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# Warped Product Skew CR-Submanifolds of Kenmotsu Manifolds and their Applications

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce the notion of warped product skew CR-submanifolds in Kenmotsu manifolds. We obtain several results on such submanifolds. A characterization for skew CR-submanifolds is obtained. Furthermore, we establish an inequality for the squared norm of the second fundamental form of a warped product skew CR-submanifold  $M_1 \times_f M_{\perp}$  of order 1 in a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  in terms of the warping function such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ , where  $M_T$ ,  $M_{\perp}$  and  $M_\theta$  are invariant, anti-invariant and proper slant submanifolds of  $\tilde{M}$ , respectively. Finally, some applications of our results are given.

#### 1. Introduction

The notion of CR-submanifolds was introduced by Bejancu [6] as a generalization of the complex and totally real submanifolds of almost Hermitian manifolds. A more general family of submanifolds are slant submanifolds introduced and defined by B.-Y. Chen [13, 14] in 1990. A generalization of slant submanifolds was given by Papaghiuc [34] by defining semi-slant submanifolds of almost Hermitian manifolds, for which the slant and CR-submanifolds are particular cases. Later on, J.L. Cabrerizo et al. [10, 11] studied slant and semi-slant submanifolds.

On the other hand, A. Carriazo defined hemi-slant submanifolds under the name of anti-slant submanifolds [12] and showed that CR-submanifols and slant submanifolds are hemi-slant submanifolds. In [37], B. Sahin studied these submanifolds under the name of hemi-slant submanifolds for their warped products.

In [35], Ronsse introduced skew CR-submanifolds of Kaehler manifolds as a generalization of slant submanifolds and CR-submanifolds. It is important to observe that semi-slant submanifolds [34] and hemi-slant submanifolds [37] are particular cases of skew CR-submanifols.

In the beginning of this century, B.-Y. Chen introduced the notion of warped product CR-submanifolds [15, 16]. On the basis of Chen's idea on warped product submanifolds many articles have been appeared (for instance see [4, 5], [9], [17], [29], [32], [31] [36]) and references therein. For a detailed survey on warped product manifolds and warped product submanifolds we referee to Chen's books [18, 20] and his survey article [19].

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Recently, Sahin [38] introduced the notion of skew CR-warped products of Kaehler manifolds which are the generalizations of CR-warped products which are introduced by B.-Y. Chen [15] and warped product hemi-slant submanifolds studied in [37].

As Kenmotsu manifolds are themselves warped product manifolds, it is interesting to study warped product submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds. There are many papers on warped product submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds (see [3], [4, 5], [2, 33]).

Motivated by the above studies, in this paper we introduce and study warped product skew CRsubmanfolds of Kenmotsu manifolds. It is shown that the skew CR-warped products are the generalizations of CR-warped products studied in [3, 27] and warped product pseudo-slant submanifolds studied in [2] of Kenmotsu manifolds. The construction of warped product skew CR-submanifolds can be considered as a special case of multiply warped product submanifolds studied in [25].

The paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we give some preliminaries (formulas and definitions) for submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds. Section 3 is devoted to the study of skew CR-submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds. Some basic lemmas are given which are useful in the next sections. In Section 4, we study warped product skew CR-submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds. We start with a non-trivial example of warped product skew CR-submanifolds and then we derive some useful lemmas. In Section 5, necessary and sufficient conditions for a skew CR-submanifold to be locally a warped product submanifold are obtained. In Section 6, we establish a sharp relationship for the squared norm of the second fundamental form  $||h||^2$  in terms of the warping function f of a warped product skew CR-submanifold M of order 1 in Kenmotsu manifolds. The equality case is also considered. In Section 7, some applications of our results are given.

### 2. Preliminaries

A (2n + 1)-dimensional Riemannian manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be an almost contact metric manifold [8] if it admits a (1, 1) tensor field  $\varphi$ , a vector field  $\xi$ , an 1-form  $\eta$  and a Riemannian metric g, which satisfy the following relations

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

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

for any vector fields X, Y on  $\tilde{M}$ . In addition, if

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \varphi)Y = g(\varphi X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\varphi X, \ \bar{\nabla}_X \xi = X - \eta(X)\xi$$
(3)

where  $\tilde{\nabla}$  is the Reimannian connection with respect to *g*, then  $(\tilde{M}, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is called a Kenmotsu manifold [28]. The covariant derivative of  $\varphi$  is defined as

$$(\tilde{\nabla}_X \varphi) Y = \tilde{\nabla}_X \varphi Y - \varphi \tilde{\nabla}_X Y \tag{4}$$

for any vector fields X, Y on  $\tilde{M}$ .

Let *M* be a submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold  $\tilde{M}$  with induced metric *g* and if  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^{\perp}$  are the induced connections on the tangent and normal bundles *TM* and  $T^{\perp}M$  of *M*, respectively, then the Gauss and Weingarten formulas are respectively given by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + h(X, Y), \quad \tilde{\nabla}_X V = -A_V X + \nabla_X^{\perp} V, \tag{5}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$  and  $N \in \Gamma(T^{\perp}M)$ , where *h* is the second fundamental form of *M* and  $A_N$  is the Weingarten endomorphism associated with *N*. The second fundamental form *h* and the shape operator *A* are related by

$$g(h(X,Y),N) = g(A_N X,Y).$$
(6)

For any  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ , we write

$$\varphi X = TX + FX,\tag{7}$$

where *TX* is the tangential component of  $\varphi X$  and *FX* is the normal component of  $\varphi X$ . Similarly, for any vector field *N* normal to *M*, we put

$$\varphi N = BN + CN,\tag{8}$$

where *BN* and *CN* are the tangential and normal components of  $\varphi N$ , respectively.

The invariant and anti-invariant submanifolds are defined depending on the behaviour the tangent spaces under the action of the almost contact structure  $\varphi$ . A submanifold M tangent to the structure vector field  $\xi$  is said to be *invariant* (resp. *anti-invariant*) if  $\varphi(T_pM) \subseteq T_pM$ ,  $\forall p \in M$  (resp.  $\varphi(T_pM) \subseteq T_p^{\perp}M$ ,  $\forall p \in M$ ).

We denote by *H*, the mean curvature vector defined as  $H(p) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} h(e_i, e_i)$ , where  $\{e_1, \dots, e_m\}$  is an orthonormal basis of the tangent space  $T_pM$ , for any  $p \in M$ .

Also, we set

$$||h||^{2} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{m} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}), h(e_{i}, e_{j})) \text{ and } h_{ij}^{r} = g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}), e_{r}),$$
(9)

for  $i, j = 1, \dots, m$  and  $r = m + 1, \dots, 2n + 1$ , where  $\{e_{m+1}, \dots, e_{2n+1}\}$  is an orthonormal basis of the normal space  $T_p^{\perp}M$ .

For a differentiable function *f* on an *m*-dimensional manifold *M*, the gradient  $\vec{\nabla} f$  of *f* is defined as

$$g(\vec{\nabla}f, X) = X(f)$$

for any *X* tangent to *M*. As a consequence, we have

$$\|\vec{\nabla}f\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(e_i(f)\right)^2 \tag{10}$$

for an orthonormal frame  $\{e_1, \cdots, e_m\}$  on *M*.

A submanifold M of a Riemannian manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be *totally umbilical* if h(X, Y) = g(X, Y)H and *totally geodesic* if h(X, Y) = 0, for all  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Also, M is minimal in  $\tilde{M}$ , if H = 0.

There are some other classes of submanifolds of almost contact Riemannian manifolds which are defined as follows:

A submanifold *M* tangent to the structure vector field  $\xi$  is said to be a *contact CR-submanifold* if there exists a pair of orthogonal distributions  $\mathcal{D} : p \to \mathcal{D}_p$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} : p \to \mathcal{D}_p^{\perp}$ ,  $\forall p \in M$ , such that

- (i)  $TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ , where  $\langle \xi \rangle$  is the 1-dimensional distribution spanned by  $\xi$ .
- (ii)  $\mathcal{D}$  is invariant by  $\varphi$ , i.e.,  $\varphi \mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}$ .
- (iii)  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is anti-invariant by  $\varphi$ , i.e.,  $\varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \subseteq TM^{\perp}$ .

Invariant and anti-invariant submanifolds are special cases of a contact CR-submanifolds. If we denote the dimensions of the distribution  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  by  $d_1$  and  $d_2$ , respectively, then M is invariant (resp. anti-invariant) if  $d_2 = 0$  (resp.  $d_1 = 0$ ).

A submanifold *M* is called slant [11] if for each  $X \in T_pM$  linearly independent on  $\xi_p$ , the angle  $\theta(X)$  between  $\varphi X$  and  $T_pM$  is a constant, i.e, it does not depend on the choice of  $p \in M$  and  $X \in T_pM - \langle \xi_p \rangle$ .

On a slant submanifold, if  $\theta = 0$ , then *M* is invariant and if  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  then *M* is an anti-invariant submanifold. A slant submanifold is said to be *proper slant* if it is neither invariant nor anti-invariant.

A submanifold *M* is called semi-slant [10] if it is endowed with two orthogonal distributions  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  such that  $\mathcal{D}$  is invariant with respect to  $\varphi$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  is a proper slant distribution.

