

Riemannian Submersions and Locally Symmetric Submanifolds

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Introduction

In [6] O' Neill introduced the notion of a Riemannian submersion. Let $\pi; M \rightarrow M'$ be a Riemannian submersion. H. B. Lawson [5] and R. H. Escobales [2] have shown some relations between submanifolds of M and those of M' .

In this paper we will show that if a submanifold N of M is locally symmetric, then a submanifold $\pi(N)$ of M' is also locally symmetric provided some conditions.

1. Submersions

Let M and M' be Riemannian manifolds of dimensions $m+p$ and m respectively. By a Riemannian submersion we mean a C^∞ mapping $\pi; M \rightarrow M'$ such that π is of maximal rank and π_* preserves the lengths of horizontal vectors, i. e., vectors orthogonal to the fiber $\pi^{-1}(y)$ for some $y \in M'$.

Throughout this paper, we assume that the fibers are totally geodesic in M .

Let X denote a tangent vector at $x \in M$. Then X decomposes as $VX + HX$, where VX is tangent to the fiber through x and HX is perpendicular to it. If $X = VX$, it is called a vertical vector; and if $X = HX$, it is called horizontal. Let $\tilde{\nabla}$ and $\tilde{\nabla}^*$ denote the Riemannian connections of M and M' respectively.

We define a tensor \tilde{A} associated with the submersion. For any vector fields E and F on M ,

$$\tilde{A}_E F = V \tilde{\nabla}_{HE}(HF) + H \tilde{\nabla}_{HE}(VF).$$

\tilde{A} is a (1, 2)-tensor, and it has the following properties [6]:

- (1) At each point, \tilde{A}_E is a skew-symmetric linear operator on the tangent space of M , and it reverses the horizontal and vertical subspaces.
- (2) $\tilde{A}_E = \tilde{A}_{HE}$.
- (3) For horizontal vector fields, \tilde{A} has the alternation property
 $\tilde{A}_X Y = -\tilde{A}_Y X$.

We define a vector field X on M to be basic provided X is horizontal and π -related to a vector field X_* on M' . Every vector field X_* on M' has a unique horizontal lift X to M , and X is basic.

Lemma 1. [6]. If X and Y are basic vector fields on M , then

- (1) $\tilde{g}(X, Y) = \tilde{g}^*(X_*, Y_*) \circ \pi$,
- (2) $H[X, Y]$ is the basic vector field corresponding to $[X_*, Y_*]$,
- (3) $H \tilde{\nabla}_X Y$ is the basic vector field corresponding to $\tilde{\nabla}^*_{X_*} Y_*$, where \tilde{g} and \tilde{g}^* are the metrics of M and M' respectively.

Lemma 2. [6]. Let X and Y be horizontal vector fields, and V is vertical vector fields on M . Then

- (1) $\tilde{\nabla}_V X = H \tilde{\nabla}_V X$,
- (2) $\tilde{\nabla}_X V = \tilde{A}_X V + V \tilde{\nabla}_X V$,
- (3) $\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = H \tilde{\nabla}_X Y + \tilde{A}_X Y$.

Furthermore, if X is basic, $H\tilde{\nabla}_v X = \tilde{A}_X V$.

Denote by \tilde{R} the curvature tensor of M . The horizontal lift of the curvature tensor \tilde{R}^* of M' will also be denoted by \tilde{R}^* ; explicitly, if h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4 are horizontal tangent vectors to M , we set

$$\tilde{g}(\tilde{R}^*_{h_1, h_2}(h_3), h_4) = \tilde{g}^*(\tilde{R}^*_{h_{1*}, h_{2*}}(h_{3*}), h_{4*}) \circ \pi$$

where $h_{i*} = \pi_*(h_i)$.

Lemma 3. [6]. Let X, Y, Z, H are horizontal vector fields and V and W are vertical vector fields, then

- (1) $\tilde{R}(X, V, Y, W) = \tilde{g}((\tilde{\nabla}_V \tilde{A})_X Y, W) + \tilde{g}(\tilde{A}_X V, \tilde{A}_Y W)$,
- (2) $\tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, V) = \tilde{g}((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \tilde{A})_X Y, V)$,
- (3) $\tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, H) = \tilde{R}^*(X, Y, Z, H) - 2\tilde{g}(\tilde{A}_X Y, \tilde{A}_Z H) + \tilde{g}(\tilde{A}_Y Z, \tilde{A}_X H) + \tilde{g}(\tilde{A}_Z X, \tilde{A}_Y H)$.

2. Submanifolds

Suppose now that N is an $n+p$ -dimensional submanifold of M which respects the submersion π . That is, suppose there is a submersion $\pi: N \rightarrow N'$ where N' is a submanifold of M' such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{f} & M \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ N' & \xrightarrow{f'} & M' \end{array}$$

commutes and the immersion f is a diffeomorphism on the fibers. We assume that the fibers are totally geodesic in N .

