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Geometria differenziale. — *On the induced theory of Finsler hypersurfaces from the standpoint of non-linear connections.* Nota di UDAI PRATAD SINGH, presentata (*) dal Socio E. BOMPIANI.

RIASSUNTO. — Le connessioni non lineari negli spazi di Finsler sono state studiate da Vagner, Barthel e Kawaguchi (v. bibliografia). Nella presente Nota si studiano le connessioni indotte in una ipersuperficie di Finsler. In particolare si danno le condizioni necessarie e sufficienti affinché una connessione metrica (secondo Rund) nell'ambiente induca una connessione pure metrica nell'ipersuperficie. Si studiano anche relazioni fra le geodetiche di una ipersuperficie e quelle dell'ambiente d'immersione.

1. INTRODUCTION

We outline below some fundamental formulae which will be used in the subsequent sections of this paper.

Let X^i be a vectorfield, $g_{ij}(x, X)$ be the components of the metric tensor of a Finsler space F_n and $Y_i = g_{ij}(x, X) X^j$. Suppose we are given functions $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i(x, X)$ and $\overset{2}{\Gamma}_{ik}(x, Y)$ such that the absolute differentials

$$(1.1) \quad \delta X^i = dX^i + \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i(x, X) dx^k$$

and

$$(1.2) \quad \delta Y_i = dY_i - \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{ik}(x, Y) dx^k$$

are respectively the components of contravariant and covariant vectors. The functions $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i(x, X)$, $\overset{2}{\Gamma}_{ik}(x, Y)$ are supposed to be positively homogeneous of first degree in X and Y respectively. These are used in defining the connection parameters

$$(1.3) \quad \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{jk}^i(x, X) = \frac{\partial \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i}{\partial X^j}, \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{jk}^i(x, Y) = \frac{\partial \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{jk}(x, Y)}{\partial Y_i}.$$

We mention the following two conditions:

(A) If X^i undergoes parallel displacement (i.e. $\delta X^i = 0$) then so does Y_i (i.e. $\delta Y_i = 0$). This condition is characterised by (Rund [4], page 238)

$$(1.4) \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{ik}(x, Y) = \frac{\partial g_{ij}(x, X)}{\partial x^k} X^j - g_{ij} \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^j(x, X).$$

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(B) The connection defined by $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i(x, X)$ is metric, i.e. the length of the vectorfield X^i remains unchanged under parallel displacement. In other words

$$\overset{1}{\delta}(g_{ij}(x, X) X^i X^j) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \overset{1}{\delta}X^i = 0$$

which yields

$$(1.5) \quad \overset{1}{\delta}g_{ij}(x, X) X^i X^j = 0.$$

This condition is characterised by ([4] page 239)

$$(1.6) \quad Y_i \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i(x, X) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^k} X^i X^j.$$

2. INDUCED CONNECTION PARAMETERS

Let $F_{n-1}: x^i = x^i(u^\alpha)$; $i = 1, \dots, n$; $\alpha = 1, \dots, n-1$ be a hypersurface of F_n . The components X^i, X^α of a vectorfield of the hypersurface are related by

$$(2.1) \quad X^i = B_\alpha^i X^\alpha \quad \text{where} \quad B_\alpha^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial u^\alpha}.$$

The induced differential $\overset{1}{\delta}X^\alpha$ is defined by

$$(2.2) \quad \overset{1}{\delta}X^\alpha = B_i^\alpha \overset{1}{\delta}X^i,$$

where $B_i^\alpha = g^{\alpha\beta}(u, X) g_{ij}(x, X) B_\beta^j$, $g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X)$ being the metric tensor of F_{n-1} . The equation (2.1) yields

$$(2.3) \quad dX^i = B_\beta^i dX^\beta + B_{\beta\gamma}^i X^\beta du^\gamma \quad \left(B_{\beta\gamma}^i = \frac{\partial^2 x^i}{\partial u^\beta \partial u^\gamma} \right).$$

Defining

$$(2.4) \quad \overset{1}{\delta}X^\alpha = dX^\alpha + \overset{1}{\Gamma}_\gamma^\alpha(u, X) du^\gamma$$

and using (1.1), (2.2) and (2.3) we find

$$(2.5) \quad \overset{1}{\Gamma}_\gamma^\alpha = B_i^\alpha (B_{\beta\gamma}^i X^\beta + \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i B_\gamma^k),$$

where we have used the relations $B_i^\alpha B_\beta^i = \delta_\beta^\alpha$, $dx^k = B_\gamma^k du^\gamma$.

