

# MINIMAL SUBMANIFOLDS WITH $M$ -INDEX 2 IN RIEMANNIAN MANIFOLDS OF CONSTANT CURVATURE

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For a submanifold  $M$  in a Riemannian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , the minimal index ( $M$ -index) at a point of  $M$  is defined by the dimension of the linear space of all 2nd fundamental forms with vanishing trace. The geodesic codimension of  $M$  in  $\bar{M}$  is defined by the minimum of codimensions of  $M$  in totally geodesic submanifolds of  $\bar{M}$  containing  $M$ .

It is clear in general that for  $M$  in  $\bar{M}$

$$M\text{-index} \leq \text{geodesic codimension}.$$

In [7], the author investigated minimal submanifolds with  $M$ -index 2 in Riemannian manifolds of constant curvature and gave some typical examples of such submanifolds with geodesic codimension 3 in the space forms which is quite analogous to the case of helicoids in  $E^3$  when  $\bar{M}$  is Euclidean. In the present paper, he will give some examples of such submanifolds with geodesic codimension 4 in the space forms. In the previous case, the base surface (analogous to the helix for a helicoid) must be locally flat, but in the present case it must be of positive constant curvature.

We will use the notations in [7].

**1. Preliminaries.** Let  $\bar{M} = \bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  be a Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n+\nu$  and of constant curvature  $\bar{c}$  and  $M = M^n$  be an  $n$ -dimensional submanifold in  $\bar{M}$ . Let  $\bar{\omega}_A$ ,  $\bar{\omega}_{AB} = -\bar{\omega}_{BA}$ ,  $A, B = 1, 2, \dots, n+\nu$ , be the basic and connection forms of  $\bar{M}$  on the orthonormal frame bundle  $F(\bar{M})$  which satisfy the structure equations

$$(1.1) \quad d\bar{\omega}_A = \sum_B \bar{\omega}_{AB} \wedge \bar{\omega}_B, \quad d\bar{\omega}_{AB} = \sum_C \bar{\omega}_{AC} \wedge \bar{\omega}_{CB} - \bar{c} \bar{\omega}_A \wedge \bar{\omega}_B.$$

Let  $B$  be the subbundle of  $F(\bar{M})$  over  $M$  such that  $b = (x, e_1, \dots, e_n, \dots, e_{n+\nu}) \in F(\bar{M})$  and  $(x, e_1, \dots, e_n) \in F(M)$ , where  $F(M)$  is the orthonormal frame bundle of  $M$  with the induced Riemannian metric from  $\bar{M}$ , then deleting the bars of  $\bar{\omega}_A$ ,  $\bar{\omega}_{AB}$  on  $B$ , we have

$$(1.2) \quad \omega_\alpha = 0, \quad \omega_{i\alpha} = \sum_j A_{\alpha ij} \omega_j, \quad A_{\alpha ij} = A_{\alpha ji} \quad \alpha = n+1, \dots, n+\nu; \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

For any point  $x \in M$ , let  $N_x$  be the normal space to  $M_x = T_x M$  in  $\bar{M}_x = T_x \bar{M}$ . For any  $b \in B$ , let  $\varphi_b$  be a linear mapping from  $N_x$  into the set of all symmetric matrices of order  $n$  defined by

$$\varphi_b \left( \sum_{\alpha} v_{\alpha} e_{\alpha} \right) = \sum_{\alpha} v_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}, \quad A_{\alpha} = (A_{\alpha ij}).$$

Now, we suppose that  $M$  is minimal in  $\bar{M}$  and of  $M$ -index 2 at each point. Then,  $N_x$  is decomposed as

$$N_x = N'_x + O_x, \quad N'_x \perp O_x,$$

where  $O_x = \varphi_b^{-1}(0)$  and  $\dim N'_x = 2$ , which does not depend on the choice of  $b$  over  $x$  and is smooth with respect to  $x$ . Let  $B_1$  be the set of  $b$  such that  $e_{n+1}, e_{n+2} \in N'_x$ . By means of Lemma 1 in [7], on  $B_1$  we have

$$\omega_{n+1, \beta} \equiv \omega_{n+2, \beta} \equiv 0 \pmod{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n} \quad (\beta > n+2).$$

Then, for any  $v \in N'_x$ , we can define a linear mapping  $\psi_v: M_x \rightarrow O_x$  by

$$(1.3) \quad \psi_v(X) = \sum_{\beta > n+2} \langle v, e_{n+1} \omega_{n+1, \beta}(X) + e_{n+2} \omega_{n+2, \beta}(X) \rangle e_{\beta}.$$

The mapping  $\psi: M_x \times N'_x \rightarrow O_x$ ,  $\psi(X, v) = \psi_v(X)$ , may be called the 1st *torsion operator* of  $M$  in  $\bar{M}$ . According to Lemmas 1, 2 and Theorem 1 in [7], we have

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $M^n$  be minimal and of  $M$ -index 2 everywhere in  $\bar{M}^{n+v}$  of constant curvature. Then we have the following:*

- (i)  $M^n$  is of geodesic codimension 2 if and only if  $\psi \equiv 0$ .
- (ii) If  $\psi \neq 0$  everywhere, then  $\dim \mathfrak{I}_x = n-2$ , where  $\mathfrak{I}_x$  is the space of relative nullity of  $M^n$  in  $\bar{M}^{n+v}$  at  $x$ ,  $\psi_v(\mathfrak{I}_x) = 0$  for any  $v \in N'_x$  and  $\psi_v, v \neq 0$ , has a common image  $\psi_v(M_x)$  whose dimension  $\leq 2$ .

When  $\psi \neq 0$  at  $x \in M$ , we decompose  $M_x$  as

$$M_x = \mathfrak{B}_x + \mathfrak{I}_x, \quad \mathfrak{B}_x \perp \mathfrak{I}_x.$$

We can choose frames  $b \in B_1$  such that  $e_1, e_2 \in \mathfrak{B}_x, e_3, \dots, e_n \in \mathfrak{I}_x$  and

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{cases} \omega_{1, n+1} = \lambda \omega_1, \omega_{2, n+1} = -\lambda \omega_2, \omega_{3, n+1} = \dots = \omega_{n, n+1} = 0, \\ \omega_{1, n+2} = \mu \omega_2, \omega_{2, n+2} = \mu \omega_1, \omega_{3, n+2} = \dots = \omega_{n, n+2} = 0, \\ \omega_{i\beta} = 0, i = 1, \dots, n; \beta > n+2, \lambda \neq 0, \mu \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

and then (1.3) can be written as

$$(1.5) \quad \psi_v(X) = \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda} \langle v, e_{n+1} \rangle \omega_1(X) - \frac{1}{\mu} \langle v, e_{n+2} \rangle \omega_2(X) \right\} F \\ + \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda} \langle v, e_{n+1} \rangle \omega_2(X) + \frac{1}{\mu} \langle v, e_{n+2} \rangle \omega_1(X) \right\} G,$$

where  $F = \sum_{\gamma > n+2} f_\gamma e_\gamma$  and  $G = \sum_{\gamma > n+2} g_\gamma e_\gamma$  and

$$(1.6) \quad \lambda \omega_{n+1, \gamma} + i \mu \omega_{n+2, \gamma} = (f_\gamma + i g_\gamma)(\omega_1 - i \omega_2), \quad \gamma > n+2.$$

$\psi \neq 0$  implies  $F \neq 0$  or  $G \neq 0$ .

Now, supposing  $\psi \neq 0$  everywhere, we denote the set of  $b \in B_1$  satisfying (1.4) by  $B_2$ . On  $B_2$ , we have

$$(1.7) \quad \omega_{1r} + i \omega_{2r} = (p_r + i q_r)(\omega_1 + i \omega_2), \quad 2 < r \leq n.$$

The vector fields  $P = \sum_{r=3}^n p_r e_r$  and  $Q = \sum_{r=3}^n q_r e_r$  of  $M$  are called the *principal* and *subprincipal asymptotic vector fields*, respectively. According to Lemmas 3, 4 and Theorem 2 in [7], we have

**THEOREM B.** *Let  $M^n$  be minimal and of  $M$ -index 2 everywhere in  $\bar{M}^{n+v}$  of constant curvature  $\bar{c}$ . Supposing the 1st torsion operator  $\psi \neq 0$  everywhere, we have:*

(1) *The distribution  $\mathcal{L} = \{\mathcal{L}_x, x \in M^n\}$  is completely integrable and its integral submanifolds are totally geodesic in  $\bar{M}^{n+v}$ .*

(2) *The distribution  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathcal{B}_x, x \in M^n\}$  is completely integrable if and only if  $Q \equiv 0$ .*

(3) *When  $Q \equiv 0$ , the integral surfaces of  $\mathcal{B}$  are totally umbilic in  $M^n$ .*

(4) *When  $P \neq 0$  and  $Q \equiv 0$ , the integral curves of the vector field  $P$  are geodesics in  $\bar{M}^{n+v}$ .*

