

## CHEN INVARIANTS AND STATISTICAL SUBMANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. We define a kind of sectional curvature and  $\delta$ -invariants for statistical manifolds. For statistical submanifolds the sum of the squared mean curvature and the squared dual mean curvature is bounded below by using the  $\delta$ -invariant. This inequality can be considered as a generalization of the so-called Chen inequality for Riemannian submanifolds.

### 1. Introduction

For a Riemannian manifold, B.-Y. Chen introduced functions  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}$ , new kinds of curvatures, which are defined in terms of sectional curvature and its generalizations. They are now called Chen's delta-invariants. He established inequalities for Riemannian submanifolds which involve his delta-invariant and the squared mean curvature. His work inspires many geometers and derives inequalities for various settings. A general expression can be found in [2] for example (see also Corollary 3.7).

The submanifold theory in statistical manifolds is a developing research field. A statistical structure on a manifold is a pair of a Riemannian metric and an affine connection satisfying certain conditions. By definition, a pair of a Riemannian metric and its Levi-Civita connection is a basic example. Accordingly, it is a natural problem to build corresponding inequalities for statistical submanifolds. In fact, many geometers recently give various inequalities for statistical submanifolds (for example, see [1, 3, 6, 7, 9] and references therein). In particular, A. Mihai and I. Mihai [7] obtained an inequality for statistical submanifolds corresponding to the one in terms of the  $\delta_{(2,2)}$ -invariant, though they did not define the delta-invariant for a statistical manifold.

In this paper, we reformulate and generalize their inequality by defining delta-invariants for a statistical manifold. To define the delta-invariants, we use a new notion of sectional curvature for a statistical manifold, which is different from the ones defined from the so-called the statistical curvature tensor field  $S$  or the so-called the  $K$ -curvature tensor field  $[K, K]$  (see Section 2 and [4, 8])

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for sectional curvatures of statistical manifolds). We can define another delta-invariant by using each of those sectional curvatures for a statistical manifold. However, our delta-invariant  $\delta^U$  is suitable for obtaining the relation between the sum of the squared mean curvature and the squared dual mean curvature. In this paper, we have:

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $\widetilde{M}$  be an  $(m+p)$ -dimensional statistical manifold of constant  $U$  sectional curvature  $\widetilde{\kappa}$ . Let  $(M, \nabla, g)$  be an  $m$ -dimensional statistical submanifold in  $\widetilde{M}$  with the mean curvature vector field  $H$  and the dual mean curvature vector field  $H^*$ . Then the following inequality holds at each point of  $M$ :*

$$\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2 \geq 2c(m_1, \dots, m_k)^{-1} \{ \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U - b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \widetilde{\kappa} \},$$

where  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U$  is the delta-invariant of  $(\nabla, g)$  for  $U$  of type  $(m_1, \dots, m_k)$ , and  $b(m_1, \dots, m_k)$ ,  $c(m_1, \dots, m_k)$  are positive constants defined in Definition 3.2.

The precise statement will be given as Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 3.6, which will be presented in the style same to [2]. The statistical submanifolds characterized by the equality will be stated there. The definitions concerning  $U$  are presented in Section 2. For example, a Hessian manifold of constant Hessian curvature is of constant  $U$  sectional curvature. If  $\widetilde{M}$  is such a manifold and if  $k = 2$  and  $m_1 = m_2 = 2$ , then the theorem is reduced to the inequality in [7]. If  $\widetilde{M}$  is a Riemannian manifold, that is, if the considering affine connection coincides with the Levi-Civita connection, then the theorem is reduced to the inequality in [2]. A key of the proof is the algebraic identity (3.6), which seems easier to understand than the proof of the known Riemannian version. As an application, we have the non-existence of doubly minimal statistical submanifolds in statistical manifolds of non-positive  $U$  sectional curvature (Corollary 4.4).

## 2. Curvatures for statistical structures

Throughout this paper,  $M$  denotes a smooth manifold of dimension  $m \geq 2$ , and all the objects are assumed to be smooth.  $\Gamma(E)$  denotes the set of sections of a vector bundle  $E \rightarrow M$ . For example,  $\Gamma(TM^{(p,q)})$  means the set of all the tensor fields on  $M$  of type  $(p, q)$ .

