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# On generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection with deflection and torsion

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**Summary.** In 1934 E. CARTAN [1] published his monograph 'Les espaces de Finsler' and fixed his method to determine a notion of connection in the Geometry of Finsler space. MATSUMOTO [4] determined uniquely the Cartan connection  $C\Gamma$  by the following conditions: (1) The connection is metrical; (2) the deflection tensor field vanishes; (3) the torsion tensor field T vanishes; (4) the torsion tensor field S vanishes.

HOJO [3] introduced the connections, which depend on a real parameter p and make the *v*-covariant derivative  $\varphi_{ij|k}^{(p)}$  of  $\varphi_{ij}^{(p)} (= \dot{\partial}_i \dot{\partial}_j L^P)$  zero just as  $g_{ij|k} = 0$  in case of  $C\Gamma$ . The Cartan connection is really the case when p takes the value two and so the connection determined by Hojo is a generalization of  $C\Gamma$ .

Recently B.N. PRASAD and LALJI SRIVASTAVA ([7]) have investigated the generalized h-recurrent Finsler connection which is deflection and torsion free. In this paper we investigate a generalized h-recurrent Finsler connection with given deflection- and torsion-tensor fields.

#### 1. Introduction

A Finsler manifold  $(F^n, L)$  of dimension n is a manifold  $F^n$  associated with a fundamental function L(x, y), where  $x = (x^i)$  denotes the positional variable of  $F^n$  and  $y = (y^i)$  denote the components of a tangent vector with respect to  $(x^i)$ . Throughout the following, L is assumed to be positively homogeneous of degree one with respect to  $(y^i)$ . The metric tensor of  $(F^n, L)$  is given by  $g_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\partial}_i \dot{\partial}_j L^2$  where  $\dot{\partial}_i = \partial/\partial y^i$ .

A Finsler connection of  $(F^n, L)$  is a triad  $(F^i_{jk}, N^i_k, C^i_{jk})$  of an *h*connection  $F^i_{jk}$ , a non-linear connection  $N^i_k$  and a vertical connection  $C^i_{jk}$ (MATSUMOTO [5]). If a Finsler connection is given, the *h*- and *v*-covariant derivatives of any tensor field  $V^i_j$  are defined as

(1.1) 
$$V_{j|k}^{i} = d_{k}V_{j}^{i} + V_{j}^{m}F_{mk}^{i} - V_{m}^{i}F_{jk}^{m}$$

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(1.2) 
$$V_{j}^{i}|_{k} = \dot{\partial}_{k}V_{j}^{i} + V_{j}^{m}C_{mk}^{i} - V_{m}^{i}C_{jk}^{m},$$

where  $d_k = \partial_k - N_k^m \dot{\partial}_m$ ,  $\partial_k = \partial/\partial x^k$ . For any Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^i, N_k^i, C_{jk}^i)$  the *hv*-curvature tensor  $P_{hjk}^i$ is given by ([6])

(1.3) 
$$P_{hjk}^{i} = \dot{\partial}_{k} F_{hj}^{i} - C_{hk|j}^{i} + C_{hm}^{i} P_{jk}^{m}$$

#### 2. Generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection

Let  $p \neq 1$  be a real number. We define  $\phi^{(p)}(x, y)$  as

(2.1) 
$$\phi^{(p)} = \frac{1}{p}L^p \ (p \neq 0), \qquad \phi^{(0)} = \log L$$

We denote  $\dot{\partial}_i \phi^{(p)}$  and  $\dot{\partial}_i \dot{\partial}_j \phi^{(p)}$  as  $\phi_i^{(p)}$  and  $\phi_{ij}^{(p)}$  and so on. Thus

(2.2) 
$$\phi_i^{(p)} = L^{(p-1)}\ell_i, \quad \phi_{ij}^{(p)} = L^{(p-2)} \quad (g_{ij} + (p-2)\ell_i\ell_j).$$

