

Twistor Bundles of Almost Symplectic Manifolds

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SUMMARY. - *In this paper we introduce the twistor bundle of a $2n$ -dimensional almost symplectic manifold M as the quotient bundle $\frac{P(M, Sp(2n))}{U(n)}$. Given a symplectic connection on M we introduce a natural almost Hermitian structure on the twistor bundle and we prove that this structure is Kähler if and only if M is symplectic and the chosen connection has vanishing curvature and $(0,2)$ -part of the torsion. Moreover we prove that in the case of \mathbb{R}^{2n} with standard symplectic structure the twistor bundle turns out to be Kähler with constant scalar curvature for a certain class of symplectic connections.*

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1. Introduction

Let (M, ω) be an almost symplectic manifold of real dimension $2n$, let us denote $P_\omega := P(M, Sp(2n))$ the principal bundle of symplectic frames on (M, ω) and let $Z_\omega := \frac{P_\omega}{U(n)}$ be the associated bundle with respect to the standard action of $Sp(2n)$ on $P_\omega \times \frac{Sp(2n)}{U(n)}$. Z_ω is a bundle on M with structure group $Sp(2n)$ and standard fibre $\frac{Sp(2n)}{U(n)}$; the fibre at a point $x \in M$ parameterizes complex structures J on $T_x M$ which are ω -calibrated, that is such that $\omega(J\cdot, J\cdot) = \omega(\cdot, \cdot)$ and $\omega(\cdot, J\cdot)$ is positive definite, then we call Z_ω *twistor bundle* of the almost symplectic manifold (M, ω) .

Given a symplectic connection θ on M we can define a connection on Z_ω and, as it is a bundle of complex structures, with complex fibre, this allows us to define an almost complex structure on Z_ω , \mathbb{J}_θ , in a tautologically way, also we can define an almost Hermitian metric, \mathbb{G}_θ , in a natural way. Such constructions are similar to those in the twistor theory of an oriented even dimensional Riemannian manifold ([2], [11], [4]), however in this case there are some relevant differences: first the fibre is not compact, second there is not a canonical symplectic connection, like Levi-Civita in the Riemannian case, so things here depend on the chosen connection.

In this paper we study the differential geometry of $(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}_\theta, \mathbb{G}_\theta)$, in particular we prove that it is Kähler if and only if (M, ω) is symplectic and the curvature of the given connection and the $(0, 2)$ -part of the torsion vanish (section 5), this is the case for example of the twistor bundle of \mathbb{R}^{2n} with standard symplectic structure, with respect to a certain class of connections (section 6). Also we study local sections defined by local almost complex structures on M , ω -calibrated, giving an interplay between symplectic connections and calibrated almost complex structures (section 4).

The paper is organized as follows. In section 2 we describe the geometry of the standard fibre $\frac{Sp(2n)}{U(n)}$ as Hermitian symmetric space of non compact type. In section 3 we define the concept of twistor bundle of an almost symplectic manifold and, given a symplectic connection θ , we introduce the almost complex structure \mathbb{J}_θ computing integrability conditions. Section 4 is devoted to the study of local sections of Z_ω . In section 5 we study the almost Hermitian

metric \mathbb{G}_g and we state Kähler and semi-Kähler condition. Finally in section 6 we describe in details the twistor bundle of \mathbb{R}^{2n} with the standard symplectic structure ω_n , proving that for a certain class of symplectic connections is Kähler with constant scalar curvature.

For an introduction to almost symplectic manifolds and symplectic geometry we refer to [5], [8].

2. The geometry of $\mathrm{Sp}(2n)/\mathrm{U}(n)$

Let $J_n := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \Leftrightarrow J_n \\ I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}(2n)$ and let

$$\mathrm{Sp}(2n) := \{A \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid {}^t A J_n A = J_n\}$$

be the real *symplectic group* of order $2n$; let

$$\mathfrak{sp}(2n) = \{A \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid {}^t A J_n = \Leftrightarrow J_n A\}$$

be the Lie algebra of $\mathrm{Sp}(2n)$ and let $U(n) := \{A \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid A J_n = J_n A\}$ be the *unitary group* of order n . It is well known that the quotient space $\mathrm{Sp}(2n)/U(n)$ is a $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ -dimensional Hermitian symmetric space of non compact type and then it is an Einstein-Kähler manifold of negative scalar curvature, [6]. We will describe in details this structure on $\mathrm{Sp}(2n)/U(n)$ because it will be useful later.

Let us denote $\mathfrak{S}(n) := \{P \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n) \mid P^2 = \Leftrightarrow J_n, \Leftrightarrow J_n P > 0\}$, we have the following:

LEMMA 2.1. $\mathfrak{S}(n) = \{P \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid P = A J_n A^{-1}, A \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n)\}$.

