

SOME VANISHING THEOREMS ON KÄHLER FOLIATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We shall prove some vanishing theorems for the transversal Dirac operators on Kähler foliations

1. Introduction

J. Brüning and F. W. Kamber ([1]) studied the transversal Dirac operators on compact foliated Riemannian manifolds and proved some vanishing theorems for the transversal Dirac operators. Also, J.S.Pak and S.D.Jung ([8]) extended the above results to the complete cases. In this paper, we shall prove some vanishing theorems on compact Kähler foliations. Throughout this paper, we shall be in c^∞ -class. Manifolds are assumed to be connected, orientable, paracompact and hausdorff spaces. We also adopt the following ranges of indices :

$$1 \leq i, j, \dots \leq p; \quad 1 \leq a, b, \dots \leq n,$$

$$1 \leq \alpha, \beta, \dots \leq q(= 2n), \quad 1 \leq A, B, \dots \leq p + q.$$

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2. Preliminaries

Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be a $(p + q)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold with an oriented foliation \mathcal{F} of codimension $q (= 2n)$ and a bundle-like metric g_M with respect to \mathcal{F} . Then there exists an exact sequence of vector bundles

$$O \rightarrow L \rightarrow TM \rightarrow Q \rightarrow O,$$

where L is the tangent bundle and Q is the normal bundle of \mathcal{F} with respect to g_M ([9]). The foliation is assumed to be transversally Kähler. By a *Kähler foliation* \mathcal{F} we mean a foliation satisfying the following conditions; (i) \mathcal{F} is Riemannian, with a bundle-like metric g_M on M inducing the holonomy invariant metric g_Q on $Q \cong L^\perp$, (ii) there is a holonomy invariant almost complex structure $J : Q \rightarrow Q$, where $\dim Q = q (= 2n)$ (real dimension), with respect to which g_Q is Hermitian, i.e., $g_Q(JX, JY) = g_Q(X, Y)$ for $X, Y \in \Gamma(Q)$, and (iii) if ∇ denotes the unique metric and torsion free connection in Q , then ∇ is almost complex, i.e., $\nabla J = 0$. Note that $\Phi(X, Y) = g_Q(X, JY)$ defines a basic 2-form Φ , which is closed as a consequence of $\nabla g_Q = 0$ and $\nabla J = 0$. Let R_∇ be the curvature associated to the unique metric and torsion free connection ∇ in the normal bundle $\Gamma(Q)$ of the Riemannian foliation \mathcal{F} . Let similarly S_∇ be the Ricci curvature. For a Kähler foliation we have then the following properties :

$$(2.1) \quad R_\nabla(X, Y)J = JR_\nabla(X, Y),$$

$$(2.2) \quad R_\nabla(JX, JY) = R_\nabla(X, Y),$$

$$(2.3) \quad S_\nabla(JX, JY) = S_\nabla(X, Y),$$

$$(2.4) \quad R_\nabla(X, Y)Z + R_\nabla(Y, Z)X + R_\nabla(Z, X)Y = 0,$$

where X, Y and Z are elements of $\Gamma(Q)$. In the sequel it will be convenient to use the following orthonormal frame on M . For $x \in M$, let $\{e_A\}$ be an oriented orthonormal basis of $T_x M$ with e_i in L_x and e_α in L_x^\perp (\mathcal{F} is of codimension $q = 2n$ on M^{p+2n}). The transversal Kähler property of \mathcal{F} allows then to extend $e_\alpha, J e_\alpha$ to local vector fields $E_\alpha, J E_\alpha \in \Gamma L^\perp$ such that

$$(2.5) \quad (\nabla_{E_\alpha} E_b)_x = 0, \quad (\nabla_{E_\alpha} J E_b)_x = 0, \quad (\nabla_{J E_\alpha} E_b)_x = 0, \quad (\nabla_{J E_\alpha} J E_b)_x = 0.$$

