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On Finsler Spaces Satisfying the Condition $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$

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Abstract

In the year 1979, M. Matsumoto has discussed non-Riemannian Finsler spaces with vanishing T-Tensor. In the paper, M. Matsumoto has shown that if a Finsler space M^n satisfy T -condition i.e. $T_{hijk} = 0$, Then for such a Finsler space the function L^2C^2 of M^n is a function of position only (i.e. $L^2C^2 = f(x)$), where L is fundamental function and C^2 is the square of length of torsion tensor C_i . In continuity of the above paper F. Ikeda in the year 1984, studied Finsler spaces L^2C^2 as a function of x in detail. In the year 1991, Ikeda considered Finsler spaces satisfying the condition L^2C^2 as to non-zero constant, which is a stronger condition. One of the author T. N. Pandey in the year 2012 studied Finsler spaces taken L^2C^2 equal to some known function of x and y i.e. $L^2C^2 = f(x) + f(y)$.

In the present paper we shall consider the combination of L and C differently and taking $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$, where γ is m^{th} root metric.

1. Introduction

M. Matsumoto in the paper, [9] studied non-Riemannian Finsler spaces with the vanishing T -tensor, which are said to satisfy the T -condition (by T -condition we mean a Finsler space whose T -tensor vanishes), then the function L^2C^2 over M^n is reduced to a function of the position only (i.e., $L^2C^2 = f(x)$) where L is the fundamental function and C is the length of torsion vector C_i .

He has also quoted that if the metric tensor g_{ij} has a special form as $g_{ij} = q_{ij}^{ls}$ then the function L^2C^2 becomes zero (i.e. $L^2C^2 = 0$). Because in this case the T -condition satisfies automatically and $C_i = 0$.

In the continuity of the above paper F.Ikeda in the year 1984, studies Finsler spaces, L^2C^2 is a function of x in detail and come out with some interesting result specially for two and three dimensional Finsler spaces. Actually Ikeda was examine the equivalence of T -condition with $L^2C^2 = f(x)$. In the year 1991, F. Ikeda consider Finsler spaces satisfying the condition L^2C^2 equals to non-zero constant, which is stronger condition, then the condition imposed by him in the paper 1984.

An example of such a Finsler spaces with a constant function L^2C^2 is a two dimensional Berwald space. One of the author (T. N. Pandey), in the year 2012 [2] studied Finsler spaces taken LC equal to some known function of x and y , i.e. $LC = f(x) + g(y)$.

In the present paper, we shall consider combination of L and C differently and taking $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$, where γ is well known M^{th} root metric. For such a Finsler space if it is C -reducible it has been worked out under what condition T -Tensor vanishes. In the last section it has been worked out under what condition such a Finsler space ($L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$) is a Landsberg space or Berwald space.

2. T-Tensor of a Finsler space with $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$

Let l_i , h_{ij} and C_{ijk} denote the unit vector, angular metric tensor and the (h) hv -torsion tensor respectively.

The well-known T -Tensor T_{ijkh} ([7], # equation (28.20)) has been defined by

$$T_{ijkh} = LC_{ijk|h} + C_{ijk}l_h + C_{jkh}l_i + C_{khi}l_j + C_{hij}l_k. \quad (2.1)$$

and the torsion Tensor C_i is given by $C_i = g^{jk}C_{ijk}$, where the symbol $|_h$ denote v -covariant differentiation and g^{jk} denote reciprocal of g_{jk} . We are considering a F^n whose torsion tensor is such that

$$L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m, \quad (2.2)$$

where $\gamma^m = a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_m} y^{i_1} y^{i_2} \dots y^{i_m}$ is the m^{th} root metric.

Differentiating equation (2.2) with respect to y^h , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (m+1)L^m l_h C + L^{m+1} C_{;h} &= m a_{hi_2 i_3 \dots i_m} y^{i_2} y^{i_3} \dots y^{i_m}, \\ (m+1)L l_h C + L^2 C_{;h} &= \frac{m}{L^{m-1}} a_{hi_2 i_3 \dots i_m} L^{m-1} l^{i_2} \dots l^{i_m}. \quad \left(\because \frac{y^i}{L} = l^i \right). \\ (m+1)L C l_h + L^2 C_{;h} &= m a_h \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

where $C_{;h} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial y^h}$ and $a_h = a_{hi_2i_3\dots i_m} l^{i_2} \dots l^{i_m}$.

