

On Contact Metric Three-Manifolds Satisfying Certain Curvature Conditions

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ABSTRACT

In this article we study the contact metric three-manifolds M^3 satisfying certain curvature conditions especially $x(I) = \text{const}$. In section 3–2 we find four conditions such that every one is necessary and sufficient for a contact metric three-manifold satisfying

$$(*) \quad x(I) = A = B = 0, \quad I^2 - 1 + 2aI = 0$$

to be semi-symmetric. In section 3–4 we prove that if a contact metric three-manifold M^3 satisfies (*) then either $a = 0$ and M^3 is semi-symmetric or $a \neq 0$ and in this case a is constant and M^3 cannot be semi-symmetric. In section 3–5 we prove that if a semi-symmetric contact metric three-manifold satisfies

$$x(I) = \text{const.} \quad A = \text{const.} \quad B = \text{const.}$$

(in section 3-6 if $x(I) = \text{const.}$ $e(I) = \text{const.}$ $j e(I) \neq 0.$)

then $a = x(I) = A = B = 0$

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دراسة حول المنطويات المترية التلامسية ثلاثية الأبعاد التي يحقق تقوسها بعض الشروط الخاصة

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الملخص

ندرس في هذا البحث، المنطوي المترية التلامسية ثلاثي الأبعاد M^3 الذي يحقق تنسور تقوسه بعض الشروط ولاسيما $x(I) = const.$

نورد بداية أربعة شروط ، كل منها لازم وكاف حتى يكون منطو مترية تلامسية محقق:

$$(*) \quad x(I) = A = B = 0 \quad I^2 - 1 + 2aI = 0$$

منطويًا نصف متناظر (أو مثل المتناظر). نبرهن بعد ذلك أنه إذا حقق منطو مترية تلامسية ثلاثي الأبعاد M^3 العلاقات (*), فعندئذ إما $a = 0$ ، و M^3 سيكون نصف متناظر، أو $a \neq 0$ وعندئذ a سيكون ثابتاً، ولا يمكن لـ M^3 أن يكون نصف متناظر. وأخيراً نبرهن أنه إذا كانت قيم المقادير $x(I)$ و A و B ثابتة (وفي حالة أخرى $x(I)$ و $e(I)$ ثابتة و $e(I) \neq 0$ في منطو مترية تلامسية ثلاثي الأبعاد ونصف متناظر، فلا بد أن يكون: $a = x(I) = A = B = 0$

الكلمات المفتاحية: المنطويات التلامسية الثلاثية وشروط التقوس.

1. Introduction

A Riemannian manifold (M, g) is called semi-symmetric if its curvature tensor R satisfies the condition

$$R(X, Y) \cdot R = 0$$

for all vector fields X, Y on M , where $R(X, Y)$ acts as a derivation on R :

$$(R(X, Y) \cdot R)(U, V, W) = R(X, Y)(R(U, V)W) - R(R(X, Y)U, V)W - R(U, R(X, Y)V)W - R(U, V)(R(X, Y)W)$$

G. Calvaruso and D. Perrone in [3] have studied the semi-symmetric contact metric three-manifold with Ricci curvature $r(x, x)$ constant, which means $x(I) = 0$.

In this article we study the contact metric three-manifold M^3 satisfying certain curvature conditions especially $x(I) = const$.

2. Preliminaries

A contact metric manifold is a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional differentiable manifold M^{2n+1} which carries a global differential 1-form h such that $h \wedge (dh)^n \neq 0$ everywhere on M^{2n+1} . Every contact metric manifold has an underlying contact Riemannian structure (j, x, h, g) , where x is a global vector field (called the characteristic vector field or Reeb vector field), j a global tensor field of type $(1, 1)$ and g a Riemannian metric (called associated metric).

These structure tensors satisfy :

$$h(x) = 1, j^2 = -I + h \otimes x, h(X) = g(x, X)$$

$$dh(X, Y) = g(X, jY), g(jX, jY) = g(X, Y) - h(X)h(Y)$$

$$dh(x, X) = 0$$

We denote by ∇ the Riemannian connection of g , and by R the corresponding Riemannian curvature tensor given by :

$$R(X, Y) = R_{X,Y} = \nabla_{[X,Y]} - [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y]$$

The Ricci tensor of type $(0, 2)$, the corresponding Ricci operator and the scalar curvature are respectively indicated by r, Q , and r . If r is constant then M^{2n+1} is said to be conformally flat.

