

# Lecture 4: Introduction to Tensors

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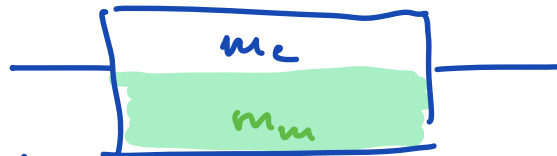
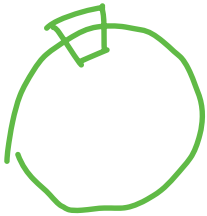
Mon 12-1 pm Afzal on zoom

Tue 4-5 pm Marc on zoom

⇒ links will be posted on website

- post HW 1 today due next Th

Last time: - Hydrostatic eqbm  
- Isostasy



⇒ depth of ocean basins

Force balance:  $\sum \underline{f}_G + \underline{f}_B = (m_c - m_m)g = 0$

- Finished index notation

Permutation symbol:  $\epsilon_{ijk}$

⇒ cross product:  $\underline{c} = \underline{a} \times \underline{b}$

$$c_k = \epsilon_{ijk} a_i b_j$$

$\epsilon$ -identities

$$\epsilon \epsilon \rightarrow \delta \delta - \delta \delta$$

Today: Tensors

# Introduction to Tensors

scalars: quantity  $T(x), p(x)$

vectors: quantity + direction

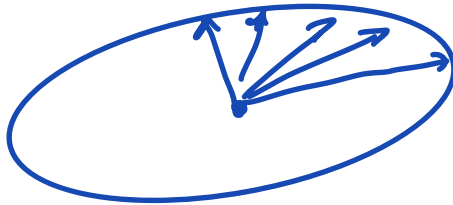
velocity speed + direction

tensors: describes how a quantity changes with direction

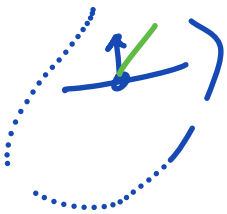
material properties  $\rightarrow$  anisotropy

can be visualized

as ellipsoid



examples: thermal conductivity  
stress and strain



## Second-order Tensors

Linear operators:

$$\underline{v} = \underline{A} \underline{u}$$

maps  $\underline{u}$  into  $\underline{v}$   $\underline{u}, \underline{v} \in V$

Two tensors are equal

$$\underline{A} \underline{v} = \underline{B} \underline{v} \quad \text{for all } \underline{v} \in V$$

Zero tensor:  $\underline{0} \underline{v} = \underline{0}$  for all  $\underline{v} \in V$

Identity tensor:  $\underline{I} \underline{v} = \underline{v}$  for all  $\underline{v} \in V$

### Tensor algebra

$\alpha = \text{scalars}$      $\underline{v} = \text{vector}$      $\underline{A}, \underline{B} = \text{tensors}$

1)  $(\alpha \underline{A}) \underline{v} = \underline{A} (\alpha \underline{v})$  scalar multiplication

2)  $(\underline{A} + \underline{B}) \underline{v} = \underline{A} \underline{v} + \underline{B} \underline{v}$  tensor sum

3)  $(\underline{A} \underline{B}) \underline{v} = \underline{A} (\underline{B} \underline{v})$  tensor product

4) tensor scalar product  $\rightarrow$  later

1+2 imply linearity

1, 2, 3 all give another tensor  $\Rightarrow$  vector space

## Representation of a tensor

frame  $\{e_i\}$

$\underline{\underline{S}}$  is represented by 9 numbers/components

$$S_{ij} = e_i \cdot \underline{\underline{S}} e_j$$

$$S_{12} = e_1 \cdot (\underline{\underline{S}} e_2)$$

Matrix representation

$$[\underline{\underline{S}}] = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{31} & S_{32} & S_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider:  $\underline{v} = \underline{\underline{S}} \underline{u}$

$$\underline{v} = v_k e_k$$

$$\underline{u} = u_j e_j$$

$$\underline{v} = \underline{\underline{S}} \underline{u}$$

$$v_k e_k = \underline{\underline{S}} (u_j e_j) = u_j \underline{\underline{S}} e_j$$

multiply by  $e_i$  from left

$$v_k \underbrace{e_i \cdot e_k}_{\delta_{ik}} = u_j \underbrace{e_i \cdot \underline{\underline{S}} e_j}_{S_{ij}} = S_{ij} u_j$$

$$v_i = S_{ij} u_j$$

$$v_1 = \sum_{j=1}^3 (S_{1j} u_j), \quad v_2 = \sum_{j=1}^3 S_{2j} u_j, \quad v_3 = \sum_{j=1}^3 S_{3j} u_j$$

