

ON FINSLER SPACE OF RECURRENT CURVATURE TENSORS

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0. Summary

The Riemannian space of recurrent curvature was defined and studied by Ruse [8] and Walker [10]. In 1963, Móor [4] generalised this idea for Finsler spaces and defined and studied Finsler spaces of recurrent curvature. These spaces for various curvature tensors have subsequently been studied by Mishra and Pande [1], Sen [9] and Misra [3] etc. The purpose of the present paper is to study Finsler space based on the recurrency of the curvature tensors derived from non-linear connections.

1. Introduction

Let $X^i(x^k)$ and $Y_j(x^k)$ be two differentiable vector fields in a Finsler space F_n with metric tensor $g_{ij}(x, X)$ and non-linear connections $\Gamma_k^i(x, X)$ and $\Gamma_{jk}^2(x, Y)$, positively homogeneous of first degree in X and Y respectively, then we have Rund [6]:

$$(1.1) \quad \Gamma_{jk}^1 = \Delta_j \Gamma_k^1, \quad X^j \Gamma_{jk}^1 = \Gamma_k^1$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \Gamma_{jk}^2 = \Delta^i \Gamma_{jk}^2, \quad Y_i \Gamma_{jk}^2 = \Gamma_{jk}^2,$$

where $\Delta_j = \partial/\partial X^j$ and $\Delta^i = \partial/\partial Y_i$.

Let us suppose that if X^i undergoes a parallel displacement then so does $Y_i = g_{ij}X^j$, such that the length of a vector remains unchanged under parallel displacement, then we have [6]:

$$(1.3) \quad 2G^i = \Gamma_k^i X^k + g^{ih} Y_j (\Gamma_{hk}^j X^k - \Gamma_h^j).$$

Assuming geodesics to be auto-parallel curves of F_n we get

$$(1.4) \quad 2G^i = \Gamma_k^i X^k,$$

such that

$$(1.5) \quad \Gamma_{hj}^1 = G_{hj}^i + \frac{1}{2} \{S_{hj}^i - X^k \Delta_j S_{hk}^i\}$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad \Gamma_{ik}^2 = \Gamma_{ik}^h + Y_j \Delta^h \Gamma_{ik}^j$$

where

$$S_{hk}^i = 2\Gamma_{[hk]}^i.$$

The covariant derivative of a tensor $T_j^i(x, X)$ is defined by [2]:

$$(1.7) \quad T_{j,k}^i(x, X) = \partial_k T_j^i + (\Delta_m T_j^i)(\partial_k X^m) + T_j^m \Gamma_{mk}^i - T_m^i \Gamma_{jk}^m$$

The two curvature tensors based on these coefficients of connections are given by [2]:

$$(1.8) \quad R_{jkh}^1(x, X) = 2\{\partial_{[h} \Gamma_{j|k]}^1 + (\Delta_m \Gamma_{j[k]}^1)(\partial_k X^m) + \Gamma_{j[k]}^m \Gamma_{|m|h]}^1\}$$

and

$$(1.9) \quad R_{jkh}^2(x, Y) = 2\{\partial_{[h} \Gamma_{j|k]}^2 + (\Delta_m \Gamma_{j[k]}^2)(\partial_h Y_m) + \Gamma_{j[k]}^m \Gamma_{|m|h]}^2\}$$

and satisfy

$$(1.10) \quad X^j R_{jkh}^1 = R_{kh}^i, \quad Y_j R_{khl}^2 = R_{khl}^2,$$

such that

$$(1.11)a \quad R_{jkh}^1(x, X) = \Delta_j R_{kh}^1 + 2(\Delta_j \Gamma_{m[k]}^1) X_{,h}^m$$

and

$$(1.11)b \quad R_{jkh}^2(x, Y) = \Delta^i R_{jkh}^2 + 2(\Delta^i \Gamma_{j[k]}^2) Y_{|m|h}$$

2. Recurrent curvature tensors

DEFINITION 2.1. If in a non-flat Finsler space F_n the curvature tensors R_{jkh}^1 , R_{jkh}^2 , R_{kh}^1 and R_{jkh}^2 satisfy

$$(2.1)a \quad R_{jkh,l}^1 = \lambda_l R_{jkh}^1$$

$$(2.1)b \quad R_{jkh,l}^2 = \lambda_l R_{jkh}^2$$

$$(2.1)c \quad R_{kh,l}^1 = \lambda_l R_{kh}^1$$

and

$$(2.1)d \quad \overset{2}{R}_{jkh,l} = \lambda_l \overset{2}{R}_{jkh},$$

respectively, for a non-null covariant vector λ_l , then they are called *R-recurrent curvature tensors of various types* respectively.

