

## ON THE GENERALISED LAGRANGE SPACE AND CORRESPONDING LAGRANGE SPACE ARISING FROM THE METRIC TENSOR

$$g_{ij}(x, y) + (1/c^2) y_i y_j$$

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This paper has been devoted to the study of some aspects of generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$  with metric tensor  $G_{ij}(x, y) = g_{ij}(x, y) + (1/c^2) y_i y_j$  ( $g_{ij}(x, y)$ ) being metric tensor of a Finsler space  $F^n$  and  $y_i = g_{ij}(x, y) y^j$  and corresponding Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  arising from the Lagrangian  $L^* = (g_{ij}(x, y) y^i y^j)^{1/2}$ . The properties of  $L^n$  and  $L^{*n}$  have been discussed in special cases when the associated Finsler space  $F^n$  is (a) Landsberg or (b) Berwald or (c) Minkowskian.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The geometrical properties of Lagrange and generalised Lagrange spaces have been studied by Miron and Anastasiei<sup>5</sup>, Kawaguchi and Miron<sup>2, 3</sup>, Singh<sup>7, 8</sup> and several other authors. An important class of generalised Lagrange space is given by  $L^n = (M^n, a_{ij}(x, y))$ , where  $M^n$  is a differentiable manifold of dimension  $n$ ,

$$a_{ij}(x, y) = \gamma_{ij}(x) + (1/c^2) y_i y_j, \quad \dots (1.1)$$

$y = (y^i)$  is the element of support  $\gamma_{ij}(x)$  is the metric tensor of a Riemannian space and  $y_i = \gamma_{ij}(x, y) y^j$ . The metric tensor  $a_{ij}(x, y)$  given above was used by Beil<sup>1</sup> in the study of electrodynamics, where constant  $c$  occurring in (1.1) was given a physical meaning as velocity of light. In present paper the metric tensor given by (1.1) has been generalised by replacing  $\gamma_{ij}(x)$  as the right hand side of (1.1) by a Finsler metric tensor  $g_{ij}(x, y)$ .

### 2. GENERALISED LAGRANGE SPACE AND CORRESPONDING LAGRANGE SPACE ASSOCIATED WITH A FINSLER METRIC TENSOR

Consider a generalised Lagrange space  $L^n = (M^n, G_{ij}(x, y))$  with the metric tensor

$$G_{ij}(x, y) = g_{ij}(x, y) + (1/c^2) y_i y_j, \quad \dots (2.1)$$

where  $g_{ij}(x, y)$  is metric tensor of a Finsler space  $F^n$ ,  $y_i = g_{ij}(x, y) y^j$  and  $c$  is a constant usually called the velocity of light.

The reciprocal tensor,  $G^{ij}$  of  $G_{ij}$  is obtained as

$$G^{ij} = g^{ij} - \frac{1}{a_1 c^2} y^i y^j, \quad \dots (2.2)$$

where  $g^{ij}$  is the tensor reciprocal to  $g_{ij}$ ,  $a_\sigma = 1 + \frac{\sigma}{c^2} F^2$ , for the integer  $\sigma$  and  $F^2 = g_{ij}(x, y) y^i y^j$ .

The  $d$ -tensor field  $\underline{C}_{j h k}$ , of  $L^n$ , is defined by

$$\underline{C}_{j h k} = (1/2) (\partial G_{jh} / \partial y^k + \partial G_{hk} / \partial y^j - \partial G_{jk} / \partial y^h). \quad \dots (2.3)$$

Using the eq. (2.1) and the relation  $\partial y_i / \partial y^k = g_{ik}$ , we get

$$\underline{C}_{j h k} = C_{j h k} + (1/c^2) g_{jk} y_h, \quad \dots (2.4)$$

where

$$C_{j h k} = (1/2) (\partial g_{jh} / \partial y^k + \partial g_{hk} / \partial y^j - \partial g_{jk} / \partial y^h) = (1/2) \partial g_{jh} / \partial y^k$$

is the  $d$ -tensor field of the associated Finsler space  $F^n$ .

