

# Ricci Bi-Conformal Vector Fields on Siklos Spacetimes

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## Abstract

Ricci bi-conformal vector fields have find their place in geometry as well as in physical applications. In this paper, we consider the Siklos spacetimes and we determine all the Ricci bi-conformal vector fields on these spaces.

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## 1. Introduction

Siklos [1] found a class of metrics on spacetimes which are solutions of Einstein's field equations with an Einstein-Maxwell source. They are a class of Petrov type  $N$  with cosmological constant  $\Lambda < 0$ . All of them admit a null non-twisting Killing field. In global coordinates  $(x, y, z, w)$ , Siklos metrics are given by:

$$g = -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^2} (2dxdy + Hdy^2 + dz^2 + dw^2), \quad (1)$$

where  $H = H(y, z, w)$  is an arbitrary smooth function [1, 2]. The class of Siklos spacetimes coincides with the subclass  $(IV)_0$  of Kundt spacetimes [3]. Homogeneous Siklos metrics correspond to cases admitting at least four linearly independent Killing vector fields. They form five subclasses  $I), \dots, V)$ . For each of

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subclasses  $I), \dots, V)$  we consider the special form of  $H$  [4] as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} I) \quad & H = A_{-2}(z, w), \\ II) \quad & H = A(z), \\ III) \quad & H = A(y)z^2, \\ IV) \quad & H = y^{2k-2}A(y^k z), \\ V) \quad & H = \pm z^k, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A_{-2}(z, w)$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $-2$  of variables  $z, w$  and  $A$  is a smooth function.

Let  $(M, g)$  be a smooth  $n$ -dimensional pseudo-Riemannian manifold. A vector field  $X$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is said to be a Killing field if

$$\mathcal{L}_X g = 0,$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_X$  is the Lie derivative in the direction of  $X$ . Killing vector fields were considered in [5]. Recently, various generalizations of Killing vector fields have been investigated. If there is a smooth function  $\psi$  on  $M$  that is named a potential function, such that  $\mathcal{L}_X g = 2\psi g$  then vector field  $X$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is called a conformal vector field. If the potential function  $\psi = 0$ ,  $X$  is a Killing vector field. Conformal vector fields have been explained [6, 7]. A vector field  $X$  on  $M$  is called a Kerr-Schild vector field whenever

$$\mathcal{L}_X g = \alpha l \otimes l, \quad \mathcal{L}_X l = \beta l,$$

where  $l$  is a null 1-form field and  $\alpha, \beta$  are real smooth functions over  $M$ . Also, the generalized Kerr-Schild vector field is determined by

$$\mathcal{L}_X g = \alpha g + \beta l \otimes l, \quad \mathcal{L}_X l = \gamma l,$$

where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are smooth functions over  $M$ . Coll et al. [8] investigated the generalized Kerr-Schild vector field. A symmetric tensor  $h$  on  $M$  is said to be a square root of  $g$  if  $h_{ik}h_j^k = g_{ij}$ . Garcia-Parrado and Senovilla [9] by using the square root of  $g$  defined bi-conformal vector fields. A vector field  $X$  is called a bi-conformal vector field if it satisfies the following equations:

$$\mathcal{L}_X g = \alpha g + \beta h, \quad \mathcal{L}_X h = \alpha h + \beta g,$$

where  $h$  is a symmetric square root of  $g$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  are smooth functions. The functions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are called gauges [8, 9] of the symmetry and they play a role analogous to the factor  $\psi$  appearing in the definition of the conformal vector fields. After that, De et al. in [10] using the metric tensor field  $g$  and the Ricci tensor field  $S$  defined Ricci bi-conformal vector fields as follows:

**Definition 1.1.** A vector field  $X$  on a Riemannian manifold  $(M, g)$  is called Ricci bi-conformal vector field if it satisfies the following equations

$$(\mathcal{L}_X g)(Y, Z) = \alpha g(Y, Z) + \beta S(Y, Z), \tag{2}$$

and

$$(\mathcal{L}_X S)(Y, Z) = \alpha S(Y, Z) + \beta g(Y, Z), \tag{3}$$

for any vector fields  $Y, Z$  and some smooth functions  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , where  $S$  is the Ricci tensor of  $M$  with respect to metric  $g$ .

Also, Ricci soliton is introduced by Hamilton [11] as follows:

$$\mathcal{L}_X g + S = \lambda g, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R},$$

which is a natural generalization of Einstein metric. For more details, see [12–18]. Calvaruso in [4, 19–21] investigated the Ricci soliton on homogeneous Siklos spacetimes. Recently, various generalizations of Killing vector fields have been investigated.

Motivated by [4, 10, 19–21], we study the Ricci bi-conformal vector fields on Siklos spacetime. This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we recall some necessary concepts on Siklos spacetime which be used throughout this paper. In Section 3 we give the main results and their proofs.

## 2. Preliminaries

We may refer to [2, 19] for the essential information concerning the Levi-Civita connection and curvature of an arbitrary Siklos metric  $g$ . Let

$$\partial_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \quad \partial_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \quad \partial_3 = \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \quad \partial_4 = \frac{\partial}{\partial w}.$$

With respect to the global coordinates  $(x, y, z, w)$  used in (1), the Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  of  $g$  is determined by the following non-vanishing components:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\partial_1} \partial_2 &= \frac{1}{z} \partial_3, & \nabla_{\partial_1} \partial_3 &= -\frac{1}{z} \partial_1, \\ \nabla_{\partial_2} \partial_2 &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_2 H) \partial_4 + \frac{1}{2z} (2H - z \partial_3 H) \partial_3 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_4 H) \partial_4, \\ \nabla_{\partial_2} \partial_3 &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_3 H) \partial_1 - \frac{1}{z} \partial_2, \\ \nabla_{\partial_2} \partial_4 &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_4 H) \partial_1, & \nabla_{\partial_3} \partial_3 &= -\frac{1}{z} \partial_3, \\ \nabla_{\partial_3} \partial_4 &= -\frac{1}{z} \partial_4, & \nabla_{\partial_4} \partial_4 &= \frac{1}{z} \partial_3. \end{aligned}$$

The non-vanishing components of Riemannian-Christoffel curvature tensor  $R$  of  $g$  are the following:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{1212} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^4}, & R_{1323} &= \frac{3}{\Lambda z^4}, \\ R_{1424} &= \frac{3}{\Lambda z^4}, & R_{2323} &= \frac{3(2H - z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H))}{2\Lambda z^4}, \\ R_{2324} &= \frac{3\partial_{34}^2 H}{2\Lambda z^2}, & R_{2424} &= \frac{3(2H - z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{44}^2 H))}{2\Lambda z^4}, \\ R_{3434} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^4}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $R_{ijkl} = g(R(\partial_i, \partial_j)\partial_k, \partial_l)$  and the Ricci tensor  $S$  of  $g$  is described by

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{3}{z^2} & -\frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{z^2} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{z^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{z^2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{3}{z^2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

with respect to  $\{\partial_i\}$ . Let  $X = X_i \partial_i$  be an arbitrary vector field where  $X_i = X_i(x, y, z, w)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  are smooth functions. The Lie derivative  $\mathcal{L}_X g$  is given by

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{11} &= -\frac{6}{\Lambda z^2} \partial_1 X_2, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{12} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^3} \{z\partial_1 X_1 + zH\partial_1 X_2 + z\partial_2 X_2 - 2X_3\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{13} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^2} \{\partial_3 X_2 + \partial_1 X_3\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{14} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^2} \{\partial_4 X_2 + \partial_1 X_4\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{22} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^3} \{2z\partial_2 X_1 + z\partial_2 H X_2 + 2zH\partial_2 X_2 - 2H X_3 \\ &\quad + z\partial_3 H X_3 + z\partial_4 H X_4\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{23} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^2} \{\partial_3 X_1 + H\partial_3 X_2 + \partial_2 X_3\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{24} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^2} \{\partial_4 X_1 + H\partial_4 X_2 + \partial_2 X_4\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{33} &= -\frac{6}{\Lambda z^3} \{z\partial_3 X_3 - X_3\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{34} &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda z^2} \{\partial_4 X_3 + \partial_3 X_4\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X g)_{44} &= -\frac{6}{\Lambda z^3} \{z\partial_4 X_4 - X_3\}, \end{aligned} \right. \quad (5)$$

where  $(\mathcal{L}_X g)_{ij} = \mathcal{L}_X g(\partial_i, \partial_j)$ ,  $i \leq j$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . The Lie derivative  $\mathcal{L}_X S$  is determined by

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{11} &= -\frac{6}{z^2} \partial_1 X_2, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{12} &= \frac{6}{z^3} X_3 - \frac{3}{z^2} \partial_1 X_1 - \frac{6H-2z(\partial_3 H)+z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H+\partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \partial_1 X_2 \\ &\quad - \frac{3}{z^2} \partial_2 X_2, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{13} &= -\frac{3}{z^2} \{\partial_1 X_3 + \partial_3 X_2\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{14} &= -\frac{3}{z^2} \{\partial_1 X_4 + \partial_4 X_2\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{22} &= -\sum_{i=2}^4 X_i \partial_i \left( \frac{6H-2z(\partial_3 H)+z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H+\partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{6}{z^2} \partial_2 X_1 - \frac{6H-2z(\partial_3 H)+z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H+\partial_{44}^2 H)}{z^2} \partial_2 X_2, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{23} &= -\frac{3}{z^2} \{\partial_2 X_3 + \partial_3 X_1\} - \frac{6H-2z(\partial_3 H)+z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H+\partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \partial_3 X_2, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{24} &= -\frac{3}{z^2} \{\partial_2 X_4 + \partial_4 X_1\} - \frac{6H-2z(\partial_3 H)+z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H+\partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \partial_4 X_2, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{33} &= \frac{6}{z^3} X_3 - \frac{6}{z^2} \partial_3 X_3, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{34} &= -\frac{3}{z^2} \{\partial_3 X_4 + \partial_4 X_3\}, \\ (\mathcal{L}_X S)_{44} &= \frac{6}{z^3} X_3 - \frac{6}{z^2} \partial_4 X_4, \end{aligned} \right. \tag{6}$$

where  $(\mathcal{L}_X S)_{ij} = \mathcal{L}_X S(\partial_i, \partial_j)$ ,  $i \leq j$ ,  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

