

Normal semi-invariant submanifolds of paraquaternionic space forms and mixed 3-structures

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Abstract. In this paper we study the normal semi-invariant submanifolds of paraquaternionic space forms and obtain some properties; in particular, we prove the non-existence of a mixed geodesic foliated normal semi-invariant submanifold in a non-flat paraquaternionic space form. Also, we give some conditions for the existence of a mixed 3-structure on a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold.

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1 Introduction

The paraquaternionic structures, firstly named quaternionic structures of second kind, have been introduced by P. Libermann [13] in 1954. The differential geometry of manifolds endowed with this kind of structures is a very interesting subject and these manifolds have been intensively studied by many authors [1], [5], [6], [7], [10], [19], [20].

On the other hand, the concept of normal semi-invariant submanifold has been introduced by Bejancu [3]. In the present note we study normal semi-invariant submanifolds of paraquaternionic space forms. The paper is organized as follows: in Section 2 one reminds basic definitions and fundamental properties of normal semi-invariant submanifolds of paraquaternionic Kähler manifolds. In Section 3 we obtain some properties for normal semi-invariant submanifolds in paraquaternionic space forms and prove the non-existence of mixed geodesic foliated normal semi-invariant submanifolds in non-flat paraquaternionic space forms. In the last Section we show the existence of a mixed 3-structure on a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold under some conditions.

2 Preliminaries

Let \overline{M} be a smooth manifold. We say that a rank-3 subbundle σ of $End(T\overline{M})$ is an almost paraquaternionic structure on \overline{M} if a local basis $\{J_1, J_2, J_3\}$ exists on sections of σ , such that for all $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ we have:

$$(2.1) \quad J_\alpha^2 = -\epsilon_\alpha Id, \quad J_\alpha J_{\alpha+1} = -J_{\alpha+1} J_\alpha = \epsilon_{\alpha+2} J_{\alpha+2}$$

where $\epsilon_1 = 1, \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_3 = -1$ and the indices are taken from $\{1, 2, 3\}$ modulo 3.

Let $(\overline{M}, \overline{g})$ be a semi-Riemannian manifold and σ an almost paraquaternionic structure on \overline{M} . The metric \overline{g} is said to be adapted to the paraquaternionic structure σ if it satisfies:

$$(2.2) \quad \overline{g}(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha Y) = \epsilon_\alpha \overline{g}(X, Y), \quad \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\},$$

for all vector fields X, Y on \overline{M} and any local basis $\{J_1, J_2, J_3\}$ of σ , where $\epsilon_1 = 1, \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_3 = -1$. In this case, $(\overline{M}, \sigma, \overline{g})$ is said to be an almost paraquaternionic hermitian manifold.

It is clear that any almost paraquaternionic hermitian manifold is of dimension $4m, m \geq 1$, and any adapted metric is necessarily of neutral signature $(2m, 2m)$.

Moreover, if the Levi-Civita connection of \overline{g} satisfies the following conditions for all $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$:

$$(2.3) \quad \overline{\nabla}_X J_\alpha = -\epsilon_\alpha [\omega_{\alpha+2}(X) J_{\alpha+1} - \omega_{\alpha+1}(X) J_{\alpha+2}]$$

where $\epsilon_1 = 1, \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_3 = -1$ and the indices are taken from $\{1, 2, 3\}$ modulo 3, for any vector field X on $\overline{M}, \omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$ being local 1-forms over the open for which $\{J_1, J_2, J_3\}$ is a local basis of σ , then $(\overline{M}, \sigma, \overline{g})$ is said to be a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold (see [7]). If $\omega_1 = \omega_2 = \omega_3 = 0$, then $(\overline{M}, \sigma, \overline{g})$ is said to be a locally para-hyper-Kähler manifold.

We remark that any paraquaternionic Kähler manifold is an Einstein manifold, provided that $dim M > 4$ (see [5], [7], [10], [19]).

Next, let (M, g) be a non-degenerate submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$, with $g = \overline{g}|_M$. Then (M, g) is called a normal semi-invariant submanifold of $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$ if there exists a non-degenerate vector subbundle Q of the normal bundle TM^\perp such that:

- (i) $J_\alpha(Q_p) = Q_p, \forall p \in M, \forall \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$;
- (ii) $J_\alpha(Q_p^\perp) \subset T_p M, \forall p \in M, \forall \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, where Q^\perp is the complementary orthogonal bundle to Q in TM^\perp (see [3]).

