

# An adapted connection on a strict complex contact manifold

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## Abstract

We find a class of connections on a strict complex almost contact manifold, which we call adapted connections, and, by using them, we prove some results about the normality of such a manifold.

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## 1 Introduction

Concerning the complex contact manifold we shall recall some notions as they are presented in [1].

A complex contact manifold is a complex manifold of odd complex dimension  $2n+1$  together with an open covering  $\{\mathcal{O}_\alpha\}$  by coordinate neighborhoods such that:

1. On each  $\{\mathcal{O}_\alpha\}$  there is a holomorphic 1-form  $\theta_\alpha$  such that

$$\theta_\alpha \wedge (d\theta_\alpha)^n \neq 0;$$

2. On  $\mathcal{O}_\alpha \cap \mathcal{O}_\beta \neq \emptyset$  there is a non-vanishing holomorphic function  $f_{\alpha\beta}$  such that  $\theta_\alpha = f_{\alpha\beta}\theta_\beta$ .

A complex contact manifold with a global complex form is called strict complex contact manifold.

On the other hand if  $M$  is a complex manifold with almost complex structure  $J$ , Hermitian metric  $g$  and open covering  $\{\mathcal{O}_\alpha\}$  by coordinate neighborhoods,  $M$  is called a complex almost contact metric manifold if it satisfies the following two conditions:

1. On each  $\{\mathcal{O}_\alpha\}$  there exist 1-forms  $u_\alpha$  and  $v_\alpha = u_\alpha \circ J$  with orthogonal dual vector fields  $U_\alpha$  and  $V_\alpha = -JU_\alpha$  and (1,1) tensor fields  $G_\alpha$  and  $H_\alpha = G_\alpha J$  such that

$$G_\alpha^2 = H_\alpha^2 = -I + u_\alpha \otimes U_\alpha + v_\alpha \otimes V_\alpha,$$

$$G_\alpha J = -JG_\alpha, \quad G_\alpha U_\alpha = 0, \quad g(X, G_\alpha Y) = -g(G_\alpha X, Y),$$

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2. On  $\mathcal{O}_\alpha \cap \mathcal{O}_\beta \neq \emptyset$ ,

$$u_\beta = au_\alpha - bv_\alpha, \quad v_\beta = bu_\alpha + av_\alpha,$$

$$G_\beta = aG_\alpha - bH_\alpha, \quad v_\beta = bG_\alpha + aH_\alpha,$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are functions with  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ . We call a complex almost contact manifold with global structure tensors a strict complex almost contact manifold.

It is proved that a complex contact manifold admits a complex almost contact metric structure for which the local contact form  $\theta$  is of the form  $u - iv$  and the local tensor fields  $G$  and  $H$  are related to  $du$  and  $dv$  by

$$du(X, Y) = g(X, GY) + (\sigma \wedge v)(X, Y),$$

$$dv(X, Y) = g(X, HY) - (\sigma \wedge u)(X, Y),$$

where  $\sigma(X) = g(\nabla_X U, V)$ . We call a complex contact manifold with a complex almost contact metric structure satisfying these conditions, a complex contact metric manifold. Note that if the complex contact structure is strict then  $\sigma = 0$ .

Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two tensor fields defined by

$$S_1(X, Y) = N_G(X, Y) + 2g(X, GY)U - 2g(X, HY)V + 2(v(Y)HX - v(X)HY)$$

$$+ \sigma(GY)HX - \sigma(GX)HY + \sigma(X)GHY - \sigma(Y)GHX,$$

$$S_2(X, Y) = N_H(X, Y) - 2g(X, GY)U + 2g(X, HY)V + 2(u(Y)GX - u(X)GY)$$

$$+ \sigma(HX)GY - \sigma(HY)GX + \sigma(X)GHY - \sigma(Y)GHX,$$

where  $N_G$  and  $N_H$  are the Nijenhuis tensor fields of  $G$  and  $H$ , respectively.

A complex contact metric structure is normal if

$$S_1(X, Y) = S_2(X, Y) = 0, \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{H},$$

$$S_1(U, X) = S_2(V, X) = 0, \quad X \in \chi(M),$$

where  $\mathcal{H}$  is the subbundle named the horizontal subbundle and defined by the subspaces  $\{X \in T_P \mathcal{O}_\alpha, P \in M; \theta_\alpha(X) = 0\}$ .

A normal complex contact metric manifold whose complex contact structure is given by a global complex contact form is called a complex Sasakian manifold.

