

On Submanifolds of Almost r – Contact Structure Manifolds

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Abstract: Almost r – contact structure was defined and studied by Vanzura¹ and several other geometers including Mishra, Pandey² and Imai³. Recently, Das, Ram Nivas, S. Ali and M. Ahmad⁴ have studied quarter symmetric connections and have obtained some interesting results. In this paper, authors have studied submanifolds of an almost r – contact structure manifold. Quarter symmetric (F, G) – connection has also been defined and submanifolds of a manifolds with such connection have been studied. Study of (F, G) geodesic and (F, G) umbilical submanifolds is also the subject matter of this paper.

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1. Submanifolds of Codimension $2r$

Let M^{n+r} be on $(n + r)$ – dimensional differentiable manifold of class c^∞ . Suppose there exists on M^{n+r} a tensor field ϕ of type $(1, 1)$, $r(c^\infty)$ contravariant vector fields $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_r$ and $r(c^\infty)$ 1 – forms $\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_r$ such that

$$(1.1a) \quad \phi^2 = -I + \sum_{l=1}^r \eta_l \otimes \xi_l,$$

$$(1.1b) \quad \phi \xi_l = 0,$$

$$(1.1c) \quad \eta_l \circ \phi = 0 \text{ and } \eta_l(\xi_m) = \delta_{lm}$$

where $l, m = 1, 2, \dots, r$ and δ_{lm} denotes the Kronecker delta. Then M^{n+r} satisfying above equations (1.1) will be called an almost r – contact structure manifold¹. If M^{n+r} is endowed with a positive definite Riemannian metric g such that

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \sum_{l=1}^r \eta_l(X) \eta_l(Y),$$

we say that M^{n+r} admits almost r – contact metric structure.

Let M^n be an n – dimensional submanifold of the almost r – contact structure manifold M^{n+r} such that the vector fields ξ_l $l = 1, 2, \dots, \xi_r$ are always tangent to M^n . Throughout this paper we will assume that the vector fields $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_r$ are always tangent to M^n . Thus there exist r mutually orthogonal unit normals $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_r$ such that if X is in the tangent space of M^n , the transformations for ϕX and ϕN_l can be written as⁵

$$(1.2) \quad \phi X = fX + \sum_{l=1}^r \alpha_l(X) N_l$$

where α_l , $l = 1, 2, \dots, r$ are 1 – forms and f is a tensor field of type (1, 1) on the submanifold M^n . Also

$$(1.3) \quad \phi N_l = -A_l, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots, r.$$

Here A_l , $l = 1, 2, \dots, r$ are c^∞ vector fields on the submanifold M^n and tangential to M^n .

Operating (1.2) by ϕ and making use of (1.2) itself and also the equations (1.1a) and (1.3), we get

$$-X + \sum_{l=1}^r \eta_l(X) \xi_l = f^2 X + \sum_{l=1}^r \alpha_l(fX) N_l + \sum_{l=1}^r \alpha_l(X) (-A_l)$$

Comparison of vector fields tangential and normal to M^n yields

$$f^2 = -I + \sum_{l=1}^r \{ \eta_l \otimes \xi_l + \alpha_l \otimes A_l \}$$

and

$$\alpha_l \circ f = 0$$

In view of the equation (1.2), we have

$$(\eta_m \circ \phi)(X) = (\eta_m \circ f)(X) + \sum_{l=1}^r \alpha_l(X) \eta_m(N_l)$$

Taking $\eta_m(N_l) = 0$ we get

$$\eta_m \circ f = 0$$

Again, in view of the equation (1.2), we have

$$\varphi(A_m) = f(A_m) + \sum_{l=1}^r \alpha_l(A_m)N_l.$$

Taking $\phi A_m = N_m$ and $\alpha_l(A_m) = \delta_{lm}$, we get

$$f(A_m) = 0, m = 1, 2, \dots, r.$$

Again by virtue of the equation (1.2), we have

$$\phi(\xi_m) = f(\xi_m) + \sum_{l=1}^r \alpha_l(\xi_m)N_l.$$

Taking $\alpha_l(\xi_m) = 0$, we get

$$f(\xi_m) = 0.$$

Thus the submanifold M^n of almost r – contact structure manifold M^{n+r} admits a structure satisfying

