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**We study  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric 3-manifolds (a notion introduced by Koufogiorgos, Markellos and Papantoniou) that are Ricci flat, or are Einstein but not Sasakian, or satisfy  $\nabla Z = 0$ , where  $Z$  is the concircular curvature tensor, or satisfy  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ , where  $\xi$  is the Reeb field, or satisfy  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor, or finally satisfy  $R(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ , where  $R$  is the Riemannian curvature tensor.**

### 1. Introduction

A contact metric manifold  $(M, \xi)$  is Sasakian if and only if

$$(1-1) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = \eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y = R_0(X, Y)\xi,$$

where

$$(1-2) \quad R_0(X, Y)U = g(Y, U)X - g(X, U)Y, \quad X, Y, U \in \mathcal{X}(M).$$

There exist contact metric manifolds that satisfy the condition  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$ ; for example, the tangent sphere bundle of a flat Riemannian manifold admits a contact metric satisfying this condition. D. E. Blair, Th. Koufogiorgos and B. Papantoniou [Blair et al. 1995] generalized both this condition and the Sasakian case introducing the  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity distribution on a contact metric manifold

$$N(\kappa, \mu) : p \rightarrow N_p(\kappa, \mu) = \{U \in T_p M \mid R(X, Y)U = (\kappa I + \mu h)R_0(X, Y)U\}$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ , and  $(\kappa, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . A contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  with  $\xi \in N(\kappa, \mu)$  is called a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold. In particular we have

$$(1-3) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = (\kappa I + \mu h)R_0(X, Y)\xi, \quad X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M),$$

with  $\kappa \leq 1$  and if  $\kappa = 1$  the structure is Sasakian. The full classification of these manifolds was given by E. Boeckx [2000]. If  $\mu = 0$  we have the  $\kappa$ -nullity distribution and if  $\xi \in N(\kappa)$  we have a  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold. Koufogiorgos

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and Ch. Tsihlias [2000] introduced the generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds, where  $\kappa$  and  $\mu$  are real functions, and they gave several examples. Finally, the  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifolds have been introduced by Koufogiorgos, M. Markellos and V. Papantoniou [Koufogiorgos et al. 2008] where  $\kappa, \mu, \nu$  are smooth functions and the curvature tensor satisfies, for every  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ , the condition

$$(1-4) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = \kappa(\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y) + \mu(\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY) \\ + \nu(\eta(Y)\phi hX - \eta(X)\phi hY).$$

D. Perrone defined a  $H$ -contact metric manifold as a  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional contact metric manifold  $M$  whose characteristic vector field (or the Reeb vector field)  $\xi$  is a harmonic vector field. In [Perrone 2004], it was proved that  $M(\eta, \xi, \phi, g)$  is an  $H$ -contact metric manifold if and only if  $\xi$  is an eigenvector of the Ricci operator  $Q$ . The class of  $H$ -contact metric manifolds includes several classes of contact metric manifolds such as Sasakian,  $\eta$ -Einstein, or even generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds. Perrone [2003] also showed that a contact metric 3-manifold  $M$  is a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold on an everywhere dense open subset of  $M$  if and only if its Reeb vector field  $\xi$  determines a harmonic map. In turn, Koufogiorgos, Markellos and Papantoniou proved that the  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -condition on a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold is equivalent to the Reeb vector field  $\xi$  being a harmonic vector field, at least on an open dense subset of the manifold [Koufogiorgos et al. 2008]. They proved also that these manifolds exist only in the dimension 3, whereas such a manifold does not exist in dimension greater than 3; hence, we restrict ourselves to dimension 3.

On the other hand, many geometers have studied the contact manifolds of constant curvature and their generalizations like the locally symmetric spaces ( $\nabla R = 0$ ), Einstein spaces, the semisymmetric spaces ( $R(\xi, X) \cdot R = 0$ ), Ricci semisymmetric spaces ( $R(X, Y) \cdot S = 0$ ), Weyl semisymmetric spaces ( $R(X, Y) \cdot C = 0$ ), where  $R(X, Y)$  acts as a derivation respectively on  $R, S, C$  etc. For example, a contact metric manifold of constant curvature is necessarily a Sasakian manifold of constant curvature  $+1$  or is 3-dimensional and flat [Blair 2002, pages 98–99; Olszak 1979]. S. Tanno [1969] showed that a semisymmetric  $K$ -contact manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to the unit sphere  $S^{2n+1}(1)$ , and that for a  $K$ -contact manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  the following conditions are equivalent: (i)  $M$  is an Einstein manifold; (ii)  $M$  is Ricci-symmetric, that is, its Ricci tensor is parallel; (iii)  $M$  is Ricci semisymmetric, i.e., it satisfies the condition  $R(X, Y) \cdot S = 0$ ; (iv)  $M$  is  $\xi$ -Ricci semisymmetric, that is,  $R(\xi, Y) \cdot S = 0$ .

Perrone [1992] showed that if  $\xi$  belongs to the  $\kappa$ -nullity distribution and if  $R(\xi, Y) \cdot S = 0$ , then the contact metric manifold is locally isometric to  $E^{n+1} \times S^n(4)$  or is Sasaki–Einstein. M. M. Tripathi [2006] proved that a contact metric manifold

$M^{2n+1}$  such that  $\xi$  belongs to the  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity distribution and  $R(\xi, Y) \cdot S$  vanishes is either flat and 3-dimensional, or is locally isometric to  $E^{n+1} \times S^n(4)$ , or is a Sasaki–Einstein manifold. Finally, we studied in [Gouli-Andreou et al. 2012], together with Ph. J. Xenos, the  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact 3-manifolds in which certain curvature conditions are satisfied; for instance the Ricci tensor  $S$  is cyclic parallel, or  $\eta$ -parallel or  $R(\xi, Y) \cdot S = 0$ .

After the curvature tensor  $R$  and the Weyl conformal curvature tensor  $C$ , the *concircular curvature tensor*  $Z$  is the next most important (1,3)-type curvature tensor. It is defined on a Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  by Yano [1940a] (see also [Yano and Bochner 1953]) as

$$(1-5) \quad Z = R - \frac{r}{n(n-1)}R_0,$$

where  $R$  is the curvature tensor,  $R_0$  is given by (1-2) and  $r$  the scalar curvature. We remark that Riemannian manifolds with vanishing  $Z$  are of constant curvature; thus the concircular curvature tensor is a measure of the failure of a Riemannian manifold to be of constant curvature.  $Z$  is an invariant of concircular transformations, which have important geometric and algebraic applications; see [Yano 1940a; 1940b; 1940c; 1940d; 1942; Vanhecke 1977]. Hence, Blair, J. S. Kim and Tripathi [Blair et al. 2005] started a study of the concircular curvature tensor on  $M^{2n+1}$  contact metric manifolds. They classified  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifolds satisfying  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ ,  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot R = 0$  or  $R(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ . Similarly, Tripathi and Kim [2004] classified  $M^{2n+1}$   $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact manifolds with  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ .

