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# ON THE GLOBAL STRUCTURE OF HOPF HYPERSURFACES IN A COMPLEX SPACE FORM

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ABSTRACT. It is known that a tube over a Kähler submanifold in a complex space form is a Hopf hypersurface. In some sense the reverse statement is true: a connected compact generic immersed  $C^{2n-1}$  regular Hopf hypersurface in the complex projective space is a tube over an irreducible algebraic variety. In the complex hyperbolic space a connected compact generic immersed  $C^{2n-1}$  regular Hopf hypersurface is a geodesic hypersphere.

# Introduction

A natural class of real hypersurfaces in a complex space form  $\overline{M}(c)$  of constant holomorphic curvature 4c is the class of Hopf hypersurfaces. For a unit normal vector  $\xi$  of a hypersurface M the vector  $J\xi$  is a tangent vector to M, where J is the complex structure of the complex space form  $\overline{M}(c)$ .

DEFINITION. A hypersurface  $M \subset \overline{M}(c)$  is called a Hopf hypersurface if the vector  $J\xi$  is a principal direction at every point of M.

Y. Maeda [11] proved that for Hopf hypersurfaces in the *n*-dimensional complex projective space  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  the corresponding principal curvature in the direction  $J\xi$  is constant. It is known that a tube over a Kähler submanifold in a complex projective space is a Hopf hypersurface. T.E. Cecil and P.J. Ryan studied the local and global structure of Hopf hypersurfaces with constant rank of the focal map  $\Phi_r$ .

Let M be an embedded hypersurface of  $\overline{M}(c)$  of the regularity class  $C^2$ . Let NM be the normal bundle of M with projection  $p: NM \to M$  and let BM be the unit normal bundle. For  $\xi \in NM$  let  $F(\xi)$  be the point in  $\overline{M}(c)$  reached by traversing a distance  $|\xi|$  along the geodesic in  $\overline{M}(c)$  originating at  $x = p(\xi)$  with the initial tangent vector  $\xi$ .

A point  $P \in \overline{M}(c)$  is called a focal point of multiplicity  $\nu > 0$  of (M, x) if  $P = F(\xi)$  and the Jacobian of the map F has nullity  $\nu$  at  $\xi$ .

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DEFINITION. The tube of radius r over M is the image of the map  $\Phi_r$ :  $BM \to \overline{M}(c)$  given by  $\Phi_r(\xi) = F(r\xi), \ \xi \in BM$ .

T.E. Cecil and P.J. Ryan proved the following result.

LEMMA 1 [1]. Let M be a connected, orientable Hopf hypersurface of  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ with corresponding constant principal curvature  $\mu = 2 \cot 2r$ . Suppose the map  $\Phi_r$  has constant rank q on M. Then q is even and every point  $x_0 \in M$  has a neighborhood U such that  $\Phi_r(U)$  is an embedded complex q/2-dimensional submanifold of  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ .

We remark that, in Lemma 1 and in Lemma 13 below,  $C^3$  regularity is enough. From Lemmas 1 and 13 we obtain that a Hopf hypersurface with  $\Phi_r$  of constant rank is an analytical hypersurface. It follows from this fact that  $\Phi_r(U)$  is a complex submanifold and parametrization functions of  $\Phi_r(U)$ satisfy an elliptic system of the PDE's with analytical coefficients. From  $C^2$ regularity of  $\Phi_r(U)$  we obtain that  $\Phi_r(U)$  is analytic.

The global version of Lemma 1 has the following form [1]:

Let M be a connected compact embedded real Hopf hypersurface in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ with corresponding constant principal curvature  $\mu = 2 \cot 2r$ . Suppose the map  $\Phi_r$  has constant rank q on M. Then  $\Phi_r$  factors through a holomorphic immersion of the complex q/2-dimensional manifold  $M/T_0$  into  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ , where  $T_0$  are (2n - q - 1)-dimensional spheres, the leaves of the distribution

$$T_0(x) = \{ y \in T_x M, \ (\Phi_r)_*(y) = 0 \}.$$

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## 1. The main results

The following theorem gives a complete description of the global structure of Hopf hypersurfaces in complex space forms.

Let M be an immersed regular hypersurface in a regular manifold N. Suppose that for a point  $P \in N$  of self-intersection the linear span of the tangent hyperplanes to the branches of M coincides with the tangent space  $T_PN$  of the ambient manifold. This point is called a generic point of self-intersection. If every point of self-intersection of the hypersurface M is a generic point of self-intersection then the hypersurface M is called a generic immersed hypersurface.

