

International Journal of Maps in Mathematics

Volume 8, Issue 2, 2025, Pages: 622-641

E-ISSN: 2636-7467

www.simadp.com/journalmim

η -RICCI-BOURGUIGNON SOLITONS ON K-PARACONTACT AND PARACONTACT METRIC ($\kappa \neq -1, \mu$)-MANIFOLDS

İREM KÜPELI ERKEN $^{\scriptsize\textcircled{\scriptsize0}}$ * AND SAHRA NUR EMETLI $^{\scriptsize\textcircled{\scriptsize0}}$



ABSTRACT. In this study, we focus on (2n+1)-dimensional K-paracontact manifolds admitting η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons and gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons. We then completely present the classification of a (2n+1)-dimensional paracontact metric $(\kappa \neq -1, \mu)$ manifold that admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton. Finally, we construct examples that provide our results.

Keywords: K-paracontact manifolds, Paracontact (κ, μ) -manifolds, η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons, Gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons.

2020 Mathematics Subject Classification: Primary: 53B30, Secondary: 53C25, 53E20, 53Z05, 83C05.

1. Introduction and Motivations

Geometric flows represent a powerful tool for the topological classification of manifolds, providing profound insights into their structural intricacies through the study of metric evolution over time. In this process, questions concerning the short- and long-term behavior of metrics such as whether they smooth out or develop singularities come to the forefront. Moreover, geometric flows have significant applications in physical theories, including general relativity and quantum gravity, particularly in modeling the dynamics of the universe's geometric structure. In this context, self-similar solutions to the flow, known as solitons (e.g., Ricci solitons), play a critical role in understanding the long-term behavior of the flow and

Received: 2025.03.20 Revised: 2025.05.28 Accepted: 2025.06.30

İrem Küpeli Erken & irem.erken@btu.edu.tr & https://orcid.org/0000-0003-4471-3291

^{*} Corresponding author

contribute to the identification of stable or special geometric structures. This is particularly evident in the case of the Poincaré conjecture, a century-old problem that was resolved in the early 2000's by Perelman through the use of Ricci flows, [18], [19], [20]. Ricci solitons were instrumental in resolving the Poincaré conjecture, a problem that had been debated for more than a hundred years. Thus, given a geometric flow, it is natural to study the solitons associated to that flow. As a result of this, in 1981, Hamilton [11] introduced *Ricci flow* by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g\left(t\right) = -2Rc\left(t\right),\,$$

where Rc represents Ricci tensor of type (0,2) and g is the time dependent metric of the space evolving under the flow.

Hamilton [12] also defined Yamabe flow as follows.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g\left(t\right) = -r\left(t\right)g\left(t\right),\,$$

where r(t) represents the scalar curvature of the metric g(t).

In 1981, a new geometric flow, named *Ricci-Bourguignon flow*, was introduced and extended the Ricci flow notation by Bourguignon [3] as follows:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g(t) = -2\left(Rc(t) - \rho r(t)g(t)\right),\tag{1.1}$$

where $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$.

Einstein flow [6] is given by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g\left(t\right) = -2(Rc\left(t\right) - \frac{r\left(t\right)}{2}g\left(t\right)).$$

Moreover, Ricci-Bourguignon flow is known as a generalization of Einstein flow. Depending on the choice of ρ , the Ricci-Bourguignon flow may turn to certain geometric flows, namely, for $\rho = \frac{1}{2}$ this flow turn to be Einstein flow, for $\rho = \frac{1}{2}(n-1)$ it will turn to the Schouten flow and for $\rho = 0$ it will turn to the famous Ricci flow.

The solutions of (1.1) are called *Ricci-Bourguignon solitons* (*RB-solitons*) or ρ -Einstein solitons which are given in [9] by the following

$$\mathcal{L}_{W}g + 2\left(Rc - \rho rg\right) = 2\lambda g,\tag{1.2}$$

where λ is a constant and \mathcal{L} denotes the Lie derivative. λ and \mathcal{W} are called soliton constant and potential vector field, respectively. If λ is a smooth function, then it is called almost Ricci-Bourguignon soliton [9]. The Ricci-Bourguignon soliton, a prominent concept in Riemannian geometry, arises as a solution to the Einstein field equations in the context

of general relativity. These solitons, which have garnered considerable attention in recent years, play a crucial role in Riemannian geometry. Interestingly, Ricci Bourguignon solitons are critical points of the Ricci flow, and studying the flow's behavior near a soliton provides important insights into the global geometry of the manifold. Ricci-Bourguignon soliton is called trivial if W is zero or a Killing vector field (i.e. $\mathcal{L}_{W}g = 0$). If $\rho = 0$ in (1.2), a Ricci soliton (a solution of the Ricci flow) is obtained. Theoretical physicists are fascinated by Ricci solitons because of their link to string theory and the fact that the soliton equation represents a particular instance of the Einstein field equations. A Ricci soliton extends the concept of an Einstein metric when there is a smooth, non-zero vector field W and a constant λ . Recently, numerous researchers have examined Ricci solitons and gradient Ricci solitons on certain types of three-dimensional almost contact metric manifolds. For instance, the study of Ricci solitons and gradient Ricci solitons on three-dimensional normal almost contact metric manifolds is investigated in [8]. Additionally, a comprehensive classification of Ricci solitons on three-dimensional Kenmotsu manifolds is provided in [7] and [10].

The solutions of the Einstein flow are *Einstein solitons* and Einstein solitons are given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{W}}g + 2(Rc - \frac{1}{2}rg) = 2\lambda g.$$

A generalization of Einstein soliton is RB soliton (or ρ -Einstein soliton). Also a generalization of Ricci-Bourguignon flow is η -Ricci-Bourguignon flow which is given by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}g(t) = -2\left(Rc(t) - \rho r(t)g(t) - \sigma \eta(t) \otimes \eta(t)\right),\tag{1.3}$$

where σ and ρ are real numbers.

An essential aspect of studying any geometric flow is analyzing its associated solitons, which produce self-similar solutions to the flow and frequently serve as models for singularities. Motivated by the concept of Ricci solitons, it is intriguing to explore special solutions of the flow (1.3) which is known as a generalization of Ricci-Bourguignon soliton is η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton (η -RB soliton) and is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{W}g + 2\left(Rc - \rho rg - \sigma \eta \otimes \eta\right) = 2\lambda g,\tag{1.4}$$

where σ and ρ are real numbers, if λ and σ are smooth functions, it is called an almost η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton [2]. For $\rho = \frac{1}{2}$, the soliton reduces to η -Einstein soliton and for $\rho = 0$, it is η -Ricci-soliton.

The soliton is shrinking, steady or expanding according as $\lambda > 0$, $\lambda = 0$ and $\lambda < 0$, respectively.

If the potential vector field W is the gradient of a smooth function f, denoted by ∇f , then (1.4) can be written

$$Hessf + (Rc - \rho rg - \sigma \eta \otimes \eta) = \lambda g, \tag{1.5}$$

where Hess f is the Hessian of f. (1.5) is called a gradient η -Ricci-Bourquignon soliton.