## Dyadic product

two vectors  $\underline{a}$  &  $\underline{b}$

$$\underline{(\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b})} \underline{v} = (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{v}) \underline{a} \quad \text{for all } \underline{v} \in \mathcal{V}$$

vector

$$\underline{A} \underline{v} = \alpha \underline{a}$$

$$[\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b}]_{ij} \underline{v}_j = b_j \underline{v}_j a_i$$

$$[\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b}]_{ij} \underline{v}_j = (a_i b_j) \underline{v}_j$$

by comparison:  $[\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b}]_{ij} = a_i b_j$

$$[\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 b_1 & a_1 b_2 & a_1 b_3 \\ a_2 b_1 & a_2 b_2 & a_2 b_3 \\ a_3 b_1 & a_3 b_2 & a_3 b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: some books  $\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b} = \underline{a} \underline{b}$   
 have to be careful if all vectors are column vectors

$$\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = \underline{a}^T \underline{b}$$

3-3    3-1

Notes

$$\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b} = \underline{a} \underline{b}^T =$$

2-3    3-1    1-3

Linearity of dyadic product

$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$     vectors  $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{v}, \underline{w} \in \mathcal{V}$

$$(\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b})(\alpha \underline{v} + \beta \underline{w}) = \alpha (\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b}) \underline{v} + \beta (\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b}) \underline{w}$$

$$\underline{A} (\alpha \underline{v} + \beta \underline{w}) = \alpha \underline{A} \underline{v} + \beta \underline{A} \underline{w}$$

Product of dyadic products

$$(\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b})(\underline{c} \otimes \underline{d}) = (\underline{b} \cdot \underline{c}) \underline{a} \otimes \underline{d} \Rightarrow \text{HW}$$

## Basis for $\mathcal{V}^2$

Given frame  $\{\underline{e}_i\}$  the nine dyadic products  $\{\underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j\}$  form basis for  $\mathcal{V}^2$ .

$$\underline{\underline{S}} = s_{ij} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j \quad \text{where} \quad s_{ij} = \underline{e}_i \cdot \underline{\underline{S}} \underline{e}_j$$

$$\underline{\underline{S}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 s_{ij} \underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j$$

$$\underline{e}_1 \otimes \underline{e}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ c & c & 0 \\ c & c & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad 13$$

$$\underline{e}_2 \otimes \underline{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} c & c & c \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ c & c & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{v} = \underline{\underline{S}} \underline{u} \quad \underline{v} = v_i \underline{e}_i \quad \underline{u} = u_k \underline{e}_k$$

$$v_i \underline{e}_i = s_{ij} (\underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j) (u_k \underline{e}_k)$$

$$= s_{ij} u_k (\underline{e}_i \otimes \underline{e}_j) \underline{e}_k$$

apply dyadic prop.

$$= s_{ij} u_k \underbrace{(\underline{e}_j \cdot \underline{e}_k)}_{\delta_{jk}} \underline{e}_i$$

$$= s_{ij} u_k \delta_{jk} \underline{e}_i$$

trans for prop

$$v_i e_i = S_{ij} u_j e_i \Rightarrow \boxed{v_i = S_{ij} u_j}$$

### Tensor algebra in components

Tensor addition:  $\underline{\underline{H}} = \underline{\underline{S}} + \underline{\underline{T}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{H}_{ij} e_i \otimes e_j &= S_{ij} (e_i \otimes e_j) + T_{ij} (e_i \otimes e_j) \\ &= (S_{ij} + T_{ij}) e_i \otimes e_j \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{H_{ij} = S_{ij} + T_{ij}}$$

