

SASAKIAN MANIFOLDS
WITH VANISHING CONTACT BOCHNER CURVATURE TENSOR
AND CONSTANT SCALAR CURVATURE

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As a complex analogue to the Weyl conformal curvature tensor, Bochner [1] (see also Yano and Bochner [18]) introduced the so-called Bochner curvature tensor using a complex local coordinate system. The Bochner curvature tensor with respect to a real coordinate system has been given by Tachibana [13]. In [19], Yano and Ishihara proved the following

THEOREM A. *Let M be a Kählerian manifold of real dimension n with constant scalar curvature whose Bochner curvature tensor vanishes and whose Ricci tensor is positive semi-definite. If M is compact, then the universal covering manifold is a complex projective space $CP^{n/2}$ or a complex space $C^{n/2}$.*

For a Kähler manifold having the vanishing Bochner curvature tensor and constant scalar curvature, Matsumoto and Tanno [10] proved important theorems (see also Matsumoto [8]).

In Sasakian manifolds, Matsumoto and Chūman [9] defined the contact Bochner curvature tensor, which is constructed from the Bochner curvature tensor by the fibering of Boothby and Wang [2] (see also Yano [16]). Recently, the contact Bochner curvature tensor was studied by Ikawa [4] and Yano [16], [17] in the theory of submanifolds.

The purpose of this paper is to study a Sasakian manifold with vanishing contact Bochner curvature tensor and constant scalar curvature.

1. Sasakian manifolds. In this section we would like to recall definition and some fundamental properties of a Sasakian manifold.

Let M be a $(2n+1)$ -dimensional differentiable manifold of class C^∞ , and let φ , ξ and η be a tensor field of type $(1, 1)$, a vector field and a 1-form on M , respectively, such that

$$(1.1) \quad \varphi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad \varphi\xi = 0, \quad \eta(\varphi X) = 0, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1$$

for any vector field X on M . Then M is said to have an *almost contact structure* (φ, ξ, η) and is called an *almost contact manifold*. The almost contact structure is said to be *normal* if $N + d\eta \otimes \xi = 0$, where N denotes the Nijenhuis tensor formed with φ , and $d\eta$ is the differential of the 1-form η . If a Riemannian metric tensor field \langle, \rangle is given on M and satisfies

$$(1.2) \quad \langle \varphi X, \varphi Y \rangle = \langle X, Y \rangle - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad \eta(X) = \langle X, \xi \rangle$$

for any vector fields X and Y , then a $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \langle, \rangle)$ -structure is called an *almost contact metric structure*, and M is called an *almost contact metric manifold*. If $d\eta(X, Y) = \langle \varphi X, Y \rangle$, then an almost contact metric structure is called a *contact metric structure*. If, moreover, the structure is normal, then a contact metric structure is called a *Sasakian structure*, and a manifold with Sasakian structure is called a *Sasakian manifold*. It is well known that in a Sasakian manifold with structure $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \langle, \rangle)$ we have

$$(1.3) \quad \nabla_X \xi = \varphi X, \quad (\nabla_X \varphi)Y = \eta(Y)X - \langle X, Y \rangle \xi = R(X, \xi)Y,$$

where ∇ denotes the covariant differentiation in M , and R denotes the Riemannian curvature tensor of M .

In the following, let M be a Sasakian manifold with structure tensors $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \langle, \rangle)$ of dimension $m+1$, where we have put $m = 2n$. Let S denote the Ricci tensor of M . Then we have

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} S(X, \xi) &= m\eta(X), & S(\varphi X, \varphi Y) &= S(X, Y) - m\eta(X)\eta(Y), \\ S(\varphi X, Y) &= -S(X, \varphi Y). \end{aligned}$$

We denote by Q the Ricci operator of M defined by $\langle QX, Y \rangle = S(X, Y)$. Then equations (1.4) imply

$$(1.5) \quad Q\xi = m\xi, \quad Q\varphi X = \varphi QX.$$

The Ricci tensor S of a Sasakian manifold M satisfies (see [7], and (1.2) in [9])

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \nabla_Z(S)(X, Y) &= \nabla_X(S)(Y, Z) + \nabla_{\varphi X}(S)(\varphi Y, Z) + \eta(X)S(\varphi Y, Z) \\ &\quad + 2\eta(Y)S(\varphi X, Z) - m\eta(X)\langle \varphi Y, Z \rangle - 2m\eta(Y)\langle \varphi X, Z \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

If the Ricci tensor S of M is of the form

$$S(X, Y) = a\langle X, Y \rangle + b\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

where a and b are constants, then M is called an *η -Einstein manifold*.

