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# INTEGRABILITY CONDITIONS OF A $F(K, K-2)$ -STRUCTURE SATISFYING $F^K + F^{K-2} = 0$

## Introduction

Yano, Houh and Chen [1] have studied the structures defined by a tensor field  $\phi$  of the type  $(1,1)$  satisfying  $\phi^4 \pm \phi^2 = 0$ . Gadea and Cordero [2] have obtained the integrability conditions of these structures. We shall obtain in this paper the integrability conditions of a generalised  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure satisfying  $F^K + F^{K-2} = 0$ , where  $F$  is a non-null tensor field of the type  $(1,1)$ . Besides this we have also obtained the conditions of partial integrability (by introducing  $s_K$ -partial integrability and  $t_K$ -partial integrability) and the integrability of the generalised  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure in terms of its Nijenhuis tensor for  $K$  even.

1. The operators  $s$  and  $t$ : Let  $M_n$  be an  $n$ -dimensional differentiable manifold of class  $C^\infty$  equipped with a  $(1,1)$  tensor field  $F (F \neq 0)$  and of class  $C^\infty$  satisfying

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} n = 2m, \\ F^K + F^{K-2} = 0, \\ (2 \operatorname{rank} F - \operatorname{rank} F^{K-2}) = \dim M_n, \end{cases}$$

where  $K$  is even.

The operators  $s$  and  $t$  have been defined as follows

$$(1.2) \quad s = (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2}, \quad t = I - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2},$$

$I$  denoting the identity operators. Then we have

**Theorem 1.1.** For a tensor field  $F (F \neq 0)$  satisfying (1.1), the operators  $s$  and  $t$  defined by (1.2) and applied to the tangent space at a point of the manifold are complementary projection operators.

**Proof.** In consequence of (1.1) and (1.2), we have

$$(1.3) \quad s + t = I,$$

$$(1.4) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} s^2 &= (-1)^{K-2} F^{2K-4} = F^K F^{K-4} = -F^{K-2} F^{K-(2+2)} = \\ &= -F^K F^{K-6} = (-1)^2 F^{K-2} F^{K-(2+4)} = \\ &= (-1)^2 F^K F^{K-8} = \dots = (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}(K-2)} F^{K-2} F^{K-(2+K-2)} = \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2} = s, \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$(1.5) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} t^2 &= I + (-1)^{K-2} F^{2K-4} - 2(-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2} = \\ &= I - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2} = t, \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$(1.6) \quad st = ts = (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2} - (-1)^{K-2} F^{2K-4} = 0.$$

This proves the theorem.

Let  $S$  and  $T$  be the complementary distributions corresponding to the projection operators  $s$  and  $t$  respectively. Let the rank of  $F$  be constant and be equal to  $r$ , then from (1.1) we get

$$\dim S = (2r-n) \quad \text{and} \quad \dim T = (2n-2r).$$

Here dimensions of  $S$  and  $T$  are both even. Obviously  $n \leq 2r \leq 2n$ . Such a structure has been called a generalised  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure of rank  $r$  and the manifold  $M_n$  with this structure a  $F(K, K-2)$ -manifold.

**Theorem 1.2.** For a tensor field  $F (F \neq 0)$  satisfying (1.1) and the operators  $s$  and  $t$  defined by (1.2), we have

$$(1.7) \quad F^{K-2}s = sF^{K-2} = F^{K-2}, \quad F^{K-2}t = tF^{K-2} = 0$$

and

$$(1.8) \quad F^{K-1}s = F^{K-1}, \quad F^{K-1}t = 0.$$

**Proof.** The proof of the theorem follows by virtue of the equations (1.2) and (1.4).

**Theorem 1.3.** For a tensor field  $F (F \neq 0)$  satisfying (1.1) and the operators  $s$  and  $t$  defined by (1.2), we have

$$(1.9) \quad Fs = sF = (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1}, \quad Ft = tF = F - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1}$$

and

$$(1.10) \quad F^2s = -s, \quad F^2t = F^2 + (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2}.$$

The proof is obvious.

**Theorem 1.4.**  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure of maximal rank is an almost complex structure.

