

HYPERSURFACES OF MATSUMOTO CONFORMAL CHANGED FINSLER SPACES

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Abstract: In the year 1984, Shibata et al. [16] investigated the theory of a change which has been called a β -change of a Finsler metric. On the other hand, in 1985 a systematic study of geometry of hypersurfaces of Finsler spaces was given by Matsumoto.[10] The present paper is devoted to study the condition for a Matsumoto conformal change to be projective and find out when a totally geodesic hypersurface F^{n-1} remains to be a totally geodesic hypersurface $*F^{n-1}$ under the projective Matsumoto conformal change.[1] Further, we obtained the condition under which a Finslerian hypersurface given by the projective Matsumoto conformal change are projectively flat.

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1. Introduction

Let (M^n, L) be an n-dimensional Finsler space on a differential manifold M^n , equipped with the fundamental function $L(x, y)$. In 1984, Shibata et.al. [16] introduced the transformation of Finsler metric as

$$\bar{L}(x, y) = f(L, \beta).$$

where $\beta = b_i(x)y^i$ and $b_i(x)$ is a covariant vector in (M^n, L) . Here f is positively homogeneous function of degree one in L and β . This change of metric has been called β -change.[8]

The conformal theory of a Finsler spaces has been initiated by Knebelman[9], in 1929 and has been investigated in detail by many authors in the papers ([4],[5],[6],[13],[17],[18] etc.) .

The conformal change has been defined as

$$L(x, y) \rightarrow e^{\sigma(x)} L(x, y)$$

where $\sigma(x)$ is a function of position only and known as conformal factor.

In the present paper, we have studied a transformation which combines above two transformations with Matsumoto metric, which generalizes all the above transformations. In fact, we consider a change of the form

$$L(x, y) \rightarrow {}^*L(x, y) = e^{\sigma(x)} \frac{L^2(x, y)}{L(x, y) - \beta(x, y)}. \quad (1)$$

where $\sigma(x)$ is a function of position only and $\beta(x, y) = b_i(x)y^i$ is 1-form in M^n , which we shall call a Matsumoto conformal change. This change generalizes various types of change. When $\beta = 0$, it reduces to a conformal change. When $\sigma = 0$, it reduces to Matsumoto change. When $\beta = 0$ and σ is a non-zero constant then it reduces to homothetic change.

In this paper, we have obtained the condition for a Matsumoto conformal change to be projective and find out when a totally geodesic hypersurface ${}^*F^{n-1}$ remains to be a totally geodesic hypersurface F^{n-1} under the projective Matsumoto conformal change. Further, we have obtained the condition under which a Finslerian hypersurfaces given by the projective conformal change are projectively flat.

Throughout the paper we shall confine ourselves to Cartan's connection, and the notations and terminology of the monograph [11] will be used without comment. In the paper monograph of Matsumoto[11] will be quoted by (#).

2. Relation among the quantities of Finsler spaces F^n and ${}^*F^n$

Let (M^n, L) be a Finsler space F^n , where M^n is an n-dimensional differentiable manifold equipped with a fundamental function L, defined by equation (1) has been called Matsumoto conformal change, where $\sigma(x)$ is conformal factor which is function of position only and $\beta(x, y) = b_i(x)y^i$ is 1-form in M^n . A space equipped with fundamental metric ${}^*L(x, y)$ is called conformally changed space ${}^*F^n$.

Differentiating equation (1) with respect to y^i , we obtain the relation among normalized supporting element l_i and *l_i :

$${}^*L_i = {}^*l_i = \tau(l_i + e^{-\sigma} m_i) \quad (2)$$

Throughout the paper, we shall use the notations, symbols and well known relations used in the paper [10].

$$L_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y^i} = l_i, \quad L_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial y^i \partial y^j}, \quad \tau = \frac{{}^*L}{L} = e^{\sigma(x)} \frac{L}{L - \beta}, \quad \text{and}$$

$$m_i = (e^\sigma - \tau)l_i + \tau b_i. \quad (3)$$

The vector m_i is orthogonal to the normalize supporting element l_i .