If (M, g) is a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$, then we set $D_{\alpha p} = J_\alpha(Q_p^\perp)$. We consider $D_{1p} \oplus D_{2p} \oplus D_{3p} = D_p^\perp$ and $3s$ -dimensional distribution $D^\perp : p \mapsto D_p^\perp$ globally defined on M , where $s = dim D_p^\perp$. We denote by D the complementary orthogonal distribution to D^\perp in TM . We remark that D is called the paraquaternionic distribution because it is invariant with respect to the action of $J_\alpha, \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ (see [3]).

Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$. Then we say that:

- (i) M is D -geodesic if:

$$B(X, Y) = 0, \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D).$$

(ii) M is D^\perp -geodesic if:

$$B(X, Y) = 0, \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp).$$

(iii) M is mixed geodesic if:

$$B(X, Y) = 0, \forall X \in \Gamma(D), Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp).$$

We recall now the following results concerning the integrability of the distributions D and D^\perp .

Theorem 2.1. [3] *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i) *The paraquaternionic distribution D is integrable.*
- (ii) *M is D -geodesic.*
- (iii) *The second fundamental form h of M satisfies:*

$$h(X, J_\alpha Y) = h(Y, J_\alpha X), \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D), \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}.$$

Theorem 2.2. [3] *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i) *The distribution D^\perp is integrable.*
- (ii) *$h(X, Y) \in \Gamma(Q), \forall X \in \Gamma(D), Y \in \Gamma(D^\perp)$.*

Remark 2.3. *If (M, g) is a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$, then for any $X \in \Gamma(D), Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $W \in \Gamma(Q)$ we can easily see that we have:*

$$(2.4) \quad \overline{g}(h(J_\alpha X, Y), W) = \overline{g}(J_\alpha h(X, Y), W),$$

for all $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$.

A normal semi-invariant submanifold (M, g) of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$ is said to be foliated if D and D^\perp are both non-null involutive distributions on M . Concerning the foliations \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}^\perp determined by the distributions D and D^\perp on M , provided they are integrable, Bejancu obtained that they are always totally geodesic (see [3]).

Theorem 2.4. *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g}, \sigma)$. Then the following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i) *M is foliated.*
- (ii) *$h(X, Y) \in \Gamma(Q), \forall X \in \Gamma(D), Y \in \Gamma(TM)$.*

Proof: From (2.4) we derive (see also [2]):

$$h(X, Y) \in \Gamma(Q^\perp), \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$$

and the proof is now clear from Theorems 2.1 and 2.2. □

3 Normal semi-invariant submanifolds of paraquaternionic space forms

Let $(\bar{M}, \sigma, \bar{g})$ be an almost hermitian paraquaternionic manifold. If $X \in T_p\bar{M}$, $p \in \bar{M}$, then the 4-plane $PQ(X)$ spanned by $\{X, J_1X, J_2X, J_3X\}$ is called a paraquaternionic 4-plane. A 2-plane in $T_p\bar{M}$ spanned by $\{X, Y\}$ is called half-paraquaternionic if $PQ(X) = PQ(Y)$.

Let $\pi = Sp\{X, Y\}$ be a plane tangent to \bar{M} at a point $p \in \bar{M}$. The sectional curvature of π , denoted $K(\pi)$, is defined by:

$$(3.1) \quad K(\pi) = \frac{\bar{R}(X, Y, X, Y)}{\bar{g}(X, X)\bar{g}(Y, Y) - \bar{g}(X, Y)^2}.$$

It is clear that this definition makes sense only for non-degenerate plane, i.e. those satisfying: $\bar{g}(X, X)\bar{g}(Y, Y) - \bar{g}(X, Y)^2 \neq 0$

The sectional curvature for a half-paraquaternionic 2-plane is called sectional curvature. A paraquaternionic Kähler manifold of constant paraquaternionic sectional curvature is said to be a paraquaternionic space form.

