

MOTION OF CHARGED PARTICLES IN KÄHLER C -SPACES

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Abstract. Let $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle, J)$ be a Hermitian symmetric space or a Kähler C -space with second betti number 1 and with a certain condition. We concretely solve the differential equation of the motion of a charged particle under electromagnetic field κJ , which is given by

$$\nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} = \kappa J \dot{x}.$$

Applying this, we show that if the motion of a charged particle intersects itself, then it is simply closed.

Introduction

Let $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a Riemannian manifold and F a 2-form on M . We denote by $\iota(X) : \bigwedge^m(M) \rightarrow \bigwedge^{m-1}(M)$ the interior product operator induced from X and by $\mathcal{L} : T(M) \rightarrow T^*(M)$, the Legendre transformation defined by

$$\mathcal{L} : T(M) \rightarrow T^*(M); u \mapsto \mathcal{L}(u), \quad \mathcal{L}(u)(v) = \langle u, v \rangle \quad (v \in T(M)).$$

A curve $x(t)$ in M is called the *motion of a charged particle under electromagnetic field F* if it satisfies the following differential equation:

$$\nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} = -\mathcal{L}^{-1}(\iota(\dot{x})F),$$

where ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection of M . This equation originated in theory of general relativity (see [11, p. 112, (19.15)]). When $F = 0$, then $x(t)$ is a geodesic. If $x(t)$ is the motion of a charged particle under electromagnetic field F , then the norm $\|\dot{x}\|$ of its velocity vector is a constant. If $x(t)$ is the motion of a charged particle under F , then $y(t) = x(at)$ (a : constant) is the motion of a charged particle under aF . If F has an electromagnetic potential A , that is $F = dA$, then we define a functional E_A by

$$E_A(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (\|\dot{x}\|^2 + A(\dot{x})) dt.$$

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The Euler-Lagrange equation of E_A is nothing but the motion of a charged particle under F . When $(M, J, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is a Hermitian manifold, it is natural to take a scalar multiple of Kähler form Ω defined by $\Omega(X, Y) = \langle X, JY \rangle$ as electromagnetic field F . Since $-\mathcal{L}^{-1}(\iota(X)\Omega) = JX$, a curve $x(t)$ is the motion of a charged particle under electromagnetic field $\kappa\Omega$ if and only if

$$\nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} = \kappa J \dot{x}. \quad (0.1)$$

It is an interesting question, in general, whether a given equation of motion has a periodic solution or not. In this paper, we describe the solution of the equation (0.1) in Hermitian symmetric spaces and Kähler C -spaces with certain conditions (Theorem 1.1, Corollaries 2.1 and 3.1). Applying this we show that if the motion $x(t)$ of a charged particle intersects itself, then it is simply closed (it is known by S. Kobayashi that if a geodesic in a Riemannian homogeneous space intersects itself, then it is simply closed [9, p. 321]). These results are a generalization of a theorem of R. Dohira ([5]).

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1. Motion of charged particles

In this section we shall construct a Riemannian homogeneous space M with an invariant $(1, 1)$ -tensor I and consider the motion of charged particles under electromagnetic field κI .

Let G be a connected Lie group and K a compact subgroup of G . We consider the coset manifold $M = G/K$. We denote by \mathfrak{g} and \mathfrak{k} the Lie algebras of G and K , respectively. Since K is compact, there exists an $\text{Ad}(K)$ -invariant subspace \mathfrak{m} of \mathfrak{g} such that

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{m} \quad (\text{direct sum}). \quad (1.1)$$

We denote by π the natural projection from G onto M , and by $o = \pi(e)$, the origin of M . Then we can identify \mathfrak{m} with $T_o(M)$ through π_* . We assume that there exist $\text{Ad}(K)$ -invariant subspaces \mathfrak{m}_1 and \mathfrak{m}_2 of \mathfrak{m} such that

$$\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{m}_2 \quad (\text{direct sum}) \quad (1.2)$$

and such that

$$[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_1] \subset \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{m}_2, \quad [\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subset \mathfrak{k}, \quad [\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subset \mathfrak{m}_1. \quad (1.3)$$

For X in \mathfrak{g} , we denote by X_i the \mathfrak{m}_i -component of X . Moreover we assume that there exist a nonzero constant $c \in \mathbf{R}$ and $\text{Ad}(K)$ -invariant inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ of \mathfrak{m} such that

$$\mathfrak{m}_1 \perp \mathfrak{m}_2 \text{ and that } \langle [X, Y]_2, Z \rangle + c \langle X, [Z, Y] \rangle = 0 \quad (X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}_1, Z \in \mathfrak{m}_2). \quad (1.4)$$