For a complex Sasakian manifold we have the following formulas, (see [3]),

$$(1.1) \quad g((\nabla_X G)Y, Z) = -2v(X)g(HGY, Z) - u(Y)g(X, Z) - \\ -v(Y)g(JX, Z) + u(Z)g(X, Y) + v(Z)g(JX, Y),$$

$$(1.2) \quad g((\nabla_X H)Y, Z) = -2u(X)g(HGY, Z) + u(Y)g(JX, Z) - \\ -v(Y)g(X, Z) + u(Z)g(X, JY) + v(Z)g(X, Y),$$

and

$$(1.3) \quad g((\nabla_X J)Y, Z) = -2u(X)g(HY, Z) + 2v(X)g(GY, Z)$$

## 2 Adapted connections on a strict complex almost contact manifold

In [4], [6] and [5] the authors introduced a class of adapted connections on an almost contact manifold. In this paper we define, in a similar way, a class of adapted connections on a strict complex almost contact manifold.

Let  $(M, J, G, H, U, V, u, v)$  be a strict complex almost contact manifold and let us denote by  $p = I - u \otimes U - v \otimes V$  and  $q = u \otimes U + v \otimes V$  the projectors on the distributions  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{V} = \text{span}\{U, V\}$ , respectively. It is easy to see that

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} p^2 = p, q^2 = q, pq = qp = 0, \\ G^2 = H^2 = -p, pG = Gp = G, pH = Hp = H, \\ qG = Gq = 0, qH = Hq = 0, \\ GH = -HG = -pJ \end{cases}.$$

**Definition 2.1.** We call an affine connection on the strict complex manifold  $M$  an adapted connection if

$$(2.2) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\nabla_X G)Y = -2v(X)pJY - u(Y)pX - v(Y)pJX + \\ \quad + \frac{1}{2}[du(GX, pY) - du(X, GY)]U - \\ \quad - \frac{1}{2}[dv(GX, pY) + dv(X, GY)]V, \\ (\nabla_X H)Y = 2u(X)pJY + u(Y)pJX - v(Y)pX - \\ \quad - \frac{1}{2}[du(HX, pY) - du(X, HY)]U + \\ \quad + \frac{1}{2}[dv(HX, pY) - dv(X, HY)]V, \\ (\nabla_X u)Y = \frac{1}{2}[du(X, Y) + du(GX, GY)], \\ (\nabla_X v)Y = \frac{1}{2}[dv(X, Y) + dv(HX, HY)], \\ \nabla_X U = -GX - \frac{1}{2}du(X, U)U - \frac{1}{2}dv(X, U)V, \\ \nabla_X V = -HX - \frac{1}{2}du(X, V)U - \frac{1}{2}dv(X, V)V, \end{array} \right.$$

for any  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

Note that on a complex Sasakian manifold the Levi-Civita connection is an adapted connection.

**Remark 2.1.** If  $\nabla$  is an adapted connection on  $M$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X J)Y &= 2v(X)GY - 2u(X)HY + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}[dv(X, Y) + dv(HX, HY) - du(GX, HY) - du(X, JY)]U - \end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}[du(X, Y) + du(GX, GY) - dv(GX, HY) + dv(X, JX)]V,$$

for any  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

In order to prove the existence of the adapted connections on a strict complex almost contact manifold  $(M, J, G, H, U, V, u, v)$  let us define first the following tensor fields of type  $(2, 2)$  on  $M$

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{cases} \phi^G = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I - G \otimes G), & \Psi^G = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I + G \otimes G), \\ \phi^H = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I - H \otimes H), & \Psi^H = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I + H \otimes H), \\ \Theta = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I - p \otimes p). \end{cases}$$

Just like in the real case (see [6]), it is easy to prove that

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{cases} \phi^G + \Psi^G = I \otimes I, & (\phi^G)^2 = \phi^G - \frac{1}{2}\Theta, & (\Psi^G)^2 = \Psi^G - \frac{1}{2}\Theta, \\ \phi^G \Psi^G = \Psi^G \phi^G = \phi^G \Theta = \Theta \phi^G = \Psi^G \Theta = \Theta \Psi^G = \Theta^2 = \frac{1}{2}\Theta, \\ (\Psi^G + \Theta) + (\phi^G - \Theta) = I \otimes I, \\ (\Psi^G + \Theta)(\phi^G - \Theta) = (\phi^G - \Theta)(\Psi^G + \Theta) = 0, \\ (\Psi^G + \Theta)(\Psi^G + \Theta) = \Psi^G + \Theta, & (\phi^G - \Theta)(\phi^G - \Theta) = \phi^G - \Theta, \end{cases}$$

