

RIGGED NULL HYPERSURFACES IN ALMOST PARACONTACT METRIC MANIFOLDS

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ABSTRACT. Given an almost paracontact metric manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{\phi}, \overline{\eta}, \xi, \overline{g})$, we study lightlike hypersurfaces M of the semi-Riemannian manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g})$ transversal to the structure vector field ξ . The latter is then a rigging for M and defines a null section E of the radical distribution of M and a screen distribution which turns out to be always semi-invariant. We show that leaves of an integrable screen distribution in such hypersurfaces M are almost paracontact metric manifolds too. When the ambient space $(\overline{M}, \overline{\phi}, \overline{\eta}, \xi, \overline{g})$ is para-Sasakian, we show that the screen distribution cannot be conformal and that E is a geodesic vector field in (M, ∇) , where ∇ is the connection induced on M by Levi-Civita connection of \overline{g} and the local null rigging $N = \xi - \frac{1}{2}E$. We also find necessary and sufficient conditions for the leaves of the screen distribution to be para-Sasakian too and finally we investigate integrability conditions for some additional distributions induced on M by the structure $(\overline{M}, \overline{\phi}, \overline{\eta}, \xi, \overline{g})$.

1. INTRODUCTION.

Lightlike submanifolds (or null submanifolds) of semi-Riemannian manifolds were introduced by K.L. Duggal and A. Bejancu [6, 7]. Since this pioneering work, several authors have studied lightlike hypersurfaces of semi-Riemannian manifolds and particularly those of paracontact and para-Sasakian manifolds tangent to the structure vector fields (see [1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 7, 13] and references therein). It is well known that the usual technique to study a lightlike hypersurface is to fix on it a geometric data formed by a lightlike section and a screen distribution. Both of them are fixed arbitrarily and independently. So, all geometric objects derived from them depend on these choices. In some recent works [9, 10], M. Gutiérrez and B. Olea used the rigging technique to fix a section of the null distribution and the screen distribution in a natural way and studied the geometry of lightlike hypersurfaces of Lorentzian manifolds. The same method has been used in other works [3, 8]. This technique consists for a given lightlike hypersurface M in a Lorentzian manifold \overline{M} , to choose a vector field ξ on \overline{M} which is not tangent to M and construct a lightlike section and the screen distribution.

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The aim of this paper is to use the same technique to study the lightlike geometry of hypersurfaces in almost paracontact metric manifolds and in para-Sasakian manifolds.

The paper is organized as follows. The present section is labeled as Introduction. The next Section 2 is devoted to basic facts on Null hypersurfaces in semi-Riemannian manifolds and the rigging technique following Reference [9]. We also recall definitions and some properties of almost para-contact metric manifolds and of Para-Sasakian manifolds. In Section 3 we introduce rigged Null hypersurfaces in almost paracontact metric manifolds and it appears that they are screen semi-invariant. We give an explicit example of such Null hypersurfaces. Section 4 is devoted to the reduction of the almost paracontact structure. We show that leaves of an integrable screen distribution of a normalized lightlike hypersurface in an almost paracontact manifold are also almost paracontact manifolds. In Section 5, we consider the case where the ambient manifold \overline{M} is a para-Sasakian manifold and investigate properties of a normalized lightlike hypersurface in \overline{M} . We show that in this case the shape operator of the hypersurface is expressed in term of the structure tensor $\overline{\phi}$ and we prove that the hypersurface cannot be screen conformal. We give a necessary and sufficient condition for a given integrable screen distribution to be para-Sasakian too. Finally, in Section 6 we investigate integrability conditions for some additional distributions induced on the null hypersurface by the structure of the ambient para-Sasakian manifold.

2. LIGHTLIKE HYPERSURFACES AND PARACONTACT MANIFOLDS.

We start by recalling basic notions on lightlike hypersurfaces, the rigging technique for such hypersurfaces and basic facts on para-Sasakian manifolds. We follow the presentation and some notations from references [7] [5][13] and [9].

2.1. Lightlike hypersurfaces. Given a n -dimensional semi-Riemannian manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g})$ and a hypersurface M of \overline{M} , we say that M is a lightlike hypersurface if the induced metric $g = i^*\overline{g}$ on the hypersurface M is degenerate, where $i : M \hookrightarrow \overline{M}$ is the canonical immersion. Its means that there exists a lightlike vector field $E \in \Gamma(TM)$ such that

$$g(X, E) = 0, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM). \quad (2.1)$$

We denote by $Rad(TM)$ the radical distribution which is spanned by E . A screen distribution $S(TM)$ is a complementary distribution to $Rad(TM)$ in TM and the transversal distribution $ltr(TM)$ is the unique lightlike one-dimensional distribution orthogonal to $S(TM)$ not contained in TM .

Theorem 2.1. [6] *For any nonzero section E of $Rad(TM)$ on a coordinate neighborhood $\mathcal{U} \subset M$, there exists a unique section N of $ltr(TM)$ on \mathcal{U} satisfying*

$$\overline{g}(N, E) = 1, \quad \overline{g}(N, N) = \overline{g}(N, W) = 0, \quad (2.2)$$

for all $W \in \Gamma(S(TM)/\mathcal{U})$.

Since the complementary vector bundle $S(TM)$ of $Rad(TM)$ in TM is non-degenerate, we can consider the subbundle $S(TM)^\perp$ which is a complementary

orthogonal of $S(TM)$ in $T\overline{M}$ and which is called *screen transversal subbundle*. One can then consider the following decompositions:

$$TM = S(TM) \perp Rad(TM) \quad (2.3)$$

$$T\overline{M} = S(TM) \perp S(TM)^\perp \quad (2.4)$$

$$S(TM)^\perp = Rad(TM) \oplus ltr(TM) \quad (2.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T\overline{M} &= S(TM) \perp \{Rad(TM) \oplus ltr(TM)\} \\ &= TM \oplus ltr(TM) \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

From (2.6) we can write

$$\overline{\nabla}_X^Y = \nabla_X^Y + h(X, Y) \quad (2.7)$$

$$\overline{\nabla}_X^N = -A_N(X) + \nabla_X^t N, \quad (2.8)$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $N \in \Gamma(ltr(TM))$. ∇ and ∇^t are called the *induced connection* on M and $ltr(TM)$ respectively, h and A_N are called the *second fundamental form* and *shape operator*. The above equations are the Gauss and Weingarten equations.

Locally, let E, N and \mathcal{U} be as in the Theorem 2.1 above. Then for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM|_{\mathcal{U}})$, setting

$$B(X, Y) = \overline{g}(h(X, Y), E), \quad \tau(X) = \overline{g}(\nabla_X^t N, E), \quad (2.9)$$

we can write

$$\overline{\nabla}_X^Y = \nabla_X^Y + B(X, Y)N \quad (2.10)$$

$$\overline{\nabla}_X^N = -A_N(X) + \tau(X)N, \quad (2.11)$$

B is called the local second fundamental form of M . B is a symmetric tensor that satisfies $B(X, Y) = -g(\nabla_X E, Y)$. Moreover, $B(E, \cdot) = 0$ and E is a pre-geodesic vector field, in fact $\nabla_E E = -\tau(E)E$. The notion of totally geodesic or umbilic hypersurface also has sense in the degenerate case. Indeed, M is totally geodesic if $B = 0$ and totally umbilic if $B = \rho g$ for a certain $\rho \in C^\infty(M)$.

