# ON SEMI-INVARIANT SUBMANIFOLDS OF LORENTZIAN ALMOST PARACONTACT MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. Semi-invariant submanifolds of Lorentzian almost paracontact manifolds are studied. Integrability of certain distributions on the submanifold are investigated. It has been proved that a *LP*-Sasakian manifold does not admit a proper semi-invariant submanifold.

## 1. Introduction

Matsumoto [7] introduced the notion of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold. Submanifolds of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold have been studied in Prasad and Ojha [11]. In the present paper we study semi-invariant submanifolds of Lorentzian almost paracontact manifolds. The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 is devoted to preliminaries. In Section 3 some necessary and sufficient conditions for integrability of certain distributions on semi-invariant submanifolds are obtained. In the last section (Section 4), it has been shown that a *LP*-Sasakian manifold does not admit a proper semi-invariant submanifold.

#### 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\bar{M}$  be a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold (cf. [7], [8]) with a Lorentzian almost paracontact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , that is,  $\phi$  is a (1, 1) tensor field,  $\xi$  is a (time-like) vector field,  $\eta$  is a 1-form and g is a Lorentzian metric on  $\bar{M}$  such that

$$\phi^2 = I + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = -1, \quad \phi \xi = 0, \quad \eta \circ \phi = 0, \tag{1}$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{2}$$

$$\Phi(X,Y) \equiv g(\phi X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y) = \Phi(Y,X), \quad g(X,\xi) = \eta(X)$$
 (3)

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for all  $X, Y \in T\overline{M}$ .

A Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold is called (cf. Matsumoto [7]):

Lorentzian paracontact manifold if

$$\Phi(X,Y) = \frac{1}{2} \left( (\bar{\nabla}_X \eta) Y + (\bar{\nabla}_Y \eta) X \right), \tag{4}$$

Lorentzian para-Sasakian (in brief, LP-Sasakian) manifold if

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \phi)Y = g(\phi X, \phi Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi^2 X,\tag{5}$$

Lorentzian special para-Sasakian (in brief, LSP-Sasakian) manifold if

$$\Phi(X,Y) = eg(\phi X, \phi Y), \quad e^2 = 1. \tag{6}$$

Here  $\nabla$  is the covariant differentiation with respect to g.

Let M be a submanifold of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold  $\overline{M}$  with Lorentzian almost paracontact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . Let the induced metric on M also be denoted by g. Then Gauss and Weingarten formulae are given respectively by

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y) \qquad X, Y \in TM, \tag{7}$$

$$\bar{\nabla}_X N = -A_N X + \nabla_X^{\perp} N \qquad N \in T^{\perp} M, \tag{8}$$

where  $\nabla$  is the induced connection on M,h is the second fundamental form of the immersion, and  $-A_NX$  and  $\nabla_X^{\perp}N$  (resp.) are the tangential and normal (resp.) parts of  $\bar{\nabla}_X N$ . From (7) and (8) one gets

$$g(h(X,Y),N) = g(A_N X,Y). \tag{9}$$

Moreover, we have

$$(\overline{\nabla}_X \phi)Y = ((\nabla_X P)Y - A_{FY}X - th(X,Y)) + ((\nabla_X F)Y + h(X,PY) - fh(X,Y)),$$
(10)

$$(\overline{\nabla}_X \phi) N = ((\nabla_X t) N - A_{fN} X - P A_N X) + ((\nabla_X f) N + h(X, tN) - F A_N X),$$
(11)

where

$$\phi X \equiv PX + FX; \qquad PX \in TM, \ FX \in T^{\perp}M, \tag{12}$$

$$\phi N \equiv tN + fN; \qquad tN \in TM, \ fN \in T^{\perp}M, \tag{13}$$

$$(\nabla_X P)Y \equiv \nabla_X PY - P\nabla_X Y,\tag{14}$$

$$(\nabla_X F)Y \equiv \nabla_X^{\perp} FY - F\nabla_X Y, \tag{15}$$

$$(\nabla_X t) N \equiv \nabla_X t N - t \nabla_X^{\perp} N, \tag{16}$$

$$(\nabla_X f) N \equiv \nabla_X^{\perp} f N - f \nabla_X^{\perp} N. \tag{17}$$

Let  $\xi \in TM$ . We write  $TM = \{\xi\} \oplus \{\xi\}^{\perp}$ , where  $\{\xi\}$  is the distribution spanned by  $\xi$  and  $\{\xi\}^{\perp}$  is the complementary orthogonal distribution of  $\{\xi\}$  in M. Then we get

$$P\xi = 0 = F\xi, \qquad \eta \circ P = 0 = \eta \circ F, \tag{18}$$

$$P^2 + tF = I + \eta \otimes \xi, \qquad FP + fF = 0, \tag{19}$$

$$f^2 + Ft = I, tf + Pt = 0,$$
 (20)

$$\ker(P) = \ker(P^2) = \ker(tF - I - \eta \otimes \xi), \tag{21}$$

$$\ker(F) = \ker(tF) = \ker(P^2 - I - \eta \otimes \xi), \tag{22}$$

$$\ker(t) = \ker(Ft) = \ker(f^2 - I),\tag{23}$$

$$\ker(f) = \ker(f^2) = \ker(Ft + I) \tag{24}$$

$$\ker(P|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}}) = \ker(P^2|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}}) = \ker(tF|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}} - I),\tag{25}$$

$$\ker(F|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}}) = \ker(tF|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}}) = \ker(P^2|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}} - I). \tag{26}$$

