



## On the Geometry of Trans-Para-Sasakian Manifolds

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce the trans-para-Sasakian manifolds and we study their geometry. These manifolds are an analogue of the trans-Sasakian manifolds in the Riemannian geometry. We shall investigate many curvature properties of these manifolds and we shall give many conditions under which the manifolds are either  $\eta$ -Einstein or Einstein manifolds.

### 1. Introduction

In Grey-Hervella classification of almost Hermitian manifolds (see [3]), there appears a class,  $\mathcal{W}_4$ , of Hermitian manifolds which are closely related to locally conformal Kähler manifolds. An almost contact structure on a manifold  $M$  is called a *trans-Sasakian structure* (see [8]) if the product manifold  $M \times \mathbb{R}$  belongs to the class  $\mathcal{W}_4$ . The class  $C_6 \oplus C_5$  (see [6], [7]) coincides with the class of trans-Sasakian structures of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$ . In fact, in (see [7]), local nature of the two subclasses, namely the  $C_5$  and the  $C_6$  structures, of trans-Sasakian structures are characterized completely. We note that trans-Sasakian structures of type  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0, \beta)$  and  $(\alpha, 0)$  are cosymplectic (see [1]),  $\beta$ -Kenmotsu (see [4]) and  $\alpha$ -Sasakian (see [4]), respectively. We consider the trans-para-Sasakian manifolds as an analogue of the trans-Sasakian manifolds. A trans-para-Sasakian manifold is a trans-para-Sasakian structure of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are smooth functions. The trans-para-Sasakian manifolds of types  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , and are respectively the para-cosymplectic, para-Sasakian (in case  $\alpha = 1$ , these are just the para-Sasakian manifolds; in case  $\alpha = -1$ , these are the quasi-para-Sasakian manifolds, see [11]) and para-Kenmotsu (for the case  $\beta = 1$  see [12]). In the second section, we give the formal definition of trans-para-Sasakian manifolds of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and we prove some basic properties. We give an example for a 3-dimensional trans-para-Sasakian manifold. In the last section, we investigate the curvature properties of the trans-para-Sasakian manifolds. Further, we find many conditions under which the manifolds are either  $\eta$ -Einstein or Einstein manifolds.

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## 2. Preliminaries

A  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional smooth manifold  $M^{(2n+1)}$  has an *almost paracontact structure*  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$  if it admits a tensor field  $\varphi$  of type  $(1, 1)$ , a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying the following compatibility conditions

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad & \varphi(\xi) = 0, \quad \eta \circ \varphi = 0, \\ (ii) \quad & \eta(\xi) = 1 \quad \varphi^2 = id - \eta \otimes \xi, \\ (iii) \quad & \text{distribution } \mathbb{D} : p \in M \longrightarrow \mathbb{D}_p \subset T_p M : \\ & \mathbb{D}_p = \text{Ker}\eta = \{X \in T_p M : \eta(X) = 0\} \text{ is called } \textit{paracontact} \\ & \textit{distribution generated by } \eta. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

The tensor field  $\varphi$  induces an almost paracomplex structure [5] on each fibre on  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $(\mathbb{D}, \varphi, g_{\mathbb{D}})$  is a  $2n$ -dimensional almost paracomplex distribution. Since  $g$  is non-degenerate metric on  $M$  and  $\xi$  is non-isotropic, the paracontact distribution  $\mathbb{D}$  is non-degenerate.

An immediate consequence of the definition of the almost paracontact structure is that the endomorphism  $\varphi$  has rank  $2n$ ,  $\varphi\xi = 0$  and  $\eta \circ \varphi = 0$ , (see [1, 2] for the almost contact case).

If a manifold  $M^{(2n+1)}$  with  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$ -structure admits a pseudo-Riemannian metric  $g$  such that

$$g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = -g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2}$$

then we say that  $M^{(2n+1)}$  has an almost paracontact metric structure and  $g$  is called *compatible*. Any compatible metric  $g$  with a given almost paracontact structure is necessarily of signature  $(n+1, n)$ .

