

ON EXISTENCE OF THE AFFINELY CONNECTED FINSLER SPACE  
WITH RECURRENT TENSOR FIELDS

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The present paper deals with the recurrent properties of the Berwald's curvature tensor field  $H^i_{jkh}(x, \dot{x})$  by using Cartan's first and second covariant derivatives in an  $n$ -dimensional Finsler space  $F_n$  (Rund 1959). The recurrency in an affinely connected and projectively flat spaces have been studied.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let us consider an  $n$ -dimensional affinely connected Finsler space with a symmetric connection coefficient  $\Gamma^{*i}_{jk} (= G^i_{jk})$ , where  $G^i_{jk} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \partial_j \partial_k G^i$ , is the Berwald's connection parameter which is homogeneous of degree zero with respect to  $\dot{x}^i$ . Thus, the metric of this specified space will be such that  $C_{ijk|h} = 0$ . In view of which the directional derivative of  $\Gamma^{*i}_{jk}$  vanishes and hence  $\dot{\partial}_1 G^i_{jk} = 0$ . The tensor  $A^k_{ih}(x, \dot{x})$  is given by

$$A^k_{ih} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} FC^k_{ih}, \tag{1.1}$$

where

$$(a) A_{ih} = g_{jk} A^k_{ih}, \quad (b) A_{ih} \dot{x}^i = 0. \tag{1.2}$$

The unit vector  $l^i(x, \dot{x})$  is given by

$$l^i = \frac{\dot{x}^i}{F}. \tag{1.3}$$

The Berwald's curvature tensor  $H^i_{jkh}(x, \dot{x})$  is defined by

$$H^i_{hjk}(x, \dot{x}) = \frac{2}{3} \dot{\partial}_h \dot{\partial}_{[j} H^i_{k]} \tag{1.4}$$

where

$$(a) H^i_{hjk} = \dot{\partial}_h H^i_{jk}, \quad (b) H^i_{hjk} \dot{x}^h = H^i_{jk}, \quad (c) H^i_{hjk} + H^i_{jkh} + H^i_{kjh} = 0. \tag{1.5}$$

We have the following contractions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad H^h{}_{ijh} &= H_{ij} = \dot{\partial}_i H_j, & (b) \quad H^h{}_{th} &= H_t, \\
 (c) \quad H_{jh} - H_{hj} &= H^s{}_{shj}, & (d) \quad H^i{}_{hj} \dot{x}^h &= H^i{}_j, \\
 (e) \quad H^i{}_j \dot{x}^j &= 0, & (f) \quad \dot{\partial}_i H^i{}_j \dot{x}^j &= -H^i{}_i, \\
 (g) \quad H^i{}_i &= (n-1)H. & & \dots(1.6)
 \end{aligned}$$

The Cartan's first and second covariant derivative of  $X^i(x, \dot{x})$ , are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad X^i{}_{|h} &= \partial_h X^i - \dot{\partial}_k X^i \Gamma_{jh}^{*k} \dot{x}^j + X^k \Gamma_{kh}^{*i} \\
 (b) \quad X^i{}_{|h} &= F \dot{\partial}_h X^i + A^i{}_{kh} X^k. & \dots(1.7)
 \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$(a) \quad l^i{}_{|h} = 0, \quad (b) \quad F_{|h} = 0 \quad \dots(1.8)$$

and

$$\dot{x}^i{}_{|k} = F \delta^i_k. \quad \dots(1.9)$$

The commutation formulae for vector  $X^i(x, \dot{x})$  with respect to covariant derivative (1.7a) and (1.7b) are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 (a) \quad (\dot{\partial}_h X^i)_{|k} - \dot{\partial}_h X^i{}_{|k} &= \dot{\partial}_l X^i A^l{}_{hk}{}_{|r} l^r - \dot{\partial}_h \Gamma_{rk}^{*i} X^r, \\
 (b) \quad (\dot{\partial}_h X^i)_{|k} - \dot{\partial}_h X^i{}_{|k} &= -\{F_{x^h} \dot{\partial}_k X^i + \dot{\partial}_h A^i{}_{mk} X^m + A^m{}_{hk} \dot{\partial}_m X^i\}. & \dots(1.10)
 \end{aligned}$$

The projective deviation tensor  $W^i{}_j(x, \dot{x})$  (Rund 1959), is given by

$$W^i{}_j(x, \dot{x}) = H^i{}_j - H \delta^i_j - \frac{\dot{x}^i}{n+1} (\dot{\partial}_a H^a{}_j - \dot{\partial}_j H). \quad \dots(1.11)$$

