A REMARK ON FOUR-DIMENSIONAL ALMOST KÄHLER-EINSTEIN MANIFOLDS WITH NEGATIVE SCALAR CURVATURE

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Concerning the Goldberg conjecture, we will prove a result obtained by applying the result of Itoh in terms of L^2 -norm of the scalar curvature.

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1. Introduction. An almost Hermitian manifold M is called an almost Kähler manifold if the corresponding Kähler form is a closed 2-form. It is well known that an almost Kähler manifold with integrable almost-complex structure is Kählerian. Concerning the integrability of almost Kähler manifold, the following conjecture by Goldberg is known (see [2]).

CONJECTURE 1.1. *A compact almost Kähler-Einstein manifold is Kählerian.*

Sekigawa [8] proved that the conjecture is true if the scalar curvature τ of M is nonnegative. But the conjecture is still open in the case where τ is negative. Recently, applying the Seiberg-Witten theory, Itoh [4] obtained the following integrability condition for certain almost Kähler-Einstein 4-manifolds in terms of the L^2 -norm of the scalar curvature.

THEOREM 1.2 [4]. *Let M be a four-dimensional compact almost Kähler-Einstein manifold with negative scalar curvature. If M satisfies*

$$\int_M \tau^2 dV = 32\pi^2 (2\chi(M) + p_1(M)), \quad (1.1)$$

then it must be Kähler-Einstein. Here, $\chi(M)$ and $p_1(M)$ are the Euler characteristic and the first Pontrjagin number of M , respectively.

As a corollary, he also proved the following.

COROLLARY 1.3 [4]. *Let M be a four-dimensional compact almost Kähler-Einstein manifold with negative scalar curvature. If M satisfies*

$$\int_M \tau^2 dV \leq 24 \int_M \|\mathcal{W}^+\|^2 dV, \quad (1.2)$$

or, more strictly, if $|\tau| \leq 2\sqrt{6}\|\mathcal{W}^+\|$ at each point of M , then M must be Kähler-Einstein. Here, $\mathcal{W}^+$ is the self-dual Weyl curvature operator of the metric g .

In this paper, concerning the Goldberg conjecture, we will prove a result obtained by using [Corollary 1.3](#) (see [Theorem 2.2](#)).

2. Preliminaries and the result. Let $M = (M, J, g)$ be a four-dimensional almost Kähler-Einstein manifold with the almost-complex structure J and the Hermitian metric g . We denote by Ω the Kähler form of M defined by $\Omega(X, Y) = g(X, JY)$ for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, the set of all smooth vector fields on M . We assume that M is oriented by the volume form $dV = \Omega^2/2$. We denote by ∇ , R , ρ , and τ the Riemannian connection, the curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor, and the scalar curvature of M , respectively. We assume that the curvature tensor is defined by $R(X, Y)Z = [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y]Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]}Z$ for $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$. We denote by ρ^* the Ricci $*$ -tensor of M defined by

$$\rho^*(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \text{trace of } (z \mapsto R(x, Jy)Jz) \quad (2.1)$$

for $x, y, z \in T_p M$, the tangent space of M at $p \in M$. The Ricci $*$ -tensor satisfies $\rho^*(x, y) = \rho^*(Jy, Jx)$ for any $x, y \in T_p M$, $p \in M$. We note that if M is Kählerian, the Ricci tensor and the Ricci $*$ -tensor coincide on M . The $*$ -scalar curvature τ^* of M is the trace of the linear endomorphism Q^* defined by $g(Q^*x, y) = \rho^*(x, y)$ for $x, y \in T_p M$, $p \in M$. Since $\|\nabla J\|^2 = 2(\tau^* - \tau)$, M is a Kähler manifold if and only if $\tau^* - \tau = 0$ on M . An almost Hermitian manifold M is called a weakly $*$ -Einstein manifold if $\rho^* = \lambda^* g$ ($\lambda^* = \tau^*/4$) and a $*$ -Einstein if M is weakly $*$ -Einstein with constant $*$ -scalar curvature. The following identity holds for any four-dimensional almost Hermitian Einstein manifold:

$$\frac{1}{2} \{\rho^*(x, y) + \rho^*(y, x)\} = \frac{\tau^*}{4} g(x, y) \quad (2.2)$$

for $x, y \in T_p M$, $p \in M$.