and that the similar equations holds for  $\phi^H$  and  $\Psi^H$ . Note that the previous results are obtained by using the expressions of the tensor fields in local coordinates. For example  $[(\phi^G)^2]_{hj}^{kl} = (\phi^G)_{ij}^{kr} (\phi^G)_{hr}^{il}$ , where  $(\phi^G)_{ij}^{kr} = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_i^k \delta_j^r - G_i^k G_j^r)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** *If  $\dot{\nabla}$  is a connection on the strict complex almost contact manifold  $M$  then the family of the adapted connections on  $M$  is given by*

$$(2.5) \quad \nabla = \dot{\nabla} + P,$$

where  $P$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, 2)$  on  $M$ , given by  $P(X, Y) = P_X(Y)$ , where  $P_X$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$  defined as follows

$$P_X = B_X^G + B_X^H - (\Psi^H + \Theta)B_X^G + (\phi^H - \Theta)R_X,$$

with  $R$  an arbitrary tensor field of type  $(1, 2)$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} B_X^G &= \frac{1}{2}(\dot{\nabla}_X G)G - v(X)H - \frac{1}{2}[i_{GX}du \circ G + i_X du - u \circ (\dot{\nabla}_X G^2)] \otimes U + \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}[i_{GX}dv \circ G - i_X dv + v \circ (\dot{\nabla}_X G^2)] \otimes V - \\ &\quad - (GX + \dot{\nabla}_X U) \otimes u - (HX + \dot{\nabla}_X V) \otimes v, \\ B_X^H &= \frac{1}{2}(\dot{\nabla}_X H)H - u(X)G + \frac{1}{2}[i_{HX}du \circ H - i_X du + u \circ (\dot{\nabla}_X H^2)] \otimes U + \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}[i_{HX}dv \circ H + i_X dv - v \circ (\dot{\nabla}_X H^2)] \otimes V - \\ &\quad - (GX + \dot{\nabla}_X U) \otimes u - (HX + \dot{\nabla}_X V) \otimes v. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From  $\nabla_X = \dot{\nabla}_X + P_X$  and since  $\nabla$  is an adapted connection it follows that

$$(2.6) \quad P_X(U) = -GX - \frac{1}{2}i_X du(U)U - \frac{1}{2}dv(U)V - \dot{\nabla}_X U$$

and

$$(2.7) \quad P_X(V) = -HX - \frac{1}{2}i_X du(V)U - \frac{1}{2}i_X dv(V)V - \dot{\nabla}_X V.$$

We also obtain that

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} P_X \circ G - G \circ P_X &= -\dot{\nabla}_X G - 2v(X)pJ - pX \otimes u - pJX \otimes v + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}[i_{GX}du - (i_{GX}du(U))u - (i_{GX}du(V))v - i_X du \circ G] \otimes U - \\ &- \frac{1}{2}[i_{GX}dv - (i_{GX}dv(U))u - (i_{GX}dv(V))v + i_X dv \circ G] \otimes V \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.9) \quad \begin{aligned} P_X \circ H - H \circ P_X &= -\dot{\nabla}_X H + 2u(X)pJ + pJX \otimes u - pX \otimes v - \\ &- \frac{1}{2}[i_{HX}du - (i_{HX}du(U))u - (i_{HX}du(V))v + i_X du \circ H] \otimes U + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}[i_{HX}dv - (i_{HX}dv(U))u - (i_{HX}dv(V))v - i_X dv \circ H] \otimes V. \end{aligned}$$

