



# A Note on Semi-Symmetric Metric Connection in Riemannian Manifold

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**Abstract** In this paper we have discussed the Riemannian manifolds admitting a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  by taking  $\rho$  as a unit parallel vector field with respect to Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$ . We found that the manifold  $M$  be concircular semi-symmetric with respect to Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  if and only if it is semi-symmetric with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $M$  be a quasi-Einstein manifold if it will be concircularly-flat with respect to semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . Also, we have shown that a semi-symmetric manifold  $M$  be a conformally-flat quasi-Einstein manifold under the condition  $R \cdot \bar{C} = 0$  or  $R \cdot \bar{C} - C \cdot \bar{R} = 0$  for a concircular curvature tensor  $C$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $(M, g)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold with Riemannian connection  $\nabla$ . The *torsion tensor*  $T$  of the connection  $\nabla$  in a Riemannian manifold is defined by

$$T(X, Y) = \nabla_X Y - \nabla_Y X - [X, Y], \quad (1.1)$$

where  $X$  and  $Y$  are vector fields.

In 1932, Hayden introduced the idea of metric connection with non-vanishing torsion tensor on a Riemannian manifold. The basic concept of a semi-symmetric linear connection in a differentiable manifold, is given by Friedmann and Shouten in 1924. A linear connection  $\nabla$  is said to be a *semi-symmetric connection* if the torsion tensor of the connection has the form

$$T(X, Y) = \omega(Y)X - \omega(X)Y. \quad (1.2)$$

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A connection is said to be a *metric connection* if the covariant derivative of a Riemannian metric  $g$  vanishes, i. e.,  $\nabla g = 0$ .

In 1970, Yano [1] discussed the Riemannian manifold admitting a semi-symmetric metric connection with vanishing curvature tensor and proved certain results. Recently, the semi-symmetric metric connection is studied by U. C. De and S. C. Biswas [2] in a Riemannian manifold, a semi-symmetric non-metric connection by B. B. Chaturvedi and P. N. Pandey [3]. In 2008, C. Murathan and C. Özgür [4] considered the semi-symmetric metric connection with a unit parallel vector field  $\rho$  and obtained some interesting results on a Riemannian manifold. In 2014, Ahmet Yildiz and Azime cetinkaya [5] found some conditions on a Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection to be Projectively semi-symmetric manifold, conformally flat and quasi-Einstein manifold.

If a Riemannian manifold satisfies  $R.R = 0$  then it is said to be a *semi-symmetric manifold*. For a concircular tensor  $C$ , the Riemannian manifold is called *concircular semi-symmetric manifold* if  $R.C = 0$ .

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

If the Ricci tensor  $S$  of the connection  $\nabla$  in a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  satisfies

$$S = \frac{r}{n} g(X, Y), \quad (2.1)$$

then the manifold is called an *Einstein manifold*, where  $r$  is the scalar curvature tensor. A manifold is called a *quasi-Einstein manifold* if the Ricci tensor have the form

$$S(X, Y) = ag(X, Y) + b\omega(X)\omega(Y), \quad (2.2)$$

where  $a, b$  are scalars and  $\omega$  is a non-zero 1-form.

Deszcz, R. [6] defined two tensor fields  $R.T$  and  $Q(E, T)$  for a tensor field  $T$  of type  $(0, k)$  and  $(0, k + 2), k \geq 1$  on  $(M, g)$  respectively by

$$\begin{aligned} (R(X, Y)T)(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) &= -T(R(X, Y)X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) - \dots\dots\dots \\ &\quad - T(X_1, X_2, \dots, R(X, Y)X_k), \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} Q(E, T)(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k, X, Y) &= -T((X \wedge_E Y)X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) - \dots\dots\dots \\ &\quad - T(X_1, X_2, \dots, (X \wedge_E Y)X_k). \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Where  $X \wedge_E Y$  defined by

$$(X \wedge_E Y)Z = E(Y, Z)X - E(X, Z)Y, \quad (2.5)$$

for a tensor field  $E$  of type  $(0, 2)$ .