Now,

$$T_{ijkh} = LC_{ijk|h} + C_{ijk}l_h + C_{jkh}l_i + C_{khi}l_j + C_{hij}l_k.$$

Contract with g^{jk} and summing with respect to j and k

$$\begin{aligned} T_{ih} &= LC_i|_h + C_i l_h + C_h l_i + C_{hi}^j l_j + C_{ih}^k l_k, \\ C^i T_{ih} &= LC_i|_h \cdot C^i + C^2 l_h. \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

Now, differentiating the equation $C^2 = g^{ij} C_i C_j$ with respect to y^h

$$\begin{aligned} 2CC_{;h} &= g^{ij} \frac{\partial C_i}{\partial y^h} C_j + g^{ij} \frac{\partial C_j}{\partial y^h} C_i, \\ C_{;h} &= \frac{C^i C_{i|h}}{C}. \end{aligned}$$

From (2.3),

$$\begin{aligned} (m+1)Ll_h C + L^2 \frac{C^i C_{i|h}}{C} &= ma_h, \\ LC^i C_{i|h} &= C \left[\frac{a_h}{L} m - (m+1)l_h C \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

In the virtue of equation (2.4) and equation (2.5), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} C^i T_{ih} &= C \left[m \frac{a_h}{L} - (m+1)l_h C \right] + C^2 l_h, \\ C^i T_{ih} &= mC \left(\frac{a_h}{L} - Cl_h \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Conversely, let

$$\begin{aligned} C^i T_{ih} &= mC \left(\frac{a_h}{L} - Cl_h \right), \\ LC^i C_{i|h} + C^2 l_h &= mC \left(\frac{a_h}{L} - Cl_h \right), \\ LC_{;h} + (m+1)Cl_h &= m \left(\frac{a_h}{L} \right), \quad \text{since} \quad C^i C_{i|h} = CC_{;h} \\ L^2 C_{;h} + (m+1)C L l_h &= ma_h. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying both side by L^{m-1} , we get

$$(L^{m+1}C)_{;h} = ma_h L^{m-1}.$$

Multiplying both side by y^h and using Euler's theorem, we get

$$\begin{aligned} L^{m+1}C &= a_h L^m l^h = a_{hi_2i_3\dots i_m} y^{i_2} y^{i_3} \dots y^{i_m} y^h, \\ L^{m+1}C &= \gamma^m. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

Theorem (2.1). For a Finsler space (M^n, L) of dimension n , if torsion Tensor C is such as $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$. Then following relation $C^i T_{ih} = mC(\frac{a_h}{L} - Cl_h)$ holds good.

Next, for a two dimensional Finsler space the T -Tensor ([7], # equation (28.3))

$$T_{hijk} = I_{;2} m_h m_i m_j m_k, \quad (2.7)$$

where $I_{;2} = L \frac{\partial I}{\partial y^i} m^i$, also $LC_{ijk} = I m_i m_j m_k$ and $LC = I$ ([7], # equation (28.3)).

Writing $LC = I$ in equation (2.2) and differentiating with respect to y^i , we have

$$(L^m I)_{;i} = \gamma_{;i}^m$$

$$m I l_i + I_{;2} m_i = m a_i \quad \text{since} \quad (L \frac{\partial I}{\partial y^i} = I_{;2} m_i).$$

Contracting both sides by m^i and we have,

$$I_{;2} = m m^i a_i.$$

From (2.5), we have

$$T_{hijk} = m a_r m^r m_h m_i m_j m_k. \quad (2.8)$$

Corollary (2.1). For a two dimensional Finsler space if $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$ and a_i is parallel to l_i , then $T_{hijk} = 0$.

Next, for a C -Reducible Finsler space the T -Tensor [7] can be written as,

$$T_{hijk} = \frac{LC^*}{(n-1)^2} \pi_{hijk} h_{hi} h_{jk}, \quad (2.9)$$

where $C^* = g^{ij} C_i|_j$ and π_{ijk} represent sum of cyclic permutation in the indices h, i, j, k .

Contracting equation (2.9) by g^{jk} , we get

$$T_{hi} = \frac{LC^*}{(n-1)} h_{hi}.$$

Using equation (2.4)

$$C^i T_{ih} = C^i \frac{L}{n-1} C^* h_{hi} = LC^* \frac{C_h}{n-1} = mC(\frac{a_h}{L} - Cl_h), \quad (2.10)$$

$$a_h = \frac{L}{m} \left[\frac{LC^* C_h}{C(n-1)} + mCl_h \right],$$

$$C^h a_h = \frac{L}{m} \left[\frac{LCC^*}{n-1} \right].$$

Corollary (2.2). For a C -Reducible Finsler space (M^n, L) with $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$ and a_i parallel to l_i , then

$$T_{hijk} = 0.$$

3. Landsberg space and Berwald spaces satisfying the condition $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$

Let us consider a Finsler space M^n , where C is such that

$$L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m.$$

Differentiating above equation with respect to y^i , we get

$$L^{m+1}C_{;i} + (m+1)L^m C l_i = m\gamma^{m-1}\gamma_i, \quad (3.1)$$

where $C_{;i} = \frac{\partial C}{\partial y^i}$ and $\gamma_i = \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial y^i}$. Differentiating equation (3.1) with respect to y^j , we get

$$\begin{aligned} (m+1)L^m l_j C_{;i} + L^{m+1}C_{;ij} + m(m+1)CL^{m-1}l_i l_j + (m+1)L^m C_{;j} l_i \\ + (m+1)CL^{m-1}h_{ij} = m(m-1)\gamma^{m-1}\gamma_i \gamma_j + m\gamma^{m-1}\gamma_{ij}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Using $h_{ij} = g_{ij} - l_i l_j$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} = \frac{1}{(m+1)C} \left[\frac{m\gamma^{m-2}}{L^{m-1}} \{ \gamma \gamma_{ij} + (m-1)\gamma_i \gamma_j \} - \{ (m+1)L(C_{;i} l_j + C_{;j} l_i) \right. \\ \left. + (m^2 - 1)C l_i l_j + L^2 \frac{\partial C_{;i}}{\partial y^j} \} \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Again differentiating equation (3.2) with respect to y^k , we get