If we extend the inner product \langle , \rangle to a G -invariant Riemannian metric \langle , \rangle on M , then M is a Riemannian homogeneous space and G acts on M isometrically. We denote by \mathfrak{c} the center of \mathfrak{k} . For W in \mathfrak{c} , we define an endomorphism I of \mathfrak{m} by

$$I : \mathfrak{m} \rightarrow \mathfrak{m}; X_1 + X_2 \mapsto [W, X_1] + \frac{1}{c}[W, X_2] \quad (X_1 \in \mathfrak{m}_1, X_2 \in \mathfrak{m}_2). \quad (1.5)$$

Since $\text{Ad}(k)I = I\text{Ad}(k)$ for any k in K , we can extend I to a G -invariant $(1, 1)$ -tensor I on M . We then have

$$\langle IX, Y \rangle + \langle X, IY \rangle = 0 \quad (X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)).$$

Let κ be a constant. A curve $x(t)$ is called the *motion of a charged particle under electromagnetic field κI* , if it satisfies the following differential equation:

$$\nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} = \kappa I \dot{x}. \quad (1.6)$$

When $\kappa = 0$, then $x(t)$ is a geodesic.

THEOREM 1.1. *Let $M = (G/K, \langle , \rangle)$ be a Riemannian homogeneous space with a G -invariant skew-symmetric $(1, 1)$ -tensor I satisfying the conditions (1.1), (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) and (1.5). Let $x(t)$ be the motion of a charged particle defined by (1.6) under electromagnetic field κI with initial conditions $x(0) = o$ and $\dot{x}(0) = X_1 + X_2$ ($X_1 \in \mathfrak{m}_1, X_2 \in \mathfrak{m}_2$). Then $x(t)$ is given by*

$$x(t) = \pi \left(\exp t(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W) \exp t(1 - c) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c} W \right) \right).$$

If $x(t)$ intersects itself, then it is simply closed.

Remark. In the case where $\kappa = 0$, this is a theorem of R. Dohira ([5]).

EXAMPLE 1.2 (geodesics in compact 4-symmetric spaces). Let G be a compact connected Lie group and θ an automorphism of G of order 4. We also denote by θ the differential of θ . We define a closed subgroup K of G by $K = \{g \in G \mid \theta(g) = g\}$. We define a subspace \mathfrak{m} in the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G by

$$\mathfrak{m} = \{X \in \mathfrak{g} \mid (\theta^3 + \theta^2 + \theta + 1)(X) = 0\}.$$

We define subspaces \mathfrak{m}_1 and \mathfrak{m}_2 in \mathfrak{m} by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{m}_1 &= \{X \in \mathfrak{m} \mid \theta^2(X) = -X\} = \{X \in \mathfrak{g} \mid \theta^2(X) = -X\}, \\ \mathfrak{m}_2 &= \{X \in \mathfrak{m} \mid \theta^2(X) = X\} = \{X \in \mathfrak{g} \mid \theta(X) = -X\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $F : G/K \rightarrow G$ be a Cartan embedding, which is defined by

$$F : G/K \rightarrow G; gK \mapsto g\theta(g^{-1}).$$

Take an $\text{Ad}(G)$ and θ invariant inner product (\cdot, \cdot) on \mathfrak{g} . Then F and (\cdot, \cdot) induce a G -invariant Riemannian metric $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on G/K . Since $F_*X = X - \theta X$ ($X \in \mathfrak{m}$), we have

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = (X - \theta X, Y - \theta Y) \quad (X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}).$$

If we set $c = 2$, then the conditions (1.1), (1.2), (1.3) and (1.4) are satisfied. Hence a curve $x(t)$ in $(G/K, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ is a geodesic such that $x(0) = o$ and that $\dot{x}(0) = X_1 + X_2$ ($X_i \in \mathfrak{m}_i$) if and only if

$$x(t) = \pi(\exp t(X_1 + 2X_2) \exp(-tX_2)).$$

In order to prove the theorem above, we show the following lemma.

LEMMA 1.3. *Let $x(t)$ be a curve in M such that $x(0) = o$. Let $\alpha(t)$ be a curve in G such that $\alpha(0) = e$ and that $\pi(\alpha(t)) = x(t)$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} = & \frac{d}{dt} \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t) + (c-1)[(\alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t))_1, (\alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t))_2] \\ & + [(\alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{\alpha}(t))_{\mathfrak{k}}, \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t)], \end{aligned}$$

where we denote by $X_{\mathfrak{k}}$ the \mathfrak{k} -component of $X \in \mathfrak{g}$.

