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# Second order parallel tensors on generalized Sasakian spaceforms

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**Abstract:** The object of present paper is to study the symmetric and skew symmetric properties of a second order parallel tensor in a generalized Sasakian space-form.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1926 H.Levy[1] proved that a second order symmetric parallel non-singular tensor on a space of constant curvature is a constant multiple of the metric tensor. In recent papers R.Sharma([2],[3],[4]) generalized Levy's result and also studied a second order parallel tensor on Kaehler space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature as well as contact manifolds.In 1996 U.C.De[5] studied second order parallel tensor on a P-Sasakian manifold.Recently L.Das[6] studied a second order parallel tensor on a  $\alpha$ -Sasakian manifold. In this shown that in a regular generalized Sasakian space-form admits the second order symmetric parallel covariant tensor $\alpha$  is a constant multiple of the associated metric tensor if  $\beta \neq 0$ , where  $\beta$  is a function satisfying  $\xi\beta = 0$ . Further, it is shown that on a regular generalized Sasakian space-form there is no nonzero second order skew-symmetric parallel tensor when  $\beta \neq 0$ .

#### 2. Generalized Sasakian space-forms

The nature of a Riemannian manifold mostly depends on the curvature tensor R of the manifold. It is well known that the sectional curvatures of a manifold determine curvature tensor completely. A Riemannian manifold with constant sectional curvature c is known as real-space-form and its curvature tensor is given by

$$R(X,Y)Z = c[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y].$$
(2.1)

A Sasakian manifold with constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature is a Sasakian-space-form and it has a specific form of its curvature tensor. Similar notion also holds for Kenmotsu and cosymplectic space-forms. In order to generalize such space-forms in a common frame P. Alegre, D.E. Blair and A. Carriazo introduced the notion of generalized Sasakian-spaceforms in 2004[7]. In this connection it should be mentioned that in 1989 Z.Olszak[8] studied generalized complex-space-forms and proved its existence. A generalized Sasakian-spaceform is defined in [7]: Given an almost contact metric manifold  $M(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , we say that M is generalized Sasakian-space-form if there exist three functions  $f_1, f_2, f_3$  on M such that the curvature tensor R is given by

$$R(X,Y)Z = f_1[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] + f_2[g(X,\phi Z)\phi Y - g(Y,\phi Z)\phi X + 2g(X,\phi Y)\phi Z]$$
  
+  $f_3[\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X + g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\xi],$  (2.2)

for any vector fields X,Y,Z on M. In such a case we denote the manifold as  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$ . In[7] the authors cited several examples of such manifolds. If  $f_1 = \frac{c+3}{4}$ ,  $f_2 = \frac{c-1}{4}$  and  $f_3 =$ 

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 $\frac{c-1}{4}$  then a generalized Sasakian space-form with Sasakian structure becomes Sasakian-space-form.

Generalized Sasakian-space-forms and Sasakian-space-forms have been studied by several authors,viz., [7],[9],[10],[11].Symmetry of a manifold is the most important property among its all geometrical properties. Symmetry property of manifolds have been studied by many authors, viz.,[13],[14]. As a weaker notion of locally symmetric manifolds T.Takahashi[17] introduced and studied locally  $\phi$ -symmetric Sasakian manifolds. Symmetry of a manifold primarily depends on curvature tensor and Ricci tensor of the manifold.

## 3. Preliminaries

A (2n+1)-dimensional Riemannian manifold (M, g) is called an almost contact manifold if the following results hold[9]:

$$\phi^2(X) = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \tag{3.1}$$

$$\phi \xi = 0, \eta(\xi) = 1, \tag{3.2}$$

$$g(X,\xi) = \eta(X), \eta(\phi X) = 0,$$
 (3.3)

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \qquad (3.4)$$

$$g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y), \qquad (3.5)$$

$$g(\phi X, X) = 0, \tag{3.6}$$

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = g(\nabla_X \xi, Y), \tag{3.7}$$

An almost contact metric manifold is called contact metric manifold if

$$d\eta(X,Y) = \phi(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y). \tag{3.8}$$

