

# A Note on An Almost Contact Metric Manifold with A Type of Semi-symmetric Non-metric Connection

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## Abstract

In this paper, we focus on an almost contact metric manifold admitting a type of semi-symmetric non-metric connection. We find the expression for the curvature tensor of such a manifold. Furthermore, we study the properties of the curvature tensor and the projective curvature tensor.

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## 1. Introduction

An odd dimensional differentiable manifold  $M$  of class  $C^\infty$  is said to have an almost contact structure by Gray [9] if the structural group of its tangent bundle reduces to  $U(n) \times 1$ . In 1960, Sasaki [15] showed that the notions of an almost contact structure and a  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$ - structure satisfying certain conditions are equivalent. There are many different types of almost contact structures defined in the literature such as cosymplectic, Sasakian, almost cosymplectic, quasi Sasakian, normal,  $\alpha$ -Kenmotsu,  $\alpha$ -Sasakian, trans-Sasakian, etc... [2, 3, 11, 13].

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be an  $n(= 2m + 1)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold of class  $C^\infty$ . Let there exist in  $M^n$  a 1-form  $\eta$ , a vector field  $\xi$  and a vector valued linear function  $\phi$  such that

$$\phi^2 = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad (1.1)$$

for any vector field  $X$ . Then  $M^n$  is called an almost contact manifold and the system  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$  is called an almost contact structure to  $M^n$ .

From (1.1), it follows [3]

$$\phi\xi = 0, \quad \eta(\phi X) = 0, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1. \quad (1.2)$$

If the Riemannian metric  $g$  in  $M^n$  satisfies

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad (1.3)$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  in  $M^n$ , then  $(M^n, g)$  is called an almost contact metric manifold and  $g$  is called a compatible metric [15]. In view of (1.2) and (1.3), we get

$$g(\xi, Y) = \eta(Y) \quad (1.4)$$

and

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$$g(X, \phi Y) = g(\phi X, Y). \quad (1.5)$$

The notion of semi-symmetric linear connection on a differentiable manifold was introduced by Friedmann and Schouten [8]. Let  $\bar{\nabla}$  be a linear connection in an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold with Riemannian metric  $g$ . A linear connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  on a Riemannian manifold  $M^n$  is called a *semi-symmetric connection* if the torsion tensor  $T$  of the connection  $\bar{\nabla}$

$$T(X, Y) = \bar{\nabla}_X Y - \bar{\nabla}_Y X - [X, Y] \quad (1.6)$$

satisfies

$$T(X, Y) = \pi(Y)X - \pi(X)Y, \quad (1.7)$$

where  $\pi$  is a 1-form. The connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  is a metric connection if there is a Riemannian metric  $g$  in  $M^n$  such that  $\bar{\nabla}g = 0$ , otherwise it is non-metric. In 1932, Hayden [10] defined a semi-symmetric metric connection on a Riemannian manifold and Yano [17] developed it. Several authors such as Pravonovich [14], Agashe and Chafle [1], Liang [12] and Sengupta, De and Binh [16] introduced a semi-symmetric non-metric connection in different ways and this connection is studied by many authors [7, 16, 18], etc.... Recently, Chaubey and Ojha [4, 5] defined a new type of semi-symmetric non-metric connection in an almost contact metric manifold. In 2011, These authors [6] studied some properties of a semi-symmetric non-metric connection in a Kenmotsu manifold.

In the present paper we consider a semi-symmetric non-metric connection in the sense of Agashe and Chafle [1] and define a semi-symmetric non-metric connection in an almost contact metric manifold by identifying the 1-form  $\pi$  of (1.7) with a 1-form  $\eta$ , i.e., by setting

$$T(X, Y) = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y \quad (1.8)$$

and deal with almost contact manifolds admitting a type of semi symmetric non-metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  satisfying the condition (1.8) and

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X T)((Y, Z) = \delta(X)T(Y, Z) + w(X)g(Y, Z)\rho, \quad (1.9)$$

