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# $\eta$ -Ricci Solitons on Lorentzian Para-Sasakian Manifolds

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**Abstract.** We consider  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons on Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifolds satisfying certain curvature conditions:  $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  and  $S \cdot R(\xi, X) = 0$ . We prove that on a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , if the Ricci curvature satisfies one of the previous conditions, the existence of  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons implies that (M, g) is Einstein manifold. We also conclude that in these cases there is no Ricci soliton on M with the potential vector field  $\xi$ . On the other way, if M is of constant curvature, then (M, g) is elliptic manifold. Cases when the Ricci tensor satisfies different other conditions are also discussed.

## 1. Introduction

In the last years, the interest in studying Ricci solitons has considerably increased. Ricci solitons were introduced by R. S. Hamilton as natural generalizations of Einstein metrics [12] and have been studied in many contexts: on Kähler manifolds [8], on contact and Lorentzian manifolds [1], [6], [14], [20], [21], on Sasakian [10], [13],  $\alpha$ -Sasakian [14], trans-Sasakian [22] and *K*-contact manifolds [20], on Kenmotsu [2], [18] and *f*-Kenmotsu manifolds [6] etc. In paracontact geometry, Ricci solitons firstly appeared in the paper of G. Calvaruso and D. Perrone [4]. Recently, C. L. Bejan and M. Crasmareanu dealed with Ricci solitons on 3-dimensional normal paracontact manifolds [3].

A more general notion is that of  $\eta$ -*Ricci soliton* introduced by J. T. Cho and M. Kimura [7], which was treated by C. Călin and M. Crasmareanu on Hopf hypersurfaces in complex space forms [5].

In the present paper we consider  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons on Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifolds which satisfy certain curvature properties, in particular,  $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  and  $S \cdot R(\xi, X) = 0$ , respectively. Remark that in [18], H. G. Nagaraja and C. R. Premalatha have obtained some results on Ricci solitons satisfying conditions of the following type:  $R(\xi, X) \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ ,  $P(\xi, X) \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ ,  $H(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ ,  $\tilde{C}(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$  and in [2], C. S. Bagewadi, G. Ingalahalli and S. R. Ashoka treated the cases:  $R(\xi, X) \cdot B = 0$ ,  $B(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ ,  $S(\xi, X) \cdot R = 0$ ,  $R(\xi, X) \cdot \bar{P} = 0$  and  $\bar{P}(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ . We also prove that a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold of constant curvature supporting an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton is locally isometric to a sphere.

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# 2. Lorentzian Para-Sasakian Manifolds

Let *M* be an *n*-dimensional smooth manifold,  $\varphi$  a tensor field of (1, 1)-type,  $\xi$  a vector field,  $\eta$  a 1-form and *g* a Lorentzian metric on *M*.

**Definition 2.1.** [15] We say that  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on M if:

- 1.  $\varphi \xi = 0$ ,  $\eta \circ \varphi = 0$ ,
- 2.  $\eta(\xi) = -1$ ,  $\varphi^2 = I + \eta \otimes \xi$ ,
- 3.  $g(\varphi \cdot, \varphi \cdot) = g + \eta \otimes \eta$ ,
- 4.  $(\nabla_X \varphi)Y = g(X, Y)\xi + 2\eta(X)\eta(Y)\xi + \eta(Y)X$ , for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection associated to g.

From the definition it follows that  $\eta$  is the *g*-dual of  $\xi$ , i.e.:

 $\eta(X) = g(X,\xi),\tag{1}$ 

for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ ,  $\xi$  satisfies:

$$g(\xi,\xi) = -1 \tag{2}$$

and  $\varphi$  is a *g*-symmetric operator, i.e.:

$$g(\varphi X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y), \tag{3}$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Properties of this structure are given in the next proposition.

