

## SOME NONEXISTENCE THEOREMS OF FINITE TYPE CLOSED CURVES ON THE PSEUDO-HYPERBOLIC SPACE $H^4(-c^2)$

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**ABSTRACT** We obtain some theorems on nonexistence of certain finite type closed curves on the pseudo-hyperbolic space  $H^4(-c^2)$  in the Minkowski spacetime  $E_1^5$ .

### 1. Introduction

First, we will survey briefly the fundamental concepts and properties in the pseudo-Riemannian geometry. We refer mainly to O'Neill([9]) and Chen([3],[4]). For the general concepts in the Riemannian geometry, refer to the book of Kobayashi and Nomizu([8]).

Let  $M$  be a  $C^\infty$ -class differentiable manifold of dimension  $n$  and  $g$  a  $C^\infty$ -class differentiable symmetric nondegenerate tensor field of type  $(0, 2)$  on  $M$ . The pseudo-Riemannian metric  $g_p$  at every point  $p$  of  $M$  defines the scalar product on the tangent space  $T_p(M)$  of  $M$  at  $p$ . The index of  $g_p$  is not necessarily constant in general. If the index of  $g_p$  is constant  $t$  ( $0 \leq t \leq n$ ) on  $M$ , then we call  $g$  a *pseudo-Riemannian metric of signature  $(t, n - t)$* . And a  $C^\infty$ -class differentiable manifold  $(M, g)$  furnished with a pseudo-Riemannian metric  $g$  is called a *pseudo-Riemannian manifold*. A pseudo-Riemannian manifold of signature  $(0, n)$  means a Riemannian manifold. Let  $v$  be a tangent vector to a pseudo-Riemannian manifold  $M$  with a pseudo-Riemannian metric  $g$ . Then  $v$  is said to be

*spacelike* if  $g(v, v) > 0$  or  $v = 0$ ,  
*lightlike* if  $g(v, v) = 0$  and  $v \neq 0$ ,  
*timelike* if  $g(v, v) < 0$

The simplest example of pseudo-Riemannian manifold is a pseudo-Euclidean space defined as follows;

Let  $(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^m)$  be a point in the set  $R^m$  of all ordered  $m$ -tuples of real numbers. For each  $t(0 \leq t \leq m)$ , we define a scalar product  $g_0$  on  $T_p(R^m)$  at the point  $p$  of  $R^m$  by

$$g_0(v_p, w_p) = - \sum_{i=1}^t v^i w^i + \sum_{i=t+1}^m v^i w^i,$$

where  $v_p = \sum_{i=1}^m v^i \partial / \partial x^i$  and  $w_p = \sum_{i=1}^m w^i \partial / \partial x^i$ .  $E_t^m$  denotes a  $R^m$  with a canonical pseudo-Riemannian metric  $g_0$ . In this case,  $g_0$  is called a *pseudo-Euclidean metric* of signature  $(t, m-t)$  and  $E_t^m$  is called a *pseudo-Euclidean space* of signature  $(t, m-t)$ . In particular,  $E_1^m$  is called a *Minkowski spacetime*.

Now, let  $x : M \rightarrow E_t^m$  be an isometric immersion of a pseudo-Riemannian manifold  $M$  of dimension  $n$  into an  $m$ -dimensional pseudo-Euclidean space  $E_t^m$  of signature  $(t, m-t)$ . If  $x$  has the spectral decomposition as follows:

$$x = x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k x_i : \Delta x_i = \lambda_i x_i, \quad x_i \neq 0, \quad \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j (i \neq j),$$

then  $M$  is called to be of *k-type submanifold* and  $x$  *k-type immersion*, where  $\Delta$  is the Laplace operator on  $M$ . If one of  $\lambda_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  is zero, then submanifold  $M$  or immersion  $x$  is said to be of *null k-type*.

The following theorem presents a necessary condition for  $M$  to be of *k-type* submanifold.

**THEOREM A[2,3]).** *Let  $M$  be a pseudo-Riemannian submanifold of  $E_t^m$  and  $H$  the mean curvature vector field of  $M$ . If  $M$  is of *k-type*, then there is a polynomial  $P(X)$  of degree  $k$  such that  $P(\Delta)H = 0$ .*

If  $M$  is compact, the converse is also satisfied. That is,

**THEOREM B[3].** Let  $M$  be a compact pseudo-Riemannian submanifold isometrically immersed in a pseudo-Euclidean space  $E_t^m$ . If there exists a nontrivial polynomial  $P(X)$  such that  $P(\Delta)H = 0$ , then  $M$  is of finite type.

