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# On Generalized $(k, \mu)$ Space Forms

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### **Abstract**

In this paper we study generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space forms by considering flat, symmetry and semi-symmetry conditions. We find relations among associated functions to prove conformal flatness, projective flatness of generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space forms. Further we prove that in a projectively flat generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form the associated functions  $f_2$  and  $f_3$  are linearly dependent.

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### 1. Introduction

A generalized Sasakian space form was defined by Carriazo et al. in [1], as an almost contact metric manifold  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  whose curvature tensor R is given by

$$R = f_1 R_1 + f_2 R_2 + f_3 R_3, (1.1)$$

where  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  are some differentiable functions on  $M^{2n+1}$  and

$$R_{1}(X,Y)Z = g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y$$

$$R_{2}(X,Y)Z = g(X,\phi Z)\phi Y - g(Y,\phi Z)\phi X + 2g(X,\phi Y)\phi Z$$

$$R_{3}(X,Y)Z = \eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X + g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\xi,$$

for any vector fields X, Y, Z on  $M^{2n+1}$ .

In [5], the authors defined a generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form as an almost contact metric manifold  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  whose curvature tensor can be written

$$R = f_1 R_1 + f_2 R_2 + f_3 R_3 + f_4 R_4 + f_5 R_5 + f_6 R_6, (1.2)$$

where  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $f_3$ ,  $f_4$ ,  $f_5$ ,  $f_6$  are differentiable functions on  $M^{2n+1}$  and  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  are tensors defined as above and

$$R_{4}(X,Y)Z = g(Y,Z)hX - g(X,Z)hY + g(hY,Z)X - g(hX,Z)Y,$$

$$R_{5}(X,Y)Z = g(hY,Z)hX - g(hX,Z)hY + g(\phi hX,Z)\phi hY - g(\phi hY,Z)\phi hX,$$

$$R_{6}(X,Y)Z = \eta(X)\eta(Z)hY - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)hX + g(hX,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - g(hY,Z)\eta(X)\xi,$$

for any vector fields X, Y, Z, where  $2h = L_{\xi}\phi$  and L is the usual Lie derivative. This manifold was denoted by  $M^{2n+1}(f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6)$ .

Natural examples of generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space forms are  $(k,\mu)$  space forms and generalized Sasakian space forms. The authors in [1] proved that contact metric generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space forms are generalized  $(k, \mu)$  spaces and if dimension is greater than or equal to 5, then they are  $(k,\mu)$  spaces with constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature  $2f_6-1$ . The authors gave a method of constructing examples of generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space forms and proved that generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space forms with trans-Sasakian structure reduces to generalized Sasakian space forms. Further in [2], it is proved that under  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space form structure is preserved for dimension 3, but not in general. In this paper, we study generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space forms under the flatness, symmetry and semi symmetry conditions. The paper is organised as follows. After preliminaries in section 2, we study conformal curvature tensor in a generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space form in section 3. Projective semi symmetric and projective Ricci symmetric generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space forms are studied in section 4. We derived conditions for projective semi symmetric generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space forms to be projectively flat.

#### 2. Preliminaries

In this section, some general definitions and basic formulas are presented which will be used later. A (2n+1)-dimensional Riemannian manifold  $(M^{2n+1}, g)$  is said to be an almost contact metric manifold [3] if it admits a tensor field  $\phi$  of type (1, 1), a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying

$$\phi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \ \eta(\xi) = 1, \ \phi \xi = 0, \ \eta \circ \phi = 0,$$
 (2.1)

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2.2}$$

$$g(X, \phi Y) = -g(\phi X, Y), \ g(X, \phi X) = 0, \ g(X, \xi) = \eta(X).$$
 (2.3)

Such a manifold is said to be a contact metric manifold if  $d\eta = \Phi$ , where  $\Phi(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y)$  is the fundamental 2-form of  $M^{2n+1}$ .

