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We explicitly calculate the Riemannian curvature of  $D$ -dimensional metrics recently discussed by Chen, Lü and Pope. We find that it can be concisely written by using a single function. The Einstein condition which corresponds to the Kerr–NUT–de Sitter metric is clarified for all dimensions. It is shown that the metrics are of type D.

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**1. Introduction**

In recent years, studies of exact solutions to the higher dimensional Einstein equations have attracted much attention in the context of supergravity and superstring theories [1–6]. Here, we revisit a class of  $D$ -dimensional metrics discussed by Chen, Lü and Pope [6]:

(a)  $D = 2n$ 

$$g = \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{dx_{\mu}^2}{Q_{\mu}} + \sum_{\mu=1}^n Q_{\mu} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_{\mu}^{(k)} d\psi_k \right)^2, \quad (1.1)$$

(b)  $D = 2n + 1$ 

$$g = \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{dx_{\mu}^2}{Q_{\mu}} + \sum_{\mu=1}^n Q_{\mu} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_{\mu}^{(k)} d\psi_k \right)^2 + S \left( \sum_{k=0}^n A^{(k)} d\psi_k \right)^2. \quad (1.2)$$

The functions  $Q_{\mu}$  ( $\mu = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) are given by

$$Q_{\mu} = \frac{X_{\mu}}{U_{\mu}}, \quad U_{\mu} = \prod_{\substack{v=1 \\ (v \neq \mu)}}^n (x_{\mu}^2 - x_v^2), \quad (1.3)$$

where  $X_\mu$  is an arbitrary function depending only on  $x_\mu$ . The remaining functions are

$$A_\mu^{(k)} = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq v_1 < v_2 < \dots < v_k \leq n \\ (v_i \neq \mu)}} x_{v_1}^2 x_{v_2}^2 \dots x_{v_k}^2, \quad A^{(k)} = \sum_{1 \leq v_1 < v_2 < \dots < v_k \leq n} x_{v_1}^2 x_{v_2}^2 \dots x_{v_k}^2, \quad (1.4)$$

( $A_\mu^{(0)} = A^{(0)} = 1$ ) and  $S = c/A^{(n)}$  with a constant  $c$ . It has been shown by means of computer calculation that the metrics satisfy the Einstein equations  $Ric(g) = \Lambda g$  for dimensions  $D \leq 15$  if  $X_\mu$  takes the form

(a)  $D = 2n$

$$X_\mu = \sum_{k=0}^n c_{2k} x_\mu^{2k} + b_\mu x_\mu, \quad (1.5)$$

(b)  $D = 2n + 1$

$$X_\mu = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{2k} x_\mu^{2k} + b_\mu + \frac{(-1)^n c}{x_\mu^2}, \quad (1.6)$$

where  $c$ ,  $c_{2k}$  and  $b_\mu$  are free parameters. This class of metrics gives the Kerr–NUT–de Sitter metric [6], and the solutions in [1–5] are recovered by choosing special parameters. However, the explicit Riemannian curvature was not given in their analysis. So it is obscure how the metrics become solutions to the Einstein equations. In this paper we give a systematic investigation of the Riemannian curvature. We show that it can be concisely written by using a single function. We also prove that metrics (1.1) and (1.2) are of type  $D$  and under conditions (1.5) and (1.6) they become Einstein metrics for all dimensions. This family of metrics is also interesting from the point of view of AdS/CFT correspondence. Indeed, odd-dimensional Einstein metrics lead to Sasaki–Einstein metrics by taking the BPS limit [6–9] and even-dimensional Einstein metrics lead to Calabi–Yau metrics in the limit [6, 10, 11]. Especially, the five-dimensional Sasaki–Einstein metrics have emerged quite naturally in the AdS/CFT correspondence.

