

## 3-TYPE CURVES IN THE EUCLIDEAN SPACE $E^4$

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### Abstract

In [1] D. Blair gave a complete classification of 3-type curves in the space  $E^3$ . In this paper we give a complete classification of 3-type curves in the space  $E^4$ .

The notion of curves of finite type was introduced by B. Y. Chen around 1980. A closed curve  $\gamma$  in a Euclidean space  $E^n$  has a finite type (type  $k$ ,  $k \in N$ ) if its Fourier series expansion with respect to an arclength parameter is finite (has exactly  $k$  nonzero terms).

It is proved in [3] that a closed curve  $\gamma: [0, 2\pi r] \mapsto E^n$  is of  $k$ -type ( $k \in N$ ) if and only if there is a vector  $A_0 \in E^n$ , natural numbers  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_k$ , and vectors  $A_1, \dots, A_k, B_1, \dots, B_k \in E^n$  such that  $\|A_i\|^2 + \|B_i\|^2 \neq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, k$ ) and

$$\gamma(s) = A_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k \left( A_i \cos \frac{p_i s}{r} + B_i \sin \frac{p_i s}{r} \right).$$

It is shown in [5] that the only interesting case is then  $n \leq 2k$ .

In particular, 3-type curves in the space  $E^3$ , have been investigated several times in the literature (see e.g. [1], [8], [9]). One of the most important papers in that direction is the paper [1] by D. Blair, where a complete classification of such curves in the space  $E^3$  is given.

In this paper we will go a step further, and classify 3-type curves in the space  $E^4$ . In some subsequent papers we shall also consider 3-type curves

in the spaces  $E^5$  and  $E^6$ . This will obviously complete the investigation of 3-type curves in Euclidean spaces.

Our paper is close to the paper [1], but it is not a simple imitation of this paper. Namely in the space  $E^4$  we often really meet some cases and situations which are contradictory in the space  $E^3$ .

We need to mention here that by usual lifting  $(x, y, z) \mapsto (x, y, z, 0)$  of the space  $E^3$  in  $E^4$ , every 3-type curve in the space  $E^3$  becomes a 3-type curve in the space  $E^4$ . So, it is interesting to search only for 3-type curve in the space  $E^4$  which are not of such a type.

By the general statement, we have that a curve  $\gamma \subseteq E^4$  is of 3-type if there are natural numbers  $p_1 < p_2 < p_3$  (frequency numbers of the curve) such that  $\gamma: [0, 2\pi r] \mapsto E^4$  has the form

$$\gamma(s) = A_0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \left( A_i \cos \frac{p_i s}{r} + B_i \sin \frac{p_i s}{r} \right),$$

where  $A_0 \in E^4$  and  $A_1, A_2, A_3, B_1, B_2, B_3 \in E^4$  are such that  $\|A_i\|^2 + \|B_i\|^2 \neq 0$  for each  $i = 1, 2, 3$ .

It is proved in [3] that the last condition is equivalent to the following system of equations:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 p_i^2 D_{ii} = 2r^2, \quad (O)$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ 2p_i=l}}^3 p_i^2 A_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i>j \\ p_i+p_j=l}}^3 p_i p_j A_{ij} - \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i>j \\ p_i-p_j=l}}^3 p_i p_j D_{ij} = 0, \quad I(l)$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ 2p_i=l}}^3 p_i^2 \bar{A}_{ii} + 2 \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i>j \\ p_i+p_j=l}}^3 p_i p_j \bar{A}_{ij} - \sum_{\substack{i,j=1 \\ i>j \\ p_i-p_j=l}}^3 p_i p_j \bar{D}_{ij} = 0, \quad \bar{I}(l)$$

where

$$A_{ij} = \langle A_i, A_j \rangle - \langle B_i, B_j \rangle, \quad \bar{A}_{ij} = \langle A_i, B_j \rangle + \langle A_j, B_i \rangle, \\ D_{ij} = \langle A_i, A_j \rangle + \langle B_i, B_j \rangle, \quad \bar{D}_{ij} = \langle A_i, B_j \rangle - \langle A_j, B_i \rangle,$$

$(i, j = 1, 2, 3)$ , and  $l$  runs the set

$$A = \{2p_1, 2p_2, 2p_3, p_1 + p_2, p_1 + p_3, p_2 + p_3, p_2 - p_1, p_3 - p_1, p_3 - p_2\}.$$

The main theorem of this paper is the following.

**Theorem.** If  $\gamma(s)$  is a 3-type curve in the Euclidean space  $E^4$ , then parameter  $p_3$  equals to some of the numbers  $2p_1 + p_2$ ,  $p_1 + 2p_2$ ,  $2p_2 - p_1$  and the curve belongs to a multiparameter family of curves, or the frequency numbers are in the ratio 1 : 3 : 9 and the curve belongs to a 5-parameter family of curves.

The proof of this theorem follows from a series of propositions which we are going to prove.

In the sequel, the most important thing is to differ the cases when all indices in the set  $\mathcal{A}$  are distinct, or some of them coincide.

