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# On Semi-Invariant Submanifolds of Trans-Sasakian Finsler Manifolds

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#### Abstract

Keywords: Trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold, Semi-invariant submanifold, Totally geodesic, Totally umbilical 2010 AMS: 53C25, 58B20, 58A30 Received: 12 October 2018 Accepted: 29 November 2018 Available online: 25 December 2018 We define trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $\bar{F}^{2n+1} = (\bar{\mathcal{N}}, \bar{\mathcal{N}}', \bar{F})$  and semi-invariant submanifold  $F^m = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{N}', F)$  of a trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $\bar{F}^{2n+1}$ . Then we study mixed totally geodesic and totally umbilical semi-invariant submanifolds of trans Sasakian Finsler manifold.

# 1. Introduction

Oubina [1] introduced trans-Sasakian manifolds that reduced to  $\alpha$ -Sasakian and  $\beta$ -Kenmotsu manifolds, in 1985. Then, trans-Sasakian manifolds are studied by many geometers like in [2]. Besides, Kobayashi studied semi-invariant submanifolds for a certain class of almost contact manifolds in [3] in 1986. Afterwards, semi invariant submanifolds of several structures are discussed like nearly trans-Sasakian and nearly Kenmotsu manifolds in [4], in 2004 and in [5], in 2009. Also, Shahid got some fundamental results on almost semi-invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian manifolds in [6], in 1993. Besides, Shahid et al. discussed submersion and cohomology class of semi-invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian manifolds in [7], in 2013.

B.B. Sinha and R. K. Yadav introduced almost Sasakian Finsler manifold and determined the set of all almost Sasakian Finsler *h*-connection on almost Sasakian Finsler manifold [8], In 1991. Then Yaliniz and Caliskan studied Sasakian Finsler manifolds in [9] in 2013. In this paper, we discussed mixed totally geodesic and totally umbilical semi- invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifolds.

## 2. Trans-Sasakian Finsler manifolds

**Definition 2.1.** Suppose that  $\overline{\mathcal{N}}$  be an (2n+1)-dimensional Finsler manifold. Then an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi^V, \eta^V, \xi^V, G^V)$  on  $(\overline{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$  is called trans-Sasakian Finsler if the following relation is satisfied:

$$2(\bar{\nabla}_X^V\phi)Y^V = \alpha \left\{ G^V(X^V,Y^V)\xi^V - \eta^V\left(Y^V\right)X^V \right\} + \beta \left\{ G^V(\phi X^V,Y^V)\xi^V - \eta^V\left(Y^V\right)\phi X^V \right\}$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are functions on  $(\overline{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$ ,  $\overline{\nabla}$  is the Finsler connection with respect to  $G^{V}$ . So,  $(\overline{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$  is called trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold.

#### 2.1. Semi-invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifolds

**Definition 2.2.** An *m*-dimensional Finsler submanifold  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  of a trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$  is called a semi-invariant submanifold if  $\xi^{V} \in V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'$  and there exist on  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$  a pair of orthogonal distribution  $(D, D^{\perp})$  such that

 $\begin{array}{l} (i) \ V \mathscr{N}' = D \oplus D^{\perp} \oplus \left\{ \xi^{\overline{V}} \right\} \\ (ii) \ \phi D_{(u,v)} = D_{(u,v)}, \ \forall (u,v) \in (\mathscr{N}')^{v}, \forall u \in \mathscr{N} \end{array}$ 

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(iii)  $\phi\left(D_{(u,v)}^{\perp}\right) \subset \left(V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'\right)^{\perp}$  for all  $(u,v) \in (\mathcal{N}')^v$ , for tangential space  $V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'$  and normal space  $\left(V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'\right)^{\perp}$  of  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$  at V with the following decomposition :

$$V_{(x,v)}\bar{\mathcal{N}}' = (V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}') \oplus (V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}')^{\perp}$$