Again, differentiating equation (2) with respect to y^j we obtain

$${}^*L_{ij} = \frac{\tau}{L} \left\{ (2 - e^{-\sigma} \tau) h_{ij} + 2e^{-2\sigma} m_i m_j \right\}, \quad (4)$$

where

$$\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial y^j} = \frac{m_j}{L - \beta} = e^{-\sigma} \frac{\tau}{L} m_j \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial y^j} = \frac{1}{L} \left\{ (e^{\sigma - \tau}) h_{ij} + (e^{-\sigma} m_i - l_i) m_j \right\}.$$

If we denote $g_{ij}(x, y)$ the fundamental tensor $\frac{\partial^2 L^2}{2\partial y^i \partial y^j}$ and put

$$h_{ij} = g_{ij} - l_i l_j. \quad (5)$$

Then in virtue of (5) and (2) the equation (4) is rewritten as the relation between the fundamental tensors

$${}^*g_{ij} = \tau^2 \left\{ (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) g_{ij} + (\tau e^{-\sigma} - 1) l_i l_j + 3e^{-2\sigma} m_i m_j + e^{-n} (l_i m_j + l_j m_i) \right\} \quad (6)$$

Reciprocal of ${}^*g^{ij}$ of ${}^*g_{ij}$ has been work out using the fact that ${}^*g^{jk} {}^*g_{ij} = \delta_i^k$.

$${}^*g^{ij} = \frac{1}{\tau^2 \mu} \left\{ A g^{ij} - B (l^i m^j + m^i l^j) - 2e^{-\sigma} m^i m^j - C l^i l^j \right\}, \quad (7)$$

where $\mu = AB$, $A = 2m^2 e^{-\sigma} + 2e^\sigma - \tau$, $B = 2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}$, and

$$C = (\tau e^\sigma - 1)(A + m^2 e^{-\sigma})$$

Next we obtain easily the relation between ${}^*L_{ijk}$ and L_{ijk} by differentiating equation (5) with respect to y^k and using the relation

$$\frac{\partial h_{ij}}{\partial y^k} = 2C_{ijk} - \frac{1}{L} (l_i h_{jk} + l_j h_{ik}), \text{ we obtain}$$

$${}^*L_{ijk} = \frac{2\tau}{L^2} \left\{ (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) C_{ijk} + e^{-2\sigma} (e^\sigma - \tau) \mathbf{e}_{ijk} h_{ij} m_k \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{e}_{ijk} (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) h_{ij} l_k + e^{-2\sigma} \mathbf{e}_{ijk} l_i m_j m_k \right.$$

$$+ 3e^{-2\sigma} m_i m_j m_k \} \quad (8)$$

where the symbol $\mathbf{e}_{(ijk)}$ denote the sum of cyclic permutation of indices i, j and k. Meaning there by

$$\mathbf{e}_{(ijk)} h_{ij} m_k = h_{ij} m_k + h_{jk} m_i + h_{ki} m_j$$

From the equation (5) we have

$$\frac{\partial h_{ij}}{\partial y^k} = 2C_{ijk} - \frac{1}{L} (l_i h_{jk} + l_j h_{ik}), \quad (9)$$

where $C_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial y^k}$ and $\frac{\partial l_i}{\partial y^j} = \frac{h_{ij}}{L}$. Also, from above equation we get

$$L_{ijk} = \frac{2}{L} C_{ijk} - \frac{1}{L^2} (h_{ij} l_k + h_{jk} l_i + h_{ki} l_j) \quad (10)$$

In the virtue of equation (9) we obtain the relation between C_{ijk} and ${}^*C_{ijk}$ from (8)

$${}^*C_{ijk} = \frac{\tau^2}{L} \{ LBC_{ijk} + (4 - 3\tau)(h_{ij} m_k + h_{jk} m_i + h_{ki} m_j) + 12m_i m_j m_k \} \quad (11)$$

Now, we consider the relation between the Cartan's connection F_{jk}^i and ${}^*F_{jk}^i$ in the paper as [11]

$$D_{jk}^i = {}^*F_{jk}^i - F_{jk}^i \quad (12)$$

Transvecting above equation by y^j and using $F_{jk}^i y^j = G_k^i$, and $D_{jk}^i y^j = D_k^i$, we get

$${}^*G_k^i = G_k^i + D_k^i \quad (13)$$

where the subscript '0' denote the contraction by the supporting element y^j .

Further, transvecting (13) by y^k and using $G_k^i y^k = G^i$, and $D_k^i y^k = D^i$, we get

$${}^*G^i = G^i + D^i \quad (14)$$

These relations used in latter articles.

