



# Magnetic Curves in Homothetic $s$ -th Sasakian Manifolds

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**Abstract:** We investigate normal magnetic curves in  $(2n + s)$ -dimensional homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifolds as a generalization of  $S$ -manifolds. We show that a curve  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve in a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold if and only if its osculating order satisfies  $r \leq 3$  and it belongs to a family of  $\theta_i$ -slant helices. Additionally, we construct a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold using generalized  $D$ -homothetic transformations and present the parametric equations of normal magnetic curves in this manifold.

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## 1. Introduction

Magnetic curves are trajectories of charged particles in a Riemannian or pseudo-Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  under the influence of a magnetic field. Formally, they are critical points of a variational problem defined by a magnetic Lagrangian, which incorporates both the kinetic energy and the interaction with the magnetic field [1]. Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold, and let  $F$  be a closed 2-form representing the *magnetic field*. A curve  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  is called a *magnetic curve* if it satisfies the following equation:

$$\nabla_{\gamma'} \gamma' = \Phi(\gamma'), \quad (1)$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection of  $g$  and  $\Phi : \chi(M) \rightarrow \chi(M)$  is a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor field determined by  $F$ , defined as [2–4]:

$$g(\Phi U, V) = F(U, V), \quad \forall U, V \in \chi(M). \quad (2)$$

In Equation (1), the left-hand term,  $\nabla_{\gamma'} \gamma'$ , represents the geodesic acceleration and the right-hand term,  $\Phi(\gamma')$ , represents the *Lorentz force* associated to the magnetic field. The equation itself is well-known as *the Lorentz equation*.

Magnetic curves generalize the concept of geodesics to include the effect of a magnetic field [5]. When  $F = 0$ , the equation reduces to the geodesic equation, and  $\gamma$  describes free motion in the manifold. Nonzero  $F$  introduces a deviation due to the magnetic force. From the preservation of energy, the speed  $\|\gamma'\|$  of a magnetic curve is constant because the magnetic force does no work [1]:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2} \|\gamma'\|^2 = g(\nabla_{\gamma'} \gamma', \gamma') = g(\Phi(\gamma'), \gamma') = F(\gamma', \gamma') = 0.$$

Moreover, if  $\|\gamma'\| = 1$ ,  $\gamma$  is called a *normal magnetic curve* [6].



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In ref. [7], Nakagawa introduced the concept of framed  $f$ -structures, extending the idea of almost contact structures. Later, in ref. [8], Hasegawa, Okuyama, and Abe defined the notion of  $p$ -th Sasakian manifolds, providing illustrative examples to deepen the understanding of these structures. In [9], Alegre, Fernandez, and Prieto-Martin introduced a new class of metric  $f$ -manifolds, expanding the study of almost contact metric structures. Their work explored the foundational properties of these manifolds and provided several examples to demonstrate their geometric significance.

Subsequently, Adachi [2] explored the bounds of curvature and the behavior of magnetic trajectories on Hadamard surfaces. His findings revealed that under certain curvature constraints, every normal trajectory in a 2-dimensional, complete, and simply connected Riemannian manifold extends unboundedly in both directions.

In the realm of contact geometry, Baikoussis and Blair [10] investigated Legendre curves in 3-dimensional contact manifolds, demonstrating that the torsion of these curves is invariably 1 in Sasakian manifolds. Building on these foundations, Cho, Inoguchi, and Lee [11] defined and studied slant curves. Extending this idea, the first author introduced  $\theta_i$ -slant curves in  $S$ -manifolds [12], broadening the framework with innovative examples and applications in framed metric  $f$ -structures.

Cabrerizo, Fernandez, and Gomez [13] developed an elegant approach for constructing almost contact metric structures compatible with given metrics on 3-dimensional oriented Riemannian manifolds. Subsequently, Druta-Romaniuc et al. [6] investigated magnetic trajectories in Sasakian  $(2n + 1)$ -manifolds under contact magnetic fields  $F_q = q\omega$ , where  $\omega$  is the fundamental 2-form. Their research paved the way for further explorations, such as particle trajectories in cosymplectic manifolds [14] and closed magnetic paths on 3-dimensional Berger spheres [15]. In ref. [16], Jleli, Munteanu, and Nistor advanced these studies by examining magnetic curves in almost contact metric manifolds and concluded that normal magnetic curves correspond to helices of order 5 or less.

In para-Kaehler manifolds, Jleli and Munteanu [17] analyzed spacelike and timelike normal magnetic trajectories associated to para-Kaehler 2-forms, establishing their circular nature. Their earlier works [18,19] provided classifications of unit-speed Killing magnetic curves and examined normal magnetic trajectories on Sasakian spheres  $S^{2n+1}$ , showing their restriction to totally geodesic subspheres  $S^3$ . This line of research culminated in a study of closed normal trajectories on 3-dimensional tori derived from various contact forms on  $\mathbb{E}^3$  [20].

