# On the Flatness of Weakly Symmetric Kähler Manifolds

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we have studied conformally flat weakly symmetric, concircularly flat weakly symmetric and  $W_2$ -flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifolds and proved that in such type of manifolds either the scalar curvature vanishes or the manifolds are of recurrent type.

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#### 1. Introduction

The idea of weakly symmetric manifold is introduced by L. Tamassy and T. Q. Binh<sup>1</sup>. This idea was further extended by M. Prvanovic<sup>2</sup>, F. Malek and M. Samavaki<sup>3</sup>, Tamassy, De and Binh<sup>4</sup>. In 2006, P. N. Pandey and B. B. Chaturvedi<sup>5</sup> studied almost Hermitian manifold with semi-symmetric recurrent connection and gave some interesting results. In 2000, Tamassy, De and Binh<sup>4</sup> discussed weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci symmetric Kähler manifolds and showed that if the scalar curvature is non-zero constant then the sum of associated 1-forms is zero.

An n-dimensional Riemannian manifold M is said to be weakly symmetric if the curvature tensor R of M satisfies

(1.1) 
$$(\nabla_{X}R)(Y,Z,U,V) = A(X)R(Y,Z,U,V)$$

$$+ B(Y)R(X,Z,U,V) + C(Z)R(Y,X,U,V)$$

$$+ D(U)R(Y,Z,X,V) + E(V)R(Y,Z,U,X),$$

where A, B, C, D, E are simultaneously non-vanishing 1-forms and X, Y, Z, U, V are vector fields. In 1995, Prvanovic<sup>2</sup> proved that if M be a weakly symmetric manifold satisfying (1.1) then the 1-forms B, C, D, and E are equal i.e. B = C = D = E.

In this paper, we have assumed that  $B = C = D = E = \omega$  such that  $g(X, \rho) = \omega(X)$  and  $g(X, \alpha) = A(X)$ , for associated vector fields  $\rho$  and  $\alpha$ 

of the 1-forms  $\omega$  and A respectively. Therefore, the equation (1.1) can be written as

(1.2) 
$$(\nabla_{X}R)(Y,Z,U,V) = A(X)R(Y,Z,U,V) + \omega(Z)R(Y,X,U,V) + \omega(Y)R(X,Z,U,V) + \omega(Z)R(Y,X,U,V) + \omega(U)R(Y,Z,X,V) + \omega(V)R(Y,Z,U,X).$$

An n (even)-dimensional manifold is said to be Kähler manifold if the following conditions hold:

$$F^2 = -X$$
,  $g(\overline{X}, \overline{Y}) = g(X, Y)$ ,  $(\nabla_X F)Y = 0$ ,

where F is a tensor field of type (1,1) such that  $F(X) = \overline{X}$ , g is a Riemannian metric and  $\nabla$  is Levi-Civita connection.

### 2. Conformally flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifold

If *M* be a weakly symmetric Kähler manifold then the curvature tensor *R* satisfies

(2.1) 
$$R(\overline{Y}, \overline{Z}, U, V) = R(Y, Z, U, V).$$

Taking covariant derivative of equation (2.1), we can write

$$(2.2) \qquad (\nabla_{\mathbf{Y}} R)(\overline{Y}, \overline{Z}, U, V) = (\nabla_{\mathbf{Y}} R)(Y, Z, U, V).$$

Using (1.2) in (2.2), we have

(2.3) 
$$\omega(Y)R(X,Z,U,V) + \omega(Z)R(Y,X,U,V) = \omega(\overline{Y})R(X,\overline{Z},U,V) + \omega(\overline{Z})R(\overline{Y},X,U,V).$$

Putting  $Z = U = e_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$  in (2.3) and summing over i, we get

(2.4) 
$$\omega(Y)S(X,V) + R(X,Y,V,\rho) = \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{V}) - R(X,\overline{Y},V,\overline{\rho}).$$

We know that the Weyl conformal curvature tensor C on an n (>3)-dimensional manifold M is given by

(2.5) 
$$C(X,Y,Z,T) = R(X,Y,Z,T) - \frac{1}{(n-2)} [S(Y,Z)g(X,T) - S(X,Z)g(Y,T) + S(X,T)g(Y,Z) - S(Y,T)g(X,Z)] + \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)} [g(Y,Z)g(X,T) - g(X,Z)g(Y,T)].$$

If the manifold be conformally flat then from (2.5) the expression of the Riemannian curvature tensor R is given by

(2.6) 
$$R(X,Y,Z,T) = \frac{1}{(n-2)} [S(Y,Z)g(X,T) - S(X,Z)g(Y,T) + S(X,T)g(Y,Z) - S(Y,T)g(X,Z)] - \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)} [g(Y,Z)g(X,T) - g(X,Z)g(Y,T)].$$

Using (2.6) in (2.4), we have

$$\omega(Y)S(X,Z) + \frac{1}{(n-2)}[\omega(X)S(Y,Z) - \omega(Y)S(X,Z) + S(X,\rho)g(Y,Z) - S(Y,\rho)g(X,Z)]$$

$$-\frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)}[\omega(X)g(Y,Z) - \omega(Y)g(X,Z)]$$

$$= \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z}) - \frac{1}{(n-2)}[\omega(\overline{X})S(Y,\overline{Z}) - \omega(Y)S(X,Z) + S(X,\overline{\rho})g(\overline{Y},Z) - S(Y,\rho)g(X,Z)]$$

$$+\frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)}[\omega(\overline{X})g(Y,\overline{Z}) - \omega(Y)g(X,Z)].$$