Under the conditions of Theorem B and  $Q \equiv 0$ , on  $B_2$  we have

$$(1.8) \quad \{d \log \lambda - \langle P, dx \rangle - i(2\omega_{12} - \sigma \hat{\omega}_1)\} \wedge (\omega_1 + i \omega_2) = 0,$$

$$(1.9) \quad \{d\sigma + i(1 - \sigma^2)\hat{\omega}_1\} \wedge (\omega_1 + i \omega_2) = 0,$$

$$(1.10) \quad d\omega_{12} = -\{\|P\|^2 + \bar{c} - \lambda^2 - \mu^2\}\omega_1 \wedge \omega_2,$$

$$(1.11) \quad d\hat{\omega}_1 = -\frac{1}{\lambda\mu} \{2\lambda^2\mu^2 - \|F\|^2 - \|G\|^2\} \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2,$$

where  $\sigma = \mu/\lambda$ ,  $\hat{\omega}_1 = \omega_{n+1, n+2}$ .  $\hat{\omega}_1$  is the connection form of the vector bundle  $N' = \cup N'_x$ ,  $x \in M^n$ , and  $\langle P, dx \rangle = \sum_{r=3}^n \langle P, e_r \rangle \omega_r$ . In this case, we denote the set of frames  $b \in B_2$  such that  $P = p e_3$ ,  $p > 0$ , by  $B_3$ . On  $B_3$  we have

$$(1.12) \quad \omega_{a3} = p\omega_a, \omega_{at} = 0, p\omega_{3t} = \bar{c}\omega_t, \quad a = 1, 2; \quad 3 < t \leq n.$$

According to Lemmas 7, 8, 9, 10 and Theorem 3 in [7], we have

**THEOREM C.** *Let  $M^n (n \geq 3)$  be a maximal minimal submanifold in an  $(n+\nu)$ -dimensional space form  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  (of constant curvature  $\bar{c}$ ) which is of  $M$ -index 2 and whose torsion operator  $\psi \neq 0$ , principal asymptotic vector field  $P \neq 0$  everywhere and subprincipal asymptotic vector field  $Q \equiv 0$ , then it is a locus of  $(n-2)$ -dimensional totally geodesic subspaces  $L^{n-2}(y)$  in  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  through points  $y$  of a base surface  $W^2$  lying in a Riemannian hypersphere in  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  with center  $z_0$  such that*

(i)  *$L^{n-2}(y)$  intersects orthogonally with  $W^2$  at  $y$  and contains the geodesic radius from  $z_0$  to  $y$ .*

(ii) *The  $(n-3)$ -dimensional tangent spaces to the intersection of  $L^{n-2}(y)$  and the hypersphere at  $y$  are parallel along  $W^2$  in  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$ .*

$W^2$  in this theorem is an integral surface of the distribution  $\mathfrak{B}$  and the geodesic radius from  $z_0$  to  $y$  is the integral curve of  $P$ .

Denoting the length along geodesic rays starting at  $z_0$  measured from  $z_0$  by  $v$ , we have

$$(1.13) \quad \omega_3 = -dv$$

and

$$(1.14) \quad p = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\bar{c}} \cot \sqrt{\bar{c}} v & (\bar{c} > 0), \\ 1/v & (\bar{c} = 0), \\ \sqrt{-\bar{c}} \coth \sqrt{-\bar{c}} v & (\bar{c} < 0). \end{cases}$$

**2. The 2nd torsion operator  $\psi'$ .** In the following, we shall investigate  $M^n$  in  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  as in Theorem C and use the notations in §1.

If the rank of  $\psi$  is 1 everywhere,  $M^n$  is of geodesic codimension 3 by Theorem 4 in [7].

Now, we assume that the rank of  $\psi$  is 2 everywhere, that is  $F \wedge G \neq 0$ . At any point  $x \in M^n$ , we denote the 2-dimensional normal space spanned by  $F$  and  $G$  by  $N''_x$  and put  $N'' = \cup N''_x$ ,  $x \in M^n$ ,  $N''$  is a 2-dimensional normal vector bundle over  $M^n$  as  $N'$ . We can orthogonally decompose  $N_x$  as

$$(2.1) \quad N_x = N'_x + N''_x + O'_x, \quad O_x = N''_x + O'_x, \quad N''_x \perp O'_x.$$

By the above assumption for  $\psi$ , we denote the set of frames  $b \in B_3$  such that  $e_{n+3}, e_{n+4} \in N''_x$  by  $B_4$ . On  $B_4$ , we have

$$(2.2) \quad f_\gamma = g_\gamma = 0, \quad \gamma > n+4, \text{ and } f_{n+3} g_{n+4} - f_{n+4} g_{n+3} \neq 0.$$

Hence, from (1.6), we have

$$(2.3) \quad \omega_{n+1,\gamma} = \omega_{n+2,\gamma} = 0, \quad \gamma > n+4,$$

from which we get

$$\begin{aligned} d\omega_{n+1,\gamma} &= \omega_{n+1,n+3} \wedge \omega_{n+3,\gamma} + \omega_{n+1,n+4} \wedge \omega_{n+4,\gamma} = 0, \\ d\omega_{n+2,\gamma} &= \omega_{n+2,n+3} \wedge \omega_{n+3,\gamma} + \omega_{n+2,n+4} \wedge \omega_{n+4,\gamma} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using (1.6) and (2.2), we have

$$\{(f_{n+3} + ig_{n+3})\omega_{n+3,\gamma} + (f_{n+4} + ig_{n+4})\omega_{n+4,\gamma}\} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) = 0,$$

and hence

$$(2.4) \quad \omega_{n+3,\gamma} \equiv \omega_{n+4,\gamma} \equiv 0 \pmod{\omega_1, \omega_2}, \quad \gamma > n+4.$$

By virtue of (2.4), for any  $v \in N''_x$ , we can define a linear mapping  $\psi'_v: M_x \rightarrow O'_x$  by

$$(2.5) \quad \psi'_v(X) = \sum_{\gamma > n+4} \langle v, e_{n+3}\omega_{n+3,\gamma}(X) + e_{n+4}\omega_{n+4,\gamma}(X) \rangle e_\gamma.$$

The mapping  $\psi': M_x \times N''_x \rightarrow O'_x$ ,  $\psi'(X, v) = \psi'_v(X)$ , may be called *the 2nd torsion operator* of  $M$  in  $\bar{M}$ . Clearly  $\psi'$  does not depend on the choice of  $b$  over  $x$ .

LEMMA 1.  $\psi'_v$ ,  $v \neq 0$ , has the common image.

PROOF. By means of the above argument, we can put

$$(f_{n+3} + i g_{n+3})\omega_{n+3,\gamma} + (f_{n+4} + i g_{n+4})\omega_{n+4,\gamma} = (f'_\gamma + i g'_\gamma)(\omega_1 - i\omega_2), \quad \gamma > n+4.$$

Hence we have

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{cases} \omega_{n+3,\gamma} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \{ (g_{n+4}\omega_1 + f_{n+4}\omega_2)f'_\gamma - (f_{n+4}\omega_1 - g_{n+4}\omega_2)g'_\gamma \}, \\ \omega_{n+4,\gamma} = \frac{1}{\Delta} \{ - (g_{n+3}\omega_1 + f_{n+3}\omega_2)f'_\gamma + (f_{n+3}\omega_1 - g_{n+3}\omega_2)g'_\gamma \} \end{cases}$$

where  $\Delta = f_{n+3}g_{n+4} - f_{n+4}g_{n+3}$ . Putting  $F' = \sum_{\gamma > n+4} f'_\gamma e_\gamma$  and  $G' = \sum_{\gamma > n+4} g'_\gamma e_\gamma$ , we have

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi'_v(X) &= \frac{1}{\Delta} \{ v_1(g_{n+4}X_1 + f_{n+4}X_2) - v_2(g_{n+3}X_1 + f_{n+3}X_2) \} F' \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Delta} \{ -v_1(f_{n+4}X_1 - g_{n+4}X_2) + v_2(f_{n+3}X_1 - g_{n+3}X_2) \} G' \end{aligned}$$

where  $v = v_1 e_{n+3} + v_2 e_{n+4}$  and  $X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i e_i$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} &(g_{n+4}X_1 + f_{n+4}X_2)(f_{n+3}X_1 - g_{n+3}X_2) - (g_{n+3}X_1 + f_{n+3}X_2)(f_{n+4}X_1 - g_{n+4}X_2) \\ &= \Delta(X_1^2 + X_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\Delta \neq 0$ , the image of  $\psi'_v$ ,  $v \neq 0$ , is the space spanned by  $F'$  and  $G'$ . q.e.d.

By the lemma, we may say the rank of the 2nd torsion operator  $\psi'$  as the common rank of  $\psi'_v$ ,  $v \neq 0$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $M^n$  ( $n \geq 3$ ) be a minimal submanifold in  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  of constant curvature which is of  $M$ -index 2 everywhere and  $Q \equiv 0$  and the rank of  $\psi \equiv 2$ . Then  $M^n$  is of geodesic codimension 4 if and only if the rank of  $\psi' \equiv 0$ .*

**PROOF.** The necessity is trivial.

Let us suppose that the rank of  $\psi' \equiv 0$ . This is equivalent to  $F' \equiv G' \equiv 0$ . Hence, by (2.6), we have

$$\omega_{n+3,\gamma} = \omega_{n+4,\gamma} = 0, \quad \gamma > n+4.$$

Combining these with (2.3) and (1.4), we see that there exists an  $(n+4)$ -dimensional totally geodesic submanifold in  $\bar{M}^{n+\nu}$  containing  $M^n$  by means of the structure equations (1.1). q. e. d.

