

HYPERSURFACES OF PROJECTIVE β -CHANGES

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In 1984 C. Shibata investigated the theory of a change which is called a β -change of Finsler metric [10]. On the other hand, in 1985 a systematic study of geometry of hypersurfaces in Finsler spaces was given by M. Matsumoto [6]. In § 1, according to Shibata [10] we shall prepare the terminology and notations for the sake of argument. In § 2, we derive a condition for a β -change to be projective [10]. In § 3, we find that a totally geodesic hypersurface F^{n-1} remains to be a totally geodesic hypersurface \bar{F}^{n-1} under the projective β -change. In the last section, we get the main result that Finslerian hypersurfaces given by the projective β -change are projectively flat on condition the original Finsler space is projectively flat.

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1. PRELIMINARIES

Let M^n be an n -dimensional differentiable manifold and $F^n = (M^n, L)$ be a Finsler space equipped with a fundamental function $L(x, y)(y^i = \dot{x}^i)$ on M^n . For a differential one-form $\beta(x, dx) = b_i(x)dx^i$ on M^n , we shall deal with a change of Finsler metric which is defined by $L(x, y) \rightarrow \bar{L}(x, y) = f(L(x, y), \beta(x, y))$, where $f(L, \beta)$ is a positively homogeneous function of L and β of degree one. This is called a β -change of the metric.

In this section we shall use the following notations [10]:

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 (= f_L) &:= \partial f / \partial L, & f_2 (= f_\beta) &:= \partial f / \partial \beta, \\ f_{11} (= f_{LL}) &:= \partial^2 f / \partial L \partial L, & f_{12} (= f_{L\beta}) &:= \partial^2 f / \partial L \partial \beta, \\ && &\text{etcetera.} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\bar{L} = f$ is a positively homogeneous function of L and β of degree one, we have

$$f = f_1 L + f_2 \beta, \quad Lf_{12} + \beta f_{22} = 0, \quad Lf_{11} + \beta f_{12} = 0. \quad (0.1)$$

For the later use we put

$$p = ff_1/L, \quad q = ff_2, \quad q_0 = ff_{22} \quad (0.2)$$

Paying attention to $l_i = \hat{\partial}_i L$, from (1.1) we have

$$\bar{l}_i = f_1 l_i - f_2 b_i \quad (0.3)$$

Differentiating this by y^j , we have the angular metric tensor $\bar{h}_{ij} = \bar{L} \hat{\partial}_i \hat{\partial}_j \bar{L}$ on \bar{F}^n :

$$\bar{h}_{ij} = ph_{ij} - q_0 m_i m_j \quad (0.4)$$

where the covariant vector m_i is defined by

$$m_i = b_i - y_i/L \quad (1.4_1)$$

It is noted that m_i is a non-zero vector orthogonal to y^i . In fact $m_i = 0$ gives $L^2 b_i - \beta y_i = 0$. We differentiate this by y^j and get $\beta g_{ij} - 2Ll_j b_i + b_j y_i = 0$, which leads to a contradiction $g_{ij} - l_i l_j = 0$.

Now, from (1.1), (1.3), (1.4) and (1.4) 1) the fundamental tensor $\bar{g}_{ij} = \hat{\partial}_i \hat{\partial}_j (\bar{L}^2/2)$ of \bar{F}^n is given by

$$\bar{g}_{ij} = pg_{ij} - p_0 b_i b_j - p_1 (b_i y_j - b_j y_i) - p_2 y_i y_j, \quad (0.5)$$

where we put

$$\begin{aligned} p_0 &= q_0 - f_2^2, \\ q_1 &= ff_{12}/L, & p_1 &= q_1 - pf_2/f, \\ q_2 &= f - f_{11} - f_1/L - f_1^2/L^2, & p_2 &= q_2 - p^2/f^2. \end{aligned} \quad (1.5_1)$$

