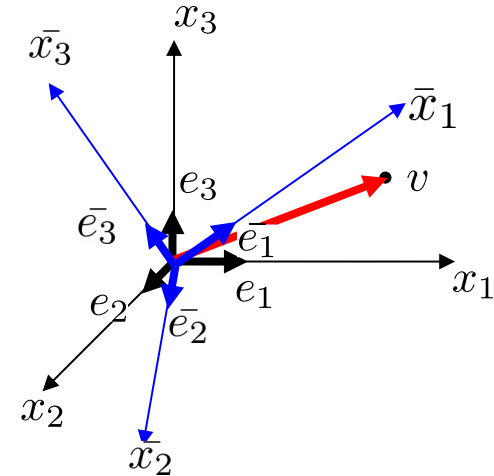


Introduction to Tensors

Transformation laws of tensors

- Through a tensor is invariant with respect to coordinate system, its components change if the coordinate system changes.
- Consider two coordinate system denoted by x_i and \bar{x}_i with base vectors e_i and \bar{e}_i , respectively.
- As shown in the figure the components of a vector \mathbf{v} are $v_i = \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}$ in the first system, and $\bar{v}_i = \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}$ in the second system.
- Similarly, the components of a tensor \mathbf{A} is $A_{ij} = \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{A} \mathbf{e}_j$ in the first system and \bar{A} is $\bar{A}_{ij} = \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i \cdot \mathbf{A} \bar{\mathbf{e}}_j$ in the second system. We will derive the transformation laws for a tensor, i.e. the relationship between the components A_{ij} and \bar{A}_{ij} .



Transformation laws of tensors

Let \mathbf{Q} be an orthogonal tensor and the components Q_{ij} of tensor are defined as,

$$Q_{ij} = \cos(\mathbf{e}_i, \bar{\mathbf{e}}_j)$$

Tensor \mathbf{Q} transforms the basis vectors \mathbf{e}_i to $\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i$ i.e.,

$$\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{e}_i, \text{ and } \mathbf{e}_i = \mathbf{Q}^T\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i.$$

Consider a vector \mathbf{u} , which can be written as,

$$\mathbf{u} = u_i\mathbf{e}_i = \bar{u}_i\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i.$$

Using the relation between \mathbf{e}_i and $\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i$, we can write,

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{u}_i &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{e}_i \\ &\Rightarrow u_k\mathbf{e}_k \cdot (Q_{mn}\mathbf{e}_m\mathbf{e}_n) \mathbf{e}_i \\ &\Rightarrow u_k\mathbf{e}_k \cdot Q_{mn}\mathbf{e}_m\delta_{ni} = u_k\mathbf{e}_k \cdot Q_{mi}\mathbf{e}_m \\ &\Rightarrow Q_{mi}u_k\delta_{km} = Q_{ki}u_k = \bar{u}_i\end{aligned}$$

This is the transformation laws for vectors, which in vector notation can be written as,

$$\{\bar{\mathbf{u}}\}^T = [\mathbf{Q}]^T \{\mathbf{u}\} \quad 29$$

Transformation laws of tensors

The transformation laws for vector can be used to derive the transformation laws for tensors. For a second order tensor, we can write,

$$\mathbf{A} = A_{ij} \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j = \bar{A}_{ij} \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i \otimes \bar{\mathbf{e}}_j.$$

which follows that,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{A}_{ij} &= \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i \cdot \mathbf{A} \bar{\mathbf{e}}_j = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{e}_j) \\ &\Rightarrow Q_{mi} \mathbf{e}_m \cdot \mathbf{A} Q_{nj} \mathbf{e}_n = Q_{mi} Q_{nj} \mathbf{e}_m \cdot \mathbf{A} \mathbf{e}_n \\ &\Rightarrow Q_{mi} Q_{nj} A_{mn} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\bar{A}_{ij} = Q_{mi} Q_{nj} A_{mn}$ which is the transformation law for second order tensor. In the matrix form it can be written as

$$[\bar{\mathbf{A}}] = [\mathbf{Q}]^T [\mathbf{A}] [\mathbf{Q}]$$

The transformation law can be generalized to a n^{th} order tensor \mathbf{A} as,

$$\bar{A}_{i_1 i_2 i_3 \dots i_n} = Q_{m_1 i_1} Q_{m_2 i_2} Q_{m_3 i_3} \dots Q_{m_n i_n} A_{m_1 m_2 m_3 \dots m_n}$$

