Complete spacelike hypersurfaces with constant scalar curvature and sectional curvatures $\geq 1$ in De Sitter space $S^5(1)$

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Hypersurfaces with constant scalar curvature and two different principal curvatures isometrically immersed in an $(n+1)$-dimensional space form $M^{n+1}(C)$ of constant curvature $c$ and especially in $S^{n+1}(c)$ have been extensively investigated within the last four decades. In the present work, we study complete spacelike hypersurfaces with constant scalar curvature and have sectional curvatures $K(\pi) \geq 1$ in de Sitter space $S^n(1)$ and find a result on the type number of such a hypersurface.

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INTRODUCTION

Let $M_{p}^{n+p}(c)$ be a $(n+p)$-dimensional connected semi-Riemannian manifold of constant curvature $c$ whose index is $p$. It is called an indefinite space form of index $p$ or simply a Lorentzian space form when $1\leq p$. If $c > 0$, we call it as a de sitter space of index $p$ and denote it by $S_{p}^{n+p}(c)$. Now, let $L^{n+2}$ be the $(n+2)$-dimensional Lorentz-Minkowski space, that is, the real vector space $\mathbb{R}^{n+2}$ endowed with the Lorentzian metric tensor and let $S_{1}^{n+1} \subset L^{n+2}$ be the $(n+1)$-dimensional unitary de Sitter space. For $n \geq 2$ the de Sitter space $S_{1}^{n+1}$ is the standard simply connected Lorentzian space form of positive constant sectional curvature $1$. A smooth immersion $\varphi : M^{n} \rightarrow S_{1}^{n+1}$ of an $n$-dimensional connected manifold $M^{n}$ is said to be a spacelike hypersurface if the induced metric via $\varphi$ is a Riemannian metric on $M^{n}$. A hypersurface in $E_{n+1}^{n+1}$ is said to be of type number $p$ if the rank of its second fundamental form is $p$. In 1979 B.Y. Chen introduced the isometric immersions in Euclidean spaces of finite type (Chen, 1979). Essentially these are submanifolds whose immersion into $E_{n+1}^{n+1}$ is constructed by making use of a finite number of $E_{n+1}^{n+1}$-valuated eigenfunctions of their Laplacian. In terms of finite type terminology, a well-known result of Takahashi (Takahashi, 1966), affirms that a connected Euclidean submanifold is of 1-type, if and only if it is either minimal in $E_{n+1}^{n+1}$ or minimal in some hypersphere of $E_{n+1}^{n+1}$.

Minimal and isoparametric hypersurfaces with distinct principal curvatures have been studied by many authors, (Chen, 1979; Chern, 1970; Erdogan, 2010; Itoh and Nakagawa, 1973; Lawson, 1969; Otsuki, 1970; Otsuki, 1978; Peng and Terng, 1983). T. Otsuki, T. Itoh and H. Nakagawa gave a lot of examples of complete hypersurfaces with type number 1 in $H^{n+1}(c)$, (Itoh and Nakagawa, 1973; Otsuki, 1970; Otsuki, 1978). On the other hand, there exist many hypersurfaces with type number $\leq 2$ in $E_{n+1}^{n+1}$ by the fundamental theorem for hypersurfaces (Sasaki, 1972).

In an early work, we studied hypersurfaces with constant scalar curvature and having sectional curvatures $\leq 1$ in six-dimensional sphere $S^{6}(1)$, (Erdogan, 2010).

In the present paper, we study complete spacelike
hypersurfaces with constant scalar curvature and having sectional curvatures \( \geq 1 \) in \( S^6_1(1) \) and obtain a new result on the type number of the hypersurfaces. Let \( M \) be a complete spacelike hypersurface with second fundamental form \( h \) in \( S^6_1(1) \). The eigenvalues \( \lambda_i, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \), of the second fundamental form \( h \) are the principal curvature functions over \( M \). Our main result is the following:

**Theorem**

If a complete spacelike hypersurface \( M \) with constant scalar curvature in \( S^6_1(1) \) has the sectional curvatures \( 1 \geq 1 \), then the type number of \( M \) is not greater than 1.