A submanifold *M* is called *pseudo-slant submanifold* if there exists a pair of orthogonal distributions  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  such that

 $TM = \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ 

where  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is an anti-invariant distribution and its orthogonal complementary distribution  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  is proper slant.

From the definition of a pseudo-slant submanifold, if we consider the dimensions dim  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = d_1$ , and dim  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} = d_2$ , then it is clear that contact CR-submanifolds and slant submanifolds are particular classes of pseudo-slant submanifolds with  $\theta = 0$  and  $d_1 = 0$ , respectively. Also, an invariant (resp. anti-invariant) submanifold is a pseudo-slant submanifold with  $\theta = 0$  and  $d_1 = 0$  (resp.  $d_2 = 0$ ).

The normal bundle  $T^{\perp}M$  of a pseudo-slant submanifold M is decomposed as

 $T^{\perp}M = \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus F \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus v$ 

where *v* is a  $\varphi$ -invariant normal subbundle in the normal bundle  $T^{\perp}M$ .

A useful characterization of slant submanifolds was given in [11] as follows:

**Theorem 2.1.** [11] Let M be a submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , such that  $\xi \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Then M is slant if and only if there exists a constant  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  such that

$$T^2 = \lambda(-I + \eta \otimes \xi) \tag{11}$$

*Furthermore, if*  $\theta$  *is slant angle, then*  $\lambda = \cos^2 \theta$ *.* 

The following relations are straightforward consequence of the above theorem

$$g(TX,TY) = \cos^2 \theta \left( g(X,Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y) \right), \tag{12}$$

$$q(FX, FY) = \sin^2 \theta \left( q(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y) \right), \tag{13}$$

for any vector fields *X*, *Y* tangent to *M*.

Also, for a slant submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold, we have the following useful result.

**Theorem 2.2.** [41] Let M be a proper slant submanifold of an almost contact metric manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , such that  $\xi \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Then

(a) 
$$BFX = \sin^2 \theta(-X + \eta(X)\xi)$$
, (b)  $CFX = -FTX$  (14)

for any  $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ .

#### 3. Skew CR-submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds

Let *M* be a submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . We recall the definition of skew CR-submanifolds from [35]. Throughout the paper we consider the the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent to the submanifold otherwise the submanifold is *C*-totally real [29].

For any *X* and *Y* in  $T_pM$ , we have g(TX, Y) = -g(X, TY). Hence, it follows that  $T^2$  is a symmetric operator on the tangent space  $T_pM$ , for all  $p \in M$ . Therefore, its eigenvalues are real and it is diagonalizable. Moreover, its eigenvalues are bounded by -1 and 0. For each  $p \in M$ , we may set

$$\mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda} = ker\{T^2 + \lambda^2(p)I\}_p,$$

where I is the identity transformation and  $\lambda(p) \in [0, 1]$  such that  $-\lambda^2(p)$  is an eigenvalue of  $T^2(p)$ . We note that  $\mathcal{D}_v^1 = kerF$  and  $\mathcal{D}_v^0 = kerT$ .  $\mathcal{D}_v^1$  is the maximal  $\varphi$ -invariant subspace of  $T_vM$  and  $\mathcal{D}_v^0$  is the maximal

 $\varphi$ -anti-invariant subspace of  $T_pM$ . From now on, we denote the distributions  $\mathcal{D}^1$  and  $\mathcal{D}^0$  by  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , respectively. Since  $T_p^2$  is symmetric and diagonalizable, if  $-\lambda_1^2(p), \dots, -\lambda_k^2(p)$  are the eigenvalues of  $T^2$  at  $p \in M$ , then  $T_pM$  can be decomposed as direct sum of mutually orthogonal eigenspaces, i.e.

 $T_pM = \mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_1} \oplus \mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_2} \cdots \oplus \mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_k}.$ 

Each  $\mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_i}$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ , is a *T*-invariant subspace of  $T_pM$ . Moreover if  $\lambda_i \ne 0$ , then  $\mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_i}$  is even dimensional. We say that a submanifold *M* of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is a generic submanifold if there exists an integer *k* and functions  $\lambda_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$  defined on *M* with values in (0, 1) such that

(1) Each  $-\lambda_i^2(p)$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$  is a distinct eigenvalue of  $T^2$  with

$$T_pM = \mathcal{D}_p \oplus \mathcal{D}_p^{\perp} \oplus \mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_1} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathcal{D}_p^{\lambda_k} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle_p$$

for any  $p \in M$ .

(2) The dimensions of  $\mathcal{D}_p$ ,  $\mathcal{D}_p^{\perp}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\lambda_i}$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$  are independent on  $p \in M$ .

Moreover, if each  $\lambda_i$  is constant on M, then M is called a skew CR-submanifold. Thus, we observe that CR-submanifolds are a particular class of skew CR-submanifolds with k = 0,  $\mathcal{D} \neq \{0\}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} \neq \{0\}$ . And slant submanifolds are also a particular class of skew CR-submanifolds with k = 1,  $\mathcal{D} = \{0\}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = \{0\}$  and  $\lambda_1$  is constant. Moreover, if  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = \{0\}$ ,  $\mathcal{D} \neq 0$  and k = 1, then M is a semi-slant submanifold. Furthermore, if  $\mathcal{D} = \{0\}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} \neq \{0\}$  and k = 1, then M is a pseudo-slant (or hemi-slant) submanifold.

A submanifold *M* of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is said to be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 if *M* is a skew CR-submanifold with k = 1 and  $\lambda_1$  is constant. In that case, the tangent bundle of *M* is decomposed as

 $TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ 

The normal bundle  $T^{\perp}M$  of a skew CR-submanifold *M* is decomposed as

 $T^{\perp}M = \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus F \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \nu,$ 

where *v* is a  $\varphi$ -invariant normal subbundle of  $T^{\perp}M$ .

Now, we give the following results which are useful for the further study.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let M be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to M. Then

$$A_{\varphi Z}W = A_{\varphi W}Z \tag{15}$$

for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ 

*Proof.* The proof of this lemma is similar to Lemma 3.2 [2].  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 3.2.** Let M be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Then the anti-invariant distribution  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is always integrable.

*Proof.* For any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g([Z, W], X_1) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W, X_1) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W Z, X_1)$$
  
=  $g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z W, \varphi X_1) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W)\eta(X_1) - g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_W Z, \varphi X_1) - \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_W Z)\eta(X_1).$ 

Using (4), we derive

$$g([Z,W],X_1) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi W, \varphi X_1) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi)W, \varphi X_1) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi Z, \varphi X_1) + g((\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi)Z, \varphi X_1).$$

Then from (3) and (5), we have

$$g([Z,W],X_1) = -g(A_{\varphi W}Z,\varphi X_1) + g(A_{\varphi Z}W,\varphi X_1).$$

From (15), we find

$$q([Z, W], X_1) = 0. (16)$$

Similarly, for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g([Z, W], X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W, X_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W Z, X_2)$$
  
=  $g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z W, \varphi X_2) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W)\eta(X_2) - g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_W Z, \varphi X_2) - \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_W Z)\eta(X_2).$ 

From (4), we obtain

$$g([Z,W],X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi W, \varphi X_2) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi)W, \varphi X_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi Z, \varphi X_2) + g((\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi)Z, \varphi X_2).$$

Then from (3) and (7), we derive

$$g([Z, W], X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi W, TX_2) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi W, FX_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi Z, TX_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi Z, FX_2).$$

Using (5), we get

$$g([Z,W],X_2) = g(A_{\varphi W}Z,TX_2) + g(W,\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z F X_2) - g(A_{\varphi Z}W,TX_2) - g(Z,\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_W F X_2).$$

Again, using (4) and (15), we obtain

$$g([Z,W],X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi F X_2, W) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) F X_2, W) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi F X_2, Z) + g((\tilde{\nabla}_W \varphi) F X_2, Z).$$

Then from (4) and (8), we find that

$$g([Z,W],X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z BFX_2,W) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z CFX_2,W) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W BFX_2,Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W CFX_2,Z).$$

Thus by Theorem 2.2, we get

$$g([Z, W], X_2) = -\sin^2 \theta g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z X_2, W) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z FTX_2, W) + \sin^2 \theta g(\tilde{\nabla}_W X_2, Z) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_W FTX_2, Z)$$
  
$$= \sin^2 \theta g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W, X_2) + g(A_{FTX_2} Z, W) - \sin^2 \theta g(\tilde{\nabla}_W Z, X_2) - g(A_{FTX_2} W, Z).$$

By the symmetric property of the shape operator, we find

$$\cos^2\theta g([Z,W],X_2)=0.$$

Since *M* is a proper skew CR-submanifold, thus  $\cos^2 \theta \neq 0$ . Then, we have

$$g([Z, W], X_2) = 0 (17)$$

Also, for any  $Z, W \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

 $g([Z,W],\xi) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z W,\xi) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_W Z,\xi) = -g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi,W) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_W \xi,Z).$ 

By using (3), the right hand side of the above relation vanishes identically, hence we find that

$$g([Z, W], \xi) = 0.$$
 (18)

By combining (16), (17) and (18), the result follows immediately.  $\Box$ 

(21)

**Lemma 3.3.** Let M be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta})$ . Then, we have

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_1, Z) = g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1, \varphi Y_1),$$
(19)

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = \sec^2 \theta \left( g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1, TY_2) - g(A_{FTY_2}Z, X_1) \right),$$
(20)

$$g(\nabla_{Y_2}X_1, Z) = g(A_{\varphi Z}\varphi X_1, Y_2)$$

for any  $X_1$ ,  $Y_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ .

*Proof.* For any  $X_1$ ,  $Y_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_1, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_1, Z) = g(\varphi\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_1, \varphi Z) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_1)\eta(Z).$$

Using (4) and the fact that  $\xi$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , we obtain

 $g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_1,Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\varphi Y_1,\varphi Z) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\varphi)Y_1,\varphi Z).$ 

Then from (3) and (5), we get

 $g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_1, Z) = g(h(X_1, \varphi Y_1), \varphi Z).$ 

Thus, (19) follows from the above relation by using (6). Also, for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_2, \varphi Z) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_2)\eta(Z).$$

Again, using (4), we get

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\varphi Y_2, \varphi Z) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\varphi)Y_2, \varphi Z).$$

From (3) and (7), we derive

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}TY_2, \varphi Z) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}FY_2, \varphi Z) = g(h(X_1, TY_2), \varphi Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\varphi FY_2, Z) + g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\varphi)FY_2, Z).$$

The last term in the right hand side vanishes identically by using (3). Then from (8), the above equation takes the form

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = g(h(X_1, TY_2), \varphi Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}BFY_2, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}CFY_2, Z).$$

Thus, on using Theorem 2.2, we find

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = g(h(X_1, TY_2), \varphi Z) + \sin^2 \theta g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_2, Z) - \sin^2 \theta \eta(Y_2)g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}\xi, Z) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}FTY_2, Z).$$

Again, using (3) and (5), we get (20). Similarly, we have

$$g(\nabla_{Y_2}X_1, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}X_1, Z) = g(\varphi\tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}X_1, \varphi Z) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}X_1)\eta(Z).$$

Then from (3), we get

$$g(\nabla_{Y_2}X_1, Z) = g(\bar{\nabla}_{Y_2}\varphi X_1, \varphi Z) = g(h(Y_2, \varphi X_1), \varphi Z) = g(A_{\varphi Z}\varphi X_1, Y_2),$$

which is (21). Hence, the lemma is proved completely.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 3.4.** Let M be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ . Then, the following hold:

(*i*) If  $\xi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta})$ , then

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = \sec^2 \theta \left( g(A_{\varphi Z}X_2, TY_2) - g(A_{FTY_2}Z, X_2) \right)$$
(22)

for any  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}), Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . (*ii*) If  $\xi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ , then

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = \sec^2 \theta \left( g(A_{FTX_2} Z, V) - g(A_{\varphi V} Z, TX_2) \right),$$
(23)

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) = -g(A_{\varphi V} Z, \varphi X_1) - \eta(X_1)g(Z, V),$$
(24)

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ ,  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . (*iii*) If  $\xi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$ , then

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = \sec^2 \theta \left( g(A_{FTX_2} Z, V) - g(A_{\varphi V} Z, TX_2) \right) - \eta(X_2) g(Z, V),$$
(25)

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) = -g(A_{\varphi V} Z, \varphi X_1) \tag{26}$$

for any 
$$X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$$
,  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ .

*Proof.* For any  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = g(\varphi\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}Y_2, \varphi Z) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}Y_2)\eta(Z).$$

Using (4), we get

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}\varphi Y_2, \varphi Z) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}\varphi)Y_2, \varphi Z).$$

The second term in the right hand side is identically zero by using (3). Then from (7), we derive

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}TY_2, \varphi Z) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}FY_2, \varphi Z).$$

Using (4) and (7), we find

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = g(h(X_2, TY_2), \varphi Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}\varphi FY_2, Z) + g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}\varphi)FY_2, Z) = g(A_{\varphi Z}TY_2), X_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}BFY_2, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}CFY_2, Z).$$

Then using Theorem 2.2, we arrive at

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = g(A_{\varphi Z}TY_2), X_2) + \sin^2\theta g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}Y_2, Z) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2}FTY_2, Z).$$

Hence, the first part of the Lemma follows from the above relation by using (5) and (6). Now, for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, X_2) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z V, \varphi X_2) + \eta(X_2)\eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V).$$

Using (4), we obtain

 $g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, \varphi X_2) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) V, \varphi X_2).$ 

Then from (3) and (7), we find that

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, TX_2) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, FX_2).$$

Again, using (4) and (5), we obtain

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z F X_2, V) - g(A_{\varphi V} Z, T X_2)$$
  
=  $g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi F X_2, V) - g(A_{\varphi V} Z, T X_2) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) F X_2, V)$   
=  $g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z B F X_2, V) - g(A_{\varphi V} Z, T X_2) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z C F X_2, V).$ 

Hence by Theorem 2.2, we derive

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = -g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) - \sin^2 \theta g(\nabla_Z X_2, V) - g(\nabla_Z FTX_2, V)$$
$$= -g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) + \sin^2 \theta g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) + g(A_{FTX_2}Z, V)$$

or,

$$\cos^2 \theta g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(A_{FTX_2}Z, V) - g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2)$$

which gives (23). Also, for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, X_1) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z V, \varphi X_1) + \eta(X_1) \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V).$$

Using (3)-(5), we derive

$$\begin{split} g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) &= g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, \varphi X_1) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) V, \varphi X_1) + \eta(X_1) \, g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, \xi) \\ &= g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, \varphi X_1) - \eta(X_1) \, g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi, V) \\ &= -g(A_{\varphi V} Z, \varphi X_1) - \eta(X_1) \, g(Z, V), \end{split}$$

which is (24). Now, to prove the last part of the lemma, consider any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Then, we have

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, X_2) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z V, \varphi X_2) + \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V) \eta(X_2).$$

Using (4), we obtain

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, \varphi X_2) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) V, \varphi X_2) + \eta(X_2) g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, \xi).$$

Then from (3) and (7), we derive

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, TX_2) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, FX_2) - \eta(X_2) g(Z, V).$$

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Again, using (4) and (5), we get

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = -g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) - g(\nabla_Z FX_2, \varphi V) - \eta(X_2) g(Z, V)$$
  
=  $-g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) + g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z FX_2, V) - \eta(X_2) g(Z, V)$   
=  $-g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z BFX_2, V) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z CFX_2, V) - \eta(X_2) g(Z, V).$ 

Hence, by Theorem 2.2, we obtain

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = -g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) - \sin^2 \theta \, g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z X_2, V) + \sin^2 \theta \, \eta(X_2) \, g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi, V) + g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z FTX_2, V) - \eta(X_2) \, g(Z, V)$$
  
=  $-g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) + \sin^2 \theta \, g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, X_2) + \sin^2 \theta \, \eta(X_2) \, g(Z, V) + g(A_{FTX_2}Z, V) - \eta(X_2) \, g(Z, V)$ 

or,

$$\cos^2\theta g(\nabla_Z V, X_2) = g(A_{FTX_2}Z, V) - g(A_{\varphi V}Z, TX_2) - \cos^2\theta \eta(X_2) g(Z, V)$$

which gives (25). Similarly, for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, X_1) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z V, \varphi X_1) + \eta(X_1) \eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V).$$

Using (3) and the fact that  $\xi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$ , we derive

$$g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V, \varphi X_1) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) V, \varphi X_1) = -g(A_{\varphi V} Z, \varphi X_1),$$

which is (26). Hence, the proof of the lemma is complete.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 3.5.** Let M be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ . Then, we have

$$g(\nabla_Z X_1, Y_2) = \csc^2 \theta \left( g(A_{FY_2} Z, \varphi X_1) - g(A_{FTY_2} Z, X_1) \right)$$
(27)

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ .

*Proof.* For any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(\nabla_Z X_1, Y_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z X_1, Y_2) = g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_Z X_1, \varphi Y_2) + \eta(Y_2)\eta(\tilde{\nabla}_Z X_1)$$

Using (4), we find that

$$g(\nabla_Z X_1, Y_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi X_1, \varphi Y_2) - g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) X_1, \varphi Y_2) - \eta(Y_2) g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi, X_1).$$

Then from (3) and (7), we obtain

$$\begin{split} g(\nabla_Z X_1, Y_2) &= g(\bar{\nabla}_Z \varphi X_1, TY_2) + g(\bar{\nabla}_Z \varphi X_1, FY_2) \\ &= g(X_1, \varphi \bar{\nabla}_Z TY_2) + g(h(Z, \varphi X_1), FY_2) \\ &= g(X_1, \bar{\nabla}_Z \varphi TY_2) - g(X_1, (\bar{\nabla}_Z \varphi) TY_2) + g(h(Z, \varphi X_1), FY_2). \end{split}$$

By using (3), (7) and (12), we derive

$$g(\nabla_Z X_1, Y_2) = -\cos^2 \theta \, g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z Y_2, X_1) + \cos^2 \theta \, \eta(Y_2) g(X_1, \tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi) - g(A_{FTY_2} Z, X_1) + g(A_{FY_2} Z, \varphi X_1)$$
  
