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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we study Smarandache curves in the 4-dimensional Galilean space  $G_4$ . We obtain Frenet-Serret invariants for the Smarandache curve in  $G_4$ . The first, second and third curvature of Smarandache curve are calculated. These values depending upon the first, second and third curvature of the given curve. Examples will be illustrated.

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## 1. Introduction

Galilean space is the space of the Galilean Relativity. For more about Galilean space and pseudo Galilean space may be found in [1–3]

The geometry of the Galilean Relativity acts like a bridge from Euclidean geometry to special Relativity. The geometry of curves in Euclidean space have been developed a long time ago [4]. In recent years, mathematicians have begun to investigate curves and surfaces in Galilean space [5].

Galilean space is one of the Cayley-Klein spaces. Smarandache curves have been investigated by some differential geometers such as H.S. Abdelaziz, M. Khalifa and Ahmad T. Ali [6]. In this paper, we study Smarandache curve in 4-dimensional Galilean space  $G_4$  and characterize such curves in terms of their curvature functions.

## 2. Preliminaries

The three-dimensional Galilean space  $G_3$ , is the Cayley-Klein space equipped with the projective metric of signature  $(0, 0, +, +)$ . The absolute of the Galilean geometry is an ordered triple  $(\omega, f, I)$  where  $\omega$  is the ideal (absolute) plane,  $f$  is a line in  $\omega$

(absolute line) and  $I$  is elliptic involution point  $(0, 0, x_2, x_3) \rightarrow (0, 0, x_3, -x_2)$ .

A plane is called Euclidean if it contains  $f$ , otherwise it is called isotropic or, i.e. planes  $x = \text{const.}$  are Euclidean, and so is the plane  $\omega$ . A vector  $u = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$  is said to be non-isotropic vector if  $u_1 \neq 0$ . all unit non-isotropic vectors are of the form  $u = (1, u_2, u_3)$ . For isotropic vectors  $u_1 = 0$  holds.

In the Galilean space  $G_3$  there are four classes of lines [7]:

1. The (proper) isotropic lines that don't belong to the plane  $\omega$  but meet the absolute line  $f$ .
2. The (proper) non-isotropic lines they don't meet the absolute line  $f$ .
3. a proper non-isotropic lines all lines of  $\omega$  but  $f$ .
4. The absolute line  $f$ .

Let  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$  and  $\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4)$  be two vectors in  $G_4$ . The Galilean scalar product in  $G_4$  can be written as

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle_{G_4} = \begin{cases} x_1 y_1 & \text{if } x_1 \neq 0 \text{ and } y_1 \neq 0 \\ x_2 y_2 + x_3 y_3 + x_4 y_4 & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \text{ or } y_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

The norm of the vector  $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$  is defined by

$$|\vec{x}|_{G_4} = \sqrt{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle_{G_4}}$$

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The Galilean cross product of the vectors  $x, y, z$  on  $G_4$  is defined by

$$\vec{x} \times \vec{y} \times \vec{z} = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e_2 & e_3 & e_4 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 & y_4 \\ z_1 & z_2 & z_3 & z_4 \\ e_1 & e_2 & e_3 & e_4 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } x_1 \neq 0 \text{ or } y_1 \neq 0 \text{ or } z_1 \neq 0 \\ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 & y_4 \\ z_1 & z_2 & z_3 & z_4 \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } x_1 = y_1 = z_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $e_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $e_2 = (0, 1, 0, 0)$ ,  $e_3 = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ , and  $e_4 = (0, 0, 0, 1)$

The Galilean  $G_4$  studies all properties invariant under motions of objects in space is even more complex. In addition, it stated this geometry can be described more precisely as the study of those properties of 4D space with coordinate which are invariant under general Galilean transformation as follows [8].

