



## Riemann Solitons on Almost Co-Kähler Manifolds

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**Abstract.** The aim of the present paper is to characterize almost co-Kähler manifolds whose metrics are the Riemann solitons. At first we provide a necessary and sufficient condition for the metric of a 3-dimensional manifold to be Riemann soliton. Next it is proved that if the metric of an almost co-Kähler manifold is a Riemann soliton with the soliton vector field  $\xi$ , then the manifold is flat. It is also shown that if the metric of a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold with  $\kappa < 0$  is a Riemann soliton, then the soliton is expanding and  $\kappa, \mu, \lambda$  satisfies a relation. We also prove that there does not exist gradient almost Riemann solitons on  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds with  $\kappa < 0$ . Finally, the existence of a Riemann soliton on a three dimensional almost co-Kähler manifold is ensured by a proper example.

### 1. Introduction

Udrište ([24], [25]) introduced the notion of Riemann flow. The Riemann flow is defined by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} G(t) = -2R(g(t)), \quad (1)$$

where  $G = \frac{1}{2}g \odot g$ ,  $R$  is the Riemann curvature tensor of type  $(0, 4)$  corresponding to the metric  $g$  and  $\odot$  denotes the Kulkarni-Nomizu product given by

$$\begin{aligned} (P \odot Q)(E, F, W, X) = & P(E, X)Q(F, W) + P(F, W)Q(E, X) \\ & - P(E, W)Q(F, X) - P(F, X)Q(E, W). \end{aligned}$$

In the same way as Ricci solitons, Riemann solitons were introduced by Hiričă and Udrište [16] which are the self-similar solution of Riemann flow. A Riemannian metric  $g$  on a smooth manifold  $M$  is said to be a Riemann soliton if there exists a smooth vector field  $Z$  and a real constant  $\lambda$  such that

$$2R + \lambda g \odot g + g \odot \mathcal{L}_Z g = 0, \quad (2)$$

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where  $\mathcal{L}_Z$  is the Lie derivative along the vector field  $Z$ . The vector field  $Z$  is known as potential vector field. We denote a Riemann soliton by  $(g, Z, \lambda)$ . When  $\lambda \in C^\infty(M)$ , then  $g$  is said to be an *almost Riemann soliton*. If  $Z$  is a Killing vector field, then  $M$  is a manifold of constant sectional curvature. Thus the Riemann soliton is the generalization of the space of constant curvature. The soliton will be called *expanding, steady or shrinking* according as  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\lambda < 0$ . When the vector field  $Z$  is a gradient of some smooth function  $u$ , then the Riemann soliton is called a *gradient Riemann soliton* and the equation (2) takes the form

$$R + \frac{\lambda}{2}g \odot g + g \odot \nabla^2 u = 0, \quad (3)$$

where  $\nabla^2 u$  is the Hessian of the function  $u$ . If  $\lambda$  is a smooth function in (3), then the metric  $g$  is called a *gradient almost Riemann soliton*. Using Kulkarni-Nomizu product, the equation (2) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} 2R(E, F, W, X) + 2\lambda\{g(E, X)g(F, W) - g(E, W)g(F, X)\} \\ + g(E, X)(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(F, W) + g(F, W)(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(E, X) \\ - g(E, W)(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(F, X) - g(F, X)(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(E, W) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

for all vector fields  $E, F, W, X$  on  $M$ . Contracting the equation (4), we lead

$$2S(F, W) + 2\{(m-1)\lambda + \operatorname{div}Z\}g(F, W) + (m-2)(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(F, W) = 0, \quad (5)$$

where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor,  $m \geq 3$  is the dimension of the manifold  $M$  and  $\operatorname{div}$  denotes the divergence operator. Contracting again the equation (5), we have

$$r + m(m-1)\lambda + (2m-2)\operatorname{div}Z = 0, \quad (6)$$

where  $r$  is the scalar curvature. From the foregoing equation, we can easily see that  $\operatorname{div}Z$  is constant if and only if  $r$  is constant.