Let  $\nabla$  be an affine connection on  $M$ , and  $g \in \Gamma(TM^{(0,2)})$  a Riemannian metric. We denote the Levi-Civita connection of  $g$  by  $\nabla^g$ .

We will start with the review of statistical structures.

**Definition 2.1.** A pair  $(\nabla, g)$  is called a *statistical structure* on  $M$  if  $\nabla$  is of torsion free, and the Codazzi equation

$$(\nabla_X g)(Y, Z) = (\nabla_Y g)(X, Z)$$

holds for any  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ .

*Remark 2.2.* For an affine connection  $\nabla$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ , define  $\nabla^*$  by the formula

$$(2.1) \quad Xg(Y, Z) = g(\nabla_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X^* Z)$$

for any  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Then  $\nabla^*$  is an affine connection on  $M$  which is called the *dual* connection of  $\nabla$  with respect to  $g$ . Moreover, if  $(\nabla, g)$  is a statistical structure, then  $(\nabla^*, g)$  is also a statistical structure and  $\nabla^g = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla + \nabla^*)$  as well.

*Remark 2.3.* For a statistical structure  $(\nabla, g)$ , we set

$$(2.2) \quad K_X Y = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_X^g Y$$

for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Then  $K \in \Gamma(TM^{(1,2)})$  satisfies

$$(2.3) \quad K_X Y = K_Y X, \quad g(K_X Y, Z) = g(Y, K_X Z).$$

Conversely, for a Riemannian metric  $g$  if a given  $K \in \Gamma(TM^{(1,2)})$  satisfies (2.3), a pair  $(\nabla = \nabla^g + K, g)$  becomes a statistical structure.

Besides, we have  $K = \nabla^g - \nabla^* = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla - \nabla^*)$ . We often denote  $K_X Y$  by  $K(X, Y)$  as well.

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $(\nabla, g)$  be a statistical structure on  $M$ . We denote the curvature tensor field of  $\nabla$  by  $R^\nabla$  or  $R$  for short, and denote  $R^{\nabla^*}$  by  $R^*$ ,  $R^{\nabla^g}$  by  $R^g$  in the similar fashion.

(1) We define

$$S(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{2} \{R(X, Y)Z + R^*(X, Y)Z\}$$

for  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ , and call  $S \in \Gamma(TM^{(1,3)})$  the *statistical curvature tensor field* of  $(\nabla, g)$ .

(2) Let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_m\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $T_x M$ . For a 2-dimensional subspace  $e_i \wedge e_j$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq m$ , spanned by  $e_i, e_j \in T_x M$ ,

$$\mathcal{K}^S(e_i \wedge e_j) = g(S(e_i, e_j)e_j, e_i)$$

is called the *statistical sectional curvature* of  $(\nabla, g)$  for a plane  $e_i \wedge e_j$ , which is denoted by  $\mathcal{K}(e_i \wedge e_j)$  for short. We remark that  $\mathcal{K}(\Pi)$  for a 2-dimensional subspace  $\Pi$  of  $T_x M$  is well defined (see [4]). We denote by  $\mathcal{K}^g$  the sectional curvature of  $g$ , which is given by using  $R^g$  instead of  $S$ .

(3) We define a global scalar field

$$\rho = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq m} g(S(e_i, e_j)e_j, e_i) = 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \mathcal{K}(e_i \wedge e_j),$$

and call  $\rho$  the *statistical scalar curvature* of  $(\nabla, g)$ . The scalar curvature of  $g$  is written by  $\rho^g = 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \mathcal{K}^g(e_i \wedge e_j)$ .

*Remark 2.5.* For a statistical structure  $(\nabla, g)$ , the following holds:

$$S(X, Y)Z = R^g(X, Y)Z + [K_X, K_Y]Z$$

for  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ . If  $K = 0$ , that is, if  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection of  $g$ , then we have  $S = R^g$ , and so  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}^g$ ,  $\rho = \rho^g$ .

