

张量代数—反称化算子及反对称张量

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1 知识要素

1.1 对称化算子与反称化算子

定义 1.1 (置换算子). 设有置换 $\sigma \in P_r$, 置换算子 I_σ 定义为

$$I_\sigma : \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m) \ni \Phi \mapsto I_\sigma \Phi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

此处, $(I_\sigma \Phi)(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r) \triangleq \Phi(\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}) \in \mathbb{R}$.

性质 1.1 (置换算子的线性性). 对 $\forall \Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 和 $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, 有

$$I_\sigma(\alpha\Phi + \beta\Psi) = \alpha I_\sigma \Phi + \beta I_\sigma \Psi.$$

证明 根据置换算子的定义, 以及张量的线性性, 有

$$\begin{aligned} I_\sigma(\alpha\Phi + \beta\Psi)(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r) &= (\alpha\Phi + \beta\Psi)(\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}) \\ &= \alpha\Phi(\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}) + \beta\Psi(\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}) \\ &= \alpha I_\sigma \Phi(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r) + \beta I_\sigma \Psi(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r) \\ &= (\alpha I_\sigma \Phi + \beta I_\sigma \Psi)(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r). \end{aligned}$$

□

根据置换算子的定义, 任意张量经过置换算子作用之后可以表示为

$$\begin{aligned} (I_\sigma \Phi)(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r) &= \Phi(\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}) \\ &= (\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \mathbf{g}_{i_1})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \cdots (\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}, \mathbf{g}_{i_r})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \Phi(\mathbf{g}^{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{g}^{i_r}) \\ &= \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r}(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \cdots (\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ &= \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)}(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r), \end{aligned}$$

即有

$$I_\sigma \Phi = \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)}.$$

又可得

$$I_\sigma \Phi = \Phi^{\sigma(i_1) \cdots \sigma(i_r)} \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_r}.$$

定义 1.2 (对称张量与反对称张量). 如果张量 $\Phi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 满足 $I_\sigma \Phi = \Phi, \forall \sigma \in P_r$ 或者 $\Phi^{\sigma(i_1)\cdots\sigma(i_r)} = \Phi^{i_1\cdots i_r}$, 则张量 Φ 称为对称张量, 记作 $\Phi \in \mathbf{Sym}$ 或者 $\Phi \in \mathcal{S}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$. 如果张量 $\Phi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 对 $\forall \sigma \in P_r$ 满足 $I_\sigma \Phi = \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi$ 或者 $\Phi^{\sigma(i_1)\cdots\sigma(i_r)} = \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi^{i_1\cdots i_r}$, 则张量 Φ 称为反对称张量, 记作 $\Phi \in \mathbf{Skw}$ 或者 $\Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$.

定义 1.3 (对称化算子和反称化算子). 对称化算子 \mathcal{S} 和反称化算子 \mathcal{A} 分别定义为

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{S}(\Phi) : \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^n) \ni \Phi &\mapsto \mathcal{S}\Phi \triangleq \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} I_\sigma \Phi \in \mathbf{Sym}; \\ \mathcal{A}(\Phi) : \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^n) \ni \Phi &\mapsto \mathcal{A}\Phi \triangleq \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma \Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^n).\end{aligned}$$

对于对称化算子, 设 $\forall \tau \in P_r$, 则有

$$I_\tau \mathcal{S}\Phi = \frac{1}{r!} I_\tau \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} I_\sigma \Phi \right) = \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} I_{\tau \circ \sigma} \Phi = \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\gamma \in P_r} I_\gamma \Phi = \mathcal{S}\Phi.$$

因此 $\mathcal{S}\Phi$ 是对称张量.

对于反称化算子, 设 $\forall \tau \in P_r$, 则有

$$I_\tau \mathcal{A}\Phi = \frac{1}{r!} I_\tau \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma \Phi \right) = \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\tau \circ \sigma} \Phi = \frac{1}{r!} \text{sgn } \tau \sum_{\gamma \in P_r} I_\gamma \Phi = \text{sgn } \tau \mathcal{A}\Phi.$$

因此 $\mathcal{A}\Phi$ 是反对称张量.

性质 1.2 (反称化算子基本性质). 反称化算子具有如下基本性质:

1. 线性性: 对 $\forall \Phi, \Psi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 和 $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, 有

$$\mathcal{A}(\alpha\Phi + \beta\Psi) = \alpha\mathcal{A}\Phi + \beta\mathcal{A}\Psi;$$

2. $\mathcal{A}^2 = \mathcal{A}$, 更一般地, 有 $\mathcal{A}^k = \mathcal{A}, k \in \mathbb{N}$;

3. 对 $\forall \Phi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m), \Psi \in \mathcal{T}^s(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 有

$$\mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \mathcal{A}\Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \mathcal{A}\Psi).$$

证明 可按置换算子的基本性质, 证明反称化算子的基本性质.

