

## ON THE HOLONOMY GROUPS OF KÄHLERIAN MANIFOLDS WITH VANISHING BOCHNER CURVATURE TENSOR

Dedicated to Professor Shigeo Sasaki on his 60th birthday

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a Kählerian manifold of complex dimension  $n$  with the almost complex structure  $J$  and the Kählerian metric  $g$ .

S. Bochner [1] introduced so called Bochner curvature tensor  $B$  on  $M$  as follows;

$$\begin{aligned} B(X, Y) = & R(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2n+4} [R^1 X \wedge Y + X \wedge R^1 Y + R^1 JX \wedge JY \\ & + JX \wedge R^1 JY - 2g(JX, R^1 Y)J - 2g(JX, Y)R^1 \circ J] \\ & + \frac{\text{trace } R^1}{(2n+4)(2n+2)} [X \wedge Y + JX \wedge JY - 2g(JX, Y)J] \end{aligned}$$

for any tangent vectors  $X$  and  $Y$ , where  $R$  and  $R^1$  are the Riemannian curvature tensor of  $M$  and a field of symmetric endomorphism which corresponds to the Ricci tensor  $R_1$  of  $M$ , that is,  $g(R^1 X, Y) = R_1(X, Y)$ , respectively.  $X \wedge Y$  denotes the endomorphism which maps  $Z$  upon  $g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y$ .

But we do not know what kind of transformations in  $M$  leave  $B$  invariant [10].

The purpose of the present paper is to classify the restricted homogeneous holonomy group of  $M$  with vanishing  $B$ .

**THEOREM.** *Let  $(M, J, g)$  be a connected Kählerian manifold of complex dimension  $n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) with vanishing Bochner curvature tensor. Then its restricted homogeneous holonomy group  $H_{x_0}$  at some point  $x_0 \in M$  is in general the unitary group  $U(n)$  [10]. If  $H_{x_0}$  is not  $U(n)$ , then we can classify into the following two cases:*

- (I)  $H_{x_0}$  is identity and  $M$  is locally flat.
- (II)  $H_{x_0}$  is  $U(k) \times U(n-k)$  and  $M$  is a locally product manifold of an  $k$ -dimensional space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $K$  and an  $(n-k)$ -dimensional space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-K$  ( $K \neq 0$ ).







**3. Proof of theorem.** In this section, the complex dimension  $n$  of  $M$  is assumed to be greater than 2. The case  $n = 2$  will be treated in the next section.

**LEMMA 3.1.** *At a point  $x \in M$ , we take a basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, Je_1, \dots, Je_n\}$  of  $T_x(M)$  satisfying (2.2). If  $\sigma_{ij}$  defined in (2.4) is equal to zero for any  $i, j$  ( $i \neq j$ ), then  $R = 0$  at  $x$ .*

**PROOF.** The assumption of the lemma is equivalent to

$$A - (n + 1)(\lambda_i + \lambda_j) = 0 \quad \text{for any } i, j \ (i \neq j).$$

This implies  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$  as  $n \geq 3$ , that is,  $R^1 = 0$ . Then  $R = 0$  by (2.1). q.e.d.

To prove the theorem, we first assume that  $M$  is not locally flat. By lemma 3.1, there exists at least one point  $x_0 \in M$  where  $\sigma_{ij}$  does not vanish for some  $i, j$  ( $i \neq j$ ). Then,  $H_{x_0}$  contains  $SU[i, j]$  by (2.5), (2.6), and (2.8). Hence, there are following two cases:

- (1)  $H_{x_0}$  contains  $SU(n)$ .
- (2)  $H_{x_0}$  does not contain  $SU(n)$ .

Case (1): In this case,  $H_{x_0}$  must be equal to  $U(n)$  or  $SU(n)$  itself, because  $SU(n)$  is the only closed connected subgroup of dimension  $n^2 - 1$  in  $U(n)$ ; in fact, let us assume that  $U(n)$  contains a closed connected subgroup  $G$  of dimension  $n^2 - 1$  which does not coincide with  $SU(n)$ . Then, the dimension of  $su(n) \cap \mathfrak{g}$  is  $n^2 - 2$  where  $\mathfrak{g}$  is the Lie algebra of  $G$ . As  $SU(n)$  is compact and simple, the Killing form  $\varphi$  of  $su(n)$  is negative definite. Thus, we can take an orthonormal (with respect to  $-\varphi$ ) basis  $\{f_1, \dots, f_{m-1}, f_m\}$  of  $su(n)$  such that  $\{f_1, \dots, f_{m-1}\}$  is a basis of  $su(n) \cap \mathfrak{g}$  where  $m = n^2 - 1$ . Then we have