**Definition 2.6.** Let  $(\nabla, g)$  be a statistical structure on  $M$ . We set  $U \in \Gamma(TM^{(1,3)})$  as

$$\begin{aligned} U(X, Y)Z &= R^g(X, Y)Z - [K_X, K_Y]Z \\ &= 2R^g(X, Y)Z - S(X, Y)Z \end{aligned}$$

for  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ . As  $\mathcal{K}^S$  is well defined, we can define the  $U$  sectional curvature  $\mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j)$  of  $(\nabla, g)$  for a plane  $e_i \wedge e_j$  of  $T_xM$ :

$$\mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j) = g(U(e_i, e_j)e_j, e_i),$$

and the  $U$  scalar curvature:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho^U &= 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j) \\ &= 2\rho^g - \rho. \end{aligned}$$

Remark that if  $K = 0$ , then  $U = R^g$ , and so  $\mathcal{K}^U = \mathcal{K}^g$ ,  $\rho^U = \rho^g$ . We also remark that an  $m$ -dimensional Hessian manifold  $(M, \nabla, g)$  of constant Hessian curvature  $\kappa$  is of constant  $U$  sectional curvature  $-\kappa/2$ , particularly,  $\rho^U = -\kappa m(m-1)/4$ .

For integers  $m \geq 3$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , let us denote by  $\mathcal{S}(m, k)$  the set consisting of unordered  $k$ -tuples  $(m_1, \dots, m_k)$  of integers which satisfies

$$(2.4) \quad 2 \leq m_q < m \text{ for } q = 1, \dots, k, \quad m \geq l_k,$$

where  $l_k = m_1 + \dots + m_k$ .

**Definition 2.7.** Let  $(M, \nabla, g)$  be a statistical manifold of dimension  $m \geq 3$ .

(1) Let  $L$  be a subspace of  $T_xM$  of dimension  $l \geq 2$  and  $\{e_1, \dots, e_l\}$  an orthonormal basis of  $L$ . We denote

$$\rho^U(L) = 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq l} \mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j).$$

Remark that  $\rho^U(T_xM) = \rho^U(x)$ .

(2) For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$ , we define a function  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$(2.5) \quad \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \rho^U(x) - \inf \left\{ \sum_{q=1}^k \rho^U(L_q) \mid L_1, \dots, L_k \right\} \right],$$

where  $L_1, \dots, L_k$  run over all  $k$  mutually orthogonal subspaces of  $T_xM$  with  $\dim L_q = m_q$ ,  $q = 1, \dots, k$ . We call  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U$  the *delta-invariant* of  $(\nabla, g)$  for  $U$  of type  $(m_1, \dots, m_k)$ . Furthermore, we write  $\delta_{(\emptyset)}^U(x) = \rho^U(x)/2$  for convenience sake.

*Remark 2.8.* For  $(M, \nabla^g, g)$ , our  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U$  coincides with  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}$  defined by B.-Y. Chen for a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ . We put  $1/2$  on the right hand side of (2.5) because his scalar curvature is a half of ours.

### 3. Chen inequalities

We give an algebraic preliminary, which is a key lemma to prove our theorems.

**Lemma 3.1.** *For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$ , set  $l_0 = 0$  and  $l_q = m_1 + \dots + m_q$  for  $q = 1, \dots, k$ . Suppose that  $m \geq l_k + 1$ . We have the following inequalities (3.1) and (3.3) for arbitrary  $a_1, \dots, a_m \in \mathbb{R}$ :*

$$(3.1) \quad (m - l_k - 1) \left( \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i \right)^2 \geq 2(m - l_k) \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j.$$

The equality holds if and only if

$$(3.2) \quad a_{l_k+1} = \dots = a_m.$$

It also holds for  $m \geq 2$  and  $k = 0$ .

$$(3.3) \quad (m + k - l_k - 1) \left( \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \right)^2 \geq 2(m + k - l_k) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j - \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} a_i a_j \right).$$

The equality holds if and only if

$$(3.4) \quad A_1 = \dots = A_k = a_{l_k+1} = \dots = a_m,$$

where  $A_q = a_{l_{q-1}+1} + \dots + a_{l_q}$ .

