

CURVES OF GENERALIZED $AW(k)$ -TYPE IN EUCLIDEAN SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this study, we consider curves of generalized $AW(k)$ -type of Euclidean n -space. We give curvature conditions of these kind of curves.

1. INTRODUCTION

In [7], the first author and A. West defined the notion of submanifolds of $AW(k)$ -type. Since then, many works have been done related to these type of manifolds (for example, see [15], [5], [6] and [3]). In [15], the first author and B. Kılıç studied curves and surfaces of $AW(k)$ -type. Further, in [27], C. Özgür and F. Gezgin carried out the results for where given in [5] to Bertrand curves and new special curves defined in [13] by S. Izumiya and N. Takeuchi. For example, in [5] and [15], the authors gave curvature conditions and characterizations related to these curves in \mathbb{R}^n . Also many results are obtained in Lorentzian spaces in [17], [22], [21], [18] and [8]. In [32], D. Yoon investigate curvature conditions of curves of $AW(k)$ -type in Lie group G . Recently, C. Özgür and the second author studied some types of slant curves of pseudo-Hermitian $AW(k)$ -type in [26].

In the present study, we give a generalization of $AW(k)$ -type curves in Euclidean n -space \mathbb{E}^n . We also give curvature conditions of these type of curves.

2. BASIC NOTATION

Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed curve in \mathbb{E}^n . The curve γ is called a Frenet curve of osculating order d if its higher order derivatives $\gamma'(s), \gamma''(s), \dots, \gamma^{(d)}(s)$ ($d \leq n$) are linearly independent and $\gamma'(s), \gamma''(s), \dots, \gamma^{(d+1)}(s)$ are no longer linearly independent for all $s \in I$. To each Frenet curve of order d , one can associate an orthonormal d -frame v_1, v_2, \dots, v_d along γ (such that $\gamma'(s) = v_1$) called the Frenet d -frame and $(d - 1)$ functions $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_{d-1} : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ called the Frenet curvatures

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such that the Frenet formulas are defined in the usual way:

$$(2.1) \quad \left. \begin{aligned} D_{v_1} v_1 &= \kappa_1 v_2, \\ D_{v_1} v_2 &= -\kappa_1 v_1 + \kappa_2 v_3, \\ &\dots \\ D_{v_1} v_i &= -\kappa_{i-1} v_{i-1} + \kappa_i v_{i+1}, \\ D_{v_1} v_d &= -\kappa_{d-1} v_{d-1}, \end{aligned} \right\}$$

where $3 \leq i \leq d-1$.

3. CURVES OF GENERALIZED $AW(k)$ -TYPE

Let γ be a unit speed curve in n -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbb{E}^n . By the use of Frenet formulas (2.1), we obtain the higher order derivatives of γ as follows:

$$(3.1) \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \gamma''(s) &= \kappa_1 v_2, \\ \gamma'''(s) &= -\kappa_1^2 v_1 + \kappa_1' v_2 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 v_3, \\ \gamma^{(iv)}(s) &= -3\kappa_1 \kappa_1' v_1 + (\kappa_1'' - \kappa_1^3 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^2) v_2 \\ &\quad + (2\kappa_1' \kappa_2 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2') v_3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3 v_4, \\ \gamma^{(v)}(s) &= [-3(\kappa_1')^2 - 4\kappa_1 \kappa_1'' + \kappa_1^4 + \kappa_1^2 \kappa_2^2] v_1 \\ &\quad + (\kappa_1''' - 6\kappa_1^2 \kappa_1' - 3\kappa_1' \kappa_2^2 - 3\kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_2') v_2 \\ &\quad + (3\kappa_1'' \kappa_2 + 3\kappa_1' \kappa_2' - \kappa_1^3 \kappa_2 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2'' - \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3^2) v_3 \\ &\quad + (3\kappa_1' \kappa_2 \kappa_3 + 2\kappa_1 \kappa_2' \kappa_3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3') v_4 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3 \kappa_4 v_5. \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Let us write

