

ON ALMOST COMPLEX STRUCTURES ON FIBRE BUNDLES

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ABSTRACT. If α is an almost complex structure on a manifold M then there is not a connection on M induced by α . In this paper the problem of connections on a fibre bundle $\pi : Y \rightarrow M$, $\dim M = \dim$ of fibres, which can be constructed from a given almost complex structure α on M only is explored.

INTRODUCTION

Let α be an almost complex structure (ACS) on a manifold M , $\dim M = 2m$, α is a (1,1)-tensor field on M such that $\alpha^2 = -Id_{TM}$. It is known, see [3], [4], that there is no connection on M , linear connection on the tangent bundle $p_M : TM \rightarrow M$, which is canonically induced by α . If α is an ACS on a fibre bundle $\pi : Y \rightarrow M$, $\dim M$ is the dimension of fibres, then the question of connections on Y entirely determined by α arises. Examples of such fibre bundles are $p_M : TM \rightarrow M$ and the cotangent bundle $\pi : T^*M \rightarrow M$. In this paper we construct connections from the given (1,1)-tensor field α on Y with emphasis on the ACS-case. If $Y = TM$ then there are some special geometric objects on TM which are in interesting relations to our topic. We have discussed them in [2]. In this paper all maps and manifolds are supposed to be smooth.

CONNECTIONS AND ALMOST COMPLEX STRUCTURES ON Y

Let (x^i, y^i) be a local fibre chart on a fibre bundle $\pi : Y \rightarrow M$, $\dim M$ is the dimension of fibres.

Let us recall that a connection Γ on TY can be considered as a (1,1)-tensor field h_Γ (horizontal form of Γ), such that $T\pi h_\Gamma = T\pi$, $h_\Gamma(VY) = 0$, where $T\pi$ is the tangent map of the map π and VY is the vector bundle of all vertical vectors on Y , $h_\Gamma = dx^i \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + \Gamma_j^i(x, y) dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$. Then $h_\Gamma(TY) = H\Gamma$ is the so-called horizontal subbundle of Γ ; $(x^i, y^i, dx^i, dy^i) \in H\Gamma$ if and only if $dy^i = \Gamma_j^i dx^j$, $\Gamma_j^i(x, y)$ are said to be the functions of Γ .

Let $\alpha = (\alpha_j^i(x, y) dx^j + b_j^i(x, y) dy^j) \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + (c_j^i(x, y) dx^j + h_j^i(x, y) dy^j) \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$ be a (1,1)-tensor field on Y . It is called vertical if $\alpha(VY) \subset VY$.

Denote $B : T\pi\alpha|_{VY} = b_j^i dy^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i$.

It means that B can be considered as a vector bundle morphism $VY \rightarrow TM$ over π or $VY \rightarrow Y \times_M TM$ over $Id|_Y$, i.e. as a section $Y \rightarrow V^*Y \otimes_Y TM$.

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Lemma 1. A (1,1)-tensor field α is vertical iff $B = 0$.

Proof is evident from the local form of α and B .

Remark 1. If B is regular, i.e. if it is an isomorphism, then we get the inverse vector bundle isomorphism $B^{-1} : Yx_M TM \rightarrow VY$ over $Id|_Y$, i.e. a section $B^{-1} : Y \rightarrow T^*M \otimes \otimes_Y VY$, $B^{-1} = \tilde{b}_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y_i$, $\tilde{b}_k^i b_j^k = \delta_j^i$, i.e. a semibasic (1,1)-vector form with values in VY .

We will consider two cases.

1. $B \neq 0$, i.e. $\alpha(VY) \not\subset VY$, i.e. α is not vertical.

Let $\Gamma, dy^i = \Gamma_j^i dx^j$, be a connection on Y . Let $X = \eta^i \partial/\partial y^i$ be an arbitrary vertical vector on Y . Then $\alpha(X) = b_j^i \eta^j \partial/\partial x^i + h_j^i \eta^j \partial/\partial y^i$ is Γ -horizontal, i.e. $\alpha(X) \in H\Gamma$, if and only if $\Gamma_k^i b_j^k \eta^j = h_j^i \eta^j$. It means that $\alpha(VY) \subset H\Gamma$ iff

$$(1) \quad \Gamma_k^i b_j^k = h_j^i.$$

It immediately gives

Proposition 1. If and only if B is regular there is a unique connection Γ_α^2 on Y such that $H\Gamma_\alpha^2 = \alpha(VY)$.

The relation (1) induces that if B is regular then the functions of the connection Γ_α^2 are $\Gamma_j^i = h_k^i \tilde{b}_j^k$.