Now, let $\wedge^2 M$ be the vector bundle of all real 2-forms on M . The bundle $\wedge^2 M$ inherits a natural inner product g and we have an orthogonal decomposition

$$\wedge^2 M = \mathbb{R}\Omega \oplus LM \oplus \wedge_0^{1,1} M, \quad (2.3)$$

where LM (resp., $\wedge_0^{1,1} M$) is the bundle of J -skew-invariant (resp., J -invariant) 2-forms on M perpendicular to Ω . We can identify the subbundle $\mathbb{R}\Omega \oplus LM$ (resp., $\wedge_0^{1,1} M$) with the bundle $\wedge_+^2 M$ (resp., $\wedge_-^2 M$) of self-dual (resp., anti-self-dual) 2-forms on M . Since M is Einstein, it is well known that the curvature operator $\mathcal{R} : \wedge^2 M \rightarrow \wedge^2 M$ preserves $\wedge_\pm^2 M$ and that the Weyl curvature operator $\mathcal{W} : \wedge^2 M \rightarrow \wedge^2 M$ is given by

$$\mathcal{W}(\iota(X) \wedge \iota(Y)) = \mathcal{R}(\iota(X) \wedge \iota(Y)) - \frac{\tau}{12} \iota(X) \wedge \iota(Y), \quad (2.4)$$

where ι is the duality between the tangent bundle and the cotangent bundle of M by means of the metric g . Let $\{e_1, e_2 = Je_1, e_3, e_4 = Je_3\}$ be a (local) unitary frame field and put $e^i = \iota(e_i)$. Then, the Kähler form is represented by $\Omega = -e^1 \wedge e^2 - e^3 \wedge e^4$. Further,

we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \{\Phi, J\Phi\} &= \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^1 \wedge e^3 - e^2 \wedge e^4), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^1 \wedge e^4 + e^2 \wedge e^3) \right\}, \\ \{\Psi_1, \Psi_2, \Psi_3\} &= \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^1 \wedge e^2 - e^3 \wedge e^4), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^1 \wedge e^3 + e^2 \wedge e^4), \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^1 \wedge e^4 - e^2 \wedge e^3) \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

are (local) orthonormal bases of LM and $\wedge_0^{1,1}M = \wedge_-^2M$, respectively.

In this paper, for any orthonormal basis (resp., any local orthonormal frame field) $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ of a point $p \in M$ (resp., on a neighborhood of p), we will adopt the following notational convention:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{ij} &= g(Je_i, e_j), \quad \Gamma_{ijk} = g(\nabla_{e_i} e_j, e_k), \\ R_{ijkl} &= g(R(e_i, e_j)e_k, e_l), \dots, R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}\bar{l}} = g(R(Je_i, Je_j)Je_k, Je_l), \\ \rho_{ij} &= \rho(e_i, e_j), \dots, \rho_{i\bar{j}} = \rho(e_i, e_{\bar{j}}), \\ \rho_{ij}^* &= \rho^*(e_i, e_j), \dots, \rho_{i\bar{j}}^* = \rho^*(e_i, e_{\bar{j}}), \\ \nabla_i J_{jk} &= g((\nabla_{e_i} J)e_j, e_k), \dots, \nabla_{i\bar{j}} J_{\bar{j}k} = g((\nabla_{e_i} J)e_{\bar{j}}, e_{\bar{k}}), \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

and so on, where the Latin indices run over the range 1, 2, 3, 4. We define functions A , B , C , D , G , and K on M by

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \sum_{i,j,k,l,a=1}^4 (\nabla_a J_{ij}) R_{ijkl} (\nabla_a J_{kl}), \\ B &= \sum_{i,j,k,l,a=1}^4 (\nabla_a J_{ij}) (\nabla_a J_{kl}) (\nabla_b J_{ij}) (\nabla_b J_{kl}), \\ C &= \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^4 R_{ijkl} R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}\bar{l}}, \quad D = \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^4 (R_{ijkl} - R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}\bar{l}})^2, \\ G &= \sum_{i,j=1}^4 (\rho_{ij}^* - \rho_{ji}^*)^2, \quad K = (u - v)^2 + 4w^2, \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

where $u = g(\mathcal{R}(\Phi), \Phi)$, $v = g(\mathcal{R}(J\Phi), J\Phi)$, and $w = g(\mathcal{R}(\Phi), J\Phi)$. First, we will prove the following.

