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# ON AREAL SPACES BASED ON THE FUNDAMENTAL FUNCTION $F = \alpha^2 / \beta$ ( II )

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## Abstract

We consider the necessary and sufficient condition for a sufficient for a special areal space  $A_n^{(m)}$  to belong to the semi-metric class.

**§ 0. INTRODUCTION.** In the Finsler geometry, a Finsler space with  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric is, as well known, a space of which fundamental function is given in the form

$$(0.1) \quad F(x, p) = f(\alpha, \beta), \quad \alpha = [\det(a_{ij}(x)y^i y^j)]^{1/2}, \quad \beta = b_i(x)y^i$$

where  $a_{ij}(x)$  is a Riemannian metric and  $b_i(x)$  is non-zero covariant vector.

We know, as typical  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metrics, so-called Randers' metric  $F = \alpha + \beta$  [1]\*), and Kropina's metric  $F = \alpha^2 / \beta$  [2].

On areal spaces  $A_n^{(2)}$ , G. T. Bollis [3] gave metric  $F = \alpha + \beta$ ,  $\alpha = (\det [\tilde{g}_{ij}(x)p^i p^j])^{1/2}$ ,  $\beta = b_{ij}(x)p^i p^j$ , where  $\tilde{g}_{ij}(x)$  is a Riemannian metric and  $b_{ij}(x)$  is a skew-symmetric tensor.

Recently, the author [4] treated an areal space  $A_n^{(m)}$  equipped a fundamental function in the form

$$(0.2) \quad F = \alpha^2 / \beta, \quad \alpha = [\det(a_{\lambda\mu})]^{1/2}, \quad a_{\lambda\mu} = a_{ij}(x)p^i p^j, \quad a_{ij} = a_{ji}, \\ \beta = \epsilon^{\lambda\mu} b_{\lambda\mu} / 2, \quad b_{\lambda\mu} = b_{ij}(x)p^i p^j, \quad b_{ij} = -b_{ji}.$$

In that paper, the main result which we obtained is such that

**THEOREM.** *When a fundamental function of an area space  $A_n^{(m)}$  is given by (0.2), then the following two conditions are equivalent:*

- (i).  $A_n^{(m)}$  is of semi-metric class.
- (ii). The relation  $(\rho_i^\alpha - \sigma_i^\alpha)(\rho_j^\beta - \sigma_j^\beta) = 0$  holds good.

However, it was found that the above theorem holds good, even if we rewrite  $\beta$  as  $\beta = [\det(b_{\lambda\mu})]^{1/2}$ , what we give from now on.

**§ 1. PRELIMINARY.** We consider an n-dimensional areal space  $A_n^{(m)}$  based on the notion of the m-dimensional surface-element  $p$ .

Let  $(x^i)$  be local coordinates and  $(p^i_a)$  be local representations of  $p$ . In this paper, Latin indices

\* ) Number in brackets refer to the references at the end of the paper.

run over  $1, 2, \dots, n$ ; Greek indices over  $1, 2, \dots, m$ ; where  $1 < m < n$ , and we adopt the Einstein's summation convention. Other notations and terminologies are employed as same as those of the work of A. Kawaguchi [5].

We put a fundamental function of  $A_n^{(m)}$  as

$$(1.1) \quad F(x, p) = \alpha^2 / \beta$$

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{cases} \alpha = [\det(a_{\lambda\mu})]^{1/2}, & a_{\lambda\mu}(x, p) = a_{ij}(x) p_\lambda^i p_\mu^j, & a_{ij} = a_{ji} \\ \beta = [\det(b_{\lambda\mu})]^{1/2}, & b_{\lambda\mu}(x, p) = b_{ij}(x) p_\lambda^i p_\mu^j, & b_{ij} = -b_{ji}. \end{cases}$$

Next, we define a Legendre's form of a function  $\varphi(x, p)$  as follows;

$$(1.3) \quad L_{i,j}^{\alpha\beta}[\varphi] = (\ln \varphi)_{;i}^{\alpha\beta} + (\ln \varphi)_{;i}^{\beta} (\ln \varphi)_{;j}^{\alpha}$$

where the notation  $_{;i}^{\alpha}$  means the partial differentiation with respect to  $p_{\alpha}^i$ .

