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ABSTRACT. The object of the present paper is to characterize 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds admitting *-Ricci solitons. First, 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfying the conditions $R(\xi,.)\cdot S,\ S(\xi,.)\cdot R=0$ and $Q\cdot R=0$ are studied. Further, 3-dimensional manifolds admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfying certain conditions on the projective curvature tensor are considered and obtained several interesting results. Finally, the existence of *-Ricci solitons in a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold has been proved by a concrete example.

1. Introduction

In the Gray-Hervella classification of almost Hermitian manifolds [7], there appears a class, W_4 of Hermitian manifolds which are closely related to locally conformal Kaehler manifolds. An almost contact metric structure on a manifold M is called a trans-Sasakian structure [14] if the product manifold $M \times R$ belongs to the class W_4 . The class $C_6 \oplus C_5$ [13] coincides with the class of trans-Sasakian structures of type (α, β) . We note that trans-Sasakian structures of type (0,0), $(0,\beta)$ and $(\alpha,0)$ are cosymplectic [1], β -Kenmotsu [10] and α -Sasakian [10], respectively. Therefore, trans-Sasakian manifolds generalize a large class of almost contact manifolds.

In 1982, Hamilton [9] introduced the notion of Ricci flow to find a canonical metric on a smooth manifold. The Ricci flow is an evolution equation for metrics on a

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Riemannian manifold defined as follows:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g_{ij}(t) = -2R_{ij}.$$

A Ricci soliton emerges as the limit of the solutions of the Ricci flow. A solution to the Ricci flow is called Ricci soliton if it moves only by a one parameter group of diffeomorphism and scaling. A Ricci soliton (g, V, λ) on a Riemannian manifold (M, g) is a generalization of an Einstein metric such that

$$\pounds_V g + 2S + 2\lambda g = 0,$$

where S is the Ricci tensor, \mathcal{L}_V is the Lie derivative operator along the vector field V on M and λ is a real number. The Ricci soliton is said to be shrinking, steady or expanding according to λ being negative, zero or positive, respectively.

The notion of *-Ricci tensor on almost Hermitian manifolds was introduced by Tachibana [17]. Later, Hamada [8] studied *-Ricci flat real hypersurfaces of complex space forms and Blair [2] defined *-Ricci tensor in contact metric manifolds given by

(1.2)
$$S^*(X,Y) = q(Q^*X,Y) = \text{Trace}\{\phi \circ R(X,\phi Y)\}\$$

for any vector fields X, Y on M, where Q^* is the (1,1) *-Ricci operator and S^* is a tensor field of type (0,2).

A Riemannian metric g on M is called a *-Ricci soliton, if

(1.3)
$$(\pounds_V g)(X, Y) + 2S^*(X, Y) + 2\lambda g(X, Y) = 0$$

for all vector fields X, Y on M and λ is a constant. If a trans-Sasakian manifold satisfies (1.3), then we say that the manifold admits a *-Ricci soliton. Recently, the *-Ricci solitons have been studied by various authors in several ways to a different extent such as [6, 12, 15, 18], and many others.

2. Preliminaries

Let M be an almost contact metric manifold [1] with an almost contact metric structure (ϕ, ξ, η, g) , that is, ϕ is a (1, 1) tensor field, ξ is a vector field, η is a 1-form and

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(2.1)
$$\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \ \eta(\xi) = 1, \ \phi \xi = 0, \ \eta(\phi X) = 0,$$

$$(2.2) g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

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

for all vector fields $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, where $\chi(M)$ is the Lie algebra of vector fields on M. The fundamental 2-form Φ of the manifold is defined by

$$\Phi(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y)$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

An almost contact metric structure (ϕ, ξ, η, g) on M is called a trans-Sasakian structure [14], if $(M \times R, J, G)$ belongs to the class W_4 [7], where J is the almost complex structure on $M \times R$ defined by $J(X, f\frac{d}{dt}) = (\phi X - f\xi, \eta(X)\frac{d}{dt})$ for all vector fields X on M and a smooth functions f on $M \times R$. This may be expressed by the condition

$$(2.5) \qquad (\nabla_X \phi) Y = \alpha(q(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X) + \beta(q(\phi X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\phi X)$$

for some smooth functions α and β on M, and we say that the trans-Sasakian structure is of type (α, β) . From Eq.(2.5) it follows that

