

## HOMOGENEOUS LORENTZ MANIFOLDS WITH ISOTROPY SUBGROUP $U(2)$ OR $SO(2)$

Dedicated to Professor Tsunero Takahasi on his 60th birthday

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### 1. Introduction.

Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional connected Lorentz manifold with metric  $\langle, \rangle$  of signature  $(-, +, \dots, +)$ . In this note, we assume that an isometry group has compact isotropy subgroup at every point in  $M$ .

In [8], we showed that, if  $n \geq 6$ , there is no  $r$ -dimensional isometry group for  $(n-1)(n-2)/2+3 \leq r \leq n(n-1)/2-1$ , and we determined simply connected  $n$ -dimensional Lorentz manifolds admitting an isometry of dimension  $(n-1)(n-2)/2+2$  for  $n \geq 6$ . However, there exists a 5-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a 9  $(=(5-1)(5-2)/2+3=5(5-1)/2-1)$ -dimensional isometry group (see Remark 1.3 in [8]). In §3, we will determine simply connected 5-dimensional Lorentz manifolds admitting an isometry group of dimension 9. That is, we have the following Theorem A.

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 5-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a connected 9-dimensional isometry group  $G$  with compact isotropy subgroup at every point in  $M$ . Then  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is one of the following:*

- (1)  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to  $(\mathbf{R} \times M_2, -dt^2 + ds^2)$  where  $(M_2, ds^2)$  is a 2-dimensional simply connected complex space form;
- (2)  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to a simply connected 5-dimensional Lie group with a left-invariant Lorentz metric  $\langle, \rangle$  and  $G$  is isomorphic to a semi-direct product  $U(2) \rtimes M$ ;
- (3)  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is a principal fibre bundle, with a 1-dimensional structure group, over a 2-dimensional simply connected complex space form.

In [6], [7], we determined  $n$ -dimensional Lorentz manifolds admitting an isometry group of dimension  $n(n-1)/2+1$  (for  $n \geq 4$ ). In §4, we will determine simply connected  $n$ -dimensional Lorentz manifolds admitting a connected isometry group of dimension  $n(n-1)/2+1$  for  $n=3$ . This is, we have the follow-

ing Theorem B.

**THEOREM B.** *Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 3-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a connected 4-dimensional isometry group  $G$  with compact isotropy subgroup at every point in  $M$ . Then  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is one of the following:*

(1)  *$(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to  $(\mathbf{R} \times M_2, -dt^2 + ds^2)$  where  $(M_2, ds^2)$  is a simply connected 2-dimensional Riemannian space form;*

(2)  *$(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to a simply connected 3-dimensional Lie group with a left-invariant Lorentz metric and  $G$  is isomorphic to a semi-direct product  $SO(2) \rtimes M$ ;*

(3)  *$(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is a principal fibre bundle, with a 1-dimensional structure group, over a simply connected 2-dimensional Riemannian space form.*

In [8], we determined simply connected  $n$ -dimensional Lorentz manifolds  $M$  admitting an isometry group of dimension  $(n-1)(n-2)/2+2$  for  $n \geq 6$ . In §4, we will determine simply connected  $n$ -dimensional Lorentz manifolds  $M$  admitting an isometry group of dimension  $(n-1)(n-2)/2+2$  for  $n=4$ . That is, we will show the following Theorem C.

**THEOREM C.** *Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 4-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a connected 5-dimensional isometry group  $G$  with compact isotropy subgroup at every point in  $M$ . Then  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is one of the following:*

(1)  *$(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to  $(M_1 \times M_2, ds_1^2 + ds_2^2)$  where  $(M_1, ds_1^2)$  is a simply connected 2-dimensional Lie group with a left-invariant Lorentz metric  $ds_1^2$  and  $(M_2, ds_2^2)$  is a simply connected 2-dimensional Riemannian space form;*

(2)  *$(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to a simply connected 4-dimensional Lie group with a left-invariant Lorentz metric and  $G$  is a semi-direct product  $SO(2) \rtimes M$ ;*

(3)  *$(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is a principal fibre bundle, with a 2-dimensional abelian structure group, over a simply connected 2-dimensional Riemannian space form.*

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## 2. Preliminaries.

Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a connected Lorentz manifold with metric  $\langle, \rangle$  of signature  $(-, +, \dots, +)$  and let  $G$  be a connected isometry group acting on  $M$  such that the isotropy subgroup  $H$  at  $o \in M$  is compact. Then the linear isotropy subgroup  $\tilde{H} = \{dh; h \in H\}$  is a closed subgroup of  $O(1, n-1) = \{A \in GL(n, \mathbf{R}); {}^tASA = S\}$  where  $S$  is the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

( $I_{n-1}$  is the unit matrix of degree  $n-1$ ). So  $\tilde{H}$  is conjugate to a closed subgroup of  $O(1) \times O(n-1)$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 5-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a 9-dimensional isometry group  $G$  with compact isotropy subgroup at every point in  $M$ . Then  $G$  acts on  $M$  transitively and the linear isotropy subgroup is conjugate to  $1 \times U(2)$ .*

**PROOF.** Suppose that  $G$  does not act on  $M$  transitively. Then  $\dim G(o) \leq 4 (o \in M)$ . Hence the dimension of the isotropy subgroup  $H$  at  $o$  is not less than 5. On the other hand, since  $H$  is compact, the linear isotropy subgroup is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $O(1) \times O(4)$ , so  $\dim H \leq 4(4-1)/2 = 6$ . Thus  $5 \leq \dim H \leq 6$ . Then we have  $\dim H = 6$  (c.f., [2], [9]), so that we have  $\dim G(o) = 3$ , which contradicts Lemma 1.2 in [8]. Therefore  $G$  is transitive on  $M$ .

Since  $M$  is simply connected,  $H$  is connected and the linear isotropy subgroup  $\tilde{H}$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $1 \times SO(4)$ . Since  $\dim H = \dim G - \dim M = 4$ ,  $\tilde{H}$  is conjugate to  $1 \times U(2)$  (c.f., [9]). ■

By the same way as the proof of Proposition 2.1, we have

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** *Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 4 (resp. 3)-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a 5 (resp. 4)-dimensional isometry group with compact isotropy subgroup at every point in  $M$ . Then  $G$  acts on  $M$  transitively and the linear isotropy subgroup is conjugate to  $I_2 \times SO(2)$  (resp.  $1 \times SO(2)$ ).*

In view of Propositions 2.1 and 2.2, we consider homogeneous Lorentz manifolds  $G/H = M$  ( $H$  is the isotropy subgroup of  $G$  at some point  $o \in M$ ). We denote Lie algebras of  $G$  and  $H$  by  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\mathfrak{h}$  respectively. Since  $H$  is compact, there exists a subspace  $\mathfrak{m}$  of  $\mathfrak{g}$  such that

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}, \quad [\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{m}] \subseteq \mathfrak{m}.$$

Let  $\pi : G \rightarrow G/H = M$  be the natural projection. We identify the tangent space  $T_oM$  and  $\mathfrak{m}$  by  $d\pi$ . The Lorentz inner product on  $T_oM$  induces the Lorentz inner product  $\langle, \rangle_{\mathfrak{m}}$  on  $\mathfrak{m}$  so that  $d\pi : \mathfrak{m} \rightarrow T_oM$  is a linear isometry.

### 3. Proof of Theorem A.

Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 5-dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a connected isometry group  $G$  of dimension 9. By the Proposition 2.1,  $M$  is a simply connected homogeneous Lorentz manifold  $G/H$  and the linear isotropy subgroup is conjugate to  $1 \times U(2)$ . Then  $Ad(H)$  acts on  $\mathfrak{m}$  as  $1 \times U(2)$ , so there exists a 1-dimensional subspace  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  and a 4-dimensional subspace  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  of  $\mathfrak{m}$  such that

$$\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{m}_2$$

and  $Ad(H) = id.$  on  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  (so,  $[\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{m}_1] = \{0\}$ ),  $Ad(H) = U(2)$  on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ . Since  $U(2)$  acts on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  irreducibly and contains  $-I_2$ , we have Lemma 3.1 by using Schur's Lemma.

