



Quaternionic Bertrand Curves in the Galilean Space

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Abstract. In this article, we introduce the notion of a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curves in G^3 and give some characterizations of such curves. Furthermore, we introduce spatial quaternionic $(1, 3)$ -Bertrand curves in G^4 .

1. Introduction

The geometry of curves in both Euclidean and Minkowski spaces was represented for many years a popular topic in the field of classical differential geometry [4–6, 11]. Global and local properties were studied in several books and new invariants were defined for curves. Two curves which have a common principal normal vector at corresponding points are called Bertrand curves [9, 11].

In four dimensional Euclidean space E^4 , Bertrand curves are generalized and characterized in [11]. Moreover, in 3-dimensional Galilean space G^3 , Bertrand curves are defined and characterized in many papers such as [1, 12].

K. Bharathi and M. Nagaraj in [3] were studied quaternionic curves in both Euclidean space E^3 and Euclidean 4-space E^4 and gave the Frenet formulae for quaternionic curves. For other results of quaternionic curves, we refer to the papers [7, 8, 10, 14]. Moreover, O. Kecilioglu and K. Ilarslan [9] were proved that if the bitorsion of a quaternionic curve α is no vanish, then there is no quaternionic curve in the Euclidean 4-space E^4 is a Bertrand curve. Therefore, they defined $(1, 3)$ - type Bertrand curves for quaternionic curves in the Euclidean 4-space E^4 and gave some characterizations for this type in E^4 by means of the curvature functions of the curve.

In these regards, we introduce the quaternionic Bertrand curves in the Galilean space G^3 and give some characterizations of such curves. Also, we investigate generalized quaternionic Bertrand curves in the Galilean 4-space G^4 and deduce general characterizations of these curves.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we give the basic elements of the theory of quaternions and quaternionic curves. Also, we introduce a brief note about Bertrand curves in the Galilean space.

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A real quaternion q is an expression of the form

$$q = a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2 + a_3 e_3 + a_4 e_4$$

where a_i , ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) are real numbers, and e_i , ($1 \leq i \leq 4$) are quaternionic units which satisfy the non-commutative multiplication rules

$$\begin{aligned} e_i \times e_i &= -e_4, & (1 \leq i \leq 3) \\ e_i \times e_j &= e_k = -e_j \times e_i, & (1 \leq i, j, k \leq 3) \end{aligned}$$

where (ijk) is an even permutation of (123) in the Euclidean space [8].

The algebra of the quaternions is denoted by Q and its natural basis is given by (e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4) . A real quaternion can be given by the form

$$q = S_q + V_q$$

where $S_q = a_4$ is scalar part and $V_q = a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2 + a_3 e_3$ is vector part of q .

On the other hand, the conjugate of $q = S_q + V_q$ is defined by [2]

$$\alpha q = S_q - V_q$$

Let p and q be any two elements of Q . Then the product of p and q is denoted by

$$p \times q = S_p S_q - \langle V_p, V_q \rangle + S_p V_q + S_q V_p + V_p \wedge V_q$$

where we have used the inner and cross products in the Galilean space G^3 .

This defines the symmetric real-valued, non-degenerate, bilinear form as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} h &: Q \times Q \rightarrow R \\ (p, q) &\rightarrow h(p, q) = \frac{1}{2} [p \times \alpha q + q \times \alpha p] \end{aligned}$$

which is called the quaternion inner product. Then the norm of q is given by

$$\|q\|^2 = h(q, q) = \frac{1}{2} [\alpha q \times q + q \times \alpha q] = a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + a_4^2$$

If $\|q\| = 1$, then q is called unit quaternion.

q is called a spatial quaternion whenever $q + \alpha q = 0$ and called a temporal quaternion whenever $q - \alpha q = 0$. Then a general quaternion q can be given as [3]

$$q = \frac{1}{2} [q + \alpha q] + \frac{1}{2} [q - \alpha q] \tag{1}$$

Now, we consider a quaternionic curve in E^3 . The Euclidean space E^3 is identified with the space of spatial quaternion $\{\beta \in Q / \beta + \alpha\beta = 0\}$ in an obvious manner. Let $I = [0, 1]$ be an interval in the real line R and $s \in I$ be the arc-length parameter along the smooth curve

