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## Cartan connection of transversally Finsler foliation

ABSTRACT. The purpose of this paper is to define transversal Cartan connection of Finsler foliation and to prove its existence and uniqueness.

**1. Introduction.** Let  $(M, \mathcal{F})$  be a smooth  $n$ -dimensional manifold equipped with a foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  of codimension  $q$ . We put  $n = p + q$ . We denote by  $(x^i, y^\alpha)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ,  $\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, q$  the foliated (or distinguished) coordinates with respect to the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$ . If  $(x^{i'}, y^{\alpha'})$ ,  $i' = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ,  $\alpha' = 1, 2, \dots, q$  is another foliated coordinate system, then

$$\begin{aligned}x^{i'} &= x^{i'}(x, y), \\y^{\alpha'} &= y^{\alpha'}(y).\end{aligned}$$

Let  $TM$  be a tangent bundle of  $M$ . We consider an induced coordinate system  $(x^i, y^\alpha, a^i, b^\alpha)$  in  $TM$ , where  $(a^i, b^\alpha)$  are coordinates of the vector  $a^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + b^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}$  tangent to  $M$  at the point  $p = (x, y)$ . Let  $Q(M)$  denotes the normal bundle of the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  with the projection  $\delta : TM \rightarrow Q(M)$ . In  $Q(M)$  we have the coordinates  $(x^i, y^\alpha, b^\alpha)$ , where  $b^\alpha$  are coordinates of the vector  $b^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}$ . Here  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial y^q}$  is a local frame of  $Q$ . The coordinates in  $Q$  transform as follows

$$x^{i'} = x^{i'}(x, y),$$

$$\begin{aligned}y^{\alpha'} &= y^{\alpha'}(y), \\ b^{\alpha'} &= J_{\alpha'}^{\alpha'}(y),\end{aligned}$$

where  $J_{\alpha'}^{\alpha'}(y) = \frac{\partial y^{\alpha'}}{\partial y^{\alpha'}}(y)$ . If  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha'}}$ ,  $\alpha' = 1, \dots, q$  are the vectors of a local frame in new coordinates in  $Q$ , then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha'}} = J_{\alpha'}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}}.$$

Let us recall some basic facts from the theory of Riemannian foliations ([5]). Let  $g^T$  be a Riemannian metric in the normal bundle  $Q$ . The metric  $g^T$  is called adapted to the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  if for any vector field  $X$  tangent to the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  and any sections  $Y, Z$  of the normal bundle

$$Xg^T(Y, Z) - g^T(\delta([X, \hat{Y}]), Z) - g^T(Y, \delta([X, \hat{Z}])) = 0,$$

where  $\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}$  are any vector fields on  $M$  such that  $\delta(\hat{Y}) = Y$ ,  $\delta(\hat{Z}) = Z$ .

The vector field  $V$  on  $M$  is called foliated if for any vector field  $X$  tangent to the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  the vector field  $[X, V]$  is also tangent to the leaves. Locally in the foliated coordinate system foliated vector fields are of the form

$$V = a^i(x, y) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + b^{\alpha}(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{\alpha}}.$$

The section  $Y$  of the normal bundle is called a transverse vector field if  $Y = \delta(V)$  with  $V$  foliated. It is clear that the metric  $g^T$  is adapted if the function  $g^T(Y, Z)$  is constant along the leaves for any transverse vector fields  $Y, Z$ .

Let  $(x^i, y^a)$  be a foliated coordinate system on  $U \subset M$ . Denote by  $\bar{U}$  the local quotient manifold and let  $\pi : U \rightarrow \bar{U}$  be a local projection  $\pi(x^i, y^a) = (y^a)$ . The adapted metric  $g^T$  induces the metric  $\bar{g}$  on  $\bar{U}$  such that for each point  $u \in U$ ,  $\pi_*$  is an isometry between the transversal space at  $u$  and the tangent space at  $\pi(u)$ .