As a consequence of torsion freeness

$$(2.6) \quad [E_a, E_b]_x, \quad [E_a, JE_b]_x, \quad [JE_a, JE_b]_x \in L_x.$$

The E_a, JE_a can be chosen as (local) infinitesimal automorphisms of \mathcal{F} , so that

$$(2.7) \quad \nabla_X E_a = \pi[X, E_a] = 0 \quad \text{for } X \in \Gamma L.$$

We can complete E_a, JE_a by the Gram-Schmidt process to a moving local frame by adding $E_i \in \Gamma L$ with $(E_i)_x = e_i$. In terms of such a moving frame the transversal Ricci operator and the scalar curvature are given by

$$(2.8) \quad \rho_\nabla = \sum JR_\nabla(E_a, JE_a) \quad \text{and}$$

$$(2.9) \quad \sigma_\nabla = \sum g_Q(\rho_\nabla(E_\alpha), E_\alpha)$$

respectively. Let $\Omega_B^r(\mathcal{F})$ be the space of all basic forms of degree r . The exterior differential d restricts to $d_B : \Omega_B^r \rightarrow \Omega_B^{r+1}$ and let δ_B be the formal adjoint of d_B with respect to the induced scalar product \langle, \rangle_B on Ω_B ([8]). Now, assume that the mean curvature form k of the foliation \mathcal{F} is isoparametric, i.e., $k \in \Omega_B^1(\mathcal{F})$. It is well known that if $k \in \Omega_B^1(\mathcal{F})$, then $dk = 0$ ([9]).

3. Vanishing Theorems on Kähler foliations

Let $Cl(Q)$ be the transversally Clifford algebra of Q and $Cl(Q) = Cl(Q) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ the complexification of $Cl(Q)$. Set

$$(3.1) \quad \epsilon_a = \frac{1}{2}(E_a - iJE_a), \quad \bar{\epsilon}_a = \frac{1}{2}(E_a + iJE_a),$$

where $\{E_a, JE_a\}$ is an orthonormal basis of Q . Then $\{\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_a\}$ forms a basis of $Q \otimes \mathbb{C}$, complexification of Q and $Cl(Q)$ is generated by $\{\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_a\}$ which satisfies the relations

$$(3.2) \quad \epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b + \bar{\epsilon}_b \epsilon_a = -\delta_{ab}, \quad \epsilon_a \epsilon_b = -\epsilon_b \epsilon_a, \quad \bar{\epsilon}_a \bar{\epsilon}_b = -\bar{\epsilon}_b \bar{\epsilon}_a.$$

Here we omitted the Clifford multiplication “ \cdot ”. Let $E \rightarrow \dot{M}$ be the holomorphic foliated bundle of left modules over $Cl(Q)$, i.e., the fiber E_x is a left module over $Cl(Q)_x$ for each $x \in M$, and the multiplication map is smooth. We assume that E carries a hermitian metric $(\ , \)$ such that ;

(i) Module multiplication by unit tangent vectors is unitary, i.e.,

$$(3.3) \quad (\varphi s, t) + (s, \bar{\varphi} t) = 0$$

for all $\varphi \in Cl(Q)$ and for all $s, t \in \Gamma(E)$.

(ii) With respect to the canonical hermitian connection, covariant differentiation is a derivation of module multiplication, i.e., for all $\varphi \in \Gamma(Cl(Q))$ and all $s \in \Gamma(E)$, we have

$$(3.4) \quad \nabla(\varphi, s) = (\nabla\varphi)s + \varphi(\nabla s).$$

We now introduce two differential operators $\mathcal{D}, \bar{\mathcal{D}} : \Gamma(E) \rightarrow \Gamma(E)$ by formulas

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{D} &= \sum \epsilon_a \nabla_{\epsilon_a} - \frac{1}{4}H, \\ \bar{\mathcal{D}} &= \sum \bar{\epsilon}_a \nabla_{\epsilon_a} - \frac{1}{4}\bar{H}, \end{aligned}$$

where $H = \frac{1}{2}\{k - iJk\}$, k is a mean curvature form of \mathcal{F} .

