# SOME RESULTS ON $(k, \mu)'$ -ALMOST KENMOTSU MANIFOLDS \*

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we study the quasi-conformal curvature tensor  $\tilde{C}$  and projective curvature tensor P on a  $(k,\mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension greater than 3. We obtain that if  $M^{2n+1}$  is non-Kenmotsu and satisfies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$  or  $P \cdot P = 0$ , then it is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

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#### 1. Introduction

In 1972, K. Kenmotsu introduced a new class of almost contact metric manifolds, nowadays known as Kenmotsu manifolds [8]. The concept of almost Kenmotsu manifolds, regarded as a generalization of Kenmotsu manifolds, was studied by Janssens and Vanhecke (see [4]). In 2007, Pitiş [7] published a book containing many systematic studies related to Kenmotsu manifolds. Some geometric properties and fundamental formulas of almost Kenmotsu manifolds were obtained by Kim and Pak [11] and Pastore et al. [5, 6]. Several authors studied almost Kenmotsu manifolds considering some curvature conditions (see [12, 13, 14]). Recently, some curvature properties of some types of almost Kenmotsu manifolds were obtained by Wang and Liu in [15, 16, 17, 18].

The projective curvature tensor is an important tensor from the differential geometric point of view. Let M be a (2n+1)-dimensional Riemannian manifold. If there exists a one-to-one correspondence between each coordinate neighbourhood of M and a domain in Euclidian space such that any geodesic of the Riemannian manifold corresponds to a straight line in the Euclidean space, then M is said to be locally projectively flat (see [2]). For  $n \geq 1$ , M is locally projectively flat if and

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only if the projective curvature tensor P vanishes. Here P is defined by

(1.1) 
$$P(X,Y)U = R(X,Y)U - \frac{1}{2n}[S(Y,U)X - S(X,U)Y]$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, U \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where S is the Ricci tensor of M.

The Weyl conformal curvature tensor C on a (2n+1)-dimensional manifold M is defined by [20]

$$(1.2) \quad C(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z + \frac{r}{2n(2n-1)}[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] \\ - \frac{1}{2n-1}[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY]$$

for any vector fields X, Y, Z on M, where S, Q and r denote the Ricci curvature tensor, the Ricci operator with respect to the metric g and the scalar curvature, respectively. Note that the Weyl conformal curvature tensor on any three dimension Riemannian manifold vanishes.

For a (2n+1)-dimensional manifold M, the quasi-conformal curvature tensor  $\tilde{C}$  is defined by [21]

$$(1.3) \qquad \tilde{C}(X,Y)Z = aR(X,Y)Z - \frac{r}{2n+1} \left[ \frac{a}{2n} + 2b \right] [g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] \\ + b[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY],$$

where a and b are two constants. If a=1 and  $b=-\frac{1}{2n-1}$ , then the quasi-conformal curvature tensor reduces to the Weyl conformal curvature tensor.

In this paper, we aim to extend some known results regarding the projective and quasi-conformal curvature tensor on Kenmotsu manifolds (see [1, 2, 9, 10]) to a class of almost Kenmotsu manifolds. In Section 2, we recall some basic formulas and properties of almost Kenmotsu manifolds and the notion of  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds. In Section 3, we introduce some properties of such manifolds used to prove our main results. In Section 4 and 5, we classify almost Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$  and  $P \cdot P = 0$ , respectively.

## 2. Almost Kenmotsu manifolds

Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be an almost contact metric manifold of dimension 2n+1, equipped with an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  (see [3]) satisfying

(2.1) 
$$\phi^2 = -\mathrm{id} + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \eta \circ \xi = 0, \quad \phi \xi = 0,$$

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

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where  $\phi, \xi, \eta, g$  and  $\mathfrak{X}(M)$  denote a (1, 1)-tensor field, a vector field, a 1-form, the Riemannian metric and the Lie algebra of all differentiable vector fields on  $M^{2n+1}$ , respectively.

