

TENSOR PRODUCT IMMERSIONS WITH TOTALLY REDUCIBLE FOCAL SET

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ABSTRACT

In [1], Carter and the author introduced the idea of an immersion $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ with *totally reducible focal set* (TRFS). Such an immersion has the property that, for all $p \in M$, the focal set with base p is a union of hyperplanes in the normal plane to $f(M)$ at $f(p)$. In this study we show that if $f : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ and $g : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ are two isometric immersions then the tensor product immersions $f \otimes f$ and $f \otimes g$ have TRFS property.

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ÖZET

[1] de Carter ve yazar, $f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ tamamen indirgenebilen focal cümleye (TRFS) sahip immersiyanı tanımladı. Bu immersiyanın, her $p \in M$ için, p ye bağlı focal cümle, $f(p)$ de $f(M)$ ye normal düzlemdeki hiperyüzeylerin bir birleşimidir. Bu çalışmada, eğer $f : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ve $g : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ iki izometrik immersiyan ise $f \otimes f$ ve $f \otimes g$ tensor çarpım immersiyanlarında TRFS şartını sağladıkları gösterildi.

Anahtar Kelimeler: İmmersiyanlar, Focal Cümle, Tamamen indirgenebilen focal cümle, Tensor çarpım immersiyanı

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $f : M \rightarrow R^n$ be a smooth immersion of connected smooth m -dimensional manifold without boundary into Euclidean n -space. For each $p \in M$, the focal set of f with base p is an algebraic variety. In this study we consider immersions for which this variety is a union of hyperplanes.

For $p \in M$, let U be a neighborhood of p in M such that $f|_U : U \rightarrow R^n$ is an embedding. Let $v_f(p)$ denote the $(n-m)$ -plane which is normal to $f(U)$ at $f(p)$. Then the total space of normal bundle is $N_f = \{(p, x) \in M \times R^n \mid x \in v_f(p)\}$. The projection map $\eta_f : N_f \rightarrow R^n$ is defined by $\eta_f(p, x) = x$ and the set of focal points with base p is $\Gamma_f(p) = \{p \in R^n \mid (p, x) \text{ is a singularity of } \eta_f\}$. The focal set of f which denoted by $\Gamma_f = \bigcup_{p \in M} \Gamma_f(p)$ is the image by η_f . For each $p \in M$, $\Gamma_f(p)$ is a real algebraic variety in $v_f(p)$ which can be defined as the zeros of polynomial on $v_f(p)$ of degree $\leq m$. The focal point of f has weight (multiplicity) k if $rank(Jac \eta_f) = n - k$ [3].

Definition 1. The immersion $f : M \rightarrow R^n$ has totally reducible focal set (TRFS) property if for all $p \in M$, $\Gamma_f(p)$ can be defined as the zeros of real polynomial which is a product of real linear factors [1].

Thus each irreducible component of $\Gamma_f(p)$ is an affine in $v_f(p)$, and $\Gamma_f(p)$ is a union of $(n - m - 1)$ -planes (possible $\Gamma_f(p) = \Phi$). There are other ways of describing this property. It is shown in ([5], [7], and [8]) that f has TRFS property if and only if f has flat normal bundle, where M is thought of as a Riemannian manifold with metric g induced from R^n . We will give explicit ways of constructing immersions with TRFS property.

In calculating focal sets it is often easiest to work with distance functions. For $x \in R^n$ the distance function $L_x : M \rightarrow R$ is defined by $L_x(p) = \|x - f(p)\|^2$. Then $x \in R^n$ is a focal point of f with base p if and only if p is a degenerate critical point of L_x , where at p , $\frac{\partial L_x}{\partial p_i} = 0$ and $\left[\frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial p_i \partial p_j} \right]$ is singular for $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, ([6]).

In this study it has been shown that if $f : S^1 \rightarrow R^2$ and $g : S^1 \rightarrow R^3$ are two isometric immersions then the tensor product immersions $f \otimes f$ and $f \otimes g$ have TRFS property.

2. TENSOR PRODUCT IMMERSIONS

Let us recall definitions and results of [2]. Let M and N be two differentiable manifolds and $f : M \rightarrow R^n$, $g : N \rightarrow R^d$ two immersions. The direct sum and tensor product maps

$$f \oplus g : M \times N \rightarrow R^{n+d},$$

$$f \otimes g : M \times N \rightarrow R^{nd}$$

are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}(f \oplus g)(p, q) &= (f(p), g(p)), \\ (f \otimes g)(p, q) &= f(p) \otimes g(p).\end{aligned}$$

The necessary and sufficient conditions for $f \otimes g$ to be an immersion were obtained in [3]. It is also proved there that the pairing (\oplus, \otimes) determines a structure of a semiring on the set of classes of differentiable manifolds transversally immersed in Euclidean spaces, modulo orthogonal transformations. Some subsemirings were studied in [4].