Note that setting  $Y = \xi$ , we have  $\eta(X) = g(X, \xi)$ .

Further, any almost paracontact structure admits a compatible metric.

**Definition 2.1.** If  $g(X, \varphi Y) = d\eta(X, Y)$  (where  $d\eta(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2}(X\eta(Y) - Y\eta(X) - \eta([X, Y]))$ ) then  $\eta$  is a *paracontact form* and the almost paracontact metric manifold  $(M, \varphi, \eta, \xi, g)$  is said to be a *paracontact metric manifold*.

A paracontact metric manifold for which  $\xi$  is Killing is called a *K-paracontact manifold*. A paracontact structure on  $M^{(2n+1)}$  naturally gives rise to an almost paracomplex structure on the product  $M^{(2n+1)} \times \mathfrak{R}$ . If this almost paracomplex structure is integrable, then the given paracontact metric manifold is said to be a *para-Sasakian*. Equivalently, (see [10]) a paracontact metric manifold is a para-Sasakian if and only if

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = -g(X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)X, \tag{3}$$

for all vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  (where  $\nabla$  is the Livi-Civita connection of  $g$ ).

**Definition 2.2.** If  $(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = \alpha(-g(X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)X) + \beta(g(X, \varphi Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\varphi X)$ , then the manifold  $(M^{(2n+1)}, \varphi, \eta, \xi, g)$  is said to be a *trans-para-Sasakian manifold*.

From Definition 2.2 we have

$$\nabla_X \xi = -\alpha\varphi X - \beta(X - \eta(X)\xi). \tag{4}$$

**Definition 2.3.** A  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional almost paracontact metric manifold is called *normal* if  $N(X, Y) - 2d\eta(X, Y)\xi = 0$ , where  $N(X, Y) = \varphi^2[X, Y] + [\varphi X, \varphi Y] - \varphi[\varphi X, Y] - \varphi[X, \varphi Y]$  is the Nijenhuis torsion tensor of  $\varphi$  (see [10]).

Denoting by  $\mathcal{L}$  the Lie differentiation of  $g$ , we see

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $(M^{(2n+1)}, \varphi, \eta, \xi, g)$  be a trans-para-Sasakian manifold. Then we have

$$(\nabla_X \eta)Y = \alpha g(X, \varphi Y) - \beta(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)), \tag{5}$$

$$d\eta(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, \varphi Y), \tag{6}$$

$$(\mathcal{L}_\xi g)(X, Y) = -2\beta(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)), \tag{7}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\xi \varphi = 0, \tag{8}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\xi \eta = 0, \tag{9}$$

where  $X, Y \in T_pM$ .

Since the proof of Proposition 2.4 follows by routine calculation, we shall omit it.

From Proposition 2.4 we see that  $(M^{(2n+1)}, \varphi, \eta, \xi, g)$  is normal.

**Example 2.5.** Let us consider the 3-dimensional manifold  $M^3 = \{(x, y, z) : (x, y, z) \in \mathfrak{R}_1^3, z \neq 0\}$ , where  $(x, y, z)$  are the standard coordinates in  $\mathfrak{R}_1^3$ . We choose the vector fields

$$E_1 = e^z \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right), \quad E_2 = e^z \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad E_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z},$$

which are linearly independent at each point of  $M$ . We define an almost paracontact structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$  and a pseudo-Riemannian metric  $g$  in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi E_1 &= E_2, & \varphi E_2 &= E_1, & \varphi E_3 &= 0 \\ \xi &= E_3, & \eta(E_3) &= 1, & \eta(E_1) &= \eta(E_2) = 0, \\ g(E_1, E_1) &= g(E_3, E_3) = -g(E_2, E_2) &= 1, \\ g(E_i, E_j) &= 0, & i \neq j \in \{1, 2, 3\}. \end{aligned}$$

By the definition of Lie bracket, we have

$$[E_1, E_2] = ye^z E_2 - e^{2z} E_3, \quad [E_2, E_3] = -E_2, \quad [E_1, E_3] = -E_3.$$