THEOREM 1. Let M be a  $C^{2n-1}$  regular compact generic immersed orientable Hopf hypersurface in the complex projective space  $\mathbb{C}P^n$   $(n \ge 2)$ . Then M is a tube over an irreducible algebraic variety.

COROLLARY. Let M be a  $C^{2n-1}$  regular connected compact embedded Hopf hypersurface in the complex projective space  $\mathbb{C}P^n$   $(n \ge 2)$ . Then M is a tube over an irreducible algebraic variety.

The following are some standard examples of Hopf hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  of constant holomorphic curvature 4.

1. A geodesic hypersphere M is the set of points at a fixed distance  $r < \frac{\pi}{2}$  from a point  $P \in \mathbb{C}P^n$ . It is obvious that M is also the tube of radius  $\frac{\pi}{2} - r$  over the hyperplane  $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1} \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  dual to the point P.

2. A tube over a totally geodesic space  $\mathbb{C}P^k$   $(1 \leq k \leq n-1)$ .

3. A tube over a totally geodesic real projective space  $RP^n$  and over a complex quadric  $Q^{n-1} = \{(z_0, \ldots, z_n\} \subset \mathbb{C}P^n : z_0^2 + z_1^2 + \cdots + z_n^2 = 0\}.$ 

A tube of small radius r over a closed irreducible algebraic manifold in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  is an analytic Hopf hypersurface. But let  $f = x_0^6 x_3^2 + x_1^3 x_2^5 = 0$  be the algebraic variety M in  $\mathbb{C}P^3$ . Then the point P(1, 0, 0, 0) is a singular point (since grad f/P = 0). In any neighborhood of the point P the normal curvatures at smooth points vary from  $-\infty$  to  $+\infty$ . From Lemma 12 below it follows that normal curvatures of the tube of any radius r tend to  $+\infty$ . It follows that the tube of any radius r has regularity less then  $C^{1,1}$ .

V. Miquel proved the following theorem:

THEOREM (V. MIQUEL, [13]). Let M be a connected compact embedded Hopf hypersurface in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  contained in a geodesic ball of radius  $R < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Suppose that

- (1) M has constant mean curvature H.
- (2) The principal curvature  $\mu$  in the direction  $J\xi$  satisfies the inequality

$$\mu \ge 2 \cot \left( 2 \operatorname{arc} \operatorname{cot} \left[ \frac{(2n-1)H - \mu}{2n-2} \right] \right).$$

Then M is a geodesic hypersphere.

We prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 2. Let M be a  $C^{2n-1}$  regular connected compact generic immersed orientable Hopf hypersurface in the complex projective space  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  $(n \ge 2)$  contained in a geodesic ball of radius  $R < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Then M is a geodesic hypersphere.

Let  $\mathbf{C}H^n$  be the complex hyperbolic space of constant holomorphic curvature -4. We prove the following theorem.

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THEOREM 3. Let M be a connected compact generic immersed orientable  $C^{2n-1}$  regular Hopf hypersurface in the complex hyperbolic space  $\mathbb{C}H^n$   $(n \ge 2)$ . Then the Hopf hypersurface M is a geodesic hypersphere.

# 2. Lemmas

LEMMA 2 (Y. MAEDA, [11]). Let M be a connected Hopf hypersurface in the complex projective space  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ . Then the principal curvature  $\mu$  of M in the direction  $J\xi$  is constant.

Let  $A_{\xi}$  be the shape operator of M.

LEMMA 3 (T.E. CECIL, P.J. RYAN [1]). Suppose  $J\xi$  is an eigenvector of  $A_{\xi}$  with an eigenvalue  $\mu$ . Then we have:

- (a)  $(F_*)_{r\xi}(X, 0) = 0$  if  $\lambda = \cot r$  is an eigenvalue of  $A_{\xi}$  and X is a vector in the eigenspace  $T_{\lambda}$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .
- (b)  $(F_*)_{r\xi}(J\xi, 0) = 0$  if  $\mu = 2 \cot 2r$ .
- (c)  $(F_*)_{r\xi}(X, V) \neq 0$  except as determined by (a) and (b).

