\(\eta\)-Ricci Solitons On Sasakian Manifolds Admitting General Connection

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Abstract: In this paper we study \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on Sasakian manifolds admitting general connection and obtain some conditions for the soliton to be shrinking, steady and expanding.


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Introduction

Hamilton [Hamilton 1988] in 1988, introduced the notion of Ricci flow to find a canonical metric on a smooth manifold. Ricci flow has become an important tool for the study of Riemannian manifold. The Ricci flow is an evolution equation for metrics on a Riemannian manifold defined as

\[
\frac{\partial}{\partial t} g_{ij}(t) = - 2 R_{ij}.
\]

A Ricci soliton emerges as the limit of the solution of the Ricci flow. A solution of the Ricci flow is called Ricci Soliton. It is a natural generalization of Einstein metric such that,

\[
(L_V g)(X,Y) + 2S(X,Y) + 2\alpha g(X,Y) = 0,
\]

where \(L_V g\) denotes the lie derivative of the Riemannian metric \(g\) along the vector field \(V\), \(\alpha\) is a constant, \(S\) is Ricci tensor and \(X,Y\) are arbitrary vector fields on \(\chi(M)\). A Ricci soliton is known as shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\alpha\) is negative, zero or positive respectively. A Ricci soliton with \(V = 0\) is reduced to Einstein manifold. In the last two decades, many geometers explore the geometry of Ricci solitons in the different settings of manifolds. Ricci soliton has been studied in contact geometry by many authors such as Sharma [Sharma 2008], Tripathi [Tripathi 2008], Ashoka et al. [Ashoka et al 2013, 2014], Bejan and Crasmareanu [Bejan and Crasmareanu 2011], Chandra et al. [Chandra 2015] and many others. It becomes more popular when Gregory Perelman applied Ricci solitons to solve the long-standing Poincare conjecture which was posed in 1904.

On the other hand, \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton is a generalization of Ricci soliton and was introduced by Cho and Kimura [Cho and Kimura 2009]. An \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton is a tuple \((\eta, V, \alpha, \beta)\) satisfying

\[
(L_V \eta)(X,Y) + 2S(X,Y) + 2\alpha g(X,Y) + 2\beta \eta(X)\eta(Y) = 0,
\]

where \(\beta\) is a constant and other notations are same as for Ricci soliton. In particular when \(\beta = 0\), \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton becomes Ricci soliton. Blaga obtained several results concerning \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on para-Kenmotsu manifold [Blaga 2015] and on Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifolds [Blaga 2016]. Further, Sardar and De...
[Sardar and De 2020], Pahan [Pahan 2020], Haseeb and Prasad [Haseeb and Prasad 2019], Hui and Chakraborty [Hui and Chakraborty 2016] and other authors also explore $\eta$-Ricci soliton on different structures.

Recently, Biswas and Baishya [Biswas and Baishya 2019] introduced a new connection, called general connection in the setting of Sasakian geometry as

$$
\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \lambda [(\nabla_X \eta)(Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\nabla_X \xi] + \mu \eta(X)\phi Y,
$$

for all $X, Y \in \chi(M)$. Where $\lambda$ and $\mu$ are real constants.

**Remark 1:** The beauty of general connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ lies in the fact that it reduces to:

1. Quarter symmetric metric connection for $(\lambda, \mu) = (0, -1)$.
2. Schouten-van Kampen connection for $(\lambda, \mu) = (1, 0)$.
3. Tanaka-Webster connection for $(\lambda, \mu) = (1, -1)$.
4. Zamkovoy connection for $(\lambda, \mu) = (1, 1)$.

The present paper organized as follow. After introduction, we revisit Sasakian manifold and collect some known results of Sasakian manifold admitting general connection in second section. In third section we study $\eta$-Ricci soliton on Sasakian manifold admitting general connection and obtained some results.

**Preliminaries**

An almost contact structure on a smooth manifold $M$ of dimension $n$ is a triplet $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$ where $\phi$ is a $(1,1)$-tensor field, $\xi$ is a vector field, and $\eta$ is a 1-form on $M$ satisfying

$$
\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1. 
$$

Equation (2.1) implies that

$$
\phi(\xi) = 0, \quad \eta(\phi(X)) = 0, \quad \text{rank}(\phi) = 2n.
$$

A smooth manifold $M$ endowed with an almost contact structure is called an almost contact manifold. A Riemannian metric $g$ on $M$ is said to be compatible with an almost contact structure $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$, if

$$
g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y),
$$

for all $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, where $\chi(M)$ is the Lie algebra of all vector fields on $M$. An almost contact manifold endowed with a compatible Riemannian metric is said to be an almost contact metric manifold and is denoted by $M(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$. The fundamental 2-form $\Phi$ on $M(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ is defined by $\Phi(X, Y) = g(X, \phi Y) = -\Phi(Y, X)$ for all $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

An almost contact metric manifold is said to be Sasakian manifold if

$$
(\nabla X \phi) Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X,
$$

where $\nabla$ denotes covariant differentiation with respect to the Riemannian connection of $g$.

