

## Dualistic structure on Sasakian manifolds

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### Abstract

*Affine connections compatible with a contact structure are defined and conditions for two compatible connections on a Sasaki manifold to form a dualistic structure are given.*

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## 1 Introduction

A fundamental theorem of Riemannian geometry states that given a metric, there is a unique connection (among the class of torsion-free connections) that "preserves" the metric, i.e., the following condition is satisfied

$$X.g(Y, Z) = g(\widehat{\nabla}_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \widehat{\nabla}_X Z) \quad (1)$$

for all vectors fields  $X, Y, Z$  on  $M$ .

Such a connection, denoted as  $\widehat{\nabla}$ , is called the Levi-Civita connection. It is compatible with the metric.

It turns out that one can define a kind of "compatibility" relation more general than expressed by (1), by introducing the notion of "conjugacy" (denoted by  $*$ ) between two connections.

Geometry of conjugate connections is a natural generalization of geometry of Levi-Civita connections from Riemannian manifolds theory. Since conjugate connections arise from affine differential geometry and from geometric theory of statistical inferences [3].

Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold and  $\nabla$  an affine connection on  $M$ . A connection  $\nabla^*$  is called conjugate connection of  $\nabla$  with respect to the metric  $g$  if

$$X.g(Y, Z) = g(\nabla_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X^* Z) \quad (2)$$

for arbitrary vectors fields  $X, Y, Z$  on  $M$ . The triple of a Riemannian metric and a pair of conjugates connection  $(g, \nabla, \nabla^*)$  satisfying (2) is called a dualistic structure on  $M$ .

Clearly,  $(\nabla^*)^* = \nabla$ . Moreover,  $\widehat{\nabla}$ , which satisfies (1), is special in the sense that it is self-conjugate  $\widehat{\nabla}^* = \widehat{\nabla}$ .

In the present paper, we shall introduce the notion of affine connections compatible with a contact structure and provide conditions for two such compatible connections to form a dualistic structure on Sasaki manifold.

## 2 Preliminaries

For more background on almost contact metric manifolds, we recommend the reference [5, 7].

An odd-dimensional Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is said to be an almost contact metric manifold if there exist on  $M$  a  $(1, 1)$  tensor field  $\varphi$ , a vector field  $\xi$  (called the structure vector field) and a 1-form  $\eta$  such that  $\eta(\xi) = 1$ ,  $\phi^2(X) = -X + \eta(X)\xi$  and  $g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)$ , for any vector fields  $X, Y$  on  $M$ . In particular, in an almost contact metric manifold we also have  $\varphi\xi = 0$  and  $\eta \circ \varphi = 0$ .

Such a manifold is said to be a contact metric manifold if  $d\eta = \phi$ , where  $\phi(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y)$  is called the fundamental 2-form of  $M$ . If, in addition,  $\xi$  is a Killing vector field, then  $M$  is said to be a K-contact manifold. It is well-known that a contact metric manifold is a K-contact manifold if and only if  $\nabla_X \xi = -\varphi X$ , for any vector field  $X$  on  $M$ . In a K-contact manifold, we have

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = R(\xi, X)Y$$

for any  $X, Y$  ([5], pp. 92-94).

On the other hand, the almost contact metric structure of  $M$  is said to be normal if  $[\varphi, \varphi](X, Y) = -2d\eta(X, Y)\xi$ , for any  $X, Y$ , where  $[\varphi, \varphi]$  denotes the Nijenhuis torsion of  $\varphi$ , given by

$$[\varphi, \varphi](X, Y) = \phi^2[X, Y] + [\varphi X, \varphi Y] - \varphi[\varphi X, Y] - \varphi[X, \varphi Y]$$

A normal contact metric manifold is called a Sasakian manifold. It can be proved that a Sasakian manifold is K-contact, and that an almost contact metric manifold is Sasakian if and only if

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X.$$

### 3 Main results

Let  $(M^{2n+1}, \varphi, \xi, \eta, \phi, g)$  be a contact metric manifold where

$$\phi(X, Y) = d\eta(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y)$$

the 2-form on  $M$  for all  $X, Y$  vectors field on  $M$ .

