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Some Classes of Pseudosymmetric Contact Metric 3-Manifolds

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We study (a) the class of 3-dimensional pseudosymmetric contact metric manifolds with harmonic curvature and *Trl* constant along the direction of ξ and (b) the class of (κ , μ , ν)-contact metric pseudosymmetric 3-manifolds of type constant in the direction of ξ .

1. Introduction

A Riemannian manifold (M^m, g) is said to be pseudosymmetric according to Deszcz [1] if its curvature tensor *R* satisfies the condition $R(X, Y) \cdot R = L\{(X \land Y) \cdot R\}$, where the dot means that R(X, Y) acts as a derivation on *R*, *L* is a smooth function and the endomorphism field $X \land Y$ is defined by

$$(X \wedge Y)Z = g(Y, Z)X - g(Z, X)Y, \tag{1.1}$$

for all vectors fields *X*, *Y*, *Z* on *M* and it similarly acts as a derivation on *R*.

If *L* is constant, *M* is called a pseudosymmetric manifold of constant type and if particularly L = 0 then *M* is called a semisymmetric manifold first studied by E. Cartan. Semisymmetric spaces [2, 3] are a generalization of locally symmetric spaces ($\nabla R = 0$, [4]) while pseudosymmetric spaces are a natural generalization of semisymmetric spaces. There are many details and examples on pseudosymmetric manifolds in [1, 5]. We remark that in dimension three, the pseudosymmetry is equivalent to the condition: the eigenvalues ρ_1 , ρ_2 , ρ_3 of the Ricci tensor satisfy $\rho_1 = \rho_2$ (up to numeration) and the last one is constant [6, 7]. Kowalski and Sekizawa have studied [7–10] 3-dimensional pseudosymmetric spaces of constant type. Hashimoto and Sekizawa classified 3-dimensional conformally flat pseudosymmetric spaces of constant type [11] and finally Calvaruso [12] gave the complete classification of conformally flat pseudosymmetric spaces of constant type for dimensions >2. Cho and Inoguchi [13] studied pseudosymmetric contact homogeneous 3-manifolds while Cho et al. [14] give the conditions so as 3-dimensional trans-Sasakians, quasi-Sasakians, non-Sasakian generalized (κ , μ)-spaces to be pseudosymmetric. Belkhelfa et al. [15] studied pseudosymmetric Sasakian space forms of any dimension. Finally Gouli-Andreou and Moutafi in [16, 17] have studied some classes of pseudosymmetric contact metric 3-manifolds.

The aim of this paper is the study of the 3-dimension pseudosymmetric contact metric manifolds. The paper is organized in the following way: in Section 2 we will give some preliminaries on pseudosymmetric manifolds and contact manifolds as well and in the next sections we will study 3-dimensional manifolds which satisfy one of the following conditions.

- (i) *M* is a pseudosymmetric contact metric manifold with harmonic curvature and Trl constant along the direction of ξ .
- (ii) *M* is a (κ, μ, ν)-contact metric pseudosymmetric manifold of type constant in the direction of *ξ*.

2. Preliminaries

Let $(M^m, g), m \ge 3$ be a connected Riemannian smooth manifold. We denote by R its Riemannian curvature tensor given by the equation $R(X, Y)Z = [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y]Z - \nabla_{[X,Y]}Z$ for any $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ and where ∇ is the Levi-Civita connection of M^m .

Definition 2.1. A Riemannian manifold (M^m, g) , $m \ge 3$, is called *pseudosymmetric* in the sense of Deszcz [1] if at every point of M the curvature tensor satisfies the condition:

$$(R(X,Y) \cdot R)(X_1, X_2, X_3) = L\{((X \land Y) \cdot R)(X_1, X_2, X_3)\}$$
(2.1)

or more explixitly:

$$R(X,Y)(R(X_1,X_2)X_3) - R(R(X,Y)X_1,X_2)X_3 - R(X_1,R(X,Y)X_2)X_3 - R(X_1,X_2)(R(X,Y)X_3)$$

= $L\{(X \land Y)(R(X_1,X_2)X_3) - R((X \land Y)X_1,X_2)X_3$
 $-R(X_1,(X \land Y)X_2)X_3 - R(X_1,X_2)((X \land Y)X_3)\},$
(2.2)

for any $X, Y, X_1, X_2, X_3 \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$, $X \wedge Y$ is given by (1.1) and *L* is a smooth function.

Definition 2.2. A differentiable manifold M^{2n+1} endowed with a global 1-form η such that $\eta \wedge (d\eta)^n \neq 0$ everywhere on M is called a *contact* manifold.

Given a contact manifold (M, η) , there is an underlying contact metric structure (η, ξ, ϕ, g) where *g* is a Riemannian metric (the *associated* metric), ϕ a global tensor of type (1,1), and ξ a unique global vector field (the *characteristic* or *Reeb vector field*). A differentiable (2n + 1)-dimensional manifold endowed with a contact metric structure (η, ξ, ϕ, g) is called a *contact metric* (Riemannian) manifold denoted by $M(\eta, \xi, \phi, g)$. The structure tensors η, ξ, ϕ , and *g* satisfy the equations:

$$\phi^{2} = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \qquad \eta(X) = g(X,\xi), \qquad \eta(\xi) = 1,$$

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

The associated metrics can be constructed polarizing $d\eta$ on the contact subbundle *D* defined by $\eta = 0$. Denoting by *L* the Lie differentiation and *R* the curvature tensor, respectively, we define the tensor fields *h*, *l*, and τ by

$$hX = \frac{1}{2}(L_{\xi}\phi)X, \qquad lX = R(X,\xi)\xi, \qquad \tau(X,Y) = (L_{\xi}g)(X,Y).$$
 (2.4)

These tensors also satisfy the following formulas:

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$$\phi\xi = h\xi = l\xi = 0, \qquad \eta \circ \phi = \eta \circ h = 0, \qquad d\eta(\xi, X) = 0, \tag{2.5}$$

$$Trh = Trh\phi = 0, \quad \nabla_X \xi = -\phi X - \phi h X, \quad h\phi = -\phi h,$$
 (2.6)

$$hX = \lambda X \implies h\phi X = -\lambda\phi X,$$
 (2.7)

$$\nabla_{\xi} h = \phi - \phi l - \phi h^2, \qquad \phi l \phi - l = 2\left(\phi^2 + h^2\right), \tag{2.8}$$

$$\nabla_{\xi}\phi = 0, \qquad Trl = g(Q\xi,\xi) = 2n - Trh^2. \tag{2.9}$$

h = 0 (or equivalently $\tau = 0$) if and only if ξ is Killing and M is called *K*-contact. A contact structure on M implies an almost complex structure on the product manifold $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$. If this structure is integrable, then the contact metric manifold is said to be *Sasakian*. A *K*-contact structure is Sasakian only in dimension 3, and this fails in higher dimensions. More details on contact manifolds we can find in [18, 19].

