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## On pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient $\alpha$

ABSTRACT. Recently, the notion of Lorentzian almost paracontact manifolds with a coefficient  $\alpha$  has been introduced and studied by De et al. [1]. In the present paper we investigate pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient  $\alpha$ .

1. Introduction. In 1989, Matsumoto [2] introduced the notion of LP-Sasakian manifolds. Then Mihai and Rosca [3] introduced the same notion independently and they obtained several results in this manifold. In a recent paper, De, Shaikh and Sengupta [1] introduced the notion of LP-Sasakian manifolds with a coefficient  $\alpha$ , which generalizes the notion of LP-Sasakian manifolds.

In the present paper we study pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient  $\alpha$ . Here we prove that in a pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifolds with a coefficient  $\alpha$  the characteristic vector field is a concircular vector field if and only if the manifold is  $\eta$ -Einstein and pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient  $\alpha$  is a manifold of constant curvature if the scalar curvature r is a constant.

**2. Preliminaries.** Let M be the n-dimensional differential manifold endowed with a (1,1) tensor field  $\phi$ , a contravariant vector field  $\xi$ , a covariant

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vector field  $\eta$  and a Lorentzian metric g of type (0,2) such that for each point  $p \in M$ , the tensor  $g_p : T_pM \times T_pM \to R$  is a non-degenerate inner product of signature  $(-,+,+,\ldots,+)$ , where  $T_pM$  denotes the tangent vector space of M at p and R is the real number space, which satisfies

(2.1) 
$$\eta(\xi) = -1, \qquad \phi^2 X = X + \eta(X)\xi,$$

$$(2.2) g(X,\xi) = \eta(X), g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X,Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

for all vector fields X and Y. Then such a structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is termed as Lorentzian almost paracontact structure and the manifold M with the structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is called Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold M [2]. In the Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold M, the following relations hold [2]:

$$\phi \xi = 0, \qquad \eta(\phi X) = 0,$$

(2.4) 
$$\omega(X,Y) = \omega(Y,X)$$

where  $\omega(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y)$ . In the Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold M, if the relations

(2.5) 
$$(\nabla_Z \omega)(X, Y) = \alpha [(g(X, Z) + \eta(X)\eta(Z))\eta(Y) + (g(Y, Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z))\eta(X)]$$

and

(2.6) 
$$\omega(X,Y) = \frac{1}{\alpha}(\nabla_X \eta)(Y)$$

hold, where  $\nabla$  denotes the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to the Lorentzian metric g, then M is called an LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient  $\alpha$  [1]. An LP-Sasakian manifold with coefficient 1 is an LP-Sasakian manifold [2].

If a vector field V satisfies the equation of the following form:

$$\nabla_X V = \beta X + T(X)V,$$

where  $\beta$  is a non-zero scalar function and T is a covariant vector field, then V is called a torse-forming vector field [5].

In a Lorentzian manifold M, if we assume that  $\xi$  is a unit torse-forming vector field, then

(2.7) 
$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = \alpha[g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)],$$

where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero scalar function. Hence the manifold admitting a unit torse-forming vector field satisfying (2.7) is an LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient  $\alpha$ . And, if  $\eta$  satisfies

(2.8) 
$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = \varepsilon [g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)], \qquad \varepsilon^2 = 1,$$

then M is called an LSP-Sasakian manifold [2]. In particular, if  $\alpha$  satisfies (2.7) and the equation of the following form:

(2.9) 
$$\alpha(X) = P\eta(X), \qquad \alpha(X) = \nabla_X \alpha,$$

where P is a scalar function, then  $\xi$  is called a concircular vector field.

Let us consider an LP-Sasakian manifold M with the structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  and with a coefficient  $\alpha$ . Then we have the following relations [1]:

(2.10) 
$$\eta(R(X,Y)Z) = -\alpha(X)\omega(Y,Z) + \alpha(Y)\omega(X,Z) + \alpha^2[g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y)]$$

and

(2.11) 
$$S(X,\xi) = -\psi \alpha(X) + (n-1)\alpha^2 \eta(X) + \alpha(\phi X),$$

where R, S denote respectively the curvature tensor and the Ricci tensor of the manifold and  $\psi = Trace(\phi)$ .

