

Isotropic Smarandache Curves in Complex Space C^3

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Abstract: A regular curve in complex space, whose position vector is composed by Cartan frame vectors on another regular curve, is called a isotropic Smarandache curve. In this paper, I examine isotropic Smarandache curve according to Cartan frame in Complex 3-space and give some differential geometric properties of Smarandache curves. We define type-1 e_1e_3 -isotropic Smarandache curves, type-2 e_1e_3 -isotropic Smarandache curves and $e_1e_2e_3$ -isotropic Smarandache curves in Complex space C^3 .

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§1. Introduction

It is observe that the imaginary curve in complex space were pioneered by E. Cartan. Cartan defined his moving frame and his special equations in C^3 . In [6], the Cartan equations of isotropic curve is extended to space C^4 . Moreover U. Pekmen [2] wrote some characterizations of minimal curves by means of E. Cartan equations in C^3 .

A regular curve in Euclidean 3-space, whose position vector is composed by Frenet frame vectors on another regular curve, is called Smarandache curve. M. Turgut and S. Yılmaz have defined a special case of such curves and call it Smarandache TB_2 curves in the space E_1^4 [7]. A.T. Ali has introduced some special Smarandache curves in the Euclidean space [9]. Moreover, special Smarandache curves have been investigated by using Bishop frame in Euclidean space [10]. Special Smarandache curves according to Sabban frame have been studied by [11]. Besides some special Smarandache curves have been obtained in E_1^3 by [12]. Apart from M. Turgut defined Smarandache breadth curves [8].

It is given that complex elements and complex curves to real space \mathbb{R}^3 which are mentioned by Ferruh Semin, see [1]. In complex space C^3 helices are characterized in [5]. In complex space C^4 , S. Yılmaz characterized the isotropic curves with constant pseudo curvature which is called the slant isotropic helix. Yılmaz and Turgut give some characterization of isotropic helices in C^3 [3].

Several authors introduce different types of helices and investigated their properties. For instance, Barros et. al. studied general helices in 3- dimensional Lorentzian space. Izumiya and

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Takeuchi defined slant helices by the property that principal normal makes a constant angle with a fixed direction [14]. Kula and Yayli studied spherical images of tangent and binormal indicatrices of slant helices and they have shown that spherical images are spherical helix [15]. Ali and Lopez gave some characterization of slant helices in Minkowski 3-space E_1^3 [13].

In this work, using not common vector field know as Cartan frame, I introduce a new Smarandache curves in C^3 . Also, Cartan apparatus of Smarandache curves have been formed by Cartan apparatus of given curve $\alpha = \alpha(s)$.

§2. Preliminaries

Let x_p be a complex analytic function of a complex variable t . Then the vector function

$$\vec{x}(t) = \sum_{p=1}^4 x_p(t) \vec{k}_p,$$

is called an imaginary curve, where $\vec{x} : C \rightarrow C^4$, \vec{k}_p are standard basis unit vectors of E^3 [6].

An isotropic curve $x = x(s)$ in C^3 is called an isotropic cubic if pseudo curvature of $x(s)$ is congruent to zero. A direction (b_1, b_2, b_3) is a minimal direction if and only if

$$\sum_{p=1}^3 b_p^2 = 0.$$

A vector which has a minimal direction is called an isotropic vector or minimal vector. A vector \vec{v} is a minimal vector if and only if $\vec{v}^2 = 0$. Common points of a complex plane and absolute are called *siklik* points of the plane. A plane which is tangent to the absolute is called a minimal plane, see [6]. The curves, of which the square of the distance between the two points equal to zero, are called minimal or isotropic curves [3]. Let s denote pseudo arc-length A curve is an minimal (isotropic) curve if and only if ([4,5])

$$[\vec{x}'(t)]^2 = 0 \quad (2.2)$$

where $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \vec{x}'(t) \neq 0$. Let be each point \vec{x} of the isotropic curve. E. Cartan frame is defined (for well-known complex number $i^2 = -1$) as follows, (see [1,4])

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{e}_1 &= \vec{x}' \\ \vec{e}_2 &= i \vec{x}'' \\ \vec{e}_3 &= -\frac{\beta}{2} \vec{x}' + \vec{x}''' \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

where $\beta = (\vec{x}''')^2$, equation (2.3) denote by $\{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \vec{e}_3\}$ the moving E. Cartan frame along the isotropic curve \vec{x} in the space C^3 .

