

For material information, in general co-ordinate system, another important function of the metric tensor is to relate the covariant and contravariant components of a base vector within the given co-ordinate system.

Suppose,

$$g_{jk} = \text{pairwise} = g_{kj} \text{ - symmetric tensor}$$

$$g^{jk} = -g_{kj} \text{ - anti-symmetric tensor.}$$

Co-ordinate system, Base vectors, Covariant & Contravariant

Let ~~two~~ a nonorthogonal co-ordinate system (eg. crystallographic) having ~~base~~ base vectors with distinct magnitudes usually bent or curved,

$$A = a_x i + a_y j + a_z k$$

a_x , a_y & a_z are the components of A along i , j & k that separated $xy(12)$, $xz(13)$ & $yz(23)$ plane.

Considering a point P away from origin in space with a vector v having local basis, we may specify our local basis at P in one of two ways.

(1) setting local axes at P using local co-ordinate curve which parallel to Cartesian co-ordinate axes. Then ~~choose~~ choose a set tangent to each of the local axes at P and call them e_1 , e_2 & e_3 and v specify as a

a linear combination of these three vectors, known as contravariant components of the vector.

(2) setting another three sets of base vectors which are e_1^* , e_2^* & e_3^* ; mutually perpendicular to each other. The linear combination these three ~~base~~ base vectors ~~constitute~~ constitute the vector V , to the local coordinate system; known as covariant components of the vector. omitting 'i' & K .

Three Euclidean geometry that two non-parallel lines intersect at one point

Three Euclidean geometry two non-parallel intersecting lines constitute a plane and each point

Space collections of points with co-ordinates pair. The n -dimensional & m -dimensional space may be used to determine a new unique $(m+n)$ dimensional product space. The product space is only the result of lines or curves. i.e. \rightarrow

(1) Contravariant base vectors related to the curve, usually denoted by superscripts i.e.

$$\{e^1, e^2, e^3\} \rightarrow \text{for } K^3 \text{ system}$$

$$\{e^{1*}, e^{2*}, e^{3*}\} \rightarrow \text{for } K^{3*} \text{ system}$$

(2) Covariant base vectors related to the lines usually denoted by subscripts

$\{e_1, e_2, e_3\} \rightarrow$ for K system

$(e_1^x, e_2^x, e_3^x) \rightarrow$ for K^x in

① The vector V in its contravariant and covariant components is

$$V = V^1 e^1 + V^2 e^2 + V^3 e^3 = v_1 e_1 + v_2 e_2 + v_3 e_3$$

$$V^x = V^{1x} e^{1x} + V^{2x} e^{2x} + V^{3x} e^{3x} = v_1^x e_1^x + v_2^x e_2^x + v_3^x e_3^x$$

② For dyad \underline{g}

Ⓐ Covariant $g_{jk} = e^j \cdot e^k$ | j, k are
1, 2, 3

Ⓑ Contravariant $g^{jk} = e_j \cdot e_k$

x-axis	—	1 axis	—	Plane YZ	→	23 plane
y	"	2	"	"	"	13
z	"	3	"	"	"	12

So, $e_1 = e_1^x$ $e_2 = e_2^x$ $e_3 = e_3^x$

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Kronecker Delta and Identity Matrix

All these information can about contravariant and covariant base or basis vectors may be summarised single equation. Let we must first introduce a particular symbol named as Kronecker's Delta:

(Leopold Kronecker, a German mathematician)

ie $\delta_k^j \rightarrow$ appears to mix covariant and contravariant indices.

$$\delta_k^j = 1 \quad \text{when } j = k$$

$$\delta_k^j = 0 \quad \text{when } j \neq k$$

Now summarise the relationship betⁿ contravariant and covariant base vectors as

$$e^j \cdot e_k = \delta_k^j = e_k \cdot e^j = \delta_j^k$$

$$\text{Thus } \delta_1^1 = 1 \quad \delta_1^2 = 0 \quad \delta_1^3 = 0$$

$$\delta_2^1 = 0 \quad \delta_2^2 = 1 \quad \delta_2^3 = 0$$

$$\delta_3^1 = 0 \quad \delta_3^2 = 0 \quad \delta_3^3 = 1$$

Thus square matrix \mathbb{I}

$$\mathbb{I} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1^1 & \delta_1^2 & \delta_1^3 \\ \delta_2^1 & \delta_2^2 & \delta_2^3 \\ \delta_3^1 & \delta_3^2 & \delta_3^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

For any n-ads \underline{X}

$$\underline{I} \cdot \underline{X} = \underline{X} \cdot \underline{I} = \underline{X}$$

Dyad Components

(Covariant, Contravariant, Mixed dyad)

(1) For typical dyads

$$\underline{D} = \underline{A} \underline{B}$$

The vectors \underline{A} & \underline{B} may have individually

- (a) Covariant - Covariant
- (b) Contravariant - Contravariant
- (c) Covariant - Contravariant
- (d) Contravariant - Covariant

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(1) Covariant $a_j b_k = c_{jk}$

(2) Mixed $a_j b^k = c_j^k$

(3) Mixed $a^j b_k = c_k^j$

(4) Contravariant $a^j b^k = c^{jk}$

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Relationship between — Covariant and Contravariant of a vectors. :-

$$\text{Let } v = v^1 e^1 + v^2 e^2 + v^3 e^3 \\ = v_1 e_1 + v_2 e_2 + v_3 e_3$$

$$\text{ie } e^j \cdot e^k = g^{jk}$$

$$e_j \cdot e_k = g_{jk}$$

$$e^j \cdot e_k = e_k \cdot e^j = \delta_j^k$$

To find relationship between two sets of vectors.
Component.

Taking inner product

$$v \cdot e^1 = (v^1 e^1 + v^2 e^2 + v^3 e^3) \cdot e^1 \\ = (v_1 e_1 + v_2 e_2 + v_3 e_3) \cdot e_1$$

$$\text{ie } v_1 = g_{11} v^1 + g_{12} v^2 + g_{13} v^3$$

$$v_2 = g_{21} v^1 + g_{22} v^2 + g_{23} v^3$$

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$$v_c = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \& \quad v^c = \begin{pmatrix} v^1 \\ v^2 \\ v^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g_c = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} \\ g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{--- Covariant dyad } \underline{g}_c$$

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Hence $v_c = g_c v^c$ and $v^c = g^c v_c$

Hence we may write

$$v_j = \sum_k g_{jk} v^k \quad \text{and} \quad v^j = \sum_k g^{jk} v_k$$

** Einstein noticed that the summation sign \sum_k was redundant in these equations and all other repeated index. In each case above summation is occurring over the index k , which is repeated once as a covariant index and once as a contravariant index in each term. Thus finally we write the tensor analysis:

$$v_j = g_{jk} v^k \quad \& \quad v^j = g^{jk} v_k$$

This convention is called Einstein summation