A simple calculation based on eqs. (2.2) and (2.4) will give

$$\underline{C}_{jk}^i \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} G^{ih} \underline{C}_{j h k} = C_{jk}^i + \frac{1}{a_1 c^2} g_{jk} y^i, \quad \dots (2.5)$$

where we have used the definition  $C_{jk}^i = g^{ih} C_{j h k}$  and the relation  $C_{j h k} y^h = 0$ .

The metric tensor  $G_{ij}$  is used in defining the Lagrangian  $L^*$ , given by the relation:

$$L^{*2} = G_{ij} y^i y^j. \quad \dots (2.6)$$

This Lagrangian gives a metric tensor

$$G_{ij}^* = (1/2) \partial^2 L^{*2} / \partial y^i \partial y^j, \quad \dots (2.7)$$

of a Lagrange space  $L^{*n} = (M^n G_{ij}^*)$ , corresponding to the given generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$ .

The eqs. (2.1) and (2.6) yield

$$L^{*2} = F^2 + (1/c^2) F^4. \quad \dots (2.8)$$

A direct calculation based on eqs. (2.7), (2.8) and the fact  $g_{ij} = (1/2) \partial^2 F^2(x, y) / \partial y^i \partial y^j$  gives

$$G_{ij}^* = a_2 g_{ij} + (4/c^2) y_i y_j, \quad \dots (2.9)$$

where we have used the relations  $\partial F^2/\partial y^i = 2y_i$  and  $C_{ijk} y^i = 0$ .

The contravariant components,  $G^{*ij}$  of  $G_{ij}^*$ , are given by

$$G^{*ij} = (1/a_2) \left\{ g^{ij} - \frac{4}{c^2 a_6} y^i y^j \right\}. \quad \dots (2.10)$$

Defining  $d$ -tensor field  $\underline{C}_{jhk}^*$ , of  $L^{*n}$ , in a manner analogous to (2.3) and using the relation  $\partial a_2/\partial y^k = (4/c^2) y_k$ , we get

$$\underline{C}_{jhk}^* = a_2 C_{jhk} + (2/c^2) (g_{hk} y_j + g_{jk} y_h + g_{jh} y_k). \quad \dots (2.11)$$

A calculation based on eqs. (2.10) and (2.11) gives

$$\underline{C}_{jk}^{*i} = G^{*ih} \underline{C}_{jhk}^* = C_{jk}^i + \frac{2}{a_2 c^2} \left( \delta_k^i y_j + \delta_j^i y_k + \frac{a_2}{a_6} y^i g_{jk} - \frac{8}{c^2 a_6} y^i y_j y_k \right), \quad \dots (2.12)$$

where we have used the relation  $C_{jkh} y^h = 0$ .

**Theorem 2.1** — *The  $d$ -tensor fields  $\underline{C}_{jhk}$  and  $\underline{C}_{jhk}^*$  of  $L^n$  and  $L^{*n}$  respectively, are not indicatory tensor fields.*

PROOF : In view of relation (2.4),  $\underline{C}_{jhk} y^j = 0$  implies  $y_h y_k = 0$  and  $\underline{C}_{jhk} y^h = 0$  implies  $(F^2/c^2) g_{jk} = 0$ , which are impossible. Hence  $\underline{C}_{jhk}$  is not an indicatory tensor field.

Again the relation (2.11) and the condition  $\underline{C}_{jhk}^* y^j = 0$  give

$$g_{hk} + 2 l_h l_k = 0, \quad \dots (2.13)$$

where

$$l^h = y^h/F \text{ and } l_h = g_{hr} l^r. \quad \dots (2.14)$$

The eq. (2.13) yields  $g_{hk} = -2 l_h l_k$ , which is again impossible. Therefore  $\underline{C}_{jhk}^*$  is not an indicatory tensor field.