**REMARK.** Finite type curves in a Euclidean space were investigated in [1,2,5,6] etc.

From now on, we will  $\langle, \rangle$  instead of a pseudo-Euclidean metric  $g_0$ . And we denote by  $H_t^m(-c^2) = \{p \in E_{t+1}^{m+1} \mid \langle p, p \rangle = -c^2\}$ . In this case, it is called the *pseudo-hyperbolic space* of radius  $c > 0$  and center  $o$  in  $E_{t+1}^{m+1}$ . For a vector  $a_0 = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_t, \dots, a_m)$  in  $E_t^m$ ,

$$\bar{a}_0 = (-a_1, -a_2, \dots, -a_t, a_{t+1}, a_{t+2}, \dots, a_m)$$

is called the *conjugate vector* of  $a_0$ .

In [7] and [10], the authors proved the following

**THEOREM C.** Only 1-type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H_t^m(-c^2)$  is an intersection of  $H_t^m(-c^2)$  and a 2-plane  $P$  lying in  $\Pi_{a_0}$ , where  $P$  is determined by two spacelike vectors and  $\Pi_{a_0}$  denotes a hyperplane through  $a_0$  which is orthogonal to the conjugate vector  $\bar{a}_0$  in the sense of Euclidean scalar product.

Ishikawa([7]) also proved some nonexistence theorems concerning finite type closed curves on a pseudo-hyperbolic space  $H^2(-c^2)$ . For instance,

**THEOREM D.** There exists neither 2-type closed curves nor 3-type closed curves on  $H^2(-c^2)$ .

The purpose of this article is to prove some nonexistence theorems for a higher  $k$ -type ( $k \geq 3$ ) closed curves on  $H^4(-c^2)$ .

## 2. Preliminaries

Every closed curve  $\gamma : [0, 2\pi r] \rightarrow E_t^m$  of the length  $2\pi r$  in  $E_t^m$  may be regarded as an isometric immersion of a circle of radius  $r$  into  $E_t^m$ . We use the arc length  $s$  as a parameter of  $\gamma$ . Then the Laplacian  $\Delta$  on the circle is given by  $\Delta = -d^2/ds^2$  and the eigenvalues are  $\{(l/r)^2; l = 1, 2, \dots\}$ . The corresponding eigenspace  $V_l$  is constructed by using  $\cos(ls/r)$  and  $\sin(ls/r)$ . Hence, every closed curve  $\gamma : [0, 2\pi r] \rightarrow E_t^m$  has the spectral decomposition

$$\gamma(s) = a_0 + \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \{a_l \cos(ls/r) + b_l \sin(ls/r)\},$$

where  $a_l, b_l$  are some vectors in  $E_t^m$  (see [2],[5]). In particular, if  $\gamma$  is a  $k$ -type closed curve of the length  $2\pi$  on  $H_t^m(-c^2)$ , then  $\gamma$  can be expressed as

$$(2.1) \quad \gamma(s) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \{a_i \cos(p_i s) + b_i \sin(p_i s)\},$$

where  $a_i$  or  $b_i$  is a nonzero vector in  $E_t^m$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ,  $p_i$  are the positive integers with  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$  and  $s$  is the arc length parameter of  $\gamma$ . Because of  $\gamma(s)$  being on  $H_t^m(-c^2)$  and  $a_0$  the center of mass of  $\gamma$ ,  $a_0$  is a timelike vector in  $E_{t+1}^{m+1}$  (see [7]). Furthermore, from  $\langle \gamma(s), \gamma(s) \rangle = -c^2$ , we have the following

$$(2.2) \quad 2 \langle a_0, a_0 \rangle + 2c^2 + \sum_{i=1}^k D_{ii} = 0,$$

$$(2.3) \quad \sum_{p_i=l} M_i + \sum_{2p_i=l} A_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i+p_j=l \\ i>j}} A_{ij} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i-p_j=l \\ i>j}} D_{ij} = 0,$$

$$(2.4) \quad \sum_{p_i=l} \bar{M}_i + \sum_{2p_i=l} \bar{A}_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i+p_j=l \\ i>j}} \bar{A}_{ij} - 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i-p_j=l \\ i>j}} \bar{D}_{ij} = 0$$