In [16], Hiričă and Udriște studied Sasaki-Riemann soliton. They proved that, if the metric  $g$  of a Sasakian manifold  $M$  is a gradient Riemann soliton with potential function  $u$  as harmonic or a Riemann soliton with potential vector field  $Z$  is pointwise collinear to Reeb vector field  $\xi$ , then  $M$  is a Sasaki-space form. In [14], Venkatesha et al. proved some interesting results on Riemann soliton within the framework of contact geometry. They also studied Riemann solitons and almost Riemann solitons on almost Kenmotsu manifolds (cf.[26]).

The present paper is organized as follows: After introduction, in Section 2 we recall the definition and basic properties of almost co-Kähler manifolds and  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds. In the next section, we characterize a three-dimensional manifold whose metric is the Riemann soliton. In Sections 4 and 5, we prove some lemmas and theorems on Riemann soliton in almost co-Kähler manifolds and  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds. In the Section 6, we consider gradient almost Riemann solitons on  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds. Finally, we construct an example to verify our results.

## 2. Almost co-Kähler manifolds

A smooth manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension  $(2n+1)$  together with the triple  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi)$ , where  $\eta$  is a 1-form,  $\xi$  is a global vector field and  $\varphi$  is a  $(1,1)$ -tensor field, is said to be an almost contact manifold [2] if

$$\varphi^2 + \operatorname{id} = \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad (7)$$

where  $\operatorname{id}$  is the identity automorphism. From (7) we can obtain  $\varphi\xi = 0$  and  $\eta \circ \varphi = 0$ . An almost contact structure  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi)$  will be called normal if the almost complex structure  $J$  on the product manifold  $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$J\left(E, \gamma \frac{d}{dt}\right) = \left(\varphi E - \gamma \xi, \eta(E) \frac{d}{dt}\right)$$

for all vector field  $E$  on  $M^{2n+1}$  and  $\gamma \in C^\infty(M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R})$ , is integrable. According to Blair [2],  $[\varphi, \varphi] = -2d\eta \otimes \xi$  is the condition for normality of the almost contact structure  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi)$  and conversely, where  $[\varphi, \varphi]$  denotes the Nijenhuis tensor of  $\varphi$  defined by

$$[\varphi, \varphi](E, F) = \varphi^2[E, F] + [\varphi E, \varphi F] - \varphi[\varphi E, F] - \varphi[E, \varphi F]$$

for all vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ . If a Riemannian metric  $g$  on  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfies

$$g(E, F) = g(\varphi E, \varphi F) + \eta(E)\eta(F) \quad (8)$$

for all vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ , then the manifold together with  $(\eta, \xi, \varphi, g)$  is said to be an almost contact metric manifold and  $g$  is called compatible metric with respect to the almost contact structure. The fundamental 2-form  $\Phi$  on an almost contact metric manifold is defined by  $\Phi(E, F) = g(E, \varphi F)$  for all vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ .

An almost contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is said to be an almost co-Kähler manifold if both  $\eta$  and  $\Phi$  are closed i.e.,  $d\eta = 0$  and  $d\Phi = 0$ , where  $d$  denotes exterior derivative. In addition, if  $M^{2n+1}$  is normal, then the manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is called co-Kähler manifold. An (almost) co-Kähler manifold is nothing but an (almost) cosymplectic manifold defined by Blair [3] and studied by several authors (see [1], [4]-[8], [11]-[13], [17, 18] [23], [27]-[32]).

On any almost co-Kähler manifold, we can define an  $(1, 1)$ -tensor field  $h = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_\xi\varphi$ . According to [19], [20] and [22], it is known that  $h$  and  $h' (= h \circ \varphi)$  are symmetric tensors and satisfy

$$h\xi = 0, \quad h' = -\varphi h, \quad \text{tr } h = \text{tr } h' = 0, \quad (9)$$