This article is motivated by these studies, and is organized in the following way. In Section 2 we give some preliminaries on contact manifolds and the concircular curvature tensor. In Section 3 we present a brief account of  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact 3-manifolds while Section 4 contains some basic results. Finally, in Section 5 we study  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric 3-manifolds  $M$  satisfying any of these conditions:

- (i)  $M$  is Ricci flat.
- (ii)  $M$  is Einstein but not Sasakian.
- (iii)  $\nabla Z = 0$ , where  $Z$  is the concircular curvature tensor.
- (iv)  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ , where  $Z(\xi, X)$  acts as a derivation on  $Z$ .
- (v)  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , where  $Z(\xi, X)$  acts as a derivation on  $S$ .
- (vi)  $R(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ , where  $R(\xi, X)$  acts as a derivation on  $Z$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

By a *contact manifold* we mean a smooth manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , endowed with a global 1-form  $\eta$  such that  $\eta \wedge (d\eta)^n \neq 0$  everywhere. Then there is an underlying *contact*

metric structure  $(\eta, \xi, \phi, g)$  where  $g$  is a Riemannian metric (the *associated metric*),  $\phi$  a global tensor of type  $(1,1)$  and  $\xi$  a unique global vector field (the *characteristic* or *Reeb vector field*). These structure tensors satisfy the equations

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

$$(2-2) \quad d\eta(X, Y) = g(X, \phi Y) - g(\phi X, Y), \quad g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ . The associated metrics can be constructed by the polarization of  $d\eta$  on the contact subbundle defined by  $\eta = 0$ . Denoting Lie differentiation by  $\mathcal{L}$ , we define for all  $X \in \mathcal{X}(M)$  the  $(1,1)$ -tensor field

$$hX = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{L}_\xi \phi)X.$$

We give some basic equations for these tensor fields:

$$(2-3) \quad \phi\xi = h\xi = 0, \quad \eta \circ \phi = \eta \circ h = 0, \quad \nabla_\xi \phi = 0,$$

$$\text{Tr } h = \text{Tr}(h\phi) = 0, \quad h\phi = -\phi h.$$

If  $X$  is an eigenvector of  $h$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , then  $\phi X$  is also an eigenvector of  $h$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $-\lambda$  since  $h$  anticommutes with  $\phi$ :

$$(2-4) \quad hX = \lambda X \quad \Rightarrow \quad h\phi X = -\lambda\phi X,$$

$$(2-5) \quad \nabla_X \xi = -\phi X - \phi hX,$$

$$(2-6) \quad (\nabla_X \eta)(Y) = -g(\phi X + \phi hX, Y),$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection of  $g$ . We also denote by  $R$  the corresponding Riemann curvature tensor field given by  $R(X, Y) = [\nabla_X, \nabla_Y] - \nabla_{[X, Y]}$ , by  $S$  the Ricci tensor field of type  $(0, 2)$ , by  $Q$  the Ricci operator, which is the corresponding endomorphism field, by  $r$  the scalar curvature and by  $H$  the  $\phi$ -sectional curvature.

A contact metric manifold for which  $\xi$  is a Killing field is called a *K-contact* manifold. A contact metric manifold is K-contact if and only if  $h = 0$ . A contact structure on  $M^{2n+1}$  implies an almost complex structure on the product manifold  $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$ . If this structure is integrable, then the contact metric manifold is said to be *Sasakian*. A K-contact structure is Sasakian only in dimension 3, and this fails in higher dimensions. More details on contact manifolds can be found in [Blair 2002].

We restrict ourselves to the 3-dimensional case. Let  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  be a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold and  $U$  the open subset of points  $p \in M$  where  $h \neq 0$  in a neighborhood of  $p$  and  $U_0$  the open subset of points  $p \in M$  such that  $h = 0$  in a neighborhood of  $p$ . For any point  $p \in U \cup U_0$  there exists a local orthonormal basis  $\{e, \phi e, \xi\}$  of smooth eigenvectors of  $h$  in a neighborhood of  $p$ . On  $U$  we put  $he = \lambda e$ , where  $\lambda$  is a nonvanishing smooth function which is supposed positive. From (2-4) we have  $h\phi e = -\lambda\phi e$ .

**Lemma 2.1** [Gouli-Andreou and Xenos 1998]. *On  $U$  we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\xi} e &= a\phi e, & \nabla_e e &= b\phi e, & \nabla_{\phi e} e &= -c\phi e + (\lambda - 1)\xi, \\ \nabla_{\xi} \phi e &= -ae, & \nabla_e \phi e &= -be + (1 + \lambda)\xi, & \nabla_{\phi e} \phi e &= ce, \\ \nabla_{\xi} \xi &= 0, & \nabla_e \xi &= -(1 + \lambda)\phi e, & \nabla_{\phi e} \xi &= (1 - \lambda)e, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a$  is a smooth function and

$$(2-7) \quad \begin{aligned} b &= \frac{1}{2\lambda}[(\phi e \cdot \lambda) + A] \quad \text{with} \quad A = S(\xi, e), \\ c &= \frac{1}{2\lambda}[(e \cdot \lambda) + B] \quad \text{with} \quad B = S(\xi, \phi e). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.1 and the formula  $[X, Y] = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X$  yield

$$(2-8) \quad \begin{aligned} [e, \phi e] &= \nabla_e \phi e - \nabla_{\phi e} e = -be + c\phi e + 2\xi, \\ [e, \xi] &= \nabla_e \xi - \nabla_{\xi} e = -(a + \lambda + 1)\phi e, \\ [\phi e, \xi] &= \nabla_{\phi e} \xi - \nabla_{\xi} \phi e = (a - \lambda + 1)e. \end{aligned}$$

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $M^3$  be a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold and let  $h = \lambda h^+ - \lambda h^-$  be the spectral decomposition of  $h$  on  $U$ . If

$$\nabla_{h^- X} h^- X = [\xi, h^+ X]$$

for all vector fields  $X$  on  $M^3$  and all points of an open subset  $W$  of  $U$ , and if  $h = 0$  on the points of  $M^3$  which do not belong to  $W$ , then the manifold is said to be a *semi-K contact* manifold.

From Lemma 2.1 and the relations (2-8), the condition above leads to  $[\xi, e] = 0$  when  $X = e$  and to  $\nabla_{\phi e} \phi e = 0$  when  $X = \phi e$ . Hence on a semi-K contact manifold we have  $a + \lambda + 1 = c = 0$ . If we apply the deformation  $e \rightarrow \phi e, \phi e \rightarrow e, \xi \rightarrow -\xi, \lambda \rightarrow -\lambda, b \rightarrow c$  and  $c \rightarrow b$  then the contact metric structure remains the same. Hence the condition for a 3-dimensional contact metric manifold to be semi-K contact is equivalent to  $a - \lambda + 1 = b = 0$ .

