

## Invariant infinite series metrics on reduced $\Sigma$ -spaces

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we study the geometric properties of Finsler  $\Sigma$ -spaces. We prove that Infinite series  $\Sigma$ -spaces are Riemannian.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $M$  be a  $C^\infty$  manifold and  $\mu : M \times M \rightarrow M$ ,  $\mu(x, y) = x.y$  be a differentiable multiplication. The space  $M$  with the multiplication  $\mu$  is said to be symmetric if the following conditions hold:

- (1)  $x.x = x$
- (2)  $x.(x.y) = y$
- (3)  $x.(y.z) = (x.y)(x.z)$
- (4) Every point  $x$  has a neighborhood  $U$  such that  $x.y = y$  implies  $y = x$ , for all  $y \in U$ .

The notion of symmetric spaces is due to E. Cartan and reformulated by O. Loos as pair  $(M, \mu)$  with conditions (1) – (4) in [18]. A. J. Ledger [15, 16] initiated the study later, generalized symmetric spaces or regular  $s$ -spaces. Let  $M$  be a  $C^\infty$ -manifold with a family of maps  $\{s_x\}_{x \in M}$ . The space  $M$  is said to be a regular  $s$ -space if the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $s_x x = x$ ,
- (b)  $s_x$  is a diffeomorphism,
- (c)  $s_x \circ s_y = s_{s_x y} \circ s_x$ ,

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(d)  $(s_x)_*$  has only one fixed vector, the zero vector.

$\Sigma$ -spaces and reduced  $\Sigma$ -spaces were first introduced by O. Loos [18] as generalisation of reflection spaces and symmetric spaces [19]. They include also the class of regular  $s$ -manifolds [9].

The definition of symmetric Finsler space is a natural generalization of E. Cartan's definition of Riemannian symmetric spaces. We call a Finsler space  $(M, F)$  as a symmetric Finsler space if for any point  $p \in M$  there exists an involutive isometry  $s_p$  of  $(M, F)$  such that  $p$  is an isolated fixed point of  $s_p$ .

If we drop the involution property in the definition of symmetric Finsler space keeping the property  $s_x \circ s_y = s_z \circ s_x$ ,  $z = s_x(y)$  we get a bigger class of Finsler manifolds as symmetric Finsler spaces [6, 8, 10, 22]. Finsler  $\Sigma$ -spaces were first proposed and studied by the second authors in [11].

## 2. Preliminaries

A Finsler metric on a  $C^\infty$  manifold of dimension  $n$ , is a function  $F : TM \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  which has the following properties:

- (i)  $F$  is  $C^\infty$  on  $TM_0 = TM \setminus \{0\}$ ,
- (ii)  $F$  is positively 1-homogeneous on the fibers of tangent bundle  $TM$ ,
- (iii) For any non-zero  $y \in T_x M$ , the fundamental tensor  $g_y : T_x M \times T_x M \rightarrow R$  on  $T_x M$  is positive definite,

$$g_y(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} [F^2(y + su + tv)]|_{s=t=0}, \quad u, v \in T_x M.$$

Then  $(M, F)$  is called an  $n$ -dimensional Finsler manifold.

One of the main quantities in Finsler geometry is the flag curvature which is defined as follows:

$$K(P, y) = \frac{g_y(R(u, y)y, u)}{g_y(y, y)g_y(u, u) - g_y^2(y, u)},$$

where  $P = \text{Span}\{u, y\}$  is a 2-plane in  $T_x M$ ,

$$R(u, y)y = \nabla_u \nabla_y y - \nabla_y \nabla_u y - \nabla_{[u, y]} y$$

and  $\nabla$  is the Chern connection induced by  $F$  [5, 21].