We say that a pair of affine connections  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$  are compatible with the contact structure  $\phi$  if

$$X.\phi(Y, Z) = \phi(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \phi(Y, \nabla'_X Z) + \eta(Y)g(X, Z) - \eta(Z)g(X, Y). \quad (3)$$

In what follows, we shall prove some preliminary results needed to determine a dualistic structure on a Sasakian manifold (see Theorem 3.11).

**Proposition 3.1** *Let  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$  be an affine connections on the smooth manifold  $M$ , compatible with the contact structure  $\phi$  and  $T, T'$  their torsion tensors respectively. Then:*

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(T(X, Y) - T'(X, Y), Z) &= (\nabla' \phi)(X, Y, Z) - (\nabla' \phi)(Y, X, Z) \\ &+ \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z), \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$(\nabla \phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla \phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z)$$

*if and only if*

$$(\nabla' \phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla' \phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z),$$

for all  $X, Y, Z$  vectors fields on  $M$ .

**Proof 3.2** *Using the compatibility condition, we get*

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(T(X, Y) - T'(X, Y), Z) &:= \phi(\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - \nabla'_X Y + \nabla'_Y X, Z) \\
&= X.\phi(Y, Z) - \phi(Y, \nabla'_X Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z) \\
&\quad + \eta(Z)g(X, Y) - Y.\phi(X, Z) + \phi(X, \nabla'_Y Z) \\
&\quad + \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Z)g(X, Y) - \phi(\nabla'_X Y, Z) \\
&\quad + \phi(\nabla'_Y X, Z) \\
&= (\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) - (\nabla'\phi)(Y, X, Z) \\
&\quad + \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z).
\end{aligned}$$

(b) We have

$$(\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) := X.\phi(Y, Z) - \phi(\nabla'_X Y, Z) - \phi(Y, \nabla'_X Z),$$

and we knowing that

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(\nabla'_X Y, Z) &= -\phi(Z, \nabla'_X Y) \\
&= -X.\phi(Z, Y) + \phi(\nabla_X Z, Y) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z) + \eta(Z)g(X, Y) \\
&= X.\phi(Y, Z) - \phi(Y, \nabla_X Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z) + \eta(Z)g(X, Y),
\end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) &:= -X.\phi(Y, Z) + \phi(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \phi(Y, \nabla_X Z) \\
&\quad + 2\eta(Y)g(X, Z) - 2\eta(Z)g(X, Y) \\
&= -(\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) + 2\eta(Y)g(X, Z) - 2\eta(Z)g(X, Y).
\end{aligned}$$

Now suppose that for all  $X, Y, Z$  vectors fields on  $M$ ,

$$(\nabla'\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z),$$

using the above equation, we obtain

$$(\nabla\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z),$$

and conversely.

**Corollary 3.3** *Let  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$  be an affine connections on the smooth manifold  $M$ , compatible with the contact structure  $\phi$  and  $T, T'$  their torsion tensors respectively. Then:*

(a) *If  $(\nabla'\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z)$ , then  $T' = T$ .*

- (b) If  $(\nabla'\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z)$ ,  
and  $T' = 0$ ,  
then  $(\nabla\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z)$   
and  $T = 0$ , too.

**Proof 3.4** Follows from Proposition 3.1

**Proposition 3.5** Let  $\nabla$  be an affine connection on the Sasakian manifold  $M$  such that

$$(\nabla_X\varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X, \quad (*)$$

for all  $X, Y$  vectors fields on  $M$ .

