

## THE VECTORS WHICH FORM CONSTANT ANGLES WITH THE FRENET VECTORS

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### SUMMARY

*In this work, we first, give the following proposition; if the first Frenet Vectors of a curve in  $E^5$  form a constant angle with the direction of a vector  $E$ , then*

$$\left[ \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( -\frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' \right] \right]' + \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \left( -\frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' = 0$$

*and conversly, if this relation is fulfilled, then the first Frenet Vectors of the curve form a constant angle with the direction of some vector, where  $t_{ij}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq 5$ , are the higher curvatures of the curve. Further, we may write this vector and the angle as the following;*

$$E = X_1 + \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} X_3 + \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( -\frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' X_4 + \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( -\frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' \right] X_5$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{|E|} = \text{constant}$$

*where  $\theta$  is the agnle between  $X_1$  and  $E$ .*

*Using the fifth Frenet vectors, we give a similar proposition.*

*In the special case we present some useful examples.*

### ÖZET

*Bu makalede ilk olarak, aşağıdaki önermeyi verdik.*

*$E^5$  de bir eğrinin birinci Frenet Vektörleri bir  $E$  vektörü ile sabit bir açı yapıyorsa*

$$\left[ \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( -\frac{t_{12}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \right] \right]' + \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \left( -\frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' = 0 \text{ olur.}$$

*Karşıt olarak, bu bağıntı gerçekleştiğinde, bu eğrinin birinci Frenet Vektörleri bir vektör yönü ile sabit bir açı yapar. Bundan ziyade, bu vektörü ve açısını,*

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$$E = X_1 + \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} X_3 + \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' X_4 + \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12} t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' X_5$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{|E|} = \text{constant}$$

biçiminde yazabiliriz. Burada  $\theta$ ,  $X$  ve  $E$  arasındaki açıdır.

Beşinci Frenet vektörlerini kullanarak benzer bir önerme sunduk.

Özel durumda yararlı bazı örnekler sunduk.

## 0. INTRODUCTION

We first, give a proposition of the expression of a tangent vector to  $E^n$ . Our notation and terminology may be found in<sup>1</sup> and<sup>2</sup>

In the theory of Differential Geometry, the concept of higher curvatures of curves in Euclidean Space was given by GLUCK<sup>3</sup> and<sup>4</sup>. Recently, we use the Higher curvatures in our studies of many branches of Differential Geometry<sup>4</sup> and<sup>5</sup>.

The purpose of this manuscript, is to express some preliminaries about Differential Geometry, and show the basic properties of the vector which forms a constant angle with the direction of a Frenet Vector.

## 1. PRELIMINARIES

PROPOSITION 1.1. Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  be a frame at a point  $P$  of  $E^n$ . If  $V$  is any tangent vector to  $E^n$  at  $P$ , then

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle V, e_i \rangle e_i$$

where  $\langle, \rangle$  denotes the inner product (dot product). A more detailed discussion of this proposition may be found in<sup>1</sup> and<sup>2</sup>.

PROPOSITION 1.2. Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5$  be the positive oriented orthonormal frame at each point of a curve  $a$  in  $E^5$ , where

$$X_1 = \alpha_* \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right), \text{ and } \frac{dX_1}{ds} = dX_1 \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \right) \neq 0.$$

Then, we have the Frenet Formulas

$$X'_i(s) = -t_{i-1}(s) X_{i-1}(s) + t_i(s) X_{i+1}(s), \quad 2 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$X'_5(s) = -t_{45}(s) X_4(s)$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} X'_1 \\ X'_2 \\ X'_3 \\ X'_4 \\ X'_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t_{12} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -t_{12} & 0 & t_{23} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -t_{23} & 0 & t_{34} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -t_{34} & 0 & t_{45} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -t_{45} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \\ X_4 \\ X_5 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $t_{ij} : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . A detailed knowledge of this proposition may be found in<sup>3</sup>.

DEFINITION 1.3. Using the above notation, the coefficients  $t_{ij}$  are called the higher curvatures of the curve  $\alpha$  in  $E^5$ <sup>3</sup>.

## 2. THE MAIN RESULTS

PROPOSITION 2.1. If the first principal vectors of a curve form a constant angle with the direction of a vector  $E$ , then

$$\left[ \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' \right] \right]' + \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' = 0$$

and vonversly, if this relation is fulfilled, then the first principal vectors of the curve form a constant angle with the direction of some vector. Further, we may write this vector and the angle as the following,

$$E = X_1 + \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} X_3 + \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' X_4 + \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' \right] X_5$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{|E|} = \text{Constant}$$

where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $X_1$  and  $E$ .

PROOF. We may write

$$\langle E, X_1 \rangle = C$$

where  $C$  is a real number. By differentiating, we have

$$t_{12} \langle E, X_2 \rangle = 0$$

or

$$\langle E, X_2 \rangle = 0$$

In the same pay, we obtain

$$-t_{12} \langle E, X_1 \rangle + t_{23} \langle E, X_3 \rangle = 0$$

or

$$\langle E, X_3 \rangle = C \cdot \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}}$$

Differentiating again, we have

$$-t_{23} \langle E, X_2 \rangle + t_{34} \langle E, X_4 \rangle = C \cdot \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)'$$

or

$$\langle E, X_4 \rangle = C \cdot \frac{1}{t_{34}} \cdot \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)'$$

Differentiating once again, we have

$$-t_{23} \langle E, X_3 \rangle + t_{45} \langle E, X_5 \rangle = C \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]'$$

or

$$\langle E, X_5 \rangle = C \cdot \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' \right]$$

Finally, in the same way, we obtain

$$\left[ \frac{1}{t_{45}} \left[ \frac{t_{12}t_{34}}{t_{23}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' \right]' \right]' \right]' + \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \left( \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \right)' = 0$$

Conversely, if the relation is held, then this vector is constant. The constant vector  $E$  forms with the vector  $X_1$  an angle whose cosine equals  $1/|E| = \text{constant}$ . Without loss generality, we may assume that  $C = 1$ . Hence, we have proved the proposition.

