

## REGULAR GENERAL CONTACT MANIFOLDS

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### 1. Introduction

It has proved that a compact connected manifold  $M^{2n+s}$  with a regular normal  $f$ -structure is the bundle space a principal  $T^s$ -bundle over a complex manifold  $N^{2n}$ . Moreover, if  $M^{2n+s}$  is a  $K$ -manifold, then  $N^{2n}$  is a Kaehler manifold, [2]. In this work we prove that (Theorem 4.1) if the  $K$ -structure on  $M^{2n+s}$  is an  $S$ -structure, then  $N^{2n}$  is a Hodge manifold. Conversely (Theorem 4.4), given a Hodge manifold  $N^{2n}$  and any  $s \geq 1$ , there exists a principal toroidal bundle  $M(N, T^s)$  over  $N$ , whose bundle space  $M^{2n+s}$  has a regular  $S$ -structure.

### 2. Normal $f$ -structures

A  $C^\infty$ -manifold  $M^{2n+s}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , is said to have an  $f$ -structure, if the structural group of its tangent bundle is reducible to  $U(n) \times O(s)$ . This is equivalent to the existence of a tensor field on  $M$  of type  $(1, 1)$ , rank  $2n$ , satisfying  $f^3 + f = 0$ . Almost complex structures ( $s=0$ ) and almost contact structures ( $s=1$ ) are two examples of  $f$ -structures. If there exist vector fields  $E_i$  and 1-forms,  $\eta^i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$  such that

$$f(E_i) = 0, \quad \eta^i(E_j) = \delta_j^i, \quad \eta^i \circ f = 0, \quad f^2 = -I + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i \otimes E_i$$

we say that  $M^{2n+s}$  has a framed  $f$ -structure, or, simply an  $(f, E_i, \eta^i)$ -structure. A framed  $f$ -structure is normal if

$$S = [f, f] + \sum_{i=1}^s d\eta^i \otimes E_i$$

vanishes, where  $[f, f]$  is the Nijenhuis tensor of  $g$ . In this case we have [3]:

$$1) L_{E_i} \eta^j = 0, \quad 2) [E_i, E_j] = 0, \quad 3) L_{E_i} f = 0, \quad 4) d\eta^i(fX, Y) = -d\eta^i(X, fY).$$

The equality 2) implies that the vertical distribution (the one generated by all the  $E_i$ ) is integrable.

It is known that for any  $(f, E_i, \eta^i)$ -structure there exists a Riemannian metric  $g$  which satisfies

$$g(X, Y) = g(fX, fY) + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i^i(X) \eta_i^i(Y).$$

A framed  $f$ -structure together with this metric is called a *framed metric  $f$ -structure*, or, *simple*, an,  $(f, E_i, \eta_i^i, g)$ -*structure*. The 2-form

$$F(X, Y) = g(X, fY)$$

is called the *fundamental 2-form of the  $(f, E_i, \eta_i^i, g)$ -structure*. A  $K$ -structure is a normal  $(f, E_i, \eta_i^i, g)$ -structure whose fundamental 2-form is closed.

Let  $D$  be an integrable distribution of dimension  $h$  on a manifold  $N^m$ . A cubical coordinate neighborhood  $(U, (x^1, \dots, x^m))$  on  $N^m$  is said to be *regular* with respect to  $D$  if  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^h}$  is a basis for  $D(p)$ , for every  $p \in U$ , and if each leaf of  $D$  intersects  $U$  in at most one  $n$ -dimensional slice of  $(U, (x^1, \dots, x^m))$ . We call  $D$  regular if each point  $p \in N$  has a cubical coordinate neighborhood which is regular with respect to  $D$ .

An  $(f, E_i, \eta_i^i)$ -structure is said to be *regular* if the vertical distribution is integrable and regular, and if each  $E_i$  is regular (the distribution generated by  $E_i$  is regular).

Let's state the theorem mentioned at the beginning:

**THEOREM 2.1** (Blair, Ludden, Yano). *Let  $M^{2n+s}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , be a compact connected manifold with a regular framed  $f$ -structure. Then  $M^{2n+s}$  is the bundle space of a principal toroidal bundle over a complex manifold  $N^{2n}$ . Moreover, if the framed  $f$ -structure is a  $K$ -structure, then  $N^{2n}$  is a Kähler manifold.*

### 3. Toroidal bundles

Let  $T^1 = S^1$  and  $T^s = \underbrace{S^1 \times \dots \times S^1}_s$  be the one-dimensional and  $s$ -dimensional torus respectively. Since these Lie groups are commutative, by choosing  $A$ , a nonzero element of the Lie algebra  $L(T^1)$  of  $T^1$ , we identify  $L(T^1)$  with  $R$ , and  $L(T^s) = L(T^1) \times \dots \times L(T^1)$  with  $R^s$  by means of

$$(0, \dots, A, 0, \dots, 0) \longleftrightarrow e_i,$$

where  $e_1, \dots, e_s$  is the canonical basis of  $R^s$ .

