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*-RICCI SOLITONS ON (ϵ) -PARA SASAKIAN 3-MANIFOLDS

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Abstract

In the present paper we study *-Ricci solitons in (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifolds and prove that if an (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifold with constant scalar curvature admits a *-Ricci soliton, then the *-Ricci soliton is steady if and only if $\mathcal{L}_V \xi$ is g-orthogonal to ξ provided $a = \text{Tr}\phi$ is constant. Beside these, we study gradient *-Ricci solitons on (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifolds.

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1 Introduction

In this paper, we introduce a new type of Ricci solitons, called *-*Ricci solitons* in (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifolds with indefinite metric which play a functional role in contemporary mathematics. The properties of a manifold solely depend on the nature of the metric defined on it. With the help of *indefinite metric*, A. Bejancu and K. L. Duggal [1] introduced (ϵ) -Sasakian manifolds. Also, Xufeng and Xiaoli [18] showed that every (ϵ) -Sasakian manifold must be a real hypersurface of some indefinite Kähler manifold. In 2010, Tripathi et.al[14] studied (ϵ) -almost paracontact manifolds, and in particular, (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifolds. They introduced the notion of an (ϵ) -para Sasakian structure. Since Sasakian manifolds with indefinite metric play significant role in physics [8], our natural trend is to study various contact manifolds with indefinite metric.

A Ricci soliton is a generalization of an Einstein metric. We recall the notion of Ricci soliton according to [5]. On manifold M, a Ricci soliton is a triple (g, V, λ) with g a Riemannian metric, V a vector field, called potential vector field and λ a real scalar such that

$$\pounds_V g + 2S + 2\lambda g = 0,\tag{1}$$

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where \pounds is the Lie derivative. Metrics satisfying (1) are interesting and useful in physics and are often referred as quasi-Einstein ([6],[7]).

The Ricci soliton is said to be shrinking, steady and expanding accordingly as λ is negative, zero and positive respectively. Ricci solitons have been studied by several authors such as ([21],[20],[12],[13]) and many others.

Ricci solitons have been generalized in several ways, such as almost Ricci solitons ([9],[16],[10]), η -Ricci solitons ([2],[3]), generalized Ricci soliton, *-Ricci solitons and many others.

As a generalization of Ricci soliton, Tachibana [17] introduced the notion of *-*Ricci tensor* on almost Hermitian manifolds. Later, in [11] Hamada studied *-Ricci flat real hypersurfaces in non-flat complex space forms and Blair [4] defined *-Ricci tensor in contact metric manifolds by

$$S^*(X,Y) = g(Q^*X,Y) = Trace\{\phi \circ R(X,\phi Y)\},$$
(2)

where Q^* is called the *-*Ricci operator*.

Definition 1. [15] A Riemannian (or semi-Riemannian) metric g on M is called *-Ricci soliton if

$$\pounds_V g + 2S^* + 2\lambda g = 0, (3)$$

where λ is a constant.

Definition 2. [15] A Riemannian (or semi-Riemannian) metric g on M is called gradient *-Ricci soliton if

$$\nabla \nabla f + S^* + \lambda g = 0, \tag{4}$$

where $\nabla \nabla f$ denotes the hessian of the smooth function f on M with respect to g and λ is a constant.

Definition 3. A contact metric manifold of dimension n > 2 is called *-Einstein if the *-Ricci tensor S^* of type (0,2) satisfies the relation

$$S^* = \lambda g, \tag{5}$$

where λ is a constant.

If an (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifold M satisfies relation (3), then we say that M admits a *-Ricci soliton.

The present paper focuses on the study of (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifolds M admitting a *-Ricci soliton. More precisely, the following theorems are proved.

Theorem 1. If an (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$ with constant scalar curvature admits a *-Ricci soliton, then the *-Ricci soliton is steady if and only if $\pounds_V \xi$ is g-orthogonal to ξ provided $a = Tr\phi$ is constant.

Theorem 2. A gradient *-Ricci soliton with potential vector field of gradient type, V = Df, satisfying $\pounds_{\xi} f = 0$ on an (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$ is *-Einstein provided $a = Tr\phi$ is constant.

