

# QUASI-EINSTEIN METRICS ON HYPERSURFACE FAMILIES

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**ABSTRACT.** We construct quasi-Einstein metrics on some hypersurface families. The hypersurfaces are circle bundles over the product of Fano, Kähler-Einstein manifolds. The quasi-Einstein metrics are related to various gradient Kähler-Ricci solitons constructed by Dancer and Wang and some Hermitian, non-Kähler, Einstein metrics constructed by Wang and Wang on the same manifolds.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

**1.1. Motivation and definitions.** This article<sup>1</sup> is concerned with a generalisation of Einstein metrics that in some sense interpolates between Einstein metrics and Ricci solitons, namely, quasi-Einstein metrics.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $M^n$  be a smooth manifold and  $g$  be a complete Riemannian metric. The metric  $g$  is called quasi-Einstein if it solves

$$\text{Ric}(g) + \text{Hess}(u) - \frac{1}{m} du \otimes du + \frac{\epsilon}{2} g = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $u \in C^\infty(M)$ ,  $m \in (1, \infty]$  and  $\epsilon$  is a constant.

It is clear that if  $u$  is constant then we recover the notion of an Einstein metric; we will refer to these metrics as trivial quasi-Einstein metrics. By letting the constant  $m$  go to infinity we can also recover the definition of a gradient Ricci soliton. In line with the terminology used for Ricci solitons, we will refer to the quasi-Einstein metrics with  $\epsilon < 0$ ,  $\epsilon = 0$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  as shrinking, steady and expanding respectively.

There has been a great deal of effort invested in finding non-trivial examples of Ricci solitons on compact manifolds. However, they remain rare and the only known examples are Kähler. Due to work the work of Hamilton [13] and Perelman [19], non-trivial Ricci solitons on compact manifolds must be shrinking gradient Ricci solitons. The first non-trivial examples were constructed independently by Koiso and Cao on  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1$ -bundles over complex projective spaces [3, 15]. These examples were subsequently generalised by Chave and Valet [7] and Pedersen, Tønneson-Freidman and Valent [18] who found Kähler-Ricci solitons on the projectivisation of various line bundles

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over a Fano Kähler-Einstein base. The reader should note that what we call a Ricci soliton is referred to as a quasi-Einstein metrics in the papers [7] and [18]. Recently Dancer and Wang generalised these examples by constructing some Kähler Ricci solitons on various hypersurface families where the hypersurface is a circle bundle over the product of Fano Kahler-Einstein manifolds [9]. The solitons found by Dancer and Wang were also independently constructed by Apostolev, Calderbank, Gauduchon and Tønneson-Freidman [1].

In the complete non-compact case Feldman, Ilmanen and Knopf [11] found shrinking gradient Kähler-Ricci solitons on certain line bundles over  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n$ . Steady gradient Kähler-Ricci solitons were first constructed on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by Cao [3] (the  $n = 1$  case was first found by Hamilton [12]). Cao also found steady gradient Kähler-Ricci solitons on the blow up of  $\mathbb{C}^n/\mathbb{Z}_n$  at the origin. Expanding gradient Kähler-Ricci solitons have been found by Cao on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  [4] and by Feldman, Ilmanen and Knopf on the blow ups of  $\mathbb{C}^n/\mathbb{Z}_k$  for  $k = n+1, n+2, \dots$ , [11]. Examples were also found by Pedersen, Tønneson-Freidman and Valent on the total space of holomorphic line bundles over Kahler-Einstein manifolds with negative scalar curvature [18]. As in the compact case, these examples have been generalised by Dancer and Wang who constructed shrinking, steady and expanding Kähler-Ricci solitons on various vector bundles over the product of Kähler-Einstein manifolds [9].

