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A Study on Saccheri Gyroquadrilaterals in Einstein Gyrovector Spaces

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we investigate the relationship between the Lorentz factors of the gyrodistances from a given point P inside a Saccheri gyroquadrilateral $ABCD$ to its vertices within an Einstein gyrovector space.

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1. Introduction

In Euclidean geometry, the British Flag theorem states that if a point P is chosen inside a rectangle $ABCD$ then the sums of squares of the Euclidean distance from P to the two opposite corners of the rectangle equals the sum to the other two opposite corners, that is as an equation[2]

$$AP^2 + CP^2 = BP^2 + DP^2.$$

This theorem is an application of the Pythagorean theorem in plane geometry. Hence the theorem can also be thought as a generalization of the Pythagorean theorem.

Hyperbolic geometry, is known as a type of non-Euclidean geometry that appeared in the first half of the 19th century. Although Euclidean geometry and hyperbolic geometry have common concepts as distance, angle, both these geometries have many different. Hyperbolic Geometry has many models such as: Poincare' disc model, Einstein relativistic velocity model, etc.

Einstein gyrovector spaces form the algebraic setting for the Beltrami-Klein ball model of Hyperbolic Geometry, just as vector spaces form the algebraic setting for the standard model of Euclidean geometry.

Many objects of Euclidean geometry (triangles, squares, paralelograms, conics, etc.) have been studied by various researchers, and the hyperbolic geometric properties of these objects (gyrotriangles, gyrosquares, gyroparalelograms, gyroconics, etc.) have been presented[1,3,4].

In 1733, Milan, Giovanni Giralomo Saccheri wrote *Euclides Vindictus*. In the book Saccheri invented what is now called hyperbolic geometry. The Saccheri hyperbolic quadrilateral, called in gyrolanguage the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral that has two opposing sides that are congruent and perpendicular to a third side in a gyrovector space as shown in Fig. for an Einstein gyrovector space. For more details see [5,9].

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In this paper, we present an equality involving gamma factors of the gyrodistances from a given point $\mathbf{P}$ to the vertices of an $\mathbf{ABCD}$ Sacchari gyroquadrilateral in an Einstein gyrovector space.

2. Preliminaries

In this paper, we study in an Einstein gyrovector space who was introduced by A. A. Ungar[see 6,7,8].

Definition 2.1. (Gyrogroup) A groupoid $(\mathbb{G}, \oplus)$ is a gyrogroup if its binary operation satisfies the following axioms. In $\mathbb{G}$ there is at least one element, $\mathbf{0}$, called left identity, satisfying

$$\mathbf{0} \oplus \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}$$

for all $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{G}$. There is an element $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{G}$ for each $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{G}$ there is an element $\ominus \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{G}$, called a left inverse of $\mathbf{a}$, satisfying

$$\ominus \mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Moreover, for any $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{G}$ there exit a unique element $\text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{G}$ such that binary operation obeys the left gyroassociative law

$$\mathbf{a} \oplus (\mathbf{b} \oplus \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{b}) \oplus \text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]\mathbf{c}.$$

The map $\text{gyr}: \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ is given by $\mathbf{c} \mapsto \text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]\mathbf{c}$ is an automorphism of the groupoid $(\mathbb{G}, \oplus)$, that is,

$$\text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}] \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{G}, \oplus)$$

and the automorphism $\text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}]$ of automorphism of $\mathbb{G}$ is called the gyroautomorphism of $\mathbb{G}$ generated by $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{G}$. Finally, the gyroautomorphism of $\mathbb{G}$ generated by $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{G}$ possesses the left loop property

$$\text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}] = \text{gyr}[\mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{b}].$$

Additionally, if the binary operation " $\oplus$ " obeys the gyrocommutative law

$$\mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{b} = \text{gyr}[\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}](\mathbf{b} \oplus \mathbf{a})$$

for all $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{G}$, then $(\mathbb{G}, \oplus)$ is called a gyrocommutative gyrogroup.