The fundamental 2-form  $\Phi$  of an almost contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is defined by  $\Phi(X,Y)=g(X,\phi Y)$  for any fields  $X,Y\in\mathfrak{X}(M)$ .  $M^{2n+1}$  is called an almost Kenmotsu manifold if  $d\eta=0$  and  $d\Phi=2\eta\wedge\Phi$ . The almost contact metric manifold is said to be normal if the Nijenhuis tensor of  $\phi$  is given by  $[\phi,\phi]=-2d\eta\otimes\xi$ , where  $[\phi,\phi](X,Y)=\phi^2[X,Y]+[\phi X,\phi Y]-\phi[\phi X,Y]-\phi[X,\phi Y]$ . A normal almost Kenmotsu manifold is said to be a Kenmotsu manifold [4].

On an almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , the two (1,1)-type tensor fields  $l = R(\cdot,\xi)\xi$  and  $h = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\phi$  are symmetric, where R is the Riemannian curvature tensor of g and  $\mathcal{L}$  is the Lie differentiation. Then we get

(2.3) 
$$h\xi = 0$$
,  $l\xi = 0$ ,  $tr(h) = 0$ ,  $tr(h\phi) = 0$ ,  $h\phi + \phi h = 0$ .

We also have the following formulas presented in [5, 6]:

(2.4) 
$$\nabla_X \xi = -\phi^2 X - \phi h X (\Rightarrow \nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0),$$

(2.5) 
$$\phi l\phi - l = 2(h^2 - \phi^2),$$

(2.6) 
$$trl = S(\xi, \xi) = g(Q\xi, \xi) = -2n - trh^{2},$$

(2.7) 
$$R(X,Y)\xi = \eta(X)(Y + h'Y) - \eta(Y)(X + h'X) + (\nabla_X h')Y - (\nabla_Y h')X$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where  $h' = h \circ \phi$  and  $S, Q, \nabla, \mathfrak{X}(M)$  denote the Ricci tensor, the Ricci operator with respect to g, the Levi-Civita connection of g and the Lie algebra of all vector fields on  $M^{2n+1}$ , respectively.

#### 3. Some properties of $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds

If the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  of an almost Kenmotsu manifold  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  satisfies the  $(k, \mu)'$ -nullity condition (see [6]), then it is called a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold. The  $(k, \mu)'$ -nullity condition is defined as follows:

(3.1) 
$$R(X,Y)\xi = k[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + \mu[\eta(Y)h'X - \eta(X)h'Y]$$

for any vector fields X,Y, where both k and  $\mu$  are constant on  $M^{2n+1}$ .  $M^{2n+1}$  is said to be a  $(k,\mu)$ -almost manifold Kenmotsu manifold if there holds  $R(X,Y)\xi = k[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + \mu[\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY]$  for any vector fields X,Y and  $k,\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ . A  $(k,\mu)$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold satisfies k=-1 and h=0 (see [6]). A  $(k,\mu)$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold is a special case of  $(k,\mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds. Following [6], on any  $(k,\mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , we have

(3.2) 
$$h^{2}X = -(k+1)X + (k+1)\eta(X)\xi$$

for any vector field  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $\mu = -2$ . From (3.2), we know that h' = 0 is equivalent to k = -1 and  $h' \neq 0$  everywhere if and only if k < -1. Furthermore,

by (3.1) and the symmetry of the Riemannian curvature tensor R, it is easy to see that