In the recent work [6] Case suggested that there should be quasi-Einstein analogues of Dancer-Wang's solitons. He points out that the quasi-Einstein analogue of Koiso-Cao, Chave-Valent and Pedersen-Tønneson-Freidman-Valent type solitons was already constructed by Lü, Page and Pope [16]. The purpose of this article is to show that Dancer-Wang's solitons indeed have quasi-Einstein analogues. However it is better to think of these metrics as quasi-Einstein analogues of various Hermitian, non-Kähler, Einstein metrics constructed by Wang and Wang on these spaces [20]. The Wang-Wang Einstein metrics generalise a construction originating with Page [17] and Berard-Bergery [2]. We now state the precise results we wish to prove. Non-trivial steady or expanding quasi-Einstein metrics can only occur on non-compact manifolds [14]. In the non-compact case we have the following which is the quasi-Einstein analogue of theorem 1.6 in [20]:

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $(V_i, J_i, h_i), 1 \leq i \leq r, r \geq 3$ , be Fano Kähler-Einstein manifolds with complex dimension  $n_i$  and first Chern class  $p_i a_i$  where  $p_i > 0$  and  $a_i$  are indivisible classes in  $H^2(V_i, \mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $V_1$  be a complex projective space with normalised Fubini-Study metric i.e.  $p_1 = (n_1 + 1)$ . Let  $P_q$  denote the principal  $\mathbb{S}^1$ -bundle over  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_r$  with Euler class  $\pm \pi_1^*(a_1) + \sum_{i=2}^r q_i \pi_i^*(a_i)$ , i.e.  $q_1^2 = 1$ .*

- (1) *Suppose  $(n_1 + 1)|q_i| < p_i$  for  $2 \leq i \leq r$  then, for all  $m > 1$ , there exists a non-trivial, complete, steady, quasi-Einstein metric on the*

total space of the  $\mathbb{C}^{n_1+1}$ -bundle over  $V_2 \times \dots \times V_r$  corresponding to  $P_q$ .

- (2) For all  $m > 1$  there exists at least one one-parameter family of non-trivial, complete, expanding, quasi-Einstein metrics on the total space of the  $\mathbb{C}^{n_1+1}$ -bundle over  $V_2 \times \dots \times V_r$  corresponding to  $P_q$ .

For the compact case we have the following analogue of theorem 1.2 in [20].

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let  $(V_i, J_i, h_i), 1 \leq i \leq r, r \geq 3$ , be Fano Kähler-Einstein manifolds with complex dimension  $n_i$  and first Chern class  $p_i a_i$  where  $p_i > 0$  and  $a_i$  are indivisible classes in  $H^2(V_i, \mathbb{Z})$ . Let  $V_1$  and  $V_r$  be a complex projective space with normalised Fubini-Study metrics. Let  $P_q$  denote the principal  $\mathbb{S}^1$ -bundle over  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_r$  with Euler class  $\pm \pi_1^*(a_1) + \sum_{i=2}^{r-1} q_i \pi_i^*(a_i) \pm \pi^*(a_r)$ , i.e.  $|q_1| = |q_r| = 1$ .*

Suppose that  $|q_i|(n_1 + 1) < p_i$  and  $|q_i|(n_r + 1) < p_i$  for  $2 \leq i \leq r - 1$  and that there exists  $\chi = (\chi_1, \chi_2, \dots, \chi_r)$  where  $|\chi_i| = 1, \chi_1 = -\chi_r = 1$  such that

$$\int_{-(n_1+1)}^{(n_r+1)} \left( \chi_1 x + \frac{p_1}{|q_1|} \right)^{n_1} \left( \chi_2 x + \frac{p_2}{|q_2|} \right)^{n_2} \dots \left( \chi_r x + \frac{p_r}{|q_r|} \right)^{n_r} x dx < 0, \quad (1.2)$$

then, for all  $m > 1$  there exists a non-trivial, shrinking quasi-Einstein metric on  $M_q$ , the space obtained from  $P_q \times_{S^1} \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1$  by blowing-down one end to  $V_2 \times \dots \times V_r$  and the other end to  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_{r-1}$ .

