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On a Ricci Quarter-Symmetric Metric Recurrent Connection and a Projective Ricci Quarter-Symmetric Metric Recurrent Connection in a Riemannian Manifold

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Abstract. Two new types of connections, Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection and projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection, were introduced and some interesting geometrical and physical characteristics were achieved.

1. Introduction

The concept of the semi-symmetric connection was introduced by Friedman and Schouten in [6] for the first time, Hayden in [11] introduced the metric connection with torsion, and Yano in [21] defined a semi-symmetric metric connection and studied its geometric properties. N. Agache and M. Chafle [1] investigated the semi-symmetric non-metric connection. Recently, De, Han and Zhao in [2] studied the semi-symmetric non-metric connection. On the other hand, the Schur's theorem of a semi-symmetric non-metric connection is well known ([12, 13]) based only on the second Bianchi identity. A semi-symmetric metric connection that is a geometrical model for scalar-tensor theories of gravitation was studied ([3]) and a conjugate symmetry condition of the Amari-Chentsov connection with metric recurrent was also studied. Recently in [9] the similar topics were further studied in sub-Riemannian manifolds. A quarter-symmetric connection were studied ([4, 10, 19, 22]). In [7, 14, 20, 23, 24], the geometric and physic properties of conformal and projective the semi-symmetric metric recurrent connections were studied. And in [17, 18] a projective conformal quarter-symmetric metric connection and a generalized quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection was studied. In [5] a curvature copy problem of the symmetric connection was studied. And in [18] the mutual connection of a semi-symmetric connection was studied.

Motivated by the previous researches we define newly in this note the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection and the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection and study

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their properties. And the Schur's theorem of the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection and the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection and several types of these connections with constant curvature are discovered.

2. A Ricci Quarter Symmetric Metric Recurrent Connection

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

Definition 2.1. A connection ∇ is called a Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection, if it satisfies

$$\nabla_Z g(X, Y) = 2\omega(Z)g(X, Y), T(X, Y) = \pi(Y)UX - \pi(X)UY$$
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where U is a Ricci operator, ω and π are 1-form respectively. If U(X) = X, then ∇ is a semi-symmetric metric recurrent connection studied in [24].

Let (x^i) be the local coordinate, then $g, \nabla, \nabla, \omega, \pi, U$ and T have the local expressions $g_{ji}, \{^k_{ji}\}, \Gamma^k_{ji}, \omega_i, \pi_i, U^j_i$ and T^k_{ii} respectively. At the same time the expression (1) can be rewritten as

$$\nabla_k g_{ji} = 2\omega_k g_{ji}, T^k_{ji} = \pi_i U^k_i - \pi_j U^k_i \tag{2}$$

The coefficient of ∇ is given as

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{k} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} - \omega_i \delta_j^{k} - \omega_j \delta_i^{k} + g_{ij} \omega^{k} + \pi_j U_i^{k} - U_{ij} \pi^{k}$$

$$\tag{3}$$

where U_{ij} is a Ricci tensor of the Levi-Civita connection $\widetilde{\nabla}$. From (3), the curvature tensor of ∇ , by a direct computation, is

$$R_{ijk}^{l} = K_{ijk}^{l} + \delta_{i}^{l}a_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l}a_{ik} + g_{jk}a_{i}^{l} - g_{ik}a_{j}^{l} + U_{j}^{l}b_{ik} - U_{i}^{l}b_{jk} + U_{ik}b_{j}^{l} - U_{jk}b_{i}^{l} + c_{ij}^{l}\pi_{k} - c_{ji}^{l}\pi_{k} - c_{ijk}\pi^{l} + c_{jik}\pi^{l} - \delta_{k}^{l}(\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji})$$
(4)

where K_{iik}^l is the curvature tensor of the Levi-Civita connection $\widetilde{\nabla}$ and other notations are given as

$$a_{ik} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\omega_{k} + \omega_{i}\omega_{k} + U_{ik}\omega_{p}\pi^{p} - U_{i}^{p}\omega_{p}\pi_{k} - \frac{1}{2}g_{ik}\omega_{p}\omega^{p}$$

$$b_{ik} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\pi_{k} + \pi_{i}\omega_{k} - U_{i}^{p}\pi_{p}\pi_{k} - \frac{1}{2}U_{ik}\pi_{p}\pi^{p}$$

$$c_{ijk} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}U_{jk}$$

$$\omega_{ij} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\omega_{j}$$

$$A_{ijk}^{l} = \delta_{i}^{l}a_{jk} + a_{i}^{l}g_{jk} - U_{i}^{l}b_{jk} - b_{i}^{l}U_{jk} + c_{ij}^{l}\pi_{k} - c_{ijk}\pi^{l} - \delta_{k}^{l}\omega_{ij}$$

Then, we get

Let

$$R_{ijk}^{l} = K_{ijk}^{l} + A_{ijk}^{l} - A_{jik}^{l}$$
(5)

So there exists the following.

Theorem 2.2. When $A_{ijk}^l = A_{jik'}^l$, then the curvature tensor will keep unchanged under the connection transformation $\widetilde{\nabla} \rightarrow \nabla$.

