

## A DEFORMATION OF A QUARTIC CARTAN METRIC

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**Abstract.** In this paper we consider a Cartan space  $C^n = (M, K(x, p))$  with the metric  $K(x, p) = \sqrt[4]{a^{ijkh}(x)p_i p_j p_k p_h}$  and a deformation using  $\omega(x, p) = b_i(x)p_i$ . We call it a Randers- Quartic Cartan space and we are going to study some of its properties.

### 1. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $M$  be a real  $n$ -dimensional differential manifold and  $(T^*M, \pi^*, M)$  its cotangent bundle. If  $(U, x^i)$  is a local chart on  $M$ , then  $(x^i, p_i)$  is the induced system of coordinates on  $\pi^{*-1}(U)$ .

A Cartan metric on  $M$  is a real positive function  $K: T^*M \rightarrow R_+$  satisfying the following properties:

- i)  $K$  is differentiable on  $T^*M - \{0\}$  and continuous on the null section of the projection  $\pi^*$ ;
- ii)  $K$  is positively homogeneous of order one with respect to  $p_i$ :

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$$(1.1) \quad K(x, \lambda p) = \lambda K(x, p), \quad \lambda > 0;$$

iii)  $\forall (x, p) \in T^*M - \{0\}$ ,  $g^{ij}(x, p)$  is positive and nondegenerate, where

$$(1.2) \quad g^{ij}(x, p) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 K^2}{\partial p_i \partial p_j}.$$

The pair  $C^n = (M, K)$  is called a Cartan space and  $g^{ij}(x, p)$  is called the fundamental tensor of the Cartan space.

Let  $g_{ij}$  be the covariant tensor of  $g^{ij}$ :  $g_{ij}g^{jh} = \delta_i^h$ . The Christoffel symbols of  $g^{ij}(x, p)$  are given by

$$(1.3) \quad \gamma_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2} g^{ih} \left( \frac{\partial g_{hj}}{\partial x^k} + \frac{\partial g_{hk}}{\partial x^j} - \frac{\partial g_{jk}}{\partial x^h} \right).$$

We denote

$$(1.4) \quad \gamma_{jk}^0 = \gamma_{jk}^i p_i$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad \gamma_{j0}^0 = \gamma_{jk}^i p_i p^k.$$

The canonical nonlinear connection of the Cartan space  $C^n = (M, K)$  is given by the coefficients

$$(1.6) \quad N_{ij} = \gamma_{ij}^0 - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{h0}^0 \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial p_h}.$$

If we consider the canonical metrical connection  $CT(N) = (H_{jk}^i, C_{jk}^i)$  of the Cartan space, the local components of  $CT(N)$  have the expressions:

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} H_{jk}^i &= \frac{1}{2} g^{is} \left( \frac{\partial g_{sj}}{\partial x^k} + \frac{\partial g_{sk}}{\partial x^j} - \frac{\partial g_{jk}}{\partial x^s} \right) \\ C_i^{jk} &= g_{is} C^{sjk} = -\frac{1}{2} g_{is} \left( \frac{\partial g^{sk}}{\partial p_j} + \frac{\partial g^{js}}{\partial p_k} - \frac{\partial g^{jk}}{\partial p_s} \right), \end{aligned}$$

Where

$$(1.8) \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta x^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} + N_{ks} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_s}$$

## 2. QUARTIC CARTAN SPACE

Let  $C^n = (M, K)$  be a Cartan space with the metric

$$(2.1) \quad K(x, p) = \sqrt[4]{a^{ijkh}(x) p_i p_j p_k p_h},$$

where  $a^{ijkh}(x)$  are the components of a symmetric tensor field of (4,0)-type.

We call this space a *quartic Cartan space* and we denote it by  $QC^n$ .

