

# On the concircular curvature tensor of a $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold

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## Abstract

We give a classification of  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds, whose concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  and Ricci tensor  $S$  satisfy  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ .

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## 1 Introduction

A transformation of an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold  $M$ , which transforms every geodesic circle of  $M$  into a geodesic circle, is called a *concircular transformation* ([9], [16]). A concircular transformation is always a conformal transformation ([9]). Here geodesic circle means a curve in  $M$  whose first curvature is constant and whose second curvature is identically zero. Thus, the geometry of concircular transformations, that is, the concircular geometry, is a generalization of inversive geometry in the sense that the change of metric is more general than that induced by a circle preserving diffeomorphism (see also [3]). An interesting invariant of a concircular transformation is the *concircular curvature tensor*  $Z$ . It is defined by ([16], [17])

$$Z = R - \frac{r}{n(n-1)}R_0,$$

where  $R$  is the curvature tensor,  $r$  is the scalar curvature and

$$R_0(X, Y)W = g(Y, W)X - g(X, W)Y, \quad X, Y, W \in TM.$$

Riemannian manifolds with vanishing concircular curvature tensor are of constant curvature. Thus, the concircular curvature tensor is a measure of the failure of a Riemannian manifold to be of constant curvature.

It is well known that the tangent sphere bundle of a flat Riemannian manifold admits a contact metric structure satisfying  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$  [2]. On the other hand, on a manifold  $M$  equipped with a Sasakian structure  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi, g)$ , it follows that (see equation (2.6))

$$R(X, Y)\xi = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y = R_0(X, Y)\xi, \quad X, Y \in TM.$$

As a generalization of both  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$  and the Sasakian case; D. Blair, T. Koufogiorgos and B. J. Papantoniou [5] considered the  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity condition (see Section 2) on a contact metric manifold and gave several reasons for studying it. Thus, they introduced the class of contact metric manifolds  $M$  with contact metric structures  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi, g)$ , which satisfies

$$R(X, Y)\xi = (\kappa I + \mu h)R_0(X, Y)\xi, \quad X, Y \in TM,$$

where  $(\kappa, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $2h$  is the Lie derivative of  $\varphi$  in the direction  $\xi$ . A contact metric manifold belonging to this class is called a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold. Characteristic examples of non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds are the tangent sphere bundles of Riemannian manifolds of constant sectional curvature not equal to one and certain Lie groups [8].

In a previous paper [6], D. E. Blair and the authors started a study of concircular curvature tensor of contact metric manifolds. Main result of this paper [6] states that a  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold  $M$  satisfies  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$  if and only if  $M$  is locally isometric to the sphere  $S^{2n+1}(1)$ ,  $M$  is locally isometric to the Example 2.1 (Example 3.1 of [6]) or  $M$  is 3-dimensional and flat. An  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold is a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold with  $\mu = 0$ . Example 2.1 is an  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold with  $\kappa = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $n > 1$ . In this example it is  $Z(\xi, \cdot)$  that vanishes while  $Z$  itself is not zero. B. J. Papantoniou [12] and D. Perrone [13] included the studies of contact metric manifolds satisfying  $R(X, \xi) \cdot S = 0$ , where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor. Motivated by these studies, we continue the study of the paper [6] and classify  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds with concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfying  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ . In fact, we prove the following theorems.

**Theorem 1.1** *A Ricci flat  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold must be flat and 3-dimensional.*

**Theorem 1.2** *A non-Sasakian Einstein  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold is flat and 3-dimensional.*

**Theorem 1.3** *Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a non-Sasakian  $\eta$ -Einstein  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold. Then the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  if and only if  $M^{2n+1}$  is flat and 3-dimensional.*

**Theorem 1.4** *Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold. The concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  if and only if we have one of the following:*

- (a)  $M^{2n+1}$  is flat and 3-dimensional.
- (b)  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to the Example 2.1.
- (c)  $M^{2n+1}$  is an Einstein-Sasakian manifold.

The section 2 contains a brief introduction to contact metric manifolds and  $\mathcal{D}$ -homothetic deformation. In this section we also recall Example 3.1 of [6] as Example 2.1. Section 3 contains some basic results. In the section 4, we prove the above theorems.