where  $\delta$  and  $w$  are non-zero 1-forms defined by

$$\delta(X) = g(X, P), \quad w(X) = g(X, \rho) \quad (1.10)$$

and the 1-form  $w$  satisfies

$$w(R(X, Y)Z) = 0. \quad (1.11)$$

In Section 3 we find the expression for curvature tensor of  $\bar{\nabla}$  and deduce some properties of the curvature tensor. It is proved that if the curvature tensor of  $\bar{\nabla}$  vanishes, the 1-form  $\eta$  of the manifold is closed, the vector field  $\xi$  is irrotational and the integral curves of  $\xi$  are geodesics. In Section 4 we deal with the projective curvature tensor of  $\bar{\nabla}$  and we obtain that if the Ricci tensor of  $\bar{\nabla}$  is symmetric, the projective curvature tensors of the manifold with respect to the Levi-Civita connection and the semi symmetric connection are equal. Next we prove that if the Ricci tensor of  $\bar{\nabla}$  vanishes, then the projective curvature tensor of the manifold is equal to the curvature tensor of the manifold with respect to the semi symmetric non-metric connection. Finally, if the curvature tensor of  $\bar{\nabla}$  vanishes, we show that it is projectively flat, its scalar curvature tensor  $r$  is not zero and the vector field  $\xi$  is a Ricci principal direction with corresponding eigen value  $r$  and we also obtain the expressions of the curvature tensor  $R$  and the Ricci tensor  $S$  of this manifold.

## 2. Preliminaries

The relation between the semi-symmetric non-metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  and the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  of  $(M^n, g)$  is defined in the following form by Agashe and Chafle [1]

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \pi(Y)X \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\pi$  is a 1-form.

Further, a relation between the curvature tensors  $R$  and  $\bar{R}$  of type (1,3) of the connections  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  respectively are given by [1]

$$\bar{R}(X, Y)Z = R(X, Y)Z + \alpha(X, Z)Y - \alpha(Y, Z)X \quad (2.2)$$

where  $\alpha$  is a tensor field of type (0,2) defined by

$$\alpha(X, Y) = (\nabla_X \pi)(Y) - \pi(X)\pi(Y) = (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y). \quad (2.3)$$

Contracting (2.2) we have

$$\bar{S}(Y, Z) = S(Y, Z) + (1 - n)\alpha(Y, Z) \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\bar{S}$  and  $S$  denote the Ricci tensors of the semi-symmetric non-metric connection and Levi-Civita connection, respectively.

### 3. Almost contact metric manifolds admitting a special type of semi-symmetric non-metric connection

In this section we consider an almost contact metric manifold admitting semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) and it satisfies (1.9). Then, from (1.8), contracting over  $X$ , we get

$$(C_1^1 T)(Y) = (n - 1)\eta(Y). \quad (3.1)$$

From (3.1), it follows that

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X C_1^1 T)(Y) = (n - 1)(\bar{\nabla}_X \eta)(Y). \quad (3.2)$$

Contracting (1.9) and using (3.1), we get

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X C_1^1 T)(Y) = (n - 1)\delta(X)\eta(Y) + w(X)w(Y). \quad (3.3)$$

Using (3.2), from (3.3), we obtain

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \eta)(Y) = \delta(X)\eta(Y) + \frac{1}{n - 1}w(X)w(Y). \quad (3.4)$$

Since  $\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \eta(Y)X$ , from  $(\bar{\nabla}_X \eta)(Y) = \bar{\nabla}_X \eta(Y) - \eta(\bar{\nabla}_X Y)$ , it follows that

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \eta)(Y) = (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y). \quad (3.5)$$

Combining (3.4) and (3.5), we have

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = \eta(X)\eta(Y) + \delta(X)\eta(Y) + \frac{1}{n - 1}w(X)w(Y), \quad (3.6)$$

in virtue of (2.3) and (3.5), we get

$$\alpha(X, Y) = \delta(X)\eta(Y) + \frac{1}{n - 1}w(X)w(Y). \quad (3.7)$$

Now, using (2.2) and (3.7), the expression of the curvature tensor  $\bar{R}$  with respect to the connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z &= R(X, Y)Z + \left\{ \delta(X)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n - 1}w(X)w(Z) \right\} Y \\ &\quad - \left\{ \delta(Y)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n - 1}w(Y)w(Z) \right\} X. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Thus we can state the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.1.** *The curvature tensor with respect to  $\bar{\nabla}$  of an almost contact metric manifold admitting the semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) is of the form (3.8).*

Replacing  $X$  with  $Y$  in (3.8), from (3.8), it is clear that

$$\bar{R}(X, Y)Z = -\bar{R}(Y, X)Z. \quad (3.9)$$

From (3.8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z + \bar{R}(Y, Z)X + \bar{R}(Z, X)Y &= \{\delta(Z)\eta(Y) - \delta(Y)\eta(Z)\} X \\ &+ \{\delta(X)\eta(Z) - \delta(Z)\eta(X)\} Y \\ &+ \{\delta(Y)\eta(X) - \delta(X)\eta(Y)\} Z. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

This is the first Bianchi identity with respect to  $\bar{\nabla}$ .

