

A Note on Special Projective Semi-Symmetric Connection

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Abstract: In the present paper, we have studied some properties of curvature tensor and Ricci tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection. It has been shown that if torsion tensor of M^n is covariant constant, then manifold admits a parallel vector field.

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1. Introduction

The idea of semi-symmetric connection was introduced by A. Friedmann and J. A. Schouten¹ in 1924. In 1932, H. A. Hayden² studied semi-symmetric metric-connection. It was K. Yano³ who started systematic study of semi-symmetric metric connection and this was further studied by T. Imai⁴, R. S. Mishra and S. N. Pandey⁵, U. C. De and B. K. De⁶ and several other mathematicians^{7,8}. In 2001, P. Zhao and H. Song⁹ studied a semi-symmetric connection which is projectively equivalent to Levi-Civita connection. Such a connection is called as projective semi-symmetric connection. They found an invariant under the transformation of projective semi-symmetric connection and showed that this invariant could degenerate into the Weyl projective curvature tensor under certain conditions. After this various papers^{10,11,12} on projective semi-symmetric metric connection have appeared.

The organization of the paper is as follows. After introduction we give some preliminary results in section 2. In section 3, we present a brief account of special projective semi-symmetric connection and some results concerning torsion tensor, Ricci tensor and curvature tensor.

2. Preliminaries

Let M^n be an n -dimensional ($n > 2$) Riemannian manifold equipped with a Riemannian metric g and ∇ be the Levi-Civita connection associated with metric g . A linear connection $\bar{\nabla}$ on M^n is said to be semi-symmetric connection if its torsion tensor $\bar{T}$, given by

$$(2.1) \quad \bar{T}(X, Y) = \bar{\nabla}_X Y - \bar{\nabla}_Y X - [X, Y]$$

satisfies the condition

$$(2.2) \quad \bar{T}(X, Y) = \pi(Y)X - \pi(X)Y$$

and

$$(2.3) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X g)(Y, Z) = 0,$$

where π is a 1-form on M^n associated with vector field ρ i.e.,

$$(2.4) \quad \pi(X) = g(X, \rho).$$

If the geodesic with respect to $\bar{\nabla}$ are always consistent with those of ∇ , then $\bar{\nabla}$ is called a connection projectively equivalent to ∇ . If $\bar{\nabla}$ is projective equivalent connection to ∇ as well as semi-symmetric, then $\bar{\nabla}$ is called projective semi-symmetric connection. We also call $\bar{\nabla}$ as projective semi-symmetric transformation.

In this paper, we study a type of projective semi-symmetric connection $\bar{\nabla}$ introduced by P.Zhao and H. Song⁹. The connection is given by

$$(2.5) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \psi(Y)X + \psi(X)Y + \phi(Y)X - \phi(X)Y,$$

where 1-forms ϕ and ψ are given as

$$(2.6) \quad \phi(X) = \frac{1}{2}\pi(X) \text{ and } \psi(X) = \frac{n-1}{2(n+1)}\pi(X).$$

It is easy to observe that torsion tensor of projective semi-symmetric transformation is same as given by the equation (2.2) and also that

$$(2.7) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_x g)(Y, Z) = \frac{1}{n+1} [2\pi(X)g(Y, Z) - n\pi(Y)g(Z, X) - n\pi(Z)g(X, Y)].$$

i.e., the connection $\bar{\nabla}$ is a non metric one.

Let $\bar{R}$ and R be the curvature tensors of the manifold relative to the projective semi-symmetric connection $\bar{\nabla}$ and Levi-Civita connection ∇ respectively. It is known that ⁹

$$(2.8) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y, Z) = R(X, Y, Z) + \beta(X, Y)Z + \alpha(X, Z)Y - \alpha(Y, Z)X,$$

where $\beta(X, Y)$ and $\alpha(X, Y)$ are given by the following relations

$$(2.9) \quad \beta(X, Y) = \Psi'(X, Y) - \Psi'(Y, X) + \Phi'(Y, X) - \Phi'(X, Y),$$

$$(2.10) \quad \alpha(X, Y) = \Psi'(X, Y) + \Phi'(Y, X) - \psi(X)\phi(Y) - \phi(X)\psi(Y),$$

