



# Clairaut anti-invariant submersions from locally product Riemannian manifolds

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## Abstract

In this paper, we investigate some geometric properties of Clairaut submersions whose total space is a locally product Riemannian manifold.

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## 1 Introduction

Given a  $C^\infty$ -submersion  $F$  from a (semi)-Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N)$  onto a (semi)-Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$ , according to the circumstances on the map  $F : (N, g_N) \rightarrow (B, g_B)$ , we get the following:

Riemannian submersion (Falcitelli et al. 2004; O’Neill 1966; Gray 1967), almost Hermitian submersion (Watson 1976), paracontact paracomplex submersions (Gündüzalp and Şahin 2014), quaternionic submersion (Ianus et al. 2008), slant submersion (Akyol and Gündüzalp 2016; Gündüzalp 2013b; Gündüzalp and Akyol 2018; Şahin 2011), anti-invariant submersion (Beri et al. 2016; Şahin 2010), Clairaut submersion (Bishop 1972; Gündüzalp 2019; Taştan and Gerdan 2017; Lee et al. 2015; Allison 1996), conformal anti-invariant submersion (Akyol 2017; Akyol and Şahin 2016), etc.

In the present paper, we take into account Clairaut anti-invariant submersions from a locally product Riemannian manifold onto a Riemannian manifold. In Sect. 2, we recall some concepts, which are needed in the following section. In Sect. 3, we first obtain necessary and sufficient conditions for a curve on the manifold  $N$  of anti-

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invariant submersions to be geodesic. Then we present a new characterization for Clairaut anti-invariant submersions. Also, we present an example.

## 2 Preliminaries

### 2.1 Riemannian submersions

A  $C^\infty$ -submersion  $F : N \rightarrow B$  between two Riemannian manifolds  $(N, g_N)$  and  $(B, g_B)$  is called a Riemannian submersion if it satisfies conditions:

- (i) the fibres  $F^{-1}(b)$ ,  $b \in B$ , are  $r$ -dimensional Riemannian submanifolds of  $N$ , where  $r = \dim(N) - \dim(B)$ .
- (ii)  $F_*$  preserves the lengths of horizontal vectors.

The vectors tangent to the fibres are called vertical and those normal to the fibres are called horizontal. We denote by  $(\ker F_*)$  the vertical distribution, by  $(\ker F_*)^\perp$  the horizontal distribution and by  $v$  and  $h$  the vertical and horizontal projection. A horizontal vector field  $X_1$  on  $N$  is said to be *fundamental* if  $X_1$  is  $F$ -related to a vector field  $X_{*1}$  on  $B$ .

A Riemannian submersion  $F : N \rightarrow B$  defines two  $(1, 2)$  tensor fields  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  on  $N$ , by the formulas:

$$\mathcal{T}_{X_1} X_2 = h\nabla_{vX_1} vX_2 + v\nabla_{vX_1} hX_2 \quad (1)$$

and

$$\mathcal{A}_{X_1} X_2 = v\nabla_{hX_1} hX_2 + h\nabla_{hX_1} vX_2 \quad (2)$$

for any  $X_1, X_2 \in \chi(N)$  (see Falcitelli et al. 2004). Using (1) and (2), one can get

$$\nabla_{U_1} U_2 = \mathcal{T}_{U_1} U_2 + \hat{\nabla}_{U_1} U_2; \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla_{U_1} X_1 = \mathcal{T}_{U_1} X_1 + h(\nabla_{U_1} X_1); \quad (4)$$

$$\nabla_{X_1} U_1 = \mathcal{A}_{X_1} U_1 + v(\nabla_{X_1} U_1), \quad (5)$$

$$\nabla_{X_1} X_2 = \mathcal{A}_{X_1} X_2 + h(\nabla_{X_1} X_2), \quad (6)$$

for any  $X_1, X_2 \in \Gamma((\ker F_*)^\perp)$ ,  $U_1, U_2 \in \Gamma(\ker F_*)$ . In addition, if  $X_1$  is basic then  $h(\nabla_{U_1} X_1) = h(\nabla_{X_1} U_1) = \mathcal{A}_{X_1} U_1$ .