Let (M, ϕ, ξ, η, g) be a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold and U the open subset of points $p \in M$ where $h \neq 0$ in a neighborhood of p and U_0 the open subset of points $p \in M$ such that h = 0 in a neighborhood of p. Because h is a smooth function on M then $U \cup U_0$ is an open and dense subset of M so if a property is satisfied in $U_0 \cup U$ then this property will be satisfied in M. For any point $p \in U \cup U_0$ there exists a local orthonormal basis $\{e, \phi e, \xi\}$ of smooth eigenvectors of h in a neighborhood of p (a ϕ -basis). On U, we put $he = \lambda e$, where λ is a non vanishing smooth function which is supposed positive. From (2.7), we have $h\phi e = -\lambda \phi e$. We recall the following. Lemma 2.3 (see [20]). On U, one has

$$\nabla_{\xi}e = a\phi e, \qquad \nabla_{e}e = b\phi e, \qquad \nabla_{\phi e}e = -c\phi e + (\lambda - 1)\xi,$$

$$\nabla_{\xi}\phi e = -ae, \qquad \nabla_{e}\phi e = -be + (1 + \lambda)\xi, \qquad \nabla_{\phi e}\phi e = ce, \qquad (2.10)$$

$$\nabla_{\xi}\xi = 0, \qquad \nabla_{e}\xi = -(1 + \lambda)\phi e, \qquad \nabla_{\phi e}\xi = (1 - \lambda)e,$$

where a is a smooth function and

$$b = \frac{1}{2\lambda} [(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + A] \quad with \ A = S(\xi, e),$$

$$c = \frac{1}{2\lambda} [(e \cdot \lambda) + B] \quad with \ B = S(\xi, \phi e).$$

(2.11)

From Lemma 2.3 and the formula $[X, Y] = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X$ we can prove that

$$[e, \phi e] = \nabla_e \phi e - \nabla_{\phi e} e = -be + c\phi e + 2\xi,$$

$$[e, \xi] = \nabla_e \xi - \nabla_{\xi} e = -(a + \lambda + 1)\phi e,$$

$$[\phi e, \xi] = \nabla_{\phi e} \xi - \nabla_{\xi} \phi e = (a - \lambda + 1)e,$$

(2.12)

and from (1.1) we estimate

$$(e \wedge \phi e)e = -\phi e, \qquad (e \wedge \xi)e = -\xi, \qquad (\phi e \wedge \xi)\xi = \phi e, (e \wedge \phi e)\phi e = e, \qquad (e \wedge \xi)\xi = e, \qquad (\phi e \wedge \xi)\phi e = -\xi,$$
(2.13)

while $(X \land Y)Z = 0$, whenever $X \neq Y \neq Z \neq X$ and $X, Y, Z \in \{e, \phi e, \xi\}$.

By direct computations we calculate the non vanishing independent components of the Riemannian curvature tensor field R (1,3):

$$R(\xi, e)\xi = -Ie - Z\phi e, \qquad R(e, \phi e)e = -C\phi e - B\xi,$$

$$R(\xi, \phi e)\xi = -Ze - D\phi e, \qquad R(\xi, e)\phi e = -Ke + Z\xi,$$

$$R(e, \phi e)\xi = Be - A\phi e, \qquad R(\xi, \phi e)\phi e = He + D\xi,$$

$$R(\xi, e)e = K\phi e + I\xi, \qquad R(e, \phi e)\phi e = Ce + A\xi,$$

$$R(\xi, \phi e)e = -H\phi e + Z\xi,$$

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where

$$C = -b^{2} - c^{2} + \lambda^{2} - 1 + 2a + (e \cdot c) + (\phi e \cdot b),$$

$$H = b(\lambda - a - 1) + (\xi \cdot c) + (\phi e \cdot a),$$

$$K = c(\lambda + a + 1) + (\xi \cdot b) - (e \cdot a),$$

$$I = -2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1,$$

$$D = 2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1,$$

$$Z = \xi \cdot \lambda.$$

(2.15)

Setting X = e, $Y = \phi e$, $Z = \xi$ in the Jacobi identity [[X, Y], Z] + [[Y, Z], X] + [[Z, X], Y] = 0and using (2.12), we get

$$b(a + \lambda + 1) - (\xi \cdot c) - (\phi e \cdot \lambda) - (\phi e \cdot a) = 0,$$

$$c(a - \lambda + 1) + (\xi \cdot b) + (e \cdot \lambda) - (e \cdot a) = 0$$
(2.16)

or equivalently: A = H and B = K.

We give the components of the Ricci operator *Q* with respect to a ϕ -basis:

$$Qe = \left(\frac{r}{2} - 1 + \lambda^2 - 2a\lambda\right)e + Z\phi e + A\xi,$$

$$Q\phi e = Ze + \left(\frac{r}{2} - 1 + \lambda^2 + 2a\lambda\right)\phi e + B\xi,$$

$$Q\xi = Ae + B\phi e + 2\left(1 - \lambda^2\right)\xi,$$

(2.17)

where

$$r = TrQ = 2\left[1 - \lambda^2 - b^2 - c^2 + 2a + (e \cdot c) + (\phi e \cdot b)\right]$$
(2.18)

is the scalar curvature. The relations (2.15) and (2.18) yield

$$C = -b^{2} - c^{2} + \lambda^{2} - 1 + 2a + (e \cdot c) + (\phi e \cdot b) = 2\lambda^{2} - 2 + \frac{r}{2},$$
(2.19)

and the relation (2.9):

$$Trl = 2\left(1 - \lambda^2\right). \tag{2.20}$$

Remark 2.4. If $M^3 = U_0$ (see [21]), Lemma 2.3 is expressed in a similar form with $\lambda = 0$, *e* is a unit vector field belonging to the contact distribution and for the functions *A*, *B*, *D*, *H*, *I*, *K* and *Z* we have: A = B = Z = H = K = 0, I = D = 1 and C = r/2 - 2.