Then  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a 3-dimensional almost paracontact manifold. The Koszul equality becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{E_1} E_1 &= E_3, & \nabla_{E_1} E_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}e^{2z} E_3, & \nabla_{E_1} E_3 &= -E_1 - \frac{1}{2}e^{2z} E_2, \\ \nabla_{E_2} E_1 &= -ye^z E_2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{2z} E_3, & \nabla_{E_2} E_2 &= -ye^z E_1 - E_3, & \nabla_{E_2} E_3 &= -\frac{1}{2}e^{2z} E_1 - E_2, \\ \nabla_{E_3} E_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}e^{2z} E_2, & \nabla_{E_3} E_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}e^{2z} E_1, & \nabla_{E_3} E_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

We have  $\nabla_{E_1} \xi = -\alpha \varphi E_1 - \beta E_2$ ,  $\nabla_{E_2} \xi = -\alpha \varphi E_2 - \beta E_2$ ,  $\nabla_\xi \xi = 0$  for  $E_3 = \xi$ , where  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}e^{2z}$  and  $\beta = 1$ .

Again, by virtue of (5) and  $(\nabla_X \eta)Y = X(\eta(Y)) - \eta(\nabla_X Y)$  we obtain

$$(\nabla_{E_1} \eta)E_1 = -\beta = -1, \quad (\nabla_{E_2} \eta)E_1 = -\alpha = -\frac{1}{2}e^{2z}, \quad (\nabla_{E_3} \eta)E_1 = 0.$$

Thus from above the calculation the condition (4) and (5) are satisfied and the structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a trans-para-Sasakian structure of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , where  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}e^{2z}$  and  $\beta = 1$ . Consequently  $(M^3, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a trans-para-Sasakian manifold.

Finally, the sectional curvature  $K(\xi, X) = \epsilon_X R(X, \xi, \xi, X)$ , where  $|X| = \epsilon_X = \pm 1$ , of a plane section spanned by  $\xi$  and the vector  $X$  orthogonal to  $\xi$  is called  $\xi$ -sectional curvature, where denoting by  $R$  the curvature tensor of  $\nabla$ .

### 3. Some curvature properties of trans-para-Sasakian manifolds

We begin with the following Lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $(M^{(2n+1)}, \varphi, \eta, \xi, g)$  be a trans-para-Sasakian manifold. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)\xi &= -(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y) - 2\alpha\beta(\eta(Y)\varphi X - \eta(X)\varphi Y) - \\ &\quad -X(\alpha)\varphi Y + Y(\alpha)\varphi X + Y(\beta)\varphi^2 X - X(\beta)\varphi^2 Y. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

*Proof.* Using Definition 2.2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_X \nabla_Y \xi &= \nabla_X(-\alpha\varphi Y - \beta(Y - \eta(Y)\xi)) = \\ &= -X(\alpha)\varphi Y - \alpha\nabla_X\varphi Y - X(\beta)\varphi^2 Y - \beta\nabla_X Y - \beta(X\eta(Y))\xi - \\ &\quad -\alpha\beta\eta(Y)\varphi X - \beta^2\eta(Y)X + \beta^2\eta(X)\eta(Y)\xi, \end{aligned}$$

From here and (4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)\xi &= \nabla_X \nabla_Y \xi - \nabla_Y \nabla_X \xi - \nabla_{[X, Y]}\xi = \\ &= -X(\alpha)\varphi Y + Y(\alpha)\varphi X - \alpha((\nabla_X\varphi)Y - (\nabla_Y\varphi)X) - \\ &\quad -X(\beta)\varphi^2 Y + Y(\beta)\varphi^2 X + \beta((\nabla_X\eta)Y - (\nabla_Y\eta)X)\xi - \\ &\quad -\alpha\beta(\eta(Y)\varphi X - \eta(X)\varphi Y) - \beta^2(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y), \end{aligned}$$

which in view of Definition 2.2 and (5) gives (10).  $\square$

Lemma 3.1 yields the following

**Proposition 3.2.** *If  $(M^{(2n+1)}, \varphi, \eta, \xi, g)$  is a trans-para-Sasakian manifold, then it is of  $\xi$ -sectional curvature  $K(\xi, X) = -\epsilon_X(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \xi(\beta))$ .*