The decomposition (2.3) allows to define a canonical projection $P : \Gamma(TM) \rightarrow \Gamma(S(TM))$. For each $X \in \Gamma(TM)$, we may write

$$X = PX + \theta(X)E. \quad (2.12)$$

where

$$\theta(X) = \overline{g}(X, N). \quad (2.13)$$

We have

$$(\nabla_X^g)(Y, Z) = B(X, Y)\theta(Z) + B(X, Z)\theta(Y) \quad (2.14)$$

which implies that the induced connection ∇ is a nonmetric connection on M . Given $X \in \Gamma(TM)$, the vector field $\nabla_X E$ belongs to $\Gamma(M)$, so it can be decomposed as

$$\nabla_X^E = -\tau(X)E - A_E^*(X),$$

where $A_E^*(X) \in \Gamma(S(TM))$. The endomorphism A_E^* is called *the shape operator* of $S(TM)$ and it satisfies $B(X, PY) = g(A_E^*(X), PY)$ and

$$B(A_E^*(X), Y) = B(X, A_E^*(Y)). \quad (2.15)$$

The trace of A_E^* is the lightlike mean curvature of M , explicitly given by

$$H_p = \sum_{i=3}^n g(A^*(e_i), e_i) = \sum_{i=3}^n B(e_i, e_i),$$

where $\{e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $S(T_pM)$. On the other hand, given $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $PY \in S(TM)$, locally, we decompose

$$\nabla_X^{PY} = \nabla_X^* PY + C(X, PY)E. \quad (2.16)$$

The tensor C holds $C(X, PY) = g(A_N(X), PY)$ and

$$C(PX, PY) - C(PY, PX) = g(N, [PX, PY]). \quad (2.17)$$

When the screen distribution $S(TM)$ is integrable, ∇^* is the induced Levi-Civita connection from (M, g) and Equations (2.4) and (2.5) show that its second fundamental form is

$$\Theta(PX, PY) = C(PX, PY)E + B(PX, PY)N \quad (2.18)$$

where $PX, PY \in S(TM)$. The curvature tensor of ∇ is defined as $R_{XY}Z = \nabla_X \nabla_Y^Z - \nabla_Y \nabla_X^Z - \nabla_{[X, Y]}^Z$ and it satisfies

$$R_{XY}E = \bar{R}_{XY}E, \quad (2.19)$$

where $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ and the so called Gauss-Codazzi equations are

$$\begin{aligned} g(\bar{R}_{XY}Z, U) &= g(R_{XY}Z, U) + B(X, Z)g(A_N(Y), U) \\ &\quad - B(Y, Z)g(A_N(X), U), \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(\bar{R}_{XY}Z, E) &= (\nabla_X B)(Y, Z) - (\nabla_Y B)(X, Z) + \tau(X)B(Y, Z) \\ &\quad - \tau(Y)B(X, Z) \end{aligned} \quad (2.21)$$

$$g(\bar{R}_{XY}Z, N) = g(R_{XY}Z, N), \quad (2.22)$$

where $X, Y, Z \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $U \in S(TM)$. From these equations it can be deduced the following ones,

$$\begin{aligned} g(R_{XY}U, N) &= (\nabla_X^* C)(Y, U) - (\nabla_Y^* C)(X, U) \\ &\quad + \tau(Y)C(X, U) - \tau(X)C(Y, U) \end{aligned} \quad (2.23)$$

$$g(R_{XY}E, N) = C(Y, A_E^*(X)) - C(X, A^*(Y)) - d\tau(X, Y), \quad (2.24)$$

where $\nabla_U^* C$ is defined as

$$(\nabla_X^* C)(Y, PZ) = X(C(Y, PZ)) - C(\nabla_X Y, PZ) - C(Y, \nabla_X^* PZ). \quad (2.25)$$

Using equation (2.8), we can compute the lightlike sectional curvature with respect to E of a lightlike plane $\Pi = span(X, E)$ where $X \in S(TM)$ is unitary:

$$\mathcal{K}_E(\Pi) = (\nabla_E B)(X, X) - (\nabla_X B)(E, X) + \tau(E)B(X, X). \quad (2.26)$$

2.2. The rigging and rigged vector fields on a lightlike hypersurface.

Take ξ a vector field defined in some open set in $(\overline{M}, \overline{g})$ containing M and denote by $\overline{\eta}$ the 1-form metrically equivalent to ξ . Take $\eta = i^*\overline{\eta}$, where $i : M \hookrightarrow \overline{M}$ is the canonical inclusion and consider the tensors $\widehat{g} = \overline{g} + \overline{\eta} \otimes \overline{\eta}$ and $\widetilde{g} = i^*\widehat{g}$ [9]. One shows that the associated metric \widetilde{g} is a non-degenerate metric on the hypersurface, [8].

Definition 2.2. Let M be a lightlike hypersurface of a semi-riemannian manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{g})$. A rigging for M is a vector field ξ defined on some open set containing M such that $\xi_p \notin T_p M$ for each $p \in M$.

From now on we fix ξ a rigging for M . The rigging ξ fixes a lightlike vector field E in M , which we call rigged vector field.

Definition 2.3. The rigged vector field of ξ is the \widetilde{g} -metrically equivalent vector field to the 1-form η and it is denoted E .

Proposition 2.4. [9] *The rigged vector field of ξ is the unique lightlike vector field E in M such that $\overline{g}(\xi, E) = 1$. Moreover, E is \widetilde{g} -unitary.*

We can consider the screen distribution given by $TM \cap \xi^\perp$, which we denote by $S(TM)$. Observe that $S(TM)$ is the \widetilde{g} -orthogonal subspace to E and the local lightlike transverse vector field to $S(TM)$ is given by

$$N = \xi - \frac{1}{2}\overline{g}(\xi, \xi)E.$$

2.3. Para-Sasakian Manifolds. A differentiable manifold of dimension $(2n + 1)$ is called almost paracontact manifold with the almost paracontact structure $(\overline{\phi}, \xi, \overline{\eta})$ if it admits a tensor field $\overline{\phi}$ of type $(1, 1)$, a vector field ξ and a 1-form $\overline{\eta}$ satisfying the following conditions [5, 14]:

$$\overline{\phi}^2 = I - \overline{\eta} \otimes \xi \tag{2.27}$$

$$\overline{\eta}(\xi) = 1 \tag{2.28}$$

$$\overline{\phi}(\xi) = 0 \tag{2.29}$$

$$\overline{\eta} \circ \overline{\phi} = 0, \tag{2.30}$$

where I denotes the identity transformation. If a $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional almost paracontact manifold $(\overline{M}, \overline{\phi}, \xi, \overline{\eta})$ admits a pseudo-Riemannian metric \overline{g} such that

$$\overline{g}(\overline{\phi}X, \overline{\phi}Y) = -\overline{g}(X, Y) + \overline{\eta}(X)\overline{\eta}(Y), \quad X, Y \in \Gamma(T\overline{M}), \tag{2.31}$$

then we say that \overline{M} is an almost paracontact metric manifold with an almost paracontact metric structure $(\overline{\phi}, \xi, \overline{\eta}, \overline{g})$ and such metric \overline{g} is called compatible metric. From (2.31) it is easy to see that

$$\overline{g}(\overline{\phi}X, Y) = -\overline{g}(X, \overline{\phi}Y) \tag{2.32}$$

$$\overline{g}(X, \xi) = \overline{\eta}(X), \tag{2.33}$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(T\overline{M})$.