A significant amount of work has been contributed by various researchers to explore the geometric properties of Ricci-Bourguignon solitons. For instance, in [5], Catino et al. investigated the Ricci-Bourguignon solitons, where they discussed important rigidity results. In recent year, in [22] Shaikh et al. demonstrated that a compact gradient Ricci-Bourguignon soliton with constant scalar curvature is isometric to the Euclidean sphere. A similar result was established for a gradient Ricci-Bourguignon soliton with a vector field of bounded norm, subject to additional conditions. [21].

Recently, it is worth to mention that in [15] Mandal et al. studied η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons on K-contact and contact (κ, μ) -manifolds. Also, in [16], Mandal et al. investigated η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons on three-dimensional almost coKaehler manifolds. Blaga and Ozgur [1] worked on submanifolds as almost η -Ricci Bourguignon solitons.

As far as our knowledge goes, η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons and gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons on K-paracontact manifolds and paracontact ($\kappa \neq -1, \mu$)-manifolds are not studied by the researchers. This manuscript will fill these gaps.

This paper is structured as follows: In Section 2, we review some concepts essential for the discussion. Section 3 focuses on (2n+1)-dimensional K-paracontact manifolds which admit η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons and gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons. We proved that if a (2n+1)-dimensional K-paracontact manifold admits an η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton whose potential vector field being collinear with ξ , we showed that the manifold is η -Einstein and then the scalar curvature $r=-2n(2n+1+\sigma)$ is constant. Also we proved that if a (2n+1)-dimensional K-paracontact manifold admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton, then the scalar curvature is constant and the manifold is η -Einstein. In Section 4, we completely give the classification of a (2n+1)-dimensional paracontact metric $(\kappa \neq -1, \mu)$ -manifold that admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton.

Finally, we construct examples which verifies our results.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we review various concepts and results that will be essential for the rest of the paper. A smooth manifold M^{2n+1} has an almost paracontact structure (ϕ, ξ, η) if it possesses a tensor field ϕ of type (1,1), a vector field ξ , and a 1-form η that satisfy the compatibility conditions listed below.

$$i)\phi(\xi) = 0, \eta \circ \phi = 0,$$

$$ii)\eta(\xi) = 1, \phi^2 = id - \eta \otimes \xi,$$

iii) the tensor field ϕ gives rise to an almost paracomplex structure on each fibre of the horizontal distribution $\mathcal{D} = Ker\eta$ [13]

A differentiable manifold M^{2n+1} equipped with an almost paracontact structure is referred to as an almost paracontact manifold.

A direct implication of the definition of an almost paracontact structure is that the endomorphism ϕ has rank 2n.

If a manifold M^{2n+1} endowed with (ϕ, ξ, η) -structure possesses a pseudo-Riemannian metric g such that

$$g(\phi\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2) = -g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + \eta(\zeta_1)\eta(\zeta_2), \qquad (2.6)$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$, then we say that M^{2n+1} has an almost paracontact metric structure and g is called compatible metric. The differentiable manifold M^{2n+1} given by the almost paracontact metric structure is called an almost paracontact metric manifold. Any metric g that is compatible with a given almost paracontact structure must have a signature of (n+1, n).

Within the framework of almost paracontact manifolds, the tensor $N^{(1)}$ of type (1,2) can be introduced by

$$N^{(1)}(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = [\phi, \phi](\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - 2d\eta(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi$$

where

$$[\phi, \phi](\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \phi^2[\zeta_1, \zeta_2] + [\phi\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2] - \phi[\phi\zeta_1, \zeta_2] - \phi[\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2]$$

is the Nijenhuis torsion of ϕ . The almost paracontact manifold is designated as *normal*, when $N^{(1)} = 0$ [23].

Setting $\zeta_2 = \xi$, we have $g(\zeta_1, \xi) = \eta(\zeta_1)$. From here and (2.6) follows

$$g\left(\phi\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}\right)=-g\left(\zeta_{1},\phi\zeta_{2}\right).$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$. In an almost paracontact metric manifold, an orthogonal basis always exists. $\{\zeta_{11}, ..., \zeta_{1n}, \zeta_{21}, ..., \zeta_{2n}, \xi\}$, namely ϕ -basis, such that $g(\zeta_{1i}, \zeta_{1j}) = -g(\zeta_{2i}, \zeta_{2j}) = \delta_{ij}$ and $\phi\zeta_{1i} = \zeta_{2i}$, for any $i, j \in \{1, ..., n\}$.

The fundamental 2-form is defined by

$$\Phi\left(\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}\right)=g\left(\zeta_{1},\phi\zeta_{2}\right),$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

If $d\eta(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = g(\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2)$ (where $d\eta(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = \frac{1}{2}(\zeta_1\eta(\zeta_2) - \zeta_2\eta(\zeta_1) - \eta[\zeta_1, \zeta_2])$), then η is a paracontact form and the almost paracontact metric manifold is said to be *paracontact* metric manifold.

Lemma 2.1. [23] On a paracontact metric manifold M^{2n+1} , $h = \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}_{\xi}\phi$ is a symmetric operator and satisfy the followings:

$$trh = tr\phi h = 0, h\xi = 0, h\phi + \phi h = 0,$$

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1}\xi = -\phi\zeta_1 + \phi h\zeta_1,$$

$$Rc(\xi, \xi) = -2n + trh^2,$$
(2.7)

for all vector field $\zeta_1 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$, tr is the trace operator.

It is important to note that h is equal to zero if and only if the vector field ξ is Killing. When ξ is Killing, the paracontact metric manifold is referred to as a K-paracontact manifold. A normal almost paracontact metric manifold is said to be para-Sasakian manifold if $\Phi = d\eta$. Furthermore, a para-Sasakian manifold is also K-paracontact, with the reverse holding true solely in a three-dimensional [23].

An almost paracontact metric manifold is called η -Einstein if its Ricci tensor Rc takes the form of

$$Rc = ag + b\eta \otimes \eta$$

where a and b are smooth functions on the manifold.

For a K-paracontact manifold M^{2n+1} , we have the following relations [23]

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1} \xi = -\phi \zeta_1, \tag{2.8}$$

$$R(\xi, \zeta_1) \zeta_2 = -g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \xi + \eta(\zeta_2) \zeta_1, \qquad (2.9)$$

$$Rc(\zeta_1,\xi) = -2n\eta(\zeta_1),$$
 (2.10)

$$R(\xi, \zeta_1) \zeta_2 = (\nabla_{\zeta_1} \phi) \zeta_2, \tag{2.11}$$

$$R(\zeta_1, \xi) \xi = -\zeta_1 + \eta(\zeta_1) \xi, \qquad (2.12)$$

$$(\nabla_{\phi\zeta_1}\phi)\,\phi\zeta_2 - (\nabla_{\zeta_1}\phi)\,\zeta_2 = 2g(\zeta_1,\zeta_2)\,\xi - (\zeta_1 + \eta(\zeta_1)\,\xi)\,\eta(\zeta_2)\,, \tag{2.13}$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$, where Q is the Ricci operator defined by $g(Q\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = Rc(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)$.