(3.3) 
$$R(\xi, X)Y = k[g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X] - 2[g(h'X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)h'X]$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . In case of k < -1, we denote by  $[\lambda]'$  and  $[-\lambda]'$  the eigenspaces of h' corresponding two eigenvalues  $\lambda > 0$  and  $-\lambda$ , respectively. Obviously, by (3.2), we have

$$\lambda = \sqrt{-k - 1} > 0.$$

Before presenting one of our main results, we give the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** [6, Proposition 4.2] Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold such that h' = 0. Then, for any  $X_{\lambda}, Y_{\lambda}, Z_{\lambda} \in [\lambda]'$  and  $X_{-\lambda}, Y_{-\lambda}, Z_{-\lambda} \in [-\lambda]'$ , the Riemannian curvature tensor satisfies

- $(3.5) R(X_{\lambda}, Y_{\lambda}) Z_{-\lambda} = 0,$
- $(3.6) \quad R(X_{-\lambda}, Y_{-\lambda})Z_{\lambda} = 0,$
- $(3.7) R(X_{\lambda}, Y_{-\lambda})Z_{\lambda} = (k+2)g(X_{\lambda}, Z_{\lambda})Y_{-\lambda},$
- $(3.8) R(X_{\lambda}, Y_{-\lambda})Z_{-\lambda} = -(k+2)g(Y_{-\lambda}, Z_{-\lambda})X_{\lambda},$
- $(3.9) R(X_{\lambda}, Y_{\lambda}) Z_{\lambda} = (k 2\lambda) [g(Y_{\lambda}, Z_{\lambda}) X_{\lambda} g(X_{\lambda}, Z_{\lambda}) Y_{\lambda}],$

$$(3.10) R(X_{-\lambda}, Y_{-\lambda}) Z_{-\lambda} = (k+2\lambda) [g(Y_{-\lambda}, Z_{-\lambda}) X_{-\lambda} - g(X_{-\lambda}, Z_{-\lambda}) Y_{-\lambda}].$$

**Lemma 3.2.** [18, Lemma 3.2] Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold such that  $h' \neq 0$ . Then the Ricci operator of  $M^{2n+1}$  is given by

$$(3.11) Q = -2nid + 2n(k+1)\eta \otimes \xi - 2nh'.$$

Moreover, the scalar curvature of  $M^{2n+1}$  is 2n(k-2n).

*Proof.* See the proof of [19, Lemma 3.2].  $\square$ 

# 4. $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying $R(X, Y) \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$

In this section, we consider a non-Kenmotsu  $(k,\mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfying the condition

$$(4.1) R(X,Y) \cdot \tilde{C} = 0,$$

or equivalently

$$(R(X,Y)\cdot \tilde{C})(U,V)W = R(X,Y)\tilde{C}(U,V)W - \tilde{C}(R(X,Y)U,V)W$$

$$-\tilde{C}(U,R(X,Y)V)W - \tilde{C}(U,V)R(X,Y)W$$

$$= 0$$

for any  $X, Y, U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

From the definition of  $\tilde{C}$  (see (1.3)), we have

(4.3) 
$$\tilde{C}(\xi,Y)Z = \left[ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb\right]g(Y,Z)\xi$$
$$- \left[ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb\right]\eta(Z)Y$$
$$- (-a\mu + 2nb)g(h'Y,Z)\xi + (-a\mu + 2nb)\eta(Z)h'Y,$$

(4.4) 
$$\tilde{C}(\xi,Y)\xi = \left[ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb\right]\eta(Y)\xi$$
$$-\left[ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb\right]Y$$
$$+ (-a\mu + 2nb)h'Y,$$

where r, a and b denote the scalar curvature and two constants, respectively. Let us denote by  $A = [ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb], B = -A, D = (-a\mu + 2nb)$  and E = -D.

