# HOMOGENEOUS KÄHLER AND SASAKIAN STRUCTURES RELATED TO COMPLEX HYPERBOLIC SPACES

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Abstract We study homogeneous Kähler structures on a non-compact Hermitian symmetric space and their lifts to homogeneous Sasakian structures on the total space of a principal line bundle over it, and we analyze the case of the complex hyperbolic space.

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## 1 Introduction

The general theory of homogeneous Kähler manifolds is well-known, as well as the relation between homogeneous symplectic and homogeneous contact manifolds (see e.g. Boothby and Wang [6], Díaz Miranda and Reventós [9], and Dorfmeister and Nakajima [10]).

As is also widely known, a connected, simply connected and complete Riemannian manifold is a symmetric space if and only if its curvature tensor field is parallel. Ambrose and Singer [2] extended this result to obtain a characterization of homogeneous Riemannian manifolds in terms of the existence of a tensor field S of type (1,2) on the manifold, called a homogeneous Riemannian structure (see Tricerri and Vanhecke [26], where a classification of such structures is also given), satisfying certain properties (see (2.1); if S=0 one has the symmetric case). Moreover, Sekigawa [24] obtained the corresponding result for almost Hermitian manifolds, defining homogeneous almost Hermitian structures, which were classified by Abbena and Garbiero in [1] (among them the homogeneous Kähler structures). Its odd-dimensional version, the almost contact metric case, has been also studied (see, for instance, [8, 11, 14, 19]).

In Section 2, we give the basic results about homogeneous Riemannian and homogeneous Kähler structures. In particular we consider these structures on Hermitian symmetric spaces of non-compact type. Besides the trivial homogeneous structure S=0 associated to the description of one such space as a symmetric space, other structures can be obtained associated to other descriptions as a homogeneous space and, in particular, to its description as a solvable Lie group given by an Iwasawa decomposition (§ 2.2).

We also give a construction of homogeneous Sasakian structures on the bundle space of a principal line bundle over a Hermitian symmetric space of non-compact type, endowed with a connection 1-form that is the contact form of a Sasakian structure on the total space (Proposition 2.5).

The complex hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{C}H(n) = SU(n,1)/S(U(n) \times U(1))$  with the Bergman metric is an irreducible Hermitian symmetric space of non-compact type, and, up to homotheties, is the simply-connected complete complex space form of negative curvature. It has been characterized in [12] in terms of the existence of certain type of homogeneous Kähler structure on it, and in [7] a Lie-theoretical description of its homogeneous structure of linear type is found. In Section 3 we study the homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$  from other point of view, which in particular provide an infinite number of descriptions of  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$  as non-isomorphic solvable Lie groups. Moreover, we consider the principal line bundle over  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$  with its Sasakian structure given in a natural way from a connection form on the bundle, and we obtain the families of homogeneous Sasakian structures on its bundle space following our previous general construction. Summarizing, we get:

- (a) All the homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n) \equiv AN$ . They are given in terms of some 1-forms related by a system of differential equations on the solvable Lie group AN (Theorem 3.1).
- (b) The explicit description of a multi-parametric family of homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$ , given by using the generators of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  (Proposition 3.6), and the corresponding subgroups of the full isometry group SU(n,1) of AN (Theorem 3.7).
- (c) The explicit description of a one-parametric family of homogeneous Sasakian structures on the bundle space of the line bundle  $\bar{M} \to \mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$ , given in terms of the horizontal lifts of the generators of  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}$  and the fundamental vector field  $\xi$  on  $\bar{M}$  (Proposition 3.9), and their associated reductive decompositions (Propositions 3.11 and 3.12). One of them describes  $\bar{M}$  as the complete simply connected  $\varphi$ -symmetric Sasakian space  $\widehat{SU}(n,1)/SU(n)$ , which is also a Sasakian space form.

On the other hand, complex hyperbolic space was the first target spacetime where Nishino's [21] alternative (i.e., neither necessarily hyper-Kähler nor quaternion-Kähler) N = (4,0) superstring theory proved to work. This model has some interesting features, among them, not to have (which is a trait common to heterotic  $\sigma$ -models) the incompatibility between the torsion tensor and quaternion-Kähler manifolds found by de Wit and van Nieuwenhuizen [27]. Another peculiarity is that in this case, one of the two scalars of the relevant global multiplet is promoted to coordinates on  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$ , while the other plays the role of a tangent vector under the holonomy group  $S(U(n) \times U(1))$ .

# 2 Homogeneous Riemannian Structures

Ambrose and Singer [2] proved that a connected, simply connected and complete Riemannian manifold is homogeneous if and only there exists a tensor field S of type (1,2) on M such that the connection  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla - S$  satisfies the Eqs.

$$\widetilde{\nabla}g = 0, \quad \widetilde{\nabla}R = 0, \quad \widetilde{\nabla}S = 0,$$
 (2.1)

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection of g and R its curvature tensor field, for which we adopt the conventions  $R_{XY}Z = \nabla_{[X,Y]}Z - \nabla_X\nabla_YZ + \nabla_Y\nabla_XZ$ ,  $R_{XYZW} = g(R_{XY}Z, W)$ . Such a tensor field S is called a homogeneous Riemannian structure ([26]). We also denote by S the associated tensor field of type (0,3) on M defined by  $S_{XYZ} = g(S_XY, Z)$ .

## 2.1 Homogeneous Kähler structures

An almost Hermitian manifold (M, g, J) is said to be a homogeneous almost Hermitian manifold if there exists a Lie group of holomorphic isometries which acts transitively and effectively on M. Sekigawa proved the following

**Theorem 2.1.** ([24]) A connected, simply connected and complete almost Hermitian manifold (M, g, J) is homogeneous if and only if there is a tensor field S of type (1, 2) on M which satisfies Eqs. (2.1) and  $\widetilde{\nabla} J = 0$ .

A tensor S satisfying the Eqs. (2.1) and  $\widetilde{\nabla}J=0$  is called a homogeneous almost Hermitian structure. The almost Hermitian manifold (M,g,J) is Kähler if and only if J is integrable and the fundamental 2-form  $\Omega$  on M, given by  $\Omega(X,Y)=g(X,JY)$ , is closed, or equivalently  $\nabla J=0$ . In this case, a homogeneous almost Hermitian structure is also called a homogeneous Kähler structure, and we have

**Proposition 2.2.** A homogeneous Riemannian structure S on a Kähler manifold (M,g,J) is a homogeneous Kähler structure if and only if  $S \cdot J = 0$ , or equivalently  $S_{XYZ} = S_{XJYJZ}$  for all the vector fields X, Y, Z on M.

Corollary 2.3. A connected, simply connected and complete Kähler manifold (M, g, J) is a homogeneous Kähler manifold if and only if there exists a homogeneous Kähler structure on M.

If (M = G/H, g) is a homogeneous Riemannian manifold, where G is a connected Lie group acting transitively and effectively on M as a group of isometries and H is the isotropy group at a point  $o \in M$ , then the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  of G may be decomposed into a vector space direct sum  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$ , where  $\mathfrak{h}$  is the Lie algebra of H and  $\mathfrak{m}$  is an  $\mathrm{Ad}(H)$ -invariant subspace of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . If G is connected and M is simply connected then H is connected, and the condition  $\mathrm{Ad}(H)\mathfrak{m} \subset \mathfrak{m}$  is equivalent to  $[\mathfrak{h},\mathfrak{m}] \subset \mathfrak{m}$ . The vector space  $\mathfrak{m}$  is identified with  $T_o(M)$  by the isomorphism  $X \in \mathfrak{m} \to X_o^* \in T_o(M)$ , where  $X^*$  is the Killing vector field on M generated by the one-parameter subgroup  $\{\exp tX\}$  of G acting on M. If  $X \in \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$ , we write  $X = X_{\mathfrak{h}} + X_{\mathfrak{m}}$ ,  $(X_{\mathfrak{h}} \in \mathfrak{h}, X_{\mathfrak{m}} \in \mathfrak{m})$ . The canonical connection  $\widetilde{\nabla}$  of M = G/H (with regard to the reductive decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$ ) is determined by

$$(\widetilde{\nabla}_{X^*}Y^*)_o = [X^*, Y^*]_o = -[X, Y]_o^* = -([X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}})_o^*, \qquad X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}, \tag{2.2}$$

and  $S = \nabla - \widetilde{\nabla}$  satisfies the Ambrose-Singer Eqs. (2.1), and it is the homogeneous Riemannian structure associated to the reductive decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$ . If (M, g) is endowed with a compatible almost complex structure J invariant by G (so that (M = G/H, g, J) is a homogeneous almost Hermitian manifold), restricting J to  $T_o(M) \equiv \mathfrak{m}$ , we obtain a

linear endomorphism  $J_o$  of  $\mathfrak{m}$  such that  $J_o^2 = -1$ , and  $J_o \operatorname{ad}_{\mathfrak{h}} = \operatorname{ad}_{\mathfrak{h}} J_o$ . Moreover, J is integrable if and only if

$$[J_o X, J_o Y]_{\mathfrak{m}} - [X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}} - J_o [X, J_o Y]_{\mathfrak{m}} - J_o [J_o X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}} = 0$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}$  ([18], Ch. 10, Prop. 6.5).

Conversely, suppose that (M,g) is a connected, simply connected and complete Riemannian manifold, and let S be a homogeneous Riemannian structure on (M,g). We put  $\mathfrak{m} = T_o(M)$ , where  $o \in M$ . If  $\widetilde{R}$  is the curvature tensor of the connection  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla - S$ , the holonomy algebra  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{h}}$  of  $\widetilde{\nabla}$  is the Lie subalgebra of the Lie algebra of antisymmetric endomorphisms  $\mathfrak{so}(\mathfrak{m})$  of  $(\mathfrak{m}, g_o)$  generated by the operators  $\widetilde{R}_{XY}$ , where  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}$ . A Lie bracket is defined (Nomizu [20]) in the vector space direct sum  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \widetilde{\mathfrak{h}} + \mathfrak{m}$  by

$$\begin{split} [U,V] &= UV - VU, & U,V \in \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}, \\ [U,X] &= U(X), & U \in \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}, \ X \in \mathfrak{m}, \\ [X,Y] &= \widetilde{R}_{XY} + S_X Y - S_Y X, & X,Y \in \mathfrak{m} \,, \end{split} \tag{2.3}$$

and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}} = \tilde{\mathfrak{h}} + \mathfrak{m}$  is the reductive decomposition corresponding to the homogeneous Riemannian structure S. Let  $\widetilde{G}$  be the connected simply connected Lie group whose Lie algebra is  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}$  and  $\widetilde{H}$  the connected Lie subgroup of  $\widetilde{G}$  whose Lie algebra is  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}$ . Then  $\widetilde{G}$  acts transitively on M as a group of isometries and M is diffeomorphic to  $\widetilde{G}/\widetilde{H}$ . If  $\Gamma$  is the set of the elements of  $\widetilde{G}$  which act trivially on M, then  $\Gamma$  is a discrete normal subgroup of  $\widetilde{G}$ , and the Lie group  $G = \widetilde{G}/\Gamma$  acts transitively and effectively on M as a group of isometries, with isotropy group  $H = \widetilde{H}/\Gamma$ . Then M is diffeomorphic to G/H. Now, if J is a compatible almost complex structure on (M,g) and S is a homogeneous almost Hermitian structure, then the holonomy algebra  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}$  is a subalgebra of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{u}(\mathfrak{m}) = \{A \in \mathfrak{so}(\mathfrak{m}) : A \cdot J = 0\}$  of the unitary group, and  $M \approx \widetilde{G}/\widetilde{H} \approx G/H$  is a homogeneous almost Hermitian manifold.