We will construct another connections on Y when B is regular. Let $X = \xi^i \partial/\partial x^i + \eta^i \partial/\partial y^i$ be a vector on Y . Then $\alpha(X) = (a_j^i \xi^j + b_j^i \eta^j) \partial/\partial x^i + (c_j^i \xi^j + h_j^i \eta^j) \partial/\partial y^i$ is vertical if and only if

$$(2) \quad a_j^i \xi^j + b_j^i \eta^j = 0.$$

This leads

Proposition 2. If and only if B is regular there is a unique connection Γ_α^1 on Y such that $\alpha(H\Gamma_\alpha^1) = VY$, i.e. with the functions $\Gamma_j^i = -\tilde{b}_k^i a_j^k$.

Remark 2. Recall that if φ is a semibasic (1,1)-form on Y with values in VY , i.e. if φ is a section $Y \rightarrow T^*M \otimes_Y VY$ and h_Γ is the horizontal form of a connection Γ on Y then $h_\Gamma + \varphi$ is the other connection on Y . So if B is regular then $h_{\Gamma_\alpha^1} + cB^{-1}$ and $h_{\Gamma_\alpha^2} + cB^{-1}$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$, are another connections on Y .

The (1,1)-tensor form α is a vector bundle morphism $TY \rightarrow TY$ over $Id|_{TM}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 = \alpha\alpha &= [(a_s^i a_j^s + b_s^i c_j^s) dx^j + (a_s^i b_j^s + b_s^i h_j^s) dy^j] \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + \\ &+ [(c_s^i a_j^s + h_s^i c_j^s) dx^j + (c_s^i b_j^s + h_s^i h_j^s) dy^j] \otimes \partial/\partial y^i. \end{aligned}$$

So α is an ACS on Y , i.e. $\alpha^2 = -Id|_{TY}$, iff

$$(3) \quad a_s^i a_j^s + b_s^i c_j^s = -\delta_j^i, \quad a_s^i b_j^s + b_s^i h_j^s = 0, \quad c_s^i a_j^s + h_s^i c_j^s = 0, \quad c_s^i b_j^s + h_s^i h_j^s = -\delta_j^i.$$

It is easy to see that if B is regular then the third and fourth equations of the relations (3) are the consequence of the first and second ones.

Proposition 3. Let α be a (1,1)-tensor field on Y such that B is regular. Then $\Gamma_\alpha^1 = \Gamma_\alpha^2$ if and only if α^2 is vertical.

Proof. α^2 is vertical iff the second equation of (3) is satisfied, i.e. iff $a_j^i = b_s^i h_k^s \tilde{b}_j^k$. Then ${}^1\Gamma_j^i = -\tilde{b}_s^i a_j^s = h_k^i \tilde{b}_j^k = {}^2\Gamma_j^i$. Conversely, if $\Gamma_\alpha^1 = \Gamma_\alpha^2$ then $-\tilde{b}_s^i a_j^s = h_k^i \tilde{b}_j^k$, i.e. $-a_s^i b_j^s = b_s^i h_j^s$, i.e. α^2 is vertical.

We will focus ourselves to the connections Γ which are invariant according to α , i.e. $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$.

Let $h_\Gamma = dx^i \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + \Gamma_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$ be an arbitrary connection on Y . Then

$$\alpha h_\Gamma = (a_j^i + b_k^i \Gamma_j^k) dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + (c_j^i + h_k^i \Gamma_j^k) dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i.$$

Let $\bar{\Gamma}$ be another connection given by the equation $dy^i = \bar{\Gamma}_j^i dx^j$. Then $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\bar{\Gamma}$ if and only if

$$(4) \quad \bar{\Gamma}_k^i (a_j^k + b_u^k \Gamma_j^u) = c_j^i + h_k^i \Gamma_j^k \quad \text{or} \\ (5) \quad c_j^i = \Gamma_k^i a_j^k - h_k^i \Gamma_j^k + \Gamma_k^i b_u^k \Gamma_j^u \quad \text{for } \bar{\Gamma} = \Gamma.$$

Consider the space $VY \otimes_Y T^*M$ of all semibasic VY -valued (1,1)-forms on Y . Let $\gamma = \gamma_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i \in T^*M \otimes_Y VY$. Denote

$$\alpha^- : \gamma \rightarrow \alpha\gamma = b_t^i \gamma_j^t dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + h_t^i \gamma_j^t dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i, \quad T^*M \otimes_Y VY \rightarrow T^*M \otimes TY, \\ \alpha^+ : \gamma \rightarrow \gamma\alpha = (\gamma_k^i a_j^k dx^j + \gamma_k^i b_j^k dy^j) \otimes \partial/\partial y^i, \quad T^*M \otimes_Y VY \rightarrow T^*Y \otimes VY.$$

Note that if B is regular then $\alpha^-(B^{-1}) = h_{\Gamma_\alpha^2}$ and $\alpha^+(B^{-1})$ is the vertical form $v_\Gamma = Id_{TY} - h_{\Gamma_\alpha^1}$ of the connection Γ_α^1 .

