

# PSEUDO-UMBILICAL SURFACES WITH NONZERO PARALLEL MEAN CURVATURE VECTOR IN $CP^4$

By

NORIAKI SATO

(Received June 26, 1997, Revised October 7, 1997)

**Abstract.** In this paper, we investigate pseudo-umbilical surfaces in a complex projective space under some additional condition.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$  be a complex  $m$ -dimensional complex projective space with the Fubini-Study metric of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $\tilde{c}$ .

Recently, Maeda [4] investigated the skew-Segre imbedding of  $CP^n(1)$  into  $CP^{n(n+2)}(2)$  and showed that  $CP^n(1)$  is imbedded into  $CP^{n(n+2)}(2)$  as a totally real and pseudo-umbilical submanifold with parallel mean curvature vector.

Now, the author proved that any pseudo-umbilical submanifold with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$  is a totally real submanifold (see [9]).

The class of totally umbilical submanifolds in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$  was completely classified by Chen and Ogiue [2]. However, it is well known that the class of pseudo-umbilical submanifolds in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$  is too wide to classify. Thus, it is reasonable to study pseudo-umbilical submanifolds in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$  under some additional condition. The aim of this paper is to prove the following result.

**Theorem A.** *Let  $M$  be a complete pseudo-umbilical surface with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector in  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$ . If  $M$  is isotropic and of  $P(\mathbf{R})$ -type, then  $M$  is an extrinsic hypersphere in a 3-dimensional real projective space  $RP^3(\tilde{c}/4)$  of  $CP^3(\tilde{c})$ .*

**Remark 1.1.** The map  $f : M^2 \rightarrow CP^4(\tilde{c})$  in Theorem A is given as

$$f : M^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad RP^3(\tilde{c}/4) \quad \rightarrow \quad CP^3(\tilde{c}) \quad \rightarrow \quad CP^4(\tilde{c}).$$

totally umbilical  
non-totally geodesic                  totally geodesic                  totally geodesic

The author would like to express his hearty thanks to Professor Yoshio Matsuyama for his valuable suggestions and encouragements. The author also would like to thank the referee for giving many valuable comments and suggestions.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional submanifold of a complex  $m$ -dimensional Kaehler manifold  $\widetilde{M}$  with complex structure  $J$  and Kaehler metric  $g$ . A submanifold  $M$  of a Kaehler manifold  $\widetilde{M}$  is called *totally real* if each tangent space of  $M$  is mapped into the normal space by the complex structure of  $\widetilde{M}$  (see [1]).

Let  $\nabla$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\nabla}$ ) be the covariant differentiation on  $M$  (resp.  $\widetilde{M}$ ). We denote by  $\sigma$  the second fundamental form of  $M$  in  $\widetilde{M}$ . Then the Gauss formula and the Weingarten formula are given respectively by

$$\sigma(X, Y) = \widetilde{\nabla}_X Y - \nabla_X Y, \quad \widetilde{\nabla}_X \xi = -A_\xi X + D_X \xi$$

for vector fields  $X, Y$  tangent to  $M$  and a normal vector field  $\xi$  normal to  $M$ , where  $-A_\xi X$  (resp.  $D_X \xi$ ) denotes the tangential (resp. normal) component of  $\widetilde{\nabla}_X \xi$ . A normal vector field  $\xi$  is said to be *parallel* if  $D_X \xi = 0$  for any vector field  $X$  tangent to  $M$ .

The covariant derivative  $\overline{\nabla}\sigma$  of the second fundamental form  $\sigma$  is defined by

$$(\overline{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z) = D_X(\sigma(Y, Z)) - \sigma(\nabla_X Y, Z) - \sigma(Y, \nabla_X Z)$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  tangent to  $M$ . The second fundamental form  $\sigma$  is said to be *parallel* if  $\overline{\nabla}_X \sigma = 0$ .

Let  $\zeta = 1/n$  trace  $\sigma$  and  $H = \|\zeta\|$  denote the mean curvature vector and the mean curvature of  $M$  in  $\widetilde{M}$ , respectively. If the second fundamental form  $\sigma$  satisfies  $\sigma(X, Y) = g(X, Y)\zeta$ , then  $M$  is said to be *totally umbilical* submanifold of  $\widetilde{M}$ . In particular, if  $\sigma$  vanishes identically,  $M$  is said to be *totally geodesic* submanifold of  $\widetilde{M}$ . If the second fundamental form  $\sigma$  satisfies  $g(\sigma(X, Y), \zeta) = g(X, Y)g(\zeta, \zeta)$ , then  $M$  is said to be *pseudo-umbilical* submanifold of  $\widetilde{M}$ .

