

ON $N(k)$ MIXED QUASI EINSTEIN WARPED PRODUCTS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we have studied $N(k)$ -mixed quasi Einstein warped product manifolds for arbitrary dimension $n \geq 3$.

1. INTRODUCTION

The notion of quasi Einstein manifold was introduced in a paper [8] by M. C. Chaki and R. K. Maity. According to them a non-flat Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) , $(n \geq 3)$ is defined to be a quasi Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y)$$

and is not identically zero, where α, β are scalars, $\beta \neq 0$ and A is a non-zero 1-form such that

$$g(X, \rho_1) = A(X), \quad \forall X \in TM,$$

where ρ_1 is a unit vector field.

In such a case α, β are called the associated scalars. A is called the associated 1-form and ρ_1 is called the generator of the manifold. Such an n -dimensional manifold is denoted by the symbol $(QE)_n$.

Again, in [14], U. C. De and G. C. Ghosh defined generalized quasi Einstein manifold. A non-flat Riemannian manifold is called a generalized quasi Einstein manifold if its Ricci-tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ is non-zero and satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y) + \gamma B(X)B(Y),$$

where α, β, γ are non-zero scalars and A, B are two 1-forms such that

$$(1) \quad g(X, \rho_1) = A(X) \quad \text{and} \quad g(X, \rho_2) = B(X),$$

where ρ_1, ρ_2 are unit vectors which are orthogonal, i.e.,

$$g(\rho_1, \rho_2) = 0.$$

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The vector fields ρ_1 and ρ_2 are called the generators of the manifold. This type of manifold are denoted by $G(QE)_n$.

Again in [9], Chaki introduced super quasi Einstein manifold, denoted by $S(QE)_n$, where the Ricci-tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ which is not identically zero satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y) + \gamma[A(X)B(Y) + A(Y)B(X)] + \delta D(X, Y),$$

where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are scalars with $\beta \neq 0, \gamma \neq 0, \delta \neq 0$ and A, B are two non-zero 1-forms defined as (1) and ρ_1, ρ_2 being mutually orthogonal unit vector fields, D is a symmetric $(0, 2)$ tensor with zero trace which satisfies the condition

$$D(X, \rho_1) = 0, \quad \forall X.$$

In such case $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are called the associated scalars, A, B are called the associated main and auxiliary 1-forms, ρ_1, ρ_2 are called the main and the auxiliary generators and D is called the associated tensor of the manifold. Such an n -dimensional manifold shall be denoted by the symbol $S(QE)_n$.

In the papers [2], [4] A. Bhattacharyya and T. De introduced the notion of mixed generalized quasi Einstein manifold. A non-flat Riemannian manifold is called a mixed generalized quasi-Einstein manifold if its Ricci tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ is non-zero and satisfies the condition

$$S(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y) + \gamma B(X)B(Y) + \delta[A(X)B(Y) + B(X)A(Y)],$$

where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are non-zero scalars,

$$g(X, \rho_1) = A(X), \quad g(X, \rho_2) = B(X),$$

and

$$g(\rho_1, \rho_2) = 0,$$

A, B are two non-zero 1-forms, ρ_1 and ρ_2 are unit vector fields corresponding to the 1-forms A and B , respectively.

If $\delta = 0$, then the manifold reduces to a $G(QE)_n$. This type of manifold is denoted by $MG(QE)_n$.

Again a Riemannian manifold is said to be a manifold of generalized quasi-constant curvature [3], [6], [13] if the curvature tensor R of type $(0, 4)$ satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y, Z, W) = & p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)] + q_1[g(X, W)A(Y)A(Z) \\ & - g(X, Z)A(Y)A(W) + g(Y, Z)A(X)A(W) - g(Y, W)A(X)A(Z)] \\ & + s[g(X, W)B(Y)B(Z) - g(X, Z)B(Y)B(W) \\ & + g(Y, Z)B(X)B(W) - g(Y, W)B(X)B(Z)], \end{aligned}$$

where p, q_1, s are scalars, A and B are non-zero 1-forms, ρ_1 and ρ_2 are unit orthogonal vector fields, such that

