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Some types of trans-Sasakian manifolds

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Abstract

In this paper pseudo projectively flat and conharmonically flat trans-Sasakian manifold satisfying $R(X, Y).S = 0$ with vector ξ belonging to k-nullity distribution have been studied.

Further we have studied Legendre curves in trans-Sasakian manifold.

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1. Introduction

A $(2n + 1)$ dimensional, $(n \geq 1)$ almost contact metric manifold M with almost contact structure (φ, ξ, η, g) , where φ is a $(1, 1)$ tensor field, ξ is a vector field, η is a 1-form and g is a compatible Riemannian metric such that

$$\varphi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \varphi(\xi) = 0, \quad \eta \circ \varphi = 0 \quad (1.1)$$

$$g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y) \quad (1.2)$$

$$g(X, \varphi Y) = -g(\varphi X, Y), \quad g(X, \xi) = \eta(X) \quad (1.3)$$

for all $X, Y \in TM$,

is called trans-Sasakian manifold [4] if and only if

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = \alpha(g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X) + \beta(g(\varphi X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\varphi X) \quad (1.4)$$

for some smooth functions α and β on M and ∇_X is covariant differentiation along X .

In trans-Sasakian manifold the following results hold [7]

$$\nabla_X \xi = -\alpha \varphi X + \beta(X - \eta(X)\xi) \quad (1.5)$$

$$(\nabla_X \eta)Y = -\alpha g(\varphi X, Y) + \beta g(\varphi X, \varphi Y). \quad (1.6)$$

We will use the following results of [7] in the next sections.

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)\xi &= (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y) + 2\alpha\beta(\eta(Y)\varphi X - \eta(X)\varphi Y) \\ &\quad + (Y\alpha)\varphi X - (X\alpha)\varphi Y + (Y\beta)\varphi^2 X - (X\beta)\varphi^2 Y \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

$$R(\xi, X)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \xi\beta)(\eta(X)\xi - X) \quad (1.8)$$

$$2\alpha\beta + \xi\alpha = 0 \quad (1.9)$$

$$S(X, \xi) = (2n(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \xi\beta)\eta(X) - (2n - 1)X\beta - (\varphi X)\alpha \quad (1.10)$$

$$Q\xi = (2n(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \xi\beta)\xi - (2n - 1)\text{grad } \beta + \varphi(\text{grad } \alpha) \quad (1.11)$$

where R is the curvature tensor, S is the Ricci-tensor and r is the scalar curvature. Also,

$$g(QX, Y) = S(X, Y) \quad (1.12)$$

Q being the symmetric endomorphism of the tangent space at each point corresponding to the Ricci-tensor S .

When

$$\varphi(\text{grad } \alpha) = (2n - 1)\text{grad } \beta, \quad (1.13)$$

(1.10) and (1.11) reduces to

$$S(X, \xi) = 2n(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(X) \quad (1.14)$$

and

$$Q\xi = 2n(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\xi. \quad (1.15)$$

Again a trans-Sasakian manifold is said to be locally φ -symmetric [10] if

$$\varphi^2((\nabla_W R)(X, Y)Z) = 0 \quad (1.16)$$

for all vector fields X, Y, Z, W orthogonal to ξ . The k -nullity distribution [9] of a Riemannian manifold (M, g) , for a real number k , is a distribution

$$N(k) : p \rightarrow N_p(k) = [Z \in T_p M : R(X, Y)Z = k\{g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y\}] \quad (1.17)$$

for all $X, Y \in T_p M$. Hence if the characteristic vector field ξ of the contact metric manifold M^{2n+1} belongs to the k -nullity distribution then we have

$$R(X, Y)\xi = k\{\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y\} \quad (1.18)$$

$$S(X, \xi) = 2nk\eta(X). \quad (1.19)$$

We can define k-nullity distribution in a trans-Sasakian manifold by

$$\begin{aligned} N(k) : p \rightarrow N_p(k) &= [Z \in T_p M : R(X, Y)Z \\ &= k[(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y) \\ &\quad + 2\alpha\beta(g(Y, Z)\varphi X - g(X, Z)\varphi Y) \\ &\quad + (Y\alpha)\varphi X - (X\alpha)\varphi Y + (Y\beta)\varphi^2 X - (X\beta)\varphi^2 Y]]. \end{aligned} \quad (1.20)$$

