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# On Weak symmetries of Generalized Sasakian-Space-Forms

Research Article

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**Abstract.** The purpose of the paper is to study weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms. We consider the locally symmetric and recurrent type of weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms. Also, locally Ricci-symmetric and Ricci-recurrent weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms are discussed.

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### 1. Introduction

The notion of generalized Sasakian space forms was introduced and studied by P. Alegre et al. [1] with several examples. A generalized Sasakian-space-form is an almost contact metric manifold  $M(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  whose curvature tensor is given by

$$R(X,Y)Z = f_1\{g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y\} + f_2\{g(X,\phi Z)\phi Y - g(Y,\phi Z)\phi X + 2g(X,\phi Y)\phi Z\}$$
$$+ f_3\{\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X + g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\xi - g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\xi\},$$

where  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $f_3$  are differentiable functions and X,Y,Z are vector fields on M. In such case we will write the manifold as  $M(f_1,f_2,f_3)$ . This kind of manifolds appears as a natural generalization of the Sasakian-space-forms:  $f_1 = \frac{c+3}{4}$  and  $f_1 = f_3 = \frac{c-1}{4}$ , where c denotes constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature. The  $\phi$ -sectional curvature of generalized Sasakian-space-forms  $M(f_1,f_2,f_3)$  is  $f_1+3f_2$ . Moreover, cosymplectic space-forms and Kenmotsu space-forms also

consider as particular types of generalized Sasakian-space-forms. Generalized Sasakian-space-forms have been studied by many authors. For example see [2–4, 6, 9, 10, 12, 14].

The notion of weakly symmetric and weakly Ricci-symmetric manifolds were introduced by L. Tamassy and T.Q. Binh ([18] and [19]). These types of manifold were studied with different structures by several authors (see [7,8,11,13,15,16]). In this connection, we would mention the works of Yadav and Suthar [20] on generalized Sasakian-space-forms.

The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 is devoted to preliminaries on generalized Sasakian-space-forms. In Section 3, we consider weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms and study the characteristic properties of locally symmetric and recurrent spaces. Section 4 deals with the study on weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms. We study the characteristic properties of locally Ricci-symmetric and locally Ricci-recurrent spaces. Also, we show that special weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms cannot be locally Ricci-symmetric.

#### 2. Preliminaries

In almost contact metric manifold we have [5]

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

$$g(X,\xi) = \eta(X), \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X,Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2.2}$$

$$g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y), \quad g(\phi X, X) = 0.$$
 (2.3)

Again, for a (2n + 1)-dimensional generalized Sasakian-space-form we have [1]

$$S(X,Y) = (2nf_1 + 3f_2 - f_3)g(X,Y) - (3f_2 + (2n-1)f_3)\eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2.4}$$

$$R(X,Y)\xi = (f_1 - f_3)[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y], \tag{2.5}$$

$$R(\xi, X)Y = (f_1 - f_3)[g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X], \tag{2.6}$$

$$S(X,\xi) = 2n(f_1 - f_3)\eta(X),$$
 (2.7)

where *R* and *S* are the curvature tensor and the Ricci tensor of the space-form, respectively.

## 3. Weakly Symmetric Generalized Sasakian-Space-Forms

In this section, we study the characterizations of locally symmetric and recurrent spaces.

**Definition 3.1.** Generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is called weakly symmetric if there exists 1-forms A, B, C, D and their curvature tensor R satisfies the condition

$$(\nabla_X R)(Y, Z, V) = A(X)R(Y, Z, V) + B(Y)R(X, Z, V) + C(Z)R(Y, X, V) + D(V)R(Y, Z, X) + g(R(Y, Z, V), X)P,$$
(3.1)

**Definition 3.2.** A weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is said to be locally symmetric, if

$$\nabla R = 0$$
.

