

## ON $C$ -PARALLEL LEGENDRE AND MAGNETIC CURVES IN THREE DIMENSIONAL KENMOTSU MANIFOLDS<sup>†</sup>

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**ABSTRACT.** We find the characterizations of the curvatures of Legendre curves and magnetic curves in Kenmotsu manifolds with  $C$ -parallel and  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector fields in the tangent and normal bundles. Finally, an illustrative example is presented.

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### 1. Introduction

Almost contact metric geometry has also been studied by several authors, proving to be a source of nice examples and geometric behaviors for various different topics. By imposing, contact one-form  $\eta$  is closed, it becomes almost Kenmotsu manifold. By adding the condition such that almost complex structure  $J$  is integrable, we call it as Kenmotsu manifold [10].

Almost contact curves play a important role in differential geometry of almost contact metric 3-manifolds. As a one dimensional submanifold, we may consider almost contact curves, that is., almost Legendre curves are Frenet curves in almost contact metric 3-manifolds which belongs to the almost contact distribution. Several authors have studied almost contact curves in contact geometry such as [8], [9], [11], [13], [15]. Baikoussis and Blair, have studied almost contact curves in contact metric 3-manifold and gave the Frenet 3-frame in contact 3-manifold (see [2]).

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Let  $M$  be an almost contact metric manifold and  $\gamma(s)$  a Frenet curve in  $M$  parametrized by the arc-length parameter  $s$ .  $\alpha(s)$  is a function defined by  $\cos[\alpha(s)] = g(T(s), \xi)$  is called as the contact angle. A slant curve is defined by Cho et al. [3] the curve  $\gamma$  with constant contact angle. Especially, slant curves with fixed contact angle as  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  are called Legendre curves [1]. Legendre curves in contact metric manifolds have been intensively studied under several different points of view.

Srivastava [15] investigated the properties of almost contact curves in trans-Sasakian 3-manifolds. Lee [11] find equivalent conditions for a Legendre curve with pseudo-Hermitian harmonic mean curvature vector field and proper pseudo-Hermitian mean curvature vector field in Sasakian manifolds. Also the paper gives us that characterized almost contact curves in a Sasakian manifold having the following properties:

- a pseudo-Hermitian parallel mean curvature vector field
- a pseudo-Hermitian proper mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle.

Recently, Inoguchi and Lee have studied almost contact curves in normal almost contact metric 3-manifold and slant curves in normal almost contact metric 3-manifolds (see [8], [9]).

In [5], Güvenç and Özgür author studied  $C$ -parallel and  $C$ -proper slant curves in  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional trans-Sasakian manifolds. Moreover in [13] Özgür consider  $C$ -parallel and  $C$ -proper Legendre curves in  $(2n+1)$ -dimensional non-Sasakian contact metric manifolds.

On the other hand, Cabrerizo et al. have introduced a notion of magnetic fields on three dimensional Sasakian manifolds as follows:

The magnetic trajectories are curves  $\gamma$  in  $M^n$  that satisfy the Lorentz equation

$$\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} \dot{\gamma}' = \phi(\dot{\gamma}').$$

Majhi and Biswas apply this concept of magnetic curves to the Kenmotsu manifold as follows: A curve  $\gamma$  is said to be magnetic curve in a 3-dimensional  $f$ -Kenmotsu manifold if  $\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} \dot{\gamma}' = \phi \dot{\gamma}'$ , where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection (for more details, see [4], [7]).

Motivated by the above studies in the present paper we consider Legendre curves and magnetic curves in Kenmotsu manifolds with  $C$ -parallel and  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector fields in the tangent and normal bundles.

Consider a regular curve  $\gamma$  in almost contact metric manifold  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  containing Kenmotsu manifold, the notion of  $C$ -parallel (resp.,  $C$ -proper) can be defined as follows [5]: The  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field  $H$  is defined by  $\nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} H = \lambda \xi$ , where  $\lambda$  denotes a non-vanishing differentiable function on  $M$  and  $\nabla$  the induced Levi-Civita connection. Respectively, the  $C$ -proper mean curvature

vector field  $H$  is  $\Delta H = \lambda\xi$ , where  $\Delta$  the operator of Laplacian of  $M$ .

