



Article Chen Inequalities for Warped Product Pointwise Bi-Slant Submanifolds of Complex Space Forms and Its Applications

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Abstract: In this paper, by using new-concept pointwise bi-slant immersions, we derive a fundamental inequality theorem for the squared norm of the mean curvature via isometric warped-product pointwise bi-slant immersions into complex space forms, involving the constant holomorphic sectional curvature *c*, the Laplacian of the well-defined warping function, the squared norm of the warping function, and pointwise slant functions. Some applications are also given.

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1. Introduction

In the submanifolds theory, creating a relationship between extrinsic and intrinsic invariants is considered to be one of the most basic problems. Most of these relations play a notable role in submanifolds geometry. The role of immersibility and non-immersibility in studying the submanifolds geometry of a Riemannian manifold was affected by the pioneering work of the Nash embedding theorem [1], where every Riemannian manifold realizes an isometric immersion into a Euclidean space of sufficiently high codimension. This becomes a very useful object for the submanifolds theory, and was taken up by several authors (for instance, see [2-15]). Its main purpose was considered to be how Riemannian manifolds could always be treated as Riemannian submanifolds of Euclidean spaces. Inspired by this fact, Nolker [16] classified the isometric immersions of a warped product decomposition of standard spaces. Motivated by these approaches, Chen started one of his programs of research in order to study the impressibility and non-immersibility of Riemannian warped products into Riemannian manifolds, especially in Riemannian space forms (see [11,17–19]). Recently, a lot of solutions have been provided to his problems by many geometers (see [18] and references therein).

The field of study which includes the inequalities for warped products in contact metric manifolds and the Hermitian manifold is gaining importance. In particular, in [17], Chen observed the strong isometrically immersed relationship between the warping function f of a warped product $M_1 \times_f M_2$ and the norm of the mean curvature, which isometrically immersed into a real space form.

Theorem 1. Let $\widetilde{M}(c)$ be a m-dimensional real space form and let $\varphi : M = M_1 \times_f M_2$ be an isometric immersion of an n-dimensional warped product into $\widetilde{M}(c)$. Then:

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} \le \frac{n^2}{4n_2} ||H||^2 + n_1 c, \tag{1}$$

where $n_i = \dim M_i$, i = 1, 2, and Δ is the Laplacian operator of M_1 and H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . Moreover, the equality holds in (1) if, and only if, φ is mixed and totally geodesic and $n_1H_1 = n_2H_2$ such that H_1 and H_2 are partially mean curvatures of M_1 and M_2 , respectively.

In [2,5,20–31], the authors discuss the study of Einstein, contact metrics, and warped product manifolds for the above-mentioned problems. Furthermore, in regard to the collections of such inequalities, we referred to [12] and references therein. The motivation came from the study of Chen and Uddin [32], which proved the non-triviality of warped-product pointwise bi-slant submanifolds of a Kaehler manifold with supporting examples. If the sectional curvature is constant with a Kaehler metric, then it is called complex space forms. In this paper, we consider the warped-product pointwise bi-slant submanifolds which isometrically immerse into a complex space form, where we then obtain a relationship between the squared norm of the mean curvature, constant sectional curvature, the warping function, and pointwise bi-slant functions. We will announce the main result of this paper in the following.

Theorem 2. Let $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be the complex space form and let $\varphi : M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2} \to \widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be an isometric immersion from warped product pointwise bi-slant submanifolds into $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, the following inequality is satisfied:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{n^2}{4n_2} ||H||^2 + \frac{n_1c}{4} - \frac{3c}{4n_2} \left(n_1 \cos^2 \theta_1 + n_2 \cos^2 \theta_2 \right), \tag{2}$$

where θ_1 and θ_2 are pointwise slant functions along M_1 and M_2 , respectively. Furthermore, ∇ and Δ are the gradient and the Laplacian operator on $M_1^{n_1}$, respectively, and H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . The equality case holds in (2) if and only if φ is a mixed totally geodesic isometric immersion and the following satisfies

$$\frac{H_1}{H_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

where H_1 and H_2 are the mean curvature vectors along $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively.