**Proposition 2.2.** On a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$ , for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , the following relations hold:

$$\nabla_X \xi = \varphi X \tag{4}$$

$$\eta(\nabla_X \xi) = 0, \quad \nabla_\xi \xi = 0, \tag{5}$$

$$R(X, Y)\xi = -\eta(X)Y + \eta(Y)X,$$
(6)  

$$\eta(R(X, Y)Z) = \eta(X)g(Y, Z) - \eta(Y)g(X, Z), \ \eta(R(X, Y)\xi) = 0,$$
(7)

$$(\nabla_X \eta) Y = (\nabla_Y \eta) X = g(\varphi X, Y), \ \nabla_{\xi} \eta = 0,$$
(8)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\varphi = 0, \ \mathcal{L}_{\xi}\eta = 0, \ \mathcal{L}_{\xi}g = 2g(\varphi, \cdot), \tag{9}$$

where R is the Riemann curvature tensor field and  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection associated to q.

*Proof.* The proof of the relations (4) - (8) can be found in [19].

Express now the Lie derivatives along  $\xi$  as follows:

$$(\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\varphi)(X) := [\xi, \varphi X] - \varphi([\xi, X]) = \nabla_{\xi}\varphi X - \nabla_{\varphi X}\xi - \varphi(\nabla_{\xi}X) + \varphi(\nabla_{X}\xi) = \nabla_{\xi}\varphi X - \varphi(\nabla_{\xi}X) := (\nabla_{\xi}\varphi)X = 0,$$
  
$$(\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\eta)(X) := \xi(\eta(X)) - \eta([\xi, X]) = \xi(g(X, \xi)) - g(\nabla_{\xi}X, \xi) + g(\nabla_{X}\xi, \xi) = g(X, \nabla_{\xi}\xi) + \eta(\nabla_{X}\xi) = 0$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{\xi}g)(X,Y) &:= \xi(g(X,Y)) - g([\xi,X],Y) - g(X,[\xi,Y]) = \xi(g(X,Y)) - g(\nabla_{\xi}X,Y) + g(\nabla_{X}\xi,Y) - g(X,\nabla_{\xi}Y) + g(X,\nabla_{Y}\xi) = \\ &= g(\nabla_{X}\xi,Y) + g(X,\nabla_{Y}\xi) = 2g(\varphi X,Y). \end{aligned}$$

From this proposition we get that the (0, 2)-tensor field:

$$\omega(X,Y) := g(X,\varphi Y),\tag{10}$$

is symmetric and satisfies:

$$\omega(\varphi X,Y) = \omega(X,\varphi Y), \ \omega(\varphi X,\varphi Y) = \omega(X,Y)$$

$$(\nabla_X \omega)(Y, Z) = \eta(Y)g(X, Z) + \eta(Z)g(X, Y) + 2\eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z),$$

for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

**Remark 2.3.** On a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  we deduce that: (*i*) The 1-form  $\eta$  is closed. Indeed, from  $\nabla_X \xi = \varphi X$  we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} (d\eta)(X,Y) &:= X(\eta(Y)) - Y(\eta(X)) - \eta([X,Y]) = X(g(Y,\xi)) - Y(g(X,\xi)) - g([X,Y],\xi) = \\ &= X(g(Y,\xi)) - g(\nabla_X Y,\xi) - Y(g(X,\xi)) + g(\nabla_Y X,\xi) = g(Y,\nabla_X \xi) - g(X,\nabla_Y \xi) = \\ &= g(Y,\varphi X) - g(X,\varphi Y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) The Nijenhuis tensor field associated to  $\varphi$ ,

$$N_{\varphi}(X,Y) := \varphi^{2}[X,Y] + [\varphi X,\varphi Y] - \varphi[\varphi X,Y] - \varphi[X,\varphi Y]$$

equals to:

$$N_{\varphi}(X,Y) = -\varphi[(\nabla_X \varphi)Y - (\nabla_Y \varphi)X] + (\nabla_{\varphi X} \varphi)Y - (\nabla_{\varphi Y} \varphi)X =$$
$$= -\varphi[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + \eta(Y)\varphi X - \eta(X)\varphi Y = 0.$$

Therefore, the structure is normal.

