

## THE COMPLETE CLASSIFICATION OF QUARTER-SYMMETRIC MAGNETIC CURVES IN S-MANIFOLDS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we consider  $S$ -manifolds endowed with a quarter-symmetric metric connection. We obtain the condition for a curve to be magnetic with respect to this connection. We show that quarter-symmetric magnetic curves are  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant curves of osculating order  $r \leq 3$  with constant quarter-symmetric curvature functions. Finally, we give the classification theorem.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $(M, g)$  be a  $(2n + s)$ -dimensional Riemann manifold.  $M$  is called *framed metric  $\varphi$ -manifold* [21] with a *framed metric structure*  $(\varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$ ,  $\alpha \in \{1, \dots, s\}$ , if this structure satisfies the following equations:

$$\varphi^2 = -I + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta^\alpha \otimes \xi_\alpha, \quad \eta^\alpha(\xi_\beta) = \delta_\beta^\alpha,$$

$$\varphi(\xi_\alpha) = 0, \quad \eta^\alpha \circ \varphi = 0,$$

$$g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) = g(X, Y) - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta^\alpha(X)\eta^\alpha(Y),$$

$$d\eta^\alpha(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y) = -d\eta^\alpha(Y, X), \quad \eta^\alpha(X) = g(X, \xi_\alpha),$$

where,  $\varphi$  is a  $(1, 1)$  tensor field of rank  $2n$ ;  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_s$  are vector fields;  $\eta^1, \dots, \eta^s$  are 1-forms and  $g$  is a Riemannian metric on  $M$ ;  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \{1, \dots, s\}$ .

$(\varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  is said to be an  $S$ -structure, if the Nijenhuis tensor of  $\varphi$  is equal to  $-2d\eta^\alpha \otimes \xi_\alpha$ , where  $\alpha \in \{1, \dots, s\}$  [2]. In this case,  $(M, \varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  is called an  $S$ -manifold. When  $s = 1$ , a framed metric structure turns into an almost

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contact metric structure and an  $S$ -structure turns into a Sasakian structure. For an  $S$ -structure, the following equations are satisfied [2], [5]:

$$(1) \quad (\nabla_X \varphi)(Y) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \{g(\varphi X, \varphi Y) \xi_\alpha + \eta^\alpha(Y) \varphi^2 X\},$$

$$(2) \quad \nabla_X \xi_\alpha = -\varphi X, \quad \alpha \in \{1, \dots, s\}.$$

If  $M$  is Sasakian ( $s = 1$ ), (2) can be directly calculated from (1). Note that the term "S-manifold" has been used by A. J. Ledger and others as a generalisation of E. Cartan's symmetric spaces, e.g. [15], [16] and [19].

Now, let us consider an  $S$ -manifold endowed with a quarter-symmetric metric connection and obtain a condition (conditions) under which a curve is magnetic with respect to this connection in the sense of Ozgur and Guvenc (the present author).

**Definition 1.1.** A pseudo-Hermitian magnetic curve in a Sasakian manifold is a curve satisfying one of the following equations:

- Ozgur and Guvenc's sense: [12]

$$\widehat{\nabla}_T T = (-q + 2 \cos \theta) \varphi T,$$

- Lee's sense: [17]

$$\widehat{\nabla}_T T = -q \varphi T,$$

where  $\widehat{\nabla}$  is the Tanaka-Webster connection,  $q$  is non-zero constant,  $\theta$  is the contact angle of the curve and  $T$  is the unit tangent vector field along the curve. Here, the minus sign ( $-$ ) is for orientation purposes.

It is a straightforward motivation to replace another metric connection and study in the same direction of the above papers. For this achievement, we will choose the following quarter-symmetric metric connection in an  $S$ -manifold: [9]

$$(3) \quad \overline{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta_\alpha(X) \varphi Y,$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection and  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$ .

### 1.1. Magnetic curves.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold,  $F$  a closed 2-form and let us denote the Lorentz force on  $M$  by  $\Phi$ , which is a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor field. If  $F$  is associated by the relation

$$g(\Phi X, Y) = F(X, Y), \quad \forall X, Y \in \chi(M),$$

then it is called a *magnetic field* ([1], [4] and [6]).