1. 根据置换算子的线性性, 这是显然的.

2. 设 $\Phi \in \mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 则有

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}^2\Phi &= \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi) = \mathcal{A} \left(\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma \Phi \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\beta \in P_r} \text{sgn } \beta I_\beta \left(\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma \Phi \right) = \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\beta \in P_r} \left(\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } (\beta \circ \sigma) I_{\beta \circ \sigma} \Phi \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\beta \in P_r} \mathcal{A}\Phi = \mathcal{A}\Phi.\end{aligned}$$

由此, 即有 $\mathcal{A}^2 = \mathcal{A}$. 再根据数学归纳法, 易于证明 $\mathcal{A}^k = \mathcal{A}$.

3. 证明 $\mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \Psi)$. 由

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A} \left[\left(\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma \Phi \right) \otimes \Psi \right] = \mathcal{A} \left[\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma (I_\sigma \Phi \otimes \Psi) \right].$$

此处 $I_\sigma \Phi \otimes \Psi = \Phi^{\sigma(i_1) \cdots \sigma(i_r)} \Psi^{j_1 \cdots j_s} \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_r} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_s}$, 作置换 $\sigma \in P_r$ 的延拓 $\hat{\sigma} \in P_{r+s}$, 如下所示:

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & \cdots & i_r \\ \sigma(i_1) & \cdots & \sigma(i_r) \end{pmatrix} \in P_r, \quad \hat{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & \cdots & i_r & j_1 & \cdots & j_s \\ \sigma(i_1) & \cdots & \sigma(i_r) & j_1 & \cdots & j_s \end{pmatrix} \in P_{r+s},$$

因此有 $I_\sigma \Phi \otimes \Psi = I_{\hat{\sigma}}(\Phi \otimes \Psi)$. 所以, 有

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \Psi) &= \mathcal{A} \left[\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\hat{\sigma}}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(r+s)!} \sum_{\hat{\beta} \in P_{r+s}} \text{sgn } \hat{\beta} I_{\hat{\beta}} \left[\frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\hat{\sigma}}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \left[\frac{1}{(r+s)!} \sum_{\hat{\beta} \in P_{r+s}} \text{sgn } (\hat{\beta} \circ \hat{\sigma}) I_{\hat{\beta} \circ \hat{\sigma}}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \right] = \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \\ &= \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi). \end{aligned}$$

用类似的方法可以证明 $\mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \mathcal{A}\Psi)$.

按以上结论, 可得

$$\mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{A}\Phi \otimes \mathcal{A}\Psi). \quad \square$$

1.2 反对称张量的外积运算

定义 1.4 (外积运算). 反对称张量的外积运算定义如下:

$$\wedge : \Lambda^p(\mathbb{R}^m) \times \Lambda^q(\mathbb{R}^m) \ni \{\Phi, \Psi\} \mapsto \Phi \wedge \Psi \in \Lambda^{p+q}(\mathbb{R}^m),$$

其中

$$\Phi \wedge \Psi \triangleq \frac{(p+q)!}{p!q!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \frac{1}{p!q!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma(\Phi \otimes \Psi).$$

性质 1.3 (外积运算基本性质). 外积运算具有如下基本性质:

1. 线性性: 对 $\forall \Phi, \Psi \in \Lambda^p(\mathbb{R}^m), \Theta \in \Lambda^q(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 和 $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, 有

$$(\alpha\Phi + \beta\Psi) \wedge \Theta = \alpha\Phi \wedge \Theta + \beta\Psi \wedge \Theta;$$

2. 对 $\forall \Phi \in \Lambda^p(\mathbb{R}^m), \Psi \in \Lambda^q(\mathbb{R}^m), \Theta \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 有

$$(\Phi \wedge \Psi) \wedge \Theta = \Phi \wedge (\Psi \wedge \Theta) = \frac{(p+q+r)!}{p!q!r!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi \otimes \Theta) \in \Lambda^{p+q+r}(\mathbb{R}^m),$$

由此, 上述两种表达都统一记作 $\Phi \wedge \Psi \wedge \Theta$;

3. 对 $\forall \Phi \in \Lambda^p(\mathbb{R}^m), \Psi \in \Lambda^q(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 则有

$$\Phi \wedge \Psi = (-1)^{pq} \Psi \wedge \Phi.$$

证明 可基于反称化算子的基本性质, 证明外积运算的基本性质.