2 Preliminaries

A (2n + 1)-dimensional smooth manifold M together with a (1, 1)-tensor field ϕ , a vector field ξ , a 1-form η and a semi-Riemannian metric g is called an (ϵ) -almost paracontact metric manifold if

$$\phi^2 X = X - \eta(X)\xi, \ \eta(\xi) = 1,$$
(6)

$$g(\xi,\xi) = \epsilon, \ \eta(X) = \epsilon g(X,\xi), \tag{7}$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \epsilon \eta(X) \eta(Y), \tag{8}$$

where ϵ is 1 or -1 accordingly as ξ is spacelike or timelike, and the rank of ϕ is 2*n*. It is important to mention that in the above definition, ξ is never a lightlike vector field. It follows that $\phi \xi = 0$, $\eta \circ \phi = 0$ and $g(X, \phi Y) = g(\phi X, Y)$, for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

If moreover, the manifold satisfies

$$(\nabla_X \phi)Y = -g(\phi X, \phi Y)\xi - \epsilon \eta(Y)\phi^2 X, \qquad (9)$$

where ∇ denotes the Riemannian connection of g, then we shall call the manifold an (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifold.

On an (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$, the following relations hold [14]:

$$\nabla_X \xi = \epsilon \phi X,\tag{10}$$

$$(\nabla_X \eta) Y = \epsilon g(Y, \phi X), \tag{11}$$

$$R(X,Y)\xi = \eta(X)Y - \eta(Y)X,$$
(12)

$$\eta(R(X,Y)Z) = \epsilon[g(X,Z)\eta(Y) - g(Y,Z)\eta(X)], \tag{13}$$

$$S(X,\xi) = -2n\eta(X),\tag{14}$$

$$Q\xi = -\epsilon 2n\xi,\tag{15}$$

where ∇ , R, S and Q denote respectively, the Riemannian connection, the curvature tensor of type (1,3), the Ricci tensor of type (0,2) and the Ricci operator of type (1,1).

Lemma 1. In an (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$, we have

$$R(X,Y)\phi Z = \phi R(X,Y)Z - \epsilon[g(Y,Z)\phi X - g(X,Z)\phi Y] + \epsilon[g(Y,\phi Z)X - g(X,\phi Z)Y] + 2\epsilon[g(X,\phi Z)\eta(Y) - g(Y,\phi Z)\eta(X)]\xi + 2[\eta(Y)\phi X - \eta(X)\phi Y]\eta(Z).$$
(16)

Proof. To prove the above Lemma we shall use equation (9).

Now

$$\begin{split} R(X,Y)\phi Z \\ &= \nabla_X \nabla_Y \phi Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X \phi Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]} \phi Z \\ &= \nabla_X (\phi(\nabla_Y Z) - g(Y,Z)\xi - \epsilon \eta(Z)Y + 2\epsilon \eta(Y)\eta(Z)\xi) \\ &- \nabla_Y (\phi(\nabla_X Z) - g(X,Z)\xi - \epsilon \eta(Z)X + 2\epsilon \eta(X)\eta(Z)\xi) \\ &- (\phi(\nabla_{[X,Y]}Z) - g([X,Y],Z)\xi - \epsilon \eta(\nabla_Y Z)X + 2\epsilon \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_Y Z)\xi) \\ &= \phi(\nabla_X \nabla_Y Z) - g(X, \nabla_Y Z)\xi - \epsilon \eta(\nabla_Y Z)X + 2\epsilon \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_Y Z)\xi \\ &- \nabla_X g(Y,Z)\xi - \epsilon g(Y,Z)\phi X - \epsilon \nabla_X \eta(Z)Y - \epsilon \eta(Z)\nabla_X Y \\ &+ 2\epsilon \nabla_X \eta(Y)\eta(Z)\xi + 2\epsilon \eta(Y)\nabla_X \eta(Z)\xi + 2\epsilon \eta(Y)\eta(Z)\phi X \\ &- \phi(\nabla_Y \nabla_X Z) + g(X, \nabla_X Z)\xi + \epsilon \eta(\nabla_X Z)Y - 2\epsilon \eta(Y)\eta(\nabla_X Z)\xi \\ &+ \nabla_Y g(X,Z)\xi + \epsilon g(X,Z)\phi Y + \epsilon \nabla_Y \eta(Z)X + \epsilon \eta(Z)\nabla_Y X \\ &- 2\epsilon \nabla_Y \eta(X)\eta(Z)\xi - 2\epsilon \eta(X)\nabla_Y \eta(Z)\xi - 2\epsilon \eta(X)\eta(Z)\phi Y \\ &- \phi(\nabla_{[X,Y]}Z) + g(\nabla_X Y,Z)\xi - g(\nabla_Y X,Z)\xi \\ &+ \epsilon \eta(Z)\nabla_X Y - \epsilon \eta(Z)\nabla_Y X - 2\epsilon \eta(\nabla_X Y)\eta(Z)\xi + 2\epsilon \eta(\nabla_Y X)\eta(Z)\xi \\ &= \phi R(X,Y)Z - \epsilon [g(Y,Z)\phi X - g(X,Z)\phi Y] \\ &+ \epsilon [g(X,\phi Z)\eta(Y) - g(Y,\phi Z)\eta(X)]\xi \\ &+ 2[\eta(Y)\phi X - \eta(X)\phi Y]\eta(Z). \end{split}$$