(2.6)
$$\nabla_X \xi = -\alpha \phi X + \beta (X - \eta(X)\xi),$$

(2.7)
$$(\nabla_X \eta) Y = -\alpha g(\phi X, Y) + \beta g(\phi X, \phi Y),$$

where ∇ is the Levi Civita connection of g. In a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold, we have [5]

(2.8)
$$R(X,Y)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y) + 2\alpha\beta((\eta(Y)\phi X - \eta(X)\phi Y) + (Y\alpha)\phi X - (X\alpha)\phi Y + (Y\beta)\phi^2 X - (X\beta)\phi^2 Y,$$

$$(2.9) R(\xi,X)Y = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(X,Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X)$$

$$+2\alpha\beta(g(\phi X,Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\phi X)$$

$$+(Y\alpha)\phi X + g(\phi Y,X)(grad\alpha)$$

$$+(Y\beta)(X - \eta(X)\xi) - g(\phi X,\phi Y)(grad\beta),$$

$$(2.10) 2\alpha\beta + \xi\beta = 0,$$

(2.11)
$$S(X,\xi) = (2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \xi\beta)\eta(X) - X\beta - (\phi X)\alpha,$$

where R is the curvature tensor, S is the Ricci tensor and r is the scalar curvature of the manifold M. From [5] we know that for a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold

$$\phi(grad\alpha) = (n-1)grad\beta.$$

Using Eq.(2.10) and Eq.(2.12), for constants α and β , we have

(2.13)
$$R(\xi, X)Y = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X),$$

(2.14)
$$R(\xi, X)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(X)\xi - X),$$

(2.15)
$$R(X,Y)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y),$$

(2.16)
$$\eta(R(X,Y)Z) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(Y,Z)\eta(X) - g(X,Z)\eta(Y)),$$

(2.17)
$$S(X,\xi) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(X),$$

$$(\pounds_{\varepsilon}g)(X,Y) = 2\beta(g(X,Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y))$$

for all $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$. Throughout in the paper, we are using the fact that $\alpha = \beta = \text{constant}$. We define endomorphisms R(X, Y) and $X \wedge_A Y$ of $\chi(M)$ by

(2.19)
$$R(X,Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]} Z,$$

$$(2.20) (X \wedge_A Y)Z = A(Y,Z)X - A(X,Z)Y,$$

respectively, where A is the symmetric (0,2)-tensor.

Definition 2.1. A 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold is said to be an η -Einstein manifold if the Ricci tensor S is of the form [1]

$$S(X,Y) = ag(X,Y) + b\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

where a and b are smooth functions on the manifold. If b = 0, then the manifold is said to be an Einstein manifold.

Lemma 2.1. In a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold, the following identity holds:

(2.21)
$$\bar{R}(X, Y, \phi Z, \phi W) = R(X, Y, Z, W)$$

 $+(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)[g(X, Z)g(Y, W) - g(Y, Z)g(X, W)$
 $-\Phi(X, Z)\Phi(Y, W) + \Phi(Y, Z)\Phi(X, W)]$
 $+2\alpha\beta[g(Y, Z)\Phi(X, W) - g(X, Z)\Phi(Y, W)$
 $+g(X, W)\Phi(Y, Z) - g(Y, W)\Phi(X, Z)$
 $-\Phi(Y, Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) + \Phi(X, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W)]$

for any X, Y, Z, W on M, where $\bar{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = g(R(X, Y)Z, W)$.

Proof. By virtue of Eq.(2.19), we can write

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, \phi Z, \phi W) = g(\nabla_X \nabla_Y \phi Z, \phi W) - g(\nabla_Y \nabla_X \phi Z, \phi W) - g(\nabla_{[X,Y]} \phi Z, \phi W).$$
(2.22)