Definition 2.2. (Einstein addition $\oplus$) Let $\mathbb{V}$ be a real inner product space and let $\mathbb{V}_s$ be the s -ball of $\mathbb{V}$,

$$\mathbb{V}_s = \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V} : \|\mathbf{v}\| < s\},$$

where $s > 0$ is an arbitrary fixed constant. Einstein addition $\oplus$ is a binary operation in $\mathbb{V}_s$ given by the equation

$$\mathbf{u} \oplus \mathbf{v} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{s^2}} \left\{ \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}} \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{s^2} \frac{\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}}{1 + \gamma_{\mathbf{u}}} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{v} \right\}$$

where $\gamma_{\mathbf{u}}$ is the gamma factor

$$\gamma_{\mathbf{u}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{\|\mathbf{u}\|^2}{s^2}}} \geq 1$$

in the s -ball $\mathbb{V}_s$, and where $\cdot$ and $\|\cdot\|$ are the inner product and norm that the ball $\mathbb{V}_s$ inherits from its space $\mathbb{V}$.

In the Newtonian limit, $s \rightarrow \infty$, s -ball $\mathbb{R}_s^n$ expands to the whole of its space $\mathbb{R}^n$, and Einstein addition $\oplus$ in $\mathbb{R}_s^n$ reduces to vector addition $+$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Theorem 2.3. $(\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus)$ Einstein groupoid is a gyrocommutative gyrogroup.

Some gyrocommutative gyrogroups admit scalar multiplication, giving rise to gyrovector spaces.

Definition 2.4. (Gyrovector spaces) A $(\mathbb{G}, \oplus, \otimes)$ gyrovector space is a gyrocommutative gyrogroup $(\mathbb{G}, \oplus)$ that obeys the following axioms:

1. $\text{gyr}[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]\mathbf{a} \cdot \text{gyr}[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}]\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ for all points $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{G}$.

2. $\mathbb{G}$ admits a scalar multiplication, $\otimes$, possessing following properties. For all real numbers $r, r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and all points $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{G}$:

- $1 \otimes \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}$
- $(r_1 + r_2) \otimes \mathbf{a} = (r_1 \otimes \mathbf{a}) \oplus (r_2 \otimes \mathbf{a})$
- $(r_1 r_2) \otimes \mathbf{a} = r_1 \otimes (r_2 \otimes \mathbf{a})$
- $\frac{|r| \otimes \mathbf{a}}{\|r \otimes \mathbf{a}\|} = \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|} \quad \mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}, r \neq 0$
- $\text{gyr}[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}](r \otimes \mathbf{a}) = r \otimes \text{gyr}[\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}](\mathbf{a})$
- $\text{gyr}[r_1 \otimes \mathbf{v}, r_2 \otimes \mathbf{v}] = I$

3. Real vector space structure $(\|\mathbb{G}\|, \oplus, \otimes)$ for the set $\|\mathbb{G}\|$ of one-dimensional "vectors"

$$\|\mathbb{G}\| := \{\mp \|\mathbf{a}\| : \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{G}\} \subset \mathbb{R}$$

with vector addition $\oplus$ and scalar multiplication $\otimes$, such that for all $r \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{G}$,

- $\|r \otimes \mathbf{a}\| = |r| \otimes \|\mathbf{a}\|$
- $\|\mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{b}\| \leq \|\mathbf{a}\| \oplus \|\mathbf{b}\|$

Theorem 2.5. An Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$ is an Einstein gyrocommutative gyrogroup $(\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus)$ with scalar multiplication $\otimes$ given by

$$r \otimes \mathbf{v} = s \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\|\mathbf{v}\|}{s}\right)^r - \left(1 - \frac{\|\mathbf{v}\|}{s}\right)^r}{\left(1 + \frac{\|\mathbf{v}\|}{s}\right)^r + \left(1 - \frac{\|\mathbf{v}\|}{s}\right)^r} \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \text{stanh}(r \tanh^{-1} \frac{\|\mathbf{v}\|}{s}) \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$$

Definition 2.6. (Gyrodistance) Let $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$ be an Einstein gyrovector space. Its gyrometric is given by the gyrodistance function $d_{\oplus} : \mathbb{R}_s^n \times \mathbb{R}_s^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\geq 0} := \{r \in \mathbb{R} : r \geq 0\}$,

$$d_{\oplus}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) = \|\ominus \mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{b}\| = \|\mathbf{b} \ominus \mathbf{a}\|$$

where $d_{\oplus}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ is the gyrodistance of $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$.

