

ON THE LANDSBERG SPACES OF DIMENSION TWO
WITH A SPECIAL (α, β) -METRIC

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ABSTRACT. The present paper is devoted to studying the condition that a two-dimensional Finsler space with a special (α, β) -metric be a Landsberg space. It is proved that if a Finsler space with a special (α, β) -metric is a Landsberg space, then it is a Berwald space.

1. Introduction

We consider a Finsler space with the Cartan connection CT . If the covariant derivative $C_{hij|k}$ of the C -torsion tensor of CT satisfies $C_{hij|k}y^k = 0$, then the Finsler space is called a Landsberg space. A Berwald space is characterized by $C_{hij|k} = 0$. Berwald spaces are specially interesting and important, because the connection is linear, and many examples of Berwald spaces have been known. On the other hand, if a Finsler space is a Landsberg space and satisfies some additional conditions, then it is merely a Berwald space ([3], [9]).

The purpose of the present paper is devoted to finding a Landsberg space in a two-dimensional Finsler space F^2 with a special (α, β) -metric $L(\alpha, \beta)$ satisfying $L^2 = c_1\alpha^2 + 2c_2\alpha\beta + c_3\beta^2$, where c_1, c_2, c_3 are non-zero constants. First we determine the difference vector and the main scalar of F^2 with $L^2 = c_1\alpha^2 + 2c_2\alpha\beta + c_3\beta^2$. Next we derive the condition for F^2 with a special (α, β) -metric to be a Landsberg space. Finally we show that if F^2 with the above metric is a Landsberg space, then it is a Berwald space.

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2. Preliminaries

Let $F^n = (M^n, L(\alpha, \beta))$ be an n -dimensional Finsler space with an (α, β) -metric and $R^n = (M^n, \alpha)$ the associated Riemannian space, where $\alpha^2 = a_{ij}(x)y^i y^j$, $\beta = b_i(x)y^i$. In the following the Riemannian metric α is *not supposed to be positive-definite* and we shall restrict our discussions to a domain of (x, y) , where β does not vanish. The covariant differentiation in the Levi-Civita connection $\gamma_j^i{}_k(x)$ of R^n is denoted by the semi-colon. Let us list the symbols here for the late use:

$$\begin{aligned} 2r_{ij} &= b_{i;j} + b_{j;i}, & 2s_{ij} &= b_{i;j} - b_{j;i}, & r^i{}_j &= a^{ir}r_{rj}, & s^i{}_j &= a^{ir}s_{rj}, \\ r_i &= b_r r^r{}_i, & s_i &= b_r s^r{}_i, & b^i &= a^{ir}b_r, & b^2 &= a^{rs}b_r b_s. \end{aligned}$$

The Berwald connection $B\Gamma = (G_j^i{}_k, G^i{}_j)$ of F^n plays one of the leading roles in the present paper. Denote by $B_j^i{}_k$ the difference tensor ([8]) of $G_j^i{}_k$ from $\gamma_j^i{}_k$ as follows:

$$G_j^i{}_k(x, y) = \gamma_j^i{}_k(x) + B_j^i{}_k(x, y).$$

With the subscript 0, transvection by y^i , we have

$$G^i{}_j = \gamma_0^i{}_j + B^i{}_j, \quad 2G^i = \gamma_0^i{}_0 + 2B^i,$$

and then $B^i{}_j = \dot{\partial}_j B^i$ and $B_j^i{}_k = \dot{\partial}_k B^i{}_j$. It is noted that the Cartan connection also has the nonlinear connection $G^i{}_j$ common to $B\Gamma$. $B^i(x, y)$ is called the *difference vector* in the present paper.

