

## MAGNETIC VECTOR FIELDS: NEW EXAMPLES

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ABSTRACT. In a previous paper, we introduced the notion of magnetic vector fields. More precisely, we consider a vector field  $\xi$  as a map from a Riemannian manifold into its tangent bundle endowed with the usual almost Kählerian structure and we find necessary and sufficient conditions for  $\xi$  to be a magnetic map with respect to  $\xi$  itself and the Kähler 2-form. In this paper we give new examples of magnetic vector fields.

### 1. Preliminaries

In [13] the authors define the notion of *magnetic maps* with the aim of generalizing the notion of magnetic trajectory on a Riemannian manifold. In fact, both magnetic curves and harmonic maps can be obtained as particular situations of magnetic maps.

Let  $f : N \rightarrow M$  be a smooth map between two Riemannian manifolds  $(N, h)$  of dimension  $n$  and  $(M, g)$  of dimension  $m$ . Suppose that  $N$  is compact and let  $\xi$  be a global vector field on  $N$  having null divergence. Let  $\omega$  be a 1-form on  $M$ . The energy of  $f$  is known as  $E(f) = \frac{1}{2} \int_N |df|^2 dv_h$ , where  $dv_h$  is the volume element on  $N$  and  $|df|$  is the Hilbert-Schmidt norm of the differential  $df$  given (in a point  $p \in N$ ) by

$$|df_p|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n g_{f(p)}(f_{*,p}e_i, f_{*,p}e_i).$$

Here  $\{e_i; i = 1, \dots, n\}$  is an arbitrary orthonormal basis for  $T_pN$  and  $f_{*,p} : T_pN \rightarrow T_{f(p)}M$  is the tangent map of  $f$  at  $p$ .

A smooth map  $f : (N, h) \rightarrow (M, g)$  which is a critical point of  $E(f)$  is called a *harmonic map* (see e.g., [11, 21]).

Let us now define the following functional for  $f$  associated to  $\xi$  and  $\omega$ :

$$\mathcal{P}(f) = \int_N \omega(df(\xi)) dv_h.$$

The Landau-Hall functional associated to  $\xi$  and  $\omega$  is defined by

$$LH(f) = E(f) + \mathcal{P}(f).$$

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Let  $I$  be an open interval containing 0. A smooth variation of  $f$  is a smooth map  $\mathcal{F} : N \times I \rightarrow M$ , such that  $\mathcal{F}(p, 0) = f(p)$ . For the sake of simplicity we use the notation  $f_\epsilon(p) = \mathcal{F}(p, \epsilon)$ . The variation vector field along  $f$  is a section in the induced bundle  $f^{-1}T(M)$  defined by  $V(x) = \left. \frac{\partial f_\epsilon}{\partial \epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0}(x)$ .

DEFINITION 1.1. **[13]** The map  $f$  is called *magnetic* with respect to  $\xi$  and  $\omega$  if it is a critical point of the Landau Hall integral  $LH(f)$ .

In what follows we compute the first variation  $\left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} LH(f_\epsilon) \right|_{\epsilon=0}$ . It is known from the theory of harmonic maps that

$$\left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} E(f_\epsilon) \right|_{\epsilon=0} = - \int_N g(\tau(f), V) \circ f \, dv_h,$$

where  $\tau(f) := \text{trace}_h \nabla df$  is the *tension field* of  $f$ .

Let us focus on the integral  $\mathcal{P}$  and compute  $\left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \mathcal{P}(f_\epsilon) \right|_{\epsilon=0}$ . Consider local coordinates  $x^1, \dots, x^n$  on  $N$  and  $y^1, \dots, y^m$  local coordinates on  $M$ . With respect to this setting, the map  $f_\epsilon$  may be expressed as  $y^\alpha = f_\epsilon^\alpha(x)$ , where  $f_\epsilon^\alpha$  are smooth functions on the domain of coordinates  $x$  taking values in  $\mathbb{R}$ . From now on the indices  $i, j, k$  range from 1 to  $n$ , while the indices  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  range from 1 to  $m$ .