## 2.2 Hermitian symmetric spaces of non-compact type

Suppose that (M = G/K, g, J) is a connected Hermitian symmetric space of non-compact type, where  $G = I_0(M)$  is the identity component of the group of (holomorphic) isometries and K is a maximal compact subgroup of G. Then M is simply connected and the Hermitian structure is Kähler. We consider a Cartan decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$  of the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{g}$  of G, and the Iwasawa decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ , where  $\mathfrak{k}$  is the Lie algebra of K,  $\mathfrak{a} \subset \mathfrak{p}$  is a maximal  $\mathbb{R}$ -diagonalizable subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , and  $\mathfrak{n}$  is a nilpotent subalgebra. Let A and A be the connected abelian and nilpotent Lie subgroups of G whose Lie algebras are  $\mathfrak{a}$  and  $\mathfrak{n}$ , respectively. The solvable Lie group AN acts simply transitively on M, so M is isometric to AN equipped with the left-invariant Riemannian metric defined by the scalar product  $\langle \ , \ \rangle$ , induced on  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n} \cong \mathfrak{g} / \mathfrak{k} \cong \mathfrak{p}$  by a positive multiple of  $B_{|\mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}}$ , where B is the Killing form of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

Now, let  $\hat{G}$  be a connected closed Lie subgroup of G which acts transitively on M. The isotropy group of this action at  $o = K \in M$  is  $H = \hat{G} \cap K$ . Then M = G/K has also the description  $M \equiv \hat{G}/H$ , and  $o \equiv H \in \hat{G}/H$ . Let  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$  be a reductive decomposition of the Lie algebra  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}}$  of  $\hat{G}$  corresponding to  $M \equiv \hat{G}/H$ .

We have the isomorphisms of vector spaces

$$\mathfrak{p} \cong \mathfrak{g} / \mathfrak{k} \cong \hat{\mathfrak{g}} / \mathfrak{h} \cong \mathfrak{m} \cong T_o(M) \cong \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n},$$

with

$$\xi \colon \mathfrak{p} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathfrak{m}, \quad \mu \colon \mathfrak{m} \xrightarrow{\cong} T_o(M), \quad \zeta \colon T_o(M) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n},$$

given by

$$\xi^{-1}(Z) = Z_{\mathfrak{p}}, \quad \mu(Z) = Z_{o}^{*}, \quad \zeta^{-1}(X) = X_{o}^{*}, \qquad Z \in \mathfrak{m}, \ X \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n} \,.$$

For each  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$ , we have  $(X_{\mathfrak{k}})_o^* = 0$  and  $(\nabla (X_{\mathfrak{p}})^*)_o = 0$ , and since the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  has no torsion, for each  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{g}$ , we have

$$(\nabla_{X^*}Y^*)_o = (\nabla_{(X_{\mathfrak{p}})^*}(Y_{\mathfrak{k}})^*)_o = [(X_{\mathfrak{p}})^*, (Y_{\mathfrak{k}})^*]_o = -[X_{\mathfrak{p}}, Y_{\mathfrak{k}}]_o^*. \tag{2.4}$$

The reductive decomposition  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$  defines the homogeneous Riemannian structure  $S = \nabla - \widetilde{\nabla}$ , where  $\widetilde{\nabla}$  is the canonical connection of  $M \equiv \hat{G}/H$  with respect to  $\hat{\mathfrak{g}} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}$ , which is  $\hat{G}$ -invariant and uniquely determined by  $(\widetilde{\nabla}_{X^*}Y^*)_o = -[X,Y]_o^*$ , for  $X,Y \in \mathfrak{m}$  (2.2). The tensor field S is also uniquely determined by its value at o because  $M \equiv \hat{G}/H$  and S is  $\hat{G}$ -invariant. Since J is  $\hat{G}$ -invariant, from [18], Ch. 10, Prop. 2.7, it follows that  $\widetilde{\nabla} J = 0$ , and by Theorem 2.1, S is a homogeneous Kähler structure.

We have

$$(S_{X^*}Y^*)_o = (\nabla_{X^*}Y^*)_o + [X,Y]_o^* = \nabla_{Y_o^*}X^*, \quad X,Y \in \mathfrak{m}.$$
 (2.5)

By (2.4) and (2.5), S is given by

$$S_{X^*}Y_{\mathfrak{o}}^* = [X_{\mathfrak{k}}, Y_{\mathfrak{p}}]_{\mathfrak{o}}^*, \qquad X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}.$$

Then, for each  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ , we have

$$S_{X_o^*}Y_o^* = S_{\xi(X_{\mathfrak{p}})_o^*}\xi(Y_{\mathfrak{p}})_o^* = [(\xi(X_{\mathfrak{p}}))_{\mathfrak{k}}, Y_{\mathfrak{p}}]_o^*.$$

The complex structure J on M = G/K is defined by an element  $E_J$  in the center of  $\mathfrak{k}$ , and it defines the complex structure  $J \in \operatorname{End}(\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n})$  such that the following diagram is commutative, and  $(\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}, \langle , \rangle, J)$  becomes a Hermitian vector space isomorphic to  $(T_o(M), g_o, J_o)$ .

Let A and N be the connected abelian and nilpotent Lie subgroups of G whose Lie algebras are  $\mathfrak{a}$  and  $\mathfrak{n}$ , respectively. The solvable Lie group AN acts simply transitively on M. Then M is isometric to AN equipped with the left-invariant Riemannian metric defined by the scalar product induced on  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n} \cong \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{k} \cong \mathfrak{p}$  by a positive multiple of  $B_{|\mathfrak{p} \times \mathfrak{p}}$ , where B is the Killing form of  $\mathfrak{g}$ , so that AN equipped with the left-invariant almost complex structure defined by J is a Kähler manifold.

## 2.3 Homogeneous almost contact Riemannian manifolds

An almost contact structure on a (2n+1)-dimensional manifold  $\bar{M}$  is a triple  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$ , where  $\varphi$  is a tensor field of type (1, 1),  $\xi$  a vector field (called the characteristic vector field) and  $\eta$  a differential 1-form on  $\bar{M}$  such that

$$\varphi^2 = -\mathrm{id} + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1.$$

Then  $\varphi \xi = 0$ ,  $\eta \circ \varphi = 0$ , and  $\varphi$  has rank 2n. If  $\bar{g}$  is a Riemannian metric on  $\bar{M}$  such that  $\bar{g}(\varphi \tilde{X}, \varphi \tilde{Y}) = \bar{g}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) - \eta(\tilde{X})\eta(\tilde{Y})$  for all vector fields  $\tilde{X}$  and  $\tilde{Y}$  on  $\bar{M}$  then  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is said to be an almost contact metric structure on  $\bar{M}$ . In this case,  $\bar{g}(\tilde{X}, \xi) = \eta(\tilde{X})$ . The 2-form  $\Phi$  on M defined by  $\Phi(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) = \bar{g}(\tilde{X}, \varphi \tilde{Y})$  is called the fundamental 2-form of the almost contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$ . If  $d\eta(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}) = \tilde{X}\eta(\tilde{Y}) - \tilde{Y}\eta(\tilde{X}) - \eta([\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}]) = 2\Phi(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})$ , then  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is called a contact metric (or contact Riemannian) structure; in particular,  $\eta \wedge (d\eta)^n \neq 0$ , that is,  $\eta$  is a contact form on  $\bar{M}$ . If

$$(D_{\tilde{X}}\varphi)\tilde{Y} = \bar{g}(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})\xi - \eta(\tilde{Y})\tilde{X}, \tag{2.6}$$

where D is the Levi-Civita connection of  $\bar{g}$ , then  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is called a Sasakian structure, and the manifold  $\bar{M}$  with such a structure is a Sasakian manifold. Sasakian manifolds can also be characterized as normal contact metric manifolds and they are in some sense odd-dimensional analogues of Kähler manifolds (see Blair [3, 4]).

If  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is an almost contact metric structure on  $\bar{M}$  and  $(\bar{M} = \bar{G}/H, \bar{g})$  is a homogeneous Riemannian manifold such that  $\varphi$  is invariant under the action of the connected Lie group  $\bar{G}$  (and hence so are  $\xi$  and  $\eta$ ) then  $(\bar{M}, \varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is called a homogeneous almost contact Riemannian manifold ([8, 14, 19]). Let  $\bar{R}$  be the curvature tensor field of the Levi-Civita connection D of  $\bar{g}$ . Let S be a homogeneous Riemannian structure on  $\bar{M}$ , that is  $\tilde{D}\bar{g}=0$ ,  $\tilde{D}\bar{R}=0$  and  $\tilde{D}S=0$ , where  $\tilde{D}=D-S$ . If S satisfies the additional condition  $\tilde{D}\varphi=0$  (and hence  $\tilde{D}\xi=0$  and  $\tilde{D}\eta=0$ ), then S is called a homogeneous almost contact metric structure on  $(\bar{M},\varphi,\xi,\eta,\bar{g})$ . From the results of Kiričenko in [17] on homogeneous Riemannian spaces with invariant tensor structure, it follows

**Theorem 2.4.** A connected, simply connected and complete almost contact metric manifold  $(\bar{M}, \varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is a homogeneous almost contact Riemannian manifold if and only if there exists a homogeneous almost contact metric structure on  $\bar{M}$ .

A homogeneous almost contact metric structure on a Sasakian manifold will be also called a homogeneous Sasakian structure.