So when $\xi, Z \in N(k)$ we have,

$$\eta(R(X, Y)Z) = k(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\{(g(Y, Z)\eta(X) - g(X, Z)\eta(Y))\} \quad (1.21)$$

$$S(X, Z) = (2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \xi\beta)g(X, Z) - (2n - 1)X\beta - (\varphi X)\alpha \quad (1.22)$$

$$S(X, \xi) = (2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \xi\beta)\eta(X) - (2n - 1)X\beta - (\varphi X)\alpha. \quad (1.23)$$

From (1.13) we get

$$S(X, \xi) = 2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(X) \quad (1.24)$$

and

$$Q\xi = 2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\xi \quad \text{when } \xi \in N(k). \quad (1.25)$$

A pseudo projective curvature tensor in a Riemannian manifold is defined [5] as

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{P}(X, Y)Z &= aR(X, Y)Z + b[S(Y, Z)X - S(X, Z)Y] \\ &\quad - \frac{r}{2n+1} \left[\frac{a}{2n} + b \right] [g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] \end{aligned} \quad (1.26)$$

where a, b are constants such that $a, b \neq 0$.

A conharmonic curvature tensor in a Riemannian manifold is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} H(X, Y)Z &= R(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{2n-1}[S(Y, Z)X - S(X, Z)Y \\ &\quad + g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY]. \end{aligned} \quad (1.27)$$

From [2] we know that, a 1-dimensional integral sub manifold in the contact subbundle is called a Legendre curve. If $\gamma(s)$ be a curve in a Riemannian manifold parametrized by the arc length then it is called Frenet curve of osculating order r if there exist orthogonal vector fields E_1, E_2, \dots, E_r along γ such that

$$\dot{\gamma} = E_1, \nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} E_1 = k_1 E_2, \nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} E_2 = -k_1 E_1 + k_2 E_3, \dots, \nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} E_r = -k_{r-1} E_{r-1} \quad (1.28)$$

where k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{r-1} are positive smooth functions of s and ∇ is Levi-Civita connection of M .

Also a Frenet curve of osculating order 2 with k_1 is constant is called a circle.

In this paper we have studied Legendre curve in a trans-Sasakian manifold.

2. Pseudo projectively flat trans-Sasakian manifold with $\xi \in N(k)$ satisfying $\varphi(\text{grad } \alpha) = (2n - 1)\text{grad } \beta$

Let us consider a trans-Sasakian manifold M^{2n+1} with $\xi \in N(k)$. Since the manifold is pseudo projectively flat, we have, $\tilde{P}(X, Y)Z = 0$ for all X, Y and Z .

Hence from (1.26)

$$\begin{aligned} aR(X, Y)Z &= b[S(X, Z)Y - S(Y, Z)X] \\ &\quad - \frac{r}{2n+1} \left[\frac{a}{2n} + b \right] [g(X, Z)Y - g(Y, Z)X]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Taking inner product on both sides of (2.1) by ξ and using (1.3) and (1.24) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \{ak(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}[a + 2nb]\}[(g(Y, Z)\eta(X) - g(X, Z)\eta(Y)) \\ + b[S(Y, Z)\eta(X) - S(X, Z)\eta(Y)] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

Substituting X by ξ in (2.2) we get by virtue of (1.1), (1.3), (1.13) and (1.24) that

$$\begin{aligned} -bS(Y, Z) &= \{ak(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}(a + 2nb)\}g(Y, Z) \\ &\quad - \{ak(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}(a + 2nb) + 2nbk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\}\eta(Y)\eta(Z). \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Putting $Y = Z = e_i$, where $\{e_i\}$ be an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at any point of the manifold, in (2.3) and taking summation over i , $1 \leq i \leq 2n+1$, we get

$$r = 2nk(2n+1)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) \quad \text{provided } a \neq b. \quad (2.4)$$

Now from (2.3) on using (2.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} -bS(Y, Z) = & \{ak(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \frac{2nk(2n+1)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)}{2n(2n+1)}(a + 2nb)\}g(Y, Z) \\ & - \{ak(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \frac{2nk(2n+1)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)}{2n(2n+1)}(a + 2nb) \\ & + 2nbk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\}\eta(Z)\eta(Y) \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad S(Y, Z) = 2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y, Z)$$

i.e. the manifold is a η -Einstein manifold.

