

# On Indefinite Almost Paracontact Metric Manifold

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## **Abstract**

The object of the present paper is to study various properties of fundamental 2-form of Indefinite almost paracontact metric manifold. We have also studied an affine connection satisfying various conditions.

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## **1 Introduction**

The notion of almost paracontact manifold was introduced by Sato [4] in 1976. The structure is an analogue of the almost contact structure [3,12] and is closely related to almost product structure [in contrast to almost contact structure, which is related to almost complex structure]. An almost contact manifold is always odd dimensional but an almost paracontact manifold could be even dimensional as well. In 1969, Takahashi [13] introduced almost contact manifold equipped with associated pseudo-Riemannian metrics. In particular, he studied Sasakian manifolds equipped with an associated pseudo-Riemannian metric. These indefinite almost contact metric manifold and indefinite Sasakian

manifolds are also known as  $\epsilon$ -almost contact metric manifolds and  $\epsilon$ -Sasakian manifolds, respectively [1,6,7]. Also, in 1989, Matsumoto [8] replaced the structure vector field  $\xi$  by  $-\xi$  in an almost paracontact manifold and associated a Lorentzian metric with the resulting structure and called it a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold. In a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold given by Matsumoto, the semi-Riemannian metric has only index 1 and the structure vector field  $\xi$  is always like. Motivated by these circumstances M.M. Tripathi et. al. [9] associated a semi-Riemannian metric, not necessarily Lorentzian, with an almost paracontact structure, and they called this indefinite almost paracontact metric structure an  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact structure, where the structure vector field  $\xi$  is space like or time like according as  $\epsilon = 1$  or  $\epsilon = -1$ . In [9] the authors studied  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact manifolds, and in particular  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifold. They gave basic definitions and some examples of  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact manifolds and introduced the notion of an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian structure. The basic properties, some typical, identities for curvature tensor and Ricci tensor of  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifold were also studied in [9]. The authors proved that if a semi-Riemannian manifold is one of flat proper recurrent or proper Ricci-Recurrent than it can not admit an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian structure. Also, they showed that, for an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifold, the conditions of being symmetric, semi-symmetric or of constant sectional curvature are all identical.

In subsequent paper, M.M. Tripathi et.al studied 3-dimensional  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifolds. They obtained a necessary and sufficient condition for an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian 3-manifolds to be an indefinite space form.

The present paper is the continuation of previous studies. In section 2, we sketch the notion of  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric manifold,  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifold and its properties. In section-3, we study some properties of fundamental 2-form of  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact manifold. Section-4, deals with affine connections satisfying various properties.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional almost paracontact manifold [4] equipped with an almost paracontact structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta)$  consisting of a tensor field of  $\varphi$  of type  $(1, 1)$ , a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying

$$\varphi^2 = I - \eta \otimes \xi, \quad (1)$$

$$\eta(\xi) = 1, \quad (2)$$

$$\varphi(\xi) = 0, \quad (3)$$

and

$$\eta \circ \varphi = 0. \tag{4}$$

Throughout this paper, we assume that  $X, Y, Z, U, V, W \in \chi(M)$ , where  $\chi(M)$  is the Lie algebra of vector fields in  $M$ , unless specifically stated otherwise. By a semi-Riemannian metric [2] on a manifold  $M$ , we understand a non-degenerate symmetric tensor field  $g$  of type  $(0, 2)$ . In particular, if its index is 1, it becomes a Lorentzian metric [5]. Let  $g$  be a semi-Riemannian metric with index  $(g) = v$  in an  $n$ -dimensional almost paracontact manifold  $M$  such that

$$g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \epsilon \eta(X)\eta(Y), \tag{5}$$

where  $\epsilon = \pm 1$ . Then  $M$  is called an- almost paracontact metric manifold equipped with an  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$  [9]. In particular, if  $\text{index}(g) = 1$ , then an  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric manifold will be called a Lorentzian almost paracontact manifold. In particular, if the metric is positive definite, then an  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric manifold is the usual almost paracontact metric manifold [4].