LEMMA 2.1. *The norm of the self-dual Weyl operator ${}^{\mathcal{W}^+}$ is given by*

$$\|{}^{\mathcal{W}^+}\|^2 = \frac{1}{16} \left(G + D + (\tau^*)^2 - \frac{\tau^2}{3} \right). \quad (2.8)$$

PROOF. Let $\{e_1, e_2 = Je_1, e_3, e_4 = Je_3\}$ be any (local) unitary frame field on M and we put $\Omega_0 = -\Omega/\sqrt{2} = (e^1 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^4)/\sqrt{2}$, $\Phi = (e^1 \wedge e^3 - e^2 \wedge e^4)/\sqrt{2}$, and $J\Phi = (e^1 \wedge e^4 + e^2 \wedge e^3)/\sqrt{2}$. Then, $\{\Omega_0, \Phi, J\Phi\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\wedge_+^2 M$. Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|{}^{\mathcal{W}^+}\|^2 &= g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(\Omega_0), \Omega_0)^2 + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(\Omega_0), \Phi)^2 + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(\Omega_0), J\Phi)^2 \\ &\quad + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(\Phi), \Omega_0)^2 + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(\Phi), \Phi)^2 + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(\Phi), J\Phi)^2 \\ &\quad + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(J\Phi), \Omega_0)^2 + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(J\Phi), \Phi)^2 + g({}^{\mathcal{W}^+}(J\Phi), J\Phi)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Taking account of (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(\mathcal{W}^+(\Omega_0), \Omega_0) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-R_{1212} - 2R_{1234} - R_{3434} - \frac{\tau}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{12} (3\tau^* - \tau), \\
 g(\mathcal{W}^+(\Omega_0), \Phi) &= \frac{1}{2} (-R_{1213} - R_{1224} - R_{3413} - R_{3424}) = -\frac{1}{2} (\rho_{14}^* - \rho_{41}^*), \\
 g(\mathcal{W}^+(\Omega_0), J\Phi) &= \frac{1}{2} (-R_{1214} - R_{1223} - R_{3414} - R_{3423}) = \frac{1}{2} (\rho_{13}^* - \rho_{31}^*), \\
 g(\mathcal{W}^+(\Phi), \Phi) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-R_{1313} + 2R_{1324} - R_{2424} - \frac{\tau}{6} \right) = -(R_{1313} - R_{1324}) - \frac{\tau}{12}, \\
 g(\mathcal{W}^+(\Phi), J\Phi) &= \frac{1}{2} (-R_{1314} - R_{1323} + R_{2414} + R_{2423}) = -(R_{1314} + R_{1323}), \\
 g(\mathcal{W}^+(J\Phi), J\Phi) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(-R_{1414} - 2R_{1423} - R_{2323} - \frac{\tau}{6} \right) = -(R_{1414} + R_{1423}) - \frac{\tau}{12}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\mathcal{W}^+\|^2 &= \frac{1}{12^2} (3\tau^* - \tau)^2 + \frac{2\tau^2}{12^2} + \frac{1}{2} (\rho_{13}^* - \rho_{31}^*)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\rho_{14}^* - \rho_{41}^*)^2 \\
 &\quad + (R_{1313} - R_{1324})^2 + (R_{1314} + R_{1323})^2 + (R_{1314} + R_{1323})^2 \\
 &\quad + (R_{1414} + R_{1423})^2 + \frac{\tau}{6} (R_{1313} - R_{1324} + R_{1414} + R_{1423}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{12^2} (3\tau^* - \tau)^2 + \frac{2\tau^2}{12^2} + \frac{G}{8} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i < j, k < l} (R_{ijkl} - R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}})^2 - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k < l} (R_{12kl} - R_{12\bar{k}\bar{l}})^2 \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k < l} (R_{34kl} - R_{34\bar{k}\bar{l}})^2 + \frac{\tau}{6} \left(-\frac{\tau}{4} - R_{1212} - R_{1234} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{12^2} (3\tau^* - \tau)^2 + \frac{2\tau^2}{12^2} + \frac{G}{8} + \frac{D}{16} - \frac{G}{32} - \frac{G}{32} + \frac{\tau}{6} \left(-\frac{\tau}{4} + \frac{\tau^*}{4} \right) \\
 &= \frac{D}{16} + \frac{G}{16} + \frac{(\tau^*)^2}{16} - \frac{\tau^2}{48}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

The lemma follows. $\square$

Next, we recall the following equalities established in [6]:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \frac{1}{4} B = \frac{(\tau^* - \tau)^2}{2}, \\
 C &= -2K + \frac{(\tau^* - \tau)^2}{8}, \\
 G &= 4\|\rho^*\|^2 - (\tau^*)^2 = 16\{(\rho_{13}^*)^2 + (\rho_{14}^*)^2\}, \\
 K &= (u + v)^2 + 4(w^2 - uv) = \frac{(\tau^* - \tau)^2}{16} - 4\det \mathcal{R}'_{LM}, \\
 \|\mathcal{R}_{LM}\|^2 &= \frac{1}{16} D, \quad \|\mathcal{R}'_{LM}\|^2 = \frac{1}{16} (D - G),
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

