


Geodesic vectors of infinite series (α, β) -metric on hypercomplex four dimensional Lie groups

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Abstract. In this paper, we consider invariant infinite series (α, β) -metrics. Then we describe all geodesic vectors of this spaces on the left invariant hypercomplex four dimensional simply connected Lie groups.

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1. Introduction

Finsler geometry has its genesis in integrals of the form

$$\int_a^b F\left(x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n; \frac{dx^1}{dt}, \frac{dx^2}{dt}, \dots, \frac{dx^n}{dt}\right) dt.$$

The function $F(x^1, \dots, x^n; y^1, \dots, y^n)$ is positive unless all the y^i are zero. Finsler geometry also asserts itself in applications, most notably in theory of relativity, control theory and mathematical biology.

The special case of Finsler metrics we are going to discuss are expressed in terms of a Riemannian metric $\alpha = \sqrt{a_{ij}y^i y^j}$ and a 1-form $\beta = b_i y^i$. They are called (α, β) - metric. The notion of (α, β) - metrics are introduced by Matsumoto [11]. If $F = \alpha + \beta$, then we get the Randers metric. This metric is an (α, β) - metric that introduced by Ingarden. An (α, β) - metric is a Finsler

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metric of the form $F = \alpha\varphi(s)$, $s = \beta/\alpha$ where $\alpha = \sqrt{\tilde{a}_{ij}(x)y^i y^j}$ is induced by a Riemannian metric $\tilde{a} = \tilde{a}_{ij}dx^i \otimes dx^j$ on a connected smooth n - dimensional manifold M and $\beta = b_i(x)y^i$ is a 1- form on M . We note that, the important kinds of (α, β) - metrics are Kropina metric $F = \alpha^2/\beta$, square metric $F = (\alpha + \beta)^2/\alpha$, exponential metric $F = \alpha \exp(\beta/\alpha)$, Matsumoto metric $F = \alpha^2/(\alpha - \beta)$ and infinite series metric $F = \beta^2/(\beta - \alpha)$. (For some details see [1, 4, 8, 9, 10, 14]).

The important concepts in Finsler geometry is geodesics. Geodesics in a manifold is the generalization of concept of a straight line in an Euclidean space. A geodesic in a homogeneous Finsler space $(G/H, F)$ is called homogeneous geodesic if it is an orbit of a one-parameter subgroup of G . Homogeneous geodesics on homogeneous Riemannian manifolds have been studied by many authors. Latifi has extended the concept of homogeneous geodesics in homogeneous Finsler spaces [7].

Suppose (M, F) be a connected homogeneous Finsler space, G is a connected transitive group of isometries of M and H is the isotropy subgroup at a point $o \in M$. Therefore, M is naturally identified with the coset space G/H with G - invariant Finsler metric F . Also, in this case the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G has a reductive decomposition

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{h},$$

where $\mathfrak{m} \subset \mathfrak{g}$ is a subspace of \mathfrak{g} isomorphic to the T_oM and \mathfrak{h} is the Lie algebra of H .

In this paper, we study geodesics vectors of left invariant infinite series (α, β) - metrics on left invariant hypercomplex four dimensional simply connected Lie groups.

2. Preliminaries

Let M be an n -dimensional C^∞ manifold. Denote by T_xM the tangent space at $x \in M$ and by $TM := \cup_{x \in M} T_xM$ the tangent bundle of M . The dual space of T_xM is T_x^*M , called the cotangent space at x . The union $T^*M := \cup_{x \in M} T_x^*M$ is the cotangent bundle of M .

Definition 2.1. A Finsler structure of M is a function

$$F : TM \rightarrow [0, \infty),$$

with the following properties [2]:

- (1) F is smooth on the slit tangent bundle $TM^0 := TM \setminus \{0\}$.
- (2) $F(x, \lambda y) = \lambda F(x, y)$ for any $x \in M$, $y \in T_xM$ and $\lambda > 0$.
- (3) The $n \times n$ Hessian matrix

$$(g_{ij}) := \left(\left[\frac{1}{2} F^2 \right]_{y^i y^j} \right),$$

is positive-definite at every point of TM^0 .