The reciprocal tensor \bar{g}^{ij} of \bar{g}_{ij} can be written as

$$\bar{g}^{ij} = (1/p)g^{ij} - s_0 b^i b^j - s_1 (b^i y^j - b^j y^i) - s_2 y^i y^j, \quad (0.6)$$

where we put

$$\begin{aligned}
b^i &= g^{ij} b_j, & b^2 &= g^{ij} b_i b_j, & &= b^2 \quad {}^2/L^2, \\
s_0 &= \bar{L}^2 q_0 / p L^2, & s_1 &= p_1 \bar{L}^2 / p L^2, \\
s_2 &= p_1 p L^2 b^2 \bar{L}^2 / p L^2, & &= \bar{L}^2 p \quad q_0 / L^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.6}$$

From the homogeneity it follows that these quantities satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
q_0 \quad q_1 L^2 &= 0, & q_1 \quad q_2 L^2 &= p, \\
p_0 \quad p_1 L^2 &= q, & q \quad p L^2 &= f^2, \\
p_1 \quad p_2 L^2 &= 0, & s_0 \quad s_1 L^2 &= q / , \\
s_1 b^2 \quad s_2 &= p_1 / .
\end{aligned} \tag{0.7}$$

We denote by the symbol $(\bar{\cdot})$ the h -covariant differentiation with respect to the Cartan connection $CG = (F_{j\ k}^i, N^i_j, C_{j\ k}^i)$ and put

$$2E_{jk} = b_{jk} \quad b_{kl}, \tag{0.8}$$

$$(1.8) \quad 2E_{jk} = b_{jk} + b_{k|j}, \quad 2F_{jk} = b_{jk} - b_{k|j}.$$

Now we deal with well-known functions $G^i(x, y)$ which are $(2)p$ -homogeneous in y^i and are written as $G^i = \gamma_{j\ k}^i y^j y^k / 2$, by putting $\gamma_{j\ k}^i = g^{ir} (\partial_k g_{jr} + \partial_j g_{kr} - \partial_r g_{jk}) / 2$.

Owing to (1.5) and (1.6), a straightforward calculation leads to

$$(1.9) \quad \bar{G}^i(x, y) := (\bar{\gamma}_{j\ k}^i y^j y^k) / 2 = G^i + D^i,$$

where the vector D^i is given by

$$(1.9) \quad 1) \quad D^i = (q/p) F^{i_0} + (pE_{00} - 2qF_{r_0} b^r) (s_{-1} y^i + s_0 b^i) / 2,$$

$F^i_j = g^{ir} F_{rj}$, and the subscript 0 (excluding s_0) means the contraction by y^i .

2. RELATION BETWEEN PROJECTIVE CHANGE AND $\bar{\cdot}$ -CHANGE

For two Finsler spaces $F^n = (M^n, L)$ and $\bar{F}^n = (M^n, \bar{L})$, if any geodesic on F^n is also a geodesic on \bar{F}^n and the inverse is true, the change $L \rightarrow \bar{L}$ of the metric is called *projective*. A geodesic on F^n is given by a system of differential equations

$$dy^i/dt \quad 2G^i(x, y) = y^i, \quad y^i = dx^i/dt, \tag{1.1}$$

where $\tau = (d^2s/dt^2)/(ds/dt)$, $G^i(x, y)$ are (2) p -homogeneous functions in y^i . We are now in a position to find a condition for a β -change to be projective. For this purpose we deal with Euler-Lagrange equations $B_i = 0$, where B_i is defined by $B_i = \partial_i L - d(\dot{\partial}_i L)/dt$. From (1.1) and (1.2), we have $Ldf_1/dt + \beta df_2/dt = 0$, so that the Euler-Lagrange differential equations $\bar{B}_i = 0$ for \bar{F}^n are given by $\bar{B}_i = f_1 B_i + 2f_2 F_{0i} - m_i df_2/dt = 0$.

