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## A PRODUCT BICOMPLEX STRUCTURE ON THE TOTAL SPACE OF A VECTOR BUNDLE

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**Abstract.** One studies an almost product bicomplex structure on the total space of a vector bundle, obtained by lifting an almost Hermitian structure on the base manifold and one on the bundle, with the help of a linear connection, defined on the bundle. Finally, some important particular cases are analysed.

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**1. Introduction.** An almost product bicomplex (apbc)-structure [2] on a manifold M is defined by three (1, 1)-tensor fields F, J, J' on M, which satisfy the conditions

(1.1) 
$$-F^2 = J^2 = {J'}^2 = F \circ J \circ J' = -I, \ F \neq \pm I.$$

It follows that F is an *almost product* (*ap*)-structure and J, J' are *almost complex* (*ac*)-structures, on M, which are connected by the following relations

$$(1.2) \quad F \circ J = J \circ F = J', \ J \circ J' = J' \circ J = -F, \ J' \circ F = F \circ J' = J.$$

A Riemannian appc-structure on a manifold M is a quadruple (F, J, J', G), where (F, J, J') is an *appc*-structure and G is a Riemannian metric on M, so that

(1.3) 
$$G \circ F \times F = G \circ J \times J = G \circ J' \times J' = G,$$

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i.e. G is invariant with respect to the automorphisms F, J and J' of TM. We consider further

(1.4) 
$$G' = G \circ I \times F, \ \Omega = G \circ I \times J, \ \Omega' = G \circ I \times J'$$

and we obtain the following table of compatibilities [2].

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0	F	J	J'
G	$G \circ F \times F = G$	$G \circ J \times J = G$	$G \circ J' \times J' = G$
	$G \circ I \times F = G'$	$G\circ I\times J=\Omega$	$G\circ I\times J'=\Omega'$
G'	$G' \circ F \times F = G'$	$G' \circ J \times J = G'$	$G' \circ J' \times J' = G'$
	$G' \circ I \times F = G$	$G' \circ I \times J = \Omega'$	$G' \circ I \times J' = \Omega$
Ω	$\Omega \circ F \times F = \Omega$	$\Omega \circ J \times J = \Omega$	$\Omega \circ J' \times J' = \Omega$
	$\Omega \circ I \times F = \Omega'$	$\Omega \circ I \times J = -G$	$\Omega \circ I \times J' = -G'$
$\Omega'$	$\Omega' \circ F \times F = \Omega'$	$\Omega' \circ J \times J = \Omega'$	$\Omega' \circ J' \times J' = \Omega'$
	$\Omega' \circ I \times F = \Omega$	$\Omega' \circ I \times J = G'$	$\Omega' \circ I \times J' = -G$

From here, we get that to a Riemannian apbc-structure on a manifold M there are subordinate the following structures:

1) A Riemannian structure (F, G) with the associated pseudo-Riemannian metric G'.

2) An almost symplectic *ap*-structure  $(F, \Omega)$  with the associated 2-form  $\Omega'$ .

3) Two almost Hermitian structures (J, G) and (J', G) with the associated 2-forms  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega'$  respectively.

4) Two indefinit Hermitian structures (J, G') and (J', G') with the associated 2-forms  $\Omega'$  and  $\Omega$  respectively.

The *apbc*-structures on a manifold were considered by LIBERMAN [6] and more recently by BONOME, CASTRO, GARCIA-RIO, HERVELLA and MATSUSHITA in the joint paper [1] and by CRUCEANU [2].

In this paper, we give an example of an *apbc*-structure on the total space of a vector bundle, obtained by lifting an almost Hermitian structure on the base manifold and one on the bundle, using a linear connection on the bundle.