## 2. BERWALD'S RECURRENT TENSOR FIELDS

*Definition 2.1*—An  $n$ -dimensional Finsler space  $F_n$  is said to be  $H^*$ -recurrent (Mishra and Pande 1968, Misra 1973) if the Berwald curvature tensor  $H^i{}_{hjk}(x, \dot{x})$  satisfies the following relation:

$$H^i{}_{jkh|l} = v_l H^i{}_{jkh} \quad \dots(2.1)$$

where  $v_l = v_l(x, \dot{x})$  is called the non-zero recurrence vector. Transvecting (2.1) by  $\dot{x}^j$  and  $\dot{x}^k$  successively, we get

$$H^i{}_{kh|l} = v_l H^i{}_{kh} \quad \dots(2.2)$$

and

$$H^i{}_{h;l} = v_l H^i{}_h. \tag{2.3}$$

So that, the tensors  $H^i{}_{kh}$  and  $H^i{}_h$  are recurrent in  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$  with the same recurrence vector  $v_l$  and are known as  $H^{*i}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  and  $H_h{}^{*i}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  respectively. Contracting (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3) with respect to indices  $i, h$  and using relations (1.6a), (1.6b) and (1.6g) respectively, we get

$$H_{,k;l} = v_l H_{jk}, \tag{2.4}$$

$$H_{k;l} = v_l H_k \tag{2.5}$$

and

$$H_{,l} = v_l H. \tag{2.6}$$

Hence  $H_{jk}, H_k$  and  $H$  are also recurrent in  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$ . But the converse is not true. Differentiating (2.2) partially with respect to  $\dot{x}^j$  and using (1.10a), we obtain

$$H^i{}_{jkh;l} - v_l H^i{}_{jkh} = H^i{}_{mkh} A^m{}_{j;l} l^r - \dot{\partial}_j \Gamma_{rl}^{*i} H^r{}_{kh} + \dot{\partial}_j \Gamma_{kl}^{*r} H^i{}_{,rh} + \dot{\partial}_j \Gamma_{hl}^{*r} H^i{}_{,kr} + \dot{\partial}_j v_l H^i{}_{kn}. \tag{2.7}$$

The equation (2.7) shows that the recurrence vector  $v_l$  will be homogeneous of degree zero with respect to  $\dot{x}^t$  for  $H^{*i}{}_{jk}(x, \dot{x})$ -recurrent  $F_n$ . Hence, we have

*Theorem 2.1*—In an affinely connected  $F_n$  if the directional derivative of recurrence vector vanishes then  $H^{*i}{}_{jk}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  will be  $H^*$ -recurrent.

Commutating equation (2.2) with respect to indices  $k, h$  and  $l$  and adding all the three equations thus obtained, we get

*Theorem 2.2*—The Bianchi identity for  $H^i{}_{kh}$  reduces to the following form :

$$v_{[l} H^r{}_{kh]} = \dot{\partial}_{[l} H^r{}_{kh]} + H^m{}_{[kh} \Gamma_{l]m}^{*r} - H^r{}_{m[lh} \Gamma_{l]s}^{*m} \dot{x}^s. \tag{2.8}$$

Differentiating (1.11) covariantly with respect to  $x^l$  and using equations (1.11a), (2.3) and (2.6), we get

$$W^i{}_{j;l} - v_l W^i{}_j = - \frac{\dot{x}^t}{n+1} \{ \dot{\partial}_a v_l H^a{}_j - \dot{\partial}_j v_l H + \dot{\partial}_m H^a{}_j A^m{}_{a;l} l^r - \dot{\partial}_a \Gamma_{rl}^{*a} H^r{}_j - \dot{\partial}_a \Gamma_{jl}^{*r} H^a{}_r - \dot{\partial}_m H A^m{}_{j;l} l^r \}. \tag{2.9}$$

Contracting (2.9) with respect to indices  $i$  and  $j$  and using relations (1.6e), (1.6f) (1.1) and (1.3), we get

$$\dot{\partial}_j v_l \dot{x}^j H = H^a{}_m (C^m{}_{a;l} - \dot{\partial}_a \Gamma_{lr}^{*m}) \dot{x}^r. \tag{2.10}$$

Since the right hand member of (2.10) vanishes in view of the condition  $C^m{}_{a;l} \dot{x}^r = \dot{\partial}_a \Gamma_{rl}^{*m} \dot{x}^r$ , then from here we see that the recurrence vector  $v_l$  is homogeneous of degree zero with respect to directional argument in  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$  also. Then, summarising the above all results, we have the following theorems:

*Theorem 2.3*—In  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the projective deviation tensor  $W^i_j(x, \dot{x})$  is recurrent for the same recurrence vector  $v_i$ , if it satisfies the following relation:

$$\frac{\dot{x}^t}{n+1} \{ \dot{\partial}_a v_i H^a; - \dot{\partial}_j v_i H + \dot{\partial}_m H^a; A^u_{a1r} l^r - \dot{\partial}_a \Gamma^*_{ri} H^r; - \dot{\partial}_a \Gamma^*_{ji} H^a_r - \dot{\partial}_m H A^m_{j1r} l^r \} = 0. \quad \dots(2.11)$$

*Theorem 2.4*—The projective deviation tensor is recurrent in an affinely connected  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$ , if it admits the following relation:

$$\frac{\dot{x}^t}{n+1} \{ \dot{\partial}_a v_i H^a; - \dot{\partial}_j v_i H \} = 0 \quad \dots(2.12)$$

*Theorem 2.5*—In an affinely connected  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the projective deviation tensor  $W^i_j(x, \dot{x})$  is recurrent if the directional derivative of recurrence vector vanishes.

