

## On contact CR-warped product submanifolds of a quasi-Sasakian manifold

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*Dedicated to Professor Lajos Tamássy on his 90th birthday*

**Abstract.** In the present paper we study contact CR-warped product submanifolds of a quasi-Sasakian manifold. We obtain a necessary and sufficient condition for a contact CR-submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold to be a contact CR-product or a contact CR-warped product submanifold. We estimate the squared norm of the second fundamental form in terms of the warping function. Equality cases are also investigated. As a particular case, we obtain some further results for Sasakian manifolds.

### 1. Introduction

The notion of warped product manifold was introduced by BISHOP and O'NEILL in 1969 [5] for studying manifolds of negative curvature. Given two Riemannian manifolds  $(M_1, g_1)$  and  $(M_2, g_2)$  and a positive function  $f$  on  $M_1$ , on the product manifold  $M_1 \times M_2$  the metric tensor  $g := g_1 + f^2 g_2$  is said to be a warped metric, and we call  $(M_1 \times M_2, g)$  a warped product Riemannian manifold with warping function  $f$ . We also denote  $(M_1 \times M_2, g)$  by  $M_1 \times_f M_2$ .

Bejancu introduced the notion of CR-submanifolds of a Kaehler manifold [3]. Let  $M$  be a submanifold of a complex manifold  $\bar{M}$ , and suppose  $TM$  denotes the tangent bundle, and  $T^\perp M$  denotes the normal bundle of  $M$ .  $M$  is said to be

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a CR-submanifold of  $\bar{M}$  if and only if there exist two distributions  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  such that  $TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^\perp$ ,  $J\mathcal{D} \subset TM$  and  $J\mathcal{D}^\perp \subset T^\perp M$ , where  $J$  is the complex structure of  $\bar{M}$ . Chen defined and studied the geometry of warped product CR-submanifolds in Kaehler manifolds ([14], [15], [16] [17]). Gaining inspiration from his results, many mathematicians extended their studies to different special cases of almost complex manifolds, as to nearly Kaehler manifolds ([25]), locally conformal Kaehler manifolds ([10], [26]), etc. We also mention here that the para-Kaehler version of CR-warped products in para-Kaehler manifolds (PR-warped products) was introduced and studied very recently by CHEN and MUNTEANU in [19].

In contact geometry the concept of a contact CR-submanifold was introduced by BEJANCU and PAPAGHIUC [4]. A submanifold  $M$  of a contact manifold  $(\bar{M}, \phi, \xi, \eta)$  is said to be a contact CR-submanifold of type  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^\perp)$  if there exist distributions  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  and  $\langle \xi \rangle$ , such that  $TM = \mathcal{D} \oplus \mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ ,  $\phi\mathcal{D} \subset TM$  and  $\phi\mathcal{D}^\perp \subset T^\perp M$ . Later the studies of warped product CR-submanifolds in Kaehler manifolds were also extended to the case of contact geometry. Contact CR-warped product submanifolds of Sasakian manifolds were studied by HASEGAWA and MIHAI [22], MIHAI [27] and MUNTEANU [28], etc. Contact CR-warped product submanifolds of Kenmotsu space forms were studied by ARSLAN, EZENTAS, MIHAI and MURATHAN [2], and recently OZGUR and SULAR [29] studied contact CR-warped product submanifolds of a generalized Sasakian space form, and obtained many good results.

On the other hand, the notion of quasi-Sasakian structure was introduced by D. E. BLAIR [7] to unify Sasakian and cosymplectic structures. Also TANNO [30] obtained some results on quasi-Sasakian structures. A necessary and sufficient condition for an almost contact metric manifold to be quasi-Sasakian was given by KANEMAKI [24]. Contact CR-submanifolds of quasi-Sasakian manifolds were studied intensively and successfully by Calin ([11], [12], [13]). Recently quasi-Sasakian manifolds became the subject of growing interest, and gained significant applications to physics, in particular, to super gravity and magnetic theory [1]. Quasi-Sasakian structures have a wide range of applications in the mathematical analysis of string theory [21]. Motivated by these applications, in the present paper we study contact CR-warped product submanifolds of quasi-Sasakian manifolds.

The paper is organized as follows:

After Preliminaries, in Section 3 we study warped product submanifolds of a quasi-Sasakian manifold. Among other results, we prove that under certain conditions a contact CR-submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold reduces to a contact

CR-warped product. Finally, in Section 4, we establish an inequality between the squared norm of the second fundamental form and the warping function. As a corollary, we obtain some results for the Sasakian case.