Again from (3.8), we get by contracting  $X$

$$\bar{S}(Y, Z) = S(Y, Z) - (n-1)\delta(Y)\eta(Z) - w(Y)w(Z). \quad (3.11)$$

In (3.11) we put  $Y = Z = e_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ , where  $\{e_i\}$  is an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at each point of the manifold. Then summing over  $i$  we get

$$\bar{r} = r - (n-1)\delta(\xi) - w(\rho) \quad (3.12)$$

where  $\bar{r}$  and  $r$  denote the scalar curvatures of this manifold with respect to  $\bar{\nabla}$  and  $\nabla$ , respectively.

From (3.11), it follows that  $\bar{S}$  is symmetric if and only if

$$\delta(Y)\eta(Z) = \delta(Z)\eta(Y). \quad (3.13)$$

Putting  $Z = \xi$  in (3.13) and using (1.2), we get

$$\delta(Y) = a\eta(Y) \quad (3.14)$$

where  $a = \delta(\xi)$ .

Now let us assume that  $\bar{S}$  is symmetric. Then (3.10) and (3.14) we get

$$\bar{R}(X, Y)Z + \bar{R}(Y, Z)X + \bar{R}(Z, X)Y = 0. \quad (3.15)$$

Conversely, we assume that (3.15) holds, then in virtue of (3.10) we have

$$\{\delta(Z)\eta(Y) - \delta(Y)\eta(Z)\} X + \{\delta(X)\eta(Z) - \delta(Z)\eta(X)\} Y + \{\delta(Y)\eta(X) - \delta(X)\eta(Y)\} Z = 0. \quad (3.16)$$

Contracting  $X$ , from (3.16), it follows that

$$\delta(Y)\eta(Z) - \delta(Z)\eta(Y) = 0. \quad (3.17)$$

Hence by (3.13),  $\bar{S}$  is symmetric.

Thus, we can state the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.2.** *A necessary and sufficient condition for the Ricci tensor of an almost contact metric manifold with respect to the semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) to be symmetric is*

$$\bar{R}(X, Y)Z + \bar{R}(Y, Z)X + \bar{R}(Z, X)Y = 0.$$

From (3.8) and (3.14), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y)Z &= R(X, Y)Z + \left\{ a\eta(X)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n-1}w(X)w(Z) \right\} Y \\ &- \left\{ a\eta(Y)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n-1}w(Y)w(Z) \right\} X. \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

We now define a covariant curvature tensor  $\bar{R}$  of type (0,4) by

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, Z, V) = g(\bar{R}(X, Y)Z, V). \quad (3.19)$$

In virtue of (3.19), from (3.18), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y, Z, V) &= R(X, Y, Z, V) + \left\{ a\eta(X)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n-1}w(X)w(Z) \right\} g(Y, V) \\ &\quad - \left\{ a\eta(Y)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n-1}w(Y)w(Z) \right\} g(X, V). \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

If  $\bar{R} = 0$ , then we get

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y, Z, V) &= \left\{ a\eta(Y)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n-1}w(Y)w(Z) \right\} g(X, V) \\ &\quad - \left\{ a\eta(X)\eta(Z) + \frac{1}{n-1}w(X)w(Z) \right\} g(Y, V) \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

and

$$S(Y, Z) = (n-1)a\eta(Z)\eta(Y) + w(Z)w(Y). \quad (3.22)$$

Thus, from (3.21) and (3.22), it follows that

$$R(X, Y, Z, V) = \frac{1}{(n-1)} \{S(Y, Z)g(X, V) - S(X, Z)g(Y, V)\}. \quad (3.23)$$

Putting  $V = \rho$  in (3.23), we obtain

$$w(R(X, Y)Z) = \frac{1}{(n-1)} \{S(Y, Z)w(X) - S(X, Z)w(Y)\}. \quad (3.24)$$

Using (1.11) and (3.22), we get

$$a \{ \eta(Y)w(X) - \eta(X)w(Y) \} = 0. \quad (3.25)$$

Since  $\delta$  is a non-zero 1-form, from the above equation, it follows that

$$\eta(Y)w(X) = \eta(X)w(Y). \quad (3.26)$$

Hence by (1.2) and (3.26), we have

$$w(Y) = b\eta(Y) \quad (3.27)$$

where  $b = w(\xi)$ .

From (3.6), (3.14) and (3.27), it follows that

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = \left[ 1 + a + \frac{b^2}{n-1} \right] \eta(X)\eta(Y). \quad (3.28)$$

Therefore, we get

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = (\nabla_Y \eta)(X). \quad (3.29)$$

Hence by (3.29), we find that the 1-form  $\eta$  is closed. From (3.14) and (3.27), it follows that the 1-forms  $\delta$  and  $w$  are also closed.

