

# On Ricci pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds

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**Abstract:** Considered a para-Kenmotsu manifold with the curvature condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$  and shown that it is an Einstein manifold. Further, we consider para-Kenmotsu manifolds with the conditions  $R(X, Y).S = fQ(g, S)$  and  $R(X, Y).R = fQ(S, R)$ , known as the Ricci and generalised Ricci pseudo-symmetric manifolds respectively, and obtained the necessary conditions for these manifolds to be non-Einstein. The notations  $S(X, Y)$  and  $R(X, Y)$  denote the Ricci and Riemannian curvature tensors respectively.

**Keywords:** Para Kenmotsu manifold, Ricci pseudo-symmetric manifold, Einstein manifold, Ricci tensor.

## 1 Introduction

Sato [10] defined the notions of an almost para contact Riemannian manifold. After that, Adati and Matsumoto [1] defined and studied  $p$ -Sasakian and  $sp$ -Sasakian manifolds which are regarded as a special kind of an almost contact Riemannian manifolds. Before Sato, Kenmotsu [9] defined a class of almost contact Riemannian manifolds. In 1995, Sinha and Sai Prasad [14] defined a class of almost para contact metric manifolds namely para Kenmotsu (briefly  $p$ -Kenmotsu) and special para Kenmotsu (briefly  $sp$ -Kenmotsu) manifolds.

As a generalization of locally symmetric spaces, many geometers have considered semi-symmetric spaces and in turn their generalizations. Locally symmetric, semisymmetric and pseudosymmetric para-Sasakian manifolds are widely studied by many geometers [2, 5, 6].

Motivated by these studies, Satyanarayana and Sai Prasad [12] studied Weyl semisymmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds, and they prove that such a manifold is conformally flat and hence is an  $sp$ -Kenmotsu manifold. Further, they studied [13] Weyl-pseudosymmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds which are the extended classes of Weyl-semisymmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds. They showed that every  $n$ -dimensional,  $n \geq 4$ , para-Kenmotsu manifold is a Weyl-pseudosymmetric manifold of the form  $R.C = -Q(g, C)$ . Also, they studied para-Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying the condition  $C(X, Y).S = 0$  where  $C(X, Y)$  is the Weyl conformal curvature tensor and  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of the manifold [13].

In this study, our aim is to obtain the characterisations of Ricci-pseudosymmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds and also the para-Kenmotsu manifold satisfying the curvature condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$  where  $R(X, Y)$  is the curvature tensor and  $S(X, Y)$  is the Ricci tensor of the manifold.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $M_n$  be an  $n$ -dimensional differentiable manifold equipped with structure tensors  $(\Phi, \xi, \eta)$  where  $\Phi$  is a tensor of type  $(1, 1)$ ,  $\xi$  is a vector field,  $\eta$  is a 1-form such that

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & \eta(\xi) = 1 \\ (b) \quad & \Phi^2(X) = X - \eta(X)\xi; \bar{X} = \Phi X. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Then the manifold  $M_n$  is called an almost para contact manifold.

Let  $g$  be the Riemannian metric such that, for all vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M_n$

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & g(X, \xi) = \eta(X) \\ (b) \quad & \Phi\xi = 0, \eta(\Phi X) = 0, \text{rank } \Phi = n - 1 \\ (c) \quad & g(\Phi X, \Phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y). \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Then the manifold  $M_n$  [10] is said to admit an almost para contact Riemannian structure  $(\Phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ .

A manifold of dimension  $n$  with Riemannian metric  $g$  admitting a tensor field  $\Phi$  of type  $(1,1)$ , a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying (1), (2) along with

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & (\nabla_X \eta)Y - (\nabla_Y \eta)X = 0 \\ (b) \quad & (\nabla_X \nabla_Y \eta)Z = [-g(X, Z) + \eta(X)\eta(Z)]\eta(Y) + [-g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)]\eta(Z) \\ (c) \quad & \nabla_X \xi = \Phi^2 X = X - \eta(X)\xi \\ (d) \quad & (\nabla_X \Phi)Y = -g(X, \Phi Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\Phi X \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

is called a para-Kenmotsu manifold or briefly  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold [14].

A  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold admitting a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & (\nabla_X \eta)Y = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \text{ and} \\ (b) \quad & (\nabla_X \eta)Y = \varphi(\bar{X}, Y), \text{ where } \varphi \text{ is an associate of } \Phi \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

is called a special para-Kenmotsu manifold or briefly  $sp$ -Kenmotsu manifold [14].

