

CUBIC TRANSFORMATIONS OF FINSLER SPACES AND n FUNDAMENTAL FORMS OF THEIR HYPERSURFACES

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If $L(x, y)$ is the metric function of a Finsler space $F^n = (M^n, L)$ and β is a one-form $b_i(x) y^i$ in F^n , then the transformation $L \rightarrow L^* = f(L, \beta)$ known as β -change has been introduced by Shibata⁹. In the present paper we consider a particular case of β changes known as cubic transformation given by $L \rightarrow L^* = (L^3 + \beta^3)^{1/3}$. The relation between n fundamental forms of tangent Riemannian hypersurface of (M^n, L) and (M^n, L^*) has been obtained.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $F^n = (M^n, L)$ be an n dimensional Finsler space with fundamental metric function $L(x, y)$. In general $L(x, y)$ is a function of point $x (= x^i)$ and element of support $y (= y^i)$ and positively homogeneous of degree one in y . Let (M^n, L') and (M^n, L'') be Finsler spaces whose metric functions $L'(x, y)$ and $L''(x, y)$ are obtained from L by the relations

$$L' = L + \beta \quad \dots(1.1)$$

$$L'' = L^2 + \beta^2 \quad \dots(1.2)$$

where $\beta = b_i y^i$, $b_i(x)$ is a component of a covariant vector which is a function of position alone. These two transformations have been introduced by Matsumoto¹ which have the geometrical properties stated therein. Generalizing these transformations, Chibata⁹ has studied the properties of Finsler space (M^n, L^*) whose metric function $L^*(x, y)$ is obtained from L by the relation $L^*(x, y) = f(L, \beta)$, where f is positively homogeneous of degree one in L and β . This change of metric function is called a β -change. A particular case of β -changes is a cubic transformation of metric function given by

$$L^{*3} = L^3 + \beta^3. \quad \dots(1.3)$$

The n fundamental forms of a Riemannian hypersurface of a Riemannian space have been defined and their properties have been studied by Rund^{7,8}. Prasad⁵ has obtained the relation in n fundamental forms of tangent Riemannian hypersurfaces of (M^n, L) and (M^n, L') whose metric functions are related by (1.1). He⁶ also obtained the relation in n fundamental forms of tangent Riemannian hypersurfaces of (M^n, L) and (M^n, L'') whose metric functions are related by (1.2). In this paper we shall obtain the relation in n fundamental forms of tangent Riemannian hypersurfaces of $F^n = (M^n, L)$ and $F^{*n} = (M^n, L^*)$ whose metric functions are related by (1.3).

2. THE RELATION BETWEEN ν -CURVATURE TENSORS OF F^n AND F^{*n}

Throughout this paper the quantities corresponding to the Finsler space F^{*n} will be written by putting '*'. For the cubic transformation (1.3) the relation between the angular metric tensors h_{ij} and h_{ij}^* of F^n and F^{*n} will be given by

$$h_{ij}^* = p h_{ij} + 2pq m_i m_j \tag{2.1}$$

where $p = L L^{*-1}$, $q = \beta L^{*-1}$, $m_i = q l_i - p b_i$ and $l_i = \partial_i L$. Thus the metric tensor g_{ij}^* of F^{*n} and its reciprocal g^{*ij} are given by

$$g_{ij}^* = p g_{ij} + p q^3 l_i l_j - p^2 q^2 (l_i b_j + l_j b_i) + q (l + p^3) b_i b_j \tag{2.2}$$

$$g^{*ij} = p^{-1} g^{ij} - p q^3 \lambda (p + q b^2) l^i l^j + q^2 \lambda (l^i b^j + l^j b^i) - 2 p q \lambda b^i b^j \tag{2.3}$$

where we put

$$b^i = g^{ij} b_j, l^i = g^{ij} l_j, b^2 = g^{ij} b_i b_j,$$

$$\lambda^{-1} = p^3 - q^3 + 2 p^2 q b^2.$$

The differentiation of (2.2) with respect to y^k gives the (h) $h\nu$ -torsion tensor $C_{ij,k}^* = (\partial_{y^k} g_{ij}^* / \partial y^k) / 2$ of F^{*n} :

$$C_{ij,k}^* = p C_{ijk} + p q^2 (h_{ij} m_k + h_{ik} m_j + h_{jk} m_i) / 2L - (2 p^3 - 1) (p/L) m_i m_j m_k. \tag{2.4}$$