### 3. GEODESICS IN $L^{*n}$

The equations of a geodesic of  $L^{*n}$  are given by

$$d^2 x^i/dt^2 + 2 G^{*i}(x, \dot{x}) = 0 \quad \dots (3.1)$$

where  $\dot{x}^i = dx^i/dt = y^i$  and  $G^{*i}(x, y)$  is given by Kawaguchi and Miron<sup>2</sup> in the form

$$G^{*i} = (1/4) G^{*ij} \{ (\partial^2 L^{*2} / \partial y^j \partial x^k) y^k - \partial L^{*2} / \partial x^j \}. \quad \dots (3.2)$$

A simple calculation based on equations  $L^{*2} = a_1 F^2$  and  $a_1 = 1 + F^2/c^2$  gives

$$\partial L^{*2} / \partial x^k = a_2 \partial F^2 / \partial x^k. \quad \dots (3.3)$$

Differentiating this equation with respect to  $y^j$  and transvecting the resulting equation by  $y^k$  we get

$$(\partial^2 L^{*2} / \partial y^j \partial x^k) y^k = (4/c^2) y_j (\partial g_{rs} / \partial x^k) y^r y^s y^k + 2a_2 (\partial g_{rj} / \partial x^k) y^r y^k, \quad \dots (3.4)$$

where we have used the relations

$$(a) F^2 = g_{rs} y^r y^s, (b) \partial F^2 / \partial x^k = (\partial g_{rs} / \partial x^k) y^r y^s, (c) \partial a_2 / \partial y^j = (4/c^2) y_j \quad \dots (3.5)$$

and the homogeneity property of  $g_{rs}$  in the calculation.

We proceed to introduce Christoffel's symbols

$$\gamma_{jhk} = (1/2) \{ (\partial g_{jh} / \partial x^k + \partial g_{hk} / \partial x^j - \partial g_{jk} / \partial x^h) \}, \quad \dots (3.6)$$

$$\gamma_{jk}^i = g^{ih} \gamma_{j h k} \quad \dots (3.7)$$

of the associated Finsler space. The eq. (3.6) will yield

$$\partial g_{rs} / \partial x^k = \gamma_{r s k} + \gamma_{s r k}. \quad \dots (3.8)$$

A direct calculation based on eqs. (3.2), (3.4), (3.5)b, (2.10) and (3.8) will give

$$G^{*i} = (1/2) \gamma_{jk}^i y^j y^k = G^i, \quad \dots (3.9)$$

where we have used the identity  $\frac{2}{a_2 c^2} - \frac{8 F^2}{c^4 a_2 a_6} - \frac{2}{c^2 a_6} = 0$  and  $G^i$  is the quantity corresponding to

$G^{*i}$  for the associated Finsler space  $F^n$ .

Since a geodesic of  $F^n$  is given by  $d^2 x^i / dt^2 + 2G^i(x, \dot{x}) = 0$ , we have the following :

**Theorem 3.1** — *The geodesics of the Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  are given by the same equations as the geodesics of the associated Finsler space  $F^n$ .*

Also we have

**Theorem 3.2** — *The space  $F^n$  and  $L^{*n}$  are in geodesic correspondence.*

#### 4. NON-LINEAR CONNECTION $N_j^*{}^i$ , CANONICAL METRICAL CONNECTION $L_{jk}^i$ AND BERWALD CONNECTION $\underline{G}_{jk}^i$ OF $L^n$

The non-linear connection  $N_j^*{}^i$  is defined by the relation

$$N_j^*{}^i = \partial G^*{}^i / \partial y^j. \quad \dots (4.1)$$

The eq. (3.9) shows that

$$N_j^*{}^i = \partial G^i / \partial y^j = F_{jk}^i y^k, \quad \dots (4.2)$$

where the last relation in (4.2) has been quoted from Rund<sup>6</sup> and  $F_{jk}^i$  stand for Cartan's connection coefficients of the associated Finsler space  $F^n$ .