The condition (5) is equivalent to

$$g(X, \varphi Y) = g(\varphi X, Y) \tag{6}$$

along with

$$g(X, \xi) = \epsilon \eta(X). \tag{7}$$

From (7), it follows that

$$g(\xi, \xi) = \epsilon. \tag{8}$$

that is, structure vector field  $\xi$  is never light like. Defining

$$\phi(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y), \tag{9}$$

we note that

$$\phi(X, \xi) = 0. \tag{10}$$

From (9), we also have

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) = g((\nabla_X \varphi)Y, Z) = (\nabla_X \phi)(Z, Y). \tag{11}$$

If on an  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric manifold  $M$

$$2\phi(X, Y) = (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) + (\nabla_Y \eta)(X) \tag{12}$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ , then  $M$  is called as  $\epsilon$ -paracontact metric manifold [9]. An  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g, \epsilon)$  is called an  $\epsilon$ -S-Paracontact metric structure if

$$\nabla \xi = \epsilon \varphi. \quad (13)$$

A manifold equipped with an  $\epsilon$ -S-paracontact metric structure is called an  $\epsilon$ -S-paracontact metric manifold. Equation (13) is equivalent to

$$\phi(X, Y) = g(\varphi X, Y) = \epsilon g(\nabla_X \xi, Y) = (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) \quad (14)$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ . An  $\epsilon$ -almost paracontact metric structure is called an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian structure if [9]

$$(\nabla_X \varphi)(Y) = g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) \xi - \epsilon \eta(Y) \varphi^2 X, \quad (15)$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection with respect to  $g$ . A manifold endowed with an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian structure is called an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifold. For  $\epsilon = 1$  and  $g$  Riemannian,  $M$  is the usual para-Sasakian manifold [4]. For,  $\epsilon = -1$ ,  $g$  Lorentzian and  $\xi$  replaced by  $-\xi$ ,  $M$  becomes a Lorentzian Para Sasakian manifold [8].

It is known that on an  $\epsilon$ -para Sasakian manifold [9]

$$R(X, Y, \xi) = \eta(X)Y - \eta(Y)X, \quad (16)$$

$$R(X, Y, Z, \xi) = -\eta(X)g(Y, Z) + \eta(Y)g(X, Z), \quad (17)$$

$$\eta(R(X, Y, Z)) = -\epsilon \eta(X)g(Y, Z) + \epsilon \eta(Y)g(X, Z), \quad (18)$$

$$R(\xi, X, Y) = -\epsilon g(X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)X, \quad (19)$$

and

$$S(X, \xi) = -(n - 1)\eta(X), \quad (20)$$

where  $S$  denotes the Ricci tensor of the manifold.

### 3 Fundamental 2-form

In this section, we have studied various properties of fundamental 2-form  $\phi(Y, Z)$  of indefinite almost paracontact metric manifold

**Theorem 3.1.** *On an indefinite almost paracontact metric manifold  $M$ , we have*

1.  $(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}) = -\eta((\nabla_X \varphi)(Y)),$
2.  $(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, \xi) = -\phi(Y, \nabla_X \xi),$
3.  $(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, \xi) = -\varepsilon(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}),$
4.  $\phi(Y, \nabla_X \xi) = \varepsilon(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}).$

**Proof:** (i) From (4), we have

$$\eta(\varphi(Y)) = 0.$$

Differentiating the above equation covariantly, with respect to the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$ , we get

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}) + \eta((\nabla_X \varphi)(Y)) + \eta(\overline{\nabla_X Y}) = 0,$$

where, we have put

$$\varphi(X) = \bar{X}.$$

Using (3), (7) and (8), in above equation, we obtain

$$(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}) = -\eta((\nabla_X \varphi)(Y)). \tag{21}$$

(ii) Differentiating (10), covariantly, we obtain

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, \xi) = -\phi(Y, \nabla_X \xi). \tag{22}$$

(iii) Putting  $Z = X$  in (11), we get

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, \xi) = g((\nabla_X \varphi)(Y), \xi),$$

which in view of (7) and (21), reduces to

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, \xi) = -\varepsilon(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}). \tag{23}$$