2. Definitions and notations. Let  $\xi = (E, \pi, M)$  be a vector bundle with base manifold M, total space E and projection  $\pi : E \to M$ . Denote by  $(x^i), (y^a), (x^i, y^a)$  the local coordinates on  $M, \xi, E$  respectively and by  $(\partial_i, d^i), (e_a, e^a), (\partial_i, \partial_a, d^i, d^a)$ , the corresponding dual local bases,

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where  $\partial_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ ,  $d^i = dx^i$ ,  $\partial_a = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^a}$ ,  $d^a = dy^a$ ,  $i, j, k, = 1, 2, \ldots, n, a, b, c = 1, 2, \ldots, m, n = \dim M$ ,  $m = \operatorname{rank} \xi$ . Denote then by  $\mathcal{F}(M)$  the ring of real functions, and by  $\mathcal{T}_s^r(M)$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_s^r(\xi)$  the  $\mathcal{F}(M)$ -module of (r, s)-tensor fields of M and  $\xi$ . Next, for each 1-forme  $\alpha$  on  $\xi$ , given locally by  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_a(x)e^a$ , we put  $\gamma\alpha(z) = \alpha_a(x)y^a$ , where  $z = (x^i, y^a) \in E_x$  and obtain a class of functions on E, with the property that every vector field on E is uniquely determined by its values on these functions. The mapping  $\gamma$  may be extended to (1, 1)-tensor fields S on  $\xi$ , by putting

(2.1) 
$$\gamma S(\gamma \alpha) = \gamma(\alpha \circ S), \ \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{T}_1(\xi).$$

Locally, if  $S(x) = S_b^a(x)e_a \otimes e^b$ , then  $\gamma S(z) = S_b^a(x)y^b\partial_a$  and so  $\gamma S$  is a vector field on E. Then, let D be a linear connection on  $\xi$ , X a vector field on M and u a section on  $\xi$ . Setting

(2.2) 
$$x^h(\gamma \alpha) = \gamma(D_X \alpha), \ u^v(\gamma \alpha) = \alpha(u) \circ \pi, \ \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{T}_1(\xi),$$

one obtain two vector fields on the total space E, called respectively the *horizontal lift* of X and the *vertical lift* of u. One has the useful relations

(2.3) 
$$\begin{aligned} f^v &= f^h = f \circ \pi, \ (fX)^h = f^h X^h, \ (fu)^v = f^v u^v, \\ [X^h, Y^h] &= [X, Y]^h - \gamma R^D_{XY}, \ [X^h, u^v] = (D_X u)^v, \ [u^v, v^v] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $f \in \mathcal{F}(M)$ ,  $X, Y \in \mathcal{T}^1(M)$ ,  $u, v \in \mathcal{T}^1(\xi)$  and  $\mathbb{R}^D$  is the curvature of D.

Putting now

(2.4) 
$$F(X^h) = X^h, \ F(u^v) = -u^v, \ X \in \mathcal{T}^1(M), \ u \in \mathcal{T}^1(\xi),$$

we obtain an *ap*-structure on E, whose +1 and -1 eigendistributions (subbundles) are respectively the *horizontal distribution* HTE, associated to linear connection D and the vertical distribution VTE of the bundle  $\xi$ .

For  $f \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M), \varphi \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(\xi)$  and  $g \in \mathcal{T}_2(M), \psi \in \mathcal{T}_2(\xi)$ , we define the *horizontal* (h) and *vertical* (v) lifts by

$$\begin{split} f^{h}(X^{h}) &= f(X)^{h}, \ f^{h}(u^{v}) = 0; \ \varphi^{v}(X^{h}) = 0, \ \varphi^{v}(u^{v}) = \varphi(u)^{v}; \\ g^{h}(X^{h}, Y^{h}) &= g(X, Y)^{h}, \ g^{h}(X^{h}, u^{v}) = g^{h}(u^{v}, X^{h}) = g^{h}(u^{v}, v^{v}) = 0; \\ \psi^{v}(X^{h}, Y^{h}) &= \psi^{v}(X^{h}, u^{v}) = \psi^{v}(u^{v}, X^{h}) = 0, \ \psi^{v}(u^{v}, v^{v}) = \psi(u, v)^{v}, \end{split}$$

for each  $X, Y \in \mathcal{T}^1(M)$  and  $u, v \in \mathcal{T}^1(\xi)$ . Putting then, for  $f \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(M)$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{T}_1^1(\xi)$ ,