**Proof.** If the rank of  $F$  is maximal,  $r = n$ . Then  $t = 0$ . Thus  $F$  satisfies

$$(1.11) \quad I - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2} = 0.$$

Applying  $F$  twice to (1.11) and using (1.1), we get

$$F^2 + (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2} = 0,$$

which in view of (1.11) yields

$$F^2 + I = 0.$$

This proves the theorem.

**Theorem 1.5.**  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure of minimal rank is a  $F(K-2)$ -structure.

**Proof.** If the rank of  $F$  is minimal,  $2r=n$ . Then  $s = 0$ . Thus  $F$  satisfies  $F^{K-2} = 0$ . Following the general nomenclature, we call such a structure a  $F(K-2)$ -structure.

## 2. Nijenhuis tensor of $F(K-K-2)$ -structure

Let  $F$  be a  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure of rank  $r$  when  $K$  is even. Then the Nijenhuis tensor  $N(X, Y)$  of  $F$  is

$$(2.1) \quad N(X, Y) = [FX, FY] - F[FX, Y] - F[X, FY] + F^2[X, Y].$$

Therefore, in consequence of (1.9) and (2.1), we have

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{cases} N(sX, sY) = [(-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] - \\ - F[(-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, sY] - F[sX, (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] + \\ + F^2[sX, sY]. \end{cases}$$

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{cases} N(sX, tY) = [(-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, FY - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] - \\ - F[(-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, tY] - F[sX, FY - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] + \\ + F^2[sX, tY], \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.4) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} N(tX, sY) &= [FX - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] - \\ &- F [FX - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, sY] - \\ &- F [tX, (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] + F^2 [tX, sY], \end{aligned} \right. \\
 (2.5) \quad & \left\{ \begin{aligned} N(tX, tY) &= [FX - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, FY - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] - \\ &- F [FX - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} X, tY] - \\ &- F [tX, FY - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-1} Y] + F^2 [tX, tY]. \end{aligned} \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

Equations (2.2), (2.3), (2.4) and (2.5), in consequence of (1.3) and (2.1) yield

$$(2.6) \quad N(X, Y) = N(sX, sY) + N(sX, tY) + N(tX, sY) + N(tX, tY).$$

If the distribution  $S$  is integrable,  $N(sX, sY)$  is exactly the Nijenhuis tensor of  $F|S \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} F_S$ . If the distribution  $T$  is integrable  $N(tX, tY)$  is exactly the Nijenhuis tensor of  $F|T \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} F_T$ .

Let  $\mathcal{L}_Y F$  be Lie derivative of the tensor field  $F$  with respect to a vector field  $Y$ . Then we have

$$(2.7) \quad (\mathcal{L}_Y F)X = F[X, Y] - [FX, Y],$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_Y F$  is a tensor field of the same type as  $F$ .

Now in view of (2.1) and (2.7), we get

$$(2.8) \quad N(sX, tY) = F(\mathcal{L}_{tY} F)sX - (\mathcal{L}_{FtY} F)sX$$

and

$$(2.9) \quad N(tX, sY) = F(\mathcal{L}_{sY} F)tX - (\mathcal{L}_{FsY} F)tX.$$

### 3. Integrability conditions

In this section, we shall obtain the partial integrability conditions of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure, when  $K$  is even.

**Theorem 3.1.** The following conditions hold:

- (i) the distribution  $S$  is integrable iff  $t \cdot N(sX, sY) = 0$ ;
  - (ii) the distribution  $T$  is integrable iff  $s \cdot N(tX, tY) = 0$ ,
- for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Proof :** We know that for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ , the distributions  $S$  and  $T$  are integrable if and only if  $t[sX, sY] = 0$  and  $s[tX, tY] = 0$  respectively. Thus in view of (1.6), (1.8), (1.9) and (2.1), the theorem follows.

**Theorem 3.2.** The distributions  $S$  and  $T$  are both integrable if and only if

$$(3.1) \quad N(X, Y) = s \cdot N(sX, sY) + N(sX, tY) + N(tX, sY) + t \cdot N(tX, tY)$$

for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Proof .** In consequence of (1.3), equation (2.6) can be written as

$$(3.2) \quad N(X, Y) = s \cdot N(sX, sY) + t \cdot N(sX, sY) + N(sX, tY) + \\ + N(tX, sY) + s \cdot N(tX, tY) + t \cdot N(tX, tY).$$

Now the result follows by virtue of the equation (3.2) and Theorem 3.1.