**Example 2.4.** [19] Let  $M = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3, z \neq 0\}$ , where (x, y, z) are the standard coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Consider the linearly independent system of vector fields

$$E_1 := e^z \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \ E_2 := e^z (\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}), \ E_3 := \frac{\partial}{\partial z}.$$

*Define the Lorentzian metric g by:* 

$$g(E_1, E_1) = g(E_2, E_2) = -g(E_3, E_3) = 1,$$

$$g(E_1, E_2) = g(E_2, E_3) = g(E_3, E_1) = 0$$

the vector field  $\xi$  and the 1-form  $\eta$  by:

$$\xi := E_3, \ \eta(X) := g(X, E_3),$$

for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , and the (1, 1)-tensor field  $\varphi$  by:

 $\varphi E_1 = -E_1, \ \varphi E_2 = -E_2, \ \varphi E_3 = 0.$ 

Using Koszul's formula for the Lorentzian metric g we obtain:

$$\nabla_{E_1}E_1 = -E_3$$
,  $\nabla_{E_1}E_2 = 0$ ,  $\nabla_{E_1}E_3 = -E_1$ ,  $\nabla_{E_2}E_1 = 0$ ,  $\nabla_{E_2}E_2 = -E_3$ ,

$$\nabla_{E_2}E_3 = -E_2$$
,  $\nabla_{E_3}E_1 = 0$ ,  $\nabla_{E_3}E_2 = 0$ ,  $\nabla_{E_3}E_3 = 0$ .

*In this case,*  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  *is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on M.* 

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### 3. Ricci and $\eta$ -Ricci Solitons on ( $M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g$ )

Let  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  be a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold. Consider the equation:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\xi}g + 2S + 2\lambda g + 2\mu\eta \otimes \eta = 0, \tag{11}$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_{\xi}$  is the Lie derivative operator along the vector field  $\xi$ , *S* is the Ricci tensor field of the metric *g*, and  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are real constants. Writing  $\mathcal{L}_{\xi}g$  in terms of the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$ , we obtain:

$$2S(X,Y) = -g(\nabla_X\xi,Y) - g(X,\nabla_Y\xi) - 2\lambda g(X,Y) - 2\mu\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(12)

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , or equivalent:

$$S(X,Y) = -g(\varphi X,Y) - \lambda g(X,Y) - \mu \eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(13)

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

The data  $(g, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  which satisfy the equation (11) is said to be an  $\eta$ -*Ricci soliton* on M [7]; in particular, if  $\mu = 0$ ,  $(g, \xi, \lambda)$  is a *Ricci soliton* [11] and it is called *shrinking*, *steady* or *expanding* according as  $\lambda$  is negative, zero or positive, respectively [9].

In [16] and [17] the authors proved that on a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold ( $M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g$ ), the Ricci tensor field satisfies:

$$S(X,\xi) = (\dim(M) - 1)\eta(X),$$
 (14)

$$S(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = S(X, Y) + (\dim(M) - 1)\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$
(15)

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . From (13) and (14) we obtain:

$$\mu - \lambda = n - 1. \tag{16}$$

**Example 3.1.** On the Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  considered in Example 2.4, the data  $(g, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  for  $\lambda = -1$  and  $\mu = 1$  defines an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton. Indeed, the Riemann and the Ricci curvature tensor fields are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} R(E_1, E_2)E_2 &= E_1, \ R(E_1, E_3)E_3 &= -E_1, \ R(E_2, E_1)E_1 &= E_2, \\ R(E_2, E_3)E_3 &= -E_2, \ R(E_3, E_1)E_1 &= E_3, \ R(E_3, E_2)E_2 &= E_3, \\ S(E_1, E_1) &= S(E_2, E_2) &= 2, \ S(E_3, E_3) &= -2. \end{aligned}$$

From (13) we obtain  $S(E_1, E_1) = 1 - \lambda$  and  $S(E_3, E_3) = \lambda - \mu$ , therefore  $\lambda = -1$  and  $\mu = 1$ .

