

A CHARACTERIZATION OF NORMAL FRAMED φ -MANIFOLDS

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Abstract. In this note we generalize some results concerning the adapted connections and the normality of the almost contact manifolds for the framed φ -manifolds.

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1. Preliminaries. Let M be an m -dimensional smooth manifold endowed with a tensor field φ of type $(1,1)$, satisfying the algebraic condition

$$(1.1) \quad \varphi^3 + \varphi = 0.$$

The geometric structure on M defined by φ is called a φ -structure of rank r if the rank r of φ is constant on M and, in this case, M is called a φ -manifold. It follows easily that r is an even number.

If M is a φ -manifold and if there are $m - r$ vector fields ξ_a and $m - r$ differential 1-forms η_a satisfying

$$(1.2) \quad \varphi^2 = -I + \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} \eta_a \otimes \xi_a,$$

$$(1.3) \quad \eta_a(\xi_b) = \delta_{ab},$$

where $a, b = \overline{1, m - r}$, M is said to be globally framed or to have a framed φ -structure. In this case M is called a globally framed φ -manifold or, simply,

a framed φ -manifold. From 1.2 and 1.3, one obtains, by some algebraic computations

$$(1.4) \quad \varphi\xi_a = 0, \quad \eta_a \circ \varphi = 0, \quad \varphi^3 + \varphi = 0.$$

If $m = 2n + 1$ and $\text{rank } \varphi = 2n$ one obtains an almost contact structure on M .

Let M be an m -dimensional globally framed φ -manifold with structure tensors (φ, ξ_a, η_a) with $\text{rank } \varphi = r$, and consider the manifold $M \times \mathbb{R}^{m-r}$. We denote a vector field on $M \times \mathbb{R}^{m-r}$ by $(X, \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} f_a \frac{\partial}{\partial t^a})$ where X is tangent to M , $\{t^1, \dots, t^{m-r}\}$ are the coordinates on \mathbb{R}^{m-r} and $\{f_1, \dots, f_{m-r}\}$ are functions on $M \times \mathbb{R}^{m-r}$. Define an almost complex structure on $M \times \mathbb{R}^{m-r}$ by

$$(1.5) \quad J\left(X, \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} f_a \frac{\partial}{\partial t^a}\right) = \left(\varphi X - \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} f_a \xi_a, \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} \eta_a(X) \frac{\partial}{\partial t^a}\right).$$

It is easy to check that $J^2 = -I$. If J is integrable we say that the framed φ -structure is normal. One obtains that a framed φ -structure is normal if the tensor field S , of type (1,2), defined by

$$(1.6) \quad S = N_\varphi + \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} d\eta_a \otimes \xi_a,$$

vanishes, (see [3]), where N_φ , defined by

$$(1.7) \quad N_\varphi(X, Y) = [\varphi X, \varphi Y] - \varphi[\varphi X, Y] - \varphi[X, \varphi Y] + \varphi^2[X, Y],$$

with $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, is the Nijenhuis tensor field of φ .

If g is a Riemannian metric on M such that

$$(1.8) \quad g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \sum_{a=1}^{m-r} \eta_a(X) \eta_a(Y),$$

then we say that $(\varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a, g)$ is a metric framed φ -structure and M is called a metric framed φ -manifold. The metric g is called an associated Riemannian metric. The fundamental 2-form, Ω , of the considered metric framed φ -manifold, M , is defined just like in the case of the almost Hermitian and almost contact metric manifold, by $\Omega(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y)$, for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

Using the "Det" convention for calculus of $d\Omega$ and $d\eta_a$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, just like in [1] for a metric almost contact manifold, one obtains for the covariant derivative of φ

Lemma 1.1. *If $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a, g)$ is a metric framed φ -manifold, where $a = \overline{1, s}$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} 2g((\nabla_X \varphi)Y, Z) &= d\Omega(X, \varphi Y, \varphi Z) - d\Omega(X, Y, Z) + g(N_\varphi(Y, Z), \varphi X) \\ &+ \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(\varphi Y, X)\eta_a(Z) - d\eta_a(\varphi Z, X)\eta_a(Y)] + \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(\varphi Y, Z) \\ &\quad + d\eta_a(Y, \varphi Z)]\eta_a(X). \end{aligned}$$

Finally, note that a normal metric framed φ -manifold M with structure tensors $(\varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a, g)$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, is called an \mathcal{S} -manifold if $d\eta_a = \Omega$, for any $a = \overline{1, s}$, (see [8]).

