ( $= P(G, K' \times K) * u$ ) is an **austere** PF submfd of  $V_{\mathfrak{g}}$ .

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## Sec. 6 - Symmetric properties via the p.t.m. (7/7)

### Note

Recently, Taketomi (2018) introduced a generalized concept of weakly reflective submanifolds, namely **arid** submanifolds:

reflective  $\Rightarrow$  weakly reflective  $\begin{matrix} \Rightarrow & \text{austere} \\ \Rightarrow & \text{arid} \end{matrix} \Rightarrow$  minimal

A submanifold  $M$  of a Riemannian manifold  $N$  is **arid**

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall p \in M, \forall \xi \in T_p^\perp M$  there exists  $\varphi_\xi \in \text{Isom}(N)$  satisfying

$$\varphi_\xi(p) = p, \quad \varphi_\xi(M) = M, \quad d\varphi_\xi(\xi) \neq \xi.$$

Theorems A and B can be formulated to the arid case.

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## On homogeneous minimal submanifolds

### Note

In infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces,  
there exist many examples of homogeneous minimal PF submanifolds  
which are **not** totally geodesic (by Theorem in Sec. 4.)

### Theorem (Di Scala 2002)

In finite dimensional Euclidean spaces,  
**any** homogeneous minimal submanifolds must be totally geodesic.

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Thank you very much for your attention.



# Lagrangian submanifolds in complex projective space and quaternionic Kähler geometry

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ABSTRACT. We discuss a relationship of certain Lagrangian submanifolds in complex projective space and submanifolds in complex 2-plane Grassmannian.

1. Let  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  be an  $n$ -dimensional complex projective space with Fubini-Study metric of constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4. For a Lagrangian submanifold  $M^n$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and a unit normal vector field  $N$  on  $M$ , we find the condition such that for  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  with sufficiently small  $|r| > 0$ , 1-parameter family of 'parallel' submanifolds

$$M_r := \{\exp_p(rN_p) \mid p \in M\}$$

are Lagrangian submanifolds in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , by computing the differential of the normal exponential map (cf. [1]).

2. For a Lagrangian submanifold  $M^n$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and a unit normal vector field  $N$  on  $M$ , we define a 'Gauss map'  $\gamma$  to complex 2-plane Grassmannian  $G_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$  (cf. [2], [3], [4]). If  $M$  and  $N$  admits parallel Lagrangian submanifolds  $M_r$  as 1., and moreover if  $JN$  is an eigenvector of the shape operator  $A_N$  and the eigenvalue is constant, then the rank of  $\gamma$  is  $n - 1$  and  $\gamma(M)$  is a quarter dimensional totally real submanifold with respect to both complex and quaternionic Kähler structure of  $G_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ .

3. Conversely, let  $\Sigma^{n-1}$  be a quarter dimensional submanifold in  $G_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$  which is totally real with respect to both complex and quaternionic Kähler structure of  $G_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ . Then we have locally a horizontal lift of  $\Sigma$  in the twistor space of  $G_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , and we can construct ruled (i.e., foliated by geodesics in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ ) Lagrangian immersion  $\varphi$  from a circle bundle  $M^n$  over  $\Sigma$  to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , provided  $\varphi$  is regular, and  $M$  admits parallel family of Lagrangian submanifolds  $M_r$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ .

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## Parallel hypersurfaces

### Parallel hypersurfaces

$\widetilde{M}$ : Riemann manifold,

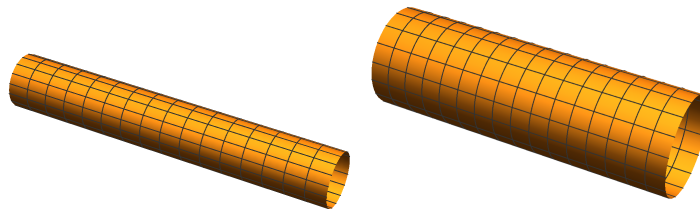
$M$ : An oriented hypersurface of  $\widetilde{M}$ ,

$N_x$ : Unit normal vector field  $M$  in  $\widetilde{M}$ ,

$$\phi_r(M) := \{\exp_x(rN_x) \mid x \in M\} \quad (0 < r)$$

is called a **parallel hypersurface** of  $M$ , provided  $\phi_r(M)$  is a smooth hypersurface of  $\widetilde{M}$ .

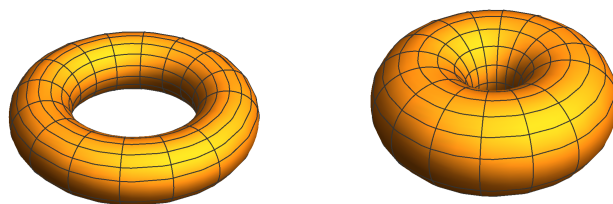
## Examples of parallel hypersurfaces in $\mathbb{R}^3$ : Circular cylinders



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## Examples of parallel hypersurfaces in $\mathbb{R}^3$ : tori of revolution



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## Isoparametric hypersurfaces in space forms

### Isoparametric hypersurfaces in space forms

If  $M_0^n$ : is an isoparametric hypersurface (i.e., principal curvatures are constant) in  $\widetilde{M}^{n+1}(c)$  of constant sectional curvature  $c$ , then its parallel hypersurfaces  $M_r^n$  in  $\widetilde{M}^{n+1}(c)$  is also **isoparametric**.

## Hopf hypersurfaces in Kähler manifold

### Structure vector of real hypersurface

$M^{2n-1}$ : Oriented real hypersurface in Kähler manifold  $\widetilde{M}^n$ ,

$N$ : unit normal vector field of  $M$  in  $\widetilde{M}$ ,

$\xi := -JN$ : **structure vector field** of  $M$ .

### Hopf hypersurface

$M^{2n-1}$ : real hypersurface in Kähler manifold  $\widetilde{M}^n$ ,

$M$ : **Hopf hypersurface** in  $\widetilde{M}$

$\Leftrightarrow A\xi = \mu\xi$  ( $\mu$ : Hopf principal curvature) .

$A$ : shape operator of  $M$  in  $\widetilde{M}$ .

## Hopf hypersurfaces in complex space forms

### Hopf principal curvature

$\mu$  is **constant** when  $\widetilde{M} = \widetilde{M}^n(c)$  with constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $c \neq 0$ .

### Hopf hypersurface

$M^{2n-1}$  is a Hopf hypersurface in  $\widetilde{M}^n(c)$  ( $c \neq 0$ )  
 $\Rightarrow$

- Parallel hypersurfaces  $M_r$  in  $\widetilde{M}^n(c)$  are also **Hopf**,
- Each integral curve of  $\xi$  is a geodesic on  $M$  and a '**circle**' in  $\widetilde{M}^1(c) \subset \widetilde{M}^n(c)$ .

## Parallel family of Lagrangian submanifolds

### Parallel family of Lagrangian submanifolds in $\mathbb{CP}^n$

In this talk, we treat with 1-parameter family of 'parallel' Lagrangian submanifolds  $M_r^n$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  with Fubini-Study metric of constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4.

## Problem

### Problem

Let  $M_0$  be a Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and let  $N$  be a unit normal vector field on  $M$ . For  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  with sufficient small  $|r|$ , when each of the parallel family

$$M_r := \{\exp_p(rN_p) \in \mathbb{CP}^n \mid p \in M_0\} \quad (1)$$

is a Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ ?

## Answer

### Answer

For  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  (with small  $|r|$ ), each  $n$ -dimensional submanifold  $M_r$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  given by (1) is Lagrangian if and only if the following 4 equations are satisfied:

- ①  $\nabla_{JN}(JN) = 0$ , i.e.,  $JN$  is a geodesic vector field on  $M_0$ , where  $J$  and  $\nabla$  denote the complex structure and the induced Levi-Civita connection on  $M_0$ , respectively,
- ②  $\langle A_N(JN), \nabla_X(JN) \rangle = 0$ , where  $X$ ,  $A$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denote a tangent vector field orthogonal to  $JN$ , the shape operator and the induced metric of  $M_0$ , respectively,



## Answer

### Answer

- ③  $\langle \nabla_X(JN), Y \rangle = \langle \nabla_Y(JN), X \rangle$ , where  $X$  and  $Y$  are tangent vector fields on  $M_0$  which are orthogonal to  $JN$ , i.e.,  $\{JN\}^\perp$  is an integrable distribution on  $M_0$ ,
- ④  $\langle \nabla_X(JN), A_N Y \rangle = \langle \nabla_Y(JN), A_N X \rangle$ , where  $X$  and  $Y$  are tangent vector fields on  $M_0$  which are orthogonal to  $JN$ .

## Integral curve of $JN$

### Integral curve of $JN$

Furthermore we consider the case:

- ⑤  $JN$  is an eigenvector of the shape operator  $A_N$ , i.e.,  $A_N(JN) = \mu JN$  and the eigenvalue  $\mu$  is constant on  $M_0$ .

Then each integral curve of  $JN$  in  $M_0$  is a circle in a complex projective line  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Moreover for each  $r$ , with respect to a unit normal vector field  $(N_r)_{\exp(rN_p)} := (d\exp)_{rN_p}(N_p)$  on  $M_r$ , each integral curve of  $JN_r$  in  $M_r$  is either a circle or a geodesic (ruled Lagrangian submanifold) in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ .

## Complex Stiefel manifold

Euclidean inner product on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$

For  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ , we define  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued Euclidean inner product by  $\langle z, w \rangle = \operatorname{Re}(z^* w)$ .

Complex Stiefel manifold

$$V_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1}) = \{(u_1, u_2) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \mid \|u_1\| = \|u_2\| = 1, \langle u_1, u_2 \rangle = \langle u_1, iu_2 \rangle = 0\}$$

:Complex Stiefel manifold,

$$M_V := V_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1}) = U(n+1)/U(n-1).$$

## Complex 2-plane Grassmann manifold

Complex 2-plane Grassmann manifold

Complex 2-plane Grassmann manifold  $\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$  is realized as a quotient space of an action of  $U(2)$  on  $V_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$  as  $U(2) \ni g, (u_1, u_2) \mapsto (u_1, u_2)g$ .

$$\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1}) = U(n+1)/U(n-1) \times U(2).$$

## Circle actions on $V_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$

### Circle actions on complex Stiefel manifold

We consider circle actions on  $M_V$ :

$$S^1 = \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z} \ni \theta, (u_1, u_2) \mapsto (e^{i\theta}u_1, e^{i\theta}u_2),$$

$$SO(2) \ni \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(u_1, u_2) \mapsto (u_1, u_2) \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Sequence of projections

### Sequence of projections

$$M_V \xrightarrow{\pi_{S^1}} M_S \xrightarrow{\pi_{SO(2)}} M_{\mathcal{Z}} \xrightarrow[\pi_{S^2}]{\pi_{\mathcal{Z}}} M_{\mathbb{G}},$$

$M_{\mathbb{G}}^{4n-4} : \mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , Complex 2-plane  
Grassmannian,

$M_{\mathcal{Z}}^{4n-2}$ : twistor space of  $M_{\mathbb{G}}$ , complex contact  
manifold,

$M_S^{4n-1}$ :  $S^1$ -bundle over  $M_{\mathcal{Z}}$  (3-Sasakian).

## Tangent spaces

### Tangent space of $M_V$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{(u_1, u_2)} M_V = & (\{u_1, u_2\}^\perp \times \{u_1, u_2\}^\perp) \\ & \oplus \mathbb{R}(iu_1, iu_2) \oplus \mathbb{R}(-u_2, u_1) \\ & \oplus \mathbb{R}(-iu_1, iu_2) \oplus \mathbb{R}(iu_2, iu_1), \end{aligned}$$

### Tangent space of $M_S$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{[u_1, u_2]} M_S \cong & (\{u_1, u_2\}^\perp \times \{u_1, u_2\}^\perp) \\ & \oplus \mathbb{R}(-u_2, u_1) \\ & \oplus \mathbb{R}(-iu_1, iu_2) \oplus \mathbb{R}(iu_2, iu_1), \end{aligned}$$

## Tangent spaces

### Tangent space of $M_Z$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{[u_1, u_2]} M_Z \cong & (\{u_1, u_2\}^\perp \times \{u_1, u_2\}^\perp) \\ & \oplus \mathbb{R}(-iu_1, iu_2) \oplus \mathbb{R}(iu_2, iu_1), \end{aligned}$$

### Tangent space of $M_{\mathbb{G}}$

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## Q.K. structure of $M_{\mathbb{G}}$

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Then for  $(u_1, u_2) \in V_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , a basis  $I_1, I_2, I_3$  of quaternionic Kähler structure of  $M_{\mathbb{G}}$  at  $[u_1, u_2]$  is give as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1, x_2) &\in \{u_1, u_2\}^{\perp} \times \{u_1, u_2\}^{\perp}, \\ I_1 : (x_1, x_2) &\mapsto (-x_2, x_1), \\ I_2 : (x_1, x_2) &\mapsto (-ix_1, ix_2), \\ I_3 : (x_1, x_2) &\mapsto (ix_2, ix_1). \end{aligned}$$

Complex structure is  $J : (x_1, x_2) \mapsto (ix_1, ix_2)$ .

