ON SOME CLASSES OF GENERALIZED QUASI-EINSTEIN MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. The object of the present paper is to study the generalized quasi-Einstein manifolds satisfying some conditions. Finally the existence of such manifolds is ensured by several interesting examples.

1. Introduction

The notion of quasi-Einstein manifolds was introduced by M. C. Chaki and R. K. Maity [1]. A Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g)(n > 2)$ is said to be quasi-Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S of type (0, 2) is not identically zero and satisfies the following:

(1.1)
$$S(X,Y) = \alpha g(X,Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y),$$

where α, β are scalars of which $\beta \neq 0$ and A is a nowhere vanishing 1-form defined by $g(X, \rho) = A(X)$ for all vector fields X; ρ being a unit vector field, called the generator of the manifold. An n-dimensional manifold of this kind is denoted by $(QE)_n$. The scalars α, β are known as the associated scalars.

As a generalization of quasi-Einstein manifold, in [2], U. C. De and G. C. Ghosh introduced the notion of generalized quasi-Einstein manifold. A Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g)(n \ge 3)$ is said to be generalized quasi-Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S of type (0, 2) is not identically zero and satisfies the following:

(1.2)
$$S(X,Y) = \alpha g(X,Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y) + \gamma B(X)B(Y),$$

where α, β, γ are scalars of which $\beta \neq 0, \gamma \neq 0$ and A, B are nowhere vanishing 1-forms such that $g(X, \rho) = A(X), g(X, \mu) = B(X)$ for all vector fields X. The unit vectors ρ and μ corresponding to the 1-forms A and B are orthogonal to each other. Also ρ and μ are known as the generators of the manifold. Such an *n*-dimensional manifold is denoted by $G(QE)_n$.

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The present paper deals with $G(QE)_n$ satisfying some conditions. The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 is concerned with the preliminaries. Section 3 is devoted to the study of Ricci-pseudosymmetric $G(QE)_n$. In Sections 4– 7, we investigate the $G(QE)_n(n > 3)$ satisfying the conditions $C \cdot S = 0$, $\tilde{C} \cdot S = 0$, $W \cdot S = 0$ and $P \cdot S = 0$, where C, \tilde{C}, W and P respectively denote the conformal curvature tensor, concircular curvature tensor, quasi-conformal curvature tensor and projective curvature tensor. Then it is proved that in each of the case, either the associated scalars β and γ are equal or the curvature tensor R satisfies a definite condition.

In Section 8, we study conformally flat Ricci-semisymmetric $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ and it is shown that if in a conformally flat Ricci-semisymmetric $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$, $\frac{r}{n-1}$ is not an eigenvalue of the Ricci-operator, then either the associated scalars β and γ are equal or the vector fields ρ and μ corresponding to the 1-forms A and B are co-directional. The last section provides the existence of proper $G(QE)_n$.

2. Preliminaries

In this section we will obtain some formulas of $G(QE)_n$, which will be required in the sequel. Let $\{e_i : i = 1, 2, ..., n\}$ be an orthonormal frame field at any point of $G(QE)_n$. Then setting $X = Y = e_i$ in (1.2) and taking summation over $i, 1 \le i \le n$, we obtain

(2.1)
$$r = n\alpha + \beta + \gamma$$

where r is the scalar curvature of the manifold. Also, from (1.2), we have

(2.2)
$$S(\rho, \rho) = \alpha + \beta,$$

$$(2.3) S(\mu,\mu) = \alpha + \gamma$$

and

$$(2.4) S(\rho,\mu) = 0$$

Let Q be the Ricci-operator, i.e., g(QX, Y) = S(X, Y) for all X, Y.

3. Ricci-pseudosymmetric $G(QE)_n$

An *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is called Ricci-pseudosymmetric [4] if the tensors $R \cdot S$ and Q(g, S) are linearly dependent, where

(3.1)
$$(R(X,Y) \cdot S)(Z,U) = -S(R(X,Y)Z,U) - S(Z,R(X,Y)U),$$

(3.2)
$$Q(g,S)(Z,U;X,Y) = -S((X \wedge_g Y)Z,U) - S(Z,(X \wedge_g Y)U),$$

and

(3.3)
$$(X \wedge_q Y)Z = g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y$$

for all vector fields X, Y, Z, U of M, R denotes the curvature tensor of M.

Then (M^n, g) is Ricci-pseudosymmetric if and only if

$$(3.4) \qquad (R(X,Y) \cdot S)(Z,U) = L_S Q(g,S)(Z,U;X,Y)$$

holds on $U_s = \{x \in M : S \neq \frac{r}{n}g \text{ at } x\}$, where L_S is some function on U_S . If $R \cdot S = 0$, then M^n is called Ricci-semisymmetric. Every Ricci-semisymmetric manifold is Ricci-pseudosymmetric but the converse is not true [4].