$$\nabla_\xi \varphi = 0, \quad \nabla \xi = h', \quad (10)$$

$$\varphi \ell \varphi - \ell = 2h^2, \quad (11)$$

$$\nabla_\xi h = -h^2 \varphi - \varphi \ell, \quad (12)$$

$$S(\xi, \xi) + \text{tr } h^2 = 0, \quad (13)$$

where  $\ell = R(\cdot, \xi)\xi$  is the Jacobi operator along the Reeb vector field,  $\text{tr}$  denotes for trace and  $\nabla$  is the Riemannian connection with respect to the metric  $g$ . Using the second equation of (10), we see that  $(\mathcal{L}_\xi g)(E, F) = 2g(h'E, F)$  for all vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ . Thus,  $\xi$  is a Killing vector field if and only if  $h = 0$ .

A  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , introduced by Endo [15], is an almost co-Kähler manifold whose structure vector field  $\xi$  belongs to the  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -nullity distribution, i.e. the curvature tensor  $R$  satisfies

$$R(E, F)\xi = \kappa(\eta(F)E - \eta(E)F) + \mu(\eta(F)hE - \eta(E)hF) \quad (14)$$

for all vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$  and  $(\kappa, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Taking  $\xi$  instead of  $F$  in (14), we have  $\ell = -\kappa\varphi^2 + \mu h$ . Using this value of  $\ell$  in (11), it follows that

$$h^2 = \kappa\varphi^2. \quad (15)$$

From the above, it is easy to see that  $\kappa \leq 0$  and  $\kappa = 0$  if and only if  $M^{2n+1}$  is a  $K$ -almost co-Kähler manifold. In particular, if  $\mu = 0$  then the manifold is said to be  $N(\kappa)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold [9]. Any co-Kähler manifold satisfies (14) with  $\kappa = \mu = 0$ . Dacko and Olszak [10] defined almost co-Kähler  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -spaces. An almost co-Kähler manifold is said to be a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -space if the curvature tensor  $R$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} R(E, F)\xi &= \kappa(\eta(F)E - \eta(E)F) + \mu(\eta(F)hE - \eta(E)hF) \\ &\quad - \nu(\eta(F)h'E - \eta(E)h'F) \end{aligned}$$

for all vectors fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ .

In a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold the following relations hold [21]:

$$\nabla_\xi h = \mu h', \quad (16)$$

$$\nabla_\xi h^2 = 0, \quad (17)$$

$$\ell \varphi - \varphi \ell = 2\mu h'. \quad (18)$$

**Lemma 2.1.** [4] The Ricci operator  $Q$  of a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , is given by

$$Q = \mu h + 2n\kappa\eta \otimes \xi. \quad (19)$$

### 3. Riemann solitons on 3-dimensional manifolds

Suppose a metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of a 3-dimensional manifold  $M^3$  is a Riemann soliton. Then from the equation (5), we have

$$2S(F, W) + (4\lambda + 2 \operatorname{div} Z)g(F, W) + (\mathcal{E}_Z g)(F, W) = 0 \quad (20)$$

for all vector fields  $F, W$  on  $M^3$ . Tracing the previous equation, we have

$$\operatorname{div} Z = -\frac{r + 6\lambda}{4}. \quad (21)$$

Using this value of  $\operatorname{div} Z$  in (20), we obtain

$$2S(F, W) + \left(\lambda - \frac{r}{2}\right)g(F, W) + (\mathcal{E}_Z g)(F, W) = 0 \quad (22)$$

for all vector fields  $F, W$  on  $M^3$ .

Conversely, suppose the equation (22) is satisfied. It is well known that the curvature tensor  $R$  of any 3-dimensional manifold is given by

$$\begin{aligned} R(E, F)W = & S(F, W)E - S(E, W)F + g(F, W)QE - g(E, W)QF \\ & - \frac{r}{2}\{g(F, W)E - g(E, W)F\}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Taking inner product of (23) with  $X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2R(E, F, W, X) = & 2S(F, W)g(E, X) - 2S(E, W)g(F, X) \\ & + 2g(F, W)S(E, X) - 2g(E, W)S(F, X) \\ & - r\{g(F, W)g(E, X) - g(E, W)g(F, X)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Using (22) in the foregoing equation, we obtain the equation (4). Hence  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  is a Riemann soliton. Thus we obtain the following:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(M^3, g)$  be a three dimensional manifold. Then  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  is a Riemann soliton if and only if*

$$2S + \left(\lambda - \frac{r}{2}\right)g + \mathcal{E}_Z g = 0. \quad (24)$$

### 4. Riemann solitons on almost co-Kähler manifolds

Suppose the metric  $g$  of an almost co-Kähler manifold  $M$  is the Riemann soliton with the soliton vector field  $Z = f\xi$  and  $df \wedge \eta = 0$ .