We remark that the Futaki invariant (evaluated on the holomorphic vector field  $f(t)\partial_t$  in the notation of the next section) is given by

$$\int_{-(n_1+1)}^{(n_r+1)} \left( \frac{p_1}{q_1} - x \right)^{n_1} \left( \frac{p_2}{q_2} - x \right)^{n_2} \dots \left( \frac{p_r}{q_r} - x \right)^{n_r} x dx.$$

If this integral vanishes then Dancer-Wang construct a Kähler-Einstein metric on  $M_q$ .

Finally we note that none of the metrics we find are Kähler. Indeed there is a rigidity result due to Case-Shu-Wei [5] that says, on compact manifolds, Kähler-quasi-Einstein metrics are trivial i.e. Kähler-Einstein.

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## 2. PROOF OF MAIN THEOREMS

**2.1. Derivation of equations.** We use the same notation as above. We consider the manifold

$M_0 = (0, l) \times P_q$ . Let  $\theta$  be the principal  $U(1)$ -connection on  $P_q$  with curvature  $\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^r q_i \pi^* \eta_i$  where  $\eta_i$  is the Kähler form of the metric  $h_i$ . We form the 1-parameter family of metrics on  $P_q$

$$g_t = f^2(t)\theta \otimes \theta + \sum_{i=1}^{i=r} g_i^2(t)\pi^* h_i$$

and we then form the metric  $\bar{g} = dt^2 + g_t$  on  $M_0$ . The group  $U(1)$  acts on  $M_0$  by isometries and generates a Killing field  $Z$ . We define a complex structure  $J$  on  $M_0$  by  $J(\partial_t) = -f^{-1}(t)Z$  on the vertical space of  $\theta$  and by lifting the complex structure from the base on the horizontal spaces of  $\theta$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $M_0$  be as above and let  $v = e^{-\frac{u}{m}}$ . Then the quasi-Einstein equations in this setting are given by:*

$$\frac{\ddot{f}}{f} + \sum_{i=1}^{i=r} 2n_i \frac{\ddot{g}_i}{g_i} + m \frac{\ddot{v}}{v} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad (2.1)$$

$$\frac{\dot{f}}{f} + \sum_{i=1}^{i=r} \left( 2n_i \frac{\dot{f}\dot{g}_i}{fg_i} - \frac{n_i q_i^2 f^2}{2g_i^4} \right) + m \frac{\dot{f}\dot{v}}{fv} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad (2.2)$$

$$\frac{\ddot{g}_i}{g_i} - \left( \frac{\dot{g}_i}{g_i} \right)^2 + \frac{\dot{f}\dot{g}_i}{fg_i} + \sum_{j=1}^{j=r} 2n_j \frac{\dot{g}_i\dot{g}_j}{g_i g_j} - \frac{p_i}{g_i^2} + \frac{q_i^2 f^2}{2g_i^4} + m \frac{\dot{g}_i\dot{v}}{g_i v} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \quad (2.3)$$

In order that  $(M, g, u)$  be a quasi-Einstein manifold, as well as equation (1.1),  $u$  must also satisfy an integrability condition that essentially comes from the second Bianchi identity (c.f. Lemma 3.4 in [9]). The form we use here is given in Case [6] using the Bakry-Émery Laplacian:

$$\Delta_u := \Delta - \langle \nabla u, \cdot \rangle.$$

**Lemma 2.2** (Kim-Kim [14] Corollary 3). *Let  $(M, g, u)$  be a quasi-Einstein manifold then there exists a constant  $\mu$  such that*

$$\Delta_u \left( \frac{u}{m} \right) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = -\mu e^{\frac{2u}{m}}. \quad (2.4)$$

*In the notation above (recalling  $v = e^{-\frac{u}{m}}$ ) this condition becomes*

$$\mu = v\ddot{v} + v\dot{v} \left( \frac{\dot{f}}{f} + \sum_i 2n_i \frac{\dot{g}_i}{g_i} \right) + (m-1)\dot{v}^2 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}v^2. \quad (2.5)$$

The constant  $\mu$  enters into the discussion of Einstein warped products when  $m$  is an integer. If  $(M, g, u)$  is a quasi-Einstein manifold with constant  $\mu$  coming from (2.4) and  $(F^m, h)$  is an Einstein manifold with constant  $\mu$ , then  $(M \times F^m, g \oplus v^2 h)$  is an Einstein metric with constant  $-\epsilon/2$  as in equation (1.1) (c.f. [14]).