1. 根据反称化算子的线性性, 这是显然的.
2. 根据反称化算子的性质 (3), 有

$$\begin{aligned} (\Phi \wedge \Psi) \wedge \Theta &= \frac{(p+q)!}{p!q!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \wedge \Theta \\ &= \frac{(p+q)!}{p!q!} \frac{(p+q+r)!}{(p+q)!r!} \mathcal{A}[\mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \otimes \Theta] \\ &= \frac{(p+q+r)!}{p!q!r!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi \otimes \Theta). \end{aligned}$$

同理可得

$$\Phi \wedge (\Psi \wedge \Theta) = \frac{(p+q+r)!}{p!q!r!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi \otimes \Theta).$$

因此有

$$(\Phi \wedge \Psi) \wedge \Theta = \Phi \wedge (\Psi \wedge \Theta) = \frac{(p+q+r)!}{p!q!r!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi \otimes \Theta).$$

3. 根据外积运算的定义, 有

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi \wedge \Psi &= \frac{(p+q)!}{p!q!} \mathcal{A}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) = \frac{1}{p!q!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\sigma}(\Phi \otimes \Psi) \\ &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\sigma}(\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_p} \Psi^{j_1 \dots j_q} \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_p} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_q}) \\ &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_p} \Psi^{j_1 \dots j_q} I_{\sigma}(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_p} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_q}). \end{aligned}$$

引入置换

$$\tau^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} i_1 & \dots & i_q & i_{q+1} & \dots & i_p & j_1 & \dots & j_q \\ j_1 & \dots & j_q & i_1 & \dots & i_{p-q} & i_{p-q+1} & \dots & i_p \end{pmatrix} \in P_{p+q},$$

此置换将哑标 i_1, \dots, i_p 与哑标 j_1, \dots, j_q 整体换位 (此处假设了 $q < p$, 另一种情况的构造方法完全类似). 则有

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi \wedge \Psi &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } (\sigma \circ \tau) \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_p} \Psi^{j_1 \dots j_q} I_{\sigma \circ \tau}(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_p} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_q}) \\ &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \text{sgn } \tau \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_p} \Psi^{j_1 \dots j_q} I_{\sigma}(\mathbf{g}_{\tau^{-1}(i_1)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\tau^{-1}(i_p)} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\tau^{-1}(j_1)} \otimes \dots \\ &\quad \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\tau^{-1}(j_q)}) \\ &= \frac{1}{p!q!} \text{sgn } \tau \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_p} \Psi^{j_1 \dots j_q} I_{\sigma}(\mathbf{g}_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_q} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{i_p}) \\ &= \text{sgn } \tau \frac{1}{p!q!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{p+q}} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\sigma}(\Psi \otimes \Phi) = \text{sgn } \tau \Psi \wedge \Phi. \end{aligned}$$

以下考虑 $\text{sgn } \tau$, 依次将 i_1, \dots, i_p 移动到 j_1, \dots, j_q 之前, 总共需要 pq 次操作, 因此

$$\text{sgn } \tau = (-1)^{pq}.$$

综上, 有

$$\Phi \wedge \Psi = (-1)^{pq} \Psi \wedge \Phi. \quad \square$$

1.3 反对称张量的表示

反对称张量也常称为**外形式**, r 阶反对称张量则称为 r -**形式**. 显然 \mathbb{R}^m 上全体 r -形式组成的空间是 r 阶张量空间 $\mathcal{T}^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 的一个子空间, 称为 \mathbb{R}^m 上的 r -形式空间, 记作 $\Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$.

定义 1.5 (简单 r -形式). 设 $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r \in \mathbb{R}^m$, 则 $\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 称为简单 r -形式.

根据外积运算的基本性质 (1), 有

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r = \frac{r!}{1! \dots 1!} \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{u}_r) = r! \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{u}_r) \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

即简单 r -形式是 r 阶反对称张量.

定理 1.4. 设 $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r \in \mathbb{R}^m$, 则有

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r) = \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix}.$$

证明 根据外积的定义可有

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r) &= r! \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{u}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{u}_r)(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{u}_r)(\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma (\mathbf{u}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{u}_r)(\mathbf{v}_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{\sigma(r)}) \quad (\text{置换算子的定义}) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}_{\sigma(1)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \cdots (\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}_{\sigma(r)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \quad (\text{简单张量的定义}) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{u}_r, \mathbf{v}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{行列式的定义}). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

推论 1.4.1. 对 $\forall \sigma \in P_r$, 有

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\sigma}(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r}) &= \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_1)} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_r)} = \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)} \\ &= \text{sgn } \sigma \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r}. \end{aligned}$$