 $\phi$  is called the fundamental two form of the manifold. If in addition  $\xi$  is a Killing vector the manifold is called a K-contact manifold. It is well known that a contact metric manifold is K-contact if and only if  $\nabla_X \xi = -\phi X$ , for any vector field X on M. On the other hand a

normal contact metric manifold is known as Sasakian manifold. An almost contact metric manifold is Sasakian if and only if

$$(\nabla_X \phi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X, \qquad (3.9)$$

for any vector field X,Y. In 1967, D.E.Blair introduced the notion of quasi-Sasakian manifold to unify Sasakian and cosymplectic manifolds[19]. Again in 1987, Z.Olszak introduced and characterized three-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifolds[18]. An almost contact metric manifold of dimension three is quasi-Sasakian if and only if

$$\nabla_X \xi = -\beta \phi X, \tag{3.10}$$

for all  $X \in TM$  and a function  $\beta$  such that  $\xi \beta = 0$ . As a consequence of (3.10), we get

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = g(\nabla_X \xi, Y) = -\beta g(\phi X, Y), \qquad (3.11)$$

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(\xi) = -\beta g(\phi X, \xi) = 0.$$
(3.12)

Clearly such a quasi-Sasakian manifold is cosymplectic if and only if  $\beta = 0$ . It is known that[20] for a three-dimensional quasi-Sasakian manifold the Riemannian curvature tensor satisfies

$$R(X,Y)\xi = \beta^2[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + d\beta(Y)\phi X - d\beta(X)\phi Y.$$
(3.13)

For a (2n+1)-dimensional generalized Sasakian-space-form, we have

$$R(X,Y)Z = f_1[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] + f_2[g(X,\phi Z)\phi Y - g(Y,\phi Z)\phi X + 2g(X,\phi Y)\phi Z]$$
  
+  $f_3[\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X + g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\xi],$ 

(3.14)

$$R(X,Y)\xi = (f_1 - f_3)[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y], \qquad (3.15)$$

$$R(\xi, X)Y = (f_1 - f_3)[g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X], \qquad (3.16)$$

$$g(R(\xi, X)Y, \xi) = (f_1 - f_3)g(\phi X, \phi Y), \qquad (3.17)$$

$$R(\xi, X)\xi = (f_1 - f_3)\phi^2 X, \qquad (3.18)$$

$$S(X,Y) = (2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3)g(X,Y) - (3f_2 + (2n-1)f_3)\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(3.19)

$$Q\xi = 2n(f_1 - f_3)\xi, (3.20)$$

$$S(\phi X, \phi Y) = S(X, Y) + 2n(f_3 - f_1)\eta(X)\eta(Y), \qquad (3.21)$$

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$$r = 2n(2n-1)f_1 + 6nf_2 - 4nf_3.$$
(3.22)

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Here S is the Ricci tensor and r is the scalar curvature tensor of the space-forms. A generalized Sasakian space-form of dimension greater than three is said to be conformally flat if and only if Weyl-conformal curvature tensor vanishes. It is known that [11] a (2n+1)-dimensional (n > 1) generalized Sasakian space-form is conformally flat if and only if  $f_2 = 0$ .

#### 4. Second order parallel tensors

**Definition 4.1.** A tensor  $\alpha$  of second order is said to be a parallel tensor if  $\nabla \alpha = 0$ , where  $\nabla$  denotes the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to the metric tensor g.

Let  $\alpha$  be a (0,2)-symmetric tensor field on a generalized Sasakian space-form M, such that  $\nabla \alpha = 0$ . Applying the Ricci identity[2], we get

$$\nabla^2 \alpha(X, Y; Z, W) - \nabla^2 \alpha(X, Y; W, Z) = 0$$
(4.1)

which gives

$$\alpha(R(W,X)Y,Z) + \alpha(Y,R(W,X)Z) = 0, \qquad (4.2)$$

for arbitrary vector fields W,X,Y,Z on M. The substitution of  $Y = Z = \xi$  in (4.2) gives

$$\alpha(\xi, R(W, X)\xi) = 0 \tag{4.3}$$

since  $\alpha$  is symmetric. By using the expression (3.14) for generalized Sasakian spaceform and (3.18) in the above equation, we get

$$(f_1 - f_3)[g(X,\xi)\alpha(W,\xi) - g(W,\xi)\alpha(X,\xi)] = 0.$$
(4.4)

**Definition 4.2.**  $M^{2n+1}(\xi)$  is called regular if  $(f_1 - f_3 \neq 0)$ .

In order to obtain a characterization of such manifolds we consider:

**Definition 4.3.** ([16])  $\xi$  is called semi-torse forming vector field for (M,g) if, for all vector fields X:

$$R(X,\xi)\xi = 0. (4.5)$$

From (3.16) we get

$$R(X,\xi)\xi = (f_1 - f_3)(X - \eta(X)\xi)$$
(4.6)

and therefore, if  $X \in ker\eta = \xi^{\perp}$ , then  $R(X,\xi)\xi = (f_1 - f_3)X$  and we obtain:

**Proposition 1.** For  $M^{2n+1}(\xi)$  the following are equivalent: i) is regular, ii) $\xi$  is not semi-torse forming, iii) $S(\xi,\xi) \neq 0$  i.e., $\xi$  is non-degenerate with respect to S, iv)  $Q(\xi) \neq 0$  i.e., $\xi$  does not belong to the kernel of Q. In particular, if  $\xi$  is parallel ( $\nabla \xi = 0$ ) then M is not regular.