Any compatible metric \overline{g} is necessarily of signature $(n + 1, n)$.

An almost paracontact metric manifold is paracontact if $d\overline{\eta} = \omega$, where we have

set $\omega(X, Y) = \bar{g}(X, \bar{\phi}Y)$ and $d\bar{\eta}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{2}(X.\bar{\eta}(Y) - Y.\bar{\eta}(X) - \bar{\eta}([X, Y]))$, $\forall X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M})$.

A paracontact metric manifold is a para-Sasakian manifold if

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \bar{\phi})Y = -\bar{g}(X, Y)\xi + \bar{\eta}(Y)X, \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(T\bar{M}). \quad (2.34)$$

3. NORMALIZED LIGHTLIKE HYPERSURFACES IN ALMOST PARACONTACT METRIC MANIFOLDS.

Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{\Phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ be a $(2n+1)$ -dimensional almost paracontact metric manifold and M a lightlike hypersurface of \bar{M} such that the structure vector field ξ is a rigging vector field for M . It means that at any point of M the rigging ξ is transversal to M . We call such a manifold *normalized lightlike hypersurface* of \bar{M} . Let E and N be respectively, the rigged and null transversal vector field associated to ξ such that

$$\bar{g}(E, \xi) = 1 \text{ and } \bar{g}(E, N) = 1.$$

We recall that we locally have

$$\xi = N + \frac{1}{2}E. \quad (3.1)$$

Then we easily get the following equations

$$\bar{\eta}(E) = 1, \quad \bar{\eta}(N) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad (3.2)$$

$$\bar{\phi}^2(E) = \frac{1}{2}E - N, \quad \bar{\phi}^2(N) = \frac{1}{2}N - \frac{1}{4}E. \quad (3.3)$$

$$\bar{\phi}(N) = -\frac{1}{2}\bar{\phi}(E). \quad (3.4)$$

$$\bar{g}(\bar{\phi} E, E) = 0, \quad \bar{g}(\bar{\phi} E, N) = 0 \quad (3.5)$$

$$\bar{g}(\bar{\phi} N, N) = 0, \quad \bar{g}(\bar{\phi} N, E) = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

$$\bar{\phi}(N) = -\frac{1}{2}\bar{\phi} E \in \Gamma(S(TM)). \quad (3.7)$$

As recalled in [5], the normalized hypersurface (M, g) is said to be screen semi-invariant if both $\bar{\phi}(N)$ and $\bar{\phi}(E)$ belong to the screen distribution. Hence, Equations (3.3) and (3.7) lead to the following proposition.

Proposition 3.1. *A normalized lightlike hypersurface of almost para-contact metric manifold \bar{M} is rather a screen semi-invariant lightlike hypersurface of \bar{M} .*

For $X \in \Gamma(TM)$, we set

$$\bar{\phi}(X) = \phi(X) + u(X)N \quad (3.8)$$

and $\eta = i^*\bar{\eta}$ where $i : M \hookrightarrow \bar{M}$ is the canonical immersion. Then we have

Proposition 3.2. For all $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = -g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) + u(X)u(Y). \quad (3.9)$$

Proof. Using (2.31) and (3.8), we have for all $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$,

$$\bar{g}(\phi X + u(X)N, \phi Y + u(Y)N) = -g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) \quad (3.10)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} g(\phi X, \phi Y) &= -g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) - u(Y)\bar{g}(\phi X, N) \\ &\quad - u(X)\bar{g}(N, \phi Y) \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

On the other hand

$$\bar{g}(\phi X, N) = \bar{g}(\bar{\phi}X - u(X)N, N) = -\frac{1}{2}u(X). \quad (3.12)$$

Using (3.12) in (3.11) gives (3.9) as expected. \square

Proposition 3.3. Setting $U = \bar{\phi}N$ and $e = \frac{1}{2}E$, we have

$$\phi^2 = I - \eta \otimes e - u \otimes U \quad (3.13)$$

$$u \circ \phi = -\eta = -\bar{g}(\cdot, N) \quad (3.14)$$

$$\eta \circ \phi = -\frac{1}{2}u \quad (3.15)$$

$$\phi(e) = -U, \quad \phi(U) = -\frac{1}{2}e. \quad (3.16)$$

From the preceding proposition we deduce

$$\eta(U) = 0, \quad \eta(e) = \frac{1}{2} \quad (3.17)$$

$$u(e) = 0, \quad u(U) = \frac{1}{2} \quad (3.18)$$

which one can get by direct computations.

Proposition 3.4. Let (M, g, N) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of (\bar{M}, \bar{g}) and ϕ, u and η defined as above, then we have

$$g(\phi X, Y) = -g(X, \phi Y) - \eta(X)u(Y) - \eta(Y)u(X), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM) \quad (3.19)$$

From this proposition, one deduces that

$$\bar{g}(\bar{\phi}X, Y) = -\bar{g}(X, \bar{\phi}Y), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM). \quad (3.20)$$

Proof. The result follows by direct computations using Proposition 3.2. \square

Proposition 3.5. Let (M, g, N) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface in $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$. Then there exists, locally a $\bar{\phi}$ -basis $\{e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}E, \bar{\phi}^2E, \xi\}$ of $T\bar{M}$ where $\{e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}E\}$ is pseudo-orthonormal basis of $S(TM)$.

Proof. On a coordinate neighborhood on \bar{M} , we set

$$H = (\bar{\phi}(\text{Rad}(TM)))^\perp \cap S(TM). \quad (3.21)$$

We choose a \bar{g} -unit vector field $e_1 \in H$. Hence by definition of H , we have $e_1 \perp \xi$ and $e_1 \perp \bar{\phi}E$. It follows that $\bar{\phi}(e_1) \perp \xi$ and $\bar{\phi}(e_1) \perp \bar{\phi}(E)$ and furthermore,

we have $g(\bar{\phi}(e_1), \bar{\phi}(e_1)) = -1$.

Next choose another vector field $e_2 \in H$ such that $e_2 \perp e_1$. It follows again that $\bar{\phi}(e_2) \perp \xi$ and we have $e_2 \perp \xi$ and $\bar{\phi}e_2 \perp e_1$, $\bar{\phi}e_2 \perp \xi$, $e_2 \perp \bar{\phi}E$, $\bar{\phi}e_2 \perp \bar{\phi}E$ and $g(\bar{\phi}(e_2), \bar{\phi}(e_2)) = -1$.

Continuing in this way, we obtain an orthonormal basis $(e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}E)$ of $S(TM)$.