For a Finsler metric  $F$  on  $n$ -dimensional manifold  $M$ , the Busemann-Hausdorff volume form  $dV_F = \sigma_F(x) dx^1 \dots dx^n$  is defined by

$$\sigma_F(x) = \frac{\text{Vol}(B^n(1))}{\text{Vol}\{(y^i) \in R^n | F(y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i})|_x < 1\}}.$$

Let

$$G^i := \frac{1}{4} g^{il} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 (F^2)}{\partial x^k \partial y^i} y^k - \frac{\partial (F^2)}{\partial x^l} \right],$$

denote the geodesic coefficients of  $F$  in the same local coordinate system. The  $S$ –curvature can be defined by

$$\mathbf{S}(y) = \frac{\partial G^i}{\partial y^i}(x, y) - y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} [\ln \sigma_F(x)],$$

where  $y = y^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} |_x \in T_x M$  (see [5]). The Finsler metric  $F$  is said to be of isotropic  $\mathbf{S}$ –curvature if

$$\mathbf{S} = (n + 1)cF,$$

where  $c = c(x)$  is a scalar function on  $M$ .

Let  $(M, F)$  be an  $n$ –dimensional Finsler manifold. The non-Riemannian quantity  $\Xi$ –curvature  $\Xi = \Xi_i dx^i$  on the tangent bundle  $TM$ , is defined by

$$\Xi_i = \mathbf{S}_{.i|m} y^m - \mathbf{S}_{|i},$$

where  $S$  denotes the  $S$ –curvature, “.” and “|” denote the vertical and horizontal covariant derivatives, respectively. We say that a Finsler metric have almost vanishing  $\Xi$ –curvature if

$$\Xi_i = -(n + 1)F^2 \left( \frac{\theta}{F} \right)_{y^i},$$

where  $\theta = \theta_i(x)y^i$  is a 1-form on  $M$  [21, 7].

### 3. $(\alpha, \beta)$ – $\Sigma$ – spaces

We first recall the definition and some basic results concerning  $\Sigma$ –spaces [17].

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $M$  be a smooth connected manifold,  $\Sigma$  a Lie group, and  $\mu : M \times \Sigma \times M \rightarrow M$  a smooth map. Then the triple  $(M, \Sigma, \mu)$  is a  $\Sigma$ –space if it satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} (\Sigma_1): \quad & \mu(x, \sigma, x) = x, \\ (\Sigma_2): \quad & \mu(x, e, y) = y, \\ (\Sigma_3): \quad & \mu(x, \sigma, \mu(x, \tau, y)) = \mu(x, \sigma\tau, y) \\ (\Sigma_5): \quad & \mu(x, \sigma, \mu(y, \tau, z)) = \mu(\mu(x, \sigma, y), \sigma\tau\sigma^{-1}, \mu(x, \sigma, z)) \end{aligned}$$

where  $x, y, z \in M$ ,  $\sigma, \tau \in \Sigma$  and  $e$  is the identity element of  $\Sigma$ . The triple  $(M, \Sigma, \mu)$  is usually dinoted by  $M$ .

For a fixed point  $x \in M$  we define a map  $\sigma_x : M \rightarrow M$  by  $\sigma_x(y) = \mu(x, \sigma, y)$  and a map  $\sigma^x : M \rightarrow M$  by  $\sigma^x(y) = \sigma_y(x)$ . with respect to these maps the above conditions become

$$\begin{aligned} (\Sigma'_1): \quad & \sigma_x(x) = x, \\ (\Sigma'_2): \quad & e_x = id_M, \\ (\Sigma'_3): \quad & \sigma_x \tau_x = (\sigma\tau)_x \\ (\Sigma'_4): \quad & \sigma_x \tau_y \sigma_x^{-1} = (\sigma\tau\sigma^{-1})\sigma_x(y). \end{aligned}$$

For each  $x \in M$  by  $\Sigma_x$  we denote the image of  $\Sigma$  under the map  $\Sigma \longrightarrow \Sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma \longrightarrow \sigma_x$ . For each  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  we define (1,1) tensor field  $S^\sigma$  on the  $\Sigma$ -space  $M$  by

$$S^\sigma X_x = (\sigma_x)_* X_x \quad \forall x \in M, X_x \in T_x M.$$

Clearly  $S^\sigma$  is smooth.