Let  $(M_n, g)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional,  $n \geq 3$ , differentiable manifold of class  $C^\infty$  and let  $\nabla$  be its Levi-Civita connection. Then the Riemannian Christoffel curvature tensor  $R$  of type  $(1, 3)$  is given by [3]:

$$R(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z - \nabla_{BW} Z. \tag{5}$$

where  $BW = [X, Y]^Z$ , The Ricci operator  $S$  and the  $(0,2)$ -tensor  $S^2$  is defined by

$$g(SX, Y) = S(X, Y), \tag{6}$$

and

$$S^2(X, Y) = S(SX, Y). \tag{7}$$

It is known that in a  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold the following relations hold good [14]:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad & S(X, \xi) = -(n-1)\eta(X) \\
 (b) \quad & g[R(X, Y)Z, \xi] = \eta[R(X, Y, Z)] = g(X, Z)\eta(Y) - g(Y, Z)\eta(X) \\
 (c) \quad & R(\xi, X)Y = \eta(Y)X - g(X, Y)\xi \\
 (d) \quad & R(X, Y, \xi) = \eta(X)Y - \eta(Y)X; \text{ when } X \text{ is orthogonal to } \xi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

If the Ricci curvature tensor  $S$  is of the form

$$S = aI_d + b\eta \otimes \xi, \tag{9}$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are smooth functions on  $M_n$ , then the almost paracontact Riemannian manifold  $M_n$  is called as an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold and if  $b = 0$  then it is an Einstein manifold [2].

Furthermore we define the tensors  $R(X, Y).S$  and  $R(X, Y).R$  on  $(M_n, g)$  by

$$(R(X, Y).S)(Z, W) = -S(R(X, Y)Z, W) - S(Z, R(X, Y)W) \tag{10}$$

and

$$(R(X, Y).R)(Z, W)U = R(X, Y)R(Z, W)U - R(R(X, Y)Z, W)U - R(Z, R(X, Y)W)U - R(Z, W)R(X, Y)U; \tag{11}$$

where  $X, Y, Z, W \in \chi(M_n)$ ,  $\chi(M_n)$  being the Lie algebra of vector fields on  $M_n$ .

For a  $(0, k)$ -tensor field  $T$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , on  $(M_n, g)$  we define the tensors  $R.T$  and  $Q(g, T)$  by

$$(R(X, Y).T)(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) = -T(R(X, Y)X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) - \dots - T(X_1, \dots, X_{k-1}, R(X, Y)X_k), \tag{12}$$

$$Q(g, T)(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k; X, Y) = -T((X \wedge Y)X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) - \dots - T(X_1, \dots, X_{k-1}, (X \wedge Y)X_k) \tag{13}$$

respectively [8, 15], where the endomorphism  $(X \wedge Y)$  is defined by

$$(X \wedge_g Y)Z = g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y. \tag{14}$$

If the tensors  $R(X, Y).S$  and  $Q(g, S)$  are linearly dependent then the manifold  $M_n$  is called Ricci pseudo-symmetric [15]. This is equivalent to

$$R.S = f Q(g, S), \tag{15}$$

holding on the set  $U_S = \{x \in M_n/S \neq 0 \text{ at } x\}$ , where  $f$  is some function of  $U_S$ .

Analogously, if the tensors  $R(X, Y).R$  and  $Q(S, R)$  are linearly dependent then the manifold  $M_n$  is called Ricci generalised pseudo-symmetric [15]. This is equivalent to

$$R.R = f Q(S, R), \tag{16}$$

holding on the set  $U_R = \{x \in M_n/\mathbb{R} \neq 0 \text{ at } x\}$ , where  $f$  is some function of  $U_R$ . An important subclass of this class of manifolds realizing the condition is:

$$R.R = Q(S, R). \quad (17)$$

For example, in the literature cited in [7], every three dimensional manifold satisfies the above equation identically. Also, the above equation will be satisfied by the semi-Riemannian manifolds which satisfies the equality  $\omega(X)R(Y, Z) + \omega(Y)R(Z, X) + \omega(Z)R(X, Y) = 0$ , where  $\omega$  is a non-zero 1-form.

Moreover, the condition  $R.R = Q(S, R)$  also appears in the theory of plane gravitational waves.

