

# Spin<sup>T</sup> structure and Dirac operator on Riemannian manifolds

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we describe the group Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*) and give some properties of this group. We construct Spin<sup>T</sup> spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$  by means of the spinor representation of the group Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*) and define covariant derivative operator and Dirac operator on  $\mathbb{S}$ . Finally, Schrödinger-Lichnerowicz type formula is derived by using these operators.

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## 1 Introduction

Spin and Spin<sup>c</sup> structures is effective tool to study the geometry and topology of manifolds, especially in dimension four. Spin and Spin<sup>c</sup> manifolds have been studied extensively in [1, 2, 3, 4]. For any compact Lie group *G* the Spin<sup>G</sup> structure have been studied in [5, 6]. However, the spinor representation is replaced by a hyperkahler manifold, also called target manifold. In this paper, we define the Lie group Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*) as a quotient group. The groups Spin(*n*) and Spin<sup>c</sup>(*n*) are the subset of Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*). We define Spin<sup>T</sup> structure on any Riemannian manifold. The spinor representation of Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*) is defined by the help of the spinor representation of Spin(*n*). By using the spinor representation of Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*) we construct the Spin<sup>T</sup> spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$ . Finally, we give Schrödinger-Lichnerowicz type formula by using covariant derivative operator and Dirac operator on  $\mathbb{S}$ .

This paper is organized as follows. We begin with a section introducing the group Spin<sup>T</sup>(*n*). The following section is dedicated to the construction of the spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$ , the study the Dirac operator associated to Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$ . In the final section we obtain Schrödinger-Lichnerowicz type formula.

## 2 The group $Spin^T(n)$

**Definition 2.1.** The group  $Spin^T(n)$  is defined as

$$Spin^T(n) := (Spin(n) \times S^1 \times S^1) / \{\pm 1\}.$$

The elements of  $Spin^T(n)$  are thus classes  $[g, z_1, z_2]$  of pairs  $(g, z_1, z_2) \in Spin(n) \times S^1 \times S^1$  under the equivalence relation

$$(g, z_1, z_2) \sim (-g, -z_1, -z_2).$$

We can define the following homomorphisms:

- a. The map  $\lambda^T : Spin^T(n) \rightarrow SO(n)$  is given by  $\lambda^T([g, z_1, z_2]) = \lambda(g)$  where the map  $\lambda : Spin(n) \rightarrow SO(n)$  is the two-fold covering map given by  $\lambda(g)(v) = gvg^{-1}$ .
- b.  $i : Spin(n) \rightarrow Spin^T(n)$  is the natural inclusion map  $i(g) = [g, 1, 1]$ .
- c.  $j : S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow Spin^T(n)$  is the inclusion map  $j(z_1, z_2) = [1, z_1, z_2]$ .
- d.  $l : Spin^T(n) \rightarrow S^1 \times S^1$  is given by  $l([g, z_1, z_2]) = (z_1^2, z_1 z_2)$ .
- e.  $p : Spin^T(n) \rightarrow SO(n) \times S^1 \times S^1$  is given by  $p([g, z_1, z_2]) = (\lambda(g), z_1^2, z_1 z_2)$ . Hence,  $p = \lambda^T \times l$ . Here  $p$  is a 2-fold covering.

Thus, we obtain the following commutative diagram where the row and the column are exact.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & & 1 & & \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & & & S^1 \times S^1 & & \\
 & & & & \downarrow j & \searrow & \\
 1 & \longrightarrow & Spin(n) & \xrightarrow{i} & Spin^T(n) & \xrightarrow{l} & S^1 \times S^1 \longrightarrow 1 \\
 & & \searrow \lambda & & \downarrow \lambda^T & & \\
 & & & & SO(n) & & \\
 & & & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & & & 1 & & 
 \end{array}$$

Moreover, we have the following exact sequence:

$$1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \longrightarrow Spin^T(n) \xrightarrow{p} SO(n) \times S^1 \times S^1 \longrightarrow 1.$$