By making use of Eq.(2.1) and Eq.(2.5), Eq.(2.22) takes the form

$$\bar{R}(X,Y,\phi Z,\phi W) = \alpha g[g(Y,Z)\nabla_X\xi - (\nabla_X\eta)(Z)Y - \eta(\nabla_XZ)Y \\
-\eta(Z)\nabla_XY,\phi W] + \beta g[g(\phi Y,Z)\nabla_X\xi - (\nabla_X\eta)(Z)\phi Y \\
-\eta(\nabla_XZ)\phi Y - \eta(Z)(\nabla_X\phi)Y - \eta(Z)\phi(\nabla_XY),\phi W] \\
-\alpha g[g(X,Z)\nabla_Y\xi - (\nabla_Y\eta)(Z)X - \eta(\nabla_YZ)X \\
-\eta(Z)\nabla_YX,\phi W] - \beta g[g(\phi X,Z)\nabla_Y\xi - (\nabla_Y\eta)(Z)\phi X$$
(2.23)

$$-\eta(\nabla_{Y}Z)\phi X - \eta(Z)(\nabla_{Y}\phi)X - \eta(Z)\phi(\nabla_{Y}X), \phi W]$$
$$+g[\alpha\eta(\nabla_{X}Z)Y + \beta\eta(\nabla_{X}Z)\phi Y - \alpha\eta(\nabla_{Y}Z)X$$
$$-\beta\eta(\nabla_{Y}Z)\phi X + \phi\nabla_{X}\nabla_{Y}Z - \phi\nabla_{Y}\nabla_{X}Z, \phi W]$$
$$-g[(\nabla_{[X,Y]}\phi)Z + \phi\nabla_{[X,Y]}Z, \phi W].$$

In view of Eq.(2.1)-Eq.(2.3) and Eq.(2.5)-Eq.(2.6), Eq.(2.23) turns to

$$\bar{R}(X,Y,\phi Z,\phi W) = g(\nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]} Z, W)$$

$$-(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)[g(\phi Y, Z)g(X,\phi W) - g(\phi X, Z)g(Y,\phi W)$$

$$-g(X,Z)g(Y,W) + g(Y,Z)g(X,W)$$

$$+g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) - g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\eta(W)]$$

$$+2\alpha\beta[g(Y,Z)g(X,\phi W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,\phi W)$$

$$-g(X,W)g(\phi Y,Z) + g(Y,W)g(\phi X,Z)$$

$$+g(\phi Y,Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) - g(\phi X,Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W)]$$

$$-\eta(\nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]} Z)\eta(W)$$

which by using Eq.(2.4) , Eq.(2.16) and Eq.(2.19), Eq.(2.21) follows. This completes the proof. $\hfill\Box$

Lemma 2.2. In a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold the *-Ricci tensor is given by

$$(2.24) S^*(Y,Z) = S(Y,Z) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y,Z) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)$$

for any Y, Z on M.

Proof. Let $\{e_i\}$, i = 1, 2, 3 be an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at each point of the manifold. Thus from the equations Eq.(1.2) and Eq.(2.21), we have

$$S^{*}(Y,Z) = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \bar{R}(e_{i}, Y, \phi Z, \phi e_{i})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{3} \bar{R}(e_{i}, Y, Z, e_{i}) + (\alpha^{2} - \beta^{2}) \sum_{i=1}^{3} [g(e_{i}, Z)g(Y, e_{i}) - g(Y, Z)g(e_{i}, e_{i})]$$

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$$+g(\phi e_{i}, Z)g(Y, \phi e_{i}) - g(\phi Y, Z)g(e_{i}, \phi e_{i})]$$

$$+2\alpha\beta \sum_{i=1}^{3} [g(Y, Z)g(e_{i}, \phi e_{i}) - g(e_{i}, Z)g(Y, \phi e_{i}) - g(e_{i}, e_{i})g(\phi Y, Z)$$

$$+g(Y, e_{i})g(\phi e_{i}, Z) + g(\phi Y, Z)\eta(e_{i})\eta(e_{i}) - g(\phi e_{i}, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(e_{i})].$$

By contracting the above equation we can easily find

$$S^*(Y,Z) = S(Y,Z) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)[g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)\eta(Z)]$$
$$+2\alpha\beta g(e_i, \phi Z)g(e_i, \xi)\eta(Z)$$

from which Eq.(2.24) follows.