DEFINITION 2.2. If $\overset{1}{R}_{jki} \underline{\text{def}} \overset{1}{R}_{jk}$, $\overset{2}{R}_{jki} \underline{\text{def}} \overset{2}{R}_{jk}$, $\overset{1}{R}_{ijk} \underline{\text{def}} \overset{1}{R}'_{jk}$, $\overset{2}{R}_{ijk} \underline{\text{def}} \overset{2}{R}'_{jk}$, $\overset{1}{R}_{jkh} \underline{\text{def}} g_{ir} \overset{1}{R}_{jkh}$, $\overset{2}{R}_{jkh} \underline{\text{def}} g_{ir} \overset{2}{R}_{jkh}$, $\overset{1}{R}_{khr} \underline{\text{def}} g_{ir} \overset{1}{R}_{kh}$ and $\overset{2}{R}_{jk} \underline{\text{def}} g^{ir} \overset{2}{R}_{jkr}$ satisfy

$$(2.2)a \quad \overset{1}{R}_{jk,l}^i = \lambda_l \overset{1}{R}_{jk}^i,$$

$$(2.2)b \quad \overset{2}{R}_{jk,l}^i = \lambda_l \overset{2}{R}_{jk}^i,$$

$$(2.2)c \quad \overset{1}{R}'_{jk,l} = \lambda_l \overset{1}{R}'_{jk},$$

$$(2.2)d \quad \overset{2}{R}'_{jk,l} = \lambda_l \overset{2}{R}'_{jk},$$

$$(2.2)e \quad \overset{1}{R}_{jkh,l} = \lambda_l \overset{1}{R}_{jkh},$$

$$(2.2)f \quad \overset{2}{R}_{jkh,l} = \lambda_l \overset{2}{R}_{jkh},$$

$$(2.2)g \quad \overset{1}{R}_{khr,l} = \lambda_l \overset{1}{R}_{khr},$$

and

$$(2.2)h \quad \overset{2}{R}_{jk,l}^i = \lambda_l \overset{2}{R}_{jk}^i,$$

respectively, then the various curvature tensors given in the definition are called *R-recurrent curvature tensors* respectively.

Multiplying equations (2.1)a and (2.1)b by X^j and Y_i , respectively we get on simplification

$$(2.3)a \quad \overset{1}{R}_{kh,l}^i = \lambda_l \overset{1}{R}_{kh}^i - X^j_{,l} \overset{1}{R}_{jkh}^i$$

and

$$(2.3)b \quad \overset{2}{R}_{jkh,l} = \lambda_l \overset{2}{R}_{jkh} - Y_{i,l} \overset{2}{R}_{jkh}^i,$$

which by virtue of equations (2.1)c and (2.1)d imply;

THEOREM 2.1. If R_{jkh}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} are R -recurrent curvature tensors, then the necessary and sufficient conditions for R_{jk}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} to be R -recurrent are given by $X^j_{,l} R_{jkh}^{1i} = 0$ and $Y_{i,l} R_{jkh}^{2i} = 0$, respectively.

Differentiating (2.1)c and (2.1)d partially with respect to X^j and Y_i respectively and using equations (1.11)a and (1.11)b we obtain on simplification

$$(2.4)a \quad R_{jkh,l}^{1i} - \lambda_l R_{jkh}^{1i} = (\Delta_j \lambda_l) R_{kh}^{1i} - 2\lambda_l (\Delta_j \Gamma_{m[k}^{1i}) X^m_{,h]} \\ - (\Delta_m R_{kh}^{1i}) \Gamma_{jl}^m - R_{kh}^m \Delta_j \Gamma_{ml}^{1i} + R_{mh}^{1i} \Delta_j \Gamma_{kl}^m \\ + R_{km}^{1i} \Delta_j \Gamma_{hl}^m + 2\{(\Delta_j \Gamma_{m[k}^{1i}) X^m_{,h]}\}_{,l} - (\Delta_m R_{kh}^{1i}) \Delta_j (\partial_l X^m)$$