Since $B\Gamma$ is L -metrical, $L(\alpha, \beta)$ satisfies

$$L_{|i} = \partial_i L - (\dot{\partial}_r L)G^r{}_i = 0 = L_1 \alpha_{|i} + L_2 \beta_{|i},$$

where $(L_1, L_2) = (\partial L / \partial \alpha, \partial L / \partial \beta)$, and so

$$(2.1) \quad \alpha_{|i} = -\frac{L_2}{L_1} \beta_{|i}.$$

It is observed that $\beta_{|i} = b_{s|i}y^s = (b_{s;i} - b_r B_s^r{}_i)y^s$, which implies

$$(2.2) \quad \beta_{|i}y^i = r_{00} - 2b_r B^r.$$

For the scalar b^2 we have $b_{|i}^2 y^i = (\partial_i b^2) y^i = b_{;i}^2 y^i = 2b^r (r_{ri} + s_{ri}) y^i$, which shows

$$(2.3) \quad b_{|i}^2 y^i = 2(r_0 + s_0).$$

Next the quadratic form

$$\gamma^2 = b^2 \alpha^2 - \beta^2 = (b^2 a_{ij} - b_i b_j) y^i y^j.$$

plays a role in the following. From the equations above it is easy to show

$$(2.4) \quad \gamma_{|i}^2 y^i = 2(r_0 + s_0) \alpha^2 - 2 \left(\frac{L_2}{L_1} b^2 \alpha + \beta \right) (r_{00} - 2b_r B^r).$$

The following Lemma has been shown as follows:

LEMMA 2.1. ([2], [5]) *If $\alpha^2 \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}$, that is, $a_{ij}(x) y^i y^j$ contains $b_i(x) y^i$ as a factor, then the dimension n is equal to two and b^2 vanishes. In this case we have $\delta = d_i(x) y^i$ satisfying $\alpha^2 = \beta \delta$ and $d_i b^i = 2$.*

LEMMA 2.2. ([5]) *We consider the two-dimensional case.*

(1) *If $b^2 \neq 0$, then there exist a sign $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ and $\delta = d_i(x) y^i$ such that $\alpha^2 = \beta^2/b^2 + \varepsilon \delta^2$ and $d_i b^i = 0$.*

(2) *If $b^2 = 0$, then there exists $\delta = d_i(x) y^i$ such that $\alpha^2 = \beta \delta$ and $d_i b^i = 2$.*

If there are two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ satisfying $f\alpha^2 + g\beta^2 = 0$, then $f = g = 0$ is obvious, because $f \neq 0$ implies a contradiction $\alpha^2 = (-g/f)\beta^2$.

In the present paper we consider an n -dimensional Finsler space with a special (α, β) -metric $L(\alpha, \beta)$ satisfying

$$(2.5) \quad L^2(\alpha, \beta) = c_1 \alpha^2 + 2c_2 \alpha \beta + c_3 \beta^2,$$

where c_1, c_2 and c_3 are non-zero constants. This metric was introduced and studied in [10] as a generalization of the Randers metric for the first time. If $c_1 c_3 - c_2^2 = 0$, then the metric is a Randers metric. We shall deal with non-Randers space afterward. Therefore $c_1 c_3 - c_2^2 \neq 0$ must be assumed. The following has been shown in [10] as follows:

PROPOSITION 2.3. *Let F^n be the Finsler space with a special (α, β) -metric $L(\alpha, \beta)$ satisfying (2.5), Then F^n is a Berwald space, if and only if $b_{i;j} = 0$ is satisfied.*

3. The Landsberg space with a special (α, β) -metric

Let $F^n = (M^n, L(\alpha, \beta))$ be an n -dimensional Finsler space with a special (α, β) -metric given by (2.5). By means of the method given in [8], the difference vector of F^n is given by

$$(3.1) \quad 2B^i = \frac{1}{Z}(r_{00} - 2\alpha As_0)(c_2 L^2 y^i + h\alpha^3 b^i) + 2\alpha As_0^i.$$

where $Z = L^2(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta) + h\alpha\gamma^2$, $h = c_1c_3 - c_2^2$, $A = (c_2\alpha + c_3\beta)/(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)$.