Paying attention to $m_i y^i = 0, h_{ij} y^i = 0, C_{ijk} y^i = 0$, we obtain

$$C_{ij}^{*h} = C_{ijk}^* g^{*hk} = C_{ij}^h + (q^3 / 2L) (h_i^h m_j + h_j^h m_i)$$

(equation continued on p. 244)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ pq \lambda (ql^h - 2pb^h) C_{ij} + p^2 q^3 (p + qb^3) (\lambda/2L) h_{ij} l^h \\
 &- (pq^2 \lambda/2L) h_{ij} b^h - (q\lambda/L) [p^2 (2p^3 - 1) (p + qb^3) \\
 &+ q^3] m_i m_j l^h + (p\lambda/L) m_i m_j b^h \quad \dots(2.5)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$C_{ij} = C_{tjk} b^k.$$

We shall now find the ν -curvature tensor S_{hijk}^* which is given by $S_{hijk}^* = C_{ij}^{*m} C_{hkm}^* - C_{ik}^{*m} C_{hjm}^*$. By the use of (2.4) and (2.5) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{hijk}^* &= p S_{hijk} + C_{ij} d_{hk} + C_{hk} d_{ij} - C_{ik} d_{hj} - C_{hj} d_{ik} \\
 &+ h_{ij} E_{hk} + h_{hk} E_{ij} - h_{ik} E_{hj} - h_{hj} E_{ik} \quad \dots(2.6)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$d_{hk} = (p^2 \lambda/L) m_h m_k - pq^3 C_{hk} - (p^2 q^2 \lambda/4L) h_{hk} \quad \dots(2.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{hk} &= (pq^2 \lambda/4L^2) [q^2 (2p^3 + 1) - 2p^5 b^2] m_h m_k \\
 &- (pq^4 \lambda/8L^2) (q^2 - p^2 b^2) h_{hk} - (p^2 q^2 \lambda/4L) C_{hk}. \quad \dots(2.8)
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark : It is to be noted that if $L(x, y)$ is the metric function of a Riemannian space i.e. $L(x, y) = ((a_{ij}(x) y^i y^j)^{1/2} = \alpha$ then $L^*(x, y) = (\alpha^3 + \beta^3)^{1/3}$. Thus F^{*n} is a Finsler space with an (α, β) metric. It is known that a Finsler space with an α, β -metric is semi- C -reducible⁴. In order to clarify this fact in this case, calculating from (2.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{ijk}^* &= U (h_{ij}^* C_k^* + h_{jk}^* C_i^* + h_{ik}^* C_j^*) / (n + 1) \\
 &+ VC_i^* C_j^* C_k^* / C^{*2} \quad \dots(2.9)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$U = (n + 1) q^2 A/2L, V = -(1 + q^3) C^{*2} A^3/L^*, C^{*2} = g^{*ij} C_i^* C_j^*,$$

and

$$A = 2L / \{(n + 3 \lambda) q^2 - 2p^2 b^2 \lambda\}.$$

3. HYPERSURFACE OF (M^n, L)

Let (M^{n-1}, L) be a hypersurface of (M^n, L) given by the equation

$$x^i = x^i(u^\alpha). \quad \dots(3.1)$$

Let us suppose that the functions (3.1) are at least of class C^3 in u^α and the projection

factors $B^j_\alpha = \partial x^j / \partial u^\alpha$ are such that their matrix has maximal rank $n - 1$. The fundamental metric function $L(u, v)$ of the hypersurface is given by

