

INTEGRABILITY OF AN ALMOST COMPLEX STRUCTURE ON $S^4 \times_f V^2$

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we prove that any orthogonal almost complex structure on a warped product manifold of any oriented closed surface and a round 4-sphere for a concircular warping function on the sphere is never integrable. This gives a partial answer to Calabi's problem.

1. Introduction

In [2], Calabi raised the problem concerning the integrability condition of an almost complex structure on a 6-dimensional almost complex manifold. One of the questions that he left is whether the product manifold $V^2 \times S^4$ ($V^2 =$ any oriented closed surface) admits an integrable almost complex structure or not. In previous works [4, 5], Euh and Sekigawa gave some partial answers to this problem.

Theorem 1.1 ([4]). *Any orthogonal almost complex structure on a Riemannian product of a round 2-sphere and a round 4-sphere is never integrable.*

Theorem 1.2 ([5]). *Let $V^2 \times_f S^4$ be a warped product Riemannian manifold of an oriented closed surface V^2 with nonnegative Gaussian curvature and a round 4-sphere S^4 , where f is a positive-valued smooth function on V^2 . Then, any orthogonal almost complex structure on $V^2 \times_f S^4$ is never integrable.*

Let M be an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold with metric tensor g . Tashiro [8] introduced the concept of a *concircular function*: A function $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called concircular if the Hessian of f , $\text{Hess } f$, satisfies

$$\text{Hess } f(X, Y) = \phi g(X, Y)$$

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for any smooth vector fields X and Y on M , where ϕ is a function on M which is called the *characteristic function* of f . A concircular transformation is by definition a conformal transformation preserving geodesic circles. Due to Tashiro's result ([8], Theorem 1), if a complete Riemannian manifold M of dimension $n \geq 2$ admits a concircular function f , then the number N of isolated stationary points of f is less than or equal to 2, and M is conformal to a spherical space form when $N = 2$. In fact, Chen found a concircular function on an n -dimensional unit sphere $S^n(1)$ in terms of isothermal coordinates ([3], Proposition 1.10). So it is natural to consider a concircular function on a sphere.

In this paper, we deal with the warped product manifold $S^4 \times_f V^2$, where the function f is a positive-valued concircular function on S^4 . The main purpose is to prove the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3. *Let $S^4 \times_f V^2$ be a warped product Riemannian manifold of a round 4-sphere S^4 and an oriented closed surface V^2 with nonnegative Gaussian curvature, where f is a positive-valued concircular function on S^4 . Then, any orthogonal almost complex structure on $S^4 \times_f V^2$ is never integrable.*

Theorem 1.3 makes a progress for solving Calabi's problem completely.

2. Preliminaries

Let $M = (M, g)$ be an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold. Denote by $\mathfrak{X}(M)$ the Lie algebra of all smooth vector fields on M . For any smooth function h on M , the gradient of h , $\text{grad } h$, is the vector field defined by $g(\text{grad } h, X) = Xh$ for any $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. The hessian of h , $\text{Hess } h$, is defined by $\text{Hess } h(X, Y) = g(\nabla_X \text{grad } h, Y)$ for any $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, where ∇ denotes the Levi-Civita connection of g . Then we see that the trace of $\text{Hess } h = \Delta h$, where Δh is the Laplacian of h .

Let (B, g_B) and (F, g_F) be Riemannian manifolds and f be a positive-valued smooth function on B . By definition, a warped product Riemannian manifold $(M, g) = (B, g_B) \times_f (F, g_F)$, briefly, $B \times_f F$, is the product manifold $M = B \times F$ equipped with the Riemannian metric g given by $g = g_B + f^2 g_F$. We denote by ∇^B and ∇^F the Levi-Civita connections of g_B and g_F , respectively. Then, we see that the following relations hold ([1], Lemma 7.3):