In [2] De and Ghosh studied a Ricci-semisymmetric $G(QE)_n$. We now consider a Ricci-pseudosymmetric $G(QE)_n$. Then, from (3.1)–(3.4), we can write

(3.5)
$$S(R(X,Y)Z,U) + S(Z,R(X,Y)U) \\ = L_S[g(Y,Z)S(X,U) - g(X,Z)S(Y,U) \\ +g(Y,U)S(X,Z) - g(X,U)S(Y,Z)].$$

Using (1.2) in (3.5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (3.6) \qquad & \beta[A(R(X,Y)Z)A(U) + A(Z)A(R(X,Y)U)] \\ & +\gamma[B(R(X,Y)Z)B(U) + B(Z)B(R(X,Y)U)] \\ = & L_S[\beta\{g(Y,Z)A(X)A(U) - g(X,Z)A(Y)A(U) + g(Y,U)A(X)A(Z) \\ & -g(X,U)A(Y)A(Z)\} + \gamma\{g(Y,Z)B(X)B(U) \\ & -g(X,Z)B(Y)B(U) + g(Y,U)B(X)B(Z) - g(X,U)B(Y)B(Z)\}]. \end{aligned}$$

Setting $Z = \rho$ and $U = \mu$ in (3.6), we get

(3.7)
$$(\gamma - \beta)[R(X, Y, \rho, \mu) - L_S\{A(Y)B(X) - A(X)B(Y)\}] = 0,$$

which yields either $\beta = \gamma$ or

(3.8)
$$R(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = L_S\{A(Y)B(X) - A(X)B(Y)\}.$$

Hence we can state the following:

Theorem 3.1. In a Ricci-pseudosymmetric $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$, either the associated scalars β and γ are equal or the curvature tensor R of the manifold satisfies the relation (3.8).

Corollary 3.1. In a Ricci-semisymmetric $G(QE)_n(n > 3)$, the associated scalars β and γ are equal [2].

4. $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ satisfying the condition $C \cdot S = 0$

The Weyl conformal curvature tensor C of type (1,3) of an *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g)(n > 3)$ is defined by [3]

(4.1)
$$C(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z - \frac{1}{n-2}[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY] + \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)}\{g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y\}.$$

We now consider a $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ satisfying the condition $C \cdot S = 0$. Then we have

(4.2)
$$S(C(X,Y)Z,U) + S(Z,C(X,Y)U) = 0.$$

Using (1.2) in (4.2), we obtain

(4.3)
$$\beta[A(C(X,Y)Z)A(U) + A(Z)A(C(X,Y)U)] + \gamma[B(C(X,Y)Z)B(U) + B(Z)B(C(X,Y)U)] = 0.$$

Setting $Z = \rho$ and $U = \mu$ in (4.3), we get

(4.4)
$$(\gamma - \beta)C(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = 0.$$

From (4.4), it follows that either $\beta = \gamma$ or

$$C(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = 0,$$

which further yields

(4.5)
$$R(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = \frac{1}{n-2} [A(QY)B(X) - A(X)B(QY) + A(Y)B(QX) - A(QX)B(Y)] - \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)} \{A(Y)B(X) - A(X)B(Y)\}.$$

Hence we can state the following:

Theorem 4.1. If a $G(QE)_n(n > 3)$ satisfies the condition $C \cdot S = 0$, then either the associated scalars β and γ are equal or the curvature tensor R of the manifold satisfies the property (4.5).

5.
$$G(QE)_n (n > 3)$$
 satisfying the condition $\tilde{C} \cdot S = 0$

The concircular curvature tensor \tilde{C} of type (1,3) of an *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g)(n > 3)$ is defined by [3]

(5.1)
$$\tilde{C}(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z - \frac{r}{n(n-1)}[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y]$$

for any vector fields $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$. Let us consider a $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ satisfying the condition $\tilde{C} \cdot S = 0$. Then we have

(5.2)
$$S(\tilde{C}(X,Y)Z,U) + S(Z,\tilde{C}(X,Y)U) = 0.$$

By virtue of (1.2), it follows from (5.2) that

(5.3)
$$\beta[A(\tilde{C}(X,Y)Z)A(U) + A(Z)A(\tilde{C}(X,Y)U)] + \gamma[B(\tilde{C}(X,Y)Z)B(U) + B(Z)B(\tilde{C}(X,Y)U)] = 0.$$