3. Relation between projective change and Matsumoto conformal change

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

$$\frac{d^2 y^i}{dt^2} + 2G^i(x, y) = y^i, \quad \text{where } y^i = \frac{dx^i}{dt}.$$

and $G^i(x, y)$ are second degree positively homogeneous function in y^i . We are now in a position to find condition under which Matsumoto conformal change is projective. Let us consider Euler's-Lagrange differential equation of a geodesic in the form,

$$B_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^i} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial y^i} \right) = 0.$$

Similar Euler-Lagrange's differential equation for *L , will be

$${}^*B_i = \frac{\partial {}^*L}{\partial x^i} - \frac{d}{dt} ({}^*L_i) = 0. \tag{15}$$

Differentiating ${}^*L = \tau L$ with respect to x^i , we have

$$\frac{\partial {}^*L}{\partial x^i} = \tau \left\{ (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^i} + L \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial x^i} + \tau e^{-\sigma} \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial x^i} \right\}.$$

Differentiating equation (2) with respect to t , we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} ({}^*L_i) = \tau (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) \frac{dL_i}{dt} + \left\{ (1 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) l_i + \tau b_i \right\} \frac{d\tau}{dt}.$$

Substituting above values in equation (15), we get

$${}^*B_i = \tau (2 - \tau \rho^{-\sigma}) B_i + \tau^2 \rho^{-\sigma} \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial x^i} - \left\{ (1 - \tau \rho^{-\sigma}) l_i + \tau b_i \right\} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = 0. \tag{16}$$

which leads to

$${}^*B_i = e^{\sigma(x)} B_i + A_i = 0. \tag{17}$$

where, is a covariant vector.

Thus we have,

Theorem 3.1 *Matsumoto conformal change (1) is projective iff covariant vector A_i given by equation (17) vanishes identically.*

4. Hypersurface of a projective Matsumoto conformal changed space

A hypersurface M^{n-1} of a underlying smooth manifold M^n may be parametrically represented by the equation $x^i = x^i(u^\alpha)$, where u^α are Gaussian co-ordinate on M^{n-1} [3] and α varies from 1 to n-1. Here we shall assume that the matrix consisting of the projection factor $B_\alpha^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\alpha}$ is of rank n-1.

To introduce a Finsler structure in M^{n-1} , the supporting element y^i at a point (u^α) of M^{n-1} is assumed to be tangential to M^{n-1} , so that we may write

$$y^i = B_\alpha^i(u)v^\alpha. \quad (18)$$

Thus v^α is thought of as supporting element of M^{n-1} at the point (u^α) .

Since the function $*L(u, v) = L\{x(u), y(u, v)\}$ gives rise to a Finsler metric of M^{n-1} , we get a (n-1)dimensional Finsler space $F^{n-1} = \{M^{n-1}, *L(u, v)\}$.

The fundamental function $*L(u, v)$ of this Finslerian hypersurfaces F^{n-1} of F^n is called the induced metric of F^{n-1}

$$B_{\alpha\beta}^i = \frac{\partial \beta_\alpha^i}{\partial u^\beta} = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\alpha \partial u^\beta}, \quad B_{0\beta}^i = v^\alpha B_{\alpha\beta}^i. \quad (19)$$

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

$$(i) \quad g_{ij} B_\alpha^i N^j = 0, \quad (ii) \quad g_{ij} N^i N^j = 1. \quad (20)$$

If (B_i^α, N_i) is the inverse of the matrix (B_α^i, N^i) , then

$$B_\alpha^i B_i^\beta = \delta_\alpha^\beta, \quad B_\alpha^i N_i = 0, \quad N^i N_i = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad B_\alpha^i B_j^\alpha + N^i N_j = \delta_j^i.$$

$$\therefore B_i^\alpha = g^{\alpha\beta} g_{ij}, \quad N_i = g_{ij} N^j. \quad (21)$$