Definition 1. Two (1,1)-tensor fields α_1, α_2 on Y will be called $(+, -)$ -equivalent if $\alpha_1^- = \alpha_2^-$, $\alpha_1^+ = \alpha_2^+$.

It is evident that the relations ${}^1a_j^i = {}^2a_j^i$, ${}^1b_j^i = {}^2b_j^i$, ${}^1h_j^i = {}^2h_j^i$ are the coordinate conditions for α_1, α_2 to be $(+, -)$ -equivalent.

The relation (4) immediately yields

Proposition 4. Let $\Gamma, \bar{\Gamma}$ be connections on Y . Then in every class of the $(+, -)$ -equivalent (1,1)-tensor fields on Y there exists a unique (1,1)-tensor field $\alpha_{\Gamma, \bar{\Gamma}}$ such that $\alpha_{\Gamma, \bar{\Gamma}}(H\Gamma) \subset H\bar{\Gamma}$.

If $\Gamma = \bar{\Gamma}$ then we use the denotation α_Γ instead of $\alpha_{\Gamma, \Gamma}$.

Proposition 5. Let α be such a (1,1)-tensor field on Y that B is regular. Then $\alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^1} = \alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^2}$ and $\alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^1}$ cannot be an almost complex structure on Y .

Proof. By the relation (5) in both cases of Γ_α^1 and Γ_α^2 we get $c_j^i = h_t^i \tilde{b}_s^t a_j^s$. So $\alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^1} = \alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^2} = (a_j^i dx^j + b_j^i dy^j) \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + (h_t^i \tilde{b}_s^t a_j^s dx^j + h_j^i dy^j) \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$.

If $\alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^1}$ is an ACS then the first and second equations of (3) read

$$a_s^i a_j^s + b_s^i h_t^s \tilde{b}_k^t a_j^k = -\delta_j^i, \quad \tilde{b}_t^i a_j^t + h_t^i \tilde{b}_j^t = 0.$$

Then $a_s^i a_j^s - b_s^i \tilde{b}_t^s a_k^t a_j^k = -\delta_j^i$. It is not possible. So $\alpha_{\Gamma_\alpha^1}$ cannot be an almost complex structure on Y .

Definition 2. Let $(1,1)_B$ denote the set of all $(1,1)$ -tensor field α on Y such that B is regular. We will say that two $(1,1)$ -tensor field $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in (1,1)_B$ are $(+)$ -equivalent if $\alpha_1^+ = \alpha_2^+$.

In coordinates, α_1 and α_2 are $(+)$ -equivalent iff ${}^1a_j^i = {}^2a_j^i$, ${}^1b_j^i = {}^2b_j^i$, $\det {}^1b_j^i \neq 0$, $\det {}^2b_j^i \neq 0$.

Proposition 6. In every class of all $(+)$ -equivalent $(1,1)$ -tensor fields there is a unique almost complex structure on Y .

Proof in coordinates. A class of all $(+)$ -equivalent $(1,1)$ -tensor fields is given by the local functions $a_j^i, b_j^i, \det b_j^i \neq 0$. By the first and second equations of the relation (3) a tensor field of this class is an ACS iff $c_j^i = -\tilde{b}_j^i - \tilde{b}_k^i a_s^k a_j^s$, $h_j^i = -\tilde{b}_s^i a_k^s b_j^k$. It completes our proof.

Remark 3. The same can be said for the class of $(-)$ -equivalent tensor fields.

Remark 4. If α is an ACS on Y then α is vertical and so $\Gamma_\alpha^1 = \Gamma_\alpha^2$.

Proposition 7. Let Γ be a connection on Y . Let $B : Y \rightarrow V^*Y \otimes_Y TM$, $B = b_j^i dy^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i$, be a vector bundle isomorphism $VY \rightarrow TM$ over π . Then there exists a unique almost complex structure α on Y such that $T\pi\alpha|_{VY} = B$ and $\Gamma_\alpha^1 = \Gamma = \Gamma_\alpha^2$.