Putting $Z = \rho$ and $U = \mu$ in (5.3), we get

(5.4)
$$(\gamma - \beta)[R(X, Y, \rho, \mu) - \frac{r}{n(n-1)} \{A(Y)B(X) - A(X)B(Y)\}] = 0.$$

This leads to the following:

Theorem 5.1. In a $G(QE)_n(n > 3)$ with $\tilde{C} \cdot S = 0$, either the associated scalars β and γ are equal or the curvature tensor R of the manifold satisfies the following property

(5.5)
$$R(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = \frac{r}{n(n-1)} \{A(Y)B(X) - A(X)B(Y)\}.$$

6.
$$G(QE)_n (n > 3)$$
 satisfying the condition $W \cdot S = 0$

In 1968, Yano and Sawaki [5] defined and studied a curvature tensor W of type (1,3) which includes both the conformal curvature tensor C and the concircular curvature tensor \tilde{C} as special cases and is called quasi-conformal curvature tensor. The quasi-conformal curvature tensor W of type (1, 3) of a manifold $(M^n, g)(n > 3)$ is defined by

(6.1)
$$W(X,Y)Z = -(n-2)bC(X,Y)Z + [a+(n-2)b]\tilde{C}(X,Y)Z,$$

where a and b are arbitrary constants not simultaneously zero. In particular, if a = 1, b = 0, then W reduces to the concircular curvature tensor and if a = 1 and $b = -\frac{1}{(n-2)}$, then W reduces to the conformal curvature tensor. Using the expression of the conformal and the concircular curvature tensor in (6.1), the quasi-conformal curvature tensor W of type (1, 3) can be written as

(6.2)
$$W(X,Y)Z = aR(X,Y)Z + b[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY] - \frac{r}{n} \left(\frac{a}{n-1} + 2b\right) \{g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y\}.$$

We now consider a $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ satisfying the condition $W \cdot S = 0$. Then we have

(6.3)
$$S(W(X,Y)Z,U) + S(Z,W(X,Y)U) = 0.$$

In view of (1.2), (6.3) yields

(6.4)
$$\beta[A(W(X,Y)Z)A(U) + A(Z)A(W(X,Y)U)] + \gamma[B(W(X,Y)Z)B(U) + B(Z)B(W(X,Y)U)] = 0.$$

Substituting $Z = \rho$ and $U = \mu$ in (6.4), we obtain

(6.5)
$$(\gamma - \beta)W(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = 0.$$

From (6.5), it follows that either $\beta = \gamma$ or

$$W(X, Y, \rho, \mu) = 0,$$

which implies that

$$\begin{array}{lll} (6.6) & aR(X,Y,\rho,\mu) & = & -b[A(QY)B(X) - A(QX)B(Y) \\ & & +A(Y)B(QX) - A(X)B(QY)] \\ & & + \frac{r}{n} \bigg(\frac{a}{n-1} + 2b \bigg) \{A(Y)B(X) - A(X)B(Y)\}. \end{array}$$

Thus we can state the following:

Theorem 6.1. If a $G(QE)_n$ (n > 3) satisfies the condition $W \cdot S = 0$, then either the associated scalars β and γ are equal or the curvature tensor R of the manifold satisfies the property (6.6).

7. $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ satisfying the condition $P \cdot S = 0$

The Weyl projective curvature tensor P of type (1,3) of an *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g)(n > 3)$ is defined by [3]

(7.1)
$$P(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z - \frac{1}{n-1}[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y]$$

for any vector fields X, Y, $Z \in \chi(M)$. Let us take a $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ with $P \cdot S = 0$. Then we get

(7.2)
$$S(P(X,Y)Z,U) + S(Z,P(X,Y)U) = 0.$$

Using (1.2) in (7.2), we get

(7.3)
$$\alpha[\tilde{P}(X, Y, Z, U) + \tilde{P}(X, Y, U, Z)] + \beta[A(P(X, Y)Z)A(U) + A(Z)A(P(X, Y)U)] + \gamma[B(P(X, Y)Z)B(U) + B(Z)B(P(X, Y)U)] = 0,$$

where $\tilde{P}(X, Y, Z, U) = g(P(X, Y)Z, U)$. Setting $Z = \rho$ and $U = \mu$ in (7.3), we get

(7.4)
$$(\alpha + \gamma) \tilde{P}(X, Y, \rho, \mu) + (\alpha + \beta) \tilde{P}(X, Y, \mu, \rho) = 0.$$

In view of (7.1), we have from (7.4) that

(7.5)
$$(n-1)(\gamma-\beta)R(X,Y,\rho,\mu)$$
$$= (\alpha+\gamma)\{A(QY)B(X) - A(QX)B(Y)\} + (\alpha+\beta)\{A(X)B(QY) - A(Y)B(QX)\},$$

provided $\gamma - \beta \neq 0$. This leads to the following:

Theorem 7.1. If a $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ satisfies the condition $P \cdot S = 0$, then the curvature tensor R of the manifold satisfies the property (7.5), provided $\beta \neq \gamma$.