### 2. Preliminaries

An  $n$ -dimensional manifold  $M^n$  is said to admit an almost contact structure ([6], [8], [31]) if it admits a tensor field  $\phi$  of type  $(1, 1)$ , a vector field  $\xi$  and a 1-form  $\eta$  satisfying

$$\phi^2 X = -X + \eta(X)\xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \tag{2.1}$$

$$\phi\xi = 0, \quad \eta(\phi X) = 0. \tag{2.2}$$

An almost contact structure is said to be normal if the induced almost complex structure  $J$  on the product manifold  $M^n \times \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$J \left( X, f \frac{d}{dt} \right) = \left( \phi X - f\xi, \eta(X) \frac{d}{dt} \right)$$

is integrable, where  $X$  is tangent to  $M^n$ ,  $t$  is the coordinate of  $\mathbb{R}$ , and  $f$  is a smooth function on  $M^n \times \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $g$  be the compatible Riemannian metric with almost contact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$ , that is,

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y). \tag{2.3}$$

Then  $M^n$  becomes an almost contact metric manifold equipped with an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$ . From (2.3) it can be easily seen that

$$g(X, \phi Y) = -g(\phi X, Y), \quad g(X, \xi) = \eta(X), \tag{2.4}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y$  on the manifold. In an almost contact metric structure we define the fundamental 2-form by  $\Phi(X, Y) := g(X, \phi Y)$ . An almost contact metric structure becomes a contact metric structure if  $\Phi(X, Y) = d\eta(X, Y)$ , for all vector fields  $X, Y$ .

An almost contact metric structure is said to be quasi-Sasakian if the almost contact structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta)$  is normal, and the fundamental 2-form  $\Phi$  is closed, that is  $d\Phi = 0$ . This was first introduced by BLAIR [7]. Kanemaki proved ([24]) that a necessary and sufficient condition for an almost contact metric manifold  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  to be quasi-Sasakian is that there exists a symmetric linear transformation field  $F$ , such that

$$(\nabla_X \phi)Y = \eta(Y)FX - g(FX, Y)\xi, \quad F\phi X = \phi FX,$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  of  $M$  with respect to the Riemannian connection  $\nabla$  of the metric  $g$ . It can be easily checked that for all vector fields  $X$  in a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $M$

$$\nabla_X \xi = \phi FX, \quad F\xi = \eta(F\xi)\xi.$$

Let  $i : (M, g) \rightarrow (\bar{M}, g)$  be an isometric immersion. We denote by  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  the Levi-Civita connections of  $M$  and  $\bar{M}$  respectively, and by  $T^\perp M$  the normal bundle of  $M$ . Then for any vector fields  $X, Y \in TM$  and normal vector field  $N \in T^\perp M$  the second fundamental form  $h$  and the Weingarten map  $A_N$  are given by the Gauss and Weingarten formulas:

$$h(X, Y) = \bar{\nabla}_X Y - \nabla_X Y, \quad (2.5)$$

$$A_N X = \nabla_X^\perp N - \bar{\nabla}_X N, \quad (2.6)$$

where  $\nabla^\perp$  denotes the normal connection of  $M$ . The second fundamental form  $h$  and  $A_N$  are related by  $g(h(X, Y), N) = g(A_N X, Y)$ . We say that  $M$  is totally umbilical if  $h(X, Y) = g(X, Y)H$ , where  $H$  is the mean curvature defined by  $H = \sum_{i=1}^n h(e_i, e_i)$  for some basis  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  of  $TM$ .  $M$  is said to be totally geodesic if  $h(X, Y) = 0$ , and minimal if  $H = 0$ .

Now let  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$  be a submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ . We say that  $M$  is a CR-warped product submanifold of  $\bar{M}$  if and only if either  $M_1$  is invariant and  $M_2$  is anti-invariant, or  $M_2$  is invariant and  $M_1$  is anti-invariant.

### 3. Warped product submanifolds

In this section we investigate warped products  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$ , which are contact CR-submanifolds of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ . By definition such submanifolds are always tangent to  $\xi$ . Similarly to Hasegawa and Mihai, here we also distinguish only two cases:

- (a)  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ ;
- (b)  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_2$ .

