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**A Condition for a Sasakian Manifold to Be  
of Constant Curvature**

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## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $M=M^m$  a  $C^\infty$ -differentiable connected manifold with  $\dim M=m=2n+1$ .

**Definition**  $M$  is said to have an almost contact structure if it admits a field of endomorphisms, named  $\varphi$ , of the tangent spaces, a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(\xi) &= 1 \\ \eta(\varphi X) &= 0 \quad \forall X \in X(M) \\ \varphi^2 X &= -X + \eta(X)\xi \quad \forall X \in X(M) \\ \varphi\xi &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Definition**  $M$  has an almost contact metric structure if it admits an almost contact structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$  and a Riemannian metric  $g$  such that:

$$\begin{aligned} g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) &= g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y) \quad \forall X, Y \in X(M) \\ g(X, \xi) &= \eta(X) \quad \forall X \in X(M) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection corresponding to  $g$ .

**Definition** A manifold  $M$  with a normal contact metric structure is called Sasakian manifold.

On a Sasakian manifold we have:

- (1)  $R(X, Y)\xi = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y \quad \forall X, Y \in X(M)$
- (2)  $R(\xi, X)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X \quad \forall X, Y \in X(M)$

In what follows all the tensors are defined locally and we shall consider only the restrictions of tensor fields on neighborhoods of the manifold points.

Let  $E_1, \dots, E_m$  an orthonormal basis for  $X(M)$  and let  $\lambda^1, \dots, \lambda^m$  be the dual 1-forms for  $E_i$ ,  $i=1, \dots, m$ . We have  $\lambda^i(E_j) = \delta^i_j$ ,  $i, j=1, \dots, m$ . We define the Ricci tensor  $\text{Ric}: X(M)^2 \rightarrow F(M)$ :

$$\text{Ric}(X, Y) = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda^i(R(E_i, X)Y) \quad \forall X, Y \in X(M)$$

and the Ricci operator  $\text{ric}: X(M) \rightarrow X(M)$ :  $g(\text{ric } X, Y) = g(X, \text{ric } Y) = \text{Ric}(X, Y) \quad \forall X, Y \in X(M)$ .

The scalar of curvature is:

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^m \text{Ric}(E_i, E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda^i(\text{ric } E_i)$$

From (2) we have on a Sasakian manifold:

$$(3) \text{ Ric}(\xi, X) = (m-1)\eta(X) \quad \forall X \in X(M)$$

$$(4) \text{ ric } \xi = (m-1)\xi$$

Let  $(M, g)$  a Riemannian manifold and  $p \in M$ . Let  $X, Y \in T_p M$  independent vectors. We define the sectional curvature  $k(X, Y)$  by

$$k(X, Y) = \frac{g(R(X, Y)Y, X)}{g(X, X)g(Y, Y) - g(X, Y)^2}$$

If  $k$  is independent of the choice of  $p \in M$  and  $X, Y \in T^p M$  we call  $M$  with constant curvature.

**Theorem (F.SCHUR)** A connected Riemannian manifold  $M$  with  $\dim M \geq 3$  for which the sectional curvature is constant at every point has constant curvature. In this case, we have:

$$(5) R(X, Y)Z = k[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] \quad \forall X, Y, Z \in X(M),$$

$k$  being the constant curvature.

On a Sasakian manifold we have ([1]) that  $k(X, \xi) = 1$  for  $X \perp \xi$  therefore if a Sasakian manifold has constant curvature these must be 1.

### 3. Main theorem

Let  $A: X(M)^3 \rightarrow X(M)$ ,

(6)  $A(X, Y)Z = R(X, Y)Z - a[\text{Ric}(Y, Z)X - \text{Ric}(X, Z)Y] - b[g(Y, Z)\text{ric}X - g(X, Z)\text{ric}Y] + c[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] \forall X, Y, Z \in X(M), \forall a, b, c \in F(M), a \neq -1.$

- For  $a=b=c=0$  we obtain the Riemann curvature tensor
- For  $a = \frac{1}{m-1}, b=c=0$  we have the Weyl projective tensor P
- For  $a=b=0, c = -\frac{S}{m(m-1)}$  we have the Yano concircular curvature tensor
- For  $a=b = \frac{1}{m-2}, c = \frac{S}{(m-1)(m-2)}$  we obtain the Weyl conformal curvature tensor.