The canonical metrical connection  $L_{jk}^i$  of  $L^n$  is defined by

$$L_{jk}^i = (1/2) G^{ih} (\delta G_{jh} / \delta x^k + \delta G_{hk} / \delta x^j - \delta G_{jk} / \delta x^h), \quad \dots (4.3)$$

where

$$\delta / \delta x^k = (\partial / \partial x^k - N_k^{*r} \partial / \partial y^r).$$

A simple calculation based on eqs. (4.4), (4.2) and the relations

$$\partial g_{jh} / \partial y^s = 2C_{jhs} \quad \dots (4.5)$$

and

$$\partial g_{jh} / \partial x^k = F_{jhk} + F_{hjk} + 2C_{jhs} F_{rk}^s y^r \quad \dots (4.6)$$

(Rund<sup>6</sup>), for  $F_{jhk} = g_{ih} F_{jk}^i$ , yields

$$\delta g_{jk} / \delta x^h = F_{jkh} + F_{kjh}, \quad \dots (4.7)$$

which will give

$$\delta g_{jh} / \delta x^k + \delta g_{hk} / \delta x^j - \delta g_{jk} / \delta x^h = 2F_{jhk}. \quad \dots (4.8)$$

The relation  $y_j = g_{jr} y^r$  and eqs. (4.4) and (4.8) give

$$\delta y_j / \delta x^k = F_{jrk} y^r. \quad \dots (4.9)$$

Using eqs. (2.1) and (4.3) we find

$$\begin{aligned} L_{jk}^i &= (1/2) G^{ih} [(\delta g_{jh} / \delta x^k + \delta g_{hk} / \delta x^j - \delta g_{jk} / \delta x^h) \\ &\quad + (1/c^2) \{ \delta(y_j y_h) / \delta x^k + \delta(y_h y_k) / \delta x^j - \delta(y_j y_k) / \delta x^h \}]. \end{aligned} \quad \dots (4.10)$$

Substituting from (1.2), (4.8) and (4.9) in (4.10) we obtain

$$L_{jk}^i = F_{jk}^i \quad \dots (4.11)$$

where we have used the identity  $(1/c^2) - 1/(c^2 a_1) - F^2/(a_1 c^4) = 0$ .

Hence we have the following:

**Theorem 4.1**— For the generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$ , the components  $N_j^{*i}$ ,  $L_{jk}^i$  and  $\underline{C}_{jk}^i$  of the Lagrange connection are given by (4.2), (4.11) and (2.5) respectively.

In order to obtain the Berwald's connection coefficients  $\underline{G}_{jk}^i$  of  $L^n$ , we consider the eq. (3.9). This gives

$$\underline{G}_{jk}^i = \partial^2 G^{*i}/\partial y^j \partial y^k = \partial^2 G^i/\partial y^j \partial y^k = G_{jk}^i = F_{jk}^i + C_{jk|l}^i y^l, \quad \dots (4.12)$$

where the last relation has been taken from Matsumoto<sup>4</sup>,  $G_{jk}^i$  stands for Berwald's connection coefficients of  $F^n$  and symbol  $|$  stands for Cartan's  $h$ -derivative in  $F^n$ . We have thereby proved the following:

**Theorem 4.2** — The Berwald's connection of  $L^n$  coincides with that of the associated Finsler space  $F^n$  and it is given by (4.12).

### 5. CANONICAL METRICAL CONNECTION $L_{jk}^{*i}$ OF $L^{*n}$

The connection  $L_{jk}^{*i}$ , of  $L^{*n}$ , is given by

$$L_{jk}^{*i} = (1/2) G^{*ih} (\delta G_{jh}^*/\delta x^k + \delta G_{hk}^*/\delta x^j - \delta G_{jk}^*/\delta x^h), \quad \dots (5.1)$$

where  $\delta/\delta x^k$  and  $G_{jk}^*$  are given by eqs. (4.4) and (2.9) respectively.

