



# $D_\alpha$ -Homothetic Deformation and Ricci Solitons in $(k, \mu)$ -Contact Metric Manifolds

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## Abstract

In this paper, we study  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold under  $D_\alpha$ -homothetic deformation. It is proved that a  $D_3$ -homothetic deformed locally symmetric  $(1, -4)$ -contact metric manifold is a Sasakian manifold and the Ricci soliton is shrinking. Further,  $\xi^*$ -projectively flat and  $h$ -projectively semisymmetric  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds under  $D_\alpha$ -homothetic deformation are studied and obtained interesting results.

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## 1. Introduction

In modern mathematics the study of contact manifolds has become a matter of growing interest due to its role in explaining physical phenomena in the context of mathematical physics. In 1995, Blair [1] presented the thought of contact metric manifolds for which the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  belongs to the  $(k, \mu)$ -nullity distribution for some real numbers  $k$  and  $\mu$ . Such manifolds are known as  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds. The class of  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds encases both Sasakian and non-Sasakian structures. A full classification of  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds was given by Boeckx [4].  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds are invariant under  $D_\alpha$ -homothetic transformation. It is noted that the class of space acquired through  $D_\alpha$ -homothetic deformation [19] is a contact metric manifold whose curvature satisfying  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$ .  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds have been studied widely by several authors such as ([15, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 16, 17, 21]) and numerous others.

Ricci soliton, introduced by Hamilton [10] are natural generalizations of the Einstein metrics, and is defined on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$ . A Ricci soliton  $(g, V, \lambda)$  defined on  $(M, g)$  as

$$(L_V g)(X, Y) + 2S(X, Y) + 2\lambda g(X, Y) = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $L_V$  denotes the Lie-derivative of Riemannian metric  $g$  along a vector field  $V$ ,  $\lambda$  is a constant and  $X, Y$  are arbitrary vector fields on  $M$ . A Ricci soliton is said to shrinking or steady or expanding to the extent that  $\lambda$  is negative, zero or positive respectively. Ricci solitons have been studied extensively in the context of contact geometry; we may refer to [11, 20]) and references therein.

The paper is organized as follows: after a short audit of  $(k, \mu)$  contact metric manifold in section 2, we study  $D_\alpha$ -homothetic deformation and Ricci soliton in a  $(k, \mu)$  contact metric manifolds in section 3.

## 2. Preliminaries

A  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional smooth manifold  $M$  is said to be contact if it has a global 1-form  $\eta$  such that  $\eta \wedge (d\eta)^n \neq 0$  on  $M$ . Given a contact 1-form  $\eta$  there always exists a unique vector field  $\xi$  such that  $(d\eta)(\xi, X) = 0$ . Polarization of  $d\eta$  on the contact subbundle  $D$  (defined by  $D = 0$ ), yields a Riemannian metric  $g$  and a  $(1, 1)$ -tensor field  $\phi$  such that

$$\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad \phi\xi = 0, \quad g(X, \xi) = \eta(X), \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \eta \circ \phi = 0, \quad (2.1)$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad (2.2)$$

$$g(X, \phi Y) = d\eta(X, Y), \quad g(X, \phi Y) = -g(Y, \phi X), \quad (2.3)$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y$  on  $M$ . In a contact metric manifold, we characterize a  $(1, 1)$  tensor field  $h$  by  $h = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_\xi\phi$ , where  $\mathcal{L}$  signifies the Lie differentiation. At this point  $h$  is symmetric and satisfies  $h\phi = -\phi h$ . Likewise we have  $Tr \cdot h = Tr \cdot \phi h = 0$  and  $h\xi = 0$ . Moreover, if  $\nabla$  signifies the Riemannian connection of  $g$ , then the following relation holds:

$$\nabla_X \xi = -\phi X - \phi hX. \quad (2.4)$$

For a contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , the  $(k, \mu)$ -nullity distribution is

$$N(k, \mu) : p \rightarrow N_p(k, \mu) = \{Z \in T_p M | R(X, Y)Z = k[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] + \mu[g(Y, Z)hX - g(X, Z)hY]\}, \quad (2.5)$$

for any  $X, Y \in T_p M$  and for some real numbers  $k$  and  $\mu$ ,  $R$  is the curvature tensor. Hence if the characteristic vector field  $\xi \in N(k, \mu)$ , then we have

$$R(X, Y)\xi = k[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + \mu[(\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY)]. \quad (2.6)$$