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &: I \subset R \rightarrow Q \\ s &\rightarrow \beta(s) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \beta_i(s) e_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq 3) \end{aligned}$$

The tangent vector $\beta'(s) = \mathbf{t}(s)$ has unit length $\|\mathbf{t}(s)\| = 1$ for all s . It follows

$$\mathbf{t}' \times \alpha \mathbf{t} + \mathbf{t} \times \alpha \mathbf{t}' = 0$$

which implies \mathbf{t}' is orthogonal to \mathbf{t} and $\mathbf{t}' \times \alpha \mathbf{t}$ is a spatial quaternion. Let $\{\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{b}\}$ be the Frenet frame of $\beta(s)$, then Frenet formulae are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{t}' &= k\mathbf{n} \\ \mathbf{n}' &= -k\mathbf{t} + \tau\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{b}' &= -\tau\mathbf{n} \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{b}$ are the unit tangent, the unit principal normal and the unit binormal vector of a quaternionic curve β , respectively. The functions k, τ are called the principal curvature and the torsion of β , respectively [1].

Theorem 2.1. [8, 9] *The four-dimensional Euclidean space E^4 are identified with the space of unique quaternions. Let $I = [0, 1]$ be a unit interval of the real line R and*

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &: I \subset R \rightarrow Q \\ s &\rightarrow \beta(s) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \beta_i(s)e_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq 4) \end{aligned}$$

be a smooth curve in E^4 with non zero curvatures $\{K, k, r - K\}$ and $\{T(s), N(s), B_1(s), B_2(s)\}$ denotes the Frenet frame of the curve. Then the Frenet formulae are given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} T' \\ N' \\ B_1' \\ B_2' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & K & 0 & 0 \\ -K & 0 & k & 0 \\ 0 & -k & 0 & r - K \\ 0 & 0 & -(r - K) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T \\ N \\ B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{2}$$

where K is the principal curvature, k is the torsion and $(r - K)$ is the bitorsion of β .

The notion of Bertrand curves was discovered by J. Bertrand in 1850 and it plays an important role in classical differential geometry, and a lot of mathematicians have studied on the Bertrand curves in different areas [12]. For more about generalized Bertrand curves in the Galilean space and Minkowski space, we refer to [1, 4, 6, 10–13].

3. Quaternionic Bertrand curves in the Galilean 3–Space

Definition 3.1. *Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ be two quaternionic curves in G^3 . $\{T_\alpha(s), N_\alpha(s), B_\alpha(s)\}$ and $\{T_\beta(s^*), N_\beta(s^*), B_\beta(s^*)\}$ are Frenet frames of these curves, respectively. $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ are called Bertrand curves if there exist a bijection $\phi : I \subset R \rightarrow I^*$, and $s \rightarrow \phi(s) = s^*$, $\frac{ds^*}{ds} \neq 0$ and the principal normal lines of $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ are linearly dependent. In other words, if the principal normal lines of $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ at $s \in I$ are parallel.*

Theorem 3.2. *Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ be a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curves in G^3 . Then $d(\alpha(s), \beta(s^*)) = \text{constant}$ for all $s \in I$.*

Proof. From definition (3.1), we can write

$$\beta(s^*) = \alpha(s) + \lambda(s)N_\alpha(s) \tag{3}$$

differentiating with respect to s and using Frenet equations, we get

$$T_\beta(s^*) \frac{ds^*}{ds} = T_\alpha(s) + \lambda'(s)N_\alpha(s) + \lambda(s)\tau_\alpha(s)B_\alpha(s)$$