Invariants of a tensor

For a second order tensor \mathbf{A} following can be defined,

$$I_1(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr} \mathbf{A} = A_{ii}$$

$$I_2(\mathbf{A}) = \frac{1}{2} [(\text{tr} \mathbf{A})^2 - \text{tr} \mathbf{A}^2] = \frac{1}{2} (A_{ii} A_{jj} - A_{ij} A_{ji})$$

$$I_3(\mathbf{A}) = \det \mathbf{A} = e_{ijk} A_{1i} A_{2j} A_{3k}$$

I_1, I_2, I_3 are three invariants of tensor \mathbf{A} , as they remain constant with transformation of tensor.

Here, we can introduce Cayley-Hamilton equation, which states every second order tensor \mathbf{A} will satisfy the following equation (called characteristic equation of \mathbf{A})

$$\mathbf{A}^3 - I_1 \mathbf{A}^2 + I_2 \mathbf{A} - I_3 \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{O}.$$

Tensor functions

Tensor functions have *one or more tensor variables* as argument and their values are *scalars, vectors or tensors*.

For example: $\Phi(\mathbf{A})$, $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{A})$, $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A})$ are scalar-valued, vector-valued and tensor-valued *tensor functions* of one tensor variable \mathbf{A} , respectively.

Similarly, $\Phi(\mathbf{v})$, $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{v})$, $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{v})$ are scalar-valued, vector-valued and tensor-valued *vector functions* of one vector variable, respectively.

In general, we will call all those functions, whose arguments are tensors, vectors or scalars as *tensor functions*.

Tensor functions

Usual rules of differentiation apply to tensor function of one scalar variable
For e.g. to find the derivative of \mathbf{A}^{-1} , where \mathbf{A} is a function of scalar variable t , we use the identity,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\frac{D}{Dt}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{D}{Dt}\mathbf{I}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{A}\dot{\mathbf{A}}^{-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}\dot{\mathbf{A}}^{-1} = -\dot{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{A}}^{-1} = -\mathbf{A}^{-1}\dot{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

Notice that usual chain rule of differentiation is applied in the above derivation.

Gradient of a scalar function of tensor variable can be obtained by realizing that $\phi(\mathbf{A}) = \phi(A_{11}, A_{12}, A_{13} \dots)$, so that the total derivation of ϕ is given as,

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\phi &= \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial A_{11}} dA_{11} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial A_{12}} dA_{12} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial A_{13}} dA_{13} \dots \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial A_{ij}} dA_{ij} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{A}} : d\mathbf{A} \\
 &\Rightarrow \dot{\phi} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{A}} : \dot{\mathbf{A}}
 \end{aligned}$$

where, $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial A_{ij}} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{e}_j$ is a second order tensor called the gradient of ϕ .

Similarly for a tensor function of tensor variable, we can write,

$$\begin{aligned}
 dF_{ij} &= \frac{\partial F_{ij}}{\partial A_{mn}} dA_{mn} \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} : d\mathbf{A} \\
 &\Rightarrow \dot{\mathbf{F}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} : \dot{\mathbf{A}}
 \end{aligned}$$

where, the gradient of \mathbf{F} , $\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \frac{\partial F_{ij}}{\partial A_{mn}} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{e}_j \mathbf{e}_m \mathbf{e}_n$ is a fourth order tensor.

