FACTA UNIVERSITATIS (NIŠ) SER. MATH. INFORM. Vol. 33, No 4 (2018), 587–597 https://doi.org/10.22190/FUMI1804587N

# SOME RESULTS ON $(k, \mu)'$ -ALMOST KENMOTSU MANIFOLDS \*

Wenfeng Ning, Ximin Liu and Jin Li

Abstract. In this paper, we study the quasi-conformal curvature tensor  $\tilde{C}$  and projective curvature tensor P on a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension greater than 3. We obtain that if  $M^{2n+1}$  is non-Kenmotsu and satisfies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$  or  $P \cdot P = 0$ , then it is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Keywords**: Almost Kenmotsu manifold,  $(k, \mu)'$ -nullity condition, quasi-conformal curvature tensor, projective curvature tensor.

### 1. Introduction

In 1972, K. Kenmotsu introduced a new class of almost contact metric manifolds, nowadays known as Kenmotsu manifolds [8]. The concept of almost Kenmotsu manifolds, regarded as a generalization of Kenmotsu manifolds, was studied by Janssens and Vanhecke (see [4]). In 2007, Pitiş [7] published a book containing many systematic studies related to Kenmotsu manifolds. Some geometric properties and fundamental formulas of almost Kenmotsu manifolds were obtained by Kim and Pak [11] and Pastore et al. [5, 6]. Several authors studied almost Kenmotsu manifolds considering some curvature conditions (see [12, 13, 14]). Recently, some curvature properties of some types of almost Kenmotsu manifolds were obtained by Wang and Liu in [15, 16, 17, 18].

The projective curvature tensor is an important tensor from the differential geometric point of view. Let M be a (2n + 1)-dimensional Riemannian manifold. If there exists a one-to-one correspondence between each coordinate neighbourhood of M and a domain in Euclidian space such that any geodesic of the Riemannian manifold corresponds to a straight line in the Euclidean space, then M is said to be locally projectively flat (see [2]). For  $n \geq 1$ , M is locally projectively flat if and

Received March 12, 2018; accepted May 15, 2018

<sup>2010</sup> Mathematics Subject Classification. Primary 53D15; Secondary 53C25

<sup>\*</sup>The authors were supported in part by the National Natural Science Foundation of China (No. 11431009)

W. Ning, X. and J. Li

only if the projective curvature tensor P vanishes. Here P is defined by

(1.1) 
$$P(X,Y)U = R(X,Y)U - \frac{1}{2n}[S(Y,U)X - S(X,U)Y]$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, U \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where S is the Ricci tensor of M.

The Weyl conformal curvature tensor C on a  $(2n+1)\mbox{-dimensional manifold}\ M$  is defined by [20]

(1.2)  
$$C(X,Y)Z = R(X,Y)Z + \frac{r}{2n(2n-1)}[g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] \\ - \frac{1}{2n-1}[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY]$$

for any vector fields X, Y, Z on M, where S, Q and r denote the Ricci curvature tensor, the Ricci operator with respect to the metric g and the scalar curvature, respectively. Note that the Weyl conformal curvature tensor on any three dimension Riemannian manifold vanishes.

For a (2n+1)-dimensional manifold M, the quasi-conformal curvature tensor  $\tilde{C}$  is defined by [21]

(1.3) 
$$\tilde{C}(X,Y)Z = aR(X,Y)Z - \frac{r}{2n+1}[\frac{a}{2n} + 2b][g(Y,Z)X - g(X,Z)Y] + b[S(Y,Z)X - S(X,Z)Y + g(Y,Z)QX - g(X,Z)QY],$$

where a and b are two constants. If a = 1 and  $b = -\frac{1}{2n-1}$ , then the quasi-conformal curvature tensor reduces to the Weyl conformal curvature tensor.

In this paper, we aim to extend some known results regarding the projective and quasi-conformal curvature tensor on Kenmotsu manifolds (see [1, 2, 9, 10]) to a class of almost Kenmotsu manifolds. In Section 2, we recall some basic formulas and properties of almost Kenmotsu manifolds and the notion of  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds. In Section 3, we introduce some properties of such manifolds used to prove our main results. In Section 4 and 5, we classify almost Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$  and  $P \cdot P = 0$ , respectively.