$$\varphi([f_a, f_m], f_m) = \varphi(f_a, [f_m, f_m]) = 0 \quad (1 \leq a \leq m - 1)$$

which implies that  $[f_a, f_m] \in su(n) \cap \mathfrak{g}$  as  $\varphi$  is definite. Of course,  $[f_a, f_b] \in su(n) \cap \mathfrak{g}$  ( $1 \leq a, b \leq m - 1$ ). This means that  $su(n) \cap \mathfrak{g}$  is an ideal of  $su(n)$  which contradicts the fact that  $su(n)$  is simple<sup>1)</sup>.

On the other hand,  $H_{x_0} = SU(n)$  occurs if and only if the Ricci tensor  $R_i$  vanishes identically by the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.2.** [4] *For a Kählerian manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$ , the restricted homogeneous holonomy group is contained in  $SU(n)$  if and only if the Ricci tensor vanishes identically. But, by (2.1), this contradicts the assumption that  $M$  is not locally flat. Therefore, the case (1) occurs when and only when  $H_{x_0} = U(n)$ .*

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Case (2): In this case, there exist  $k$  ( $2 \leq k \leq n-1$ ) and  $i_1, \dots, i_k$  such that  $H_{x_0}$  contains  $SU[i_1, \dots, i_k]$  but does not contain  $SU[i_1, \dots, i_k, j]$  for any  $j$ . We change the indices suitably and assume that  $H_{x_0}$  contains  $SU[1, \dots, k]$  but does not contain  $SU[1, \dots, k, j]$  for any  $j, j > k$ .

LEMMA 3.3. *If  $h_{x_0}$  contains  $su[1, \dots, k]$  and  $su[i, j]$  for some  $i, j$  satisfying  $1 \leq i \leq k$  and  $k+1 \leq j \leq n$ , then  $h_{x_0}$  contains  $su[1, \dots, k, j]$ .*

PROOF. We can take as bases of  $su[1, \dots, k]$  and  $su[i, j]$  the sets of matrices

$$\{M_{ab}^{(1)}, M_{ab}^{(2)}, M_{12}^{(3)}, \dots, M_{1k}^{(3)}; 1 \leq a < b \leq k\}$$

and

$$\{M_{ij}^{(1)}, M_{ij}^{(2)}, M_{ij}^{(3)}\},$$

respectively. On the other hand, we have the following equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} [M_{pq}^{(1)}, M_{qr}^{(2)}] &= -M_{pr}^{(2)} & (1 \leq p < q < r \leq n), \\ M_{1p}^{(3)} + M_{pq}^{(3)} &= M_{1q}^{(3)} & (1 < p < q \leq n), \\ [M_{pr}^{(2)}, M_{pr}^{(3)}] &= 2M_{pr}^{(1)} & (1 \leq p < r \leq n). \end{aligned}$$

This means that if  $h_{x_0}$  contains  $su[1, \dots, k]$  and  $su[i, j]$ , then it contains

$$\{M_{ab}^{(1)}, M_{cj}^{(1)}, M_{ab}^{(2)}, M_{cj}^{(2)}, M_{12}^{(3)}, \dots, M_{1k}^{(3)}, M_{1j}^{(3)}; 1 \leq a < b \leq k, 1 \leq c \leq k\}$$

which is a basis of  $su[1, \dots, k, j]$ .

q.e.d.

By Lemma 3.3,  $H_{x_0}$  can not contain  $SU[a, u]$  ( $a=1, \dots, k, u = k+1, \dots, n$ ) and we get

$$(3.1) \quad \sigma_{au} = 0 \quad (a = 1, \dots, k, u = k+1, \dots, n).$$

Then, by (2.4), we have

$$(3.2) \quad \lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_k (= \lambda), \lambda_{k+1} = \dots = \lambda_n (= \mu)$$

and

$$(3.3) \quad (n+1-k)\lambda + (k+1)\mu = 0,$$

from which we have  $\lambda \neq \mu$ . Hence, we have

$$\sigma_{ab} = \frac{1}{2(n+1)(n+2)} [(2n+2-k)\lambda - (n-k)\mu] \quad (1 \leq a < b \leq k),$$

$$\sigma_{uv} = \frac{1}{2(n+1)(n+2)} [-k\lambda + (n+2+k)\mu] \quad (k+1 \leq u < v \leq n),$$

which cannot vanish by (3.3). Hence,  $H_{x_0}$  contains  $U[1, \dots, k] \times U[k+1, \dots, n]$  by (2.5), (2.6), (2.7) and (2.8).

