

# Geometries of Manifolds Equipped with a Ricci (Projection-Ricci) Quarter-Symmetric Connection 

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#### Abstract

We first introduce a Ricci quarter-symmetric connection and a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection, and then we investigate a Riemannian manifold admitting a Ricci (projective Ricci) quartersymmetric connection $(\mathcal{M}, g)$, and prove that a Riamannian manifold with a Ricci(projection-Ricci) quartersymmetric connection is of a constant curvature manifold. Furthermore, we derive that an Einstein manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g)$ is conformally flat under certain condition.


## 1. Introduction

The study of geometric analysis of manifolds associated with certain semi symmetric connection or with Ricci operator following some semi symmetric properties has been an active field over the past five decades. The ideas and methods of these two themes overlap and promote each other, which makes their respective research achieve amazing results.

The geometric analysis of manifolds endowed with semi symmetric connections or endowed with Ricci operator following some semi symmetric properties, almost from the inception, was regarded as an extra-ordinary difficult interesting theory.

It is well known that A. Friedman and J. A. Schouten [6], in 1924, introduced the idea of a semi-symmetric linear connection in a differentiable manifold. H. A. Hayden [14], in 1930, introduced a metric connection with a non-zero torsion on a Riemannian manifold. In 1970, K. Yano [26] considered a semi-symmetric metric connection and studied some of its properties, he proved that a Riemannian manifold is of constant curvature if and only if it admits a semi-symmetric metric connection for which the manifold is a group manifold, where a group manifold is a differentiable manifold admitting a linear connection $\nabla$ such that it satisfies the relation $R=0$ and $\nabla T=0$. The semi-symmetric metric connection $\nabla$ satisfies the relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\nabla_{Z} g(X, Y)=0, T(X, Y)=\pi(Y) x-\pi(X) Y \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

[^0]where $\pi$ is a 1 -form. In $[1,2,9,11]$, the semi-symmetric non-metric connection was studied. A semisymmetric non-metric connection is exactly a geometrical model for scalar-tensor theories of gravitation was studied in [4]. Also other types of a semi-symmetric non-metric connection were studied in [2, 5, 18].

On the one hand, the Schur's theorem of a semi-symmetric non-metric connection is well-known in [1517] based only on the second Bianchi identity. In 1975, S. Golab[8] defined and studied quarter-symmetric linear connections in differentiable manifolds. A linear connection is said to be a quarter-symmetric connection if its torsion tensor $T$ is of the form

$$
\begin{equation*}
T(X, Y)=\pi(Y) \psi X-\pi(X) \psi Y \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\psi$ is a $(1,1)$-tensor. In $[10,17]$, a projective(projective-like) invariant of a quarter-symmetric metric connections was obtained. Afterwards, some properties of several types of a quarter-symmetric metric connection were studied ([7, 11, 20, 23-25, 27-31]). Recently, Han, Fu and Zhao [12, 13] studied similar problems in Sub-Riemannian manifolds.

On the other hand, the geometries of manifolds associated with some types of a quarter-symmetric non-metric connection ( $[3,5,19]$ ), or with Ricci tensor satisfying certain condition were studied recently. As we know, for instance, that Y. J. Suh, C. A. Mantica and U. C. De [22] derived that a pesudo-Riemannian manifold is B-symmetric if and only if it is Ricci semi-symmetric; S. Mallick, A. Yildiz and U. C. De [21] investigated the geometric properties of mixed quasi-Einstein manifolds.

The so-called Ricci quarter-symmetric metric connection $\nabla$ is defined as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\nabla_{x} Y=\stackrel{o}{\nabla}_{X} Y+\pi(Y) U X-U(X, Y) P \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\stackrel{\circ}{\nabla}^{\circ}$ is the Levi-Civita connection, $U$ is the Ricci operator, $U(X, Y)$ is the Ricci tensor and $\pi(X)=g(X, P)$. This connection satisfies the relation

$$
\begin{equation*}
\nabla_{Z} g(X, Y)=0, T(X, Y)=\pi(Y) U X-\pi(X) U Y \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

The local expressions of (3) and (4) are respectively

$$
\Gamma_{i j}^{k}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
k  \tag{5}\\
i j
\end{array}\right\}+\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-U_{i j} \pi^{k}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\nabla_{k} g_{i j}=0, T_{i j}^{k}=\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

The present paper is organized as follows. Section 2 investigates a Ricci quarter-symmetric connection and studies the geometrical characteristics of a manifolds associated with this connection; Section 3 studies projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection, and we arrive at the physical properties for a Riemannian manifold with this connection.

## 2. Geometries Of Manifolds Associated With A Ricci Quarter-symmetric Connection

Let $(\mathcal{M}, g)$ be a Riemannian manifold $(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M} \geq 2), g$ be the Rieman-nian metric on $\mathcal{M}$, and $\stackrel{0}{\nabla}$ be the Levi-Civita connection with respect to $g$. Let $\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{M})$ denote the collection of all vector fields on $\mathcal{M}$.