In a trans-para-Sasakian manifolds the functions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  can not be arbitrary. This fact is shown in the following

**Theorem 3.3.** *In trans-para-Sasakian manifold, we have*

$$R(\xi, X)\xi = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \xi(\beta))(X - \eta(X)\xi), \tag{11}$$

$$2\alpha\beta - \xi(\alpha) = 0. \tag{12}$$

*Proof.* Using (10) in  $R(\xi, Z, X, Y) = R(X, Y, \xi, Z)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} R(\xi, Z)X &= -(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(g(X, Z) - \eta(X)Z) - 2\alpha\beta(g(\varphi X, Z)\xi + \eta(X)\varphi Z) + \\ &\quad + X(\alpha)\varphi Z + g(\varphi X, Z)\text{grad}\alpha - X(\beta)(Z - \eta(Z)\xi) - g(\varphi X, \varphi Z)\text{grad}\beta. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

From (10), we get

$$R(\xi, X)\xi = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \xi(\beta))(X - \eta(X)\xi) + (2\alpha\beta - \xi(\alpha))\varphi Y,$$

while gives us (10)

$$R(\xi, X)\xi = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \xi(\beta))(X - \eta(X)\xi) - (2\alpha\beta - \xi(\alpha))\varphi Y.$$

The above two equations provide (11) and (12).  $\square$

From Lemma 3.1, we have the following

**Proposition 3.4.** *In a  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional tras-para-Sasakian manifold, we have*

$$\text{Ric}(X, \xi) = -(2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) - \xi(\beta))\eta(X) + (2n - 1)X(\beta) - \varphi X(\alpha), \tag{14}$$

$$Q\xi = -(2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) - \xi(\beta))\xi + (2n - 1)\text{grad}\beta + \varphi(\text{grad}\alpha), \tag{15}$$

where  $\text{Ric}$  is the Ricci tensor and  $Q$  is the Ricci operator given by

$$\text{Ric}(X, Y) = g(QX, Y). \tag{16}$$

**Corollary 3.5.** *If in a  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional trans-para-Sasakian manifold we have  $\varphi(\text{grad}\alpha) = -(2n - 1)\text{grad}\beta$ , then*

$$\xi(\beta) = g(\xi, \text{grad}\beta) = -\frac{1}{2n - 1}g(\xi, \varphi(\text{grad}\alpha)) = 0,$$

and hence

$$\text{Ric}(X, \xi) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)\eta(X), \quad (17)$$

$$Q\xi = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)\xi. \quad (18)$$

From here on, we shall assume that  $\varphi(\text{grad}\alpha) = -(2n - 1)\text{grad}\beta$ .

The Weyl-projective curvature tensor  $P$  is defined as

$$P(X, Y)Z = R(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{2n}(\text{Ric}(Y, Z)X - \text{Ric}(X, Z)Y). \quad (19)$$

Hence we can state the following

**Theorem 3.6.** *A Weyl projectively flat trans-para-Sasakian manifold is an Einstein manifold.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $P = 0$ . Then from equation (19), we have

$$R(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{2n}(\text{Ric}(Y, Z)X - \text{Ric}(X, Z)Y). \quad (20)$$

From (20), we obtain

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = \frac{1}{2n}(\text{Ric}(Y, Z)g(X, W) - \text{Ric}(X, Z)g(Y, W)). \quad (21)$$

Putting  $W = \xi$  in (21), we get

$$\eta(R(X, Y)Z) = \frac{1}{2n}(\text{Ric}(Y, Z)\eta(X) - \text{Ric}(X, Z)\eta(Y)). \quad (22)$$

Again taking  $X = \xi$ , and using (10) and (17), we get

$$\text{Ric}(X, Y) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(X, Y). \quad (23)$$

□

**Theorem 3.7.** *A trans-para-Sasakian manifold satisfying  $R(X, Y)P = 0$  is an Einstein manifold and also it is a manifold of scalar curvature  $\text{scal} = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .*