The Weyl tensor  $W$  and the concircular tensor  $C$  of a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} W(X, Y, Z, T) &= R(X, Y, Z, T) - \frac{1}{n-2} [S(Y, Z)g(X, T) - S(X, Z)g(Y, T) \\ &\quad + g(Y, Z)S(X, T) - g(X, Z)S(Y, T)] \\ &\quad + \frac{r}{(n-1)(n-2)} [g(Y, Z)g(X, T) - g(X, Z)g(Y, T)] \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

and

$$C(X, Y, Z, T) = R(X, Y, Z, T) - \frac{r}{n(n-1)} [g(Y, Z)g(X, T) - g(X, Z)g(Y, T)], \tag{2.7}$$

where  $r$  denotes the scalar curvature of  $M$ .

Deszcz, R. gave two lemmas as follows:

**Lemma 2.1** ([7]). *Let  $(M, g)$  be an  $n \geq 3$  dimensional Riemannian manifold. Let at a point  $x \in M$ , a non-zero symmetric tensor  $E$  of type  $(0, 2)$  and a generalized curvature tensor  $B$  are given such that  $Q(E, B) = 0$ . Moreover, let  $V$  be a vector at  $x$  such that the scalar  $\rho = a(V)$  is non zero, where  $a$  is defined by  $a(X) = E(X, V)$ ,  $X \in T_X M$ .*

- i) If  $E = \frac{1}{\rho} a \otimes a$ , then at  $x$  we have  ${}_X Y, Z a(X)B(Y, Z)$  where  $X, Y, Z \in T_X M$ .*
- ii) If  $E - \frac{1}{\rho} a \otimes a$  is non-zero, then at  $x$  we have  $B = \frac{\gamma}{2} E \wedge E$ ,  $\gamma \in R$ . Moreover, in both cases, at  $x$  we have  $B.B = Q(\text{Ric}(B), B)$ .*

**Lemma 2.2** ([8]). *Let  $(M, g)$  be an  $n \geq 4$  dimensional semi-Riemannian manifold and  $E$  be the symmetric tensor of type  $(0, 2)$  at  $x \in M$  defined by  $E = \alpha g + \beta \omega \otimes \omega$ ,  $\omega \in T_X M$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in R$ . If at  $x$ , the curvature tensor  $R$  is expressed by  $R = \frac{\gamma}{2} E \wedge E$ ,  $\gamma \in R$ , then the Weyl tensor vanishes at  $x$ .*

### 3. SEMI-SYMMETRIC METRIC CONNECTION

If  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection of a Riemannian manifold  $M$ , then we define

$$\bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \omega(Y)X - g(X, Y)\rho, \tag{3.1}$$

where  $\omega(X) = g(X, \rho)$  and  $X, Y, \rho$  are vector fields on  $M$ . If  $R$  and  $\bar{R}$  be the Riemannian curvature tensor with respect to  $\nabla$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  respectively, then Yano K. [9] derived a relation between  $R$  and  $\bar{R}$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(X, Y, Z, T) = & R(X, Y, Z, T) - \theta(Y, Z)g(X, T) + \theta(X, Z)g(Y, T) \\ & - g(Y, Z)\theta(X, T) + g(X, Z)\theta(Y, T), \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

where

$$\theta(X, Y) = (\nabla_X \omega)Y - \omega(X)\omega(Y) + \frac{1}{2}g(X, Y). \tag{3.3}$$

Now, if  $\rho$  be a parallel unit vector field with respect to the connection  $\nabla$ , then

$$\nabla \rho = 0 \text{ and } ||U|| = 1. \tag{3.4}$$

From (3.4), we can easily determine

$$(\nabla_X \omega)Y = 0. \tag{3.5}$$

Now from equation (3.3), we have  $\theta$  is a symmetric tensor field of type  $(0, 2)$ .

We know that the Kulkarni-Nomizu product  $\bar{\wedge}$  of two tensors of type  $(0, 2)$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} (g\bar{\wedge}\theta)(X, Y, Z, T) = & \theta(Y, Z)g(X, T) - \theta(X, Z)g(Y, T) + \\ & g(Y, Z)\theta(X, T) - g(X, Z)\theta(Y, T). \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

Then equation (3.2) can be written as

$$\bar{R}(X, Y, Z, T) = R(X, Y, Z, T) - (g\bar{\wedge}\theta)(X, Y, Z, T). \tag{3.7}$$

By straight forward calculation, we can easily write

$$R(X, Y)\rho = 0. \tag{3.8}$$

Contracting above equation, we get

$$S(Y, \rho) = \omega(LY) = 0, \quad (3.9)$$

where  $S$  denotes the Ricci tensor of the connection  $\nabla$  and  $L$  is the Ricci operator defined by  $g(LX, Y) = S(X, Y)$ .