Let $\alpha = \sqrt{\tilde{a}_{ij}(x)y^iy^j}$ 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 . Let

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

Now, let the function F is defined as follows

$$F := \alpha\varphi(s), \quad s = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}, \quad (2.1)$$

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

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

Then F is a Finsler metric if $\|\beta(x)\|_\alpha < b_0$ for any $x \in M$. A Finsler metric in the form (2.1) is called an (α, β) -metric [13].

A Finsler space having the Finsler function:

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

is called a infinite series space. We note that the Riemannian metric \tilde{a} induces an inner product on any cotangent space T_x^*M such that $\langle dx^i(x), dx^j(x) \rangle = \tilde{a}^{ij}(x)$. The induced inner product on T_x^*M induces a linear isomorphism between T_x^*M and T_xM . Then the 1-form β corresponds to a vector field \tilde{X} on M such that

$$\tilde{a}(y, \tilde{X}(x)) = \beta(x, y). \quad (2.2)$$

Also we have $\|\beta(x)\|_\alpha = \|\tilde{X}(x)\|_\alpha$. Therefore we can write infinite series metric as follows:

$$F(x, y) = \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2}{\tilde{a}(X, y) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}}. \quad (2.3)$$

Now, consider the Chern connection on π^*TM whose coefficients are denoted by Γ_{jk}^i . Let $\gamma(t)$ be a smooth regular curve in M with velocity field V . Suppose $W(t) := W^i(t)\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ be a vector field along γ . Then the covariant derivative $D_V W$ with reference vector V have the form

$$\left[\frac{dW^i}{dt} + W^j V^k (\Gamma_{jk}^i)_{(\gamma, V)} \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} |_{\gamma(t)}.$$

A curve $\gamma(t)$ with the velocity $V = \dot{\gamma}(t)$, is a Finslerian geodesic if

$$D_V \left[\frac{V}{F(V)} \right] = 0, \quad \text{with reference vector } V.$$

Definition 2.2. *Suppose $(G/H, F)$ be a homogeneous Finsler manifold with a fixed origin o . Let \mathfrak{g} and \mathfrak{h} be the Lie algebra of G and H respectively and $\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{m} + \mathfrak{h}$ a reductive decomposition. Therefore, a homogeneous geodesic through the $o \in G/H$ is a geodesic $\gamma(t)$ of the form*

$$\gamma(t) = \exp(tZ)(o), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (2.4)$$

where Z is a nonzero vector of \mathfrak{g} .

In Riemannian setting the authors in [6], proved that a $X \in \mathfrak{g} - \{0\}$ is a geodesic vector if and only if

$$\langle [X, Y]_{\mathfrak{m}}, X_{\mathfrak{m}} \rangle = 0, \quad \forall Y \in \mathfrak{m}. \quad (2.5)$$

After this, Latifi in Finsler setting shown that:

Lemma 2.3. [7] *Suppose $(G/H, F)$ be a homogeneous Finsler space with a reductive decomposition*

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} + \mathfrak{m}.$$

Therefore, $Y \in \mathfrak{g} - \{0\}$ is a geodesic vector if and only if

$$g_{Y_{\mathfrak{m}}}(Y_{\mathfrak{m}}, [Y, Z]_{\mathfrak{m}}) = 0, \quad \forall Z \in \mathfrak{m}, \quad (2.6)$$

where the subscript \mathfrak{m} indicates the projection of a vector from \mathfrak{g} to \mathfrak{m} .