Definition 2.7. (Gyroline-Gyroline segment) The unique Einstein gyroline L_{AB} that passes two given points A and B in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$ is represented by the equation

$$L_{AB} = A \oplus (\ominus A \oplus B) \otimes t$$

$t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Definition 2.8. (Gyroangle) Let $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}_s^n$ be three distinct points and $\ominus A \oplus B$, $\ominus A \oplus C$ be two rooted gyrovectors with a common tail A . They include the gyroangle $\alpha = \angle BAC = \angle CAB$, the radian measure of which is given by the equation

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{\ominus A \oplus B}{\|\ominus A \oplus B\|} \cdot \frac{\ominus A \oplus C}{\|\ominus A \oplus C\|}.$$

Definition 2.9. (Gyrotriangle). A gyrotriangle ABC in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$ is a object formed by the three points $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}_s^n$, called the vertices of the triangle, and the gyrovectors $\ominus A \oplus B$, $\ominus B \oplus C$ and $\ominus C \oplus A$, called the sides of the triangle. These are respectively, the sides opposite to the vertices C, A and B . The gyrotriangle sides generate the three gyrotriangle gyroangles α, β and γ at the respective vertices A, B and C .

Theorem 2.10. (Law of Gyrocossine) Let ABC be a gyrotriangle in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$, with vertices $A, B, C \in \mathbb{R}_s^n$, and sides $c = \ominus A \oplus B$, $a = \ominus B \oplus C$ and $b = \ominus C \oplus A$, with gyroangles α, β and γ at the vertices A, B and C . Then we have the law of gyrocossines

$$\gamma_c = \gamma_a \gamma_b (1 - b_s c_s \cos \gamma)$$

where $a = \|\mathbf{a}\|, b = \|\mathbf{b}\|, c = \|\mathbf{c}\|$ and $b_s = b/s$, etc.

Definition 2.11. (Right Gyroangle) A right gyroangle γ is a gyroangle measuring $\frac{\pi}{2}$ radians.

Theorem 2.12. A gyrotriangle ABC in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$ is a right gyrotriangle with gyrolegs $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ and gyrohypotenuse $\mathbf{c}$, if and only if

$$\gamma_c = \gamma_a \gamma_b.$$

Theorem 2.13. (Side-Side-Side (SSS) Gyrotriangle Congruence Theorem) If, in two triangles, three sides of one are congruent to three sides of the other, then the two gyrotriangles are congruent.

Theorem 2.14. (Side-gyroAngle-Side (SAS) Gyrotriangle Congruence Theorem) If, in two triangles, two sides and the included gyroangle of one, are congruent to two sides and the included gyroangle of the other, then the two gyrotriangles are congruent.

3. Saccheri Gyroquadrilaterals

Definition 3.1. Saccheri gyroquadrilateral is a gyroquadrilateral that has two opposing sides that are congruent and perpendicular to a third side in a gyrovector space, as shown Fig. 3.1. for an Einstein gyrovector space. The congruent gyrosegments **AD** and **BC** are the sides, or legs, of Saccheri gyroquadrilateral. The gyrosegment **AB** is the base and the gyrosegment **CD** is the summit of the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral. The gyroangles $\angle ADC$ and $\angle BCD$, called the summit gyroangles of the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral.

