# NEARLY SASAKIAN MANIFOLD SATISFYING A CERTAIN CURVATURE CONDITION

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### 0. Introduction

The notion of nearly Sasakian manifold was introduced in [1] and Z-Olszak has studied certain properties in [2] and [3].

In section (2) of this paper, we show that a nearly Sasakian manifold M admitting  $\Gamma_{ji}^h$  such that  $\nabla_1 R_{kji}^h = 0$  is of constant scalar curvature and the covariant derivate of the Ricci tensor of M is a symmetric tensor.

In the last section, we shall deal with a recurrent and conformal recurrent nearly Sasakian manifold.

#### 1. Preliminaries

Let M be a (2n+1)-dimensional almost contact metric manifold, i.e., a Riemannian manifold together with a metric tensor g and tensor field F of type (1.1) and v a vector field, which satisfy

$$\begin{split} F_a{}^hF_j{}^a &= -\delta_j{}^h + v_jv^h, \quad v_j = g_{ja}v^a, \, v_av^a = 1, \\ F_j{}^aF_i{}^bg_{ab} &= g_{ji} - v_jv_i, \, F_a{}^iv^a = 0. \end{split}$$

It is well-known that in this condition the tensor field  $F_{ji} = F_j^a g_{ai}$  is skew-symmetric.

The almost contact metric manifold M is called a nearly Sasakian manifold if

$$(1.1) V_k F_{ii} + V_i F_{ki} = -2g_{ki} v_i + g_{ki} v_i + g_{ii} v_k,$$

where  $\nabla$  denotes the Riemannian connection with respect to the Christoffel symbols formed with  $g_{ji}$ .

Moreover, M satisfies

$$\nabla_k F_{ji} = -g_{kj} v_i + g_{ki} v_j$$

then it is called Sasakian, Thus, every Sasakian manifold is nearly Sasakian. The converse statement fails in general.

Supposing that M is nearly Sasakian manifold, the vector field  $v^h$  is a killing, that is, [1]

We define the skew-symmetric tensor field  $H_{ji}$  by putting

A nearly Sasakian manifold M is Sasakian if and only if M satisfies the condition  $H_{ii}=0$ . [2]

Set 
$$H_j^i = H_{ja}g^{ai}, H^{ji} = g^{ja}H_a^i,$$
$$F^{ji} = g^{ja}F_a^i.$$

In a nearly Sasakian manifold M, the following relations holds [3].

(1.4) 
$$(\nabla_{j}F_{ia})v^{a} = -g_{ji} + v_{j}v_{i} - H_{ja}F_{i}^{a},$$

$$(1.5) H_{ia}F_{i}^{a} + H_{ia}F_{i}^{a} = 0,$$

$$(1.6) H_a{}^i v^a = 0,$$

$$(1.7) K_{akji}v^a = -\nabla_k F_{ji} - \nabla_k H_{ji}$$

$$= (g_{kj} + H_{ka}H_j^a)v_i - (g_{ki} + H_{ka}H_i^a)v_j,$$

$$(1.0) \qquad \qquad V = (0.11 + H_{ka})v_j - H_{ka}H_i^a$$

(1.8) 
$$K_{ai}v^a = (2n + H_{ba}H^{ba})v_i, H_{ba}H^{ba} = \text{constant},$$

$$(1.9) v^a \nabla_a K_{kjih} = 0,$$

$$(1.10) K_{ja}F_{i}^{a} + K_{ia}F_{j}^{a} = 0,$$

where  $K_{kjih}$  and  $K_{ji}$  are the curvature tensor and the Ricci tensor of M, respectively.

In a nearly Sasakian manifold, the following theorems are well known ([3]).

THEOREM A. If M is conformally flat, then dim M=5 and M is of constant curvature.

THEOREM B. If M satisfies  $\nabla_m \nabla_l K_{kjih} - \nabla_l \nabla_m K_{kjih} = 0$ , then dim M=5 and M is of constant curvature.

## 2. Semi-symmetric metric connection

In a Reimannian manifold M with a metric  $g_{ji}$ , we can take a semisymmetric metric connection with connection coefficient  $\Gamma_{ji}^{h}$  [4] given by

$$\Gamma_{ji}{}^h = \left\{ egin{aligned} h \ j & i \end{aligned} 
ight\} + \delta_j{}^h p_i - g_{ji} p^h, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\begin{cases} h \\ j \end{cases}$  are Christoffel symbols of M,  $P_i$  is a gradient vector and  $p^h = g^{hk}p_k$ .

