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SOME CURVATURE PROPERTIES OF QUARTER SYMMETRIC METRIC CONNECTIONS *

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ABSTRACT

A linear connection Γ_{ji}^h with torsion tensor $T_{ji}^h p_i - T_{ij}^h p_j$, where T_{ji}^h is an arbitrary (1,1) tensor field and p_i is a 1-form, has been called a quarter-symmetric connection by Goljb [3]. Some properties of such connections have been studied by Rastogi [5], Mishra and Pandey [4] and Yano and Imai [6]. In this paper based on the curvature tensor of quarter-symmetric metric connection we define a tensor analogous to conformal curvature tensor [2] and study some properties of such a tensor.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let ∇ be a linear connection in a Riemannian manifold M of dimensions $n (>2)$ such that it is expressed locally as follows [6]:

$$\Gamma_{ji}^h = \{^h_{ji}\} + U_j^h p_i - p_j V_i^h - U_{ji}^h p^h, \quad (1.1)$$

where $\{^h_{ji}\}$ are Christoffel symbols, U_{ji} and V_{ji} are, respectively, symmetric and skew-symmetric parts of an arbitrary tensor T_{ji}^h , $U_j^h = U_{jt} g^{th}$, $V_j^h = V_{jt} g^{th}$ and p_j is a 1-form such that $g^{hj} p_j = p^h$.

Γ_{ji}^h given by (1.1) is a quarter-symmetric connection with torsion tensor $T_{ji}^h p_i - T_{ij}^h p_j$ and curvature tensor R_{kji}^h expressible as [6]

$$\begin{aligned} R_{kji}^h = & K_{kji}^h - [U_k^h p_{ji} + p_k^h U_{ji} - p_i \nabla_k U_j^h \\ & + p^h \nabla_k U_{ji} + V_i^h \nabla_k p_j + p_j \nabla_k V_i^h \\ & - V_k^h p_j p_i U_k^h + U_{jt} V_i^t p_k p^h \\ & + U_k^h V_i^t p_j p_t - p_k p^k V_k^h U_{ji}] - \delta_{jk}^i. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

where $p_{ji} = \nabla_j p_i - U_{jt} p^t p_i + \frac{1}{2} U_{ji} p^t p_t$, $p_i^h = p_{it} g^{th}$ and $-j|k$ means interchange of indices j and k and subtraction.

2. SYMMETRIC T_{ji}

If T_{ji} is symmetric $V_{ji} = 0$ and (1.1) and (1.2), respectively, reduce to

$$\Gamma_{ji}^h = \{^h_{ji}\} + T_j^h p_i - T_{ji}^h p^h \quad (2.1)$$

and

$$R_{kji}^h = K_{kji}^h - [T_k^h p_{ji} + p_k^h T_{ji} - p_i \nabla_k T_j^h + p^h \nabla_k T_{ji}] - \delta_{jk}^i. \quad (2.2)$$

From (2.2) it is easy to get

$$\begin{aligned} R_{ji}^h = & K_{ji}^h - T_j^h p_i - p T_{ji}^h + T_j^h p_{ia} + p_j^h T_{ia} \\ & + p_i (\nabla_n T_j^h - \nabla_j T_n^h) - (\nabla_n T_{ji}^h - \nabla_j T_{ni}^h) p^h \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

and

$$R = K - 2Tp + 2T_m^t p_m^m + 2(\nabla_x T_m^t - \nabla_m T) p^m, \quad (2.4)$$

where $T = T_i^t$, $p = p_i^t$.

Now on the basis of R_{kjih} , R_{ji} and R we define the following tensor:

$${}^*C_{kjih} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} R_{kjih} - (n-2)^{-1} [g_{kh} R_{ji} - R_{ki} g_{hj} + g_{ji} R_{kh} - R_{jh} g_{ki} - (n-1)^{-1} R (g_{kh} g_{ji} - g_{jh} g_{ki})], \quad (2.5)$$

which vanishes if $R_{kjih} = 0$.

${}^*C_{kjih}$ satisfies (i) ${}^*C_{kjih} g^{kh} = 0$, (ii) For $R_{ji} = 0$, ${}^*C_{kjih} = R_{kjih}$.

