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MM-Assignment - 4
Part 2

Q1 Let $A_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r}$ be a general mixed tensor of rank $(r+s)$, type (r,s) in a coordinate system x^i ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$)

Let x^i be transformed to \bar{x}^i , then \bar{x}^i transformed to \tilde{x}^i

For first transformation:-

$$\bar{A}_{q_1 q_2 \dots q_s}^{p_1 p_2 \dots p_r} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{p_1}}{\partial x^{m_1}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{p_2}}{\partial x^{m_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{p_r}}{\partial x^{m_r}} \times \frac{\partial x^{n_1}}{\partial \bar{x}^{q_1}} \times \frac{\partial x^{n_2}}{\partial \bar{x}^{q_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial x^{n_s}}{\partial \bar{x}^{q_s}} \times A_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_s}^{m_1 m_2 \dots m_r} \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

For second transformation:- $\tilde{A}_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r}$

$$\tilde{A}_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r} = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{i_1}}{\partial \bar{x}^{p_1}} \times \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{i_2}}{\partial \bar{x}^{p_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{i_r}}{\partial \bar{x}^{p_r}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_1}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{j_1}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_2}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{j_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_s}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{j_s}} \times \bar{A}_{q_1 q_2 \dots q_s}^{p_1 p_2 \dots p_r} \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

Substituting $\bar{A}_{q_1 q_2 \dots q_s}^{p_1 p_2 \dots p_r}$ from (1) in (2) we get

$$\tilde{A}_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r} = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{i_1}}{\partial x^{m_1}} \times \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{i_2}}{\partial x^{m_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{i_r}}{\partial x^{m_r}} \times \frac{\partial x^{n_1}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{j_1}} \times \frac{\partial x^{n_2}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{j_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial x^{n_s}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{j_s}} \times A_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_s}^{m_1 m_2 \dots m_r}$$

The above equation is the law of transformation of mixed tensor from x^i to \tilde{x}^i

Hence, eq^{ns} of transformation of a mixed tensor possess the group property. Hence Proved.

Q2 Let $A_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r}$ be of type (r,s) & $B_{l_1 l_2 \dots l_{s'}}^{k_1 k_2 \dots k_{r'}}$ be of type (r',s')
We know,

$$\bar{A}_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_1}}{\partial x^{p_1}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_2}}{\partial x^{p_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_r}}{\partial x^{p_r}} \times \frac{\partial x^{q_1}}{\partial \bar{x}^{j_1}} \times \frac{\partial x^{q_2}}{\partial \bar{x}^{j_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial x^{q_s}}{\partial \bar{x}^{j_s}} \times A_{q_1 q_2 \dots q_s}^{p_1 p_2 \dots p_r}$$

$$\tilde{B}_{l_1 l_2 \dots l_{s'}}^{k_1 k_2 \dots k_{r'}} = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{k_1}}{\partial x^{m_1}} \times \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{k_2}}{\partial x^{m_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{k_{r'}}}{\partial x^{m_{r'}}} \times \frac{\partial x^{n_1}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{l_1}} \times \frac{\partial x^{n_2}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{l_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial x^{n_{s'}}}{\partial \tilde{x}^{l_{s'}}} \times B_{n_1 n_2 \dots n_{s'}}^{m_1 m_2 \dots m_{r'}}$$

Multiplying the above two eq^s, we get

$$\bar{C}_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r k_1 \dots k_r' j_1 j_2 \dots j_s l_1 \dots l_s'} = \bar{A}_{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s} \times \bar{B}_{k_1 \dots k_r' l_1 \dots l_s'}$$

$$\text{Let } C_{p_1 \dots p_r m_1 \dots m_r' q_1 \dots q_s n_1 \dots n_s'} = A_{p_1 \dots p_r q_1 \dots q_s} \times B_{m_1 \dots m_r' n_1 \dots n_s'}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \bar{C}_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r k_1 \dots k_r' j_1 j_2 \dots j_s l_1 \dots l_s'} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_1}}{\partial x^{p_1}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_2}}{\partial x^{p_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_r}}{\partial x^{p_r}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_1'}}{\partial x^{m_1'}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_r'}}{\partial x^{m_r'}} \times$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_1}}{\partial x^{j_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_s}}{\partial x^{j_s}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{n_1'}}{\partial x^{l_1'}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{n_s'}}{\partial x^{l_s'}} \times C_{p_1 \dots p_r m_1 \dots m_r' q_1 \dots q_s n_1 \dots n_s'}$$

