

Scalar Irreducible Parts of Sixth Rank Tensor

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Abstract: Reduction procedure of decomposing a Cartesian tensor of rank n into its irreducible parts is given. The numbers of different irreducible parts of the sixth rank Cartesian tensor are calculated. The number of independent components of sixth rank Cartesian tensor is computed. The scalar normalized irreducible parts of sixth rank Cartesian tensor are presented. Examples of different symmetry of sixth rank tensors are given.

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Introduction

In kinetic theory of gases and liquids and in other branches of molecular science one often encounters the necessity of evaluating integrals involving tensors of rank six. On integration, such integrals are expressed as a linear combination of irreducible isotropic tensors of the same rank. One typical example is the evaluation of stress tensors in the Burnett order in kinetic theory, Burnett (1935) and Ferziger and Kaper (1972), which requires integrals of Cartesian products of six momenta. In the course of investigation on nonlinear transport phenomena for dense fluids such a necessity also arises in a more general setting, Eu (1979).

The reduction of a Cartesian tensor $T_{i_1 \dots i_n}$ results in a sum of irreducible tensors with some weights represented more than once. Hence we can write, Coope and Sniders (1970) and Jerphagnon *et al.*, (1978)

$$T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} = \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{q=1}^{N_n^{(j)}} T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(j,q)} \quad (1)$$

Where q is called the seniority index of the irreducible tensor

$T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(j,q)}$ and $N_n^{(j)}$ is the multiplicity of weight j in this reduction.

The natural projection of x^j onto the irreducible

subspace H_j^j of traceless symmetric tensors of order

j is denoted by $E^{(j)} = E_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j i_1 i_2 \dots i_j}^{(j)}$.

The principle element in the reduction procedure is the mappings

$Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0,q)}$ of minimal rank tensor subspace

$H_{j,q}^j$ onto $H_{j,q}^n$. We will choose the mappings such

that they are orthonormal and \mathcal{G}_{pq} will be reduced to

identity matrix where \mathcal{G}_{pq} is a symmetric matrix, which was used and defined in Ferziger and Kaper (1972), through the relation,

$$\mathcal{G}_{pq} E_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j; i_1 i_2 \dots i_j}^{(j)} = Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0,p)} Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; i_1 i_2 \dots i_j}^{(0,q)} \quad (2)$$

In this work equation (2) is reduced to,

$$\delta_{pq} E_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j; i_1 i_2 \dots i_j}^{(j)} = Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0,p)} Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; i_1 i_2 \dots i_j}^{(0,q)} \quad (3)$$

The mapping

$\tilde{Q}_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j; i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(0,p)}$ dual to $Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0,p)}$ are defined by the relation,

$$\tilde{Q}_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j; i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(0,p)} = Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0,p)} \quad (4)$$

The dual mapping extract the natural forms

$t_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_j}^{(j;p)}$ from the tensor $T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}$ as follows,

$$t_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_j}^{(j;p)} = \tilde{Q}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_j; i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(0,p)} T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} \quad (5)$$

These tensors can be embedded in the tensor space of order n through the mapping,

$$T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(j; q)} = Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0; q)} t_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(j; p)} \quad (6)$$

$$T_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n}^{(j; q)} = Q_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; k_1 k_2 \dots k_j}^{(0; q)} \tilde{Q}_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n; l_1 l_2 \dots l_j}^{(0; p)} T_{l_1 l_2 \dots l_n} \quad (7)$$

The Sixth Rank Tensor: For $n = 6$, equation (1), implies that,

$$T_{ijklmn} = \sum_{j=0}^6 \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(j)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(j; q)} = \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(0)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(0; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(1)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(1; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(2)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(2; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(3)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(3; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(4)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(4; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(5)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(5; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(6)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(6; q)} \quad (8)$$

Where,

$$N_n^{(j)} = \sum_k (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{2n-3k-j-2}{n-2} \quad (9)$$

and

$$0 \leq k \leq [(n-j)/3] \quad (10)$$

From relation's (9) and (10) we have the following table,

Table 1: Values of $N_n^{(j)}$ for $n=6$ and $j=1,2,3,4,5,6$.

n	j	$N_n^{(j)}$
6	0	15
6	1	36
6	2	40
6	3	29
6	4	15
6	5	5
6	6	1

Each irreducible tensor has $(2j+1)$ independent components, so that the total number of components in the reduction form is:

$$\sum_{j=0}^n (2j+1)N_n^{(j)} = 3^n.$$

So for $n = 6$, we have,

$$\sum_{j=0}^6 (2j+1)N_n^{(j)} = N_6^{(0)} + 3N_6^{(1)} + 5N_6^{(2)} + 7N_6^{(3)} + 9N_6^{(4)} + 11N_6^{(5)} + 13N_6^{(6)} = 1 \times 15 + 3 \times 36 + 5 \times 40 + 7 \times 29 + 9 \times 15 + 11 \times 5 + 13 \times 1 = 729 = 3^6$$