This completes the proof. \Box

Lemma 2. In an (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$, we have

$$\tilde{R}(X, Y, \phi Z, \phi W) = \tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, W) + 2g(Y, Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) - 2g(X, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W)
- \epsilon[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)
- g(X, \phi W)g(Y, \phi Z) + g(Y, \phi W)g(X, \phi Z)]
+ 2g(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z) - 2g(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(Z),$$
(17)

where $\tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = g(R(X, Y)Z, W)$, for $X, Y, Z, W \in \chi(M)$.

Proof. To prove the above Lemma we shall use equations (8),(13) and (16).

Now

$$\begin{split} \tilde{R}(X,Y,\phi Z,\phi W) &= g(\phi R(X,Y)Z,\phi W) - \epsilon[g(Y,Z)g(\phi X,\phi W) \\ &- g(X,Z)g(\phi Y,\phi W)] - \epsilon[g(X,\phi Z)g(Y,\phi W) - g(Y,\phi Z)g(X,\phi W)] \\ &- 2\epsilon[g(Y,\phi Z)\eta(X) - g(X,\phi Z)\eta(Y)]\eta(\phi W) \\ &+ 2[g(\phi X,\phi W)\eta(Y) - g(\phi Y,\phi W)\eta(X)]\eta(Z) \\ &= g(R(X,Y)Z,W) - \epsilon\eta(R(X,Y)Z)\eta(W) + \epsilon[g(Y,Z)g(X,W) \\ &- \epsilon g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W) + \epsilon g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) \\ &- \epsilon[g(X,\phi Z)g(Y,\phi W) - g(Y,\phi Z)g(X,\phi W)] \\ &+ 2[g(X,W)\eta(Y) - g(Y,W)\eta(X)]\eta(Z) \\ &= \tilde{R}(X,Y,Z,W) + 2g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) - 2g(X,Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) \\ &- \epsilon[g(Y,Z)g(X,W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W) \\ &- g(X,\phi W)g(Y,\phi Z) + g(Y,\phi W)g(X,\phi Z)] \\ &+ 2g(X,W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z) - 2g(Y,W)\eta(X)\eta(Z). \end{split}$$

This completes the proof. \Box

For a 3-dimensional (ϵ) -para Sasakian manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$, we have

$$R(X,Y)Z = g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY + S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y -\frac{r}{2}[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y],$$
(18)

for any $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$, where Q is the Ricci operator, that is, g(QX, Y) = S(X, Y) and r is the scalar curvature of the manifold.

Putting $Z = \xi$ in (18) and using (12) we have

$$\eta(Y)QX - \eta(X)QY = \left(\frac{r}{2} + \epsilon\right)[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y].$$
(19)

Again replacing Y by ξ in the foregoing equation and using (15), we get

$$QX = \left(\frac{r}{2} + \epsilon\right) X - \left(\frac{r}{2} + 3\epsilon\right) \eta(X)\xi,$$
(20)

which implies

$$S(X,Y) = \left(\frac{r}{2} + \epsilon\right)g(X,Y) - \left(\frac{r}{2} + 3\epsilon\right)\epsilon\eta(X)\eta(Y).$$
(21)

Now we prove the following Lemma which will be used later.

Lemma 3. In an (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifold $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$, the *-Ricci tensor is given by

$$S^{*}(X,Y) = S(X,Y) - [\epsilon g(X,Y) + ag(X,\phi Y)] + 3\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(22)

where S and S^{*} are the Ricci tensor and the *-Ricci tensor of type (0,2), respectively and $a=Tr\phi$.