For a warped product Riemannian manifold  $M_1 \times_f M_2 = (M_1 \times M_2, g = g_1 + f^2 g_2)$  we recall the following well-known identity [5]:

$$\nabla_X Z = \nabla_Z X = (X \ln f)Z, \quad (3.1)$$

for any  $X \in TM_1, Z \in TM_2$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *If  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$  is a warped product submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$  such that  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_2$ , then it becomes a Riemannian product submanifold.*

PROOF. Suppose  $\xi \in TM_2$ . In (3.1), putting  $Z = \xi$ , we obtain

$$\nabla_X \xi = (X \ln f)\xi. \tag{3.2}$$

Now,

$$\phi FX = \bar{\nabla}_X \xi = \nabla_X \xi + h(X, \xi) = (X \ln f)\xi + h(X, \xi). \tag{3.3}$$

Since,  $g(\phi FX, \xi) = -g(FX, \phi\xi) = 0$ , and  $g(h(X, \xi), \xi) = 0$ , from (3.3) we obtain  $X \ln f = 0, \forall X \in TM_1$ .

Hence,  $f$  is constant, and the warped product is nothing, but simply a Riemannian product.  $\square$

So, for studying a proper contact CR-warped product submanifold we only need to consider the case a) where  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ . We have two subcases:

- (i)  $M_1$  is invariant,  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ , and  $M_2$  is anti-invariant,
- (ii)  $M_1$  is anti-invariant,  $\xi$  is tangent to  $M_1$ , and  $M_2$  is invariant.

For the case (ii) we have the following theorem in a more general setting:

**Theorem 3.1.** *If  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$  is a warped product contact CR-submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , such that  $\xi \in TM_1$ , and  $M_2$  is invariant, then  $f$  is constant, that is,  $M$  is a CR-product.*

PROOF. For  $X \in TM_2, Z \in TM_1$  we have,

$$\nabla_X Z = \nabla_Z X = (Z \ln f)X. \tag{3.4}$$

Putting  $Z = \xi$  in (3.4), we obtain

$$\nabla_X \xi = (\xi \ln f)X. \tag{3.5}$$

Since  $\bar{M}$  is quasi-Sasakian, we have

$$\phi FX = \bar{\nabla}_X \xi = \nabla_X \xi + h(X, \xi) = (\xi \ln f)X + h(X, \xi), \quad [\text{from (3.5)}], \tag{3.6}$$

which implies

$$g(\phi FX, X) = (\xi \ln f)g(X, X), \quad \text{for all } X \in TM_2. \tag{3.7}$$

But  $g(\phi FX, X) = 0$ , since  $F$  is symmetric and  $F\phi = \phi F$ , which, together with (3.7), gives

$$\xi \ln f = 0. \tag{3.8}$$

Let  $h^T$  be the second fundamental form of  $M_2$  in  $M$ . Then for  $X, Y \in TM_2$  and  $Z \in TM_1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(h^T(X, Y), Z) &= g(\nabla_X Y, Z) = -g(Y, \nabla_X Z) \\ &= -g(Y, (Z \ln f)X) = -(Z \ln f)g(X, Y). \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

Let  $\hat{h}$  be the second fundamental form of the immersion of  $M_2$  in  $\bar{M}$ , and let  $\nabla^T$  be the Levi-Civita connection in  $M_2$  induced from  $\bar{\nabla}$ . Then,

$$\hat{h}(X, Y) = h(X, Y) + h^T(X, Y). \quad (3.10)$$

So,

$$g(\hat{h}(X, Y), Z) = g(h^T(X, Y), Z) = -(Z \ln f)g(X, Y). \quad (3.11)$$

Since  $M_2$  is an invariant submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ , we have

$$\bar{\nabla}_X \phi Y = \nabla_X^T \phi Y + \hat{h}(X, \phi Y). \quad (3.12)$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_X^T \phi Y + \hat{h}(X, \phi Y) &= (\bar{\nabla}_X \phi)Y + \phi \bar{\nabla}_X Y \\ &= \eta(Y)FX - g(FX, Y)\xi + \phi(\nabla_X^T Y) + \phi \hat{h}(X, Y) \\ &= -g(FX, Y)\xi + \phi(\nabla_X^T Y) + \phi \hat{h}(X, Y). \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