$$(1.4a) \quad f^2 = -I + \sum_{l=1}^r \{\eta_l \otimes \xi_l + \alpha_l \otimes A_l\}$$

$$(1.4b) \quad \alpha_l \circ f = \eta_m \circ f = 0,$$

$$(1.4c) \quad \phi \xi_l = f \xi_l = 0,$$

$$(1.4d) \quad \alpha_l(\xi_m) = \eta_l(A_m) = 0,$$

$$(1.4e) \quad f(A_l) = 0$$

$$(1.4f) \quad \alpha_l(\xi_m) = \eta_l(\xi_m) = \delta_{lm}; \quad l, m = 1, 2, \dots, r.$$

We have

Theorem 1.1. *The submanifold M^n of codimension r of almost r – contact structure manifold M^{n+r} such that the vector fields ξ_l and A_l are tangents to M^n admits a structure given by the equation (1.4).*

Now let us define a $(1, 1)$ tensor field $\tilde{f}$ on M^n as

$$(1.5) \quad \tilde{f} = f + \sum_{l=1}^r \eta_l \otimes A_l.$$

Then in view of the equation (1.4), it is easy to show that

$$(1.6) \quad \tilde{f}^2 = f^2.$$

Hence by virtue of (1.4), (1.5) and (1.6), it can be easily shown that

$$(1.7a) \quad \tilde{f}^2 = -I + \sum_{l=1}^r \{\eta_l \otimes \xi_l + \alpha_l \otimes A_l\},$$

$$(1.7b) \quad \alpha_l \circ \tilde{f} = \eta_l,$$

$$(1.7c) \quad \eta_l \circ \tilde{f} = 0,$$

$$(1.7d) \quad \tilde{f}(\xi_l) = A_l$$

$$(1.7e) \quad \tilde{f}(A_l) = 0.$$

Thus we have

Theorem 1.2. *The (1, 1) tensor field $\tilde{f}$ defined on the submanifold M^n of the almost r – contact structure manifold M^{n+r} defines a structure on M^n given by the equation (1.7).*

2. Quarter Symmetric (F, G) Connection

As in the previous section, M^n is the submanifold of codimension r immersed differentially in the r – contact structure manifold M^{n+r} . Let ζ be the immersion $M^n \rightarrow M^{n+r}$ and $B = d\zeta$. Hence the vector field X in the tangent space of M^n corresponds to a vector field BX tangential to M^{n+r} . If $\tilde{g}$ be the Riemannian metric on M^{n+r} and g the induced metric on M^n , we have

$$(2.8) \quad \tilde{g}(BX, BY) = g(X, Y) \text{ for all } X, Y \text{ tangents to } M^n.$$

As $N_x, x = 1, 2, \dots, r$ are mutually orthogonal unit normals to M^n

$$(2.9a) \quad \tilde{g}(BX, N_x) = 0$$

and

$$(2.9b) \quad \tilde{g}(N_x, N_y) = \delta_{xy}, \quad x, y = 1, 2, \dots, r$$

where δ_{xy} is the Kronecker delta.

Suppose M^{n+r} admits a connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ given by

$$(2.10) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{BX} BY = \tilde{\nabla}_{BX}^{\circ} BY + \tilde{\pi}(BY)\tilde{F}(BX) - \tilde{\pi}(BX)\tilde{G}(BY) - \tilde{g}(BX, BY)\tilde{P}$$

where $\tilde{\nabla}^{\circ}$ is the Levi-civita connection and $\tilde{F}, \tilde{G}$ are tensor fields of type (1, 1) on M^{n+r} . We call the connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ as quarter symmetric (F, G) connection on M^{n+r} . Also $\tilde{P}$ is a vector field and $\tilde{\pi}$ 1 – form on the enveloping manifold M^{n+r} .