**Definition 2.3** [Blair 2002, page 105; Okumura 1962]. A contact metric manifold  $M$  is said to be  $\eta$ -Einstein if the Ricci tensor  $S$  satisfies the condition  $S = \alpha g + \beta \eta \otimes \eta$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are smooth functions on  $M$ . In particular, if  $\beta = 0$ , then  $M$  becomes an *Einstein manifold*.

**Definition 2.4.** A Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is called *Ricci flat* if its Ricci tensor vanishes identically.

Since the Ricci operator  $Q$  in dimension 3 determines completely the curvature of the contact manifold, the vanishing of  $Q$  implies the vanishing of the Riemannian curvature tensor. Hence, the class of Ricci flat manifolds is a hyperclass of the flat

manifolds, or equivalently a flat manifold is certainly *Ricci flat*, while a *Ricci flat* manifold is an Einstein manifold.

**Definition 2.5.** A Riemannian manifold  $(M^m, g)$ ,  $m \geq 3$ , is called *pseudosymmetric* in the sense of R. Deszcz [1992] if at every point of  $M$  the curvature tensor  $R$  satisfies the equation  $R(X, Y) \cdot R = L\{(X \wedge Y) \cdot R\}$  where  $(X \wedge Y)Z = g(Y, Z)X - g(Z, X)Y$  for all vectors fields  $X, Y, Z$  on  $M$ , the dot means that  $R(X, Y)$  and  $X \wedge Y$  act as derivations on  $R$ , and  $L$  is a smooth function.

If  $L$  is constant, then  $M$  is a pseudosymmetric manifold of constant type while if  $L = 0$  then  $M$  is a *semisymmetric* manifold.

**Definition 2.6.** A Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is called *concircularly symmetric* if the concircular tensor  $Z$  satisfies the condition  $\nabla Z = 0$ .

All manifolds are assumed connected and all manifolds and maps are assumed smooth (class  $C^\infty$ ) unless otherwise stated. Finally, differentiation will be denoted by “( )”.

### 3. $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifolds

A  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold is defined in [Koufogiorgos et al. 2008] by (1-4) where  $\kappa, \mu, \nu$  are smooth functions on  $M$ . If  $\nu = 0$  we have a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold [Koufogiorgos and Tsihlias 2000] and if additionally  $\kappa, \mu$  are constants then the manifold is a contact metric  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -space [Blair et al. 1995; Boeckx 2000]. Moreover in [Koufogiorgos et al. 2008] and [Koufogiorgos and Tsihlias 2000] it is proved respectively that for a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$  or a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension greater than 3, the functions  $\kappa, \mu$  are constants and  $\nu$  is the zero function. We recall some lemmas and equations:

**Lemma 3.1** [Koufogiorgos et al. 2008]. *For every point  $p$  of a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  with  $\kappa(p) < 1$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $p$  and orthonormal local vector fields  $X_i, \phi X_i, \xi, i = 1, \dots, n$ , defined on  $U$  such that*

$$hX_i = \lambda X_i, \quad h\phi X_i = -\lambda\phi X_i, \quad h\xi = 0$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , where  $\lambda = \sqrt{1 - \kappa}$ .

From now on, we will call the vector fields of Lemma 3.1 a local *h-basis*.

On any  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold we have

$$(3-1) \quad h^2 = (\kappa - 1)\phi^2, \quad \kappa \leq 1,$$

$$(3-2) \quad (\xi \cdot \kappa) = 2\nu(\kappa - 1).$$

For the 3-dimensional case we have for the Ricci operator  $Q$

$$(3-3) \quad Q = \left(\frac{1}{2}r - \kappa\right)I + \left(-\frac{1}{2}r + 3\kappa\right)\eta \otimes \xi + \mu h + \nu \phi h,$$

$$(3-4) \quad Q\phi - \phi Q = 2\nu h - 2\mu \phi h,$$

$$(3-5) \quad r = 4\kappa + 2H,$$

where  $r$  is the scalar curvature and  $H$  is the  $\phi$ -sectional curvature. From now on, we suppose  $\kappa < 1$  everywhere on  $M^3$  and we use  $X, Y, U$  to denote arbitrary elements of  $\mathcal{X}(M)$ . We have

$$(3-6) \quad r = \frac{1}{\lambda} \Delta \lambda - (\xi \cdot \nu) - \frac{\|\text{grad } \lambda\|^2}{\lambda^2} + 2(\kappa - \mu),$$

where  $\Delta$  is the Laplace operator and for the gradient of a function  $f$  we have

$$(3-7) \quad g(\text{grad } f, X) = X(f) = df(X),$$

$$(3-8) \quad (\xi \cdot r) = 2(\xi \cdot \kappa), \quad (\xi \cdot H) = -(\xi \cdot \kappa).$$

For a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold, that is, for constant  $\kappa, \mu$  we have (see [Blair et al. 1995] and [Markellos 2009])

$$(3-9) \quad r = 2(\kappa - \mu),$$

$$(3-10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y)U &= \mu[g(Y, U)hX - g(X, U)hY + g(hY, U)X - g(hX, U)Y] \\ &\quad + \nu[g(Y, U)\phi hX - g(X, U)\phi hY + g(\phi hY, U)X - g(\phi hX, U)Y] \\ &\quad + (\kappa - H)[g(Y, U)\eta(X) - g(X, U)\eta(Y)]\xi \\ &\quad + (\kappa - H)[\eta(Y)\eta(U)X - \eta(X)\eta(U)Y] \\ &\quad + H[g(Y, U)X - g(X, U)Y], \end{aligned}$$

$$(3-11) \quad \begin{aligned} (\nabla_X h)Y &= -\frac{1}{2(1-\kappa)}g(hX, Y)\text{grad } \kappa - \frac{1}{2(1-\kappa)}g(hX, \phi Y)\phi(\text{grad } \kappa) \\ &\quad + [(1-\kappa)g(X, \phi Y) + g(hX, \phi Y) - \nu g(hX, Y)]\xi \\ &\quad + \eta(Y)[(\kappa - 1)\phi X + h\phi X] + \eta(X)[\mu h\phi Y + \nu hY], \end{aligned}$$

$$(3-12) \quad (\nabla_X \phi)Y = g(X + hX, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)(X + hX),$$

while  $(\nabla_X \phi h)Y = (\nabla_X \phi)hY + \phi(\nabla_X h)Y$  is calculated from (3-11) and (3-12):

$$(3-13) \quad \begin{aligned} (\nabla_X \phi h)Y &= [g(X + hX, hY) + \nu g(hX, \phi Y)]\xi \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2(1-\kappa)}g(hX, Y)\phi(\text{grad } \kappa) + \frac{1}{2(1-\kappa)}g(hX, \phi Y)\text{grad } \kappa \\ &\quad + \eta(Y)[(\kappa - 1)\phi^2 X + hX] + \eta(X)[\mu hY + \nu \phi hY]. \end{aligned}$$