Before discussing our problem, we must consider the assumption $Z \neq 0$, because Z appears in the denominator in (3.1). If $Z = 0$, then we have

$$c_1^2\alpha^3 + 3c_1c_2\alpha^2\beta + 3c_2^2\alpha\beta^2 + c_2c_3\beta^3 + (c_1c_3 - c_2^2)b^2\alpha^3 = 0,$$

which is written in the form $P\alpha + Q = 0$, where

$$P = \{c_1^2 + (c_1c_3 - c_2^2)b^2\}\alpha^2 + 3c_2^2\beta^2, \quad Q = \beta(3c_1c_2\alpha^2 + c_2c_3\beta^2).$$

Since P and Q are rational polynomials of (y^i) and α is an irrational function of (y^i) , we have $P = 0$ and $Q = 0$. These lead to $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$. This is a contradiction because c_1, c_2, c_3 are non zero constants. Hence $Z \neq 0$ is a proper assumption all through.

It follows from (3.1) that

$$(3.2) \quad r_{00} - 2b_r B^r = \frac{\alpha(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)^2}{Z}(r_{00} - 2\alpha As_0).$$

Now we deal with the condition for a two-dimensional Finsler space F^2 with (2.5) to be a Landsberg space. It is known that in the two-dimensional case, a general Finsler space is a Landsberg space, if and only if its main scalar $I(x, y)$ satisfies $I_{|i}y^i = 0$ ([7]).

Owing to [6], the main scalar of F^2 is obtained easily as follows:

$$(3.3) \quad \varepsilon I^2 = \frac{9c_2^2\gamma^2 L^8}{4\alpha Z^3}.$$

Substituting (2.2) and (3.2) in the transvection of (2.1) by y^i , we have

$$(3.4) \quad -Z\gamma^2\alpha_{|i}y^i = \alpha A\gamma^2(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)^2(r_{00} - 2\alpha As_0).$$

Furthermore substitution of (2.5) and (3.2) in (2.4) leads to

$$(3.5) \quad \alpha Z\gamma_{|i}^2y^i = 2\alpha^2\{(r_0 + s_0)\alpha Z - (Ab^2\alpha + \beta)(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)^2(r_{00} - 2\alpha As_0)\}.$$

Making use of (2.1), (2.2), (2.4) and (3.2), we get

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & -3\alpha\gamma^2Z_{|i}y^i \\ & = \frac{3h\alpha^2\gamma^2}{Z} \left[\{\beta L^2 + (c_2\alpha + c_3\beta)\gamma^2 + 2\alpha(Ab^2\alpha + \beta)(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. (c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)(r_{00} - 2\alpha As_0) - 2\alpha^2(r_0 + s_0)Z \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The covariant differentiation of (3.3) leads to

$$(3.7) \quad 4\alpha^3Z^3\varepsilon I_{|i}^2y^i = \frac{9c_2^2L^8}{Z}(\alpha Z\gamma_{|i}^2y^i - Z\gamma^2\alpha_{|i}y^i - 3\alpha\gamma^2Z_{|i}y^i).$$

Substituting (3.4), (3.5) and (3.6) in (3.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 4\alpha^2Z^3\varepsilon I_{|i}^2y^i & = \frac{9c_2^2L^8}{Z} \left[2\alpha^2Z\{(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)L^2 - 2h\alpha\gamma^2\}(r_0 + s_0) \right. \\ & \quad - (c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)[Z(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)\{A(b^2\alpha^2 + \beta^2) + 2\alpha\beta\} \\ & \quad - 3h\alpha\gamma^2\{\beta L^2 + (c_2\alpha + c_3\beta)(3b^2\alpha^2 - \beta^2) \\ & \quad \left. + 2(c_1\alpha + c_2\beta)\alpha\beta\}](r_{00} - 2\alpha As_0) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the two-dimensional Finsler space F^2 with (2.5) is a Landsberg space, if and only if