It is well-known that a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\bar{M}, \sigma, \bar{g})$ is a paraquaternionic space form, denoted $\bar{M}(c)$, if and only if its curvature tensor is:

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z &= \frac{c}{4}\{\bar{g}(Z, Y)X - \bar{g}(X, Z)Y + \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \epsilon_\alpha[\bar{g}(Z, J_\alpha Y)J_\alpha X \\ &\quad - \bar{g}(Z, J_\alpha X)J_\alpha Y + 2\bar{g}(X, J_\alpha Y)J_\alpha Z]\} \end{aligned}$$

for all vector fields X, Y, Z on M and any local basis $\{J_1, J_2, J_3\}$ of σ .

Remark 3.1. Let $\bar{M}(c)$ be a paraquaternionic space form. Then, from (3.2) we deduce that the sectional curvature of 2-plane spanned by the pseudo-orthonormal vectors $X, Y \in T_p\bar{M}$, $p \in \bar{M}$, is:

$$(3.3) \quad \bar{K}(X \wedge Y) = \frac{c}{4\epsilon_X\epsilon_Y}[\epsilon_X\epsilon_Y + 3\sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \epsilon_\alpha\bar{g}(J_\alpha X, Y)^2],$$

where $\epsilon_X = g(X, X)$, $\epsilon_Y = g(Y, Y)$, $\epsilon_1 = 1$, and $\epsilon_2 = \epsilon_3 = -1$.

Lemma 3.2. Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic space form $(\bar{M}(c), \sigma, \bar{g})$. Then, the sectional curvature of 2-plane spanned by the orthonormal vectors $X, Y \in T_pM$, $p \in M$, is:

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} K(X \wedge Y) &= \frac{c}{4\epsilon_X\epsilon_Y}[\epsilon_X\epsilon_Y + 3\sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \epsilon_\alpha\bar{g}(J_\alpha X, Y)^2 \\ &\quad + \bar{g}(h(X, X), h(Y, Y)) - \bar{g}(h(X, Y), h(X, Y))]. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The assertion follows from (3.3) and Gauss equation. □

Lemma 3.3. *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic space form $(\overline{M}(c), \sigma, \overline{g})$. Then the sectional curvature of 2-plane spanned by the space-like or time-like unit vectors $X, J_\alpha X \in D_p$, $p \in M$, is:*

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} H_{J_\alpha}(X) &= -\frac{c}{2} + \overline{g}(h(X, X), h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha X)) \\ &\quad - \overline{g}(h(X, J_\alpha X), h(X, J_\alpha X)). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The formula follows immediately from (3.4). □

Proposition 3.4. *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic space form $(\overline{M}(c), \sigma, \overline{g})$. If the paraquaternionic distribution D is integrable, then $H_{J_\alpha}(X) = -\frac{c}{2}$, for any space-like or time-like unit vector field $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$.*

Proof. The assertion is clear from Theorem 2.1 and (3.5). □

Theorem 3.5. *There are no mixed geodesic foliated normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic space form $\overline{M}(c)$, with $c \neq 0$.*

Proof. Let M be a foliated normal semi-invariant submanifold of $\overline{M}(c)$. If we take $X \in \Gamma(D)$ and $W \in \Gamma(Q^\perp)$, from (3.2) we obtain:

$$(3.6) \quad [\overline{R}(X, J_\alpha X)J_\alpha W]^\perp = \frac{c}{2}\epsilon_\alpha g(X, X)W$$

where \perp denotes the normal component, and so we have:

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \overline{R}(X, J_\alpha X, W, J_\alpha W) &= \overline{g}([\overline{R}(X, J_\alpha X)J_\alpha W]^\perp, W) \\ &= \frac{c}{2}\epsilon_\alpha g(X, X)\overline{g}(W, W) \end{aligned}$$

From Codazzi equation we have:

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \overline{R}(X, J_\alpha X, W, J_\alpha W) &= \overline{g}((\nabla_X^\perp h)(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W) - (\overline{\nabla}_{J_\alpha X} h)(X, J_\alpha W), W) \\ &= \overline{g}(\nabla_X^\perp h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), W) - \overline{g}(\nabla_{J_\alpha X}^\perp h(X, J_\alpha W), W) \end{aligned}$$

because the normal connection ∇^\perp satisfies:

$$(\nabla_U^\perp h)(V, Z) = \nabla_U^\perp h(V, Z) - h(\nabla_U V, Z) - h(V, \nabla_U Z), \quad \forall U, V, Z \in \Gamma(TM).$$