Next, we take a point  $x$  in the neighborhood of  $x_0$  and choose a

basis  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, Je_1, \dots, Je_n\}$  of  $T_x(M)$  satisfying (2.2) and hence (2.3). By the continuity of characteristic roots of  $R^1$ , when  $x$  is sufficiently near  $x_0$ , we may conclude that

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{cases} \sigma_{ab} \neq 0 & (1 \leq a < b \leq k), \\ \sigma_{uv} \neq 0 & (k + 1 \leq u < v \leq n), \end{cases}$$

as they are so at  $x_0$ . Hence,  $H_x$  contains  $SU[1, \dots, k]$  and  $SU[k+1, \dots, n]$  by (2.5), (2.6) and (2.8). If  $H_x$  contains none of  $SU[1, \dots, k, j]$ , (3.1) holds good. In the case  $k = n - 1$ ,  $H_x$  contains  $SU[1, \dots, n - 1]$  but does not contain  $SU[1, \dots, n]$  as  $H_x$  is isomorphic to  $H_{x_0}$  by the connectivity of  $M$ . Therefore, we consider the case  $k < n - 1$ .

We change the indices of  $e_{k+1}, \dots, e_n, Je_{k+1}, \dots, Je_n$ , in such a way that  $H_x$  contains  $SU[1, \dots, k, k + 1, \dots, k + r]$  ( $k + r \leq n - 1$ ) and non of  $SU[1, \dots, k, k + 1, \dots, k + r, k + r + s]$ , because  $H_x$  is isomorphic to  $H_{x_0}$ . Then we get by the repetition of the above process

$$\sigma_{uv} = 0 \quad (u = k + 1, \dots, k + r; v = k + r + 1, \dots, n).$$

This contradicts (3.4). Thus we can take bases at each point of a neighborhood  $V$  of  $x_0$  in such a way that (3.1) and (3.4) hold good with same  $k$ .

Let  $W$  be the set of the point  $x \in M$  such that for a suitable basis of  $T_x(M)$  satisfying (2.2),  $\sigma_{ij}$  does not vanish for some  $i, j$  ( $i \neq j$ ), which is an open set. Let  $W_0$  be the connected component of  $x_0$  in  $W$ . Then it follows that  $k$  (in the above argument) is constant on  $W_0$  and that  $\lambda(x)$  and  $\mu(x)$  are differentiable functions on  $W_0$  by (3.3) and the fact that  $k\lambda + (n - k)\mu = (1/2) \text{ trace } R^1$  or  $\text{trace } (R^1 \circ R^1)$  is a differentiable function on  $W_0$ . It should be remarked that  $\lambda(x) \neq \mu(x)$  at each point  $x \in W_0$ . We define two distributions on  $W_0$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(x) &= \{X \in T_x(M) : R^1 X = \lambda(x) X\}, \\ T_2(x) &= \{X \in T_x(M) : R^1 X = \mu(x) X\}, \end{aligned}$$

which are mutually orthogonal and  $J$ -invariant.

Let  $X, Y \in T_1$  and  $X', Y' \in T_2$ . Then we have

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{cases} R(X, Y) = K[X \wedge Y + JX \wedge JY - 2g(JX, Y)J_1], \\ R(X', Y') = -K[X' \wedge Y' + JX' \wedge JY' - 2g(JX', Y')J_2], \\ R(X, Y') = 0, \end{cases}$$

by (2.1), (2.3), (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3), where we have put

$$K = \frac{1}{2(n+1)(n+2)} [(2n+2-k)\lambda - (n-k)\mu]$$

which does not vanish by (3.3).  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are defined by  $J_1X = JX$ ,  $J_1X' = 0$  and  $J_2X = 0$ ,  $J_2X' = JX'$ , respectively.

LEMMA 3.4.  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are parallel and  $K$  is constant.

PROOF. For any  $x \in W_0$ , we may choose a differentiable field of orthonormal basis  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n, JX_1, \dots, JX_n\}$  near  $x$  in  $W_0$  in such a way that  $\{X_1, \dots, X_k, JX_1, \dots, JX_k\}$  and  $\{X_{k+1}, \dots, X_n, JX_{k+1}, \dots, JX_n\}$  are bases near  $x$  in  $W_0$  for  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , respectively. This choice is possible by virtue of the property  $J \circ R^1 = R^1 \circ J$ .