Since  $M_2$  is invariant, from (3.13) we obtain,

$$\hat{h}(X, \phi Y) = \phi \hat{h}(X, Y) - g(FX, Y)\xi. \quad (3.14)$$

Now, for  $Z \perp \langle \xi \rangle$  we have from (3.11)

$$\begin{aligned} -(Z \ln f)g(\phi X, \phi X) &= g(\hat{h}(\phi X, \phi X), Z) = g(\phi \hat{h}(\phi X, X) - g(F\phi X, X)\xi, Z) \\ &= g(\phi \hat{h}(\phi X, X), Z) = g(\phi(\phi \hat{h}(X, X) - g(FX, X)\xi), Z) \\ &= g(\phi^2 \hat{h}(X, X), Z) = g(-\hat{h}(X, X), Z) = (Z \ln f)g(X, X), \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$(Z \ln f)g(X, X) = 0, \quad \text{for all } X \in TM_2. \quad (3.15)$$

Hence,

$$Z \ln f = 0, \quad \text{for any vector field } Z \perp \langle \xi \rangle \text{ in } TM_1. \quad (3.16)$$

This, together with (3.8), gives us

$$V \ln f = 0, \quad \text{for all } V \in TM_1. \quad (3.17)$$

Hence  $f$  is constant.  $\square$

If  $TM$  is invariant under  $F$ , then from the above theorem we obtain

$$\phi FX = F\phi X \in TM \tag{3.18}$$

for all  $X \in TM_2$ . Now,

$$\phi FX = \bar{\nabla}_X \xi = \nabla_X \xi + h(X, \xi) = (\xi \ln f)X + h(X, \xi) = h(X, \xi), \tag{3.19}$$

which implies

$$\phi FX = 0 = h(X, \xi), \quad \text{for all } X \in TM_2. \tag{3.20}$$

So, for all  $X \in TM_2$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \phi^2 FX = -FX + g(FX, \xi)\xi = -FX + g(X, F\xi)\xi \\ &= -FX + g(X, \eta(F\xi)\xi)\xi = -FX. \end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

So, if  $F|_{TM_2}$  is injective, then we obtain:

**Corollary 3.1.** *There does not exist any warped product submanifold  $M = M_1 \times_f M_2$  of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , such that  $\xi \in TM_1$ , and  $M_2$  is an invariant submanifold, provided,  $TM$  is invariant under  $F$ , and  $F|_{TM_2}$  is injective.*

In the Sasakian case  $F = Id$ , and then from Corollary 3.1 we obtain the theorem of HASEGAWA and MIHAI [22]:

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\bar{M}$  be a  $2m + 1$ -dimensional Sasakian manifold. Then there do not exist warped product submanifolds  $M_1 \times_f M_2$  such that  $M_1$  is an anti-invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$ , and  $M_2$  is an invariant submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ .*

The warped product submanifolds  $M_1 \times_f M_2$  are called of type  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$  if  $M_1$  is an anti-invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$ , and  $M_2$  is an invariant submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ . From Theorem 3.1 we also have that a contact  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$  CR-warped product must be a CR-product. But, when is a contact CR-submanifold, even locally, a contact CR-product of type  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$ ? From the Theorems 1.1 and 1.4 in [13] of CALIN, and from the well-known de Rham's decomposition theorem we obtain the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.3.** *A contact CR-submanifold  $M$  of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$  is locally a contact CR-product of type  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$  if and only if*

$$A_{\phi Z} X = 0,$$

for all  $X \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp$ , and

$$F\mathcal{D} \perp \mathcal{D}.$$

PROOF. If a contact CR-submanifold  $M$  of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$  is locally a contact  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$  CR-product, then the distributions  $\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{D}$  are integrable, and their leaves are totally geodesic in  $M$ . From Theorems 1.1

and 1.4 of [13] we have  $h(X, U) \in \nu$ , and  $F\mathcal{D} \perp \mathcal{D}$  for all  $X \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $U \in TM$ , where  $\nu$  is the orthogonal complement of  $\phi(\mathcal{D})$  in  $T^\perp M$ . From this it follows that  $A_{\phi Z}X = 0$  and  $F\mathcal{D} \perp \mathcal{D}$ .