Definition 2.5. An M^m Riemannian manifold has harmonic curvature if the Ricci operator Q satisfies the condition:

$$(\nabla_X Q)Y = (\nabla_Y Q)X, \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M).$$
 (2.21)

From now on we shall work on a $(M^3, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ contact metric 3-manifold concerning a ϕ basis $\{e, \phi e, \xi\}$ at any point $p \in M$. First from the equation $(\nabla_X Q)Y = \nabla_X (QY) - Q(\nabla_X Y)$, Lemma 2.3 and the relations (2.17), we get the equations:

$$\begin{split} (\nabla_e Q)\phi e &= \left[(e\cdot\xi\cdot\lambda) - 2b\lambda(2a+\lambda+1) + (1+\lambda)(\phi e\cdot\lambda) \right] e \\ &+ \left[\frac{(e\cdot r)}{2} + 2b(\xi\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(e\cdot a) + (4\lambda+2a+2)(e\cdot\lambda) - 4c\lambda(1+\lambda) \right] \phi e \\ &+ \left[\frac{r}{2}(\lambda+1) + 2\lambda(e\cdot c) + 2c(e\cdot\lambda) - (e\cdot e\cdot\lambda) + 3\left(\lambda^2 - 1\right)(\lambda+1) \right] \\ &- b(\phi e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(b^2 + a\lambda + a) \right] \xi, \end{split}$$

$$(\nabla_e Q)\xi &= \left[3b(e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(e\cdot b) - (e\cdot\phi e\cdot\lambda) - 2bc\lambda + (1+\lambda)(\xi\cdot\lambda) \right] e \\ &+ \left[\frac{r}{2}(\lambda+1) + 2c(e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(e\cdot c) - (e\cdot e\cdot\lambda) + 3\left(\lambda^2 - 1\right)(\lambda+1) \right] \\ &- b(\phi e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(b^2 + a\lambda + a) \right] \phi e \\ &+ \left[4c\lambda(1+\lambda) - (2+6\lambda)(e\cdot\lambda) \right] \xi, \end{split}$$

$$(\nabla_{\phi e} Q)e &= \left[\frac{(\phi e\cdot r)}{2} + (4\lambda - 2a - 2)(\phi e\cdot\lambda) - 2\lambda(\phi e\cdot a) + 4b\lambda(1-\lambda) + 2c(\xi\cdot\lambda) \right] e \\ &+ \left[4ac\lambda + (\phi e\cdot\xi\cdot\lambda) + 2c\lambda(1-\lambda) + (\lambda-1)(e\cdot\lambda) \right] \phi e \\ &+ \left[\frac{r}{2}(\lambda-1) + 2\lambda(\phi e\cdot b) - c(e\cdot\lambda) - (\phi e\cdot\phi e\cdot\lambda) + 3\left(\lambda^2 - 1\right)(\lambda-1) \right] \\ &+ 2b(\phi e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(c^2 - a\lambda + a) \right] \xi, \end{aligned}$$

$$(\nabla_{\phi e} Q)\xi &= \left[\frac{r}{2}(\lambda-1) + 2\lambda(\phi e\cdot b) - (\phi e\cdot\phi e\cdot\lambda) - c(e\cdot\lambda) + 3\left(\lambda^2 - 1\right)(\lambda-1) \right] \\ &+ 2b(\phi e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(c^2 - a\lambda + a) \right] e \\ &+ \left[-2bc\lambda + 3c(\phi e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda(\phi e\cdot c) - (\phi e\cdot e\cdot\lambda) + (\lambda-1)(\xi\cdot\lambda) \right] \phi e \\ &+ \left[4b\lambda(\lambda-1) - (6\lambda-2)(\phi e\cdot\lambda) \right] \xi, \end{split}$$

$$(\nabla_{\xi}Q)e = \left[\frac{(\xi \cdot r)}{2} + (2\lambda - 4a)(\xi \cdot \lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a)\right]e + \left[-4a^{2}\lambda + (\xi \cdot \xi \cdot \lambda)\right]\phi e + \left[-2ac\lambda + 2b(\xi \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\xi \cdot b) - (\xi \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) + a(e \cdot \lambda)\right], (\nabla_{\xi}Q)\phi e = \left[(\xi \cdot \xi \cdot \lambda) - 4a^{2}\lambda\right]e + \left[\frac{(\xi \cdot r)}{2} + (2\lambda + 4a)(\xi \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a)\right]\phi e + \left[2ab\lambda + 2c(\xi \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\xi \cdot c) - (\xi \cdot e \cdot \lambda) - a(\phi e \cdot \lambda)\right]\xi.$$
(2.22)

Applying (2.21) to the vectors fields of the ϕ -basis of the contact metric manifold M^3 we have: $(\nabla_e Q)\phi e = (\nabla_{\phi e} Q)e$, $(\nabla_e Q)\xi = (\nabla_{\xi} Q)e$ and $(\nabla_{\phi e} Q)\xi = (\nabla_{\xi} Q)\phi e$. We use the previous relations and we get the following nine (9) conditions for a contact metric 3-manifold to have harmonic curvature:

$$\begin{split} (e \cdot \xi \cdot \lambda) + (3 - 3\lambda + 2a)(\phi e \cdot \lambda) &- \frac{(\phi e \cdot r)}{2} - 2c(\xi \cdot \lambda) \\ &+ 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot a) - 2b\lambda(2a + 3 - \lambda) = 0, \\ 2b(\xi \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(e \cdot a) + (3\lambda + 2a + 3)(e \cdot \lambda) + \frac{(e \cdot r)}{2} \\ &- (\phi e \cdot \xi \cdot \lambda) - 2c\lambda(3 + 2a + \lambda) = 0, \\ r + 2\lambda(e \cdot c) - 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot b) + 3c(e \cdot \lambda) - 3b(\phi e \cdot \lambda) - (e \cdot e \cdot \lambda) \\ &+ 6(\lambda^2 - 1) + (\phi e \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(b^2 - c^2 + 2a\lambda) = 0, \\ 3b(e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(e \cdot b) - (e \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) - \frac{(\xi \cdot r)}{2} - 2bc\lambda + (4a + 1 - \lambda)(\xi \cdot \lambda) = 0, \\ &- (2 + 6\lambda + a)(e \cdot \lambda) - 2b(\xi \cdot \lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot b) + 2\lambda c(a + 2 + 2\lambda) + (\xi \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) = 0, \\ (a - 6\lambda + 2)(\phi e \cdot \lambda) - 2c(\xi \cdot \lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot c) + 2b\lambda(2\lambda - 2 - a) + (\xi \cdot e \cdot \lambda) = 0, \\ 3c(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot c) - (\phi e \cdot e \cdot \lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) - \frac{(\xi \cdot r)}{2} - 2bc\lambda - (\lambda + 1 + 4a)(\xi \cdot \lambda) = 0, \\ \frac{r}{2}(\lambda + 1) - b(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2c(e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(e \cdot c) - (e \cdot e \cdot \lambda) \\ &- (\xi \cdot \xi \cdot \lambda) + 3(\lambda^2 - 1)(\lambda + 1) + 2\lambda(2a^2 + b^2 + a\lambda + a) = 0, \end{split}$$

$$\frac{r}{2}(\lambda-1) + 2b(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot b) - c(e \cdot \lambda) - (\phi e \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) - (\xi \cdot \xi \cdot \lambda) + 3(\lambda^2 - 1)(\lambda - 1) + 2\lambda(2a^2 + c^2 - a\lambda + a) = 0.$$
(2.23)