Now, in general, for a differentiable field of orthonormal basis  $\{Y_1, \dots, Y_n\}$  in a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ , we may put

$$(3.6) \quad \nabla_i Y_j = \nabla_{Y_i} Y_j = \sum_{k=i}^n A_{ijk} Y_k,$$

where  $\nabla_i = \nabla_{Y_i}$  denotes the covariant differentiation for the Riemannian connection, and  $A_{ijk} = -A_{ikj}$ .

Hereafter, the indices run as follows:

$$a, b, c, \dots = 1, \dots, k, \quad u, v, w, \dots = k+1, \dots, n.$$

Put  $X_{i^*} = JX_i$  for any  $i$ , then  $A_{ijk} = A_{ij^*k^*}$ ,  $A_{ij^*k^*} = -A_{ij^*k}$  and etc. by the property  $\nabla J = 0$  for the Kählerian manifold  $M$ . First, we shall prove the case  $2 \leq k \leq n-2$ . Taking account of (3.5), (3.6), we have (3.7):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_a R)(X_b, X_u) &= 2A_{abu^*}J \\ &+ \sum_{v=k+1}^n [A_{abv}(X_v \wedge X_u + X_{v^*} \wedge X_{u^*}) + A_{abv^*}(X_{v^*} \wedge X_u - X_v \wedge X_{u^*})] \\ &- \sum_{c=1}^k [A_{auc}(X_b \wedge X_c + X_{b^*} \wedge X_{c^*}) + A_{auc^*}(X_b \wedge X_{c^*} - X_{b^*} \wedge X_c)], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_b R)(X_u, X_a) &= -2A_{ba u^*}J \\ &+ \sum_{v=k+1}^n [A_{bav}(X_u \wedge X_v + X_{u^*} \wedge X_{v^*}) + A_{bav^*}(X_u \wedge X_{v^*} - X_{u^*} \wedge X_v)] \\ &- \sum_{c=1}^k [A_{buc}(X_c \wedge X_a + X_{c^*} \wedge X_{a^*}) + A_{buc^*}(X_{c^*} \wedge X_a - X_c \wedge X_{a^*})], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_u R)(X_a, X_b) &= \frac{1}{K}(X_u K)(X_a \wedge X_b + X_{a^*} \wedge X_{b^*}) \\ &+ \sum_{v=k+1}^n [A_{uav}(X_v \wedge X_b + X_{v^*} \wedge X_{b^*}) + A_{uav^*}(X_{v^*} \wedge X_b - X_v \wedge X_{b^*}) \\ &+ A_{ubv}(X_a \wedge X_v + X_{a^*} \wedge X_{v^*}) + A_{ubv^*}(X_a \wedge X_{v^*} - X_{a^*} \wedge X_v)], \end{aligned}$$



where

$$J = -\sum_{c=1}^k X_c \wedge X_{c^*} - \sum_{v=k+1}^n X_v \wedge X_{v^*}.$$

By the second Bianchi identity, we have

$$A_{uav} = A_{uav^*} = 0,$$

and hence

$$A_{uva} = A_{uva^*} = A_{uv^*a} = A_{uv^*a^*} = 0.$$

If we replace  $u$  by  $u^*$  in (3.7), we have

$$A_{u^*va} = A_{u^*va^*} = A_{u^*v^*a} = A_{u^*v^*a^*} = 0.$$

If we replace  $(u, a, b)$  by  $(a, u, v)$  or  $(a^*, u, v)$  in (3.7), we have

$$A_{abu} = A_{abu^*} = A_{ab^*u} = A_{ab^*u^*} = 0$$

and

$$A_{a^*bu} = A_{a^*bu^*} = A_{a^*b^*u} = A_{a^*b^*u^*} = 0.$$

Then we have  $X_u K = 0$  by (3.7). Similarly  $X_a K = 0$ . These facts show that the lemma is valid for  $2 \leq k \leq n - 2$ .