A plane section in the tangent space $T_x(M)$ at x of a Sasakian manifold M is called a *φ -section* if it is spanned by a vector X orthogonal to ξ and φX . The sectional curvature $K(X, \varphi X)$ with respect to a φ -section determined by a vector X is called a *φ -sectional curvature*. It is easily verified that if a Sasakian manifold has a φ -sectional curvature c which does not depend on the φ -section at each point, then c is a constant in the manifold. If a Sasakian manifold has the constant φ -sectional curva-

ture c , then the curvature tensor R of M is given by

$$(1.7) \quad R(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{4}(c+3)(\langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y) + \\ + \frac{1}{4}(c-1)(\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X + \langle X, Z \rangle \eta(Y)\xi - \langle Y, Z \rangle \eta(X)\xi + \\ + \langle \varphi Y, Z \rangle \varphi X + \langle \varphi Z, X \rangle \varphi Y - 2\langle \varphi X, Y \rangle \varphi Z).$$

2. Contact Bochner curvature tensor and Ricci tensor. Let M be an $(m+1)$ -dimensional ($m = 2n$) Sasakian manifold. Then the contact Bochner curvature tensor B of M is defined by

$$(2.1) \quad B(X, Y) = R(X, Y) + \frac{1}{m+4}(QY \wedge X - QX \wedge Y + Q\varphi Y \wedge \varphi X - \\ - Q\varphi X \wedge \varphi Y + 2\langle Q\varphi X, Y \rangle \varphi + 2\langle \varphi X, Y \rangle Q\varphi + \\ + \eta(Y)\varphi X \wedge \xi + \eta(X)\xi \wedge \varphi Y) - \frac{k+m}{m+4}(\varphi Y \wedge \varphi X - 2\langle \varphi X, Y \rangle \varphi) - \\ - \frac{k-4}{m+4}Y \wedge X + \frac{k}{m+4}(\eta(Y)\xi \wedge X + \eta(X)Y \wedge \xi),$$

where $k = (r+m)/(m+2)$, r denotes the scalar curvature of M , and $(X \wedge Y)Z = \langle Y, Z \rangle X - \langle X, Z \rangle Y$.

Definition. If the Ricci tensor S of a Sasakian manifold M satisfies $\nabla_X(S)(\varphi Y, \varphi Z) = 0$ for any vector fields X, Y and Z on M , then we say that the Ricci tensor S of M is η -parallel.

If the Ricci tensor S of M is η -parallel, then we have [7]

$$(2.2) \quad \nabla_X(S)(Y, Z) = m(\langle \varphi X, Y \rangle \eta(Z) + \langle \varphi X, Z \rangle \eta(Y)) + \\ + \eta(Y)S(X, \varphi Z) + \eta(Z)S(X, \varphi Y).$$

From (2.2) we see that if S is η -parallel, then the scalar curvature r and $\text{Tr}Q^2$, where Tr denotes the trace of the operator, are constant. Taking the covariant differentiation of (2.1) and contraction, we have the following (see [9], (2.4))

LEMMA 2.1. *Let M be a Sasakian manifold with constant scalar curvature. If the contact Bochner curvature tensor vanishes, then the Ricci tensor S of M is η -parallel.*

LEMMA 2.2 (Matsumo and Chūman [9]). *Let M be a Sasakian manifold with vanishing contact Bochner curvature tensor. If M is an η -Einstein manifold, then M is of constant φ -sectional curvature.*

LEMMA 2.3 (Kon [7]). *The Ricci tensor S of a Sasakian manifold M is η -parallel if and only if*

$$(2.3) \quad \langle \nabla Q, \nabla Q \rangle = 2\text{Tr}Q^2 + 2m^3 + 2m^2 - 4mr.$$

Proof. By using a φ -basis E_1, \dots, E_{m+1} ($E_{n+t} = \varphi E_t$, $E_{m+1} = \xi$), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.4) \quad \langle \nabla Q, \nabla Q \rangle &= \sum_{i,j=1}^{m+1} \langle \nabla_{E_i}(Q)E_j, \nabla_{E_i}(Q)E_j \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \sum_{j=1}^m \langle \nabla_{E_i}(Q)E_j, \nabla_{E_i}(Q)E_j \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \langle \nabla_{E_i}(Q)\xi, \nabla_{E_i}(Q)\xi \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \sum_{j=1}^m \langle \nabla_{E_i}(Q)\varphi E_j, \nabla_{E_i}(Q)\varphi E_j \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \langle \nabla_{E_i}(Q)\xi, \nabla_{E_i}(Q)\xi \rangle \\
 &= 2\text{Tr}Q^2 + 2m^3 + 2m^2 - 4mr + T,
 \end{aligned}$$

where we have put

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \sum_{j=1}^m \langle \varphi \nabla_{E_i}(Q)E_j, \varphi \nabla_{E_i}(Q)E_j \rangle.$$

On the other hand, we can easily see that the Ricci tensor S of M is η -parallel if and only if $T = 0$. Thus we have our assertion.