Substituting  $X = Z = e_i, 1 \le i \le n$  in (2.7) and summing over i, we get

(2.8) 
$$S(Y, \rho) = \frac{r}{2}\omega(Y).$$

Also, equation (2.4) can be written as

(2.9) 
$$\omega(Y)S(X,V) + R(X,Y,V,\rho) = \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{V}) + R(X,\overline{Y},\overline{V},\rho).$$

Using (2.6) in (2.9), we have

(2.10) 
$$\omega(Y)S(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z}) = \frac{1}{(n-2)} [\omega(Y)S(X,Z) + S(Y,\rho)g(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z}) - S(\overline{Y},\rho)g(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z})] - \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)} [\omega(Y)g(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})g(X,\overline{Z})].$$

Putting  $X = Z = e_i, 1 \le i \le n$  and taking summation over *i*, equation (2.10) yields

(2.11) 
$$S(Y, \rho) = \frac{(n^2 - 3n + 3)}{n(n-1)} r\omega(Y).$$

Now, using (2.8) in (2.11), we get

(2.12) 
$$(n-2)(n-3)r\omega(Y) = 0.$$

Since n>3, we have  $r.\omega(Y)=0$  which implies either r=0 or  $\omega(Y)=0$ .

But if  $\omega(Y) = 0$  then equation (1.2) reduces to

(2.13) 
$$(\nabla_{X} R)(Y, Z, U, V) = A(X)R(Y, Z, U, V),$$

which shows that *M* is a recurrent manifold.

Thus we can state:

**Theorem 2.1:** Let M be a conformally flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifold then either scalar curvature vanishes or M is a recurrent manifold.

## 3. Concircularly flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifold

The concircular curvature tensor H of type (0,4) in an n-dimensional Riemannian manifold M is defined by

(3.1) 
$$H(X,Y,Z,U) = R(X,Y,Z,U) - \frac{r}{n(n-1)} [g(Y,Z)g(X,U) - g(X,Z)g(Y,U)].$$

If M be concircularly flat then above equation gives

(3.2) 
$$R(X,Y,Z,U) = \frac{r}{n(n-1)} [g(Y,Z)g(X,U) - g(X,Z)g(Y,U)].$$

Using (3.2) in (2.4), we have

(3.3) 
$$\omega(Y)S(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z}) + \frac{r}{n(n-1)} [\omega(X)g(Y,Z) + \omega(\overline{X})g(Y,\overline{Z}) - 2\omega(Y)g(X,Z)] = 0.$$

Putting  $X = Z = e_i, 1 \le i \le n$  and taking summation over *i*, equation (3.3) yields

$$(3.4) (n-2)r\omega(Y) = 0.$$

Clearly, above equation implies either n=2 or r=0 or  $\omega(Y)=0$ .

But if  $\omega(Y)=0$  then equation (1.2) reduces to

(3.5) 
$$(\nabla_X R)(Y, Z, U, V) = A(X)R(Y, Z, U, V),$$

which shows that M is a recurrent manifold.

Hence, we have:

**Theorem 3.1:** Let M be a concircularly flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifold then for n>2 either scalar curvature vanishes or M is a recurrent manifold.

## 4. W<sub>2</sub>-flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifold

In 1970, the  $W_2$  curvature tensor is introduced by G. P. Pokhariyal and R. S. Mishra<sup>8</sup> and for *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold M, defined by

(4.1) 
$$W_{2}(X,Y,Z,U) = R(X,Y,Z,U) + \frac{1}{(n-1)} [S(Y,U)g(X,Z) - S(X,U)g(Y,Z)].$$

If M be  $W_2$ -flat then above equation reduces to

(4.2) 
$$R(X,Y,Z,U) = \frac{1}{(n-1)} [S(X,U)g(Y,Z) - S(Y,U)g(X,Z)].$$

By using (4.2), equation (2.4) gives

(4.3) 
$$\omega(Y)S(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z}) + \frac{1}{(n-1)}[S(X,\rho)g(Y,Z) + S(X,\overline{\rho})g(\overline{Y},Z) - 2S(Y,\rho)g(X,Z)] = 0.$$

Putting  $X = Z = e_i, 1 \le i \le n$  and taking summation over *i*, equation (4.3) gives

(4.4) 
$$S(Y, \rho) = \frac{(n-1)r+2}{2n}\omega(Y).$$

Again, using (4.2) in (2.9), we have

(4.5) 
$$\omega(Y)S(X,Z) - \omega(\overline{Y})S(X,\overline{Z})$$

$$+\frac{1}{(n-1)}[S(\overline{Y},\rho)g(X,\overline{Z})-S(Y,\rho)g(X,Z)]=0.$$

Putting  $X = Z = e_i, 1 \le i \le n$  and taking summation over *i*, equation (4.5) gives

(4.6) 
$$S(Y, \rho) = \frac{(n-1)}{n} r \omega(Y).$$

Equations (4.4) and (4.6) together yields

$$(4.7) [(n-1)r-2]\omega(Y) = 0,$$

which implies either r=2/(n-1) or  $\omega(Y)=0$ .

Now, if  $\omega(Y)=0$  then equation (1.2) gives

(4.8) 
$$(\nabla_{X} R)(Y, Z, U, V) = A(X)R(Y, Z, U, V),$$

which is the condition of recurrent manifold.

Thus we conclude:

**Theorem 4.1:** Let M be a  $W_2$ -flat weakly symmetric Kähler manifold then for n>1 either scalar curvature r=2/(n-1) or M is recurrent manifold.

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