From (3-3) and (3-5) we calculate the Ricci tensor  $S(X, Y) = g(QX, Y)$ :

$$(3-14) \quad S(X, Y) = (\kappa + H)g(X, Y) + (\kappa - H)\eta(X)\eta(Y) + \mu g(hX, Y) \\ + \nu g(\phi hX, Y);$$

hence,

$$(3-15) \quad S(hX, Y) = (\kappa + H)g(hX, Y) - \mu(\kappa - 1)[g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)] \\ + \nu(\kappa - 1)g(X, \phi Y),$$

$$(3-16) \quad S(\phi hX, Y) = (\kappa + H)g(\phi hX, Y) - \nu(\kappa - 1)[g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)] \\ + \mu(\kappa - 1)g(\phi X, Y).$$

#### 4. Some auxiliary results

Equation (1-5) gives for the 3-dimensional case and for all  $X, Y, U \in \mathcal{X}(M)$

$$(4-1) \quad Z(X, Y)U = R(X, Y)U - \frac{1}{6}rR_0(X, Y)U,$$

where  $R_0$  is given by (1-2) and hence

$$(4-2) \quad R_0(\xi, X)Y = g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X,$$

while (1-4) for a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold is written in the form

$$(4-3) \quad R(X, Y)\xi = (\kappa I + \mu h + \nu \phi h)R_0(X, Y)\xi,$$

which is equivalent to

$$(4-4) \quad R(\xi, X) = R_0(\xi, (\kappa I + \mu h + \nu \phi h)X).$$

From (4-3) we get

$$(4-5) \quad R(\xi, X)\xi = \kappa(\eta(X)\xi - X) - \mu hX - \nu \phi hX.$$

**Proposition 4.1.** *In a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold  $M^3$ , the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies*

$$(4-6) \quad Z(X, Y)\xi = \left( (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)I + \mu h + \nu \phi h \right) R_0(X, Y)\xi,$$

$$(4-7) \quad Z(\xi, X) = (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)R_0(\xi, X) + \mu R_0(\xi, hX) + \nu R_0(\xi, \phi hX).$$

Consequently, we have

$$(4-8) \quad Z(\xi, X)\xi = (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)(\eta(X)\xi - X) - \mu hX - \nu \phi hX,$$

$$(4-9) \quad \eta(Z(X, Y)\xi) = 0,$$

$$(4-10) \quad \eta(Z(\xi, X)Y) = (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) + \mu g(hX, Y) + \nu g(\phi hX, Y).$$

*Proof.* Equations (4-1), (4-3), (4-4) lead us to conclude equations (4-6) and (4-7). Equation (4-7) implies (4-8) while (4-6) and (4-7) imply (4-9) and (4-10) respectively by virtue of (2-3).  $\square$

**Proposition 4.2.** *In a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold  $M^3$  we have*

$$(4-11) \quad S(Z(\xi, X)Y, \xi) = 2\kappa\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)(g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y)) + 2\kappa\mu g(hX, Y) + 2\kappa\nu g(\phi hX, Y),$$

$$(4-12) \quad S(Z(\xi, X)\xi, Y) = 2\kappa\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)\eta(X)\eta(Y) - \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)S(X, Y) - \mu S(hX, Y) - \nu S(\phi hX, Y).$$

*Proof.* For a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold  $M^3$  we obtain from (3-14)

$$(4-13) \quad S(X, \xi) = 2\kappa\eta(X).$$

From (4-7), (4-10), (4-13) we get (4-11), while (4-8) and (4-13) yield (4-12).  $\square$

**Proposition 4.3.** *Let  $M^3$  be a non-Sasakian  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold.*

(i) *If  $M^3$  satisfies*

$$(4-14) \quad \nu(\kappa - H) = 0,$$

$$(4-15) \quad \mu(\kappa - H) = 0,$$

$$(4-16) \quad \frac{1}{3}(\kappa - H)^2 + (\kappa - 1)(\mu^2 + \nu^2) = 0,$$

*then the manifold is either flat or locally isometric to  $SU(2)$  or  $SL(2, R)$ , where these two Lie groups are equipped with a left invariant metric.*

(ii) *If  $M^3$  satisfies*

$$(4-17) \quad \nu H = 0,$$

$$(4-18) \quad \mu H = 0,$$

$$(4-19) \quad \kappa(\kappa - H) + (\kappa - 1)(\mu^2 + \nu^2) = 0,$$

*then the manifold is a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold with  $(\xi \cdot \mu) = 0$ .*

*Proof.* (i) Let  $M$  be a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold with  $\kappa < 1$  everywhere. We suppose that there is a point  $p \in M$  where  $\nu \neq 0$ . The continuity of this function implies that there is a neighborhood  $F_p \subseteq M$  of  $p$ , where  $\nu \neq 0$  everywhere in  $F_p$  or by virtue of (4-14),  $\kappa - H = 0$ . Differentiating this equation with respect to  $\xi$  and using (3-8) and (3-2) we conclude that  $\kappa = 1$  everywhere in  $F_p$ , which is a contradiction since  $F_p \subseteq M$ . Hence,  $\nu = 0$  everywhere in  $M$  and  $M$  is a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold.

Similarly we suppose that there is a point  $p \in M$  where  $\kappa - H \neq 0$ . There is a neighborhood  $F_p \subseteq M$  of  $p$ , where  $\kappa - H \neq 0$  everywhere in  $F_p$  or by virtue of

(4-15),  $\mu = 0$ . Setting  $\mu = \nu = 0$  in (4-16) we are led to  $\frac{1}{3}(\kappa - H)^2 = 0$  which is a contradiction in  $F_p$ . Hence  $\kappa - H = 0$  everywhere in  $M$  and from (4-16),  $\mu = 0$ . Since in a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold the constancy of one of the  $\kappa$  or  $\mu$  implies the constancy of the other [Koufogiorgos and Tsihlias 2000], we can conclude that  $\kappa$  is constant in this  $N(\kappa)$ -contact metric manifold. From (3-4) and because  $\mu = \nu = 0$  we get  $Q\phi = \phi Q$ ; by [Blair et al. 1990, Theorem 3.3] and the main theorem of [Blair and Chen 1992] such a manifold is either Sasakian, flat, locally isometric to a left invariant metric on the Lie group  $SU(2)$  with  $\kappa > 0$ , or  $SL(2, R)$  with  $\kappa < 0$ . Finally, we can remark that the equations  $\kappa - H = 0$  and (3-5) give  $r = 6\kappa$ ,  $\kappa < 1$ , and hence  $r$  is constant.

(ii) We suppose that there is a point  $p \in M$  where  $\nu \neq 0$ . Then there is a neighborhood  $F_p \subseteq M$  of  $p$ , where  $\nu \neq 0$  everywhere in  $F_p$  or by virtue of (4-17),  $H = 0$ . Differentiating this equation with respect to  $\xi$  and using (3-8) and (3-2) we conclude that  $\kappa = 1$  everywhere in  $F_p$ , which is a contradiction since  $F_p \subseteq M$ . Hence,  $\nu = 0$  everywhere in  $M$  and  $M$  is a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold.

