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## Frenet curves in 3-dimensional $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans Sasakian manifolds

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we give some characterizations of Frenet curves in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifolds. We compute the Frenet equations and Frenet elements of these curves. We also obtain the curvatures of non-geodesic Frenet curves on 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifolds. Finally, we give some results for these curves.

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### 1. Introduction

The differential geometry of curves especially in contact and para-contact manifolds studied by several authors. Olszak [16], derived certain necessary and sufficient conditions for an almost contact metric (a.c.m) structure on  $M$  to be normal and point out some of their consequences. Olszak completely characterized the local nature of normal a.c.m. structures on  $M$  by giving suitable examples. Moreover Olszak gave some restrictions on the scalar curvature in contact metric manifolds which are conformally flat or of constant  $\phi$ -sectional curvature in [15].

Welyczko [21], generalized some of results for Legendre curves to the case of 3-dimensional normal almost contact metric manifolds, especially, quasi-Sasakian manifolds. Welyczko [20], studied the curvature and torsion of slant Frenet curves in 3-dimensional normal almost paracontact metric manifolds.

Curvature and torsion of Legendre curves in 3-dimensional  $(\varepsilon, \delta)$  trans-Sasakian manifolds was obtained in [1]. Lee defined Lorentzian cross product in a three-dimensional almost contact Lorentzian manifold. Using a Lorentzian cross product, Lee proved that the ratio of  $\kappa$  and  $\tau-1$  is constant along a Frenet slant curve in a Sasakian Lorentzian three-manifold. Moreover, Lee proved that  $\gamma$  is a slant curve if and only if  $M$  is Sasakian for a contact magnetic curve  $\gamma$  in contact Lorentzian three-manifold  $M$  in [11]. Lee, also gave the properties of the generalized Tanaka-Webster connection in a contact

Lorentzian manifold in [12].

Yldrm [22] obtained curvatures of non-geodesic Frenet curves on 3-dimensional normal almost contact manifolds without neglecting  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , and provided the results of their characterization.

Trans-Sasakian structure on a manifold with Lorentzian metric and conformally flat Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifolds was studied in [19].

Siddiki [17] studied  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifolds with a semi-symmetric-metric connection and computed curvature tensors, Ricci curvature tensors and scalar curvature of the  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold with a semi-symmetric-metric connection.

In this framework, the paper is organized in the following way. In section 2, we give basic definitions and propositions of a  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold. We give the Frenet-Serret equations of a curve in Lorentzian 3-manifold. In section 3, we obtain an orthonormal basis  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  by using the basis  $(\zeta', \varphi\zeta', \xi)$  for the curve  $\zeta$  in a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold. Also we calculate the Frenet elements of a non-geodesic Frenet curve, slant curve and Legendre curve in this manifold. Then, we give the curvatures of the curve  $\zeta$  on some kinds of  $\delta$ -Lorentzian manifolds. In the last section, we give some examples for the spacelike curves on a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold.

## 2. Materials and methods

### 2.1. $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian Manifolds

Let  $\bar{N}$  be a  $\delta$ -almost contact metric manifold equipped with  $\delta$ -almost contact metric structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g}, \delta)$  consisting of (1,1) tensor field  $\varphi$ , a vector field  $\xi$ , a 1-form  $\eta$  and an indefinite metric  $\bar{g}$  such that

$$\varphi^2 = U + \eta(U)\xi, \quad \eta(\xi) = -1, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\varphi(\xi) = 0, \quad \eta \circ \varphi = 0, \quad (2.2)$$

$$\bar{g}(\xi, \xi) = -\delta, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\eta(U) = \delta\bar{g}(U, \xi), \quad (2.4)$$

$$\bar{g}(\varphi U, \varphi V) = \bar{g}(U, V) + \delta\eta(U)\eta(V), \quad (2.5)$$

for all  $U, V \in \bar{N}$ , where  $\delta^2 = 1$  so that  $\delta = \mp 1$ . The above structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g}, \delta)$  is called the  $\delta$ -Lorentzian structure on  $\bar{N}$ . If  $\delta = 1$ , then the manifold becomes the usual Lorentzian structure [2] on  $\bar{N}$ , the vector field  $\xi$  is timelike [18].