3. *-Ricci solitons on 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds

Let M be a 3—dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *—Ricci solitons. Then Eq.(1.3) holds and thus we have

(3.1)
$$(\pounds_{\varepsilon}g)(Y,Z) + 2S^*(Y,Z) + 2\lambda g(Y,Z) = 0.$$

By using Eq.(2.18), we have

$$(3.2) S^*(Y,Z) = -(\beta + \lambda)q(Y,Z) + \beta\eta(Y)\eta(Z).$$

Therefore, from Eq.(2.24) and Eq.(3.2), we obtain

(3.3)
$$S(Y,Z) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \beta - \lambda)q(Y,Z) + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\eta(Y)\eta(Z).$$

It yields

$$(3.4) QY = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \beta - \lambda)Y + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\eta(Y)\xi.$$

Taking $Z = \xi$ in Eq.(3.3), we find

(3.5)
$$S(Y,\xi) = [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]\eta(Y).$$

From the equations Eq.(2.17) and Eq.(3.5), it follows that

$$\lambda = 0.$$

Thus we have the following:

Theorem 3.1. Let M be a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold. If the manifold admits *-Ricci soliton, then M is an η -Einstein manifold and the *-Ricci soliton is steady.

Now, let (g, V, λ) be a *-Ricci soliton on a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold such that V is pointwise collinear with ξ , i.e., $V = h\xi$, where h is a function. Then Eq.(1.3) holds and thus we have

(3.7)
$$(\pounds_{h\xi}g)(X,Y) + 2S^*(X,Y) + 2\lambda g(X,Y) = 0.$$

Applying the property of the Lie derivative and Levi-Civita connection in Eq.(3.7), we have

$$hg(\nabla_X \xi, Y) + (Xh)\eta(Y) + hg(X, \nabla_Y \xi) + (Yh)\eta(X)$$
$$+2S^*(X, Y) + 2\lambda g(X, Y) = 0$$

which by using Eq.(2.24) takes the form

(3.8)
$$hg(\nabla_X \xi, Y) + (Xh)\eta(Y) + hg(X, \nabla_Y \xi) + (Yh)\eta(X)$$
$$+2S(X, Y) + 2[\lambda - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)]g(X, Y) - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(X)\eta(Y) = 0.$$

By using Eq.(2.6), Eq.(3.8) turns to

(3.9)
$$2h\beta[g(X,Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)] + (Xh)\eta(Y) + (Yh)\eta(X) + 2S(X,Y) + 2[\lambda - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)]g(X,Y) - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(X)\eta(Y) = 0.$$

Taking $Y = \xi$ and using Eq.(2.1), Eq.(2.3) and Eq.(3.5), Eq.(3.9) reduces to

$$(3.10) (Xh) + (\xi h) = 0.$$

Putting $X = \xi$ in Eq.(3.10) and using Eq.(2.1), we get

$$(3.11) (\xi h) = 0.$$

Combining the equations Eq.(3.10) and Eq.(3.11), we get X(h) = 0, that is, h is constant. Thus from (3.9) we obtain

(3.12)
$$S(X,Y) = -[\lambda + h\beta - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)]g(X,Y) + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + h\beta)\eta(X)\eta(Y).$$

Now putting $Y = \xi$ in Eq.(3.12) and using Eq.(2.17), we get $\lambda = 0$. Thus Eq.(3.12) reduces to

$$S(X,Y) = -[h\beta - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)]g(X,Y) + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + h\beta)\eta(X)\eta(Y).$$

Therefore we have the following theorem:

Theorem 3.2. If (g, V, λ) is a *-Ricci soliton in a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold such that V is pointwise collinear with ξ , then V is a constant multiple of ξ and the manifold is an η -Einstein manifold, Moreover, the Ricci soliton is steady.

4. *-Ricci solitons on 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds satisfying

$$R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$$

Let M be a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$. Therefore we have

(4.1)
$$S(R(\xi, X)Y, Z) + S(Y, R(\xi, X)Z) = 0.$$

By using Eq.(2.13) in Eq.(4.1), we find

$$S(X, Z)\eta(Y) - S(\xi, Z)g(X, Y) + S(Y, X)\eta(Z) - S(Y, \xi)g(X, Z) = 0$$

where $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 \neq 0$, which in view of Eq.(3.5) takes the form

(4.2)
$$S(X,Z)\eta(Y) - [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(X,Y)\eta(Z) - [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(X,Z)\eta(Y) + S(X,Y)\eta(Z) = 0.$$

Putting $Z = \xi$ in Eq.(4.2) and using Eq.(2.1), Eq.(3.5), we get

(4.3)
$$S(X,Z) = [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(X,Z).$$

Now putting $Z = \xi$ in Eq.(4.3) and using Eq.(2.17), we get $\lambda = 0$. Thus Eq.(4.3) reduces to

$$S(X,Z) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(X,Z).$$

Therefore we have the following theorem:

Theorem 4.1. If a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$, then the manifold is an Einstein manifold and the Ricci soliton is steady.