Also followings hold on a (2n + 1)-dimensional K-paracontact manifold [17],

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} Q) \xi = Q \phi \zeta_1 + 2n\phi \zeta_1 \tag{2.14}$$

and

$$(\nabla_{\varepsilon}Q)\,\zeta_1 = Q\phi\zeta_1 - \phi Q\zeta_1 \tag{2.15}$$

for all vector field $\zeta_1 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

On a (2n + 1)-dimensional paracontact metric manifold, the notion of (κ, μ) -nullity distribution is given by

$$N(\kappa,\mu): p \to N_p(\kappa,\mu) = \begin{bmatrix} \zeta_3 \in T_pM : R(\zeta_1,\zeta_2)\zeta_3 = \kappa(g(\zeta_2,\zeta_3)\zeta_1 - g(\zeta_1,\zeta_3)\zeta_2) \\ +\mu(g(\zeta_2,\zeta_3)h\zeta_1 - g(\zeta_1,\zeta_3)h\zeta_2), \end{bmatrix}$$

for every vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$ and $\kappa, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$. If ξ belongs to above distribution, namely,

$$R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi = \kappa(\eta(\zeta_2)\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)\zeta_2) + \mu(\eta(\zeta_2)h\zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1)h\zeta_2), \qquad (2.16)$$

then the paracontact metric manifold is called a paracontact metric (κ, μ) -manifold. When $\mu = 0$, a paracontact metric (κ, μ) -manifold reduces to $N(\kappa)$ -paracontact metric manifold [4].

Lemma 2.2. [4] Let M^{2n+1} be a paracontact metric (κ, μ) -manifold, then the following identities hold:

$$h^{2}\zeta_{1} = (1+\kappa)\phi^{2}\zeta_{1}, \tag{2.17}$$

$$R(\xi, \zeta_1) \zeta_2 = \kappa \left[g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \xi - \eta(\zeta_2) \zeta_1 \right]$$

+
$$\mu \left[g(h\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \xi - \eta(\zeta_2) h\zeta_1 \right], \qquad (2.18)$$

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \eta) \zeta_2 = g (\zeta_1 - h\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2), \qquad (2.19)$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

Lemma 2.3. [4] Let M^{2n+1} be a paracontact metric ($\kappa \neq -1, \mu$)-manifold, then the following identities hold:

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1}\phi)\zeta_2 = -g(\zeta_1 - h\zeta_1, \zeta_2)\xi + \eta(\zeta_2)(\zeta_1 - h\zeta_1), \qquad (2.20)$$

$$Rc(\zeta_1, \xi) = 2n\kappa\eta(\zeta_1),$$
 (2.21)

INT. J. MAPS MATH. (2025) 8(2):622-641 / η -RICCI-BOURGUIGNON SOLITONS ON ... 629

$$Rc(\zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2}) = [2(1-n) + n\mu] g(\zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2}) + [2(n-1) + \mu] g(h\zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2})$$
$$+ [2(n-1) + n(2\kappa - \mu)] \eta(\zeta_{1}) \eta(\zeta_{2}), \qquad (2.22)$$

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_{1}}h)\,\zeta_{2} = -[(1+\kappa)\,g\,(\zeta_{1},\phi\zeta_{2}) + g\,(\zeta_{1},\phi h\zeta_{2})]\,\xi$$
$$+\eta\,(\zeta_{2})\,[(1+\kappa)\,\phi\zeta_{1} - \phi h\zeta_{1}] - \mu\eta\,(\zeta_{1})\,\phi h\zeta_{2}, \tag{2.23}$$

$$Q\xi = 2n\kappa\xi,\tag{2.24}$$

$$r = 2n \left[2(1-n) + \kappa + n\mu \right], \tag{2.25}$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

Theorem 2.1. [24] Let M^{2n+1} be a paracontact metric manifold and suppose that $R(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \xi = 0$ for all vector fields ζ_1 and ζ_2 . Then locally M^{2n+1} is the product of a flat (n+1)-dimensional manifold and n-dimensional manifold of negative constant curvature equal to -4, for n > 1 and its locally flat for n = 1.

Lemma 2.4. On a paracontact metric (κ, μ) -manifold M^{2n+1} , we have

$$(\nabla_{\xi} h) \zeta_1 = \mu h \phi \zeta_1, \tag{2.26}$$

$$(\nabla_{\xi}Q)\zeta_1 = \mu [2(n-1) + \mu] h\phi\zeta_1,$$
 (2.27)

$$(\nabla_{\zeta_1} Q) \xi = Q (\phi \zeta_1 - \phi h \zeta_1) - 2n\kappa (\phi \zeta_1 - \phi h \zeta_1), \ \kappa \neq -1$$
(2.28)

for all vector field $\zeta_1 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

Proof. If we write $\zeta_1 = \xi$ in (2.23), we obtain (2.26).

From (2.22), we get

$$Q\zeta_1 = [2(1-n) + n\mu]\zeta_1 + [2(n-1) + \mu]h\zeta_1 + [2(n-1) + n(2\kappa - \mu)]\eta(\zeta_1)\xi.$$
 (2.29)

If we take the covariant derivative of (2.29) along ξ and use (2.26), we have (2.27). If we take the covariant derivative of (2.24) along ζ_1 and use (2.7), we obtain (2.28).

3. η -Ricci-Bourguignon and Gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon Solitons on K-Paracontact Manifolds

In this section, we will investigate η -Ricci-Bourguignon and Gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons on K-paracontact manifolds.

Theorem 3.1. Let M^{2n+1} be a K-paracontact manifold. If M^{2n+1} admits an η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton whose potential vector field being collinear with ξ , the manifold is η -Einstein and the scalar curvature $r = -2n(2n+1+\sigma)$ is constant.