If we take a suitable φ -basis E_1, \dots, E_{m+1} ($\varphi E_t = E_{n+t}$, $E_{m+1} = \xi$), by using (1.4), the Ricci operator Q of M is represented by the matrix form

$$Q = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \lambda_m & \\ \hline & & & m \end{array} \right].$$

In the following, we put

$$H = \left[\begin{array}{ccc} \lambda_1 & & \\ & 0 & \\ & & \lambda_m \end{array} \right]$$

which is a symmetric (m, m) -matrix. Then we have

$$(2.5) \quad r = \text{Tr}Q = \text{Tr}H + m, \quad \text{Tr}Q^2 = \text{Tr}H^2 + m^2.$$

By (2.5) and Lemma 2.3, the Ricci tensor S is η -parallel if and only if

$$(2.6) \quad \langle \nabla Q, \nabla Q \rangle = 2\text{Tr}H^2 - 4m\text{Tr}H + 2m^3.$$

Now we define a $(1, 1)$ -tensor A of M by setting

$$AX = QX - aX - b\eta(X)\xi$$

for any vector field X on M , where a and b are constant such that $a + b = m$ and $r = (m + 1)a + b$. A Sasakian manifold M is an η -Einstein manifold if and only if $A = 0$. Moreover, by (2.5) we have

$$(2.7) \quad \text{Tr} A^2 = \text{Tr} H^2 - \frac{1}{m} (\text{Tr} H)^2 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i>j} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)^2.$$

Consequently, we see that M is η -Einstein if and only if $\lambda_i = \lambda_j$ for all i, j ($i, j = 1, \dots, m$).

In the next place, we prepare the following

LEMMA 2.4. *For a symmetric (m, m) -matrix H , we have*

$$(2.8) \quad \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq k} (\lambda_i + 2)(\lambda_i - \lambda_j)(\lambda_i - \lambda_k) \\ = \left[m \text{Tr} H^3 - \frac{2m-1}{m-1} \text{Tr} H \cdot \text{Tr} H^2 + \frac{1}{m-1} (\text{Tr} H)^3 \right] + \frac{2m(m-2)}{m-1} \text{Tr} A^2.$$

Proof. By a straightforward computation we have (cf. [19], Lemma 4)

$$\frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq k} \lambda_i (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)(\lambda_i - \lambda_k) \\ = m \text{Tr} H^3 - \frac{2m-1}{m-1} \text{Tr} H \cdot \text{Tr} H^2 + \frac{1}{m-1} (\text{Tr} H)^3.$$

On the other hand, we also have

$$\frac{2}{m-1} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq k} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)(\lambda_i - \lambda_k) = \frac{2m(m-2)}{m-1} \text{Tr} A^2.$$

From these equations we obtain (2.8).

In the sequel, we define the *contact Ricci tensor* L by setting

$$(2.9) \quad L(X, Y) = S(X, Y) + 2\langle X, Y \rangle - (m+2)\eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

for any vector fields X and Y on M . Clearly, L is symmetric. Putting $L(X, Y) = \langle GX, Y \rangle$, we define the *contact Ricci operator* G . For a suitable basis, G is represented by a matrix form

$$G = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \lambda_1 + 2 & 0 \\ \hline & \lambda_m + 2 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} H & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] + 2 \left[\begin{array}{c|c} I & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right],$$

where I denotes the identity matrix.

