

# On weak symmetries of almost $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of $P$ -Sasakian type

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we consider weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifolds of  $P$ -Sasakian type. We find necessary conditions in order that an almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type be weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric.

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## § 1. Introduction

Weakly symmetric Riemannian manifolds are generalizations of locally symmetric manifolds and pseudo-symmetric manifolds. These are manifolds in which the covariant derivative  $DR$  of the curvature tensor  $R$  is a linear expression in  $R$ . The appearing coefficients of this expression are called associated 1-forms. They satisfy in the specified types of manifolds gradually weaker conditions.

Firstly, the notions of weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric manifolds were introduced by L. Tamássy and T.Q. Binh in 1992 (see [4], [5]). In [4], the authors considered weakly symmetric and weakly projective-symmetric Riemannian manifolds. In 1993, the authors considered weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric Einstein and Sasakian manifolds [5]. In 2000, U. C. De, T.Q. Binh and A.A. Shaikh gave necessary conditions for the compatibility of several  $K$ -contact structures with weak symmetry and weakly Ricci-symmetry [1]. In 2002, C. Özgür, considered weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifolds [6]. Recently in [7], C. Özgür studied weakly symmetric Kenmotsu manifolds.

In this study, we consider weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type.

## § 2. Preliminaries

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Riemann manifold. We denote by  $D$  the covariant differentiation with respect to the Riemann metric  $g$ . Then we have

$$R(X, Y)Z = D_X D_Y Z - D_Y D_X Z - D_{[X, Y]} Z.$$

The Riemannian curvature tensor is defined by

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = g(R(X, Y)Z, W).$$

The Ricci tensor of  $M$  is defined by

$$Ric(X, Y) = trace \{Z \rightarrow R(X, Z)Y\}.$$

Locally,  $Ric$  is given by

$$Ric(X, Y) = \sum_{i=1}^n R(X, E_i, Y, E_i),$$

where  $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n\}$  is a local orthonormal frames field on  $M$  and  $X, Y, Z, W$  are vector fields on  $M$ .

The Ricci operator  $Q$  is a tensor field of type  $(1, 1)$  on  $M^n$  defined by

$$g(QX, Y) = Ric(X, Y),$$

for all vector field on  $M^n$ .

A non-flat differentiable manifold  $(M^n, g)$ ,  $(n > 2)$ , is called weakly symmetric if there exist 1-forms  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  and  $\sigma$  on  $M$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_X R)(Y, Z, U, V) = & \alpha(X)R(Y, Z, U, V) + \beta(Y)R(X, Z, U, V) \\ & + \gamma(Z)R(Y, X, U, V) + \delta(U)R(Y, Z, X, V) \\ & + \sigma(V)R(Y, Z, U, X) \end{aligned}$$

holds for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z, U, V$  on  $M$ . A weakly symmetric manifold is said to be *proper* if  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = \delta = \sigma = 0$  is not the case [1].

A differentiable manifold  $(M^n, g)$ ,  $(n > 2)$ , is called *weakly Ricci-symmetric* if there exist 1-forms  $\rho, \mu, \nu$  such that the relation

$$(2.2) \quad (D_X Ric)(Y, Z) = \rho(X)Ric(Y, Z) + \mu(Y)Ric(X, Z) + \nu(Z)Ric(X, Y)$$

holds for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z, U, V$  on  $M$ . A weakly Ricci-symmetric manifold is said to be *proper* if  $\rho = \mu = \nu = 0$  is not the case [1].

From (2.1), an easy calculation shows that if  $M$  is weakly symmetric then we obtain (see [4], [5])

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_X Ric)(Z, U) = & \alpha(X)Ric(Z, U) + \beta(Z)Ric(X, U) + \delta(U)Ric(Z, X) \\ & + \beta(R(X, Z)U) + \delta(R(X, U)Z). \end{aligned}$$

### § 3. Almost $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifolds

We need the following definition ([3])

Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold with  $dim(M) = 2n + r$  and denote by  $T(M)$  the tangent space of  $M$ . Then  $M$  is said to be an almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold if there exist on  $M$  a tensor field  $\phi$  of type  $(1, 1)$  and  $r$  global vector fields  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_s$  (called structure vector fields) such that

(i) If  $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_r$  are dual 1-forms of  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_r$ , then:

$$(3.4) \quad \eta_i(\xi_j) = \delta_j^i, \quad g(\xi_i, X) = \eta_i(X) \quad \phi^2 = I - \sum_{i=1}^r \xi_i \otimes \eta_i$$

(ii)

$$(3.5) \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \sum_{i=1}^r \eta_i(X) \eta_i(Y),$$

for any  $X, Y \in T(M)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ .

In an almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold  $M$ , besides the relations (3.4) and (3.5) the following also hold

$$(3.6) \quad \phi \xi_\alpha = 0$$

$$(3.7) \quad \eta^\alpha \circ \phi = 0.$$

An almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold  $M$  is said to be of  $P$ -Sasakian type if

$$(3.8) \quad D_X \xi_i = \phi X$$

$$(3.9) \quad (D_X \phi) Y = - \sum_{i=1}^r [g(\phi X, \phi Y) \xi_i + \eta_i(Y) \phi^2 X]$$

for all  $X, Y \in T(M)$ .

In an almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type  $M$ , the following hold

$$(3.10) \quad Ric(\xi_i, X) = -2n \sum_{\beta=1}^r \eta_\beta(X)$$

$$(3.11) \quad R(\xi_i, X) \xi_\beta = X - \sum_{\gamma=1}^r \eta^\gamma(X) \xi_\gamma$$

$$(3.12) \quad g(R(\xi_i, X) Y, \xi_\beta) = -g(X, Y) + \sum_{\gamma=1}^r \eta_\gamma(X) \eta_\gamma(Y)$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y \in T(M)$ .

Since  $\phi$  and the Ricci operator  $Q$  are symmetric in an almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type  $M$ ,  $Q\phi + \phi Q = 0$  and the Lie derivative of  $Ric$  vanishes, i.e.

$$(3.13) \quad L_{\xi_\alpha} Ric = 0,$$

for any  $\alpha = 1, \dots, r$ .

#### § 4. Weakly symmetric almost $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifolds of $P$ -Sasakian type

In this chapter we investigate weakly symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type. We assume that the weakly symmetric manifold is almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type. Then we have,

**Theorem 1.** *Any weakly symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type  $M$  satisfies  $\alpha + \delta + \beta = 0$ .*

**Proof.** Since the manifold is weakly symmetric, from (2.3), by putting  $X = \xi_\alpha$  yields

$$(4.14) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Z, U) = \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Z, U) + \beta(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, U) \\ + \delta(U)Ric(Z, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, Z)U) + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, U)Z)$$

From (3.13), it follows that

$$(D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Z, U) = -Ric(D_Z \xi_\alpha, U) - Ric(Z, D_U \xi_\alpha).$$

By virtue of (3.8), we get from

$$(D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Z, U) = -Ric(\phi Z, U) - Ric(Z, \phi U).$$

Now, since  $\phi$  is skew symmetric and Ricci operator is symmetric, we obtain

$$(4.15) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Z, U) = 0.$$

From (4.14) and (4.15), we have

$$(4.16) \quad \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Z, U) + \beta(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, U) \\ + \delta(U)Ric(Z, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, Z)U) + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, U)Z) = 0$$

Putting  $Z = U = \xi_\alpha$  in(4.16), we get

$$(4.17) \quad \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) \\ + \delta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) = 0.$$

And using (3.11), we have

$$(\alpha(\xi_\alpha) + \beta(\xi_\alpha) + \delta(\xi_\alpha)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0.$$

which gives us

$$(4.18) \quad \alpha(\xi_\alpha) + \beta(\xi_\alpha) + \delta(\xi_\alpha) = 0.$$

So the vanishing of the 1-form  $\alpha + \beta + \delta$  over the vector field  $\xi_\alpha$  is necessary in order that  $M$  be a almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type.

Now we will show that  $\alpha + \beta + \delta = 0$  holds for all vector fields on  $M$ .

In (2.3), taking  $X = Z = \xi_\alpha$ , we get

$$(4.19) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(\xi_\alpha, U) = \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, U) + \beta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, U) \\ + \delta(U)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha)U) \\ + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, U)\xi_\alpha).$$

From (4.19) and (3.11), We get

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, U) + \beta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, U) \\ & + \delta(U)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, U)\xi_\alpha) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $U$  by  $X$  in (4.19) we have

$$(4.20) \quad \begin{aligned} & \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) + \beta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) \\ & + \delta(X)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, X)\xi_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In (2.3), taking  $X = U = \xi_\alpha$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Z, \xi_\alpha) &= \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Z, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) \\ &+ \delta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Z, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, Z)\xi_\alpha) + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha)Z). \end{aligned}$$