From (3), the coefficient of dual connection $\widehat{\nabla}$ of the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ is

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_{ij}^{k} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} + \omega_{i}\delta_{j}^{k} - \omega_{j}\delta_{i}^{k} + g_{ij}\omega^{k} + \pi_{j}U_{i}^{k} - U_{ij}\pi^{k}$$

$$\tag{6}$$

By using the expression (6), the curvature tensor of dual connection $\widehat{\nabla}$ is

$$\widehat{R}_{ijk}^{l} = K_{ijk}^{l} + \delta_{i}^{l}a_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l}a_{ik} + g_{jk}a_{i}^{l} - g_{ik}a_{j}^{l} + U_{j}^{l}b_{ik} - U_{i}^{l}b_{jk}
+ U_{ik}b_{j}^{l} - U_{jk}b_{i}^{l} + c_{ij}^{l}\pi_{k} - c_{ijk}^{l}\pi_{k} - c_{ijk}\pi^{l} + c_{jik}\pi^{l} + \delta_{k}^{l}(\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji})$$
(7)

In the Riemannian manifold (M, g) if $R_{ijk}^l = \widehat{R}_{ijk}^l$, then the connection ∇ is called a conjugate symmetry and if $R_{jk} = \widehat{R}_{jk}$, then the connection ∇ is called a conjugate Ricci symmetry, and if $P_{ij} = \widehat{P}_{ij}$, then the connection ∇ is called a conjugate quasi-Ricci (or Volume) symmetry, where $P_{ji} = g^{hl}R_{jihl}$.

Theorem 2.3. In a Riemannian manifold (M, g) with a Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ if a 1-form ω is a closed form, then the Riemannian manifold (M, g, ∇) is a quasi-Ricci flat and the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection is a conjugate symmetric.

Proof. By using the contraction of the indices *k* and *l* in the (4) we have

$$P_{ji} = \widehat{P}_{ji} - n(\omega_{ji} - \omega_{ij})$$

where $\tilde{P}_{ij} = K_{ijk}^{\ k} = 0$. If a 1-form ω is a closed form, then $\omega_{ij} = \omega_{ji}$. Hence $P_{ji} = 0$. Consequently the Riemannian manifold (M, g, ∇) is a quasi-Ricci flat. On the other hand, from the expressions (4) and (7), we obtain

$$R_{ijk}^{l} = R_{ijk}^{l} + 2\delta_{k}^{l}(\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji})$$
(8)

If a 1-form ω is a closed form, then $\omega_{ij} = \omega_{ji}$. Hence from the expression (8), we have $\widehat{R}_{ijk}^l = R_{ijk}^{l}^l$. Consequently, the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ is a conjugate symmetry. \Box

Theorem 2.4. The Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ on a Riemannian manifold (M, g) is a conjugate symmetry if and only if It is a conjugate Ricci symmetry or a conjugate volume symmetry.

Proof. By using the contraction of the indices *i* and *l* in (8) we have

$$R_{jk} = R_{jk} - 2(\omega_{jk} - \omega_{kj}).$$

From this expression, we arrive at

$$\omega_{jk}-\omega_{kj}=\frac{1}{2}(R_{jk}-\widehat{R}_{jk}).$$

Substituting this expression into (8), we have

$$\widehat{R}_{ijk}^{l} + \delta_k^l \widehat{R}_{ij} = R_{ijk}^{\ \ l} + \delta_k^l R_{ij} \tag{9}$$

From the equation (9) it is easy to show that $R_{ijk}^{\ l} = \widehat{R}_{ijk}^{l}$ if and only if $R_{jk} = \widehat{R}_{jk}$. On the other hand, by using the contraction of the indices *k* and *l* in (8), we have

$$P_{ij} = P_{ij} + 2n(\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji})$$

From this expression, we arrive at

$$\omega_{jk}-\omega_{kj}=\frac{1}{2n}(R_{jk}-\widehat{R}_{jk}).$$

Substituting this expression into (8) we have

$$\widehat{R}_{ijk}^{l} - \frac{1}{n} \delta_k^l \widehat{P}_{ij} = R_{ijk}^{\ \ l} - \frac{1}{n} \delta_k^l P_{ij} \tag{10}$$

From the equation (10), it is easy to show that $R_{ijk}^{\ l} = \widehat{R}_{ijk}^{l}$ if and only if $P_{ij} = \widehat{P}_{ij}$. \Box

It is well known that a sectional curvature at a point *p* in a Riemannian manifold is independent of Π (a 2-dimensional subspace of $T_p(M)$), the curvature tensor is

$$R_{ijk}{}^l = k(p)(\delta^l_i g_{jk} - \delta^l_i g_{ik}) \tag{11}$$

In this case, if k(p) = const, then the Riemannian manifold is a constant curvature manifold.

Theorem 2.5. Suppose that $(M, g)(dim M \ge 3)$ is a connected Riemannian manifold associated with an isotropic Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ . If there holds

$$\omega_h = -s_h \tag{12}$$

then (M, g, ∇) is a constant curvature manifold, where $s_h = \frac{1}{n-1}T_{hp}^p(Schur's \text{ theorem for the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection})$

Proof. Substituting the expression (11) and using the expression (2) into the second Bianchi identity of the curvature tensor of the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ , we get

$$\nabla_{h} R_{ijk}{}^{l} + \nabla_{i} R_{jhk}{}^{l} + \nabla_{j} R_{hik}{}^{l} = T_{hi}^{m} R_{jmk}{}^{l} + T_{ij}^{m} R_{hmk}{}^{l} + T_{jh}^{m} R_{imk}{}^{l}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_{h}k(p) + 2\omega_{h}k(p))(\delta_{i}^{l}g_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l}g_{ik}) + (\nabla_{i}k(p) + 2\omega_{i}k(p))(\delta_{j}^{l}g_{hk} - \delta_{h}^{l}g_{jk}) \\ + (\nabla_{j}k(p) + 2\omega_{j}k(p))(\delta_{h}^{l}g_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l}g_{hk}) \\ = k(p)[\pi_{h}(\delta_{i}^{l}U_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l}U_{ik} + U_{i}^{l}g_{jk} - U_{j}^{l}g_{ik}) + \pi_{i}(\delta_{j}^{l}U_{hk} - \delta_{h}^{l}U_{jk} + U_{j}^{l}g_{hk} - U_{h}^{l}g_{jk}) \\ + \pi_{j}(\delta_{h}^{l}U_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l}U_{hk} + U_{h}^{l}g_{ik} - U_{i}^{l}g_{hk})] \end{aligned}$$