Let us put $\frac{ds^*}{ds} = \varphi'(s) \neq 0$, then we have

$$T_\beta(s^*) = \frac{1}{\varphi'(s)} [T_\alpha(s) + \lambda'(s)N_\alpha(s) + \lambda(s)\tau_\alpha(s)B_\alpha(s)] \tag{4}$$

Since $\{N_\alpha(s), N_\beta(s^*)\}$ is a linearly dependent set, we get $h(N_\alpha(s), N_\beta(s^*)) \neq 0$ hence $\lambda'(s) = 0$ and λ is a constant function on I . \square

Theorem 3.3. *Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ be a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curves in G^3 . Then the measure of the angle between the tangent vector field of $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ is constant.*

Proof. Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ be a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curves in G^3 with arc length s and s^* , respectively. Define $T_\beta(s^*)$ as follows

$$T_\beta(s^*) = \cos \theta(s)T_\alpha(s) + \sin \theta(s)B_\alpha(s) \tag{5}$$

where θ is the angle between $T_\alpha(s)$ and $T_\beta(s^*)$.

Differentiating with respect to s , we obtain

$$T'_\beta(s^*)\varphi'(s) = \frac{d \cos \theta(s)}{ds}T_\alpha(s) + \cos \theta(s)T'_\alpha(s) + \frac{d \sin \theta(s)}{ds}B_\alpha(s) + \sin \theta(s)B'_\alpha(s)$$

Since $\{T_\alpha(s), B_\alpha(s), N_\alpha(s)\}$ is the Frenet frame on G^3 along $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ is a Bertrand mate of $\alpha(s)$, so

$$\begin{aligned} h(N_\alpha(s), T_\alpha(s)) &= h(N_\alpha(s), B_\alpha(s)) = h(T_\alpha(s), B_\alpha(s)) = 0 \\ h(T_\alpha(s), T_\alpha(s)) &= h(B_\alpha(s), B_\alpha(s)) = h(N_\alpha(s), N_\alpha(s)) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and hence, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d \sin \theta(s)}{ds} = 0 &\Rightarrow \sin \theta(s) = \text{constant} \\ \frac{d \cos \theta(s)}{ds} = 0 &\Rightarrow \cos \theta(s) = \text{constant} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can deduce that the angle θ is constant. \square

Theorem 3.4. *Let $\alpha(s)$ be a spatial quaternionic curve in G^3 with arc length s . $\alpha(s)$ is a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curve if and only if $\alpha(s)$ has a constant torsion.*

Proof. Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ be a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curves in G^3 . From theorem (3.2), we obtain

$$\varphi'(s)T_\beta(s^*) = T_\alpha(s) + \lambda\tau_\alpha(s)B_\alpha(s) \tag{6}$$

Also, from theorem (3.3), we get

$\varphi'(s) = \frac{1}{\cos \theta(s)}$ and $\varphi'(s) \sin \theta(s) = \lambda\tau_\alpha(s)$. Therefore, $\tan \theta(s) = \lambda\tau_\alpha(s)$ which implies that $\tau_\alpha(s) = \frac{\tan \theta(s)}{\lambda}$. Since θ is constant we obtain that τ_α is constant. Conversely, assume that $\tau_\alpha(s)$ is constant and define $\beta(s^*) = \alpha(s) + \lambda(s)N_\alpha(s)$. So, we have

$$\varphi'(s)T_\beta(s^*) = T_\alpha(s) + \lambda\tau_\alpha(s)B_\alpha(s)$$

which implies that

$$(\varphi'(s))^2 = 1 + \lambda^2\tau_\alpha^2 \tag{7}$$

Differentiating with respect to s , we get

$$(\varphi'(s))^2 K_\beta(s^*)N_\beta(s^*) = (K_\alpha(s) - \lambda\tau_\alpha^2(s))N_\alpha(s)$$

and therefore,

$$K_\beta(s^*)N_\beta(s^*) = \frac{K_\alpha(s) - \lambda\tau_\alpha^2}{1 + \lambda^2\tau_\alpha^2}N_\alpha(s) \tag{8}$$

which means that $N_\beta(s^*)$ and $N_\alpha(s)$ are linearly dependent, and according to definition (3.1), it determines that $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ are spatial quaternionic Bertrand pair. \square

Corollary 3.5. Let $\alpha(s)$ be a spatial quaternionic curve in G^3 with arc-length parameter s . $\alpha(s)$ is a spatial quaternionic Bertrand curve if $K_\beta(s^*) = LK_\alpha(s) + M$ where L and M are constants.