We just add the two other orthogonal vector fields in the complementary and orthogonal space of $S(TM)$ in $T\bar{M}$. Namely $\bar{\phi}^2E = \frac{1}{2}E - N$ and ξ to obtain the quasi orthonormal $\bar{\phi}$ -basis of $T\bar{M}$ as stated. \square

Example 3.6. Let $(\bar{M} = \mathbb{R}^5, \bar{g} = dx_1 \otimes dx_1 + dx_2 \otimes dx_2 - dx_3 \otimes dx_3 - dx_4 \otimes dx_4 + dx_5 \otimes dx_5)$ be the 5-dimensional flat semi-riemannian manifold with a coordinate system $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$. This is an almost paracontact metric manifold with the structure $(\bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta})$ given by

$$\bar{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}\right) = 0, \quad \bar{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}, \quad \bar{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, \quad (3.22)$$

$$\bar{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}, \quad \bar{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, \quad \bar{\eta} = dx_5, \quad (3.23)$$

$$\xi = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}. \quad (3.24)$$

$M = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5 / x_5 = 2x_1 - x_3 - 2x_4\}$ is a normalized lightlike hypersurface of \bar{M} .

Indeed the tangent bundle TM of M is spanned by

$$\left\{ V_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + 2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, V_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, V_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, V_4 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} - 2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5} \right\}.$$

The rigged vector field E and transversal vector field are given by

$$E = -2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} - 2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_5} \quad (3.25)$$

$$N = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}. \quad (3.26)$$

The screen distribution $S(TM) = \text{Span}\{W_1, W_2, W_3\}$ where

$$W_1 = V_2, W_2 = V_1 + 2V_3, W_3 = -2V_3 + V_4.$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi E &= -2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - 2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \\ &= -V_1 - 2V_2 - 2V_3 \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

From which we get $\phi(N) = -\frac{1}{2}\phi(E) = W_1 + \frac{1}{2}W_2 \in S(TM)$. This means that M is screen semi-invariant as expected.

4. REDUCTION OF THE ALMOST PARACONTACT STRUCTURE TO THE SCREEN DISTRIBUTION.

In this section, we show that leaves of an integrable screen distribution of a normalized lightlike hypersurface in a paracontact manifold are almost paracontact manifolds.

Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ be an almost paracontact metric manifold and $(M, g, S(TM) = \ker \eta)$ be a normalized lightlike hypersurface with ξ transversal to M as above. Let ϕ be a $(1, 1)$ -tensor field on M as above i.e.

$$\bar{\phi}X = \phi X + u(X)N, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM). \quad (4.1)$$

We set

$$\phi X = \phi_s X + u_s(X)E, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(S(TM)) \quad (4.2)$$

where we have used the decomposition (2.3). Then we have the following result.

Theorem 4.1. *If the screen distribution $S(TM)$ is integrable, then any leaf M_s of $S(TM)$ is an almost paracontact metric manifold with the structure $(M_s, \phi_s, \xi_s, \eta_s, g_s)$ such that*

$$\eta_s = u|_{S(TM)}, \xi_s = 2U = 2\bar{\phi}N, g_s = g|_{M_s}.$$

Proof. We first observe that, $\forall X \in \Gamma(S(TM))$

$$\begin{aligned} u_s(X) &= \bar{g}(\phi X, N) = \bar{g}(\bar{\phi}X, \xi - \frac{1}{2}E) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}u(X). \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

On the other hand, using $\phi^2(X) = X - \eta(X)e - u(X)U$, we have for any $X \in \Gamma(S(TM))$

$$\phi(\phi_s(X) + u_s(X)E) = X - u(X)U \quad (4.4)$$

which in turn gives

$$\phi_s^2(X) + u_s(\phi_s X)E + u_s(X)\phi_s(E) + u_s(X)u_s(E) = X - u(X)U \quad (4.5)$$

equating the screen and radical parts in (4.5) gives

$$\phi_s^2(X) = X - u(X)U - u_s(X)\phi_s(E) \quad (4.6)$$

$$u_s(\phi_s(X)) = u_s(X)u_s(E) = 0 \quad (4.7)$$

Now using the fact that $\phi E = \bar{\phi}E$ is in $S(TM)$, we deduce that $\phi(E) = \phi_s(E) + u_s(E)E$ implies

$$\phi_s(E) = \phi(E) = \bar{\phi}(E) = -2\bar{\phi}N = -2U \quad (4.8)$$

and that

$$u_s(E) = 0. \quad (4.9)$$

Equation (4.9) justifies why in (4.7), we have $u_s(X) \cdot u_s(E) = 0$. Using (4.8) and (4.3) in (4.6) gives

$$\phi_s^2(X) = X - u(X)(2U), \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(S(TM)). \quad (4.10)$$

Hence the expected structure vector field of M_s is $2U$ providing that $\phi_s(2U) = 0$ and $\eta(2U) = 1$ and $\eta_s \circ \phi_s = 0$. Indeed we have

$$\eta_s(\xi_s) = u(2U) = 1 \quad (4.11)$$

since $u(U) = \frac{1}{2}$. Now using (4.7) we have $\eta_s \circ \phi_s = u \circ \phi_s = -2u_s \circ \phi_s = 0$. Next to show that $\phi_s(\xi_s) = 0$, we use

$$\phi(U) = -\frac{1}{4}E \quad (4.12)$$

from which we deduce that $\phi_s(U) = 0$, hence

$$\phi_s(\xi_s) = \phi_s(2U) = 0. \quad (4.13)$$

We now show that the structure $(M_s, \phi_s, \xi_s, \eta_s, g_s)$ is metric. Using

$$g(\phi(X), \phi(Y)) = -g(X, Y) + \eta(X)\eta(Y) + u(X)u(Y)$$

and $\eta(X) = 0$ for any $X \in \Gamma(S(TM))$, we have

$$g(\phi_s(X) + u_s(X)E, \phi_s(Y) + u_s(Y)E) = -g(X, Y) + u(X)u(Y)$$

which in turn gives

$$g(\phi_s(X), \phi_s(Y)) = -g(X, Y) + u(X)u(Y) \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(S(TM))$$

as expected. \square

Example 4.2. The Example 3.6 above gives a case of a foliated hypersurface $M = \{(u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, 2u_1 - u_3 - 2u_4), u_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$ for which one finds that $\eta = 2du_1 - du_3 - 2du_4$. Hence the paracontact structure reduces to leaves of its screen distribution.

5. NORMALIZED LIGHTLIKE HYPERSURFACES IN PARA-SASAKIAN MANIFOLDS.

We now consider the case where \overline{M} is para-Sasakian. We show that the shape operator is expressed in term of the structure tensor field ϕ . We also give necessary and sufficient conditions for M to be totally geodesic and for leaves of an integrable screen distribution to be Para-Sasakian too.

Proposition 5.1. *Let $(\overline{M}, \overline{\phi}, \overline{\eta}, \xi, \overline{g})$ be a para-Sasakian manifold and (M, g) a normalized lightlike hypersurface with ξ as rigging vector field. Then for $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$, we have*

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = -g(X, Y)e + \eta(Y)X + B(X, Y)U + u(Y)A_N(X) \quad (5.1)$$

$$(\nabla_X u)(Y) = -g(X, Y) - B(X, \phi Y) - \tau(X)u(Y), \quad (5.2)$$

where $e = \frac{E}{2}$, $U = \overline{\phi}(N)$.