The equations 2.6 and 2.8 are equivalent with

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} P_X + G \circ P_X \circ G &= (\dot{\nabla}_X G)G - 2v(X)pH - \\ &- \frac{1}{2}[i_{GX}du \circ G - i_X du \circ G^2 + i_X du(U)u + i_X du(V)v] \otimes U + \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}[i_{GX}dv \circ G + i_X dv \circ G^2 - i_X dv(U)u - i_X dv(V)v] \otimes V - \\ &- (GX + \dot{\nabla}_X U) \otimes u - (HX + \dot{\nabla}_X V) \otimes v, \end{aligned}$$

which can be written

$$\Psi^G P_X = \frac{1}{2}A_X,$$

where we have denoted with  $A_X$  the right side of equation 2.10. It follows from 2.4, that  $2\Theta\Psi^G P_X = \Theta P_X = \Theta A_X$  and then  $(\Psi^G + \Theta)P_X = \frac{1}{2}A_X + \Theta A_X = B_X^G$ . Hence  $P_X = B_X^G + (\phi^G - \Theta)Q_X$ , where  $Q_X$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$ . Replacing  $P_X$  in the equation for  $H$  which is an analogous of 2.10 and through a similar computation one obtains that

$$(\phi^G - \Theta)Q_X = B_X^H - (\Psi^H + \Theta)B_X^G + (\phi^H - \Theta)R_X,$$

where  $R$  is an arbitrary tensor field of type  $(1, 2)$ . Thus one obtains the desired result.

**Remark 2.3.** If in the proof of the previous theorem we use first the equation for  $H$  one obtains for  $P_X$  the following formula, which is equivalent with that in the theorem

$$P_X = B_X^H + B_X^G - (\Psi^G + \Theta)B_X^H + (\phi^G - \Theta)M_X.$$

**Remark 2.4.** If  $\dot{\nabla}$  is an adapted connection on  $M$  then the family of all adapted connections on  $M$  is given by  $\nabla = \dot{\nabla} + (\phi^H - \Theta)R_X$  or  $\nabla = \dot{\nabla} + (\phi^G - \Theta)M_X$ .

### 3 The torsion of an adapted connection

Let  $(M, J, G, H, U, V, u, v)$  be a strict complex almost contact manifold and let  $\nabla$  be an adapted connection on  $M$ . Let  $T$  be the torsion of  $\nabla$ , given by

$$T(X, Y) = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y], \quad X, Y \in \chi(M).$$

After a straightforward computation one obtains

$$(3.1) \quad T(X, Y) + GT(X, GY) + GT(GX, Y) - T(GX, GY) = N_G(X, Y) + 2du(X, Y)U - 2dv(HX, HY)V$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad T(X, Y) + HT(X, HY) + HT(HX, Y) - T(HX, HY) = N_H(X, Y) - 2du(GX, GY)U + 2dv(X, Y)V,$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathcal{H}$ . Similarly we have

$$(3.3) \quad T(X, U) + GT(GX, U) = N_G(X, U) + 2du(X, U)U,$$

$$(3.4) \quad T(X, V) + HT(HX, V) = N_H(X, V) + 2dv(X, V)V,$$

for any  $X \in \chi(M)$ .

Using this formulas and the fact that the Levi-Civita connection on a complex Sasakian manifold is adapted we can state the following

**Theorem 3.1.** *A strict complex contact manifold  $M$  is a complex Sasakian manifold if and only if there exist a torsion free adapted connection on  $M$ .*

In order to improve this result let us define for the strict complex almost contact manifold  $(M, J, G, H, U, V, u, v)$  the tensor fields

$$S_1(X, Y) = N_G(X, Y) + 2du(X, Y)U - 2dv(HX, HY)V,$$

$$S_2(X, Y) = N_H(X, Y) - 2du(GX, GY)U + 2dv(X, Y)V,$$

for any  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

From 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 one obtains

**Proposition 3.2.** *If on a strict complex almost contact manifold there exist a torsion free adapted connection then*

$$S_1(X, Y) = S_2(X, Y), \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{H}$$

and

$$S_1(U, X) = S_2(V, X) = 0, \quad X \in \chi(M).$$

**Proposition 3.3.** *On a strict complex almost contact manifold we have*

$$u(S_1(X, Y)) = 2u(T(X, Y)), \quad v(S_2(X, Y)) = 2v(T(X, Y)), \quad X, Y \in \chi(M),$$

$$q(S_1(U, X)) = q(T(U, X)), \quad q(S_2(V, X)) = q(T(V, X)), \quad X \in \chi(M).$$

*Proof.* From the definition of the torsion  $T$  one obtains  $u(T(X, Y)) = (2du(X, Y) + (\nabla_X u)Y - (\nabla_Y u)X) = du(X, Y) - du(GX, GY)$ , since the connection is adapted. On the other hand we have  $u(S_1(X, Y)) = u([GX, GY]) + 2du(X, Y) = 2du(X, Y) - 2du(GX, GY)$ . The last two statements follows directly from 3.3 and 3.4.

