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Parallel spinors on pseudo-Riemannian $spin^c$ manifolds^{\Leftrightarrow}

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Abstract

We describe, by their holonomy groups, all simply connected irreducible non-locally symmetric pseudo-Riemannian *spin^c* manifolds which admit parallel spinors. So we generalize the Riemannian *spin^c* case [A. Moroianu, Parallel and killing spinors on *spin^c* manifolds, Commun. Math. Phys. 187 (1997) 417–427] and the pseudo-Riemannian *spin* one [1]. © 2005 Elsevier B.V. All rights reserved.

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1. Introduction

In [13], Moroianu described all simply connected Riemannian *spin^c* manifolds admitting parallel spinors. Precisely, he showed the following result:

Theorem 1. A simply connected Riemannian spin^c manifolds (M, g) admits a parallel spinor if and only if it is isometric to the Riemannian product $(M_1, g_1) \times (M_2, g_2)$ of a

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Holonomy group	Ν
$\overline{SU(p',q') \subset SO(2p',2q')}$	2
$Sp(p',q') \subset SO(4p',4q')$	p' + q' + 1
$G_2 \subset SO(7)$	1
$G'_{2(2)} \subset SO(4,3)$	1
$G_2^{\mathbb{C}} \subset SO(7,7)$	2
$Spin(7) \subset SO(8)$	1
$Spin(4,3) \subset SO(4,4)$	1
$Spin(7, \mathbb{C}) \subset SO(8, 8)$	1

complete simply connected Kähler manifold (M_1, g_1) and a complete simply connected spin manifold (M_2, g_2) admitting a parallel spinor. The spin^c structure of (M, g) is then the product of the canonical spin^c structure of (M_1, g_1) and the spin structure of (M_2, g_2) .

In [1], Baum and Kath characterized, by their holonomy group, all simply connected irreducible non-locally symmetric pseudo-Riemannian *spin* manifolds admitting parallel spinors. Precisely, they proved the following result:

Theorem 2. Let (M, g) be a simply connected irreducible non-locally symmetric pseudo-Riemannian spin manifold of dimension n = p + q and signature (p, q). We denote by Nthe dimension of the space of parallel spinors on M. Then (M, g) admits a parallel spinors if and only if the holonomy group H of M is (up to conjugacy in O(p, q)) one in the Table 1:

Our aim is to generalize this result for the simply connected irreducible non-locally symmetric pseudo-Riemannian $spin^c$ manifolds. More precisely, we show that:

Theorem 3. Let (M, g) be a connected simply connected irreducible non-locally symmetric spin^c pseudo-Riemannian manifold of dimension n = p + q and signature (p, q). Then the following conditions are equivalent

- (i) (M, g) admits a parallel spinor,
- (ii) either (M, g) is a spin manifold which admit a parallel spinor, or (M, g) is a Kähler not Ricci-flat manifold,
- (iii) the holonomy group H of (M, g) is (up to conjugacy in O(p, q)) one in Table 1 or H = U(p', q'), p = 2p' and q = 2q'.

For H = U(p', q') the dimension of the space of parallel spinors on M is 1.

This theorem is a contribution to the resolution of the following problem: (**P**) What are the possible holonomy groups of simply connected pseudo-Riemannian *spin*^c manifolds which admit parallel spinors? Some partial answers to this problem have been given by Wang for the Riemannian *spin* case [15], by Baum and Kath for the irreducible pseudo-Riemannian *spin* one [1], by Leistner for the Lorentzian *spin* one [10,12], by Moroianu for the Riemannian *spin*^c one (Theorem 1), and by author for the totally reducible pseudo-

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Table 1

Riemannian *spin* one and the Lorentzian $spin^c$ one [7,8]. The problem remains open even though big progress have been made because the classification of the possible holonomy groups of pseudo-Riemannian manifolds is not yet made with the exception of the irreducible case made by Berger [3,4] and the case of Lorentzian manifolds made by Bérard Bergery, the author, Leistner and Galaev [2,11,12,6]. By De Rham-Wu's splitting theorem, the problem (**P**) can be reduced to the case of the indecomposable pseudo-Riemannian manifolds (its holonomy representation does not leave invariant any non-degenerate proper subspace). But the general classification remains extremely difficult, because some indecomposable but non irreducible manifolds exist, i.e. its holonomy representation leaves invariant a degenerate proper subspace but its does not leave invariant any non-degenerate proper subspace of the indecomposable case that is a particular case of the indecomposable one.