Now, let M be a real hypersurface of a complex space form  $\overline{M}^n(c)$  of constant holomorphic curvature 4c and let  $\xi$  be a unit normal field on M. If  $X \in T_P M$ ,  $P \in M$ , then one has a decomposition

$$JX = \phi X + f(X)\xi$$

into the tangent and normal components, respectively. So,  $\phi$  is a (1, 1)-tensor field and f is a 1-form. These satisfy

$$\phi^2 X = -X + f(X)U, \quad \phi U = 0, \quad f(\phi X) = 0$$

for any vector field X tangent to M, where  $U = -J\xi$ . Moreover, we have

$$g(\phi X, Y) + g(X, \phi Y) = 0, \quad f(X) = g(X, U),$$
$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - f(X)f(Y)$$

with g the metric tensor in  $\overline{M}^n(c)$ . We denote by A the shape operator on  $T_P M$  associated with  $\xi$ .

Lemma 4.

1. ([9]) Let M be a Hopf hypersurface in  $\overline{M}^n(c)$ . Then we have:

(a)  $-2c\phi = \mu(\phi A + A\phi) - 2A\phi A$ ,

(b)  $X\mu = (U\mu)f(X),$ 

and

$$(U\mu) g ((\phi A + A\phi)X, Y) = 0.$$

where  $\mu$  is the principal curvature in the direction  $U = -J\xi$ , X, Y are vectors tangent to M, and  $U\mu$  is the derivative of the function  $\mu$  in the direction U.

Moreover, if  $\phi A + A\phi = 0$  then

$$cg(X, \phi Y) = -g(\phi AX, AY) = g(A\phi X, AY),$$
  

$$cg(\phi X, \phi X) = -g(A\phi X, A\phi X)$$

and so  $c \leq 0$ .

2. ([11]) Let 
$$M$$
 be a Hopf hypersurface in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ . If  $X \in T_{\alpha} \subset T_P M$ , then  
 $JX \in T_{\mu\alpha+2/2\alpha-\mu} \subset T_P M$ ,

where  $T_{\alpha}$  is an eigenspace corresponding to a principal curvature  $\alpha$ .

It follows from equation (a) of the first part of the lemma that  $\alpha$  cannot be equal to  $\mu$  or  $\mu/2$ .

DEFINITION. Let A be a subset of a metric space X. Let  $\delta(A)$  denote the diameter of A, and let

$$\delta^{p}(A) = [\delta(A)]^{p} \text{ for } p > 0,$$
  
$$\delta^{0}(A) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A \neq \emptyset, \\ 0 & \text{if } A = \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

For  $p \ge 0$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$  define

$$H^p_{\varepsilon}(A) = \inf\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta^p(A_n) : A \subset \bigcup A_n \text{ and } \delta(A_n) < \varepsilon\right\},\$$
$$H^p(A) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} H^p_{\varepsilon}(A) = \sup H^p_{\varepsilon}(A).$$

We call  $H^p$  the Hausdorff *p*-measure.

LEMMA 5 (H. FEDERER, [4]). If  $m > \nu \ge 0$  and  $k \ge 1$  are integers, A is an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $B \subset A$ , Y is a normed vector space and  $f : A \to Y$  is a map of class  $\mathbb{C}^k$  such that

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$$f_*(x) \leq \nu$$
 for  $x \in B$ ,

then

$$H^{\nu + (m-\nu)/k}[f(B)] = 0.$$

DEFINITION. Let  $\Omega$  be a complex manifold. A set  $A \subset \Omega$  is called an analytic set in  $\Omega$  if for each point  $a \in \Omega$  there exists a neighborhood U of a and functions  $f_1, \ldots, f_N$  holomorphic in U such that  $A \cap U = Z_{f_1} \cap \cdots \cap Z_{f_k} \cap U$ , where  $Z_f$  is the set of zeros of a holomorphic function f.

A point *a* of an analytic set *A* is called a regular point if there exists a neighborhood *U* of *a* in  $\Omega$  such that  $A \cap U$  is a complex submanifold of *U*. The complex dimension of  $A \cap U$  is then called the dimension of *A* at the point *a* and is denoted by dim<sub>*a*</sub> *A*. The set of all regular points of an analytic set is denoted by reg *A*. Its complement  $A \setminus \operatorname{reg} A$  is denoted by sng *A*. The

set  $\operatorname{sng} A$  is called the set of singular points of the set A. It can be shown by induction on the dimension of the manifold  $\Omega$  that  $\operatorname{sng} A$  is nowhere dense and closed. This allows us to define the dimension of A at any point a of Aas

$$\dim_a A = \lim \dim_z A \ (z \in \operatorname{reg} A).$$

The set A is called purely p-dimensional if  $\dim_z A = p$  for all  $z \in A$  (see [2], [3]).