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} & (A_8\alpha^8 + A_7\alpha^7\beta + A_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + A_5\alpha^5\beta^3 + A_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + A_3\alpha^3\beta^5 \\ & \quad + A_2\alpha^2\beta^6)(r_0 + s_0) + (B_7\alpha^7 + B_6\alpha^6\beta + B_5\alpha^5\beta^2 + B_4\alpha^4\beta^3 \\ & \quad + B_3\alpha^3\beta^4 + B_2\alpha^2\beta^5 + B_1\alpha\beta^6 + B_0\beta^7)r_{00} + (C_8\alpha^8 + C_7\alpha^7\beta \\ & \quad + C_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + C_5\alpha^5\beta^3 + C_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + C_3\alpha^3\beta^5 + C_2\alpha^2\beta^6 \\ & \quad + C_1\alpha\beta^7)s_0 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
A_8 &= 2c_1^4 - 2c_1^2hb^2 - 4h^2b^4, \quad A_7 = 12c_1^3c_2 - 6c_1c_2hb^2, \\
A_6 &= 6c_1^2(c_1c_3 + 4c_2^2) + 6(c_1c_3 - 2c_2^2)hb^2, \\
A_5 &= 2c_1c_2(11c_1c_3 + 9c_2^2) - 2c_2c_3hb^2, \quad A_4 = 30c_1c_2^2c_3, \\
A_3 &= 6c_2c_3(c_1c_3 + c_2^2), \quad A_2 = 2c_2^2c_3^2, \quad B_7 = -c_1^3c_2b^2 + 8c_1c_2hb^4, \\
B_6 &= -3c_1^4 + c_1^2(6c_1c_3 - 11c_2^2)b^2 + 8(c_1c_3 + c_2^2)hb^4, \\
B_5 &= -11c_1^3c_2 - 10c_1c_2^3b^2 + 8c_2c_3hb^4, \\
B_4 &= -5c_1^2(2c_1c_3 + 3c_2^2) - 10c_1^2c_3^2b^2, \\
B_3 &= -6c_1c_2(4c_1c_3 + c_2^2) - c_2c_3(11c_1c_3 - 6c_2^2)b^2, \\
B_2 &= -20c_1c_2^2c_3 - c_2^2c_3^2b^2, \quad B_1 = -c_2c_3(c_1c_3 + 6c_2^2), \\
B_0 &= -c_2^2c_3^2, \quad C_8 = -2c_1^2c_2^2b^2 - 16c_2^2hb^4, \\
C_7 &= 4c_1^3c_2 - 10c_1c_2(c_1c_3 - 2c_2^2)b^2 - 32c_2c_3hb^4, \\
C_6 &= 2c_1^2(c_1c_3 + 9c_2^2) - 4c_1c_3(3c_1c_3 - 8c_2^2)b^2 - 16c_3^2hb^4, \\
C_5 &= 2c_1c_2(19c_1c_3 + 6c_2^2) + 4c_2c_3(8c_1c_3 - 3c_2^2)b^2, \\
C_4 &= 20c_1c_3(c_1c_3 + 2c_2^2) + 10c_3^2(2c_1c_3 - c_2^2)b^2, \\
C_3 &= 4c_2c_3(7c_1c_3 + 3c_2^2) + 2c_2c_3^2b^2, \quad C_2 = 14c_2^2c_3^2, \quad C_1 = 2c_2c_3^3.
\end{aligned}$$

Seperating (3.8) in the rational and the irrational terms of (y^i) , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\{ (A_8\alpha^8 + A_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + A_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + A_2\alpha^2\beta^6)(r_0 + s_0) + (B_6\alpha^6\beta + B_4\alpha^4\beta^3 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + B_2\alpha^2\beta^5 + B_0\beta^7)r_{00} + (C_8\alpha^8 + C_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + C_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + C_2\alpha^2\beta^6)s_0 \right\} \\
&\quad + \alpha \left\{ (A_7\alpha^6\beta + A_5\alpha^4\beta^3 + A_3\alpha^2\beta^5)(r_0 + s_0) + (B_7\alpha^6 + B_5\alpha^4\beta^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + B_3\alpha^2\beta^4 + B_1\beta^6)r_{00} + (C_7\alpha^6\beta + C_5\alpha^4\beta^3 + C_3\alpha^2\beta^5 + C_1\beta^7)s_0 \right\} \\
&= 0,
\end{aligned}$$

which yields two equations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.9) \quad &(A_8\alpha^8 + A_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + A_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + A_2\alpha^2\beta^6)(r_0 + s_0) \\
&\quad + (B_6\alpha^6\beta + B_4\alpha^4\beta^3 + B_2\alpha^2\beta^5 + B_0\beta^7)r_{00} \\
&\quad + (C_8\alpha^8 + C_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + C_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + C_2\alpha^2\beta^6)s_0 = 0,
\end{aligned}$$

