

Motion with contra field in Finsler spaces II

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An affine motion of special type in non-Riemannian K^* -spaces was developed by Takano [6]* which he called an affine motion with contra field. Later on, the same concept was extended to Finsler spaces by Misra and Meher[2]. The same authors [3] have discussed CA-motion in projective symmetric Finsler space. The present author and Gatoto[5] have studied projective motion in Finsler spaces. The object of the present paper is to define CA and CP motions in Finsler space F_n . The notations of Hiramatu[1] and Singh[4] are used in the sequel.

1. INTRODUCTION

In an n -dimensional Finsler space F_n , we consider an infinitesimal transformation[7]

$$(1.1) \quad \bar{x}^i = x^i + \xi^i(x)dt,$$

where $\xi^i(x)$ is a contravariant vector field and dt is an infinitesimal constant.

The covariant derivatives of a scalar $f(x, \dot{x})$ and a tensor $T_{jk}^i(x, \dot{x})^{**}$ are given by

$$(1.2) \quad f_{;i} = f_{,i} - f|_a \Gamma_{bi}^{*a} \dot{x}^b$$

and

$$(1.3) \quad T_{jk;h}^i = T_{jk,h}^i - T_{jk}^i|_a \Gamma_{bh}^{*a} \dot{x}^b + \Gamma_{jk}^{*a} \Gamma_{ah}^{*i} - T_{ak}^i \Gamma_{jh}^{*a} - T_{ja}^i \Gamma_{kh}^{*a}$$

respectively, where a comma and a vertical bar denote the partial derivatives of a function with respect to x^i and \dot{x}^i respectively.

* Number in the bracket refers to the reference at the end.

** Indices i, j, k, \dots run over the natural numbers $1, 2, 3, \dots, n$.

The Lie-derivatives, with respect to the transformation (1.1), of the mixed tensor T_{jk}^i and the connection coefficient Γ_{jk}^{*i} are expressed as

$$(1.4) \quad \mathfrak{L} T_{jk}^i = T_{jk;a}^i \xi^a + T_{jk}^i |_a \xi^a \dot{x}^b - T_{jk}^a \xi_{;a}^i + T_{ak}^i \xi_{;j}^a + T_{ja}^i \xi_{;k}^a$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad \mathfrak{L} \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} = \xi_{;j;k}^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^l + \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} |_a \xi^a \dot{x}^b$$

respectively, where

$$(1.6) \quad R_{jkl}^{*i} = \left(\Gamma_{jk,l}^{*i} - \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} |_a \Gamma_{bl}^{*a} \dot{x}^b \right) - \left(\Gamma_{jl,k}^{*i} - \Gamma_{jl}^{*i} |_a \Gamma_{bk}^{*a} \dot{x}^b \right) + \Gamma_{jk}^{*a} \Gamma_{al}^{*i} - \Gamma_{ak}^{*i} \Gamma_{jl}^{*a}$$

is the corresponding curvature tensor field.

The Lie-derivative of the curvature tensor field, in terms of the connection coefficient Γ_{jk}^{*i} , is defined as

$$(1.7) \quad \left(\mathfrak{L} \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} \right)_{,l} - \left(\mathfrak{L} \Gamma_{jl}^{*i} \right)_{,k} = \mathfrak{L} R_{jkl}^{*i} + \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} |_a \mathfrak{L} \Gamma_{bl}^{*a} \dot{x}^b - \Gamma_{jl}^{*i} |_a \mathfrak{L} \Gamma_{bk}^{*a} \dot{x}^b.$$

2 CA-MOTION IN A SYMMETRIC FINSLER SPACE

Definition 2.1: A Finsler space is called a symmetric space when its curvature tensor field R_{jkh}^{*i} satisfies the relation

$$(2.1) \quad R_{jkh;l}^{*i} = 0.$$

The infinitesimal transformation (1.1) is said to be affine motion if it satisfies the condition $\mathfrak{L} g_{ij} = 0$. In such case we necessarily have

$$(2.2) \quad \mathfrak{L} \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} = \xi_{;j;k}^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^l + \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} |_a \xi^a \dot{x}^b = 0.$$

In view of (1.7) and (2.2), we immediately get

$$(2.3) \quad \mathfrak{L} R_{jkh}^{*i} = 0,$$

which implies that if the Finsler space F_n admits an affine motion then the curvature tensor R_{jkh}^{*i} is Lie-invariant.