In the classification of almost Hermitian manifolds, there appears a class  $W_4$  of Hermitian manifolds which are closely related to the conformal Kaehler manifolds [17]. The class  $C_6 \oplus C_5$  coincides with the class of trans-Sasakian structure of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  [13]. In fact, the local nature of the two sub classes, namely  $C_6$  and  $C_5$  of trans-Sasakian structures are characterized completely. An almost contact metric structure on  $\bar{N}$  is called trans-Sasakian if  $(\bar{N} \times \mathfrak{R}, J, G)$  belongs to the class  $W_4$ , where  $J$  is the almost complex structure on  $\bar{N} \times \mathfrak{R}$  defined by

$$J(U, f \frac{d}{dt}) = \left( \varphi U - f\xi, \eta(U) \frac{d}{dt} \right), \quad (2.6)$$

for all vector fields  $U$  on  $\bar{N}$  and smooth functions  $f$  on  $\bar{N} \times \mathfrak{R}$  and  $G$  is the product metric on  $\bar{N} \times \mathfrak{R}$ . This may be expressed by the condition

$$(\nabla_U \varphi)V = \alpha(\bar{g}(U, V)\xi - \eta(V)U) + \beta(\bar{g}(\varphi U, V)\xi - \eta(V)\varphi U), \quad (2.7)$$

for any vector fields  $U$  and  $V$  on  $\bar{N}$ ,  $\nabla$  denotes the Levi-Civita connection with respect to  $\bar{g}$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are smooth functions on  $\bar{N}$  [17]. The existence of condition (2.3) is ensured by the above discussion.

With the above literature, the  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifolds are defined as follows.

**Definition 2.1.** [2] A  $\delta$ -Lorentzian manifold with structure  $(\varphi, \xi, \eta, \bar{g}, \delta)$  is said to be  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  if it satisfies the condition

$$(\nabla_U \varphi)V = \alpha(\bar{g}(U, V)\xi - \delta\eta(V)U) + \beta(\bar{g}(\varphi U, V)\xi - \delta\eta(V)\varphi U), \quad (2.8)$$

for any vector fields  $U$  and  $V$  on  $\bar{N}$ .

If  $\delta = 1$ , then the  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold becomes the usual Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold of type  $(\alpha, \beta)$  [17].  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold of type  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(0, \beta)$ ,  $(\alpha, 0)$  are the Lorentzian cosymplectic, Lorentzian  $\beta$ -Kenmotsu and Lorentzian  $\alpha$ -Sasakian manifolds respectively. In particular if  $\alpha = 1, \beta = 0$  and  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$ , a  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold reduces to a  $\delta$ -Lorentzian Sasakian manifold and a  $\delta$ -Lorentzian Kenmotsu manifold respectively.

From (2.4), we have

$$\nabla_U \xi = \delta(-\alpha\varphi(U) - \beta(U + \eta(U)\xi)), \quad (2.9)$$

and

$$(\nabla_U \eta)V = \alpha\bar{g}(\varphi U, V) + \beta[\bar{g}(U, V) + \delta\eta(U)\eta(V)]. \quad (2.10)$$

Further for a  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold, we have

$$\delta\varphi(\text{grad}\alpha) = \delta(n - 2)(\text{grad}\beta), \quad (2.11)$$

and

$$2\alpha\beta - \delta(\xi\alpha) = 0. \quad (2.12)$$

## 2.2. Frenet curves

Let  $\zeta : I \rightarrow \bar{N}$  be a unit speed curve in Lorentzian 3-manifold  $\bar{N}$  such that  $\bar{g}(\zeta', \zeta') = \varepsilon_1 = \mp 1$ . The constant  $\varepsilon_1$  is called the casual character of  $\zeta$ . The constants  $\varepsilon_2$  and  $\varepsilon_3$  defined by  $\bar{g}(n, n) = \varepsilon_2$  and  $\bar{g}(b, b) = \varepsilon_3$  and called the second casual character and third casual character of  $\zeta$ , respectively. Thus we have  $\varepsilon_1\varepsilon_2 = -\varepsilon_3$ .