## 2 Contact metric manifolds

A differentiable 1-form  $\eta$  on a  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional differentiable manifold  $M$  is called a *contact form* if  $\eta \wedge (d\eta)^n \neq 0$  everywhere on  $M$ , and  $M$  equipped with a contact form is a *contact manifold*. Since rank of  $d\eta$  is  $2n$  on the Grassmann algebra  $\wedge T_p^*M$  at each point  $p \in M$ , therefore there exists a unique global vector field  $\xi$ , called the *characteristic vector field*, such that

$$(2.1) \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad d\eta(\xi, \cdot) = 0.$$

Moreover, it is well-known that there exist a Riemannian metric  $g$  and a  $(1,1)$ -tensor field  $\varphi$  such that

$$(2.2) \quad \varphi\xi = 0, \quad \eta \circ \varphi = 0, \quad \eta(X) = g(X, \xi),$$

$$(2.3) \quad \varphi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad d\eta(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y),$$

$$(2.4) \quad g(X, Y) = g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

for  $X, Y \in TM$ . The structure  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi, g)$  is called a *contact metric structure* and the manifold  $M$  endowed with such a structure is said to be a *contact metric manifold*.

The contact metric structure  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi, g)$  on  $M$  gives rise to a natural almost Hermitian structure on the product manifold  $M \times \mathbf{R}$ . If this structure is integrable, then  $M$  is said to be a *Sasakian manifold*. A Sasakian manifold is characterized by the condition

$$(2.5) \quad \nabla_X \varphi = R_0(\xi, X), \quad X \in TM,$$

where  $\nabla$  is Levi-Civita connection. Also, a contact metric manifold  $M$  is Sasakian if and only if the curvature tensor  $R$  satisfies

$$(2.6) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = R_0(X, Y)\xi, \quad X, Y \in TM.$$

In a contact metric manifold  $M$ , the  $(1,1)$ -tensor field  $h$  is symmetric and satisfies

$$(2.7) \quad h\xi = 0, \quad h\varphi + \varphi h = 0, \quad \nabla\xi = -\varphi - \varphi h, \quad \text{trace}(h) = \text{trace}(\varphi h) = 0.$$

The  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity distribution  $N(\kappa, \mu)$  ([5],[12]) of a contact metric manifold  $M$  is defined by

$$N(\kappa, \mu) : p \rightarrow N_p(\kappa, \mu) = \{W \in T_p M \mid R(X, Y)W = (\kappa I + \mu h)R_0(X, Y)W\}$$

for all  $X, Y \in TM$ , where  $(\kappa, \mu) \in \mathbf{R}^2$ . A contact metric manifold  $M$  with  $\xi \in N(\kappa, \mu)$  is called a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold. In this case, we have  $h^2 = (\kappa - 1)\varphi^2$ . In fact,  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds exist for all values of  $\kappa \leq 1$  and all  $\mu$ . The class of  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds contains Sasakian manifolds for  $\kappa = 1$  and  $h = 0$ . If  $\mu = 0$ , the  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity distribution  $N(\kappa, \mu)$  is reduced to the  $\kappa$ -nullity distribution  $N(\kappa)$  [15]. If  $\xi \in N(\kappa)$ , then we call a contact metric manifold  $M$  an  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold [15]. For more details we refer to [1] and [4].

We also recall the notion of a  $\mathcal{D}$ -homothetic deformation. For a given contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , this is the structure defined by

$$\bar{\eta} = a\eta, \quad \bar{\xi} = \frac{1}{a}\xi, \quad \bar{\varphi} = \varphi, \quad \bar{g} = ag + a(a-1)\eta \otimes \eta,$$

where  $a$  is a positive constant. While such a change preserves the state of being contact metric,  $K$ -contact, Sasakian or strongly pseudo-convex  $CR$ , it destroys a condition like  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$  or  $R(X, Y)\xi = \kappa(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y)$ . However the form of the  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity condition is preserved under a  $\mathcal{D}$ -homothetic deformation with

$$\bar{\kappa} = \frac{\kappa + a^2 - 1}{a^2}, \quad \bar{\mu} = \frac{\mu + 2a - 2}{a}.$$