Let  $B_T(M)$  be the bundle of transversal frames of  $M$  and  $\theta_T$  be the canonical form on  $B_T(M)$  with values in  $\mathbb{R}^q$ . P. Molino ([5]) has proved that  $p$ -dimensional distribution  $P_T$  on  $B_T(M)$  such that

$$(1.1) \quad P_T(e) = \{X_e \in T_e B_T : i_{X_e} \theta_T = i_{X_e} d\theta_T = 0\}$$

is completely integrable and the associated foliation (the lifted foliation) is invariant by the right translations. Let  $B_T(U)$  be the bundle of transversal frames on  $U$  and denote by  $B(\bar{U})$  the bundle of linear frames of local quotient manifold  $\bar{U}$ . Let  $\pi_T : B_T(U) \rightarrow B(\bar{U})$  be the natural projection. Then locally  $X_e \in P_T(e) \subset T_e B_T(U)$  if and only if  $\pi_{T*}(X) = 0$ .

Using the metric  $g^T$ , we can define the bundle  $E_T^1$  of the orthonormal transversal frames. The bundle  $E_T^1$  is saturated by the leaves of the lifted foliation. The connection  $H$  in  $E_T^1$  is called transverse if the distributions tangent to the leaves of the lifted foliation are horizontal with respect to

*H.* The following theorem is fundamental in the theory of transversally Riemannian foliations.

**Theorem** ([5]). *For any transversal metric  $g^T$  there exists in  $E_T^1$  exactly one torsion-free transverse connection.*

A. Spiro in [6] has given the characterization of Cartan connection of Finsler manifold  $(M, F)$  in terms of a bundle of Chern frames. The purpose of this paper is to prove the similar theorem for the transversally Finsler foliation.

**2. Transversally Finsler foliations.** We start with the definition of the transverse Finsler metric.

**Definition 2.1.** A Finsler metric  $F^T$  in the normal bundle of the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  is called transverse if for any transverse vector field  $X$  the function  $F^T(X)$  is basic.

Consider a foliated coordinate system  $(x^i, y^\alpha)$ , where  $y^1, \dots, y^q$  are transverse coordinates. If  $V = a^i(x, y) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} + b^\alpha(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}$  is a foliated vector field and  $b^\alpha(y) \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}$  is a corresponding transverse vector field, then  $F^T$  is a transverse Finsler metric if and only if the function  $F^T(x, y, b)$  does not depend on  $x$ . Let  $\pi : U \rightarrow \bar{U}$  be a local projection. Then we have the Finsler metric  $\bar{F}$  on  $\bar{U}$  defined by the formula  $\bar{F}(y, b) = F^T(y, b)$  such that  $\pi$  induces an isometry between  $Q_u$  and  $T_{\pi(u)}\bar{U}$ , for any  $u \in U$ .

A. Spiro in [6] has defined the bundle of spheres of the Finsler metric  $F$ . In our case we define the bundle of the transversal spheres.

**Definition 2.2.** The set  $S_u^T = \{V \in Q_u : F^T(u, V) = 1\}$  is called the transversal sphere at  $u$ . The manifold  $\bigcup_{u \in M} S_u^T$  is called the transversal spheres bundle.

Let us fix a vector  $V \in Q_u$ ,  $u \in M$ ,  $u = (x, y)$ ,  $V = b^\alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\alpha}(u)$  and put  $g_{\alpha\beta}^T(x, y, b) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 (F^T)^2}{\partial b^\alpha \partial b^\beta}(x, y, b)$ . In this way we obtained a bilinear form  $g^T$  on the tangent space  $T_V Q_u$  for any  $u \in M$  and  $V \in Q_u$ .

**Definition 2.3.**  $(M, \mathcal{F}, F)$  is called transversally Finsler foliation if  $F$  is a transverse metric and  $g$  is a positively definite scalar product.

If  $\pi : U \rightarrow \bar{U}$  and  $\bar{u} = \pi(u)$ , then  $\bar{S}_{\bar{u}} = \pi_*(S_u^T)$ , where  $\bar{S}_{\bar{u}}$  is a sphere at  $\bar{u}$  with respect to  $\bar{F}$ .

A. Spiro in [6] has constructed a bundle of Chern orthogonal frames for the Finsler space. In the case of the transverse Finsler metric we can define in a similar way a bundle of transverse orthogonal Chern frames.

For fixed  $V \in Q_u$  there is the natural identification of the vector space  $Q_u$  with the space  $T_V Q_u$  tangent to  $Q_u$  at  $V$ .

**Definition 2.4.** The frame  $E_0, E_1, \dots, E_{q-1}$  of the vector space  $Q_u$  is called the transverse orthogonal Chern frame if

- (1)  $F^T(u, E_0) = 1$ .
- (2) The vectors  $E_1, \dots, E_{q-1}$  are tangent to  $S_u^T$  at  $E_0$ .
- (3)  $g_{E_0}(E_\alpha, E_\beta) = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta = 1, \dots, q-1$ .