$$(3.2) \quad \left. \begin{aligned} N_1 &= \kappa_1 v_2, \\ N_2 &= \kappa_1' v_2 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 v_3, \\ N_3 &= \lambda_2 v_2 + \lambda_3 v_3 + \lambda_4 v_4, \\ N_4 &= \mu_2 v_2 + \mu_3 v_3 + \mu_4 v_4 + \mu_5 v_5, \end{aligned} \right\}$$

where

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda_2 &= \kappa_1'' - \kappa_1^3 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^2, \\ \lambda_3 &= 2\kappa_1' \kappa_2 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2', \\ \lambda_4 &= \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \mu_2 &= \kappa_1''' - 6\kappa_1^2 \kappa_1' - 3\kappa_1' \kappa_2^2 - 3\kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_2', \\ \mu_3 &= 3\kappa_1'' \kappa_2 + 3\kappa_1' \kappa_2' - \kappa_1^3 \kappa_2 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2'' - \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3^2, \\ \mu_4 &= 3\kappa_1' \kappa_2 \kappa_3 + 2\kappa_1 \kappa_2' \kappa_3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3', \\ \mu_5 &= \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3 \kappa_4 \end{aligned}$$

are differentiable functions.

We give the following definition:

Definition 3.1. Frenet curves are

- i*) of generalized $AW(1)$ -type if they satisfy $N_4 = 0$,
- ii*) of generalized $AW(2)$ -type if they satisfy

$$(3.5) \quad \|N_2\|^2 N_4 = \langle N_2, N_4 \rangle N_2,$$

- iii*) of generalized $AW(3)$ -type if they satisfy

$$(3.6) \quad \|N_1\|^2 N_4 = \langle N_1, N_4 \rangle N_1,$$

- iv*) of generalized $AW(4)$ -type if they satisfy

$$(3.7) \quad \|N_3\|^2 N_4 = \langle N_3, N_4 \rangle N_3,$$

$v)$ of generalized $AW(5)$ -type if they satisfy

$$(3.8) \quad N_4 = a_1 N_1 + b_1 N_2,$$

$vi)$ of generalized $AW(6)$ -type if they satisfy

$$(3.9) \quad N_4 = a_2 N_1 + b_2 N_3,$$

$vii)$ of generalized $AW(7)$ -type if they satisfy

$$(3.10) \quad N_4 = a_3 N_2 + b_3 N_3,$$

where a_i, b_i ($1 \leq i \leq 3$) are non-zero real valued differentiable functions.

Remark 3.1. We use notation $GAW(k)$ -type for the curves of generalized $AW(k)$ -type.

Geometrically, a curve of $GAW(k)$ -type is a curve whose fifth derivative's normal part is either zero or linearly dependent with one or two of its previous derivatives' normal parts.

Firstly, we give the following proposition:

Proposition 3.1. *The osculating order of a Frenet curve of any $GAW(k)$ -type can not be bigger than or equal to 5.*

Proof. Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a Frenet curve of osculating order d . If γ is of any $GAW(k)$ -type, since none of N_i ($1 \leq i \leq 3$) contains a component in the direction of v_5 , we find $\mu_5 = \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3 \kappa_4 = 0$. This concludes $d \leq 4$, which completes the proof. \square

Using equations 3.2 and Definition 3.1, we obtain the following main theorem:

Theorem 3.1. *Let γ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ in n -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbb{E}^n . Then γ is*