#### 2. Almost Kenmotsu manifolds

Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be an almost contact metric manifold of dimension 2n + 1, equipped with an almost contact metric structure  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  (see [3]) satisfying

(2.1) 
$$\phi^2 = -\mathrm{id} + \eta \otimes \xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = 1, \quad \eta \circ \xi = 0, \quad \phi \xi = 0,$$

(2.2) 
$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), \quad \eta(X) = g(X, \xi)$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where  $\phi, \xi, \eta, g$  and  $\mathfrak{X}(M)$  denote a (1, 1)-tensor field, a vector field, a 1-form, the Riemannian metric and the Lie algebra of all differentiable vector fields on  $M^{2n+1}$ , respectively.

The fundamental 2-form  $\Phi$  of an almost contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  is defined by  $\Phi(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y)$  for any fields  $X,Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ .  $M^{2n+1}$  is called an almost Kenmotsu manifold if  $d\eta = 0$  and  $d\Phi = 2\eta \wedge \Phi$ . The almost contact metric manifold is said to be normal if the Nijenhuis tensor of  $\phi$  is given by  $[\phi,\phi] = -2d\eta \otimes \xi$ , where  $[\phi,\phi](X,Y) = \phi^2[X,Y] + [\phi X,\phi Y] - \phi[\phi X,Y] - \phi[X,\phi Y]$ . A normal almost Kenmotsu manifold is said to be a Kenmotsu manifold [4].

On an almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , the two (1, 1)-type tensor fields  $l = R(\cdot,\xi)\xi$  and  $h = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\phi$  are symmetric, where R is the Riemannian curvature tensor of g and  $\mathcal{L}$  is the Lie differentiation. Then we get

(2.3) 
$$h\xi = 0, \quad l\xi = 0, \quad tr(h) = 0, \quad tr(h\phi) = 0, \quad h\phi + \phi h = 0.$$

We also have the following formulas presented in [5, 6]:

(2.4) 
$$\nabla_X \xi = -\phi^2 X - \phi h X (\Rightarrow \nabla_\xi \xi = 0)$$

(2.5) 
$$\phi l \phi - l = 2(h^2 - \phi^2),$$

(2.6) 
$$trl = S(\xi, \xi) = g(Q\xi, \xi) = -2n - trh^2,$$

(2.7) 
$$R(X,Y)\xi = \eta(X)(Y+h'Y) - \eta(Y)(X+h'X) + (\nabla_X h')Y - (\nabla_Y h')X$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ , where  $h' = h \circ \phi$  and  $S, Q, \nabla, \mathfrak{X}(M)$  denote the Ricci tensor, the Ricci operator with respect to g, the Levi-Civita connection of g and the Lie algebra of all vector fields on  $M^{2n+1}$ , respectively.

## 3. Some properties of $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds

If the characteristic vector field  $\xi$  of an almost Kenmotsu manifold  $(M^{2n+1}, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  satisfies the  $(k, \mu)'$ -nullity condition (see [6]), then it is called a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold. The  $(k, \mu)'$ -nullity condition is defined as follows:

(3.1) 
$$R(X,Y)\xi = k[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + \mu[\eta(Y)h'X - \eta(X)h'Y]$$

for any vector fields X, Y, where both k and  $\mu$  are constant on  $M^{2n+1}$ .  $M^{2n+1}$  is said to be a  $(k, \mu)$ -almost manifold Kenmotsu manifold if there holds  $R(X, Y)\xi = k[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y] + \mu[\eta(Y)hX - \eta(X)hY]$  for any vector fields X, Y and  $k, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ . A  $(k, \mu)$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold satisfies k = -1 and h = 0 (see [6]). A  $(k, \mu)$ almost Kenmotsu manifold is a special case of  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds. Following [6], on any  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$ , we have

(3.2) 
$$h^{\prime 2}X = -(k+1)X + (k+1)\eta(X)\xi$$

for any vector field  $X \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$  and  $\mu = -2$ . From (3.2), we know that h' = 0 is equivalent to k = -1 and  $h' \neq 0$  everywhere if and only if k < -1. Furthermore,

by (3.1) and the symmetry of the Riemannian curvature tensor R, it is easy to see that