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= (\cos \beta \cos \alpha - \cos \gamma \sin \beta \sin \alpha)x \\ &\quad + (\sin \beta \cos \alpha - \cos \gamma \cos \beta \sin \alpha)y \\ &\quad + (\sin \gamma \sin \alpha)z + (v \cos \delta_1)t + a \\ y' &= -(\cos \beta \sin \alpha + \cos \gamma \sin \beta \cos \alpha)x \\ &\quad + (-\sin \beta \sin \alpha + \cos \gamma \cos \beta \cos \alpha)y \\ &\quad + (\sin \gamma \cos \alpha)z + (v \cos \delta_2)t + b \\ z' &= (\sin \gamma \sin \beta)x - (\sin \gamma \cos \beta)y \\ &\quad + (\cos \gamma)z + (v \cos \delta_3)t + c \\ t' &= t + d \end{aligned}$$

with  $\cos^2 \delta_1 + \cos^2 \delta_2 + \cos^2 \delta_3 = 1$ .

A curve  $\alpha: I \rightarrow G_4$  of  $C^\infty$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  in the Galilean  $G_4$  is defined by  $\alpha(s) = (s, y(s), z(s), w(s))$  where the curve  $\alpha$  is parameterized by the Galilean invariant arc-length. The first Frenet-Serret frame, that is, the tangent vector of  $\alpha(s)$  in  $G_4$ , is defined by

$$t(s) = \alpha'(s) = (1, y'(s), z'(s), w'(s)) \tag{2.1}$$

The second vector of the Frenet-Serret frame, that is called, the principle normal of  $\alpha(s)$  is defined by  $n(s)$ .

$$n(s) = \frac{1}{k_1(s)} \alpha''(s) = \frac{1}{k_1(s)} (0, y''(s), z''(s), w''(s)) \tag{2.2}$$

The third vector of the Frenet-Serret frame, that is called, the first binormal vector of is defined by

$$b_1(s) = \frac{1}{k_2(s)} \left( 0, \left( \frac{y''(s)}{k_1(s)} \right)', \left( \frac{z''(s)}{k_1(s)} \right)', \left( \frac{w''(s)}{k_1(s)} \right)' \right) \tag{2.3}$$

Thus the vector  $b_1(s)$  is perpendicular to both  $t(s)$  and  $n(s)$ .

The second binormal vector of  $\alpha(s)$  which is the fourth vector of the Frenet-Serret frame is defined by  $b_2(s)$ .

$$b_2(s) = t(s) \times n(s) \times b_1(s) \tag{2.4}$$

where  $k_1(s)$ ,  $k_2(s)$  and  $k_3(s)$  are the first, second and third curvature functions of the curve  $\alpha(s)$  which are defined by

$$k_1(s) = |t'(s)|_{G_4} = \sqrt{(y''(s))^2 + (z''(s))^2 + (w''(s))^2}$$

$$k_2(s) = |n'(s)|_{G_4} = \sqrt{\langle n', n' \rangle_{G_4}}$$

$$k_3(s) = \langle b_1'(s), b_2(s) \rangle_{G_4}$$

If the curvature  $k_1(s)$ ,  $k_2(s)$  and  $k_3(s)$  are constants, then the curve  $\alpha(s)$  is called W-curve. The set  $\{t(s), n(s), b_1(s), b_2(s), k_1(s), k_2(s), k_3(s)\}$  is called the Frenet-Serret apparatus of the curve  $\alpha$ .

The vectors  $\{t(s), n(s), b_1(s), b_2(s)\}$  are mutually orthogonal vectors

$$\begin{aligned} \langle t(s), t(s) \rangle_{G_4} &= \langle n(s), n(s) \rangle_{G_4} = \langle b_1(s), b_1(s) \rangle_{G_4} \\ &= \langle b_2(s), b_2(s) \rangle_{G_4} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \langle t(s), n(s) \rangle_{G_4} &= \langle t(s), b_1(s) \rangle_{G_4} = \langle t(s), b_2(s) \rangle_{G_4} \\ &= \langle n(s), b_1(s) \rangle_{G_4} = \langle n(s), b_2(s) \rangle_{G_4} \\ &= \langle b_1(s), b_2(s) \rangle_{G_4} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The derivatives of the Frenet-Serret equations are defined as in [9].

$$\begin{aligned} t'(s) &= k_1(s)n(s) \\ n'(s) &= k_2(s)b_1(s) \\ b_1'(s) &= -k_2(s)n(s) + k_3(s)b_1(s) \\ b_2'(s) &= -k_3(s)b_1(s) \end{aligned}$$

### 3. $tb_2$ Smarandache curves in $G_4$

**Definition 1.** A curve in  $G_4$ , whose position vector is obtained by Frenet frame vectors on another curve, is called Smarandache curve.