**Theorem 3.3.** If the distribution  $S$  is integrable, a necessary and sufficient condition for the almost complex structure defined by  $F|_S = F_S$  on each integral manifold of  $S$  to be integrable is that, for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$

$$(3.3) \quad N(sX, sY) = 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$(3.4) \quad s \cdot N(sX, sY) = 0.$$

**P r o o f .** Suppose that the distribution  $S$  is integrable, then  $F_S$  induces on each integral manifold of  $S$  an almost complex structure. The induced structure is integrable iff its Nijenhuis tensor vanishes identically. Thus the theorem follows.

**D e f i n i t i o n 3.1.** We say that the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure is  $s_K$ -partially integrable if the distribution  $S$  is integrable and the almost complex structure  $F_S$  induced from  $F$  on each integral manifold of  $S$  is also integrable.

**T h e o r e m 3.4.** For any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ , a necessary and sufficient condition for the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure to be  $s_K$ -partially integrable is that

$$(3.5) \quad N(sX, sY) = 0.$$

The proof of the theorem follows from Theorems 3.1 (i) and 3.3.

**T h e o r e m 3.5.** If the distribution  $T$  is integrable, a necessary and sufficient condition for the  $F(K-2)$ -structure defined by  $F|T = F_T$  on each integral manifold of  $T$  to be integrable is that, for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$

$$(3.6) \quad N(tX, tY) = 0,$$

which is equivalent to

$$(3.7) \quad t \cdot N(tX, tY) = 0.$$

The proof follows from the pattern of the proof of Theorem 3.3.

**D e f i n i t i o n 3.2.** We say that the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure is  $t_K$ -partially integrable if the distribution  $T$  is integrable and the  $F(K-2)$ -structure  $F_T$  induced from  $F$  on each integral manifold of  $T$  is also integrable.

**Theorem 3.6.** For any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ , a necessary and sufficient condition for the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure to be  $t_K$ -partially integrable is that

$$(3.8) \quad N(tX, tY) = 0.$$

The proof of the theorem follows from Theorems 3.1 (ii) and 3.5.

**Definition 3.3.** We say that a  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure is partially integrable if and only if it is  $s_K$ -partially integrable and  $t_K$ -partially integrable simultaneously.

**Theorem 3.7.** For any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ , a necessary and sufficient condition for the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure to be partially integrable is that

$$(3.9) \quad N(X, Y) = N(sX, tY) + N(tX, sY).$$

**Proof.** The proof of the theorem follows by virtue of the equations (2.6), (3.5) and (3.8).

#### 4. Conditions $N(sX, tY) = 0$ and $N(tX, sY) = 0$

In this section, we shall obtain the integrability conditions of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure by means of the conditions  $N(sX, tY) = 0$  and  $N(tX, sY) = 0$ , when  $K$  is even.

**Theorem 4.1.** For any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ , the tensor field  $s(\mathcal{L}_{tY}F)s$  vanishes identically if and only if

$$(4.1) \quad N(sX, tY) = 0.$$

**Proof.** In view of (2.8), we have

$$N(sX, tY) = 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad F(\mathcal{L}_{tY}F)sX = (\mathcal{L}_{FtY}F)sX.$$

Thus, if  $N(sX, tY) = 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2}(\mathcal{L}_{tY}F)sX &= (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-3}(\mathcal{L}_{FtY}F)sX = \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-4}(\mathcal{L}_{F^2tY}F)sX = \dots = (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-K}(\mathcal{L}_{F^{K-2}tY}F)sX = 0 \end{aligned}$$



in consequence of (1.7). That is, in view of (1.2), the tensor field  $s(\mathcal{L}_{tY}F)s$  vanishes identically for any vector field  $Y$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** For any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ , the tensor field  $t(\mathcal{L}_{sY}F)t$  vanishes identically if and only if

$$(4.2) \quad N(tX, sY) = 0.$$

**Proof.** In view of (2.9), we have

$$N(tX, sY) = 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad F(\mathcal{L}_{sY}F)tX = (\mathcal{L}_{FsY}F)tX.$$

