

# On Special Weakly Projective Symmetric Manifolds

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## Abstract

The notion of a weakly symmetric and weakly projective symmetric Riemannian manifolds have been introduced by Tamassy and Binh [11], [12] and then after studied by so many authors such as De, Shaikh and Jana, Shaikh and Hui, Shaikh, Jana and Eyasmin ([1], [3] to [8]). Recently, Singh and Khan [10] introduced the notion of special weakly symmetric Riemannian manifolds and denoted such manifold by  $(SWS)_n$ . In this paper, we have studied the nature of Ricci tensor  $R$  of type (1,1) in a special weakly projective symmetric Riemannian manifold  $(SWPS)_n$  and also investigated some interesting result on  $(SWPS)_n$ .

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n$  with the Riemannian metric  $g$  and  $\chi(M)$  denote the set of differentiable vector fields on  $M^n$ . Let  $K(X, Y, Z)$  be the Riemannian curvature tensor of type (1,3) for  $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$ . A non-flat Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$ , ( $n \geq 2$ ) is called a special weakly symmetric Riemannian manifold, if its curvature tensor  $K$  of type (1, 3) satisfies the following condition [10].

$$(1.1) \quad (D_X K)(Y, Z, V) = 2\alpha(X)K(Y, Z, V) + \alpha(Y)K(X, Z, V) \\ + \alpha(Z)K(Y, X, V) + \alpha(V)K(Y, Z, X),$$

where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero 1-form and  $\rho$  is associated vector field such that

$$(1.2) \quad \alpha(X) = g(X, \rho),$$

for every vector field  $X$  and  $D$  denotes the operator of covariant differentiation with respect to the metric  $g$ . Such a manifold is denoted by  $(SWS)_n$ . In case, the 1-form  $\alpha$  is zero, then  $(SWS)_n$  is become locally symmetric manifold [9]. If we replace  $K$  by  $P$  in (1.1), then it becomes

$$(1.3) \quad (D_X P)(Y, Z, V) = 2\alpha(X)P(Y, Z, V) + \alpha(Y)P(X, Z, V) \\ + \alpha(Z)P(Y, X, V) + \alpha(V)P(Y, Z, X),$$

where  $P$  is the projective curvature tensor defined (see in [2] at page 155) by

$$(1.4) \quad P(Y, Z, V) = K(Y, Z, V) - \frac{1}{n-1}[Ric(Z, V)Y - Ric(Y, V)Z].$$

Here  $Ric$  is the Ricci tensor of type  $(0, 2)$ . Such an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold shall be called a special weakly projective symmetric Riemannian manifold and such a manifold is denoted by  $(SWPS)_n$ .

If a Riemannian manifold is Einstein, then

$$(1.5) \quad Ric(X, Y) = \lambda g(X, Y)$$

where  $\lambda$  is constant. From (1.5), we have

$$(1.6) \quad R(X) = \lambda X,$$

where  $R$  is the Ricci tensor of type  $(1,1)$  and is defined by [2]

$$(1.7) \quad g(R(X), Y) = Ric(X, Y).$$

Contracting (1.6) with respect to  $X$ , we get

$$(1.8) \quad r = n \lambda.$$

where  $r$  is a scalar curvature.

The above results will have used in the next section.

## 2 Existence of a $(SWPS)_n$

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be a  $(SWPS)_n$ . Taking covariant derivative of (1.4) with respect to  $X$  and then using (1.3), we get

$$(2.1) \quad 2\alpha(X)P(Y, Z, V) + \alpha(Y)P(X, Z, V) + \alpha(Z)P(Y, X, V) + \alpha(V)P(Y, Z, X) \\ = (D_X K)(Y, Z, V) - \frac{1}{n-1}[(D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z].$$

By virtue of (1.4), the relation (2.1) reduces to

$$(2.2) \quad (D_X K)(Y, Z, V) - 2\alpha(X)K(Y, Z, V) - \alpha(Y)K(X, Z, V) - \alpha(Z)K(Y, X, V) \\ - \alpha(V)K(Y, Z, X) - \frac{1}{n-1}[(D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z \\ - 2\alpha(X)\{Ric(Z, V)Y - Ric(Y, V)Z\} - \alpha(Y)\{Ric(Z, V)X - Ric(X, V)Z\} \\ - \alpha(Z)\{Ric(X, V)Y - Ric(Y, V)X\} - \alpha(V)\{Ric(Z, X)V - Ric(Y, X)Z\}] = 0.$$

