

Understanding of indices in some famous equations

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Vector & Tensor

- A vector is described as

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{u} &= u_i \underline{e}_i \\ &= u_1 \underline{e}_1 + u_2 \underline{e}_2 + u_3 \underline{e}_3\end{aligned}$$

Note on summation convention:

1. Each index runs over 1, 2, 3
2. Free index emerges only once
3. Dummy index emerges twice and twice only

- A 2nd order tensor is a result of dyadic product of 2 vectors

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{T} &= \underline{u} \otimes \underline{v} = T_{ij} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j \\ T_{ij} &= u_i v_j\end{aligned}$$

- A tensor may have higher order, i.e. 3rd order, 4th order,...

Why Tensor?

The title 'Why Tensor?' is positioned on the left. To its right, there are two groups of three circles each. The first group has a solid light purple circle, a white circle with a light purple outline, and another solid light purple circle. The second group also has a solid light purple circle, a white circle with a light purple outline, and another solid light purple circle.

- Materials in nature are deformable. A scalar or a vector cannot represent deformation. In order to describe and understand various modes of deformation a tensor is needed to represent **deformation state**.
- Inside a deforming material body, there emerges interacting contact area forces due to resistance of the material body to deformation. This contact force on each area element can be determined by applying a *transformation-like* quantity on the normal vector of the element area. This transformation-like quantity represents the **stress state** and is called **stress tensor**.

Some basic operations

- Kronecker delta notation

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, i = j \\ 0, i \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j$$

$$\underline{H}_{\dots i \dots} \delta_{ij} = \underline{H}_{\dots j \dots}$$

- Dot-product of 2 vectors

$$\underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} = (u_i \underline{e}_i) \cdot (v_j \underline{e}_j)$$

$$= u_i v_j \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = u_i v_j \delta_{ij}$$

$$= u_i v_i$$

Rules of 1-dot product:

1. Find out 1 pair of neighboring basic vectors
2. Multiply this pair of vectors

Some basic operations

- Dot-product of a tensor and a vector

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{T}.\underline{u} &= \left(T_{ij}\underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j\right) \cdot \left(u_k \underline{e}_k\right) \\ &= T_{ij}u_k \left(\underline{e}_j \cdot \underline{e}_k\right) \underline{e}_i \\ &= T_{ij}u_k \delta_{jk} \underline{e}_i = T_{ij}u_j \underline{e}_i\end{aligned}$$

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Some basic operations

- Dot-product between a 4th order tensor and a 2nd order tensor

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{C} : \underline{S} &= \left(C_{ijkl} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j \otimes \underline{e}_k \otimes \underline{e}_l \right) : \left(S_{ab} \underline{e}_a \otimes \underline{e}_b \right) \\ &= C_{ijkl} S_{ab} \delta_{ka} \delta_{lb} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j \\ &= C_{ijkl} S_{kl} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j \\ &= T_{ij} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j\end{aligned}$$

Rules of 2-dot product:

1. Find out 2 pairs of neighboring basic vectors
2. Multiply these 2 pairs by order

Gradient and Divergence

- Nabla operator

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla &= \underline{e}_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} = \underline{e}_i \partial_i \\ &= \underline{e}_1 \partial_1 + \underline{e}_2 \partial_2 + \underline{e}_3 \partial_3\end{aligned}$$

- Gradient of a scalar

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla f &= \underline{e}_i \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} = \underline{e}_i \partial_i f = \underline{e}_i f_{,i} \\ &= \underline{e}_1 f_{,1} + \underline{e}_2 f_{,2} + \underline{e}_3 f_{,3}\end{aligned}$$

- Gradient of a vector

$$\nabla \underline{u} = (\underline{e}_i \partial_i) (u_j \underline{e}_j) = u_{j,i} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j$$

- Divergence of a vector

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \underline{u} &= (\underline{e}_i \partial_i) \cdot (u_j \underline{e}_j) = u_{j,i} \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{e}_j = u_{i,i} \\ &= u_{1,1} + u_{2,2} + u_{3,3}\end{aligned}$$

Gradient and Divergence

- Divergence of a 2nd order tensor

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \underline{T} &= (\underline{e}_a \partial_a) \cdot (T_{ij} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j) \\ &= \partial_a T_{ij} \delta_{ai} \underline{e}_j = \partial_i T_{ij} \underline{e}_j = T_{ij,i} \underline{e}_j\end{aligned}$$

Application

Linear Elasticity

Essential variable: Displacement
 $\underline{\mathbf{u}}$

Kinematics:

$$\underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla \underline{\mathbf{u}} + \underline{\mathbf{u}}\nabla)$$
$$\underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{j,i} + u_{i,j})\underline{\mathbf{e}}_i \otimes \underline{\mathbf{e}}_j$$
$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{j,i} + u_{i,j})$$

Groundwater Flow

Water pressure
 p

$$\underline{\mathbf{l}} = -\nabla p$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{l}} = -\underline{\mathbf{e}}_i p_{,i}$$

$$l_i = -p_{,i}$$

Notation: ε – linear strain tensor, \mathbf{l} – pressure gradient vector

Application

Linear Elasticity

Constitutive: Hooke's law

$$\underline{\sigma} = \underline{E} : \underline{\varepsilon}$$

$$\underline{\sigma} = E_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = E_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl}$$

Groundwater Flow

Darcy's law

$$\underline{q} = \underline{K} \cdot \underline{I}$$

$$\underline{q} = K_{ij} \cdot I_j \underline{e}_i$$

$$q_i = K_{ij} \cdot I_j$$

Notation: E – 4th order **material tensor**, K – 2nd order **permeability tensor**
σ – 2nd order **stress tensor**, q – **Darcy's flux vector**

Application

Linear Elasticity

Equilibrium: $\nabla \cdot \underline{\sigma} + \underline{f} = 0$

$$\sigma_{ij,i} \underline{e}_j + f_j \underline{e}_j = 0$$

$$\sigma_{ij,i} + f_j = 0$$

Groundwater Flow

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{q} = Q$$

$$q_{i,i} = Q$$

Notation: \underline{f} – force vector, Q – Recharge

The End

Thank you for listening!