From the above equation, we deduce that for a Sasakian structure
Further, on a Sasakian manifold the following relation holds:

\[ R(X,Y)\xi = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y, \quad (2.6) \]
\[ R(\xi,X)Y = -R(X,\xi)Y = g(X,Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X, \quad (2.7) \]

\[ S(X,\xi) = (n-1)\eta(X), \quad (2.8) \]
\[ Q\xi = (n-1)\xi, \quad (2.9) \]
\[ (V_{Xn})Y = g(X,\phi Y), \quad (2.10) \]

for all vector fields \( X, Y \) and \( Z \) on \( M \), where \( R, S \) and \( Q \) are Riemann Curvature tensor, Ricci tensor and Ricci operator respectively. We now recall a definition for later use.

**Definition 2.1:** A Sasakian manifold is said to be quasi-conformal like flat with respect to general connection if

\[ \tilde{\omega}(X,Y)Z = 0, \]

where \( \tilde{\omega} \) is quasi-conformal like curvature tensor with respect to general connection, and given by

\[ \tilde{\omega}(X,Y)Z = \bar{R}(X,Y)Z + a[\bar{S}(Y,Z)X - \bar{S}(X,Z)Y] \]
\[ -\frac{c^2}{n}(\frac{1}{n-1} + a + b)[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] \]
\[ + b[g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)\bar{\bar{Y}}], \quad (2.11) \]

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

**Remark 2:** The quasi-conformal like curvature tensor has the following flavours:

1. Riemann curvature tensor \( \bar{R} \) for \( (a, b, c) = (0,0,0) \).
2. Conformal curvature tensor \( \bar{C} \) for \( (a, b, c) = \left(\frac{-1}{n-2}, -\frac{1}{n-2}, 1\right) \).
3. Conharmonic curvature tensor \( \bar{L} \) for \( (a, b, c) = \left(\frac{-1}{n-2}, -\frac{1}{n-2}, 0\right) \).
4. Concircular curvature tensor \( \bar{E} \) for \( (a, b, c) = (0,0,1) \).
5. Projective curvature tensor \( \bar{P} \) for \( (a, b, c) = \left(\frac{-1}{n-1}, 0,0\right) \).
6. \( m \)-projective curvature tensor \( \bar{H} \) for \( (a, b, c) = \left(\frac{-1}{2n-2}, -\frac{1}{2n-2}, 0\right) \).
7. \( \bar{W}_1 \) curvature tensor for \( (a, b, c) = \left(\frac{1}{n-1}, 0,0\right) \).
8. \( \bar{W}_2 \) curvature tensor for \( (a, b, c) = \left(0, \frac{-1}{n-1}, 0\right) \).
9. \( \bar{W}_4 \) curvature tensor for \( (a, b, c) = \left(0,0,\frac{n}{2}\right) \).

We now collect some results on Sasakian manifold admitting general connection [Biswas and Baishya 2019]. Let \( \bar{M} \) be a Sasakian manifold, then on \( \bar{M} \) we have the following results with respect to general connection \( \bar{V} \).

\[ \bar{V}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \lambda g(X,\phi Y)\xi + \eta(Y)\phi X + \mu \eta(X)\phi Y. \quad (2.12) \]
\[ \bar{V}_X \xi = (\lambda - 1)\phi X, \quad (2.13) \]
\[ \bar{V}_X \eta(Y) = \nabla_X \eta(Y,\xi) = \eta(\nabla_{XY}) + \lambda g(X,\phi Y) + (\lambda - 1)g(Y,\phi X). \quad (2.14) \]
The Riemann curvature tensor $\tilde{R}$, with respect to general connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ is given by:

$$\tilde{R}(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z + \left(\lambda^2 - \lambda\right)[g(Z,\phi X)\phi Y + g(Y,\phi Z)\phi X]$$
$$- 2\mu g(Y,\phi X)\phi Z + (\lambda - \lambda\mu + \mu)[g(X,\eta(Y))\eta(X)\eta(Y)]$$
$$- \eta(X)g(Y,Z)\eta(X)\eta(Y) - \eta(Y)\eta(Z)X.$$