Remark 2.6. From these nine conditions, we can derive some useful results: (a) by subtracting the ninth equation from the first and using (2.16), we get $\phi e \cdot r = 0$, (b) by adding the equations two and six and using similarly (2.16) we have $e \cdot r = 0$. From the relations $\phi e \cdot r = 0$, $e \cdot r = 0$, and (2.12), we can conclude $\xi \cdot r = 0$ and hence we are led to the known result that the scalar curvature *r* is constant in a contact metric 3-manifold with harmonic curvature. Later for our study, we will use the *r* as a constant and we will give to these equations a more convenient form.

Definition 2.7 (see [22]). Let M^3 be a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold and $h = \lambda h^+ - \lambda h^-$ the spectral decomposition of h on U. If

$$\nabla_{h^{-}X}h^{-}X = [\xi, h^{+}X], \qquad (2.24)$$

for all vector fields *X* on M^3 and all points of an open subset *W* of *U* and h = 0 on the points of M^3 which do not belong to *W*, then the manifold is said to be semi-*K* contact manifold. From Lemma 2.3 and the relations (2.12), the above condition for X = e leads to $[\xi, e] = 0$ and for $X = \phi e$ to $\nabla_{\phi e} \phi e = 0$. Hence on a semi-*K* contact manifold we have $a + \lambda + 1 = c = 0$. If we apply the deformation $e \rightarrow \phi e$, $\phi e \rightarrow e$, $\xi \rightarrow -\xi$, $\lambda \rightarrow -\lambda$, $b \rightarrow c$, and $c \rightarrow b$ then the contact metric structure remains the same. Hence the condition for a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold to be semi-*K* contact is equivalent to $a - \lambda + 1 = b = 0$.

Definition 2.8. A (κ, μ, ν) -contact metric manifold is defined in [23] as a contact metric manifold $(M^{2n+1}, \eta, \xi, \phi, g)$ on which the curvature tensor satisfies for every $X, Y \in X(M)$ the condition:

$$R(X,Y)\xi = \kappa(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y) + \mu(\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY) + \nu(\eta(Y)\phi hX - \eta(X)\phi hY),$$
(2.25)

where κ , μ , ν are smooth functions on M. If $\nu = 0$ we have a generalized (κ , μ)-contact metric manifold [24] and if additionally κ , μ are constants then the manifold is a contact metric (κ , μ)-space [25, 26]. Moreover, in [23] and [24] it is proved, respectively, that for a (κ , μ , ν) or a generalized (κ , μ)-contact metric manifold M^{2n+1} of dimension greater than 3 the functions κ , μ are constants and ν is the zero function.

Now, we will give some known results concerning contact metric 3-manifolds and pseudosymmetric contact metric 3-manifolds.

Proposition 2.9 (see [16]). In a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold one has

$$Q\phi = \phi Q \iff (\xi \cdot \lambda = 2b\lambda - (\phi e \cdot \lambda) = 2c\lambda - (e \cdot \lambda) = a\lambda = 0).$$
(2.26)

Let (M, η, g, ϕ, ξ) be a contact metric 3-manifold. In case $M = U_0$, that is, (ξ, η, ϕ, g) is a Sasakian structure, then M is a pseudosymmetric space of constant type [13]. Next, assume that U is not empty and let $\{e, \phi e, \xi\}$ be a ϕ -basis as in Lemma 2.3. We have the following.

Lemma 2.10 (see [16]). Let (M, η, g, ϕ, ξ) be a contact metric three manifold. Then M is pseudosymmetric if and only if

$$B(\xi \cdot \lambda) + (-2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1)A = LA,$$

$$A(\xi \cdot \lambda) + (2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1)B = LB,$$

$$(\xi \cdot \lambda) \left(\frac{r}{2} + 2\lambda^{2} - 2\right) + AB = L(\xi \cdot \lambda),$$

$$A^{2} - |(\xi \cdot \lambda)|^{2} + (2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1) \left(-2a\lambda - 3\lambda^{2} + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right) = L\left(-2a\lambda - 3\lambda^{2} + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right),$$

$$B^{2} - |(\xi \cdot \lambda)|^{2} + (-2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1) \left(2a\lambda - 3\lambda^{2} + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right) = L\left(2a\lambda - 3\lambda^{2} + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right),$$
(2.27)

where L is the function in the pseudosymmetry definition (2.2).

Using (2.15), (2.19), the system (2.27) takes a more convenient form:

$$ZB + IA = LA,$$

$$ZA + DB = LB,$$

$$ZC + AB = LZ,$$

$$A^{2} - Z^{2} + D(I - C) = L(I - C),$$

$$B^{2} - Z^{2} + I(D - C) = L(D - C).$$

(2.28)

Remark 2.11. If L = 0, the manifold is semisymmetric and the above system (2.28) is in accordance with equations (3.1)–(3.5) in [27].

Proposition 2.12 (see [16]). Let M^3 be a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold satisfying $Q\phi = \phi Q$. Then, M^3 is a pseudosymmetric space of constant type.

3. Pseudosymmetric Contact Metric 3-Manifolds with Harmonic Curvature and *Trl* **Constant in the Direction of** ξ

Theorem 3.1. Let M^3 be a 3-dimensional pseudosymmetric contact metric manifold with harmonic curvature and Trl constant in the direction of ξ . Then, there are at most eight open subsets of M^3 for which their union is an open and dense subset of M^3 and each of them as an open submanifold of M^3 is either: (a) Sasakian or (b) flat or (c) locally isometric to the Lie groups SU(2), SL(2, R) equipped with a left invariant metric or (d) pseudosymmetric of constant type and with scalar curvature $r = 2(1 - \lambda^2 + 2a)$ or (e) semi-K contact with $L = -3a^2 - 4a$ ($a \neq 0$) or (f) semi-K contact with $L = a^2$ ($a \neq 0$) or (g) semi-K contact of type constant along ξ and ϕe or (h) semi-K contact of type constant along ξ and e.

