

**CONSTRUCTION OF \mathcal{B} -FOCAL CURVES OF SPACELIKE
 BIHARMONIC \mathcal{B} -SLANT HELICES ACCORDING TO
 BISHOP FRAME IN $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we find parametric equations of \mathcal{B} -focal curves of spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helices according to Bishop frame in terms of Bishop curvatures in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$.

1. Introduction

A smooth map $\phi : N \rightarrow M$ is said to be biharmonic if it is a critical point of the bienergy functional:

$$E_2(\phi) = \int_N \frac{1}{2} |\mathcal{T}(\phi)|^2 dv_h,$$

where $\mathcal{T}(\phi) := \text{tr} \nabla^\phi d\phi$ is the tension field of ϕ

The Euler–Lagrange equation of the bienergy [1–5] is given by $\mathcal{T}_2(\phi) = 0$. Here the section $\mathcal{T}_2(\phi)$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{T}_2(\phi) = -\Delta_\phi \mathcal{T}(\phi) + \text{tr} R(\mathcal{T}(\phi), d\phi) d\phi, \quad (1.1)$$

and called the bitension field of ϕ . Non-harmonic biharmonic maps are called proper biharmonic maps.

This study is organised as follows: First, we study \mathcal{B} -focal curves of spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helices. Finally, we find parametric equations of \mathcal{B} -focal curves of spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helices according to Bishop frame in terms of Bishop curvatures in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$.

2. Preliminaries

Let $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ be the group of rigid motions of Euclidean 2-space. This consists of all matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cosh x & \sinh x & y \\ \sinh x & \cosh x & z \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Topologically, $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ is diffeomorphic to \mathbb{R}^3 under the map

$$\mathbb{E}(1, 1) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{pmatrix} \cosh x & \sinh x & y \\ \sinh x & \cosh x & z \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow (x, y, z).$$

It's Lie algebra has a basis consisting of

$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \mathbf{X}_2 = \cosh x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \sinh x \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \mathbf{X}_3 = \sinh x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \cosh x \frac{\partial}{\partial z},$$

for which

$$[\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2] = \mathbf{X}_3, [\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3] = 0, [\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_3] = \mathbf{X}_2.$$

Put

$$x^1 = x, x^2 = \frac{1}{2}(y + z), x^3 = \frac{1}{2}(y - z).$$

Then, we get

$$\mathbf{X}_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \mathbf{X}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{x^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} + e^{-x^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \right), \mathbf{X}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left(e^{x^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - e^{-x^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \right). \quad (2.1)$$

The bracket relations are

$$[\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2] = \mathbf{X}_3, [\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3] = 0, [\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_3] = \mathbf{X}_2.$$

We consider left-invariant Lorentzian metrics which has a pseudo-orthonormal basis $\{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_3\}$. We consider left-invariant Lorentzian metric [6], given by

$$g = -(dx^1)^2 + \left(e^{-x^1} dx^2 + e^{x^1} dx^3 \right)^2 + \left(e^{-x^1} dx^2 - e^{x^1} dx^3 \right)^2, \quad (2.2)$$

where

$$g(\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_1) = -1, g(\mathbf{X}_2, \mathbf{X}_2) = g(\mathbf{X}_3, \mathbf{X}_3) = 1.$$

Let coframe of our frame be defined by

$$\theta^1 = dx^1, \theta^2 = e^{-x^1} dx^2 + e^{x^1} dx^3, \theta^3 = e^{-x^1} dx^2 - e^{x^1} dx^3.$$

3. Spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helices in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$

Let $\gamma : I \longrightarrow \mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ be a non geodesic spacelike curve on the $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ parametrized by arc length. Let $\{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{B}\}$ be the Frenet frame fields tangent to the $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ along γ defined as follows:

\mathbf{T} is the unit vector field γ' tangent to γ , \mathbf{N} is the unit vector field in the direction of $\nabla_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}$ (normal to γ), and \mathbf{B} is chosen so that $\{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{B}\}$ is a positively oriented orthonormal basis. Then, we have the following Frenet formulas [7]:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T} &= \kappa\mathbf{N}, \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{N} &= \kappa\mathbf{T} + \tau\mathbf{B}, \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{B} &= \tau\mathbf{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where κ is the curvature of γ and τ is its torsion and