LEMMA 3.1.  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  is spacelike and  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  is perpendicular to  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  (so,  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  is timelike).

Let  $p_0, p_1$  and  $p_2$  be orthogonal projections from  $\mathfrak{g}$  to  $\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{m}_1$  and  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  respectively. Since  $\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{m}_1$  and  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  are  $Ad(H)$ -invariant, we see

$$(3.1) \quad p_i Ad(h) = Ad(h) p_i \quad (i=0, 1, 2)$$

for any  $h \in H$ . Since there exists  $E \in \mathfrak{h}$  such that

$$Ad(\exp tE) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos tI_2 & -\sin tI_2 \\ \sin tI_2 & \cos tI_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ , we have

$$(3.2) \quad [E, X] = JX$$

for any  $X \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ , where  $J$  is an almost complex structure on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ .

REMARK 3.2.  $E$  belongs to the center of  $\mathfrak{h}$ .

LEMMA 3.3.  $[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \mathfrak{m}_2$ . More precisely, there exist linear maps  $L_1, L_2: \mathfrak{m}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that

$$[A, X] = L_1(A)X + L_2(A)JX$$

for any  $A \in \mathfrak{m}_1$  and any  $X \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ .

PROOF. For any fixed  $A \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ , we define a linear map  $f_A: \mathfrak{m}_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  by  $f_A(X) = [A, X]$  ( $X \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ ). Since  $Ad(H) = id.$  on  $\mathfrak{m}_1$ , we have

$$(3.3) \quad f_A Ad(h) = Ad(h) f_A$$

for any  $h \in H$ . By (3.1) and (3.3), we have

$$(3.4) \quad (p_i f_A) Ad(h) = Ad(h)(p_i f_A) \quad (i=0, 1, 2)$$

for any  $h \in H$ .

*Step 1.* We claim  $p_1[m_1, m_2] = \{0\}$ . Since  $\ker(p_1 f_A)$  is  $Ad(H)$ -invariant by (3.4) and  $Ad(H)$  acts on  $m_2$  irreducibly, we have  $\ker(p_1 f_A) = \{0\}$  or  $m_2$ . On the other hand, there exist a non-zero  $X \in m_2$  and  $h \in H$  such that  $Ad(h)X - X \neq 0$ . We have  $p_1 f_A(Ad(h)X - X) = 0$ , which implies that  $Ad(h)X - X \in \ker(p_1 f_A)$ . Therefore we have  $\ker(p_1 f_A) = m_2$ , that is,  $p_1[A, m_2] = \{0\}$ . Since  $A$  is arbitrary, we have  $p_1[m_1, m_2] = \{0\}$ .

*Step 2.* We claim  $p_0[m_1, m_2] = \{0\}$ . By the same procedure as step 1, we have  $\ker(p_0 f_A) = \{0\}$  or  $m_2$ . Assume  $\ker(p_0 f_A) = \{0\}$ . Since  $p_0 f_A: m_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$  is injective, we have  $\dim(p_0 f_A(m_2)) = 4 = \dim \mathfrak{h}$ , so we have  $[A, m_2] = \mathfrak{h}$ . On the other hand,  $[A, m_2]$  is spanned by  $[A, X]$ 's ( $X \in m_2$ ) and we have

$$\begin{aligned} [A, X] &= [A, -J^2 X] = -[A, [E, JX]] \\ &= -[E, [A, JX]] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

because  $E$  belongs to the center of  $\mathfrak{h}$ . Thus we have  $[A, m_2] = \{0\}$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore, we have  $p_0[A, m_2] = \{0\}$ . Since  $A$  is arbitrary, we have  $p_0[m_1, m_2] = \{0\}$ .