Proof. We consider the next open subsets of *M*:

$$U_0 = \{ p \in M : \lambda = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$

$$U = \{ p \in M : \lambda \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$
(3.1)

where $U_0 \cup U$ is open and dense subset of *M*.

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In case $M = U_0$, M is a pseudosymmetric space of constant type [13] and we get the (a) case of present Theorem 3.1. Next, assume that U is not empty and let $\{e, \phi e, \xi\}$ be a ϕ -basis. First we note that in the neighborhood U where $\lambda \neq 0$ we have from (2.20)

$$\xi \cdot Trl = 0 \Longleftrightarrow \xi \cdot \lambda = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

Equations (2.23) because of (3.2) and the fact that r is constant become, respectively,

$$(3-3\lambda+2a)(\phi e\cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\phi e\cdot a) - 2b\lambda(2a+3-\lambda) = 0, \tag{3.3}$$

$$2\lambda(e \cdot a) + (3\lambda + 2a + 3)(e \cdot \lambda) - 2c\lambda(3 + 2a + \lambda) = 0, \qquad (3.4)$$

$$r + 2\lambda(e \cdot c) - 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot b) + 3c(e \cdot \lambda) - 3b(\phi e \cdot \lambda) - (e \cdot e \cdot \lambda) + 6(\lambda^2 - 1) + (\phi e \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(b^2 - c^2 + 2a\lambda) = 0,$$
(3.5)

$$3b(e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(e \cdot b) - (e \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) - 2bc\lambda = 0,$$

or
$$3b(e \cdot \lambda) + (e \cdot A) - 6bc\lambda + 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) = 0,$$
 (3.6)

$$\frac{r}{2}(\lambda+1) - b(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2c(e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(e \cdot c) + 2\lambda(2a^2 + b^2 + a\lambda + a) -(e \cdot e \cdot \lambda) + 3(\lambda^2 - 1)(\lambda + 1) = 0,$$
(3.7)

$$-(2+6\lambda+a)(e\cdot\lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi\cdot b) + 2\lambda c(a+2+2\lambda) + (\xi\cdot\phi e\cdot\lambda) = 0,$$

or
$$-(2+6\lambda+a)(e\cdot\lambda) + 2\lambda c(a+2+2\lambda) - (\xi\cdot A) = 0,$$
 (3.8)

$$\frac{7}{2}(\lambda-1) + 2b(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot b) - c(e \cdot \lambda) - (\phi e \cdot \phi e \cdot \lambda) + 3(\lambda^2 - 1)(\lambda - 1) + 2\lambda(2a^2 + c^2 - a\lambda + a) = 0,$$
(3.9)

$$3c(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + 2\lambda(\phi e \cdot c) - (\phi e \cdot e \cdot \lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) - 2bc\lambda = 0,$$

or
$$3c(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + (\phi e \cdot B) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) - 6bc\lambda = 0,$$
(3.10)

$$(a-6\lambda+2)(\phi e\cdot\lambda) - 2\lambda(\xi\cdot c) + 2b\lambda(2\lambda-2-a) + (\xi\cdot e\cdot\lambda) = 0,$$

or
$$(a-6\lambda+2)(\phi e\cdot\lambda) - (\xi\cdot B) + 2b\lambda(2\lambda-2-a) = 0,$$
(3.11)

where for the second form of (3.6), (3.8), we also used $A = 2b\lambda - (\phi e \cdot \lambda)$ and $B = 2c\lambda - (e \cdot \lambda)$ in (3.10), (3.11).

In the neighborhood U, the system (2.28) for the pseudosymmetric contact metric 3manifolds of Lemma 2.10 because of (3.2) becomes

$$(I - L)A = 0,$$

 $(D - L)B = 0,$
 $AB = 0,$
 $A^{2} + (D - L)(I - C) = 0,$
 $B^{2} + (I - L)(D - C) = 0,$
(3.12)

where *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, *I* are given by (2.15), (2.19). Studying the third equation, we regard the following open subsets of *U*:

$$W = \{ p \in U : A = 2b\lambda - (\phi e \cdot \lambda) = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$

$$W_3 = \{ p \in U : A = 2b\lambda - (\phi e \cdot \lambda) \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$
(3.13)

where $W \cup W_3$ is open and dense in the closure of U. In W we have

$$(D-L)B = 0,$$

 $(D-L)(I-C) = 0,$ (3.14)
 $B^{2} + (I-L)(D-C) = 0,$

hence, we regard the subsets of *W*:

$$W_1 = \{ p \in W : B = 2c\lambda - (e \cdot \lambda) = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$

$$W_2 = \{ p \in W : B = 2c\lambda - (e \cdot \lambda) \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$
(3.15)

where $W_1 \cup W_2$ is open and dense in the closure of W and $W_1 \cup W_2 \cup W_3$ is open and dense in the closure of U. We study the initial system at each W_i for i = 1, 2, 3.

In W_1 the initial system (2.28) becomes

$$(D-L)(I-C) = 0,$$

 $(I-L)(D-C) = 0$ (3.16)

or more explicitly

$$(\phi e \cdot \lambda) = 2b\lambda,$$

$$(e \cdot \lambda) = 2c\lambda,$$

$$\xi \cdot \lambda = 0,$$

$$[2a\lambda - 2\lambda^{2} + 2 + b^{2} + c^{2} - 2a - (e \cdot c) - (\phi e \cdot b)] \times (-2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1 - L) = 0,$$

$$[-2a\lambda - 2\lambda^{2} + 2 + b^{2} + c^{2} - 2a - (e \cdot c) - (\phi e \cdot b)] \times (2a\lambda - \lambda^{2} + 1 - L) = 0.$$
(3.17)

We have studied this system in [17] (Theorem 4.1) and we get the cases (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of the present Theorem 3.1.

In W_2 the initial system (2.28) becomes

$$D - L = 0,$$

 $B^{2} + (I - L)(D - C) = 0.$ (3.18)

Apart from (3.2), we also have the following equations:

$$(\phi e \cdot \lambda) = 2b\lambda, \tag{3.19}$$

$$B = 2c\lambda - (e \cdot \lambda) \neq 0, \tag{3.20}$$

$$2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L = 0, (3.21)$$

$$B^{2} = 4a\lambda \left(2a\lambda - 3\lambda^{2} + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right) = 4a\lambda \left(L - 2\lambda^{2} + 2 - \frac{r}{2}\right)$$
(3.22)

while we will also use (3.3), (3.4), (3.6), and (3.11).