$$(2.11) \quad \Psi'(X, Y) = (\nabla_X \psi)(Y) - \psi(X)\psi(Y)$$

and

$$(2.12) \quad \Phi'(X, Y) = (\nabla_X \phi)(Y) - \phi(X)\phi(Y).$$

Contracting X in the equation (2.8), we get a relation between Ricci tensors $\bar{Ric}(Y, Z)$ and $Ric(Y, Z)$ of manifold with respect to the connections $\bar{\nabla}$ and ∇ respectively as

$$(2.13) \quad \bar{Ric}(Y, Z) = Ric(Y, Z) + \beta(Y, Z) - (n-1)\alpha(Y, Z).$$

If $\bar{r}$ and r are scalar curvatures of manifold with respect to connections $\bar{\nabla}$ and ∇ respectively, then from the equation (2.13), we get

$$(2.14) \quad \bar{r} = r + b - (n-1)a,$$

where

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta(e_i, e_i) \text{ and } a = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha(e_i, e_i).$$

3. Main Results

In this section, we consider a type of projective semi-symmetric connection $\bar{\nabla}$ given by the equation (2.5) whose associated 1-form π is closed, i.e.,

$$(3.1) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)Y = (\bar{\nabla}_Y \pi)X.$$

In this case $\bar{\nabla}$ is called special projective semi-symmetric connection ⁹.

It is easy to verify that both the 1-forms ϕ and ψ are closed as the 1-form π is closed and we easily get the tensors Φ' and Ψ' both are symmetric. Consequently, we get

$$(3.2) \quad \beta(X, Y) = 0$$

and

$$(3.3) \quad \alpha(X, Y) = \alpha(Y, X).$$

In view of the equations (3.1) and (3.2) the expressions (2.8), (2.13) and (2.14) reduces to

$$(3.4) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y, Z) = R(X, Y, Z) + \alpha(X, Z)Y - \alpha(Y, Z)X,$$

$$(3.5) \quad \bar{Ric}(Y, Z) = Ric(Y, Z) - (n-1)\alpha(Y, Z)$$

and

$$(3.6) \quad \bar{r} = r - (n-1)a.$$

It is easy to observe that the Ricci tensor $\bar{Ric}(Y, Z)$ is symmetric.

Consequently, from the equations (2.6) and (2.10), we have

$$(3.7) \quad \alpha(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2}(c+1)[(\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y) - \frac{1}{2}(c+1)\pi(X)\pi(Y)].$$

Differentiating the torsion tensor of the connection $\bar{\nabla}$ given by the equation (2.2) covariantly with respect to the connection $\bar{\nabla}$, we have

$$(3.8) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{T})(Y, Z) = (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Z)Y - (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y)Z.$$

Now, due to the equations (2.5) and (2.6), we have

$$(3.9) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)Y = (\nabla_X \pi)(Y) - c\pi(X)\pi(Y),$$

$$\text{where } c = \frac{n-1}{n+1}.$$

Theorem 3.1 *The torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection satisfies*

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{T})(Y, Z) = 0$$

$$\text{if and only if } \alpha(X, Y) = m\pi(X)\pi(Y), \text{ where } m = \frac{c^2 - 1}{4}.$$

Proof: First suppose that

$$(3.10) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{T})(Y, Z) = 0.$$

Therefore from the equation (3.8), we have

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Z)Y - (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y)Z = 0,$$

which on contraction, gives

$$(3.11) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y) = 0.$$

Now from the equation (3.9), we get

$$(\nabla_X \pi)(Y) = c\pi(X)\pi(Y).$$

Again using this in the equation (3.7), we have

$$(3.12) \quad \alpha(X, Y) = m\pi(X)\pi(Y).$$

Conversely, we suppose that α satisfies the equation (3.12). Now, using equation (3.12) in the equation (3.7), we get

$$(\nabla_X \pi)(Y) = c\pi(X)\pi(Y),$$

which on using in the equation (3.9), gives $(\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y) = 0$.

Thus, due to this the equation (3.8), gives $(\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{T})(Y, Z) = 0$.