A straight forward calculation based on eqs. (4.2), (4.7) and relations

$$a_2 = 1 + (2/c^2) g_{rs} y^r y^s, \quad \delta y^i/\delta x^k = -F_{kr}^i y^r,$$

gives

$$\delta a_2/\delta x^k = 0. \quad \dots (5.2)$$

Using this equation along with eqs. (1.9), (4.7) and (4.9) we get

$$\delta G_{jk}^*/\delta x^h = a_2(F_{jkh} + F_{kjh}) + (4/c^2) (F_{krh} y^r y_j + F_{jrh} y^r y_k). \quad \dots (5.3)$$

A calculation based on eqs. (5.1), (5.3) and (2.10) will give

$$L_{jk}^{*i} = F_{jk}^i \quad \dots (5.4)$$

where we have used the identity  $(1/a_2) - (1/a_6) - 4F^2/(c^2 a_2 a_6) = 0$ .

Hence we have proved the following:

**Theorem 5.1** — In the space  $L^{*n}$ , the components  $N_j^{*i}$ ,  $L_{jk}^{*i}$  and  $\underline{C}_{jk}^{*i}$  of the Lagrange connection are given by eqs. (4.2), (5.4) and (2.12) respectively.

The Berwald's connection coefficients  $G_{jk}^{*i}$ , of  $L^{*n}$ , are obtained from  $G^{*i}$  given by (3.9). Therefore Theorem 4.2 yields the following:

**Theorem 5.2** — The Berwald's connection coefficients of the generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$  coincide with those of associated Finsler space  $F^n$  or those of the corresponding Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  i.e.

$$\underline{G}_{jk}^{*i} = \underline{G}_{jk}^i = G_{jk}^i = F_{jk}^i + C_{jk|l}^i y^l, \quad \dots (5.5)$$

where  $G_{jk}^i$ ,  $\underline{G}_{jk}^i$  and  $\underline{G}_{jk}^{*i}$  stand for coefficients of Berwald's connection in  $F^n$ ,  $L^n$  and  $L^{*n}$  respectively.

## 6. DERIVATIVES IN $F^n$ , $L^n$ AND $L^{*n}$

If  $K_j^i(x, y)$  is a mixed tensor field of the manifold  $M^n$ , then its  $\nu$ ,  $h$  and Berwald's covariant derivatives in  $L^n$ , are defined by

$$K_{j|h}^i = \partial K_j^i / \partial y^h + K_j^r \underline{C}_{rh}^i - K_r^i \underline{C}_{jh}^r, \quad \dots (6.1)$$

$$K_{j|h}^i = \delta K_j^i / \delta x^h + K_j^r L_{rh}^i - K_r^i L_{jh}^r, \quad \dots (6.2)$$

and

$$K_{j(h)}^i = \delta K_j^i / \delta x^h + K_j^r \underline{G}_{rh}^i - K_r^i \underline{G}_{jh}^r, \quad \dots (6.3)$$

respectively.

Similar definitions for these derivatives in  $F^n$  and  $L^{*n}$  can be given.

**Remark** : Since  $L_{jk}^i = L_{jk}^{*i} = F_{jk}^i$ ,  $\underline{G}_{jk}^i = \underline{G}_{jk}^{*i} = G_{jk}^i$  and  $N_j^{*i} = \partial G^{*i} / \partial y^j = \partial G^i / \partial y^j$ , the  $h$ -covariant and Berwald's covariant derivatives, in  $L^n$ , as given by (6.2) and (6.3) are identical with the corresponding derivatives in  $F^n$  or in  $L^{*n}$ . Therefore same symbols are used for these two derivatives in all the three spaces. The  $\nu$ -covariant derivatives in  $F^n$  and  $L^{*n}$  will be denoted by symbols  $|$  and  $\nu = *|$  respectively.