Denote by  $O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$  the bundle of the transverse orthogonal Chern frames. For a distinguished open set  $U$  the bundle  $O_{g^T}(S^T(U))$  is a pull-back of the bundle  $O_g(S(\bar{U}))$  of orthogonal Chern frames of the local quotient manifold  $\bar{U}$  under the restriction  $\hat{\pi}_T$  of  $\pi_T$  to  $O_{g^T}(S^T(U))$ . There is a natural right action of the group  $O(\mathbb{R}, q-1)$  on  $O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** *The bundle  $O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$  is saturated by the leaves of the lifted foliation and foliation of  $O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$  is invariant under the action of  $O(\mathbb{R}, q-1)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $X_e \in P_T(e)$  be a vector tangent at  $e$  to the leave of the lifted foliation. Consider distinguished open set  $U$  and the projection

$$\hat{\pi}_T : O_g^T(S^T(U)) \longrightarrow O_g(S(\bar{U})).$$

Then  $\hat{\pi}_{T*}(X_e) = 0$ . But  $\dim O_g^T(S^T(U)) - \dim O_g(S(\bar{U})) = p$ , which means that  $\dim \ker \hat{\pi}_{T*} = p$ . From (1.1) it follows that the foliation of  $O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$  is invariant under the action of  $O(\mathbb{R}, q-1)$ .  $\square$

**Definition 2.5.** A local section  $\sigma \longrightarrow O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$  is called foliated if for all  $u \in U$  the distribution  $P_T(\sigma(u))$  is tangent to  $\sigma(U)$ .

Equivalently  $\sigma$  is a foliated section if it sends locally the leaves of  $\mathcal{F}$  into the leaves of the lifted foliation.

Let  $p_T : O_{g^T}(S^T(M)) \longrightarrow M$  be the natural projection.

**Proposition 2.2.** *For any  $e \in O_{g^T}(S^T(M))$  there exists a local foliated section  $\bar{\sigma} : U \longrightarrow O_{g^T}(S^T(U))$  defined in a neighborhood of  $u_0 = p_T(e)$  such that  $\bar{\sigma}(u_0) = e$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $\bar{u}_0 = \pi(u_0)$ , where  $\pi$  is a projection onto a local quotient manifold  $\bar{U}$ . The projection  $\pi_T : B_T(U) \longrightarrow B(\bar{U})$  induces an isometry of the transversal sphere  $S_{p_T(e)}^T$  onto the sphere  $\bar{S}_{\pi(u)}$  of the Finsler space  $(\bar{U}, \bar{F})$ . The image of the transversal orthonormal frame  $e$  is an orthonormal frame  $\bar{e}$  at  $\bar{u}$  with respect to  $\bar{F}$ . Let  $\bar{e} = (\bar{e}_0, \bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_{q-1})$ , where  $\bar{F}(\bar{u}_0, \bar{e}_0) = 1$  and  $\bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_{q-1}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $T_{\bar{e}_0} \bar{S}_{\bar{u}_0}$ . Denote the transversal coordinates by  $(y_0, \dots, y_{q-1})$ . We can suppose that  $\bar{e}_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial y_0}|_{\bar{u}_0}$ . Let  $\bar{z}_0 = \frac{1}{F(\bar{u}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_0})} \frac{\partial}{\partial y_0}$ . We can use the scalar product  $\bar{g}(\bar{u}, \bar{z}_0)$  to project the vectors  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{q-1}}$  onto the tangent space  $T_{\bar{z}_0} \bar{S}_{\bar{u}}$  and next

applying the Gram–Schmidt orthonormalization process, we obtain an orthonormal frame  $\bar{z}_1, \dots, \bar{z}_{q-1}$  of  $T_{\bar{z}_0} \bar{S}_{\bar{u}}$ . In this way we obtain a section  $\hat{\sigma} : \bar{U} \rightarrow O_{\bar{g}}(\bar{S}(\bar{U}))$  such that  $\hat{\sigma}(\bar{u}_0) = (\bar{z}_0, \dots, \bar{z}_{q-1})$  and  $\bar{z}_0 = \bar{e}_0$ . Using an appropriate element  $g \in O(\mathbb{R}, q-1)$  we get a section  $\bar{\sigma} : \bar{U} \rightarrow O_{\bar{g}}(\bar{S}(\bar{U}))$  such that  $\bar{\sigma}(\bar{u}_0) = \bar{e} = (\bar{e}_0, \dots, \bar{e}_{q-1})$ . The section  $\sigma : U \rightarrow O_{gT}(S^T(U))$  is the unique section defined by the condition  $p_T \circ \sigma = \bar{\sigma} \circ \pi$ .