for each  $l \in \{p_i, 2p_i, p_i + p_j, p_i - p_j ; 1 \leq j < i \leq k\}$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} M_i &= 4 \langle a_0, a_i \rangle, & \bar{M}_i &= 4 \langle a_0, b_i \rangle, \\ A_{ij} &= \langle a_i, a_j \rangle - \langle b_i, b_j \rangle, & \bar{A}_{ij} &= \langle a_i, b_j \rangle + \langle b_i, a_j \rangle, \\ D_{ij} &= \langle a_i, a_j \rangle + \langle b_i, b_j \rangle, & \bar{D}_{ij} &= \langle a_i, b_j \rangle - \langle b_i, a_j \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

From now on, we call the real numbers  $M_i$  and  $\bar{M}_i$  (resp.  $A_{ii}$  and  $\bar{A}_{ii}$ ,  $A_{ij}$  and  $\bar{A}_{ij}$ , or  $D_{ij}$  and  $\bar{D}_{ij}$ ) to be *corresponding to the integer*  $p_i$  (resp.  $2p_i$ ,  $p_i + p_j$ , or  $p_i - p_j$ ). Since  $s$  is the arc length parameter of  $\gamma(s)$ , we have

$$(2.5) \quad 2 = \sum_{i=1}^k p_i^2 D_{ii},$$

$$(2.6) \quad \sum_{2p_i=l} p_i^2 A_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i+p_j=l \\ i>j}} p_i p_j A_{ij} - 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i-p_j=l \\ i>j}} p_i p_j D_{ij} = 0,$$

$$(2.7) \quad \sum_{2p_i=l} p_i^2 \bar{A}_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i+p_j=l \\ i>j}} p_i p_j \bar{A}_{ij} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i-p_j=l \\ i>j}} p_i p_j \bar{D}_{ij} = 0.$$

Moreover, if  $\langle \gamma^{(r)}(s), \gamma^{(r)}(s) \rangle$  is constant ( $r = 1, 2, \dots$ ), then we have

$$(2.8) \quad \sum_{2p_i=l} p_i^{2r} A_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i+p_j=l \\ i>j}} (p_i p_j)^r A_{ij} + (-1)^r 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i-p_j=l \\ i>j}} (p_i p_j)^r D_{ij} = 0,$$

$$(2.9) \quad \sum_{2p_i=l} p_i^{2r} \bar{A}_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i+p_j=l \\ i>j}} (p_i p_j)^r \bar{A}_{ij} - (-1)^r 2 \sum_{\substack{p_i-p_j=l \\ i>j}} (p_i p_j)^r \bar{D}_{ij} = 0.$$

Next, let  $\gamma$  be a  $k$ -type closed curve on  $H_t^m(-c^2)$  given in (2.1). Divide the set  $\mathfrak{A} = \{p_i, 2p_i, p_i + p_j, p_i - p_j, 1 \leq j < i \leq k\}$  as the union of the subsets as follows:

$$(2.10) \quad \mathfrak{A} = \mathfrak{A}_1 \cup \mathfrak{A}_2 \cup \dots \cup \mathfrak{A}_N,$$

where all elements in each subset  $\mathfrak{A}_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ) are equal to each other and if  $n_1 \neq n_2$ , then every element in  $\mathfrak{A}_{n_1}$  is not equal to any element in  $\mathfrak{A}_{n_2}$ .

### 3. Main results

Let  $\gamma$  be a closed  $k$ -type curve on  $H_t^m(-c^2)$  in  $E_{t+1}^{m+1}$ . Then  $\gamma$  is expressed as  $\gamma(s) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \{a_i \cos(p_i s/r) + b_i \sin(p_i s/r)\}$ , where  $a_i$  or  $b_i$  is a nonzero vector in  $E_{t+1}^{m+1}$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  and  $p_i$  are the positive integers satisfying  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$ . Here  $s$  is the arc length parameter of  $\gamma$  and the length of  $\gamma$  is  $2\pi r$ . Therefore every  $k$ -type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  of the length  $2\pi$  may be described as

$$(3.1) \quad \gamma(s) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \{a_i \cos(p_i s) + b_i \sin(p_i s)\}.$$

We prove our results for  $r = 1$ , because the proof for case  $r \neq 1$  is same as one for case of  $r = 1$ .

