

Continuum Mechanics (B)

Session 05: Cartesian Tensor Notation

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Indicial Notation (下标表示, 张量表示)

Using 1, 2 and 3 to represent the three components in Cartesian coordinates:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{Bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} u_x \\ u_y \\ u_z \end{Bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \tau_{xy} \\ \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yz} \end{Bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} \tau_{12} \\ \tau_{13} \\ \tau_{23} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_x \\ \sigma_y \\ \sigma_z \end{Bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{Bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \sigma_{33} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Indicial Notation (下标表示, 张量表示)

$$\begin{cases} x'_1 = a_{11}x_1 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{31}x_3 \\ x'_2 = a_{12}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{32}x_3 \\ x'_3 = a_{13}x_1 + a_{23}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 \end{cases} \quad \rightarrow \quad x'_1 = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{i1} x_i \quad x'_2 = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{i2} x_i \quad x'_3 = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{i3} x_i$$

$x'_j = a_{ij}x_i$ $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ $\leftarrow x'_j = \sum_{i=1}^3 a_{ij}x_i \quad j = 1, 2, 3$

summation convention

$$i, j = 1, 2, 3$$

can be neglected

Summation convention: if a subscript appears twice in one monomial (单项式), automatic summation over the range of this subscript is required.

Exercise:

write down the expanded form of the following equations

$$a_{ii} = 0 \quad y_i = a_{ij}x_j$$

Indicial Notation

Tensor notation

$$x'_j = a_{ij} x_i$$

free index j dummy index i

dummy index (哑标, 哑指标) :

repeated subscripts

free index (自由标, 自由指标) :

nonrepeated subscripts

Example:

1. Find the dummy and free indices in the equation below

$$\sigma_{ji,j} + f_i = 0$$

2. write down the expanded form of the following equations

$$b_{ij} b_{jk} = 0$$

$b_{i1} b_{1k} + b_{i2} b_{2k} + b_{i3} b_{3k}$ has 9 components

Rules for summation convention:

In a tensor equation,

- a subscript may appear **no more than twice** in each monomial;
- if a subscript appears only once in a monomial, it **must appear** and **just appear once** in **every** monomial.

E.g.

$$a_i = b_{ijj} c_j$$

$$b_j = A_{ij} x_i + f_j + g_k$$



Indicial Notation

The letter used both for the free index and dummy index can be replaced by other letters

$$x'_j = a_{ij} x_i \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad x'_k = a_{ik} x_i$$

replace free index
 j with letter k

$$x'_j = a_{ij} x_i = a_{\ell j} x_\ell \quad \text{replace dummy index } i \text{ with } \ell$$

$$b_j = A_{ij} x_i + f_j \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad b_k = A_{jk} x_j + f_k$$

Example:

Prove that the trace of AB equals to the trace of BA where A, B are two matrices

Vector Transformation (向量变换)

Assume a position vector \mathbf{P} is represented by (x_1, x_2, x_3) in xyz coordinate and (x'_1, x'_2, x'_3) in a new coordinate system $x'y'z'$, we have

$$\begin{cases} x'_1 = a_{11}x_1 + a_{21}x_2 + a_{31}x_3 \\ x'_2 = a_{12}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{32}x_3 \\ x'_3 = a_{13}x_1 + a_{23}x_2 + a_{33}x_3 \end{cases}$$

Coefficients are
direction cosines

$$a_{ij} = \cos(x_i, x'_j)$$

Direction cosines

	x'_1	x'_2	x'_3
x_1	a_{11}	a_{12}	a_{13}
x_2	a_{21}	a_{22}	a_{23}
x_3	a_{31}	a_{32}	a_{33}

a_{ij} , the first index i and the second index j come from xyz and $x'y'z'$ system, respectively

In indicial notation

$$x'_j = a_{ij}x_i$$

Conversely, vector components (x_1, x_2, x_3) can be represented by (x'_1, x'_2, x'_3) :

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = a_{11}x'_1 + a_{12}x'_2 + a_{13}x'_3 \\ x_2 = a_{21}x'_1 + a_{22}x'_2 + a_{23}x'_3 \\ x_3 = a_{31}x'_1 + a_{32}x'_2 + a_{33}x'_3 \end{cases} \quad x_m = a_{mk}x'_k$$

In general, direction cosine $a_{12} \neq a_{21}$.