*Step 3.*  $f_A$  is a linear map from  $m_2$  to  $m_2$  by step 1 and step 2, and  $f_A$  commutes with  $Ad(h)$  for any  $h \in H$ , so by Schur's Lemma, there exist linear maps  $L_1, L_2: m_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that

$$f_A(X) = L_1(A)X + L_2(A)JX \quad (X \in m_2). \quad \blacksquare$$

For a non-zero  $A_1 \in m_1$ , set  $m'_1 = \mathbf{R}\{A_1 - L_2(A_1)E\}$ . Since  $E$  belongs to the center of  $\mathfrak{h}$ , we have  $[m'_1, m_2] = \{0\}$ . It is trivial that

$$[A, X] = L_1(p_2(A))X \quad (A \in m'_1, X \in m_2).$$

Thus we have a new decomposition of  $\mathfrak{g}$ :

$$\mathfrak{g} = m' \oplus \mathfrak{h},$$

(where  $m' = m'_1 \oplus m_2$ ), according which we define a Lorentz inner product on  $m'$  as in § 2. Then  $m_2$  is spacelike and perpendicular to  $m'_1$ , and we have Lemma 3.3'.

**LEMMA 3.3'.**  $[m'_1, m_2] \subseteq m_2$ . *More precisely, there exists a linear map  $L'_1: m'_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that*

$$[A, X] = L'_1(A)X \quad (A \in m'_1, X \in m_2).$$

We use notations  $\mathfrak{m}$ ,  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  and  $L$  instead of  $\mathfrak{m}'$ ,  $\mathfrak{m}'_1$  and  $L'_1$  respectively.

LEMMA 3.4. (1) *If  $L \neq 0$ , then  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] = 0$ .*

(2) *If  $L = 0$ , then  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}_1$ .*

PROOF. For any  $Z, W \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ , we have

$$Jp_2[Z, W] = p_2[JZ, W] + p_2[Z, JW]$$

by the equality

$$[E, [Z, W]] = [[E, Z], W] + [Z, [E, W]].$$

Therefore, for a basis  $X, JX, Y, JY$  of  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_2[X, JX] &= p_2[Y, JY] = 0 \\ p_2[X, Y] + p_2[JX, JY] &= 0 \\ p_2[X, JY] + p_2[Y, JX] &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

so  $\dim p_2[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \leq 2$ . On the other hand,  $p_2[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2]$  is  $Ad(H)$ -invariant subspace of  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  by (3.1). Thus we have  $p_2[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$ , that is,  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}_1$ . Thus, for any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ , we can set  $[X, Y] = U + A$  ( $U \in \mathfrak{h}$ ,  $A \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ ). Then, for  $B \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ , we have  $2L(B)[X, Y] = [B, A] = 0$ . If  $L \neq 0$ , then  $[X, Y] = 0$ . ■

LEMMA 3.5. *If  $L = 0$ , then  $\mathfrak{m}_1 = \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$  where  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$  is a center of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .*

PROOF. Since  $[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{h}] = \{0\} = [\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2]$ , it is trivial that  $\mathfrak{m}_1 \subseteq \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$ .

Let  $Z$  be any vector in  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$ . For any  $X \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ , we have  $[p_0(Z), X] + [p_2(Z), X] = 0$ . Since  $[p_0(Z), X] \in \mathfrak{m}_2$  and  $[p_2(Z), X] \in \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}_1$ , we have  $[p_0(Z), X] = 0$ , which implies  $p_0(Z) = 0$ . We have  $p_2(Z) = 0$  by equalities  $0 = [E, Z] = Jp_2(Z)$ . Therefore we have  $Z \in \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m}_1)$ . ■

By the above argument, we have following possibilities;

- (i)  $[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \mathfrak{m}_2$      $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$ ;
- (ii)  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$ ,     $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \mathfrak{h}$ ;
- (iii)  $[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$ ,     $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathfrak{m}_1$ ;
- (iv)  $[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$ ,     $p_0[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \neq \{0\}$ ,     $p_1[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \neq \{0\}$ .