Suppose a weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is locally symmetric with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$ . Then from (3.1) and Definition 3.2, we have

$$A(X)S(Z,V) + B(R(X,Z)V) + C(Z)S(X,V) + D(V)S(X,Z) + E(R(X,V)Z) = 0$$
 (3.2)

Replacing V by  $\xi$  in (3.2) and then using (2.5) and (2.7) we obtain

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{A(X)\eta(Z) + C(Z)\eta(X)\} + \{B(X)\eta(Z) - B(Z)\eta(X) + E(X)\eta(Z)\}$$

$$+ E(\xi)g(X,Z)] + D(\xi)S(X,Z) = 0.$$
(3.3)

Putting  $X = Z = \xi$  in (3.3), we can easily get

$$(n-1)(f_1 - f_3)[A(\xi) + C(\xi) + D(\xi)] = 0$$

which implies that

$$A(\xi) + C(\xi) + D(\xi) = 0.$$
 (3.4)

Next, plugging Z in (3.2) and then using (2.5) and (2.7) we have

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{A(X)\eta(V) + D(V)\eta(X)\} + \{B(X)\eta(V) + E(X)\eta(V) - E(V)\eta(X) - B(\xi)g(X,V)\}] + C(\xi)S(X,V) = 0.$$
(3.5)

Setting  $V = \xi$  in (3.5), we get

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{A(X) + D(\xi)\eta(X)\} + \{B(X) + E(X) - E(\xi)\eta(X)\} - B(\xi)\eta(X)\} + (n-1)C(\xi)\eta(X)] = 0.$$
(3.6)

Similarly, if we set  $X = \xi$  in (3.5) we obtain

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{A(\xi)\eta(V) + D(V)\} + \{E(\xi)\eta(V) - E(V)\} + (n-1)\{C(\xi)\eta(V)\}] = 0.$$
 (3.7)

Replacing V by X in (3.7), we have

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{A(\xi)\eta(V) + D(V)\} + \{E(\xi)\eta(V) - E(V)\} + (n-1)\{C(\xi)\eta(V)\}] = 0.$$
 (3.8)

Adding (3.6) and (3.8) and using (3.4), we have

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{A(X) - A(\xi)\eta(X)\} + \{B(X) - B(\xi)\eta(X)\} + \{D(X) - D(\xi)\eta(X)\}] = 0.$$
 (3.9)

Next, putting  $X = \xi$  in (3.3), we have

$$(f_1 - f_3)[(n-1)\{C(Z) - C(\xi)\eta(Z)\} + \{B(\xi)\eta(Z) - B(Z)\}] = 0.$$
(3.10)

Replacing Z by X in above equation and then adding with equation (3.9), we get

$$A(X) + C(X) + D(X) = 0.$$

Hence we are able to state the following;

**Theorem 3.1.** If a weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  is locally symmetric, then the sum of the associated 1-forms A, C and D is zero everywhere.

**Definition 3.3.** A weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is said to recurrent if

$$\nabla R = A \otimes R$$
.

On the other hand, let us consider a weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian space forms  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  is recurrent, then from (3.1) and Definition 3.3 we find,

$$B(Y)R(X,Z,V) + C(Z)R(Y,X,V) + D(V)R(Y,Z,X) + g(R(Y,Z,V),X)\rho = 0.$$
 (3.11)

Next, putting  $X = Y = Z = V = \xi$  in (3.11) and then using (2.5), we obtain

$$C(\xi) + D(\xi) = 0.$$

Further proceeding as in the proof of the previous theorem and using the fact that  $C(\xi) + D(\xi) = 0$ , obviously, one can get C(X) + D(X) = 0 for any vector field X on  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$ , so that C + D = 0 everywhere on M. Hence we state the following result:

**Theorem 3.2.** If a weakly symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  is recurrent, then the 1-forms C and D are in the opposite direction.

## 4. Weakly Ricci-Symmetric Generalized Sasakian Space Forms

In this section, we investigate characterizations of locally Ricci-symmetric and Ricci-recurrent spaces.