In the following let us consider  $X, Y \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $S_{1X}(Y) = S_1(X, Y)$ ,  $T_X(Y) = T(X, Y)$ . From 3.1 one obtains that

$$(3.5) \quad p(S_{1X}) = pT_X + GT_X \circ G + GT_{GX} - pT_{GX} \circ G$$

Since  $G \otimes G = p \otimes p - 2(\phi^G - \Theta)$  we have

$$(3.6) \quad GT_{GX}(GY) = pT_X(Y) - 2(\phi^G - \Theta)_Y T_X,$$

where  $(\phi^G - \Theta)_Y(X) = (\phi^G - \Theta)(Y, X)$ . After a straightforward computation it follows  $pT_{GX}GY = -pT_XY + 2(\phi^G - \Theta)_Y GT_{GX} - 2(\phi^G - \Theta)_X T_Y$  and since  $2pT_{GX}(GY) = pT_{GX}(GY) - pT_{GY}(GX)$  we have

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} (pT_{GX} \circ G)Y &= -pT_X(Y) - (\phi^G - \Theta)_X(T_Y + GT_{GY}) + \\ &\quad + (\phi^G - \Theta)_Y(T_X + GT_{GX}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, using 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7,

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} pS_{1X}(Y) &= 4pT_X(Y) - (\phi^G - \Theta)_Y(3T_X + GT_{GX}) + \\ &\quad + (\phi^G - \Theta)_X(3T_Y + GT_{GY}). \end{aligned}$$

In the same way

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} pS_{2X}(Y) &= 4pT_X(Y) - (\phi^H - \Theta)_Y(3T_X + HT_{HX}) + \\ &\quad + (\phi^H - \Theta)_X(3T_Y + HT_{HY}), \end{aligned}$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathcal{H}$ .

By a similar computation one obtains

$$(3.10) \quad pS_{1X}(U) = pT_X(U) + pT_{pX}(U) + 2(\phi^G - \Theta)_X T_U,$$

$$(3.11) \quad pS_{2X}(V) = pT_X(V) + pT_{pX}(V) + 2(\phi^H - \Theta)_X T_V.$$

Assume that  $S_{1X}(Y) = S_{2X}(Y) = 0$ ,  $X, Y \in \mathcal{H}$ , and  $S_{1U}(X) = S_{2V}(X) = 0$ ,  $X \in \chi(M)$ . From the second assumption it follows, by using Proposition 3.3 that  $qT(X, Y) = 0$ ,  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ . Using the previous results, the fact that  $2T_X(Y) = T_X(Y) - T_Y(X)$  and the first assumption we have

$$\begin{aligned} pT_X(Y) - \frac{1}{2}[(\phi^G - \Theta)_Y(\frac{3}{4}T_{pX} + \frac{1}{4}GT_{GX} + 2u(X)T_U) + \\ + (\phi^H - \Theta)_Y(\frac{3}{4}T_{pX} + \frac{1}{4}HT_{HX} + 2v(X)T_V)] + \\ + \frac{1}{2}[(\phi^G - \Theta)_X(\frac{3}{4}T_{pY} + \frac{1}{4}GT_{GY} + 2u(Y)T_U) + \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& +(\phi^H - \Theta)_X \left( \frac{3}{4} T_{pY} + \frac{1}{4} HT_{HY} + 2v(Y)T_V \right) = \\
& = pT_X(Y) - \frac{1}{2} C(Y, X) + \frac{1}{2} C(X, Y) = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
C(Y, X) &= (\phi^G - \Theta)_Y \left( \frac{3}{4} T_{pX} + \frac{1}{4} GT_{GX} + 2u(X)T_U \right) + \\
& + (\phi^H - \Theta)_Y \left( \frac{3}{4} T_{pX} + \frac{1}{4} HT_{HX} + 2v(X)T_V \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the affine connection  $\tilde{\nabla}$  on  $M$  defined by  $\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y - \frac{1}{2} C(Y, X)$ . It is easy to see that  $\tilde{\nabla}$  is torsion free and, from Theorem 2.2,  $\tilde{\nabla}$  is an adapted connection. We just have obtained

**Theorem 3.4.** *On a strict complex almost contact manifold  $M$  there exist a torsion free adapted connection if and only if*

$$S_1(X, Y) = S_2(X, Y) = 0, \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{H}$$

and

$$S_1(U, X) = S_2(V, X) = 0, \quad X \in \chi(M).$$

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