$$\begin{aligned} C_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2(m+1)CL^{m-1}} \left[m\gamma^m \gamma_{ijk} + m(m-1)\gamma^{m-2}(\pi_{ijk}\gamma_i \gamma_{jk}) + m(m-1)(m-2)\gamma^{m-3}\gamma_i \gamma_j \gamma_k \right. \\ - L^{m+1}C_{;ij;k} - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k}) \\ - (m+1)mL^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i} l_j l_k) - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i} h_{jk}) \\ - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ \left. - m(m+1)(m-1)CL^{m-2}l_i l_j l_k \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Since

$$\gamma^m = a_{i_1 i_2 i_3 \dots i_m}(x) y^{i_1} y^{i_2} \dots y^{i_m}.$$

Differentiating above with respect to y^i and y^j and using obtained value in (3.4), then (3.4) becomes

$$C_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2(m+1)CL^{m-1}} \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k} \right. \\ - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k}) - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}l_j l_k) \\ - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}h_{jk}) - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2} \\ \left. C(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) - m(m+1)(m-1)L^{m-2}Cl_i l_j l_k \right], \quad (3.4)'$$

$$C_{ijk|h} = \frac{1}{2(m+1)CL^{m-1}} \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk|h} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k|h} \right. \\ - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k|h}) - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|h}l_j l_k) - (m \\ + 1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|h}h_{jk}) - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|h}(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ - m(m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|h}l_i l_j l_k \left. \right] + \frac{1}{2(m+1)} \left(\frac{1}{CL^{m-1}} \right)_{|h} \\ \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k} - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k}) \right. \\ - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}l_j l_k) - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}h_{jk}) - (m \\ - 1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) - m(m-1)(m+1)CL^{m-2}l_i l_j l_k \left. \right]. \quad (3.5)$$

Contracting equation (3.5) by y^h , we get

$$P_{ijk} = C_{ijk|h} y^h$$

$$y^h C_{ijk|h} = \frac{1}{2(m+1)CL^{m-1}} \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk|0} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k|0} \right. \\ - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k|0}) - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|0}l_j l_k) \\ - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|0}h_{jk}) - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|0}(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ - m(m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|0}l_i l_j l_k \left. \right] + \frac{1}{2(m+1)} \left(\frac{1}{CL^{m-1}} \right)_{|h} \\ \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k} - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k}) \right. \\ - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}l_j l_k) - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}h_{jk}) \\ - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \left. \right]$$

$$- m(m-1)(m+1)CL^{m-2}l_i l_j l_k \Big] \quad (3.6)$$

where P_{ijk} is the (V) hv -torsion tensor. The symbol $|_h$ denotes the h -covariant differentiation and the index '0' means contraction by y^h .

If we put $C_{ijk|_h} = 0$ and $P_{ijk} = 0$, respectively, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2(m+1)CL^{m-1}} \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk|_h} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k|_h} \right. \\ & - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k|_h}) - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|_h}l_j l_k) \\ & - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|_h}h_{jk}) - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|_h}(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ & \left. - m(m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|_h}l_i l_j l_k \right] + \frac{1}{2(m+1)} \left(\frac{1}{CL^{m-1}} \right)_{|_h} \\ & \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k} - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k}) \right. \\ & - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}l_j l_k) - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}h_{jk}) \\ & - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ & \left. - m(m-1)(m+1)CL^{m-2}l_i l_j l_k \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2(m+1)CL^{m-1}} \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk|0} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k|0} \right. \\ & - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k|0}) - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|0}l_j l_k) \\ & - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i|0}h_{jk}) - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|0}(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ & \left. - m(m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C_{|0}l_i l_j l_k \right] + \frac{1}{2(m+1)} \left(\frac{1}{CL^{m-1}} \right)_{|_h} \\ & \left[m(m-1)(m-2)L^{m-3}a_{ijk} - L^{m+1}C_{;i;j;k} - (m+1)L^m(\pi_{ijk}l_i C_{;j;k}) \right. \\ & - m(m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}l_j l_k) - (m+1)L^{m-1}(\pi_{ijk}C_{;i}h_{jk}) \\ & - (m-1)(m+1)L^{m-2}C(\pi_{ijk}l_i h_{jk}) \\ & \left. - m(m-1)(m+1)CL^{m-2}l_i l_j l_k \right] = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Therefore, we have

Theorem (3.1). If torsion scalar C of $F^n = (M^n, L)$ satisfies the condition $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$, then necessary and sufficient condition for M^n to be a Berwald space is that the equation (3.7) holds good.

Theorem (3.2). If torsion scalar C of $F^n = (M^n, L)$ satisfies the condition $L^{m+1}C = \gamma^m$, then necessary and sufficient condition for M^n to be a Landsberg space is that the equation (3.8) holds good.

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