

# Weak $M$ -projective symmetries for a Sasakian manifold

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**Abstract.** In this study, we deal with the  $M$ -projective curvature tensor on a Sasakian manifold. After defining both weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifolds and weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds, we obtained all the associated 1-forms and the relation among them. Moreover, we investigated a weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifold having a cyclic parallel  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor.

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## 1 Introduction

In the 19th century, the notion of contact transformation was introduced by Lie [12] to study systems of differential equations from a geometrical point of view. This notion can be seen as the beginning of contact geometry. The subject has manifold connections with other fields of pure mathematics, and a significant place in applied areas such as optics, control theory or mechanics, etc... until Chern [5] and Gray [9] contributed to the development of this geometry, contact geometry has not been receiving attention. Then the notion of a Sasakian manifold was introduced by Sasaki [16]. This manifold is a contact manifold with a Sasakian metric which is a special kind of Riemannian metric  $g$ . It forms an important class of a contact manifold and has been studied by many authors (see, [1, 7, 10, 11, 14, 21, 22]).

Pokhariyal and Mishra [15] have introduced the  $M$ -projective curvature tensor of type  $(0, 4)$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  in the form:

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} W(Y, Z, U, V) = & R(Y, Z, U, V) - \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (S(Z, U)g(Y, V) - S(Y, U)g(Z, V) \\ & + g(Z, U)S(Y, V) - g(Y, U)S(Z, V)), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$W(Y, Z, U, V) = g(W(Y, Z)U, V), \quad R(Y, Z, U, V) = g(R(Y, Z)U, V)$$

where  $W(Y, Z)U$ ,  $R(X, Y)Z$  and  $S(X, Y)$  are the  $M$ -projective curvature tensor of type (1, 3), the curvature tensor and the Ricci tensor of  $(M^n, g)$ , respectively. The Ricci tensor  $S$  is defined by  $S(X, Y) = g(LX, Y)$ , where  $L$  is the Ricci operator. The  $M$ -projective curvature tensor is important in the terms of relativity [15]. Further, the other properties of this tensor have been extensively studied on the various manifolds by several authors (see, [4, 13, 14, 24, 25]).

In 1992, Tamássy and Binh [19] introduced the notion of weakly symmetric manifolds. A non-flat Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is called a *weakly-symmetric manifold* if there exist 1-forms  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  and  $\sigma$  satisfying the condition

$$(1.2) \quad (\nabla_X R)(Y, Z, U, V) = \alpha(X)R(Y, Z, U, V) + \beta(Y)R(X, Z, U, V) \\ + \gamma(Z)R(Y, X, U, V) + \delta(U)R(Y, Z, X, V) \\ + \sigma(V)R(Y, Z, U, X)$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z, U, V \in \chi(M)$ , where  $\nabla$  is the covariant derivative with respect to the Levi-Civita connection. Then, De and Bandyopadhyay [6] proved that in such a manifold 1-forms  $\beta$  and  $\delta$  are equal to  $\gamma$  and  $\sigma$ , respectively. Thus, the number of different 1-forms in the above relation is reduced from five to three.

In 1993, again Tamássy and Binh [20] introduced the notion of weakly Ricci symmetric manifolds. A Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is called a *weakly Ricci symmetric manifold* if its Ricci tensor  $S$  of type (0, 2) is not identically equal to zero and satisfies the condition

$$(1.3) \quad (\nabla_X S)(Z, U) = \rho(X)S(Z, U) + \mu(Z)S(X, U) + \nu(U)S(Z, X),$$

where 1-forms  $\rho, \mu$  and  $\nu$  are not zero.

In 1998, Gray [8] introduced two classes of Riemannian manifolds determined by the covariant differentiation of Ricci tensor  $S$ . One of these classes consisting of all Riemannian manifolds whose Ricci tensor  $S$  is cyclic parallel, i.e.

$$(1.4) \quad (\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) + (\nabla_Y S)(Z, X) + (\nabla_Z S)(X, Y) = 0.$$

Recently, Chaubey [3] introduced the notion of weakly  $M$ -projectively symmetric manifolds. A non- $M$ -projectively flat Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  ( $n > 2$ ) is called a *weakly  $M$ -projectively symmetric manifold* if the  $M$ -projective curvature tensor  $W$  of type (0, 4) satisfies the relation

$$(1.5) \quad (\nabla_X W)(Y, Z, U, V) = \alpha(X)W(Y, Z, U, V) + \beta(Y)W(X, Z, U, V) \\ + \gamma(Z)W(Y, X, U, V) + \delta(U)W(Y, Z, X, V) \\ + \sigma(V)W(Y, Z, U, X)$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z, U, V \in \chi(M)$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  and  $\sigma$  are 1-forms. Chaubey proved in the same study that equation (1.5) reduces to the form, [3]

$$(1.6) \quad (\nabla_X W)(Y, Z, U, V) = \alpha(X)W(Y, Z, U, V) + \beta(Y)W(X, Z, U, V) \\ + \beta(Z)W(Y, X, U, V) + \delta(U)W(Y, Z, X, V) \\ + \delta(V)W(Y, Z, U, X)$$

for all  $X, Y, Z, U, V \in \chi(M)$  and non-zero 1-forms  $\alpha, \beta, \delta$  called associated 1-forms.