We now state the following results, which are used in the later section.

**Lemma 2.1** ([1]). In an LP-Sasakian manifold M with a non-constant coefficient  $\alpha$ , one of the following cases occurs:

- i)  $\psi^2 = (n-1)^2$
- ii)  $\alpha(Y) = -P\eta(Y)$ ,

where  $P = \alpha(\xi)$ .

**Lemma 2.2** ([1]). In a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold  $M(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  with its structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  satisfying  $\omega(X, Y) = \frac{1}{\alpha}(\nabla_X \eta)(Y)$ , where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero scalar function, the vector field  $\xi$  is torse-forming if and only if the relation  $\psi^2 = (n-1)^2$  holds.

3. Pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold with a coefficient  $\alpha$ . Let us consider a pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold M (n > 3) with a coefficient  $\alpha$ . First suppose that  $\alpha$  is not constant. Then since the pseudo projective curvature tensor vanishes, the curvature tensor R satisfies [4]

(3.1) 
$${}^{\prime}R(X,Y,Z,W) = -\frac{b}{a}[S(Y,Z)g(X,W) - S(X,Z)g(Y,W)]$$
 
$$+ \frac{r}{n}\left[\frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{b}{a}\right][g(Y,Z)g(X,W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W)]$$

and

$$'R(X, Y, Z, W) = g(R(X, Y)Z, W)$$

where a, b are constants such that  $a, b \neq 0$  and  $a + b(n - 1) \neq 0$ , r is the scalar curvature of the manifold. Putting  $W = \xi$  in (3.1) and then using

(2.10) and (2.11), we get

$$(3.2) - \alpha(X)\omega(Y,Z) + \alpha(Y)\omega(X,Z) + \alpha^{2}[g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y)]$$

$$= -\frac{b}{a}[S(Y,Z)\eta(X) - S(X,Z)\eta(Y)]$$

$$+ \frac{r}{n} \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{b}{a} \right] [g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y)].$$

Again if we put  $X = \xi$  in (3.2) and using (2.3) and (2.11), we obtain

$$S(Y,Z) = \left[ -\frac{a}{b}\alpha^2 + \frac{ar}{bn(n-1)} + \frac{r}{n} \right] g(Y,Z)$$

$$+ \left[ -\frac{a}{b}\alpha^2 - (n-1)\alpha^2 + \frac{ar}{bn(n-1)} + \frac{r}{n} \right] \eta(Y)\eta(Z)$$

$$+ \psi\alpha(Z) - \alpha(\phi Z)\eta(Y) - \frac{a}{b}P\omega(Y,Z)$$

where  $P = \alpha(\xi)$ .

If an LP-Sasakian manifold M with the coefficient  $\alpha$  satisfies the relation

$$S(X,Y) = ag(X,Y) + b\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

where a, b are the associated functions on the manifold, then the manifold M is called an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold. Then we have [1]

(3.4) 
$$S(X,Y) = \left[\frac{r}{n-1} - \alpha^2 - \frac{P\psi}{n-1}\right] g(X,Y) + \left[\frac{r}{n-1} - n\alpha^2 - \frac{nP\psi}{n-1}\right] \eta(X)\eta(Y).$$

Putting  $X = Y = e_i$ , in (3.4), where  $\{e_i\}$  is an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at a point of the manifold and taking summation over  $1 \le i \le n$ , we get

$$(3.5) r = n(n-1)\alpha^2 + n\psi P.$$

By virtue of (3.3) and (3.4) we get

$$\left[\frac{\alpha^2}{b}(a-b) + \frac{r(b-a)}{n(n-1)b} - \frac{P\psi}{(n-1)}\right]g(Y,Z) - \psi\alpha(Z) - \alpha(\phi Z)\eta(Y) 
+ \left[\frac{\alpha^2}{b}(a-b) + \frac{r(b-a)}{n(n-1)b} - \frac{nP\psi}{(n-1)}\right]\eta(Y)\eta(Z) 
+ \frac{a}{b}P\omega(Y,Z) = 0.$$

