

Some inequalities for warped products in cosymplectic space forms

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Abstract

In this article, we investigate the inequality between the warping function of a warped product submanifold isometrically immersed in a cosymplectic space form of constant φ -sectional curvature and the squared mean curvature. Furthermore, some applications are derived.

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§1. Introduction

Let M_1 and M_2 be Riemannian manifolds of positive dimension n_1 and n_2 , equipped with Riemannian metrics g_1 and g_2 , respectively. Let f be a positive function on M_1 . The warped product $M_1 \times_f M_2$ is defined to be the product manifold $M_1 \times M_2$ with the warped metric: $g = g_1 + f^2 g_2$ (see, for instance [3]).

It is well-known that the notion of warped products plays some important role in differential geometry as well as in physics. For a recent survey on warped products as Riemannian submanifolds, we refer to [3].

Let $\phi : M_1 \times_f M_2 \longrightarrow \tilde{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of a warped product $M_1 \times_f M_2$ into a Riemannian manifold $\tilde{M}(c)$ with constant sectional curvature c . We denote by h the second fundamental form of ϕ and $H_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \text{trace } h_i$, where $\text{trace } h_i$ is the trace of h restricted to M_i . We call H_i ($i = 1, 2$) the partial mean curvature vectors. The immersion ϕ is said to be *mixed totally geodesic* if $h(X, Z) = 0$, for any vector fields X and Z tangent to M_1 and M_2 respectively.

Recently, in [6] B. Y. Chen established the following sharp relationship between the warping function f of a warped product $M_1 \times_f M_2$ isometrically immersed in a real space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ and the squared mean curvature $\|H\|^2$.

Theorem 1.1 ([6]). *Let $\phi : M_1 \times_f M_2 \longrightarrow \tilde{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of a warped product into a Riemannian m -manifold of constant sectional curvature c . Then, we have*

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{\Delta f}{f} \leq \frac{(n_1 + n_2)^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + n_1 c,$$

where Δ is the Laplacian operator of M_1 .

As an immediate application, he obtained necessary conditions for a warped product to admit a minimal isometric immersion in a Euclidean space or in a real space form.

On the other hand, for the above related researches B. Y. Chen investigated the inequality (1.1) of a warped product submanifold into complex hyperbolic space ([5]) and complex projective space form ([2]). Also, K. Matsumoto and I. Mihai ([8]) studied the inequality (1.1) of a warped product submanifold into Sasakian space form of constant φ -sectional curvature.

In this paper, we prove similar inequality for warped product submanifolds of cosymplectic space forms of constant φ -sectional curvature c .

§2. Preliminaries

Let \tilde{M} be a $(2m+1)$ -dimensional almost contact manifold endowed with an almost contact structure (φ, ξ, η) , that is, φ is a $(1,1)$ tensor field, ξ is a vector field and η is a 1-form such that

$$\varphi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi \quad \text{and} \quad \eta(\xi) = 1.$$

Then, $\varphi(\xi) = 0$ and $\eta \circ \varphi = 0$.

Let g be a compatible Riemannian metric with (φ, ξ, η) , that is, $g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)$ or equivalent, $g(X, \varphi Y) = -g(\varphi X, Y)$ and $g(X, \xi) = \eta(X)$ for all $X, Y \in \tilde{M}$. Then, \tilde{M} becomes an almost contact metric manifold equipped with an almost contact metric structure (φ, ξ, η, g) . An almost contact metric manifold is *cosymplectic* ([1]) if $\tilde{\nabla}_X \varphi = 0$, where $\tilde{\nabla}$ is the Levi-Civita connection of the Riemannian metric g . From the formula $\tilde{\nabla}_X \varphi = 0$ it follows that $\tilde{\nabla}_X \xi = 0$.

A plane section π in $T_p \tilde{M}$ of an almost contact metric manifold \tilde{M} is called a φ -section if $\pi \perp \xi$ and $\varphi(\pi) = \pi$. \tilde{M} is of *constant φ -sectional curvature* if sectional curvature $\tilde{K}(\pi)$ does not depend on the choice of the φ -section π of $T_p \tilde{M}$ and the choice of a point $p \in \tilde{M}$. A cosymplectic manifold \tilde{M} is of constant φ -sectional curvature c if and only if its curvature tensor \tilde{R} is of the form ([7])

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} 4\tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = & c\{g(X, W)g(Y, Z) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W) \\ & + g(X, \varphi W)g(Y, \varphi Z) - g(X, \varphi Z)g(Y, \varphi W) \\ & - 2g(X, \varphi Y)g(Z, \varphi W) \\ & - g(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z) + g(X, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) \\ & - g(Y, Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) + g(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(Z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let M be an n -dimensional submanifold of a manifold \tilde{M} equipped with a Riemannian metric g . The Gauss and Wiengarten formulas are given respectively by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X N = -A_N X + \nabla_X^\perp N$$

for all $X, Y \in TM$ and $N \in T^\perp M$, where $\tilde{\nabla}, \nabla$ and ∇^\perp are the Riemannian, induced Riemannian and induced normal connections in \tilde{M}, M and the normal bundle $T^\perp M$ of M respectively, and h is the second fundamental form related to the shape operator A by $g(h(X, Y), N) = g(A_N X, Y)$.