Proof. The proof is straightforward computation using the following equations verified by \overline{M} .

$$(\overline{\nabla}_X \overline{\phi})(Y) = -\overline{g}(X, Y)\xi + \overline{\eta}(Y)X \quad (5.3)$$

$$\overline{\nabla}_X \xi = -\overline{\phi}(X). \quad (5.4)$$

\square

Proposition 5.2. *Under the same hypothesis as in the preceding proposition, we have $\forall X \in \Gamma(TM)$,*

$$\bar{\phi}(X) = A_N(X) + \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(X) + \frac{1}{2}\tau(X)E - \tau(X)N \quad (5.5)$$

$$\bar{\phi}(N) = -\frac{1}{2}A_N(E). \quad (5.6)$$

Proof. For any $X \in \Gamma(TM)$, by (5.4), we have

$$\bar{\nabla}_X N + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\nabla}_X E = -\phi(X) - u(X)N \quad (5.7)$$

then

$$-A_N(X) + \tau(X)N + \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_X E + B(X, E)N) = -\phi(X) - u(X)N,$$

and finally

$$-A_N(X) + \tau(X)N + \frac{1}{2}(-A_E^*(X) - \tau(X)E) = -\phi(X) - u(X)N.$$

Equating the tangent and transversal parts gives

$$u(X) = -\tau(X) \quad (5.8)$$

$$\phi(X) = A_N(X) + \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(X) + \frac{1}{2}\tau(X)E. \quad (5.9)$$

(5.8) and (5.9) gives (5.5).

On the other hand (3.7) gives

$$\bar{\phi}(N) = -\frac{1}{2}\bar{\phi}(E) \in \Gamma(S(TM)).$$

But $\bar{\phi}(E) = \phi(E) = A_N(E)$ by using (5.9). Hence $\bar{\phi}(N) = -\frac{1}{2}A_N(E)$ which is (5.6) as expected. \square

Corollary 5.3. *Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \bar{\eta}, \xi, \bar{g})$ be a para-Sasakian manifold and (M, g) a normalized lightlike hypersurface with ξ as rigging vector field.*

(I) *The null section E is geodesic in (M, ∇) , i.e. $\nabla_E^E = 0$.*

(II) *The screen distribution $ST(M)$ cannot be conformal.*

(III) *The induced connection ∇ does not coincide with any of the ' α -connection ∇^α being the Riemannian connection of the metric $g + \alpha\eta \otimes \eta$ as defined in [12].*

Proof. (I): From (5.9) it follows that $\phi(E) = A_N(E) + \frac{1}{2}\tau(E)E$ which gives $\tau(E) = 0$, since $\phi(E) = \bar{\phi}(E) = A_N(E)$.

(II): If the screen distribution is conformal then there exists $\alpha \in C^\infty(M)$ such that $A_N = \alpha A_E^*$. Then we have $\bar{\phi}(E) = A_N(E) = \alpha A_E^*(E) = 0$. Which is a contradiction since we have $\bar{g}(\bar{\phi}E, \bar{\phi}E) = 1$.

(III): Using the similar reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 4.1 in [4] one shows that $\nabla = \nabla^\alpha$ iff $A_E^* = \alpha A_N$ and $d\alpha + 2\alpha\tau = 0$. This would also lead to the same contradiction as above, namely $\bar{\phi}(E) = 0$. \square

The distribution $\bar{\phi}(Rad(TM))$ is nondegenerate since $\bar{g}(\bar{\phi}E, \bar{\phi}E) = 1$, then we can define the unique nondegenerate distribution D_0 by

Definition 5.4.

$$S(TM) = D_0 \perp \bar{\phi}(Rad(TM)). \quad (5.10)$$

This leads to the following decomposition

$$TM = \{\bar{\phi}(Rad(TM) \perp D_0\} \perp Rad(TM). \quad (5.11)$$

$$T\bar{M} = \bar{\phi}(Rad(TM)) \perp D_0 \perp \{Rad(TM) \oplus ltr(TM)\}. \quad (5.12)$$

It is easy to prove the following

Proposition 5.5. D_0 is $\bar{\phi}$ -invariant.

Now we set

$$D = Rad(TM) \perp D_0 \text{ and } D' = \bar{\phi}(Rad(TM)). \quad (5.13)$$

and it follows that

$$T(M) = D \oplus D' \quad (5.14)$$

Theorem 5.6. Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ be a $(2n+1)$ -para-Sasakian manifold and (M, ϕ, U, η, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$.

Then M is totally geodesic if and only if $\forall X \in \Gamma(TM), \forall Y \in \Gamma(D)$,

$$(\nabla_X^\phi)Y = -g(X, Y)e + \eta(Y)X \quad (5.15)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}A_N(X) = g(X, U)e - \frac{1}{2}\nabla_X^e - \phi(\nabla_X^U). \quad (5.16)$$

Proof. Assume that M is totally geodesic. By (5.1), we have for $X \in \Gamma(TM)$ and $Y \in \Gamma(D)$

$$(\nabla_X^\phi)Y = -g(X, Y)e + \eta(Y)X,$$

since $u(Y) = \bar{g}(\bar{\phi}(Y), E) = -\bar{g}(Y, \bar{\phi}E) = 0$. On the other hand

$$(\nabla_X^\phi)U = -g(X, U)e + \eta(U)X + u(U)A_N(X),$$

then

$$(\nabla_X^{\phi(U)}) - \phi(\nabla_X^U) = -g(X, U)e + \frac{1}{2}A_N(X),$$

since $u(U) = \frac{1}{2}, \eta(U) = 0$. Then finally

$$\frac{1}{2}A_N(X) = g(X, U)e - \frac{1}{2}\nabla_X^e - \phi(\nabla_X^U).$$

Conversely, let $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$. By (5.15), $\exists \alpha \in C^\infty(M)$ such that $Y = Y_D + \alpha U$. We have

$$B(X, Y) = B(X, Y_D) + \alpha B(X, U). \quad (5.17)$$

By (5.1) and for $Y = Y_D$, we have

$$(\nabla_X^\phi)Y_D = -g(X, Y_D)e + \eta(Y_D)X + B(X, Y_D)U + u(Y_D)A_N(X). \quad (5.18)$$

By (5.15), we have

$$(\nabla_X^\phi)Y_D = -g(X, Y_D)e + \eta(Y_D)X. \quad (5.19)$$

Equating (5.18) and (5.19) gives

$$B(X, Y_D)U + u(Y_D)A_N(X) = 0,$$

which gives $B(X, Y_D) = 0$ since $u(Y_D) = 0$.

On the other hand, by (5.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla_X^\phi)U &= -g(X, U)e + \eta(U)X + B(X, U)U + u(U)A_N(X) \\ &= -g(X, U)e + B(X, U)U + \frac{1}{2}A_N(X). \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_X^{\phi U} - \phi(\nabla_X^U) = -g(X, U)e + B(X, U)U + \frac{1}{2}A_N(X),$$

and by using (5.16), we have

$$\nabla_X^{\phi U} - \phi(\nabla_X^U) = -g(X, U)e + B(X, U)U + g(X, U)e - \frac{1}{2}\nabla_X^e - \phi(\nabla_X^U),$$

which gives $B(X, U) = 0$. \square

The following theorem gives a condition for the leaves of integrable screen distribution to be para-Sasakian.