In this study, we deal with both weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifolds and weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds. In Section 2 some preliminary results are reviewed. In Section 3 weakly  $M$ -projectively symmetric manifolds are defined and all the 1-forms of such a manifold are obtained. Moreover, weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds are defined and all the 1-forms of such a manifold are determined. Then, weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds having a cyclic parallel  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  are investigated.

## 2 Sasakian manifolds

In this section, some basic concepts of Sasakian manifolds which will be used through the paper are considered.

Let  $(M^n, g)$  ( $n = 2m + 1$ ) be an almost contact metric manifold equipped with an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . We have

$$(2.1) \quad \phi^2(X) = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad \phi\xi = 0,$$

$$(2.2) \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad g(X, \xi) = \eta(X), \quad \eta(\phi X) = 0,$$

$$(2.3) \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

$$(2.4) \quad g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y),$$

$$(2.5) \quad (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = g(\nabla_X \xi, Y),$$

where  $\phi$  is a  $(1, 1)$  tensor field,  $\eta$  is a 1-form,  $\xi$  is the corresponding vector field to the 1-form  $\eta$  and  $g$  is Riemannian metric.

An almost contact metric manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is called a *contact metric manifold* if

$$(2.6) \quad d\eta(X, Y) = g(X, \phi Y),$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ . A contact metric manifold is said to be a *K-contact manifold* if the vector field  $\xi$  is a Killing vector field. The basic property of a K-contact manifold is that,

$$(2.7) \quad \nabla_X \xi = -\phi X.$$

It is said to be a *Sasakian manifold* if

$$(2.8) \quad (\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ . It is well-known that Sasakian manifold is always  $K$ -contact Riemannian manifold.

The following relations also can be stated in a Sasakian manifold:

$$(2.9) \quad (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = g(X, \phi Y),$$

$$(2.10) \quad R(\xi, X)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X,$$

$$(2.11) \quad S(X, \xi) = (n - 1)\eta(X),$$

$$(2.12) \quad R(X, \xi)Y = \eta(Y)X - g(X, Y)\xi,$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$  (see, [2, 17, 18]).

### 3 Main Theorems

In this section, Weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifolds and weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds are examined as two subsections. Furthermore, weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds having a cyclic parallel  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  is considered. The main theorems and corollaries about them are also specified.

#### 3.1 Weakly $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifolds

Let us now define weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifolds and obtain both all the associated 1-forms and the relation among them.

**Definition 3.1.** A Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  ( $n = 2m + 1$ ) is said to be weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric if its  $M$ -projective curvature tensor of type  $(0, 4)$  is not identically equal to zero and satisfies equation (1.6).

Let  $e_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) be an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at each point of the manifold. Then, equation (1.1) becomes

$$(3.1) \quad W^*(Z, U) = \sum_{i=1}^n W(e_i, Z, U, e_i) = \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (nS(Z, U) - rg(Z, U)),$$

where  $r$  is a scalar curvature of  $(M^n, g)$ . The tensor  $W^*$  is called the  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor, which is a symmetric tensor of type  $(0, 2)$ .

Considering  $Y = V = e_i$  into equation (1.6), using equations (1.1) and (3.1), and summing over  $i$ , ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ), we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} n(\nabla_X S)(Z, U) - (\nabla_X r)g(Z, U) &= \alpha(X) \{nS(Z, U) - rg(Z, U)\} \\ &+ \beta(Z) \{nS(X, U) - rg(X, U)\} \\ &+ \delta(U) \{nS(Z, X) - rg(Z, X)\} \\ &+ 2(n-1) \{\beta(R(X, Z)U + \delta(R(X, U)Z) \\ &- \{(\beta(X) + \delta(X))S(Z, U) - S(X, U)\beta(Z) \\ &- \delta(LU)g(Z, X) + (\beta(LX) + \delta(LX))g(Z, U) \\ &- g(X, U)\beta(LZ) - \delta(U)S(Z, X)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $\xi$  for  $X, Z$  and  $U$  into equation (3.2) and then using properties (2.1)<sub>2</sub>, (2.2), (2.7), (2.11) and (2.12), we achieve

$$(3.3) \quad [r - n(n-1)] [\alpha(\xi) + \beta(\xi) + \delta(\xi)] = dr(\xi).$$

Firstly, assumed that  $r \neq n(n-1)$ . Then, we can rewrite equation (3.3) as follows

$$(3.4) \quad \alpha(\xi) + \beta(\xi) + \delta(\xi) = \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)}.$$