THEOREM 3.1. *The operators \mathcal{D} and $\bar{\mathcal{D}}$ are formal adjoints of one another and transversally elliptic.*

PROOF. Fix $x \in M$ and choose a local frame $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n, \bar{\epsilon}_1, \dots, \bar{\epsilon}_n$ as above such that $(\nabla_{\epsilon_a})_x = (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a})_x = 0$. Then for all $s, t \in \Gamma(E)$, we have at the point x that

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{D}s, t)_x &= \sum (\epsilon_a \nabla_{\epsilon_a} s - \frac{1}{4}Hs, t)_x \\ &= - \sum (\nabla_{\epsilon_a} s, \bar{\epsilon}_a t)_x + \frac{1}{4}(s, \bar{H}t)_x \\ &= - \sum \bar{\epsilon}_a (s, \bar{\epsilon}_a t)_x \sum + (s, \bar{\epsilon}_a \nabla_{\epsilon_a} t)_x + \frac{1}{4}(s, \bar{H}t)_x \\ &= (divU)_x + \sum (s, \bar{\epsilon}_a \nabla_{\epsilon_a} t)_x + \frac{1}{4}(s, \bar{H}t)_x, \end{aligned}$$

where U is the complex vector field in $Q \otimes \mathbb{C}$ defined by the condition that $g_Q(V, U) = \frac{1}{4}((V - iJV)s, t)$ for all real vectors $V \in \Gamma(Q)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\operatorname{div} U)_x &= \sum g_Q(\nabla_{E_a} U, E_a)_x + \sum g_Q(\nabla_{JE_a} U, JE_a)_x \\
 &= \sum E_a g_Q(U, e_a)_x + \sum JE_a g_Q(U, JE_a)_x \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \sum \{E_a((E_a - iJE_a)s, t)_x + JE_a((JE_a + ie_a)s, t)_x\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum \{E_a(\epsilon_a s, t)_x + iJE_a(\epsilon_a s, t)_x\} = \sum \bar{\epsilon}_a(\epsilon_a s, t)_x \\
 &= - \sum \bar{\epsilon}_a(s, \bar{\epsilon}_a t)_x.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the Green's theorem ([10]),

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_M \operatorname{div} U &= \ll U, k \gg = \frac{1}{4} \int_M ((k - iJk)s, t) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_M (Hs, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \int_M (s, \bar{H}t),
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\ll U, V \gg = \int_M g_Q(U, V)$. It follows that

$$\int_M (\mathcal{D}s, t) = \int_M (s, \bar{\mathcal{D}}t)$$

for all $s, t \in \Gamma(E)$. Hence we have $\mathcal{D}^* = \bar{\mathcal{D}}$. Moreover, by straightforward calculation, $\sigma_{\mathcal{D}}(x, \xi_0) = \xi$ and $\sigma_{\bar{\mathcal{D}}}(x, \xi_0) = \bar{\xi}$ for $\xi_0 \in \Gamma(Q^*) \equiv \Gamma(Q)$, where $\xi = \frac{1}{2}(\xi_0 - iJ\xi_0)$. \square

Now, we define the subspace $\Gamma_B(E)$ of basic or holonomy invariant section of E by

$$(3.6) \quad \Gamma_B(E) = \{s \in \Gamma(E) \mid \nabla_X s = 0, \quad X \in \Gamma(L)\}.$$

If we consider the vector bundle $E = \Lambda Q^* \otimes \mathbb{C}$, then we have

$$(3.7) \quad \Gamma_B(E) = \Omega_B^*(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \mathbb{C}.$$

From (3.5), we see that \mathcal{D} and $\bar{\mathcal{D}}$ leaves $\Gamma_B(E)$ invariant if and only if the foliation \mathcal{F} is isoparametric. Put

$$\mathcal{D}_b \equiv \mathcal{D}|_{\Gamma_B(E)} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b \equiv \bar{\mathcal{D}}|_{\Gamma_B(E)}.$$

