

**CONSTANCY OF  $\phi$ -HOLOMORPHIC SECTIONAL CURVATURE  
FOR INDEFINITE SASAKIAN MANIFOLDS**

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ABSTRACT. S. Tanno [6] provided an algebraic characterization for an almost Hermitian manifold to reduce to a space of constant holomorphic sectional curvature, which he later extended for the Sasakian manifolds as well. In the present paper, we generalize the same characterization for Indefinite Sasakian manifolds.

**1. Introduction**

For an almost Hermitian manifold  $(M^{2n}, g, J)$  where dimension of  $M$  is  $2n \geq 4$ , Tanno [6] has proved

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $\dim(M) = 2n \geq 4$ , assume that almost Hermitian manifold  $(M^{2n}, g, J)$  satisfies*

$$(1.1) \quad R(JX, JY, JZ, JX) = R(X, Y, Z, X)$$

*for every tangent vectors  $X, Y$  and  $Z$ . Then  $(M^{2n}, g, J)$  is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature at  $x$  if and only if*

$$(1.2) \quad R(X, JX)X \text{ is proportional to } JX$$

*for every tangent vector  $X$  at  $x \in M$ .*

Tanno [6] has also proved an analogous theorem for Sasakian manifolds as

**Theorem 1.2.** *A Sasakian manifold of dimension  $\geq 5$ , is of constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature if and only if*

$$(1.3) \quad R(X, \phi X)X \text{ is proportional to } \phi X$$

*for every vector field  $X$  such that  $g(X, \xi) = 0$ .*

Nagaich [5] has proved generalized version of theorem (1.1), for indefinite almost Hermitian manifolds as

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**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $(M^{2n}, g, J)$ ,  $(n \geq 2)$  be an indefinite almost Hermitian manifold satisfying (1.1), then  $(M^{2n}, g, J)$  is of constant holomorphic sectional curvature if and only if*

$$(1.4) \quad R(X, JX)X \text{ is proportional to } JX$$

for every tangent vector  $X$  at  $x \in M$ .

The aim of this paper is to generalize the theorem (1.2), for an indefinite Sasakian manifold by proving the following

**Theorem 1.4.** *Let  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \eta, \xi, g)$   $(n \geq 2)$  be an indefinite Sasakian manifold. Then  $M^{2n+1}$  is of constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature if and only if*

$$(1.5) \quad R(X, \phi X)X \text{ is proportional to } \phi X$$

for every vector field  $X$  such that  $g(X, \xi) = 0$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

**2.1. Sasakian Manifold.** Let  $M$  be a  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold endowed with a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor field  $\phi$ , a vector field  $\xi$ , a 1-form  $\eta$  and a metric  $g$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad \phi(\xi) = 0,$$

$$(2.2) \quad \eta(\phi X) = 0,$$

$$(2.3) \quad \eta(\xi) = 1,$$

$$(2.4) \quad \phi^2(X) = -X + \eta(X)\xi,$$

$$(2.5) \quad \eta(X) = g(X, \xi),$$

$$(2.6) \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

If  $d\phi(X, Y) = g(X, \phi Y)$  then  $M$  is said to have a contact Riemannian structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . If, moreover, the structure is normal then the contact Riemannian structure is called a Sasakian structure and  $M$  is called a Sasakian manifold.

Let  $\nabla$  be the covariant derivative with respect to  $g$ , then the curvature tensor field  $R$  of  $M$  satisfies

$$(2.7) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y$$

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} R(X, Y)\phi Z &= \phi R(X, Y)Z + g(\phi X, Z)Y \\ &\quad - g(Y, Z)\phi X + g(X, Z)\phi Y - g(\phi Y, Z)X \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\sigma$  be a plane section in tangent space  $T_p(M)$  at a point  $p$  of  $M$  be spanned by vectors  $X$  and  $Y$  then the sectional curvature of  $\sigma$  is given by

$$(2.9) \quad K(X, Y) = \frac{R(X, Y, X, Y)}{g(X, X)g(Y, Y) - g(X, Y)^2}$$

A plane section  $X, \phi X$  where  $X$  is orthonormal to  $\xi$  is called  $\phi$ -section and curvature associated with this is called  $\phi$ -sectional curvature and is denoted by  $H(X)$ , where

