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# Generalized Cross Product in (2 + s)-Dimensional Framed Metric **Manifolds with Application to Legendre Curves**

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**Abstract** — This study generalizes the cross product defined in 3-dimensional almost contact metric manifolds and describes a new generalized cross product for n = 1 in (2n + s)-dimensional framed metric manifolds. Moreover, it studies some of the proposed product's basic properties. It also performs characterizations of the curvature of a Legendre curve on an S-manifold and calculates the curvature of a Published: 31 Mar 2023 Legendre curve. Furthermore, it shows that Legendre curves are also biharmonic curves. Next, this study doi:10.53570/jnt.1213002 observes that a Legendre curve of osculating order 5 on S-manifolds is imbedded in the 3-dimensional Kcontact space. Lastly, the current paper discusses the need for further research.

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#### 1. Introduction

Yano [1] has led up to the groundwork of S-manifolds and has defined the concept of f-structures in  $M^{2n+s}$ manifolds. Almost complex (s = 0) and almost contact (s = 1) structures are examples of f-structures. Goldberg and Yano [2] have defined the concept of the framed f-structures. Moreover, they have suggested a complex structure by the concept of f-structures. Furthermore, they have proposed the concept of framed metric manifolds by examining the normality condition of a metric framed structure. Blair [3] has introduced S-manifolds, generalizing almost complex Kaehler and almost contact Sasakian structures. Sarkar et al. [4] have found the curvature and torsion of Legendre curves in 3-dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds with respect to the semisymmetric metric connection. Özgür and Güvenç [5] have propounded biharmonic Legendre curves in S-space forms. They have analyzed characterizations of the curvature of the biharmonic Legendre curves in 4 cases.

This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 provides the concept of S-manifolds and some of their basic properties. Section 3 generalizes the new cross-product in a 3-dimensional almost contact metric manifolds defined by Camcı [6] and defines a generalized cross-product in (2 + s)-dimensional S-manifolds. Besides, it demonstrates that this cross-product in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is coherent with a triple product [7] by an example. In addition, Section 3 provides the basic properties of the generalized cross-product. Section 4 calculates the curvature of Legendre curves using the generalized cross-product and demonstrated that (2 + 3)-dimensional S-manifolds are imbedded in 3-dimensional space. Finally, the need for further research is discussed.

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#### 2. Preliminaries

This section provides the concept of S-manifolds and some of their basic properties.

**Definition 2.1.** [1] Let (M, g) be a Riemannian manifold with dim M = 2n + s. It is said to be a framed f-structure if f is a tensor field of type (1, 1) and rank 2n satisfying  $f^3 + f = 0$ .

**Definition 2.2.** [2] Let  $M^{2n+s}$  be a manifold with an f-structure of rank 2n. Then, f-structure is said to be has completed frames if there exists vector fields  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_s$  on  $M^{2n+s}$ , and  $\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_s$  are 1-forms, then  $\eta_i \circ f = 0$ ,  $f \circ \xi_i = 0$ , and  $f^2 = -I + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i \otimes \xi_i$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [8] Let  $M^{2n+s}$  be an f-structure with completed frames. The framed f-structure is normal if the tensor field S of type (1,2) given by

$$S = [f, f] + 2\sum_{i=1}^{S} d\eta_i \otimes \xi_i$$

vanishes.

**Definition 2.4.** [2] Let  $M^{2n+s}$  be a manifold. Then, M is said to be an S-manifold if the f-structure is normal.

**Definition 2.5.** [1] Let  $M^{2n+s}$  be a Riemannian manifold. The distribution on M spanned by the structure vector fields is denoted by  $\mathcal{M}$ , and its complementary orthogonal distribution is denoted by D. Consequently,  $TM = D \oplus \mathcal{M}$ . Moreover, if  $X \in D$ , then  $\eta_i(X) = 0$ , for any  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ , and if  $X \in \mathcal{M}$ , then fX = 0.

**Definition 2.6.** [2] Let  $M^{2n+s}$  has an f-structure with completed frames. If there exists a Riemannian metric g on  $M^{2n+s}$  such that

$$g(X,Y) = g(fX,fY) + \sum_{i=1}^{s} \eta_i(X)\eta_i(Y)$$

and  $X, Y \in \chi(M^{2n+s})$ , then  $M^{2n+s}$  is called that has a metric f-structure.

From now on, the notation  $\phi$  is used instead of f.