In virtue of (1.2) and (1.4) 1), \bar{B}_i are written as

$$f\bar{B}_i = pLB_i - q_0LB_r m^r m_i - A_i, \quad (1.2)$$

where the covariant vector A_i is defined by

$$A_i = 2qF_{0i} - q_0E_{00}m_i. \quad (1.3)$$

From (2.2) we get

Proposition 2.1[10]. *A β -change $L \rightarrow \bar{L} = f(L, \beta)$ of the metric is projective if and only if the covariant vector A_i in (2.3) vanishes identically.*

Proof. Since $B_i = 0$ (resp. $\bar{B}_i = 0$) are equations of a geodesic on F^n (resp. \bar{F}^n), we immediately obtain $A_i = 0$ if a β -change is projective. Conversely if $A_i = 0$ holds, then (2.2) shows that $B_i = 0$ lead to $\bar{B}_i = 0$. On the other hand, we observe from (2.2) and $A_i = 0$ that $\bar{B}_i = 0$ give $pLB_i + q_0LB_r m^r m_i = 0$. Contracting this by m^i and referring to $m^2 = \nu$, $pL + \nu q_0L \neq 0$, we get $B_r m^r = 0$, so that $B_i = 0$ hold. Consequently any geodesic remains to be a geodesic by a β -change.

3. HYPERSURFACES GIVEN BY A PROJECTIVE β -CHANGE

Hereafter, we assume that metrics L^2 and \bar{L}^2 are positive-definite respectively and we consider hypersurfaces. For their theory we refer to [2]-[4], [6], [9]-[13]. According to [6], a hypersurface M^{n-1} of the underlying smooth manifold M^n may be parametrically represented by the equation $x^i = x^i(u^\alpha)$, where u^α are Gaussian coordinates on M^{n-1} and Greek indices run from 1 to

$n-1$. Here, we shall assume that the matrix consisting of the projection factors $B_\alpha^i = \partial x^i / \partial u^\alpha$ is of rank $n-1$. The following notations are also employed : $B_{\alpha\beta}^i := \partial^2 x^i / \partial u^\alpha \partial u^\beta$, $B_{\bar{0}\beta}^i := v^\alpha B_{\alpha\beta}^i$, $B^{ij\dots}_{\alpha\beta\dots} := B_\alpha^i B_\beta^j \dots$. If the supporting element y^i at a point (u^α) of M^{n-1} is assumed to be tangential to M^{n-1} , then we may write $y^i = B_\alpha^i(u)v^\alpha$, so that v^α is thought of as the supporting element of M^{n-1} at the point (u^α) . Since the function $\underline{L}(u, v) := L(x(u), y(u, v))$ gives rise to a Finsler metric of M^{n-1} , we get an $(n-1)$ -dimensional Finsler space $F^{n-1} = (M^{n-1}, \underline{L}(u, v))$.

At each point (u^α) of F^{n-1} , the unit normal vector $N^i(u, v)$ is defined by

$$g_{ij} B^i N^j = 0, \quad g_{ij} N^i N^j = 1. \quad (2.1)$$

If (B_α^i, N_i) is the inverse matrix of (B_α^i, N^i) , we have

$$B^i B_i = \delta^i_i, \quad B^i N_i = 0, \quad N^i B_i = 0, \quad N^i N_i = 1, \quad (2.2)$$

and further

$$B^i B_j \quad N^i N_j = \delta^i_j. \quad (2.3)$$

Making use of the inverse matrix $(g^{\alpha\beta})$ of $(g_{\alpha\beta})$, we get $B^\alpha_i = g^{\alpha\beta} g_{\beta j} B_\beta^j$, $N_i = g_{ij} N^j$.

For the induced Cartan connection $ICT\Gamma = (F_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha, N^\alpha_\beta, C^\alpha_{\beta\gamma})$ on F^{n-1} , the normal curvature vector H_α is given by

$$H : N_i (B_{\bar{0}\beta}^i \quad N^j B_\beta^j), \quad (2.4)$$

where $B_{\bar{0}\alpha}^i = B_{\beta\alpha}^i v^\beta$.