Let  $P[N, T^s]$  be the set of all  $T^s$ -bundles over the manifold  $N$ . If  $P(N, T^s, \pi)$  and  $Q(N, T^s, \pi)$  are two elements in this set, on

$$\Delta(P \times Q) = \{(u, v) \in P \times Q \mid \pi(u) = \pi'(v)\}$$

we define the equivalent relation:

$(u_1, v_1) \sim (u_2, v_2) \Leftrightarrow t \in T^s$  such that  $(u_1 t, v_1 t^{-1}) = (u_2, v_2)$ . The action of  $T^s$  on  $\Delta(P \times Q)$  given by  $((u, v), t) \rightarrow (ut, v)$ , induces an action of  $T^s$  on

$$P + Q = \frac{\Delta(P \times Q)}{\sim}$$

obtaining, in this way, the new  $T^s$ -bundle  $P + Q$ . It is known that  $P[N, T^s]$  with this operation, “+”, is an abelian group whose identity element is the trivial bundle  $N \times T^s$ , [4].

If  $\omega$  is a connection form with curvature form  $\Omega$  of a bundle  $P(N, T^s)$ , then

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^s \omega_i \otimes e_i \quad \text{and} \quad \Omega = \sum_{i=1}^s d\omega_i \otimes e_i.$$

Each real 2-form  $d\omega_i$  is horizontal and right invariant, therefore there exists a unique real 2-form  $\Omega_i^*$  on  $N$  satisfying  $d\omega_i = \pi^* \Omega_i^*$ . Since the forms  $\Omega_i^*$  are closed, they determine  $s$  cohomology classes  $[\Omega_i^*]$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$  in  $H^2(N, R)$ . These cohomology classes are independent from the connection. In this way we get the function

$$\Psi: P[N, T^s] \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^s H^2(N, R) \text{ given by } P \rightarrow ([\Omega_1^*], \dots, [\Omega_s^*]).$$

Our intention now is to show that  $\Psi$  is a group homomorphism.

Suppose that  $\{\phi_{\beta\alpha}\}$  are the transition function of  $P(N, T^s)$  corresponding to some covering  $\{U_\alpha\}$ . Each function  $\phi_{\beta\alpha}: U_\beta \cap U_\alpha \rightarrow T^s$  can be written as

$$(\phi_{\beta\alpha}^1, \dots, \phi_{\beta\alpha}^s).$$

Now  $\{\phi_{\beta\alpha}^i\}$  are the transition functions of a 1-dimensional toroidal bundle  $P_i$  over  $N$ . If we construct the whitney sum  $P_1 \oplus \dots \oplus P_s$ , it happens that a set of transition functions of this sum is precisely  $\{\phi_{\beta\alpha}\}$ . In other words,  $P$  and  $P_1 \oplus \dots \oplus P_s$  have the same transition function. Therefore we may assume that

$$P = P_1 \oplus \dots \oplus P_s \text{ and } P[N, T^s] = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s P[N, T^1].$$

Let  $h_i$  be the projection  $h_i: P_1 \oplus \dots \oplus P_s \rightarrow P_i$ . If  $\Omega_i$  is a curvature form on  $P_i$ , there is a connection on  $P$  whose curvature form  $\Omega$  satisfies:

$$\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^s h_i^* \Omega_i \otimes e_i.$$



Therefore we can assume that the function

$$\Psi : P[N, T^s] = \bigoplus_{i=1}^s P[N, T^1] \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^s H^2(N, R)$$

is given by  $\underbrace{\Psi \times \dots \times \Psi}_s$  where  $\Psi$  is the function

$$\Psi : P[N, T^1] \rightarrow H^2(N, R) \text{ such that } \Psi(P_i) = [\Omega_i^*].$$

But this  $\Psi$  is precisely the function defined by S. Kobayashi in page 32 of [4]. Furthermore, he proves that  $\Psi : P[N, T^1] \rightarrow H^2(N, R)$  is a group homomorphism which sends  $P(N, T^1)$  onto  $H^2(N, Z)_b$ , where  $H^2(N, Z)_b$  is the subgroup of  $H^2(N, R)$  formed by all the elements which contain an integral closed form. Therefore