Theorem 5.7. *Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ be a $(2n+1)$ -para-Sasakian manifold and (M, ϕ, U, η, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$. Assume that the screen distribution $S(TM)$ is integrable. Then the leaves M_s of $S(TM)$ have a para-Sasakian structure if and only if*

$$A_E^*(PX) = \phi_s(PX) - PX, \quad \forall X \in \Gamma(TM) \quad (5.20)$$

Proof. Since \bar{M} is para-Sasakian manifold, we have for all $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$

$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{\bar{\phi}})PY &= -\bar{g}(PX, PY)\xi \\ &= -\bar{g}(PX, PY)e - \bar{g}(PX, PY)N. \end{aligned} \quad (5.21)$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(\bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{\bar{\phi}})PY = \bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{\bar{\phi}(PY)} - \bar{\phi}(\bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{PY}). \quad (5.22)$$

A straightforward computation gives

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{\bar{\phi}(PY)} &= \bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{\phi(PY)+u(PY)N} \\ &= \nabla_{PX}^{\phi(PY)} + B(PX, \phi(PY))N + PX(u(PY))N + u(PY)\bar{\nabla}_{PX}^N \\ &= \nabla_{PX}^{*\phi_s(PY)} + C(PX, \phi_s(PY))E + PX(u_s(PY))E \\ &\quad - u_s(PY)A_E^*(PX) - u_s(PY)\tau(PX)E \\ &\quad + B(PX, \phi_s(PY))N + PX(u(PY))N \\ &\quad - u(PY)A_N(PX) + u(PY)\tau(PX)N, \end{aligned} \quad (5.23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\phi}(\bar{\nabla}_{PX}^{PY}) &= \bar{\phi}(\nabla_{PX}^{PY} + B(PX, PY)N) \\ &= \phi_s(\nabla_{PX}^{*PY}) + u_s(\nabla_{PX}^{*PY})E + C(PX, PY)\phi E \\ &\quad + u(\nabla_{PX}^{PY})N + B(PX, PY)\bar{\phi}N. \end{aligned} \quad (5.24)$$

Equations (5.23) and (5.24) in (5.22) give

$$\begin{aligned}
(\overline{\nabla}_{PX}^{\bar{\phi}})PY &= (\nabla_{PX}^{*\phi_s})(PY) + \{(\nabla_{PX}^{*u})(PY) + C(PX, PY)\phi E - u_s(PY)\tau(X)\}E \\
&+ \{(\nabla_{PX}^u)(PY) + B(PX, \phi_s(PY)) + u(PY)\tau(PX)\}N \\
&- B(PX, PY)\bar{\phi}N - C(PX, PY)\phi E \\
&- A_N(PX)u(PY) - u_s(PY)A_E^*(PX).
\end{aligned} \tag{5.25}$$

Equating (5.25) and (5.21) give

$$(\nabla_{PX}^u)(PY) = -g(PX, PY) - B(PX, \phi_s(PY)) - u(PY)\tau(PX) \tag{5.26}$$

$$(\nabla_{PX}^{*u})(PY) = -\frac{1}{2}g(PX, PY) - C(PX, \phi_s(PY)) + u_s(PY)\tau(PX) \tag{5.27}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\nabla_{PX}^{*\phi_s})(PY) &= B(PX, PY)\bar{\phi}N + C(PX, PY)\phi E \\
&+ A_N(PX)u(PY) + u_s(PY)A_E^*(PX)
\end{aligned} \tag{5.28}$$

Equation (5.26) is relation (5.2). By (5.28), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(\overline{\nabla}_{PX}^{*\phi_s})PY &= B(PX, PY)U - 2C(PX, PY)U \\
&+ u(PY)A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}u(PX)A_E^*(PX) \\
&= -\left(-\frac{1}{2}B(PX, PY) + C(PX, PY)\right)(2U) \\
&+ u(PY)(A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(PX)) \\
&= -\left(-\frac{1}{2}g(-A_N(PX), PY) + g(A_N(PX), PY)\right)(2U) \\
&+ u(PY)(A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(PX)) \\
&= -g(A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(PX), PY)(2U) \\
&+ u(PY)(A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(PX))
\end{aligned} \tag{5.29}$$

If $A_E^*(PX) = \phi_s(PX) - PX$ then $A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(PX) = PX$ and by (5.29) we have

$$(\overline{\nabla}_{PX}^{*\phi_s})PY = -g_s(PX, PY)(2U) + u(PY)PX,$$

then $(M_s, \phi_s, \xi_s, \eta_s, g_s)$ is a para-Sasakian manifold.

Conversely if $(M_s, \phi_s, \xi_s, \eta_s, g_s)$ is para-Sasakian i.e.

$$(\overline{\nabla}_{PX}^{*\phi_s})PY = -g_s(PX, PY)(2U) + u(PY)PX \tag{5.30}$$

and then equating (5.29) and (5.30) gives

$$A_N(PX) - \frac{1}{2}A_E^*(PX) = PX.$$

□

Example 5.8. Let $\overline{M} = \mathbb{R}^5$ endowed with the metric \overline{g} given by its following matrix in the cartesian coordinate system $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$:

$$[\overline{g}] = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + x_3^2 & -x_3x_4 & 0 & 0 & -x_3 \\ -x_3x_4 & -1 + x_4^2 & 0 & 0 & x_4 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -x_3 & x_4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.31)$$

Then the Christoffel coefficients of the Levi-Civita connection of \overline{g} are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{13}^1 &= \Gamma_{14}^2 = \Gamma_{12}^4 = -\Gamma_{35}^5 = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{11}^3 = \frac{1}{2}x_3 \\ \Gamma_{23}^1 &= \Gamma_{24}^2 = \Gamma_{12}^3 = -\Gamma_{45}^5 = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{22}^4 = -\frac{1}{2}x_4 \\ \Gamma_{35}^1 &= \Gamma_{45}^2 = \Gamma_{15}^3 = -\Gamma_{25}^4 = -\frac{1}{2} \\ \Gamma_{13}^5 &= \frac{1}{2}(x_3^2 - 1), \Gamma_{14}^5 = \Gamma_{23}^5 = -\frac{1}{2}x_3x_4, \Gamma_{24}^5 = \frac{1}{2}(x_4^2 + 1), \end{aligned}$$

and $\Gamma_{ij}^k = 0$ for any other triple (i, j, k) .

We define an almost paracontact structure $(\overline{\phi}, \xi, \overline{\eta})$ on \overline{M} by:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}\right) &= 0, \overline{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}, \overline{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - x_3\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, \overline{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}\right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}, \overline{\phi}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4}\right) = \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + x_4\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, \overline{\eta} = \frac{1}{2}(x_3dx_1 - x_4dx_2 - dx_5), \xi = -2\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}. \end{aligned}$$

Then one shows that $(\overline{M} = \mathbb{R}^5, \overline{\phi}, \xi, \overline{\eta}, \overline{g})$ is a para-Sasakian manifold.

Let us consider the hypersurface $M = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5 / x_5 = \frac{1}{2}(\arcsin(x_3) + x_3\sqrt{1 + x_3^2 + x_4^2})\}$ of \overline{M} .