$$\begin{aligned} g(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{T}) &= 1, \quad g(\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{N}) = -1, \quad g(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}) = 1, \\ g(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{N}) &= g(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{B}) = g(\mathbf{N}, \mathbf{B}) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The Bishop frame or parallel transport frame is an alternative approach to defining a moving frame that is well defined even when the curve has vanishing second derivative. The Bishop frame is expressed as [8–14]:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{T} &= k_1 \mathbf{M}_1 - k_2 \mathbf{M}_2, \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{M}_1 &= k_1 \mathbf{T}, \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{M}_2 &= k_2 \mathbf{T}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} g(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{T}) &= 1, \quad g(\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_1) = -1, \quad g(\mathbf{M}_2, \mathbf{M}_2) = 1, \\ g(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{M}_1) &= g(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{M}_2) = g(\mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_2) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here, we shall call the set $\{\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{M}_1, \mathbf{M}_2\}$ as Bishop trihedra, k_1 and k_2 as Bishop curvatures and $\tau(s) = \psi'(s)$, $\kappa(s) = \sqrt{|k_2^2 - k_1^2|}$. Thus, Bishop curvatures are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= \kappa(s) \sinh \psi(s), \\ k_2 &= \kappa(s) \cosh \psi(s). \end{aligned}$$

With respect to the orthonormal basis $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T} &= T^1 \mathbf{e}_1 + T^2 \mathbf{e}_2 + T^3 \mathbf{e}_3, \\ \mathbf{M}_1 &= M_1^1 \mathbf{e}_1 + M_1^2 \mathbf{e}_2 + M_1^3 \mathbf{e}_3, \\ \mathbf{M}_2 &= M_2^1 \mathbf{e}_1 + M_2^2 \mathbf{e}_2 + M_2^3 \mathbf{e}_3. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

Definition 3.2. (see Ref. [3]) *A regular spacelike curve $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ is called a \mathcal{B} -slant helix provided the timelike unit vector \mathbf{M}_1 of the curve γ has constant angle θ with some fixed timelike unit vector u , that is*

$$g(\mathbf{M}_1(s), u) = \cosh \wp \text{ for all } s \in I. \tag{3.4}$$

Lemma 3.3. (see Ref. [3]) *Let $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ be a unit speed spacelike curve with non-zero natural curvatures. Then γ is a \mathcal{B} -slant helix if and only if*

$$\frac{k_1}{k_2} = \tanh \wp. \tag{3.5}$$

4. \mathcal{B} -focal curves of spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helices in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$

Denoting the focal curve by focal_γ , we can write

$$\text{focal}_\gamma(s) = (\gamma + \mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}} \mathbf{M}_1 + \mathfrak{f}_2^{\mathcal{B}} \mathbf{M}_2)(s), \tag{4.1}$$

where the coefficients $\mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}}, \mathfrak{f}_2^{\mathcal{B}}$ are smooth functions of the parameter of the curve γ , called the first and second focal curvatures of γ , respectively.

To separate a focal curve according to Bishop frame from that of Frenet- Serret frame, in the rest of the paper, we shall use notation for the focal curve defined above as \mathcal{B} -focal curve.

Theorem 4.1. *Let $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ is a non geodesic spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helix with timelike \mathbf{M}_1 and focal_γ its focal curve in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$. Then, the vector equation of $\text{focal}_\gamma^{\mathcal{B}}(s)$ is*

$$\begin{aligned} & (-\sinh \varphi s + a_1 + \mathfrak{p} \cosh \varphi) \mathbf{X}_1 + [-\mathcal{A}e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \\ & + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_2 e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1} \\ & - \mathcal{A}e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \\ & + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_3 e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1} + \mathfrak{p} \sinh \varphi \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\ & + \frac{1 + \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2} \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \mathbf{X}_2 + [-\mathcal{A}e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \\ & + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_2 e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1} \\ & + \mathcal{A}e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \\ & + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_3 e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1} + \mathfrak{p} \sinh \varphi \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\ & + \frac{-1 - \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2} \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \mathbf{X}_3, \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

where $a_1, \mathfrak{p}, \mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ are constants of integration and

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{\cosh \varphi}{2 (\mathcal{A}_1^2 + \sinh^2 \varphi)}.$$

Proof. Assume that γ is a unit speed spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helix with timelike \mathbf{M}_1 and focal_γ its focal curve in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$.

So, by differentiating of the formula (2.1), we get

$$\text{focal}_\gamma^{\mathcal{B}}(s)' = (1 + \mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}} k_1 + \mathfrak{f}_2^{\mathcal{B}} k_2) \mathbf{T} + (\mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}})' \mathbf{M}_1 + (\mathfrak{f}_2^{\mathcal{B}})' \mathbf{M}_2. \tag{4.3}$$

On the other hand, from Definition 3.2, we obtain

$$\mathbf{M}_1 = \cosh \varphi \mathbf{X}_1 + \sinh \varphi \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \mathbf{X}_2 + \sinh \varphi \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \mathbf{X}_3. \tag{4.4}$$

Using (2.1) in (4.4), we may be written as

$$\mathbf{M}_2 = -\sin [D_1 s + D_2] \mathbf{X}_2 + \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \mathbf{X}_3. \tag{4.5}$$