Further developments included the introduction of T-magnetic, N-magnetic, and B-magnetic curves in 3-dimensional semi-Riemannian manifolds [21], as well as the classification of magnetic trajectories generated by Killing vector fields in normal paracontact metric 3-manifolds [22]. The second author also contributed by examining magnetic curves in the 3-dimensional Heisenberg group [23]. More recently, the present authors focused on slant magnetic curves in  $S$ -manifolds [24], delving into their geometric characteristics under specific magnetic influences. These contributions highlight the interplay between curvatures and contact structures in shaping the behavior of magnetic curves. For a deeper understanding of the foundational concepts underlying these advancements, readers are encouraged to consult [25–27].

Motivated by recent studies, this paper investigates normal magnetic curves within the context of  $(2n + s)$ -dimensional homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifolds, which serve as a generalization of  $S$ -manifolds. We obtain that a curve  $\gamma$  qualifies as a normal magnetic curve in a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold if and only if its osculating order satisfies  $r \leq 3$  and it belongs to a family of  $\theta_i$ -slant helices. Moreover, we construct a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold using generalized  $D$ -homothetic transformations and provide the parametric equations describing normal magnetic curves within this manifold.

## 2. Preliminaries

A Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is called a *homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold* if it satisfies the following properties for all  $U, V \in \chi(M)$ :

$$f^2U = -U + \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i(U)\zeta_i, \tag{3}$$

$$\eta_i(\zeta_j) = \delta_{ij}, f\zeta_i = 0, \eta_i(fU) = 0, \eta_i(U) = g(U, \zeta_i),$$

$$g(fU, fV) = g(U, V) - \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i(U)\eta_i(V), \tag{4}$$

$$d\eta_i(U, V) = -d\eta_i(V, U) = \alpha_i g(U, fV),$$

where  $f$  is a  $(1, 1)$ -type tensor field,  $\zeta_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ) are Killing characteristic vector fields,  $\eta_i$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ) are 1-forms,  $\alpha_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ) are nonzero constants, and this  $f$ -structure is normal [8]. It is denoted in short by  $M = (M^{2n+s}, f, \zeta_i, \eta_i, g)$ . If  $\alpha_i = 1$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ), then  $M$  becomes an  $S$ -manifold. It is important to mention that these manifolds are a subclass of trans- $S$ -manifolds [9]. In a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold, we have

$$(\nabla_U f)V = \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \{g(fU, fV)\zeta_i + \eta_i(V)f^2U\},$$

and

$$\nabla_U \zeta_i = -\alpha_i fU, i \in \{1, \dots, s\},$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Levi-Civita connection associated to  $g$ . The *fundamental 2-form* on  $M$  is given by

$$\omega(U, V) = g(U, fV). \tag{5}$$

One can easily show that  $\omega$  is closed because

$$d\omega = d\left(\frac{1}{\alpha_i}d\eta_i\right) = \frac{1}{\alpha_i}d^2\eta_i = 0.$$

As a result, we can define the *magnetic field  $F_q$  with strength  $q$*  as

$$F_q(U, V) = q\omega(U, V),$$

where  $U, V \in \chi(M)$ , and  $q$  is a real constant [16]. By using Equations (2) and (5), the Lorentz force  $\Phi$  is calculated as

$$\Phi_q = -qf.$$

Consequently, we can rewrite the Lorentz equation in (1) as

$$\nabla_T T = -qfT, \tag{6}$$

where  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  is an arc-length parameterized smooth curve, and  $T = \gamma'$  (see [6,16]).

## 3. Main Results

Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold and  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  a smooth curve. Then, the set of vector fields  $\{T = E_1, E_2, \dots, E_r\}$  is called the *Frenet frame field of  $\gamma$* , which satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= E_1 = \gamma', \\
 \nabla_T T &= \kappa_1 E_2, \\
 \nabla_T E_2 &= -\kappa_1 T + \kappa_2 E_3, \\
 &\dots \\
 \nabla_T E_j &= -\kappa_{j-1} E_{j-1} + \kappa_j E_{j+1}, \quad (2 < j < r), \\
 &\dots \\
 \nabla_T E_r &= -\kappa_{r-1} E_{r-1},
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{7}$$

where  $\nabla$  denotes the Levi-Civita connection. In this case, we call the positive integer  $r \leq n$  the *osculating order* and  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_{r-1}$  the *curvatures* of  $\gamma$ . Consequently,  $\gamma$  is called a *Frenet curve of osculating order  $r$* .