If in (2.5) we substitute from (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) we obtain

$${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih} - M_{kjih} \quad (2.6)$$

where C_{kjih} is conformal curvature tensor (Eisenhart [2]) and

$$M_{kjih} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [p_{ji} (T_{kh} - (n-2)^{-1} T g_{kh}) + p_{kh} (T_{ji} - (n-2)^{-1} T g_{ji}) - (n-2)^{-1} g_{ji} \{p T_{kh} - T_{kh}^t p_{kh} - T_{kh} p_{kh}^t - p^t (\nabla_x T_{kh} - \nabla_k T_{xh})\} - (n-2)^{-1} g_{kh} \{p T_{ji} - T_{ji}^t p_{ji} - T_{ji} p_{ji}^t - p^t (\nabla_x T_{ji} - \nabla_j T_{xi})\} + 2(n-1)^{-1} (n-2)^{-1} g_{ji} g_{kh} \{T p - T_m^t p_m^m - (\nabla_x T_m^t - \nabla_m T) p^m\}] - k.l.j. \quad (2.7)$$

If $C_{kjih} = 0$, Eq.(2.6) implies

$${}^*C_{kjih} + M_{kjih} = 0. \quad (2.8)$$

Conversely, if (2.8) is satisfied, (2.6) gives $C_{kjih} = 0$. Hence we have

Theorem 2.1

A necessary and sufficient condition for a Riemannian manifold M admitting a quarter-symmetric metric connection (2.1) to be conformally flat is given by (2.8).

From (2.6) we can see that if ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$, $M_{kjih} = 0$ and conversely if $M_{kjih} = 0$, we get ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$. Hence we have

Theorem 2.2

A necessary and sufficient condition for ${}^*C_{kjih}$ to be equal to conformal curvature tensor is that M_{kjih} vanishes identically.

If $M_{kjih} = 0$, by multiplying (2.7) by $g^{ji} g^{kh}$ we obtain on simplification

$$p^t (\nabla_k T_x^t - \nabla_x T) = n T_k^t p_x^t. \quad (2.9)$$

Now we shall consider some special cases.

Case I - If we assume $T_{kh} = C_{kh} = -\frac{K_{kh}}{(n-2)} + \frac{K g_{kh}}{2(n-1)(n-2)}$ Eq. (2.9)

gives

$$p^t \nabla_x K + n K p = 2n(n-1) K_k^t p_x^t. \quad (2.10)$$

From (2.10) we obtain the following Corollary to Theorem 2.2.

Corollary 1

If a Riemannian manifold M admits a quarter-symmetric metric connection (2.1) for $T_{kh} = C_{kh}$ and satisfies ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$, it also satisfies (2.10).

If in (2.10), $K_k^t = a \delta_k^t$, for some constant $a \neq 0$, we get $(n-2)p = 0$. Hence we have

Corollary 2

If a Riemannian manifold M admits a quarter-symmetric metric connection (2.1) for $T_{kh} = C_{kh}$, $K_k^t = a \delta_k^t$ and also satisfies ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$, then p vanishes identically.

Case II - If we assume $T_{kh} = G_{kh} = K_{kh} - \frac{1}{2} K g_{kh}$, similar to (2.10) we get

$$(n-2)p^t \nabla_k K + n K p = 2n K_{kh} p_k^t, \quad (2.11)$$

which implies a result similar to Corollary 1.

Case III - If $T_{kh} = K_{kh}$, (2.9) gives

$$n K_{kh} p_k^t + \frac{1}{2} p^t \nabla_k K = 0. \quad (2.12)$$

Now leaving the trivial case of $p^t = 0$, from (2.12) we can obtain

Corollary 3

If a Riemannian manifold M admits a quarter-symmetric metric connection (2.1) for $T_{kh} = K_{kh}$ and if it satisfies $*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$ also, a necessary and sufficient condition for it to be of constant scalar curvature K is that it satisfies $K_{kh} p_k^t = 0$.