For (4-18), we suppose that there is a point  $p \in M$  where  $H \neq 0$ . There is a neighborhood  $F_p \subseteq M$  of  $p$ , where  $H \neq 0$  everywhere in  $F_p$  or by virtue of (4-18),  $\mu = 0$ . Since  $\mu$  is constant,  $\kappa$  is also constant and hence from (3-5) and (3-9),  $H = -\kappa - \mu$  or more explicitly  $H = -\kappa$ . From (4-19) and because  $\mu = \nu = 0$  we get  $\kappa = 0$  and obviously  $H = 0$ , which is a contradiction in  $F_p$ . Hence  $H = 0$  everywhere in  $M$  and from (4-19),  $\kappa^2 + (\kappa - 1)\mu^2 = 0$ . Differentiating this equation with respect to  $\xi$  and by virtue of (3-2) and  $\nu = 0$  we conclude  $(\xi \cdot \mu) = 0$ , while (3-5) implies  $r = 4\kappa$  with  $\kappa < 1$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.4.** The generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifolds in dimension 3 with  $\kappa < 1$  (equivalently  $\lambda \neq 0$ ) and  $(\xi \cdot \mu) = 0$  have been studied by T. Koufogiorgos and C. Tsihlias [2008]. They proved in [2008, Theorem 4.1] that at any point of  $P \in M$ , precisely one of the following relations is valid:  $\mu = 2(1 + \sqrt{1 - \kappa})$ , or  $\mu = 2(1 - \sqrt{1 - \kappa})$ , while there exists a chart  $(U, (x, y, z))$  with  $P \in U \subseteq M$  such that the functions  $\kappa, \mu$  depend only on  $z$  and the tensors fields  $\eta, \xi, \phi, g$  take a suitable form. We can also add that such a manifold according to Definition 2.2 is a semi-K contact manifold.

**Theorem 4.5** [Blair 2002, page 101]. *Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a contact metric manifold satisfying the condition  $R(X, Y)\xi = 0$ . Then  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to  $E^{n+1} \times S^n(4)$  for  $n > 1$  and flat for  $n = 1$ .*

## 5. Main results

**Theorem 5.1.** *A non-Sasakian Ricci flat 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold is flat.*

*Proof.* Since the manifold  $M$  is Ricci flat, from (4-13) we have

$$0 = S(\xi, \xi) = 2\kappa,$$

or  $\kappa = 0$ . Then, (3-2) yields  $\nu = 0$ , so  $M$  is a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold with  $\kappa = 0$ . In a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold the constancy of one of  $\kappa$  or  $\mu$  implies the constancy of the other [Koufogiorgos and Tsihlias 2000], so  $\mu$  is also constant. We set  $\kappa = \nu = 0$  in (3-14) and by virtue of (3-5) and (3-9) we have

$$(5-1) \quad S(X, Y) = \mu[g(hX, Y) - g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)]$$

for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(M)$ . For any point  $p \in M$  we consider a local orthonormal  $h$ -basis as in Lemma 3.1. In the last equation we set (i)  $X = Y = e$  and (ii)  $X = Y = \phi e$  and since we have a Ricci flat manifold we get respectively

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= S(e, e) = \mu(\lambda - 1), \\ 0 &= S(\phi e, \phi e) = \mu(-\lambda - 1). \end{aligned}$$

By adding these equations we see that  $\mu = 0$ , and Theorem 4.5 completes the proof. □

**Remark 5.2.** For a Sasakian 3-manifold, from Equation (3-14) with  $\kappa = 1$  and  $h = 0$ , setting  $X = Y = \xi$  yields  $S(\xi, \xi) = 2$  and hence a Sasakian manifold cannot be Ricci flat.

**Theorem 5.3.** *A non-Sasakian Einstein 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold is flat.*

*Proof.* Since the manifold is Einstein, Equation (3-3) gives

$$(5-2) \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}r - \kappa\right)X + \left(-\frac{1}{2}r + 3\kappa\right)\eta(X)\xi + \mu hX + \nu \phi hX = aX.$$

For any point  $p \in U$  as in Lemma 3.1 we consider a local orthonormal  $h$ -basis and we set in (5-2)  $X = \xi$ ,  $X = e$  and  $X = \phi e$ . We obtain respectively

$$\begin{aligned} 2\kappa &= a, & \nu &= 0, \\ \frac{1}{2}r - \kappa + \lambda\mu &= a, & \frac{1}{2}r - \kappa - \lambda\mu &= a. \end{aligned}$$

We have a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold with  $\kappa < 1$  or equivalently  $\lambda \neq 0$ . From the two last equations we get  $\mu = 0$  and hence  $\kappa$  is constant [Koufogiorgos and Tsihlias 2000]. In a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold  $r = 2(\kappa - \mu)$ . By substituting  $r$  in the last equation we obtain  $a = 0$  or equivalently  $\kappa = 0$ , and Theorem 4.5 completes the proof. □

**Remark 5.4.** According to [Yano and Kon 1984, Proposition 3.3, page 38], a 3-dimensional Einstein manifold  $M$  is a space of constant curvature. Hence, a Sasaki–Einstein 3-manifold, since it has constant curvature, must have curvature 1.

**Theorem 5.5.** *If  $M$  is a 3-dimensional concircularly symmetric  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold, then  $M$  is either flat or locally isometric to the sphere  $S^3(1)$ .*

*Proof.* We consider the open subsets of  $M$ :

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= \{p \in M : \kappa = 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\}, \\ U_2 &= \{p \in M : \kappa \neq 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $U_1 \cup U_2$  is an open and dense subset of  $M$ .

In the case where  $M = U_1$  the manifold is a Sasakian concircularly symmetric manifold.