证明 根据置换算子的定义, 有

$$\begin{aligned} I_\sigma(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r})(\mathbf{u}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_r) &= \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r}(\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)}, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)}) \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} = \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r}(\mathbf{u}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_r). \end{aligned}$$

同样有

$$\begin{aligned} I_\sigma(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r})(\mathbf{u}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_r) &= \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_1)}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_1)}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_r)}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_r)}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_r)}(\mathbf{u}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_r), \\ I_\sigma(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r})(\mathbf{u}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_r) &= \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_1}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{i_r}, \mathbf{u}_{\sigma(r)})_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)}, \mathbf{u}_1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)}, \mathbf{u}_r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)}(\mathbf{u}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{u}_r). \end{aligned}$$

综上, 有

$$I_\sigma(\mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r}) = \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \mathbf{g}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{i_r} = \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(i_r)}. \quad \square$$

引理 1.5. 如果反对称张量的分量有两个指标相同, 则该分量必为零.

证明 设 $\Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 则其分量满足

$$\Phi^{\sigma(k_1)\cdots\sigma(k_r)} = \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi^{k_1\cdots k_r}, \quad \forall \sigma \in P_r.$$

设该分量的第 i 个和第 j 个指标是相同的, 即 $k_i = k_j$. 令

$$\sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & i & \cdots & j & \cdots & r \\ 1 & \cdots & j & \cdots & i & \cdots & r \end{bmatrix},$$

则有 $\operatorname{sgn} \sigma = -1$. 所以有

$$\Phi^{k_1\cdots k_i\cdots k_j\cdots k_r} = -\Phi^{k_1\cdots k_j\cdots k_i\cdots k_r} = -\Phi^{k_1\cdots k_i\cdots k_j\cdots k_r},$$

即 $\Phi^{k_1\cdots k_i\cdots k_j\cdots k_r} = 0$ ($k_i = k_j$). □

此引理表明, 如果某外形式空间 $r > m$, 则必然有 $\Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m) = \{\mathbf{0}\}$, 即仅含有 r 阶零张量. 根据引理1.5(第6页), 可以得出如下的反对称张量表示定理.

定理 1.6 (反对称张量表示定理). 设 $\Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 则反对称张量 Φ 可以表示为

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes g_{i_r} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r} = \frac{1}{r!} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r}.\end{aligned}$$

证明 根据引理1.5(第6页), 除去 Φ 中必为零的分量 (即有相同指标的分量), 即有

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \Phi^{\sigma(i_1) \cdots \sigma(i_r)} g_{\sigma(i_1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes g_{\sigma(i_r)} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{\sigma(i_1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes g_{\sigma(i_r)} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\sigma-1}(g_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes g_{i_r}) \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} [r! \mathcal{A}(g_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes g_{i_r})] \text{ (反称化算子的定义)} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r}.\end{aligned}$$

定理的第一个式子得证. 以下证明定理的第二种表示, 有

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \text{sgn } \sigma \Phi^{\sigma(i_1) \cdots \sigma(i_r)} \text{sgn } \sigma I_{\sigma-1}(g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r}), \forall \sigma \in P_r \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \Phi^{\sigma(i_1) \cdots \sigma(i_r)} g_{\sigma(i_1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{\sigma(i_r)}, \forall \sigma \in P_r \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m} \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \frac{1}{r!} \Phi^{\sigma(i_1) \cdots \sigma(i_r)} g_{\sigma(i_1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{\sigma(i_r)} \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_r} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r} = \frac{1}{r!} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r}.\end{aligned} \quad \square$$

定理1.6(第7页) 表明, $\{g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r}\}_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq m}$ 为 r -形式空间 $\Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 的基, 其维数为

$$\binom{r}{m} = m(m-1) \cdots (m-(r-1)) = \frac{m!}{(m-r)!}.$$

设有反对称张量 $\Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, $\Psi \in \Lambda^s(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 其表示为

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi &= \frac{1}{r!} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r}, \\ \Psi &= \frac{1}{s!} \Psi^{j_1 \cdots j_s} g_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{j_s},\end{aligned}$$

则 Φ 和 Ψ 的外积 $\Phi \wedge \Psi$ 的表示为

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi \wedge \Psi &= \left(\frac{1}{r!} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r} \right) \wedge \left(\frac{1}{s!} \Psi^{j_1 \cdots j_s} g_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{j_s} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r!s!} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_r} \Psi^{j_1 \cdots j_s} g_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{i_r} \wedge g_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge g_{j_s} \in \Lambda^{r+s}(\mathbb{R}^m).\end{aligned}$$

此结论基于外积运算基本性质1.3(第3页) 的 (1) 和 (2).