$$L(u^\alpha, v^\alpha) = L(x^i(u^\alpha), B^j_\alpha v^\alpha)$$

where v^α is the element of support for the hypersurface for which

$$y^i = B^j_\alpha v^\alpha. \tag{3.2}$$

Thus if l^α denote the normalized vector along the element of support then $l^i = B^i_\alpha l^\alpha$. If $g_{hj}(x, y)$ denote the metric tensor of (M^n, L) , the induced metric tensor of (M^{n-1}, L) is given by

$$g_{\alpha\beta}(u, v) = g_{hj}(x, y) B^h_\alpha B^j_\beta. \tag{3.3}$$

The inverse of (3.3) is denoted by $g^{\alpha\beta}(u, v)$ by means of which we define the quantities

$$B^\alpha_i(u, v) = g^{\alpha\beta}(u, v) g_{ij}(x, y) B^j_\beta. \tag{3.4}$$

The unit normal vector $N^j(u, v)$ of (M^{n-1}, L) is determined by the relations

$$g_{hj}(x, y) B^h_\beta N^j(u, v) = 0, g_{hj}(x, y) N^h(u, v) N^j(u, v) = 1. \tag{3.5}$$

We have the following identities from (3.3), (3.4) and (3.5) :

$$B^\alpha_i B^j_\beta = \delta^\alpha_\beta, B^j_\alpha B^i_\beta + N^j N_i = \delta^j_i \tag{3.6}$$

where

$$N_i = g_{ij}(x, y) N^j.$$

If $C_{hjk}(x, y)$ denotes the (h) hv -torsion tensor of (M^n, L) , the induced (h) hv -torsion tensor $C_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(u, v)$ of (M^{n-1}, L) is given by

$$C_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(u, v) = C_{hjk}(x, y) B^h_\alpha B^j_\beta B^k_\gamma \tag{3.7}$$

from which we obtain

$$C^\alpha_{\beta\gamma} = B^\alpha_i C^i_{jk} B^j_\beta B^k_\gamma. \tag{3.8}$$

The relative v -covariant derivative of the projection factor B^j_α with respect to the induced Cartan connection $IC \Gamma$ is given by³

$$B_{\beta|\gamma}^i = - B_{\alpha}^i C_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha} + C_{hk}^i B_{\beta}^h B_{\gamma}^k. \quad \dots(3.9)$$

This tensor is normal to (M^{n-1}, L) . Therefore we may write

$$B_{\beta|\gamma}^i = M_{\beta\gamma} N^i. \quad \dots(3.10)$$

From (3.9) it is clear that $M_{\beta\gamma}$ is symmetric in β and γ and it may be written as

$$M_{\beta\gamma} = C_{ijk} N^i B_{\beta}^j B_{\gamma}^k. \quad \dots(3.11)$$

The tangent vector space M_x^{n-1} to M^{n-1} at every point $x^i (= u^{\alpha})$ of the hypersurface is considered as the Riemannian space (M_x^{n-1}, g_x) with the Riemannian metric $g_x = g_{\alpha\beta}(u, v) dy^{\alpha} dy^{\beta}$. The components of the (h) hv-torsion tensor $C_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha}$ will be the Christoffel symbols associated with g_x . If M_x^n is the tangent vector space to M^n at $x^i (= u^{\alpha})$, then (M_x^{n-1}, g_x) will be the hypersurface of (M_x^n, g_x) given by (3.2), where $g_x = g_{ij}(x, y) dy^i dy^j$ is the Riemannian metric on M_x^n . The quantities $M_{\beta\gamma}$ given by (3.11) will be considered as the coefficients of the second fundamental form of the tangent Riemannian space (M_x^{n-1}, g_x) .