$$(2.1) \quad \nabla_X Y = \nabla_X^B Y,$$

$$(2.2) \quad \nabla_U X = \frac{1}{f} X f U = \frac{1}{f} g_B(\text{grad}^B f, X) U,$$

$$(2.3) \quad \nabla_X U = \frac{1}{f} X f U = \frac{1}{f} g_B(\text{grad}^B f, X) U,$$

$$(2.4) \quad \nabla_U V = \nabla_U^F V - f g_F(U, V) \text{grad}^B f$$

for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(B)$ and $U, V \in \mathfrak{X}(F)$. We denote the curvature tensors of (M, g) , (B, g_B) and (F, g_F) by R, R^B and R^F defined by

$$(2.5) \quad R(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})\bar{Z} = [\nabla_{\bar{X}}, \nabla_{\bar{Y}}]\bar{Z} - \nabla_{[\bar{X}, \bar{Y}]} \bar{Z},$$

$$(2.6) \quad R^B(X, Y)Z = [\nabla_X^B, \nabla_Y^B]Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]}^B Z,$$

$$(2.7) \quad R^F(U, V)W = [\nabla_U^F, \nabla_V^F]W - \nabla_{[U, V]}^F W$$

for $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(B)$, $U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(F)$ and $\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, \bar{Z} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. Then, from (2.1)~(2.7), we have

$$(2.8) \quad R(X, Y)Z = R^B(X, Y)Z,$$

$$(2.9) \quad R(X, Y)U = 0,$$

$$(2.10) \quad R(X, U)Y = \frac{1}{f} \text{Hess}^B f(X, Y)U,$$

$$(2.11) \quad R(U, V)X = 0,$$

$$(2.12) \quad R(U, V)W = R^F(U, V)W - |\text{grad}^B f|_B^2 (g_F(V, W)U - g_F(U, W)V)$$

for $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(B)$ and $U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(F)$ ([1], Lemma 7.4). From (2.8)~(2.12), we have further

$$(2.13) \quad R(X, Y, Z, Z') = R^B(X, Y, Z, Z'),$$

$$(2.14) \quad R(X, Y, Z, U) = 0,$$

$$(2.15) \quad R(X, Y, U, V) = 0,$$

$$(2.16) \quad R(X, U, Y, V) = f \text{Hess}^B f(X, Y)g_F(U, V),$$

$$(2.17) \quad R(U, V, W, X) = 0,$$

$$(2.18) \quad R(U, V, W, W') = f^2 \left\{ R^F(U, V, W, W') - |\text{grad}^B f|_B^2 (g_F(V, W)g_F(U, W') - g_F(U, W)g_F(V, W')) \right\}$$

for $X, Y, Z, Z' \in \mathfrak{X}(B)$ and $U, V, W, W' \in \mathfrak{X}(F)$.

3. Proof of Theorem 1.3

In this section, we shall prove Theorem 1.3 by making use of the fundamental formulas prepared in Section 2. In the sequel, we assume that $(B, g_B) = (S^4(\alpha), g_{S^4(\alpha)})$ and $(F, g_F) = (V^2, g_{V^2})$, where $(S^4(\alpha), g_{S^4(\alpha)})$ is a round 4-sphere of constant sectional curvature α and (V^2, g_{V^2}) is an oriented closed surface with nonnegative Gaussian curvature β and further $(M, g) = (S^4(\alpha), g_{S^4(\alpha)}) \times_f (V^2, g_{V^2})$, where f is a positive-valued concircular function on S^4 . First, we recall Gray's result [6] which plays an essential role in the proof of Theorem 1.3.

Lemma 3.1. *Let $M = (M, J, g)$ be a Hermitian manifold. Then, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} &R(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, \bar{Z}, \bar{W}) + R(J\bar{X}, J\bar{Y}, J\bar{Z}, J\bar{W}) - R(J\bar{X}, J\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}, \bar{W}) \\ &- R(J\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, J\bar{Z}, \bar{W}) - R(J\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, \bar{Z}, J\bar{W}) - R(\bar{X}, J\bar{Y}, J\bar{Z}, \bar{W}) \\ &- R(\bar{X}, J\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}, J\bar{W}) - R(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, J\bar{Z}, J\bar{W}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

for $\bar{X}, \bar{Y}, \bar{Z}, \bar{W} \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$.