In the following, we restrict our considerations to a domain, where the matrix  $\|\phi_{ij}^{(p)}\|$  is regular and then its inverse  $\phi^{(p)ij}$  is given by

(2.3) 
$$\phi^{(p)ij} = L^{-(p-2)} \Big[ g^{ij} - \frac{(p-2)}{(p-1)} \ell^i \ell^j \Big].$$

Differentiating (2.2) by  $y^k$ , we have

(2.4) 
$$\phi_{ijk}^{(p)} = L^{(p-2)} \Big[ 2C_{ijk} + (p-2)L^{-1} \{ h_{ij}\ell_k + h_{jk}\ell_i + h_{ki}\ell_j + (p-1)\ell_i\ell_j\ell_k \} \Big].$$

To avoid confusion, we denote h- and v-covariant derivatives with respect to Cartan's connection by  $|_k$  and  $|_k$ , while these covariant derivatives with respect to a generalized h-recurrent Finsler connection will be denoted by  $\|_k$  and  $\|_k$  respectively. The quantities corresponding to a generalized hrecurrent Finsler connection will be denoted by putting p on the top of the quantity while the quantities corresponding to Cartan's connection will be denoted as usual.

Recently PRASAD and L. SRIVASTAVA [7] have introduced a general-ized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection  $\{F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i}\}$  which is determined uniquely by the following axioms:

 $(C_1)$ The connection is h-recurrent with respect to the vector field  $a_k$  i.e.  $g_{ij\parallel k} = a_k g_{ij}$ 

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(C<sub>2</sub>) the *v*-covariant derivative of  $\phi_{ij}^{(p)}$  vanishes i.e.  $\phi_{ij}^{(p)} \|_k = 0$ (C<sub>3</sub>) the deflection tensor field  $D_k^{(p)i}$  vanishes i.e.

$$D_k^{(p)i} = F_{jk}^{(p)i} y^j - N_k^{(p)i} = 0$$

 $(C_4)$  the torsion tensor field  $T_{jk}^{(p)i}$  vanishes i.e.

$$T_{jk}^{(p)i} = F_{jk}^{(p)i} - F_{kj}^{(p)i} = 0$$

 $(C_5)$  the torsion tensor field  $S_{jk}^{(p)i}$  vanishes i.e.

$$S_{jk}^{(p)i} = C_{jk}^{(p)i} - C_{kj}^{(p)i} = 0$$

In this paper we omit conditions (C3), (C4) and investigate a generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection with given deflection- and torsiontensor fields.

## 3. Generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connections with deflection and torsion

1. First we investigate connections where the nonlinear connection and the (h)h-torsion are prefixed.

**Theorem 3.1.** Given in a Finsler space, a nonlinear connection  $N_k^{(p)i}$ , a skew symmetric (1,2) tensor field  $T_{jk}^{(p)i}$  and a covariant vector field  $a_k$ , there exists a unique Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  satisfying ax-ioms (C1), (C2), (C5) and the new axioms (C3'): the nonlinear connection is the given  $N_k^{(p)i}$ ; (C4'): the (h) h-torsion tensor field is the given  $T_{jk}^{(p)i}$ .

**PROOF.** From (C2) it follows that

$$\phi_{ij}^{(p)}\|_k = \phi_{ijk}^{(p)} - \tilde{C}_{ijk}^{(p)} - \tilde{C}_{jik}^{(p)} = 0,$$

where

$$\tilde{C}_{ijk}^{(p)} = \phi_{rj}^{(p)} C_{ik}^{(p)r}.$$

By cyclic permutation of the indices i, j and k, we get

$$\tilde{C}_{ijk}^{(p)} = (1/2) \left[ \phi_{ijk}^{(p)} + \phi_{jki}^{(p)} - \phi_{kij}^{(p)} \right] = (1/2) \phi_{ijk}^{(p)},$$

which implies

(3.1) 
$$C_{ik}^{(p)r} = (1/2)\phi^{(p)rj} \quad \phi_{ijk}^{(p)} = C_{ik}^r + \sigma_{ik}^{(p)r},$$

where  $\sigma_{ik}^{(p)r}$  are given as below by (2.3) and (2.4),

(3.2) 
$$\sigma_{ik}^{(p)r} = \{(p-2)/2L\} [\delta_i^r \ell_k + \delta_k^r \ell_i + h_{ik} \ell^r / (p-1) - \ell_i \ell_k \ell^r].$$