**Theorem 2.1.** The group  $Spin^T(n)$  is isomorphic to  $Spin^c(n) \times S^1$ .

*Proof.* We define the map  $\varphi$  in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} Spin(n) \times S^1 \times S^1 & \xrightarrow{\varphi} Spin^c(n) \times S^1 \\ (g, z_1, z_2) & \mapsto ([g, z_1], z_1 z_2) \end{aligned}$$

It can be easily shown that  $\varphi$  is a surjective homomorphism and the kernel of  $\varphi$  is  $\{(1, 1, 1), (-1, -1, -1)\}$ . Thus, the group  $Spin^T(n)$  is isomorphic to  $Spin^c(n) \times S^1$ .  $\square$

Since  $Spin(n)$  is contained in the complex Clifford algebra  $\mathbb{C}l_n$ , the spin representation  $\kappa$  of the group  $Spin(n)$  extends to a  $Spin^T(n)$ -representation. For an element  $[g, z_1, z_2]$  from  $Spin^T(n)$  and any spinor  $\psi \in \Delta_n$ , the spinor representation  $\kappa^T$  of  $Spin^T(n)$  is given by

$$\kappa^T[g, z_1, z_2]\psi = z_1^2 z_2 \kappa(g)(\psi).$$

**Proposition 2.2.** *If  $n = 2k + 1$  is odd, then  $\kappa^T$  is irreducible.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $\{0\} \neq W \neq \Delta_{2k+1}$  is a  $Spin^T$  invariant subspace. Thus, we have  $\kappa^T[g, z_1, z_2](W) \subseteq W$ . That is,  $z_1^2 z_2 \kappa(g)(W) \subseteq W$ . In this case, for every  $w \in W$  there exists a  $w' \in W$  such that  $z_1^2 z_2 \kappa(g)(w) = w'$ . As  $\kappa(g)(w) = \frac{1}{z_1^2 z_2} w' \in W$  and the representation  $\kappa$  of  $Spin(n)$  is irreducible if  $n$  is odd, this is a contradiction. The representation  $\kappa^T$  of  $Spin^T(n)$  has to be irreducible for  $n = 2k + 1$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.3.** *If  $n = 2k$  is even, then the spinor space  $\Delta_{2k}$  decomposes into two subspaces  $\Delta_{2k} = \Delta_{2k}^+ \oplus \Delta_{2k}^-$ .*

*Proof.* We know that the  $Spin(n)$  representation  $\Delta_{2k}$  decomposes into two subspaces  $\Delta_{2k}^+$  and  $\Delta_{2k}^-$ . Thus, we obtain  $z_1^2 z_2 \kappa(g)(\Delta_{2k}^+) \subseteq \Delta_{2k}^+$  and  $z_1^2 z_2 \kappa(g)(\Delta_{2k}^-) \subseteq \Delta_{2k}^-$ . Namely,  $\kappa^T[g, z_1, z_2](\Delta_{2k}^+) \subseteq \Delta_{2k}^+$  and  $\kappa^T[g, z_1, z_2](\Delta_{2k}^-) \subseteq \Delta_{2k}^-$ . Hence, the  $Spin^T(2k)$  representation  $\Delta_{2k}$  decomposes into two subspaces  $\Delta_{2k}^+$  and  $\Delta_{2k}^-$ . It can be easily seen that the  $Spin^T(2k)$  representation  $\Delta_{2k}^\pm$  is irreducible.  $\square$

The Lie algebra of the group  $Spin^T(n)$  is described by

$$\mathfrak{spin}^T(n) = \mathfrak{spin}(n) \oplus i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R}.$$

The differential  $p_* : \mathfrak{spin}^T(n) \rightarrow \mathfrak{so}(n) \oplus i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$p_*(e_\alpha e_\beta, \lambda i, \mu i) = (2E_{\alpha\beta}, 2\lambda i, (\lambda + \mu)i)$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are any real numbers and  $E_{\alpha\beta}$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with entries  $(E_{\alpha\beta})_{\alpha\beta} = -1$ ,  $(E_{\alpha\beta})_{\beta\alpha} = 1$  and all others are equal to zero. The inverse of the differential  $p_*$  is given by

$$p_*^{-1}(E_{\alpha\beta}, \lambda i, \mu i) = \left(\frac{1}{2}e_\alpha e_\beta, \frac{1}{2}\lambda i, \left(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\lambda\right)i\right).$$