By this theorem, if we consider the case  $\psi' \equiv 0$ , we may put  $\nu = 4$  from the local point of view.

**3.  $M^n$  in  $\overline{M}^{n+4}$ .** In the following, we suppose  $\nu = 4$ . On  $B_4$ , putting

$$(3.1) \quad \Phi_\gamma = \frac{1}{\lambda} (f_\gamma + ig_\gamma), \quad \gamma > n+2,$$

(2.2) implies that

$$(3.2) \quad \Phi_{n+3} \neq 0, \Phi_{n+4} \neq 0, \Phi = \Phi_{n+4}/\Phi_{n+3} \neq \text{real}.$$

From (1.6), we have

$$(3.3) \quad \omega_{n+1,\gamma} + i\sigma\omega_{n+2,\gamma} = \Phi_\gamma(\omega_1 - i\omega_2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} d\omega_{n+1,\gamma} + id\sigma \wedge \omega_{n+2,\gamma} + i\sigma d\omega_{n+2,\gamma} &= d\Phi_\gamma \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) \\ &+ \Phi_\gamma(\omega_{12} \wedge \omega_2 + \omega_{13} \wedge \omega_3 + i\omega_{12} \wedge \omega_1 - i\omega_{23} \wedge \omega_3) \end{aligned}$$

by (1.12). Putting

$$(3.4) \quad \omega_{n+3,n+4} = \hat{\omega}_2,$$

the above equation can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\omega}_1 \wedge \omega_{n+2,\gamma} + \sum_{\delta > n+2} \omega_{n+1,\delta} \wedge \omega_{\delta\gamma} + id\sigma \wedge \omega_{n+2,\gamma} \\ + i\sigma \left\{ -\hat{\omega}_1 \wedge \omega_{n+1,\gamma} + \sum_{\delta > n+2} \omega_{n+2,\delta} \wedge \omega_{\delta\gamma} \right\} \\ = d\Phi_\gamma \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) + \Phi_\gamma \{ i\omega_{12} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) - p\omega_3 \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) \} \end{aligned}$$

and using (3.3) this equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (3.5) \quad i\{d\sigma - i(1 - \sigma^2)\hat{\omega}_1\} \wedge \omega_{n+2,\gamma} \\ = \{d\Phi_\gamma + \Phi_\gamma(i(\omega_{12} + \sigma\hat{\omega}_1) + p\omega_3) + \sum_{\delta > n+2} \Phi_\delta \omega_{\delta\gamma}\} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2). \end{aligned}$$

For simplicity, we put  $\Phi_{n+3} = \Phi_1$ ,  $\Phi_{n+4} = \Phi_2$ . Then (3.5) are two equations as follows :

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\Phi_1} i \{ d\sigma - i(1 - \sigma^2) \} \hat{\omega}_1 \wedge \omega_{n+2, n+3} \\
& = \{ d \log \Phi_1 + i(\omega_{12} + \sigma \hat{\omega}_1) + p dv - \Phi \hat{\omega}_2 \} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2), \\
& \frac{1}{\Phi_2} i \{ d\sigma - i(1 - \sigma^2) \hat{\omega}_1 \} \wedge \omega_{n+2, n+4} \\
& = \left\{ d \log \Phi_2 + i(\omega_{12} + \sigma \hat{\omega}_1) + p dv + \frac{1}{\Phi} \hat{\omega}_2 \right\} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2).
\end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 2. *The curvature  $d\hat{\omega}_2$  of  $N''$  is not zero everywhere.*

PROOF. From (3.3) we have easily

$$\begin{aligned}
\omega_{n+1, n+3} &= \frac{1}{\lambda} (f_{n+3} \omega_1 + g_{n+3} \omega_2), \\
\omega_{n+2, n+3} &= \frac{1}{\lambda \sigma} (g_{n+3} \omega_1 - f_{n+3} \omega_2), \\
\omega_{n+1, n+4} &= \frac{1}{\lambda} (f_{n+4} \omega_1 + g_{n+4} \omega_2), \\
\omega_{n+2, n+4} &= \frac{1}{\lambda \sigma} (g_{n+4} \omega_1 - f_{n+4} \omega_2).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have the curvature form of the bundle  $N''$  given by

$$(3.6) \quad d\hat{\omega}_2 = \omega_{n+3, n+1} \wedge \omega_{n+1, n+4} + \omega_{n+3, n+2} \wedge \omega_{n+2, n+4} = -\frac{\Delta}{\lambda^2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right) \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2.$$

Since  $\Delta \neq 0$  by (2.2),  $d\hat{\omega}_2 \neq 0$  everywhere.

q. e. d.

COROLLARY. *The set of points where  $\hat{\omega}_2 = 0$  is non dense in  $M^n$ .*

THEOREM 2. *Let  $M^n$  be a submanifold in  $\bar{M}^{n+4}$  as in Theorem 1. Assuming the following conditions:*

( $\alpha$ )  $\hat{\omega}_1 \neq 0$ ,  $\hat{\omega}_2 \neq 0$  and  $\sigma$  and  $\Phi$  are constant on  $W^2$ ,

( $\beta$ )  $W^2$  is of constant curvature  $c$ ,

where  $W^2$  is an integral surface of the distribution  $\mathfrak{B}$ , we have the following



for  $W^2$ :

- (i)  $\sigma = 1$  or  $-1$  and  $\Phi = i$  or  $-i$ ,
- (ii)  $\langle F, G \rangle = 0$ ,
- (iii)  $c > 0$ .

PROOF. Since  $\sigma$  is constant on  $W^2$ , we get from (1.9)

$$(1 - \sigma^2)\hat{\omega}_1 \wedge (\omega_1 + i\omega_2) = 0,$$

hence

$$(1 - \sigma^2)\hat{\omega}_1 = 0 \quad \text{on } W^2.$$

Since  $\hat{\omega}_1 \neq 0$  by  $(\alpha)$ , it must be  $\sigma = 1$  or  $-1$ .

Then, from (3.5) and  $\sigma^2 = 1$ , we have the relations

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \{d\log \Phi_1 + i(\omega_{12} + \sigma\hat{\omega}_1) + p dv - \Phi\omega_2\} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) &= 0, \\ \left\{d\log \Phi_2 + i(\omega_{12} + \sigma\hat{\omega}_1) + p dv + \frac{1}{\Phi}\hat{\omega}_2\right\} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

from which

$$\left\{d\log \Phi + \left(\Phi + \frac{1}{\Phi}\right)\hat{\omega}_2\right\} \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) = 0.$$

Since  $\Phi$  is constant on  $W^2$  by  $(\alpha)$ , we have

$$\left(\Phi + \frac{1}{\Phi}\right)\hat{\omega}_2 \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) = 0,$$

hence

$$\left(\Phi + \frac{1}{\Phi}\right)\hat{\omega}_2 = 0.$$

Since  $\hat{\omega}_2 \neq 0$  on  $W^2$ , it must be  $\Phi = i$  or  $-i$ , from which we obtain easily  $\langle F, G \rangle = 0$ .

Next, from  $(\beta)$ , we may put

$$d\omega_{12} = -c \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2 \quad \text{on } W^2,$$

hence from (1.10) we have

$$p^2 + \bar{c} - \lambda^2 - \mu^2 = c.$$

Using  $\sigma^2 = 1$ , we have

$$(3.8) \quad 2\lambda^2 = p^2 + \bar{c} - c \text{ on } W^2,$$

which implies that  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are constant on  $W^2$ , since by means of Theorem C and (1.14),  $p$  is constant on  $W^2$ . Hence (1.8) implies

$$(3.9) \quad \hat{\omega}_1 = 2\sigma\omega_{12} \quad \text{on } W^2.$$

Making use of this and (1.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2c &= \frac{1}{\lambda^2} (2\lambda^4 - \|F\|^2 - \|G\|^2) \\ &= 2\lambda^2 - |\Phi_1|^2 - |\Phi_2|^2 = 2(\lambda^2 - |\Phi_1|^2), \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$(3.10) \quad |\Phi_1|^2 = \lambda^2 - c.$$

This relation shows that  $\Phi_1$  is constant on  $W^2$ . On the other hand, from (3.7), (3.9) we have

$$i(3\omega_{12} + d\theta_1 + i\Phi\hat{\omega}_2) \wedge (\omega_1 - i\omega_2) = 0,$$

where  $\theta_1$  is the argument of the function  $\Phi_1$ . Hence we have

$$(3.11) \quad \hat{\omega}_2 = -i\Phi(3\omega_{12} + d\theta_1) \quad \text{on } W^2.$$

From (3.6) and (3.11), we have

$$d\hat{\omega}_2 = -3i\Phi d\omega_{12} = 3ic \Phi \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2 = -\frac{2}{\lambda^2} \Delta \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2,$$

hence

$$3ic\Phi = -\frac{2}{\lambda^2} (f_{n+3}g_{n+4} - f_{n+4}g_{n+3}),$$

that is

$$(3.12) \quad 3c = 2|\Phi_1|^2 \quad \text{on } W^2.$$

This relation shows that  $c > 0$ .