It is well known that on a contact metric manifold  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , the symmetric tensor h satisfies the following relations:

$$h\xi = 0, \ h\phi = -\phi h, \ trh = 0, \ \eta \circ h = 0,$$
 (2.4)

$$\nabla_X \xi = -\phi X - \phi h X, \quad (\nabla_X \eta) Y = g(X + h X, \phi Y). \tag{2.5}$$

In a (2n+1)-dimensional  $(k,\mu)$ -contact metric manifold, we have [4]

$$h^2 = (k-1)\phi^2, \ k \le 1,$$
 (2.6)

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = g(X + hX, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)(X + hX), \tag{2.7}$$

$$(\nabla_X h)(Y) = [(1-k)g(X,\phi Y) + g(X,h\phi Y)]\xi + \eta(Y)h(\phi X + \phi hX) - \mu\eta(X)\phi hY.$$
(2.8)

**Definition 1.** A contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is said to be

- (i) Einstein if  $S(X,Y) = \lambda g(X,Y)$ , where  $\lambda$  is a constant and S is the Ricci tensor,
- (ii)  $\eta$ -Einstein if  $S(X,Y) = \alpha g(X,Y) + \beta \eta(X) \eta(Y)$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are smooth functions on  $M^{2n+1}$ .

In a (2n+1)-dimensional generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space form, the following relations hold.

$$R(X,Y)\xi = (f_1 - f_3)[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + (f_4 - f_6)[\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY], (2.9)$$

$$QX = [2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3]X + [(2n-1)f_4 - f_6]hX - [3f_2 + (2n-1)f_3]\eta(X)\xi,$$
(2.10)

$$S(X,Y) = [2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3]g(X,Y) + [(2n-1)f_4 - f_6]g(hX,Y) - [3f_2 + (2n-1)f_3]\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(2.11)

$$S(X,\xi) = 2n(f_1 - f_3)\eta(X), \tag{2.12}$$

$$r = 2n[(2n+1)f_1 + 3f_2 - 2f_3], (2.13)$$

where Q is the Ricci operator, S is the Ricci tensor and r is the scalar curvature of  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$ .

The relation between the associated functions  $f_i$ , i = 1, ..., 6 of  $M^{2n+1}(f_1, ..., f_6)$  was recently discussed by Carriazo et al. [5].

**Remark 2.1.** (Carriazo et al. [5]) A contact metric generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form  $M^{2n+1}(f_1, ..., f_6)$  is  $\eta$ -Einstein if and only if  $(2n-1)f_4 - f_6 = 0$ . In particular  $M^3(f_1, ..., f_6)$  is  $\eta$ -Einstein if and only if  $f_4 - f_6 = 0$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** (Carriazo et al. [5]) Let  $M^3(f_1, ..., f_6)$  be a contact metric generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form. If  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 1$  and  $f_4 - f_6 = 0$ , then  $f_1 + f_3$  and  $f_1 + 3f_2$  are constants and  $2f_1 + 3f_2 - f_3 = 0$  holds.

# 3. Conformal Curvature Tensor in Generalized $(k, \mu)$ Space Forms

The conformal curvature tensor C is defined by [6]

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

**Definition 1.1.** A generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form  $M^{2n+1}(f_1, ..., f_6)$  is

- (1)  $\xi$ -conformally flat if  $C(X,Y)\xi = 0$ .
- (2) conformally Ricci symmetric if C.S = 0.

**Theorem 3.1.** A (2n + 1)-dimensional generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form is  $\xi$ -conformally flat if and only if

- (i)  $2nf_1 + 3f_2 f_3 = 0$ , when k = 1.
- (ii)  $2nf_1 + 3f_2 f_3 = 0$  and  $f_4 f_6 = 0$  when  $k \neq 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$  be  $\xi$ -conformally flat. Then from (3.1), we obtain

$$R(X,Y)\xi = \frac{1}{2n-1} [S(Y,\xi)X - S(X,\xi)Y + \eta(Y)QX - \eta(X)QY] - \frac{r}{2n(2n-1)} [\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y].$$
(3.2)

We prove this theorem by considering two cases.

Case (i). If k = 1, then h = 0.

Using (2.1), (2.9), (2.10) and (2.12) in (3.2), we obtain

$$[2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3] \frac{(2n-2)}{2n-1} [\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] = 0.$$
(3.3)

which implies that

$$2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3 = 0. (3.4)$$

Case (ii). If  $k \neq 1$ , then  $h \neq 0$ .