After putting

$$(2.6) \quad Y_i = g_{ij}(x, X) X^j, \quad Y_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X) X^\beta$$

and using (2.1) we obtain

$$(2.7) \quad Y_i = B_i^\alpha Y_\alpha.$$

We now define another induced differential

$$(2.8) \quad \overset{2}{\delta} Y_\alpha = B_\alpha^i \overset{2}{\delta} Y_i.$$

The differentiation of (2.6) gives

$$(2.9) \quad dY_i = \frac{\partial g_{ij}(x, X)}{\partial x^k} X^j dx^k + g_{ij}(x, X) (B_{\beta\gamma}^j X^\beta du^\gamma + B_\beta^j dX^\beta)$$

and

$$(2.10) \quad dY_\alpha = \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X)}{\partial u^\gamma} X^\beta du^\gamma + g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X) dX^\beta.$$

Defining

$$\overset{2}{\delta} Y_\alpha = dY_\alpha - \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\alpha\gamma} du^\gamma$$

and simplifying with the help of (1.2), (2.9), (2.10) and the relation obtained after differentiation (with respect to u^γ) of

$$g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X) = g_{ij}(x, X) B_\alpha^i B_\beta^j$$

we get

$$(2.11) \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}(u, Y) = (Y_j B_{\beta\gamma}^j + \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{hk}(x, Y) B_\beta^h B_\gamma^k).$$

It is assumed that the function $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_\gamma^\alpha(u, X)$ and $\overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}(u, Y)$ are differentiable. We now define

$$(2.12) \quad \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha = \frac{\partial \overset{1}{\Gamma}_\gamma^\alpha}{\partial X^\beta}, \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha = \frac{\partial \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}}{\partial Y_\alpha}.$$

A direct differentiation of the relation

$$B_i^\alpha = g^{\alpha\delta}(u, X) g_{ij}(x, X) B_\delta^j$$

with respect to X^β will yield (after some simplification)

$$(2.13) \quad \frac{\partial B_i^\alpha}{\partial X^\beta} = 2 N_i M_\beta^\alpha,$$

where we have used the fact

$$(2.14) \quad B_i^\alpha B_\alpha^j = (\delta_i^j - N^j N_i),$$

N_i being the covariant components of the unit normal vector,

$$2C_{ijk}(x, X) = \frac{\partial g_{ij}(x, X)}{\partial X^k},$$

$$M_{\alpha\beta}(u, X) = C_{ijk}(x, X) B_{\alpha}^i B_{\beta}^j N^k \quad \text{and} \quad M_{\beta}^{\alpha}(u, X) = g^{\alpha\gamma} M_{\beta\gamma}(u, X).$$

Differentiating (2.5) with respect to X^{β} , using the relations (1.3), (2.12), (2.13) and the fact $M_{\beta}^{\alpha}(u, X) X^{\beta} = 0$, we find

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, X) = 2N_i \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i(x, X) B_{\gamma}^k M_{\beta}^{\alpha} + B_i^{\alpha} (B_{\beta\gamma}^i + \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{hk}^i B_{\beta}^h B_{\gamma}^k) + \\ + 2N_i M_{\beta}^{\alpha} B_{\delta\gamma}^i X^{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