(3.3) 
$$R(\xi, X)Y = k[g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)X] - 2[g(h'X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)h'X]$$

for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . In case of k < -1, we denote by  $[\lambda]'$  and  $[-\lambda]'$  the eigenspaces of h' corresponding two eigenvalues  $\lambda > 0$  and  $-\lambda$ , respectively. Obviously, by (3.2), we have

$$\lambda = \sqrt{-k-1} > 0.$$

Before presenting one of our main results, we give the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** [6, Proposition 4.2] Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold such that h' = 0. Then, for any  $X_{\lambda}, Y_{\lambda}, Z_{\lambda} \in [\lambda]'$  and  $X_{-\lambda}, Y_{-\lambda}, Z_{-\lambda} \in [-\lambda]'$ , the Riemannian curvature tensor satisfies

**Lemma 3.2.** [18, Lemma 3.2] Let  $M^{2n+1}$  be a  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold such that  $h' \neq 0$ . Then the Ricci operator of  $M^{2n+1}$  is given by

$$(3.11) \qquad \qquad Q = -2nid + 2n(k+1)\eta \otimes \xi - 2nh'.$$

Moreover, the scalar curvature of  $M^{2n+1}$  is 2n(k-2n).

*Proof.* See the proof of [19, Lemma 3.2].  $\Box$ 

## 4. $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying $R(X, Y) \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$

In this section, we consider a non-Kenmotsu  $(k,\mu)'\text{-almost}$  Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfying the condition

(4.1) 
$$R(X,Y) \cdot \tilde{C} = 0,$$

or equivalently

(4.2)  

$$(R(X,Y) \cdot \tilde{C})(U,V)W = R(X,Y)\tilde{C}(U,V)W - \tilde{C}(R(X,Y)U,V)W - \tilde{C}(U,R(X,Y)V)W - \tilde{C}(U,V)R(X,Y)W = 0$$

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

From the definition of  $\tilde{C}$  (see (1.3)), we have

(4.3)  

$$\tilde{C}(\xi,Y)Z = [ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb]g(Y,Z)\xi
- [ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb]\eta(Z)Y
- (-a\mu + 2nb)g(h'Y,Z)\xi + (-a\mu + 2nb)\eta(Z)h'Y,$$

(4.4)  

$$\tilde{C}(\xi, Y)\xi = [ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb]\eta(Y)\xi$$

$$- [ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb]Y$$

$$+ (-a\mu + 2nb)h'Y,$$

where r, a and b denote the scalar curvature and two constants, respectively. Let us denote by  $A = [ak - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n} + 2b) + 2nkb - 2nb], B = -A, D = (-a\mu + 2nb)$  and E = -D.

Substituting  $X = U = \xi$  in (4.2) we have

(4.5)  

$$(R(\xi, Y) \cdot \tilde{C})(\xi, V)W = R(\xi, Y)\tilde{C}(\xi, V)W - \tilde{C}(R(\xi, Y)\xi, V)W - \tilde{C}(\xi, R(\xi, Y)V)W - \tilde{C}(\xi, V)R(\xi, Y)W = 0$$

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

Making use of (3.3), (4.3) and (4.4) we calculate every term in equation (4.5) straightly. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} R(\xi,Y)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W \\ =& k[g(Y,\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W)\xi - \eta(\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W))Y] \\ &+ \mu[g(h'Y,\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W)\xi - \eta(\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W))h'Y] \\ +& \mu[g(h'Y,\tilde{C}(\xi,V)W)\xi - \eta(W)g(Y,V)\xi] \\ &+ k\{A[\eta(Y)g(V,W)\xi - \eta(W)g(Y,V)\xi]\} \\ &+ E[\eta(Y)g(h'V,W)\xi - \eta(W)g(Y,h'V)\xi]\} \\ &- k\{A[g(V,W)Y - \eta(W)\eta(V)Y] + Eg(h'V,W)Y\} \\ &+ \mu\{-A\eta(W)g(h'Y,V)\xi - E\eta(W)g(h'Y,h'V)\xi\} \\ &- \mu\{A[g(V,W)h'Y - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y] + Eg(h'V,W)h'Y\}. \end{aligned}$$