A unit speed curve  $\zeta$  is said to be spacelike or timelike if its casual character is 1 or -1, respectively. A unit speed curve  $\zeta$  is said to be a Frenet curve if  $\bar{g}(\zeta', \zeta') \neq 0$ . A Frenet curve  $\zeta$  admits an orthonormal frame field  $\{t = \zeta', n, b\}$  along  $\zeta$ . Then the Frenet-Serret equations are given as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\zeta'} t &= \varepsilon_2 \kappa n, \\ \nabla_{\zeta'} n &= -\varepsilon_1 \kappa t - \varepsilon_3 \tau b, \\ \nabla_{\zeta'} b &= \varepsilon_2 \tau n, \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

where  $\kappa = |\nabla_{\zeta'} \zeta'|$  is first curvature and  $\tau$  is second curvature of  $\zeta$  [11]. The vector fields  $t$ ,  $n$  and  $b$  are called the tangent vector field, the principal normal vector field and the binormal vector field of  $\zeta$ , respectively.

A Frenet curve  $\zeta$  is a geodesic if and only if  $\kappa = 0$ . A Frenet curve  $\zeta$  with constant first curvature and zero second curvature is called a pseudo-circle. A pseudo-helix is a Frenet curve  $\zeta$  whose curvatures are constant.

A curve in a Lorentzian three-manifold is said to be slant if its tangent vector field has constant angle with the Reeb vector field, i.e.,  $\eta(\zeta') = -\bar{g}(\zeta', \xi) = \text{constant}$ . If  $\eta(\zeta') = -\bar{g}(\zeta', \xi) = 0$ , then the curve  $\zeta$  is called a Legendre curve [11].

### 3. Main results

In this section, we consider a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . Let  $\zeta : I \rightarrow \bar{N}$  be a non-geodesic ( $\kappa \neq 0$ ) Frenet curve given with the arc-parameter  $s$  and  $\bar{\nabla}$  be the Levi-Civita connection on  $\bar{N}$ . From the basis  $(\zeta', \varphi\zeta', \xi)$  we obtain an orthonormal basis  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &= \zeta', \\ e_2 &= \frac{\varphi\zeta'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}}, \\ e_3 &= \frac{-\varepsilon_1\xi + \delta\rho\zeta'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where

$$\eta(\zeta') = \delta\bar{g}(\zeta', \xi) = \delta\rho. \quad (3.2)$$

Then if we write the covariant differentiation of  $\zeta'$  as

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_1 = \nu e_2 + \mu e_3, \quad (3.3)$$

where  $\nu$  is a certain function.

$$\nu = \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_1, e_2). \quad (3.4)$$

Moreover we obtain

$$\mu = \bar{g}(\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_1, e_3) = \frac{\delta\rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} - \varepsilon_1\delta\beta\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}, \quad (3.5)$$

where  $\rho'(s) = \frac{d\rho(\zeta(s))}{ds}$ . Then we find

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_2 = -\nu e_1 + \delta\left(-\varepsilon_1\alpha + \frac{\rho\nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}}\right) e_3, \quad (3.6)$$

and

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_3 = -\mu e_1 - \delta\left(-\varepsilon_1\alpha + \frac{\rho\nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}}\right) e_2. \quad (3.7)$$

The fundamental forms of the tangent vector  $\zeta'$  on the basis of the Eq (3.1) is

$$[\omega_{ij}(\zeta')] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \nu & \mu \\ -\nu & 0 & \delta \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho\nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} \right) \\ -\mu & -\delta \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho\nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} \right) & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{3.8}$$

and the Darboux vector connected to the vector  $\zeta'$  is

$$\omega(\zeta') = \delta \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho\nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} \right) e_1 - \mu e_2 + \nu e_3. \tag{3.9}$$

So we can write

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_i = \omega(\zeta') \wedge \varepsilon_i e_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq 3). \tag{3.10}$$

Furthermore, for any vector field  $Z = \sum_{i=1}^3 \theta^i e_i \in \chi(\bar{N})$  strictly dependent on the curve  $\zeta$  on  $\bar{N}$ , there exists the following equation

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} Z = \omega(\zeta') \wedge Z + \delta \sum_{i=1}^3 \varepsilon_i e_i [\theta^i] e_i. \tag{3.11}$$