In order to evaluate $\overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, X)$, we notice that a direct differentiation of $Y_i = B_i^{\alpha} Y_{\alpha}$ will give

$$(2.16) \quad \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial Y_{\beta}} = B_i^{\beta},$$

where we have used (2.13) and the relations $\frac{\partial X^{\gamma}}{\partial Y_{\beta}} = g^{\gamma\beta}$, $M_{\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, X) Y_{\alpha} = 0$ in the simplification. Differentiating (2.11) with respect to Y_{α} and using (1.3), (2.12), (2.16) we obtain

$$(2.17) \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, Y) = B_i^{\alpha} (B_{\beta\gamma}^i + \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{hk}^i(x, Y) B_{\beta}^h B_{\gamma}^k).$$

The connection parameters $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, X)$, $\overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, Y)$ are non-symmetric in β, γ and positively homogeneous of zero degree in X, Y respectively. These will be called induced "non-linear connection parameters" of the hypersurface.

3. PROPERTIES OF INDUCED NON-LINEAR CONNECTIONS

Consider the following conditions in F_n and F_{n-1} respectively.

(A₁). If X^i undergoes parallel displacement in F_n then so does Y_i .

(A₂). If X^{α} undergoes parallel displacement in F_{n-1} then so does Y_{α} .

The condition (A₁) is characterised by (1.4) and the condition (A₂) is characterised by the corresponding relation

$$(3.1) \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\alpha\gamma}^{\beta}(u, X) = -\frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X)}{\partial u^{\gamma}} X^{\beta} - g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X) \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\gamma}^{\beta}(u, X)$$

in the space F_{n-1} . We shall prove the following:

THEOREM 3.1. *A necessary and sufficient condition that (A₂) holds in the hypersurface is that (A₁) holds in the enveloping space.*

Proof. The differentiation of

$$g_{\alpha\beta}(x, X) = g_{ij}(x, X) B_{\alpha}^i B_{\beta}^j$$

gives

$$(3.2) \quad Y_i B_{\alpha\gamma}^i + g_{ij} B_{\delta\gamma}^i B_{\alpha}^j X^{\delta} - \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial u^{\gamma}} X^{\beta} = \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^k} B_{\alpha}^i B_{\gamma}^j X^k.$$

A simple calculation based on the equations (2.5), (2.11) and (3.2) will yield

$$(3.3) \quad \overset{2}{\Gamma}_{\alpha\gamma} - \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial u^{\gamma}} X^{\beta} + g_{\alpha\beta} \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\gamma}^{\beta} = \left(\overset{2}{\Gamma}_{ik} - \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^k} X^j + g_{ij} \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^j \right) B_{\alpha}^i B_{\gamma}^k,$$

where we have used the fact $g_{\alpha\beta} B_i^{\beta} = g_{ij} B_{\alpha}^j$. Since the above relation is true for every α and γ , therefore condition (3.1) implies and is implied by condition (1.4). This proves the theorem.

Let us now consider the conditions:

(B₁). $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_j^i(x, X)$ is a metric connection in F_n .

(B₂). $\overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\beta}^{\alpha}(x, X)$ is a metric connection in F_{n-1} .

The condition (B₁) is characterised by (1.6) while the condition (B₂) is characterised by

$$(3.4) \quad Y_{\alpha} \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\gamma}^{\alpha}(u, X) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}(u, X)}{\partial u^{\gamma}} X^{\alpha} X^{\beta}.$$

We shall prove the following:

THEOREM 3.2. *A necessary and sufficient condition that (B₂) holds in F_{n-1} is that (B₁) holds in F_n .*

Proof. Substituting from the equation (2.5) and (3.2) and using (2.7) in the simplification we find

$$(3.5) \quad \left(Y_{\alpha} \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\gamma}^{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial u^{\gamma}} X^{\alpha} X^{\beta} \right) = \left(Y_i \overset{1}{\Gamma}_k^i - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^k} X^i X^j \right) B_{\gamma}^k.$$

The theorem follows from (1.6), (3.4) and the fact that (3.5) is true for every γ .