Differentiating (3.21) with respect to ξ , ϕe we get, respectively,

$$2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) = \xi \cdot L, \tag{3.23}$$

$$2\lambda(\phi e \cdot a) + 4ab\lambda - 4b\lambda^2 = \phi e \cdot L \tag{3.24}$$

(the derivative $e \cdot L = 2\lambda(e \cdot a) + 2(a - \lambda)(e \cdot \lambda)$ can not be estimated any further). Equations (3.3), (3.11) because of (3.19) yield, respectively,

$$\phi e \cdot a = \phi e \cdot \lambda = 2b\lambda, \tag{3.25}$$

$$\xi \cdot B = -8b\lambda^2. \tag{3.26}$$

Differentiating (3.22) with respect to ξ and using (3.2), (3.26) and the fact that r is constant, we get

$$-4b\lambda B = \left(4a\lambda - 3\lambda^2 + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right)(\xi \cdot a). \tag{3.27}$$

The first form of (3.6) and (3.19) give

$$bB = 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a), \tag{3.28}$$

hence (3.27), (3.28) yield

$$\left(4a\lambda + 5\lambda^2 + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right)(\xi \cdot a) = 0. \tag{3.29}$$

We suppose that there is a point $p \in W_2$ where $\xi \cdot a \neq 0$. Because of the continuity of the function $\xi \cdot a$, there is a neighborhood of this point $S \subset W_2 \subset U$: $S = \{q \in W_2 : \xi \cdot a \neq 0\}$. In S, we have $4a\lambda + 5\lambda^2 + 3 - r/2 = 0$. Differentiating this equation with respect to ξ and using (3.2), the constancy of r and the fact that we work in U where $\lambda \neq 0$ we conclude that $\xi \cdot a = 0$ in S, which is a contradiction. Hence

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \boldsymbol{a} = \boldsymbol{0}, \tag{3.30}$$

everywhere in W_2 . Because of (3.30) the equations (3.20), (3.27) give

$$b = 0.$$
 (3.31)

Differentiating (3.2) with respect to ϕe , (3.19) with respect to ξ , subtracting and using (2.12), we get

$$(a - \lambda + 1)(e \cdot \lambda) = 0. \tag{3.32}$$

Let's suppose that there is a point *p* in W_2 where $a-\lambda+1 \neq 0$. The function $a-\lambda+1$ is continuous, hence there is an open neighborhood *V* of *p*, $V \in W_2$, where $a - \lambda + 1 \neq 0$ everywhere in *V*, hence

$$e \cdot \lambda = 0. \tag{3.33}$$

From (3.20) and (3.33) we have in $V \subset W_2 \subset U$:

$$c \neq 0. \tag{3.34}$$

Equation (3.4) because of (3.33) gives $e \cdot a = c(2a + \lambda + 3)$. From the second of (2.16) and because of (3.31), (3.33), (3.34), we get in V: $e \cdot a = c(a - \lambda + 1) \neq 0$. By equalizing these two

results and because of (3.34), we get: $a + 2\lambda + 2 = 0$. We differentiate this equation with respect to *e* and because of (3.33), we get $e \cdot a = 0$, which is a contradiction in *V*. Hence $a - \lambda + 1 = 0$ everywhere in W_2 and because of (3.31), we can conclude according to Definition 2.7 that the structure is semi-*K* contact and pseudosymmetric with *L* constant along the directions of ξ and ϕe because of (3.23), (3.24) and (3.25), (3.30), (3.31).

In W_3 the initial system (2.28) becomes

$$I - L = 0,$$

$$A^{2} + (D - L)(I - C) = 0.$$
(3.35)

We have the following equations and (3.2):

$$(e \cdot \lambda) = 2c\lambda, \tag{3.36}$$

$$A = 2b\lambda - (\phi e \cdot \lambda) \neq 0, \tag{3.37}$$

$$-2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L = 0, \tag{3.38}$$

$$A^{2} = -4a\lambda \left(-2a\lambda - 3\lambda^{2} + 3 - \frac{r}{2}\right) = -4a\lambda \left(L - 2\lambda^{2} + 2 - \frac{r}{2}\right)$$
(3.39)

while we will also use (3.3), (3.4), (3.6), (3.8).

Differentiating (3.38) with respect to ξ , *e* we get, respectively,

$$-2\lambda(\xi \cdot a) = \xi \cdot L,$$

$$-2\lambda(e \cdot a) - 4ac\lambda - 4c\lambda^{2} = e \cdot L,$$

(3.40)

(we neglect the derivative $\phi e \cdot L$ because we can not estimate it). Equations (3.4), (3.8) because of (3.36) yield, respectively,

$$e \cdot a = -e \cdot \lambda = -2c\lambda, \tag{3.41}$$

$$\xi \cdot A = -8c\lambda^2. \tag{3.42}$$

Differentiating (3.39) with respect to ξ and using (3.2), (3.42) and the fact that r is constant, we get

$$-4c\lambda A = \left(4a\lambda + 3\lambda^2 - 3 + \frac{r}{2}\right)(\xi \cdot a). \tag{3.43}$$

The first form of (3.10) and (3.36) give

$$-cA = 2\lambda(\xi \cdot a), \tag{3.44}$$

hence (3.43), (3.44) yield

$$\left(4a\lambda - 5\lambda^2 - 3 + \frac{r}{2}\right)(\xi \cdot a) = 0. \tag{3.45}$$

We suppose that there is a point $p \in W_3$ where $\xi \cdot a \neq 0$. Because of the continuity of this function, there is a neighborhood of $p \in S \subset W_3 \subset U$: $S = \{q \in W_3 : \xi \cdot a \neq 0\}$. In *S*, we have $4a\lambda - 5\lambda^2 - 3 + r/2 = 0$. Differentiating this equation with respect to ξ and using (3.2), the constancy of *r* and the fact that we work in *U* where $\lambda \neq 0$ we conclude that $\xi \cdot a = 0$ in *S*, which is a contradiction. Hence

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \boldsymbol{a} = \boldsymbol{0}, \tag{3.46}$$

everywhere in W_3 . Because of (3.46) the equations (3.37), (3.43) give

$$c = 0.$$
 (3.47)