$i)$ of $GAW(1)$ -type if and only if

$$\mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_4 = 0,$$

$ii)$ of $GAW(2)$ -type if and only if

$$\mu_4 = 0,$$

$$\kappa_1 \kappa_2 \mu_2 - \kappa_1' \mu_3 = 0,$$

$iii)$ of $GAW(3)$ -type if and only if

$$\mu_3 = \mu_4 = 0,$$

$iv)$ of $GAW(4)$ -type if and only if

$$\lambda_2 \mu_3 - \lambda_3 \mu_2 = 0,$$

$$\lambda_2 \mu_4 - \lambda_4 \mu_2 = 0,$$

$v)$ of $GAW(5)$ -type if and only if

$$\mu_2 = a_1 \kappa_1 + b_1 \kappa_1',$$

$$\mu_3 = b_1 \kappa_1 \kappa_2,$$

$$\mu_4 = 0,$$

$vi)$ of $GAW(6)$ -type if and only if

$$\mu_2 = a_2 \kappa_1 + b_2 \lambda_2,$$

$$\mu_3 = b_2\lambda_3,$$

$$\mu_4 = b_2\lambda_4,$$

vii) of *GAW(7)*-type if and only if

$$\mu_2 = a_3\kappa'_1 + b_3\lambda_2,$$

$$\mu_3 = a_3\kappa_1\kappa_2 + b_3\lambda_3,$$

$$\mu_4 = b_3\lambda_4.$$

Proof. i) Let γ be of *GAW(1)*-type. Then, from equations (3.2) and Definition 3.1, we have $N_4 = \mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4 = 0$. Since v_2, v_3 and v_4 are linearly independent, we get $\mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_4 = 0$. The sufficiency is trivial.

ii) Let γ be of *GAW(2)*-type. If we calculate $\|N_2\|^2$ and $\langle N_2, N_4 \rangle$, by the use of equations (3.2) and (3.5), we obtain

$$[(\kappa'_1)^2 + \kappa_1^2\kappa_2^2](\mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4) = (\kappa'_1\mu_2 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\mu_3)(\kappa'_1v_2 + \kappa_1\kappa_2v_3).$$

Since v_2, v_3 and v_4 are linearly independent, we find $\mu_4 = 0$ and $\kappa_1\kappa_2\mu_2 - \kappa'_1\mu_3 = 0$. Conversely, if $\mu_4 = 0$ and $\kappa_1\kappa_2\mu_2 - \kappa'_1\mu_3 = 0$, one can easily show that equation (3.5) is satisfied.

iii) Let γ be of *GAW(3)*-type. We get $\|N_1\|^2 = \kappa_1^2$ and $\langle N_1, N_4 \rangle = \kappa_1\mu_2$. So, if we write these equations in (3.6), we have

$$\kappa_1^2(\mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4) = \kappa_1\mu_2(\kappa_1v_2).$$

Thus, $\mu_3 = \mu_4 = 0$. Converse theorem is clear.

iv) Let γ be of *GAW(4)*-type. We can easily calculate $\|N_3\|^2 = \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_4^2$ and $\langle N_3, N_4 \rangle = \lambda_2\mu_2 + \lambda_3\mu_3 + \lambda_4\mu_4$. So equation (3.7) gives us

$$(\lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_4^2)(\mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4) = (\lambda_2\mu_2 + \lambda_3\mu_3 + \lambda_4\mu_4)(\lambda_2v_2 + \lambda_3v_3 + \lambda_4v_4).$$

Hence, we can write

$$(3.11) \quad (\lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_4^2)\mu_2 = (\lambda_2\mu_2 + \lambda_3\mu_3 + \lambda_4\mu_4)\lambda_2,$$

$$(3.12) \quad (\lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_4^2)\mu_3 = (\lambda_2\mu_2 + \lambda_3\mu_3 + \lambda_4\mu_4)\lambda_3,$$

$$(3.13) \quad (\lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2 + \lambda_4^2)\mu_4 = (\lambda_2\mu_2 + \lambda_3\mu_3 + \lambda_4\mu_4)\lambda_4.$$

If we multiply (3.11) with λ_3 and use equation (3.12), we find $\lambda_2\mu_3 - \lambda_3\mu_2 = 0$. Multiplying (3.11) with λ_4 and using equation (3.13), we have $\lambda_2\mu_4 - \lambda_4\mu_2 = 0$. Conversely, it is easy to show that equation (3.7) is satisfied if $\lambda_2\mu_3 - \lambda_3\mu_2 = 0$ and $\lambda_2\mu_4 - \lambda_4\mu_2 = 0$.