## 2.4 Principal 1-bundles over almost Hermitian manifolds

Let (M, g, J) be an almost Hermitian manifold and let  $\overline{M}$  be the bundle space of a principal 1-bundle over M. Let  $\eta$  be a connection (form) on the principal bundle  $\pi \colon \overline{M} \to M$ , and let  $\xi$  be the fundamental vector field on  $\overline{M}$  defined by the element 1 of the Lie algebra  $\mathbb{R}$  of the structure group of the bundle. Then  $\eta(\xi) = 1$ . For each vector field X on M, we denote by  $X^H$  the horizontal lift of X with respect to  $\eta$ . If  $\overline{X}$  is a vector field on  $\overline{M}$ , its vertical part is  $\eta(\overline{X})\xi$ . Then, for any vector fields X and Y on M, we have

$$[X^H, Y^H] = [X, Y]^H + \eta([X^H, Y^H])\xi.$$

Moreover,  $[X^H, \xi] = 0$ , because  $X^H$  is invariant under the action of the structural group. We define a tensor field  $\varphi$  of type (1,1) and a Riemannian metric  $\bar{g}$  on  $\bar{M}$  by

$$\varphi X^H = (JX)^H, \ \varphi \xi = 0, \qquad \bar{g} = \pi^* g + \eta \otimes \eta, \tag{2.7}$$

where X and Y are vector fields on M. Clearly,  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is an almost contact metric structure on  $\bar{M}$ , and we have  $\bar{g}(X^H, Y^H) = g(X, Y) \circ \pi$ , and  $\bar{g}(X^H, \xi) = 0$ . Let  $\Phi$  be its 2-fundamental form. If  $\Omega$  is the fundamental 2-form of the almost Hermitian manifold (M, g, J), then  $\pi^*\Omega = \Phi$ .

If  $\nabla$  and D are the Levi-Civita connections of g and  $\bar{g}$ , respectively, then (Ogiue [22])

$$D_{X^H}Y^H = (\nabla_X Y)^H + \frac{1}{2}\eta([X^H, Y^H])\xi = (\nabla_X Y)^H - \frac{1}{2}d\eta(X^H, Y^H)\xi,$$

and  $D_{X^H}\xi = D_{\xi}X^H = -\varphi X^H$ . Now, if  $2\Phi = d\eta$ , Eq. (2.6) is satisfied as one can easily see by replacing  $(\tilde{X}, \tilde{Y})$  by  $(X^H, Y^H)$ ,  $(X^H, \xi)$ , and  $(\xi, Y^H)$ , respectively. Then, if the almost contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  is a contact structure, it is also Sasakian.

Suppose now that the structural group of the principal 1-bundle  $\pi\colon\bar M\to M$  is  $\mathbb R$  and that the base manifold is a 2n-dimensional connected Hermitian symmetric space of noncompact type (M=G/K,g,J), so that M is isometric to the solvable Lie group AN as in § 2.2. Then M is holomorphically diffeomorphic to a bounded symmetric domain, i.e., to a simply connected open subset of  $\mathbb C^n$  such that each point is an isolated fixed point of an involutive holomorphic diffeomorphism of itself ([15], Ch. VIII, Th. 7.1). Since  $\pi\colon\bar M\to M$  is a principal line bundle over the paracompact manifold M, then it admits a global section ([18], Ch. I, Th. 5.7), so there exists a diffeomorphism  $\bar M\to M\times\mathbb R$ , and the bundle space  $\bar M$  may be identified with  $AN\times\mathbb R$ , with  $\pi$  being the projection on AN. On the other hand, since the fundamental 2-form  $\Omega$  associated to the Kähler structure (g,J) is closed,  $\Omega=d\zeta$  for some real analytic 1-form  $\zeta$  on AN. We consider the connection form  $\eta=2\pi^*\zeta+dt$  on  $\bar M$ , where t is the coordinate of  $\mathbb R$ . The vertical vector field  $\xi$  with  $\eta(\xi)=1$  can be identified with  $\frac{d}{dt}$ , and we consider  $\varphi$  and  $\bar g$  given by (2.7). Then  $2\Phi=2\pi^*\Omega=2\pi^*d\zeta=d\eta$ , and hence  $(\varphi,\xi,\eta,\bar g)$  is a Sasakian structure on  $\bar M$ .

If  $\bar{S}$  is a homogeneous almost contact metric structure on  $\bar{M}$ , and  $\tilde{D} = D - \bar{S}$ , then  $\tilde{D}\xi = 0$ , and hence  $\bar{S}_{X^H}\xi = D_{X^H}\xi = -\varphi X^H$ . We have

**Proposition 2.5.** Let (M = G/K, g, J) be a connected Hermitian symmetric space of non-compact type. Let  $\pi \colon \overline{M} \to M$  be a principal line bundle with connection form  $\eta$  such that the almost contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \overline{g})$  on  $\overline{M}$  defined by (2.7) is Sasakian.

(a) If S is a homogeneous Kähler structure on M then the tensor field  $\bar{S}$  on  $\bar{M}$  defined by

$$\bar{S}_{X^H}Y^H = (S_XY)^H - \bar{g}(X^H, \varphi Y^H)\xi, \quad \bar{S}_{X^H}\xi = -\varphi X^H = \bar{S}_{\xi}X^H, \quad \bar{S}_{\xi}\xi = 0,$$

for all vector fields X and Y on M, is a homogeneous Sasakian structure on  $\overline{M}$ .

(b)  $\{S^t: t \in \mathbb{R}\}\ defined\ by$ 

$$S^t_{X^H}Y^H = -\bar{g}(X^H,\varphi Y^H)\xi, \quad S^t_{X^H}\xi = -\varphi X^H, \quad S^t_\xi X^H = -t\varphi X^H, \quad S^t_\xi \xi = 0,$$

is a family of homogeneous Sasakian structures on  $\bar{M}$ .

*Proof.* (a) If  $\widetilde{D} = D - \overline{S}$ , then since  $\overline{S}_{X^HY^HZ^H} = \overline{g}((S_XY)^H, Z^H) = g(S_XY, Z) \circ \pi = -g(Y, S_XZ) \circ \pi = -\overline{g}(Y^H, (S_XZ)^H) = -\overline{S}_{X^HZ^HY^H}$ , and  $\overline{S}_{X^HY^H\xi} = -\overline{S}_{X^H\xi Y^H}$ , the condition  $\widetilde{D}\overline{g} = 0$  is satisfied. On the other hand, if  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla - S$  we have

$$\widetilde{D}_{X^H}Y^H = (\widetilde{\nabla}_X Y)^H, \quad \widetilde{D}_{X^H}\xi = \widetilde{D}_{\xi}X^H = 0.$$
 (2.8)

We can identify M = G/K with the solvable Lie group AN in an Iwasawa decomposition G = KAN and consider the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  of AN. If  $\tilde{U}, \tilde{V}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{Y}, \tilde{Z}$  are horizontal lifts of elements of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  or some of them are the vertical vector field  $\xi$ , then

$$(\tilde{D}_{\tilde{U}}\bar{R})_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}\tilde{Z}\tilde{V}} = -\bar{R}_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}\tilde{Z}\tilde{D}_{\tilde{U}}\tilde{V}} + \bar{R}_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}\tilde{V}\tilde{D}_{\tilde{U}}\tilde{Z}} - \bar{R}_{\tilde{Z}\tilde{V}\tilde{X}\tilde{D}_{\tilde{U}}\tilde{Y}} + \bar{R}_{\tilde{Z}\tilde{V}\tilde{Y}\tilde{D}_{\tilde{U}}\tilde{X}}, \tag{2.9}$$

since  $\tilde{U}(\bar{R}_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}\tilde{Z}\tilde{V}}) = 0$ . Now, if  $X, Y, Z, V \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ , then

$$\bar{R}_{X^{H}Y^{H}Z^{H}V^{H}} = \left( R_{XYZV} - 2g(X, JY)g(Z, JV) + g(X, JV)g(Y, JZ) - g(X, JZ)g(Y, JV) \right) \circ \pi,$$

$$\bar{R}_{X^{H}Y^{H}Z^{H}\xi} = -\bar{g}([X, Y]^{H}, \varphi Z^{H}) + \bar{g}((\nabla_{X}Z)^{H}, \varphi Y^{H}) - \bar{g}((\nabla_{Y}Z)^{H}, \varphi X^{H}),$$

$$\bar{R}_{X^{H}\xi Z^{H}\xi} = \bar{g}(D_{X^{H}}\xi, D_{Z^{H}}\xi).$$
(2.10)

By using (2.8) and (2.10), the conditions  $\widetilde{\nabla}R = 0$  and  $\widetilde{\nabla}J = 0$  for the homogeneous Kähler structure S on M, and the formula  $\bar{R}_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}}\xi = \eta(\tilde{X})\tilde{Y} - \eta(\tilde{Y})\tilde{X}$  for the Sasakian manifold  $(\bar{M}, \varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g})$  ([4], Prop. 7.3), one obtains from (2.9) that  $\widetilde{D}\bar{R} = 0$ . Now,  $(\tilde{D}_{U^H}\bar{S})_{X^H}Y^H = ((\tilde{\nabla}_U S)_X Y)^H$ ,  $(\tilde{D}_{U^H}\bar{S})_{X^H}\xi = -((\tilde{\nabla}_U J)X)^H$ , and  $\tilde{D}_{\xi}S = 0$ , then  $\tilde{D}S = 0$ . Moreover,  $(\tilde{D}_{X^H}\varphi)Y^H = ((\tilde{\nabla}_X J)Y)^H$  and  $(\tilde{D}_{X^H}\varphi)\xi = 0$ , then  $\tilde{D}\varphi = 0$ , and  $\bar{S}$  is a homogeneous Sasakian structure on  $\bar{M}$ .

(b) If t = 1 the corresponding tensor  $S^1$  coincides with  $\bar{S}$  in (a) for S = 0. For arbitrary t, if  $\tilde{D}^t = D - S^t$  we have  $\tilde{D}^t_{\xi} X^H = (t-1)(JX)^H$ , and we get  $\tilde{D}^t \bar{g} = 0$ ,  $\tilde{D}^t \bar{R} = 0$ ,  $\tilde{D}^t \bar{S}^t = 0$ ,  $\tilde{D}^t \varphi = 0$ .

# 3 The Complex Hyperbolic Space $\mathbb{C}H(n)$

## 3.1 $\mathbb{C}H(n)$ as a solvable Lie group

The complex hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$ , which may be identified with the unit ball in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  endowed with the hyperbolic metric of constant holomorphic sectional curvature -4, may also be viewed as the irreducible Hermitian symmetric space of non-compact type  $SU(n,1)/S(U(n)\times U(1))$ .

The Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1)$  of SU(n,1) can be described as the subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{sl}(n+1,\mathbb{C})$  of all matrices of the form

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} Z & P^T \\ \bar{P} & ic \end{pmatrix}, \tag{3.1}$$

where  $Z \in \mathfrak{u}(n)$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $P = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . The involution  $\tau$  of  $\mathfrak{su}(n, 1)$  given by  $\tau(X) = -\bar{X}^T$  defines the Cartan decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(n, 1) = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$ , where

$$\mathfrak{k} = \Big\{ \Big( \begin{array}{cc} Z & 0 \\ 0 & ic \end{array} \Big) : \operatorname{tr} Z + ic = 0 \Big\} \cong \mathfrak{s}(\mathfrak{u}(n) \oplus \mathfrak{u}(1)), \quad \mathfrak{p} = \Big\{ \Big( \begin{array}{cc} 0 & P^T \\ \bar{P} & 0 \end{array} \Big) \Big\}.$$

The element  $A_0$  of  $\mathfrak{p}$  defined by  $P=(0,\ldots,0,1)$  generates a maximal  $\mathbb{R}$ -diagonalizable subalgebra  $\mathfrak{a}$  of  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1)$ . Let  $f_0$  be the linear functional on  $\mathfrak{a}$  given by  $f_0(A_0)=1$ . If n>1, the set of roots of  $(\mathfrak{su}(n,1),\mathfrak{a})$  is  $\Sigma=\{\pm f_0,\pm 2f_0\}$ , the set  $\Pi=\{f_0\}$  is a system of simple roots, and the corresponding positive root system is  $\Sigma^+=\{f_0,2f_0\}$ . If n=1,  $\Sigma=\{\pm 2f_0\}$ , and  $\Pi=\Sigma^+=\{2f_0\}$ .