For an easier calculation we also denote:

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} a^{ijkh}(x) p_h &= K a^{ijk}(x, p); \\ a^{ijkh}(x) p_k p_h &= K^2 a^{ij}(x, p); \\ a^{ijkh}(x) p_j p_k p_h &= K^3 a^i(x, p). \end{aligned}$$

The angular metrical tensor of  $QC^n$  space is

$$(2.3) \quad h^{ij} = 3(a^{ij} - a^i a^j).$$

and the fundamental tensor is

$$(2.4) \quad g^{ij} = 3a^{ij} - 2a^i a^j.$$

Supposing that  $(a^{ij})$  is regular, there exists the inverse matrix  $(a_{ij}) = (a^{ij})^{-1}$ . So we get

$$(2.5) \quad a_i = a_{ij} a^j, a_s a^{sjk} = a^{jk}, a_{is} a^{sjk} = a_i^{jk}$$

and the components  $g_{ij} = (g^{ij})^{-1}$ :

$$(2.6) \quad g_{ij} = \frac{1}{3} a_{ij} + \frac{2}{3} a_i a_j$$

The components of the v-torsion tensor  $C^{ijk} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g^{ij}}{\partial p_k}$  are

$$(2.7) \quad C^{ijk} = -\frac{3}{K} (a^{ijk} - a^{ij} a^k - a^{jk} a^i - a^{ki} a^j + 2a^i a^j a^k).$$

### 3. RANDERS QUARTIC CARTAN SPACE

It is well known that a Randers metric is a deformation of a Riemannian metric  $\alpha(x, y) = \sqrt{a_{ij}(x)y^i y^j}$  with a 1-form  $\beta(x, y) = b_i(x)y^i$ . In the same way now we are considering a deformation of a quartic Cartan metric  $K(x, p) = \sqrt[4]{a^{ijkh}(x)p_i p_j p_k p_h}$  with  $\omega(x, p) = b^i(x)p_i$ .

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $QC^n = (M, K(x, p))$  be a quartic Cartan space with the metric  $K(x, p) = \sqrt[4]{a^{ijkh}(x)p_i p_j p_k p_h}$ . The space  $RQC^n = (M, F(x, p))$ , where  $F(x, p) = K(x, p) + \omega(x, p)$  is called *Randers Quartic Cartan space*.

**Proposition 3.1.** The fundamental tensor of  $RQC^n$  is

$$(3.1) \quad \hat{g}^{ij} = 3\varepsilon a^{ij} - (3\varepsilon - 1)a^i a^j + a^i b^j + a^j b^i + b^i b^j$$

where  $\varepsilon = \frac{F}{K}$

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $QC^n = (M, K)$  a Quartic Cartan space and  $g^{ij}$  his fundamental tensor. The fundamental tensor of the space  $RQC^n = (M, F = K + \omega)$  is

$$(3.2) \quad \hat{g}^{ij} = \frac{F}{K} (g^{ij} - a^i a^j) + (a^i + b^i)(a^j + b^j).$$

**Theorem 3.2** The components of the v-torsion tensor  $\hat{C}^{ijk}$  of  $RQC^n$  are given by

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{C}^{ijk} = & -2\frac{F}{K}C^{ijk} - \frac{1}{2}h^{ij}\frac{b^k K - \omega a^k}{K^2} \\ & + 3\frac{a^{ik} - a^i a^k}{K}\left(a^j + b^j - \frac{F}{K}a^j\right) + 3\frac{a^{jk} - a^j a^k}{K}\left(a^i + b^i - \frac{F}{K}a^i\right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $C^{ijk}$  are the components of the v-torsion tensor of  $QC^n$  space.

**Proof:** We have  $\hat{C}^{ijk} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \hat{g}^{ij}}{\partial p_k}$  and from (3.2) we get

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{C}^{ijk} = & -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial p_k} (g^{ij} - a^i a^j) + \varepsilon \left( \frac{\partial g^{ij}}{\partial p_k} - \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial p_k} a^j - \frac{\partial a^j}{\partial p_k} a^i \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial p_k} (a^j + b^j) + \frac{\partial a^j}{\partial p_k} (a^i + b^i) \right] \end{aligned}$$

By a direct calculation we obtain

$$(3.5) \quad \frac{\partial a^i}{\partial p_k} = 3 \frac{a^{ik} - a^i a^k}{K},$$

$$(3.6) \quad \frac{\partial a^{ij}}{\partial p_k} = 2 \frac{a^{ijk} - a^{ij} a^k}{K}$$

and

$$(3.7) \quad \frac{\partial \varepsilon}{\partial p_k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial p_k} \left( \frac{\omega}{K} \right) = \frac{b^k K - \omega a^k}{K^2}.$$

Replacing (3.5), (3.6) and (3.7) in (3.4) we get immediately the conclusion.

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