Differentiating (3.2) with respect to e, (3.36) with respect to ξ , subtracting and using (2.12), we get

$$-(a+\lambda+1)(\phi e\cdot\lambda) = 0. \tag{3.48}$$

Let's suppose that there is a point *p* in W_3 where $a + \lambda + 1 \neq 0$. This function is smooth, then because of its continuity, there is an open neighborhood *V* of *p*, *V* \subset *W*₃, where $a + \lambda + 1 \neq 0$ everywhere in *V*, hence

$$\phi e \cdot \lambda = 0. \tag{3.49}$$

From (3.37) and (3.49) we have in $V \subset W_3 \subset U$:

$$b \neq 0. \tag{3.50}$$

From (3.3) and (3.49), we get $\phi e \cdot a = b(2a - \lambda + 3)$. From the first of (2.16) and because of (3.47), (3.49), (3.50), we get in $V: \phi e \cdot a = b(a + \lambda + 1) \neq 0$. By equalizing these two results and because of (3.50), we get: $a - 2\lambda + 2 = 0$. We differentiate this equation with respect to ϕe and because of (3.49), we get $\phi e \cdot a = 0$, which is a contradiction in V. Hence $a + \lambda + 1 = 0$ everywhere in W_3 and because of (3.47), we can conclude according to Definition 2.7 that the structure is semi-K contact and pseudosymmetric with L constant along the directions of ξ and e because of (3.40) and (3.41), (3.46), (3.47).

Finally, we remark that the cases (g) and (h) of the present Theorem 3.1 that result from the structures studied in the sets W_2 and W_3 , respectively.

Remark 3.2. (i) The conditions of harmonic curvature help us to the systems in the neighborhoods W_2 and W_3 where we had equations of the type $A^2 = -4a\lambda(-2a\lambda-3\lambda^2+3-r/2)$ and which we could not handle in our previous articles [16, 17].

(ii) In case (d) where *L* is constant, we can also use the classification of [11] to improve our results as the manifolds with harmonic curvature are a special case of conformally flat manifolds in dimension 3.

4. Pseudosymmetric (κ, μ, ν)-Contact Metric 3-Manifolds of Type Constant in the Direction of *ξ*

Theorem 4.1. Let M^3 be a pseudosymmetric (κ, μ, ν) -contact metric 3-manifold of type constant along the direction ξ . Then, there are at most five open subsets of M^3 for which their union is an open and dense subset of M^3 and each of them as an open submanifold of M^3 is either (a) Sasakian or (b) flat or (c) pseudosymmetric of constant type $L = \kappa = 1/2(Trl), \mu = \nu = 0$ and of constant scalar curvature $r = 2\kappa$ or (d) pseudosymmetric generalized (κ, μ) -contact metric manifold of type $L = \kappa - \mu\lambda$, of scalar curvature $r = 2(3\kappa - \mu\lambda)$ and $\xi \cdot \mu = \xi \cdot \kappa = 0$ or (e) pseudosymmetric generalized (κ, μ) -contact metric manifold of type $L = \kappa + \mu\lambda$, of scalar curvature $r = 2(3\kappa + \mu\lambda)$ and $\xi \cdot \mu = \xi \cdot \kappa = 0$.

Proof. We study pseudosymmetric (κ , μ , ν)-contact metric 3-manifolds with

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \boldsymbol{L} = \boldsymbol{0}, \tag{4.1}$$

where *L* is the function in (2.2). We consider the next open subsets of *M*,

$$U_0 = \{ p \in M : \lambda = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$

$$U = \{ p \in M : \lambda \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$
(4.2)

where $U_0 \cup U$ is open and dense subset of *M*.

In case $M = U_0$, (M, ξ, η, ϕ, g) is a Sasakian structure which is a pseudosymmetric space of constant type [13] with $\kappa = 1$, $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{R}$ and h = 0 and we get the (a) case of present Theorem 4.1. Next, assume that U is not empty and let $\{e, \phi e, \xi\}$ be a ϕ -basis. From (2.25), we can calculate the following components of the Riemannian curvature tensor:

$$R(\xi, e)\xi = -(\kappa + \lambda\mu)e - \lambda\nu\phi e, \qquad R(e, \phi e)\xi = 0,$$

$$R(\xi, \phi e)\xi = -\lambda\nu e - (\kappa - \lambda\mu)\phi e.$$
(4.3)

By virtue of (2.14) we can conclude that

$$A = 2b\lambda - (\phi e \cdot \lambda) = 0, \qquad B = 2c\lambda - (e \cdot \lambda) = 0, \qquad Z = \xi \cdot \lambda = \lambda \nu,$$

$$D = 2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 = \kappa - \lambda \mu, \qquad I = -2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 = \kappa + \lambda \mu,$$

(4.4)

and hence the system (2.28) becomes

$$Z(C - L) = 0,$$

$$-Z^{2} + (D - L)(I - C) = 0,$$
 (*)

$$-Z^{2} + (I - L)(D - C) = 0,$$

where *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, *I*, *Z* are given by (2.19) and (4.4). Substituting from (4.4) ($\phi e \cdot \lambda$), ($e \cdot \lambda$) in (2.16) we also have

$$\xi \cdot c = -(\phi e \cdot a) + b(a - \lambda + 1), \tag{4.5}$$

$$\xi \cdot b = (e \cdot a) - c(\lambda + a + 1). \tag{4.6}$$

First we will prove that $Z = \xi \cdot \lambda = 0$ (equivalently $\nu = 0$ as we work in U where $\lambda \neq 0$). We suppose that there is a point $p \in U$ where $\xi \cdot \lambda \neq 0$. By the continuity of this function, we can consider that there is a neighborhood V of p, where $\xi \cdot \lambda \neq 0$ everywhere in $V \subset U$. We work in V. Then the first equation of (*) becomes C - L = 0 or equivalently:

$$(e \cdot c) + (\phi e \cdot b) = L + b^2 + c^2 - \lambda^2 + 1 - 2a.$$
(4.7)

We differentiate this equation with respect to ξ and by virtue of (4.1) we get

$$\xi \cdot e \cdot c + \xi \cdot \phi e \cdot b = 2b(\xi \cdot b) + 2c(\xi \cdot c) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot \lambda) - 2(\xi \cdot a), \tag{4.8}$$

which because of (4.5), (4.6) becomes

$$\xi \cdot e \cdot c + \xi \cdot \phi e \cdot b = 2b(e \cdot a) - 2c(\phi e \cdot a) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot \lambda) - 2(\xi \cdot a) - 4bc\lambda. \tag{4.9}$$