$$(2) \quad g(X, \rho_1) = A(X) \quad \text{and} \quad g(X, \rho_2) = B(X)$$

and

$$(3) \quad g(\rho_1, \rho_2) = 0.$$

Again a Riemannian manifold is said to be a manifold of mixed generalized quasi-constant curvature [2], [4], [15] if the curvature tensor $\mathcal{R}$ of type $(0, 4)$ satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = & p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)] + q_1[g(X, W)A(Y)A(Z) \\ & - g(Y, W)A(X)A(Z) + g(Y, Z)A(X)A(W) - g(X, Z)A(Y)A(W)] \\ & + s[g(X, W)B(Y)B(Z) - g(Y, W)B(X)B(Z) + g(Y, Z)B(X)B(W) \\ & - g(X, Z)B(Y)B(W) + t\{A(Y)B(Z) + B(Y)A(Z)\}g(X, W) \\ & - \{A(X)B(Z) + B(X)A(Z)\}g(Y, W) + \{A(X)B(W) \\ & + B(X)A(W)\}g(Y, Z) - \{A(Y)B(W) + B(Y)A(W)\}g(X, Z)], \end{aligned}$$

where p, q_1, s, t are scalars, A, B are non-zero 1-forms, ρ_1 and ρ_2 are orthonormal unit vector fields corresponding to A and B which are defined as (2) and (3) and

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

In [5] A. Bhattacharyya, M. Tarafdar, and D. Debnath introduced the notion of mixed super quasi Einstein manifold. A non-flat Riemannian manifold $(M^n, g), (n \geq 3)$ is called mixed super quasi Einstein manifold if its Ricci-tensor S of type $(0, 2)$ is not identically zero and satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} S(X, Y) = & \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)A(Y) + \gamma B(X)B(Y) \\ & + \delta[A(X)B(Y) + B(X)A(Y)] + \epsilon D(X, Y), \end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \epsilon$ are scalars with $\beta \neq 0, \gamma \neq 0, \delta \neq 0, \epsilon \neq 0$ and A, B are two non-zero 1-forms such that

$$(4) \quad g(X, \rho_1) = A(X) \quad \text{and} \quad g(X, \rho_2) = B(X), \quad \forall X,$$

ρ_1, ρ_2 are mutually orthogonal unit vector fields, D is a symmetric $(0, 2)$ tensor with zero trace which satisfies the condition

$$(5) \quad D(X, \rho_1) = 0, \quad \forall X.$$

In such case $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \epsilon$ are called the associated scalars, A, B are called the associated main and auxiliary 1-forms, ρ_1, ρ_2 are called the main and the auxiliary generators and D is called the associated tensor of the manifold. Such an n -dimensional manifold shall be denoted by the symbol $MS(QE)_n$.

Again a Riemannian manifold is said to be a manifold of mixed super quasi-constant curvature [5] if the curvature tensor $\mathcal{R}$ of type $(0, 4)$ satisfies the

condition

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = & p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)] + q_1[g(X, W)A(Y)A(Z) \\ & - g(Y, W)A(X)A(Z) + g(Y, Z)A(X)A(W) - g(X, Z)A(Y)A(W)] \\ & + s[g(X, W)B(Y)B(Z) - g(Y, W)B(X)B(Z) + g(Y, Z)B(X)B(W) \\ & - g(X, Z)B(Y)B(W) + t[\{A(Y)B(Z) + B(Y)A(Z)\}g(X, W) \\ & - \{A(X)B(Z) + B(X)A(Z)\}g(Y, W) + \{A(X)B(W) \\ & + B(X)A(W)\}g(Y, Z) - \{A(Y)B(W) + B(Y)A(W)\}g(X, Z)] \\ & + m_1[g(Y, Z)D(X, W) - g(X, Z)D(Y, W) \\ & + g(X, W)D(Y, Z) - g(Y, W)D(X, Z)], \end{aligned}$$

where p, q_1, s, t, m_1 are scalars, A, B are non-zero 1-forms defined as (4) and ρ_1, ρ_2 are mutually orthogonal unit vector fields, D is a symmetric $(0, 2)$ tensor defined as (5).

The k -nullity distribution [12], [17], [22] of a Riemannian manifold M is defined by

$$N(k) : \zeta \rightarrow N_\zeta(k) = \{Z \in T_\zeta M \setminus R(X, Y)Z = k(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y)\}$$

for all $X, Y \in TM$ and smooth function k . M. M. Tripathi and J. J. Kim [22] introduced the notion of $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold which defined as follows: if the generator ρ_1 belongs to the k -nullity distribution $N(k)$, then a quasi Einstein manifold (M^n, g) is called $N(k)$ -quasi Einstein manifold.