Equation (8) and table (1) imply that,

$$T_{ijklmn} = \sum_{j=0}^6 \sum_{q=1}^{N_6^{(j)}} T_{ijklmn}^{(j; q)} = \sum_{q=1}^{15} T_{ijklmn}^{(0; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{36} T_{ijklmn}^{(1; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{40} T_{ijklmn}^{(2; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{29} T_{ijklmn}^{(3; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^{15} T_{ijklmn}^{(4; q)} + \sum_{q=1}^5 T_{ijklmn}^{(5; q)} + T_{ijklmn}^{(6; 1)} \quad (11)$$

Table 2: Natural Projections for Traceless Symmetric Tensors

Order j	$E_{k_1 k_2 \dots k_j l_1 l_2 \dots l_j}^{(j)}$
0	1
1	δ_{kl}
2	$(\delta_{kl})^2 - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{kk} \delta_{ll}$
3	$(\delta_{kl})^3 - \frac{3}{5} \delta_{kl} \delta_{kk} \delta_{ll}$
4	$(\delta_{kl})^4 - \frac{6}{7} (\delta_{kl})^2 \delta_{kk} \delta_{ll} + \frac{3}{35} (\delta_{kk})^2 (\delta_{ll})^2$
⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮
j	$(\delta_{kl})^j - \frac{j(j-1)}{2(2j-1)} (\delta_{kl})^{j-2} \delta_{kk} \delta_{ll} + \frac{(j-1)(j-2)}{2(2j-1)(2j-3)} (\delta_{kk})^2 (\delta_{ll})^2 + \dots$

Scalar Parts of Sixth Rank Tensor: Let us take $n = 6$ and $j = 0$. From equation (11) and table (1), the seniority index q will take the values $1, 2, 3, \dots, 15$: For $q = 1$:

$Q_{ijklmn}^{(0;1)} = a \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn}$ Where a is the normalization constant, and the normalization

Condition is:

$$Q_{ijklmn}^{(0;1)} Q_{ijklmn}^{(0;1)} = a^2 \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn}$$

$$= 1 \rightarrow 27a^2 = 1 \rightarrow a = \sqrt[3]{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_{ijklmn}^{(0;1)} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn} \Rightarrow \tilde{Q}_{ijklmn}^{(0;1)} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn}$$

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Equation (7) implies that:

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,1)} = \frac{1}{27} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn} T_{ppqrr} \quad (12)$$

In the same way we can find the other irreducible parts:

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,2)} = \frac{1}{48} (\delta_{im} \delta_{jl} \delta_{kn} - \delta_{ik} \delta_{lm} \delta_{jn}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (13)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,3)} = \frac{1}{48} (\delta_{in} \delta_{jm} \delta_{kl} - \delta_{ij} \delta_{jk} \delta_{mn}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (14)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,4)} = \frac{1}{48} (\delta_{kl} \delta_{im} \delta_{jn} - \delta_{mn} \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (15)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,5)} = \frac{1}{48} (\delta_{kl} \delta_{im} \delta_{jn} - \delta_{mn} \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (16)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,6)} = \frac{1}{48} (\delta_{in} \delta_{jk} \delta_{lm} - \delta_{ik} \delta_{ln} \delta_{jm}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (17)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,7)} = \frac{1}{36} (\delta_{ij} \delta_{km} \delta_{ln} - \delta_{ij} \delta_{kn} \delta_{lm}) (T_{ppqrr} - T_{ppqrr}) \quad (18)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,8)} = \frac{1}{36} (\delta_{kl} \delta_{im} \delta_{jn} - \delta_{kl} \delta_{in} \delta_{jm}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (19)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,9)} = \frac{1}{36} (\delta_{mn} \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} - \delta_{mn} \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}) (T_{pqrrp} - T_{pqrrq}) \quad (20)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,10)} = \frac{1}{216} (\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn} - 3\delta_{ij} \delta_{jk} \delta_{mn}) (T_{ppqrr} - 3T_{pqrrp}) \quad (21)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,11)} = \frac{1}{144} (\delta_{in} \delta_{jm} \delta_{kl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk} \delta_{mn} - 2\delta_{ij} \delta_{km} \delta_{ln}) \quad (22)$$

$$(T_{pqrrp} + T_{pqrrr} - 2T_{ppqrr}) \quad (22)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,12)} = \frac{1}{144} (\delta_{kl} \delta_{im} \delta_{jn} + \delta_{mn} \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} - 2\delta_{ij} \delta_{km} \delta_{ln}) \quad (23)$$

$$(T_{pqrrp} + T_{pqrrr} - 2T_{ppqrr}) \quad (23)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,13)} = \frac{1}{3600} (\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn} + \delta_{in} \delta_{jm} \delta_{kl} - 4\delta_{im} \delta_{jn} \delta_{kl}) \quad (24)$$