Let  $\nabla$  be the Riemannian connection associated to the Riemannian metric  $g$  and  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  a smooth curve. If  $\gamma$  satisfies the Lorentz equation

$$(4) \quad \nabla_{\gamma'(t)}\gamma'(t) = \Phi(\gamma'(t)),$$

then it is called a *magnetic curve* or a *trajectory* for the magnetic field  $F$ .

The Lorentz equation is a generalization of the equation for geodesics. A curve which satisfies the Lorentz equation is called *magnetic trajectory*. Magnetic trajectories have constant speed. If the speed of the magnetic curve  $\gamma$  is equal to 1, then it is called a *normal magnetic curve* [7]. For extensive information about almost contact metric manifolds and Sasakian manifolds, we refer to Blair's book [3].

## 1.2. Quarter-symmetric metric connection.

**Definition 1.3.** A linear connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  on an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is called a *quarter-symmetric connection* [8] if its torsion tensor  $T$  satisfies

$$T(X, Y) = \pi(Y)f(X) - \pi(X)f(Y),$$

where  $\pi$  is a 1-form and  $f$  is a (1,1)-type tensor field. If, moreover, the connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  satisfies

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X g)(Y, Z) = 0,$$

for all vector fields  $X, Y, Z \in \chi(M)$ , then it is called *quarter-symmetric metric connection*.

Let  $(M^{2n+s}, \varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  be an  $S$ -manifold. Let us take

$$\pi = - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta_\alpha, \quad f = \varphi.$$

Then, the affine metric connection defined by

$$(5) \quad \bar{\nabla}_X Y = \nabla_X Y + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta_\alpha(X) \varphi Y$$

becomes a quarter-symmetric metric connection [9]. Here,  $\nabla$  denotes the Levi-Civita connection. It is noteworthy that Vanlı also used another quarter-symmetric metric connection in her recent paper [20], where she chose  $\pi = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta_\alpha, f = \varphi$ . In our work, we use the connection given in (5), which will effect our equations only with a minus sign.

## 2. Quarter-symmetric Magnetic curves

### 2.1. Frenet curves.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(M^n, g)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional Riemannian manifold and  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  a curve parametrized by arc-length. If there exists  $g$ -orthonormal vector fields  $T = E_1, E_2, \dots, E_r$  along  $\gamma$  such that

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} T &= E_1 = \gamma', \\ \bar{\nabla}_T T &= \bar{k}_1 E_2, \\ \bar{\nabla}_T E_2 &= -\bar{k}_1 T + \bar{k}_2 E_3, \\ &\dots \\ \bar{\nabla}_T E_j &= -\bar{k}_{j-1} E_{j-1} + \bar{k}_j E_{j+1}, \quad (2 < j < r), \\ &\dots \\ \bar{\nabla}_T E_r &= -\bar{k}_{r-1} E_{r-1}, \end{aligned}$$

then  $\gamma$  is called a *Frenet curve for  $\bar{\nabla}$  of osculating order  $r$* , ( $1 \leq r \leq n$ ) [14]. Here  $\bar{k}_1, \dots, \bar{k}_{r-1}$  are called *quarter-symmetric curvature functions of  $\gamma$*  and these functions are positive valued on  $I$ .

- A *geodesic for  $\bar{\nabla}$*  (or *quarter-symmetric geodesic*) is a Frenet curve of osculating order 1 for  $\bar{\nabla}$ .
- If  $r = 2$  and  $\bar{k}_1$  is a constant, then  $\gamma$  is called a *quarter-symmetric circle*.
- A *quarter-symmetric helix of order  $r$* ,  $r \geq 3$ , is a Frenet curve for  $\bar{\nabla}$  of osculating order  $r$  with non-zero positive constant quarter-symmetric curvatures  $\bar{k}_1, \dots, \bar{k}_{r-1}$ .
- If we shortly state *quarter-symmetric helix*, we mean its osculating order is 3.

Let  $M = (M^{2n+s}, \varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  be an  $S$ -manifold endowed with the quarter-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . Let us denote the fundamental 2-form of  $M$  by  $\Omega$ . Then, we have

$$\Omega(X, Y) = g(X, \varphi Y),$$

(see [3]). In an  $S$ -manifold, since  $\Omega = d\eta^\alpha$  and  $d^2 = 0$  (famous Poincaré identity),  $\Omega$  is obviously closed. Thus, we can define a magnetic field  $F_q$  on  $M$  by

$$F_q(X, Y) = q\Omega(X, Y),$$

namely the *contact magnetic field with strength  $q$* , where  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$  and  $q \in \mathbb{R}$  [13]. We will assume that  $q \neq 0$  to avoid the absence of the strength of magnetic field (see [5] and [7]).