### 3. The main results and their proofs

Applying (1), (4) and (5) in (2), we get

$$\partial_1 X_2 = 0, \tag{7}$$

$$z\partial_1 X_1 + zH\partial_1 X_2 + z\partial_2 X_2 - 2X_3 = (\alpha + \Lambda\beta)z, \tag{8}$$

$$\partial_3 X_2 + \partial_1 X_3 = 0, \tag{9}$$

$$\partial_4 X_2 + \partial_1 X_4 = 0, \tag{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2z\partial_2 X_1 + z\partial_2 H X_2 + 2zH\partial_2 X_2 - 2H X_3 + z\partial_3 H X_3 + z\partial_4 H X_4 \\ = \alpha z H - (6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)) \frac{z}{6} \Lambda\beta, \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\partial_3 X_1 + H\partial_3 X_2 + \partial_2 X_3 = 0, \tag{12}$$

$$\partial_4 X_1 + H\partial_4 X_2 + \partial_2 X_4 = 0, \tag{13}$$

$$2\{z\partial_3 X_3 - X_3\} = (\alpha + \Lambda\beta)z, \tag{14}$$

$$\partial_4 X_3 + \partial_3 X_4 = 0, \tag{15}$$

$$2\{z\partial_4 X_4 - X_3\} = (\alpha + \Lambda\beta)z. \tag{16}$$

Inserting (1), (4) and (6) in (3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1 X_2 &= 0, \\ -2X_3 + z\partial_1 X_1 + \frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{6} z\partial_1 X_2 \\ &\quad + z\partial_2 X_2 = \left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{\Lambda}\right)z, \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1 X_3 + \partial_3 X_2 &= 0, \\ \partial_1 X_4 + \partial_4 X_2 &= 0, \\ -\sum_{i=2}^4 X_i \partial_i \left( \frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{6}{z^2} \partial_2 X_1 - \frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{z^2} \partial_2 X_2 \\ &= -\frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \alpha - \frac{3H}{\Lambda z^2} \beta, \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

$$6\{\partial_2 X_3 + \partial_3 X_1\} + \{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)\} \partial_3 X_2 = 0, \quad (19)$$

$$6\{\partial_2 X_4 + \partial_4 X_1\} + \{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)\} \partial_4 X_2 = 0, \quad (20)$$

$$2X_3 - 2z\partial_3 X_3 = -\alpha z - \frac{1}{\Lambda} \beta z,$$

$$\partial_3 X_4 + \partial_4 X_3 = 0,$$

$$2X_3 - 2z\partial_4 X_4 = -\alpha z - \frac{1}{\Lambda} \beta z.$$

We state integrating the Equation (7), obtaining

$$X_2 = F_1(y, z, w), \quad (21)$$

for some smooth function  $F_1$ . Inserting (21) into the Equations (9), (10) and integrating, we respectively get

$$X_3 = -x\partial_3 F_1(y, z, w) + F_2(y, z, w), \quad (22)$$

$$X_4 = -x\partial_4 F_1(y, z, w) + F_3(y, z, w), \quad (23)$$

where  $F_2, F_3$  are smooth functions. Applying (22) and (23) in Equation (15) we have

$$2x\partial_{34}^2 F_1(y, z, w) - \partial_4 F_2(y, z, w) - \partial_3 F_3(y, z, w) = 0. \quad (24)$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary, the Equation (24) implies at once

$$\partial_{34}^2 F_1(y, z, w) = \partial_4 F_2(y, z, w) + \partial_3 F_3(y, z, w) = 0. \quad (25)$$

Integrating  $\partial_{34}^2 F_1(y, z, w) = 0$ , we infer

$$F_1(y, z, w) = G_1(y, z) + H_1(y, w), \quad (26)$$

for some smooth functions  $G_1$  and  $H_1$ . From Equations (14) and (16), we have

$$\partial_3 X_3 - \partial_4 X_4 = 0. \tag{27}$$

Applying (22), (23) and (26) in (27), we obtain

$$-x\partial_{33}^2 G_1(y, z) + \partial_3 F_2(y, z, w) + x\partial_{44}^2 H_1(y, w) - \partial_4 F_3(y, z, w) = 0,$$

since  $x$  is arbitrary, we conclude

$$\partial_{44}^2 H_1(y, w) = \partial_{33}^2 G_1(y, z) = F_4(y), \tag{28}$$

for some smooth function  $F_4$  and

$$\partial_3 F_2(y, z, w) = \partial_4 F_3(y, z, w). \tag{29}$$

Integrating of (28), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(y, z) &= \frac{z^2}{2} F_4(y) + zF_5(y) + G_2(y), \\ H_1(y, w) &= \frac{w^2}{2} F_4(y) + wF_7(y) + F_6(y), \end{aligned}$$

for some smooth functions  $F_5, F_6, F_7$  and  $G_2$ . Therefore, we have

$$F_1(y, z, w) = \frac{z^2}{2} F_4(y) + zF_5(y) + \frac{w^2}{2} F_4(y) + wF_7(y) + F_8(y), \tag{30}$$

where  $F_8 = G_2 + F_6$ . The Equation (14) reduces to

$$\partial_3 F_2(y, z, w) + \frac{x}{z} F_5(y) - \frac{1}{z} F_2(y, z, w) = \frac{\alpha + \Lambda\beta}{2}. \tag{31}$$

Substituting (7) into (8) and (17), we get

$$\begin{aligned} z\partial_1 X_1 + z\partial_2 X_2 - 2X_3 &= (\alpha + \Lambda\beta)z, \\ -2X_3 + z\partial_1 X_1 + z\partial_2 X_2 &= \left(\alpha + \frac{\beta}{\Lambda}\right)z, \end{aligned}$$

which imply that

$$(\Lambda + 1)\beta = 0.$$

Inserting (21), (22), (31) and (30) in (8), we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1 X_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}(z^2 + w^2)F_4'(y) - zF_5'(y) - wF_7'(y) \\ &\quad - F_8'(y) - 2xF_4(y) + 2\partial_3 F_2(y, z, w), \end{aligned}$$

which by integrating provides

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 = & -\frac{1}{2}(z^2 + w^2)xF_4'(y) - zxF_5'(y) - wxF_7'(y) \\ & - xF_8'(y) - x^2F_4(y) + 2x\partial_3F_2(y, z, w) + F_9(y, z, w), \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

for some smooth function  $F_9$ . Substituting (21), (23), (30) and (32) in (13), we find

$$\begin{aligned} & -wxF_4'(y) - xF_7'(y) + 2x\partial_{34}^2F_2(y, z, w) + \partial_4F_9(y, z, w) + wHF_4(y) \\ & + HF_7(y) - xwF_4'(y) - xF_7'(y) + \partial_2F_3(y, z, w) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & -2wF_4'(y) - 2F_7'(y) + 2\partial_{34}^2F_2(y, z, w) = 0, \\ & \partial_4F_9(y, z, w) + wHF_4(y) + HF_7(y) + \partial_2F_3(y, z, w) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which by integrating it implies that

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(y, z, w) &= \frac{w^2}{2}zF_4'(y) + wzF_7'(y) + F_{10}(y, z), \\ F_9(y, z, w) &= -\int (wHF_4(y) + HF_7(y) + \partial_2F_3(y, z, w)) dw + F_{11}(y, z), \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

for some smooth functions  $F_{10}$  and  $F_{11}$ . Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}(z^2 + w^2)xF_4'(y) - zxF_5'(y) - wxF_7'(y) \\ & \quad - xF_8'(y) - x^2F_4(y) + 2x\partial_3F_2(y, z, w) \\ & \quad - \int (wHF_4(y) + HF_7(y) + \partial_2F_3(y, z, w)) dw + F_{11}(y, z), \\ X_2 &= \frac{z^2 + w^2}{2}F_4(y) + zF_5(y) + wF_7(y) + F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= -x(zF_4(y) + F_5(y)) + \frac{w^2}{2}zF_4'(y) + wzF_7'(y) + F_{10}(y, z), \\ X_4 &= -x(wF_4(y) + F_5(y)) + F_3(y, z, w). \end{aligned}$$

From (12) and (19), we conclude that

$$(2(\partial_3H) - z(\partial_{33}^2H + \partial_{44}^2H)) \partial_3X_2 = 0. \quad (34)$$

Also, from (13) and (20), we infer

$$(2(\partial_3H) - z(\partial_{33}^2H + \partial_{44}^2H)) \partial_4X_2 = 0. \quad (35)$$

Applying (33) in (25), we deduce

$$\partial_3F_3(y, z, w) = -(wzF_4'(y) + zF_7'(y)).$$



Integrating of last equation yields

$$F_3(y, z, w) = - \left( \frac{1}{2} w z^2 F_4'(y) + \frac{1}{2} z^2 F_7'(y) \right) + F_{12}(y, w), \tag{36}$$

for some smooth function  $F_{12}$ . Substituting (33) and (36) in (29), we find

$$\partial_4 F_{12}(y, w) = \frac{1}{2} w^2 F_4'(y) + w F_7'(y) + \frac{1}{2} z^2 F_4'(y) + \partial_3 F_{10}(y, z).$$