The condition  $df \wedge \eta = 0$  implies  $Ef = (\xi f)\eta(E)$  for all vector field  $E$  on  $M$ . Taking covariant derivative of  $Z = f\xi$  along the vector field  $E$  and using the second equation of (10), we have

$$\nabla_E Z = (\xi f)\eta(E)\xi + fh'E,$$

which gives

$$(\mathcal{E}_Z g)(E, F) = g(\nabla_E Z, F) + g(E, \nabla_F Z) = 2(\xi f)\eta(E)\eta(F) + 2fg(h'E, F) \quad (25)$$

for all vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M$ .

By virtue of (25) and (4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & 2R(E, F, W, X) + 2\lambda\{g(E, X)g(F, W) - g(E, W)g(F, X)\} \\ & + g(E, X)\{2(\xi f)\eta(F)\eta(W) + 2fg(h'E, W)\} \\ & + g(F, W)\{2(\xi f)\eta(E)\eta(X) + 2fg(h'E, X)\} \\ & - g(E, W)\{2(\xi f)\eta(F)\eta(X) + 2fg(h'E, X)\} \\ & - g(F, X)\{2(\xi f)\eta(E)\eta(W) + 2fg(h'E, W)\} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

for all vector fields  $E, F, W, X$  on  $M$ . Taking  $\xi$  instead of  $W$  in (26), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & R(E, F, \xi, X) + (\lambda + \xi f)\{g(E, X)\eta(F) - g(F, X)\eta(E)\} \\ & + f\{g(h'E, X)\eta(F) - g(h'F, X)\eta(E)\} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Eliminating  $X$  in the previous equation, we infer

$$R(E, F)\xi = -(\lambda + \xi f)\{\eta(F)E - \eta(E)F\} + f\{\eta(F)\phi hE - \eta(E)\phi hF\}. \quad (27)$$

This implies that  $M$  is a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -space with  $\kappa = -(\lambda + \xi f)$ ,  $\mu = 0$  and  $\nu = f$ . Thus we can write the following:

**Lemma 4.1.** *If the metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of an almost co-Kähler manifold  $M$  is a Riemann soliton with the soliton vector field  $Z = f\xi$  and  $df \wedge \eta = 0$ , then  $M$  is a  $(\kappa, \mu, \nu)$ -space with  $\kappa = -(\lambda + \xi f)$ ,  $\mu = 0$  and  $\nu = f$ .*

Putting  $f = 1$  in (27), we have

$$R(E, F)\xi = -\lambda\{\eta(F)E - \eta(E)F\} + \{\eta(F)\phi hE - \eta(E)\phi hF\}, \quad (28)$$

which gives  $\ell = \lambda\varphi^2 + \phi h$ . Using this value of  $\ell$  in (11), it follows that

$$h^2 = -\lambda\varphi^2. \quad (29)$$

Taking covariant derivative of (29) and using first equation of (10), we lead

$$\nabla_{\xi} h^2 = 0. \quad (30)$$

Using  $\ell = \lambda\varphi^2 + \phi h$  and (29) in (12), we get

$$\nabla_{\xi} h = h. \quad (31)$$

Now

$$0 = (\nabla_{\xi} h^2)E = (\nabla_{\xi} h)hE + h((\nabla_{\xi} h)E) = 2h^2E = -2\lambda\varphi^2E$$

for all vector field  $E$  on  $M$ , which gives  $\lambda = 0$ . Since  $h$  is a symmetric tensor, from (29) we get  $h = 0$ . Consequently,  $(\mathcal{L}_{\xi}g)(E, F) = 0$ . From (4), we see that  $R(E, F)W = 0$  for all vector fields  $E, F, W$  on  $M$ . From the above discussion, we can state the following:

**Theorem 4.2.** *If the metric  $g$  of an almost co-Kähler manifold  $M$  is a Riemann soliton with the soliton vector field  $\xi$ , then  $M$  is flat.*

## 5. Riemann solitons on $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds

Suppose the metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension  $(2n + 1)$  is the Riemann soliton. The equation (5) can be written as

$$(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(F, W) = -\frac{2}{2n-1}S(F, W) - \frac{2}{2n-1}(2n\lambda + \text{div}Z)g(F, W) \quad (32)$$

for all vector fields  $F, W$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ . From (19) we have  $r = 2n\kappa = \text{constant}$ . Consequently,  $\text{div}Z$  is a constant. Taking covariant derivative of (32) along the arbitrary vector field  $E$ , we have

$$(\nabla_E \mathcal{L}_Z g)(F, W) = -\frac{2}{2n-1}(\nabla_E S)(F, W). \quad (33)$$

From Yano [33], we recall a well known formula

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla_E g - \nabla_E \mathcal{L}_Z g - \nabla_{[Z, E]} g)(F, W) \\ &= -g((\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, F), W) - g((\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, W), F). \end{aligned}$$

Using the symmetry property of  $\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla$  in the above formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2g((\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, F), W) &= (\nabla_E \mathcal{L}_Z g)(F, W) + (\nabla_F \mathcal{L}_Z g)(W, E) \\ &\quad - (\nabla_W \mathcal{L}_Z g)(E, F). \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Using (19) and (33) in (34), we lead

$$\begin{aligned} g((\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, F), W) &= \frac{1}{2n-1} [\mu g((\nabla_W h)E, F) - \mu g((\nabla_E h)F, W) \\ &\quad - \mu g((\nabla_F h)W, E) - 4n\kappa\eta(W)g(h'E, F)]. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Taking  $\xi$  instead of  $F$  in (35) and using (10) and (16), we obtain

$$g((\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, \xi), W) = \frac{1}{2n-1} [2\mu\kappa g(E, \varphi W) - \mu^2 g(h'E, W)],$$

which gives

$$(\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, \xi) = -\frac{1}{2n-1} (2\mu\kappa\varphi E + \mu^2 h'E). \quad (36)$$

Taking covariant derivative of (36) along the vector field  $F$ , we lead

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_F \mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, \xi) &= -\frac{1}{2n-1} (2\mu\kappa(\nabla_F \varphi)E + \mu^2(\nabla_F h')E) \\ &\quad - (\mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, h'F). \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Using the above equation in the formula [33]

$$(\mathcal{L}_Z R)(E, F)W = (\nabla_E \mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(F, W) - (\nabla_F \mathcal{L}_Z \nabla)(E, W),$$

we get

$$(\mathcal{L}_Z R)(E, \xi)\xi = \frac{2}{2n-1} (2\mu\kappa hE + \mu^2 \kappa \varphi^2 E) - \frac{\mu^3}{2n-1} hE, \quad (38)$$

where we have used (10), (15) and (16).

On the other hand taking Lie-derivative of  $R(E, \xi)\xi = \kappa\{E - \eta(E)\xi\} + \mu hE$  along  $Z$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_Z R)(E, \xi)\xi &= -\kappa(\mathcal{L}_Z \eta)E\xi - \kappa\eta(E)\mathcal{L}_Z \xi + \mu(\mathcal{L}_Z h)E \\ &\quad - R(E, \mathcal{L}_Z \xi)\xi - R(E, \xi)\mathcal{L}_Z \xi. \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