Let us define special forms of Smarandache curves.

**Definition 2.** Let  $\alpha(s)$  be a unit speed curve in  $G_4$  with constant curvatures  $k_1, k_2$  and  $k_3$  and  $\{t(s), n(s), b_1(s), b_2(s)\}$  be Frenet frame on it. The  $tb_2$  Smarandache curves are defined by

$$\beta(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(t(s) + b_2(s))$$

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\alpha = \alpha(s)$  be a unit speed curve with constant curvatures  $k_1(s), k_2(s)$  and  $k_3(s)$  and  $\beta(s_\beta(s))$  be  $tb_2$  Smarandache curve defined by frame vectors of  $\alpha(s)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} t_\beta(s_\beta(s)) &= \frac{k_1 n - k_3 b_1}{\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}} \\ n_\beta(s_\beta(s)) &= \frac{k_2 k_3 n + k_1 k_2 b_1 - k_3^2 b_2}{\sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}} \\ b_{1\beta}(s_\beta(s)) &= \frac{(-k_1 k_2^2 n + k_3(k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 + k_1 k_2 k_3 b_2)}{\sqrt{k_2^2 + k_3^2} \sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}} \\ b_{2\beta}(s_\beta(s)) &= \frac{k_1 k_3(k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4 - k_2^2 k_3^2)t}{\sqrt{k_2^2 + k_3^2} \sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}(k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4)} \\ k_{1\beta}(s_\beta(s)) &= \frac{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}}{k_1^2 + k_3^2} \\ k_{2\beta}(s_\beta(s)) &= \frac{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{k_2^2 + k_3^2}}{\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}} \\ k_{3\beta}(s_\beta(s)) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** Let  $\beta = \beta(s_\beta(s))$  be a  $tb_2$  Smarandache curve of the curve  $\alpha(s)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= \beta(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(t(s) + b_2(s)) \\ \beta'(s_\beta) &= \frac{d\beta(s_\beta(s))}{ds} = \frac{d\beta(s_\beta)}{ds_\beta} \cdot \frac{ds_\beta}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(t'(s) + b_2'(s)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(k_1 n - k_3 b_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$t_\beta = \beta'(s_\beta) = \frac{k_1 n - k_3 b_1}{\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}} \tag{3.1}$$

where  $\frac{ds_\beta}{ds} = \frac{\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta''(s_\beta) &= \frac{dt_\beta}{ds_\beta} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(k_1 n' - k_3 b_1')}{k_1^2 + k_3^2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}(k_2 k_3 n + k_1 k_2 b_1 - k_3^2 b_2)}{k_1^2 + k_3^2} \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

$$k_{1\beta}(s_\beta) = |t_\beta'(s_\beta)| = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}}{k_1^2 + k_3^2} \tag{3.2}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} n_\beta(s_\beta) &= \frac{\beta''(s_\beta)}{\|\beta''(s_\beta)\|} = \frac{k_2 k_3 n + k_1 k_2 b_1 - k_3^2 b_2}{\sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}} \\ n'_\beta(s_\beta) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}(-k_1 k_2^2 n + k_3(k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 + k_1 k_2 k_3 b_2)}{\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}\sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}} \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

$$k_{2\beta}(s_\beta) = |n'_\beta(s_\beta)|_{G_4} = \sqrt{\langle n'_\beta, n'_\beta \rangle_{G_4}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{k_2^2 + k_3^2}}{\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}} \tag{3.4}$$