## 2. $D = 2n$

For metric (1.1), we introduce the following orthonormal frame  $\{e^a\} = \{e^\mu, e^{n+\mu}\} (\mu = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ :

$$e^\mu = \frac{dx_\mu}{\sqrt{Q_\mu}}, \quad e^{n+\mu} = \sqrt{Q_\mu} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_\mu^{(k)} d\psi_k \right). \quad (2.1)$$

Using the first structure equation

$$de^a + \omega^a_b \wedge e^b = 0 \quad (2.2)$$

and  $\omega_{ab} = -\omega_{ba}$ , we obtain connection 1-forms  $\omega_{ab}$ . A straightforward calculation gives

$$\omega_{\mu\nu} = (1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}) \left[ -\frac{x_\nu \sqrt{Q_\nu}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2} e^\mu - \frac{x_\mu \sqrt{Q_\mu}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2} e^\nu \right],$$

$$\omega_{\mu, n+\nu} = \delta_{\mu\nu} \left[ -\frac{\partial(\sqrt{Q_\mu})}{\partial x_\mu} e^{n+\mu} + \sum_{\substack{\rho=1 \\ (\rho \neq \mu)}}^n \frac{x_\mu \sqrt{Q_\rho}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\rho^2} e^{n+\rho} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} & + (1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}) \left[ -\frac{x_\mu \sqrt{Q_\mu}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2} e^{n+\nu} + \frac{x_\mu \sqrt{Q_\nu}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2} e^{n+\mu} \right], \\ \omega_{n+\mu, n+\nu} & = (1 - \delta_{\mu\nu}) \left[ -\frac{x_\mu \sqrt{Q_\nu}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2} e^\mu - \frac{x_\nu \sqrt{Q_\mu}}{x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2} e^\nu \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

From the second structure equation

$$R_{ab} = d\omega_{ab} + \omega_{ac} \wedge \omega^c_b, \tag{2.4}$$

we can calculate the curvature 2-forms  $R_{ab}$ . It is convenient to introduce a quantity

$$Q_T = \sum_{\mu=1}^n Q_\mu. \tag{2.5}$$

We find ( $\mu \neq \nu$ )

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\mu\nu} & = -\frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^\mu \wedge e^\nu \\ & \quad - \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\nu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^{n+\mu} \wedge e^{n+\nu}, \\ R_{\mu, n+\mu} & = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Q_T}{\partial x_\mu^2} e^\mu \wedge e^{n+\mu} \\ & \quad + \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \frac{1}{x_\mu^2 - x_\rho^2} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\rho} - x_\rho \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} \right) e^\rho \wedge e^{n+\rho}, \quad (\text{no sum}) \\ R_{\mu, n+\nu} & = -\frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^\mu \wedge e^{n+\nu} \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\nu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} \right) e^\nu \wedge e^{n+\mu}, \\ R_{n+\mu, n+\nu} & = -\frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\nu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^\mu \wedge e^\nu \\ & \quad - \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial Q_T}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^{n+\mu} \wedge e^{n+\nu}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

Let  $I_\mu$  be the differential operator

$$I_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_\mu^2} + \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \frac{1}{x_\rho^2 - x_\mu^2} \left( x_\rho \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\rho} - x_\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\mu} \right). \tag{2.7}$$

The components  $\mathcal{R}_{ab} = \sum_{c=1}^{2n} R^c_{acb}$  of the Ricci curvature are calculated as

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{R}_{n+\mu, n+\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu} I_\mu(Q_T). \tag{2.8}$$

Using the expression  $Q_T = \sum_{\mu=1}^n (X_\mu/U_\mu)$ , we have

$$I_\mu(Q_T) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{X''_\mu}{U_\mu} + \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \frac{1}{x_\rho^2 - x_\mu^2} \left( x_\rho \frac{X'_\rho}{U_\rho} + x_\mu \frac{X'_\mu}{U_\mu} \right) - \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \frac{1}{x_\rho^2 - x_\mu^2} \left( \frac{X_\rho}{U_\rho} + \frac{X_\mu}{U_\mu} \right), \tag{2.9}$$

where  $X'_\mu = dX_\mu/dx_\mu$  and  $X''_\mu = d^2X_\mu/dx_\mu^2$ . Thus, the scalar curvature  $\mathcal{R} = \sum_{a=1}^{2n} \mathcal{R}_{aa}$  takes the form

$$\mathcal{R} = -\sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{X''_\mu}{U_\mu}. \tag{2.10}$$

2.1. Einstein condition

We first study a condition  $\mathcal{R} = \text{const}$ . By (2.10) and the identities

$$\sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{x_\mu^{2(n-1)}}{U_\mu} = 1, \quad \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{x_\mu^{2k}}{U_\mu} = 0 \tag{2.11}$$