The inner products of these frame vectors are given by

$$\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i+j \equiv 1, 2, 3, \pmod{4} \\ 1 & \text{if } i+j = 4 \end{cases} \quad (2.4)$$

The cross (vectorial) and fixed products of these frame vectors are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{e}_j \wedge \vec{e}_k &= i \vec{e}_{j+k-2} \\ \langle \vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2 \wedge \vec{e}_3 \rangle &= i \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

for $j, k = 1, 2, 3$, $s = \int_{t_0}^t -[\overline{x}'(t)]^{\frac{1}{4}} dt$ is a pseudo arc length, also invariant with respect to parameter t . Thus the vector \vec{e}_1 and \vec{e}_3 are isotropic vector, \vec{e}_2 is real vector. Cartan derivative formulas can be deduced from equation (2.3) as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{e}_1' &= i \vec{e}_2 \\ \vec{e}_2' &= i(k \vec{e}_1 + \vec{e}_3) \\ \vec{e}_3' &= ik \vec{e}_2 \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

where $k = \frac{\beta}{2}$ is called pseudo curvature of isotropic curve $x = x(s)$. These equations can be used if the minimal curve is at least of class C^4 . Here (i) denotes derivative according to pseudo arc length s . In the rest of the paper, we will suppose pseudo curvature is non-vanishing except in the case of an isotropic cubic. Isotropic sphere with center \vec{m} and radius $r > 0$ in C^3 is defined by

$$S^2 = \{ \vec{p} = (p_1, p_2, p_3) \in C^3 : (\vec{p} - \vec{m})^2 = 0 \}.$$

§3. Type-1 $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -Isotropic Smarandache Curves

Definition 3.1 Let $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular isotropic curve in C^3 and $\{e_1^\alpha, e_2^\alpha, e_3^\alpha\}$ be its moving Cartan frame. Type-1 $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -isotropic Smarandache curves can be defined by

$$\vartheta(s^*) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1^\alpha + e_3^\alpha). \quad (3.1)$$

Now, we can investigate Cartan invariants of $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -isotropic Smarandache curves according to $\alpha = \alpha(s)$. Differentiating equation (3.1) with respect to pseudo arc length s , we obtain

$$\vartheta' = \frac{d\vartheta}{ds^*} \frac{ds^*}{ds} = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + k^\alpha)e_2^\alpha \quad (3.2)$$

where

$$\frac{ds^*}{ds} = \frac{(1 + k^\alpha)i}{\sqrt{2}}. \quad (3.3)$$

The tangent isotropic vector of curve ϑ can be expressed as follow

$$e_1^\vartheta = -\sqrt{1+k^\alpha}e_2^\alpha \quad (3.4)$$

Differentiating equation (3.4) with respect to pseudo arc length s , we obtain

$$(e_1^\vartheta)' \frac{ds^*}{ds} = 2(1+k^\alpha)ie_1^\alpha + (k^\alpha)'e_2^\alpha + 2(1+k^\alpha)ie_3^\alpha. \quad (3.5)$$

Substituting equation (3.3) into equation (3.5), we find

$$(e_1^\vartheta)' = (2\sqrt{2}k^\alpha)e_1^\alpha - \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}(k^\alpha)'}{1+k^\alpha}i\right)e_2^\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}e_3^\alpha.$$