For clarity,  $\nabla^\perp$  and  $\Delta^\perp$  stands for the normal connection and Laplacian in the normal bundle, respectively. The condition  $\nabla_\gamma H = \lambda\xi$  does not imply  $\nabla^\perp H = \lambda\xi$ , neither  $\Delta_\gamma H = \lambda\xi$  to  $\Delta^\perp_\gamma H = \lambda H$ . We should consider  $\nabla^\perp_\gamma H = \lambda\xi$  and  $\Delta^\perp_\gamma H = \lambda\xi$  corresponding to  $\nabla_\gamma H = \lambda\xi$  and  $\Delta_\gamma H = \lambda\xi$  respectively.

Thus, in the normal bundle, we can naturally define the following notions:  $H$  is said to be  $C$ -parallel (resp.,  $C$ -proper) in the normal bundle if  $\nabla^\perp H = \lambda\xi$  (resp.,  $\Delta^\perp H = \lambda\xi$ ) where  $\Delta^\perp$  denotes the operator of covariant differentiation in the normal bundle of  $M$  (see [11]).

Introducing the technical apparatus which is required for our framework, and such manifolds have been extensively studied under several points of view in [1], [10], [12], [16], and references cited therein. An exhaustive list of the main results would be a task far beyond the aim of this paper.

The paper is organized as follows: After preliminaries in Section 3, in three dimensional Kenmotsu manifolds, we consider Legendre curves with  $C$ -parallel and  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector fields, respectively. In the final section, we consider Magnetic curves with  $C$ -parallel and  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector fields, respectively.

### 2. Preliminaries

Let  $\gamma$  be a curve in a 3-dimensional Riemannian manifold  $M$  which is parameterized by arc length, and let  $\nabla_\gamma$  denote the covariant differentiation along  $\gamma$  with respect to the Levi-Civita connection on  $M$ . The parameterized curve  $\gamma$  is called as a Frenet curve if one of the following three cases hold:

- $\gamma$  is of osculating order 1, i.e.,  $\nabla_T T = 0$  (geodesic),  $T = \dot{\gamma}$ . Here,  $\cdot$  denotes differentiation with respect to the arc parameter.
- $\gamma$  is of osculating order 2, i.e., there exist two orthonormal vector fields  $T(= \dot{\gamma})$ ,  $N$  and a non-negative functions  $\kappa$  (curvature) along  $\gamma$  such that  $\nabla_T T = \kappa T$ ,  $\nabla_T N = -\kappa T$ .
- $\gamma$  is of osculating order 3, i.e., there exist three orthonormal vectors  $T(= \dot{\gamma})$ ,  $N$ ,  $B$  and two non-negative functions  $\kappa$ (curvature) and  $\tau$ (torsion) along  $\gamma$  such that

$$\nabla_T T = \kappa N,$$

$$\nabla_T N = -\kappa T + \tau B,$$

$$\nabla_T B = -\tau N.$$

With respect to the Levi-Civita connection, a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 for which  $k$  is a positive constant and  $\tau = 0$  is called a circle in  $M$ ; a Frenet curve of osculating order 3 is called a helix in  $M$  if  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$  both are positive

constants and the curve is called a generalized helix if  $\frac{\kappa}{\tau}$  is a constant.

Let  $\gamma$  be a unit speed Frenet curve of osculating order 3 in  $M$ . By a simple calculations, it can be easily seen that

$$\nabla_T \nabla_T T = -\kappa^2 T + \kappa' N + \kappa \tau B \tag{1}$$

$$\nabla_T \nabla_T \nabla_T T = -3\kappa \kappa' T - (\kappa^3 + \kappa \tau^2 - \kappa'') N + (2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau') B = \lambda \xi, \tag{2}$$

$$\nabla_T^\perp \nabla_T^\perp T = \kappa' N + \kappa \tau B \tag{3}$$

$$\nabla_T^\perp \nabla_T^\perp \nabla_T^\perp T = -(\kappa \tau^2 - \kappa'') N + (2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau') B \tag{4}$$

(For more details see [5]).