Substituting  $X = U = \xi$  in (4.2) we have

$$(R(\xi,Y)\cdot \tilde{C})(\xi,V)W = R(\xi,Y)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W - \tilde{C}(R(\xi,Y)\xi,V)W$$

$$-\tilde{C}(\xi,R(\xi,Y)V)W - \tilde{C}(\xi,V)R(\xi,Y)W$$

$$-0$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Making use of (3.3), (4.3) and (4.4) we calculate every term in equation (4.5) straightly. Then we have

$$(4.6) \begin{array}{l} R(\xi,Y)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W \\ = k[g(Y,\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W)\xi - \eta(\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W))Y] \\ + \mu[g(h'Y,\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W)\xi - \eta(\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W))h'Y] \\ = k\{A[\eta(Y)g(V,W)\xi - \eta(W)g(Y,V)\xi] \\ + E[\eta(Y)g(h'V,W)\xi - \eta(W)g(Y,h'V)\xi]\} \\ - k\{A[g(V,W)Y - \eta(W)\eta(V)Y] + Eg(h'V,W)Y\} \\ + \mu\{-A\eta(W)g(h'Y,V)\xi - E\eta(W)g(h'Y,h'V)\xi\} \\ - \mu\{A[g(V,W)h'Y - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y] + Eg(h'V,W)h'Y\}. \end{array}$$

(4.7) 
$$\tilde{C}(R(\xi,Y)\xi,V)W \\
=k\eta(Y)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W - k\tilde{C}(Y,V)W - \mu\tilde{C}(h'Y,V)W \\
=k\{A[\eta(Y)g(V,W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(Y)V] + E[\eta(Y)g(h'V,W)\xi \\
- \eta(W)\eta(Y)h'V]\} - k\tilde{C}(Y,V)W - \mu\tilde{C}(h'Y,V)W.$$

$$\tilde{C}(\xi, R(\xi, Y)V)W$$

$$=kg(Y, V)\tilde{C}(\xi, \xi)W - k\eta(V)\tilde{C}(\xi, Y)W$$

$$+ \mu g(h'Y, V)\tilde{C}(\xi, \xi)W - \mu \eta(V)\tilde{C}(\xi, h'Y)W$$

$$= -k\{A[\eta(V)g(Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)Y]$$

$$+ E[\eta(V)g(h'Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y]\}$$

$$- \mu\{A[\eta(V)g(h'Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y]\}$$

$$+ E[\eta(V)g(h'^2Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'^2Y]\}.$$

$$\tilde{C}(\xi, V)R(\xi, Y)W$$

$$=kg(Y, W)\tilde{C}(\xi, V)\xi - k\eta(W)\tilde{C}(\xi, V)Y$$

$$+ \mu g(h'Y, W)\tilde{C}(\xi, V)\xi - \mu\eta(W)\tilde{C}(\xi, V)h'Y$$

$$=k\{A[g(Y, W)\eta(V)\xi - g(Y, W)V] + Dg(Y, W)h'V\}$$

$$- k\{A[\eta(W)g(V, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\eta(W)V]$$

$$+ E[\eta(W)g(h'V, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\eta(W)h'V]\}$$

$$+ \mu\{A[g(h'Y, W)\eta(V)\xi - g(h'Y, W)V] + Dg(h'Y, W)h'V\}$$

$$- \mu\{A\eta(W)g(V, h'Y)\xi + E\eta(W)g(h'V, h'Y)\xi\}$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Substituting (4.6)-(4.9) into (4.5) and using (3.2) gives

$$k\tilde{C}(Y,V)W + \mu\tilde{C}(h'Y,V)W - kAg(V,W)Y$$
$$-kEq(h'V,W)Y - \mu Aq(V,W)h'Y - \mu Eq(h'V,W)h'Y$$

(4.10) 
$$+kE\eta(V)g(h'Y,W)\xi - kE\eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y - \mu E(k+1)\eta(V)g(Y,W)\xi$$
$$+\mu E(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)Y + kAg(Y,W)V + kEg(Y,W)h'V$$
$$+\mu Ag(h'Y,W)V + \mu Eg(h'Y,W)h'V = 0$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Substituting Y = h'Y in (4.10) and using (3.2) we obtain

$$k\tilde{C}(h'Y,V)W - \mu(k+1)\tilde{C}(Y,V)W - kAg(V,W)h'Y - kEg(h'V,W)h'Y + \mu A(k+1)g(V,W)Y + \mu E(k+1)g(h'V,W)Y$$