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.2 *The associated 1-form of special projective semi-symmetric connection satisfies $(\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)Y = \frac{1-c}{2} \pi(X)\pi(Y)$ if and only if tensor α vanishes.*

Proof: If Ricci tensor of a flat Riemannian manifold with respect to special projective semi-symmetric connection vanishes, then from the equation (3.5), we have

$$(3.13) \quad \alpha(Y, Z) = 0.$$

Thus, the equation (3.7) reduces to $(\nabla_X \pi)(Y) = \frac{1}{2}(c+1)\pi(X)\pi(Y)$.

Using this in the equation (3.9), we have

$$(3.14) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)Y = \frac{1-c}{2} \pi(X)\pi(Y).$$

Conversely, suppose that (3.14) holds. Then from equation (3.9), we have

$$(\nabla_X \pi)(Y) = \frac{1}{2}(c+1)\pi(X)\pi(Y).$$

Using this in the equation (3.7), we get $\alpha(X, Y) = 0$.

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.3 *The Ricci tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection vanishes if and only if $W(X, Y, Z) = \bar{R}(X, Y, Z)$.*

Proof: The Weyl curvature tensor of Riemannian manifold¹³ is given by

$$(3.15) \quad W(X, Y, Z) = R(X, Y, Z) - \frac{1}{n-1} \{Ric(Y, Z)X - Ric(X, Z)Y\}.$$

Suppose that

$$(3.16) \quad W(X, Y, Z) = \bar{R}(X, Y, Z).$$

Then from the equation (3.15), we have

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, Z) = R(X, Y, Z) - \frac{1}{n-1} \{Ric(Y, Z)X - Ric(X, Z)Y\}.$$

In view of equation (3.4), above equation takes the form

$$[Ric(Y, Z) - (n-1)\alpha(Y, Z)]X = [Ric(X, Z) - (n-1)\alpha(X, Z)]Y.$$

Using the equation (3.5) in above equation, we have

$$\bar{Ric}(Y, Z)X = \bar{Ric}(X, Z)Y,$$

which on contraction , gives $\bar{Ric}(Y, Z) = 0$.

Conversely, suppose that

$$(3.17) \quad \bar{Ric}(Y, Z) = 0.$$

Then from the equation (3.5) , we have

$$Ric(Y, Z) = (n-1)\alpha(Y, Z).$$

Using this in the equation (3.15) , we have

$$W(X, Y, Z) = R(X, Y, Z) + \alpha(X, Z)Y - \alpha(Y, Z)X,$$

which in view of the equation (3.4) gives

$$W(X, Y, Z) = \bar{R}(X, Y, Z).$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.4 *The torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection in manifold M^n is recurrent if and only if 1-form π is recurrent with respect to special projective semi-symmetric connection.*

Proof: Suppose that

$$(3.18) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{T})(Y, Z) = \pi(X)\bar{T}(Y, Z).$$

Using the equations (2.2) and (3.8) in above equation, we have

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Z)Y - (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y)Z = \pi(X)[\pi(Z)Y - \pi(Y)Z].$$

In view of equation (3.9) , above equation takes the form

$$(\nabla_X \pi)(Z)Y - (\nabla_X \pi)(Y)Z = (c+1)\pi(X)[\pi(Z)Y - \pi(Y)Z],$$

which on contraction, gives

$$(3.19) \quad (\nabla_X \pi)(Z) = (c+1)\pi(X)\pi(Z).$$

The above equation can be written as

$$(\nabla_X \pi)(Z) - c\pi(X)\pi(Z) = \pi(X)\pi(Z).$$

Using the equation (3.9) in above, we have

$$(3.20) \quad (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Z) = \pi(X)\pi(Z),$$

which shows that 1-form π is recurrent with respect to special projective semi-symmetric connection.

Conversely, suppose that the equation (3.20) holds. Then we have

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Z)Y - (\bar{\nabla}_X \pi)(Y)Z = \pi(X)\pi(Z)Y - \pi(X)\pi(Y)Z.$$

Now, using the equations (3.8) and (2.2) in the above equation, we get

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X T)(Z, Y) = \pi(X)\bar{T}(Y, Z).$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.5 *If the torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection is recurrent with π as 1-form of recurrence, then*

$$(\nabla_X \bar{R})(Y, Z, U) + (\nabla_Y \bar{R})(Z, X, U) + (\nabla_Z \bar{R})(X, Y, U) = 0.$$