Then we have

$$\nabla_T H = -\kappa^2 T + \kappa' N + \kappa \tau B,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta H &= \nabla_T \nabla_T \nabla_T T \\ &= 3\kappa \kappa' T + (\kappa^3 + \kappa \tau^2 - \kappa'') N - (2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau') B \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^\perp H &= \nabla_T \nabla_T \nabla_T^\perp T \\ &= (\kappa \tau^2 - \kappa'') N - (2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau') B \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Let  $\gamma$  be a non geodesic Frenet curve in a contact metric manifold  $M$ . In view of [5], we have the following relations:

- $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field  $H$  if and only if

$$-\kappa^2 T + \kappa' N + \kappa \tau B = \lambda \xi \tag{7}$$

- $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field  $H$  if and only if

$$3\kappa \kappa' T + (\kappa^3 + \kappa \tau^2 - \kappa'') N - (2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau') B = \lambda \xi \tag{8}$$

- $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field  $H$  in the normal bundle if and only if

$$\kappa' N + \kappa \tau B = \lambda \xi \quad \text{or} \tag{9}$$

- $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field  $H$  in the normal bundle if and only if

$$(\kappa \tau^2 - \kappa'') N - (2\kappa' \tau + \kappa \tau') B = \lambda \xi, \tag{10}$$

where  $\lambda$  is a non-zero differentiable function along the curve  $\gamma$ .

An almost contact manifold is defined by  $(2n + 1)$ -dimensional differentiable manifold  $M$  satisfying its structural group  $GL_{2n+1}\mathbb{R}$  of linear frame bundle is reducible to  $U(n) \times \{1\}$  (see [6]). This gives us a following crucial identities:

$$\phi^2 = -I + \eta \otimes \xi, \eta(\xi) = 1 \tag{11}$$

$$\phi \xi = 0, \eta \circ \phi = 0, \eta(X) = g(X, \xi) \tag{12}$$

$$g(\phi X, \phi Y) = g(X, Y) - \eta(X)\eta(Y), g(X, \phi Y) = -g(\phi X, Y), \tag{13}$$

for any vector fields  $X, Y \in \chi(M)$  where  $I$  is the identity of the tangent bundle  $TM$ ,  $\phi$  is a tensor field of  $(1, 1)$ -type,  $\eta$  is a 1-form,  $\xi$  is a vector field and  $g$  is a metric tensor field (see [1]).

An almost contact metric manifold  $M^{2n+1}(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is said to be a trans-sasakian manifold if  $(M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}; J; G)$  belongs to the class  $W_4$  of the Hermitian manifolds, where  $J$  is the almost complex structures on  $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$  defined by,  $J(Z, f \frac{d}{dt}) = (\phi Z - f\xi, \eta(Z) \frac{d}{dt})$ ; where the pair  $J(Z, f \frac{d}{dt})$  denotes a tangent vector to  $(M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R})$ .  $Z$  and  $f \frac{d}{dt}$  being tangent to  $M^{2n+1}(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  are said to be normal if the structure  $J$  is integrable. The necessary and sufficient condition for  $(\phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  to be normal is

$$[\phi, \phi] + 2\xi \otimes \eta = 0,$$

where  $[\phi, \phi]$  is the Nijenhuis torsion of  $\phi$  defined by

$$[\phi, \phi](X, Y) = [\phi X, \phi Y] + \phi^2[X, Y] - \phi[\phi X, Y] - \phi[X, \phi Y],$$

for any vector field  $Z$  on  $M^{2n+1}$  and smooth function  $f$  on  $M^{2n+1} \times \mathbb{R}$ . This may be expressed by the condition

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = \alpha(g(X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)) + \beta(g(\phi X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\phi X),$$

for smooth function  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  on  $M^{2n+1}$ .