**Definition 3.2.** A  $\Sigma$ -space  $M$  is a reduced  $\Sigma$ -space if for each  $x \in M$ ,

- (1)  $T_x M$  is generated by the set of all  $\sigma^x(X_x)$ , that is

$$T_x M = \text{gen}\{(I - S^\sigma)X_x | X_x \in T_x M, \sigma \in \Sigma\},$$

- (2) If  $X_x \in T_x M$  and  $\sigma^x X_x = 0$  for all  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  then  $X_x = 0$ , and thus no non-zero vector in  $T_x M$  is fixed by all  $S^\sigma$ .

**Definition 3.3.** A Finsler  $\Sigma$ -space, denoted by  $(M, \Sigma, F)$  is a reduced  $\Sigma$ -space together with a Finsler metric  $F$  which is invariant under  $\Sigma_p$  for  $p \in M$ .

**Definition 3.4.** let  $\alpha = \sqrt{\tilde{a}_{ij}(x)y^i y^j}$  be a norm induced by a Riemannian metric  $\tilde{a}$  and  $\beta(x, y) = b_i(x)y^i$  be a 1-form on an n-dimensional manifold  $M$ , and let

$$\|\beta(x)\|_\alpha := \sqrt{\tilde{a}^{ij} b_i(x) b_j(x)}. \quad (3.1)$$

Now, the function  $F$  is defined by,

$$F := \alpha \phi(s) \quad s = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}, \quad (3.2)$$

where  $\phi = \phi(s)$  is a positive  $C^\infty$  function on  $(-b_0, b_0)$  satisfying

$$\phi(s) - s\phi'(s) + (b^2 - s^2)\phi''(s) > 0, \quad |s| \leq b < b_0. \quad (3.3)$$

Then by lemma 1.1.2 of [3],  $F$  is a Finsler metric if  $\|\beta(x)\|_\alpha < b_0$  for any  $x \in M$ . A Finsler metric in the form (3.2) is called an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric [1,3]. A Finsler space having the Finsler function,

$$F(x, y) = \frac{\beta^2(x, y)}{\beta(x, y) - \alpha(x, y)}, \quad (3.4)$$

is called a Finsler space with an infinite series  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric.

now we present the main results

**Lemma 3.5.** Let  $(M, \Sigma, F)$  be an infinite series  $\Sigma$ -space with  $F = \frac{\beta^2}{\beta - \alpha}$  defined by the Riemannian metric  $\tilde{a}$  and the vector field  $X$ . Then  $(M, \Sigma, \tilde{a})$  is a Riemannian  $\Sigma$ -space.

*Proof.* Let  $\sigma_x$  be a diffeomorphism  $\sigma_x : M \longrightarrow M$  defined by  $\sigma_x(y) = \mu(x, \sigma, y)$ . Then for  $p \in M$  and for any  $Y \in T_p M$  we have

$$F(p, Y) = F(\sigma_x(p), d\sigma_x(Y)),$$

Applying equation (3.4) we get

$$\frac{\tilde{a}(X_p, y)^2}{\tilde{a}(X_p, y) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}} = \frac{\tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y))^2}{\tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y)) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x(y), d\sigma_x(y))}},$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{a}(X_p, y)^2 \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y)) - \tilde{a}(X_p, y)^2 \sqrt{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x(y), d\sigma_x(y))} \\ &= \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y))^2 \tilde{a}(X_p, y) - \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y))^2 \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Applying the above equation to  $-Y$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{a}(X_p, y)^2 \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y)) + \tilde{a}(X_p, y)^2 \sqrt{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x(y), d\sigma_x(y))} \\ &= \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y))^2 \tilde{a}(X_p, y) + \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y))^2 \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Applying equations (3.5) and (3.6), we get

$$\tilde{a}(X_p, y) = \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y)) \quad (3.7)$$