Definition 2.1. A connection $\nabla$ is called a Ricci quarter-symmetric connection, if it satisfies

$$
\begin{align*}
\nabla_{Z} g(X, Y) & =(1-\alpha) \pi(Z) U(X, Y)+\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi(X) U(Y, Z)+\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi(Y) U(Z, X)  \tag{7}\\
T(X, Y) & =\pi(Y) U X-\pi(X) U Y
\end{align*}
$$

where $U$ is the Ricci operator and $U(X, Y)$ is the Ricci tensor, $\pi$ is a 1-form and $\alpha, \beta$ are parameters for this connection.

Then there exists a unique connection $\nabla$ in $\mathcal{M}$ given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\nabla_{x} Y=\stackrel{o}{\nabla}_{X} Y+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi(Y) U X-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi(X) U Y-\beta U(X, Y) P \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\pi(X)=g(X, P)$.
Let $\left(x^{i}\right)$ be the local coordinate, then $g, \stackrel{o}{\nabla}, \nabla, U, \pi$, and $T$ have local expressions $\left.g_{i j},,_{i j}^{k}\right\}, \Gamma_{i j}^{k}, U_{j}^{k}, \pi_{i}$ and $T_{i j}^{k}$ respectively. At the same time, the expressions (7) and (8) can be rewritten as

$$
\begin{align*}
\nabla_{k} g_{i j} & =(1-\alpha) \pi_{k} U_{i j}+\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi_{i} U_{j k}+\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi_{j} U_{i k}  \tag{9}\\
T_{i j}^{k} & =\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Gamma_{i j}^{k}=\left\{{ }_{i j}^{k}\right\}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}+\beta U_{i j} \pi^{k} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Remark 2.2. By (8), it is obvious that there holds the following.
When $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=1$, then $\nabla$ is a Ricci quarter-symmetric metric connection([20])
When $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=0$, then $\nabla$ satisfies

$$
\nabla_{k} g_{i j}=-\pi_{i} U_{j k}-\pi_{j} U_{i k}, T_{i j}^{k}=\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}
$$

This connection is a semi-symmetric non-metric connection in an Einstain manifold ([1]).
When $\alpha=1$ and $\beta=-1$, then $\nabla$ satisfies

$$
\nabla_{k} g_{i j}=-2 \pi_{i} U_{j k}-2 \pi_{j} U_{i k}, T_{i j}^{k}=\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}
$$

This connection is a semi-symmetric non-metric connection satisfying the Schur's theorem in an Einstain manifold ([15]).
From (10), the curvature tensor of $\nabla$, by a direct computation, is

$$
\begin{align*}
R_{i j k}^{l} & =K_{i j k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i}^{l} a_{j k}-\beta b_{i}^{l} U_{j k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} c_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}-\beta c_{i j k} \pi^{l}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} d_{j k}^{l} \pi_{i}-\pi_{i j} U_{k}^{l} \\
& +\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{j}^{l} a_{i k}+\beta b_{j}^{l} U_{i k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} c_{j i}^{l} \pi_{k}+\beta c_{j i k} \pi^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} d_{i k}^{l}+\pi_{j i} U_{k}^{l} \tag{11}
\end{align*}
$$

where $K_{i j k}{ }^{l}$ is a curvature tensor of Levi-Civita connection $\stackrel{\circ}{\nabla}$ and the other notations are given as follows

Let

$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{i j k}^{l}=\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i}^{l} a_{j k}+\beta b_{i}^{l} U_{j k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} c_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}+\beta c_{i j k} \pi^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} d_{j k}^{l}+\pi_{i j} U_{k}^{l} \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then we from the expression (11) get

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{i j k}^{l}=K_{i j k}^{l}-A_{i j k}^{l}+A_{j i k}^{l} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

So there exists the following

Theorem 2.3. When $A_{i j k}{ }^{l}=A_{j i k}{ }^{l}$, then the curvature tensor will keep unchanged under the connection transformation $\stackrel{\circ}{\nabla} \rightarrow \nabla$.
From the expression (10), the coefficient of dual connection $\stackrel{*}{\nabla}$ of the Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\nabla$ is

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{*}{\Gamma_{i j}^{k}}=\left\{\left\{_{i j}^{k}\right\}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}+\beta \pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i j} \pi^{k}\right. \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

By using the expression (15), the curvature tensor of dual connection $\stackrel{*}{\nabla}^{*}$ is

$$
\begin{align*}
R_{i j k}^{*} & =K_{i j k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} a_{i}^{l} U_{j k}-\beta U_{i}^{l} b_{j k}+\beta C_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} C_{i j k} \pi^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} d_{j k}^{l}+\pi_{i j} U_{k}^{l} \\
& +\frac{1+\alpha}{2} a_{j}^{l} U_{i k}+\beta U_{j}^{l} b_{i k}-\beta C_{j i}^{l} \pi_{k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} C_{j i k} \pi^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} d_{j k}^{l}-\pi_{j i} U_{k}^{l} \tag{16}
\end{align*}
$$

