### Vol. 4 (2010), pp.9-19 https://doi.org/10.56424/jts.v4i01.10428 On Weakly Symmetric and Weakly Ricci-Symmetric Almost r-Para Contact Manifolds of LP-Sasakian and Kenmotsu Type

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#### Abstract

The present paper deals with weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact manifolds of LP-Sasakian type and Kenmotsu type. We obtain necessary conditions in order that an almost r-para contact manifolds of LP-Sasakian and of Kenmotsu type be weakly symmetric and weakly Riccisymmetric, respectively.

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#### Introduction

The notions of weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric Riemannian manifolds were introduced by L. Tamassy and T. Q. Binh in 1992 and 1993 (see [9], [8]). In 2000, U. C. De, T. Q. Binh and A. A. Shaikh gave necessary conditions for the compatibility of several k-contact structures with weak symmetry and weak Ricci-symmetry [4]. In 2002, C. Özgür studied on weak symmetries of Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifolds [10] and also the author considered weakly symmetric Kenmotsu manifolds in [11]. Then N. Aktan and A. Görgülü studied in 2007 on weak symmetries of almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of P-Sasakian type [1]. Here we study weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact manifolds of LP-Sasakian type and Kenmotsu type.

#### 2. Preliminaries

A non-flat differentiable manifold  $(M^n, g)$  (n > 2) is called weakly symmetric if there exist 1-forms  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  and  $\sigma$  on M such that

$$(\nabla_X \hat{R})(Y, Z, U, V) = \alpha(X) \hat{R}(Y, Z, U, V) + \beta(Y) \hat{R}(X, Z, U, V)$$
$$+ \gamma(Z) \hat{R}(Y, X, U, V) + \delta(U) \hat{R}(Y, Z, X, V)$$
$$+ \sigma(V) \hat{R}(Y, Z, U, X)$$
(2.1)

holds for vector fields X, Y, Z, U, V on M;

where  $\hat{R}(X, Y, Z, U) = g(R(X, Y)Z, U)$ .

A differentiable manifold  $(M^n, g)$  (n > 2) is called weakly Ricci symmetric if there exist 1-forms  $\rho, \mu, \nu$  such that

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = \rho(X)S(Y, Z) + \mu(Y)S(X, Z) + \nu(Z)S(X, Y)$$
 (2.2)

holds for all vector fields X, Y, Z; where S(X, Y) = g(QX, Y),

Q be the symmetric endomorphism of the tangent space of M.

If M is weakly symmetric, then from (2.1), we obtain (see [8], [9])

$$(\nabla_X S)(Z, U) = \alpha(X)S(Z, U) + \beta(Z)S(X, U) + \delta(U)S(Z, X)$$
$$+\beta(R(X, Z)U) + \delta(R(X, U)Z) \tag{2.3}$$

An n-dimensional differentiable manifold M is called a Lorentzian Para-Sasakian (briefly LP-Sasakian) manifold ([6], [7]) if it admits a (1,1) tensor field  $\phi$ , a contravariant vector field  $\xi$ , a covariant vector field  $\eta$  and a Lorentzian metric g which satisfy

$$\eta(\xi) = -1,\tag{2.4}$$

$$\phi^2 = I + \eta(X)\xi,\tag{2.5}$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2.6}$$

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

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = [g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)]\xi + [X + \eta(X)\xi]\eta(Y), \tag{2.8}$$

where  $\nabla$  denotes the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to the Lorentzian metric g.

In a LP-Sasakian manifold, the following relations hold

$$\phi \xi = 0, \eta(\phi X) = 0 \tag{2.9}$$

$$rank\phi = n - 1. \tag{2.10}$$

Let  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  be an *n*-dimensional almost contact Riemannian manifold, where  $\phi$  is a (1,1) tensor field,  $\xi$  is the structure vector field,  $\eta$  is a 1-form and g is a Riemannian metric. It is well known  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  satisfy the following [2]:

$$\eta(\xi) = 1,\tag{2.11}$$

$$g(X,\xi) = \eta(X), \tag{2.12}$$

$$\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi,\tag{2.13}$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2.14}$$

$$\phi(\xi) = 0, \tag{2.15}$$

$$\eta(\phi X) = 0, (2.16)$$

 $\forall$  vector fields X, Y on M.