A submanifold M of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold  $\bar{M}$  with  $\xi \in TM$  is called a *semi-invariant submanifold* of  $\bar{M}$  if TM can be decomposed as a direct sum of mutually orthogonal differentiable distributions:

$$TM = \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \mathcal{D}^0 \oplus \{\xi\}.$$

where

$$\mathcal{D}^{1} = \ker(F|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}}) = \{X \in \{\xi\}^{\perp} : \|X\| = \|PX\|\} = TM \cap \phi(TM),$$

$$\mathcal{D}^{0} = \ker(P|_{\{\xi\}^{\perp}}) = \{X \in \{\xi\}^{\perp} : \|X\| = \|FX\|\} = TM \cap \phi(T^{\perp}M).$$

Moreover, we have

$$T^{\perp}M = \bar{\mathcal{D}}^1 \oplus \bar{\mathcal{D}}^0$$

where

$$ar{\mathcal{D}}^1 = \ker(t) = T^\perp M \cap \phi(T^\perp M), \; ar{\mathcal{D}}^0 = \ker(f) = T^\perp M \cap \phi(TM), \; F\mathcal{D}^0 = ar{\mathcal{D}}^0,$$

and  $t\bar{\mathcal{D}}^0 = \mathcal{D}^0$ . For  $X \in TM$  we can write

$$X = U^{1}X + U^{0}X - \eta(X)\xi \tag{27}$$

where  $U^1$  and  $U^0$  are projection operators of TM on  $\mathcal{D}^1$  and  $\mathcal{D}^0$  respectively.

A semi-invariant submanifold of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold is a *invariant submanifold* (resp. anti-invariant submanifold) if  $\mathcal{D}^0 = \{0\}$  (resp.  $\mathcal{D}^1 = \{0\}$ ). A semi-invariant submanifold is proper if  $\mathcal{D}^0 \neq \{0\} \neq \mathcal{D}^1$ .

# 3. Integrability conditions

Let M be a semi-invariant submanifold of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold  $\bar{M}$ . The Nijenhuis tensor  $[\phi, \phi]$  of  $\phi$  is given by

$$[\phi, \phi](X, Y) = \phi^{2}[X, Y] + [\phi X, \phi Y] - \phi[\phi X, Y] - \phi[X, \phi Y], \tag{28}$$

for  $X, Y \in T\overline{M}$ . Using (1), (27), (12) and  $\ker(F) = \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$ , for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  we get

$$[\phi, \phi](X, Y) = [P, P](X, Y) + U^{0}[X, Y] - F([PX, Y] + [X, PY]). \tag{29}$$

Let superscripts T and  $\bot$  in a term denote its tangential and normal parts respectively. From (29) we can state the following.

**Proposition 3.1.** If M is a semi-invariant submanifold of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold, then for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  we get

$$([\phi, \phi](X, Y))^T = [P, P](X, Y) + U^0[X, Y], \tag{30}$$

$$([\phi, \phi](X, Y))^{\perp} = -F([PX, Y] + [X, PY]). \tag{31}$$

Consequently, for  $X \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  we have

$$([\phi, \phi](X, \xi))^T = [P, P](X, \xi) + U^0[X, \xi], \tag{32}$$

$$([\phi, \phi](X, \xi))^{\perp} = -F[PX, \xi].$$
 (33)

In the following theorem, we find some necessary and sufficient condition for the integrability of the distribution  $\mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  on a semi-invariant submanifold of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold.

**Theorm 3.2.** Let M be a semi-invariant submanifold of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold. Then the following three statements are equivalent:

- (a) The distribution  $\mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  is integrable.
- (b)  $([\phi, \phi](X, Y))^T = [P, P](X, Y), \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}.$
- (c)  $([\phi, \phi](X, Y))^{\perp} = 0$ ,  $U^{0}[P, P](X, Y) = 0$ ,  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^{1} \oplus \{\xi\}$ .

*Proof.* The distribution  $\mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  is integrable if and only if

$$U^0[X,Y] = 0 \quad \text{for } X,Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}.$$

In view of (30) it follows that  $(\mathbf{a}) \Leftrightarrow (\mathbf{b})$ .