In [17], H. G. Nagaraja introduced the concept of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi Einstein manifold and mixed quasi constant curvature. A non-flat Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is called an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi Einstein manifold if its Ricci-tensor of type $(0, 2)$ is non-zero and satisfies the condition

$$(6) \quad S(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)B(Y) + \gamma B(X)A(Y),$$

where α, β, γ are smooth functions and A, B are non-zero 1-forms such that

$$g(X, \rho_1) = A(X) \quad \text{and} \quad g(X, \rho_2) = B(X), \quad \forall X,$$

where ρ_1, ρ_2 are the orthogonal unit vector fields called generators of the manifold belonging to $N(k)$. Such a manifold is denoted by the symbol $N(k) - (MQE)_n$.

Again a Riemannian manifold (M^n, g) is called of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi constant curvature if it is conformally flat and its curvature tensor $\mathcal{R}$ of type $(0, 4)$ satisfies the condition

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}(X, Y, Z, W) = & p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)] \\ & + q_1[g(X, W)A(Y)B(Z) - g(X, Z)A(Y)B(W) \\ & + g(X, W)A(Z)B(Y) - g(X, Z)A(W)B(Y)] \\ & + s[g(Y, Z)A(W)B(X) - g(Y, W)A(Z)B(X) \\ & + g(Y, Z)A(X)B(W) - g(Y, W)A(X)B(Z)], \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where p, q_1, s , are scalars, A, B are non-zero 1-forms defined as (17) and ρ_1, ρ_2 are mutually orthogonal unit vector fields.

Let M be an m -dimensional, $m \geq 3$, Riemannian manifold and $\zeta \in M$. Denote by $K(\omega)$ or $K(u \wedge v)$ the sectional curvature of M associated with a plane section $\omega \subset T_\zeta M$, where $\{u, v\}$ is an orthonormal basis of ω . For any n -dimensional subspace $L \subseteq T_\zeta M$, $2 \leq n \leq m$, its scalar curvature $\sigma(L)$ is denoted by $\sigma(L) = 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} K(e_i \wedge e_j)$, where $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis of L . When $L = T_\zeta M$, the scalar curvature $\sigma(L)$ is just the scalar curvature $\sigma(\zeta)$ of M at ζ .

2. WARPED PRODUCT MANIFOLDS

The notion of warped product generalizes that of a surface of revolution. It was introduced in [19] for studying manifolds of negative curvature. Let (C, g_C) and (J, g_J) be two Riemannian manifolds and f is a positive, differentiable function on C . Consider the product manifold $C \times J$ with its projections $\omega : C \times J \rightarrow C$ and $\theta : C \times J \rightarrow J$. The warped product $C \times_f J$ is the manifold $C \times J$ with the Riemannian structure such that $\|X\|^2 = \|\omega^*(X)\|^2 + f^2(\omega(\zeta))\|\theta^*(X)\|^2$, for any vector field X on M . Thus

$$(8) \quad g = g_C + f^2 g_J$$

holds on M . The function f is called the warping function of the warped product [20].

Since $C \times_f J$ is a warped product, then we have $\nabla_X Z = \nabla_Z X = (X \ln f)Z$ for unit vector fields X, Z on C and J , respectively. Hence, we find $K(X \wedge Z) = g(\nabla_Z \nabla_X X - \nabla_X \nabla_Z X, Z) = \frac{1}{f} \{(\nabla_X X f - X^2 f)\}$. If we chose a local orthonormal frame $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ such that $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n_1}\}$ are tangent to C and $e_{n_1+1}, \dots, e_n\}$ are tangent to J , then we have

$$(9) \quad \frac{\Delta f}{f} = \sum_{i=1}^n K(e_i \wedge e_j)$$

for each $s = n_1 + 1, \dots, n$ [20].

We need the following two lemmas from [20], for later use:

Lemma 1. *Let $M = C \times_f J$ be a warped product with Riemannian curvature tensor R_M . Given fields X, Y, Z on C and U, V, W on J . Then*

- (i) $R_M(X, Y)Z = R_C(X, Y)Z$,
- (ii) $R_M(V, X)Y = -(H^f(X, Y)/f)V$, where H^f is the Hessian of f ,
- (iii) $R_M(X, Y)V = R_M(V, W)X = 0$,
- (iv) $R_M(X, V)W = -(g(V, W)/f)\nabla_X(\text{grad } f)$,
- (v) $R_M(V, W)U = R_J(V, W)U + (\|\text{grad } f\|^2/f^2)\{g(V, U)W - g(W, U)V\}$.