$$(2.4)b \quad R_{jkh,l}^{2i} - \lambda_l R_{jkh}^{2i} = (\Delta^i \lambda_l) R_{jkh}^{2i} - 2\lambda_l (\Delta^i \Gamma_{j[k}^{2m}) Y_{|m|,h]} \\ + 2\{(\Delta^i \Gamma_{j[k}^{2m}) Y_{|m|,h]}\}_{,l} - (\Delta^m R_{jkh}^{2i}) \Delta^i (\partial_l Y_m) \\ + (\Delta^m R_{jkh}^{2i}) \Gamma_{ml}^{1i} + R_{mkk}^2 \Delta^i \Gamma_{jl}^m \\ + R_{jmh}^2 \Delta^i \Gamma_{kl}^m + R_{jkm}^2 \Gamma_{kl}^m$$

respectively. From equations (2.4)a and (2.4)b by virtue of equations (2.1)a and (2.1)b we obtain;

THEOREM 2.2. If R_{kh}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} are R -recurrent curvature tensors then the necessary and sufficient condition for R_{jkh}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} to be R -recurrent is given by the vanishing of the right hand side of (2.4)a and (2.4)b respectively.

Multiplying equations (2.1)a and (2.1)b by g_{ir} we get

$$(2.5)a \quad R_{jkh,r,l}^1 = \lambda_l R_{jkh,r}^1 + g_{ir,l} R_{jkh}^1$$

and

$$(2.5)b \quad R_{jkh,r,l}^2 = \lambda_l R_{jkh,r}^2 + g_{ir,l} R_{jkh}^2$$

which by definition (2.2) and equations (2.2)e and (2.2)f lead to;

THEOREM 2.3. If R_{jkh}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} are R -recurrent tensors then their associates will be R -recurrent iff $g_{ir,l} R_{jkh}^{1i} = 0$ and $g_{ir,l} R_{jkh}^{2i} = 0$, respectively.

Differentiating relations $R_{jk}^1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g^{hr} R_{jkh}^1$ and $R_{jk}^2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} g^{hr} R_{jkh}^2$ with respect to x^l covariantly and using (2.2)a, (2.2)b and (2.2)e, (2.2)f we obtain

$$(2.6)a \quad g^{hr}{}_{,l} R_{jkh}^1 = 0$$

and

$$(2.6)b \quad g^{hr}{}_{,l} R_{jkh}^2 = 0,$$

which leads to;

THEOREM 2.4. *If any two of the following are satisfied:*

(i) R_{jk}^1 is R -recurrent (R_{jk}^2 is R -recurrent),

(ii) R_{jkh}^1 is R -recurrent (R_{jkh}^2 is R -recurrent),

(iii) $g^{hr}{}_{,l} R_{jkh}^1 = 0$ ($g^{hr}{}_{,l} R_{jkh}^2 = 0$),

then the third is also satisfied.

REMARK. A similar theorem can be established for R'_{jk} and R'_{jk} .

3. Some special cases

If we consider the covariant differentiation due to Berwald of a tensor $T_j^i(x, X)$ and denote it by $T_{j(h)}^i$, Rund [7], then we can easily establish the following:

$$(3.1) \quad T_{j,h}^i = T_{j(h)}^i + (\Delta_m T_j^i)(\partial_h X^m - \Delta_h G^m) \\ + \frac{1}{2} T_j^m \{S_{mh}^i - X^k \Delta_h S_{mk}^i\} \\ - T_m^i \{Y_p \Delta^m \Gamma_{jh}^p + \frac{1}{2} (S_{jh}^m - X^k \Delta_h S_{jk}^m)\}.$$