Tensor product:  $\underline{\underline{H}} = \underline{\underline{S}} \underline{\underline{T}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{H}} &= S_{ij} (e_i \otimes e_j) T_{kl} (e_k \otimes e_l) \\ &= S_{ij} T_{kl} \underbrace{(e_i \otimes e_j) (e_k \otimes e_l)}_{(e_j \cdot e_k) e_i \otimes e_l} \\ &= S_{ij} T_{kl} \underbrace{\delta_{jk}} e_i \otimes e_l \\ &= S_{ij} T_{kl} \delta_{jk} e_i \otimes e_l \end{aligned}$$

$$= S_{ij} T_{jl} e_i \otimes e_l$$

$$\underline{H}_{il} (e_i \otimes e_l) = \underline{S_{ij} T_{jl}} e_i \otimes e_l$$



$$H_{iL} = S_{ij} T_{jL}$$

$$H_{23} = \sum_{j=1}^3 S_{2j} T_{j3}$$

## Transpose of Tensor

$$\underline{\underline{S}} \underline{u} \cdot \underline{v} = \underline{u} \cdot \underline{\underline{S}}^T \underline{v} \quad \text{for all } \underline{u}, \underline{v} \in \mathcal{V}$$

this implies  $S_{ij}^T = S_{ji}$

$$(S_{ij} u_j e_i) \cdot (v_l e_l) = (u_k e_k) \cdot (S_{ij}^T v_j e_i)$$

$$S_{ij} u_j v_l (e_i \cdot e_l) = S_{ij}^T u_k v_j (e_k \cdot e_i)$$

$\delta_{il}$

$\delta_{ki}$

$$S_{ij} u_j v_i = S_{ij}^T u_i v_j$$

$$\underline{S_{ij} u_j v_i} = \underline{S_{ji}^T u_j v_i}$$

rename  $i \rightarrow j$   
 $j \rightarrow i$

$$\Rightarrow S_{ij} = S_{ji}^T$$

## Properties of Transpose

$$\begin{aligned}(\underline{\underline{A}})^T &= \underline{\underline{A}} \\ (\underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{B}})^T &= \underline{\underline{B}}^T \underline{\underline{A}}^T \\ (\underline{\underline{u}} \otimes \underline{\underline{v}})^T &= \underline{\underline{v}} \otimes \underline{\underline{u}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\underline{S}} \text{ is symmetric} & \text{ if } \underline{\underline{S}} = \underline{\underline{S}}^T & S_{ij} &= S_{ji} \\ \underline{\underline{S}} \text{ is skewsym.} & \text{ if } \underline{\underline{S}} = -\underline{\underline{S}}^T & S_{ij} &= -S_{ji}\end{aligned}$$

## Symmetric-Skew decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\underline{S}} &= \underline{\underline{E}} + \underline{\underline{W}} \\ \underline{\underline{E}} &= \frac{1}{2} (\underline{\underline{S}} + \underline{\underline{S}}^T) & \underline{\underline{E}} &= \underline{\underline{E}}^T \\ \underline{\underline{W}} &= \frac{1}{2} (\underline{\underline{S}} - \underline{\underline{S}}^T) & \underline{\underline{W}} &= -\underline{\underline{W}}^T\end{aligned}$$

## Trace of Tensor

$$\text{tr}(\underline{\underline{a}} \otimes \underline{\underline{b}}) = \underline{\underline{a}} \cdot \underline{\underline{b}} = a_i b_i$$

this implies

$$\text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}}) = A_{ii} = A_{11} + A_{22} + A_{33}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}}) &= \text{tr}(A_{ij} \underline{\underline{e}}_i \otimes \underline{\underline{e}}_j) = A_{ij} \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{e}}_i \otimes \underline{\underline{e}}_j) \\
 &= A_{ij} \underbrace{(\underline{\underline{e}}_i \cdot \underline{\underline{e}}_j)}_{\delta_{ij}} \\
 &= A_{ii}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proposition:  $\text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}}^T) = \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}})$

$$\text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}} \underline{\underline{B}}) = \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{B}} \underline{\underline{A}})$$

$$\text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}} + \underline{\underline{B}}) = \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}}) + \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{B}})$$

$$\text{tr}(\alpha \underline{\underline{A}}) = \alpha \text{tr}(\underline{\underline{A}})$$

Still missing: 1) Tensor scalar product  
2) determinant