

Performing a Taylor expansion around  $t = 0$ , we have shown that

$$\begin{aligned} g(\beta, \beta)(t\alpha) &= g_0(\beta, \beta) + \frac{t^2}{3}g_0(R_\alpha(\beta), \beta) + \frac{t^3}{6}g_0(D_t R_\alpha(\beta), \beta) \\ &\quad + \frac{t^4}{20}g_0(D_t^2 R_\alpha(\beta), \beta) + \frac{2t^4}{45}g_0(R_\alpha(\beta), R_\alpha(\beta)). \end{aligned} \quad (4.22)$$

We let  $\alpha = (x^i/t)\partial_i$ , and  $\beta = \beta^j\partial_j$ . The first term on the right hand side of (4.22) is simply

$$g_0(\beta, \beta) = \delta_{ij}\beta^i\beta^j. \quad (4.23)$$

The second term on the right hand side of (4.22) is

$$\frac{t^2}{3}g_0(R_\alpha(\beta), \beta) = \frac{t^2}{3}g_0(R(\alpha, \beta)\alpha, \beta) \quad (4.24)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}g_0(R(x^k\partial_k, \beta^i\partial_i)x^l\partial_l, \beta^j\partial_j) \quad (4.25)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}x^k x^l R_{kil}{}^m \delta_{mj} \beta^i \beta^j \quad (4.26)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}R_{kijl}x^k x^l \beta^i \beta^j \quad (4.27)$$

Also, since the Christoffel symbols vanish at  $p$ , covariant derivatives are just ordinary partial derivatives. We also have that  $\partial_t = (x^i/t)\partial_i$ . The third term on the right hand side of (4.22) is

$$\frac{t^3}{6}g_0(D_t R_\alpha(\beta), \beta) = \frac{t^3}{6}g_0(\partial_t R(\alpha, \beta)\alpha, \beta) \quad (4.28)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}g_0(x^m\partial_m R(x^k\partial_k, \beta^i\partial_i)x^l\partial_l, \beta^j\partial_j) \quad (4.29)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}\nabla_m R_{kil}{}^p \delta_{pj} x^m k^k x^l \beta^i \beta^j \quad (4.30)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}\nabla_m R_{kijl}x^m k^k x^l \beta^i \beta^j \quad (4.31)$$