For induced Cartan's connection $CI = (F_\beta^\alpha \gamma, N_\alpha^\beta, C_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha)$ on F^{n-1} , the normal curvature vector H_α is given by,

$$H_\alpha = N_i (B_{0\alpha}^i + N_j^i B_\alpha^j). \quad (22)$$

Consider a Finslerian hypersurface $F^{n-1} = \{M^{n-1}, *L(u, v)\}$ of the F^n and another Finsler hypersurface $*F^{n-1} = \{M^{n-1}, *L(u, v)\}$ of the $*F^n$ given by the Matsumoto

conformal change. Let N^i be the unit vector at each point of F^{n-1} and (B_α^i, N_i) be the inverse of the matrix of (B_α^i, N^i) . The function B_α^i may be considered as component of (n-1) linearly independent tangent vectors of F^{n-1} and they are invariant under Matsumoto conformal change. Thus we shall show that a unit normal vector ${}^*N^i(u, v)$ of F^{n-1} is uniquely determined by

$$(i) \quad {}^*g_{ij}B_\alpha^i {}^*N^j = 0, \quad (ii) \quad {}^*g_{ij} {}^*N^i {}^*N^j = 1 \quad (23)$$

Contracting (6) by $N^i N^j$ and paying attention to the fact that $l_i N^i = 0$ and using equation (20) we have

$${}^*g_{ij}N^i N^j = \tau^2 \left\{ (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) + 3e^{-2\sigma} \tau^2 (b_i N^i)^2 \right\}$$

It can also be written as

$${}^*g_{ij} \left\{ \pm \frac{N^i}{\tau \sqrt{(2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) + 3e^{-2\sigma} \tau^2 (b_i N^i)^2}} \right\} \times \left\{ \pm \frac{N^j}{\tau \sqrt{(2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) + 3e^{-2\sigma} \tau^2 (b_i N^i)^2}} \right\} = 1. \quad (24)$$

Since,

$${}^*N^i = \frac{N^i}{\tau \sqrt{(2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) + 3e^{-2\sigma} \tau^2 (b_i N^i)^2}}. \quad (25)$$

Substituting the values from equations (16) and (25) in the equation (i) of (23) we have

$$\tau^2 \left\{ (2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) g_{ij} + (\tau e^{-\sigma} - 1) l_i l_j + 3m_i m_j e^{-2\sigma} + \tau e^{-\sigma} (l_i m_j + l_j m_i) \right\} \times \frac{B_\alpha^i N^j}{\tau \sqrt{(2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) + 3e^{-2\sigma} \tau^2 (b_i N^i)^2}} = 0.$$

Contracting above equations by v^α and using $y^i = B_\alpha^i v^\alpha$, we get

$$\tau e^{-\sigma} \{ 3\tau e^{-\sigma} (b_i - l_i) + 4l_i \} B_\alpha^i = 0.$$

In the virtue of (20) above equation becomes

$$\left\{3\tau^2 e^{-2\sigma}(b_i - l_i) + 4\tau e^{-\sigma} l_i\right\} \frac{B_\alpha^i N^j b_j}{\tau \sqrt{(2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}) + 3e^{-2\sigma} \tau^2 (b_i N^i)^2}} = 0. \quad (26)$$

which implies that

$$3\tau e^{-\sigma}(\beta - L) + 4L = 0.$$

Thus, we have

$$L = 0 \quad (\because \tau e^{-\sigma}(L - \beta) = L),$$

which contradicts the assumption that $L > 0$. So that (25) gives $b_i N^i = 0$. Therefore equation (25) can be rewritten as

$${}^* N^i = \frac{N^i}{\tau \sqrt{(2 - \tau e^{-\sigma})}} \quad (27)$$

Thus we have

Proposition 4.1 *If $\{(B_i^\alpha N^i), \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \dots, (n-1)\}$ be the field of linear frame of the Finsler space F^n and we consider $(B_i^\alpha N^i), \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \dots, (n-1)\}$ as a linear frame of the Finsler space ${}^* F^n$ such that (4.10) holds good along ${}^* F^{n-1}$ then b_i is tangential to both the hypersurfaces F^{n-1} and ${}^* F^{n-1}$.*

Now, we are going to examine, under what condition Matsumoto conformal change of the metric is projective also.

The quantities ${}^* B_i^\alpha$ are uniquely has been defined [10] along ${}^* F^{n-1}$ by

$${}^* B_i^\alpha = {}^* g^{\alpha\beta} {}^* g_{ij} B_\beta^j$$

where ${}^* g^{\alpha\beta}$ is the inverse matrix of ${}^* g_{\alpha\beta}$.