The paper is organized as follows: After preliminaries, in section 3 we characterise a para-Kenmotsu manifold satisfying the curvature condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$ . In Section 4, we study Ricci pseudo-symmetric  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold. It is shown that a  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold is Ricci pseudo-symmetric if and only if it is an Einstein manifold provided  $f \neq -1$ . Further, the concept of Ricci pseudo-symmetric  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold is generalised and shown that the Ricci generalised pseudo-symmetric  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold is an Einstein manifold provided  $nf \neq 1$ .

### 3 $P$ -Kenmotsu manifold satisfying the curvature condition $S(X, Y).R = 0$

In this section our aim is to find the characterisation of para-Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying the curvature condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$ .

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $M_n$  ( $n \geq 4$ ) be an  $n$ -dimensional  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold. If the condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$  holds on  $M_n$  then the manifold is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $M_n$  is an  $n$ -dimensional,  $n \geq 4$ ,  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold satisfying the condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$ . Then we have

$$(S(X, Y).R)(U, V)W = 0. \quad (18)$$

The equation (18) implies

$$(X \wedge_S Y)R(U, V)W + R((X \wedge_S Y)U, V)W + R(U, (X \wedge_S Y)V)W + R(U, V)(X \wedge_S Y)W = 0. \quad (19)$$

Then from (14), the above equation reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} S(Y, R(U, V)W)X - S(X, R(U, V)W)Y + S(Y, U)R(X, V)W - S(X, U)R(Y, V)W + S(Y, V)R(U, X)W \\ - S(X, V)R(U, Y)W + S(Y, W)R(U, V)X - S(X, W)R(U, V)Y = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

By substituting  $U = W = \xi$  in (20) and on using equations (c) and (d) of (8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2S(Y, V)X - 2S(X, V)Y + 2(n-1)\eta(V)\eta(Y)X - 2(n-1)\eta(X)\eta(V)Y - S(Y, V)\eta(X)\xi \\ + S(X, V)\eta(Y)\xi + (n-1)g(V, X)\eta(Y)\xi - (n-1)g(V, Y)\eta(X)\xi = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Now by taking the inner product of (21) with  $\xi$ , and on replacing  $X$  with  $\xi$ , then from equation (8)(a) we get that

$$S(Y, V) = (n-1)g(Y, V) - 2(n-1)\eta(Y)\eta(V). \quad (22)$$

This proves that the  $p$ -Kenmotsu manifold with the condition  $S(X, Y).R = 0$  is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold.

#### 4 Ricci pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds

In this section, we consider the manifold satisfying the condition  $R(X, Y).S = fQ(g, S)$ , known as the Ricci pseudo-symmetric manifold. Let us assume that the manifold  $M_n$  ( $n \geq 4$ ) is an  $n$ -dimensional Ricci pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifold and  $X, Y, U, V \in \chi(M_n)$ .

Then from (15), we have

$$(R(X, Y).S)(U, V) = fQ(g, S)(X, Y; U, V). \quad (23)$$

The above equation is equivalent to

$$(R(X, Y).S)(U, V) = f((X \wedge_g Y).S)(U, V). \quad (24)$$

Then by using (10), (13) and (24), we have

$$-S(R(X, Y)U, V) - S(U, R(X, Y)V) = f[-S((X \wedge_g Y)U, V) - S(U, (X \wedge_g Y)V)]. \quad (25)$$

Using (14), equation (25) reduces to

$$-S(R(X, Y)U, V) - S(U, R(X, Y)V) = f[-g(Y, U)S(X, V) + g(X, U)S(Y, V) - g(Y, V)S(U, X) + g(X, V)S(U, Y)]. \quad (26)$$

By substituting  $X = U = \xi$  in (26) and on using the equations (a) and (c) of (8), we get

$$(1 + f)[S(Y, V) + (n - 1)g(Y, V)] = 0. \quad (27)$$

Then from (27), either  $f = -1$  or the manifold is an Einstein manifold of the form  $S(Y, V) = (1 - n)g(Y, V)$ . Hence, from the above result, we propose the following.

**Proposition 1.** *Every  $n$ -dimensional Ricci pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifold  $M_n$  is of the form  $R(X, Y).S = -Q(g, S)$ , provided the manifold is non-Einstein.*

*Conversely, if the manifold is an Einstein manifold of the form  $S(Y, V) = (1 - n)g(Y, V)$ , then it is clear that  $R(X, Y).S = fQ(g, S)$ .*

Thus we state the following.

**Theorem 2.** *An  $n$ -dimensional para-Kenmotsu manifold  $M_n$  is Ricci pseudo-symmetric if and only if the manifold is an Einstein manifold provided  $f \neq -1$ .*

In particular, if we consider  $Q(g, S) = 0$ , then we can state the following.