We have

$$\mathcal{P}(f_\epsilon) = \int_N \omega_\alpha(f_\epsilon(x)) \frac{\partial f_\epsilon^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) \xi^i(x) \, dv_h.$$

Compute

$$\begin{aligned} (1.1) \quad & \left. \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \mathcal{P}(f_\epsilon) \right|_{\epsilon=0} \\ &= \int_N \left[ \frac{\partial \omega_\alpha}{\partial y^\beta}(f(x)) \frac{\partial f_\epsilon^\beta}{\partial \epsilon}(x) \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \frac{\partial f_\epsilon^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) + \omega_\alpha(f(x)) \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \frac{\partial f_\epsilon^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) \right] \xi^i(x) \, dv_h. \end{aligned}$$

Let us define a vector field  $X$  on  $N$  by  $X(x) = \xi^i(x) \omega_\alpha(f(x)) V^\alpha(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$  and compute its divergence. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}(X) &= (\overset{h}{\nabla}_i \xi^i) \omega_\alpha(f(x)) V^\alpha(x) + \xi^\alpha(x) {}' \nabla_i \omega_\alpha(f(x)) V^\alpha(x) \\ &\quad + \xi^i(x) \omega_\alpha(f(x)) {}' \nabla_i V^\alpha(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\overset{h}{\nabla}$  is the Levi-Civita connection on  $N$  and  $'\nabla$  is the induced connection.

We successively have

$$\begin{aligned} \overset{h}{\nabla}_i \xi^i &= \text{div}(\xi), \\ {}' \nabla_i \omega_\alpha(f(x)) &= \left( {}' \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}} \omega(f(x)) \right) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha} \circ f \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \omega_\alpha(f(x)) - \omega \left( {}' \nabla_{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha} \circ f \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial \omega_\alpha}{\partial y^\beta}(f(x)) \frac{\partial f^\beta}{\partial x^i}(x) - \omega_\beta(f(x)) \frac{\partial f^\gamma}{\partial x^i}(x) \overset{g}{\Gamma}_{\gamma\alpha}^\beta(f(x)) \\ &= \frac{\partial f^\gamma}{\partial x^i}(x) \overset{g}{\nabla}_\gamma \omega_\alpha(f(x)); \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_i V^\alpha = \frac{\partial V^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) + \frac{\partial f^\beta}{\partial x^i}(x) \Gamma_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha(f(x)) V^\gamma(x).$$

As  $\xi$  is divergence free, we get

$$\operatorname{div}(X) = \xi^i(x) \left[ \omega_\alpha(f(x)) \frac{\partial V^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) + \frac{\partial f^\beta}{\partial x^i}(x) \frac{\partial \omega_\alpha}{\partial y^\beta}(f(x)) V^\alpha(x) \right].$$

Since  $\int_N \operatorname{div}(X) dv_h = 0$ , we obtain

$$(1.2) \quad \int_N \xi^i(x) \omega_\alpha(f(x)) \frac{\partial V^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) dv_h = - \int_N \xi^i(x) \frac{\partial \omega_\alpha}{\partial y^\beta}(f(x)) \frac{\partial f^\beta}{\partial x^i}(x) V^\alpha(x) dv_h.$$

Combining (1.1) and (1.2) we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \mathcal{P}(f_\epsilon) &= \int_N \xi^i(x) \frac{\partial \omega_\alpha}{\partial y^\beta}(f(x)) \left( \frac{\partial f^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) V^\beta(x) - \frac{\partial f^\beta}{\partial x^i}(x) V^\alpha(x) \right) dv_h \\ &= \int_N \xi^i(x) \frac{\partial f^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) \left( \frac{\partial \omega_\alpha}{\partial y^\beta}(f(x)) - \frac{\partial \omega_\beta}{\partial y^\alpha}(f(x)) \right) V^\beta(x) dv_h \\ &= \int_N \xi^i(x) \frac{\partial f^\alpha}{\partial x^i}(x) (d\omega)_{\alpha\beta} V^\beta(x) dv_h \\ &= \int_N d\omega(f_*\xi, V) \circ f dv_h. \end{aligned}$$

Define the endomorphism  $\phi$ , called the Lorentz force associated to the potential 1-form  $\omega$ , by  $g(\phi(X), Y) = d\omega(X, Y)$ , for all  $X, Y$  tangent to  $M$ . It follows that

$$\frac{d}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} \mathcal{P}(f_\epsilon) = \int_N g(\phi f_*\xi, V) \circ f dv_h.$$

We finally obtain

$$\frac{d}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} LH(f_\epsilon) = - \int_N g(\tau(f) - \phi f_*\xi, V) \circ f dv_h.$$

We state the following.