$$(2.10) \quad H(X) = K(X, \phi X) = R(X, \phi X, X, \phi X).$$

If a Sasakian manifold  $M$  has constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature  $c$  then it is called a Sasakian space form and is denoted by  $M^{2n+1}(c)$ . The curvature tensor  $R$  of a Sasakian space form  $M^{2n+1}(c)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
R(X, Y, Z, W) &= \frac{(c+3)}{4} \{g(X, Z)g(Y, W) - g(Y, Z)g(X, W)\} \\
&\quad + \frac{(c-1)}{4} \{\eta(Y)\eta(Z)g(X, W) - \eta(X)\eta(Z)g(Y, W) \\
&\quad + \eta(X)\eta(W)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)\eta(W)g(X, Z) + g(\phi X, Z)g(\phi Y, W) \\
&\quad - g(\phi Y, Z)g(\phi X, W) - 2g(X, \phi Y)g(\phi Z, W)\}.
\end{aligned}
\tag{2.11}$$

**2.2. Indefinite Sasakian Manifold.** Let  $M$  be a  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold endowed with a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor field  $\phi$ , a vector field  $\xi$ , a 1-form  $\eta$  and an indefinite metric  $g$  such that

$$\phi(\xi) = 0, \tag{2.12}$$

$$\eta(\phi X) = 0, \tag{2.13}$$

$$\eta(\xi) = -1, \tag{2.14}$$

$$\phi^2(X) = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \tag{2.15}$$

$$\eta(X) = g(X, \xi), \tag{2.16}$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2.17}$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

If indefinite contact Riemannian structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is normal then the indefinite contact Riemannian structure is called an indefinite Sasakian structure and  $M$  is called an indefinite Sasakian manifold.

A non-zero vector is called space-like, time-like or null if it satisfies  $g(X, X) > 0$ ,  $< 0$  or  $= 0$  if  $X \neq 0$  respectively.

Let  $\nabla$  be the covariant derivative with respect to  $g$ , then the curvature tensor field  $R$  of  $M$  satisfies

$$R(X, Y)\xi = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y \tag{2.18}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
R(X, Y)\phi Z &= \phi R(X, Y)Z - g(\phi X, Z)Y + g(Y, Z)\phi X \\
&\quad - g(X, Z)\phi Y + g(\phi Y, Z)X
\end{aligned}
\tag{2.19}$$

And the curvature tensor  $R$  of indefinite Sasakian space form is given as, [4]

$$\begin{aligned}
R(X, Y, Z, W) &= \frac{(c-3)}{4} \{g(X, Z)g(Y, W) - g(Y, Z)g(X, W)\} \\
&\quad + \frac{(c+1)}{4} \{\eta(Y)\eta(Z)g(X, W) - \eta(X)\eta(Z)g(Y, W) \\
&\quad + \eta(X)\eta(W)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)\eta(W)g(X, Z) + g(\phi X, Z)g(\phi Y, W) \\
&\quad - g(\phi Y, Z)g(\phi X, W) - 2g(X, \phi Y)g(\phi Z, W)\}.
\end{aligned}
\tag{2.20}$$

### 3. Proof of the main Theorem

Let  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \eta, \xi, g)$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) be an indefinite Sasakian manifold. To prove the theorem, we shall consider two different cases.

Also, to prove the theorem for  $\text{dimension}(M) \geq 5$ , we shall consider cases when  $\text{dimension}(M) = 5$  and when  $\text{dimension}(M) > 5$ , that is, when  $\text{dimension}(M) \geq 7$ .