On the other hand we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{g}(\nabla_X^\perp h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), W) &= -\overline{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), \overline{\nabla}_X W) \\ &= \epsilon_\alpha \overline{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), -J_\alpha(\overline{\nabla}_X J_\alpha)W + J_\alpha \overline{\nabla}_X J_\alpha W) \\ &= \epsilon_\alpha \overline{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), J_\alpha(\nabla_X J_\alpha W + h(X, J_\alpha W))) \end{aligned}$$

and so we can easily derive:

$$(3.9) \quad \overline{g}(\nabla_X^\perp h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), W) = \epsilon_\alpha \overline{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W)).$$

Similarly we find:

$$(3.10) \quad \bar{g}(\nabla_{J_\alpha X}^\perp h(X, J_\alpha W), W) = -\epsilon_\alpha \bar{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W)).$$

From (3.8), (3.9) and (3.10) we obtain:

$$(3.11) \quad \bar{R}(X, J_\alpha X, W, J_\alpha W) = 2\epsilon_\alpha \bar{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W)).$$

Now, from (11) and (15) we derive:

$$(3.12) \quad cg(X, X)\bar{g}(W, W) = 4\bar{g}(h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W), h(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha W)).$$

If M is a mixed geodesic, from (3.12) we derive $c = 0$ and the proof is now complete. \square

Corollary 3.6. *There are no totally geodesic foliated normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic space form $\bar{M}(c)$, with $c \neq 0$.*

Proof. The assertion follows from Theorem 3.5. \square

4 Normal semi-invariant submanifolds and mixed 3-structures

Definition 4.1. Let M be a differentiable manifold equipped with a triple (ϕ, ξ, η) , where ϕ is a field of endomorphisms of the tangent spaces, ξ is a vector field and η is a 1-form on M . If we have:

$$(4.1) \quad \phi^2 = -\epsilon I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = \epsilon$$

then we say that:

- (i) (ϕ, ξ, η) is an almost contact structure on M , if $\epsilon = 1$ (cf. [4]).
- (ii) (ϕ, ξ, η) is a Lorentzian almost paracontact structure on M , if $\epsilon = -1$ (cf. [15]).

We remark that many authors also include in the above definition the conditions that $\phi\xi = 0$ and $\eta \circ \phi = 0$, although these are deducible from the conditions (4.1) (see [4]).

Definition 4.2. ([9]) Let M be a differentiable manifold which admits an almost contact structure (ϕ_1, ξ_1, η_1) and two Lorentzian almost paracontact structures (ϕ_2, ξ_2, η_2) and (ϕ_3, ξ_3, η_3) , satisfying the following conditions:

$$(4.2) \quad \eta_\alpha(\xi_\beta) = 0, \forall \alpha \neq \beta,$$

$$(4.3) \quad \phi_\alpha(\xi_\beta) = -\phi_\beta(\xi_\alpha) = \epsilon_\gamma \xi_\gamma,$$

$$(4.4) \quad \eta_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta = -\eta_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha = \epsilon_\gamma \eta_\gamma,$$

$$(4.5) \quad \phi_\alpha \circ \phi_\beta - \eta_\beta \otimes \xi_\alpha = -\phi_\beta \circ \phi_\alpha + \eta_\alpha \otimes \xi_\beta = \epsilon_\gamma \phi_\gamma,$$

where (α, β, γ) is an even permutation of $(1, 2, 3)$ and $\epsilon_1 = 1, \epsilon_2 = \epsilon_3 = -1$.

Then the manifold M is said to have a mixed 3-structure $(\phi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha, \eta_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \{1,2,3\}}$. Moreover, if the manifold M admits a semi-Riemannian metric g such that:

$$(4.6) \quad g(\phi_\alpha X, \phi_\alpha Y) = \epsilon_\alpha g(X, Y) - \eta_\alpha(X)\eta_\alpha(Y),$$

and

$$(4.7) \quad g(X, \xi_\alpha) = \eta_\alpha(X)$$

for all $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, then we say that M has a metric mixed 3-structure and g is called a compatible metric.

