

# GLOBAL JOURNAL OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE AND RESEARCHES ON PROJECTIVE RELATION OF TWO SUBCLASSES OF (α,β)-METRICS Pradeep Kumar<sup>\*1</sup>, S.K. Narasimhsmurthy<sup>2</sup>, M Ramesha<sup>3</sup> & Madhu T S<sup>4</sup>

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#### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we find the necessary and sufficient condition to characterize the projective relation between two subclasses of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metrics  $L = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  and  $\overline{L} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  on a manifold *M* with dimension  $n \ge 3$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  are two Riemannian metrics,  $\beta$  and  $\overline{\beta}$  are two non-zero 1-forms.

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

In Finsler geometry, two Finsler metrics F and  $\overline{F}$  on a manifold M are called projectively related if  $G^i = \overline{G}^i + Py^i$ , where  $G^i$  and  $\overline{G}^i$  are the geodesic coefficients of F and  $\overline{F}$  respectively and P = P(x, y) is a scalar function on the slit tangent bundle  $TM_0$ . In this case, any geodesic of the first is also geodesic for the second and viceversa. The projective changes between two Finsler spaces have been studied by [1], [2], [3], [4], [6], [11], [13], [14], [18], [19], [20].

 $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metrics form a special and very important classes of Finsler metrics which can be expressed in the for  $F = \alpha \varphi(s)$ :  $s = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a Riemannian metric and  $\beta$  is a 1-form and  $\varphi$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  positive function on the definite domain. In particular, when  $\varphi = \frac{1}{s}$ , the Finsler metric  $F = \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  is called Kropina metric. Kropina metric was first introduced by L. Berwald in connection with two dimensional Finsler space with rectilinear extremal and was investigated by V.K. Kropina [7]. They together with Randers metric are C-reducible [10]. However, Randers metric are regular Finsler metric but Kropina metric is non-regular Finsler metric. Kropina metric seem to be among the simplest nontrivial Finsler metric with many interesting applications in physics, electron optics with a magnetic field, dissipative mechanics and irreversible thermodynamics [5], [15]. Also, there are interesting applications in relativistic field theory, evolution and developmental biology.

Based on Stavrino's work on Finslerian structure of anisotropic gravitational field [16], we know that the anisotropy is an issue of the background radiation for all possible  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metrics. Then the 1-form  $\beta$  represents the same direction of the observed anisotropy of the microwave background radiation. That is, if two  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metrics  $F = \alpha \varphi \left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)$  and  $\overline{F} = \overline{\alpha} \varphi \left(\frac{\overline{\beta}}{\overline{\alpha}}\right)$  are the same anisotropy directions (or, they have the same axis rotation to their indicatrices), then their 1-form.

 $\beta$  and  $\bar{\beta}$  are collinear, there is a function  $\mu \in C^{\infty}(M)$  such that  $\beta(x, y) = \mu \bar{\beta}(x, y)$ . By [3], for the projective equivalence between a general  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric and a Kropina metric, we have the following lemma:

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**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $F = \alpha \varphi \left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)$  be an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metricon n-dimensional manifold  $M(n \ge 3)$ , satisfying that  $\beta$  is not parallel with respect to  $\alpha, db \ne 0$  everywhere (or) b = constant and F is not of Randers type. Let  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  be a Kropina metric on the manifold M, where  $\overline{\alpha} = \lambda(x)\alpha$  and  $\overline{\beta} = \mu(x)\beta$ . Then F is Projectively Equivalent to  $\overline{F}$  if and only if the following equations holds,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + (k_1 + k_2 s^2) s^2 + k_3 s^2 ] \varphi'' = (k_1 + k_2 s^2) (\varphi - s \varphi'), \qquad (1.1) \\ G^i_{\alpha} = \bar{G}^i_{\bar{\alpha}} + \theta y^i - \sigma (k_1 \alpha^2 + k_2 \beta^2) b^i, \qquad (1.2) \\ b_{i|j} = 2\sigma [(1 + k_1 b^2) a_{ij} + (k_2 b^2 + k_3) b_i b_j], \qquad (1.3) \\ \bar{s}_{ij} = \frac{1}{\bar{b}^2} (\bar{b}_i \bar{s}_j - \bar{b}_j \bar{s}_i), \qquad (1.4)$$

where  $\sigma = \sigma(x)$  is a scalar function and  $\theta$  is 1-form,  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ ,  $k_3$  are constants. In this case, both  $F = \alpha \varphi\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) and \overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  are Douglas metrics.