Let  $E_{ij}$  be the matrix in  $\mathfrak{gl}(n,\mathbb{C})$  such that the entry at the *i*-th row and the *j*-th column is 1 and the other entries are all zero. The root vector spaces are

$$\mathfrak{g}_{f_0} = \langle Z_j, Z'_j : 1 \leqslant j \leqslant n - 1 \rangle \text{ (if } n > 1), \quad \mathfrak{g}_{2f_0} = \langle U \rangle,$$

$$\mathfrak{g}_{-f_0} = \langle W_j, W'_j : 1 \leqslant j \leqslant n - 1 \rangle \text{ (if } n > 1), \quad \mathfrak{g}_{-2f_0} = \langle V \rangle.$$

where

$$Z_{j} = E_{jn} - E_{j,n+1} - E_{nj} - E_{n+1,j}, \quad Z'_{j} = i(E_{jn} - E_{j,n+1} + E_{nj} + E_{n+1,j}),$$

$$W_{j} = E_{jn} + E_{j,n+1} - E_{nj} + E_{n+1,j}, \quad W'_{j} = i(E_{jn} + E_{j,n+1} + E_{nj} - E_{n+1,j}),$$

$$U = i(E_{nn} - E_{n,n+1} + E_{n+1,n} - E_{n+1,n+1}),$$

$$V = i(E_{nn} + E_{n,n+1} - E_{n+1,n} - E_{n+1,n+1}).$$

If n > 2, the centralizer of  $\mathfrak a$  in  $\mathfrak k$  is  $Z_{\mathfrak k}(\mathfrak a) = \langle C_r, F_{jk}, H_{jk} : r, j, k = 1, \ldots, n-1, j < k \rangle \cong \mathfrak u(n-1)$ , where

$$C_r = 2iE_{rr} - iE_{nn} - iE_{n+1,n+1}, \quad F_{jk} = E_{jk} - E_{kj}, \quad H_{jk} = i(E_{jk} + E_{kj})$$

and  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1) = (Z_{\mathfrak{k}}(\mathfrak{a}) + \mathfrak{a}) + \sum_{f \in \Sigma} \mathfrak{g}_f$  is the restricted-root space decomposition. We also have the Iwasawa decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1) = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ , where  $\mathfrak{n} = \mathfrak{g}_{f_0} + \mathfrak{g}_{2f_0} = \langle U, Z_j, Z'_j : 1 \leq j \leq n-1 \rangle$ .

If n=2, we put  $C=C_1=\mathrm{diag}(2i,-i,-i),\ Z=Z_1,\ Z'=Z'_1$ , and in this case C generates  $Z_{\mathfrak{k}}(\mathfrak{a})$ , and  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}=\langle A_0,U,Z,Z'\rangle$ . If  $n=1,\ Z_{\mathfrak{k}}(\mathfrak{a})=0$ , we have the restricted-root space decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(1,1)=\mathfrak{a}+(\mathfrak{g}_{2f_0}+\mathfrak{g}_{-2f_0})=\langle A_0\rangle+\langle U,V\rangle$ , and the solvable part in the Iwasawa decomposition is  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}=\langle A_0,U\rangle$ .

By using the Cartan decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1) = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$ , we express each element  $X \in \mathfrak{su}(n,1)$  as the sum  $X = X_{\mathfrak{k}} + X_{\mathfrak{p}}$  ( $X_{\mathfrak{k}} \in \mathfrak{k}$ ,  $X_{\mathfrak{p}} \in \mathfrak{p}$ ). In particular, we have

$$\begin{split} U_{\mathfrak{k}} &= i(E_{nn} - E_{n+1,n+1}), & U_{\mathfrak{p}} &= i(E_{n+1,n} - E_{n,n+1}), \\ (Z_j)_{\mathfrak{k}} &= E_{jn} - E_{nj}, & (Z_j)_{\mathfrak{p}} &= -(E_{n+1,j} + E_{j,n+1}), \\ (Z'_j)_{\mathfrak{k}} &= i(E_{jn} + E_{nj}), & (Z'_j)_{\mathfrak{p}} &= i(E_{n+1,j} - E_{j,n+1}). \end{split}$$

From the basis  $\{A_0, U, Z_j, Z_j' : 1 \leqslant j \leqslant n-1\}$  of  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}$  and the generators of  $Z_{\mathfrak{k}}(\mathfrak{a})$  above, we get the basis  $\{C_r, F_{jk}, H_{jk}, U_{\mathfrak{k}}, (Z_r)_{\mathfrak{k}}, (Z_r')_{\mathfrak{k}} : r, j, k=1,\ldots,n-1, j < k\}$  of  $\mathfrak{k}$ , and the basis  $\{A_0, U_{\mathfrak{p}}, (Z_j)_{\mathfrak{p}}, (Z_j')_{\mathfrak{p}} : 1 \leqslant j \leqslant n-1\}$  of  $\mathfrak{p}$ . Notice that, if  $n=1, \mathfrak{k} = \langle U_{\mathfrak{k}} \rangle$  and  $\mathfrak{p} = \langle A_0, U_{\mathfrak{p}} \rangle$ , and if n=2 we have  $\mathfrak{k} = \langle C, U_{\mathfrak{k}}, Z_{\mathfrak{k}}, Z_{\mathfrak{k}}' \rangle$ , and  $\mathfrak{p} = \langle A, U_{\mathfrak{p}}, Z_{\mathfrak{p}}, Z_{\mathfrak{p}}' \rangle$ . We

also decompose  $\mathfrak{k} = \mathfrak{k}' + \mathfrak{c}$ , where  $\mathfrak{k}' = [\mathfrak{k}, \mathfrak{k}] = \langle C_r - U_{\mathfrak{k}}, F_{jk}, H_{jk}, (Z_r)_{\mathfrak{k}}, (Z'_r)_{\mathfrak{k}} : r, j, k = 1, \ldots, n-1, j < k \rangle \cong \mathfrak{su}(n)$ , and  $\mathfrak{c}$  is the center of  $\mathfrak{k}$ , which is generated by the element  $E_J = \frac{1}{2n+1}(C_1 + \cdots + C_{n-1} + (n+1)U_{\mathfrak{k}})$  such that  $\mathrm{ad}_{E_J} : \mathfrak{p} \to \mathfrak{p}$  defines the complex structure on  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$ . By the isomorphisms  $\mathfrak{p} \cong \mathfrak{su}(n,1)/\mathfrak{k} \cong \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ , we obtain the complex structure J acting on  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  as follows.

$$JA_0 = -U, \quad JU = A_0, \quad JZ_r = Z_r', \quad JZ_r' = -Z_r.$$
 (3.2)

We consider the scalar product  $\langle , \rangle$  on  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  defined by the isomorphism  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n} \cong \mathfrak{p}$  and  $\frac{1}{4(n+1)}B_{|\mathfrak{p}\times\mathfrak{p}|}$ . Then  $(\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}, \langle , \rangle, J)$  is a Hermitian vector space, and the basis  $\{A_0, U, Z_r, Z'_r : 1 \leqslant r \leqslant n-1\}$  of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  is orthonormal. We consider the solvable factor AN (with Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ ) of the Iwasawa decomposition of SU(n, 1) with the invariant metric q and almost complex structure J defined by  $\langle , \rangle$  and J, respectively.

The Lie brackets of the elements of the basis of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  are given by

$$[A_0, U] = 2U, \quad [A_0, Z_j] = Z_j, \quad [A_0, Z_j'] = Z_j', \quad [Z_j, Z_r'] = -\delta_{jr} 2U,$$
  
 $[U, Z_j] = [U, Z_j'] = [Z_j, Z_r] = [Z_j', Z_r'] = 0.$ 

The Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  is given by  $2g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = g([X, Y], Z) - g([Y, Z], X) + g([Z, X], Y)$  for all  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ . So, the covariant derivatives between generators of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  are given by

$$\nabla_{A_{0}}A_{0} = \nabla_{A_{0}}U = \nabla_{A_{0}}Z_{r} = \nabla_{A_{0}}Z'_{r} = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{U}A_{0} = -2U, \quad \nabla_{U}U = 2A_{0}, \quad \nabla_{U}Z_{r} = Z'_{r}, \quad \nabla_{U}Z'_{r} = -Z_{r},$$

$$\nabla_{Z_{j}}A_{0} = -Z_{j}, \quad \nabla_{Z_{j}}U = Z'_{j}, \quad \nabla_{Z_{j}}Z_{r} = \delta_{jr}A_{0}, \quad \nabla_{Z_{j}}Z'_{r} = -\delta_{jr}U,$$

$$\nabla_{Z'_{j}}A_{0} = -Z'_{j}, \quad \nabla_{Z'_{j}}U = -Z_{j}, \quad \nabla_{Z'_{j}}Z_{r} = \delta_{jr}U, \quad \nabla_{Z'_{j}}Z'_{r} = \delta_{jr}A_{0}.$$
(3.3)

The components of the curvature tensor field R are given by

$$\begin{split} R_{A_0U}A_0 &= -4U, \quad R_{A_0U}U = 4A_0, \quad R_{A_0U}Z_r = 2Z_r', \quad R_{A_0U}Z_r' = -2Z_r, \\ R_{A_0Z_j}A_0 &= -Z_j, \quad R_{A_0Z_j}U = Z_j', \quad R_{A_0Z_j}Z_r = \delta_{jr}A_0, \quad R_{A_0Z_j}Z_r' = -\delta_{jr}U, \\ R_{A_0Z_j'}A_0 &= -Z_j', \quad R_{A_0Z_j'}U = -Z_j, \quad R_{A_0Z_j'}Z_r = \delta_{jr}U, \quad R_{A_0Z_j'}Z_r' = \delta_{jr}A_0, \\ R_{UZ_j}A_0 &= -Z_j, \quad R_{UZ_j}A_0 = -Z_j, \quad R_{UZ_j}Z_r = \delta_{jr}U, \quad R_{UZ_j}Z_r' = \delta_{jr}A_0, \\ R_{UZ_j'}A_0 &= Z_j, \quad R_{UZ_j'}U = -Z_j', \quad R_{UZ_j'}Z_r = -\delta_{jr}A_0, \quad R_{UZ_j'}Z_r' = \delta_{jr}U, \\ R_{Z_kZ_j}A_0 &= R_{Z_kZ_j}U = 0, \quad R_{Z_jZ_r'}A_0 = 2\delta_{jr}U, \quad R_{Z_jZ_r'}U = -2\delta_{jr}A_0, \\ R_{Z_kZ_j}Z_r &= \delta_{jr}Z_k - \delta_{kr}Z_j, \quad R_{Z_kZ_j}Z_r' = \delta_{jr}Z_k' - \delta_{kr}Z_j', \quad R_{Z_kZ_j'}Z_r' = R_{Z_kZ_j}, \\ R_{Z_jZ_j'}Z_r &= -2(1+\delta_{jr}Z_r'), \quad R_{Z_jZ_j'}Z_r' = 2(1+\delta_{jr})Z_r \\ R_{Z_kZ_j'}Z_r &= -\delta_{jr}Z_k' - \delta_{kr}Z_j', \quad R_{Z_kZ_j'}Z_r = \delta_{jr}Z_k - \delta_{kr}Z_j, \quad (k \neq j). \end{split}$$

In particular we see that the invariant metric on AN has constant holomorphic sectional curvature -4.