2 应用事例

2.1 有关向量组的应用

引理 2.1 (向量组线性相关性的外积表示). 向量组 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性相关的充分必要条件为

$$\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_r = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

证明 可直接基于运算, 证明充分必要性.

1. 证明必要性. 设有 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性相关, 需证 $\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_r = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$.

由于 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 线性相关, 不妨设有 $\mathbf{g}_r = c_1 \mathbf{g}_1 + \cdots + c_{r-1} \mathbf{g}_{r-1} \in \mathbb{R}^m$, 故有

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{r-1} \wedge \mathbf{g}_r &= \mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{r-1} \wedge (c_1 \mathbf{g}_1 + \cdots + c_{r-1} \mathbf{g}_{r-1}) \\ &= \mathbf{0} + \cdots + \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m). \end{aligned}$$

2. 证明充分性. 设有 $\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_r = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 需证 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性相关.

利用反证法, 设 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 线性无关, 可补充 $\{\mathbf{g}_j\}_{j=r+1}^m$ 使得 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r \cup \{\mathbf{g}_j\}_{j=r+1}^m$ 为 \mathbb{R}^m 的一组基, 由此存在对偶基 $\{\mathbf{g}^\alpha\}_{\alpha=1}^m$. 考虑到

$$\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_r(\mathbf{g}^1, \cdots, \mathbf{g}^r) = \begin{vmatrix} (\mathbf{g}_1, \mathbf{g}^1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_1, \mathbf{g}^r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ (\mathbf{g}_r, \mathbf{g}^1)_{\mathbb{R}^m} & \cdots & (\mathbf{g}_r, \mathbf{g}^r)_{\mathbb{R}^m} \end{vmatrix} = \det \mathbf{I}_r = 1,$$

即有 $\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_r \neq \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 即得矛盾. \square

由引理2.1(第8页) 可得如下引理.

引理 2.2 (向量组线性无关性的外积表示). 向量组 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性无关的充分必要条件为

$$\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_r \neq \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

按引理2.1(第8页) 和引理2.2(第8页), 可有两向量组之间的关系.

引理 2.3 (Cartan 引理). 设有向量组 $\{\mathbf{u}_i\}_{i=1}^r, \{\mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, 满足

$$\sum_{i=1}^r \mathbf{u}_i \wedge \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

如有 $\{\mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 线性无关, 则有

$$\mathbf{u}_i = \sum_{s=1}^r P_{si} \mathbf{v}_s, \quad i = 1, \cdots, r,$$

且 $P_{ij} = P_{ji}$, $i, j = 1, \cdots, r$.

证明 由于 $\{\mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性无关, 则可补充 $\{\mathbf{v}_{r+1}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\} \subset \mathbb{R}^m$, 使得 $\{\mathbf{v}_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1}^m$ 为 \mathbb{R}^m 的一组基. 由此有

$$\mathbf{u}_i = \sum_{\alpha=1}^m P_{\alpha i} \mathbf{v}_\alpha, \quad i = 1, \dots, r.$$

由

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{0} &= \sum_{i=1}^r \mathbf{u}_i \wedge \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{\alpha=1}^m P_{\alpha i} \mathbf{v}_\alpha \wedge \mathbf{v}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^r P_{ji} \mathbf{v}_j \wedge \mathbf{v}_i + \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=r+1}^m P_{ji} \mathbf{v}_j \wedge \mathbf{v}_i \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq j < i \leq r} (P_{ji} - P_{ij}) \mathbf{v}_j \wedge \mathbf{v}_i + \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=r+1}^m P_{ji} \mathbf{v}_j \wedge \mathbf{v}_i \in \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^m), \end{aligned}$$

考虑到 $\{\mathbf{v}_\beta \wedge \mathbf{v}_\alpha\}_{1 \leq \beta < \alpha \leq m}$ 为 $\Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 的一个基, 有

$$P_{ij} = P_{ji}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, r; \quad P_{ji} = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, r, \quad j = r+1, \dots, m.$$

故有

$$\mathbf{u}_i = \sum_{j=1}^r P_{ji} \mathbf{v}_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, r. \quad \square$$

引理 2.4 (两向量组之间的关系). 设有 $\forall \{\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r, \{\boldsymbol{\xi}_i, \boldsymbol{\eta}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 为两个向量组, 如有

1. $\{\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性无关;
2. $\sum_{i=1}^r \mathbf{u}_i \wedge \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^r \boldsymbol{\xi}_i \wedge \boldsymbol{\eta}_i \in \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^m)$,

则有 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_i, \boldsymbol{\eta}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性无关, 且 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_i, \boldsymbol{\eta}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 可由 $\{\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 线性表示.