=  $\cos^2 \theta \, g(\nabla_Z X_1, Y_2) + g(A_{FY_2} Z, \varphi X_1) - g(A_{FTY_2} Z, X_1).$ 

which gives (3.13), hence the lemma is proved.  $\Box$ 

#### 4. Warped product skew CR-submanifolds of Kenmotsu manifolds

In [7], R.L. Bishop and B. O'Neill introduced the notion of warped product manifolds to study the manifolds of negative curvatures. These manifolds are natural generalizations of Riemannian product manifolds. The definition of a warped product is formulated as: Let  $(M_1, g_1)$  and  $(M_2, g_2)$  be two Riemannian manifolds and f a positive differentiable function on  $M_1$ . Consider the product manifold  $M_1 \times M_2$  with its canonical projections  $\pi_1 : M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_1$  and  $\pi_2 : M_1 \times M_2 \rightarrow M_2$ . The warped product  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$  is the product manifold  $M_1 \times M_2$  equipped with the Riemannian metric g given by

$$g(X,Y) = g_1(\pi_{1*}(X),\pi_{1*}(Y)) + (f \circ \pi_1)^2 g_2(\pi_{2*}(X),\pi_{2*}(Y))$$

for any tangent vector  $X, Y \in TM$ , where \* is the symbol for the tangent maps. If X is tangent to  $M_1$  and V is tangent to  $M_2$ , then from lemma 7.3 of [7] we have

$$\nabla_X V = \nabla_V X = X(\ln f)V. \tag{28}$$

Recall that if  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$  is a warped product manifold, then  $M_1$  is totally geodesic in M and  $M_2$  is totally umbilical in M [7, 15].

In this section, we consider a warped product  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  in a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ , where  $M_T$ ,  $M_\theta$  and  $M_\perp$  are invariant, proper slant and anti-invariant submanifolds of  $\tilde{M}$ , respectively. Throughout this section we consider the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent to the submanifold M. Therefore, two possible cases arise:

*Case 1.* When  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_{\perp}$ , then it is easy to see that the warped product is simply a Riemannian product. Thus, we will not discuss this case anymore for the non-existence of such proper warped products.

*Case 2.* When  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ . In this case either  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_T$  or  $M_\theta$  and in both subcases the warped product exists and we will discuss these kinds of warped products in our further study.

Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$  and the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ . Then, we call such submanifolds *skew CR-warped products* analogous to the *CR-warped products* introduced by Chen in [15, 16]. If we consider the dimensions of these submanifolds as dim  $M_T = d_1$ , dim  $M_\theta = d_2$  and dim  $M_\perp = d_3$ , then it is obvious that M is a CR-warped product if  $d_2 = 0$  and M is a warped product pseudo-slant (or hemi-slant) submanifold if  $d_1 = 0$ .

Now, we provide the following non-trivial example of warped product skew CR-submanifolds of order 1 of an almost contact metric manifold.

**Example 4.1.** Consider a submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$  with the cartesian coordinates  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, t)$  and the almost contact structure

$$\varphi\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y_i}, \quad \varphi\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}, \quad \varphi\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) = 0, \quad 1 \le i, j \le 5.$$

It is easy to show  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$  is an almost contact metric manifold with respect to the Euclidean metric tensor of  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$ . Let us consider a submanifold *M* of  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$  defined by the immersion  $\chi$  as follows

 $\chi(u, v, w, s, r, t) = (u \cos w, u \sin w, u + v, s, 0, v \cos w, v \sin w, u - v, r, 0, t).$ 

Then the tangent space of *M* is spanned by the following vectors

$$Z_{1} = \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{1}} + \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{2}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{3}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{3}}, \quad Z_{2} = \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{1}} + \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{2}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{3}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{3}},$$
$$Z_{3} = -u \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{1}} + u \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{2}} - v \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{1}} + v \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{2}}, \quad Z_{4} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{4}}, \quad Z_{5} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{4}}, \quad Z_{6} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

Then, we find

$$\varphi Z_1 = -\cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} - \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y_3} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}, \quad \varphi Z_2 = \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y_3},$$
$$\varphi Z_3 = u \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} - u \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial y_2} - v \sin w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + v \cos w \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}; \quad \varphi Z_4 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y_4}, \quad \varphi Z_5 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}, \quad \varphi Z_6 = 0.$$

It is easy to see that  $\mathcal{D} = \text{Span}\{Z_4, Z_5\}$  is an invariant distribution,  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = \text{Span}\{Z_3\}$  is an anti-invariant distribution and  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} = \text{Span}\{Z_1, Z_2\}$  is a slant distribution with slant angle  $\theta = \arccos(\frac{1}{3}) = 70^{\circ}52'$  such that  $\xi = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$  is tangent to  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta}$ . Hence, we conclude that M is a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$ . It is easy to observe that  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  are integrable. Denoting the integral manifolds of  $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  by  $M_T, M_{\theta}$  and  $M_{\perp}$ , respectively. Then the induced metric tensor g of M is given by

$$ds^{2} = 3(du^{2} + dv^{2}) + ds^{2} + dr^{2} + dt^{2} + (u^{2} + v^{2})dw^{2}$$
  
=  $q_{M_{1}} + (u^{2} + v^{2})q_{M_{2}}$ .

Thus *M* is a warped product skew CR submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^{11}$  with the warping function  $f = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_{\theta}$ .

Now, we prove the following useful lemmas for a warped product skew CR-submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold.

**Lemma 4.2.** Let  $M = M_1 \times {}_f M_{\perp}$  be a warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$  and  $M_1 = M_T \times M_{\theta}$ , where  $M_T$  and  $M_{\theta}$  are invariant and proper slant submanifolds of  $\tilde{M}$ , respectively. Then, the following hold:

- (*i*)  $\xi(\ln f) = 1$ ,
- $(ii) \hspace{0.1in} g(h(X_1,Y_1),\varphi Z)=0,$
- $(iii) \ g(h(X_1,Z),FY_2)=h(X_1,Y_2),\varphi Z)=0,$
- (*iv*)  $g(h(X_2, Z), FY_2) = g(h(X_2, Y_2), \varphi Z)$

for any  $X_1, Y_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T), X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(TM_{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ .

*Proof.* For any  $Z \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ , we have  $\tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi = Z$ . Then from (5), we get

 $\nabla_Z \xi + h(Z,\xi) = Z.$ 

Equating the tangential components and then using (28), we obtain  $\xi(\ln f)Z = Z$ . Taking the inner product with *Z*, we get (i). Now, for the other parts of the lemma we consider any  $X_1, Y_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ . Then, we have

$$g(h(X_1, Y_1), \varphi Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_1, \varphi Z) = -g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_{X_1}Y_1, Z).$$

Then from (4), we arrive at

$$g(h(X_1, Y_1), \varphi Z) = g((\nabla_{X_1} \varphi) Y_1, Z) - g(\nabla_{X_1} \varphi Y_1, Z) = g(\nabla_{X_1} Z, \varphi Y_1).$$

Thus, on using (28), we get  $g(h(X_1, Y_1), \varphi Z) = X_1(\ln f) g(\varphi Y_1, Z) = 0$ , which is (ii). To prove the third part of the lemma, consider any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(TM_\theta)$ , and  $Z \in \Gamma(TM_\perp)$ . Then, we have

 $g(h(X_1, Y_2), \varphi Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1} Y_2, \varphi Z) = -g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_{X_1} Y_2, Z).$ 

Using (4), we obtain

$$g(h(X_1, Y_2), \varphi Z) = g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1} \varphi) Y_2, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1} \varphi Y_2, Z).$$

First term in the right hand side vanishes identically by using (3). Then from (7), we get

 $g(h(X_1, Y_2), \varphi Z) = -g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1} T Y_2, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_1} F Y_2, Z).$ 

Using (5) and (28), we find that

$$g(h(X_1, Y_2), \varphi Z) = X_1(\ln f) g(TY_2, Z) + g(A_{FY_2}Z, X_1).$$

Hence, first equality of (iii) follows from the above relation by using (6) and the orthogonality of vector fields. For the second equality of (iii), we have

 $g(h(X_1,Y_2),\varphi Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}X_1,\varphi Z) = -g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}X_1,Z) = g((\tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}\varphi)X_1,Z) - g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_{Y_2}X_1,Z).$ 

From (3), (5) and (28), we derive

$$g(h(X_1, Y_2), \varphi Z) = Y_2(\ln f) g(\varphi X_1, Z) = 0,$$

which is the second equality of (iii). Similarly, for any  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(TM_{\theta})$ , and  $Z \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ , we have

 $g(h(X_2, Y_2), \varphi Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2} Y_2, \varphi Z) = -g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_{X_2} Y_2, Z).$ 

From (4), we find

$$g(h(X_2, Y_2), \varphi Z) = g((\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2} \varphi) Y_2, Z) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2} \varphi Y_2, Z) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_{X_2} Z, TY_2) + g(A_{FY_2} X_2, Z).$$

Then (6) and (28), we obtain

 $g(h(X_2, Y_2), \varphi Z) = X_2(\ln f) g(TY_2, Z) + g(h(X_2, Z), FY_2).$ 

Thus, the fourth part of the lemma follows form the above relation by using the orthogonality of vector fields. Hence, the lemma is proved completely.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ , where  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ . Then, we have

$$g(h(X_1, Z), \varphi V) = -\varphi X_1(\ln f) g(Z, V)$$
(29)

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_\perp)$ .