4. GEODESICS IN THE HYPERSURFACE

The geodesics of F_n and F_{n-1} are given by (Rund [4], page 240)

$$(4.1) \quad \frac{\overset{1}{\delta} X^i}{\delta s} + g^{ih} Y_j (\overset{1}{\Gamma}_{hk}^j X^k - \overset{1}{\Gamma}_h^j) = 0$$

and

$$(4.2) \quad \frac{\overset{1}{\delta} X^{\alpha}}{\delta s} + g^{\alpha\gamma} Y_{\beta} (\overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\gamma\delta}^{\beta} X^{\delta} - \overset{1}{\Gamma}_{\gamma}^{\beta}) = 0.$$

Equations (2.2) and (2.14) will yield

$$(4.3) \quad \frac{{}^1\delta X^i}{\delta s} = B_\alpha^i \frac{{}^1\delta X^\alpha}{\delta s} + N^i N_j \frac{{}^1\delta X^j}{\delta s}.$$

A calculation based on equations (2.15), (2.5), (1.6) and relations (Rund [4] page 236)

$$\Gamma_{hk}^i X^h = \Gamma_k^i, \quad M_\gamma^\beta Y_\beta = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad g^{\alpha\gamma} B_\alpha^i B_\gamma^h = g^{ih} - N^i N^h$$

gives

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} g^{\alpha\gamma} Y_\beta (\Gamma_{\gamma\delta}^\beta X^\delta - \Gamma_\gamma^\beta) B_\alpha^i = \\ = g^{ih} Y_j (\Gamma_{hk}^j X^k - \Gamma_h^j) - N^i N^h Y_j (\Gamma_{hk}^j X^k - \Gamma_h^j). \end{aligned}$$

Further after putting $X^i = \frac{dx^i}{ds}$, $X^\alpha = \frac{du^\alpha}{ds}$ and substituting

$$\frac{dX^j}{ds} = B_{\beta\gamma}^j X^\beta X^\gamma + B_\beta^j \frac{dX^\beta}{ds}, \quad \Gamma_k^j \frac{dx^k}{ds} = \Gamma_{hk}^j B_\beta^h B_\gamma^k X^\beta X^\gamma$$

in

$$(4.5) \quad N_j \frac{{}^1\delta X^j}{\delta s} = N_j \left(\frac{dX^j}{ds} + \Gamma_k^j \frac{dx^k}{ds} \right)$$

we find

$$(4.6) \quad N_j \frac{{}^1\delta X^j}{\delta s} = \bar{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma} (u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma$$

where

$$\bar{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma} (u, X) = N_j (B_{\beta\gamma}^j + \Gamma_{hk}^j (x, X) B_\beta^h B_\gamma^k).$$

The tensor with the components $\bar{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma} (u, X)$ is called second fundamental tensor of the hypersurface. It is obviously a non-symmetric tensor.

Further in view of the fact $\Gamma_h^j (x, X) = \Gamma_{kh}^j (x, X) X^k$ we find

$$(4.7) \quad N^h Y_j (\Gamma_{hk}^j X^k - \Gamma_h^j) = \hat{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma} (u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma$$

where

$$\hat{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma} (u, X) = N^h g_{jl} (\Gamma_{hk}^j - \Gamma_{kh}^j) B_\beta^h B_\gamma^l.$$

Substituting from (4.4), (4.6) in (4.3) and simplifying with the help of (4.7) we get

$$(4.8) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{{}^1\delta X^i}{\delta s} + g^{ih} Y_j (\Gamma_{hk}^j X^k - \Gamma_h^j) = B_\alpha^i \left[\frac{{}^1\delta X^\alpha}{\delta s} + g^{\alpha\gamma} Y_\beta (\Gamma_{\gamma\delta}^\beta X^\delta - \Gamma_\gamma^\beta) \right] + \\ + \Delta_{\beta\gamma} (u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma N^i \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(4.9) \quad \Delta_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) = \bar{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) + \hat{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma}(u, X).$$

The scalar

$$(4.10) \quad k = \Delta_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma$$

will be called the normal curvature and X^α will be called along the asymptotic line if

$$(4.11) \quad \Delta_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma = 0.$$

The equations (4.1), (4.2), (4.8) and (4.11) may be used in proving the following:

THEOREM 4.1. *A geodesic of F_n is both a geodesic and an asymptotic line of the hypersurface. Conversely, a geodesic of the hypersurface is a geodesic of the enveloping space if and only if it is an asymptotic line.*

It may be noted that contrary to usual convention the normal curvature is not given by $\bar{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma$. However, in view of equations (4.7), (4.9) and (4.10) this ($k = \Delta_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma$) will happen if the condition

$$(C_1) \quad Y_j (\bar{\Gamma}_{hk}^j X^k - \bar{\Gamma}_h^j) = 0$$

is true. We shall prove

THEOREM 4.2. *The condition (C₁) holds in F_n if and only if the corresponding condition*

$$(C_2) \quad Y_\alpha (\bar{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha X^\gamma - \bar{\Gamma}_\beta^\alpha) = 0$$

holds in F_{n-1} .

Proof. A calculation based on the equations (2.15), (2.5) and the conditions $Y_\alpha M_\gamma^\alpha = 0$, $Y_\alpha B_i^\alpha = Y_i$ yields

$$Y_\alpha (\bar{\Gamma}_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha X^\gamma - \bar{\Gamma}_\beta^\alpha) = Y_i (\bar{\Gamma}_{hk}^i X^k - \bar{\Gamma}_h^i) B_\beta^h.$$

Since this is true for every β , therefore (C₁) implies and is implied by (C₂). This proves the theorem.

It has been proved in [4] (page 240) that (C₁) is a necessary and sufficient condition in order that the geodesics of F_n may be auto-parallel curves. Theorem 4.2 may now be put in the form:

THEOREM 4.3. *The geodesics of F_{n-1} are auto-parallel curves if and only if the geodesics of F_n are auto-parallel.*

The following theorem is immediate from equations (4.9), (4.10), (4.11) and condition (C₁).

THEOREM 4.4. *The asymptotic lines of F_{n-1} are given by*

$$\bar{\Omega}_{\beta\gamma}(u, X) X^\beta X^\gamma = 0$$

if and only if the geodesics of F_n are auto-parallel.

Let $C: u^\alpha = u^\alpha(s)$ be a curve of F_{n-1} and $X^\alpha = \frac{du^\alpha}{ds}$. The vectors

$$q^i = \frac{\delta X^i}{\delta s} + g^{ih} Y_j (\Gamma_{hk}^j X^k - \Gamma_h^j) \quad , \quad p^\alpha = \frac{\delta X^\alpha}{\delta s} + g^{\alpha\gamma} Y_\beta (\Gamma_{\gamma\delta}^\beta X^\delta - \Gamma_\gamma^\beta)$$

are called the first curvature vectors of the curve with respect to F_n and F_{n-1} respectively. The first curvature vector q^i is, in general, different from the derived vector $\delta X^i / \delta s$ of the unit tangent X^i . However, it is easy to prove

THEOREM 4.5. *The first curvature vector q^i differs from the derived vector $\delta X^i / \delta s$ by a vector which is orthogonal to the tangent vector X^i .*

Also we have

THEOREM 4.6. *The derived vector $\delta X^i / \delta s$ is orthogonal to X^i if and only if $\Gamma_k^i(x, X)$ is a metric connection.*

Proof. Differentiating $g_{ij}(x, X) X^i X^j = 1$ we find

$$(4.12) \quad g_{ij} \frac{\delta X^i}{\delta s} X^j = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta g_{ij}}{\delta s} X^i X^j.$$

The theorem is immediate from the equations (1.5) and (4.12).

Using Theorems 4.6 and 4.5 we have

THEOREM 4.7. *The first curvature vector q^i is orthogonal to X^i if and only if $\Gamma_j^i(x, X)$ is a metric connection.*

Finally, Theorems 3.2 and 4.7 yield

THEOREM 4.8. *The first curvature vector with respect to F_{n-1} is orthogonal to X^α if and only if the vector q^i (the first curvature vector with respect to F_n) is orthogonal to X^i .*

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