Proof of Lemma 1.3. For $X \in \mathfrak{g}$, we define a Killing vector field X^* on M by

$$X_p^* = \frac{d}{dt} \exp tX p|_{t=0} \in T_p(M).$$

Then for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ and $g \in G$ we have

$$[X^*, Y^*] = -[X, Y]^*, \quad g_* X^* = (\text{Ad}(g)X)^*. \quad (1.7)$$

By a formula of Koszul ([9, p. 61, Theorem 11]) and the first equation of (1.7) we have $(\nabla_{X^*} X^*)_o = (c-1)[X_1, X_2]$ for $X \in \mathfrak{m}$, where we used (1.3) and (1.4). The decomposition (1.1) defines an invariant connection ∇^0 on the reductive homogeneous space M (see [8]). Then $(\nabla_{X^*}^0 X^*)_o = 0$ for $X \in \mathfrak{m}$. We define a tensor field T on M of type (1,2) by $T = \nabla - \nabla^0$. Then T is a Riemannian homogeneous structure on M (see [10] for the definition) and $T_X X = (c-1)[X_1, X_2]$ for $X \in \mathfrak{m}$. Since

$$\nabla_{\dot{x}}^0 \dot{x} = \alpha(t)_* \left(\frac{d}{dt} \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x} + [(\alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{\alpha}(t))_{\mathfrak{k}}, \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}] \right),$$

the lemma is proved.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. To begin with, we prove the first half of the theorem. We define a curve $\alpha(t)$ in G by

$$\alpha(t) = \exp t(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W) \exp t(1 - c) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right).$$

We further define a curve $x(t)$ in M by $x(t) = \pi(\alpha(t))$. It is sufficient to show $\nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} = \kappa I(\dot{x})$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{\alpha}(t) &= \text{Ad}(\alpha(t)^{-1})(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W) + (1 - c) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \\ &= \text{Ad} \left(\exp t(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) X_1 + \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right), \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t) = \text{Ad} \left(\exp t(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) X_1 + X_2,$$

which implies that

$$\frac{d}{dt} \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t) = (c - 1) \left[X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W, \text{Ad} \left(\exp t(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) X_1 \right].$$

By using the equations above and Lemma 1.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(t)_*^{-1} \nabla_{\dot{x}} \dot{x} &= \kappa \left[W, \text{Ad} \left(\exp t(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) X_1 \right] + \frac{\kappa}{c} [W, X_2] \\ &= \kappa I(\alpha(t)_*^{-1} \dot{x}(t)). \end{aligned}$$

Next we prove the latter half of the theorem. The velocity vector $\dot{x}(t)$ of $x(t)$ is given by

$$\dot{x}(t) = \alpha(t)_* \left(\text{Ad} \left(\exp t(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) X_1 + X_2 \right).$$

We assume that there exists a real number t_0 such that $x(t_0) = o$; that is, $\alpha(t_0) \in K$. Then

$$\dot{x}(t_0) = \text{Ad}(\exp t_0(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W))X_1 + \text{Ad}(\alpha(t_0))X_2.$$

By the way we have

$$\begin{aligned} &X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W \\ &= \text{Ad}(\exp t_0(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W))(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W) \\ &= \text{Ad} \left(\alpha(t_0) \exp t_0(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) (X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W) \\ &= \text{Ad} \left(\alpha(t_0) \exp t_0(c - 1) \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W \right) \right) X_1 + \text{Ad}(\alpha(t_0))(cX_2 + \kappa W). \end{aligned}$$

Here we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ad}\left(\alpha(t_0)\exp t_0(c-1)\left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{c}W\right)\right)X_1 &\in \mathfrak{m}_1, \\ \text{Ad}(\alpha(t_0))cX_2 &\in \mathfrak{m}_2, \quad \text{Ad}(\alpha(t_0))\kappa W \in \mathfrak{k}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\text{Ad}(\exp t_0(X_1 + cX_2 + \kappa W))X_1 = X_1, \quad \text{Ad}(\alpha(t_0))X_2 = X_2.$$

Hence we have $\dot{x}(t_0) = \dot{x}(0)$.