Putting  $Y = \xi$  in (3.6), we obtain

$$\psi \alpha(Z) - \alpha(\phi Z) = -\psi P \eta(Z).$$

for all Z. Replace Z by Y in the above equation, we get

(3.7) 
$$\psi \alpha(Y) - \alpha(\phi Y) = -\psi P \eta(Y),$$

for all Y. Using (3.7) in (3.6) and then by virtue of (3.5) we get

(3.8) 
$$P\frac{a}{b} \left[ \frac{\psi}{n-1} [g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)] + \omega(Y,Z) \right] = 0.$$

If P = 0, then from (3.7) we have  $\alpha(\phi Y) = \psi \alpha(Y)$ . Thus  $\psi$  is equal to  $\pm 1$  as  $\psi$  is an eigenvalue of the matrix  $(\phi)$ . Hence, by virtue of Lemma 2.1, we get  $\alpha(Y) = 0$  for all Y and so  $\alpha$  is constant, which contradicts our assumption.

Consequently, we have  $P \neq 0$  and hence from (3.8) we get

(3.9) 
$$\frac{a}{b} \left[ \frac{\psi}{n-1} [g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)] + \omega(Y,Z) \right] = 0.$$

Putting  $Y = \phi Y$  in (3.9) and then using (2.3), we obtain

$$(3.10) \qquad \frac{a}{b} \left[ \frac{\psi}{n-1} \omega(Y,Z) + \left[ g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y) \eta(Z) \right] \right] = 0.$$

Combining (3.9) and (3.10), we get

$$\{\psi^2 - (n-1)^2\}[g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)] = 0,$$

which gives by virtue of n > 1

$$(3.11) \psi^2 = (n-1)^2.$$

Hence Lemma 2.2 proves that  $\xi$  is torse-forming.

We have

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = \beta \{ g(X, Y) + \eta(X) \eta(Y) \}.$$

Then from (2.6) we get

$$\omega(X,Y) = \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \{ g(X,Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) \} = g\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}(X + \eta(X)\xi), Y\right)$$

and  $\omega(X,Y) = g(\phi X,Y)$ .

Since q is non-singular, we have

$$\phi(X) = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}(X + \eta(X)\xi)$$

and

$$\phi^2(X) = \left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)^2 (X + \eta(X)\xi).$$

It follows from (2.1) that  $\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)^2=1$  and hence,  $\alpha=\pm\beta$  . Thus we have

$$\phi(X) = \pm (X + \eta(X)\xi).$$

By virtue of (3.7) we see that  $\alpha(Y) = -P\eta(Y)$ , where  $P = \alpha(\xi)$ . Thus, we conclude that  $\xi$  is a concircular vector field. Conversely, we suppose that

 $\xi$  is a concircular vector field. Then we have the equation of the following form:

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = \beta \{ g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) \},\$$

where  $\beta$  is a certain function and  $\nabla_X \beta = q \eta(X)$  for a certain scalar function q. Hence by virtue of (2.6) we have  $\alpha = \pm \beta$ . Thus

$$\Omega(X,Y) = \varepsilon \{ g(X,Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) \}, \qquad \varepsilon^2 = 1,$$
  
$$\psi = \varepsilon(n-1), \qquad \nabla_X \alpha = \alpha(X) = p\eta(X), \qquad p = \varepsilon q.$$

Using these relations in (3.3) and (3.7), it can be easily seen that M is  $\eta$ -Einstein. Thus we can state the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** In a pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold M (n > 1) with a non-constant coefficient  $\alpha$ , the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  is a concircular vector field if and only if M is  $\eta$ -Einstein.