It is known that $M = S^4(\alpha) \times V^2$ admits an almost complex structure [2, 7]. Let J be an orthogonal almost complex structure on (M, g) . We may identify $T_{(p_1, p_2)}(S^4(\alpha) \times V^2)$ with $T_{p_1}S^4(\alpha) \oplus T_{p_2}V^2$ for each point $p = (p_1, p_2) \in S^4(\alpha) \times V^2$ in the natural way. Let $\{e_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq 6}$ be a local orthonormal frame field on (M, g) such that $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ and $\{e_5, e_6\}$ are tangent to $S^4(\alpha)$ and V^2 , respectively. We here set

$$(3.1) \quad J e_a = \sum_b J_{ab} e_b + \sum_v J_{av} e_v, \quad J e_u = \sum_b J_{ub} e_b + \sum_v J_{uv} e_v$$

for $1 \leq a, b \leq 4$ and $5 \leq u, v \leq 6$. Then, we may easily check that the following equalities hold:

$$(3.2) \quad J_{ij} = -J_{ji}, \quad \sum_{k=1}^6 J_{ik} J_{jk} = \delta_{ij}$$

for $1 \leq i, j \leq 6$. Then, from (2.13)~(2.18), taking account of (3.1) and (3.2), we have

$$(3.3) \quad R(e_5, e_6, e_5, e_6) = -\frac{1}{f^2} \left(\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2 \right),$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3.4) \quad &R(Je_5, Je_6, Je_5, Je_6) \\ &= R\left(\sum_a J_{5a} e_a + \sum_u J_{5u} e_u, \sum_b J_{6b} e_b + \sum_v J_{6v} e_v, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \sum_c J_{5c} e_c + \sum_w J_{5w} e_w, \sum_d J_{6d} e_d + \sum_z J_{6z} e_z\right) \\ &= \sum_{a,b,c,d} J_{5a} J_{6b} J_{5c} J_{6d} R(e_a, e_b, e_c, e_d) + \sum_{a,v,c,z} J_{5a} J_{6v} J_{5c} J_{6z} R(e_a, e_v, e_c, e_z) \\ &\quad + \sum_{a,v,w,d} J_{5a} J_{6v} J_{5w} J_{6d} R(e_a, e_v, e_w, e_d) + \sum_{u,b,c,z} J_{5u} J_{6b} J_{5c} J_{6z} R(e_u, e_b, e_c, e_z) \\ &\quad + \sum_{u,b,w,d} J_{5u} J_{6b} J_{5w} J_{6d} R(e_u, e_b, e_w, e_d) + \sum_{u,v,w,z} J_{5u} J_{6v} J_{5w} J_{6z} R(e_u, e_v, e_w, e_z) \\ &= \sum_{a,b,c,d} J_{5a} J_{6b} J_{5c} J_{6d} R^{S^4}(e_a, e_b, e_c, e_d) + \frac{1}{f} \sum_{a,v,c,z} J_{5a} J_{6v} J_{5c} J_{6z} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_a, e_c) \delta_{vz} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{f} \sum_{a,v,w,d} J_{5a} J_{6v} J_{5w} J_{6d} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_a, e_d) \delta_{vw} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{f} \sum_{u,b,c,z} J_{5u} J_{6b} J_{5c} J_{6z} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_b, e_c) \delta_{uz} \\
 & + \frac{1}{f} \sum_{u,b,w,d} J_{5u} J_{6b} J_{5w} J_{6d} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_d, e_b) \delta_{uw} \\
 & + \sum_{u,v,w,z} J_{5u} J_{6v} J_{5w} J_{6z} (g(R^{V^2}(e_u, e_v)e_w, e_z) \\
 & \quad - \frac{1}{f^2} |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2 g(\delta_{vw}e_u - \delta_{uw}e_v, e_z)) \\
 = & -\alpha(1 - J_{56}^2)^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{f} J_{56}^2 \left\{ J_{15}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_1) + J_{25}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_2) \right. \\
 & \quad + J_{35}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_3) + J_{45}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_4, e_4) \\
 & \quad + 2(J_{15} J_{25} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_2) + J_{15} J_{35} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_3) \\
 & \quad \quad + J_{15} J_{45} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_4) + J_{25} J_{35} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_3) \\
 & \quad \quad \left. + J_{25} J_{45} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_4) + J_{35} J_{45} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_4) \right\} \\
 & + \frac{1}{f} J_{56}^2 \left\{ J_{16}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_1) + J_{26}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_2) \right. \\
 & \quad + J_{36}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_3) + J_{46}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_4, e_4) \\