5. *-Ricci solitons on 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds satisfying

$$S \cdot R = 0$$

Let M be a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $(S(X,Y)\cdot R)(U,V)W=0$. This implies that

(5.1)
$$(X \wedge_S Y) R(U, V) W + R((X \wedge_S Y) U, V) W$$
$$+ R(U, (X \wedge_S Y) V) W + R(U, V) (X \wedge_S Y) W = 0.$$

By virtue of Eq.(2.20), Eq.(5.1) takes the form

(5.2)
$$S(Y, R(U, V)W)X - S(X, R(U, V)W)Y + S(Y, U)R(X, V)W$$
$$-S(X, U)R(Y, V)W + S(Y, V)R(U, X)W - S(X, V)R(U, Y)W$$
$$+S(Y, W)R(U, V)X - S(X, W)R(U, V)Y = 0.$$

Taking the inner product of Eq. (5.2) with ξ , we have

$$S(Y, R(U, V)W)\eta(X) - S(X, R(U, V)W)\eta(Y) + S(Y, U)\eta(R(X, V)W)$$
$$-S(X, U)\eta(R(Y, V)W) + S(Y, V)\eta(R(U, X)W) - S(X, V)\eta(R(U, Y)W)$$
$$+S(Y, W)\eta(R(U, V)X) - S(X, W)\eta(R(U, V)Y) = 0$$

which by putting $U=W=\xi$ and using Eq.(2.13)-Eq.(2.15) and Eq.(3.5) takes the form

(5.3)
$$S(Y,V)\eta(X) - S(X,V)\eta(Y) - [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(X,V)\eta(Y) + [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(Y,V)\eta(X) = 0.$$

Now replacing X by ξ and using Eq.(2.1), Eq.(2.3) and Eq.(3.5), Eq.(5.3) turns to

(5.4)
$$S(Y,V) = -[2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(Y,V) + 2[2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]\eta(Y)\eta(V).$$

Now putting $V = \xi$ in Eq.(5.4) and using Eq.(2.17), we get $\lambda = 0$. Thus Eq.(5.4) reduces to

$$S(Y, V) = -2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y, V) + 4(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(Y)\eta(V).$$

Therefore we have the following theorem:

Theorem 5.1. If a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $S \cdot R = 0$, then the manifold is an η -Einstein and the Ricci soliton is steady.

6. *-Ricci solitons on 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds satisfying

$$Q \cdot R = 0$$

Let M be a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $Q \cdot R = 0$. Then we have

(6.1)
$$Q(R(X,Y)Z) - R(QX,Y)Z - R(X,QY)Z - R(X,Y)QZ = 0$$

for all $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$. By virtue of Eq.(3.4), Eq.(6.1) takes the form

$$2[\lambda + \beta - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)]R(X, Y)Z + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)[\eta(R(X, Y)Z)\xi - \eta(X)R(\xi, Y)Z]$$

$$-\eta(Y)R(X,\xi)Z - \eta(Z)R(X,Y)\xi] = 0$$

which by taking the inner product with ξ and using Eq.(2.13), Eq.(2.14) and Eq.(2.16) reduces to

(6.2)
$$[\lambda + \beta - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)](\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(Y, Z)\eta(X) - g(X, Z)\eta(Y)) = 0.$$

Putting $X = \xi$ in Eq.(6.2), we get

$$[\lambda + \beta - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)](\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(\phi Y, \phi Z) = 0$$

from which it follows that

$$\lambda = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \beta,$$

where $g(\phi Y, \phi Z) \neq 0$. Thus we can state the following:

Theorem 6.1. If a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $Q \cdot R = 0$, then either the Ricci solitons is expanding or shrinking according as $(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \beta > 0$ or $(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \beta < 0$. Also for $\alpha = \beta = 0$ (or $\alpha = 0$, $\beta = -1$) the Ricci soliton is steady and in this case the manifold reduces to a cosymplectic (or β -Kenmotsu) manifold.