We say that  $(M, \phi, \xi, \eta, g)$  is an Kenmotsu manifold if the covariant differentiation of  $\phi$  satisfies [10]:

$$(\nabla_X \phi)(Y) = g(\phi X, Y)\xi - \eta(Y)\phi X, \tag{14}$$

For an Kenmotsu manifold from (2.2) it follows that

$$\nabla_X \xi = X - \eta(X)\xi \tag{15}$$

In a three dimensional Riemannian manifold, we always have

$$R(X, Y)Z = g(Y, Z)QX - g(X, Z)QY + S(Y, Z)X - S(X, Z)Y - \frac{r}{2}g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y,$$

In a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold, we have [14]

$$\begin{aligned}
R(X, Y)Z &= \left(\frac{r}{2} + 2\right)(g(Y, Z)X - g(X, Z)Y) \\
&\quad - \left(\frac{r}{2} + 3\right)\left\{\eta(X)(g(Y, Z)\xi - g(\xi, Z)Y)\right. \\
&\quad \left. + \eta(Y)(g(\xi, Z)X - g(X, Z)\xi)\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$S(X, Y) = \left(\frac{r}{2} + 2\right)g(Y, Z)X - \left(\frac{r}{2} + 3\right)\eta(X)\eta(Y),$$

where  $r$  is a scalar curvature of  $M$ .

From (2.5), we obtain

$$R(X, Y)\xi = -[\eta(Y)X - \eta(X)Y],$$

and (2.11) yields

$$S(X, \xi) = -\eta(X).$$

### 3. Legendre Curves with $C$ -parallel and $C$ -proper mean curvature vector fields in the tangent and normal bundles

**Definition.** A unit speed curve  $\gamma$  on a smooth manifold is called Legendre curve if it satisfies  $\eta(T) = 0$ .

Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic Legendre curve of osculating order 3 in a Kenmotsu manifold. By using the definition of a Legendre curve, we obtain

$$\eta(T) = 0. \tag{16}$$

$$\eta(N) = -\frac{1}{\kappa}. \tag{17}$$

**Theorem 3.1.** There does not exist a non-geodesic Legendre curve  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  of osculating order 3, which has  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field in a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold  $M$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma$  be a curve with  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field. Then (7) it follows that

$$-\kappa^2 T + \kappa' N + \kappa \tau B = \lambda \xi.$$

Taking inner product of the foregoing equation with  $T$ , we have

$$\kappa = 0.$$

Therefore  $\gamma$  is a geodesic. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic Legendre curve of osculating order 3 in a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold. Then  $\gamma$  has  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle if and only if

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa &\neq \text{constant}, \\ \tau^2 &= \frac{\kappa'^2}{\kappa^2}(\kappa^2 - 1), \\ \xi &= -\frac{1}{\kappa}N - \frac{\tau}{\kappa'}B, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\lambda = -\kappa\kappa'.$$

*Proof.* If

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

then from (9), we get

$$\kappa'N + \kappa\tau B = \lambda\xi. \tag{18}$$

Then taking the inner product of (18) with  $N$ , we have

$$\kappa' = \lambda\eta(N). \tag{19}$$

Using (17) in (19) and keeping in mind that  $\kappa \neq 0$ , as  $\gamma$  is non-geodesic. We get

$$\kappa' = \lambda\left(-\frac{1}{\kappa}\right),$$

and hence

$$\kappa'\kappa = -\lambda. \tag{20}$$

Again taking inner product of (18) with  $B$ , we obtain

$$\kappa\tau = \lambda\eta(B),$$

It follows that

$$\eta(B) = \frac{\kappa\tau}{-\kappa\kappa'} = -\frac{\tau}{\kappa'}. \tag{21}$$