Proof. The inclusion $\{P \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid P = A J_n A^{-1}, A \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n)\} \subseteq \mathfrak{S}(n)$ is obvious. Now let $P \in \mathfrak{S}(n)$ and let $B = \Leftrightarrow J_n P$, we have that $B \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n)$, $B = {}^t B$, $B > 0$, then $B^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n)$, [8] (Lemma 2.19), and $P = ((\Leftrightarrow J_n P)^{\frac{1}{2}})^{-1} J_n (\Leftrightarrow J_n P)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. \square

Moreover we get:

LEMMA 2.2. $\mathrm{Sp}(2n)/U(n) \cong \mathfrak{S}(n)$.

Proof. Let us define $\rho : Sp(2n) \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(n)$ by: $\rho(A) = AJ_nA^{-1}$, we have immediately that ρ defines a map $\widehat{\rho} : Sp(2n)/U(n) \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(n)$ by $\widehat{\rho}([A]) = \rho(A)$. $\widehat{\rho}$ is injective, in fact is $\rho(A) = \rho(B)$ if and only if $B^{-1}A \in U(n)$; $\widehat{\rho}$ is surjective, in fact, from Lemma 2.1, given $P \in \mathfrak{S}(n)$ is $P = \widehat{\rho}([\Leftrightarrow J_n P^{-\frac{1}{2}}])$. Thus $Sp(2n)/U(n)$ and $\mathfrak{S}(n)$ are identified by $\widehat{\rho}$. \square

From now on we will refer to $Sp(2n)/U(n)$ as to the set:

$\{P \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid P = AJ_nA^{-1}, A \in Sp(2n)\}$, and we will denote it $\mathfrak{S}(n)$.

Following Gromov [9], we recall the following definition:

DEFINITION 2.1. *Let (V, ω) be a symplectic vector space and let J be a complex structure on V , J is called $\omega \Leftrightarrow$ **calibrated** if the following conditions are satisfied:*

- a) $\omega(v, Jv) > 0$ for any $v \in V \setminus \{0\}$,
- b) $\omega(Jv, Jw) = \omega(v, w)$ for any $v, w \in V$.

Let ω_n be the standard symplectic form on \mathbb{R}^{2n} defined by: $\omega_n(X, Y) = \Leftrightarrow X J_n Y$, we have immediately that $\mathfrak{S}(n)$ represents the set of complex structures on \mathbb{R}^{2n} , ω_n -calibrated and inducing positive orientation.

Let $P \in \mathfrak{S}(n)$ and let $T_P \mathfrak{S}(n)$ be the tangent space to $\mathfrak{S}(n)$ at the point P , denoted by $[\cdot, \cdot]$ the Lie bracket of matrices, we have the following:

LEMMA 2.3. $T_P \mathfrak{S}(n) = \{[Y, P] \mid Y \in sp(2n)\}$.

Proof. Let $P = \rho(A)$, where $\rho : Sp(2n) \rightarrow \mathfrak{S}(n)$ is the map defined by $\rho(A) = AJ_nA^{-1}$, then the tangent map $\rho_{*A} : T_A Sp(2n) \rightarrow T_P \mathfrak{S}(n)$ is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{*A}(X) &= XJ_nA^{-1} \Leftrightarrow AJ_nA^{-1}XA^{-1} = XA^{-1}\rho(A) \Leftrightarrow \rho(A)XA^{-1} = \\ &= [XA^{-1}, P] \end{aligned}$$

but is $T_A Sp(2n) = \{AZ \in \mathbb{R}(2n) \mid Z \in sp(2n)\}$, then $Y = XA^{-1} = AZA^{-1} \in sp(2n)$ and $T_P \mathfrak{S}(n) = \rho_{*A} T_A Sp(2n) = \{[Y, P] \mid Y \in sp(2n)\}$. \square

In the following we will use the notation: $\widehat{Y}(P) := [Y, P]$, thus we get $T_P\mathfrak{S}(n) = \left\{ \widehat{Y}(P) \mid Y \in sp(2n) \right\}$.

Using the Killing form on $sp(2n)$ we define the Riemannian metric $\overset{\vee}{g}$ on $\mathfrak{S}(n)$ by: $\overset{\vee}{g}(X, Y) := \frac{1}{2}TrXY$, where $X, Y \in T_P\mathfrak{S}(n)$ and Tr means trace, in particular if $X = \widehat{A}(P)$, $Y = \widehat{B}(P)$, we have:

$$\overset{\vee}{g}(\widehat{A}(P), \widehat{B}(P)) = \frac{1}{2}Tr\widehat{A}(P)\widehat{B}(P) = Tr(APBP + AB).$$

Also we define, in a natural way, the almost complex structure $\overset{\vee}{J}$ on $\mathfrak{S}(n)$ by: $\overset{\vee}{J}(P)(X) := PX$, for $P \in \mathfrak{S}(n)$ and $X \in T_P\mathfrak{S}(n)$.

Direct computations, similar to those in [4], give that $(\mathfrak{S}(n), \overset{\vee}{J}, \overset{\vee}{g})$ is an Einstein-Kähler manifold of negative scalar curvature.