If  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$  are compatible with the contact structure  $\phi$ , then

$$\nabla'\varphi = \nabla\varphi.$$

**Proof 3.6** By (\*), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(Z, (\nabla'_X\varphi)Y - (\nabla_X\varphi)Y) &= \phi(Z, (\nabla'_X\varphi)Y) - \phi(Z, (\nabla_X\varphi)Y) \\ &= \phi(Z, \nabla'_X\varphi Y) + \phi(\varphi Z, \nabla'_X Y) + \eta(Y)\phi(Z, X), \end{aligned}$$

using the compatibility condition, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(Z, (\nabla'_X\varphi)Y - (\nabla_X\varphi)Y) &= X.\phi(Z, \varphi Y) - \phi(\nabla_X Z, \varphi Y) - \eta(Z)g(X, \varphi Y) \\ &\quad + X.\phi(\varphi Z, Y) - \phi(\nabla_X \varphi Z, Y) \\ &= -\eta(Z)g(X, \varphi Y) - \phi((\nabla_X\varphi)Z, Y), \end{aligned}$$

replacing  $(\nabla_X\varphi)Z = g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(Z)X$ , we obtain

$$\phi(Z, (\nabla'_X\varphi)Y - (\nabla_X\varphi)Y) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \nabla'\varphi = \nabla\varphi.$$

**Lemma 3.7** Let  $\nabla$  be an affine connection on the Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ .  
If

$$(\nabla_X\varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X.$$

for all  $X, Y$  vectors fields on  $M$  then,

1.  $\nabla_X\xi = -\varphi X + \eta(\nabla_X\xi)\xi$ ,
2.  $\eta(\nabla_\xi\varphi X) = \eta(\nabla_{\varphi X}\xi) = 0$ ,
3.  $\eta(\nabla_X\xi) = g(X, \nabla_\xi\xi) = \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_\xi\xi)$ .

**Proof 3.8** Suppose that for all  $X, Y$  vectors fields on  $M$ ,

$$(\nabla_X\varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X.$$

1. We can see that  $\nabla_\xi \varphi = 0$  and for  $Y = \xi$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X \varphi)\xi &= \eta(X)\xi - X \Leftrightarrow -\varphi \nabla_X \xi = \eta(X)\xi - X \\ &\Leftrightarrow \varphi^2 \nabla_X \xi = \varphi X \\ &\Leftrightarrow \nabla_X \xi = -\varphi X + \eta(\nabla_X \xi)\xi, \end{aligned}$$

2. We have

$$2d\eta(X, Y) = X\eta(Y) - Y\eta(X) - \eta([X, Y]),$$

for  $Y = \xi$  we obtain

$$d\eta(X, \xi) = -\xi\eta(X) - \eta([X, \xi]),$$

knowing that  $d\eta(X, Y) = \phi(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y)$  then,

$$\xi\eta(X) = \eta([\xi, X]),$$

replacing  $X$  by  $\varphi X$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta([\xi, \varphi X]) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \eta(\nabla_{\varphi X} \xi) = \eta(\nabla_\xi \varphi X) \\ &= \eta((\nabla_\xi \varphi)X) + \eta(\varphi \nabla_\xi X) \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

3. We have  $X = -\varphi^2 X + \eta(X)\xi$  so,

$$\eta(\nabla_X \xi) = -\eta(\nabla_{\varphi^2 X} \xi) + \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_\xi \xi),$$

using lemma (3.7, 2) we obtain

$$\eta(\nabla_X \xi) = \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_\xi \xi).$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} g(X, \nabla_\xi \xi) &= g(-\varphi^2 X + \eta(X)\xi, \nabla_\xi \xi) \\ &= g(\varphi X, \varphi \nabla_\xi \xi) + \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_\xi \xi), \end{aligned}$$

we can see that  $\varphi \nabla_\xi \xi = 0$  so,

$$g(X, \nabla_\xi \xi) = \eta(X)\eta(\nabla_\xi \xi).$$

which prove our assertions.

**Proposition 3.9** *Let  $\nabla$  be an affine connection on the Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  such that for all  $X, Y$  vectors fields on  $M$ ,*

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X.$$

If

$$(\nabla\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z),$$

for all  $X, Y, Z$  vectors fields on  $M$  then  $\nabla g$  is symmetric.