Conversely, if  $M$  is a contact CR-submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , and  $A_{\phi Z}X = 0$ , for all  $X \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp$ , and  $F\mathcal{D} \perp \mathcal{D}$ , then from  $A_{\phi Z}X = 0$  we have  $g(h(X, Y), \phi Z) = 0$  for any  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp$ . Therefore  $h(X, Y) \in \nu$  for all  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}$ . From Theorem 1.1 in [13] it follows that the distribution  $\mathcal{D}$  is integrable, and its leaves are totally geodesic. On the other hand, from  $A_{\phi Z}X = 0$  we also have  $h(X, V) \in \nu$  for all  $X \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $V \in \mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ . From Theorem 1.4 in [13] we have that the distribution  $\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  is integrable, and its leaves are totally geodesic. Thus,  $M$  is locally a contact  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$  CR-product according to the de Rham's decomposition theorem.  $\square$

In the case of a Sasakian manifold  $F = Id$ . Then the condition  $F\mathcal{D} \perp \mathcal{D}$  is never satisfied. From the above theorem we have the weaker form of Theorem 3.2.

**Theorem 3.4.** *In a Sasakian manifold, there exists no contact CR-product submanifold of type  $(\mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D})$*

Now we consider the case of a contact CR-submanifold of type  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^\perp)$  in a quasi-Sasakian manifold.

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $M$  be a contact CR-submanifold of type  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^\perp)$  in a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ . Then  $M$  is locally a contact CR-warped product of type  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^\perp)$  if and only if*

$$F\mathcal{D}^\perp \perp \phi\mathcal{D}^\perp$$

and

$$A_{\phi Z}X = (\phi X \mu)Z, \quad \text{for } X \in \mathcal{D}, Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp,$$

for some  $C^\infty$  function  $\mu$  on  $M$  satisfying  $W\mu = 0$ , for all  $W \in \mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ .

PROOF. Suppose  $M$  is a contact  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^\perp)$  CR-warped product of the form  $M = N_\top \times_f N_\perp$ . Then  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  is integrable, and its leaves are totally geodesic in  $M$ . Thus we have from Theorem 1.2 of [13] that

$$g(h(X, Y), \phi Z) = 0, \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathcal{D}, Y \in \mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp,$$

which implies

$$g(A_{\phi Z}X, Y) = 0. \tag{3.22}$$

Let  $X = \phi Y$ ,  $X, Y \in \mathcal{D}$ . Then for all  $V \in \mathcal{D}^\perp$  we have,

$$g(A_{\phi Z}X, V) = g(h(X, V), \phi Z) = g(h(\phi Y, V), \phi Z) = g(\bar{\nabla}_V \phi Y, \phi Z)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= g((\bar{\nabla}_V \phi)Y + \phi(\bar{\nabla}_V Y), \phi Z) = g(\phi(\bar{\nabla}_V Y), \phi Z) = g(\bar{\nabla}_V Y, Z) \\ &= g(\nabla_V Y, Z) = g((Y \ln f)V, Z) = -(\phi X \ln f)g(Z, V). \end{aligned} \quad (3.23)$$

Here we have used  $g((\bar{\nabla}_V \phi)Y, \phi Z) = g(\eta(Y)FX - g(FX, Y)\xi, \phi Z) = 0$  and  $g(h(V, Y), Z) = 0$ .

From (3.22) and (3.23) we get

$$A_{\phi Z}X = -(\phi X \ln f)Z, \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathcal{D}, Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp.$$

On the other hand  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  is also integrable, so from Theorem 1.1 of [12] we obtain

$$F\mathcal{D}^\perp \perp \phi\mathcal{D}^\perp.$$

Let  $\mu = -\ln f$ . Then,  $W\mu = -\frac{Wf}{f} = 0$ , for all  $W \in \mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  since  $f$  is a function on  $N_\top$ , and from the proof of Theorem 3.1 it is easy to see that  $\xi(\ln f) = 0$ .

Conversely, let  $M$  be a contact  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^\perp)$  CR-submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , such that

$$F\mathcal{D}^\perp \perp \phi\mathcal{D}^\perp$$

and

$$A_{\phi Z}X = (\phi X \mu)Z, \quad \text{for } X \in \mathcal{D}, Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp,$$

for some  $C^\infty$  function  $\mu$  on  $M$  satisfying  $W\mu = 0$  for all  $W \in \mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ .

We have to prove that

$$M = N_\top \times_f N_\perp, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}(N_\top).$$

From  $A_{\phi Z}X = \phi X(\mu)Z$ , for  $X \in \mathcal{D}, Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp$  we have  $g(A_{\phi Z}X, Y) = 0$  for all  $Y \in \mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ , which implies

$$g(h(X, Z), \phi Z) = 0. \quad (3.24)$$

Hence

$$h(X, Y) \in \nu. \quad (3.25)$$

Thus from Theorem 2.2 of [12] we have that  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  is integrable, and its leaf are totally geodesic in  $M$ . From  $F\mathcal{D}^\perp \perp \phi\mathcal{D}^\perp$  and from Theorem 1.1 of [12] we have that  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  is integrable. Now, let  $N_\top$  be a leaf of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ , and  $N_\perp$  be a leave of  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$ . Then  $N_\top$  is a totally geodesic submanifold of  $M$ .