The purpose of this paper is to study the projective relation of two subclasses of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric. The main results of the paper are as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  be an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  be a Kropina metric on an n-dimensional manifold  $M(n \ge 3)$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  are two Riemannian metrics,  $\beta$  and  $\overline{\beta}$  are two non-zero 1-forms. Then F is projectively equivalent to  $\overline{F}$  if and only if they are Douglas metrics and the geodesic co-efficient of  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  have the following relations

$$G_{\alpha}^{i} - 2\alpha^{2}\tau b^{i} = \bar{G}_{\bar{\alpha}}^{i} + \frac{1}{2\bar{b}^{2}} \left( \bar{\alpha}^{2} \bar{s}^{i} + \bar{r}_{00} \bar{b}^{i} \right) + \theta y^{i}, \qquad (1.5)$$

Where  $b^i = a^{ij}b_j$ ,  $\bar{b}^i = \bar{a}^{ij}\bar{b}_j$ ,  $\bar{b}^2 = \|\bar{\beta}\|_{\bar{a}}^2$  and  $\tau = \tau(x)$  is a scalar function and  $\theta = \theta_i y^i$  is a 1-form on M

By [8] and [9], we obtain immediately from theorem (1.1), that

**Proposition 1.** Let  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  be a Kropina metric on a n-dimensional manifold  $M(n \ge 3)$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  are two Riemannian metrics,  $\beta$  and  $\overline{\beta}$  are two nonzero collinear 1-forms. Then F is projectively equivalent to  $\overline{F}$  if and only if the following equations hold:

$$G^{i}_{\alpha} - 2\alpha^{2}\tau b^{i} = \bar{G}^{i}_{\bar{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{2\bar{b}^{2}} \left( \bar{\alpha}^{2}\bar{s}^{i} + \bar{r}_{00}\bar{b}^{i} \right) + \theta y^{i}, \qquad (1.6)$$

$$b_{i|j} = 2\tau \{ (1 - 2b^2)a_{ij} + 3b_i b_j \}, \qquad (1.7)$$

$$\bar{s}_{ij} = \frac{1}{\bar{b}^2} \left( \bar{b}_i \bar{s}_j - \bar{b}_j \bar{s}_i \right),\tag{1.8}$$

where  $b_{i|j}$  denote the coefficient of the covariant derivatives of  $\beta$  with respect to  $\alpha$ .

#### **II. PRELIMINARIES**

We say that a Finsler metric is projectively related to another Finsler metric if they have the same geodesic as point sets. In Riemannian geometry, two Riemannian metrics  $\alpha$  and  $\bar{\alpha}$  are projectively related if and only if their spray coefficients have the relation [2],

$$G^i_{\alpha} = G^i_{\overline{\alpha}} + \lambda_{\mathbf{x}^k} y^k y^i, \qquad (2.1)$$

where  $\lambda = \lambda(x)$  is a scalar function on the based manifold and  $(x^i, y^i)$  denotes the local coordinates in the tangent bundle *TM*.

Two Finsler metrics F and  $\overline{F}$  on a manifold M are called projectively related if and only if their spray coefficients have the relation [2],

$$G^{i} = \bar{G}^{i} + P(y)y^{i} \tag{2.2}$$

where P(y) is a scalar function on  $TM \setminus \{0\}$  and homogeneous of degree one in y.