**Definition 2.7.** [3] Let  $M^{2n+s}$  be an S-manifold. The covariant differentiation  $\nabla$  of  $M^{2n+s}$  satisfies

$$\nabla_X \xi_i = -\phi X, \quad i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$

and

$$(\nabla_X \phi) Y = \sum_{i=1}^s [g(\phi X, \phi Y) \xi_i + \eta_i(Y) \phi^2 X]$$

for all  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ . Besides, for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ ,  $\eta_1 \wedge \eta_2 \wedge \dots \wedge \eta_s \wedge (d\eta_i)^n \neq 0$  and  $\Phi = d\eta_i$  on an *S*-manifold such that  $\Phi$  is the fundamental 2-form defined by

$$\Phi(X,Y) = g(X,\phi Y), X,Y \in TM$$

**Definition 2.8.** [9] A submanifold of an S-manifold is called an integral submanifold if

$$\eta_i(X) = 0$$
,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ , for all  $X \in \gamma(M)$ 

**Definition 2.9.** [5] A 1-dimensional integral submanifold of an *S*-manifold  $(M^{2n+s}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$  is called a Legendre curve of M. In other words, a curve  $\gamma: I \to M$  is called a Legendre curve if  $\eta_i(T) = 0$ , for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$  such that T is the tangent vector field of  $\gamma$ .

## 3. Generalized Cross product in (2 + s)-dimensional Framed Metric Manifolds

This section, firstly, generalizes the cross-product in a 3-dimensional almost contact metric manifolds defined by Camci [5] and defines a generalized cross-product in (2 + s)-dimensional S-manifolds.

**Definition 3.1.** Let A be a matrix of type  $s \times (s + 1)$ . Then,

 $i.\ \tilde{A}_{ijk}$  such that  $i,k\in\{1,2,\cdots,s\}$  and  $j\in\{i+1,i+2,\cdots,s+1\}$  is the matrix obtained by deleting the  $i^{th}$  and  $j^{th}$  columns and  $k^{th}$  row of the matrix A. Specially, for s=1,  $\det \tilde{A}_{121}=1$ .

 $ii. \tilde{A}_{mn}$  such that  $m \in \{2,3,\dots,s\}$  and  $n \in \{m+1,m+2,\dots,s+1\}$  is the matrix obtained by deleting the  $i^{th}$  and  $j^{th}$  columns of the matrix A and adding the first column of the matrix A to the left of the first column as a new column.

For example, for s = 3, let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then,

$$\tilde{A}_{231} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{21} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{34} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\tilde{\tilde{A}}_{23} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{11} & a_{14} \\ a_{21} & a_{21} & a_{24} \\ a_{31} & a_{31} & a_{34} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Definition 3.2.** Let  $M = (M^{2+s}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ , be a framed metric manifold in (2+s)-dimensional space. We define a generalized cross-product  $\times$  by

$$X_{1} \times X_{2} \times \dots \times X_{s+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{s} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=i+1}^{s+1} (-1)^{i+j+k} \Phi(X_{i}, X_{j}) \det \tilde{A}_{ijk} \right) \xi_{k} + \begin{vmatrix} \phi X_{1} & \phi X_{2} & \cdots & \phi X_{s+1} \\ \eta_{1}(X_{1}) & \eta_{1}(X_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{1}(X_{s+1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \eta_{s}(X_{1}) & \eta_{s}(X_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{s}(X_{s+1}) \end{vmatrix}$$
(1)

such that  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{s+1} \in TM$  and

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1(X_1) & \eta_1(X_2) & \cdots & \eta_1(X_{s+1}) \\ \eta_2(X_1) & \eta_2(X_2) & \cdots & \eta_2(X_{s+1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \eta_s(X_1) & \eta_s(X_2) & \cdots & \eta_s(X_{s+1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Moreover,  $\tilde{A}_{ijk}$ ,  $i, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$  and  $j \in \{i + 1, i + 2, \dots, s + 1\}$ , is as in Definition 3.1. For example, for s = 1, we obtain

$$X_1 \times X_2 = \Phi(X_1, X_2)\xi_1 + \eta_1(X_2)\phi X_1 - \eta_1(X_1)\phi X_2 \tag{2}$$