Now, we recall the notion of an extrinsic sphere. By *extrinsic sphere* we mean a totally umbilical submanifold with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector (see [7]).

The submanifold  $M$  of  $\widetilde{M}$  is called to be a  $\lambda$ -*isotropic* submanifold if  $\|\sigma(X, X)\| = \lambda$  for all unit tangent vectors  $X$  at each point.

The first normal space at  $x$ ,  $N_x^1(M)$  is defined to be the vector space spanned by all vectors  $\sigma(X, Y)$ . The first osculating space at  $x$ ,  $O_x^1(M)$  is defined by

$$O_x^1(M) = T_x(M) + N_x^1(M)$$

The submanifold  $M$  of  $\widetilde{M}$  is called to be a submanifold of  *$P(\mathbf{R})$ -type* if  $JT_x(M) \subset \{N_x^1(M)\}^\perp$  for every point  $x \in M$ .

Let  $R$  (resp.  $\tilde{R}$ ) be the Riemannian curvature for  $\nabla$  (resp.  $\tilde{\nabla}$ ). Then the Gauss and Codazzi equations respectively are given by

$$(2.1) \quad g(\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z, W) = g(R(X, Y)Z, W) + g(\sigma(X, Z), \sigma(Y, W)) - g(\sigma(Y, Z), \sigma(X, W))$$

$$(2.2) \quad \{\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z\}^\perp = (\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z) - (\bar{\nabla}_Y \sigma)(X, Z),$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  and  $W$  tangent to  $M$ .

### 3. Proof of Theorem A

Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical surface with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$ .

We recall the following result.

**Theorem 3.1.** [9]. *Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional pseudo-umbilical submanifold with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ . Then  $2m > n$  and  $M^n$  is immersed in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$  as a totally real submanifold.*

Since  $M$  is a totally real submanifold in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ , the normal space  $T_x^\perp M$  is decomposed in the following way;  $T_x^\perp M = JT_x M \oplus \nu_x$  at each point  $x$  of  $M$ , where  $\nu_x$  denotes the orthogonal complement of  $JT_x M$  in  $T_x^\perp M$ . We prepare the following.

**Lemma 3.1.** [9]. *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical submanifold with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ . Then we have  $\zeta \in \nu_x$ .*

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical submanifold with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ . Then we have*

$$g(\sigma(X, Y), J\zeta) = 0$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y$  tangent to  $M$ .

**Proof.** By the Gauss formula, we get

$$\begin{aligned} g(\sigma(X, Y), J\zeta) &= g(\tilde{\nabla}_X Y, J\zeta) \\ &= -g(\tilde{\nabla}_X (JY), \zeta) = g(JY, \tilde{\nabla}_X \zeta) \\ &= g(JY, D_X \zeta) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y$  tangent to  $M$ .

Q.E.D.

We choose a local orthonormal frame field

$$e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5 = Je_1, e_6 = Je_2, e_7 = Je_3, e_8 = Je_4$$

of  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$  such that  $e_1, e_2$  are tangent to  $M$ . We choose  $e_4$  in such a way that its direction coincides with that of the mean curvature vector  $\zeta$ . Then it is easily seen that we have

$$\text{tr } H_4 = 2H, \quad \text{tr } H_\alpha = 0, \quad \alpha \neq 4,$$

where  $H_\alpha$  denotes an  $2 \times 2$  symmetric matrix ( $h_{ij}^\alpha$ ),  $h_{ij}^\alpha = g(\sigma(e_i, e_j), e_\alpha)$  for  $i, j = 1, 2$ ,  $\alpha = 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ .

Since  $M$  is a pseudo-umbilical surface, it is umbilic with respect to the direction of the mean curvature vector  $\zeta$ . Thus, by Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2, the surface of  $P(\mathbf{R})$ -type satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{cases} \sigma(e_1, e_1) = ae_3 + He_4 + be_7 \\ \sigma(e_1, e_2) = ce_3 + de_7 \\ \sigma(e_2, e_2) = -ae_3 + He_4 - be_7 \end{cases}$$

for some functions  $a, b, c, d$  with respect to the orthonormal local frame field.

We get the following.

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical surface with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ . If the surface is of  $P(\mathbf{R})$ -type, we have*

$$g((\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z), JW) = g(J\sigma(Y, Z), \sigma(X, W))$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z, W$  tangent to  $M$ .