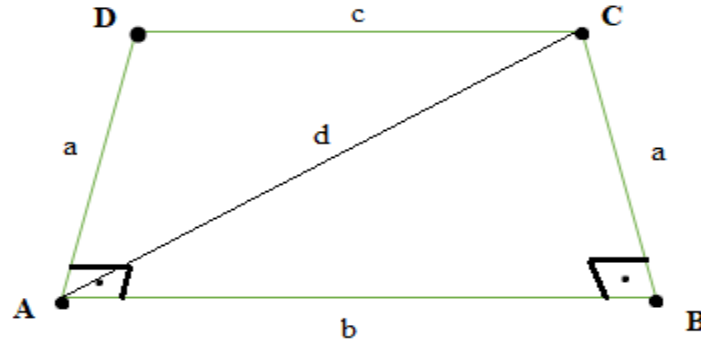


Fig. 3.1. The Saccheri Gyroquadrilateral in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$

The two gyrodiagonals, **AC** and **BD**, of the gyroquadrilateral **ABCD** on the base **AB** in Fig. 3.1. have equal gyrolengths of the gyroquadrilateral **ABCD** have equal measures by SSS congruency, Theorem 8.31. Let α be the measure of each of the two summit gyroangles of the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral **ABCD** on the base **AB** in Fig. 3.1,

$$\alpha = \angle ADC = \angle BCD.$$

Furthermore, as shown in Fig. 3.1., a is the gyrolength of each of the congruent sides, **AD** and **BC** of the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral **ABCD**, b is the gyrolength of its base, c is the gyrolength of its summit, and d is the gyrolength of each of its two gyrodiagonals. In symbols,

$$a = \|\ominus B \oplus C\| = \|\ominus A \oplus D\|$$

$$d = \|\ominus A \oplus C\| = \|\ominus B \oplus D\|$$

$$b = \|\ominus A \oplus B\|$$

$$c = \|\ominus D \oplus C\|$$

Theorem 3.5. Let **ABCD** be a Saccheri gyroquadrilateral on the base **AB** in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$, with base gyrolength b and sides gyrolength a in Fig. . Then, each of its gyrodiagonals has gyrolength d , its summit has gyrolength c , and each of its summit gyroangles has measure α , where

$$d_s = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_a^2 \gamma_b^2 - 1}}{\gamma_a \gamma_b},$$

$$c_s = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_b - 1} \sqrt{2 + \gamma_a^2 (\gamma_b - 1)}}{1 + \gamma_a^2 (\gamma_b - 1)} \gamma_a$$

and

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_a^2 - 1} \sqrt{\gamma_b - 1}}{\sqrt{2 + \gamma_a^2 (\gamma_b - 1)}}$$

Furthermore,

$$\gamma_a^2 = \frac{\gamma_c - 1}{\gamma_b - 1}$$

and

$$c > b.$$

4. Main Result

As an application of Einsteinian-Pythagorean identities and in Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$, we verify the following theorem:

Theorem 4.1. Let $ABCD$ be a Saccheri gyroquadrilateral on the base AB in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$, with base gyrolength b , sides gyrolength a , base gyrolength b , gyrodagonal gyrolength d , summit gyrolength c in Fig. 4.1., and the P be a point inside the $ABCD$ Saccheri gyroquadrilateral. Then,

$$\gamma_t \gamma_y - \gamma_x \gamma_z = (1 + \gamma_x \gamma_y)(\gamma_y - \gamma_x) \quad (4.1)$$

and

$$\gamma_z(\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_x^2)^2 = \gamma_x^3(\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_z^2 - \gamma_x) \quad (4.2)$$

where $\|\ominus A \oplus P\| = x$, $\|\ominus B \oplus P\| = y$, $\|\ominus C \oplus P\| = z$, $\|\ominus D \oplus P\| = t$.