Introducing the moment map change of variables as in [9] and [20] yields the following set of equations:

**Proposition 2.3.** *Let  $s$  be the coordinate on  $I = (0, l)$  such that  $ds = f(t)dt$ ,  $\alpha(s) = f^2(t)$ ,  $\beta_i(s) = g_i^2(t)$ ,  $\phi(s) = v(t)$  and  $V = \prod_{i=1}^{i=r} g_i^{2n_i}(t)$ . Then the equations (2.1),(2.2),(2.3) and (2.5) transform to the following:*

$$\frac{1}{2}\alpha'' + \frac{1}{2}\alpha'(\log V)' + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^r n_i \left( \frac{\beta_i''}{\beta_i} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\beta_i'}{\beta_i} \right)^2 \right) + m \left( \frac{\alpha\phi''}{\phi} + \frac{\alpha'\phi'}{2\phi} \right) = \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad (2.6)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}\alpha'' + \frac{1}{2}\alpha'(\log V)' - \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{i=r} \frac{n_i q_i^2}{2\beta_i^2} + m \frac{\alpha'\phi'}{2\phi} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad (2.7)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha'\beta_i'}{\beta_i} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha \left( \frac{\beta_i''}{\beta_i} - \left( \frac{\beta_i'}{\beta_i} \right)^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha\beta_i'}{\beta_i} (\log V)' - \frac{p_i}{\beta_i} + \frac{q_i^2 \alpha}{2\beta_i^2} + m \frac{\alpha\beta_i'\phi'}{2\beta_i\phi} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}, \quad (2.8)$$

$$\phi \left( \phi'' \alpha + \frac{\phi'\alpha'}{2} \right) + \phi\phi' \left( \frac{\alpha'}{2} + (\log V)'\alpha \right) + (m-1)(\phi')^2 \alpha - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \phi^2 = \mu. \quad (2.9)$$

Equating (2.6) and (2.7) we obtain

$$-m \frac{\phi''}{\phi} = \sum_{i=1}^{i=r} n_i \left( \frac{\beta_i''}{\beta_i} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\beta_i'}{\beta_i} \right)^2 + \frac{q_i^2}{2\beta_i^2} \right) \quad (2.10)$$

Following [9, 20] we look for solutions that satisfy

$$\frac{\beta_i''}{\beta_i} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\beta_i'}{\beta_i} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{q_i^2}{\beta_i^2} = 0.$$

This condition can be geometrically interpreted as saying that the curvature of  $\bar{g}$  is  $J$ -invariant in the sense that  $\overline{Rm}(J\cdot, J\cdot, J\cdot, J\cdot) = \overline{Rm}(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$  where  $J$  is the complex structure on  $M_0$ . Imposing this forces  $\phi$  to be a linear function of  $s$ . We write  $\phi(s) = \kappa_1(s + \kappa_0)$  for some constants  $\kappa_0, \kappa_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Hence (2.9) becomes

$$\alpha' + \alpha((\log V)' + \frac{(m-1)}{(s + \kappa_0)}) = \frac{\epsilon(s + \kappa_0)}{2} + \frac{\mu}{\kappa_1^2(s + \kappa_0)}. \quad (2.11)$$

Accordingly there are two classes of solution  $\beta_i$ :

$$\beta_i = A_i(s + s_0)^2 - \frac{q_i^2}{4A_i}$$

or

$$\beta_i = \pm q_i(s + \sigma_i)$$

where  $A_i \neq 0$  and  $\sigma_i$  are constants. We note that the case  $\beta_i = -q_i(s + \sigma_i)$  corresponds to the metric  $\bar{g}$  being Kähler with respect to the complex structure. Hence the rigidity result of Case-Shu-Wei rules out having any solutions of this form (in fact choosing  $\beta_i$  of this form leads to inconsistency).