If $n = m + 1$, $G_f(p)$ consists of a finite number of points so, trivially, any immersion $f : M^m \rightarrow R^{m+1}$ has TRFS property. Thus especially an immersion $f : S^1 \rightarrow R^2$ has TRFS property. Also every immersions $f : S^1 \rightarrow R^n$, $n \geq 3$, has TRFS property [1].

The following results are well known.

Theorem 1. [1] Let $f : M \rightarrow R^n$ and $g : N \rightarrow R^d$ be immersions with TRFS property. Then $f \times g : M \times N \rightarrow R^{n+d}$ defined by $(f \times g)(p, q) = (f(p), g(p))$ has TRFS property.

Theorem 2. [1] If $f : M \rightarrow R^n$ has TRFS property and $g : M \rightarrow R^{n+k}$ is defined by $g(p) = (f(p), t) \in R^n \times R^k$. Then g has TRFS property.

We prove the following results.

Theorem 3. If $f : S^1 \rightarrow R^2$ is an isometric immersion then the tensor product immersion $f \otimes f : S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow R^4$ has TRFS property.

Proof. The tensor product immersion $h = f \otimes f : S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow R^4$ is defined by

$$h(\theta, \varphi) = (f \otimes f)(\theta, \varphi) = (\cos \theta \cos \varphi, \cos \theta \sin \varphi, \sin \theta \cos \varphi, \sin \theta \sin \varphi),$$

$(\theta, \varphi \in R \text{ mod } 2\pi)$. Let $x \in R^4$ and $L_x(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{i=1}^4 (x_i - h_i(\theta, \varphi))^2$. Then

$$\frac{\partial L_x}{\partial \theta} = x_1 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_2 \sin \theta \sin \varphi - x_3 \cos \theta \cos \varphi - x_4 \cos \theta \sin \varphi = 0, \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial L_x}{\partial \varphi} = x_1 \cos \theta \sin \varphi - x_2 \cos \theta \cos \varphi + x_3 \sin \theta \sin \varphi - x_4 \sin \theta \cos \varphi = 0, \quad (2)$$

and

$$A = \frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial \varphi^2} = x_1 \cos \theta \cos \varphi + x_2 \cos \theta \sin \varphi + x_3 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_4 \sin \theta \sin \varphi,$$

$$B = \frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial \theta \partial \varphi} = -x_1 \sin \theta \sin \varphi + x_2 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_3 \cos \theta \sin \varphi - x_4 \cos \theta \cos \varphi,$$

and

$$\det H = A^2 - B^2 = 0. \quad (3)$$

Thus $A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B) = 0$

If $A - B = 0$ then

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 (\cos \theta \cos \varphi + \sin \theta \sin \varphi) + x_2 (\cos \theta \sin \varphi - \sin \theta \cos \varphi) \\ + x_3 (\sin \theta \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi) + x_4 (\sin \theta \sin \varphi + \cos \theta \cos \varphi) = 0.\end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

If $A + B = 0$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & x_1 (\cos \theta \cos \varphi - \sin \theta \sin \varphi) + x_2 (\cos \theta \sin \varphi + \sin \theta \cos \varphi) \\ & + x_3 (\sin \theta \cos \varphi + \cos \theta \sin \varphi) + x_4 (\sin \theta \sin \varphi - \cos \theta \cos \varphi) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Therefore using (1), (2) and (4) we get

$$\Gamma_h^1(\theta, \varphi) = \left\{ (x_1 = \lambda x_4, x_2 = -\lambda x_4, x_3 = x_4, x_4) \mid \lambda = \frac{(\tan \theta \tan \varphi - 1)}{\tan \theta + \tan \varphi}, \tan \theta \neq -\tan \varphi \right\} \quad (6)$$

and using (1), (2) and (5) we get

$$\Gamma_h^2(\theta, \varphi) = \left\{ (x_1 = -\mu x_4, x_2 = \mu x_4, x_3 = -x_4, x_4) \mid \mu = \frac{(\tan \theta \tan \varphi - 1)}{\tan \theta - \tan \varphi}, \tan \theta \neq \tan \varphi \right\} \quad (7)$$

Thus from (6) and (7) we get

$$\Gamma_h = \Gamma_h^1(\theta, \varphi) \cup \Gamma_h^2(\theta, \varphi).$$

So h has TRFS property.