Curves are classified depending on their curvatures as follows: A Frenet curve of osculating order  $r = 1$  is a *geodesic*. A Frenet curve of osculating order  $r = 2$  with constant curvature  $\kappa_1$  is a *circle*. A Frenet curve of osculating order  $r \leq n$  with constant curvatures  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2, \dots, \kappa_{r-1}$  is a *helix of order  $r$* . We call a helix of order  $r = 3$  shortly as *helix*.

Let  $M = (M^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$  be a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold and  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  a unit-speed curve. We call the functions  $\theta_i = \theta_i(t)$  the *contact angles* between  $T$  and  $\xi_i$ , that is,

$$\cos \theta_i(t) = g(T, \xi_i).$$

$\gamma$  is called a  *$\theta_i$ -slant curve* if all  $\theta_i$  are constants. If these constant contact angles are all equal to the same value, we call  $\gamma$  a *slant curve*. Additionally, if the contact angles are all equal to  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , then it is called a *Legendre curve* and it becomes a 1-dimensional integral submanifold of the contact distribution (see [12]).

For a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve of osculating order  $r$  in a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold, the following calculations are direct:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla_T f T &= (\nabla_T f) T + f \nabla_T T \\
 &= \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i \right) \\
 &\quad + \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i \right) \left( -T + \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i \right) + \kappa_1 f E_2
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\nabla_T \xi_i = -\alpha_i f T, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s.$$

By differentiating  $\eta_i(T) = \cos \theta_i$ , we find

$$\eta_i(E_2) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s.$$

Now we can state our first proposition, constructing a one-way bridge from normal magnetic curves to  $\theta_i$ -slant curves:

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $(M^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$  be a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold and consider the contact magnetic field  $F_q$  for  $q \neq 0$ . If  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  is a normal magnetic curve associated to  $F_q$  in  $M$ , then its contact angles are constants, i.e.,  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve.*

**Proof.** Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  be a normal magnetic curve associated to  $F_q$  in  $M$ . Then, using

$$\nabla_T T = -qfT,$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} g(\nabla_T T, \xi_i) &= g(-qfT, \xi_i) = 0 \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}g(T, \xi_i) - g(T, \nabla_T \xi_i) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}g(T, \xi_i) - g(T, -\alpha_i fT) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt}g(T, \xi_i). \end{aligned}$$

As a result, we have

$$g(T, \xi_i) = \eta_i(T) = \cos \theta_i = \text{constant}.$$

□

After this proposition, we can present the following theorem, which is the main theorem of the paper.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $(M^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$  be a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold and consider the contact magnetic field  $F_q$  for  $q \neq 0$ . Then  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve associated to  $F_q$  in  $M$  if and only if  $\gamma$  belongs to the following list:

- (a) non-Legendre  $\theta_i$ -slant geodesics as integral curves of  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i$ , where  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1$ ;
- (b) non-Legendre  $\theta_i$ -slant circles with the curvature

$$\kappa_1 = \sqrt{q^2 - \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2},$$

having contact angles

$$\theta_i = \arccos\left(\frac{\alpha_i}{q}\right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s,$$

and the Frenet frame field

$$\left\{ T, \frac{-qfT}{\sqrt{q^2 - \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}} \right\},$$

where  $|q| > \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}$ ;

- (c) Legendre helices with curvatures  $\kappa_1 = |q|$  and  $\kappa_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}$ , having the Frenet frame field

$$\left\{ T, -\text{sgn}(q)fT, \frac{-\text{sgn}(q)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}} \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i \right\};$$

(d)  $\theta_i$ -slant helices with

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_1 &= |q| \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}, \\ \kappa_2 &= \sqrt{\Lambda}; \end{aligned}$$

having the Frenet frame field

$$\left\{ T, \frac{-\operatorname{sgn}(q) fT}{\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}}, E_3 \right\};$$

where we denote

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right) q^2 - 2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i \right) q + \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i \right)^2 \\ &\quad + \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2 \right), \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

$$E_3 = \frac{-\operatorname{sgn}(q)}{\sqrt{\Lambda} \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}} \left[ \begin{aligned} &\left( q \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i - \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i \right) T + \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \zeta_i \right) \\ &+ \left( -q + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \zeta_i \right) \end{aligned} \right] \tag{9}$$

and  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i < 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\gamma$  be a normal magnetic curve for  $F_q$  in  $M$ . Then  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve with constant contact angles  $\theta_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ . From Frenet equations and the Lorentz equation, we find

$$\nabla_T T = \kappa_1 E_2 = -qfT.$$

If  $\kappa_1 = 0$ , then  $-qfT = 0$  gives us  $fT = 0$ . Thus, we find

$$f^2 T = -T + \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \zeta_i = 0,$$

which results in

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \zeta_i.$$

From  $g(T, T) = 1$ , we obtain  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1$ . Hence,  $\gamma$  belongs to (a) in the list.