### 3 Spin<sup>T</sup> structure, Spinor bundle and Dirac operator

**Definition 3.1.** A Spin<sup>T</sup> structure on an oriented Riemannian manifold  $(M^n, g)$  is a Spin<sup>T</sup>( $n$ ) principal bundle  $P_{Spin^T(n)}$  together with a smooth map  $\Lambda : P_{Spin^T(n)} \rightarrow P_{SO(n)}$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P_{Spin^T(n)} \times Spin^T(n) & \longrightarrow & P_{Spin^T(n)} \\ \downarrow \Lambda \times \lambda^T & & \downarrow \Lambda \\ P_{SO(n)} \times SO(n) & \longrightarrow & P_{SO(n)} \end{array}$$

From above definition we can construct a two-fold covering map

$$\Pi : P_{Spin^T(n)} \rightarrow P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}.$$

Given a Spin<sup>T</sup> structure  $(P_{Spin^T(n)}, \Lambda)$ , the map  $\lambda^T : Spin^T(n) \rightarrow SO(n)$  induces an isomorphism

$$P_{Spin^T(n)}/S^1 \times S^1 \cong P_{SO(n)}.$$

In similar way,  $Spin^T(n)/Spin(n) \cong S^1 \times S^1$  implies the isomorphism

$$P_{Spin^T(n)}/Spin(n) \cong P_{S^1 \times S^1}.$$

Note that on account of the inclusion map  $i : Spin(n) \rightarrow Spin^T(n)$ , every spin structure on  $M$  induces a Spin<sup>T</sup> structure. Similarly, since there exists a inclusion map  $Spin^c(n) \rightarrow Spin^T(n)$ , every Spin<sup>c</sup> structure on  $M$  induces a Spin<sup>T</sup> structure.

Let  $(M^n, g)$  be an oriented connected Riemannian manifold and  $P_{SO(n)} \rightarrow M$  the  $SO(n)$ -principal bundle of positively oriented orthonormal frames. The Levi-Civita connection  $\nabla$  on  $P_{SO(n)}$  determines a connection 1-form  $\omega$  on the principal bundle  $P_{SO(n)}$  with values in  $\mathfrak{so}(n)$ , locally given by

$$\omega^e = \sum_{i < j} g(\nabla e_i, e_j) E_{ij}$$

where  $e = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is a local section of  $P_{SO(n)}$  and  $E_{ij}$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with entries  $(E_{ij})_{ij} = -1$ ,  $(E_{ij})_{ji} = 1$  and all others are equal to zero.

We fix a connection

$$(A, B) : TP_{S^1 \times S^1} \rightarrow i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R}$$

on the principal bundle  $P_{S^1 \times S^1}$ . The connections  $\omega$  and  $(A, B)$  induce a connection

$$\omega \times (A, B) : T(P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}) \rightarrow \mathfrak{so}(n) \oplus i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R}$$

on the fibre product bundle  $P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}$ . Now we can define a connection 1-form  $\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}$  on the principal bundle  $P_{Spin^T(n)}$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} TP_{Spin^T(n)} & \xrightarrow{\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}} & \mathfrak{spin}^T(n) = \mathfrak{spin}(n) \oplus i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R} \\ \downarrow \Pi_* & & \downarrow p_* \\ T(P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}) & \xrightarrow{\omega \times (A, B)} & \mathfrak{so}(n) \oplus i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

That is, the equality

$$p_* \circ \omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)} = (\omega \times (A, B)) \circ \Pi_*$$

holds.