If we input  $\beta_i = A_i(s + s_0)^2 - \frac{q_i^2}{4A_i}$  into (2.8) we see that

$$\alpha' + \alpha \left( (\log V)' + m(\log \phi)' - \frac{1}{(s + s_0)} \right) = \frac{\epsilon}{2}(s + \kappa_0) + \frac{E^*}{(s + \kappa_0)}$$

where

$$E^* := \frac{8A_i p_i - \epsilon q_i^2}{8A_i^2}.$$

Comparing with equation (2.11) we see that solutions are consistent providing  $\kappa_0 = s_0$  and

$$\frac{\mu}{\kappa_1^2} = E^* = \frac{8A_i p_i - \epsilon q_i^2}{8A_i^2}.$$

Solving gives

$$\alpha(s) = V^{-1}(s + \kappa_0)^{1-m} \int_0^s V(s + \kappa_0)^{m-2} \left( E^* + \frac{\epsilon}{2}(s + \kappa_0)^2 \right) ds. \quad (2.12)$$

**2.2. Compactifying  $M_0$ .** We recall that  $V_1 = \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^{n_1}$  and we are adding in the manifold  $V_2 \times \dots \times V_r$  at the point  $s = 0$ . We refer the reader to the discussion immediately after equation (4.17) in [9]. In a nutshell, in order for the metric to extend smoothly we require that

$$\alpha(0) = 0, \alpha'(0) = 2, \beta_1(0) = 0 \text{ and } \beta_1'(0) = 1.$$

As we are using  $\beta_1(s) = A_1(s + \kappa_0)^2 - \frac{q_1^2}{4A_1}$  we must have  $A_1 = \frac{1}{2\kappa_0}$  and  $|q_1| = 1$ . We also have normalised so that  $p_1 = n_1 + 1$  hence the consistency conditions become

$$E^* = \frac{\mu}{\kappa_1^2} = \frac{\kappa_0}{2}(4(n_1 + 1) - \epsilon\kappa_0) = \frac{8A_i p_i - \epsilon q_i^2}{8A_i^2} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq r.$$

**2.3. Steady quasi-Einstein metrics.** In this case  $\epsilon = 0$ . Setting  $V_1 = \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^{n_r}$  and compactifying we obtain a  $\mathbb{C}^{n_1+1}$ -vector bundle over  $V_2 \times \dots \times V_r$ . In order that  $\beta_i(0) > 0$  on  $I = [0, \infty)$  we must have  $A_i > 0$  and

$$E^* = \frac{\mu}{\kappa_1^2} = \frac{\kappa_0}{2}(4(n_1 + 1)) = \frac{p_i}{A_i} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq r.$$

Hence  $A_i = \frac{p_i}{E^*}$  and

$$\beta_i(s) = \frac{p_i}{E^*}(s + \kappa_0)^2 - \frac{E^* q_i^2}{4p_i}.$$

It is clear that in order for  $\beta_i(0) > 0$  we must have

$$(n_1 + 1)|q_i| < p_i \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq r.$$

In order to ensure the metrics are complete it is sufficient to check that the integral

$$t = \int_0^s \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\alpha(x)}} \quad (2.13)$$

diverges as  $s \rightarrow \infty$  (this says that geodesics cannot reach the boundary at infinity and have finite length). If we compute the function  $\alpha(s)$  we see that

it is asymptotic to a positive constant  $K$ . Hence the above integral diverges and we obtain a complete quasi-Einstein metric for all  $m > 1$  generalising the non-Kähler, Ricci-flat ones constructed in [20]. Choosing a different value of  $E^*$  simply varies the metric by homothety.