The complete classification of all these cases is as follows.

$$p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 \neq 3p_1, 3p_2, p_2 + 2p_1, 2p_2 \pm p_1 \quad (1^0)$$

$$p_2 = 3p_1, p_3 \neq 5p_1, 7p_1, 9p_1 \quad (2^0)$$

$$p_2 \neq 2p_1, p_3 = 3p_1 \quad (3^0)$$

$$p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 = 3p_2 \quad (4^0)$$

$$p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 = p_2 + 2p_1 \quad (5^0)$$

$$p_2 = 3p_1, p_3 = 5p_1 \quad (6^0)$$

$$p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 = p_1 + 2p_2 \quad (7^0)$$

$$p_2 = 3p_1, p_3 = 7p_1 \quad (8^0)$$

$$p_2 \neq 2p_1, 3p_1, p_3 = 2p_2 - p_1 \quad (9^0)$$

$$p_2 = 2p_1, p_3 = 3p_1 \quad (10^0)$$

$$p_2 = 3p_1, p_3 = 9p_1. \quad (11^0)$$

We shall discuss all these cases separately. We mention that the case  $p_3 = 3p_2$  is contradictory in the space  $E^3$  (see [1]), but here in the case  $(11^0)$  it gives a family of curves.

Next we introduce the following notations:

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14}), \quad B_1 = (b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{13}, b_{14}),$$

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), \quad B_2 = (b_{21}, b_{22}, b_{23}, b_{24})$$

$$A_3 = (a_{31}, a_{32}, a_{33}, a_{34}), \quad B_3 = (b_{31}, b_{32}, b_{33}, b_{34}).$$

If some index in the set  $\mathcal{A}$  differs of all other indices in this set, we shall call it "single". The set  $\mathcal{A}$  obviously has at least two single indices, namely  $2p_3$  and  $p_2 + p_3$ . These indices are evidently the greatest in  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Lemma 1.** *By a suitable change of the coordinate system, we can assume that*

$$A_3 = (\mu, 0, 0, 0), \quad B_3 = (0, \mu, 0, 0) \quad (\mu \neq 0).$$

*In this system we have  $b_{21} = -a_{22}$ ,  $b_{22} = a_{21}$ , thus  $B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24})$ .*

**Proof.** Since the parameters  $2p_3$  and  $p_2 + p_3 < 2p_3$  are single in  $\mathcal{A}$ , we have the equalities  $I(2p_3), \bar{I}(2p_3), I(p_2 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_2 + p_3)$ , and hence we obtain

$$A_{33} = \bar{A}_{33} = A_{32} = \bar{A}_{32} = 0. \quad (1)$$

From the first two relations we find that  $\|A_3\| = \|B_3\|$  and  $A_3 \perp B_3$ . By changing the coordinate system we can assume that then

$$A_3 = (\mu, 0, 0, 0), \quad B_3 = (0, \mu, 0, 0)$$

for some  $\mu \neq 0$ .

Then the third and the fourth relation give

$$\langle A_3, A_2 \rangle = \langle B_3, B_2 \rangle, \quad \langle A_3, B_2 \rangle = -\langle A_2, B_3 \rangle,$$

hence

$$\mu a_{21} = \mu b_{22}, \quad \mu b_{21} = -\mu a_{22}.$$

Since  $\mu \neq 0$ , we obtain  $b_{22} = a_{21}$ ,  $b_{21} = -a_{22}$ , thus

$$B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}). \square$$

**Lemma 2.** *If  $2p_2$  and  $p_3 - p_2$  are single parameters, then by a suitable change of coordinate system we can assume that*

$$A_2 = (0, 0, \nu, 0), \quad B_2 = (0, 0, 0, \nu),$$

for some  $\nu \neq 0$ .

**Proof.** Since  $2p_2$  and  $p_3 - p_2$  are single, by relations  $I(p_3 - p_2), \bar{I}(p_3 - p_2), I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  we obtain

$$D_{32} = \bar{D}_{32} = A_{22} = \bar{A}_{22} = 0.$$

Since

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}),$$

relations  $D_{32} = \bar{D}_{32} = 0$  give that  $a_{21} = a_{22} = 0$ . Next by relation  $A_{22} = \bar{A}_{22} = 0$  we find that  $\|A_2\| = \|B_2\|$  and  $A_2 \perp B_2$ , hence we can choose a new coordinate system in which  $A_2$  and  $B_2$  have this form.  $\square$

**Proposition 1.** Cases  $(1^0)$ ,  $(2^0)$ ,  $(3^0)$  and  $(4^0)$  are impossible.

**Proof.** Case  $(1^0)$ . In this case we have that  $|\mathcal{A}| = 9$ , thus all mentioned parameters are single. By Lemma 2 we can assume that

$$A_2 = (0, 0, \nu, 0), \quad B_2 = (0, 0, 0, \nu)$$

for some  $\nu \neq 0$ .

Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2), I(p_2 - p_1)$  and  $\bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$ , we easily find that  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_2, B_2$ .

Similarly, by relations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3), I(p_3 - p_1)$  and  $\bar{I}(p_3 - p_1)$  we find that  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_3, B_3$ .

But since  $A_2, B_2, A_3, B_3$  span all the space  $E^4$ , we obtain a contradiction  $A_1 = B_1 = 0$ .