In paragraph 2 of this paper we define the group $Spin^{c}(p, q)$ and its spin representation. We also define the $spin^{c}$ -structure on pseudo-Riemannian manifolds and its associated spinor bundle. In paragraph 2 we give an algebraic characterization of the pseudo-Riemannian $spin^{c}$ manifolds which admit parallel spinors and we prove Theorem 3.

2. Spinor representations and spin^c-bundles

2.1. $Spin^{c}(p, q)$ groups

Let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{p,q}$ be the ordinary scalar product of signature (p, q) on $\mathbb{R}^m (m = p + q)$. Let $Cl_{p,q}$ be the Clifford algebra of $\mathbb{R}^{p,q} := (\mathbb{R}^m, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{p,q})$ and $\mathbb{C}l_{p,q}$ its complexification. We denote by \cdot the Clifford multiplication of $\mathbb{C}l_{p,q}$. $\mathbb{C}l_{p,q}$ contains the groups:

$$\mathbb{S}^{1} := \{ z \in \mathbb{C}; \| z \| = 1 \}$$

and

$$Spin(p,q) := \{X_1, \ldots, X_{2k}; \langle X_i, X_i \rangle_{p,q} = \pm 1; k \ge 0\}.$$

Since $\mathbb{S}^1 \cap Spin(p, q) = \{-1, 1\}$, we define the group $Spin^c(p, q)$ by:

$$Spin^{c}(p,q) := Spin(p,q) \cdot \mathbb{S}^{1} = Spin(p,q) \times_{\mathbb{Z}_{2}} \mathbb{S}^{1}$$

Consequently, the elements of $Spin^{c}(p, q)$ are the classes [g, z] of pairs $(g, z) \in Spin(p, q) \times \mathbb{S}^{1}$, under the equivalence relation $(g, z) \sim (-g, -z)$. The following sequences are exact (see [9]):

$$1 \to \mathbb{Z}_2 \to Spin(p,q) \stackrel{\wedge}{\to} SO(p,q) \to 1$$
$$1 \to \mathbb{Z}_2 \to Spin^c(p,q) \stackrel{\xi}{\to} SO(p,q) \times \mathbb{S}^1 \to 1$$

where $\lambda(g)(x) = g \cdot x \cdot g^{-1}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\xi([g, z]) = (\lambda(g), z^2)$. Let $(e_i)_{1 \le i \le m}$ be an orthonormal basis of $\mathbb{R}^{p,q}$ ($\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \varepsilon_i \delta_{ij}, \varepsilon_i = -1$ for $1 \le i \le p$ and $\varepsilon_i = +1$ for $1 + p \le i \le m$). The Lie algebras of Spin(p, q) and $Spin^c(p, q)$ are respectively:

$$spin(p,q) := \{e_i \cdot e_j; 1 \le i < j \le m\}$$

and

$$spin^{c}(p,q) := spin(p,q) \oplus i\mathbb{R}.$$

The derivative of ξ is a Lie algebra isomorphism and it is given by:

$$\xi_*(e_i \cdot e_j, \mathrm{i}t) = (\lambda_*(e_i \cdot e_j), \mathrm{i}t) = (2E_{ij}, 2\mathrm{i}t),$$

where $E_{ij} = -\varepsilon_j D_{ij} + \varepsilon_i D_{ji}$ and D_{ij} is the standard basis of $gl(m, \mathbb{R})$ with the (i, j)component equal 1 and all other zero.