Thus, a contact metric manifold satisfying relation (2.6) is known as a  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold [1]. On  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold, we have  $k \leq 1$ . If  $k = 1$ , the structure is Sasakian ( $h = 0$  and  $\mu$  is indeterminate) and if  $k < 1$ , the  $(k, \mu)$ -nullity condition completely determines the curvature of  $M^{2n+1}$  [1]. Actually, for a  $(k, \mu)$ -contact manifold the condition of being Sasakian manifold, a  $K$ -contact manifold,  $k = 1$  and  $h = 0$  are all equivalent. In particular, if  $\mu = 0$ , then the  $(k, \mu)$ -nullity distribution  $N(k, \mu)$  is reduced to  $k$ -nullity distribution  $N(k)$  [18]. If  $\xi \in N(k)$ , then we call contact metric manifold  $M$  is an  $N(k)$ -contact metric manifold [2]. A  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation:

$$\phi^* = \phi, \quad \xi^* = \frac{1}{a}\xi, \quad \eta^* = a\eta, \quad g^* = ag + a(a-1)\eta \otimes \eta, \quad (2.7)$$

for a positive real constant  $a$ , deforms a contact metric structure into another contact metric structure and preserves Sasakian,  $K$ -contact and  $(k, \mu)$ -contact structures. However the form of the  $(k, \mu)$  nullity condition is preserved under a  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation with

$$k^* = \frac{k+a^2-1}{a^2}, \quad \mu^* = \frac{\mu+2a-2}{a}. \quad (2.8)$$

In a  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold the following relations hold [12] [1]:

$$h^2 = (k-1)\phi^2, \quad k \leq 1, \quad (2.9)$$

$$(\nabla_X \phi)Y = g(X+hX, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)(X+hX), \quad (2.10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X h)Y &= [(1-k)g(X, \phi Y) - g(X, \phi hY)]\xi \\ &\quad - \eta(Y)[(1-k)\phi X + \phi hX] - \mu\eta(X)\phi hY, \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

$$R(\xi, X)Y = k[g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X] + \mu[g(hX, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)hX], \quad (2.12)$$

$$S(X, \xi) = 2nk\eta(X), \quad (2.13)$$

$$\begin{aligned} S(X, Y) &= [2(n-1) - n\mu]g(X, Y) + [2(n-1) + \mu]g(hX, Y) \\ &\quad + [2(1-n) + n(2k + \mu)]\eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad n \geq 1, \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

$$r = 2n[2n-2+k-n\mu], \quad (2.15)$$

where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of type  $(0, 2)$ ,  $Q$  is the Ricci-operator, i.e.,  $g(QX, Y) = S(X, Y)$  and  $r$  is the scalar curvature of the manifold. From (2.4), it follows that

$$(\nabla_X \eta)Y = g(X+hX, \phi Y). \quad (2.16)$$

**Lemma 2.1.** [1] A  $(2n+1)$  dimensional contact metric manifold  $M(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  with  $\xi$  belonging to  $(k, \mu)$ -nullity distribution. Then for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z$

$$\begin{aligned} &R(X, Y)hZ - hR(X, Y)Z \\ &= [k\{g(hY, Z)\eta(X) - g(hX, Z)\eta(Y)\} \\ &\quad + \mu(k-1)\{g(X, Z)\eta(Y) - g(Y, Z)\eta(X)\}]\xi \\ &\quad + k[g(Y, \phi Z)\phi hX - g(X, \phi Z)\phi hY + g(Z, \phi hY)\phi X] - g(Z, \phi hX)\phi Y \\ &\quad + \eta(Z)\{\eta(X)hY - \eta(Y)hX\} \\ &\quad + \mu[(k-1)\eta(Z)\{\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y\} + 2g(\phi X, Y)\phi hZ]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