Contracting the indices *i* and *l*, then we obtain

$$(n-2)(\nabla_h k(p) + 2\omega_h k(p))g_{jk} - (n-2)(\nabla_j k(p) + 2\omega_j k(p))g_{hk}$$

= $k(p)[(n-3)(\pi_h U_{jk} - \pi_j U_{hk}) + (\pi_h U_i^i - U_h^i \pi_i)g_{jk} - (\pi_j U_i^i - \pi_i U_i^i)g_{hk}]$

Multiplying both sides of this expression by g^{jk} , then we have

$$(n-1)(n-2)(\nabla_h k(p) + 2\omega_h k(p)) = 2(n-2)k(p)(\pi_h U_p^p - U_h^p \pi_p)$$

From this equation above we obtain

$$\nabla_h k(p) = -2(\omega_h + s_h)k(p).$$

Consequently, from that we know $k(p) = \text{const if and only if } \omega_h = -s_h$. \Box

By Theorem 2.5, the expression (2) for the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric connection with a constant curvature satisfies

$$\nabla_k g_{ji} = -2s_k g_{ji}, T^k_{ij} = \pi_j U^k_i - \pi_i U^k_j \tag{13}$$

Similarly, the formula (3) shows

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{k} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} + s_{i}\delta_{j}^{k} + s_{j}\delta_{i}^{k} - g_{ij}s^{k} + \pi_{j}U_{i}^{k} - U_{ij}\pi^{k}$$
(14)

If the Riemannian manifold is an Einstein manifold, then we obtain

$$U_{jk} = \frac{\kappa}{n} g_{jk} \tag{15}$$

From the expression (15), we have

$$s_h = -\frac{\kappa}{n}\pi_h$$

Hence, for an Einstein manifold, the expression (13) shows

$$\nabla_k g_{ij} = \frac{2k}{n} \pi_k g_{ij}, T^k_{ij} = \frac{k}{n} (\pi_j \delta^k_i - \pi_i \delta^k_j) \tag{16}$$

Similarly, the formula (14) shows

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \{_{ij}^k\} - \frac{k}{n} \pi_i \delta_j^k \tag{17}$$

This connection was studied in [3].

From the expression (3), the coefficient of mutual connection ∇^m of the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ is

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{mr} = \{_{ij}^k\} - \omega_i \delta_j^k - \omega_j \delta_i^k + g_{ij} \omega^k + \pi_i U_j^k - U_{ij} \pi^k$$
(18)

This connection satisfies the relation

$$\nabla_{k}^{m} g_{ij} = 2\omega_{k} g_{ij} - 2\pi_{k} U_{ij} + U_{ki} \pi_{j} + U_{kj} \pi_{i}, \\ T_{ij}^{m^{k}} = \pi_{i} U_{j}^{k} - \pi_{j} U_{i}^{k}.$$
(19)

From the expressions (18) and (19), the coefficient of dual connection $\stackrel{m}{\nabla}$ of the mutual connection $\stackrel{m}{\nabla}$ is

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{m^k} = \{^k_{ij}\} + \omega_i \delta^k_j - \omega_j \delta^k_i + g_{ij} \omega^k - \pi_i U^k_j + \pi_j U^k_i.$$

$$(20)$$

On the other hand, in a Riemannian manifold the Weyl connection $\stackrel{\omega}{\nabla}$ satisfies the relation

$$\stackrel{w}{\nabla}_{k}g_{ij} = 2\omega_{k}g_{ij}, \stackrel{w^{k}}{T}_{ij} = 0.$$
(21)

and the coefficient of $\overset{\circ}{\nabla}$ is

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$$\Gamma_{ij}^{m^{*}} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} - \omega_i \delta_j^k - \omega_j \delta_i^k + g_{ij} \omega^k.$$
(22)

From the expressions (21) and (22), the coefficient of a dual connection $\stackrel{w}{\nabla}$ of the Weyl connection $\stackrel{w}{\nabla}$ is

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_{ij}^{k} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} + \omega_i \delta_j^k - \omega_j \delta_i^k + g_{ij} \omega^k.$$
(23)

Theorem 2.6. In a Riemannian manifold (M, g) the dual connection $\stackrel{m}{\nabla}$ of the mutual connection $\stackrel{m}{\nabla}$ of a Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ is projective equivalent to dual connection $\stackrel{w}{\nabla}$ of the Weyl connection $\stackrel{w}{\nabla}$.

Proof. From the expressions (20) and (23), we have

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_{(ij)}^{k} = \widehat{\Gamma}_{(ij)}^{k},$$

where (ij) expresses the symmetry of the indices. Hence the connection $\stackrel{m}{\nabla}$ has the same geodesic as $\stackrel{w}{\nabla}$. Thus the connection $\stackrel{\widehat{w}}{\nabla}$ is projective equivalent to the connection $\stackrel{w}{\nabla}$.