Since we know that [5]:

$$(3.2) \quad R_{kh}^i = 2(H_{kh}^i - M_{kh}^i),$$

where

$$(3.3) \quad M_{kh}^i = \{\partial_{[h} (\Gamma_{k]l}^i X^l) + G_{[h|m]}^i (\Gamma_{k]l}^m X^l + \Gamma_{k]l}^m) - \Gamma_{[k}^m \Gamma_{h]m}^i\},$$

therefore by virtue of (3.1) and (3.2) we obtain on simplification

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.4) \quad R_{kh,j}^{1i} &= 2[H_{kh(j)}^i + (\Delta_m H_{kh}^i)(\partial_j X^m - \Delta_j G^m) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}H_{kh}^m(S_{mj}^i - X^p \Delta_j S_{mp}^i) \\
&\quad - H_{km}^i \{Y_p \Delta^m \Gamma_{hj}^{1p} + \frac{1}{2}(S_{hj}^m - X^p \Delta_j S_{hp}^m)\} \\
&\quad - H_{mh}^i \{Y_p \Delta^m \Gamma_{kj}^{1p} + \frac{1}{2}(S_{kj}^m - X^p \Delta_j S_{kp}^m)\} \\
&\quad - M_{kh,j}^i].
\end{aligned}$$

Now applying equation (2.1)c and the fact that Finsler space F_n is H -recurrent, i.e., it satisfies $H_{kh(j)}^i = \lambda_j H_{kh}^i$, we obtain;

THEOREM 3.1. *If the tensor R_{kh}^{1i} is R -recurrent and H_{kh}^i is H -recurrent, then the necessary and sufficient condition for M_{kh}^i to be R -recurrent is given by*

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\Delta_m H_{kh}^i)(\partial_j X^m - \Delta_j G^m) + H_{kh}^m \Gamma_{mj}^{1i} - H_{km}^i \Gamma_{hj}^{2m} - H_{mh}^i \Gamma_{kj}^{2m} \\
&- H_{kh}^m G_{mj}^i + H_{km}^i G_{hj}^m + H_{mh}^i G_{kj}^m = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since we know that [5]:

$$(3.5) \quad R_{jkh}^{1i} = 2(H_{jkh}^i - M_{jkh}^i),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.6) \quad M_{jkh}^i &= \{\Delta_j \partial_{[h} (\Gamma_{k]l}^{1i} X^l) - (\Delta_j \Gamma_{m[k}^{1i} X_{,h]}^m - \Gamma_{[k}^{1m} \Delta_j \Gamma_{h]m}^{1i} - \Gamma_{j[k}^{1m} \Gamma_{h]m}^{1i} \\
&\quad + G_{[h|m]}^i (2\Gamma_{(k)j}^{1m} + X^l \Delta_j \Gamma_{kl}^{1m})\}.
\end{aligned}$$

therefore by similar calculation as above we can obtain;

THEOREM 3.2. *If the tensor R_{jkh}^{1i} is R -recurrent and H_{jkh}^i is H -recurrent, then the necessary and sufficient condition for M_{jkh}^i to be R -recurrent is given by*

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\Delta_m H_{jkh}^i)(\partial_l X^m - \Delta_l G^m) + H_{jkh}^m \Gamma_{ml}^{1i} - H_{mkh}^i \Gamma_{jl}^{2m} \\
&- H_{jmh}^i \Gamma_{kl}^{2m} - H_{jkm}^i \Gamma_{hl}^{2m} - H_{jkh}^m G_{ml}^i + H_{mkh}^i G_{jl}^m \\
&+ H_{jmh}^i G_{kl}^m + H_{jkm}^i G_{hl}^m = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Since we know that [5]:

$$(3.7) \quad R_{jkh}^{2l} = R_{jkh}^{1l} + Y_i \Delta^l R_{jkh}^{1i} + L_{jkh}^l,$$

where

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} L_{jkh}^l = & 2[\partial_{[h} Y_i (\Delta^l \Gamma_{|j|k]}^{1i}) + \Gamma_{j[k}^{1i} \Delta^l (\partial_{h]} Y_i \\ & - (\Delta^l \Delta_m \Gamma_{j[k}^{1i}) (Y_i \partial_{h]} X^m - Y_i \Gamma_{|p|h]}^2 g^{pm}) \\ & - \Delta_m \Gamma_{j[k}^{1l} (\partial_{h]} X^m - \Gamma_{|p|h]}^2 g^{pm}) - (\Delta_m \Gamma_{j[k}^{1i}) \\ & Y_i \{ \Delta^l \partial_{h]} X^m - \Delta^l (\Gamma_{|r|h]}^2 g^{rm}) \}], \end{aligned}$$

therefore differentiating (3.7) covariantly with respect to x^r we obtain

$$(3.9) \quad R_{jkh,r}^{2l} = R_{jkh,r}^{1l} + Y_{i,r} \Delta^l R_{jkh}^{1i} + Y_i (\Delta^l R_{jkh}^{1i})_{,r} + L_{jkh,r}^l,$$

which by virtue of equations (2.1)a and (2.1)b leads to;