Next, we assume that  $U_2$  is not empty. Differentiating (4-1) and using (1-2), (2-1), (2-2), (2-5), (2-6), (3-7), (3-10), (3-11), (3-13), with  $\kappa < 1$  everywhere, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_W Z)(X, Y)U &= [(W \cdot H) - \frac{1}{6}(W \cdot r)][g(Y, U)X - g(X, U)Y] \\ &+ [(W \cdot \kappa) - (W \cdot H)][g(Y, U)\eta(X) - g(X, U)\eta(Y)]\xi \\ &+ [(W \cdot \kappa) - (W \cdot H)][\eta(Y)\eta(U)X - \eta(X)\eta(U)Y] \\ &+ (W \cdot \mu)[g(Y, U)hX - g(X, U)hY + g(hY, U)X - g(hX, U)Y] \\ &+ (W \cdot \nu)[g(Y, U)\phi hX - g(X, U)\phi hY + g(\phi hY, U)X - g(\phi hX, U)Y] \\ &+ (\kappa - H)\{[g(Y, U)g(W + hW, \phi X) - g(X, U)g(W + hW, \phi Y)]\xi \\ &\quad + [\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y]g(W + hW, \phi U) \\ &\quad + [g(W + hW, \phi Y)X - g(W + hW, \phi X)Y]\eta(U) \\ &\quad - [g(Y, U)\eta(X) - g(X, U)\eta(Y)](\phi W + \phi hW)\} \\ &+ \mu \left\{ \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)}g(hW, X)\text{grad } \kappa + \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)}g(hW, \phi X)\phi(\text{grad } \kappa) \right. \\ &\quad + [(1 - \kappa)g(W, \phi X) + g(hW, \phi X) - \nu g(hW, X)]\xi \\ &\quad \left. + \eta(X)[(\kappa - 1)\phi W + h\phi W] + \eta(W)(\mu h\phi X + \nu hX) \right\} g(Y, U) \\ &- \left\{ \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)}g(hW, Y)\text{grad } \kappa + \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)}g(hW, \phi Y)\phi(\text{grad } \kappa) \right. \\ &\quad + [(1 - \kappa)g(W, \phi Y) + g(hW, \phi Y) - \nu g(hW, Y)]\xi \\ &\quad \left. + \eta(Y)[(\kappa - 1)\phi W + h\phi W] + \eta(W)(\mu h\phi Y + \nu hY) \right\} g(X, U) \\ &+ \left\{ \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)}g(hW, Y)(U \cdot \kappa) - \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)}g(hW, \phi Y)(\phi U \cdot \kappa) \right. \\ &\quad + [(1 - \kappa)g(W, \phi Y) + g(hW, \phi Y) - \nu g(hW, Y)]\eta(U) \\ &\quad \left. + \eta(Y)g((\kappa - 1)\phi W + h\phi W, U) + \eta(W)g(\mu h\phi Y + \nu hY, U) \right\} X \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \left\{ \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, X)(U \cdot \kappa) - \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, \phi X)(\phi U \cdot \kappa) \right. \\
& \quad + [(1-\kappa)g(W, \phi X) + g(hW, \phi X) - \nu g(hW, X)]\eta(U) \\
& \quad \left. + \eta(X)g((\kappa-1)\phi W + h\phi W, U) + \eta(W)g(\mu h\phi X + \nu hX, U) \right\} Y \Big] \\
& + \nu \left[ \left\{ \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, X)\phi(\text{grad } \kappa) - \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, \phi X)\text{grad } \kappa \right. \right. \\
& \quad + [g(W + hW, hX) + \nu g(hW, \phi X)]\xi \\
& \quad \left. + \eta(X)[(\kappa-1)\phi^2 W + hW] + \eta(W)[\mu hX + \nu \phi hX] \right\} g(Y, U) \\
& - \left\{ \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, Y)\phi(\text{grad } \kappa) - \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, \phi Y)\text{grad } \kappa \right. \\
& \quad + [g(W + hW, hY) + \nu g(hW, \phi Y)]\xi \\
& \quad \left. + \eta(Y)[(\kappa-1)\phi^2 W + hW] + \eta(W)[\mu hY + \nu \phi hY] \right\} g(X, U) \\
& + \left\{ \frac{-1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, Y)(\phi U \cdot \kappa) - \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, \phi Y)(U \cdot \kappa) \right. \\
& \quad + [g(W + hW, hY) + \nu g(hW, \phi Y)]\eta(U) \\
& \quad \left. + \eta(Y)g((\kappa-1)\phi^2 W + hW, U) + \eta(W)g(\mu hY + \nu \phi hY, U) \right\} X \\
& - \left\{ \frac{-1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, X)(\phi U \cdot \kappa) - \frac{1}{2(\kappa-1)} g(hW, \phi X)(U \cdot \kappa) \right. \\
& \quad + [g(W + hW, hX) + \nu g(hW, \phi X)]\eta(U) \\
& \quad \left. + \eta(X)g((\kappa-1)\phi^2 W + hW, U) + \eta(W)g(\mu hX + \nu \phi hX, U) \right\} Y \Big].
\end{aligned}$$

In this equation, we set  $W = \xi$  and by virtue of (2-1), (2-3), (3-8) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(5-3) \quad (\nabla_{\xi} Z)(X, Y)U &= 2(\xi \cdot \kappa)[g(Y, U)\eta(X) - g(X, U)\eta(Y)]\xi \\
& - \frac{4}{3}(\xi \cdot \kappa)[g(Y, U)X - g(X, U)Y] \\
& + (\xi \cdot \mu)[g(Y, U)hX - g(X, U)hY + g(hY, U)X - g(hX, U)Y] \\
& + (\xi \cdot \nu)[g(Y, U)\phi hX - g(X, U)\phi hY + g(\phi hY, U)X - g(\phi hX, U)Y] \\
& + \mu \{ g(Y, U)(\mu h\phi X + \nu hX) - g(X, U)(\mu h\phi Y + \nu hY) \\
& \quad + g(\mu h\phi Y + \nu hY, U)X - g(\mu h\phi X + \nu hX, U)Y \} \\
& + \nu \{ g(Y, U)(\mu hX + \nu \phi hX) - g(X, U)(\mu hY + \nu \phi hY) \\
& \quad + g(\mu hY + \nu \phi hY, U)X - g(\mu hX + \nu \phi hX, U)Y \}.
\end{aligned}$$

For any point  $p \in U_2$  we consider a local orthonormal  $h$ -basis as in Lemma 3.1. We set in (5-3):  $X = U = e$ ,  $Y = \phi e$  which yields

$$(\nabla_{\xi} Z)(e, \phi e)e = \frac{4}{3}(\xi \cdot \kappa)\phi e.$$

Since the manifold is concircularly symmetric we conclude that

$$(\xi \cdot \kappa) = 0,$$

or equivalently, by virtue of (3-2),  $\nu = 0$ . We set in (5-3):  $X = e$ ,  $Y = U = \xi$  and  $\nu = 0$ , and get

$$(\nabla_{\xi} Z)(e, \xi)\xi = \lambda[(\xi \cdot \mu)e - \mu^2\phi e].$$

The manifold is concircularly symmetric and hence  $\mu = 0$ . The constancy of  $\mu$  implies the constancy of  $\kappa$  [Koufogiorgos and Tsihlias 2000] and finally [Blair et al. 2005, Theorem 5.2] completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.6.** *Let  $M$  a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold. If the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies the condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ , then  $M$  is either Sasakian ( $\kappa = 1$ ), flat or locally isometric to either  $SU(2)$  or  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ , where these two Lie groups are equipped with a left invariant metric and they have constant scalar curvature  $r = 6\kappa$  ( $\kappa < 1$ ).*

*Proof.* We consider the open subsets of  $M$ :

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= \{p \in M : \kappa = 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\}, \\ U_2 &= \{p \in M : \kappa \neq 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $U_1 \cup U_2$  is open and dense subset of  $M$ .

In the case where  $M = U_1$  the manifold is Sasakian and then according to [Blair et al. 2005, Theorem 4.1], it has constant curvature 1.

