

On a class of pseudo-parallel submanifolds in Kenmotsu space forms

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Abstract. In this article we prove that pseudo-parallel normal anti-invariant submanifolds in Kenmotsu space forms are always semi-parallel.

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1. Introduction

In 2008, [2], F. Dillen, J. Van der Veken and L. Vrancken proved that Lagrange pseudo-parallel submanifolds of complex space forms are always semi-parallel.

In this paper we prove that a n -dimensional pseudo-parallel and normal anti-invariant submanifold M in a $(2n+1)$ -dimensional Kenmotsu space form $\widetilde{M}(c)$ is always semi-parallel. We also prove that this is not generally true for pseudo-parallel Legendre submanifolds in Sasaki space forms.

Now, we remember some necessary useful notions and results for our next considerations.

Let \widetilde{M} be a C^∞ -differentiable, $(2n+1)$ -dimensional almost contact manifold with the almost contact metric structure (F, ξ, η, g) , where F is a $(1, 1)$ tensor field, η is a 1-form, g is a Riemannian metric on \widetilde{M} , ξ is the Reeb vector field, all these tensors satisfying the following conditions :

$$F^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi; \quad \eta(\xi) = 1; \quad g(FX, FY) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y) \quad (1.1)$$

for all X, Y in $\chi(\widetilde{M})$.

Let M be a submanifold of \widetilde{M} . We consider ∇ the Levi-Civita connection induced by $\widetilde{\nabla}$ on M , ∇^\perp the connection in the normal bundle $T^\perp(M)$, h the

second fundamental form on M and $A_{\vec{n}}$ the Weingarten operator. The well-known Gauss–Weingarten formulas on M are:

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y); \quad \widetilde{\nabla}_X \vec{n} = -A_{\vec{n}}X + \nabla_X^\perp \vec{n} \tag{1.2}$$

for X, Y in $\chi(M)$ and \vec{n} in $\chi^\perp(M)$.

We consider the Sasaki form Ω on \widetilde{M} , given by $\Omega(X, Y) = g(X, FY)$. Also, denote by N_F the Nijenhuis tensor of F . It is known that \widetilde{M} is a Sasaki manifold if and only if

$$d\eta = \Omega; \quad N^{(1)} = N_F + 2d\eta \otimes \xi = 0$$

or equivalently

$$(\widetilde{\nabla}_X F)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X. \tag{1.3}$$

An almost normal contact manifold \widetilde{M} is a Kenmotsu manifold if and only if

$$d\eta = 0; \quad d\Omega = 2\eta \wedge \Omega.$$

It is also known that, similar to the characterization (1.3) of Sasaki manifolds, \widetilde{M} is a Kenmotsu manifold if and only if

$$(\widetilde{\nabla}_X F)Y = -\eta(Y)FX - g(X, FY)\xi \tag{1.4}$$

for all X, Y in $\chi(\widetilde{M})$.

From [3] and [5], we have the following expressions of the curvature tensor in Sasaki and Kenomotsu space forms :

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{R}(X, Y)Z = & \frac{c + 3(-1)^{i+1}}{4} [g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] + \frac{c - (-1)^{i+1}}{4} [\eta(X)\eta(Z)Y \\ & - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X + g(X, Z)\eta(Y)\xi - g(Y, Z)\eta(X)\xi + \Omega(X, Z)FY \\ & - \Omega(Y, Z)FX + 2\Omega(X, Y)FZ], \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

where $i = -1$ for Sasakian case and $i = 1$ for Kenmotsu case.

In the case of a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional contact manifold \widetilde{M} , the contact distribution $\mathcal{D} = \ker \eta$ is totally non integrabile and the maximal dimension of its integral submanifolds M (called *the integral submanifolds of the contact manifold \widetilde{M}*) is n . A maximal integral submanifold M of a contact manifold \widetilde{M} is a *Legendre* submanifold. Moreover, it is well known that an integral submanifold M of a contact manifold \widetilde{M} is characterized by any of

- (i) $\eta = 0, \quad d\eta = 0;$
- (ii) $FX \in \chi^\perp(M)$ for all X in $\chi(M)$.