From (4.15) and (3.11), We get

$$(4.21) \quad \begin{aligned} & \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Z, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) \\ & + \delta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Z, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, Z)\xi_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Replacing  $Z$  by  $X$  in (4.21) we have

$$(4.22) \quad \begin{aligned} & \alpha(\xi_\alpha)Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(X)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) \\ & + \delta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, X)\xi_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In (2.3), taking  $Z = U = \xi_\alpha$ , we get

$$(4.23) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_X Ric)(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) &= \alpha(X)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) \\ &+ \delta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) + \beta(R(X, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) \\ &+ \delta(R(X, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$(4.24) \quad (D_X Ric)(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0$$

Using (4.24) in (4.23), we have

$$(4.25) \quad \begin{aligned} & \alpha(X)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \beta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) + \delta(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) \\ & + \beta(R(X, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) + \delta(R(X, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Adding (4.20), (4.22) and (4.25), we obtain

$$(4.26) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2(\alpha(\xi_\alpha) + \beta(\xi_\alpha) + \delta(\xi_\alpha)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) \\ & + (\alpha(X) + \delta(X) + \beta(X)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) \\ & + \delta(R(\xi_\alpha, X)\xi_\alpha) + \beta(R(\xi_\alpha, X)\xi_\alpha) \\ & + \beta(R(X, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) + \delta(R(X, \xi_\alpha)\xi_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using (3.11) and (4.18) in (4.26) we have

$$(4.27) \quad (\alpha(X) + \delta(X) + \beta(X)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0$$

Hence from (4.27), we obtain

$$(4.28) \quad \alpha(X) + \delta(X) + \beta(X) = 0 \quad \text{for all } X.$$

Thus

$$\alpha + \delta + \beta = 0.$$

Our theorem is thus proved.

### § 5. Weakly Ricci-symmetric almost $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifolds of $P$ -Sasakian type

In this chapter we investigate weakly Ricci-symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifolds of  $P$ -Sasakian type. We suppose that the considered weakly Ricci-symmetric manifold is almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type. We have,

**Theorem 2.** *Any weakly Ricci-symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type  $M$ , satisfies  $\rho + \mu + v = 0$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $M$  is a weakly Ricci-symmetric almost  $r$ -paracontact Riemannian manifold of  $P$ -Sasakian type. Replacing  $X$  with  $\xi_\alpha$  in (2.2) we have

$$(5.29) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Y, Z) = \rho(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Y, Z) + \mu(Y)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Z) + v(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Y).$$

By virtue of (4.15) and (5.29), we have

$$(5.30) \quad \rho(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Y, Z) + \mu(Y)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Z) + v(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Y) = 0.$$

Putting  $Y = Z = \xi_\alpha$  in (5.30), we get

$$(5.31) \quad (\rho(\xi_\alpha) + \mu(\xi_\alpha) + v(\xi_\alpha)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0,$$

which gives

$$(5.32) \quad \rho(\xi_\alpha) + \mu(\xi_\alpha) + v(\xi_\alpha) = 0,$$

In (2.2), taking  $X = Y = \xi_\alpha$ , and using (4.15), we get

$$(5.33) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(\xi_\alpha, Z) = \rho(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Z) + \mu(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Z) + v(Z)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0.$$

Replacing  $Z$  by  $X$  in (5.33) we have

$$(5.34) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(\xi_\alpha, X) = \rho(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) + \mu(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) + v(X)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0.$$

In (2.2), taking  $X = Z = \xi_\alpha$ , and using (4.15), we get

$$(5.35) \quad (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(Y, \xi_\alpha) = \rho(\xi_\alpha)Ric(Y, \xi_\alpha) + \mu(Y)Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + v(\xi_\alpha)Ric(\xi_\alpha, Y) = 0.$$

Replacing  $Y$  by  $X$  in (5.35) we have

$$(5.36) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_{\xi_\alpha} Ric)(X, \xi_\alpha) &= \rho(\xi_\alpha) Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) + \mu(X) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) \\ &+ v(\xi_\alpha) Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

In (2.2), taking  $Y = Z = \xi_\alpha$ , and using (4.24), we get

$$(5.37) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_X Ric)(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) &= \rho(X) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) + \mu(\xi_\alpha) Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) \\ &+ v(\xi_\alpha) Ric(X, \xi_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Adding (5.34), (5.36) and (5.37) and then using (4.18), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &2(\rho(\xi_\alpha) + \mu(\xi_\alpha) + v(\xi_\alpha)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, X) \\ &+ (\rho(X) + \mu(X) + v(X)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

From this, it follows that

$$(5.38) \quad (\rho(X) + \mu(X) + v(X)) Ric(\xi_\alpha, \xi_\alpha) = 0.$$

Hence from (5.38), we have,

$$\rho(X) + \mu(X) + v(X) = 0, \text{ for all } X.$$

Thus

$$\rho + \mu + v = 0.$$

Hence our theorem is proved.

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