

Hypercomplex structures on tangent bundles

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With help of any metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ on an almost Hermitian manifold M we can construct by the defined way an almost Hermitian hypercomplex structure on the tangent bundle TM . This structure includes two basic anticommutative almost Hermitian structures for which introduced by the second author the fundamental tensor fields h^1 and h^2 are computed. It allows to consider various classes of almost Hermitian hypercomplex structures on TM .

1. Introduction.

Let (M, J, g) be an almost Hermitian manifold i.e. $J^2 = -I$ and $g(JX, JY) = g(X, Y)$ for $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, where g is a fixed Riemannian metric on M .

For the Riemannian connection ∇ the canonical connection $\bar{\nabla}$ of the pair (J, g) [1] is defined by the formula

$$(1) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X Y = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_X Y - J\nabla_X JY) = \nabla_X Y + \frac{1}{2}\nabla_X (J)JY, \quad X, Y \in \chi(M).$$

The tensor field $h = \nabla - \bar{\nabla}$ is called the second fundamental tensor field of the pair (J, g) [1], in particular, we have $\bar{\nabla}g = 0$, $\bar{\nabla}J = 0$ and

$$(2) \quad h_X Y = -\frac{1}{2}\nabla_X (J)JY = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_X Y + J\nabla_X JY),$$

$$(3) \quad h_{XYZ} = g(h_X Y, Z) = -h_{XZY}, \quad X, Y \in \chi(M).$$

The classification given in [3] has been rewritten in terms of the tensor field h in [1].

Further, an almost Hermitian hypercomplex structure (aHhs) consists of (J_1, J_2, J_3) where $J_i^2 = -I$, $J_1 J_2 = -J_2 J_1 = J_3$, $g(J_i X, J_i Y) = g(X, Y)$, $i = 1, 2, 3$. For any Riemannian metric \tilde{g} such a metric g can be defined by the formula

$$g(X, Y) = \frac{1}{4}(\tilde{g}(X, Y) + \tilde{g}(J_1 X, J_1 Y) + \tilde{g}(J_2 X, J_2 Y) + \tilde{g}(J_3 X, J_3 Y)).$$

If ∇ is the Riemannian connection of the metric g then the canonical connection $\bar{\nabla}$ of the aHhs has the following form

$$(4) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X Y = \frac{1}{4}(\nabla_X Y - J_1 \nabla_X J_1 Y - J_2 \nabla_X J_2 Y - J_3 \nabla_X J_3 Y)$$

and $\bar{\nabla}g = 0$, $\bar{\nabla}J_i = 0$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Proposition. Let (M, J_1, g) be a Kaehlerian structure i.e. $\nabla J_1 = 0$ on M then the connection given by (4) coincides with those defined by (1) for (M, J_2, g) and (M, J_3, g) . In particular, the second fundamental tensor fields of (M, J_2, g) and (M, J_3, g) are the same.

Proof follow from (4) and (1) with help of condition $\nabla J_1 = 0$.

Theorem. A vector field X is an infinitesimal isometry and an affine transformation with respect to $\bar{\nabla}$ defined by (4) if and only if $L_X g = 0$ and $L_X h = 0$, where $h = \nabla - \bar{\nabla}$, L is the Lie differentiation with respect to X .

2. Hypercomplex structures on tangent bundles.

Let (M, J, g) be an almost Hermitian manifold and TM be its tangent bundle. For a metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ ($\tilde{\nabla}g = 0$) we consider the connection map \tilde{K} of $\tilde{\nabla}$ [2], defined by the formula

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Z = \tilde{K}Z_*X,$$

where Z is considered as a map from M into TM and we mean by the right side the vector field on M assigning to $p \in M$ the vector $\tilde{K}Z_*X_p \in M_p$. If $U \in TM$, we denote by H_U the kernel of $\tilde{K}|_{TM_U}$ and this $2n$ -dimensional subspace of TM_U is called the horizontal subspace of TM_U . Let π denote the natural projection of TM onto M then π_* is a C^∞ -map of TM onto M . If $U \in TM$, we denote by V_U the kernel of $\pi_*|_{TM_U}$ and this $2n$ -dimensional subspace of TM_U is called the vertical subspace of TM_U ($\dim TM_U = 2 \dim M = 4n$). The following maps are isomorphisms of corresponding vector spaces ($p = \pi(U)$).

$$\pi_*|_{TM_U} : H_U \rightarrow M_p, \quad \tilde{K}|_{TM_U} : V_U \rightarrow M_p$$

and we have $TM_U = H_U \oplus V_U$.