3. Twistor bundles

Let (M, ω) be an almost symplectic manifold of real dimension $2n$, let us denote by $P_\omega := P(M, Sp(2n))$ the $Sp(2n)$ -principal bundle of symplectic frames on M and let $\pi : P_\omega \rightarrow M$ be the canonical projection. $Sp(2n)$ acts on $P_\omega \times \mathfrak{S}(n)$ in the following natural way:

$$\begin{aligned} Sp(2n) \times P_\omega \times \mathfrak{S}(n) &\rightarrow P_\omega \times \mathfrak{S}(n) \\ (A, a, P) &\rightarrow (aA, A^{-1}PA) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

We pose the following:

DEFINITION 3.1. *The associated bundle to P_ω , $P_\omega \times_{Sp(2n)} \mathfrak{S}(n) \cong \frac{P_\omega}{U(n)}$, defined as the quotient of $P_\omega \times \mathfrak{S}(n)$ with respect to the action (1), is called **twistor bundle** of (M, ω) , it will be denoted by $Z(M, \omega)$, or simply by Z_ω .*

Z_ω is a bundle over M with standard fibre $\frac{Sp(2n)}{U(n)} \cong \mathfrak{S}(n)$ and structure group $Sp(2n)$. Denote by $p : Z_\omega \rightarrow M$ and by $r : P_\omega \rightarrow Z_\omega$ the bundle projections. Z_ω is a manifold of real dimension $n(n+3)$ and the fibre of Z_ω at the point $x \in M$, $p^{-1}(x)$, parameterizes all complex structures on T_xM which are ω_x -calibrated.

A connection θ on P_ω defines a connection on Z_ω , that is a splitting of the tangent bundle in horizontal and vertical subbundles:

$TZ_\omega = H \oplus V$, and, as Z_ω is a bundle of complex structures, with complex fibre, this allow us to define an almost complex structure, \mathbb{J}_θ , on Z_ω in a tautologically way. We will describe \mathbb{J}_θ in terms of local coordinates.

Let $\{U_i\}_{i \in I}$ be an open covering of M where local symplectic frames are defined, let $\{E_1^{(i)}, \dots, E_{2n}^{(i)}\}$ be a symplectic frame on TU_i and let $\varphi_i : \pi^{-1}(U_i) \rightarrow U_i \times Sp(2n)$ be the induced trivialisation of the principal bundle P_ω , let $a \in \pi^{-1}(U_i)$, $a = \{X_1, \dots, X_{2n}\}$, let $X_k = X_k^l E_l^{(i)}$ and $X^{(i)} = (X_k^l) \in Sp(2n)$, then $\varphi_i(a) = (\pi(a), X^{(i)})$, where we used, as we will do in the following, Einstein's convention on repeated indices. Let $\mathcal{A}_{(i)} \in \Lambda^1(U_i) \otimes sp(2n)$ be the local form of the connection, or *gauge potential*, [10], denote $\mathcal{A}_{(i)}(E_k^{(i)}) = \underset{\cdot}{, k}^{(i)} \in sp(2n)$, then the horizontal lifting of $E_k^{(i)}$ on P_ω is given by: $\widetilde{E}_k^{(i)} = E_k^{(i)} \Leftrightarrow \underset{\cdot}{, k}^{(i)} X^{(i)}$; thus we have $T_a P_\omega = \widetilde{H}_a \oplus \widetilde{V}_a$ where the horizontal subbundle \widetilde{H}_a is spanned by $\{\widetilde{E}_1^{(i)}, \dots, \widetilde{E}_{2n}^{(i)}\}$. From now on, for sake of simplicity, we omit the index (i) in notations.

Let $\xi \in T_a P_\omega$, we denote $\xi = \xi^h + \xi^v$ the decomposition in horizontal and vertical component; for the Lie bracket of horizontal vector fields we have:

$$[\widetilde{E}_k, \widetilde{E}_l] = [\widetilde{E}_k, E_l] + [\widetilde{E}_k, \widetilde{E}_l]^v$$

where

$$[\widetilde{E}_k, \widetilde{E}_l]^v = (\Leftrightarrow E_k(\cdot, l) + E_l(\cdot, k) + [\cdot, l, k]) X.$$

In particular, denoted by $\mathcal{F} = (F_{kl}) \in \Lambda^2(U_i) \otimes sp(2n)$ the local form of the curvature of the connection θ , or *strength field*, [10], we have: $[\widetilde{E}_k, \widetilde{E}_l]^v = \Leftrightarrow F_{kl} X$.

Let $J = r(a)$ and let $H_J = r_{*a}(\widetilde{H}_a)$, then $T_J Z_\omega = H_J \oplus V_J$, H_J is the horizontal tangent space to Z_ω at the point J defined by the connection θ , and V_J is the vertical tangent space.

We get: $H_J = \{\widehat{E}_1, \dots, \widehat{E}_{2n}\}$, where $\widehat{E}_i = E_i \Leftrightarrow [\cdot, i, J] \frac{\partial}{\partial J} = E_i \Leftrightarrow \widehat{\cdot}_i$; and $V_J = \{\widehat{Y}(J) | Y \in sp(2n)\}$.