7. *-Ricci solitons on 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds satisfying

$$R(X,\xi) \cdot P - P(X,\xi) \cdot R = 0$$

Definition 7.1. The projective curvature tensor P in a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold is defined by [1]

(7.1)
$$P(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z - \frac{1}{2}[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y],$$

where $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$.

From Eq.(7.1), we find the following results to use later

(7.2)
$$\begin{cases} P(X,\xi)Y = \frac{\lambda}{2}\eta(Y)X - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(X,Y)\xi + \frac{1}{2}S(X,Y)\xi, \\ P(X,Y)\xi = \frac{\lambda}{2}(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y), \\ P(X,\xi)\xi = \frac{\lambda}{2}(X - \eta(X)\xi). \end{cases}$$

In this section, we consider 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds admitting *-Ricci solitons which satisfies the condition $R(X,\xi) \cdot P - P(X,\xi) \cdot R = 0$, then we have

(7.3)
$$R(X,\xi)P(U,V)W - P(R(X,\xi)U,V)W$$
$$-P(U,R(X,\xi)V)W - P(U,V)R(X,\xi)W$$
$$-P(X,\xi)R(U,V)W + R(P(X,\xi)U,V)W$$
$$+R(U,P(X,\xi)V)W + R(U,V)P(X,\xi)W = 0.$$

Putting $U = W = \xi$ in Eq.(7.3), we have

(7.4)
$$R(X,\xi)P(\xi,V)\xi - P(R(X,\xi)\xi,V)\xi$$
$$-P(\xi,R(X,\xi)V)\xi - P(\xi,V)R(X,\xi)\xi.$$
$$-P(X,\xi)R(\xi,V)\xi + R(P(X,\xi)\xi,V)\xi$$
$$+R(\xi,P(X,\xi)V)\xi + R(\xi,V)P(X,\xi)\xi = 0.$$

By using the equations Eq.(2.13)-Eq.(2.15), Eq.(3.5) and Eq.(7.2), Eq.(7.4) turns to

$$\lambda[2g(V,X)\xi - 2\eta(X)\eta(V)\xi + \eta(X)V + \eta(V)X]$$
$$-4(\alpha^{2} - \beta^{2})g(V,X)\xi + 2S(V,X)\xi = 0, \ (\alpha^{2} - \beta^{2}) \neq 0$$

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(7.5)
$$S(V,X) = [2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda]g(V,X).$$

Now putting $X = \xi$ in Eq.(7.5) and using Eq.(2.17), we get $\lambda = 0$. Thus Eq.(7.5) reduces to

$$S(V, X) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(V, X).$$

Therefore we have the following theorem:

Theorem 7.1. If a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons satisfies $R(X,\xi) \cdot P - P(X,\xi) \cdot R = 0$, then the manifold is an Einstein manifold and the Ricci soliton is steady.

8. ϕ -projectively semisymmetric 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds admitting *-Ricci solitons

Definition 8.1. A 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons is said to be ϕ -projectively semisymmetric if [3, 16]

$$P(X,Y) \cdot \phi = 0$$

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

Let M be a 3-dimensional ϕ -projectively semisymmetric trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons. Therefore $P(X,Y) \cdot \phi = 0$ turns into

(8.1)
$$(P(X,Y) \cdot \phi)Z = P(X,Y)\phi Z - \phi P(X,Y)Z = 0.$$

Taking $X = \xi$ in Eq.(8.1), we have

$$(8.2) (P(\xi, Y) \cdot \phi)Z = P(\xi, Y)\phi Z - \phi P(\xi, Y)Z = 0.$$

From Eq.(7.1), we find

(8.3)
$$\begin{cases} P(\xi, Y)\phi Z = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y, \phi Z)\xi - \frac{1}{2}S(Y, \phi Z)\xi, \\ \phi P(\xi, Y)Z = -\frac{\lambda}{2}\eta(Z)\phi Y. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, by using Eq.(8.3) in Eq.(8.2), we obtain $S(Y, \phi Z)\xi = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y, \phi Z)\xi + \lambda \eta(Z)\phi Y$ which by taking the inner product with ξ reduces to