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned} g((\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z), JW) &= g(D_X(\sigma(Y, Z)), JW) \\ &= g(\tilde{\nabla}_X(\sigma(Y, Z)), JW) \\ &= -g(\sigma(Y, Z), \tilde{\nabla}_X(JW)) \\ &= g(J\sigma(Y, Z), \tilde{\nabla}_X W) \\ &= g(J\sigma(Y, Z), \sigma(X, W)) \end{aligned}$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z, W$  tangent to  $M$ .

Q.E.D.

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical surface with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$ . If the surface is of  $P(\mathbf{R})$ -type, we have*

$$g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_i} \sigma)(e_j, e_k), e_l) = 0, \quad \text{for } i, j, k = 1, 2 \text{ and } l = 5, 6, 8.$$

**Proof.** Since the surface is immersed in  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$  as a totally real submanifold by Theorem 3.1, the equation (2.2) is reduced to (3.2).

$$(3.2) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z) = (\bar{\nabla}_Y \sigma)(X, Z),$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  tangent to  $M$ .

By Lemma 3.3 and (3.1), we have

$$(3.3) \quad g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_1} \sigma)(e_1, e_2), Je_1) = g(J\sigma(e_1, e_2), \sigma(e_1, e_1)) \\ = bc - ad$$

$$(3.4) \quad g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_2} \sigma)(e_1, e_1), Je_1) = g(J\sigma(e_1, e_1), \sigma(e_2, e_1)) \\ = ad - bc$$

By (3.3), (3.4) and (3.2), we get

$$(3.5) \quad ad - bc = 0.$$

By Lemma 3.3 and (3.5), we obtain

$$g((\bar{\nabla}_{e_i} \sigma)(e_j, e_k), Je_l) = 0, \quad \text{for } i, j, k, l = 1, 2.$$

Moreover, by Lemma 3.2, we get

$$g((\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z), J\zeta) = g(D_X(\sigma(Y, Z)), J\zeta) \\ = g(\tilde{\nabla}_X(\sigma(Y, Z)), J\zeta) \\ = -g(\sigma(Y, Z), \tilde{\nabla}_X(J\zeta)) \\ = g(J\sigma(Y, Z), \tilde{\nabla}_X \zeta) \\ = g(J\sigma(Y, Z), D_X \zeta) \\ = 0$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  tangent to  $M$ .

Q.E.D.

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical surface with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ . Then we have*

$$g((\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z), \zeta) = 0$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  tangent to  $M$ .

**Proof.** Since  $M$  is a pseudo-umbilical surface, we get

$$(3.6) \quad g(\sigma(Y, Z), \zeta) = g(Y, Z)g(\zeta, \zeta),$$

for all vector fields  $Y, Z$  tangent to  $M$ . Differentiating (3.6) with respect to  $X$ , we get

$$(3.7) \quad g((\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z) + \sigma(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \sigma(Y, \nabla_X Z), \zeta) + g(\sigma(Y, Z), D_X \zeta) \\ = g(\nabla_X Y, Z)g(\zeta, \zeta) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z)g(\zeta, \zeta) + 2g(Y, Z)g(D_X \zeta, \zeta)$$

Since  $M$  is a pseudo-umbilical surface, we get

$$(3.8) \quad g(\sigma(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \sigma(Y, \nabla_X Z), \zeta) \\ = g(\nabla_X Y, Z)g(\zeta, \zeta) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z)g(\zeta, \zeta)$$

Combining (3.7) and (3.8), we have

$$g((\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z), \zeta) + g(\sigma(Y, Z), D_X \zeta) \\ = 2g(Y, Z)g(D_X \zeta, \zeta)$$

Since  $M$  has nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$ , we obtain Lemma 3.5. Q.E.D.

Immediately by Lemma 3.4 and Lemma 3.5, we obtain the following.