**THEOREM 1.1.** [13] *Let  $f : (N, h) \rightarrow (M, g)$  be a smooth map. Then  $f$  is a magnetic map with respect to  $\xi$  and  $\omega$  if and only if it satisfies the Lorentz equation, that is*

$$(1.3) \quad \tau(f) = \phi(f_*\xi).$$

Sometimes, equation (1.3) will be called the *magnetic equation*. Recall that on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  a *magnetic field* is defined by a closed 2-form  $F$  and the *Lorentz force* associated to  $F$  is a  $(1, 1)$  tensor field  $\phi$  on  $M$  given by  $g(\phi X, Y) = F(X, Y)$ . The *magnetic trajectories* of  $F$  are curves  $\gamma$  satisfying the *Lorentz equation*  $\nabla_{\gamma'} \gamma' = \phi \gamma'$ . This equation is a particular case of equation (1.3) when  $N$  is an interval of  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\xi = \frac{d}{dt}$ , where  $t$  is the global coordinate on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Magnetic curves were intensively studied in the last years by several geometers (including the authors of this article) in different ambient spaces. See for example [8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 18].

REMARK 1.1. The Lorentz equation (1.3) was obtained from a variational principle assuming that the domain is compact and the 2-form  $F$  is exact. Since it has a tensorial character, one can define a magnetic map  $f : (N, h) \rightarrow (M, g)$  without the assumptions  $N$  compact and  $F$  exact (but only closed). Moreover, we will remove also the assumption for  $\xi$  to be divergence free.

Let  $\xi$  be a global vector field on  $N$  and  $F$  be a magnetic field on  $M$  with the associated Lorentz force  $\phi$ . Similarly to magnetic curves, we may also introduce a *strength* (i.e., a real number) in the equation. Hence, we give the following.

DEFINITION 1.2. We say that  $f$  is a *magnetic map* with strength  $q \in \mathbb{R}$  associated to  $\xi$  and  $F$  if the Lorentz equation

$$\tau(f) = q \phi(f_*\xi)$$

is satisfied.

## 2. Vector fields as magnetic maps

In our previous paper [14] we ask when a vector field is a magnetic map. More precisely, we consider a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  of dimension  $n$  and its tangent bundle  $(T(M), g_S)$  equipped with the Sasaki metric. On  $T(M)$  we also define an almost complex structure  $J_S$  by

$$J_S X^H = X^V, \quad J_S X^V = -X^H, \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathfrak{X}(M).$$

It is known that  $(T(M), g_S, J_S)$  is an almost Kählerian manifold [6]. Hence, the Kähler 2-form  $\Omega_S = g_S(J_S \cdot, \cdot)$  may be considered as a magnetic field on  $T(M)$ .

A vector field  $\xi \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  will be thought as a map from  $(M, g)$  to  $(T(M), g_S, J_S)$ . In the book of Dragomir and Perrone [7], the authors write the following formula

$$\tau(\xi) = -\{(\text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet}\xi, \xi)\bullet)^H + (\Delta_g \xi)^V\} \circ \xi.$$

Here  $\Delta_g$  denotes the rough Laplacian on vector fields, defined by

$$\Delta_g X = -\sum_{k=1}^n [\nabla_{e_k} \nabla_{e_k} X - \nabla_{\nabla_{e_k} e_k} X],$$

where  $\{e_k\}_{k=1, \dots, n}$  is an orthonormal frame on  $M$ . We also have

$$J_S(\xi_*\xi) = \xi^V - (\nabla_{\xi}\xi)^H.$$

We state the following.

THEOREM 2.1. [14] *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold and  $(T(M), g_S, J_S)$  its tangent bundle endowed with the usual almost Kählerian structure. Let  $\xi$  be a vector field on  $M$ . Then  $\xi$  is a magnetic map with strength  $q$  associated to  $\xi$  itself and the Kähler magnetic field  $\Omega_S$  if and only if the following conditions hold:*

$$(2.1) \quad \text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet}\xi, \xi)\bullet = q \nabla_{\xi} \xi,$$

$$(2.2) \quad \Delta_g \xi = -q \xi.$$

Consider a Killing vector field  $\xi$  on the Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ . We know that:

LEMMA 2.1. *A Killing vector field  $\xi$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  satisfies the equation  $\nabla_{XY}^2 \xi = -R(\xi, X)Y$ , for all  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .*

We ask now for  $\xi : (M, g) \rightarrow (T(M), g_S, J_S)$  to be a magnetic map. Then  $\xi$  must satisfy (2.2). But  $\Delta_g \xi = -\text{trace}_g \nabla^2 \xi$ . Using the previous lemma, we get

$$\Delta_g \xi = \text{trace}_g R(\xi, \bullet) \bullet.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ric}(\xi, X) &= \text{trace}_g \{Z \mapsto R_{Z\xi} X\} = \sum_{i=1}^n g(e_i, R_{e_i \xi} X) = - \sum_{i=1}^n g(R_{e_i \xi} e_i, X) \\ &= g(\text{trace}_g R(\xi, \bullet) \bullet, X) = -qg(\xi, X), \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathfrak{X}(M). \end{aligned}$$

So, if  $Q$  is the Ricci operator, that is  $g(QX, Y) = \text{Ric}(X, Y)$ , for all  $X, Y$  tangent to  $M$ , then we get that  $Q\xi = -q\xi$ . We give the following.