 $\tilde{C}(R(\xi,Y)\xi,V)W$ 

(4.7)  
$$= k\eta(Y)\tilde{C}(\xi, V)W - k\tilde{C}(Y, V)W - \mu\tilde{C}(h'Y, V)W \\= k\{A[\eta(Y)g(V, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(Y)V] + E[\eta(Y)g(h'V, W)\xi \\ - \eta(W)\eta(Y)h'V]\} - k\tilde{C}(Y, V)W - \mu\tilde{C}(h'Y, V)W.$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{C}(\xi, R(\xi, Y)V)W \\ = & kg(Y, V)\tilde{C}(\xi, \xi)W - k\eta(V)\tilde{C}(\xi, Y)W \\ & + \mu g(h'Y, V)\tilde{C}(\xi, \xi)W - \mu \eta(V)\tilde{C}(\xi, h'Y)W \\ = & - k\{A[\eta(V)g(Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)Y] \\ & + E[\eta(V)g(h'Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y]\} \\ & - \mu\{A[\eta(V)g(h'Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y]\} \\ & + E[\eta(V)g(h'^2Y, W)\xi - \eta(W)\eta(V)h'^2Y]\}. \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \tilde{C}(\xi,V)R(\xi,Y)W \\ = kg(Y,W)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)\xi - k\eta(W)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)Y \\ &+ \mu g(h'Y,W)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)\xi - \mu \eta(W)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)h'Y \\ &+ \mu g(h'Y,W)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)\xi - \mu \eta(W)\tilde{C}(\xi,V)h'Y \\ &= k\{A[g(Y,W)\eta(V)\xi - g(Y,W)V] + Dg(Y,W)h'V\} \\ &- k\{A[\eta(W)g(V,Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\eta(W)h'V]\} \\ &+ \mu\{A[g(h'Y,W)\eta(V)\xi - g(h'Y,W)V] + Dg(h'Y,W)h'V\} \\ &- \mu\{A\eta(W)g(V,h'Y)\xi + E\eta(W)g(h'V,h'Y)\xi\} \\ \text{for any } Y,V,W \in \mathfrak{X}(M). \\ \text{Substituting } (4.6)-(4.9) \text{ into } (4.5) \text{ and using } (3.2) \text{ gives} \\ &k\tilde{C}(Y,V)W + \mu\tilde{C}(h'Y,V)W - kAg(V,W)Y \\ &- kEg(h'V,W)Y - \mu Ag(V,W)h'Y - \mu Eg(h'V,W)h'Y \\ (4.10) &+ kE\eta(V)g(h'Y,W)\xi - kE\eta(W)\eta(V)h'Y - \mu E(k+1)\eta(V)g(Y,W)\xi \\ &+ \mu E(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)Y + kAg(Y,W)V + kEg(Y,W)h'V \\ &+ \mu Ag(h'Y,W)V + \mu Eg(h'Y,W)h'V = 0 \\ \text{for any } Y,V,W \in \mathfrak{X}(M). \\ \text{Substituting } Y = h'Y \text{ in } (4.10) \text{ and using } (3.2) \text{ we obtain} \\ &k\tilde{C}(h'Y,V)W - \mu(k+1)\tilde{C}(Y,V)W - kAg(V,W)h'Y \\ &- kEg(h'V,W)h'Y + \mu A(k+1)g(V,W)Y + \mu E(k+1)g(h'V,W)Y \\ (4.11) &- kE(k+1)\eta(V)g(Y,W)\xi + kE(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)Y \end{split}$$

 $(4.11) - kE(k+1)\eta(V)g(Y,W)\xi + kE(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)Y$  $- \mu E(k+1)\eta(V)g(h'Y,W)\xi + \mu E(k+1)\eta(V)\eta(W)h'Y + kAg(h'Y,W)V$  $+ kEg(h'Y,W)h'V - \mu A(k+1)g(Y,W)V - \mu E(k+1)g(Y,W)h'V = 0$ 