Equation 2 gives the cross product in 3-dimensional almost contact metric manifolds defined in [6]. For s = 2, the generalized cross-product is

$$\begin{split} X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3 &= \left( \Phi(X_1, X_2) \eta_2(X_3) - \Phi(X_1, X_3) \eta_2(X_2) + \Phi(X_2, X_3) \eta_2(X_1) \right) \xi_1 \\ &+ \left( -\Phi(X_1, X_2) \eta_1(X_3) + \Phi(X_1, X_3) \eta_1(X_2) - \Phi(X_2, X_3) \eta_1(X_1) \right) \xi_2 \\ &+ \begin{vmatrix} \phi X_1 & \phi X_2 & \phi X_3 \\ \eta_1(X_1) & \eta_1(X_2) & \eta_1(X_3) \\ \eta_2(X_1) & \eta_2(X_2) & \eta_2(X_3) \end{vmatrix} \end{split}$$

Secondly, it demonstrates that this cross-product in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is coherent with a triple product [7] by an example.

**Example 3.3.** For the subspace  $V = \{(x_1, x_2, 0, 0) \mid x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$  of the 4-dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^4(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ , the projection function  $\pi(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (x_1, x_2, 0, 0)$ , and the almost complex plane  $J(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (x_2, -x_1, -x_4, x_3)$ ,  $\left(\mathbb{R}^4(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4), \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g\right)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , is a framed metric manifold such that  $\phi = J \circ \pi$ ,  $\eta_1 = dx_3$ ,  $\eta_2 = dx_4$ ,  $\xi_1 = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ ,  $\xi_2 = (0, 0, 0, 1)$ , and g is the standard Euclidean metric. As a result,  $X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3 = X_1 \wedge X_2 \wedge X_3$  such that  $X_1 \wedge X_2 \wedge X_3$  is the triple product in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  provided in [7].

Finally, this section provides some of the basic properties of the generalized cross-product.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $M = (M^{2+s}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$  be a framed metric manifold in (2+s)-dimensional space. Then, for all  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{s+1} \in TM$ , the generalized cross-product has the following properties:

*i*. The generalized cross-product is bilinear and antisymmetric.

ii.  $X_1 \times X_2 \times \cdots \times X_{s+1}$  is perpendicular to each of  $X_1, X_2, \cdots, X_{s+1}$ .

*iii.* 
$$\phi X = \xi_1 \times \xi_2 \times \cdots \times \xi_s \times X$$
.

Proof.

i. The proof is straightforward from the fundamental 2-form Φ and the determinant function's bilinearity.

ii. We need to show that  $g(X_1 \times X_2 \times \cdots \times X_{s+1}, X_t) = 0$ , for  $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, s+1\}$ . For t = 1, from Equation 1, we obtain

$$g(X_{1} \times X_{2} \times \dots \times X_{s+1}, X_{1}) = \sum_{k=1}^{s} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=i+1}^{s+1} (-1)^{i+j+k} \Phi(X_{i}, X_{j}) \det \tilde{A}_{ijk} \right) \eta_{k}(X_{1}) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & g(\phi X_{2}, X_{1}) & \cdots & g(\phi X_{s+1}, X_{1}) \\ \eta_{1}(X_{1}) & \eta_{1}(X_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{1}(X_{s+1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \eta_{s}(X_{1}) & \eta_{s}(X_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{s}(X_{s+1}) \end{pmatrix}$$
(3)

Thus.

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & g(\phi X_{2}, X_{1}) & \cdots & g(\phi X_{s+1}, X_{1}) \\ \eta_{1}(X_{1}) & \eta_{1}(X_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{1}(X_{s+1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \eta_{s}(X_{1}) & \eta_{s}(X_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{s}(X_{s+1}) \end{vmatrix} = \sum_{k=1}^{s} \left( \sum_{j=2}^{s+1} (-1)^{j+k} \Phi(X_{1}, X_{j}) \det \tilde{A}_{1jk} \right) \eta_{k}(X_{1})$$

$$(4)$$

If we substitute Equation 4 for Equation 3, we get

$$g(X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3 \times \dots \times X_{s+1}, X_1) = \sum_{i=2}^{s} \sum_{j=i+1}^{s+1} (-1)^{i+j} \Phi(X_i, X_j) \det \tilde{A}_{ij}$$

Here, the  $\tilde{\tilde{A}}_{ij}$ ,  $i \in \{2,3,\cdots,s\}$  and  $j \in \{i+1,i+2,\cdots,s+1\}$ , is as in Definition 3.1. Thus,  $\det \tilde{\tilde{A}}_{ij} = 0$ . Therefore,

$$g(X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3 \times \cdots \times X_{s+1}, X_1) = 0$$

Similarly, it is proved that  $g(X_1 \times X_2 \times X_3 \times \cdots \times X_{s+1}, X_t) = 0$ , for  $t \in \{2,3,\cdots,s+1\}$ .

