

## REMARKS ON SOME SUBMANIFOLDS OF SASAKIAN MANIFOLDS

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Let  $M$  be a  $(2m + 1)$ -dimensional Sasakian manifold with structure tensors  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . An  $n$ -dimensional submanifold  $N$  of  $M$  is said to be *invariant* (or  $\phi$ -*invariant*) in  $M$  if  $\phi T_x(N) \subset T_x(N)$  holds for every  $x \in N$ , where  $T_x(N)$  is the tangent space of  $N$  at  $x$ . It is said to be *anti-invariant* (or *anti- $\phi$ -invariant*) in  $M$  if  $\phi T_x(N) \subset T_x^\perp(N)$  holds for each  $x \in N$ , where  $T_x^\perp(N)$  denotes the orthogonal complement of  $T_x(N)$  in  $T_x(M)$  (Yano-Kon [1]). A plane section  $p$  in  $T_x(N)$ ,  $x \in N$ , is said to be  $\phi$ -*invariant* if  $\phi p = p$ . It is said to be *anti- $\phi$ -invariant* if  $\phi p$  is perpendicular to  $p$ .

A submanifold  $N$  of a Sasakian manifold  $M$  is called a *Sasakian submanifold* of  $M$  if the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  everywhere on  $N$  and  $\phi X$  is tangent to  $N$  for every vector  $X$  tangent to  $N$ , that is  $N$  is invariant [1].

It is known that if  $N$  is an  $n$ -dimensional submanifold of a  $(2m + 1)$ -dimensional Sasakian manifold  $M$  and the structure vector field  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$ , then  $N$  is an anti-invariant submanifold in  $M$  and  $n \leq m$ . It is also known that if  $N$  is an anti-invariant submanifold of dimension  $n = m + 1$ , then the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  [1].

**1. Submanifolds of Sasakian manifolds in which the structure vector field  $\xi$  is either always tangent or always normal.**

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Let  $N$  be a submanifold of a Sasakian manifold. Then the structure vector field  $\xi$  is either tangent to  $N$  at every point*

*of  $N$  or normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$  if and only if  $\phi^2 X$  is tangent to  $N$  for every tangent vector  $X$  on  $N$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\phi^2 X$  is tangent to  $N$  for every tangent vector  $X$  at  $x \in N$ . Then, since  $\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi$  we have  $\eta(X)\xi \in T_x(N)$ . Then either (i)  $\eta(X) \neq 0$  for some tangent vector  $X$  of  $N$  at  $x$ , or (ii)  $\eta(X) = 0$  for every tangent vector  $X$  of  $N$  at  $x$ . In case (i) we have  $\xi \in T_x(N)$ . In case (ii) we have  $\eta(X) = g(X, \xi) = 0$  for every tangent vector  $X$  of  $N$  at  $x$ . Thus in this case  $\xi$  is normal to  $T_x(N)$ . So at each point  $x \in N$ ,  $\xi$  is either tangent to  $N$  or normal to  $N$ . It follows from continuity of the vector field  $\xi$  and the connectedness of  $N$  that  $\xi$  is either always tangent to  $N$  or always perpendicular to  $N$ .

Conversely, if  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  at every point of  $N$  then  $\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(x)\xi$  is also tangent to  $N$  for any vector  $X$  tangent to  $N$ . If  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ , then  $\eta(X) = g(X, \xi) = 0$  for any tangent vector  $X$  of  $N$ . Thus  $\phi^2 X = -X$  is tangent to  $N$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.** *A submanifold  $N$  of a Sasakian manifold  $M$  is a Sasakian submanifold if and only if every plane section of  $T_x(M)$ ,  $x \in N$ , determined by a tangent vector  $X$  of  $N$  and  $\phi X$  is a tangent plane section of  $N$  at every point  $x \in N$ .*

**Proof.** Assume that the plane section determined by  $X$  and  $\phi X$  is tangent to  $N$  for every vector  $X$  tangent to  $N$ . Then since  $\phi X$  is tangent to  $N$  we have  $\phi^2 X$  tangent to  $N$ . By proposition 1  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ , or  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ . If  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$  then  $N$  is anti-invariant [Yano-Kon [1]] contradicting our assumption that  $\phi X$  is tangent to  $N$ . Thus  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ . Since  $N$  is invariant it is a Sasakian submanifold.

The converse is clear.

**PROPOSITION 3.** *Let  $N$  be a submanifold of a Sasakian manifold  $M$ . Furthermore, suppose that the structure vector field  $\xi$  is either tangent to  $N$  at every point or normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ .*

Then  $N$  is an anti-invariant submanifold of  $M$  if and only if every plane section  $p \subset T_x(N)$  perpendicular to  $\xi$  is anti- $\phi$ -invariant (see Chen-Ogiue [2]).