**2.4. Expanding quasi-Einstein metrics.** Here we take  $\epsilon = 1$  to factor out homothety. Again the manifolds in question are  $\mathbb{C}^{n_1+1}$ -vector bundles over  $V_2 \times \dots \times V_r$ . Here the consistency conditions become

$$E^* = \frac{\mu}{\kappa_1^2} = \frac{\kappa_0}{2}(4(n_1 + 1) - \kappa_0) = \frac{8A_i p_i - q_i^2}{8A_i^2} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq r.$$

If  $|q_i|(n_1 + 1) \leq p_i$  then we choose  $0 < E^* < 2(n_1 + 1)^2$ ,

$$\kappa_0 = 2(n_1 + 1) + 2\sqrt{(n_1 + 1)^2 - \frac{E^*}{2}}$$

and

$$A_i = \frac{1}{2E^*} \left( p_i + \sqrt{p_i^2 - \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2}} \right).$$

In order that  $\beta_i(0) > 0$  we require  $2\kappa_0 A_i > |q_i|$  for  $2 \leq i \leq r$ . This can be seen as

$$2 \left( 2(n_1 + 1) + 2\sqrt{(n_1 + 1)^2 - \frac{E^*}{2}} \right) \frac{1}{2E^*} \left( p_i + \sqrt{p_i^2 - \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2}} \right) > \frac{2(n_1 + 1)p_i}{E^*} > |q_i|.$$

In the case that  $|q_i|(n_1 + 1) < p_i$  we note also that

$$\left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2p_i^2}} \right) > \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 - \frac{E^*}{2(n_1 + 1)^2}} \right),$$

hence,

$$2 \left( 2(n_1 + 1) - 2\sqrt{(n_1 + 1)^2 - \frac{E^*}{2}} \right) \frac{1}{2E^*} \left( p_i + \sqrt{p_i^2 - \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2}} \right) > \frac{4p_i(n_1 + 1)}{2E^*} \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{E^*}{2(n_1 + 1)^2}} \right) \left( 1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{E^*}{2(n_1 + 1)^2}} \right) = \frac{p_i}{(n_1 + 1)} > |q_i|.$$

Therefore if we have the strict inequality  $|q_i|(n_1 + 1) < p_i$  then we can also choose

$$\kappa_0 = 2(n_1 + 1) - 2\sqrt{(n_1 + 1)^2 - \frac{E^*}{2}}.$$

If  $|q_i|(n_1 + 1) > p_i$  then we can choose  $0 < E^* < 2(n_1 + 1)^2 \min(p_2^2/q_2^2, \dots, p_r^2/q_r^2)$ . If we also choose

$$\kappa_0 = 2(n_1 + 1) + 2\sqrt{(n_1 + 1)^2 - \frac{E^*}{2}}$$

and

$$A_i = \frac{1}{2E^*} p_i + \sqrt{p_i^2 - \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2}},$$

then  $\beta_i(0) > 0$ . We can also choose  $E^* < 0$  in this case. Completeness follows as  $\alpha(s)$  is asymptotic to  $Ks^2$  for a positive constant  $K$  and so the integral (2.13) diverges. Hence we find complete, quasi-Einstein analogues of the non-Kahler, Einstein metrics constructed in [20].

**2.5. Shrinking quasi-Einstein metrics.** In order to factor out homothety we take  $\epsilon = -1$  and so the consistency conditions are

$$\frac{\mu}{\kappa_1^2} = \frac{\kappa_0}{2} (4(n_1 + 1) + \kappa_0) = \frac{8A_i p_i + q_i^2}{8A_i^2} \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq r.$$

We split the discussion into the compact case and the non-compact, complete case. For the compact case we consider  $I$  to be the finite interval  $[0, s_*]$ . We set  $V_r = \mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^{n_r}$  and at the point  $s = s_*$  we add in the manifold  $V_1 \times \dots \times V_{r-1}$ . For the metric to extend smoothly we require that  $q_r = 1, p_r = n_r + 1$  and  $-1 = 2A_r(s_* + \kappa_0)$ . Putting these into the consistency conditions we see that

$$\kappa_0(4(n_1 + 1) + \kappa_0) = (s_* + \kappa_0)^2 - 4(n_r + 1)(s_* + \kappa_0)$$

and hence

$$s_* = \sqrt{\kappa_0(4(n_1 + 1) + \kappa_0) + 4(n_r + 1)^2} - \kappa_0 + 2(n_r + 1).$$