*Proof.* These are obtained directly from the following two identities:

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} (a_i - a_j)^2 = (m - l_k - 1) \left( \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i \right)^2 - 2(m - l_k) \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j,$$

and

$$(3.6) \quad \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} (a_i - a_j)^2 + \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m (A_q - a_i)^2 + \sum_{1 \leq q < r \leq k} (A_q - A_r)^2 = (m + k - l_k - 1) \left( \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \right)^2$$

$$-2(m+k-l_k)\left(\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j - \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} a_i a_j\right).$$

The proof of (3.5) is as follows: We calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} (a_i - a_j)^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i, j \leq m} (a_i - a_j)^2 \\ &= (m-l_k) \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i^2 - \left(\sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i\right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} (a_i - a_j)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i, j \leq m} - \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i=j \leq m} \right) (a_i^2 + a_j^2) - 2 \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j \\ &= (m-l_k-1) \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i^2 - 2 \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j. \end{aligned}$$

Deleting the term  $\sum a_i^2$  from these two identities implies (3.5).

The proof of (3.6) is as follows: We have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{1 \leq q < r \leq k} A_q A_r + \sum_{q=1}^k A_q \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i + \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j - \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} a_i a_j, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} &[\text{the left-hand side of (3.6)}] \\ &= \left\{ (m-l_k-1) \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i^2 - 2 \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j \right\} \\ &\quad + \left\{ (m-l_k) \sum_{q=1}^k A_q^2 + k \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i^2 - 2 \sum_{q=1}^k A_q \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i \right\} \\ &\quad + \left\{ (k-1) \sum_{q=1}^k A_q^2 - 2 \sum_{1 \leq q < r \leq k} A_q A_r \right\} \\ &= (m+k-l_k-1) \left( \sum_{q=1}^k A_q^2 + \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -2\left(\sum_{1 \leq q < r \leq k} A_q A_r + \sum_{q=1}^k A_q \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i + \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j\right) \\
 = & (m+k-l_k-1)\left\{\left(\sum_{q=1}^k A_q\right)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i\right)^2\right\} \\
 & -2(m+k-l_k)\left(\sum_{1 \leq q < r \leq k} A_q A_r + \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j\right) - 2\sum_{q=1}^k A_q \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i \\
 = & (m+k-l_k-1)\left(\sum_{q=1}^k A_q + \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i\right)^2 \\
 & -2(m+k-l_k)\left(\sum_{1 \leq q < r \leq k} A_q A_r + \sum_{q=1}^k A_q \sum_{i=l_k+1}^m a_i + \sum_{l_k+1 \leq i < j \leq m} a_i a_j\right) \\
 = & [\text{the right-hand side of (3.6)}]. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Following [2], we adopt the symbols below for later use.

**Definition 3.2.** For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$ , we set the positive constants as follow:

$$(3.7) \quad b(m_1, \dots, m_k) = \frac{1}{2}m(m-1) - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{q=1}^k m_q(m_q-1),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.8) \quad c(m_1, \dots, m_k) &= \frac{m^2 m + k - \sum_{q=1}^k m_q - 1}{2 m + k - \sum_{q=1}^k m_q} \\
 &= \frac{m^2 m + k - l_k - 1}{2 m + k - l_k},
 \end{aligned}$$

and moreover,

$$(3.9) \quad b(\emptyset) = c(\emptyset) = \frac{1}{2}m(m-1).$$

Let  $(\widetilde{M}, \widetilde{\nabla}, \widetilde{g})$  be a statistical manifold of dimension  $m+p$ . Let  $(M, \nabla, g)$  be a statistical submanifold of  $(\widetilde{M}, \widetilde{\nabla}, \widetilde{g})$ . For detail, refer to [4,9] for example. By definition, we have  $h, h^* \in \Gamma(T^\perp M \otimes TM^{(0,2)})$ ,  $A, A^* \in \Gamma((T^\perp M)^* \otimes TM^{(1,1)})$  and connections  $D, D^*$  of the normal bundle  $T^\perp M$  satisfying the Gauss and Weingarten formulas:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widetilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y), \\ \widetilde{\nabla}_X \xi = -A_\xi X + D_X \xi, \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \widetilde{\nabla}_X^* Y = \nabla_X^* Y + h^*(X, Y), \\ \widetilde{\nabla}_X^* \xi = -A_\xi^* X + D_X^* \xi \end{array} \right.,$$

for  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$  and  $\xi \in \Gamma(T^\perp M)$ . We denote the mean curvature vector fields of  $M$  for  $\tilde{\nabla}$  and  $\tilde{\nabla}^*$ , respectively, by

$$(3.10) \quad H = \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{tr}_g h, \quad H^* = \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{tr}_g h^*,$$

and write

$$\|H\|^2 = \tilde{g}(H, H), \quad \|H^*\|^2 = \tilde{g}(H^*, H^*).$$

The inclusion map  $\iota : M \rightarrow \tilde{M}$  can be considered as a *statistical immersion* of  $(M, \nabla, g)$  into  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$ .