8. Conformally flat $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$ with $R(X, Y) \cdot S = 0$

Let us consider a conformally flat $G(QE)_n (n > 3)$. Then, from (4.1), we get

(8.1)
$$R(X,Y)Z = \frac{1}{n-2} [S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY] - \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)} \{g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y\}$$

Since the manifold satisfies $R(X, Y) \cdot S = 0$, we get

(8.2) S(R(X,Y)Z,U) + S(Z,R(X,Y)U) = 0.

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Using (8.1) in (8.2), we get

(8.3)

$$g(Y,Z)S(QX,U) - g(X,Z)S(QY,U) + g(Y,U)S(QX,Z) - g(X,U)S(QY,Z)$$

$$= \frac{r}{n-1}[g(Y,Z)S(X,U) - g(X,Z)S(Y,U) + g(Y,U)S(X,Z) - g(X,U)S(Y,Z)].$$

Let λ be the eigenvalue of the endomorphism Q corresponding to an eigenvector X. Then $QX = \lambda X$, i.e., $S(X, U) = \lambda g(X, U)$ and hence

(8.4) $S(QX, U) = \lambda S(X, U).$

By virtue of (8.4), it follows from (8.3) that

$$\left(\lambda - \frac{r}{n-1}\right) [g(Y,Z)S(X,U) - g(X,Z)S(Y,U) + g(Y,U)S(X,Z) - g(X,U)S(Y,Z)] = 0,$$

which yields

(8.5)

$$g(Y,Z)S(X,U) - g(X,Z)S(Y,U) + g(Y,U)S(X,Z) - g(X,U)S(Y,Z) = 0,$$
provided $\lambda \neq \frac{r}{n-1}$. Again using (1.2) in (8.5), we get

$$\begin{array}{ll} (8.6) & \beta[g(Y,Z)A(X)A(U) - g(X,Z)A(Y)A(U) + g(Y,U)A(X)A(Z) \\ & -g(X,U)A(Y)A(Z)] + \gamma[g(Y,Z)B(X)B(U) - g(X,Z)B(Y)B(U) \\ & +g(Y,U)B(X)B(Z) - g(X,U)B(Y)B(Z)] = 0, \ \ \mathrm{provided} \ \lambda \neq \frac{r}{n-1}. \end{array}$$

Setting $Z = \rho$ and $U = \mu$, we get

(8.7)
$$(\beta - \gamma) \{ A(X)B(Y) - A(Y)B(X) \} = 0.$$

From (8.7), we get either $\beta = \gamma$ or

$$A(X)B(Y) = A(Y)B(X),$$

that is, the vector fields ρ and μ are co-directional. Thus we can state the following:

Theorem 8.1. If, in a conformally flat Ricci-semisymmetric $G(QE)_n(n > 3)$, $\frac{r}{n-1}$ is not an eigenvalue of the Ricci-operator Q, then either the associated scalars β and γ of the manifold are equal or the vector fields ρ and μ corresponding to the 1-forms A and B respectively are co-directional.

9. Some Examples of $G(QE)_n$

This section deals with several non-trivial examples of $G(QE)_n$.

Example 9.1. We define a Riemannian metric g on \mathbb{R}^4 by the formula (9.1) $ds^2 = g_{ij}dx^i dx^j = (1+2p)[(dx^1)^2 + (dx^2)^2 + (dx^3)^2 + (dx^4)^2], (i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4),$ where $p = \frac{e^{x^1}}{k^2}$ and k is a non-zero constant. Then the only non-vanishing components of the Christoffel symbols, the curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor and scalar curvature are given by

$$\Gamma_{22}^{1} = -\frac{p}{(1+2p)} = \Gamma_{33}^{1} = \Gamma_{44}^{1} = -\Gamma_{11}^{1} = -\Gamma_{12}^{2} = -\Gamma_{13}^{3} = -\Gamma_{14}^{4},$$

$$R_{1221} = R_{1331} = R_{1441} = \frac{p}{(1+2p)}, S_{11} = \frac{3p}{(1+2p)^{2}},$$

$$S_{22} = S_{33} = S_{44} = \frac{p}{(1+2p)^{2}}, r = \frac{6p}{(1+2p)^{3}} \neq 0$$

and the components which can be obtained from these by the symmetry properties.