From the axioms (C1) and (C3') we have

$$\partial_k g_{ij} - N_k^{(p)m} \dot{\partial}_m g_{ij} - g_{mj} F_{ik}^{(p)m} - g_{im} F_{jk}^{(p)m} = a_k g_{ij}$$

Applying the Christoffel process to the above equation and using axiom (C4'), we get

(3.3) 
$$F_{jk}^{(p)i} = \gamma_{jk}^{i} - (C_{km}^{i} N_{j}^{(p)m} + C_{jm}^{i} N_{k}^{(p)m} - g^{hi} C_{jkm} N_{h}^{(p)m}) - \frac{1}{2} (a_{j} \delta_{k}^{i} + a_{k} \delta_{j}^{i} - a^{i} g_{jk}) + A_{jk}^{(p)i}, \text{ where}$$

(3.4) 
$$\gamma_{jk}^{i} = \frac{1}{2}g^{ih}(\partial_{k}g_{jh} + \partial_{j}g_{kh} - \partial_{h}g_{jk}),$$

(3.5) 
$$A_{jk}^{(p)i} = \frac{1}{2} (T_{kjh}^{(p)} g^{hi} + T_{jkh}^{(p)} g^{hi} + T_{jk}^{(p)i})$$
$$a^{i} = g^{ij} a_{j} \text{ and } T_{kjh}^{(p)} = g_{jr} T_{kh}^{(p)r}.$$

In view of (3.1), (3.3) and axiom (C3') it is clear that the Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  is uniquely determined from the metric function L and from the given vector fields  $a_k, T_{jk}^{(p)i}$ .

**2.** For the above connection the deflection tensor field  $D_k^{(p)i}$  defined in (C3) is obtained by contracting (3.3) by  $y^j$ 

(3.6) 
$$D_{k}^{(p)i} = G_{k}^{i} + 2C_{km}^{i}G^{m} - C_{km}^{i}N_{o}^{(p)m} - N_{k}^{(p)i} - \frac{1}{2}(a_{o}\delta_{k}^{i} + a_{k}y^{i} - a^{i}y_{k}) + A_{ok}^{(p)i}, \text{ where}$$

(3.7) 
$$G_k^i = \dot{\partial}_k G^i = \gamma_{ok}^i - 2C_{km}^i G^m,$$

(3.8) 
$$G^i = \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{oo}^i.$$

The Suffix ' o ' denotes contraction with respect to the element of support  $y^i$ .

Contracting (3.6) with  $y^k$ , we get

(3.9) 
$$N_o^{(p)i} = 2G^i - D_o^{(p)i} - a_o y^i + \frac{1}{2}a^i L^2 + A_{oo}^{(p)i}.$$

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Substituting the value of  $N_o^{(p)i}$  in (3.6) and using  $C_{jk}^i y^j = 0$ ,  $C_{jhk} y^j = 0$ , we get

$$N_k^{(p)i} = G_k^i - C_{km}^i (A_{oo}^{(p)m} - D_o^{(p)m} + \frac{1}{2}a^m L^2) + (A_{ok}^{(p)i} - D_k^{(p)i}) - \frac{1}{2}(a_o \delta_k^i + a_k y^i - a^i y_k)$$

Hence we have the following

**Theorem 3.2.** Given in a Finsler space a (1,1) tensor field  $D_k^{(p)i}$ , a covariant vector field  $a_k$  and a skew-symmetric (1,2) tensor field  $T_{jk}^{(p)i}$  there exists a unique Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  satisfying the axioms (C1), (C2), (C4'), (C5) and the new axiom (C3''): the deflection tensor field is the given  $D_k^{(p)i}$ .