The fundamental tensor fields  $\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{A}$  satisfy:

$$\mathcal{T}_{U_1} U_2 = \mathcal{T}_{U_2} U_1, \quad U_1, U_2 \in \Gamma(\ker F_*); \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{X_1} X_2 = -\mathcal{A}_{X_2} X_1 = \frac{1}{2} v[X_1, X_2], \quad X_1, X_2 \in \Gamma((\ker F_*)^\perp). \quad (8)$$

### 2.2 Anti-invariant submersions

Let  $N$  be a  $n$ -dimensional smooth manifold. If it is endowed with a structure  $(P, g_N)$ , where  $P$  is a  $(1, 1)$  tensor, and  $g_N$  is a Riemannian metric, satisfying

$$P^2 X_1 = X_1, \quad g_N(PX_1, X_2) = g_N(X_1, PX_2), \tag{9}$$

for any  $X_1, X_2 \in \chi(N)$ , it is called an almost product Riemannian manifold. An almost product Riemannian manifold  $N$  is called a locally product Riemannian manifold if

$$\nabla P = 0, \tag{10}$$

where  $\nabla$  is the Riemannian connection on  $N$  (Yano and Kon 1984).

**Definition 2.1** (Gündüzalp 2013a) Let  $(N, g_N, P)$  be an almost product Riemannian manifold and  $(B, g_B)$  a Riemannian manifold. Suppose that there exists a Riemannian submersion  $F : N \rightarrow B$  such that  $\ker F_*$  is anti-invariant with respect to  $P$ , i.e.,  $P(\ker F_*) \subseteq (\ker F_*)^\perp$ . At that time, we call  $F$  is an anti-invariant Riemannian submersion.

In this case, the horizontal distribution  $(\ker F_*)^\perp$  decomposed as

$$(\ker F_*)^\perp = P(\ker F_*) \oplus \eta, \tag{11}$$

where  $\eta$  is the complementary orthogonal distribution of  $P(\ker F_*)$  in  $(\ker F_*)^\perp$  and it is invariant with respect to  $P$ .

For any  $X_1 \in \Gamma(\ker F_*)^\perp$ , we write

$$PX_1 = DX_1 + EX_1, \tag{12}$$

where  $DX_1$  and  $EX_1$  are vertical and horizontal components of  $PX_1$ . If  $\eta = 0$ , at that time an anti-invariant submersion is called a Lagrangian submersion.

### 3 Clairaut anti-invariant submersions

Let  $M$  be a revolution surface in  $R^3$  with rotation axis  $d$ .  $\forall x \in M$ , we state by  $r(x)$  the distance from  $x$  to  $d$ . Given a geodesic  $c : J \subset R \rightarrow M$  on  $M$ , let  $\varphi(s)$  be the angle between  $c(s)$  and the meridian curve through  $c(s)$ ,  $s \in J$ . A well-known Clairaut’s theorem tells that for any geodesic  $c$  on  $M$  the product  $r \sin \varphi$  is constant along  $c$ , i.e., it is independent of  $s$ . In the submersion theory, Bishop (1972) shows the concept of Clairaut submersion in the following way.

**Definition 3.1** (Bishop 1972) A Riemannian submersion  $F : (N, g_N, P) \rightarrow (B, g_B)$  is called a *Clairaut submersion* if there exists a positive function  $r$  on  $N$  such that, for any geodesic  $c$  on  $N$ , the function  $(r \circ c) \sin \varphi$  is constant, where, for any  $s$ ,  $\varphi(s)$  is the angle between  $\dot{c}(s)$  and the horizontal space at  $c(s)$ . Moreover, he gave a necessary and sufficient condition for a Riemannian submersion to be a Clairaut submersion.

**Theorem 3.1** (Bishop 1972) *Let  $F : (N, g_N, P) \rightarrow (B, g_B)$  be Riemannian submersion with connected fibres. Then,  $F$  is a Clairaut submersion with  $r = e^g$  if and only if each fibre is completely umbilical and has the mean curvature vector field  $H = -\nabla g$ , where  $\nabla g$  is the gradient of the function  $g$  with respect to  $g_N$ .*

**Proposition 3.1** *Let  $F$  be an anti-invariant submersion from a locally product Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N, P)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$ . If  $c : J \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow N$  is a regular curve and  $U_1(s)$  and  $X_1(s)$  are the vertical and horizontal parts of the tangent vector field  $\dot{c}(s) = W$  of  $c(s)$ , respectively, then  $c$  is a geodesic if and only if along  $c$*

$$v\nabla_{\dot{c}}DX_1 + \mathcal{A}_{X_1}PU_1 + \mathcal{T}_{U_1}PU_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})EX_1 = 0, \quad (13)$$

and

$$h\nabla_{\dot{c}}EX_1 + h\nabla_{\dot{c}}PU_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})DX_1 = 0. \quad (14)$$