Hence this result proved above is put in the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** *In a weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$ ,  $r \neq n(n-1)$ , the associated 1-forms  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\delta$  satisfy equation (3.4).*

Now, considering  $X = Z = \xi$  into equation (3.2) and using properties (2.1), (2.2), (2.4), (2.7), (2.9), (2.10), (2.11) and (2.12), we obtain

$$(3.5) \quad \delta(U) = \left( -(\alpha(\xi) + \beta(\xi)) + \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)} \right) \eta(U).$$

By using equations (3.4) and (3.5), we achieve

$$(3.6) \quad \delta(U) = \delta(\xi)\eta(U).$$

Considering  $X = U = \xi$  into equation (3.2) and using equations (2.1), (2.2), (2.4), (2.7), (2.9), (2.10), (2.11) and (2.12) provide

$$(3.7) \quad \beta(Z) = \left( -(\alpha(\xi) + \delta(\xi)) + \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)} \right) \eta(Z).$$

Hence, using equation (3.4) and the above equation, we obtain

$$(3.8) \quad \beta(Z) = \beta(\xi)\eta(Z).$$

Similarly, substituting  $\xi$  for  $Z$  and  $U$  into equation (3.2), we achieve

$$(3.9) \quad \alpha(X) = -(\beta(\xi) + \delta(\xi))\eta(X) + \frac{dr(X)}{r - n(n-1)}.$$

From equations (3.4) and (3.9), we thus obtain

$$(3.10) \quad \alpha(X) = \left( \alpha(\xi) - \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)} \right) \eta(X) + \frac{dr(X)}{r - n(n-1)}.$$

From equations (3.6), (3.8) and (3.10) the following expression is yielded

$$(3.11) \quad \alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \delta(X) = \frac{dr(X)}{r - n(n-1)}$$

for all  $X \in \chi(M)$ .

We can then state the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $(M^n, g)$  be a weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifold,  $r \neq n(n-1)$ . Then,*

1. *The associated 1-forms  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\delta$  are expressed as equations (3.10), (3.8) and (3.6), respectively.*

2. The sum of the associated 1-forms  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\delta$  is expressed as (3.11).

Again, considering  $X = Z = \xi$ ,  $X = U = \xi$ ,  $Z = U = \xi$  into equation (3.2), respectively, and using properties (2.1), (2.2), (2.4), (2.7), (2.9),(2.10), (2.11) and (2.12), we obtain the following relations:

$$(3.12) \quad [r - n(n - 1)] \delta(U) = -[\alpha(\xi) + \beta(\xi)] [r - n(n - 1)] + dr(\xi) \eta(U),$$

$$(3.13) \quad [r - n(n - 1)] \beta(Z) = -[\alpha(\xi) + \delta(\xi)] [r - n(n - 1)] + dr(\xi) \eta(Z)$$

and

$$(3.14) \quad [r - n(n - 1)] \alpha(X) = -[r - n(n - 1)] [\beta(\xi) + \delta(\xi)] \eta(X) + dr(X).$$

Summing (3.12), (3.13) and (3.14) and using equation (3.3), we achieve

$$(3.15) \quad [r - n(n - 1)] [\alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \delta(X)] = dr(X).$$

If the scalar curvature  $r$  equals  $n(n - 1)$  in equation (3.15), then the above equation is automatically satisfied.

We have thus proved the following

**Theorem 3.3.** *There always exists a weakly  $M$ -projective symmetric Sasakian manifold whose scalar curvature  $r$  equals  $n(n - 1)$ .*

### 3.2 Weakly $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds

Let us define weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds and give both all the associated 1-forms and the relation among them. Moreover, weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifolds having a cyclic parallel  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  are investigated.