*Proof.* For any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(h(X_1, Z), \varphi V) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z X_1, \varphi V) = -g(\varphi \tilde{\nabla}_V X_1, V).$$

Then from (4), we obtain

$$g(h(X_1, Z), \varphi V) = g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) X_1, V) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_V \varphi X_1, V).$$

First term in the right hand side is identically zero by using (3). Then from (5) and (28), we get

 $g(h(X_1, Z), \varphi V) = -\varphi X_1(\ln f) g(Z, V),$ 

which is (29). Thus, the proof is complete.  $\Box$ 

If we interchange  $X_1$  by  $\varphi X_1$  in (29) for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$ , then two cases arise:

(i) When  $\xi \in \Gamma(TM_T)$ , then

$$g(h(\varphi X_1, Z), \varphi V) = (X_1(\ln f) - \eta(X_1)) \ g(Z, V), \tag{30}$$

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ .

(ii) When  $\xi \in \Gamma(TM_{\theta})$ , then

$$g(h(\varphi X_1, Z), \varphi V) = X_1(\ln f) \, g(Z, V), \tag{31}$$

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(TM_T)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ .

Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a warped product skew CR-submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ . We denote the tangent spaces of  $M_T$ ,  $M_\theta$  and  $M_\perp$  by  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^\theta$  and  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$ , respectively. Then M is called  $\mathcal{D} - \mathcal{D}^\perp$  mixed totally geodesic if  $h(X_1, Z) = 0$ , for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\perp)$ , respectively. Similarly, M is a  $\mathcal{D}^\theta - \mathcal{D}^\perp$  mixed totally geodesic if  $h(X_2, Z) = 0$ , for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\theta)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\perp)$ , respectively. The following theorem is a consequence of Lemma 4.2

The following theorem is a consequence of Lemma 4.3.

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ , where  $M_T$  and  $M_\theta$  are invariant and proper slant submanifolds of  $\tilde{M}$ , respectively. If M is  $\mathcal{D} - \mathcal{D}^\perp$  mixed totally geodesic warped product, then f is constant on M.

*Proof.* The proof follows from Lemma 4.3.  $\Box$ 

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**Lemma 4.5.** Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ , where  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ . Then, we have

$$g(h(Z, V), FX_2) - g(h(Z, X_2), \varphi V) = TX_2(\ln f) g(Z, V)$$
(32)

for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(TM_{\theta})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_{\perp})$ .

*Proof.* For any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(TM_\theta)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_\perp)$ , we have

$$g(h(X_2, Z), \varphi V) = g(\nabla_Z X_2, \varphi V) = -g(\varphi \nabla_Z X_2, V).$$

Then (4), we derive

$$g(h(X_2, Z), \varphi V) = g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi) X_2, V) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi X_2, V).$$

First term in the right hand side identically vanishes by using (3). Then from (7), we get

 $g(h(X_2, Z), \varphi V) = -g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z T X_2, V) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z F X_2, V).$ 

Using (5) and (28), we obtain

$$g(h(X_2, Z), \varphi V) = -TX_2(\ln f) g(Z, V) + g(A_{FX_2}Z, V),$$

which gives (32). Hence the proof is complete.  $\Box$ 

If we interchange  $X_2$  by  $TX_2$  in (32) for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(TM_{\theta})$ , then two cases arise:

(i) When  $\xi \in \Gamma(TM_T)$ , then

$$g(h(Z, V), FTX_2) - g(h(TX_2, Z), \varphi V) = -\cos^2 \theta X_2(\ln f) g(Z, V),$$
(33)

for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(TM_\theta)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_\perp)$ .

(ii) When  $\xi \in \Gamma(TM_{\theta})$ , then

$$g(h(Z,V),FTX_2) - g(h(TX_2,Z),\varphi V) = \cos^2 \theta \ (\eta(X_2) - X_2(\ln f)) \ g(Z,V), \tag{34}$$

for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(TM_\theta)$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(TM_\perp)$ .

#### 5. A characterization of skew CR-warped products

As we have seen that there is no proper warped product skew CR-submanifold M of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$ , if M is  $\mathcal{D} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic (Theorem 4.4). Thus, for further study, we consider the warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold, when it is a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic. Before proving a characterization, we need the following definitions.

**Definition 5.1.** A *foliation* on a manifold *M* is an integrable subbundle  $\mathcal{F}$  of the tangent bundle of *M*, i.e., for any sections *X* and *Y* of  $\mathcal{F}$ , then the Lie bracket [*X*, *Y*] is a section of  $\mathcal{F}$  as well.

**Definition 5.2.** A *foliation* L on a Riemannian manifold M is called *totally umbilical* if every leaf of L is a totally umbilical Riemannian submanifold of M. If, in addition, the mean curvature vector of every leaf is parallel in the normal bundle, then L is called a *spherical foliation*, because in this case each leaf of L is an extrinsic sphere in M. If every leaf of L is a totally geodesic submanifold of M, then L is called a *totally geodesic foliation*.

Now, we recall the following well-known result of S. Hiepko [26].

**Hiepko's Theorem.** Let  $\mathcal{D}_1$  and  $\mathcal{D}_2$  be two orthogonal distribution on a Riemannian manifold M. Suppose that both  $\mathcal{D}_1$  and  $\mathcal{D}_2$  are involutive such that  $\mathcal{D}_1$  is a totally geodesic foliation and  $\mathcal{D}_2$  is a spherical foliation. Then M is locally isometric to a non-trivial warped product  $M_1 \times_f M_2$ , where  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are integral manifolds of  $\mathcal{D}_1$  and  $\mathcal{D}_2$ , respectively.

Now, we prove the following characterization by using Hiepko's Theorem and useful lemmas of Sections 3 and Sections 4.

**Theorem 5.3.** Let *M* be a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Then *M* is locally a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product skew CR-submanifold if and only if

(*i*)  $A_{\varphi Z}X$  has no component in  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ , *i.e.*,  $A_{\varphi Z}X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . (*ii*) For any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$A_{\varphi Z}X_1 = -\varphi X_1(\mu)Z, \ A_{\varphi Z}X_2 = 0, \ A_{FX_2}Z = TX_2(\mu)Z, \ (\xi\mu) = 1$$
(35)

for some smooth function  $\mu$  on M satisfying  $V(\mu) = 0$ , for any  $V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ .

*Proof.* Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a  $\mathcal{D}^\theta - \mathcal{D}^\perp$  mixed totally geodesic proper warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ . In this theorem the tangent spaces of  $M_T$ ,  $M_\theta$  and  $M_\perp$  are also denoted by  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^\theta$  and  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$ , respectively. Then, from Lemma 4.2 (ii), we have

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_1 \perp \mathcal{D}, \ \forall \ X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$
(36)

Similarly, from the second equality of lemma 4.2 (iii), we have

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_1 \perp \mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \ \forall X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$
(37)

Also, for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1,\xi) = g(h(X_1,\xi),\varphi Z) = 0,$$
(38)

since for a submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold  $h(U, \xi) = 0$ ,  $\forall U \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Thus, from (36)-(38), we conclude that

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}), \ \forall \ X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$
(39)

Similarly, from the second equality of Lemma 4.2 (iii), we have

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_2 \perp \mathcal{D}, \ \forall \ X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$

$$\tag{40}$$

Also, for a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product skew CR-submanifold, from Lemma 4.2 (iv), we have

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_2 \perp \mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \ \forall \ X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$

$$\tag{41}$$

On the other hand, for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$q(A_{\omega Z}X_2,\xi) = q(h(X_2,\xi),\varphi Z) = 0.$$
(42)

Then, from (40)-(42), we conclude that

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}), \ \forall \ X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\flat}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$
(43)

Also, from (38) and (42), we conclude that  $A_{\varphi Z}\xi$  orthogonal to both  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$ . While  $g(A_{\varphi Z}\xi,\xi) = 0$ , i.e.,  $A_{\varphi Z}\xi \perp \langle \xi \rangle$ , for all  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Thus, we find that

$$A_{\varphi Z}\xi \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}), \ Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}).$$

$$(44)$$

Thus, from (39), (43) and (44), we get  $A_{\varphi Z}X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , which is (i).

For (ii), we proceed the proof as follows: From Lemma 4.2 (ii), we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1, Y_1) = 0$ , for any  $X_1, Y_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ , and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . And, from the second equality of lemma 4.2 (iii), we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1, Y_2) = 0$ , for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Also, for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1, \xi) = g(h(X_1, \xi), \varphi Z) = 0$ . Thus, we conclude that  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_1, X) = 0$ , for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ , which means that either  $A_{\varphi Z}X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  or  $A_{\varphi Z}X_1 = 0$ . If  $A_{\varphi Z}X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , then by taking the inner product with  $V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  and using Lemma 4.3, we get the first relation of (ii).