LEMMA 3.1[7]. (1) If  $\langle \gamma^{(r)}(s), \gamma^{(r)}(s) \rangle$  is constant ( $r = 1, 2, \dots, l$ ) and the number of members in  $\mathfrak{A}_n$  is less than or equal to  $l + 1$ , then  $M_i$  and  $\bar{M}_i$  (resp.  $A_{ii}$  and  $\bar{A}_{ii}$ ,  $A_{ij}$  and  $\bar{A}_{ij}$ , or  $D_{ij}$  and  $\bar{D}_{ij}$ ) of corresponding to the integer  $p_i$  (resp.  $2p_i$ ,  $p_i + p_j$ , or  $p_i - p_j$ ) in  $\mathfrak{A}_n$  vanish.

(2) In particular, for every  $k$ -type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H_t^m(-c^2)$  in  $E_{t+1}^{m+1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{kk} &= \bar{A}_{kk} = 0, \\ A_{k(k-1)} &= \bar{A}_{k(k-1)} = 0, \\ A_{(k-1)(k-1)} &= \bar{A}_{(k-1)(k-1)} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now, let  $\gamma(s)$  be a  $k$ -type closed curve on  $H^4(-c^2)$  as (3.1). Then we can obtain the following three lemmas.

LEMMA 3.2. If  $\gamma(s)$  satisfies the following conditions

$$(3.2) \quad M_k = \bar{M}_k = M_{k-1} = \bar{M}_{k-1} = 0 \text{ and } D_{k(k-1)} = \bar{D}_{k(k-1)} = 0,$$

then  $a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, a_k, b_k$  are spacelike vectors and  $\{a_0, a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, a_k, b_k\}$  forms a basis of  $E_1^5$ .

*Proof.* Since  $a_0$  is a timelike vector in  $E_1^5$  and  $\langle a_0, a_k \rangle = \langle a_0, b_k \rangle = \langle a_0, a_{k-1} \rangle = \langle a_0, b_{k-1} \rangle = 0$ ,  $a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, a_k$  and  $b_k$  are spacelike vectors (see [7]). Furthermore,  $a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, a_k$  and  $b_k$  are nonzero vectors because  $\langle a_k, a_k \rangle = \langle b_k, b_k \rangle$ ,  $\langle a_{k-1}, a_{k-1} \rangle = \langle b_{k-1}, b_{k-1} \rangle$  and  $\gamma(s)$  is of  $k$ -type. And, from Lemma 3.1(2) and (3.2), we have

$$\langle a_k, a_{k-1} \rangle = \langle a_k, b_{k-1} \rangle = \langle b_k, a_{k-1} \rangle = \langle b_k, b_{k-1} \rangle = 0.$$

The above equations complete the proof.

**LEMMA 3.3.** *Suppose that  $\{a_0, a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, a_k, b_k\}$  is a basis of  $E_1^5$  satisfying (3.2). If a pair  $\{a_i, b_i\}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ) satisfies*

$$A_{ki} = \bar{A}_{ki} = 0 \text{ and } A_{(k-1)i} = \bar{A}_{(k-1)i} = 0,$$

then  $A_{ii} = \bar{A}_{ii} = 0$  if and only if  $M_i = \bar{M}_i = 0$ .

*Proof.* Put  $a_i = Aa_0 + Ba_{k-1} + Cb_{k-1} + Da_k + Eb_k$  and  $b_i = Fa_0 + Ga_{k-1} + Hb_{k-1} + Ia_k + Jb_k$ . Combining Lemma 3.1(2) and (3.2), we have  $B = H$ ,  $C = -G$ ,  $D = J$  and  $E = -I$ . If  $A_{ii} = \bar{A}_{ii} = 0$ , then we get  $A = F = 0$ . Hence  $M_i = 4 \langle a_0, a_i \rangle = 0$  and  $\bar{M}_i = 4 \langle a_0, b_i \rangle = 0$ .

By the same way, we can also prove the converse.

**LEMMA 3.4.** *Suppose that  $\{a_0, a_{k-1}, b_{k-1}, a_k, b_k\}$  is a basis of  $E_1^5$  satisfying (3.2). If a pair  $\{a_i, b_i\}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, k-2$ ) is satisfies*

$$A_{ki} = \bar{A}_{ki} = A_{(k-1)i} = \bar{A}_{(k-1)i} = 0$$

and

$$D_{ki} = \bar{D}_{ki} = D_{(k-1)i} = \bar{D}_{(k-1)i} = 0,$$

then  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  are parallel to  $a_0$ .