The distribution D (resp.  $D^{\perp}$ ) is called the horizontal (resp. vertical) distribution. A semi-invariant Finsler submanifold  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is said to be an invariant (resp. anti-invariant) submanifold if we have  $D_{(u,v)}^{\perp} = \{0\}$  (resp.  $D_{(u,v)} = \{0\}$ ) for each  $(u,v) \in (\mathcal{N}')^{v}$ . We also call  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  proper if neither D nor  $D^{\perp}$  is null. It is easy to check that each hypersurface of  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  which is tangent to  $\xi^{V}$  inherits a structure of semi-invariant Finsler submanifold of  $(\mathcal{N}')^{v}$ .

We denote by G the metric tensor field of  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$  as well as that induced on  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$ . Let  $\bar{\nabla}$  be a Finsler connection on  $\bar{F}^{2n+1} = (\bar{\mathcal{N}}, \bar{\mathcal{N}}', \bar{F})$ . Thus  $\nabla$  is a Finsler connection on  $F^m = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{N}', F)$  which we call the induced Finsler connection. Also B is an  $\mathfrak{I}(\mathcal{N}')$ -bilinear mapping on  $\Gamma(V\mathcal{N}') \times \Gamma(V\mathcal{N}')$  and  $\Gamma(V\mathcal{N}'^{\perp})$ -valued, which we call the second fundamental form of  $F^m$ . Using *B* define the  $\mathfrak{I}(\mathcal{N}')$ -bilinear mapping:

$$h^V: \Gamma(V\mathscr{N}') \times \Gamma(V\mathscr{N}') \to \Gamma(V\mathscr{N}')^{\perp}$$

$$h(X^V, Y^V) = B(X^V, Y^V)$$

for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\mathcal{N}')$ . We call  $h^V$  the v-second fundamental form of  $F^m = (\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{N}', F)$ . From Gauss formula we get;

$$\bar{\nabla}_X^V Y^V = \nabla_X^V Y^V + h^V (X^V, Y^V) \tag{2.1}$$

for any  $X, Y \in \Gamma(T \mathcal{N}').(X^V, Y^V \in \Gamma(V \mathcal{N}')).$ Now, for any  $X \in \Gamma(T \mathcal{N}')$  and  $N \in \Gamma(V \mathcal{N}'^{\perp})$ , we set

$$\bar{\nabla}_X N = -A_N X + \nabla_X^\perp N \tag{2.2}$$

where  $A_N X \in \Gamma(V \mathscr{N}')$  and  $\nabla_X^{\perp} N \in \Gamma(V \mathscr{N}') \perp$ . It follows that  $\nabla^{\perp}$  is a linear connection on the Finsler normal bundle  $(V \mathscr{N}')^{\perp}$  of  $F^m$ . Therefore  $\nabla^{\perp}$  is a vectorial Finsler connection on  $V \mathcal{N}^{\perp}$ . We call the normal Finsler connection with respect to  $\overline{\nabla}$ .

$$A^{V}: \Gamma(V\mathscr{N}'\bot) \times \Gamma(V\mathscr{N}') \to \Gamma(V\mathscr{N}')$$

$$A^V(N^V, X^V) = A_{N^V} X^V$$

is an  $\mathfrak{I}(\mathcal{N}')$  – bilinear mapping for any  $N^V \in \Gamma(V \mathcal{N}'^{\perp})$ . We call  $A_N$  the shape operator (the Weingarten operator) with respect to  $N^V$ . As in the case of the second fundamental form, by means of A we define for any  $N^V \in \Gamma(V\mathcal{N}') \perp$  the  $\mathfrak{I}(\mathcal{N}')$  linear mappings;

$$A_N^V: \Gamma(V\mathcal{N}') \to \Gamma(V\mathcal{N}')$$

$$A_N^V X^V = A_{N^V} X^V$$

and call the v-shape operator. Thus from the Weingarten formula we deduce that

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abla}_{X^V}N^V = -A^V_NX^V + 
abla^{\perp}_{X^V}N^V$$