Using (2.1), (2.9), (2.10) and (2.12) in (3.2), we obtain

$$[2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3] \frac{(2n-2)}{2n-1} [\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + (f_4 - f_6)[\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY] = 0.$$
(3.5)

If X is orthogonal to  $\xi$ , then (3.5) reduces to

$$[2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3] \frac{(2n-2)}{2n-1} \eta(Y)X + (f_4 - f_6)\eta(Y)hX = 0.$$
 (3.6)

$$[2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3] \frac{(2n-2)}{2n-1} X + (f_4 - f_6)hX = 0.$$
 (3.7)

Contracting the above with W, we get

$$[2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3] \frac{(2n-2)}{2n-1} g(X,W) + (f_4 - f_6)g(hX,W) = 0.$$
 (3.8)

Taking  $X = W = e_i$ , where  $\{e_i, i = 1, ..., 2n + 1\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $T_pM$  and taking summation over i = 1, ..., 2n + 1, we obtain

$$2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3 = 0. (3.9)$$

Using (3.9) in (3.8), we obtain  $f_4 - f_6 = 0$ .

Hence the proof.

**Theorem 3.2.** A (2n+1)-dimensional generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space form is conformally Ricci symmetric if and only if it is an Einstein manifold.

**Proof.** Suppose C.S = 0. i.e.

$$S(C(W,X)Y,Z) + S(Y,C(W,X)Z) = 0. (3.10)$$

Then taking  $W = Z = \xi$  in (3.10) and using (2.3) and (2.9)– (2.12), we obtain

$$\frac{2n(f_1 - f_3)}{(2n - 1)}S(X, Y) 
= \left[2n(f_1 - f_3)\left(\frac{a}{2n - 1}\right) - b(k - 1)\left(\frac{b}{2n - 1} - (f_4 - f_6)\right)\right]g(X, Y) 
+ \left[2n(f_1 - f_3)(f_4 - f_6) + a\left(\frac{b}{2n - 1} - (f_4 - f_6)\right)\right]g(X, hY) 
+ \left[2n(f_1 - f_3)^2(2n(f_1 - f_3) - 1) + b(k - 1)\left(\frac{b}{2n - 1} - (f_4 - f_6)\right)\right] 
+ c\frac{2n(f_1 - f_3)}{2n - 1}\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(3.11)

where

$$a = 2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3, b = (2n-1)f_4 - f_6, c = -[3f_2 + (2n-1)f_3].$$
 (3.12)

If Y is orthogonal to  $\xi$ , then (3.11) reduces to

$$\frac{2n(f_1 - f_3)}{(2n-1)}S(X,Y) = pg(X,Y) + qg(X,hY). \tag{3.13}$$

where

$$p = 2n(f_1 - f_3) \left(\frac{a}{2n - 1}\right) - b(k - 1) \left(\frac{b}{2n - 1} - (f_4 - f_6)\right),$$
  
$$q = 2n(f_1 - f_3)(f_4 - f_6) + a\left(\frac{b}{2n - 1} - (f_4 - f_6)\right).$$

Replacing Y by hY in (3.11) and using (2.6) and (2.11), we obtain

$$g(X, hY) = \frac{2n(f_1 - f_3)b - q(2n - 1)}{2n(f_1 - f_3)a - p(2n - 1)}(k - 1)g(X, Y).$$
(3.14)

Now substituting for g(X, hY) in (3.11), we obtain

$$S(X,Y) = \alpha g(X,Y), \tag{3.15}$$

where

$$\alpha = \frac{(2n-1)(p+qs)}{2n(f_1 - f_3)},$$

$$s = \frac{2n(f_1 - f_3)b - q(2n-1)}{2n(f_1 - f_3)a - p(2n-1)}(k-1).$$

Thus  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$  is an Einstein manifold.

Converse is obvious.

Hence the theorem is proved.