In the following we restrict to the regular case. Returning to (4.4), with  $W = \xi$  then we obtain:

$$\eta(X)\alpha(\xi,\xi) - \alpha(X,\xi) = 0. \tag{4.7}$$

Moreover, by differentiating (4.7) covariantly along Y, we get

$$[g(\nabla_Y X,\xi) + g(X,\nabla_Y \xi)]\alpha(\xi,\xi) + 2g(X,\xi)\alpha(\nabla_Y \xi,\xi) - [\alpha(\nabla_Y X,\xi) + \alpha(X,\nabla_Y \xi)] = 0.$$
(4.8)  
Put  $X = \nabla_Y X$  in (4.7)

$$g(\nabla_Y X, \xi)\alpha(\xi, \xi) - \alpha(\nabla_Y X, \xi) = 0.$$
(4.9)

From (4.8) and (4.9), we get

$$-\beta g(X,\phi Y)\alpha(\xi,\xi) - 2\beta g(X,\xi)\alpha(\phi Y,\xi) + \beta\alpha(X,\phi Y) = 0.$$
(4.10)

Replace X by  $\phi Y$  in (4.7), we have

$$\alpha(\phi Y, \xi) = 0. \tag{4.11}$$

From (4.10) and (4.11) it follows that

$$-\beta[g(X,\phi Y)\alpha(\xi,\xi) - \alpha(X,\phi Y)] = 0.$$
(4.12)

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Replacing Y by  $\phi Y$  in (4.12) and using (3.1),(4.7), we get

$$-\beta[\alpha(X,Y) - g(X,Y)\alpha(\xi,\xi)] = 0.$$
(4.13)

By differentiating (4.13) covariantly along any vector field on M, it can be easily seen that  $\alpha(\xi,\xi)$  is constant when  $\beta \neq 0$ . Hence we can state the following theorem:

**Theorem 4.1.** A parallel second order symmetric covariant tensor in a regular Generalized Sasakian space forms is a constant multiple of the metric tensor when  $\beta \neq 0$ .

Next, Let M be a generalized Sasakian space-form and  $\alpha$  be a parallel 2-form. Putting  $Y = W = \xi$  in (4.2), we obtain

$$\alpha(R(\xi, X)\xi, Z) + \alpha(\xi, R(\xi, X)Z) = 0.$$
(4.14)

Using (3.16) and (3.18) then we get,

$$(f_1 - f_3)[\alpha(\xi, Z)\eta(X) - \alpha(X, Z) + \alpha(\xi, \xi)g(X, Z) - \alpha(\xi, X)\eta(Z)] = 0,$$
(4.15)

Here also we restrict to the regular case, ie., $(f_1 - f_3) \neq 0$ . Then the above equation becomes

$$\alpha(X,Z) = \alpha(\xi,Z)\eta(X) + \alpha(\xi,\xi)g(X,Z) - \alpha(\xi,X)\eta(Z),$$
(4.16)

since  $\alpha$  is 2-form, that is  $\alpha$  is (0,2) skew-symmetric tensor. Therefore  $\alpha(\xi,\xi) = 0$  and hence (4.16) reduces to

$$\alpha(X,Z) = \alpha(\xi,Z)\eta(X) - \alpha(\xi,X)\eta(Z).$$
(4.17)

Now, let A be (1,1) tensor field which is metrically equivalent to  $\alpha$ , ie, $\alpha(X, Y) = g(AX, Y)$ . Then from (4.17) we have

$$g(AX,Z) = \eta(X)g(A\xi,Z) - \eta(Z)g(A\xi,X)$$

$$(4.18)$$

and thus

$$AX = \eta(X)A\xi - g(A\xi, X)\xi \tag{4.19}$$

Since  $\alpha$  is parallel it follows that A is parallel. Hence using  $\nabla_X \xi = -\beta \phi X$ , we get

$$\nabla_X(A\xi) = A(\nabla_X\xi) = A(-\beta\phi X). \tag{4.20}$$

Thus

$$\nabla_{\phi X}(A\xi) = A(-\beta \phi^2 X) = \beta [AX - \eta(X)A\xi].$$
(4.21)