LEMMA 6 (B. SHIFFMAN, [16]). Let E be a closed subset of a complex manifold  $\Omega$  and let A be a purely q-dimensional analytic subset of  $\Omega \setminus E$ . If  $H^{2q-1}(E) = 0$  then the closure  $\overline{A}$  of the set A in  $\Omega$  is a purely q-dimensional analytic subset of  $\Omega$ .

DEFINITION (D. MUMFORD, [14]). Let  $U \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  be an open set. A closed subset  $X \subset U$  is a \*-analytic subset of U if X can be decomposed as

$$X = X^{(r)} \cup X^{(r-1)} \cup \dots \cup X^{(0)},$$

where for all  $i, X^{(i)}$  is an *i*-dimensional complex submanifold of U and  $\overline{X}^{(i)} \subset X^{(i)} \cup X^{(i-1)} \cdots \cup X^{(0)}$ . If  $X^{(r)} \neq \emptyset$ , then r is called the dimension of X.

An analytic set is always \*-analytic [14].

LEMMA 7 (CHOW'S THEOREM, [14]). If  $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  is a closed \*-analytic subset, then X is a finite union of algebraic varieties.

LEMMA 8 [3] . An analytic set A in a complex manifold  $\Sigma$  is irreducible if and only if the set reg A is connected.

Let  $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  denote a closed irreducible algebraic variety of dimension l(which may have singularities), and let  $X_e \subset X$  denote the (non-empty) open subset of its smooth points. (For the definitions of irreducible, singular and smooth points see [14].) Define

$$V'_X = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}P^n \times \mathbb{C}\breve{P}^n \, | \, x \in X_e \text{ and } y \text{ is tangent hyperplane at } x \right\},\$$

where  $\mathbf{C}\breve{P}^n$  is the dual complex projective space.

The closure  $V_X$  of  $V'_X$  in the Zariski topology on  $\mathbb{C}P^n \times \mathbb{C}P^n$  is called the tangent hyperplane bundle of X. It is a closed irreducible algebraic variety of dimension (n-1). The first projection maps  $V_X$  onto X:

$$\pi_1: V_X \to X, \quad (x, y) \to x.$$

Consider now the second projection

$$\pi_2: V_X \to \mathbf{C}\check{P}^n, \quad (x, y) \to y.$$

Its image  $\check{X} = \pi_2(V_X)$  is a closed irreducible variety of  $\mathbf{C}\check{P}^n$  of dimension at most (n-1), the dual variety of X [9].

LEMMA 9 (DUALITY THEOREM) [6, 10]. The tangent hyperplane bundles of a closed irreducible algebraic variety X and its dual variety  $\breve{X}$  coincide: We have  $V_{\breve{X}} = V_X$  and hence  $\breve{\breve{X}} = X$ .

Let  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  be the complex projective space with a standard Fubini-Study metric. To a hyperplane  $L \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  passing through a point  $x \in \mathbb{C}P^n$  we associate the point  $y \in \mathbb{C}P^n$  representing the complex line in  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  orthogonal to L. Then the distance  $\rho(x, y)$  is equal to  $\pi/2$ . One can identify  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  with  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  in this way and consider  $\check{X}$  as a subset in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ .

It is possible to define a tube over a closed irreducible algebraic variety  $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  which may have singularities. Let  $(x, y) \in V_X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n \times \mathbb{C}P^n = \mathbb{C}P^n \times \mathbb{C}P^n$ ,  $x \in X, y \in \check{X}$ , and let L(x, y) be a complex projective line through  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}P^n$ . Then L(x, y) is a totally geodesic two-dimensional sphere in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$  of curvature 4, the distance  $\rho(x, y)$  is equal to  $\pi/2$ , and x and y are poles of the sphere L(x, y). The set of points of L(x, y) at a distance r from the point x is a circle  $S_r(x, y)$  with the center x. The union

$$S_r = \bigcup_{(x,y)\in V_X} S_r(x, y)$$

is called the tube of radius r over X. The set  $S_r$  is also the tube of radius  $\frac{\pi}{2} - r$  over the dual variety  $\breve{X}$ .

If all the points of X are regular, this definition coincides with one given above.

