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Invariant Semisimple CR Structures on the Compact Lie Groups $SU(n)$ and $SO(p, \mathbb{R})$, $5 \leq p \leq 7$

Let G_0 be a compact real Lie group of dimension N and denote by \mathfrak{g}_0 its Lie algebra. Recently J.-Y. Charbonnel and the first author [Classification des structures CR invariantes pour les groupes de Lie compacts, Journal of Lie Theory 14 (2004) 165–198] studied G_0 -invariant CR structures on G_0 . Such a structure is defined by the fiber of the identity element of G_0 which is a Lie subalgebra \mathfrak{h} of the complexification \mathfrak{g} of \mathfrak{g}_0 , having trivial intersection with \mathfrak{g}_0 . If the dimension of the CR structure is maximal, that is $\lfloor \frac{N}{2} \rfloor$, then Charbonnel and the first author showed that \mathfrak{h} is a solvable Lie algebra. In this note, we are interested in G_0 -invariant CR structures on G_0 which are defined by a semisimple Lie subalgebra and of maximal dimension. We distinguish two types of these CR structures which we shall call $CRSS$ structure of type I and of type II. In the case of the group $SU(n)$, with $n \geq 3$, we show that there exists always a $CRSS$ structure of type I, while in the case of $SO(p, \mathbb{R})$, with $5 \leq p \leq 7$, we show that a $CRSS$ structure of type II exists. We obtain from these structures for each of these groups an almost global CR embedding into a finite-dimensional complex vector space.

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