Let S be second fundamental form of the submanifold N . Let N_k ($k=1, 2, \dots, m-n$) be orthonormal normal vector fields of N . Let $g(\tilde{\nabla})$ and $g^*(\tilde{\nabla}^*)$ denote the induced metrics (connections) of N and N' respectively. Then the Gauss-Weingarten formulas are given by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y), \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X E = -S_E X + \tilde{D}_X E \quad X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N), E \in \mathfrak{X}^\perp(N),$$

where $g(S_E X, Y) = g(h(X, Y), E)$ and \tilde{D} is the connection in the normal bundle $T(N)^\perp$. Note that the normal space is always horizontal. We set $C_E X = HS_E HX$ where X is tangent to N . Then we have the following equations

- (2.1) $S_E X = C_E X + \tilde{A}_E X$,
- (2.2) $S_E V = \tilde{D}_V E - \tilde{\nabla}_V E = \tilde{D}_V E - H\tilde{\nabla}_V E$

where X and V are horizontal and vertical tangent vectors on $N[2]$.

Let A be a tensor associated with the submersion $\pi: N \rightarrow N'$. Then we have

$$\tilde{A}_X Y = A_X Y + h(HX, VY) \quad X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(N).$$

Let V_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, p$) be orthonormal vertical vector fields on N . From $A_X Y$ is vertical, for horizontal vector fields X, Y , we set $A_X Y = \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha^i(X, Y) V_i$. Let R and R^* denote the curvature tensors of N and N' respectively. For horizontal vector fields X, Y, Z and H on N we have

- (2.3) $R(X, Y, Z, H) = R^*(X, Y, Z, H) - 2g(A_X Y, A_Z H) + g(A_Y Z, A_X H) + g(A_Z X, A_Y H)$.

We set $D(X, Y, Z, H) = -2g(A_X Y, A_Z H) + g(A_Y Z, A_X H) + g(A_Z X, A_Y H)$.

Lemma 4. Let X, Y, Z, H and C be horizontal vector fields on N . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_C D)(X, Y, Z, H) = & \sum_{i=1}^p \{-2\alpha^i(Z, H)R(X, Y, C, V_i) - 2\alpha^i(X, Y)R(Z, H, C, V_i) \\ & + \alpha^i(X, H)R(Y, Z, C, V_i) + \alpha^i(Y, Z)R(X, H, C, V_i) \\ & + \alpha^i(Y, H)R(Z, X, C, V_i) + \alpha^i(Z, X)R(Y, H, C, V_i)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From the following equations

$$\begin{aligned} C(D(X, Y, Z, H)) &= -2g(\nabla_c(A_X Y), A_Z H) - 2g(A_X Y, \nabla_c(A_Z H)) \\ &\quad + g(\nabla_c(A_Y Z), A_X H) + g(A_Y Z, \nabla_c(A_X H)) \\ &\quad + g(\nabla_c(A_Z X), A_Y H) + g(A_Z X, \nabla_c(A_Y H)), \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_c(A_X Y) = (\nabla_c A)_X Y + A_{\nabla_c X} Y + A_X (\nabla_c Y)$$

and Lemma 3. (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_c D)(X, Y, Z, H) &= C(D(X, Y, Z, H)) - D(\nabla_c X, Y, Z, H) - D(X, \nabla_c Y, Z, H) \\ &\quad - D(X, Y, \nabla_c Z, H) - D(X, Y, Z, \nabla_c H) \\ &= -2g((\nabla_c A)_X Y, A_Z H) - 2g(A_X Y, (\nabla_c A)_Z H) + g((\nabla_c A)_Y Z, A_X H) \\ &\quad + g(A_Y Z, (\nabla_c A)_X H) + g((\nabla_c A)_Z X, A_Y H) + g(A_Z X, (\nabla_c A)_Y H) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m-n} \{-2\alpha^i(Z, H)R(X, Y, C, V_i) - 2\alpha^i(X, Y)R(Z, H, C, V_i) \\ &\quad + \alpha^i(X, H)R(Y, Z, C, V_i) + \alpha^i(Y, Z)R(X, H, C, V_i) \\ &\quad + \alpha^i(Y, H)R(Z, X, C, V_i) + \alpha^i(Z, X)R(Y, H, C, V_i)\}. \end{aligned} \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Lemma 5. Let M be a space of constant curvature c . Assum $\tilde{A}_E F = 0$, where F is horizontal and tangent to N and E is normal to N . Then $R(X, Y, Z, V) = 0$, where X, Y, Z are horizontal vector fields on N and V is vertical vector field on N .