Proof. Now assume that $W=f\xi$, where f is a smooth function. Letting W by $f\xi$ and using (2.8) in (1.4), we get

$$Rc\left(\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\zeta_{1}(f)\eta(\zeta_{2}) + \zeta_{2}(f)\eta(\zeta_{1})\right) = \left(\lambda + \rho r\right)g\left(\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}\right) + \sigma\eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right)\eta\left(\zeta_{2}\right). \tag{3.30}$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

Putting ζ_2 by ξ in (3.30), we have

$$Rc\left(\zeta_{1},\xi\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\zeta_{1}(f) + \xi(f)\eta(\zeta_{1})\right) = \left(\lambda + \rho r\right)\eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right) + \sigma\eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right). \tag{3.31}$$

Using (2.10) in (3.31), we get

$$gradf = (2(\lambda + \rho r) + 2\sigma - \xi(f) + 4n)\xi. \tag{3.32}$$

On the other hand putting $\zeta_1 = \zeta_2 = \xi$ and using again (2.10) in (3.30), we have

$$-2n + \xi(f) = \lambda + \rho r + \sigma. \tag{3.33}$$

If we use (3.33) in (3.32), we obtain

$$gradf = \xi(f)\xi. \tag{3.34}$$

If we take the covariant derivative of (3.34) along ζ_1 and using (2.8), we get

$$g\left(\nabla_{\zeta_1} gradf, \zeta_2\right) = \xi(f)g\left(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \xi, \zeta_2\right) + \zeta_1(\xi(f))\eta\left(\zeta_2\right) \tag{3.35}$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

By using $g\left(\nabla_{\zeta_1}gradf,\zeta_2\right)=g\left(\nabla_{\zeta_2}gradf,\zeta_1\right)$ we have

$$\zeta_1(\xi(f))\eta(\zeta_2) - \zeta_2(\xi(f))\eta(\zeta_1) = -2\xi(f)d\eta(\zeta_1,\zeta_2)$$
(3.36)

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$. Putting ζ_1 by $\phi \zeta_1$ and ζ_2 by $\phi \zeta_2$ in (3.36), we obtain $\xi(f) = 0$, because of $d\eta \neq 0$. So from (3.34), we have gradf = 0, namely f is constant and so the manifold is η -Einstein.

Let $\{w_i\}$ $(1 \le i \le 2n+1)$ be an orthonormal basis. Taking the summation over i for $\zeta_1 = \zeta_2 = w_i$ in (3.30), we obtain

$$r = (\lambda + \rho r)(2n+1) + \sigma. \tag{3.37}$$

Using (3.33) in (3.37), we get

$$r = -2n\left(2n + 1 + \sigma\right)$$

which completes the proof.

Theorem 3.2. If a (2n + 1)-dimensional K-paracontact manifold admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton, then the scalar curvature is constant and the manifold is η -Einstein.

Proof. By virtue of (1.5), we have

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1} \operatorname{grad} f = -Q\zeta_1 + (\lambda + \rho r)\zeta_1 + \sigma \eta(\zeta_1)\xi. \tag{3.38}$$

Taking the covariant derivative of (3.38) with ζ_2 and using (2.8), we get

$$\nabla_{\zeta_{2}}\nabla_{\zeta_{1}}gradf = -\nabla_{\zeta_{2}}Q\zeta_{1} + (\lambda + \rho r)\nabla_{\zeta_{2}}\zeta_{1} + \rho\zeta_{2}(r)\zeta_{1} + \sigma\left(\nabla_{\zeta_{2}}\eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right)\xi - \eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right)\phi\zeta_{2}\right). \tag{3.39}$$

Interchanging ζ_1 and ζ_2 in the last equation, we derive

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1} \nabla_{\zeta_2} gradf = -\nabla_{\zeta_1} Q \zeta_2 + (\lambda + \rho r) \nabla_{\zeta_1} \zeta_2 + \rho \zeta_1(r) \zeta_2 + \sigma \left(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \eta(\zeta_2) \xi - \eta(\zeta_2) \phi \zeta_1\right). \tag{3.40}$$

From (3.38), we obtain

$$\nabla_{[\zeta_1,\zeta_2]} \operatorname{grad} f = -Q\left[\zeta_1,\zeta_2\right] + (\lambda + \rho r)\left[\zeta_1,\zeta_2\right] + \sigma \eta\left(\left[\zeta_1,\zeta_2\right]\right)\xi. \tag{3.41}$$

In the view of (3.39), (3.40) and (3.41), we can compute

$$R(\zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2}) \operatorname{grad} f = -(\nabla_{\zeta_{1}} Q) \zeta_{2} + (\nabla_{\zeta_{2}} Q) \zeta_{1} + \rho(\zeta_{1}(r) \zeta_{2} - \zeta_{2}(r) \zeta_{1})$$

$$+ \sigma(-2g(\phi \zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2}) \xi + \eta(\zeta_{1}) \phi \zeta_{2} - \eta(\zeta_{2}) \phi \zeta_{1}).$$
(3.42)

Contracting the last equation over ζ_1 and using

$$divQ\zeta_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{2n+1} \varepsilon_i g((\nabla_{w_i} Q)\zeta_2, w_i) = \frac{1}{2}\zeta_2(r).$$

We conclude that

$$Rc\left(\zeta_{2}, gradf\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2n\rho\right)\zeta_{2}\left(r\right). \tag{3.43}$$

By (2.10), we have

$$Rc\left(gradf,\xi\right) = -2n\xi(f).$$
 (3.44)

Since ξ is Killing, $\xi(r) = 0$. Putting $\zeta_2 = \xi$ in (3.43) and using (3.44), we get $\xi(f) = 0$.

Taking the inner product of (3.42) with ξ and using equation (2.14), we obtain

$$g(R(gradf,\xi)\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}) = g(Q\phi\zeta_{2},\zeta_{1}) - g(Q\phi\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}) - 2(2n+\sigma)g(\phi\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2})$$

$$+\rho[\zeta_{1}(r)\eta(\zeta_{2}) - \zeta_{2}(r)\eta(\zeta_{1})].$$
(3.45)

Replacing ζ_1 by ξ in (3.45) and using the fact that $\xi(r) = 0$ and $\xi(f) = 0$, equations (2.9) and (2.10), we have

$$\zeta_2 \left(f - \rho r \right) = 0,$$

this leads to the conclusion that $f - \rho r$ is a constant.

Substituting $\zeta_2 = \xi$ in (3.42) and taking the inner product with ζ_2 and using (2.11), (2.14) and (2.15) we get

$$g((\nabla_{\zeta_1}\phi)\zeta_2, gradf) = -(2n+\sigma)g(\phi\zeta_1, \zeta_2) - g(\phi Q\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + \rho\zeta_1(r)\eta(\zeta_2). \tag{3.46}$$

First, if we replace ζ_1 by $\phi\zeta_1$ and ζ_2 by $\phi\zeta_2$ in (3.46) and then subtract (3.46) from the obtained equation, we obtain following equation

$$Q\phi\zeta_1 + \phi Q\zeta_1 = -2(2n+\sigma)\phi\zeta_1, \tag{3.47}$$

by using (2.13) and $\xi(f) = 0$.

Let $\{w_i\}$ $(1 \leq i \leq 2n+1)$ be an orthonormal basis, after writing $\zeta_1 = w_i$ in (3.47), we have

$$Q\phi w_i + \phi Q w_i = -2(2n + \sigma)\phi w_i. \tag{3.48}$$

Moreover, we can calculate following

$$g(\phi Q w_i, \phi w_i) = -g(Q w_i, \phi^2 w_i) = -g(Q w_i, w_i).$$
 (3.49)

By virtue of (3.48) and (3.49), we get

$$r = Rc(\xi, \xi) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{Rc(w_i, w_i) - Rc(\phi w_i, \phi w_i)\}$$
$$= -2n + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{-g(\phi Q w_i + Q \phi w_i, \phi w_i)\}$$
$$= -2n(2n+1) - 2n\sigma.$$

constant, so from $f - \rho r$ is constant, we have f is constant. Hence from $\mathcal{W}=gradf$, $\mathcal{W}=0$. By (1.5), the manifold is η -Einstein. This concludes the proof.

4. Gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon Solitons on Paracontact $(\kappa \neq -1, \mu)$ -Manifolds

In this section, we will investigate gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons on paracontact metric ($\kappa \neq -1, \mu$)-manifolds.

Lemma 4.1. If a (2n+1)-dimensional paracontact metric $(\kappa \neq -1, \mu)$ -manifold admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton, then we have

$$\kappa (2 - \mu) = \mu (n+1) + \sigma. \tag{4.50}$$

Proof. By virtue of (1.5), we have

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1} gradf + Q\zeta_1 = (\lambda + \rho r)\zeta_1 + \sigma \eta(\zeta_1)\xi. \tag{4.51}$$

Taking the covariant derivative of (4.51) with ζ_2 and using (2.7), we get

$$\nabla_{\zeta_2}\nabla_{\zeta_1}gradf + \nabla_{\zeta_2}Q\zeta_1 = (\lambda + \rho r)\nabla_{\zeta_2}\zeta_1 + \sigma\left(\nabla_{\zeta_2}\eta\left(\zeta_1\right)\xi - \eta\left(\zeta_1\right)\phi\zeta_2 + \eta\left(\zeta_1\right)\phi h\zeta_2\right). \tag{4.52}$$

Interchanging ζ_1 and ζ_2 in the last equation, we obtain

$$\nabla_{\zeta_1}\nabla_{\zeta_2}gradf + \nabla_{\zeta_1}Q\zeta_2 = (\lambda + \rho r)\nabla_{\zeta_1}\zeta_2 + \sigma(\nabla_{\zeta_1}\eta(\zeta_2)\xi - \eta(\zeta_2)\phi\zeta_1 + \eta(\zeta_2)\phi h\zeta_1). \tag{4.53}$$

From (4.51), we have

$$\nabla_{[\zeta_1,\zeta_2]} gradf + Q[\zeta_1,\zeta_2] = (\lambda + \rho r)[\zeta_1,\zeta_2] + \sigma \eta([\zeta_1,\zeta_2])\xi. \tag{4.54}$$

In the view of (4.52), (4.53) and (4.54), we can compute

$$\begin{split} R\left(\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}\right)gradf &= -\left(\nabla_{\zeta_{1}}Q\right)\zeta_{2} + \left(\nabla_{\zeta_{2}}Q\right)\zeta_{1} \\ &+ \sigma\left(2g\left(\zeta_{1},\phi\zeta_{2}\right)\xi + \eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right)\phi\zeta_{2} - \eta\left(\zeta_{1}\right)\phi h\zeta_{2} - \eta\left(\zeta_{2}\right)\phi\zeta_{1} + \eta\left(\zeta_{2}\right)\phi h\zeta_{2}\right) \end{split}$$

Using (2.28) in (4.55), we obtain

$$g\left(R\left(\zeta_{1},\zeta_{2}\right)gradf,\xi\right) = g\left(\left(Q\phi + \phi Q\right)\zeta_{2},\zeta_{1}\right) - g\left(\left(Q\phi h + h\phi Q\right)\zeta_{2},\zeta_{1}\right)$$
$$-4n\kappa g\left(\phi\zeta_{2},\zeta_{1}\right) + 2\sigma g\left(\zeta_{1},\phi\zeta_{2}\right). \tag{4.56}$$

Putting ζ_1 by $\phi\zeta_1$ and ζ_2 by $\phi\zeta_2$ in (4.56) and using the fact that $R(\phi\zeta_1,\phi\zeta_2)\xi=0$ from (2.16), we get

$$0 = \phi \left(-(Q\phi + \phi Q) \phi \zeta_1 + (Q\phi h + h\phi Q) \phi \zeta_1 + 4n\kappa \zeta_1 - 2\sigma \zeta_1 \right). \tag{4.57}$$

From (2.29), we can compute

$$\phi \left(Q\phi + \phi Q \right) \phi \zeta_1 = 2 \left(2 \left(1 - n \right) + n \mu \right) \phi \zeta_1. \tag{4.58}$$

$$\phi (Q\phi h + h\phi Q) \phi \zeta_1 = -2(\kappa + 1)(2(n-1) + \mu) \phi \zeta_1. \tag{4.59}$$

If we use (4.58) and (4.59) in (4.57), we get (4.50).

Theorem 4.1. If a (2n + 1)-dimensional paracontact metric $(\kappa \neq -1, \mu)$ -manifold admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton, then either

- i) The manifold is η -Einstein, $\kappa=0,\ \mu=2(1-n),\ r=4n(1-n^2),\ or$
- ii) The manifold is the product of a flat (n + 1)-dimensional manifold and n-dimensional manifold of negative constant curvature equal to -4 for n > 1 and its locally flat for n = 1, or
- iii) The manifold is η -Einstein, $\kappa = \frac{1-n^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma}{2n}$, $\mu = 2(1-n)$, $r = 2(1-n^2)(1+2n) + \sigma$, or
 - iv) The manifold is paracontact metric $\left(\kappa > -1, \ \mu = \pm \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa+1}}\right)$ -manifold.

Proof. Substituting $\zeta_1 = \xi$ in (4.55) and then using (2.27) and (2.28), we get

$$R(\xi, \zeta_2) \operatorname{grad} f = -\mu \left[2(n-1) + \mu \right] h\phi \zeta_2 + Q(\phi \zeta_2 - \phi h \zeta_2) - 2n\kappa \left(\phi \zeta_2 - \phi h \zeta_2 \right) + \sigma \left(\phi \zeta_2 - \phi h \zeta_2 \right). \tag{4.60}$$

Putting $\zeta_1 = \zeta_2$, $\zeta_2 = gradf$ in (2.18), we obtain

$$R(\xi, \zeta_2) \operatorname{grad} f = \kappa \left[\zeta_2(f) \xi - \xi(f) \zeta_2 \right] + \mu \left[(h\zeta_2)(f) \xi - \xi(f) h\zeta_2 \right]. \tag{4.61}$$

By equating the right-hand sides of equations (4.60) and (4.61) and subsequently taking the inner product of the resulting equation with ξ , we obtain

$$\kappa \left[\zeta_2(f) - \xi(f) \, \eta(\zeta_2) \right] + \mu \left[(h\zeta_2)(f) \right] = 0. \tag{4.62}$$

If we substitute ζ_2 by $h\zeta_2$ in (4.62) and use (2.17), we get

$$\kappa (h\zeta_2)(f) + \mu (\kappa + 1) \left[\zeta_2(f) - \eta (\zeta_2) \xi(f)\right] = 0. \tag{4.63}$$