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Subtracting  $\mu$  multiple of (4.11) from k multiple of (4.10) and using  $\mu = -2$  implies

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{array}{l} (k+2)^2 \tilde{C}(Y,V)W - (k+2)^2 \{Ag(V,W)Y + Eg(h'V,W)Y \\ -E\eta(V)g(h'Y,W)\xi + E\eta(V)\eta(W)h'Y - Ag(Y,W)V - Eg(Y,W)h'V\} = 0 \end{array}$$

for any  $Y, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Next, we assume that  $Y = V = W \in [-\lambda]'$  in (1.3), where  $[-\lambda]'$  is eigenspace of h' corresponding eigenvalue  $-\lambda$ . Thus, by applying Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2, we get

(4.13) 
$$C(Y,V)W = [a(k+2\lambda) - \frac{r}{2n+1}(\frac{a}{2n}+2b) + 4nb(\lambda-1)][g(V,W)Y - g(Y,W)V]$$

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

With the help of (4.13) and assuming  $Y = V = W \in [-\lambda]'$ , from (4.12) we get

(4.14) 
$$2nb(k+2)^2(\lambda-1-k)[g(V,W)Y - g(Y,W)V] = 0.$$

Putting (3.4) into (4.14) we have

(4.15) 
$$\lambda(\lambda-1)^2(\lambda+1)^3 = 0.$$

In view of the fact  $\lambda > 0$ , we obtain  $\lambda = 1$  and hence k = -2. From [6, Corollary 4.2] and [5, Theorem 6], we know that  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Therefore we have the following:

**Theorem 4.1.** If a non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  of dimension greater than 3 satisfies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ , then it is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Since quasi-conformally symmetric manifold  $(\nabla \tilde{C} = 0)$  implies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ , therefore from Theorem 4.1 we state the following:

**Corollary 4.1.** A quasi-conformally symmetric non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}(n > 1)$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Since  $R \cdot R$  implies  $R \cdot \tilde{C} = 0$ , we get the following:

**Corollary 4.2.** A semisymmetric non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}(n > 1)$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

The above corollary has been proved by Wang and Liu [15].

5.  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying  $P(X, Y) \cdot P = 0$ 

In this section, we consider a non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifolds  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfying the condition

$$(5.1) P(X,Y) \cdot P = 0,$$

which implies

(5.2)  
$$(P(X,Y) \cdot P)(U,V)W = P(X,Y)U,V)W - P(P(X,Y)U,V)W - P(U,P(X,Y)V)W - P(U,V)P(X,Y)W = 0$$

for any  $X, Y, U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Making use of (1.1), we get

$$P(X,Y)P(U,V)W = R(X,Y)R(U,V)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)R(X,Y)U + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)R(X,Y)V (5.3) - \frac{1}{2n}\{S(Y,R(U,V)W)X - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(Y,U)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)S(Y,V)X\} + \frac{1}{2n}\{S(X,R(U,V)W)Y - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(X,U)Y + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)S(X,V)Y\},$$

$$P(P(X,Y)U,V)W = R(R(X,Y)U,V)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,U)R(X,V)W + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,U)R(Y,V)W$$

$$(5.4) - \frac{1}{2n}\{S(V,W)R(X,Y)U - \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(Y,U)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(V,W)S(X,U)Y\} + \frac{1}{2n}\{S(R(X,Y)U,W)V - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,U)S(X,W)V + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,U)S(Y,W)V\},$$

$$2n 2n 2n 2n 2n (2n)$$

$$P(U, P(X, Y)V)W = R(U, R(X, Y)V)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y, V)R(U, X)W + \frac{1}{2n}S(X, V)R(U, Y)W (5.5) 1 1 1 1$$