v) Let γ be of *GAW(5)*-type. Then, in view of equations (3.8) and (3.2), we can write

$$\mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4 = a_1(\kappa_1v_2) + b_1(\kappa'_1v_2 + \kappa_1\kappa_2v_3),$$

which gives us $\mu_2 = a_1\kappa_1 + b_1\kappa'_1$, $\mu_3 = b_1\kappa_1\kappa_2$ and $\mu_4 = 0$. Conversely, if these last three equations are satisfied, one can show that $N_4 = a_1N_1 + b_1N_2$.

vi) Let γ be of *GAW(6)*-type. By definition, we have $N_4 = a_2N_1 + b_2N_3$, that is,

$$\mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4 = a_2(\kappa_1v_2) + b_2(\lambda_2v_2 + \lambda_3v_3 + \lambda_4v_4).$$

Since v_2, v_3 and v_4 are linearly independent, we can write

$$\mu_2 = a_2\kappa_1 + b_2\lambda_2,$$

$$\mu_3 = b_2\lambda_3,$$

$$\mu_4 = b_2\lambda_4.$$

Conversely, if these last equations are satisfied, then we easily show that $N_4 = a_2N_1 + b_2N_3$.

vii) Let γ be of $GAW(7)$ -type. Then using equations (3.10) and (3.2), we obtain

$$\mu_2v_2 + \mu_3v_3 + \mu_4v_4 = a_3(\kappa_1'v_2 + \kappa_1\kappa_2v_3) + b_3(\lambda_2v_2 + \lambda_3v_3 + \lambda_4v_4).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_2 &= a_3\kappa_1' + b_3\lambda_2, \\ \mu_3 &= a_3\kappa_1\kappa_2 + b_3\lambda_3, \\ \mu_4 &= b_3\lambda_4.\end{aligned}$$

Conversely, let γ be a curve satisfying the last three equations. It is easily found that $N_4 = a_3N_2 + b_3N_3$. \square

From now on, we consider Frenet curves whose first curvature κ_1 is a constant. We give curvature conditions of such a curve to be of $GAW(k)$ -type. We can state following propositions:

Proposition 3.2. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of $GAW(1)$ -type if and only if it is a straight line or a circle.*

Proof. Let γ be of $GAW(1)$ -type. Since $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$, using (3.4) and Theorem 3.1, we find

$$(3.14) \quad \mu_2 = -3\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_2' = 0,$$

$$(3.15) \quad \mu_3 = -\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2'' - \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3^2 = 0,$$

$$(3.16) \quad \mu_4 = 2\kappa_1\kappa_2'\kappa_3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3' = 0.$$

If $\kappa_1 = 0$, then γ is a straight line and above three equations are satisfied. Let κ_1 be a non-zero constant. If $\kappa_2 = 0$, then γ is a circle and equations (3.14), (3.15) and (3.16) are satisfied again. Assume that $\kappa_2 \neq 0$. Then (3.14) gives us $\kappa_2' = 0$, that is, κ_2 is a constant. In this case, from equation (3.15), we get $(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2) = 0$, which means $\kappa_1 = \kappa_2 = \kappa_3 = 0$. This is a contradiction. So $\kappa_2 = 0$.

Conversely, let γ be a straight line or a circle. Thus $\kappa_1 = 0$; or $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$ and $\kappa_2 = 0$. So $\mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_4 = 0$, which completes the proof. \square

Proposition 3.3. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of $GAW(2)$ -type if and only if*

- i) *it is a straight line; or*
- ii) *it is a circle; or*
- iii) *it is a helix of order 3 or 4.*

Proof. Let γ be of $GAW(2)$ -type. Since $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$, using (3.4) and Theorem 3.1, we obtain

$$(3.17) \quad \mu_4 = 2\kappa_1\kappa_2'\kappa_3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3' = 0,$$

$$(3.18) \quad \kappa_1\kappa_2(-3\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_2') = 0.$$