In the theory of contact metric manifolds the tensor fields

$$h = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_x j \quad \text{and} \quad \ell = R(\cdot, x)x$$

where \mathcal{L} is the Lie derivation, play a fundamental role. On every contact metric manifold M^{2n+1} the following relations hold [4]

$$\begin{aligned} jx = hx = \ell x = 0 & \quad h \circ j = h \circ h = 0 \\ \nabla_x x = -jX - jhX & \quad hj = -jh \\ \nabla_x h = j - j\ell - jh^2 & \quad j\tilde{\ell}i - \ell = 2(j^2 + h^2) \\ tr h = tr hj = 0 & \quad tr \tilde{\ell} = g(Qx, x) = 2n - tr h^2 \\ \nabla_x j = 0 & \quad \nabla_x x = 0 \end{aligned}$$

If f is a real function and the almost complex structure J on $M^{2n+1} \times R$ defined by :

$$J(Y, f \frac{d}{dt}) = (jY - fx, h(Y) \frac{d}{dt})$$

is integrable, then the structure is said to be normal and the manifold is called Sasakian.

Let now (M^3, h, g, x, j) be a three-dimensional contact metric manifold. Let U be the open subset of M^3 where $h \neq 0$ and V the open subset of points $p \in M^3$ such that $h = 0$ in a neighborhood of p . For any point $m \in U \cup V$ there exist a local orthonormal basis $\{x, e, j e\}$ ([2] p34) of smooth eigen vectors of h in a neighborhood of m . On U we put $he = Ie \quad hj e = -I j e$

where I is a non-vanishing smooth function which is supposed to be positive.

2-1 PROPOSITION [5]

On U we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_x x = 0 \quad \nabla_x e = -aj e \quad \nabla_x j e = a e \\ (2, 1) \quad \nabla_e x = -(I+1)j e \quad \nabla_e e = -mj e \\ \nabla j e = (I+1)x + me \\ \nabla_{j e} x = -(I-1)e \quad \nabla_{j e} e = (I-1)x + sj e \\ \nabla_{j e} j e = -s e \quad \nabla_x h = 2ahj + x(I)s \end{aligned}$$

where a is a smooth function ,

$$m = \frac{1}{2I} \{ (j e)(I) + A \}, \quad s = -\frac{1}{2I} \{ e(I) + B \}$$

$A = r(x, e)$, $B = r(x, j e)$ and s is the (1,1)-tensor defined by $sx = 0$, $se = e$, $sj e = -j e$

2-2 **PROPOSITION** [3]

The components of the Ricci operator Q with respect to $\{x, e, j e\}$, are given by

$$Qx = 2(1 - I^2)x + Ae + Bj e$$

$$Qe = Ax + \left(\frac{r}{2} - 1 + I^2 + 2al\right)e + x(I)j e$$

$$Qj e = Bx + x(I)e + \left(\frac{r}{2} - 1 + I^2 - 2al\right)j e$$

From which it follows :

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_x Q)x &= -4Ix(I)x + \{x(A) + aB\}e + \{x(B) - aA\}j e \\ (\nabla_e Q)e &= \{e(A) + (I + 1)x(I) + Bm\}x + \\ &\quad + \{e(a + 2al) + 2mx(I)\}e + \\ (2, 2) \quad &+ \{ex(I) + 2a(j e)(I) + (2a - I - 1)A\}j e \\ (\nabla_{j e} Q)j e &= \{(j e)(B) + (I - 1)x(I) + AS\}x + \\ &\quad + \{(j e)x(I) - 2ae(I) + (1 - I - 2a)B\}e + \\ &\quad + \{(j e)(a - 2al) + 2sx(I)\}j e \end{aligned}$$

where : $a = \frac{r}{2} - 1 + I^2$

2-3 **PROPOSITION** [3]