The above eqⁿ is the law of transformation of a mixed tensor of rank $r+r'+s+s'$ of type (r, r', s, s')

Thus, product of tensors of types (r, s) & (r', s') is a tensor of type $(r+r', s+s')$.

Hence Proved.

Q3

We know that product of tensors of types (r, s) & (r', s') is a tensor of type $(r+r', s+s')$. We also know that vector is a tensor of rank 1, thus it is either $(1, 0)$ or $(0, 1)$ depending on whether it is contravariant or covariant.

Case 1 :- Consider 2 contravariant vectors (type $(1, 0)$)

Open product of vectors is of type $(1+1, 0+0)$ i.e. $(2, 0)$

Thus, rank of product is $2+0=2$.

Case 2 :- Consider 2 covariant vectors (type $(0, 1)$)

Open product of vectors is of type $(0+0, 1+1)$ i.e. $(0, 2)$

Thus rank of product is $2+0=2$

Case 3 :- Consider vectors of 2 different types

Open product of vectors is of type $(1+0, 0+1)$ i.e. $(1, 1)$

Thus rank of product is $1+1=2$

Hence proved that the product of 2 vectors is of rank = 2

But the converse is not true. Not every tensor of rank 2 can be expressed as product of 2 vectors tensors.

Consider e_1, e_2 and let us build a tensor: $e_1 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2$

let us suppose, vectors $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$ & $\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$ are such that

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1 e_1 + a_2 e_2) \otimes (b_1 e_1 + b_2 e_2) &= e_1 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2 \\ \Rightarrow a_1 b_1 (e_1 \otimes e_1) + a_2 b_2 (e_2 \otimes e_2) &+ a_1 b_2 (e_1 \otimes e_2) + a_2 b_1 (e_2 \otimes e_1) \\ &= e_1 \otimes e_1 + e_2 \otimes e_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_1 b_1 = 1 = a_2 b_2 \Rightarrow a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2 \neq 0 \text{ from above}$$

but again, $a_1 b_2$ has to be zero along with $a_2 b_1$ to satisfy the R.H.S

It is not possible. Thus, $e_1 \otimes e_2 + e_2 \otimes e_1$ is a counter example. Hence proved that the converse is not true

Q4 let $A_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r}$ be of rank $(r+s)$ & $B_{l_1 l_2 \dots l_n}^{k_1 k_2 \dots k_m}$ be of rank $(m+n)$

We know

$$\bar{A}_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_s}^{i_1 i_2 \dots i_r} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_1}}{\partial x^{p_1}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_2}}{\partial x^{p_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_r}}{\partial x^{p_r}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_1}}{\partial x^{j_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_s}}{\partial x^{j_s}} \times A_{q_1 \dots q_s}^{p_1 \dots p_r}$$

$$\bar{B}_{l_1 l_2 \dots l_n}^{k_1 k_2 \dots k_m} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_1}}{\partial x^{d_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_m}}{\partial x^{d_m}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{b_1}}{\partial x^{l_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{b_n}}{\partial x^{l_n}} \times B_{b_1 \dots b_n}^{d_1 \dots d_m}$$

$$\text{let, } \bar{C}_{j_1 \dots j_s l_1 \dots l_n}^{i_1 \dots i_r k_1 \dots k_m} = \bar{A}_{j_1 \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_r} \times \bar{B}_{l_1 \dots l_n}^{k_1 \dots k_m} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_1}}{\partial x^{p_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{i_r}}{\partial x^{p_r}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_1}}{\partial x^{d_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{k_m}}{\partial x^{d_m}} \times$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_1}}{\partial x^{j_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{q_s}}{\partial x^{j_s}} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{b_1}}{\partial x^{l_1}} \times \dots \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^{b_n}}{\partial x^{l_n}} \times C_{q_1 \dots q_s b_1 \dots b_n}^{p_1 \dots p_r d_1 \dots d_m}$$

$$\text{where } C_{q_1 \dots q_s b_1 \dots b_n}^{p_1 \dots p_r d_1 \dots d_m} = A_{q_1 \dots q_s}^{p_1 \dots p_r} \times B_{b_1 \dots b_n}^{d_1 \dots d_m}$$