As an application of Theorem 2 in a compact orientated Riemannian manifold with a free boundary condition, we prove that:

Theorem 3. Let $M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2}$ be a compact, orientate warped product pointwise bi-slant submanifold in a complex space form $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ such that $M_1^{n_1}$ is a n_1 -dimensional and $M_2^{n_2}$ is a n_2 -dimensional pointwise slant submanifold $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, M^n is simply a Riemannian product if, and only if:

$$||H||^{2} \ge \frac{c}{n^{2}} \left(3n_{1} \cos^{2} \theta_{1} + 3n_{2} \cos^{2} \theta_{2} - n_{1} n_{2} \right),$$
(3)

where H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . Moreover, θ_1 and θ_2 are pointwise slant functions.

By using classifications of pointwise bi-slant submanifolds which were defined in [32], we derived similar inequalities for warped product pointwise pseudo-slant submanifolds [33], warped product pointwise semi-slant submanifolds [34], and CR-warped product submanifolds [17] in a complex space form as well.

2. Preliminaries and Notations

An almost complex structure *J* and a Riemannian metric *g*, such that $J^2 = -I$ and g(JX, JY) = g(X, Y), for $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(\widetilde{M})$, where *I* denotes the identity map and $\mathfrak{X}(\widetilde{M})$ is the space containing vector fields tangent to \widetilde{M} , then (M, J, g) is an almost Hermitian manifold. If the almost complex structure

satisfied $(\widetilde{\nabla}_U J)V = 0$, for any $U, V \in \mathfrak{X}(\widetilde{M})$ and $\widetilde{\nabla}$ is a Levi-Cevita connection \widetilde{M} . In this case, \widetilde{M} is called the Kaehler manifold. A complex space form of constant holomorphic sectional curvature *c* is denoted by $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, and its curvature tensor \widetilde{R} can be expressed as:

$$\widetilde{R}(U, V, Z, W) = \frac{c}{4} \left(g(U, Z)g(V, W) - g(V, Z)g(U, W) + g(U, JZ)g(JV, W) - g(V, JZ)g(U, JW) + 2g(U, JV)g(JZ, W) \right),$$
(4)

for every $U, V, Z, W \in \mathfrak{X}(\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c))$. A Riemannian manifold \widetilde{M}^m and its submanifold M, the Gauss and Weingarten formulas are defined by $\widetilde{\nabla}_U V = \nabla_U V + h(U, V)$, and $\widetilde{\nabla}_U \xi = -A_{\xi}U + \nabla_U^{\perp}\xi$, respectively for each $U, V \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ and for the normal vector field ξ of M, where h and A_{ξ} are denoted as the second fundamental form and shape operator. They are related as $g(h(U, V), N) = g(A_N U, V)$. Now, for any $U \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ and for the normal vector field ξ of M, we have:

(i)
$$JU = PU + FU$$
, (ii) $J\xi = t\xi + f\xi$, (5)

where $PU(t\xi)$ and $FU(f\xi)$ are tangential to *M* and normal to *M*, respectively. Similarly, the equations of Gauss are given by:

$$R(U, V, Z, W) = \widetilde{R}(U, V, Z, W) + g(h(U, W), h(V, Z)) - g(h(U, Z), h(V, W)).$$
(6)

for all U, V, Z, W are tangent M, where R and \tilde{R} are defined as the curvature tensor of \tilde{M}^m and M^n , respectively.

The mean curvature H of Riemannian submanifold M^n is given by

$$H = \frac{1}{n} trace(h).$$

A submanifold M^n of Riemannian manifold \widetilde{M}^m is said to be totally umbilical and totally geodesic if h(U, V) = g(U, V)H and h(U, V) = 0, for any $U, V \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, respectively, where H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . Furthermore, if H = 0, then M^n is minimal in \widetilde{M}^m .