**3.** The *v*-connection  $F_{jk}^{(p)i}$  is given by (3.3) in which the nonlinear connection is given by

(3.10) 
$$N_k^{(p)i} = G_k^i - C_{km}^i B_o^{(p)m} + B_k^{(p)i}$$
, where

(3.11) 
$$B_k^{(p)i} = A_{ok}^{(p)i} - D_k^{(p)i} - \frac{1}{2}(a_o\delta_k^i + a_ky^i - a^iy_k).$$

The vertical connection is given by (3.1).

As a special case of the above theorem, if we impose the axiom (C3) instead of (C3"), the  $B_k^{(p)i}$  in (3.11) becomes

(3.12) 
$$B_k^{(p)i} = A_{ok}^{(p)i} - \frac{1}{2}(a_o\delta_k^i + a_ky^i - a^iy_k),$$

and we have the following:

**Theorem 3.3.** Given in a Finsler space a skew-symmetric (1,2) tensor field  $T_{jk}^{(p)i}$  and a covariant vector field  $a_k$  there exists a unique Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  satisfying the axioms (C1), (C2), (C3), (C4') and (C5).

These coefficients are given by (3.3), (3.1) and

(3.13)  
$$N_{k}^{(p)i} = G_{k}^{i} - C_{km}^{i} (A_{oo}^{(p)m} - \frac{1}{2} a^{m} L^{2}) + A_{ok}^{(p)i} - \frac{1}{2} (a_{o} \delta_{k}^{i} + a_{k} y^{i} - a^{i} y_{k}).$$

4. If we assume that  $B_k^{(p)i} = 0$ , equation (3.10) reduces to  $N_k^{(p)i} = G_k^i$ , and we have the following results which gives the Finsler connection with deflection and torsion:

**Theorem 3.4.** Given in a Finsler space a skew-symmetric (1.2) tensor field  $T_{jk}^{(p)i}$  and a covariant vector field  $a_k$ , there exists a unique Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  satisfying the axioms (C1), (C2), (C4'), (C5) and the new axiom (C3''): the nonlinear connection is the one given by E. CARTAN.

The coefficients  $F_{ik}^{(p)i}$  are given in this case by

(3.14) 
$$F_{jk}^{(p)i} = \gamma_{jk}^{i} - (C_{km}^{i}G_{j}^{m} + C_{jm}^{i}G_{k}^{m} - g^{hi}C_{jkm}G_{h}^{m}) - \frac{1}{2}(a_{j}\delta_{k}^{i} + a_{k}\delta_{j}^{i} - a^{i}g_{jk}) + A_{jk}^{(p)i}$$

The deflection tensor field  $D_k^{(p)i}$  is expressed as

(3.15) 
$$D_k^{(p)i} = A_{ok}^{(p)i} - \frac{1}{2}(a_o\delta_k^i + a_ky^i - a^iy_k).$$

5. Now we investigate a connection which bears resemblance to the Wagner connection.

**Theorem 3.5.** Given in a Finsler space the covariant vector field  $s_j \neq 0$ and the recurrence vector  $a_j \neq 0$ , there exists a unique Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  satisfying the axioms (C1), (C2), (C3), (C5) and (C4"): the (h)h-torsion field is the given  $T_{jk}^{(p)i} = \delta_j^i s_k - \delta_k^i s_j$ .

PROOF. From the axiom (C2) it follows that the vertical connection  $C_{ik}^{(p)i}$  is given by (3.1).