The Lorentz force  $\Phi$  associated to the magnetic field  $F_q$  can be written as

$$\Phi = -q\varphi.$$

So the Lorentz equation (4) is

$$(7) \quad \nabla_T T = -q\varphi T,$$

where  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  is a curve with arc-length parameter,  $T = \gamma'$  is the tangent vector field and  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection (see [7] and [13]). By the use of equations (3) and (7), we have

$$(8) \quad \bar{\nabla}_T T = \left[ -q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta_\alpha(T) \right] \varphi T.$$

Now, we can give the following definition:

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  be a unit-speed curve in an  $S$ -manifold  $M = (M^{2n+s}, \varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  endowed with the quarter-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$ . Then  $\gamma$  is called a *normal magnetic curve with respect to the quarter-symmetric metric connection  $\bar{\nabla}$*  (or shortly *quarter-symmetric magnetic curve*) if it satisfies equation (8).

In [9], it is shown that

$$(\bar{\nabla}_X \varphi)(Y) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \{g(\varphi X, \varphi Y)\xi_\alpha + \eta^\alpha(Y)\varphi^2 X\},$$

$$\bar{\nabla}_X \xi_\alpha = -\varphi X, \quad \alpha \in \{1, \dots, s\}.$$

If we apply these equations along the unit-speed curve, we have

$$(9) \quad \begin{aligned} (\bar{\nabla}_T \varphi)(T) &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \{g(\varphi T, \varphi T)\xi_\alpha + \eta^\alpha(T)\varphi^2 T\} \\ &= \left(1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \xi_\alpha\right) \\ &\quad + \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right) \left(-T + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\bar{\nabla}_T \xi_\alpha = -\varphi T, \quad \alpha \in \{1, \dots, s\}.$$

Here,  $\theta_\alpha = \theta_\alpha(t)$  denotes the angle functions between  $T$  and  $\xi_\alpha$ , that is,

$$\cos \theta_\alpha(t) = g(T, \xi_\alpha).$$

Notice that  $\gamma$  is called a  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant curve if all  $\theta_\alpha$  are constants [10]. It is called a slant curve if these constant angles have the same value [11]. Moreover, if this common value is  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  for all  $\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, s$ , then it is called a Legendre curve [18].

Now, we can give the following lemma:

**Lemma 2.3.** *A quarter-symmetric magnetic curve in an  $S$ -manifold is a  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant curve.*

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  be a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve. Then, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}g(T, \xi_\alpha) &= g(\bar{\nabla}_T T, \xi_\alpha) + g(T, \bar{\nabla}_T \xi_\alpha) \\ &= g\left[-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \eta_\alpha(T)\right] \varphi T, \xi_\alpha \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\cos \theta_\alpha$  are constants for all  $\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . □

Here is a direct corollary for  $s = 1$ :

**Corollary 2.4.** *In a Sasakian manifold endowed with  $\bar{\nabla}$ , a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve is slant.*

**2.2. Main Calculations.** Now, it is time to find quarter-symmetric curvatures of quarter-symmetric magnetic curves in  $S$ -manifolds.

Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M = (M^{2n+s}, \varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  be a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve. Since it is  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant, equation (8) becomes

$$(10) \quad \bar{\nabla}_T T = \left[-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right] \varphi T.$$

Using (6) and (10), we have

$$(11) \quad \bar{k}_1 E_2 = \left[-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right] \varphi T.$$

The norm of both sides in (11) gives us

$$(12) \quad \bar{k}_1 = \left|-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right| \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha},$$

which is a constant. If we replace (12) in (11), we find

$$(13) \quad \varphi T = \delta \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha} E_2,$$

where  $\delta = \text{sign}(-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha)$ . If we differentiate both sides of (13) along the curve and use (9), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\nabla}_T \varphi T &= \left(1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \xi_\alpha\right) \\ &\quad + \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right) \left(-T + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha\right) + \bar{k}_1 \varphi E_2 \\ &= \delta \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha} (-\bar{k}_1 T + \bar{k}_2 E_3). \end{aligned}$$

After some calculations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (14) \quad \bar{k}_2 \delta \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha} E_3 &= \left(1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \xi_\alpha\right) \\ &\quad + \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha + \delta.D\right) \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha\right) \\ &\quad - \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha + \delta.D \cdot \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) .T \\ &= W, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$D = \frac{\bar{k}_1}{\sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha}} = \left| -q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \right|.$$

Finally, we obtain

$$(15) \quad \bar{k}_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) q^2 - 2 \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right) \left(1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) q}{\left(3 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha\right)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha\right) s}}$$

and

$$(16) \quad E_3 = \frac{1}{\bar{k}_2 \delta \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha}} W.$$

Notice that  $\bar{k}_2$  is also a constant.