3. Geodesic Vectors of Infinite Series metric on Four Dimensional Lie Group

An almost complex structure on a real differentiable manifold M is a tensor field J which is an endomorphism of the tangent space $T_x M$ such that $J^2 = -1$, where 1 denotes the identity transformation of $T_x M$, at every point x of M . Note that for any two vector fields X and Y , we define the Nijenhuis tensor N as

$$N(X, Y) = [X, Y] + J[JX, Y] + J[X, JY] - [JX, JY]. \quad (3.1)$$

A hypercomplex manifold is a manifold M with three globally-defined, integrable complex structures I, J, K satisfying the quaternion identities

$$I^2 = J^2 = K^2 = -1, \quad \text{and} \quad IJ = K = -JI. \quad (3.2)$$

Obata [12] proved that a hypercomplex manifold admits a unique torsion-free connection ∇ such that

$$\nabla I = \nabla J = \nabla K = 0.$$

Now let M be a 4-dimensional manifold. A hypercomplex structure on M is a family $\mathbb{H} = \{J_{\alpha}\}_{\alpha=1,2,3}$ of fiber-wise endomorphism of TM such that

$$-J_2 J_1 = J_1 J_2 = J_3, \quad J_{\alpha}^2 = -Id_{TM}, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \quad (3.3)$$

$$N_{\alpha} = 0, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, 3, \quad (3.4)$$

where N_α is the Nijenhuis tensor (torsion) corresponding to J_α .

We note that, an almost complex structure is a complex structure if and only if it has no torsion [5]. Then the complex structures J_α , $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$, on a 4-dimensional manifold M form a hypercomplex if they satisfy in the relation 3.3.

Definition 3.1. A Riemannian metric \tilde{a} on a hypercomplex manifold (M, \mathbb{H}) is called hyper-Hermitian if for all vector fields X and Y on M and for all $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$ we have

$$\tilde{a}(J_\alpha X, J_\alpha Y) = \tilde{a}(X, Y).$$

Definition 3.2. A hypercomplex structure $\mathbb{H} = \{J_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1,2,3}$ on a Lie group G is said to be left invariant if for any $t \in G$ we have

$$J_\alpha = Tl_t \circ J_\alpha \circ Tl_{t^{-1}},$$

where Tl_t is the differential function of the left translation l_t .

In this section, we consider left invariant hyper-Hermitian Riemannian metrics on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie groups. Barberis shown that in this spaces, \mathfrak{g} is either Abelian or isomorphic to one of the following Lie algebras:

(1)

$$[e_2, e_3] = e_4, \quad [e_3, e_4] = e_2, \quad [e_4, e_2] = e_3, \quad e_1 : \text{central}, \quad (3.5)$$

(2)

$$[e_1, e_3] = e_1, \quad [e_2, e_3] = e_2, \quad [e_1, e_4] = e_2, \quad [e_2, e_4] = -e_1, \quad (3.6)$$

(3)

$$[e_1, e_2] = e_2, \quad [e_1, e_3] = e_3, \quad [e_1, e_4] = e_4, \quad (3.7)$$

(4)

$$[e_1, e_2] = e_2, \quad [e_1, e_3] = \frac{1}{2}e_3, \quad [e_1, e_4] = \frac{1}{2}e_4, \quad [e_3, e_4] = \frac{1}{2}e_2. \quad (3.8)$$

where $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4\}$ is an orthonormal basis.

Now we want to describe all geodesics vectors of left invariant infinite series metrics F defined by relation

$$F(x, y) = \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2}{\tilde{a}(X, y) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}}.$$

By using the formula

$$g_y(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} F^2(x, y + su + tv)|_{s=t=0},$$