2.2. Spin^c representations

Let
$$U = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
, $V = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $T = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and $C(2n)$ the complex electric constraints of $2n \times 2n$ metrices. It is well know that the Clifford

 $\mathbb{C}(2^n)$ the complex algebra consisting of $2^n \times 2^n$ -matrices. It is well know that the Clifford algebra $\mathbb{C}l_{p,q}$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}(2^n)$ if m = p + q is even and to $\mathbb{C}(2^n) \oplus \mathbb{C}(2^n)$ if m is odd. Some natural isomorphisms are defined like follows (see [1]). In case m = 2n is even, we define $\Phi_{p,q} : \mathbb{C}l_{p,q} \to \mathbb{C}(2^n)$ by:

$$\Phi_{p,q}(e_{2j-1}) = \tau_{2j-1}E \otimes \cdots \otimes E \otimes U \otimes T \otimes \cdots \otimes T$$
$$\Phi_{p,q}(e_{2j}) = \tau_{2j}E \otimes \cdots \otimes E \otimes V \otimes \underbrace{T \otimes \cdots \otimes T}_{(j-1)-\text{times}},$$
(1)

where $\tau_j = i$ if $\varepsilon_j = -1$ and $\tau_j = 1$ if $\varepsilon_j = 1$. In case m = 2n + 1 is odd, $\Phi_{p,q} : \mathbb{C}l_{p,q} \to \mathbb{C}(2^n) \oplus \mathbb{C}(2^n)$ is defined by:

$$\Phi_{p,q}(e_k) = (\Phi_{p,q-1}(e_k), \Phi_{p,q-1}(e_k)), k = 1, \dots, m-1;$$

$$\Phi_{p,q}(e_m) = (\mathbf{i}T \otimes \cdots \otimes T, -\mathbf{i}T \otimes \cdots \otimes T).$$
(2)

This yields representations of the spin group Spin(p, q) in case *m* even by restriction and in case *m* odd by restriction and projection onto the first component. The module space of Spin(p, q)-representation is $\Delta_{p,q} = \mathbb{C}^{2^n}$. The Clifford multiplication is defined by:

if m is even
$$X \cdot u := \Phi_{p,q}(X)(u),$$

if m is odd $X \cdot u := pr_1 \Phi_{p,q}(X)(u),$ (3)

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for $X \in \mathbb{C}^m$ and $u \in \Delta_{p,q}$, where pr_1 is the projection onto the first component. A usual basis of $\Delta_{p,q}$ is the following: $u(v_n, \dots, v_1) := u(v_n) \otimes \dots \otimes u(v_1)$; $v_j = \pm 1$, where

$$u(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $u(-1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{C}^2$.

The spin representation of the group Spin(p, q) extends to a $Spin^{c}(p, q)$ -representation by:

$$\Phi_{p,q}([g, z])(v) = z\Phi_{p,q}(g)(v) := zg \cdot v, \quad \text{if } m \text{ is even},$$

$$\Phi_{p,q}([g, z])(v) = z pr_1 \Phi_{p,q}(g)(v) := zg \cdot v, \quad \text{if } m \text{ is odd}, \qquad (4)$$

for $v \in \Delta_{p,q}$ and $[g, z] \in Spin^{c}(p, q)$. Therefore $\Delta_{p,q}$ becomes the module space of $Spin^{c}(p, q)$ -representation (see [5]).

There exists a hermitian inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\Delta}$ on the spinor module $\Delta_{p,q}$ defined by:

$$\langle v, w \rangle_{\Delta} := \mathrm{i}^{p(p-1)/2}(e_1, \ldots, e_p v, w); \text{ for } v, w \in \Delta_{p,q},$$

where $(z, z') = \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} z_i \cdot \overline{z'_i}$ is the standard hermitian product on \mathbb{C}^{2^n} . $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\Delta}$ satisfies the following properties:

$$\langle X \cdot v, w \rangle_{\Delta} = (-1)^{p+1} \langle v, X \cdot w \rangle_{\Delta}, \tag{5}$$

for $X \in \mathbb{C}^m$.

2.3. Spinor bundles

Let (M, g) be a connected pseudo- Riemannian oriented manifold of signature (p, q). And let $P_{SO(p,q)}$ denote the bundle of positively oriented frames on M.