The set of points  $\operatorname{sng} V_X \subset V_X$  such that  $(x, y) \in \operatorname{sng} V_X$  if  $x \in \operatorname{sng} X$  or  $y \in \operatorname{sng} \check{X}$  is a closed algebraic subvariety of  $V_X$ ,  $\operatorname{reg} V_X = V_X \setminus \operatorname{sng} V_X$  is an open set of  $V_X$  in the Zariski topology.

Let  $X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  be a closed irreducible algebraic variety and let  $x_0$  be a Zariski open set in X. Then the closure of  $x_0$  in the classical topology is X [14].

Consider the Segre map

$$\sigma: \mathbf{C}P^n \times \mathbf{C}\breve{P}^n \to \mathbf{C}P^{(n+1)^2 - 1}$$

Then  $\sigma(V_X)$  is a closed irreducible algebraic variety in  $\mathbb{C}P^{(n+1)^2-1}$ , and the set reg  $V_X$  is an open set of  $V_X$  in the Zariski topology.

As corollary we obtain the following result.

LEMMA 10. The closure of the set  $\operatorname{reg} V_X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n \times \mathbb{C}P^n$  in the standard topology coincides with the tangent bundle  $V_X$ .

Therefore the tube over X is the closure of the set

$$\bigcup_{(x,y)\in \operatorname{Reg}V_X} S_r(x, y).$$

LEMMA 11 [5]. Let X be a compact topological space. Suppose A is a closed subset such that  $X \setminus A$  is a smooth n-dimensional orientable manifold without boundary. Then

$$H_q(X, A) \simeq H^{n-q}(X \setminus A),$$

where  $H_i$  and  $H^i$  are homology and cohomology groups.

LEMMA 12 [1]. Suppose  $J\xi$  is an eigenvector of the shape operator  $A_{\xi}$  of a Hopf hypersurface M in the complex projective space, with the corresponding eigenvalue  $2 \cot 2\Theta$ ,  $0 < \Theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Suppose  $J\xi$ ,  $X_2$ , ...,  $X_n$  is a basis of principal vectors of  $A_{\xi}$  with  $A_{\xi}X_j = \cot \Theta_j X_j$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq n$ ,  $0 < \Theta_j < \pi$ ;  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t_j}$  $(2 \leq j \leq k)$  are normal vectors. Then the shape operator  $A_r$  of the tube  $\Phi_r$  is given in terms of its principal vectors by

n;

(a) 
$$A_r\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t_j}\right) = -\cot r\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t_j}\right), \quad 2 \leq j \leq k;$$
  
(b)  $A_r\left(X_j, 0\right) = \cot\left(\Theta_j - r\right)\left(X_j, 0\right), \quad 2 \leq j \leq$   
(c)  $A_r(J\xi, 0) = \cot\left(2(\Theta - r)\right)\left(J\xi, 0\right).$ 

For a complex hyperbolic space  $\mathbf{C}H^n$  the following analog of Lemma 1

holds:

LEMMA 13 [13]. Let M be an orientable Hopf hypersurface of  $\mathbb{C}H^n$  such that the principal curvature  $\mu$  in the direction  $J\xi$  is constant and equal to  $\mu = 2 \coth 2r$ . Suppose that  $\Phi_r$  has constant rank q on M. Then for every point  $x_0 \in M$  there exists an open neighborhood U of  $x_0$  such that  $\Phi_r U$  is a q/2-dimensional complex submanifold embedded in  $\mathbb{C}H^n$ .

LEMMA 14 [15]. Let  $\Omega$  be a Hermitian complex manifold with exact fundamental form  $\omega = d\gamma$ . Let A be an analytical q-dimensional set with boundary  $\partial A \subset \Omega$  such that  $A \cup \partial A$  is compact. Then

$$H^{2q}(A) \leqslant \frac{1}{q} \left( \max_{\partial A} |\gamma| \right) H^{2q-1}(\partial A),$$

where  $H^{2q}(A)$ ,  $H^{2q-1}(\partial A)$  are Hausdorff measures, and

$$|\gamma|(z) = \max\{|\gamma(v)|: v \in T_z\Omega, |v| = 1\}$$

LEMMA 15 [8]. Let M be a Hopf hypersurface of a complex space form  $\overline{M}^n(c)$   $(c \neq 0)$ . If U is an eigenvector of A, then the principal curvature  $\mu = g(AU, U)$  is constant.