Proof. From the equation of Gauss, we have

$$R(X, Y, Z, V) = \tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, V) - g(h(X, Z), h(Y, V)) + g(h(X, V), h(Y, Z)).$$

By assumption, $\tilde{R}(X, Y)V = c(g(V, Y)X - g(V, X)Y) = 0$. We set $h(X, Y) = \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Y)N_k$. From Lemma 2, (2.2) and assumption we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} g(h(X, Z), h(Y, V)) &= \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Z)g(N_k, h(Y, V)) = \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Z)g(S_{N_k} V, Y) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Z)g(\tilde{D}_V N_k - H\tilde{\nabla}_V N_k, Y) = \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Z)g(-H\tilde{\nabla}_V N_k, Y) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Z)g(-\tilde{A}_{N_k} V, Y) = \sum_{k=1}^{m-n} h^k(X, Z)g(V, \tilde{A}_{N_k} Y) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Theorem. Let $\pi; M \rightarrow M'$ be a Riemannian submersion with totally geodesic fibers and N is a submanifold of M which respects the submersion π , that is, there is a submersion $\pi; N \rightarrow N'$ where N' is a submanifold of M' such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & f & \\ N & \xrightarrow{\quad} & M \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ N' & \xrightarrow{f'} & M' \end{array}$$

commutes and the immersion f is a diffeomorphism on the fibers. We assume that the fibers are totally geodesic in N . Let M be a space of constant curvature and $\tilde{A}_E F = 0$, where F is horizontal and tangent to N and E is normal to N . If N is locally symmetric, then N' is also locally symmetric.

Proof. Let X_*, Y_*, Z_*, H_* and C_* be tangent vector fields on N' , and let X, Y, Z, H and C be their horizontal lifts. Using (2.3) and Lemma 1 we see that

$$\begin{aligned} ((\nabla^* C_* R^*)(X_*, Y_*, Z_*, H_*)) \circ \pi &= (C_*(R^*(X_*, Y_*, Z_*, H_*))) \circ \pi - R^*(\nabla^* C_* X_*, Y_*, Z_*, H_*) \circ \pi \\ &\quad - R^*(X_*, \nabla^* C_* Y_*, Z_*, H_*) \circ \pi - R^*(X_*, Y_*, \nabla^* C_* Z_*, H_*) \circ \pi \\ &\quad - R^*(X_*, Y_*, Z_*, \nabla^* C_* H_*) \circ \pi \\ &= C(R^*(X, Y, Z, H)) - R^*(H\nabla_c X, Y, Z, H) - R^*(X, H\nabla_c Y, Z, H) \\ &\quad - R^*(X, Y, H\nabla_c Z, H) - R^*(X, Y, Z, H\nabla_c H) \\ &= (\nabla_c R)(X, Y, Z, H) + R(V\nabla_c X, Y, Z, H) + R(X, V\nabla_c Y, Z, H) \\ &\quad + R(X, Y, V\nabla_c Z, H) + R(X, Y, Z, V\nabla_c H) - (\nabla_c D)(X, Y, Z, H). \end{aligned} \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Using Lemma 4, Lemma 5 and assumption we obtain $\nabla^* R^* = 0$, in other words, N' is locally symmetric.

Example

Let $\pi; S^{2n+1} \rightarrow CP(n)$ be the standard submersion from a sphere of radius one [2] [6]. Let \bar{D} be the outward unit normal on the $S^{2n+1} \subset R^{2n+2} = C^{n+1}$. Let J is the natural almost complex structure on C^{n+1} . Let $(S^{2n+1}, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ be standard Sasakian manifold. A $(2m+1)$ -dimensional submanifold N of S^{2n+1} is said to be invariant, if the structure vector field ξ is tangent to N everywhere on N and ϕX is tangent to N for any tangent vector X to N . Any invariant submanifold N with induced structure tensors, which will be denoted by the same letters (ϕ, ξ, η, g) as S^{2n+1} , is also a Sasakian manifold. Let F is horizontal and tangent to N and E is normal to N . Using $\bar{A}_F(J\bar{D}) = JF$ and $JF = \phi F + \eta(F)\bar{D}$ we obtain $g(\bar{A}_E F, \xi) = -g(\bar{A}_E F, J\bar{D}) = g(\bar{A}_F E, J\bar{D}) = -g(E, \bar{A}_F J\bar{D}) = -g(E, JF) = -g(E, \phi F)$. From N is an invariant submanifold, we see that $g(\bar{A}_E F, \xi) = 0$. Therefore $\bar{A}_E F = 0$. The example of a locally symmetric invariant submanifold of S^{2n+1} is an unit sphere S^{2m+1} ($m < n$) with induced structure. Then $N' = \pi(S^{2m+1}) = CP^m$ is locally symmetric.

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