It is well known that if a sectional curvature at a point $P$ in a Riemannian manifold is independent of $E$ (a 2-dimensional subspace of $T_{p}(\mathcal{M})$ ), the curvature tensor is

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{i j k}^{l}=k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right) \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

In this case, if $k(p)=$ const, then the Riemannian manifold is a constant curvature manifold.
Theorem 2.4. Suppose that $(\mathcal{M}, g)(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M} \geq 3)$ is a connected Riemannian manifold associated with an isotropic Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\nabla$ with $T_{h i}^{h} \neq 0$. If there holds

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{1+\alpha}{2}+\beta=0 \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

then $(\mathcal{M}, g, \nabla)$ is of a constant curvature manifold.
Proof. Substituting the expression (17) into the second Bianchi identity of the curvature tensor of the Ricci quarter-symmetric connection, that is, there holds the following

$$
\nabla_{h} R_{i j k}^{l}+\nabla_{i} R_{j h k}^{l}+\nabla_{j} R_{h i k}^{l}=T_{h i}^{m} R_{j m k}^{l}+T_{i j}^{m} R_{h m k}^{l}+T_{j h}^{m} R_{i m k}^{l}
$$

then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \nabla_{h} k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)+\nabla_{i} k(p)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\nabla_{j} k(p)\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} g_{h k}\right) \\
& \quad+k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} \nabla_{h} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} \nabla_{h} g_{i k}+\delta_{j}^{l} \nabla_{i} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} \nabla_{i} g_{j k}+\delta_{h}^{l} \nabla_{j} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \nabla_{j} g_{h k}\right) \\
& =k(p)\left[\left(\pi_{i} U_{h}^{m}-\pi_{h} U_{i}^{m}\right)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{m k}-\delta_{m}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\left(\pi_{j} U_{i}^{m}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{m}\right)\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{m k}-\delta_{m}^{l} g_{h k}\right)\right. \\
& \left.\quad+\left(\pi_{h} U_{j}^{m}-\pi_{j} U_{h}^{m}\right)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{m k}-\delta_{m}^{l} g_{i k}\right)\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Using the expression (9), then we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \nabla_{h} k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)+\nabla_{i} k(p)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\nabla_{j} k(p)\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} g_{h k}\right) \\
& \quad+\left(\frac{3-\alpha}{2}-\beta\right) k(p)\left[\pi_{h}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} U_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} U_{i k}\right)+\pi_{i}\left(\delta_{j}^{l} U_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} U_{j k}\right)+\pi_{j}\left(\delta_{h}^{l} U_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} U_{h k}\right)\right] \\
& =k(p)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} \pi_{i} U_{h k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \pi_{h} U_{j k}-\pi_{i} U_{h}^{l} g_{j k}+\pi_{h} U_{j}^{l} g_{i k}+\delta_{h}^{l} \pi_{i} U_{j k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \pi_{j} U_{h k}-\pi_{j} U_{i}^{l} g_{h k}+\pi_{i} U_{h}^{l} g_{j k}\right. \\
& \left.\quad+\delta_{i}^{l} \pi_{h} U_{j k}-\delta_{h}^{l} \pi_{j} U_{i k}-\pi_{h} U_{j}^{l} g_{i k}+\pi_{j} U_{i}^{l} g_{h k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Contracting the indices $i$ and $l$, then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (n-2)\left[\left(g_{j k} \nabla_{h} k(p)-g_{h k} \nabla_{j} k(p)\right)+\left(\frac{3-\alpha}{2}-\beta\right) k(p)\left(\pi_{h} U_{j k}-\pi_{j} U_{h k}\right)\right] \\
& =(n-3) k(p)\left[\pi_{h} U_{j k}-\pi_{j} U_{h k}+\left(U_{i}^{i} \pi_{h}-U_{h}^{i} \pi_{i}\right) g_{j k}-\left(U_{i}^{i} \pi_{j}-U_{j}^{i} \pi_{i}\right) g_{h k}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Multiplying both sides of this expression by $g^{j k}$ and contracting the indices $j$ and $k$, then we arrive at

$$
(n-2)\left[(n-1) \nabla_{h} k(p)-\beta+\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\left(U_{h}^{i} \pi_{i}-U_{i}^{i} \pi_{h}\right) k(p)\right]=0 .
$$

From this equation above we obtain

$$
\nabla_{h} k(p)=\left(\beta+\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \frac{k(p)}{n-1} T_{h i}^{i}
$$

Consequently, from $T_{h i}^{i} \neq 0$, we know that $k(p)=$ const if and only if $\beta+\frac{1+\alpha}{2}=0$. This ends the proof of Theorem 2.4.

The Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\nabla$ satisfying the Schur's theorem is denoted by $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$. The connection $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$ can be regarded as a special type of the Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\nabla$.

By Theorem 2.4 and using (18), the expression (9) shows

$$
\begin{cases}\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}_{k} g_{i j} & =(1-\alpha) \pi_{k} U_{i j}-(1+\alpha) \pi_{i} U_{j k}-(1+\alpha) \pi_{j} U_{i k}  \tag{19}\\ T_{i j}^{k} & =\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}\end{cases}
$$

Similarly, the formula (10) for $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$ shows

$$
\stackrel{\alpha}{\Gamma^{k}}{ }_{i j}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
k  \tag{20}\\
i j
\end{array}\right\}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i j} \pi^{k}
$$

and the formula (15) for $\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{\nabla}$ shows

$$
{\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{\Gamma^{k}}{ }_{i j}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
k  \tag{21}\\
i j
\end{array}\right\}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i j} \pi^{k} .{ }^{k} .}
$$

By the expressions (20) and (21), it is obvious that there holds the following Theorem.
Theorem 2.5. The Levi-Civita connection $\stackrel{\circ}{\nabla}$ on a connected Riemannian manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g)(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M}>2)$ is the mean connection of the Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$ and its dual connection $\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{\nabla}$.

If $\alpha=-1$, then the Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$ satisfies the relation

$$
\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}_{k} g_{i j}=2 \pi_{k} U_{i j},{\stackrel{\alpha}{T^{k}}}_{i j}=\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}
$$

and the coefficient of $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$

$$
{\stackrel{\alpha}{\Gamma^{k}}{ }_{i j}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
k \\
i j
\end{array}\right\}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}, ~}_{\text {a }}
$$

This connection is considered as a geometrical model for scalar-tensor theories of gravitation in an Einstain manifold ([4]).

Theorem 2.6. Suppose that $\alpha=-1$, and the Riemannian manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g, \stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla})(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M}>2)$ is of a constant curvature manifold associated with a Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$, then the Riemannian manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g, \stackrel{o}{\nabla})$ is of a constant curvature manifold.

Proof. From the expression (18), if $\alpha=-1$, then $\beta=0$. In this case from the expressions (11) and (16), the curvature tensors of $\nabla$ and $\stackrel{*}{\nabla}$ are below

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \stackrel{\alpha}{R_{i j k}^{l}}=K_{i j k}^{l}-U_{k}^{l}\left(\pi_{i j}-\pi_{j i}\right)+\pi_{i} d_{j k}^{l}-\pi_{j} d_{i k}^{l} \\
& \alpha_{i j k}^{\alpha^{*}}
\end{aligned}
$$

respectively. From the two expressions above, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
K_{i j k}^{l}=\frac{1}{2}\left(R_{i j k}^{\alpha}+R_{i j k}^{\alpha^{*}}\right) \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

By using the constant curvature assumption in Theorem 2.6, we have

$$
R_{i j k}^{\alpha}{ }^{l}=R_{i j k}^{\alpha^{*}}{ }^{l}=k\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right),(k=\text { const }) .
$$

Hence from the expression (22), we have

$$
K_{i j k}^{l}=k\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)
$$

This means consequently that the Riemannian manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g, \stackrel{o}{\nabla})$ is of a constant curvature manifold. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.6.

Theorem 2.7. If an Einstain manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g)(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M} \geq 3)$ associated with a Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$ is a constant curvature manifold, then $(\mathcal{M}, g, \stackrel{\circ}{\nabla})$ is of a conformal flat manifold.

Proof. From the expression (11), the curvature tensor of $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$ is

$$
\begin{align*}
R_{i j k}^{\alpha} & =K_{i j k}^{l}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{j}^{l} a_{i k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i}^{l} a_{j k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{i}^{l} U_{j k}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} d_{j k}^{l} \pi_{i}-\pi_{i j} U_{k}^{l} \\
& +\frac{1+\alpha}{2} c_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{j}^{l} U_{i k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} c_{j i k} \pi^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} d_{i k}^{l}+\pi_{j i} U_{k}^{l} \tag{23}
\end{align*}
$$

And from the expression (16), the curvature tensor of $\nabla^{\alpha^{*}}$ is

$$
\begin{align*}
{\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{ }{ }^{l} l}_{l}= & K_{i j k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{i}^{l} U_{j k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{j}^{l} U_{i k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{j k} U_{i}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{i k} U_{j}^{l}+U_{k}^{l} \pi_{i j} \\
& -\frac{1+\alpha}{2} C_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} C_{i j k} \pi^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} d_{j k}^{l} \pi_{i}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} d_{i k}^{l} \pi_{j}-U_{k}^{l} \pi_{j i} \tag{24}
\end{align*}
$$