**Proof** From (10), we obtain

$$\nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c} = P(\nabla_{\dot{c}}P\dot{c}). \quad (15)$$

Since  $\dot{c} = U_1 + X_1$ , we can write

$$\nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c} = P(\nabla_{U_1+X_1}P(U_1 + X_1)). \quad (16)$$

By direct computations, we get

$$\nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c} = P(\nabla_{U_1}PU_1 + \nabla_{U_1}PX_1 + \nabla_{X_1}PU_1 + \nabla_{X_1}PX_1).$$

Using (12), we get

$$\nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c} = P(\nabla_{U_1}PU_1 + \nabla_{U_1}(DX_1 + EX_1) + \nabla_{X_1}PU_1 + \nabla_{X_1}(DX_1 + EX_1)).$$

Using (3)–(6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c} &= P(h(\nabla_{\dot{c}}PU_1 + \nabla_{\dot{c}}EX_1) + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})(DX_1 + EX_1) \\ &\quad + v\nabla_{\dot{c}}DX_1 + \mathcal{A}_{X_1}PU_1 + \mathcal{T}_{U_1}PU_1). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the vertical and horizontal pieces of this equation. we have

$$v\nabla_{\dot{c}}DX_1 + \mathcal{A}_{X_1}PU_1 + \mathcal{T}_{U_1}PU_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})EX_1 = vP\nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c} \quad (17)$$

and

$$h\nabla_{\dot{c}}EX_1 + h\nabla_{\dot{c}}PU_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})DX_1 = hP\nabla_{\dot{c}}\dot{c}. \quad (18)$$

From (17) and (18), it is simple to see that  $c$  is a geodesic if and only if (13) and (14) hold.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $F$  be an anti-invariant submersion from a locally product Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N, P)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$ . At that time  $F$  is a Clairaut submersion with  $r = e^s$  if and only if along  $c$  the following equation holds*

$$g_N(h\nabla_{\dot{c}}EX_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})\mathcal{D}X_1, PU_1) = g_N(\nabla g, X_1)\|U_1\|^2, \tag{19}$$

where  $U_1(s)$  and  $X_1(s)$  are the vertical and horizontal parts of the tangent vector field  $\dot{c}(s)$  of the geodesic  $c(s)$  on  $N$ , severally.

**Proof** Let  $c(s)$  be a geodesic with speed  $\sqrt{b}$  on  $N$ , at that time, we get

$$b = \|\dot{c}(s)\|^2.$$

Thence, we conclude that

$$g_N(X_1(s), X_1(s)) = b \cos^2 \varphi(s), \quad g_N(U_1(s), U_1(s)) = b \sin^2 \varphi(s), \tag{20}$$

where  $\varphi(s)$  is the angle between  $\dot{c}(s)$  and the horizontal space at  $c(s)$ . Differentiating the second expression in (20), we get

$$\frac{d}{ds}g_N(U_1(s), U_1(s)) = 2g_N(\nabla_{\dot{c}(s)}U_1(s), U_1(s)) = 2b \cos \varphi(s) \sin \varphi(s) \frac{d\varphi}{ds}(s). \tag{21}$$

Thus, using (9) and (10), we obtain

$$g_N(h\nabla_{\dot{c}(s)}PU_1(s), PU_1(s)) = b \cos \varphi(s) \sin \varphi(s) \frac{d\varphi}{ds}(s). \tag{22}$$

By (14), we arrive at along  $c$ ,

$$-g_N(h\nabla_{\dot{c}}EX_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})\mathcal{D}X_1, PU_1) = b \cos \varphi \sin \varphi \frac{d\varphi}{ds}. \tag{23}$$

Moreover,  $F$  is a Clairaut anti-invariant submersion with  $r = e^s$  if and only if

$$\frac{d}{ds}(e^s \sin \varphi) = 0 \Leftrightarrow e^s \left( \frac{dg}{ds} \sin \varphi + \cos \varphi \frac{d\varphi}{ds} \right) = 0.$$

Striking recent equation with non-zero element  $b \sin \varphi$ , we obtain

$$\frac{dg}{ds}b \sin^2 \varphi + b \cos \varphi \sin \varphi \frac{d\varphi}{ds} = 0. \tag{24}$$