Lemma 2. *Let $M = C \times_f J$ be a warped product with Ricci-tensor S_M . Given fields X, Y on C and V, W on J . Then*

- (i) $S_M(X, Y) = S_C(X, Y) - \frac{d}{f}H^f(X, Y)$, where $d = \dim J$,

- (ii) $S_M(X, V) = 0$,
- (iii) $S_M(V, W) = S_J(V, W) - g(V, W)f^*$, $f^* = \frac{\Delta f}{f} + \frac{d-1}{f^2} \|\text{grad } f\|^2$, where Δf is the Laplacian of f on C .

Moreover, the scalar curvature σ_M of the manifold M satisfies the condition

$$\sigma_M = \sigma_C + \frac{\sigma_J}{f^2} - 2d \frac{\Delta f}{f} - d(d-1) \frac{|\nabla f|^2}{f^2},$$

where σ_C and σ_J are the scalar curvatures of C and J , respectively.

In [16], Gebarowski studied Einstein warped product manifolds and proved the following three theorems:

Theorem 1. Let (M, g) be a warped product $I \times_f J$, $\dim I = 1$, $\dim J = (n-1)$, $(n \geq 3)$. Then (M, g) is an Einstein manifold if and only if J is Einstein with constant scalar curvature σ_J in the case $n = 3$ and f is given by one of the following formulae, for any real number b ,

$$f^2(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{a} K \sinh^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}(t+b)}{2} & \text{for } a > 0, \\ K(t+b)^2 & \text{for } a = 0, \\ -\frac{4}{a} K \sin^2 \frac{\sqrt{-a}(t+b)}{2} & \text{for } a < 0 \end{cases}$$

for $K > 0$, $f^2(t) = b \exp(at)$, $(a \neq 0)$ for $K = 0$, $f^2(t) = -\frac{4}{a} K \cosh^2 \frac{\sqrt{a}(t+b)}{2}$, $(a > 0)$ for $K < 0$, where a is the constant appearing after the first integration of the equation $q''e^q + 2K = 0$ and $K = \frac{\sigma_J}{(n-1)(n-2)}$.

Theorem 2. Let (M, g) be a warped product $C \times_f J$ of a complete connected r -dimensional $(1 < r < n)$ Riemannian manifold C and $(n-r)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold J . If (M, g) is a space of constant sectional curvature $K > 0$, then C is a sphere of radius $\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}}$.

Theorem 3. Let (M, g) be a warped product $C \times_f J$ of a complete connected $(n-1)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold C and one-dimensional Riemannian manifold I . If (M, g) is an Einstein manifold with scalar curvature $\sigma_M > 0$ and the Hessian of f is proportional to the metric tensor g_C , then

- (i) (C, g_C) is an $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere of radius $\rho = \left(\frac{\sigma_C}{(n-1)(n-2)} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$.
- (ii) (M, g) is a space of constant sectional curvature $K = \frac{\sigma_M}{n(n-1)}$.

Motivated by the above study by Gebarowski and the paper by S. Sular and C. Ozgur [21], in the present paper my aim is to study the above theorems for $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifolds.

3. $N(k)$ -MIXED QUASI-EINSTEIN WARPED PRODUCTS

In this section, we consider $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein warped product manifolds and prove some results concerning these type of manifolds.

Theorem 4. *Let (M, g) be a warped product manifold $I \times_f J$, where $\dim I = 1$ and $\dim J = n-1$, ($n \geq 3$). If (M, g) is an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold with associated scalars α, β, γ , then J is also an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold.*

Proof. Suppose that $(dt)^2$ is the metric on I . Taking $f = \exp\{\frac{q}{2}\}$ and making use of Lemma 2, we can write

$$(10) \quad S_M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) = -\frac{n-1}{4} [2q'' + (q')^2]$$

and

$$(11) \quad S_M(V, W) = S_J(V, W) - \frac{1}{4} e^q [2q'' + (n-1)(q')^2] g_J(V, W),$$

for all vector fields V, W on J . Since M is $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein, from (6) we have

$$(12) \quad S_M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) = \alpha g \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) + \beta A \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) B \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) + \gamma B \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) A \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)$$

and

$$(13) \quad S_M(V, W) = \alpha g(V, W) + \beta A(V)B(W) + \gamma B(V)A(W).$$

Now let $U, U' \in \chi(M)$. Decomposing the vector fields U and U' uniquely into its components U_I, U_J , and U'_I, U'_J on I and J , respectively, we can write $U = U_I + U_J$ and $U' = U'_I + U'_J$. Since $\dim I = 1$, we can take $U_I = \xi_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ which gives us $U = \xi_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U_J$ and $U'_I = \xi_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ which yields $U' = \xi_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + U'_J$, where ξ_1 and ξ_2 are functions on M . Then we can write

$$(14) \quad A \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) = g \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, U \right) = \xi_1, B \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) = g \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, U' \right) = \xi_2.$$

