SOME SEMISYMMETRY CONDITIONS ON RIEMANNIAN MANIFOLDS

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Abstract. We study a Riemannian manifold M admitting a semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ such that the vector field U is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ . Firstly, we show that if M is projectively flat with respect to the semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ then M is a quasi-Einstein manifold. Also we prove that if $R \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ if and only if M is projectively semisymmetric; if $\tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ or $R \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ then M is conformally flat and quasi-Einstein manifold. Here R, P and \tilde{P} denote Riemannian curvature tensor, the projective curvature tensor of ∇ and the projective curvature tensor of $\tilde{\nabla}$, respectively.

1. Introduction

Let $\tilde{\nabla}$ be a linear connection in an n-dimensional differentiable manifold M. The torsion tensor T is given by

$$T(X, Y) = \tilde{\nabla}_X Y - \tilde{\nabla}_Y X - [X, Y].$$

The connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ is symmetric if its torsion tensor T vanishes, otherwise it is non-symmetric. If there is a Riemannian metric g in M such that $\tilde{\nabla}g=0$, then the connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ is a metric connection, otherwise it is non-metric [24]. It is well known that a linear connection is symmetric and metric if and only if it is the Levi-Civita connection.

Hayden [13] introduced a metric connection $\tilde{\mathbb{V}}$ with a non-zero torsion on a Riemannian manifold. Such a connection is called a Hayden connection. In [12] and [18], Friedmann and Schouten introduced the idea of a semisymmetric linear connection in a differentiable manifold. A linear connection is said to be a semisymmetric connection if its torsion tensor T is of the form

(1.1)
$$T(X, Y) = \omega(Y)X - \omega(X)Y,$$

where the 1-form ω is defined by

$$\omega(X) = q(X, U),$$

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and U is a vector field. In [17], Pak showed that a Hayden connection with the torsion tensor of the form (1.1) is a semisymmetric metric connection. In [23], Yano considered a semisymmetric metric connection and studied some of its properties. He proved that in order that a Riemannian manifold admits a semisymmetric metric connection whose curvature tensor vanishes, it is necessary and sufficient that the Riemannian manifold be conformally flat. For some properties of Riemannian manifolds with a semisymmetric metric connection (see also [1], [6], [4], [5], [7], [14], [21], [22]). Then, Murathan and Özgür [16] studied Riemannian manifolds admitting a semisymmetric metric connection \tilde{V} such that the vector field U is a parallel vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ .

On the other hand, if a Riemannian manifold satisfying the condition $R \cdot R = 0$, then the manifold is called *semisymmetric* ([19], [20]). It is well known that the class of semisymmetric manifolds includes the set of locally symmetric manifolds ($\nabla R = 0$) as a proper subset. A Riemannian manifold is said to be *Riccisemisymmetric* if $R \cdot S = 0$. The class of semisymmetric manifolds includes the set of Ricci-semisymmetric manifolds ($\nabla S = 0$) as a proper subset. Evidently, the condition $R \cdot R = 0$ implies condition $R \cdot S = 0$. The converse is in general not true. Also, a Riemannian manifold satisfying the condition $R \cdot P = 0$, then the manifold is called *projectively semisymmetric*.

Motivated by the studies of the above authors, in this paper we consider Riemannian manifolds (M,g) admitting a semisymmetric metric connection such that U is a unit parallel vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ . The paper is organized as follows: In Section 2 and Section 3, we give the necessary notions and results which will be used in the next section. In the last section, firstly we show that if M is projectively flat with respect to the semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ then M is a quasi-Einstein manifold. Then we prove that if $R \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ if and only if M is projectively semisymmetric; if $\tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ or $R \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ then M is conformally flat and quasi-Einstein manifold, where R, P and \tilde{P} denote Riemannian curvature tensor, the projective curvature tensor of $\tilde{\nabla}$, respectively.

2. Preliminaries

An *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold (M^n,g) , n>2, is said to be an Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S satisfies the condition $S=\frac{\tau}{n}g$, where τ denotes the scalar curvature of M. If the Ricci tensor S is of the form

(2.1)
$$S(X, Y) = aq(X, Y) + bA(X)A(Y),$$

where *a*, *b* are smooth functions and *A* is a non-zero 1-form such that

$$g(X, U) = A(X),$$

for all vector fields X. Then M is called a quasi-Einstein manifold [3].

