

Introduction

The study of \mathcal{L} -duality of ~~Finsler~~ and Finsler spaces was initiated by R. Miron (~~[7]~~) ^{||} ^{Fargnange} around 1980. Since then many Finsler geometers studied this topic.

One of the main ^{Remarkable} results obtained ~~is~~ ^{are} the concrete \mathcal{L} -duals of α -Randers and Kropine metrics ([4]). However, the importance of \mathcal{L} -duality is by far limited to computing the dual of some Finsler fundamental functions.

Very recently ([12]) the complicated problem of classifying Randers metrics of constant flag curvature was solved by means of duality. Other geometrical problems of (α, β) -metrics might be solved in future by considering not the metric itself, but its \mathcal{L} -dual.

The concrete examples of \mathcal{L} -dual metrics are quite few (^{3,4}[1]).

In the present paper we succeeded to compute the dual of another well known (α, β) -metric, the Matsumoto metric. Surprisingly, despite of the quite ~~long~~ complicated computations involved, the obtained Hamiltonian function by means of four

quadratic forms on T^*M and a 1-form. This metric is completely new and it brings a new idea ~~about~~ about \mathcal{L} -duality. The dual of an (α, β) -metric can be given by means of several quadratic forms on T^*M and 1-forms

constructed ~~by means of the~~ ^{only with the} Riemannian metric coefficients $a_{ij}(x)$ and the 1-form coefficients $b_i(x)$.