For any vector X tangent to M we put $\varphi X = PX + FX$, where PX and FX are the tangential and the normal components of φX , respectively. Given an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ of M , we define the squared norm of P by

$$\|P\|^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n g^2(\varphi e_i, e_j)$$

and the mean curvature vector $H(p)$ at $p \in M$ is given by $H = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n h(e_i, e_i)$. We put

$$h_{ij}^r = g(h(e_i, e_j), e_r) \quad \text{and} \quad \|h\|^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n g(h(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j))$$

where $\{e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{2m+1}\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $T_p^\perp M$ and $r = n+1, \dots, 2m+1$. A submanifold M is *totally geodesic* in \tilde{M} if $h = 0$, and *minimal* if $H = 0$.

On the other hand, M is said to be a *totally real submanifold* if P is identically zero, that is, $\varphi X \in T_p^\perp M$ for any $X \in T_p M, p \in M$.

For an n -dimensional Riemannian manifold M , we denote by $K(\pi)$ the sectional curvature of M associated with a plane section $\pi \subset T_p M, p \in M$. For any orthonormal basis e_1, \dots, e_n of the tangent space $T_p M$, the scalar curvature τ at p is defined by to be

$$(2.2) \quad \tau(p) = \sum_{i < j} K(e_i \wedge e_j).$$

§3. Some inequality for warped product submanifolds

We give the following lemma for later use.

Lemma 3.1 ([4]). *Let a_1, \dots, a_n, a_{n+1} be $n+1$ ($n \geq 2$) real numbers such that*

$$(3.1) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^2 = (n-1) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 + a_{n+1} \right).$$

Then, $2a_1 a_2 \geq a_{n+1}$, with the equality holding if and only if $a_1 + a_2 = a_3 = \dots = a_n$.

We investigate warped product submanifolds tangent to the structure vector field ξ in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$.

Theorem 3.2. *Let $\phi : M_1 \times_f M_2 \longrightarrow \tilde{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of an n -dimensional warped product into a $(2m+1)$ -dimensional cosymplectic space form of constant φ -sectional curvature c whose structure vector field ξ is tangent to M_1 . Then, we have*

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{\Delta f}{f} \leq \frac{n^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + \frac{c}{4}(n_1 + 2),$$

where $n_i = \dim M_i, i = 1, 2$, and Δ is the Laplacian operator of M_1 .

Proof. Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a warped product submanifold of a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ with constant φ -sectional curvature c whose structure vector field ξ is tangent to M_1 . Since $M_1 \times_f M_2$ is a warped product, it is easily seen that

$$(3.2) \quad \nabla_X Z = \nabla_Z X = \frac{1}{f}(Xf)Z,$$

for any vector fields X, Z tangent to M_1, M_2 , respectively. If X and Z are unit vector fields, it follows that the sectional curvature $K(X \wedge Z)$ of the plane section spanned by X and Z is given by

$$(3.3) \quad K(X \wedge Z) = g(\nabla_Z \nabla_X X - \nabla_X \nabla_Z X, Z) = \frac{1}{f}\{(\nabla_X X)f - X^2 f\}.$$

We choose an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{2m+1}\}$ such that $e_1, \dots, e_{n_1} = \xi$ are tangent to M_1 , e_{n_1+1}, \dots, e_n are tangent to M_2 and e_{n+1} is parallel to H . Then, using (3.3) we obtain

$$(3.4) \quad \frac{\Delta f}{f} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_1} K(e_j \wedge e_s),$$

for each $s \in \{n_1 + 1, \dots, n\}$.