Hence we can find

$$b_{1\beta}(s_\beta) = \frac{n'_\beta(s_\beta)}{k_{2\beta}(s_\beta)} = \frac{(-k_1 k_2^2 n + k_3(k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 + k_1 k_2 k_3 b_2)}{\sqrt{k_2^2 + k_3^2}\sqrt{k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4}} \tag{3.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{2\beta}(s_\beta) &= t_\beta(s_\beta) \times n_\beta(s_\beta) \times b_{1\beta}(s_\beta) \\ &= \frac{(k_1^3 k_2^2 k_3 + k_1 k_3^3 - k_1 k_2^2 k_3^3)t}{\sqrt{k_2^2 + k_3^2}\sqrt{k_1^2 + k_3^2}(k_2^2 k_3^2 + k_1^2 k_2^2 + k_3^4)} \\ &= ct \text{ where } ct \text{ is constant} \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

So we can deduce that

$$k_{3\beta}(s_\beta) = \langle b_{1\beta}(s_\beta), b_{2\beta}(s_\beta) \rangle_{G_4} = 0 \tag{3.7}$$

and the proof is complete.  $\square$

#### 4. $nb_1$ Smarandache curves in $G_4$

**Definition 3.** Let  $\alpha(s)$  be a unit speed curve in  $G_4$  with constant curvatures  $k_1(s), k_2(s), k_3(s)$  and  $\{t(s), n(s), b_1(s), b_2(s)\}$  be Frenet frame on it. The  $nb_1$ Smarandache curves in  $G_4$  are defined by  $\beta(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(n(s) + b_1(s))$

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\alpha = \alpha(s)$  be a unit speed curve in  $G_4$  with constant curvatures  $k_1(s), k_2(s)$  and  $k_3(s)$ . Then the Smarandache  $nb_1$  curves of  $\alpha(s)$  has  $b_{2\beta}(s_\beta) = 0$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\beta = \beta(s_\beta(s))$  be a  $nb_1$ Smarandache curve of  $\alpha(s)$ . Then

$$\beta = \beta(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(n(s) + b_1(s))$$

$$\beta'(s_\beta) = \frac{d\beta(s_\beta)}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(n'(s) + b_1'(s))$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(k_2 b_1 + (-k_2 n + k_3 b_2))$$

$$\frac{ds_\beta}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{2k_2^2 + k_3^2}$$

$$t_\beta = \frac{d\beta(s_\beta)}{ds_\beta} = \beta'(s_\beta) = \frac{-k_2 n + k_2 b_1 + k_3 b_2}{\sqrt{2k_2^2 + k_3^2}}$$

$$t_\beta = \beta'(s_\beta) = \frac{-k_2 n + k_2 b_1 + k_3 b_2}{\sqrt{2k_2^2 + k_3^2}}$$

$$\frac{d\beta'(s_\beta(s))}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k_2^2 + k_3^2}}[-k_2 n' + k_2 b_1' + k_3 b_2'] \tag{4.1}$$

$$n_\beta(s_\beta) = \frac{\beta''(s_\beta)}{\|\beta''(s_\beta)\|} = \frac{[-k_2^2 n - (k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 + k_2 k_3 b_2]}{\sqrt{(k_2^2 + k_3^2)}\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}} \tag{4.2}$$

$$n'_\beta(s_\beta) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{(k_2^2 + k_3^2)}[k_2 n - k_2 b_1 - k_3 b_2]}{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}$$

$$|n'_\beta(s_\beta)| = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{(k_2^2 + k_3^2)}}{\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}}$$

$$k_{2\beta}(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\sqrt{(k_2^2 + k_3^2)}}{\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}} \tag{4.3}$$

From the second Frenet Serret equations we have

$$b_{1\beta}(s_\beta) = \frac{n'_\beta(s_\beta)}{k_{2\beta}(s_\beta)} = \frac{k_2 n - k_2 b_1 - k_3 b_2}{\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}}$$

$$\frac{db_{1\beta}(s_\beta)}{ds} = \frac{k_2^2 n + (k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 - k_2 k_3 b_2}{\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}}$$