Case  $(2^0)$ . In this case the only equality is  $2p_1 = p_2 - p_1$ . Hence by Lemma 2 we again find that

$$A_2 = (0, 0, \nu, 0), \quad B_2 = (0, 0, 0, \nu).$$

Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3), I(p_3 - p_1)$  and  $\bar{I}(p_3 - p_1)$  we easily find that  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_3, B_3$ . Hence we can assume that

$$A_1 = (0, 0, a_{13}, a_{14}), \quad B_1 = (0, 0, b_{13}, b_{14}).$$

Next relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2)$  give  $A_{12} = \bar{A}_{12} = 0$ , hence  $b_{13} = -a_{14}$ ,  $b_{14} = a_{13}$ , that is  $B_1 = (0, 0, -a_{14}, a_{13})$ , and therefore  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|$ ,  $A_1 \perp B_1$ .

Now by relations  $I(2p_1)$  and  $\bar{I}(2p_1)$  we find

$$A_{11} = 3D_{21}, \quad \bar{A}_{11} = 3\bar{D}_{21},$$

and since  $A_{11} = 0, \bar{A}_{11} = 0$ , we obtain that  $D_{21} = 0, \bar{D}_{21} = 0$ . Hence  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_2, B_2$  which gives a contradiction  $A_1 = B_1 = 0$ .

Case  $(3^0)$ . In that case, the only equality is  $2p_1 = p_3 - p_1$ , and by Lemma 2 we again find that

$$A_2 = (0, 0, \nu, 0), \quad B_2 = (0, 0, 0, \nu) \quad (\nu \neq 0).$$

By relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2), I(p_2 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$  we get that

$$A_{21} = \bar{A}_{21} = D_{21} = \bar{D}_{21} = 0,$$

hence  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_2, B_2$ , so we can assume that

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, 0, 0), \quad B_1 = (b_{11}, b_{12}, 0, 0).$$

Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3)$  we get that  $A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0$ , hence  $b_{11} = -a_{12}, b_{12} = a_{11}$ . So  $B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, 0, 0)$ . But then  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|$  and  $A_1 \perp B_1$ .

Finally, by relations  $I(2p_1)$  and  $\bar{I}(2p_1)$ ,  $(2p_1 = p_3 - p_1)$  we obtain that

$$A_{11} = 3D_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{11} = 3\bar{D}_{31}.$$

But since  $A_{11} = \bar{A}_{11} = 0$ , we obtain that  $D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0$ , hence  $a_{11} = a_{12} = 0$ .

So we again get a contradiction  $A_1 = B_1 = 0$ .

Case (4<sup>0</sup>). ( $p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 = 3p_2$ ). Then the only equality is  $2p_2 = p_3 - p_2$ .

By relations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3), I(p_3 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_3 - p_1)$  we find that  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_3, B_3$ . Hence we can put

$$A_1 = (0, 0, a_{13}, a_{14}), \quad B_1 = (0, 0, b_{13}, b_{14}).$$

By relations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1)$  we also find that  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|, A_1 \perp B_1$ , so in a suitable chosen coordinate system we can take

$$A_1 = (0, 0, \nu, 0), \quad B_1 = (0, 0, 0, \nu) \quad (\nu \neq 0).$$

Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2), I(p_2 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$ , we get that  $A_2, B_2 \perp A_1, B_1$ , thus we can take

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, 0, 0), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, 0, 0).$$

Then  $\|A_2\| = \|B_2\|, A_2 \perp B_2$ , and consequently  $A_{22} = \bar{A}_{22} = 0$ .

Finally, by relations  $I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  ( $2p_2 = p_3 - p_2$ ) we obtain

$$A_{22} = 3D_{32}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = 3\bar{D}_{32},$$

hence  $D_{32} = \bar{D}_{32} = 0$ . This easily gives  $a_{21} = a_{22} = 0$ , thus  $A_2 = B_2 = 0$ , what is a contradiction.  $\square$

**Proposition 2** (Case  $(5^0)$ ) ( $p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 = p_2 + 2p_1$ ). In this case a curve  $\gamma(s)$  has the type 3 if and only if in a coordinate system we have

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14}), \quad B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, b_{13}, b_{14}),$$

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, \nu, 0), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, 0, \nu),$$

$$A_3 = (\mu, 0, 0, 0), \quad B_3 = (0, \mu, 0, 0),$$

where  $\mu \neq 0, \nu \in R$  and

$$a_{21} a_{11} + a_{22} a_{12} = -\frac{\nu}{2} (a_{13} + b_{14}), \quad (1)$$

$$a_{21} a_{12} - a_{22} a_{11} = \frac{\nu}{2} (b_{13} - a_{14}), \quad (2)$$

$$a_{13}^2 + a_{14}^2 - b_{13}^2 - b_{14}^2 = \frac{2p_2 p_3 \mu a_{21}}{p_1^2}, \quad (3)$$

$$a_{13} b_{13} + a_{14} b_{14} = -\frac{p_2 p_3 \mu a_{22}}{p_1^2}, \quad (4)$$

$$\nu (a_{13} - b_{14}) = \frac{p_3 \mu a_{11}}{p_2}, \quad (5)$$

$$a_{21} a_{12} - a_{22} a_{11} - \nu b_{13} = \frac{p_3 \mu a_{12}}{2p_2}. \quad (6)$$

**Remark.** The system above has 6 equations and 10 parameters. Hence 4 of these parameters are "free" while the other 6 can be expressed by them. This system always has at least one solution since it corresponds to the case 3.1 by D. Blair.