We now proceed to prove the following:

**Theorem 6.1** — In the space  $L^n$ , the covariant derivatives as given by eqs. (6.1), (6.2) and (6.3) satisfy the following identities:

$$(a) (i) G_{ij|h} = 0 \quad (ii) a_{\sigma|h} = 0 \quad (iii) L_{|h}^* = 0 \quad (iv) L_{|h}^1 = 0, \quad \dots (6.4)$$

$$(b) (i) G_{ij\perp h} = 0 \quad (ii) a_{\sigma\perp h} = (2\sigma/c^2) y_h \quad (iii) L_{\perp h}^* = (a_2/a_1) L_h$$

$$(iv) L_{\perp h}^i = (1/L^*) (\delta_h^i - l^i l_h),$$

$$(c) (i) G_{ij(h)} = g_{ij(h)} = -2C_{ijh|0} \quad (ii) a_{\sigma(h)} = 0 \quad (iii) L_{(h)}^* = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (iv) L_{(h)}^i = 0,$$

where

$$(a) L^i = y^i/L^* \quad (b) L_h = G_{ih} L^i \quad \dots (6.5)$$

and suffix 0 stands for transvection with respect to  $y^i$ .

PROOF : (a) The eq. (2.1),  $g_{ij|h} = 0, y_{i|h} = 0$  give  $G_{ij|h} = 0$ . Further,  $a_{\sigma} = 1 + (\sigma F^2/c^2)$  and  $F_{|h} = 0$  will give  $a_{\sigma|h} = 0$ . The identity  $L_{|h}^* = 0$  will follow immediately from the eqs. (2.6),  $G_{ij|h} = 0$  and  $y_{|h}^i = 0$ . The identity  $L_{|h}^i = 0$  is an immediate consequence of eqs. (6.5)a and  $y_{|h}^i = 0, L_{|h}^* = 0$ .

(b) The eqs. (6.1) and  $G_{ir} \underline{C}_{j h}^r = \underline{C}_{jih}$  will give

$$G_{ij|h} = \partial G_{ij} / \partial y^h - \underline{C}_{jih} - \underline{C}_{ijh} \quad \dots (6.6)$$

A simple calculation based on eqs. (2.1), (2.4), (6.6) and relation  $\partial y_i / \partial y^h = g_G$  will give  $\underline{G}_{ij\perp h} = 0$ .

The relation  $a_{\sigma} = 1 + (\sigma F^2/c^2)$ , for a natural number  $\sigma$  and  $F_{\perp h} = \partial F / \partial y^h = l_h$  will prove  $a_{\sigma\perp h} = (2\sigma/c^2) y_h$ .

Further, the relation  $L^* = (a_1)^{1/2} F, F_{\perp h} = l_h$  and identity (6.4)b (ii) proved above give  $L_{\perp h}^* = (a_2/a_1) L_h$ , where we have used the identity  $L_h = (a_1)^{1/2} l_h$ .

The eqs. (6.1), (2.5) and the identity  $C_{r h}^i y^r = 0$  will give

$$Y_{\perp h}^i = \delta_h^i + 1/(a_1 c^2) y^i y_h.$$

A direct calculation based on eqs. (6.5)a, (6.4)b (iii), (6.7) and relations

$$L_h = (a_1)^{1/2} l_h, y^i = F l^i, L^* = (a_1)^{1/2} F$$

and



$$\left\{ F^2/(a_1 c^2) - (a_2/a_1) \right\} = -1$$

will prove (6.4)b (iv).

In order to establish the identities given in (6.4)c we shall use the remark mentioned just before Theorem (6.1).

The relation (2.1) and identity  $y_{i(h)} = 0$  give

$$G_{ij(h)} = g_{ij(h)} = -2 C_{ijh|0} \text{ (Rund}^6\text{)}.$$

The relations  $a_\sigma = 1 + (\sigma F^2/c^2)$ ,  $L^* = (a_1)^{1/2} F$  and  $F_{(h)} = 0$  will give  $a_{\sigma(h)} = 0$  and  $L_{(h)}^* = 0$ .

The identity  $L_{(h)}^i = 0$  is an immediate consequence of (6.5)a,  $y_{(h)}^i = 0$ ,  $L_{(h)}^* = 0$ .