**Preliminaries**

Let \( M \) be a complete spacelike hypersurface and isometrically immersed in \( S^6_1(1) \). We denote by \( \nabla \) (resp. \( \nabla' \)) the covariant differentiation on \( M \) (resp. \( S^6_1(1) \)). We choose a local field of Lorentzian orthonormal frames \( e_1, e_2, ..., e_6 \) in \( S^6_1(1) \) such that at each point of \( M \), \( e_1, ..., e_5 \) span the tangent space of \( M \) (and, consequently \( e_6 \) is normal to \( M \)). We use the following convention on the range of indices:

\[ 1 \leq A, B, C, ..., \leq 6; \quad 1 \leq i, j, k, ..., \leq 5; \quad \alpha = \beta = \gamma = 6 \]

Let \( B \) be the set of all such frames in \( S^6_1(1) \). With respect to the frame field of \( S^6(1) \) chosen above, let \( \omega_1, \omega_2, ..., \omega_6 \) be the field of dual frames so that the Lorentzian metric of \( S^6_1(1) \) is given by \( ds^2 = \sum a_i^2 = \sum \varepsilon A A^2 \), where \( \varepsilon_1 = 1 \) and \( \varepsilon_6 = -1 \). Then the structural equations of \( S^6_1(1) \) are given by

\[ d\omega_A = \sum_{B=1}^{6} \varepsilon B A \omega_B \wedge \omega_A, \quad \omega_A = 0 \]

\[ d\omega_{AB} = \sum_{C=1}^{6} \varepsilon A C B \omega_C \wedge \omega_{AB} \]

where \( \omega_{AB} \)’s are the connection forms on \( S^6_1(1) \). The Ricci tensor and the scalar curvature of \( S^6_1(1) \) are given respectively by

\[ Ric_{AB} = Ric_{BA} = \sum R'_{ABC} = 6 \delta A B \delta A B \] (2.2)

\[ S' = \sum_{A=1}^{6} Ric_{AA} = \sum_{A,C=1}^{6} R'_{ACAC} = 30 \] (2.3)

where \( R' \) is the Riemannian curvature tensor on \( S^6_1(1) \) and its entries are given by \( R'_{ABCD} = \varepsilon A B (\delta A C \delta B D - \delta A D \delta B C) \). The second fundamental form (the shape operator) \( h \) of the immersion is given by \( h(X,Y) = \nabla' X \cdot Y - \nabla X \cdot Y \), for tangent vectors \( X \) and \( Y \), and it satisfies \( h(X,Y) = h(Y,X) \). If we restrict these formulas to \( M \), we have

\[ \omega_6 = 0, \quad 0 = d\omega_i = \sum_{i=1}^{5} \omega_i \wedge \omega_i \]

and from Cartan’s lemma we write

\[ \omega_6 = \sum_{j=1}^{5} h_{ij} \omega_j \] (2.4)

where \( h_{ij} = h_{ji} \). The Riemann metric of \( M \) is written as \( ds^2 = \sum a_i j^2 \) and we have the structure equations of \( M \) as follows:

\[ d\omega_i = \sum_{j} \omega_{ij} \wedge \omega_j, \quad \omega_{ij} = -\omega_{ji} \] (2.5)

\[ d\omega_{ij} = \sum_{k} \omega_{ik} \wedge \omega_{kj} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,l} R_{ijkl} \omega_{kl} \wedge \omega_{ij} \] (2.6)

\[ R_{ijkl} = R'_{ijkl} + h_{ik} h_{jl} - h_{il} h_{jk} = \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} - \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} + h_{il} h_{jk} - h_{ik} h_{jl} \] (2.7)

Where \( R \) is the Riemannian curvature tensor on the hypersurface \( M \).

Then, the second fundamental form \( h \) can be written as
\[ h(X, Y) = \sum_{j=1}^{5} h_{ij} \omega_i(X) \omega_j(Y) e_6. \]

The covariant derivative \( \nabla \cdot h \) of \( h \), with components \( h_{ij} \), is given by

\[
\nabla \cdot h = \sum_{i,j,k} h_{ijk} \omega_i \omega_j \omega_k
\]

and

\[
\sum_k h_{ijk} \omega_k = dh_{ij} + \sum_r h_{ir} \omega_r + \sum_r h_{rj} \omega_r. \tag{2.8}
\]

Then we have \( h_{ij} = h_{ij} \) for any \( i, j \) and \( k=1, 2,3,4,5 \), because \( S^5_6(1) \) is of constant curvature 1.

