## ON HOLOMORPHICALLY PROJECTIVE MAPPINGS OF *e*-KÄHLER MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we study fundamental equations of holomorphically projective mappings of e-Kähler spaces (i.e. classical, pseudo- and hyperbolic Kähler spaces) with respect to the smoothness class of metrics. We show that holomorphically projective mappings preserve the smoothness class of metrics.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

First we study the general dependence of holomorphically projective mappings of classical, pseudo- and hyperbolic Kähler manifolds (shortly e-Kähler) in dependence on the smoothness class of the metric. We present well known facts, which were proved by Domashev, Kurbatova, Mikeš, Prvanović, Otsuki, Tashiro etc., see [2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19]. In these results no details about the smoothness class of the metric were stressed. They were formulated "for sufficiently smooth" geometric objects.

## 2. Kähler manifolds

In the following definition we introduce generalizations of Kähler manifolds.

**Definition 1.** An *n*-dimensional (pseudo-)Riemannian manifold (M, g) is called an *e-Kähler manifold*  $K_n$ , if beside the metric tensor g, a tensor field  $F \ (\neq \text{Id})$ of type (1, 1) is given on the manifold  $M_n$ , called a *structure* F, such that the following conditions hold:

(1) 
$$F^2 = e \operatorname{Id}; \quad g(X, FX) = 0; \quad \nabla F = 0.$$

where  $e = \pm 1$ , X is an arbitrary vector of  $TM_n$ , and  $\nabla$  denotes the covariant derivative in  $K_n$ .

If e = -1,  $K_n$  is a (*pseudo-*)*Kähler space* (also *elliptic Kähler space*) and F is a *complex structure*. As *A-spaces*, these spaces were first considered by P. A. Shirokov, see [14]. Independently they were studied by E. Kähler [5].

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If e = +1,  $K_n$  is a hyperbolic Kähler space (also para Kähler space, see [1]) and F is a product structure. The spaces  $K_n^+$  were considered by P. K. Rashevskij [13].

The *e*-Kähler spaces introduced here are called shortly "Kähler" in the literature [10, 16]. By our definition we want to give a unified notation for all clases.

## 3. Holomorphically projective mapping theory for $K_n \to \bar{K}_n$ of class $C^1$

Assume the *e*-Kähler manifolds  $K_n = (M, g, F)$  and  $\bar{K}_n = (\bar{M}, \bar{g}, \bar{F})$  with metrics g and  $\bar{g}$ , structures F and  $\bar{F}$ , Levi-Civita connections  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$ , respectively. Here  $K_n, \bar{K}_n \in C^1$ , i.e.  $g, \bar{g} \in C^1$  which means that their components  $g_{ij}, \bar{g}_{ij} \in C^1$ . Likewise, as in [11] we introduce the following notations.

**Definition 2.** A curve  $\ell$  in  $K_n$  which is given by the equation  $\ell = \ell(t)$ ,  $\lambda = d\ell/dt$ ,  $(\neq 0), t \in I$ , where t is a parameter is called *analytically planar*, if under the parallel translation along the curve, the tangent vector  $\lambda$  belongs to the two-dimensional distribution  $D = \text{Span} \{\lambda, F\lambda\}$  generated by  $\lambda$  and its conjugate  $F\lambda$ , that is, it satisfies

$$\nabla_t \lambda = a(t)\lambda + b(t)F\lambda \,,$$

where a(t) and b(t) are some functions of the parameter t.

Particularly, in the case b(t) = 0, an analytically planar curve is a geodesic.

**Definition 3.** A diffeomorphism  $f: K_n \to \overline{K}_n$  is called a *holomorphically projective* mapping of  $K_n$  onto  $\overline{K}_n$  if f maps any analytically planar curve in  $K_n$  onto an analytically planar curve in  $\overline{K}_n$ .