Permuting equation (2.2) twice with respect to  $X, Y, Z$ ; and then adding the three obtained equations and using Bianchi's first and second identities; symmetric property of Ricci tensor and the skew-symmetric properties of curvature tensor, we get

$$(2.3) \quad (D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y + (D_Y Ric)(X, V)Z + (D_Z Ric)(Y, V)X - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z \\ - (D_Y Ric)(Z, V)X - (D_Z Ric)(X, V)Y = 0.$$

Contracting (2.3) with respect to  $X$ , we get

$$(2.4) \quad (D_Z Ric)(Y, V) - (D_Y Ric)(Z, V) = 0.$$

Consequently in view of (1.7), the relation (2.4) gives

$$(2.5) \quad (D_Z R)(Y) - (D_Y R)(Z) = 0.$$

This leads us to the following result:

**Theorem 2.1** - In a  $(SWPS)_n$ , the Ricci tensor of type (1,1) is closed.

Contracting (2.5) with respect to  $Y$ , we get

$$Zr = 0,$$

which has shows that the scalar curvature  $r$  is constant.

Thus we have the following result:

**Theorem 2.2** - In a  $(SWPS)_n$ , the scalar curvature  $r$  is constant.

By virtue of (1.5), the equation (1.4) reduces to the form

$$(2.6) \quad P(Y, Z, V) = K(Y, Z, V) - \frac{\lambda}{n-1}[g(Z, V)Y - g(Y, V)Z].$$

Taking covariant derivative of (2.6) with respect to  $X$ , we get

$$(2.7) \quad (D_X P)(Y, Z, V) = (D_X K)(Y, Z, V).$$

Using (1.3) in (2.7), we get

$$(2.8) \quad (D_X K)(Y, Z, V) = 2 \alpha(X)P(Y, Z, V) + \alpha(Y)P(X, Z, V) \\ + \alpha(Z)P(Y, X, V) + \alpha(V)P(Y, Z, X).$$

By virtue of (2.6), the relation (2.8) reduces to the form

$$(D_X K)(Y, Z, V) = 2\alpha(X)[K(Y, Z, V) - \frac{\lambda}{n-1}g(Z, V)Y - g(Y, V)Z] \\ + \alpha(Y)[K(X, Z, V) - \frac{\lambda}{n-1}g(Z, V)X - g(X, V)Z] \\ + \alpha(Z)[K(Y, X, V) - \frac{\lambda}{n-1}g(X, V)Y - g(Y, V)X] \\ + \alpha(V)[K(Y, Z, X) - \frac{\lambda}{n-1}g(Z, X)Y - g(Y, X)Z].$$

From the above relation, we have the following result:

**Theorem 2.3** - The necessary and sufficient condition for an Einstein (SWPS) $_n$  to be a (SWS) $_n$  is that

$$[2\alpha(X) Y + \alpha(Y) X] g(Z, V) - [2\alpha(X) Z + \alpha(Z)X] g(Y, V) \\ + [\alpha(Z) Y - \alpha(Y) Z] g(X, V) + \alpha(V) [g(Z, X) Y - g(Y, X) Z] = 0.$$

### 3 Manifold satisfying $P(Y, Z, V) = 0$

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be a projectively flat, that is,  $P(Y, Z, V) = 0$ , then the relation (1.4) reduces to

$$(3.1) \quad K(Y, Z, V) = \frac{1}{n-1}[Ric(Z, V)Y - Ric(Y, V)Z].$$

Taking covariant derivative of (3.1) with respect to  $X$ , we have

$$(3.2) \quad (D_X K)(Y, Z, V) = \frac{1}{n-1}[(D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z].$$

Permuting equation (3.2) twice with respect to  $X, Y, Z$ ; and then adding the three obtained equations and using Bianchi's second identity, we have

$$(3.3) \quad (D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y + (D_Y Ric)(X, V)Z + (D_Z Ric)(Y, V)X \\ - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z - (D_Y Ric)(Z, V)X - (D_Z Ric)(X, V)Y = 0.$$