A new class called a "pointwise slant submanifold" has been studied in almost Hermitian manifolds by Chen-Gray [35]. They provided the following definitions of these submanifolds:

Definition 1. [35] A submanifold M^n of an almost Hermitian manifold \widetilde{M}^{2m} is a pointwise slant if, for any non-zero vector $X \in \mathfrak{X}(T_x M)$ and each given point $x \in M^n$, the angle $\theta(X)$ between JX and tangent space $T_x M$ is free from the choice of the nonzero vector X. In this case, the Wirtinger angle become a real-valued function and it is non-constant along M^n , which is defined on T^*M such that $\theta: T^*M \to \mathbb{R}$.

Chen-Gray in [35] derived a characterization for the pointwise slant submanifold, where M^n is a pointwise slant submanifold if, and only if, there exists a constant $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ such that $P^2 = -\cos^2 \theta I$, where *P* is a (1,1) tensor field and *I* is an identity map. For more classifications, we referred to [35].

Following the above concept, a pointwise bi-slant immersion was defined by Chen-Uddin in [18], where they defined it as follows:

Definition 2. A submanifold M^n of an almost Hermitian manifold \tilde{M}^{2m} is said to be a pointwise bi-slant submanifold if there exists a pair of orthogonal distributions \mathcal{D}_{θ_1} and \mathcal{D}_{θ_2} , such that:

(i) $TM^n = \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1} \oplus \mathcal{D}_{\theta_2};$ (ii) $J\mathcal{D}_{\theta_1} \perp \mathcal{D}_{\theta_2} \text{ and } J\mathcal{D}_{\theta_2} \perp \mathcal{D}_{\theta_1};$ (iii) Each distribution \mathcal{D}_{θ_i} is a pointwise slant with a slant function $\theta_i : T^*M \to \mathbb{R}$ for i = 1, 2.

Remark 1. A pointwise bi-slant submanifold is a bi-slant submanifold if each slant functions $\theta_i : T^*M \to \mathbb{R}$ for i = 1, 2. are constant along M^n (see [13]).

Remark 2. If $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ or $\theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then M^n is called a pointwise pseudo-slant submanifold (see [33]).

Remark 3. If $\theta_1 = 0$ or $\theta_2 = 0$, in this case, M^n is a coinciding pointwise semi-slant submanifold (see [14,34]).

Remark 4. If $\theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $\theta_1 = 0$, then M^n is CR-submanifold of the almost Hermitian manifold.

In this context, we shall define another important Riemannian intrinsic invariant called the scalar curvature of \widetilde{M}^m , and denoted at $\widetilde{\tau}(T_x \widetilde{M}^m)$, which, at some *x* in \widetilde{M}^m , is given:

$$\widetilde{\tau}(T_{x}\widetilde{M}^{m}) = \sum_{1 \le \alpha < \beta \le m} \widetilde{K}_{\alpha\beta},\tag{7}$$

where $\tilde{K}_{\alpha\beta} = \tilde{K}(e_{\alpha} \wedge e_{\beta})$. It is clear that the first equality (7) is congruent to the following equation, which will be frequently used in subsequent proof:

$$2\tilde{\tau}(T_x\tilde{M}^m) = \sum_{1 \le \alpha < \beta \le m} \tilde{K}_{\alpha\beta}, \ 1 \le \alpha, \beta \le n.$$
(8)

Similarly, scalar curvature $\tilde{\tau}(L_x)$ of *L*-plan is given by:

$$\widetilde{\tau}(L_x) = \sum_{1 \le \alpha < \beta \le m} \widetilde{K}_{\alpha\beta},\tag{9}$$