## **3.2** Homogeneous Kähler structures on $\mathbb{C}H(n) \equiv AN$

We will determine the homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{C}H(n) \equiv AN$  in terms of the basis of left-invariant forms  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma^j, \gamma'^j, 1 \leq j \leq n-1$ , dual to  $A_0, U, Z_j, Z'_j$ . If S is

a homogeneous Riemannian structure on AN and  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla - S$ , the condition  $\widetilde{\nabla}g = 0$  in (2.1) is equivalent to  $S_{XYZ} + S_{XZY} = 0$  for all  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ . Moreover,  $\widetilde{\nabla}R = 0$  is equivalent to the condition

$$(\nabla_X R)_{Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 Y_4} = -R_{S_X Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 Y_4} - R_{Y_1 S_X Y_2 Y_3 Y_4} - R_{Y_1 Y_2 S_X Y_3 Y_4} - R_{Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 S_X Y_4},$$

for all  $Y_1, Y_1, Y_3, Y_4 \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ . Replacing  $(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4)$  by  $(A_0, U, A_0, Z_j)$ ,  $(A_0, U, A_0, Z_j')$ ,  $(A_0, U, Z_k, Z_j)$ , and  $(A_0, U, Z_k, Z_j')$ , one gets that  $S_{XUZ_j} = S_{XA_0Z_j'}$ ,  $S_{XUZ_j'} = -S_{XA_0Z_j}$ ,  $S_{XZ_kZ_j'} = -S_{XZ_k'Z_j}$ , and  $S_{XZ_kZ_j} = S_{XZ_k'Z_j'}$ , respectively. It is easy to see that the condition  $\widetilde{\nabla} R = 0$  holds if and only if the last four Eqs. are satisfied for all  $X \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ . These Eqs. also show (see (3.2)) that the condition  $S \cdot J = 0$  of homogeneous Kähler structure (see Proposition 2.2) is fulfilled. We put

$$\omega(X) = S_{XA_0U}, \quad \sigma^j(X) = S_{XA_0Z_j} = -S_{XUZ_j'}, \quad \tau^j(X) = S_{XA_0Z_j'} = S_{XUZ_j}, \quad (3.4)$$
$$\theta^{kj}(X) = S_{XZ_kZ_j'} = S_{XZ_jZ_j'}, \quad \psi^{kj}(X) = S_{XZ_kZ_j} = S_{XZ_j'Z_j'}. \quad (3.5)$$

We have  $\theta^{kj} = \theta^{jk}$  and  $\psi^{kj} = -\psi^{jk}$ . Now, we must determine the conditions for the 1-forms  $\omega$ ,  $\sigma^j$ ,  $\tau^j$ ,  $\theta^{kj}$  and  $\sigma^{kj}$  under which the condition  $\widetilde{\nabla}S = 0$  in (2.1) is satisfied.

By (3.3), (3.4) and (3.5), the connection  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla - S$  is given by

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_X A_0 = -(2\beta + \omega)(X)U - \sum_j (\gamma^j + \sigma^j)(X)Z_j - \sum_j (\gamma'^j + \tau^j)(X)Z_j',$$

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_X U = (2\beta + \omega)(X)A_0 - \sum_j (\gamma'^j + \tau^j)(X)Z_j + \sum_j (\gamma^j + \sigma^j)(X)Z_j',$$

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_X Z_j = (\gamma^j + \sigma^j)(X)A_0 + (\gamma'^j + \tau^j)(X)U + (\beta - \theta^j)(X)Z_j'$$

$$+ \sum_{k \neq j} (\psi^{kj}(X)Z_k - \theta^{kj}(X)Z_k'),$$

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_X Z_j' = (\gamma'^j + \tau^j)(X)A_0 - (\gamma^j + \sigma^j)(X)U + (\theta^j - \beta)(X)Z_j$$

$$+ \sum_{k \neq j} (\theta^{kj}(X)Z_k - \psi^{kj}(X)Z_k').$$

Now, replacing  $(V_1, V_2)$  in the Eq.  $(\widetilde{\nabla}_X S)(W, V_1, V_2) = 0$  by  $(A_0, U)$ ,  $(A_0, Z_j)$ ,  $(A_0, Z_j')$ ,  $(Z_k, Z_j)$  and  $(Z_k, Z_j')$ , respectively, we obtain that the condition  $\widetilde{\nabla} S = 0$  is equivalent to the following conditions:

$$\widetilde{\nabla}\omega = 2\sum_{j} \left( (\gamma^{j} + \sigma^{j}) \otimes \tau^{j} - (\gamma'^{j} + \tau^{j}) \otimes \sigma^{j} \right), 
\widetilde{\nabla}\sigma^{j} = -(\beta + \omega + \theta^{j}) \otimes \tau^{j} + (\gamma'^{j} + \tau^{j}) \otimes (\omega + \theta^{j}) 
+ \sum_{k \neq j} \left( \psi^{kj} \otimes \sigma^{k} - \theta^{kj} \otimes \tau^{k} + (\gamma'^{k} + \tau^{k}) \otimes \theta^{kj} - (\gamma^{k} + \sigma^{k}) \otimes \psi^{kj} \right), 
\widetilde{\nabla}\tau^{j} = (\beta + \omega + \theta^{j}) \otimes \sigma^{j} - (\gamma^{j} + \sigma^{j}) \otimes (\omega + \theta^{j}) 
+ \sum_{k \neq j} \left( \theta^{kj} \otimes \sigma^{k} + \psi^{kj} \otimes \tau^{k} - (\gamma^{k} + \sigma^{k}) \otimes \theta^{kj} - (\gamma'^{k} + \tau^{k}) \otimes \psi^{kj} \right), 
\widetilde{\nabla}\theta^{kj} = (\gamma^{j} + \sigma^{j}) \otimes \tau^{k} + (\gamma^{k} + \tau^{k}) \otimes \tau^{j} - (\gamma'^{j} + \tau^{j}) \otimes \sigma^{k} - (\gamma'^{k} + \tau^{k}) \otimes \sigma^{j} 
+ \sum_{l} \psi^{lk} \wedge \theta^{jl} + \sum_{l} \theta^{lk} \wedge \psi^{jl}, 
\widetilde{\nabla}\psi^{kj} = (\gamma^{k} + \sigma^{k}) \otimes \sigma^{j} - (\gamma^{j} + \sigma^{j}) \otimes \sigma^{k} - (\gamma'^{k} + \tau^{k}) \otimes \tau^{j} - (\gamma'^{j} + \tau^{j}) \otimes \tau^{k} 
+ \sum_{l} \theta^{lk} \wedge \theta^{jl} - \sum_{l} \psi^{lk} \wedge \psi^{jl},$$
(3.6)

where  $\theta^{j} = \theta^{jj}$ . Thus, from (3.4) and (3.5), we have

**Theorem 3.1.** All the homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{CH}(n) \equiv AN$  are given by

$$S = \omega \otimes (\alpha \wedge \beta) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \left( \sigma^{j} \otimes (\alpha \wedge \gamma^{j} - \beta \wedge \gamma'^{j}) + \tau^{j} \otimes (\alpha \wedge \gamma'^{j} + \beta \wedge \gamma^{j}) + \theta^{jj} \otimes (\gamma^{j} \wedge \gamma'^{j}) \right) + \sum_{1 \leq k < j \leq n-1} \left( \psi^{kj} \otimes (\gamma^{k} \wedge \gamma^{j} + \gamma'^{k} \wedge \gamma'^{j}) + \theta^{kj} \otimes (\gamma^{k} \wedge \gamma'^{j} + \gamma^{j} \wedge \gamma'^{k}) \right),$$

where  $\omega$ ,  $\sigma^j$ ,  $\tau^j$ ,  $\theta^{kj}$ ,  $\psi^{kj}$ ,  $(1 \le k, j \le n-1)$ , are 1-forms on AN satisfying  $\theta^{jk} = \theta^{kj}$ ,  $\psi^{jk} = -\psi^{kj}$  and the Eqs. (3.6).

If n=2, we put  $\gamma=\gamma^1$ ,  $\gamma'=\gamma'^1$ , so that  $\{\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\gamma'\}$  is the basis of left-invariant forms on  $AN=\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(2)$  dual to  $\{A_0,U,Z,Z'\}$ , and we have

**Corollary 3.2.** All the homogeneous Kähler structures on the complex hyperbolic plane  $\mathbb{C}H(2) \equiv AN$  are given by

$$S = \omega \otimes (\alpha \wedge \beta) + \sigma \otimes (\alpha \wedge \gamma - \beta \wedge \gamma') + \tau \otimes (\alpha \wedge \gamma' + \beta \wedge \gamma) + \theta \otimes (\gamma \wedge \gamma'),$$

where  $\omega$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $\tau$  and  $\theta$  are 1-forms on AN satisfying

$$\widetilde{\nabla}\omega = 2(\gamma + \sigma) \otimes \tau - 2(\gamma' + \tau) \otimes \sigma = \widetilde{\nabla}\theta,$$

$$\widetilde{\nabla}\sigma = -(\beta + \omega + \theta) \otimes \gamma + (\gamma' + \tau) \otimes (\omega + \theta),$$

$$\widetilde{\nabla}\tau = (\beta + \omega + \theta) \otimes \sigma - (\gamma + \sigma) \otimes (\omega + \theta).$$

If n = 1,  $\{\alpha, \beta\}$  is the basis of 1-invariant forms on the 2-dimensional solvable Lie group  $AN = \mathbb{C}H(1)$  dual to the basis  $\{A_0, U\}$  of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$ , and we have

Corollary 3.3. All the homogeneous Kähler structures on the complex hyperbolic line (or real hyperbolic plane)  $\mathbb{C}H(1) \equiv AN$  are given by  $S = \omega \otimes (\alpha \wedge \beta)$ , where  $\omega$  is a 1-form on AN satisfying  $\widetilde{\nabla}\omega = 0$ .

