



A study of \ast -Ricci solitons in the framework of trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds

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ABSTRACT: The purpose of this work is to study \ast -Ricci solitons in trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds. First, \ast -Ricci solitons in trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds admitting cyclic η -recurrent Ricci tensor, and the curvature condition $R \cdot Q = 0$ are considered. Furthermore, the manifolds admitting \ast -Ricci solitons obeying certain conditions on the projective curvature tensor are being inspected. Finally, we construct an example of trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds and proved that \ast -Ricci soliton on a trans-Sasakian 3-manifold is steady.

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1. Introduction

The study of Ricci soliton (in short, RS) is of great importance due to its wide spread usage in quantum field theory, cosmology, general relativity, string theory, etc. A RS on a Riemannian manifold (M, g) is specified by [13]

$$\mathcal{L}_\zeta g + 2\Lambda g + 2S = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where S and \mathcal{L}_ζ mean the Ricci tensor and the Lie derivative operator along the vector field ζ on M , respectively; and $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ (the set of real numbers). Since for $\zeta = 0$, the equation (1.1) reduces to the Einstein equation, that's why, an Einstein manifold is a particular case of RS. The nature of RS depends on the values of Λ , according to $\Lambda > 0$: expanding soliton; $\Lambda < 0$: shrinking soliton; and $\Lambda = 0$: steady soliton.

The concept of \ast -Ricci tensor on almost Hermitian manifolds was proposed by Tachibana [25], and in the following years this concept began to be widely used in the fields of physics and mathematics. Further, Hamada [12] defined and studied the \ast -Ricci tensor of real hypersurfaces in the non-flat complex space forms, while in contact metric manifolds \ast -Ricci tensor defined by Blair [3] is given by

$$S^*(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = g(Q^*\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \text{Trace} \{ \varphi \circ R(\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2) \} \quad (1.2)$$

for any vector fields ζ_1, ζ_2 on M , where S^* is a tensor field of type $(0, 2)$ and Q^* is the \ast -Ricci operator. Recently, \ast -Ricci tensor on α -cosymplectic manifolds was studied in [1].

In [22], Oubina defined a new class of almost contact manifolds called “trans-Sasakian manifold” with the product manifold $M \times \mathbb{R}$ belonging to the class W_4 . The local structures of trans-Sasakian manifolds

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was carried by Marrero [21]. It is to be noticed that the trans-Sasakian structures of kind $(\alpha, 0)$, $(0, \beta)$ and $(0, 0)$ are α -Sasakian [18], β -Kenmotsu [18] and cosymplectic [2], respectively.

Definition 1.1 [19] *A Riemannian metric g on an (M, g) is called a $*$ -Ricci soliton (in short, $*$ -RS) if*

$$(\mathcal{L}_\xi g)(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + 2S^*(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + 2\lambda g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = 0 \quad (1.3)$$

for all ζ_1, ζ_2 on M .

An abundant of work on RS has been carried out by various geometers in several ways to a different extent, for instance, we refer to the papers [4,5,7,8,9,11,14,15,17,20,23,24,26] and the references therein.

In this study, we handle the scrutiny of a trans-Sasakian 3-manifold admitting a $*$ -RS. The article is unfolded as follows: Preliminaries on trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds are the focus of Section 2. In Section 3, we confer the $*$ -RS in trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds having cyclic η -recurrent Ricci tensor and cyclic parallel Ricci tensor. Section 4 deals with the study of $*$ -RS in trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds satisfying the curvature condition $R \cdot Q = 0$. Sections 5 and 6 are dedicated to conferring the $*$ -RS in trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds confessing the constraint of curvature conditions $Q \cdot \mathcal{P} = 0$ and $\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1) \cdot S = 0$, respectively. In section 7, we have shown that a φ -projectively flat trans-Sasakian 3-manifold admitting $*$ -RS is an Einstein manifold and the Ricci soliton is steady. At last, we model a trans-Sasakian 3-manifold example which helps to examine the existence of $*$ -RS on the manifold.