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By (3.10) and (3.12) we have

$$(3.13) \quad 2\lambda^2 = 5c, \quad |\Phi_1|^2 = \frac{3}{2}c \quad \text{on } W^2.$$

**4. Frenet formula of  $W^2$  under  $(\alpha)$  and  $(\beta)$ .** In this section, we shall determine the Frenet formula of  $W^2$  in terms of an isothermal coordinate, when the conditions  $(\alpha)$  and  $(\beta)$  in Theorem 2 are satisfied.

By means of (ii) in Theorem 2, we denote the set of frames  $b$  over  $W^2$  such that

$$(4.1) \quad F = fe_{n+3}, \quad G = ge_{n+4}, \quad f > 0, \quad g > 0$$

by  $B_s$ .

Without loss of generality, we may put

$$c = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma = 1.$$

Since  $\Phi_1 = f/\lambda$  and  $\Phi_2 = ig/\lambda$  on  $B_s$ , we have

$$(4.2) \quad \lambda = \mu = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}, \quad f = g = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{2} \quad \text{on } W^2$$

by (3.13). Furthermore, from (3.9) and (3.11) we have

$$(4.3) \quad \hat{\omega}_1 = 2\omega_{12}, \quad \hat{\omega}_2 = 3\omega_{12}$$

and from (3.3)

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \omega_{n+1, n+3} &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\omega_1, & \omega_{n+1, n+4} &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\omega_2, \\ \omega_{n+2, n+3} &= -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\omega_2, & \omega_{n+2, n+4} &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\omega_1. \end{aligned}$$

(3. 8) becomes

$$(4. 5) \quad p^2 + \bar{c} = 6.$$

Now, we figure the Frenet formula of  $W^2$ . First of all we have

$$(4. 6) \quad dx = e_1\omega_1 + e_2\omega_2.$$

By means of (1.4), (1.12) and (4.2), we have easily

$$(4. 7) \quad \bar{D}(e_1 + ie_2) = -i(e_1 + ie_2)\omega_{12} + pe_3(\omega_1 + i\omega_2) + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}(e_{n+1} + ie_{n+2})(\omega_1 - i\omega_2)$$

$$(4. 8) \quad \bar{D}e_3 = -p(e_1\omega_1 + e_2\omega_2),$$

where  $\bar{D}$  denotes the covariant differential operator in  $\bar{M}^{n+4}$ . Analogously, we have

$$(4. 9) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{D}(e_{n+1} + ie_{n+2}) = & -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}(e_1 + ie_2)(\omega_1 + i\omega_2) - 2i(e_{n+1} + ie_{n+2})\omega_{12} \\ & + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}(e_{n+3} + ie_{n+4})(\omega_1 - i\omega_2) \end{aligned}$$

by means of (1.4), (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4). Lastly we have

$$(4. 10) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{D}(e_{n+3} + ie_{n+4}) = & -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}(e_{n+1} + ie_{n+2})(\omega_1 + i\omega_2) \\ & - 3i(e_{n+3} + ie_{n+4})\omega_{12}. \end{aligned}$$

These equations (4.6)~(4.10) constitute the Frenet formula of  $W^2$ . In order to solve these equations, we shall write these equations in terms of an isothermal coordinate of  $W^2$ .

On the other hand, for the unit sphere  $S^2$  we have the following formula, considering it as the Gaussian complex number sphere, as is well known,

$$(4. 11) \quad ds^2 = \frac{4dzd\bar{z}}{(1+z\bar{z})^2} = (\omega_1^*)^2 + (\omega_2^*)^2,$$

and

$$(4.12) \quad \omega_1^* + i\omega_2^* = \frac{2dz}{1+z\bar{z}}, \quad \omega_{12}^* = i \frac{\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}}{1+z\bar{z}},$$

where  $\omega_{12}^*$  is the connection form of  $S^2$ .

Since  $W^2$  is of constant curvature 1, we may consider it locally as the unit sphere  $S^2$ . Then, we may put

$$(4.13) \quad \omega_1 + i\omega_2 = e^{-i\theta}(\omega_1^* + i\omega_2^*).$$

Substituting this into

$$d(\omega_1 + i\omega_2) = -i\omega_{12} \wedge (\omega_1 + i\omega_2),$$

we have

$$(\omega_{12} - \omega_{12}^* - d\theta) \wedge (\omega_1^* + i\omega_2^*) = 0,$$

hence

$$(4.14) \quad \omega_{12} = \omega_{12}^* + d\theta.$$

Substituting (1.13) and (4.14) into (4.6)~(4.10) and putting

$$(4.15) \quad \begin{cases} e_1^* + ie_2^* = e^{i\theta}(e_1 + ie_2), & e_{n+1}^* + ie_{n+2}^* = e^{2i\theta}(e_{n+1} + ie_{n+2}), \\ e_{n+3}^* + ie_{n+4}^* = e^{3i\theta}(e_{n+3} + ie_{n+4}), \end{cases}$$

we have

$$(4.6^*) \quad dx = e_1^* \omega_1^* + e_2^* \omega_2^*,$$

$$(4.7^*) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{D}(e_1^* + ie_2^*) &= -i(e_1^* + ie_2^*)\omega_{12}^* + pe_3(\omega_1^* + i\omega_2^*) \\ &\quad + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}(e_{n+1}^* + ie_{n+2}^*)(\omega_1^* - i\omega_2^*), \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.8^*) \quad \bar{D}e_3 = -p(e_1^* \omega_1^* + e_2^* \omega_2^*),$$

$$(4.9^*) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{D}(e_{n+1}^* + ie_{n+2}^*) &= -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}(e_1^* + ie_2^*)(\omega_1^* + i\omega_2^*) - 2i(e_{n+1}^* + ie_{n+2}^*)\omega_{12}^* \\ &\quad + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}(e_{n+3}^* + ie_{n+4}^*)(\omega_1^* - i\omega_2^*), \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.10^*) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{D}(e_{n+3}^* + ie_{n+4}^*) = & -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}(e_{n+1}^* + ie_{n+2}^*)(\omega_1^* + i\omega_2^*) \\ & - 3i(e_{n+3}^* + ie_{n+4}^*)\omega_{12}^*. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore using (4.12) and putting

$$(4.16) \quad \xi = e_1^* + ie_2^*, \quad \eta = e_{n+1}^* + ie_{n+2}^*, \quad \zeta = e_{n+3}^* + ie_{n+4}^*,$$

we have the Frenet formula of  $W^2$  in the isothermal coordinate  $z$  as follows:

$$(4.17) \quad \begin{cases} dx = \frac{1}{h}(\xi dz + \bar{\xi} d\bar{z}), \\ \bar{D}e_3 = -\frac{p}{h}(\xi dz + \bar{\xi} d\bar{z}), \\ \bar{D}\xi = \frac{1}{h}\xi(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{2p}{h}e_3dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\eta d\bar{z}, \\ \bar{D}\eta = -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\xi dz + \frac{2}{h}\eta(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\zeta d\bar{z}, \\ \bar{D}\zeta = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\eta dz + \frac{3}{h}\zeta(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}), \end{cases}$$

where  $h = 1 + z\bar{z}$ .

**5. Solutions in Case  $\bar{M}^{n+4} = E^{n+4}$ .** In this section, we shall find  $M^n$  in Euclidean space  $E^{n+4}$  as in Theorem 2, by solving the Frenet formula (4.17) of  $W^2$ .

In this case, by (4.5) we have

$$(5.1) \quad p = \sqrt{6}.$$

From the last equation of (4.17), we have

$$\frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \bar{z}} = -\frac{3z}{h}\zeta.$$

Hence we can put

$$(5.2) \quad \zeta = \frac{1}{h^3}F(z),$$

where  $F(z)$  is a complex holomorphic vector field. Substituting (5.2) into the 5th of (4.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial z} &= -\frac{3\bar{z}}{h^4}F(z) + \frac{1}{h^3}F'(z) = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\eta + \frac{3\bar{z}}{h}\xi \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\eta + \frac{3\bar{z}}{h^4}F(z),\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$(5.3) \quad \eta = \sqrt{6}\frac{\bar{z}}{h^3}F(z) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}h^2}F'(z).$$

From (5.3) and (5.2), we have

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \bar{z}} = \sqrt{6}\left(\frac{1}{h^3} - \frac{3z\bar{z}}{h^4}\right)F(z) + \frac{2z}{\sqrt{6}h^3}F'(z)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\xi - \frac{2z}{h}\eta &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h^4}F(z) - \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h^4}z\bar{z}F(z) + \frac{2z}{\sqrt{6}h^3}F'(z) \\ &= \sqrt{6}\left(\frac{1}{h^3} - \frac{3z\bar{z}}{h^4}\right)F(z) + \frac{2z}{\sqrt{6}h^3}F'(z),\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\xi - \frac{2z}{h}\eta.$$

From the 4th of (4.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial z} &= -\frac{3\sqrt{6}\bar{z}^2}{h^4}F(z) + \frac{\sqrt{6}\bar{z}}{h^3}F'(z) + \frac{2\bar{z}}{\sqrt{6}h^3}F'(z) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}h^2}F''(z) \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\xi + \frac{2\bar{z}}{h}\eta = -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\xi + \frac{2\sqrt{6}\bar{z}^2}{h^4}F(z) - \frac{2\bar{z}}{\sqrt{6}h^3}F'(z),\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$(5.4) \quad \xi = \frac{\sqrt{15}\bar{z}^2}{h^3}F(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15}\bar{z}}{3h^2}F'(z) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{15}h}F''(z).$$