In general the coefficients of the r th fundamental form of (M^{n-1}, g_x) are defined as⁷

$$C_{(1)\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta}, C_{(2)\alpha\beta} = M_{\alpha\beta}, C_{(r)\alpha\beta} = C_{(r-1)\alpha\beta} M_{\beta}^{\delta} \quad (2 \leq r \leq n) \quad \dots(3.12)$$

where

$$M_{\beta}^{\delta} = g^{\alpha\delta} M_{\alpha\beta}.$$

4. THE n FUNDAMENTAL FORMS OF A HYPERSURFACE OF (M^n, L^*)

Let (M^{n-1}, L^*) be a hypersurface of (M^n, L^*) given by the same equation (3.1). It is to be noted that a unit normal vector N^i to (M^{n-1}, L^*) is not necessarily normal to (M^{n-1}, L) . Paying attention to $l_i N^i = 0$, from (2.2) we have

$$g_{ij}^* B_{\alpha}^i N^j = (b_i N^i) \{q(1 + p^3) b_{\alpha} - p^2 q^2 l_{\alpha}\} \quad \dots(4.1)$$

$$g_{ij}^* N^i N^j = p + q(1 + p^3) (b_i N^i)^2 \quad \dots(4.2)$$

where $b_\alpha = b_i B_\alpha^i$. If b_i is tangential to the hypersurface (M^{n-1}, L) , that is, $b_i N^i = 0$, then we have

$$N^{*i} = p^{-1/2} N^i \tag{4.2}$$

where we have chosen a normal vector N^{*i} to (M^{n-1}, L^*) in the same direction as N^i . Hence we have the following :

Theorem 4.1—Let (M^n, L^*) be a Finsler space obtained from a Finsler space (M^n, L) by the transformation (1.3). If (M^{n-1}, L^*) and (M^{n-1}, L) are the hypersurface of these spaces given by the same equation (3.1) and b_i is tangential to the hypersurface (M^{n-1}, L) , then the vector normal to (M^{n-1}, L) is also normal to (M^{n-1}, L)

Now we establish the following :

Theorem 4.2—Let (M^n, L^*) be a Finsler space obtained from a Finsler space (M^n, L) by the transformation (1.3). Let (M^{n-1}, L^*) and (M^{n-1}, L) be the hypersurfaces of (M^n, L^*) and (M^n, L) given by the same equation (3.1). If b_i is tangential to the hypersurface (M^{n-1}, L) , and $(M_x^n, g_x), (M_x^n g_x^*), (M_x^{n-1}, g_x^*), (M_x^{n-1}, g_x)$, are the tangent Riemannian space to $(M^n, L), (M^n, L^*) (M^{n-1}, L) (M^{n-1}, L^*)$ respectively, then we have the following :

(i) The second fundamental forms of (M_x^{n-1}, g_x) and (M_x^{n-1}, g_x^*) are proportional.

(ii) Every asymptotic direction of (M_x^{n-1}, g_x) is also an asymptotic direction of

$$(M_x^{n-1}, g_x^*).$$

(iii) The r th fundamental tensors of (M_x^{n-1}, g_x) and (M_x^{n-1}, g_x^*) are related by

$$C_{(r)\alpha\beta}^* = p^{(s-r)/2} [C_{(r)\alpha\beta} - \sum_{m=2}^{r-1} X_{(m)\beta} Q_{(r+1-m)\alpha}] \quad (3 \leq r \leq n) \tag{4.4}$$

where

$$X_{(m)\alpha} = P \sqrt{2q\lambda} C_{(m)\alpha\delta} b^\delta \quad (2 \leq m \leq n - 1) \tag{4.5}$$

$$Y_{(m)} = P \sqrt{2q\lambda} X_{(m)\delta} b^\delta \quad (2 \leq m \leq n - 1) \tag{4.5b}$$

$$Q_{(2)\alpha} = X_{(2)\alpha} \tag{4.5c}$$

$$Q_{(r)\alpha} = X_{(r)\alpha} - \sum_{m=2}^{r-1} Y_{(m)} Q_{(r+1-m)\alpha} \quad (3 \leq r \leq n - 1). \tag{4.5d}$$

PROOF : (i) Since $b_l N^l = 0$ implies $m_l N^l = 0$, from (2.4), (3.11) and (4.3) it follows that

$$M_{\beta\gamma}^* = p^{1/2} M_{\beta\gamma}. \quad \dots(4.6)$$

This proves (i).