By virtue of (38) and (39) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2}{2n-1} (2\mu\kappa hE + \mu^2 \kappa \varphi^2 E) - \frac{\mu^3}{2n-1} hE \\ &= -\kappa(\mathcal{L}_Z \eta)E\xi - \kappa\eta(E)\mathcal{L}_Z \xi + \mu(\mathcal{L}_Z h)E - R(E, \mathcal{L}_Z \xi)\xi - R(E, \xi)\mathcal{L}_Z \xi. \end{aligned}$$

Contracting the previous equation with respect to the orthonormal basis  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n, \varphi e_1, \varphi e_2, \dots, \varphi e_n, \xi\}$ , where  $he_i = \sqrt{-\kappa}e_i$ , we get

$$S(\mathcal{E}_Z \xi, \xi) = \frac{2n}{2n-1} \mu^2 \kappa.$$

Utilizing (19) in the above equation, we lead

$$g(\mathcal{E}_Z \xi, \xi) = \frac{\mu^2}{2n-1}. \quad (40)$$

Putting  $F = W = \xi$  in (32) and using (40), we infer

$$\operatorname{div} Z = \mu^2 - 2n(\kappa + \lambda). \quad (41)$$

Contraction the equation (32), it follows that

$$2 \operatorname{div} Z = -\kappa - (2n+1)\lambda. \quad (42)$$

By virtue of (41) and (42), we get

$$\kappa = \frac{2\mu^2}{4n-1} - \frac{2n-1}{4n-1} \lambda.$$

Thus we are in a position to state the following:

**Theorem 5.1.** *If the metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  with  $\kappa < 0$  is a Riemann soliton, then  $\kappa$ ,  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  satisfy the relation*

$$\kappa = \frac{2\mu^2}{4n-1} - \frac{2n-1}{4n-1} \lambda. \quad (43)$$

Since  $\kappa < 0$ , from (43) we easily see that  $\lambda > 0$ . Hence, we can state that

**Corollary 5.2.** *If the metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  with  $\kappa < 0$  is a Riemann soliton, then the soliton is expanding.*

In particular, for  $\mu = 0$  we can state that the followings:

**Corollary 5.3.** *If the metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of a  $N(\kappa)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  with  $\kappa < 0$  is a Riemann soliton, then  $(4n-1)\kappa = -(2n-1)\lambda$ .*

**Corollary 5.4.** *If the metric  $(g, Z, \lambda)$  of a  $N(\kappa)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  with  $\kappa < 0$  is a Riemann soliton, then the soliton is expanding.*

## 6. Gradient almost Riemann solitons on $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds

In this section we consider a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  whose metric  $g$  is a gradient almost Riemann soliton. We need the following lemma before proving the main results.

**Lemma 6.1.** (Lemma 3.8 of [14]) *If the metric  $g$  of a Riemannian manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is a gradient almost Riemann soliton, then for any vector fields  $E, F$  on  $M^{2n+1}$  the curvature tensor  $R$  satisfies*

$$R(E, F)Du = \frac{1}{2n-1} \{(\nabla_F Q)E - (\nabla_E Q)F + F(2n\lambda + \Delta u)E - E(2n\lambda + \Delta u)F\}, \quad (44)$$

where  $D$  denotes the gradient operator and  $\Delta = \operatorname{div} D$ .

By virtue (10) and (19) the equation (44) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} R(E, F)Du &= \frac{1}{2n-1} \{ \mu(\nabla_F h)E - \mu(\nabla_E h)F \\ &+ 2n\kappa\eta(E)h'F - 2n\kappa\eta(F)h'E \\ &+ F(2n\lambda + \Delta u)E - E(2n\lambda + \Delta u)F \}. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

Balkan et al. [1] proved that in a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold the tensor field  $h$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_E h)F - (\nabla_F h)E &= \kappa(\eta(F)\varphi E - \eta(E)\varphi F + 2g(\varphi E, F)\xi) \\ &+ \mu(\eta(F)\varphi hE - \eta(E)\varphi hF). \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