Differentiating (1.2) by  $p_{\alpha}^i$ , we have

$$(1.4) \quad \alpha_{;i}^{\alpha} = (1/2) \alpha a^{\lambda\mu} a_{\lambda\mu};_i^{\alpha}, \text{ where } a^{\lambda\mu} a_{\lambda\nu} = \alpha^{\lambda\mu} a_{\nu\lambda} = \delta_{\nu}^{\mu}$$

$$(1.5) \quad \beta_{;i}^{\alpha} = (1/2) b^{\lambda\mu} a_{\lambda\mu};_i^{\alpha}, \text{ where } b^{\lambda\mu} b_{\lambda\nu} = b^{\mu\lambda} b_{\nu\lambda} = \delta_{\nu}^{\mu}$$

If we introduce quantities  $\rho_{;i}^{\alpha}, \sigma_{;i}^{\alpha}$  such that

$$(1.6) \quad \rho_{;i}^{\alpha} = (\ln \alpha)_{;i}^{\alpha}; \quad \alpha_{;i}^{\alpha} = \alpha^{-1} \alpha_{;i}^{\alpha}; \quad \sigma_{;i}^{\alpha} = (\ln \beta)_{;i}^{\alpha}; \quad \beta_{;i}^{\alpha} = \beta^{-1} \beta_{;i}^{\alpha};$$

then we obtain:

**PROPOSITION 1.**  $\rho_{;i}^{\alpha} = \alpha^{\alpha\lambda} a_{ik} p_{\lambda}^k, \quad \sigma_{;i}^{\alpha} = b^{\alpha\lambda} b_{ik} p_{\lambda}^k,$

Proof. From (1.4), it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{;i}^{\alpha} &= (1/2) a^{\lambda\mu} a_{\lambda\mu};_i^{\alpha} = (1/2) a^{\lambda\mu} a_{\lambda\mu} (a_{hk} p_{\lambda}^h p_{\mu}^k);_i^{\alpha} \\ &= (1/2) \alpha^{\lambda\mu} a_{hk} (\delta_i^k \delta_{\lambda}^{\alpha} p_{\mu}^k + a^{\lambda\kappa} a_{hi} p_{\lambda}^k) \\ &= \alpha^{\alpha\lambda} a_{ik} p_{\lambda}^k, \end{aligned}$$

and analogously on  $\sigma_{;i}^{\alpha}$ .

**PROPOSITION 2.**  $\rho_{;i,j}^{\alpha\beta} = -a^{\alpha\beta} a_{\gamma\delta} \delta_i^{\alpha} \delta_j^{\beta} - \delta_i^{\beta} \delta_j^{\alpha} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij}$

$$\sigma_{;i,j}^{\alpha\beta} = -b^{\alpha\beta} b_{\gamma\delta} \sigma_{;i}^{\alpha} \sigma_{;j}^{\beta} - \sigma_{;i}^{\beta} \sigma_{;j}^{\alpha} + b^{\alpha\beta} b_{ij}.$$

proof. It is sufficient that we do with  $\rho_{;i,j}^{\alpha\beta}$ . Differentiating  $\rho_{;i}^{\alpha}$  by  $p_{\beta}^j$  partially, we have

$$\rho_{;i,j}^{\alpha\beta} = (a^{\alpha\epsilon} a_{ik} p_{\epsilon}^k);_j^{\beta} = a^{\alpha\epsilon};_j^{\beta} a_{ik} p_{\epsilon}^k + a^{\alpha\epsilon} a^{ik} \delta_j^k \delta_{\epsilon}^{\beta} = a^{\alpha\epsilon};_j^{\beta} a_{\epsilon\gamma} \delta_j^{\gamma} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij}.$$

substituting the relation

$$a^{\alpha\epsilon};_j^{\beta} a_{\epsilon\gamma} = (a^{\alpha\epsilon} a_{\epsilon\gamma});_j^{\beta} - a^{\alpha\epsilon} a_{\epsilon\gamma};_j^{\beta} = -a^{\alpha\epsilon} a_{\epsilon\gamma};_j^{\beta}$$

into the above representation, we can rewrite as follows;

