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# On generalized almost para-Hermitian spaces

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**Abstract.** Recently, a generalized almost Hermitian metric on an almost complex manifold (M, J) is determined as a generalized Riemannian metric (i.e. an arbitrary bilinear form)  $\mathcal{G}$  which satisfies  $\mathcal{G}(JX, JY) = \mathcal{G}(X, Y)$ , where X and Y are arbitrary vector fields on M. In the same manner we can study a generalized almost para-Hermitian metric and determine almost para-Hermitian spaces. Some properties of these spaces and special generalized almost para-Hermitian spaces including generalized para-Hermitian spaces as well as generalized nearly para-Kähler spaces are determined. Finally, a non-trivial example of generalized almost para-Hermitian space is constructed.

### 1. Introduction

This paper is devoted to the study of generalizations of Hermitian spaces, which generalize the well-known Kähler spaces. As is known, Kähler spaces were introduced by Kähler in 1934, but independently of him, these spaces were also studied by P.A. Shirokov, see [11, pp. 160-167]. Generalizations of these spaces in various directions can be found in research [2], papers [6, 21] and monograph [11]. Holomorphically projective mappings of Kähler spaces have been studied by Japanese mathematicians since 1950. One of the continuations is the 1971 paper [20] by M. Prvanović. Results on holomorphically projective mappings and transformations are in [10, 11]. An interesting result on holomorphically projective mappings of generalized Kähler spaces can be found in [16, 19, 22].

These spaces and mappings are generalized under the notion of *F*-structures, which have more general consequences, see e.g., [3, 7]. In this paper, we study generalized almost para-Hermitian spaces. Some properties of these spaces and special generalized almost para-Hermitian spaces including generalized para-Hermitian spaces as well as generalized nearly para-Kähler spaces are discussed. Finally, an example is presented in explicit form.

# 2. Almost Hermitian spaces and their generalizations

An almost complex structure on a real differentiable manifold *M* is a (1, 1)-tensor field *J* such that [23]

$$I^2 = -I$$
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where *I* is the identity operator.

Let X(M) be the Lie algebra of smooth vector fields on M and let us assume that  $X, Y \in X(M)$ . A real differentiable manifold M endowed with an almost complex structure J ( $J^2 = -I$ ) is said to be an *almost complex manifold* or an *almost complex space* [23]. An almost complex space (M, M) is said to be an *almost Hermitian space* if there exists a Riemannian metric M0 on M1 such that [23]

$$g(JX,JY)=g(X,Y),$$

i.e.,

$$-g(X, JY) = g(JX, Y),$$

which evidently means that the fundamental 2-form

$$F(X,Y) := q(X,JY)$$

is skew-symmetric.

M. Prvanović in 1995 [21] considered an almost Hermitian space (M, g, J) as a particular generalized Riemannian space  $(M, \mathcal{G}^{g,F} = g + F)$  in the sense of Eisenhart [5] and gave a classification of almost Hermitian spaces which heavily depends on the Einstein connection D determined by  $(D_Z\mathcal{G})(X,Y) = 2\mathcal{G}(X,T(Z,Y))$ , where T is the torsion tensor of D. The classification given in [21] is analogous to the classification of A. Gray and L.M. Hervella [6]. In [19] a *generalized Hermitian metric* on an almost complex manifold (M,J) is defined as a generalized Riemannian metric in the sense of Eisenhart  $\mathcal{G}$  that is invariant by the almost complex structure J, i.e.,

$$G(JX, JY) = G(X, Y),$$

which further implies that

$$\frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{G}(JX,JY)\pm\mathcal{G}(JY,JX))=\frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{G}(X,Y)\pm\mathcal{G}(Y,X)),$$

i.e.,

$$g(JX, JY) = g(X, Y)$$
 and  $F(JX, JY) = F(X, Y)$ .

**Definition 2.1.** [19] An almost complex manifold (M, J) endowed with a generalized Hermitian metric G is called a generalized almost Hermitian space and it is denoted by (M, G, J).