An orthonormal basis of the tangent space $T_x M$ is $\{e_1, \dots e_n\}$ such that $e_r = (e_{n+1}, \dots e_m)$ belong to the normal space $T^{\perp}M$. Then, we have:

$$h_{\alpha\beta}^{r} = g(h(e_{\alpha}, e_{\beta}), e_{r}),$$

$$||h||^{2} = \sum_{\alpha, \beta=1}^{n} g(h(e_{\alpha}, e_{\beta}), h(e_{\alpha}, e_{\beta}).$$
 (10)

Let $K_{\alpha\beta}$ and $\tilde{K}_{\alpha\beta}$ be the sectional curvatures of the plane section spanned by e_{α} and e_{β} at x in a submanifold M^n and a Riemannian manifold \tilde{M}^m , respectively. Thus, $K_{\alpha\beta}$ and $\tilde{K}_{\alpha\beta}$ are the intrinsic and extrinsic sectional curvatures of the span $\{e_{\alpha}, e_{\beta}\}$ at x. Thus, from the Gauss Equation (6)(i), we have:

$$2\tau(T_{x}M^{n}) = K_{\alpha\beta} = 2\widetilde{\tau}(T_{x}M^{n}) + \sum_{r=n+1}^{m} \left(h_{\alpha\alpha}^{r}h_{\beta\beta}^{r} - (h_{\alpha\beta}^{r})^{2}\right)$$
$$= \widetilde{K}_{\alpha\beta} + \sum_{r=n+1}^{m} \left(h_{\alpha\alpha}^{r}h_{\beta\beta}^{r} - (h_{\alpha\beta}^{r})^{2}\right).$$
(11)

The following consequences come from (6) and (11), as:

$$\tau(T_x M_1^{n_1}) = \sum_{r=n+1}^m \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n_1} \left(h_{ii}^r h_{jj}^r - (h_{ij}^r)^2 \right) + \tilde{\tau}(T_x M_1^{n_1}).$$
(12)

Similarly, we have:

$$\tau(T_x M_2^{n_2}) = \sum_{r=n+1}^m \sum_{n_1+1 \le a < b \le n} \left(h_{aa}^r h_{bb}^r - (h_{ab}^r)^2 \right) + \tilde{\tau}(T_x M_2^{n_2}).$$
(13)

Assume that $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$ are two Riemannian manifolds with their Riemannian metrics g_1 and g_2 , respectively. Let f be a smooth function defined on $M_1^{n_1}$. Then, the warped product manifold $M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2}$ is the manifold $M_1^{n_1} \times M_2^{n_2}$ furnished by the Riemannian metric $g = g_1 + f^2 g_2$, which defined in [36]. When considering that the $M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2}$ is the warped product manifold, then for any $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M_1)$ and $Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M_2)$, we find that:

$$\nabla_Z X = \nabla_X Z = (X \ln f) Z. \tag{14}$$

Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be an orthonormal frame for M^n ; then, summing up the vector fields such that:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n_1}\sum_{j=1}^{n_2}K(e_{\alpha}\wedge e_{\beta})=\sum_{\alpha=1}^{n_1}\sum_{\beta=1}^{n_2}\left(\left(\nabla_{e_{\alpha}}e_{\alpha}\right)\ln f-e_{\alpha}\left(e_{\beta}\ln f\right)-\left(e_{\alpha}\ln f\right)^2\right).$$

From (Equation (3.3) in [11]), the above equation implies that:

$$\sum_{\alpha=1}^{n_1} \sum_{\beta=1}^{n_2} K(e_{\alpha} \wedge e_{\beta}) = n_2 \Big(\Delta(\ln f) - ||\nabla(\ln f)||^2 \Big) = \frac{n_2 \Delta f}{f}.$$
 (15)

Remark 5. A warped product manifold $M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2}$ is said to be trivial or a simple Riemannian product manifold if the warping function f is constant.

3. Main Inequality for Warped Product Pointwise Bi-Slant Submanifolds

To obtain similar inequalities like Theorem 1, for warped product pointwise bi-slant submanifolds of complex space forms, we need to recall the following lemma.