(2.6) 
$$J = f^h + \varphi^v, \quad J' = f^h - \varphi^v$$

are remarking that  $F = I_{TM}^h - I_{\xi}^v$ , we obtain

$$F^{2} = I, \ J^{2} = {J'}^{2} = (f^{h})^{2} + (\varphi^{v})^{2} \ F \circ J = J \circ F = J',$$
  
$$J \circ J' = J' \circ J = (f^{h})^{2} - (\varphi^{v})^{2}, \ J' \circ F = F \circ J' = J.$$

So, we have

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**Theorem 2.1.** Given a linear connection D on  $\xi$  and two (1.1)-tensor fields f on M and  $\varphi$  on  $\xi$ , the triplet (F, J, J') defined by (2.4) and (2.5) determines on E an appc-structure iff f and  $\varphi$  are ac-structures on M and  $\xi$  respectively.

Now, let g and  $\psi$  be (0, 2)-tensor fields on M resp.  $\xi$  and

(2.7) 
$$\omega = g \circ I \times f, \ \tau = \psi \circ I \times \varphi$$

Setting

(2.8) 
$$G = g^h + \psi^v, \ G' = g^h - \psi^v, \ \Omega = \omega^h + \tau^v, \ \Omega' = \omega^h - \tau^v$$

one obtains

$$G \circ F \times F = G, \quad G' \circ F \times F = G',$$

$$\Omega \circ F \times F = \Omega, \quad \Omega' \circ F \times F = \Omega',$$

$$G \circ J \times J = G \circ J' \times J' = (g \circ f \times f)^h + (\psi \circ \varphi \times \varphi)^v$$

$$G' \circ J \times J = G' \circ J' \times J' = (g \circ f \times f)^h - (\psi \circ \varphi \times \varphi)^v$$

$$\Omega \circ J \times J = \Omega \circ J' \times J' = (\omega \circ f \times f)^h + (\tau \circ \varphi \times \varphi)^v$$

$$\Omega' \circ J \circ J = \Omega' \circ J' \times J' = (\omega \circ f \times f)^h - (\tau \circ \varphi \times \varphi)^v.$$

Hence we have

**Theorem 2.2.** Let D be a linear connection on  $\xi$ , f and  $\psi$  (1,1)tensor fields on M resp.  $\xi$ , g and  $\psi$  (0,2)-tensor fields on M, resp.  $\xi$  and  $\omega = g \circ I \times f, \ \tau = \psi \circ I \times \varphi.$  Then, the quadruple (F, J, J', G), given by (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7), determines on E a Riemannian appc-structure, with the associated metric G' and 2-forms  $\Omega, \Omega'$ , iff (f, g) and  $(\varphi, \psi)$  are almost-Hermitian structures on M, resp.  $\xi$  and  $\omega, \tau$  are theirs associated 2-forms.

Hence the structures  $F, J, J', G, G', \Omega, \Omega'$  satisfy all the conditions of compatibility from the table (1.5).

**3.** The integrability of the structures F, J, J' and  $\Omega, \Omega'$ . For the Nijenhuis tensor fields of F, J and J' we obtain (3.1)

$$\begin{split} N_{F}(X^{h}, Y^{h}) &= -4\gamma R_{XY}^{D}, \quad N_{F}(X^{h}, u^{v}) = N_{F}(u^{v}, v^{v}) = 0; \\ N_{J}(X^{h}, Y^{h}) &= N_{f}(X, Y)^{h} - \gamma (R_{fXfY}^{D} - R_{XY}^{D} - \varphi \circ (R_{fXY}^{D} + R_{XfY}^{D})), \\ N_{J}(X^{h}, u^{v}) &= (D_{fX}\varphi - \varphi \circ D_{X}\varphi)(u)^{v}, \quad N_{J}(u^{v}, v^{v}) = 0; \\ N_{J'}(X^{h}, Y^{h}) &= N_{f}(X, Y)^{h} - \gamma (R_{fXfY}^{D} - R_{XY}^{D} + \varphi \circ (R_{fXY}^{D} + R_{XfY}^{D})), \\ N_{J'}(X^{h}, u^{v}) &= (D_{fX}\varphi + \varphi \circ D_{X}\varphi)(u)^{v}, \quad N_{J'}(u^{v}, v^{v}) = 0. \end{split}$$