 & \quad + 2(J_{16} J_{26} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_2) + J_{16} J_{36} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_3) \\
 & \quad \quad + J_{16} J_{46} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_4) + J_{26} J_{36} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_3) \\
 & \quad \quad \left. + J_{26} J_{46} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_4) + J_{36} J_{46} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_4) \right\} \\
 & - \frac{1}{f^2} J_{56}^4 (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2), \\
 (3.5) \quad & R(Je_5, Je_6, e_5, e_6) \\
 & = R\left(\sum_a J_{5a} e_a + \sum_u J_{5u} e_u, \sum_b J_{6b} e_b + \sum_v J_{6v} e_v, e_5, e_6\right) \\
 & = \sum_{a,b} J_{5a} J_{6b} R(e_a, e_b, e_5, e_6) + \sum_{a,v} J_{5a} J_{6v} R(e_a, e_v, e_5, e_6) \\
 & \quad + \sum_{b,u} J_{5u} J_{6b} R(e_u, e_b, e_5, e_6) + \sum_{u,v} J_{5u} J_{6v} R(e_u, e_v, e_5, e_6) \\
 & = \sum_{u,v} J_{5u} J_{6v} R(e_u, e_v, e_5, e_6) \\
 & = -\frac{1}{f^2} J_{56}^2 (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.6) \quad & R(Je_5, e_6, Je_5, e_6) \\
&= R\left(\sum_a J_{5a}e_a + \sum_u J_{5u}e_u, e_6, \sum_b J_{5b}e_b + \sum_v J_{5v}e_v, e_6\right) \\
&= \sum_{a,b} J_{5a}J_{5b}R(e_a, e_6, e_b, e_6) + \sum_{a,v} J_{5a}J_{5v}R(e_a, e_6, e_v, e_6) \\
&\quad + \sum_{b,u} J_{5u}J_{5b}R(e_u, e_6, e_b, e_6) + \sum_{u,v} J_{5u}J_{5v}R(e_u, e_6, e_v, e_6) \\
&= \sum_{a,b} J_{5a}J_{5b}R(e_a, e_6, e_b, e_6) \\
&= \frac{1}{f} \left\{ J_{15}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_1) + J_{25}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_2) \right. \\
&\quad + J_{35}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_3) + J_{45}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_4, e_4) \\
&\quad + 2(J_{15}J_{25} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_2) + J_{15}J_{35} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_3) \\
&\quad \quad + J_{15}J_{45} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_4) + J_{25}J_{35} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_3) \\
&\quad \quad \left. + J_{25}J_{45} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_4) + J_{35}J_{45} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_4) \right\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.7) \quad & R(Je_5, e_6, e_5, Je_6) \\
&= R\left(\sum_a J_{5a}e_a + \sum_u J_{5u}e_u, e_6, e_5, \sum_b J_{6b}e_b + \sum_v J_{6v}e_v\right) \\
&= \sum_{a,b} J_{5a}J_{6b}R(e_a, e_6, e_5, e_b) + \sum_{a,v} J_{5a}J_{6v}R(e_a, e_6, e_5, e_v) \\
&\quad + \sum_{b,u} J_{5u}J_{6b}R(e_u, e_6, e_5, e_b) + \sum_{u,v} J_{5u}J_{6v}R(e_u, e_6, e_5, e_v) \\
&= 0,
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.8) \quad & R(e_5, Je_6, e_5, Je_6) \\
&= R\left(e_5, \sum_a J_{6a}e_a + \sum_u J_{6u}e_u, e_5, \sum_b J_{6b}e_b + \sum_v J_{6v}e_v\right) \\
&= \sum_{a,b} J_{6a}J_{6b}R(e_5, e_a, e_5, e_b) + \sum_{a,v} J_{6a}J_{6v}R(e_5, e_a, e_5, e_v) \\
&\quad + \sum_{b,u} J_{6b}J_{6u}R(e_5, e_u, e_5, e_b) + \sum_{u,v} J_{6u}J_{6v}R(e_5, e_u, e_5, e_v) \\
&= \sum_{a,b} J_{6a}J_{6b}R(e_5, e_a, e_5, e_b) \\
&= \frac{1}{f} \left\{ J_{16}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_1) + J_{26}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_2) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + J_{36}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_3) + J_{46}^2 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_4, e_4) \\
 & + 2(J_{16} J_{26} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_2) + J_{16} J_{36} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_3) \\
 & \quad + J_{16} J_{46} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_4) + J_{26} J_{36} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_3) \\
 & \quad + J_{26} J_{46} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_4) + J_{36} J_{46} \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_4)) \}
 \end{aligned}$$