Adding the expressions (23) and (24), we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R_{i j k}^{l}}+\stackrel{R_{i j k}^{l}}{ }=2 K_{i j k}^{l}+U_{j}^{l} \gamma_{i k}-U_{i}^{l} \gamma_{j k}+U_{i k} \gamma_{j}^{l}-U_{j k} \gamma_{i}^{l} \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\gamma_{i k}=\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\left(a_{i k}-b_{i k}\right)$. Using the assumption in the Theorem 2.5 , that is, there holds

$$
\begin{equation*}
U_{i j}=\frac{k}{n} g_{i j} \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $k$ is a scalar curvature of the the Levi-Civita connection. Using this expression, from the expressions (23) and (24), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R_{i j k}^{l}}+\stackrel{R_{i j k}^{l}}{l}=2 K_{i j k}^{l}+\frac{k}{n}\left(\delta_{j}^{l} \gamma_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \gamma_{j k}+g_{i k} \gamma_{j}^{l}-g_{j k} \gamma_{i}^{l}\right) \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

Contracting the indices $i$ and $l$ w.r.t. (27), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R_{j k}}+\stackrel{\alpha}{R_{j k}}=2 K_{j k}-\frac{k}{n}(n-2) \gamma_{j k}-\frac{k}{n} g_{j k} \gamma_{l}^{l} \tag{28}
\end{equation*}
$$

Multiplying both sides of (28) by $g_{j k}$ and contracting the indices $j$ and $k$, then we arrive at

$$
\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R}+\stackrel{\alpha}{R}=2 k-2(n-2) \gamma_{l}^{l}
$$

From this expression above we have

$$
\gamma_{l}^{l}=\frac{1}{2(n-1) k}\left[2 k-\left(\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R}+\stackrel{\alpha}{R}\right)\right]
$$

Using the expression from (28) we obtain

$$
\left.\gamma_{j k}=\frac{n}{(n-2) k}\left\{2 K_{j k}-\left(\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R_{j k}}+\stackrel{\alpha}{R_{j k}}\right)-\frac{g_{j k}}{2(n-1)}\left[2 K-\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R}+\stackrel{\alpha}{R}\right)\right]\right\}
$$

Substituting this expression into (25) and putting

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \stackrel{\alpha^{\alpha}{ }^{l}}{C_{i j k}}=\stackrel{{ }^{\alpha}{ }^{l}{ }^{l}{ }_{i j k}-\frac{1}{n-2}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} R_{j k}^{\alpha}-\delta_{j}^{l} R_{i k}^{\alpha}+g_{j k}{ }^{l}{ }_{i}^{l}-g_{i k}{ }^{\alpha}{ }_{j}^{l}\right)-\frac{{ }^{\alpha}}{(n-1)(n-2)}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right), ~(n)}{ } \\
& \stackrel{\alpha^{*} l}{C_{i j k}}=\stackrel{\alpha^{*} l}{R_{i j k}}-\frac{1}{n-2}\left(\delta_{i}^{l}{ }_{R}^{\alpha_{j k}^{*}}-\delta_{j}^{l}{ }_{1}^{\alpha_{i k}^{*}}+g_{j k} \stackrel{\alpha^{*} l}{R_{i}}-g_{i k}{\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{ }{ }^{\alpha_{j}}}^{l}\right)-\frac{\stackrel{\alpha^{*}}{R}}{(n-1)(n-2)}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right) \\
& C_{i j k}^{{ }^{l}}{ }^{l}=K_{i j k}^{l}-\frac{1}{n-2}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} K_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} K_{i k}+g_{j k} K_{i}^{l}-g_{i k} K_{j}^{l}\right)-\frac{k}{(n-1)(n-2)}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

then by a direct computation, we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{\alpha_{i j k}^{l}}{C_{i j k}}+\stackrel{\alpha^{*} l}{C_{i j k}^{l}}=2 \stackrel{o_{i j k}^{l}}{l} \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

By using the constant curvature assumption of the connection $\stackrel{\alpha}{\nabla}$, we have $\stackrel{\alpha}{C_{i j k}} \stackrel{\alpha^{*} l}{C_{i j k}}=0$. Hence we arrive at

$$
\stackrel{o_{i j k}^{l}}{C_{i j}}=0 .
$$

This means consequently that the Einstain manifold is conformally flat. This confirms that Theorem 2.7 is tenable.

## 3. Geometries Of Manifolds Associated With A Projective Ricci Quarter-symmetric Connection

Definition 3.1. A connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is called a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection family, if $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is projective equivalent to a Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\nabla$.