*iii.* If  $\xi_i = Y_i$ , for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ , and  $X = Y_{s+1}$ , for all  $X, \xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_s \in TM$ , from Equation 1,

$$\xi_{1} \times \xi_{2} \times ... \times \xi_{s} \times X = Y_{1} \times Y_{2} \times ... \times Y_{s+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{s} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{s} \sum_{j=i+1}^{s+1} (-1)^{i+j+k} \Phi(Y_{i}, Y_{j}) \det \tilde{A}_{ijk} \right) \xi_{k} + \begin{pmatrix} \phi Y_{1} & \phi Y_{2} & \cdots & \phi Y_{s+1} \\ \eta_{1}(Y_{1}) & \eta_{1}(Y_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{1}(Y_{s+1}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \eta_{s}(Y_{1}) & \eta_{s}(Y_{2}) & \cdots & \eta_{s}(Y_{s+1}) \end{pmatrix}$$
(5)

From Equation 5,  $\Phi(Y_i, Y_j) = 0$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s+1\}$ . Then, if we substitute the expressions  $\phi Y_i = \phi \xi_i = 0$  and  $Y_{s+1} = X$  in Equation 5, we get  $\xi_1 \times \xi_2 \times ... \times \xi_s \times X = \phi X$ .  $\square$ 

### 4. Legendre Curves in S-manifolds

Let  $\gamma: I \to M$  be a unit-speed curve in an *n*-dimensional Riemannian manifold (M, g) and  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r$  be positive functions on I. If there is an orthonormal basis  $\{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_r\}$  along  $\gamma$  that satisfies the following Frenet equations,  $\gamma$  is called a Frenet curve of osculating order r:

$$V_{1} = \gamma'$$

$$\nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1} = k_{1}V_{2}$$

$$\nabla_{V_{1}}V_{2} = -k_{1}V_{1} + k_{2}V_{3}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\nabla_{V_{1}}V_{r} = -k_{r-1}V_{r-1}$$

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $M = (M^{2+s}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be an *S*-manifold and  $\gamma: I \to M$  be a Legendre curve of osculating order (2 + s). Then, for  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ , the following equations are obtained:

$$V_2 = \varepsilon \phi V_1$$

$$V_3 = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{s}} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{s} \xi_s$$

$$k_2 = \sqrt{s}$$

and

$$k_3 = 0$$

Proof.

For the function  $\sigma_{ij}: I \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\sigma_{ij}(s) = g(V_i, \xi_j)$ , for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s+2\}$  and  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ ,

$$\xi_j = \sum_{i=1}^{s+2} \sigma_{ij} V_i, \quad j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$
 (6)

Let  $\gamma$  be a Legendre curve. Then,

$$\sigma_{11} = \sigma_{12} = \dots = \sigma_{1s} = 0 \tag{7}$$

Moreover, from Theorem 3.4,

$$\phi V_{1} = (-1)^{s+1} \begin{vmatrix} V_{2} & V_{3} & \dots & V_{s+1} & V_{s+2} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_{31} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+1)1} & \sigma_{(s+2)1} \\ \sigma_{22} & \sigma_{32} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+1)2} & \sigma_{(s+2)2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{2s} & \sigma_{3s} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+1)s} & \sigma_{(s+2)s} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$(8)$$

If we take the derivative from  $\sigma_{11}=0=g(V_1,\xi_1)$ , then

$$\sigma_{21} = \sigma_{22} = \sigma_{23} = \dots = \sigma_{2s} = 0 \tag{9}$$

From Equations 8-10,

$$\phi V_{1} = (-1)^{s+1} \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_{31} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+1)1} & \sigma_{(s+2)1} \\ \sigma_{32} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+1)2} & \sigma_{(s+2)2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{3s} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+1)s} & \sigma_{(s+2)s} \end{vmatrix} V_{2}$$
(10)

If we substitute Equations 7 and 9 in Equation 6, then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_s \end{bmatrix} = 
\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{31} & \sigma_{41} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+2)1} \\ \sigma_{32} & \sigma_{42} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+2)2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{3s} & \sigma_{42} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+2)s} \end{bmatrix} 
\begin{bmatrix} V_3 \\ V_4 \\ \vdots \\ V_{s+2} \end{bmatrix}$$
(11)