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{;i,j}^{\alpha\beta} &= -a_{\epsilon\gamma};_j^{\beta} a^{\alpha\epsilon} \delta_i^{\gamma} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij} = -(a_{hk} p_{\epsilon}^h p_{\gamma}^k);_j^{\beta} a^{\alpha\epsilon} \delta_i^{\gamma} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij} \\ &= -a_{jk} p_{\gamma}^k a^{\alpha\beta} \rho_{;i}^{\gamma} - a_{hj} a^{\alpha\epsilon} p_{\epsilon}^h \rho_{;i}^{\beta} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij} = -a_{jk} a_{\gamma\delta} \rho_{;i}^{\gamma} \rho_{;j}^{\delta} - \rho_{;i}^{\beta} \rho_{;j}^{\alpha} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij}. \end{aligned}$$

About  $\sigma_{;i,j}^{\alpha\beta}$ , we can obtain the right hand analogously. Q.E.D.

Then, with use of Proposition 1 and 2, we can represent the Legendre's forms of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that

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$$(1.7) \quad L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\alpha] = (\ln \alpha);_i^{\alpha\beta} + (\ln \alpha);_j^{\beta} (\ln \alpha);_i^{\alpha} = \rho_{ij}^{\alpha,\beta} + \rho_{ij}^{\beta} \rho_j^{\alpha} \\ = -a^{\alpha\beta} a_{\gamma\delta} \rho_i^{\gamma} \rho_j^{\delta} - \rho_i^{\beta} \rho_j^{\alpha} + a^{\alpha\beta} a_{ij},$$

$$(1.8) \quad L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\beta] = -b^{\alpha\beta} b_{\gamma\delta} \sigma_i^{\gamma} \sigma_j^{\delta} - \sigma_i^{\beta} \sigma_j^{\alpha} + b^{\alpha\beta} b_{ij}.$$

If we define tensors  $a''_{ij}(x, p)$  and  $b''_{ij}(x, p)$  as

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{cases} a''_{ij} = a_{ij} - a_{\gamma\delta} \rho_i^{\gamma} \rho_j^{\delta}, \text{ rank}(a''_{ij}) = n - m, \\ b''_{ij} = b_{ij} - b_{\gamma\delta} \sigma_i^{\gamma} \sigma_j^{\delta}, \text{ rank}(b''_{ij}) = n - m, \end{cases}$$

then we have:

**PROPOSITION 3.** *Legendere's form of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are given in the form such that*

$$L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\alpha] = a^{\alpha\beta} a''_{ij}, \quad L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\beta] = b^{\alpha\beta} b''_{ij}.$$

**§ 2. RESULTS.** First of all, we show;

**PROPOSITION 4.** *The Legendere's form of the fundamental fundamental function given by*

(1.1) together with (1.2) is

$$L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [F] = 2 L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\alpha] - L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\beta] + 2 (\rho_i^{\beta} - \sigma_i^{\beta}) (\rho_j^{\alpha} - \sigma_j^{\alpha}).$$

Proof. Starting from  $F;_i^{\alpha} = (\alpha^2 / \beta);_i^{\alpha} = 2 \alpha \beta^{-1} \alpha;_i^{\alpha} - \alpha^2 \beta^{-2} \beta;_i^{\alpha}$ ,

we rewrite the quantity  $p_i^{\alpha}$  defined by  $p_i^{\alpha} = (\ln F);_i^{\alpha}$  as

$$(2.1) \quad p_i^{\alpha} = F^{-1} F;_i^{\alpha} = 2 \alpha^{-1} \alpha;_i^{\alpha} - \beta^{-1} \beta;_i^{\alpha} = 2 \rho_i^{\alpha} - \sigma_i^{\alpha}$$

by means of (1.3). Applying (1.6) to the fundamenetal fundamental function  $F$ , we have the