Let  $\kappa_1 \neq 0$ . In the expression  $\kappa_1 E_2 = -qfT$ , by taking the norm of both sides, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_1 &= \|-qfT\| = |q| \cdot \|fT\| \\ &= |q| \sqrt{g(fT, fT)} \\ &= |q| \sqrt{g(T, T) - \sum_{i=1}^s [\eta_i(T)]^2} \\ &= |q| \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}, \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

which is a constant.

As a result, we can write

$$fT = -\text{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}E_2. \tag{11}$$

If  $\kappa_2 = 0$ , then  $\gamma$  is a circle, since it has constant  $\kappa_1$ . For  $\theta_i$ -slant curves, differentiating  $\eta_i(T) = \cos \theta_i = \text{constant}$ , we also have  $\eta_i(E_2) = 0$ . If we differentiate once again,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T \eta_i(E_2) &= 0 \\ &= g(\nabla_T E_2, \xi_i) + g(E_2, \nabla_T \xi_i) \\ &= g(-\kappa_1 T, \xi_i) + g(E_2, -\alpha_i fT) \\ &= -|q|\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} \cos \theta_i + \alpha_i \text{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} \\ &= \text{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}(-q \cos \theta_i + \alpha_i). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we deduce that  $-q \cos \theta_i + \alpha_i = 0$ , or else  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1$  would be the same as (a) in the list and  $\gamma$  would be a geodesic. This gives us

$$\theta_i = \arccos\left(\frac{\alpha_i}{q}\right), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s.$$

From the fact that  $\alpha_i > 0$ ,  $\gamma$  cannot be Legendre. So,  $\kappa_1$  becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_1 &= |q|\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} \\ &= |q|\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\alpha_i^2}{q^2}} \\ &= \sqrt{q^2 - \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2} > 0, \end{aligned}$$

that is,  $|q| > \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}$ . In this case,  $\gamma$  belongs to (b) in the list.

Let  $\kappa_2 \neq 0$ . For  $\theta_i$ -slant curves, we calculate

$$f^2T = -T + \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i \tag{12}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T fT &= \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i\right) \\ &\quad + \left(-q + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right) \left(-T + \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i\right). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

If we differentiate (11), we also have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T fT &= -\operatorname{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} \nabla_T E_2 \\ &= -\operatorname{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} (-\kappa_1 T + \kappa_2 E_3) \\ &= q\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) T - \kappa_2 \operatorname{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} E_3. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

From Equations (13) and (14), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} -\kappa_2 \operatorname{sgn}(q)\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} E_3 &= \left(q \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i - \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right) T + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i\right) \\ &\quad + \left(-q + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i\right). \end{aligned}$$

By taking the norm of both sides, we find  $\kappa_2 = \sqrt{\Lambda}$ , where  $\Lambda$  is given in (8) and  $E_3$  is given in (14). Notice that  $\kappa_2$  is also a constant. Thus,  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant helix that belongs to (d) in the list.

Let us consider the Legendre case separately. In this case, since  $\cos \theta_i = 0, \forall i$ , we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i = 0,$$

which gives us

$$\kappa_1 = |q|, \quad \kappa_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}$$

using (10) and calculating  $\Lambda = \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2$ . Thus,  $\gamma$  is a Legendre helix that belongs to (c) in the list. One can easily see that  $E_3 \in \operatorname{sp}\{T, \xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_s\}$  and the coefficients are constants. If we write

$$E_3 = c_0 T + \sum_{i=1}^s c_i \xi_i$$

for some constants  $c_0, \dots, c_s$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T E_3 &= -\kappa_2 E_2 + \kappa_3 E_4 \\ &= c_0 \nabla_T T + \sum_{i=1}^s c_i \nabla_T \xi_i \\ &= c_0 \kappa_1 E_2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^s c_i \alpha_i\right) fT. \end{aligned}$$

For a normal magnetic curve, since  $fT \parallel E_2$ , we deduce that  $\kappa_3 = 0$ . So, the list is complete.  $\square$

The proof of this theorem also leads to a remarkable result that bounds the osculating order, making its inclusion here both meaningful and well-placed.

**Corollary 1.** *The osculating order of a normal magnetic curve in a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold is at most 3.*

**Proof.** From the previous proof, The Gram–Schmidt process definitively concludes after we differentiate  $E_3$  and find  $\kappa_3 = 0$ , if it has not already. If it concludes earlier, it would imply  $r < 3$ . In either case,  $r$  cannot exceed 3.  $\square$

In the next proposition, we present a nice result for Legendre helices in homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifolds:

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\gamma$  be a unit-speed Legendre helix of order 3 with  $fT \parallel E_2$  in a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold  $(M^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$ . Then, we have

$$\kappa_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}, E_2 = \pm fT, E_3 = \frac{\pm 1}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}} \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i.$$