3. A Projective Ricci Quarter-Symmetric Metric Recurrent Connection

Definition 3.1. In a Riemannian manifold (M, g), a connection ∇^p is called a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection, if the ∇^p is projective equivalent to a Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇ .

In a Riemannian manifold (*M*, *g*), a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection ∇^p satisfies the relation

The local expression of this relation is

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \nabla_{k}g_{ij} = -2(\Psi_{k} - \omega_{k})g_{ij} - \Psi_{j}g_{ik} - \Psi_{i}g_{jk}, \\ p^{k} \\ T_{ij} = \pi_{j}U_{i}^{k} - \pi_{i}U_{j}^{k} \end{cases}$$
(24)

and the coefficient of ∇^p is

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$$\Gamma_{ij}^{p^{k}} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} + (\Psi_{i} - \omega_{i})\delta_{j}^{k} + (\Psi_{j} - \omega_{j})\delta_{i}^{k} + g_{ij}\omega^{k} + \pi_{j}U_{i}^{k} - U_{ij}\pi^{k}.$$
(25)

where Ψ_i is a projective component.

From (25), we find that the curvature tensor of $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is

$$\begin{split} \stackrel{p}{R_{ijk}}^{l} &= K_{ijk}^{l} + \delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{a}_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l} \stackrel{p}{a}_{jk} + g_{jk} \stackrel{p}{b}_{i}^{l} - g_{ik} \stackrel{p}{b}_{j}^{l} + U_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{c}_{ik} - U_{i}^{l} \stackrel{p}{c}_{jk} \\ &+ U_{ik}^{p} \stackrel{l}{d}_{j} - U_{jk} \stackrel{p}{d}_{i}^{l} + (\stackrel{p}{e}_{ij}^{l} - \stackrel{p}{e}_{ji}^{l}) \pi_{k} - (\stackrel{p}{e}_{ijk} - \stackrel{p}{e}_{jik}) \pi^{l} \\ &- \delta_{k}^{l} (\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji}) + \delta_{k}^{l} (\Psi_{ij} - \Psi_{ji}) \end{split}$$

$$\end{split}$$

$$(26)$$

where K_{ijk}^{l} is the curvature tensor of the Levi-Civita connection $\widetilde{\nabla}$, and the other notations are given as

$$\begin{cases} \stackrel{p}{a_{ik}} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}(\Psi_{k} - \omega_{k}) - (\Psi_{i} - \omega_{k})(\Psi_{k} - \omega_{k}) \\ + U_{ik}(\Psi_{p} - \omega_{p})\pi^{p} - U_{i}^{p}(\Psi_{p} - \omega_{p})\pi_{k} - g_{ik}(\Psi_{p} - \omega_{p})\omega^{p} \\ \stackrel{p}{b_{ik}} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\omega_{k} + \omega_{i}\omega_{k} + U_{ik}\omega_{p}\pi^{p} - U_{i}^{p}\omega_{p}\pi_{k} \\ \stackrel{p}{c_{ik}} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\pi_{k} - \pi_{i}(\Psi_{k} - \omega_{k}) - U_{i}^{p}\pi_{p}\pi_{k} + \frac{1}{2}U_{ik}\pi_{p}\pi^{p} \\ \stackrel{q}{d_{ik}} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\pi_{k} + \pi_{i}\omega_{k} - U_{ip}\pi^{p}\pi_{k} + \frac{1}{2}U_{ik}\pi_{p}\pi^{p} \\ \stackrel{p}{e_{ijk}} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}U_{jk} \\ \Psi_{ij} = \widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\Psi_{j} \end{cases}$$

$$(27)$$

Let

$$B_{ijk}{}^{l} = \delta_{i}^{l}a_{jk} + g_{jk}b_{i}^{p} - U_{i}^{l}c_{jk} - U_{jk}d_{i}^{p} + e_{ij}^{p}\pi_{k} - e_{ijk}^{p}\pi^{l} + \delta_{k}^{l}\Psi_{ij} - \delta_{k}^{l}\omega_{ij}$$

Then we get

$${\overset{p}{R}}_{ijk}^{l} = K_{ijk}^{l} + B_{jik}^{l} - B_{ijk}^{l}.$$

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So there exists the following.

Theorem 3.2. When $B_{jik}^{\ l} = B_{ijk}^{\ l}$, then the curvature tensor will keep unchanged under the connection transformation $\widetilde{\nabla} \rightarrow \overset{p}{\nabla}$.

From (25) and (26), the coefficient of dual connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ of the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_{ij}^{k} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} - (\Psi_i - \omega_i)\delta_j^k - (\Psi^k - \omega^k)g_{ij} - \omega_j\delta_i^k + \pi_j U_i^k - U_{ij}\pi^k.$$
(28)

By using the expression (28), the curvature tensor of dual connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is

$$\widehat{\widehat{P}}_{Rijk}^{p}{}^{l} = K_{ijk}{}^{l} + \delta_{i}^{p} \overleftarrow{b}_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} \overleftarrow{b}_{ik} + g_{ik} \overleftarrow{a}_{j}{}^{l} - g_{jk} \overleftarrow{a}_{i}{}^{l} + U_{i}^{l} \overrightarrow{d}_{ik} - U_{i}^{l} \overrightarrow{d}_{jk}
+ U_{ik} \overleftarrow{c}_{j}{}^{l} - U_{jk} \overleftarrow{c}_{i}{}^{l} + (\overrightarrow{e}_{ij}{}^{p} - \overrightarrow{e}_{ji}{}^{p}) \pi_{k} - (\overrightarrow{e}_{ijk}{}^{p} - \overrightarrow{e}_{jik}) \pi^{l}
+ \delta_{k}^{l} (\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji}) + \delta_{k}^{l} (\Psi_{ij} - \Psi_{ji})$$
(29)

