

Characterization on $N(k)$ -Mixed Quasi-Einstein Manifold

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Abstract

In the present paper we study characterizations of odd and even dimensional $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold and finally prove that a $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold is a semi mixed quasi-Einstein manifold under a certain condition.

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1. Introduction

A Riemannian manifold (M, g) with dimension $(n \geq 2)$ is said to be an Einstein manifold if the Ricci tensor satisfies the condition $S(X, Y) = \frac{r}{n}g(X, Y)$, holds on M , here S and r denote the Ricci tensor and the scalar curvature of (M, g) respectively. According to [8] the above equation is called the Einstein metric condition. Einstein manifolds play an important role in Riemannian Geometry, as well as in general theory of relativity. The notion of quasi-Einstein manifold were defined in ([3],[7],[10],[14],[16],[17]). A non-flat Riemannian manifold (M, g) , $(n \geq 2)$ is said to be an quasi Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + bA(X)A(Y) \tag{1.1}$$

where a and b are scalars of which $b \neq 0$ and A is non-zero 1-form such that $g(X, U) = A(X)$ for all vector field X and U is a unit vector field.

The notion of quasi Einstein manifold was introduced in a paper [10] by M.C.Chaki and R.K.Maity. According to them a non-flat Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g), (n \geq 3)$ is defined to be a quasi Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + bA(X)A(Y) \quad (1.2)$$

and is not identically zero, where a, b are scalars $b \neq 0$ and A is a non-zero 1-form such that

$$g(X, U) = A(X), \quad \forall X \in TM. \quad (1.3)$$

U being a unit vector field.

In such a case a, b are called the associated scalars. A is called the associated 1-form and U is called the generator of the manifold. Such an n -dimensional manifold is denoted by the symbol $(QE)_n$.

Again, U.C.De and G.C.Ghosh defined generalized quasi Einstein manifold [12]. A non-flat Riemannian manifold is called a generalized quasi Einstein manifold ([2], [4], [5], [6], [9], [15], [18]) if its Ricci-tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ is non-zero and satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + bA(X)A(Y) + cB(X)B(Y) \quad (1.4)$$

where a, b, c , are non-zero scalars and A, B are two 1-forms such that

$$g(X, U) = A(X) \text{ and } g(X, V) = B(X) \quad (1.5)$$

U, V being unit vectors which are orthogonal, i.e,

$$g(U, V) = 0. \quad (1.6)$$

The vector fields U and V are called the generators of the manifold. This type of manifold are denoted by $G(QE)_n$.

The k -nullity distribution [29] of a Riemannian manifold M is defined by

$$N(k) : p \rightarrow N_p(k) = \{Z \in T_pM \setminus R(X, Y)Z = k(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y)\}. \quad (1.7)$$

for all $X, Y \in TM$ and k is a smooth function. M.M.Tripathi and Jeong jik kim [28] introduced the notion of $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold which defined as follows: If the generator U belongs to the k -nullity distribution $N(k)$, then a quasi

Einstein manifold (M^n, g) is called $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold.

In [26], H.G. Nagaraja introduced the concept of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi Einstein manifold and mixed quasi constant curvature. A non flat Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is called a $N(k)$ -mixed quasi Einstein manifold [11] if its Ricci tensor of type $(0, 2)$ is non zero and satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + bA(X)B(Y) + cB(X)A(Y), \quad (1.8)$$

where a, b, c , are smooth functions and A, B are non zero 1-forms such that

$$g(X, U) = A(X) \text{ and } g(X, V) = B(X) \quad \forall X, \quad (1.9)$$

U, V being the orthogonal unit vector fields called generators of the manifold belong to $N(k)$. Such a manifold is denoted by the symbol $N(k) - (MQE)_n$.