Next we consider the case where the coefficient  $\alpha$  is constant. In this case the following relations hold:

(3.12) 
$$\eta(R(X,Y)Z) = \alpha^2 \{ g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y) \}$$

(3.13) 
$$S(X,\xi) = (n-1)\alpha^2 \eta(X).$$

Putting  $W = \xi$  in (3.1) and then using (3.12) and (3.13), we get

$$(3.14) \quad a \cdot \alpha^{2} [g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y)] + b[S(Y,Z)\eta(X) - S(X,Z)\eta(Y)] \\ - \frac{r}{n} \left[ \frac{a}{n-1} + b \right] [g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y)] = 0.$$

Again putting  $X = \xi$  in (3.14) we get by virtue of (3.13) that

(3.15) 
$$S(Y,Z) = \left[\frac{r}{n}\left(1 + \frac{a}{b(n-1)}\right) - \frac{a}{b}\alpha^2\right]g(Y,Z) + \frac{(a+b(n-1))}{b}\left[\frac{r}{n(n-1)} - \alpha^2\right]\eta(Y)\eta(Z)$$

Hence we can state the following:

**Theorem 3.2.** A pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold M (n > 1) with a constant coefficient  $\alpha$  is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold.

Differentiating (3.15) covariantly along X and making use of (2.6) we get

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = \frac{dr(X)}{n-1} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b(n-1)} \right) [g(Y, Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)]$$
$$+ \frac{\alpha(a+b(n-1))}{b} \left[ \frac{r}{n(n-1)} - \alpha^2 \right]$$
$$\times [\omega(X, Y)\eta(Z) + \omega(X, Z)\eta(Y)]$$

where  $dr(X) = \nabla_X r$ . This implies that

$$(\nabla_{X}S)(Y,Z) - (\nabla_{Y}S)(X,Z)$$

$$= \frac{dr(X)}{n-1} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b(n-1)} \right) [g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)]$$

$$- \frac{dr(Y)}{n-1} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b(n-1)} \right) [g(X,Z) + \eta(X)\eta(Z)]$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha(a+b(n-1))}{b} \left[ \frac{r}{n(n-1)} - \alpha^{2} \right]$$

$$\times [\omega(X,Z)\eta(Y) - \omega(Y,Z)\eta(X)].$$

On the other hand, in our case, since we have  $(\nabla_X \overline{P})(X,Y)Z = 0$ , we get  $div\overline{P} = 0$ , where "div" denotes the divergence. So for n > 1,  $div\overline{P} = 0$  gives

(3.17) 
$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y S)(X, Z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n(a+b)} \left[ \frac{a + (n-1)b}{n-1} \right] [g(Y, Z)dr(X) - g(X, Z)dr(Y)].$$

It follows from (3.16) and (3.17) that

$$\frac{1}{n(a+b)} \left[ \frac{a+(n-1)b}{n-1} \right] [g(Y,Z)dr(X) - g(X,Z)dr(Y)]$$

$$= \frac{dr(X)}{n-1} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b(n-1)} \right) [g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)]$$

$$+ \frac{dr(Y)}{n-1} \left( 1 + \frac{a}{b(n-1)} \right) [g(X,Z) + \eta(X)\eta(Z)]$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha(a+b(n-1))}{b} \left[ \frac{r}{n(n-1)} - \alpha^2 \right]$$

$$\times [\omega(X,Z)\eta(Y) + \omega(Y,Z)\eta(X)].$$

If r is constant, then from (3.18) we obtain

$$\frac{\alpha(a+b(n-1))}{b} \left[ \frac{r}{n(n-1)} - \alpha^2 \right] = 0.$$

Since  $a + b(n-1) \neq 0$ , the above equation gives

$$(3.19) r = n(n-1)\alpha^2.$$

Now substituting (3.15) in (3.1) we get

$$(3.20) 'R(X,Y,Z,W) = \alpha^2 [g(Y,Z)g(X,W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W)]$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{(a+b(n-1))}{a} \left( \frac{r}{n(n-1)} - \alpha^2 \right) \right]$$

$$\times [g(Y,W)\eta(X)\eta(Z) - g(X,W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)].$$

Hence by using (3.19) in (3.20) it follows that,

$$'R(X, Y, Z, W) = \alpha^2 [g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)].$$

This shows that the manifold is of constant curvature. Thus we can state the following:

**Theorem 3.3.** In a pseudo projectively flat LP-Sasakian manifold M (n > 1) with a constant coefficient  $\alpha$ , if the scalar curvature r is constant, then M is of constant curvature.

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