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Examples

Example 10:

If \mathbf{A} is a second order invertible tensor then show that,

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} : \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{-1}.$$

We start from the fact that,

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^{-1})}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = \frac{\partial (A_{im} A_{mj}^{-1})}{\partial A_{kl}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial A_{im}}{\partial A_{kl}} A_{mj}^{-1} + A_{im} \frac{\partial A_{mj}^{-1}}{\partial A_{kl}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{im} \frac{\partial A_{mj}^{-1}}{\partial A_{kl}} = -\delta_{ik} \delta_{ml} A_{mj}^{-1}$$

Multiplying bothside by A_{ni}^{-1}

$$\Rightarrow A_{ni}^{-1} A_{im} \frac{\partial A_{mj}^{-1}}{\partial A_{kl}} = -A_{ni}^{-1} \delta_{ik} \delta_{ml} A_{mj}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta_{nm} \frac{\partial A_{mj}^{-1}}{\partial A_{kl}} = -A_{nk}^{-1} A_{lj}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial A_{nj}^{-1}}{\partial A_{kl}} = -A_{nk}^{-1} A_{lj}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial A_{nj}^{-1}}{\partial A_{kl}} B_{kl} = -A_{nk}^{-1} B_{kl} A_{lj}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} : \mathbf{B} = -\mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

Examples

Example 11:

Show that,

$$\frac{\partial \det \mathbf{A}}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = (\mathbf{A}^T)^2 - I_1 \mathbf{A}^T + I_2 \mathbf{I}.$$

We first find,

$$I_1 = \text{tr} \mathbf{A} = A_{ii}$$

$$\frac{\partial I_1}{\partial A_{mn}} = \frac{\partial A_{ii}}{\partial A_{mn}} = \delta_{im} \delta_{in} = \delta_{mn} = \mathbf{I}$$

also,

$$I_2 = \frac{1}{2} [(\text{tr} \mathbf{A})^2 - \text{tr} \mathbf{A}^2] = \frac{1}{2} (A_{ii} A_{jj} - A_{ij} A_{ji})$$

$$\frac{\partial I_2}{\partial A_{mn}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial A_{ii}}{\partial A_{mn}} A_{jj} + A_{ii} \frac{\partial A_{jj}}{\partial A_{mn}} - \frac{\partial A_{ij}}{\partial A_{mn}} A_{ji} - \frac{\partial A_{ji}}{\partial A_{mn}} A_{ij} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (\delta_{im} \delta_{in} A_{jj} + A_{ii} \delta_{jm} \delta_{jn} - \delta_{im} \delta_{jn} A_{ji} - \delta_{jm} \delta_{in} A_{ij})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} (\delta_{mn} A_{jj} + A_{ii} \delta_{mn} - A_{nm} - A_{nm}) = A_{ii} \delta_{mn} - A_{nm} = I_1 \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}^T$$

Examples

Now, We start with the Cayley- Hamilton equation,

$$\mathbf{A}^3 - I_1 \mathbf{A}^2 + I_2 \mathbf{A} - I_3 \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{O}$$

$$A_{ip}A_{pq}A_{qj} - I_1 A_{ip}A_{pj} + I_2 A_{ij} - I_3 \delta_{ij} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (A_{ip}A_{pq}A_{qj} - I_1 A_{ip}A_{pj} + I_2 A_{ij} - I_3 \delta_{ij}) \delta_{ij} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A_{ip}A_{pq}A_{qi} - I_1 A_{ip}A_{pi} + I_2 A_{ii} - I_3 \delta_{ii} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3I_3 = A_{ip}A_{pq}A_{qi} - I_1 A_{ip}A_{pi} + I_2 I_1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial A_{mn}} = \delta_{im} \delta_{pn} A_{pq} A_{qi} + \delta_{pm} \delta_{qn} A_{ip} A_{qi} + \delta_{qm} \delta_{in} A_{ip} A_{pq} -$$