for any  $X \in \Gamma(T\mathcal{N}')$   $X^V \in \Gamma(V\mathcal{N}')$  and  $N^V \in \Gamma(V\mathcal{N}'^{\perp})$ . Moreover we have

$$G(h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}), N^{V}) = G(A_{N}^{V}X^{V}, Y^{V})$$
(2.3)

for a vector field  $X^V \in V \mathcal{N}'$ . We put

$$X^{V} = PX^{V} + QX^{V} + \eta^{V} \left( X^{V} \right) \xi^{V}$$
(2.4)

where  $PX^V$  and  $QX^V$  belong to the distribution D and  $D^{\perp}$  respectively. For any vector field  $N^V \in \Gamma(V \mathscr{N}' \perp)$ , we put

$$\phi N^V = f N^V + q N^V$$

where  $fN^V$  (resp.  $qN^V$ ) denotes the tangential (resp. normal) component of  $\phi N^V$ .

## 3. Mixed totally geodesic semi-invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifolds

**Definition 3.1.** A semi-invariant Finsler submanifold is said to be mixed totally geodesic if  $h(X^V, Z^V) = 0$  for all  $X^V \in D$  and  $Z^V \in D^{\perp}$ . **Theorem 3.2.** Let  $(\mathcal{N}')v$  be a semi-invariant submanifold of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $(\mathcal{N}')v$ . Then

$$P\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) - PA_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V} + \phi PA_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} = 0$$
(3.1)

$$Q\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) - QA_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V} - f\nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V} = 0$$
(3.2)

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, fN^{V}) + \nabla^{\perp}_{X^{V}}(qN^{V}) + \phi QA^{V}_{N^{V}}X^{V} - q\nabla^{\perp}_{X^{V}}N^{V} = 0$$
(3.3)

 $\forall X^V \in D \text{ and } \forall N^V \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathcal{N}'^{\perp}).$ 

Proof.

$$\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(\phi N^{V}) = \bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(f N^{V} + q N^{V}) = \bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(f N^{V}) + \bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(q N^{V})$$
(3.4)

All  $N^V \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp}), \forall X^V \in D.$ For  $fN \in V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'$ , we have from (2.1)

$$\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) = \nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) + h^{V}(X^{V}, fN^{V})$$
(3.5)

for  $qN \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathcal{N}'^{\perp})$ ; we have from (2.2)

$$\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(qN^{V}) = -A^{V}_{qN^{V}}X^{V} + \nabla^{\perp}_{X^{V}}(qN^{V})$$
(3.6)

By using (3.5) and (3.6) in (3.4), we get

$$\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(\phi N^{V}) = \nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) + h^{V}(X^{V}, fN^{V}) - A^{V}_{qN^{V}}X^{V} + \nabla^{\perp}_{X^{V}}(qN^{V})$$
(3.7)

where  $\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) \in \left(V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'\right)$  and  $A_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V} \in \left(V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'\right)$ , We have from (2.3)  $\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) = P\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) + Q\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) + \eta^{V}(\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}))\xi^{V}$ (3.8)

and

$$A_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V} = PA_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V} + QA_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V} + \eta^{V}(A_{qN^{V}}^{V}X^{V})\xi^{V}$$
(3.9)

by using (3.8) and (3.9) in (3.7) we obtain

$$\begin{split} \bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(\phi N^{V}) &= (\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}\phi)N^{V} + \phi(\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}N^{V}) \\ &= P\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) + Q\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}) + \eta^{V}(\nabla_{X^{V}}(fN^{V}))\xi^{V} \\ &+ h^{V}(X^{V}, fN^{V}) - PA^{V}_{qN^{V}}X^{V} - QA^{V}_{qN^{V}}X^{V} \\ &- \eta(A^{V}_{aN^{V}}X^{V})\xi^{V} + \nabla^{\perp}_{X^{V}}(qN^{V}) \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} (\bar{\nabla}_{X^V}\phi)N^V &= & \frac{\alpha}{2}\left\{G(X^V,N^V)\xi^V - \eta^V(N^V)X^V\right\} \\ &+ \frac{\beta}{2}\left\{G(\phi X^V,N^V)\xi^V - \eta^V(N^V)\phi X^V\right\} \end{split}$$