Now let us consider an affine motion with contra-field. In such case we assume a special infinitesimal transformation in the form

$$(2.4) \quad \text{a) } \bar{x}^i = x^i + \xi^i(x) dt \quad \text{b) } \xi_{;j}^i = \lambda \delta_j^i,$$

where $\lambda(x, \dot{x})$ is some non-zero scalar function.

Definition 2.2 : A Finsler space F_n , which admits the transformation (2.4) defines an affine motion with contra field. Such a motion is called CA-motion.

In view of the definition of Lie-derivative, the equation (2.3) is expressed in the form

$$(2.5) \quad R_{jkl;m}^{*i} \xi^m - R_{jkl}^{*m} \xi_{;m}^i + R_{mkl}^{*i} \xi_{;j}^m + R_{jml}^{*i} \xi_{;k}^m + R_{jkm}^{*i} \xi_{;l}^m + R_{jkl}^{*i} \Big|_m \xi_{;p}^m \dot{x}^p = 0$$

If the Finsler space under consideration is symmetric, the equation (2.5) becomes

$$(2.6) \quad -R_{jkl}^{*m} \xi_{;m}^i + R_{mkl}^{*i} \xi_{;j}^m + R_{jml}^{*i} \xi_{;k}^m + R_{jkm}^{*i} \xi_{;l}^m + R_{jkl}^{*i} \Big|_m \xi_{;p}^m \dot{x}^p = 0,$$

by virtue of (2.1).

Since the Finsler space F_n admits a CA-motion, the equation (2.6) reduces to

$$(2.7) \quad 2\lambda R_{jkl}^{*i} + \lambda R_{jkl}^{*i} \Big|_p \dot{x}^p = 0.$$

Since λ is a non-zero scalar function, we express

$$(2.8) \quad R_{jkl}^{*i} = -\frac{1}{2} R_{jkl}^{*i} \Big|_p \dot{x}^p.$$

Accordingly we state

Theorem 2.1: A symmetric Finsler space F_n , which admits CA-motion, the curvature tensor R_{jkl}^{*i} is expressed in the form (2.8).

3. CHARACTERISTICS OF SCALAR FUNCTION

In a Finsler space F_n , which admits a CA-motion, the non-zero scalar function $\lambda(x, \dot{x})$ exists and satisfies the relation (2.4)b. In such case the relation (2.2) assumes the form

$$(3.1) \quad \lambda_k \delta_j^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^l + \lambda \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} \Big|_b \dot{x}^b = 0,$$

where $\lambda_k = \lambda_{;k}$ is a gradient vector field.

Since the connection coefficient Γ_{jk}^{*i} is homogeneous of degree zero in \dot{x}^i , the equation (3.1) reduces to

$$(3.2) \quad \lambda_k \delta_j^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^l = 0 .$$

Transvecting the above equation by ξ^k , it becomes

$$(3.3) \quad \lambda_k \delta_j^i \xi^k + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^k \xi^l = 0 .$$

The curvature tensor R_{jkl}^{*i} is skew-symmetric with respect to the indices k, l , which causes vanishing of the second term and hence the equation (3.3) takes the form

$$(3.4) \quad \lambda_k \xi^k = 0 .$$

Thus we state

Theorem 3.1: In a Finsler space F_n , which admits CA-motion, the vector fields ξ^i and λ_i are orthogonal to each other .

The contravariant vector ξ^i is independent of \dot{x}^i and the covariant δ -derivative is homogeneous of degree zero in the direction argument so is the function λ . Hence we find

$$(3.5) \quad \lambda|_p \dot{x}^p = 0 .$$

The Lie-derivative of the scalar function λ is expressed as

$$(3.6) \quad \mathfrak{L} \lambda = \lambda_i \xi^i + \lambda|_i \xi^i \dot{x}^m .$$

In a Finsler space F_n , which admits CA-motion, the relation (3.4) holds good and hence the equation (3.6) becomes

$$(3.7) \quad \mathfrak{L} \lambda = \lambda|_i \xi^i \dot{x}^m .$$

In view of the equation (2.4) b, the equation (3.7) yields

$$(3.8) \quad \mathfrak{L} \lambda = \lambda \lambda|_m \dot{x}^m .$$

Applying (3.5) in the above equation, it reduces to

$$(3.9) \quad \mathfrak{L} \lambda = 0 .$$

Hence we have

Theorem 3.2: In a Finsler space F_n , which admits CA-motion, the scalar function λ is Lie-invariant .