**Proof 3.10** *For all  $X, Y, Z$  vectors fields on  $M$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla g)(X, Y, \varphi Z) &:= X.g(Y, \varphi Z) - g(\nabla_X Y, \varphi Z) - g(Y, \nabla_X(\varphi Z)) \\ &= X.\phi(X, Z) - \phi(\nabla_X Y, Z) - g(Y, (\nabla_X \varphi)Z + \varphi \nabla_X Z) \\ &= X.\phi(X, Z) - \phi(\nabla_X Y, Z) - \phi(Y, \nabla_X Z) - g(Y, (\nabla_X \varphi)Z), \end{aligned}$$

using again  $(\nabla_X \varphi)Z = g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(Z)X$ , we get

$$(\nabla g)(X, Y, \varphi Z) = (\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z) + \eta(Z)g(Y, X), \quad (4)$$

and we have also

$$(\nabla g)(Y, X, \varphi Z) = (\nabla\phi)(Y, X, Z) - \eta(X)g(Y, Z) + \eta(Z)g(X, Y), \quad (5)$$

differentiating 4 from 5 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla g)(Y, X, \varphi Z) - (\nabla g)(X, X, \varphi Z) &= (\nabla\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) \\ &\quad - \eta(X)g(Y, Z) + \eta(Y)g(X, Z). \end{aligned}$$

so, if

$$(\nabla\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z),$$

then

$$(\nabla g)(X, Y, \varphi Z) = (\nabla g)(Y, X, \varphi Z).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(\nabla g)(X, Y, \xi) = X\eta(Y) - \eta(\nabla_X Y) - g(Y, \nabla_X \xi),$$

using lemma (3.7,1) then lemma (3.7,3) we obtain,

$$(\nabla g)(X, Y, \xi) = X\eta(Y) - \eta(\nabla_X Y) + d\eta(Y, X) - \eta(Y)\eta(X)\eta(\nabla_\xi \xi).$$

In the same way, we have

$$(\nabla g)(Y, X, \xi) = Y\eta(X) - \eta(\nabla_Y X) + d\eta(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(\nabla_\xi \xi).$$

differentiating the two above equations we obtain

$$(\nabla g)(X, Y, \xi) - (\nabla g)(X, Y, \xi) = 0.$$

This completes the proof of the proposition.

Recall that  $(M, \nabla, g)$  is statistical manifold if  $\nabla$  is a torsion free affine connection and  $\nabla g$  is symmetric, for  $g$  a pseudo-Riemannian metric on  $M$ . If  $\nabla'$  is another affine connection on  $M$  such that  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$  are compatible with  $g$ , then  $\nabla'$  is also torsion free and  $\nabla'g$  is symmetric. In this case,  $(M, \nabla', g)$  is also statistical manifold called the dual statistical manifold of  $(M, \nabla, g)$  and we say that  $(\nabla, \nabla', g)$  is a dualistic structure on  $M$  [2].

**Theorem 3.11** *Let  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, \phi, g)$  be a Sasakian manifold and let  $\nabla'$  be a torsion free affine connection on  $M$  such that*

$$(\nabla'_X \varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X,$$

$$(\nabla'\phi)(Y, X, Z) - (\nabla'\phi)(X, Y, Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z),$$

for all  $X, Y, Z$  vectors field on  $M$  and  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla'$  are compatible with  $\phi$ . Then  $(M, \nabla', g)$  and  $(M, \nabla, g)$  are statistical manifolds and  $(\nabla, \nabla', g)$  is a dualistic structure on  $M$ .

**Proof 3.12** *Follows from propositions (3.1), (3.5) and (3.9).*

## 4 Open Problem

By considering propositions 4 and 7 in [4], it is proved that there are Kähler and Sasakian manifolds of any dimensions. We start with  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and its natural Kähler structure. There is a 3-dimension Sasakian manifold  $M = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then, by the method of Oubiniã [6] and consequently we have a Kählerian manifold of dimension 4. Continuing the current method, we produce Kähler and Sasaki manifolds of any dimensions  $n \geq 2$ .

regarding this close relation, one ask if it is possible to construct a dualistic structure on a Kählerian manifold starting from a dualistic structure on a Sasakian manifold and vice versa, based on this paper and work [2] presented by M. Blaga.

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