From (5.4) and (5.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \bar{z}} &= \sqrt{15} \left( \frac{2\bar{z}}{h^3} - \frac{3z\bar{z}^2}{h^4} \right) F(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15}}{3} \left( \frac{1}{h^2} - \frac{2z\bar{z}}{h^3} \right) F'(z) - \frac{z}{2\sqrt{15} h^2} F''(z) \\ &= \sqrt{15} \bar{z} \left( \frac{3}{h^4} - \frac{1}{h^3} \right) F(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15}}{3} \left( \frac{2}{h^3} - \frac{1}{h^2} \right) F'(z) - \frac{z}{2\sqrt{15} h^2} F''(z),\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \eta - \frac{z}{h} \xi &= \frac{2\sqrt{15} \bar{z}}{h^4} F(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15}}{3h^3} F'(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15} z\bar{z}^2}{h^4} F(z) \\ &\quad + \frac{\sqrt{15} z\bar{z}}{3h^3} F'(z) - \frac{z}{2\sqrt{15} h^2} F''(z) \\ &= \sqrt{15} \bar{z} \left( \frac{3}{h^4} - \frac{1}{h^3} \right) F(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15}}{3} \left( \frac{2}{h^3} - \frac{1}{h^2} \right) F'(z) - \frac{z}{2\sqrt{15} h^2} F''(z),\end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \eta - \frac{z}{h} \xi.$$

From the 3rd of (4.17), (5.3) and (5.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial z} &= -\frac{3\sqrt{15} \bar{z}^3}{h^4} F(z) + \frac{5\sqrt{15} \bar{z}^2}{3h^3} F'(z) - \frac{11}{2\sqrt{15} h^2} \bar{z} F''(z) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{15} h} F'''(z) \\ &= \frac{\bar{z}}{h} \xi + \frac{2p}{h} e_3 = \frac{\sqrt{15} \bar{z}^3}{h^4} F(z) - \frac{\sqrt{15} \bar{z}^2}{3h^3} F'(z) + \frac{\bar{z}}{2\sqrt{15} h^2} F''(z) + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h} e_3.\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$(5.5) \quad e_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{10} \bar{z}^3}{h^3} F(z) + \frac{\sqrt{10} \bar{z}^2}{2h^2} F'(z) - \frac{\bar{z}}{\sqrt{10} h} F''(z) + \frac{1}{12\sqrt{10}} F'''(z),$$

from which we have



$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial e_3}{\partial \bar{z}} &= -\sqrt{10} \left( \frac{3\bar{z}^2}{h^3} - \frac{3z\bar{z}^3}{h^4} \right) F(z) + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2} \left( \frac{2\bar{z}}{h^2} - \frac{2z\bar{z}^2}{h^3} \right) F'(z) \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \left( \frac{1}{h} - \frac{z\bar{z}}{h^2} \right) F''(z) = -\frac{3\sqrt{10}}{h^4} \bar{z}^2 F(z) + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h^3} \bar{z} F'(z) \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{\sqrt{10} h^2} F''(z) = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \xi = -\frac{p}{h} \xi.
\end{aligned}$$

If  $e_3$  is real, then we have also

$$\frac{\partial e_3}{\partial z} = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \bar{\xi} = -\frac{p}{h} \bar{\xi}.$$

Hence, if we choose  $F(z)$  so that  $e_3$  is real, then  $e_3$ ,  $\xi$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\zeta$  given by (5.5), (5.4), (5.3), (5.2), satisfy the equations (4.17) respectively except the first one.

From now we search for  $F(z)$  such that  $e_3$  is real. Since  $h = 1 + z\bar{z}$  is real, it is equivalent to determine so that

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.6) \quad -12\sqrt{10} h^3 e_3 &= 120 \bar{z}^3 F(z) - 60h\bar{z}^3 F'(z) + 12h^2\bar{z} F''(z) - h^3 F'''(z) \\
&\equiv 6G(z, \bar{z})
\end{aligned}$$

is real.  $G(z, \bar{z})$  is a polynomial in  $\bar{z}$  of order at most 3, hence it is also so in  $z$  by means of  $\overline{G(z, \bar{z})} = G(z, \bar{z})$ .

Now, we have easily from (5.6)

$$\begin{aligned}
6G(z, \bar{z}) &= \{120F(z) - 60zF'(z) + 12z^2F''(z) - z^3F'''(z)\} \bar{z}^3 \\
&\quad - 3\{20F'(z) - 8zF''(z) + z^2F'''(z)\} \bar{z}^2 \\
&\quad + 3\{4F''(z) - zF'''(z)\} \bar{z} - F'''(z).
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $G(z, \bar{z})$  is a vector valued polynomial in  $z$  and  $\bar{z}$ , we see from the above relation that  $F'''(z)$  is a polynomial in  $z$ . Therefore, we may put

$$(5.7) \quad F(z) = A_0 + A_1 z + \cdots + A_m z^m,$$

where  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_m$  are constant vectors in  $C^4$ . Then, by simple calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
120F(z) - 60zF'(z) + 12z^2F''(z) - z^3F'''(z) &= 120A_0 + 60A_1z + 24A_2z^2 \\
&\quad + 6A_3z^3 + \cdots + (4-m)(5-m)(6-m)A_mz^m, \\
20F'(z) - 8zF''(z) + z^2F'''(z) &= 20A_1 + 24A_2z + 18A_3z^2 \\
&\quad + \cdots + m(5-m)(6-m)A_mz^{m-1}, \\
4F''(z) - zF'''(z) &= 8A_2 + 18A_3z + \cdots + m(m-1)(6-m)A_mz^{m-2},
\end{aligned}$$

hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
6G(z, \bar{z}) &= \{120A_0 + 60A_1z + 24A_2z^2 + 6A_3z^3 + \cdots + (4-m)(5-m)(6-m)A_mz^m\}\bar{z}^3 \\
&\quad - 3\{20A_1 + 24A_2z + 18A_3z^2 + \cdots + m(5-m)(6-m)A_mz^{m-1}\}\bar{z}^2 \\
&\quad + 3\{8A_2 + 18A_3z + \cdots + m(m-1)(6-m)A_mz^{m-2}\}\bar{z} \\
&\quad - \{6A_3 + 24A_4z + \cdots + m(m-1)(m-2)A_mz^{m-3}\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Noticing that the polynomial inside of the first brace lacks the terms of order 4, 5 and 6 in  $z$ , we may suppose that  $m = 6$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.8) \quad G(z, \bar{z}) &= (20A_0 + 10A_1z + 4A_2z^2 + A_3z^3)\bar{z}^3 \\
&\quad - (10A_1 + 12A_2z + 9A_3z^2 + 4A_4z^3)\bar{z}^2 \\
&\quad + (4A_2 + 9A_3z + 12A_4z^2 + 10A_5z^3)\bar{z} \\
&\quad - (A_3 + 4A_4z + 10A_5z^2 + 20A_6z^3).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, it must be

$$\begin{aligned}
\overline{G(z, \bar{z})} &= (-20\bar{A}_0 + 10\bar{A}_5z - 4\bar{A}_4z^2 + \bar{A}_3z^3)\bar{z}^3 \\
&\quad - (10\bar{A}_5 - 12\bar{A}_4z + 9\bar{A}_3z^2 - 4\bar{A}_2z^3)\bar{z}^2 \\
&\quad + (-4\bar{A}_4 + 9\bar{A}_3z - 12\bar{A}_2z^2 + 10\bar{A}_1z^3)\bar{z} \\
&\quad - (\bar{A}_3 - 4\bar{A}_2z + 10\bar{A}_1z^2 - 20\bar{A}_0z^3).
\end{aligned}$$

Comparing this with (5.8),  $G(z, \bar{z}) = \overline{G(z, \bar{z})}$  is satisfied if and only if

$$(5.9) \quad A_3 = \bar{A}_3, \quad A_4 = -\bar{A}_2, \quad A_5 = \bar{A}_1, \quad A_6 = -\bar{A}_0.$$

