

Hyperbolic Fourth- \mathbf{R} Quadratic Equation and Holomorphic Fourth- \mathbf{R} Polynomials

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The algebra $\mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3)$, $j^4 = -1$ of the fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers, or in other words the algebra of the double-complex numbers $\mathbf{C}(1, j)$ and the corresponding functions, were studied in the papers of S. Dimiev and al. (see [1], [2], [3], [4]). The hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers form other similar to $\mathbf{C}(1, j)$ algebra with zero divisors. In this note the square roots of hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers and hyperbolic complex numbers are found. The quadratic equation with hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} coefficients and variables is solved. The Cauchy-Riemann system for holomorphicity of fourth- \mathbf{R} functions is recalled. Holomorphic homogeneous polynomials of fourth- \mathbf{R} variables are listed.

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1. Fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers and hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers

The algebra of fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers is defined as follows

$$\mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3) = \{x = x_0 + jx_1 + j^2x_2 + j^3x_3, j^4 = -1\},$$

where x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3 are real numbers and j is a formal symbol with the property $j^4 = -1$, $j^0 = 1$, $j \notin \mathbf{C}$. The addition and multiplication with scalar are componentwise, and multiplication of fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers is made by the rule of opening of brackets, using the identities for the symbol j , namely

$$xy = x_0y_0 - x_1y_3 - x_2y_2 - x_3y_1 + (x_0y_1 + x_1y_0 - x_2y_3 - x_3y_2)j \\ + (x_0y_2 + x_1y_1 + x_2y_0 - x_3y_3)j^2 + (x_0y_3 + x_1y_2 + x_2y_1 + x_3y_0)j^3.$$

This algebra is associative and commutative one, but it has zero divisors. Such are for example the numbers $x(1 + j^2 + \sqrt{2}j)$ and $x(1 + j^2 - \sqrt{2}j)$ for each

fourth- \mathbf{R} number x . The algebra $\mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3)$ is isomorphic to the algebra of double-complex numbers $\mathbf{C}(1, j)$, which consists of couples of complex numbers $(z, w) = z + jw$ with specific multiplication, ruled by the same formal symbol j . More precisely,

$$\mathbf{C}(1, j) = \{\alpha = z + jw, j^4 = -1, z, w \in \mathbf{C}\},$$

i.e. z, w are complex numbers and j is a formal symbol with the property $j^4 = -1, j^0 = 1, j \notin \mathbf{C}$.

The algebra of the hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers is the following one

$$\mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3) = \{x = x_0 + jx_1 + j^2x_2 + j^3x_3, j^4 = +1\},$$

where x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3 are real numbers and j is a formal symbol with the property $j^4 = +1, j^0 = 1, j \notin \mathbf{C}$. It is endowed with a structure of a commutative and associative algebra with respect to the (open brackets) multiplication using the identities $j^{k+4} = j^k, k = 0, 1, \dots$ and $j^0 = 1, j^4 = +1$ for the symbol j :

$$\begin{aligned} xy &= x_0y_0 + x_1y_3 + x_2y_2 + x_3y_1 + (x_0y_1 + x_1y_0 + x_2y_3 + x_3y_2)j \\ &+ (x_0y_2 + x_1y_1 + x_2y_0 + x_3y_3)j^2 + (x_0y_3 + x_1y_2 + x_2y_1 + x_3y_0)j^3, \end{aligned}$$

where $x = x_0 + jx_1 + j^2x_2 + j^3x_3$ and $y = y_0 + jy_1 + j^2y_2 + j^3y_3, x_k, y_k \in \mathbf{R}$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$. Here the addition and the multiplication with scalar from \mathbf{R} are componentwise. This algebra has divisors of zero, too.

The idea of fourth- \mathbf{R} numbers, in more general form, appears for the first time in the framework of Kazan geometric school [5] with formal level for j . A matrix representation of the formal symbols j, j^2, j^3, j^4 was developed in [3], [4] and in definite form, separating the hyperbolic case $j^4 = +1$ from the elliptic one $j^4 = -1$, in [1].

2. Hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} square roots and hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} quadratic equation

First we shall consider the hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} square root

$$\sqrt{m_0 + jm_1 + j^2m_2 + j^3m_3}, \quad (1)$$

of the hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} number $m = m_0 + jm_1 + j^2m_2 + j^3m_3 \in \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3), j^4 = +1, m_k \in \mathbf{R}$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$. For this purpose we shall consider the quadratic equation

$$a^2 = m_0 + jm_1 + j^2m_2 + j^3m_3, \quad (2)$$

where $a = a_0 + ja_1 + j^2a_2 + j^3a_3 \in \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3), j^4 = +1, a_k \in \mathbf{R}$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$ is a hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} number. The equation (2) is equivalent to the following system of four second degree equations with real variables:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I) } a_0^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_3 &= m_0, & \text{II) } 2a_0a_1 + 2a_2a_3 &= m_1, \\ \text{III) } 2a_0a_2 + a_3^2 + a_1^2 &= m_2, & \text{IV) } 2a_0a_3 + 2a_1a_2 &= m_3, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

which arises from the equalities $a^2 = (a_0 + ja_1 + j^2a_2 + j^3a_3)^2 = a_0^2 + a_2^2 + 2a_1a_3 + j(2a_0a_1 + 2a_2a_3) + j^2(2a_0a_2 + a_3^2 + a_1^2) + j^3(2a_0a_3 + 2a_1a_2) = m_0 + jm_1 + j^2m_2 + j^3m_3$.

The sums and the differences of the equations I) and III), and II) and IV) in (3), respectively, gives the following system of four real quadratic equations

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } (a_0 + a_2)^2 + (a_1 + a_3)^2 &= m_0 + m_2, \\ \text{ii) } 2(a_0 + a_2)(a_1 + a_3) &= m_1 + m_3, \\ \text{iii) } (a_0 - a_2)^2 - (a_1 - a_3)^2 &= m_0 - m_2, \\ \text{iv) } 2(a_0 - a_2)(a_1 - a_3) &= m_1 - m_3. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Then the sum of the equations i) and ii) and the difference between i) and ii) in (4) gives, respectively,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } (a_0 + a_2 + a_1 + a_3)^2 &= m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3 \\ \text{b) } (a_0 + a_2 - a_1 - a_3)^2 &= m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

The necessary condition for existing of the square root

$$m_0 + m_2 \geq |m_1 + m_3| \quad (6)$$

arises from (5).

Let us introduce the variables X and Y in the following way:

$$X := a_0 - a_2, \quad Y := a_1 - a_3. \quad (7)$$

The equations iii) and iv) from (4) in these variables seems as follows:

$$X^2 - Y^2 = m_0 - m_2, \quad 2XY = m_1 - m_3. \quad (8)$$

Solving this auxiliary system, we obtain the equations

$$Y = \frac{m_1 - m_3}{2X}, \quad X^2 - \frac{(m_1 - m_3)^2}{4X^2} = m_0 - m_2, \quad \text{for } m_1 \neq m_3. \quad (9)$$

The equation of fourth degree $4X^4 - 4(m_0 - m_2)X^2 = (m_1 - m_3)^2$ can be written also as $(2X^2 - m_0 + m_2)^2 = (m_1 - m_3)^2 + (m_0 - m_2)^2$, from where we obtain

$$2X^2 = m_0 - m_2 \pm \sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2}. \quad (10)$$

As we look for the real solutions of the system (3) of 4 equations of second degree, the sign minus in the formula (10) does not give a solution. So we obtain the following two real solutions for X and two real solutions for Y , respectively,

$$X = \varepsilon \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} + m_0 - m_2}, \quad (11)$$

$$Y = \varepsilon \operatorname{sign}(m_1 - m_3) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} - (m_0 - m_2)},$$

where $\varepsilon = \pm 1$.

We consider again the system of equations (5). As the condition (6) holds, it is fulfilled $m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3 \geq 0$ and $m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3 \geq 0$ and

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_2 + a_1 + a_3 &= \varepsilon_1 \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} \\ a_0 + a_2 - a_1 - a_3 &= \varepsilon_2 \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3}, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 = \pm 1$ and the roots in the right hand sides are the arithmetic roots of the corresponding real nonnegative numbers.

From the system (12), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_2 &= \frac{\varepsilon_1}{2} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} + \frac{\varepsilon_2}{2} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3}, \\ a_1 + a_3 &= \frac{\varepsilon_1}{2} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{2} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3}, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 = \pm 1$.