(8.4)
$$S(Y, \phi Z) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y, \phi Z).$$

By replacing Z by ϕZ in Eq.(8.4) and using Eq.(2.1), we get

(8.5)
$$S(Y,Z) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(Y,Z) - \lambda \eta(Y)\eta(Z).$$

Now putting $Z = \xi$ in Eq.(8.5) and using Eq.(2.16), we get $\lambda = 0$. Thus we have the following theorem:

Theorem 8.1. A 3-dimensional ϕ -projectively semisymmetric trans-Sasakian manifold admitting *-Ricci solitons is an Einstein manifold and the Ricci soliton is steady.

Example [4]: We consider the three dimensional manifold $M = [(x, y, z) \in R^3 \mid z \neq 0]$, where (x, y, z) are the standard coordinates in R^3 . Let e_1 , e_2 and e_3 be the vector fields on M given by

$$e_1 = z \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \ e_2 = z \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \ e_3 = z \frac{\partial}{\partial z},$$

which are linearly independent at each point of M. Let g be the Riemannian metric defined by

$$g(e_1, e_2) = g(e_2, e_3) = g(e_3, e_1) = 0, \ g(e_1, e_1) = g(e_2, e_2) = g(e_3, e_3) = 1,$$

Let η be the 1-form on M defined by $\eta(X) = g(X, e_3)$ for all $X \in \chi(M)$. Let ϕ be the (1, 1)-tensor field on M defined by

$$\phi(e_1) = -e_2, \qquad \phi(e_2) = e_1, \qquad \phi(e_3) = 0.$$

Then using the linearity property of ϕ and q, we have

$$\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)e_3, \ \eta(e_3) = 1 \text{ and } g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

for any vector fields $X, Y \in \chi(M)$. Thus for $e_3 = \xi$, the structure (ϕ, ξ, η, g) defines an almost contact metric structure on M. Let ∇ be the Levi-Civita connection with respect to the metric g. Then we have

$$[e_1, e_2] = 0, [e_2, e_3] = -e_2, [e_1, e_3] = -e_1.$$

The Riemannian connection ∇ with respect to the metric g is given by

$$2g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = Xg(Y, Z) + Yg(Z, X) - Zg(X, Y) + g([X, Y], Z)$$
$$-g([Y, Z], X) + g([Z, X], Y).$$

From above equation which is known as Koszul's formula, we can easily calculate

$$\nabla_{e_1} e_1 = e_3, \quad \nabla_{e_1} e_2 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_1} e_3 = -e_1,$$

$$\nabla_{e_2} e_1 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_2} e_2 = e_3, \quad \nabla_{e_2} e_3 = -e_2,$$

$$\nabla_{e_3} e_1 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_3} e_2 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_3} e_3 = 0.$$

It can be easily shown that M is a trans-Sasakian manifold of type (0, -1). It is known that

$$R(X,Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]} Z.$$

By using the above results, one can easily obtain the components of the curvature tensors as follows:

$$R(e_1, e_2)e_1 = e_2, \ R(e_1, e_2)e_2 = -e_1, \ R(e_1, e_2)e_3 = 0,$$

 $R(e_2, e_3)e_1 = 0, \ R(e_2, e_3)e_2 = e_3, \ R(e_2, e_3)e_3 = -e_2$
 $R(e_1, e_3)e_1 = e_3, \ R(e_1, e_3)e_2 = 0, \ R(e_1, e_3)e_3 = -e_1.$

From these curvature tensors, we calculate the components of Ricci tensor as follows:

$$(8.6) S(e_1, e_1) = S(e_2, e_2) = S(e_3, e_3) = -2.$$

From Eq.(3.3), we have $S(e_3, e_3) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda$. By equating both the values of $S(e_3, e_3)$, we obtain $2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \lambda = -2$, which for $\alpha = 0$ and $\beta = -1$ gives $\lambda = 0$. Thus a *-Ricci soliton (g, ξ, λ) on a 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifold is steady.

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