Since  $\{\xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_s\}$  and  $\{V_3, ..., V_{s+2}\}$  are orthonormal systems, B is an orthonormal matrix. In this case,  $|B| = \pm 1$  where |B| is the determinant of the matrix B. From Equation 10, for  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ ,

$$\phi V_1 = \varepsilon V_2 \tag{12}$$

From Equation 12,

$$\phi V_2 = \varepsilon V_1 \tag{13}$$

If we take the derivative from  $\sigma_{2i} = g(V_2, \xi_i) = 0$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ ,

$$k_2 \sigma_{3k} = g(V_2, \phi V_1), \quad k \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$
 (14)

From Equation 8,

$$g(V_2, \phi V_1) = 1 \tag{15}$$

Then, from Equations 14 and 15,

$$k_2 \sigma_{3k} = 1, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$

In this case,

$$\sigma_{3k} = \frac{1}{k_2}, \quad k \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$
 (16)

Since B is an orthonormal matrix,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{s} (\sigma_{3k})^2 = 1 \tag{17}$$

From Equations 16 and 17, for  $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ ,

$$\sigma_{3k} = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{s}}, \quad k \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$
 (18)

and

$$k_2 = \sqrt{s}$$

If we take the derivative from Equation 17, then

$$-k_2g(V_2,\xi_1) + k_3g(V_4,\xi_1) + g(V_3,\phi V_1) = 0$$
(19)

From Equations 9 and 12, Equation 19 becomes

$$k_3 \sigma_{41} = 0 (20)$$

Similarly,

$$k_3 \sigma_{42} = k_3 \sigma_{43} = \dots = k_3 \sigma_{4s} = 0 \tag{21}$$

As the matrix B is orthonormal,

$$(\sigma_{41})^2 + (\sigma_{42})^2 + \dots + (\sigma_{4s})^2 = 1 \tag{22}$$

From Equations 20-22,

$$k_3 = 0$$

Since *B* is an orthonormal matrix, we can write Equation 11 as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} V_3 \\ V_4 \\ \vdots \\ V_{S+2} \end{bmatrix} = B^T \begin{bmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \xi_S \end{bmatrix}$$
 (23)

From Equations 11 and 18,

$$B^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\sqrt{s}} & \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\sqrt{s}} & \dots & \frac{\mathcal{E}}{\sqrt{s}} \\ \sigma_{41} & \sigma_{42} & \dots & \sigma_{4s} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{(s+2)1} & \sigma_{(s+2)2} & \dots & \sigma_{(s+2s,)s} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(24)$$

and from Equations 23 and 24,

$$V_3 = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{s}} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{s} \xi_{\alpha}$$

is obtained. □

**Remark 4.2.** In [5], Özgür and Güvenç assumed that  $V_2 = \phi V_1$  and obtained the same results as in Theorem 4.1 for biharmonic Legendre curves. Thus, Legendre curves are also biharmonic.

In [10], Hasegawa et al. have introduced  $\mathbb{R}^{2+s}(-3s)$  space as follows: Let the coordinate functions' set of  $M = \mathbb{R}^{2+s}$  be  $\{x, y, z_1, \dots, z_s\}$ . In this space,

$$\xi_{i} = 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_{i}}, \quad i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$

$$\eta_{j} = \frac{1}{2} (dz_{j} - ydx), \quad j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$

$$(25)$$

and

$$g = \frac{1}{4}(dx^2 + dy^2) + \sum_{j=1}^{s} \eta_j \otimes \eta_j$$

with

$$X = e_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + e_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \sum_{i=1}^{s} \xi_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \in \chi(M)$$

Thus,  $(M = \mathbb{R}^{2+s}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$  is an *S*-space form with the constant  $\varphi$ -sectional curvature c = -3s. Besides,  $\{e, \phi e, \xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_s\}$  is an orthonormal basis on  $\mathbb{R}^{2+s}(-3s)$  such that

$$e_1 = e = 2\frac{\partial}{\partial y},$$
  $e_2 = \phi e = 2\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y\sum_{i=1}^s \xi_i\right),$  and  $\xi_i = 2\frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$ 