From the equation of Gauss, we obtain

$$(3.5) \quad 2\tau = \{n(n-1) + 3\|P\|^2 - 2n + 2\}\frac{c}{4} + n^2\|H\|^2 - \|h\|^2.$$

We denote

$$(3.6) \quad \delta = 2\tau - \{n(n-1) + 3\|P\|^2 - 2n + 2\}\frac{c}{4} - \frac{n^2}{2}\|H\|^2.$$

Substituting (3.5) in (3.6), we have

$$(3.7) \quad n^2\|H\|^2 = 2(\delta + \|h\|^2).$$

With respect to the above orthonormal basis, (3.7) takes the following form:

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n h_{ii}^{n+1}\right)^2 = 2 \left(\delta + \sum_{i=1}^n (h_{ii}^{n+1})^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} (h_{ij}^{n+1})^2 + \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (h_{ij}^r)^2 \right),$$

which implies

$$(3.8) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 a_i\right)^2 = 2 \left\{ \delta + \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i^2 + \sum_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq n} (h_{ij}^{n+1})^2 + \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (h_{ij}^r)^2 \right. \\ \left. - \sum_{2 \leq j \neq k \leq n_1} h_{jj}^{n+1} h_{kk}^{n+1} - \sum_{n_1+1 \leq s \neq t \leq n} h_{ss}^{n+1} h_{tt}^{n+1} \right\},$$

where $a_1 = h_{11}^{n+1}$, $a_2 = \sum_{i=2}^{n_1} h_{ii}^{n+1}$ and $a_3 = \sum_{t=n_1+1}^n h_{tt}^{n+1}$.

Applying Lemma 3.1 to (3.8) yields

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n_1} h_{jj}^{n+1} h_{kk}^{n+1} + \sum_{n_1+1 \leq s < t \leq n} h_{ss}^{n+1} h_{tt}^{n+1} \\ & \geq \frac{\delta}{2} + \sum_{1 \leq \alpha < \beta \leq n} (h_{\alpha\beta}^{n+1})^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m+1} \sum_{\alpha, \beta=1}^n (h_{\alpha\beta}^r)^2, \end{aligned}$$

with equality holding if and only if we have

$$(3.10) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} h_{ii}^{n+1} = \sum_{t=n_1+1}^n h_{tt}^{n+1}.$$

On the other hand, (2.5) and (3.4) imply

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} n_2 \frac{\Delta f}{f} &= \tau - \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n_1} K(e_j \wedge e_k) - \sum_{n_1+1 \leq s < t \leq n} K(e_s \wedge e_t) \\ &= \tau - \frac{n_1(n_1-1)c}{8} - \frac{3c}{4} \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n_1} g^2(Pe_j, e_k) - \frac{c}{4}(1-n_1) \\ &\quad - \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m+1} \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n_1} (h_{jj}^r h_{kk}^r - (h_{jk}^r)^2) - \frac{n_2(n_2-1)c}{8} \\ &\quad - \frac{3c}{4} \sum_{n_1+1 \leq s < t \leq n} g^2(Pe_s, e_t) - \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m+1} \sum_{n_1+1 \leq s < t \leq n} (h_{ss}^r h_{tt}^r - (h_{st}^r)^2). \end{aligned}$$

Combining (3.9) and (3.11) and taking account of (3.4), we have

$$(3.12) \quad \begin{aligned} n_2 \frac{\Delta f}{f} &\leq \tau - \frac{n(n-1)}{8}c + \frac{c}{4}n_1n_2 - \frac{\delta}{2} - \frac{c}{4}(1-n_1) \\ &\quad - \frac{3c}{4} \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq n_1} g^2(Pe_j, e_k) - \frac{3c}{4} \sum_{n_1+1 \leq s < t \leq n} g^2(Pe_s, e_t). \end{aligned}$$

By (3.6), the inequality (3.12) reduces to

$$(3.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta f}{f} &\leq \frac{n^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + (n_1-1)\frac{c}{4} + \frac{3c}{4n_2} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n_1 \\ n_1+1 \leq t \leq n}} g^2(Pe_j, e_t) \\ &\leq \frac{n^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + (n_1-1)\frac{c}{4} + \frac{3c}{4} \min \left\{ \frac{n_1}{n_2}, 1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We distinguish two cases:

(a) $n_1 \leq n_2$, in this case the inequality (3.13) implies (3.1).

(b) $n_1 > n_2$, in this case (3.13) also becomes (3.1). It completes the proof. \square

Corollary 3.3. *Let $\phi : M = M_1 \times_f M_2 \rightarrow \tilde{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of an n -dimensional totally real warped product into a $(2m+1)$ -dimensional a cosymplectic space form whose the structure vector field ξ is tangent to M_1 . Then, we have*

$$(3.14) \quad \frac{\Delta f}{f} \leq \frac{n^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + (n_1-1)\frac{c}{4},$$

where, $n_i = \dim M_i, i = 1, 2$, and Δ is the Laplacian operator of M_1 .