*Proof.* Put  $a_i = Aa_0 + Ba_{k-1} + Cb_{k-1} + Da_k + Eb_k$  and  $b_i = Fa_0 + Ga_{k-1} + Hb_{k-1} + Ia_k + Jb_k$ . From Lemma 3.1(2), (3.2) and our assumptions, we have  $B = C = D = E = 0$ ,  $G = H = I = J = 0$ . It follows that  $a_i = Aa_0$  and  $b_i = Fa_0$ .

The following is an example of a 2-type closed curve in the pseudo-hyperbolic space  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying (3.2).

EXAMPLE. The curve in  $E_1^5$

$$\gamma(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( 2, \cos s, \sin s, \frac{1}{2} \cos 2s, \frac{1}{2} \sin 2s \right)$$

is a 2-type closed curve on  $H^4(-\frac{11}{8})$ .

In fact, since  $\langle \gamma(s), \gamma(s) \rangle = -\frac{11}{8}$ ,  $\gamma(s)$  is a closed curve on  $H^4(-\frac{11}{8})$ . And we know  $\langle \gamma'(s), \gamma'(s) \rangle = 1$ . Furthermore,  $\gamma(s)$  can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(s) = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(2, 0, 0, 0, 0) \\ & + \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, 1, 0, 0, 0) \cos s + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, 0, 1, 0, 0) \sin s \right\} \\ & + \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}, 0) \cos 2s + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{1}{2}) \sin 2s \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\gamma(s)$  is a 2-type closed curve satisfying the equations of (3.2).

For a higher  $k$ -type ( $k \geq 3$ ) closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H^4(-c^2)$ , we proved the following nonexistence theorems.

**THEOREM 3.1.** *There exists no 3-type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $M_2 = \bar{M}_2 = 0$  and  $D_{32} = \bar{D}_{32} = 0$ .*



*Proof.* We assume the existence of the 3-type closed curve

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma(s) = & a_0 + a_1 \cos(p_1 s) + b_1 \sin(p_1 s) + a_2 \cos(p_2 s) + b_2 \sin(p_2 s) \\ & + a_3 \cos(p_3 s) + b_3 \sin(p_3 s)\end{aligned}$$

on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $M_2 = \bar{M}_2 = 0$  and  $D_{32} = \bar{D}_{32} = 0$ . From Lemma 3.1, we see  $M_3 = \bar{M}_3 = 0$ , and  $A_{32} = \bar{A}_{32} = 0$ . Therefore  $\{a_0, a_2, b_2, a_3, b_3\}$  is a basis of  $E_1^5$  satisfying (3.2) by Lemma 3.2 and our assumptions.

**Case 1.** In case of  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\} = \{p_1, 2p_1, 3p_1\}$ , it follows that  $\mathfrak{A} = \{p_1, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_2\} \cup \{2p_1, p_2, p_3 - p_1\} \cup \{p_1 + p_2, p_3\} \cup \{p_1 + p_3, 2p_2\} \cup \{p_2 + p_3\} \cup \{2p_3\}$ . Applying (2.3), (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7) for the subclasses  $\{p_1, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_2\}$  and  $\{2p_1, p_2, p_3 - p_1\}$  of  $\mathfrak{A}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0, & \quad D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0, \\ A_{21} = \bar{A}_{21} = 0, & \quad D_{21} = \bar{D}_{21} = 0, \\ M_1 = \bar{M}_1 = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Substituting Lemma 3.4, we get  $a_1 = b_1 = 0$ . It contradicts.

**Case 2.** In case of  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\} = \{p_1, 2p_1, 4p_1\}$ , it follows that  $\mathfrak{A} = \{p_1, p_2 - p_1\} \cup \{2p_1, p_2, p_3 - p_2\} \cup \{p_1 + p_2, p_3 - p_1\} \cup \{p_3, 2p_2\} \cup \{p_1 + p_3\} \cup \{p_2 + p_3\} \cup \{2p_3\}$ . From Lemma 3.1(1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0, & \quad D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0, \\ A_{21} = \bar{A}_{21} = 0, & \quad D_{21} = \bar{D}_{21} = 0, \\ M_1 = \bar{M}_1 = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lemma 3.4 leads to a contradiction.