Now, let $\Omega_B^{r,s}(\mathcal{F})$ be the standard Dolbeault decomposition of $\Omega_B^*(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \mathbb{C}$. Then there are operators

$$\begin{aligned} \partial &: \Omega_B^{r,s}(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \Omega_B^{r+1,s}(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \mathbb{C}, \\ \bar{\partial} &: \Omega_B^{r,s}(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \Omega_B^{r,s+1}(\mathcal{F}) \otimes \mathbb{C} \end{aligned}$$

are given by the followings :

$$(3.9) \quad \partial = \bar{\epsilon}_a \wedge \nabla_{\epsilon_a}, \quad \bar{\partial} = \epsilon_a \wedge \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a},$$

where ∇ is the Kähler connection on $Q \otimes \mathbb{C}$ and their formal adjoints of ∂ and $\bar{\partial}$ are

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \partial^* &= -i(\epsilon_a) \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} + \frac{1}{2}i(H), \\ \bar{\partial}^* &= -i(\bar{\epsilon}_a) \nabla_{\epsilon_a} + \frac{1}{2}i(\bar{H}). \end{aligned}$$

These follows from d_B and δ_B by breaking up the formulas of d_B and δ_B into (1,0) and (0,1) components and using $d_B = 2(\partial + \bar{\partial})$, $\delta_B = 2(\partial^* + \bar{\partial}^*)$. Moreover, if \mathcal{F} is harmonic kähler, by the well known facts; $\partial\bar{\partial}^* + \bar{\partial}^*\partial = 0$, $\mathcal{D}_b = \bar{\partial} + \partial^*$ and $\bar{\mathcal{D}}_b = \partial + \bar{\partial}^*$, we have

$$(3.11) \quad \mathcal{D}_b \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b + \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b \mathcal{D}_b = \frac{1}{4} \Delta_B,$$

where $\Delta_B = d_B \delta_B + \delta_B d_B$ is the basic Laplacian. Also, we define invariant operators on $\Gamma(E)$ by

$$(3.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr} s &= -\nabla_{\epsilon_a} \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\bar{H}} s, \\ \bar{\nabla}_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr} s &= -\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} \nabla_{\epsilon_a} s + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{H} s, \\ \mathcal{R} &= \sum \epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b R^E(\bar{\epsilon}_a, \epsilon_b), \\ \bar{\mathcal{R}} &= \sum \bar{\epsilon}_a \epsilon_b R^E(\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_b), \end{aligned}$$

where R^E is the curvature tensor field on $\Gamma(E)$. Then we have

PROPOSITION 3.2. *The operators $\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr}$ and $\bar{\nabla}_{tr}^* \bar{\nabla}_{tr}$ are nonnegative, transversally elliptic, formally self-adjoint differential operators.*

PROOF. Fix $x \in M$. If we choose a local frame $\{\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_a\}$ such that $(\nabla \epsilon_a)_x = (\nabla \bar{\epsilon}_a)_x = 0$, then for $s, t \in \Gamma(E)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr} s, t)_x &= - \sum (\nabla_{\epsilon_a} \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s, t)_x + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_H s, t)_x \\ &= - \sum \epsilon_a (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s, t)_x + \sum (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s, \nabla_{\epsilon_a} t)_x + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_{\bar{H}} s, t)_x \\ &= -(\operatorname{div} U)_x + \sum (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s, \nabla_{\epsilon_a} t)_x + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_{\bar{H}} s, t)_x \\ &= -(\operatorname{div} U)_x + (\operatorname{div} W)_x - \sum (s, \nabla_{\epsilon_a} \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} t) + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_{\bar{H}} s, t)_x. \end{aligned}$$