### 3.1. Frenet elements of $\zeta$

Let  $\zeta : I \rightarrow \bar{N}$  be a non-geodesic ( $\kappa \neq 0$ ) Frenet curve given with the arc parameter  $s$  and the elements  $\{t, n, b, \kappa, \tau\}$ . The Frenet elements of this curve are calculated as follows:

If we consider the Eq (3.3), then we get

$$\varepsilon_2 \kappa n = \bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_1 = \nu e_2 + \mu e_3. \tag{3.12}$$

From the Eqs (3.5) and (3.12) we find

$$\kappa = \sqrt{\nu^2 + \left( \frac{\delta\rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} - \varepsilon_1 \delta\beta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2} \right)^2}. \tag{3.13}$$

On the other hand

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} n = \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' e_2 + \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_2 + \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' e_3 + \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \bar{\nabla}_{\zeta'} e_3 \tag{3.14}$$

$$= -\varepsilon_1 \kappa t - \varepsilon_3 \tau B. \tag{3.15}$$

By means of the Eqs (3.6) and (3.7) we obtain

$$-\varepsilon_3 \tau B = \left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' - \frac{\delta\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho\nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} \right) \right] e_2 \tag{3.16}$$

$$+ \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' + \frac{\delta \nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} \right) \right] e_3.$$

By a direct computation we find

$$\left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2 = \left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} - \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2. \tag{3.17}$$

Taking the norm of the last equation and if we consider the Eqs (3.5) and (3.16) on (3.15) we obtain

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} \right) - \sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2}}{\sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2}} \right|. \tag{3.18}$$

Moreover we can write the Frenet vector fields of  $\zeta$  as in the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold and  $\zeta$  be a Frenet curve on  $\bar{N}$ . The Frenet vector fields  $t, n$  and  $b$  are in the form of*

$$\begin{aligned} t &= \zeta' = e_1, \\ n &= \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} e_2 + \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} e_3, \\ b &= -\frac{1}{\varepsilon_3 \tau} \left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' - \frac{\delta \mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} \right) \right] e_2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{\varepsilon_3 \tau} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' + \frac{\delta \nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} \right) \right] e_3. \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

Moreover we have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= \delta \varepsilon_1 \rho \mathbf{t} + \frac{\delta \mu \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \mathbf{n} \\ &\quad - \frac{\delta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}{\varepsilon_3 \tau} \left[ \left( \frac{\mu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' - \frac{\delta \nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} \right) \right] \mathbf{b}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

Let  $\zeta$  be non-geodesic Frenet curve given with the arc-parameter  $s$  in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . So we can give the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold and  $\zeta$  be a Frenet curve on  $\bar{N}$ .  $\zeta$  is a slant curve ( $\rho = \eta(\zeta') = \cos\theta = \text{constant}$ ) on  $\bar{N}$  if and only if the Frenet elements  $\{t, n, b, \kappa, \tau\}$  of  $\zeta$  are as follows.*

$$\begin{aligned} t &= e_1 = \zeta', \\ n &= e_2 = \frac{\varphi \zeta'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b &= e_3 = \frac{-\varepsilon_1 \xi + \delta \cos \theta \zeta'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}, \\
 \kappa &= \sqrt{\beta^2(\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta) + \nu^2},
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.21}$$

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\cos \theta \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}} \right)}{-\sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{-\varepsilon_1 \delta \beta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2}} \right|.$$

*Proof.* Let the curve  $\zeta$  be a slant curve in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . If we take into account the condition  $\rho = \eta(\zeta') = \cos \theta = \text{constant}$  in the Eqs (3.1), (3.13) and (3.17) we find (3.21). If the equations in (3.21) hold, from the definition of slant curves it is obvious that the curve  $\zeta$  is a slant curve.  $\square$