PROPOSITION 2.1. *If a Killing vector field is a magnetic map with strength  $q$ , then it is an eigenvector of the Ricci operator corresponding to the eigenfunction  $(-q)$ .*

REMARK 2.1. In the special case of Einstein manifolds, the strength  $q$  is related to the scalar curvature, namely  $q = -\frac{\text{scal}}{n}$ .

Suppose that  $M$  is a real space form  $M^n(c)$ , case when the curvature tensor is expressed as  $R_{XYZ} = c(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y)$ , for all  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . We can easily compute  $\text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet} \xi, \xi) \bullet = c(\nabla_{\xi} \xi - \text{div}(\xi))$ . As  $\xi$  is Killing, its divergence is zero and thus, the magnetic equation becomes

$$(2.3) \quad (c - q)\nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0.$$

We obtained the following.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let  $\xi$  be a Killing vector field on a real space form  $M^n(c)$ ,  $n \geq 2$ . If  $\xi$  is a non-harmonic magnetic map with strength  $q$ , then  $q = (1 - n)c$  and  $\xi$  is self parallel, case in which it has constant length.*

PROOF. Note that a real space form  $M^n(c)$  is Einstein and its scalar curvature is  $\text{scal} = cn(n - 1)$ . So, as  $\xi$  is magnetic, cf. Remark 2.1, we must have  $q = (1 - n)c$ . Obviously, equation (2.3) is satisfied if  $q = c$ . In this situation we get that  $M$  is flat and  $q = 0$ , that is  $\xi$  is a harmonic vector field. If  $q \neq c$  then  $\nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0$ . As  $\xi$  is Killing, we have

$$g(\nabla_{\xi} \xi, X) + g(\xi, \nabla_X \xi) = 0, \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathfrak{X}(M).$$

It follows that the length of  $\xi$  is constant. □

In the end of this section we propose the study of the following problem:  
*Study non-harmonic magnetic Killing vector fields on the unit sphere  $\mathbb{S}^n$ .*

### 3. Magnetic vector fields on almost contact metric manifolds

A  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$ -structure on a manifold  $M$  is defined by a field  $\varphi$  of endomorphisms of tangent spaces, a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying

$$\eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \varphi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \varphi\xi = 0, \quad \eta \circ \varphi = 0.$$

If  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta)$  admits a compatible Riemannian metric  $g$ , namely

$$g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad \text{for all } X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M),$$

then  $M$  is said to have an *almost contact metric structure*, and  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is called an *almost contact metric manifold*. It follows that  $\eta(X) = g(\xi, X)$ , for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $\xi$  is unitary.

The fundamental 2-form  $\Omega$  is defined by  $\Omega(X, Y) = g(\varphi X, Y)$ , for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ . Recall that a *contact metric manifold* is an almost contact metric manifold such that  $\Omega = d\eta$ . If in addition the structure is normal, that is the normality tensor field  $N = [\varphi, \varphi] + 2d\eta \otimes \xi$  vanishes, then the manifold  $M$  is called a *Sasakian manifold*. Here  $[\varphi, \varphi]$  denotes the Nijenhuis tensor of  $\varphi$ . Denoting by  $\nabla$  the Levi-Civita connection associated to  $g$ , the Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is characterized by  $(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = -g(X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)X$ , for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . As a consequence, we have  $\nabla_X \xi = \varphi X$ , for all  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . A systematic study of these structures is presented in the two books of Blair [4, 5]. However, we use the sign convention given by Sasaki, see e.g., [12].

On the other hand, a *Kenmotsu manifold* can be defined as a normal almost contact metric manifold such that  $d\eta = 0$  and  $d\Omega = 2\eta \wedge \Omega$ . These manifolds can be characterized using their Levi-Civita connection, by requiring

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = g(\varphi X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\varphi X, \quad \text{for every } X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M).$$

In our previous paper [14], we find some conditions when the Reeb vector field  $\xi$  on a Sasakian space form is magnetic, that is satisfies the condition in Theorem 2.1. We obtain that  $q = -2n$ .