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For a given Finsler metric L = L(x, y), the geodesic of L satisfy the following ODE:

$$\frac{d^2x^i}{dt^2} + 2G^i\left(x,\frac{dx}{dt}\right) = 0$$

Where  $G^i = G^i(x, y)$  is called the geodesic coefficient, which is given by

$$G^{i} = \frac{1}{4}g^{il} \{ [F^{2}]_{x^{m}y^{l}}y^{m} - [F^{2}]_{x^{l}} \}.$$

Let  $\varphi = \varphi(s)$ ,  $|s| < b_0$ , be a positive  $C^{\infty}$  function satisfying the following

$$\varphi(s) - s\varphi'(s) + (b^2 - s^2)\varphi''(s) > 0, \quad (|s| \le b < b_0).$$
(2.3)

If  $\alpha = \sqrt{a_{ij}y^i y^j}$  is a Riemannian metric and  $\beta = b_i y^i$  is 1-form satisfying  $\|\beta_x\|_{\alpha} < b_0 \forall x \in M$ , then  $F = \alpha \varphi(s)$ ,  $s = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ , is called an (regular) ( $\alpha, \beta$ )-metric. In this case, the fundamental form of the metric tensor induced by F is positive definite.

Let  $\nabla \beta = b_{i|i} dx^i \otimes dx^j$  be covariant derivative of  $\beta$  with respect to  $\alpha$ . Denote

$$r_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (b_{i|j} + b_{j|i}); \ s_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (b_{i|j} - b_{j|i}).$$

Note that  $\beta$  is closed if and only if  $s_{ii} = 0$  [17].

Let  $s_i = b^i s_{ij}$ ,  $s_i^i = a^{il} s_{lj}$ ,  $s_0 = s_i y^i$ ,  $s_0^i = s_i^i y^j$  and  $r_{00} = r_{ij} y^i y^j$ . The relation between the geodesic coefficients  $G^i$  of F and geodesic coefficients  $G^i_{\alpha}$  of  $\alpha$  is given by

$$G^{i} = G^{i}_{\alpha} + \alpha Q s^{i}_{0} \{-2Q\alpha s_{0} + r_{00}\} + \Psi b^{i} + \theta \alpha^{-1} y^{i}, \qquad (2.4)$$

Where

$$\theta = \frac{\varphi \varphi' - s(\varphi \varphi'' + \varphi' \varphi')}{2\varphi \{(\varphi - s\varphi') + (b^2 - s^2)\varphi''\}}$$
$$Q = \frac{\varphi'}{\varphi - s\varphi'}$$
$$\Psi = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\varphi''}{\{(\varphi - s\varphi') + (b^2 - s^2)\varphi''\}}$$

For a Kropina metric  $F = \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta}$ , it is very easy to see that it is not a regular  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric but the relation  $\varphi(s)$  –  $s\varphi'(s) + (b^2 - s^2)\varphi''(s) > 0$  is still true for |s| > 0.

In [8], the authors characterized the  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metrics of Douglas type.

**Lemma 2.2.** [8]: Let  $F = \alpha \varphi\left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)$  be a regular  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric on an n-dimensional manifold  $M(n \ge 3)$ . Assume that  $\beta$  is not parallel with respect to  $\alpha$  and  $db \neq 0$  everywhere or b = constant and F is not of Randers type. Then F is a Douglas metric if and only if the function  $\varphi = \varphi(s)$  with  $\varphi(0) = 1$  satisfies the following ODE's (2.5)

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$$[1 + (k_1 + k_2 s^2)s^2 + k_3 s^2]\varphi'' = (k_1 + k_2 s^2)(\varphi - s\varphi'),$$

and  $\beta$  satisfies

$$b_{i|j} = 2\sigma \left[ (1 + k_1 b^2) a_{ij} + (k_2 b^2 + k_3) b_i b_j \right]$$
(2.6)

Where  $b^2 = \|\beta\|_{\alpha}^2$  and  $\sigma = \sigma(x)$  is a scalar function and  $k_1, k_2, k_3$  are constants  $(k_2, k_3) \neq (0,0)$ . For a Kropina metric, we have the following,

**Lemma 2.3**.[9]: Let  $F = \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta}$  be Kropina metric on an n-dimensional manifold *M*. Then (i)  $(n \ge 3)$ Kropina metric F with  $b^2 \ne 0$  is Douglas metric if and only if



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$$s_{ik} = \frac{1}{b^2} (b_i s_k - b_j s_i).$$

(ii) (n = 2) Kropina metric *F* is a Douglas metric.