2. Adapted connections on a framed φ -manifold. It seems to be interesting to get some new results concerning the properties of framed φ -manifolds, independent of the choice of an adapted metric, in the same way as in the case of almost contact manifolds (see [2], [4], [5]).

In [4] and in [5] was introduced and studied a class of connections on an almost contact manifold, called the adapted connections. In the following we extend some of the results obtained in [4] to framed φ -manifolds.

Let $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, be a $(2n+s)$ -dimensional framed φ -manifold and let us denote by $v = \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a \otimes \xi_a$ and $h = I - \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a \otimes \xi_a$ the projectors on the distributions $\mathcal{V} = \text{span}\{\xi_a\}_{a=1}^s$ and $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{V}^\perp$, respectively. It is easy to see that

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} h^2 = h, & v^2 = v, & hv = vh = 0, \\ \varphi^2 = -h, & h\varphi = \varphi h = \varphi, & v\varphi = \varphi v = 0. \end{cases}$$

Definition 2.1. *We call a linear connection, ∇ , on the framed φ -manifold $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$ an adapted connection if, for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$,*

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{cases} (\nabla_X \varphi)Y = -\frac{1}{2}hX \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a(Y) + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(\varphi X, hY) \\ \quad - d\eta_a(X, \varphi Y)]\xi_a, \\ (\nabla_X \eta_a)(Y) = \frac{1}{4}[d\eta_a(X, Y) + d\eta_a(\varphi X, \varphi Y)], \\ \nabla_X \xi_a = -\frac{1}{2}\varphi X - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{b=1}^s d\eta_b(X, \xi_a)\xi_b, \quad a = \overline{1, s}. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see, from Lemma 1.1, that on an \mathcal{S} -manifold the Levi-Civita connection is an adapted connection.

In order to prove the existence of the adapted connections let us consider the following tensor fields of type (2,2) on the framed φ -manifold $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$ (as in [4] for an almost contact manifold).

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{cases} \Phi = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I - \varphi \otimes \varphi), \\ \Theta = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I - h \otimes h), \\ \Psi = \frac{1}{2}(I \otimes I + \varphi \otimes \varphi). \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify, working in local coordinates, that

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{cases} \Phi + \Psi = I \otimes I, \quad \Phi^2 = \Phi - \frac{1}{2}\Theta, \quad \Psi^2 = \Psi - \frac{1}{2}\Theta, \\ \Phi\Psi = \Psi\Phi = \Phi\Theta = \Theta\Phi = \Theta\Psi = \Psi\Theta = \Theta^2 = \frac{1}{2}\Theta, \\ (\Psi + \Theta) + (\Phi - \Theta) = I \otimes I, \\ (\Psi + \Theta)(\Phi - \Theta) = (\Phi - \Theta)(\Psi + \Theta) = 0, \\ (\Psi + \Theta)(\Psi + \Theta) = \Psi + \Theta, \quad (\Phi - \Theta)(\Phi - \Theta) = \Phi - \Theta. \end{cases}$$

Theorem 2.1. *If $\dot{\nabla}$ is a linear connection on a framed φ -manifold, $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, then the family of adapted connections on M is given by*

$$(2.5) \quad \nabla = \dot{\nabla} + P,$$

where P is a tensor field of type (1,2) on M , defined by $P(X, Y) = P_X(Y)$, $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, where P_X is a tensor field of type (1,1) given by

$$\begin{aligned} P_X &= \frac{1}{2}(\dot{\nabla}_X \varphi)\varphi - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^s (\dot{\nabla}_X \xi_a) \otimes \eta_a - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{a=1}^s \xi_a \otimes [i_{\varphi X} d\eta_a \circ \varphi + i_X d\eta_a] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \varphi X \otimes \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^s (\dot{\nabla}_X \eta_a) \otimes \xi_a + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b=1}^s \eta_a (\dot{\nabla}_X \xi_b) \xi_a \otimes \eta_b + (\Phi - \Theta)Q_X, \end{aligned}$$

where Q is an arbitrary tensor field of type (1,2).