2. Charged particles in Hermitian symmetric spaces

In this section we shall apply Theorem 1.1 to the motion of charged particles in Hermitian symmetric spaces. We know that every motion of a charged particle in a Hermitian symmetric space under Kähler electromagnetic field is simple (see [1], [6] or [7]). Let $(G, K, \theta, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle, J)$ be an almost effective Hermitian symmetric pair. Then the coset manifold $M = G/K$ is a Hermitian symmetric space. Conversely, every Hermitian symmetric space is obtained in this way. Let

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} \oplus \mathfrak{m}$$

be the canonical decomposition of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G . We denote by \mathfrak{c} the center of \mathfrak{k} . There exists an element J_o in \mathfrak{c} such that $J = \text{ad}(J_o)$ is a complex structure on \mathfrak{m} . Setting $\mathfrak{m}_2 = \{0\}$ and $W = J_o$ in Theorem 1.1, we redemonstrate the following.

COROLLARY 2.1 (Adachi-Maeda-Udagawa[1]). *Let $M = G/K$ be a Hermitian symmetric space. Let $x(t)$ be the motion of a charged particle defined by (0.1) under the electromagnetic field κJ with initial conditions $x(0) = o$ and $\dot{x}(0) = X \in \mathfrak{m}$. Then $x(t)$ is given by*

$$x(t) = \pi(\exp t(\kappa J_o + X)). \quad (2.1)$$

COROLLARY 2.2. *Let $x(t)$ be the motion of a charged particle in a Hermitian symmetric space. Its velocity vector $\dot{x}(t)$ can then be extended to a Killing vector field which is an infinitesimal automorphism of J .*

Proof. For the motion of a charged particle (2.1), we set $Y = \kappa J_o + X \in \mathfrak{g}$. Then we have $Y_{x(t)}^* = \dot{x}(t)$.

3. Charged particles in Kähler C -spaces

In this section we shall apply Theorem 1.1 to the motion of charged particles in Kähler C -spaces with certain conditions. We know that every motion of a charged particle in a Kähler C -space under Kähler electromagnetic field is simple (see [6] or [7]). By a C -space we mean a compact simply connected complex homogeneous space, and by a Kähler C -space, a C -space M which admits a Kähler metric such that a group of holomorphic isometries acts transitively on M . We shall construct Kähler C -spaces according to [2, Chap. 8]. Let G be a compact connected semisimple Lie group and W in its Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . We define a closed subgroup K of G by

$$K = \{g \in G \mid \text{Ad}(g)W = W\}.$$

Then K is connected, and coset manifold $M = G/K$ is compact and simply connected, which is called a generalized flag manifold. We can identify the tangent space $T_o(M)$ at the origin o with $\mathfrak{m} = \text{Im ad}(W)$.

In order to define a G -invariant complex structure J on M , take a maximal torus T of G such that W is in its Lie algebra \mathfrak{t} . Take a biinvariant Riemannian metric (\cdot, \cdot) on G . We denote by Δ the set of nonzero roots of $\mathfrak{g}^{\mathbb{C}}$ with respect to $\mathfrak{t}^{\mathbb{C}}$. Take a lexicographic ordering on \mathfrak{t} such that $(W, \alpha) \geq 0$ for any positive root α . We denote by Δ^+ the set of positive roots. We have the following direct sum decomposition of \mathfrak{g} :

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{t} \oplus \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta^+} (\mathbf{R}F_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbf{R}G_{\alpha}),$$

where for each $H \in \mathfrak{t}$, $[H, F_{\alpha}] = (\alpha, H)G_{\alpha}$, $[H, G_{\alpha}] = -(\alpha, H)F_{\alpha}$. Set

$$\Delta_W = \{\alpha \in \Delta \mid (\alpha, W) = 0\}, \quad \Delta_W^+ = \Delta_W \cap \Delta^+;$$

then we have

$$\mathfrak{k} = \mathfrak{t} \oplus \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta_W^+} (\mathbf{R}F_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbf{R}G_{\alpha}), \quad \mathfrak{m} = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta^+ - \Delta_W^+} (\mathbf{R}F_{\alpha} \oplus \mathbf{R}G_{\alpha}).$$

We define a complex structure J on \mathfrak{m} by

$$JF_{\alpha} = G_{\alpha}, \quad JG_{\alpha} = -F_{\alpha} \quad (\alpha \in \Delta^+ - \Delta_W^+).$$

Since $\text{Ad}(k)J = J\text{Ad}(k)$ for any k in K , we can extend J to a G -invariant almost complex structure on M . This almost complex structure J is integrable.