### 3. $D$ -homothetic deformation and Ricci solitons in $(k, \mu)$ – Contact metric manifolds

Throughout this paper the quantities with  $*$  signify the quantities in  $(M, \phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  and quantities without  $*$  are from  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . The connection between the associations  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^*$  is given by

$$\nabla_X^* Y = \nabla_X Y + (1-a)[\eta(Y)\phi X + \eta(X)\phi Y] + \frac{(1-a)}{a}g(\phi hX, Y)\xi, \quad (3.1)$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y$  on  $M$ . We now calculate the Riemann curvature tensor  $R^*$  of  $(M, \phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  as follows:

$$R^*(X, Y)Z = \nabla_X^* \nabla_Y^* Z - \nabla_Y^* \nabla_X^* Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]}^* Z. \quad (3.2)$$

Using (2.4), (2.7), (2.9), (2.10), (2.11) and (3.1) in (3.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R^*(X, Y)Z &= R(X, Y)Z + (1-a)[g(\phi Y, Z)\phi X - g(\phi X, Z)\phi Y \\ &\quad + 2\eta(X)\eta(Z)hY - 2\eta(Y)\eta(Z)hX + 2g(\phi Y, X)\phi Z \\ &\quad + \eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi] + \frac{(1-a)}{a}[2\eta(Y)g(hX, Z)\xi \\ &\quad - 2\eta(X)g(hY, Z)\xi + (1-k)\{\eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi\} \\ &\quad + g(\phi hX, Z)\phi hY - g(\phi hY, Z)\phi hX] \\ &\quad + (a^2 - 1)[\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - \eta(X)\eta(Z)Y], \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z$  on  $M$ .

On contracting (3.3), we get the Ricci tensor  $S^*$  of  $D_a$ -homothetically deformed  $(k, \mu)$ – contact metric manifolds as

$$\begin{aligned} S^*(Y, Z) &= aS(Y, Z) + (a-1)[\{a^2 - 2a - k + 1\}g(Y, Z) \\ &\quad + \{2na^2 + 2na + 2a - a^2 + k - 1\}\eta(Y)\eta(Z) + a\{2 + \mu\}g(hY, Z)]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

First, assume that  $M$  is a locally symmetric  $(k, \mu)$ – contact metric manifold under  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation. Then we have

$$(\nabla_X^* R^*)(Y, Z)W = 0. \quad (3.5)$$

On a suitable contraction of (3.5), we have

$$(\nabla_X^* S^*)(Z, W) = \nabla_X^* S^*(Z, W) - S^*(\nabla_X^* Z, W) - S^*(Z, \nabla_X^* W) = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

Taking  $W = \xi^*$  in the above equation yields

$$\nabla_X^* S^*(Z, \xi^*) - S^*(\nabla_X^* Z, \xi^*) - S^*(Z, \nabla_X^* \xi^*) = 0. \quad (3.7)$$

Making use of (2.1), (2.4), (3.1) and (3.4) in (3.7), we obtain

$$a^2 S(Z, \phi X) + aS(Z, \phi hX) + Ag(X, \phi Z) + Bg(\phi hX, Z) = 0, \quad (3.8)$$

where

$$A = 2na\{k + a^2 - 1\} - a(a-1)\{a^2 - 2a - k + 1\} - a(a-1)(k-1)(2+\mu)$$

and

$$B = -2n\{k + a^2 - 1\} + (a-1)\{a^2 - 2a - k + 1\} - a^2(a-1)(2+\mu).$$

Replacing  $X$  by  $\phi X$  in (3.8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &-a^2 S(Z, X) + aS(Z, hX) + Ag(X, Z) \\ &+ \{2nka^2 - A\}\eta(X)\eta(Z) + Bg(hX, Z) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

Taking  $X = Z = e_i$  in (3.9) and summing up with respect to  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 2n+1$  and using (2.15) we obtain

$$-2na^2(2n-2-n\mu+k) - 2na(k-1)(2n-2+\mu) + 2nka^2 + 2nA = 0. \quad (3.10)$$

From (3.10), we get

$$\mu = \frac{(3-a)(k+a^2-1) + 2(a-1)na}{a(k-n-1)}. \quad (3.11)$$

At this point for  $a = 3$  and  $k = 1$ , we get  $\mu = -4$ . From (2.8), this demonstrates that  $k^* = 1$  and  $\mu^* = 0$ .

