

## ON PROJECTIVE COMPLEX RANDERS CHANGES

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### Abstract

In this paper we study the relation between complex Randers changes and projective changes of complex Finsler metrics. We consider complex Randers changes of a generalized Berwald complex Finsler metric and we determine the necessary and sufficient conditions for the generalized Berwald property to be preserved by these changes. Using this theory, a recursive sequence of projectively related complex Berwald metrics is pointed out.

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## 1 Introduction

The problem of projective changes between two real Finsler metrics is quite old in geometry and it has been studied by many geometers, [8, 16, 21, 13, 19, 9, 15]. Its origin is formulated in Hilbert's Fourth Problem: determine the metrics on an open subset in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , whose geodesics are straight lines. Two Finsler metrics, on a common underlying manifold, are called projectively related if they have the same geodesics as point sets.

The notion of Randers change has been proposed by M. Matsumoto in [16]. Further substantial contributions on this topic are due to C. Shibata [22], M. Hashiguchi, Y. Ichijyō [13], H. S. Park, I. Y. Lee [19], Bácsó, Z. Kovacs [9], etc.

The main themes from projective real Finsler geometry have recently been developed in complex Finsler geometry, [5, 6, 7]. Two complex Finsler metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$ , on a common underlying manifold  $M$ , are called projectively related if any complex geodesic curve, in [1]'s sense, of the first metric is also a complex geodesic curve for the second one and conversely. As we proved in [5], this means that between the spray coefficients  $G^i$  and  $\tilde{G}^i$  there is a so-called *projective change*  $\tilde{G}^i = G^i + B^i + P\eta^i$ , where  $P$  is a smooth function on  $T'M$  with complex values and  $B^i := \frac{1}{2}(\tilde{\theta}^{*i} - \theta^{*i})$ .

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Complex Randers metrics  $\alpha + |\beta|$ , where  $\alpha$  is a purely Hermitian metric and  $\beta$  is a  $(1, 0)$  - form, both on the base manifold, are remarkable in complex Finsler geometry, and they represent a situation in which Hermitian geometry properly interferes with complex Finsler geometry, [3]. A generalization of a complex Randers metric is given by  $\tilde{F} = F + |\beta|$ , where  $(M, F)$  is a complex Finsler space, which compared to projective changes lead us to *complex Randers changes*, which constitute the subject of the present paper.

We consider a complex Randers change of a generalized Berwald complex Finsler metric. The complex Finsler metric obtained by a complex Randers change is also a generalized Berwald one if and only if the  $(1, 0)$  - form  $\beta$  satisfies a special regularity condition, (see Lemma 4.1 and Corollary 4.1). The necessary and sufficient conditions for a complex Randers change to be a projective change are given in Lemma 4.2. By requiring the complex Finsler metric  $F$  to be a complex Berwald one, [6], the complex Randers change  $\tilde{F} = F + |\beta|$  is a projective change if and only if  $\tilde{F}$  is a complex Berwald metric, (see Theorem 4.1). Moreover, by means of the obtained results we construct a recursive sequence of complex Berwald metrics which are projectively related, (Corollary 4.2).

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall some preliminary properties of  $n$ -dimensional complex Finsler spaces, needed for our aforementioned study. In Section 3 we make a survey of projectively related complex Finsler metrics. Section 3 contains the proofs of the above mentioned theorems and some interesting examples.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $M$  be an  $n$ -dimensional complex manifold and  $z = (z^k)_{k=\overline{1,n}}$  be the complex coordinates in a local chart. The complexified  $T_C M$  of the real tangent bundle  $T_R M$ , splits into the sum of the holomorphic tangent bundle  $T' M$  and its conjugate  $T'' M$ . The bundle  $T' M$  is itself a complex manifold and the local coordinates in a local chart will be denoted by  $u = (z^k, \eta^k)_{k=\overline{1,n}}$ . These are transformed into  $(z'^k, \eta'^k)_{k=\overline{1,n}}$  by the rules  $z'^k = z'^k(z)$  and  $\eta'^k = \frac{\partial z'^k}{\partial z^l} \eta^l$ .