Case (ii). By the same way as in the proof of the Theorem B in [7], we have the space (1).

Case (i) and (iii).  $\mathfrak{m}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{m}_2$  is an ideal in  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $K$  be a connected Lie subgroup of  $G$  whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{m}$ . Then  $K$  is a closed normal subgroup of

$G$ . Since the dimension of the isotropy subgroup of  $K$  at  $o \in M$  is equal to  $\dim(K \cap H) = \dim(\mathfrak{m} \cap \mathfrak{h}) = 0$ , we have  $\dim K(o) = \dim M$ . Therefore  $K(o)$  is open in  $M$ . Since  $K$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ , each  $K$ -orbit is open in  $M$ . By the connectedness of  $M$ , we have  $K(o) = M$ . Thus  $M$  is isometric to the Lie group  $K$  with a left invariant Lorentz metric. Since the sequence

$$1 \longrightarrow H \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow G/H = K(o) \longrightarrow 1$$

is exact and there exists a cross section  $s: K(o) \rightarrow G$  such that  $\pi s = id$ .  $G$  is a semi-direct product of  $H = U(2)$  and  $M = K(o)$ . Thus we have space (2).

*Case (iv).* Let  $C$  be a Lie subgroup of  $G$  whose Lie algebra is  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g}) = \mathfrak{m}_1$ . Then  $C$  is a closed, commutative and normal subgroup of  $G$ , and acts on  $M$  freely (because  $C \cap H = \{1\}$ ). Therefore, each  $C$ -orbit is a 1-dimensional closed submanifold and timelike (because  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  is timelike).

LEMMA 3.6. *The orbit space  $M/C$  has a differentiable manifold structure.*

PROOF. Since  $H$  is compact and  $C$  is closed,  $C$  acts on  $M$  properly (c. f., [5], [11]). Then  $M/C$  is a Hausdorff space and satisfies the second countable axiom (c. f., [3]). Since each  $C$ -orbit  $C(x)$  of  $x \in M$  is timelike, there exists an open set  $V$  in  $\mathbf{R}^4$  such that a normal exponential map  $\exp_x^\perp: V \rightarrow S = \exp_x^\perp(V)$  is a diffeomorphism and  $\langle T_x S, T_x C(x) \rangle = 0$ . Then  $M/C$  has a differentiable manifold structure (c. f., [3]). ■

By the same procedure as in the proof of Theorem 30.2 in [3], we have

LEMMA 3.7.  *$C \rightarrow M \rightarrow M/C$  is a principal fibre bundle with a structure group  $C$ .*

We introduce a Riemannian metric  $h$  on  $M/C$  so that  $p: M \rightarrow M/C$  is a semi-Riemannian submersion as follows: Let  $S(y)$  be a neighborhood of  $y = p(\bar{y})$  in  $M/C$  and  $\chi_{S(y)}$  be a local cross section from  $S(y)$  to  $M$ . We define a Riemannian metric  $h_{S(y)}$  on  $S(y)$  by

$$h_{S(y)}(X, Y) = \langle d\chi_{S(y)}(X), d\chi_{S(y)}(Y) \rangle (\chi_{S(y)})$$

for any vector fields  $X$  and  $Y$  on  $M/C$ . Since  $\chi_{S(y)}(x)$  and  $\chi_{S(z)}(x)$  belong to the same  $C$ -orbit for  $x \in S(y) \cap S(z)$ , there exists  $c \in C$  such that  $c\chi_{S(y)}(x) = \chi_{S(z)}(x)$ . Therefore we have

$$h_{S(z)}(X, Y)(x) = h_{S(y)}(X, Y)(x).$$

Thus  $\{h_{S(y)}\}$  defines a Riemannian metric on  $M/C$ .

$G/C$  is an isometry group acting on  $M/C$  effectively and transitively, and the isotropy subgroup is  $H/C=H=U(2)$ . So  $M/C$  is a simply connected 2-dimensional complex space form (c.f., [4]).