Here U is the complex vector field in $Q \otimes \mathbb{C}$ defined by the relation : $g_Q(V, U) = \frac{1}{4} (\nabla_{V+iJ} V s, t)$ for all real vectors $V \in \Gamma(Q)$. Also, W is defined as

$$g_Q(V, W) = \frac{1}{4} (s, \nabla_{V+iJ} V t).$$

Note that at the point $x \in M$,

$$\begin{aligned} (\operatorname{div} U)_x &= \sum \{g_Q(\nabla_{E_a} U, E_a)_x + g_Q(\nabla_{JE_a} U, JE_a)_x\} \\ &= \sum \{E_a g_Q(U, E_a)_x + JE_a g_Q(U, JE_a)_x\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum \{E_a (\nabla_{E_a+iJE_a} s, t)_x + JE_a (\nabla_{JE_a-iE_a} s, t)_x\} \\ &= \sum \epsilon_a (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s, t)_x. \end{aligned}$$

By the Green's theorem ([10]),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_M \operatorname{div} U &= \langle\langle U, k \rangle\rangle = \frac{1}{4} \int_M (\nabla_{k+iJ} k s, t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_M (\nabla_H s, t) \end{aligned}$$

and similarly

$$(\operatorname{div} W)_x = \sum \bar{\epsilon}_a (s, \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} t)_x.$$

Hence

$$\int_M \operatorname{div} W = \frac{1}{2} \int_M (s, \nabla_{\bar{H}} t)$$

Therefore, by integrating

$$\int_M (\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr} s, t) = \int_M (\nabla_{tr} s, \nabla_{tr} t) = \int_M (s, \nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr} t).$$

where $(\nabla_{tr} s, \nabla_{tr} t) = \sum (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s, \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} t)$. Hence $\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr}$ is nonnegative, formally self adjoint operator. Also, by simple calculation, $\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr}$ and $\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D}$ have the same principal symbols. So $\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr}$ is transversally elliptic. Arguments for $\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr}$ are similar. \square

THEOREM 3.3. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be a Riemannian manifold with an isoparametric Kähler foliation \mathcal{F} and a bundle-like metric g_M . Then on $\Gamma(E)$, we have the following identity*

$$2(\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D})s = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_T^* \nabla_T s + \mathcal{R}^E(s) + \mathcal{K}s,$$

where

$$\nabla_T^* \nabla_T s = 2(\nabla_{tr}^* \nabla_{tr} s + \bar{\nabla}_{tr}^* \bar{\nabla}_{tr} s) = - \sum (\nabla_{e_a, e_a}^2 + \nabla_{J e_a, J e_a}^2) s,$$

$$\mathcal{R}^E = \frac{1}{4} \sum E_\alpha E_\beta \mathcal{R}^E(E_\alpha, E_\beta) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\mathcal{K} = -\frac{1}{2} \{(\partial^* \bar{H} + \bar{\partial}^* H) - \frac{1}{2} |H|^2\}.$$

PROOF. If we choose a local frame $\{\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_a\}$ such that $(\nabla_{\epsilon_a})_x = (\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a})_x = 0$, then for any $s \in \Gamma(E)$, using (3.2) and (3.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D})s &= - \sum \nabla_{\epsilon_a} \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s + \mathcal{R}(s) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \sum \{(\epsilon_a \bar{H} + \bar{H} \epsilon_a) \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s + (H \bar{\epsilon}_a + \bar{\epsilon}_a H) \nabla_{\epsilon_a} s\} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \sum \{\epsilon_a \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} \bar{H} s + \bar{\epsilon}_a \nabla_{\epsilon_a} H s\} - \frac{1}{8} |H|^2 s. \end{aligned}$$

Since $H\bar{\epsilon}_a + \bar{\epsilon}_a H = -2g_Q(H, \bar{\epsilon}_a)$, we have $\sum(\bar{\epsilon}_a H + H\bar{\epsilon}_a)\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s = -\nabla_H s$. Similarly, $\sum(\epsilon_a \bar{H} + \bar{H}\epsilon_a)\nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s = -\nabla_{\bar{H}} s$. From (3.9) and (3.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D})s &= -\sum \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s + \mathcal{R}(s) + \frac{1}{4}(\nabla_H s + \nabla_{\bar{H}} s) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4}\{(\bar{\partial} + \partial^*)\bar{H} + (\partial + \bar{\partial}^*)H\}s + \frac{1}{8}|H|^2 s \end{aligned}$$

because of $i(H)\bar{H} = g_Q(H, \bar{H}) = |H|^2$. and by another calculation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D})s &= -\sum \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} \nabla_{\bar{\epsilon}_a} s + \bar{\mathcal{R}}(s) + \frac{1}{4}(\nabla_H s + \nabla_{\bar{H}} s) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4}\{(\bar{\partial} + \partial^*)\bar{H} + (\partial + \bar{\partial}^*)H\}s + \frac{1}{8}|H|^2 s. \end{aligned}$$