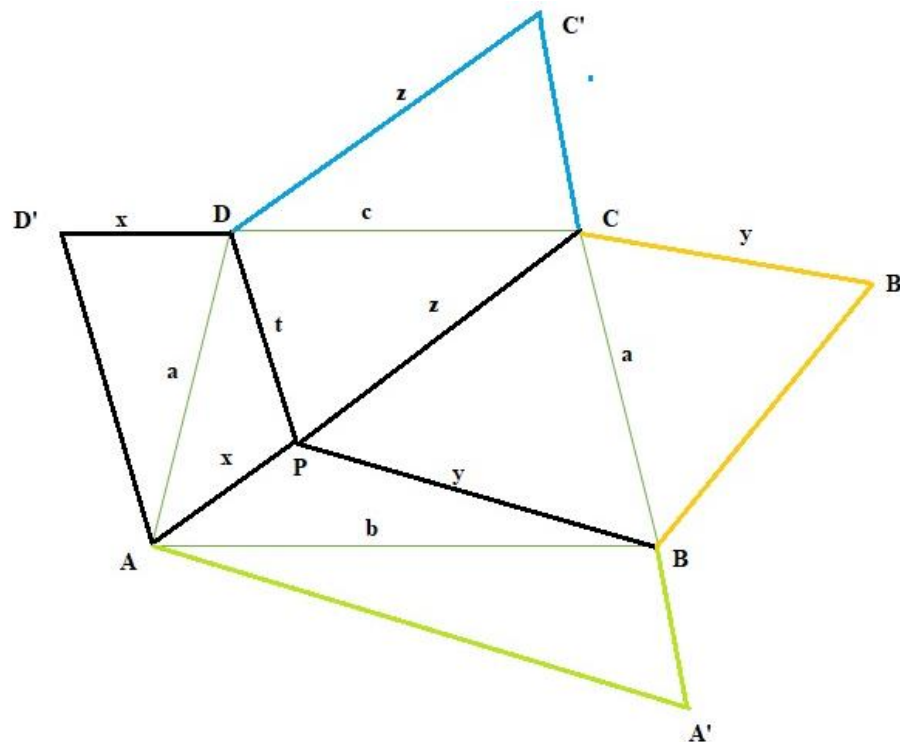


Fig. 4.1. The Saccheri Gyroquadrilateral

Proof : Let $ABCD$ be a Saccheri gyroquadrilateral on the base AB in an Einstein gyrovector space $\mathbb{R}_s^n = (\mathbb{R}_s^n, \oplus, \otimes)$, with base gyrolength b and sides gyrolength a , and P be a point inside the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral $ABCD$. Let us connect point P to the vertices of Saccheri gyroquadrilateral $ABCD$ with gyroline segments, and gyrolength of these gyroline segments x, y, z and t . In symbols

$$\|\ominus A \oplus P\| = x, \|\ominus B \oplus P\| = y, \|\ominus C \oplus P\| = z, \|\ominus D \oplus P\| = t. \quad (4.3)$$

Then by the gyrocosine theorem, Theorem 2.10. and by the Einstein-Pythagoras identity, Theorem 2.12. a point D' can be determined such that the gyrotriangles $D'PD$ and DPA are congruent, and the gyroline segment AD' is perpendicular to the gyrosegments $D'D$ and AP . Thus we get a Saccheri gyroquadrilateral $APDD'$ on the base AD' , with base gyrolength $\|\ominus A \oplus P\|$, sides gyrolength x , gyrodagonal gyrolength a , and summit gyrolength t .

On the other hand from Theorem 2.12 and Theorem 3.1, for the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral $ABCD$ we have

$$\gamma_a = \frac{\gamma_c - 1 + \gamma_a^2}{\gamma_a} \quad (4.4)$$

Hence by the (4.4), for the Saccheri gyroquadrilateral $APDD'$

$$\gamma_a = \frac{\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_x^2}{\gamma_x} \quad (4.5)$$

Similary, we can obtain Saccheri gyroquadrilaterals $AA'BP$, $BB'CP$ and $CC'DP$. Hence we can apply Theorem 3.5. to these Saccheri gyroquadrilaterals one by one. Then we have, respectively,

$$\gamma_b = \frac{\gamma_y - 1 + \gamma_x^2}{\gamma_x}, \quad (4.6)$$

$$\gamma_a = \frac{\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_y^2}{\gamma_y}, \quad (4.7)$$

$$\gamma_c = \frac{\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_z^2}{\gamma_z}. \quad (4.8)$$

Thus from (4.5) and (4.7), we obtain that

$$\gamma_t \gamma_y - \gamma_x \gamma_z = (1 + \gamma_x \gamma_y)(\gamma_y - \gamma_x) \quad (4.9)$$

Finally, from (4.4) we have

$$\gamma_z(\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_x^2)^2 = \gamma_x^3(\gamma_t - 1 + \gamma_z^2 - \gamma_z). \quad (4.10)$$

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