**Proof.** In this case the only equalities are

$$2p_1 = p_3 - p_2, \quad p_1 + p_2 = p_3 - p_1.$$

Assuming that  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 and using relations  $I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  we get  $A_{22} = \bar{A}_{22} = 0$ , hence  $\|A_2\| = \|B_2\|$  and  $A_2 \perp B_2$ . Since  $A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24})$ , we get that

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 = b_{23}^2 + b_{24}^2, \quad a_{23} b_{23} + a_{24} b_{24} = 0.$$

Hence, in a new coordinate system,  $A_2, B_2$  will have the form

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, \nu, 0), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, 0, \nu),$$

for some  $\nu \in R$ .

Next using the equations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3)$  we find that  $A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0$ , whence

$$\langle A_3, A_1 \rangle = \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle = -\langle B_3, A_1 \rangle.$$

Hence we get  $b_{11} = -a_{12}$ ,  $b_{12} = a_{11}$ , and consequently  $B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, b_{13}, b_{14})$ .

Next using the equations  $I(p_2 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$  we get  $D_{21} = \bar{D}_{21} = 0$ , thus

$$\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle = -\langle B_2, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle = \langle A_1, B_2 \rangle.$$

The last two relations immediately give the equations (1) and (2).

Finally, using the equations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1)$  ( $2p_1 = p_3 - p_2$ ),  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2)$  ( $p_1 + p_2 = p_3 - p_1$ ), we get

$$A_{11} = \frac{p_2 p_3}{p_1^2} D_{32}, \quad \bar{A}_{11} = \frac{p_2 p_3}{p_1^2} \bar{D}_{32}, \quad A_{21} = \frac{p_3}{2p_2} D_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{21} = \frac{p_3}{2p_2} \bar{D}_{31}.$$

Since

$$A_{11} = \|A_1\|^2 - \|B_1\|^2 = a_{13}^2 + a_{14}^2 - b_{13}^2 - b_{14}^2,$$

$$\bar{A}_{11} = 2\langle A_1, B_1 \rangle = 2(a_{13}b_{13} + a_{14}b_{14}),$$

$$A_{21} = \langle A_2, A_1 \rangle - \langle B_2, B_1 \rangle = \nu(a_{13} - b_{14}),$$

$$\bar{A}_{21} = \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1, B_2 \rangle = 2\langle A_2, B_1 \rangle = 2(-a_{21}a_{12} + a_{22}a_{11} + \nu b_{13}),$$

$$D_{32} = \langle A_3, A_2 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_2 \rangle = 2\mu a_{21},$$

$$\bar{D}_{32} = \langle A_3, B_2 \rangle - \langle A_2, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{22},$$

$$D_{31} = \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = 2\mu a_{11},$$

$$\bar{D}_{31} = \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{12},$$

a substitution immediately gives the equations (3)–(6).

Since the converse is immediate, the proof is complete.  $\square$

**Proposition 3** (Case  $(6^0)$ ) ( $p_1 : p_2 : p_3 = 1 : 3 : 5$ ). *In this case a curve  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 if and only if, in a coordinate system we have*

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14}), \quad B_1 = (b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{13}, b_{14}),$$

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}),$$

$$A_3 = (\mu, 0, 0, 0), \quad B_3 = (0, \mu, 0, 0),$$

where  $\mu \neq 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}^2 + a_{12}^2 + a_{13}^2 + a_{14}^2 - b_{11}^2 - b_{12}^2 - b_{13}^2 - b_{14}^2 &= \\ &= 3(a_{21}a_{11} + a_{22}a_{12} + a_{23}a_{13} + a_{24}a_{14}) + \\ &+ 3(-a_{22}b_{11} + a_{21}b_{12} + b_{23}b_{13} + b_{24}b_{14}) + 30\mu a_{21}, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$



$$a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{12} + a_{13}b_{13} + a_{14}b_{14} = \quad (2)$$

$$= 1.5 (a_{21} b_{11} + a_{22} b_{12} + a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14}) - \\ -1.5 (-a_{22} a_{11} + a_{21} a_{12} + b_{23} a_{13} + b_{24} a_{14}) - 15\mu a_{22},$$

$$(a_{21} a_{11} + a_{22} a_{12} + a_{23} a_{13} + a_{24} a_{14}) - \quad (3)$$

$$-(-a_{22} b_{11} + a_{21} b_{12} + b_{23} b_{13} + b_{24} b_{14}) = \frac{5}{6} \mu (a_{11} + b_{12}),$$

$$(a_{21} b_{11} + a_{22} b_{12} + a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14}) + \quad (4)$$

$$+(-a_{22} a_{11} + a_{21} a_{12} + b_{23} a_{13} + b_{24} a_{14}) = \frac{5}{6} \mu (b_{11} - a_{12}),$$

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2 = -\frac{10}{9} \mu (a_{11} - b_{12}), \quad (5)$$

$$a_{23}b_{23} + a_{24}b_{24} = -\frac{5}{9} \mu (b_{11} + a_{12}). \quad (6)$$

**Remark.** Since the system above has 6 equations with 15 parameters, 9 of these parameters are "free" while the other 6 can be expressed by free ones. This system has at least one solution since it corresponds to the case 2.1 by D. Blair.