for $1 \leq a, b, c, d \leq 4$ and $5 \leq u, v, w, z \leq 6$. Here, since f is a concircular function on $S^4(\alpha)$, we have $\text{Hess} f(e_a, e_b) = \phi(p_1) \delta_{ab}$ for a point $p_1 \in S^4(\alpha)$, where δ_{ab} denotes the Kronecker delta and ϕ is the characteristic function of f on $S^4(\alpha)$. Thus, from (3.3)~(3.8) and Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 & = R(e_5, e_6, e_5, e_6) + R(Je_5, Je_6, Je_5, Je_6) - 2R(Je_5, Je_6, e_5, e_6) \\
 & \quad - R(Je_5, e_6, Je_5, e_6) - 2R(Je_5, e_6, e_5, Je_6) - R(e_5, Je_6, e_5, Je_6) \\
 & = -\frac{1}{f^2}(\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) - \frac{1}{f^2} J_{56}^4 (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) \\
 & \quad + \frac{2}{f^2} J_{56}^2 (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) - \frac{1}{f} (1 - J_{56}^2) [(J_{15}^2 + J_{16}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_1) \\
 & \quad + (J_{25}^2 + J_{26}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_2) + (J_{35}^2 + J_{36}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_3) \\
 & \quad + (J_{45}^2 + J_{46}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_4, e_4) + 2\{(J_{15} J_{25} + J_{16} J_{26}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_2) \\
 & \quad + (J_{15} J_{35} + J_{16} J_{36}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_3) + (J_{15} J_{45} + J_{16} J_{46}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_4) \\
 & \quad + (J_{25} J_{35} + J_{26} J_{36}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_3) + (J_{25} J_{45} + J_{26} J_{46}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_4) \\
 & \quad + (J_{35} J_{45} + J_{36} J_{46}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_4)\}] \\
 & \quad - \alpha(1 - J_{56}^2)^2 \\
 & = - (1 - J_{56}^2)^2 \{ \alpha + \frac{1}{f^2} (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) \} \\
 & \quad - \frac{1}{f} (1 - J_{56}^2) [(J_{15}^2 + J_{16}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_1) + (J_{25}^2 + J_{26}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_2) \\
 & \quad + (J_{35}^2 + J_{36}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_3) + (J_{45}^2 + J_{46}^2) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_4, e_4) \\
 & \quad + 2\{(J_{15} J_{25} + J_{16} J_{26}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_2) + (J_{15} J_{35} + J_{16} J_{36}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_3) \\
 & \quad + (J_{15} J_{45} + J_{16} J_{46}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_1, e_4) + (J_{25} J_{35} + J_{26} J_{36}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_3) \\
 & \quad + (J_{25} J_{45} + J_{26} J_{46}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_2, e_4) + (J_{35} J_{45} + J_{36} J_{46}) \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_3, e_4)\}] \\
 & = - (1 - J_{56}^2)^2 \{ \alpha + \frac{1}{f^2} (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) \} - \frac{1}{f} (1 - J_{56}^2) \{ (J_{15}^2 + J_{16}^2) \phi(p_1) \\
 & \quad + (J_{25}^2 + J_{26}^2) \phi(p_1) + (J_{35}^2 + J_{36}^2) \phi(p_1) + (J_{45}^2 + J_{46}^2) \phi(p_1) \} \\
 & = - (1 - J_{56}^2)^2 \{ \alpha + \frac{1}{f^2} (\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) \}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{1}{f}(1 - J_{56}^2)\{(J_{15}^2 + J_{25}^2 + J_{35}^2 + J_{45}^2)\phi(p_1) \\
 & + (J_{16}^2 + J_{26}^2 + J_{36}^2 + J_{46}^2)\phi(p_1)\} \\
 = & -(1 - J_{56}^2)^2\{\alpha + \frac{1}{f^2}(\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2)\} \\
 & -\frac{1}{f}(1 - J_{56}^2)\{(1 - J_{56}^2)\phi(p_1) + (1 - J_{56}^2)\phi(p_1)\} \\
 = & -(1 - J_{56}^2)^2\{\alpha + \frac{1}{f^2}(\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) + \frac{2}{f}\phi(p_1)\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since f is the concircular function and the Laplacian of f is the trace of Hessian of f , we have $\Delta^{S^4} f = \sum_{i=1}^4 \text{Hess}^{S^4} f(e_i, e_i) = 4\phi(p_1)$. Therefore we have the following equation:

$$(3.9) \quad 0 = -(1 - J_{56}^2)^2\{\alpha + \frac{1}{f^2}(\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) + \frac{1}{2f}\Delta^{S^4} f\}.$$

Furthermore, since $S^4(\alpha)$ is compact, f takes its minimum at p_1 and hence, $\text{grad}^{S^4} f = 0$ and $\Delta^{S^4} f \geq 0$ at the point p_1 . Thus, from (3.9), we have

$$(3.10) \quad \alpha + \frac{1}{f^2}(\beta - |\text{grad}^{S^4} f|_{S^4}^2) + \frac{1}{2f}\Delta^{S^4} f = \alpha + \frac{\beta}{f^2} + \frac{1}{2f}\Delta^{S^4} f > 0$$

along $\{p_1\} \times V^2$. Thus, from (3.9) and (3.10), we see that $J_{56}^2 = 1$ holds along $\{p_1\} \times V^2$ with respect to any local orthonormal frame field $\{e_i\}$ such that $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ and $\{e_5, e_6\}$ are tangent to $S^4(\alpha)$ and V^2 , respectively. This means that the subspace $T_{p_2} V^2$ of $T_{(p_1, p_2)} M$ for any $p_2 \in V^2$ is J -invariant, and hence the subspace $T_{p_1} S^4(\alpha)$ of $T_{(p_1, p_2)} M$ is also J -invariant for any $p_1 \in S^4(\alpha)$. But, since among the round spheres S^{2n} , only S^2 and S^6 admit orthogonal almost complex structures [7], this is impossible. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.3. □

4. Warped product manifolds of surfaces

In this section, we study the integrability of orthogonal almost complex structures on warped product manifolds of surfaces.