The fibre  $V_u^T = p_T^{-1}(u)$  consists of the orthonormal frames of the transversal sphere  $S_u^T$ . Denote by  $V_e^T$  the subspace of  $T_u O_{gT}(S^T(M))$  of the vectors tangent at  $e$  to the fibre  $V_u^T$ . Let  $A^*$  be the fundamental vector field on  $B_T(M, \mathcal{F})$  associated to the element  $A \in \mathfrak{gl}(q, \mathbb{R})$ . We put

$$\mathfrak{g}_e^T = \{A \in \mathfrak{gl}(q, \mathbb{R}) : A_e^* \in V_e^T\}.$$

For any open  $U \in M$  adapted to the foliation  $\mathcal{F}$  and any  $g \in Gl(\mathbb{R}, q)$

$$(2.1) \quad \pi_T \circ R_g = \bar{R}_g \circ \pi_T,$$

where  $R_g$  (resp.  $\bar{R}_g$ ) denotes the right translation of  $B_T(U)$  (resp.  $B(\bar{U})$ ).  $\square$

**Example 2.1.** Let  $U$  be a distinguished open set and  $\pi : U \rightarrow \bar{U}$ . Denote by  $(x^i, y^\beta)$  the coordinates of  $u \in U$ . For any non-zero vectors  $V, W \in T_{\bar{u}} \bar{U}$  put  $V \equiv W$  if and only if there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $V = \lambda W$ . Let  $P_{\bar{u}} = T_{\bar{u}} \bar{U} / \equiv$  and  $P_{\bar{U}} = \bigcup_{\bar{u} \in \bar{U}} P_{\bar{u}}$ . Then the bundle of spheres  $\bar{S}(\bar{U})$  is diffeomorphic to  $P_{\bar{U}}$  and we can use the positively homogeneous coordinates to get the coordinates in  $\bar{S}(\bar{U})$ . For  $V \in \bar{S}_{\bar{u}}(\bar{U})$ ,  $V = v^\beta \frac{\partial}{\partial y^\beta}$ ,  $(y^\beta, w^\beta)$ , where  $w^\beta = \lambda v^\beta$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  are called homogeneous coordinates of  $V$ . Let  $\tilde{\pi} : S^T(U) \rightarrow \bar{S}(\bar{U})$  be a natural projection. Consider an open subset  $\bar{S}^q(\bar{U})$  of  $\bar{S}(\bar{U})$  such that  $V \in \bar{S}^q(\bar{U})$  if and only if  $w^q > 0$ . Then  $(y^\beta, z^\alpha)$ ,  $z^\alpha = \frac{w^\alpha}{w^q}$ , are coordinates in  $\bar{S}^q(\bar{U})$ ,  $(x^i, y^\beta, z^\alpha)$  are coordinates in  $S^q(U) = \tilde{\pi}^{-1}(\bar{S}^q(\bar{U}))$ ,  $\tilde{\pi}(x^i, y^\beta, z^\alpha) = (y^\beta, z^\alpha)$  and  $(x^i)$  are coordinates along the plaques of the lifted foliation. Let  $e \in O_g^T(S^T(U))$ ,  $e = (x^i, y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\gamma^\alpha)$  where  $A_\gamma^\alpha \in O(\mathbb{R}, q-1)$ . Then  $\hat{\pi}_T(x^i, y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\gamma^\alpha) = (y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\gamma^\alpha)$  and if  $g = G_\gamma^\alpha \in O(\mathbb{R}, q-1)$ , then  $R_g(x^i, y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\gamma^\alpha) = (x^i, y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\kappa^\alpha G_\gamma^\kappa)$ ,  $\bar{R}_g(y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\gamma^\alpha) = (y^\beta, z^\alpha, A_\kappa^\alpha G_\gamma^\kappa)$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** *The subspace  $\mathfrak{g}_e^T$  is constant along the plaques of the lifted foliation restricted to  $O_{gT}(S^T(U))$  and  $\mathfrak{g}_e^T = \bar{\mathfrak{g}}_{\bar{e}}$ , where  $\bar{\mathfrak{g}}_{\bar{e}}$  corresponds to the vertical subspace at  $\bar{e}$  of the bundle  $O_{\bar{g}}(\bar{S}(\bar{U}))$  of the Finsler space  $(\bar{U}, \bar{F})$ .*