We now prove that  $N_\perp$  is an extrinsic sphere in  $M$ , that is,  $N_\perp$  is a totally umbilical submanifold of  $M$ , and its mean curvature is parallel according to the normal connection of  $N_\perp$ . Let  $h^\perp$  and  $A^\perp$  be the second fundamental form and the shape operator of the submanifold  $N_\perp$  in  $M$ . First we prove the following:

**Lemma 3.2.**

$$g(\phi A_{\phi Z} U, X) = g(\nabla_U Z, X), \quad \text{for all } X \in \mathcal{D}, Z \in \mathcal{D}^\perp, U \in TM.$$

PROOF. For any  $Y \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $U \in TM$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned} g(\nabla_U Z, \phi Y) &= g(\bar{\nabla}_U Z, \phi Y) = -g(Z, \bar{\nabla}_U \phi Y) = -g(Z, (\bar{\nabla}_U \phi)Y + \phi(\bar{\nabla}_U Y)) \\ &= -g(Z, \phi(\bar{\nabla}_U Y)) = g(\phi Z, \bar{\nabla}_U Y) \\ &= -g(Y, \bar{\nabla}_U \phi Z) = g(Y, A_{\phi Z} U). \end{aligned} \quad (3.26)$$

Putting  $X = \phi Y$  in the above equation we get

$$-g(\nabla_U Z, X) = g(A_{\phi Z} U, \phi X) = -g(\phi A_{\phi Z} U, X).$$

This yields the lemma.  $\square$

Using this lemma for any  $V, Z \in TN_\perp$  where  $X$  is a normal vector field on  $N_\perp$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} g(\nabla_Z X, V) &= -g(X, \nabla_Z V) = -g(\phi A_{\phi V} Z, X) = g(A_{\phi V} Z, \phi X) \\ &= g(A_{\phi V} \phi X, Z) = -g((X\mu)V, Z) - (X\mu)g(V, Z). \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

But

$$g(\nabla_Z X, V) = g(A_X^\perp Z, V) = g(h^\perp(Z, V), X). \quad (3.28)$$

$W(\mu) = 0$  for all  $W \in \mathcal{D}^\perp \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  implies that  $\nabla \mu \in \mathcal{D}$ . From this and from (3.28) it follows that

$$g(h^\perp(Z, V), X) = -(X\mu)g(Z, V) = -g(X, \nabla \mu)g(Z, V). \quad (3.29)$$

On the other hand, from  $\phi F = F\phi$  and from  $\phi FZ = \nabla_Z \xi$  it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} g(h^\perp(Z, V), \xi) &= g(\nabla_Z V, \xi) = -g(V, \nabla_Z \xi) = -g(V, \bar{\nabla}_Z \xi) \\ &= -g(V, \phi FZ) = -g(V, F\phi Z) = -g(FV, \phi V). \end{aligned} \quad (3.30)$$

From the conditions  $F\mathcal{D}^\perp \perp \phi\mathcal{D}^\perp$  and  $g(\xi, \nabla \mu) = \xi(\mu) = 0$ , we have

$$g(h^\perp(Z, V), \xi) = 0 = -g(\xi, \nabla \mu)g(Z, V).$$

From this and from (3.30) we have

$$h^\perp(Z, V) = -g(Z, V)\nabla \mu. \quad (3.31)$$

This means that  $N_\perp$  is totally umbilical with mean curvature vector  $\nabla \mu$ .

Now we prove that  $\nabla \mu$  is parallel according to the normal connection of  $N_\perp$  in  $M$ . Since the leaves of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  are totally geodesic, and  $\mathcal{D}^\perp$  is integrable,

from Theorem A of BLUMENTHAL and HEBDA [9] we know that  $M$  is locally diffeomorphic to a product  $N_{\top} \times N_{\perp}$ , where  $N_{\top}$  is a leaf of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ , and  $N_{\perp}$  is a leaf of  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ . So we can introduce a local coordinate system  $\{x^i, z^{\alpha}\}$  on  $M$ , such that  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}\}$  and  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial z^{\alpha}}\}$  are bases of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  and  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  respectively.