Thus  $M$  is a principal fibre bundle with an abelian structure group  $C$  of dimension 1, over a simply connected 2-dimensional complex space form. We complete the proof of the Theorem A.

REMARK 3.8. When  $L \neq 0$ , the space (2) in the Theorem A is isometric to the Lie group  $G_\varepsilon$  in [10] and  $G$  is a semi-direct product  $U(2) \rtimes G_\varepsilon$ .

REMARK 3.9. By the similar way as the proof of the Theorem A, we have the following. Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected 6-dimensional Lorentz manifold on which a connected isometry group  $G$  acts transitively. If the linear isotropy subgroup  $H$  at  $o \in M$  acts on  $T_oM$  as  $I_2 \times U(2)$ , then  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is one of the following:

(1)  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to  $(N_1 \times M_2, dt^2 + ds^2)$  where  $(M_1, dt^2)$  is a simply connected 2-dimensional Lie group with a left-invariant Lorentz metric  $dt^2$  and  $(M_2, ds^2)$  is a 2-dimensional simply connected complex space form;

(2)  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is isometric to a simply connected 6-dimensional Lie group with a left-invariant Lorentz metric and  $G$  is isomorphic to a semi-direct product  $U(2) \rtimes M$ ;

(3)  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  is a principal fibre bundle, with a 2-dimensional abelian structure group, over a 2-dimensional simply connected complex space form.

#### 4. Proofs of the Theorem B and Theorem C.

Let  $(M, \langle, \rangle)$  be a simply connected  $n$ -dimensional Lorentz manifold admitting a connected isometry group of dimension  $n(n-1)/2+1$  (resp.  $(n-1)(n-2)/2+2$ ) for  $n=3$  (resp.  $n=4$ ). By the Proposition 2.2,  $M$  is a simply connected homogeneous Lorentz manifold  $G/H$  and the linear isotropy subgroup is conjugate to  $I_{n-2} \times SO(2)$ . Then  $Ad(H)$  acts on  $\mathfrak{m}$  as  $I_{n-2} \times SO(2)$ , so there exist an  $(n-2)$ -dimensional subspace  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  and a 2-dimensional subspace  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  of  $\mathfrak{m}$  such that  $\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{m}_2$ ,  $Ad(H) = I_{n-2}$  on  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  and  $Ad(H) = SO(2)$  on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ . By the same way as the proof of Lemma 3.1, we have

LEMMA 4.1.  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  is spacelike and perpendicular to  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  (therefore,  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  is timelike).

Let  $p_0$ ,  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  be orthogonal projection from  $\mathfrak{g}$  to  $\mathfrak{h}$ ,  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  and  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  respectively. Then by the same reason as in §3, we have



$$(4.1) \quad p_i Ad(h) = Ad(h)p_i \quad (i=0, 1, 2)$$

for any  $h \in H$ . Since there exists  $E \in \mathfrak{h}$  such that

$$Ad(\exp tE) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & -\sin t \\ \sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}$$

on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ . We have

$$(4.2) \quad [E, X] = JX \quad (X \in \mathfrak{m}_2)$$

where  $J$  is an almost complex structure on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ .

LEMMA 4.2. *There exists linear maps  $L_1, L_2: \mathfrak{m}_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that*

$$[A, X] = L_1(A)X + L_2(A)JX$$

for any  $A \in \mathfrak{m}_1$  and any  $X \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ .

PROOF. For any fixed  $A \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ , we define a linear map  $f_A: \mathfrak{m}_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}$  by  $f_A(X) = [A, X] (X \in \mathfrak{m}_2)$ . By the same procedure as in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we have  $\ker(p_0 f_A) = \{0\}$  or  $\mathfrak{m}_2$ . Suppose that  $\ker(p_0 f_A) = \{0\}$ . Then  $p_0 f_A: \mathfrak{m}_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}$  is injective, so  $\dim \mathfrak{h} \geq 2$  which contradicts the fact that  $\dim \mathfrak{h} = 1$ . Since  $A$  is arbitrary, we have  $p_0[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$ . We can show  $p_1[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$  by the same way as in the proof of Lemma 3.3. Therefore we have Lemma 4.2 by Schur's Lemma. ■