Hence, we get

$$F_{12}(y, w) = \frac{1}{6} w^3 F_4'(y) + \frac{1}{2} w^2 F_7'(y) + w \partial_3 F_{10}(y, z) + \frac{1}{2} z^2 w F_4'(y) + F_{13}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{13}$ . Deriving with respect to  $z$ , we arrive at

$$\partial_{33}^2 F_{10}(y, z) + z w F_4'(y) = 0.$$

Since  $w$  is arbitrary we have  $F_4'(y) = 0$  and  $\partial_{33}^2 F_{10}(y, z) = 0$  which imply that  $F_4(y) = a$  for some constant  $a$  and  $F_{10}(y, z) = z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)$ , for some smooth functions  $F_{14}$  and  $F_{15}$ , respectively. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} F_3(y, z, w) &= \frac{w^2 - z^2}{2} F_7'(y) + w F_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ X_1 &= -z x F_5'(y) - x F_8'(y) - a x^2 + 2x F_{14}(y) + x w F_7'(y) \\ &\quad - \frac{w^3 - 3z^2 w}{6} F_7''(y) - \frac{1}{2} w^2 F_{14}'(y) \\ &\quad - w F_{13}'(y) - \int (a w H + H F_7(y)) dw + F_{11}(y, z), \tag{37} \\ X_2 &= a \frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + z F_5(y) + w F_7(y) + F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= -x(a z + F_5(y)) + w z F_7'(y) + z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= -x(a w + F_5(y)) + \frac{w^2 - z^2}{2} F_7'(y) + w F_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda \beta &= \frac{2x}{z} F_5(y) - \frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $X_1, X_2$ , and  $X_3$  in (12), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &-x F_5'(y) + z w F_7''(y) - \int (a w + F_7(y)) \partial_3 H dw + \partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) \\ &+ H(a z + F_5(y)) + z F_{14}'(y) + F_{15}'(y) = 0. \tag{38} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary we infer  $F_5'(y) = 0$ , thus,  $F_5(y) = b$  for some constant  $b$ .

### 3.1 Siklos metrics with $H = 0$

If  $H = 0$  then Equation (11) yields  $\partial_2 X_1 = 0$ . So, we get

$$F_{11}(y, z) = xF_8'(y) - 2xF_{14}(y) - xwF_7'(y) + \frac{w^3 + 3z^2w}{6}F_7''(y) + \frac{1}{2}w^2F_{14}'(y) + wF_{13}'(y) + G_3(z), \quad (39)$$

and

$$X_1 = -ax^2 + G_3(z),$$

for some smooth function  $G_3$ . Since  $x$  is arbitrary we have  $F_8'(y) - 2F_{14}(y) - wF_7'(y) = 0$  this implies that  $F_7'(y) = 0$  and  $F_8'(y) = 2F_{14}(y)$ . Therefore  $F_7(y) = c$  for some constant  $c$ . Also, Since  $w$  is arbitrary, from (39) we have  $F_{14}'(y) = F_{13}'(y) = 0$ . Then  $F_{13}(y) = a_{13}$ ,  $F_{14}(y) = a_{14}$ ,  $F_8(y) = 2a_{14}y + a_{16}$  for some constants  $a_{13}, a_{14}, a_{16}$ . Also, Equation (38) reduces to

$$G_3'(z) + F_{15}'(y) = 0.$$

Therefore  $G_3(z) = b_3z + b_4$ ,  $F_{15}(y) = -b_3y + b_5$  and  $X_1 = -ax^2 + b_3z + b_4$  for some constants  $b_3, b_4, b_5$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -ax^2 + b_3z + b_4, \\ X_2 &= a\frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + bz + cw + 2a_{14} + a_{16}, \\ X_3 &= -x(az + b) + za_{14} - b_3y + b_5, \\ X_4 &= -x(aw + b) + wa_{14} + a_{13}, \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= \frac{2x}{z}b - \frac{2}{z}(-b_3y + b_5). \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

**Theorem 3.1.** *Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by  $H = 0$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i\partial_i$  if and only if  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $X_i$  satisfy in (40).*

Now, we consider the vector fields as  $X = \nabla f$  for some smooth function  $f$  which are Ricci bi-conformal vector fields on homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = 0$ . On homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = 0$ , we have

$$\nabla f = -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}[(\partial_2 f)\partial_1 + (\partial_1 f)\partial_2 + (\partial_3 f)\partial_3 + (\partial_4 f)\partial_4]. \quad (41)$$

From (41) and (40), we have

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_1 f &= a\frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + bz + cw + 2a_{14} + a_{16}, \\ -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_2 f &= -ax^2 + b_3z + b_4, \\ -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_3 f &= -x(az + b) + za_{14} - b_3y + b_5, \\ -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_4 f &= -x(aw + b) + wa_{14} + a_{13}. \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

Deriving the first Equation (42) with respect to  $y$  and deriving the second Equation (42) with respect to  $x$  we infer  $a = 0$ . By similar method we conclude  $b = c = a_{14} = a_{13} = a_{16} = b_4 = 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1 f &= 0, & \partial_2 f &= -\frac{3b_3}{\Lambda z}, \\ \partial_3 f &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda}(-b_3 y + b_5)z^{-2}, & \partial_4 f &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.2.** *Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by  $H = 0$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = \frac{3}{\Lambda z}(-b_3 y + b_5) + k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

### 3.2 Siklos metrics with nonzero constant $H$

In the following we assume  $H \neq 0$  and  $H$  be a nonzero constant then (38) yields

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -z^2 w F_7''(y) - H\left(\frac{a}{2}z^2 + bz\right) - \frac{1}{2}z^2 F_{14}'(y) - z F_{15}'(y) + F_{16}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{16}$ . Thus, we can write (37) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -x F_8'(y) - ax^2 + 2x F_{14}(y) + x w F_7'(y) \\ &\quad - \frac{w^3 - 3z^2 w}{6} F_7''(y) - \frac{1}{2} w^2 F_{14}'(y) \\ &\quad - w F_{13}'(y) - H\left(\frac{1}{2}aw^2 + w F_7(y)\right) \\ &\quad - z^2 w F_7''(y) - H\left(\frac{a}{2}z^2 + bz\right) - \frac{1}{2}z^2 F_{14}'(y) - z F_{15}'(y) + F_{16}(y), \\ X_2 &= a \frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + bz + w F_7(y) + F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= -x(az + b) + wz F_7'(y) + z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= -x(aw + b) + \frac{w^2 - z^2}{2} F_7'(y) + w F_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= \frac{2bx}{z} - \frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Inserting  $\alpha + \Lambda\beta = \frac{2bx}{z} - \frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y)$  and  $H$  in (18), we obtain

$$HX_3 - z\partial_2 X_1 - zH\partial_2 X_2 + bHx - HF_{15}(y) = 0. \tag{43}$$

Applying  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$  in (43), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& -xaHz + HzF_7'(y) + HzF_{14}(y) + zxF_8''(y) \\
& -2xzF_{14}'(y) - xzwF_7''(y) + \frac{w^3 - 3z^2w}{6}zF_7'''(y) + \frac{1}{2}zw^2F_{14}''(y) \quad (44) \\
& + zwF_{13}''(y) + z^3wF_7'''(y) + \frac{1}{2}z^3F_{14}''(y) + z^2F_{15}''(y) - zF_{16}'(y) \\
& -zHF_8'(y) = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Equation (44) is a polynomial with respect to  $x$ . Since  $x$  is arbitrary, we infer

$$-Haz + zF_8''(y) - 2zF_{14}'(y) - zwF_7''(y) = 0.$$

Since  $w$  is arbitrary we deduce  $F_7''(y) = 0$  and  $-aH + F_8''(y) - 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ . Also, Equation (44) is a polynomial with respect to  $z$ . Since  $z$  is arbitrary we get  $F_{14}''(y) = F_{15}''(y) = 0$  and

$$HF_7'(y) + HF_{14}(y) + wF_{13}''(y) - F_{16}'(y) - HF_8'(y) = 0.$$

Thus,  $HF_7'(y) + F_{13}''(y) = 0$  and  $HF_{14}(y) - F_{16}'(y) - HF_8'(y) = 0$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
F_7 &= b_1y + b_2, & F_8 &= \frac{1}{2}b_3y^2 + b_4y + b_5, \\
F_{14} &= -\frac{a}{2}Hy + \frac{1}{2}b_3y + b_6, & F_{15} &= b_7y + b_8, \\
F_{13} &= -\frac{1}{2}b_1Hy^2 + b_9y + b_{10}, \\
F_{16} &= -\frac{a}{4}H^2y^2 - \frac{1}{4}b_3Hy^2 + (b_6 - b_4)Hy + b_{11},
\end{aligned}$$