**Case 3.** In case of  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\} = \{p_1, 3p_1, 5p_1\}$ ,  $\mathfrak{A} = \{p_1\} \cup \{2p_1, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_2\} \cup \{p_2\} \cup \{p_1 + p_2, p_3 - p_1\} \cup \{p_3\} \cup \{p_1 + p_3, 2p_2\} \cup \{p_2 + p_3\} \cup \{2p_3\}$ . Applying (2.3), (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7) for the subclasses  $\{2p_1, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_2\}$  of  $\mathfrak{A}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0, & \quad D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0, \\ A_{21} = \bar{A}_{21} = 0, & \quad D_{21} = \bar{D}_{21} = 0, \\ A_{11} = \bar{A}_{11} = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4 lead to a contradiction.

**Case 4.** Let  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\} \neq \{p_1, 2p_1, 3p_1\}, \{p_1, 2p_1, 4p_1\}$  or  $\{p_1, 3p_1, 5p_1\}$ . In this case, each subset  $\mathfrak{A}_n$  of  $\mathfrak{A}$  consists of at most two elements. Hence, Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4 lead to a contradiction by Lemma 3.1(1).

Summarizing all cases, we complete the proof of this theorem.

From Theorem 3.1, we have the following corollary.

**COROLLARY 3.1.** *There exists no 3-type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $\langle a_0, a_2 \rangle = \langle a_0, b_2 \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle a_3, a_2 \rangle = \langle a_3, b_2 \rangle = 0$ .*

Next, we get the following

**THEOREM 3.2.** *There exists no 3-type closed curve with constant curvature on  $H^4(-c^2)$ .*

*Proof.* In this case, each subset  $\mathfrak{A}_n$  of  $\mathfrak{A}$  consists of at most three elements. Hence, by Lemmas 3.1(1) and 3.2,  $\{a_0, a_2, b_2, a_3, b_3\}$  is a basis of  $E_1^5$ . This implies a contradiction by Lemma 3.4.

**THEOREM 3.3.** *There exists no 4-type closed curve with constant curvature on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $D_{43} = \bar{D}_{43} = 0$ .*

*Proof.* Assume the existence of the 4-type closed curve

$$\gamma(s) = a_0 + \sum_{t=1}^4 \{a_t \cos(p_t s) + b_t \sin(p_t s)\}$$

satisfying the conditions. Let  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  be the subclass consisting of all elements in  $\mathfrak{A}$  to be equal to  $p_i$ . Then the number of elements in  $\mathfrak{A}_3$  (and  $\mathfrak{A}_4$ ) is less than or equal to three. Hence, from Lemma 3.1, we obtain  $M_4 = \bar{M}_4 = 0$ ,  $M_3 = \bar{M}_3 = 0$  and  $A_{43} = \bar{A}_{43} = 0$ . Thus  $\{a_0, a_3, b_3, a_4, b_4\}$  is a basis of  $E_1^5$  satisfying (3.2) by Lemma 3.2 and our assumptions.

**Case 1.** Let  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\} = \{p_1, 2p_1, 3p_1, 4p_1\}$ , it follows that  $\mathfrak{A} = \{p_1, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_2, p_4 - p_3\} \cup \{2p_1, p_2, p_3 - p_1, p_4 - p_2\} \cup \{p_3, p_1 + p_2, p_4 - p_1\} \cup \{p_4, 2p_2, p_1 + p_3\} \cup \{p_1 + p_4, p_2 + p_3\} \cup \{2p_3, p_2 + p_4\} \cup \{p_4 + p_3\} \cup \{2p_4\}$ . Applying (2.3), (2.4), (2.8), (2.9) and Lemma 3.3 for the subclasses  $\{p_2, 2p_1, p_4 - p_2, p_3 - p_1\}$  and  $\{p_1, p_4 - p_3, p_3 - p_2, p_2 - p_1\}$  of  $\mathfrak{A}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} A_{41} = \bar{A}_{41} = 0, & \quad D_{41} = \bar{D}_{41} = 0, \\ A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0, & \quad D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0, \\ M_1 = \bar{M}_1 = 0. & \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lemma 3.4 leads to a contradiction.