( $k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 2$ ), it is easy to see that the function

$$X_\mu = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{2k} x_\mu^{2k} + b_\mu x_\mu + d_\mu \tag{2.12}$$

gives a constant scalar curvature  $\mathcal{R} = -2n(2n - 1)c_{2n}$  for arbitrary constants  $c_{2k}, b_\mu$  and  $d_\mu$ . Conversely, we can show that the condition  $\mathcal{R} = \text{const}$  implies (2.12). In fact, from (2.10) one has

$$\mathcal{R}U_\mu = -X''_\mu - \sum_{v \neq \mu} P^v_\mu X''_v, \tag{2.13}$$

where

$$P^v_\mu = \frac{U_\mu}{U_v} = -\frac{\prod_{\sigma \neq \mu, v} (x_\mu^2 - x_\sigma^2)}{\prod_{\lambda \neq \mu, v} (x_v^2 - x_\lambda^2)}. \tag{2.14}$$

Applying the differential operator  $(\partial/\partial x_\mu)^{2n-1}$  to this relation we obtain

$$\left(\frac{d}{dx_\mu}\right)^{2n+1} X_\mu = 0, \tag{2.15}$$

which means that  $X_\mu$  must be polynomials of order  $2n$ . Taking  $X_\mu$  in the general polynomials of order  $2n$  we infer from (2.13) that they have the form (2.12). Thus, we have shown that the scalar curvature is a constant if and only if  $X_\mu$  takes the form (2.12).

Now, we can examine the Einstein condition, i.e.  $\mathcal{R}_{ab} = \Lambda \delta_{ab}$ , where  $\Lambda$  represents a cosmological constant. Substituting (2.12) into (2.9) we obtain

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{R}_{n+\mu, n+\nu} = \delta_{\mu\nu}(-2n - 1)c_{2n} + K_\mu, \tag{2.16}$$

where

$$K_\mu = \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \frac{1}{x_\rho^2 - x_\mu^2} \left(\frac{d_\rho}{U_\rho} + \frac{d_\mu}{U_\mu}\right). \tag{2.17}$$

The Einstein condition requires  $K_1 = K_2 = \dots = K_n = \text{const}$ . This implies  $d_1 = d_2 = \dots = d_n$ , and then  $K_\mu = 0$ . Therefore, denoting the common value of  $d_\mu$  by  $c_0$  we reproduce the function  $X_\mu$  given in (1.5). It should be noted that

$$Q_T = \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{X_\mu}{U_\mu} = c_{2n} \sum_{\mu=1}^n x_\mu^2 + c_{2n-2} + V, \tag{2.18}$$

where

$$V = \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{b_\mu x_\mu}{U_\mu}. \tag{2.19}$$

The Ricci curvature is given by

$$\mathcal{R}_{ab} = (2n - 1)\lambda \delta_{ab}, \tag{2.20}$$

with  $\lambda = -c_{2n}$ . From (2.6) the corresponding curvature 2-forms are written as ( $\mu \neq \nu$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{\mu\nu} &= \left[ \lambda - \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\nu} \right) \right] e^\mu \wedge e^\nu \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\nu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^{n+\mu} \wedge e^{n+\nu}, \\
 R_{\mu, n+\mu} &= \left( \lambda - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x_\mu^2} \right) e^\mu \wedge e^{n+\mu} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \frac{1}{x_\mu^2 - x_\rho^2} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\rho} - x_\rho \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} \right) e^\rho \wedge e^{n+\rho}, \quad (\text{no sum}) \\
 R_{\mu, n+\nu} &= \left[ \lambda - \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\nu} \right) \right] e^\mu \wedge e^{n+\nu} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\nu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} \right) e^\nu \wedge e^{n+\mu}, \\
 R_{n+\mu, n+\nu} &= -\frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\nu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\nu} \right) e^\mu \wedge e^\nu \\
 &\quad + \left[ \lambda - \frac{1}{2(x_\mu^2 - x_\nu^2)} \left( x_\mu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\mu} - x_\nu \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_\nu} \right) \right] e^{n+\mu} \wedge e^{n+\nu}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.21}$$

If we put  $b_\mu = 0$  for all  $\mu$ , then equations represent the constant curvature space,  $R_{ab} = \lambda e^a \wedge e^b$ .