Remark 3.4. If  $S = \omega \otimes (\alpha \wedge \beta)$  is a homogeneous Kähler structure on  $\mathbb{C}H(1)$ , and  $\omega = \lambda \alpha + \mu \beta$ , where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are functions on  $\mathbb{C}H(1)$ , the condition  $\widetilde{\nabla}\omega = 0$  together with the structure Eq.  $[A_0, U] = 2U$  gives  $\lambda = \mu = 0$  or  $\lambda^2 + \mu^2 = 4$ , and we have that there are infinite homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{C}H(1)$ . However (see [26], Th. 4.4), up to isomorphism, there are only two homogeneous structures on the real hyperbolic plane: one of them is S = 0 ( $\lambda = \mu = 0$ ), and the other, which is given by  $S_X Y = g(X, Y)\xi_0 - g(\xi_0, Y)X$ , with  $\xi_0 = 2A_0$  (for  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n} = \langle A_0, U \rangle$ ), corresponds to  $S = \omega \otimes (\alpha \wedge \beta)$ , with  $\omega = -2\beta$  ( $\lambda = 0$ ,  $\mu = -2$ ).

**Remark 3.5.** For each n > 0, S = 0 is a homogeneous Kähler structure on  $\mathbb{C}H(n) \equiv AN$ , the corresponding canonical connection is  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla$ , its holonomy algebra is  $\mathfrak{k} \cong \mathfrak{s}(\mathfrak{u}(n) \oplus \mathfrak{u}(1))$ , the associated reductive decomposition is the Cartan decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1) = \mathfrak{k} + \mathfrak{p}$ , and it gives the description of  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$  as symmetric space  $\mathbb{C}H(n) = SU(n,1)/S(U(n) \times U(1))$ .

Now, our purpose is to obtain nontrivial homogeneous Kähler structures on  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$ ,  $n \ge 2$ , their associated reductive decompositions, and the corresponding descriptions as homogeneous Kähler spaces.

We will seek for solutions for which  $\sigma^j = -\gamma^j$ ,  $\tau^j = -\gamma^j$ . In this case, we have

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\nabla} \gamma^j &= (\beta - \theta^j) \otimes \gamma'^j + \sum_{k \neq j} (\psi^{kj} \otimes \gamma^k - \theta^{kj} \otimes \gamma'^k), \\ \widetilde{\nabla} \gamma'^j &= (\theta^j - \beta) \otimes \gamma^j + \sum_{k \neq j} (\theta^{kj} \otimes \gamma^k + \psi^{kj} \otimes \gamma'^k). \end{split}$$

(Obviously, the last summands on the right hand-side in each one of the two Eqs. above do not appear if n=2.) By the second and third Eqs. in (3.6), we must have  $\omega=-2\beta$ , which also satisfies the first Eqs. in (3.6), because  $\widetilde{\nabla}\beta=(2\beta+\omega)\otimes\alpha-\sum_j(\gamma'^j+\tau^j)\otimes\gamma'^j+\sum_j(\gamma^j+\sigma^j)\otimes\gamma'^j=0$ . If n=2, by Corollary 3.2, we only have to determine  $\theta$  such that  $\widetilde{\nabla}\theta=0$ . If we put  $\theta=a\,\alpha+b\,\beta+c\,\gamma+c'\,\gamma'$ , by using also the structure Eqs. of  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}=\langle\,A_0,U,Z,Z'\,\rangle$ , we obtain that c=c'=0 and a and b are constant. For n>2 we put  $\theta^j=\theta^{jj}=a_j\alpha+b_j\beta$ ,  $\theta^{kj}=c_{kj}\alpha$ ,  $\psi^{kj}=p_{kj}\alpha$ ,  $(k\neq j)$ , with  $a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}\in\mathbb{R}$ . Then, if  $\sigma^j=-\gamma^j$ ,  $\tau^j=-\gamma'^j$  and  $\omega=-2\beta$ , Eqs. (3.6) are satisfied if and only if one has

$$p_{kj}(b_k - b_j) = c_{kj}(b_k - b_j) = 0.$$

Consequently, we get

**Proposition 3.6.** For n > 2, the space  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$  admits the multi-parametric family of homogeneous Kähler structures  $S = S^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  given in terms of the generators of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  by the following table.

Table I	$A_0$	U	$Z_{j}$	$Z_j^\prime$
$S_{A_0}$	0	0	$a_j Z_j' + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z_l + c_{jl} Z_l')$	$-a_j Z_j + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z'_l - c_{jl} Z_l)$
$S_U$	-2U	$2A_0$	$b_j Z_j'$	$-\dot{b_j}Z_j$
$S_{Z_k}$	$-Z_k$	$Z'_k$	$\delta_{kj} A_0$	$-\delta_{kj}U$
$S_{Z'_k}$	$-Z'_k$	$-Z_k$	$\delta_{kj}U$	$\delta_{kj}A_0$

The complex hyperbolic plane  $\mathbb{C}H(2)$  admits the two-parametric family of homogeneous Kähler structures  $S = S^{a,b}$  given in terms of the generators of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  by the following table.

Table II	$A_0$	U	Z	Z'
$S_{A_0}$	0	0	aZ'	-aZ
$S_U$	-2U	$2A_0$	bZ'	-bZ
$S_Z$	-Z	Z'	$A_0$	-U
$S_{Z'}$	-Z'	-Z	U	$A_0$

If  $S = S^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$ , with respect to the basis  $\{A_0,U,Z_j,Z_j'\}$  of  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}$ , the connection  $\widetilde{\nabla} = \nabla - S$  is given by

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\nabla}_{A_0} Z_j &= -a_j Z_j' - \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z_l + c_{jl} Z_l'), \quad \widetilde{\nabla}_U Z_j = (1 - b_j) Z_j', \\ \widetilde{\nabla}_{A_0} Z_j' &= a_j Z_j - \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z_l' - c_{jl} Z_l), \quad \widetilde{\nabla}_U Z_j' = (b_j - 1) Z_j, \end{split}$$

with the rest vanishing. Hence, the components of the curvature tensor field are  $\widetilde{R}_{A_0U} = -\widetilde{R}_{Z_kZ'_k} = 2\sum_j (1-b_j)(Z'_j \otimes \gamma^j - Z_j \otimes \gamma'^j)$ , and the rest zero.

If  $b_j = 1$  for all j = 1, ..., n-1, the holonomy algebra of  $\widetilde{\nabla}$  is trivial and the reductive decompositions associated to the homogeneous Kähler structures given in Proposition 3.6 are given by  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}^{a_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}} = \{0\} + (\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n})$  with nonvanishing brackets, by (2.3), given by

$$[A_0, U] = 2U, \quad [A_0, Z_j] = Z_j + a_j Z_j' + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z_l + c_{jl} Z_l'),$$
  

$$[A_0, Z_j'] = -a_j Z_j + Z_j' + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z_l' + c_{jl} Z_l), \quad [Z_j, Z_j'] = -2U.$$
(3.7)

On the other hand, the element  $\hat{A}_0 = \lambda_1 C_1 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} C_{n-1} + \sum_{j < l} (c_{jl} H_{jl} - p_{jl} F_{jl}) + A_0$  of  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1)$  generates a subspace  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}}$  of  $Z_{\mathfrak{e}}(\mathfrak{a}) + \mathfrak{a}$ , and the structure Eqs. of the Lie subalgebra  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}} + \mathfrak{n}$  of  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1)$  are

$$[\hat{A}_{0}, U] = 2U, \quad [\hat{A}_{0}, Z_{j}] = Z_{j} + (3\lambda_{j} + \sum_{l \neq j} \lambda_{l})Z'_{j} + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl}Z_{l} + c_{jl}Z'_{l}),$$

$$[\hat{A}_{0}, Z'_{j}] = -(3\lambda_{j} + \sum_{l \neq j} \lambda_{l})Z_{j} + Z'_{j} + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl}Z'_{l} + c_{jl}Z_{l}), \quad [Z_{j}, Z'_{j}] = -2U,$$

$$(3.8)$$

with the rest vanishing. From (3.7) and (3.8), it follows that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}^{a_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}+\mathfrak{n}$ .

Now, for the structure  $S=S^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  in Table I, suppose that  $b_j\neq 1$  for some  $j=1,\ldots,n-1$ . Then,  $\rho=\widetilde{R}_{A_0U}=-\widetilde{R}_{Z_kZ'_k}=2\sum_j(1-b_j)(Z'_j\otimes\gamma^j-Z_j\otimes\gamma'^j)$  generates the holonomy algebra  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{h}}^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  of  $\widetilde{\nabla}=\nabla-S$ , and the reductive decomposition associated to S is  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}=\widetilde{\mathfrak{h}}^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}+(\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n})=\langle\,\rho,A_0,U,Z_j,Z'_j\,\rangle$  with structure Eqs., by (2.3), given by

$$[\rho, A_0] = [\rho, U] = 0, \quad [\rho, Z_j] = 2(1 - b_j)Z'_j, \quad [\rho, Z'_j] = 2(b_j - 1)Z_j,$$

$$[A_0, U] = \rho + 2U, \quad [A_0, Z_j] = Z_j + a_j Z'_j + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z_l + c_{jl} Z'_l),$$

$$[A_0, Z'_j] = -a_j Z_j + Z'_j + \sum_{l \neq j} (p_{jl} Z'_l + c_{jl} Z_l),$$

$$[U, Z_j] = (b_j - 1)Z'_j, \quad [U, Z'_j] = (1 - b_j)Z_j, \quad [Z_k, Z'_j] = -\delta_{kj}(\rho + 2U).$$

$$(3.9)$$

If  $\mathfrak{u} \cong \mathfrak{u}(1)$  is the subspace of  $Z_{\mathfrak{k}}(\mathfrak{a})$  generated by  $C = C_1 + \cdots + C_{n-1}$ , it is easy to see that the Lie algebra  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  is isomorphic to the Lie subalgebra  $\mathfrak{u} + \mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}} + \mathfrak{n} = \langle C, \hat{A}_0, U, Z_j, Z'_j \rangle$  of  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1)$ . We deduce

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $S = S^{a_j,b_j,c_{k_j},p_{k_j}}$  be the homogeneous Kähler structure on  $\mathbb{C}H(n)$ , n > 2, given by Table I, and let  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j,c_{k_j},p_{k_j}}$  be the subspace of  $Z_{\mathfrak{k}}(\mathfrak{a}) + \mathfrak{a}$  generated by

$$\hat{A}_0 = \sum_j \lambda_j C_j + \sum_{1 \le j < l \le n-1} (c_{jl} H_{jl} - p_{jl} F_{jl}) + A_0, \qquad (\lambda_j = \frac{n a_j - \sum_{l \ne j} a_l}{2n+2}),$$

and  $\mathfrak{u} = \langle C_1 + \cdots + C_{n-1} \rangle$ . If  $b_j = 1$  for all  $j = 1, \ldots, n-1$ , the corresponding group of isometries is the connected subgroup  $E^{\lambda_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}} N$  of SU(n, 1) whose lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}} + \mathfrak{n}$ . If  $b_j \neq 1$  for some  $j = 1, \ldots, n-1$ , the corresponding group of isometries is the connected subgroup  $U(1)E^{\lambda_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}} N$  of SU(n, 1) whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{u} + \mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j, c_{kj}, p_{kj}} + \mathfrak{n}$ .