Assume a holomorphically projective mapping  $f: K_n \to \bar{K}_n$ . Since f is a diffeomorphism, we can suppose local coordinate charts on M or  $\bar{M}$ , respectively, such that locally,  $f: K_n \to \bar{K}_n$  maps points onto points with the same coordinates, and  $\bar{M} = M$ .

A manifold  $K_n$  admits a holomorphically projective mapping onto  $\overline{K}_n$  if and only if the following equations [10, 16]:

(2) 
$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \psi(X)Y + \psi(Y)X + e\psi(FX)FY + e\psi(FY)FX$$

hold for any tangent fields X, Y and where  $\psi$  is a differential form. If  $\psi \equiv 0$  than f is affine or trivially holomorphically projective. Beside these facts it was proved [10, 16] that  $\overline{F} = \pm F$ ; for this reason we can suppose that  $\overline{F} = F$ . In local form:

$$\bar{\Gamma}^{h}_{ij} = \Gamma^{h}_{ij} + \psi_i \delta^{h}_j + \psi_j \delta^{h}_i + e \psi_{\bar{i}} \delta^{h}_{\bar{j}} + e \psi_{\bar{j}} \delta^{h}_i$$

where  $\Gamma_{ij}^h$  and  $\bar{\Gamma}_{ij}^h$  are the Christoffel symbols of  $K_n$  and  $\bar{K}_n$ ,  $\psi_i$ ,  $F_i^h$  are components of  $\psi$ , F and  $\delta_i^h$  is the Kronecker delta,  $\psi_{\bar{i}} = \psi_{\alpha} F_i^{\alpha}$ ,  $\delta_{\bar{i}}^h = F_i^h$ .

Here and in the following we will use the conjugation operation of indices in the way

$$A_{\ldots \,\overline{i}\,\ldots} = A_{\ldots \,k\,\ldots} F_i^k \,.$$

Equations (2) are equivalent to the following equations

(3)  

$$\nabla_{Z}\bar{g}(X,Y) = 2\psi(Z)\bar{g}(X,Y) + \psi(X)\bar{g}(Y,Z) + \psi(Y)\bar{g}(X,Z) \\
- e\psi(FX)\bar{g}(FY,Z) - e\psi(FY)\bar{g}(FX,Z).$$

In local form:

$$\bar{g}_{ij,k} = 2\psi_k \bar{g}_{ij} + \psi_i \bar{g}_{jk} + \psi \bar{g}_{ik} - e\psi_{\bar{i}} \bar{g}_{\bar{j}k} - e\psi_{\bar{j}} \bar{g}_{\bar{i}k}$$

where "," denotes the covariant derivative on  $K_n$ . It is known that

$$\psi_i = \partial_i \Psi, \quad \Psi = \frac{1}{2(n+2)} \ln \left| \frac{\det \bar{g}}{\det g} \right|, \quad \partial_i = \partial / \partial x^i$$

Domashev, Kurbatova and Mikeš [3, 6, 16] proved that equations (2) and (3) are equivalent to

(4) 
$$\nabla_Z a(X,Y) = \lambda(X)g(Y,Z) + \lambda(Y)g(X,Z) - e\lambda(FX)g(FY,Z) - e\lambda(FY)g(FX,Z).$$

In local form:

$$a_{ij,k} = \lambda_i g_{jk} + \lambda_j g_{ik} - e\lambda_{\bar{i}} g_{\bar{j}k} - e\lambda_{\bar{j}} g_{\bar{i}k} \,,$$

where

(5) (a) 
$$a_{ij} = e^{2\Psi} \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} g_{\alpha i} g_{\beta j};$$
 (b)  $\lambda_i = -e^{2\Psi} \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} g_{\beta i} \psi_{\alpha}.$ 

From (4) follows  $\lambda_i = \partial_i \lambda = \partial_i (\frac{1}{4} a_{\alpha\beta} g^{\alpha\beta})$ . On the other hand [10]:

(6) 
$$\bar{g}_{ij} = e^{2\Psi} \tilde{g}_{ij}, \quad \Psi = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\det \tilde{g}}{\det g} \right|, \qquad \|\tilde{g}_{ij}\| = \|g^{i\alpha} g^{j\beta} a_{\alpha\beta}\|^{-1}.$$

The above formulas are the criterion for holomorphically projective mappings  $K_n \to \bar{K}_n$ , globally as well as locally.