In a Riemannian manifold, a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ satisfies the relation

$$
\begin{cases}\stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{Z} g(X, Y) & =-2 \psi(Z) g(X, Y)-\psi(X) g(Y, Z)-\psi(Y) g(X, Z)+(1-\alpha) \pi(Z) U(X, Y)  \tag{30}\\ & +\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi(X) U(Y, Z)+\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi(Y) U(X, Z) \\ T(X, Y) & =\pi(Y) U X-\pi(X) U Y\end{cases}
$$

And the coefficient of $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is

$$
\stackrel{p}{\Gamma_{i j}^{k}}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
k  \tag{31}\\
i j
\end{array}\right\}+\psi_{i} \delta_{j}^{k}+\psi_{j} \delta_{i}^{k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}-\beta U_{i j} \pi^{k}
$$

The local expression of the relation (30) is

$$
\left\{\begin{align*}
{ }^{\stackrel{p}{\nabla}}{ }_{k} g_{i j} & =-2 \psi_{k} g_{i j}-\psi_{i} g_{j k}-\psi_{j} g_{i k}+(1-\alpha) \pi_{k} U_{i j}  \tag{32}\\
& +\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi_{i} U_{j k}+\left(\beta-\frac{1+\alpha}{2}\right) \pi_{j} U_{i k} \\
T_{i j}^{k} & =\pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}
\end{align*}\right.
$$

From expression (31), the curvature tensor of $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$, by a direct computation, is

$$
\begin{align*}
{\underset{i j k}{p l}}_{R_{i j k}^{l}} & =K_{i j k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{i}^{l} b_{j k}^{p}-\beta c_{i}^{l} U_{j k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} d_{j k}^{l}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} e_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}-\beta e_{i j k} \pi^{l}+\delta_{k}^{l} \psi_{i j}-U_{k}^{l} \pi_{i j} \\
& +\delta_{j}^{l} a_{j k}^{p}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{j}^{l} b_{i k}^{p}+\beta c_{j}^{l} U_{i k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} d_{i k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} e_{j i}^{l} \pi_{k} \\
& +\beta e_{j i k} \pi^{l}-\delta_{k}^{l} \psi_{j i}+U_{k}^{l} \pi_{j i} \tag{33}
\end{align*}
$$

where $K_{i j k}{ }^{l}$ is the curvature tensor of the Levi-Civita connection $\stackrel{\circ}{\nabla}$, and the other notations are given as follows

For convenience, we set

$$
B_{i j k}^{l}=\delta_{i}^{l}{ }_{l}^{p}{ }_{j k}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{j}^{l} b_{j k}^{p}+\beta c_{i}^{l} U_{j k}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} d_{j k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi_{k} e_{i j}^{l}+\beta e_{i j k}^{p} \pi^{l}-\delta_{k}^{l} \psi_{i j}+U_{k}^{l} \pi_{i j}
$$

Then we get

$$
R_{i j k}^{l}=K_{i j k}^{l}-B_{i j k}^{l}+B_{j i k}^{l}
$$

So there exists the following
Theorem 3.2. When $B_{i j k}{ }^{l}=B_{j i k}{ }^{l}$, then the curvature tensor will keep unchanged under the connection transformation $\stackrel{\circ}{\nabla} \rightarrow \stackrel{p}{\nabla}$.

From the expression (31), the coefficient of dual connection $\nabla^{p *}$ of the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is

$$
\stackrel{\Gamma_{i j}^{k *}}{\Gamma_{i j}^{k}}=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
k  \tag{34}\\
i j
\end{array}\right\}-\psi_{i} \delta_{j}^{k}-g_{i j} \psi^{k}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} \pi^{k} U_{i j}+\beta U_{i}^{k} \pi_{j}
$$

By using the expression (34), the curvature tensor of dual connection $\nabla$ is

$$
\begin{align*}
\stackrel{p *}{R_{i j k}} & =K_{i j k}^{l}-a_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} U_{j k} b_{i}^{l}-\beta c_{j k}^{p} U_{i}^{l}-\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{i} d_{j k}^{l}-\frac{1+\alpha}{2} e_{i j k}^{p} \pi^{l}+\beta e_{i j}^{l} \pi_{k}^{p} \\
& -\delta_{k}^{l} \psi_{i j}+U_{k}^{l} \pi_{i j}+g_{i k} a_{j}^{l}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} U_{i k} b_{j}^{l}+\beta c_{i k}^{p} U_{j}^{l}+\frac{1-\alpha}{2} \pi_{j} d_{i k}^{l}+\frac{1+\alpha}{2} e_{j i k}^{p} \pi^{l} \\
& -\beta e_{j i}^{l} \pi_{k}+\delta_{k}^{l} \psi_{j i}-U_{k}^{l} \pi_{j i} \tag{35}
\end{align*}
$$

Theorem 3.3. Suppose that $(\mathcal{M}, g)(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M} \geq 3)$ is a connected Riemannian manifold associated with an isotropic projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$. If there holds

$$
\begin{equation*}
\psi_{h}=\frac{1}{n-1}\left(\frac{1+\alpha}{2}+\beta\right) T_{l h^{\prime}}^{l} \tag{36}
\end{equation*}
$$

then $(\mathcal{M}, g, \stackrel{p}{\nabla})$ is a constant curvature manifold(It is the so-called Schur's theorem of the projective Ricci quartersymmetric connection).