The following real numbers a_0, a_1, a_2 and a_3 are obtained by the expression for X and Y in (7) and the equalities (13)

$$\begin{aligned} a_0(\varepsilon, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) &= \frac{\varepsilon_1}{4} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} + \frac{\varepsilon_2}{4} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} + m_0 - m_2}, \\ a_1(\varepsilon, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) &= \frac{\varepsilon_1}{4} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{4} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon \operatorname{sign}(m_1 - m_3)}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} - (m_0 - m_2)}, \\ a_2(\varepsilon, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) &= \frac{\varepsilon_1}{4} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} + \frac{\varepsilon_2}{4} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3} \\ &\quad - \frac{\varepsilon}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} + m_0 - m_2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$a_3(\varepsilon, \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) = \frac{\varepsilon_1}{4} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} - \frac{\varepsilon_2}{4} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3}$$

$$-\frac{\varepsilon \operatorname{sign}(m_1 - m_3)}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} - (m_0 - m_2)},$$

where $\varepsilon, \varepsilon_1$ and $\varepsilon_2 = \pm 1$ and $\operatorname{sign}(x)$ denotes the real-valued function of real variable: $\operatorname{sign}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } x > 0, \\ 0 & \text{when } x = 0, \\ -1 & \text{when } x < 0. \end{cases}$

So we obtain the formula for the square root in the case $m_1 \neq m_3$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) &= \sqrt{m_0 + jm_1 + j^2m_2 + j^3m_3} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon_1(1 + j + j^2 + j^3)}{4} \sqrt{m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_3} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_2(1 - j + j^2 - j^3)}{4} \sqrt{m_0 - m_1 + m_2 - m_3} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon(1 - j^2)}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} + m_0 - m_2} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon j(1 - j^2) \operatorname{sign}(m_1 - m_3)}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sqrt{(m_0 - m_2)^2 + (m_1 - m_3)^2} - (m_0 - m_2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1. The case $m_1 = m_3 = 0$ is consider in part 3 below. In the case $m_1 = m_3 \neq 0$ we obtain the following square roots of the fourth-**R** number $m_0 + j^2m_2 + j(1 + j^2)m_1$:

$$\begin{aligned} a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) &= \sqrt{m_0 + j^2m_2 + j(1 + j^2)m_1} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon j(1 - j^2)}{2} \sqrt{m_2 - m_0} + \frac{\varepsilon_1(1 + j^2)}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m_0 + m_2 + \varepsilon_2 \sqrt{(m_0 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1^2}} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_1 j(1 - j^2) \operatorname{sign} m_1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m_0 + m_2 - \varepsilon_2 \sqrt{(m_0 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1^2}} \end{aligned}$$

in the case $m_2 > |m_0|$, $m_0 + m_2 > 2|m_1|$ and

$$\begin{aligned} a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) &= \sqrt{m_0 + j^2m_2 + j(1 + j^2)m_1} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon(1 + j^2)}{2} \sqrt{m_0 - m_2} + \frac{\varepsilon_1 j(1 + j^2)}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m_0 + m_2 + \varepsilon_2 \sqrt{(m_0 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1^2}} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_1(1 - j^2) \operatorname{sign} m_1}{2\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m_0 + m_2 - \varepsilon_2 \sqrt{(m_0 + m_2)^2 - 4m_1^2}} \end{aligned}$$

in the case $m_0 > |m_2|$, $m_0 + m_2 > 2|m_1|$, where the numbers $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2$ and ε are equal to ± 1 .

In the case $m_0 = m_1 = m_2 = m_3 > 0$, the square root $\sqrt{m_0(1+j+j^2+j^3)}$ is equal to $\varepsilon \frac{m_0}{2}(1+j+j^2+j^3)$.

In other cases square root of the corresponding fourth- \mathbf{R} number does not exist.

Theorem 1. *The quadratic equation*

$$x^2 + px + q = 0$$

with hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} coefficients $p, q \in \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3)$, $j^4 = +1$, $p = p_0 + jp_1 + j^2p_2 + j^3p_3$, $q = q_0 + jq_1 + j^2q_2 + j^3q_3$, $p_k, q_k \in \mathbf{R}$ for $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$, which satisfies the conditions

$$(p_0 + p_1 + p_2 + p_3)^2 \geq 4(q_0 + q_1 + q_2 + q_3), \quad (p_0 - p_1 + p_2 - p_3)^2 \geq 4(q_0 - q_1 + q_2 - q_3)$$

has the following solutions

$$x_+(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) = -\frac{p}{2} + a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) \quad \text{and} \quad x_-(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) = -\frac{p}{2} - a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon),$$

where

$$a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon) = \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - q}$$

are the given above hyperbolic fourth- \mathbf{R} square roots of the discriminant $\frac{p^2}{4} - q$.