From here it follows:

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**Proposition 3.1.** 1) The ap-structure F is integrable iff.  $R^D = 0$ . 2) The ac-structure J is integrable iff

(3.2) 
$$N_f = 0, \quad R^D_{fXfY} - R^D_{XY} - \varphi \circ (R^D_{fXY} + R^D_{XfY}) = 0,$$
$$D_{fXf} - \varphi \circ D_X \varphi = 0.$$

3) The ac-structure J' is integrable iff

(3.3) 
$$N_f = 0, \quad R^D_{fXfY} - R^D_{XY} + \varphi \circ (R^D_{fXY} + R^D_{XfY}) = 0,$$
$$D_{fX}\varphi + \varphi \circ D_X\varphi = 0.$$

4) The *ac*-structures J and J' are simultaneously integrable iff

(3.4) 
$$N_f = 0, \ R^D_{fXfY} = R^D_{XY}, \ D\varphi = 0.$$

5) The *apbc*-structure (F, J, J') is integrable iff

(3.5) 
$$N_f = 0, \ D\varphi = 0, \ R^D = 0.$$

For the exterior differential of  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega'$ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} d\Omega(X^{h}, Y^{h}, Z^{h}) &= d\omega(X, Y, Z)^{v}, \\ 3d\Omega(u^{v}, Y^{h}, Z^{h}) &= \gamma(\tau(u) \circ R_{XY}^{D}), \\ 3d\Omega(u^{v}, v^{v}, Z^{h}) &= D_{Z}\tau(u, v)^{v}, \quad D\omega(u^{v}, v^{v}, w^{v}) = 0; \\ d\Omega'(X^{h}, Y^{h}, Z^{h}) &= d\omega(X, Y, Z)^{v}, \\ 3d\Omega'(u^{v}, Y^{h}, Z^{h}) &= -\gamma(\tau(u) \circ R_{XY}^{D}), \\ 3d\Omega'(u^{v}, v^{v}, Z^{h}) &= -D_{Z}\tau(u, v)^{v}, \quad D\omega'(u^{v}, v^{v}, w^{v}) = 0 \end{split}$$

Hence, it follows from here

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**Proposition 3.2.** The almost symplectic structures  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega'$  are simultaneously integrable and namely iff

(3.7) 
$$d\omega = 0, \ D\tau = 0, \ R^D = 0.$$

From the Propositions 3.1 and 3.2 it results

**Theorem 3.1.** All the structures  $F, J, J', \Omega, \Omega'$  are integrable iff

(3.8) 
$$N_f = 0, \ d\omega = 0, \ D\varphi = 0, \ D\psi = 0, \ R^D = 0,$$

*i.e.* iff the structure (f,g) on M is Kahlerian, the structure  $(\varphi, \psi)$  on  $\xi$  is covariant constant and the connection D on  $\xi$  is flat.

In this case we obtain on E:

1) A Riemannian local decomposable structure (F, G), with the associated pseudo-Riemannian local decomposable structure (F, G').

2) A symplectic local product structure  $(F, \Omega)$ , with the associated symplectic structure  $\Omega'$ .

3) Two Kählerian structures (J, G), (J', G), with the associated symplectic structures  $\Omega, \Omega'$  respectively.

4) Two indefinite Kählerian structures (J, G'), (J', G') with the associated symplectic structures  $\Omega', \Omega$  respectively.