The curvature tensor  $R_{kji}{}^h$  of  $\Gamma_{ji}{}^h$  and  $K_{kji}{}^h$  of  $\begin{Bmatrix} h \\ j \end{Bmatrix}$  are related in such a way that

$$(2.1) R_{kji}{}^{h} = K_{kji}{}^{h} - A_{ji}\delta_{k}{}^{h} + A_{ki}\delta_{j}{}^{h} - g_{ji}A_{k}{}^{h} + g_{ki}A_{j}{}^{h},$$

where  $A_{ji}$  is a tensor of type (0.2) defined by

$$A_{ji} = \nabla_{j} p_{i} - p_{j} p_{i} + \frac{1}{2} g_{ji} p_{k} p^{k}$$
, and  $A_{k}^{h} = g^{hl} A_{kl}$ .

We consider a nerarly Sasakian manifold M admitting  $\Gamma_{ji}^h$  such that  $\nabla_1 R_{kji}^h = 0$ Then we have

$$(2.2) V_1 K_{kji}{}^h - V_1 A_{ji} \delta_k{}^h + V_1 A_{ki} \delta_j{}^h - g_{ji} V_1 A_k{}^h + g_{ki} V_1 A_j{}^h = 0.$$

Contracting with respect to h and k we get

(2.3) 
$$\nabla_1 K_{ji} - (2n-1) \nabla_1 A_{ji} - g_{ji} \nabla_1 B = 0,$$

where  $B = g^{ab}A_{ab}$ . Transvecting (2.3) with  $g^{ji}$ , we have

where  $K = g^{ji}K_{ji}$ . Substituting (2.4) into (2.3), we get

$$(2.5) V_1 A_{ji} = \{ \nabla_1 K_{ji} - g_{ji} \nabla_1 K/4n \} / (2n-1),$$

from which

(2.6) 
$$\nabla_1 A_j^{1} = \{ \nabla_1 K_j^{1} - \nabla_j K / 4n \} / (2n-1).$$

Contracting with respect to 1 and h in (2.2), and using (2.5), (2.6) and the well-known relations

(2.7) 
$$\nabla_1 K_{kji}^1 = \nabla_k K_{ji} - \nabla_j K_{ki}, \ \nabla_l K_k^l = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_k K,$$

we obtain that

$$(2.8) \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} K_{ii} - \nabla_{i} K_{ki} = (g_{ii} \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} K - g_{ki} \nabla_{i} K) / 4n.$$

From (1.9), we find

$$(2.9) v^a \nabla_a K_{ii} = 0, v^a \nabla_a K = 0.$$

Moreover, transvecting (2.8) with  $v^k$  and using (2.9), we obtain

$$(2.10) v^a \nabla_j K_{ai} = \frac{1}{4n} v_i \nabla_j K.$$

On the other hand, we get

$$v^{a} \nabla_{j} K_{ai} + K_{ai} \nabla_{j} v^{a} = \nabla_{j} (K_{ai} v^{a})$$

$$= (2n + H_{ba} H^{ba}) \nabla_{i} v_{i},$$

from which

(2.11) 
$$v^{a}\nabla_{j}K_{ai} = (2n + H_{ba}H^{ba})(F_{ji} + H_{ji}) - K_{ai}(F_{j}^{a} + H_{j}^{a})$$

by virtue of (1.3) and (1.8).

Substituting (2.11) into (2.10), and contracting with  $v^i$ , we have

$$-(2n+H_{ba}H^{ba})v_a(F_j{}^a+H_j{}^a)=\frac{1}{4n}\nabla_jK.$$

Consquently, we get

$$(2.12) \nabla_i K = 0.$$

Thus we have

THEOREM 2. 1. A nearly Sasakian manifold M admitting  $\Gamma_{ji}^h$  such that  $\nabla_l R_{kji}^h = 0$  is of constant scalar curvature.