Contracting (3.2), we have

$$\bar{S}(Y, Z) = S(Y, Z) - (n-2)[g(Y, Z) - \omega(Y)\omega(Z)], \quad (3.10)$$

and

$$\bar{r} = r - (n-1)(n-2). \quad (3.11)$$

Using (3.7), (3.10) and (3.11), we obtained

$$\bar{W}(X, Y, Z, T) = W(X, Y, Z, T), \quad (3.12)$$

and

$$\bar{C}(X, Y, Z, T) = C(X, Y, Z, T) - (g\bar{\wedge}\theta)(X, Y, Z, T) + G(X, Y, Z, T), \quad (3.13)$$

where

$$G(X, Y, Z, T) = \frac{(n-2)}{n}[g(Y, Z)g(X, T) - g(X, Z)g(Y, T)]. \quad (3.14)$$

From equation (3.13), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{C}(X, Y)Z &= C(X, Y)Z + g(Y, Z)\omega(X)\rho - g(X, Z)\omega(Y)\rho \\ &+ \omega(Y)\omega(Z)X - \omega(X)\omega(Z)Y - \frac{2}{n}[g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

Using (2.3) and (2.4) in (3.14), two important conditions also can be obtained easily

$$(R(X, Y)G)(Z, T, U, V) = 0, \quad (3.16)$$

and

$$(G(X, Y)R)(Z, T, U, V) = \frac{(n-2)}{n}Q(g, R)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y). \quad (3.17)$$

And from (2.3), (2.4) and (2.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (C(X, Y)R)(Z, T, U, V) &= (R(X, Y)R)(Z, T, U, V) \\ &- \frac{r}{n(n-1)}Q(g, R)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y). \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

#### 4. CONCIRCULAR SEMI-SYMMETRIC MANIFOLD AND QUASI-EINSTEIN MANIFOLD

From equation (2.3), we can write

$$\begin{aligned} (R(X, Y)C)(Z, T, U, V) &= -C(R(X, Y)Z, T, U, V) - C(Z, R(X, Y)T, U, V) \\ &- C(Z, T, R(X, Y)U, T) - C(Z, T, U, R(X, Y)V). \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

Using (2.7) in above equation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (R(X, Y)C)(Z, T, U, V) &= -R(R(X, Y)Z, T, U, V) - R(Z, R(X, Y)T, U, V) \\ &- R(Z, T, R(X, Y)U, T) - R(Z, T, U, R(X, Y)V). \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

Using (2.3) in (4.2), we get

$$(R(X, Y)C)(Z, T, U, V) = (R(X, Y)R)(Z, T, U, V). \tag{4.3}$$

The above equation shows that  $R.C$  vanishes if and only if  $R.R$  vanishes. Hence we can state:

**Theorem 4.1.** *If  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold, then  $M$  be a concircular semi-symmetric manifold with respect to the the connection  $\nabla$  if and only if it is a semi-symmetric manifold with respect to  $\nabla$ .*

Now we can compose:

**Theorem 4.2.** *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . If the manifold  $M$  be a concircularly flat manifold with respect to  $\bar{\nabla}$ , then  $M$  is a quasi-Einstein manifold with respect to  $\nabla$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ .

Then from equation (2.7), we have

$$\bar{C}(X, Y, Z, T) = \bar{R}(X, Y, Z, T) - \frac{\bar{r}}{n(n-1)}[g(Y, Z)g(X, T) - g(X, Z)g(Y, T)]. \tag{4.4}$$

Using (3.2) and (3.11) in (4.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{C}(X, Y, Z, T) = & R(X, Y, Z, T) + \omega(X)\omega(T)g(Y, Z) - \omega(Y)\omega(T)g(X, Z) \\ & + \omega(Y)\omega(Z)g(X, T) - \omega(X)\omega(Z)g(Y, T) \\ & - \frac{(r + 2n - 2)}{n(n-1)}[g(Y, Z)g(X, T) - g(X, Z)g(Y, T)]. \end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