Thus we state the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** *A  $D_3$ -homothetic deformed locally symmetric  $(1, -4)$ -contact metric manifold is a Sasakian manifold.*

Next, let  $(M, \phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  be a  $D_a$ -homothetic deformed  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold. A Ricci soliton  $(g^*, V, \lambda)$  is defined on  $(M, \phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  as

$$(L_V^* g^*)(X, Y) + 2S^*(X, Y) + 2\lambda g^*(X, Y) = 0. \tag{3.12}$$

Where  $L_V^* g^*$  denotes the Lie-derivative of Riemannian metric  $g^*$  along a vector field  $V$ ,  $S^*$  is the Ricci tensor on  $(M, \phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$ .

Further, suppose that the potential vector field  $V$  is the Reeb vector field  $\xi^*$ , i.e.,  $V = \xi^*$  on  $(M, \phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$ . Then from (3.12) we have

$$(L_{\xi^*}^* g^*)(X, Y) + 2S^*(X, Y) + 2\lambda g^*(X, Y) = 0. \tag{3.13}$$

From (2.4) and (3.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} (L_{\xi^*}^* g^*)(X, Y) &= g^*(\nabla_X^* \xi^*, Y) + g^*(X, \nabla_Y^* \xi^*) \\ &= -2g(\phi hX, Y). \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

Combining (3.13) and (3.14), we find that

$$S^*(X, Y) = g(\phi hX, Y) - \lambda a\{g(X, Y) + (a - 1)\eta(X)\eta(Y)\}. \tag{3.15}$$

Replacing  $X$  and  $Y$  by  $\xi^*$  in (3.15) and using (3.4), we get

$$\lambda = \frac{-2n}{a}\{k + a^2 - 1\}. \tag{3.16}$$

Thus we state the following:

**Theorem 3.2.** *A Ricci soliton on a  $D_a$ -homothetic deformed  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold is shrinking.*

For a Sasakian case  $k = 1$ , then from (3.16), we get

$$\lambda = -2na. \tag{3.17}$$

**Corollary 3.3.** *A Ricci soliton on a  $D_a$ -homothetic deformed Sasakian manifold is shrinking.*

By the covariant differentiation of the Ricci tensor  $S^*$  with respect to  $X$ , we have

$$(\nabla_X^* S^*)(Z, W) = \nabla_X^* S^*(Z, W) - S^*(\nabla_X^* Z, W) - S^*(Z, \nabla_X^* W). \tag{3.18}$$

Replacing  $W$  by  $\xi^*$  in (3.18), we get

$$(\nabla_X^* S^*)(Z, \xi^*) = \nabla_X^* S^*(Z, \xi^*) - S^*(\nabla_X^* Z, \xi^*) - S^*(Z, \nabla_X^* \xi^*). \tag{3.19}$$

Now, using (3.15), (3.1), (2.7), (2.4) in (3.19), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X^* S^*)(Z, \xi^*) &= \lambda a\{g(\phi X, Z) + g(\phi hX, Z) - \eta(\nabla_X Z)\} \\ &\quad - \lambda a\{\eta(\nabla_X Z) + \frac{(a-1)}{a}g(\phi hX, Z)\} \\ &\quad + S^*(Z, \phi X) + \frac{1}{a}S^*(Z, \phi hX). \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

On simplification and using (2.9), (3.15), we get

$$(\nabla_X^* S^*)(Z, \xi^*) = g(hX, Z) + \frac{(1-k)}{a}\{g(X, Z) - \eta(X)\eta(Z)\}. \tag{3.21}$$

On the other hand, taking the covariant differentiation of (3.4) with respect to  $X$  and then using (2.4), (2.7), (2.11), (2.13), (2.14) and (3.1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X^* S^*)(Z, \xi^*) &= -aS(Z, \phi X) - S(Z, \phi hX) \\ &\quad - (a-1)[(a^2 - 2a - k + 1)\{g(\phi X, Z) + \frac{1}{a}g(\phi hX, Z)\} \\ &\quad + a(2 + \mu)\{g(hZ, \phi X) + \frac{(k-1)}{a}g(\phi X, Z)\}]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