According to this basis, the Levi-Civita connection is calculated as

$$\nabla_e e = \nabla_{\phi e} \phi e = 0$$

$$\nabla_e \phi e = \sum_{i=1}^s \xi_i$$
(26)

$$\nabla_{\phi e} e = -\sum_{i=1}^{s} \xi_{i}$$

$$\nabla_{e} \xi_{i} = \nabla_{\xi_{i}} e = -\phi e$$
(26)

and

$$\nabla_{\phi e} \xi_i = \nabla_{\xi_i} \phi e = e$$

We will examine Legendre curves in  $\mathbb{R}^{2+s}(-3s)$ . Let  $\gamma: I \to \mathbb{R}^{2+s}(-3s)$  be a Legendre curve. Let

$$\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t), z_1(t), \dots, z_s(t))$$

such that t is the arc-length parameter. If the tangent vector field of  $\gamma$  is  $V_1$ , then  $\eta_j(V_1) = 0$ ,  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$  since  $\gamma$  is a Legendre curve. From Equation 25,

$$z'_1(t) = z'_2(t) = \dots = z'_s(t) = y(t)x'(t)$$

If  $z_i(t) = f(t)$ , then

$$y(t) = (x(t), y(t), f(t) + c_1, f(t) + c_2, \dots, f(t) + c_s)$$

If the tangent vector field of the curve  $\gamma$  in terms of basis  $\{e, \phi e, \xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_s\}$  is as follows:

$$V_1 = \frac{1}{2}(y'e + x'\phi e)$$

Since  $\gamma$  is a unit speed curve,

$$(x')^2 + (y')^2 = 4$$

Hence, we have the following example:

**Example 4.3.**  $\gamma: I \to \mathbb{R}^{2+s}(-3s), \gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t), f(t) + c_1, f(t) + c_2, ..., f(t) + c_s)$  is a unit speed Legendre curve such that

$$x(t) = \frac{2}{c}\cos\theta(t) + x_0$$
$$y(t) = \frac{2}{c}\sin\theta(t) + y_0$$
$$f(t) = \frac{1}{c^2}\sin 2\theta + \frac{2y_0}{c}\cos\theta - \frac{2}{c}t$$

and

$$\theta(t) = ct + c_0$$

The tangent vector field of  $\gamma$  in terms of basis  $\{e, \phi e, \xi_1, \xi_2, ..., \xi_s\}$  is  $V_1 = \cos \theta \, e - \sin \theta \, \phi e$ . From 26,

$$\nabla_{V_1} e = \sin \theta \sum_{i=1}^{s} \xi_i$$

$$\nabla_{V_1} \phi e = \cos \theta \sum_{i=1}^{s} \xi_i$$

$$\nabla_{V_1} \xi_i = -\sin \theta \, e - \cos \theta \, \phi e, \quad i \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$

$$\nabla_{V_1} V_1 = -c \sin \theta \, e - c \cos \theta \, \phi e$$

and

$$k_1 = c$$

Then,  $V_2 = -(\sin\theta \, e + \cos\theta \, \phi e)$  and  $\phi V_1 = \cos\theta \, \phi e + \sin\theta \, e = -V_2$ . If

$$E_1 = \gamma' = V_1$$

$$E_2 = \nabla_{V_1} V_1$$

and

$$E_{3} = \nabla_{V_{1}}(\nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1}) - \frac{\langle \nabla_{V_{1}}(\nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1}), \nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1} \rangle}{\langle \nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1}, \nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1} \rangle} \nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1} - \frac{\langle \nabla_{V_{1}}(\nabla_{V_{1}}V_{1}), V_{1} \rangle}{\langle V_{1}, V_{1} \rangle} V_{1}$$

then

$$V_3 = \frac{E_3}{\|E_3\|}$$

and

$$\nabla_{V_1}(\nabla_{V_1}V_1) = -c^2\cos\theta \ e + c^2\sin\theta \ \phi e - c\sum_{i=1}^s \xi_i$$