Remark. Let M be a regular Sasakian manifold of dimension $m + 1$. If M/ξ denotes the set of orbits of ξ , then M/ξ is a real m -dimensional Kähler manifold (cf. [2], [12], and [15]). Then there exists a fibering $\pi: M \rightarrow M/\xi$. Let X^* and Y^* be the horizontal lifts of X and Y , respectively, over M/ξ with respect to the connection η . Then the Ricci tensor S' of M/ξ is given by

$$(2.10) \quad (S'(X, Y))^* = S(X^*, Y^*) + 2\langle X^*, Y^* \rangle.$$

The horizontal space is spanned by $\{\varphi X: X \in T_x(M)\}$ at each point $x \in M$. If we consider

$$\begin{aligned} S(\varphi X, \varphi Y) + 2\langle \varphi X, \varphi Y \rangle &= S(X, Y) + 2\langle X, Y \rangle - (m+2)\eta(X)\eta(Y) \\ &= L(X, Y), \end{aligned}$$

by (1.2) and (1.4) we can see that the contact Ricci tensor L corresponds to the Ricci tensor S' of M/ξ . On the other hand, by (2.10) we see that the Ricci tensor S' of M/ξ is positive semi-definite (negative semi-definite) if and only if L is positive semi-definite (negative semi-definite), that is, all eigenvalues λ_i of the matrix H satisfy $\lambda_i \geq -2$ ($\lambda_i \leq -2$). And M/ξ is Einstein if and only if M is η -Einstein. Moreover, the Ricci tensor of M/ξ is parallel if and only if the Ricci tensor of M is η -parallel (see [7]).

In the following, put

$$(2.11) \quad P = m \operatorname{Tr} H^3 - \frac{2m-1}{m-1} \operatorname{Tr} H \cdot \operatorname{Tr} H^2 + \frac{1}{m-1} (\operatorname{Tr} H)^3 + \frac{2m(m-2)}{m-1} \operatorname{Tr} A^2.$$

Then we obtain

LEMMA 2.5. *If the contact Ricci operator G of a Sasakian manifold M is positive semi-definite (respectively, negative semi-definite), then $P \geq 0$ (respectively, $P \leq 0$).*

Proof. Let λ_i ($i = 1, \dots, m$) be eigenvalues of H . Then, by (2.8),

$$P = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq k} (\lambda_i + 2)(\lambda_i - \lambda_j)(\lambda_i - \lambda_k).$$

Let a_i ($i = 1, \dots, m$) be eigenvalues of G such that $a_i = \lambda_i + 2$ for all i . Then P is represented by

$$P = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_i \sum_{j \neq k} a_i(a_i - a_j)(a_i - a_k).$$

If G is negative semi-definite, i.e., $\alpha_i \leq 0$, we can put $\alpha_m \leq \dots \leq \alpha_2 \leq \alpha_1 \leq 0$. Then taking three arbitrary indices i, j and k such that $k < j < i$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_i(\alpha_i - \alpha_j)(\alpha_i - \alpha_k) + \alpha_j(\alpha_j - \alpha_i)(\alpha_j - \alpha_k) + \alpha_k(\alpha_k - \alpha_i)(\alpha_k - \alpha_j) \\ = \alpha_i(\alpha_i - \alpha_j)(\alpha_i - \alpha_k) + (\alpha_j - \alpha_k)^2(\alpha_j + \alpha_k - \alpha_i) \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if G is positive semi-definite, we have $P \geq 0$.

3. Theorems. Let M be an $(m+1)$ -dimensional Sasakian manifold with constant scalar curvature. First of all, we compute the (restricted) Laplacian for the Ricci tensor S of M (cf. [6], [7] and [19]).

By (1.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad \nabla^2(S)(X, Y) &= \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \nabla_{E_i} \nabla_{E_i}(S)(X, Y) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} [(R(E_i, X)S)(E_i, Y) + (R(E_i, \varphi Y)S)(E_i, \varphi X)] - 4S(X, Y) + \\ &\quad + 4m\langle X, Y \rangle + (3r - 3m^2 - 3m)\eta(X)\eta(Y). \end{aligned}$$

Taking a φ -basis $\{E_i\}$ ($\varphi E_i = E_{n+i}$, $E_{m+1} = \xi$), by (3.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.2) \quad \langle \nabla^2 Q, Q \rangle &= \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \nabla^2(S)(E_j, QE_j) = \sum_{j=1}^m \nabla^2(S)(E_j, QE_j) + \nabla^2(S)(\xi, Q\xi) \\ &= 2 \sum_{i,j=1}^m (R(E_i, E_j)S)(E_i, QE_j) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^m (R(\xi, E_j)S)(\xi, QE_j) - \\ &\quad - 4\text{Tr} H^2 + 4m\text{Tr} H + \nabla^2(S)(\xi, Q\xi). \end{aligned}$$