For a (0, k)-tensor field, $k \ge 1$, on (M, q) we define the tensor $R \cdot T$ (see [9]) by

$$(2.2) (R(X, Y) \cdot T)(X_1, ..., X_k) = -T(R(X, Y)X_1, ..., X_k) - - T(X_1, ...X_{k-1}, R(X, Y)X_k).$$

In addition, if *E* is a symmetric (0, 2)-tensor field, then we define the (0, k+2)-tensor Q(E, T) (see [9]) by

(2.3)
$$Q(E, T)(X_1, ..., X_k; X, Y) = -T((X \wedge_E Y)X_1, ..., X_k) - - T(X_1, ...X_{k-1}, (X \wedge_E Y)X_k),$$

where $X \wedge_E Y$ is defined by

$$(X \wedge_E Y)Z = E(Y, Z)X - E(X, Z)Y.$$

The Weyl tensor and the projective tensor of a Riemannian manifold (M, g) are defined by

$$\begin{split} C(X,Y,Z,W) &= R(X,Y,Z,W) \\ &- \frac{1}{n-2} \{ S(Y,Z)g(X,W) - S(X,Z)g(Y,W) \\ &+ g(Y,Z)S(X,W) - g(X,Z)S(Y,W) \} \\ &+ \frac{\tau}{(n-1)(n-2)} \{ g(Y,Z)g(X,W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W) \}, \end{split}$$

and

(2.4)
$$P(X, Y, Z, W) = R(X, Y, Z, W) - \frac{1}{n-1} \{S(Y, Z)g(X, W) - S(X, Z)g(Y, W)\}.$$

respectively, where τ denotes the scalar curvature of M. For $n \geq 4$, if C = 0, the manifold is called *conformally flat* [24]. If P = 0, the manifold is called *projectively flat*.

Now we give the Lemmas which will be used in the last section.

Lemma 2.1. [10] Let (M^n, g) , $n \ge 3$, be a semi-Riemannian manifold. Let at a point $x \in M$ be given a non-zero symmetric (0, 2)-tensor E and a generalized curvature tensor B such that at x the following condition is satisfied Q(E, B) = 0. Moreover, let V be a vector at x such that the scalar $\rho = a(V)$ is non-zero, where a is a covector defined by a(X) = E(X, V), $X \in T_X M$.

- i) If $E = \frac{1}{\rho}a \otimes a$, then at x we have X,Y,Z a(X)B(Y,Z) = 0, where $X,Y,Z \in T_XM$.
- ii) If $E \frac{1}{\rho} a \otimes a$ is non-zero, then at x we have $B = \frac{\gamma}{2} E \wedge E$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$. Moreover, in both cases, at x we have $B \cdot B = Q(Ric(B), B)$.

Lemma 2.2. [11] Let (M^n, g) , $n \ge 4$, be a semi-Riemannian manifold and E be the symmetric (0, 2)-tensor at $x \in M$ defined by $E = \alpha g + \beta \omega \otimes \omega$, $\omega \in T_X^*M$, $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. If at x the curvature tensor R is expressed by $R = \frac{\gamma}{2} E \wedge E$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, then the Weyl tensor vanishes at x.

3. Semisymmetric metric connection

Let ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection of a Riemannian manifold M. It is known [23] that if $\tilde{\nabla}$ is a semisymmetric metric connection then

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \omega(Y) X - g(X, Y) U,$$

where

$$\omega(X) = q(X, U),$$

and X, Y, U are vector fields on M. Let R and \tilde{R} denote the Riemannian curvature tensor of ∇ and $\tilde{\nabla}$, respectively. Then we know [23] that

(3.1)
$$\tilde{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = R(X, Y, Z, W) - \theta(Y, Z)g(X, W) + \theta(X, Z)g(Y, W) - g(Y, Z)\theta(X, W) + g(X, Z)\theta(Y, W),$$

where

$$\theta(X, Y) = g(AX, Y) = (\nabla_X \omega) Y - \omega(X) \omega(Y) + \frac{1}{2} g(X, Y).$$

Now assume that U is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ , i.e., $\nabla U = 0$ and ||U|| = 1. Then

(3.2)
$$(\nabla_X \omega) Y = \nabla_X \omega(Y) - \omega(\nabla_X Y) = 0.$$

So θ is a symmetric (0, 2)-tensor field. Hence equation (3.1) can be written as

$$\tilde{R} = R - q \,\overline{\wedge}\,\,\theta,$$

where $\overline{\wedge}$ is Kulkarni-Nomizu product, which is defined by

$$(g \ \overline{\wedge} \ \theta)(X, Y, Z, W) = \theta(Y, Z)g(X, W) - \theta(X, Z)g(Y, W) + g(Y, Z)\theta(X, W) - g(X, Z)\theta(Y, W).$$
(3.4)