Definition 2.1. [2]: Let

$$D_{jkl}^{i} = \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial y^{j} \partial y^{k} \partial y^{l}} \left( G^{i} - \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{\partial G^{m}}{\partial y^{m}} y^{i} \right)$$
(2.8)

Where  $G^i$  is the spray coefficients of F. The tensor  $D = D^i_{jkl}\partial_i \otimes dx^j \otimes dx^k \otimes dx^l$  is called the Douglas tensor. A Finsler metric is called Douglas metric if the Douglas tensor vanishes.

We know that the Douglas tensor is a projective invariant [12]. Note that the spray coefficients of a Riemannian metric are quadratic forms and one can see that the Douglas tensor vanishes from (2.8). This shows that Douglas tensor is a non-Riemannian quantity.

In the following, we use quantities with a bar to denote the corresponding quantities of the metric  $\overline{F}$ . Now, first we compute the Douglas tensor of a general  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric. Let

$$\hat{G}^{i} = G^{i}_{\alpha} + \alpha Q s^{i}_{0} + \Psi \{-2Q\alpha s_{0} + r_{00}\} b^{i}, \qquad (2.9)$$

$$G^{i} = \hat{G}^{i} + \theta \{-2Q\alpha s_{0} + r_{00}\}\alpha^{-1}y^{i}.$$

Clearly,  $G^i$  and  $\hat{G}^i$  are projective equivalent according to (2.2), they have the same Douglas tensor. Let

$$T^{i} = \alpha Q s_{0}^{i} + \Psi \{-2Q\alpha s_{0} + r_{00}\} b^{i}.$$
 (2.10)

Then  $\hat{G}^i = G^i_{\alpha} + T^i$ , thus  $D^i_{ikl} = \widehat{D}^i_{ik}$ 

then (2.4) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
\stackrel{i}{jkl} &= D^{i}_{jkl}, \\
&= \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial y^{j} \partial y^{k} \partial y^{l}} \left( G^{i}_{\alpha} - \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{\partial G^{m}_{\alpha}}{\partial y^{m}} y^{i} + T^{i} - \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{\partial T^{m}}{\partial y^{m}} y^{i} \right) \\
&= \frac{\partial^{3}}{\partial y^{j} \partial y^{k} \partial y^{l}} \left( T^{i} - \frac{1}{n+1} \frac{\partial T^{m}}{\partial y^{m}} y^{i} \right) \end{aligned} (2.11)$$

To compute (2.11) explicitly, we use the following identities

$$\alpha_{y^{k}} = \alpha^{-1} y_{k}, \ s_{y^{k}} = \alpha^{-2} (b_{k} \alpha - sy_{k}),$$
  
where  $y_{i} = a_{il} y^{l}$ . Here after,  $\alpha_{y^{k}}$  means  $\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y^{k}}$ . Then  
 $[\alpha Q s_{0}^{m}]_{y^{m}} = \alpha^{-1} y_{m} Q s_{0}^{m} + \alpha^{-2} Q' [b_{m} \alpha^{2} - \beta y_{m}] s_{0}^{m} = Q' s_{0},$ 

and

$$[\Psi(-2Q\alpha s_0 + r_{00})b^m]_{y^m} = \Psi'\alpha^{-1}(b^2 - s^2)[r_{00} - 2Q\alpha S_0] + 2\Psi[r_0 - Q'(b^2 - s^2)s_0 - Qss_0]$$

where  $r_i = b^i r_{ij}$  and  $r_0 = r_i y^i$ . Thus from (2.10), we have

 $T_{y^m}^m = Q's_0 + \Psi'\alpha^{-1}(b^2 - s^2)[r_{00} - 2Q\alpha s_0] + 2\Psi[r_0 - Q'(b^2 - s^2)s_0 - Qss_0].$ (2.12) Let *F* and *F* be two ( $\alpha, \beta$ )-metrics, we assume that they have the same Douglas tensor, i.e.  $D_{ikl}^i = \overline{D}_{ikl}^i.$ 

From (2.8) and (2.11), we have

$$\frac{\partial^3}{\partial y^j \partial y^k \partial y^l} \left( T^i - \bar{T}^i - \frac{1}{n+1} \left( T^m_{y^m} - \bar{T}^m_{y^m} \right) y^i \right) = 0$$

Then there exists a class of scalar function  $H_{ik}^i = H_{ik}^i(x)$ , such that

$$H_{00}^{i} = T^{i} - \bar{T}^{i} - \frac{1}{n+1} \left( T_{y^{m}}^{m} - \bar{T}_{y^{m}}^{m} \right) y^{i}, \qquad (2.13)$$

where  $H_{00}^i = H_{jk}^i y^j y^k$ ,  $T^i$  and  $T_{y^m}^m$  are given by (2.10) and (2.12) respectively



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In this section, we find the projective relation between special metric  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  on a same underlying manifold *M* of dimension  $n \ge 3$ .