**Proof.** Since  $\gamma$  is a Legendre helix, we have  $\cos \theta_i = 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ , and  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2$  are constants.  $fT \parallel E_2$  gives us

$$fT = \lambda E_2$$

for some real valued differentiable function  $\lambda$ . Taking the norm of both sides, we have

$$\sqrt{g(fT, fT)} = |\lambda| \|E_2\|,$$

which is calculated as

$$\sqrt{g(T, T) - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} = |\lambda|.$$

So, we obtain  $\lambda = \pm 1$  and

$$E_2 = \pm fT. \tag{15}$$

If we differentiate Equation (15), we find

$$\begin{aligned} -\kappa_1 T + \kappa_2 E_3 &= \pm \nabla_T fT \\ &= \pm \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i + \kappa_1 fE_2 \right). \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

From Equation (15), if we apply  $f$ , we obtain

$$fE_2 = \pm f^2 T = \pm \left( -T + \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i \right) = \mp T. \tag{17}$$

Equations (16) and (17) give us

$$\begin{aligned} -\kappa_1 T + \kappa_2 E_3 &= \pm \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i \mp \kappa_1 T \right) \\ &= \pm \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i - \kappa_1 T, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$\kappa_2 E_3 = \pm \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i.$$

The norm of this last equation concludes

$$\kappa_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}.$$

Then,  $E_3$  becomes

$$E_3 = \frac{\pm 1}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}} \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \xi_i.$$

□

With the following theorem, we provide the criteria for the contact angles and the strength of the magnetic field that determine when  $\theta_i$ -slant helices with  $fT \parallel E_2$  will be normal magnetic curves:

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\gamma$  be a unit-speed  $\theta_i$ -slant helix of order  $r \leq 3$  satisfying  $fT \parallel E_2$ , with given curvatures  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2$  and contact angles  $\theta_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ) in a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold  $(M^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$ . Then,

- (i) If  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1$ , then  $\gamma$  is a geodesic as an integral curve of  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \xi_i$ ; therefore, it is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_q$  with any  $q$ .
- (ii) If  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 0$  and  $\kappa_1 \neq 0$  (namely,  $\gamma$  is a non-geodesic Legendre curve), then  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\mp \kappa_1}$ .
- (iii) If  $\cos \theta_i = \frac{\varepsilon \alpha_i}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}}$ , ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ), then  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\varepsilon \sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}}$ , where  $\varepsilon = -\text{sgn}(g(fT, E_2))$ . Given this situation,  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant circle.
- (iv) If

$$\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1 - \frac{\kappa_1^2}{\Psi^2}, \tag{18}$$

then  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\varepsilon \Psi}$ , where we denote  $\varepsilon = -\text{sgn}(g(fT, E_2))$  and

$$\Psi = \sqrt{\left( \kappa_1 + \varepsilon \frac{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i}{\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}} \right)^2 + \kappa_2^2 + \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i - 2 \right) \frac{\left( \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i \right)^2}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} + \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i - 1 \right) \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}. \tag{19}$$

- (v) If none of the above is satisfied,  $\gamma$  is not qualified as a normal magnetic curve for any  $F_q$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\gamma$  is a unit-speed  $\theta_i$ -slant helix, it is given that  $\cos \theta_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ) and  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2$  are all constants. Furthermore, from  $fT \parallel E_2$ , we can write

$$fT = \lambda E_2 \tag{20}$$

for some differentiable function  $\lambda$ . Equation (20) gives us

$$g(fT, fT) = \lambda^2 g(E_2, E_2),$$

which is equivalent to

$$\lambda = \pm \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}.$$

As a result, we obtain

$$fT = -\varepsilon \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} E_2, \tag{21}$$

where we denote  $\varepsilon = -\text{sgn}(g(fT, E_2))$ .

(i) If  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1$ , then Equation (21) becomes

$$fT = 0.$$

Applying  $f$ , we find

$$f^2T = -T + \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \zeta_i = 0,$$

that is,  $T = \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \zeta_i$ . Then, we calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T T &= \nabla \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \zeta_i \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^s \cos \theta_k \zeta_k \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,k=1}^s \cos \theta_i \cos \theta_k \nabla_{\zeta_i} \zeta_k = 0 \\ &= \kappa_1 E_2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we obtain  $\kappa_1 = 0$ , i.e.,  $\gamma$  is a geodesic. We also have  $\nabla_T T = 0 = -qfT$  for any  $q$ . Thus,  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_q$  with any  $q$ .

(ii) If  $\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 0$  and  $\kappa_1 \neq 0$ , then  $\cos \theta_i = 0, (i = 1, 2, \dots, s)$ ; that is,  $\gamma$  is a Legendre curve. From Proposition 2, we have  $E_2 = \pm fT$ . Using Frenet equations, we calculate

$$\nabla_T T = \kappa_1 E_2 = \pm \kappa_1 fT.$$

As a result,  $\gamma$  becomes a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\mp \kappa_1}$ .