(iv) This result follows from (ii) and (iii), i.e.,

$$\phi(Y, \nabla_X \xi) = \varepsilon(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}). \tag{24}$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *On an indefinite almost paracontact manifold, we have*

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(\bar{Y}, Z) + (\nabla_X \phi)(Y, \bar{Z}) = -\varepsilon[(\nabla_X \eta)(Y)\eta(Z) - (\nabla_X \eta)(Z)\eta(Y)].$$

**Proof :** Barring  $Y$  in (9) and using (1), we obtain

$$\phi(\bar{Y}, Z) = g(\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}) = g(Y, Z) - \varepsilon\eta(Y)\eta(Z) \quad (25)$$

and also

$$\phi(Y, \bar{Z}) = \phi(\bar{Y}, Z) = g(Y, Z) - \varepsilon\eta(Y)\eta(Z). \quad (26)$$

Now, differentiating (25), covariantly, we get

$$(\nabla_X\phi)(\bar{Y}, Z) + \phi((\nabla_X\varphi)(Z), Y) = -\varepsilon[(\nabla_X\eta)(Y)\eta(Z) + \eta(Y)(\nabla_X\eta)(Z)]. \quad (27)$$

Again, Differentiating (25), we get

$$(\nabla_X\phi)(Y, \bar{Z}) + \phi((\nabla_X\varphi)(Z), Y) = -\varepsilon[(\nabla_X\eta)(Y)\eta(Z)\eta(Y)(\nabla_X\eta)(Z)]. \quad (28)$$

From (5), we have

$$g(\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}) = g(Y, Z) - \varepsilon\eta(Y)\eta(Z).$$

Differentiation of this equation yields

$$\begin{aligned} g((\nabla_X\varphi)(Y), \bar{Z}) + g(\varphi(\nabla_X Y), \bar{Z}) + g(\bar{Y}(\nabla_X\varphi)(Z)) + g(\bar{Y}, \varphi(\nabla_X Z)) \\ = g(\nabla_X Y, Z) + g(Y, \nabla_X Z) - \varepsilon(\nabla_X\eta)(Y)\eta(Z) - \varepsilon\eta(\nabla_X Y)\eta(Z) \\ - \varepsilon\eta(Y)(\nabla_X\eta)(Z) - \varepsilon\eta(Y)\eta(\nabla_X Z), \end{aligned}$$

which, after simplification, gives

$$g((\nabla_X\varphi)(Y), \bar{Z}) + g(\bar{Y}, (\nabla_X\varphi)(Z)) = -\varepsilon[(\nabla_X\eta)(Y)\eta(Z) + \eta(Y)(\nabla_X\eta)(Z)]. \quad (29)$$

Now, adding (27) and (28), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X\phi)(\bar{Y}, Z) + (\nabla_X\phi)(Y, \bar{Z}) + \phi((\nabla_X\varphi)(Y), Z) + \phi(Y, (\nabla_X\varphi)(Z)) \\ = -2\varepsilon[(\nabla_X\eta)(Y)\eta(Z) + (\nabla_X\eta)(Z)\eta(Y)], \end{aligned}$$

which, on using (29) and (30), gives

$$(\nabla_X\phi)(\bar{Y}, Z) + (\nabla_X\phi)(Y, \bar{Z}) = -\varepsilon[(\nabla_X\eta)(Y)\eta(Z) + (\nabla_X\eta)(Z)\eta(Y)]. \quad (30)$$

which proves the result.

**Corollary 3.3.** *On an indefinite almost paracontact manifold, we have*

$$(\nabla_X\phi)(\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}) + (\nabla_X\phi)(Y, Z) = -\varepsilon[\eta(Z)(\nabla_X\eta)\bar{Y} + \eta(Y)(\nabla_X\eta)(\bar{Z})].$$

**Proof:** Barring  $Z$  in (30) and using (1), we have

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}) + (\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z - \eta(Z)\xi) = -\varepsilon[\eta(\bar{Z})(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}) + \eta(Y)(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Z})],$$

which after simplification, produces

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(\bar{Y}, \bar{Z}) + (\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) = -\varepsilon[\eta(Z)(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Y}) + \eta(Y)(\nabla_X \eta)(\bar{Z})]. \quad (31)$$

**Theorem 3.4.** *On an  $\epsilon$ -S-paracontact manifold, we have*

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y \phi)(X, Z) = -\eta(K(X, Y, Z)).$$

where  $K$  represents curvature tensor of the manifold.