**THEOREM 3.1.** *The function*

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi : P[N, T^s] &\rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^s H^2(N, R) \\ P &\rightarrow ([\Omega_1^*], \dots, [\Omega_s^*]) \end{aligned}$$

is a group homomorphism, which sends  $P[N, T^s]$  onto

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^s H^2(N, Z)_b.$$

#### 4. Regular S-structures

**DEFINITION.** A manifold  $M^{2n+s}$  is said to have an *s-contact structure* if there exist on  $M$   $s$  global, linearly independent 1-forms  $\eta^1, \dots, \eta^s$  such that  $d\eta^1 = \dots = d\eta^i, d\eta^i$  has rank  $2^n$  and, at every point of  $M$ ,

$$\eta^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \eta^s \wedge (d\eta^i)^n \neq 0.$$

It is known [1] that if  $M^{2n+s}$  has s-contact structure, then it has an  $(f, E_p, \eta^i, g)$ -structure, which we call associated to the s-contact structure, such that  $F = d\eta^i$ , where  $F$  is the fundamental 2-form. A normal  $(f, E_p, \eta^i, g)$ -structure associated to an s-contact structure is called an *S-structure*. Notice that an S-structure is a  $K$ -structure.

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $M^{2n+s}$  be a compact connected manifold with a regular S-structure  $(f, E_p, \eta^i, g), i=1, \dots, s$ . Then  $M^{2n+s}$  is the bundle space of a principal toroidal bundle over a Hodge manifold  $N^{2n}$ .*

PROOF. By Theorem 2.1 and its proof we have that  $M^{2n \pm s}$  is the bundle space of a principal  $T^s$ -bundle over a Kähler manifold  $N^{2n}$ , and that the group action is given by the one-parameter groups of transformations of the vector fields  $E_1, \dots, E_s$ .

Now we claim that the form

$$\omega = \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i \otimes e_i$$

is a connection form. This is,  $\omega$  satisfies:

a)  $R_t^* \omega = \omega$ , for  $t \in T^s$ .

b)  $\omega(X^*) = X$ , where  $X^*$  is the fundamental vector fields of  $X$ , with  $X$  in the Lie algebra of  $T^s$ .

Part a) follows from the fact  $L_{E_i} \eta^j = 0$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ , which is a consequence of the normality of the S-structure. For part b) it suffices to prove it for the vector  $e_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ . But this follows immediately from  $e_i^* = E_i$ .

On the other hand, from the proof of Theorem 2.1, we also have that the fundamental form of the  $f$ -structure,  $F$ , and the fundamental form of the Kählerian structure,  $\Omega^*$ , are related by

$$F = \pi^* \Omega^*$$

where  $\pi$  is bundle projection. But, in the particular case of an S-structure, we have  $F = d\eta^i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ . Therefore  $d\eta^i = \pi^* \Omega^*$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.1,  $[\Omega^*]$  is  $H(N, Z)_p$ , which says that  $N^{2n}$  is a Hodge manifold.

THEOREM 4.2. Let  $M(N, T^s, \pi)$  be a principal toroidal bundle whose base space  $N^{2n}$  has an almost Hermitian structure. Then  $M$  has a regular  $(f, E_i, \eta^i, g)$ -structure,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ .

PROOF. Fix a connection form  $\omega = \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i \otimes e_i$  on  $M$  and let  $E_i$  be the fundamental vector of  $e_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq s$ . Then we have

$$\eta^i(E_j) = \delta_j^i.$$

Let  $(J, g')$  be the almost Hermitian structure of  $N$ . If  $u \in M$ ,  $\pi(u) = v$  and  $\bar{\pi}_v : T_v(N) \rightarrow T_u(M)$  is the lifting with respect to the fixed connection, define  $f$  by

$$f(X) = (\bar{\pi}_v \circ j \circ \pi_u)(X), \quad X \in T_u(M).$$

Then we have  $f(E_i)=0$  and  $\eta^i \circ f=0$ ,  $i=1, \dots, s$ . We also have

$$f^2(X) = (\bar{\pi} \circ j \circ \pi)^2(X) = -(\bar{\pi} \circ \pi)(X) = -X + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i(X) E_i$$

this is,  $f^2 = -I + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i \otimes E_i$ . Thus we have an  $(f, E_i, \eta^i)$ -structure,  $1 \leq i \leq s$ , on  $M$ . Furthermore, the Riemannian metric  $g$  on  $M$  defined by

$$g(X, Y) = g'(\pi X, \pi Y) + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i(X) \eta^i(Y)$$

is associated to this  $(f, E_i, \eta^i)$ -structure, since

$$\begin{aligned} g(fX, fY) &= g'(\pi fX, \pi fY) + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i(fX) \eta^i(fY) \\ &= g'(J\pi X, J\pi Y) = g'(\pi X, \pi Y) \\ &= g(X, Y) - \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i(X) \eta^i(Y). \end{aligned}$$

It is clear from the definition of  $E_i$  that each one of these is regular. The regularity of the distribution determined by all the  $E_i$ 's (vertical distribution) follows from the Theorem XIV of [5], which says that if the leaf space of an integral distribution is a manifold and if the projection mapping takes the tangent space of any point onto the tangent space of its projection, then the distribution must be regular.