Since $(e_1^\vartheta)' = -ie_2^\vartheta$, the principal vector field of curve ϑ

$$e_2^\vartheta = (2\sqrt{2}k^\alpha)e_1^\alpha - \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}(k^\alpha)'}{1+k^\alpha}\right)ie_2^\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}e_3^\alpha. \quad (3.6)$$

Using Cartan equation (2.6)₃, we have

$$e_3^\vartheta = i \int k^\vartheta \left[2\sqrt{2}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha + \frac{\sqrt{2}(k^\alpha)'}{1+k^\alpha}e_2^\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}ie_3^\alpha \right] ds \quad (3.7)$$

and

$$k^\vartheta = -\frac{(e_3^\vartheta)'}{e_2^\vartheta}i. \quad (3.8)$$

Substituting equations (3.6) and (3.7) into equation (3.8), we obtain

$$k^\vartheta = \frac{\left\{ i \int k^\vartheta \left[2\sqrt{2}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha + \frac{\sqrt{2}(k^\alpha)'}{1+k^\alpha}e_2^\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}ie_3^\alpha \right] ds \right\}'}{2\sqrt{2}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha + \frac{\sqrt{2}(k^\alpha)'}{1+k^\alpha}e_2^\alpha + 2\sqrt{2}ie_3^\alpha}i. \quad (3.9)$$

Proposition 3.1 *If ϑ a isotropic Smarandache curves in C^3 , then $k^\alpha = -1$.*

Proof Using equation (3.4) and definition isotropic curves, it is seen straightforwardly. \square

Proposition 3.2 *Let $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular isotropic curve in C^3 , If δ a isotropic cubic in C^3 , then pseudo curvature of α satisfies $e_3^\vartheta = \text{constant}$ and $e_2^\vartheta \neq 0$.*

Proof It is seen straightforwardly from definition isotropic cubic. \square

§4. Type-2 $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -Isotropic Smarandache Curves

Definition 4.1 *Let $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular isotropic curve in C^3 and $\{e_1^\alpha, e_2^\alpha, e_3^\alpha\}$ be*

its moving Cartan frame. Type-2 $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -isotropic Smarandache curves can be defined by

$$\delta(s^*) = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}(e_1^\alpha - e_3^\alpha). \quad (4.1)$$

Now, we can investigate Cartan invariants of type-2 $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -isotropic Smarandache curves according to $\alpha = \alpha(s)$. Differentiating equation (4.1) with respect to pseudo arc length s , we obtain

$$\delta' = \frac{d\delta}{ds^*} \frac{ds^*}{ds} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(k^\alpha - 1)e_2^\alpha \quad (4.2)$$

and

$$e_1^\delta \frac{ds^*}{ds} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(k^\alpha - 1)e_2^\alpha$$

where

$$\frac{ds^*}{ds} = \frac{\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}}{\sqrt{2}}. \quad (4.3)$$

The tangent isotropic vector of curve δ can be expressed as follow

$$e_1^\delta = -\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}e_2^\alpha \quad (4.4)$$

Differentiating equation (4.4) with respect to pseudo arc length s , we obtain

$$e_2^\delta = \sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha - \frac{i(k^\alpha)'}{2\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}}e_2^\alpha + \sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}e_3^\alpha. \quad (4.5)$$

Using definition, binormal vector field and pseudo curvature of isotropic Smarandache curve δ are respectively,

$$e_3^\delta = i \int k^\delta \left[\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha - \frac{i(k^\alpha)'}{2\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}}e_2^\alpha + \sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}e_3^\alpha \right] ds \quad (4.6)$$

and

$$k^\delta = \frac{\left\{ -i \int k^\delta \left[\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha - \frac{i(k^\alpha)'}{2\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}}e_2^\alpha + \sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}e_3^\alpha \right] ds \right\}'}{\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}k^\alpha e_1^\alpha - \frac{i(k^\alpha)'}{2\sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}}e_2^\alpha + \sqrt{k^\alpha - 1}e_3^\alpha} i. \quad (4.7)$$