# 4. Holomorphically projective mapping theory for $K_n \to \bar{K}_n$ of class $C^2$

Let  $K_n$  and  $\bar{K}_n \in C^2$  be e-Kähler manifolds, then for holomorphically projective mappings  $K_n \to \bar{K}_n$  the Riemann and the Ricci tensors transform in this way

(7) (a) 
$$\bar{R}^{h}_{ijk} = R^{h}_{ijk} + \delta^{h}_{k}\psi_{ij} - \delta^{h}_{j}\psi_{ik} - e\delta^{h}_{\bar{k}}\psi_{i\bar{j}} + e\delta^{h}_{\bar{j}}\psi_{i\bar{k}} + 2e\delta^{h}_{\bar{i}}\psi_{j\bar{k}};$$
  
(b)  $\bar{R}_{ij} = R_{ij} - (n+2)\psi_{ij},$ 

where  $\psi_{ij} = \psi_{i,j} - \psi_i \psi_j + \psi_{\overline{i}} \psi_{\overline{j}} \ (\psi_{ij} = \psi_{ji} = -e\psi_{\overline{i}\overline{j}}).$ 

The tensor of holomorphically projective curvature, which is defined in the following form

(8) 
$$P_{ijk}^{h} = R_{ijk}^{h} + \frac{1}{n+2} \left( \delta_{k}^{h} R_{ij} - \delta_{j}^{h} R_{ik} - e \delta_{\bar{k}}^{h} R_{i\bar{j}} + e \delta_{\bar{j}}^{h} R_{i\bar{k}} + 2e \delta_{\bar{i}}^{h} R_{j\bar{k}} \right),$$

is invariant with respect to holomorphically projective mappings, i.e.  $\bar{P}_{ijk}^h = P_{ijk}^h$ .

The integrability conditions of equations (4) have the following form

$$\begin{aligned} a_{i\alpha}R^{\alpha}_{jkl} + a_{j\alpha}R^{\alpha}_{ikl} &= g_{ik}\lambda_{j,l} + g_{jk}\lambda_{i,l} - g_{il}\lambda_{j,k} - g_{jl}\lambda_{i,k} \\ &- eg_{\bar{i}k}\lambda_{\bar{j},l} - eg_{\bar{j}k}\lambda_{\bar{i},l} + eg_{\bar{i}l}\lambda_{\bar{j},k} + eg_{\bar{j}l}\lambda_{\bar{i},k} \,. \end{aligned}$$

We make the remark that the formulas introduced above, (7), (8) and (9), are not valid when  $K_n \notin C^2$  or  $\bar{K}_n \notin C^2$ .

After contraction with  $g^{jk}$  we get:

$$a_{i\alpha}R_k^{\alpha} + a_{\alpha\beta}R_{ik}^{\alpha\beta} = e\lambda_{\bar{i},\bar{k}} - (n-1)\lambda_{i,k},$$

where  $R^{\alpha}{}_{il}{}^{\beta} = g^{\beta k} R^{\alpha}{}_{ilk}; R^{\alpha}{}_{l} = g^{\alpha j} R_{jl}$  and  $\mu = \lambda_{\alpha,\beta} g^{\alpha\beta}.$ 

We contract this formula with  $F_{i'}^i F_{k'}^k$  and from the properties of the Riemann and the Ricci tensors of  $K_n$  we obtain

(10) 
$$\lambda_{\bar{i},\bar{k}} = -e\lambda_{i,k} \,,$$

and ([3, 9, 10, 15])

(11) 
$$n\lambda_{i,k} = \mu g_{ik} + a_{i\alpha}R_k^{\alpha} + a_{\alpha\beta}R_{ik}^{\alpha}^{\beta}.$$

Because  $\lambda_i$  is a gradient-like covector, from equation (11) follows  $a_{i\alpha}R_j^{\alpha} = a_{j\alpha}R_i^{\alpha}$ . From (10) follows that the vector field  $\lambda_{\bar{i}} \ (\equiv \lambda_{\alpha}F_i^{\alpha})$  is a Killing vector field, i.e.  $\lambda_{\bar{i},i} + \lambda_{\bar{j},i} = 0$ .