*Proof.* Using (10) and (17) in (19), we get

$$\eta(P(X, Y)\xi) = 0 \quad (24)$$

and

$$\eta(P(\xi, Y)Z) = -(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(Y, Z) - \frac{1}{2n}\text{Ric}(Y, Z) \quad (25)$$

Now,

$$(R(X, Y)P(U, V)Z) = R(X, Y)P(U, V)Z - P(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - P(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - P(U, V)R(X, Y)Z.$$

By assumption  $R(X, Y)P = 0$ , so we have

$$R(X, Y)P(U, V)Z - P(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - P(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - P(U, V)R(X, Y)Z = 0. \quad (26)$$

Therefore

$$g(R(\xi, Y)P(U, V)Z, \xi) - g(P(R(\xi, Y)U, V)Z, \xi) - g(P(U, R(\xi, Y)V)Z, \xi) - g(P(U, V)R(\xi, Y)Z, \xi) = 0.$$

From this, it follows that,

$$\begin{aligned} & -P(U, V, Z, Y) + \eta(Y)\eta(P(U, V)Z) - \eta(U)\eta(P(Y, V)Z) + \\ & + g(Y, U)\eta(P(\xi, V)Z) - \eta(V)\eta(P(U, Y)Z) + g(Y, V)\eta(P(U, \xi)Z) - \eta(Z)\eta(P(U, V)Y) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

Let  $\{e_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 2n + 1$  be an orthonormal basis. Then summing up for  $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$  of the relation (27) for  $Y = U = e_i$  yields

$$2n\eta(P(\xi, V)Z) + \eta(Z)P(V, e_i, e_i, \xi) = 0. \quad (28)$$

From (25), we have

$$Ric(V, Z) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(Y, Z) - ((2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + \frac{scal}{2n}). \quad (29)$$

Taking  $Z = \xi$  in (29) and using (17) we obtain

$$scal = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) \quad \text{and} \quad Ric(V, Z) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(Y, Z) \quad (30)$$

□

The Weyl-conformal tensor  $C$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} C(X, Y)Z &= R(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{2n - 1}(g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY + Ric(Y, Z)X - \\ & - Ric(X, Z)Y) + \frac{scal}{2n(2n - 1)}(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y). \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

We have the following

**Theorem 3.8.** *A conformally flat trans-para-Sasakian manifold is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold.*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $C = 0$ . Then from (31), we get

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)Z &= \frac{1}{2n - 1}(g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY + Ric(Y, Z)X - \\ & - Ric(X, Z)Y) - \frac{scal}{2n(2n - 1)}(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y). \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

From the identity (32), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(R(X, Y)Z) &= \frac{1}{2n - 1}(g(Y, Z)Ric(X, \xi) - g(X, Z)Ric(Y, \xi) + \eta(X)Ric(Y, Z) - \\ & - \eta(Y)Ric(X, Z)) - \frac{scal}{2n(2n - 1)}(g(Y, Z)\eta(X) - g(X, Z)\eta(Y)). \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Again taking  $X = \xi$  in (33), and using (10) and (17) we get

$$Ric(X, Y) = ((\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + \frac{scal}{2n})g(Y, Z) - ((2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + \frac{scal}{2n})\eta(X)\eta(Y). \quad (34)$$

□

**Theorem 3.9.** *A trans-para-Sasakian manifold satisfying  $R(X, Y)C = 0$  is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold.*

*Proof.* From identity (31), we have  $\eta(C(X, Y)\xi) = 0$  and

$$\eta(C(\xi, Y)Z) = \frac{1}{2n-1}((\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + \frac{scal}{2n})(g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)) - \frac{1}{2n-1}(Ric(Y, Z) + 2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)). \quad (35)$$

Now,

$$(R(X, Y)C(U, V)Z) = R(X, Y)C(U, V)Z - C(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - C(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - C(U, V)R(X, Y)Z.$$

By assumption  $R(X, Y)C = 0$ , so we have

$$R(X, Y)C(U, V)Z - C(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - C(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - C(U, V)R(X, Y)Z = 0. \quad (36)$$