Using (46) in (45), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R(E, F)Du &= \frac{1}{2n-1} \{ \mu\kappa(\eta(E)\varphi F - \eta(F)\varphi E + 2g(E, \varphi F)\xi) \\ &+ (\mu^2 - 2n\kappa)(\eta(F)h'E - \eta(E)h'F) \\ &+ F(2n\lambda + \Delta u)E - E(2n\lambda + \Delta u)F \}. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Taking inner product of the foregoing equation with  $\xi$  and using (14), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} &\kappa((Fu)\eta(E) - (Eu)\eta(F)) + \mu(g(hF, Du)\eta(E) - g(hE, Du)\eta(F)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2n-1} \{ 2\mu\kappa g(E, \varphi F) + F(2n\lambda + \Delta u)\eta(E) - E(2n\lambda + \Delta u)\eta(F) \}. \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

Replacing  $E$  and  $F$  by  $\varphi E$  and  $\varphi F$  respectively in (48), we infer

$$0 = \frac{2\mu\kappa}{2n-1} g(E, \varphi F),$$

which gives  $\mu = 0$ , since  $\kappa < 0$ .

Now letting  $E = \xi$  in (48) gives

$$\kappa((Fu) - (\xi u)\eta(F)) = \frac{1}{2n-1} \{ F(2n\lambda + \Delta u) - \xi(2n\lambda + \Delta u)\eta(F) \},$$

that is,

$$\frac{1}{2n-1} D(2n\lambda + \Delta u) = \kappa Du - \kappa\xi(u)\xi + \frac{1}{2n-1} \xi(2n\lambda + \Delta u)\xi. \quad (49)$$

On the other hand, by (9), contracting (47) with respect to  $E$  we find

$$S(F, Du) = \frac{2n}{2n-1} F(2n\lambda + \Delta u).$$

Recalling (19), we obtain

$$\frac{2n}{2n-1} D(2n\lambda + \Delta u) = QDu = 2n\kappa\xi(u)\xi.$$

Thus it follows from (49) that

$$2\kappa\xi(u)\xi = \kappa Du + \frac{1}{2n-1} \xi(2n\lambda + \Delta u)\xi.$$

From this we see  $Du = \xi(u)\xi$ . Differentiating this along  $E$  and using the second term of (10), we have

$$\nabla_E Du = E(\xi(u))\xi + \xi(u)h'E. \quad (50)$$



Since Equation (5) with  $Z = Du$  may be expressed as

$$\nabla_E Du = -\frac{1}{2n-1}QE - \frac{1}{2n-1}(2n\lambda + \Delta u)E,$$

inserting (50) into the previous relation yields

$$\frac{1}{2n-1}QE = -E(\xi(u))\xi - \xi(u)h'E - \frac{1}{2n-1}(2n\lambda + \Delta u)E.$$

Using (19) again in the above relation, we get

$$\frac{2n\kappa}{2n-1}\eta(E)\xi = -E(\xi(u))\xi - \xi(u)h'E - \frac{1}{2n-1}(2n\lambda + \Delta u)E. \quad (51)$$

Applying  $\varphi$  to act on this equation and taking the inner product with  $\varphi E$ , we have

$$-\xi(u)g(h'E, E) - \frac{1}{2n-1}(2n\lambda + \Delta u)g(\varphi E, \varphi E) = 0.$$

Because  $trh' = 0$ , the above formula shows  $2n\lambda + \Delta u = 0$  and  $\xi(u) = 0$ . Since  $Du = \xi(u)\xi$ ,  $u$  is a constant. Further, it implies from (51) that  $\kappa = 0$ , which is contradictory with  $\kappa < 0$ .

**Theorem 6.2.** *There does not exist gradient almost Riemann solitons on a  $(\kappa, \mu)$ -almost co-Kähler manifolds with  $\kappa < 0$ .*

## 7. Example

In this section we construct an example of an almost co-Kähler manifold whose metric is a Riemann soliton.