The components of R , with respect to the basis $\{x, e, j e\}$ are given by:

$$R(x, e)x = -(I^2 - 1 - 2al)e + x(I)j e$$

$$R(x, j e)x = x(I)e - (I^2 - 1 + 2al)j e$$

$$R(e, j e)x = -Be + Aj e$$

$$R(x, e)e = (I^2 - 1 - 2al)e - Bj e$$

$$R(x, j e)e = -x(I)x + Aj e$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2, 3) \quad R(e, j e)e &= Bx + \left(\frac{r}{2} + 2l^2 - 2\right)j e \\
 R(x, e)j e &= -x(l)x + B e \\
 R(x, j e)j e &= (l^2 - 1 + 2al)x - A e \\
 R(e, j e)j e &= -Ax - \left(\frac{r}{2} + 2l^2 - 2\right)e
 \end{aligned}$$

where :

$$R(e_i, e_j)e_k = -R(e_j, e_i)e_k, \quad i, j, k = 1, 2, 3$$

$$e_1 = x, \quad e_2 = e, \quad e_3 = j e$$

2-4 **PROPOSITION** [3]

Let (M^3, h, g, j, x) be a non-Sasakian contact metric three-manifold . Then M^3 is semi-symmetric if and only if

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(l^2 - 1 + 2al) &= Ax(l) \\
 A(l^2 - 1 - 2al) &= Bx(l) \\
 (2, 4) \quad AB + x(l)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 2l^2 - 2\right) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$B^2 - [x(l)]^2 + (l^2 - 1 - 2al)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 3l^2 - 3 + 2al\right) = 0$$

$$A^2 - [x(l)]^2 + (l^2 - 1 + 2al)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 3l^2 - 3 - 2al\right) = 0$$

3. Some classes of Semi-symmetric contact metric manifolds

3-1 **LEMMA**

Let (M^3, h, g, j, x) be a contact metric three-manifold . Then the following formulas hold

$$\begin{aligned}
 r(x, x) &= 2(1 - l^2) \\
 r(e, e) &= 2al - m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m) = \\
 (3, 1) \quad &= \frac{r}{2} + l^2 - 1 + 2al \\
 r(j e j e) &= -2al - m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m) =
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{r}{2} + I^2 - 1 - 2al$$

$$r = 2(1 - I^2 + g)$$

where : $g = -m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m)$

Proof :

We have

$$r(x, x) = g(R(x, x)x, x) + g(R(x, e)x, e) + g(R(x, j e)x, j e)$$

And if we use (2,3) we obtain:

$$r(x, x) = 2(1 - I^2)$$

We have also :

$$r(e, e) = g(R(e, x)e, x) + g(R(e, e)e, e) + g(R(e, j e)e, j e)$$

And if we use (2,1) and (2,3) we find :

$$g(R(e, x)e, x) = -(I^2 - 1 - 2al)$$

$$R(e, j e)e = \nabla_{[e, j e]}e - \nabla_e \nabla_{j e}e + \nabla_{j e} \nabla_e e$$

$$= \nabla_{2x + me - sj e}e - \nabla_e((I - 1)x + sj e) + \nabla_{j e}(-mj e)$$

$$= [-2Is - e(I)]x + \{I^2 - 1 - m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m)\}j e$$

$$= Bx + \{I^2 - 1 - m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m)\}j e$$

And then :

$$r(e, e) = 2al - m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m)$$

Similarly we obtain the value of $r(j e, j e)$, and hence we have:

$$r = r(x, x) + r(e, e) + r(j e, j e)$$

$$= 2\{1 - I^2 - m^2 - s^2 - 2a - e(s) - (j e)(m)\}$$

Now it follows easily from (2,4) and (3,1):

3-2 COROLLARY

Let (M^3, h, g, j, x) be a contact metric three-manifold satisfying

$$x(I) = A = B = 0, \quad I^2 - 1 + 2al = 0$$

$$I^2 - 1 - 2al \neq 0$$

Then M^3 is semi-symmetric if and only if one of the following conditions is satisfied :

- (I) $r = 4(1 - I^2)$
- (II) $r = 8aI$
- (III) $r(j e, j e) = 0$
- (IV) $r(e, e) = 4aI$

3-3 COROLLARY

Let (M^3, h, g, j, x) be a contact metric three-manifold satisfying

$$R(x, j e) x = 0, \quad R(e, j e) x = 0, \quad R(e, j e) j e = 0$$

Then M^3 is semi-symmetric .