Proof. Let Γ_j^i be the functions of Γ . Let α be an arbitrary $(1,1)$ -tensor field on Y such that $T\pi\alpha|_{VY} = B$ and $\Gamma_\alpha^1 = \Gamma = \Gamma_\alpha^2$. Then $\Gamma_j^i = -\tilde{b}_k^i a_j^k$, $\Gamma_j^i = h_k^i \tilde{b}_j^k$, i.e. $a_j^i = -b_s^i \Gamma_j^s$, $h_j^i = \Gamma_s^i b_j^s$ and the second equation of (3) is satisfied. By the first equation of (3) α is an ACS iff $c_j^i = -\tilde{b}_j^i - \Gamma_s^i b_u^s \Gamma_j^u$. So such an ACS locally exists and is unique.

We are turning to the second case of α .

2. Let $B = T\pi\alpha|_{VY} = 0$, i.e. $\alpha(VY) \subset VY$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + (c_j^i dx^j + h_j^i dy^j) \otimes \partial/\partial y^i, \\ A &:= T\pi\alpha = a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i \\ H &:= \alpha|_{VY} = h_j^i dy^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i.\end{aligned}$$

So A is a section $Y \rightarrow T^*M \otimes_Y TM$ determining a vector bundle morphism $TY \rightarrow TM$ over $\pi : Y \rightarrow M$ or $Yx_M TM \rightarrow Yx_M TM$ over Id_Y and H is a section $Y \rightarrow V^*Y \otimes VY$ determining a vector bundle morphism $VY \rightarrow VY$ over Id_Y .

Let $\Gamma, \bar{\Gamma}$ be two connections on Y with the local functions $\Gamma_j^i, \bar{\Gamma}_j^i$. When $B = 0$ the equations (4) and (5) read

$$(4') \quad c_j^i = \bar{\Gamma}_k^i a_j^k - h_k^i \Gamma_j^k,$$

$$(5') \quad c_j^i = \Gamma_k^i a_j^k - h_k^i \Gamma_j^k.$$

Proposition 4 can be reformulated as follows

Proposition 8. Let $H : Y \rightarrow V^*Y \otimes VY$, $A : Y \rightarrow T^*M \otimes_Y TM$ be two sections. Let $\Gamma, \bar{\Gamma}$ be two connections on Y . Then there is a unique vertical (1,1)-tensor field $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma, \bar{\Gamma})$ on Y such that $\alpha|_{VY} = H$, $T\pi\alpha = A$, $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\bar{\Gamma}$.

If $\Gamma = \bar{\Gamma}$ we use the denotation $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)$ instead of $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma, \bar{\Gamma})$.

In the case of a vertical (1,1)-tensor field α the coordinate conditions (3) for α to be an ACS are of the form

$$(3') \quad a_s^i a_j^s = -\delta_j^i, \quad c_s^i a_j^s + h_s^i c_j^s = 0, \quad h_s^i h_h^s = -\delta_j^i.$$

Preserving the above denotations we have the following vector bundle morphism on $T^*M \otimes_Y VY$ over Id_Y :

$$\begin{aligned} H^- : \gamma &\rightarrow H\gamma = h_k^i \gamma_j^k dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i, \quad \gamma \in T^*M \otimes_Y VY, \text{ so } H^- = \alpha^-, \\ A^+ : \gamma &\rightarrow \gamma A = \gamma_k^i a_j^k dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i, \text{ so } A^+ = \alpha^+, \\ \mathcal{H} : A^+ - H^- : \gamma &\rightarrow (\gamma_k^i a_j^k - h_k^i \gamma_j^k) dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i, \\ \bar{\mathcal{H}} := A^+ + H^- : \gamma &\rightarrow (\gamma_k^i a_j^k + h_k^i \gamma_j^k) dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i. \end{aligned}$$

The relation (5') immediately gives

Proposition 9. Let α be a such vertical (1,1)-tensor field on Y that the map \mathcal{H} is a vector bundle isomorphism on $T^*M \otimes_Y VY$ over Id_Y . Then there is a unique connection Γ on Y such that $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$.

Lemma 2. If a vertical (1,1)-tensor field α is an almost complex structure on Y then the maps \mathcal{H} and $\bar{\mathcal{H}}$ are not isomorphisms on $T^*M \otimes_Y VY$.

Proof. The map $(H^- + A^+)\mathcal{H} = H^-\mathcal{H} + A^+\mathcal{H} : \gamma \rightarrow (h_t^i \gamma_k^t a_j^k - h_t^i h_k^t \gamma_j^k) + (\gamma_t^i a_k^t a_j^k - h_t^i \gamma_k^t a_j^k)$ is a vector bundle morphism on $T^*Y \otimes_Y VY$. If α is on ACS on Y then by (3') we get $(H^- + A^+)\mathcal{H} = 0$. If \mathcal{H} is regular then $H^- + A^+ = 0$. But the equation $H\gamma = -\gamma A$ is satisfied for all $\gamma \in T^*M \otimes_Y VY$ if and only if $H = k \cdot Id = -A$, $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $h_k^i h_j^k = k^2 \delta_j^i$, i.e. $k^2 = -1$. It is contrary with $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Analogously the supposition " $\bar{\mathcal{H}}$ is regular" leads to contradiction.