Case IV - If $T_{kh} = \alpha g_{kh}$, for some scalar $\alpha \neq 0$, and if we also have $p_h \nabla_k \alpha = 0$, from equation (2.6) we get $*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$. Conversely, if $*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$, we obtain from (2.7)

$$(p_h g_{ji} \nabla_k \alpha + p_i g_{kh} \nabla_j \alpha) - j|k = 0, \quad (2.13)$$

which implies $p^j \nabla_j \alpha = 0$, $p_h \nabla_k \alpha = 0$. Hence, we have

Corollary 4

If a Riemannian manifold M admits a quarter-symmetric metric connection (2.1) for $T_{kh} = \alpha g_{kh}$, a necessary and sufficient condition for $*C_{kjih}$ to be identically equal to conformal curvature tensor C_{kjih} is given by $p_h \nabla_k \alpha = 0$.

Case V - If $T_{kh} = g_{kh}$, Corollary 4 easily gives $*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$ as obtained for semi-symmetric case by Amur and Pujar [1].

3. SKEW-SYMMETRIC T_{ji}

If T_{ji} is skew-symmetric $U_{ji} = 0$ and (1.1), (1.2) respectively reduce to [6]

$$\Gamma_{ji}^h = \{ \Gamma_{ji}^h \} - p_j T_i^h \quad (3.1)$$

and

$$R_{kji}^h = K_{kji}^h - [T_i^h \nabla_k p_j + p_j \nabla_k T_i^h] - j|k. \quad (3.2)$$

From (3.2) it is easy to obtain

$$R_{ji} = K_{ji} - T_i^h (\nabla_h p_j - \nabla_j p_h) - p_j \nabla_h T_i^h + p_h \nabla_j T_i^h \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$R = K + 2 \nabla_h (T^h_j p_j). \quad (3.4)$$

If we substitute from (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4) in (2.5) we get

$$*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih} + N_{kjih}, \quad (3.5)$$

where

$$N_{kjih} \stackrel{dy}{=} [T_{ih} \nabla_j p_k - p_j \nabla_k T_{ih} + (n-2)^{-1} \{ (\nabla_a p_j - \nabla_j p_a) (g_{kh} T_i^a - g_{ki} T_h^a) + g_{kh} (p_j \nabla_a T_i^a - p_a \nabla_j T_i^a + (n-1)^{-1} g_{ji} \nabla_a (T^{ab} p_b)) + g_{ji} (p_k \nabla_a T_h^a - p_a \nabla_k T_h^a + (n-1)^{-1} g_{kh} \cdot \nabla_a (T^{ab} p_b)) \}] - j|k \quad (3.6)$$

If $C_{kjih} = 0$ equation (3.5) gives $*C_{kjih} = N_{kjih}$, conversely if $*C_{kjih} = N_{kjih}$, we get $C_{kjih} = 0$. Hence we have

Theorem 3.1

A necessary and sufficient condition for a Riemannian manifold M admitting a quarter-symmetric metric connection (3.1) to be conformally flat is given by ${}^*C_{kjih} = N_{kjih}$.

Further if ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$, $N_{kjih} = 0$ and conversely if $N_{kjih} = 0$, ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$. Hence we have

Theorem 3.2

A necessary and sufficient condition for ${}^*C_{kjih}$ to be equal to conformal curvature tensor is that N_{kjih} vanishes identically.

If we multiply (3.6) by $g^{ji}g^{kh}$ and put $N_{kjih} = 0$, we get

$$\nabla_k (T^{ak} p_a) = 0. \quad (3.7)$$

Hence we have

Corollary 5

If a Riemannian manifold M admits (3.1) and satisfies ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$ it also satisfies (3.7).

4. KAEHLERIAN MANIFOLD

We now assume that M is a Kaehlerian manifold of $2n$ ($n \geq 2$) dimension with metric tensor g_{ji} and almost complex structure tensor F_i^h satisfying $F_j^t F_t^h = -\delta_j^h$, $F_j^t F_i^s \epsilon_{ts} = \epsilon_{ji}$, $F_{ji} = -F_{ij}$, $F_{ji} = F_j^t \epsilon_{ti}$, $\nabla_k F_i^h = 0$. Now we shall consider some special cases.