Indeed, by exterior differentiating (2.4), we get

\[
d \omega_6 = \sum_j dh_{ij} \wedge \omega_j + \sum_{jm} h_{im} \omega_{mj} \wedge \omega_j
\]

or

\[
d \omega_6 = \sum_m \omega_{im} \wedge \omega_{m6} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ml} R_{impl} \omega_m \wedge \omega_l.
\]

We also have from (2.4) and (2.6)

\[
d \omega_6 = -\sum_{jm} h_{mj} \omega_{mi} \wedge \omega_j.
\]

Therefore,

\[
\sum_j dh_{ij} \wedge \omega_j = \sum_{jr} h_{ijr} \omega_i \wedge \omega_j - \sum_{jr} h_{irj} \omega_r \wedge \omega_j. \tag{2.9}
\]

So, we get

\[
\sum_{kj} h_{ijk} \omega_k \wedge \omega_j = 0,
\]

Therefore, \( h_{ijk} \)'s are symmetric in all indices. Exterior differentiating the equation (2.8) and defining \( h_{ijkl} \) by

\[
\sum_l h_{ijkl} \omega_l = dh_{ijl} + \sum_r h_{irj} \omega_r + \sum_r h_{lkr} \omega_r + \sum_r h_{lir} \omega_r. \tag{2.10}
\]

We have

\[
\sum_l (h_{ijkl} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_r h_{ir} R_{jkl} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_r h_{rj} R_{il} \omega_k \wedge \omega_l = 0 \tag{2.11}
\]

and from this we obtain

\[
h_{ijkl} - h_{ijl} = \sum_r h_{ir} R_{jkl} + \sum_r h_{rj} R_{ikl}. \tag{2.12}
\]

Now, let us define the laplacian \( \Delta h \) of the second fundamental form \( h \) by

\[
(\Delta h)_{ij} = \Delta h_{ij} = \sum_k h_{ijjk} \tag{2.13}
\]

From (2.12) and (2.13) we obtain

\[
\sum_k h_{ijkk} = \sum_k h_{kijk}
\]

and so

\[
\Delta h_{ij} = \sum_k h_{kijk}.
\]

Then, from (2.11) we find

\[
(\Delta h)_{ij} = \sum_k h_{kijk} + \sum_k \sum_l (h_{r} R_{l} R_{ij}) - \sum_l h_{ijl} R_{ikl} \tag{2.14}
\]

Proof of the theorem

Let \( M \) be a complete spacelike hypersurface with constant scalar curvature in \( S^5_6(1) \). We suppose that the sectional curvature \( K(\pi) \) of \( M \) is not smaller than 1, that is

\[
K(\pi) \geq 1. \tag{3.1}
\]

For a plane \( \pi \) in the tangent space \( T_x M \) at \( x \in M \) to \( M \), the sectional curvature \( K(\pi) \) for \( \pi \) is defined by

\[
K(\pi) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( h(X, Y) h(X, Y) - g(h(X, X), h(Y, Y)) \right), \tag{3.2}
\]

Where \( g' \) is the Riemannian metric of \( S^5_6(1) \) and \( X, Y \) is a pair of orthonormal vectors in \( T_x M \).
Let \( \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots, \lambda_5 \) be the principal curvatures of \( M \), then by (2.6) and (2.7) the sectional curvature \( K(\pi_j) \) for the plane spanned by \( e_i \) and \( e_j \) is expressed as follows:

\[
K(\pi_j) = 1 - \lambda_i \lambda_j,
\]

Which, together with (3.1) implies that the following

**Lemma**

**The type number of \( M \) is not greater than 2 at each point of \( M \)**

Now let \( N \) be the set of all points at which the type number of \( M \) is 2. If \( N \) is not empty, then \( N \) is an open subset of \( M \). Suppose that there exists a point of \( M \) at which the type number is greater than 1. Then by Lemma, \( N \) is a non-empty open subset of \( M \). Hence there is a neighborhood \( U \) of a point \( x \in N \) where we can choose a frame field \( \{e_1, \ldots, e_5\} \) such that

\[
\omega_{16} = \lambda \omega_1, \omega_{26} = \mu \omega_2, \mu < 0 < \lambda, \quad (3.3)
\]

\[
\omega_{k6} = 0, k = 3, 4, 5. \quad (3.4)
\]