Another properties valid on these submanifolds in the case of Sasaki manifolds and useful for our considerations are given in [7] by

Proposition 1.1. *Let M be an integral submanifold of a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional Sasaki manifold \widetilde{M} , $n \geq 1$. Then:*

- (i) $A_\xi = 0;$
- (ii) $A_{FX}Y = A_{FY}X;$
- (iii) $A_{FY}X = -[Fh(X, Y)]^T;$
- (iv) $\nabla_X^\perp(FY) = g(X, Y)\xi + F\nabla_X Y + [Fh(X, Y)]^\perp;$

(v) $\nabla_X^\perp \xi = -FX$ for all X, Y in $\chi(M)$.

In the case of Kenmotsu manifolds, N. Papaghiuc, [6], introduced the following

Definition 1.2. A submanifold M of a Kenmotsu manifold \widetilde{M} is a normal semi-invariant submanifold if ξ is normal to M and M has two distributions D and D^\perp , called the invariant, respectively, the anti-invariant distribution of M so that

- (i) $T_x M = D_x \oplus D_x^\perp \oplus \langle \xi_x \rangle$;
- (ii) $D_x, D_x^\perp, \langle \xi_x \rangle$ are othogonal;
- (iii) $FD_x \subseteq D_x; FD_x^\perp \subseteq T_x^\perp$,

for all $x \in M$.

If $D = 0$ then M is a normal anti-invariant submanifold of \widetilde{M} and if $D^\perp = 0$ then M is a invariant submanifold of \widetilde{M} .

Also, from [6], we have the following result

Proposition 1.3. If M is a normal anti-invariant submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold \widetilde{M} , then

- (i) $A_{FX}Y = A_{FY}X$, for all $X, Y \in D^\perp$;
- (ii) $A_\xi Z = -Z$ and $\nabla_Z^\perp \xi = 0$, for all $Z \in \chi(M)$.

2. Pseudo-parallel submanifolds in Kenmotsu and Sasaki space forms

Proposition 2.1. If M is a m -dimensional, normal anti-invariant submanifold of a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional Kenmotsu manifold $\widetilde{M}(c)$, then $m \leq n$.

Proof. For $x \in M$ we have $T_x \widetilde{M} = T_x M \oplus T_x^\perp M$ and $\dim FT_x M = \dim T_x M = m$. Moreover, because M is normal anti-invariant we have $FT_x M \subseteq T_x^\perp M$; $FT_x M \perp \langle \xi_x \rangle$ and then

$$\dim T_x^\perp M \geq \dim FT_x M + \dim \langle \xi_x \rangle = m + 1.$$

Now,

$$2m \leq m + \dim T_x^\perp M - 1 = \dim T_x M + \dim T_x^\perp M - 1 = \dim T_x \widetilde{M} - 1 = 2n$$

and then $m \leq n$. □

Recall that a submanifold M of the Riemannian manifold \widetilde{M} is semi-parallel if

$$(\widetilde{R} \cdot h)(X, Y, V, W) = 0 \tag{2.1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} (\widetilde{R} \cdot h)(X, Y, V, W) &= R^\perp(X, Y)h(V, W) - h(R(X, Y)V, W) \\ &\quad - h(V, R(X, Y)W) \end{aligned}$$

for all X, Y, Z, W in $\chi(M)$. Here R is the curvature tensor of M and R^\perp is the normal component of the curvature tensor \widetilde{R} of \widetilde{M} on M .

M is *pseudo-parallel* if

$$(\widetilde{R} \cdot h)(X, Y, V, W) + \Phi \cdot Q(g, h)(X, Y, V, W) = 0, \tag{2.2}$$

where Φ is a differential function on \widetilde{M} and

$$\begin{aligned} Q(g, h)(X, Y, V, W) &= h((X \wedge Y)V, W) + h(V, (X \wedge Y)W), \\ (X \wedge Y)V &= g(Y, V)X - g(X, V)Y \end{aligned}$$

for all X, Y, V, W in $\chi(M)$.

Let $\widetilde{M}(c)$ be a Kenmotsu space form with $\dim \widetilde{M}(c) = 2n + 1$ and M be a n -dimensional normal anti-invariant submanifold. We consider $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ a local orthonormal basis in $\chi(M)$ and $\{\xi, FX_1, \dots, FX_n\}$ a local orthonormal basis in $\chi^\perp(M)$.