Comparing the equations (3.21) and (3.22), then contracting with respect to  $X$  and  $Z$ , we get

$$k = 1. \tag{3.23}$$

Thus we state the following:

**Theorem 3.4.** *A  $D_a$ -homothetic deformed  $(k, \mu)$  contact metric manifold admitting a Ricci soliton  $(g^*, V, \lambda)$  is a Sasakian manifold.*

The projective curvature tensor [22]  $P^*$  under  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation  $\nabla^*$  is defined by

$$P^*(X, Y)Z = R^*(X, Y)Z - \frac{1}{2n} \{S^*(Y, Z)X - S^*(X, Z)Y\}. \quad (3.24)$$

By interchanging  $X$  and  $Y$  in (3.24), we have

$$P^*(Y, X)Z = R^*(Y, X)Z - \frac{1}{2n} \{S^*(X, Z)Y - S^*(Y, Z)X\}. \quad (3.25)$$

On adding (3.24) and (3.25) and using the fact that  $R(X, Y)Z + R(Y, X)Z = 0$ , we get

$$P^*(X, Y)Z + P^*(Y, X)Z = 0. \quad (3.26)$$

From (3.3), (3.24) and first Bianchi identity  $R(X, Y)Z + R(Y, Z)X + R(Z, X)Y = 0$  with respect to  $\nabla$ , we obtain

$$P^*(X, Y)Z + P^*(Y, Z)X + P^*(Z, X)Y = 0. \quad (3.27)$$

Hence, from (3.26) and (3.27), shows that projective curvature tensor under  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation in a  $(k, \mu)$  contact metric manifold is skew-symmetric and cyclic.

Now using (2.7), (3.3) and (3.15) in (3.24), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P^*(X, Y)Z &= R(X, Y)Z + (1-a)[g(\phi Y, Z)\phi X - g(\phi X, Z)\phi Y \\ &\quad + 2\eta(X)\eta(Z)hY - 2\eta(Y)\eta(Z)hX + 2g(\phi Y, X)\phi Z \\ &\quad + \eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi] + \frac{(1-a)}{a}[2\eta(Y)g(hX, Z)\xi \\ &\quad - 2\eta(X)g(hY, Z)\xi + (1-k)\{\eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi\} \\ &\quad + g(\phi hX, Z)\phi hY - g(\phi hY, Z)\phi hX] \\ &\quad + (a^2 - 1)[\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - \eta(X)\eta(Z)Y] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2n}[g(\phi hY, Z)X - g(\phi hX, Z)Y - \lambda a\{g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y\} \\ &\quad - \lambda a(a-1)\{\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - \eta(X)\eta(Z)Y\}]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.28)$$

Replacing  $X$  by  $\xi^*$  in (3.28); then using (2.1) and (2.6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} P^*(X, Y)\xi^* &= \left[\frac{k+a^2-1}{a^2} - \lambda\right]\{\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y\} \\ &\quad + \left[\frac{\mu+2a-2}{a}\right]\{\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.29)$$

If the vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  are orthogonal to  $\xi$ , then we have  $P^*(X, Y)\xi^* = 0$ . That is,  $M(\phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  is  $\xi^*$ -projectively flat. Thus, we can express the accompanying:

**Theorem 3.5.** *A  $D_a$ -homothetically deformed  $(k, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold is  $\xi^*$ -projectively flat, that is,  $P^*(X, Y)\xi^* = 0$  if and only if the vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  are orthogonal to  $\xi$ .*

Let  $M(\phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  be a  $(2n+1)$  dimensional  $h$ -projectively semisymmetric  $(k, \mu)$  contact metric manifold under  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation. Then we have