Now we assume that the contact Bochner curvature tensor of M vanishes. Then by (1.3), (1.4), (1.5), (2.1) and (2.5) we have the equations

$$\begin{aligned} (3.3) \quad 2 \sum_{i,j=1}^m (R(E_i, E_j)S)(E_i, QE_j) \\ = -2 \sum_{i,j=1}^m [S(R(E_i, E_j)E_i, QE_j) + S(E_i, R(E_i, E_j)QE_j)] \\ = \frac{2}{m+4} (m\text{Tr} H^3 - \text{Tr} H \cdot \text{Tr} H^2) + \frac{k-4}{m+4} [2m\text{Tr} H^2 - 2(\text{Tr} H)^2], \end{aligned}$$

where we have put $k = (\text{Tr} H + 2m)/(m+2)$,

$$(3.4) \quad 2 \sum_{j=1}^m (R(\xi, E_j)S)(\xi, QE_j) = 2\text{Tr} H^2 - 2m\text{Tr} H,$$

$$(3.5) \quad \nabla^2(S)(\xi, Q\xi) = 2m\text{Tr} H - 2m^3.$$

Substituting (3.3), (3.4) and (3.5) into (3.2), we obtain

$$(3.6) \quad \langle \nabla^2 Q, Q \rangle = \frac{2}{m+4} (m \operatorname{Tr} H^3 - \operatorname{Tr} H \cdot \operatorname{Tr} H^2) - \\ - \frac{k-4}{m+4} [m \operatorname{Tr} H^2 - 2(\operatorname{Tr} H)^2] - 2 \operatorname{Tr} H^2 + 4m \operatorname{Tr} H - 2m^3.$$

On the other hand, by the assumptions, the Ricci tensor S of M is η -parallel. Then $\operatorname{Tr} Q^2$ is a constant. Therefore, by (2.6), we obtain

$$(3.7) \quad \langle \nabla^2 Q, Q \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \operatorname{Tr} Q^2 - \langle \nabla Q, \nabla Q \rangle = -\langle \nabla Q, \nabla Q \rangle \\ = -2 \operatorname{Tr} H^2 + 4m \operatorname{Tr} H - 2m^3.$$

By (3.6) and (3.7) we have

$$(3.8) \quad \frac{2m}{m+4} \operatorname{Tr} H^3 - \frac{4(m+1)}{(m+2)(m+4)} \operatorname{Tr} H \cdot \operatorname{Tr} H^2 + \\ + \frac{2}{(m+2)(m+4)} (\operatorname{Tr} H)^3 + \frac{4m}{m+2} \operatorname{Tr} H^2 - \frac{4}{m+2} (\operatorname{Tr} H)^2 = 0.$$

Using (2.8) and (2.11), we can rewrite equation (3.8) in the form of (3.9):

LEMMA 3.1. *Let M be an $(m+1)$ -dimensional Sasakian manifold with constant scalar curvature. If the contact Bochner curvature tensor of M vanishes, then*

$$(3.9) \quad P + \frac{3m}{(m-1)(m+2)} \operatorname{Tr} G \cdot \operatorname{Tr} A^2 = 0,$$

where G is the contact Ricci operator and $\operatorname{Tr} G = \operatorname{Tr} H + 2m$.

THEOREM 1. *Let M be an $(m+1)$ -dimensional Sasakian manifold with constant scalar curvature and vanishing contact Bochner curvature tensor. If the contact Ricci tensor of M is positive semi-definite or negative semi-definite, then M is of constant φ -sectional curvature.*

Proof. Let us assume that the contact Ricci tensor of M is positive semi-definite. Then Lemma 2.5 shows that $P \geq 0$. On the other hand, $\operatorname{Tr} G \geq 0$. If $\operatorname{Tr} G = 0$, by the assumption we have $G = 0$, and hence M is η -Einstein. If $\operatorname{Tr} G \neq 0$, by (3.9) we must have $\operatorname{Tr} A^2 = 0$, and hence M is η -Einstein. Therefore, Lemma 2.2 shows that M is of constant φ -sectional curvature. Similarly, if G is negative semi-definite, we have $P \leq 0$

and $\text{Tr}G \leq 0$, and M is an η -Einstein manifold. Thus M is of constant φ -sectional curvature.

Remark. For Theorem A, we can see the following

THEOREM 2. *Let M be a real m -dimensional Kähler manifold with constant scalar curvature and vanishing Bochner curvature tensor. If the Ricci tensor of M is positive semi-definite or negative semi-definite, then M is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature.*

Proof. By the assumptions we see that the Ricci tensor of M is parallel (see Matsumoto [8]). Therefore, using equation (3.4) in Yano and Ishihara [19], we have our assertion by the quite similar method to that in the proof of Theorem 1.

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