

Transformation laws for tensors by MY

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For a transformation from one orthogonal set of axes Ox_i to another Ox'_i

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$x'_i = a_{ij}x_j \quad (2)$$

Here a_{ij} is the cosine of the angle between x'_i and x_j . From this definition we can get reverse transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$x_i = a_{ji}x'_j \quad (4)$$

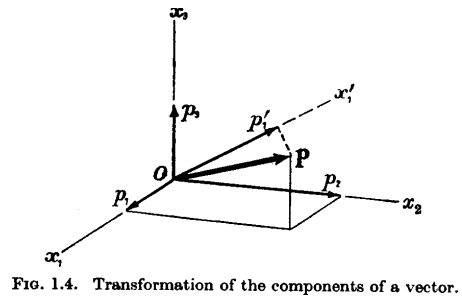
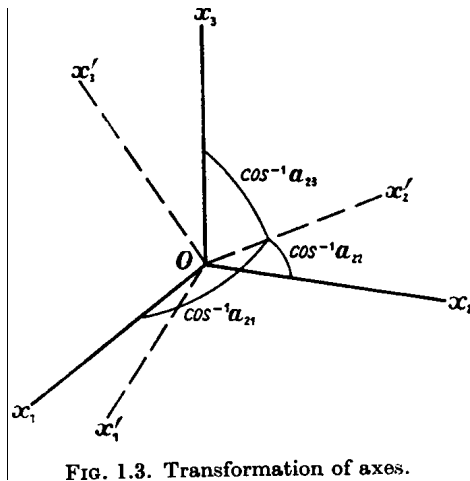


Figure 1:

Now we have a certain vector \mathbf{p} whose components with respect to x_1, x_2, x_3 are p_1, p_2, p_3 . This vector are written in new coordinate

$$p'_1 = p_1 \cos(\widehat{x_1 x'_1}) + p_2 \cos(\widehat{x_2 x'_1}) + p_3 \cos(\widehat{x_3 x'_1}) + \quad (5)$$

Then we may write

$$\begin{pmatrix} p'_1 \\ p'_2 \\ p'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$p'_i = a_{ij}q_j \quad (7)$$

$$p_i = a_{ji}p'_j \quad (8)$$

If we consider the second-rank tensor(matrix), which relate the two vectors

$$\mathbf{p} = T\mathbf{q}, \quad p_i = T_{ij}q_j \quad (9)$$

The transformations of the second-rank tensor becomes

$$p'_i = a_{ik}p_k \quad (10)$$

$$p_k = T_{kl}q_l \quad (11)$$

$$q_l = a_{jl}q'_j \quad (12)$$

$$p'_i = a_{ik}p_k = a_{ik}T_{kl}q_l = a_{ik}T_{kl}a_{jl}q'_j \quad (13)$$

$$\text{or } p'_i = T'_{ij}q'_j \quad \text{then} \quad (14)$$

$$T'_{ij} = a_{ik}T_{kl}a_{jl} = a_{ik}a_{jl}T_{kl} \quad (15)$$

If we define the third-rank tensor which relate to the three vectors

$$p_i = \chi_{ijk} : q_j q_k \quad \text{or } \mathbf{p} = \chi : \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q} \quad (16)$$

The transformation of the third-rank tensor becomes

$$p'_i = a_{il}p_l \quad (17)$$

$$= a_{il}\chi_{lmn}q_m q_n \quad (18)$$

$$= a_{il}\chi_{lmn}a_{jm}q'_j a_{kn}q'_k \quad (19)$$

$$= a_{il}a_{jm}a_{kn}\chi_{lmn}q'_j q'_k \quad (20)$$

$$\text{or } = \chi'_{ijk}q'_j q'_k \quad \text{then} \quad (21)$$

$$\chi'_{ijk} = a_{il}a_{jm}a_{kn}\chi_{lmn} \quad (22)$$

If we consider the inversion symmetry (in a centrosymmetric media),

$$a_{ij} = -\delta_{ij} \quad (23)$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

The second-rank tensor χ_{ijk} becomes

$$\chi'_{ijk} = -\delta_{il}\delta_{jm}\delta_{kn}\chi_{lmn} \quad (25)$$

$$= -\chi_{ijk} \quad (26)$$

However the media has the centrosymmetric properties, then

$$\chi'_{ijk} = \chi_{ijk} \quad (27)$$

Therefore

$$\chi_{ijk} = 0 \quad (28)$$