**Definition 3.2.** The spinor bundle of a  $\text{Spin}^T$  manifold is defined as the associated vector bundle

$$\mathbb{S} = P_{\text{Spin}^T(n)} \times_{\kappa^T} \Delta_n$$

where  $\kappa^T : \text{Spin}^T(n) \rightarrow GL(\Delta_n)$  is the spinor representation of  $\text{Spin}^T(n)$ . In case of  $n = 2k$  the spinor bundle splits into the sum of two subbundles  $\mathbb{S}^+$  and  $\mathbb{S}^-$  such that

$$\mathbb{S} = \mathbb{S}^+ \oplus \mathbb{S}^-, \quad \mathbb{S}^\pm = P_{\text{Spin}^T(n)} \times_{\kappa^T} \Delta_n^\pm.$$

Any spinor field  $\psi$  can be identified with the map  $\psi : P_{\text{Spin}^T(n)} \rightarrow \Delta_n$  satisfying the transformation rule  $\widetilde{\psi}(pg) = \kappa^T(g^{-1})\psi(p)$ . The absolute differential of a section  $\psi$  with respect to  $\omega \times (A, B)$  determines a covariant derivative

$$\widetilde{\nabla} : \Gamma(\mathbb{S}) \rightarrow \Gamma(T^*M \otimes \mathbb{S})$$

given by

$$\widetilde{\nabla}\psi = d\psi + \kappa_{*1}^T(\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)})\psi$$

where  $\kappa_{*1}^T : \mathfrak{spin}^T(n) \rightarrow \text{End}(\Delta_n)$  is the derivative of  $\kappa$  at the identity  $1 \in \text{Spin}^T(n)$ . It can be also shown that

$$\kappa_{*1}^T(e_\alpha e_\beta, \lambda i, \mu i) = \kappa(e_\alpha e_\beta) + (2\lambda i + \mu i)Id$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are any real numbers and  $\kappa$  is the spin representation of the group  $\text{Spin}(n)$ .

Now we give the local formulas for connections. Fix a section  $s : U \rightarrow P_{S^1 \times S^1}$  of the principal bundle  $P_{S^1 \times S^1}$ . Then, we obtain the local connection form

$$(A^s, B^s) : TU \rightarrow i\mathbb{R} \oplus i\mathbb{R}$$

where  $A^s, B^s : TU \rightarrow i\mathbb{R}$ .  $e \times s : U \rightarrow P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}$  is a local section of the fiber product bundle  $P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}$ .  $\widetilde{e \times s}$  is a lift of this section to the two-fold covering

$\Pi : P_{\text{Spin}^T(n)} \rightarrow P_{SO(n)} \times P_{S^1 \times S^1}$ . The local connection form  $\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}^{(\widetilde{e \times s})}$  on the principal bundle  $P_{\text{Spin}^T(n)}$  is given by the formula

$$\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}^{(\widetilde{e \times s})} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} g(\nabla e_i, e_j) e_i e_j, \frac{1}{2} A^s, B^s - \frac{1}{2} A^s \right)$$

Hence, this connection form induces a connection  $\widetilde{\nabla}$  on the spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$ . We can locally describe  $\widetilde{\nabla}$  by

$$(3.1) \quad \widetilde{\nabla}_X \psi = d\psi(X) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} g(\nabla_X e_i, e_j) e_i e_j \psi + \frac{1}{2} A^s \psi + B^s \psi$$

where  $\psi : U \rightarrow \Delta_n$  is a section of the spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$ .

**Definition 3.3.** The first order differential operator

$$D_{(A,B)} = \mu \circ \tilde{\nabla} : \Gamma(\mathbb{S}) \xrightarrow{\tilde{\nabla}} \Gamma(T^*M \otimes \mathbb{S}) \xrightarrow{\mu} \Gamma(\mathbb{S})$$

where  $\mu$  denotes Clifford multiplication, is called the Dirac operator.

The Dirac operator  $D_{(A,B)}$  is locally given by

$$(3.2) \quad D_{(A,B)}\psi = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}\psi$$

where  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  is a local orthonormal frame on the manifold  $M$ .

The Dirac operator has the following property:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $f$  be a smooth function and  $\psi \in \Gamma(\mathbb{S})$  be a spinor field. Then,*

$$D_{(A,B)}(f \cdot \psi) = (\text{grad}f \cdot \psi) + fD_{(A,B)}\psi.$$

*Proof.* By using the definition of the Dirac operator  $D_{(A,B)}$  we can compute  $D_{(A,B)}(f \cdot \psi)$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} D_{(A,B)}(f \cdot \psi) &= \sum_{i=1}^n e_i \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}(f \cdot \psi) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n e_i \cdot (e_i(f) \cdot \psi + f\tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}\psi) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n e_i(f)e_i \cdot \psi + f\sum_{i=1}^n e_i \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}\psi \\ &= (\text{grad}f) \cdot \psi + fD_{(A,B)}\psi \end{aligned}$$

□

Now we can define the Laplace operator on the spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$ .