From the expressions (26) and (29), we have

$$\widehat{\widehat{P}}_{R_{ijk}}^{p} = \widehat{R}_{ijk}^{p} + \delta_{i}^{l}(\widehat{a}_{jk}^{p} + \widehat{b}_{jk}^{p}) - \delta_{j}^{l}(\widehat{a}_{ik}^{p} + \widehat{b}_{ik}^{p}) + g_{ik}(\widehat{a}_{j}^{p} + \widehat{b}_{j}^{p}) - g_{jk}(\widehat{a}_{i}^{p} + \widehat{b}_{i}^{p})
+ U_{j}^{l}(\widehat{c}_{ik}^{p} + \widehat{d}_{ik}^{p}) - U_{i}^{l}(\widehat{c}_{jk}^{p} + \widehat{d}_{jk}^{p}) + U_{ik}(\widehat{c}_{j}^{p} + \widehat{d}_{j}^{p}) - U_{jk}(\widehat{c}_{i}^{p} + \widehat{d}_{i}^{p})
+ 2\delta_{k}^{l}(\Psi_{ij} - \Psi_{ji}) + 2\delta_{k}^{l}(\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji})$$
(30)

Let

$$D_{ijk}{}^{l} = \delta_{i}^{l} (\overset{p}{a}_{jk} + \overset{p}{b}_{jk}) + g_{ik} (\overset{p}{a}_{j}^{l} + \overset{p}{b}_{j}^{l}) + U_{j}^{l} (\overset{p}{c}_{ik} + \overset{p}{d}_{ik}) + U_{ik} (\overset{p}{c}_{j}^{l} + \overset{p}{d}_{j}^{l}) + 2\delta_{k}^{l} (\Psi_{ij} + \omega_{ij})$$

Then we get

$$R_{ijk}^{p} = R_{ijk}^{p} + D_{jik}^{l} - D_{ijk}^{l}.$$
(31)

So there exists the following.

Theorem 3.3. In the Riemannian manifold (M, g, ∇) , if 1-form Ψ and ω are of closed forms, then the Riemannian manifold is a quasi-Ricci(or volume) flat and if $D_{jik}^{l} = D_{ijk}^{l}$, then the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric recurrent connection ∇^{p} is a conjugate symmetry.

Proof. By using the contraction of the indices *k* and *l* in the expression (26) we have

$$\overset{p}{P}_{ij} = \widetilde{P}_{ij} + \overset{p}{a}_{ij} - \overset{p}{a}_{ji} + \overset{p}{b}_{ij} - \overset{p}{b}_{ji} + U^{k}_{j} \overset{p}{c}_{ik} - U^{k}_{ik} \overset{p}{c}_{jk} + U^{k}_{ik} \overset{p}{d}^{k}_{i} - U^{k}_{jk} \overset{p}{d}^{k}_{i}$$

$$+ (\overset{p^{k}}{e}_{ij} - \overset{p^{k}}{e}_{ji})\pi_{k} + (e_{jik} - e_{ijk})\pi^{k} + n(\Psi_{ij} - \Psi_{ji}) - n(\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji})$$

$$(32)$$

where $P_{ij} = R_{ijkl}g^{kl}$, $\widetilde{P}_{ij} = K_{ijkl}g^{kl} = 0$, and $e_{ij}^k \pi_k = e_{ijk}\pi^k$.

Using the expression (28), there holds the following

$$\begin{split} \overset{p}{a_{ij}} - \overset{p}{a_{ji}} &= (\Psi_{ij} - \Psi_{ji}) - (\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji}) - U_{i}^{p}(\Psi_{p} - \omega_{p})\pi_{j} + U_{j}^{p}(\Psi_{p} - \omega_{p})\pi_{i}, \\ \overset{p}{b_{ij}} - \overset{p}{b_{ji}} &= \omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji} - U_{i}^{p}\omega_{p}\pi_{j} + U_{j}^{p}\omega_{p}\pi_{i}, \\ U_{j}^{k}\overset{p}{c_{ik}} - U_{i}^{k}\overset{p}{c_{jk}} &= U_{j}^{k}\widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\pi_{k} - U_{i}^{k}\widetilde{\nabla}_{j}\pi_{k} - U_{j}^{k}(\Psi_{k} - \omega_{k})\pi_{i} + U_{i}^{k}(\Psi_{k} - \omega_{k})\pi_{j}, \\ U_{ik}^{k}\overset{p}{d_{j}}^{k} - U_{jk}^{k}\overset{p}{d_{i}}^{k} &= U_{ik}^{k}\widetilde{\nabla}_{j}\pi^{k} - U_{jk}\widetilde{\nabla}_{i}\pi^{k} + U_{ik}\omega^{k}\pi_{j} - U_{jk}\omega^{k}\pi_{i}, \\ e_{ij}^{k}\pi_{k} - e_{jk}^{k}\pi_{k} &= 0, \\ e_{iik}\pi^{k} - e_{ik}\pi^{k} &= 0. \end{split}$$

Substituting these expressions into the expression (32) and using 1-form Ψ and ω are of closed 1-forms, then $\stackrel{p}{P_{ij}} = 0$. Hence the Riemannian manifold (*M*, *g*, $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$) is a qusai-Ricci(or volume) flat.