Therefore

$$g(R(\xi, Y)C(U, V)Z, \xi) - g(C(R(\xi, Y)U, V)Z, \xi) - g(C(U, R(\xi, Y)V)Z, \xi) - g(C(U, V)R(\xi, Y)Z, \xi) = 0.$$

From this, it follows that,

$$\begin{aligned} & -C(U, V, Z, Y) + \eta(Y)\eta(C(U, V)Z) - \eta(U)\eta(C(Y, V)Z) + \\ & + g(Y, U)\eta(C(\xi, V)Z) - \eta(V)\eta(C(U, Y)Z) + g(Y, V)\eta(C(U, \xi)Z) - \eta(Z)\eta(C(U, V)Y) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Let  $\{e_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 2n + 1$  be an orthonormal basis. Then summing up for  $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$  of the relation (37) for  $Y = U = e_i$  yields

$$\eta(C(\xi, V)Z) = 0. \quad (38)$$

From (35), we have

$$Ric(Y, Z) = \left(\frac{scal}{2n} + (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)\right)g(Y, Z) - ((2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + \frac{scal}{2n})\eta(Y)\eta(Z). \quad (39)$$

□

The concircular curvature tensor  $\bar{C}$  is defined by

$$\bar{C}(X, Y)Z = R(X, Y)Z - \frac{scal}{2n(2n + 1)}(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y). \quad (40)$$

We have the following

**Theorem 3.10.** *A trans-para-Sasakian manifold satisfying  $R(X, Y)\bar{C} = 0$  is an Einstein manifold and a manifold of scalar curvature  $scal = -2n(2n - 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .*

*Proof.* From equality (40), we have  $\eta(\bar{C}(X, Y)\xi) = 0$  and

$$\eta(\bar{C}(\xi, Y)Z) = \left(-\frac{scal}{2n(2n + 1)} + (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)\right)(g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)). \quad (41)$$

Now,

$$(R(X, Y)\bar{C}(U, V)Z) = R(X, Y)\bar{C}(U, V)Z - \bar{C}(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - \bar{C}(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - \bar{C}(U, V)R(X, Y)Z.$$

By assumption  $R(X, Y)\bar{C} = 0$ , so we have

$$R(X, Y)\bar{C}(U, V)Z - \bar{C}(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - \bar{C}(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - \bar{C}(U, V)R(X, Y)Z = 0. \quad (42)$$

Therefore

$$g(R(\xi, Y)\bar{C}(U, V)Z, \xi) - g(\bar{C}(R(\xi, Y)U, V)Z, \xi) - g(\bar{C}(U, R(\xi, Y)V)Z, \xi) - g(\bar{C}(U, V)R(\xi, Y)Z, \xi) = 0.$$

From this, it follows that,

$$\begin{aligned} & -\bar{C}(U, V, Z, Y) + \eta(Y)\eta(\bar{C}(U, V)Z) - \eta(U)\eta(\bar{C}(Y, V)Z) + \\ & + g(Y, U)\eta(\bar{C}(\xi, V)Z) - \eta(V)\eta(\bar{C}(U, Y)Z) + g(Y, V)\eta(\bar{C}(U, \xi)Z) - \eta(Z)\eta(\bar{C}(U, V)Y) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

Let  $\{e_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 2n + 1$  be an orthonormal basis. Then summing up for  $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$  of the relation (43) for  $Y = U = e_i$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} & -Ric(V, Z) + \frac{scal}{2n+1}g(V, Z) - 2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(g(V, Z) - \eta(V)\eta(Z)) - \\ & - \frac{scal}{2n+1}(g(V, Z) - \eta(V)\eta(Z)) + \eta(Z)Ric(V, \xi) - \frac{scal}{2n+1}\eta(V)\eta(Z). \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

Using (17) in (44), we have

$$Ric(Y, Z) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(Y, Z) \quad (45)$$

and  $scal = -2n(2n - 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .  $\square$

The projective Ricci tensor is defined by

$$\tilde{P}(X, Y) = \frac{(2n+1)}{2n}Ric(X, Y) - \frac{scal}{2n}g(X, Y). \quad (46)$$