3-4 PROPOSITION

Let (M^3, h, g, j, x) be a contact metric three-manifold satisfying

$$(3-2) \quad x(I) = 0, \quad A = B = 0, \quad I^2 - 1 + 2aI = 0$$

Then either $a = 0$ and M^3 is semi-symmetric or $a \neq 0$. In this case a is constant , $r = 4a(I - 1)$ and M^3 cannot be semi-symmetric .

Proof .

Differentiating $I^2 - 1 + 2aI = 0$ with respect to x we get $x(a) = 0$.

Next differentiating with respect to e , we obtain:

$$(3-3) \quad I(e(I) + e(a)) = -a e(I)$$

We have the well-known formula

$$(3-4) \quad \frac{1}{2} X(r) = \sum_{i=1}^n g((\nabla_{e_i} Q)e_i, X)$$

which holds for any vector field X of n -dimensional Riemannian manifold where $\{e_i\}$ is an arbitrary basis .

If we put $X = e$, $e_1 = x$, $e_2 = e$, $e_3 = j e$

and using (2,2) and (3,2) we obtain :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} e(r) &= g((\nabla_x Q)x, e) + g((\nabla_e Q)e, e) + g((\nabla_{j e} Q)j e, e) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} e(r) + 2I [e(I) + e(a)] \end{aligned}$$

Since $I \neq 0$, it follows :

$$e(I) + e(a) = 0$$

Using (3,3) we obtain :

$$ae(I) = 0$$

Then either $a = 0$, and from (3,2) we find that $I = 1$ and hence all the relations (2,4) are satisfied, which means that M^3 is semi-symmetric, or $a \neq 0$, $e(I) = 0$ and then also $e(a) = 0$.

If we apply (3,4) and (2,2) to compute $\frac{1}{2}j e(r)$ we obtain :

$$(j e)(I) = (j e)(a)$$

Differentiating the last relation of (2,2) with respect to $j e$ and using the last equation we find: $j(e)(a) \cdot (2I + a) = 0$, and since

$a = \frac{1-I^2}{2I}$, the last formula becomes:

$$(j e)(a) \cdot (3I^2 + 1) = 0$$

Thus $(j e)(a) = 0$ and so $(j e)(I) = 0$

Now from

$$x(a) = e(a) = (j e)(a) = 0$$

$$x(I) = e(I) = (j e)(I) = 0$$

We can conclude that a and I are constants.

Using $A = B = m = s = 0$ and from the relations (3,1) we find :

$$r(x, x) = 2(1 - I^2)$$

$$r(e, e) = 2a(I - 1)$$

$$r(j e, j e) = -2a(I + 1)$$

$$r = 4a(I - 1)$$

Finally if we assume that M^3 is semi-symmetric then according to lemma 3,3 of [3] we have $a = 0$ which contradicts our assumption.

3-5 THEOREM

Let M^3 be a semi-symmetric contact metric three-manifold satisfying :

$$(3,5) \quad x(I) = \text{const.}, \quad A = \text{const.}, \quad B = \text{const.}$$

Then
$$a = x(I) = A = B = 0$$

and M^3 is either flat or sasakian .

Proof

We multiply the first relation of (2,4) by B , and the second by A , then we subtract the first product from the second product and we get

$$B^2(I^2 - 1 + 2aI) - A^2(I^2 - 1 - 2aI) = 0$$

Using (2,4) to express B^2 and A^2 we find

$$(3,6) \quad 4aI \{ (I^2 - 1)^2 - 4a^2I^2 - [x(I)]^2 \} = 0$$

Then either $a = 0$ and we shall study the case, or $a \neq 0$ and we shall prove that this case can not occur.