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} & (A_7\alpha^6\beta + A_5\alpha^4\beta^3 + A_3\alpha^2\beta^5)(r_0 + s_0) \\ & + (B_7\alpha^6 + B_5\alpha^4\beta^2 + B_3\alpha^2\beta^4 + B_1\beta^6)r_{00} \\ & + (C_7\alpha^6\beta + C_5\alpha^4\beta^3 + C_3\alpha^2\beta^5 + C_1\beta^7)s_0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.9) and (3.10) we obtain respectively

$$(3.11) \quad B_0\beta^7 r_{00} \equiv 0 \pmod{\alpha^2},$$

$$(3.12) \quad B_1\beta^6 r_{00} + C_1\beta^7 s_0 \equiv 0 \pmod{\alpha^2}.$$

From $B_0 \neq 0$ (3.11) is reduced to

$$(3.11') \quad \beta^7 r_{00} \equiv 0 \pmod{\alpha^2}.$$

In the following we shall denote the homogeneous polynomials in (y^i) of degree r by $hp(r)$ for brevity. For instance, $v_3 = v_{ijk}y^i y^j y^k$ is an $hp(3)$. Then (3.11') is written as

$$\beta^7 r_{00} = \alpha^2 u_7,$$

where u_7 is an $hp(7)$. From $b^2 \neq 0$ it follows that $\alpha^2 \neq 0 \pmod{\beta}$ and there must exist a function $f(x)$ such that $u_7 = \beta^7 f(x)$. Hence we have

$$(3.11'') \quad r_{00} = \alpha^2 f(x); \quad r_{ij} = a_{ij} f(x).$$

Then (3.12) is reduced to

$$(3.12') \quad \beta^7 s_0 \equiv 0 \pmod{\alpha^2},$$

because of $C_1 \neq 0$. (3.12') shows that there exists an $hp(6)$ u_6 satisfying $\beta^7 s_0 = \alpha^2 u_6$, which implies $u_6 = 0$, because $\alpha^2 u_6$ can not contain β^7 as a factor. Thus we have

$$(3.12'') \quad s_0 = 0; \quad s_i = 0.$$

It is obvious that (3.11'') gives

$$(3.13) \quad r_0 = \beta f(x); \quad r_j = b_j f(x).$$

Therefore (3.11) and (3.12) are reduced to (3.11''), (3.12'') and (3.13), and (3.9), (3.10) are reduced respectively to

$$(3.14) \quad f(x)[(A_8 + B_6)\alpha^6 + (A_6 + B_4)\alpha^4\beta^2 + (A_4 + B_2)\alpha^2\beta^4 + (A_2 + B_0)\beta^6] = 0,$$

$$(3.15) \quad f(x)[B_7\alpha^6 + (A_7 + B_5)\alpha^4\beta^2 + (A_5 + B_3)\alpha^2\beta^4 + (A_3 + B_1)\beta^6] = 0.$$

Let us assume $f(x) \neq 0$. Then (3.14) and (3.15) imply

$$(A_2 + B_0)\beta^6 = \alpha^2 v_4, \quad (A_3 + B_1)\beta^6 = \alpha^2 w_4,$$

where v_4, w_4 are $hp(4)$. Analogously to the above, these imply $v_4 = w_4 = 0$. We have, however,

$$A_2 + B_0 = (c_2 c_3)^2 \neq 0, \quad A_3 + B_1 = 5c_1 c_2 c_3^2 \neq 0.$$

Thus we arrive at a contradiction. Hence $f(x) = 0$ must hold and we have $r_{00} = 0$; $r_{ij} = 0$ and $s = 0$; $s_i = 0$.