For  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$ , one can prove y (2.3) that *F* is a regular Finsler metric if and only if 1-form  $\beta$  satisfies the condition  $\|\beta_x\|_{\alpha} < 1$  for any  $x \in M$ .

The geodesic coefficients are given by (2.4) with

$$\theta = \frac{\{1 + 3s^2 - 4s^3\}}{2\{1 + s - s^2\}\{1 - 2b^2 + 3s^2\}'}$$
$$Q = \frac{1 - 2s}{1 + s^2},$$
$$H = -\frac{1}{1 - 2b^2 + 3s^2},$$
(3.1)

For Kropina metric  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$ , the geodesic coefficient are given by (2.4) with

$$\overline{Q} = -\frac{1}{2s}$$
$$\overline{\theta} = -\frac{s}{\overline{b}^2}$$
$$\overline{\Psi} = \frac{1}{2\overline{b}^2}.$$
(3.2)

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In this paper we assume that  $\lambda = \frac{1}{n+1}$ . Since the Douglas tensor is a projective invariant,

we have,

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  be an  $(\alpha, \beta)$ - metric and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  be a Kropina metric on an n-dimensional manifold  $M(n \ge 3)$  where  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  are two Riemannian metrics,  $\beta$  and  $\overline{\beta}$  are two non zero 1-forms. Then F and  $\overline{F}$  have the same Douglas tensors if and only if they are all Douglas metrics.

**Proof**: First, we prove the sufficient condition.

Let F and  $\overline{F}$  be Douglas metrics and corresponding Douglas tensors be  $D_{jkl}^i$  and  $\overline{D}_{jkl}^i$ . Then by the definition of Douglas metric, we have  $D_{jkl}^i = 0$  and  $\overline{D}_{jkl}^i = 0$ , that is both F and  $\overline{F}$  have the same Douglas tensor, then (2.13) holds. Plugging (3.1) and (3.2) into(2.13), we have

ging (3.1) and (3.2) into(2.13), we have  

$$H_{00}^{i} = \frac{A^{i}\alpha^{9} + B^{i}\alpha^{8} + C^{i}\alpha^{7} + D^{i}\alpha^{6} + E^{i}\alpha^{5} + F^{i}\alpha^{4} + G^{i}\alpha^{3} + H^{i}\alpha^{2} + I^{i}}{J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N} + \frac{\bar{A}^{i}\bar{\alpha}^{2} + \bar{B}^{i}}{2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta}}$$
(3.3)

$$\begin{aligned} &A^{i} = (1 - 2b^{2})\{s_{0}^{i} + \\ &2s_{0}b^{i} - 2b^{2}s_{0}^{i}\}, &B^{i} = (1 - 2b^{2})\{4b^{2}\beta s_{0}^{i} - 4\beta s_{0}b^{i} - r_{00}b^{i} + \\ &2\lambda y^{i}(r_{0} + s_{0}) - 2\beta s_{0}^{i}\}, &C^{i} = \beta[\beta\{(4b^{2}(b^{2} - 4) + 7)s_{0}^{i} + 4(2 - b^{2}s_{0}b^{i})\} + 4(1 + \\ &b^{2})\lambda s_{0}y^{i}], &D^{i} = \beta[-2\beta^{3}\{(4b^{2}(b^{2} - 4) + 7)s_{0}^{i} + (8 - 4b^{2})s_{0}b^{i}\} + (1 + b^{2})\lambda s_{0}b^{i} - \beta r_{00}b^{i}(4b^{2} - 5) - \\ &2\lambda y^{i}\{3\beta^{2}r_{00} + \beta((4b^{2} - 5)r_{0} + (12b^{2} - 3)s_{0})\}], &E^{i} = \beta^{3}[3\beta\{5s_{0}^{i} + \\ &2s_{0}b^{i} - 4b^{2}s_{0}^{i}\} + (4 - 4b^{2})s_{0}\lambda y^{i}], \\ &F^{i} = \beta^{3}[6\beta^{2}\{4b^{2}s_{0}^{i} - 12s_{0}b^{i} - 5s_{0}^{i}\} - (7 - 2b^{2})\beta r_{00}b^{i} + \{6(1 - 2b^{2})r_{00} + \beta((14 - 4b^{2})r_{0} + \\ &G^{i} = 9\beta^{6}s_{0}^{i}, \\ &H^{i} = -3\beta^{5}[\beta\{6\beta s_{0}^{i} + b^{i}r_{00}\} + 6\lambda y^{i}\{(b^{2} - 2)r_{00} - \beta(r_{0} + s_{0})\}], &I^{i} = 6\beta^{7}r_{00}\lambda y^{i} \end{aligned}$$