for some constants  $b_1, \dots, b_{11}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= -x(b_3y + b_4) - ax^2 + 2x\left(-\frac{a}{2}Hy + \frac{1}{2}b_3y + b_6\right) + b_1xw - \frac{b_3 - aH}{4}w^2 \\
& -w(-2b_1Hy + b_9) - H\left(\frac{1}{2}aw^2 + w(b_1y + b_2)\right) - H\left(\frac{a}{2}z^2 + bz\right) \\
& -\frac{b_3 - aH}{4}z^2 - b_7z - \frac{a}{4}H^2y^2 - \frac{1}{4}b_3Hy^2 + (b_6 - b_4)Hy + b_{11}, \quad (45) \\
X_2 &= a\frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + bz + w(b_1y + b_2) + \frac{1}{2}b_3y^2 + b_4y + b_5, \\
X_3 &= -x(az + b) + b_1wz + z\left(-\frac{a}{2}Hy + \frac{1}{2}b_3y + b_6\right) + b_7y + b_8, \\
X_4 &= -x(aw + b) + b_1\frac{w^2 - z^2}{2} + w\left(-\frac{a}{2}Hy + \frac{1}{2}b_3y + b_6\right) - \frac{1}{2}b_1Hy^2 + b_9y + b_{10}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using  $\alpha + \Lambda\beta = \frac{2bx}{z} - \frac{2}{z}(b_7y + b_8)$  in (11), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha = & \quad bxz^{-1} - z^{-1}(b_7y + b_8) + \frac{1}{2zH} \left\{ -2b_3zx + 4zx\left(-\frac{a}{2}H + \frac{1}{2}b_3\right) + 4b_1Hzw \right. \\ & \quad - 2b_1Hzw - aH^2yz - b_3Hyz + 2(b_6 - b_4)Hz2b_1Hzw + 2b_3Hzy + 2b_4Hz, \\ & \quad \left. + 2Hx(az + b) - 2Hb_1wz - 2Hz\left(-\frac{a}{2}Hy + \frac{1}{2}b_3y + b_6\right) - 2Hb_7y - 2Hb_8 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by nonzero constant  $H$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i\partial_i$  if and only if  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $X_i$  satisfy in (45).*

Now, we consider the vector fields as  $X = \nabla f$  for some smooth function  $f$  which are Ricci bi-conformal vector fields on homogeneous Siklos spacetime with nonzero constant  $H$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}(-H\partial_1 f + \partial_2 f) &= X_1, \\ -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_2 f &= X_2, \\ -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_3 f &= X_3, \\ -\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_4 f &= X_4. \end{aligned} \tag{46}$$

Deriving the third Equation (46) with respect to  $w$  and deriving the fourth Equation (46) with respect to  $z$  we infer  $a = b = b_1 = b_3 = b_6 = b_9 = b_{10} = 0$ . By similar method we conclude  $b_2 = b_4 = b_5 = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_1 f &= 0, & \partial_2 f &= 0, \\ \partial_3 f &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda}b_8z^{-2}, & \partial_4 f &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.4.** *Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by nonzero constant  $H$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = b_8\frac{3}{\Lambda z} + k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

### 3.3 Siklos metrics of case I

We assume that  $H = A_{-2}(z, w)$ , that is  $H$  is a homogeneous function of degree  $-2$  of variable  $z, w$ . Similar [4], explicitly we consider

$$H = k_1z^{-2} + k_2z^{-1}w^{-1} + k_3w^{-2},$$

for some real constants  $k_1, k_2, k_3$ . We have

$$2(\partial_3 H) - z(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H) = -4k_2 z^{-2} w^{-1} - 10k_1 z^{-3} - 2k_2 w^{-3} - 6k_3 z w^{-4}.$$

Thus Equations (34) and (35) yield  $\partial_3 X_2 = \partial_4 X_2 = 0$ . Then  $a = b = F_7(y) = 0$  and  $X_2$  becomes  $X_2 = F_8(y)$ . Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -x F_8'(y) + 2x F_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2} w^2 F_{14}'(y) - w F_{13}'(y) + F_{11}(y, z), \\ X_2 &= F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= w F_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

From Equation (12), we obtain  $\partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) = -z F_{14}'(y) - F_{15}'(y)$ . Then

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2} z^2 F_{14}'(y) - z F_{15}'(y) + F_{17}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{17}$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} G &:= \frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} \\ &= 8k_1 z^{-4} + 5k_2 z^{-3} w^{-1} + 3k_3 z^{-2} w^{-2} + k_2 z^{-1} w^{-3} + 3k_3 w^{-4}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying  $\Lambda\beta = -\frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y) - \alpha$  in Equations (11) and (18), we find

$$2z\partial_2 X_1 + 2zH\partial_2 X_2 - 2HX_3 + z\partial_3 HX_3 + z\partial_4 HX_4 + \frac{2}{3} z^2 G F_{15}(y) = \alpha(zH + \frac{z^3}{3} G), \quad (47)$$

$$-X_3\partial_3 G - X_4\partial_4 G - \frac{6}{z^2} \partial_2 X_1 - 2G\partial_2 X_2 - 6Hz^{-3} F_{15}(y) = (3Hz^{-2} - G)\alpha. \quad (48)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & z^6 w^9 (G - 3Hz^{-2}) (2z\partial_2 X_1 + 2zH\partial_2 X_2 - 2HX_3 + z\partial_3 HX_3 + z\partial_4 HX_4 \\ & + \frac{2}{3} z^2 G F_{15}(y)) - z^6 w^9 (zH + \frac{z^3}{3} G) (X_3\partial_3 G + X_4\partial_4 G \\ & + \frac{6}{z^2} \partial_2 X_1 + 2G\partial_2 X_2 + 6Hz^{-3} F_{15}(y)) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

Differentiate it with respect to  $x$  we get  $-F_8''(y) + 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ , thus  $F_{14}(y) = \frac{1}{2} F_8'(y) + c$  for some constant  $c$ . Substituting  $G, H, X_1, X_2, X_3$  and  $X_4$  in (49) we

arrive at

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (5k_1z^3w^9 + 2k_2z^4w^8 + k_2z^6w^6 + 3k_3z^7w^5)\{-w^2zF''_{14}(y) - 2zwF''_{13}(y) \\
 & - z^3F''_{14}(y) - 2z^2F''_{15}(y) + 2zF'_{17}(y) + (2k_1z^{-1} + 2k_2w^{-1} + 2k_3zw^{-2})F'_8(y) \\
 & - 2(k_1z^{-2} + k_2z^{-1}w^{-1} + k_3w^{-2})(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & - (2k_1z^{-3} + k_2z^{-2}w^{-1})(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & - (k_2z^{-1}w^{-2} + 2k_3zw^{-3})(wF_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y)) \\
 & + \frac{2}{3}(8k_1z^{-2} + 5k_2z^{-1}w^{-1} + 3k_3w^{-2} + k_2zw^{-3} + 3k_3z^2w^{-4})F_{15}(y)\} \\
 & + (\frac{11}{3}k_1z^6w^9 + \frac{8}{3}k_2z^7w^8 + 2k_3z^8w^7 + \frac{1}{3}k_2z^9w^6 + k_3z^{10}w^5)\{(32k_1z^{-5} \\
 & + 15k_2z^{-4}w^{-1} + 6k_3z^{-3}w^{-2} + k_2z^{-2}w^{-3})(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & + (5k_2z^{-3}w^{-2} + 6k_3z^{-2}w^{-3} + 3k_2z^{-1}w^{-4} + 12k_3w^{-5})(wF_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y)) \\
 & + 3z^{-2}w^2F''_{14}(y) + 6z^{-2}wF'_{13}(y) + 6F''_{14}(y) + 6z^{-1}F''_{15}(y) - 6z^{-2}F'_{17}(y) \\
 & + 2(8k_1z^{-4} + 5k_2z^{-3}w^{-1} + 3k_3z^{-2}w^{-2} + k_2z^{-1}w^{-3} + 3k_3w^{-4})F'_8(y) \\
 & + 6(k_1z^{-2} + k_2z^{-1}w^{-1} + k_3w^{-2})F_{15}(y)\} = 0.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{50}$$

Last equation is a polynomial with respect to  $z$  and  $w$ . Since  $z$  and  $w$  are arbitrary we conclude that all coefficients of  $z^r w^s$  for  $0 \leq r, s \leq 11$  are equal to zero. The coefficient of  $z^4 w^{11}$  in (50) implies that

$$k_1 F''_{14}(y) = 0. \tag{51}$$

The coefficients of  $z^5 w^{10}$  and  $z^4 w^{10}$  in (50) imply that

$$k_2 F''_{14}(y) = 0, \quad k_1(-10F''_{13}(y) + 22F'_{13}(y)) = 0. \tag{52}$$

The coefficient of  $z$  in (50) leads to

$$k_3 F_{13}(y) = 0. \tag{53}$$

The coefficients of  $z^9 w^1$  and  $z^{10} w^1$  in (50) yield

$$k_3 F_{15}(y) = 0, \quad k_3(2F_{14} + F'_8(y)) = 0. \tag{54}$$

The coefficient of  $z^6 w^9$  in (50) leads to  $k_3 F''_{14}(y) = 0$ . Since  $H \neq 0$ , using (51), (52) and (53), we deduce  $F''_{14}(y) = 0$ . The coefficients of  $w^9$ ,  $zw^9$ ,  $z^2 w^9$  and  $z^4 w^9$  in (50) imply that

$$k_1 F_{15}(y) = 0, \quad k_1 F_{14}(y) = 0, \quad k_1 F'_8(y) = 0, \quad k_1 F'_{17}(y) = 0, \tag{55}$$

respectively. The coefficients of  $z^6 w^8$ ,  $z^5 w^8$ ,  $z^8 w^2$  and  $z^7 w^3$  in (50) yield

$$k_2 F''_{15}(y) = 0, \quad k_2 F'_{16}(y) = 0, \quad k_2 F_{13}(y) = 0, \quad k_2 F_{15}(y) = 0, \tag{56}$$

respectively. Since  $H \neq 0$ , using (54), (55) and (56) we deduce  $F_{15}(y) = 0$ . The coefficient of  $z^8w^3$  in (50) leads to

$$24k_3^2(F_{14}(y) + F_8'(y)) + \frac{2}{3}k_2^2(2F_{14}(y) + F_8'(y)) = 0. \quad (57)$$