Summing up the above two equations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D})s &= (\nabla_{\bar{t}_r}^* \nabla_{t_r} + \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{t}_r}^* \nabla_{t_r})s + (\mathcal{R} + \bar{\mathcal{R}})s \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4}\{(\bar{\partial} + \partial^*)\bar{H} + (\partial + \bar{\partial}^*)H\}s + \frac{1}{4}|H|^2 s. \end{aligned}$$

Since $dk = 0$ and $dJk = 0$. we have $\partial H = \bar{\partial}\bar{H} = 0$. Moreover, by straight calculation, we have

$$\mathcal{R} + \bar{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{1}{4} \sum E_\alpha E_\beta R^E(E_\alpha, E_\beta).$$

Hence this proof is completed. \square

COROLLARY 3.4. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be as in Theorem 3.3. Then on $\Gamma_B(E)$, we have*

$$2(\mathcal{D}_b \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b + \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b \mathcal{D}_b) = \Delta|_{\Gamma_B(E)},$$

where $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}\nabla^* \nabla + \mathcal{R}^E + \mathcal{K}$ is a Laplace type operator.

Corollary 3.4 may be used to prove vanishing theorems for $\text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b$ provided one is able to control the divergence term $\delta\mathcal{K}$ in the above expression for \mathcal{K} . In fact, we assume that $\delta k = 0$. Then we have $\mathcal{K} =$

$\frac{1}{4}|H|^2$ and the resulting equation is given as following from Corollary 3.4 :

$$g_E((\mathcal{D}_b\bar{\mathcal{D}}_b + \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b\mathcal{D}_b)s, s) = \frac{1}{2}\|\nabla s\|^2 + \frac{1}{2}g_E(\mathcal{R}^E(s), s) + \frac{3}{8}|H|^2\|s\|^2$$

for any $s \in \Gamma_B(E)$, where g_E is a pointwise inner product on E . Thus we have

THEOREM 3.5. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be a Riemannian manifold with an isoparametric Kähler foliation \mathcal{F} and a bundle-like metric g_M . Suppose that the mean curvature form k of \mathcal{F} satisfies $\delta k = 0$. If \mathcal{R}^E is non-negative, then every $s \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b \cap \text{Ker } \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b$ is parallel. Moreover, If \mathcal{R}^E is non-negative and positive at some point of M , then every $s \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b \cap \text{Ker } \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b$ vanishes.*

Moreover, since $\text{Cl}(Q)$ is a left module of itself, we can calculate \mathcal{R}^E on $\text{Cl}(Q)$ as following : for any $s \in \Gamma(Q)$

(3.13)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}^E(s) &= \frac{1}{4} \sum E_\alpha E_\beta R_\nabla(E_\alpha, E_\beta)s \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum E_\alpha E_\beta g_Q(R_\nabla(E_\alpha, E_\beta)s, E_\gamma)E_\gamma \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum \{E_a E_b g_Q(R_\nabla(E_a, E_b)s, E_c)E_c \\ &\quad + E_a E_b g_Q(R_\nabla(E_a, E_b)s, JE_c)JE_c \\ &\quad + JE_a JE_b g_Q(R_\nabla(JE_a, JE_b)s, E_c)E_c \\ &\quad + JE_a JE_b g_Q(R_\nabla(JE_a, JE_b)s, JE_c)JE_c \\ &\quad + JE_a E_b g_Q(R_\nabla(JE_a, E_b)s, E_c)E_c \\ &\quad + JE_a E_b g_Q(R_\nabla(JE_a, E_b)s, JE_c)JE_c \\ &\quad + E_a JE_b g_Q(R_\nabla(E_a, JE_b)s, E_c)E_c \\ &\quad + E_a JE_b g_Q(R_\nabla(E_a, JE_b)s, JE_c)JE_c\}. \end{aligned}$$