Let us analyze the property of the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  on a Kenmotsu manifold to be magnetic. Recall the following two useful formulas:

$$\nabla_X \xi = X - \eta(X)\xi,$$

$$R(X, \xi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X, \quad \text{for every } X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M).$$

Compute  $\text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet}\xi, \xi) \bullet$ . To do this, consider as usual, a  $\varphi$  adapted orthonormal basis  $\{e_i, \varphi e_i, \xi\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . We have  $\nabla_{e_i} \xi = e_i$ ,  $\nabla_{\varphi e_i} \xi = \varphi e_i$ ,  $\nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet}\xi, \xi) \bullet &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ R(e_i, \xi)e_i + R(\varphi e_i, \xi)\varphi e_i \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ g(e_i, e_i)\xi + g(\varphi e_i, \varphi e_i)\xi \right] = 2n\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the equation (2.1) becomes  $2n\xi = 0$ , which is a contradiction.

As a matter of fact, for the second condition of Theorem 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_g \xi &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \left( \nabla_{e_i} \nabla_{e_i} \xi - \nabla_{\nabla_{e_i} e_i} \xi \right) + \left( \nabla_{\varphi e_i} \nabla_{\varphi e_i} \xi - \nabla_{\nabla_{\varphi e_i} \varphi e_i} \xi \right) \right] \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \eta(\nabla_{e_i} e_i) \xi + \eta(\nabla_{\varphi e_i} \varphi e_i) \xi \right] = 2n\xi.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\xi$  is an eigenvector of the rough Laplacian with corresponding eigenfunction  $q = -2n$ . We conclude with the following.

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *The characteristic vector field of a Kenmotsu manifold is not magnetic.*

Next we would like to make some comments on the same problem in a cosymplectic manifold. Recall that a *cosymplectic manifold* is an almost contact metric manifold for which the three tensor fields  $\varphi$ ,  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  are parallel. Therefore, the first condition in the Theorem 2.1 is automatically satisfied. Since  $\Delta_g \xi = 0$ , the second condition implies  $q = 0$ , that is  $\xi$  is a harmonic map. We conclude with the following.

**PROPOSITION 3.2.** *If the characteristic vector field of a cosymplectic manifold is magnetic, then it is harmonic.*

At this point we propose another problem:

*Study the property of  $\xi$  of being a magnetic map on a generalized Sasakian space form.* See [1].

We end this section with some comments concerning the condition  $\operatorname{div}(\xi) = 0$  used in finding the magnetic equation. Because some readers may think that the divergence free condition for  $\xi$  is too strong or artificial, we mention that this condition is often satisfied. For example, on almost contact metric manifolds, we know the following:

- The characteristic vector field  $\xi$  of a contact metric manifold is divergence free.
- In addition, cosymplectic manifolds have divergence free  $\xi$ .
- However,  $\xi$  is not always divergence free; e.g. on Kenmotsu manifolds, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\operatorname{div} \xi &= \sum_{i=1}^n g(\nabla_{e_i} \xi, e_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n g(\nabla_{\varphi e_i} \xi, \varphi e_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n g(e_i, e_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n g(\varphi e_i, \varphi e_i) = 2n \neq 0.\end{aligned}$$

#### 4. More examples of magnetic maps

**4.1. H-minimal submanifolds.** Let  $N$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Lagrangian submanifold in a Kähler manifold  $M$ . Then  $\zeta := -JH/n$  is a globally defined tangent vector field on  $M$ . Here  $H$  is the mean curvature vector field. In our previous paper [13], we showed that the inclusion map  $\iota : N \rightarrow M$  satisfies  $\tau(\iota) = J\iota_*\zeta$ .

According to Oh [19], a Lagrangian submanifold  $N$  is said to be *Hamiltonian-minimal* (in short  $H$ -minimal) if it is a critical point of the volume functional under compactly supported smooth variations arising from Hamiltonian deformations.

The Euler–Lagrange equation of this variational problem is  $\operatorname{div}(JH) = 0$ , that is  $\zeta$  is divergence free.

This implies that every  $H$ -minimal Lagrangian submanifold  $N$  is magnetic with respect to  $\zeta = -JH/n$  and the Kähler form of  $M$ .

**4.2. L-minimal submanifolds.** In Sasakian geometry, one introduces the notion of  $L$ -minimal immersion as follows:

DEFINITION 4.1. [16] An  $n$ -dimensional Legendrian submanifold  $N$  in a Sasakian manifold  $M$  is said to be *L-minimal* if it is a critical point of the volume functional under compactly supported smooth variations arising from Legendre deformations.