Next, we assume that  $U_2$  is not empty. Note that the condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$  implies  $(Z(\xi, U) \cdot Z)(X, Y)\xi = 0$  or more explicitly

$$Z(\xi, U)Z(X, Y)\xi - Z(Z(\xi, U)X, Y)\xi - Z(X, Z(\xi, U)Y)\xi - Z(X, Y)Z(\xi, U)\xi = 0$$

which by virtue of (1-1), (1-4), (2-3), (4-1), (4-6), (4-7), (4-8), (4-9), (4-10) yields

$$\begin{aligned} (5-4) \quad 0 &= \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)[\eta(Y)g(hU, X) - \eta(X)g(hU, Y)]\xi \\ &\quad + \mu^2[\eta(Y)g(hU, hX) - \eta(X)g(hU, hY)]\xi \\ &\quad + \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)[\eta(Y)g(\phi hU, X) - \eta(X)g(\phi hU, Y)]\xi \\ &\quad + \nu^2[\eta(Y)g(\phi hU, \phi hX) - \eta(X)g(\phi hU, \phi hY)]\xi \\ &\quad + \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)^2 g(U, X)Y + \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(hU, X)Y + \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(\phi hU, X)Y \\ &\quad + \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(U, X)hY + \mu^2 g(hU, X)hY + \mu\nu g(\phi hU, X)hY \\ &\quad + \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(U, X)\phi hY + \mu\nu g(hU, X)\phi hY + \nu^2 g(\phi hU, X)\phi hY \\ &\quad - \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)^2 g(U, Y)X - \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(hU, Y)X - \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(\phi hU, Y)X \\ &\quad - \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(U, Y)hX - \mu^2 g(hU, Y)hX - \mu\nu g(\phi hU, Y)hX \\ &\quad - \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(U, Y)\phi hX - \mu\nu g(hU, Y)\phi hX - \nu^2 g(\phi hU, Y)\phi hX \\ &\quad + \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)Z(X, Y)U + \mu Z(X, Y)hU + \nu Z(X, Y)\phi hU. \end{aligned}$$

For any point  $p \in U_2$  we consider a local orthonormal  $h$ -basis as in Lemma 3.1. In (5-4) we set  $X = U = e$ ,  $Y = \phi e$ , and by virtue of (2-3), (2-4) we obtain

$$(5-5) \quad [(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)^2 - \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2)]\phi e + (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)Z(e, \phi e)e + \mu Z(e, \phi e)he + \nu Z(e, \phi e)\phi he = 0.$$

Equation (4-1) by virtue of (1-2), (2-4) and (3-10) yields

$$(5-6) \quad \begin{aligned} Z(e, \phi e)e &= (-H + \frac{1}{6}r)\phi e, \\ Z(e, \phi e)he &= \lambda(-H + \frac{1}{6}r)\phi e, \\ Z(e, \phi e)\phi he &= \lambda(H - \frac{1}{6}r)e. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (5-6) in (5-5) we obtain

$$\nu\lambda(H - \frac{1}{6}r)e + [(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)(\kappa - H) - \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2) - \lambda\mu(H - \frac{1}{6}r)]\phi e = 0,$$

and hence

$$(5-7) \quad \nu\lambda(H - \frac{1}{6}r) = 0,$$

$$(5-8) \quad (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)(\kappa - H) - \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2) - \lambda\mu(H - \frac{1}{6}r) = 0.$$

In (5-4) we set  $X = e$ ,  $Y = U = \phi e$ , and by virtue of (2-3), (2-4) we obtain

$$(5-9) \quad [-(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)^2 + \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2)]e + (\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)Z(e, \phi e)\phi e + \mu Z(e, \phi e)h\phi e + \nu Z(e, \phi e)\phi h\phi e = 0.$$

Equation (4-1) by virtue of (1-2), (2-4) and (3-10) yields

$$(5-10) \quad \begin{aligned} Z(e, \phi e)\phi e &= (H - \frac{1}{6}r)e, \\ Z(e, \phi e)h\phi e &= \lambda(-H + \frac{1}{6}r)e, \\ Z(e, \phi e)\phi h\phi e &= \lambda(-H + \frac{1}{6}r)e. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting the equations (5-10) in (5-9) we obtain

$$[-(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)(\kappa - H) + \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2) - \lambda\mu(H - \frac{1}{6}r)]e - \nu\lambda(H - \frac{1}{6}r)\phi e = 0,$$

and hence, in addition to (5-7), we get

$$(5-11) \quad -(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r)(\kappa - H) + \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2) - \lambda\mu(H - \frac{1}{6}r) = 0.$$

Since we work in  $U_2$  where  $\kappa \neq 1$  (more precisely  $\kappa < 1$ ) or equivalently  $\lambda \neq 0$ , the equations (5-7), (5-8) and (5-11) by virtue of (3-5) yield the equations (4-14), (4-15) and (4-16). Finally Proposition 4.3 completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.7.** *Let  $M$  be a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold. If the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies the condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ , then  $M$  is a pseudosymmetric manifold, in the sense of Deszcz, of constant type.*

*Proof.* From [Blair et al. 1990, Proposition 3.2] this manifold is an  $\eta$ -Einstein and then [Cho and Inoguchi 2005, Proposition 1.2] completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.8.** *Let  $M$  be a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold. If the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies the condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , then  $M$  is either Sasakian ( $\kappa = 1$ ), flat or locally isometric to either  $SU(2)$  or  $SL(2, R)$ , where these two Lie groups are equipped with a left invariant metric and they have constant scalar curvature  $r = 6\kappa$  ( $\kappa < 1$ ).*

*Proof.* We consider the open subsets of  $M$ :

$$U_1 = \{p \in M : \kappa = 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\},$$

$$U_2 = \{p \in M : \kappa \neq 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\},$$

where  $U_1 \cup U_2$  is an open and dense subset of  $M$ .

In the case where  $M = U_1$ , the manifold is Sasakian and according to [Tripathi and Kim 2004, Theorem 1.4], it has constant curvature 1.

Next, we assume that  $U_2$  is not empty; we work in  $U_2$  where  $\kappa < 1$  everywhere. The condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  or equivalently

$$0 = (Z(\xi, X) \cdot S)(Y, W) = Z(\xi, X) \cdot S(Y, W) - S(Z(\xi, X)Y, W) - S(Y, Z(\xi, X)W)$$

implies

$$(5-12) \quad S(Z(\xi, X)Y, W) + S(Y, Z(\xi, X)W) = 0$$

which in view of (4-11) and (4-12) yields

$$(5-13) \quad \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)[S(X, Y) - 2\kappa g(X, Y)] + \mu[S(hX, Y) - 2\kappa g(hX, Y)] \\ + \nu[S(\phi hX, Y) - 2\kappa g(\phi hX, Y)] = 0.$$

For any point  $p \in U_2$  we consider an  $h$ -basis. In (5-13) setting (i)  $X = Y = e$ , (ii)  $X = Y = \phi e$  and (iii)  $X = e$  and  $Y = \phi e$ , and by virtue of (3-14), (3-15) and (3-16), we obtain respectively

$$(5-14) \quad \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)(H - \kappa + \lambda\mu) + \mu(\lambda H - \lambda\kappa - \mu\kappa + \mu) - \nu^2(\kappa - 1) = 0,$$

$$(5-15) \quad \left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)(H - \kappa - \lambda\mu) + \mu(-\lambda H + \lambda\kappa - \mu\kappa + \mu) - \nu^2(\kappa - 1) = 0,$$

and (4-14). By virtue of (3-5) and by subtracting (5-15) from (5-14) we obtain (4-15), while by adding equations (5-14) and (5-15) we get (4-16). Proposition 4.3 completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 5.9.** *Let  $M$  be a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold. If the concircular curvature tensor  $Z$  satisfies the condition  $Z(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , then  $M$  is a pseudosymmetric manifold, in the sense of Deszcz, of constant type.*