Combining (4.62) and (4.63), we obtain

$$\left[\zeta_{2}\left(f\right) - \xi\left(f\right)\eta\left(\zeta_{2}\right)\right]\left[\kappa^{2} - \mu^{2}\left(\kappa + 1\right)\right] = 0. \tag{4.64}$$

Contracting (4.55) over ζ_1 and using

$$divQ\zeta_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{2n+1} \varepsilon_i g((\nabla_{w_i} Q)\zeta_2, w_i) = \frac{1}{2}\zeta_2(r).$$

We conclude that

$$Rc\left(\zeta_2, gradf\right) = 0. \tag{4.65}$$

In the view of (2.22) and (4.65), we get

$$0 = [2(1-n) + n\mu] g(\zeta_1, grad f) + [2(n-1) + \mu] g(h\zeta_1, grad f) + [2(n-1) + n(2\kappa - \mu)] \eta(\zeta_1) \eta(grad f).$$
(4.66)

Substituting $\zeta_1 = \xi$ in (4.66), we have

$$2n\kappa\xi(f) = 0.$$

This gives either $\kappa = 0$, or $\xi(f) = 0$.

Case 1: Let $\kappa = 0$. From (4.64), we have

$$[gradf - \xi(f)\xi]\mu^2 = 0.$$
 (4.67)

By (4.67), we have followings:

Case 1a: Let $\mu \neq 0$. So we obtain

$$gradf = \xi(f)\,\xi. \tag{4.68}$$

If we take the covariant derivative of (4.68) along ζ_1 and using (2.7), we get

$$g\left(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \operatorname{grad} f, \zeta_2\right) = \xi(f)g\left(\nabla_{\zeta_1} \xi, \zeta_2\right) + \zeta_1(\xi(f))\eta\left(\zeta_2\right) \tag{4.69}$$

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$.

By using $g(\nabla_{\zeta_1} gradf, \zeta_2) = g(\nabla_{\zeta_2} gradf, \zeta_1)$ we have

$$\zeta_1(\xi(f))\eta(\zeta_2) - \zeta_2(\xi(f))\eta(\zeta_1) = -2\xi(f)d\eta(\zeta_1,\zeta_2)$$
(4.70)

for all vector fields $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in \Gamma(M^{2n+1})$. Putting ζ_1 by $\phi\zeta_1$ and ζ_2 by $\phi\zeta_2$ in (4.70), we obtain $\xi(f) = 0$, because of $d\eta \neq 0$. So from (4.68), we have gradf = 0, namely f is constant and so the manifold is η -Einstein. So from (2.29), we obtain $\mu = 2(1-n)$. Let $\{w_i\}$ $(1 \leq i \leq 2n+1)$ be an orthonormal basis. Taking the summation over i for $\zeta_1 = \zeta_2 = w_i$ in (2.29), we obtain $r = 4n(1-n^2)$. Note that in this subcase the scalar curvature can not be positive.

Case 1b: Let $\mu = 0$. So we can use Theorem 2.1.

Case 2: Let $\xi(f) = 0$. By (4.64) we have

$$gradf\left(\kappa^{2} - \mu^{2}\left(\kappa + 1\right)\right) = 0. \tag{4.71}$$

By (4.71), we have followings:

Case 2a: Let gradf = 0. Namely f is constant. So the manifold is η -Einstein. So from (2.29), we obtain $\mu = 2(1 - n)$. Using this in (4.50), we get $\kappa = \frac{1 - n^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma}{2n}$. Let $\{w_i\}$ $(1 \le i \le 2n + 1)$ be an orthonormal basis. Taking the summation over i for $\zeta_1 = \zeta_2 = w_i$ in (2.29), we obtain $r = 2(1 - n^2)(1 + 2n) + \sigma$.

Case 2b: Let $\kappa^2 - \mu^2 (\kappa + 1) = 0$. We want to remind that $\kappa \neq -1$. It means that $\kappa > -1$ or $\kappa < -1$. Firstly let us suppose that $\kappa < -1$. In this case we say that $\kappa = 0$ and $\mu = 0$. But this case is contradiction with the assumption that $\kappa < -1$. Therefore, κ must be bigger than -1. Now, from $\kappa^2 - \mu^2 (\kappa + 1) = 0$, we obtain $\mu = \pm \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa + 1}}$ Namely the manifold is paracontact metric $\left(\kappa > -1, \ \mu = \pm \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\kappa + 1}}\right)$ -manifold. This concludes the proof.

5. Examples

Example 5.1. We consider the three-dimensional manifold M. Define the almost paracontact structure (ϕ, ξ, η) on M by

$$\phi \xi = 0, \ \phi w_1 = w_2, \ \phi w_2 = w_1, \xi = w_3.$$

We have

$$[w_1, w_3] = 0, \quad [w_2, w_3] = 0, \quad [w_1, w_2] = -2\xi.$$

Let g be the semi-Riemannian metric defined by

$$g(w_2, w_2) = -1, \ g(w_1, w_1) = g(\xi, \xi) = 1, \ g(w_i, w_j) = 0, \ i \neq j$$

where i, j = 1, 2, 3. Let ∇ be the Levi-Civita connection with respect to g. Then by Koszul formula

$$\nabla_{w_1} w_1 = 0, \ \nabla_{w_2} w_1 = \xi, \ \nabla_{w_3} w_1 = -w_2,$$

$$\nabla_{w_1} w_2 = -\xi, \ \nabla_{w_{w_2}} w_2 = 0, \ \nabla_{w_3} w_2 = -w_1,$$

$$\nabla_{w_1} w_3 = -w_2, \ \nabla_{w_2} w_3 = -w_1, \nabla_{w_3} w_3 = 0.$$

It is easy to see that M is a K-paracontact manifold. The components of the curvature tensor are

$$R(w_1, w_2)w_2 = -3w_1, \quad R(w_1, w_2)w_3 = 0, \quad R(w_3, w_2)w_2 = \xi,$$

$$R(w_1, w_3)w_3 = -w_1, \quad R(w_2, w_3)w_3 = -w_2, \quad R(w_1, w_3)w_2 = 0,$$

$$R(w_2, w_1)w_1 = 3w_2, \quad R(w_3, w_1)w_1 = -\xi, \quad R(w_2, w_3)w_1 = 0.$$

Using the components of the curvature tensor, we obtain

$$Rc(w_1, w_1) = 2$$
, $Rc(w_2, w_2) = -2$, $Rc(\xi, \xi) = -2$

In view of above relations, we have $r = S(w_1, w_1) - S(w_2, w_2) + S(\xi, \xi) = 2$. Using (1.4), we have

$$Rc(w_1, w_1) = \lambda + \rho r = 2$$
, $Rc(w_2, w_2) = -(\lambda + \rho r) = -2$, $Rc(\xi, \xi) = \lambda + \rho r + \sigma = -2$. (5.72)

From (5.72), we get $\lambda + 2\rho = 2$ and $\sigma = -4$. Hence we see that M admits an η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton with $\sigma = -4$, for $W = f\xi$, f constant. M is also η -Einstein manifold and verifies Theorem 3.1. Also the soliton is shrinking, steady or expanding according as $2(1-\rho) > 0$, $2(1-\rho) = 0$ and $2(1-\rho) < 0$, respectively.