Proof: Let torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection is recurrent with respect to $\bar{\nabla}$ with π as 1-form of recurrence, then from the equations (3.7) and (3.19), we have

$$(3.21) \quad \alpha(X, Z) = \frac{(c+1)^2}{4} \pi(X)\pi(Z).$$

Differentiating above equation covariantly with respect to ∇ , we have

$$(\nabla_U \alpha)(X, Z) = \frac{(c+1)^2}{4} [(\nabla_U \pi)(X)\pi(Z) + \pi(X)(\nabla_U \pi)Z]$$

which due to the equation (3.19), reduces to

$$(3.22) \quad (\nabla_U \alpha)(X, Z) = \frac{(c+1)^3}{2} \pi(U)\pi(X)\pi(Z).$$

Interchanging U and X in the above equation, we have

$$(3.23) \quad (\nabla_X \alpha)(U, Z) = \frac{(c+1)^3}{2} \pi(X)\pi(U)\pi(Z).$$

In virtue of equations (3.22) and (3.23), we have

$$(3.24) \quad (\nabla_U \alpha)(X, Z) = (\nabla_X \alpha)(U, Z).$$

Now, differentiating the equation (3.4) covariantly with respect to the ∇ , we have

$$(3.25) \quad (\nabla_X \bar{R})(Y, Z, U) = (\nabla_X R)(Y, Z, U) + (\nabla_X \alpha)(Y, U)Z - (\nabla_X \alpha)(Z, U)Y.$$

Writing two more equations by the cyclic permutations of X, Y and Z from above equation and adding them to equation (3.25), we get

$$(\nabla_x \bar{R})(Y, Z, U) + (\nabla_y \bar{R})(Z, X, U) + (\nabla_z \bar{R})(X, Y, U) = \{(\nabla_x \alpha)(Y, U)Z - (\nabla_y \alpha)(X, U)Z\} \\ + \{(\nabla_y \alpha)(Z, U)X - (\nabla_z \alpha)(Y, U)X\} + \{(\nabla_z \alpha)(X, U)Y - (\nabla_x \alpha)(Z, U)Y\}$$

which on using equation (3.24), gives

$$(\nabla_x \bar{R})(Y, Z, U) + (\nabla_y \bar{R})(Z, X, U) + (\nabla_z \bar{R})(X, Y, U) = 0.$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.6 *If the curvature tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection vanishes and torsion tensor is recurrent with respect to $\bar{\nabla}$ with π as 1-form of recurrence, then manifold M^n satisfies the condition*

$$(\nabla_x Ric)(Y, Z) = B(X)Ric(Y, Z),$$

where $B(X) = 2(c+1)\pi(X)$.

Proof: Let torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection is recurrent with respect to $\bar{\nabla}$ with π as 1-form of recurrence, then from equations (3.21) and (3.23), we have

$$(3.26) \quad (\nabla_x \alpha)(Y, Z) = B(X)\alpha(Y, Z),$$

i.e., tensor α is recurrent.

Suppose curvature tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection is vanishes, i.e.,

$$(3.27) \quad \bar{R}(X, Y, Z) = 0.$$

Now, in view of equation (3.27), the equation (3.5) gives

$$Ric(Y, Z) = (n-1)\alpha(Y, Z).$$

Differentiating above equation covariantly with respect to ∇ and using equation (3.26), we get

$$(\nabla_x Ric)(Y, Z) = B(X)Ric(Y, Z).$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.7 *If the torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection in M^n is covariant constant with respect to Levi-Civita connection, then manifold admits a parallel vector field.*

Proof: Suppose torsion tensor of special projective semi-symmetric connection in M^n is covariant constant with respect to ∇ , i.e.,

$$(\nabla_x \bar{T})(Y, Z) = 0,$$

then from the equation (2.2), we get

$$(\nabla_x \pi)(Z)Y - (\nabla_x \pi)(Y)Z = 0,$$

which on contraction, gives

$$(3.28) \quad (\nabla_x \pi)(Z) = 0.$$

Differentiating the equation (2.4) covariantly with respect to ∇ , we get

$$(3.29) \quad (\nabla_x \pi)(Z) = g(Z, \nabla_x \rho).$$

From the equations (3.28) and (3.29), we have $\nabla_x \rho = 0$,

which shows that vector field ρ is parallel vector field.

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