If moreover,

$$(\nabla_X \phi)Y = -g(X, \phi Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\phi(X), \tag{2.17}$$

where  $\nabla$  denotes the Riemannian connection, then  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is called a Kenmotsu manifold [5]. In a Kenmotsu manifold, the following property holds

$$\nabla_X \xi = X - \eta(X)\xi. \tag{2.18}$$

A differentiable manifold (M, g) of dimension (n + r) with tangent space T(M) is said to be an almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold (by [3]) if there exist a tensor field  $\phi$  of type (1,1) and r global vector fields  $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_r$  (called structure vector fields) such that

i) if  $\eta_1, \ldots, \eta_r$  are dual 1-forms of  $\xi_1, \ldots, \xi_r$ ; then

$$\eta_i(\xi_j) = \delta_j^i; 
g(\xi_i, X) = \eta_i(X); 
\phi^2 = I - \sum_{i=1}^r \xi_i \otimes \eta_i$$
(2.19)

ii) 
$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \sum_{i=1}^{r} \eta_i(X)\eta_i(Y), \qquad (2.20)$$

for  $X, Y \in T(M)$ .

We define an almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type as follows:

**Definition (2.1):** An almost r-para contact manifold M is said to be of LP-Sasakian type if

$$\nabla_X \xi_i = \phi \ X \tag{2.21}$$

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^r [g(X,Y) + \eta_i(X)\eta_i(Y)]\xi_i + \sum_{i=1}^r [X + \eta_i(X)\xi_i]\eta_i(Y), \quad (2.22)$$

 $\forall X, Y \in T(M).$ 

In an almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type M, the following relations hold

$$S(\xi_i, X) = (n-1) \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X)$$
 (2.23)

$$R(\xi_i, X)\xi_i = X + \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X)\xi_i$$
 (2.24)

$$g(R(\xi_i, X)Y, \xi_i) = \sum_{i=1}^r [g(X, Y)\eta_i(\xi_i) - g(\xi_i, Y)\eta_i(X)]$$
 (2.25)

for vector fields  $X, Y \in T(M)$ .

Again we define an almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type as follows:

**Definition (2.2) :** An almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold M is said to be of Kenmotsu type if

$$\nabla_X \xi_i = X - \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X)\xi_i \tag{2.26}$$

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^r [-g(X, \phi Y)\xi_i - \eta_i(Y)\phi(X)], \qquad (2.27)$$

 $\forall X, Y \in T(M).$ 

In an almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type M, the following relations hold

$$S(\xi_i, X) = -(n-1) \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X)$$
 (2.28)

$$R(\xi_i, X)\xi_i = X - \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X)\xi_i$$
 (2.29)

$$g(R(\xi_i, X)Y, \xi_i) = -g(X, Y) + \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X)\eta_i(Y)$$
 (2.30)

for vector fields  $X, Y \in T(M)$ .

Since  $\phi$  is skew symmetric and the Ricci operator Q is symmetric in an almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type (or Kenmotsu type),  $Q \phi + \phi Q = 0$  and thus the Lie derivative of S vanishes i.e.,

$$L_{\mathcal{E}_i}S = 0. \tag{2.31}$$

for any  $i = 1, \ldots, r$ .

## 3. Weakly symmetric almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type

In this section we suppose that the considered weakly symmetric manifold is almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type. Then we obtain

**Theorem 3.1:** Any weakly symmetric almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type M, satisfies  $\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$ .

**Proof**: Since the manifold is weakly symmetric, by putting  $X = \xi_i$  in (2.3), we have

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(Z, U) = \alpha(\xi_i) S(Z, U) + \beta(Z) S(\xi_i, U) + \delta(U) S(Z, \xi_i)$$
  
+ \beta(R(\xi\_i, Z)U) + \delta(R(\xi\_i, U)Z) (3.1)

By virtue of (2.21) and (2.31) we obtain

$$(\nabla_{\mathcal{E}_i} S)(Z, U) = 0 \tag{3.2}$$

From (3.1) and (3.2), we have

$$\alpha(\xi_i)S(Z,U) + \beta(Z)S(\xi_i,U) + \delta(U)S(Z,\xi_i)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(\xi_i,Z)U) + \delta(R(\xi_i,U)Z) = 0$$
 (3.3)

Putting  $Z = U = \xi_i$  in (3.3) and using (2.24), we get

$$[\alpha(\xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(3.4)

which gives

$$\alpha(\xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i) = 0. \tag{3.5}$$

This shows that  $\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$  over the vector field  $\xi_i$  on M.

Now we will show that  $\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$  holds for all vector fields on M.