We have the following

**Theorem 3.11.** *A trans-para-Sasakian manifold satisfying  $R(X, Y)\tilde{P} = 0$  is an Einstein manifold and a manifold of scalar curvature  $scal = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .*

*Proof.* From the identity  $R(X, Y)\tilde{P} = 0$ , we get

$$\tilde{P}(R(X, Y)U, V) + \tilde{P}(U, R(X, Y)V) = 0. \quad (47)$$

Putting  $X = U = \xi$  and using (10) and (47) we have

$$-(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(\eta(Y)\tilde{P}(\xi, V) + g(Y, V)\tilde{P}(\xi, \xi) - \tilde{P}(Y, V) - \eta(V)\tilde{P}(\xi, Y)) = 0. \quad (48)$$

Using (47) in (48), we obtain that  $Ric(X, Y) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(X, Y)$  and  $scal = 2n(2n - 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .  $\square$

The pseudo-projective curvature tensor is defined by

$$\bar{P}(X, Y)Z = aR(X, Y)Z + b(Ric(Y, Z)X - Ric(X, Z)Y) - \frac{(a + 2nb)scal}{2n(2n + 1)}(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y), \quad (49)$$

where  $a, b$  are constants such that  $a, b \neq 0$ .

We have the following

**Theorem 3.12.** *If a trans-para-Sasakian manifold is pseudo-projectively flat, then it is an Einstein manifold and a manifold of scalar curvature  $scal = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .*



*Proof.* Suppose that  $\bar{P}(X, Y)Z = 0$ , then from (49), we get

$$aR(X, Y)Z + b(\text{Ric}(Y, Z)X - \text{Ric}(X, Z)Y) - \frac{(a + 2nb)\text{scal}}{2n(2n + 1)}(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y) = 0. \quad (50)$$

Taking the inner product on both sides of (50) by  $\xi$ , we get

$$a\eta(R(X, Y)Z) + b(\text{Ric}(Y, Z)\eta(X) - \text{Ric}(X, Z)\eta(Y)) - \frac{(a + 2nb)\text{scal}}{2n(2n + 1)}(g(Y, Z)\eta(X) - g(X, Z)\eta(Y)) = 0. \quad (51)$$

Putting  $X = \xi$  and using (10) and (17) in (51), we get

$$-a(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)) + b(\text{Ric}(Y, Z) + 2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)) + (a + 2nb)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)) = 0. \quad (52)$$

From the identity (52), we obtain that  $\text{Ric}(X, Y) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(Y, Z)$  and  $\text{scal} = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.13.** *A trans-para-Sasakian manifold is satisfying the relation  $R(X, Y)\bar{P} = 0$  is an Einstein manifold and a manifold of scalar curvature  $\text{scal} = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$ .*

*Proof.* From equality (49), we have  $\eta(\bar{P}(X, Y)\xi) = 0$ . Now,

$$(R(X, Y)\bar{P}(U, V)Z) = R(X, Y)\bar{P}(U, V)Z - \bar{P}(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - \bar{P}(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - \bar{P}(U, V)R(X, Y)Z.$$

By assumption  $R(X, Y)\bar{P} = 0$ , so we have

$$R(X, Y)\bar{P}(U, V)Z - \bar{P}(R(X, Y)U, V)Z - \bar{P}(U, R(X, Y)V)Z - \bar{P}(U, V)R(X, Y)Z = 0. \quad (53)$$

Therefore

$$g(R(\xi, Y)\bar{P}(U, V)Z, \xi) - g(\bar{P}(R(\xi, Y)U, V)Z, \xi) - g(\bar{P}(U, R(\xi, Y)V)Z, \xi) - g(\bar{P}(U, V)R(\xi, Y)Z, \xi) = 0.$$