The coefficients of  $z^6w^7$ ,  $z^3w^7$  and  $z^4w^7$  in (50) imply that

$$k_3F_{17}'(y) = 0, \quad k_2F_{14}(y) = 0, \quad k_2F_8'(y) = 0, \quad (58)$$

respectively. Applying (58) in (57) we obtain  $k_3(F_{14}(y) + F_8'(y)) = 0$ . Inserting it in (54) we conclude  $k_3F_{14}(y) = k_3F_8'(y) = 0$ . Since  $H \neq 0$ , using (55) and (58) we get  $F_{14}(y) = F_8'(y) = 0$ , thus  $F_8(y) = a_1$  for some constant  $a_1$ . Also, using (55), (56), and (58) we get  $F_{17}'(y) = 0$ , then  $F_{17} = a_2$  for some constant  $a_2$ . If  $k_1 = k_2 = 0$  then  $k_3 \neq 0$  and (53) yields  $F_{13}(y) = 0$ . Thus from (47) and (48) we have  $\alpha = 0$ . Therefore for case  $k_1 = k_2 = 0$  we have,

$$X_1 = a_2, \quad X_2 = a_1, \quad X_3 = 0, \quad X_4 = 0, \quad \alpha = \beta = 0.$$

If  $k_1 = 0$  and  $k_2 \neq 0$  then (56) yields  $F_{13}(y) = 0$ . Thus from (47) and (48) we have  $\alpha = 0$ . Therefore for case  $k_1 = 0$  and  $k_2 \neq 0$ , we have

$$X_1 = a_2, \quad X_2 = a_1, \quad X_3 = 0, \quad X_4 = 0, \quad \alpha = \beta = 0.$$

If  $k_1 \neq 0$  and  $k_2 \neq 0$  or  $k_3 \neq 0$  then

$$X_1 = a_2, \quad X_2 = a_1, \quad X_3 = 0, \quad X_4 = 0, \quad \alpha = \beta = 0.$$

If  $k_1 \neq 0$  and  $k_2 = k_3 = 0$  then from (52) we have  $F_{13}(y) = \frac{10}{22}a_3e^{\frac{22}{10}y} + a_4$ , for some constants  $a_3$  and  $a_4$ . Thus from (47) and (48) we have  $\alpha = a_3 = 0$ . Therefore for case  $k_1 \neq 0$  and  $k_2 = k_3 = 0$ , we have

$$X_1 = a_2, \quad X_2 = a_1, \quad X_3 = 0, \quad X_4 = a_4, \quad \alpha = \beta = 0.$$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = k_1z^{-2} + k_2z^{-1}w^{-1} + k_3w^{-2}$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i\partial_i$  if and only if  $\alpha = \beta = X_3 = 0$ ,  $X_1 = a_2$ ,  $X_2 = a_1$  and  $X_4 = 0$  for  $k_1 \neq 0$  and  $X_4 = a_4$  for  $k_1 = 0$ .*

Suppose that there exists some smooth function  $f = f(x, y, z, w)$  such that  $X = \nabla f$ . By definition of gradient of  $f$  that is  $\nabla f = g^{ij}\partial_j f\partial_i$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}\Lambda z^2 H \partial_1 f - \frac{1}{3}\Lambda z^2 \partial_2 f = a_2, \\ -\frac{1}{3}\Lambda z^2 \partial_1 f = a_1, \\ -\frac{1}{3}\Lambda z^2 \partial_3 f = 0, \\ -\frac{1}{3}\Lambda z^2 \partial_4 f = a_4. \end{cases}$$

By solving the last system we have  $a_1 = a_2 = a_4 = 0$  and  $f = k$  for some constant  $k$ . Therefore we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.6.** *Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by  $H = k_1z^{-2} + k_2z^{-1}w^{-1} + k_3w^{-2}$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = k$  where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .*



### 3.4 Siklos metrics with $H = A(z)$

Now, assume that  $H = A(z)$ . We have

$$2(\partial_3 H) - z(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H) = 2A'(z) - zA''(z).$$

If  $2A'(z) - zA''(z) = 0$  then  $H = \frac{1}{3}a_7z^3 + a_8$  for some constants  $a_7, a_8$ . Assume that  $a_7 \neq 0$ . In this case we have

$$\frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} = a_7z + 3a_8z^{-2}.$$

From Equation (12), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & -a_7z^2\left(\frac{1}{2}aw^2 + wF_7(y)\right) + \partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) \\ & + \left(\frac{1}{3}a_7z^3 + a_8\right)(az + b) + zF'_{14}(y) + F'_{15}(y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w$  is arbitrary we deduce  $a = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} F_7(y) &= 0, \\ \partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) + b\left(\frac{1}{3}a_7z^3 + a_8\right) + zF'_{14}(y) + F'_{15}(y) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating the last equation, we get

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{12}ba_7z^4 - ba_8z - \frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{18}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{18}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -xF'_8(y) + 2xF_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F'_{14}(y) - wF'_{13}(y) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{12}ba_7z^4 - ba_8z - \frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{18}(y), \\ X_2 &= bz + F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= -bx + zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= -bx + wF_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= \frac{2x}{z}b - \frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$  and  $H$  in (18) and using last equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & -(a_7z^3 - 6a_8)(-bx + zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) - (2a_7z^4 + 6a_8z)F'_8(y) \\ & - 6z(-xF''_8(y) + 2xF'_{14}(y)) \\ & - \left(\frac{1}{2}w^2F''_{14}(y) - wF''_{13}(y) - \frac{1}{2}z^2F''_{14}(y) - zF''_{15}(y) + F'_{18}(y)\right) \\ & = -(a_7z^3 + 3a_8)(2bx - 2F_{15}(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary, we have

$$b(a_7z^3 - 6a_8) - 6z(-F_8''(y) + 2F_{14}'(y)) + 2b(a_7z^3 + 3a_8) = 0.$$

This implies that  $b = 0$  and  $-F_8''(y) + 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ . Also, the above equation is a polynomial with respect to  $z, w$ . The coefficient of  $z^4$  implies that  $F_{14}(y) + 2F_8'(y) = 0$ . Thus  $F_{14}'(y) = F_8''(y) = 0$ . Then  $F_{14}(y) = c_1$  and  $F_8(y) = -\frac{1}{2}c_1y + c_2$  for some constants  $c_1, c_2$ . The coefficient of  $z^3$  yields  $F_{15}(y) = 0$ . The coefficient of  $z$  leads

$$a_8F_{14}(y) + wF_{13}''(y) - F_{18}'(y) - a_8F_8'(y) = 0.$$

Since  $w$  is arbitrary, we infer  $F_{13}''(y) = 0$  and  $a_8F_{14}(y) - F_{18}'(y) - a_8F_8'(y) = 0$ . Hence,  $F_{13}(y) = c_3y + c_4$  and  $F_{18}(y) = \frac{3}{2}c_1a_8y + c_5$  for some constants  $c_3, c_4$  and  $c_5$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \frac{5}{2}c_1x - c_3w + \frac{3}{2}c_1a_8y + c_5, \\ X_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}c_1y + c_2, \\ X_3 &= c_1z, \\ X_4 &= c_1w + c_3y + c_4, \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= 0. \end{aligned} \tag{59}$$

From Equation (11) we have  $\alpha = \beta = 0$ .

Now, we consider  $2A'(z) - zA''(z) \neq 0$ . Thus Equations (34) and (35) yield  $\partial_3X_2 = \partial_4X_2 = 0$ . Then  $a = b = F_7(y) = 0$  and  $X_2$  becomes  $X_2 = F_8(y)$ . Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -xF_8'(y) + 2xF_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F_{14}'(y) - wF_{13}'(y) + F_{11}(y, z), \\ X_2 &= F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= wF_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

From (12) we have  $\partial_3F_{11}(y, z) + zF_{14}'(y) + F_{15}'(y) = 0$  then

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}z^2F_{14}'(y) - zF_{15}'(y) + F_{19}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{19}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -xF_8'(y) + 2xF_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F_{14}'(y) - wF_{13}'(y) - \frac{1}{2}z^2F_{14}'(y) \\ &\quad - zF_{15}'(y) + F_{19}(y), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{2z\partial_2 X_1 + 2zH\partial_2 X_2 - 2HX_3 + zH'X_3 - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - (zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{X_3G' + 6z^{-2}\partial_2 X_1 + G\partial_2 X_2 + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\} = 0.$$

Then

$$(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{-2xzF_8''(y) + 4xzF_{14}'(y) - zw^2F_{14}''(y) - 2zwF_{13}''(y) - z^3F_{14}''(y) - 2z^2F_{15}''(y) + 2zF_{19}'(y) + 2zHF_8'(y) - 2H(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) + zH'(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - (zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y))G' - 6xz^{-2}F_8''(y) + 12xz^{-2}F_{14}'(y) - 3z^{-2}w^2F_{14}''(y) - 6z^{-2}wF_{13}''(y) - 3F_{14}''(y) - 6z^{-1}F_{15}''(y) + 6z^{-2}F_{19}'(y) + GF_8'(y) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\} = 0.$$