Vector Transformation (向量变换)

$$x'_j = a_{ij} x_i \quad x_m = a_{mk} x'_k$$

change free index m to i , we have

$$x_i = a_{ik} x'_k$$

substitute this equation into coordinate transformation equation

$$x'_j = a_{ij} x_i$$

we have

$$x'_j = a_{ij} a_{ik} x'_k$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} a_{ij} a_{ik} &= 1 & \text{if } j &= k \\ a_{ij} a_{ik} &= 0 & \text{if } j &\neq k \end{aligned}$$



Direction cosines

	x'_1	x'_2	x'_3
x_1	a_{11}	a_{12}	a_{13}
x_2	a_{21}	a_{22}	a_{23}
x_3	a_{31}	a_{32}	a_{33}

a_{ij} represents the unit vector of x'_j and
 a_{ik} represents the unit vector of x'_k

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11}^2 + a_{21}^2 + a_{31}^2 &= 1 & a_{11}a_{12} + a_{21}a_{22} + a_{31}a_{32} &= 0 \\ a_{12}^2 + a_{22}^2 + a_{32}^2 &= 1 & a_{11}a_{13} + a_{21}a_{23} + a_{31}a_{33} &= 0 \\ a_{13}^2 + a_{23}^2 + a_{33}^2 &= 1 & a_{12}a_{13} + a_{22}a_{23} + a_{32}a_{33} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Vector Transformation

Similar to the position vector, for any vector quantity \mathbf{F} , its components transform to a primed coordinate system according to the rule

$$F'_j = a_{ij} F_i$$

Definition of a vector based on coordinate transformation:

A set of three quantities F_i referred to a coordinate system xyz and transformed to another coordinate system $x'y'z'$ by the following equation is defined as a vector

$$F'_j = a_{ij} F_i$$

Assume the components of a quantity in the xyz and $x'y'z'$ coordinates are:

$$A'_j = A_i = [1, 1, 1]$$

Show that it is not a vector:

$$A'_j \neq a_{ij} A_i$$

Review

Indical (Tensor) notation (下标表示, 张量表示)

$$x_i, u_i, p_i, \tau_{ij}$$

Summation convention (爱因斯坦求和约定)

$$x'_j = a_{ij} x_i$$

Diagram illustrating the summation convention in the equation $x'_j = a_{ij} x_i$. Blue arrows point from the labels below to the indices in the equation:

- free index j points to x'_j
- dummy index i points to a_{ij} and x_i

Definition of a vector based on coordinate transformation:

$$F'_j = a_{ij} F_i \quad \text{also} \quad F_i = a_{ij} F'_j$$

Direction cosines

$$a_{ij} = \cos(x_i, x'_j)$$

Classroom exercise

show that

$$a_{ji} a_{ki} = 1 \quad \text{if } j = k$$

$$a_{ji} a_{ki} = 0 \quad \text{if } j \neq k$$

8-1 Demonstrate that the dot product of vectors u_i and v_m may be written in all of the following forms

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} &= u_i v_i \\ &= a_{ij} a_{mj} u_i v_m \\ &= u'_j v'_j \\ &= a_{ij} a_{ik} u'_j v'_k \end{aligned}$$

Further understanding of position vector transformation (if needed)

$$\vec{P} = x_1 \hat{x}_1 + x_2 \hat{x}_2 + x_3 \hat{x}_3 = x'_1 \hat{x}'_1 + x'_2 \hat{x}'_2 + x'_3 \hat{x}'_3$$

$$x'_j = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{x}'_j = (x_1 \hat{x}_1 + x_2 \hat{x}_2 + x_3 \hat{x}_3) \cdot \hat{x}'_j$$

$$= x_1 \hat{x}_1 \cdot \hat{x}'_j + x_2 \hat{x}_2 \cdot \hat{x}'_j + x_3 \hat{x}_3 \cdot \hat{x}'_j$$

$$= x_1 a_{1j} + x_2 a_{2j} + x_3 a_{3j}$$

$$\mathbf{x}'_j = \mathbf{a}_{ij} x_i$$

$$x_m = \vec{P} \cdot \hat{x}_m = (x'_1 \hat{x}'_1 + x'_2 \hat{x}'_2 + x'_3 \hat{x}'_3) \cdot \hat{x}_m$$

$$= x'_1 \hat{x}'_1 \cdot \hat{x}_m + x'_2 \hat{x}'_2 \cdot \hat{x}_m + x'_3 \hat{x}'_3 \cdot \hat{x}_m$$

$$= x'_1 a_{m1} + x'_2 a_{m2} + x'_3 a_{m3}$$

$$x_m = a_{mk} x'_k \text{ or}$$

$$x_i = a_{ij} x'_j$$