Lemma 1. [10] Let $a_1, a_2, \ldots a_n, a_{n+1}$ be n + 1 be real numbers with

$$(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i)^2 = (n-1)(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^2 + a_{n+1}), n \ge 2$$

Then $2a_1.a_2 \ge a_3$ holds if and only if $a_1 + a_2 = a_3 = \cdots = a_k$.

Proof of Theorem 2. If substitute $X = Z = e_{\alpha}$ and $Y = W = e_{\beta}$ for $1 \le \alpha, \beta \le n$ in (4), and (6), taking summing up then

$$\sum_{\alpha,\beta=1}^{n} \widetilde{R}(e_{\alpha},e_{\beta},e_{\alpha},e_{\beta}) = \frac{c}{4} \left(n(n-1) + 3 \sum_{\alpha,\beta=1}^{n} g^{2}(Je_{\alpha},e_{\beta}) \right).$$
(16)

As M^n is a pointwise bi-slant submanifold, we defined an adapted orthonormal frame as $n = 2d_1 + 2d_2$ follows $\{e_1, e_2 = \sec \theta_1 P e_1, \dots, e_{2d_1-1}, e_{2d_1} = \sec \theta_1 P e_{2d_1-1}, \dots, e_{2d_1+1}, e_{2d_1+2} = \sec \theta_2 P e_{2d_1+1}, \dots, e_{2d_1+2d_2-1}, e_{2d_1+2d_2-1}\}$. Thus, we defined it such that $g(e_1, Je_2) = -g(Je_1, e_2) = g(Je_1, \sec \theta_1 P e_1)$, which implies that $g(e_1, Je_2) = -\sec \theta_1 g(Pe_1, Pe_1)$.

Following ((2.8) in [32]), we get $g(e_1, Je_2) = \cos \theta_1 g(e_1, e_2)$. Therefore, we easily obtained the following relation:

$$g^{2}(e_{\alpha}, Je_{\beta}) = \begin{cases} \cos^{2}\theta_{1}, \text{ for each } \alpha = 1, \dots, 2d_{1} - 1, \\ \cos^{2}\theta_{2}, \text{ for each } \beta = 2d_{1} + 1, \dots, 2d_{1} + 2d_{1} - 1. \end{cases}$$

Hence, we have:

$$\sum_{\alpha,\beta=1}^{n} g^{2}(Je_{\alpha}, e_{\beta}) = (n_{1}\cos^{2}\theta + n_{2}\cos^{2}\theta).$$
(17)

Following from (17), (16), and (6), we find that:

$$2\tau = \frac{c}{4}n(n-1) + \frac{c}{4}\left(3n_1\cos^2\theta_1 + 3n_2\cos^2\theta_2\right) + n^2||H||^2 - ||h||^2.$$
 (18)

Let us assume that:

$$\delta = 2\tau - \frac{c}{4}n(n-1) - \frac{c}{4}\left(3n_1\cos^2\theta_1 + 3n_2\cos^2\theta_2\right) - \frac{n^2}{2}||H||^2.$$
(19)

Then, from (19), and (18), we get:

$$n^{2}||H||^{2} = 2(\delta + ||h||^{2}).$$
⁽²⁰⁾

Thus, from an orthogonal frame $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$, the proceeding equation takes the new form:

$$\left(\sum_{r=n+1}^{2m}\sum_{i=1}^{n}h_{AA}^{r}\right)^{2} = 2\left(\delta + \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(h_{AA}^{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m+1}\sum_{i< j=1}^{n}(h_{AB}^{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m}\sum_{A,B=1}^{n}(h_{AB}^{r})^{2}\right).$$
(21)

This can be expressed in more detail, such as:

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(h_{11}^{n+1} + \sum_{A=2}^{n_1} h_{AA}^{n+1} + \sum_{l=n_1+1}^{n} h_{ll}^{n+1} \right)^2 = \delta + (h_{11}^{n+1})^2 + \sum_{A=2}^{n_1} (h_{AA}^{n+1})^2 + \sum_{l=n_1+1}^{n} (h_{ll}^{n+1})^2 - \sum_{2 \le B \neq q \le n_1} h_{BB}^{n+1} h_{qq}^{n+1} - \sum_{n_1+1 \le l \ne s \le n} h_{ll}^{n+1} h_{ss}^{n+1} + \sum_{A < B=1}^{n} (h_{AB}^{n+1})^2 + \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m} \sum_{A,B=1}^{n} (h_{AB}^r)^2.$$
(22)

Assume that $a_1 = h_{11}^{n+1}$, $a_2 = \sum_{A=2}^{n_1} h_{AA}^{n+1}$, and $a_3 = \sum_{l=n_1+1}^{n} h_{ll}^{n+1}$. Then, applying Lemma 1 in (22), we derive:

$$\frac{\delta}{2} + \sum_{A < B = 1}^{n} (h_{AB}^{n+1})^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m} \sum_{A,B=1}^{n} (h_{AB}^r)^2 \le \sum_{2 \le B \neq q \le n_1} h_{BB}^{n+1} h_{qq}^{n+1} + \sum_{n_1 + 1 \le l \ne s \le n} h_{ll}^{n+1} h_{ss}^{n+1}.$$
(23)

with equality holds in (23) if and only if

$$\sum_{A=2}^{n_1} h_{AA}^{n+1} = \sum_{B=n_1+1}^n h_{BB}^{n+1}.$$
(24)

On the other hand, from (15), we have:

$$\frac{n_2\Delta f}{f} = \tau - \sum_{1 \le A < B \le n_1} K(e_A \wedge e_B) - \sum_{n_1 + 1 \le l < q \le n} K(e_l \wedge e_q).$$

$$\tag{25}$$

Then from (6) and the scalar curvature for the complex space form (11), we get:

$$n_{2}\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \tau - \frac{n_{1}(n_{1}-1)c}{8} - \frac{3n_{1}c}{4}\cos^{2}\theta_{1} - \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m}\sum_{1\leq A\neq B\leq n_{1}}(h_{AA}^{r}h_{BB}^{r} - (h_{AB}^{r})^{2}) - \frac{n_{2}(n_{2}-1)c}{8} - \frac{3n_{2}c}{4}\cos^{2}\theta_{2} - \sum_{r=n+1}^{2m}\sum_{n_{1}+1\leq l\neq q\leq n}(h_{ll}^{r}h_{qq}^{r} - (h_{lq}^{r})^{2}).$$
(26)

Now from (23) and (26), we have:

$$n_2 \frac{\Delta f}{f} \le \rho - \frac{n(n-1)c}{8} + \frac{n_1 n_2 c}{4} - \frac{3n_1 c}{4} \cos^2 \theta_1 - \frac{\delta}{2} - \frac{3n_2 c}{4} \cos^2 \theta_2.$$
(27)

Using (19) in the above equation and relation $\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \Delta(\ln f) - ||\nabla \ln f||^2$, we derive:

$$n_2\Big(\Delta(\ln f) - ||\nabla \ln f||^2\Big) \le \frac{n^2}{4}||H||^2 + \frac{c}{4}\left(n_1n_2 + 3n_1\cos^2\theta_1 + 3n_2\cos^2\theta_2\right).$$
(28)

which implies inequality. The equality sign holds in (2) if, and only if, the leaving terms in (23) and (24) imply that:

$$\sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \sum_{B=1}^{n_1} h_{BB}^r = \sum_{r=n+2}^{2m} \sum_{A=n_1+1}^{n_1} h_{AA}^r = 0,$$
(29)

and $n_1H_1 = n_2H_2$, where H_1 and H_2 are partially mean curvature vectors on $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively. Moreover, also from (23), we find that

$$h_{AB}^{r} = 0, \text{ for each } 1 \leq A \leq n_{1}$$

$$n_{1} + 1 \leq B \leq n$$

$$n + 1 \leq r \leq 2m.$$
(30)

This shows that φ is a mixed, totally geodesic immersion. The converse part of (30) is true in a warped product pointwise bi-slant into the complex space form. Thus, we reached our promised result.