The almost complex structure \mathbb{J}_θ on Z_ω is then defined by:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{J}_\theta(J)(\widehat{E}_i) = J_i^k \widehat{E}_k \\ \mathbb{J}_\theta(J)(\widehat{Y}(J)) = \widehat{JY}(J) \end{cases} .$$

A direct computation gives conditions on the connection θ under which \mathbb{J}_θ is integrable.

Precisely we have:

$$\begin{aligned} [\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j] &= \left(, \begin{smallmatrix} k \\ ij \end{smallmatrix} \Leftrightarrow , \begin{smallmatrix} k \\ j i \end{smallmatrix} \Leftrightarrow T_{ij}^k \right) \widehat{E}_k \Leftrightarrow \widehat{F}_{ij} \\ [\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}] &= \widehat{E}_i(A) + [\widehat{ , i}, A] \\ [\widehat{A}, \widehat{B}] &= \Leftrightarrow[\widehat{A}, B] \end{aligned}$$

where T is the torsion of the connection and \widehat{A}, \widehat{B} are vertical vector fields defined by $A = A(x)$, $B = B(x) \in sp(2n)$ for any $x \in U$; then, denoted by $N_{\mathbb{J}_\theta}$ the Nijenhuis tensor of \mathbb{J}_θ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\mathbb{J}_\theta}(J)(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j) &= [\mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{E}_i), \mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{E}_j)] \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{J}_\theta [\mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{E}_i), \widehat{E}_j] + \\ &\quad \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{J}_\theta [\widehat{E}_i, \mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{E}_j)] \Leftrightarrow [\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j] \\ &= \left(\Leftrightarrow J_i^k J_j^l T_{kl}^r + J_i^k T_{kj}^s J_s^r + J_j^l T_{il}^s J_s^r + T_{ij}^r \right) \widehat{E}_r + \\ &\quad + \left(\Leftrightarrow J_i^k J_j^l \widehat{F}_{kl} + J_i^k \widehat{JF}_{kj} + J_j^l \widehat{JF}_{il} + \widehat{F}_{ij} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\mathbb{J}_\theta}(J)(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}) &= [\mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{E}_i), \mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{A})] \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{J}_\theta [\mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{E}_i), \widehat{A}] + \\ &\quad \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{J}_\theta [\widehat{E}_i, \mathbb{J}_\theta(\widehat{A})] \Leftrightarrow [\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}] \\ &= J_i^k \left(\mathcal{L}_{\widehat{E}_k} \mathbb{J}_\theta \right) (\widehat{A}) \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{J}_\theta \left(\mathcal{L}_{\widehat{E}_i} \mathbb{J}_\theta \right) (\widehat{A}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where \mathcal{L} means Lie derivative and $\left(\mathcal{L}_{\widehat{E}_i} \mathbb{J}_\theta \right) (\widehat{A}) = 0$ for all $i = 1, \dots, 2n$, for all $\widehat{A} \in V$ because of the definition of \mathbb{J}_θ on vertical vector fields (the Lie derivative of $\mathbb{J}_{\theta|_V}$ along horizontal liftings vanishes); moreover:

$$N_{\mathbb{J}_\theta}(J)(\widehat{A}, \widehat{B}) = 0$$

because \mathbb{J}_θ restricted to the fibre is the standard complex structure $\underset{V}{J}$.

Thus the **integrability condition** can be written as:

$$\begin{cases} T(\widehat{JX}, \widehat{JY}) \Leftrightarrow JT(\widehat{JX}, Y) \Leftrightarrow JT(X, \widehat{JY}) \Leftrightarrow T(X, Y) = 0 \\ F(\widehat{JX}, \widehat{JY}) \Leftrightarrow JF(\widehat{JX}, Y) \Leftrightarrow JF(X, \widehat{JY}) \Leftrightarrow F(X, Y) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

for all $X, Y \in T_x M$, for all $x \in M$, for all $J \in p^{-1}(x)$.

We remark that the problem of integrability condition also has been considered in [3], and [1].

4. Local sections

Let (M, ω) be an almost symplectic manifold and let Z_ω be its twistor bundle as before, let $U \subset M$ be an open set and let J be an almost complex structure on U , ω -calibrated, that is ω_x -calibrated for any $x \in U$. J defines a local section of Z_ω over U by $J(x) := J_x \in p^{-1}(x)$.

Let $\mathbb{J} = \mathbb{J}_\theta$ be the almost complex structure on Z_ω defined by a given connection θ on P_ω , we want to exploit conditions on J under which $(J(U), J)$ is an almost complex local submanifold of (Z_ω, \mathbb{J}) . We have the following results:

LEMMA 4.1. *$(J(U), J)$ is an almost complex local submanifold of (Z_ω, \mathbb{J}) if and only if for any $x \in U$, $X, Y \in T_x M$ we have:*

$$A(X, Y) := (\nabla_{JX} J)Y \Leftrightarrow J(\nabla_X J)Y = 0$$

where ∇ is the covariant derivative on M defined by the given connection on P_ω , using previous notations: $\nabla_{E_i} E_j = \widehat{,}_{ij}^k E_k$.