A *complex Finsler space* is a pair  $(M, F)$ , where  $F : T' M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is a continuous function satisfying the following conditions:

- i)  $L := F^2$  is smooth on  $\widehat{T' M} := T' M \setminus \{0\}$ ;
- ii)  $F(z, \eta) \geq 0$ , the equality holds if and only if  $\eta = 0$ ;
- iii)  $F(z, \lambda\eta) = |\lambda|F(z, \eta)$  for  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ;
- iv) the Hermitian matrix  $(g_{i\bar{j}}(z, \eta))$  is positive definite, where  $g_{i\bar{j}} := \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \eta^i \partial \bar{\eta}^j}$  is the fundamental metric tensor. Equivalently, this means that the indicatrix of the space is strongly pseudo-convex.

Consequently, from iii) we have  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \eta^k} \eta^k = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \bar{\eta}^k} \bar{\eta}^k = L$ ,  $\frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial \eta^k} \eta^k = \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{j}}}{\partial \bar{\eta}^k} \bar{\eta}^k = 0$  and  $L = g_{i\bar{j}} \eta^i \bar{\eta}^j$ .

Consider the sections of the complexified tangent bundle of  $T' M$ . Then by  $VT' M \subset T'(T' M)$  we denote the vertical bundle, locally spanned by  $\{\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta^k}\}$ , and by  $VT'' M$ , its conjugate. The idea of complex nonlinear connection, briefly (*c.n.c.*), is an instrument in the 'linearization' of the geometry of the manifold  $T' M$ . A (*c.n.c.*) is a supplementary

complex subbundle to  $VT'M$  in  $T'(T'M)$ , i.e.  $T'(T'M) = HT'M \oplus VT'M$ . The horizontal distribution  $H_u T'M$  is locally spanned by  $\{\frac{\delta}{\delta z^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k} - N_k^j \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta^j}\}$ , where  $N_k^j(z, \eta)$  are the coefficients of the (c.n.c.). The pair  $\{\delta_k := \frac{\delta}{\delta z^k}, \dot{\partial}_k := \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta^k}\}$  will be called the adapted frame of the (c.n.c.), which obey the change rules  $\delta_k = \frac{\partial z'^j}{\partial z^k} \delta'_j$  and  $\dot{\partial}_k = \frac{\partial z'^j}{\partial z^k} \dot{\partial}'_j$ . By conjugation everywhere we obtain an adapted frame  $\{\delta_{\bar{k}}, \dot{\partial}_{\bar{k}}\}$  on  $T''_u(T'M)$ . The dual adapted frames are  $\{dz^k, \delta\eta^k := d\eta^k + N_j^k dz^j\}$  and  $\{d\bar{z}^k, \delta\bar{\eta}^k\}$ .

Let  $S \in T'(T'M)$  be a complex spray. Locally, it can be expressed as follows

$$S = \eta^k \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k} - 2G^k(z, \eta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta^k} \quad (2.1)$$

where  $G^k$  are the spray coefficients, [17], which are  $(2, 0)$ -homogeneous with respect to  $\eta$ , i.e.  $(\dot{\partial}_k G^i) \eta^k = 2G^i$  and  $(\dot{\partial}_{\bar{k}} G^i) \bar{\eta}^k = 0$ .

Between the notions of complex spray and (c.n.c.) there exists an interdependence, each one of them determining the other, (for more details see [17]).

A (c.n.c.) related only to the fundamental function of the complex Finsler space  $(M, F)$  is the so-called Chern-Finsler (c.n.c.), (see [1]), with the local coefficients  $N_j^i := g^{\bar{m}i} \frac{\partial g_{\bar{m}j}}{\partial z^j} \eta^l$ . Subsequently,  $\delta_k$  is the adapted frame with respect to the Chern-Finsler (c.n.c.). A Hermitian connection  $D$ , of  $(1, 0)$ -type, which satisfies in addition  $D_{JX}Y = JD_X Y$ , for all horizontal vectors  $X$ , where  $J$  is the natural complex structure of the manifold, is the Chern-Finsler connection, [1]. It is locally given by the following coefficients (see [17]):

$$L_{jk}^i := g^{\bar{l}i} \delta_k g_{j\bar{l}} = \dot{\partial}_j N_k^i ; C_{jk}^i := g^{\bar{l}i} \dot{\partial}_k g_{j\bar{l}}. \quad (2.2)$$

In [1]'s terminology, the complex Finsler space  $(M, F)$  is *Kähler* iff  $T_{jk}^i \eta^j = 0$  and *weakly Kähler* iff  $g_{\bar{l}i} T_{jk}^i \eta^j \bar{\eta}^l = 0$ , where  $T_{jk}^i := L_{jk}^i - L_{kj}^i$ . We notice that in the particular case of complex Finsler metrics which come from Hermitian metrics on  $M$ , called *purely Hermitian metrics* in [17], (i.e.  $g_{i\bar{j}} = g_{\bar{i}j}(z)$ ), these two notions of Kähler are the same. On the other hand, as in Aikou's work [2], a complex Finsler space which is Kähler and  $L_{jk}^i = L_{jk}^i(z)$  is called a *complex Berwald* space.