## 'Gauss map' to $\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$

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Let  $M_0^n$  be a Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and let  $N$  be a unit normal vector field on  $M_0$ . Then we have a 'Gauss map'  $\gamma_N$  from  $M_0$  to the complex 2-plane Grassmannian  $\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , where  $\gamma_N(p)$  is the complex 2-plane spanned by the position vector  $p$  and  $N_p$  in  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  for  $p \in M^n$ .

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Let  $M^n$  be a Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and let  $N$  be a unit normal vector field on  $M$ . Suppose that for each  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  with sufficiently small  $|r|$ , each of the parallel family  $M_r$  of  $M_0$  is a Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and  $JN$  is an eigenvector of the shape operator  $A_N$  of  $M_0$  with constant eigenvalue  $\mu$ .

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Then

- ① The image  $\gamma_N(M_0)$  is a quarter-dimensional totally real submanifold with respect to both complex structure and Quaternionic Kähler structure of  $\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , and
- ② Each fiber of  $\gamma_N$  is an integral curve of  $JN$  on  $M_0$ .
- ③ Hence  $M_0$  is a total space of circle bundle over  $\gamma_N(M_0)$  with projection  $\gamma$ .

## 'Gauss map' of real hypersurfaces

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Similar result was obtained for real hypersurfaces, in particular Hopf hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and half-dimensional totally complex submanifolds in  $\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , [K, 2014].

## Gauss map of hypersurface in sphere

### Gauss map of hypersurface in $\mathbb{S}^{n+1}$

$x : M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^{n+1}$ : an immersion,

$N : M^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+2}$ : unit normal vector field,

$\rightsquigarrow$

$\gamma : M^n \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_2(\mathbb{R}^{n+2}) \cong \mathbb{Q}^n$ : **Gauss map**, defined by  $\gamma(p) = x(p) \wedge N(p)$ .

Here  $M^n$  is an oriented hypersurface in  $\mathbb{S}^{n+1}$ ,  
 $\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_2(\mathbb{R}^{n+2})$ : oriented real 2-plane Grassmannian,  
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### Theorem (Palmer, 1997)

$M^n$ ; oriented hypersurface in  $\mathbb{S}^{n+1}$

$\Rightarrow$

$\gamma(M)$ : **Lagrangian** submanifold in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$ , and  
 $M^n$  is either **isoparametric** or **austere** in  $\mathbb{S}^{n+1}$

$\Rightarrow$

$\gamma(M)$ : **Minimal** Lagrangian in  $\mathbb{Q}^n$ .

For  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $M_t := \{\cos tx(p) + \sin tN(p)\}$ :  
parallel hypersurface of  $M$ , the **Gauss image** is **not changed**:

$$\gamma(M_t) = \gamma(M).$$



## Proposition 2

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Let  $\varphi : \Sigma^{n-1} \rightarrow M_{\mathbb{G}}$  be a totally real immersion concerning both complex structure and quaternionic Kähler structure of  $M_{\mathbb{G}}$ ,  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  the universal covering of  $\Sigma$ , and  $\pi_{\Sigma} : \tilde{\Sigma} \rightarrow \Sigma$  the covering projection. Then there exists a horizontal immersion  $\tilde{\varphi} : \tilde{\Sigma} \rightarrow M_{\mathbb{Z}}$  such that  $\pi_{\mathbb{Z}} \circ \tilde{\varphi} = \varphi \circ \pi_{\Sigma}$  ( $\tilde{\varphi}$ : horizontal lift of  $\varphi$ ).

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Let  $\psi : \Sigma^{n-1} \rightarrow M_{\mathbb{Z}}$  be a horizontal immersion such that  $\pi_{\mathbb{Z}} \circ \psi : \Sigma \rightarrow M_{\mathbb{G}}$  is a totally real immersion concerning both complex structure and quaternionic Kähler structure of  $M_{\mathbb{G}}$ . Concerning a circle bundle  $M_S \rightarrow M_{\mathbb{Z}}$ , let  $\pi_{\psi} : \psi^* M_S \rightarrow \Sigma$  be the pullback bundle over  $\Sigma$  for  $\psi$ .

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Then we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \psi^* M_S & \xrightarrow{\eta} & M_S \\
 \pi_\psi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_Z \\
 \Sigma^{n-1} & \xrightarrow{\psi} & M_Z.
 \end{array}$$

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For a projection  $\text{pr} : M_S \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ ,  $[u_1, u_2] \mapsto [u_1]$ , We define a map  $\Phi_0 := \text{pr} \circ \eta : \psi^* M_S \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ . Then the image of each fiber  $\pi^{-1}(p)$  for  $p \in \Sigma$  is a geodesic  $c_p$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and on the open subset  $O \subset \psi^* M_S$  of regular points for  $\Phi_0$ ,  $\Phi_0(O)$  is a ruled Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ .

## Converse construction

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For a ruled Lagrangian submanifold  $M_0 = \Phi_0(O)$ , along geodesics normal to  $M_0$  with initial vector  $J\dot{c}_p$ , each of parallel family of  $n$ -dimensional submanifold  $M_r$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  is also Lagrangian for sufficiently small  $|r|$ .

## Special case

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Complex quadric  $Q^{n-1}$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  which is identified with real oriented 2-plane Grassmannian  $\tilde{G}_2(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$  is half-dimensional totally geodesic, totally complex (concerning Q.K. structure) and totally real (concerning complex structure) submanifold in  $G_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ .

## Gauss image of hypersurfaces in $S^n$

### Special case

Hence Gauss image of oriented hypersurface  $\Sigma^{n-1}$  in  $S^n$  is considered as a totally real submanifold concerning both complex structure and Q.K. structure in  $\mathbb{G}_2(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$ , so it satisfies conditions to construct parallel family of Lagrangian submanifolds  $M_r$  in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ .

## Examples

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Let  $\Sigma^{n-1}$  be an oriented hypersurface,  $p$  a position vector of  $\Sigma$  in  $S^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  and  $N_p$  a unit normal of  $\Sigma^{n-1}$  in  $S^n$  at  $p \in \Sigma$ .

For  $r \in \mathbb{R}$  with sufficiently small  $|r|$ , we define a map,  $\Phi_r : M^n = S^1 \times \Sigma^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ ,

$$\Phi_r(t, p) := \pi((\cos r \cos t - i \sin r \sin t)p + (-\sin r \cos t + i \cos r \sin t)N_p),$$

where  $\pi : S^{2n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$  is the Hopf fibration.

## Examples

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Then  $\{\Phi_r(M^n)\}$  gives a parallel family of Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , provided  $\Phi_r$  is an immersion. Here  $t$  is a parameter of integral curve (a circle lies in  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ) of  $JN$ .

In particular when  $r = 0$ ,  $\Phi_0(M)$  is a ruled Lagrangian submanifold in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , provided the shape operator of  $\Sigma^{n-1}$  in  $S^n$  is non-degenerate.

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# An introduction to the deformed Hermitian Yang-Mills (dHYM) connections

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**ABSTRACT.** In this talk, I gave an introduction to the deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills (dHYM) connections. The talk was started with the introduction of some basic notions of special Lagrangian submanifolds. After that, the easy version of the real Fourier–Mukai transform was explained. Finally, I gave a list of recent results obtained in a joint works with K. Kawai.

## 1 Special Lagrangian submanifold

Roughly speaking, a deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connection is a mirror object of a special Lagrangian submanifold in the sense of mirror symmetry. So, it's better to start with the introduction of special Lagrangian submanifolds.

Let  $\mathbb{C}^n \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  be the standard complex plane with coordinates  $x = x + iy$ . Denote the standard Kähler form and the holomorphic volume form on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by  $\omega = \sum_i dx^i \wedge dy^i$  and  $\Omega := dz^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz^n$ , respectively.

**Definition 1.** An  $n$ -dimensional real submanifold  $L$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is called a special Lagrangian submanifold with phase  $e^{i\theta}$  if it satisfies  $\omega|_L = 0$  and  $\text{Im}(e^{-i\theta}\Omega)|_L = 0$ .

It is well-known that a special Lagrangian submanifold is volume minimizing in its homology class. One can easily see that if a Lagrangian submanifold  $L \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is written by the graph of the gradient of some function  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  the special Lagrangian condition is equivalent to

$$\arg \det (I + i \text{Hess } f) = \theta. \quad (1)$$

It is also known (as a result of McLean) that the moduli space of special Lagrangian submanifolds (around  $L$ ) is a smooth  $b^1(L)$ -dimensional manifold.

## 2 The real Fourier–Mukai transform

Historically, the definition of deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections is introduced by the real Fourier–Mukai transform in the paper in the paper of Leung, Yau and Zaslow. To explain that, let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a smooth function. Then, as explained above, we obtain the graph of  $Y := \nabla f$  denoted by  $S_Y$ . On the other hand, we also get a connection by

$$\nabla^Y := d + \sum_{i=1}^n Y^i dy^i.$$

This is an Hermitian connection of the trivial  $\mathbb{C}$ -bundle over  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Then, by Leung, Yau and Zaslow, it was found that  $f$  satisfies (1) if and only if the curvature 2-form  $F_{\nabla^Y}$  satisfies

$$\text{Im} (e^{-i\theta}(\omega + F_{\nabla^Y})^n) = 0.$$

We remark that the condition that  $Y$  is written as  $\nabla f$  is equivalent to  $F_{\nabla^Y}^{0,2} = 0$ . Thus, we have reached the definition of deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections.

**Definition 2.** Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a Kähler manifold with  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = n$  and  $L \rightarrow X$  be a smooth  $\mathbb{C}$ -bundle with an Hermitian metric  $h$ . Then, an Hermitian connection  $\nabla$  of  $(L, h)$  is called a deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connection with phase  $e^{i\theta}$  if it satisfies  $F_{\nabla}^{0,2} = 0$  and

$$\operatorname{Im} (e^{-i\theta}(\omega + F_{\nabla^Y})^n) = 0,$$

where  $F_{\nabla}$  is the curvature 2-form of  $\nabla$ .

The correspondence between  $S_Y$  and  $\nabla^Y$  is (roughly) called the real Fourier–Mukai transform.

### 3 Some results

We are wondering whether some properties of special Lagrangian submanifolds also hold for deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections or not. In other words, we are wondering whether deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections are similar to special Lagrangian submanifolds or not. This is a motivation of a joint work with K. Kawai. We answered the following questions affirmatively.

- Is a deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connection a minimizer of some functional?
- Is there a flow similar to mean curvature flows?
- Is the moduli space of deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections smooth and finite dimensional?

We give some more detail on the first and second question. First, the functional  $V$  on the set of all Hermitian connections of  $(L, h)$  is given by

$$V(\nabla) := \int_X \sqrt{\det (\operatorname{id}_{TX} - iF_{\nabla}^{\sharp})} \frac{\omega^n}{n!}.$$

We call  $V$  the volume functional for Hermitian connections. As the case of submanifolds, we can define a 1-form depends on  $\nabla$ , denoted by  $H(\nabla)$ , which satisfies the first variation formula:

$$\delta_{\nabla} V = - \int_X \langle \cdot, H(\nabla) \rangle.$$

Then, the first main theorem of a joint work with Kawai is as follows .

**Theorem 1.** *Assume that  $(X, \omega)$  is a Kähler manifold with  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = 3$  or  $4$ . Then, the functional  $V$  has a topologically determined lower bound and it is attained at  $\nabla$  if and only if it is a deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connection.*



As the case of mean curvature flows, we can consider the negative gradient flow of  $V$  and it written as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla = H(\nabla). \quad (2)$$

Of course, the volume functional  $V$  is decreasing along this flow. So, we can expect that the flow converges a deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connection if the flow has a long time solution. As the first step to realize this expectation, we have proved the following, the short time existence and uniqueness.