Because M is normal anti-invariant manifold and taking into account (1.1) and (1.4) we have:

$$g(FX, FY) = g(X, Y); \quad \widetilde{\nabla}_X(FY) = F\widetilde{\nabla}_X Y; \quad F\widetilde{R}(X, Y)Z = \widetilde{R}(X, Y)FZ \tag{2.3}$$

for all X, Y, Z in $\chi(M)$. Because $Fh(X, Y)$ belongs to $\chi(M)$ and taking into account (1.2) and (2.3), we obtain

$$\nabla_X^\perp(FY) = F\nabla_X Y; \quad -A_{FY}X = Fh(X, Y). \tag{2.4}$$

From (1.1) and Proposition 1.3 we have

$$h(X, Y) = FA_{FY}X - g(X, Y)\xi = FA_{FX}Y - g(X, Y)\xi. \tag{2.5}$$

We define the 3-form $C(X, Y, Z) = g(h(X, Y), FZ)$ for all X, Y, Z in $\chi(M)$. From the symmetry of h and taking into account Proposition 1.3 and (2.5), it follows that C is a totally symmetric 3-form.

From (1.5), the Codazzi equation and the fact that M is normal and anti-invariant, we have

$$\widetilde{R}(X, Y)Z = \frac{c-3}{4}[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] \tag{2.6}$$

and

$$R(X, Y)Z = \frac{c-3}{4}[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] + A_{h(Y, Z)}X - A_{h(X, Z)}Y.$$

But from (2.5) and Proposition 1.3, we obtain

$$A_{h(X, Z)}Y = A_{FY}A_{FX}Z + g(X, Z)Y$$

and then

$$R(X, Y)Z = \frac{c+1}{4}[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y] + [A_{FX}, A_{FY}]Z. \tag{2.7}$$

Moreover, from (2.4) we have:

$$R^\perp(X, Y)FZ = FR(X, Y)Z \tag{2.8}$$

for all X, Y, Z in $\chi(M)$.

Now, we give the main result of this article.

Theorem 2.2. *Any n -dimensional pseudo-parallel normal anti-invariant submanifold M of a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional Kenmotsu space form $\widetilde{M}(c)$, with $n \geq 1$, is semi-parallel.*

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} g((\widetilde{R} \cdot h)(X, Y, V, W), FZ) &= g(R^\perp(X, Y)h(V, W), FZ) \\ &- g(h(R(X, Y)V, W), FZ) \\ &- g(h(V, R(X, Y)W), FZ) \end{aligned}$$

for X, Y, V, W in $\chi(M)$. Denote by

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= g(R^\perp(X, Y)h(V, W), FZ) \quad T_2 = g(h(R(X, Y)V, W), FZ) \\ T_3 &= g(h(V, R(X, Y)W), FZ). \end{aligned}$$

Because the 3-form C is totally symmetric, it follows that T_2 is symmetric in Z and W . From (2.5), Proposition 1.3, (2.7), (1.1) and (2.8), we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= g(R^\perp(X, Y)h(V, W), FZ) = g(R^\perp(X, Y)FA_{FV}W, FZ) \\ &= \frac{c+1}{4}[g(X, Y)g(h(Y, W), FV) - g(Y, Z)g(h(X, W), FV)] \\ &+ g([A_{FX}, A_{FY}]A_{FV}W, Z), \\ T_3 &= g(h(V, R(X, Y)W), FZ) = g(h(V, Z), FR(X, Y)W) \\ &= \frac{c+1}{4}[g(Y, W)g(h(X, Z), FV) - g(h(Y, Z), FV)g(X, W)] \\ &+ g(A_{FV}Z, [A_{FX}, A_{FY}]W). \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$T_1 - T_3 = T_4 + T_5$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} T_4 &= \frac{c+1}{4}[g(h(Y, W), FV)g(X, Y) - g(h(X, W), FV)g(Y, Z) \\ &- g(h(X, Z), FV)g(Y, W) + g(h(Y, Z), FV)g(X, W)] \end{aligned}$$