Consequences of Theorem 2

Inspired by the research in [6,34] and using the Remark 3 in Theorem 2 for pointwise semi-slant warped product submanifolds, we obtained:

Corollary 1. Let $\varphi : M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2} \to \widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be an isometric immersion from the warped product pointwise semi-slant submanifold into a complex space form $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, where $M_1^{n_1}$ is the holomorphic and $M_2^{n_2}$ is the pointwise slant submanifolds of $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, we have the following inequality:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{n^2}{4n_2} ||H||^2 + \frac{n_1c}{4} - \frac{3c}{4n_2} \left(n_1 + n_2 \cos^2 \theta \right), \tag{31}$$

where $n_i = \dim M_i$, i = 1, 2. Furthermore, ∇ and Δ are the gradient and the Laplacian operator on $M_1^{n_1}$, respectively, and H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . The equality sign holds in (31) if, and only if, $n_1H_1 = n_2H_2$, where H_1 and H_2 are the mean curvature vectors along $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively, and φ is a mixed, totally geodesic immersion.

From the motivation studied in [14,34], we present the following consequence of Theorem 2 by using the Remark 2 for a nontrivial warped product pointwise pseudo-slant submanifold of a complex space, such that:

Corollary 2. Let $\varphi : M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2} \to \widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be an isometric immersion from a warped product pointwise pseudo-slant submanifold into a complex space form $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, such that $M_1^{n_1}$ is a totally real and $M_2^{n_2}$ is a pointwise slant submanifold of $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, we have the following inequality:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{n^2}{4n_2}||H||^2 + \frac{n_1c}{4} - \frac{3c}{4}\cos^2\theta,$$
(32)

where $n_i = \dim M_i$, i = 1, 2. Furthermore, ∇ and Δ are the gradient and the Laplacian operator on $M_1^{n_1}$, respectively, and H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . The equality condition holds in (32) if, and only if, the following satisfies

$$\frac{H_1}{H_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

: where H_1 and H_2 are the mean curvature vectors along $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively, and φ is a mixed, totally geodesic isometric immersion.

Corollary 3. Let $\varphi : M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2} \to \widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be an isometric immersion from a warped product pointwise pseudo-slant submanifold into a complex space form $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, such that $M_1^{n_1}$ is a pointwise slant and $M_2^{n_2}$ is a totally real submanifold of $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, we have the following:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{n^2}{4n_2} ||H||^2 + \frac{n_1c}{4} - \frac{3n_1c}{4n_2} \cos^2 \theta,$$
(33)

where $n_i = \dim M_i$, i = 1, 2. Furthermore, ∇ and Δ are the gradient and the Laplacian operator on $M_1^{n_1}$, respectively, and H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . This equally holds in (33) if, and only if, φ is a mixed, totally geodesic isometric immersion and the following satisfies

$$\frac{H_1}{H_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1}$$

, where H_1 and H_2 are the mean curvature vectors along $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively.

Similarly, using Remark 4 and from [17], we got the following result from Theorem 2:

Corollary 4. Let $\varphi : M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2} \to \widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be an isometric immersion from a CR-warped product into a complex space form $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, such that $M_1^{n_1}$ is a holomorphic submanifold and $M_2^{n_2}$ is a totally real submanifold of $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, we get the following:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{n^2}{4n_2}||H||^2 + \frac{n_1c}{4} - \frac{3n_1c}{4n_2},$$
(34)

where $n_i = \dim M_i$, i = 1, 2. Furthermore, ∇ and Δ are the gradient and the Laplacian operator on $M_1^{n_1}$, respectively, and H is the mean curvature vector of M^n . The same holds in (34) if, and only if, φ is mixed and totally geodesic, and $n_1H_1 = n_2H_2$, where H_1 and H_2 are the mean curvature vectors on $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively.