*Theorem 2.6*—In  $H^*$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the recurrence vector is homogeneous of degree zero with respect to the directional argument.

*Definition 2.2*—An  $n$ -dimensional Finsler space  $F_n$  is said to be  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent (Pande and Singh 1974) if the Cartan's second covariant derivative of Berwald's curvature  $H^i_{jkh}(x, \dot{x})$  satisfies the relation

$$H^i_{jkh}|_l = \lambda_l H^i_{jkh} \quad \dots(2.13)$$

where  $\lambda_l = \lambda_l(x, \dot{x})$  is a non-zero recurrence vector field. Contracting (2.13) with respect to indices  $i$  and  $h$  and using (1.6a), we get

$$H_{jk}|_l = \lambda_l H_{jk}. \quad \dots(2.14)$$

Hence  $H_{jk}$  is recurrent in  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$ .

Differentiating (1.5b) covariantly with respect to  $x^t$  and using (1.9), we get

$$H^i_{kh}|_l = H^i_{jkh}|_l \dot{x}^j + FH^i_{ikh} \quad \dots(2.15)$$

With the help of (2.13), equation (2.15) becomes

$$H^i_{kh}|_l - \lambda_l H^i_{kh} = FH^i_{ikh} \quad \dots(2.16)$$

Further, differentiating (1.6d) covariantly with respect to  $x^t$  and using (1.9), we obtain

$$H^i_h|_l = H^i_{kh}|_l \dot{x}^k + FH^i_{ih}. \quad \dots(2.17)$$

Using (2.16) in (2.17), we get

$$H^i_h|_l - \lambda_l H^i_h = F\eta^i_{ih} \quad \dots(2.18)$$

where

$$\eta^i_{ih} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} H^i_{ih} + H^i_{ikh} \dot{x}^k. \quad \dots(2.19)$$

Contracting (2.16) and (2.18) with respect to the indices  $i$  and  $h$ , we get

$$H_k |_i - \lambda_i H_k = FH_{ik} \quad \dots(2.20)$$

and

$$H |_i - \lambda_i H = \frac{F}{n-1} \theta_i \quad \dots(2.21)$$

where

$$\theta_i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \eta^t_{ti}. \quad \dots(2.22)$$

Again, differentiating (1.6e) covariantly with respect to  $x^i$  and using the relations (1.9), (2.18), (1.6e), we get

$$FH^i_{imk} \dot{x}^k = 0. \quad \dots(2.23)$$

Thus, with the help of equations (2.16), (2.18), (2.20) and (2.21), we state the following theorem:

*Theorem 2.7*—The tensors  $H^i_{jk}$  and  $H^i_k$  are not recurrent for the same recurrence vector  $\lambda_i$  in  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$ .

Differentiating  $H^r_{kh}$  covariantly with respect to  $x^l$  and adding all the three equations thus obtained by cyclic rotation of the indices  $l, k, h$ , we get

$$H^r_{[kh|l]} = F\dot{\partial}_l H^r_{kh} + A^r_m{}_{[l} H^m_{kh]} - H^r_m{}_{[h} A^m_{kl]} - A^m_{[hl} H^r_{]m}. \quad \dots(2.24)$$

Multiplying (2.22) by  $\dot{x}^h$  and using the homogeneity and skew-symmetric properties of  $H^i_{kh}$  and the relations, (1.2b), (1.5c), we get

*Theorem 2.8*—In  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the recurrence vector  $\lambda_i$  satisfies the relation

$$2\lambda_{[k} H^r_{l]} + \lambda_h H^r_{lk} \dot{x}^h = 2A^r_m{}_{[k} H^m_{l]}. \quad \dots(2.25)$$

With the help of equations (2.18), (2.21) and the commutation formula (1.10b), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\dot{\partial}_a H_j^a) |_i &= \dot{\partial}_a \lambda_i H_j^a + \lambda_i \dot{\partial}_a H_j^a + \dot{\partial}_a (F\eta^a_{ij}) \\ &\quad - \{F_{ij} a \dot{\partial}_i H_j^a + \dot{\partial}_a A^a_{mi} H_j^m - \dot{\partial}_a A^m_{jl} H_m^a + A^m_{al} \dot{\partial}_m H_j^a\} \quad \dots(2.26) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(\dot{\partial}_i H) |_i = \dot{\partial}_i \lambda_i H + \lambda_i \dot{\partial}_i H + \frac{1}{n-1} \dot{\partial}_i (F\theta_i) - (F\dot{x}^i \dot{\partial}_i H + A^m_{ij} \dot{\partial}_m H). \quad \dots(2.27)$$