Therefore \mathbb{R}^4 is a Riemannian manifold (M^4, g) of non-vanishing scalar curvature. We shall now show that M^4 is a $G(QE)_4$, i.e., it satisfies (1.2). Let us now consider the associated scalars as follows:

(9.2)
$$\alpha = \frac{p}{(1+2p)^3}, \ \beta = 3p, \ \gamma = -\frac{1}{(1+2p)^2}.$$

In terms of local coordinate system, let us consider the 1-forms A and B as follows:

$$A_i(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1+2p} \text{ for } i = 1, \\ 0 \text{ otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

(9.3)

$$B_i(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{p} \text{ for } i = 1, \\ 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In terms of local coordinate system, the defining condition (1.2) of a $G(QE)_n$ can be written as

(9.4)
$$S_{ij} = \alpha g_{ij} + \beta A_i A_j + \gamma B_i B_j, \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

By virtue of (9.2) and (9.3), it can be easily shown that (9.4) holds for i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4. Therefore (M^4, g) is a $G(QE)_4$, which is not quasi-Einstein. Hence we can state the following:

Theorem 9.1. Let (M^4, g) be a Riemannian manifold endowed with the metric given in (9.1). Then (M^4, g) is a $G(QE)_4$ with non-vanishing scalar curvature which is not quasi-Einstein.

Example 9.2. We define a Riemannian metric g on \mathbb{R}^4 by the formula

(9.5)
$$ds^{2} = e^{2x^{1}} (dx^{1})^{2} + \sin^{2} x^{1} [(dx^{2})^{2} + (dx^{3})^{2} + (dx^{4})^{2}],$$

where $0 < x^1 < \frac{\pi}{2}$ but $x^1 \neq \frac{\pi}{4}$. Then the only non-vanishing components of the Christoffel symbols, the curvature tensor, the Ricci tensor and scalar curvature

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$$\begin{split} \Gamma_{11}^{1} &= 1, \Gamma_{12}^{2} = \Gamma_{13}^{3} = \Gamma_{14}^{4} = \cot x^{1}, \\ \Gamma_{22}^{1} &= -\frac{\sin 2x^{1}}{2e^{2x^{1}}} = \Gamma_{33}^{1} = \Gamma_{44}^{1}, \\ R_{1221} &= -\sin^{2}x^{1}(1 + \cot x^{1}) = R_{1331} = R_{1441}, \\ R_{2332} &= \frac{\sin^{2}x^{1}\cos^{2}x^{1}}{e^{2x^{1}}} = R_{2442} = R_{3443}, \\ S_{22} &= \frac{2\cos^{2}x^{1} - \sin^{2}x^{1}(1 + \cot x^{1})}{e^{2x^{1}}} = S_{33} = S_{44}, \\ S_{11} &= -3(1 + \cot x^{1}), r = \frac{6(\cot^{2}x^{1} - \cot x^{1} - 1)}{e^{2x^{1}}} \neq 0, \end{split}$$

provided $(\cot^2 x^1 - \cot x^1 - 1) \neq 0$ and the components which can be obtained from these by the symmetry properties. Therefore \mathbb{R}^4 with the considered metric is a Riemannian manifold (M^4, g) of non-vanishing scalar curvature. We shall now show that this M^4 is a $G(QE)_4$, i.e., it satisfies (1.2). Let us now consider the associated scalars as follows:

(9.6)
$$\alpha = \frac{2\cot^2 x^1 - \cot x^1 - 1}{e^{2x^1}}, \ \beta = -(1 + \cot x^1), \ \gamma = -2\cot x^1.$$

In terms of local coordinate system, let us consider the 1-forms A and B as follows:

(9.7)
$$A_i(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2} \text{ for } i = 1, \\ 0 \text{ otherwise,} \end{cases}$$
$$B_i(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\cot x^1} \text{ for } i = 1, \\ 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In terms of local coordinate system, the defining condition (1.2) of a $G(QE)_n$ can be written as (9.4). By virtue of (9.6) and (9.7), it can be easily shown that (9.4) holds for i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4. Therefore (M^4, g) is a $G(QE)_4$, which is not quasi-Einstein. Hence we can state the following:

Theorem 9.2. Let (M^4, g) be a Riemannian manifold endowed with the metric given in (9.5). Then (M^4, g) is a $G(QE)_4$ with non-vanishing scalar curvature which is not quasi-Einstein.

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