If $b^2 = 0$, then (3.9) and (3.10) are reduced to

$$(3.16) \quad \begin{aligned} & (D_8\alpha^8 + D_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + A_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + A_2\alpha^2\beta^6)(r_0 + s_0) \\ & + (E_6\alpha^6\beta + E_4\alpha^4\beta^3 + E_2\alpha^2\beta^5 + B_0\beta^7)r_{00} \\ & + (F_6\alpha^6\beta^2 + F_4\alpha^4\beta^4 + C_2\alpha^2\beta^6)s_0 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} & (D_7\alpha^6\beta + D_5\alpha^4\beta^3 + A_3\alpha^2\beta^5)(r_0 + s_0) \\ & + (E_5\alpha^4\beta^2 + E_3\alpha^2\beta^4 + B_1\beta^6)r_{00} \\ & + (F_7\alpha^6\beta + F_5\alpha^4\beta^3 + F_3\alpha^2\beta^5 + C_1\beta^7)s_0 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D_8 &= 2c_1^4, \quad D_7 = 12c_1^3c_2, \quad D_6 = 6c_1^2(c_1c_3 + 4c_2^2), \\ D_5 &= 2c_1c_2(11c_1c_3 + 9c_2^2), \quad E_6 = -2c_1^4, \quad E_5 = -11c_1^3c_2, \\ E_4 &= -5c_1^2(2c_1c_3 + 3c_2^2), \quad E_3 = -6c_1c_2(4c_1c_3 + c_2^2), \\ E_2 &= -20c_1c_2^2c_3, \quad F_7 = -4c_1^3c_2, \quad F_6 = 2c_1^2(c_1c_3 + 9c_2^2), \\ F_5 &= 2c_1c_2(19c_1c_3 + 6c_2^2), \quad F_4 = 20c_1c_3(c_1c_3 + 2c_2^2), \\ F_3 &= 4c_2c_3(7c_1c_3 + 3c_2^2). \end{aligned}$$

Making use of Lemma 2.1, (3.16) and (3.17) are reduced to

$$(3.18) \quad \beta \left\{ (D_6 \delta^3 + A_4 \delta^2 \beta + A_2 \delta \beta^2)(r_0 + s_0) \right. \\ \left. + (E_4 \delta^2 + E_2 \delta \beta + B_0 \beta^2)r_{00} + (F_6 \delta^3 + E_4 \delta^2 \beta + C_2 \delta \beta^2)s_0 \right\} \\ + \left\{ D_8 \delta^4 (r_0 + s_0) + E_6 \delta^3 r_{00} \right\} = 0,$$

$$(3.19) \quad \beta \left\{ (D_5 \delta^2 + A_3 \delta \beta)(r_0 + s_0) + (E_3 \delta + B_1 \beta)r_{00} \right. \\ \left. + (F_5 \delta^2 + F_3 \delta \beta + C_2 \beta^2)s_0 \right\} \\ + \left\{ D_7 \delta^3 (r_0 + s_0) + E_5 \delta^2 r_{00} + F_7 \delta^3 s_0 \right\} = 0.$$

From (3.18) and (3.19) we have

$$\delta^3 \{ D_8 \delta (r_0 + s_0) + E_6 r_{00} \} \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}, \\ \delta^2 \{ D_7 \delta (r_0 + s_0) + F_7 \delta s_0 + E_5 r_{00} \} \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}.$$

Since $r_0 + s_0 = b_i^2 y^i / 2$ vanishes because of $b^2 = 0$, the above equations are written as follows:

$$(3.20) \quad E_6 \delta^3 r_{00} \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta},$$

$$(3.21) \quad \delta^2 \{ E_7 \delta s_0 + E_5 r_{00} \} \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}.$$

Because of $E_6 \neq 0$, (3.20) is reduced to $\delta^3 r_{00} \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}$. Then there exists an $hp(4)$ x_4 such that

$$\delta^3 r_{00} = \beta x_4.$$

Since $\delta^3 \equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}$, there exists an $hp(1)$ λ satisfying

$$(3.20') \quad r_{00} = \lambda \beta; \quad r_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_i b_j + \lambda_j b_i).$$