We used [14] while constructing following examples.

Example 5.2. Let M be a three-dimensional manifold. $w_1 = w$, $w_2 = \phi w$ and $w_3 = \xi$ are vector fields such that

$$[w,\xi]=(\tilde{\lambda}-1)\phi w, \quad [\phi w,\xi]=-(\tilde{\lambda}+1)w, \quad [w,\phi w]=2\xi.$$

The semi-Riemannian metric g is defined by

$$g(w, w) = -1, \ g(\phi w, \phi w) = g(\xi, \xi) = 1, \ g(w_i, w_j) = 0, \ i \neq j$$

where i, j = 1, 2, 3. The 1-form η is defined by

$$\eta\left(\zeta_1\right) = g(\zeta_1, \xi)$$

for all ζ_1 on M. Let ϕ be the (1,1)-tensor field defined by

$$\phi \xi = 0, \ \phi w_1 = w_2, \ \phi w_2 = w_1.$$

Then,

$$\eta(\xi) = 1, \, \phi^{2}(\zeta_{1}) = \zeta_{1} - \eta(\zeta_{1}) \xi
g(\phi\zeta_{1}, \phi\zeta_{2}) = -g(\zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2}) + \eta(\zeta_{1}) \eta(\zeta_{2}), \, d\eta(\zeta_{1}, \zeta_{2}) = g(\zeta_{1}, \phi\zeta_{2}),$$

for any vector fields ζ_1 , ζ_2 on M. Hence (ϕ, ξ, η, g) defines a paracontact structure. Let ∇ be the Levi-Civita connection on M, then by Koszul's formula, we obtain

$$\nabla_w w = 0, \ \nabla_{\phi w} w = -(\tilde{\lambda} + 1)\xi, \ \nabla_{\xi} w = 0,$$

$$\nabla_w \phi w = (1 - \tilde{\lambda})\xi, \ \nabla_{\phi w} \phi w = 0, \ \nabla_{\xi} \phi w = 0,$$

$$\nabla_w \xi = (\tilde{\lambda} - 1)\phi w, \ \nabla_{\phi w} \xi = -(\tilde{\lambda} + 1)w, \ \nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0.$$

Using the covariant derivatives, we compute the components of the Riemannian curvature tensor:

$$\begin{split} R\left(w,\phi w\right)\phi w &= (1-\tilde{\lambda}^2)w, \ R\left(\phi w,\xi\right)\xi = (\tilde{\lambda}^2-1)\phi w, \ R\left(w,\phi w\right)\xi = 0, \\ R\left(w,\xi\right)\xi &= (\tilde{\lambda}^2-1)w, \ R\left(\xi,w\right)w = (1-\tilde{\lambda}^2)\xi, \ R\left(w,\xi\right)\phi w = 0, \\ R\left(\phi w,w\right)w &= (\tilde{\lambda}^2-1)\phi e, \ R\left(\xi,\phi w\right)\phi w = (\tilde{\lambda}^2-1)\xi \ , \ R\left(\phi w,\xi\right)w = 0. \end{split}$$

 $hw = \tilde{\lambda}w, \ h\phi w = -\tilde{\lambda}\phi w, \ h\xi = 0.$

Also, the followings are valid:

$$Qw = (1 - \tilde{\lambda}^2 + \frac{r}{2})w,$$

$$Q\phi w = (1 - \tilde{\lambda}^2 + \frac{r}{2})\phi w,$$

$$Q\xi = 2(\tilde{\lambda}^2 - 1)\xi.$$
(5.73)

Thus, the manifold is a $(\kappa \neq -1,0)$ -paracontact metric manifold with $\kappa = \tilde{\lambda}^2 - 1 > -1$.

From the components of the Riemannian curvature tensor, we derive Rc(w,w) = 0, $Rc(\phi w, \phi w) = 0$, $Rc(\xi, \xi) = 2\tilde{\lambda}^2 - 2$. Hence, the scalar curvature $r = 2(\tilde{\lambda}^2 - 1) = 2\kappa$. Then, using this, (1.5) and (5.73) we get

$$(-1+\tilde{\lambda}^2 - \frac{r}{2} + \lambda + \rho r)w = 0, \ (-1+\tilde{\lambda}^2 - \frac{r}{2} + \lambda + \rho r)\phi w = 0, \ (-2\tilde{\lambda}^2 + 2 + \lambda + \rho r + \sigma)\xi = 0.$$
 (5.74)

By (5.74), we get $\lambda + \rho r = 1 - \tilde{\lambda}^2 + \frac{r}{2}$ and $r = \sigma$. If we use $r = 2(\tilde{\lambda}^2 - 1)$ in the last equation we have $\lambda + \rho r = 0$. Hence we see that M admits gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton with $\sigma = 2(\tilde{\lambda}^2 - 1) = r$ and constant f. M is also η -Einstein manifold and verifies Theorem 4.1.

Example 5.3. Let M be a three-dimensional manifold. $w_1 = w$, $w_2 = \phi w$ and $w_3 = \xi$ are vector fields such that

$$[w, \xi] = 2w - \phi w, \quad [\phi w, \xi] = -w - 2\phi w, \quad [w, \phi w] = 2\xi.$$

The semi-Riemannian metric g is defined by

$$g(w, w) = -1, \ g(\phi w, \phi w) = g(\xi, \xi) = 1, \ g(w_i, w_j) = 0, \ i \neq j$$

where i, j = 1, 2, 3. The 1-form η is defined by

$$\eta\left(\zeta_1\right) = g(\zeta_1, \xi)$$

for all ζ_1 on M. Let ϕ be the (1,1)-tensor field defined by

$$\phi \xi = 0, \ \phi w_1 = w_2, \ \phi w_2 = w_1.$$

Then,

$$\eta(\xi) = 1, \, \phi^2(\zeta_1) = \zeta_1 - \eta(\zeta_1) \, \xi$$

$$g(\phi\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2) = -g(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) + \eta(\zeta_1) \, \eta(\zeta_2), \, d\eta(\zeta_1, \zeta_2) = g(\zeta_1, \phi\zeta_2),$$

for any vector fields ζ_1 , ζ_2 on M. Hence (ϕ, ξ, η, g) defines a paracontact structure. Let ∇ be the Levi-Civita connection on M, then by Koszul's formula, we obtain

$$\nabla_w w = 2\xi, \ \nabla_{\phi w} w = -\xi, \quad \nabla_{\xi} w = 0,$$

$$\nabla_w \phi w = \xi, \ \nabla_{\phi w} \phi w = 2\xi, \ \nabla_{\xi} \phi w = 0,$$

$$\nabla_w \xi = -\phi w + 2w, \quad \nabla_{\phi w} \xi = -w - 2\phi w, \ \nabla_{\xi} \xi = 0.$$

