

# Extremal Sasakian Geometry: the Join and Admissible Constructions

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- We give partial answers to these problems for particular cases that are obtained by combining the Sasaki join construction of **B-, Galicki, Ornea** with the admissible Kähler construction of **Apostolov, Calderbank, Gauduchon, Tønnesen-Friedman**.

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- When  $g > 0$  set  $l_2 = 1$  (B-,Tonnesen-Friedman),  $S^3$ -bundles over a **Riemann surface**  $\Sigma_g$  with two **diffeomorphism types**, the trivial bundle  $\Sigma_g \times S^3$ , the non-trivial bundle  $\Sigma_g \tilde{\times} S^3$ .
- On both manifolds there is a countably infinite number of inequivalent **contact** structures  $\mathcal{D}_k$  admitting a 2-dimensional cone of Sasakian structures which by our Fundamental Theorem 1 admits a ray of **CSC** Sasakian structures.
- When  $0 < g \leq 4$  all 2-dimensional Sasaki cones  $\kappa(\mathcal{D}_k, \mathcal{J})$  on  $S^3$ -bundles over  $\Sigma_g$  are exhausted by **extremal Sasaki metrics**
- For  $g \geq 20$  there are rays in  $\kappa(\mathcal{D}_k, \mathcal{J})$  which admit **no** extremal Sasaki metrics.
- For any genus  $g \geq 1$  and for each positive integer  $k$ , the contact manifold  $(\Sigma_g \times S^3, \mathcal{D}_k)$  has a **k-bouquet**  $\mathfrak{B}_k$  of 2-dimensional Sasaki cones.
- The distinct Sasaki cones in the bouquet  $\mathfrak{B}_k$  correspond to distinct conjugacy classes of maximal tori in  $\text{Con}(\mathcal{D}_{l_1, l_2, w})$ . Uses the work of **Buşe** on **equivariant Gromov-Witten invariants**.
- The construction can be 'twisted' by reducible representations of the fundamental group  $\pi_1(\Sigma_g)$ . The irreducible representations of  $\pi_1(\Sigma_g)$  give 1-dimensional Sasaki cones. They arise from **stable** rank two vector bundles and have **CSC** Sasaki metrics.
- Some of the same type of results have been obtained on 5-manifolds whose fundamental group is a non-Abelian extension of  $\pi_1(\Sigma_g)$  in **Castañeda's** thesis.

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