Since U is a parallel unit vector field, it is easy to see that \tilde{R} is a generalized curvature tensor and it is trivial that R(X, Y)U = 0. Hence by a contraction we find S(Y, U) = w(SY), where S denotes the Ricci tensor of ∇ and S is the Ricci operator defined by g(SX, Y) = S(X, Y). It is easy to see that we also have the following relations [16]:

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X U = X - \omega(X) U$$

(3.5)
$$\tilde{R}(X, Y)U = 0, R \cdot \theta = 0,$$

$$\theta^{2}(X, Y) := g(AX, AY) = \frac{1}{4}g(X, Y),$$

and

$$\tilde{S} = S - (n-2)(q - \omega \otimes \omega),$$

(3.7)
$$\tilde{\tau} = \tau - (n-2)(n-1).$$

Using (2.4), (3.1), (3.6) and (3.7), we get

$$\tilde{C} = C$$

and

$$\tilde{P} = P - \frac{1}{n-1}g \wedge \theta + G,$$

where \tilde{P} denotes the projective curvature tensor with respect to semisymmetric metric tensor $\tilde{\nabla}$ and G is defined by

(3.9)
$$G(X, Y, Z, W) = \frac{n-2}{n-1} \{ g(Y, Z)\omega(X)\omega(W) - g(X, Z)\omega(Y)\omega(W) \}.$$

We also have the followings:

$$\tilde{P}(X, Y) U = 0,$$

$$(3.11) R \cdot G = 0, \quad G \cdot R = 0.$$

4. Main results

In this section, the tensors \tilde{P} , $\tilde{P} \cdot R$ and $Q(\theta, T)$ are defined in the same way with (3.8), (2.2) and (2.3). Let \tilde{P}_{hijk} , $(R \cdot \tilde{P})_{hijklm}$, $(\tilde{P} \cdot R)_{hijklm}$ denote the local components of the tensors \tilde{P} , $R \cdot \tilde{P}$ and $\tilde{P} \cdot R$, respectively.

Theorem 4.1. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold admitting a semisymmetric metric connection. If M is projectively flat with respect to semisymmetric metric tensor $\tilde{\nabla}$, then M is a quasi-Einstein manifold.

Proof. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold admitting a semisymmetric metric connection. Then using (2.4) and (3.1) we have

Now if M is projectively flat with respect to semisymmetric metric tensor $\tilde{\nabla}$, then from (4.1) we have

$$\begin{split} R_{hijk} &= (g \overline{\wedge} \theta)_{hijk} \\ &+ \frac{1}{n-1} \left\{ S_{ij} g_{hk} - S_{hj} g_{ik} \right\} \\ &+ \frac{n-2}{n-1} \left\{ g_{hk} (\omega \otimes \omega)_{ij} - g_{ik} (\omega \otimes \omega)_{hj} - g_{ij} g_{hk} + g_{hj} g_{ik} \right\}. \end{split}$$

Help of (3.4), we get

$$R_{hijk} = \left\{ g_{ij}g_{hk} - g_{ik}g_{hj} \right\}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{n-1} \left\{ S_{ij}g_{hk} - S_{hj}g_{ik} \right\}$$

$$- \frac{n-2}{n-1} \left\{ g_{ij}g_{hk} - g_{hj}g_{ik} - g_{hk}(\omega \otimes \omega)_{ij} + g_{ik}(\omega \otimes \omega)_{hj} \right\}$$

$$+ g_{ik}(\omega \otimes \omega)_{hj} - g_{hk}(\omega \otimes \omega)_{ij}$$

$$+ g_{hj}(\omega \otimes \omega)_{ik} - g_{ij}(\omega \otimes \omega)_{hk}.$$

$$(4.2)$$

Contracting (4.2) with g^{hj} , we obtain

$$S_{ik} = \frac{n+\tau-2}{n}g_{ik} + (2-n)(\omega \otimes \omega)_{ik},$$

which gives us that M is a quasi-Einstein manifold. \Box

Proposition 4.1. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold admitting a semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$. If U is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ , then

$$(4.3) (R \cdot \tilde{P})_{hijklm} = (R \cdot P)_{hijklm}$$

$$(4.4) (\tilde{P} \cdot R)_{hijklm} = (P \cdot R)_{hijklm} - \frac{1}{n-1} Q(g - \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hijklm}.$$