Using the covariant derivatives, we compute the components of the Riemannian curvature tensor:

$$R(w, \phi w) \phi w = 5w, \ R(\phi w, \xi) \xi = -5\phi w, \ R(w, \phi w) \xi = 0,$$

$$R(w, \xi) \xi = -5w, \ R(\xi, w) w = 5\xi, \ R(w, \xi) \phi w = 0,$$

$$R(\phi w, w) w = -5\phi w, \ R(\xi, \phi w) \phi w = -5\xi, \ R(\phi w, \xi) w = 0.$$

Also, the followings are valid:

$$hw = \tilde{\lambda}\phi w, \quad h\phi w = -\tilde{\lambda}w, \quad h\xi = 0.$$

$$Qw = (5 + \frac{r}{2})w,$$

$$Q\phi w = (5 + \frac{r}{2})\phi w,$$

$$Q\xi = -10\xi.$$
(5.75)

Thus, the manifold is a $(\kappa \neq -1,0)$ -paracontact metric manifold with $\kappa = -5 < -1$.

From the components of the Riemannian curvature tensor, we derive Rc(w, w) = 0, $Rc(\phi w, \phi w) = 0$, $Rc(\xi, \xi) = -10$. Hence, the scalar curvature $r = -10 = 2\kappa$. Then, using this, (1.5) and (5.75) we get

$$(\lambda - 10\rho)w = 0, \ (\lambda - 10\rho)\phi w = 0, \ (10 + \lambda - 10\rho + \sigma)\xi = 0.$$
 (5.76)

By (5.76), we get $\lambda - 10\rho = 0$ and $r = \sigma = -10$. Hence we see that M admits a gradient η -Ricci-Bourguignon soliton with $\sigma = -10$ and constant f. M is also η -Einstein manifold and verifies Theorem 4.1.

Acknowledgement: The authors would like to express gratitude to the referee for his/her valuable comments and constructive suggestions, which greatly improved the quality and clarity of this article.

References

- [1] Blaga, A., & Ozgur, C. (2022). Remarks on submanifolds as almost η -Ricci Bourguignon solitons. Facta Universitatis Series: Mathematics and Informatics, 37(2), 397–407.
- [2] Blaga, A. M., & Tastan, H. M. (2021). Some results on almost η -Ricci-Bourguignon solitons. Journal of Geometry and Physics, 168, Article 104316.
- [3] Bourguignon, J. P. (1981). Ricci curvature and Einstein metrics. In Global Differential Geometry and Global Analysis (Lecture Notes in Mathematics, Vol. 838, pp. 42–63).
- [4] Cappelletti Montano, B., Küpeli Erken, İ., & Murathan, C. (2012). Nullity conditions in paracontact geometry. Differential Geometry and Its Applications, 30, 665–693.
- [5] Catino, G., Cremaschi, L., Djadli, Z., Mantegazza, C., & Mazzieri, L. (2017). The Ricci-Bourguignon flow. Pacific Journal of Mathematics, 287, 337–370.
- [6] Catino, G., & Mazzieri, L. (2016). Gradient Einstein solitons. Nonlinear Analysis, 132, 66–94.
- [7] Cho, J. T. (2013). Almost contact 3-manifolds and Ricci solitons. International Journal of Geometric Methods in Modern Physics, 10(1), 1220022. https://doi.org/10.1142/S0219887812200228
- [8] De, U. C., Turan, M., Yildiz, A., & De, A. (2012). Ricci solitons and gradient Ricci solitons on 3dimensional normal almost contact metric manifolds. Publications Mathematicae Debrecen, 80(1-2), 127–142.
- [9] Dwivedi, S. (2021). Some results on Ricci-Bourguignon solitons and almost solitons. Canadian Mathematical Bulletin, 64, 591–604.
- [10] Ghosh, A. (2011). Kenmotsu 3-metric as a Ricci soliton. Chaos, Solitons & Fractals, 44(8), 647–650.
- [11] Hamilton, R. S. (1982). Three-manifolds with positive Ricci curvature. Journal of Differential Geometry, 17(2), 255–306.
- [12] Hamilton, R. S. (1988). The Ricci flow on surfaces. Contemporary Mathematics, 71, 237–262.

- [13] Kaneyuki, S., & Konzai, M. (1985). Paracomplex structures and affine symmetric spaces. Tokyo Journal of Mathematics, 8, 301–318.
- [14] Kupeli Erken, İ., & Murathan, C. (2017). A study of three-dimensional paracontact $(\tilde{\kappa}, \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\nu})$ -spaces. International Journal of Geometric Methods in Modern Physics, 14(7), 1750106.
- [15] Mandal, T., De, U. C., Khan, M. A., & Khan, M. N. I. (2024). A study on contact metric manifolds admitting a type of solitons. Journal of Mathematics, 8516906.
- [16] Mandal, T., De, U. C., & Sarkar, A. (2024). η-Ricci-Bourguignon solitons on three-dimensional (almost) coKähler manifolds. Mathematical Methods in the Applied Sciences, 1–14.
- [17] Özkan, M., & Küpeli Erken, İ. (2025). Fischer-Marsden Conjecture on K-paracontact manifolds and Quasi-para-Sasakian manifolds. Communications Faculty of Sciences University of Ankara Series A1: Mathematics and Statistics, 74(1), 68–78.
- [18] Perelman, G. (2002). The entropy formula for the Ricci flow and its geometric applications. arXiv preprint math.DG/0211159.
- [19] Perelman, G. (2003). Ricci flow with surgery on three-manifolds. arXiv preprint math.DG/0303109.
- [20] Perelman, G. (2003). Finite extinction time for the solutions to the Ricci flow on certain three manifolds. arXiv preprint math.DG/0307245.
- [21] Shaikh, A. A., Cunha, A. W., & Mandal, P. (2021). Some characterizations of ρ -Einstein solitons. Journal of Geometry and Physics, 166, 104270.
- [22] Shaikh, A. A., Mondal, C. K., & Mandal, P. (2021). Compact gradient ρ -Einstein soliton is isometric to the Euclidean sphere. Indian Journal of Pure and Applied Mathematics, 52, 335–339.
- [23] Zamkovoy, S. (2009). Canonical connections on paracontact manifolds. Annals of Global Analysis and Geometry, 36(1), 37–60.
- [24] Zamkovoy, S., & Tzanov, V. (2009). Non-existence of flat paracontact metric structures in dimension greater than or equal to five. Annuaire Université de Sofia Faculté de Mathématiques et Informatique, 100, 27–34.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND NATURAL SCIENCES, BURSA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, BURSA, TÜRKIYE

Institute of Science, Bursa Technical University, Bursa, Türkiye