Proof. Let ∇ be an adapted connection on M , given by $\nabla_X = \dot{\nabla}_X + P_X$, $X \in \chi(M)$. From (2.2) one obtains

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{cases} P_X(\xi_a) = -\frac{1}{2}\varphi X - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{b=1}^s i_X d\eta_b(\xi_a)\xi_b - \dot{\nabla}_X \xi_a, & a = \overline{1, s}, \\ P_X\varphi - \varphi P_X = -\dot{\nabla}_X \varphi - \frac{1}{2}hX \otimes \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a \\ + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{a=1}^s \xi_a \otimes [i_{\varphi X} d\eta_a - i_X d\eta_a \circ \varphi - \sum_{b=1}^s (i_{\varphi X} d\eta_a(\xi_b))\eta_b]. \end{cases}$$

From this equations one obtains, after a straightforward computation, it follows

$$(2.7) \quad P_X + \varphi P_X \varphi = (\dot{\nabla}_X \varphi)\varphi - \sum_{a=1}^s (\dot{\nabla}_X \xi_a) \otimes \eta_a - \frac{1}{2}\varphi X \otimes \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a \\ - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{a=1}^s \xi_a \otimes [i_{\varphi X} d\eta_a \circ \varphi + i_X d\eta_a].$$

This can be written

$$(2.8) \quad \Psi P_X = \frac{1}{2}A_X,$$

where A_X denotes the right side of (2.7).

Using (2.4) we have

$$(2.9) \quad 2\Theta\Psi P_X = \Theta P_X = \Theta A_X.$$

From (2.8) and (2.9) one obtains

$$(2.10) \quad (\Psi + \Theta)P_X = \frac{1}{2}A_X + \Theta A_X = B_X.$$

Using again (2.4) the expression of P_X arises, as follows,

$$P_X = B_X + (\Phi - \Theta)Q_X,$$

where Q is an arbitrary tensor field of type (1,2) and

$$B_X = A_X - \frac{1}{2}hA_X \circ h$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2}(\dot{\nabla}_X \varphi)\varphi - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^s (\dot{\nabla}_X \xi_a) \otimes \eta_a - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{a=1}^s \xi_a \otimes [i_{\varphi X} d\eta_a \circ \varphi + i_X d\eta_a] \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \varphi X \otimes \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^s (\dot{\nabla}_X \eta_a) \otimes \xi_a + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b=1}^s \eta_a (\dot{\nabla}_X \xi_b) \xi_a \otimes \eta_b.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Remark 2.2. If $\dot{\nabla}$ is an adapted connection on M then the family of adapted connections on M is given by

$$\nabla_X = \dot{\nabla}_X + (\Phi - \Theta)Q_X,$$

where Q is an arbitrary tensor field of type (1,2).

3. Adapted connections and normal framed φ -manifolds. In [4] it is proved the following result

Theorem 3.1. *An almost contact manifold (M, φ, ξ, η) is normal if and only if there exists a torsion free adapted connection on M .*

The main result in this section is a similar statement for a framed φ -manifold.

In the following, let ∇ be an adapted connection on the framed φ -manifold, $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, with the torsion tensor

$$(3.1) \quad T(X, Y) = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y],$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

Let us recall that the framed φ -manifold M is called normal if the tensor field S , defined by (1.6), vanishes.

According to (2.2) we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2) \quad S_X &= T_X + \varphi T_X \circ \varphi + \varphi T_{\varphi X} - T_{\varphi X} \circ \varphi \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^s [i_{\varphi^2 X} d\eta_a \circ \varphi^2 - i_X d\eta_a] \otimes \xi_a,
\end{aligned}$$

for any $X \in \chi(M)$, where $S_X(Y) = S(X, Y)$ and $T_X(Y) = T(X, Y)$, for any $Y \in \chi(M)$.

Proposition 3.2. *If ∇ is an adapted connection on the framed φ -manifold, $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, we have $vS_X = 2vT_X$, for any $X \in \chi(M)$.*

Proof. From (3.1) and (2.2) one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} vT(X, Y) &= \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a(T(X, Y))\xi_a = \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a(\nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y])\xi_a \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(X, Y) - (\nabla_X \eta_a)(Y) + (\nabla_Y \eta_a)(X)]\xi_a \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2}d\eta_a(X, Y) - \frac{1}{2}d\eta_a(\varphi X, \varphi Y)]\xi_a \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(X, Y) - d\eta_a(\varphi X, \varphi Y)]\xi_a, \end{aligned}$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} vS(X, Y) &= \sum_{a=1}^s \eta_a(S(X, Y))\xi_a = \sum_{a=1}^s \{\eta_a([\varphi X, \varphi Y]) + d\eta_a(X, Y)\}\xi_a \\ &= \sum_{a=1}^s [d\eta_a(X, Y) - d\eta_a(\varphi X, \varphi Y)]\xi_a = 2vT(X, Y), \end{aligned}$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$. □