Then,

$$\langle \nabla_{V_1}(\nabla_{V_1}V_1), \nabla_{V_1}V_1 \rangle = 0$$
$$\langle \nabla_{V_1}(\nabla_{V_1}V_1), V_1 \rangle = -c^2$$

$$E_3 = -c\sum_{i=1}^s \xi_i$$

and

$$V_3 = \frac{-\sum_{i=1}^{s} \xi_i}{\sqrt{s}}$$

From  $k_2 = \langle \nabla_{V_1} V_2, V_3 \rangle$  and

$$\nabla_{V_1} V_2 = -\left(c\cos\theta \, e - c\sin\theta \, \phi e + \sum_{i=1}^{s} \xi_i\right)$$

we obtain  $k_2 = \sqrt{s}$ . Similarly, since

$$\nabla_{V_1} V_3 = \sqrt{s} (\sin \theta \, e + \cos \theta \, \phi e)$$

and

$$\nabla_{V_1} V_3 = -k_2 V_2 + k_3 V_4$$

we obtain  $k_3V_4 = 0$ . Thus,  $k_3 = 0$ .  $\square$ 

Let  $\alpha: I \to M$  be a unit-speed curve in a 4-dimensional Riemannian manifold (M, g). The Frenet vectors of the curve  $\alpha$  are

$$V_1 = \alpha', \quad V_2 = \frac{\alpha''}{\|\alpha''\|}, \quad V_4 = -\frac{\alpha' \times \alpha'' \times \alpha'''}{\|\alpha' \times \alpha'' \times \alpha'''\|}, \quad \text{and} \quad V_3 = V_4 \times V_1 \times V_2$$
 (27)

and the system  $\{V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4\}$  is an orthonormal system in 4-dimensional space [11]. From Equation 27,

$$V_4 = -V_1 \times V_2 \times V_3 \tag{28}$$

is obtained.

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $M = (M^{2+2}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , be an S-manifold and  $\gamma: I \to M^{2+2}$  be a Legendre curve of osculating order 4. Then,  $V_4 = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_1 - \xi_2)$ .

Proof.

From Equations 1 and 28,

$$V_4 = (g(V_1, \phi V_2)\eta_2(V_3) - g(V_1, \phi V_3)\eta_2(V_2) + g(V_2, \phi V_3)\eta_2(V_1))\xi_1$$

$$+\left(-g(V_{1},\phi V_{2})\eta_{1}(V_{3})+g(V_{1},\phi V_{3})\eta_{1}(V_{2})-g(V_{2},\phi V_{3})\eta_{1}(V_{1})\right)\xi_{2}+\begin{vmatrix}\phi V_{1} & \phi V_{2} & \phi V_{3}\\ \eta_{1}(V_{1}) & \eta_{1}(V_{2}) & \eta_{1}(V_{3})\\ \eta_{2}(V_{1}) & \eta_{2}(V_{2}) & \eta_{2}(V_{3})\end{vmatrix}$$
(29)

From Equations 9, 12, 13, 18, 28, and 29,

$$V_4 = \frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{2}}(\xi_1 - \xi_2)$$

is obtained. □

**Example 4.5.** Let  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, the curve  $\gamma: I \to \mathbb{R}^{2+2}(-6)$  defined by

$$\gamma(t) = \left(2 \ln \left| \sqrt{1 + t^2} + t \right|, 2\sqrt{1 + t^2}, 4t + c_1, 4t + c_2\right)$$

is a unit speed Legendre curve. The tangent vector field of  $\gamma$  in terms of basis  $\{e, \phi e, \xi_1, \xi_2\}$  is

$$V_1 = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}e + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\phi e$$

From Equation 26,

$$\begin{split} \nabla_{V_1} e &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} (\xi_1 + \xi_2) \\ \nabla_{V_1} \phi e &= \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} (\xi_1 + \xi_2) \\ \nabla_{V_1} \xi_i &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} (e - t\phi e), \quad i \in \{1,2\} \\ \nabla_{V_1} V_1 &= \frac{1}{(1+t^2)^{3/2}} e - \frac{t}{(1+t^2)^{3/2}} \phi e \end{split}$$

and

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{1+t^2}$$

then

$$V_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}e - \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}\phi$$
 and  $\phi V_1 = -V_2$ 

Thus,

$$\nabla_{V_1} V_2 = -\frac{t}{(1+t^2)^{3/2}} e - \frac{1}{(1+t^2)^{3/2}} \phi e - (\xi_1 + \xi_2)$$

and

$$\nabla_{V_1} V_2 = -k_1 V_1 + k_2 V_3$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$k_2 = \sqrt{2}$$
 and  $V_3 = -\frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2}{\sqrt{2}}$ 

Since  $\nabla_{V_1} V_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} (e + t\phi e)$  and  $\nabla_{V_1} V_3 = -k_2 V_2 + k_3 V_4$ , we obtain  $k_3 = 0$ . From Equation 28,

$$V_4 = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{e}{1} & \phi e & \xi_1 & \xi_2 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} & -\frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\xi_2 - \xi_1)$$

is obtained. □

**Theorem 4.6.** Let  $M = (M^{2+3}, \phi, \xi_i, \eta_j, g)$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , be an *S*-manifold and  $\gamma: I \to M^{2+3}$  be a Legendre curve of osculating order 5.  $\gamma$  is imbedded in the 3-dimensional *K*-contact space.