(5.5) 
$$-\frac{1}{2n} \{S(R(X,Y)V,W)U - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,V)S(X,W)U + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,V)S(Y,W)U\} + \frac{1}{2n} \{S(U,W)R(X,Y)V - \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)S(Y,V)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(U,W)S(X,V)Y\},\$$

$$P(U,V)P(X,Y)W = R(U,V)R(X,Y)W - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,W)R(U,V)X + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,W)R(U,V)Y$$

$$(5.6) - \frac{1}{2n}\{S(V,R(X,Y)W)U - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,W)S(V,X)U + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,W)S(V,Y)U\}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2n}\{S(U,R(X,Y)W)V - \frac{1}{2n}S(Y,W)S(U,X)V + \frac{1}{2n}S(X,W)S(U,Y)V\}.$$

Substituting (5.3)-(5.6) into (5.2), we have

$$(R(X,Y) \cdot R)(U,V)W - \frac{1}{2n} \{S(Y,R(U,V)W)X - S(X,R(U,V)W)Y\} + \frac{1}{2n} \{S(Y,U)R(X,V)W - S(X,U)R(Y,V)W - S(R(X,Y)U,W)V\} + \frac{1}{2n} \{S(Y,V)R(U,X)W - S(X,V)R(U,Y)W + S(R(X,Y)V,W)U\} + \frac{1}{2n} \{S(Y,W)R(U,V)X - S(X,W)R(U,V)Y + S(V,R(X,Y)W)U - S(U,R(X,Y)W)V\} = 0$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, U, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . If (5.1) holds, putting  $Y = U = \xi$  into (5.7), we obtain

$$(R(X,\xi) \cdot R)(\xi, V)W - \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi, R(\xi, V)W)X - S(X, R(\xi, V)W)\xi \} + \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,\xi)R(X,V)W - S(X,\xi)R(\xi,V)W - S(R(X,\xi)\xi,W)V \} + \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,V)R(\xi,X)W - S(X,V)R(\xi,\xi)W + S(R(X,\xi)V,W)\xi \} + \frac{1}{2n} \{ S(\xi,W)R(\xi,V)X - S(X,W)R(\xi,V)\xi + S(V,R(X,\xi)W)\xi \} - S(\xi,R(X,\xi)W)V \} = 0$$

for any vector fields  $X, V, W \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . In Section 4, we know that  $S(\xi, V) = 2nk\eta(V)$ , using the equation and (3.1), we have

(5.9)  
$$S(R(\xi, X)Y, Z) = 2n\{\eta(Z)[k^2g(X, Y) - 2kg(h'X, Y)] + \eta(Y)[kg(X, Z) - k(k+1)\eta(Z)\eta(X) + kg(X, h'Z) - 2g(h'X, Z) - 2g(h'X, h'Z)]\}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y, Z \in \mathfrak{X}(M)$ . Combining (5.9) with (5.8) and assuming that  $X \in [\lambda]$  and  $V = W \in [-\lambda]$  in (5.8) are eigenvector fields of h' corresponding two eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and  $-\lambda$ , respectively. Thus, by applying Lemma 3.1, we obtian

(5.10) 
$$(R(X,\xi) \cdot R)(\xi,V)W = [k^2 + 2k\lambda + k(k+2)]g(V,W)X.$$

On the other hand, by a straightforward computation and applying Lemma 3.1, Wang and Liu [15, Theorem 1.1] obtained the following relation (one can check it by a direct calculation).

(5.11)  

$$(R(X,\xi) \cdot R)(\xi, V)W = R(X,\xi)\xi, V)W - R(R(X,\xi)\xi, V)W - R(\xi, R(X,\xi)V)W - R(\xi, V)R(X,\xi)W = [(k-2\lambda)(k+2) - k^2 + 4\lambda^2]g(V,W)X.$$

From (5.10) and (5.11), we get  $\lambda^2(\lambda - 1) = 0$ . In view of the fact  $\lambda > 0$ , we obtain  $\lambda = 1$  and hence k = -2. From [6, Corollary 4.2] and [5, Theorem 6] we can know that  $M^{2n+1}$  is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Consequently, we have the following theorem:

**Theorem 5.1.** If a non-Kenmotsu  $(k, \mu)'$ -almost Kenmotsu manifold  $M^{2n+1}$  satisfies  $P \cdot P = 0$ , then it is locally isometric to the Riemannian product  $\mathbb{H}^{n+1}(-4) \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Acknowledgment. The authors would like to thank the referee for his or her valuable suggestions and comments that led to the improvement of this paper.