证明 计算

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \mathbf{u}_i \wedge \mathbf{v}_i \right)^r &\triangleq (\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{u}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r) \wedge \dots \wedge (\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{u}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r) \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in P_r} (\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(1)} \wedge \mathbf{v}_{\sigma(1)}) \wedge \dots \wedge (\mathbf{u}_{\sigma(m)} \wedge \mathbf{v}_{\sigma(m)}) \\ &= \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \operatorname{sgn}^2 \sigma \right) [(\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \mathbf{v}_1) \wedge \dots \wedge (\mathbf{u}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r)] \\ &= r! \mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \mathbf{v}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r, \end{aligned}$$

故有

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \mathbf{v}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r = \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \boldsymbol{\eta}_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\eta}_r.$$

由 $\{\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性无关, 故上式为非零 $2r$ -形式. 按向量组线性无关的外积表示, 可有 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_i, \boldsymbol{\eta}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 线性无关.

另考虑到

$$\mathbf{u}_1 \wedge \mathbf{v}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{u}_r \wedge \mathbf{v}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_i = \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \boldsymbol{\eta}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\eta}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_i = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^{2r+1}(\mathbb{R}^m),$$

其中 $i = 1, \dots, r$. 结合向量组线性相关性的外积表示, 以及 $\{\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 的线性无关性, 有 $\boldsymbol{\xi}_i \in \mathbb{R}^m (i = 1, \dots, r)$ 可由 $\{\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 线性表示. \square

引理 2.5 (外形式的低一阶表示). 设 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_i\}_{i=1}^r$ 为线性无关向量组, 则对 $\forall \boldsymbol{\Phi} \in \Lambda^p(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 有表示

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi} = \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 + \cdots + \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_r, \quad \boldsymbol{\psi}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\psi}_r \in \Lambda^{p-1}(\mathbb{R}^m)$$

的充分必要条件为

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\Phi} = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^{r+p}(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

证明 按线性代数中的结论, 可将线性无关组 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_i\}_{i=1}^r \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ 扩充为 \mathbb{R}^m 中的一组基 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1}^m$. 由此可有 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p}\}_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m}$ 为 $\Lambda^p(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 的一组基, 即有

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\Phi} &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_p} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \left(\sum_{2 \leq i_2 < \cdots < i_p \leq m} \Phi^{1 i_2 \cdots i_p} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_2} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p} \right) + \cdots \\ &\quad + \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \left(\sum_{r+1 \leq i_2 < \cdots < i_p \leq m} \Phi^{r i_2 \cdots i_p} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_2} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p} \right) \\ &\quad + \sum_{r+1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_p} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p} \\ &=: \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 + \cdots + \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_r + \sum_{r+1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_p} \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p}. \end{aligned}$$

当 $r+p > m$ 时, 上式最后一项自动消失. 在此情形下即有

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi} = \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 + \cdots + \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_r, \quad \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\Phi} = \mathbf{0}.$$

亦即结论自然成立.

当 $r+p \leq m$ 时, 设有 $\boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\Phi} = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^{r+p}(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 则

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\Phi} = \sum_{r+1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m} \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_p} \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{i_p} = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^{r+p}(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

由于 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{j_{r+p}}\}_{1 \leq j_1 < \cdots < j_{r+p} \leq m}$ 为 $\Lambda^{r+p}(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 的基, 故按上式有

$$\Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_p} = 0, \quad r+1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m,$$

即有 $\boldsymbol{\Phi} = \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 + \cdots + \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\psi}_r$.

反之, 设有 $\boldsymbol{\Phi} = \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \tilde{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_1 + \cdots + \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \tilde{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_r$, 其中 $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_1, \dots, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_r \in \Lambda^{p-1}(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 考虑到 $\{\boldsymbol{\xi}_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_{j_{r+p}}\}_{1 \leq j_1 < \cdots < j_{r+p} \leq m}$ 为 $\Lambda^{r+p}(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 的基, 则有

$$\Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_p} = 0, \quad r+1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_p \leq m,$$

故有

$$\boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \boldsymbol{\xi}_r \wedge \boldsymbol{\Phi} = \mathbf{0} \in \Lambda^{r+p}(\mathbb{R}^m). \quad \square$$

2.2 广义 Kronecker 符号

定义 2.1 (广义 Kronecker 符号). \mathbb{R}^m 空间中的广义 Kronecker 符号定义为

$$\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r} \triangleq \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_r} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_r} \end{vmatrix},$$

此处 $i_1, \dots, i_r = 1, \dots, m; j_1, \dots, j_r = 1, \dots, m$.