**Definition 3.3.** A statistical immersion is said to be *doubly totally-geodesic* if  $h = h^* = 0$ , and *doubly totally-umbilical* if  $h = g \otimes H, h^* = g \otimes H^*$ . Furthermore, a statistical immersion is said to be *doubly minimal* if  $H = H^* = 0$ .

A doubly totally-geodesic statistical submanifold is also called a *doubly auto-parallel* statistical submanifold. Remark that a doubly minimal statistical immersion of  $(M, \nabla, g)$  into  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  is an isometric minimal immersion of  $(M, g)$  into  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{g})$ .

Our Gauss equations are the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{g}(\tilde{R}(X, Y)Z, W) &= g(R(X, Y)Z, W) \\ &\quad - \tilde{g}(h(Y, Z), h^*(X, W)) + \tilde{g}(h(X, Z), h^*(Y, W)), \\ 2\tilde{g}(\tilde{S}(X, Y)Z, W) &= 2g(S(X, Y)Z, W) \\ &\quad - \tilde{g}(h(Y, Z), h^*(X, W)) + \tilde{g}(h(X, Z), h^*(Y, W)) \\ &\quad - \tilde{g}(h^*(Y, Z), h(X, W)) + \tilde{g}(h^*(X, Z), h(Y, W)), \\ 4\tilde{g}(\tilde{R}^{\tilde{g}}(X, Y)Z, W) &= 4g(R^g(X, Y)Z, W) \\ &\quad - \tilde{g}(h(Y, Z) + h^*(Y, Z), h(X, W) + h^*(X, W)) \\ &\quad + \tilde{g}(h(X, Z) + h^*(X, Z), h(Y, W) + h^*(Y, W)) \end{aligned}$$

for  $X, Y, Z, W \in \Gamma(TM)$ .

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $(M, \nabla, g)$  be an  $m(\geq 2)$ -dimensional statistical submanifold in an  $(m+p)$ -dimensional statistical manifold  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  with the  $U$  sectional curvature  $\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}$ . Then

$$(3.11) \quad \delta_{(\emptyset)}^U \leq b(\emptyset) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + c(\emptyset) (\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2,$$

where  $\max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} = \max \{\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}(\Pi) \mid \Pi : \text{plane section of } TM\}$ .

Suppose that  $(\tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  is of constant  $U$  sectional curvature. The equality holds at  $x \in M$  if and only if  $h_x = g_x \otimes H_x, h_x^* = g_x \otimes H_x^*$ .

*Proof.* Using an orthonormal frame  $\{e_1, \dots, e_m, \xi_1, \dots, \xi_p\}$  adapted for  $M$ , we express

$$h(e_i, e_j) = \sum h_{ij}^\alpha \xi_\alpha, \quad h^*(e_i, e_j) = \sum h_{ij}^{*\alpha} \xi_\alpha.$$



As in the proof of Lemma 3.1 in [9], by the Gauss equations we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j) \\
 = & 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (2\mathcal{K}^g - \mathcal{K})(e_i \wedge e_j) \\
 = & 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (2\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{g}} - \tilde{\mathcal{K}})(e_i \wedge e_j) \\
 & + \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (h_{ii}^\alpha h_{jj}^\alpha + h_{ii}^{*\alpha} h_{jj}^{*\alpha} - (h_{ij}^\alpha)^2 - (h_{ij}^{*\alpha})^2) \\
 \leq & m(m-1) \max(2\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{g}} - \tilde{\mathcal{K}}) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (h_{ii}^\alpha h_{jj}^\alpha + h_{ii}^{*\alpha} h_{jj}^{*\alpha}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Considering  $h_{ii}^\alpha$  and  $h_{ii}^{*\alpha}$  as  $a_i$  in (3.1) with  $k = 0$  respectively, we have

$$2\delta_{(\emptyset)}^U \leq m(m-1) \left\{ \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + (\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2 \right\}.$$

The latter part of the proposition is easy to obtain from (3.2).  $\square$

*Remark 3.5.* In [9], we had the following inequality (Theorem 3.7):

$$(3.12) \quad \delta_{(\emptyset)}^U \leq b(\emptyset) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + (m^3/8) (\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2,$$

which characterizes doubly totally-umbilical surfaces and doubly totally-geodesic submanifolds as the equality holding cases at every point. It is easy to see that (3.11) coincides (3.12) in the case where  $m = 2$ . The inequality (3.12) was obtained from the relation between the Ricci curvature and the squared mean curvatures.