**Definition 3.4.** Let  $\psi \in \Gamma(\mathbb{S})$  be a spinor field. The Laplace operator  $\Delta$  on spinors is defined by

$$(3.3) \quad \Delta\psi = -\sum_{i=1}^n \left( \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}\tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}\psi + \text{div}(e_i)\tilde{\nabla}_{e_i}\psi \right).$$

## 4 Schrödinger-Lichnerowicz type formula

The square  $D_{(A,B)}^2$  of the Dirac operator and the Laplace operator  $\Delta$  are second order differential operators. We derive Schrödinger-Lichnerowicz type formula by computing their difference  $D_{(A,B)}^2 - \Delta$ .

The curvature  $R^{\mathbb{S}}$  of the spinor covariant derivative  $\tilde{\nabla}$  is an  $\text{End}(\mathbb{S})$  valued 2-form by

$$R^{\mathbb{S}}(X, Y)\psi = \tilde{\nabla}_X\tilde{\nabla}_Y\psi - \tilde{\nabla}_Y\tilde{\nabla}_X\psi - \tilde{\nabla}_{[X, Y]}\psi$$

where  $\psi \in \Gamma(\mathbb{S})$  and  $X, Y \in \Gamma(TM)$ . Now we want to describe  $R^{\mathbb{S}}$  in terms of the curvature tensor  $R$ .

Let  $\Omega^\omega : TP_{SO(n)} \times TP_{SO(n)} \rightarrow \mathfrak{so}(n)$  be the curvature form of the Levi-Civita connection with the components

$$\Omega^\omega = \sum_{i < j} \Omega_{ij} E_{ij}$$

where  $\Omega_{ij} : TP_{SO(n)} \times TP_{SO(n)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The commutative diagram defining the connection  $\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}$  implies that the curvature form of  $\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}$  is

$$\Omega^{\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} \Pi^*(\Omega_{ij}) e_i e_j \oplus \frac{1}{2} \Pi^*(dA) \oplus \Pi^*(dB).$$

Hence the 2-form  $R^{\mathbb{S}}$  with values in the spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$  is obtained by the following formula:

$$R^{\mathbb{S}}(.,.)\psi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} \Omega_{ij} e_i e_j \cdot \psi + \frac{1}{2} dA \cdot \psi + dB \cdot \psi.$$

Let  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$  be orthonormal frame field,  $\Omega_{ij}(X, Y) = g(R(X, Y)e_i, e_j)$  the components of the curvature form of the Levi-Civita connection,

$X = \sum_{k=1}^n X^k e_k$  and  $Y = \sum_{l=1}^n Y^l e_l$  be vector fields on the Riemannian manifold  $M$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{ij}(X, Y) &= g(R(X, Y)e_i, e_j) \\ &= \sum_{k, l=1}^n R_{klij} X^k Y^l \\ &= \sum_{k, l=1}^n R_{klij} e^k(X) e^l(Y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k, l=1}^n R_{klij} (e^k \wedge e^l)(X, Y). \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{e^1, \dots, e^n\}$  is the frame dual to  $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ . Thus, we obtain the following local formula for the curvature form

$$\Omega^{\omega \times \widetilde{(A, B)}} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{k, l=1}^n R_{klij} (e^k \wedge e^l) e_i e_j + \frac{1}{2} dA + dB$$

and the 2-form  $R^{\mathbb{S}}(.,.)$  is calculated as follows:

$$R^{\mathbb{S}}(.,.)\psi = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{k, l=1}^n R_{klij} (e^k \wedge e^l) e_i e_j \cdot \psi + \frac{1}{2} dA \cdot \psi + dB \cdot \psi.$$

By using the above properties of the curvature form  $R^{\mathbb{S}}$  on spinor bundle  $\mathbb{S}$  we deduce the following result:

**Proposition 4.1.** *Let Ric be the Ricci tensor. Then, the following relation holds:*

$$(4.1) \quad \sum_{\alpha=1}^n e_\alpha \cdot R^{\mathbb{S}}(X, e_\alpha)\psi = -\frac{1}{2} Ric(X) \cdot \psi + \frac{1}{2} (X \lrcorner dA) \cdot \psi + (X \lrcorner dB) \cdot \psi$$

*Proof.* In [1] it is proved the following relation:

$$(4.2) \quad \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \sum_{i < j} \sum_{k, l=1}^n R_{klij} (e^k \wedge e^l) e_\alpha e_i e_j \cdot \psi = -2 \text{Ric}(X) \cdot \psi$$

It can be easily seen the following two relations:

$$(4.3) \quad \sum_{\alpha=1}^n e_\alpha \cdot dA(X, e_\alpha) \cdot \psi = (X \lrcorner dA) \cdot \psi$$

and

$$(4.4) \quad \sum_{\alpha=1}^n e_\alpha \cdot dB(X, e_\alpha) \cdot \psi = (X \lrcorner dB) \cdot \psi.$$

Then, using (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4), we obtain the claimed equivalence.  $\square$

Now, we derive Schrödinger-Lichnerowicz-type formula in the following way:

**Proposition 4.2.** *Let  $s$  be scalar curvature of the Riemannian manifold and let  $dA = \Omega^A$  and  $dB = \Omega^B$  be the imaginary-valued 2-forms of the connections  $(A, B)$  in the  $(S^1 \times S^1)$ -bundle associated with Spin<sup>T</sup> structure. Then, we have the following formula:*

$$D_{(A,B)}^2 \psi = \Delta \psi + \frac{s}{4} \psi + \frac{1}{2} dA \cdot \psi + dB \cdot \psi.$$

*Proof.*

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{(A,B)}^2 \psi &= \sum_{i,j} e_i \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} (e_j \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi) \\ &= \sum_{i,j} e_i \cdot \nabla_{e_i} e_j \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi + e_i e_j \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi \\ &= \sum_{i,j,k} g(\nabla_{e_i} e_j, e_k) e_i e_k \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi + \sum_{i,j} e_i e_j \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi \\ &= \Delta \psi + \sum_{j, i \neq k} g(\nabla_{e_i} e_j, e_k) e_i e_k \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi + \sum_{i \neq j} e_i e_j \cdot \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi \end{aligned}$$

Now we can calculate the following sum:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \neq k} g(\nabla_{e_i} e_j, e_k) e_i e_k &= - \sum_{i \neq k} g(e_j, \nabla_{e_i} e_k) e_i e_k \\ &= - \sum_{i < k} g(e_j, \nabla_{e_i} e_k - \nabla_{e_k} e_i) e_i e_k \\ &= \sum_{i < k} g(e_j, [e_k, e_i]) e_i e_k \end{aligned}$$

From (4.5) we get

$$\begin{aligned} D_{(A,B)}^2 \psi &= \Delta \psi + \sum_{j, i < k} g(e_j, [e_k, e_i]) e_i e_k \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi + \sum_{i < j} e_i e_j \cdot (\tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi - \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \psi) \\ &= \Delta \psi + \sum_{i < j} e_i e_j (\tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \psi - \tilde{\nabla}_{e_j} \tilde{\nabla}_{e_i} \psi - \tilde{\nabla}_{[e_i, e_j]} \psi) \\ &= \Delta \psi + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} e_i e_j R^{\mathbb{S}}(e_i, e_j) \psi. \end{aligned}$$



Using the identity (4.1) and multiplying by  $e_i$  we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} D_{(A,B)}^2 \psi &= \Delta \psi - \frac{1}{4} \sum_i e_i Ric(e_i) \cdot \psi + \frac{1}{4} \sum_i e_i \cdot (e_i \lrcorner dA) \cdot \psi + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i e_i \cdot (e_i \lrcorner dB) \cdot \psi \\ &= \Delta \psi + \frac{s}{4} \psi + \frac{1}{2} dA \cdot \psi + dB \cdot \psi. \end{aligned}$$

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