$$P^* \cdot h = 0. \quad (3.30)$$

From (3.30), it follows that

$$P^*(X, Y)hZ - hP^*(X, Y)Z = 0. \quad (3.31)$$

Making use of (2.6) to (2.12), (2.17), (3.4), (3.15) and (3.28) in (3.31), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{k+a-1 + \frac{(k-1)(1-a)}{a}\right\}\{g(hY, Z)\eta(X)\xi - g(hX, Z)\eta(Y)\xi \\ &\quad + g(Y, \phi Z)\phi hX - g(X, \phi Z)\phi hY + g(\phi hY, Z)\phi X - g(\phi hX, Z)\phi Y\} \\ &\quad + \left\{\mu(k-1) + \frac{2(k-1)(a-1)}{a}\right\}\{\eta(Y)g(X, Z)\xi - \eta(X)g(Y, Z)\xi\} \\ &\quad + \left\{k+a^2-1 + \frac{\lambda a(a-1)}{2n}\right\}\{\eta(X)\eta(Z)hY - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)hX\} \\ &\quad + (k-1)(2-2a-\mu)\{\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X\} \\ &\quad + 2(\mu+2a-2)g(\phi X, Y)\phi hZ + \frac{(k-1)}{2n}\{g(\phi X, Z)Y - g(\phi Y, Z)X\} \\ &\quad + \frac{\lambda a}{2n}\{g(hY, Z)X - g(hX, Z)Y - g(Y, Z)hX - g(X, Z)hY\} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2n}\{g(\phi hY, Z)hX - g(\phi hX, Z)hY\} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.32)$$

Replace  $X$  by  $hX$  in (3.32) and using the fact that  $h^2 = (k-1)\phi^2$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(k+a^2-1)}{a} [(k-1)\{\eta(Y)g(X,Z)\xi - \eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)\xi\}] \\
& + (k-1)g(\phi Y, Z)\phi X + g(\phi hX, Z)\phi hY + g(\phi hY, Z)\phi hX \\
& + (k-1)g(\phi X, Z)\phi Y + \{\mu(k-1) + \frac{2(k-1)(a-1)}{a}\}g(hX, Z)\eta(Y)\xi \\
& + \{k+a^2-1 + \frac{\lambda a(a-1)}{2n}\}(k-1)\{\eta(Y)\eta(Z)X - \eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)\xi\} \\
& + (k-1)(\mu+2a-2)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)hX + 2(\mu+2a-2)g(\phi hX, Y)\phi hZ \\
& + \frac{\lambda a}{2n}[g(hY, Z)hX + g(hX, Z)hY + (k-1)g(Y, Z)\{X - \eta(X)\xi\}] \\
& + \frac{(k-1)}{2n}\{g(\phi hX, Z)Y - g(\phi Y, Z)hX\} \\
& + \frac{(k-1)}{2n}\{g(\phi hY, Z)(-X + \eta(X)\xi) + g(\phi X, Z)hY\} = 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

Replace  $Y = \xi^*$  in (3.33) and then taking an inner product with  $U$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(k+a^2-1)}{a} (k-1)\{g(X, Z)\eta(U) - \eta(X)\eta(Z)\eta(U)\} \\
& + \{\mu(k-1) + \frac{2(k-1)(a-1)}{a}\}g(hX, Z)\eta(U) \\
& + \{k+a^2-1 + \frac{\lambda a^2}{2n}\}(k-1)\{\eta(Z)g(X, U) - \eta(X)\eta(Z)\eta(U)\} \\
& + (k-1)(\mu+2a-2)\eta(Z)g(hX, U) + \frac{(k-1)}{2n}g(\phi hX, Z)\eta(U) = 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.34}$$

Again taking  $Z = \xi^*$  in (3.34), we obtain

$$(k-1)[\{k+a^2-1 + \frac{\lambda a^2}{2n}\}\{g(X, U) - \eta(X)\eta(U)\} + (\mu+2a-2)g(hX, U)] = 0, \tag{3.35}$$

i.e.,  $k=1$  or by considering  $k=-a^2$  (non-Sasakian case) and  $\lambda = \frac{2n}{a^2}$ , we get  $\mu = 2-2a$ . Hence by the fact that (from (2.8))  $\mu^* = 0$ . Thus we can state the following:

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $M(\phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  be a  $(k, \mu)$  contact metric manifold obtained by  $D_a$ -homothetic deformation of  $(k, \mu)$  manifold  $M$ . If  $M(\phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  is  $h$ -projectively semisymmetric, then  $M(\phi^*, \xi^*, \eta^*, g^*)$  is either Sasakian manifold or  $N(k)$ -contact manifold provided  $k = -a^2$  and  $\lambda = \frac{2n}{a^2}$ .*

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