Definition 1. A structure *spin* on (M, g) is a λ -reduction $P_{Spin(p,q)}$ of $P_{SO(p,q)}$. A structure *spin^c* on (M, g) is a \mathbb{S}^1 -principal bundle $P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ over M and a ξ -reduction $(P_{Spin^c(p,q)}, \Lambda)$ of the product $(SO(p, q) \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ -principal bundle $P_{SO(p,q)} \times P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$, i.e. $\Lambda : P_{Spin^c(p,q)} \rightarrow (P_{SO(p,q)} \times P_{\mathbb{S}^1})$ is a two-fold covering verifying:

- (i) $P_{Spin^{c}(p,q)}$ is a $Spin^{c}(p,q)$ -principal bundle over M,
- (ii) $\forall u \in P_{Spin^{c}(p,q)}, \forall a \in Spin(p,q),$

$$\Lambda(ua) = \Lambda(a)\xi(a).$$

We note that if (M, g) is a space- and time-oriented manifold its carries a *spin^c*-structure if and only if the second Stiefl–Whitney class of $M, w_2(M) \in H^2(M, \mathbb{Z})$ is the \mathbb{Z}_2 reduction of an integral class $z \in H^2(M, \mathbb{Z}_2)$ [9,5].

Example 1. Every pseudo-Riemannian *spin* manifold is canonically a $spin^c$ manifold. The $spin^c$ - manifold is obtained as:

$$P_{Spin^{c}(p,q)} = P_{Spin(p,q)} \times_{\mathbb{Z}_{2}} \mathbb{S}^{1},$$

where $P_{Spin(p,q)}$ is the Spin-bundle and \mathbb{Z}_2 acts diagonally by (-1, -1).

Example 2. Any irreducible pseudo-Riemannian not Ricci-flat Kähler manifold is canonically a *spin^c* manifold.

Indeed the holonomy group *H* of (M, g) is U(p', q'), where (p, q) = (2p', 2q') is the signature of (M, g). Then $P_{SO(p,q)}$ is reduced to the holonomy U(p', q')-principal bundle $P_{U(p',q')}$. Moreover, there exists an $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{p,q}$ -orthogonal complex structure *J* on $\mathbb{R}^{p,q}$ witch commute with the elements of U(p', q'). Then there exist elements $(e_k)_{k=1,...,p'+q'}$ such that $(e_k, Je_k)_{k=1,...,p'+q'}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathbb{R}^{p,q}$. Hence we can imbed U(p', q') in SO(p,q) by

$$i: U(p', q') \hookrightarrow SO(p, q)$$

$$A + iB = ((a_{kl})_{1 \le k, l \le m} + i(b_{kl})_{1 \le k, l \le m}) \to \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_{kl} & b_{kl} \\ -b_{kl} & a_{kl} \end{pmatrix} \right)_{1 \le k, l \le m}$$

We consider the homomorphism

$$\alpha: U(p', q') \hookrightarrow SO(p, q) \times \mathbb{S}^1 \qquad C \to (i(C), \det(C))$$

The eigen values of every element $C \in U(p', q')$ is in \mathbb{S}^1 and

$$\cos 2\theta + \varepsilon_k \sin 2\theta e_k \cdot J e_k = \varepsilon_k (\cos \theta e_k + \sin \theta J e_k) (-\cos \theta e_k + \sin \theta J e_k),$$

where $\varepsilon_k = \langle e_k, e_k \rangle_{p,q}$. Then the following homomorphism is well defined:

$$\tilde{\alpha}: U(p',q') \hookrightarrow Spin^{c}(p,q) \qquad C \to \prod_{k=1}^{m} \left(\cos\frac{\theta_{k}}{2} + \varepsilon_{k} \sin\frac{\theta_{k}}{2}e_{k} \cdot Je_{k}\right) e^{i/2\sum \theta_{k}},$$

where $e^{i\theta_k}$, k = 1, ..., m, are the eigen values of *C*. And it is easy to verifies that the following diagram commutes

$$Spin^{c}c(p,q)$$

$$\stackrel{\widetilde{\alpha}}{\nearrow} \qquad \downarrow \xi$$

$$U(p',q') \xrightarrow{\alpha} SO(p,q) \times \mathbb{S}^{1}.$$
(6)