Again a Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is called of mixed quasi constant curvature [11] if it is conformally flat and curvature tensor R of type $(0, 4)$ satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y, Z, W) = & p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)] \\ & +q[g(X, W)A(Y)B(Z) - g(X, Z)A(Y)B(W) \\ & +g(X, W)A(Z)B(Y) - g(X, Z)A(W)B(Y)] \\ & +s[g(Y, Z)A(W)B(X) - g(Y, W)A(Z)B(X) \\ & +g(Y, Z)A(X)B(W) - g(Y, W)A(X)B(Z)]. \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

Let M be an m -dimensional, $m \geq 3$, Riemannian manifold and $p \in M$. Denote by $K(\pi)$ or $K(U \wedge V)$ the sectional curvature of M associated with a plane section $\pi \subseteq T_p M$, where $\{U, V\}$ is an orthonormal basis of π . For a n -dimensional subspace $L \subseteq T_p M$, $2 \leq n \leq m$, its scalar curvature $\tau(L)$ is denoted by $\tau(L) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} K(e_i \wedge e_j)$, where $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ is any orthonormal basis of

L ([14]).

In [13] the result for odd dimensional Einstein spaces was obtained by Dumitru. Also in [7] Bejan generalized these results (both odd and even dimensions) to quasi Einstein manifold. Also characterization of super quasi-Einstein manifold for both of odd and even dimensions was studied in [20]. From above studies, we have given characterization of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold for both of odd and even dimensions. Next we obtain that a $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold is semi mixed quasi-Einstein manifold if either of generators is parallel vector field.

Geodesic mappings of Einstein spaces were studied in ([19],[21],[22],[23],[24],[25]).

2. Characterization of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold

In this section we establish the characterization of odd and even dimensional $N(k) - (MQE)_n$.

Theorem 2.1. *A Riemannian manifold of dimension $(2n + 1)$ with $n \geq 2$ is $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold if and only if the Ricci operator Q has eigen vector fields U and V such that at any point $p \in M$, there exist three real numbers α and β satisfying*

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(P) + \alpha &= \tau(P^\perp); \quad U, V \in T_p P^\perp, \\ \tau(N) + \alpha &= \tau(N^\perp); \quad U \in T_p N, \quad V \in T_p N^\perp, \\ \tau(R) + \beta &= \tau(R^\perp); \quad U \in T_p R, \quad V \in T_p R^\perp, \end{aligned}$$

for any n -plane sections P, N and $(n + 1)$ -plane section R where P^\perp, N^\perp and R^\perp denote the orthogonal complements of P, N and R in $T_p M$ respectively and

$$\alpha = a/2, \quad \beta = -c/2,$$

where a, b, c are scalars.

Proof. First suppose that M is a $(2n + 1)$ dimensional $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold, so

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + bA(X)B(Y) + cA(Y)B(X), \quad (2.1)$$

where a, b, c are scalars such that b, c are nonzero and A, B are two nonzero 1-forms such that $g(X, U) = A(X)$ and $g(X, V) = B(X)$, $\forall X \in \chi(M)$, U, V being unit vectors which are orthogonal, i.e., $g(U, V) = 0$.

Let $P \subseteq T_p M$ be an n -dimensional plane orthogonal to U, V and let $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ be orthonormal basis of it. Since U and V are orthogonal to P , we can take orthonormal basis $\{e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ of P^\perp such that $e_{2n} = U$ and $e_{2n+1} = V$. Thus $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $T_p M$. Then we can take $X = Y = e_i$ in (2.1), we have

$$S(e_i, e_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{2n+1} R(e_j, e_i, e_i, e_j) = \begin{cases} a, & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\ a, & \text{for } i = 2n \\ a, & \text{for } i = 2n + 1 \end{cases}$$

By use of (2.1) for any $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} S(e_1, e_1) &= K(e_1 \wedge e_2) + K(e_1 \wedge e_3) + \dots + K(e_1 \wedge e_{2n-1}) + K(e_1 \wedge U) + K(e_1 \wedge V) = a, \\ S(e_2, e_2) &= K(e_2 \wedge e_1) + K(e_2 \wedge e_3) + \dots + K(e_2 \wedge e_{2n-1}) + K(e_2 \wedge U) + K(e_2 \wedge V) = a, \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} S(e_{2n-1}, e_{2n-1}) &= K(e_{2n-1} \wedge e_1) + K(e_{2n-1} \wedge e_2) + K(e_{2n-1} \wedge e_3) + \dots + K(e_{2n-1} \wedge V) = a, \\ S(U, U) &= K(U \wedge e_1) + K(U \wedge e_2) + \dots + K(U \wedge e_{2n-1}) + K(U \wedge V) = a, \\ S(V, V) &= K(V \wedge e_1) + K(V \wedge e_2) + \dots + K(V \wedge e_{2n-1}) + K(V \wedge U) = a. \end{aligned}$$