Definition 4.3. A metric mixed 3-structure $(\phi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha, \eta_\alpha, g)_{\alpha \in \{1,2,3\}}$ on a manifold M is said to be:

(i) a mixed 3-Sasakian structure if $(\phi_1, \xi_1, \eta_1, g)$ is a Sasakian structure, i.e. (cf. [4]):

$$(\nabla_X \phi_1)Y = g(X, Y)\xi_1 - \eta_1(Y)X$$

and $(\phi_2, \xi_2, \eta_2, g), (\phi_3, \xi_3, \eta_3, g)$ are Lorentzian para-Sasakian structures, i.e. (cf. [15]):

$$(\nabla_X \phi_2)Y = g(\phi_2 X, \phi_2 Y)\xi_2 + \eta_2(Y)\phi_2^2 X,$$

$$(\nabla_X \phi_3)Y = g(\phi_3 X, \phi_3 Y)\xi_3 + \eta_3(Y)\phi_3^2 X,$$

for all vector fields X, Y on M , where ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection of g .

(ii) a mixed 3-cosymplectic structure if:

$$(\nabla_X \phi_\alpha)(Y) = 0, \quad (\nabla_X \eta_\alpha)(Y) = 0, \quad \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\},$$

for all vector fields X, Y on M .

Theorem 4.4. Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\bar{M}, \sigma, \bar{g})$ such that $\dim Q^\perp = 1$ and $\bar{g}|_{Q^\perp}$ is positive definite. Then M admits a metric mixed 3-structure.

Proof. For any $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ we have the decomposition:

$$J_\alpha X = \phi_\alpha X + F_\alpha X,$$

where $\phi_\alpha X$ and $F_\alpha X$ are the tangent part and the normal part of $J_\alpha X$, respectively. We can remark that, in fact, $F_\alpha X \in \Gamma(Q^\perp)$, $\forall X \in \Gamma(TM)$.

Since $\dim Q^\perp = 1$ and $\bar{g}|_{Q^\perp}$ is positive definite, we have $Q^\perp = \langle N \rangle$, where N is a unit space-like vector field and we can see that we have the decomposition:

$$(4.8) \quad J_\alpha X = \phi_\alpha X + \eta_\alpha(X)N,$$

where:

$$(4.9) \quad \eta_\alpha(X) = \bar{g}(J_\alpha X, N).$$

We define now the vector field ξ_α by:

$$\xi_\alpha = -J_\alpha N,$$

for any $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$.

By straightforward computation it follows now that $(\phi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha, \eta_\alpha, g)_{\alpha \in \{1,2,3\}}$ is a metric mixed 3-structure on M . \square

Theorem 4.5. *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \sigma, \overline{g})$ such that $\dim Q^\perp = 1$ and $\overline{g}|_{Q^\perp}$ is positive definite. If $(\nabla_X \phi_\alpha)Y = 0$, $\forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$ and $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, then the distribution D is integrable.*

Proof. For all $X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$ and $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, since the paraquaternionic distribution D is invariant under ϕ_α , we can always find $Z \in \Gamma(D)$ with $Y = \phi_\alpha Z$ and we obtain (see also [8]):

$$g([X, Y], \xi_\alpha) = 2g(\nabla_X \phi_\alpha Z, \xi_\alpha) = 2g(\phi_\alpha(\nabla_X Z), \xi_\alpha) = 0,$$

which implies:

$$[X, Y] \in \Gamma(D), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D).$$

Thus D is integrable. \square

Corollary 4.6. *Let (M, g) be a normal semi-invariant submanifold of a paraquaternionic Kähler manifold $(\overline{M}, \sigma, \overline{g})$ with $\dim Q^\perp = 1$ and $\overline{g}|_{Q^\perp}$ positive definite, such that the canonical metric mixed 3-structure is mixed 3-cosymplectic. Then the paraquaternionic distribution D is integrable.*

Proof. The assertion follows from the above Theorem. \square

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