(iii) Let

$$\cos \theta_i = \frac{\varepsilon \alpha_i}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}}, (i = 1, 2, \dots, s).$$

So, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}, \\ 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i &= \frac{\kappa_1^2}{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} = \frac{\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}}.$$

From Equation (21), we can write

$$fT = \frac{-\varepsilon\kappa_1}{\sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}} E_2.$$

Then, it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T T &= \kappa_1 E_2 \\ &= -\varepsilon \sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2} fT. \end{aligned}$$

As a result,  $\gamma$  becomes a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\varepsilon \sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}}$ . Additionally, if we

use Equation (8) for  $q = \varepsilon \sqrt{\kappa_1^2 + \sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2}$ , we find  $\kappa_2 = \sqrt{\Lambda} = 0$ . So,  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant circle.

(iv) Finally, let

$$\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i = 1 - \frac{\kappa_1^2}{\Psi^2},$$

where  $\Psi$  is as given in (19). From Equation (21), we have

$$\begin{aligned} fT &= -\varepsilon \sqrt{1 - \left(1 - \frac{\kappa_1^2}{\Psi^2}\right)} E_2 \\ &= -\varepsilon \frac{\kappa_1}{\Psi} E_2. \end{aligned}$$

Using the Frenet equations, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_T T &= \kappa_1 E_2 = \kappa_1 \left(-\varepsilon \frac{\Psi}{\kappa_1}\right) fT \\ &= -\varepsilon \Psi fT. \end{aligned}$$

As a result,  $\gamma$  becomes a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\varepsilon\Psi}$ . Now, let us see how  $\Psi$  is calculated. Here, our aim is to determine  $q = \varepsilon\Psi$  in terms of  $\kappa_1$  and  $\kappa_2$ . We have already shown that  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\varepsilon\Psi}$ . So, we can use Theorem 1 (d). We can write

$$\kappa_1 = |q| \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i}, \tag{22}$$

$$\kappa_2 = \sqrt{\Lambda}. \tag{23}$$

Equation (22) can be rewritten as

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) q^2 = q^2 - \kappa_1^2. \tag{24}$$

Then, Equation (23) gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_2^2 &= \Lambda = \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) q^2 - 2\left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right) q + \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right)^2 \\ &\quad + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2\right), \\ &= \left(q^2 - \kappa_1^2\right) - 2\left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right) q + \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right)^2 \\ &\quad + \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i^2\right). \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

Now, we assign

$$\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i = \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} D$$

for some constant  $D$ . From Equation (22), we also know that

$$\varepsilon \kappa_1 = q \sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i},$$

where  $\varepsilon = -\text{sgn}(g(fT, E_2))$ . We rearrange the terms in (25) as

$$\begin{aligned} -2\left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right) q &= -2\sqrt{1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i} D q, \\ &= -2\varepsilon \kappa_1 D \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

and

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^s \alpha_i \cos \theta_i\right)^2 = \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i\right) D^2. \tag{27}$$

Finally, we write (26) and (27) in (25). Then, after completing the square to obtain  $(\kappa_1 + \varepsilon D)^2$ , we leave the first term  $q^2$  on the right-hand side of (25). As a result, we find  $\Psi$  as given in (19).

Since the list in Theorem 1 includes all cases where  $\gamma$  is a normal magnetic curve, then there does not exist any other normal magnetic curve in  $M$ , as stated in (v).  $\square$

### 4. Parameterization of Magnetic Curves in $\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}$ as a Homothetic $s$ -th Sasakian Manifold

$\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}(-3s)$  is a well-known  $S$ -manifold [8], which is a specific kind of trans- $S$ -manifold with  $\alpha_i = 1, \beta_i = 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, s$  [9]. Using generalized  $D$ -homothetic transformations, from Theorem 4.4 of [9], we can produce the following homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold using the structures of  $\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}(-3s)$ . The newly generated manifold is denoted in short by  $M = (\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}, f, \zeta_i, \eta_i, g)$ .