# 4. Compatible connections with the Riemannian *apbc*-structure (F, J, J', G)

**Definition 4.1.** A connection  $\mathcal{D}$  on E is compatible with the Riemannian appc-structure (F, J, J', G) iff

(4.1) 
$$\mathcal{D}F = \mathcal{D}J = \mathcal{D}J' = \mathcal{D}G = 0.$$

Then one has also

(4.2) 
$$\mathcal{D}G' = \mathcal{D}\Omega = \mathcal{D}\Omega' = 0.$$

We are interested in certain particular compatible connections on E, which are related with some connections on M and  $\xi$ . To a pair  $(\nabla, D)$  of connections on M and  $\xi$  one associates a connection  $\mathcal{D}$  on E, called the *diagonal lift* of the pair  $(\nabla, D)$ , (see, [4]), given by

(4.3) 
$$\mathcal{D}_{X^h}Y^h = (\nabla_X Y)^h, \ \mathcal{D}_{X^h}u^v = (D_X u)^v, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^v}X^h = \mathcal{D}_{u^v}v^v = 0.$$

For the non-vanishing components of the torsion  $\mathcal{T}$  and the curvature  $\mathcal{R}$  of the connection  $\mathcal{D}$ , we have

(4.4) 
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}(X^h, Y^h) &= T^{\nabla}(X, Y)^h + \gamma R^D_{XY}, \ \mathcal{R}_{X^hY^h} Z^h = (R^{\nabla}_{XY} Z)^h, \\ \mathcal{R}_{X^hY^h} u^v &= (R^D_{XY} u)^v. \end{aligned}$$

For the covariant derivative of the tensors  $F, J, J', G, G', \Omega, \Omega'$  one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}F &= 0; \\ \mathcal{D}_{X^{h}}J &= (\nabla_{X}f)^{h} + (D_{X}\varphi)^{v}, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^{v}}J &= 0; \\ \mathcal{D}_{X^{h}}J' &= (\nabla_{X}f)^{h} - (D_{X}\varphi)^{v}, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^{v}}J' &= 0; \\ \mathcal{D}_{X^{h}}G &= (\nabla_{X}g)^{h} + (D_{X}\psi)^{v}, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^{v}}G &= 0; \\ \mathcal{D}_{X^{h}}G' &= (\nabla_{X}g)^{h} - (D_{X}\psi)^{v}, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^{v}}G' &= 0; \\ \mathcal{D}_{X^{h}}\Omega &= (\nabla_{X}\omega)^{h} + (D_{X}\tau)^{v}, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^{v}}\Omega &= 0; \\ \mathcal{D}_{X^{h}}\Omega' &= (\nabla_{X}\omega)^{h} - (D_{X}\tau)^{v}, \ \mathcal{D}_{u^{v}}\Omega' &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

From here it follows

**Proposition 4.1.** If  $\mathcal{D}$  is the diagonal lift on E of the pair of connections  $(\nabla, D)$  on M and  $\xi$ , then

(4.6)  
1) 
$$\mathcal{D}F = 0$$
 always,  
2)  $\mathcal{D}J = \mathcal{D}J' = 0$  iff  $\nabla f = D\varphi = 0$ ,  
3)  $\mathcal{D}G = \mathcal{D}G' = 0$  iff  $\nabla g = D\psi = 0$ ,  
4)  $\mathcal{D}\Omega = \mathcal{D}\Omega' = 0$  iff  $\nabla \omega = D\tau = 0$ .

5)  $\mathcal{D}$  is compatible with the Riemannian *apbc*-structure (F, J, J', G) on E, iff  $\nabla$  is compatible with the structure (f, g) on M and D is compatible with the structure  $(\varphi, \psi)$  on  $\xi$ .