#### REFERENCES

- 1. A. Yıldız, U. C. De and B. E. Acet: On Kenmotsu manifolds satisfying certain curvature conditions, SUT Journal of Mathematics **45**(2) (2009), 89-101.
- A. Yıldız and U. C. De: A classification of (k, μ)-contact metric manifolds, Commun. Korean Math. Soc. 27(2) (2012), 327-339.
- 3. D. E. Blair: *Riemannian geometry of contact and symplectic manifolds*, Progress in Mathematics, **203**, Birkhäuser, 2010.
- D. Janssens and L. Vanhecke: Almost contact structures and curvature tensors, Kodai Math. J. 4(1) (1981), 1-27.
- G. Dileo and A.M. Pastore: Almost Kenmotsu manifolds and local symmetry, Bull. Belg. Math. Soc. Simon Stevin 14(2) (2007), 343-354.
- G. Dileo and A.M. Pastore: Almost Kenmotsu manifolds and nullity distributions, J. Geom. 93(1-2) (2009), 46-61.
- 7. G. Pitiş: *Geometry of Kenmotsu manifolds*, Publishing House of Transilvania University of Braşov, Braşov, Romania, 2007.
- K. Kenmotsu: A class of almost contact Riemannian manifolds, Tôhoku Math. J. 24(1) (1972), 93-103.
- 9. K. K. Baishya and P. R. Chowdhury: *Kenmotsu manifold with some curvature coditionds*, Annales Univ. Sci. Budapest. **59** (2016), 55-65.
- 10. P. Majhi and U. C. De: Classifications of N(k)-contact manifolds satisfying certain curvature conditions, Acta Math. Univ. Comenianae **84**(1) (2015), 167-178.
- T.W. Kim and H.K. Pak: Canonical foliations of certain classes of almost contact metric structures, Acta Math. Sin. Engl. Ser. 21(4) (2005), 841-846.
- U. C. De and K. Mandal: on locally φ-Conformally symmetric almost Kenmotsu manifolds with nullity distributions, Commun. Korean Math. Soc. 32(2) (2017), 401-416.
- U. C. De and K. Mandal: On a type of almost Kenmotsu manifolds with nullity distributions, Arab J Math Sci 23(2) (2017), 109-123.
- U. C. De, J. B. Jun and K. Mandal: On almost Kenmotsu manifolds with nullity distributions, Tamkang Journal of Mathematics 48(3) (2017), 251-263.

Some Results on  $(k, \mu)'$ -Almost Kenmotsu Manifolds

- Y. Wang and X. Liu: Riemannian semisymmetric almost Kenmotsu manifolds and nullity distributions, Ann. Polon. Math. 112(1) (2014), 37-46.
- Y. Wang: Three-dimensional locally symmetric almost Kenmotsu manifolds, Ann. Polon. Math. (2016), 79-86.
- Y. Wang: Conformally flat CR-integrable almost Kenmotsu manifolds, Bull. Math. Soc. Sci. Math. Roumanie 59(4) (2016), 375-387.
- Y. Wang: Conformally flat almost Kenmotsu 3-manifolds, Mediterr. J. Math. 14(5) (2017), No. 186.
- Y. Wang and W. Wang: Some results on (k, μ)'-almost Kenmotsu manifolds, Quaestiones Math. DOI: 10.2989/16073606.2017.1391347.
- K. Yano and M. Kon: Structures on Manifolds, Vol. 40, World Scientific Press, 1989.
- K. Yano and S. Sawaki: Riemannian manifolds admitting a conformal transformation group, J. Differential Geom. 2 (1968), 161-184.

Wenfeng Ning School of Mathematical Sciences Dalian University of Technology Dalian 116024, Liaoning, P. R. China winniening@mail.dlut.edu.cn

Ximin Liu

School of Mathematical Sciences

Dalian University of Technology

Dalian 116024, Liaoning, P. R. China

ximinliu@dlut.edu.cn

Jin Li

School of Mathematical Sciences

Dalian University of Technology

Dalian 116024, Liaoning, P. R. China

lijin0907@mail.dlut.edu.cn