On the other hand, from the expression (31) if $D_{jik}^{\ l} = D_{ijk}^{\ l}$, then $R_{ijk}^{\ l} = R_{ijk}^{\ l}$. Hence the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric recurrent connection is of conjugate symmetry.

Theorem 3.4. Suppose that $(M, g)(dim M \ge 3)$ is a connected Riemannian manifold associated with an isotropic Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent projective connection. If there holds

$$\Psi_h = 2(\omega_h + s_h) \tag{33}$$

then (M, g, ∇) is a constant curvature manifold, where $s_h = \frac{1}{n-1}T_{hp}^p$ (the Schur's theorem for the Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent projective connection)

Proof. Substituting the expression (11) into the second Bianchi identity of the curvature tensor of the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection, we get

$$\nabla_{h}^{p} R_{ijk}^{l} + \nabla_{i}^{p} R_{jhk}^{l} + \nabla_{j}^{p} R_{hik}^{l} = T_{hi}^{p} R_{jsk}^{l} + T_{ij}^{p} R_{hsk}^{l} + T_{jh}^{p} R_{hsk}^{p} R_{isk}^{l}$$

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then by using the expression (24) we have

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$$\begin{split} & \left[\nabla_{h}k(p) + (2\omega_{h} - \Psi_{h})k(p) \right] (\delta_{i}^{l}g_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l}g_{ik}) + \left[\nabla_{i}k(p) + (2\omega_{i} - \Psi_{i})k(p) \right] (\delta_{j}^{l}g_{hk} - \delta_{h}^{l}g_{jk}) \\ & + \left[\nabla_{j}k(p) + (2\omega_{j} - \Psi_{j})k(p) \right] (\delta_{h}^{l}g_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l}g_{hk}) \\ & = k(p) \Big[\pi_{h}(\delta_{i}^{l}U_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l}U_{ik} + U_{i}^{l}g_{jk} - U_{j}^{l}g_{ik}) + \pi_{i}(\delta_{j}^{l}U_{hk} - \delta_{h}^{l}U_{jk} + U_{j}^{l}g_{hk} - U_{h}^{l}g_{jk}) \\ & + \pi_{j}(\delta_{h}^{l}U_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l}U_{hk} + U_{h}^{l}g_{ik} - U_{i}^{l}g_{hk}) \Big] \end{split}$$

Contracting the indices *i* and *l*, we obtain

$$(n-1)\left[\nabla_{h}k(p) + (2\omega_{h} - \Psi_{h})k(p)\right]g_{jk} - (n-1)\left[\nabla_{j}k(p) + (2\omega_{j} - \Psi_{j})k(p)\right]g_{hk} + \left[\nabla_{j}k(p) + (2\omega_{j} - \Psi_{j})\right]g_{hk} - \left[\nabla_{h}k(p) + (2\omega_{h} - \Psi_{h})\right]g_{jk} = k(p)\left\{\pi_{h}[(n-2)U_{jk} + g_{jk}U_{s}^{s}] - \pi_{j}[(n-2)U_{hk} + g_{hk}U_{s}^{s}] + \pi_{j}U_{hk} - \pi_{h}U_{jk} + g_{hk}U_{j}^{s}\pi_{s} - g_{jk}U_{h}^{s}\pi_{s}\right\}$$

Multiplying both sides of this expression by g^{jk} , then we have

$$(n-1)(n-2)\left[\nabla_{h}k(p) + (2\omega_{h} - \Psi_{h})k(p)\right] = 2(n-2)k(p)(\pi_{h}U_{s}^{s} - \pi_{s}U_{h}^{s})$$

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From this equation above we obtain

$$\stackrel{p}{\nabla}_{h}k(p) = [\Psi_{h} - 2(\omega_{h} + s_{h})]k(p)$$

Consequently from that we know k(p) = const if and only if $\Psi_h = 2(\omega_h + s_h)$. \Box

Theorem 3.5. If an Einstein manifold $(M, g)(\dim M \ge 3)$ associated with a projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ has a constant curvature, then the Riemannian manifold $(M, g, \stackrel{p}{\nabla})$ is conformal flat.

Proof. Adding the expressions (26) and (29), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \overset{p}{R_{ijk}}^{l} + \overset{p}{R_{ijk}}^{l} &= 2K_{ijk}^{l} + \delta^{l}_{j}(\overset{p}{a_{ik}} - \overset{p}{b_{ik}}) - \delta^{l}_{i}(\overset{p}{a_{jk}} - \overset{p}{b_{jk}}) + g_{ik}(\overset{p}{a_{j}}^{l} - \overset{p}{b_{j}}^{l}) \\ &- g_{jk}(\overset{p}{a_{i}}^{l} - \overset{p}{b_{i}}^{l}) + U^{l}_{j}(\overset{p}{c_{ik}} + \overset{p}{d_{ik}}) - U^{l}_{i}(\overset{p}{c_{jk}} + \overset{p}{d_{jk}}) + U_{ik}(\overset{p}{c_{j}}^{l} + \overset{p}{d_{j}}^{l}) \\ &- U_{jk}(\overset{p}{c_{i}}^{l} + \overset{p}{d_{i}}^{l}) + 2(\overset{p}{e_{ij}}^{l} - \overset{p}{e_{ji}}^{l})\pi_{k} - 2(\overset{p}{e_{ijk}} - \overset{p}{e_{jik}})\pi^{l} \end{split}$$
(34)