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $(M, \nabla, g)$  be an  $m(\geq 3)$ -dimensional statistical submanifold in an  $(m+p)$ -dimensional statistical manifold  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  with the  $U$  sectional curvature  $\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}$ . For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$ , we have*

$$(3.13) \quad \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U \leq b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + c(m_1, \dots, m_k) (\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2,$$

where  $\max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} = \max \{ \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}(\Pi) \mid \Pi : \text{plane section of } TM \}$ .

Suppose that  $(\tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  is of constant  $U$  sectional curvature. The equality holds at  $x \in M$  if and only if there exist mutually orthogonal subspaces  $L_1, \dots, L_k$  of  $T_x M$  with  $\dim L_q = m_q$ ,  $q = 1, \dots, k$ , and adapted orthonormal basis satisfying

$$(3.14) \quad L_q = \text{span}\{e_{l_{q-1}+1}, \dots, e_{l_q}\},$$

$$(3.15) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} h_{ii}^\alpha = \dots = \sum_{i=l_{k-1}+1}^{l_k} h_{ii}^\alpha = h_{l_{k+1}l_{k+1}}^\alpha = \dots = h_{mm}^\alpha,$$

$$(3.16) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{l_1} h_{ii}^{*\alpha} = \cdots = \sum_{i=l_{k-1}+1}^{l_k} h_{ii}^{*\alpha} = h_{l_k+1 l_k+1}^{*\alpha} = \cdots = h_{mm}^{*\alpha},$$

$$(3.17) \quad h_{ij}^\alpha = h_{ij}^{*\alpha} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{array}{l} i \leq l_q < l_q + 1 \leq j, \quad q = 1, \dots, k, \\ \text{or} \quad l_k + 1 \leq i < j \leq m. \end{array}$$

*Proof.* Let  $L_1, \dots, L_k$  be mutually orthogonal subspaces of  $T_x M$  with  $\dim L_q = m_q$ ,  $q = 1, \dots, k$  and  $\{e_{l_{q-1}+1}, \dots, e_{l_q}\}$  an orthonormal basis of  $L_q$ . As in the proof of Proposition 3.4, by the Gauss equations we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j) - 2 \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} \mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j) \\ = & 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}(e_i \wedge e_j) \\ & + \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (h_{ii}^\alpha h_{jj}^\alpha + h_{ii}^{*\alpha} h_{jj}^{*\alpha} - (h_{ij}^\alpha)^2 - (h_{ij}^{*\alpha})^2) \\ & - 2 \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}(e_i \wedge e_j) \\ & - \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} (h_{ii}^\alpha h_{jj}^\alpha + h_{ii}^{*\alpha} h_{jj}^{*\alpha} - (h_{ij}^\alpha)^2 - (h_{ij}^{*\alpha})^2) \\ \leq & 2b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} \\ & + \sum_{\alpha=1}^p \left\{ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (h_{ii}^\alpha h_{jj}^\alpha + h_{ii}^{*\alpha} h_{jj}^{*\alpha}) - \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} (h_{ii}^\alpha h_{jj}^\alpha + h_{ii}^{*\alpha} h_{jj}^{*\alpha}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In the case where  $\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}}$  is constant, we remark that the equality holds if and only if (3.17) holds.