### 2.2. Kähler condition

The natural Kähler form associated with metric (1.1) is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \omega &= \sum_{\mu=1}^n e^\mu \wedge e^{n+\mu} \\
 &= \sum_{\mu=1}^n dx_\mu \wedge \left( \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_\mu^{(k)} d\psi_k \right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

This 2-form is not closed, but there exists a scaling limit in which it becomes closed. Indeed we can take a limit  $x_\mu = 1 + \epsilon \xi_\mu$  ( $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ) together with a suitable transformation of the coordinates  $\psi_k$ .<sup>3</sup> Then, we have a closed 2-form in the form  $\omega = \sum_i^n d\sigma_i \wedge dt^i$ , where  $\sigma_i$  are the elementary symmetric polynomials of  $\xi_\mu$  s. Now metric (1.1) reduces to the Kähler metric presented in [13] (see proposition 11).

### 3. $D = 2n + 1$

For metric (1.2), we introduce the following orthonormal frame  $\{\hat{e}^a\} = \{\hat{e}^\mu, \hat{e}^{n+\mu}, \hat{e}^{2n+1}\}$  ( $\mu = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ):

$$\hat{e}^\mu = e^\mu, \quad \hat{e}^{n+\mu} = e^{n+\mu}, \quad \hat{e}^{2n+1} = \sqrt{S} \left( \sum_{k=0}^n A^{(k)} d\psi_k \right), \tag{3.1}$$

<sup>3</sup> The scaling limit in four dimension was explicitly given in [12].

where  $e^\mu$  and  $e^{n+\mu}$  are defined by (2.1). The connection 1-forms  $\hat{\omega}_{ab}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\omega}_{\mu\nu} &= \omega_{\mu\nu}, \\ \hat{\omega}_{\mu,n+\nu} &= \omega_{\mu,n+\nu} + \delta_{\mu\nu} \frac{\sqrt{S}}{x_\mu} e^{2n+1}, \\ \hat{\omega}_{n+\mu,n+\nu} &= \omega_{n+\mu,n+\nu}, \\ \hat{\omega}_{\mu,2n+1} &= \frac{\sqrt{S}}{x_\mu} e^{n+\mu} - \frac{\sqrt{Q^\mu}}{x_\mu} e^{2n+1}, \\ \hat{\omega}_{n+\mu,2n+1} &= -\frac{\sqrt{S}}{x_\mu} e^\mu, \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

with  $\omega_{ab}$  defined by (2.3). Shifting the arbitrary function  $X_\mu$  by

$$X_\mu = \hat{X}_\mu + \frac{(-1)^n c}{x_\mu^2}, \tag{3.3}$$

we have

$$Q_T = \hat{Q}_T - S, \quad \hat{Q}_T = \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{\hat{X}_\mu}{U_\mu}. \tag{3.4}$$

Then, the curvature 2-forms  $\hat{R}_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $\hat{R}_{\mu,n+\nu}$  and  $\hat{R}_{n+\mu,n+\nu}$  are obtained by the replacement  $Q_T \rightarrow \hat{Q}_T$  in (2.6), and the remaining ones are calculated as

$$\hat{R}_{\mu,2n+1} = -\frac{1}{2x_\mu} \frac{\partial \hat{Q}_T}{\partial x_\mu} e^\mu \wedge e^{2n+1}, \quad \hat{R}_{n+\mu,2n+1} = -\frac{1}{2x_\mu} \frac{\partial \hat{Q}_T}{\partial x_\mu} e^{n+\mu} \wedge e^{2n+1}. \tag{3.5}$$

The Ricci curvature  $\hat{R}_{ab}$  and the scalar curvature  $\hat{R}$  are given by

$$\hat{R}_{\mu\nu} = \hat{R}_{n+\mu,n+\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu} \left( I_\mu(\hat{Q}_T) + \frac{1}{2x_\mu} \frac{\partial \hat{Q}_T}{\partial x_\mu} \right), \quad \hat{R}_{2n+1,2n+1} = -\sum_\rho \frac{1}{x_\rho} \frac{\partial \hat{Q}_T}{\partial x_\rho} \tag{3.6}$$

and

$$\hat{R} = -\sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{\hat{X}_\mu''}{U_\mu} - 2 \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{1}{x_\mu} \frac{\hat{X}_\mu'}{U_\mu}. \tag{3.7}$$