If  $S^{a,b}$  is the homogeneous Kähler structure on the complex hyperbolic plane  $\mathbb{C}H(2)$  given by Table II,  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda} = \langle \hat{A}_0 \rangle$ , where  $\hat{A}_0 = \lambda C + A_0$ ,  $(\lambda = a/3)$ , and  $\mathfrak{u} = \langle C \rangle$ , then the corresponding group of isometries is (i) the subgroup  $E^{\lambda}N$  of SU(2,1) generated by the Lie subalgebra  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda} + \mathfrak{n}$  of  $\mathfrak{su}(2,1)$ , if b = 1; (ii) the subgroup  $U(1)E^{\lambda}N$  of SU(2,1) generated by  $\mathfrak{u} + \mathfrak{e}^{\lambda} + \mathfrak{n}$ , if  $b \neq 1$ .

Remark 3.8. Each structure  $S^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$ , with  $b_j=1$  for all j, is also characterized by the fact that  $\widetilde{\nabla}=\nabla-S^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  is the canonical connection for the Lie group  $E^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}N$ , which is the connection for which every left-invariant vector field on  $E^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}N$  is parallel. Each one of these groups acts simply transitively on  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$  and it provides a description of  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$  as a homogeneous space. If all the parameters  $a_j,\,c_{kj},\,p_{kj}$  are zero, then  $\mathfrak{e}^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}=\mathfrak{a}$ , and we get the usual description as a solvable Lie group  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)=AN$ . In this case, the corresponding homogeneous structure is given by  $S_XY=\nabla_XY$  for all  $X,Y\in\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}$ . If  $b_j\neq 1$  for some  $j=1,\ldots,n-1$ , we get the descriptions as homogeneous space  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)=U(1)E^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}N/U(1)$ .

## **3.3** Principal line bundle over $\mathbb{C}H(n)$

By (3.2), the fundamental 2-form of the Kähler structure (J,g) of  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n) \equiv AN$  is given by  $\Omega = \alpha \wedge \beta - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \gamma^j \wedge \gamma'^j = -\frac{1}{2} d\beta$ , where  $\{\alpha,\beta,\gamma^j,\gamma'^j:1\leqslant j\leqslant n-1\}$  is the basis of left-invariant 1-forms on AN dual to the basis  $\{A_0,U,Z_j,Z_j'\}$  of  $\mathfrak{a}+\mathfrak{n}$ . We consider the principal line bundle  $\pi\colon \bar{M}\to\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$ , and identify the bundle space  $\bar{M}$  with  $AN\times\mathbb{R}$  and  $\pi$  with the projection on AN. The fundamental vector field  $\xi$  is identified with  $\frac{d}{dt}$ , and the 1-form  $\eta=dt-\pi^*\beta$  is also regarded as a connection form on the bundle. If  $\varphi$  and  $\bar{g}$  are given by (2.7), then  $(\varphi,\xi,\eta,\bar{g})$  is a Sasakian structure on  $\bar{M}$ .

By (a) of Proposition 2.5, each homogeneous Kähler structure  $S^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  on  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$  given in Theorem 3.7 defines a homogeneous Sasakian structure  $\bar{S}^{a_j,b_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$  on  $\bar{M}$  which gives a description of  $\bar{M}$  as either the connected subgroup  $E^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}$   $N\times\mathbb{R}$  of  $SU(n,1)\times\mathbb{R}$  (if  $b_j=1$  for all  $j=1,\ldots,n-1$ ), or as the homogeneous space  $(U(1)E^{\lambda_j,c_{kj},p_{kj}}N\times\mathbb{R})/U(1)$ .

On the other hand, from (b) of Proposition 2.5, it follows

**Proposition 3.9.** The bundle space  $\overline{M}$  of the line bundle  $\pi : \overline{M} \to \mathbb{C}H(n)$  admits the family of homogeneous Sasakian structures  $\{S^t : t \in \mathbb{R}\}$  given, in terms of the horizontal lifts of the generators of  $\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{n}$  and the fundamental vector field  $\xi$ , by the following table.

Table III	$A_0^H$	$U^H$	$Z_j^H$	$Z_j^{\prime H}$	ξ
$S_{A_0^H}^t$	0	$-\xi$	0	0	$U^H$
$S_{U^H}^t$	ξ	0	0	0	$-A^H$
$S_{Z_k^H}^t$	0	0	0	$\delta_{kj}\xi$	$-Z_k^{\prime H}$
$S_{Z_k^{\prime H}}^t$	0	0	$-\delta_{kj}\xi$	0	$Z_k^H$
$S_{\xi}^{t}$	$tU^H$	$-tA^H$	$-tZ_j^{\prime H}$	$tZ_j^H$	0

**Remark 3.10.** For each  $p \in \bar{M}$ , if  $c_{12}(S^t)_p$  is the map from the tangent space  $T_p(\bar{M})$  to its dual given by  $c_{12}(S^t)_p(\tilde{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^{2n+1} S_{e_i e_i \tilde{X}}$ , where  $\{e_i\}$  is an orthonormal basis

of  $T_p(\bar{M})$ , then  $c_{12}(S^t)_p$  vanishes for every  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . According to Tricerri-Vanhecke's classification of homogeneous Riemannian structures in [26], each  $S^t$  is of type  $\mathcal{T}_2 \oplus \mathcal{T}_3$ . Moreover, if t = -1, we have  $S_{\tilde{X}}\tilde{Y} + S_{\tilde{Y}}\tilde{X} = 0$ , then  $S^{-1}$  is of type  $\mathcal{T}_3$ , which means that  $\bar{M}$  is a naturally reductive Riemannian space. If t = 2, then each cyclic sum  $\mathfrak{S}_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}\tilde{Z}}S_{\tilde{X}\tilde{Y}\tilde{Z}}$  vanishes, and hence  $\bar{M}$  is of type  $\mathcal{T}_2$ , which may be also expressed by saying that  $\bar{M}$  is a cotorsionless manifold (see [13]).

We will construct the reductive decomposition  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t = \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t + \bar{\mathfrak{m}}$  associated to each homogeneous Sasakian structure  $S^t$ , where  $\bar{\mathfrak{m}} = T_o(\bar{M})$ , with  $o \in \bar{M}$ , is generated by  $\tilde{A} = (A_0^H)_o$ ,  $\tilde{U} = (U^H)_o$ ,  $\tilde{Z}_j = (Z_j^H)_o$ ,  $\tilde{Z}_j' = (Z_j')_o^H$ ,  $\bar{\xi} = \xi_o$ ,  $(1 \leqslant j \leqslant n-1)$ , and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t$  is the holonomy algebra of the connection  $\tilde{D}^t = D - S^t$ . Each connection  $\tilde{D}^t$  is given by

Table IV	$A_0^H$	$U^H$	$Z_j^H$	$Z_j^{\prime H}$	ξ
$\widetilde{D}_{A_0^H}^t$	0	0	0	0	0
$\widetilde{D}_{U^H}^t$	$-2U^H$	$2A_0^H$	$Z_j^{\prime H}$	$-Z_j^H$	0
$\widetilde{D}_{Z_t^H}^t$	$-Z_k^H$	$Z_k^{\prime H}$	$\delta_{kj} A_0^H$	$-\delta_{kj}U^H$	0
$\widetilde{D}_{Z_k'^H}^t$	$-Z_k^{\prime H}$	$-Z_k^H$	$\delta_{kj}U^H$	$\delta_{kj}A_0^H$	0
$\widetilde{D}_{\xi}^{t}$	$(1-t)U^H$	$(t-1)A^H$	$(t-1)Z_j^{\prime H}$	$(1-t)Z_j^H$	0

Let  $\widetilde{R}^t$  be the curvature of  $\widetilde{D}^t$ , and let  $\{\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}, \bar{\gamma}^j, \bar{\gamma}^{\prime j}, \bar{\eta}\}$  be the basis dual to the basis  $\{\tilde{A}, \tilde{U}, \tilde{Z}_j, \tilde{Z}_j^{\prime}, \bar{\xi}\}$  of  $\bar{m}$ . The holonomy algebra  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t$  of  $\widetilde{D}^t$  is generated by the curvature operators  $\rho_0$ ,  $\rho_r$ ,  $\varphi_r$ ,  $\psi_r$ ,  $\sigma_{jk}$ ,  $\tau_{jk}$   $(r, j, k = 1, \ldots, n-1, j < k)$ , given by

$$\rho_{0} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{A}\tilde{U}} = 2(t-3)(\bar{\alpha}\otimes\tilde{U} - \bar{\beta}\otimes\tilde{A}) + 2(2-t)\sum_{j=1}^{n-1}(\bar{\gamma}^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{j} - \bar{\gamma}'^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{j}),$$

$$\rho_{r} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{Z}_{r}\tilde{Z}'_{r}} = 2(2-t)(\bar{\alpha}\otimes\tilde{U} - \bar{\beta}\otimes\tilde{A}) + 2(t-3)(\bar{\gamma}^{r}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{r} - \bar{\gamma}'^{r}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{r})$$

$$+ 2(t-2)\sum_{j\neq r}(\bar{\gamma}^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{j} - \bar{\gamma}'^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{j}),$$

$$\varphi_{r} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{A}\tilde{Z}_{r}} = -\widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{U}\tilde{Z}'_{r}} = -\bar{\alpha}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{r} + \bar{\beta}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{r} + \bar{\gamma}^{r}\otimes\tilde{A} - \bar{\gamma}'^{r}\otimes\tilde{U},$$

$$\psi_{r} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{U}\tilde{Z}_{r}} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{A}\tilde{Z}'_{r}} = -\bar{\alpha}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{r} - \bar{\beta}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{r} + \bar{\gamma}^{r}\otimes\tilde{U} + \bar{\gamma}'^{r}\otimes\tilde{A},$$

$$\sigma_{jk} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{U}\tilde{Z}_{j}\tilde{Z}_{k}} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{Z}'_{j}\tilde{Z}'_{k}} = -\bar{\gamma}^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{k} - \bar{\gamma}'^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{k} + \bar{\gamma}^{k}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{j} + \bar{\gamma}'^{k}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{j},$$

$$\tau_{jk} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{Z}_{j}\tilde{Z}'_{k}} = \widetilde{R}^{t}_{\tilde{Z}_{k}\tilde{Z}'_{j}} = -\bar{\gamma}^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{k} + \bar{\gamma}'^{j}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{k} - \bar{\gamma}^{k}\otimes\tilde{Z}'_{j} + \bar{\gamma}'^{k}\otimes\tilde{Z}_{j}.$$