The coefficient of  $w^2$  implies that  $F_{14}''(y) = 0$  and the coefficient of  $w$  leads to  $F_{13}''(y) = 0$ . The coefficient of  $x$  yields  $F_8''(y) - 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ . Also, we have

$$F_{19}'(y) = \frac{z}{12H}(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{-2z^2F_{15}''(y) + 2zHF_8'(y) - 2H(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) + zH'(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - \frac{z}{12H}(zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y))G' - 6z^{-1}F_{15}''(y) + GF_8'(y) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} F_{14}(y) &= c_6y + c_7, \\ F_{13}(y) &= c_8y + c_9, \\ F_8(y) &= c_6y^2 + c_{10}y + c_{11}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$F_{19}'(y) = \frac{z}{12H}(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{-2z^2F_{15}''(y) + 2zH(c_6y + c_{10}) - 2H(c_7z + F_{15}(y)) + zH'(z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y)) - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - \frac{z}{12H}(zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{(z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y))G' - 6z^{-1}F_{15}''(y) + G(2c_6y + c_{10}) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\},$$

for some constants  $c_7, \dots, c_{11}$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= (2c_7 - c_{10})x - \frac{1}{2}c_6w^2 - c_8w - \frac{1}{2}c_6z^2 - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{19}(y), \\
X_2 &= c_6y^2 + c_{10}y + c_{11}, \\
X_3 &= z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y), \\
X_4 &= w(c_6y + c_7) + c_8y + c_9, \\
\alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y),
\end{aligned} \tag{60}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha &= -(-G + 3z^{-2}H)^{-1}\{(z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y))G' \\
&\quad - 6z^{-1}F'_{15}(y) + 6z^{-2}F'_{19}(y) + G(2c_6y + c_{10}) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = A(z)$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i\partial_i$  if and only if*

- i) when  $2A'(z) - zA''(z) = 0$  then  $X_i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  satisfy in (59).
- ii) When  $2A'(z) - zA''(z) \neq 0$  then  $X_i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  satisfy in (60).

Suppose that  $X = \nabla f$  for some smooth function  $f$  which are Ricci bi-conformal vector fields on homogeneous Siklos spacetime with nonzero constant  $H$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
-\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}(-H\partial_1 f + \partial_2 f) &= X_1, \\
-\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_2 f &= X_2, \\
-\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_3 f &= X_3, \\
-\frac{\Lambda z^2}{3}\partial_4 f &= X_4.
\end{aligned} \tag{61}$$

Deriving the third Equation (61) with respect to  $w$  and deriving the fourth Equation (42) with respect to  $z$  we infer  $a = b = b_1 = b_3 = b_6 = b_9 = b_{10} = 0$ . By similar method we conclude  $b_2 = b_4 = b_5 = 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_1 f &= 0, & \partial_2 f &= 0, \\
\partial_3 f &= -\frac{3}{\Lambda}b_8z^{-2}, & \partial_4 f &= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.8.** *Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by nonzero constant  $H$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = b_8\frac{3}{\Lambda z} + k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

### 3.5 Siklos metric with $H = A(y)z^2$

Now, we assume that  $H = A(y)z^2$ , in this case we have

$$\frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} = \frac{6A(y)z^2 - 4z^2 A(y) + 2z^2 A(y)}{2z^2} = 2A(y),$$

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -zx F'_5(y) - x F'_8(y) - ax^2 + 2x F_{14}(y) + xw F'_7(y) \\ &\quad - \frac{w^3 - 3z^2 w}{6} F''_7(y) - \frac{1}{2} w^2 F'_{14}(y) \\ &\quad - w F'_{13}(y) - \int (awH + HF_7(y)) dw + F_{11}(y, z), \\ X_2 &= a \frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + z F_5(y) + w F_7(y) + F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= -x(az + F_5(y)) + wz F'_7(y) + z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= -x(aw + F_5(y)) + \frac{w^2 - z^2}{2} F'_7(y) + w F_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= \frac{2x}{z} F_5(y) - \frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$2(\partial_3 H) - z(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H) = 2zA(y).$$

Thus Equations (34) and (35) yield  $\partial_3 X_2 = \partial_4 X_2 = 0$ . Then  $a = b = F_7(y) = 0$  and  $X_2$  becomes  $X_2 = F_8(y)$ . From Equation (12), we obtain

$$\partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) = -z F'_{14}(y) - F'_{15}(y).$$

Then

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2} z^2 F'_{14}(y) - z F'_{15}(y) + F_{17}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{17}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -x F'_8(y) + 2x F_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2} w^2 F'_{14}(y) - w F'_{13}(y) - \frac{1}{2} z^2 F'_{14}(y) \\ &\quad - z F'_{15}(y) + F_{17}(y), \\ X_2 &= F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= w F_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Using (12) and (19), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2zx F_8''(y) + 4zx F_{14}'(y) - zw^2 F_{14}''(y) - 2zw F_{13}''(y) - z^3 F_{14}''(y) \\
& -2z^2 F_{15}''(y) + 2z F_{17}'(y) + z^3 F_8(y) A'(y) + 2z^3 A(y) F_8'(y) \\
& -\frac{4}{3} z^2 A(y) F_{15}(y) - \frac{5}{3} z^3 \{-2F_8(y) A'(y) + 6xz^{-2} F_8''(y) - 12xz^{-2} F_{14}'(y) \\
& + 3z^{-2} w^2 F_{14}''(y) + 6z^{-2} w F_{13}''(y) + 3F_{14}''(y) + 6z^{-1} F_{15}''(y) - 6z^{-2} F_{17}'(y) \\
& -4A(y) F_8'(y) - 6z^{-1} A(y) F_{15}(y)\} = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary, we conclude

$$-F_8''(y) + 2F_{14}'(y) = 0,$$

and the coefficient of  $w^2$  implies that

$$F_{14}''(y) = 0.$$

Hence,  $F_{14}(y) = d_1 y + d_2$  and  $F_8(y) = d_1 y^2 + d_3 y + d_4$ . Also the coefficient of  $w$  yields  $F_{13}''(y) = 0$  then  $F_{13}(y) = d_5 y + d_6$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2z^2 F_{15}''(y) + 2z F_{17}'(y) + z^3 F_8(y) A'(y) + 2z^3 A(y) F_8'(y) - \frac{4}{3} z^2 A(y) F_{15}(y) \\
& -\frac{5}{3} z^3 \{-2F_8(y) A'(y) + 6z^{-1} F_{15}''(y) - 6z^{-2} F_{17}'(y) \\
& -4A(y) F_8'(y) - 6z^{-1} A(y) F_{15}(y)\} = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

The above equation is a polynomial with respect to  $z$ . Since  $z$  is arbitrary we get  $F_8(y) A'(y) + 2A(y) F_8'(y) = 0$ ,  $F_{17}'(y) = 0$ , and  $-12F_{15}''(y) + 13A(y) F_{15}(y) = 0$ . Thus  $F_{17}(y) = d_7$  and  $A(y) = \frac{d_8}{(d_1 y^2 + d_3 y + d_4)^2}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= -x(2d_1 y + d_3) + 2x(d_1 y + d_2) - \frac{1}{2} d_1 w^2 - d_5 w - \frac{1}{2} d_1 z^2 \\
&\quad - z F_{15}'(y) + d_7, \\
X_2 &= d_1 y^2 + d_3 y + d_4, \\
X_3 &= z(d_1 y + d_2) + F_{15}(y), \\
X_4 &= w(d_1 y + d_2) + d_5 y + d_6, \\
\Lambda\beta &= -\frac{5}{2} z^{-1} F_{15}(y), \\
\alpha &= \frac{1}{2} z^{-1} F_{15}(y).
\end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = A(y)z^2$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i \partial_i$  if and only if  $\alpha, \beta, X_i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  satisfy in (62).*

Now, we consider the vector fields as  $X = \nabla f$  for some smooth function  $f$  which are Ricci bi-conformal vector fields on homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = A(y)z^2$ . We have  $d_i = 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, 7$ . Therefore we have the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.10.** *Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by  $H = A(y)z^2$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = F_{15}(y)\frac{3}{\Lambda z} + k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

### 3.6 Siklos metric with $H = y^{2k-2}A(y^k z)$

Now we consider  $H = y^{2k-2}A(u)$  where  $u = y^k z$ . We have

$$2(\partial_3 H) - z(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H) = y^{3k-2}(2A'(y^k z) - zy^k A''(y^k z)).$$

If  $2A'(y^k z) - zy^k A''(y^k z) = 0$  then  $H = k_1 y^{5k-2} z^3 + k_2 y^{2k-2}$  for some constants  $k_1, k_2$ . In this case, we have

$$\frac{6H - 2z(\partial_3 H) + z^2(\partial_{33}^2 H + \partial_{44}^2 H)}{2z^2} = 3k_1 y^{5k-2} z + 3k_2 y^{2k-2} z^{-2}.$$

From Equation (38), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & zwF_7''(y) - 3k_1 y^{5k-2} x^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}aw^2 + wF_7(y)\right) + \partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) \\ & + (k_1 y^{5k-2} z^3 + k_2 y^{2k-2})(az + b) + zF_{14}'(y) + F_{15}'(y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w$  is arbitrary we deduce  $ak_1 = 0, F_7''(y) = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & k_1 F_7'(y) = 0, \\ & \partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) + ak_2 y^{2k-2} z + b(k_1 y^{5k-2} z^3 + k_2 y^{2k-2}) + zF_{14}'(y) + F_{15}'(y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating the last equation, we arrive at

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}ak_2 y^{2k-2} z^2 - b\left(\frac{1}{4}k_1 y^{5k-2} z^4 + k_2 y^{2k-2} z\right) - \frac{1}{2}z^2 F_{14}'(y) - F_{15}'(y)z + F_{20}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{20}$ . Therefore,  $F_7(y) = k_3y + k_4$  for some constants  $k_3, k_4$  and