Let's introduce in $\bar{F}^n = (M^n, \bar{L})$ the Cartan connection $\bar{C}\bar{\Gamma}$. We now consider a Finslerian hypersurface $F^{n-1} = (M^{n-1}, \underline{L}(u, v))$ of F^n and another Finslerian hypersurface $\bar{F}^{n-1} = (M^{n-1}, \bar{\underline{L}}(u, v))$ of the \bar{F}^n given by the β -change. Let N^i be unit normal vector at each point of F^{n-1} , and (B_α^i, N_i) be the inverse matrix of (B_α^i, N^i) . The functions $B_\alpha^i(u)$ may be considered as components of $n-1$ linearly independent vectors tangent to F^{n-1} and they are invariant under the β -change. And so we shall show that unit normal vector $\bar{N}^i(u, v)$ of \bar{F}^{n-1} is

uniquely determined by

$$\bar{g}_{ij} B^i \bar{N}^j = 0, \quad \bar{g}_{ij} \bar{N}^i \bar{N}^j = 1. \quad (2.5)$$

The fundamental tensor $\bar{g}_{ij} = (\partial^2 \bar{L}^2 / \partial y^i \partial y^j) / 2$ of the Finsler space \bar{F}^n given by the β -change is as follows:

$$\bar{g}_{ij} = p g_{ij} - p_0 b_i b_j - p_{-1} (b_i y_j - b_j y_i) - p_{-2} y_i y_j,$$

Now contracting (3.1) by v^α , we immediately get

$$y_i N^i = 0. \quad (2.6)$$

Further contracting (1.5) by $N^i N^j$ and paying attention to (3.1), (3.5) and (3.6), we have

$$\bar{g}_{ij} N^i N^j = p - p_0 (b_i N^i)(b_j N^j). \quad (2.7)$$

Then we obtain

$$\bar{g}_{ij} N^i / \sqrt{p - p_0 (b_k N^k)^2} = N^j / \sqrt{p - p_0 b_k N^k{}^2} = 1, \quad (2.8)$$

provided $p + p_0 (b_k N^k)^2 > 0$.

Therefore we can put

$$\bar{N}^i = N^i / \sqrt{p - p_0 b_k N^k{}^2}, \quad (2.9)$$

where we have chosen the sign “+” in order to fix an orientation.

On using (1.5), (3.1), (3.6) and (3.9), the first condition of (3.5) gives us

$$b_i N^i - p_0 b_j B^j - p_{-1} y_j B^j = 0. \quad (2.10)$$

Now, assuming that $p_0 b_j B^j + p_{-1} y_j B^j = 0$ and contracting this by v^α , we find $p_0 \beta + p_{-1} L^2 = 0$. By (1.7) this equation leads us to $\bar{f} f_2 = 0$. Thus we have $f_2 = 0$ because of $f \neq 0$. This fact means $\bar{L} = f(L)$ and contradicts the definition of a β -change of the metric. So, (3.10) gives us

$$b_i N^i = 0. \quad (2.11)$$

Consequently (3.9) is rewritten as

$$\bar{N}^i = N^i / \sqrt{p} \quad (p > 0), \quad (2.12)$$

and then it is clear \bar{N}^i satisfies (3.5). Summarizing the above, we obtain

Proposition 3.1 [3]. *For a field of linear frame $(B_1^i, \dots, B_{n-1}^i, N^i)$ of F^n , there exists a field of linear frame $(B_1^i, \dots, B_{n-1}^i, \bar{N}^i)$ of the \bar{F}^n given by the β -change such that (3.5) is satisfied along \bar{F}^{n-1} , and then we get (3.11).*

The quantities \bar{B}^α_i are uniquely defined along \bar{F}^{n-1} by $\bar{B}^\alpha_i = \bar{g}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{g}_{ij} B_\beta^j$, where $(\bar{g}^{\alpha\beta})$ is the inverse matrix of $(\bar{g}_{\alpha\beta})$.