In [17] is proved that the Chern-Finsler (c.n.c.) does not generally come from a complex spray. But, its local coefficients  $N_j^i$  always determine a complex spray with coefficients

$G^i = \frac{1}{2} N_j^i \eta^j$ . Further,  $G^i$  induce a (c.n.c.) denoted by  $N_j^i := \dot{\partial}_j G^i$  which is called *canonical* in [17], and is proved that it coincides with Chern-Finsler (c.n.c.) if and only if the complex Finsler metric is Kähler. With respect to the canonical (c.n.c.), we consider the frame  $\{\delta_k, \dot{\partial}_k\}$ , where  $\delta_k := \frac{\partial}{\partial z^k} - N_k^j \dot{\partial}_j$ , and its dual coframe  $\{dz^k, \delta \eta^k\}$ , where  $\delta \eta^k := d\eta^k + N_j^k dz^j$ . Moreover, we associate to the canonical (c.n.c.) a complex linear connection of Berwald type  $B\Gamma$  with its connection form

$$\omega_j^i(z, \eta) = G_{jk}^i dz^k + G_{j\bar{k}}^i d\bar{z}^k, \quad (2.3)$$

where  $G_{jk}^i := \dot{\partial}_k N_j^i = G_{kj}^i$  and  $G_{j\bar{k}}^i := \dot{\partial}_{\bar{k}} N_j^i$ .

Note that the spray coefficients obey the relations  $2G^i = N_j^i \eta^j = \overset{c}{N}_j^i \eta^j = G_{jk}^i \eta^j \eta^k = L_{jk}^i \eta^j \eta^k$ . We denote by  $G_{jkh}^i := \dot{\partial}_h G_{jk}^i$ ,  $G_{j\bar{k}h}^i = \dot{\partial}_{\bar{h}} G_{j\bar{k}}^i$  and  $G_{j\bar{k}h}^i := \dot{\partial}_h G_{j\bar{k}}^i$  the  $hv$ -,  $\bar{h}\bar{v}$ - and  $h\bar{v}$ -curvature tensors respectively; their properties are pointed out in [4].

An extension of complex Berwald spaces, directly related to the  $B\Gamma$  connection, are *generalized Berwald* spaces, studied by us in [4]. They have the coefficients  $G_{jk}^i$  depending only on the position  $z$ , equivalently with  $\dot{\partial}_{\bar{h}} G^i = 0$ , i.e.  $B\Gamma$  is of  $(1, 0)$ -type. Since in the Kähler case  $G_{jk}^i = L_{jk}^i$ , any complex Berwald space is generalized Berwald. Conversely, in [6] we proved that any generalized Berwald space, which is weakly Kähler, is a complex Berwald space.

### 3 Projectively related complex Finsler metrics

In Abate-Patrizio's sense, (see [1] p. 101), the equations of a complex geodesic curve  $z = z(s)$  of  $(M, F)$ , with  $s$  a real parameter, can be expressed as follows

$$\frac{d^2 z^i}{ds^2} + 2G^i(z(s), \frac{dz}{ds}) = \theta^{*i}(z(s), \frac{dz}{ds}); \quad i = \overline{1, n}, \quad (3.1)$$

where by  $z^i(s)$ ,  $i = \overline{1, n}$ , we denote the coordinates along of curve  $z = z(s)$  and  $\theta^{*k} := 2g^{\bar{j}k} \delta_{\bar{j}}^c L$ . Note that  $\theta^{*i}$  vanishes identically if and only if the space is weakly Kähler.