**3.1. Case I.** When the metric is space-like, that is, when  $g(X, X) = g(Y, Y)$ .

Let  $M$  be of constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature then (2.11) gives

$$(3.1) \quad R(X, \phi X)X = c \phi X$$

Conversely, let  $\{X, Y\}$  be an orthonormal pair of tangent vectors such that  $g(\phi X, Y) = g(X, Y) = g(Y, \xi) = 0$  and  $\text{dimension}(M) \geq 7$  then  $\acute{X} = (X + Y)/\sqrt{2}$  and  $\acute{Y} = (\phi X - \phi Y)/\sqrt{2}$  are also form an orthonormal pair of tangent vectors such that  $g(\phi \acute{X}, \acute{Y}) = 0$  then (3.1) gives

$$(3.2) \quad R(\acute{X}, \phi \acute{X}, \acute{Y}, \acute{X}) = 0$$

This gives

$$(3.3) \quad H(X) - H(Y) + 2R(X, \phi X, Y, \phi X) - 2R(X, \phi Y, Y, \phi Y) = 0.$$

The hypothesis implies

$$(3.4) \quad H(X) = H(Y).$$

Now, if  $sp\{U, V\}$  is holomorphic then for  $\phi U = pU + qV$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are constant, we have

$$(3.5) \quad sp\{U, \phi U\} = sp\{U, pU + qV\} = sp\{U, V\}$$

Similarly

$$(3.6) \quad sp\{V, \phi V\} = sp\{U, V\}$$

$$(3.7) \quad sp\{U, \phi U\} = sp\{V, \phi V\}$$

This implies

$$(3.8) \quad R(U, \phi U, U, \phi U) = R(V, \phi V, V, \phi V)$$

Or

$$(3.9) \quad H(U) = H(V)$$

If  $sp\{U, V\}$  is not holomorphic section then we can choose unit vectors  $X \in sp\{U, \phi U\}^\perp$  and  $Y \in sp\{V, \phi V\}^\perp$  such that  $sp\{X, Y\}$  is holomorphic. Thus, we get

$$(3.10) \quad H(U) = H(X) = H(Y) = H(V)$$

This shows that any holomorphic section has the same  $\phi$ -sectional curvature.

Now, let the  $\text{dimension}(M) = 5$  and let  $\{X, Y\}$  be a set of orthonormal vectors such that  $g(X, \phi Y) = 0$ , we have  $H(X) = H(Y)$  as before, then using property (1.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, \phi X)X &= H(X)\phi X \\ R(X, \phi X)Y &= R(X, \phi X, Y, \phi Y)\phi Y \\ R(X, \phi Y)X &= R(X, \phi Y, X, Y)Y + R(X, \phi Y, X, \phi Y)\phi Y \\ R(X, \phi Y)Y &= R(X, \phi Y, Y, X)X + R(X, \phi Y, Y, \phi X)\phi X \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
R(Y, \phi X)Y &= R(Y, \phi X, Y, X)X + R(Y, \phi X, Y, \phi X)\phi X \\
R(Y, \phi X)X &= R(Y, \phi X, X, Y)Y + R(Y, \phi X, X, \phi Y)\phi Y \\
R(Y, \phi Y)X &= R(Y, \phi Y, X, \phi X)\phi X \\
R(Y, \phi Y)Y &= H(Y)\phi Y = H(X)\phi Y
\end{aligned}$$

Now, define  $X^* = aX + bY$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$  and  $a^2 \neq b^2$ . Then, using above relations, we get

$$(3.11) \quad R(X^*, \phi X^*)X^* = C_1X + C_2Y + C_3\phi X + C_4\phi Y$$

Where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are not necessary for argument and

$$(3.12) \quad C_3 = a^3H(X) + ab^2C_5$$

$$(3.13) \quad C_4 = b^3H(X) + a^2bC_5$$

Where  $C_5 = R(X, \phi X, Y, \phi Y) + R(X, \phi Y, X, \phi Y) + R(X, \phi Y, Y, \phi X)$ . On the other hand

$$(3.14) \quad \begin{aligned} R(X^*, \phi X^*)X^* &= H(X^*)\phi X^* \\ &= H(X^*)\{a\phi X + b\phi Y\} \end{aligned}$$

Comparing (3.11) and (3.14) we get

$$(3.15) \quad a^2H(X) + b^2C_5 = H(X^*)$$

$$(3.16) \quad b^2H(X) + a^2C_5 = H(X^*)$$

On solving (3.15) and (3.16) we get

$$H(X) = H(X^*)$$

Similarly, we can prove

$$H(Y) = H(Y^*)$$

Thus,  $M$  has constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature.