If we consider the Theorem (3.1), we can give the following corollaries.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold and  $\zeta$  be a slant curve on  $\bar{N}$ . If the first curvature  $\kappa$  is non-zero constant, then  $\zeta$  is a pseudo-helix with*

$$\tau = \left| \delta \left( -\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\cos \theta \nu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}} \right) \right|.$$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold and  $\zeta$  be a slant curve on this manifold  $\bar{N}$ . If  $\kappa$  is not constant and  $\tau = 0$ , then,  $\zeta$  is a plane curve and the following equation satisfies*

$$\bar{g}(\nabla_{\zeta'} e_2, e_3) = \frac{\nu^2 \left( \frac{\beta}{\nu} \right)' \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}{\nu^2 + \beta^2(\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta)}.
 \tag{3.22}$$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold and  $\zeta$  be a spacelike Frenet curve on  $\bar{N}$ .  $\zeta$  is a Legendre curve ( $\rho = \eta(\zeta') = 0$ ) in this manifold if and only if the Frenet elements  $\{t, n, b, \kappa, \tau\}$  of  $\zeta$  satisfy the following equations:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 t &= e_1 = \zeta', \\
 n &= e_2 = \varphi \zeta', \\
 b &= e_3 = -\xi, \\
 \kappa &= \sqrt{\nu^2 + \beta^2}, \\
 \tau &= \left| \delta \alpha + \sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{\nu}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{\beta}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa} \right)' \right]^2} \right|.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.23}$$

*Proof.* Let the curve  $\zeta$  be a Legendre curve 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . If we take into account the condition  $\rho = \eta(\zeta') = 0$  in the Eqs (3.1), (3.13) and (3.17) we find (3.23). If the equations in (3.23) hold, from the definition of Legendre curves it is obvious that the curve  $\zeta$  is a Legendre curve on  $\bar{N}$ .  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** Let the curve  $\zeta$  be a Legendre curve in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . If  $\kappa$  is non-zero constant and  $\tau$  is equal to zero, then  $\zeta$  is a plane curve and  $\alpha = 0$ .

If we consider the Eqs (3.13) and (3.17) and theorem (3.1) we can give the following corollaries.

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian manifold and  $\zeta$  be a Frenet curve on this manifold  $\bar{N}$ . The first curvature of the curve  $\zeta$  is not dependent on  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

**Corollary 3.5.** From the Eqs (3.13) and (3.17) the first curvature and the second curvature of  $\zeta$  on 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian cosymplectic manifold  $\bar{N}$  are

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \left( \frac{\delta\rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} \right)^2}, \quad (3.24)$$

and

$$\tau = \left| \delta \frac{\rho v}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} - \sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{v}{\varepsilon_2\kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{\delta\rho'}{\varepsilon_2\kappa \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} \right)' \right]^2} \right|. \quad (3.25)$$

i) If the curve  $\zeta$  in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian cosymplectic manifold  $\bar{N}$  is a slant curve, then we have

$$\kappa = v \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \left| \delta \frac{v \cos\theta}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2\theta}} \right|. \quad (3.26)$$

ii) If the curve  $\zeta$  in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian cosymplectic manifold  $\bar{N}$  is a Legendre curve, then we have

$$\kappa = v \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = 0. \quad (3.27)$$

**Corollary 3.6.** Let  $\zeta$  be a curve on 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian  $\beta$ -Kenmotsu manifold  $\bar{N}$ . Then, the first and second curvatures of  $\zeta$  are

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \left( \frac{\delta\rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} - \varepsilon_1\delta\beta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2} \right)^2}, \quad (3.28)$$

and

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \frac{\rho v}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}}}{-\sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{v}{\varepsilon_2\kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{\frac{\delta\rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}} - \varepsilon_1\delta\beta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta\rho^2}}{\varepsilon_2\kappa} \right)' \right]^2}} \right|.$$

If the curve  $\zeta$  is a slant curve on  $\bar{N}$ , then we have

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \beta^2(\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2\theta)}, \quad (3.29)$$

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \frac{v \cos\theta}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2\theta}}}{-\sqrt{\left[ \left( \frac{v}{\varepsilon_2\kappa} \right)' \right]^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{-\varepsilon_1\delta\beta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2\theta}}{\varepsilon_2\kappa} \right)' \right]^2}} \right|.$$



If the curve  $\zeta$  is a Legendre curve on  $\bar{N}$ , then we have

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \varepsilon_1 \beta^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{v}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2 + \varepsilon_1 \left[\left(\frac{\beta}{\kappa}\right)'\right]^2}. \quad (3.30)$$