**Corollary 1.** *An  $n$ -dimensional para-Kenmotsu manifold  $M_n$  satisfies the condition  $Q(g, S) = 0$  if and only if  $M_n$  is an Einstein manifold.*

#### 5 Ricci generalised pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifolds

In this section, we consider the manifold satisfying the condition  $R(X, Y).R = fQ(S, R)$ , known as the Ricci generalised pseudo-symmetric manifold. Let us assume that the manifold  $M_n$  ( $n \geq 4$ ) is an  $n$ -dimensional generalised Ricci pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifold and  $X, Y, U, V \in \chi(M_n)$ .

Then from (16), we have

$$(R(X, Y).R)(U, V)W = fQ(S, R)(X, Y; U, V)W. \quad (28)$$

The above equation is equivalent to

$$(R(X, Y).R)(U, V)W = f((X \wedge_S Y).R)(U, V)W. \quad (29)$$

Then by using (11), (13) and (29), we get

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)R(U, V)W - R(R(X, Y)U, V)W - R(U, R(X, Y)V)W - R(U, V)R(X, Y)W &= f[(X \wedge_S Y)R(U, V)W \\ - R((X \wedge_S Y)U, V)W - R(U, (X \wedge_S Y)V)W - R(U, V)(X \wedge_S Y)W]. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Using (14), equation (30) reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)R(U, V)W - R(R(X, Y)U, V)W - R(U, R(X, Y)V)W - R(U, V)R(X, Y)W &= f[S(Y, R(U, V)W)X \\ - S(X, R(U, V)W)Y - S(Y, U)R(X, V)W + S(X, U)R(Y, V)W - S(Y, V)R(U, X)W \\ + S(X, V)R(U, Y)W - S(Y, W)R(U, V)X + S(X, W)R(U, V)Y]. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

By substituting  $X = U = \xi$  in (31) and on using the equations (a), (c) and (d) of (8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} -g(V, W)Y + g(V, W)\eta(Y)\xi - R(Y, V)W + \eta(Y)\eta(W)V - g(V, W)\eta(Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\eta(W)V + g(Y, W)V \\ = f[\eta(W)S(Y, V)\xi - (n-1)g(V, W)Y - (n-1)R(Y, V)W - S(Y, W)V \\ + (n-1)g(Y, W)\eta(V)\xi + S(Y, W)\eta(V)\xi + (n-1)g(V, Y)\eta(W)\xi]. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Now, by taking the inner product of (32), we get

$$\begin{aligned} -g(V, W)g(Y, Z) - g(R(Y, V)W, Z) + g(Y, W)g(V, Z) &= f[S(Y, V)\eta(W)\eta(Z) - (n-1)g(V, W)g(Y, Z) \\ - (n-1)g(R(Y, V)W, Z) - S(Y, W)g(V, Z) + (n-1)g(Y, W)\eta(V)\eta(Z) \\ + S(Y, W)\eta(V)\eta(Z) + (n-1)g(V, Y)\eta(W)\eta(Z)]. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Let  $\{e_i\}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) be an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at any point. Now, by taking the summation over  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  of the relation (33) for  $V = W = e_i$ , we get

$$S(Y, Z) + (n-1)g(Y, Z) = n f[S(Y, Z) + (n-1)g(Y, Z)]. \quad (34)$$

The above equation implies either  $f = 1/n$  or the manifold is an Einstein manifold of the form  $S(Y, Z) = -(n-1)$ . Hence, from the above result, we propose the following.

**Proposition 2.** Every  $n$ -dimensional Ricci generalised pseudo-symmetric para-Kenmotsu manifold  $M_n$  is of the form  $R(X, Y).R = 1/n Q(S, R)$ , provided the manifold is non-Einstein.

Thus we state the following.

**Theorem 3.** An  $n$ -dimensional Ricci generalised para-Kenmotsu manifold  $M_n$  is an Einstein manifold provided  $nf \neq 1$ .

In particular, if we consider  $Q(S, R) = 0$ , then from the above theorem we state the following.

**Corollary 2.** If an  $n$ -dimensional para-Kenmotsu manifold  $M_n$  satisfies the condition  $Q(S, R) = 0$  then the manifold  $M_n$  is an Einstein manifold.

*Remark.* The above findings are quite in similar to the results obtained for Ricci pseudo-symmetric para-Sasakian manifolds [7].

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