Since  $G(X^V, N^V) = 0 = G(N^V, \xi^V) = G(\phi X^V, N^V)$ , we get  $(\bar{\nabla}_X \phi) N = 0$ . Thus, we using (2.3) and (2.4) from (3.10) then we obtain

$$\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}(\phi N^{V}) = \phi(\bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}N^{V}) = \phi(-A_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} + \bar{\nabla}_{X^{V}}^{\perp N^{V}})$$

$$= -\phi A_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} + \phi \nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V}$$

$$= -\phi P A_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} - \phi Q \phi A_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} + f \nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V} + q \nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V}$$
(3.10)

where  $A_N \in V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'$  and  $\nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$ . By separating the components of  $D D^{\perp}$  and  $(V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$  from (3.10) and (3.10) we get (3.1),(3.2) and (3.3).

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  be a semi-invariant submanifold of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}'})^{\nu}$ . Then the following propositions are equivalent:

(a)  $(\mathcal{N}')^{v}$  is a totally geodesic.

(b)  $\nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \in \phi D^{\perp}$  and D is invariant with respect to  $A_N^V$  (all  $N^V \in \phi D^{\perp}$ ), that is  $\nabla_D^{\perp}(\phi D^{\perp}) \subset \phi D^{\perp}$  and  $A_{\phi D^{\perp}}^V D \subset D$ .

*Proof.* From (2.4) we know that,

$$\phi N^V = f N^V = Y^V$$
, all  $Y^V \in D^{\perp}, N \in \phi D^{\perp} \subset (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$ 

by using (3.2) from (3.3) we have

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) + \nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}(qN^{V}) - \phi QA_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} - q\nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V} = 0$$
(3.11)

where, since  $Y^V \in D^{\perp}$ ,  $N \in \phi D^{\perp}$ , we can write  $qN^V = 0$ . Thus from (3.11) we have

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) = q \nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp} N^{V} - \phi Q A_{N^{V}}^{V} X^{V}$$

$$(3.12)$$

Now, suppose that  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  a total geodesic. Because of  $h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) = 0$ ,  $\forall X^{V} \in D$  and  $Y^{V} \in D^{\perp}$ , from (3.12) we get

$$0 = q \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V - \phi Q A_{N^V}^V X^V$$

where  $A_{N^V}^V X^V \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$ ,  $QA_{N^V}^V X^V \in D^{\perp}$  and  $\phi QA_{N^V}^V X^V \in \phi D^{\perp} \subset (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$ . If  $q \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \in \phi D^{\perp}$ , it must be  $\phi N^V = f N^V = Y^V \in D^{\perp}$ ,  $\forall N^V \in \phi D^{\perp}$ . Thus we have  $\phi(q \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V) \in D^{\perp}$ . Also from (2.4) we can write

$$\phi \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V = f \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V + q \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V, \nabla_X^{\perp} N \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$$

if we apply  $\phi$  on both sides of the equation we get

$$-\nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V = \phi(f \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V) + \phi(q \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V)$$
(3.13)

where if  $f \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \in D^{\perp} \subset V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'$ , then it means  $\phi f \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \in \phi D^{\perp} \subset (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$ . In equation (3.13), since  $\nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$ and  $\phi (f \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V) \in \phi D^{\perp}$ , it means that  $\phi (q \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V) \notin D^{\perp} . (\phi (q \nabla_X^{\perp} N) \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp}))$ . If  $f \nabla_{X^V}^{\perp} N^V \notin D^{\perp}$ , then  $\phi (f \nabla_X^{\perp} N) \in V \mathscr{N}'_v$ , while  $\nabla_X^{\perp} N \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$  and  $\phi (f \nabla_X^{\perp} N) \in V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{Y}'$  either  $\phi (q \nabla_X^{\perp} N) \in (V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'^{\perp})$  or  $\phi (q \nabla_X^{\perp} N) \in V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'$ . If  $\phi (q \nabla_X^{\perp} N) \in V_{(u,v)} \mathscr{N}'$ , we get the following contradiction