Remark. If $f: S^1 \rightarrow R^2$ then, by Theorem 1, $f \times f: S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow R^4$ has TRFS property. But in this case $\Gamma_{f \times f} = \{(0, 0, a, b) \mid a, b \in R\} \cup \{(c, d, 0, 0) \mid c, d \in R\}$.

Theorem 4. If $f: S^1 \rightarrow R^2$ and $g: S^1 \rightarrow R^3$ are two isometric immersions then the tensor product immersion $f \otimes g: S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow R^6$ has TRFS property.

Proof. Let $f: S^1 \rightarrow R^2$ and $g: S^1 \rightarrow R^3$ be defined by $f(q) = (\cos q, \sin q)$ and $g(j) = (\cos j, \sin j, k)$, $k \in R$, respectively. The tensor product immersion $h = f \otimes g: S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow R^6$ is defined by

$$h(\theta, \varphi) = (f \otimes g)(\theta, \varphi) = (\cos \theta \cos \varphi, \cos \theta \sin \varphi, \sin \theta \cos \varphi, \sin \theta \sin \varphi, k \cos \varphi, k \sin \varphi),$$

$(\theta, \varphi \in R \text{ mod } 2\pi)$. Let $x \in R^6$ and $L_x(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (x_i - h_i(\theta, \varphi))^2$. Then

$$\frac{\partial L_x}{\partial \theta} = x_1 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_2 \sin \theta \sin \varphi - x_3 \cos \theta \cos \varphi - x_4 \cos \theta \sin \varphi = 0, \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{\partial L_x}{\partial \varphi} = x_1 \cos \theta \sin \varphi - x_2 \cos \theta \cos \varphi + x_3 \sin \theta \sin \varphi - x_4 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_5 k \sin \varphi - x_6 k \cos \varphi = 0, \quad (9)$$

and

$$A_{11} = \frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial \theta^2} = x_1 \cos \theta \cos \varphi + x_2 \cos \theta \sin \varphi + x_3 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_4 \sin \theta \sin \varphi,$$

$$A_{12} = \frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial \theta \partial \varphi} = -x_1 \sin \theta \sin \varphi + x_2 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_3 \cos \theta \sin \varphi - x_4 \cos \theta \cos \varphi,$$

$$A_{22} = \frac{\partial^2 L_x}{\partial \varphi^2} = x_1 \cos \theta \cos \varphi + x_2 \cos \theta \sin \varphi + x_3 \sin \theta \cos \varphi + x_4 \sin \theta \sin \varphi + x_5 k \cos \varphi + x_6 k \sin \varphi,$$

$$\text{and } \det H = \det(A_{ij}) = 0. \quad (10)$$

From (8), (9) and (10) we get either

$$\Gamma_h^1(\theta, \varphi) = \left\{ \left(x_1 = -\mu x_2, x_2 = x_2, x_3 = -\lambda \mu x_2, x_4 = \lambda x_2, x_5 = x_5, x_6 = \mu x_5 - \left(\frac{1+\mu}{k \cos \theta} \right) x_2 \right) \mid \lambda = \tan \theta, \mu = \tan \varphi, \cos \theta \neq 0, \cos \varphi \neq 0 \right\},$$

or

$$\Gamma_h^2(\theta, \varphi) = \left\{ (x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0, x_4 = x_4, x_5 = x_5, x_6 = -\frac{x_4}{k}) \mid \theta = \mp \frac{\pi}{2}, \varphi = 0 \right\},$$

or

$$\Gamma_h^3(\theta, \varphi) = \left\{ \left(x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = x_3, x_4 = x_4, x_5 = \frac{x_3}{k}, x_6 = \frac{x_4}{k} \right) \mid \theta = \mp \frac{\pi}{2}, \varphi \in \mathbb{R} \bmod 2\pi \right\}.$$

Therefore, $\Gamma_h = \Gamma_h^1(\theta, \varphi) \cup \Gamma_h^2(\theta, \varphi) \cup \Gamma_h^3(\theta, \varphi)$. So h has TRFS property.

Remark. If $f : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ and $g : S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ then, by Theorem 1, $f \times g : S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^5$ has TRFS property and using Theorem 2, $k : S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$ also has TRFS property. But in this case focal set of k is different then above result.

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