Proof. Since *U* is parallel, we have $R \cdot \theta = 0$ and $R \cdot G = 0$. So from (3.8), we obtain

(4.5)
$$R \cdot \tilde{P} = R \cdot P - \frac{1}{n-1} g \,\overline{\wedge}\, R \cdot \theta + R \cdot G = R \cdot P.$$

Applying (3.1) in (2.2) and using (2.3) and (3.11), we get

$$(\tilde{P} \cdot R)_{hijiklm} = (P \cdot R)_{hijklm} - \frac{1}{n-1} Q(\theta, R)_{hijklm}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2(n-1)} (g_{hl}R_{mijk} - g_{hm}R_{lijk} - g_{il}R_{mhjk}$$

$$+ g_{im}R_{lhjk} - g_{jl}R_{mkhi} - g_{jm}R_{lkhi}$$

$$- g_{kl}R_{mjhi} + g_{km}R_{lihi}) + (G \cdot R)_{hijklm}$$

$$= (P \cdot R)_{hijklm} - \frac{1}{n-1} Q(\theta + \frac{1}{2}g, R)_{hijklm}$$

$$= (P \cdot R)_{hijklm} - \frac{1}{n-1} Q(g - \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hijklm}.$$

This completes the proof of the Proposition. \Box

As an immediate consequence of Proposition 4.1, we have the followings:

Theorem 4.2. Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold admitting a semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ and U be a parallel unit vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ . Then $R \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ if and only if M is projectively semisymmetric.

Theorem 4.3. Let (M^n, g) be a semisymmetric n > 3 dimensional Riemannian manifold admitting a semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ and S be the symmetric (0, 2)-tensor defined by $S = \alpha g + \beta \omega \otimes \omega$. If U is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ and $\tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$, then M is a conformally flat quasi-Einstein manifold.

Proof. Since the condition $\tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ holds on M, from (4.4), we have

$$(4.7) (P \cdot R)_{hijklm} = \frac{1}{n-1} Q(g - \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hijklm}$$

After some calculations from (4.7), we get

$$(4.8) (R \cdot R)_{hijklm} - \frac{1}{n-1}Q(S,R)_{hijklm} = \frac{1}{n-1}Q(g-\omega\otimes\omega,R)_{hijklm}.$$

Since M is a semisymmetric Riemannian manifold, then from (4.8), we have

$$Q(S + q - \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hiiklm} = 0.$$

Now let S = $\alpha g + \beta \omega \otimes \omega$, $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. *Then from (4.9), we get*

$$Q(\lambda_1 g - \lambda_2 \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hijklm} = 0,$$

where $\lambda_1 = \alpha + 1$, $\lambda_2 = \beta + 1$. So we have two possibilities:

$$rank(\lambda_1 q - \lambda_2 \omega \otimes \omega) = 1$$

or

$$(4.12) rank(\lambda_1 q - \lambda_2 \omega \otimes \omega) > 1.$$

Suppose that (4.11) holds at a point x. Thus we have

$$\lambda_1 g - \lambda_2 \omega \otimes \omega = \rho \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{z},$$

where $z \in T_X^*M$ and $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$. Because of non-zero coefficient of g, this relation does not occur. Thus the case (4.12) must be fullfilled at x. By virtue of Lemma 2.1, (4.10) gives us

$$R = \frac{\gamma}{2}((g - \omega \otimes \omega) \wedge (g - \omega \otimes \omega)), \quad \gamma \neq 0, \quad \gamma \in \mathbb{R}.$$

So again from Lemma 2.2, we obtain C = 0, which give us that M is conformally flat. Moreover, contracting (4.10) with g^{ij} , we get

$$Q(\lambda_1 q - \lambda_2 \omega \otimes \omega, S)_{hklm} = 0$$

which gives us

$$S = \lambda_1 q - \lambda_2 \omega \otimes \omega,$$

where $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 : M \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are functions. So by virtue of (2.1), M is a quasi-Einstein manifold. Thus the proof of the Theorem is completed. \square

Theorem 4.4. Let (M^n, g) be a Ricci-semisymmetric n > 3 dimensional Riemannian manifold admitting a semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ and U be a parallel unit vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ and $R \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$, then M is a conformally flat quasi-Einstein manifold.