**Proof.** Proposition 2.3 is a direct consequence of (2.1).  $\square$

Let  $A = (A_\beta^\alpha)_{\alpha, \beta=0, \dots, q-1} \in \mathfrak{g}_e^T$ . Then  $A \in \bar{\mathfrak{g}}_{\bar{e}}$  and from [6] we know that

$$(2.2) \quad A_0^0 = 0, \quad A_0^\beta = -A_0^\beta,$$

$$(2.3) \quad H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\alpha, e_\beta, e_\gamma) A_0^\gamma + A_\beta^\alpha + A_\alpha^\beta = 0,$$

where  $H$  is the Hessian at the point  $(u, e_0)$  of the transversal Finsler metric.

**Definition 2.6** ([6]). A non-linear connection in  $O_g^T(S^T(M))$  is a distribution  $H$  such that  $H$  is complementary to the vertical distribution and for any  $h \in O(q-1, \mathbb{R})$ ,  $H_{eh} = (R_h)_*H_e$ .

Equivalently a non-linear connection is defined by a  $\mathfrak{g}_e$ -valued 1-form  $\omega$  on  $O_g^T(S^T(M))$  which vanishes on  $H$  and  $\omega(A_e^*) = A$  for any  $A \in g_e$ .

A non-linear connection  $H$  is called adapted to the transverse Finsler sphere bundle if the vectors tangent to the lifted foliation are horizontal. The  $R^q$  valued 2-form  $\Sigma_T = d\theta_T + \omega \wedge \theta_T$  is called the torsion of  $H$ . In the similar way as in [5] we can prove the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.4.** *A non-linear connection  $H$  is adapted to the transverse Finsler sphere bundle if and only if  $i_{X_e}\Sigma_T = 0$  for any  $X_e$  tangent to the lifted foliation and  $e \in O_g^T(S^T(M))$ .*

**Proposition 2.5.** *Let  $F$  be a transverse Finsler metric on a foliated manifold  $(M, \mathcal{F})$ . Then there exists on  $O_g^T(S^T(M))$  an adapted non-linear connection with zero torsion.*

**Proof.** Let  $U$  be a distinguished open set and

$$\bar{\pi}_T : O_g^T(S^T(U)) \longrightarrow O_g(S(\bar{U})).$$

There exists in  $O_g(S(\bar{U}))$  a unique torsion free connection  $\bar{\omega}$ . Then  $\bar{\pi}_T^*(\bar{\omega})$  is a torsion free connection in  $O_g^T(S^T(U))$  adapted to the lifted foliation restricted to  $O_g^T(S^T(U))$ . Consider a covering  $\{U_i : i \in I\}$  of  $M$  by the distinguished open sets and let  $\pi_i : U_i \longrightarrow \bar{U}_i$  be a local projection and  $\bar{\omega}_i$  denotes a unique torsion free connection on  $O_g(S(\bar{U}_i))$ . Let  $\{f_i : i \in I\}$  be a partition of unity subordinate to the covering  $\{U_i : i \in I\}$ . Then  $\omega = \sum f_i \circ p \bar{\pi}_T^*(\bar{\omega}_i)$  is a torsion free connection adapted to the lifted foliation.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.1.** *On the bundle  $O_g^T(S^T(M))$  of the transversal Chern orthonormal frames there exists a unique torsion-free non-linear connection.*