Proof. Substituting the expression (15) into the second Bianchi identity of the curvature tensor of the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection, that is, there holds

$$
\stackrel{p}{\nabla_{h} R_{i j k}}{ }^{l}+\stackrel{p}{\nabla_{i} R_{j h k}}{ }^{l}+\stackrel{p}{\nabla_{j}} R_{h i k}^{l}=\stackrel{p}{T_{h i}^{m} R_{j m k}}{ }^{l}+\stackrel{p}{T_{i j}^{m}} R_{h m k}^{l}+\stackrel{p}{T_{j h}^{m}} R_{i m k}^{p} l
$$

then we get

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{h} k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)+\stackrel{p}{\nabla_{i} k(p)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\stackrel{p}{\nabla_{j} k(p)\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} g_{h k}\right)}} \begin{array}{l}
\quad+k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} \nabla_{h} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} \nabla_{h} g_{i k}+\delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{\nabla_{i}} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l}{ }_{i} g_{j k}+\delta_{h}^{l} \nabla_{j}^{p} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \nabla_{j} g_{h k}\right) \\
= \\
\quad k(p)\left[\left(\pi_{i} U_{h}^{m}-\pi_{h} U_{i}^{m}\right)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{m k}-\delta_{m}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\left(\pi_{j} U_{i}^{m}-\pi_{i} U_{j}^{m}\right)\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{m k}-\delta_{m}^{l} g_{h k}\right)\right. \\
\left.\quad+\left(\pi_{h} U_{j}^{m}-\pi_{j} U_{h}^{m}\right)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{m k}-\delta_{m}^{l} g_{i k}\right)\right]
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

Using the expression (32), then we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{h} k(p)\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)+\stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{i} k(p)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{j} k(p)\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} g_{h k}\right) \\
& -k(p)\left\{\psi_{h}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)+\psi_{i}\left(\delta_{j}^{l} g_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} g_{j k}\right)+\psi_{j}\left(\delta_{h}^{l} g_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} g_{h k}\right)\right. \\
& \left.+\left(\frac{3-\alpha}{2}-\beta\right) k(p)\left[\pi_{h}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} U_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} U_{i k}\right)+\pi_{i}\left(\delta_{j}^{l} U_{h k}-\delta_{h}^{l} U_{j k}\right)+\pi_{j}\left(\delta_{h}^{l} U_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} U_{h k}\right)\right]\right\} \\
& =k(p)\left(\delta_{j}^{l} \pi_{i} U_{h k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \pi_{h} U_{j k}-\pi_{i} U_{h}^{l} g_{j k}+\pi_{h} U_{i}^{l} g_{j k}+\delta_{h}^{l} \pi_{j} U_{i k}-\delta_{h}^{l} \pi_{i} U_{j k}-\pi_{j} U_{i}^{l} g_{h k}+\pi_{i} U_{j}^{l} g_{h k}\right. \\
& \left.+\delta_{i}^{l} \pi_{h} U_{j k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \pi_{j} U_{h k}-\pi_{h} U_{j}^{l} g_{i k}+\pi_{j} U_{h}^{l} g_{i k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Contracting the indices $i$ and $l$, then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& (n-2)\left[\left(g_{j k} \stackrel{p}{\nabla}{ }_{h} k(p)-g_{h k} \stackrel{p}{\nabla} k(p)\right)-k(p)\left(\psi_{h} g_{j k}-\psi_{j} g_{h k}-\left(\frac{3-\alpha}{2}-\beta\right)\left(\pi_{h} U_{j k}-\pi_{j} U_{h k}\right)\right)\right] \\
& =k(p)\left[(n-3)\left(\pi_{h} U_{j k}-\pi_{j} U_{h k}\right)+\left(U_{i}^{i} \pi_{h}-U_{h}^{i} \pi_{i}\right) g_{j k}-\left(U_{i}^{i} \pi_{j}-U_{j}^{i} \pi_{i}\right) g_{h k}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

Multiplying both sides of this expression by $g^{j k}$, then we arrive at

$$
(n-1) \stackrel{p}{\nabla_{h}} k(p)-k(p)\left[(n-1) \psi_{h}-\left(\frac{3-\alpha}{2}-\beta\right)\left(\pi_{h} U_{i}^{i}-U_{h}^{i} \pi_{i}\right)\right]=2 k(p)\left(\pi_{h} U_{i}^{i}-U_{h}^{i} \pi_{i}\right)
$$