### 3.1. Einstein condition

Using similar arguments to the case of  $D = 2n$ , we can show that the scalar curvature is a constant if and only if  $X_\mu$  takes of the form

$$X_\mu = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{2k} x_\mu^{2k} + b_\mu + \frac{d_\mu}{x_\mu} + \frac{(-1)^n c}{x_\mu^2}. \tag{3.8}$$

Then the components of the Ricci curvature are

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{R}_{\mu\nu} = \hat{R}_{n+\mu,n+\nu} &= -\delta_{\mu\nu} \left( 2nc_{2n} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d_\mu}{x_\mu^3 U_\mu} - \sum_{\rho \neq \mu} \left( \frac{d_\rho}{x_\rho U_\rho} + \frac{d_\mu}{x_\mu U_\mu} \right) \right), \\ \hat{R}_{2n+1,2n+1} &= -2nc_{2n} + \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{d_\mu}{x_\mu^3 U_\mu}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

which satisfy the Einstein condition if and only if  $d_\mu$  vanishes for all  $\mu$ . Thus we reproduce the function  $X_\mu$  given in (1.6). Now  $\hat{\mathcal{R}}_{ab} = 2n\lambda\delta_{ab}$  with  $\lambda = -c_{2n}$  and  $Q_T$  is given by

$$Q_T = c_{2n} \left( \sum_{\mu=1}^n x_\mu^2 \right) + c_{2n-2} + \hat{V} - S, \tag{3.10}$$

where

$$\hat{V} = \sum_{\mu=1}^n \frac{b_\mu}{U_\mu}. \tag{3.11}$$

By substituting these expressions into (2.6) and (3.5), we obtain (2.21) replaced  $V$  with  $\hat{V}$ , and

$$\hat{R}_{\mu,2n+1} = \left( \lambda - \frac{1}{2x_\mu} \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial x_\mu} \right) e^\mu \wedge \hat{e}^{2n+1}, \quad \hat{R}_{n+\mu,2n+1} = \left( \lambda - \frac{1}{2x_\mu} \frac{\partial \hat{V}}{\partial x_\mu} \right) e^{n+\mu} \wedge \hat{e}^{2n+1}. \tag{3.12}$$

If we choose all of  $b_\mu$  as an equal value, then  $\hat{V} = 0$  and hence the equations represent the constant curvature space.

#### 4. Concluding remarks

We have explicitly calculated the Riemannian curvature corresponding to metrics (1.1) and (1.2). The components have a compact expression by introducing the single function  $Q_T$ . We have also proved that conditions (1.5) and (1.6) lead to the Einstein metrics for all dimensions.

Finally, we comment on type  $D$  condition [14]. For fixed  $\mu$ , let us define the complex vector fields<sup>4</sup>

$$k = Q_\mu^{-1/2}(e_\mu + ie_{n+\mu})/\sqrt{2}, \quad \ell = Q_\mu^{1/2}(e_\mu - ie_{n+\mu})/\sqrt{2}. \tag{4.1}$$

Then  $\{k, \ell, e_\alpha\} (\alpha \neq \mu, n + \mu)$  gives a null orthonormal frame for (1.1) or (1.2):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k, k \rangle = \langle \ell, \ell \rangle = 0, \quad \langle k, \ell \rangle = 1, \\ \langle k, e_\alpha \rangle = \langle \ell, e_\alpha \rangle = 0, \quad \langle e_\alpha, e_\beta \rangle = \delta_{\alpha,\beta}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

The covariant derivatives are given by  $\nabla_{e_b} e_a = \omega_{ca}(e_b)e_c$ , which can be easily calculated by (2.3) and (3.2). Especially, we have

$$\nabla_k k = 0, \tag{4.3}$$

which means that the integral curve of  $k$  is a geodesic. It is easy to confirm that the Weyl curvature satisfies the type  $D$  condition:

$$\begin{aligned} W(k, e_\alpha, e_\beta, e_\gamma) = W(\ell, e_\alpha, e_\beta, e_\gamma) = 0, \quad W(k, e_\alpha, k, e_\beta) = W(\ell, e_\alpha, \ell, e_\beta) = 0, \\ W(k, \ell, k, e_\alpha) = W(k, \ell, \ell, e_\alpha) = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

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