Subtracting equation (3.5) from equation (3.6) and using equation (3.7), we get

$$\tilde{a}(y, y) = \tilde{a}(d\sigma_x(y), d\sigma_x(y))$$

Thus  $\sigma_x$  is an isometry with respect to the Riemannian metric  $\tilde{a}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $(M, \Sigma, \tilde{a})$  be a Riemannian  $\Sigma$ –space. Let  $F$  be an infinite series defined by the Riemannian metric  $\tilde{a}$  and the vector field  $X$ . Then  $(M, \Sigma, F)$  is an infinite series  $\Sigma$ –space if and only if  $X$  is  $\sigma_x$ –invariant for all  $x \in M$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be  $\sigma_x$ –invariant. Then for any  $p \in M$ , we have  $X_{\sigma_x(p)} = d\sigma_x X_p$ . Then for any  $y \in T_p M$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(\sigma_x(p), d\sigma_x y_p) &= \frac{\tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x y_p)^2}{\tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x y_p) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x y_p, d\sigma_x y_p)}} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x X_p, d\sigma_x y_p)^2}{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x X_p, d\sigma_x y_p) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x y_p, d\sigma_x y_p)}} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{a}(X_p, y_p)^2}{\tilde{a}(X_p, y_p) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y_p, y_p)}} \\ &= F(p, y_p). \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, let  $F$  be a  $\Sigma_M$ –invariant. Then for any  $p \in M$  and  $y \in T_p M$ , we have

$$F(p, Y) = F(\sigma_x(p), d\sigma_x(Y))$$

Applying the lemma (3.5) we have

$$\tilde{a}(X_p, y) = \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y))$$

which implies

$$\tilde{a}(y, y) = \tilde{a}(d\sigma_x(y), d\sigma_x(y)) \quad (3.8)$$

Combining the equation (3.7) and (3.8) , we get

$$\tilde{a}(X_x, y) = \tilde{a}(X_{\sigma_x(p)}, d\sigma_x(y)) \quad (3.9)$$

Therefore  $d\sigma_x X_p = X_{\sigma_x(p)}$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** *An infinite series  $\Sigma$ -space must be Riemannian*

*Proof.* Let  $(M, \Sigma, F)$  be an infinite series  $\Sigma$ -space with  $F = \frac{\beta^2}{\beta - \alpha}$  defined by the Riemannian metric  $\tilde{a}$  and the vector field  $X$ . Let  $\sigma_x$  be a diffeomorphism defined by  $\sigma_x(y) = \mu(x, \sigma, y)$ . by lemma (3.5)  $(M, \Sigma, \tilde{a})$  is a Riemannian  $\Sigma$ -space. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, d\sigma_x y) &= \frac{\tilde{a}(X_x, d\sigma_x(y))^2}{\tilde{a}(X_x, d\sigma_x(y)) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(d\sigma_x(y), d\sigma_x(y))}} \\ &= \frac{\tilde{a}(X_x, d\sigma_x(y))^2}{\tilde{a}(X_x, d\sigma_x(y)) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}} \\ &= F(x, y). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\tilde{a}(X_x, d\sigma_x y) = \tilde{a}(X_x, y)$ ,  $\forall y \in T_x M$ . The tangent map  $S^\sigma = (d\sigma_x)_x$  is an orthogonal transformation of  $T_x M$  without any nonzero fixed vectors. So we have  $\tilde{a}(X_x, (S^\sigma - id)_x(y)) = 0$ ,  $\forall y \in T_x M$ . Since  $(S - id)_x$  is an invertible linear transformation, we have  $X_x = 0$ ,  $\forall x \in M$ . Hence  $F$  is Riemannian.  $\square$

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