If $a = 0$, then the first, second, fourth and fifth relations of (2,4) become :

$$B(I^2 - 1) = Ax(I)$$

$$A(I^2 - 1) = Bx(I)$$

$$B^2 - [x(I)]^2 + (I^2 - 1)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 3I^2 - 3\right) = 0$$

$$A^2 - [x(I)]^2 + (I^2 - 1)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 3I^2 - 3\right) = 0$$

From which it follow $A = \pm B$, and the relations (2,4) are equivalent to :

$$A(I^2 - 1) = \pm Ax(I)$$

$$(3,7) \quad \pm A^2 + x(I)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 2I^2 - 2\right) = 0$$

$$A^2 = B^2 = [x(I)]^2 + (I^2 - 1)\left(\frac{r}{2} + 3I^2 - 3\right)$$

If $A = 0$ then [3]

$$x(I) = A = B = a = 0$$

and M^3 either is flat or has constant curvature 1 .

We shall prove that the case $A \neq 0$ can not occur .

In fact consider $U_1 = \{p \in M^3 / A \neq 0 \text{ at } p\}$. Then from the first relation of (3,7) we get on U_1

$$\text{const.} = x(I) = \pm(I^2 - 1)$$

from which it follows that $I = \text{const.}$ and hence $x(I) = 0$, and the second relation of (3,7) now yields $A = 0$ on U_1 which can not occur . Therefore , U_1 is empty , and $A = 0$ on M^3 .

We assume now $a \neq 0$. Differentiating the third relation of (2,4) with respect to x we get

$$x(I) \left[\frac{x(r)}{2} + 4Ix(I) \right] = 0$$

If $x(I) = 0$ on some neighbourhood U_2 , then $a = 0$ [3] , which contradicts our assumption .

$$\text{Let } x(I) \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{x(r)}{2} + 4Ix(I) = 0 \quad .$$

Then:

$$(3,8) \quad x(r) = -8Ix(I)$$

From (3,6) we find :

$$(3,9) \quad [x(I)]^2 = (I^2 - 1)^2 - 4a^2I^2$$

We add the fourth and fifth relations of (2,4) , and we use (3,9) to express $[x(I)]^2$.

We obtain :

$$(3,10) \quad A^2 + B^2 = r(1 - I^2) - 4(1 - I^2)^2$$

Differentiating (3,10) with respect to x we find :

$$(1 - I^2)x(I) - 2rIx(I) - 8(1 - I^2)(-2I)x(I) = 0$$

We use (3,8) to express $x(r)$.

We get :

$$r = 4(1 - I^2)$$

From (3,10) it follows that: $A^2 + B^2 = 0$

and hence $A = B = 0$ and then $a = 0$ which contradicts our assumption .

3-6 PROPOSITION

Let M^3 be a semi-symmetric contact metric three-manifold satisfying :

$$x(I) = \text{const.}, \quad e(I) = \text{const.}, \quad j e(I) \neq 0$$

Then $a = x(I) = A = B = 0$ and M^3 is either flat or Sasakian .

Proof

On M^3 we have the relation (3,6)

$$4aI \{ (I^2 - 1)^2 - 4a^2 I^2 - [x(I)]^2 \} = 0$$

If $a = 0$ the conclusion follows as in the proof of theorem 3-5.

We shall prove that the case $a \neq 0$ can not occur .

In fact consider $U_3 = \{p \in M^3 / a \neq 0 \text{ at } p\}$. On U_3 we have :

$$(3,11) \quad [x(I)]^2 = (I^2 - 1)^2 - 4a^2 I^2$$

On the other hand , using (2,1) we have:

$$[x, e](I) = x e(I) - e x(I) = (\nabla_x e - \nabla_e x)(I)$$

Therefore :

$$(I + 1 - a)(j e)(I) = 0$$

and so : $a = I + 1$. then (3,11) becomes

$$[x(I)]^2 = (I^2 - 1)^2 - 4I^2(I + 1)^2$$

Differentiating with respect to x we obtain :

$$(-12I^3 - 24I^2 - 12I)x(I) = 0$$

It is now easy to conclude that $x(I) = 0$. In fact if we assume $x(I) \neq 0$, then $(-12I^3 - 24I^2 - 12I) = 0$, and differentiating with respect to x we get $(-36I^2 - 48I - 12)x(I) = 0$ and if we continue in the same way we find at last that $x(I) = 0$, which contradicts our assumption . Hence $x(I) = 0$, and then $a = 0$ on U_3 , which can not occur .

Therefore U_3 is empty and $a = 0$ on M^3 .

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