Next, we differentiate (4.5) and (4.6) with respect to e and ϕe , respectively, and adding we have

$$e \cdot \xi \cdot c + \phi e \cdot \xi \cdot b = -[e, \phi e]a - (a + \lambda + 1)(\phi e \cdot c) + (a - \lambda + 1)(e \cdot b) - c(\phi e \cdot a) + b(e \cdot a) - 4bc\lambda.$$

$$(4.10)$$

We subtract this last equation from (4.9) and we get

$$[\xi, e]c + [\xi, \phi e]b = b(e \cdot a) - c(\phi e \cdot a) - 2(\xi \cdot a) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot \lambda) + [e, \phi e]a + (a + \lambda + 1)(\phi e \cdot c) - (a - \lambda + 1)(e \cdot b)$$
(4.11)

or because of (2.12)

$$(a + \lambda + 1)(\phi e \cdot c) + (\lambda - a - 1)(e \cdot b)$$

= $b(e \cdot a) - c(\phi e \cdot a) - 2(\xi \cdot a) - 2\lambda(\xi \cdot \lambda)$
 $- b(e \cdot a) + c(\phi e \cdot a) + 2(\xi \cdot a) + (\lambda + a + 1)(\phi e \cdot c) + (\lambda - a - 1)(e \cdot b)$ (4.12)

or equivalently: $\lambda(\xi \cdot \lambda) = 0$ and because we work in $V \subset U$, we have $\xi \cdot \lambda = 0$, which is a contradiction. Hence, we can deduce everywhere in *U*:

$$\xi \cdot \lambda = 0 \Longleftrightarrow \nu = 0. \tag{4.13}$$

Next we will derive some useful relations. From (4.4) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi e \cdot \lambda &= 2b\lambda, \\ e \cdot \lambda &= 2c\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.14)$$

We differentiate these equations with respect to *e* and ϕe , respectively, we subtract, we use the relations (2.12), (4.4) and we get

$$\xi \cdot \lambda = \lambda [(e \cdot b) - (\phi e \cdot c)] \tag{4.15}$$

or because of (4.13)

$$e \cdot b = \phi e \cdot c. \tag{4.16}$$

We differentiate the relations $\phi e \cdot \lambda = 2b\lambda$ and (4.13) with respect to ξ and ϕe , respectively, and subtracting we obtain: $[\xi, \phi e]\lambda = 2\lambda(\xi \cdot b)$ or because of (2.12), (4.4), (4.6)

$$e \cdot a = 2c\lambda. \tag{4.17}$$

We differentiate the relations $e \cdot \lambda = 2c\lambda$ and (4.13) with respect to ξ and e, respectively, and subtracting we obtain: $[\xi, e]\lambda = 2\lambda(\xi \cdot c)$ or because of (2.12), (4.4), (4.5)

$$\phi e \cdot a = -2b\lambda. \tag{4.18}$$

Finally, after substituting *D*, *I*, *Z* from (4.4), (4.13) the final form of the system (*) is

$$\mu(C-L) = 0,$$

$$(\kappa - \lambda \mu - L)(\kappa + \lambda \mu - C) = 0.$$
(4.19)

In order to study this system we regard the following open subsets of *U*:

$$V_1 = \{ p \in U : C - L \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$

$$V_2 = \{ p \in U : C - L = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$
(4.20)

where $V_1 \cup V_2$ is open and dense in the closure of *U*.

In V_1 , we have $\mu = 0$ and hence from (4.4): $I = D = \kappa$ or $2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 = -2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1$ or finally a = 0 and $\kappa = 1 - \lambda^2$. From (4.17), (4.18) we deduce that b = c = 0. Having also the second equation of (4.19), we regard the open subsets of V_1

$$Y_1 = \{ p \in V_1 : \kappa - C = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$

$$Y_2 = \{ p \in V_1 : \kappa - C \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \},$$
(4.21)

where $Y_1 \cup Y_2$ is open and dense in the closure of V_1 .

In Y_1 substituting in $\kappa - C = 0$, *C* from (2.15), a = b = c = 0, we get $\kappa = 1 - \lambda^2 = 0$ and hence the structure is flat with $\kappa = \mu = \nu$.

In Y_2 from $\mu = 0$ we have again $I = D = \kappa$, a = 0 and from (4.17), (4.18) b = c = 0 while we must also have $\kappa = L$. Hence, $L = \kappa = (1/2)Trl$ and from (2.18) of constant scalar curvature $r = 2(1 - \lambda^2)$.

In V_2 having C = L, the second equation of (4.19) becomes $(2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L)(-2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L) = 0$. Hence, we regard the open subsets of V_2

$$W_1 = \left\{ p \in V_2 : -2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L \neq 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \right\},$$

$$W_2 = \left\{ p \in V_2 : -2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L = 0 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p \right\},$$
(4.22)

where $W_1 \cup W_2$ is open and dense in the closure of V_2 .

In W_1 we must have $2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L = 0$ while in W_2 we have $-2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L = 0$. We differentiate these equations with respect to ξ and because of (4.13) we get

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \boldsymbol{a} = \boldsymbol{0}. \tag{4.23}$$

By virtue of *I* and *D* in (4.4) we deduce $\mu = -2a$ and hence

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} \cdot \boldsymbol{\mu} = \boldsymbol{0}. \tag{4.24}$$

In W_2 we differentiate $-2a\lambda - \lambda^2 + 1 - L = 0$ with respect to ξ and similarly we also obtain (4.24). Each of W_1 and W_2 is a generalized (κ, μ) -contact metric 3-manifold with $\xi \cdot \mu = 0$ and scalar curvature $r = 2(2a\lambda - 3\lambda^2 + 3) = 2(3\kappa - \mu\lambda)$ or $r = 2(-2a\lambda - 3\lambda^2 + 3) = 2(3\kappa + \mu\lambda)$ respectively and from (4.1), (4.13) and (4.23) or (4.24) $\xi \cdot \kappa = 0$ and $\xi \cdot r = 0$.

Concluding: the structure in U_0 gives the Sasakian case, the structures in Y_1 and Y_2 give the (b) and (c) cases of the present Theorem 4.1 and the structures in W_1 and W_2 give (d) and (e) respectively.

Remark 4.2. The generalized (κ, μ) -contact metric manifolds in dimension 3 with $\kappa < 1$ (equivalently $\lambda \neq 0$) and $\xi \cdot \mu = 0$ have been studied by Koufogiorgos and Tsichlias [28]. They proved in their Theorem 4.1 of [28] that at any point of $P \in M$, precisely one of the following relations is valid: $\mu = 2(1+\sqrt{1-\kappa})$, or $\mu = 2(1-\sqrt{1-\kappa})$, while there exists a chart (U, (x, y, z)) with $P \in U \subseteq M$ such that the functions κ , μ depend only on z and the tensors fields η , ξ , ϕ , g take a suitable form. Each of our submanifolds W_1 and W_2 is such a generalized (κ, μ) -contact metric 3-manifold.

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