**Case 2.** In case of  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\} \neq \{p_1, 2p_1, 3p_1, 4p_1\}$ , Let  $\mathfrak{A}'_t$  be the subclass consisting of all elements in  $\mathfrak{A}'$  to be equal to  $p_t$ . Then the number  $|\mathfrak{A}'_t|$  of elements in  $\mathfrak{A}'_t$  is less than or equal to three. Furthermore,  $|\mathfrak{A}_{4,-1}| \leq 3$  and  $|\mathfrak{A}_{3,-1}| \leq 3$ , where  $\mathfrak{A}_{4,-1}$  is the subclass of  $\mathfrak{A}'$  containing  $p_4 - p_1$ . From Lemma 3.1(1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} A_{41} = \bar{A}_{41} = 0, & \quad D_{41} = \bar{D}_{41} = 0, \\ A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0, & \quad D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0, \\ M_1 = \bar{M}_1 = 0. & \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4 lead to a contradiction.

Summarizing above two cases, we complete the proof of this theorem.

From Theorem 3.3, we have also the following two corollaries.

**COROLLARY 3.2.** *There exists no 4-type closed curve with constant curvature on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $\langle a_4, a_3 \rangle = \langle a_4, b_3 \rangle = 0$ .*

**COROLLARY 3.3.** *There exists no 4-type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $\langle \gamma^{(l)}(s), \gamma^{(l)}(s) \rangle$  is constant ( $l = 2, 3$ ).*

**THEOREM 3.4.** *There exists no 5-type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H^4(-c^2)$  with  $D_{54} = \bar{D}_{54} = 0$  satisfying  $\langle \gamma^{(l)}(s), \gamma^{(l)}(s) \rangle$  is constant ( $l = 2, 3$ ).*

*Proof.* Assume the existence of the 5-type closed curve

$$\gamma(s) = a_0 + \sum_{t=1}^5 \{a_t \cos(p_t s) + b_t \sin(p_t s)\}$$

satisfying our conditions. In this case,  $\{a_0, a_4, b_4, a_5, b_5\}$  is a basis of  $E_1^5$  satisfying (3.2).

**Case 1.** Let  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5\} = \{p_1, 2p_1, 3p_1, 4p_1, 5p_1\}$ , it follows that  $\mathfrak{A} = \{p_1, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_2, p_4 - p_3, p_5 - p_4\} \cup \{2p_1, p_2, p_3 - p_1, p_4 - p_2, p_5 - p_3\} \cup \{p_3, p_1 + p_2, p_4 - p_1, p_5 - p_2\} \cup \{p_4, 2p_2, p_1 + p_3, p_5 - p_1\} \cup \{p_5, p_1 + p_4, p_2 + p_3\} \cup \{2p_3, p_1 + p_5, p_2 + p_4\} \cup \{p_2 + p_5, p_3 + p_4\} \cup \{2p_4, p_3 + p_5\} \cup \{p_5 + p_4\} \cup \{2p_5\}$ . Applying (2.3), (2.4), (2.8), (2.9), Lemmas 3.1 and 3.3 for the subclasses  $\{p_2, 2p_1, p_3 - p_1, p_4 - p_2, p_5 - p_3\}$  of  $\mathfrak{A}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} A_{52} = \bar{A}_{52} = 0, & \quad D_{52} = \bar{D}_{52} = 0, \\ A_{42} = \bar{A}_{42} = 0, & \quad D_{42} = \bar{D}_{42} = 0, \\ A_{22} = \bar{A}_{22} = 0. & \end{aligned}$$

Hence, Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4 lead to a contradiction.

**Case 2.** In case of  $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5\} \neq \{p_1, 2p_1, 3p_1, 4p_1, 5p_1\}$ , let  $\mathfrak{A}'_t$  be the subclass consisting of all elements in  $\mathfrak{A}'$  to be equal to  $p_t$ . Then the number of elements in  $\mathfrak{A}'_t$  is less than or equal to four. Hence, Lemma 3.4 leads to a contradiction by Lemma 3.1.

Finally, we have also the following corollary.

**COROLLARY 3.4.** *There exists no 5-type closed curve  $\gamma(s)$  on  $H^4(-c^2)$  satisfying  $\langle \gamma^{(l)}(s), \gamma^{(l)}(s) \rangle$  is constant ( $l = 2, 3, 4$ ).*

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