Proof. Let $\{e_i\}$, i = 1, 2, 3 be an orthonormal basis of the tangent space at each point of the manifold. From (2) and using (17), we infer

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

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{3} \{\tilde{R}(e_{i}, Y, Z, e_{i}) + 2g(Y, Z)\eta(e_{i})\eta(e_{i}) - 2g(e_{i}, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(e_{i})$$

$$- \epsilon[g(Y, Z)g(e_{i}, e_{i}) - g(e_{i}, Z)g(Y, e_{i})$$

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

$$+ 2g(e_{i}, e_{i})\eta(Y)\eta(Z) - 2g(Y, e_{i})\eta(e_{i})\eta(Z)\}$$

$$= S(Y, Z) - \epsilon[g(Y, Z) + ag(Y, \phi Z)] + 3\eta(Y)\eta(Z).$$

Hence, the *-Ricci tensor is

$$S^*(Y,Z) = S(Y,Z) - \epsilon[g(Y,Z) + ag(Y,\phi Z)] + 3\eta(Y)\eta(Z),$$

for any $Y, Z \in \chi(M)$. This completes the proof. \Box

From the above Lemma, the (1,1) *-Ricci operator Q^* and the *-scalar curvature r^* are given by

$$Q^*X = QX - \epsilon(X + a\phi X) + 3\epsilon\eta(X)\xi,$$
(23)

$$r^* = r - 4\epsilon a^2. \tag{24}$$

Hereafter, unless otherwise stated, let us assume that $a = \text{Tr}\phi$ is constant.

3 Proof of the main theorems

In view of equation (21), the *-Ricci tensor is given by

$$S^*(X,Y) = \frac{r}{2}g(X,Y) - \frac{r}{2}\epsilon\eta(X)\eta(Y) - a\epsilon g(X,\phi Y).$$
(25)

Again from the equation of *-Ricci soliton we have

$$(\pounds_V g)(X,Y) = -2S^*(X,Y) - 2\lambda g(X,Y)$$

= -(r+2\lambda)g(X,Y) + ren(X)n(Y) + 2aeg(X, \phi Y). (26)

Taking the covariant derivative with respect to Z, we get

$$(\nabla_Z \pounds_V g)(X, Y) = -(Zr)g(\phi X, \phi Y) + r[g(\phi X, Z)\eta(Y) + g(\phi Y, Z)\eta(X)].$$
(27)

Following Yano ([19], pp. 23), the following formula holds

$$\begin{split} (\pounds_V \nabla_X g - \nabla_X \pounds_V g - \nabla_{[V,X]} g)(Y,Z) \\ &= -g((\pounds_V \nabla)(X,Y),Z) - g((\pounds_V \nabla)(X,Z),Y), \end{split}$$

for any $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$. As g is parallel with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ , the above relation becomes

$$(\nabla_X \pounds_V g)(Y, Z) = g((\pounds_V \nabla)(X, Y), Z) + g((\pounds_V \nabla)(X, Z), Y),$$
(28)

for any $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$. Since $\pounds_V \nabla$ is a symmetric tensor of type (1,2), that is, $(\pounds_V \nabla)(X,Y) = (\pounds_V \nabla)(Y,X)$, then it follows from (28) that

$$g((\pounds_V \nabla)(X, Y), Z) = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_X \pounds_V g)(Y, Z) + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_Y \pounds_V g)(X, Z) - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_Z \pounds_V g)(X, Y).$$

$$(29)$$

Using (27) in (29) yields

$$2g((\pounds_V \nabla)(X, Y), Z) = -(Xr)g(\phi Y, \phi Z) + r[g(X, \phi Y)\eta(Z) + g(X, \phi Z)\eta(Y)] - (Yr)g(\phi X, \phi Z) + r[g(\phi X, Y)\eta(Z) + g(Y, \phi Z)\eta(X) + (Zr)g(\phi X, \phi Y) - r[g(\phi X, Z)\eta(Y) + g(\phi Y, Z)\eta(X).$$

$$(30)$$

Removing Z from (30), it follows that

$$2(\pounds_V \nabla)(X, Y) = -(Xr)\{Y - \epsilon \eta(Y)\xi\} + r[g(X, \phi Y)\xi + \phi X \eta(Y)] - (Yr)\{X - \epsilon \eta(X)\xi\} + r[g(\phi X, Y)\xi + \phi Y \eta(X) + (Dr)g(\phi X, \phi Y) - r[\phi X \eta(Y) + \phi Y \eta(X),$$