The Euler–Lagrange equation of this variational problem is  $\operatorname{div}(\varphi H) = 0$ .

One can check that every Legendrian submanifold satisfies  $\tau(\iota) = \phi\iota_*\zeta$ , where the vector field  $\zeta$  is defined globally on  $N$  by  $\zeta := -\varphi H/n$ .

Thus every  $L$ -minimal Legendrian submanifold in a Sasakian manifold is magnetic with respect to the divergence free vector field  $\zeta$  and the contact form on  $M$ .

**4.3. Magnetic hypersurfaces in complex space forms.** Let  $(M, g, J)$  be a Kähler manifold of complex dimension  $n$  and let  $f : N \rightarrow (M, g, J)$  be an orientable real hypersurface with unit normal vector field  $\nu$ . Then the Kähler structure  $(g, J)$  induces an almost contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, h)$  on  $N$  as follows. First, define the vector field  $\xi$  by  $f_*\xi = -J\nu$ . Next  $(\varphi, \eta)$  are defined by the formula

$$Jf_*X = f_*\varphi X + \eta(X)\nu$$

for all tangent vector  $X$  on  $N$ . Finally, we set  $h = f^*g$ .

Then the Levi-Civita connections  $\tilde{\nabla}$  of  $M$  and  $\nabla$  of  $N$  are related by the following *Gauss formula* and *Weingarten formula*:

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X f_*Y = f_*\nabla_X Y + g(AX, Y)\nu, \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X \nu = -f_*AX, \quad X \in \mathfrak{X}(N).$$

The endomorphism field  $A$  is called the *shape operator* of  $N$  derived from  $\nu$ . We know that

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = \eta(Y)AX - g(AX, Y)\xi, \quad \nabla_X \xi = \varphi AX.$$

The following result is fundamental (see [7]).

PROPOSITION 4.1. *The structure vector field  $\xi$  is divergence free.*

PROOF. We can compute

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div} \xi &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} g(\nabla_{e_i} \xi, e_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} g(\nabla_{\phi e_i} \xi, \phi e_i) + g(\nabla_\xi \xi, \xi) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} g(\phi A e_i, e_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} g(\phi A \phi e_i, \phi e_i) + g(\phi A \xi, \xi). \end{aligned}$$



We note that  $g(\phi A\xi, \xi) = 0$ . Next we have

$$\langle \phi A\phi e_i, \phi e_i \rangle = -\langle A\phi e_i, \phi^2 e_i \rangle = \langle A\phi e_i, e_i \rangle = \langle \phi e_i, Ae_i \rangle = -\langle e_i, \phi Ae_i \rangle.$$

Thus  $\xi$  is divergence free.  $\square$

The tension field  $\tau(f)$  is given by  $\tau(f) = (2n - 1)H\nu$ . Here  $H$  is the mean curvature function. If  $\Omega = g(J\cdot, \cdot)$  is considered as a magnetic field on  $M$ , then the magnetic equation for the immersion  $f$  with respect to  $\{\xi, \Omega\}$  and strength  $q$  is computed as

$$(2n - 1)H\nu = qJ(f_*\xi) = qJ(-J\nu) = q\nu.$$

Thus  $f$  is magnetic with respect to  $\{\xi, \Omega\}$  if and only if  $q = (2n - 1)H$ .

**PROPOSITION 4.2.** [13] *Let  $f : N \rightarrow (M, g, J)$  be an orientable real hypersurface of constant mean curvature  $H$  with induced almost contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, h)$ . Then  $f$  is a magnetic map with respect to the structure vector field  $\xi$  and the Kähler magnetic field  $\Omega$  with strength  $q = (2n - 1)H$ .*

Now, we add one more example to our previous list of magnetic real hypersurfaces in complex space forms and complex Grassmannian manifolds given in [13], namely magnetic real hypersurfaces in complex quadrics.

**EXAMPLE 4.1.** In [3], Berndt and Suh studied real hypersurfaces in the Grassmannian manifold  $\widetilde{\text{Gr}}_2(\mathbb{R}^{m+2})$  of oriented 2-planes in Euclidean  $(m+2)$ -space. As is well known, the Grassmannian manifold  $\widetilde{\text{Gr}}_2(\mathbb{R}^{m+2})$  is identified with the complex quadric

$$\mathcal{Q}_m = \{[z_1 : z_2 : \cdots : z_{m+2}] \in \mathbb{C}P^{m+1} \mid z_1^2 + z_2^2 + \cdots + z_{m+2}^2 = 0\}$$

in the complex projective  $(m + 1)$ -space.