2. Preliminaries

A manifold M^{2n+1} (dimension $M = 2n + 1$) is said to be an almost contact metric manifold if there is a $(1, 1)$ tensor field φ , a vector field ξ , a 1-form η and g is a Riemannian metric (compatible) such that [2]

$$\varphi^2 \zeta_1 = -\zeta_1 + \eta(\zeta_1)\xi, \quad \eta(\xi) - 1 = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

$$g(\varphi \zeta_1, \varphi \zeta_2) = g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2), \quad (2.2)$$

for all $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \chi(M^{2n+1})$; where $\chi(M^{2n+1})$ is the Lie algebra of vector fields on M^{2n+1} . In addition, we have

$$\varphi \xi = 0, \quad \eta(\varphi \zeta_1) = 0, \quad g(\zeta_1, \xi) = \eta(\zeta_1). \quad (2.3)$$

The fundamental 2-form Φ of M^{2n+1} is defined by

$$\Phi(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = g(\zeta_1, \varphi \zeta_2) \quad (2.4)$$

for any $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \chi(M^{2n+1})$.

A structure (φ, ξ, η, g) on M^{2n+1} is known as a trans-Sasakian structure [22], if $(M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}, J, G)$ belongs to the class W_4 [10], where J is the almost complex structure on $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$ demarcated by smooth functions f on $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$ and $J(\zeta_1, f \frac{d}{dt}) = (\varphi \zeta_1 - f\xi, \eta(\zeta_1) \frac{d}{dt})$ for all ζ_1 on M^{2n+1} . The condition that might be used to express this is as follows:

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \varphi) \zeta_2 = \alpha(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1) + \beta(g(\varphi \zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\varphi \zeta_1). \quad (2.5)$$

Here, we say that α and β are the smooth functions on M^{2n+1} with trans-Sasakian structure is of type (α, β) . From (2.5), it follows that

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1} \xi = -\alpha \varphi \zeta_1 + \beta(\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\xi), \quad (2.6)$$

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \eta) \zeta_2 = -\alpha g(\varphi \zeta_1, \zeta_2) + \beta g(\varphi \zeta_1, \varphi \zeta_2), \quad (2.7)$$

where ∇ stands for the Levi-Civita connection of g .

In a trans-Sasakian 3-manifold (say M^3), we have [6]

$$\begin{aligned} R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi &= (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\zeta_2) \\ &\quad + 2\alpha\beta(\eta(\zeta_2)\varphi \zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\varphi \zeta_2) \\ &\quad + (\zeta_2\alpha)\varphi \zeta_1 - (\zeta_1\alpha)\varphi \zeta_2 \\ &\quad + (\zeta_2\beta)\varphi^2 \zeta_1 - (\zeta_1\beta)\varphi^2 \zeta_2, \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
R(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2 &= (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1) \\
&\quad + 2\alpha\beta(g(\varphi\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\varphi\zeta_1) \\
&\quad + (\zeta_2\alpha)\varphi\zeta_1 + g(\varphi\zeta_2, \zeta_1)(grad \alpha) \\
&\quad + (\zeta_2\beta)(\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\xi) - g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2)(grad \beta),
\end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

$$2\alpha\beta + \xi\alpha = 0, \tag{2.10}$$

$$S(\zeta_1, \xi) = (2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \xi\beta)\eta(\zeta_1) - \zeta_1\beta - (\varphi\zeta_1)\alpha, \tag{2.11}$$

where R and S represent the curvature tensor and the Ricci tensor of M^3 , respectively. Moreover, in an M^3 of type (α, β) , we have [6]

$$grad \beta = \varphi(grad \alpha). \tag{2.12}$$

For constants α and β , we obtain from (2.10) and (2.12) that

$$R(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2 = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1), \tag{2.13}$$

$$R(\xi, \zeta_1)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(\zeta_1)\xi - \zeta_1), \tag{2.14}$$

$$R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\zeta_2), \tag{2.15}$$

$$\eta(R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1) - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)), \tag{2.16}$$

$$S(\zeta_1, \xi) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(\zeta_1), \tag{2.17}$$

$$(\mathcal{L}_\xi g)(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = 2\beta(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2)) \tag{2.18}$$

for all $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \chi(M^3)$. In the paper, throughout we consider $\alpha = \beta = \text{constant}$.