On the other hand, by the use of (8) and (14), the equations (12) and (13) reduce to

$$(15) \quad S_M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) = \alpha + \beta \xi_1 \xi_2 + \gamma \xi_1 \xi_2$$

and

$$(16) \quad S_M(V, W) = \alpha e^q g_J(V, W) + \beta A(V)B(W) + \gamma B(V)A(W).$$

Comparing the right hand side of the equations (10) and (15) we get

$$\alpha + \beta \xi_1 \xi_2 + \gamma \xi_1 \xi_2 = -\frac{n-1}{4} [2q'' + (q')^2].$$

Similarly, comparing the right hand sides of (11) and (16) we obtain

$$S_J(V, W) = \frac{1}{4} e^q [2q'' + (n-1)(q')^2 + 4\alpha] g_J(V, W) + \beta A(V)B(W) + \gamma B(V)A(W),$$

which implies that J is an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold. This completes the proof of the theorem. $\square$

Theorem 5. *Let (M, g) be a warped product $C \times_f J$ of a complete connected r -dimensional ($1 < r < n$) Riemannian manifold C and an $(n-r)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold J .*

- (i) *If (M, g) is a space of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-constant sectional curvature, the Hessian of f is proportional to the metric tensor g_C and the associated vector fields E and E' are the general vector field on M or $E, E' \in \chi(C)$, then C is isometric to the sphere of radius $\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$ in the $(r+1)$ dimensional Euclidean space. For $r = 2$, C is a 2-dimensional Einstein manifold.*
- (ii) *If (M, g) is a space of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-constant sectional curvature and the associated vector fields $E, E' \in \chi(J)$, then C is an Einstein manifold.*

Proof. Assume that M is a space of $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-constant sectional curvature. Then from equation (7), we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(X, Y, Z, W) = & p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)] \\
 & + q_1[g(X, W)A(Y)B(Z) - g(X, Z)A(Y)B(W) \\
 & + g(X, W)A(Z)B(Y) - g(X, Z)A(W)B(Y)] \\
 & + s[g(Y, Z)A(W)B(X) - g(Y, W)A(Z)B(X) \\
 & + g(Y, Z)A(X)B(W) - g(Y, W)A(X)B(Z)]
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{17}$$

for all vector fields X, Y, Z, W on C .

Decomposing the vector fields E and E' uniquely into its components E_C , E_J , and E'_C , E'_J on C and J , respectively, we can write $E = E_C + E_J$ and $E' = E'_C + E'_J$. Then we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 A(X) &= g(X, E) = g(X, E_C) = g_C(X, E_C), \\
 B(X) &= g(X, E') = g(X, E'_C) = g_C(X, E'_C).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{18}$$

In view of Lemma 1 and by using (8) and (18) in equation (17) and then after a contraction over X and W (we put $X = W = e_i$), we get

$$S_C(Y, Z) = p(r-1)g_C(Y, Z) + [q_1(r-1) - s][A(Y)B(Z) + B(Y)A(Z)],$$

which shows us that C is a mixed quasi-Einstein manifold. Contracting from (19) over Y and Z , we can write

$$\sigma_C = p(r-1)r.$$

Since M is a space of constant sectional curvature, in view of (9) and (17) we get

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{pr}{2}.$$

On the other hand, since the Hessian of f is proportional to the metric tensor g_C , it can be written as follows

$$H^f(X, Y) = \frac{\Delta f}{r} g_C(X, Y).$$

Then by the use of (20) and (21) in (22) we obtain that

$$H^f(X, Y) + Kfg_C(X, Y) = 0$$

holds on C , where $K = -\frac{\sigma_C}{2r(r-1)}$.

So by Obata's theorem [18], C is isometric to the sphere of radius $\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}}$ in the $(r+1)$ -dimensional Euclidean space. When $r = 2$ then since $\beta \neq 0$ and $\gamma \neq 0$, C becomes a 2-dimensional Einstein manifold.