# 4. Projective Curvature Tensor in Generalized $(k, \mu)$ Space Forms

Let  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$  be a generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space. The projective curvature tensor P is given by [6]

$$P(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z - \frac{1}{2n} (S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y).$$
 (4.1)

Suppose R.P = 0. Then we have

$$R(\xi, X)P(Y, Z)W - P(R(\xi, X)Y, Z)W - P(Y, R(\xi, X)Z)W - P(Y, Z)R(\xi, X)W = 0,$$
(4.2)

for all vector fields X, Y, Z and W on  $M^{2n+1}$ .

Taking  $Y = W = \xi$  in (4.2) and using (2.9), (2.12) and (4.1) we get

$$(f_1 - f_3)^2 g(X, Z)\xi + (f_4 - f_6)(f_1 - f_3)g(Z, hX)\xi - \frac{(f_1 - f_3)}{2n}S(Z, X)\xi - \frac{(f_4 - f_6)}{2n}S(Z, hX)\xi = 0.$$
(4.3)

If X is orthogonal to  $\xi$ , then in view of (2.11), contraction of the above equation with  $\xi$  yields

$$S(Z,X) = \frac{1}{(f_1 - f_3)} \left( [2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 + (f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)((2n - 1)f_4 - f_6)]g(Z,X) - (f_4 - f_6)[3f_2 + (2n - 1)f_3]g(Z,hX) \right).$$

$$(4.4)$$

Replacing X by hX in (4.4) and using (2.6) and (2.11), we obtain

$$g(Z, hX) = \frac{(k-1)[(f_1 - f_3)b - c(f_4 - f_6)]}{a(f_1 - f_3) - v},$$
(4.5)

where

$$v = 2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 + (f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)((2n - 1)f_4 - f_6).$$
(4.6)

Substituting for g(Z, hX) in (4.4), we obtain

$$S(X,Z) = \gamma g(X,Z),\tag{4.7}$$

with

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{(f_1 - f_3)} \left[ v + \left( \frac{b(f_1 - f_3) - c(f_4 - f_6)}{a(f_1 - f_3) - v} \right) (k - 1)c(f_4 - f_6) \right]. \tag{4.8}$$

From (4.7), we conclude that  $M^{2n+1}(f_1, ..., f_6)$  is an Einstein manifold if  $f_1 \neq f_3$ . Using (4.7) in (4.1), we obtain

$$'P(X,Y,Z,W) = 'R(X,Y,Z,W) - \frac{\gamma}{2n}[g(Y,Z)g(X,W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W)].$$
 (4.9)

Hence we can state the following:

**Theorem 4.1.** A (2n+1)-dimensional projectively semi symmetric contact metric generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space form with  $f_1 \neq f_3$  is projectively flat if it is of sectional curvature  $\frac{\gamma}{2n}$ .

If P.S = 0, then we have

$$S(P(W,X)Y,Z) + S(Y,P(W,X)Z) = 0. (4.10)$$

Taking  $W = Y = \xi$  in (4.10) and using (2.1), (2.6), (2.12) and (4.1), we get

$$S(Z,X) = \frac{1}{(f_1 - f_3)} \left( [2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 - (f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)((2n - 1)f_4 - f_6)]g(Z,X) + (f_4 - f_6)[(1 - 2n)f_3 - 3f_2]g(Z,hX) - (f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)((2n - 1)f_4 - f_6)\eta(X)\eta(Z) \right).$$

$$(4.11)$$

If X is orthogonal to  $\xi$ , then (4.11) reduces to

$$S(Z,X) = \frac{1}{(f_1 - f_3)} \left( [2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 - (f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)((2n - 1)f_4 - f_6)]g(Z,X) - (f_4 - f_6)[3f_2 + (2n - 1)f_3]g(Z,hX) \right).$$

$$(4.12)$$

Replacing X by hX in (4.11) and using (2.6), (2.11) we obtain

$$g(Z, hX) = \frac{(k-1)[b(f_1 - f_3) - c(f_4 - f_6)]g(Z, X)}{a(f_1 - f_3) - e},$$
(4.13)

where

$$e = 2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 - (f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)((2n - 1)f_4 - f_6).$$

Substituting for g(Z, hX) in (4.11), we obtain

$$S(X,Z) = \frac{1}{(f_1 - f_3)} \left( \rho g(X,Z) \right), \tag{4.14}$$

with

$$\rho = e + \left(\frac{c(f_4 - f_6)(k - 1)[b(f_1 - f_3) - c(f_4 - f_6)]}{a(f_1 - f_3) - e}\right).$$

From (4.14), it follows that  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$  is an Einstein manifold if  $f_1 \neq f_3$ . Converse is obvoius.