**Proof.** The only equalities in this case are

$$2p_1 = p_2 - p_1 = p_3 - p_2, \quad p_1 + p_2 = p_3 - p_1, \quad p_1 + p_3 = 2p_2.$$

Assuming that  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 we firstly find that vectors  $A_2, B_2, A_3, B_3$ , in a suitable chosen coordinate system, have the mentioned form. Next by relations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1), I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2), I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3)$  we find the equations

$$A_{11} - 3D_{21} - 15D_{32} = 0,$$

$$\bar{A}_{11} - 3\bar{D}_{21} - 15\bar{D}_{32} = 0,$$

$$A_{21} = \frac{5}{6} D_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{21} = \frac{5}{6} \bar{D}_{31},$$

$$A_{22} = -\frac{10}{9} A_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = -\frac{10}{9} \bar{A}_{31}.$$

Since

$$D_{32} = \langle A_3, A_2 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_2 \rangle = 2\mu a_{21},$$

$$\bar{D}_{32} = \langle A_3, B_2 \rangle - \langle A_2, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{22},$$

$$D_{31} = \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = \mu (a_{11} + b_{12}),$$

$$\bar{D}_{31} = \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = \mu (b_{11} - a_{12}),$$

$$A_{31} = \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle - \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = \mu (a_{11} - b_{12}),$$

$$\bar{A}_{31} = \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = \mu (b_{11} + a_{12}),$$

a substitution immediately gives the equations (1)–(6).

Since the converse statement is immediate, the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Proposition 4** (Case (7<sup>0</sup>)) ( $p_2 \neq 3p_1, p_3 = p_1 + 2p_2$ ). In this case a curve  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 if and only if, in a coordinate system we have

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, \nu, 0), \quad B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, 0, \nu),$$

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}),$$

$$A_3 = (\mu, 0, 0, 0), \quad B_3 = (0, \mu, 0, 0),$$

where  $\mu \neq 0, \nu \in R$  and

$$a_{21} a_{11} + a_{22} a_{12} = -\frac{\nu}{2} (a_{23} + b_{24}), \quad (1)$$

$$a_{21} a_{12} - a_{22} a_{11} = \frac{\nu}{2} (a_{24} - b_{23}), \quad (2)$$

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2 = \frac{2p_1 p_3 \mu}{p_2^2} a_{11}, \quad (3)$$

$$a_{23} b_{23} + a_{24} b_{24} = -\frac{p_1 p_3 \mu}{p_2^2} a_{12}, \quad (4)$$

$$\nu (a_{23} - b_{24}) = \frac{p_3 a_{21} \mu}{p_1}, \quad (5)$$

$$\nu (a_{24} + b_{23}) = -\frac{p_3 a_{22} \mu}{p_1}. \quad (6)$$

**Remark.** The system above has 6 equations and 10 parameters. Hence 4 of these parameters are "free" while the other 6 can be expressed by them. This system always has at least one solution since it corresponds to the case 1.2 by D. Blair.

**Proof.** In this case the only equalities are

$$2p_2 = p_3 - p_1, \quad p_1 + p_2 = p_3 - p_2.$$

If  $\gamma(s)$  has the type 3, then  $A_i, B_i$  ( $i = 2, 3$ ) have the form as was described earlier. Next by relations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1)$  we have  $A_{11} = \bar{A}_{11} = 0$ , hence  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|$  and  $A_1 \perp B_1$ .

Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3), I(p_2 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$ , we get

$$A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = D_{21} = \bar{D}_{21} = 0,$$

therefore

$$\langle A_3, A_1 \rangle = \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle = -\langle B_3, A_1 \rangle,$$

$$\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle = -\langle B_2, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle = \langle A_1, B_2 \rangle.$$

First two of these equations give

$$\mu a_{11} = \mu b_{12}, \quad \mu b_{11} = -\mu a_{12},$$

hence  $b_{12} = a_{11}$ ,  $b_{11} = -a_{12}$  because  $\mu \neq 0$ . Hence  $B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, b_{13}, b_{14})$ .

Since  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|$  and  $A_1 \perp B_1$ , we can again change the coordinate system so that  $A_1, B_1$  have the form

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, \nu, 0), \quad B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, 0, \nu).$$

Another two of the above equations now easily give equations (1) and (2).

Finally, by relations  $I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  ( $2p_2 = p_3 - p_1$ ),  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2)$  ( $p_1 + p_2 = p_3 - p_2$ ) we get

$$A_{22} = \frac{p_1 p_3}{p_2^2} D_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = \frac{p_1 p_3}{p_2^2} \bar{D}_{31}, \quad A_{21} = \frac{p_3}{2p_1} D_{32}, \quad \bar{A}_{21} = \frac{p_3}{2p_1} \bar{D}_{32}.$$

Hence we easily find the equations (3)-(6).