Since K is constant, from (2.8), we have  $\nabla_k K_{ji} - \nabla_j K_{ki} = 0$ . That is, the tensor  $\nabla_k K_{ji}$  is a symmetric tensor. Thus we have

THEOREM 2. 2. In a nearly Sasakian manifold M admitting  $\Gamma_{ji}^h$  such that  $\nabla_l R_{kji}^h = 0$ , the covariant derivate of the Ricci tensor of M is a symmetric tensor.

### 3. Some theorems on nearly Sasakian manifolds

We assume that a nearly Sasakian manifold has the vanishing Ricci tensor  $K_{ji}$ . Then, from (1.7), we have

$$(2n+H_{ba}H^{ba})v_i=0,$$

which is in consistent with such an assumption as the vector  $v_i$  is a unit vector. Similarly, if we assume that a nearly Sasakian manifold is a locally flat, i.e.,  $K_{kji}{}^{h}=0$ , then we have

$$(2n+H_{ba}H^{ba})v_i=0$$

which, by virtue of (1.8).

Thus we have

LEMMA 3.1. In a nearly Sasakian manifold, the Ricci curvature tensor does not vanish. Especially, a nearly Sasakian manifold is not flat.

Let M be a recurrent nearly Sasakian manifold, i.e.,

where  $x_m$  is a non-zero covariant vector.

From (3.1), we get

Thus we have from Theorem B, Lemma 3.1 and (3.2)

THEOREM 3.2. A necessary and sufficient condition for a recurrent nearly Sasakian manifold to be a space of constant curvature is that the recurrent vector is a gradient one.

Let a tensor field  $C_{kji}^h$  be the Weyl conformal curvature tensor in an almost contact metric manifold.

Then, by definition [6],  $C_{kji}^h$  is given by

$$(3.3) C_{kji}{}^{h} = K_{kji}{}^{h} + \delta_{k}{}^{h}L_{ji} - \delta_{j}{}^{h}L_{ki} + L_{k}{}^{h}g_{ji} - L_{j}{}^{h}g_{ki},$$

where

$$L_{ji} = -\frac{K_{ji}}{2n-1} + \frac{Kg_{ji}}{4n(2n-1)}$$
.

We shall consider a conformally recurrent nearly Sasakian manifold, that is,

$$(3.4) V_m C_{kji}{}^h = x_m C_{kji}{}^h$$

for a certain non-zero covariant vector field  $x_m$ .

In view of (1.9), we get

(3.5) 
$$v^a \nabla_a K_{ji} = 0, \quad v^a \nabla_a K = 0,$$

from which

$$(3.6) v^a \nabla_a L_{ji} = 0.$$

Differentiating (3.3) covariantly and transvecting with  $v^m$ , we get

$$v^a x_a C_{kjih} = 0,$$

by virtue of (3.4), (3.5) and (3.6).

From Theorem A and (3.7), we have

THEOREM 3.3. The conformal recurrent nearly Sasakian manifold M is one of the following cases;

- (I) M is of constant curvature and dim M=5,
- (II) the structure vector is orthogonal to the recurrent vector.

Next we assume that the following condition satisfies

$$(3.8) L(v)F_i^h = 0,$$

where L(v) is Lie derivative with respect to  $v^h$ .

The equation (3.8) may be written as

$$L(v)F_i{}^h = v^t \nabla_t F_i{}^h - F_i{}^t \nabla_t v^h + F_t{}^h \nabla_i v^t = 0$$

from which follows

$$v^t \nabla_t F_{ih} - F_i^t \nabla_t v_h - F_h^t \nabla_i v_t = 0.$$

From (2.3), we get

$$v^t \nabla_t F_{ih} + F_i^t \nabla_h v_t - F_h^t \nabla_i v_t = 0$$

or

$$v^t \nabla_t F_{ih} - (\nabla_h F_{i}^t) v_t + (\nabla_i F_{h}^t) v_t = 0$$

by virtue of  $F_i{}^t(\nabla_h v_t) = -(\nabla_h F_i{}^t)v_t$ .

On account of (1.1), (1.4) and (1.5), we have

$$H_{ja}F_{i}^{a}=0,$$

that is,  $H_{ji}=0$ .

Thus we have

Theorem 3.4. If  $L(v)F_i{}^h=0$  in a nearly Sasakian manifold M, then M is a Sasakian manifold.

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