按定理 1.4 (第 5 页), 有

$$\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r} = \mathbf{g}^{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}^{i_r}(\mathbf{g}_{j_1}, \dots, \mathbf{g}_{j_r}) = \mathbf{g}_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_{j_r}(\mathbf{g}^{i_1}, \dots, \mathbf{g}^{i_r}).$$

性质 2.6 (广义 Kronecker 符号基本性质). 广义 Kronecker 符号具有如下基本性质:

1. $\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s} = (m-r)\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r}$;
2. $\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s_1 \cdots s_t}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s_1 \cdots s_t} = \frac{(m-r)!}{(m-r-t)!} \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r}$.

证明 可直接通过行列式计算, 证明广义 Kronecker 符号的基本性质.

1. 根据定义, 如果 j_1, \dots, j_r 互不相同, 则有

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s} &\triangleq \sum_{s=1}^m \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_1} & \delta_s^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_r} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_r} & \delta_s^{i_r} \\ \delta_s^s & \cdots & \delta_s^s & \delta_s^s \end{vmatrix} = \sum_{s \neq \{j_1, \dots, j_r\}} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_1} & \delta_s^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_r} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_r} & \delta_s^{i_r} \\ \delta_s^s & \cdots & \delta_s^s & \delta_s^s \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{s \neq \{j_1, \dots, j_r\}} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_1} & \delta_s^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_r} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_r} & \delta_s^{i_r} \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \delta_s^s \end{vmatrix} = \sum_{s \neq \{j_1, \dots, j_r\}} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_r} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{i_r} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{s \neq \{j_1, \dots, j_r\}} \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r} = (m-r)\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r}. \end{aligned}$$

如果 j_1, \dots, j_r 中至少两个相同, 则有 $\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s} = \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r} = 0$. 综上有

$$\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s} = (m-r)\delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r}.$$

2. 根据上一条性质, 有

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s_1 \cdots s_t}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s_1 \cdots s_t} &= [m - (r+t-1)] \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s_1 \cdots s_{t-1}}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s_1 \cdots s_{t-1}} \\ &= [m - (r+t-1)] [m - (r+t-2)] \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r s_1 \cdots s_{t-2}}^{i_1 \cdots i_r s_1 \cdots s_{t-2}} \\ &= \cdots = [m - (r+t-1)] \cdots (m-r) \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r} = \frac{(m-r)!}{(m-r-t)!} \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{i_1 \cdots i_r}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

设矩阵 $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{i_1 j_1} & \cdots & A_{i_1 j_r} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{i_r j_1} & \cdots & A_{i_r j_r} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$, 则基于广义 Kronecker 符号, 可得行列式的另一表达式

$$\begin{aligned} \det \mathbf{A} &= \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in P_r} \operatorname{sgn} \alpha \operatorname{sgn} \beta A_{\alpha(i_1), \beta(j_1)} \cdots A_{\alpha(i_r), \beta(j_r)} \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in P_r} \operatorname{sgn} \alpha \operatorname{sgn} \beta \left(\delta_{\alpha(i_1)}^{p_1} \cdots \delta_{\alpha(i_r)}^{p_r} \right) \left(\delta_{\beta(j_1)}^{q_1} \cdots \delta_{\beta(j_r)}^{q_r} \right) A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_r q_r} \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{i_1}^{p_1} & \cdots & \delta_{i_r}^{p_1} & \delta_{j_1}^{q_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{q_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{i_1}^{p_r} & \cdots & \delta_{i_r}^{p_r} & \delta_{j_1}^{q_r} & \cdots & \delta_{j_r}^{q_r} \end{vmatrix} A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_r q_r} \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \delta_{i_1 \cdots i_r}^{p_1 \cdots p_r} \delta_{j_1 \cdots j_r}^{q_1 \cdots q_r} A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_r q_r}. \end{aligned}$$

为讨论方便, 考虑 $\mathbf{A} = (A_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$, 此处 $i, j = 1, \dots, r$, 则有

$$\det \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{r!} \delta_1^{p_1 \cdots p_r} \delta_1^{q_1 \cdots q_r} A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_r q_r}.$$