Since the converse is immediate, we completed the proof.  $\square$

**Proposition 5** (Case  $(8^0)$ ) ( $p_1 : p_2 : p_3 = 1 : 3 : 7$ ). In this case a curve  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 if and only if, in a coordinate system, we have

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14}), \quad B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, b_{13}, b_{14}),$$

$$A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), \quad B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}),$$

$$A_3 = (\mu, 0, 0, 0), \quad B_3 = (0, \mu, 0, 0),$$

where  $\mu \neq 0$  and

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2 = \frac{14}{9} \mu a_{11}, \quad (1)$$

$$a_{23} b_{23} + a_{24} b_{24} = -\frac{7}{9} \mu a_{12}, \quad (2)$$

$$a_{13} a_{23} + a_{14} a_{24} - b_{13} b_{23} - b_{14} b_{24} = 7 \mu a_{21}, \quad (3)$$

$$b_{13} a_{23} + b_{14} a_{24} + a_{13} b_{23} + a_{14} b_{24} = -7 \mu a_{22}, \quad (4)$$

$$a_{13}^2 + a_{14}^2 - b_{13}^2 - b_{14}^2 = 3(2a_{21} a_{11} + 2a_{22} a_{12} + a_{23} a_{13} + a_{24} a_{14} + b_{13} b_{23} + b_{14} b_{24}), \quad (5)$$

$$a_{13} b_{13} + a_{14} b_{14} = 1.5(-2a_{21} a_{12} + 2a_{22} a_{11} + a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14} - b_{23} a_{13} - b_{24} a_{14}). \quad (6)$$

**Remark.** Since the system above (1)–(6) has 6 equations and 13 parameters, then 7 of these parameters are "free" while the remaining 6 can be expressed by them.

This system has at least one solution since this case corresponds to the case 1.1 by D. Blair. Thus it is enough to take  $a_{14} = b_{14} = a_{24} = b_{24} = 0$  and the corresponding example of D. Blair in the space  $E^3$ .

**Proof.** The only equalities in this case are

$$2p_1 = p_2 - p_1, \quad 2p_2 = p_3 - p_1, \quad p_1 + p_2 = p_3 - p_2.$$

Assuming that  $\gamma(s)$  is a 3-type curve and using equalities  $I(p_1 + p_3)$  and  $\bar{I}(p_1 + p_3)$  we have  $A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = 0$ . Hence if  $A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14})$ ,  $B_1 = (b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{13}, b_{14})$  we easily get  $b_{11} = -a_{12}$ ,  $b_{12} = a_{11}$ , thus  $B_1 = (-a_{12}, a_{11}, b_{13}, b_{14})$ .

Next relations  $I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2), I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2)$  give:

$$A_{22} = \frac{7}{9} D_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = \frac{7}{9} \bar{D}_{31}, \quad A_{21} = \frac{7}{2} D_{32}, \quad \bar{A}_{21} = \frac{7}{2} \bar{D}_{32}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} D_{31} &= \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = 2\mu a_{11}, \\ \bar{D}_{31} &= \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{12}, \\ D_{32} &= \langle A_3, A_2 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_2 \rangle = 2\mu a_{21}, \\ \bar{D}_{32} &= \langle A_3, B_2 \rangle - \langle A_2, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{22}, \end{aligned}$$

the last four equations give equations (1)–(4).

Finally, equations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1)$  give  $A_{11} = 3D_{21}$ ,  $\bar{A}_{11} = 3\bar{D}_{21}$ , that is

$$\begin{aligned} \|A_1\|^2 - \|B_1\|^2 &= 3(\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle + \langle B_2, B_1 \rangle), \\ \langle A_1, B_1 \rangle &= 1.5(\langle A_2, B_1 \rangle - \langle B_2, A_1 \rangle), \end{aligned}$$

thus we have the equations (5) and (6).

The converse is immediate.  $\square$

**Proposition 6** (Case (9<sup>0</sup>)) ( $p_2 \neq 2p_1, 3p_1, p_3 = 2p_2 - p_1$ ). In this case a curve  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 if and only if in a coordinate system we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= (a_{11}, a_{12}, \nu, 0), & B_1 &= (a_{12}, -a_{11}, 0, \nu), \\ A_2 &= (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), & B_2 &= (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}), \\ A_3 &= (\mu, 0, 0, 0), & B_3 &= (0, \mu, 0, 0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu \neq 0$ ,  $\nu \in R$  and

$$a_{21} a_{11} + a_{22} a_{12} = \frac{\nu}{2} (b_{24} - a_{23}), \quad (1)$$

$$a_{22} a_{11} - a_{21} a_{12} = \frac{\nu}{2} (b_{23} + a_{24}), \quad (2)$$

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2 = -\frac{6p_1 p_3}{p_2^2} \mu a_{11}, \quad (3)$$

$$a_{23} b_{23} + a_{24} b_{24} = -2\frac{p_1 p_3}{p_2^2} \mu a_{12}, \quad (4)$$

$$\nu (a_{23} + b_{24}) = -\frac{2p_3}{p_1} \mu a_{21}, \quad (5)$$

$$\nu (a_{24} - b_{23}) = \frac{2p_3}{p_1} \mu a_{22}. \quad (6)$$

**Remark.** The system above has 6 equations and 10 parameters, so that 4 of these parameters are "free" while the other can be expressed by them. This system always has at least one solution because it corresponds to the case 2.2 by D. Blair.

**Proof.** The only equalities in this case are

$$2p_2 = p_1 + p_3, \quad p_2 - p_1 = p_3 - p_2.$$

Assuming that  $\gamma(s)$  has the type 3, by relations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1)$  we get  $A_{11} = \bar{A}_{11} = 0$ , hence  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|$  and  $A_1 \perp B_1$ .