Differentiating (1.12) covariantly with respect to  $x^l$  and using the relations (2.18), (2.21), (2.26), (2.27) and (1.9), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_j^i|_i - \lambda_i W_j^i &= F\eta^i{}_{ij} - \frac{\delta^j{}_i}{n-1} F\theta_i - \frac{\dot{x}^i}{n+1} \left\{ \dot{\partial}_a \lambda_i H_j^a + \dot{\partial}_a (F\eta^a{}_{ij}) \right. \\
 &\quad - (F\dot{x}^a \dot{\partial}_i H_j^a + \dot{\partial}_a A^a{}_{mi} H_j^m - \dot{\partial}_a A^m{}_{ji} H^a{}_m + A^m{}_{ai} \dot{\partial}_m H_j^a) \\
 &\quad \left. - \dot{\partial}_j \lambda_i H - \frac{1}{n-1} \dot{\partial}_j (F\theta_i) + F\dot{x}^j \dot{\partial}_i H + A^m{}_{ji} \dot{\partial}_m H \right\} \\
 &\quad - F\delta_i^i (\dot{\partial}_a H^a{}_j - \dot{\partial}_j H)/(n+1). \tag{2.28}
 \end{aligned}$$

Accordingly, we have the following :

*Theorem 2.9*—In  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the projective deviation tensor  $W_j^i(x, \dot{x})$  will be recurrent if the right hand member of (2.28) vanishes. Contracting (2.28) with respect to indices  $i, j$  and using equations (1.6e), (1.2b), (1.6f); we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(\theta_i + \dot{\partial}_a H_i^a + \dot{\partial}_a \eta^a{}_{ii} \dot{x}^i) + F\dot{x}^i (H^a{}_i + \eta^a{}_{ii} \dot{x}^i) \\
 - \dot{\partial}_i \lambda_i \dot{x}^i H = 0. \tag{2.29}
 \end{aligned}$$

With the help of equations (2.19), (2.22) and (2.23) the equation (2.29) reduces to the form

$$\dot{\partial}_i \lambda_i \dot{x}^i H = F(2\theta_i + \dot{\partial}_a H_i^a - 3H_{ii} \dot{x}^i). \tag{2.30}$$

Thus, we have the following :

*Theorem 2.10*—In  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the recurrence vector  $\lambda_i$  is homogeneous of degree zero with respect to  $\dot{x}^i$ , when

$$F(2\theta_i + \dot{\partial}_a H_i^a - 3H_{ii} \dot{x}^i) = 0. \tag{2.31}$$

If it be possible that the tensors  $H^i{}_{jk}, H_k^i$  are recurrent in  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$ , then the terms  $F\eta^i{}_{ih}$  and  $F\theta_i$  vanish and the spaces are known as  $\bar{H}^i{}_{jk}$ -recurrent and  $\bar{H}^i{}_k$ -recurrent  $F_n$  respectively. Hence in view of this proposition, we have the following theorems:

*Theorem 2.11*—In  $\bar{H}^i{}_{jk}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the Berwald's curvature tensor  $H^i{}_{jkl}$  is recurrent if the recurrence vector  $\lambda_i$  is independent of the directional argument and satisfies the following relation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F\dot{x}^i \dot{\partial}_l H^i{}_{hk} + \dot{\partial}_j A^i{}_{mi} H^m{}_{hk} - \dot{\partial}_j A^m{}_{hi} H^i{}_{mk} - \dot{\partial}_j A^m{}_{kl} H^i{}_{im} \\
 + A^m{}_{ji} \dot{\partial}_m H^i{}_{kh} = 0. \tag{2.32}
 \end{aligned}$$

*Theorem 2.12*—In  $\bar{H}$ -recurrent  $F_n$  the projective deviation tensor  $W_j^i$  is recurrent if the following relation is true:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{x}^i \{ \dot{\partial}_a \lambda_i H^a{}_j - (F\dot{x}^a \dot{\partial}_i H^a{}_j + \dot{\partial}_a A^a{}_{mi} H_j^m \\
 - \dot{\partial}_a A^m{}_{ji} H^a{}_m + A^m{}_{ai} \dot{\partial}_m H_j^a) - \dot{\partial}_j \lambda_i H \\
 + F\dot{x}^i \dot{\partial}_i H + A^m{}_{ji} \dot{\partial}_m H \} = 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq l. \tag{2.33}
 \end{aligned}$$

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