$$(T_{ppqrr} + T_{pqrrp} - 4T_{ppqrr}) \quad (24)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,14)} = \frac{1}{4752} (9\delta_{im} \delta_{jl} \delta_{kn} + 9\delta_{ik} \delta_{lm} \delta_{jn} - 2\delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \delta_{mn}) \quad (25)$$

$$(9T_{pqrrp} + 9T_{pqrrr} - 2T_{ppqrr}) \quad (25)$$

$$T_{ijklmn}^{(0,15)} = \frac{1}{6744} (3\delta_{ik} \delta_{ln} \delta_{jm} + \delta_{ij} \delta_{jk} \delta_{mn} + 11\delta_{ij} \delta_{kn} \delta_{lm} - 13\delta_{in} \delta_{jm} \delta_{kl}) \quad (26)$$

$$(3T_{pqrrp} + T_{pqrrr} + 11T_{ppqrr} - 13T_{pqrrp}) \quad (26)$$

Examples of Sixth Rank Tensors: 1. Sixth rank tensor **C** symmetric with respect to the first, second, third pairs of indices and to their

permutation (Sitotin and Shaskolskaya, 1979), satisfies:

$$C_{ijklmn} = C_{jiklmn} = C_{ijlkmn} = C_{ijklnm} = C_{ijmnlk} = C_{kljlmn}$$

The coefficients $C_{\lambda\mu\nu} = C_{ijklmn}$ $ij \leftrightarrow \lambda$, $kl \leftrightarrow \mu$, $mn \leftrightarrow \nu$, ($\lambda, \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 6$)

2. Sixth rank tensor **q** symmetric with respect to the first, second, third pairs of indices and to the permutation of the second and third pairs, satisfies:

$$q_{ijklmn} = q_{jiklmn} = q_{ijlkmn} = q_{ijklnm} = q_{ijmnlk}$$

The coefficients $q_{\lambda\mu\nu} = q_{ijklmn}$ $ij \leftrightarrow \lambda$, $kl \leftrightarrow \mu$, $mn \leftrightarrow \nu$, ($\lambda, \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 6$)

Appendix:

Definitions:

1 - Isotropic Tensors: A tensor is called isotropic if its components retain the same values however the axes are rotated like δ_{ik} , ϵ_{iks} and $\epsilon_{iks}\epsilon_{mps}$, where the symbol

δ_{ik} is called the identity matrix (Kronecker delta) defined by:

$$\delta_{ik} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = k \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq k \end{cases}$$

and the symbol ϵ_{iks} is called Levi - Civita antisymmetric tensor defined by:

$$\epsilon_{iks} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } ikm = 123, 231, 312 \\ -1 & \text{for } ikm = 132, 213, 321 \\ 0 & \text{in all other cases.} \end{cases}$$

and $\epsilon_{iks}\epsilon_{mps} = \delta_{im}\delta_{kp} - \delta_{ip}\delta_{km}$. There are no

isotropic tensors of the first rank, $f_{(m)}^{(0)r}$ isotropic tensor

of rank **m**, which are product of $m/2$ Kronecker deltas

if **m** is even, and products of $(m-3)/2$ Kronecker

deltas, and Levi - Civita antisymmetric tensor if **m** is odd,

the index **r** in $f_{(m)}^{(0)r}$, is used to differentiate the various

index permutation of **f**, each of which contracts with a

tensor of rank **m** to give one of rank **j**.

2 - Isotropy: A material is isotropic with respect to certain properties if these properties are the same in all directions.

3 - trace(E_{ij}) = $tr(E_{ij}) = E_{ii} = E_{11} + E_{22} + E_{33}$.

4 - Irreducible sets obtained by reducing sets of tensors serve to construct new tensors in various ways. Consider first the simultaneous reductions of the set of components of an ordinary tensor **T** and of the corresponding set of base unit tensors. This operation splits the tensor into a sum of tensors, each of which consists of an irreducible set

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of base tensors. Each of these tensors may accordingly be called an irreducible tensor. For example a second rank tensor represented by:

$$T = \mathbf{ii}T_{xx} + \mathbf{ij}T_{xy} + \dots + \mathbf{kk}T_{zz},$$

revolves into three parts $T = T^{(0;1)} + T^{(1;1)} + T^{(2;1)}$, the form of this expression emphasizes the structure of the irreducible tensor $T^{(0;1)}$, $T^{(1;1)}$ and $T^{(2;1)}$ in terms of irreducible sets, where:

$$T^{(0;1)} = \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} T_{pp}$$

$$T^{(1;1)} = \frac{1}{2} (T_{ij} - T_{ji})$$

$$T^{(2;1)} = \frac{1}{2} (T_{ij} + T_{ji}) - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} T_{pp}$$

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