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be an arbitrary vector in  $T_x(N)$  which is perpendicular to  $\xi$ . If  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ , then let  $e_0 = \xi$ ,  $e_1 = X$ ,  $e_2, \dots, e_n$  be a local orthonormal basis for  $N$ . If  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ , let  $e_1 = X$ ,  $e_2, \dots, e_n$  be a local orthonormal basis for  $N$ . In this case all  $e_i$ 's are perpendicular to  $\xi$ . Denote by  $p_{ij}$ , where  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ , the plane section spanned by  $e_i$  and  $e_j$ ,  $i \neq j$ . Suppose that every tangent plane section of  $N$  orthogonal to  $\xi$  is anti- $\phi$ -invariant. Then  $\phi p_{ij}$  is perpendicular to  $p_{ij}$ . Hence  $\phi e_1 = \phi X$ ,  $\phi e_2, \dots, \phi e_n$  are perpendicular to  $e_j$  for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . Thus, if  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$ ,  $\phi X$  belongs to  $T_x^\perp(N)$  and  $N$  is anti-invariant. If  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$ , since  $g(\phi X, \xi) = \eta(\phi X) = 0$ ,  $\phi X$  belongs to  $T_x^\perp(N)$  again. In this case, if  $X$  is any tangent vector, then  $X = \alpha \xi + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i e_i$ . Thus  $\phi X = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi e_i$  belongs to  $T_x^\perp(N)$ . Therefore,  $N$  is also an anti-invariant submanifold.

Conversely, suppose that  $N$  is anti-invariant. Let  $p$  be any plane section perpendicular to  $\xi$ . Then  $p$  is spanned by tangent vectors  $X$  and  $Y$  which are perpendicular to  $\xi$ . Then  $\phi X$  and  $\phi Y$  are normal to  $N$ , and the plane section spanned by  $\phi X$  and  $\phi Y$  is perpendicular to  $p$ .

As a consequence of proposition 3, we see that if the structure vector field  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  everywhere on  $N$ , then every tangent plane section of  $N$  is anti- $\phi$ -invariant.

**2. Characterization of submanifolds which are invariant with respect to the curvature transformation.** A submanifold  $N$  of a Sasakian manifold  $M$  is said to be *invariant with respect to the curvature transformation* if  $R(X, Y)T_x N \subset T_x N$  holds for all tangent vectors  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $N$ , where  $R(X, Y)$  denotes the curvature tensor of the Sasakian manifold  $M$  [1].

It is easy to see that in a Sasakian space form  $M(c)$ ,  $c \neq 1$ , Sasakian submanifolds, anti-invariant submanifolds tangent to the

structure vector field  $\xi$ , and anti-invariant submanifolds normal to the structure vector field  $\xi$  are all invariant with respect to the curvature transformation.

In fact, for a submanifold  $N$  in a Sasakian space form  $M(c)$  we have

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

for all tangent vectors  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  of  $N$ .

(i) If  $N$  is a Sasakian submanifold,  $X, Y, \xi, \phi X, \phi Y$  and  $\phi Z$  are all tangent to  $N$ , hence  $R(X, Y)Z \in T_x(N)$ .

(ii) If  $N$  is an anti-invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$ , then  $g(\phi Y, Z) = g(\phi X, Z) = g(\phi X, Y) = 0$ . Hence

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

Thus,  $R(X, Y)Z \in T_x(N)$ , since  $\xi \in T_x(N)$ .

(iii) If  $N$  is an anti-invariant submanifold normal to  $\xi$ , then  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  are orthogonal to  $\xi$ . Hence  $\eta(X) = \eta(Y) = \eta(Z) = 0$  also hold. Therefore

$$(3) \quad R(X, Y)Z = \frac{1}{4}(c+3)(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y)$$

and

$$R(X, Y)Z \in T_x(N).$$

It is also obvious that if  $c = 1$ , then any submanifold  $N$  of  $M(1)$  is invariant with respect to the curvature transformation.

**PROPOSITION 4.** *Let  $N$  be a submanifold of a Sasakian space form  $M(c)$ ,  $c \neq 1$ , such that the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent*

to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ , and  $\dim N \geq 3$ . Then  $N$  is invariant with respect to the curvature transformation if and only if  $N$  is either invariant or anti-invariant in  $M$  (see Chen-Ogiue [2]).