(ii) A direction l^α for which $M_{\alpha\beta} l^\alpha l^\beta = 0$ is said to be an asymptotic direction. In view of this definition and (4.6) we get (ii).

(iii) The validity of relation (4.4) is established by induction. Since C_{ljk} is an indicatory tensor, from (3.11) it follows that $M_{\beta\gamma} l^\gamma = 0$. Hence from (3.12) we have

$$C_{(r)\beta\gamma} l^\gamma = 0 = C_{(r)\beta\gamma} l^\beta \quad (2 \leq r \leq n). \quad \dots(4.7)$$

Hence from (4.5) (a), (c) and (d) we get

$$X_{(r)\alpha} l^\alpha = 0, \quad Q_{(r)\alpha} l^\alpha = 0 \quad (2 \leq r \leq n). \quad \dots(4.8)$$

Since $g^{*\alpha\beta} = g^{*ij} B_i^\alpha B_j^\beta$, from (2.2) and (4.6) we get

$$M_{\beta}^{*\delta} = p^{-1/2} [M_{\beta}^{\delta} + pq^2 \lambda M_{\alpha\beta} b^\alpha l^\delta - p\sqrt{2q\lambda} X_{(2)\beta} b^\delta] \quad \dots(4.9)$$

where $b^\alpha = B_i^\alpha b^i$. The relations (3.12), (4.5a) (4.6), (4.8) and (4.9) yield

$$C_{(3)\alpha\beta}^* = C_{(3)\alpha\beta} - X_{(2)\alpha} X_{(2)\beta}. \quad \dots(4.10)$$

From (4.5c) and (4.10) it is evident that (4.4) holds for $r = 3$. For a given fixed value of the integer s with $3 \leq s \leq n - 1$ we have

$$C_{(s+1)\alpha\beta}^* = C_{(s)\alpha\beta}^* M_{\beta}^{*\delta}. \quad \dots(4.11)$$

Now let us suppose that (4.4) is valid for $s = 3, 4, 5, \dots, r$. so that we can write (4.11) in the form

$$C_{(s+1)\alpha\beta}^* = p^{(s-1)/2} [C_{(s)\alpha\beta} - \sum_{m=2}^{s-1} X_{(m)\delta} Q_{(s+1-m)\alpha}] M_{\beta}^{*\delta}$$

which in view of (4.5), (4.7), (4.8) and (4.9) gives

$$C_{(s+1)\alpha\beta}^* = p^{(s-1)/2} [C_{(s+1)\alpha\beta} - \sum_{m=2}^{s-1} X_{(m+1)\delta} Q_{(s+1-m)\alpha}]$$

(equation continued on p. 249)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - X_{(2)\beta} \{X_{(s)\alpha} - \sum_{m=2}^{s-1} Y_{(m)} Q_{(s+1-m)\alpha}\} \\
 & = p^{(2-s)/2} [C_{(s+1)\alpha\beta} - \sum_{m=2}^s X_{(m)\beta} Q_{(s+2-m)\alpha}].
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows that (4.4) is valid for $r = (s + 1)$, which completes the proof of (iii).

Remark 1 : If $q \lambda < 0$, the quantities $X_{(m)\alpha}$, $Y_{(m)}$ and $Q_{(m)\alpha}$ defined in (4.5) are complex quantities. However the quantities $C_{(r)\alpha\beta}^*$ are always real.

Remark 2 : Theorem (4.1) and Theorem 4.2 are also valid for general β -changes.

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