Next, we prove the case  $2 \leq k = n - 1$ . The proof is accomplished, applying the second Bianchi identity to the following equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_a R)(X_b, X_n) &= 2A_{abn^*}X_{n^*} \wedge X_n + 2A_{abn^*}J \\ &\quad - \sum_{c=1}^{n-1} [A_{anc}(X_b \wedge X_c + X_{b^*} \wedge X_{c^*}) + A_{anc^*}(X_b \wedge X_{c^*} - X_{b^*} \wedge X_c)], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_b R)(X_n, X_a) &= 2A_{ban^*}X_n \wedge X_{n^*} - 2A_{ban^*}J \\ &\quad - \sum_{c=1}^{n-1} [A_{bnc}(X_c \wedge X_a + X_{c^*} \wedge X_{a^*}) \\ &\quad + A_{bnc^*}(X_{c^*} \wedge X_a - X_c \wedge X_{a^*})], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_n R)(X_a, X_b) &= \frac{1}{K}(X_n K)(X_a \wedge X_b + X_{a^*} \wedge X_{b^*}) \\ &\quad + [A_{nan}(X_n \wedge X_b + X_{n^*} \wedge X_{b^*}) + A_{nan^*}(X_{n^*} \wedge X_b - X_n \wedge X_{b^*}) \\ &\quad + A_{nbn}(X_a \wedge X_n + X_{a^*} \wedge X_{n^*}) + A_{nbn^*}(X_a \wedge X_{n^*} - X_{a^*} \wedge X_n)], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_a R)(X_n, X_{n^*}) &= -\frac{4}{K}(X_a K)X_n \wedge X_{n^*} \\ &\quad - 4 \sum_{c=1}^{n-1} [A_{anc}X_c \wedge X_{n^*} + A_{anc^*}X_{c^*} \wedge X_{n^*} \\ &\quad + A_{a_n^*c}X_n \wedge X_c + A_{anc}X_n \wedge X_{c^*}], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_n R)(X_{n^*}, X_a) &= 2A_{na_n}(X_{n^*} \wedge X_n + J) \\ &\quad - \sum_{c=1}^{n-1} [A_{n n^* c}(X_c \wedge X_a + X_{c^*} \wedge X_{a^*}) + A_{n n^* c^*}(X_{c^*} \wedge X_a - X_c \wedge X_{a^*})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K}(\nabla_n R)(X_a, X_n) &= 2A_{n^* a n^*}(X_{n^*} \wedge X_n + J) \\ &\quad - \sum_{c=1}^{n-1} [A_{n^* n c}(X_a \wedge X_c + X_{a^*} \wedge X_{c^*}) \\ &\quad + A_{n^* n c^*}(X_a \wedge X_{c^*} - X_{a^*} \wedge X_c)], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$J = -X_n \wedge X_{n^*} - \sum_{c=1}^{n-1} X_c \wedge X_{c^*}. \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Thus,  $W_0$  is a locally product manifold of a  $k$ -dimensional space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $4K$  and an  $(n - k)$ -dimensional space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature  $-4K$  [3]. Therefore, by the connectivity of  $M$  and the continuity argument for the characteristic roots of  $R^1$ , it follows that  $W_0 = M$ . In particular,  $M$  is locally symmetric. On the other hand, it is easily seen that the restricted homogeneous holonomy group of an  $m$ -dimensional space of non-zero constant holomorphic sectional curvature is  $U(m)$ . Then,  $H_{x_0} = U(k) \times U(n - k)$  [7], [5; vol. 1, p. 263].

4. Case  $n = 2$ . To prove the theorem for  $n = 2$ , we assume that  $M$  is not locally flat and that  $H_x$  at  $x \in M$  does not coincide with  $U(2)$ . Then,  $H_x$  can not contain  $SU(2)$  by the same argument as in the last section. Then, we have  $\sigma_{12} = (1/12)(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) = 0$  at any point of  $M$ . And there exists at least one point  $x_0$  such that  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 < 0$ . Let  $W_0$  be the connected component containing  $x_0$  of  $W = \{x \in M; \lambda_1 \lambda_2 < 0 \text{ at } x\}$ .  $\lambda_1 (= -\lambda_2 \neq 0)$  is a differentiable function on  $W_0$ . We have following two distributions on  $W_0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(x) &= \{X \in T_x(M); R^1 X = \lambda_1 X\} \\ T_2(x) &= \{X' \in T_x(M); R^1 X' = \lambda_2 X'\} \end{aligned}$$

which are  $J$ -invariant. Let  $X, Y \in T_1$  and  $X', Y' \in T_2$ . Then we have

$$\begin{cases} R(X, Y) = 4\lambda_1 X \wedge Y, \\ R(X', Y') = -4\lambda_1 X' \wedge Y', \\ R(X, X') = 0. \end{cases}$$

From the last equations, we can easily see that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are parallel

and  $\lambda_1$  is constant. Hence,  $W_0 = M$  and  $H_{x_0} = U(1) \times U(1)$ .

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