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** If the fifth Frenet Vectors of a curve in  $E^5$  form a constant angle with the direction of a vector  $\tilde{E}$ , then

$$\left[ \frac{1}{t_{12}} \left[ \frac{t_{23}t_{45}}{t_{34}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \right]' \right]' + \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' = 0$$

and conversely, if this relation is fulfilled, then the fifth Frenet Vectors of the curve form a constant angle with the direction of some vector. Further, we may express this vector and the angle as the following,

$$E = \frac{1}{t_{12}} \left[ \frac{t_{23}t_{45}}{t_{34}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \right] X_1 - \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' X_2 + \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} X_3 + X_5$$

$$\cos \tilde{\theta} = \frac{1}{|\tilde{E}|} = \text{constant}$$

where  $\tilde{\theta}$  is the angle between  $X_5$  and  $\tilde{E}$ .

**PROOF.** Consider,

$$\langle \tilde{E}, X_5 \rangle = C$$

where  $C$  is a real number. Hence, we have

$$-t_{45} \langle \tilde{E}, X_5 \rangle = 0$$

or

$$\langle \tilde{E}, X_4 \rangle = 0$$

Differentiating, we have

$$-t_{34} \langle \tilde{E}, X_3 \rangle + t_{45} \langle \tilde{E}, X_5 \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \tilde{E}, X_3 \rangle = C \cdot \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}}$$

Differentiating again, we obtain

$$-t_{23} \langle E, X_2 \rangle + t_{34} \langle \tilde{E}, X_4 \rangle = C \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)'$$

or

$$\langle \tilde{E}, X_2 \rangle = -C \cdot \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)'$$

Differentiating again, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} -t_{12} \langle \tilde{E}, X_1 \rangle + t_{23} \langle \tilde{E}, X_3 \rangle &= -C \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \\ \langle \tilde{E}, X_1 \rangle &= \frac{C}{t_{12}} \left[ \frac{t_{23} t_{45}}{t_{34}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \right] \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating once again, we obtain

$$t_{12} \langle \tilde{E}, X_2 \rangle = C \left[ \frac{1}{t_{12}} \left[ \frac{t_{23} t_{45}}{t_{34}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \right] \right]'$$

or

$$\left[ \frac{1}{t_{12}} \left[ \frac{t_{23} t_{45}}{t_{34}} + \left[ \frac{1}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' \right]' \right] \right]' + \frac{t_{12}}{t_{23}} \left( \frac{t_{45}}{t_{34}} \right)' = 0$$

Conversly, if the relation is held, then this vector is constant. This constant vector  $E$  forms with the vector  $X_5$  an angle whose cosine equals  $1/|E| = \text{constant}$ . Without loss generality, we may assume that  $C = 1$ . These results complete the proof of our proposition.

We can say similar results for the Frenet Vectors  $X_2, X_3, X_4$ .

It is clear that the results which we have found above may be written again using the higher curvatures of curves in Euclidean Space  $E^n$ .

In the special case we have the following results:

If the first Frenet Vectors of a curve in  $E^3$  form a constant angle with the direction of a vector  $e$ , then

$$\left( \frac{\tau}{\kappa} \right)' = 0$$

and conversly, if this relation is fulfilled, then the first Frenet Vectors of the curve form a constant angle with the direction of some vector. Further, we may express this vector and the angle as following,

$$e = X_1 + \frac{\kappa}{\tau} X_3$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{|e|}$$

where  $\theta$  is the angle between  $X_1$  and  $e$

If the principal normals of a curve form a constant angle with the direction of a vector  $\tilde{e}$ , then

$$\left[ \frac{\kappa^2 + \tau^2}{\kappa \left( \frac{\tau}{\kappa} \right)'} \right]' + \tau = 0$$



conversly, if this relation is fulfilled, then the principal normals of the curve form a constant angle with the direction of some vector. We can express this vector by

$$\tilde{e} = \frac{\tau}{k^2} \frac{k^2 + \tau^2}{\left(\frac{\tau}{k}\right)'} X_1 + X_2 + \frac{1}{k} \frac{k^2 + \tau^2}{\left(\frac{\tau}{k}\right)'} X_3$$

This constant vector  $\tilde{e}$  forms with the vector  $X_2$  an angle whose cosine equals  $1/|\tilde{e}| = \text{constant}$ .

If the binormals of a curve form a constant angle with the direction of a vector  $\tilde{e}$ , then

$$\left(\frac{\tau}{k}\right)' = 0$$

conversly, if this relation is fulfilled, then the binormals of the curve form a constant angle with the direction of some vector. We can express this vector by

$$\tilde{e} = \frac{\tau}{k} X_1 + X_3$$

This constant vector  $\tilde{e}$  forms with the vector  $X_3$  an angle whose cosine equals  $1/|\tilde{e}| = \text{constant}$ .

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