In 2001, Minčić, Stanković and Velimirović [14] gave a definition of a generalized Kähler space assuming that

$$J^{2} = -I,$$

$$g(J\partial_{i}, J\partial_{j}) = g(\partial_{i}, \partial_{j}),$$

$$(\nabla_{\partial_{i}} J)\partial_{j} = 0 \text{ and } (\nabla_{\partial_{i}} J)\partial_{j} = 0,$$

where  $\overset{1}{\nabla}$  is a non-symmetric linear connection explicitly determined by [5]

$$g(\overset{1}{\nabla}_{\partial_i}\partial_j,\partial_k) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \partial_i \mathcal{G}(\partial_j,\partial_k) + Y \mathcal{G}(\partial_i,\partial_k) - \partial_k \mathcal{G}(\partial_j,\partial_i) \right),$$

where  $\partial_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ ,  $\partial_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$  and  $\partial_k = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k}$  is standard orthonormal basis of the tangent space  $T_p(M)$  at the point p of the manifold M. As is well-know a non-symmetric linear connection  $\overset{\circ}{\nabla}$  which is dual to  $\overset{\circ}{\nabla}$  is determined by

$$\overset{2}{\nabla}_{X}Y = \overset{1}{\nabla}_{Y}X + [X, Y],$$

or in the standard orthonormal basis as

$$\overset{2}{\nabla}_{\partial_i}\partial_j=\overset{1}{\nabla}_{\partial_j}\partial_i.$$

Also, as is well-know the torsion-free linear connection  $\overset{0}{\nabla}$  that is associated with the non-symmetric linear connections  $\overset{1}{\nabla}$  and  $\overset{2}{\nabla}$  is determined by

$$\overset{0}{\nabla} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \overset{1}{\nabla}_X Y + \overset{2}{\nabla}_X Y \right).$$

In [16] a more general definition of a generalized Kähler space in the sense of Eisenhart is given as in Definition 2.2.

**Definition 2.2.** [16] A generalized Riemannian space  $(M, \mathcal{G})$  is called a generalized Kähler space in the sense of Eisenhart if there exists a (1, 1)-tensor field J on M such that

$$J^{2} = -I,$$

$$g(JX, JY) = g(X, Y),$$

$$(\overset{0}{(\nabla_{X}J)}Y = 0,$$

where  $\overset{0}{\nabla}_X Y = \frac{1}{2}(\overset{1}{\nabla}_X Y + \overset{2}{\nabla}_X Y)$  is the symmetric part of the non-symmetric linear connection  $\overset{1}{\nabla}$  and I is the identity operator.

**Definition 2.3.** A generalized Kähler space in the sense of Eisenhart (M, g, J) is said to be a generalized Kähler space in the sense of Eisenhart with parallel torsion if the torsion tensor  $T(X, Y) = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y]$  satisfies

$$\overset{0}{\nabla}\overset{1}{T}=0, \quad \text{where} \quad \overset{0}{\nabla}_XY=\frac{1}{2}(\overset{1}{\nabla}_XY+\overset{2}{\nabla}_XY).$$

# 3. Almost para-Hermitian spaces and their generalizations

An almost product structure on a real differentiable manifold M is a (1,1)-tensor field J such that [4]

$$J^2 = I$$
,

where I is the identity operator.

Let (M, J) be an almost paracomplex manifold of dimension 2n > 2 and g be a pseudo-Riemannian metric on M. The space (M, g, J) is said to be an *almost para-Hermitian space* if the condition [4]

$$g(JX, Y) + g(X, JY) = 0,$$

is satisfied. Almost para-Hermitian spaces were thoroughly studied for instance in [1, 4, 8].

In the same way as M. Prvanović did in [21] in the case of almost Hermitian manifolds and similar approach was also used in [9] we can use the following 2-form

$$F(X, Y) := g(JX, Y) = -g(X, JY) = -g(JY, X) = -F(Y, X)$$

and consider the bilinear form

$$\mathcal{G}^{g,F}(X,Y) := g(X,Y) + F(X,Y),$$

which is neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric.

Let us consider a 2n-dimensional smooth manifold M endowed with an almost para-complex structure J and a bilinear form G which satisfies

$$G(IX, IY) = -G(X, Y),$$

or equivalently

$$\mathcal{G}(JX,Y) + \mathcal{G}(X,JY) = 0.$$

The bilinear form G, which is neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric, can be described via its symmetric part g and skew-symmetric part  $\omega$  as follows

$$\mathcal{G}(X,Y) = q(X,Y) + \omega(X,Y).$$

It is not difficult to conclude that the metric g and 2-form  $\omega$  satisfy

$$g(JX, JY) = -g(X, Y)$$
 and  $\omega(JX, JY) = -\omega(X, Y)$ ,

Therefore,

$$q(JX, Y) + q(X, JY) = 0$$
 and  $\omega(JX, Y) + \omega(X, JY) = 0$ .

Obviously, the bilinear form G is different than  $G^{g,F}$ .

Let (M, J) be an almost paracomplex manifold and G be a generalized pseudo-Riemannian metric on M. If the equality

$$\mathcal{G}(JX,Y) + \mathcal{G}(X,JY) = 0,$$

holds, then the metric  $\mathcal{G}$  is said to be a *generalized almost para-Hermitian metric* and consequently the space  $(M, \mathcal{G} = g + \omega, J)$  is called a *generalized almost para-Hermitian space*.