Now, using (3.2), it is easy to see that

$$(3.3) \quad hS_X = hT_X + \varphi T_X \circ \varphi + \varphi T_{\varphi X} - hT_{\varphi X} \circ \varphi.$$

From (3.3) and Proposition 3.2 one obtains

Proposition 3.3. *If on a framed φ -manifold, $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$, there exists a torsion free adapted connection, then M is normal.*

Now, in order to obtain the expression of hS_X , we use that $\varphi \otimes \varphi = h \otimes h - 2(\Phi - \Theta)$, and we have

$$(3.4) \quad (\varphi T_X \circ \varphi)(Y) = (hT_X - \sum_{a=1}^s hT_X(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(Y) - 2(\Phi - \Theta)_Y T_X,$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$, where $(\Phi - \Theta)_Y$ is a tensor field of type (2,1), defined by $(\Phi - \Theta)_Y(X) = (\Phi - \Theta)(Y, X)$.

Using the properties of the projector h , from (3.4), it follows, after a straightforward computation,

$$(3.5) \quad (hT_{\varphi X} \circ \varphi)(Y) = (-hT_X + \sum_{a=1}^s hT_X(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(Y) \\ - (\sum_{a=1}^s hT_Y(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(X) + 2(\Phi - \Theta)_Y(\varphi T_{\varphi X}) - 2(\Phi - \Theta)_X T_{hY} + hT_{vY}(vX).$$

Since T is skew-symmetric we can write

$$(3.6) \quad 2(hT_{\varphi X} \circ \varphi)(Y) = (hT_{\varphi X} \circ \varphi)(Y) - (hT_{\varphi Y} \circ \varphi)(X).$$

From (3.5) and (3.6) one obtains

$$(3.7) \quad (hT_{\varphi X} \circ \varphi)(Y) = (-hT_X + \sum_{a=1}^s hT_X(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(Y) - hT_{vX}(vY) \\ - (\sum_{a=1}^s hT_Y(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(X) - (\Phi - \Theta)_X(T_{hY} + \varphi T_{\varphi Y}) + (\Phi - \Theta)_Y(T_{hX} + \varphi T_{\varphi X}).$$

Finally, from (3.3), (3.4) and (3.7), we have

$$(3.8) \quad hS_X(Y) = (4hT_X - 2 \sum_{a=1}^s hT_X(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(Y) \\ + 2(\sum_{a=1}^s hT_Y(\xi_a) \otimes \eta_a)(X) + (\Phi - \Theta)_X(2T_Y + T_{hY} + \varphi T_{\varphi Y}) \\ - (\Phi - \Theta)_Y(2T_X + T_{hX} + \varphi T_{\varphi X}) + hT_{vX}(vY).$$

Also, one obtains

$$(3.9) \quad hS_X(\xi_a) = 2hT_X(\xi_a) - hT_{vX}(\xi_a) + 2(\Phi - \Theta)_X T_{\xi_a},$$

for any $a = \overline{1, s}$.

From (3.8) and (3.9) it follows

$$(3.10) \quad (hS_X + hS_X \circ v + hS_{vX} + hS_{vX} \circ v)(Y) = 4hT_X(Y)$$

$$-(\Phi - \Theta)_Y(3T_X + \varphi T_{\varphi X} + T_{vX}) + (\Phi - \Theta)_X(3T_Y + \varphi T_{\varphi Y} + T_{vY}),$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

If the framed φ -manifold M is normal we obtain, from Proposition 3.2 and (3.10)

$$\begin{cases} vT_X(Y) = 0, \\ hT_X(Y) - \frac{1}{4}(\Phi - \Theta)_Y(3T_X + \varphi T_{\varphi X} + T_{vX}) \\ + \frac{1}{4}(\Phi - \Theta)_X(3T_Y + \varphi T_{\varphi Y} + T_{vY}) = 0, \end{cases}$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$.

Let us consider the connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ on M , given by

$$\tilde{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y - \frac{1}{4}(\Phi - \Theta)_Y(3T_X + \varphi T_{\varphi X} + T_{vX}),$$

for any $X, Y \in \chi(M)$. It is easy to verify that the torsion of $\tilde{\nabla}$ vanishes and, from Remark 2.2, $\tilde{\nabla}$ is an adapted connection on M .

Taking account of the properties of the connection $\tilde{\nabla}$ and the Proposition 3.3 we can state the following

Theorem 3.4. *A framed φ -manifold, $(M, \varphi, \xi_a, \eta_a)$, $a = \overline{1, s}$, is normal if and only if there exists a torsion free adapted connection on M .*

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