Consequently,

$$P_{Spin^{c}(p,q)} = P_{U(p',q')} \times_{\tilde{\alpha}} Spin^{c}(p,q).$$

Now, let us denote by $S := P_{Spin^c(p,q)} \times_{\Phi_{p,q}} \Delta_{p,q}$ the spinor bundle associated to the $spin^c$ -structure $P_{Spin(p,q)}$. The Clifford multiplication given by (3) defines a Clifford multiplication on S:

$$TM \otimes S = (P_{Spin(p,q)} \times_{\Phi_{p,q}} \mathbb{R}^m) \otimes (P_{Spin(p,q)} \times_{\Phi_{p,q}} \Delta_{p,q}^{\pm}) \to S$$
$$(X \otimes \psi) = [q, x] \otimes [q, v] \to [q, xv] =: X \cdot \psi.$$

The scalar product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\Delta}$ is $Spin_0^c(p, q)$ -invariant. Then if we suppose that (M, g) is a space- and time-oriented manifold $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{\Delta}$ defines a scalar product on *S* by:

 $\langle \psi, \psi_1 \rangle_{\Delta} = \langle v, v_1 \rangle_{\Delta}, \text{ for } \psi = [q, v] \text{ and } \psi_1 = [q, v_1] \in \Gamma(S).$

According to (5), it is then easy to verify that

$$\langle X \cdot \psi, \psi_1 \rangle_{\Delta} = (-1)^{p+1} \langle \psi, X \cdot \psi_1 \rangle_{\Delta},\tag{7}$$

for $X \in \Gamma(M)$ and $\psi, \psi_1 \in \Gamma(S)$. Now, as in the Riemannian case (see [5]), if (M, g) is a pseudo- Riemannian *spin^c* manifold, every connection form $A : TP_{\mathbb{S}^1} \to \mathbb{R}$ on the \mathbb{S}^1 bundle $P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ defines (together with the Levi–Civita *D* of (M, g)) a covariant derivative ∇^A on the spinor bundle *S*, called the spinor derivative associated to $(M, g, S, P_{\mathbb{S}^1}, A)$.

Henceforth, a pseudo- Riemannian $spin^c$ manifold will be a set $(M, g, S, P_{\mathbb{S}^1}, A)$, where (M, g) is an oriented connected pseudo-Riemannian manifold, *S* is a $spin^c$ structure, $P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ is the \mathbb{S}^1 -principal bundle over *M* and *A* is a connection form on $P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$. Using (7) and by the same proof in the Riemannian case (see [5]), we conclude that

Proposition 1. $\forall X, Y \in \Gamma(M)$ and $\forall \psi, \psi_1 \in \Gamma(S)$,

$$\nabla_Y^A(X \cdot \psi) = X \cdot \nabla_Y^A(\psi) + D_Y X \cdot \psi.$$
(8)

And if we suppose that (M, g) is space- and time-oriented manifold,

$$X\langle\psi,\psi_1\rangle_{\Delta} = \langle\nabla_X^A\psi,\psi_1\rangle_{\Delta} + \langle\psi,\nabla_X^A\psi_1\rangle_{\Delta}.$$
(9)

Let us denoted by $F_A := iw$ the curvature form of A, seen as an imaginary-valued two-form on M, by R and Ric, respectively, the curvature and the Ricci tensors of (M, g) and by R^A the curvature tensor of ∇^A . Like in the Riemannian case (see [5]), if we put $\tilde{\omega}(X) := X \sqcup \omega$ we have

Proposition 2. For $q = (e_1, ..., e_m)$ a local section of $P_{Spin(p,q)}, \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(M)$ and $\forall \psi \in \Gamma(S)$,

$$R^{A}(X,Y)\psi = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{1 \le i < j \le m} \varepsilon_{i}\varepsilon_{j} g(R(X,Y)e_{i},e_{j})e_{i} \cdot e_{j} \cdot \psi + i\frac{1}{2}\omega(X,Y) \cdot \psi, \qquad (10)$$

and

$$\sum_{1 \le i \le m} \varepsilon_i e_i \cdot R^A(X, e_i) \psi = -\frac{1}{2} Ric(X) \cdot \psi + i\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\omega}(X) \cdot \psi.$$
(11)

Remark 1. According to Example 1, if (M, g) is *spin* then it is *spin*^c. Moreover, the auxiliary bundle $P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ is trivial and then there exists a global section $\sigma : M \to P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$. We choose the connection defined by A to be flat, and we denote ∇^A by ∇ . Conversely, if the auxiliary bundle $P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ of a *spin*^c-structure is trivial, it is canonically identified with a *spin*-structure. Moreover, if the connection A is flat, by this identification, ∇^A corresponds to the covariant derivative on the spinor bundle.