Let  $\tilde{F}$  be another complex Finsler metric on the underlying manifold  $M$ . Corresponding to the metric  $\tilde{F}$ , we have the spray coefficients  $\tilde{G}^i$  and the functions  $\tilde{\theta}^{*i}$ . The complex Finsler metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  on the manifold  $M$ , are called *projectively related* if they have the same complex geodesics as point sets. This means that for any complex geodesic curve  $z = z(s)$  of  $(M, F)$  there is a transformation of its parameter  $s$ ,  $\tilde{s} = \tilde{s}(s)$ , with  $\frac{d\tilde{s}}{ds} > 0$ , such that  $z = z(\tilde{s}(s))$  is a geodesic of  $(M, \tilde{F})$ , and conversely.

**Theorem 3.1.** ([5]). *Let  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  be two complex Finsler metrics on the manifold  $M$ . Then  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are projectively related if and only if there exists a smooth function  $P$  on  $T'M$  with complex values, such that*

$$\tilde{G}^i = G^i + B^i + P\eta^i; \quad i = \overline{1, n}, \quad (3.2)$$

where  $B^i := \frac{1}{2}(\tilde{\theta}^{*i} - \theta^{*i})$ .

The relations (3.2) between the spray coefficients  $\tilde{G}^i$  and  $G^i$  of the projectively related complex Finsler metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  is called a *projective change*. The projective change (3.2) gives rise to various projective invariants, for more details see [6].

**Theorem 3.2.** ([5]). *Let  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  be complex Finsler metrics on the manifold  $M$ . Then,  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are projectively related if and only if*

$$\dot{\partial}_{\bar{r}}(\delta_k \tilde{F})\eta^k + 2(\dot{\partial}_{\bar{r}} G^l)(\dot{\partial}_l \tilde{F}) = \frac{1}{\tilde{F}}(\delta_k \tilde{F})\eta^k(\dot{\partial}_{\bar{r}} \tilde{F});$$

$$B^r = -\frac{1}{\tilde{F}}\theta^{*l}(\dot{\partial}_l \tilde{F})\eta^r ; P = \frac{1}{\tilde{F}}[(\delta_k \tilde{F})\eta^k + \theta^{*i}(\dot{\partial}_i \tilde{F})]. \quad (3.3)$$

Moreover, the projective change is  $\tilde{G}^i = G^i + \frac{1}{\tilde{F}}(\delta_k \tilde{F})\eta^k \eta^i$ .

Note that, the weakly Kähler property is preserved by projective changes. Moreover, if the metric  $F$  is generalized Berwald, then  $\tilde{F}$  is also generalized Berwald.

## 4 Complex Randers changes

We consider a complex Finsler metric  $F(z, \eta) = \sqrt{g_{i\bar{j}}(z, \eta)\eta^i \bar{\eta}^j}$  and a differential  $(1, 0)$ -form  $\beta(z, \eta) := b_i(z)\eta^i$ , both on the manifold  $M$ .

**Definition 4.1.** A change of complex Finsler metrics  $F(z, \eta) \rightarrow \tilde{F}(z, \eta)$  is called a complex Randers change of  $F$  if

$$\tilde{F}(z, \eta) = F(z, \eta) + |\beta|. \quad (4.1)$$

In particular, if  $F$  is a purely Hermitian metric, i.e.  $F(z, \eta) = \sqrt{g_{i\bar{j}}(z)\eta^i \bar{\eta}^j}$ , then  $\tilde{F}(z, \eta)$ , becomes a complex Randers metric, (see Theorem 2.1, [3]). Taking into account that in the paper [5] we have an exhaustive study of the projectiveness of the complex Randers metric, our next investigation is focused on the complex Randers change with  $F$  a non purely Hermitian metric.

It is a technical computation to give the expressions of the geometric objects of the space  $(M, \tilde{F})$ , obtained by the complex Randers change (4.1). Certainly, they involve some trivial calculus which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j}} &= \frac{\tilde{F}}{F}g_{i\bar{j}} - \frac{\tilde{F}}{2F^3}\eta_i \eta_{\bar{j}} + \frac{\tilde{F}}{2|\beta|}b_i b_{\bar{j}} + \frac{1}{2\tilde{L}}\tilde{\eta}_i \tilde{\eta}_{\bar{j}}, \\ \tilde{g}^{\bar{j}i} &= \frac{F}{\tilde{F}}g^{\bar{j}i} + \frac{|\beta|(F||b||^2 + |\beta|)}{\tilde{L}\gamma}\eta^i \bar{\eta}^j - \frac{F^3}{\tilde{F}\gamma}b^i \bar{b}^j - \frac{F}{\tilde{F}\gamma}(\bar{\beta}\eta^i \bar{b}^j + \beta b^i \bar{\eta}^j); \\ \tilde{N}_j^i &= N_j^i + \frac{1}{\gamma}(\eta_{\bar{r}} \frac{\partial \bar{b}^r}{\partial z^j} - \frac{\beta^2}{|\beta|^2} \frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j} \bar{\eta}^r)\xi^i + \frac{\beta}{2|\beta|}k^{\bar{r}i} \frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