From axiom (C1) we have

$$\partial_k g_{ij} - N_k^{(p)m} \dot{\partial}_m g_{ij} - g_{mj} F_{ik}^{(p)m} - g_{im} F_{jk}^{(p)m} = a_k g_{ij}.$$

Applying the Christoffel process to the above equation and using axiom  $(C4^{\prime\prime})$  we get

(3.16) 
$$F_{jk}^{(p)i} = \gamma_{jk}^{i} - (C_{km}^{i} N_{j}^{(p)m} + C_{jm}^{i} N_{k}^{(p)m} - g^{hi} C_{jkm} N_{h}^{(p)m}) - \frac{1}{2} (a_{j} \delta_{k}^{i} + a_{k} \delta_{j}^{i} - a^{i} g_{jk}) + g_{jk} s^{i} - \delta_{k}^{i} s_{j}.$$

Contracting (3.16) with  $y^j$ , using axiom (C3) and the fact that  $C^i_{jk}$  is the indicatory tensor, we get

(3.17) 
$$N_{k}^{(p)i} = \gamma_{ok}^{i} - C_{km}^{i} N_{o}^{(p)m} - \frac{1}{2} (a_{k}y^{i} + a_{o}\delta_{k}^{i} - a^{i}y_{k}) + y_{k}s^{i} - \delta_{k}^{i}s_{o}.$$

Again contracting (3.17) with  $y^k$ , we get

(3.18) 
$$N_o^{(p)i} = \gamma_{oo}^i - a_o y^i + \frac{1}{2}L^2 a^i + L^2 s^i - y^i s_o$$

Substituting (3.18) in (3.17) and using (3.7), we get

(3.19) 
$$N_k^{(P)i} = G_k^i + B_k^{ir}(s_r + \frac{1}{2}a_r) + s_k y^i, \text{ where }$$

(3.20) 
$$B_k^{ir} = (y_k g^{ir} - \delta_k^i y^r - \delta_k^r y^i - L^2 C_k^{ir})$$
 and

Substituting (3.19) in (3.16), we get

(3.22) 
$$F_{jk}^{(p)i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} + U_{jk}^{ir}(s_r + \frac{1}{2}a_r) + \delta_j^i s_k, \text{ where }$$

(3.23) 
$$\Gamma_{jk}^{*i} = \frac{1}{2}g^{ih}[d_kg_{jh} + d_jg_{kh} - d_hg_{jk}]$$
 and

(3.24) 
$$U_{jk}^{ir} = g_{jk}g^{ir} - \delta_{j}^{i}\delta_{k}^{r} - C_{j}^{ir}y_{k} - C_{k}^{ir}y_{j} + C_{jk}^{r}y^{i} + C_{jk}^{i}y^{r} - \delta_{k}^{i}\delta_{j}^{r} + L^{2}(C_{j}^{mr}C_{mk}^{i} + C_{j}^{im}C_{mk}^{r} - C_{m}^{ir}C_{jk}^{m}).$$

From (3.22), (3.19) and (3.1) it is clear that the connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  is uniquely determined from the metric function L and from the given vector fields  $s_j$  and  $a_j$ .

The connection defined in the above theorem will be called generalized h-recurrent Wagner connection with respect to the vector field  $s_j$  and the recurrence vector  $a_j$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** Given the covariant vector field  $s_j$  and the recurrence vector  $a_j$  in a Finsler space, there exists a unique Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  satisfying the axioms (C1), (C2), (C4"), (C5) and (C3"): the nonlinear connection  $N_k^{(p)i}$  is the one given by CARTAN.

PROOF. Putting  $N_k^{(p)i} = G_k^i$  in (3.16) and using (3.23) we get (3.25)  $F_{jk}^{(p)i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} - \frac{1}{2}(a_j\delta_k^i + a_k\delta_j^i - a^ig_{jk}) + g_{jk}s^i - \delta_k^is_j.$ 

Thus  $C_{jk}^{(p)i}$  is determined uniquely from axiom (C2),  $N_k^{(p)i}$  is determined from axiom (C3") and  $F_{jk}^{(p)i}$  is determined from axioms (C1) and (C3").

**6.** For simplicity we shall use the following terminology. A generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  means, if nothing else is said, such a connection with vanishing deflection and (h)h-torsion tensor fields. — Omitting of the term "*h*-recurrent" means that  $g_{ij||k} = 0$ .