**Theorem 2.** *Assume that  $X$  is compact. Then, the flow (2) satisfies the short time existence and uniqueness for any initial connection  $\nabla$ .*

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~~File~~dHYM  $\xleftrightarrow{\text{mirror}}$  sLag (in mirror sym)§ special Lag submfd

$$\mathbb{C}^n \simeq \mathbb{R}^{2n} \quad (z = x + iy)$$

$$\omega = dx^i \wedge dy^i, \quad \Omega = dz^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dz^n$$

Def  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ .  $L^n \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is sLag <sup>with phase</sup>

$$\Leftrightarrow \omega|_L \equiv 0, \quad \text{Im}(e^{i\theta} \Omega)|_L \equiv 0$$

Thm sLag  $L$  is volume minimizing in  $[L]$ 

(skip the proof)

② graphical case

 $Y := (Y^1, \dots, Y^n): B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  : smooth  
 open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 

$$S_Y := \{(x, Y(x)) \mid x \in B\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n$$

Fact 1  $S_Y$  is Lag

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial Y^i}{\partial x^j} = \frac{\partial Y^j}{\partial x^i} \Leftrightarrow \exists f \in C^\infty(B) \text{ s.t. } Y = \nabla f$$

Fact 2

$$\Omega|_{S_Y} = \det(I + \sqrt{-1} \text{Hess} f) dz^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dz^n$$

 $\Rightarrow S_Y$  is sLag with phase  $e^{i\theta}$ 

$$\Leftrightarrow \arg(\det(I + \sqrt{-1} \text{Hess} f)) = \theta$$

Let  $\lambda_1(x), \dots, \lambda_n(x)$  be  
eigenvalues of  $\text{Hess} f(x)$ Define  $k_i(x), \theta_i(x)$  by

$$1 + \sqrt{-1} \lambda_i(x) = k_i(x) e^{i\theta_i(x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \triangle \lambda_i \Rightarrow \theta_i(x) = \arctan \lambda_i(x)$$

Def  $\theta$  the Lag angle of  $S_Y$   
 $\textcircled{H}(x) := \theta_1(x) + \dots + \theta_n(x)$ Prop  $S_Y$  is sLag with phase  $e^{i\theta}$ 

$$\Leftrightarrow \textcircled{H} \equiv \theta$$

Fact 3 (McLean)

Around a sLag  $L$ , there is a  
 $\ell'(L)$ -dim family of sLags. $(\Rightarrow$  the moduli space of sLag  
(around  $L$ ) is smooth  $\ell'(L)$ -dim

(very rough proof)

$$\mathcal{F}: \{\text{Lag } L' \text{ (close to } L)\} \rightarrow C^\infty(L')$$

$$\mathcal{F}(L') := \textcircled{H} \circ f L' \quad \text{Moduli sp}$$

Apply implicit funct. thm to  $\mathcal{F}$ . $\Rightarrow \delta_L \mathcal{F}$  is surjectiveand  $\text{Ker } \delta_L \mathcal{F} \cong \{\text{harmonic 1-form on } L\}$ [1st Betti number of  $L \rightarrow \ell'(L)$ -dim]

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### § The real Fourier-Mukai transform, Fact 2 ( $Y = Y^{\text{af}}$ )

• Toy model by Leung-Yau-Zaslow:  $S_Y$  is sLag  $\Leftrightarrow \arg(\det(I + \sqrt{-1} \text{Hess} f)) = 0$

$$Y = (Y^1, \dots, Y^n) : B^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n : \text{smooth} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \text{Im}(e^{-i\theta} (\omega + F_Y)^n) = 0$$

Then, we get two objects.

①  $S_Y := \{(x, Y(x)) \mid x \in B\} \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  Def  $(X, \omega) : \text{Kähler with } \dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = n$

②  $\nabla^Y := d + \sqrt{-1} (Y^1 dx^1 + \dots + Y^n dx^n) : L \rightarrow X : \text{smooth } \mathbb{C}\text{-bdl}$

$(\nabla^Y = d + \sqrt{-1} A_Y)$  with Herm metric  $h$ .

Fact 1  $S_Y$  is Lag  $\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial Y^i}{\partial x^j} = \frac{\partial Y^j}{\partial x^i}$  Then, a Hermitian connection  $\nabla$  of  $L$  is called a deformed Hermitian Yang-Mills connection if

$$\Leftrightarrow F_Y^{0,2} = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{integrability cond.} \quad F_Y^{0,2} \equiv 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Im}(e^{-i\theta} (\omega + F_Y)^n) \equiv 0$$

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### § In low dimension

Fix  $\theta = 0$ .

①  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = 1$

$$\sim \text{Im}(\omega + F_Y) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow F_Y = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{flat conn.}$$

②  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = 2$

$$\text{Im}(\omega + F_Y)^2 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \omega \wedge F_Y = 0$$

$\uparrow$  Hermitian Yang-Mills connection

③ If  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X \geq 3$ ,

$$\text{dHYM} \neq \text{HYM}$$

### § Some variants

• metric version of dHYM

$(X, \omega) : \text{Kähler}$

$L \rightarrow X : \text{hol } \mathbb{C}\text{-bdl}$

A Hermitian metric  $h$  of  $L$  is

dHYM metric (with phase  $e^{i\theta}$ )

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{Im}(e^{-i\theta} (\omega + F_h)^n) = 0$$

$$\text{where } F_h := -\partial\bar{\partial} \log h$$

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## § Joint work with Kawai

④ Motivation

"Does a dHYM connection have a property ~~with~~ which a ~~slag~~ has?"

✓ dHYM is a minimizer of some functional?

✓ Is there a flow similar to "mean curvature flow"?

✓ Is the moduli space of dHYM  
 ↑ smooth? finite dim? orientable? ) ← Part II  
 Yes

# Line bundle mean curvature flows and the moduli space of dHYM connections

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**ABSTRACT.** In this talk, I introduced two recent results. One is given in a joint work with X. Han. It is about an  $\varepsilon$ -regularity theorem for line bundle mean curvature flow. The other is given in a joint work with K. Kawai. It proves that the moduli space of deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections is a smooth finite dimensional manifold.

## 1 Line bundle mean curvature flow

In the former talk, I introduced a flow for Hermitian connections. There is a metric version of the flow, the so-called line bundle mean curvature flow. It was introduced by Jacob and Yau.

**Definition 1.** Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a Kähler manifold with  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} = n$  and  $L \rightarrow X$  be a holomorphic line bundle. Then, a one-parameter family of Hermitian metrics  $\{h_t\}_{t \in [0, T)}$  of  $L$  is called a line bundle mean curvature flow if it satisfies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(-\log h_t) = \Theta(h_t) - \theta,$$

for some fixed constant  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

In the above definition, the angle function  $\Theta(h)$  is defined to satisfy

$$(\omega - \partial\bar{\partial} \log h)^n = R(h)e^{i\Theta(h)}\omega^n.$$

The function  $R(h)$  is called the radius function.

The line bundle mean curvature flow is considered as a mirror object of a mean curvature flow. So, it could be singular in finite time as the mean curvature flow case. Thus, I considered that establishing an  $\varepsilon$ -regularity theorem for line bundle mean curvature flows will be useful.

To introduce our main result, we should put some assumptions. Assume that  $X$  is diffeomorphic to the product of balls  $B(r_1)$  and  $B(r_2)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $L$  is the trivial  $\mathbb{C}$ -bundle. Also assume that the Kähler form and  $h_t$  are  $y$ -invariant. Then, we define a kind of “the Gaussian density” for Hermitian connections by

$$D(h_t) := (\text{Vol}(B(r_2)))^{-1} \frac{1}{(4\pi(T-t))^{n/2}} \int_X \exp\left(-\frac{|x|^2 + |\partial \log h_t|^2}{4(T-t)}\right) R(h_t) \frac{\omega^n}{n!}.$$

Then, the  $\varepsilon$ -regularity theorem given in a joint work with Han is expressed as follows.

**Theorem 1.** *There exist  $C > 0$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  satisfying the following condition. If a line bundle mean curvature flow  $\{h_t\}_{t \in [0, T)}$  satisfies*

$$|F(h_t)| \leq C \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow T} D(h_t) < 1 + \varepsilon,$$

*then  $h_t$  can be extended beyond  $T$ .*

## 2 The moduli space of dHYM connections

Next, we switch the subject to connections from metrics. So, we consider deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections, not metrics. This part is based on a joint work with K. Kawai. We studied the moduli space of deformed Hermitian Yang–Mills connections.

The setting is as follows. Let  $(X, \omega)$  be a compact Kähler manifold and let  $L \rightarrow X$  be a smooth  $\mathbb{C}$ -bundle with an Hermitian metric  $h$ . Fix  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ . Put

$$\mathcal{M} := \{ \text{dHYM connections of } (L, h) \} / U(1)\text{-gauge}$$

Then, we proved the following.

**Theorem 2.** *If  $\mathcal{M} \neq \emptyset$ , then  $\mathcal{M}$  is a smooth  $b^1(X)$ -dimensional manifold. Moreover, it has an affine structure and it is orientable.*

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Line bundle mcf's  
and the moduli space of dHYM conn.

### §1 Line bundle mcf for metrics

(joint work with X. Han in  
Tsinghua Univ.)

This is the metric version  
of dHYM (not the connection  
ver.)

Recall

$(X, \omega)$ : Kähler  $\dim X = n$

$L \rightarrow X$ : hol.  $\mathbb{C}$ -bdl

the line bdl mcf is  
introduced by Jacob-Yau.

Def A 1-parameter family of  
Hermitian metrics  $\{h_t\}_{t \in [0, T)}$   
is called a line bundle mcf

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\log h_t) = \underbrace{\Theta(h_t)}_{\text{angle func.}} - \exists \theta$$

where

$$\Theta(h) := \arg(\det(\omega - i\partial\bar{\partial} \log h)^n)$$

Fact

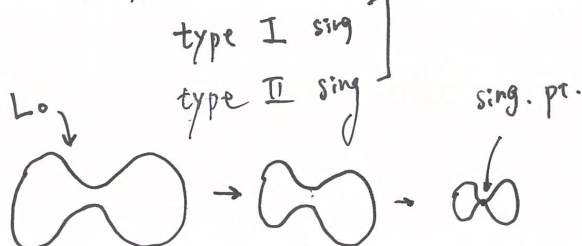
The lbmcf  $\exists$  exist!  
The volume  $V$  is decreasing  
along lbmcf.

The stationary solution of lbmcf  
is dHYM metric with phase  $e^{i\theta}$ .

### ② Motivation of study

- A difficulty and its resolution  
in Lag mcf side.

In general mcf develops singularities  
in finite time.



But, Wang and Neves proved that

"if  $L_0$  is graded Lag then  
type I sing does not occur."

White's  $\epsilon$ -reg (very rough ver.)

$\exists$  very nice  $\epsilon > 0$  satisfying  
the following property.

If a mcf  $\{S_t\}_{t \in [0, T)}$  satisfies

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow T} (GD)(S_t) < 1 + \epsilon$$

then  $S_t$  does not develop  
singularity at  $t = T$ .

Q. Can we make similar reg. thm

A key to prove this for lbmcf?  
was White's  $\epsilon$ -regularity  
theorem.

A. Yes

§ the result

Assumptions  $(x, y)$

$$X \cong B(r_1) \times B(r_2)$$

$$L = \mathbb{C}$$

$\omega$  is  $y$ -inv,  $h_t$  is  $y$ -inv

Def Some density is defined by

$$D(h_t) := \text{Vol}(B(r_2))^{-1} \times \frac{1}{(4\pi(T-t))^{n/2}}$$

$$\times \int_X \exp\left(-\frac{|x|^2 + |\partial \log h_t|^2}{4(T-t)}\right) R(h_t) \frac{\omega^n}{n!}$$

Prop

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{d}{dt} D(h_t) \leq - \int_X |\text{Ric}|^2 \frac{\omega^n}{n!} + O\left(\frac{c}{T-t}\right)$$

$\leadsto D(h_t)$  is decreasing along  $\text{lbmcf}$

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{d}{dt} \log h_t = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \textcircled{H}(h_t) = \frac{1}{T-t} \left( \phi - \frac{1}{2} x^k \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^k} \right)$$

(where  $\phi := -\log h_t$ ).

called a self-shrinker  
in our paper.

Prop If  $T$  is nonsingular time

then  $\lim_{t \rightarrow T} D(h_t) = 1$ .

Our  $\varepsilon$ -reg thm ensures that  
its converse is also true.  
(in some sense)

Thm (Han-Y.)

$\exists C > 0$ ,  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  satisfying the  
following properties.

If  $\text{lbmcf} \downarrow h_t \uparrow_{t \in [0, T]}$  satisfies

$$|F(h_t)| \leq C \text{ and } \lim_{t \rightarrow T} D(h_t) < 1 + \varepsilon$$

then  $h_t$  can be extended beyond  $T$ .

Future work

We want to apply this thm  
to prove "lbmcf does not  
develop type I sing if initial  
is graded" (as Wang and Neves.)



## §2 The moduli space of dHYM connections.

(joint work with Kawai Gakushuin)

I switch the subject from  
dHYM metric to dHYM connections.

$M_{\text{slag}}$  is smooth, finite. dim.

⊛ The same property holds for dHYM.

Setting

$(X, \omega)$  : compact Kähler with  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = n$ .

$L \rightarrow X$  : smooth  $\mathbb{C}$ -bdl with Herm metric  $h$

Fix  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$M := \{ \text{dHYM conn. with } e^{i\theta} \} / U(1)\text{-gauge}$$

↑  
moduli dHYM

Thm (Kawai-Y.)

If  $M \neq \emptyset$ , then  $M$  is a  
smooth mfd with  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} M = 2n$   
 $\leftarrow$  1st Betti number of  $X$

In addition,

- $M$  admits an affine structure.
- $M$  is orientable.

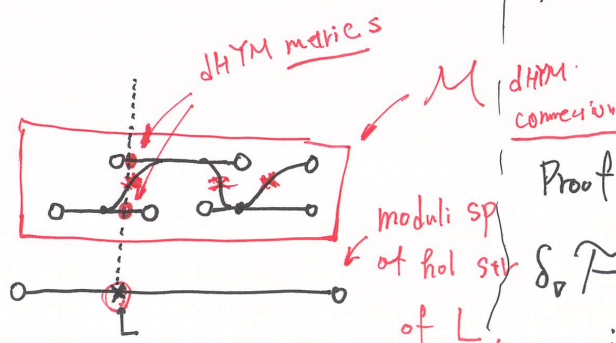
## Implication

[1] For any  $\nabla \in M$ ,  
all  $\nabla' \in M$  (sufficiently close to  
 $\nabla$ ) is written as

$$\nabla + \alpha$$

(where  $\alpha \in H^1(X)$ )  $\leftarrow$  Parabolic 1-form on  $X$ .