Theorem 3.6. Let $(\alpha(s), \beta(s^*))$ be a spatial quaternionic Bertrand pair in G^3 . Then $\frac{\tau_\alpha(s)}{\tau_\beta(s^*)} = \text{constant}$ provided that $\tau_\beta(s^*) \neq 0$.

Proof. If we take $\alpha(s)$ instead of $\beta(s^*)$, then we can write equation (3) in the form:

$$\alpha(s) = \beta(s^*) - \lambda N_\beta(s^*) \tag{9}$$

differentiating with respect to s and using Frenet equations, we obtain

$$T_\alpha(s) = \varphi'(s)T_\beta(s^*) - \lambda\varphi'(s)\tau_\beta(s^*)B_\beta(s^*) \tag{10}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= (\varphi'(s))^2 - \lambda^2\varphi'(s)^2\tau_\beta^2(s^*) \\ &= (\varphi'(s))^2 [1 - \lambda^2\tau_\beta^2(s^*)] \end{aligned}$$

Now, from equation (7), we can get

$$\tau_\alpha^2(s) = \tau_\beta^2(s^*) (1 + \lambda^2\tau_\alpha^2(s))$$

which gives

$$\frac{\tau_\alpha(s)}{\tau_\beta(s^*)} = \sqrt{1 + \lambda^2\tau_\alpha^2(s)}$$

Therefore, $\frac{\tau_\alpha(s)}{\tau_\beta(s^*)}$ is constant. \square

4. Quaternionic Bertrand curves in the Galilean 4–Space

Special Bertrand curves in 4D Galilean space was introduced by Oztekin [13]. In this section we introduce the spatial quaternionic Bertrand curves in G^4 . Let $\alpha(s)$ be a quaternionic curve in the Galilean space G^4 , if $K_{3\alpha}(s) \neq 0$, then there is no quaternionic curve in G^4 is a Bertrand curve. Therefore, we can introduce the following definition.

Definition 4.1. Let $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ be two spatial quaternionic curves in G^4 , $\{T_\alpha(s), N_\alpha(s), B_{1\alpha}(s), B_{2\alpha}(s)\}$ and $\{T_\beta(s^*), N_\beta(s^*), B_{1\beta}(s^*), B_{2\beta}(s^*)\}$ are Frenet frames of these curves, respectively. $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s^*)$ are called spatial quaternionic (1, 3)–Bertrand curves if there exist a bijection

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &: I \rightarrow I^* \\ s &\rightarrow \phi(s) = s^*, \frac{ds^*}{ds} \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

and the plane spanned by $N_\alpha(s), B_{2\alpha}(s)$ at each point $\alpha(s)$ of the curve α coincides with the plane spanned by $N_\beta(s^*), B_{2\beta}(s^*)$ at corresponding point $\beta(s^*) = \beta(\phi(s))$ of the curve β .

Theorem 4.2. Let $\alpha(s)$ be a spatial quaternionic curve in G^4 with curvature functions $K_{1\alpha}(s), K_{2\alpha}(s), K_{3\alpha}(s)$ and $K_{3\alpha}(s) \neq 0$. Then $\alpha(s)$ is a (1, 3)–Bertrand curve if there exist constant real numbers ρ, σ, ζ and δ satisfying

1. $\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s) \neq 0$,
2. $\zeta (\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)) = 1$,
3. $\delta K_{3\alpha}(s) = \zeta K_{1\alpha}(s) - K_{2\alpha}(s)$

Proof. We assume that $\alpha(s)$ is a $(1, 3)$ - Bertrand curve parametrized by arc length s . The $(1, 3)$ - Bertrand mate $\beta(s)$ is given by

$$\beta(s^*) = \beta(\phi(s)) = \alpha(s) + \rho(s)N_\alpha(s) + \sigma(s)B_{2\alpha}(s) \tag{11}$$

for all $s \in I$, where $\rho(s)$ and $\sigma(s)$ are C^∞ - functions on I and s^* is the arc length parameter of β .