$$\frac{db_{1\beta}(s_\beta)}{ds_\beta} = \frac{\sqrt{2}[k_2^2 n + (k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 - k_2 k_3 b_2]}{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)} \tag{4.4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_{2\beta}(s_\beta) &= t_\beta(s_\beta) \times n_\beta(s_\beta) \times b_{1\beta}(s_\beta) \\ &= \frac{-k_2 n + k_2 b_1 + k_3 b_2}{\sqrt{2k_2^2 + k_3^2}} \times \frac{[-k_2^2 n - (k_2^2 + k_3^2)b_1 + k_2 k_3 b_2]}{\sqrt{(k_2^2 + k_3^2)}\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}} \\ &\quad \times \frac{[k_2 n - k_2 b_1 - k_3 b_2]}{\sqrt{(2k_2^2 + k_3^2)}} \\ &= 0t + 0n + 0b_1 + 0b_2 \end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

and the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Definition 4.** Let  $\alpha = \alpha(s)$  be a curve in Galilean space  $G_4$  and  $\{t(s), n(s), b_1(s), b_2(s)\}$  be its moving Frenet frame. The  $tnb_1 b_2$  Smarandache curves are defined as

$$\beta(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}}(t(s) + n(s) + b_1(s) + b_2(s)) \tag{4.6}$$

**Remark 1.** The Frenet- Serret invariants of  $tnb_1 b_2$  Smarandache curves can easily obtained by the apparatus of the curve  $\alpha = \alpha(s)$ .

**Remark 2.** There are another types of Smarandache curves in  $G_4$  such as

$$tb_1, tn, nb_2, b_1 b_2, tnb_1, tnb_2, tb_1 b_2, nb_1 b_2.$$

**Example 1.** Let us consider the following curve  $I \subset R \subset G_4$

$$\alpha = \alpha(s) = (s, \sin s, \sqrt{2} \cos s, \sin s) \tag{4.7}$$

Differentiating (4.7) we have

$$\alpha'(s) = (1, \cos s, -\sqrt{2} \sin s, \cos s) \tag{4.8}$$

The Galilean inner product follows that  $\langle \alpha', \alpha' \rangle_{G_4} = 1$ . So the curve is parameterized by arc length and the tangent vector is (4.8). In order to calculate the first curvature let us express

$$t'(s) = (0, -\sin s, -\sqrt{2} \cos s, -\sin s)$$

Taking the norm of both sides, we have  $k_1(s) = \sqrt{2}$ .

The principal normal  $n(s)$  becomes

$$n(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, -\sin s, -\sqrt{2}\cos s, -\sin s) \quad (4.9)$$

One more differentiating of (4.9), we have

$$n'(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, -\cos s, \sqrt{2}\sin s, -\cos s)$$

By using  $n'(s)$  we have the second curvature  $k_2(s) = 1$  and the first binormal vector

$$b_1(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, -\cos s, \sqrt{2}\sin s, -\cos s) \quad (4.10)$$

The second binormal vector  $b_2(s) = t(s) \times n(s) \times b_1(s)$

$$b_2(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, -1, 0, 1) \quad (4.11)$$

We can obtain easily the third curvature of the curve  $k_3(s) = 0$ .

The  $tb_2$  Smarandache curve of the curve  $\alpha(s)$  is the curve  $\beta(s_\beta(s))$

$$\beta(s_\beta(s)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(1, \cos s - \frac{1}{2}, -\sqrt{2}\sin s, \cos s + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

By using Theorem (1) above we can obtain easily the Frenet-Serret apparatus of the curve  $\beta(s_\beta(s))$ .

$$t_\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, -\sin s, -\sqrt{2}\cos s, -\sin s) \quad (4.12)$$

$$n_\beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, -\cos s, \sqrt{2}\sin s, -\cos s) \quad (4.13)$$

$$k_{1\beta} = 1 \quad (4.14)$$

$$k_{2\beta} = 1 \quad (4.15)$$

$$b_{1\beta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, \sin s, \sqrt{2}\cos s, \sin s) \quad (4.16)$$

$$b_{2\beta} = (0, 0, 0, 0) \quad (4.17)$$

$$k_{3\beta} = 0 \quad (4.18)$$

In the same way we can obtain the  $nb_1$  Smarandache curve and its Frenet-Serret apparatus by using (4.1),(4.2),(4.3),(4.4),(4.5) of Theorem 2.

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