Since  $\xi \in \text{span}\{N, B\}$ , then

$$\xi = \eta(N)N + \eta(B)B.$$

Using (17) and (21), we get

$$\xi = \left(-\frac{1}{\kappa}\right)N + \left(-\frac{\tau}{\kappa'}\right)B.$$

Also taking inner product of (18) with  $\xi$ , we have

$$\kappa'\eta(N) + \kappa\tau\eta(B) = \lambda.$$

Using (17) and (21) in the foregoing equation, we obtain

$$\kappa' \left(-\frac{1}{\kappa}\right) + \kappa \tau \left(-\frac{\tau}{\kappa'}\right) = -\kappa \kappa'.$$

Therefore

$$\tau^2 = \frac{\kappa'^2}{\kappa^2} (\kappa^2 - 1).$$

If  $\kappa$  is constant, then from (20) we have

$$\lambda = 0,$$

which is a contradiction, as  $\lambda$  is non-zero differential function.

The converse statement is trivial. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic Legendre curve of osculating order 3 in a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold. Then  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field if and only if

$$\kappa = \text{constant},$$

$$\lambda = -\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2),$$

$$\xi = -\frac{1}{\kappa}N + \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)},$$

and

$$\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)^2 + (2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau')^2 = \kappa^4(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)^2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma$  be a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field. Taking inner product of (8) with  $T$ , we have

$$\kappa \kappa' = 0.$$

Since  $\gamma$  is not geodesic (that is,  $\kappa \neq 0$ ), we get

$$\kappa' = 0, \tag{22}$$

which implies that  $\kappa$  is constant.

Again taking inner product of (8) with  $N$ , we have

$$\kappa^3 + \kappa\tau^2 - \kappa'' = \lambda\eta(N). \tag{23}$$

Then using (17) and (22) in (23), we get

$$\lambda = -\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2). \tag{24}$$

Also taking inner product of (8) with  $B$  and using (24), yields

$$\eta(B) = \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)}. \tag{25}$$

Since  $\xi \in \text{span}\{N, B\}$ , we obtain

$$\xi = -\frac{1}{\kappa}N + \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)}B.$$



Since  $\xi$  is a unit vector, we have

$$\eta(N)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1. \tag{26}$$

Using (17) and (25) in (26), we get

$$\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)^2 + (2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau')^2 = \kappa^4(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)^2. \tag{27}$$

The converse statement is trivial.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic Legendre curve of osculating order 3 in a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold. Then  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle if and only if

$$\lambda = \kappa(\kappa'' - \kappa\tau^2),$$

$$\xi = \left(-\frac{1}{\kappa}\right)N + \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda}B,$$

and

$$\eta(N)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle. Therefore from (10), we have

$$(\kappa\tau^2 - \kappa'')N - (2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau')B = \lambda\xi,$$

Taking inner product of the foregoing equation with  $N$ , we have

$$\kappa\tau^2 - \kappa'' = \lambda\eta(N). \tag{28}$$

Using (17) in (28) yields

$$\lambda = \kappa(\kappa'' - \kappa\tau^2).$$

Again taking inner product of (10) with  $B$ , we get

$$\eta(B) = -\frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda}.$$

Since  $\xi \in \text{span}\{N, B\}$ , we obtain

$$\xi = -\frac{1}{\kappa}N + \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda}B.$$

Since  $\xi$  is a unit vector. Then

$$\eta(N)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1.$$

$\square$

The converse statement is trivial. This completes the proof of the theorem.

#### 4. Magnetic curves with $C$ -parallel and $C$ -proper mean curvature vector fields in the tangent and normal bundles

**Definition.** A unit speed curve  $\gamma$  on a smooth manifold is called magnetic curve with respect to Levi-Civita connection if it satisfies  $\nabla_T T = \phi T$ .

Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic magnetic curve of osculating order 3 in a three dimensional Kenmotsu contact metric manifold. From the definition of a magnetic curve, we obtain

$$\eta(T) = \sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}. \quad (29)$$

$$\eta(N) = 0. \quad (30)$$

$$\eta(B) = -\frac{\kappa\sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}}{\tau}. \quad (31)$$

If  $\kappa = 1$ , then the curve is Legendre curve. We already discussed Legendre curves with  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field and  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field in the previous Section. Therefore for the next section, we consider  $\kappa \neq \pm 1$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic magnetic curve with curvature  $\kappa \neq \pm 1$  of osculating order 3 in a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold. Then  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field if and only if

$$\kappa = \text{constant},$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{\kappa^2}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}},$$

$$\xi = \sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}T + \frac{\kappa\tau}{\lambda}B,$$

and

$$\eta(T)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1.$$

*Proof.* Taking inner product of (7) with  $N$  and using (30), we get

$$\kappa' = 0.$$

This implies

$$\kappa = \text{constant}. \quad (32)$$

Again taking inner product of (7) with  $T$  and using (29), we have

$$\lambda = -\frac{\kappa^2}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}}. \quad (33)$$

Also taking inner product of (7) with  $\xi$ , we obtain

$$\eta(B) = \frac{\kappa\tau}{\lambda}. \quad (34)$$

Since  $\xi \in \text{span}\{T, B\}$  and using (29) and (34), we get

$$\xi = \sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}T + \frac{\kappa\tau}{\lambda}B. \tag{35}$$

Since  $\xi$  is a unit vector. Then

$$\eta(T)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1. \tag{36}$$

The converse of the theorem is trivial. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  be a non-geodesic magnetic curve with curvature  $\kappa \neq \pm 1$  of osculating order 3 in a three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold. Then  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field if and only if

$$\kappa'' = \kappa(\kappa^2 + \tau^2), \tag{37}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{3\kappa\kappa'}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}}, \tag{38}$$

$$\xi = \frac{3\kappa\kappa'}{\lambda}T - \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda}B, \tag{39}$$

and

$$\eta(T)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1. \tag{40}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma$  be a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field. Taking inner product of (8) with  $N$ , we get

$$\kappa'' = \kappa(\kappa^2 + \tau^2).$$

Again taking inner product of (8) with  $T$ , we have

$$\eta(T) = \frac{3\kappa\kappa'}{\lambda}. \tag{41}$$

Using (29) in (41) yields

$$\lambda = \frac{3\kappa\kappa'}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa^2}}.$$

Also taking inner product of (8) with  $B$ , we obtain

$$\eta(B) = -\frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda}. \tag{42}$$

Since  $\xi \in \text{span}\{T, B\}$  and using (41) and (42), we have

$$\xi = \frac{3\kappa\kappa'}{\lambda}T - \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda}B.$$

Since  $\xi$  is a unit vector. Thus

$$\eta(T)^2 + \eta(B)^2 = 1.$$

The converse of the theorem is trivial. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** There does not exist a non-geodesic magnetic curve  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  of osculating order 3 in three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold with  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle.

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma$  have  $C$ -parallel mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle. Taking inner product with  $T$ , we get

$$\eta(T) = 0.$$

Therefore the curve is Legendre curve. Again from (29), we have

$$\kappa = \pm 1. \quad (43)$$

Using (43) in (31) yields

$$\eta(B) = 0. \quad (44)$$

Taking inner product of (9) with  $\xi$  and using (44), we get

$$\lambda = 0,$$

which is a contradiction, as  $\lambda$  is non-zero differential function. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.4.** There does not exist a non-geodesic magnetic curve  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow M$  of osculating order 3 in three dimensional Kenmotsu manifold with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle.