One can easily see that κ_2 and κ_3 must be constants. Thus, γ can be a straight line, a circle or a helix of order 3 or 4. Conversely, if γ is one of these curves, the proof is clear using Theorem 3.1. \square

Proposition 3.4. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of GAW(3)-type if and only if*

i) it is a straight line; or

ii) it is a circle; or

iii) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 satisfying the second order non-linear ODE

$$\kappa_2'' = \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2); \text{ or}$$

iv) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 4 with

$$\kappa_2 = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}}$$

and its third curvature satisfies the second order non-linear ODE

$$(3.19) \quad \kappa_3'' - \frac{3(\kappa_3')^2}{2\kappa_3} + 2\kappa_3(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_3^2) + 2c^2 = 0,$$

and where $c > 0$ is an arbitrary constant.

Proof. Let γ be of GAW(3)-type. Since $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$, using (3.4) and Theorem 3.1, we have

$$(3.20) \quad \mu_3 = -\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2'' - \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3^2 = 0,$$

$$(3.21) \quad \mu_4 = 2\kappa_1\kappa_2'\kappa_3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3' = 0.$$

If $d = 1$ or $d = 2$, we obtain line and circle cases, both of which do not contradict above two equations. Let $d = 3$. Then $\kappa_1 = \text{constant} > 0$, $\kappa_2 > 0$ and $\kappa_3 = 0$. (3.21) is satisfied directly and (3.20) gives us

$$\kappa_2'' = \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2),$$

which is a second order non-linear ODE. Now, let $d = 4$. Thus, $\kappa_1 = \text{constant} > 0$, $\kappa_2 > 0$ and $\kappa_3 > 0$. If we solve (3.21), we find

$$(3.22) \quad \kappa_2 = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

where $c > 0$ is an arbitrary constant. Then

$$\kappa_2' = \frac{-c\kappa_3'}{2\kappa_3^{3/2}},$$

$$(3.23) \quad \kappa_2'' = c \cdot \left[\frac{3(\kappa_3')^2}{4\kappa_3^{5/2}} - \frac{\kappa_3''}{2\kappa_3^{3/2}} \right].$$

If we multiply equation (3.20) with $\frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_1}$, using (3.22) and (3.23), we obtain the second order non-linear ODE (3.19). Conversely, if γ is one of these curves, one can show that $\mu_3 = \mu_4 = 0$. \square

Proposition 3.5. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of GAW(4)-type if and only if*

i) it is a straight line; or

ii) it is a circle; or

iii) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 satisfying the second order non-linear ODE

$$(3.24) \quad 3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2 = (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) [\kappa_2'' - \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)]; \text{ or}$$

iv) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 4 with

$$(3.25) \quad \kappa_2^2 \kappa_3 = c. (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)^{3/2}$$

and its curvatures satisfy

$$3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2 = (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) [\kappa_2'' - \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2)].$$

Here, c is an arbitrary constant.

Proof. Let γ be of GAW(4)-type. Since $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$, using (3.3), (3.4) and Theorem 3.1, we find

$$(3.26) \quad (-\kappa_1^3 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^2)(-\kappa_1^3 \kappa_2 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2'' - \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3^2) - (\kappa_1 \kappa_2')(-3\kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_2') = 0,$$

$$(3.27) \quad (-\kappa_1^3 - \kappa_1 \kappa_2^2)(2\kappa_1 \kappa_2' \kappa_3 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3') - (\kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3)(-3\kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_2') = 0.$$

(3.26) and (3.27) give us

$$(3.28) \quad 3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2 = (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) [\kappa_2'' - \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2)],$$

$$(3.29) \quad (2\kappa_1^2 - \kappa_2^2)\kappa_3 \kappa_2' + \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)\kappa_3' = 0.$$