Definition 3.1. A Finsler space is said to be a generalized *h*-recurrent Berwald space resp. such a space with torsion if it is possible to introduce a generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection without torsion (resp. with torsion) in such a way that the connection coefficient  $F_{jk}^{(p)i}$  depends on position only.

Definition 3.2. A Finsler space is called a generalized *h*-recurrent Wagner space if it is possible to introduce a generalized *h*-recurrent Wagner connection in such a way that the connection coefficient  $F_{jk}^{(p)i}$  depends on the position alone.

**Theorem 3.7.** If the generalized h-recurrent Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  with torsion satisfies the condition  $\dot{\partial}_{\ell} F_{jk}^{(p)i} = 0$  then  $\dot{\partial}_{\ell} a_k = 0$ .

PROOF. From (1.3) it follows that the condition  $\dot{\partial}_\ell F^{(p)i}_{jk}=0$  is equivalent to

(3.26) 
$$P_{jk\ell}^{(p)i} = -C_{j\ell||k}^{(p)i} + C_{jm}^{(p)i} P_{k\ell}^{(p)m}.$$

Applying the Ricci identity ([6]) for the metric tensor  $g_{ij}$  we get

$$g_{ij}\|_{\ell \parallel k} - g_{ij\parallel k}\|_{\ell} = g_{ij\parallel h} C_{k\ell}^{(p)h} + g_{ij}\|_{h} P_{k\ell}^{(p)h} + g_{hj} P_{ik\ell}^{(p)h} + g_{hj} P_{jk\ell}^{(p)h} + g_{ih} P_{jk\ell}^{(p)h}$$

which in view of  $g_{ij||k} = a_k g_{ij}, g_{ij}||_{\ell} = -g_{im}\sigma_{j\ell}^{(p)m} - g_{mj}\sigma_{i\ell}^{(p)m}$  and (3.26) gives

(3.27) 
$$(\dot{\partial}_{\ell} a_k) g_{ij} + 2C_{jim} P_{k\ell}^{(p)m} + 2a_k C_{ij\ell} - 2C_{ij\ell||k} = 0.$$

Contracting this equation with  $y^i$ , we get

$$(\dot{\partial}_{\ell}a_k)y_j + 2C_{ij\ell}D_k^{(p)i} = 0.$$

Again contracting with  $y^j$  and using  $C_{ij\ell}y^j = 0$ , we get

$$(\dot{\partial}_{\ell}a_k)L^2 = 0$$
 which implies that  $\dot{\partial}_{\ell}a_k = 0.$ 

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## 4. Conformal transformations of generalized *h*-recurrent Wagner spaces

1. Let L be the metric function of a Berwald space and let us consider whether this Berwald space may become a generalized h-recurrent Wagner space by a conformal transformation  $\sigma$ :

(4.1) 
$$\bar{L} = e^{\sigma}L$$

In the Finsler space with metric  $\bar{L}$ , a generalized *h*-recurrent Wagner connection  $(\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i}, \bar{N}_k^{(p)i}, \bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i})$  is given by

(4.2) 
$$\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \bar{\Gamma}_{jk}^{*i} + \bar{U}_{jk}^{ir}(s_r + \frac{1}{2}a_r) + \delta_j^i s_k$$

(4.3) 
$$\bar{N}_k^{(p)i} = \bar{G}_k^i + \bar{B}_k^{ir}(s_r + \frac{1}{2}a_r) + y^i s_k$$

(4.4) 
$$\bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \bar{C}_{jk}^i + \bar{\sigma}_{jk}^{(p)i}$$

Since  $U_{jk}^{ir}$ ,  $B_k^{ir}$  and  $C_{jk}^i$  are conformally invariant we can express these in terms of L.