3. Parallel spinors

3.1. Algebraic characterization

It is well know that there exists a bijection between the space \mathcal{PS} of all parallel spinors on (M, g) and the space

$$V_{\tilde{H}} = \{ v \in \Delta_{p,q}; \tilde{H} \cdot v = v \}$$

of all fixed spinors of $\Delta_{p,q}$ with respect to the holonomy group \tilde{H} of the connection ∇^A [1]. If (M, g) is supposed to be simply connected, then \mathcal{PS} is in bijection with:

$$V_{\mathcal{H}} = \{ v \in \Delta_{p,q}; \tilde{\mathcal{H}} \cdot v = 0 \},\$$

where $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$ is the Lie algebra of \tilde{H} . Moreover, provided with the connection defined by the Levi–Civita connection D and the connection form A the holonomy group of $P_{SO}(p, q) \tilde{\times} P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ is $\xi(\tilde{H}) \subset H \times H_A$, where H is the holonomy group of (M, g) and H_A the one of A (see Chapter II, [14]). $H_A = \{1\}$ if A is flat and $H_A = \mathbb{S}^1$ otherwise. With the notations introduced in Section 2.1, for $(B, it) \in \xi_*(\tilde{\mathcal{H}})$, we have

$$\xi_*^{-1}(B, \mathrm{i}t) = \left(\lambda_*^{-1}(B), \frac{1}{2}\mathrm{i}t\right)$$

Now if we differentiate the relation (4) at [1,1], we get:

$$\phi_{p,q}(C, \mathrm{i}t)(v) = \mathrm{i}tv + \phi_{p,q}(C)(v),$$

for $(C, it) \in spin^{c}(p, q)$ and $v \in \Delta_{p,q}$. Then

$$\phi_{p,q}(\xi_*^{-1}(B,it))(v) = \frac{1}{2}itv + \phi_{p,q}(\lambda_*^{-1}(B))(v).$$

We conclude that

Proposition 3. (*M*, *g*) admits a non trivial parallel spinor if and only if there exists $0 \neq v \in \Delta_{p,q}$ such that

$$B \cdot v := \phi_{p,q}(\lambda_*^{-1}(B))(v) = -\frac{1}{2}itv, \quad \forall (B, it) \in \xi_*(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}) \subset \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}_A,$$
(12)

where $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$, \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{H}_A are respectively the Lie algebras of $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$, \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{H}_A .

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3.2. Proof of theorem 3

Let $(M, g, S, P_{\mathbb{S}^1}, A)$ be a *spin^c* structure where (M, g) is a connected simply connected irreducible non-locally symmetric pseudo-Riemannian manifold of dimension n = p + q and signature (p, q), which admits a non trivial parallel spinor ψ . We consider the two distributions *T* and *E* defined by

$$T_x := \{ X \in T_x M; X \cdot \psi = 0 \},\$$
$$E_x = \{ X \in T_x M; \exists Y \in T_x M; X \cdot \psi = iY \cdot \psi \},\$$

for $x \in M$. Since ψ is parallel, By (8), T and E are parallel. Since T is isotropic and the manifold (M, g) is supposed irreducible, by the holonomy principe, we have

$$T = 0. \tag{13}$$

Now denote by *F* the image of the Ricci tensor:

$$F_{\mathcal{X}} := \{Ric(\mathcal{X}); \mathcal{X} \in T_{\mathcal{X}}M\}.$$

Since ψ is parallel, (11) shows that

$$Ric(X) \cdot \psi = i\tilde{\omega}(X)\psi. \tag{14}$$

Then $F \subset E$. Consequently, from (13), we obtain

$$E^{\perp} \subset F^{\perp} = \{Y \in TM; Ric(Y) = 0\} = \{Y \in TM; \tilde{\omega}(Y) = 0\}.$$

(M, g) is supposed irreducible, by the holonomy principe, E = 0 or E = TM. If E = 0, then F = 0. This gives Ric = 0 and $\tilde{\omega} = 0$. According to Remark 1, (M, g) is spin and ψ is a parallel spinor on M. If E = TM, we have a (1,1)-tensor J defined by

$$X \cdot \psi = iJ(X) \cdot \psi$$
, where $X \in TM$. (15)

Lemma 1. For $X, Y \in T_x M$, if $(X + iY) \cdot \psi = 0$ then g(X, Y) = 0 and g(X, X) = g(Y, Y).