where  $k^{\bar{r}i} := 2Fg^{\bar{r}i} + \frac{2(F||b||^2 + 2|\beta|)}{\gamma}\eta^i \bar{\eta}^r - \frac{2F^3}{\gamma}b^i \bar{b}^r - \frac{2F}{\gamma}(\bar{\beta}\eta^i \bar{b}^r + \beta b^i \bar{\eta}^r)$ ,  $\gamma := \tilde{F}^2 + F^2(||b||^2 - 1)$ ,  $\xi^i := \bar{\beta}\eta^i + F^2 b^i$ ,  $N_j^k := g^{\bar{m}k} \frac{\partial g_{i\bar{m}}}{\partial z^j} \eta^l$ , with the settings

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_i &:= 2F(\dot{\partial}_i F) ; \tilde{\eta}_i := 2\tilde{F}(\dot{\partial}_i \tilde{F}) = \frac{\tilde{F}}{F}\eta_i + \frac{\tilde{F}\bar{\beta}}{|\beta|}b_i; \\ \dot{\partial}_i |\beta| &= \frac{\bar{\beta}}{2|\beta|}b_i ; b^i := g^{\bar{j}i}b_{\bar{j}} ; ||b||^2 := g^{\bar{j}i}b_i b_{\bar{j}} ; \bar{b}^i := \bar{b}^i. \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

Therefore, the spray coefficients are

$$\tilde{G}^i = G^i + \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\eta_{\bar{r}} \frac{\partial \bar{b}^r}{\partial z^j} - \frac{\beta^2}{|\beta|^2} \frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j} \bar{\eta}^r)\xi^i \eta^j + \frac{\beta}{4|\beta|}k^{\bar{r}i} \frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j} \eta^j. \quad (4.4)$$

Next, for complex Randers changes of a generalized Berwald metric we can prove the following.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $(M, F)$  be a connected generalized Berwald space and let  $\tilde{F}(z, \eta) = F(z, \eta) + |\beta|$  be a complex Randers change. Then,  $(M, \tilde{F})$  is a generalized Berwald space if and only if  $(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j = 0$ . Moreover, given any of them,  $\tilde{G}^i = G^i$ .*

*Proof.* First, we prove the direct implication. If  $(M, \tilde{F})$  is generalized Berwald space, then  $2\tilde{G}^i = \tilde{G}_{jk}^i(z)\eta^j\eta^k$ , which means that  $\tilde{G}^i$  is quadratic in  $\eta$ . Also,  $G^i$  is quadratic in  $\eta$ . Thus, using (4.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & F|\beta|\{-\beta[(F^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)g^{\bar{r}i} + ||b||^2\bar{\eta}^r\eta^i - F^2\bar{b}^r b^i - \bar{\beta}\eta^i\bar{b}^r - \beta b^i\bar{\eta}^r]\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j \\ & + 4|\beta|^2(\tilde{G}^i - G^i)\} + |\beta|^2[2(F^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)(\tilde{G}^i - G^i) - 2F^2\beta g^{\bar{r}i}\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j \\ & - (\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j\eta^i - \frac{F^2\beta}{|\beta|^2}(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} - \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j b^i] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which contains an irrational part and a rational part. Thus, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta[(F^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)g^{\bar{r}i} + ||b||^2\bar{\eta}^r\eta^i - F^2\bar{b}^r b^i - \bar{\beta}\eta^i\bar{b}^r - \beta b^i\bar{\eta}^r]\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j \\ & = 4|\beta|^2(\tilde{G}^i - G^i) \text{ and} \\ & (\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j\eta^i + \frac{F^2\beta}{|\beta|^2}(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} - \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j b^i + 2F^2\beta g^{\bar{r}i}\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j \\ & = 2(\alpha^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)(\tilde{G}^i - G^i). \end{aligned}$$