Let $({}^* B_i^\alpha, {}^* N_i)$ be the inverse matrix of (B_α^i, N^i) , then

$$B_\alpha^i {}^* B_i^\beta = \delta_\alpha^\beta, \quad B_\alpha^i {}^* N_i = 0, \quad {}^* N^i {}^* N_i = 1.$$

In the virtue of $B_\alpha^i {}^* B_j^\alpha + {}^* N^i {}^* N_j = \delta_j^i$ and ${}^* N_i = {}^* g_{ij} {}^* N^j$ the equations (6) and (27) give

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^*N_i &= {}^*g_{ij} {}^*N^j = \frac{N^j {}^*g_{ij}}{\tau \sqrt{2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}}} = \tau \sqrt{2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}} N_i, \\
 {}^*N_i &= \tau \sqrt{2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}} N_i.
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Differentiating equation (14) with respect to y^j and using $D_j^i = \frac{\partial D^i}{\partial y^j}$ and $N_j^i = \frac{\partial G^i}{\partial y^j}$, we get

$$D_j^i = {}^*N_j^i - N_j^i. \tag{29}$$

Further, contracting above equation by $N_i B_\alpha^j$ we have

$$N_i D_j^i B_\alpha^j = {}^*N_j^i N_i B_\alpha^j - N_j^i N_i B_\alpha^j,$$

\Rightarrow

$$N_i D_j^i B_\alpha^j = 0. \tag{30}$$

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[10]. A totally geodesic hypersurfaces is characterized by [2, 7, 12, 14] $H_\alpha = 0$.

From (22), (28) and (30) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^*H_\alpha &= {}^*N_i ({}^*B_{0\alpha}^i + {}^*N_j^i {}^*B_\alpha^j), \\
 &= {}^*N_i {}^*B_{0\alpha}^i + {}^*N_i D_j^i {}^*B_\alpha^j + {}^*N_i N_j^i {}^*B_\alpha^j, \\
 {}^*H_\alpha &= \tau \sqrt{2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}} H_\alpha + N_i D_j^i {}^*B_\alpha^j.
 \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

In view of equation (31) above equation gives

$${}^*H_\alpha = \tau \sqrt{2 - \tau e^{-\sigma}} H_\alpha \tag{32}$$

Thus we have

Theorem 4.1 *A hypersurface F^{n-1} of a Finsler space $F^n (n > 3)$ is totally geodesic iff the hypersurface ${}^*F^{(n-1)}$ of the space ${}^*F^n$ obtained from F^n by a projective Matsumoto conformal change, is also totally geodesic.*

5. Hypersurfaces of projectively flat Finsler spaces

In this section, we shall consider a projective Matsumoto conformal change with the Berwald connection $B\Gamma$ of $F^n = (M^n, L)$ and $B\Gamma$ on ${}^*F^n = ({}^*M^n, L)$. In the theory of projective changes in the Finsler spaces we have two essential projective invariants, one is the Weyle torsion W_{ij}^h and other is the Douglas tensor D_{ijk}^h , so the under projective Matsumoto conformal change, we get ${}^*W_{ij}^h = W_{ij}^h$ and ${}^*D_{ijk}^h = D_{ijk}^h$.

Now we are concerned with a projectively flat Finsler spaces defined as follows if there exist a projective change $L \rightarrow {}^*L$ of a Finsler space $F^n = (M^n, L)$ such that the Finsler space ${}^*F^n = ({}^*M^n, L)$ is a locally Minkowski space then F^n is called projectively flat Finsler space. Following two theorems [15] are well-known:

Theorem 5.1A *Finsler space $F^n (n > 2)$ is projectively flat iff $W_{ijk}^h = 0$ and $D_{ijk}^h = 0$.*

Theorem 5.2A *Finsler space $F^n (n > 3)$ is projectively flat then the totally geodesic hypersurfaces F^{n-1} is also projectively flat.*

Thus from theorem (18), theorem (5.1) and (5.2), we have

Theorem 5.3 *Let $F^n (n > 3)$ be a projectively flat Finsler space. If the hypersurfaces F^{n-1} is totally geodesic, then the hypersurfaces ${}^*F^{(n-1)}$ of the space ${}^*F^n$ obtained from F^n by a projective Matsumoto conformal change, is also projectively flat.*

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