Proof. Using (4.3) and (4.4), we obtain

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 0 & = & R \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot R = R \cdot P - P \cdot R \\ & + \frac{1}{n-1} Q(g - \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hijklm} \\ & = & \frac{1}{n-1} g_{ik} (R \cdot S)_{hjlm} - \frac{1}{n-1} g_{hk} (R \cdot S)_{ijlm} \\ & + \frac{1}{n-1} Q(S + g - \omega \otimes \omega, R)_{hijklm}. \end{array}$$

Since M is a Ricci-semisymmetric Riemannian manifold, (i.e. $R \cdot S = 0$), then from the above equation, we get

$$(4.13) Q(S+g-\omega\otimes\omega,R)_{hijklm}=0.$$

Using the same method in the proof of Theorem 4.3, we obtain M is a conformally flat quasi Einstein manifold. \square

Example 4.1. Let M^{2n+1} be a (2n+1)-dimensional almost contact manifold endowed with an almost contact structure (ϕ, ξ, η) , that is, ϕ is a (1, 1)-tensor field, ξ is a vector field, and η is a 1-form such that

$$\phi^2 = I - \eta \otimes \xi$$
 and $\eta(\xi) = 1$

Then

$$\phi(\xi) = 0$$
 and $\eta \circ \xi = 0$.

Let q be a compatible Riemannian metric with (ϕ, ξ, η) , that is

$$q(\phi X, \phi Y) = q(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

or, equivalently

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

for all X, $Y \in \chi(M)$. Then M^{2n+1} becomes an almost contact metric manifold equipped with an almost contact metric structure (ϕ, ξ, η, g) . An almost contact metric manifold is cosymplectic [15], if $\nabla_X \phi = 0$. From the formula $\nabla_X \phi = 0$ it follows that

$$\nabla_X \xi = 0$$
, $\nabla_X \eta = 0$ and $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$.

Then we have

$$P(X, Y)\xi = 0.$$

So we have the following relations:

$$T(X, Y) = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y,$$

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \eta(Y)X - g(X, Y)\xi,$$

and

$$\theta = \frac{1}{2}g - \eta \otimes \eta.$$

Hence $\nabla \theta = 0$ and $R \cdot \theta = 0$, which gives us $R \cdot \tilde{P} = R \cdot P$.

A cosymplectic manifold M is said to be a cosymplectic space form if the ϕ -sectional curvature tensor is constant c along M. A cosymplectic space form will be denoted by M(c). Then the Riemannian curvature tensor R on M(c) is given by [15]

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = \frac{c}{4} \{ g(X, W)g(Y, Z) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)$$

$$+ g(X, \phi W)g(Y, \phi Z) - g(X, \phi Z)g(Y, \phi W)$$

$$- 2g(X, \phi Y)g(Z, \phi W) - g(X, W)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)$$

$$+ g(X, Z)\eta(Y)\eta(W) - g(Y, Z)\eta(X)\eta(W) + g(Y, W)\eta(X)\eta(Z) \}.$$

From direct calculation we get

$$S(X,W) = \frac{nc}{2} \left\{ g(X,W) - \eta(X)\eta(W) \right\},\,$$

which gives us that M is a quasi-Einstein manifold.

5. Conclusions

Hayden [13] introduced a metric connection $\tilde{\mathbb{V}}$ with a non-zero torsion on a Riemannian manifold. Then, Friedmann and Schouten introduced the idea of a semisymmetric linear connection in a differentiable manifold ([12], [18]). In [23], Yano proved that a Riemannian manifold admits a semisymmetric metric connection whose curvature tensor vanishes, it is necessary and sufficient that the Riemannian manifold be conformally flat. Recently, Murathan and Özgür [16] studied Riemannian manifolds admitting a semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\mathbb{V}}$ such that the vector field U is a parallel vector field with respect to the Levi-Civita connection ∇ . On the other hand, if a Riemannian manifold satisfying the condition $R \cdot R = 0$ (R.S = 0), then the manifold is called *semisymmetric* (*Ricci semisymmetric*) ([19], [20]). In this paper, firstly we show that if M is projectively flat with respect to the semisymmetric metric connection $\tilde{\mathbb{V}}$ then M is a quasi-Einstein manifold. Then we prove that if $R \cdot \tilde{P} = 0$ if and only if M is projectively semisymmetric; if $\tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ or $R \cdot \tilde{P} - \tilde{P} \cdot R = 0$ then M is conformally flat and quasi-Einstein manifold.

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