**Definition 3.2.** A Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  ( $n = 2m + 1$ ) is said to be weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric if its  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  of type  $(0, 2)$  is not identically equal to zero and satisfies the following condition

$$(3.16) \quad (\nabla_X W^*)(Z, U) = \rho(X)W^*(Z, U) + \mu(Z)W^*(X, U) + \nu(U)W^*(Z, X).$$

Using equations (3.1) and (3.16), we obtain

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} n(\nabla_X S)(Z, U) - (\nabla_X r)g(Z, U) &= \rho(X)\{nS(Z, U) - rg(Z, U)\} \\ &+ \mu(Z)\{nS(X, U) - rg(X, U)\} \\ &+ \nu(U)\{nS(Z, X) - rg(Z, X)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $\xi$  for  $X$ ,  $Z$  and  $U$  into equation (3.17) and then using properties (2.1)<sub>2</sub>, (2.2), (2.7) and (2.11) yield

$$(3.18) \quad [r - n(n - 1)] [\rho(\xi) + \mu(\xi) + \nu(\xi)] = dr(\xi).$$

Firstly, assumed that  $r \neq n(n - 1)$ . From equation (3.18), it follows that

$$(3.19) \quad \rho(\xi) + \mu(\xi) + \nu(\xi) = \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n - 1)}.$$

Then, the following lemma holds true:

**Lemma 3.4.** *In a weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$ ,  $r \neq n(n-1)$ , the associated 1-forms  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\delta$  satisfy equation (3.19).*

Now, substituting  $\xi$  for  $X$  and  $Z$  into equation (3.17), using properties (2.1), (2.2), (2.4), (2.7), (2.9),(2.10) and (2.11), we achieve

$$(3.20) \quad \nu(U) = \left( -(\rho(\xi) + \mu(\xi)) + \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)} \right) \eta(U).$$

From equations (3.19) and (3.20), it follows that

$$(3.21) \quad \nu(U) = \nu(\xi)\eta(U).$$

Similarly, substituting  $\xi$  for  $X$  and  $U$  into equation (3.17), we obtain

$$(3.22) \quad \mu(Z) = \left( -(\rho(\xi) + \nu(\xi)) + \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)} \right) \eta(Z).$$

Using equation (3.19) and the above equation, we achieve

$$(3.23) \quad \mu(Z) = \mu(\xi)\eta(Z).$$

Finally, substituting  $\xi$  for  $Z$  and  $U$  into equation (3.17) yields

$$(3.24) \quad \rho(X) = -(\mu(\xi) + \nu(\xi))\eta(X) + \frac{dr(X)}{r - n(n-1)}.$$

It follows from equation (3.19) that

$$(3.25) \quad \rho(X) = \left( \rho(\xi) - \frac{dr(\xi)}{r - n(n-1)} \right) \eta(X) + \frac{dr(X)}{r - n(n-1)}.$$

From equations (3.19), (3.21), (3.23) and (3.25), we thus obtain

$$(3.26) \quad \rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X) = \frac{dr(X)}{r - n(n-1)}.$$

Hence the following theorem is attained:

**Theorem 3.5.** *If a Sasakian manifold is weakly  $M$ - projective Ricci symmetric,  $r \neq n(n-1)$ , then*

1. *The associated 1-forms  $\rho$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are expressed as equations (3.25), (3.23) and (3.21), respectively.*
2. *The sum of the associated 1-forms is expressed as equation (3.26).*

By proceeding in a similar manner as previous subsection, we achieve

$$(3.27) \quad [r - n(n-1)] [\rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X)] = dr(X).$$

In equation (3.27), if the scalar curvature  $r$  equals  $r = n(n-1)$ , then it is evident that equation (3.27) holds.

Hence we can state the following:

**Theorem 3.6.** *There always exists a weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifold whose scalar curvature  $r$  equals  $n(n-1)$ .*

Let us now assume that the  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  is cyclic parallel. Then, considering equation (1.4), we obtain

$$(3.28) \quad (\nabla_X W^*)(Z, U) + (\nabla_Z W^*)(U, X) + (\nabla_U W^*)(X, Z) = 0.$$

From equations (3.16) and (3.28), it follows that

$$(3.29) \quad w(X)W^*(Z, U) + w(Z)W^*(X, U) + w(U)W^*(Z, X) = 0,$$

where

$$(3.30) \quad w(X) = \rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X).$$

Based on Walker's Lemma [23], it must be either  $w(X) = 0$  or  $W^*(Z, U) = 0$ . By virtue of Definition 3.2, since  $W^*(Z, U) \neq 0$ , it must be  $w(X) = 0$ . From equation (3.30), we achieve

$$(3.31) \quad \rho(X) + \mu(X) + \nu(X) = 0,$$

for all  $X \in \chi(M)$ . Considering these results, we can specify the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.7.** *There is no weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  whose  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  is cyclic parallel unless  $\rho + \mu + \nu$  equals zero everywhere.*

Further, it is the result of equation (3.26) that a weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  whose  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$  is cyclic parallel, is of constant scalar curvature. Therefore, we can state this result in the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.8.** *If a weakly  $M$ -projective Ricci symmetric Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  has a cyclic parallel  $M$ -projective Ricci tensor  $W^*$ , then such a manifold is of constant scalar curvature.*

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