Proposition 4.1 *If δ a isotropic Smarandache curves in C^3 , then $k^\alpha = 1$.*

Proof Using equation (4.4) and definition isotropic curves, it is seen straightforwardly. \square

Proposition 4.2 *Let $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular isotropic curve in C^3 , If δ a isotropic cubic in C^3 , then pseudo curvature of α satisfies $e_3^\delta = \text{constant}$ and $e_2^\delta \neq 0$.*

Proof It is seen straightforwardly from definition isotropic cubic. \square

§5. $e_1^\alpha e_2^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -Isotropic Smarandache Curves

Definition 5.1 Let $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular isotropic curve in C^3 and $\{e_1^\alpha, e_2^\alpha, e_3^\alpha\}$ be its moving Cartan frame. Type-1 $e_1^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -isotropic Smarandache curves can be defined by

$$\eta(s^*) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(e_1^\alpha + e_2^\alpha + e_3^\alpha). \quad (5.1)$$

Now, we can investigate Cartan invariants of $e_1^\alpha e_2^\alpha e_3^\alpha$ -isotropic Smarandache curves according to $\alpha = \alpha(s)$. Differentiating equation (5.1) with respect to pseudo arc length s , we have

$$\eta' = \frac{d\eta}{ds^*} \frac{ds^*}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [ik^\alpha e_1^\alpha - i(k^\alpha + 1)e_2^\alpha + ie_3^\alpha] \quad (5.2)$$

and

$$\eta' = e_1^\eta \frac{ds^*}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [ik^\alpha e_1^\alpha - i(k^\alpha + 1)e_2^\alpha + ie_3^\alpha]$$

where

$$\frac{ds^*}{ds} = \frac{\sqrt{1+k^\alpha}}{\sqrt{3}}. \quad (5.3)$$

The tangent isotropic vector of curve η can be written as follow:

$$e_1^\eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+k^\alpha}} [ik^\alpha e_1^\alpha - i(k^\alpha + 1)e_2^\alpha + ie_3^\alpha] \quad (5.4)$$

Differentiating equation (5.4) with respect to pseudo arc length s , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} e_2^\eta = & \left\{ \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right) [i(k^\alpha)' + (k^\alpha + 1)k] - \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right)' ik^\alpha \right\} e_1^\alpha \\ & - \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right) [-2k^\alpha + (k^\alpha + 1)'] - \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right)' (k^\alpha + 1) \right\} e_2^\alpha \\ & - \left\{ \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right)' + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right) \right\} e_3^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Using definition, binormal vector field and pseudo curvature of isotropic Smarandache curve η are respectively

$$\begin{aligned} e_3^\eta = & -i \int k^\eta \left\{ \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right) [(k^\alpha)' + (k^\alpha + 1)k^\alpha] - \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right)' ik^\alpha \right\} e_1^\alpha \\ & - \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right) [2k^\alpha + (k^\alpha + 1)'] - \left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right)' (k^\alpha + 1) \right\} e_2^\alpha \\ & - \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right)' + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{1+k^\alpha} \right) \right\} e_3^\alpha \} ds \end{aligned}$$

Let $e_3^\eta = H(s)$ and $e_2^\eta = G(s)$ in this case, we have

$$k^\eta = \frac{(H(s))'}{G(s)}. \quad (5.5)$$

Proposition 5.1 If η a isotropic Smarandache curves in C^3 , then $k^\alpha \neq -1$.

Proof Using equation (5.4) and definition isotropic curves, it is seen straightforwardly. \square

Proposition 5.2 Let $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ be a unit speed regular isotropic curve in C^3 , If η a isotropic cubic in C^3 , then pseudo curvature of α satisfies $e_3^\eta = \text{constant}$ and $e_2^\eta \neq 0$.

Proof It is seen straightforwardly from definition isotropic cubic. \square

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