Taking  $X = Z = \xi_i$  in (2.3), we obtain

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(\xi_i, U) = \alpha(\xi_i) S(\xi_i, U) + \beta(\xi_i) S(\xi_i, U) + \delta(U) S(\xi_i, \xi_i)$$
$$+\beta(R(\xi_i, \xi_i) U) + \delta(R(\xi_i, U) \xi_i)$$
(3.6)

Replacing U by X in (3.6), we get

$$\alpha(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \beta(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \delta(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(\xi_i, \xi_i)X) + \delta(R(\xi_i, X)\xi_i) = 0$$
 (3.7)

In (2.3), taking  $X = U = \xi_i$ , we have

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(Z, \xi_i) = \alpha(\xi_i) S(Z, \xi_i) + \beta(Z) S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i) S(Z, \xi_i)$$
$$+ \beta(R(\xi_i, Z)\xi_i) + \delta(R(\xi_i, \xi_i)Z)$$
(3.8)

Using (3.2) in (3.8) and replacing Z by X, we obtain

$$\alpha(\xi_i)S(X,\xi_i) + \beta(X)S(\xi_i,\xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)S(X,\xi_i) + \beta(R(\xi_i,X)\xi_i) + \delta(R(\xi_i,\xi_i)X) = 0$$
(3.9)

In (2.3), taking  $Z = U = \xi_i$ , we have

$$(\nabla_X S)(\xi_i, \xi_i) = \alpha(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X)$$
$$+\beta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i) + \delta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i)$$
(3.10)

Here also we have

$$(\nabla_X S)(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0 \tag{3.11}$$

Using (3.11) in (3.10), we obtain

$$\alpha(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i) + \delta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i) = 0$$
 (3.12)

adding (3.7), (3.9) and (3.12) and then using (3.5), we get

$$[\alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \delta(X)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(3.13)

Hence from (3.13), we obtain

$$\alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \delta(X) = 0, \quad \forall X.$$

Thus

$$\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0.$$

Hence the theorem is proved.

## 4. Weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type

In this section we suppose that the weakly Ricci-symmetric manifold is almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type. Then we have

**Theorem 4.1:** Any weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type M satisfies  $\rho + \mu + \nu = 0$ .

**Proof.** Since M is weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact manifold of LP-Sasakian type, then

by putting  $X = \xi_i$  in (2.2) we get

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(Y, Z) = \rho(\xi_i) S(Y, Z) + \mu(Y) S(\xi_i, Z) + \nu(Z) S(\xi_i, Y)$$

$$(4.1)$$

Using (3.2) in (4.1), we have

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(Y,Z) + \mu(Y)S(\xi_i,Z) + \nu(Z)S(\xi_i,Y) = 0 \tag{4.2}$$

Replacing Y and Z by  $\xi_i$  in (4.2), we obtain

$$[\rho(\xi_i) + \mu(\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0 \tag{4.3}$$

which gives

$$\rho(\xi_i) + \mu(\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i) = 0 \tag{4.4}$$

Taking  $X = Y = \xi_i$  in (2.2) and using (3.2), then putting Z = X, we get

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \mu(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \nu(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0. \tag{4.5}$$

In (2.2), taking  $X = Z = \xi_i$  and using (3.2), then replacing Y by X, we obtain

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(X,\xi_i) + \mu(X)S(\xi_i,\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)S(\xi_i,X) = 0 \tag{4.6}$$

Putting  $Y = Z = \xi_i$  in (2.2) and using (3.11), we obtain

$$\rho(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \mu(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) = 0 \tag{4.7}$$

Adding (4.5), (4.6) and (4.7) and then using (4.4), we have

$$[\rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0 \tag{4.8}$$

Now from (4.8), we have

$$\rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X) = 0, \quad \forall X.$$

Thus

$$\rho + \mu + \nu = 0.$$

Hence the theorem is proved.

## 5. Weakly symmetric almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type

Here we assume that the weakly symmetric manifold is almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type. Then we have

**Theorem 5.1 :** Any weakly symmetric almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type M satisfies  $\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$ .

**Proof.** Since M is weakly symmetric, by taking  $X = \xi_i$  in (2.3), we have

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(Z, U) = \alpha(\xi_i) S(Z, U) + \beta(Z) S(\xi_i, U) + \delta(U) S(Z, \xi_i)$$
$$+\beta(R(\xi_i, Z)U) + \delta(R(\xi_i, U)Z)$$
(5.1)

By virtue of (2.26) and (2.31), we obtain

$$(\nabla_{\mathcal{E}_i} S)(Z, U) = 0 \tag{5.2}$$

From (5.1) and (5.2), we have

$$\alpha(\xi_i)S(Z,U) + \beta(Z)S(\xi_i,U) + \delta(U)S(Z,\xi_i)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(\xi_i,Z)U) + \delta(R(\xi_i,U)Z) = 0$$
 (5.3)

Putting  $Z = U = \xi_i$  in (5.3) and using (2.29), we get

$$[\alpha(\xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(5.4)

which gives

$$\alpha(\xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i) = 0. \tag{5.5}$$

This shows that  $\alpha + \beta + \delta$  vanishes over the vector field  $\xi_i$  on M.