Contractions with  $b_i$  and  $\eta_i$  yield

$$(\tilde{G}^i - G^i)b_i = 0; \tag{4.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & 4|\beta|^2(G^i - \tilde{G}^i)\eta_i + 2\beta F^2(||b||^2\bar{\eta}^r - \bar{\beta}\bar{b}^r)\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j = 0; \\ & \bar{\beta}(F^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j - \beta(\alpha^2||b||^2 - |\beta|^2)\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r\eta^j + 2\alpha^2|\beta|^2\bar{b}^r\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j = 0; \\ & (\alpha^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)(G^i - \tilde{G}^i)\eta_i + \alpha^2(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Adding the second and the third relations from (4.5), we obtain

$$4|\beta|^2(G^i - \tilde{G}^i)\eta_i + (F^2||b||^2 + |\beta|^2)(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j = 0.$$

This together with the fourth equation from (4.5) implies  $(G^i - \tilde{G}^i)\eta_i = 0$  and  $(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j = 0$ .

Conversely, if  $(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r)\eta^j = 0$ , its differentiation with respect to  $\bar{\eta}^m$  and the fact that  $G^i$  are holomorphic in  $\eta$ , gives  $(l_{\bar{r}}\frac{\partial\bar{r}}{\partial z^j}b_{\bar{m}} + \beta\frac{\partial b_{\bar{m}}}{\partial z^j})\eta^j = 0$ . The last two relations imply

$$g^{\bar{m}i}\frac{\partial b_{\bar{m}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j = \frac{\beta}{|\beta|^2}\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r b^i\eta^j \text{ and } \bar{b}^m\frac{\partial b_{\bar{m}}}{\partial z^j}\eta^j = ||b||^2\frac{\beta}{|\beta|^2}\frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^j}\bar{\eta}^r\eta^j,$$

which substituted into (4.4) imply  $\tilde{G}^i = G^i$  and so,  $\tilde{G}^i$  are holomorphic in  $\eta$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{F}$  is generalized Berwald.  $\square$

Subsequently, our aim is to determine the necessary and sufficient conditions in which the complex Randers change (4.1) is a projective change, that is, to establish when the complex Finsler metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  from (4.1) are projectively related. A simple computation shows that

$$(\delta_k \tilde{F})\eta^k = (\delta_k |\beta|)\eta^k = \frac{1}{2|\beta|}(\bar{\beta}\eta_{\bar{r}} \frac{\partial \bar{b}^r}{\partial z^k} + \beta \frac{\partial b_{\bar{r}}}{\partial z^k} \bar{\eta}^r)\eta^k, \quad (4.6)$$

because  $(\delta_k F)\eta^k = 0$  and

$$\theta^{*i}(\partial_i \tilde{F}) = \frac{\bar{\beta}}{|\beta|}(\delta_{\bar{m}}^c F)b^{\bar{m}}. \quad (4.7)$$

Thanks to Lemma 4.1 we have proven,

**Corollary 4.1.** *Let  $(M, F)$  be a connected generalized Berwald space and let  $\tilde{F}(z, \eta) = F(z, \eta) + |\beta|$  be a complex Randers change. Then,  $(M, \tilde{F})$  is a generalized Berwald space if and only if  $(\delta_k |\beta|)\eta^k = 0$ .*

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $(M, F)$  be a connected generalized Berwald space. Then, the complex Randers change (4.1) is a projective change if and only if*

$$(\delta_k |\beta|)\eta^k = 0 \text{ and } B^i = -P\eta^i,$$

for any  $i = \overline{1, n}$ , where  $P = \frac{\bar{\beta}}{|\beta|}(\delta_{\bar{m}}^c F)b^{\bar{m}}$ . Moreover, given any of them, the projective change is  $\tilde{G}^i = G^i$ .

*Proof.* Since  $F$  is generalized Berwald and the metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are projectively related, then  $\tilde{F}$  is also generalized Berwald. So that, by (4.6), (4.7) and Corollary 4.1, the conditions (3.3) are reduced to  $B^i = -P\eta^i$ , for any  $i = \overline{1, n}$ , where  $P = \frac{\bar{\beta}}{|\beta|}(\delta_{\bar{m}}^c F)b^{\bar{m}}$ .