The next theorems formulate results in the cases when the Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold is of constant curvature, has cyclic Ricci tensor (in particular, if the manifold is Ricci symmetric) or cyclic  $\eta$ -recurrent Ricci tensor.

Remark that if  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M and (M, g) is of constant curvature, then M is elliptic manifold. Indeed, suppose that R(X, Y)Z = k[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y], for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Applying  $\eta$  to this relation and using the Proposition 2.2 we obtain k = 1.

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  be a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M and let  $(g, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  be an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on M.

- 1. If the manifold (M, g) has cyclic Ricci tensor (i.e.  $(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) + (\nabla_Y S)(Z, X) + (\nabla_Z S)(X, Y) = 0$ , for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ ), then  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = -n$ .
- 2. If the manifold (M, g) has cyclic  $\eta$ -recurrent Ricci tensor (i.e.  $(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) + (\nabla_Y S)(Z, X) + (\nabla_Z S)(X, Y) = \eta(X)S(Y, Z) + \eta(Y)S(Z, X) + \eta(Z)S(X, Y)$ , for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ ), then  $\mu = -\frac{n+1}{2}$  and  $\lambda = -\frac{3n-1}{2}$ .

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*Proof.* 1. Replacing the expression of *S* from (13) in  $(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) := X(S(Y, Z)) - S(\nabla_X Y, Z) - S(Y, \nabla_X Z)$  we obtain:

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = -g((\nabla_X \varphi)Y, Z) - \mu[\eta(Y)(\nabla_X \eta)Z + \eta(Z)(\nabla_X \eta)Y]$$

and replacing  $\nabla \varphi$  and  $\nabla \eta$  we get:

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) = -\eta(Y)[g(X, Z) + \mu g(\varphi X, Z)] - \eta(Z)[g(X, Y) + \mu g(\varphi X, Y)] - 2\eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z).$$
(17)

Then:

$$(\nabla_X S)(Y, Z) + (\nabla_Y S)(Z, X) + (\nabla_Z S)(X, Y) =$$

 $= -2\{\eta(X)[g(Y,Z) + \mu g(\varphi Y,Z)] + \eta(Y)[g(Z,X) + \mu g(\varphi Z,X)] + \eta(Z)[g(X,Y) + \mu g(\varphi X,Y)] + 3\eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)\}.$ For  $Z := \xi$  we obtain:

$$\mu g(\varphi X, Y) + g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = 0$$

for any *X*, *Y*  $\in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and for *Y*  $\mapsto \varphi Y$  we get:

$$\mu g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) + g(\varphi X, Y) = 0,$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Adding the previous two relations we have:

$$(1+\mu)[g(\varphi X, Y) + g(\varphi X, \varphi Y)] = 0,$$

for any *X*,  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and follows  $\mu = -1$ . From the relation (16) we get  $\lambda = -n$ .

2. After a computation we get:

$$(1 + \lambda)[\eta(X)g(Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi Y,Z) + \eta(Y)g(\varphi Z,X) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi X,Y) + \eta(Z)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi X,Z) + \eta(X)g(\varphi X,X) + \eta(X)g(\varphi X,Y)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi X,Z) + \eta(X)g(\varphi X,X) + \eta(X)g(\varphi X,X)] + (1 + \mu)[\eta(X)g(\varphi X,X)]$$

 $+3(1+\mu)\eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)=0,$ 

for any *X*, *Y*, *Z*  $\in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . For *Y* :=  $\xi$  and *Z* :=  $\xi$  we obtain:

$$(2 - \lambda + 3\mu)\eta(X) = 0,$$

for any  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and follows  $2 - \lambda + 3\mu = 0$ . From the relation (16) we get  $\mu = -\frac{n+1}{2}$  and  $\lambda = -\frac{3n-1}{2}$ .

