

Isotropic Functions

Functions that are frame indifferent are also called Isotropic Functions

For two reference frames related by a rigid body rotation \underline{Q} we have:

$$\phi(\theta) = \phi(\theta) \quad \phi(\underline{Q}\underline{v}) = \phi(\underline{v}) \quad \phi(\underline{Q}\underline{S}\underline{Q}^T) = \phi(\underline{S})$$

$$\underline{u}(\theta) = \underline{Q}\underline{u}(\theta) \quad \underline{u}(\underline{Q}\underline{v}) = \underline{Q}\underline{u}(\underline{v}) \quad \underline{u}(\underline{Q}\underline{S}\underline{Q}^T) = \underline{Q}\underline{u}(\underline{S})$$

$$\underline{\delta}(\theta) = \underline{Q}\underline{\delta}(\theta)\underline{Q}^T \quad \underline{\delta}(\underline{Q}\underline{v}) = \underline{Q}\underline{\delta}(\underline{v})\underline{Q}^T \quad \underline{\delta}(\underline{Q}\underline{S}\underline{Q}^T) = \underline{Q}\underline{\delta}(\underline{S})\underline{Q}^T$$

ϕ = scalar fun. \underline{u} = vector val. fun. $\underline{\delta}$ = tensor val fun.

θ = scalar \underline{v} = vector \underline{S} = tensor

Examples: 1) $\phi(\underline{S}) = \det(\underline{S})$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\underline{Q}\underline{S}\underline{Q}^T) &= \det(\underline{Q}\underline{S}\underline{Q}^T) = \det(\underline{Q}) \det(\underline{S}) \det(\underline{Q}^T) \\ &= \det(\underline{S}) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

2) $\underline{u}(\underline{v}, \underline{A}) = \underline{A}\underline{v}$

$$\underline{u}(\underline{Q}\underline{v}, \underline{Q}\underline{A}\underline{Q}^T) = \underline{Q}\underline{A}\underline{Q}^T \underline{Q}\underline{v} = \underline{Q}\underline{A}\underline{v} = \underline{Q}\underline{u}(\underline{v}, \underline{A}) \quad \checkmark$$

Representation of isotropic tensor functions

An isotropic function $\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) : \mathcal{V}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^2$ that maps symmetric tensors to symmetric tensors must have the following form

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \alpha_0(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) \underline{\underline{I}} + \alpha_1(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) \underline{\underline{A}} + \alpha_2(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) \underline{\underline{A}}^2 \quad \text{Rivlin-Ericksen representation Thm}$$

where α_0 , α_1 and α_2 are functions of the set of principal invariants of $\underline{\underline{A}}$, $\underline{\underline{I}}_A = \{\underline{\underline{I}}_1(\underline{\underline{A}}), \underline{\underline{I}}_2(\underline{\underline{A}}), \underline{\underline{I}}_3(\underline{\underline{A}})\}$

- $\underline{\underline{G}}$ is clearly sym. if $\underline{\underline{A}}$ is sym.
- To see $\underline{\underline{G}}$ is isotropic assume $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2 = \text{const}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T) &= \alpha_0 \underline{\underline{I}} + \alpha_1 \underline{\underline{G}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T + \alpha_2 \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T \\ &= \alpha_0 \underline{\underline{I}} + \alpha_1 \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T + \alpha_2 \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}}^2 \underline{\underline{Q}}^T \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) \underline{\underline{Q}}^T = \alpha_0 \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T + \alpha_1 \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T + \alpha_2 \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}}^2 \underline{\underline{Q}}^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{Q}}^T) = \underline{\underline{Q}} \underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) \underline{\underline{Q}}^T$$

isotropic for constant coefficients.

If coefficients $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$ only depend on the invariants of $\underline{\underline{A}}$, then $\underline{\underline{G}}$ remains isotropic.

This is the most general form of a constitutive eqn for an isotropic material.

A second representation can be obtained by eliminating $\underline{\underline{A}}^3$ term using Cayley-Hamilton Thm

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^3 - I_1(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{A}}^2 + I_2(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{A}} - I_3(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{I}} = 0$$

multiply by $\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1}$

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^2 - I_1(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{A}} + I_2(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{I}} - I_3(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1} = 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{A}}^2 = I_1(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{A}} - I_2(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{I}} + I_3(\underline{\underline{A}})\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1}$$

substituting in to $\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}})$

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \beta_0(I_1)\underline{\underline{I}} + \beta_1(I_1)\underline{\underline{A}} + \beta_2(I_1)\underline{\underline{A}}^{-1}$$

$$\beta_0 = \alpha_0 - I_2(\underline{\underline{A}})\alpha_2 \quad \beta_1 = \alpha_1 - I_1(\underline{\underline{A}})\alpha_2 \quad \beta_2 = I_3(\underline{\underline{A}})\alpha_2$$

Second representation is used for hyperelastic materials.

Isotropic Fourth-Order Tensors

If $\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}})$ is a linear function then it can be written as

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \underline{\underline{C}} \underline{\underline{A}}$$

where $\underline{\underline{C}}$ is a fourth-order tensor.

If in addition we require:

1) $\underline{\underline{C}} \underline{\underline{A}} \in \mathcal{V}^2$ is symmetric for every symmetric $\underline{\underline{A}} \in \mathcal{V}^2$

2) $\underline{\underline{C}} \underline{\underline{W}} = \underline{\underline{0}}$ for every skew-symmetric $\underline{\underline{W}} \in \mathcal{V}^2$

Then there are scalars μ and λ such that

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \underline{\underline{C}} \underline{\underline{A}} = \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}}) \underline{\underline{I}} + 2\mu \operatorname{sym}(\underline{\underline{A}}) \quad \text{for all } \underline{\underline{A}} \in \mathcal{V}^2$$

This follows from the representation theorem

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \alpha_0(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) \underline{\underline{I}} + \alpha_1(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) \underline{\underline{A}} + \alpha_2(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) \underline{\underline{A}}^2$$

where $\underline{\underline{I}}_A = \{ \operatorname{tr} \underline{\underline{A}}, \frac{1}{2} [(\operatorname{tr} \underline{\underline{H}})^2 - \operatorname{tr}(\underline{\underline{H}}^2)], \det \underline{\underline{H}} \}$

since $\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}})$ is linear in $\underline{\underline{A}}$ the only possibilities are

$$\alpha_0(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) = c_0 \operatorname{tr} \underline{\underline{A}} + c_1, \quad \alpha_1(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) = c_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_2(\underline{\underline{I}}_A) = 0$$

where c_0 , c_1 and c_2 are scalar constants.

Since $\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{0}}) = \underline{\underline{0}} \Rightarrow c_1 = 0$

Hence setting $c_0 = \lambda$ and $c_2 = 2\lambda$

$$\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \underline{\underline{C}} \underline{\underline{A}} = \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}}) + 2\lambda \underline{\underline{A}}$$

since $\underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{W}}) = 0$ and $\operatorname{tr}(\underline{\underline{W}}) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{G}}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = \underline{\underline{C}} \underline{\underline{A}} = \lambda \operatorname{tr} \underline{\underline{A}} + 2\lambda \operatorname{sym} \underline{\underline{A}} \quad \checkmark$$