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And

 $J = (1 - 2b^2)^2,$   $K = 4\beta^2(1 - 2b^2)(2 - b^2),$   $L = 2\beta^4(11 + 2b^4 - 14b^2),$   $M = -12\beta^6(b^2 - 2),$  $N = 9\beta^8$ 

And

$$\begin{split} \bar{A^i} &= \bar{b}^2 \bar{s}^i_0 - \bar{b}^i \bar{s}_0, \\ \bar{B}^i &= \bar{\beta} \big[ 2 \lambda y^i (\bar{r}_0 + \bar{s}_0) - \bar{b}^i \bar{r}_{00} \big]. \end{split}$$

Further, (3.3) is equivalent to

$$(A^{i}\alpha^{9} + B^{i}\alpha^{8} + C^{i}\alpha^{7} + D^{i}\alpha^{6} + E^{i}\alpha^{5} + F^{i}\alpha^{4} + G^{i}\alpha^{3} + H^{i}\alpha^{2} + I^{i})(2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta}) + (\bar{A}^{i}\bar{\alpha}^{2} + \bar{B}^{i}) \times (J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N) = H^{i}_{00}(2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta})(J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N)$$
(3.4)

Replacing  $(y^i)$  by  $(-y^i)$  in (3.4) yields

$$(-A^{i}\alpha^{9} + B^{i}\alpha^{8} - C^{i}\alpha^{7} + D^{i}\alpha^{6} - E^{i}\alpha^{5} + F^{i}\alpha^{4} - G^{i}\alpha^{3} + H^{i}\alpha^{2} + I^{i})(-2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta}) - (\bar{A}^{i}\bar{\alpha}^{2} + \bar{B}^{i}) \times (J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N) = -H^{i}_{00}(J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N)(2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta})$$
(3.5)

Adding (3.4) and (3.5), we get

$$(A^{i}\alpha^{9} + C^{i}\alpha^{7} + E^{i}\alpha^{5} + G^{i}\alpha^{3})(2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta}) = 0$$

Above equation reduces to

$$A^{i}\alpha^{9} + C^{i}\alpha^{7} + E^{i}\alpha^{5} + G^{i}\alpha^{3} = 0$$
(3.6)

Therefore, we conclude that (3.3) is equivalent to

$$H_{00}^{i} = \frac{B^{i}\alpha^{8} + D^{i}\alpha^{6} + F^{i}\alpha^{4} + H^{i}\alpha^{2} + I^{i}}{J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N} + \frac{\bar{A}^{i}\bar{\alpha}^{2} + \bar{B}^{i}}{2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta}}$$
(3.7)

(3.7) is equivalent to

$$B^{i}\alpha^{8} + D^{i}\alpha^{6} + F^{i}\alpha^{4} + H^{i}\alpha^{2} + I^{i})(2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta}) + (\bar{A}^{i}\bar{\alpha}^{2} + \bar{B}^{i}) \times (J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N) = H^{i}_{00}(2\bar{b}^{2}\bar{\beta})(J\alpha^{8} + K\alpha^{6} + L\alpha^{4} + M\alpha^{2} + N)$$
(3.8)