$$\frac{\partial I_1}{\partial A_{mn}} A_{ip} A_{pi} - I_1 \delta_{im} \delta_{pn} A_{pi} - I_1 \delta_{pm} \delta_{in} A_{ip} + \frac{I_2}{\partial A_{mn}} I_1 + I_2 \frac{\partial I_1}{\partial A_{mn}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial A_{mn}} = A_{nq} A_{qm} + A_{im} A_{ni} + A_{np} A_{pm} - \delta_{mn} A_{ip} A_{pi} - I_1 A_{nm} - I_1 A_{nm} + \frac{I_2}{\partial A_{mn}} I_1 + I_2 \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial A_{mn}} = A_{qm} A_{nq} + A_{im} A_{ni} + A_{pm} A_{np} - \delta_{mn} A_{ip} A_{pi} - 2I_1 A_{nm} + \frac{\partial I_2}{\partial A_{mn}} I_1 + I_2 \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial A_{mn}} = 3A_{qm} A_{nq} - \delta_{mn} \text{tr} \mathbf{A}^2 - 2I_1 A_{nm} + (I_1 \delta_{mn} - A_{nm}) I_1 + I_2 \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial A_{mn}} = 3A_{qm} A_{nq} + \delta_{mn} (I_1^2 - \text{tr} \mathbf{A}^2) - 2I_1 A_{nm} - A_{nm} I_1 + I_2 \delta_{mn}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial A_{mn}} = 3A_{qm} A_{nq} + 2I_2 \delta_{mn} - 3I_1 A_{nm} + I_2 \delta_{mn} = 3(A_{qm} A_{nq} + I_2 \delta_{mn} - I_1 A_{nm})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial I_3}{\partial \mathbf{A}} = (\mathbf{A}^T)^2 + 2I_2 \mathbf{I} - I_1 \mathbf{A}^T$$

Gradient, Curl and Divergence of a vector field

Different operation of ∇ operator are governed by following rules:

$$\nabla \cdot (\bullet) = \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_i} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i, \quad \nabla \times (\bullet) = \mathbf{e}_i \times \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_i}, \quad \nabla \otimes (\bullet) = \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_i} \otimes \mathbf{e}_i.$$

Following above rules, following are defined.

Divergence of a vector field \mathbf{u} ,

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x_i} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i = \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_m \cdot \mathbf{e}_i = \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \delta_{mi} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i}.$$

Curl of a vector field \mathbf{u} ,

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{e}_i \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x_i} = \mathbf{e}_i \times \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_m = \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_i \times \mathbf{e}_m.$$

Gradient, Curl and Divergence of a vector field

Gradient of a vector field \mathbf{u} ,

$$\nabla \otimes \mathbf{u} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x_i} \otimes \mathbf{e}_i = \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_m \otimes \mathbf{e}_i.$$

In matrix notations,

$$[\nabla \otimes \mathbf{u}] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_3} \\ \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_3} \\ \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Transposed gradient of a vector field \mathbf{u} ,

$$\mathbf{u} \otimes \nabla = \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial u_m}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_m.$$

Laplacian and Hessian

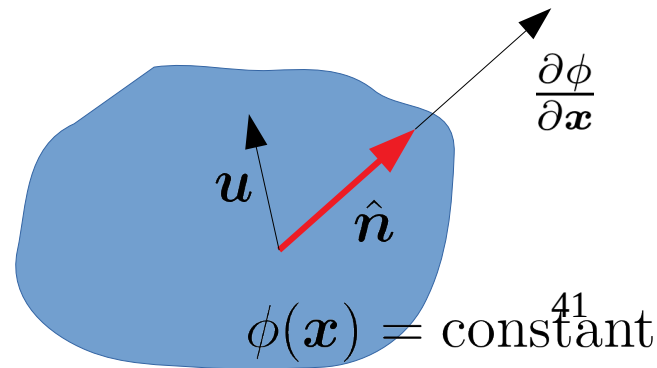
∇ operator dotted with itself gives *Laplacian* as,

$$\nabla \cdot \nabla(\bullet) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_i \cdot \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_j} \mathbf{e}_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_j} \delta_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2(\bullet)}{\partial x_i^2} = \nabla^2(\bullet).$$

Similarly, $\nabla \otimes \nabla$ gives *Hessian* as,

$$\nabla \otimes \nabla(\bullet) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_j} \mathbf{e}_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial(\bullet)}{\partial x_j} \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j = \frac{\partial^2(\bullet)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \mathbf{e}_i \otimes \mathbf{e}_j.$$

An important concept of *directional derivative* can be introduced here. $\nabla\phi \cdot \mathbf{u}$ is the directional derivative of ϕ with respect to \mathbf{x} in the direction of vector \mathbf{u} .