$$(31)$$

where $(X\alpha) = g(D\alpha, X)$, for D the gradient operator with respect to g. Substituting $Y = \xi$ in the foregoing equation and using r = constant (hence, (Dr) = 0 and $(\xi r)=0$), we have

$$(\pounds_V \nabla)(X, \xi) = 0. \tag{32}$$

Taking the covariant derivative of (32) with respect to Y, we infer

$$(\nabla_Y \pounds_V \nabla)(X, \xi) = 0. \tag{33}$$

Again from [19]

$$(\pounds_V R)(X, Y, Z) = (\nabla_X \pounds_V \nabla)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y \pounds_V \nabla)(X, Z).$$
(34)

Therefore (33) and (34) yield

$$(\pounds_V R)(X, Y, \xi) = 0, \tag{35}$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$. Setting $Y = \xi$ in (26) it follows that $(\pounds_V g)(X, \xi) = -2\lambda\epsilon\eta(X)$. Lie-differentiating the equation (7) along V and by virtue of the last equation we have

$$(\pounds_V \eta)(X) - \epsilon g(\pounds_V \xi, X) + 2\lambda \eta(X) = 0.$$
(36)

Putting $X = \xi$ in the foregoing equation gives

$$\lambda = \eta(\pounds_V \xi). \tag{37}$$

Thus, we can say that the *-Ricci soliton is steady if and only if $\pounds_V \xi$ is g-orthogonal to ξ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1. \Box

Let $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$ be an (ϵ) -para Sasakian 3-manifold with g as a gradient *-Ricci soliton. Then equation (4) can be written as

$$\nabla_X Df + Q^* X + \lambda X = 0, \tag{38}$$

for any $X \in \chi(M)$, where D denotes the gradient operator with respect to g. From (38) it follows that

$$R(X,Y)Df = (\nabla_Y Q^*)X - (\nabla_X Q^*)Y, \quad X, Y \in \chi(M).$$
(39)

Using (12), we have

$$g(R(\xi, X)Df, \xi) = \eta(X)(\xi f) - \epsilon(Xf).$$
(40)

With the help of (25), we have

$$(\nabla_X Q^*) Y = \frac{(Xr)}{2} [Y - \epsilon \eta(Y)\xi] - \frac{r}{2} [g(X, \phi Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X] + a\epsilon [g(X, Y)\xi - 2\epsilon \eta(X)\eta(Y)\xi - \epsilon \eta(Y)X].$$

$$(41)$$

Interchanging X and Y, we have

$$(\nabla_Y Q^*) X = \frac{(Yr)}{2} [X - \epsilon \eta(X)\xi] - \frac{r}{2} [g(Y, \phi X)\xi + \eta(X)\phi Y] + a\epsilon [g(X, Y)\xi - 2\epsilon \eta(X)\eta(Y)\xi - \epsilon \eta(X)Y].$$

$$(42)$$

Making use of (41) and (42) we get

$$(\nabla_Y Q^*) X - (\nabla_X Q^*) Y = \frac{(Xr)}{2} [Y - \epsilon \eta(Y)\xi] - \frac{(Yr)}{2} [X - \epsilon \eta(X)\xi] - \frac{r}{2} [\eta(Y)\phi X - \eta(X)\phi Y] + a[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y].$$
(43)

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Putting $X = \xi$ in (43) and taking inner product with ξ , we infer that

$$g((\nabla_Y Q^*)\xi - (\nabla_\xi Q^*)Y, \xi) = 0, \tag{44}$$

for any $Y \in \chi(M)$. From (40) and (44) we get

$$\epsilon(Xf) = \eta(X)(\xi f), \tag{45}$$

for any $X \in \chi(M)$. Therefore, $Df = (\xi f)\xi$. Taking the covariant derivative with respect to X and using (38) it follows that

$$S^{*}(X,Y) = -[\lambda + (\xi f)\xi]g(X,Y) - \epsilon(\xi f)g(\phi X,Y),$$
(46)

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2. \Box

Also remark that if we assume $\pounds_{\xi} f = 0$, from (45) we obtain that f is a constant function.

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