We shall now prove the following:

**Theorem 6.2** — *In the space  $L^{*n}$ , the covariant derivatives corresponding to eqs. (6.1), (6.2) and (6.3) satisfy the following identities:*

$$(a) G_{ij}^* |_h = 0 \quad (b) G_{ij}^* |_h = 0 \quad \dots (6.8)$$

and

$$(c) G_{ij}^* |_{(h)} = a g_{ij(h)} = -2a_2 C_{ijh|0}.$$

PROOF : (a) By definition

$$G_{ij}^* |_h^* = \partial G_{ij}^* / \partial y^h - \underline{C}_{ijh}^* - \underline{C}_{ijh}^* \quad \dots (6.9)$$

The eqs. (2.9), (2.11), (6.9) and relations

$$\partial a_2 / \partial y^h = (4/c^2) y_h, \quad \partial y_i / \partial y^h = g_{ih}$$

will prove  $G_{ij}^* |_h^* = 0$ .

Part (b) and (c) of this theorem follow immediately from the remark given before Theorem 6.1 and the eqs. (2.9), (6.4)a ii, (6.4)c (ii) and facts  $y_{i|h} = 0$ ,  $y_{i(h)} = 0$ .

## 7. GENERALISED LAGRANGE SPACE $(M^n, G_{ij})$ AND CORRESPONDING LAGRANGE SPACE $(M^n, G_{ij}^*)$ ARISING FROM SOME SPECIAL FINSLER SPACES $(M^n, g_{ij})$

The notions of Landsberg and Berwald spaces have been given by Matsumoto<sup>4</sup>. Using these concepts we give the following:

**Definition 7.1** — The space  $F^n$  or  $L^n$  or  $L^{*n}$  is a Landsberg space if the Berwald connection is  $h$ -metrical in the space concerned.

According to this definition  $F^n$  or  $L^n$  or  $L^{*n}$  is a Landsberg space iff  $g_{ij(k)} = 0$  or  $G_{ij(k)} = 0$  or  $G_{ij(k)}^* = 0$  respectively.

From the eqs. (6.4)<sub>c</sub> (i) and (6.8)<sub>c</sub> we have the following:

**Theorem 7.1** — If anyone of the following three conditions holds then the remaining two also hold.

(i) The generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$  is Landsberg.

(ii) The corresponding Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  is Landsberg.

(iii) The associated Finsler space  $F^n$  is Landsberg.

We now give the following:

**Definition 7.2** — The space  $F^n$  or  $L^n$  or  $L^{*n}$  is said to be a Berwald space if the Berwald's connection of the space concerned is independent of directional element  $y^i$ .

The eq. (5.5) proves the following:

**Theorem 7.2** — If anyone of the following three conditions is satisfied then the remaining two are also satisfied.

(i) The generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$  is a Berwald space.

(ii) The corresponding Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  is a Berwald space.

(iii) The associated Finsler space  $F^n$  is a Berwald space.

It has been shown by Matsumoto<sup>4</sup> that a Berwald Finsler space is a Landsberg space. The Theorems (7.1) and (7.2), therefore, yield the following:

**Theorem 7.3** — If any one of the three conditions given in Theorem 7.2 is satisfied then the remaining five conditions mentioned in Theorems 7.1 and 7.2 are also satisfied.

Consider a Finsler space  $F^n = (M^n, g_{ij})$ , the generalised Lagrange space  $L^n = (M^n, G_{ij})$  and corresponding Lagrange space  $L^{*n} = (M^n, G_{ij}^*)$  where  $G_{ij}, G_{ij}^*$  are defined by (2.1) and (2.9) respectively. Suppose that  $M^n$  undergoes a coordinate transformation  $\bar{x}^i = \bar{x}^i(x^j)$  which results in the transformation of  $g_{ij}, G_{ij}$  and  $G_{ij}^*$  into  $\bar{g}_{ij}, \bar{G}_{ij}$  and  $\bar{G}_{ij}^*$  respectively. The following lemma follows immediately from (2.1) and (2.9).

**Lemma 7.1** — If  $M^n$  undergoes coordinate transformation given by  $\bar{x}^i = \bar{x}^i(x^j)$  then

$$\bar{G}_{ij} = \bar{g}_{ij} + (1/c^2) \bar{y}_i \bar{y}_j \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{G}_{ij}^* = a_2 \bar{g}_{ij} + (4/c^2) \bar{y}_i \bar{y}_j$$

where  $\bar{y}_i = \bar{g}_{ij} \bar{y}^j$ .