Given a non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $M$ , E. Boeckx [8] introduced an invariant

$$I_M = \frac{1 - \frac{\mu}{2}}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa}}$$

and showed that for two non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds  $(M_i, \varphi_i, \xi_i, \eta_i, g_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , we have  $I_{M_1} = I_{M_2}$  if and only if up to a  $\mathcal{D}$ -homothetic deformation, the two manifolds are locally isometric as contact metric manifolds. Thus we know all non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifolds locally as soon as we have for every odd dimension  $2n + 1$  and for every possible value of the invariant  $I$ , one  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  with  $I_M = I$ . For  $I > -1$  such examples may be found from the standard contact metric structure on the tangent sphere bundle of a manifold of constant curvature  $c$  where we have  $I = \frac{1+c}{|1-c|}$ . E. Boeckx also gives a Lie algebra construction for any odd dimension and value of  $I \leq -1$ .

In the following, we recall Example 3.1 of [6].

**Example 2.1** [6] For  $n > 1$ , the Boeckx invariant for a  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional  $(1 - \frac{1}{n}, 0)$ -manifold is  $\sqrt{n} > -1$ . Therefore, we consider the tangent sphere bundle of an  $(n + 1)$ -dimensional manifold of constant curvature  $c$  so chosen that the resulting  $\mathcal{D}$ -homothetic deformation will be a  $(1 - \frac{1}{n}, 0)$ -manifold. That is for  $\kappa = c(2 - c)$  and  $\mu = -2c$  we solve

$$1 - \frac{1}{n} = \frac{\kappa + a^2 - 1}{a^2}, \quad 0 = \frac{\mu + 2a - 2}{a}$$

for  $a$  and  $c$ . The result is

$$c = \frac{(\sqrt{n} \pm 1)^2}{n - 1}, \quad a = 1 + c$$

and taking  $c$  and  $a$  to be these values we obtain a  $N(1 - \frac{1}{n})$ -contact metric manifold.

The above example is used in Theorem 1.4.

### 3 Some basic results

From the definition of the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$ , in an almost contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  we have

$$(3.8) \quad Z = R - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}R_0.$$

For a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold, we have

$$(3.9) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = (\kappa I + \mu h)R_0(X, Y)\xi,$$

which is equivalent to

$$(3.10) \quad R(\xi, X) = R_0(\xi, (\kappa I + \mu h)X).$$

From (3.9), we get

$$(3.11) \quad R(\xi, X)\xi = \kappa(\eta(X)\xi - X) - \mu hX.$$

Now, we prove the following

**Proposition 3.1** *In a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies*

$$(3.12) \quad Z(X, Y)\xi = \left( \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) I + \mu h \right) R_0(X, Y)\xi,$$

$$(3.13) \quad Z(\xi, X) = \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) R_0(\xi, X) + \mu R_0(\xi, hX).$$

Consequently, we have

$$(3.14) \quad Z(\xi, X)\xi = \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) (\eta(X)\xi - X) - \mu hX.$$

$$(3.15) \quad \eta(Z(X, Y)\xi) = 0,$$

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} \eta(Z(\xi, X)Y) &= \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) (g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) \\ &+ \mu g(hX, Y). \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** From (3.8), (3.9) and (3.10) the equations (3.12) and (3.13) follow easily.  $\square$

Next, we have the following

**Proposition 3.2** *In a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , we have*

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} S(Z(\xi, X)Y, \xi) &= 2n\kappa\mu g(hX, Y) \\ &+ 2n\kappa \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) (g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)), \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.18) \quad \begin{aligned} S(Z(\xi, X)\xi, Y) &= 2n\kappa \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) \eta(X)\eta(Y) \\ &- \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) S(X, Y) - \mu S(hX, Y). \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** For a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , it is well known that

$$(3.19) \quad S(X, \xi) = 2n\kappa\eta(X).$$

From (3.19) and (3.16) we get (3.17), while (3.18) follows from (3.14) and (3.19).  $\square$

Now, we prove a key Lemma for later use.