Making use of (5.9),  $G(z, \bar{z})$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
G(z, \bar{z}) &= (20A_0 + 10A_1z + 4A_2z^2 + A_3z^3)\bar{z}^3 \\
&\quad - (10A_1 + 12A_2z + 9A_3z^2 - 4\bar{A}_2z^3)\bar{z}^2 \\
&\quad + (4A_2 + 9A_3z - 12\bar{A}_2z^2 + 10\bar{A}_1z^3)\bar{z} \\
&\quad - (A_3 - 4\bar{A}_2z + 10\bar{A}_1z^2 - 20\bar{A}_0z^3) \\
&= -A_3 + 4(\bar{A}_2z + A_2z) + 9A_3z\bar{z} - 10(\bar{A}_1z^2 + A_1\bar{z}^2) \\
&\quad - 12(\bar{A}_2z + A_2\bar{z})z\bar{z} + 20(\bar{A}_0z^3 + A_0\bar{z}^3) \\
&\quad + 10(\bar{A}_1z^2 + A_1\bar{z}^2)z\bar{z} - 9A_3(z\bar{z})^2 \\
&\quad + 4(\bar{A}_2z + A_2\bar{z})(z\bar{z})^2 + A_3(z\bar{z})^3 \\
&= -A_3\{1 - 9z\bar{z} + 9(z\bar{z})^2 - (z\bar{z})^3\} \\
&\quad + 4(\bar{A}_2z + A_2\bar{z})\{1 - 3z\bar{z} + (z\bar{z})^2\} \\
&\quad - 10(\bar{A}_1z^2 + A_1\bar{z}^2)\{1 - z\bar{z}\} \\
&\quad + 20(\bar{A}_0z^3 + A_0\bar{z}^3).
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting this into (5.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.10) \quad e_3 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}h^3} \{A_3(1 - 9z\bar{z} + 9z^2\bar{z}^2 - z^3\bar{z}^3) \\
&\quad - 4(\bar{A}_2z + A_2\bar{z})(1 - 3z\bar{z} + z^2\bar{z}^2) \\
&\quad + 10(\bar{A}_1z^2 + A_1\bar{z}^2)(1 - z\bar{z}) - 20(\bar{A}_0z^3 + A_0\bar{z}^3)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Analogously from (5.2), we have

$$(5.11) \quad \zeta = \frac{1}{h^3} \{z^3A_3 + (z^2A_2 - z^4\bar{A}_2) + (zA_1 + z^5\bar{A}_1) + A_0 - z^6\bar{A}_0\}.$$

On the other hand, (5.3) and (5.4) can be written as

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}h^3} \{6z\bar{z}F(z) - (1 + z\bar{z})F'(z)\}$$

and

$$\xi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{15} h^3} \{15\bar{z}^2 F(z) - 5(1+z\bar{z})\bar{z}F'(z) + \frac{1}{2}(1+z\bar{z})^2 F''(z)\}.$$

Since we have

$$\begin{aligned} 6\bar{z}F(z) - (1+z\bar{z})F'(z) &= 6\bar{z}(z^3A_3 + z^2A_2 - z^4\bar{A}_2 + zA_1 + z^5\bar{A}_1 + A_0 - z^6\bar{A}_0) \\ &\quad - (1+z\bar{z})(3z^2A_3 + 2zA_2 - 4z^3\bar{A}_2 + A_1 + 5z^4\bar{A}_1 - 6z^5\bar{A}_0) \\ &= -3(1-z\bar{z})z^2A_3 + 2(-1+2z\bar{z})zA_2 + 2(2-z\bar{z})z^3\bar{A}_2 \\ &\quad + (-1+5z\bar{z})A_1 + (-5+z\bar{z})z^4\bar{A}_1 + 6\bar{z}A_0 + 6z^5\bar{A}_0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 15\bar{z}^2F(z) - 5(1+z\bar{z})\bar{z}F'(z) + \frac{1}{2}(1+z\bar{z})^2F''(z) \\ &= 15\bar{z}^2(z^3A_3 + z^2A_2 - z^4\bar{A}_2 + zA_1 + z^5\bar{A}_1 + A_0 - z^6\bar{A}_0) \\ &\quad - 5(1+z\bar{z})\bar{z}(3z^2A_3 + 2zA_2 - 4z^3\bar{A}_2 + A_1 + 5z^4\bar{A}_1 - 6z^5\bar{A}_0) \\ &\quad + (1+2z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2)(3zA_3 + A_2 - 6z^2\bar{A}_2 + 10z^3\bar{A}_1 - 15z^4\bar{A}_0) \\ &= 3(1-3z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2)zA_3 + (1-8z\bar{z}+6z^2\bar{z}^2)A_2 \\ &\quad - (6-8z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2)z^2\bar{A}_2 + 5(-1+2z\bar{z})\bar{z}A_1 + 5(2-z\bar{z})z^3\bar{A}_1 \\ &\quad + 15\bar{z}^2A_0 - 15z^4\bar{A}_0, \end{aligned}$$

$\eta$  and  $\xi$  can be written as :

$$(5.12) \quad \eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6} h^3} \{-3(1-z\bar{z})z^2A_3 + 2(-1+2z\bar{z})zA_2 + 2(2-z\bar{z})z^3\bar{A}_2 \\ + (-1+5z\bar{z})A_1 + (-5+z\bar{z})z^4\bar{A}_1 + 6\bar{z}A_0 + 6z^5\bar{A}_0\}$$

and

$$(5.13) \quad \xi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{15} h^3} \{3(1-3z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2)zA_3 + (1-8z\bar{z}+6z^2\bar{z}^2)A_2 \\ - (6-8z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2)z^2\bar{A}_2 + 5(-1+2z\bar{z})\bar{z}A_1 + 5(2-z\bar{z})z^3\bar{A}_1 \\ + 15\bar{z}^2A_0 - 15z^4\bar{A}_0\}.$$

Now, we must find the conditions such that  $\xi$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\zeta$ ,  $e_3$  make an orthonormal frame. In the case of this section, (4.17) are

$$\begin{aligned}
de_3 &= -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}(\bar{\xi}dz + \xi d\bar{z}), \\
\begin{cases} d\xi = \frac{1}{h}\xi(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h}e_3dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\eta d\bar{z}, \\ d\bar{\xi} = -\frac{1}{h}\bar{\xi}(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h}e_3d\bar{z} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\bar{\eta}dz, \end{cases} \\
\begin{cases} d\eta = -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\xi dz + \frac{2}{h}\eta(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\zeta d\bar{z}, \\ d\bar{\eta} = -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\bar{\xi}d\bar{z} - \frac{2}{h}\bar{\eta}(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\bar{\zeta}dz, \end{cases} \\
\begin{cases} d\zeta = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\eta dz + \frac{3}{h}\zeta(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}), \\ d\bar{\zeta} = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}\bar{\eta}d\bar{z} - \frac{3}{h}\bar{\zeta}(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}). \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

In the following calculation, “ $\equiv$ ” denotes the equality modulus the quantities :

$$\begin{aligned}
&e_3 \cdot \xi, e_3 \cdot \eta, e_3 \cdot \zeta, e_3 \cdot \bar{\xi}, e_3 \cdot \bar{\eta}, e_3 \cdot \bar{\zeta}, \\
&\xi \cdot \xi, \xi \cdot \eta, \xi \cdot \zeta, \xi \cdot \bar{\eta}, \xi \cdot \bar{\zeta}, \\
&\bar{\xi} \cdot \bar{\xi}, \bar{\xi} \cdot \eta, \bar{\xi} \cdot \zeta, \bar{\xi} \cdot \bar{\eta}, \bar{\xi} \cdot \bar{\zeta}, \\
&\eta \cdot \eta, \eta \cdot \zeta, \eta \cdot \bar{\zeta}, \bar{\eta} \cdot \bar{\eta}, \bar{\eta} \cdot \zeta, \bar{\eta} \cdot \bar{\zeta}, \zeta \cdot \zeta, \bar{\zeta} \cdot \bar{\zeta}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, making use of the above relations, we have easily the relations :

$$\begin{aligned}
d(e_3 \cdot e_3) &\equiv 0, \\
d(e_3 \cdot \xi) &\equiv \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}(2e_3 \cdot e_3 - \xi \cdot \bar{\xi})dz, \\
d(e_3 \cdot \eta) &\equiv d(e_3 \cdot \zeta) \equiv 0, \\
d(\xi \cdot \bar{\xi}) &\equiv d(\xi \cdot \xi) \equiv d(\xi \cdot \eta) \equiv d(\xi \cdot \zeta) \equiv d(\xi \cdot \bar{\zeta}) \equiv 0, \\
d(\xi \cdot \bar{\eta}) &\equiv \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}(\eta \cdot \bar{\eta} - \xi \cdot \bar{\xi})d\bar{z}, \\
d(\eta \cdot \bar{\eta}) &\equiv d(\eta \cdot \eta) \equiv d(\eta \cdot \zeta) \equiv 0, \\
d(\eta \cdot \bar{\zeta}) &\equiv \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h}(\zeta \cdot \bar{\zeta} - \eta \cdot \bar{\eta})d\bar{z}, \\
d(\zeta \cdot \bar{\zeta}) &\equiv d(\zeta \cdot \xi) \equiv 0,
\end{aligned}$$

from which we see that if we can choose  $A_0, A_1, A_2, A_3$  so that all the above quantities 10 lines before and

$$e_3 \cdot e_3 - 1, \xi \cdot \bar{\xi} - 2, \eta \cdot \bar{\eta} - 2, \zeta \cdot \bar{\zeta} - 2$$

are zero at  $z = 0$ , then these are identically zero.