Assume that the associated vector fields $E, E' \in \chi(C)$. Then in view of Lemma 1 and by making use of (8) and (17) and after a contraction over X and W we obtain

$$S_C(Y, Z) = p(r-1)g_C(Y, Z) + [q_1(r-1) - s][A(Y)B(Z) + B(Y)A(Z)],$$

which gives us that C is an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold. By a contraction from the above equation over Y and Z , we get

$$\sigma_C = p(r-1)r.$$

Since M is a space of constant sectional curvature, in view of (9) and (17) (for the case of $E, E' \in \chi(C)$), we obtain

$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{pr}{2}.$$

On the other hand, since the Hessian of f is proportional to the metric tensor g_C , it can be written as follows

$$H^f(X, Y) = \frac{\Delta f}{r} g_C(X, Y).$$

Then by the use of above three equations we get

$$H^f(X, Y) + Kfg_C(X, Y) = 0, \quad \text{where} \quad K = -\frac{\sigma_C}{2r(r-1)}$$

holds on C . So by Obata's theorem [18], C is isometric to the sphere of radius $\frac{1}{\sqrt{K}}$ in the $(r+1)$ -dimensional Euclidean space. For $r = 2$ and as $\beta \neq 0$, $\gamma \neq 0$, C is a 2-dimensional Einstein manifold.

Assume that the associated vector fields $E, E' \in \chi(J)$, then equation (17) reduces to

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = p[g(Y, Z)g(X, W) - g(X, Z)g(Y, W)].$$

In view of Lemma 1 and by making use of (8), the above equation can be written as

$$R(X, Y, Z, W) = p[g_C(Y, Z)g_C(X, W) - g_C(X, Z)g_C(Y, W)].$$

Again we use a contraction of the above equation over X and W , we get

$$S_C(Y, Z) = p(r-1)g_C(Y, Z),$$

which implies that C is an Einstein manifold with scalar curvature $\sigma_C = pr(r-1)$. Hence the proof of the theorem is completed. $\square$

Theorem 6. *Let (M, g) be a warped product $C \times_f I$ of a complete connected $(n-1)$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold C and a one-dimensional Riemannian manifold I . If (M, g) is an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold with constant associated scalars α, β , and γ and the Hessian of f is proportional to the metric tensor g_C , then (C, g_C) is an $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere of radius $\frac{n-1}{\sqrt{\sigma_C + \alpha}}$.*

Proof. Assume that M is a warped product manifold. Then by using Lemma 2 we can write

$$S_C(X, Y) = S_M(X, Y) + \frac{1}{f}H^f(X, Y)$$

for any vector fields X, Y on C . On the other hand, since M is an $N(k)$ -mixed quasi-Einstein manifold we have

$$(23) \quad S_M(X, Y) = \alpha g(X, Y) + \beta A(X)B(Y) + \gamma B(X)A(Y).$$

When $U, U' \in \chi(M)$, decomposing the vector fields U and U' uniquely into its components U_I, U_J , and U'_I, U'_J on B and I , respectively, we can write

$$U = U_B + U_I \quad \text{and} \quad U' = U'_B + U'_I.$$

In view of (8) and the above three equations,

$$\begin{aligned} S_C(X, Y) &= \alpha g_C(X, Y) + \beta g_C(X, U_C)g(Y, U'_C) \\ &\quad + \gamma g_C(X, U'_C)g(Y, U_C) + \frac{1}{f}H^f(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

By contraction from the above equation over X, Y , we get

$$(24) \quad \sigma_C = \alpha(n-1) + \frac{\Delta f}{f}.$$

On the other hand, we know from equation (23) that

$$(25) \quad \sigma_M = \alpha n.$$

By using (25) in (24) we get $\sigma_C = \sigma_M - \alpha + \frac{\Delta f}{f}$.

In view of Lemma 2 we also know that

$$(26) \quad -\frac{\sigma_M}{n} = \frac{\Delta f}{f}.$$

The last two equations give us $\sigma_C = \frac{n-1}{n}\sigma_M - \alpha$. On the other hand, since the Hessian of f is proportional to the metric tensor g_C , it can be written as follows

$$H^f(X, Y) = \frac{\Delta f}{n-1}g_C(X, Y).$$

As the consequence of equation (26) we have $\frac{\Delta f}{n-1} = -\frac{1}{n(n-1)}\sigma_M f$, which implies that

$$H^f(X, Y) + \frac{\sigma_C + \alpha}{(n-1)^2}f g_C(X, Y) = 0.$$

So, by Obata's theorem C is isometric to the $(n - 1)$ -dimensional sphere of radius $\frac{n-1}{\sqrt{\sigma_C + \alpha}}$. $\square$

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