If the manifold  $M$  be concircularly flat with respect to semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ , then from (4.5) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} R(X, Y, Z, T) = & \omega(Y)\omega(T)g(X, Z) - \omega(X)\omega(T)g(Y, Z) \\ & + \omega(X)\omega(Z)g(Y, T) - \omega(Y)\omega(Z)g(X, T) \\ & + \frac{(r + 2n - 2)}{n(n-1)}[g(Y, Z)g(X, T) - g(X, Z)g(Y, T)]. \end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

Putting  $X = T = e_i$  and taking summation over  $i$  from 1 to  $n$  in (4.6), we get

$$S(Y, Z) = -\frac{(r - n^2 + 2n - 2)}{n}g(Y, Z) - (n - 2)\omega(Y)\omega(Z). \tag{4.7}$$

Hence the manifold  $M$  is a quasi-Einstein manifold. ■

### 5. CONFORMALLY-FLAT QUASI-EINSTEIN MANIFOLD

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . If  $\rho$  is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the connection  $\nabla$ , then the following two relations hold:*

$$(i) (R(X, Y)\bar{C})(Z, T, U, V) = (R(X, Y)C)(Z, T, U, V), \tag{5.1}$$

and

$$(ii) \quad (\overline{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = (C(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) \\ - Q\left(\frac{2}{n}g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y). \quad (5.2)$$

*Proof.* Since  $\rho$  is a parallel unit vector field, we have

$$(R(X, Y) \theta)(Z, T) = 0 \text{ and } (R(X, Y) G)(Z, T, U, V) = 0. \quad (5.3)$$

Now, from (2.3) and (3.13), we can write

$$(R(X, Y) \overline{C})(Z, T, U, V) = (R(X, Y) C)(Z, T, U, V) \\ - g(Z, T) \wedge (R(X, Y) \theta)(U, V) - (R(X, Y) G)(Z, T, U, V). \quad (5.4)$$

Using (5.3) in (5.4), we get

$$(R(X, Y) \overline{C})(Z, T, U, V) = (R(X, Y) C)(Z, T, U, V). \quad (5.5)$$

Hence the first part of the theorem is completed.

Again from (2.3) and (3.13), we can write

$$(\overline{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = -R(\overline{C}(X, Y)Z, T, U, V) - R(Z, \overline{C}(X, Y)T, U, V) \\ - R(Z, T, \overline{C}(X, Y)U, V) - R(Z, T, U, \overline{C}(X, Y)V). \quad (5.6)$$

Using (3.15) in (5.6), we have

$$(\overline{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = (C(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) \\ + \omega(X)\omega(Z)R(Y, T, U, V) - \omega(Y)\omega(Z)R(X, T, U, V) \\ + \omega(X)\omega(T)R(Z, Y, U, V) - \omega(Y)\omega(T)R(Z, X, U, V) \\ + \omega(X)\omega(U)R(Z, T, Y, V) - \omega(Y)\omega(U)R(Z, T, X, V) \\ + \omega(X)\omega(V)R(Z, T, U, Y) - \omega(Y)\omega(V)R(Z, T, U, X) \\ - \frac{2}{n}[g(X, Z)R(Y, T, U, V) - g(Y, Z)R(X, T, U, V) \\ + g(X, T)R(Z, Y, U, V) - g(Y, T)R(Z, X, U, V) \\ + g(X, U)R(Z, T, Y, V) - g(Y, U)R(Z, T, X, V) \\ + g(X, V)R(Z, T, U, Y) - g(Y, V)R(Z, T, U, X)]. \quad (5.7)$$

Using (2.4) in (5.7), we get

$$(\overline{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = (C(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) \\ - Q(g - \omega \otimes \omega, R)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) \\ + (G(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V). \quad (5.8)$$

Using (3.17) in (5.8), we have

$$(\overline{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = (C(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) \\ - Q\left(\frac{2}{n}g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y). \quad (5.9)$$

Hence the second part of the theorem is completed. ■

Now, from above theorem, we can state:

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . If  $\rho$  is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the connection  $\nabla$ , then  $M$  be a concircular semi-symmetric manifold if and only if*

$$(R(X, Y) \bar{C})(Z, T, U, V) = 0. \tag{5.10}$$

**Theorem 5.3.** *Let  $(M, g)$  be an  $n > 3$  dimensional semi-symmetric Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . If  $\rho$  is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the connection  $\nabla$  and  $(\bar{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = 0$  then  $M$  be a conformally flat quasi-Einstein manifold.*

*Proof.* Since  $(\bar{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = 0$ , from equation (5.2) we can write

$$(C(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = Q\left(\frac{2}{n}g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y). \tag{5.11}$$

Using (3.18) in (5.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (R(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) - \frac{r}{n(n-1)}Q(g, R)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) \\ = Q\left(\frac{2}{n}g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y). \end{aligned} \tag{5.12}$$

Since the manifold  $M$  is semi-symmetric, from (5.12) we have

$$\frac{r}{n(n-1)}Q(g, R)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) + Q\left(\frac{2}{n}g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) = 0. \tag{5.13}$$

From (5.13), we can write easily

$$Q\left(\frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)}g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) = 0. \tag{5.14}$$

equation (5.14) implies that one of the following two conditions may hold,

either (i)  $\text{rank} \left(\frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)}g - \omega \otimes \omega\right)(Z, T) = 1$ ,

or (ii)  $\text{rank} \left(\frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)}g - \omega \otimes \omega\right)(Z, T) \geq 1$ .

But the first condition can never hold, because if (i) hold, then at a point  $x$

$$\frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)}g - \omega \otimes \omega = \lambda z \otimes z, \tag{5.15}$$

for  $z \in T_x M$  and  $\lambda \in R$ .

which gives contradiction due to non-zero coefficient of  $g$ .

Because if  $\frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)} = 0$  then we have  $r = -2(n-1)$  which gives negative values of  $r$  for  $n > 3$ . Hence the condition (ii) must hold and then from Lemma (2.1) we can write

$$R(X, Y, Z, T) = \frac{\mu}{2}(g - \omega \otimes \omega) \wedge (g - \omega \otimes \omega)(X, Y, Z, T), \tag{5.16}$$

for  $\mu (\neq 0) \in R$ .

Again using Lemma (2.2), we have

$$W(X, Y, Z, T) = 0. \tag{5.17}$$

Hence the manifold  $M$  is a conformally-flat manifold.

Now putting  $Z = V = e_i$  in (5.14) and taking summation over  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)} [g(X, T)S(Y, U) - g(Y, T)S(X, U) \\ & + g(X, U)S(Y, T) - g(Y, U)S(T, X)] \\ & + \omega(Y)\omega(T)S(X, U) - \omega(X)\omega(T)S(Y, U) \\ & + \omega(Y)\omega(U)S(T, X) - \omega(X)\omega(U)S(T, Y) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (5.18)$$

Again putting  $X = T = e_i$  in equation (5.18) and summing over  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ , we have

$$S(Y, U) = \frac{r}{(r+n-1)} \left[ \frac{(r+2n-2)}{n} g(Y, U) - (n-1)\omega(Y)\omega(U) \right]. \quad (5.19)$$

Equations (5.17) and (5.19) imply, the manifold  $M$  is a conformally-flat quasi-Einstein manifold. ■

**Theorem 5.4.** *Let  $(M, g)$  be an  $n > 3$  dimensional Riemannian manifold equipped with a semi-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . If  $\rho$  is a parallel unit vector field with respect to the connection  $\nabla$  and  $(R(X, Y) \bar{C})(Z, T, U, V) - (\bar{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = 0$ , then  $M$  be a conformally-flat quasi-Einstein manifold.*

*Proof.* Since  $(R(X, Y) \bar{C})(Z, T, U, V) - (\bar{C}(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) = 0$ , from (5.1) and (5.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (R(X, Y) C)(Z, T, U, V) - (C(X, Y) R)(Z, T, U, V) \\ & + Q\left(\frac{2}{n} g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (5.20)$$

Using (3.18) and (4.3) in (5.20), we get

$$Q\left(\frac{(r+2n-2)}{n(n-1)} g - \omega \otimes \omega, R\right)(Z, T, U, V, X, Y) = 0. \quad (5.21)$$

Now using the method of proof of theorem (5.3), we can prove easily that the manifold  $M$  is a conformally-flat quasi-Einstein manifold. ■

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