**Definition 4.1.** A generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) called weakly Ricci-symmetric if there exist 1-forms  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  and their Ricci tensor S of type (0,2) satisfies the conditions

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = \alpha(X)S(Y, Z) + \beta(Y)S(X, Z) + \gamma(Z)S(Y, X) \tag{4.1}$$

for all vector fields X, Y and Z on  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$ .

**Definition 4.2.** A weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is said to be locally Ricci-symmetric if

$$\nabla S = 0$$

Let us consider a weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  which is locally Ricci-symmetric. Then by virtue of (4.1) and Definition 4.2, we have

$$\alpha(X)S(Y,Z) + \beta(Y)S(X,Z) + \gamma(Z)S(Y,X) = 0. \tag{4.2}$$

Setting  $X = Y = Z = \xi$  in (4.2), we find

$$\alpha(\xi) + \beta(\xi) + \gamma(\xi) = 0. \tag{4.3}$$

Now taking  $Y = Z = \xi$  in (4.2) and then using (2.7), we get

$$\alpha(X) - \alpha(\xi)\eta(X) = 0. \tag{4.4}$$

In a similar manner, we can obtain

$$\beta(X) - \beta(\xi)\eta(X) = 0 \tag{4.5}$$

and

$$\gamma(X) - \gamma(\xi)\eta(X) = 0. \tag{4.6}$$

Adding (4.4), (4.5) and (4.6) and using (4.3) we obtain

$$\alpha(X) + \beta(X) + \gamma(X) = 0, \tag{4.7}$$

for all X on  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$ . Thus we state following:

**Theorem 4.1.** In weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  is locally Ricci-symmetric, then the sum of associated 1-forms  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  is zero everywhere.

If in (4.1) the 1-form  $\alpha$  is replaced by  $2\alpha$  and  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are equal to  $\alpha$  then we have

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = 2\alpha(X)S(Y, Z) + \alpha(Y)S(X, Z) + \alpha(Z)S(Y, X) \tag{4.8}$$

where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero 1-form defined by  $\alpha(X) = g(X, \rho)$ . A manifold which satisfies (4.8) is called a specially weakly Ricci-symmetric manifold (see [17]).

Suppose that  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is a specially weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-forms. If  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  is locally Ricci-symmetric, then from (4.7), we have

$$2\alpha(X) + \alpha(X) + \alpha(X) = 0$$
,

for any X on  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$ , that is  $\alpha(X) = 0$ . Which is contradicts the definition. Hence  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  can not be locally Ricci-symmetric. This gives us to state:

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) be a specially weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian-space-form with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$ . Then  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  cannot be locally Ricci-symmetric.

**Definition 4.3.** A weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) is said to be Ricci-recurrent if it satisfies the condition

$$\nabla S = \alpha \otimes S$$
.

Suppose, weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  is Ricci-recurrent, then from (4.1) and Definition 4.3, we have

$$\beta(Y)S(X,Z) + \gamma(Z)S(Y,X) = 0. \tag{4.9}$$

Putting  $X = Y = Z = \xi$  in (4.9) and then using (2.7), we obtain

$$\beta(\xi) + \gamma(\xi) = 0. \tag{4.10}$$

Setting  $X = Y = \xi$  in (4.9), we get

$$\gamma(Z) = -\beta(\xi)\eta(Z). \tag{4.11}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\beta(Z) = -\gamma(\xi)\eta(Z). \tag{4.12}$$

Adding the above equation with (4.11) and using (4.10), we get

$$\beta(Z) + \gamma(Z) = 0$$
,

for any vector field Z on M. So that  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are in opposite direction. Hence we state

**Theorem 4.3.** If a weakly Ricci-symmetric generalized Sasakian space form  $M(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  (n > 2) with  $f_1 - f_3 \neq 0$  is locally Ricci-recurrent, then the 1-forms  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are in opposite direction.

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