# 3. Proofs of the theorems

Let  $M_s$  be the set of points of M such that rank  $(\Phi_r)_*(M_s) = s$ ,  $F_s = \Phi_r(M_s)$ ,  $F = \Phi_r(M)$ . From Lemma 4 we obtain that if  $X \in T_\alpha \subset T_P M$ , where  $T_\alpha$  is the eigenspace corresponding to the principal curvature  $\alpha = \cot r$ , then  $JX \in T_\alpha$ . Hence s is even and if s < 2q then  $s \leq 2q - 2$ .

Let

$$E = \bigcup_{s < 2q} F_s \cup F_0,$$
  
$$F_0 = \left\{ x \in F : x = \Phi_r(L_1) = \Phi_r(L_2), \ L_1 \neq L_2 \subset M, \\ \operatorname{rank}(\Phi_r)_*(P_1) = \operatorname{rank}(\Phi_r)_*(P_2) = 2q \right\}$$

for  $P_i \in L_i$ , where the  $L_i$  are leaves of the distribution  $\operatorname{Ker}(\Phi_r)_*$ .

Proof of Theorem 1. Let M be a compact Hopf hypersurface in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ . This means that the vector  $J\xi$  is a principal direction of M, where  $\xi$  is the unit normal vector and J is the complex structure in  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ . From Lemma 2 it follows that the corresponding principal curvature  $\mu$  is constant and  $\mu =$  $2 \cot 2r$ . Let 2q be the maximal rank of  $(\Phi_r)_*$  on M. Let  $P \in M$  be a point such that rank  $(\Phi_r)_*(P) = 2q$  and let  $M_{2q}$  be the corresponding connected component of M such that  $P \in M_{2q}$  and for  $Q \in M_{2q}$ , rank  $(\Phi)_*(Q) = 2q$ . Set  $F_{2q} = \Phi_r(M_{2q}), \tilde{F} = F_{2q} \cap (\mathbb{C}P^n \setminus E)$ . From Lemma 1 we obtain that  $\tilde{F}$ is a purely analytic set,  $\dim_z \tilde{F} = q, z \in \tilde{F}$ .

Locally,  $F_0$  is a transversal intersection of two complex submanifolds of dimension q. Hence  $F_0$  is an analytic set of real dimension  $\leq 2q - 2$  and Hausdorff measure

$$H^{2q-1}(F_0) = 0$$

Now apply Lemma 5 to the set  $E_1 = \bigcup_{s < 2q} F_s$  and the map  $\Phi_r$ . Then  $\nu \leq 2q-2$ .

If the class of regularity of M is greater or equal to 2(n-q+1), then the class of regularity of  $\Phi_r$  is  $k \ge 2(n-q+1)-1$  and

$$\nu + \frac{2n-1-\nu}{k} \leqslant 2q-2 + \frac{2n-1}{k} \leqslant 2q-1$$

for  $k \ge 2n-1$ . From Lemma 5 we have  $H^{2q-1}(E_1) = 0$  and so  $H^{2q-1}(E) = 0$ . From Lemma 6 we obtain that the closure of  $\widetilde{F}$  is a purely q-dimensional analytic subset of  $\mathbb{C}P^n$ . Since any analytic subset is \*-analytic we obtain from Chow's Theorem (Lemma 7) that  $\operatorname{cl} \widetilde{F} \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  is a finite union of algebraic varieties. An analytic set A is irreducible if and only if the set reg A is connected. From Lemma 8 it follows that  $\operatorname{cl} \widetilde{F}$  is irreducible as analytic set and we obtain that  $\operatorname{cl} \widetilde{F} = X$  is an irreducible algebraic variety.

Let  $S_r$  be a tube over  $X = \operatorname{cl} \widetilde{F}$ . By Lemma 10 we have  $S_r \subset M$  and  $S_r = \operatorname{cl} M_{2q}$ . We will prove that  $\operatorname{cl} M_{2q} = M$ . Suppose that  $\operatorname{cl} M_{2q} \neq M$ . Then in every neighborhood of a point  $P \in \partial M_{2q}$  there exist points  $Q \in M \setminus \operatorname{cl} M_{2q}$ . Let  $P \in \partial M_{2q}$ . Then  $P \in S_r(x, y)$  such that  $x \in \operatorname{sng} X, y \in \operatorname{sng} \widetilde{X}$ . Then

$$\partial M_{2q} = \bigcup_{x \in \operatorname{sng} X, y \in \operatorname{sng} \check{X}} S_r(x, y).$$