If $X \in \chi(M)$ then there exists exactly one vector field on TM called the "horizontal lift" (resp. "vertical lift") of X and denoted by X^h (resp. X^v) such that for all $U \in TM$:

$$\pi_*X_U^h = X_{\pi(U)}, \quad \pi_*X_U^v = O_{\pi(U)}; \quad \tilde{K}X_U^h = O_{\pi(U)}, \quad \tilde{K}X_U^v = X_{\pi(U)}.$$

Let \tilde{R} be the curvature tensor field of $\tilde{\nabla}$ then following [2] we have

$$[X^v, Y^v] = 0, \quad [X^h, Y^v] = (\tilde{\nabla}_X Y)^v, \quad \pi_*([X^h, Y^h]_U) = [X, Y], \\ \tilde{K}([X^h, Y^v]_U) = \tilde{R}(X, Y)U.$$

For vector fields $\bar{X} = X^h \oplus X^v$ and $\bar{Y} = Y^h \oplus Y^v$ on TM the natural Riemannian metric \langle, \rangle is defined on TM by the formula

$$\langle \bar{X}, \bar{Y} \rangle = g(\pi_*\bar{X}, \pi_*\bar{Y}) + g(\tilde{K}\bar{X}, \tilde{K}\bar{Y}).$$

It is clear that the subspaces H_U and V_U are orthogonal with respect to \langle, \rangle .

I). We define a tensor field J_1 on TM by the equalities

$$J_1X^h = X^v, \quad J_1X^v = -X^h, \quad X \in \chi(M).$$

It is easy to verify that $(TM, J_1, \langle, \rangle)$ is an almost Hermitian manifold.

Remark. This construction uses only the Riemannian metric g and does not depend on the almost complex structure J .

Let h^1 be the second fundamental tensor field of the pair (J_1, \langle, \rangle) , see (2), (3). We have obtained the following cases for the tensor field h^1 assuming all the vector fields to be orthonormal

$$1.1^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^h Z^h}^1 = \frac{1}{2} (g(\nabla_X Y, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_X Y, Z)); \\ 2.1^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^h Z^v}^1 = -\frac{1}{4} (g(\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z, U) + g(\tilde{R}(Z, X)Y, U));$$

$$\begin{aligned}
3.1^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^v Z^h}^1 &= -\frac{1}{4} \left(g(\tilde{R}(Z, X)Y, U) + g(\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z, U) \right); \\
4.1^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^h Z^h}^1 &= -\frac{1}{4} g(\tilde{R}(Z, Y)X, U); \\
5.1^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^v Z^v}^1 &= \frac{1}{4} g(\tilde{R}(Z, Y)X, U); \\
6.1^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^v Z^h}^1 &= 0; \\
7.1^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^h Z^v}^1 &= 0; \\
8.1^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^v Z^v}^1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(g(\tilde{\nabla}_X Y, Z) - g(\nabla_X Y, Z) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the tensor field h^1 (class of the structure $(J_1, <, >)$) strongly depends on the connection $\tilde{\nabla}$.

II). We define a tensor field J_2 on TM assuming

$$J_2 X^h = (JX)^h, \quad J_2 X^v = -(JX)^v, \quad X \in \chi(M).$$

One can verify that $(TM, J_1, J_2, J_3 = J_1 J_2, <, >)$ is an almost Hermitian hypercomplex manifold.

Let h^2 be the second fundamental tensor field of the pair $(J_2, <, >)$, see (2), (3). Assuming all the vector fields to be orthonormal we have got

$$\begin{aligned}
1.2^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^h Z^h}^2 &= h_{XYZ}; \\
2.2^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^h Z^v}^2 &= -\frac{1}{4} \left(g(\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z, U) + g(\tilde{R}(X, JY)JZ, U) \right); \\
3.2^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^v Z^h}^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(g(\tilde{R}(X, Z)Y, U) + g(\tilde{R}(X, JZ)JY, U) \right); \\
4.2^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^h Z^h}^2 &= -\frac{1}{4} \left(g(\tilde{R}(Z, Y)X, U) + g(\tilde{R}(JZ, JY)X, U) \right); \\
5.2^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^v Z^v}^2 &= 0; \\
6.2^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^v Z^h}^2 &= 0; \\
7.2^0) \quad h_{X^v Y^h Z^v}^2 &= 0; \\
8.2^0) \quad h_{X^h Y^v Z^v}^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(g(\tilde{\nabla}_X X, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_X JY, JZ) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that the construction of the aHhs on TM strongly depends on the connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ and we can obtain in this way an infinite dimensional set of aHhs.

Using the remark in I) and the arguments above we have got the following

Theorem. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold. Then there exists an infinite dimensional set of aHhs on TM . These structures can be constructed by the method above.

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