**Proof :** On an  $\epsilon$ -S-paracontact manifold, we have

$$\nabla_X \xi = \varphi X, \quad (32)$$

which produces

$$\phi(X, Y) = (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = X(\eta(Y)) - \eta(\nabla_X Y). \quad (33)$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) + \phi(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \phi(Y, \nabla_X Z) \\ = X(Y(\eta(Z))) - (\nabla_X \eta)(\nabla_Y Z) - \eta(\nabla_X \nabla_Y Z). \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Interchanging  $X$  and  $Y$  in above, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_Y \phi)(X, Z) + \phi(\nabla_Y X, Z) + \phi(X, \nabla_Y Z) \\ = Y(X(\eta(Z))) - (\nabla_Y \eta)(\nabla_X Z) - \eta(\nabla_Y \nabla_X Z). \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Subtracting (35) from (34), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_X \phi)(X, Z) + \phi(\nabla_X Y, Z) + \phi(Y, \nabla_X Z) - \phi(\nabla_Y X, Z) - \phi(X, \nabla_Y Z) \\ = X(Y(\eta(Z))) - (\nabla_X \eta)(\nabla_Y Z) - \eta(\nabla_X \nabla_Y Z) \\ - Y(X(\eta(Z))) + (\nabla_Y \eta)(\nabla_X Z) + \eta(\nabla_Y \nabla_X Z), \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

which after simplification gives

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y \phi)(X, Z) + \phi([X, Y], Z) = [X, Y](\eta(Z)) - \eta(\nabla_X \nabla_Y Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X Z).$$

Using (33) in above equation, we get

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y \phi)(X, Z) = -\eta(K(X, Y, Z)), \quad (37)$$

which proves the result.

## 4 Affine Connection

In this section, we study properties of some affine connections. Let us put

$$B_X Y = D_X Y + H(X, Y). \quad (38)$$

where  $D$  is Levi-Civita connection of the indefinite almost para contact manifold  $M^n$ . The torsion tensor  $S(X, Y)$  of the affine connection  $B$  is given by

$$S(X, Y) = H(X, Y) - H(Y, X) \quad (39)$$

and

$$\dot{S}(X, Y, Z) = g(S(X, Y, Z)) = \dot{H}(X, Y, Z) - \dot{H}(X, Y, Z), \quad (40)$$

where  $\dot{H}(X, Y, Z) = g((H, X, Y), Z)$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *If the affine connection  $B$  is a metric connection, i.e.,*

$$(B_X g)(Y, Z) = 0, \quad (41)$$

then

- (i)  $\dot{H}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{H}(X, Y, Z) = 0$ ,
- (ii)  $2g(B_Y Z, X) = 2g(D_Y Z, X) + \dot{S}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{S}(Y, Z, X) - \dot{S}(Z, X, Y)$ .

**Proof:** (i) We have

$$(B_X g)(Y, Z) = X(g(Y, Z)) - g(B_X Y, Z) - g(Y, B_X Z),$$

which, due to (38), reduces to

$$(B_X Y)(Y, Z) = (D_X g)(Y, Z) - g(H(X, Y), Z) - g(Y, H(X, Z)).$$

using (41) and (40), we obtain

$$\dot{H}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{H}(X, Y, Z) = 0. \quad (42)$$

(ii) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{S}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{S}(Y, Z, X) - \dot{S}(Z, X, Y) &= \dot{H}(X, Y, Z) \\ &\quad - \dot{H}(Y, X, Z) + \dot{H}(Y, Z, X) - \dot{H}(Z, Y, X) \\ &\quad + \dot{H}(Z, X, Y) - \dot{H}(X, Z, Y). \end{aligned}$$

Now, using (42), we get

$$\dot{S}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{S}(Y, Z, X) - \dot{S}(Z, X, Y) = 2\dot{H}(Y, Z, X).$$