Where \( \lambda \) and \( \mu \) are differentiable functions on \( U \), because we have \( R_{1212} = 1 - \lambda \mu \geq 1 \), i.e., \( \lambda \mu < 0 \) by (2.5)-(2.8) and (3.1)-(3.4). Using (2.5)-(2.7), from (3.3) and (3.4) we have

\[
\lambda \omega_k = \lambda \omega + h_{12} \omega, k = 3, 4, 5, \quad (3.5)
\]

\[
mw_{2k} = h_{12k} w_1 + m_k w_2, k = 3, 4, 5, \quad (3.6)
\]

\[
w_{12} = \frac{1}{l - m} (l w_1 + m w_2 + \frac{5}{k=3} h_{12k} w_k), \quad (3.7)
\]

\[
h_{klj} = 0, k, l, j = 3, 4, 5, \quad (3.8)
\]

where \( d \lambda = \sum_{i=1}^{5} \lambda_i \omega_i \). Furthermore, making use of (2.10), (3.3)-(3.8), from (2.12) and (2.14) we obtain

\[
\sum_{i, j=1}^{5} h_{ij} \Delta h_{ij} = \lambda \sum_{r=1}^{5} h_{r11} + \mu \sum_{r=1}^{5} h_{rr22} + \lambda \mu (R_{1212} + R_{1221}) + \lambda^2 \sum_{r=1}^{5} R_{1r1r} + \mu^2 \sum_{r=1}^{5} R_{2r2r}
\]

\[
= \lambda \sum_{r=1}^{5} h_{r11} + \mu \sum_{r=1}^{5} h_{r22} + (\lambda^2 + \mu^2)(4 + \lambda \mu) - 2(\lambda^2 \mu^2 + \lambda \mu)
\]

(3.9)

Using (3.5)-(3.8), from (2.10) we have

\[
h_{1111} = \lambda_{11} - \frac{2 \lambda^2}{\lambda - \mu} - \frac{2}{\lambda} (\lambda_3^2 + \lambda_4^2 + \lambda_5^2),
\]

\[
h_{1122} = \lambda_{22} - \frac{2 \mu^2}{\lambda - \mu} - \frac{2}{\mu} (h_{123}^2 + h_{124}^2 + h_{125}^2),
\]

\[
h_{2211} = \mu_{11} + \frac{2 \lambda^2}{\lambda - \mu} - \frac{2}{\lambda} (h_{123}^2 + h_{124}^2 + h_{125}^2),
\]

\[
h_{2222} = \mu_{22} + \frac{2 \mu^2}{\lambda - \mu} - \frac{2}{\mu} (\mu_3^2 + \mu_4^2 + \mu_5^2),
\]

(3.10)

where \( d \lambda = \sum_{j=1}^{5} \lambda_j \omega_j + \sum_{j=1}^{5} \lambda_j \omega_j \) for any \( i = 1, \ldots, 5 \). On the other hand, we can write

\[
h_{kk11} = - \frac{2 \lambda^2}{\lambda - \mu} + \frac{2}{\lambda} \mu^2 h_{12k},
\]

\[
h_{kk22} = - \frac{2 \mu^2}{\lambda - \mu} + \frac{2}{\lambda} \mu^2 h_{12k}, k = 3, 4, 5.
\]

(3.11)

It follows from (3.9)-(3.11) that we have

\[
\sum_{i, j=1}^{5} h_{ij} \Delta h_{ij} = \lambda (\lambda_{11} + \mu_{11}) + \mu (\lambda_{22} + \mu_{22}) - 2 \lambda \mu (1 + \lambda \mu) + (\lambda^2 + \mu^2)(4 + \lambda \mu).
\]

(3.12)

Besides, we may write

\[
\sum_{i, j=1}^{5} h_{ij} \Delta h_{ij} = \lambda \sum_{r=1}^{5} h_{1r1r} + \mu \sum_{r=1}^{5} h_{2r2r}
\]