The Ricci tensor $\tilde{S}$, with respect to general connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ is given by:

$$\tilde{S}(X, Y) = S(X, Y) - \left(\lambda^2 - \lambda - \mu - \lambda\mu\right)g(X, Y) + \left(\lambda^2 + (n - 2)\lambda\mu - n(\lambda + \mu)\right)\eta(X)\eta(Y).$$

The Ricci operator $\tilde{Q}$ and scalar curvature $\tilde{r}$ with respect to general connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ is given by:

$$\tilde{Q}X = QX - \left(\lambda^2 - \lambda - \mu - \lambda\mu\right)X + \left(\lambda^2 + (n - 2)\lambda\mu - n(\lambda + \mu)\right)\eta(X)\xi,$$
$$\tilde{r} = r - \left(\lambda^2 - \lambda - \mu - \lambda\mu\right)n + \left(\lambda^2 + (n - 2)\lambda\mu - n(\lambda + \mu)\right).$$

**The Riemann curvature tensor**

Let $M$ be a Sasakian manifold admitting $\eta$-Ricci soliton with respect to general connection, then by (1.2), we have

$$(\tilde{L}_\xi g)(X, Y) + 2\tilde{S}(X, Y) + 2\alpha g(X, Y) + 2\beta \eta(X)\eta(Y) = 0.$$ (3.1)

Expressing the Lie derivative along $\xi$ with respect to general connection we obtain

$$(\tilde{L}_\xi g)(X, Y) = \tilde{L}_\xi g(X, Y) - g(\tilde{L}_\xi X, Y) - g(X, \tilde{L}_\xi Y)$$
$$= \tilde{\nabla}_\xi g(X, Y) - g([\xi, X], Y) - g(X, [\xi, Y])$$
$$= \tilde{\nabla}_\xi g(X, Y) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_\xi X - \tilde{\nabla}_X \xi, Y) - g(X, \tilde{\nabla}_\xi Y - \tilde{\nabla}_Y \xi).$$ (3.2)

By (1.3), above equation becomes

$$(\tilde{L}_\xi g)(X, Y) = 2g(\tilde{\nabla}_\xi X, Y) + 2g(X, \tilde{\nabla}_\xi Y) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_\xi X, Y) + g(X, \tilde{\nabla}_\xi Y).$$ (3.3)

which reduces to, by the help of (2.13), the following form

$$(\tilde{L}_\xi g)(X, Y) = 0.$$ (3.4)

So (3.1) becomes

$$\tilde{S}(X, Y) = -\alpha g(X, Y) - \beta \eta(X)\eta(Y).$$ (3.5)

Setting $X = Y = \xi$ and using (2.18), we get

$$\alpha + \beta = (n - 1)(\lambda - \lambda\mu + \mu - 1).$$ (3.6)
Summarizing the above, we therefore state the following:

**Theorem 3.1:** Let \((g, \xi, \alpha, \beta)\) is an \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on a Sasakian manifold \(\mathcal{M}\), then the \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton is-

1. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(2(1 - n) < \beta, 2(1 - n) = \beta\) or \(2(1 - n) > \beta\) respectively, for quarter-symmetric metric connection.

2. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta > 0, \beta = 0\) or \(\beta < 0\) respectively, for Schouten-van Kampen connection, Tanaka-Webster connection and Zamkovoy connection.

Now, consider that the Sasakian manifold is Quasi-conformal like flat with respect to general connection, then by definition (2.1) we have

\[
\bar{\mathcal{R}}(X,Y)Z = -\alpha [\bar{\mathcal{S}}(Y,Z)X - \bar{\mathcal{S}}(X,Z)Y] + \frac{c^\ell}{n} \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} + a + b \right] [g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] - b[g(Y,Z)\bar{Q}X - g(X,Z)\bar{Q}Y].
\]

(3.7)

Taking inner product with \(W\), we obtain

\[
\bar{\mathcal{R}}(X,Y,Z,W) = -\alpha [\bar{\mathcal{S}}(Y,Z)g(X,W) - \bar{\mathcal{S}}(X,Z)g(Y,W)] + \frac{c^\ell}{n} \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} + a + b \right] [g(Y,Z)g(X,W) - g(X,Z)g(Y,W)] - b[g(Y,Z)\bar{Q}(X,W) - g(X,Z)\bar{Q}(Y,W)].
\]

(3.8)

Let \(\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \ldots, e_n\}\) be an orthonormal basis for \(\mathcal{M}\). Putting \(Y = Z = e_i\) in (3.8) and taking summation over \(i\), we get

\[
\bar{\mathcal{S}}(X,W) = \frac{c^\ell}{n} \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} + a + b \right] \left( \frac{n-1}{1+bn-\alpha-b} - \left( \frac{a^\ell}{1+bn-\alpha-b} \right) \right] g(X,W).
\]