4. CP-MOTION IN A FINSLER SPACE

The infinitesimal transformation (1.1) defines a projective motion if it transforms the system of geodesics into that of geodesics. The necessary and sufficient condition for (1.1) to be a projective motion is that the Lie-derivative of Γ_{jk}^{*i} must satisfy

$$(4.1) \quad \mathfrak{L}\Gamma_{jk}^{*i} = 2\delta_{(j}^i p_{k)}^* + \dot{x}^i p_{jk}^* ,$$

where

$$(4.2) \quad p_k^* = \dot{\partial}_k p^* , \quad p_{jk}^* = \dot{\partial}_j p_k^*$$

for some homogeneous scalar function $p^*(x, \dot{x})$ of degree one in \dot{x}^i . For the homogeneity property of p_j^* and p_{jk}^* , they also satisfy

$$(4.3) \quad p_j^* \dot{x}^j = p^* , \quad p_{jk}^* \dot{x}^k = 0 .$$

Let us assume that there exists a projective motion with contra field. In such case the infinitesimal transformation (1.1) will also satisfy the condition (2.4).

Definition 4.1: When a Finsler space F_n admitting the projective motion also satisfied the condition (2.4), then the motion is called projective motion with contra field. We denote such motion as CP-motion.

In view of equations (1.5) and (4.1), we obtain

$$(4.4) \quad \xi_{;j;k}^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^l + \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} |_{a} \xi_{;b}^a \dot{x}^b = 2\delta_{(j}^i p_{k)}^* + \dot{x}^i p_{jk}^* .$$

In case of CP-motion, the equation (4.4) takes the form

$$(4.5) \quad \lambda_k \delta_j^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^l = 2\delta_{(j}^i p_{k)}^* + \dot{x}^i p_{jk}^* ,$$

since Γ_{jk}^{*i} is homogeneous function of degree zero in \dot{x}^i and $\lambda_k = \lambda_{,k}$ is a gradient vector field.

Transvecting the equation (4.5) by ξ^k , we have

$$(4.6) \quad \lambda_i \xi^k \delta_j^i + R_{jkl}^{*i} \xi^k \xi^l = \delta_j^i p_k^* \xi^k + p_j^* \xi^i + \dot{x}^i p_{jk}^* \xi^k .$$

We notice that the skew-symmetry property of R_{jkl}^{*i} with respect to the indices k and l causes vanishing of the second term in the left hand side of the equation (4.6) and hence we have

$$(4.7) \quad \lambda_k \xi^k \delta_j^i = \delta_j^i p_k^* \xi^k + p_j^* \xi^k + \dot{x}^i p_{jk}^* \xi^k.$$

Contracting the indices i and j and using the latter part of (4.3), the above equation reduces to

$$(4.8) \quad \lambda_k \xi^k = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) p_k^* \xi^k.$$

Accordingly we state

Theorem 4.1: In a Finsler space F_n , which admits CP-motion, the scalar functions λ_k and p_k^* satisfy the relation (4.8).

Let us assume that the projective scalar function p_k^* is orthogonal to ξ^k , that is

$$(4.9) \quad p_k^* \xi^k = 0.$$

Then in view of (4.9), the equation (4.8) reduces to (3.4), which implies that the motion is CA-motion from Theorem 3.1.

Conversely, if the relation (3.4) is true, the equation (4.7) takes the form

$$(4.10) \quad \delta_j^i p_k^* \xi^k + p_j^* \xi^i + \dot{x}^i p_{jk}^* \xi^k = 0.$$

Contraction of the indices i and j in the equation (4.10) yields

$$(4.11) \quad (n+1) p_k^* \xi^k = 0,$$

since p_j^* is homogeneous of degree zero in \dot{x}^i .

From the above equation we conclude that the projective scalar function p_k^* is orthogonal to the contravariant vector ξ^k . Thus we have

Theorem 4.2: In a Finsler space F_n , the necessary and sufficient condition for CP-motion to be a CA-motion is that the projective scalar function p_k^* is orthogonal to the vector function ξ^k .

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