Proof. We have: $\mathbb{J} \circ J_* = J_* \circ J$ if and only if $\mathbb{J}(J_*(E_l)) = J_*(J(E_l))$ for all $l = 1, \dots, 2n$, or: $\mathbb{J}(\widehat{E_l} + \widehat{,}_l + \frac{1}{2}\widehat{E_l}(J)) = J_l^k(\widehat{E_k} + \widehat{,}_k + \frac{1}{2}\widehat{E_k}(J))$, that is: $\widehat{J,}_l = J_l^k \widehat{,}_k$, on the other hand is: $A(E_i, E_j) = (J_i^k \widehat{,}_k \Leftrightarrow \widehat{J,}_i)^r_j E_r$. \square

LEMMA 4.2. $A(X, Y) \Leftrightarrow A(Y, X) = N_J(X, Y) + T^{0,2}(J)(X, Y)$, where N_J denotes the Nijenhuis tensor of J and $T^{0,2}(J)(X, Y) := T(JX, JY) \Leftrightarrow JT(JX, Y) \Leftrightarrow JT(X, JY) \Leftrightarrow T(X, Y)$.

Proof. The proof is just a computation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(X, Y) &\Leftrightarrow A(Y, X) = \nabla_{JX} JY \Leftrightarrow \nabla_{JY} JX + \nabla_Y X \Leftrightarrow \nabla_X Y + \\
 &\Leftrightarrow J(\nabla_{JX} Y \Leftrightarrow \nabla_Y JX) + \Leftrightarrow J(\nabla_X JY \Leftrightarrow \nabla_{JY} X) \\
 &= [JX, JY] + T(JX, JY) \Leftrightarrow [X, Y] \Leftrightarrow T(X, Y) \Leftrightarrow J[JX, Y] + \\
 &\Leftrightarrow JT(JX, Y) \Leftrightarrow J[X, JY] + \Leftrightarrow JT(X, JY) \\
 &= N_J(X, Y) + T^{0,2}(J)(X, Y).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

COROLLARY 4.3. *Let us suppose that the given connection satisfies $T^{0,2}(J) \equiv 0$, if J defines an almost complex local submanifold of (Z_ω, \mathbb{J}) then J is integrable.*

REMARK 4.4. *In the case of the twistor space of an oriented even dimensional Riemannian manifold we have a canonical choice for the connection, namely the Levi Civita connection, and the analogous study of local sections gives that J defines an almost local submanifold if and only if J is integrable, [4], in this case, instead, we can construct examples of integrable local complex structures J such that $A \neq 0$.*

LEMMA 4.5. *Let J be an almost complex structure ω -calibrated on an open set $U \subset M$, then $J(U)$ is a horizontal section if and only if $\nabla J = 0$.*

Proof. We have that $J_*(E_i) \in H$ if and only if $\widehat{,}_i + \frac{1}{2} \widehat{J E_i}(J) = 0$ for any $i = 1, \dots, 2n$, on the other hand is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\nabla_{E_i} J)(E_j) &= E_i(J_j^l) E_l + J_j^l,{}^k E_k \Leftrightarrow,{}^k J_j^l E_l = (E_i(J) + [,{}_i, J])_j^l E_l \\
 &= (\frac{1}{2} \widehat{J E_i}(J) + \widehat{,}_i)_j^l E_l. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

COROLLARY 4.6. *If $T^{0,2}(J) = 0$ then $\nabla J = 0$ implies that J is integrable.*

COROLLARY 4.7. *If $\nabla J = 0$ and J is integrable then $T^{0,2}(J) = 0$.*

Proof. $\nabla J = 0$ implies that J is a horizontal section, in particular it defines an almost complex local submanifold and then $A = 0$, as $0 = N_J + T^{0,2}(J)$, $N_J = 0$ implies immediately that $T^{0,2}(J) = 0$. □

5. Almost Hermitian structure

Let Z_ω be the twistor bundle of the almost symplectic manifold (M, ω) , let θ be a connection on P_ω and let $\mathbb{J} = \mathbb{J}_\theta$ be the corresponding almost complex structure on Z_ω , we can define, in a natural way, a Riemannian metric, $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{G}_\theta$, on Z_ω : let $J \in Z_\omega$ and let $X, Y \in T_J Z_\omega$, decompose X and Y in horizontal and vertical components, $X = X^h + X^v$, $Y = Y^h + Y^v$, let $\overset{\vee}{g}$ be the canonical metric of the fibre $p^{-1}(p(J)) \cong \frac{Sp(2n)}{U(n)}$ defined by the Killing form on $sp(2n)$, then we pose $\mathbb{G}(X, Y) := \mathbb{G}(X^h, Y^h) + \mathbb{G}(X^v, Y^v)$, where: $\mathbb{G}(X^h, Y^h) := \omega(p_*(X^h), Jp_*(Y^h))$ and $\mathbb{G}(X^v, Y^v) := \overset{\vee}{g}(X^v, Y^v)$.