THEOREM 3.3. *If R_{jkh}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} are R-recurrent, then the necessary and sufficient condition for L_{jkh}^i to be R-recurrent is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} & Y_{i,r} \Delta^l R_{jkh}^{1i} + Y_i \{ (\Delta^l \lambda_r) R_{jkh}^{1i} - (\Delta^m R_{jkh}^{1i}) \Delta^l (\partial_r X^m) \\ & - (\Delta_m R_{jkh}^{1i}) g^{pl} \Gamma_{pr}^{2m} - (\Delta^l \Gamma_{mr}^{1i}) R_{jkh}^m + (\Delta^l \Gamma_{jr}^{2m}) R_{mki}^2 \\ & + R_{jmh}^{2i} \Delta^l \Gamma_{kr}^{2m} + R_{jkm}^{2i} \Delta^l \Gamma_{hr}^{2m} + g_{,r}^{pl} (\Delta_p R_{jkh}^{1i}) \} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Further from equation (3.9) one can easily establish;

THEOREM 3.4. *The necessary and sufficient condition for both R_{jkh}^{1i} and R_{jkh}^{2i} to be R-recurrent is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} & Y_{i,r} \Delta^l R_{jkh}^{1i} + Y_i \{ (\Delta^l \lambda_r) R_{jkh}^{1i} - (\Delta^m R_{jkh}^{1i}) \Delta^l (\partial_r X^m) \\ & - (\Delta^m R_{jkh}^{1i}) g^{pl} \Gamma_{pr}^{2m} - R_{jkh}^m \Delta^l \Gamma_{mr}^{1i} + R_{mki}^2 \Delta^l \Gamma_{jr}^{2m} \\ & + R_{jmh}^{2i} \Delta^l \Gamma_{kr}^{2m} + R_{jkm}^{2i} \Delta^l \Gamma_{hr}^{2m} + g_{,r}^{pl} (\Delta_p R_{jkh}^{1i}) \} \\ & + L_{jkh,r}^l - \lambda_r L_{jkh}^l = 0. \end{aligned}$$

DEFINITION 3.1. If in a Finsler space F_n , non-linear connection coefficient Γ_{ik}^{1h} is independent of X^i , then it will be called a *generalised affinely connected space* and will be abbreviated as *GAC-space*.

From the above definition we can observe that F_n is a GAC-space if it satisfies

$$(3.10) \quad \Delta_i \Gamma_{hj}^{1i} = 0,$$

which by virtue of (1.5) implies that

$$(3.11) \quad \Delta_i G_{hj}^i = 0.$$

Hence;

THEOREM 3.5. *Every GAC-space F_n is affinely connected but the converse is not true.*

Futher from equation (1.5) for a GAC-space F_n one can easily obtain

$$(3.12) \quad \Gamma_{hj}^{1i} + \Gamma_{jh}^{1i} = 2G_{hj}^i,$$

which together with (1.6) and (3.11) leads to

$$(3.13) \quad \Gamma_{hj}^{2i} + \Gamma_{jh}^{2i} = 2\Gamma_{hj}^{*i},$$

where Γ_{hj}^{*i} is Cartan's coefficient of connection [7].

In case of a GAC-space F_n , one can easily establish

$$(3.14) \quad g_{ir,l} = 0,$$

which together with theorem (2.3) implies;

THEOREM 3.6. *For a GAC-space F_n , if $R_{jkh}^{1i} (R_{jkh}^{2i})$ is R-recurrent then $R_{jkh}^{1i} (R_{jkh}^{2i})$ is also R-recurrent and conversely.*

REMARKS. i) A theorem similar to above follows from theorem (2.4) also.

ii) In case Γ_{jk}^{1i} is symmetric and the space F_n is affinely connected we can observe that $g_{ir,l} = 0$. Thus theorem (3.6) can also be obtained alternatively.

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