Now, if $\kappa_1 = 0$, then γ is a straight line and equations (3.26) and (3.27) are satisfied. Let κ_1 be a non-zero constant. If $\kappa_2 = 0$, then γ is a circle. Let $\kappa_2 > 0$ and $\kappa_3 = 0$. Then, from equation (3.28), we obtain (3.24). Now, let $d = 4$. Then, using equation (3.29), we can write

$$\int \frac{(2\kappa_1^2 - \kappa_2^2)}{\kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)} d\kappa_2 + \int \frac{1}{\kappa_3} d\kappa_3 = \ln c.$$

Remember that $\kappa_1 > 0$ is a constant. So we find

$$2 \ln(\kappa_2) - \frac{3}{2} \ln(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) + \ln(\kappa_3) = \ln c,$$

which gives us (3.25). Furthermore, γ must also satisfy (3.28). Conversely, if γ is one of the curves above, we can show that (3.26) and (3.27) are satisfied. \square

Proposition 3.6. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of GAW(5)-type if and only if*

i) it is a straight line; or

ii) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 with

$$\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant}$$

and

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2); \text{ or}$$

iii) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 4 with

$$\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant}, \kappa_3 \neq \text{constant},$$

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2)$$

and

$$\kappa_2 = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

where $c > 0$ is an arbitrary constant.

Proof. Let γ be of $GAW(5)$ -type. Since $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$, by the use of Theorem 3.1 and equations (3.4), we have

$$(3.30) \quad -3\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_2' = a_1\kappa_1,$$

$$(3.31) \quad -\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2'' - \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3^2 = b_1\kappa_1\kappa_2,$$

$$(3.32) \quad 2\kappa_1\kappa_2'\kappa_3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3' = 0.$$

If $d = 1$, then γ is a straight line and above equations are satisfied. If $d = 2$, then γ is a circle. From (3.30), we find $a_1 = 0$, which contradicts the definition. Now, let $d = 3$. Then, using (3.30) and (3.31), we find

$$a_1 = -3\kappa_2\kappa_2',$$

$$b_1 = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2} - \kappa_1^2 - \kappa_2^2.$$

Since a_1 and b_1 are non-zero functions, then $\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant}$ and $\kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)$. Finally, let $d = 4$. Then, equation (3.32) gives us

$$(3.33) \quad \kappa_2 = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

where $c > 0$ is an arbitrary constant. In this case, from (3.30) and (3.31), we find

$$(3.34) \quad a_1 = -3\kappa_2\kappa_2',$$

$$(3.35) \quad b_1 = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2} - \kappa_1^2 - \kappa_2^2 - \kappa_3^2.$$

Thus, (3.33) and (3.34) give us

$$(3.36) \quad \kappa_2 \neq \text{constant}, \kappa_3 \neq \text{constant}.$$

Also, from (3.35), we can write

$$(3.37) \quad \kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2).$$

Converse proposition is trivial. \square

Proposition 3.7. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of $GAW(6)$ -type if and only if*

- i) it is a straight line; or*
- ii) it is a circle; or*
- iii) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 with*

$$\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant},$$

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)$$

and

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) + \frac{3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2}; \text{ or}$$

- iv) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 4 with*

$$\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant},$$

$$\kappa_2 \neq \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

$$\frac{2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_2} + \frac{\kappa_3'}{\kappa_3} = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2} - \frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2)$$

and

$$(3.38) \quad \kappa_2'' \neq \kappa_2 (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2) + \frac{3\kappa_2 (\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2}.$$

Here, $c > 0$ is an arbitrary constant.

Proof. Let γ be of GAW(6)-type. Since $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$, by the use of equations (3.3), (3.4) and Theorem 3.1, we have

$$(3.39) \quad -3\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_2' = a_2\kappa_1 + b_2(-\kappa_1^3 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^2),$$

$$(3.40) \quad -\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2'' - \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3^2 = b_2\kappa_1\kappa_2',$$

$$(3.41) \quad 2\kappa_1\kappa_2'\kappa_3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3' = b_2\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3.$$