Now using (2.5) in (2.1) we get

$$R(X, Y)Z = k(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y], \quad (\text{Since } a \neq 0) \quad (2.6)$$

Thus we can state the theorem

Theorem 1. A pseudo projectively flat trans-Sasakian manifold with $\xi \in N(k)$, satisfying $\varphi(\text{grad } \alpha) = (2n - 1)\text{grad } \beta$, is a space of constant curvature.

3. Conharmonically flat trans-Sasakian manifold with $\xi \in N(k)$ satisfying $R(X, Y).S = 0$

First we consider that the manifold is conharmonically flat. Then from (1.27) it follows that

$$R(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{2n-1}[S(Y, Z)X - S(X, Z)Y + g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY]. \quad (3.1)$$

Next we consider in a trans Sasakian manifold with ξ belonging to k-nullity distribution satisfying $R(X, Y).S = 0$

which gives

$$S(R(X, Y)Z, W) + S(Z, R(X, Y)W) = 0. \quad (3.2)$$

Taking $Y = Z$ and using (3.1) and (3.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & g(Z, Z)S(QX, W) - g(X, Z)S(QZ, W) \\ & + g(Z, W)S(QX, Z) - g(X, W)S(QY, Z) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Taking $Z = \xi$ in (3.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & g(\xi, \xi)S(QX, W) - g(X, \xi)S(Q\xi, W) \\ & + g(\xi, W)S(QX, \xi) - g(X, W)S(QY, \xi) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Considering $\varphi(\text{grad } \alpha) = (2n - 1)\text{grad } \beta$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(QX, W) - 4n^2k^2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2\eta(X)\eta(W) \\ + \eta(W)S(QX, \xi) - 4k^2n^2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2g(X, W) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Let λ be the eigen value of the endomorphism Q corresponding to an eigen vector X . Then

$$QX = \lambda X. \quad (3.6)$$

Now, putting (3.6) in (3.5) and using (1.12) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda^2g(X, W) - 4n^2k^2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2\eta(X)\eta(W) \\ + 2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\lambda\eta(X)\eta(W) - 4k^2n^2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2g(X, W) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Putting $W = \xi$ in (3.7) and using (1.1) and (1.3)

$$[\lambda^2 - 8n^2k^2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2 + 2nk\lambda(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)]\eta(X) = 0. \quad (3.8)$$

As $\eta(X) \neq 0$, we have

$$[\lambda^2 - 8n^2k^2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)^2 + 2nk\lambda(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)] = 0 \quad (3.9)$$

i.e.

$$\lambda_1 = -4nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_2 = 2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) \quad (3.10)$$

and

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = -2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2). \quad (3.11)$$

Again from (3.1) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (2n - 1)g(R(X, Y)Z, W) = g(Y, Z)g(QX, W) - g(X, Z)g(QY, W) \\ + S(Y, Z)g(X, W) - S(X, Z)g(Y, W). \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

Putting $X = W$ in (3.12) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2n - 1)g(R(W, Y)Z, W) = g(Y, Z)g(QW, W) - g(W, Z)g(QY, W) \\ + S(Y, Z)g(W, W) - S(W, Z)g(Y, W). \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

The sum for $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$ of the above expression for $W = e_i$ yields

$$rg(Y, Z) = 0 \quad (3.14)$$

where r is the scalar curvature of the manifold and $\{e_i\}$ is an orthonormal basis of the tangent space of M . So

$$r = 0. \quad (3.15)$$

Since the scalar curvature is trace Q , we get

$$r = m\lambda_1 + (2n - m + 1)\lambda_2 \quad (3.16)$$

where m is a positive integer which is the multiplicity of λ_1 and $(2n - m + 1)$ is the multiplicity of λ_2 .