We assume that G is simple. We denote by $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r\}$ the set of simple roots, and by $\alpha_0 = \sum m_j \alpha_j$, the highest root. If we set

$$\Pi_W = \{\alpha_j \in \Pi \mid (\alpha_j, W) > 0\} = \{\alpha_{i_1}, \dots, \alpha_{i_s}\},$$

then it is known that the second betti number $b_2(M)$ of M is given by $b_2(M) = s = \#(\Pi_W)$ ([3]). We assume that $b_2(M) = 1$; that is, $\Pi_W = \{\alpha_i\}$. For a natural number n , set

$$\Delta^+(\alpha_i; n) = \{\alpha = \sum n_j \alpha_j \in \Delta^+ \mid n_i = n\}, \quad \mathfrak{m}_n = \sum_{\alpha \in \Delta^+(\alpha_i; n)} (\mathbf{R}F_\alpha \oplus \mathbf{R}G_\alpha);$$

then we have

$$\Delta^+ - \Delta_W^+ = \Delta^+(\alpha_i) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \Delta^+(\alpha_i; n), \quad \mathfrak{m} = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mathfrak{m}_n.$$

We set $\mathfrak{m}_0 = \mathfrak{k}$ for simplicity; then for $n, m \geq 0$ we have $[\mathfrak{m}_n, \mathfrak{m}_m] \subset \mathfrak{m}_{n+m} + \mathfrak{m}_{|n-m|}$. If we normalize W so that $(W, \alpha_i) = 1$, then we have $nJ = \text{ad}W$ on \mathfrak{m}_n . We define a G -invariant Kähler metric $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ on M by

$$\langle X_n, X_m \rangle = n \delta_{nm} (X_n, X_m) \quad (X_n \in \mathfrak{m}_n, X_m \in \mathfrak{m}_m).$$

We assume that $m_i = 2$. If we set $c = 2$, then conditions (1.1), (1.2), (1.3), (1.4) and (1.5) are satisfied.

COROLLARY 3.1. *Let $M = (G/K, J)$ be a Kähler C -space with $b_2(M) = 1$. We assume that G is a compact connected simple Lie group. Further, we assume that there exists a simple root α_i such that $\Pi_W = \{\alpha_i\}$ and that $m_i = 2$, where $\alpha_0 = \sum_j m_j \alpha_j$ is the highest root. Let $x(t)$ be a motion of charged particle defined by (0.1) under the electromagnetic field κJ with initial conditions $x(0) = o$ and $\dot{x}(0) = X_1 + X_2$ ($X_1 \in \mathfrak{m}_1, X_2 \in \mathfrak{m}_2$). Then $x(t)$ is given by*

$$x(t) = \pi \left(\exp t(X_1 + 2X_2 + \kappa W) \exp \left(-t \left(X_2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} W \right) \right) \right),$$

where W is in the center of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{k} of K .

For instance, (G, K, α_i) 's in the following table satisfy the assumption of Corollary 3.1. Here we adopt the same notations and numberings of simple roots given in the Bourbaki's table[4].

G	K	α_i
$Sp(r)$	$U(i) \times Sp(r-i)$	$\epsilon_i - \epsilon_{i+1}$ ($1 \leq i \leq r-1$)
$SO(2r)$	$U(i) \times SO(2(r-i))$	$\epsilon_i - \epsilon_{i+1}$ ($2 \leq i \leq r-2$)
$SO(2r+1)$	$U(i) \times SO(2(r-i)+1)$	$\epsilon_i - \epsilon_{i+1}$ ($2 \leq i \leq r-1$), ϵ_r ($i=r$)

Here we set

$$Sp(r) = \{g \in U(2r) \mid {}^t g J_r g = J_r\}, \quad J_r = \begin{pmatrix} & I_r \\ -I_r & \end{pmatrix}.$$

The imbedding of $U(i) \times Sp(r-i)$ into $Sp(r)$ is given by

$$\left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} \operatorname{Re}(x) & \operatorname{Im}(x) & & \\ & y_{11} & y_{12} & \\ \hline -\operatorname{Im}(x) & & \operatorname{Re}(x) & \\ & y_{21} & & y_{22} \end{array} \right) \left| \begin{array}{l} x \in U(i), \\ \begin{pmatrix} y_{11} & y_{12} \\ y_{21} & y_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in Sp(r-i) \end{array} \right. \right\} \subset Sp(r).$$

The imbedding of $U(i) \times SO(j)$ into $SO(2i+j)$ is given by

$$U(i) \times SO(j) = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} \operatorname{Re}(x) & \operatorname{Im}(x) & \\ -\operatorname{Im}(x) & \operatorname{Re}(x) & \\ \hline & & y \end{array} \right) \left| \begin{array}{l} x \in U(i), \\ y \in SO(j) \end{array} \right. \right\} \subset SO(2i+j),$$

where $j = 2(r-i)$ or $j = 2(r-i) + 1$.

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