Adding first n -equations, we get

$$2\tau(P) + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n < j \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j) = na. \quad (2.2)$$

Then adding the last $(n + 1)$ -equations, we have

$$2\tau(P^\perp) + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n < i \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j) = (n + 1)a. \quad (2.3)$$

Then, by subtracting the equation (2.2) and (2.3), we obtain

$$\tau(P^\perp) - \tau(P) = a/2.$$

Therefore $\tau(P) + \alpha = \tau(P^\perp)$, where,

$$\alpha = a/2.$$

Similarly, Let $N \subseteq T_p M$ be an n -dimensional plane orthogonal to V and let $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ be orthonormal basis of it. Since V is orthogonal to N , we can take an orthonormal basis $\{e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ of N^\perp orthogonal to U , such that $e_n = U$ and $e_{2n+1} = V$, respectively. Thus, $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $T_p M$. Then we can take $X = Y = e_i$ in (2.1) to have

$$S(e_i, e_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{2n+1} R(e_j, e_i, e_i, e_j) = \begin{cases} a, & 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ a, & i = n \\ a, & n+1 \leq i \leq 2n \\ a, & i = 2n+1 \end{cases}$$

Adding first n -equations, we get

$$2\tau(N) + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n < j \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j) = na, \quad (2.4)$$

and adding the last $(n + 1)$ -equations, we have

$$2\tau(N^\perp) + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n < i \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j) = (n + 1)a. \quad (2.5)$$

Then, by subtracting the equation (2.4) and (2.5), we obtain

$$\tau(N^\perp) - \tau(N) = a/2.$$

Therefore $\tau(N) + \alpha = \tau(N^\perp)$, where,

$$\alpha = a/2.$$

Analogously, Let $R \subseteq T_p M$ be an $(n+1)$ -plane orthogonal to V and let $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n+1}\}$ be orthonormal basis of it. Since V is orthogonal to R , we can take an orthonormal basis $\{e_{n+2}, e_{n+3}, \dots, e_{2n}, e_{2n+1}\}$ of R^\perp orthogonal to U , such that $e_{n+1} = U$

and $e_{2n+1} = V$. Thus, $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ is an orthonormal basis of T_pM . Then we can take $X = Y = e_i$ in (2.1) to have

$$S(e_i, e_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{2n+1} R(e_j, e_i, e_i, e_j) = \begin{cases} a, & 1 \leq i \leq n \\ a, & i = n + 1 \\ a, & n + 2 \leq i \leq 2n \\ a, & i = 2n + 1 \end{cases}$$

Adding the first $(n + 1)$ -equations, we get

$$2\tau(R) + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n+1 < j \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j) = (n + 1)a, \tag{2.6}$$

and adding the last n -equations, we have

$$2\tau(R^\perp) + \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n+1 < i \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j) = na. \tag{2.7}$$

Then, by subtracting the equation (2.6) and (2.7), we obtain

$$\tau(R^\perp) - \tau(R) = -a/2.$$

Therefore $\tau(R) + \beta = \tau(R^\perp)$, where,

$$\beta = -a/2.$$

Conversely, let V_1 be an arbitrary unit vector of T_pM , at $p \in M$, orthogonal to U and V . We take an orthonormal basis $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ of T_pM such that $V_1 = e_1, e_{n+1} = U$ and $e_{2n+1} = V$. We consider n -plane section N and $(n + 1)$ -plane section R in T_pM as follows $N = \text{span} \{e_2, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}\}$ and $R = \text{span} \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, e_{n+1}\}$ respectively. Then we have $N^\perp = \text{span} \{e_1, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}, e_{2n+1}\}$ and $R^\perp = \text{span} \{e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}\}$ respectively. Now