Theorem 2.1. *The connection induced on the submanifold M^n from the quarter symmetric (F, G) connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ on M^{n+r} is also the quarter symmetric (F, G) connection.*

Proof. Let us put

$$(2.11a) \quad \tilde{P} = B P + \lambda^x N_x$$

$$(2.11b) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{BX} BY = B\nabla_X Y + \sum_{x=1}^r h^x(X, Y)N_x$$

$$(2.11c) \quad \tilde{\nabla}_{BX} BY = B(\overset{\circ}{\nabla}_X Y) + \sum_{x=1}^r m^x(X, Y)N_x$$

where $h^x(X, Y)$ and $m^x(X, Y)$ are tensor fields of type $(1, 2)$ and P the vector field tangential to M^n . We can also write

$$(2.11d) \quad \tilde{F}(BX) = BFX + \sum_{x=1}^r \mu^x N_x$$

$$(2.11e) \quad \tilde{G}BY = BGY + \sum_{x=1}^r \gamma^x N_x$$

where $\lambda^x, \mu^x, \gamma^x$ are scalars. Hence (2.10) takes the form

$$(2.12) \quad B\nabla_X Y + \sum_{x=1}^r h^x(X, Y)N_x = B\overset{\circ}{\nabla}_X Y + \sum_{x=1}^r m^x(X, Y)N_x + \pi(Y)\{BFX + \sum_{x=1}^r \mu^x N_x\} \\ - \pi(X)\{BGY + \sum_{x=1}^r \gamma^x N_x\} - g(X, Y)\{BP + \sum_{x=1}^r \lambda^x N_x\}.$$

Comparison of vector fields tangential to M^{n+r} gives

$$\nabla_X Y = \overset{\circ}{\nabla}_X Y + \pi(Y)FX - \pi(X)G(Y) - g(X, Y)P$$

which shows that ∇ is quarter symmetric (F, G) connection on M^n .

3. (F, G) Geodesic and (F, G) Umbilical Submanifolds

Let $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$ be the set of orthonormal vector fields on M^n . We call

$$\frac{1}{nr} \sum_{x=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^n h^x(X_i, X_i)$$

the mean curvature of M^n with respect to connection ∇ and

$$\frac{1}{nr} \sum_{x=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^n m^x(X_i, X_i)$$

the mean curvature of M^n with respect to connection $\overset{\circ}{\nabla}$.

Definition 3.1. We say that the submanifold M^n is (F, G) geodesic with respect to quarter symmetric (F, G) connection ∇ if $h^x(X, Y) = 0$, $x = 1, 2, \dots, r$.

Definition 3.2. We say that the submanifold M^n is (F, G) umbilical with respect to connection ∇ if $h^x(X, Y)$ are proportional to the metric tensor g .

Definition 3.3. The submanifold M^n will be (F, G) geodesic or (F, G) umbilical with respect to Riemannian connection $\overset{\circ}{\nabla}$ according as $m^x(X, Y)$ vanish or proportional to the metric tensor g .

We now prove the following theorem.

Theorem 3.1. In order that the mean curvature of M^n with respect to quarter-symmetric (F, G) connection ∇ may coincide with that of M^n with respect to Riemannian connection $\overset{\circ}{\nabla}$, it is necessary and sufficient that the vector fields $\tilde{F}BX_i$, $\tilde{G}BX_i$ and $\tilde{P}$ are tangential to M^n .

Proof. In view of the equation (2.12), comparison of vector fields normal to M^n yields

$$h^x(X_i, X_i) = m^x(X_i, X_i) + \pi(X_i)\mu^x - \pi(X_i)\nu^x - \lambda^x g(X_i, X_i).$$

Hence

$$\frac{1}{nr} \sum_{x=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^n h^x(X_i, X_i) = \frac{1}{nr} \sum_{x=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^n m^x(X_i, X_i)$$

if and only if $\mu^x = \nu^x = \lambda^x = 0$ for $x = 1, 2, \dots, r$. Hence the vector fields $\tilde{F}BX_i$, $\tilde{G}BX_i$ and $\tilde{P}$ are tangential to M^n .

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