Let us consider  $\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}$  and its coordinate functions  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n, z_1, \dots, z_s\}$ . Let  $a$  and  $b$  be positive real numbers. One can define

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_i &= \frac{2}{a} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \\ \eta_i &= \frac{a}{2} \left( dz_i - \sum_{j=1}^n y_j dx_j \right), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \end{aligned}$$

$$fU = \sum_{j=1}^n V_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} - \sum_{j=1}^n U_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} + \left( \sum_{j=1}^n V_j y_j \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right),$$

$$g = \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i \otimes \eta_i + \frac{b}{4} \sum_{j=1}^n (dx_j \otimes dx_j + dy_j \otimes dy_j),$$

where

$$U = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( U_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + V_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^s \left( W_i \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right) \in \chi(M).$$

Let us denote  $M = (\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$ . Using Theorem 4.4 of [9],  $M$  becomes a trans-S-manifold with

$$\alpha_i = \frac{a}{b}, \beta_i = 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, s,$$

that is,  $M$  is a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold. The vector fields

$$U_j = \frac{2}{\sqrt{b}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j}, U_{n+j} = fU_j = \frac{2}{\sqrt{b}} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + y_j \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i} \right), \xi_i = \frac{2}{a} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}$$

are  $g$ -orthonormal. The Riemannian connection associated to  $g$  can be calculated directly from equation (4.16) of [9] as

$$\nabla_{U_j} U_k = \nabla_{U_{n+j}} U_{n+k} = 0, \nabla_{U_j} U_{n+k} = \frac{a}{b} \delta_{jk} \sum_{i=1}^s \xi_i, \nabla_{U_{n+j}} U_k = \frac{-a}{b} \delta_{jk} \sum_{i=1}^s \xi_i,$$

$$\nabla_{U_j} \xi_i = \nabla_{\xi_i} U_j = \frac{-a}{b} U_{n+j}, \nabla_{U_{n+j}} \xi_i = \nabla_{\xi_i} U_{n+j} = \frac{a}{b} U_j.$$

Now, we can give the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.** Normal magnetic curves on  $M = (\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}, f, \xi_i, \eta_i, g)$  that satisfy the Lorentz equation  $\nabla_T T = -qfT$  are described by the following parametric equations:

(a) 
$$\gamma_j(t) = \frac{c_j}{-\lambda} \sin f_j(t) + b_j, \tag{28}$$

$$\gamma_{n+j}(t) = \frac{c_j}{\lambda} \cos f_j(t) + d_j, \tag{29}$$

$$\gamma_{2n+i}(t) = \frac{2 \cos \theta_i}{a} t - \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \frac{c_j^2}{4\lambda^2} [\sin(2f_j(t)) + 2f_j(t)] + \frac{c_j d_j}{\lambda} \sin f_j(t) \right\} + h_i, \tag{30}$$

$$f_j(t) = -\lambda t + a_j,$$

$$i = 1, \dots, s, j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

$$\lambda = -q + \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right) \neq 0,$$

where  $a_j, b_j, c_j, d_j,$  and  $h_i$  are arbitrary constants such that  $c_j$  satisfies

$$\sum_{j=1}^n c_j^2 = \frac{4}{b} \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right); \tag{31}$$

or

(b) 
$$\gamma_j(t) = c_j t + d_j,$$

$$\gamma_{n+j}(t) = c_{n+j} t + d_{n+j},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{2n+i}(t) &= \frac{2 \cos \theta_i}{a} t + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \left( \frac{c_{n+j}}{2} t^2 + d_{n+j} t \right) + h_i, \\ i &= 1, \dots, s, \quad j = 1, \dots, n, \\ q &= \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_j, c_{n+j}, d_j, d_{n+j}$ , and  $h_i$  are arbitrary constants such that  $c_j$  and  $c_{n+j}$  satisfy

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (c_j^2 + c_{n+j}^2) = \frac{4}{b} \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right).$$

**Proof.** Let  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$  be a normal magnetic curve. Then, Proposition 1 gives us that  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve. Moreover, from Corollary 1, its osculating order is at most 3. Let

$$\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t), \dots, \gamma_n(t), \gamma_{n+1}(t), \dots, \gamma_{2n}(t), \gamma_{2n+1}(t), \dots, \gamma_{2n+s}(t))$$

denote the parameterization of  $\gamma$ , where  $t$  is the arc-length parameter. As a result, its tangential vector field  $T$  becomes

$$T = \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} + \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_{n+j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} + \sum_{i=1}^s \gamma'_{2n+i} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}.$$

It is more useful to write  $T$  in terms of the  $g$ -orthonormal basis as

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_{n+j} U_j + \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_j U_{n+j} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{a}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^s \left( \gamma'_{2n+i} - \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_j \gamma_{n+j} \right) \xi_i \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that  $\gamma$  is a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve, we obtain

$$\eta_i(T) = \cos \theta_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, s,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\gamma'_{2n+i} = \frac{2 \cos \theta_i}{a} + \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_j \gamma_{n+j}. \tag{32}$$

We also have  $g(T, T) = 1$ , so one can easily calculate

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (\gamma'_j)^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n (\gamma'_{n+j})^2 = \frac{4}{b} \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^s \cos^2 \theta_i \right). \tag{33}$$