If M is a Sasakian manifold, we have:

(7)  $A(\xi, Y)Z = [1 + c - b(m-1)]g(Y, Z)\xi + [a(m-1) - 1 - c]\eta(Z)Y - a \cdot \text{Ric}(Y, Z)\xi + b \cdot \eta(Z) \cdot \text{ric}Y \forall Y, Z \in X(M)$

(8)  $A(\xi, Y)\xi = [1 + c - (a+b)(m-1)]\eta(Y)\xi + [a(m-1) - 1 - c]Y + b \cdot \text{ric}Y \forall Y \in X(M)$

From [3] we know that we can consider  $R(X, Y)$  operating on the tensor algebra like a derivation. Therefore, let the equation:

(9)  $R(X, Y)A = 0 \forall X, Y \in X(M)$

From (6),(9) we have:

(10)  $0 = (R(X, \xi)A)(\xi, Y)Z = R(X, \xi)A(\xi, Y)Z - A(R(X, \xi)\xi, Y)Z - A(\xi, R(X, \xi)Y)Z - A(\xi, Y)R(X, \xi)Z \forall X, Y, Z \in X(M)$

Using now (1),(2),(3),(4),(6),(7),(8) we have that (10) becomes:

(11)  $R(X, Y)Z = -a(m-1)\eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi - (a-b)(m-1)\eta(Z)g(X, Y)\xi + (1+b-bm)g(Y, Z)X - (1+a-am)g(X, Z)Y + b(m-1)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - b\eta(Y)\eta(Z)\text{ric}X + (a-b)\eta(Z)\text{Ric}(X, Y)\xi + a\eta(Y)\text{Ric}(X, Z)\xi - a\text{Ric}(X, Z)Y + b g(Y, Z)\text{ric}X$

If in (11) we put  $X = E_i$ , apply  $\lambda^i$  in both sides of the equality and summing for  $i=1, \dots, m$ , we obtain:

(12)  $(a+1)\text{Ric}(Y, Z) = b\eta(Y)\eta(Z)(m^2 - m - S) + g(Y, Z)[(m-1)(a+1) - b(m^2 - m - S)] \forall Y, Z \in X(M)$

Introducing (12) in (11) we obtain:

$$(13) \quad R(X, Y)Z = \frac{2b(a-b)(m^2 - m - S)}{a+1} \eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)\xi + [g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] + \frac{b(m^2 - m - S)}{a+1} [b(\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - g(Y, Z)X + \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi) - a(\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - g(X, Z)Y + \eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi) - (a-b)\eta(Z)g(X, Y)\xi]$$

If in (13) we replace  $b=0$ , we obtain:

$$(14) \quad R(X, Y)Z = g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y$$

therefore  $M$  is of constant curvature.

If  $a=b$  we have from (13):

$$(15) \quad R(X, Y)Z = \left(1 - \frac{a(m^2 - m - S)}{a+1}\right) [g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] - a^2 \frac{a(m^2 - m - S)}{a+1} [\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi + \eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi]$$

If in (15) we have  $S=m(m-1)$  we obtain (14) therefore  $M$  is of constant curvature 1.

If  $S=m(m-1)$  in (13) we obtain also (14).

Let suppose now that  $M$  is of constant curvature. From (13) and (14) we have:

$$(16) \quad \frac{b(m^2 - m - S)}{a+1} [(a-b)\eta(Z)(2\eta(X)\eta(Y) - g(X, Y))\xi + b(\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - g(Y, Z)X + \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi) - a(\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - g(X, Z)Y + \eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi)] = 0$$

Suppose now that  $b \neq 0$ ,  $S \neq m^2 - m$ . If in (16) we take  $X=Y$  such that  $\eta(X)=0$  and  $Z=\xi$ ,  $X \neq 0$  we have:

$$(16) \quad -(a-b)g(X, X)\xi = 0$$

therefore  $a=b$ . But from the preceding discussion we must have  $S=m^2 - m$ . Contradiction. We can conclude:

**Theorem 1** A Sasakian manifold with  $R(X, Y)A=0 \quad \forall X, Y \in X(M)$  is of constant curvature if and only if  $b=0$  or  $b \neq 0$  but  $S=m^2 - m$  where  $m=\dim M$ . The constant curvature is 1.

**Corollary 1 ([5])** A Sasakian manifold satisfying  $R(X,Y)R=0 \quad \forall X,Y \in X(M)$  is of constant curvature.

**Corollary 2** A Sasakian manifold with  $R(X,Y)P=0$  where  $P$  is the Weyl projective curvature tensor is of constant curvature 1.

**Corollary 3** A Sasakian manifold projectively flat is of constant curvature 1.

**Corollary 4** A Sasakian manifold with  $R(X,Y)K=0$  where  $K$  is the Yano concircular curvature tensor is of constant curvature 1.

**Corollary 5** Sasakian manifold with  $R(X,Y)C=0$  and  $S=m^2-m$  where  $C$  is the Weyl conformal curvature tensor is of constant curvature 1.

**Corollary 6 ([4])** A Sasakian manifold conformally flat is of constant curvature (if it has  $S=m(m-1)$ ).

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