**Proof.** We need to prove the uniqueness of torsion-free non-linear connection. Let  $\omega$  and  $\hat{\omega}$  be the torsion-free non-linear connections. It is enough to prove that for any  $e \in O_g^T(S^T(M))$   $\omega$  and  $\hat{\omega}$  agreed on on the section  $\bar{\sigma} : U \longrightarrow O_g^T(S^T(U))$  such as in Proposition 2.2. Let  $\bar{\sigma}^*(\theta_T) = (\theta^0, \theta^1, \dots, \theta^{q-1})$  and  $\bar{\sigma}^*(\omega) = A_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha \theta^\gamma$ ,  $\bar{\sigma}^*(\hat{\omega}) = B_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha \theta^\gamma$ , where  $\omega_\gamma = (A_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha)$  and  $\hat{\omega}_\gamma = (B_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha)$  are the elements of  $g_e$ . Since  $\omega$  and  $\hat{\omega}$  are torsion-free it follows that  $(\omega - \hat{\omega}) \wedge \theta_T = 0$ . We have

$$A_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha - A_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha = B_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha - B_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha$$

or

$$A_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha - B_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha = A_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha - B_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha.$$

From (2.2) and (2.3) we get

$$A_{00}^\alpha - B_{00}^\alpha = -A_{0\alpha}^0 + B_{0\alpha}^0 = -A_{\alpha 0}^0 + B_{\alpha 0}^0 = 0.$$

For  $\alpha, \beta = 1, \dots, q-1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\alpha\beta}^0 - B_{\alpha\beta}^0 &= -A_{\alpha 0}^\beta + B_{\alpha 0}^\beta = -A_{0\alpha}^\beta - B_{0\alpha}^\beta \\ &= A_{0\beta}^\alpha + H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\alpha, e_\beta, e_\gamma)A_{00}^\gamma - B_{0\beta}^\alpha - H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\alpha, e_\beta, e_\gamma)B_{00}^\gamma \\ &= A_{0\beta}^\alpha - B_{0\beta}^\alpha = A_{\beta 0}^\alpha - B_{\beta 0}^\alpha = -A_{\beta\alpha}^0 + B_{\beta\alpha}^0 = -A_{\alpha\beta}^0 + B_{\alpha\beta}^0. \\ A_{\alpha 0}^\beta - B_{\alpha 0}^\beta &= -A_{\alpha\beta}^0 + B_{\alpha\beta}^0 = 0. \\ A_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha - B_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha &= -A_{\beta\alpha}^\gamma - H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\alpha, e_\gamma, e_\kappa)A_{\beta 0}^\kappa + B_{\beta\alpha}^\gamma - H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\alpha, e_\gamma, e_\kappa)B_{\beta 0}^\kappa \\ &= -A_{\beta\alpha}^\gamma + B_{\beta\alpha}^\gamma - H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\alpha, e_\gamma, e_\kappa)(A_{\beta 0}^\kappa - B_{\beta 0}^\kappa) = -A_{\beta\alpha}^\gamma + B_{\beta\alpha}^\gamma \\ &= -A_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma + B_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma = -A_{\alpha\gamma}^\beta + B_{\alpha\gamma}^\beta - H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\gamma, e_\beta, e_\kappa)(A_{\alpha 0}^\kappa - B_{\alpha 0}^\kappa) \\ &= A_{\alpha\gamma}^\beta - B_{\alpha\gamma}^\beta = A_{\gamma\alpha}^\beta - B_{\gamma\alpha}^\beta \\ &= -A_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha + B_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha - H_{(u, e_0)}(e_\beta, e_\alpha, e_\kappa)(A_{\gamma 0}^\kappa - B_{\gamma 0}^\kappa) \\ &= -A_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha + B_{\gamma\beta}^\alpha = -A_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha + B_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

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**Example 2.2.** Let  $F$  be a transversal Finsler metric in  $Q$  and  $g$  an arbitrary Riemannian metric on  $M$ . Denote by  $(T_u L)^\perp$  an orthogonal complement of  $T_u M$  with respect to  $g$ . The projection  $\rho_u : T_u M \rightarrow Q_u$  induces an isomorphism of  $(T_u L)^\perp$  onto  $Q_u$ . Put for  $X \in T_u M$ ,  $X = X_L + X_L^\perp$ ,  $X_L \in T_u L$ ,  $X_L^\perp \in (T_u L)^\perp$

$$\widehat{F}(u, X) = \sqrt{g_u(X_L, X_L) + F^2(u, \rho_u(X))}.$$

Then  $\widehat{F}$  is a Finsler metric on  $M$  adapted to  $\mathcal{F}$  in the sense of [3], [4],  $(T_u L)^\perp$  is its transversal cone at  $u$  ([3]) and the metric  $\widehat{F}$  induces the metric  $F$  on the bundle  $Q$ .

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