Moreover, the equality case of (3.14) holds if and only if ϕ is a mixed totally geodesic immersion and $n_1 H_1 = n_2 H_2$, where, $H_i, i = 1, 2$ are the partial mean curvatures.

Proof. By (3.13), we can easily obtain the inequality (3.14). Also, we see that the equality sign of (3.13) holds if and only if

$$(3.15) \quad h_{jt}^r = 0, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n_1, \quad n_1 + 1 \leq t \leq n, \quad n + 1 \leq r \leq 2m + 1,$$

and

$$(3.16) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} h_{ii}^r = \sum_{t=n_1+1}^n h_{tt}^r = 0, \quad n + 2 \leq r \leq 2m + 1.$$

Obviously (3.15) is equivalent to the mixed totally geodesic of the warped product M and (3.10) and (3.16) imply $n_1 H_1 = n_2 H_2$. The converse statement is straightforward. \square

Corollary 3.4. *Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a totally real warped product in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ whose the structure vector ξ is tangent to $M_1 (n_1 > 1)$ and a warping function f is a harmonic. Then, $M_1 \times_f M_2$ admits no minimal totally real immersion into a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ with $c < 0$.*

Proof. Assume f is a harmonic function on M_1 and $M_1 \times_f M_2$ admits a minimal totally real immersion in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$. Then, the inequality (3.14) becomes $c \geq 0$. \square

Corollary 3.5. *Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a totally real warped product in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ whose the structure vector ξ is tangent to $M_1 (n_1 > 0)$. If the warping function f of a warped product $M_1 \times_f M_2$ is an eigenfunction of the Laplacian on M_1 with corresponding eigenvalue $\lambda > 0$, then $M_1 \times_f M_2$ dose not admit a minimal totally real immersion into a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ with $c \leq 0$.*

Proof. If f is an eigenfunction of the Laplacian on M_1 with eigenvalue $\lambda > 0$. Then inequality (3.14) implies that $(n_1 - 1) \frac{c}{4} \geq \lambda > 0$. Therefore, we have Corollary 3.5. \square

Corollary 3.6. *Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a compact totally real warped product in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ such that the structure vector ξ is tangent to $M_1 (n_1 > 1)$ and $c \leq 0$. Then $M_1 \times_f M_2$ is a Riemannian product.*

Theorem 3.7. *Let $\phi : M_1 \times_f M_2 \longrightarrow \tilde{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of an n -dimensional warped product into a $(2m + 1)$ -dimensional cosymplectic space form of constant φ -sectional curvature c whose structure vector field ξ is tangent to M_2 . Then, we have*

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} \leq \frac{n^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + \left(3 + n_1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2}\right) \frac{c}{4},$$

where $n_i = \dim M_i, i = 1, 2$, and Δ is the Laplacian operator of M_1 .

Corollary 3.8. *Let $\phi : M = M_1 \times_f M_2 \longrightarrow \tilde{M}(c)$ be an isometric immersion of an n -dimensional totally real warped product into a $(2m + 1)$ -dimensional a cosymplectic*

space form whose the structure vector field ξ is tangent to M_2 . Then, we have

$$(3.17) \quad \frac{\Delta f}{f} \leq \frac{n^2}{4n_2} \|H\|^2 + \left(n_1 - \frac{n_1}{n_2} \right) \frac{c}{4},$$

where, $n_i = \dim M_i, i = 1, 2$, and Δ is the Laplacian operator of M_1 .

Moreover, the equality case of (3.17) holds if and only if ϕ is a mixed totally geodesic immersion and $n_1 H_1 = n_2 H_2$, where, $H_i, i = 1, 2$ are the partial mean curvatures.

Corollary 3.9. *Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a totally real warped product in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ whose the structure vector ξ is tangent to $M_2 (n_2 > 1)$ and a warping function f is a harmonic. Then, $M_1 \times_f M_2$ admits no minimal totally real immersion into a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ with $c < 0$.*

Corollary 3.10. *Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a totally real warped product in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ whose the structure vector ξ is tangent to $M_2 (n_2 > 0)$. If the warping function f of a warped product $M_1 \times_f M_2$ is an eigenfunction of the Laplacian on M_1 with corresponding eigenvalue $\lambda > 0$, then $M_1 \times_f M_2$ dose not admit a minimal totally real immersion into a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ with $c \leq 0$.*

Corollary 3.11. *Let $M_1 \times_f M_2$ be a compact totally real warped product in a cosymplectic space form $\tilde{M}(c)$ such that the structure vector ξ is tangent to $M_2 (n_2 > 1)$ and $c \leq 0$. Then $M_1 \times_f M_2$ is a Riemannian product.*

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