Lemma 4.1. *Let $(M, g) = N_1 \times_f N_2$ be a warped product manifold of an oriented closed 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold (N_1, g_1) with nonnegative Gaussian curvature and an oriented 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold (N_2, g_2) with strictly positive Gaussian curvature, and let J be a Hermitian structure on M . Then the subspaces $T_p N_1$ and $T_q N_2$ of $T_{(p, q)} M$ are J -invariant, respectively.*

We omit the proof of Lemma 4.1, instead of it, we refer to the proof of Theorem 1.2 in [5]. Now we prove the following theorem.

Theorem 4.2. *Let $(M, g) = N_1 \times_f N_2$ be a warped product manifold of an oriented closed 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold (N_1, g_1) with nonnegative Gaussian curvature and an oriented 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold (N_2, g_2) with strictly positive Gaussian curvature, and let J be an orthogonal almost complex structure on M . Then (M, J, g) is a Kähler manifold if and only if f is a constant function on N_1 .*

Proof. First, recalling that every almost complex structure on an oriented 2-dimensional manifold is integrable, let J_1 and J_2 be the naturally induced complex structure on (N_1, g_1) and (N_2, g_2) , respectively. Then by Lemma 4.1 we find that $J|_{N_1} = J_1$ and $J|_{N_2} = J_2$. Moreover, since every Riemannian metric on an oriented 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold is a Kähler metric with respect to the induced complex structure, using (2.1) ~ (2.4) we compute

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.1) \quad (\nabla_X J)Y &= \nabla_X JY - J(\nabla_X Y) \\
 &= \nabla_X^{N_1} J_1 Y - J \nabla_X^{N_1} Y \\
 &= J_1 \nabla_X Y - J_1 \nabla_X Y = 0, \\
 (4.2) \quad (\nabla_X J)V &= \nabla_X JV - J(\nabla_X V) \\
 &= \nabla_X J_2 V - J_2 \nabla_X V \\
 &= \frac{1}{f} g_1(\text{grad}^{N_1} f, X) J_2 V - \frac{1}{f} g_1(\text{grad}^{N_1} f, X) J_2 V = 0, \\
 (4.3) \quad (\nabla_V J)X &= \nabla_V JX - J(\nabla_V X) \\
 &= \nabla_V J_1 X - J_2 \nabla_V X \\
 &= \frac{1}{f} g_1(\text{grad}^{N_1} f, J_1 X) V - \frac{1}{f} g_1(\text{grad}^{N_1} f, X) J_2 V, \\
 (4.4) \quad (\nabla_V J)W &= \nabla_V JW - J(\nabla_V W) \\
 &= \nabla_V J_2 W - J(\nabla_V W) \\
 &= \nabla_V^{N_2} J_2 W - f g_1(V, J_2 W) \text{grad}^{N_1} f - J_2 \nabla_V^{N_2} W \\
 &\quad + f g_2(V, W) J_1 \text{grad}^{N_1} f \\
 &= -f g_2(V, J_2 W) \text{grad}^{N_1} f + f g_2(V, W) J_1 \text{grad}^{N_1} f
 \end{aligned}$$

for $X, Y \in X(N_1)$ and $V, W \in X(N_2)$. Suppose that (J, g) is a Kähler structure. Then, from (4.4), we have $\text{grad}^{N_1} f = 0$, which yields f is a constant function. Conversely, we see that $N_1 \times_c N_2$ is a Kähler manifold. \square

Corollary 4.3. *Let $(M, g) = N_1 \times_f S^2$ be a warped product of an oriented closed 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold (N_1, g_1) with nonnegative Gaussian curvature and a round sphere, and let J be a Hermitian structure with respect to g . Then (M, J, g) is a Kähler manifold if and only if f is a constant function on N_1 .*

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