We know that

(4.5) 
$$\bar{\Gamma}_{jk}^{*i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} - U_{jk}^{ir} \sigma_r,$$

(4.6) 
$$\bar{G}_k^i = G_k^i - B_k^{ir} \sigma_r,$$

(4.7) 
$$\bar{C}^i_{jk} = C^i_{jk}$$

where  $\sigma_r = \partial_r \sigma$ . Also from (3.2) and (4.1), we have

(4.8) 
$$\bar{\sigma}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \sigma_{jk}^{(p)i},$$

which shows that  $\sigma_{jk}^{(p)i}$  is also conformally invariant. Using equations (4.5), (4.6), (4.7) and (4.8), equations (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4) become

(4.9) 
$$\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} + U_{jk}^{ir}(s_r + \frac{1}{2}a_r - \sigma_r) + \delta^i{}_j s_k,$$

(4.10) 
$$\bar{N}_k^{(p)i} = G_k^i + B_k^{ir}(s_r + \frac{1}{2}a_r - \sigma_r) + y^i s_k,$$

(4.11) 
$$\bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i} = C_{jk}^{(p)i}.$$

If we put  $s_r = \sigma_r - \frac{1}{2}a_r$  then (4.9) and (4.10) become

(4.12) 
$$\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} + \delta_j^i s_k$$

(4.13) 
$$\bar{N}_k^{(p)i} = G_k^i + y^i s_k.$$

From these observations we have the following

**Theorem 4.1.** By any conformal transformation  $\sigma$ , a Berwald space becomes a generalized *h*-recurrent Wagner space with respect to the vector  $(\sigma_r - \frac{1}{2}a_r)$  and the recurrence vector  $a_j(x)$ .

**2.** In the Finsler space with metric  $\bar{L}$  a generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection  $(\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i}, \bar{N}_k^{(p)i}, \bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i})$  is obtained from (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4) by putting  $s_j = 0$  in them. Thus

(4.14) 
$$\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i} + \frac{1}{2}\bar{U}_{jk}^{ir}a_r$$

(4.15) 
$$\bar{N}_k^{(p)i} = \bar{G}_k^i + \frac{1}{2}\bar{B}_k^{ir}a_r$$

(4.16) 
$$\bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \bar{C}_{jk}^i + \bar{\sigma}_{jk}^{(p)i}.$$

Substituting (4.5), (4.6), (4.7) and (4.8) in the above we have for  $a_r = 2\sigma_r$ 

(4.17) 
$$\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i} = \Gamma_{jk}^{*i}$$

(4.19) 
$$\bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i} = C_{jk}^{(p)i}.$$

Hence we have the following

**Theorem 4.2.** By any conformal transformation  $\sigma$ , a Berwald space becomes a generalized *h*-recurrent Berwald space with respect to the recurrence gradient vector  $2\sigma_r$ .

**3.** The proof of the following theorem can be obtained by checking the axioms (C2) and (C5).

**Theorem 4.3.** Let a generalized *h*-recurrent Finsler connection  $(F_{jk}^{(p)i}, N_k^{(p)i}, C_{jk}^{(p)i})$  with torsion be given in a Finsler space  $(F^n, L)$ . If for a conformal transformation  $\bar{L} = e^{\sigma}L$  we put

(4.20) 
$$\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i} = F_{jk}^{(p)i} + \delta_j^i (\sigma_k + \frac{1}{2}a_k),$$

(4.21) 
$$\bar{N}_k^{(p)i} = N_k^{(p)i} + y^i(\sigma_k + \frac{1}{2}a_k),$$

(4.22)  $\bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i} = C_{jk}^{(p)i},$ 

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then the coefficients  $(\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i}, \bar{N}_k^{(p)i}, \bar{C}_{jk}^{(p)i})$  define a generalized Finsler connection with torsion in a Finsler space  $(F^n, \bar{L})$ .

From the above theorem and theorem (3.7) it follows that if  $F_{jk}^{(p)i}$  depends on the position alone, then  $\bar{F}_{jk}^{(p)i}$  also depends on the position alone. Thus we have the following

**Theorem 4.4.** A generalized h-recurrent Berwald space with torsion with respect to the recurrence vector  $a_j$  transforms to a generalized Berwald space with torsion by any conformal transformation.

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