Otherwise some neighborhood of P belongs to  $\operatorname{cl} M_{2q}$  and  $P \in \operatorname{int} \operatorname{cl} M_{2q}$ . The set of points

$$\operatorname{sng}(X, \check{X}) = \operatorname{sng} X \times \mathbb{C}P^n \cap \mathbb{C}P^n \times \operatorname{sng} \check{X} \subset V_X \subset \mathbb{C}P^n \times \mathbb{C}P^n$$

is a closed algebraic subvariety of  $V_X$ . The dimension of  $\operatorname{sng}(X, \check{X})$  is  $\leq n-2$  because the dimension of  $V_X$  is equal to n-1. The set  $\partial M_{2q}$  is a fiber bundle over  $\operatorname{sng}(X, \check{X})$  with the circle  $S^1$  as a leaf. The real dimension of  $\operatorname{sng}(X, \check{X})$  is  $\leq 2(n-2)$ , whence

$$H_{2n-3}\left(\operatorname{sng}\left(X,\,\breve{X}\right),\,\mathbf{Z}\right)=0.$$

For  $E = \partial M_{2q}$ ,  $B = \operatorname{sng}(X, \check{X})$ ,  $F = S^1$  the exact Thom-Gysin sequence has the form [17]

$$H_{2n-1}\left(\operatorname{sng}\left(X,\,\breve{X}\right),\,\mathbf{Z}\right) \to H_{2n-3}\left(\operatorname{sng}\left(X,\,\breve{X}\right),\,\mathbf{Z}\right) \to$$
$$\to H_{2n-2}\left(\partial M_{2q},\,\mathbf{Z}\right) \to H_{2n-2}\left(\operatorname{sng}\left(X,\,\breve{X}\right),\,\mathbf{Z}\right),$$
$$0 \to 0 \to H_{2n-2}\left(\partial M_{2q},\,\mathbf{Z}\right) \to 0.$$

We obtain

$$H_{2n-2}\left(\partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}\right) = 0$$

Next, we apply Lemma 11 with X = M,  $A = \partial M_{2q}$ . Then

$$H_{2n-1}(M, \ \partial M_{2q}) = H^0(M \setminus \partial M_{2q}).$$

But  $M \setminus \partial M_{2q}$  has m > 1 connected components and

$$H^0(M \setminus \partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}) = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \mathbf{Z}$$

is the direct sum of m copies of  $\mathbf{Z}$  [17].

For the pair  $(M, \partial M_{2q})$  the exact homology sequence has the form

$$H_{2n-1}\left(\partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}\right) \to H_{2n-1}\left(M, \mathbf{Z}\right) \to H_{2n-1}\left(M, \partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}\right) \to \\ \to H_{2n-2}\left(\partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}\right),$$

 $H_{2n-1}(\partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}) = H_{2n-2}(\partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}) = 0; \quad H_{2n-1}(M, \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{Z}.$ 

It follows that  $H_{2n-1}(M, \partial M_{2q}, \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{Z}$ , contradicting the above result. Thus  $\operatorname{cl} M_{2q} = M$  and M is a tube over the irreducible algebraic variety  $\operatorname{cl} \widetilde{F} = X$ .

Proof of Theorem 2. Let S be the hypersphere of minimal radius  $r_0$  such that the hypersurface M is contained in the ball D with boundary  $\partial D = S$ . Let P be a point of tangency of M and S. Let  $\xi$  be the inward unit normal vector at the point P. Then the principal curvature in the direction  $J\xi$  is  $\mu = 2 \cot 2\rho \ge 2 \cot 2r_0$ , and so  $\rho \le r_0 < \pi/2$ . Another principal curvature  $k_i = \cot \Theta_i$  at the point P satisfies  $\cot \Theta_i \ge \cot r_0$ , where  $2 \cot 2r_0$ ,  $\cot r_0$ 

are principal curvatures of the hypersphere S. Then  $\Theta_i \leq r_0$ . Let  $r = \rho - \pi/2$ . From Lemma 12 we obtain that the principal curvatures of the tube  $\Phi_r$  over M are equal to

$$(k_i)_r = \operatorname{tg}(\rho - \Theta_i) \leq \operatorname{tg}(r_0 - \Theta_i) < \infty.$$