We note that if  $n_1 = n_r$  then  $s_* = 4(n_1 + 1)$ . For the time being we note that  $s_* = s_*(E^*)$  and  $\beta_i$  is completely determined by  $E^*$  once we have chosen the value of  $q_i^2$  and the sign of  $A_i$ . The value  $A_i$  is given by

$$A_i = \frac{1}{2E^*} \left( p_i + \chi_i \sqrt{p_i^2 + \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2}} \right)$$

where  $\chi_i = 1$  if  $A_i > 0$  and  $\chi_i = -1$  if  $A_i < 0$ . In order to have a quasi-Einstein metric we must be able choose a value of  $E^* > 0$  such that the integral

$$\int_0^{s_*(E^*)} \prod_{i=0}^{i=r} \left[ \left( (s + \kappa_0)^2 - \frac{q_i^2}{4A_i^2} \right)^{n_i} \right] (s + \kappa_0)^{m-2} \left( E^* - \frac{1}{2}(s + \kappa_0)^2 \right) ds = 0.$$

Changing coordinates to

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(s + \kappa_0) - \left( (n_1 + 1)^2 + \frac{E^*}{2} \right)^{1/2},$$

then the above integral becomes (ignoring constants)

$$F(E^*) = \int_{-(n_1+1)}^{x_*(E^*)} \prod_{i=0}^{i=r} P_i(x) \left( x + \left( (n_1+1)^2 + \frac{E^*}{2} \right)^{1/2} \right)^{m-2} \left( x^2 + 2x \left( (n_1+1)^2 + \frac{E^*}{2} \right)^{1/2} + (n_1+1)^2 \right) ds$$



where

$$P_i(x) = \left( x^2 + 2x((n_1 + 1)^2 + \frac{E^*}{2})^{1/2} + (n_1 + 1)^2 + \frac{2p_i(\chi_i \sqrt{p_i^2 + \frac{E^* q_i^2}{2}} - p_i)}{q_i^2} \right)^{n_i}$$

and

$$x_*(E^*) = (n_r + 1) + \left(\frac{E^*}{2} + (n_r + 1)^2\right)^{1/2} - \left(\frac{E^*}{2} + (n_1 + 1)^2\right)^{1/2}.$$

We will compute the limit  $\lim_{E^* \downarrow 0} F(E^*)$  and the limit  $\lim_{E^* \rightarrow \infty} F(E^*)$ .

We begin with 0. We note that as  $m > 1$  the function  $f(x) = (x + (n_1 + 1))^{m-2}$  is integrable on  $[-(n_1 + 1), x(E^*)]$  so by the dominated convergence theorem we can evaluate the integral of the limit. This is given by

$$S \int_{-(n_1+1)}^{2(n_r+1)-(n_1+1)} \prod_{\chi_i=-1} [x + (n_1 + 1)]^{2n_i} \prod_{\chi_j=1} \left[ \frac{4p_j^2}{q_j^2} - (x + (n_1 + 1))^2 \right]^{n_j} (x + (n_1 + 1))^m dx,$$

where

$$S = (-1)^{\sum_{\chi_i=-1} n_i}.$$

The hypothesis on the  $p_i$  and  $q_i$  mean that the sign of  $\lim_{E^* \downarrow 0} F(E^*)$  is that of  $S$ .