**Corollary 3.7.** Let  $\zeta$  be a curve on 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian  $\alpha$ -Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . Then, the first curvature and the second curvature of  $\zeta$  are

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \left(\frac{\delta \rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}\right)^2}, \quad (3.31)$$

and

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \left(-\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{\rho v}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}\right)}{-\sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{v}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2 + \left[\left(\frac{\delta \rho'}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}\right)'\right]^2}} \right|.$$

The curvatures of  $\zeta$  are

$$\kappa = v \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \left| \delta \left(-\varepsilon_1 \alpha + \frac{v \cos \theta}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}\right) \right|, \quad (3.32)$$

where  $\zeta$  is a slant curve in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian  $\alpha$ -Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$  and

$$\kappa = v \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = |\varepsilon_1 \delta \alpha|, \quad (3.33)$$

where  $\zeta$  is a Legendre curve in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian  $\alpha$ -Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ .

**Corollary 3.8.** From the Eqs (3.13) and (3.17) the first curvature and the second curvature of  $\zeta$  on 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian Kenmotsu manifold  $\bar{N}$  are

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \left(\frac{\delta \rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} - \varepsilon_1 \delta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}\right)^2}, \quad (3.34)$$

and

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \frac{\rho v}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}}{-\sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{v}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2 + \left[\left(\frac{\frac{\delta \rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}} - \varepsilon_1 \delta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2}} \right|.$$

i) If the curve  $\zeta$  in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian Kenmotsu manifold  $\bar{N}$  is a slant curve, then we obtain

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}, \quad (3.35)$$

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \frac{v \cos \theta}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}}{-\sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{v}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2 + \left[\left(\frac{-\varepsilon_1 \delta \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2}} \right|.$$

ii) If the curve  $\zeta$  in 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian Kenmotsu manifold  $\bar{N}$  is a Legendre curve, then we have

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \varepsilon_1} \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{v}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2 + \varepsilon_1 \left[\left(\frac{\kappa'}{\kappa}\right)'\right]^2}. \quad (3.36)$$

**Corollary 3.9.** Let  $\zeta$  be a curve on 3-dimensional  $\delta$ -Lorentzian Sasakian manifold  $\bar{N}$ . Then, the first and second curvatures of  $\zeta$  are

$$\kappa = \sqrt{v^2 + \left(\frac{\delta \rho'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}\right)^2}, \quad (3.37)$$

and

$$\tau = \left| \frac{\delta \left(-\varepsilon_1 + \frac{\rho v}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}\right)}{-\sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{v}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa}\right)'\right]^2 + \left[\left(\frac{\delta \rho'}{\varepsilon_2 \kappa \sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \rho^2}}\right)'\right]^2}} \right|.$$

If the curve  $\zeta$  is a slant curve on  $\bar{N}$ , then we have

$$\kappa = v \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = \left| \delta \left(-\varepsilon_1 + \frac{v \cos \theta}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_1 + \delta \cos^2 \theta}}\right) \right|. \quad (3.38)$$

If the curve  $\zeta$  is a Legendre curve on  $\bar{N}$ , then we obtain

$$\kappa = v \quad \text{and} \quad \tau = |\varepsilon_1 \delta|. \quad (3.39)$$

#### 4. Examples

Let  $\bar{N}$  be a 3-dimensional manifold given

$$\bar{N} = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathfrak{R}^3, z \neq 0\}, \quad (4.1)$$

where  $(x, y, z)$  denote the standart co-ordinates in  $\mathfrak{R}^3$ . Then

$$E_1 = z \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad E_2 = z \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad E_3 = -z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \quad (4.2)$$

are linearly independent of each point of  $\bar{N}$  [17]. Let  $\bar{g}$  be the Lorentzian metric tensor defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{g}(E_1, E_1) = \bar{g}(E_2, E_2) = \bar{g}(E_3, E_3) &= \delta, \\ \bar{g}(E_i, E_j) &= 0, \quad i \neq j, \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

for  $i, j = 1, 2, 3$  and  $\delta = \mp 1$ . Let  $\eta$  be a 1-form defined by  $\eta(Z) = \delta \bar{g}(Z, E_3)$  for any vector field  $Z \in \Gamma(T\bar{N})$ . Let  $\varphi$  be the (1,1)-tensor field defined by

$$\varphi E_1 = -E_2, \quad \varphi E_2 = E_1, \quad \varphi E_3 = 0. \quad (4.4)$$

Then using the condition of the linearity of  $\varphi$  and  $\bar{g}$ , we obtain  $\eta(E_3) = 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^2 Z &= Z + \eta(Z)E_3, \\ \bar{g}(\varphi Z, \varphi W) &= \bar{g}(Z, W) - \delta \eta(Z)\eta(W), \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

for all  $Z, W \in \Gamma(T\bar{N})$ .