Substituting (3.20') in (3.21), there exists an $hp(3)$ w_3 such that

$$(3.21') \quad \delta^2 (F_7 \delta s_0 + E_5 \lambda \beta) = \beta w_3.$$

From $\delta^2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{\beta}$ we have $w_3 = \mu\delta^2$ and $F_7\delta s_0 + E_5\lambda\beta = \mu\beta$, where μ is an $hp(1)$, that is, $F_7s_0\delta = (\mu - E_5\lambda)\beta$. Therefore there exists a function $g(x)$ such that

$$(3.22) \quad F_7s_0 = g(x)\beta, \quad \mu - E_5\lambda = g(x)\delta,$$

which implies $s_0 = f(x)\beta$, where $f(x) = g(x)/F_7$. Substituting (3.20'), $s_0 = f(x)\beta$ and $s_0 + r_0 = 0$ in (3.18) and (3.19), we get respectively

$$(3.23) \quad (E_4\delta^2 + E_2\delta\beta + B_0\beta^2)\lambda\beta + (F_6\delta^3\beta + C_2\delta\beta^2)f\beta + E_6\delta^3\lambda = 0,$$

$$(3.24) \quad (E_3\delta + B_1\beta)\lambda\beta + (F_5\delta^2 + F_3\delta\beta + C_1\beta^2)f\beta + E_5\delta^2\lambda + E_7\delta^3f = 0.$$

The term $B_0\lambda\beta^3$ of (3.23) and the term $B_1\lambda\beta^2 + C_1f\beta^3$ of (3.24) seemingly do not contain δ , and hence we must have $hp(3)$ X_3 and $hp(2)$ Y_2 satisfying

$$B_0\lambda\beta^3 = \delta X_3, \quad B_1\lambda\beta^2 + C_1f\beta^3 = \delta\beta Y_2$$

respectively. Eliminating λ from above the equations, we get

$$(3.25) \quad C_1B_0f\beta^4 = \delta W_3,$$

where $W_3 = B_0\beta Y_2 - B_1X_3$ is an $hp(3)$, and hence $W_3 = 0$, because δW_3 can not contain β^4 as a factor. Since $C_1 \neq 0$, $B_0 \neq 0$, we obtain $f = 0$. Substituting $f = 0$ in (3.24), we have

$$\lambda\{(E_3\delta + B_1\beta)\beta + E_5\delta^2\} = 0.$$

If $\lambda \neq 0$, then we have $B_1\beta^2 = -(E_3\beta + B_1\delta)\delta$, which implies $E_3\beta + E_5\delta = 0$, because $(E_3\beta + B_1\delta)\delta$ can not contain β^2 as a factor. Since (β, δ) are independant, we obtain $E_3 = E_5 = 0$. This is contradictory to $E_3 \neq 0$, $E_5 \neq 0$. Hence $\lambda = 0$. From (3.20') and $s_0 = f\beta$ we have $r_{00} = 0$ and $s_0 = 0$ directly.

Summarizing up, we obtain $r_{00} = 0$ and $s_0 = 0$ in both cases of $b^2 \neq 0$ and $b^2 = 0$, that is,

$$(3.26) \quad b_{i:j} + b_{j:i} = 0, \quad b^r b_{r:i} = 0.$$

Consequently, we have the following

THEOREM 3.1. *The necessary and sufficient condition for a two-dimensional Finsler space F^2 with a special (α, β) -metric $L(\alpha, \beta)$ satisfying (2.5) to be a Landsberg space is that b_i is a Killing vector with constant length.*

Now we shall prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.2. *Let F^2 be a two-dimensional Finsler space with a special (α, β) -metric $L(\alpha, \beta)$ satisfying (2.5). If F^2 is a Landsberg space, then F^2 is a Berwald space.*

Proof. (3.26) of the two-dimensional case is written as

$$(3.26') \quad b_{1;1} = 0, \quad b_{2;2} = 0, \quad b_{1;2} = -b_{2;1}.$$

$$b^1 b_{1;1} + b^2 b_{2;1} = b^2 b_{2;1} = 0, \quad b^1 b_{1;2} + b^2 b_{2;2} = -b^1 b_{2;1} = 0,$$

where (b^1, b^2) of (3.26') is the contravariant component of (b_1, b_2) . This is nothing but $b_{i;j} = 0$, $i, j = 1, 2$, which coincides with the condition for the space to be a Berwald space from Proposition 2.3. Thus the proof is completed. \square

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