If we differentiate (14) once more, we have  $\bar{\kappa}_3 = 0$ . As a result we can state our second lemma:

**Lemma 2.5.** *The osculating order of a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve in an  $S$ -manifold is at most 3.*

Finally, we can classify quarter-symmetric magnetic curves of  $S$ -manifolds as follows:

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M = (M^{2n+s}, \varphi, \xi_\alpha, \eta^\alpha, g)$  be a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve. Then it belongs to the following list:*

(a) *quarter-symmetric non-Legendre  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant geodesics with  $\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \neq 0$  (including quarter-symmetric geodesics as integral curves of  $\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha$ , where  $\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha = 1$ ); or*

(b) *quarter-symmetric  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant circles with*

$$\bar{k}_1 = \left| -q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \right| \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha},$$

and its Frenet frame field for  $\bar{\nabla}$  is

$$\left\{ T, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha}} \delta \varphi T \right\},$$

or

(c) *quarter-symmetric  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant helices with*

$$\bar{k}_1 = \left| -q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \right| \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha},$$

$$\bar{k}_2 = \sqrt{\left( \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha \right) q^2 - 2 \left( \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \right) \left( 1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha \right) q + \left( 3 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha \right) \left( \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \right)^2 + \left( 1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha \right) s}$$

and its Frenet frame field for  $\bar{\nabla}$  is

$$\left\{ T, \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha}} \delta \varphi T, \frac{1}{\bar{k}_2 \delta \sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha}} W \right\},$$

where  $W$  is given by (14).

Otherwise,  $\gamma$  can not be a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve.

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  be a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve of osculating order  $r$ . Then,  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant curve (Lemma 2.3) and  $1 \leq r \leq 3$  (Lemma 2.5). Firstly, let  $r = 1$ , that is,  $\bar{\nabla}_T T = 0$ . From equation (10), we get

$$0 = \left[ -q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \right] \varphi T.$$

So, either  $-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha = 0$  or  $\varphi T = 0$ . If  $-q + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha = 0$ , then  $\gamma$  is a non-Legendre  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant curve, since  $q = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha$  is a non-zero constant.



Or else,  $\varphi T = 0$  gives us  $\varphi^2 T = 0 = -T + \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha$ . Then, we can write

$$T = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha,$$

i.e.  $\gamma$  is an integral curve of  $\sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos \theta_\alpha \xi_\alpha$ . From the fact that  $\gamma$  is a unit-speed curve, we also have  $g(T, T) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha = 1$ . We finished the proof of (a). Now, let  $r = 2$ , that is,  $\bar{k}_2 = 0$ . In this case, the curve  $\gamma$  has only one non-zero quarter-symmetric curvature given by equation (12). If we denote the Frenet frame field as  $\{T, E_2\}$ , from equation (13), we can write

$$E_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \sum_{\alpha=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_\alpha}} \delta \varphi T.$$

Note that  $\bar{k}_1$  is a constant and  $\bar{k}_2 = 0$ , so  $\gamma$  is a quarter-symmetric  $\theta_\alpha$ -slant circle. The proof of (b) is done. Finally, let  $r = 3$ , i.e.  $\bar{k}_3 = 0$ . We have already calculated the quarter-symmetric curvatures  $\bar{k}_1$  and  $\bar{k}_2$  in equations (12) and (15). If we denote the Frenet frame field as  $\{T, E_2, E_3\}$ , we can write  $E_2$  and  $E_3$  as in equations (13) and (16). Thus, the proof of (c) is over. The osculating order  $r$  can not be greater than 3, so the list is complete. If  $\gamma$  does not belong to the list, it can not be a quarter-symmetric magnetic curve.  $\square$

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