Around any point $m = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, \frac{1}{2}(\arcsin(u_3) + u_3\sqrt{1 + u_3^2 + u_4^2})) \in M$, we consider the local coordinates system (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) and set: $V_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1}$, $V_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2}$, $V_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3}$, $V_4 = \frac{\partial}{\partial u_4}$.

The tangent bundle TM at m is spanned by V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4 and one has

$$\left\{ V_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, V_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, V_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} + \sqrt{1 + x_3^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5}, V_4 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + x_4\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5} \right\}. \quad (5.32)$$

It is easy to check that ξ is transversal vector field to M and that the latter is a lightlike hypersurface with the radical distribution $Rad(TM)$ and the lightlike transversal distribution $ltr(TM)$ given by

$$\begin{aligned} Rad(TM) &= span\left\{ E = -2u_3V_1 - 2u_4V_2 - 2\sqrt{1 + u_3^2}V_3 + 2u_4V_4 \right\} \\ &= span\left\{ -2x_3\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - 2x_4\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} - 2\sqrt{1 + x_3^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2x_4\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + 2(x_4^2 - x_3^2 - 1)\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$ltr(TM) = span\left\{ N = x_3\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + x_4\frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + \sqrt{1 + x_3^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} - x_4\frac{\partial}{\partial x_4} + (x_3^2 - x_4^2 - 1)\frac{\partial}{\partial x_5} \right\}.$$

The 1-form η induced on M by $\bar{\eta}$ is given by

$$\eta = \frac{1}{2} \left(u_3 du_1 - u_4 du_2 - \sqrt{1 + u_3^2} du_3 - u_4 du_4 \right) \quad (5.33)$$

From which one gets the screen distribution $S(TM)$ which is not integrable and spanned by

$$W_1 = V_1 + \frac{u_3}{\sqrt{1 + u_3^2}} V_3, W_2 = V_2 - \frac{u_4}{\sqrt{1 + u_3^2}} V_3, W_3 = V_4 - \frac{u_4}{\sqrt{1 + u_3^2}} V_3.$$

We also compute

$$\bar{\phi}(E) = 2\alpha W_1 - 2u_4 W_2 + 2u_3 W_3, \quad \alpha = \sqrt{1 + u_3^2}$$

and deduce that the distribution D_0 is spanned by

$$\begin{aligned} & (\alpha u_3 u_4 + u_4 \alpha^2 + u_4^3 + u_3 u_4^2) W_1 - (\alpha - u_3 u_4^2 - u_4 u_3^2) W_2 \quad \text{and} \\ & (\alpha u_3 u_4 + u_4^3 - u_3 \alpha^2 + u_3 u_4^2) W_1 - (\alpha - u_3 u_4^2 - u_4 u_3^2) W_3. \end{aligned}$$

6. INTEGRABILITY OF SOME DISTRIBUTIONS OF TM .

In this section we assume that \bar{M} is para-Sasakian and investigate the conditions under which the subdistributions D_0 and D of TM introduced above are integrable distributions.

6.1. Distribution D_0 . We consider the distribution D_0 defined in (5.10) as orthogonal complementary of $\{\bar{\phi}(Rad(TM))\}$ in $S(TM)$ and we set

$$\beta = \bar{\phi}(Rad(TM)) \perp Rad(TM). \quad (6.1)$$

For all $X \in \Gamma(TM)$, $Y \in \Gamma(D_0)$ and $Z \in \Gamma(\beta)$, following the decomposition (5.11) we have

$$\nabla_X^Y = \mathring{\nabla}_X^Y + \mathring{h}(X, Y) \quad (6.2)$$

$$\nabla_X^Z = -\mathring{A}_Z(X) + \nabla_X^\beta Z \quad (6.3)$$

where $\mathring{\nabla}$ is a linear connection on D_0 , $\mathring{h} : \Gamma(TM) \times \Gamma(D_0) \rightarrow \Gamma(\beta)$ is an $C^\infty(M)$ -bilinear map, \mathring{A}_Z is $\Gamma(D_0)$ -valued $C^\infty(M)$ -linear operator on $\Gamma(TM)$ and ∇^β is a linear connection on β .

Lemma 6.1. *Let (M, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of a para-Sasakian manifold $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$, then*

$$\bar{g}((\bar{\nabla}_X^{\bar{\phi}})Y, E) = -\bar{g}(X, Y), \quad \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(TM). \quad (6.4)$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{g}((\bar{\nabla}_X^{\bar{\phi}})Y, E) &= \bar{g}(-\bar{g}(X, Y)\xi + \eta(Y)X, E) \\ &= -\bar{g}(X, Y)\bar{g}(\xi, E) + \eta(Y)\bar{g}(X, E) \\ &= -\bar{g}(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

□

According to decomposition (6.1), we set

$$\mathring{h}(X, Y) = \alpha_1(X, Y)\bar{\phi}E + \alpha_2(X, Y)E, \quad (6.5)$$

For all $X \in \Gamma(TM), Y \in \Gamma(D_0)$, where we have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1(X, Y) &= \bar{g}(\mathring{h}(X, Y), \bar{\phi}E) \\ \alpha_2(X, Y) &= \bar{g}(\mathring{h}(X, Y), N). \end{aligned} \quad (6.6)$$

By (6.2), one has

$$\nabla_X^Y = \mathring{\nabla}_X^Y + \alpha_1(X, Y)\bar{\phi}E + \alpha_2(X, Y)E. \quad (6.7)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} g(\nabla_X^Y, \bar{\phi}E) &= \bar{g}(\mathring{\nabla}_X^Y + \alpha_1(X, Y)\bar{\phi}E + \alpha_2(X, Y)E, \bar{\phi}E) \\ &= \alpha_1(X, Y), \end{aligned} \quad (6.8)$$

since $g(\phi E, \phi E) = 1$. On the other hand we can express α_1 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1(X, Y) = g(\nabla_X^Y, \bar{\phi}E) &= -\bar{g}(\bar{\phi}\nabla_X^Y, E) = -\bar{g}(-(\bar{\nabla}_X^{\bar{\phi}})Y + \bar{\nabla}_X^{\bar{\phi}Y}, E) \\ &= -\bar{g}(X, Y) + \bar{g}(\bar{\phi}Y, \bar{\nabla}_X^E), \text{ since } (\bar{\nabla}^g = 0) \\ &= -\bar{g}(X, Y) + \bar{g}(\bar{\phi}Y, -A_E^*(X) - \tau(X)E) \\ &= -\bar{g}(X, Y) - B(X, \bar{\phi}Y) \end{aligned}$$

since $g(A_E^*(X), Y) = B(X, Y)$ and D_0 is $\bar{\phi}$ -invariant. We also compute $\alpha_2(X, Y) = g(\nabla_X^Y, N) = g(\nabla_X^{*Y} + C(X, Y)E, N) = C(X, Y)$. Then

$$\mathring{h}(X, Y) = -(g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y))\bar{\phi}E + C(X, Y)E \quad (6.9)$$

and

$$\nabla_X^Y = \mathring{\nabla}_X^Y - (g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y))\bar{\phi}E + C(X, Y)E. \quad (6.10)$$

Theorem 6.2. *Let (M, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of a para-Sasakian manifold $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$.*