$$\begin{aligned} S(V_1, V_1) &= [K(e_1 \wedge e_2) + K(e_1 \wedge e_3) + \dots + K(e_1 \wedge e_{n+1})] \\ &\quad + [K(e_1 \wedge e_{n+2}) + \dots + K(e_1 \wedge e_{2n}) + K(e_1 \wedge e_{2n+1})] \\ &= [\tau(R) - \sum_{2 \leq i < j \leq n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j)] + [\tau(N^\perp) - \sum_{n+2 \leq i < j \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j)] \\ &= \tau(R) - \tau(N) + \tau(N^\perp) - \tau(R^\perp) = [\tau(R) - \tau(N)] + [\tau(N) + \alpha - \tau(R) - \beta] = \alpha - \beta. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $S(V_1, V_1) = \alpha - \beta$, for any unit vector $V_1 \in T_pM$, orthogonal to U and V . Then we can write for any $1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1$, $S(e_i, e_i) = \alpha - \beta$, since $S(V_1, V_1) = (\alpha - \beta)g(V_1, V_1)$. It follows that $S(X, X) = (\alpha - \beta)g(X, X)$ and $S(Y, Y) = (\alpha - \beta)g(Y, Y) + K_1A(Y)B(Y) + K_2B(Y)A(Y)$ for any $X \in [\text{span}\{U\}]^\perp$ and $Y \in [\text{span}\{V\}]^\perp$, where A, B are the dual forms of U and V with respect to g , respectively and K_1, K_2 are scalars, such that $K_1 \neq 0, K_2 \neq 0$.

Now from the above equations, we get from symmetry that S with tensors $(\alpha - \beta)g$ and $(\alpha - \beta) + K_1(A \otimes B) + K_2(B \otimes A)$ must coincide on the complement of U and V ,

respectively, that is $S(X, Y) = (\alpha - \beta)g(X, Y) + K_1A(X)B(Y) + K_2B(X)A(Y)$, for any $X, Y \in [\text{span}\{U, V\}]^\perp$. Since U and V are eigenvector fields of Q , we also have $S(X, U) = 0$ and $S(Y, V) = 0$ for any $X, Y \in T_pM$ orthogonal to U and V . Thus, we can extend the above equation to

$$S(X, Z) = (\alpha - \beta)g(X, Z) + K_1A(X)B(Z) + K_2A(Z)B(X) \quad (2.8)$$

, for any $X \in [\text{span}\{U, V\}]^\perp$ and $Z \in T_pM$, where K_1, K_2 , are scalars and $K_1 \neq 0, K_2 \neq 0$. Now, let us consider the n -plane section P and $(n + 1)$ -plane section R in T_pM as follows $P = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ and $R = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, U\}$. Then we have $P^\perp = \text{span}\{U, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$ and $R^\perp = \text{span}\{e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}, e_{2n+1}\}$ respectively. Now

$$\begin{aligned} S(U, U) &= [K(U \wedge e_1) + K(U \wedge e_2) + \dots + K(U \wedge e_n)] \\ &\quad + [K(U \wedge e_{n+2}) + \dots + K(U \wedge e_{2n}) + K(e_1 \wedge e_{2n+1})] \\ &= [\tau(R) - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} K(e_i \wedge e_j)] + [\tau(P^\perp) - \sum_{n+2 \leq i < j \leq 2n+1} K(e_i \wedge e_j)] \\ &= \tau(R) - \tau(P) + \tau(P^\perp) - \tau(R^\perp) = [\tau(R) - \tau(P)] + [\alpha + \tau(P) - \beta - \tau(R)] = \alpha - \beta. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we can write