From the assumption that a Riemannian manifold is an Einstein manifold, we have

$$U_{jk}=\frac{k}{n}g_{jk}.$$

Using this expression, from (27) we obtain

$$e_{ijk}^{p} = 0. ag{35}$$

Using these expressions, from the expression (34), we have

$$\widetilde{P}_{ijk}^{p} + R_{ijk}^{p} = 2K_{ijk}^{l} + \delta_{j}^{l}\alpha_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l}\alpha_{jk} + g_{ik}\alpha_{j}^{l} - g_{jk}\alpha_{i}^{l}$$
(36)

where $\alpha_{ik} = a_{ik} - b_{ik} + \frac{k}{n}(c_{ik} + d_{ik})$. Contracting the indices *i* and *l* of (36), we get

$${}^{p}_{jk} + {}^{p}_{jk} = 2K_{jk} - (n-2)\alpha_{jk} - g_{jk}\alpha_{i}^{i}$$
(37)

Multiplying both sides of (37) by g^{jk} , then we arrive at

$$\overset{p}{R} + \overset{p}{R} = 2K - 2(n-1)\alpha_i^i.$$

From this expression above we have

$$\alpha_{i}^{i} = \frac{1}{2(n-1)} [2K - (\overset{p}{R} + \overset{p}{R})]$$

Using the expression from (37), we have

$$\alpha_{jk} = \frac{1}{n-2} \Big\{ 2K_{jk} - (\overset{p}{R}_{jk} + \overset{p}{R}_{jk} - \frac{1}{2(n-1)}g_{jk}[2K - (\overset{p}{R} + \overset{p}{R})]) \Big\}$$

Substituting this expression into (36) and putting

$$\sum_{ijk}^{p} \sum_{jk}^{l} = R_{ijk}^{p} - \frac{1}{n-2} \left(\delta_{i}^{l} R_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} R_{ik}^{p} + g_{jk} R_{i}^{p} - g_{ik} R_{j}^{p} \right) + \frac{R_{ijk}^{p}}{(n-1)(n-2)} \left(\delta_{i}^{l} g_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} g_{ik} \right)$$

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$$\widehat{\overset{p}{C}}_{ijk}^{l} = \widehat{\overset{p}{R}}_{ijk}^{l} - \frac{1}{n-2} \Big(\delta_i^l \widehat{\overset{p}{R}}_{jk} - \delta_j^l \widehat{\overset{p}{R}}_{ik} + g_{jk} \widehat{\overset{p}{R}}_{i}^{l} - g_{ik} \widehat{\overset{p}{R}}_{j}^{l} \Big) + \frac{\widehat{\overset{p}{R}}}{(n-1)(n-2)} (\delta_i^l g_{jk} - \delta_j^l g_{ik})$$

$$\widetilde{C}_{ijk}^{l} = K_{ijk}^{\ l} - \frac{1}{n-2} \Big(\delta_{i}^{l} K_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} K_{ik} + g_{jk} K_{i}^{l} - g_{ik} K_{j}^{l} \Big) + \frac{K}{(n-1)(n-2)} (\delta_{i}^{l} g_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} g_{ik}) + \frac{K}{(n-1)(n-2)} (\delta_{i}^{l} g_{ik} - \delta_{i}^{l} g_{ik}) + \frac{K}{(n-1)(n-2)} (\delta_{i}^{l} g_{ik}) +$$

then by a direct computation, we obtain

$$\sum_{ijk}^{p} \sum_{jk}^{l} + \widehat{C}_{ijk}^{l} = 2\widetilde{C}_{ijk}^{l}$$
(38)

By using the fact that $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ has a constant curvature, thus we have $\stackrel{p}{C_{ijk}} = \stackrel{l}{C_{ijk}} = 0$. Hence, one gets

 $\widetilde{C}_{ijk}^{l}=0.$

This means that the Riemannian manifold $(M, g, \widetilde{\nabla})$ is of conformal flat. \Box

Theorem 3.6. The projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ on an Einstein manifold $(M, g)(\dim M \ge 3)$ is a conjugate symmetry if and only if it is a conjugate Ricci symmetry and conjugate volume symmetry.

Proof. From (26) and (29), we get

$$\widehat{R}_{ijk}^{p} = \widehat{R}_{ijk}^{p} + \delta_i^l \beta_{jk} - \delta_j^l \beta_{ik} + g_{ik} \beta_j^l - g_{jk} \beta_i^l + 2\delta_k^l \gamma_{ij}$$
(39)

where $\beta_{jk} = a_{jk}^p + b_{jk}^p + \frac{K}{n}(c_{jk}^p + d_{jk}^p)$, $\gamma_{ij} = (\omega_{ij} - \omega_{ji}) - (\Psi_{ij} - \Psi_{ji})$. By using contraction of indices *i* and *l* of (39), we obtain

$${}^{p}_{R_{jk}} = {}^{p}_{R_{jk}} + n\beta_{jk} - g_{jk}\beta^{i}_{i} - 2\gamma_{jk}.$$
(40)

Alternating the indices k and j of this expression, we obtain

$$\widehat{p}_{jk} - \widehat{R}_{kj} = p_{jk} - R_{kj} + n(\beta_{jk} - \beta_{kj}) - 4\gamma_{jk}$$