*Proof.* From [Blair et al. 1990, Proposition 3.2] this manifold is an  $\eta$ -Einstein and then [Cho and Inoguchi 2005, Proposition 1.2] completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 5.10.** *Let  $M^3(\eta, \xi, \phi, g)$  be a 3-dimensional  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -contact metric manifold satisfying the condition  $R(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$ . Then, there are at most two open subsets of  $M^3$  for which their union is an open and dense subset of  $M^3$ , and each of them as an open submanifold of  $M^3$  is either (a) a Sasakian manifold or (b) a semi-K generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold with  $(\xi \cdot \mu) = 0$  and  $r = 4\kappa$ .*

*Proof.* We consider the open subsets of  $M$ :

$$U_1 = \{p \in M : \kappa = 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\},$$

$$U_2 = \{p \in M : \kappa \neq 1 \text{ in a neighborhood of } p\},$$

where  $U_1 \cup U_2$  is open and dense in  $M$ .

In the case where  $M = U_1$ , the manifold is Sasakian and according to [Blair et al. 2005, Theorem 4.3], it has constant curvature 1.

Next, we assume that  $U_2$  is not empty. Firstly, we remark that the condition  $R(\xi, X) \cdot Z = 0$  implies  $(R(\xi, U) \cdot Z)(X, Y)\xi = 0$  or more explicitly

$$R(\xi, U)Z(X, Y)\xi - Z(R(\xi, U)X, Y)\xi - Z(X, R(\xi, U)Y)\xi - Z(X, Y)R(\xi, U)\xi = 0$$

which by virtue of (1-1), (1-4), (2-3), (3-10), (4-1), (4-9) yields

$$(5-16) \quad 0 = \mu\kappa[\eta(Y)g(U, hX) - \eta(X)g(U, hY)]\xi$$

$$+ \nu\kappa[\eta(Y)g(U, \phi hX) - \eta(X)g(U, \phi hY)]\xi$$

$$+ \mu^2[\eta(Y)g(hU, hX) - \eta(X)g(hU, hY)]\xi$$

$$+ \nu^2[\eta(Y)g(\phi hU, \phi hX) - \eta(X)g(\phi hU, \phi hY)]\xi$$

$$+ \kappa\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(U, X)Y + \kappa\mu g(U, X)hY + \kappa\nu g(U, X)\phi hY$$

$$- \kappa\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(U, Y)X - \kappa\mu g(U, Y)hX - \kappa\nu g(U, Y)\phi hX$$

$$+ \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(hU, X)Y + \mu^2 g(hU, X)hY + \mu\nu g(hU, X)\phi hY$$

$$- \mu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(hU, Y)X - \mu^2 g(hU, Y)hX - \mu\nu g(hU, Y)\phi hX$$

$$+ \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(\phi hU, X)Y + \mu\nu g(\phi hU, X)hY + \nu^2 g(\phi hU, X)\phi hY$$

$$- \nu\left(\kappa - \frac{1}{6}r\right)g(\phi hU, Y)X - \mu\nu g(\phi hU, Y)hX - \nu^2 g(\phi hU, Y)\phi hX$$

$$+ \kappa Z(X, Y)U + \mu Z(X, Y)hU + \nu Z(X, Y)\phi hU.$$

For any point  $p \in U_2$  we consider a local orthonormal  $h$ -basis as in Lemma 3.1. In (5-16) we set  $X = U = e$ ,  $Y = \phi e$  and by virtue of (2-3), (2-4) we obtain

$$\frac{1}{6}r\nu\lambda e + \left[\kappa^2 - \frac{1}{6}r\kappa - \lambda^2(\mu^2 + \nu^2) - \frac{1}{6}r\lambda\mu\right]\phi e + \kappa Z(e, \phi e)e$$

$$+ \mu Z(e, \phi e)he + \nu Z(e, \phi e)\phi he = 0,$$

which by (5-6) gives

$$v\lambda He + [\kappa(\kappa - H) - \lambda^2(\mu^2 + v^2) - \lambda\mu H]\phi e = 0,$$

and hence

$$(5-17) \quad v\lambda H = 0,$$

$$(5-18) \quad \kappa(\kappa - H) - \lambda^2(\mu^2 + v^2) - \lambda\mu H = 0.$$

In (5-16) we set  $X = e$ ,  $Y = U = \phi e$ , and by virtue of (2-3), (2-4) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [-\kappa^2 + \frac{1}{6}r\kappa + \lambda^2(\mu^2 + v^2) - \frac{1}{6}r\lambda\mu]e - \frac{1}{6}r\lambda v\phi e + \kappa Z(e, \phi e)\phi e \\ + \mu Z(e, \phi e)h\phi e + vZ(e, \phi e)\phi h\phi e = 0 \end{aligned}$$

which by virtue of (5-10) yields

$$[-\kappa(\kappa - H) + \lambda^2(\mu^2 + v^2) - \lambda\mu H]e - v\lambda H\phi e = 0,$$

and hence, in addition from (5-17), we get

$$(5-19) \quad -\kappa(\kappa - H) + \lambda^2(\mu^2 + v^2) - \lambda\mu H = 0.$$

Since we work in  $U_2$  where  $\kappa < 1$  or equivalently  $\lambda \neq 0$ , the equations (5-17), (5-18) and (5-19) yield the equations (4-17), (4-18) and (4-19) and hence Proposition 4.3 completes the proof. Our open submanifold  $U_2$  is a generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric 3-manifold with  $(\xi \cdot \mu) = 0$  and according to Remark 4.4 this submanifold is a semi-K contact manifold.

We have proved:

- (a) If  $M = U_1$  then  $M$  is Sasakian with  $\kappa = 1$ .
- (b) If  $M = U_2$  then  $M$  is a semi-K generalized  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -contact metric manifold with  $\kappa < 1$ ,  $(\xi \cdot \mu) = 0$  and  $r = 4\kappa$ .
- (c) If  $U_1 \neq \emptyset$  and  $U_2 \neq \emptyset$ , the union  $U_1 \cup U_2$  is open and dense in  $M$ ; also,  $\kappa = 1$  in  $U_1$  and  $\kappa < 1$  in  $U_2$ . The function  $\kappa$  is continuous in  $U_1$  and in  $U_2$ .  $\square$

**Remark 5.11.** According to Proposition 4.3 and [Blair 2002, Theorem 7.5, p. 101].  $U_2$  becomes flat when  $\mu = 0$  since Equation (4-19) yields  $\kappa = 0$ .

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
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