$$S(U, U) = (\alpha - \beta)g(U, U). \quad (2.9)$$

Analogously, let us consider the n -plane section P and $N \in T_pM$ as follows $P = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ and $N = \text{span}\{e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}\}$ respectively. Then we have $P^\perp = \text{span}\{e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}, V\}$ and $N^\perp = \text{span}\{e_1, \dots, e_n, V\}$ respectively. Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(V, V) &= [K(V \wedge e_1) + K(V \wedge e_2) + \dots + K(V \wedge e_n)] \\ &\quad + [K(V \wedge e_{n+1}) + K(V \wedge e_{n+2}) + \dots + K(e_2 \wedge e_{2n})] \\ &= [\tau(N^\perp) - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} K(e_i \wedge e_j)] + [\tau(P^\perp) - \sum_{n+1 \leq i < j \leq 2n} K(e_i \wedge e_j)] \\ &= \tau(N^\perp) - \tau(P) + \tau(P^\perp) - \tau(N) = [\tau(N) + \alpha - \tau(P)] + [\alpha + \tau(P) - \tau(N)] = 2\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we get

$$S(V, V) = 2\alpha g(V, V) + K_1A(V)B(V) + K_2A(V)B(V). \quad (2.10)$$

Now from (2.8), (2.9) and (2.10) we can write the Ricci tensor by

$$S(X, Y) = \lambda_1 g(X, Y) + K_1A(X)B(Y) + K_2B(X)A(Y), \quad (2.11)$$

for any $X, Y \in T_pM$. From (2.11) it follows that M is a $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold, where λ_1, K_1, K_2 , are scalars and $K_1 \neq 0, K_2 \neq 0$. Hence the theorem is proved.

Theorem 2.2. *A Riemannian manifold of dimension $2n$ with $n \geq 2$ is $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold if and only if the Ricci operator Q has eigen vector fields U and V such that at any point $p \in M$, satisfying*

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(P) &= \tau(P^\perp); U, V \in T_p P^\perp, \\ \tau(N) &= \tau(N^\perp); U \in T_p N, V \in T_p N^\perp, \\ \tau(R) &= \tau(R^\perp); U \in T_p R, V \in T_p R^\perp, \end{aligned}$$

for any n -plane section P, N and $(n + 1)$ -plane section R where P^\perp, N^\perp and R^\perp denote the orthogonal complements of P, N and R in $T_p M$ respectively.

Proof. Let P and R be n -plane sections and N be an $(n - 1)$ -plane section such that, $P = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$, $R = \text{span}\{e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}\}$ and $N = \text{span}\{e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ respectively. Therefore the orthogonal complements of these sections can be written as $P^\perp = \text{span}\{e_{n+1}, e_{n+2}, \dots, e_{2n}\}$, $R^\perp = \text{span}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ and $N^\perp = \text{span}\{e_1, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{2n}\}$.

Then rest of the proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1.

3. $N(k) - MQE_n$ with the parallel vector field generators

Theorem 3.1. *A $N(k)$ - mixed quasi-Einstein manifold is semi-mixed quasi-Einstein manifold if either of generators is parallel vector field.*

Proof. By the definition of the Riemannian curvature tensor, if U is parallel vector field, then we find that

$$R(X, Y)U = \nabla_X \nabla_Y U - \nabla_Y \nabla_X U - \nabla_{[X, Y]} U = 0,$$

and consequently we get

$$S(X, U) = 0. \tag{3.1}$$

Again, putting $Y = U$ in the equation (1.8) and applying (1.9) , we have

$$S(X, U) = ag(X, U) + cg(X, V).$$

So, if U is a parallel vector field, by (3.1), we get

$$ag(X, U) + cg(X, V) = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

Now, putting $X = V$ in the equation (3.2) and using (1.9) we get $c = 0$. So, if U is parallel vector field in a mixed-quasi-Einstein manifold, then the manifold is semi-mixed quasi Einstein manifold.

Again, if V is parallel vector field, then $R(X, Y)V = 0$. Contracting, we get

$$S(Y, V) = 0. \tag{3.3}$$

Putting $X = V$ in the equation (1.8) and applying (1.9), we obtain

$$S(Y, V) = ag(Y, V) + bg(Y, U).$$

If, V is a parallel vector field, by (3.3), we get

$$ag(Y, V) + bg(Y, U) = 0. \quad (3.4)$$

Putting $Y = U$ and using (3.4), (1.9), we obtain $b = 0$, i.e., the manifold is semi mixed quasi-Einstein manifold.

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