Therefore, We have from (4.19) and (4.21)

$$\nabla_{\phi X}(A\xi) = -\beta g(A\xi, X)\xi. \tag{4.22}$$

Now, from (4.19) we get

$$g(A\xi,\xi) = 0. \tag{4.23}$$

From (4.22) and (4.23), we have

$$g(\nabla_{\phi X}(A\xi), A\xi) = 0. \tag{4.24}$$

Replacing  $\phi X$  by X in (4.24) and using  $\nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0$ , we get

$$g(\nabla_X(A\xi), A\xi) = 0, \tag{4.25}$$

for any X, and thus  $\parallel A \xi \parallel$  =constant on M. From (4.25) we deduce that

$$g(A(\nabla_X \xi), A\xi) = -g(\nabla_X \xi, A^2 \xi) = 0.$$
 (4.26)

Replace X by  $\phi X$  in the above equation, it follows that

$$g(\nabla_{\phi X}\xi, A^{2}\xi) = g(-\beta\phi^{2}X, A^{2}\xi) = 0.$$
(4.27)

 $\operatorname{So}$ 

$$g(X, A^{2}\xi) = g(\eta(X)\xi, A^{2}\xi), if\beta \neq 0$$
(4.28)

and hence

$$A^{2}\xi = - \parallel A\xi \parallel^{2} \xi \tag{4.29}$$

Differentiating the above equation covariantly along X, we obtain

$$\nabla_X (A^2 \xi) = A^2 (\nabla_X \xi) = - \parallel A \xi \parallel^2 (\nabla_X \xi),$$
(4.30)

which in turn gives

$$A^{2}(-\beta\phi X) = - \parallel A\xi \parallel^{2} (-\beta\phi X).$$
(4.31)

Replacing  $\phi X$  by X, in (4.29) to get

$$A^{2}X = - \parallel A\xi \parallel^{2} X.$$
(4.32)

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Now, if  $||A\xi|| \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{1}{||A\xi||}$  A is an almost complex structure on M. In fact,(J,g) is a Kahler structure on M. The fundamental 2-form is  $g(JX,Y) = \lambda g(AX,Y) = \lambda \alpha(X,Y)$ , with  $\lambda = \frac{1}{||A\xi||} = constant$ . But (4.19) means

$$\alpha(X,Z) = \eta(X)\alpha(\xi,Z) - \eta(Z)\alpha(\xi,X)$$
(4.33)

and thus  $\alpha$  is degenerate, which is a conradiction. Therefore  $||A\xi|| = 0$  and hence  $\alpha = 0$ . Hence we can state the following theorem:

**Theorem 4.2.** On a regular generalized Sasakian space-form there is no non-zero second order skew symmetric parallel tensor if  $\beta \neq 0$ .

**Corollary 4.1.** A locally Ricci symmetric ( $\nabla S = 0$ ) regular generalized Sasakian spaceform is an Einstein manifold.

**Remark 4.3.** The following statements for generalized Sasakian spaceform are equivalent. The manifold is (i) Einstein (ii)locally Ricci symmetric (iii) Ricci semi-symmetric that is  $R \cdot S = 0.$ 

The implication (i) $\Longrightarrow$ (ii) $\Longrightarrow$ (iii) is trivial. Now we prove the implication (iii) $\Longrightarrow$ (i) and R.S = 0 means exactly (4.2) with replaced  $\alpha$  by S that is

$$(R(X,Y) \cdot S)(U,V) = -S(R(X,Y)U,V) - S(U,R(X,Y)V).$$
(4.34)

Considering  $R \cdot S = 0$  and putting  $X = \xi$  in (4.34), we have

$$S(R(\xi, Y)U, V) + S(U, R(\xi, Y)V) = 0.$$
(4.35)

By using (3.16) and (3.19), we obtain

$$2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 g(Y, U)\eta(V) - (f_1 - f_3)\eta(U)S(Y, V) + 2n(f_1 - f_3)^2 g(Y, V)\eta(U) - (f_1 - f_3)\eta(V)S(U, Y) = 0.$$
(4.36)

Again by putting  $U = \xi$  in the above equation and by using (3.2),(3.3) and (3.19), we obtain

$$S(Y,V) = 2n(f_1 - f_3)g(Y,V).$$
(4.37)

In conclusion:

**Proposition 2.** A Ricci semi-symmetric regular generalized Sasakian spaceform is Einstein.

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