The above equation is the law of transformation of a mixed tensor of rank $(r+s+m+n)$ which is the sum of ranks of tensors whose outer product is taken. Hence, proved.

Q5 $A_k^p \rightarrow \text{rank } 2, \text{ type } (1,1)$
 $B_t^{rs} \rightarrow \text{rank } 3, \text{ type } (2,1)$

We know,

$$\bar{A}_j^i = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^i}{\partial x^p} \times \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial \bar{x}^j} \times A_k^p \quad \left| \quad \bar{B}_m^{kl} = \frac{\partial \bar{x}^k}{\partial x^p} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^l}{\partial x^s} \times \frac{\partial x^t}{\partial \bar{x}^m} \times B_t^{ps} \right.$$

Now, $k=j$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Multiplying} \rightarrow \bar{A}_j^i \bar{B}_m^{kl} &= \frac{\partial \bar{x}^i}{\partial x^p} \times \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial \bar{x}^j} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^j}{\partial x^q} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^l}{\partial x^s} \times \frac{\partial x^t}{\partial \bar{x}^m} \times A_k^p \times B_t^{qs} \\ &= \frac{\partial \bar{x}^i}{\partial x^p} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^l}{\partial x^s} \times \frac{\partial x^t}{\partial \bar{x}^m} \times \delta_q^p \times A_k^p \times B_t^{qs} \\ &\quad \left[\text{as } \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial x^q} = \delta_q^k, \text{ now } \delta_q^k B_t^{qs} = B_t^{ks} \right] \\ &= \frac{\partial \bar{x}^i}{\partial x^p} \times \frac{\partial \bar{x}^l}{\partial x^s} \times \frac{\partial x^t}{\partial \bar{x}^m} \times A_k^p \times B_t^{ks} \end{aligned}$$

The above equation is the law of transformation of a mixed tensor of rank 3. Hence proved.

Q6 We know g_{ij} can be written as

$$g_{ij} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(g_{ij} + g_{ji})}_{\text{symmetric}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(g_{ij} - g_{ji})}_{\text{skew-symmetric}} = A_{ij} + B_{ij}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } g_{ij} dx^i dx^j = (A_{ij} + B_{ij}) dx^i dx^j \Rightarrow (g_{ij} - A_{ij}) dx^i dx^j = B_{ij} dx^i dx^j \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Interchanging dummy indices in $B_{ij} dx^i dx^j$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} B_{ij} dx^i dx^j &= B_{ji} dx^j dx^i \Rightarrow B_{ij} dx^i dx^j = -B_{ij} dx^i dx^j \quad (\text{as } B_{ij} \text{ is skew-symmetric}) \\ \Rightarrow 2B_{ij} dx^i dx^j &= 0 \Rightarrow B_{ij} dx^i dx^j = 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

from $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$

$$(g_{ij} - A_{ij}) dx^i dx^j = 0 \Rightarrow g_{ij} = A_{ij} \Rightarrow g_{ij} \text{ is symmetric}$$

Hence, g_{ij} is a covariant symmetric tensor of rank 2, i.e. it will have n^2 components out of which n components (g_{11}, \dots, g_{nn}) are independent at max. As g_{ij} is symmetric,

half of the remaining $(n^2 - n)$ components are independent at max. (As $g_{12} = g_{21}$, $g_{23} = g_{32}$,)

Thus, total no. of independent components of g_{ij} of the metric tensor cannot ~~exceed~~ exceed $n + \frac{n^2 - n}{2} = \frac{n^2 + n}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Hence, proved