Hence rank  $(\Phi_r)_*(P) = 2(n-1)$ , and from Theorem 1 we get that  $\Phi_r(M) =$ cl  $\tilde{F} = X$  is an irreducible hypersurface of degree d. Let  $X_k$  be a sequence of smooth algebraic hypersurfaces such that  $\lim X_k = X$ , degree  $X_k = d$  [7], and let  $\check{X}$  and  $\check{X}_k$  be dual algebraic varieties. Then

$$M = \Phi_{\frac{\pi}{2}-r}(X) = \Phi_r(X),$$

and from Lemma 9 we obtain  $\check{X} = \lim \check{X}_k$ . From the above argument we have for  $\Phi_{\frac{\pi}{2}-r}(X_k) = M_k$ ,

$$\lim M_k = M.$$

For large k,  $M_k$  is contained in the balls  $D_k$  of radius  $R < \pi/2$ , and  $M_k$  does not intersect complex projective space  $x_0 = 0$ .

Let f = 0 be the equation of the algebraic hypersurface  $X_n$  where f is a homogeneous polynomial, grad  $f \neq 0$ . By Bezout's Theorem [15] the system of equations

$$x_0 = 0, \quad f = 0, \quad f_{x_0} = 0$$

has a nontrivial solution if  $n \ge 3$  and the degree of the polynomial f is  $\ge 2$ . This means that  $M_k$  intersects the hyperplane  $x_0 = 0$ . It follows that f is a linear function and the  $X_k$  are all hyperplanes, and the  $M_k$  are hyperspheres. Then the hypersurface M is a geodesic hypersphere, too.

For n = 2 the equation of the tube has the parametric form

$$z_j = x_j \cos r + \sin r \frac{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j}}{|\text{grad } f|} e^{it},$$

where the  $x_j$  are coordinates of points of the algebraic variety,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ , and r is radius of the tube  $\Phi_r$ ; j = 0, 1, 2.

From the real point of view X is a compact two-dimensional manifold. Let

$$g_1 = |x_0 \cos r|, \quad g_2 = \left| \frac{\overline{\partial f}}{|\operatorname{grad} f|} \sin r \right|.$$

If the degree of the polynomial f is  $\geq 2$ , the zero sets of these regular functions on the manifold X are non empty on the manifold X. Hence there exists a point  $P \in X$  such that  $g_1 = g_2 = \rho$ . Then  $z_0 = \rho \left(e^{i\alpha} + e^{i(\beta+t)}\right)$ . Moreover, if  $t = \alpha - \beta - \pi$  then  $z_0 = 0$ . This means that  $M_k$  intersects the hyperplane  $x_0 = 0$ . Thus f is a linear function and  $M_k$  and M are geodesic hyperspheres as in the case  $n \geq 3$ . A. A. BORISENKO

Proof of Theorem 3. Let S be the hypersphere of minimal radius  $r_0$  such that the hypersurface M is contained in the ball D with boundary S. Let  $P_0$  be a point of tangency of M and S. Let  $\xi$  be the inward unit normal vector of M at the point  $P_0$ . From Lemma 15 it follows that the principal curvature  $\mu$  in the direction  $J\xi$  is constant. At the point  $P_0$  this curvature satisfies the inequality  $\mu \ge 2 \coth 2r_0$  and  $\mu = 2 \coth 2r$ . We now follow the proof of Theorem 1, using Lemma 13 instead of Lemma 1. Consider the map  $\Phi_r$ . For a Hopf hypersurface, rank  $(\Phi_r)_*$  is always even. This follows from Lemma 4.

Suppose 2q is the maximal rank of  $(\Phi_r)_*$  at the points of M. Let  $P \in M$  be a point such that rank  $(\Phi_r)_*(P) = 2q$  and  $M_{2q}$  is the connected component of M such that for  $Q \in M_{2q}$ , rank  $(\Phi_r)_*(Q) = 2q$ . As in the proof of Theorem 1, set

$$F = \Phi_r(M), \quad F_{2q} = \Phi_r(M_{2q}), \quad F_s = \Phi_r(M_s),$$
$$E = F_0 \bigcup_{s < 2q} F_s, \quad \widetilde{F} = F_{2q} \cap \mathbf{C} H^n \setminus E.$$

We obtain that  $\operatorname{cl} \widetilde{F} = X$  is a compact analytic set in  $\mathbb{C}H^n$  with boundary  $\partial X \subset E$ . The Hausdorff measure  $H^{2q-1}(\partial X)$  is equal to 0. From Lemma 14 it follows that  $H^{2q}(X) = 0$ . This is possible only if q = 0 and X is a point. Thus M is a tube over a point and M is a geodesic hypersphere.

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