Then

$$m(-4nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)) + (2n - m + 1)(2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)) = 0 \quad (3.17)$$

$$\text{i.e. } n = \frac{3m - 1}{2}, [2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) \neq 0]$$

Now if m is odd

$$n = 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, \dots$$

and when m is even

$$n = \frac{5}{2}, \frac{11}{2}, \frac{17}{2}, \frac{23}{2}, \dots$$

But as the manifold is odd dimensional, so dimensional of these type of trans-Sasakian manifold with $\xi \in N(k)$ will be 7, 13, 19, ...etc. which is in arithmetic progression (AP) with first term 7 and common difference 6.

So we can state the theorem

Theorem 2. In a trans-Sasakian manifold M^{2n+1} ($n \geq 1$) satisfying $\varphi(\text{grad } \alpha) = (2n - 1)\text{grad } \beta$ with ξ belonging to the k -nullity distribution, which is conharmonically flat together with $R(X, Y).S = 0$, the symmetric endomorphism Q of tangent space corresponding to S has two different non-zero eigen values $-4nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)$ and $2nk(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)$. Also dimensions of these manifolds are in AP having first term 7 and common difference 6.

4. Legendre curves in trans-Sasakian manifold

By definition of Legendre curve which is integral submanifold

$$\eta(\dot{\gamma}) = 0. \quad (4.1)$$

Differentiating $\eta(\dot{\gamma})$ along $\dot{\gamma}$, we get

$$\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\eta(\dot{\gamma}) = 0$$

$$(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\eta)(\dot{\gamma}) + \eta(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma}) = 0. \quad (4.2)$$

Now $(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\eta)(\dot{\gamma}) = \nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\eta(\dot{\gamma}) - \eta(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma})$.

Using (1.3) and $(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}g)(\dot{\gamma}, \xi) = 0$ we have

$$(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\eta)(\dot{\gamma}) = g(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\xi, \dot{\gamma}) \quad (4.3)$$

Replacing (4.3) in (4.2) we have

$$g(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\xi, \dot{\gamma}) + \eta(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma}) = 0. \quad (4.4)$$

Using (1.5) and (4.1) we get

$$g(-\alpha\varphi\dot{\gamma}, \dot{\gamma}) + g(\beta\dot{\gamma}, \dot{\gamma}) + \eta(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma}) = 0. \quad (4.5)$$

As $E_1 = \dot{\gamma}$ is orthonormal basis $g(\dot{\gamma}, \dot{\gamma}) = 1$.

By (1.3) we have

$$g(\varphi\dot{\gamma}, \dot{\gamma}) = 0.$$

Using (1.3) and the fact $g(\dot{\gamma}, \dot{\gamma}) = 1$ we obtain

$$\beta + \eta(\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma}) = 0. \quad (4.6)$$

If $\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma}$ is parallel to ξ , then

$$\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma} = -\beta\xi. \quad (4.7)$$

Also by Frenet formula (1.28) we have

$$\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma} = k_1E_2 \quad (4.8)$$

where $E_1 = \dot{\gamma}$.

From (4.7) and (4.8)

$$E_2 = -\frac{\beta}{k_1}\xi. \quad (4.9)$$

Now, differentiating along $\dot{\gamma}$ to (4.9) and using (1.5) we get

$$\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}E_2 = \frac{\alpha\beta}{k_1}\varphi\dot{\gamma} - \frac{\beta^2}{k_1}\dot{\gamma}. \quad (4.10)$$

Comparing with second equation of (1.28) we get curvature $R = \frac{\beta^2}{k_1}$ and torsion $\tau = \frac{\alpha\beta}{k_1}$ and the ratio of curvature and torsion becomes $\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$.

Thus we can state

Theorem 3. In a trans -Sasakian manifold a Legendre curve parametrized by arc length has curvature and torsion $\frac{\beta^2}{k_1}$ and $\frac{\alpha\beta}{k_1}$ provided $\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}}\dot{\gamma}$ is parallel to ξ , and ratio of curvature to torsion is $\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$.

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