Contracting (3.3) with respect to  $X$ , we have

$$(3.4) \quad (D_Z Ric)(Y, V) - (D_Y Ric)(Z, V) = 0.$$

Consequently in view of (1.7), the relation (3.4) gives

$$(3.5) \quad (D_Z R)(Y) - (D_Y R)(Z) = 0.$$

This leads us to the following result:

**Theorem 3.1** - In a projectively flat Riemannian manifold, the Ricci tensor  $R$  of type (1,1) is closed.

An  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold is called a special weakly Ricci symmetric manifold [10] if the Ricci tensor  $Ric$  of type (0, 2) satisfies the following condition:

$$(3.6) \quad (D_X Ric)(Y, Z) = 2\alpha(X)Ric(Y, Z) + \alpha(Y)Ric(X, Z) + \alpha(Z)Ric(Y, X),$$

where  $\alpha$  is a non-zero 1-form. Such a manifold will be denoted by  $(SWRS)_n$ .

Now using (3.6) in (3.3), we have

$$(3.7) \quad \alpha(X)Ric(Z, V)Y + \alpha(Y)Ric(X, V)Z + \alpha(Z)Ric(Y, V)X \\ - \alpha(X)Ric(Y, V)Z - \alpha(Y)Ric(Z, V)X - \alpha(Z)Ric(X, V)Y = 0.$$

Contracting (3.7) with respect to  $X$ , we have

$$(3.8) \quad \alpha(Z)Ric(Y, V) - \alpha(Y)Ric(Z, V) = 0.$$

which in view of (1.7) gives

$$\alpha(Z)g(R(Y), V) + \alpha(Y)g(R(Z), V) = 0$$

Consequently the above relation gives

$$\alpha(Z)R(Y) - \alpha(Y)R(Z) = 0.$$

Thus, we have the following result:

**Theorem 3.2** - In a projectively flat  $(SWRS)_n$ , the 1-form  $\alpha$  is collinear with the Ricci tensor  $R$ .

Taking covariant derivative of (1.4) with respect to  $X$ , we have

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_X P)(Y, Z, V) &= (D_X K)(Y, Z, V) \\ &- \frac{1}{n-1} [(D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z]. \end{aligned}$$

Permutting equation (3.9) twice with respect to  $X, Y, Z$ ; and then adding the three obtained equations and using Bianchi's second identity, we have

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} (D_X P)(Y, Z, V) &+ (D_Y P)(Z, X, V) + (D_Z P)(X, Y, V) \\ &= -\frac{1}{n-1} [(D_X Ric)(Z, V)Y - (D_X Ric)(Y, V)Z \\ &\quad - (D_Y Ric)(X, V)Z - (D_Y Ric)(Z, V)X \\ &\quad - (D_Z Ric)(Y, V)X - (D_Z Ric)(X, V)Y]. \end{aligned}$$

Using (1.3) and (3.6) in (3.10) and taking in mind the skew-symmetric of  $P(X, Y, Z)$ , cyclic property of  $P(X, Y, Z)$  and symmetric property of Ricci tensor of type (0,2), we have

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \alpha(X) Ric(Z, V)Y - \alpha(X) Ric(Y, V)Z + \alpha(Y) Ric(X, V)Z \\ - \alpha(Y) Ric(Z, V)X + \alpha(Z) Ric(Y, V)X - \alpha(Z) Ric(X, V)Y = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Contracting (3.11) with respect to  $X$ , we have

$$(3.12) \quad (n-2)\alpha(Z) Ric(Y, V) - (n-2)\alpha(Y) Ric(Z, V) = 0,$$

which in view of (1.7) the relation (3.12) gives

$$(3.13) \quad \alpha(Z) g(R(Y), V) - \alpha(Y) g(R(Z), V) = 0.$$

Consequently the relation (3.13) gives

$$\alpha(Z)R(Y) - \alpha(Y)R(Z) = 0.$$

This leads us to the following result:

**Theorem 3.3** - In a  $(SWPS)_n$ , if a Riemannian manifold is a  $(SWRS)_n$ , the 1-form  $\alpha$  is collinear with the Ricci tensor  $R$ . of type (1,1).

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