On one hand, contracting the indices k and l of (39) and changing index i for j, index j for k, we get

$$\widehat{P}_{jk} = P_{jk} + 2(\beta_{jk} - \beta_{kj}) - 2n\gamma_{jk}$$

From these expressions above we have

$$\gamma_{jk} = \frac{1}{2(n^2 - 4)} \Big\{ 2 \Big[(\stackrel{\widehat{p}}{P}_{jk} - \stackrel{\widehat{p}}{P}_{kj}) - (\stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{kj}) \Big] + n(\stackrel{\widehat{p}}{R}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{jk}) \Big\}$$

Using this expression, from (40) we have

$$\beta_{jk} = \frac{1}{n} \Big(\widehat{\stackrel{p}{R}}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} + g_{jk} \beta_i^i + \frac{1}{n^2 - 4} \Big\{ 2 \Big[(\widehat{\stackrel{p}{P}}_{jk} - \widehat{\stackrel{p}{P}}_{kj}) - (\stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{kj}) \Big] + n (\widehat{\stackrel{p}{R}}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{jk}) \Big\} \Big)$$

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Substituting the above two expressions into (39), we obtain

$$\begin{split} & \stackrel{p}{R_{ijk}}^{l} - \frac{1}{n} (\delta_{i}^{l} \stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{R}_{ik} + g_{ik} \stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l} - g_{jk} \stackrel{p}{R}_{i}^{l}) - \frac{2}{n(n^{2} - 4)} [\delta_{i}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{kj}) \\ & -\delta_{j}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{ik} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{ki}) + g_{ik} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{.j}^{l}) - g_{jk} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{i}^{l} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{.i}^{l}) + n\delta_{k}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{ij} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{ji})] \\ & -\frac{1}{n^{2} - 4} (\delta_{i}^{l} \stackrel{p}{P}_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{P}_{ik} + g_{ik} \stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l} - g_{jk} \stackrel{p}{R}_{i}^{l}) - \frac{2}{n(n^{2} - 4)} [\delta_{i}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{ji})] \\ & = \stackrel{p}{R}_{ijk}^{l} - \frac{1}{n} (\delta_{i}^{l} \stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{R}_{ik} + g_{ik} \stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l} - g_{jk} \stackrel{p}{R}_{i}^{l}) - \frac{2}{n(n^{2} - 4)} [\delta_{i}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{jk} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{kj}) \\ & -\delta_{j}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{ik} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{ki}) + g_{ik} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{.j}^{l}) - g_{jk} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{i}^{l} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{.i}^{l}) + n\delta_{k}^{l} (\stackrel{p}{R}_{ij} - \stackrel{p}{R}_{ji})] \\ & -\frac{1}{n^{2} - 4} (\delta_{i}^{l} \stackrel{p}{P}_{jk} - \delta_{j}^{l} \stackrel{p}{P}_{ik} + g_{ik} \stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{l} - g_{jk} \stackrel{p}{P}_{i}^{l} + n\delta_{k}^{l} \stackrel{p}{P}_{ij}) \end{split}$$

From this expression we arrive at $R_{ijk}^{\ l} = \widehat{R}_{ijk}^{\ l}$ if and only if $R_{jk} = \widehat{R}_{jk}$, $P_{jk} = \widehat{P}_{jk}$. Where $\stackrel{p}{R}_{j}^{\ l} = \stackrel{p}{R}_{js}g^{sl}$, $\stackrel{p}{R}_{\cdot j}^{\ l} = \stackrel{p}{R}_{sj}g^{sl}$. This ends the proof of Theorem 3.6. \Box

From the expression (25), the coefficient of mutual connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ of the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{k} = \{_{ij}^{k}\} - (\Psi_i - \omega_i)\delta_j^k + (\Psi^j - \omega^j)\delta_i^k + g_{ij}\omega^k + \pi_i U_j^k - U_{ij}\pi^k.$$
(41)

This connection satisfies the relation

$$\nabla_k g_{ij} = -2(\Psi_k - \omega_k)g_{ij} - \Psi_i g_{jk} - \Psi_j g_{ik} - 2\pi_k U_{ij} + U_{ik}\pi_j + U_{jk}\pi_i$$
⁽⁴²⁾

$$T_{ij}^{m^k} = \pi_i U_j^k - \pi_j U_i^k$$
(43)

From the expressions (41) and (42), the coefficient of dual connection ∇^{pm} of the mutual connection ∇^{pm} is

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{pm} = \{ _{ij}^k \} - (\Psi_i - \omega_i) \delta_j^k - (\Psi^k - \omega^k) g_{ij} - \omega_j \delta_i^k - \pi_i U_j^k + U_{ij} \pi^k.$$
(44)

On the other hand, the coefficient of a dual connection ∇ of the Weyl projective connection ∇ is given as

$$\Gamma_{ij}^{p\omega} = \{_{ij}^k\} - (\Psi_i - \omega_i)\delta_j^k - (\Psi^k - \omega^k)g_{ij} - \omega_j\delta_i^k.$$
(45)

Theorem 3.7. In a Riemannian manifold the dual connection $\stackrel{pm}{\nabla}$ of the mutual connection $\stackrel{pm}{\nabla}$ of the projective Ricci quarter-symmetric metric recurrent connection $\stackrel{p}{\nabla}$ is projective equivalent to dual connection $\stackrel{pm}{\nabla}$ of the Weyl projective connection $\stackrel{pw}{\nabla}$.

Proof. From the expressions (44) and (45), we have

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_{(ij)}^{k} = \widehat{\Gamma}_{(ij)}^{k}$$

Hence, the connection ∇ has the same geodesic as ∇ . Thus the connection ∇ is projective equivalent to the connection ∇ . \Box

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