and some computations we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_y(u, v) = & \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2}{\left(\tilde{a}(X, y) - \sqrt{\tilde{a}(y, y)}\right)^4} \left[\tilde{a}(X, y)^2 \tilde{a}(X, v) \tilde{a}(X, u) - 4\tilde{a}(y, y)^{3/2} \tilde{a}(X, v) \tilde{a}(X, u) \right. \\
 & + 6\tilde{a}(y, y) \tilde{a}(X, v) \tilde{a}(X, u) + \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2 \tilde{a}(X, v) \tilde{a}(u, y)}{\tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}} - 4\tilde{a}(X, y) \tilde{a}(X, v) \tilde{a}(u, y) \\
 & - \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^3 \tilde{a}(u, y) \tilde{a}(v, y)}{\tilde{a}(y, y)^{3/2}} + \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^3 \tilde{a}(u, v)}{\tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}} + \frac{4\tilde{a}(X, y)^2 \tilde{a}(u, y) \tilde{a}(v, y)}{\tilde{a}(y, y)} \\
 & \left. - \tilde{a}(X, y)^2 \tilde{a}(u, v) + \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2 \tilde{a}(X, u) \tilde{a}(v, y)}{\tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}} - 4\tilde{a}(X, y) \tilde{a}(X, u) \tilde{a}(v, y) \right]. \tag{3.9}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for all $z \in \mathfrak{g}$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_y(y, [y, z]) = & \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^3}{\left(\tilde{a}(X, y) - \tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}\right)^4} \left[\tilde{a}(X, [y, z]) \left(\tilde{a}(X, y)^2 - 4\tilde{a}(y, y)^{3/2} \right. \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + \tilde{a}(X, y) \tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2} + 2\tilde{a}(y, y) \right) + \tilde{a}(y, [y, z]) \left(\frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2}{\tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}} - \tilde{a}(X, y) \right) \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_y(y, [y, z]) &= \tilde{a}(MNX, [y, z]) + \tilde{a}(MPy, [y, z]) \\
 &= \tilde{a}(MNX + MPy, [y, z]), \tag{3.10}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^3}{\left(\tilde{a}(X, y) - \tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}\right)^4}, \\
 N &= \tilde{a}(X, y)^2 - 4\tilde{a}(y, y)^{3/2} + \tilde{a}(X, y) \tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2} + 2\tilde{a}(y, y), \\
 P &= \frac{\tilde{a}(X, y)^2}{\tilde{a}(y, y)^{1/2}} - \tilde{a}(X, y).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, by using Lemma 2.3 and equation (3) a vector $y = \sum_{i=1}^4 y_i e_i$ of \mathfrak{g} is a geodesic vector if and only if for each $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$

$$\tilde{a} \left(MN \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i e_i + MP \sum_{i=1}^4 y_i e_i, \left[\sum_{i=1}^4 y_i e_i, e_j \right] \right) = 0, \tag{3.11}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i\right)^3}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i - \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 y_i^2\right)^{1/2}\right)^4}, \\
 N &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i\right)^2 - 4\left(\sum_{i=1}^4 y_i^2\right)^{3/2} + \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 y_i^2\right)^{1/2} + 2\sum_{i=1}^4 y_i^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$P = \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i)^2}{(\sum_{i=1}^4 y_i^2)^{1/2}} - \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i.$$

So we get the following cases:

3.1. Case (1).

$$\begin{cases} j = 2 \rightarrow MN(x_3 y_4 - x_4 y_3) = 0, \\ j = 3 \rightarrow MN(x_4 y_2 - x_2 y_4) = 0, \\ j = 4 \rightarrow MN(x_2 y_3 - x_3 y_2) = 0. \end{cases}$$

As a special case, if $X = x_1 e_1$, then a vector y of \mathfrak{g} is a geodesic vector if and only if $y \in \text{Span}\{e_1\}$.

Corollary 3.3. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i e_i$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.5) holds. Then geodesic vectors depending on x_2, x_3 and x_4 .*

Theorem 3.4. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = x_1 e_1$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.5) holds. Then $y \in \mathfrak{g}$ is a geodesic vector of (M, F) if and only if y is a geodesic vector of (M, \tilde{a}) .*

Proof. Let $y \in \sum_{i=1}^4 y_i e_i \in \mathfrak{g}$. Let y is a geodesic vector of (M, \tilde{a}) . By using (2.5) we have

$$\tilde{a}(y, [y, e_i]) = 0, \quad \text{for each } i = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

Therefore by using (3.11), y is a geodesic of (M, F) .