By means of (5.10), (5.11), (5.12), (5.13), when  $z = 0$ , we have

$$e_3 = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{10}} A_3, \quad \xi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{15}} A_2, \quad \eta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} A_1, \quad \zeta = A_0.$$

Thus, the conditions for  $A_0, A_1, A_2, A_3$  are

$$(5.14) \quad \begin{cases} A_3 = \bar{A}_3, \\ A_2 \cdot A_2 = A_1 \cdot A_1 = A_0 \cdot A_0 = 0, \\ A_3 \cdot A_3 = 40, A_2 \cdot \bar{A}_2 = 30, A_1 \cdot \bar{A}_1 = 12, A_0 \cdot \bar{A}_0 = 2, \\ A_3 \cdot A_2 = A_3 \cdot A_1 = A_3 \cdot A_0 = 0, \\ A_2 \cdot A_1 = A_2 \cdot \bar{A}_1 = A_2 \cdot A_0 = A_2 \cdot \bar{A}_0 = 0, \\ A_1 \cdot A_0 = A_1 \cdot \bar{A}_0 = 0. \end{cases}$$

Now, we give the equation of  $W^2$  by means of the above result. First of all, we choose four constant vectors  $A_0, A_1, A_2, A_3$  in  $C^4$  which satisfy the condition (5.14) and determine  $e_3$  given by (5.10) which is real and a unit vector field in  $E^8 \cong C^4$ . On the other hand, we may consider as

$$x + \frac{1}{p} e_3 = 0$$

by (4.17). Hence we have a general solution of  $W^2$  as follows:

$$(5.15) \quad x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} e_3 = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{15}(1+z\bar{z})^3} \{ -(1-9z\bar{z}+9z^2\bar{z}^2-z^3\bar{z}^3)A_3 \\ + 4(1-3z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2)(\bar{z}A_2+z\bar{A}_2) - 10(1-z\bar{z})(\bar{z}^2A_1+z^2\bar{A}_1) \\ + 20(\bar{z}^3A_0+z^3\bar{A}_0) \}.$$

If we put

$$\begin{aligned} A_3 &= 2\sqrt{10} \, \partial/\partial x_7, \\ A_2 &= \sqrt{15} (\partial/\partial x_1 + i\partial/\partial x_2), \\ A_1 &= -\sqrt{6} (\partial/\partial x_3 + i\partial/\partial x_4), \\ A_0 &= \partial/\partial x_5 + i\partial/\partial x_6, \end{aligned}$$

then we can write (5.15) in the canonical coordinates  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_7$  as follows :

$$(5.16) \quad \begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{1-3z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2}{(1+z\bar{z})^3} (z + \bar{z}), \\ x_2 = -i \frac{1-3z\bar{z}+z^2\bar{z}^2}{(1+z\bar{z})^3} (z - \bar{z}), \\ x_3 = \frac{\sqrt{5}(1-z\bar{z})}{\sqrt{2}(1+z\bar{z})^3} (z^2 + \bar{z}^2), \\ x_4 = -i \frac{\sqrt{5}(1-z\bar{z})}{\sqrt{2}(1+z\bar{z})^3} (z^2 - \bar{z}^2), \\ x_5 = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}(1+z\bar{z})^3} (z^3 + \bar{z}^3), \\ x_6 = -i \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}(1+z\bar{z})^3} (z^3 - \bar{z}^3), \\ z_7 = -\frac{1-9z\bar{z}+9z^2\bar{z}^2-z^3\bar{z}^3}{\sqrt{6}(1+z\bar{z})^3}. \end{cases}$$

Finally, we show how to construct  $M^n$  in  $E^{n+4}$  as in Theorem 2. First of all, we consider as

$$E^{n+4} = R^{n-4} \times R^8, \quad R^8 \cong C^4$$

and construct a surface  $W^2$  given by (5.15) in  $C^4$ . This surface is clearly of geodesic codimension 5 in  $R^8$ . Hence, we may consider as

$$W^2 \subset R^7 \quad \text{and} \quad C^4 = R \times R^7.$$

For any point  $y \in W^2$ , we denote a linear subspace  $L^{n-2}(y)$  through  $y$  such that

$$L^{n-2}(y) \parallel R^{n-4} \times R \quad \text{and} \quad L^{n-2}(y) \parallel e_3(z), \quad y = y(z).$$

Then, the locus of points on the moving  $L^{n-2}(y)$  makes an  $n$ -dimensional submanifold  $M^n$  in  $E^{n+4}$  which is minimal and of  $M$ -index 2 everywhere and satisfies the conditions in Theorem 2.

Remark. As is well known, the Veronese surface is given by

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \sqrt{3} u_2 u_3, & x_2 &= \sqrt{3} u_3 u_1, & x_3 &= \sqrt{3} u_1 u_2, \\ x_4 &= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} (u_1 u_1 - u_2 u_2), & x_5 &= \frac{1}{2} (3u_1 u_1 + 3u_2 u_2 - 2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $u_1 u_1 + u_2 u_2 + u_3 u_3 = 1$ . Through the stereographic projection, we put

$$u_1 = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{1 + z\bar{z}}, \quad u_2 = -i \frac{z - \bar{z}}{1 + z\bar{z}}, \quad u_3 = \frac{z\bar{z} - 1}{1 + z\bar{z}}$$

and substituting these into the above equations we have

$$(5.17) \quad \begin{cases} x_1 = i\sqrt{3} \frac{1 - z\bar{z}}{(1 + z\bar{z})^2} (z - \bar{z}), \\ x_2 = -\sqrt{3} \frac{1 - z\bar{z}}{(1 + z\bar{z})^2} (z + \bar{z}), \\ x_3 = -i\sqrt{3} \frac{1}{(1 + z\bar{z})^2} (z^2 - \bar{z}^2), \\ x_4 = \sqrt{3} \frac{1}{(1 + z\bar{z})^2} (z^2 + \bar{z}^2), \\ x_5 = -\frac{1 - 4z\bar{z} + z^2\bar{z}^2}{(1 + z\bar{z})^2}. \end{cases}$$

Comparing (5.16) multiplied by  $\sqrt{6}$  with (5.17), we see that  $W^2$  may be considered as a generalization of the Veronese surface. It is minimal in a 6-dimensional sphere as the Veronese surface is minimal in the 4-dimensional unit sphere. Both of them are isometric imbeddings of the projective plane with a canonical metric of constant curvature.

**6. Solutions in Case  $\bar{M}^{n+4} = S^{n+4}(R)$ .** In this section, we shall find  $M^n$  in  $(n+4)$ -dimensional sphere as in Theorem 2.

In this case, we regard as  $\bar{M}^{n+4} = S^{n+4}(R) \subset E^{n+5}$ , where  $\frac{1}{R^2} = \bar{c}$ . Putting



$$(6.1) \quad \frac{x}{R} = e_{n+5},$$

we have

$$dx = Rde_{n+5} = e_1^* \omega_1^* + e_2^* \omega_2^*.$$

Hence, denoting the ordinary differential operator in  $E^{n+5}$  by  $d$ , we have easily

$$(6.2) \quad de_3 = \bar{D}e_3 = -\frac{p}{h}(\xi dz + \xi d\bar{z}),$$

and

$$d\xi = \bar{D}\xi - \frac{1}{R}(\omega_1^* + i\omega_2^*)e_{n+5},$$

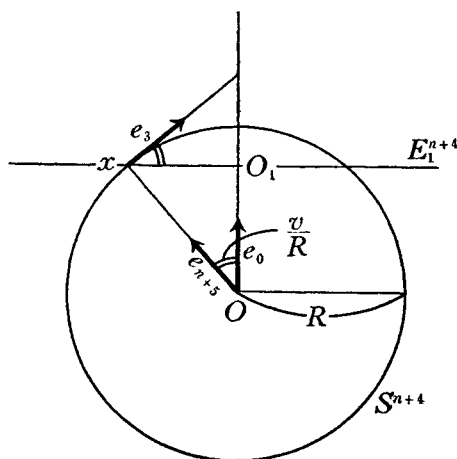
i. e.

$$(6.3) \quad d\xi = \frac{1}{h}\xi(-dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{2p}{h}e_3 dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\eta d\bar{z} - \frac{2}{Rh}e_{n+5}dz$$

by (4.17) and (4.12).

On the other hand, we have

$$(6.4) \quad p = \sqrt{c} \cot \sqrt{c} v = \frac{1}{R} \cot \frac{v}{R}$$



Since the point

$$x + \frac{1}{p}e_3 = R \left( e_{n+5} + e_3 \tan \frac{v}{R} \right)$$

is a fixed point, the unit vector

$$e_0 = e_{n+5} \cos \frac{v}{R} + e_3 \sin \frac{v}{R}$$

is fixed on  $W^2$ . Hence  $W^2$  lies on the linear space  $E_1^{n+4}$  which is orthogonal to  $e_0$  and passes through the point  $O_1 = e_0 R \cos \frac{v}{R}$ .