From Theorem 3.2 we deduce:

**Corollary 3.3.** On a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  having cyclic Ricci tensor or cyclic  $\eta$ -recurrent Ricci tensor, there is no Ricci soliton with the potential vector field  $\xi$ .

More particular cases as those from Theorem 3.2 are further considered.

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  be a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M and let  $(g, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  be an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on M.

- 1. If the manifold (M, g) is Ricci symmetric (i.e.  $\nabla S = 0$ ), then  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = -n$ .
- 2. If the Ricci tensor is  $\eta$ -recurrent (i.e.  $\nabla S = \eta \otimes S$ ), then  $\mu = \frac{n+3}{2}$  and  $\lambda = -\frac{n-5}{2}$ .

*Proof.* 1. If  $\nabla S = 0$ , taking  $Z := \xi$  in the expression of  $\nabla S$  from (17) we obtain:

$$\mu g(\varphi X, Y) + g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = 0,$$

for any *X*, *Y*  $\in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and as in the proof of Theorem 3.2 we get  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = -n$ .

2. If  $\nabla S = \eta \otimes S$ , from (17) we get:

 $-\eta(X)[\lambda g(Y,Z) + g(\varphi Y,Z)] + \eta(Y)[g(X,Z) + \mu g(\varphi X,Z)] + \eta(Z)[g(X,Y) + \mu g(\varphi X,Y)] + (2-\mu)\eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z) = 0,$ 

for any *X*, *Y*, *Z*  $\in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . For *X* :=  $\xi$ , *Y* :=  $\xi$  and *Z* :=  $\xi$  we obtain  $\lambda + \mu - 4 = 0$ . From the relation (16) we get  $\mu = \frac{n+3}{2}$  and  $\lambda = -\frac{n-5}{2}$ .

From Proposition 3.4 we deduce:

**Corollary 3.5.** If a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is Ricci symmetric or has  $\eta$ -recurrent Ricci tensor, then on M there is no Ricci soliton with the potential vector field  $\xi$ .

In what follows we shall consider  $\eta$ -Ricci solitons requiring for the curvature to satisfy  $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ and  $S \cdot R(\xi, X) = 0$ , respectively.

**Theorem 3.6.** If  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M,  $(g, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  is an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on M and  $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , then  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = -n$ .

*Proof.* The condition that must be satisfied by *S* is:

$$S(R(\xi, X)Y, Z) + S(Y, R(\xi, X)Z) = 0,$$
(18)

for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Replacing the expression of *S* from (13) and from the symmetries of *R* we get:

$$g(\eta(Y)Z + \eta(Z)Y,\varphi X) + \mu[\eta(Y)g(X,Z) + \eta(Z)g(X,Y) + 2\eta(X)\eta(Y)\eta(Z)] = 0,$$
(19)

for any  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . For  $Z := \xi$  we have:

$$g(\varphi X, Y) + \mu[g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)] = 0,$$
(20)

for any *X*, *Y*  $\in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , which is equivalent to:

$$g(\varphi X, Y) + \mu g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = 0, \tag{21}$$

and for  $Y \mapsto \varphi Y$  we get:

$$g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) + \mu g(\varphi X, Y) = 0,$$

for any *X*, *Y*  $\in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Adding the previous two relations we have:

 $(1+\mu)[g(\varphi X,Y)+g(\varphi X,\varphi Y)]=0,$ 

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and follows  $\mu = -1$ . From the relation (16) we get  $\lambda = -n$ .  $\Box$ 

From Theorem 3.6 we deduce:

**Corollary 3.7.** On a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  satisfying  $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , there is no Ricci soliton with the potential vector field  $\xi$ .