[2]



(Proof) of Main thm

$\theta = 0$  for simplicity.

Put  $\mathcal{A} := \{ \nabla \mid \text{Herm conn. of } (L, h) \}$

$\tilde{F} : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \Omega^{0,2} \oplus \Omega^{2n}$  by

$$\tilde{F}(A) := (F_{\nabla}^{0,2}, \text{Im}(\omega + F_{\nabla})^n)$$

$$M = \tilde{F}^{-1}(0,0) / U(1)\text{-gauge.}$$

Proof is the implicit func. thm.

$\delta_{\nabla} \tilde{F} : T_{\nabla} \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \Omega^{0,2} \oplus \Omega^{2n}$   
is very complicated.

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Define

$$\tilde{\omega}_\nabla := \left( \frac{1}{R(\nabla)} \right)^{\frac{1}{n-1}} \times \left( \text{id}_{T_X} + \frac{F_\nabla^\#}{\sqrt{-1}} \right)^* \omega$$

 $\uparrow$  Hermitian metric on  $X$ 

This is not Kähler

but is balanced ( $d\tilde{\omega}_\nabla^{n-1} = 0$ ).By using  $\tilde{\omega}_\nabla$ ,  $\delta_\nabla \mathcal{F}$  can be expressed simply.

$$\leadsto \dim \ker \delta_\nabla \mathcal{F} = b'(X).$$

$$h \in \Gamma(X, L^* \otimes L)$$

$$h: X \rightarrow L^* \otimes L$$

# Lagrangian mean curvature flows with generalized perpendicular symmetries

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**ABSTRACT.** We show a method of constructing an invariant Lagrangian mean curvature flow in a Calabi-Yau manifold with the use of generalized perpendicular symmetries. We use moment maps of the action of Lie groups, which are not necessarily abelian. We also show a general way to construct an invariant mean curvature flow in a Riemannian manifold.

## 1 Preliminaries

**Definition 1.** Let  $\phi : \Sigma \rightarrow M$  be an immersion from a manifold  $\Sigma$  to a manifold  $M$ . For a smooth map

$$\begin{cases} F : \Sigma \times [0, T) \rightarrow M; & (p, t) \mapsto F_t(p) \\ F_0 = \phi \end{cases},$$

if  $F_t(\cdot) : \Sigma \rightarrow M$  is an immersion for any  $t \in [0, T)$ , then we call  $F$  a *deformation* of  $\phi$ .

**Definition 2.** Let  $\phi : \Sigma \rightarrow (M, g)$  be an immersion from a manifold  $\Sigma$  to a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ . The *mean curvature flow*  $F = (F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  of  $\phi$  is the deformation of  $\phi$  such that it is a smooth solution of the following partial differential equation for the mean curvature vector field  $\mathcal{H}^t$  of  $F_t$ :  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} F(p, t) = \mathcal{H}^t(p)$ .

## 2 Constructions of invariant mean curvature flows

Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold,  $H$  a Lie group which acts on  $M$ ,  $K$  a closed subgroup of  $H$ ,  $Z(\mathfrak{h}^*)$  the center of the Lie coalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $L_h : M \rightarrow M$  the translation by an element  $h \in H$ ,  $\xi^\#$  a fundamental vector field generated by  $\xi \in \mathfrak{h} =: \text{Lie}(H)$ ,  $L^K$  a subset in  $L$  defined by  $L^K = \{p \in L \mid H_p = K\}$  for any submanifold  $L$  of  $M$ , where  $H_p$  is the isotropy subgroup of  $H$  at  $p \in L$ ,  $V$  a submanifold of  $M$  such that  $V \subset M^K$ ,  $\phi_V : (H/K) \times V \rightarrow M$  a map defined by  $(hK, p) \mapsto hp$ . We also use these notations in the following section.

**Definition 3.** If the map  $\phi_V$  is an immersion with the mean curvature vector field  $\mathcal{H}$  and it holds that

$$\mathcal{H}(hK, p) = (L_h)_* \mathcal{H}(K, p) \quad ((hK, p) \in (H/K) \times V),$$

then we say that  $V$  has the *property* (\*). Moreover, if there exists a deformation  $f : V \times [0, T) \rightarrow M^K$  of  $V$  such that the immersed submanifold  $V_t := f_t(V)$  also has the property (\*), we say that  $f$  *preserves* the property (\*) of  $V$ .

**Definition 4.** Suppose there exists a deformation  $f : V \times [0, T) \rightarrow M^K$ . If  $\phi_{V_t}$  is an immersion for any  $t \in [0, T)$ , the following map  $F$  defines a deformation of  $\phi_{V_0}$  and we say  $F$  the *expansion* of  $f$ :

$$F : (H/K) \times V \times [0, T) \rightarrow M; \quad (hK, p, t) \mapsto hf_t(p).$$

**Theorem 1.** Suppose a submanifold  $V \subset M^K$  has the property  $(*)$  and there exists a deformation  $f : V \times [0, T) \rightarrow M^K$  of  $V$  with the expansion  $F$  satisfying the followings.

(i) For any  $t \in [0, T)$  and any  $p \in V$ , it holds that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} F_t(K, p) = \mathcal{H}^t(K, p)$ , and

(ii) the deformation  $f$  preserves the property  $(*)$ ,

where,  $\mathcal{H}^t$  is the mean curvature vector field of the immersion  $F_t$ . Then, the family of maps  $(F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  is the mean curvature flow of the map  $\phi_V$ .

**Corollary 1.** Suppose that a submanifold  $V \subset M^K$  has the property  $(*)$  and there exists a vector field  $A$  satisfying the followings.

(i.a) The vector field  $A$  generates a deformation  $f : V \times [0, T) \rightarrow M^K$  of  $V$  with the expansion  $F$ ,

(i.b) for any  $t \in [0, T)$  and any  $p \in V$ , it holds that  $\mathcal{H}^t(K, p) = A_{f_t(p)}$ , and

(ii) the deformation  $f$  preserves the property  $(*)$ .

Then, the family of maps  $(F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  is the mean curvature flow of the map  $\phi_V$ .

We note that for a given submanifold  $V$ , if we find a vector field  $A$  satisfying the condition (i.b), then the condition (i.a) is an ordinary differential equation.

### 3 Constructions of invariant Lagrangian mean curvature flows

We show a method of constructing a Lagrangian mean curvature flow in a Calabi-Yau manifold by the corollary above, using generalized perpendicular symmetries.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(M, I, g, \Omega)$  be a connected Calabi-Yau manifold with a complex structure  $I$ , Kähler metric  $g$  and a Calabi-Yau structure  $\Omega$ ,  $H$  a connected Lie group which acts on  $M$  preserving  $I$  and  $g$  with a moment map  $\mu : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $K$  a closed subgroup of  $H$  such that  $H/K$  is orientable and the  $K$ -action preserves  $\Omega$ ,  $L$  a special Lagrangian submanifold,  $c \in Z(\mathfrak{h}^*)$ ,  $V_c$  an  $(n - \dim(H/K))$ -dimensional submanifold of  $M$  such that  $V_c \subset \mu^{-1}(c) \cap L^K$  and  $\phi_{V_c}$  is an immersion. Then, it holds that

(1) the map  $\phi_{V_c}$  is a Lagrangian immersion, and

(2) there exists a vector field  $A_H$  along  $L^K$  such that

$$\mathcal{H}^c(hK, p) = (A_H)_{hp} + (L_h)_{*p} I_p \{ (\text{grad}_{\phi_{V_c}^* g} \theta_c(K, \cdot))_p \} \quad ((hK, p) \in (H/K) \times V_c)$$

holds, where  $\mathcal{H}^c$  is the mean curvature vector field of  $\phi_{V_c}$  and  $\theta_c : (H/K) \times V_c \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}$  is the Lagrangian angle of  $\phi_{V_c}$ .

Moreover, suppose that  $A_H$  generates a deformation  $f : V_c \times [0, T) \rightarrow L^K$  with the expansion  $F$  and for any  $t \in [0, T)$  and  $V_t := f_t(V_c)$ , the following condition holds.

$$\xi_p^\# \in T_p^\perp L \oplus T_p V_c \text{ and } \xi_p^\# \notin T_p V_c \setminus \{0\} \quad (\text{“generalized perpendicular condition”}).$$

Then, the family of maps  $(F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  is the Lagrangian mean curvature flow of  $\phi_{V_c}$ .

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# Lagrangian mean curvature flows with generalized perpendicular symmetries

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Submanifolds of Symmetric Spaces and Their Time Evolutions

## §1. Goals

### •Goal (general cases) :

To construct **mean curvature flows** by **symmetries of Lie groups** in **Riemannian mfd**s.

### •Goal (special cases) :

To construct **Lagrangian mean curvature flows** by **generalized perpendicular symmetries of Lie groups** in **Calabi-Yau mfd**s.

§2. Previous Researches

•Previous Researches:

Yamamoto(2016)	
construct	generalized Lag MCF
in	toric almost Calabi-Yau mfd
using	moment map & toric symm.
Konno(2018)	
construct	Lag MCF
in	Calabi-Yau mfd
using	moment map & perp. symm. of abelian actions

•Our Researches:

Ours (general cases)	
construct	MCF
in	Riem. mfd
using	symm. of general actions
Ours (special cases)	
construct	Lag MCF
in	Calabi-Yau mfd
using	moment map & generalized perp. symm. of general actions

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§3. Overview

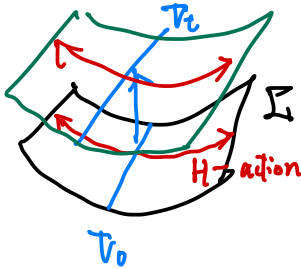
How to construct MCF by symm. of Lie groups  
 $M$  : Riem. mfd,  $H$ : Lie grp s.t.  $H \curvearrowright M$ ,  
 $\Sigma$ :  $H$ -invariant submfd of  $M$ .

Step.1 Find a nice sumfd  $V_0 \subset \Sigma$  s.t.  $H \cdot V_0 = \Sigma$ .

Step.2 Study how  $V_0$  is deformed by the MCF of  $\Sigma$ .

Step.3 Have the MCF of  $\Sigma$  by  $\Sigma_t := H \cdot V_t$ .

$H \curvearrowright M$



## §4. Preliminaries

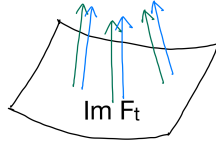
**Def. 1** Let  $\phi : \Sigma \xrightarrow{\text{mfd}} M$  be an immersion. For a smooth map

$$\begin{cases} F : \Sigma \times [0, T] \rightarrow M; & (p, t) \mapsto F_t(p) \\ F_0 = \phi \end{cases},$$

if  $F_t(\cdot) : \Sigma \rightarrow M$  is an immersion for  $\forall t \in [0, T]$ , then we call  $F$  the **deformation** of  $\phi$  (or  $\Sigma$ ).

Let  $\phi : \Sigma \xrightarrow{\text{mfd}} (M, g) \xrightarrow{\text{Riem.mfd}}$  be an immersion. The **mean curvature flow**  $F = (F_t)_{t \in [0, T]}$  of  $\phi$  is the deformation of  $\phi$  s.t. it is a smooth solution of the following PDE:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} F(p, t) = \mathcal{H}^t(p) \quad \text{w/ } \mathcal{H}^t : \text{mcv of } F_t.$$

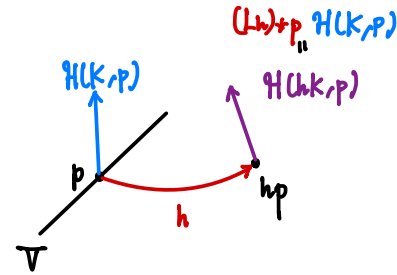


**Fact. 2** MCF preserves the “Lagrangeness” in Kähler-Einstein mfd.

## §5. Constructions of MCFs

• Setting (\*1):

- $(M, g)$ : Riem. mfd,
- $H$ : Lie grp s.t.  $H \curvearrowright M$ ,
- $K$ : closed subgrp of  $H$ ,
- $V$ : submfd of  $M$  s.t.  $V \subset M^K$ .



**Def. 3** Under (\*1),

$Z(\mathfrak{h}^*)$ : the center of the Lie coalgebra  $\mathfrak{h}^*$ ,

$L^K := \{p \in L \mid H_p = K\}$ , w/ $L$ : any submfd of  $M$ ,

$\phi_V : (H/K) \times V \rightarrow M; \quad (hK, p) \mapsto hp$ .