**THEOREM 4.3.** *The framed  $f$ -structure defined in the previous theorem is normal if and only if the following two conditions hold:*

- 1)  $J$  is a complex structure.
- 2)  $d\omega(fX, Y) = -d\omega(X, fY)$ , for any  $X, Y$ .

**PROOF.** Since 2) is equivalent to 3)  $d\omega(fX, fY) = d\omega(X, Y)$  the theorem will follow as soon as we prove the two equalities:

- a)  $\pi(S(X, Y)) = [J, J](\pi X, \pi Y)$ ;  $X, Y$  right invariant vector fields.
- b)  $\omega(SX, Y) = d\omega(X, Y) - d\omega(fX, fY)$ , for any  $X, Y$ .

a) If  $X, Y$  are right invariant vector fields on  $M$ , so are  $[X, Y]$ ,  $f(X)$  and  $f(Y)$ . ( $f$  is right invariant). Besides, we have the relations:

$$\pi[X, Y] = [\pi X, \pi Y] \text{ and } \pi \circ f = J \circ \pi.$$

Therefore

$$\pi(S(X, Y)) = \pi([f, f](X, Y) + \sum d\eta^i(X, Y) E_i) = [J, J](\pi X, \pi Y).$$

- b) Since  $f$  is horizontal we have  $d\omega(fX, fY) = -\omega([fX, fY])$ . Hence



$$\omega(S(X, Y)) = \omega([fX, fY]) + d\omega(fX, fY) + d\omega(X, Y).$$

THEOREM 4.4. *Let  $N^{2n}$  be a Hodge manifold. Then for each  $s \geq 1$  there exists a principal toroidal bundle  $M(N, T^s, \pi)$ , whose bundle space  $M^{2n+s}$  has a regular  $S$ -structure.*

PROOF. Let  $(J, g')$  be the Hodge structure on  $N$ , and  $\Omega^*$  its fundamental 2-form. Since  $[\Omega^*] \in H^2(N, Z)_b$ , then

$$([\Omega^*], \dots, [\Omega^*]) \in \bigoplus_{i=1}^s H^2(N, Z)_b.$$

By Theorem 3.1, there exists a toroidal bundle  $M = M(N, T^s, \pi)$  such that  $\Psi(M) = ([\Omega^*], \dots, [\Omega^*])$ . We can find a connection form  $\omega = \sum_{i=1}^s \eta^i \otimes e_i$  whose curvature from  $d\omega$  satisfies

$$d\omega = \sum_{i=1}^s d\eta^i \otimes e_i = \sum_{i=1}^s \pi^* \Omega^* \otimes e_i.$$

The forms  $\eta^1, \dots, \eta^s$  define a  $s$ -contact structure on  $M^{2n+s}$ . In fact, since  $d\eta^i = \pi^* \Omega^*$ , the rank of  $d\eta^i$  is  $2n$ .

On the other hand, if  $E_1, \dots, E_s$  are the fundamental vector fields of  $e_1, \dots, e_s$ , we have  $\eta^i(E_j) = \delta_j^i$ . Now, taking  $E_1, \dots, E_s$  and  $X_1, \dots, X_{2n}$  horizontal and linearly independent vectors, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \eta^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \eta^s \wedge (d\eta^i)^n (E_1, \dots, E_s, X_1, \dots, X_{2n}) \\ &= (d\eta^i)^n (X_1, \dots, X_{2n}) = \Omega^*(\pi X, \dots, \pi X_{2n}) \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

which proves that  $\eta^1 \wedge \dots \wedge \eta^s \wedge (d\eta^i)^n \neq 0$  at every point of  $M$ .

If  $(f, E_i, \eta^i, g)$  is the framed  $f$ -structure on  $M$  constructed in the Theorem 4.2 using the Hodge structure  $(J, g')$  on  $N$ , we have

$$F(X, Y) = g(X, fY) = g'(\pi X, \pi fY) = g'(\pi X, J\pi Y) = \Omega^*(\pi X, \pi Y) = d\eta^i(X, Y).$$

Therefore this  $(f, E_i, \eta^i, g)$ -structure is associated to this  $s$ -contact structure defined by  $\eta^1, \dots, \eta^s$ . By Theorem 4.2 and its proof,  $(f, E_i, \eta^i, g)$  is regular. On the other hand, since  $J$  is a complex structure and  $d\omega(fX, fY) = d\omega(X, Y)$ ,  $(f, E_i, \eta^i, g)$  is normal, and therefore a regular  $S$ -structure on  $M$ .

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