From the relations (13), (16) and (20) we obtain:

$$S = (\mu - \lambda)g = (n - 1)g.$$
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Therefore:

**Proposition 3.8.** If  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, q)$  is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M,  $(q, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  is an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on M and  $R(\xi, X) \cdot S = 0$ , then (M, g) is Einstein manifold.

**Theorem 3.9.** If  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, q)$  is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M,  $(q, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  is an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on *M* and  $S(\xi, X) \cdot R = 0$ , then  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = -n$ .

*Proof.* The condition that must be satisfied by *S* is:

 $S(X, R(Y, Z)W)\xi - S(\xi, R(Y, Z)W)X + S(X, Y)R(\xi, Z)W - S(\xi, Y)R(X, Z)W + S(X, Z)R(Y, \xi)W - S(\xi, Z)R(Y, X)W + S(X, Z)R(Y, \xi)W - S(\xi, Z)R(Y, X)W + S(X, Z)R(Y, Z)W)K + S(X, Z)R(Y, Z)W - S(\xi, Z)R(Y, Z)W + S(X, Z)W + S($ 

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

for any  $X, Y, Z, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Taking the inner product with  $\xi$ , the relation (23) becomes:

 $S(X, R(Y, Z)W) - S(\xi, R(Y, Z)W)\eta(X) + S(X, Y)\eta(R(\xi, Z)W) - S(\xi, Y)\eta(R(X, Z)W) + S(X, Z)\eta(R(Y, \xi)W) - S(\xi, Y)\eta(R(Y, \xi)W) - S(\xi, Y)\eta(R($ 

$$-S(\xi, Z)\eta(R(Y, X)W) + S(X, W)\eta(R(Y, Z)\xi) - S(\xi, W)\eta(R(Y, Z)X) = 0,$$
(24)

for any X, Y, Z,  $W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .

Replacing the expression of S from (13), we get:

 $2(\lambda - \mu)\eta(X)[\eta(Y)q(Z, W) - \eta(Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[q(X, Y)q(Z, W) - q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[\eta(X)q(X, Y) - \eta(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y) - \eta(Y)q(X, Z)] + \lambda[\eta(X)q(X, Y) - \eta(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y)q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Z)q(Y, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y)q(X, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, Y)q(X, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, W)q(X, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, W)q(X, W)q(X, W)] + \mu\eta(W)[\eta(Z)q(X, W)q(X, W)q$ 

$$+g(\varphi X, Z)[\eta(Y)\eta(W) + g(Y, W)] + g(\varphi X, Y)[\eta(Z)\eta(W) + g(Z, W)] - g(\lambda X + \varphi X, R(Y, Z)W) = 0,$$
(25)

for any  $X, Y, Z, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . For  $Z := \xi$  and  $W := \xi$  we have:

$$g(\varphi X, Y) + \mu[g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y)] = 0,$$
(26)

for any *X*,  $Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and as in the proof of Theorem 3.6 we obtain  $\mu = -1$  and  $\lambda = -n$ .

From Theorem 3.9 we deduce:

**Corollary 3.10.** On a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M, \varphi, \xi, \eta, q)$  satisfying  $S(\xi, X) \cdot R = 0$ , there is no Ricci soliton with the potential vector field  $\xi$ .

From the relations (13), (16) and (26) we obtain:

$$S = (\mu - \lambda)q = (n - 1)q. \tag{27}$$

Therefore:

**Proposition 3.11.** If  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is a Lorentzian para-Sasakian structure on the manifold M,  $(g, \xi, \lambda, \mu)$  is an  $\eta$ -Ricci soliton on M and  $S(\xi, X) \cdot R = 0$ , then (M, g) is Einstein manifold.

As a final remark concerning the existence of Ricci solitons on a Lorentzian para-Sasakian manifold  $(M^n, \varphi, \xi, \eta, q)$ , we conclude that there is but one Ricci soliton given for  $\lambda = -n + 1$ .

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