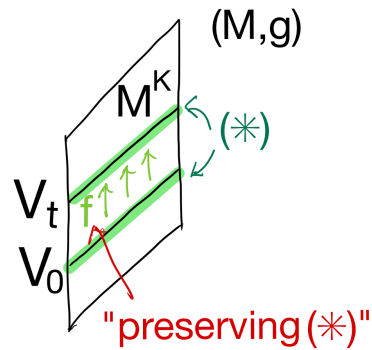
**Def. 4 (property (\*))** Under (\*1), if  $\phi_V$  is an immersion & its mean curvature vectors are  $H$ -invariant, i.e., it holds that

$$\mathcal{H}(hK, p) = (L_h)_* \mathcal{H}(K, p), \quad (*)$$

then we say that  $V$  has the **property (\*)** wrt the  $H$ -actions.



**Def. 5 (preserve the property (\*))** Let  $V_0$  is a submfd of  $M$  s.t.  $V_0 \subset M^K$  & has the property (\*). Under (\*1), if  $\exists$  a deformation of  $V_0$  in  $M^K$  &  $V_t := f_t(V)$  also has the property (\*), we say that  $f$  **preserves** the property (\*) of  $V_0$ .



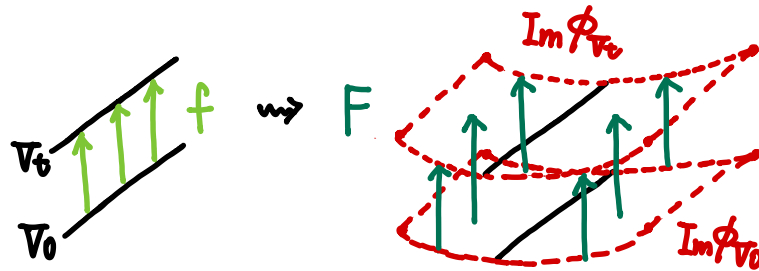
Under (\*1), suppose that  $\exists$  a deformation  $f : V_0 \times [0, T) \rightarrow M^K$ .

**Def. 6 (expansion of deformation)** If  $\phi_{V_t}$  is an immersion for  $\forall t \in [0, T)$ , we can define a deformation  $F$  of  $\phi_{V_0}$  by

$$F : (H/K) \times V_0 \times [0, T) \rightarrow M; \quad (hK, p, t) \mapsto hf_t(p) =: F_t(hK, p).$$

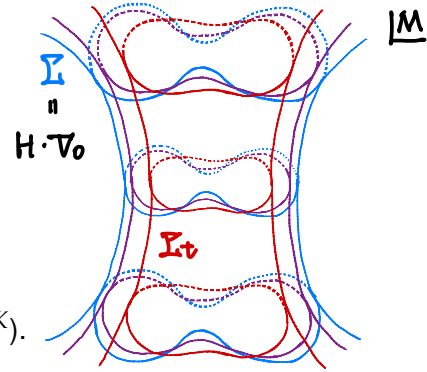
We call  $F$  the **expansion** of  $f$ .

We denote the mean curvature vector of  $F_t$  by  $\mathcal{H}^t$ .



• Setting (\*2):

- $(M, g)$ : Riem. mfd,
- $H$ : Lie grp s.t.  $H \curvearrowright M$ ,
- $K$ : closed subgrp of  $H$ ,
- $V_0$ : submfd with (\*) of  $M$  ( s.t.  $V_0 \subset M^K$ ).



**Thm. 7** Under (\*2), suppose that  $\exists$  a deformation  $f$  of  $V_0$  with its expansion  $F$  satisfying (i) & (ii):

(i) For  $\forall t \in [0, T), \forall p \in V_0$ ,

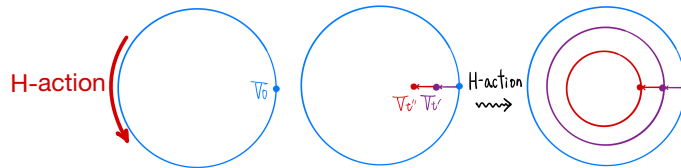
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} F_t(K, p) = \mathcal{H}^t(K, p) \quad (\text{"restricted MCF condition"}),$$

(ii)  $f$  preserves the property (\*).

Then,  $(F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  is the MCF of  $\phi_{V_0}$ .

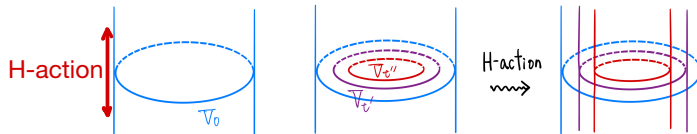
**e.g. 8 (circle, sphere)**

$\phi : S^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ ,  $V_0 := \text{single point}$ ,  $H := SO(n+1)$ .



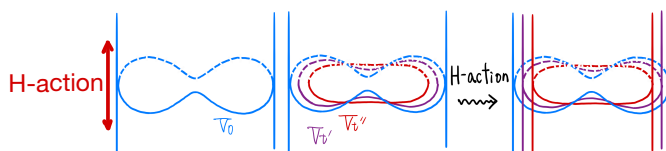
**e.g. 9 (cylinder)**

$\phi : S^m \times \mathbb{R}^{n-m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ ,  $V_0 := S^m$ ,  $H := \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$ .



**e.g. 10 (generalized cylinder)**

$$\phi : M^m \times \mathbb{R}^{n-m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n+1}, \quad V_0 := M, \quad H := \mathbb{R}^{n-m}.$$



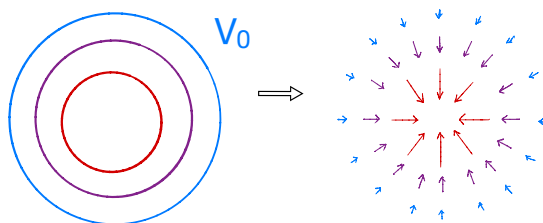
Question: How to reduce the restricted MCF eq to an ODE ?

► Additional assumption:

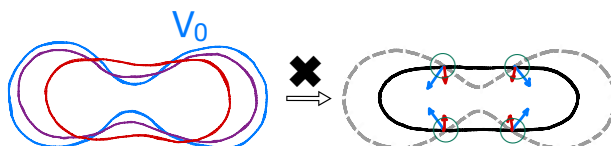
The evolution of the restricted MCF forms a vector field of the mean curvature vectors.

**e.g. 11**

(1) *The MCF of  $S^n$  forms a vector field of their mcv.*



(2) *The MCF of Dumbbell-like surfaces do not.*



**Cor. 12** Under (\*2), suppose that the restricted MCF of  $(V_0, \phi_{V_0})$  forms a vector field  $A$ , i.e.,  $\exists$  a vector field  $A$  satisfying (i.a) & (i.b):

(i.a)  $A$  generates a deformation  $f$  of  $V_0$  in  $M^K$  with  $F$ , i.e.,

$$\frac{d}{dt}F_t(K, p) = A_{f_t(p)} \quad (\forall p \in V_0, \forall t \in [0, T)) \quad \leftarrow \text{ODE}$$

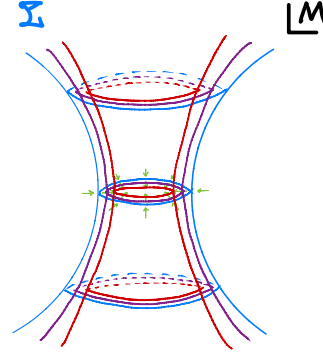
(i.b) For  $\forall t \in [0, T)$  &  $p \in V_0$ ,

$$\mathcal{H}^t(K, p) = A_{f_t(p)}.$$

Moreover, suppose that

(ii)  $f$  preserves the property (\*).

Then,  $(F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  is the MCF of  $\phi_{V_0}$ .



$\leadsto$  How to find  $V_0$  with  $A$  satisfying (i.b) for constructing Lag MCFs in CY mfd's ?

## §6. Constructions of Lag MCFs

•Setting (\*3):

- $(M, \omega)$ :  $2n$ -dim $_{\mathbb{R}}$  symp. mfd,
- $H$ : Lie grp s.t.  $H \curvearrowright (M, \omega)$  with moment map  $\mu : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,
- $K$ : closed subgrp of  $H$ ,
- $V_c$ : submfd of  $M$  s.t.  $V_c \subset M^K$ ,
- $\phi_{V_c}$ : immersion.

**Prop. 13** Under (\*3), suppose

- (i)  $V_c$  is isotropic,
- (ii) ("moment map condition")  $V_c \subset \mu^{-1}(c)$  for  $c \in Z(\mathfrak{h}^*)$ .
- (iii)  $\dim H/K + \dim V_c = n$

Then  $\phi_{V_c}$  is Lagrangian. Conversely, if  $\phi_{V_c}$  is connected & Lagrangian, then (i), (ii) and (iii) hold.

**Def. 14 (Lagrangian angle)**  $(M, I, g, \Omega)$ : Calabi-Yau mfd,  $L$ : oriented Lag submfd of  $M$ ,

$$\theta : L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z} : \textbf{Lagrangian angle} : \Leftrightarrow \iota^*\Omega = e^{\sqrt{-1}\theta} \text{vol}_{\iota^*g}$$

w/  $\iota : L \rightarrow M$ : inclusion map.

$$L : \textbf{special Lagrangian submfd} : \Leftrightarrow \theta \equiv \text{const.}$$

**Prop. 15**  $\mathcal{H}(p)$ : mean curvature vector of  $L$  at  $p \in L$ . Then,

$$\mathcal{H}(p) = I_{\iota(p)} \{ \iota_* p (\text{grad}_{\iota^*g} \theta)_p \}.$$

• Setting (\*4):

- $(M, I, \omega, \Omega)$ : connected Calabi-Yau mfd,
- $H$ : connected Lie grp s.t.  $H \curvearrowright (M, I, \omega)$   
with moment map  $\mu : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,
- $K$ : closed subgrp of  $H$  s.t.  $H/K$ : orientable &  $K \curvearrowright \Omega$ ,
- $V_c$ : orientable submfd of  $M$  s.t.  $V_c \subset \mu^{-1}(c) \cap M^K$ ,
- $\phi_{V_c}$ : Lag immersion.

**Prop. 16** Under (\*4),

$$(1) \quad \theta_c(hK, p) = \exists \theta_H(hK) + \exists \theta_{V_c}(p), \quad \text{w/ } \theta_c : \text{Lag angle of } \phi_{V_c},$$

$\uparrow$  defined only by  $(M, H, K)$

$$(2) \quad \mathcal{H}^c(hK, p) = \exists (A_H)_{hp} + (L_h)_* p I_p \{ (\text{grad}_{\phi_{V_c}^* g} \theta_{V_c})_p \},$$

$\uparrow$  defined only by  $(M, H, K)$

w/  $\mathcal{H}^c$ : MCV of  $\phi_{V_c}$ .

If  $\theta_{V_c} \equiv \text{const.} \curvearrowright \mathcal{H}^c = A_H$  holds and  $V_c$  accomodates to Cor.12

• Setting (\*5):

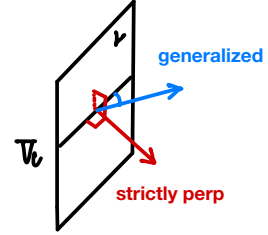
- $(M, I, \omega, \Omega)$ : connected Calabi-Yau mfd,
- $H$ : connected Lie grp s.t.  $H \curvearrowright (M, I, \omega)$   
with moment map  $\mu : M \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,
- $K$ : closed subgrp of  $H$  s.t.  $H/K$ : orientable &  $K \curvearrowright \Omega$ ,
- $A_H$ : vector field along  $M^K$  as in Prop.16
- $L$ : special Lag submfd with Lag angle  $\theta(p) \equiv \theta$ ,
- $c \in Z(\mathfrak{h}^*)$ ,
- $V_c$ :  $(n - \dim(H/K))$ -dim submfd of  $M$  s.t.  $V_c \subset \mu^{-1}(c) \cap L^K$ .

**Prop. 17** Under (\*5), suppose

$$\forall p \in V_c, \forall \xi \in \mathfrak{h}, \quad \xi_p^\# \in T_p^\perp L \oplus T_p V_c \text{ \& } \xi_p^\# \notin T_p V_c \setminus \{0\}. \\ \text{("generalized perp. condition")}$$

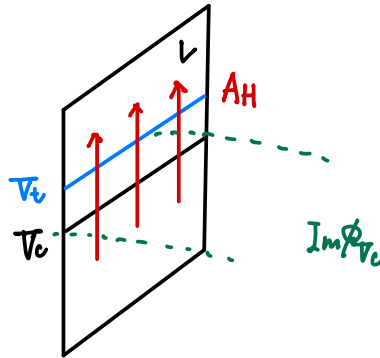
Then,

- (1)  $\theta_{V_c}(p) = \theta - \frac{\pi}{2} \dim(H/K), \quad \leftarrow \text{const.}$
- (2)  $\mathcal{H}^c(hK, p) = (A_H)_{hp}$ .



**Thm. 18** Under (\*5), suppose that  $A_H$  generates a deformation  $f : V_c \times [0, T) \rightarrow L^K$  with its expansion  $F$ , and for  $\forall t \in [0, T)$  and  $V_t := f_t(V_c)$ , the generalized perpendicular condition holds.

Then,  $A_H$  and  $V_c$  satisfies the condition of Cor.12 and  $(F_t)_{t \in [0, T)}$  is a Lag MCF of  $\phi_{V_c}$ .



## §7. Examples

$T^*S^n$ .