(4.11) 
$$-kE(k+1)\eta(V)g(Y,W)\xi + kE(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)Y$$
$$-\mu E(k+1)\eta(V)g(h'Y,W)\xi + \mu E(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)h'Y + kAg(h'Y,W)V$$
$$+kEg(h'Y,W)h'V - \mu A(k+1)g(Y,W)V - \mu E(k+1)g(Y,W)h'V = 0$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Subtracting  $\mu$  multiple of (4.11) from k multiple of (4.10) and using  $\mu = -2$  implies

(4.12) 
$$(k+2)^2 \tilde{C}(Y,V)W - (k+2)^2 \{ Ag(V,W)Y + Eg(h'V,W)Y - E\eta(V)g(h'Y,W)\xi + E\eta(V)\eta(W)h'Y - Ag(Y,W)V - Eg(Y,W)h'V \} = 0$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Next, we assume that  $Y = V = W \in [-\lambda]'$  in (1.3), where  $[-\lambda]'$  is eigenspace of h' corresponding eigenvalue  $-\lambda$ . Thus, by applying Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2, we get

(4.13) 
$$\tilde{C}(Y,V)W = [a(k+2\lambda) - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 4nb(\lambda - 1)][g(V,W)Y - g(Y,W)V]$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

With the help of (4.13) and assuming  $Y = V = W \in [-\lambda]'$ , from (4.12) we get

$$(4.14) 2nb(k+2)^2(\lambda - 1 - k)[g(V, W)Y - g(Y, W)V] = 0.$$

Putting (3.4) into (4.14) we have

(4.15) 
$$\lambda(\lambda - 1)^{2}(\lambda + 1)^{3} = 0.$$

In view of the fact  $\lambda > 0$ , we obtain  $\lambda = 1$  and hence k = -2. From [6, Corollary 4.2] and [5, Theorem 6], we know that  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Therefore we have the following:

**Theorem 4.1.** If a non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension greater than 3 satisfies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ , then it is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Since quasi-conformally symmetric manifold  $(\nabla \tilde{C} = 0)$  implies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ , therefore from Theorem 4.1 we state the following:

**Corollary 4.1.** A quasi-conformally symmetric non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}(n > 1)$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Since  $R \cdot R$  implies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ , we get the following:

**Corollary 4.2.** A semisymmetric non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}(n > 1)$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

The above corollary has been proved by Wang and Liu [15].

### 5. $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying $P(X, Y) \cdot P = 0$

In this section, we consider a non-Kenmotsu  $(k,\mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfying the condition

$$(5.1) P(X,Y) \cdot P = 0,$$

which implies

(5.2) 
$$(P(X,Y) \cdot P)(U,V)W = P(X,Y)P(U,V)W - P(P(X,Y)U,V)W - P(U,P(X,Y)V)W - P(U,V)P(X,Y)W$$
$$=0$$

for any  $X, Y, U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Making use of (1.1), we get

$$= R(X,Y)R(U,V)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)R(X,Y)U + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)R(X,Y)V$$

$$- \frac{1}{2n}\{S(Y,R(U,V)W)X - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(Y,U)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)S(Y,V)X\}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n}\{S(X,R(U,V)W)Y - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(X,U)Y + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)S(X,V)Y\},$$

$$=R(R(X,Y)U,V)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,U)R(X,V)W + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,U)R(Y,V)W$$

$$-\frac{1}{2n}\{S(V,W)R(X,Y)U - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(Y,U)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(X,U)Y\}$$

$$+\frac{1}{2n}\{S(R(X,Y)U,W)V - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,U)S(X,W)V + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,U)S(Y,W)V\},$$

$$= R(U, R(X, Y)V)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y, V)R(U, X)W + \frac{1}{2n}S(X, V)R(U, Y)W$$