**Proof.** By (1), for  $R(X, Y)Z \in T_x(N)$  to hold for tangent vectors  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  of  $N$  it is necessary that

$$(4) \quad -g(\phi Y, Z)\phi X + g(\phi X, Z)\phi Y + 2g(\phi X, Y)\phi Z \in T_x(N)$$

holds. Let  $\{X, Y\}$  be an orthonormal set of tangent vectors such that  $X \neq \xi$  and  $Y \neq \xi$ . By setting  $Z = X$  in (4) for such an orthonormal set  $\{X, Y\}$  we have

$$(5) \quad -g(\phi Y, X)\phi X + 2g(\phi X, Y)\phi X \in T_x(N).$$

But

$$g(\phi^2 X, \phi Y) = g(\phi X, Y) - \eta(\phi X)\eta(Y) = g(\phi X, Y).$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} g(\phi^2 X, \phi Y) &= g(-X + \eta(X)\xi, \phi Y) \\ &= -g(X, \phi Y) + \eta(X)g(\xi, \phi Y) \\ &= -g(X, \phi Y). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$(6) \quad g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y).$$

Thus (5) and (6) imply that

$$(7) \quad g(X, \phi Y)\phi X \in T_x(N).$$

From (7) it follows that (i) if there is a vector  $Y_1 \neq 0$  tangent to  $N$  at  $x$  such that  $g(X, \phi Y_1) \neq 0$ , then  $\phi X \in T_x(N)$ . Otherwise (ii)  $g(X, \phi Y) = 0$  for all  $Y$  tangent to  $N$  at  $x$ . Then by (6),  $g(\phi X, Y) = 0$  for all  $Y$  tangent to  $N$  at  $x$ . This means that  $\phi X \in T_x^\perp(N)$ .

Furthermore, we can show that if there is a vector field  $X \neq 0$ ,  $\xi$  tangent to  $N$  at  $x$  such that  $\phi X \in T_x(N)$ , then there is no tangent vector  $Z \neq 0$ ,  $\xi$  at  $x$  such that  $\phi Z \in T_x^\perp(N)$ .

In fact, suppose that  $X \neq 0$ ,  $\xi$  and  $Z \neq 0$ ,  $\xi$  are tangent vectors of  $N$  at  $x$  such that  $\phi X \in T_x(N)$  and  $\phi Z \in T_x^\perp(N)$ . Then there is

a tangent vector  $Y_1 \neq 0$  at  $x$  such that  $g(X, \phi Y_1) \neq 0$ . On the other hand,  $\phi Z \in T_x^\perp(N)$  implies that  $g(Z, \phi Y) = 0$  for all tangent vectors  $Y$  at  $x$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} g(X + Z, \phi Y_1) &= g(X, \phi Y_1) + g(Z, \phi Y_1) \\ &= g(X, \phi Y_1) \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\phi(X + Z) = \phi X + \phi Z \in T_x(N)$ . Hence  $\phi Z \in T_x(N)$ . Then  $\phi Z \in T_x(N) \cap T_x^\perp(N)$  and  $\phi Z = 0$ . This implies that  $Z = 0$  or  $Z = \xi$ , which contradicts our assumption.

Therefore, at a point  $x$  of  $N$ , either  $\phi T_x(N) \subset T_x(N)$  or  $\phi T_x(N) \subset T_x^\perp(N)$ . By continuity of  $\phi$  and the connectedness of  $N$  either  $\phi T_x(N) \subset T_x(N)$  for every  $x \in N$  or  $\phi T_x(N) \subset T_x^\perp(N)$  for every  $x \in N$ . Thus  $N$  is either a Sasakian submanifold, or it is an anti-invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$ .

The converse is obvious from the above examples (i) and (ii).

Since, as a special case of a theorem stated above, a submanifold normal to the structure vector field  $\xi$  of a Sasakian space form is anti-invariant, so it is invariant with respect to the curvature transformation as mentioned in the above example (iii).

**PROPOSITION 5.** *Let  $N$  be an anti-invariant submanifold of a Sasakian space form  $M(c)$ ,  $c \neq 1$ , such that  $\dim N \geq 2$ . Then  $N$  is invariant with respect to the curvature transformation if and only if the structure vector field  $\xi$  is either tangent to  $N$  or normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $N$  is invariant with respect to the curvature transformation. Since  $N$  is anti-invariant we have

$$(8) \quad g(\phi Y, Z) = g(\phi X, Z) = g(\phi X, Y) = 0$$

for any vectors  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  tangent to  $N$ . Then formula (1) implies that

$$(9) \quad (g(Y, Z) \eta(X) - g(X, Z) \eta(Y)) \xi \in T_x(N).$$

Let  $\{X, Y\}$  be an orthonormal set of tangent vectors to  $N$  at  $x$ . The vectors  $X$  or  $Y$  can be  $\xi$ , if  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$ . By substituting  $Z = X$  in (9) we have

$$(10) \quad \eta(Y)\xi \in T_x(N).$$

If  $\eta(Y) = 0$  for every vector  $Y$  tangent to  $N$  at  $x$ , then  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  at  $x$ . If  $\eta(Y) \neq 0$  for some vector  $Y$  tangent to  $N$  at  $x$ , then  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$ . As in the proof of proposition 1 we see that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ , or  $\xi$  is normal to  $N$  at every point of  $N$ . Therefore  $N$  is either an anti-invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$  or it is an anti-invariant submanifold normal to  $\xi$ .

The converse is obvious from the above examples (ii) and (iii).

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