Let  $M^3 = \mathbb{R}^3(x, y, z)$ , where  $(x, y, z)$  are the standard coordinates of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $g$  be the Riemannian metric on  $M^3$  defined by

$$g = dx^2 + dy^2 + \frac{4(x^2 + y^2) + 1}{e^{2z}}dz^2 - 4ye^{-z}dx dz - 4xe^{-z}dy dz.$$

Let  $e_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$ ,  $e_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}$ ,  $e_3 = 2y\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + 2x\frac{\partial}{\partial y} + e^z\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ . Then  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $(M^3, g)$ . We have

$$[e_1, e_2] = 0, \quad [e_1, e_3] = 2e_2, \quad [e_2, e_3] = 2e_1.$$

Let the 1-form  $\eta$ , the vector field  $\xi$  and  $(1, 1)$ -tensor field  $\varphi$  are defined by

$$\eta = e^{-z}dz, \quad \xi = e_3, \quad \varphi e_1 = e_2, \quad \varphi e_2 = -e_1, \quad \varphi e_3 = 0.$$

The 2-form  $\Phi$  is given by

$$\Phi = -2dx \wedge dy - 4ye^{-z}dy \wedge dz - 4xe^{-z}dz \wedge dx.$$

Since  $d\eta = 0$  and  $d\Phi = 0$ ,  $M^3$  is an almost co-Kähler manifold.

The Riemannian connection  $\nabla$  is given by

$$\nabla_{e_1}e_1 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_1}e_2 = -2e_3, \quad \nabla_{e_1}e_3 = 2e_2,$$

$$\nabla_{e_2}e_1 = -2e_3, \quad \nabla_{e_2}e_2 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_2}e_3 = 2e_1,$$

$$\nabla_{e_3}e_1 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_3}e_2 = 0, \quad \nabla_{e_3}e_3 = 0.$$

The components of the Riemannian curvature tensor  $R$  are

$$R(e_1, e_2)e_1 = -4e_2, \quad R(e_1, e_2)e_2 = 4e_1, \quad R(e_1, e_2)e_3 = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(e_1, e_3)e_1 &= 4e_3, & R(e_1, e_3)e_2 &= 0, & R(e_1, e_3)e_3 &= -4e_1, \\ R(e_2, e_3)e_1 &= 0, & R(e_2, e_3)e_2 &= 4e_3, & R(e_2, e_3)e_3 &= -4e_2. \end{aligned}$$

Using the above expression of the curvature tensor  $R$ , it follows that

$$R(E, F)\xi = -4\{\eta(F)E - \eta(E)F\}$$

for all  $E, F \in \chi(M^3)$ . Hence  $M^3$  is a  $N(-4)$ -almost co-Kähler manifold. The expression of the curvature tensor  $R$  is

$$\begin{aligned} R(E, F)W &= 4\{g(F, W)E - g(E, W)F\} \\ &- 8\{\eta(F)\eta(W)E - \eta(E)\eta(W)F + g(F, W)\eta(E)\xi \\ &- g(E, W)\eta(F)\xi\} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

for all  $E, F, W \in \chi(M^3)$ . The components of of the Ricci tensor  $S$  are

$$\begin{aligned} S(e_1, e_1) &= S(e_2, e_2) = 0, & S(e_3, e_3) &= -8, \\ S(e_i, e_j) &= 0, & \text{where } i, j &= 1, 2, 3 \text{ and } i \neq j, \end{aligned}$$

which gives  $r = -8$ . Also we have

$$S(E, F) = -8\eta(E)\eta(F) \quad (53)$$

for all  $E, F \in \chi(M^3)$ .

Let  $Z = -8xe_1 - 8ye_2$  and  $\lambda = 12$ . By direct computations we obtain

$$(\mathcal{L}_Z g)(E, F) = -16g(E, F) + 16\eta(E)\eta(F), \quad (54)$$

which gives  $\text{div}Z = -16$ . From (52), and (54) we see that the equation (4) is satisfied. Hence  $g$  is a Riemann soliton. From (53) and (54), we lead

$$2S(E, F) + \left(\lambda - \frac{r}{2}\right)g(E, F) + (\mathcal{L}_Z g)(E, F) = 0$$

for all  $E, F \in \chi(M^3)$ . Thus Theorem 3.1 is verified. Also Corollaries 5.3 and 5.4 are verified.

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