Considering  $h_{ii}^\alpha$  and  $h_{ii}^{*\alpha}$  as  $a_i$  in (3.3) respectively, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho^U - 2 \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{l_{q-1}+1 \leq i < j \leq l_q} \mathcal{K}^U(e_i \wedge e_j) \\ & \leq 2b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + c(m_1, \dots, m_k) (\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2). \end{aligned}$$

The latter part of the proposition is easy to obtain from (3.4).  $\square$

**Corollary 3.7** ([2]). *Let  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{g})$  be an  $(m+p)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold of constant curvature  $\tilde{c}$ , and  $(M, g)$  an  $m$ -dimensional Riemannian submanifold with the mean curvature vector field  $\hat{H}$ . For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$ , we have*

$$(3.18) \quad \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)} \leq b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \tilde{c} + c(m_1, \dots, m_k) \|\hat{H}\|^2.$$

*Proof.* In Theorem 3.6, consider the case where  $\tilde{\nabla} = \nabla^{\tilde{g}}$ . Remark that  $\nabla = \nabla^g$  and  $H = H^* = \hat{H}$ . Since  $\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} = \tilde{c}$ , we have (3.18).  $\square$

**Corollary 3.8.** *Let  $(M, \nabla, g)$  be an  $m$ -dimensional statistical submanifold in an  $(m+p)$ -dimensional Hessian manifold  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  of constant Hessian curvature  $\kappa$ . For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$ , we have*

$$(3.19) \quad \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U \leq b(m_1, \dots, m_k)(-\kappa/2) + c(m_1, \dots, m_k)(\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2.$$

*Proof.* By definition,  $R^{\tilde{\nabla}} = 0$  and  $\tilde{g}$  is of constant curvature  $-\kappa/4$  (see [10]). Therefore, we have  $\mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} = -\kappa/2$ . Theorem 3.6 implies (3.19).  $\square$

In the case where  $k = 2$  and  $m_1 = m_2 = 2$ , the inequality was essentially obtained by [7].

#### 4. Examples

**Example 4.1.** The triple  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}, \tilde{g})$  defined below is an  $n$ -dimensional statistical manifold such that the  $U$  sectional curvature vanishes.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{M} &= (\mathbb{R}^+)^n = \{y = (y^1, \dots, y^n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid y^1 > 0, \dots, y^n > 0\}, \\ \tilde{g} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (dy^i)^2, \\ \tilde{\nabla}_{\tilde{\partial}_j} \tilde{\partial}_i &= \tilde{K}(\tilde{\partial}_j, \tilde{\partial}_i) = -\delta_{ji}(y^i)^{-1} \tilde{\partial}_i, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\partial}_i = \partial/\partial y^i$ . In fact, it is a Hessian manifold of constant Hessian curvature 0. For  $(n_1, \dots, n_k) \in \mathcal{S}(n, k)$ , we have  $\delta_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)}^{\tilde{U}} = 0$ .

**Example 4.2.** For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , the triple  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}^{(\alpha)}, \tilde{g})$  defined below is an  $n$ -dimensional statistical manifold such that the  $U$  sectional curvature is negative constant  $-(1 + \alpha^2)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{M} &= \mathbb{H}^n = \{y = (y^1, \dots, y^{n-1}, y^n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid y^n > 0\}, \\ \tilde{g} &= (y^n)^{-2} \sum_{A=1}^n (dy^A)^2, \\ \tilde{K}(\tilde{\partial}_i, \tilde{\partial}_j) &= \delta_{ij}(y^n)^{-1} \tilde{\partial}_n, \\ \tilde{K}(\tilde{\partial}_i, \tilde{\partial}_n) &= \tilde{K}(\tilde{\partial}_n, \tilde{\partial}_i) = (y^n)^{-1} \tilde{\partial}_i, \\ \tilde{K}(\tilde{\partial}_n, \tilde{\partial}_n) &= 2(y^n)^{-1} \tilde{\partial}_n, \end{aligned}$$

and  $\tilde{\nabla}^{(\alpha)} = \nabla^{\tilde{g}} + \alpha \tilde{K}$  as in Remark 2.3, where  $\tilde{\partial}_A = \partial/\partial y^A$ ,  $A = 1, \dots, n$  and  $i, j = 1, \dots, n-1$ . Then we have

$$[\tilde{K}, \tilde{K}](X, Y)Z = \tilde{g}(Y, Z)X - \tilde{g}(X, Z)Y,$$

$$\tilde{U}(X, Y)Z = -(1 + \alpha^2)\{\tilde{g}(Y, Z)X - \tilde{g}(X, Z)Y\}$$

for  $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(T\tilde{M})$ .