From (23) and (24), we have

$$g_N(h\nabla_{\dot{c}}EX_1 + (\mathcal{A}_{X_1} + \mathcal{T}_{U_1})\mathcal{D}X_1, PU_1) = \frac{dg}{ds}(c(s))\|U_1\|^2. \tag{25}$$

Since  $\frac{dg}{ds}(c(s)) = \dot{c}[g] = g_N(\nabla g, \dot{c}) = g_N(\nabla g, X_1)$ , the claim (19) follows from (25).  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $F$  be a Clairaut anti-invariant submersion from a locally product Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N, P)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$  with  $r = e^g$ . At that time, we get*

$$A_{PU_3}PX_1 = X_1(g)U_3 \tag{26}$$

for  $X_1 \in \eta$  and  $U_3 \in \ker F_\star$  such that  $PU_3$  is basic.

**Proof** From Theorem 3.1, we obtain

$$\mathcal{T}_{U_1}U_2 = -g_N(U_1, U_2)\nabla g, \tag{27}$$

where  $U_1, U_2 \in \ker F_\star$ . If we crash this equation by  $PU_3, U_3 \in \ker F_\star$  such that  $PU_3$  is fundamental and from (3), we get

$$g_N(\nabla_{U_1}U_2, PU_3) = -g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_3).$$

Thus, we have

$$g_N(\nabla_{U_1}PU_3, U_2) = g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_3),$$

since  $g_N(U_2, PU_3) = 0$ .

By (10), we get

$$g_N(P\nabla_{U_1}U_3, U_2) = g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_3).$$

Using (9), we arrive at

$$g_N(\nabla_{U_1}U_3, PU_2) = g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_3).$$

Again, using (3), we obtain

$$g_N(\mathcal{T}_{U_1}U_3, PU_2) = g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_3).$$

Thus, by (27),

$$-g_N(U_1, U_3)g_N(\nabla g, PU_2) = g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_3) \tag{28}$$

If take  $U_1 = U_3$  and exchange  $U_1$  with  $U_2$  in (28), we provide

$$-\|U_2\|^2g_N(\nabla g, PU_1) = g_N(U_1, U_2)g_N(\nabla g, PU_2). \tag{29}$$

Using (28) with  $U_1 = U_3$  and (29), we get

$$-g_N(\nabla g, PU_1) = \frac{g_N^2(U_1, U_2)}{\|U_2\|^2\|U_1\|^2}g_N(\nabla g, PU_1). \tag{30}$$

On the other hand, using (10), we obtain

$$g_N(\nabla_{U_2} P U_3, P X_1) = g_N(P \nabla_{U_2} U_3, P X_1)$$

for any  $X_1 \in \eta$ . Thus, using (9), we get

$$g_N(\nabla_{U_2} P U_3, P X_1) = g_N(\nabla_{U_2} U_3, X_1).$$

Using (3) and (27), we obtain

$$g_N(\nabla_{U_2} P U_3, P X_1) = -g_N(U_2, U_3)g_N(\nabla g, X_1). \tag{31}$$

Since  $P U_3$  is fundamental and from  $h \nabla_{U_2} P U_3 = \mathcal{A}_{P U_3} U_2$ , we have

$$g_N(h \nabla_{U_2} P U_3, P X_1) = g_N(\mathcal{A}_{P U_3} U_2, P X_1). \tag{32}$$

Using (31),(32) and the anti-symmetry of  $\mathcal{A}$ , we find

$$g_N(\mathcal{A}_{P U_3} P X_1, U_2) = g_N(\nabla g, X_1)g_N(U_3, U_2). \tag{33}$$

Since  $\mathcal{A}_{P U_3} P X_1, U_2$  and  $U_3$  are vertical and  $\nabla g$  is horizontal, we derive (26).

Now, if  $\nabla g \in Pker F \star$ , then from (30) and the equality situation of Schwarz inequality, we get the following. □

**Corollary 3.1** *Let  $F$  be a Clairaut anti-invariant submersion from a locally product Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N, P)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$  with  $r = e^g$ . If  $\nabla g \in Pker F \star$ , at that time, either  $g$  is constant on  $Pker F \star$  or the fibres of  $F$  are 1-dimensional.*

Furthermore, while the function  $g$  is constant,  $\nabla g \equiv 0$ . Hence, by Theorem 3.1 and Corollary 3.1, we get that:

**Corollary 3.2** *Let  $F$  be a Clairaut anti-invariant submersion from a locally product Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N, P)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$  with  $r = e^g$  and  $\nabla g \in Pker F \star$ . If  $\dim(ker F \star) > 1$ , at that time, the fibres of  $F$  are completely geodesic if and only if  $\mathcal{A}_{P U_3} P X_1 = 0$  for  $U_3 \in ker F \star$  such that  $P U_3$  is fundamental and  $X_1 \in \eta$ .*

In addition, if the anti-invariant submersion  $F$  in Theorem 3.3 is Lagrangian, at that time,  $\mathcal{A}_{P U_3} P X_1 = 0$  always zero, since  $\eta = \{0\}$ . Hence, we obtain that:

**Corollary 3.3** *Let  $F$  be a Clairaut Lagrangian submersion from a locally product Riemannian manifold  $(N, g_N, P)$  onto a Riemannian manifold  $(B, g_B)$  with  $r = e^g$ . Then either the fibres of  $F$  are one dimensional or they are totally geodesic.*

Now, we present example of a Clairaut submersion.

**Example 3.1** Let  $N$  be a Euclidean 3-space defined by  $N = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in R^3 : (x_1, x_2) \neq (0, 0) \text{ and } x_3 \neq 0\}$ .

We consider the product structure  $(P, g_N)$  on  $N$  given by  $g_N = e^{2x_3}(dx_1)^2 + e^{2x_3}(dx_2)^2 + (dx_3)^2$  and  $P(a, b, c) = (a, -b, c)$ .

A  $P$ -basis can be given by  $\{e_1 = e^{-x_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1}, e_2 = e^{-x_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}, e_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}\}$ .

Let  $B$  be  $\{(t, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^2\}$ . We select the metric  $g_B$  on  $B$ ,  $g_B = e^{2x_3}(dt)^2 + (dx_3)^2$ .

Now, we defined a map  $F : (N, P, g_N) \rightarrow (B, g_B)$  by

$$F(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{\sqrt{2}}, x_3 \right).$$

At that time, by direct calculations, we get

$$\ker F_* = \text{span} \left\{ U_1 = \frac{e_1 - e_2}{\sqrt{2}} \right\}$$

and

$$(\ker F_*)^\perp = \text{span} \left\{ X_1 = \frac{e_1 + e_2}{\sqrt{2}}, X_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \right\}.$$

Then, it is simple to see that  $F$  is a Riemannian submersion. Furthermore  $PU_1 = X_1$  implies that  $P(\ker F_*) \subset (\ker F_*)^\perp$ . Consequently,  $F$  is anti-invariant Riemannian submersion. Furthermore, the fibres of  $F$  are frankly completely umbilical, from they are 1-dimensional. In this place, we will find that a  $g \in C^\infty(N)$  filling  $\mathcal{T}_{U_1}U_1 = -\nabla g$ . The Riemannian connection  $\nabla$  of the metric tensor  $g_N$  is given by

$$2g_N(\nabla_{U_1}U_2, U_3) = U_1g_N(U_2, U_3) + U_2g_N(U_1, U_3) - U_3g_N(U_2, U_1) - g_N([U_2, U_3], U_1) - g_N([U_1, U_3], U_2) + g_N(U_3, [U_1, U_2]),$$

for any  $U_1, U_2, U_3 \in \chi(N)$ . Using the above formula for the Riemannian metric  $g_N$ , we can simply calculate that

$$\nabla_{e_1}e_1 = \nabla_{e_2}e_2 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}$$

and

$$\nabla_{e_1}e_2 = \nabla_{e_2}e_1 = 0.$$

Hence, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{U_1}U_1 &= \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_{e_1}e_1 - \nabla_{e_1}e_2 - \nabla_{e_2}e_1 + \nabla_{e_2}e_2) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}. \end{aligned}$$



By (3), we have

$$\mathcal{T}_{U_1}U_1 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}.$$

Moreover, for any  $g \in C^\infty(N)$  the gradient of  $g$  with respect to  $g_N$  is given by

$$\nabla g = \sum_{i,j}^3 g_{ij}^N \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} = e^{-2x_3} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + e^{-2x_3} \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}.$$

At that time, it is simple to see that  $\nabla g = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3}$  for the function  $g = x_3$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{U_1}U_1 = -\nabla g = -x_3$ . In addition to, for all  $U_2 \in \Gamma(\ker F_*)$ , we obtain

$$\mathcal{T}_{U_2}U_2 = -\|U_2\|^2 \nabla g.$$

Hence, by Theorem 3.1, the submersion  $F$  is Clairaut.

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