Now, for the second relation of (ii), form Lemma 4.2 (iii), we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_2, X_1) = 0$ , for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . And, for a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product skew CR-submanifold, from Lemma 4.2 (iv), we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_2, Y_2) = 0$ , for any  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . On the other hand, for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_2, \xi) = g(h(X_2, \xi), \varphi Z) = 0$ . Hence, we conclude that  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_2, X) = 0$ , for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ , which means that either  $A_{\varphi Z}X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  or  $A_{\varphi Z}X_2 = 0$ . If  $A_{\varphi Z}X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , then taking the inner product with  $V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have  $g(A_{\varphi Z}X_2, V) = g(h(X_2, V), \varphi Z) = 0$ , by using the  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic condition. Hence, in both cases  $A_{\varphi Z}X_2 = 0$ , which is the second relation of (ii).

Similarly, from Lemma 4.2 (iii), we have  $g(A_{FX_2}Z, X_1) = 0$ , for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . And, for a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product skew CR-submanifold, we have  $g(A_{FX_2}Z, Y_2) = 0$ , for any  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Also, for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have  $g(A_{FX_2}Z, Y_2) = 0$ ,  $f(Z, \xi), FX_2 = 0$ . Thus, we conclude that  $g(A_{FX_2}Z, X) = 0$ , for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\oplus} \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ , which means that either  $A_{FX_2}Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  or  $A_{FX_2}Z = 0$ . If  $A_{FX_2}Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , then from Lemma 4.5, for a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product submanifold, we find the third relation of (ii). The last relation of (ii) follows from Lemma 4.3 (i).

Conversely, suppose that M is a proper skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that (i) and (ii) hold. Then, from Lemma 3.3 and the given conditions of (ii), we have

$$g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_1, Z) = 0, \quad g(\nabla_{X_1}Y_2, Z) = 0, \quad g(\nabla_{Y_2}X_1, Z) = 0$$
(45)

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Similarly, from Lemma 3.4 (i) and the given conditions of (ii), we find that

$$g(\nabla_{X_2}Y_2, Z) = 0, (46)$$

for any  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\theta)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\perp)$ . Thus, the relations (45) and (46) imply that the leaves of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^\theta \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ are totally geodesic in M. Consider  $M_1$  be a leaf of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^\theta \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ , thus  $M_1$  is totally geodesic in M. On the other hand, from Lemma 3.2,  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  is always integrable. If we consider the integral manifold  $M_\perp$  of  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  and  $h^\perp$  be the second fundamental form of  $M_\perp$  in M, then for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^\perp)$ , we have

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z, V), X_1) = g(\nabla_Z V, X_1) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V, X_1) = -g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z X_1, V).$$

Using (2), (4) and the fact that  $\xi$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , we obtain

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),X_1) = g((\nabla_Z \varphi)X_1,\varphi V) - g(\nabla_Z \varphi X_1,\varphi V).$$

Then from (3) and (5), we arrive at

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),X_1) = -\eta(X_1)g((Z,V) - g(h(\varphi X_1,Z),\varphi V)) = -\eta(X_1)g((Z,V) - g(A_{\varphi V}\varphi X_1,Z)).$$

Using the given hypothesis of the theorem i.e., the first relation of (ii) by interchanging  $X_1$  by  $\varphi X_1$ , we derive

$$q(h^{\perp}(Z, V), X_1) = -X_1(\mu) q(Z, V).$$

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Thus, from the gradient definition, we find

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),X_1) = -g(\vec{\nabla}\mu,X_1)\,g(Z,V). \tag{47}$$

Similarly, for any  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),TX_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V,TX_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V,\varphi X_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V,FX_2).$$

Using the covariant derivative property of the connection and (2), we obtain

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),TX_2) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z FX_2,V) - g(\varphi\tilde{\nabla}_Z V,X_2) = -g(A_{FX_2}Z,V) + g((\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi)V,X_2) - g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \varphi V,X_2)$$

Then from (3), (5) and the hypothesis of the theorem, i.e., the third relation of (ii), we derive

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),TX_2) = -TX_2(\mu) g(Z,V) + g(A_{\varphi V}Z,X_2).$$

From the gradient definition and the symmetric property of shape operator, we find that

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),TX_2) = -g(\nabla \mu,TX_2)g(Z,V) + g(A_{\varphi V}X_2,Z).$$

Second term in the right hand side of the above equation vanishes identically by using the second relation of (ii), thus, we obtain

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),TX_2) = -g(\nabla \mu,TX_2)g(Z,V).$$
(48)

Also, for any  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , we have

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),\xi) = g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z V,\xi) = -g(\tilde{\nabla}_Z \xi,V) = -g(Z,V).$$

Then, from the hypothesis of the theorem, i.e., the last relation of (ii), we find that

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),\xi) = -(\xi\mu)\,g(Z,V) = -g(\vec{\nabla}\mu,\xi)\,g(Z,V).$$
(49)

Thus, from (47)-(49), we conclude that

$$g(h^{\perp}(Z,V),X) = -g(\vec{\nabla}\mu,X)\,g(Z,V),$$
(50)

for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ , which means that

$$h^{\perp}(Z,V) = -\vec{\nabla}\mu \, g(Z,V). \tag{51}$$

The relation (51) implies that  $M_{\perp}$  is totally umbilical in M with mean curvature vector  $H^{\perp} = -\vec{\nabla}\mu$ . Now, we have to show that  $H^{\perp}$  is parallel with respect to the normal connection  $D^N$  of  $M_{\perp}$  in M. For this, consider any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  and  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , thus we have

$$g(D_Z^N \vec{\nabla} \mu, X) = g(\nabla_Z \vec{\nabla} \mu, X) = g(\nabla_Z \vec{\nabla}^T \mu, X_1) + g(\nabla_Z \vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu, X_2) + g(\nabla_Z \vec{\nabla}^\xi \mu, \xi),$$

where  $\vec{\nabla}^T \mu$ ,  $\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \mu$  and  $\vec{\nabla}^{\xi} \mu$  are the gradient components of  $\mu$  on M along  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  and  $\langle \xi \rangle$ , respectively. Using the Riemannian metric property, we derive

$$\begin{split} g(D_Z^N \vec{\nabla} \mu, X) &= Zg(\vec{\nabla}^T \mu, X_1) - g(\vec{\nabla}^T \mu, \nabla_Z X_1) + Zg(\vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu, X_2) - g(\vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu, \nabla_Z X_2) + Zg(\vec{\nabla}^\xi \mu, \xi) - Zg(\vec{\nabla}^\xi \mu, \nabla_Z \xi) \\ &= Z(X_1 \mu) - g(\vec{\nabla}^T \mu, [Z, X_1]) - g(\vec{\nabla}^T \mu, \nabla_{X_1} Z) + Z(X_2 \mu) - g(\vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu, [Z, X_2]) - g(\vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu, \nabla_{X_2} Z) \\ &+ Z(\xi \mu) - g(\vec{\nabla}^\xi \mu, [Z, \xi]) - g(\vec{\nabla}^\xi \mu, \nabla_\xi Z). \end{split}$$

Now, using the definition of Lie bracket and a property of Riemannian connection, the above relation will be

$$g(D_Z^N \vec{\nabla} \mu, X) = X_1(Z\mu) + g(\nabla_{X_1} \vec{\nabla}^T \mu, Z) + X_2(Z\mu) + g(\nabla_{X_2} \vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu, Z) + \xi(Z\mu) + g(\nabla_\xi \vec{\nabla}^\xi \mu, Z) = 0,$$
(52)

since  $(Z\mu) = 0$ , for any  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  and  $\nabla_{X_1} \vec{\nabla}^T \mu + \nabla_{X_2} \vec{\nabla}^\theta \mu + \nabla_{\xi} \vec{\nabla}^{\xi} \mu = \nabla_X \vec{\nabla} \mu$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , for any  $X \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^\theta \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  as we know that  $\vec{\nabla} \mu$  is the gradient along  $M_1$  and  $M_1$  is totally geodesic in M. This means that the mean curvature vector  $H^{\perp}$  of  $M_{\perp}$  is parallel. Thus, the leaves of  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  are totally umbilical with non vanishing parallel mean curvature vector  $-\vec{\nabla}\mu$ , where  $\vec{\nabla}\mu$  is the gradient of the function  $\mu$ , i.e.,  $M_{\perp}$  is an extrinsic sphere in M. Hence, by Hiepko's Theorem, M is a warped product submanifold, which completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

#### 6. Inequalities for skew CR-warped products

In this section, we establish two estimates for the squared norm of the second fundamental form of a warped product skew CR submanifold  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  in a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ , where  $M_T$  and  $M_\theta$  are invariant and proper slant submanifolds of  $\tilde{M}$ , respectively. First, we construct the following frame fields for a warped product skew CR-submanifold.