(3.9)

using (3.5) in (3.9), we get

\[
-\alpha g(X,W) - \beta \eta(X)\eta(W) = \left[ \frac{c^\ell}{n} \left( \frac{1}{n-1} + a + b \right) \left( \frac{n-1}{1+bn-\alpha-b} \right) \right] g(X,W) - \left[ \left( \frac{a^\ell}{1+bn-\alpha-b} \right) \right] g(X,W).
\]

(3.10)

Putting \(X = W = \xi\), in (3.10), we get

\[
-(\alpha + \beta) = \left[ \frac{c^\ell}{n} \left( \frac{1}{n-1} + a + b \right) \left( \frac{n-1}{1+bn-\alpha-b} \right) - \left( \frac{a^\ell}{1+bn-\alpha-b} \right) \right].
\]

(3.11)

which reduces to, by the help of (2.20), in the following form

\[
-(\alpha + \beta) = \left( c \left( \lambda - \left( \lambda^2 - \lambda - \mu - \lambda \mu \right) n + \left( \lambda^2 + (n-2)\lambda \mu - n(\lambda + \mu) \right) \right) \right) \left( \frac{1}{n-1} + a \right) + b \left( \frac{n-1}{1+bn-\alpha-b} \right)
\]


Therefore, we state the following theorems:

**Theorem 3.2:** If \((\mathcal{G}, \xi, \lambda, \mu)\) is an \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on the quasi-conformal like flat Sasakian manifold with respect to general connection \(\tilde{\nabla}\), then \(\alpha\) and \(\beta\) are related by the equation (3.12).

**Theorem 3.3:** If \((\mathcal{G}, \xi, \lambda, \mu)\) is an \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on concircularly flat or projectively flat or \(m\)-projectively flat Sasakian manifold, then the \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton is:

1. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta + \frac{r}{n}\) is positive, zero or negative, with respect to quarter symmetric metric connection.
2. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta + \frac{r+1-n}{n}\) is positive, zero or negative, with respect to Schouten-van Kampen connection.
3. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta + \frac{r-3n+3}{n}\) is positive, zero or negative, with respect to Tanaka-Webster connection.
4. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta + \frac{r+n-1}{n}\) is positive, zero or negative, with respect to Zamkovoy connection.

**Proof:** For \((a, b, c) = (0,0,1)\), or \((\frac{-1}{n-1}, 0, 0)\), or \((\frac{-1}{2n-2}, \frac{-1}{2n-2}, 0)\), we get, from (3.12),

\[-(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{r - (\lambda^2 - \lambda - \mu)n + \lambda^2 + (n - 2)\lambda\mu - n(\lambda + \mu)}{n}.

Hence, the theorem follows by choosing suitable values of \(\lambda\) and \(\mu\).

**Theorem 3.4:** If \((\mathcal{G}, \xi, \lambda, \mu)\) is an \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on a Sasakian manifold which is flat with respect to \(\tilde{W}_1\)-curvature tensor, then the \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton is:

1. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\frac{r}{n-2} - \beta\) is negative, zero or positive, with respect to quarter symmetric metric connection.
2. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\frac{r+1-n}{n-2} - \beta\) is negative, zero or positive, with respect to Schouten-van Kampen connection.
3. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\frac{r-3n+3}{n-2} - \beta\) is negative, zero or positive, with respect to Tanaka-Webster connection.
4. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\frac{r+n-1}{n-2} - \beta\) is negative, zero or positive, with respect to Zamkovoy connection.

**Proof:** The proof is similar as of theorem 3.3.

**Theorem 3.5:** If \((\mathcal{G}, \xi, \lambda, \mu)\) is an \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton on a Sasakian manifold which is flat with respect to \(\tilde{W}_4\)-curvature tensor, then the \(\eta\)-Ricci soliton is:

1. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta + r^2\) is positive, zero or negative, with respect to quarter symmetric metric connection.
2. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as \(\beta + r^2 + r - nr\) is positive, zero or negative, with respect to Schouten-van Kampen connection.
3. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as with respect to Tanaka-Webster connection.

4. Shrinking, steady or expanding according as with respect to Zamkovoy connection.

Proof: The proof is similar as of theorem 3.3.

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\(\beta + r^2 - 3nr + 3r\) is positive, zero or negative, \(\beta + r^2 + rn - r\) is positive, zero or negative, with