This, in view of (40) and (38), reduces to

$$\dot{S}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{S}(Y, Z, X) - \dot{S}(Z, X, Y) = 2g(B_Y Z - D_Y Z, X).$$

This gives

$$2g(B_Y Z, X) = 2g(D_Y Z, X) + \dot{S}(X, Y, Z) + \dot{S}(Y, Z, X) - \dot{S}(Z, X, Y). \quad (43)$$



**Theorem 4.2.** *Let the connection  $B$  satisfies*

- (a)  $(B_X\phi)(Y, Z) = 0$  and
- (b)  $\dot{H}(X, Z, \bar{Y}) - \dot{H}(Y, Z, \bar{X}) = 0$ ,

then

- (i)  $\sigma_{(X,Y,Z)}(D_X\phi)(Y, Z) = 2H(X, Y, \bar{Z}) + 2\dot{H}(X, Z, \bar{Y}) + 2\dot{H}(Z, X, \bar{Y})$ ,
- (ii)  $(D_X\phi)(Y, Z) - (D_X\phi)(Z, X) = S(X, Y, \bar{Z})$ .

**Proof:** (i) We have

$$(B_X\phi)(Y, Z) = X(\phi(Y, Z)) - \phi(B_XY, Z) - \phi(Y, B_XZ).$$

Using (a) and (38), in above, we get

$$(D_X\phi)(Y, Z) = \dot{H}(X, Y, \bar{Z}) + \dot{H}(X, Z, \bar{Y}). \tag{44}$$

Now writing two more equation by cyclic permutations of  $X, Y$  and  $Z$ , we have

$$(D_Y\phi)(Z, X) = \dot{H}(Y, Z, \bar{X}) + \dot{H}(Y, X, \bar{Z}) \tag{45}$$

and

$$(D_Z\phi)(X, Y) = \dot{H}(Z, X, \bar{Y}) + \dot{H}(Z, Y, \bar{X}). \tag{46}$$

Adding (44), (45) and (46) and then using (b), we get desired result.

(ii) Now subtracting (4.9) from (4.8), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (D_X\phi)(Y, Z) - (D_Y\phi)(Z, X) &= \dot{H}(X, Y, \bar{Z}) + \dot{H}(X, Z, \bar{Y}) \\ &\quad - \dot{H}(Y, Z, \bar{X}) - \dot{H}(Y, X, \bar{Z}), \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

which, on using condition (b), gives

$$(D_X\phi)(Y, Z) - (D_Y\phi)(Z, X) = \dot{H}(X, Y, \bar{Z}) - \dot{H}(Y, X, \bar{Z}).$$

Using (40), in above, we get

$$(D_X\phi)(Y, Z) - (D_Y\phi)(Z, X) = S(X, Y, \bar{Z}). \tag{48}$$

which is the desired result.

**Theorem 4.3.** *If on an  $\epsilon$ -S-paracontact manifold the connection  $B$*

- (a)  $(B_X\phi)(Y, Z) = 0$
  - and (b)  $\dot{H}(X, Z, \bar{Y}) - \dot{H}(Y, Z, \bar{X}) = 0$ ,
- then

$$(D_X\phi)(Y, Z) - (D_Y\phi)(Z, X) = S(X, Y, \bar{Z}) = -\eta(K(X, Y, Z)). \tag{49}$$

**Proof:** Proof of this theorem follows from the theorem (3.3) and (ii) result of theorem (4.2).

**Corollary 4.4.** *If on an  $\epsilon$ -S-paracontact manifold the connection  $B$  satisfies properties (a) and (b) of the theorem (4.3), then*

$$K(X, Y, \xi) = \overline{\epsilon S(X, Y)}. \quad (50)$$

**Proof:** From (49), we have

$$g(S(X, Y), \bar{Z}) = -\epsilon g(K(X, Y, Z), \xi).$$

Using (6) and skew-symmetry property of  $K$ , we have

$$g(S(\bar{X}, Y), Z) = \epsilon g(K(X, Y, \xi), Z),$$

which gives

$$K(X, Y, \xi) = \overline{\epsilon S(X, Y)},$$

which proves result.

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