For  $(n_1, \dots, n_k) \in \mathcal{S}(n, k)$ , we have  $\delta_{(n_1, \dots, n_k)}^{\tilde{U}} = -b(n_1, \dots, n_k)(1 + \alpha^2)$ .

Remark that  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}^{(1)}, \tilde{g})$  is a Hessian manifold of constant Hessian curvature 4.

**Example 4.3** (Example 2.15 in [5]). Let  $(\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}, g, \phi, \xi)$  be a unit hypersphere in the complex Euclidean space with the standard Sasakian structure. Set  $K(X, Y) = g(X, \xi)g(Y, \xi)\xi$  for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\mathbb{S}^{2n+1})$ , and  $\nabla = \nabla^g + K$ . Then the statistical manifold  $(\mathbb{S}^{2n+1}, \nabla, g)$  is of constant  $U$  sectional curvature one. In fact, we have  $U = R^g$ . For  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(2n+1, k)$ , we have  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U = b(m_1, \dots, m_k)$ .

As an application of Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 3.6, we have the following non-existence of doubly minimal statistical immersions:

**Corollary 4.4.** *Let  $\tilde{M}$  be a statistical manifold of non-positive  $U$  sectional curvature. Let  $M$  be an  $m$ -dimensional statistical manifold. Suppose that there exist non-negative integer  $k$ ,  $(m_1, \dots, m_k) \in \mathcal{S}(m, k)$  and a point  $x \in M$  such that  $\delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U(x)$  is positive. Then  $M$  does not admit doubly minimal statistical immersion into  $\tilde{M}$  for any codimension, in particular,  $\tilde{M}$  as in Examples 4.1 and 4.2.*

We will give basic properties and examples of doubly minimal statistical immersions in another paper.

Examples of doubly totally-umbilical statistical submanifolds, which are submanifolds satisfying the equality in Proposition 3.4, are given in [9]:

**Example 4.5.** Let  $(\tilde{M}, \tilde{\nabla}^{(\alpha)}, \tilde{g})$  be a statistical manifold of dimension  $n = m + p$  in Example 4.2.

(1) For  $(a^1, \dots, a^p) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ , the inclusion map  $\iota : \mathbb{H}^m \ni (x^1, \dots, x^{m-1}, x^m) \mapsto (a^1, \dots, a^p, x^1, \dots, x^{m-1}, x^m) \in \mathbb{H}^n$  is doubly totally-geodesic. In fact, we have  $h = h^* = 0$ , and the induced statistical structure  $(\nabla, g)$  on  $\mathbb{H}^m$  is same as in Example 4.2. Accordingly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U &= -b(m_1, \dots, m_k)(1 + \alpha^2), \\ b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + c(m_1, \dots, m_k)(\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2 \\ &= -b(m_1, \dots, m_k)(1 + \alpha^2). \end{aligned}$$

(2) For  $(a^1, \dots, a^{p-1}, a^p) \in \mathbb{R}^{p-1} \times \mathbb{R}^+$ , the inclusion map

$$\iota : \mathbb{R}^m \ni (x^1, \dots, x^m) \mapsto (x^1, \dots, x^m, a^1, \dots, a^{p-1}, a^p) \in \mathbb{H}^n$$

is doubly totally-umbilical. In fact, the induced statistical structure  $(\nabla, g)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is given as

$$g = (a^p)^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^m (dx^j)^2, \quad \nabla_{\partial_j} \partial_i = \nabla_{\partial_j}^g \partial_i = 0,$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} h &= (1 + \alpha)a^p g \otimes (\partial/\partial y^n) = g \otimes H, \\ h^* &= (1 - \alpha)a^p g \otimes (\partial/\partial y^n) = g \otimes H^*. \end{aligned}$$

Accordingly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{(m_1, \dots, m_k)}^U &= 0, \\ b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \max \mathcal{K}^{\tilde{U}} + c(m_1, \dots, m_k) (\|H\|^2 + \|H^*\|^2)/2 \\ &= (1 + \alpha^2) \{c(m_1, \dots, m_k) - b(m_1, \dots, m_k)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark that  $c(m_1, \dots, m_k) - b(m_1, \dots, m_k) \geq 0$  and the equality holds if and only if  $k = 0$ . Therefore, the above inclusion map  $\iota$  satisfies the equality in (3.11), but does not in (3.13).

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