(If n=2, the operators  $\sigma_{jk}$  and  $\tau_{jk}$  do not appear, that is  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t=\langle \rho_0,\rho_1,\varphi_1,\psi_1\rangle$ , and if n=1,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t$  is generated by  $\rho_0=\widetilde{R}^t_{\tilde{A}\tilde{U}}=2(t-3)(\bar{\alpha}\otimes\tilde{U}-\bar{\beta}\otimes\tilde{A})$ .) The Lie structure of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t=\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t+\bar{\mathfrak{m}}$  is defined by the Eqs. (2.3). If  $t\neq (2n+1)/n$ , the subalgebra  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t$  is isomorphic to the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{k}=\mathfrak{s}(\mathfrak{u}(n)+\mathfrak{u}(1))\cong\mathfrak{u}(n)$  in § 3.1, via the map  $h\colon \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t\to \mathfrak{k}$  given by  $h(\rho_0)=2U_{\mathfrak{k}}, h(\rho_r)=-(C_r+U_{\mathfrak{k}}), h(\varphi_r)=(Z_r)_{\mathfrak{k}}, h(\psi_r)=(Z_r')_{\mathfrak{k}}, h(\sigma_{jk})=F_{jk}, h(\tau_{jk})=-H_{jk}$ . If we put  $\hat{\rho}_0=\frac{1}{2}(\rho_0-2\bar{\xi}), \ \hat{\rho}_r=-\frac{1}{2}\rho_0-\rho_r-\bar{\xi}, \ \text{then } \widehat{\mathfrak{su}}(n,1)=\langle \hat{\rho}_0,\hat{\rho}_r,\varphi_r,\psi_r,\sigma_{jk},\tau_{jk},\tilde{A},\tilde{U},\tilde{Z}_r,\tilde{Z}_r':r,j,k=1,\ldots,n-1,j< k\rangle$  is an ideal of  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t$ , and the map h extends to a Lie algebra isomorphism  $\tilde{h}\colon\widehat{\mathfrak{su}}(n,1)\to\mathfrak{su}(n,1)=\mathfrak{k}+\mathfrak{p},$  given by  $\tilde{h}(\hat{\rho}_0)=U_{\mathfrak{k}},\ \tilde{h}(\hat{\rho}_r)=C_r,\ \tilde{h}(\varphi_r)=(Z_r)_{\mathfrak{k}},\ \tilde{h}(\psi_r)=(Z_r')_{\mathfrak{k}},\ \tilde{h}(\sigma_{jk})=F_{jk},\ \tilde{h}(\tau_{jk})=-H_{jk},$ 

 $\tilde{h}(\tilde{A}) = A_0, \ \tilde{h}(\tilde{U}) = U_{\mathfrak{p}}, \ \tilde{h}(\tilde{Z}_r) = (Z_r)_{\mathfrak{p}}, \ \tilde{h}(\tilde{Z}_r') = (Z_r')_{\mathfrak{p}}.$  Moreover,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t$  is the semidirect product of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{su}}(n,1)$  and the line generated by  $\bar{\xi}$  under the homomorphism  $\delta_t \colon \langle \bar{\xi} \rangle \to \operatorname{Der}(\widehat{\mathfrak{su}}(n,1))$ , given by  $\delta_t(\bar{\xi})(\tilde{A}) = (t-1)\tilde{U}, \ \delta_t(\bar{\xi})(\tilde{U}) = (1-t)\tilde{A}, \ \delta_t(\bar{\xi})(\tilde{Z}_r) = (1-t)\tilde{Z}_r', \ \delta_t(\bar{\xi})(\tilde{Z}_r') = (t-1)\tilde{Z}_r, \ \operatorname{and} \ \delta_t(\bar{\xi})(\langle \hat{\rho}_0, \hat{\rho}_r, \varphi_r, \psi_r, \sigma_{jk}, \tau_{jk} \rangle) = 0.$  So, we have

**Proposition 3.11.** The reductive decomposition associated to the homogeneous Sasakian structure  $S^t$ ,  $t \neq (2n+1)/n$ , on the total space of the line bundle  $\bar{M} \to \mathbb{C}H(n)$  is  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t = \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t + \bar{\mathfrak{m}}$ , where  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t \cong \mathfrak{s}(\mathfrak{u}(n) + \mathfrak{u}(1)) \cong \mathfrak{u}(n) \subset \mathfrak{su}(n,1)$ , and  $\bar{\mathfrak{m}} = \mathfrak{p} + \langle \bar{\xi} \rangle = \langle A_0, U_{\mathfrak{p}}, (Z_r)_{\mathfrak{p}}, (Z_r')_{\mathfrak{p}}, \bar{\xi} : 1 \leq r \leq n-1 \rangle$ . Moreover,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t$  is the semidirect product  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_t = \langle \bar{\xi} \rangle \ltimes_{\delta_t} \mathfrak{su}(n,1)$ , where  $\delta_t(\bar{\xi})(A_0) = (t-1)U_{\mathfrak{p}}$ ,  $\delta_t(\bar{\xi})(U_{\mathfrak{p}}) = (1-t)A_0$ ,  $\delta_t(\bar{\xi})((Z_r)_{\mathfrak{p}}) = (1-t)(Z_r')_{\mathfrak{p}}$ ,  $\delta_t(\bar{\xi})((Z_r')_{\mathfrak{p}}) = (t-1)(Z_r)_{\mathfrak{p}}$ , and  $\delta_t(\bar{\xi})(\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_t) = 0$ .

If  $n\geqslant 2$  and t=(2n+1)/n, then it is easy to see that  $\rho_0=\rho_1+\dots+\rho_{n-1}$ , and we put  $\tilde{\rho}_r=\frac{1}{2}(\rho_0+\rho_r),\ 1\leqslant r\leqslant n-1$ . In this case,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\frac{2n+1}{n}}=\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_{\frac{2n+1}{n}}+\bar{\mathfrak{m}}$  coincides with the reductive decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1)=\mathfrak{k}'+\mathfrak{m}'$ , where  $\mathfrak{k}'=[\mathfrak{k},\mathfrak{k}]\cong\mathfrak{su}(n)$ , and  $\mathfrak{m}'=\mathfrak{p}+\langle\mathfrak{c}\rangle$ , being  $\mathfrak{c}$  the center of  $\mathfrak{k}$ , which is generated by the element  $E_J$  such that  $\mathrm{ad}_{E_J}\colon\mathfrak{p}\to\mathfrak{p}$  defines the complex structure of  $\mathbb{C}\mathrm{H}(n)$ . In fact, we have the isomorphism  $f\colon \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\frac{2n+1}{n}}\to\mathfrak{su}(n,1)$  given by  $f(\tilde{\rho}_r)=\frac{1}{2}(U_{\mathfrak{k}}-C_r),\ f(\varphi_r)=(Z_r)_{\mathfrak{k}},\ f(\psi_r)=(Z_r')_{\mathfrak{k}},\ f(\sigma_{jk})=F_{jk},\ f(\tau_{jk})=-H_{jk},\ f(\tilde{A})=A_0,\ f(\tilde{U})=U_{\mathfrak{p}},\ f(\tilde{Z}_r)=(Z_r)_{\mathfrak{p}},\ f(\tilde{Z}_r')=(Z_r')_{\mathfrak{p}},\ \mathrm{and}\ f(\bar{\mathfrak{g}})=-\frac{n+1}{n}E_J=-\frac{1}{2n}(C_1+\dots+C_{n-1}+(n+1)U_{\mathfrak{k}}),\ \mathrm{and},\ \mathrm{in\ particular},\ f(\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_{\frac{2n+1}{n}})=\mathfrak{k}'$  and  $f(\bar{\mathfrak{m}})=\mathfrak{m}'.$  If n=1 and t=3, then  $\rho_0=0$ . In this case,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_3=0,\ \mathfrak{k}'=[\mathfrak{k},\mathfrak{k}]=0,\ \mathfrak{c}=\langle E_J\rangle,\ E_J=\frac{1}{2}U_{\mathfrak{k}},\ \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_3=\{0\}+\bar{\mathfrak{m}}\ \mathrm{is\ the\ reductive\ decomposition\ \mathfrak{su}}(1,1)=\{0\}+\mathfrak{m}',\ \mathrm{where\ }\bar{\mathfrak{m}}=\langle \tilde{A},\tilde{U},\bar{\xi}\rangle,\ \mathfrak{m}'=\langle A_0,U_{\mathfrak{p}},U_{\mathfrak{k}}\rangle,\ \mathrm{and}\ f\colon \tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_3\to\mathfrak{su}(1,1)\ \mathrm{such\ that}\ f(\tilde{A})=A_0,\ f(\tilde{U})=U_{\mathfrak{p}},\ f(\bar{\xi})=-U_{\mathfrak{k}}.$  Hence, we have obtained

**Proposition 3.12.** The reductive decomposition associated to the homogeneous Sasakian structure  $S^t$ , with t = (2n+1)/n, on the total space of the line bundle  $\bar{M} \to \mathbb{C}H(n)$  is  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1) = \mathfrak{k}' + \mathfrak{m}'$ , where  $\mathfrak{k}' = [\mathfrak{k},\mathfrak{k}] \cong \mathfrak{su}(n)$ , and  $\mathfrak{m}' = \mathfrak{p} + \mathfrak{c}$ ,  $\mathfrak{c} = \langle E_J \rangle$  being the center of  $\mathfrak{k}$ .

**Remark 3.13.** The reductive decomposition  $\mathfrak{su}(n,1) = \mathfrak{k}' + \mathfrak{m}'$  associated to the homogeneous Sasakian structure  $S^t$ , with  $t = \frac{2n+1}{n}$ , provides the description of  $\bar{M}$  as the homogeneous space  $\widetilde{SU}(n,1)/K'$ , where  $\widetilde{SU}(n,1)$  is the universal covering of SU(n,1), and  $K' \cong SU(n)$  is the connected subgroup of SU(n,1) whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{t}' \cong \mathfrak{su}(n)$ . (In particular, if n=1,  $\overline{M}$  is the universal covering space of  $Sl(2,\mathbb{R})$ .) These spaces appear in the classification by Jiménez and Kowalski [16] of complete simply connected  $\varphi$ -symmetric Sasakian manifolds, and they are also Sasakian space forms (they have constant  $\varphi$ -sectional curvature -7). Notice that for a Sasakian manifold, the condition of being a locally symmetric space is too strong, because in this case it is a space of constant curvature (Okumura [23]). For this reason, Takahashi [25] introduced  $\varphi$ -symmetric spaces in Sasakian geometry as generalizations of Sasakian space forms. They are also analogues of Hermitian symmetric spaces. A  $\varphi$ -symmetric space is a complete connected regular Sasakian manifold M that fibers over a Hermitian symmetric space M so that the geodesic involutions of M lift to involutive automorphisms of the Sasakian structure on M. Moreover, each complete simply connected  $\varphi$ -symmetric space is a naturally reductive homogeneous space (Blair and Vanhecke [5]).

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