Case I - If $\pi_1^h = F_1^h$, Eqs. (3.1) and (3.2) respectively reduce to

$$\Gamma_{ji}^h = \{j_i^h\} - p_j F_i^h \quad (4.1)$$

and

$$R_{kji}^h = K_{kji}^h - (\nabla_k p_j - \nabla_j p_k) F_i^h. \quad (4.2)$$

From (4.2) it is easy to get

$$R_{ji} = K_{ji} - (\nabla_k p_j - \nabla_j p_k) F_i^k \quad (4.3)$$

and

$$R = K - 2 F^{jk} \nabla_k p_j. \quad (4.4)$$

For this case from (3.6) we shall have

$$N_{kjih} = [F_{ih} \nabla_j p_k + (2n-2)^{-1} \{(\nabla_a p_j - \nabla_j p_a)(\partial_{kh} F_i^a - \partial_{ki} F_a^h) + 2(2n-1)^{-1} g_{kl} g_{ji} F^{ab} \nabla_a p_b\}] - j|k. \quad (4.5)$$

If in a special case p_i is a gradient vector $R_{kji}^h = K_{kji}^h$, $R_{ji} = K_{ji}$ and $R = K$, therefore, $N_{kjih} = 0$ and ${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih}$. Hence we have

Theorem 4.1

If a Kaehlerian manifold M admits a quarter-symmetric metric connection (4.1) and p_j is a gradient vector the tensor ${}^*C_{kjih}$ is identically equal to conformal curvature tensor C_{kjih} .

Case II - If $U_{ji} = \epsilon_{ji}$ and $V_i^h = F_i^h$, Eq.(1.1) gives

$$\Gamma_{ji}^h = \{j_i^h\} + \delta_j^h p_i - p_j F_i^h - g_{ji} p^h, \quad (4.6)$$

while (1.2) gives

$$R_{kji}^h = K_{kji}^h - [\delta_k^h p_j + p_k g_{ji} + F_i^h \nabla_k p_j - F_k^h p_j p_i + F_{ij} p_k p^h + \delta_k^h F_i^t p_j p_t - p_k p^t F_t^h g_{ji}] - j|k. \quad (4.7)$$

From (4.7) we can easily obtain

$$R_{ji} = K_{ji} - [2(n-1)p_{ji} + p_j g_{ji} + F_i^h (\nabla_k p_j - \nabla_j p_k) + F_j^h p_k p_i - F_{ji} p_k p^h + (2n-3)F_i^t p_t p_j] \quad (4.8)$$

and

$$R = K - 2 [F^{jh} \nabla_h p_j + (2n-1)p]. \quad (4.9)$$

In analogy to (2.6) we can obtain

$${}^*C_{kjih} = C_{kjih} - L_{kjih}, \quad (4.10)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} L_{kjih} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & [g_{kh} M_{ji} + g_{ki} M_{jh} - F_{kh} (p_j p_k + (2n-2)^{-1} g_{ji} p^e p_e) \\ & + F_{ki} (p_j p_k + (2n-2)^{-1} g_{jh} p^e p_e) + F_{ih} \nabla_k p_j \\ & - (2n-3)(2n-2)^{-1} (g_{kh} F_i^t p_e p_j \\ & + g_{ji} F_h^t p_e p_k) + (n-1)^{-1} (2n-1)^{-1} g_{kh} g_{ji} \\ & \cdot (F^{tm} \nabla_m p_e + (2n-1)p)] - \delta_{jk}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

and

$$M_{ji} = F_i^t p_e p_j - (2n-2)^{-1} (p_j p_i + F_i^t (\nabla_t p_j - \nabla_j p_t) + F_j^t p_e p_i).$$

From (4.10) we can obtain

Theorem 4.2

If a Kählerian manifold M admits a quarter-symmetric metric connection (4.6), a necessary and sufficient condition for ${}^*C_{kjih}$ to be equal to conformal curvature tensor C_{kjih} is that L_{kijh} vanishes identically

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