From this, it follows that,

$$-\bar{P}(U, V, Z, Y) + \eta(Y)\eta(\bar{P}(U, V)Z) - \eta(U)\eta(\bar{P}(Y, V)Z) + g(Y, U)\eta(\bar{P}(\xi, V)Z) - \eta(V)\eta(\bar{P}(U, Y)Z) + g(Y, V)\eta(\bar{P}(U, \xi)Z) - \eta(Z)\eta(\bar{P}(U, V)Y) = 0. \quad (54)$$

Let  $\{e_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 2n + 1$  be an orthonormal basis. Then summing up for  $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$  of the relation (54) for  $Y = U = e_i$  yields

$$\bar{P}(e_i, V, Z, e_i) - 2n\eta(\bar{P}(\xi, V)Z) + \eta(Z)\eta(\bar{P}(e_i, V)e_i) = 0. \quad (55)$$

Taking the trace of the identity, we obtain

$$-\bar{P}(e_i, V, Z, e_i) + 2n\bar{P}(\xi, V, Z, \xi) + \eta(Z)\bar{P}(\xi, e_i, e_i, \xi) = 0. \quad (56)$$

From identity (56), we get

$$a\text{Ric}(V, Z) = -2n.a(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(V, Z) + (b.\text{scal} + 2n(2n + 1)b(\alpha^2 + \beta^2))\eta(V)\eta(Z). \quad (57)$$

Taking  $Z = \xi$  in (57) and using (17) we obtain

$$\text{scal} = -2n(2n + 1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Ric}(V, Z) = -2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(V, Z). \quad (58)$$

$\square$

The PC-Bochner curvature tensor on  $M$  is defined by [9]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B}(X, Y, Z, W) = & R(X, Y, Z, W) + \frac{1}{2n+4}(Ric(X, Z)g(Y, W) - Ric(Y, Z)g(X, W) + \\ & + Ric(Y, W)g(X, Z) - Ric(X, W)g(Y, Z) + Ric(\varphi X, Z)g(Y, \varphi W) - \\ & - Ric(\varphi Y, Z)g(X, \varphi W) + Ric(\varphi Y, W)g(X, \varphi Z) - Ric(\varphi X, W)g(Y, \varphi Z) + \\ & + 2Ric(\varphi X, Y)g(Z, \varphi W) + 2Ric(\varphi Z, W)g(X, \varphi Y) - Ric(X, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) + \\ & + Ric(Y, Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) - Ric(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(Z) + Ric(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z) + \\ & + \frac{k-4}{2n+4}(g(X, Z)g(Y, W) - g(Y, Z)g(X, W)) - \frac{k+2n}{2n+4}(g(Y, \varphi W)g(X, \varphi Z) - \\ & - g(X, \varphi W)g(Y, \varphi Z) + 2g(X, \varphi Y)g(Z, \varphi W)) - \frac{k}{2n+4}(g(X, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) - \\ & - g(Y, Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) + g(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(Z) - g(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)), \end{aligned}$$

where  $k = -\frac{scal-2n}{2n+2}$ .

Using the PC-Bochner curvature tensor we have

**Theorem 3.14.** *If a trans-para-Sasakian manifold is paracontact conformally flat, then  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that the manifold is paracontact conformally flat. Then the condition  $\mathbf{B}(X, Y)Z = 0$  holds. Putting  $X = Z = \xi$  and using (11), we obtain

$$(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 1)(Y - \eta(Y)\xi) = 0. \quad (59)$$

Since  $Y - \eta(Y)\xi = \varphi^2 Y \neq 0$ , we have  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 1 = 0$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.15.** *If a trans-para-Sasakian manifold satisfies the condition  $\mathbf{B}(\xi, Y)Ric = 0$ , then it is either an Einstein manifold with scalar curvature  $scal = -2n(2n+1)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)$  or  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that the condition  $\mathbf{B}(\xi, Y)Ric(Z, V) = 0$  holds. This condition implies that

$$Ric(\mathbf{B}(\xi, Y)Z, V) + Ric(Z, \mathbf{B}(\xi, Y)V) = 0. \quad (60)$$

Putting  $V = \xi$  and using (11), we obtain

$$(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 1)(Ric(Y, Z) + 2n(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)g(Y, Z)) = 0. \quad (61)$$

$\square$

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