Conversely, let

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^5 y_i e_i \in \mathfrak{g}$$

be a geodesic vector of (M, F) , because $\tilde{a}(X, [y, e_i]) = 0$ for each $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$, by using (3.11) we have

$$\tilde{a}(y, [y, e_i]) = 0.$$

This completes the proof. \square

3.2. Case (2).

$$\begin{cases} j = 1 \rightarrow MNx_1 y_3 + MPy_1 y_3 + MNx_2 y_4 + MPy_2 y_4 = 0, \\ j = 2 \rightarrow MNx_1 y_4 + MPy_1 y_4 - (MNx_2 y_3 + MPy_2 y_3) = 0, \\ j = 3 \rightarrow MNx_1 y_1 + MPy_1^2 + MNx_2 y_2 + MPy_2^2 = 0, \\ j = 4 \rightarrow MN(x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2) = 0. \end{cases}$$

As a special case, if $X = x_3e_3 + x_4e_4$, then a vector y of \mathfrak{g} is a geodesic vector if and only if $y \in \text{Span}\{e_3, e_4\}$.

Corollary 3.5. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i e_i$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.6) holds. Then geodesic vectors depending on x_1 and x_2 .*

Theorem 3.6. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = x_3e_3 + x_4e_4$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.6) holds. Then $y \in \mathfrak{g}$ is a geodesic vector of (M, F) if and only if y is a geodesic vector of (M, \tilde{a}) .*

Proof. The proof is the same as before. \square

3.3. Case (3).

$$\begin{cases} j = 1 \rightarrow MN(x_2y_2 + x_3y_3 + x_4y_4) + MP(y_2^2 + y_3^2 + y_4^2) = 0, \\ j = 2 \rightarrow MNx_2y_1 + MPy_2y_1 = 0, \\ j = 3 \rightarrow MNx_3y_1 + MPy_3y_1 = 0, \\ j = 4 \rightarrow MNx_4y_1 + MPy_4y_1 = 0. \end{cases}$$

As a special case, if $X = x_1e_1$, then a vector y of \mathfrak{g} is a geodesic vector if and only if $y \in \text{Span}\{e_1\}$.

Corollary 3.7. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i e_i$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.7) holds. Then geodesic vectors depending on x_2, x_3 and x_4 .*

Theorem 3.8. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = x_1e_1$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.7) holds. Then $y \in \mathfrak{g}$ is a geodesic vector of (M, F) if and only if y is a geodesic vector of (M, \tilde{a}) .*

Proof. The proof is the same as before. \square

3.4. Case (4).

$$\begin{cases} j = 1 \rightarrow MN(2x_2y_2 + x_3y_3 + x_4y_4) + MP(2y_2^2 + y_3^2 + y_4^2) = 0, \\ j = 2 \rightarrow MNx_2y_1 + MPy_2y_1 = 0, \\ j = 3 \rightarrow MN(x_3y_1 - x_2y_4) + MP(y_3y_1 - y_2y_4) = 0, \\ j = 4 \rightarrow MN(x_2y_3 + x_4y_1) + MP(y_4y_1 + y_2y_3) = 0. \end{cases}$$

As a special case, if $X = x_1e_1$, then a vector y of \mathfrak{g} is a geodesic vector if and only if $y \in \text{Span}\{e_1\}$.

Corollary 3.9. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i e_i$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.8) holds. Then geodesic vectors depending on x_2, x_3 and x_4 .*

Theorem 3.10. *Let (M, F) be a Finsler space with infinite series metric F defined by an invariant metric \tilde{a} and an invariant vector field $X = x_1 e_1$ on left invariant hypercomplex 4-dimensional simply connected Lie group and let (3.8) holds. Then $y \in \mathfrak{g}$ is a geodesic vector of (M, F) if and only if y is a geodesic vector of (M, \tilde{a}) .*

Proof. The proof is the same as before. □

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