Now, let  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection of g and D a connection on  $\xi$ , that is compatible with  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  (see [3]). In this case, we obtain

$$\mathcal{D}F = 0; \quad \mathcal{D}_{X^h}J = \mathcal{D}_{X^h}J' = (\nabla_X f)^h,$$
  

$$\mathcal{D}_{u^v}J = \mathcal{D}_{u^v}J' = 0, \quad \mathcal{D}G = \mathcal{D}G' = 0,$$
  

$$\mathcal{D}_{X^h}\Omega = \mathcal{D}_{X^h}\Omega' = (\nabla_X\omega)^h, \quad \mathcal{D}_{u^v}\Omega = \mathcal{D}_{u^v}\Omega' = 0;$$
  

$$\mathcal{T}(X^h, Y^h) = \gamma R_{XY}^D, \quad \mathcal{R}_{X^hY^h}Z^h = (R_{XY}^{\nabla}Z)^h,$$
  

$$\mathcal{R}_{X^hY^h}u^v = (R_{XY}^Du)^v.$$

From here we obtain

**Theorem 4.1.** If  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection for g on M and Da connection compatible with  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  on  $\xi$ , then the diagonal lift  $\mathcal{D}$  of the pair  $(\nabla, D)$  is compatible with the Riemannian appc-structure (F, J, J', G)iff  $\nabla f = 0$ , i.e. the structure (f, g) on M is Kahlerian. Further,  $\mathcal{D}$  coincide with the Levi-Civita connection of G, i.e.  $\mathcal{T} = 0$ , iff we have also  $\mathbb{R}^D = 0$ , hence the connection D on  $\xi$  is flat.

In this case, the structures  $F, J, J', \Omega, \Omega'$  are integrable and one obtains the results of the Theorem 3.1.

Another important particular case is that in which (f,g) is a Hermitian structure on M,  $\nabla$  is the Hermitian connection of the structure (f,g) [5] and D is a connection on  $\xi$ , that is compatible with  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$ . Then, one has

(4.8) 
$$N_f = 0, \ \nabla f = \nabla g = 0, \ T^{\nabla}(fX, Y) = T^{\nabla}(X, fY), \ D\varphi = D\psi = 0.$$

We want to know, in this case, when (J, G) is a Hermitian structure on E and the diagonal lift  $\mathcal{D}$  of the pair  $(\nabla, D)$  is the Hermitian connection for this structure. From (4.8) and Proposition 3.1 it follows  $N_J = 0$  iff

(4.9) 
$$R_{fXfY}^D - R_{XY}^D - \varphi \circ (R_{fXY}^D + R_{XfY}^D) = 0.$$

After that from (4.7) one obtains that the diagonal lift  $\mathcal{D}$  of the pair  $(\nabla, D)$  is the Hermitian connection for (J, G) iff

(4.10) 
$$R_{fXY}^D = \mathcal{R}_{XfY}^D.$$

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(4.7)

From (4.9) and (4.10) it follows

(4.11) 
$$R_{fXY}^D = \varphi \circ R_{XY}^D.$$

Similarly, considering the same problem for the structure (J', G), we obtain

(4.12) 
$$R_{fXY}^D = -\varphi \circ R_{XY}^D.$$

Finally, we have

**Theorem 4.2.** If  $\nabla$  is the Hermitian connection for a Hermitian structure (f,g) on M, D a connection on  $\xi$  compatible with a Hermitian structure  $(\varphi, \psi)$  on  $\xi$  and (F, J, J', G) is the Riemannian appc-structure on E, obtained by lifting (f,g) and  $(\varphi, \psi)$  with the help of D, then:

The structure (J,G), (resp. (J',G)) on E is Hermitian and the diagonal lift D of the pair (∇, D) is the Hermitian connection for this structure, iff R<sup>D</sup><sub>fXY</sub> = φ ∘ R<sup>D</sup><sub>XY</sub>, (resp. R<sup>D</sup><sub>fXY</sub> = -φ ∘ R<sup>D</sup><sub>XY</sub>).
 The structures (J,G) and (J',G) on E are simultaneously Hermitian

2) The structures (J,G) and (J',G) on E are simultaneously Hermitian and the diagonal lift of the pair  $(\nabla, D)$  is their Hermitian connection iff  $R^D = 0$ .

In the last case,  $\mathcal{T} = 0$  and so  $\mathcal{D}$  coincides with the Levi-Civita connection of G. Hence the structures  $F, J, J', \Omega, \Omega'$  are integrable and so one obtains again the results of the Theorem 3.1.

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