**Definition 3.1 (Generalized para-Hermitian space).** A generalized almost para-Hermitian space (M, g, J), where *J* is an integrable almost para-Hermitian structure, is called a generalized para-Hermitian space.

It is well-known that the almost paracomplex structure *J* is integrable if and only if the Nijenhuis tensor identically vanishes, i.e., [23]

$$N(X,Y) = [JX,JY] - J[JX,Y] - J[X,JY] + [X,Y] = 0.$$

As a particular case of generalized almost para-Hermitian space we can consider a generalized nearly para-Kähler space.

**Definition 3.2 (Generalized nearly para-Kähler space).** A generalized almost para-Hermitian space  $(M, \mathcal{G} = g + \omega, J)$  is said to be a generalized nearly para-Kähler space if

$$(\nabla_{\mathbf{Y}}^g I)X = 0,$$

where  $\nabla^g$  is the Levi-Civita connection of metric g.

The definition of generalized hyperbolic Kähler spaces introduced in [15] was extended in [? ] and some other types of generalized para Kähler spaces were described in [18].

**Definition 3.3 (Generalized para-Kähler space).** [?] A generalized pseudo-Riemannian space  $(M, \mathcal{G} = g + \omega)$  of dimension  $2n \ge 4$  is called a generalized para-Kähler space if there exists a (1, 1)-tensor field J on M such that

$$J^{2} = I,$$
  

$$g(JX, JY) = -g(X, Y),$$
  

$$(\nabla_{x}^{g} J)Y = 0,$$

where  $\nabla^g$  is the Levi-Civita connection of metric g and I is the identity operator.

In the same manner as *Example 3.1* in [16] here we construct *Example 3.1*.

**Example 3.1.** Let us consider a space  $(M, \mathcal{G} = g + \omega, J)$  of real dimension n = 4, where the components of the bilinear form  $\mathcal{G} = g + \omega$  and the almost product structure J are, respectively, given by

$$(\mathcal{G}_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2(t+r)} & \varphi \cos^2 \theta & 0 & 0 \\ -\varphi \cos^2 \theta & -e^{2(t+r)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta & -\varphi(t+r)^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi(t+r)^2 & -\varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad and \quad (J_i^h) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $t, r, \varphi \neq 0$  and  $\theta \neq k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

The bilinear form  $G = g + \omega$  has non-trivial components of the symmetric part g and the skew-symmetric part  $\omega$  that are respectively given by

$$(g_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2(t+r)} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -e^{2(t+r)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad and \quad (\omega_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \varphi \cos^2 \theta & 0 & 0 \\ -\varphi \cos^2 \theta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\varphi(t+r)^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi(t+r)^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Obviously, the metric g is indefinite. Moreover,  $det(g_{ij}) = e^{4(t+r)} \varphi^4 \sin^4 \theta \neq 0$ , which means that the metric g is regular. The components of the inverse metric  $g^{-1}$  of the metric g are given by

$$(g^{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-2(t+r)} & 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & -e^{-2(t+r)} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta} & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{\varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta} \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is not difficult to check that  $\mathcal{G}_{pq}J_i^pJ_i^q = -\mathcal{G}_{ij}$ , i.e.,  $J_i^p\mathcal{G}_{pq}J_i^q = -\mathcal{G}_{ij}$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} e^{2(t+r)} & \varphi \cos^2\theta & 0 & 0 \\ -\varphi \cos^2\theta & -e^{2(t+r)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi^2 \sin^2\theta & -\varphi(t+r)^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi(t+r)^2 & -\varphi^2 \sin^2\theta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 
$$= -\begin{pmatrix} e^{2(t+r)} & \varphi \cos^2\theta & 0 & 0 \\ -\varphi \cos^2\theta & -e^{2(t+r)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi^2 \sin^2\theta & -\varphi(t+r)^2 \\ 0 & 0 & \varphi(t+r)^2 & -\varphi^2 \sin^2\theta \end{pmatrix} .$$

We can conclude that the space  $(M, \mathcal{G} = g + \omega, J)$  is a generalized almost para-Hermitian space. The non-zero components of the Riemannian curvature tensor  $R_{ijk}^h$  that corresponds to the pseudo-Riemannian metric g are given by

$$\begin{split} R^4_{343} &= -\frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} + \frac{1}{\varphi^2} - 1, \\ R^3_{443} &= -\frac{(\varphi^2 - 1)\sin^2 \theta + \varphi^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\varphi^2 \sin^2 \theta}. \end{split}$$

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