where $\mathcal{R}_{LM}$ is the restriction of $\mathcal{R}$ to LM and $\mathcal{R}'_{LM} = P_{LM} \circ \mathcal{R}_{LM}$, the composition of $\mathcal{R}_{LM}$ and the natural projection $P_{LM} : \wedge^2 M \rightarrow LM$. We define a vector field $\eta = (\eta_a)$ on M by $\eta_a = \sum_{i,j=1}^4 (\nabla_a J_{ij}) \rho_{ij}^*$, then we obtain the following (see [6, (2.23)]):

$$\Delta \tau^* = \frac{G}{2} + 4K + \frac{(3\tau^* - \tau)(\tau^* - \tau)}{4} - 4 \operatorname{div} \eta. \quad (2.13)$$

Further, from (2.12) and the curvature identity

$$R_{ijkl} - R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}} - R_{i\bar{j}kl} + R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}\bar{l}} + R_{ij\bar{k}l} + R_{i\bar{j}k\bar{l}} + R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}l} + R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}} = 2 \sum_{a=1}^4 (\nabla_a J_{ij}) \nabla_a J_{kl} \quad (2.14)$$

by Gray [3] for almost Kähler manifold, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{1}{2} \sum R_{ijkl} (R_{ijkl} - R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}} - R_{i\bar{j}kl} + R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}\bar{l}} + R_{ij\bar{k}l} + R_{i\bar{j}k\bar{l}} + R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}l} + R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \sum (R_{ijkl} - R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}})^2 - \frac{1}{4} \sum (R_{ijkl} - R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}})(R_{i\bar{j}kl} - R_{i\bar{j}\bar{k}\bar{l}}) + 2 \sum R_{ijkl} R_{ij\bar{k}\bar{l}} \\ &= \frac{D}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \left\{ -16 \|\mathcal{R}'_{LM}\|^2 + \sum (R_{ij12} + R_{ij34} - R_{i\bar{j}12} - R_{i\bar{j}34})^2 \right\} + 2C \\ &= \frac{D}{4} + 4 \|\mathcal{R}'_{LM}\|^2 - \frac{G}{4} + 2C \\ &= \frac{D}{2} - \frac{G}{2} - 4K + \frac{(\tau^* - \tau)^2}{4}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

Thus, from (2.12) and this equality, we obtain

$$\frac{D}{2} - \frac{G}{2} - 4K - \frac{(\tau^* - \tau)^2}{4} = 0. \quad (2.16)$$

Now, we are ready to prove the following.

THEOREM 2.2. *Let $M = (M, J, g)$ be a four-dimensional compact almost Kähler-Einstein manifold with negative scalar curvature. If M satisfies*

$$\int_M \{G + \tau(\tau^* - \tau)\} dV \geq 0, \quad (2.17)$$

or, more strictly, if $\tau^ - \tau \leq -G/\tau$ at each point of M , then M is Kähler-Einstein.*

PROOF. From (2.8), we have

$$24 \int_M \|\mathcal{W}^+\|^2 dV - \int_M \tau^2 dV = \frac{3}{2} \int_M \{G + D + (\tau^* - \tau)(\tau^* + \tau)\} dV. \quad (2.18)$$

On one hand, from (2.13) and (2.16), we have

$$0 = \int_M \left\{ \frac{G}{2} + 4K + \frac{(3\tau^* - \tau)(\tau^* - \tau)}{4} \right\} dV = \int_M \left\{ \frac{D}{2} + \frac{\tau^*(\tau^* - \tau)}{2} \right\} dV. \quad (2.19)$$

Thus, from (2.18) and (2.19), we obtain

$$24 \int_M \|W^+\|^2 dV - \int_M \tau^2 dV = \frac{2}{3} \int_M \{G + \tau(\tau^* - \tau)\} dV. \quad (2.20)$$

Therefore, from Corollary 1.3, the assertion of the theorem immediately follows. $\square$

REMARK 2.3. The above theorem is concerned with the following facts.

- (1) For a compact four-dimensional almost Kähler-Einstein manifold, the function $\tau^* - \tau$ vanishes at some point of M (see [1, 5]).
- (2) A four-dimensional compact almost Kähler-Einstein and weakly $*$ -Einstein manifold ($G \equiv 0$) is a Kähler manifold (see [7]).
- (3) Let M be a four-dimensional compact strictly almost Kähler-Einstein, but not weakly $*$ -Einstein manifold. Then, we see that $G > 0$ on $M_0 = \{p \in M \mid \tau^* - \tau > 0\}$, and hence $\tau^* - \tau = 0$ at which $G = 0$ (see [5]).

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