$A_n \equiv 0$

e.g. 19	construct	Lag self-similar solution
	in	$\mathbb{C}^4$
	using	strictly perp. symm. of $U(1) \times SO(3)$

e.g. 20	construct	Lag MCF
	in	$\mathbb{C}^5$
	using	gen. perp. symm. of $\mathbb{R} \times SO(2)$

e.g. 21	construct	Lag translating soliton
	in	$\mathbb{C}^5$
	using	strictly perp. symm. of $U(1) \times SO(3)$

e.g. 22	construct	Lag translating soliton
	in	$\mathbb{C}^6$
	using	gen. perp. symm. of $\mathbb{R} \times SO(2)$

Thank you very much for your attention.

# Ricci flow, heat equation, Liouville type theorem

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**ABSTRACT.** In this talk, we will see a Liouville type theorem for heat equation along ancient (super) Ricci flow using Perelman's reduced distance.

## 1. Liouville theorems

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be a complete Riemannian manifold with  $\text{Ric} \geq -K$  ( $K \geq 0$ ) and  $B_R(x_0)$  be a geodesic ball on  $M$  centered at  $x_0 \in M$  with radius  $R > 0$ . In 1975, Cheng-Yau established a gradient estimate for positive harmonic function  $u : B_R(x_0) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ;

$$\frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \sqrt{K} \right) \quad \text{on } B_{\frac{R}{2}}(x_0),$$

where  $C_n$  is a constant depending only on  $n$ . When  $K = 0$ , Cheng-Yau's gradient estimate implies the celebrated Yau's Liouville theorem, that is, positive harmonic function on a complete Riemannian manifold with  $\text{Ric} \geq 0$  must be constant.

A parabolic analogue of this theory is considered by Souplet-Zhang [2]. They obtained a space-only gradient estimate for a positive solution to the heat equation on a Riemannian manifold with  $\text{Ric} \geq -K$ . More precisely, they showed that for a positive solution to  $\partial_t u = \Delta u$ ,  $0 < u \leq A$  on a parabolic cylinder  $Q_{R,T}(x_0, t_0) = B_R(x_0) \times [t_0 - T, t_0]$ ,

$$\frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} + \sqrt{K} \right) \left( 1 + \log \frac{A}{u} \right) \quad \text{on } Q_{\frac{R}{2}, \frac{T}{4}}(x_0, t_0).$$

As a corollary, they showed Liouville type results for ancient solutions (i.e., solutions defined for all the negative time  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$ ) to heat equation on a complete Riemannian manifold with  $\text{Ric} \geq 0$ ;

- (a1) **positive** ancient solution  $u$  with  $u(x, t) = \exp[o(d_g(x) + \sqrt{|t|})]$  near infinity must be constant,
- (b1) ancient solution  $u$  with  $u(x, t) = o(d_g(x) + \sqrt{|t|})$  near infinity must be constant.

Without the growth conditions, there exist nontrivial ancient solutions. For (a1), we know a positive ancient solution  $u(x, t) = e^{x+t}$  on  $M = \mathbb{R}$  which does not satisfy the growth condition. Likewise, we have another example for (b1):  $u(x, t) = x$ . This is a static ancient solution on  $M = \mathbb{R}$  which does not satisfy the growth condition. In this sense, Souplet-Zhang's growth conditions are essential and sharp in the space direction.



## 2. Main results

In this talk, we will see that the analogous results to Souplet-Zhang hold under Ricci flow background. Although it is natural to consider the time-dependent Riemannian distance  $d_{g(t)}(x)$ , one finds that it does not work well. The problem is that the condition  $\text{Ric} \geq -K$  is not sufficient to estimate the time derivative of  $d_{g(t)}(x)$ . If we additionally impose  $\text{Ric} \geq -K$ , then it is possible to estimate the time derivative of  $d_{g(t)}(x)$  and we can obtain a gradient estimate as above. However, in order to derive Liouville type results, this situation can deal with only trivial situation, i.e., Ricci flat ( $K = 0$ ).

To overcome this difficulty, we adopt Perelman's reduced geometry. In reduced geometry, it is natural to use reverse time parameter  $\tau := -t$ . Instead of  $d_{g(t)}(x)$ , we adopt the so-called reduced distance  $\ell(x, \tau)$ . This makes it possible for us to avoid the estimate of time-derivative of  $d_{g(t)}(x)$ .

Here, we will consider more general situation than the Ricci flow. Let  $(M, g(\tau))$  be a time-dependent Riemannian manifold,  $\tau \in [0, \infty)$ . Set  $h := \frac{1}{2}\partial_\tau g$  and  $H := \text{tr}_g h$ . For  $(x, \tau) \in M \times (0, \infty)$ , let  $L(x, \tau)$  stand for the  $L$ -distance from a space-time base point  $(x_0, 0)$ , i.e., the infimum of the so-called  $\mathcal{L}$ -length over all curves  $\gamma : [0, \tau] \rightarrow M$  with  $\gamma(0) = x_0$  and  $\gamma(\tau) = x$ . We only consider the case that the infimum is achieved by a minimal  $\mathcal{L}$ -geodesic. Then the reduced distance from  $(x_0, 0)$  and its squared root is defined by

$$\ell(x, \tau) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\tau}}L(x, \tau), \quad \mathfrak{d}(x, \tau) = \sqrt{4\tau\ell(x, \tau)}.$$

In the static case of  $g(\tau) \equiv g$ , it holds that  $\ell(x, \tau) = d_g(x)^2/4\tau$ . Moreover, we introduce the Müller quantity  $\mathcal{D}(V)$  and the trace Harnack quantity  $\mathcal{H}(V)$  for (time-dependent) vector field  $V$  on  $M$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(V) &:= -\partial_\tau H - \Delta H - 2\|h\|^2 + \text{div}h(V) - 2g(\nabla H, V) + 2\text{Ric} - 2h(V, V), \\ \mathcal{H}(V) &:= -\partial_\tau H - \frac{H}{\tau} - 2g(\nabla H, V) + 2h(V, V). \end{aligned}$$

**Main Theorem.** (K.-Sakurai [1]) *Let  $(M, g(\tau))_{\tau \in [0, \infty)}$  be a complete ancient backward super Ricci flow  $\text{Ric} \geq h$  with  $\mathcal{D}(V) \geq 0$ ,  $\mathcal{H}(V) \geq -H/\tau$  and  $H \geq 0$  for any  $V$ . Then,*

- (a2) **positive** ancient solution to  $\partial_\tau u = -\Delta_{g(\tau)}u$  with  $u(x, \tau) = \exp[o(\mathfrak{d}(x, \tau) + \sqrt{\tau})]$  near infinity must be constant;
- (b2) ancient solution to  $\partial_\tau u = -\Delta_{g(\tau)}u$  with  $u(x, \tau) = o(\mathfrak{d}(x, \tau) + \sqrt{\tau})$  near infinity must be constant.

**Remark.** For a static manifold with  $\text{Ric} \geq 0$ , all the assumptions automatically hold and  $\mathfrak{d}(x, \tau) = d_g(x)$ . So, our theorem includes Souplet-Zhang's Liouville type result. As for the Ricci flow  $\text{Ric} = h$  with bounded nonnegative curvature operator  $\text{Rm}$ , again all the assumptions are satisfied and we obtain a Liouville type result.

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History of Liouville theorems

- Bounded hol. fct. on  $\mathbb{C}$
  - " harmonic " on  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- $\left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \end{matrix}} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{const.}$

Yau '75  $(M^n, g) : \text{cpld Ric} \geq 0$

$u > 0$  : harmonic fct.

$\Rightarrow u \equiv \text{const.}$

Rem  $u$  : b'dd  $\rightsquigarrow u > 0$

Cheng-Yau '75 : Local grad. estimate

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$$\text{Ric} \geq -K \quad (K \geq 0)$$



$$u : B(x_0, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

positive harmonic fct.

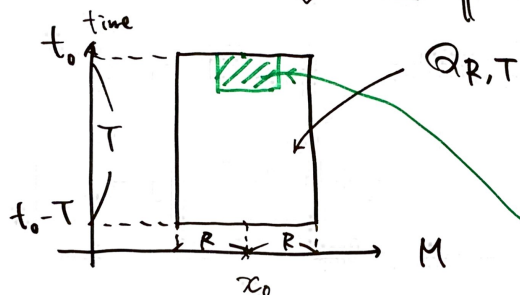
$$\text{Then, } \frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \sqrt{K} \right) \text{ in } B(x_0, \frac{R}{2})$$

$K=0, R \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$  Liouville thm.

Heat eq. on  $(M, g)$  : cpl't,  $\text{Ric} \geq -K$

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$$\partial_t u = \Delta u \text{ in } \underbrace{B(x_0, R) \times [t_0 - T, t_0]}_{Q_{R,T}}$$



Li-Yau '86 :  $\forall a > 0$

$$\frac{|\nabla u|^2}{u^2} - a \frac{\partial_t u}{u} \leq C_{n,a} \left( \frac{1}{R^2} + \frac{1}{T} + K \right) \text{ in } \underline{Q_{\frac{R}{2}, \frac{T}{4}}}$$

$\leadsto$  does not imply Liouville result.

Souplet - Zhang '06 : Same setting as LY. 14

$$\partial_t u = \Delta u, \quad 0 < u \leq A \text{ in } \mathbb{Q}_{R,T}$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} + \sqrt{K} \right) (1 + \log \frac{A}{u}) \text{ in } \mathbb{Q}_{\frac{R}{2}, \frac{T}{4}}$$

Cor. Ric  $\geq 0$  ( $K = 0$ )

(a)  $u > 0$  ancient sol,  $t \in (-\infty, 0]$

$$\text{with } u(x, t) = \exp[o(d_g(x) + \sqrt{|H|})] \text{ near } \partial \mathbb{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow u \equiv \text{const.} \quad u(x, t) = e^{x+t} > 0 \text{ on } \mathbb{R}$$

(b)  $u$  : ancient.

$$\text{with } u(x, t) = o(d(x) + \sqrt{|H|}) \text{ near } \partial \mathbb{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow u \equiv \text{const.} \quad u(x, t) = x \text{ on } \mathbb{R}$$

Today : Ricci flow ver. of SZ. 15

$$\begin{cases} (M, g(t)) : \partial_t g = -2\text{Ric}(g(t)), \text{ ancient.} \\ \partial_t u = \Delta_{g(t)} u \end{cases}$$

In the following  $\tau := -t$ ,  $\tau \in [0, \infty)$

	SZ		KS
curv.	$\text{Ric} \geq 0$	$\longrightarrow$	$R_{\text{m}} \geq 0$ , bounded
dist.	$d_g(x)$	$\longrightarrow$	$\bar{d}(x, \tau) = \sqrt{4\tau} \, \bar{l}(x, \tau)$
	$x_0 \in M$ : fixed		<div style="color: red;"> <math>g(\tau) \equiv g</math>  <math>\leadsto \bar{l} = \frac{d^2}{4\tau}</math> </div> <div style="color: red; margin-top: 10px;"> reduced dist.  from <math>(x_0, 0)</math> </div>

Thm A (K. - Sakurai '20) [6]

$$(M, g(\tau))_{\tau \in [0, \infty)} : \partial_\tau g = 2 \text{Ric} \quad \text{backward RF.}$$

$$R_m \geq 0, \text{ bounded}$$

Then,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(a)} \quad \partial_\tau u = -\Delta u, \quad u > 0 \quad \text{in} \quad M \times [0, \infty) \\ \quad \text{with} \quad u(x, \tau) = \exp [o(\bar{d}(x, \tau) + \sqrt{\tau})] \\ \Rightarrow u \equiv \text{const.} \\ \text{(b)} \quad \partial_\tau u = -\Delta u \quad \text{in} \quad M \times [0, \infty) \\ \quad \text{with} \quad u(x, \tau) = o(\bar{d}(x, \tau) + \sqrt{\tau}) \\ \Rightarrow u \equiv \text{const.} \end{array} \right.$$

*same as SZ.*

Rem. Bailesteanu-Cao-Pulemotov '10 : grad. est. using  $(d_{g(\tau)})$   $|Ric| \leq K$

Proof of SZ '06.  $Ric \geq -K$  [7]

w.l.o.g.  $0 < u \leq 1$  in  $Q_{R,T}$ .