**Lemma 3.3** *Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold satisfying  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ . Then*

$$(3.20) \quad 0 = \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) (S(X, Y) - 2n\kappa g(X, Y)) \\ + \mu (S(hX, Y) - 2n\kappa g(hX, Y)).$$

**Proof.** In an almost contact metric manifold, the condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  implies that

$$(3.21) \quad S(Z(\xi, X)Y, \xi) + S(Y, Z(\xi, X)\xi) = 0,$$

which in view of (3.17) and (3.18) gives (3.20).  $\square$

It is well known that in a non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  the Ricci operator  $Q$  is given by [5]

$$(3.22) \quad Q = (2(n-1) - n\mu)I + (2(n-1) + \mu)h \\ + (2(1-n) + n(2\kappa + \mu))\eta \otimes \xi.$$

Consequently, the Ricci tensor  $S$  and the scalar curvature  $r$  are given by

$$(3.23) \quad S(X, Y) = (2(n-1) - n\mu)g(X, Y) + (2(n-1) + \mu)g(hX, Y) \\ + (2(1-n) + n(2\kappa + \mu))\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

$$(3.24) \quad r = 2n(2n - 2 + \kappa - n\mu).$$

From (3.23), we also have

$$(3.25) \quad S(hX, Y) = (2(n-1) - n\mu)g(hX, Y) \\ - (\kappa - 1)(2(n-1) + \mu)g(X, Y) \\ + (\kappa - 1)(2(n-1) + \mu)\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

where  $\eta \circ h = 0$ ,  $h^2 = (\kappa - 1)\varphi^2$  and (2.4) are used.

We also recall the following theorems for later use.

**Theorem 3.4** (Olszak [11] or see [4] pp. 98-99) *A contact metric manifold of constant curvature is necessarily a Sasakian manifold of constant curvature +1 or is 3-dimensional and flat.*

**Theorem 3.5** (Blair [2] or see [4] p. 101) *Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a contact metric manifold satisfying  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$ . Then,  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to  $E^{n+1}(0) \times S^n(4)$  for  $n > 1$  and flat for  $n = 1$ .*

## 4 Proof of Theorems

In this section, we prove Theorems 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4.

**Proof of Theorem 1.1.** Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a Ricci flat  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold. Then from (3.19), we get

$$0 = S(\xi, \xi) = 2n\kappa,$$

which implies that  $\kappa = 0$ . Using  $\kappa = 0$  in (3.24) and (3.25), we get

$$(4.26) \quad n\mu = 2(n-1)$$

and

$$(4.27) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 = S(hX, Y) &= (2(n-1) + \mu)(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) \\ &+ (2(n-1) - n\mu)g(hX, Y) \end{aligned}$$

respectively. The above equation implies that

$$(4.28) \quad \mu = -2(n-1).$$

Since  $n$  is positive, from (4.26) and (4.28) we get  $n = 1$  and consequently  $\mu = 0$ . Thus, in view of Theorem 3.5 the proof is complete.  $\square$

Now we give a proof of Theorem 1.2.

**Proof of Theorem 1.2.** To prove that a non-Sasakian Einstein  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold is 3-dimensional and flat, we proceed as follows. If  $QX = aX$  and since we know  $Q$ , we have

$$(4.29) \quad \begin{aligned} aX &= (2(n-1) - n\mu)X + (2(n-1) + \mu)hX \\ &+ (2(1-n) + n(2\kappa + \mu))\eta(X)\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $X = \xi$ , we get  $a = 2n\kappa$ . Applying to eigenvectors of  $h$ , say  $hX = \lambda X$ ,  $h\varphi X = -\lambda\varphi X$ , and comparing we see that the coefficient of  $hX$  must vanish. Thus, we get  $\mu = -2(n-1)$  and then

$$(4.30) \quad 2n\kappa = 2(n-1) + 2n(n-1) = 2(n^2 - 1).$$

Therefore  $\kappa = \frac{n^2-1}{n} < 1$ , so  $n = 1$  is the only case. This gives  $\mu = 0$  which with  $n = 1$  gives  $\kappa = 0$ .  $\square$

Theorem 1.2 is a generalization of Theorem 5.2 of [15], which states that an Einstein  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold of dimension  $\geq 5$  is necessarily Sasakian.