Differentiating equation (11) with respect to s and using the Frenet equations, we obtain

$$\phi'(s)T_\beta(s^*) = T_\alpha(s) + \rho'(s)N_\alpha(s) + [\rho(s)K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma(s)K_{3\alpha}(s)]B_{1\alpha}(s) + \sigma'(s)B_{2\alpha}(s)$$

for all $s \in I$.

Since the plane spanned by $N_\alpha(s)$ and $B_{2\alpha}(s)$ coincides with the plane spanned by $N_\beta(s^*)$ and $B_{2\beta}(s^*)$, we can put

$$N_\beta(s^*) = \cos \theta(s)N_\alpha(s) + \sin \theta(s)B_{2\alpha}(s) \tag{12}$$

and

$$B_{2\beta}(s^*) = (-\sin \theta(s))N_\alpha(s) + \cos \theta(s)B_{2\alpha}(s) \tag{13}$$

and we notice that $\sin \theta(s) \neq 0$ for all $s \in I$, also we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \rho'(s) \cos \theta(s) + \sigma'(s) \sin \theta(s) &= 0 \\ -\rho'(s) \sin \theta(s) + \sigma'(s) \cos \theta(s) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

from these equations, we get $\sigma'(s) = 0$ and $\rho'(s) = 0$, hence $\rho(s)$ and $\sigma(s)$ are constant functions on I with values ρ and σ , respectively.

Thus, for all $s \in I$, equation (11) can be rewritten in the form

$$\beta(s^*) = \beta(\phi(s)) = \alpha(s) + \rho N_\alpha(s) + \sigma B_{2\alpha}(s) \tag{14}$$

differentiating with respect to s and using the Frenet equations, we obtain

$$\phi'(s)T_\beta(s^*) = T_\alpha(s) + [\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)]B_{1\alpha}(s)$$

and

$$(\phi'(s))^2 = 1 + (\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s))^2 \neq 0 \tag{15}$$

for all $s \in I$.

Therefore, we can put

$$T_\beta(s^*) = (\cos \psi(s)) T_\alpha(s) + (\sin \psi(s)) B_{1\alpha}(s) \tag{16}$$

and we obtain $\cos \psi(s) = \frac{1}{\phi'(s)}$ and $\sin \psi(s) = \frac{\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)}{\phi'(s)}$ where $\psi(s)$ is a C^∞ - functions on I .

Differentiating equation (16) and using Frenet equations, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \phi'(s)K_{1\beta}(s^*)N_\beta(s^*) &= [\cos \psi(s)K_{1\alpha}(s) - \sin \psi(s)K_{2\alpha}(s)]N_\alpha(s) + \frac{d \cos \psi(s)}{ds}T_\alpha(s) \\ &\quad + \frac{d \sin \psi(s)}{ds}B_{1\alpha}(s) + \sin \psi(s)K_{3\alpha}(s)B_{2\alpha}(s) \end{aligned}$$

Since $N_\beta(s^*) = N_\beta(\phi(s))$ is expressed by a linear combination of $N_\alpha(s)$ and $B_{2\alpha}(s)$, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d \cos \psi(s)}{ds}T_\alpha(s) &= 0 \implies \frac{d \cos \psi(s)}{ds} = 0 \\ \frac{d \sin \psi(s)}{ds}B_{1\alpha}(s) &= 0 \implies \frac{d \sin \psi(s)}{ds} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., $\psi(s)$ is a constant function on I with value ψ , and hence

$$T_\beta(s^*) = T_\alpha(s) \cos \psi + B_{1\alpha}(s) \sin \psi \tag{17}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sin \psi &= \frac{\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)}{\phi'(s)} \\ \cos \psi &= \frac{1}{\phi'(s)} \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\sin \psi = (\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)) \cos \psi \tag{18}$$

for all $s \in I$.