Let  $A_1, \dots, A_{n-2}$  be a basis of  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  such that  $L_2(A_j) = 0 (j \neq 1)$ . Set  $\mathfrak{m}'_1 = \mathbf{R}\{A_1 - L_2(A_1)E, A_2, \dots, A_{n-2}\}$ . Then we have a new decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{m}'$  (where  $\mathfrak{m}' = \mathfrak{m}'_1 \oplus \mathfrak{m}_2$ ) of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and we have

$$(4.3) \quad [A'X] = L_1(p_1(A')X) \quad (A' \in \mathfrak{m}'_1, X \in \mathfrak{m}_2).$$

By the same procedure as in § 3,  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  is spacelike and perpendicular to  $\mathfrak{m}'_1$  and we have

LEMMA 4.2'. *There exists a linear map  $L'_1: \mathfrak{m}'_1 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that*

$$[A', X] = L'_1(A')X \quad (A' \in \mathfrak{m}'_1, X \in \mathfrak{m}_2).$$

We use the notation  $\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}$  and  $L$  instead of  $\mathfrak{m}'_1, \mathfrak{m}'$  and  $L'_1$  respectively.

LEMMA 4.3.  $[\mathfrak{m}_1, \mathfrak{m}_1] \subseteq \ker(L)$  for  $n=4$ .

PROOF. For any  $A, B \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} Ad(h)p_2[A, B] &= p_2[Ad(h)A, Ad(h)B] \\ &= p_2[A, B], \end{aligned}$$

for any  $h \in H$ . Since  $Ad(H)$  acts on  $\mathfrak{m}_2$  irreducibly, we have  $p_2[A, B] = 0$ . Thus we can set  $[A, B] = \alpha E + C$  (for some  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  and for some  $C \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ ). For any  $X \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} [X, [A, B]] &= [[X, A], B] + [A, [X, B]] \\ &= L(A)L(B)X - L(A)L(B)X = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$0 = [X, [A, B]] = [X, \alpha E + C] = -\alpha JX - L(C)X.$$

Since  $X$  and  $JX$  are linearly independent, we have  $\alpha = 0$  and  $L(C) = 0$ , so we have  $[A, B] = C$  where  $C \in \ker(L)$ . ■

LEMMA 4.4. (1) If  $L \neq 0$ , then  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] = \{0\}$  (resp.  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \ker(L)$ ) for  $n=3$  (resp.  $n=4$ ).

(2) If  $L=0$ , then  $[\mathfrak{m}_2, \mathfrak{m}_2] \subseteq \mathfrak{h} \oplus \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m}_1)$ , where  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m}_1)$  is a center of  $\mathfrak{m}_1$  in  $\mathfrak{m}_1$ .

.PROOF. For any  $X, Y \in \mathfrak{m}_2$ , we can set  $[X, Y] = U + A(U \in \mathfrak{h}, A \in \mathfrak{m}_1)$  by the same way as the proof of Lemma 3.4. Then for  $B \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ , we have  $2L(B)[X, Y] = [A, B]$ . If  $L \neq 0$ , then  $[X, Y] = [B, A]/2L(B)$  for a nonzero  $B$ , so we have (1). If  $L=0$ , then  $[B, A] = 0$  for any  $B \in \mathfrak{m}_1$ , so  $A \in \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m}_1)$ . ■

By the same way as the proof of Lemma 3.5, we have

LEMMA 4.5. If  $L=0$ , then  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m}_1) = \mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$  where  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{g})$  is a center of  $\mathfrak{g}$ .

REMARK 4.6. If  $n=4$ , then  $\dim \mathfrak{m}_1 = 2$ , so  $\mathfrak{z}(\mathfrak{m}_1) = \{0\}$  or  $\mathfrak{m}_1$ .

By the same way as in §3, we have Theorem B and Theorem C.

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