Proof of Lemma 1. If we denote by g^c the complex form of g then

$$(X + iY) \cdot (X + iY) \cdot \psi = -g^c (X + iY, X + iY)\psi$$
$$= (-g(X, X) + g(Y, Y) - 2ig(X, Y))\psi = 0.$$

Since ψ is non trivial we obtain the lemma.

Lemma 1 implies that *J* defines an orthogonal almost complex structure on *M*. Moreover, from (8) and (15) we obtain *J* is parallel, since ψ is parallel. In consequence, (*M*, *g*) is a Kähler manifold. Now if (*M*, *g*) is a Kähler manifold then there exists a canonical *spin*^c structure of (*M*, *g*). And from Remark 1 and Theorem 2, the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a) (M, g) is not spin,
- (b) $H_A = \mathbb{S}^1$,
- (c) (M, g) is not Ricci-flat,
- (d) H = U(p', q').

Then the equivalence between (i) and (ii) of Theorem 3 are proved. And from Theorem 2, we have the equivalence between (ii) and (iii). To finish the proof of Theorem 3, it remains to show for H = U(p', q') that the dimension of parallel spinors on M is 1. For this, we remark that if we reduce the principle bundles $P_{Spin^c(p,q)}$ and $P_{SO(p,q)} \times P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ to their holonomy bundles the diagram (6) becomes

and the holonomy group of $P_{SO(p,q)} \times P_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ is exactly $\alpha(U(p',q')) = \xi(\tilde{H})$. However $U(p',q') = SU(p',q') \times U_{\mathbb{S}^1}$, where

$$U_{\mathbb{S}^{1}} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; \lambda \in \mathbb{S}^{1} \right\},\$$

 $u(p',q') = su(p',q') \oplus u_{\mathbb{S}^1}$ where $u_{\mathbb{S}^1} \simeq i\mathbb{R}$ is the Lie algebra of $U_{\mathbb{S}^1}$. If we consider the imbedding

$$\mathbf{i} : u(p', q') \hookrightarrow so(2p', 2q')$$
$$A + \mathbf{i}B = ((a_{kl})_{1 \le k, l \le n} + \mathbf{i}(b_{kl})_{1 \le k, l \le n}) \to \left(\begin{pmatrix} a_{kl} & b_{kl} \\ -b_{kl} & a_{kl} \end{pmatrix} \right)_{1 \le k, l \le n}$$

 $\alpha_*(u_{\mathbb{S}^1})$ is generated by (E_{12}, i) . Then:

$$\xi_*(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}) = \alpha_*(u(p',q')) = \alpha_*(su(p',q')) \oplus \alpha_*(u_{\mathbb{S}^1}) = i(su(p',q')) \oplus (E_{12},i)\mathbb{R}$$

From [1], $u^+ := u(1, ..., 1)$ and $u^- := u(-1, ..., -1)$ generate the space $V_{su(p',q')} = \{v \in \Delta_{p,q}; su(p',q')v = 0\}$. Moreover, by (1):

$$E_{12} \cdot u^+ = \frac{1}{2}e_1 \cdot e_2 \cdot u^+ = \frac{1}{2}iu^+$$
 and $E_{12} \cdot u^- = -\frac{1}{2}iu^-$.

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Then u^- belongs to the space

$$V_{u(p',q')} = \{ v \in \Delta_{p,q}; B \cdot v + \frac{1}{2} itv = 0, \forall (B, it) \in \xi_*(\tilde{\mathcal{H}}) \},\$$

and it is easy to verify that u^- generates $V_{u(p',q')}$. This completes the proof of Theorem 3.

Remark 2. By Theorem 3, we deduce the results of Moroianau made in the riemannian case (see [13]).

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