Let $(\bar{B}^\alpha_i, \bar{N}_i)$ be the inverse matrix of (B_α^i, \bar{N}^i) , and then we have

$$B^i \bar{B}_i = 1, \quad B^i \bar{N}_i = 0, \quad \bar{N}^i \bar{B}_i = 0, \quad \bar{N}^i \bar{N}_i = 1, \quad (2.13)$$

and further

$$B^i \bar{B}_j - \bar{N}^i \bar{N}_j = \delta^i_j. \quad (2.14)$$

We also get $\bar{N}_i = \bar{g}_{ij} \bar{N}^j$, that is,

$$\bar{N}_i = \sqrt{p} N_i. \quad (2.15)$$

We now assume that a β -change of the metric is projective.

Using (1.9), (1.9)1) and Proposition 2.1, we have

$$D^i := \bar{G}^i - G^i = y^i, \quad = qE_{00}/2\bar{L}^2. \quad (2.16)$$

Since $D_j^i := \partial_j D^i$ and $\partial_j G^i = N^i_j$, the above gives

$$D_j^i = \bar{N}^i_j - N^i_j = y^i_j - \delta^i_j. \quad (2.17)$$

Further contracting (3.17) by $N_i B_\alpha^j$, we get

$$N_i D_j^i B^j = 0. \quad (2.18)$$

If each geodesic of F^{n-1} with respect to the induced metric is also a geodesic of F^n , then F^{n-1} is called totally geodesic. A totally geodesic hypersurface F^{n-1} is characterized by $H_\alpha = 0$.

From (3.4), (3.15) and (3.17) we have

$$\bar{H} = \sqrt{p} H - N_i D_j^i B^j. \quad (2.19)$$

Thus from (3.18) we obtain $\bar{H}_\alpha = \sqrt{p} H_\alpha$. Hence we have

Theorem 3.1. *A hypersurface F^{n-1} of a Finsler space F^n ($n > 3$) is totally geodesic, if and only if the hypersurface \bar{F}^{n-1} of the space \bar{F}^n , obtained from F^n by a projective β -change, is totally geodesic.*

4. HYPERSURFACES OF PROJECTIVELY FLAT FINSLER SPACES

In this section, we shall consider a projective β -change and we are concerned with the Berwald connection $B\Gamma$ on $F^n = (M^n, L)$ and $B\bar{\Gamma}$ on $\bar{F}^n = (M^n, \bar{L})$. A projective change $L \rightarrow \bar{L}$ is defined as follows: If any geodesic on $F^n = (M^n, L)$ is also a geodesic on $\bar{F}^n = (M^n, \bar{L})$ and the inverse is true, the change $L \rightarrow \bar{L}$ of the metric is called projective. For details see [5],[7],[8].

In the theory of projective changes in Finsler spaces, we have two essential projective invariants, one is the Weyl torsion tensor W^h_{ij} and the other is the Douglas tensor D^h_{ijk} , so that under the projective β -change, we get $\bar{W}^h_{ij} = W^h_{ij}$ and $\bar{D}^h_{ijk} = D^h_{ijk}$.

Now we are concerned with a projectively flat Finsler space defined as follows: If there exists a projective change $L \rightarrow \bar{L}$ of a Finsler space $F^n = (M^n, L)$ such that the Finsler space $\bar{F}^n = (M^n, \bar{L})$ is a locally Minkowski space, F^n is called projectively flat. We have already known the following.

Theorem A [4]. *A Finsler space F^n ($n > 2$) is projectively flat, if and only if $W^h_{ij} = 0$ and $D^h_{ijk} = 0$.*

Theorem B [11]. *If the Finsler space F^n ($n > 3$) is projectively flat, then the totally geodesic hypersurface F^{n-1} is also projectively flat.*

Thus from Theorem 3.1, Theorem A and Theorem B, we have

Theorem 4.1. *Let F^n ($n > 3$) be a projectively flat Finsler space. If the hypersurface F^{n-1} is totally geodesic, then the hypersurface \bar{F}^{n-1} of the space \bar{F}^n , obtained from F^n by a projective β -change, is projectively flat.*

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