Now, we have

$$\overrightarrow{O_1 x} = -e_3^* R \sin \frac{v}{R},$$

where

$$(6.5) \quad e_3^* = e_3 \cos \frac{v}{R} - e_{n+5} \sin \frac{v}{R}.$$

Since we have

$$pe_3 - \frac{1}{R}e_{n+5} = \frac{1}{R}e_3 \cot \frac{v}{R} - \frac{1}{R}e_{n+5} = \frac{1}{R \sin \frac{v}{R}} e_3^*$$

and

$$p^2 + \bar{c} = \left( \frac{1}{R} \cot \frac{v}{R} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{R^2} = \frac{1}{\left( R \sin \frac{v}{R} \right)^2} = 6$$

by (4.5), (6.3) can be written as

$$(6.6) \quad d\xi = \frac{1}{h} \xi (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h} e_3^* dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \eta d\bar{z}.$$

Next, we compute  $de_3^*$  on  $W^2$ . By means of (6.1), (6.2) and (6.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} de_3^* &= \cos \frac{v}{R} de_3 - \sin \frac{v}{R} de_{n+5} \\ &= - \left( \frac{p}{h} \cos \frac{v}{R} + \frac{1}{Rh} \sin \frac{v}{R} \right) (\xi dz + \xi d\bar{z}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{p}{h} \cos \frac{v}{R} + \frac{1}{Rh} \sin \frac{v}{R} = \frac{1}{Rh \sin \frac{v}{R}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h},$$

hence

$$(6.7) \quad de_3^* = - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} (\xi dz + \xi d\bar{z}).$$

Therefore, the Frenet formula (4.17) of  $W^2$  in  $S^{n+4}(R)$  becomes the following one in  $E_1^{n+4}$ :

$$(6.8) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} dx &= \frac{1}{h} (\xi dz + \xi d\bar{z}), \\ de_3^* &= - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} (\xi dz + \xi d\bar{z}), \\ d\xi &= \frac{1}{h} \xi (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h} e_3^* dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \eta d\bar{z}, \\ d\eta &= - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \xi dz + \frac{2}{h} \eta (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \xi d\bar{z}, \\ d\xi &= - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \eta dz + \frac{3}{h} \xi (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}), \end{aligned} \right.$$

which is completely identical with the system of equations in Case  $\bar{M}^{n+4} = E^{n+4}$ .

We can construct a minimal submanifold  $M^n$  with  $M$ -index 2 of geodesic codimension 4 in the sphere  $S^{n+4}(R)$  by means of the results of the previous sections.

**7. Solutions in Case  $\bar{M}^{n+4} = H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$ .** In this section, we shall find  $M^n$  in  $(n+4)$ -dimensional hyperbolic space  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$  of curvature  $\bar{c}$  as in Theorem 2.

In this case, (4.5) and (1.14) imply

$$\bar{c} = 6 - p^2 = 6 + \bar{c} \coth^2 \sqrt{-\bar{c}} v,$$

i. e.

$$(7.1) \quad -\bar{c} = 6 \sinh^2 \sqrt{-\bar{c}} v.$$

We use the Poincare representation of  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$  in the unit disk in  $E^{n+4}$  with the canonical coordinates  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n+4}$ . Its line element, as is well known, is given by

$$(7.2) \quad ds^2 = \frac{4 R^2 dx \cdot dx}{(1 - x \cdot x)^2}, \quad R = \sqrt{\frac{1}{-\bar{c}}}$$

Since the components of the Riemannian metric are

$$g_{ij} = \frac{4R^2}{L^2} \delta_{ij}, \quad g^{ij} = \frac{L^2}{4R^2} \delta_{ij},$$

where

$$L = 1 - x \cdot x,$$

we have its components of the connection:

$$(7.3) \quad \Gamma_{ij}^k = 2(\delta_i^k x_j + \delta_j^k x_i - \delta_{ij} x_k)/L.$$

For any two tangent vectors  $X$  and  $Y$ , we have

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = \frac{4R^2}{L^2} X \cdot Y,$$

where  $\langle X, Y \rangle$  and  $X \cdot Y$  denote the inner products of  $X$  and  $Y$  in  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$  and  $E^{n+4}$ , respectively. Hence, if  $(x, e_1, \dots, e_{n+4})$  is an orthonormal frame in  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$ , then  $(x, \frac{2R}{L}e_1, \dots, \frac{2R}{L}e_{n+4})$  is the one in  $E^{n+4}$ .

Now, for any tangent vector field  $X = \sum_{j=1}^{n+4} X^j \partial / \partial x^j$ , by means of (7.3) we have easily

$$(7.4) \quad \bar{D}x = \frac{L}{2R} \left[ d \left( \frac{2R}{L} X \right) + \frac{2}{L} \left\{ \left( x \cdot \frac{2R}{L} X \right) dx - x \left( \frac{2R}{L} X \cdot dx \right) \right\} \right].$$

Putting

$$(7.5) \quad e_3^* = \frac{2R}{L}e_3, \quad \xi^* = \frac{2R}{L}\xi, \quad \eta^* = \frac{2R}{L}\eta, \quad \zeta^* = \frac{2R}{L}\zeta,$$

we rewrite the formula (4.17) in these terms. First of all, we have

$$(7.6) \quad dx = \frac{L}{2Rh}(\xi^*dz + \xi^*d\bar{z}).$$

From the 2nd of (4.17) and (7.4),

$$de_3^* + \frac{2}{L}\{(x \cdot e_3^*)dx - x(e_3^* \cdot dx)\} = -\frac{p}{h}(\xi^*dz + \xi^*d\bar{z}).$$

By (7.6) and  $(e_3^* \cdot dx) = 0$ , the above equation becomes

$$de_3^* = -\left\{p + \frac{1}{R}(x \cdot e_3^*)\right\}\frac{1}{h}(\xi^*dz + \xi^*d\bar{z}).$$

Now, from the third of (4.17), we have analogously

$$\begin{aligned} d\xi^* + \frac{2}{L}\{(x \cdot \xi^*)dx - x(\xi^* \cdot dx)\} &= \frac{1}{h}\xi^*(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) \\ &+ \frac{2p}{h}e_3^*dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\eta^*d\bar{z}. \end{aligned}$$

Since we have

$$\xi^* \cdot dx = \frac{L}{2Rh}\xi^* \cdot (\xi^*dz + \xi^*d\bar{z}) = \frac{L}{Rh}dz,$$

the above equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (7.7) \quad d\xi^* &= \frac{1}{h}\xi^*(\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}) + \frac{2}{h}\left(pe_3^* + \frac{1}{R}x\right)dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h}\eta^*d\bar{z} \\ &- \frac{1}{Rh}(x \cdot \xi^*)(\xi^*dz + \xi^*d\bar{z}). \end{aligned}$$

Next, from the fourth of (4.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d\eta^* + \frac{2}{L} \{ (x \cdot \eta^*) dx - x(\eta^* \cdot dx) \} \\ = -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \xi^* dz + \frac{2}{h} \eta^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \xi^* d\bar{z}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\eta^* \cdot dx = 0$ , the above relation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (7.8) \quad d\eta^* = & -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \xi^* dz + \frac{2}{h} \eta^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{6}{h} \xi^* d\bar{z} \\ & - \frac{1}{Rh} (x \cdot \eta^*) (\xi^* dz + \xi^* d\bar{z}). \end{aligned}$$

Last of all, we have from the fifth of (4.17) and (7.4)

$$d\xi^* + \frac{2}{L} \{ (x \cdot \xi^*) dx - x(\xi^* \cdot dx) \} = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \eta^* dz + \frac{3}{h} \xi^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}),$$

that is

$$(7.9) \quad d\xi^* = -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \eta^* dz + \frac{3}{h} \xi^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) - \frac{1}{Rh} (x \cdot \xi^*) (\xi^* dz + \xi^* d\bar{z}).$$

On the other hand, any geodesic starting from the origin  $O = (0, \dots, 0)$  in  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$  is a Euclidean straight line segment in the unit disk. The arc lengths  $v$  and  $r$  in  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$  and  $E^{n+4}$  have the relations as follows:

$$v = R \log \frac{1+r}{1-r}, \quad r = \tanh \frac{v}{2R}.$$

Since any  $W^2$  is congruent to others under the hyperbolic motions, we may suppose the focal point  $z_0$  in Theorem C is the origin  $O$ . Then, we have

$$x = -e_3^* \quad r = -e_3 \tanh \frac{v}{2R},$$

and hence

$$x \cdot \xi^* = x \cdot \eta^* = x \cdot \zeta^* = 0,$$

$$L = 1 - x \cdot x = 1 - r^2 = 1 - \tanh^2 \frac{v}{2R} = \frac{1}{\cosh^2 \frac{v}{2R}},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} p + \frac{1}{R}(x \cdot e_3^*) &= p - \frac{r}{R} = \frac{1}{R} \coth \frac{v}{R} - \frac{1}{R} \tanh \frac{v}{2R} \\ &= \frac{1}{R \sinh \frac{v}{R}} = \sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

by (1.14) and (7.1).

Making use of these relations, (7.6)~(7.9) can be written as

$$(7.10) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} dx &= \frac{1}{\left(\cosh \frac{v}{R} + 1\right)R} \frac{1}{h} (\bar{\xi}^* dz + \xi^* d\bar{z}), \\ de_3^* &= -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} (\bar{\xi}^* dz + \xi^* d\bar{z}), \\ d\xi^* &= \frac{1}{h} \xi^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{h} e_3^* dz + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \eta^* d\bar{z}, \\ d\eta^* &= -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{h} \xi^* dz + \frac{2}{h} \eta^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \zeta^* d\bar{z}, \\ d\zeta^* &= -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{h} \eta^* dz + \frac{3}{h} \zeta^* (\bar{z} dz - z d\bar{z}), \end{aligned} \right.$$

which is completely identical with the system of equations for  $W^2$  in Case  $\bar{M}^{n+4} = E^{n+4}$  except the first one.

Therefore, we can construct  $W^2$  in  $H^{n+4}(\bar{c})$  by the formula (5.10) and

$$(7.11) \quad x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6} R \left( \cosh \frac{v}{R} + 1 \right)} e_3^*.$$

Then, we can construct a minimal submanifold  $M^n$  with  $M$ -index 2 of geodesic condimension 4, taking  $W^2$  as the base surface, according to Theorem C.

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