Next, since

$$[P, P](X, Y) = U^{1}[X, Y] + [PX, PY] - P[PX, Y] - P[X, PY], \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^{1} \oplus \{\xi\},$$

operating by  $U^0$  to this equation, in view of integrability of  $\mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$ , we get

$$U^0[P,P](X,Y) = 0, \quad X,Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}.$$

Taking account of (31), the integrability of  $\mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}$  indicates

$$([\phi,\phi](X,Y))^{\perp} = 0, \quad X,Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\}.$$

Thus  $(a) \Rightarrow (c)$ .

Conversely, let (c) be true. Then by (31) and  $FX = \phi U^0 X$ , we get

$$\phi U^0\left([PX,Y]+[X,PY]\right)=0, \qquad X,Y\in\mathcal{D}^1\oplus\{\xi\}.$$

which operated by  $\phi$  yields

$$U^{0}([PX,Y] + [X,PY]) = 0, X,Y \in \mathcal{D}^{1} \oplus \{\xi\}. (34)$$

Next from  $U^0[P,P](X,Y)=0$ , for  $X,Y\in\mathcal{D}^1\oplus\{\xi\}$ , we get

$$U^{0}[PX, PY] = 0. (35)$$

Now for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^1$  from (35) we have  $U^0[X, Y] = 0$ . In view of (34), we also have

$$0=U^0\left([PX,P\xi]+[P^2X,\xi]\right)=U^0[X,\xi], \qquad X\in\mathcal{D}^1.$$

Thus taking account of

$$U^0[X,Y] = 0 = U^0[X,\xi], \qquad X \in \mathcal{D}^1,$$

we get

$$U^0[X,Y] = 0 X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \{\xi\},$$

which makes  $(c) \Rightarrow (a)$ .

**Theorm 3.3.** The distribution  $\mathcal{D}^0 \oplus \{\xi\}$  on a semi-invariant submanifold M of a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold  $\overline{M}$  is integrable if and only if

$$[P, P](X, Y) = 0, \qquad X, Y \in \mathcal{D}^0 \oplus \{\xi\}.$$

*Proof.* In view of  $\ker(P) = \mathcal{D}^0 \oplus \{\xi\}$  and

$$[P,P](X,Y) = [PX,PY] + P^{2}[X,Y] - P[PX,Y] - P[X,PY], \qquad X,Y \in TM,$$
 the proof follows immediately.

## 4. Nonexistence of proper semi-invariant submanifolds

From the definition of *LP*-Sasakian manifold, we get

$$\phi X = \bar{\nabla}_X \xi, \qquad X, Y \in T\bar{M}. \tag{36}$$

We call a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold  $\bar{M}$ , a Lorentzian special paracontact manifold if it satisfies (36). Obviously, a LP-Sasakian manifold is a Lorentzian special paracontact manifold. Now, we prove the following theorem.

**Theorm 4.1.** On a Lorentzian special paracontact manifold  $\bar{M}$  the distribution T determined by  $\eta$  is integrable.

*Proof.* Let 
$$X, Y \in \mathcal{T}$$
. Then  $\eta(X) = 0 = \eta(Y)$  and consequently, in view of (2), from (36) and (3) it follows that  $\eta[X, Y] = 0$ , for  $X, Y \in \mathcal{T}$ .

This theorem implies the following theorem.

**Theorm 4.2.** Let M be a semi-invariant submanifold of a Lorentzian special paracontact manifold. Then the distribution  $\mathcal{D}^1 \oplus \mathcal{D}^0$  is integrable.

Let M be a submanifold of a Lorentzian special paracontact manifold  $\overline{M}$  with  $\xi \in TM$ . Then, in view of (36), from (7) and (12) we get

$$PX = \nabla_X \xi, \qquad FX = h(X, \xi) \ (\Leftrightarrow tN = A_N \xi).$$

Consequently, we get

$$\eta(A_N X) = g(FX, N). \tag{37}$$

Moreover, if  $\bar{M}$  is LP-Sasakian, then in view of (5) and (10) we get

$$(\nabla_X P)Y - A_{FY}X - th(X,Y) = g(\phi X, \phi Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi^2 X. \tag{38}$$

Finally, we prove the following theorem.

**Theorm 4.3.** A LP-Sasakian manifold does not admit a proper semi-invariant submanifold.

*Proof.* We shall prove that  $\mathcal{D}^0 = \{0\}$ . Let  $X \in \mathcal{D}^0$  and  $Y \in TM$ . We get

$$\begin{split} g(A_{FX}X,Y) &= g(h(Y,X),FX) = g(th(Y,X),X) \\ &= g(\nabla_{Y}PX - P\nabla_{Y}X - A_{FX}Y - g(\phi Y,\phi X)\xi - \eta(X)\phi^{2}Y,X) \\ &= -g(\nabla_{Y}X,PX) - g(A_{FX}Y,X) = -g(A_{FX}X,Y), \end{split}$$

which implies that

$$A_{FX}X = 0, \qquad X \in \mathcal{D}^0$$

and consequently

$$0 = \eta(A_{FX}X) = g(FX, FX) = g(\phi X, \phi X) = g(X, X),$$
 that is,  $\mathcal{D}^0 = \{0\}.$ 

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