Conversely, since  $(\delta_k |\beta|)\eta^k = 0$ , then the first condition from (3.3) is identically satisfied and by (4.7),  $B^i = -\frac{1}{F}\theta^{*l}(\partial_l \tilde{F})\eta^i$  and  $P = \frac{1}{F}\theta^{*i}(\partial_i \tilde{F})$ . All these conditions imply that the metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are projectively related.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $(M, F)$  be a connected complex Berwald space. Then, the complex Randers change (4.1) is a projective change if and only if  $\tilde{F}$  is a complex Berwald metric.*

*Proof.* Suppose that the complex Randers change (4.1) is a projective change. Hence, it preserves the weakly Kähler and generalized Berwald properties of the metric  $F$ . Thus,  $\tilde{F}$  is a complex Berwald metric.

Conversely, since  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$ , related by (4.1), are complex Berwald metrics, the conditions (3.3) are identically satisfied. Thus, the metrics  $F$  and  $\tilde{F}$  are projectively related.  $\square$

**An example.** Let  $\Delta = \{(z, w) \in \mathbb{C}^2, |w| < |z| < 1\}$  be the Hartogs triangle with the Kähler-purely Hermitian metric

$$a_{i\bar{j}} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^i \partial \bar{z}^j} \left( \log \frac{1}{(1 - |z|^2)(|z|^2 - |w|^2)} \right); \quad \alpha^2(z, w; \eta, \theta) = a_{i\bar{j}}\eta^i \bar{\eta}^j, \quad (4.8)$$

where  $z, w, \eta, \theta$  are the local coordinates  $z^1, z^2, \eta^1, \eta^2$ , respectively, and  $|z^i|^2 := z^i \bar{z}^i$ ,  $z^i \in \{z, w\}$ ,  $\eta^i \in \{\eta, \theta\}$ . We choose

$$b_z = \frac{w}{|z|^2 - |w|^2}; \quad b_w = -\frac{z}{|z|^2 - |w|^2}. \quad (4.9)$$

With these tools we construct  $\alpha(z, w, \eta, \theta) := \sqrt{a_{i\bar{j}}(z, w)\eta^i \bar{\eta}^j}$  and  $\beta(z, \eta) = b_i(z, w)\eta^i$  and from here, we obtain the complex Randers metric  $F = \alpha + |\beta|$ . After some calculations it follows that the spray coefficients of the metric  $F$  are

$$\begin{aligned} G^z &= \overset{a}{G}^z = \frac{\bar{z}\eta^2}{1 - |z|^2}; \\ G^w &= \overset{a}{G}^w = \frac{\bar{z}w\eta^2}{z} \left( \frac{1}{1 - |z|^2} + \frac{1}{|z|^2 - |w|^2} \right) - \frac{(|z|^2 + |w|^2)\eta\theta}{z(|z|^2 - |w|^2)} + \frac{\bar{w}\theta^2}{|z|^2 - |w|^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

where  $\overset{a}{G}^z$  and  $\overset{a}{G}^w$  are the spray coefficients corresponding to the metric  $\alpha$ . From (4.10) and (4.9) we deduce that  $F$  is a complex Berwald metric, and so, by Theorem 4.1,  $\alpha$  and  $F$  are projectively related.

Given the complex Berwald metric  $F = \alpha + |\beta|$ , (with (4.8) and (4.9)), we consider the Randers change  $\tilde{F} = F + |\beta|$ , where  $\beta$  is same as in (4.9). Since  $F$  is a complex Berwald metric and  $(\delta_k |\beta|)\eta^k = 0$ , we obtain  $\tilde{G}^z = G^z$  and  $\tilde{G}^w = G^w$ , which allows us to conclude that  $\tilde{F}$  is also a complex Berwald metric. Applying Theorem 4.1, the considered Randers change is projective.

We complete our considerations with the following statement.

**Corollary 4.2.** *Let  $(M, F_0)$  be a connected complex Berwald space. Then,*

$$F_m = F_{m-1} + |\beta|, \quad m \in \mathbf{N}, \quad (4.11)$$

*is a recursive sequence of complex Berwald metrics, on the complex manifold  $M$ , if and only if (4.11) is a projective Randers change for any  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ .*

The proof is obtained inductively, by using Theorem 4.1.

The recursive sequence can be rewritten as  $F_m = F_0 + m|\beta|$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ , and by this, we can generate some examples of complex Berwald metrics. Indeed, choosing the tools  $F_0 = \alpha$  and  $\beta$  from (4.8) and (4.9), we produce a lot of concrete examples of complex Berwald metrics on Hartogs triangle.

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