$$- \frac{1}{2n}\{S(R(X, Y)V, W)U - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y, V)S(X, W)U + \frac{1}{2n}S(X, V)S(Y, W)U\}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n}\{S(U, W)R(X, Y)V - \frac{1}{2n}S(U, W)S(Y, V)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(U, W)S(X, V)Y\},$$

$$= R(U,V)R(X,Y)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,W)R(U,V)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,W)R(U,V)Y$$

$$- \frac{1}{2n}\{S(V,R(X,Y)W)U - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,W)S(V,X)U + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,W)S(V,Y)U\}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n}\{S(U,R(X,Y)W)V - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,W)S(U,X)V + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,W)S(U,Y)V\}.$$

Substituting (5.3)-(5.6) into (5.2), we have

$$(R(X,Y) \cdot R)(U,V)W - \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(Y,R(U,V)W)X - S(X,R(U,V)W)Y \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(Y,U)R(X,V)W - S(X,U)R(Y,V)W - S(R(X,Y)U,W)V \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(Y,V)R(U,X)W - S(X,V)R(U,Y)W + S(R(X,Y)V,W)U \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(Y,W)R(U,V)X - S(X,W)R(U,V)Y + S(V,R(X,Y)W)U \}$$

$$- S(U,R(X,Y)W)V \} = 0$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . If (5.1) holds, putting  $Y = U = \xi$  into (5.7), we obtain

$$(R(X,\xi) \cdot R)(\xi,V)W - \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,R(\xi,V)W)X - S(X,R(\xi,V)W)\xi \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,\xi)R(X,V)W - S(X,\xi)R(\xi,V)W - S(R(X,\xi)\xi,W)V \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,V)R(\xi,X)W - S(X,V)R(\xi,\xi)W + S(R(X,\xi)V,W)\xi \}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,W)R(\xi,V)X - S(X,W)R(\xi,V)\xi + S(V,R(X,\xi)W)\xi \}$$

$$- S(\xi,R(X,\xi)W)V \} = 0$$

for any vector fields  $X, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . In Section 4, we know that  $S(\xi, V) = 2nk\eta(V)$ , using the equation and (3.1), we have

(5.9) 
$$S(R(\xi, X)Y, Z) = 2n\{\eta(Z)[k^2g(X, Y) - 2kg(h'X, Y)] + \eta(Y)[kg(X, Z) - k(k+1)\eta(Z)\eta(X) + kq(X, h'Z) - 2q(h'X, Z) - 2q(h'X, h'Z)]\}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Combining (5.9) with (5.8) and assuming that  $X \in [\lambda]$  and  $V = W \in [-\lambda]$  in (5.8) are eigenvector fields of h' corresponding two eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $-\lambda$ , respectively. Thus, by applying Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$(5.10) (R(X,\xi) \cdot R)(\xi,V)W = [k^2 + 2k\lambda + k(k+2)]g(V,W)X.$$

On the other hand, by a straightforward computation and applying Lemma 3.1, Wang and Liu [15, Theorem 1.1] obtained the following relation (one can check it by a direct calculation).

(5.11) 
$$(R(X,\xi) \cdot R)(\xi,V)W = R(X,\xi)R(\xi,V)W - R(R(X,\xi)\xi,V)W - R(\xi,R(X,\xi)V)W - R(\xi,V)R(X,\xi)W$$
$$= [(k-2\lambda)(k+2) - k^2 + 4\lambda^2]g(V,W)X.$$

From (5.10) and (5.11), we get  $\lambda^2(\lambda - 1) = 0$ . In view of the fact  $\lambda > 0$ , we obtain  $\lambda = 1$  and hence k = -2. From [6, Corollary 4.2] and [5, Theorem 6] we can know that  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Consequently, we have the following theorem:

**Theorem 5.1.** If a non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfies  $P \cdot P = 0$ , then it is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

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