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Isometric Actions of Quaternionic Symplectic Groups

Denote by Sp(k,l) the quaternionic symplectic group of signature (k,l). We study the deformation rigidity of the embedding $Sp(k,l) \times Sp(1) \hookrightarrow H$, where H is either Sp(k + 1, l) or Sp(k, l + 1), this is done by studying a natural nonassociative algebra \mathfrak{m} coming from the affine structure of $Sp(1)\backslash H$. We compute the automorphism group of \mathfrak{m} and as a consecuence of this, we are able to compute the isometry group of $Sp(1)\backslash H$ at least up to connected components. Using these results, we obtain a uniqueness result on the structure of $Sp(1)\backslash H$ together with an isometric left Sp(k,l)-action and classify its finite volume quotients up to finite coverings. Finally, we classify arbitrary isometric actions of Sp(k,l)into connected, complete, analytic, pseudo-Riemannian manifolds of dimension bounded by dim $(Sp(1)\backslash H)$ that admit a dense orbit.

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