If $\kappa_1 = 0$, then γ is a straight line. Let $d = 2$. Then γ is a circle and from (3.39), we obtain

$$a_2 - b_2\kappa_1^2 = 0,$$

which is satisfied for some a_2, b_2 non-zero differentiable functions. (3.40) and (3.41) are also satisfied. Now, let $d = 3$. Then we have

$$(3.42) \quad -3\kappa_2\kappa_2' = a_2 - b_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2),$$

$$(3.43) \quad \kappa_2'' - \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) = b_2\kappa_2'.$$

Thus κ_2 can not be constant. So (3.42) and (3.43) give us

$$b_2 = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2'} - \frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2),$$

$$a_2 = -3\kappa_2\kappa_2' + \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) - \frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)^2,$$

both of which must be non-zero. Finally, let $d = 4$. From (3.40), $\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant}$. In this case, by the use of (3.39), (3.40) and (3.41), we obtain

$$(3.44) \quad b_2 = \frac{2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_2} + \frac{\kappa_3'}{\kappa_3} = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2'} - \frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2),$$

$$(3.45) \quad a_2 = -3\kappa_2\kappa_2' + \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) - \frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_2'}(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2).$$

Thus, from equation (3.44), we have

$$\kappa_2 \neq \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

where $c > 0$ is an arbitrary constant. We also have (3.38) from (3.45). \square

Converse proposition is done easily. \square

Proposition 3.8. *Let $\gamma : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}^n$ be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order $d \leq 4$ with $\kappa_1 = \text{constant}$. Then γ is of GAW(7)-type if and only if*

- i) it is a straight line; or*
- ii) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 satisfying*

$$\begin{aligned} & \kappa_2 \neq \text{constant}, \\ & \kappa_2'' \neq \frac{3\kappa_2 (\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2} + \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2); \text{ or} \end{aligned}$$

iv) it is a Frenet curve of osculating order 4 satisfying

$$\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant},$$

$$\kappa_2 \neq \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

$$\frac{3\kappa_2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2} = \frac{2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_2} + \frac{\kappa_3'}{\kappa_3},$$

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \frac{3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2} + \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2),$$

where c is an arbitrary constant.

Proof. Let γ be of GAW(7)-type. If we use equations (3.3), (3.4) and Theorem 3.1, we obtain

$$(3.46) \quad -3\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_2' = b_3(-\kappa_1^3 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^2),$$

$$(3.47) \quad -\kappa_1^3\kappa_2 - \kappa_1\kappa_2^3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2'' - \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3^2 = a_3\kappa_1\kappa_2 + b_3\kappa_1\kappa_2',$$

$$(3.48) \quad 2\kappa_1\kappa_2'\kappa_3 + \kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3' = b_3\kappa_1\kappa_2\kappa_3.$$

If $d = 1$, γ is a straight line. Let $d = 2$. Then, from (3.46), we find $\kappa_1 = 0$. This is a contradiction. Let $d = 3$. Then, using (3.46), κ_2 can not be constant. By the use of (3.46) and (3.47), we get

$$(3.49) \quad b_3 = \frac{3\kappa_2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2},$$

$$a_3 = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2} - \frac{3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)} - (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2),$$

both of which are non-zero differentiable functions. Again, equation (3.49) requires κ_2 is not a constant. We also have

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \frac{3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2} + \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2).$$

Now, let $d = 4$. Then, using equations (3.46), (3.47) and (3.48), we obtain

$$(3.50) \quad b_3 = \frac{3\kappa_2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2} = \frac{2\kappa_2'}{\kappa_2} + \frac{\kappa_3'}{\kappa_3},$$

$$a_3 = \frac{\kappa_2''}{\kappa_2} - \frac{3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2)} - (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2),$$

which give us

$$\kappa_2 \neq \text{constant},$$

$$\kappa_2 \neq \frac{c}{\sqrt{\kappa_3}},$$

$$\kappa_2'' \neq \frac{3\kappa_2(\kappa_2')^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2} + \kappa_2(\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \kappa_3^2).$$

Here, c is an arbitrary constant.

Converse proposition is trivial. \square

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