If $\sin \psi = 0$, then it holds $\cos \psi = \mp 1$ and hence equation (17) becomes

$$T_\beta(s^*) = \mp T_\alpha(s) \tag{19}$$

Differentiating with respect to s and using the Frenet equations, we obtain

$$\phi'(s)K_{1\beta}(s^*)N_\beta(s^*) = \mp K_{1\alpha}(s)N_\alpha(s)$$

i.e.,

$$N_\beta(s^*) = \mp N_\alpha(s) \tag{20}$$

for all $s \in I$, and this is a contradiction. Hence, we must consider only the case of $\sin \psi \neq 0$, then equation (18) implies that

$$\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s) \neq 0 \tag{21}$$

and therefore, we obtain the first relation.

The fact $\sin \psi \neq 0$ and equation (18) imply that

$$\zeta (\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)) = 1 \tag{22}$$

where $\zeta = \frac{\cos \psi}{\sin \psi}$ is a constant number and hence we obtain the second relation.

Differentiating equation (17) with respect to s and using the Frenet equations, we obtain

$$(\phi'(s)K_{1\beta}(s^*))^2 = [\cos \psi K_{1\alpha}(s) - \sin \psi K_{2\alpha}(s)]^2 + (\sin \psi K_{3\alpha}(s))^2 \tag{23}$$

and from equations (22) and (23), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi'(s)K_{1\beta}(s^*))^2 &= [(\zeta K_{1\alpha}(s) - K_{2\alpha}(s))^2 + (K_{3\alpha}(s))^2] \cdot \\ &\quad (\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s))^2 (\phi'(s))^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

for all $s \in I$.

From equation (15) and the second relation, we get

$$(\phi'(s))^2 = (\zeta^2 + 1) (\lambda K_{2\alpha}(s) - \mu K_{3\alpha}(s))^2$$

Thus, we obtain

$$(\phi'(s)K_{1\beta}(s^*))^2 = \frac{1}{\zeta^2 + 1} [(\zeta K_{1\alpha}(s) - K_{2\alpha}(s))^2 + (K_{3\alpha}(s))^2] \tag{24}$$

From equations (22),(23) and the second relation, we can put

$$N_{\beta}(s^*) = N_{\beta}(\phi(s)) = \cos \eta(s)N_{\alpha}(s) + \sin \eta(s)B_{2\alpha}(s) \quad (25)$$

where

$$\cos \eta(s) = \frac{(\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s)) (\zeta K_{1\alpha}(s) - K_{2\alpha}(s))}{K_{1\beta}(\phi(s)) (\phi'(s))^2} \quad (26)$$

and

$$\sin \eta(s) = \frac{K_{3\alpha}(s) (\rho K_{2\alpha}(s) - \sigma K_{3\alpha}(s))}{K_{1\beta}(\phi(s)) (\phi'(s))^2} \quad (27)$$

for all $s \in I$. Here, η is a C^{∞} -function on I .

Differentiating equation (25) with respect to s and using Frenet equations, we obtain

$$\frac{d \cos \eta(s)}{ds} = 0, \quad \frac{d \sin \eta(s)}{ds} = 0$$

that is, η is a constant function on I with value η_0 . From equations (26) and (27), we obtain

$$K_{3\alpha}(s) \frac{\cos \eta_0}{\sin \eta_0} = (\zeta K_{1\alpha}(s) - K_{2\alpha}(s))$$

Let $\delta = \frac{\cos \eta_0}{\sin \eta_0}$ be a constant number, we then get

$$\delta K_{3\alpha}(s) = \zeta K_{1\alpha}(s) - K_{2\alpha}(s)$$

which is the third relation. \square

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