Examples

Example 12:

If $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = x_1x_2x_3\mathbf{e}_1 + x_1x_2\mathbf{e}_2 + x_1\mathbf{e}_3$, then determine $\nabla\mathbf{u}$, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$, and $\nabla^2\mathbf{u}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i \\ &\Rightarrow (x_2x_3\mathbf{e}_1 + x_2\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3) \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 + (x_1x_3\mathbf{e}_1 + x_1\mathbf{e}_2) \cdot \mathbf{e}_2 + (x_1x_2\mathbf{e}_1) \cdot \mathbf{e}_3 \\ &\Rightarrow x_2x_3 + x_1\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla\mathbf{u} &= \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{e}_j \\ &\Rightarrow x_2x_3\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_1 + x_1x_3\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_2 + x_1x_2\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_3 \\ &\quad + x_2\mathbf{e}_2\mathbf{e}_1 + x_1\mathbf{e}_2\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3\mathbf{e}_1\end{aligned}$$

In matrix notations,

$$[\nabla\mathbf{u}] = \begin{bmatrix} x_2x_3 & x_1x_3 & x_1x_2 \\ x_2 & x_1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\nabla^2 u &= \nabla \cdot \nabla u = \frac{\partial \nabla u}{\partial x_i} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i \\
&\Rightarrow (x_3 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_2 + x_2 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_3 + \mathbf{e}_2 \mathbf{e}_2) \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 + (x_3 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + x_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_3 + \mathbf{e}_2 \mathbf{e}_1) \cdot \mathbf{e}_2 \\
&+ (x_2 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1 + x_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_2) \cdot \mathbf{e}_3 \\
&\Rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

Problem Set

Problem 1: Given that $T_{ij} = 2\mu E_{ij} + \delta_{ij} E_{kk}$. Find $T_{mn} E_{mn}$.

Problem 2: Show that (i) $e_{ijk} e_{ijk} = 6$, (ii) $e_{ijp} e_{ijq} = 2\delta_{pq}$.

Problem 3: Using the properties of ∇ operator, prove that

(i) $\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{u}) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{A} : \nabla \mathbf{u}$

(ii) $\nabla (\phi \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{u} \otimes \nabla \phi + \phi \nabla \mathbf{u}$

Problem 4: Show that

$$\int_S \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{A} \mathbf{n} \, dS = \int_V \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{u} \, dV$$

Problem 5: The most general form of a fourth-order isotropic tensor can be expressed by

$$\alpha \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \beta \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \gamma \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}$$

where α , β , and γ are arbitrary constants. Verify that this form remains the same under the general transformation.

Problem Set

Problem 6:

Provided that \mathbf{T} is symmetric, show that $\text{tr}(\nabla \times \mathbf{T}) = 0$.

Problem 7:

Let a new right-handed Cartesian coordinate system be represented by the set $\{\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i\}$ of basis vectors with transformation law, $\bar{\mathbf{e}}_2 = -\sin \theta \mathbf{e}_1 + \cos \theta \mathbf{e}_2$ and $\bar{\mathbf{e}}_3 = \mathbf{e}_3$.

The origin of the new coordinate system coincides with the old origin.

(a) Find $\bar{\mathbf{e}}_1$ in terms of the old set $\{\mathbf{e}_i\}$ of basis vectors.

(b) Find the orthogonal matrix $[\mathbf{Q}]$ and express the new coordinates in terms of the old one.

(c) Express the vector $\mathbf{u} = -6\mathbf{e}_1 - 3\mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_3$ in terms of the new set $\{\bar{\mathbf{e}}_i\}$ of basis vectors.

Problem 8:

Proof that $\nabla \times (\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}) = u(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) - v(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + (\nabla u)\mathbf{v} - (\nabla v)\mathbf{u}$.