In particular, if both pointwise slant functions $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$, then M^n is becomes a totally real warped product submanifold—thus, we obtain:

Corollary 5. Let $\varphi : M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2} \to \widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ be an isometric immersion from an n-dimensional, totally real warped product submanifold into a 2*m*-dimensional complex space form $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, where $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$ are totally real submanifolds of $\widetilde{M}^{2m}(c)$. Then, we have the following:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{n^2}{4n_2} ||H||^2 + \frac{n_1 c}{4}, \tag{35}$$

where $n_i = \dim M_i$, i = 1, 2 and Δ is the Laplacian operator on $M_1^{n_1}$. The same holds in (35) if, and only if, φ is mixed and totally geodesic, and the following satisfies

$$\frac{H_1}{H_2} = \frac{n_2}{n_1},$$

where H_1 and H_2 are the mean curvature vectors on $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively.

Proof of Theorem 3. In this direction, we consider the warped product pointwise bi-slant submanifolds as a compact oriented Riemannian manifold without boundary. If the inequality (2) holds:

$$\Delta(lnf) - ||\nabla \ln f||^2 \le \frac{n^2}{4n_2} ||H||^2 + \frac{c}{4n_2} \left(n_1 n_2 - 3n_1 \cos^2 \theta_1 - 3n_2 \cos^2 \theta_2 \right).$$
(36)

Since M^n is a compact oriented Riemannian submanifold without boundary, then we have following formula with respect to the volume element:

$$\int_{M^n} \Delta f dV = 0. \tag{37}$$

From the hypothesis of the theorem, M^n is a compact warped product submanifold; then from (37), we derive:

$$\int_{M} \left(\frac{c}{4n_2} \left(3n_1 \cos^2 \theta_1 + 3n_2 \cos^2 \theta_2 - n_1 n_2 \right) - \frac{1}{4n_2} \sum_{i=1}^n (h_{ii}^{n+1})^2 \right) dV \le \int_{M} (||\nabla \ln f||^2) dV.$$
(38)

Now, we assume that M^n is a Riemannian product, and the warping function f must be constant on M^n . Then, from (38), we get the inequality (3).

Conversely, let the inequality (3) hold; then from (38), we derive:

$$0 \le \int_{M^n} (||\nabla \ln f||^2) \le 0.$$

The above condition implies that $||\nabla \ln f||^2 = 0$, where this means that f is a constant function on M^n . Hence, M^n is simply a Riemannian product of $M_1^{n_1}$ and $M_2^{n_2}$, respectively. Thus, the theorem is proved. We give some other important corollaries as consequences of Theorem 2, as follows:

Corollary 6. Let $M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2}$ be a warped product pointwise bi-slant submanifold of a complex space form $\tilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ with warping function f, such that $n_1 = \dim M_1$ and $n_2 = \dim M_2$. If φ is an isometrically minimal immersion from warped product M^n into $\tilde{M}^{2m}(c)$, then we obtain:

$$\Delta(lnf) \le ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{c}{4n_2} \left(n_1 n_2 - 3n_1 \cos^2 \theta_1 - 3n_2 \cos^2 \theta_2 \right).$$
(39)

Corollary 7. Let $M^n = M_1^{n_1} \times_f M_2^{n_2}$ be a warped product pointwise bi-slant submanifold of a complex space form $\tilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ with warping function f, such that $n_1 = \dim M_1$ and $n_2 = \dim M_{\theta}$. Then, there is no existing minimal isometric immersion φ from warped product M^n into $\tilde{M}^{2m}(c)$ with:

$$\Delta(lnf) > ||\nabla \ln f||^2 + \frac{c}{4n_2} \left(n_1 n_2 - 3n_1 \cos^2 \theta_1 - 3n_2 \cos^2 \theta_2 \right).$$
(40)

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