Thus, for any  $X \in \mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  and  $Z \in \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$ , we have,  $[X, Z] = 0$ , which implies

$$\nabla_X Z = \nabla_Z X. \tag{3.32}$$

Let  $\nabla^{\perp}$  be the normal connection of  $N_{\perp}$  in  $M$ . Then, for  $Y \in \mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  and  $Z \in N_{\perp}$  we obtain,

$$\begin{aligned} g(\nabla_{\frac{Z}{Z}}^{\perp} \nabla \mu, Y) &= g(\nabla_Z \nabla \mu, Y) = Zg(\nabla \mu, Y) - g(\nabla \mu, \nabla_Z Y) \\ &= Z(Y(\mu)) - g(\nabla \mu, \nabla_Y Z) \\ &= Y(Z(\mu)) - \{Yg(\nabla \mu, Z) - g(\nabla_Y \nabla \mu, Z)\} = 0, \end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

since  $Z(\mu) = 0$  for all  $Z \in \mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  and  $\nabla_Y \nabla \mu \in \mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ . This means that the mean curvature of  $N_{\perp}$  is parallel. So, we have proved that the leaves of  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  are totally geodesic, implying that  $\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$  is autoparallel. Also the leaves of  $\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  are totally umbilical, and their mean curvatures are parallel, consequently they are extrinsic spheres. Therefore, by using the result of [23] (see also [20], Remark 2.1 and [14], [25]),  $M$  is a warped product of type  $M = N_{\top} \times_f N_{\perp}$ ,  $\xi$  is tangent to  $N_{\perp}$ , for some function  $f$  on  $N_{\top}$ .

From the first part of the proof we can easily see that,

$$\nabla \ln f = -\nabla \mu,$$

from which we obtain  $f = ce^{-\mu}$  for some constant  $c$ . □

In the Sasakian case we have  $F = Id$ . Thus the condition  $F\mathcal{D}^{\perp} = \mathcal{D} \perp \phi\mathcal{D}^{\perp}$  is always satisfied. From Theorem 3.4 we have:

**Corollary 3.2.** *A contact  $(\mathcal{D} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle, \mathcal{D}^{\perp})$  CR-submanifold  $M$  of a Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$  is locally a contact CR-warped product if and only if*

$$A_{\phi Z} X = (\phi X \mu) Z, \quad \text{for } X \in \mathcal{D}, Z \in \mathcal{D}^{\perp},$$

for some  $C^{\infty}$  function  $\mu$  on  $M$  satisfying  $W\mu = 0$  for all  $W \in \mathcal{D}^{\perp} \oplus \langle \xi \rangle$ .

#### 4. Inequality between the warping function and the squared norm of the second fundamental form

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $M = N_{\top} \times_f N_{\perp}$  be a contact CR-warped product submanifold of a quasi-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , such that  $N_{\top}$  is an invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$ , and  $N_{\perp}$  is an anti-invariant submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ . Suppose that dimension  $N_{\top} = 2n + 1$ , dimension  $N_{\perp} = \beta$ . Then,*

- (i)  $\|h\|^2 \geq 2\beta\|\nabla \ln f\|^2 + 2Tr_{\perp}F^2$ , where  $Tr_{\perp}F^2 := \sum g(Fe_{\alpha}, e_{\alpha})$ , which is independent of the choice of the orthonormal basis  $e_{\alpha}$  ( $\alpha = 2n + 2, \dots, 2n + 1 + \beta$ ) on  $N_{\perp}$ .
- (ii) *If the equality holds, then  $N_{\top}$  is totally geodesic in  $\bar{M}$ ,  $N_{\perp}$  is totally umbilical in  $\bar{M}$ , and  $M$  is a minimal submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ .*

PROOF. Let  $X \in TN_{\top}$ ,  $Z \in TN_{\perp}$  be two unit vector fields. We have

$$\begin{aligned} g(h(\phi X, Z), \phi Z) &= g(\bar{\nabla}_Z \phi X, \phi Z) \\ &= g(\eta(X)FZ - g(FZ, X)\xi + \phi\bar{\nabla}_Z X, \phi Z) \\ &= g(\eta(X)FZ + \phi\bar{\nabla}_Z X, \phi Z) + g(FZ, X)g(\phi\xi, Z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