is symmetric in W and Z and

$$T_5 = g([A_{FX}, A_{FY}]A_{FV}W, Z) - g(A_{FV}Z, [A_{FX}, A_{FY}]W).$$

On the other hand, from the symmetry of h we have

$$g(A_{FV}Z, [A_{FX}, A_{FY}]W) = -g([A_{FX}, A_{FY}]A_{FV}Z, W).$$

From this we deduce that

$$T_5 = g([A_{FX}, A_{FY}]A_{FV}Z, W) + g([A_{FX}, A_{FY}]A_{FV}W, Z)$$

is symmetric in W and Z and $g((\tilde{R} \cdot h)(X, Y, V, W), FZ)$ is symmetric in W and Z . Because M is pseudo-parallel it follows that $g(Q(g, h)(X, Y, V, W), FZ)$ is symmetric in W and Z or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned} &g(Y, W)g(h(V, X), FZ) - g(X, W)g(h(V, Y), FZ) \\ &= g(Y, Z)g(h(V, X), FW) - g(X, Z)g(h(V, Y), FW). \end{aligned}$$

Taking $X = W = V$, $Z, Y \perp X$ in this relation, we obtain

$$-g(X, X)g(h(Y, Z), FX) = g(Y, Z)g(h(X, X), FX). \quad (2.9)$$

Let x be in M and $S = \{V \in T_p M | g(V, V) = 1\}$ – the unit sphere and $f : S \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(M)$, where $f(V) = g(h(V, V), FV)$ for all V in S . Because f is a continue function on S , it results that f attains its maximum in a vector field X_0 , tangent to the submanifold in x .

Let $\{e_1, \dots, e_{n-1}, X_0\}$ be a local orthonormal basis in $\chi(M)$. Taking $Y = Z = X_0$ and $X = e_i$ in (2.9), we have:

$$g(h(X_0, X_0), Fe_i) = -f(e_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

and for $Y = Z = e_i$ and $X = X_0$

$$g(h(e_i, e_i), FX_0) = -f(X_0), \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

$\{\xi, Fe_1, \dots, Fe_{n-1}, FX_0\}$ is a local orthonormal basis in $\chi^\perp(M)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} h(e_i, e_i) &= -f(X_0)FX_0 - \xi - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(e_j)Fe_j \\ h(X_0, X_0) &= f(X_0)FX_0 - \xi - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(e_j)Fe_j. \end{aligned}$$

From these last two equalities we obtain

$$h(e_i, e_i) = h(X_0, X_0) - 2f(X_0)FX_0, \quad h(X_0, X_0) = f(X_0)FX_0 - \xi. \quad (2.10)$$

and $f(e_i) = 0$ for $i = 1 \dots n-1$. From (2.10) we have $g(h(X_0, X_0), FV) = 0$ for all $V \perp X_0$, V in S . Moreover, (2.10) and (2.5) implies that

$$FA_{FX_0}X_0 = f(X_0)FX_0 \quad \text{or} \quad -A_{FX_0}X_0 = -f(X_0)X_0$$

and then

$$A_{FX_0}X_0 = \lambda_1 X_0; \quad \lambda_1 = f(X_0). \quad (2.11)$$

Putting $X = X_0$ and $Y \perp X_0$ in (2.9), we obtain

$$-g(X_0, X_0)g(h(Y, Z), FX_0) = g(Y, Z)g(h(X_0, X_0), FX_0)$$

and then

$$A_{FX_0}Y = -\lambda_1 Y. \quad (2.12)$$

For $Y \perp X_0$, $X = Y$, $Y = Z = X_0$ in (2.9) we have:

$$-g(Y, Y)g(h(X_0, X_0), FY) = g(X_0, X_0)g(h(Y, Y), FY)$$

or

$$g(h(Y, Y), FY) = 0.$$

Using the totally symmetry of the 3-form C and the last equality, we have

$$g(h(Y, Z), FW) = 0$$

for all $Y, Z, W \perp X_0$, Y, Z, W in $\chi(M)$. From (2.11) and (2.12) we have

$$h(X_0, X_0) = \lambda_1 F X_0 + \xi, \quad h(X_0, Y) = -\lambda_1 F Y \quad (2.13)$$

for $Y \perp X_0$. Taking $X = X_0$ and $Z, Y \perp X_0$ in (2.9) we have:

$$h(Y, Z) = -\lambda_1 g(Y, Z) F X_0. \quad (2.14)$$

Taking $Z = Y$, $Z \perp X_0$ and Z an unitary vector field in (2.14), we obtain

$$A_{FY} Y = -\lambda_1 X_0. \quad (2.15)$$

If $\lambda_1 = 0$ then h vanishes at x . We suppose that $\lambda_1 \neq 0$. For $n > 2$, we consider two orthonormal vector fields Y and Z , so that $Y, Z \perp X_0$. Then

$$R(X_0, Y)Y = \left(\frac{c+1}{4} - 2\lambda_1^2\right)X_0,$$

and

$$R(Y, Z)Z = \left(\frac{c+1}{4} + \lambda_1^2\right)Y.$$

Because M is a pseudo-parallel manifold, we have

$$(\tilde{R} \cdot h)(X_0, Y, Y, Y) + \Phi(x)Q(g, h)(X_0, Y, Y, Y) = 0.$$

where

$$(\tilde{R} \cdot h)(X_0, Y, Y, Y) = 3\lambda_1 \left(\frac{c+1}{4} - 2\lambda_1^2\right)FY,$$

$$(Q \cdot h)(X_0, Y, Y, Y) = -2\lambda_1 FY.$$

From these last three equalities we have:

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{3\left(\frac{c+1}{4} - 2\lambda_1^2\right)}{2}. \quad (2.16)$$

Also, we have:

$$(\tilde{R} \cdot h)(X_0, Y, Y, Z) + \Phi(x)Q(g, h)(X_0, Y, Y, Z) = 0.$$

But

$$(\tilde{R} \cdot h)(X_0, Y, Y, Z) = \lambda_1 \left(\frac{c+1}{4} - 2\lambda_1^2\right)FZ$$

$$Q(g, h)(X_0, Y, Y, Z) = -\lambda_1 FZ.$$

From these last three equalities we deduce

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{c+1}{4} - 2\lambda_1^2. \quad (2.17)$$

From (2.17) and (2.16) we obtain $\Phi(x) = 0$, that is M is semi-parallel. \square

Now, let M be a Legendre submanifold in a Sasaki space form $\widetilde{M}(c)$. Taking into account (1.3) and the fact that M is a Legendre submanifold, we have

$$F\widetilde{\nabla}_X Y = \widetilde{\nabla}_X(FY) - g(X, Y)\xi$$

$$F\widetilde{R}(X, Y)Z = \widetilde{R}(X, Y)FZ + g(Y, Z)FX - g(X, Z)FY$$

for all X, Y, Z in $\chi(M)$.

Because M is a Legendre submanifold, using (1.2) and (1.3) we obtain:

$$h(X, Y) = FA_{FY}X; \quad \nabla_X^\perp FY = F\nabla_X Y + g(X, Y)\xi \quad (2.18)$$

for X, Y, Z in $\chi(M)$. We also obtain that the 3-form C is totally symmetric for Legendre pseudo-parallel submanifolds in Sasaki space forms. Moreover, from (1.5) we have

$$\widetilde{R}(X, Y)Z = \frac{c+3}{4}[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y]$$

and

$$R^\perp(X, Y)FZ = FR(X, Y)Z - g(Y, Z)FX + g(X, Z)FY$$

for all X, Y, Z in $\chi(M)$.

We define the tensor field

$$\theta(X, Y, Z, V, W) = g(h(X, V), FZ)g(Y, W) - g(h(Y, V), FZ)g(X, W) \quad (2.19)$$

for X, Y, Z, W in $\chi(M)$. Then θ is anti-symmetric in X and Y .

The submanifold M has *axial semi-symmetry* if θ is symmetric in Z and W .

Proposition 2.3. *Let M be a Legendre pseudo-parallel submanifold in the Sasaki space form $\widetilde{M}(c)$ so that M has axial semi-symmetry. Then, for each $x \in M$, there is $X_0 \in T_pM$, X_0 a unit vector field and $\lambda_1 \in \mathcal{F}(M)$ so that:*

$$A_{FX_0}X_0 = \lambda_1 X_0; \quad c = 1 + 8\lambda_1^2.$$

From Proposition 2.3, we observe that the Sasaki space form $\widetilde{M}(c)$ has Legendre pseudo-parallel submanifolds only if the λ_1 is constant.

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