We now give the following:

**Definition 7.3** — The space  $F^n$  is said to be Minkowskian (Matsumoto<sup>4</sup>) if there exists a coordinate system in which the metric tensor  $g_{ij}$ , of  $F^n$ , is a function of directional element  $y^i$  only i.e.  $\partial g_{ij}/\partial x^k = 0$ . Similar definitions for  $L^n$  or  $L^{*n}$  to be Minkowskian can be given.

We shall now prove the following:

**Theorem 7.4** — *The generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$  is Minkowskian if and only if associated Finsler space  $F^n$  is Minkowskian.*

PROOF : The condition  $F^n$  is Minkowskian will imply that for a given coordinate system  $g_{ij}$  and  $y_i = g_{ij}y^j$  are independent of  $x^k$ . Therefore by eq. (2.1),  $G_{ij}$  is independent of  $x^k$ .

Conversely, if  $L^n$  is Minkowskian then Lemma 7.1, eq. (2.1) and condition  $\partial G_{ij}/\partial x^k = 0$  will give

$$\partial g_{ij}/\partial x^k + (1/c^2)(y_i \partial y_j/\partial x^k + y_j \partial y_i/\partial x^k) = 0. \quad \dots (7.1)$$

Transvecting this equation by  $y^j$  we get

$$a_1 \partial y_j/\partial x^k + y_i \partial F^2/\partial x^k = 0. \quad \dots (7.2)$$

Again transvecting this equation by  $y^i$  we find

$$a_2 \partial F^2/\partial x^k = 0. \quad \dots (7.3)$$

Eqs. (7.3), (7.2) and (7.1) yield  $\partial g_{ij}/\partial x^k = 0$ . Therefore,  $F^n$  is Minkowskian.

Also we have the following:

**Theorem 7.5** — *The Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  is Minkowskian if and only if associated Finsler space  $F^n$  is Minkowskian.*

PROOF : The condition  $F^n$  is Minkowskian implies that for a certain coordinate system  $g_{ij}$ ,  $y_i$  and  $a_2$  are independent of  $x^k$ . Therefore,  $G_{ij}^*$  is independent of  $x^k$ .

Conversely, if  $L^{*n}$  is Minkowskian then by using Lemma 7.1, the eq. (2.9) and condition  $\partial G_{ij}^*/\partial x^k = 0$ , for a certain coordinate system, we get

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 \partial g_{ij}/\partial x^k + (2/c^2) \partial F^2/\partial x^k g_{ij} \\ + (4/c^2)(y_i \partial y_j/\partial x^k + y_j \partial y_i/\partial x^k) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad \dots (7.4)$$

where we have used the relation  $\partial a_2 / \partial x^k = (2/c^2) \partial F^2 / \partial x^k$ .

Transvecting (7.4), by  $y^j$  we get

$$a_6 \partial y_i / \partial x^k + (6/c^2) y_i \partial F^2 / \partial x^k = 0. \quad \dots (7.5)$$

Transvecting this relation by  $y^i$ , we find

$$a_{12} \partial F^2 / \partial x^k = 0. \quad \dots (7.6)$$

The eqs. (7.6), (7.5) and (7.4) yield  $\partial F^2 / \partial x^k = 0$ ,  $\partial y_i / \partial x^k$  and  $\partial g_{ij} / \partial x^k = 0$ .

Therefore,  $F^n$  is Minkowskian.

Theorems 7.4 and 7.5 establish the following:

**Theorem 7.6** — *If any one of the following three conditions is true then the remaining two are also true.*

- (i) *The generalised Lagrange space  $L^n$  is Minkowskian.*
- (ii) *The corresponding Lagrange space  $L^{*n}$  is Minkowskian.*
- (iii) *The associated Finsler space  $F^n$  is Minkowskian.*

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