Using previous notations, in local coordinates, we have the following expression:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{G}(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j) &= \omega(E_i, JE_j) = \Leftrightarrow E_i J_n J E_j = (\Leftrightarrow J_n J)_j^i \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}) &= 0 \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{A}, \widehat{B}) &= \frac{1}{2} Tr \widehat{A} \widehat{B} = Tr(AB + AJBJ) \end{cases} .$$

We get immediately that $(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}, \mathbb{G})$ is an almost Hermitian manifold.

We want to exploit conditions under which $(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}, \mathbb{G})$ is a Kähler manifold. Let $\eta(X, Y) = \mathbb{G}(X, \mathbb{J}Y)$ be the Kähler form, we have:

$$\begin{cases} \eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j) = (J_n)_j^i \\ \eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}) = 0 \\ \eta(\widehat{A}, \widehat{B}) = \frac{1}{2} Tr(\widehat{A} \widehat{J} \widehat{B}) \end{cases}$$

thus, a direct computation of the differential of η gives:

$$\begin{cases} d\eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{E}_k) &= \Leftrightarrow d\omega(E_i, E_j, E_k) \\ d\eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{A}) &= \eta(\widehat{F}_{ij}, \widehat{A}) = \frac{1}{2} Tr(\widehat{F}_{ij} \widehat{J} \widehat{A}) \\ d\eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}, \widehat{B}) &= 0 \\ d\eta(\widehat{A}, \widehat{B}, \widehat{C}) &= 0 \end{cases} . \quad (3)$$

We have the following:

PROPOSITION 5.1. *$(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}, \mathbb{G})$ is an almost Kähler manifold if and only if the following conditions hold: a) (M, ω) is a symplectic manifold; b) the curvature of the chosen connection vanishes.*

Proof. First remark that from (3) it follows that (M, ω) is a symplectic manifold if and only if $d\eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{E}_k) = 0$ for all $i, j, k = 1, \dots, 2n$;

second we have that $d\eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{A}) = 0$ if and only if $\widehat{F}_{ij} = 0$ for all $i, j = 1, \dots, 2n$, from arguments of linear algebra we get the statement in fact: $\widehat{F}_{ij} = 0 \Leftrightarrow [F_{ij}, P] = 0 \forall P \in \mathfrak{S}(n)$, in particular for $P = J_n$ we get $F_{ij} = \Leftrightarrow^t F_{ij}$, moreover, for generic $P = XJ_nX^{-1}$ is $\widehat{F}_{ij} = 0 \Leftrightarrow F_{ij}XJ_nX^{-1} \Leftrightarrow XJ_nX^{-1}F_{ij} = 0 \Leftrightarrow F_{ij}X^tXJ_n \Leftrightarrow X^tXJ_nF_{ij} = 0 \Leftrightarrow F_{ij}X^tXJ_n + X^tX^tF_{ij}J_n = 0 \Leftrightarrow F_{ij}X^tX \Leftrightarrow X^tXF_{ij} = 0 \Leftrightarrow [F_{ij}, X^tX] = 0 \forall X \in Sp(2n)$; if we take X diagonal matrix with all the elements distinct we get immediately that F_{ij} must be diagonal, and, as is antisymmetric, we have that $\widehat{F}_{ij} = 0$ if and only if $F_{ij} = 0$. From the expression of $d\eta$, (3), we have that the proof is complete. \square

REMARK 5.2. *It is well known that (M, ω) is symplectic if and only if P_ω admits a torsion free connection, [7], then, chosen such a connection θ , or more generally with only $(0,2)$ -part of the torsion zero, if $(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}_\theta, \mathbb{G}_\theta)$ is almost Kähler then it is automatically Kähler because the integrability conditions (2) are satisfied.*

Now we will investigate conditions under which the manifold $(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}, \mathbb{G})$ is semi-Kähler. Remember that an almost Hermitian manifold is called semi-Kähler if its Kähler form is co-closed, or equivalently if its Lee form is zero. We recall that given a $2k$ -dimensional almost symplectic manifold (N, α) the **Lee form** of (N, α) is the 1-form Ψ defined by:

$$\Psi(X) := \frac{1}{2(k \Leftrightarrow 1)} d\alpha(X, X_i, \mu^{-1}(X_i^*))$$

where X is a vector field on N , $\{X_1, \dots, X_{2k}\}$ is a local basis of vector fields, $\{X_1^*, \dots, X_{2k}^*\}$ is the dual basis of 1-forms and μ is the musical isomorphism defined by α as $\mu(X)(Y) := \Leftrightarrow\alpha(X, Y)$, [5].