Thus, if  $N(tX, sY) = 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2}(\mathcal{L}_{sY}F)tX &= (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-3}(\mathcal{L}_{FsY}F)tX = \dots = \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-K}(\mathcal{L}_{F^{K-2}sY}F)tX = (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} (\mathcal{L}_{F^{K-2}Y}F)tX = (\mathcal{L}_{sY}F)tX, \end{aligned}$$

in consequence of (1.2) and (1.7). Hence

$$(I - (-1)^{\frac{K}{2}-1} F^{K-2})(\mathcal{L}_{sY}F)tX = 0.$$

That is, in view of (1.2), the tensor field  $t(\mathcal{L}_{sY}F)t$  vanishes identically for any vector field  $Y$ .

When the distributions  $S$  and  $T$  are both integrable, we can choose a local coordinate system such that  $S$ 's are represented by putting  $(2n-2r)$  local coordinates constant and  $T$ 's by putting the other  $(2r-n)$  coordinates constant. We call such a coordinate system an "adapted coordinate system".

It can be supposed that in an adapted coordinate system, the projection operators  $s$  and  $t$  have the components of the form

$$(4.3) \quad s = \begin{pmatrix} I_{2r-n} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad t = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{2n-2r} \end{pmatrix}$$

respectively; where  $I_{2r-n}$  is a unit matrix of order  $(2r-n)$  and  $I_{2n-2r}$  is that of order  $(2n-2r)$ .

Since the distributions  $S$  and  $T$  are integrable,  $FS \subset S$  and  $FT \subset T$ . Therefore the tensor  $F$  has the components of the form

$$(4.4) \quad F = \begin{pmatrix} F_{2r-n} & 0 \\ 0 & F_{2n-2r} \end{pmatrix}$$

in an adapted coordinate system, where  $F_{2r-n}$  and  $F_{2n-2r}$  are square matrices of order  $(2r-n) \times (2r-n)$  and  $(2n-2r) \times (2n-2r)$  respectively.

Thus the Lie derivative  $\mathcal{L}_{tY}F$  has components of the form

$$(4.5) \quad \mathcal{L}_{tY}F = \begin{pmatrix} L' & 0 \\ 0 & L'' \end{pmatrix}$$

for any vector field  $tY$  on  $T$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** For both distributions  $S$  and  $T$  being integrable, a necessary and sufficient condition for the local components  $F_{2r-n}$  of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure to be functions independent of the coordinates which are constant along the integral manifolds of  $S$  in an adapted coordinate system is that

$$(4.6) \quad N(sX, tY) = 0,$$

for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Proof.** Let us assume that  $N(sX, tY) = 0$  for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ . Therefore from Theorem 4.1,

the tensor field  $s(\mathcal{L}_{tY}F)s$  vanishes identically for any vector field  $Y$ . Hence  $L' = 0$ . This implies that the components  $F_{2r-n}$  of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure are independent of the coordinates which are constant along the integral manifolds of the distribution  $S$  in an adapted coordinate system.

Conversely, if the components  $F_{2r-n}$  of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure are independent of these coordinates, then  $L' = 0$ . Therefore the tensor field  $s(\mathcal{L}_{tY}F)s$  vanishes identically for any vector field  $Y$ . Hence  $N(sX, tY) = 0$  for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** For both distributions  $S$  and  $T$  being integrable a necessary and sufficient condition for the local components  $F_{2n-2r}$  of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure to be functions independent of the coordinates which are constant along the integral manifolds of  $T$  in an adapted coordinate system is that

$$(4.7) \quad N(tX, sY) = 0,$$

for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ .

The proof is similar to the proof of previous theorem.

**Definition 4.1.** We say that the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure is integrable if

- (i) the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure is partially integrable;
- (ii) the components  $F_{2r-n}$  of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure are independent of the coordinates which are constant along the integral manifolds of  $S$  in an adapted coordinate system;
- (iii) the components  $F_{2n-2r}$  of the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure are independent of the coordinates which are constant along the integral manifolds of  $T$  in an adapted coordinate system.

**Theorem 4.5.** A necessary and sufficient condition for the  $F(K, K-2)$ -structure to be integrable is that

$$(4.8) \quad N(X, Y) = 0,$$

for any two vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$ .

The proof of the theorem follows from Theorems 3.7, 4.3 and 4.4.

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