Then the distribution D_0 is integrable if and only if

$$C(X, Y) = C(Y, X), B(X, \bar{\phi}Y) = B(\bar{\phi}X, Y), \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D_0). \quad (6.11)$$

Proof. Let $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_0)$. Since ∇ is a torsion free connection, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [X, Y] &= \nabla_X^Y - \nabla_Y^X \\ &= \mathring{\nabla}_X^Y - \mathring{\nabla}_Y^X + B(\bar{\phi}X, Y) - B(X, \bar{\phi}Y))\bar{\phi}E \\ &\quad + (C(X, Y) - C(Y, X))E. \end{aligned} \quad (6.12)$$

from which the statement in the theorem follows. \square

Corollary 6.3. *Let $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ be a para-Sasakian manifold and (M, g) a normalized lightlike hypersurface of $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$. Then \mathring{h} is symmetric on D_0 if and only if D_0 is integrable.*

Theorem 6.4. *Let (M, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of a para-Sasakian manifold $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ such that D_0 is integrable and*

$$C(X, Y) = C(\bar{\phi}X, \bar{\phi}Y), \quad (6.13)$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_0)$. Then $\text{trace}(\mathring{h}) = -2(n-1)\bar{\phi}E$

Proof. Using decomposition (5.11), we find that $\text{rank } D_0 = 2n - 2$. Now we consider an orthonormal $\bar{\phi}$ -basis $\{e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i\}$ of D_0 , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$. We have

$$\text{trace}(\mathring{h}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mathring{h}(e_i, e_i) - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mathring{h}(\bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i).$$

Hence, using (6.9) we get

$$\mathring{h}(e_i, e_i) - \mathring{h}(\bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i) = -2\bar{\phi}E - (C(\bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i) - C(e_i, e_i))E = -2\bar{\phi}E$$

which leads to the result as stated \square

Now using decomposition (5.12) and putting

$$\nu = \bar{\phi}(\text{Rad}(TM)) \perp \{\text{Rad}(TM) \oplus \text{ltr}(TM)\}$$

for any $X \in \Gamma(TM), Y \in D_0$ and $Z \in \Gamma(\nu)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\nabla}_X^Y &= \widehat{\nabla}_X^Y PY + \widehat{h}(X, Y) \\ \bar{\nabla}_X^Z &= -\widehat{A}_Z(X) + \nabla_X^\nu Z \end{aligned}$$

where $\widehat{\nabla}$ is a linear connection on D_0 , $\widehat{h} : \Gamma(TM) \times \Gamma(D_0) \rightarrow \Gamma(\nu)$ is an $C^\infty(M)$ -bilinear map, \widehat{A}_Z is an $C^\infty(M)$ -linear operator on $\Gamma(TM)$ with values in D_0 and ∇^ν is a linear connection on ν .

We set

$$\widehat{h}(X, Y) = \beta_1(X, Y)\bar{\phi}E + \beta_2(X, Y)E + \beta_3(X, Y)N,$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_0)$. Then we easily check that

$$\beta_1(X, Y) = g(\widehat{h}(X, Y), \bar{\phi}E) = -\left(g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y)\right)\bar{\phi}E$$

$$\beta_2(X, Y) = g(\widehat{h}(X, Y), N) = C(X, Y)$$

$$\beta_3(X, Y) = g(\widehat{h}(X, Y), E) = B(X, Y).$$

$$\widehat{h}(X, Y) = -\left(g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y)\right)\bar{\phi}E + C(X, Y)E + B(X, Y)N,$$

$$\bar{\nabla}_X^Y = \widehat{\nabla}_X^Y - \left(g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y)\right)\bar{\phi}E + C(X, Y)E + B(X, Y)N.$$

Theorem 6.5. *Let (M, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of a para-Sasakian manifold $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ as above. Assume that the distribution D_0 is integrable and*

$$\begin{aligned} C(X, Y) &= C(\bar{\phi}X, \bar{\phi}Y) \\ B(X, Y) &= B(\bar{\phi}X, \bar{\phi}Y) \end{aligned}$$

for any $X, Y \in \Gamma(D_0)$. Then on D_0 we have

$$\text{trace}(\hat{h}) = -2(n-1)\bar{\phi}E.$$

Proof. We consider an orthonormal $\bar{\phi}$ -basis $\{e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i\}$ of D_0 , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$. We easily see that

$$\text{trace}(\hat{h}) = \text{trace}(\hat{h}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(-B(\bar{\phi}e_i, \bar{\phi}e_i) + B(e_i, e_i) \right) N$$

which in turn gives the result as stated \square

6.2. Distribution D. We consider the distribution D , defined by

$$D = \text{Rad}(TM) \perp D_0. \quad (6.14)$$

and recall

$$D' = \bar{\phi}(\text{Rad}(TM)), \quad TM = (D_0 \perp D') \perp \text{Rad}(TM) = D \perp D'.$$

For $X \in \Gamma(TM)$, $Y \in \Gamma(D)$ and $Z \in \Gamma(D')$, we have

$$\nabla_X^Y = \tilde{\nabla}_X^Y + \tilde{h}(X, Y) \quad (6.15)$$

$$\nabla_X^Z = -\tilde{A}_Z(X) + \nabla_X^{D'} Z \quad (6.16)$$

where $\tilde{\nabla}$ is a linear connection on D , $\tilde{h} : \Gamma(TM) \times \Gamma(D) \rightarrow \Gamma(D')$ is an $C^\infty(M)$ -bilinear map, \tilde{A}_Z is an $C^\infty(M)$ -linear operator with values in D and $\nabla^{D'}$ is a linear connection on D' . We set

$$\tilde{h}(X, Y) = \sigma_1(X, Y)\bar{\phi}E. \quad (6.17)$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1(X, Y) &= \bar{g}(\nabla_X^Y, \bar{\phi}E) = \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_X^Y - B(X, Y)N, \bar{\phi}E) = -\bar{g}(\bar{\phi}(\bar{\nabla}_X^Y), E) \\ &= \bar{g}(-(g(X, Y)\xi + \bar{\eta}(Y)X), E) - \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_X^{\bar{\phi}(Y)}, E) \\ &= -(g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y)) \end{aligned} \quad (6.18)$$

and

$$\nabla_X^Y = \tilde{\nabla}_X^Y - (g(X, Y) + B(X, \bar{\phi}Y))\bar{\phi}E. \quad (6.19)$$

Hence we have the following result:

Proposition 6.6. *Let (M, g) be a normalized lightlike hypersurface of a para-Sasakian manifold $(\bar{M}, \bar{\phi}, \xi, \bar{\eta}, \bar{g})$ as above. Then the distribution D is integrable if and only if*

$$B(X, \bar{\phi}Y) = B(\bar{\phi}X, Y), \forall X, Y \in \Gamma(D) \quad (6.20)$$

Proof. The result stated follows from Frobenius criterium for integrability and the decomposition $TM = D \perp D'$ since for all $X, Y \in \Gamma(D)$, we have

$$[X, Y] = \tilde{\nabla}_X^Y - \tilde{\nabla}_Y^X + (B(\bar{\phi}X, Y) - B(X, \bar{\phi}Y))\bar{\phi}E.$$

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