*Proof.* If possible, let  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field in the normal bundle. Taking inner product of (10) with  $N$ , we get

$$\kappa'' = \kappa\tau^2. \quad (45)$$

Again taking inner product of (10) with  $B$ , we have

$$\eta(B) = -\frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\lambda} \quad (46)$$

Also taking inner product of (10) with  $T$ , we obtain

$$\eta(T) = 0. \quad (47)$$

Then from (29) and (47) we have

$$\kappa = \pm 1. \quad (48)$$

Using (45),(46) and (48) it follows that

$$\eta(B) = 0. \quad (49)$$

Taking inner product of (10) with  $\xi$  and using (49) and (30) we get

$$\lambda = 0,$$

which is a contradiction. This completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$

**5. Example**

Let us consider the 3-dimensional manifold  $M = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : (x, y, z) \neq (0, 0, 0)\}$ , where  $(x, y, z)$  are the standard coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . The vector fields

$$E_1 = e^{-z} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad E_2 = e^{-z} \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad E_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z},$$

are linearly independent at each point of  $M$ . Let  $g$  be the metric defined by

$$g(E_i, E_j) = 1 \quad \text{for } i = j, \\ = 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq j.$$

Here  $i$  and  $j$  runs from 1 to 3. Let  $\eta$  be the 1-form defined by  $\eta(Z) = g(Z, E_3)$ , for any vector field  $Z$  tangent to  $M$ . Let  $\phi$  be the (1, 1) tensor field defined by

$$\phi E_1 = -E_2, \quad \phi E_2 = E_1, \quad \phi E_3 = 0.$$

Then we have

$$[E_1, E_2] = 0, \quad [E_1, E_3] = E_1, \quad [E_2, E_3] = E_2,$$

From Koszul's formula, the Riemannian connection we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{E_1} E_1 &= -E_3, & \nabla_{E_1} E_2 &= 0, & \nabla_{E_1} E_3 &= E_1, \\ \nabla_{E_2} E_1 &= 0, & \nabla_{E_2} E_2 &= -E_3, & \nabla_{E_2} E_3 &= E_2, \\ \nabla_{E_3} E_1 &= 0, & \nabla_{E_3} E_2 &= 0, & \nabla_{E_3} E_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\nabla_X \xi = X - \eta(X)\xi$$

is satisfied for  $\xi = E_3$ . Hence the manifold is a Kenmotsu manifold [5].

Consider the curve  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M = \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $\gamma(s) = (\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}s, \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}s, 1)$ .

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} g(\dot{\gamma}, E_3) &= \eta(\dot{\gamma}) \\ &= g\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}E_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}E_2, E_3\right) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{50}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} g(\dot{\gamma}, \dot{\gamma}) &= g\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}E_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}E_2, \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}E_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}E_2\right) \\ &= 1. \end{aligned} \tag{51}$$

Therefore the curve  $\gamma$  is Legendre curve.  
Then by simple calculations

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_T T = \nabla_{\dot{\gamma}} \dot{\gamma} &= \nabla_{(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}E_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}E_2)} \left( \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}E_1 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}E_2 \right) \\ &= -E_3.\end{aligned}\tag{52}$$

Therefore the curvature  $\kappa$  is given by

$$\kappa = |\nabla_T T| = 1, \quad N = \frac{1}{\kappa} \nabla_T T = -E_3.\tag{53}$$

Then

$$B = T \times N = -\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}E_1 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}E_2.\tag{54}$$

Thus by simple calculations the torsion of the curve  $\gamma$  is  $\tau = 0$ . Hence curve  $\gamma$  satisfies

$$3\kappa\kappa'T + (\kappa^3 + \kappa\tau^2 - \kappa'')N - (2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau')B = -E_3 = (-1)\xi, \text{ for } \lambda = -1.\tag{55}$$

Moreover, the following equations hold:

$$\begin{aligned}\kappa &= 1 = \text{constant}, \\ \lambda &= -1 = -\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2), \\ \xi &= -\frac{1}{\kappa}N + \frac{2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau'}{\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)}B\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\kappa^2(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)^2 + (2\kappa'\tau + \kappa\tau')^2 = \kappa^4(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)^2.$$

Therefore  $\gamma$  is a curve with  $C$ -proper mean curvature vector field. Thus the theorem 3.3 is verified.

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