Remark 5. If α is a vertical ACS on Y then according to (5') such a connection Γ that $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$ can but not have to exist. If it exists then it does not need to be unique.

Remark 6. Let $A : Y \rightarrow T^*M \otimes_Y TM$ be an ACS on $Yx_M TM$. Let $H : Y \rightarrow V^*Y \otimes VY$ be an ACS on VY . In view of the relation (3') there exists a vertical ACS α on Y such that $T\pi\alpha = A$, $\alpha|_{VY} = H$ and is not unique.

Proposition 10. Let $A : Y \rightarrow T^*M \otimes_Y TM$ be an ACS on $Yx_M TM$. Let $H : Y \rightarrow V^*Y \otimes VY$ be an ACS on VY . Let Γ be a connection on Y . Then the vertical (1,1)-tensor field $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)$ described in Proposition 8 is an almost complex structure.

Proof. By Proposition 8, $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)$ is the unique vertical (1,1)-tensor field on Y such that $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)|_{VY} = H$, $T\pi\alpha(A, H, \Gamma) = A$ and $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$. If $A = a_j^i dx^j \otimes$

$\otimes \partial/\partial x^i$, $H = h_j^i dy^j \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$ and Γ_j^i are the functions of Γ then the coordinates c_j^i of $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)$ are determined by (5'). So $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma) = a_j^i dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + [(\Gamma_k^i a_j^k - h_k^i \Gamma_j^k) dx^j + h_j^i dy^j] \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$. The functions a_j^i, h_j^i satisfy the first and third equations of (3'). Then $c_s^i a_j^s + h_s^i c_j^s = (\Gamma_k^i a_s^k - h_k^i \Gamma_s^k) a_j^s + h_s^i (\Gamma_k^s a_j^k - h_k^s \Gamma_j^k) = 0$. So $\alpha(A, H, \Gamma)$ satisfies the relations 3 and is an almost complex structure.

Remark 7. Let $\pi : Y \rightarrow M$ be a vector fibre bundle. Let α be a VB -(1,1)-tensor field, i.e. $\alpha(X)$ is a linear projectable vector field on Y for all linear projectable vector fields X on Y . In a local fibre chart $\alpha = a_j^i(x) dx^j \otimes \partial/\partial x^i + [c_{jk}^i(x) y^k dx^j + h_j^i(x) dy^j] \otimes \partial/\partial y^i$, see [1]. In this case $\alpha|_{VY} = H$ is a vector bundle morphism on Y over Id_M with the coordinate expression: $\bar{x}^i = x^i$, $\bar{y}^i = h_j^i(x) y^j$. These equations with the added following ones $d\bar{x}^i = dx^i$, $d\bar{y}^i = h_{jk}^i y^j dx^k + h_j^i dy^j$, where we use $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} := f_i$, determine the tangent map TH . Let $\Gamma, \Gamma_j^i(x, y) = \Gamma_{jk}^i y^j$, be a linear connection on Y . Then it is easy to deduce that the equations

$$\Gamma_{js}^i h_k^s - h_s^i \Gamma_{jk}^s = h_{kj}^i$$

are the coordinate conditions under which $TH(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$. The solution Γ_{js}^i of these equations can but not has to exist. Let $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$. Then by (5'): $c_{kj}^i = \Gamma_{sj}^i a_k^s - h_s^i \Gamma_{kj}^s$. If Γ is without torsion then the conditions $TH(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$, $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$ lead to

$$(6) \quad \Gamma_{js}^i (h_k^s - a_k^s) = h_{kj}^i - c_{kj}^i.$$

If $H - A$ has sense (for instance in the case of $y = TM$) and if $H - A$ is regular then there is a unique solution Γ_{js}^i of (6). For example if $A = -H$, and H is regular then $\Gamma_{js}^i = \frac{1}{2}(h_{ks}^i - c_{ks}^i) \tilde{h}_s^k$. In view of Proposition 10 we can say that if α is a symmetric VB -almost complex structure on TM such that $A = -H$, then there exists a unique symmetric linear connection such that $TH(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$, $\alpha(H\Gamma) \subset H\Gamma$. We will deal in detail with such an almost complex structure in our other paper.

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