Using previous notations we compute the Lee form of (Z_ω, η) , we have:

$\Psi(X) = \frac{1}{n(n+3)-2} d\eta(X, X_i, \mu^{-1}(X_i^*))$, where $\mu(X_i)(X_l) = \Leftrightarrow\eta(X_i, X_l)$; in particular $\mu^{-1}(\widehat{E}_i^*) = (J_n)_i^i \widehat{E}_l$, and, using (3), we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(\widehat{E}_k) &= \frac{1}{n(n+3)-2} d\eta(\widehat{E}_k, \widehat{E}_i, (J_n)_i^i \widehat{E}_l) \\ &= \frac{-1}{n(n+3)-2} (J_n)_i^i d\omega(E_k, E_i, E_l) \\ &= \frac{-2(n-1)}{n(n+3)-2} \widetilde{\Psi}(E_k) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where $\widetilde{\Psi}$ is the Lee form of (M, ω) ,
moreover:

$$\begin{aligned}\Psi(\widehat{A}) &= \frac{1}{n(n+3)-2} d\eta(\widehat{A}, \widehat{E}_i, (J_n)_i^i \widehat{E}_l) \\ &= \frac{1}{n(n+3)-2} (J_n)_i^i \eta(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_l, \widehat{A}) . \\ &= \frac{-1}{n(n+3)-2} \mathbb{G}((J_n)_i^i \widehat{F}_{il}, \widehat{J}\widehat{A})\end{aligned}\quad (5)$$

We can now state the following:

PROPOSITION 5.3. *$(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}, \mathbb{G})$ is a semi-Kähler manifold if and only if the following conditions hold: a) (M, ω) is semi-Kähler; b) ω is in the ker of the curvature operator of the given connection.*

Proof. $(Z_\omega, \mathbb{J}, \mathbb{G})$ is semi-Kähler if and only if $\Psi \equiv 0$, in particular condition a) follows immediately from (4). Moreover from condition (5) we have that $\Psi(\widehat{A}) = 0$ for any \widehat{A} if and only if $(J_n)_i^i \widehat{F}_{il} = 0$; the argument used in the proof of Proposition 5.1. gives that this condition is equivalent to $(J_n)_i^i F_{il} = 0$, this is exactly condition b), after considering the curvature operator acting on 2-forms identifying vectors and 1-forms by ω . \square

6. The twistor bundle $Z(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$

In this section we describe in details some interesting properties of the twistor bundle of \mathbb{R}^{2n} with the standard symplectic form ω_n .

Let $P = P(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, Sp(2n))$ be the principal bundle of symplectic frames on $(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$, and let $Z = Z(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$ be the corresponding twistor bundle; let $\{x^1, \dots, x^{2n}\}$ be coordinates on \mathbb{R}^{2n} , let $E_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \dots, E_{2n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{2n}}$ and $e = \{E_1, \dots, E_{2n}\}$, e defines global trivializations $P \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n} \times Sp(2n)$ and $Z \cong \mathbb{R}^{2n} \times \mathfrak{S}(n)$. Consider the connection θ_0 on P defined by the gauge potential $\mathcal{A} = 0$, we have immediately that θ_0 has zero torsion and curvature, in particular, from previous results we get:

PROPOSITION 6.1. *$(Z, \mathbb{J}_{\theta_0}, \mathbb{G}_{\theta_0})$ is a Kähler manifold.*

Using symplectomorphisms of $(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$ we can construct more general connections on P such that the induced Hermitian structure on Z is Kähler. We proceed in the following way:

let $Symp(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$ denote the set of symplectic diffeomorphisms of $(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$, let $\ell \in Symp(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$, pose $L_j^i = \frac{\partial \ell^i}{\partial x^j}$ and $L = (L_j^i)_{1 \leq i, j \leq 2n}$, we have that $L = L(x) \in Sp(2n) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ and $\mathcal{A} = L^{-1}dL \in \Lambda^1(\mathbb{R}^{2n}) \otimes sp(2n)$ defines a connection θ_ℓ on P , the following holds:

LEMMA 6.2. *For any $\ell \in Symp(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$ the connection θ_ℓ has zero torsion and zero curvature.*

Proof. The computation of the torsion T gives:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{kl}^h &= ,_{kl}^h \Leftrightarrow ,_{lk}^h = (L^{-1})_r^h \frac{\partial L_r^l}{\partial x^k} \Leftrightarrow (L^{-1})_r^h \frac{\partial L_r^k}{\partial x^l} \\ &= (L^{-1})_r^h \left(\frac{\partial^2 \ell^r}{\partial x^l \partial x^k} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \ell^r}{\partial x^k \partial x^l} \right) = 0; \end{aligned}$$

for the curvature we have:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{kl} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \left(L^{-1} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^l} \right) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \left(L^{-1} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^k} \right) + \left[L^{-1} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^k}, L^{-1} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^l} \right] \\ &= \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} \left(\frac{\partial L^{-1}}{\partial x^l} L \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \left(\frac{\partial L^{-1}}{\partial x^k} L \right) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial L^{-1}}{\partial x^k} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^l} + \frac{\partial L^{-1}}{\partial x^l} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^k} = 0. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

From previous Lemma and previous results we get immediately the following:

PROPOSITION 6.3. *For any $\ell \in Symp(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n)$ the twistor bundle $(Z(\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_n), \mathbb{J}_{\theta_\ell}, \mathbb{G}_{\theta_\ell})$ is Kähler.*

In the following we will compute the scalar curvature of the metric $\mathbb{G} = \mathbb{G}_{\theta_\ell}$; let us compute the covariant derivative, $\widehat{\nabla}$, defined by the Levi-Civita connection of \mathbb{G} , using previous notations we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{E}_i} \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{E}_k) &= ,_{ij}^r (\Leftrightarrow J_n J)_k^r \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{E}_i} \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{A}) &= \frac{1}{2} (J_n [A, J])_j^i \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j) &= \frac{1}{2} (\Leftrightarrow J_n [A, J])_j^i \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{E}_i, \widehat{B}) &= 0 \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{B}, \widehat{E}_i) &= 0 \\ \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{B}, \widehat{C}) &= \overset{\vee}{g} (\overset{\vee}{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{B}, \widehat{C}) \end{aligned}$$

where $\overset{\vee}{\nabla}$ is the covariant derivative of the Levi-Civita connection of

$\overset{\vee}{g}$ on the fibre. In particular we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{E}_i} \widehat{E}_j &= , \widehat{E}_k + \frac{1}{2} (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_j^i \widehat{Y}_\alpha \\
\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{E}_i &= \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} (J[A, J])_i^k \widehat{E}_k \\
\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{E}_i} \widehat{A} &= \widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{E}_i + [\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{A}] \\
\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{B} &= \overset{\vee}{\nabla}_{\widehat{A}} \widehat{B}
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Moreover, denoted by $R(X, Y) = \nabla_X \nabla_Y \Leftrightarrow \nabla_Y \nabla_X \Leftrightarrow \nabla_{[X, Y]}$ the Riemann curvature tensor of \mathbb{G} , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{G}(R(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j) \widehat{E}_k, \widehat{E}_l) &= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_k^i (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_j^l + \right. \\
&\quad \left. \Leftrightarrow (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_k^j (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_i^l \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{G}(R(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) \widehat{E}_j, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) &= \frac{1}{2} (\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2} (J[Y_\alpha, J])_j^r (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_r^i + \\
&\quad \Leftrightarrow (J_n[Y_\beta, J])_j^i \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{Y}_\alpha} \widehat{Y}_\beta, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) \Leftrightarrow \widehat{Y}_\alpha ((J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_j^i)
\end{aligned}$$

where $1 \leq \alpha, \beta \leq n(n+1)$ and $\{Y_\alpha\}_{1 \leq \alpha \leq n(n+1)}$ is an orthonormal basis of the vertical tangent bundle, then, denoted by \mathbb{G}^{ab} the ab entry of the inverse matrix of \mathbb{G} , by $\overset{\vee}{s}$ the scalar curvature of $\overset{\vee}{g}$, the scalar curvature of the metric \mathbb{G} , s , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= \mathbb{G}(R(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{E}_j)\widehat{E}_s, \widehat{E}_k)\mathbb{G}^{sj}\mathbb{G}^{ik} + 2\mathbb{G}(R(\widehat{E}_i, \widehat{Y}_\alpha)\widehat{Y}_\alpha, \widehat{E}_k)\mathbb{G}^{ik} + \\
 &+ \mathbb{G}(R(\widehat{Y}_\alpha, \widehat{Y}_\beta)\widehat{Y}_\beta, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) = \frac{1}{4}(\Leftrightarrow(J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_s^j(J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_i^k + \\
 &+ (J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_s^i(J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_j^k)(JJ_n)_j^s(JJ_n)_i^k + \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2}((\Leftrightarrow J[Y_\alpha, J])_k^r(J_n[Y_\alpha, J])_r^i \Leftrightarrow 2(J_n[Y_\beta, J])_k^i \mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{Y}_\alpha}\widehat{Y}_\beta, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) + \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2(J_n[Y_\alpha, [Y_\alpha, J]])_k^i)(JJ_n)_i^k + \overset{\vee}{s} \\
 &= \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{4}(Tr[Y_\alpha, J]J)^2 + \frac{1}{4}Tr([Y_\alpha, J]J[Y_\alpha, J]J) + \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2}Tr([Y_\alpha, J]J[Y_\alpha, J]J) + (Tr(J[Y_\beta, J]))\mathbb{G}(\widehat{\nabla}_{\widehat{Y}_\alpha}\widehat{Y}_\beta, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) \\
 &+ Tr([Y_\alpha, [Y_\alpha, J]J) + \overset{\vee}{s} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{G}(\widehat{Y}_\alpha, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) + \mathbb{G}(\widehat{Y}_\alpha, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) + \\
 &\Leftrightarrow 2\mathbb{G}(\widehat{Y}_\alpha, \widehat{Y}_\alpha) + \overset{\vee}{s} = \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2}n(n+1) + \overset{\vee}{s}
 \end{aligned}$$

so far we proved the following:

PROPOSITION 6.4. *The scalar curvature of the metric \mathbb{G} is constant negative.*

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