When we equip the ambient projective space with the Fubini–Study metric of constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4, then  $\mathcal{Q}_m = \text{SO}(m+2)/\text{SO}(2) \times \text{SO}(m)$  is a Hermitian symmetric space of rank 2 and maximal sectional curvature 4 with respect to the induced metric  $g$ . The Ricci tensor is given by  $\text{Ric} = 2mg$ .

Hereafter we assume that  $m \geq 3$ . For  $m = 2k$ , the map

$$[z_1 : z_2 : \cdots : z_{k+1}] \mapsto [z_1 : z_2 : \cdots : z_{k+1} : iz_1 : iz_2 : \cdots : iz_{k+1}]$$

defines a totally geodesic complex immersion of  $\mathbb{C}P^k$  into  $\mathcal{Q}_{2k} \subset \mathbb{C}P^{2k+1}$ .

For  $r \in (0, \pi/2)$ , the tube around  $\mathbb{C}P^k$  is a homogeneous real hypersurface with principal curvatures  $\lambda_1 = 2 \cot(2r)$ ,  $\lambda_2 = 0$ ,  $\lambda_3 = -\tan r$ ,  $\lambda_4 = \cot r$  and multiplicities  $m_1 = 1$ ,  $m_2 = 2$ ,  $m_3 = m_4 = 2k - 2$ .

In case  $m = 2$ , i.e.,  $k = 1$ , we have  $\mathbb{C}P^1 \subset \mathcal{Q}_2 = \mathbb{S}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^2$ . The principal curvatures of a tube around  $\mathbb{C}P^1$  are 0 and  $2 \cot(2r)$ .

The inclusion map of a tube  $M_r$  of radius  $r$  around  $\mathbb{C}P^k$  into  $\mathcal{Q}_{2k}$  is a magnetic immersion with respect to the magnetic field  $F = \Omega$  with strength

$$q = m_1\lambda_1 + m_2\lambda_2 + m_3\lambda_3 + m_4\lambda_4 = 2(2k - 1) \cot 2r.$$

**4.4. Harmonic unit vector fields as magnetic maps.** A unit vector field  $\xi$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is said to be a *harmonic unit vector field* if it is a critical point of the energy functional over the space  $\mathfrak{X}_1(M)$  of all smooth unit vector fields on  $M$ . The Euler-Lagrange equation of this variational problem is  $\Delta_g \xi = |\xi|^2 \xi$ . Moreover it is known that  $\xi$  is a harmonic map from  $(M, g)$  into the unit tangent sphere bundle  $U(M)$  with the metric induced from  $g_S$  if and only if  $\xi$  is a harmonic unit vector field and satisfies  $\text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet} \xi, \xi) \bullet = 0$  (see [7]).

Comparing the harmonic map equation for  $\xi : M \rightarrow U(M)$  and magnetic equation for  $\xi : M \rightarrow T(M)$  we have

PROPOSITION 4.3. *Let  $\xi$  be a unit vector field on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ . Assume that  $\xi$  satisfies*

- $\xi$  is divergence free, (optional condition)
- $\nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0$ ,
- $|\nabla \xi|$  is constant
- $\xi : M \rightarrow U(M)$  is a harmonic map.

Then  $\xi$  is a magnetic map into  $T(M)$  with strength  $q = -|\nabla \xi|^2$ .

**4.5. Magnetic vector fields on real hypersurfaces.** An oriented real hypersurface  $N$  of a Kähler manifold  $M$  is said to be *Hopf* if the structure vector field  $\xi$  introduced in subsection 4.3 is a principal vector field. In that case, if  $A\xi = \alpha\xi$ , then  $\alpha$  is called *the Hopf principal curvature* on  $N$ . It is easy to check that  $\xi$  satisfies  $\nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0$  if and only if  $N$  is Hopf.

The following results are direct consequences of [20, Theorem 3.2] due to Perone.

PROPOSITION 4.4. *Let  $N \subset M$  be an oriented Hopf hypersurface of a Kähler-Einstein manifold. Then the structure vector field  $\xi$  satisfies:*

- (1)  $\xi$  is a harmonic unit vector field if and only if  $\text{grad } H = \xi(H)\xi$ , where  $H$  is the mean curvature function.
- (2) If the principal curvature  $\alpha$  corresponding to  $\xi$  is constant along the trajectories of  $\xi$  then  $\xi(H) = 0$ .