So now, we need the Lorentz equation

$$\nabla_T T = -qfT \tag{34}$$

to be satisfied by  $\gamma$ , since it is a normal magnetic curve.  $\nabla_T T$  and  $fT$  can be calculated as

$$\nabla_T T = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\sum_{j=1}^n \left[ \gamma''_{n+j} + \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right) \gamma'_j \right] U_j \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^n \left[ \gamma''_j - \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right) \gamma'_{n+j} \right] U_{n+j} \end{aligned} \right\}, \tag{35}$$

and

$$fT = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n (-\gamma'_j) U_j + \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_{n+j} U_{n+j} \right]. \tag{36}$$

From Equation (34), we deduce that  $\nabla_T T \parallel fT$ , i.e., the corresponding coefficients of their unique representations in terms of the  $g$ -orthonormal basis must be proportional, and it is easy to see that the proportionality constant is  $(-q)$ . Simplifying by canceling  $\sqrt{b}/2$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\gamma''_{n+j} + \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right) \gamma'_j}{-\gamma'_j} = \frac{\gamma''_j - \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right) \gamma'_{n+j}}{\gamma'_{n+j}} = -q, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

which can be rewritten as

$$\frac{\gamma''_{n+j}}{-\gamma'_j} = \frac{\gamma''_j}{\gamma'_{n+j}} = \lambda, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n, \tag{37}$$

where we denote the corresponding proportionality constant by  $\lambda$  as

$$\lambda = -q + \frac{2a}{b} \left( \sum_{i=1}^s \cos \theta_i \right).$$

Firstly, let  $\lambda \neq 0$ . Then we have the following ODEs from (37) for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ :

$$\gamma''_{n+j} \gamma'_{n+j} + \gamma''_j \gamma'_j = 0,$$

which are integrated to find

$$\left( \gamma'_j \right)^2 + \left( \gamma'_{n+j} \right)^2 = c_j^2,$$

for some arbitrary constant  $c_j$ . These circular equations are to be solved by using

$$\gamma'_j = c_j \cos f_j, \quad \gamma'_{n+j} = c_j \sin f_j, \tag{38}$$

where  $f_j : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ) are functions of the arc-length parameter  $t$ . From Equations (37) and (38), we find

$$f'_j = -\lambda,$$

that is,

$$f_j(t) = -\lambda t + a_i,$$

for some arbitrary constant  $a_i$ . If we replace  $f_j$  in (38) and integrate, we obtain (28) and (29). Then, we use these in (32) and find (30). Equation (31) is calculated by using the fact that  $\gamma$  is unit-speed, i.e.,  $g(T, T) = 1$ . The proof of (a) is now complete.

Finally, let  $\lambda = 0$ . Following the same procedure, we obtain the linear equations of  $\gamma_j$ ,  $\gamma_{n+j}$ , and the parabolic equations of  $\gamma_{2n+i}$  as given in (b). In fact, from Equation (37) and  $\lambda = 0$ , we obtain

$$\gamma''_j = \gamma''_{n+j} = 0,$$

from which the proof of (b) is straightforward.  $\square$

We conclude our study with two explicit examples:

**Example 1.** Let  $n = 1$ ,  $s = 2$ ,  $a = 2$  and  $b = 4$ . Then  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$ ,

$$\gamma(t) = \left( \frac{1}{2}t, \frac{1}{2}t, \frac{1}{8}t^2 + \frac{1}{2}t, \frac{1}{8}t^2 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}t \right)$$

is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_{\frac{1+\sqrt{2}}{2}}$ . It is a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve with contact angles  $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{3}$  and  $\theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . It satisfies Theorem 3 (b).

**Example 2.** Let  $n = 1$ ,  $s = 3$ ,  $a = 3$  and  $b = 2$ . Then  $\gamma : I \rightarrow M$ ,

$$\gamma(t) = \left( \sin t, -\cos t, \frac{-1}{6}t - \frac{1}{4}\sin 2t, \frac{-5}{6}t - \frac{1}{4}\sin 2t, \frac{-1}{2}t - \frac{1}{4}\sin 2t \right)$$

is a normal magnetic curve for  $F_1$ . It is a  $\theta_i$ -slant curve with contact angles  $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{3}$ ,  $\theta_2 = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ , and  $\theta_3 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . It satisfies Theorem 3 (a).

## 5. Discussion

If we select  $\alpha_i = 1$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ , then a homothetic  $s$ -th Sasakian manifold becomes an  $S$ -manifold. Therefore, our new results not only complete our previous study [24] for normal magnetic curves in  $S$ -manifolds when the contact angles do not necessarily need to be equal but also generalize those prior results to a broader class of manifolds. Our parameterization Theorem 3 can be considered in a similar manner, since  $a = b = 1$  gives  $M = \mathbb{R}^{2n+s}(-3s)$ , and then  $\gamma$  represents all of the normal magnetic curves in  $\mathbb{R}^{2n+s}(-3s)$  without any requirement on the contact angles.

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