Now, let  $\nabla$  be the Levi-Civita connection with respect to the Lorentzian metric  $\bar{g}$ . Then we obtain

$$[E_1, E_2] = 0, \quad [E_1, E_3] = \delta E_1, \quad [E_2, E_3] = \delta E_2. \quad (4.6)$$

The Riemannian connection  $\nabla$  with respect to the metric  $\bar{g}$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} 2\bar{g}(\nabla_X Y, Z) &= X\bar{g}(Y, Z) + Y\bar{g}(Z, X) - Z\bar{g}(X, Y) \\ &+ \bar{g}([X, Y], Z) - \bar{g}([Y, Z], X) + \bar{g}([Z, X], Y). \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

If we use this equation which is known as Koszul's formula for the Lorentzian metric tensor  $\bar{g}$ , we can easily calculate the covariant derivations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{E_1} E_3 &= \delta E_1, & \nabla_{E_2} E_3 &= \delta E_2, & \nabla_{E_3} E_3 &= 0, \\ \nabla_{E_1} E_2 &= 0, & \nabla_{E_2} E_2 &= -\delta E_3, & \nabla_{E_3} E_2 &= 0, \\ \nabla_{E_1} E_1 &= -\delta E_3, & \nabla_{E_2} E_1 &= 0 & \nabla_{E_3} E_1 &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

From the above relations, for any vector field  $X$  on  $\bar{N}$ , we have

$$\nabla_X \xi = \delta(X + \eta(X)\xi), \quad (4.9)$$

for  $\xi = E_3$ ,  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta = 1$ . Hence the manifold  $\bar{N}$  under consideration is a  $\delta$ -Lorentzian trans-Sasakian of type (0, 1) manifold of dimension three.

**Example 4.1.** Let  $\gamma$  be a spacelike curve defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma : I &\rightarrow \bar{N} \\ s &\rightarrow \gamma(s) = (2\ln s, 2, \ln s), \end{aligned}$$

where the curve  $\gamma$  parametrized by the arc length parameter  $t$ . If we differentiate  $\gamma(t)$  and consider (3.1) we find

$$\frac{d\gamma}{dt} = \gamma'(t) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}E_1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}E_3,$$

and

$$e_1 = \gamma'(t),$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_2 &= E_1, \\ e_3 &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}E_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}E_3, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho = \eta(\gamma'(t))$ . If we consider the Eqs (3.2), (3.3), (3.5), (3.13) and (3.17) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \delta \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad \mu = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}, \quad \nu = \delta \frac{2}{3}, \\ \kappa &= \frac{4}{3}, \quad \tau = \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

Thus, the curve  $\gamma$  is a spacelike helix in  $\bar{N}$ .

**Example 4.2.** Let  $\omega$  be a spacelike Legendre curve defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \omega : I &\rightarrow \bar{N} \\ s &\rightarrow \omega(s) = \left( \frac{s^2}{2}, \frac{s^2}{2}, 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

where the curve  $\omega$  parametrized by the arc length parameter  $t$ . If we differentiate  $\omega(t)$  and using (3.1) we find

$$\frac{d\omega}{dt} = \omega'(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}E_1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}E_2,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} e_1 &= \omega'(t), \\ e_2 &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}E_1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}E_2, \\ e_3 &= -E_3. \end{aligned}$$

If we consider the Eqs (3.2), (3.3), (3.5), (3.13) and (3.17) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= 0, \quad \mu = -\delta\beta, \quad \nu = 0, \\ \kappa &= 2|\beta|, \quad \tau = |\alpha|. \end{aligned} \quad (4.11)$$

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