For  $E^* \rightarrow \infty$  we consider

$$\lim_{E^* \rightarrow \infty} F(E^*) (E^*)^{\frac{1}{2}(1-m-\sum_{\chi_i=-1} n_i)} = K (-1)^{\sum_{\chi_i=-1} n_i} \int_{-(n_1+1)}^{(n_r+1)} \prod_{i=1}^{i=r} \left[ \chi_i x + \frac{p_i}{|q_i|} \right]^{n_i} x dx,$$

where  $K$  is a positive constant. Hence if we can choose  $\chi_i$  so that

$$\int_{-(n_1+1)}^{(n_r+1)} \prod_{i=1}^{i=r} \left[ \chi_i x + \frac{p_i}{|q_i|} \right]^{n_i} x dx < 0,$$

we can find an  $E^* > 0$  such that  $\alpha(s_*) = 0$ . A discussion similar to that in [9] and [20] shows that this is enough to ensure we have smooth quasi-Einstein metrics.

### 3. EXAMPLES AND FUTURE WORK

We end with an example of theorem 1.3, some discussion of the geometry of the quasi-Einstein metrics constructed and a discussion of possible sources future compact examples.

**3.1. An example.** We consider an example that is also considered in [9]. They consider a  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ -bundle over  $\mathbb{CP}^2 \times \mathbb{CP}^2$ . In theorem 1.3 this corresponds to taking  $r = 4, n_1 = n_4 = 0, n_2 = n_3 = 2$  and  $p_2 = p_3 = 3$ . Hence to apply the theorem we must consider  $|q_2|, |q_3| < 3$ . They take  $(q_2, q_3) = (1, -2)$ . The Futaki invariant is given by

$$\int_{-1}^1 (3-x)^2 \left(\frac{3}{2} + x\right)^2 x dx$$

which they calculate is 7.8. This means that

$$\int_{-1}^1 (3+x)^2 \left(\frac{3}{2} - x\right)^2 x dx = -7.8 < 0$$

and we have non-trivial quasi-Einstein metrics on this space for all  $m > 1$ .

**3.2. Remarks on the geometry of the quasi-Einstein metrics.** In [9] section 4, the authors comment on the geometry at infinity of their examples of steady and expanding gradient Kähler-Ricci solitons. In particular they conclude that their steady examples are asymptotically parabolic and that the expanding examples are asymptotically conical. We recall that the examples of steady quasi-Einstein metrics constructed in theorem 1.2 have  $\alpha(s) \sim K$  for some positive constant  $K$  and so the following asymptotic behaviour holds (ignoring multiplicative constants)

$$f(t) = O(1) \text{ and } g_i(t) \sim t.$$

In the expanding case we recall that  $\alpha(s) \sim Ks^2$  and so we have

$$f(t) \sim e^t \text{ and } g_i(t) \sim e^t.$$

**3.3. Future families.** The space  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2 \sharp \overline{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2}$  fits into the framework of theorem 1.3 as a non-trivial  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1$ -bundle over  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^1$ . On this space there is the Page metric, the Koiso-Cao soliton and the quasi-Einstein metrics of theorem 3 (originally due to Lü-Page-Pope). The space  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2 \sharp 2\overline{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2}$  also admits a non-Kähler, Einstein metric due to Chen, LeBrun and Weber [8] and a Kähler-Ricci soliton due to Wang and Zhu [21]. It would seem reasonable that there should be a family of quasi-Einstein analogues to these metrics. The metrics on  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2 \sharp 2\overline{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2}$  are not cohomogeneity-one but do have an isometric action by  $\mathbb{T}^2$ . One observation is that the Lü-Page-Pope quasi-Einstein metrics are conformally Kähler (as any  $U(2)$ -invariant metric on  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2 \sharp \overline{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2}$  is). The Chen-LeBrun-Weber metric is also conformally Kähler (a fact originally proved by Derdzinski [10]) and so one might hope that the same would be true for analogues of the Lü-Page-Pope metrics on  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2 \sharp 2\overline{\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^2}$ . Both the Page and Chen-LeBrun-Weber metrics are conformal to extremal Kähler metrics which satisfy a PDE that ‘occurs naturally’ in Kähler geometry. It would be an interesting first step to try and find an analogous PDE/ODE for the Kähler metrics that are conformal to the Lü-Page-Pope metrics. The author hopes to take up the existence questions in a future work.

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