Before proving Theorem 1.3, we give a brief introduction to  $\eta$ -Einstein  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold. A contact metric manifold  $M$  is said to be  $\eta$ -Einstein ([10] or see [4] p. 105) if the Ricci tensor  $S$  satisfies

$$(4.31) \quad S = ag + b\eta \otimes \eta,$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are some smooth functions on the manifold. In particular if  $b = 0$ , then  $M$  becomes an *Einstein manifold*. In dimensions  $\geq 5$  it is known that for any  $\eta$ -Einstein  $K$ -contact manifold,  $a$  and  $b$  are constants [14].

**Example 4.1** A contact metric manifold, obtained by a  $\mathcal{D}$ -homothetic deformation of the contact metric structure on the tangent sphere bundle of a Riemannian manifold  $M^{n+1}$  of constant curvature  $\frac{n^2 \pm 2n + 1}{n^2 - 1}$ , is a non-Sasakian  $\eta$ -Einstein  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold.

From (3.23) and (4.31), we see that a non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is  $\eta$ -Einstein if and only if  $\mu = -2(n-1)$ . In this case Ricci tensor is given by

$$(4.32) \quad S = 2(n^2 - 1)g - 2(n^2 - n\kappa - 1)\eta \otimes \eta.$$

Putting  $\mu = -2(n-1)$  in (3.24), we get

$$(4.33) \quad r = 2n(\kappa + 2(n-1)(n+1)).$$

A 3-dimensional contact metric manifold is  $\eta$ -Einstein if and only if it is an  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold [7]. More precisely, in a 3-dimensional  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold, it follows that

$$(4.34) \quad S = \left(\frac{r}{2} - \kappa\right)g + \left(3\kappa - \frac{r}{2}\right)\eta \otimes \eta.$$

Now, we provide a proof of Theorem 1.3 as follows:

**Proof of Theorem 1.3.** From (3.17), we get

$$(4.35) \quad \begin{aligned} S(Z(\xi, X)Y, \xi) &= 4n(1-n)\kappa g(hX, Y) \\ &+ 2n\kappa \left(\kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}\right) (g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)). \end{aligned}$$

In view of (4.32) and (3.18), we get

$$(4.36) \quad \begin{aligned} S(Z(\xi, X)\xi, Y) &= 4(n-1)(n^2-1)g(hX, Y) \\ &- 2(n^2-1) \left(\kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}\right) (g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)). \end{aligned}$$

If  $M$  satisfies  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , from (4.35), (4.36) and (3.21), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= S(Z(\xi, X)Y, \xi) + S(Z(\xi, X)\xi, Y) \\ &= 2(1+n\kappa-n^2) \left(\kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}\right) (g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) \\ &- 4(n-1)(1+n\kappa-n^2)g(hX, Y). \end{aligned}$$

Contracting the above equation and using  $\text{trace}(h) = 0$ , we get

$$4n(1+n\kappa-n^2) \left(\kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)}\right) = 0.$$

In view of (4.33),  $\kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} = 0$  is equivalent to  $\kappa = \frac{n^2-1}{n}$ , which is equivalent to  $1+n\kappa-n^2 = 0$ . In this case  $M^{2n+1}$  reduces to an Einstein manifold. Therefore in view of Theorem 1.2,  $M^{2n+1}$  is flat and 3-dimensional. The converse is straightforward.  $\square$

Finally, we prove Theorem 1.4.

**Proof of Theorem 1.4.** Let  $M$  be a  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -manifold satisfying  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ . We have the following four possible cases.



**Case I.**  $\kappa = 0 = \mu$ . From (3.9) we have  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$ . Thus, in view of Theorem 3.5,  $M$  satisfies the statement **(a)**.

**Case II.**  $\kappa \neq 0 = \mu$ . Using  $\mu = 0$  in (3.20), we have

$$(4.37) \quad \left( \kappa - \frac{r}{2n(2n+1)} \right) (S(X, Y) - 2n\kappa g(X, Y)) = 0.$$

Therefore, either  $r = 2n(2n+1)\kappa$  or  $S = 2n\kappa g$ . In the second case  $M^{2n+1}$  reduces to an Einstein manifold. Therefore in view of Theorem 1.2, we have either the statement **(a)** or the statement **(c)**.