Next by relations  $I(p_3 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_3 - p_1)$  we get  $D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0$ , which means that

$$\langle A_3, A_1 \rangle = -\langle B_3, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle = \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle.$$

This easily gives  $b_{11} = a_{12}$ ,  $b_{12} = -a_{11}$ , thus  $B_1 = (a_{12}, -a_{11}, b_{13}, b_{14})$ .

Since  $\|A_1\| = \|B_1\|$ ,  $A_1 \perp B_1$ , we can again change the coordinate system so that

$$A_1 = (a_{11}, a_{12}, \nu, 0), \quad B_1 = (a_{12}, -a_{11}, 0, \nu) \quad (\nu \in R).$$

Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2), I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  ( $2p_2 = p_1 + p_3$ ),  $I(p_2 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$  ( $p_2 - p_1 = p_3 - p_2$ ), we get

$$\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle = \langle B_2, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle = -\langle B_2, A_1 \rangle,$$

$$A_{22} = -\frac{2p_1 p_3}{p_2^2} A_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = -\frac{2p_1 p_3}{p_2^2} \bar{A}_{31},$$

$$D_{21} = -\frac{p_3}{p_1} D_{32}, \quad \bar{D}_{21} = -\frac{p_3}{p_1} \bar{D}_{32}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_{22} &= \|A_2\|^2 - \|B_2\|^2 = a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2, \\
 A_{31} &= \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle - \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = 2\mu a_{11}, \\
 \bar{A}_{22} &= 2\langle A_2, B_2 \rangle = 2(a_{23}b_{23} + a_{24}b_{24}), \\
 \bar{A}_{31} &= \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = 2\mu a_{12}, \\
 D_{21} &= \langle A_2, A_1 \rangle + \langle B_2, B_1 \rangle = \nu(a_{23} + b_{24}), \\
 D_{32} &= \langle A_3, A_2 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_2 \rangle = 2\mu a_{21}, \\
 \bar{D}_{21} &= \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_2 \rangle = \nu(a_{24} - b_{23}), \\
 \bar{D}_{32} &= \langle A_3, B_2 \rangle - \langle A_2, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{22},
 \end{aligned}$$

a substitution immediately gives the equations (1)–(6).

Since the converse is immediate, we completed the proof.  $\square$

**Proposition 7** (Case  $(10^0)$ ) ( $p_1 : p_2 : p_3 = 1 : 2 : 3$ ). *In this case  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 if and only if, in a coordinate system, we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_1 &= (a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{13}, a_{14}), & B_1 &= (b_{11}, b_{12}, b_{13}, b_{14}), \\
 A_2 &= (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), & B_2 &= (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}), \\
 A_3 &= (\mu, 0, 0, 0), & B_3 &= (0, \mu, 0, 0),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu \neq 0$  and

$$a_{21} a_{11} + a_{22} a_{12} + a_{23} a_{13} + a_{24} a_{14} = -a_{22} b_{11} + a_{21} b_{12} + b_{23} b_{13} + b_{24} b_{14}, \quad (1)$$

$$a_{21} b_{11} + a_{22} b_{12} + a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14} = a_{22} a_{11} - a_{21} a_{12} - b_{23} a_{13} - b_{24} a_{14}, \quad (2)$$

$$a_{11}^2 + a_{12}^2 + a_{13}^2 + a_{14}^2 - b_{11}^2 - b_{12}^2 - b_{13}^2 - b_{14}^2 = 3\mu(a_{11} + b_{12}), \quad (3)$$

$$a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{12} + a_{13}b_{13} + a_{14}b_{14} = 1.5\mu(b_{11} - a_{12}), \quad (4)$$

$$a_{21} a_{11} + a_{22} a_{12} + a_{23} a_{13} + a_{24} a_{14} = -3\mu a_{21}, \quad (5)$$

$$a_{21} b_{11} + a_{22} b_{12} + a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14} = 3\mu a_{22}, \quad (6)$$

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2 = -1.5\mu(a_{11} - b_{12}), \quad (7)$$

$$a_{23} b_{23} + a_{24} b_{24} = -\frac{3}{4}\mu(b_{11} + a_{12}). \quad (8)$$

**Remark.** The system above has 8 equations and 13 parameters. So 5 of these parameters are "free" while the other 8 can be expressed by them.

This system always has at least one solution, since the corresponding case for the space  $E^3$  is contained in the case 2.2 by D. Blair.

**Proof.** The only equalities in this case are

$$2p_1 = p_3 - p_1, \quad 2p_2 = p_1 + p_3, \quad p_2 - p_1 = p_3 - p_2.$$

Assuming that  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3, we find that in a coordinate system  $A_2, B_2, A_3, B_3$  have the mentioned form. Next by relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2)$  we have  $A_{12} = \bar{A}_{12} = 0$ .

Hence we get the equations

$$\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle = \langle B_2, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle = -\langle A_1, B_2 \rangle,$$

thus we find equations (1) and (2).