COROLLARY 4.1. *Let  $N \subset M$  be an oriented Hopf hypersurface of a Kähler-Einstein manifold satisfying  $\xi(\alpha) = 0$ . Then  $\xi$  is a harmonic map into  $U(N)$  if and only if the mean curvature is constant.*

Complex space forms are typical examples of Kähler-Einstein manifolds.

THEOREM 4.1. *Let  $N$  be an oriented Hopf hypersurface with constant principal curvatures in a complex space form  $M$ . Then the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  of  $N$  is a magnetic map with strength  $q = -|A|^2 + \alpha^2$ .*

PROOF. Let  $N$  be an oriented Hopf hypersurface with constant principal curvatures in a complex space form  $M$ . Then  $\xi$  satisfies

$$\Delta_g \xi = |\nabla \xi|^2 \xi, \quad \text{trace}_g R(\nabla_{\bullet} \xi, \xi) \bullet = 0, \quad \nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0.$$

Since all the principal curvatures are constant and  $\nabla \xi = \varphi A$ , we have  $|\nabla \xi|^2 = |A|^2 - \alpha^2$ . Hence  $\xi$  is a magnetic map with strength  $q = -|A|^2 + \alpha^2$ .  $\square$

As is well known, a complete and simply connected complex space form is a *complex projective space*  $\mathbb{C}P^n(c)$ , a *complex Euclidean space*  $\mathbb{C}^n$  or a *complex hyperbolic space*  $\mathbb{C}H^n(c)$ , according as  $c > 0$ ,  $c = 0$  or  $c < 0$ . Hopf hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{C}P^n(c)$  and  $\mathbb{C}H^n(c)$  are classified by Kimura [17] and Berndt [2], respectively.

Of course, one can check that characteristic vector fields of all homogeneous Hopf real hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{C}P^n(c)$  and  $\mathbb{C}H^n(c)$  are magnetic maps into tangent bundles. However, we exhibit here only few examples.

EXAMPLE 4.2 (Type A hypersurfaces). Let us consider

$$\hat{M}_k(r) := \mathbb{S}^{2k+1}(\cos r) \times \mathbb{S}^{2n-1-2k}(\sin r) \subset \mathbb{S}^{2n+1}, \quad 0 \leq k < n, \quad 0 < r < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Then the Hopf projection image  $M_k(r)$  of  $\hat{M}_k(r)$  is a Hopf hypersurface in the complex projective space  $\mathbb{C}P^n(4)$  of constant holomorphic sectional curvature 4. These hypersurfaces  $M_k(r)$  are referred as to type A hypersurfaces. Note that type A hypersurfaces are quasi-Sasakian. The type A hypersurface  $M_k(r)$  has constant principal curvatures  $\lambda_1 = -\tan r$ ,  $\lambda_2 = \cot r$ ,  $\alpha = 2 \cot(2r)$ ,  $0 < r < \frac{\pi}{2}$  with multiplicities  $m_1 = 2k$ ,  $m_2 = 2(n - k - 1)$ ,  $m_\alpha = 1$ . Then the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  is a magnetic map into  $T(M)$  with strength

$$q = -(m_1\lambda_1^2 + m_2\lambda_2^2) = -2\{k \tan^2 r + (n - k - 1) \cot^2 r\} < 0.$$

EXAMPLE 4.3 (Horospheres). Let  $M$  be a horosphere in the complex hyperbolic  $n$ -space  $\mathbb{C}H^n(-4)$ . It is known that the horosphere in  $\mathbb{C}H^n(-4)$  is a Sasakian space form of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-3$ . The horosphere has constant principal curvatures  $\lambda = 1$  with multiplicity  $2n - 2$  and  $\alpha = 2$  with multiplicity 1. Then the strength is  $q = -2(n - 1)$ . This is consistent with Section 2.

EXAMPLE 4.4 (Type B hypersurfaces). Let  $M$  be a tube over totally real and totally geodesic real hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{H}^n$  in the complex hyperbolic  $n$ -space  $\mathbb{C}H^n(-4)$  of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-4$ . Then  $M$  is a Hopf hypersurface with constant principal curvatures having the form

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{r} \coth u, \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{r} \tanh u, \quad \alpha = \frac{2}{r} \tanh(2u)$$

with multiplicities  $m_1 = m_2 = n - 1$ ,  $m_\alpha = 1$ . Hence the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  is a magnetic map into  $T(M)$  with strength

$$q = -(m_1\lambda_1^2 + m_2\lambda_2^2) = -\frac{n-1}{r^2} \{\coth^2 u + \tanh^2 u\} < 0.$$

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