Furthermore, using (3.29), we have

$$g(Y, \nabla_X \xi) = g(X, \nabla_Y \xi), \quad (3.30)$$

which implies that the vector field  $\xi$  is irrotational. Since  $g(\xi, \xi) = 1$ , then

$$g(X, \nabla_\xi \xi) = 0, \tag{3.31}$$

that is,  $\nabla_\xi \xi = 0$  which implies that the integral curves of  $\xi$  are geodesics.

Hence we can state:

**Theorem 3.3.** *If an almost contact metric manifold admits a semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) and whose curvature tensor vanishes, then the 1-form  $\eta$  of the manifold is closed, the vector field  $\xi$  is irrotational and the integral curves of  $\xi$  are geodesics.*

### 4. Projective curvature tensor

The projective curvature tensor of type (1, 3) of an almost contact metric manifold with respect to the semi-symmetric non-metric connection is defined by

$$\bar{P}(X, Y)Z = \bar{R}(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{n-1} \{ \bar{S}(Y, Z)X - \bar{S}(X, Z)Y \}. \tag{4.1}$$

If, in particular,  $\bar{S}$  is symmetric, then we already have  $\delta(Y) = \delta(\xi)\eta(Y)$ . Thus, using (3.8) and (3.11), we get from (4.1)

$$\bar{P}(X, Y)Z = P(X, Y)Z, \tag{4.2}$$

where  $P(X, Y)Z$  is the projective curvature tensor of the manifold with respect to the Levi-Civita connection defined as

$$P(X, Y)Z = R(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{n-1} \{ S(Y, Z)X - S(X, Z)Y \}. \tag{4.3}$$

So, we have

**Theorem 4.1.** *If the Ricci tensor of an almost contact metric manifold with respect to the semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) is symmetric, then the projective curvature tensors of the manifold with respect to the Levi-Civita connection and the semi symmetric non-metric connection are equal.*

In virtue of (4.2) and (4.3) we can state the following:

**Corollary 4.1.** *If the Ricci tensor of an almost contact metric manifold with respect to the semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) is symmetric, then it is satisfied the conditions:*

- i  $\bar{P}(X, Y)Z + \bar{P}(Y, Z)X = 0$ ,
- ii  $\bar{P}(X, Y)Z + \bar{P}(Y, Z)X + \bar{P}(Z, X)Y = 0$ .

Next, if in particular  $\bar{S} = 0$ , then from (4.1) and (4.2) we have

$$P(X, Y)Z = \bar{R}(X, Y)Z. \tag{4.4}$$

So we can state:

**Theorem 4.2.** *If the Ricci tensor of an almost contact metric manifold with respect to the semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) vanishes, then the projective curvature tensor of the manifold is equal to the curvature tensor of the manifold with respect to the semi symmetric non-metric connection.*

If  $\bar{R} = 0$ , then from (3.18) and (3.27), it follows that

$$R(X, Y)Z = \left[ a - \frac{b^2}{n-1} \right] \eta(Z) \{ \eta(X)Y - \eta(Y)X \}. \tag{4.5}$$

Contracting (4.5) we get

$$S(Y, Z) = [b^2 - a(n-1)] \eta(Y)\eta(Z). \tag{4.6}$$

Further contraction yields

$$r = b^2 - a(n - 1). \quad (4.7)$$

Let  $L$  be the symmetric linear operator such that

$$S(Y, Z) = g(LY, Z). \quad (4.8)$$

Thus from (4.6) and (4.8), we get

$$g(LY, Z) = r\eta(Y)\eta(Z). \quad (4.9)$$

Putting  $Y = \xi$  in (4.9) and using (1.2), we obtain

$$L\xi = r\xi. \quad (4.10)$$

Hence, using (4.3) we have the following theorem:

**Theorem 4.3.** *If an almost contact metric manifold admits a semi-symmetric non-metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  with the vector field  $\xi$  whose curvature tensor  $\bar{R}$  vanishes and whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9), then*

- i *The curvature tensor  $R$  and the Ricci tensor  $S$  of this manifold are respectively given by (4.5) and (4.6). Its scalar curvature is also not zero.*
- ii *It is projectively flat.*
- iii *The vector field  $\xi$  is a Ricci principal direction with corresponding eigen value  $r$ .*

Moreover, from (1.2), (1.4), (4.5) and (4.6) we can state the following theorem:

**Theorem 4.4.** *If an almost contact metric manifold admits a semi-symmetric non-metric connection whose torsion tensor  $T$  is given by (1.8) satisfies (1.9) and whose curvature tensor vanishes, then we have*

- i  $\eta(R(X, Y)Z) = 0,$
- ii  $R(X, Y)\xi = \left[ a - \frac{b^2}{n-1} \right] \{ \eta(X)Y - \eta(Y)X \},$
- iii  $S(Y, \xi) = r\eta(Y).$

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