In the above equation (3.8), we can see that  $\bar{A}^i \bar{\alpha}^2 (J \alpha^8 + K \alpha^6 + L \alpha^4 + M \alpha^2 + N)$  can be divided by  $\bar{\beta}$ . Since  $\beta = \mu \bar{\beta}$ , then  $\bar{A}^i \bar{\alpha}^2 J \alpha^8$  can be divided by  $\bar{\beta}$ . Because  $\bar{\beta}$  is prime with respect to  $\alpha$  and  $\bar{\alpha}$ . Therefore  $\bar{A}^i = \bar{b}^2 \bar{s}_0^i - \bar{b}^i \bar{s}_0$  can be divided by  $\bar{\beta}$ . Hence there is a scalar function  $\Psi^i(\mathbf{x})$  such that

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$$\bar{b}^2 \bar{s}_0^i - \bar{b}^i \bar{s}_0 = \bar{\beta} \Psi^i \tag{3.9}$$

Transvecting (3.9) by  $\bar{y}_i = \bar{a}_{ij} y^j$ , we get  $\Psi^i(\mathbf{x}) = -\bar{\mathbf{s}}^i$ . Thus we have

$$\bar{s}_{ij} = \frac{1}{\bar{b}^2} \left( \bar{b}_i \bar{s}_j - \bar{b}_j \bar{s}_i \right) \tag{3.10}$$

Thus, by lemma 2.3,  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  is a Douglas metrics. i.e. Both  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$ , and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  are Douglas metrics.



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If n = 2,  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  is a Douglas metric by lemma 2.3. Thus *F* and  $\overline{F}$  have the same Douglas tensors means that they are Douglas metrics. Thus *F* and  $\overline{F}$  have the same Douglas tensors means that they are Douglas metrics. Thus  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  be an special  $(\alpha, \beta)$  -metric and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  be a Kropina metric on an n-dimensional manifold  $M(n \ge 2)$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  are Riemannian metric,  $\beta$  and  $\overline{\beta}$  are two non zero collinear 1-forms. Then *F* and  $\overline{F}$  have same Douglas tensors if and only if they are Douglas metrics. This completes the proof of theorem (3.2).

#### IV. PROOF. OF THEOREM 1.1.

First, we prove the necessary condition:

Since Douglas tensor is an invariant under projective changes between two Finsler metrics, If F is projectively related to  $\overline{F}$ , then they have the same Douglas tensor. According to theorem (3.2), we obtain that both F and  $\overline{F}$  are Douglas metrics.

By [3], It is well known that Kropina metric  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  with  $b^2 \neq 0$  is a Douglas metric if and only if  $s_{ik} = \frac{\rho^2}{\rho^2}$ 

 $\frac{1}{b^2}(b_i s_k - b_k s_i)$  and also it has it has been proved that by [7], we know that  $(\alpha, \beta)$  -metric,  $F = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  is a Douglas metric if and only if

$$b_{i|j} = 2\tau \{ (1 - 2b^2)a_{ij} + 3b_i b_j \}$$
(4.1)

where  $\tau = \tau(x)$  is a scalar function on *M*. In this case,  $\beta$  is closed. Plugging (4.1) and (3.1) into (2.4), we have

$$G^{i} = G^{i}_{\alpha} + \left(\frac{\alpha^{3} + 3\alpha\beta^{2} - 4\beta^{3}}{\alpha^{2} + \alpha\beta - \beta^{2}}\right)\tau \mathbf{y}^{i} - 2\tau\alpha^{2}\mathbf{b}^{i}$$
(4.2)

Again plugging (3.10) and (3.2) into (2.4), we have

$$\bar{G}^{i} = \bar{G}^{i}_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{2\bar{b}^{2}} \left\{ -\bar{\alpha}^{2} \bar{s}^{i} + \left( 2\bar{s}_{0} y^{i} - \bar{r}_{00} \bar{b}^{i} \right) + 2 \frac{\bar{r}_{00} \bar{\beta} y^{i}}{\bar{\alpha}^{2}} \right\}$$
(4.3)

Since F is Projectively equivalent to  $\overline{F}$ , then their exit a scalar function P = P(x, y) on  $TM \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $G^i = \overline{G}^i + Py^i$ (4.4)
(4.4)