Since  $g(FZ, \phi Z) = -g(\phi FZ, Z) = -g(F\phi Z, Z) = -g(\phi Z, FZ)$  implies  $g(FZ, \phi Z) = 0$ , from (4.1) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} g(h(\phi X, Z), \phi Z) &= g(\phi\bar{\nabla}_Z X, \phi Z) = g(\bar{\nabla}_Z X, Z) \\ &= g(\nabla_Z X, Z) = X \ln f g(Z, Z) = X \ln f. \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

Since  $TN_{\perp}$  is anti-invariant

$$\begin{aligned} g(h(Z, \xi), \phi Z) &= g(\bar{\nabla}_Z \xi - \nabla_Z \xi, \phi Z) = g(\bar{\nabla}_Z \xi, \phi Z) \\ &= g(\phi FZ, \phi Z) = g(FZ, Z). \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

Suppose that  $h^*$  is the second fundamental form from  $N_{\perp}$  to  $M$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(h^*(Z, W), X) &= g(\nabla_Z W, X) = -g(W, \nabla_Z X) \\ &= -X \ln f g(Z, W) = -g(g(Z, W)\nabla \ln f, X). \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

Hence,

$$h^*(Z, W) = g(Z, W)\nabla \ln f. \quad (4.5)$$

Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{2n}, e_{2n+1} = \xi$  be an orthonormal basis of  $Tn_{\top}$ , while  $\{e_{\alpha}, \alpha = 2n + 2, \dots, 2n + 1 + \beta\}$  is a basis of  $TN_{\perp}$ . Then  $\{\phi e_1, \phi e_2, \dots, \phi e_{2n}, e_{2n+1} = \xi\}$  is also an orthonormal basis of  $TN_{\top}$ . Let  $E_a, a = 1, \dots, 2n + 1 + \beta$  be a basis of

$TM$  such that  $E_i = \phi e_i, i = 1, \dots, 2n, E_{2n+1} = \xi$  and  $E_\alpha = e_\alpha$ . Then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|h\|^2 &= \sum \|h(E_a, E_b)\|^2 \geq \sum 2\|h(\phi e_i, e_\alpha)\|^2 + 2\|h(\xi, e_\alpha)\|^2 \\ &\geq 2 \sum \{ \|g(h(\phi e_i, e_\alpha), \phi e_\alpha)\|^2 + \|g(h(\xi, e_\alpha), \phi e_\alpha)\|^2 \} \\ &\geq 2\beta \|\nabla \ln f\|^2 + 2 \sum g(F e_\alpha, e_\alpha) \geq 2\beta \|\nabla \ln f\|^2 + 2Tr_\perp F^2, \end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

where we have used  $\xi \ln f = 0$ .

If the equality holds, then

$$h(TN_\top, TN_\top) = 0, \tag{4.7}$$

$$h(TN_\perp, TN_\perp) = 0, \tag{4.8}$$

and

$$h(TN_\top, TN_\perp) \subset \phi TN_\perp. \tag{4.9}$$

Since  $N_\top$  is always totally geodesic in  $M$ , from (4.7) we can conclude that  $N_\top$  is also totally geodesic in  $\bar{M}$ . From (4.5) we have that  $N_\perp$  is totally umbilical in  $M$ . Combining this with (4.8), we conclude that  $N_\perp$  is totally umbilical in  $\bar{M}$ . From (4.6) and (4.7) we also obtain that  $M$  is a minimal submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ .  $\square$

In the case of Sasakian manifolds  $F = Id$ . Then  $Tr_\perp F^2 = \beta$ , and we obtain the result of HASEGAWA and MIHAI [22].

**Corollary 4.1.** *Let  $M = N_\top \times_f N_\perp$  be a contact CR-warped product submanifold of a Sasakian manifold  $\bar{M}$ , such that  $N_\top$  is an invariant submanifold tangent to  $\xi$ , and  $N_\perp$  is an anti-invariant submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ . Suppose that dimension  $N_\top = 2n + 1$ , dimension  $N_\perp = \beta$ . Then*

- (i)  $\|h\|^2 (\geq 2\beta \|\nabla \ln f\|^2 + 1)$ ,
- (ii) *If the equality holds, then  $N_\top$  is totally geodesic in  $\bar{M}$ ,  $N_\perp$  is totally umbilical in  $\bar{M}$ , and  $M$  is a minimal submanifold of  $\bar{M}$ .*

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