By using the first Bianchi identity, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.14) \quad & \sum E_a E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, E_b)s, E_c)E_c \\
 &= - \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, E_b)E_c, s)E_a E_b E_c \\
 &= - \frac{1}{3} \sum_{a \neq b \neq c \neq a} g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, E_b)E_c \\
 &\quad + R_{\nabla}(E_b, E_c)E_a + R_{\nabla}(E_c, E_a)E_b, s)E_a E_b E_c \\
 &\quad + \sum (E_a, E_b)E_b, s)E_a - \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, E_b)E_a, s)E_b \\
 &= - 2 \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, s)E_a, E_b)E_b.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.15) \quad & \sum J E_a J E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(J E_a, J E_b)s, J E_c)J E_c \\
 &= - 2 \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(J E_a, s)J E_a, J E_b)J E_b.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, by straight calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.16) \quad & \sum \{E_a E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, E_b)s, J E_c)J E_c \\
 &\quad + J E_a E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(J E_a, E_b)s, E_c)E_c \\
 &\quad + E_a J E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, J E_b)s, E_c)E_c\} \\
 &= - 2 \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, J E_b)E_a, s)J E_b \\
 &= - 2 \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, s)E_a, J E_b)J E_b, \\
 (3.17) \quad & \sum \{J E_a J E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(J E_a, J E_b)s, E_c)E_c \\
 &\quad + J E_a E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(J E_a, E_b)s, J E_c)J E_c \\
 &\quad + E_a J E_b g_Q(R_{\nabla}(E_a, J E_b)s, J E_c)J E_c\} \\
 &= - 2 \sum g_Q(R_{\nabla}(J E_a, s)J E_a, E_b)E_b.
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (3.14),(3.15),(3.16) and (3.17) into (3.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{R}^E(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum \{R_{\nabla}(E_a, s)E_a + R_{\nabla}(J E_a, s)J E_a\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \rho_{\nabla}(s).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

THEOREM 3.6. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be as in Theorem 3.5. Then on $\Gamma(Q)$ we have*

$$2(\mathcal{D}_b \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b + \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b \mathcal{D}_b) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_\Gamma^* \nabla_\Gamma + \frac{1}{2} \rho_\nabla + \mathcal{K},$$

where ρ_∇ is the transversal Ricci operator on $\Gamma(Q)$.

THEOREM 3.7. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be an isoparametric Kähler foliation with bundle-like metric g_M . Suppose that the mean curvature form k satisfies $\delta k = 0$, then*

- a) *If ρ_∇ is nonnegative and positive at some point of M , then every normal section $s \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b \cap \text{Ker } \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b$ vanishes, and*
- b) *If ρ_∇ is non-negative, then every $s \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b \cap \text{Ker } \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b$ is parallel.*

By means of (3.11) and Theorem 3.7, we get

COROLLARY 3.8. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be a harmonic kähler foliation with bundle like metric g_M . Then if the transversal Ricci curvature is non-negative and positive at some point of M , then there are no nontrivial basic harmonic 1-forms.*

4. Vanishing theorems on Kähler spin foliations

Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be an isoparametric Kähler spin foliation. In this case there exists a principal $Spin(2n)$ -bundle, $P_{Spin}(Q) \rightarrow M$, with a $Spin(2n)$ -equivalent map, $\xi : P_{Spin}(Q) \rightarrow P_{So}(Q)$, to the bundle of (oriented) transversal orthonormal frames on M . The *foliated spinor bundle*, S , is then defined to be the vector bundle associated to the unitary representation τ of $Spin(2n)$ given by the unique irreducible complex representation of $Cl(2n)$, i.e., $S = P_{Spin}(Q) \otimes_\tau \mathbb{C}^{2^n}$. This bundle is naturally a bundle of modules over $Cl(Q)$ and carries a canonical connection induced from the lift of the Riemannian connection on $P_{So}(Q)$ ([4]). Since \mathcal{F} is Kähler foliation, this bundle S is naturally holomorphic and its connection is hermitian. To compute the term \mathcal{R} and $\bar{\mathcal{R}}$ in (3.12) we need to know the curvature tensor R^S of S . This is given in terms of the Riemannian curvature tensor on Q by the formula ([5])