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -xF'_8(y) + 2xF_{14}(y) + k_3xw - \frac{1}{2}w^2F'_{14}(y) - wF'_{13}(y) \\ &\quad - k_2y^{2k-2}w(k_3y + k_4) - \frac{1}{2}ak_2y^{2k-2}z^2 - b\left(\frac{1}{4}k_1y^{5k-2}z^4 + k_2y^{2k-2}z\right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) - F'_{15}(y)z + F_{20}(y), \\ X_2 &= a\frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + bz + w(k_3y + k_4) + F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= -x(az + b) + k_3wz + zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= -x(aw + b) + k_3\frac{w^2 - z^2}{2} + wF_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= \frac{2bx}{z} - \frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4$  and  $H$  in (18) and using last equation, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &-3z^3\left(a\frac{z^2 + w^2}{2} + bz + w(k_3y + k_4) + F_8(y)\right)((5k - 2)k_1y^{5k-1}z \\ &+ (2k - 2)k_2y^{2k-1}z^{-2}) \\ &-3z^3(-x(az + b) + k_3wz + zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y))(k_1y^{5k-2} - 2k_2y^{2k-2}z^{-3}) \\ &-6z\{-xF''_8(y) + 2xF'_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F''_{14}(y) - wF''_{13}(y) - k_2(2k - 2)y^{2k-3}w(k_3y + k_4) \\ &-k_2k_3y^{2k-2}w - ak_2(k - 1)y^{2k-3}z^2 - b\left(\frac{1}{4}k_1(5k - 2)y^{5k-3}z^4 + k_2(2k - 2)y^{2k-3}z\right) \\ &- \frac{1}{2}z^2F''_{14}(y) - F''_{15}(y)z + F'_{20}(y)\} \\ &-6(k_1y^{5k-2}z^3 + k_2y^{2k-2})(k_3w + F'_8(y)) \\ &= -6(k_1y^{5k-2}z^3 + k_2y^{2k-2})(bx - F_{15}(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary we have

$$3(az+b)(k_1y^{5k-2}z^3 - 2k_2y^{2k-2}) - 6z(-F''_8(y) + 2F'_{14}(y)) = -6b(k_1y^{5k-2}z^3 + k_2y^{2k-2}).$$

This implies that  $bk_1 = 0$  and  $-F''_8(y) + 2F'_{14}(y) = -ak_2y^{2k-2}$ . Also, the above equation is a polynomial with respect to  $z, w$ . The coefficient of  $w^2$  implies that  $F''_{14}(y) = a(k - 1)k_2y^{2k-1}$ . The coefficient of  $z^4$  leads to

$$(w(k_3y + k_4) + F_8(y))(5k - 2)k_1y^{5k-1} + (k_3w + F_{14}(y))k_1y^{5k-2} = 0.$$

Then  $k_1k_3 = (5k - 2)k_1yF_8(y) + k_1F_{14}(y) = (5k - 2)k_1k_4 = 0$ . The coefficient of  $z^0$  implies that  $k_2k_3 = k_2F'_8(y) = 0$ . Since  $k_1k_3 = k_2k_3 = 0$  and  $H \neq 0$  we infer  $k_3 =$



0. The coefficient of  $z^2$  implies that  $F''_{15}(y) = b(k-1)k_2y^{2k-1} + 2bk_2(k-1)y^{2k-3}$ . The coefficient of  $z$  yields

$$(k_4w + F_8(y))(k-1)k_2y^{2k-1} + k_2F_{14}(y)y^{2k-2} - wF''_{13}(y) - k_2(2k-2)wy^{2k-3} + F'_{20}(y) = 0.$$

Then

$$F''_{13}(y) = k_4(k-1)y^{2k-1} - k_2(2k-2)y^{2k-3},$$

and

$$F_8(y)(k-1)k_2y^{2k-1} + k_2F_{14}(y)y^{2k-2} + F'_{20}(y) = 0.$$

The coefficient of  $z^3$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & -a(k-1)k_2y^{2k-1} - k_1F_{15}(y)y^{5k-1} + 2a(k-1)k_2y^{2k-3} \\ & + F''_{14}(y) - 2k_1y^{5k-2}F'_8(y) - 2k_1y^{5k-2}F_{15}(y) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

If  $k_1 = 0$  then  $k_2 \neq 0$ . Equation  $k_2F'_8(y) = 0$  implies that  $F'_8(y) = 0$  then  $F_8(y) = k_5$ . The equation  $-F''_8(y) + 2F'_{14}(y) = -ak_2y^{2k-2}$  yields  $F''_{14}(y) = -a(k-1)k_2y^{2k-3}$ . Then it together with  $F'_{14}(y) = a(k-1)k_2y^{2k-1}$  leads to  $a(k-1) = 0$  and  $F'_{14}(y) = 0$ . Since  $H$  is nonconstant then  $k \neq 1$  and  $a = 0$ . Hence,  $F_{14} = k_6$ . In this case, we have

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= 2k_6x - wF'_{13}(y) - k_2y^{2k-2}k_4w - bk_2y^{2k-2}z - F'_{15}(y)z + F_{20}(y), \\ X_2 &= bz + k_4w + k_5, \\ X_3 &= -bx + k_6z + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= -bx + k_6w + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= \frac{2bx}{z} - \frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y), \end{aligned} \tag{63}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F''_{15}(y) &= b(k-1)k_2(y^{2k-1} + 2y^{2k-3}), \\ F''_{13}(y) &= (k-1)(k_4y^{2k-1} - 2k_2y^{2k-3}), \\ F'_{20}(y) &= -k_2(k_5(k-1)y^{2k-1} + k_6y^{2k-2}). \end{aligned}$$

If  $k_1 \neq 0$  then  $a = b = k_4 = 0$ . If  $k = \frac{2}{5}$  then  $F_{14}(y) = 0$  and  $F_8(y) = k_{21}y + k_{22}$  where  $k_2k_{21} = 0$ . Then,  $F_{15} = k_{23}y + k_{24}$ ,  $F_{13}(y) = 5k_2y^{-\frac{1}{5}} + k_{25}y + k_{26}$ ,  $F_{20}(y) =$

$\frac{3}{4}k_2k_{22}y^{\frac{4}{5}}$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= -k_{21}x - w(-k_2y^{-\frac{6}{5}} + k_{25}) - k_{23}z + \frac{3}{4}k_2k_{22}y^{\frac{4}{5}}, \\
X_2 &= k_{21}y + k_{22}, \\
X_3 &= k_{23}y + k_{24}, \\
X_4 &= 5k_2y^{-\frac{1}{5}} + k_{25}y + k_{26}, \\
\alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z}(k_{23}y + k_{24}), \\
\alpha &= \frac{1}{2}(k_1z^4 + k_2y^{-\frac{6}{5}}z)^{-1} \left\{ -\frac{12}{5}zwk_2y^{-\frac{11}{5}} + \frac{6}{5}zk_2k_{22}y^{-\frac{1}{5}} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{6}{5}k_2k_{22}zy^{-\frac{11}{5}} + 2k_1k_{21}z^4 + (k_1z^3 - 2k_2y^{-\frac{6}{5}})(k_{23}y + k_{24}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - 2z^{-1}(k_{23}y + k_{24}) \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{64}$$

Now, we assume that  $k \neq \frac{2}{5}$ . Therefore  $F_{14}(y) = F_8(y) = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= -wF'_{13}(y) - F'_{15}(y)z + k_{25}, \\
X_2 &= 0, \\
X_3 &= F_{15}(y), \\
X_4 &= F_{13}(y), \\
\alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y), \\
\alpha &= \frac{1}{2z(k_1y^{5k-2}z^3 + k_2y^{2k-2})} \left\{ -2zwF''_{13}(y) - 2z^2F''_{15}(y) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (5k-2)k_1y^{5k-3}z^4 + (2k-2)k_2y^{2k-3}z \right. \\
&\quad \left. - 4(k_1y^{5k-2}z^3 + k_2y^{2k-2})F_{15}(y) + 3k_1y^{5k-2}z^3F_{15}(y) \right\},
\end{aligned} \tag{65}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
F''_{15}(y) &= b(k-1)k_2(y^{2k-1} + 2y^{2k-3}), \\
F''_{13}(y) &= -2(k-1)k_2y^{2k-3}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we consider  $2A'(y^kz) - zy^kA''(y^kz) \neq 0$ . Thus Equations (34) and (35) yield  $\partial_3X_2 = \partial_4X_2 = 0$ . Then  $a = b = F_7(y) = 0$  and  $X_2$  becomes  $X_2 = F_8(y)$ . From (12), we have  $\partial_3F_{11}(y, z) + zF'_{14}(y) + F'_{15}(y) = 0$ , then

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{21}(y),$$

for some smooth function  $F_{21}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= -xF'_8(y) + 2xF_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F'_{14}(y) - wF'_{13}(y) - \frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) \\
&\quad - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{21}(y),
\end{aligned}$$

and from (12) and (19), we have

$$(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{2z\partial_2 X_1 + z\partial_2 HX_2 + 2zH\partial_2 X_2 - 2HX_3 + z\partial_3 HX_3 - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - (zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{X_2\partial_2 G + X_3\partial_3 G + 6z^{-2}\partial_2 X_1 + G\partial_2 X_2 + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\} = 0.$$

Hence,

$$(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{-2xzF_8''(y) + 4xzF_{14}'(y) - zw^2F_{14}''(y) - 2zwF_{13}''(y) - z^3F_{14}''(y) - 2z^2F_{15}''(y) + 2zF_{21}'(y) + (2k - 2)y^{2k-3}zA(y^kz)F_8(y) + ky^{3k-3}zA'(y^kz)F_8(y) + 2zy^{2k-2}A(y^kz)F_8'(y) - 2y^{2k-2}A(y^kz)(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) + zy^{3k-2}A'(y^kz)(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - (zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{F_8(y)\partial_2 G + (zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y))\partial_3 G - 6xz^{-2}F_8''(y) + 12xz^{-2}F_{14}'(y) - 3z^{-2}w^2F_{14}''(y) - 6z^{-2}wF_{13}''(y) - 3F_{14}''(y) - 6z^{-1}F_{15}''(y) + 6z^{-2}F_{19}'(y) + GF_8'(y) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\} = 0.$$