$$\phi(q\nabla_X^{\perp}N) = \phi(f\nabla_X^{\perp}N) \tag{3.14}$$

 $q \nabla_X^{\perp} N = f \nabla_X^{\perp} N$ 

In that case  $\phi(q\nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V}) \notin V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}' \ (\notin D^{\perp})$ . Thus we get  $q\nabla_{X}^{\perp}N \in \left(V_{(u,v)}\mathcal{N}'^{\perp} - \phi D^{\perp}\right)$  in (3.14). Since  $q\nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V} \in \left\{(VM_{v}^{\prime\perp}) - \phi D^{\perp}\right\}$  and  $\phi QA_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} \in \phi D^{\perp}$ , it must be  $q\nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V} = 0$  and  $\phi QA_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} = 0$ . Since  $q\nabla_{X^{V}}^{\perp}N^{V} = 0$ , it means that  $\nabla_{X}^{\perp}N \in \phi D^{\perp}$  and since  $QA_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} = 0$ , then  $A_{N^{V}}^{V}X^{V} \in D$ . Thus we get  $\nabla_{D}^{\perp}\phi D^{\perp}$  and  $A_{\phi D^{\perp}}D \subset D$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  be a semi-invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}}')^{\nu}$ . If  $\beta \neq 0$ , then each  $M'^{\perp}_{\nu}$  leaf of  $D^{\perp}$  is not totally geodesic at  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $((\mathscr{N}')^{\nu})^{\perp}$  is totally geodesic in  $(\mathscr{N}')^{\nu}$ . Then  $\nabla_{X^{V}}Y^{V} \in D^{\perp}$ , for each  $X^{V}, Y^{V} \in D^{\perp}$  or equivalent to  $G(\nabla_{X^{V}}Y^{V}, Z^{V}) = 0$ , for each  $Z^{V} \in D \oplus \{\xi^{V}\}$ . Using the

$$abla_Y^V \xi^V = \frac{\beta}{2} Y^V \text{ and } h^V(Y^V, \xi^V) = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \phi Y^V$$

we get

$$G(\nabla_{X^V}Y^V,\xi^V) = -G(Y^V,\nabla_{X^V}\xi^V) = -G(Y^V,\frac{\beta}{2}X^V) = -\frac{\beta}{2}G(Y^V,X^V)$$

Thus, we find the following contradiction

$$0 = G(\nabla_{X^V} X^V, \xi^V) = -\frac{\beta}{2} G(X^V, X^V)$$

That is,  $((\mathcal{N}')^{\nu})^{\perp}$  is not total geodesic at  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$ .

### 4. Totally umbilical semi-invariant submanifolds of trans- Sasakian Finsler manifolds

**Definition 4.1.**  $\forall X^V, Y^V \in V \mathcal{N}' \text{ and } N^V \in V \mathcal{N}'^{\perp}$ (1) If  $A_{N^V}^V = aI$  (for  $a \in \mathfrak{I}(\mathcal{N}')^v$ ),  $N^V$  is called umbilical section of  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$ . (2) If  $N^V$  is umbilical section of  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$  then  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$  is umbilical with respect to  $N^V$ . (3) If  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$  is umbilical for each  $N^V \in V_{(u,v)} \mathcal{N}'^{\perp}$  then  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$  is called totally umbilical submanifold of  $(\mathcal{N}')^v$ . (4) Suppose that  $\{E_1^V, ..., E_m^W\}$  orthonormal base of  $V_{(u,v)} \mathcal{N}'$ . Then

$$H = \frac{1}{m} i z(h_{(u,v)}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} h^{V}(E_{i}^{V}, E_{i}^{V})$$

is called mean curvature vector of  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  at  $u \in (\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$ .