5. HOLOMORPHICALLY PROJECTIVE MAPPINGS  
BETWEEN 
$$K_n \in C^r$$
  $(r > 2)$  and  $\bar{K}_n \in C^2$ 

We proof the following theorem

**Theorem 1.** If  $K_n \in C^r$  (r > 2) admits holomorphically projective mappings onto  $\bar{K}_n \in C^2$ , then  $\bar{K}_n \in C^r$ .

The proof of this theorem follows from the following lemmas.

**Lemma 1** (see [4]). Let  $\lambda^h \in C^1$  be a vector field and  $\varrho$  a function. If

(12) 
$$\partial_i \lambda^h - \varrho \, \delta^h_i \in C^1$$

then  $\lambda^h \in C^2$  and  $\varrho \in C^1$ .

In a similar way we can prove the following: if  $\lambda^h \in C^r$   $(r \ge 1)$  and  $\partial_i \lambda^h - \rho \delta_i^h \in C^r$  then  $\lambda^h \in C^{r+1}$  and  $\rho \in C^r$ .

**Lemma 2.** If  $K_n \in C^3$  admits a holomorphically projective mapping onto  $\bar{K}_n \in C^2$ , then  $\bar{K}_n \in C^3$ .

**Proof.** In this case equations (4) and (11) hold. According to the assumptions  $g_{ij} \in C^3$  and  $\bar{g}_{ij} \in C^2$ . By a simple check-up we find  $\Psi \in C^2$ ,  $\psi_i \in C^1$ ,  $a_{ij} \in C^2$ ,  $\lambda_i \in C^1$  and  $R^h_{ijk}, R^h_{ij}, R^h_{ij} \in C^1$ .

From the above-mentioned conditions we easily convince ourselves that we can write equation (11) in the form (12), where

$$\lambda^{h} = g^{h\alpha}\lambda_{\alpha} \in C^{1}, \ \varrho = \mu/n \text{ and } f^{h}_{i} = \frac{1}{n} \left( -\lambda^{\alpha}\Gamma^{h}_{\alpha i} - g^{h\gamma}a_{\alpha\gamma}R^{\alpha}_{i} + g^{h\gamma}a_{\alpha\beta}R^{\alpha}{}_{i\gamma}{}^{\beta} \right) \in C^{1}$$

(9)

From Lemma 1 follows that  $\lambda^h \in C^2$ ,  $\varrho \in C^1$ , and evidently  $\lambda_i \in C^2$ . Differentiating (4) twice we convince ourselves that  $a_{ij} \in C^3$ . From this and formula (6) follows that also  $\Psi \in C^3$  and  $\bar{g}_{ij} \in C^3$ .

Further we notice that for holomorphically projective mappings between e-Kähler manifolds  $K_n$  and  $\bar{K}_n$  of class  $C^3$  holds the following third set of equations [6, 8, 9, 15, 10, 16]:

(13) 
$$\mu_{,k} = 2\lambda_{\alpha}R_k^{\alpha}.$$

If  $K_n \in C^r$  and  $\bar{K}_n \in C^2$ , then by Lemma 2,  $\bar{K}_n \in C^3$  and (13) holds. Because the system (4), (11) and (13) is closed, we can differentiate equations (4) (r-1)times. So we convince ourselves that  $a_{ij} \in C^r$ , and also  $\bar{g}_{ij} \in C^r$  ( $\equiv \bar{K}_n \in C^r$ ).

**Remark.** Moreover, in this case from equation (13) follows that the function  $\mu \in C^{r-1}$ .

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