In the above equation the coefficient of  $w^2$  implies that  $F_{14}''(y) = 0$  and the coefficient of  $w$  yields  $F_{13}''(y) = 0$ . The coefficient of  $x$  leads to  $F_8''(y) - 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ . Also, we have

$$F_{21}'(y) = \frac{z}{12H}(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{-2z^2F_{15}''(y) + 2zHF_8'(y) - 2H(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) + zH'(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - \frac{z}{12H}(zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{(zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y))G' - 6z^{-1}F_{15}''(y) + GF_8'(y) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\}.$$

Then

$$F_{14}(y) = c_6y + c_7, \\ F_{13}(y) = c_8y + c_9, \\ F_8(y) = c_6y^2 + c_{10}y + c_{11},$$

and

$$F_{19}'(y) = \frac{z}{12H}(G - 3Hz^{-2})\{-2z^2F_{15}''(y) + 2zH(c_6y + c_{10}) - 2H(c_7z + F_{15}(y)) + zH'(z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y)) - \frac{2}{3}z^2GF_{15}(y)\} - \frac{z}{12H}(zH + \frac{1}{3}z^3G)\{(z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y))G' - 6z^{-1}F_{15}''(y) + G(2c_6y + c_{10}) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\},$$

for some constants  $c_7, \dots, c_{11}$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= (2c_7 - c_{10})x - \frac{1}{2}c_6w^2 - c_8w - \frac{1}{2}c_6z^2 - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{19}(y), \\ X_2 &= c_6y^2 + c_{10}y + c_{11}, \\ X_3 &= z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= w(c_6y + c_7) + c_8y + c_9, \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y), \end{aligned} \tag{66}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= -(-G + 3z^{-2}H)^{-1}\{(z(c_6y + c_7) + F_{15}(y))G' \\ &\quad - 6z^{-1}F'_{15}(y) + 6z^{-2}F'_{19}(y) + G(2c_6y + c_{10}) + 6Hz^{-3}F_{15}(y)\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.11.** Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime with  $H = y^{2k-2}A(y^kz)$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i\partial_i$  if and only if

i) for  $2A'(y^kz) - zy^kA''(y^kz) = 0$  the functions  $X_i$  satisfy in (63) or (64), or (65),

ii) for  $2A'(y^kz) - zy^kA''(y^kz) \neq 0$  the functions  $X_i$  satisfy in (66).

**Corollary 3.12.** Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by  $H = y^{2k-2}A(y^kz)$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = F_{15}(y)\frac{3}{\Lambda z} + k$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### 3.7 Siklos metrics with $H = \epsilon z^k$

Let  $H = \epsilon z^k$  where  $\epsilon = \pm 1$  and  $k \neq 0$ . We have

$$2(\partial_3H) - z(\partial_{33}^2H + \partial_{44}^2H) = \epsilon(3k - k^2)z^{k-1}.$$

If  $k \neq 3$  then Equations (34) and (35) yield  $\partial_3X_2 = \partial_4X_2 = 0$ . Then  $a = b = F_7(y) = 0$  and  $X_2$  becomes  $X_2 = F_8(y)$ . From Equation (12), we obtain

$$\partial_3F_{11}(y, z) = -zF'_{14}(y) - F'_{15}(y).$$

Then

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{22}(y).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= -xF'_8(y) + 2xF_{14}(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F'_{14}(y) - wF'_{13}(y) - \frac{1}{2}z^2F'_{14}(y) \\ &\quad - zF'_{15}(y) + F_{22}(y), \\ X_2 &= F_8(y), \\ X_3 &= zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y), \\ X_4 &= wF_{14}(y) + F_{13}(y), \\ \alpha + \Lambda\beta &= -\frac{2}{z}F_{15}(y). \end{aligned}$$

Putting these equations in (12) and (19), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -2zx F_8''(y) + 4zx F_{14}'(y) - zw^2 F_{14}''(y) - 2zw F_{13}''(y) - z^3 F_{14}''(y) \\
 & -2z^2 F_{15}''(y) + 2z F_{22}'(y) + 2\epsilon z^{k+1} F_8'(y) - 2\epsilon z^k (z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & + \epsilon k z^k (z F_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) - \epsilon \frac{1}{3} (k^2 - 3k + 6) z^k F_{15}(y) + \frac{2}{3} z^3 (k^2 - 3k + 9) \{ \\
 & -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon (k - 2) (k^2 - 3k + 6) z^{k-3} (z F_{14} + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & + 6xz^{-2} F_8''(y) - 12xz^{-2} F_{14}'(y) + 3z^{-2} w^2 F_{14}''(y) \\
 & + 6z^{-2} w F_{13}''(y) + 3F_{14}''(y) + 6z^{-1} F_{15}''(y) - 6z^{-2} F_{22}'(y) \\
 & + \epsilon (k^2 - 3k + 6) z^{k-2} F_8'(y) - 6\epsilon z^{k-3} \}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary, we conclude  $-F_8''(y) + 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ , and the coefficient of  $w^2$  implies that  $F_{14}(y) = 0$ . Then  $F_{14}(y) = r_1 y + r_2$  and  $F_8(y) = r_1 y^2 + r_3 y + r_4$  for some constants  $r_1, \dots, r_4$ . Also the coefficient of  $w$  yields  $F_{13}''(y) = 0$  then  $F_{13}(y) = r_5 y + r_6$  for some constants  $r_5, r_6$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -2z^2 F_{15}''(y) + 2z F_{22}'(y) + 2\epsilon z^{k+1} (2r_1 y + r_3) - 2\epsilon z^k (z(r_1 y + r_2) + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & + \epsilon k z^k (z(r_1 y + r_2) + F_{15}(y)) - \epsilon \frac{1}{3} (k^2 - 3k + 6) z^k F_{15}(y) + \frac{2}{3} z^3 (k^2 - 3k + 9) \{ \\
 & -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon (k - 2) (k^2 - 3k + 6) z^{k-3} (z(r_1 y + r_2) + F_{15}(y)) \\
 & + + 6z^{-1} F_{15}''(y) - 6z^{-2} F_{22}'(y) \\
 & + \epsilon (k^2 - 3k + 6) z^{k-2} (2r_1 y + r_3) - 6\epsilon z^{k-3} \}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_1 &= -x(2r_1 y + r_3) + 2x(r_1 y + r_2) - \frac{1}{2} w^2 r_1 - w r_5 - \frac{1}{2} z^2 r_1 \\
 & \quad - z F_{15}'(y) + F_{22}(y), \\
 X_2 &= r_1 y^2 + r_3 y + r_4, \\
 X_3 &= z(r_1 y + r_2) + F_{15}(y), \\
 X_4 &= w(r_1 y + r_2) + r_5 y + r_6, \\
 \alpha + \Lambda \beta &= -\frac{2}{z} F_{15}(y).
 \end{aligned} \tag{67}$$

Now we assume that  $k = 3$  then (38) leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & zw F_7''(y) - 3\epsilon z^2 (\frac{1}{2} a w^2 + w F_7(y)) + \partial_3 F_{11}(y, z) \\
 & + \epsilon z^3 (az + b) + z F_{14}'(y) + F_{15}'(y) = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w$  is arbitrary we conclude  $a = F_7(y) = 0$  and

$$F_{11}(y, z) = -\frac{1}{4} \epsilon b z^4 - \frac{1}{2} z^2 F_{14}'(y) - z F_{15}'(y) + F_{23}(y).$$

From (18) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \epsilon(-bx + zF_{14}(y) + F_{15}(y)) + 2z^{-2}(-xF_8''(y) + 2xF_{14}'(y) - \frac{1}{2}w^2F_{14}''(y) \\ & -wF_{13}''(y) - \frac{1}{2}z^2F_{14}''(y) - zF_{15}''(y) + F_{23}'(y)) + 2\epsilon z(bz + F_8'(y)) \\ & -\epsilon(2bx - 2F_{15}(y)) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $x$  is arbitrary we have  $b = -F_8''(y) + 2F_{14}'(y) = 0$ . Also, since  $w$  is arbitrary we get  $F_{14}''(y) = F_{13}''(y) = F_{15}''(y) = F_{23}'(y) = F_{14}'(y) + 2F_8'(y) = 0$ . Then  $F_{14} = s_1$ ,  $F_8 = -\frac{1}{2}s_1y + s_2$ ,  $F_{23}(y) = s_3$ ,  $F_{13} = s_4y + s_5$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \frac{1}{2}s_1x + 2s_1x - s_4w + s_3, \\ X_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}s_1y + s_2, \\ X_3 &= s_1z, \\ X_4 &= -s_1w + s_4y + s_5, \\ \alpha &= \beta = 0. \end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

**Theorem 3.13.** Any homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by  $H = \epsilon z^k$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field  $X = X_i \partial_i$  if and only if  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $X_i$  satisfy in (67) for  $k \neq 3$  and (68) for  $k = 3$ .

**Corollary 3.14.** Homogeneous Siklos spacetime defined by nonzero constant  $H$  has Ricci bi-conformal vector field as  $X = \nabla f$  if and only if  $f = F_{15}(y) \frac{3}{\Lambda z} + d_0$  for  $k \neq 3$  and  $f = d_0$  for  $k = 3$  where  $d_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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