Hence we can state the following.

**Theorem 4.2.** A (2n+1)-dimensional generalized  $(k, \mu)$  space form is projective Ricci symmetric if and only if it is an Einstein manifold for  $f_1 \neq f_3$ .

The following establishes relation between  $f_2$  and  $f_3$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** In a projectively flat  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$ , the associated functions  $f_2$  and  $f_3$  are linearly dependent.

**Proof.** If  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$  is projectively flat, then P(X,Y)Z=0. From (4.1), we obtain

$$R(X,Y)Z = \frac{1}{2n}[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y]. \tag{4.15}$$

Taking  $X = \phi Y$  and using (1.2) and (2.11) in (4.15), we obtain

$$f_{1}[g(Y,Z)\phi Y - g(\phi Y,Z)Y] + f_{2}[g(\phi Y,\phi Z)\phi Y - g(Y,\phi Z)\phi^{2}Y + 2g(\phi Y,\phi Y)\phi Z]$$

$$+ f_{3}[g(\phi Y,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)\phi Y] + f_{4}[g(Y,Z)h\phi Y - g(\phi Y,Z)hY$$

$$+ g(hY,Z)\phi Y - g(h\phi Y,Z)Y] + f_{5}[g(hY,Z)h\phi Y - g(h\phi Y,Z)hY$$

$$+ g(\phi h\phi Y,Z)\phi hY - g(\phi hY,Z)\phi h\phi Y] + f_{6}[g(h\phi Y,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)h\phi Y]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2n} \left( (2nf_{1} + 3f_{2} - f_{3})[g(Y,Z)\phi Y - g(\phi Y,Z)Y] \right)$$

$$- (3f_{2} + (2n-1)f_{3})\eta(Z)\eta(Y)\phi Y$$

$$+ ((2n-1)f_{4} - f_{6})[g(hY,Z)\phi Y - g(h\phi Y,Z)Y]$$

$$(4.16)$$

Taking Y = Z = U, where U is a unit vector orthogonal to  $\xi$  and using (2.1), (2.4) and (2.6) in (4.16), we obtain

$$f_{1}g(U,U)\phi U + 3f_{2}g(\phi U,\phi U)\phi U + f_{4}[g(U,U)h\phi U + g(hU,U)\phi U - g(\phi U,hU)U]$$

$$+ f_{5}[g(hU,U)h\phi U - g(\phi U,hU)hU + g(\phi h\phi U,U)\phi hU + g(hU,\phi U)\phi h\phi U]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2n} ([2nf_{1} + 3f_{2} - f_{3}]g(U,U)\phi U + [(2n-1)f_{4} - f_{6}] \times$$

$$[g(hU,U)\phi U - g(h\phi U,U)U]) \tag{4.17}$$

Let  $\{e_i, i = 1, ..., 2n + 1\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $T_pM$ . Taking  $U = e_i$  in (4.17) and summing over i = 1, ..., 2n + 1, we obtain

$$[3(2n-2)f_2 + f_3]\phi e_i + 2nf_4h\phi e_i = 0.$$
(4.18)

Contracting the above equation with respect to  $\phi e_i$  and using (2.4), we obtain

$$3(2n-2)[f_2 + f_3 = 0. (4.19)$$

Hence the proof.

Combining theorem 4.1 and theorem 4.3, we have

Corollary 4.1. Let  $M^{2n+1}(f_1,...,f_6)$  be a (2n+1)-dimensional projectively-semi-symmetric contact metric generalized  $(k,\mu)$  space form with  $f_1 \neq f_3$ . If it is of sectional curvature  $\frac{\gamma}{2n}$ , then  $f_2$  and  $f_3$  are linearly dependent.

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