Definition 2.1 [27] An M^3 is said to be an η -Einstein if its S is of the form

$$S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \sigma_1 g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + \sigma_2 \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2),$$

where σ_1 and σ_2 are smooth functions on M^3 . Furthermore, M^3 is said to be an Einstein if $\sigma_2 = 0$.

Definition 2.2 [27] The projective curvature tensor \mathcal{P} in an M^3 is defined by

$$\mathcal{P}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3 = R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3 - \frac{1}{2}[S(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\zeta_1 - S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\zeta_2], \tag{2.19}$$

where $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \chi(M^3)$.

Now, we recall the results of Haseeb et al. [16] obtained on a trans-Sasakian 3-manifold admitting *-RS (g, ξ, A) :

Lemma 2.1 [16] In an M^3 , the *-Ricci tensor S^* is given by

$$S^*(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2) \tag{2.20}$$

for any $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \chi(M^3)$.

Theorem 2.1 [16] An M^3 admitting *-RS (g, ξ, A) is an η -Einstein manifold of the form

$$S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \beta - A)g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2) \tag{2.21}$$

and the *-Ricci soliton is steady.

By contracting (2.21), we find the scalar curvature

$$r = 4\alpha^2 - 4\beta^2 - 2\beta - 3A. \tag{2.22}$$

Again from (2.21), we obtain

$$Q\zeta_1 = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \beta - A)\zeta_1 + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\eta(\zeta_1)\xi, \tag{2.23}$$

where Q is the Ricci operator related with S by $g(Q\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$.

3. *-RS on an M^3 admitting cyclic η -recurrent Ricci tensor

Definition 3.1 An M^3 is said to admit cyclic η -recurrent Ricci tensor, if the following relation holds on M^3 :

$$\begin{aligned} & (\nabla_{\zeta_1} S)(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) + (\nabla_{\zeta_2} S)(\zeta_3, \zeta_1) + (\nabla_{\zeta_3} S)(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \\ &= \eta(\zeta_1)S(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) + \eta(\zeta_2)S(\zeta_3, \zeta_1) + \eta(\zeta_3)S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

for all $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \chi(M^3)$.

The covariant differentiation of (2.21) respecting to ζ_1 leads to

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} S)(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\{(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \eta)(\zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) + \eta(\zeta_2)(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \eta)(\zeta_3)\}. \quad (3.2)$$

By using (2.7) in (3.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_{\zeta_1} S)(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) &= (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\{-\alpha g(\varphi\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) - \alpha g(\varphi\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2) \\ &\quad + \beta g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) + \beta g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

If the manifold M^3 has cyclic η -recurrent Ricci tensor, then in view of (2.21) and (3.3), the relation (3.1) takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \{2\beta(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \beta - \Lambda)\}\{g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1) + g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2) \\ & \quad + g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3)\} - \{(6\beta + 3)(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\}\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which by putting $\zeta_2 = \zeta_3 = \xi$ and using the equations (2.1) and (2.3) reduces to

$$(2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \Lambda)\eta(\zeta_1) = 0.$$

This gives

$$\Lambda = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2), \quad (3.4)$$

where $\eta(\zeta_1) \neq 0$. By means of the fact that, in an M^3 the *-RS is steady, that is, $\Lambda = 0$, we obtain from (3.4) that $\alpha = \pm\beta$. Therefore, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 3.1 Let an M^3 admit *-RS. If M^3 has a cyclic η -recurrent Ricci tensor, then $\alpha = \pm\beta$ on M^3 .

Next, we consider that if M^3 admits cyclic parallel Ricci tensor, then (3.1) reduces to

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} S)(\zeta_2, \zeta_3) + (\nabla_{\zeta_2} S)(\zeta_3, \zeta_1) + (\nabla_{\zeta_3} S)(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

In view of (2.2) and (3.3), (3.5) leads to

$$2\beta(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)\{g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) + g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2) + g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1) - 2\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3)\} = 0.$$

Putting $\zeta_3 = \xi$ in the foregoing equation, we have

$$2\beta(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2) = 0.$$

Thus, we have either $\beta = 0$ or $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta = 0 \implies \alpha = \beta = 0$, or $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$ (where $g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2) \neq 0$). Therefore, we have the following corollary:

Corollary 3.1 Let an M^3 admit *-RS. If M^3 admits a cyclic parallel Ricci tensor, then either M^3 is an α -Sasakian or cosymplectic or Kenmotsu manifold.