Furthermore, from above equations we get

$$\mathbf{T} = -\sinh \varphi \mathbf{X}_1 - \cosh \varphi \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \mathbf{X}_2 - \cosh \varphi \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \mathbf{X}_3. \tag{4.6}$$

On the other hand, the first 2 components of Eq.(4.3) vanish, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}} k_1 + \mathfrak{f}_2^{\mathcal{B}} k_2 &= -1, \\ (\mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}})' &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Considering second equation above system, we chose

$$\mathfrak{f}_1^{\mathcal{B}} = \mathfrak{p} = \text{constant} \neq 0. \tag{4.7}$$

Then, it holds that

$$f_2^{\mathcal{B}} = \frac{-1 - \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2}. \quad (4.8)$$

By means of obtained equations, we express

$$\mathfrak{F}_\gamma^{\mathcal{B}}(s) = (\gamma + \mathfrak{p}M_1 + \frac{-1 - \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2}M_2)(s), \quad (4.9)$$

where \mathfrak{p} is a constant.

Considering equations (4.5) and (4.6) by the (4.9), we get (4.2). This completes the proof.

Corollary 4.2. *Let $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ is a non geodesic spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helix with timelike M_1 and \mathfrak{focal}_γ its focal curve in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$. Then, the focal curvatures of \mathfrak{focal}_γ are*

$$f_2^{\mathcal{B}} = \frac{-1 - f_1^{\mathcal{B}}k_2 \tanh \varphi}{k_2} = \text{constant} \neq 0. \quad (4.10)$$

Proof. Suppose that γ is a non geodesic spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helix with time-like M_1 and \mathfrak{focal}_γ its focal curve. From (3.5) and (4.8) the focal curvature of \mathfrak{focal}_γ takes the form (4.10). This completes the proof.

Then, we give the following theorem.

Theorem 4.3. *Let $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(1, 1)$ is a non geodesic spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helix with timelike M_1 and \mathfrak{focal}_γ its focal curve in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions $\mathbb{E}(1, 1)$. Then, the vector equation of $\mathfrak{focal}_\gamma^{\mathcal{B}}(s)$ is*

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\mathfrak{f}}^1(s) &= -\sinh \varphi s + a_1 + \mathfrak{p} \cosh \varphi, \\ x_{\mathfrak{f}}^2(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \exp[-\sinh \varphi s + a_1 + \mathfrak{p} \cosh \varphi] \\ &\quad [-\mathcal{A}e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\ &\quad + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_2 e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1} \\ &\quad - \mathcal{A}e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\ &\quad + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_3 e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1} \\ &\quad + \mathfrak{p} \sinh \varphi \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] + \frac{1 + \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2} \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \exp[\sinh \varphi s - a_1 - \mathfrak{p} \cosh \varphi] [-\mathcal{A}e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \\ &\quad \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_2 e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1} \\ &\quad + \mathcal{A}e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\ &\quad + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_3 e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1} \\ &\quad + \mathfrak{p} \sinh \varphi \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] + \frac{-1 - \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2} \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]], \end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_f^3(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \exp[-\sinh \varphi s + a_1 + \mathfrak{p} \cosh \varphi] \\
&\quad [-\mathcal{A}e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\
&\quad + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_2 e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1} \\
&\quad - \mathcal{A}e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\
&\quad + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_3 e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1} \\
&\quad + \mathfrak{p} \sinh \varphi \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] + \frac{1 + \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2} \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \exp[\sinh \varphi s - a_1 - \mathfrak{p} \cosh \varphi] [-\mathcal{A}e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \\
&\quad \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_2 e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1} \\
&\quad + \mathcal{A}e^{\sinh \varphi s - a_1}[(\sinh \varphi - \mathcal{A}_1) \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] \\
&\quad + (\sinh \varphi + \mathcal{A}_1) \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]] + a_3 e^{-\sinh \varphi s + a_1} \\
&\quad + \mathfrak{p} \sinh \varphi \sin [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2] + \frac{-1 - \mathfrak{p}k_1}{k_2} \cos [\mathcal{A}_1 s + \mathcal{A}_2]],
\end{aligned}$$

where $\mathfrak{p}, \mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2$ are constants of integration and

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{\cosh \varphi}{2(\mathcal{A}_1^2 + \sinh^2 \varphi)}.$$

Proof. Assume that γ is a non geodesic spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helix and its focal curve is focal_γ . Substituting (2.1) to (4.2), we have (4.11) as desired. This concludes the proof of theorem.

5. Conclusions

Consider a curve in a space and suppose that the curve is sufficiently smooth so that the Bishop Frame adapted to it is defined; the curvatures k_1 and k_2 then provide a complete characterization of the curve. In this paper we have found parametric equations of \mathcal{B} -focal curves of spacelike biharmonic \mathcal{B} -slant helices according to Bishop frame in terms of Bishop curvatures in the Lorentzian group of rigid motions.

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