By equations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1), I(p_2 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_2 - p_1)$  we also find:

$$A_{11} = 3D_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{11} = 3\bar{D}_{31}, \quad D_{21} = -3D_{32}, \quad \bar{D}_{21} = -3\bar{D}_{32},$$

while by relations  $I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  we obtain

$$A_{22} = -1.5A_{31}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = -1.5\bar{A}_{31}.$$

Since, taking in account (1) and (2)

$$\begin{aligned} A_{11} &= \|A_1\|^2 - \|B_1\|^2, & \bar{A}_{11} &= 2\langle A_1, B_1 \rangle, \\ D_{31} &= \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = \mu(a_{11} + b_{12}), \\ \bar{D}_{31} &= \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = \mu(b_{11} - a_{12}), \\ D_{21} &= \langle A_2, A_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_2 \rangle = 2\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle, \\ \bar{D}_{21} &= \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle - \langle A_1, B_2 \rangle = 2\langle A_2, B_1 \rangle, \\ D_{32} &= \langle A_3, A_2 \rangle + \langle B_3, B_2 \rangle = 2\mu a_{21}, \\ \bar{D}_{32} &= \langle A_3, B_2 \rangle - \langle A_2, B_3 \rangle = -2\mu a_{22}, \\ A_{22} &= \|A_2\|^2 - \|B_2\|^2, & \bar{A}_{22} &= 2\langle A_2, B_2 \rangle, \\ A_{31} &= \langle A_3, A_1 \rangle - \langle B_3, B_1 \rangle = \mu(a_{11} - b_{12}), \\ \bar{A}_{31} &= \langle A_3, B_1 \rangle + \langle A_1, B_3 \rangle = \mu(a_{12} + b_{11}), \end{aligned}$$

a substitution in the last 6 equations give the equations (3)–(8).

Since the converse is immediate, the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Proposition 8** (Case  $(11^0)$ ) ( $p_1 : p_2 : p_3 = 1 : 3 : 9$ ). In this case a curve  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 if and only if in a coordinate system we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= (0, 0, a_{13}, a_{14}), & B_1 &= (0, 0, b_{13}, b_{14}), \\ A_2 &= (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24}), & B_2 &= (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24}), \\ A_3 &= (\mu, 0, 0, 0), & B_3 &= (0, \mu, 0, 0), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu \neq 0$  and

$$a_{23} a_{13} + a_{24} a_{14} = b_{23} b_{13} + b_{24} b_{14}, \quad (1)$$

$$a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14} = -b_{23} a_{13} - b_{24} a_{14}, \quad (2)$$

$$a_{13}^2 + a_{14}^2 - b_{13}^2 - b_{14}^2 = 6(a_{23} a_{13} + a_{24} a_{14}), \quad (3)$$

$$a_{13} b_{13} + a_{14} b_{14} = 3(a_{23} b_{13} + a_{24} b_{14}), \quad (4)$$

$$a_{23}^2 + a_{24}^2 - b_{23}^2 - b_{24}^2 = 6\mu a_{21}, \quad (5)$$

$$a_{23} b_{23} + a_{24} b_{24} = -3\mu a_{22}. \quad (6)$$

**Remark.** The system above obviously has 5 "free" parameters, while the remaining 6 can be expressed by them. It is important to say that this case is contradictory in the space  $E^3$ . Hence we give at least one solution in the space  $E^4$ . It is enough to take

$$\begin{aligned} a_{13} &= a_{14} = b_{13} = 1, & b_{14} &= 0, \\ a_{23} &= 1/3, & a_{24} &= -1/6, & b_{23} &= 1/6, & b_{24} &= -1/2, \\ a_{21} &= 2, & a_{22} &= 1, & \mu &= -5/108. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** In this case the only equalities are

$$2p_1 = p_2 - p_1, \quad 2p_2 = p_3 - p_2.$$

Assuming that  $\gamma(s)$  is of type 3 we find by relations  $I(p_1 + p_3), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_3), I(p_3 - p_1), \bar{I}(p_3 - p_1)$  that

$$A_{31} = \bar{A}_{31} = D_{31} = \bar{D}_{31} = 0.$$

Hence  $A_1, B_1 \perp A_3, B_3$  and consequently  $A_1 = (0, 0, a_{13}, a_{14}), B_1 = (0, 0, b_{13}, b_{14})$ .

By relations  $I(p_1 + p_2), \bar{I}(p_1 + p_2)$  we also get  $A_{21} = \bar{A}_{21} = 0$ , and hence

$$\langle A_2, A_1 \rangle = \langle B_2, B_1 \rangle, \quad \langle A_2, B_1 \rangle = -\langle A_1, B_2 \rangle.$$



Since  $A_2 = (a_{21}, a_{22}, a_{23}, a_{24})$ ,  $B_2 = (-a_{22}, a_{21}, b_{23}, b_{24})$ , the last two equations give (1) and (2).

Finally, by relations  $I(2p_1), \bar{I}(2p_1)$  ( $2p_1 = p_2 - p_1$ ),  $I(2p_2), \bar{I}(2p_2)$  ( $2p_2 = p_3 - p_2$ ) we get

$$A_{11} = 3D_{21}, \quad \bar{A}_{11} = 3\bar{D}_{21}, \quad A_{22} = 3D_{32}, \quad \bar{A}_{22} = 3\bar{D}_{32}.$$

This, together with (1) and (2), gives the equations (3)–(6).

Since the converse is immediate, the proof is complete.  $\square$

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