Let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  be a *m*-dimensional warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a (2n + 1)dimensional Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that the structure vector field  $\xi$  tangent to  $M_T$ , where  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ . Let us consider the dimensions dim  $M_T = 2p + 1$ , dim  $M_\theta = 2q$  and dim  $M_\perp = s$  and their corresponding tangent spaces are denoted by  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^\theta$  and  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$ , respectively. We set the orthonormal frame fields of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  as follows

$$\{e_1, e_2, \cdots, e_p, e_{p+1} = \varphi e_1, \cdots, e_{2p} = \varphi e_p, e_{2p+1} = \xi\}$$

and the orthonormal frame fields of  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , respectively are

$$\{e_{2p+2} = e_1^*, \cdots, e_{2p+q+1} = e_q^*, e_{2p+q+2} = e_{q+1}^* = \sec \theta \, Te_1^*, \cdots, e_{2p+2q+1} = e_{2q}^* = \sec \theta \, Te_q^*\}$$

and

$$\{e_{2p+1+2q+1} = \hat{e}_1, \cdots, e_m = e_{2p+1+2q+s} = \hat{e}_s\}.$$

Then the orthonormal frames of the normal subbundles  $FD^{\theta}$ ,  $\varphi D^{\perp}$  and  $\nu$ , respectively are

 $\{e_{m+1} = \tilde{e}_1 = \csc \theta F e_1^*, \cdots e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_q = \csc \theta F e_q, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_q = \csc \theta F e_q, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_q = \csc \theta F e_q, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_q = \csc \theta F e_q, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_q = \csc \theta F e_q, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_q = \csc \theta F e_q, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \tilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \csc \theta \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \varepsilon \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \varepsilon \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \varepsilon \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \widetilde{e}_{q+1} = \varepsilon \sec \theta F E_1^*, e_{m+q+1} = \varepsilon \sec \theta F$ 

$$\cdots, e_{m+2q} = \tilde{e}_{2q} = \csc\theta \sec\theta FTe_a^*$$

$$\{e_{m+2q+1} = \tilde{e}_{2q+1} = \varphi \hat{e}_1, \cdots, e_{m+2q+s} = \tilde{e}_{2q+s} = \varphi \hat{e}_s\}$$

and

$$\{e_{m+2q+s+1}, \cdots, e_{2n+1}\}.$$

It is clear that dim v = (2n + 1 - m - 2q - s).

Now, we establish the following relationship for the squared norm of the second fundament form of the warped product skew CR-submanifold in Kenmotsu manifolds.

**Theorem 6.1.** Let  $M = M_1 \times {}_f M_{\perp}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_T$ , where  $M_1 = M_T \times M_{\theta}$ . Then

(i) The squared norm of the second fundamental form satisfies

$$\|h\|^{2} \ge s \left(\cot^{2} \theta \|\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f\|^{2}\right) + 2s \left(\|\vec{\nabla}^{T} \ln f\|^{2} - 1\right)$$
(53)

where  $\vec{\nabla}^T \ln f$  and  $\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f$  are the gradient components of the function  $\ln f$  along  $M_T$  and  $M_{\theta}$ , respectively and  $s = \dim M_{\perp}$ .

(ii) If equality sign in (i) holds, then  $M_1$  is a totally geodesic submanifold and  $M_{\perp}$  is a totally umbilical submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ .

*Proof.* From the definition of *h*, we have

$$||h||^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^m g(h(e_i, e_j), h(e_i, e_j)) = \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^m g(h(e_i, e_j), e_r)^2.$$

Using the constructed frame fields, we find

$$||h||^{2} = \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}^{*}), e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*}, e_{j}^{*}), e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{2q} \sum_{j=1}^{s} g(h(e_{i}^{*}, \hat{e}_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s} g(h(e_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{s} g(h(e_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=1}^{s} g(h(e_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{s}$$

Fourth term in the right hand side vanishes identically by using the  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic condition, thus we derive

$$\begin{split} \|h\|^{2} &= \sum_{r=m+1}^{m+2q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+1}^{m+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}),e_{r})^{2} \\ &+ 2 \sum_{r=m+1}^{m+2q} \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+2q+1}^{m+2q+s} \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{m+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*},e_{j}^{*}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+s+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2n+1} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2} g(h(e_{i},e_{j}),e_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=m+2q+1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2n+2q+s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2n+2q+s}$$

Since we could not find the relations for a warped product in the form g(h(U, W), v), for any U, W either in  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  or  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$  or  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , therefore we will leave the positive third, sixth, ninth, twelfth and fifteenth terms in

the right hand side of (55). Then, we find

$$\begin{split} \|h\|^{2} &\geq \sum_{r=1}^{2q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}), \tilde{e}_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=1}^{s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2p+1} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}), \varphi\tilde{e}_{r})^{2} + 2\sum_{r=1}^{2q} \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{q} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}^{*}), \tilde{e}_{r})^{2} \\ &+ 2\sum_{r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{q} g(h(e_{i}, e_{j}^{*}), \varphi\hat{e}_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=1}^{2q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*}, e_{j}^{*}), \tilde{e}_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=1}^{s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{2q} g(h(e_{i}^{*}, e_{j}^{*}), \varphi\hat{e}_{r})^{2} \\ &+ \sum_{r=1}^{2q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \tilde{e}_{r})^{2} + \sum_{r=1}^{s} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \varphi\hat{e}_{r})^{2} + 2\sum_{r=1}^{2q} \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{s} g(h(e_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \tilde{e}_{r})^{2} \\ &+ 2\sum_{r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=1}^{2p+1} \sum_{j=1}^{s} g(h(e_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \varphi\hat{e}_{r})^{2}. \end{split}$$

$$(56)$$

The second and fourth terms vanish identically by using Lemma 4.2 (ii) and Lemma 4.2 (iii), respectively and for a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product, the sixth term vanishes identically by using Lemma 4.2 (iv). Also, we could not find the relations for a warped product in the forms  $g(h(X_1, Y_1), F\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$ ,  $g(h(X_2, Y_2), F\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$ ,  $g(h(X_1, X_2), F\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $g(h(Z, V), \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ , for any  $X_1, Y_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ ,  $X_2, Y_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Hence, by leaving these positive terms in the right of (56) and using the constructed frame fields, we obtain

$$||h||^{2} \geq \sum_{r=1}^{q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \csc \theta F e_{r}^{*})^{2} + \sum_{r=1}^{q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \csc \theta \sec \theta F T e_{r}^{*})^{2} + 2 \sum_{j,r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{2p} g(h(e_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}), \varphi \hat{e}_{r})^{2} + 2 \sum_{j,r=1}^{s} g(h(e_{2p+1}, \hat{e}_{j}), \varphi \hat{e}_{r}).$$
(57)

Since  $e_{2p+1} = \xi$  and for a submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold, we have  $h(\xi, U) = 0$ , for any  $U \in \Gamma(TM)$ , thus the last term in the right hand side of (57) vanishes identically. Then, we derive

$$\begin{split} ||h||^{2} &\geq \csc^{2}\theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i},\hat{e}_{j}),Fe_{r}^{*})^{2} + \csc^{2}\theta \sec^{2}\theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} g(h(\hat{e}_{i},\hat{e}_{j}),FTe_{r}^{*})^{2} \\ &+ 2\sum_{j,r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{p} g(h(e_{i},\hat{e}_{j}),\varphi\hat{e}_{r})^{2} + 2\sum_{j,r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{p} g(h(\varphi e_{i},\hat{e}_{j}),\varphi\hat{e}_{r})^{2}. \end{split}$$

Then, from (29), (30), (32) and (33), we arrive at

$$||h||^{2} \ge \csc^{2} \theta \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} \sum_{r=1}^{q} \left( Te_{r}^{*}(\ln f) g(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}) \right)^{2} + \cot^{2} \theta \sum_{i,j=1}^{s} \sum_{r=1}^{q} \left( e_{r}^{*}(\ln f) g(\hat{e}_{i}, \hat{e}_{j}) \right)^{2} + 2 \sum_{j,r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \left( \varphi e_{i}(\ln f) g(\hat{e}_{j}, \hat{e}_{r}) \right)^{2} + 2 \sum_{j,r=1}^{s} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \left( e_{i}(\ln f) - \eta(e_{i}) \right)^{2} g(\hat{e}_{j}, \hat{e}_{r})^{2}.$$

Since  $\eta(e_i) = 0$ ,  $\forall i = 1, \dots, 2p$  and  $\eta(e_{2p+1}) = 1$ , thus we obtain

$$||h||^{2} \ge s \csc^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{2q} (Te_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} - s \csc^{2} \theta \sum_{r=q+1}^{2q} (Te_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} + s \cot^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} (e_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} + 2s \sum_{i=1}^{2p+1} (e_{i}(\ln f))^{2} - 2s(e_{2p+1}(\ln f))^{2}$$

Using (10) and Lemma 4.2 (i), we find

$$\begin{split} ||h||^{2} &\geq s \csc^{2} \theta ||T\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f||^{2} - s \csc^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} g(e_{q+r}^{*}, T\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f)^{2} \\ &+ s \cot^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} (e_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} + 2s ||\vec{\nabla}^{T} \ln f||^{2} - 2s \\ &= s \cot^{2} \theta ||\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f||^{2} - s \csc^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} g(\sec \theta T e_{r}^{*}, T\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f)^{2} \\ &+ s \cot^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} (e_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} + 2s \left( ||\vec{\nabla}^{T} \ln f||^{2} - 1 \right). \end{split}$$

Then, from the gradient definition, we obtain

$$||h||^{2} \ge s \cot^{2} \theta ||\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f||^{2} - s \cot^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} (e_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} + s \cot^{2} \theta \sum_{r=1}^{q} (e_{r}^{*}(\ln f))^{2} + 2s \left( ||\vec{\nabla}^{T} \ln f||^{2} - 1 \right)$$

which is inequality (i). To prove the equality case of (53), we proceed as follows: From the given mixed totally geodesic condition, we have

$$h(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) = 0.$$
<sup>(58)</sup>