If  $r = 2n(2n+1)\kappa$ , we note from (3.24) that the scalar curvature of an  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold is  $r = 2n(2n-2+\kappa)$ . Comparing gives  $\kappa = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$  and hence  $M$  is locally isometric to the Example 2.1 for  $n > 1$  and to the flat case if  $n = 1$ . This is the statement **(b)**. Conversely it is straightforward to check that when  $\kappa = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ ,  $QX = 2(n-1)(X + hX)$  and in turn  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ .

**Case III.**  $\kappa = 0 \neq \mu$ .

**Case IIIa.**  $\kappa = 0 \neq \mu$  and  $n = 1$ . Using  $\kappa = 0$  and  $n = 1$  in (3.23), (3.20), (3.25) we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(X, Y) &= -\mu(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) + \mu g(hX, Y), \\ rS(X, Y) &= 6\mu S(hX, Y), \\ S(hX, Y) &= -\mu g(hX, Y) + \mu(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) \end{aligned}$$

respectively. From the above three relations, we get  $\left(\frac{r}{6\mu} + 1\right)S(X, Y) = 0$ . Either  $\frac{r}{6\mu} + 1 = 0$  or  $S = 0$ . If  $\frac{r}{6\mu} + 1 = 0$ , then  $r = -6\mu$ . Putting  $\kappa = 0$  and  $n = 1$  in (3.24), we get  $r = -2\mu$ . Thus  $\frac{r}{6\mu} + 1 = 0$  is not possible. If  $S = 0$ , then in view of Theorem 1.1, we get  $\mu = 0$ , which is a contradiction. Thus, the Case IIIa is not possible.

**Case IIIb.**  $\kappa = 0 \neq \mu$  and  $n > 1$ . Using  $\kappa = 0$  in (3.23), (3.20), (3.25) we get

$$\begin{aligned} S(X, Y) &= (2(n-1) - n\mu)(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) \\ &\quad + (2(n-1) + \mu)g(hX, Y), \\ rS(X, Y) &= 2n(2n+1)\mu S(hX, Y), \\ S(hX, Y) &= (2(n-1) - n\mu)g(hX, Y) \\ &\quad + (2(n-1) + \mu)(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) \end{aligned}$$

respectively. From the above three equations, we get

$$S(X, Y) = a(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y))$$

for some suitable  $a$ . Now, in view of Theorem 1.3, we see that the Case IIIb is also not possible.

**Case IV.**  $\kappa \neq 0 \neq \mu$ .

**Case IVa.**  $\kappa \neq 0 \neq \mu$  and  $n = 1$ . Putting  $n = 1$  in (3.23), (3.20), (3.25), we get

$$S(X, Y) = -\mu g(X, Y) + \mu g(hX, Y) + (2\kappa + \mu)\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

$$\left(\kappa - \frac{r}{6}\right) S(X, Y) = 2\kappa \left(\kappa - \frac{r}{6}\right) g(X, Y) + 2\kappa\mu g(hX, Y) - \mu S(hX, Y),$$

$$S(hX, Y) = -\mu g(hX, Y) - (\kappa - 1)\mu g(X, Y) + (\kappa - 1)\mu \eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

respectively. Eliminating  $g(hX, Y)$  and  $S(hX, Y)$  from the above three equations, we have

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + b\eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

for some suitable  $a$  and  $b$ . Thus,  $M$  is an  $\eta$ -Einstein manifold. Since in the  $\eta$ -Einstein case  $\mu = -2(n-1)$ , therefore for  $n = 1$ , we get  $\mu = 0$ , which is a contradiction. Thus the Case IVa is not possible.

**Case IVb.**  $\kappa \neq 0 \neq \mu$  and  $n > 1$ . After eliminating  $g(hX, Y)$  and  $S(hX, Y)$  from (3.23), (3.20) and (3.25); we get  $S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + b\eta(X)\eta(Y)$ , for some suitable  $a$  and  $b$ . Hence, in view of Theorem 1.3, the Case IVb also does not exist. Thus the proof is complete.  $\square$

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