**3.2. Case II.** When the metric is time-like, that is, when  $g(X, X) = -g(Y, Y)$ . Here if  $X$  is space-like then  $Y$  is a time-like vector or vice versa.

Initially assume that  $M$  be of constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature then (2.20) gives

$$(3.17) \quad R(X, \phi X)X = c\phi X$$

Conversely, let  $\{X, Y\}$  be an orthonormal pair of tangent vectors such that  $g(\phi X, Y) = g(X, Y) = g(Y, \xi) = 0$  and  $\text{dimension}(M) \geq 7$  then  $\dot{X} = (X + iY)/\sqrt{2}$  and  $\dot{Y} = (i\phi X + \phi Y)/\sqrt{2}$  also form an orthonormal pair of tangent vectors such that  $g(\phi \dot{X}, \dot{Y}) = 0$  then (3.17) gives

$$(3.18) \quad R(\dot{X}, \phi \dot{X}, \dot{Y}, \dot{X}) = 0$$

This gives

$$(3.19) \quad H(X) = H(Y)$$

Then using the same argument as in **Case I**, we get any holomorphic section has same  $\phi$ -sectional curvature.

Now, let the dimension( $M$ ) = 5 and  $g(X, X) = -g(Y, Y)$  such that  $g(X, \phi Y) = 0$  then we have  $H(X) = H(Y)$  as before then using property (1.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, \phi X)X &= H(X)\phi X \\ R(X, \phi X)Y &= -R(X, \phi X, Y, \phi Y)\phi Y \\ R(X, \phi Y)X &= -R(X, \phi Y, X, Y)Y - R(X, \phi Y, X, \phi X)\phi Y \\ R(X, \phi Y)Y &= R(X, \phi Y, Y, X)X + R(X, \phi Y, Y, \phi X)\phi X \\ R(Y, \phi X)Y &= R(Y, \phi X, Y, X)X + R(Y, \phi X, Y, \phi X)\phi X \\ R(Y, \phi X)X &= -R(Y, \phi X, X, Y)Y - R(Y, \phi X, X, \phi Y)\phi Y \\ R(Y, \phi Y)X &= R(Y, \phi Y, X, \phi X)\phi X \\ R(Y, \phi Y)Y &= -H(Y)\phi Y = -H(X)\phi Y \end{aligned}$$

Now, define  $X^{**} = aX + bY$  such that  $a^2 - b^2 = 1$  and  $a^2 \neq b^2$ . Then, using above relations, we get

$$(3.20) \quad R(X^{**}, \phi X^{**})X^{**} = \acute{C}_1 X + \acute{C}_2 Y + \acute{C}_3 \phi X + \acute{C}_4 \phi Y$$

Where  $\acute{C}_1$  and  $\acute{C}_2$  are not necessary for argument and

$$(3.21) \quad \acute{C}_3 = a^3 H(X) + ab^2 \acute{C}_5$$

$$(3.22) \quad \acute{C}_4 = -b^3 H(X) - a^2 b \acute{C}_5$$

Where  $\acute{C}_5 = R(X, \phi X, Y, \phi Y) + R(X, \phi Y, X, \phi Y) + R(X, \phi Y, Y, \phi X)$ . On the other hand

$$(3.23) \quad \begin{aligned} R(X^{**}, \phi X^{**})X^{**} &= H(X^{**})\phi X^{**} \\ &= H(X^{**})\{a\phi X + b\phi Y\} \end{aligned}$$

Comparing (3.20) and (3.23) we get

$$(3.24) \quad a^2 H(X) + b^2 \acute{C}_5 = H(X^{**})$$

$$(3.25) \quad -b^2 H(X) - a^2 \acute{C}_5 = H(X^{**})$$

On solving (3.24) and (3.25) we get

$$H(X) = H(X^{**})$$

Similarly, we can prove

$$H(Y) = H(Y^{**})$$

Thus,  $M$  has constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature.

*Remark 3.1.* In the present paper, we have considered the cases of space-like and time-like vectors only. However, we are still investigating the same results for light-like (or null) vectors.

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