3. Hyperbolic complex square root

Let us consider the hyperbolic complex numbers, forming two dimensional commutative, associative algebra with zero divisors

$$\tilde{\mathbf{C}} := \{x_0 + j^2x_2, j^4 = 1, x_0, x_2 \in \mathbf{R}\}.$$

The algebra $\tilde{\mathbf{C}}$ has as zero divisors the elements $x + j^2x$ and $x - j^2x$, where $x \in \mathbf{R}$. Let us consider the quadratic equation $(a_0 + j^2a_2)^2 = m_0 + j^2m_2$, i.e. this is the equation (2) with conditions $a_1 = a_3 = 0$ and $m_1 = m_3 = 0$. It is equivalent to the system of two equation of second order

$$a_0^2 + a_2^2 = m_0, \quad 2a_0a_2 = m_2. \quad (14)$$

Then, for the hyperbolic complex square roots are obtained the equations

$$(a_0 + a_2)^2 = m_0 + m_2, \quad (a_0 - a_2)^2 = m_0 - m_2. \quad (15)$$

So $m_0 + m_2 \geq 0$ and $m_0 - m_2 \geq 0$, i.e. $m_0 \geq |m_2|$, is a necessary condition for the existing of the square root of the hyperbolic complex number $m_0 + j^2m_2$.

It is fulfilled

$$a_0 + a_2 = \varepsilon_1 \sqrt{m_0 + m_2}, \quad a_0 - a_2 = \varepsilon_2 \sqrt{m_0 - m_2},$$

where ε_1 and $\varepsilon_2 = \pm 1$.

Then the asking square roots are the numbers

$$a(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) = \frac{\varepsilon_1(1+j^2)}{2}\sqrt{m_0+m_2} + \frac{\varepsilon_2(1-j^2)}{2}\sqrt{m_0-m_2}.$$

So we obtain four different hyperbolic complex square roots of the hyperbolic complex number $m_0 + j^2 m_2$ such that $m_0 \geq |m_2|$.

4. Fourth- \mathbf{R} holomorphy

The holomorphic fourth- \mathbf{R} -functions

$$f : \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3),$$

$j^4 = -1$, are defined in terms of the classical conditions about the differential df . Namely, it is fulfilled

$$df = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \alpha} d\alpha + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta} d\beta + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \alpha^*} d\alpha + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta^*} d\beta^*$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \alpha} &:= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_0} - j^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \right), & \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta} &:= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} - j^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} \right), \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \alpha^*} &:= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_0} + j^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \right), & \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta^*} &:= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} + j^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where $j^4 = -1$.

The condition for holomorphicity is the following equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \alpha^*} d\alpha^* + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \beta^*} d\beta^* = 0, \quad (17)$$

which implies the basic holomorphicity Cauchy-Riemann type system of PDE of first order (see [2]):

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_0} + j^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} + j^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_3} = 0, \quad x_k \in \mathbf{R}, \quad j^4 = -1. \quad (18)$$

5. Holomorphic homogeneous fourth- \mathbf{R} polynomials

5.1. Holomorphic homogeneous fourth- \mathbf{R} polynomials of first degree

Theorem 2. *A homogeneous fourth- \mathbf{R} polynomial of first degree P is holomorphic, iff it is of the kind*

$$P = P(x_0 + j^2 x_2) + Q(x_1 + j^2 x_3), \quad (19)$$

where $P, Q \in \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3)$, $j^4 = -1$.