(3.13)
Now, it follows, from (3.10), (3.13) and (3.14), that

\[
\sum_{i,j=1}^{5} h_{ij} \Delta h_{ij} = \lambda \Delta \lambda + \mu \Delta \mu - \frac{2}{\lambda - \mu} \sum_{i=1}^{5} (\lambda_{i}^{2} + \mu_{i}^{2}) + 2(\lambda_{2}^{2} + \mu_{2}^{2}) - 6 \sum_{k=3}^{5} h_{12k}^{2}.
\]  

Using (3.12) and (3.15) we write that

\[
(\lambda - \mu)(\mu_{1} - \lambda_{22}) - 2\lambda \mu(1 + \lambda \mu) + (\lambda^{2} + \mu^{2})(4 + \lambda \mu) = \lambda(\lambda_{3} + \lambda_{44} + \lambda_{55}) + \mu(\mu_{3} + \mu_{44} + \mu_{55}) - 2\sum_{i=1}^{5} (\lambda_{i}^{2} + \mu_{i}^{2}) + 2(\lambda_{2}^{2} + \mu_{2}^{2}) - 6 \sum_{k=3}^{5} h_{12k}^{2}.
\]  

On the other hand, using (3.3) and (3.4), from (2.12) we have

\[
h_{1212} = \lambda_{22} - \frac{2\mu_{1}^{2}}{\lambda - \mu} - \frac{2}{\lambda} (h_{123}^{2} + h_{124}^{2} + h_{125}^{2}),
\]

\[
h_{1212} = h_{211} + (\lambda - \mu)(1 + \lambda \mu),
\]

\[
h_{211} = \mu_{11} + \frac{2\lambda_{2}^{2}}{\lambda - \mu} - \frac{2}{\mu} (h_{123}^{2} + h_{124}^{2} + h_{125}^{2}),
\]

which implies that

\[
(\lambda - \mu)(\mu_{1} - \lambda_{22}) = \frac{(\lambda - \mu)^{2}}{\lambda \mu} \sum_{k=3}^{5} h_{12k}^{2} - (\lambda - \mu)^{2}(1 + \lambda \mu) - 2(\lambda_{2}^{2} + \mu_{2}^{2}).
\]  

Thus, from (3.16) and (3.17) we get

\[
\lambda(\lambda_{3} + \lambda_{44} + \lambda_{55}) + \mu(\mu_{3} + \mu_{44} + \mu_{55}) = \frac{(\lambda - \mu)^{2}}{\lambda \mu} (h_{123}^{2} + h_{124}^{2} + h_{125}^{2}) + 3(\lambda^{2} + \mu^{2}) + 2(\lambda_{2}^{2} + \mu_{2}^{2}) + 6 \sum_{k=3}^{5} h_{12k}^{2}.
\]  

Making use (3.18) and (3.20) we get

\[
(\lambda - \mu)^{2} \sum_{k=3}^{5} h_{12k}^{2} = 0,
\]

which implies that

\[
h_{12k} = 0 \text{ for any } k = 3, 4, 5.
\]  

Now from (3.5)-(3.7) and (3.21), we obtain that

\[
\lambda \omega_{1k} = \lambda \omega_{1}, \mu \omega_{2k} = \mu \omega_{2}, k = 3, 4, 5.
\]  

and

\[
(\lambda - \mu) \omega_{1} = \lambda \omega_{1} + \mu \omega_{2}, \mu < 0 < \lambda.
\]  

In this case, the scalar curvature \( S \) is given by \( S = 2(\lambda \mu + 10) \) which, together with the assumption \( S = \text{const.} \), implies that

\[
\lambda_{i} \mu + \lambda \mu_{i} = 0, i = 1, ..., 5
\]  

and
\[ \mu_{ij} + \frac{\mu}{\lambda} \frac{\lambda_j}{\lambda^2} = \frac{2\mu \lambda_i}{\lambda^2}, i, j = 1, ..., 5. \]  

(3.25)

Hence, from (3.19), (3.21) and (3.25) we have that

\[ \lambda_i^2 + \lambda_j^2 = 0, k = 345 \]

which implies \( \lambda = 0 \). This result contradicts the assumption \( \lambda \neq 0 \), therefore, it must be \( N = \emptyset \).

This result shows that the type number of \( M \) is not greater than 1 at each point of \( M \) and so the theorem is proved.

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