$$(4.1) \quad R^S(X, Y)s = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} g_Q(R_\nabla(X, Y)E_\alpha, E_\beta)E_\alpha E_\beta s$$

for all $X, Y \in \Gamma(Q)$ and all $s \in S$, where $\{E_\alpha\}$ is any real orthonormal basis of $\Gamma(Q)$. Choosing a basis $\{E_a, JE_a\}$, we can reexpress (4.1) as

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} R^S(X, Y) &= \sum \{g_Q(R_\nabla(X, Y)\epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b) \bar{\epsilon}_a \epsilon_b + g_Q(R_\nabla(X, Y)\bar{\epsilon}_a, \epsilon_b) \epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b\} \\ &= 2 \sum g_Q(R_\nabla(X, Y)\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_b) \bar{\epsilon}_a \epsilon_b + \sum g_Q(R_\nabla(X, Y)\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_a), \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the fact : $\epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b + \bar{\epsilon}_b \epsilon_a = -\delta_{ab}$. It follows that from (3.12) and (4.2),

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{R} &= \sum \epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b R^S(\bar{\epsilon}_a, \epsilon_b) \\ &= \sum g_Q(R_\nabla(\bar{\epsilon}_a, \epsilon_b) \epsilon_c, \bar{\epsilon}_c) \epsilon_a \bar{\epsilon}_b. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used the Bianchi identity and the curvature properties on Kähler foliation. Similarly, we have

$$(4.4) \quad \bar{\mathcal{R}} = \sum g_Q(R_\nabla(\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_b) \bar{\epsilon}_c, \epsilon_c) \bar{\epsilon}_a \epsilon_b.$$

Therefore we have

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}^E &= \mathcal{R} + \bar{\mathcal{R}} \\ &= \sum g_Q(R_\nabla(\epsilon_a, \bar{\epsilon}_b) \epsilon_b, \bar{\epsilon}_a) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \sigma_\nabla, \end{aligned}$$

where σ_∇ is the scalar curvature on Q . Thus we have

THEOREM 4.1. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be an isoparametric Kähler spin foliation. Then on the foliated spinor bundle S , we have*

$$2(\mathcal{D}\bar{\mathcal{D}} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}\mathcal{D}) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_T^* \nabla_T + \frac{1}{8} \sigma_\nabla + \mathcal{K}.$$

By means of Theorem 3.5 and Theorem 4.1, we have

THEOREM 4.2. *Let (M, g_M, \mathcal{F}) be an isoparametric Kähler spin foliation. Suppose that the mean curvature k satisfies $\delta k = 0$. If $\sigma_\nabla \geq 0$ and > 0 at some point, then every $s \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b \cap \text{Ker } \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b$ vanishes, and if $\sigma_\nabla \geq 0$, then every $s \in \text{Ker } \mathcal{D}_b \cap \text{ker } \bar{\mathcal{D}}_b$ is parallel.*

REMARK. *To understand \mathcal{D} and $\bar{\mathcal{D}}$ in (3.5), we now introduce the transversal Dirac operator \mathcal{D}_{tr} on $\Gamma(E)$:*

$$\mathcal{D}_{tr} = \sum \{E_a \nabla_{E_a} + (JE_a) \nabla_{JE_a}\} - \frac{1}{2}k.$$

Then they are related as follows ([6]) :

$$\mathcal{D}_{tr} = 2(\mathcal{D} + \bar{\mathcal{D}}).$$

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