Proof. Let us consider the homogeneous fourth- \mathbf{R} valued polynomial of first degree

$$P = Ax_0 + Bx_1 + Cx_2 + Dx_3,$$

where $A, B, C, D \in \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3)$, $j^4 = -1$ and x_0, x_1, x_2 and x_3 are real variables. The conditions for holomorphicity (18) gives the following equalities

$$0 = \frac{\partial(Ax_0 + Bx_1 + Cx_2 + Dx_3)}{\partial x_0} + j^2 \frac{\partial(Ax_0 + Bx_1 + Cx_2 + Dx_3)}{\partial x_2} = A + j^2 C,$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial(Ax_0 + Bx_1 + Cx_2 + Dx_3)}{\partial x_1} + j^2 \frac{\partial(Ax_0 + Bx_1 + Cx_2 + Dx_3)}{\partial x_3} = B + j^2 D.$$

So the holomorphic homogeneous polynomials of first degree are of the kind

$$P = P(x_0 + j^2 x_2) + Q(x_1 + j^2 x_3),$$

where $P = A = -j^2 C$ and $Q = B = -j^2 D$. Conversely, it is clear that such polynomials satisfy the system (18). This proves Theorem 2. \blacksquare

5.2. Holomorphic homogeneous fourth- \mathbf{R} polynomials of degree n

Theorem 3. *A homogeneous fourth- \mathbf{R} polynomial P of degree n is holomorphic iff it is of the following kind*

$$P = \sum_{k=0}^n C_k (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^k (x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-k}, \quad (20)$$

where $C_k \in \mathbf{R}(1, j, j^2, j^3)$, $j^4 = -1$, for $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$.

Proof. First let us check that the polynomial of n -th degree

$$P = \sum_{k=0}^n C_k (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^k (x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-k}$$

satisfies the system (18). It is fulfilled

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_0} + j^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_2} &= \sum_{k=0}^n k C_k (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^{k-1} (x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-k} \\ &+ j^2 \sum_{k=0}^n k C_k (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^{k-1} j^2 (x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_1} + j^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_3} &= \sum_{k=0}^n (n-k) C_k (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^k (x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-k-1} \\ &+ j^2 \sum_{k=0}^n (n-k) C_k (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^k (x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-k-1} j^2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So all polynomials of the considered kind are solutions of the system (18).

Now let $P(x_0 + jx_1 + j^2x_2 + j^3x_3)$ be a holomorphic homogeneous fourth-**R** polynomial of degree n , i.e.

$$P = \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{l=0}^{n-k} \sum_{m=0}^{n-k-l} a_{klm} x_0^k x_1^l x_2^m x_3^{n-k-l-m},$$

and let it satisfy the system (18), from where

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_0} + j^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_2} = \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} \sum_{m=0}^{n-k-l} a_{klm} k x_0^{k-1} x_1^l x_2^m x_3^{n-k-l-m} \\ &\quad + j^2 \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^{n-l} \sum_{m=0}^{n-k-l} a_{klm} m x_0^k x_1^l x_2^{m-1} x_3^{n-k-l-m} \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^{n-l-1} \sum_{m=0}^{n-k-l-1} ((k+1)a_{k+1lm} + j^2(m+1)a_{klm+1}) x_0^k x_1^l x_2^m x_3^{n-k-l-m}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$(k+1)a_{k+1lm} + j^2(m+1)a_{klm+1} = 0$$

and

$$a_{k+1lm} = -j^2 \frac{m+1}{k+1} a_{klm+1} \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \quad \text{and } m = 0, 1, \dots, n-k-l-1.$$

Repeating this calculation, we obtain

$$a_{klm} = (-j^2)^k \frac{(m+1)(m+2)\dots(m+k)}{k(k-1)\dots 1} a_{0lm+k} = \binom{m+k}{k} (-j^2)^k a_{0lm+k}.$$

Setting $p = m + k$, the polynomial P looks like as follows

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{p=0}^{n-l} a_{0lp} \sum_{k=0}^p \binom{p}{k} (-j^2 x_0)^k x_2^{p-k} x_1^l x_3^{n-l-p} \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^n \sum_{p=0}^{n-l} a_{0lp} (-j^2)^p (x_0 + j^2 x_2)^p x_1^l x_3^{n-l-p}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the second equation $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_1} + j^2 \frac{\partial P}{\partial x_3} = 0$ from (18) for the so obtained polynomial P , we obtain a second term $(x_1 + j^2 x_3)^{n-p}$ for the variable $x_1 + j^2 x_3$ and this complete the proof of the theorem. \blacksquare

Remark. The algebra of a kind of quaternion polynomials was studied by the Bulgarian mathematician L. Tchakalov (1924) in [6].

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