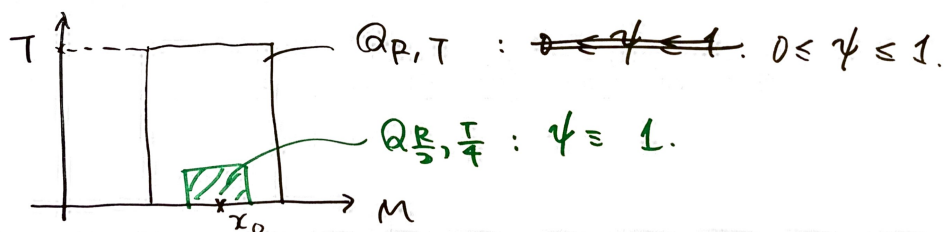
$$f := \log u, \quad w := \frac{|\nabla f|^2}{(1-f)^2} \quad -\partial_\tau u$$

$$\text{Bochner formula: } \frac{1}{2} \Delta |\nabla u|^2 = \langle \nabla \Delta u, \nabla u \rangle + |\text{Hess} u|^2 + \text{Ric}(\nabla u, \nabla u) \\ \geq -K |\nabla u|^2$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\text{Some estimate} \quad (\partial_\tau + \Delta) w \geq \text{[shaded box]} \quad \dots (*)$$

Cutoff fct.  $\psi = \psi(d(x), \tau)$  supported on  $Q_{R,T}$



$\psi w$  attains max in  $Q_{R,T}$

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$$\underbrace{\Delta(\psi w)}_{\Delta d} \leq 0, \quad \underbrace{\partial_\tau(\psi w)}_{\partial_\tau d = 0}, \quad \nabla(\psi w) = 0.$$

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $\text{Ric} \geq -K.$  in  $SZ$ .

Combining this with (\*), we have

$$\frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} + \sqrt{K} \right) (1 + \log \frac{1}{u}) \quad \text{in } Q_{\frac{R}{2}, \frac{T}{4}}$$

•  $K = 0, \quad R \rightarrow \infty, \quad T \rightarrow \infty$

$\Rightarrow$  Liouville type result (a), (b) in  $SZ$ .

□

BCP '10

$$\begin{cases} \partial_\tau g = 2 \text{Ric} \\ \partial_\tau u = -\Delta_g(\tau) u \end{cases}$$

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Note:  $d(x, \tau) \leftarrow g(\tau) : \mathbb{R}^F$

cutoff.  $\psi = \psi(d(x, \tau), \tau)$

upper bound.

$$\partial_\tau \psi \leadsto \partial_\tau d_g(\tau) \leadsto |\text{Ric}| \leq K \quad \text{Ric} \leq K$$

~~(bound from above)~~

Same argument ~~gives~~ <sup>implies</sup>

$$\frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} + \sqrt{K} \right).$$

□.

K-S '20. Idea: use reduced dist.  $l(x, \tau)$  ||10

$$\bar{d}(x, \tau) := \sqrt{4\tau l(x, \tau)}, \quad l(x, \tau) \geq 0 \text{ if } \text{Scal} \geq 0$$

$$\bar{L} := \bar{d}(x, \tau)^2$$

$R_m \geq 0$ , bounded  $\rightarrow$  Hamilton's trace Harnack ineq.

$$(\partial_\tau + \Delta) \bar{L} \leq 2n$$

$$|\nabla \bar{d}|^2 \leq 3$$

Cutoff fct.  $\psi = \psi(\bar{d}(x, \tau), \tau)$ .

Same arg. as SZ

$$\rightarrow \frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \right) \left( 1 + \log \frac{A}{u} \right) \text{ in } Q_{\frac{R}{2}, \frac{T}{4}}. \quad \square$$

Thm B (K-S '20) ||11

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (M, g(\tau))_{\tau \in [0, \infty)} : \text{backward (G-K)-RF.} \\ \quad \quad \quad (Ric - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\tau g = -K) \\ R_m \geq 0, \text{ bounded} \\ \partial_\tau u = -\Delta u \\ 0 < u \leq A \text{ in } Q_{R, T} = \{(x, \tau) \in M \times [0, T] \mid \bar{d} \leq R\} \end{array} \right.$$

Then,

$$\frac{|\nabla u|}{u} \leq C_n \left( \frac{1}{R} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} + \sqrt{K} \right) \left( 1 + \log \frac{A}{u} \right) \text{ in } Q_{\frac{R}{2}, \frac{T}{4}}.$$



# Antipodal sets of compact symmetric spaces and polars of compact Lie groups

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**ABSTRACT.** This presentation is based on the author's collaboration with Hiroyuki Tasaki. In their former research, Tasaki and the author classified maximal antipodal sets of some classical compact Riemannian symmetric spaces by using their embeddings into connected compact Lie groups as polars. In order to continue the classification of maximal antipodal sets of other compact Riemannian symmetric spaces, their realization as polars of disconnected compact Lie groups is needed. In this presentation the author explain the recent research relating to them.

Let  $M$  be a compact Riemannian symmetric space and  $s_x$  denote the point symmetry at a point  $x$  in  $M$ . A subset  $A$  of  $M$  is called an *antipodal set* if  $s_x(y) = y$  holds for any points  $x, y$  in  $A$ . The *2-number* of  $M$  is the maximum of the cardinalities of antipodal sets. In the 1980's Chen and Nagano introduced these notions and gave detailed studies of the 2-numbers. In the past ten years there was progress on the research of antipodal sets. Our interest has been shifted to maximal antipodal sets themselves rather than their cardinalities. Tasaki and the author classified maximal antipodal subgroups of some classical compact Lie groups  $G$  and gave their explicit descriptions (J. Lie Theory, 2017), and after that, they classified maximal antipodal sets of some classical compact Riemannian symmetric spaces  $M$  (Differential Geom. Appl., 2020). The basic principle is to make use of an embedding of  $M$  into  $G$  as a polar with respect to the identity element and apply the classification of maximal antipodal subgroups of  $G$ . In order to continue the classification of maximal antipodal sets for some other classical compact Riemannian symmetric spaces  $M$ , the realization of  $M$  as a polar of a disconnected compact Lie group is needed. Chen-Nagano (Duke Math. J., 1978) and Nagano (Tokyo J. Math., 1988) gave detailed studies of polars of connected compact Riemannian symmetric spaces. Tasaki and the author studied polars of disconnected compact Lie groups in their submitting paper.

Let  $G$  be a compact Lie group and we denote by  $e$  the identity element of  $G$ . There exists a biinvariant Riemannian metric on  $G$  and  $G$  is a Riemannian symmetric space with respect to the metric. For any  $x \in G$ , the point symmetry at  $x$ , denoted by  $s_x$ , is given by  $s_x(y) = xy^{-1}x$  ( $y \in G$ ). Let  $G$  be a connected compact Lie group and  $\sigma$  be an involutive automorphism of  $G$ . We denote by  $\langle \sigma \rangle$  the subgroup of the group of automorphisms of  $G$  generated by  $\sigma$ . For the semidirect product  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$ ,  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle = (G, e') \cup (G, \sigma)$  is the decomposition into a disjoint union of the connected components, where  $e' = \text{id}_G$  denotes the identity element of  $\langle \sigma \rangle$ . We denote by  $\hat{e}$  the identity element of the semidirect product  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$ . We define the action  $\rho_\sigma$  of  $G$  on  $G$  by  $\rho_\sigma(g)(h) = gh\sigma(g)^{-1}$  ( $g, h \in G$ ), which is called the twisted conjugate action by  $\sigma$ . For an isometry  $f$  of  $G$ , we denote by  $F(f, G)$  the set of fixed points of  $f$ . The following is the main theorem:

**Theorem (Tanaka-Tasaki, submitted).** *Let  $G$  be a connected compact Lie group and  $\sigma$  be an involutive automorphism of  $G$ . Then we obtain*

$$F(s_{\hat{e}}, G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle) = (F(s_e, G), e') \cup (F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma).$$

*In particular, each connected component of  $(F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma)$  is a polar of  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$ . Moreover, the connected component of  $(F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma)$  containing  $(e, \sigma)$  coincides with  $(\rho_\sigma(G) \cdot e, \sigma)$ , where  $\rho_\sigma(G) \cdot e$  is a symmetric space defined by a symmetric pair  $(G, F(\sigma, G))$ , which is realized by the imbedding  $G/F(\sigma, G) \rightarrow G$ ;  $gF(\sigma, G) \mapsto g\sigma(g)^{-1}$ .*

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# **Antipodal sets of compact symmetric spaces and polars of compact Lie groups**

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## 1. Introduction

$M$ : a Riemannian manifold

$M$  is called a **Riemannian symmetric space** if for  $\forall x \in M$ , the **point symmetry**  $s_x$  at  $x$  is given, i.e., (i)  $s_x$  is an isometry of  $M$ , (ii)  $s_x \circ s_x = \text{id}_M$ , (iii)  $x$  is an isolated fixed point of  $s_x$ .

- The differential  $(ds_x)_x$  is  $-\text{id}_{T_x M}$ .
- When  $M$  is connected,  $s_x$  is uniquely determined by (i)-(iii) and  $s_x$  is the geodesic symmetry.

$$F(s_x, M) := \{y \in M \mid s_x(y) = y\}$$

A connected component of  $F(s_x, M)$  is called a **polar** w.r.t.  $x$ .

By (iii),  $\{x\}$  is a polar w.r.t.  $x$ , called the trivial polar.

- A polar  $M^+$  of positive dimension is a totally geodesic submanifold and hence  $M^+$  is a Riemannian symmetric space. The point symmetry at  $y \in M^+$  is given by  $s_y|_{M^+}$ .

- $\mathbb{R}^n$ : Euclidean space,  $F(s_x, \mathbb{R}^n) = \{x\}$
- $S^n$ : a sphere,  $F(s_x, S^n) = \{x, -x\}$

•  $P^n$ : the projective space,  $F(s_x, P^n) = \{x\} \cup P^{n-1}$

( $\cdot$ ) Set  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ , or  $\mathbb{H}$  and denote  $P^n$  by  $\mathbb{K}P^n$ .

Since  $s_x$  is induced by the reflection along

$x$  in  $\mathbb{K}^{n+1}$ ,  $F(s_x, \mathbb{K}P^n) =$

$\{x\} \cup \{1\text{-dim. subspaces in } x^\perp\} (= \mathbb{K}P^{n-1})$ .

• If  $M$  is of noncompact type,  $F(s_x, M) = \{x\}$ .

Hereafter we consider the case where  $M$  is compact.

• A compact connected Riem. sym. sp.  $M$  is

(i) of compact type ( $I(M)$  is compact and semisimple), (ii) a torus, or a product of (i) and (ii) locally.

$A$ : a subset of  $M$

$A$  is called an **antipodal set** if for  $\forall x, y \in A$ ,  $s_x(y) = y$  holds.

For  $\forall x \in A$ ,  $A \subset F(s_x, M)$ .  $x$  is an isolated point in  $F(s_x, M)$  as well as in  $A$ . Thus  $A$  is discrete. Hence an antipodal set is finite.

The **2-number** of  $M$  is  $\#_2 M := \max\{|A| \mid A \subset M : \text{an antipodal set}\}$ .

If  $A$  satisfies  $|A| = \#_2 M$ ,  $A$  is called **great**.

If  $A \subset A'$  implies  $A = A'$ , we say  $A$  is maximal.

- A great antipodal set is maximal but the converse is not true.
- $\#_2 S^n = 2$  and  $\{x, -x\}$  is a great antipodal set.

Bang-Yen Chen and Tadashi Nagano gave detailed studies of the 2-numbers (Chen-Nagano, 1988).

In the past ten years there was progress in the research of antipodal sets. Our interest is in maximal antipodal sets themselves rather than their cardinalities. We are working on the classification of maximal antipodal sets.

- In (T.-Tasaki, 2017) we classified max. antip. subgr. of some classical cpt. Lie groups  $G$ .
  - In (T.-Tasaki, 2020) we classified max. antip. sets of some classical cpt. Riem. sym. sp.  $M$ .
- The basic principle is to make use of an

embedding of  $M$  into  $G$  as a polar w.r.t. the identity element and apply the classification of max. antip. subgr. of  $G$ .

- In order to continue the classification of max. antip. sets for some other classical cpt. Riem. sym. sp.  $M$ , we need a realization of  $M$  as a polar of a **disconnected** cpt. Lie gr.
- Chen-Nagano and Nagano gave detailed studies of polars of connected cpt. Riem. symmetric spaces.
- We studied polars of **disconnected** cpt. Lie groups (T.-Tasaki, submitted).

## 2. Relations between antipodal sets and polars

$G$ : a compact Lie group

$e$ : the identity element of  $G$

$G_0$ : the identity component of  $G$

$\exists$  a biinvariant Riemannian metric on  $G$

$G$  is a compact Riem. symmetric space.

$\forall x \in G, s_x(y) = xy^{-1}x \ (y \in G)$

•  $s_e(y) = y^{-1}, s_x(y) = L_x \circ s_e \circ L_{x^{-1}}(y)$

$F(s_e, G) = \{x \in G \mid x^2 = e\}$

$$F(s_e, G) = \bigcup_{j=0}^r G_j^+, \quad G_j^+ \text{ : a polar, } G_0^+ = \{e\}$$

In general, when a polar consists of a single point  $x$ , we call  $x$  a **pole**.

### Proposition 1

$Z_G(G_0)$ : the centralizer of  $G_0$  in  $G$

$$\tilde{Z}_2(G) := Z_G(G_0) \cap F(s_e, G)$$

- The set of poles coincides with  $\tilde{Z}_2(G)$ .
- For a point  $x$  in  $G_j^+$ ,  $G_j^+ = \{I_g(x) \mid g \in G_0\}$ , where  $I_g(x) = gxg^{-1}$ .

Hence each polar is a  $G_0$ -conjugacy class of involutive elements.