Proof.

Let

$$U_1 = \cos \theta \, V_4 - \sin \theta \, V_5$$

$$U_2 = \sin \theta \, V_4 + \cos \theta \, V_5$$
(30)

such that

$$\theta(s) = \int k_4 ds \tag{31}$$

From Equations 30 and 31,

$$\nabla_{V_1} U_1 = 0$$

and

$$\nabla_{V_1} U_2 = 0$$

Therefore,  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are constant. From Equation 30,  $\{V_1, V_2, V_3, U_1, U_2\}$  is an orthonormal basis. For the functions

$$f_i: I \to \mathbb{R}$$
  
$$s \to f_i(s) = \langle \gamma(s) - \gamma(0), U_i \rangle$$

such that  $i \in \{1,2\}$  from Equations 30 and 31, we get, for all  $s \in I$ ,

$$f_i'(s) = \langle V_1, U_i \rangle = 0$$

$$f_i(s) = c \in \mathbb{R}$$

and

$$f_i(0) = \langle \gamma(0) - \gamma(0), U_i \rangle = c = 0$$

Hence, for all  $s \in I$ ,

$$f_i(s) = 0, i \in \{1,2\}$$

Then, 
$$\gamma(s) - \gamma(0) \in \operatorname{Sp}\{V_1, V_2, V_3\}$$
. Let  $\omega = \{X \in \chi(M) : g(X, U_1) = 0 \land g(X, U_2) = 0\}$ . Since

$$\omega = \operatorname{Sp}\{V_1, V_2, V_3\}$$
 and  $\gamma(s) - \gamma(0) \in \omega$ 

For the function

$$\pi: \chi(M) \to \omega$$

$$X \to \pi(X) = \bar{X} + \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3}{3} \xi$$

such that  $\bar{X} \in D = \{X \in \chi(M) : \eta_i(X) = 0, \forall i \in \{1,2,3\}\}, X = \bar{X} + \lambda_1 \xi_1 + \lambda_2 \xi_2 + \lambda_3 \xi_3, \text{ and } \xi = \frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \xi_3}{3}, \text{ if we get } \eta = \eta_1 + \eta_2 + \eta_3, \tilde{\phi} = \phi, \text{ and } \tilde{g} = 3g, \text{ then } (w^3, \tilde{\phi}, \xi, \eta, \tilde{g}) \text{ is a } K\text{-contact space. Since } \tilde{g} = 3g, \text{ then } \tilde{\Gamma}_{ij}^k = \Gamma_{ij}^k \text{ and } \tilde{\nabla} = \nabla. \text{ Because } d\eta = d\eta_1 + d\eta_2 + d\eta_3 = 3d\eta_1 = 3\Phi = 3g = \tilde{g}, \text{ then } \tilde{\Phi} = d\eta. \text{ Moreover,}$ 

$$\widetilde{\nabla}_{\pi X} \xi = \nabla_{\pi X} \left( \frac{\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \xi_3}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{3} (\nabla_{\pi X} \xi_1 + \nabla_{\pi X} \xi_2 + \nabla_{\pi X} \xi_3) = \frac{-3}{3} \phi(\pi X) = -\phi(\pi X) = -\widetilde{\phi}(\pi X)$$

As

$$\eta(V_1) = (\eta_1 + \eta_2 + \eta_3)(V_1) = \eta_1(V_1) + \eta_2(V_1) + \eta_3(V_1) = 0$$

The curve  $\gamma$  is also a Legendre curve at  $\omega$ .  $\square$ 

#### 5. Conclusion

This study generalized the cross product defined in 3-dimensional almost contact metric manifolds and defined a new generalized cross product in (2n + s)-dimensional framed metric manifolds such that n = 1. Moreover, it characterized the curvatures of Legendre curves in S-manifolds. Moreover, this study proved that Legendre curves are biharmonic. Besides, it demonstrated that (2 + 3)-dimensional S-manifolds are imbedded in 3-dimensional space. In future studies, researchers can investigate Slant curves in S-manifolds using the generalized cross product herein.

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