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-umbilical surface with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector  $\zeta$  in  $CP^4(\bar{c})$ . If the surface is of  $P(\mathbf{R})$ -type, then the second fundamental form  $\sigma$  satisfies  $(\bar{\nabla}_X \sigma)(Y, Z) = xe_3 + ye_7$  for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  tangent to  $M$  and for some functions  $x, y$  with respect to the orthonormal local frame field.*

Now, for an isotropic surface, we get (see [8], [5])

$$(3.9) \quad g(\sigma(e_1, e_1), \sigma(e_1, e_2)) = g(\sigma(e_2, e_2), \sigma(e_1, e_2)) = 0.$$

By (3.1) and (3.9) we obtain

$$(3.10) \quad ac + bd = 0.$$

For a unit tangent vector  $(e_1 + e_2)/\sqrt{2}$ , we get

$$(3.11) \quad \left\| \sigma \left( (e_1 + e_2)/\sqrt{2}, (e_1 + e_2)/\sqrt{2} \right) \right\|^2 = H^2 + c^2 + d^2$$

On the other hand, we get

$$(3.12) \quad \|\sigma(e_1, e_1)\|^2 = H^2 + a^2 + b^2$$

Since the surface is isotropic, by (3.11) and (3.12) we have

$$(3.13) \quad a^2 + b^2 = c^2 + d^2$$

By (3.5), (3.10) and (3.13) we have

$$(a^2 + b^2)(c^2 + d^2) = (a^2 + b^2)^2 = 0.$$

Hence we see that the surface is immersed in  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$  as a totally real, totally umbilical surface.

We recall the following Theorem 3.2.

**Theorem 3.2.** [3]. *Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional totally real, totally umbilical submanifold ( $n \geq 2$ ) of a complex  $m$ -dimensional complex space form  $\widetilde{M}^m(\tilde{c})$ ,  $\tilde{c} \neq 0$ .*

- (i) *If the mean curvature vector  $\zeta = 0$ , then  $M$  is contained in an  $n$ -dimensional totally geodesic complex submanifold  $\overline{M}^n(\tilde{c})$  of  $\widetilde{M}^m(\tilde{c})$ .*
- (ii) *If the mean curvature vector  $\zeta \neq 0$ , then  $M$  is contained in an  $(n + 1)$ -dimensional totally geodesic complex submanifold  $\overline{M}^{n+1}(\tilde{c})$  of  $\widetilde{M}^m(\tilde{c})$ .*

By Theorem 3.1 and 3.2, we see that the surface  $M$  is immersed in a totally geodesic submanifold  $CP^3(\tilde{c})$  of  $CP^4(\tilde{c})$  as a totally umbilical submanifold. Since the surface  $M$  is immersed in  $CP^3(\tilde{c})$ , we obtain  $\overline{\nabla}\sigma \equiv 0$  by Proposition 3.1.

The assertion of Theorem A follows immediately from the following.

**Theorem 3.3.** [6] *If  $M^n$  is an  $n$  ( $n \geq 2$ )-dimensional complete nonzero isotropic  $P(\mathbf{R})$ -totally real submanifold with parallel second fundamental form in  $CP^m(\tilde{c})$ , there exists a unique totally geodesic submanifold  $RP^r(c)$  such that*

$$M^n \text{ is a submanifold in } RP^r(c)$$

and that  $O_x^1(M) = T_x(RP^r(c))$  for every point  $x \in M$ .

## References

- [ 1 ] B.Y. Chen and K. Ogiue, On totally real submanifolds, *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.*, **193** (1974), 257–266.
- [ 2 ] B.Y. Chen and K. Ogiue, Two theorems on Kaehler manifolds, *Michigan Math. J.*, **21** (1974), 225–229.
- [ 3 ] B.Y. Chen and C.S. Houh and H.S. Lue, Totally real submanifolds, *J. Diff. Geom.*, **12** (1977), 473–480.
- [ 4 ] S. Maeda, Imbedding of a complex projective space similar to Segre imbedding, *Arch. Math.*, **37** (1981), 556–560.
- [ 5 ] S. Maeda and N. Sato, On submanifolds all of whose geodesics are circles in a complex space form, *Kodai Math. J.*, **6** (1983), 157–166.
- [ 6 ] H. Naitoh, Isotropic submanifolds with parallel second fundamental form in  $P^n(c)$ , *Osaka J. Math.*, **18** (1981), 427–464.
- [ 7 ] K. Nomizu and K. Yano, On circles and spheres in Riemannian Geometry, *Math. Ann.*, **210** (1974), 163–170.
- [ 8 ] B. O'Neill, Isotropic and Kaehler immersions, *Canad. J. Math.*, **17** (1965), 905–915.
- [ 9 ] N. Sato, Totally real submanifolds of a complex space form with nonzero parallel mean curvature vector, *Yokohama Math. J.*, **44** (1997), 1–4.

Department of Mathematics  
Shirayuri Educational Institution  
Kudankita. Chiyoda-ku. Tokyo  
102-8185, JAPAN