From this expression, we have

$$
\stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{h} k(p)-k(p)\left[\psi_{h}-\frac{1}{n-1}\left(\frac{1+\alpha}{2}+\beta\right) T_{h i}^{i}\right]=0
$$

Consequently, we know that $k(p)=\operatorname{const}(p \in \mathcal{M})$ if and only if

$$
\psi_{h}=\frac{1}{n-1}\left(\frac{1+\alpha}{2}+\beta\right) T_{h i}^{i}
$$

This ends the proof of Theorem 3.3.
Theorem 3.4. An Einstein manifold $(\mathcal{M}, g)(\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{M} \geq 3)$ associated with a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ possessing a constant curvature is of a conformal flat manifold.
Proof. By using Einstein manifold assumption in Theorem 32, we have

$$
U_{i k}=\frac{k}{n} g_{i k}
$$

From this fact, we obtain $e_{i j k}=0$. Adding the expressions (33) and (35), we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{p}{R_{i j k}^{l}}+\stackrel{R_{i j k}^{*}}{l}=2 K_{i j k}^{l}+\delta_{j}^{l} \rho_{i k}-\delta_{i}^{l} \rho_{j k}+g_{i k} \rho_{j}^{l}-g_{j k} \rho_{i}^{l} \tag{37}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\rho_{i k}=a_{i k}+\frac{k}{n}\left(\frac{1+\alpha}{2} b_{i k}+\beta c_{i k}\right)$. Contracting the indices $i$ and $l$ of (37), we get

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{p}{R_{j k}}+\stackrel{p *}{R_{j k}}=2 K_{j k}-(n-2) \rho_{j k}-g_{j k} \rho_{i}^{i} . \tag{38}
\end{equation*}
$$

Multiplying both sides of (38) by $g^{j k}$, then we arrive at

$$
\rho_{i}^{i}=\frac{1}{2(n-1)}[2 k-(\stackrel{p}{R}+\stackrel{p *}{R})] .
$$

and

$$
\rho_{j k}=\frac{1}{n-2}\left\{2 K_{j k}-\left(R_{j k}+\stackrel{p *}{R}{ }_{j k}\right)-\frac{g_{j k}}{2(n-1)}[2 k-(\stackrel{p}{R}+\stackrel{p *}{R})]\right\}
$$

Substituting $\rho_{i}^{i}$ and $\rho_{j k}$ into (37) and putting

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \stackrel{p^{l}{ }^{l}}{C_{i j k}}=\stackrel{p l}{R_{i j k}}-\frac{1}{n-2}\left(\delta_{i}^{l}{ }^{p}{ }_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{R}_{i k}+g_{j k}{ }^{p}{ }_{i}^{l}-g_{i k} \stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l}\right)-\frac{\stackrel{p}{R}}{(n-1)(n-2)}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \stackrel{o}{o}_{i j k}^{l}=K_{i j k}^{l}-\frac{1}{n-2}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} K_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} K_{i k}+g_{j k} K_{i}^{l}-g_{i k} K_{j}^{l}\right)-\frac{k}{(n-1)(n-2)}\left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{j k}-\delta_{j}^{l} g_{i k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

then by a direct computation, we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{p^{l}}{C_{i j k}}+\stackrel{C_{i j k}}{C_{i j k}^{l}}=2 C_{i j k}^{o^{l}} \tag{39}
\end{equation*}
$$

By using the constant curvature assumption in Theorem 32, we have

$$
C_{i j k}^{p l}=C_{i j k}^{p * l}=0 .
$$

This implies that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\stackrel{o^{l}}{C_{i j k}}=0 \tag{40}
\end{equation*}
$$

This means consequently that the Einstein manifold is of conformal flat.

## 4. Examples

## Example 4.1. (ACMM: almost contact metric manifold)

Assume that $(\mathcal{M}, \varphi, \xi, \eta)$ is a $(2 n+1)$-dimensional almost contact manifold endowed with an almost contact strucuture $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$, where $\varphi$ is a (1,1)-tensor field, $\xi$ is a vector field and $\eta$ is a 1 -form such that

$$
\varphi^{2}=-I+\eta \otimes \xi, \eta(\xi)=1
$$

If an almost contact manifold equipped with a Riemannian metric $g$ such that

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

for all $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{M})$, then $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ is called an almost contact metric structure and $(\mathcal{M}, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ is called an almost contact metric manifold. We now define a linear connection on such manifold

$$
\tilde{\nabla}_{X} Y=\nabla_{X} Y+\eta(Y) X
$$

where $\nabla$ is the levi-Civita connection with respect to the Riemannian metric $g$, then we obtain

$$
T(X, Y)=\eta(Y) X-\eta(X) Y, \eta(X)=g(X, \xi)
$$

which shows that $\tilde{\nabla}$ is a semi-symmetric non-metric connection. This connection is exactly a special case from Remark 21

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