Legendre's form of  $F$  such that  $L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [F] = p_{ij}^{\alpha,\beta} + p_i^{\beta} p_j^{\alpha}$ , to which we substitute (2.1), then it follows;

$$(2.2) \quad L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [F] = 2 \rho_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} - \sigma_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} + (2 \rho_i^{\beta} - \sigma_i^{\beta}) (2 \rho_j^{\alpha} - \sigma_j^{\alpha}).$$

With use of (2.2) and Proposition 3, we can conclude this proposition. Q.E.D.

By means of the symmetry of  $a^{\alpha\beta}$  and (1.7) (respectively by means of antisymmetry of  $b^{\alpha\beta}$  and (1.8)), we obtain:

**PROPOSITION 5.** *The symmetric part of  $\alpha$  (resp.  $\beta$ ) satisfies the relation*

$$L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\alpha] = a^{\alpha\beta} a''_{ij}, \quad (\text{resp. } L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [\beta] = 0).$$

From this proposition, it yields:

**PROPOSITION 6.** *The symmetetric part of the Legendere's form of  $F$  satisfies the relation*

$$L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [F] = 2 a^{\alpha\beta} a''_{ij} + 2 (\rho_i^{\alpha} - \sigma_i^{\alpha}) (\rho_j^{\beta} - \sigma_j^{\beta}).$$

An areal space in which the relation  $L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} [F] = g^{\alpha\beta} g''_{ij}$  holds good is said to be of "semi-metric class", where  $g''_{ij} = a_{ij} - a_{\gamma\delta} p_i^{\gamma} p_j^{\delta}$ ,  $\text{rank}(g''_{ij}) = n - m$ , and  $g^{\alpha\beta}$  is symmetric.

Now, in conclusion, we obtain the following theorem wich is the same in appearance as the theorem in [4].

**THEOREM.** *When the fundamental function of an areal space  $A_n^{(m)}$  is given by (1.1) together with*

(1.2), then following two conditions are equivalent.

(i).  $A_n^{(m)}$  belongs to the semi-metric class.

(ii). The relation  $(\rho_i^\alpha - \sigma_i^\alpha)(\rho_j^\beta - \sigma_j^\beta) = 0$  holds good.

Especially we have

**COROLLARY.** When the fundamental function of an areal space  $A_n^{(m)}$  is given by (1.1) together with (1.2), in addition, when the relation, when the relation  $\rho_i^\alpha = \sigma_i^\alpha$  holds good, then the space  $A_n^{(m)}$  belongs to the metric class and class and it is conformal to the Riemannian space whose metric is  $a_{ij}(x)$ .

Proof). Substituting the relation  $\rho_i^\alpha = \sigma_i^\alpha$  into (2.2), we have  $L_{ij}^{\alpha\beta}[F] = 2a^{\alpha\beta} a''_{ij}$  what explains that  $A_n^{(m)}$  belongs metric class. Moreover, from  $\rho_i^\alpha - \sigma_i^\alpha = (\ln \alpha / \beta)$ ;  $\alpha_i = 0$ , it yields  $\ln(\alpha / \beta) = c(x)$ . Putting  $c_0(x) = \exp(c(x))$ , we have  $F = \alpha^2 / \beta = c_0(x) \alpha = c_0(x) [\det(a_{ij}(x) p^i_\lambda p^j_\mu)]^{1/2} = [\det(\tilde{a}_{ij}(x) p^i_\lambda p^j_\mu)]^{1/2}$ , where  $\tilde{a}_{ij}(x) = \exp((2/m)c(x))a_{ij}(x)$ , it shows the conformality.

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