4. *-RS on M^3 satisfying $R \cdot Q = 0$

Let an M^3 admit *-RS and satisfies the condition $(R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \cdot Q)\zeta_3 = 0$. Then, we have

$$R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)Q\zeta_3 - Q(R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3) = 0 \quad (4.1)$$

for all $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \chi(M^3)$. In view of (2.23), from (4.1), we have either $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta = 0$, or

$$\eta(R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3)\xi - \eta(\zeta_3)R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi = 0. \quad (4.2)$$

Since, in a 3-dimensional Riemannian manifold, the conformal curvature tensor vanishes. Thus, the curvature tensor R can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3 &= g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)Q\zeta_1 - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)Q\zeta_2 + S(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\zeta_1 - S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\zeta_2 \\ &\quad - \frac{r}{2}(g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\zeta_1 - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\zeta_2). \end{aligned}$$

Utilizing (2.21)-(2.23) in the last equation, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3 &= (-\beta - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\zeta_1 - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\zeta_2) \\ &\quad + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)(\eta(\zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3)\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3)\zeta_2) \\ &\quad + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)(g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1)\xi - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)\xi), \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

from which, we find

$$\eta(R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1) - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)), \quad (4.4)$$

$$R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(\eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\zeta_2). \quad (4.5)$$

Now using (4.4) and (4.5) in (4.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1)\xi - g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)\xi \\ - \eta(\zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3)\zeta_1 + \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3)\zeta_2) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

Replacing ζ_3 by $\varphi^2\zeta_3$, (4.6) turns to

$$(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)\xi - g(\zeta_2, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1)\xi) = 0,$$

which on replacing ζ_2 by ξ takes the form

$$(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\xi - \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3)\xi) = 0. \quad (4.7)$$

By contracting (4.7), we get

$$(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2}) = 0. \quad (4.8)$$

Since, *-RS in an M^3 is steady, we find from (4.8) that $\alpha = \pm\beta$. This helps us to state the following theorem:

Theorem 4.1 *Let an M^3 admit *-RS. If M^3 satisfies $R \cdot Q = 0$, then $\alpha = \pm\beta$ on M^3 .*

5. *-RS on M^3 satisfying $Q \cdot \mathcal{P} = 0$

Let an M^3 admit *-RS and satisfies the condition $Q \cdot \mathcal{P} = 0$. Then, we have

$$Q(\mathcal{P}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3) - \mathcal{P}(Q\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3 - \mathcal{P}(\zeta_1, Q\zeta_2)\zeta_3 - \mathcal{P}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)Q\zeta_3 = 0 \quad (5.1)$$

for all $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \chi(M^3)$. In view of (2.19), (5.1) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} & Q(R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3) - R(Q\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\zeta_3 - R(\zeta_1, Q\zeta_2)\zeta_3 \\ & - R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)Q\zeta_3 + S(\zeta_2, Q\zeta_3)\zeta_1 - S(\zeta_1, Q\zeta_3)\zeta_2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now by putting $\zeta_2 = \xi$ and then taking the inner product with ξ , the foregoing equation takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \eta(Q(R(\zeta_1, \xi)\zeta_3)) - \eta(R(Q\zeta_1, \xi)\zeta_3) - \eta(R(\zeta_1, Q\xi)\zeta_3) \\ & - \eta(R(\zeta_1, \xi)Q\zeta_3) + S(\xi, Q\zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_1) - S(\zeta_1, Q\zeta_3)\xi = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