Now we will show that  $\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$  holds for all vector fields on M. In (2.3), taking  $X = Z = \xi_i$ , we obtain

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(\xi_i, U) = \alpha(\xi_i) S(\xi_i, U) + \beta(\xi_i) S(\xi_i, U) + \delta(U) S(\xi_i, \xi_i)$$
$$+\beta(R(\xi_i, \xi_i) U) + \delta(R(\xi_i, U) \xi_i)$$
(5.6)

By putting U = X in (5.6), we get

$$\alpha(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \beta(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \delta(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(\xi_i, \xi_i)X) + \delta(R(\xi_i, X)\xi_i) = 0$$
 (5.7)

In (2.3), taking  $X = U = \xi_i$ , we get

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(Z, \xi_i) = \alpha(\xi_i) S(Z, \xi_i) + \beta(Z) S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i) S(Z, \xi_i)$$
$$+ \beta(R(\xi_i, Z)\xi_i) + \delta(R(\xi_i, \xi_i)Z)$$
(5.8)

Using (5.2) in (5.8) and then replacing Z by X, we have

$$\alpha(\xi_i)S(X,\xi_i) + \beta(X)S(\xi_i,\xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)S(X,\xi_i)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(\xi_i,X)\xi_i) + \delta(R(\xi_i,\xi_i)X) = 0$$
 (5.9)

Again in (2.3), taking  $Z = U = \xi_i$ , we get

$$(\nabla_X S)(\xi_i, \xi_i) = \alpha(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X)$$
$$+\beta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i) + \delta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i)$$
(5.10)

Here also we have

$$(\nabla_X S)(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0 \tag{5.11}$$

Using (5.11) in (5.10), we obtain

$$\alpha(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \beta(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) + \delta(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X)$$
  
+
$$\beta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i) + \delta(R(X, \xi_i)\xi_i) = 0$$
 (5.12)

adding (5.7), (5.9) and (5.12) and then using (5.5), we get

$$[\alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \delta(X)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(5.13)

Hence from (5.13), we obtain

$$\alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \delta(X) = 0, \quad \forall X.$$

Thus

$$\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$$
.

Hence the theorem is proved.

# 6. Weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type

We suppose that the weakly Ricci-symmetric manifold is almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type. Then we have

**Theorem 6.1:** Any weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type M satisfies  $\rho + \mu + \nu = 0$ .

**Proof** . Since M is weakly Ricci-symmetric almost r-para contact Riemannian manifold of Kenmotsu type,

Putting  $X = \xi_i$  in (2.2) we get

$$(\nabla_{\xi_i} S)(Y, Z) = \rho(\xi_i) S(Y, Z) + \mu(Y) S(\xi_i, Z) + \nu(Z) S(\xi_i, Y)$$
(6.1)

Using (5.2) in (6.1), we have

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(Y,Z) + \mu(Y)S(\xi_i,Z) + \nu(Z)S(\xi_i,Y) = 0 \tag{6.2}$$

Replacing Y and Z by  $\xi_i$  in (6.2), we obtain

$$[\rho(\xi_i) + \mu(\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(6.3)

which gives

$$\rho(\xi_i) + \mu(\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i) = 0 \tag{6.4}$$

Taking  $X = Y = \xi_i$  in (2.2) and using (5.2), then replacing Z by X, we obtain

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \mu(\xi_i)S(\xi_i, X) + \nu(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(6.5)

In (2.2), taking  $X = Z = \xi_i$  and using (5.2), we get

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(Y,\xi_i) + \mu(Y)S(\xi_i,\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)S(\xi_i,Y) = 0$$
(6.6)

Replacing Y by X in (6.6), we have

$$\rho(\xi_i)S(X,\xi_i) + \mu(X)S(\xi_i,\xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)S(\xi_i,X) = 0$$
(6.7)

Putting  $Y = Z = \xi_i$  in (2.2) and using (5.11), we obtain

$$\rho(X)S(\xi_i, \xi_i) + \mu(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) + \nu(\xi_i)S(X, \xi_i) = 0$$
(6.8)

Adding (6.5), (6.7) and (6.8) and then using (6.4), we have

$$[\rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X)]S(\xi_i, \xi_i) = 0$$
(6.9)

Now from (6.9), we have

$$\rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X) = 0, \quad \forall X.$$

Thus

$$\rho + \mu + \nu = 0.$$

Hence the theorem is proved.

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