On the other hand, leaving the third term in (55) and the first term in (56), we respectively have

$$h(\mathcal{D},\mathcal{D}) \perp \nu \text{ and } h(\mathcal{D},\mathcal{D}) \perp F\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \Rightarrow h(\mathcal{D},\mathcal{D}) \subseteq \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$
 (59)

Also, from Lemma 4.2 (ii), we have

$$h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}) \perp \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}. \tag{60}$$

Then, from (59) and (60), we conclude that

$$h(\mathcal{D},\mathcal{D}) = 0. \tag{61}$$

Similarly, from the leaving ninth term in the right hand side of (55) and leaving fifth term in the right hand side of (56), we find

$$h(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \perp \nu \text{ and } h(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \perp F\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \Rightarrow h(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \subseteq \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$
 (62)

And for a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product, from Lemma 4.2 (iv), we have

$$h(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \perp \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$
(63)

Thus, from (62) and (63), we arrive at

$$h(\mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) = 0. \tag{64}$$

From the leaving sixth term in the right hand side of (55) and leaving third term in (56), we respectively find that

$$h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \perp \nu \text{ and } h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \perp F \mathcal{D}^{\theta}, \Rightarrow h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \subseteq \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$
 (65)

Also, from Lemma 4.2 (iii), we obtain

$$h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) \perp \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$
(66)

Then, from (65) and (66), we conclude that

$$h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\theta}) = 0. \tag{67}$$

Since  $M_1$  is totally geodesic in M [7, 15], using this fact with (58), (61), (64) and (67), we get  $M_1$  is totally geodesic in  $\tilde{M}$ . On the other hand, leaving the fifteenth term in the right hand side of (55), we find  $h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) \perp v$ . Also, from Lemma 4.2 (iii), we obtain  $h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) \perp F\mathcal{D}^{\theta}$ . Thus, we conclude that

$$h(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) \subseteq \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}.$$
(68)

And, the leaving twelfth term in the right hand side of (55) and the leaving sixth term in the right hand side of (56), we respectively have

$$h(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) \perp v \text{ and } h(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) \perp \varphi \mathcal{D}^{\perp}, \Rightarrow h(\mathcal{D}^{\perp}, \mathcal{D}^{\perp}) \subseteq F \mathcal{D}^{\theta}.$$
 (69)

Also, from Lemma 4.3 and Lemma 4.5, we respectively have

$$g(h(X_1, Z), \varphi V) = -\varphi X_1(\ln f) g(Z, V)$$

$$\tag{70}$$

and

$$g(h(Z, V), FX_2) = TX_2(\ln f) g(Z, V),$$
(71)

for any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$ ,  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta})$  and  $Z, V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ . Since  $M_{\perp}$  is totally umbilical in M [7, 15], using this fact with (58) and (68)-(71), we observe that  $M_{\perp}$  is a totally umbilical submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ . Hence, the theorem is proved completely.  $\Box$ 

If the structure vector field  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_{\theta}$ , then we have the following result.

**Theorem 6.2.** Let  $M = M_1 \times {}_f M_{\perp}$  be a  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} - \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  mixed totally geodesic warped product skew CR-submanifold of order 1 of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_{\theta}$ , where  $M_1 = M_T \times M_{\theta}$ . Then

(i) The squared norm of the second fundamental form satisfies

$$\|h\|^{2} \ge s \cot^{2} \theta \left( \|\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f\|^{2} - 1 \right) + 2s \|\vec{\nabla}^{T} \ln f\|^{2}$$
(72)

where  $\vec{\nabla}^T \ln f$  and  $\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f$  are the gradient components of the function  $\ln f$  along  $M_T$  and  $M_{\theta}$ , respectively.

(ii) If the equality sign in (i) holds, then  $M_1$  is a totally geodesic submanifold and  $M_{\perp}$  is a totally umbilical submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ .

We can prove this theorem like Theorem 5.3, just we have to handle the structure vector field  $\xi$ . In this case the dimensions of  $M_T$  and  $M_{\theta}$  respectively are 2p and 2q + 1 and the orthonormal frames of their tangent spaces  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ , respectively are  $\{e_1, e_2, \cdots, e_p, e_{p+1} = \varphi e_1, \cdots, e_{2p} = \varphi e_p\}$  and  $\{e_{2p+1} = e_1^*, \cdots, e_{2p+q} = e_q^*, e_{2p+q+1} = e_{q+1}^* = \sec \theta T e_1^*, \cdots, e_{2p+2q} = e_{2q}^* = \sec \theta T e_q^*, e_{2p+2q+1} = e_{2q+1}^* = \xi\}$ .

#### 7. Some Applications

In this section, we give some applications of our derived results.

For the warped product skew CR-submanifolds of the form  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ , if dim  $M_\theta = 0$ , then the warped product skew CR-submanifolds turn into CR-warped products  $M = M_T \times_f M_\perp$  which have been studied in [3, 27]. Hence, Theorem 5.3 generalise a result of [27] as follows:

If we put dim  $M_{\theta} = 0$  in Theorem 5.3, then the warped product is of the form  $M = M_T \times_f M_{\perp}$ , a contact CR-warped product in a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Thus, we have the following special case of Theorem 5.3.

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**Corollary 7.1.** (Theorem 3.4 [27]) A proper contact CR-submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  is locally a contact CR-warped product if and only if

$$A_{\varphi Z}X_1 = -(\varphi X_1 \mu)Z, \quad \forall \ X_1 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle), \qquad Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$$
(73)

for some function  $\mu$  on M satisfying  $V\mu = 0$ , for any  $V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ .

On the other hand, in a warped product skew CR-submanifold  $M = M_1 \times_f M_\perp$  such that  $M_1 = M_T \times M_\theta$ , if dim  $M_T = 0$ , then the warped product skew CR-submanifold turns into a warped product pseudo-slant submanifold  $M = M_\theta \times_f M_\perp$  and the case has been considered in [2]. In this case, Theorem 4.1 of [2] is a special case of Theorem 5.3, by interchanging  $X_2$  by  $TX_2$  in the third relation of Theorem 5.3 as follows:

**Corollary 7.2.** (Theorem 4.1 [2]) Let M be a proper pseudo-slant submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$ . Then M is locally a mixed totally geodesic warped product submanifold if and only if

$$A_{\varphi Z} X_2 = 0 \text{ and } A_{FTX_2} Z = \cos^2 \theta \left( \eta(X_2) - (X_2 \mu) \right) Z$$
(74)

for any  $Z \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  and  $X_2 \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\theta} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle)$  for some smooth function  $\mu$  on M such that  $V(\mu) = 0$ , for any  $V \in \Gamma(\mathcal{D}^{\perp})$ .

Similarly, Theorem 3.1 of [3] is a special case of Theorem 6.1 as follows:

If we consider dim  $M_{\theta} = 0$  in Theorem 6.1, then the inequality (53) is true for contact CR-warped products which have been considered in [3].

**Corollary 7.3.** (Theorem 3.1 [3]) Let  $\tilde{M}$  be a (2n + 1)-dimensional Kenmotsu manifold and  $M = M_T \times_f M_\perp$  an *m*dimensional contact CR-warped product submanifold, such that  $M_T$  is a (2p + 1)-dimensional invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$  and  $M_\perp$  a s-dimensional anti-invariant submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ . Then

(i) The squared norm of the second fundamental form of M satisfies

$$\|h\|^{2} \ge 2s \left(\|\vec{\nabla}^{T} \ln f\|^{2} - 1\right)$$
(75)

where  $\vec{\nabla}^T \ln f$  is the gradient of  $\ln f$ .

(ii) If the equality sign of (75) holds identically, then  $M_T$  is a totally geodesic submanifold and  $M_{\perp}$  is a totally umbilical submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ . Moreover, M is a minimal submanifold of  $\tilde{M}$ .

On the other hand, if we consider dim  $M_T = 0$  in Theorem 6.2, then the warped product skew CRsubmanifold *M* turns to the warped product pseudo-slant submanifold  $M = M_\theta \times_f M_\perp$  and the inequality (72) generalise Theorem 5.1 of [2] as follows.

**Corollary 7.4.** (Theorem 5.1 [2]) Let  $M = M_{\theta} \times_f M_{\perp}$  be a mixed totally geodesic warped product pseudo-slant submanifold of a Kenmotsu manifold  $\tilde{M}$  such that  $M_{\theta}$  and  $M_{\perp}$  are proper slant and anti-invariant submanifolds of  $\tilde{M}$  with their real dimensions (2q + 1) and s, respectively. Then

(i) The squared norm of the second fundamental form h of M satisfies

$$\|h\|^{2} \ge s \cot^{2} \theta \left( \|\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f\|^{2} - 1 \right)$$
(76)

where  $\vec{\nabla}^{\theta} \ln f$  is gradient of the function  $\ln f$  along  $M_{\theta}$ .

(ii) If equality sign of (76) holds identically, then  $M_{\theta}$  is totally geodesic and  $M_{\perp}$  is totally umbilical in  $\tilde{M}$ .

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