If  $\{E_{m+1}^V, ..., E_{2n+1}^V\}$  is orthonormal base of  $V_{(u,v)} \mathcal{N}'^{\perp}$ , then we can write

$$H = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} iz(A_a^V) E_a^V, A_a^V = A_{E_a^V}^V$$
(4.1)

Let  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  be a semi-invariant submanifold of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}'})^{\nu}$ . Since

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) = \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} G(h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}), E_{a}^{V}) E_{a}^{V}$$

and

$$G(h^V(X^V, Y^V), E_a^V) = G(A_{E_a^V}^V X^V, Y^V)$$

we have

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) = \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} G(A_{E_{a}^{V}}^{V}X^{V}, Y^{V})E_{a}^{V}$$

Since  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is totally umbilical submanifold of  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}'})^{\nu}$ , we have

$$A_{E_a^V}^V X^V = C_a X^V, \ C_a \in \mathfrak{I}(\mathscr{N}')^v \tag{4.2}$$

Thus we get

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) = \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} G(C_{a}X^{V}, Y^{V})E_{a}^{V}$$
  
$$= \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} C_{a}G(X^{V}, Y^{V})E_{a}^{V}$$
  
$$= G(X^{V}, Y^{V}) \left(\sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} C_{a}E_{a}^{V}\right)$$
(4.3)

by using (4.1) and (4.2), we get

$$H = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} iz(A_{E_a}^V) E_a^V = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} iz(C_a I) E_a^V$$
$$= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} (mC_a) E_a^V = \sum_{a=m+1}^{2n+1} C_a E_a^V$$
(4.4)

from (4.3) and (4.4) we obtain

$$h^{V}(X^{V}, Y^{V}) = G(X^{V}, Y^{V})H$$
(4.5)

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  be a semi-invariant submanifolds of trans-Sasakian Finsler manifold  $(\bar{\mathcal{N}'})^{\nu}$ . Then (a)  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is a totally geodesic. (b) If  $\alpha \neq 0$  for every point of  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$ , then  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is an invariant submanifold, that is  $D^{\perp} = 0$ .

*Proof.* For  $X^V = \xi^V$ , from (3.1) we get  $\bar{\nabla}_{\xi^V} \xi^V = 0$ . Later, we take  $\xi^V$  instead of  $X^V$  and  $Y^V$  from (2.1), we obtain

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abla}_{\xi^V}\xi^V=
abla_{\xi^V}\xi^V+h^V(\xi^V,\xi^V)$$

since  $\bar{\nabla}_{\xi^V} \xi^V = 0$ , we have

$$0 = \nabla_{\xi^V} \xi^V + h^V(\xi^V, \xi^V)$$

that is  $\nabla_{\xi^V}\xi^V = 0$  and  $h^V(\xi^V,\xi^V) = 0$ . Since  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is totally umbilical submanifold, we have from (4.5)

$$0 = h^V(\xi^V, \xi^V) = G(\xi^V, \xi^V)H$$

since  $G(\xi^V, \xi^V) \neq 0$ , it must be H = 0. Thus we have

$$h^V(X^V,Y^V) = G^V(X^V,Y^V) 0 = 0$$

This means that  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is totally geodesic. We know that  $\nabla_Y^V \xi^V = \frac{\beta}{2} Y^V$  and  $h^V(Y^V, \xi^V) = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \phi Y^V$  for all  $Y^V \in D^{\perp}$ . Since  $(\mathcal{N}')^{\nu}$  is totally geodesic and totally umbilical, we get

$$-\frac{\alpha}{2}\phi Y^V = G^V(Y^V,\xi^V)0 = 0$$

Since  $\alpha \neq 0$ , this means that

$$\phi Y^V = 0 \to Y^V = 0 \to D^\perp = 0$$

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