From (2.21), (2.22) and (4.3), we can easily find the followings:

$$\eta(Q(R(\zeta_1, \xi)\zeta_3)) = \{\Lambda - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_3), \quad (5.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(R(Q\zeta_1, \xi)\zeta_3) &= -\{\Lambda - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3) \\ &\quad - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3), \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

$$\eta(R(\zeta_1, Q\xi)\zeta_3) = \{\Lambda - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_3), \quad (5.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(R(\zeta_1, \xi)Q\zeta_3) &= -\{\Lambda - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\}(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3) \\ &\quad - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3), \end{aligned} \quad (5.6)$$

$$S(\xi, Q\zeta_3) = \{2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \Lambda\}^2\eta(\zeta_3). \quad (5.7)$$

Plugging (5.3)-(5.7) in (5.2), it follows that

$$S(\zeta_1, Q\zeta_3) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3). \quad (5.8)$$

In view of (2.21) from (5.8) we find either $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta = 0$, or $S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3) = \{2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \Lambda\}\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3)$, which by using the fact that *-RS in an M^3 is steady reduces to

$$S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)\eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_3). \quad (5.9)$$

Thus, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 5.1 *Let an M^3 admit *-RS. If M^3 satisfies $Q \cdot \mathcal{P} = 0$, then either $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta = 0$ or the manifold is a special type of η -Einstein manifold.*

6. \ast -RS on M^3 satisfying $\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1) \cdot S = 0$

We consider an M^3 admitting \ast -RS and satisfies the condition $\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1) \cdot S = 0$. Then, we have

$$S(\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2, \zeta_3) + S(\zeta_2, \mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_3) = 0 \quad (6.1)$$

for all $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \chi(M^3)$. From (2.19), we have

$$\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2 = R(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2 - \frac{1}{2}[S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - S(\xi, \zeta_2)\zeta_1],$$

which by using $R(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2 = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1)$ and $S(\xi, \zeta_2) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})\eta(\zeta_2)$ takes the form

$$\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1)\zeta_2 = -\frac{1}{2}S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi + (\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi. \quad (6.2)$$

By making use of (6.2) in (6.1), we have either $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 = 0$, or

$$S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) + S(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2) - 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 - \frac{\Lambda}{2})(g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\eta(\zeta_3) + g(\zeta_1, \zeta_3)\eta(\zeta_2)) = 0,$$

which by putting $\zeta_3 = \xi$ and using $\Lambda = 0$ leads to

$$S(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2).$$

This helps us to state the following theorem:

Theorem 6.1 *Let an M^3 admit \ast -RS. If M^3 satisfies $\mathcal{P}(\xi, \zeta_1) \cdot S = 0$, then either $\alpha = \pm\beta$ or M^3 is an Einstein manifold.*

7. φ -projectively flat trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds admitting \ast -RS

In this section, we consider a φ -projectively flat M^3 admitting \ast -RS, that is, $g(\mathcal{P}(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2)\varphi\zeta_3, \varphi\zeta_4) = 0$ holds on M^3 . Thus, in view of (2.21), we have

$$g(R(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_2)\varphi\zeta_3, \varphi\zeta_4) = \frac{1}{2}(S(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3)g(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_4) - S(\varphi\zeta_1, \varphi\zeta_3)g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_4)),$$

which by taking $\zeta_1 = \zeta_4 = e_i$ and summing over $i = 1, 2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^2 g(R(\varphi e_i, \varphi\zeta_2)\varphi\zeta_3, \varphi e_i) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^2 [S(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3)g(\varphi e_i, \varphi e_i) \\ &\quad - S(\varphi e_i, \varphi\zeta_3)g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi e_i)]. \end{aligned} \quad (7.1)$$

In an M^3 , we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 g(R(\varphi e_i, \varphi\zeta_2)\varphi\zeta_3, \varphi e_i) = S(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3) - (\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3), \quad (7.2)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 g(\varphi e_i, \varphi e_i) = 2, \quad (7.3)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 S(\varphi e_i, \varphi\zeta_3)g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi e_i) = S(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3). \quad (7.4)$$

Utilizing (7.2)-(7.4) in (7.1), we obtain

$$S(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3),$$

which in view of (2.21) turns to $(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta + \Lambda)g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3) = 0$, this implies $\Lambda = -(\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta)$, where $g(\varphi\zeta_2, \varphi\zeta_3) \neq 0$. By using the fact that, in M^3 the \ast -RS is steady, thus we have $\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + \beta = 0$. This implies either $\alpha = \beta = 0$ or $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$. Thus, we state the following theorem:

Theorem 7.1 *Let M^3 be a φ -projectively flat M^3 and admit the $*$ -RS. Then either M^3 is a cosymplectic manifold or a Kenmotsu manifold.*

Example: We consider a manifold $M^3 = \{(u, v, w) \in \mathbb{R}^3\}$, where (u, v, w) are the standard coordinates in \mathbb{R}^3 . Let ϱ_1 , ϱ_2 and ϱ_3 be the vector fields on M^3 given by

$$\varrho_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w} + 2v \frac{\partial}{\partial u}, \quad \varrho_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial v}, \quad \varrho_3 = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial u} = \xi.$$

Let g be the Riemannian metric defined by

$$g(\varrho_k, \varrho_l) = \begin{cases} 1, & 1 \leq k = l \leq 3, \\ 0, & 1 \leq k \neq l \leq 3. \end{cases}$$

Let φ be the $(1, 1)$ tensor field on M^3 defined by

$$\varphi \varrho_1 = -\varrho_2, \quad \varphi \varrho_2 = \varrho_1, \quad \varphi \varrho_3 = 0.$$

Let η be the 1-form on M^3 defined by $\eta(\zeta_1) = g(\zeta_1, \varrho_3)$ for all $\zeta_1 \in \mathfrak{X}(M^3)$. By applying the linearity of φ and g , we have

$$\eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \varphi^2 = -\zeta_1 + \eta(\zeta_1)\xi, \quad \eta(\varphi \zeta_1) = 0,$$

$$g(\zeta_1, \xi) = \eta(\zeta_1), \quad g(\varphi \zeta_1, \varphi \zeta_2) = g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2)$$

for $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \chi(M^3)$. Then, we have

$$[\varrho_1, \varrho_2] = -\varrho_3, \quad [\varrho_2, \varrho_3] = [\varrho_3, \varrho_1] = 0.$$

By using well-known Koszul's formula, one can derive

$$\nabla_{\varrho_1} \varrho_1 = 0, \quad \nabla_{\varrho_1} \varrho_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \varrho_3, \quad \nabla_{\varrho_1} \varrho_3 = \frac{1}{2} \varrho_2,$$

$$\nabla_{\varrho_2} \varrho_1 = \frac{1}{2} \varrho_3, \quad \nabla_{\varrho_2} \varrho_2 = 0, \quad \nabla_{\varrho_2} \varrho_3 = -\frac{1}{2} \varrho_1,$$

$$\nabla_{\varrho_3} \varrho_1 = \frac{1}{2} \varrho_2, \quad \nabla_{\varrho_3} \varrho_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \varrho_1, \quad \nabla_{\varrho_3} \varrho_3 = 0.$$

It can be easily exposed that M^3 is a trans-Sasakian manifold of type $(\frac{1}{2}, 0)$. Further, the following components of the curvature tensor can be easily obtained:

$$R(\varrho_1, \varrho_2) \varrho_2 = -\frac{3}{4} \varrho_1, \quad R(\varrho_1, \varrho_3) \varrho_3 = \frac{1}{4} \varrho_1, \quad R(\varrho_2, \varrho_1) \varrho_1 = -\frac{3}{4} \varrho_2,$$

$$R(\varrho_2, \varrho_3) \zeta_3 = \frac{1}{4} \varrho_2, \quad R(\varrho_3, \varrho_1) \varrho_1 = \frac{1}{4} \varrho_3, \quad R(\varrho_3, \varrho_2) \varrho_2 = \frac{1}{4} \varrho_3.$$

From these components we calculate $S(\varrho_3, \varrho_3) = \frac{1}{2}$. Also from (2.21), we have $S(\varrho_3, \varrho_3) = 2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \Lambda$. By equating both the values of $S(\varrho_3, \varrho_3)$, we obtain $2(\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - \Lambda = \frac{1}{2}$, which for $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\beta = 0$ gives $\Lambda = 0$. Thus, a $*$ -RS (g, ξ, Λ) on a trans-Sasakian 3-manifold is steady.

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