$A$ : an antipodal set of  $G$

We can assume  $e \in A$  by left (or right) translations. Then,

- $x^2 = e$  ( $x \in A$ ),  $xy = yx$  ( $x, y \in A$ ).
- If  $A$  is maximal,  $A$  is a subgroup  $\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

We call such  $A$  a **maximal antipodal subgroup**.



**Example.**  $G = O(n)$ : the orthogonal group

$$G_0 = SO(n)$$

$1_n$ : the identity matrix

$$I_j = \text{diag}(\underbrace{-1, \dots, -1}_j, 1, \dots, 1) \in O(n)$$

$$G_j^+ = \{gI_jg^{-1} \mid g \in SO(n)\}$$

$$\cong SO(n)/S(O(j) \times O(n-j))$$

$= G_j(\mathbb{R}^n)$ : the real Grassmann mfd.

$A_0 = \{\text{diag}(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \mid \epsilon_i = \pm 1\}$  is a maximal antipodal subgroup of  $O(n)$ .

$$\tilde{Z}_2(O(n)) = \{\pm 1_n\}$$

•  $A_0$  is a unique max. antip. subgr. of  $O(n)$  up to conjugation, while a max. antip. subgr. of  $O(n)/\{\pm 1_n\}$  is not unique up to conjugation when  $n$  is even and  $n \geq 4$ .

$M = G_j^+$ : a polar of positive dim.

$M$  is a connected cpt. Riem. sym. sp.

$$x_0 \in M, M = \{I_g(x_0) \mid g \in G_0\}$$

$$\bullet I_0(M) = \{I_g|_M \mid g \in G_0\}$$

• If  $A$  is an antip. set of  $M$ , then  $A \cup \{e\}$  is an antip. set of  $G$ .

- $\exists \tilde{A}$ : a max. antip. subgr.  $A \cup \{e\} \subset \tilde{A}$
- If  $A$  is maximal in  $M$ , then  $A = M \cap \tilde{A}$ .

$C_1, \dots, C_k$ :  $G_0$ -conjugacy classes of maxi. antip. subgr. of  $G$

$B_s$ : a representative of  $C_s$  ( $1 \leq s \leq k$ )

(We gave their explicit descriptions for some classical  $G$ .)

$$\exists g \in G_0, \quad 1 \leq \exists s \leq k, \quad \tilde{A} = I_g(B_s)$$

$$A = M \cap \tilde{A} = M \cap I_g(B_s) = I_g(M \cap B_s)$$

Hence  $A$  is  $I_0(M)$ -congruent to  $M \cap B_s$ .

Therefore, a representative of an  $I_0(M)$ -congruence class of maximal antipodal sets of  $M$  is one of  $M \cap B_1, \dots, M \cap B_k$ .

- Using this principle, for some classical cpt. Riem. sym. sp.  $M$ , we determined  $I_0(M)$ -cong. classes of max. antip. sets of  $M$  and gave explicit descriptions of their representatives.

- $\exists M$ , realized as a polar not of a connected  $G$  but of a disconnected  $G$ .

e.g.,  $U(n)/O(n), U(2n)/Sp(n)$

### 3. Polars of disconnected compact Lie groups

$G$ : a compact Lie group

$G_0$ : the identity component of  $G$

$G = G_0 \cup \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} G_\lambda$ ,  $G_\lambda$ : a conn. component

$F(s_e, G) = (F(s_e, G) \cap G_0) \cup \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} (F(s_e, G) \cap G_\lambda)$

We know  $F(s_e, G) \cap G_0$  by Chen-Nagano.

We study  $F(s_e, G) \cap G_\lambda$ .

If  $F(s_e, G) \cap G_\lambda \neq \emptyset$ , for  $\forall x_\lambda \in G_\lambda \cap F(s_e, G)$  we have  $G_\lambda = G_0 x_\lambda = x_\lambda G_0$ .

$I_{x_\lambda}$  ( $I_{x_\lambda}(y) = x_\lambda y x_\lambda^{-1}$ ) is an involutive automorphism of  $G_0$ .

The action defined by  $g.h = ghI_{x_\lambda}(g)^{-1}$  ( $g, h \in G_0$ ) is called the **twisted conjugate action** by  $I_{x_\lambda}$ . (It is a Hermann action.)

$T_\lambda$ : a maximal torus of the identity comp. of  $F(I_{x_\lambda}, G_0)$ .

By a property of Hermann actions we have:

Proposition 2  $G_\lambda = \bigcup_{g \in G_0} g(x_\lambda T_\lambda)g^{-1}$

(It is well-known  $G_0 = \bigcup_{g \in G_0} gTg^{-1}$  for a maximal torus  $T$  of  $G_0$ .)

$$F(s_e, G) \cap G_\lambda = \bigcup_{g \in G_0} g \{x \in x_\lambda T_\lambda \mid x^2 = e\} g^{-1}$$

**In order to determine  $F(s_e, G) \cap G_\lambda$ , it is enough to determine  $\{x \in x_\lambda T_\lambda \mid x^2 = e\}$  and  $G_0$ -conjugacy classes of each element of the set.**

**We can carry out them for each  $G$  on a case-by-case argument.**

**On the other hand, we have the following:**

**Proposition 3 Assume  $G_\lambda \cap F(s_e, G) \neq \emptyset$ .**

**(1)  $G_0 \cup G_\lambda$  is a subgroup.**

**(2) For  $x_\lambda \in G_\lambda \cap F(s_e, G)$ ,  $G_0 \cup G_\lambda$  is isomorphic to  $G_0 \rtimes \langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle$ , where  $\langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle$  is the subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(G_0)$  generated by  $I_{x_\lambda}$ .**

**Hence, the determination of polars of  $G$  is reduced to the determination of polars of  $G_0 \rtimes \langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle$ .**

**$G_0 \rtimes \langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle$  consists of two connected components:**

$$G_0 \rtimes \langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle = \{(g, \text{id}) \mid g \in G_0\} \cup \{(g, I_{x_\lambda}) \mid g \in G_0\}$$

**The group operation of  $G_0 \rtimes \langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle$ :**

**For  $g, h \in G_0$ ,  $e' := \text{id}$ ,  $\tau := I_{x_\lambda}$ ,**

$$(g, e')(h, e') = (gh, e'), \quad (g, e')(h, \tau) = (gh, \tau),$$

$$(g, \tau)(h, e') = (g\tau(h), \tau), \quad (g, \tau)(h, \tau) = (g\tau(h), e').$$

**Proof of Prop. 3:** (1) is easily seen by the group operation. (2)  $\varphi : G_0 \rtimes \langle I_{x_\lambda} \rangle \rightarrow G_0 \cup G_\lambda$  defined by  $\varphi(g, \text{id}) = g$ ,  $\varphi(g, I_{x_\lambda}) = gx_\lambda$  gives a Lie group isomorphism.

$G$ : a **connected** cpt. Lie group

$\sigma$ : an involutive automorphism of  $G$

$\hat{e} = (e, \text{id})$ : the identity element of  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$

#### Theorem 4

$$F(s_{\hat{e}}, G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle) = (F(s_e, G), \text{id}) \cup (F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma)$$

**In particular, each connected component of  $(F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma)$  is a polar of  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$ . Moreover, the conn. comp. of  $(F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma)$  containing  $(e, \sigma)$  coincides with  $(\rho_\sigma(G) \cdot e, \sigma)$ , where  $\rho_\sigma$  is the twisted conjugate action by  $\sigma$ , and  $\rho_\sigma(G) \cdot e \cong G/F(\sigma, G)$ .**

**Proof of Thm. 4 :**

$$F(s_{\hat{e}}, G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle) = F(s_{\hat{e}}, (G, \text{id})) \cup F(s_{\hat{e}}, (G, \sigma))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
F(s_{\widehat{e}}, (G, \text{id})) &= (F(s_e, G), \text{id}) \\
F(s_{\widehat{e}}, (G, \sigma)) &= (F(s_e \circ \sigma, G), \sigma) \\
(\cdot \cdot) \forall g \in G, \\
s_{\widehat{e}}(g, \sigma) &= (g, \sigma) \\
\Leftrightarrow (g, \sigma) &= (g, \sigma)^{-1} = (\sigma(g^{-1}), \sigma) \\
\Leftrightarrow g &= \sigma(g^{-1}) \\
\Leftrightarrow s_e \circ \sigma(g) &= g
\end{aligned}$$

**As stated before, if we obtain the classification of max.antip. sugr. of  $G \rtimes \langle \sigma \rangle$ , we can determine max. antip. sets of  $G/F(\sigma, G)$ .**

#### 4. Examples

**$U(n)$ : the unitary group**

$$\begin{aligned}
F(s_{1_n}, U(n)) &= \\
\{x \in U(n) \mid x^2 = 1_n\} &= \bigcup_{j=0}^n \{g I_j g^{-1} \mid g \in U(n)\} \\
I_j &= \text{diag}(\underbrace{-1, \dots, -1}_j, 1, \dots, 1) \in U(n)
\end{aligned}$$

**The polars of  $U(n)$  w.r.t.  $1_n$  is:**

$$\{1_n\}, \{-1_n\},$$

**$U(n)/(U(j) \times U(n-j)) = G_j(\mathbb{C}^n) \quad (1 \leq j \leq n-1)$  the complex Grassmann mfd.**

$$\tau(g) := \bar{g} \quad (g \in U(n))$$

**$\tau$  is an involutive autom. of  $U(n)$**

$$G = U(n) \rtimes \langle \tau \rangle, \quad \langle \tau \rangle = \{e', \tau\}$$

$$G = \{(g, e') \mid g \in U(n)\} \cup \{(g, \tau) \mid g \in U(n)\} \cdots (*)$$

**We write  $(g, e')$  by  $g$ , and  $(g, \tau)$  by  $g\tau$ .**

$$(*) \rightsquigarrow G = U(n) \cup U(n)\tau$$

$$F(s_{\hat{e}}, G) = (F(s_{\hat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)) \cup (F(s_{\hat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)\tau)$$

$$F(s_{\hat{e}}, G) \cap U(n) = F(s_{1_n}, U(n)) = \bigcup_{j=0}^n G_j(\mathbb{C}^n)$$

**We study  $F(s_{\hat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)\tau$  by using Thm. 4.**

**$T$ : a maximal torus of  $F(\tau, U(n)) = O(n)$**

$$U(n)\tau = \bigcup_{g \in U(n)} g(\tau T)g^{-1} \quad \text{(by Prop. 2)}$$

$$F(s_{\hat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)\tau = \bigcup_{g \in U(n)} g\{x \in \tau T \mid x^2 = 1_n\}g^{-1}$$

**So we study  $\{x \in \tau T \mid x^2 = 1_n\}$ . We can take**

**$T \subset O(n)$  as**

$$T = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} R(\theta_1) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & R(\theta_k) \end{bmatrix} \mid \theta_1, \dots, \theta_k \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \quad (1)$$

$$R(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}, \quad k = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$$

$$\forall t \in T, \quad \tau t = (1_n, \tau)(t, e') = (\tau(t), \tau) = t\tau,$$

$$(\tau t)^2 = \tau^2 t^2 = t^2$$

**Hence,**  $\{x \in \tau T \mid x^2 = 1_n\} = \tau\{t \in T \mid t^2 = 1_n\}$

$$= \tau \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 1_2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \epsilon_k 1_2 \\ & & & (1) \end{bmatrix} \mid \epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_k = \pm 1 \right\}.$$

$$F(s_{\widehat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)\tau = \bigcup_{g \in U(n)} g\tau\{t \in T \mid t^2 = 1_n\}g^{-1}$$

$$\bullet \forall t \in T, \forall g \in U(n), g(\tau t)g^{-1} = g t {}^t g \tau$$

$$\bullet \text{Since } (i1_2)(-1_2)(i1_2) = 1_2,$$

$$\forall t \in T, t^2 = 1_n, \exists h \in U(n) \text{ s.t. } h t {}^t h = 1_n.$$

**Hence, if**  $t \in T, t^2 = 1_n$ ,  $\{g(\tau t)g^{-1} \mid g \in U(n)\} = \{g t {}^t g \mid g \in U(n)\}\tau = \{g 1_n {}^t g \mid g \in U(n)\}\tau.$

**So**  $F(s_{\widehat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)\tau = \{g 1_n {}^t g \mid g \in U(n)\}\tau$

**Here**  $g 1_n {}^t g = g 1_n \bar{g}^{-1} = g 1_n \tau(g)^{-1} = \rho_\tau(g)(1_n).$

$\rho_\tau$ : the twisted conjugate action by  $\tau$ .

**Hence**  $\{g 1_n {}^t g \mid g \in U(n)\}$  is an orbit of  $\rho_\tau(G)$  through  $1_n$ .

$$g 1_n {}^t g = 1_n \Leftrightarrow {}^t g = g^{-1} = {}^t \bar{g} \Leftrightarrow g \in O(n)$$

$$F(s_{\widehat{e}}, G) \cap U(n)\tau \cong U(n)/O(n) \text{ (connected)}$$

$U(n)/O(n)$  is realized as a polar of  $U(n) \rtimes \langle \tau \rangle$ .

$(U(n)/O(n)$  is not realized as a polar of a connected compact Lie group.)



**Thank you for your kind attention.**