By (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4), we have  

$$\left[P - \left(\frac{\alpha^3 + 3\alpha\beta^2 - 4\beta^3}{\alpha^2 + \alpha\beta - \beta^2}\right)\tau - \frac{1}{\bar{b}^2}\left(\bar{s}_0 + \frac{\bar{r}_{00}\bar{\beta}}{\bar{\alpha}^2}\right)\right]y^i = G^i_\alpha - \bar{G}^i_{\bar{\alpha}} - 2\alpha^2\tau b^i - \frac{1}{2\bar{b}^2}\left(\bar{\alpha}^2\bar{s}^i + \bar{r}_{00}\bar{b}^i\right)$$
(4.5)

Note that RHS of above equation is in quadratic form. Then there must be a one form  $\theta = \theta_i v^i$  on *M*, such that

$$\theta = \theta_i y^2 \text{ on } M, \text{ such that}$$
$$\left[ P - \left( \frac{\alpha^3 + 3\alpha\beta^2 - 4\beta^3}{\alpha^2 + \alpha\beta - \beta^2} \right) \tau - \frac{1}{\bar{b}^2} \left( \bar{s}_0 + \frac{\bar{r}_{00}\bar{\beta}}{\bar{\alpha}^2} \right) \right] = \theta$$

Thus (4.5) becomes

$$G_{\alpha}^{i} - 2\alpha^{2}\tau b^{i} = \bar{G}_{\bar{\alpha}}^{i} + \frac{1}{2\bar{b}^{2}} \left( \bar{\alpha}^{2}\bar{s}^{i} + \bar{r}_{00}\bar{b}^{i} \right) + \theta y^{i}$$
(4.6)

This completes the proof of necessity. Conversely from (4.2), (4.3) and (1.5) we have

$$G^{i} = \bar{G}^{i} + \left[\theta + \left(\frac{\alpha^{3} + 3\alpha\beta^{2} - 4\beta^{3}}{\alpha^{2} + \alpha\beta - \beta^{2}}\right)\tau + \frac{1}{\bar{b}^{2}}\left(\bar{s}_{0} + \frac{\bar{r}_{00}\bar{\beta}}{\bar{\alpha}^{2}}\right)\right]y^{i}$$
(4.7)

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Thus F is projectively equivalent to  $\overline{F}$ . From the above theorem, immediately we get the following corollary



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**Corollary 4.1**. [18]: Let  $L = \alpha + \beta - \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  be a special  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -metric and  $\overline{F} = \frac{\overline{\alpha}^2}{\overline{\beta}}$  be a Kropina metric be two  $(\alpha, \beta)$ metrics on a n-dimensional manifold M with dimension  $n \ge 3$ , where  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  are two Riemannian metrics,  $\beta$  and  $\overline{\beta}$ are two non-zero collinear 1-forms. Then F is projectively related to  $\overline{F}$  if and only if they are Douglas metrics and
the spray coeffcients of  $\alpha$  and  $\overline{\alpha}$  have the following relations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}^{i} - 2\alpha^{2} \tau \mathbf{b}^{i} &= \overline{\mathbf{G}}_{\overline{\alpha}}^{i} + \frac{1}{2\overline{\mathbf{b}}^{2}} \left( \overline{\alpha}^{2} \overline{\mathbf{s}}^{i} + \overline{\mathbf{r}}_{00} \overline{\mathbf{b}}^{i} \right) + \theta \mathbf{y}^{i}, \\ \mathbf{s}_{ij} &= \mathbf{0} \\ \overline{\mathbf{s}}_{ij} &= \frac{1}{\overline{\mathbf{b}}^{2}} \left( \overline{\mathbf{b}}_{i} \overline{\mathbf{s}}_{j} - \overline{\mathbf{b}}_{j} \overline{\mathbf{s}}_{i} \right) \\ \mathbf{b}_{i|j} &= 2\tau \left\{ (1 - 2\mathbf{b}^{2})\mathbf{a}_{ij} + 3\mathbf{b}_{i}\mathbf{b}_{j} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Where  $b_{i|i}$  denotes the coeffcients of the covariant derivative of  $\beta$  with respect to  $\alpha$ .

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