考虑

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \det \mathbf{A}}{\partial A_{ij}} &= \frac{1}{r!} \delta_1^{p_1 \cdots p_r} \delta_1^{q_1 \cdots q_r} \left(\frac{\partial A_{p_1 q_1}}{\partial A_{ij}} A_{p_2 q_2} \cdots A_{p_r q_r} + \cdots + A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_{r-1} q_{r-1}} \frac{\partial A_{p_r q_r}}{\partial A_{ij}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \delta_1^{p_1 \cdots p_r} \delta_1^{q_1 \cdots q_r} \left(\delta_{p_1 i} \delta_{q_1 j} A_{p_2 q_2} \cdots A_{p_r q_r} + \cdots + A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_{r-1} q_{r-1}} \delta_{p_r i} \delta_{q_r j} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r!} \left(\delta_{12}^{i p_2 \cdots p_r} \delta_{12}^{j q_2 \cdots q_r} A_{p_2 q_2} \cdots A_{p_r q_r} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \cdots + \delta_{1 \cdots (r-1) r}^{p_1 \cdots p_{r-1} i} \delta_{1 \cdots (r-1) r}^{q_1 \cdots q_{r-1} j} A_{p_1 q_1} \cdots A_{p_{r-1} q_{r-1}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \delta_{12}^{i p_2 \cdots p_r} \delta_{12}^{j q_2 \cdots q_r} A_{p_2 q_2} \cdots A_{p_r q_r} =: (\operatorname{adj} \mathbf{A})_{ji}, \end{aligned}$$

式中 $\operatorname{adj} \mathbf{A}$ 表示矩阵 \mathbf{A} 的伴随矩阵, 即

$$\operatorname{adj} \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{11} & \cdots & \Delta_{1m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \Delta_{m1} & \cdots & \Delta_{mm} \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{11} & \cdots & \Delta_{m1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \Delta_{1m} & \cdots & \Delta_{mm} \end{pmatrix},$$

此处 Δ_{ij} 表示矩阵 \mathbf{A} 元素 A_{ij} 的代数余子式. 计算

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\text{adj}\mathbf{A})_{ji}A_{ik} &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \delta_{12\dots r}^{ip_2\dots p_r} \delta_{12\dots r}^{jq_2\dots q_r} A_{ik} A_{p_2q_2} \cdots A_{p_rq_r} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma \delta_{\sigma(1)}^i \delta_{\sigma(2)}^{p_2} \cdots \delta_{\sigma(r)}^{p_r} \right) A_{ik} A_{p_2q_2} \cdots A_{p_rq_r} \delta_{12\dots r}^{jq_2\dots q_r} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \text{sgn } \sigma A_{\sigma(1)k} A_{\sigma(2)q_2} \cdots A_{\sigma(r)q_r} \right) \delta_{12\dots r}^{jq_2\dots q_r} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \begin{vmatrix} A_{1k} & A_{1q_2} & \cdots & A_{1q_r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{rk} & A_{rq_2} & \cdots & A_{rq_r} \end{vmatrix} \delta_{12\dots r}^{jq_2\dots q_r} \\
 &= \frac{(-1)^j}{(r-1)!} \begin{vmatrix} A_{1k} & A_{1q_2} & \cdots & A_{1q_r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{rk} & A_{rq_2} & \cdots & A_{rq_r} \end{vmatrix} \delta_{1\dots j\dots r}^{q_2\dots j\dots q_r}
 \end{aligned}$$

式中 $\{q_2, \dots, q_r\}$ 只能为 $\{\sigma(1), \dots, \overset{\circ}{j}, \dots, \sigma(r)\}$, $\forall \sigma \in P_{r-1}$, 结合行列式的基本性质, 可见当 $j \neq k$ 时, 有 $(\text{adj}\mathbf{A})_{ji}A_{ik} = 0$. 当 $j = k$ 时, 有

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\text{adj}\mathbf{A})_{ji}A_{ij} &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \begin{vmatrix} A_{1q_2} & \cdots & A_{1j} & \cdots & A_{1q_r} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{rq_2} & \cdots & A_{rj} & \cdots & A_{rq_r} \end{vmatrix} \delta_{1\dots j\dots r}^{q_2\dots j\dots q_r} \quad (\text{对 } j \text{ 不求和}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_{r-1}} \begin{vmatrix} A_{1\sigma(1)} & \cdots & A_{1j} & \cdots & A_{1\sigma(r)} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{r\sigma(1)} & \cdots & A_{rj} & \cdots & A_{r\sigma(r)} \end{vmatrix} \delta_{1\dots j\dots r}^{\sigma(1)\dots j\dots \sigma(r)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_{r-1}} \text{sgn }^2 \sigma \right) \begin{vmatrix} A_{11} & \cdots & A_{1r} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_{r1} & \cdots & A_{rr} \end{vmatrix} = \det \mathbf{A},
 \end{aligned}$$

此处 $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & \overset{\circ}{j} & \cdots & r \\ \sigma(1) & \cdots & \sigma(\overset{\circ}{j}) & \cdots & \sigma(r) \end{pmatrix} \in P_{r-1}$. 综上, 有

$$(\text{adj}\mathbf{A})_{ji}A_{ik} = \delta_{jk} \det \mathbf{A}$$

或者当 $\det \mathbf{A} \neq 0$ 时, 有

$$\frac{\text{adj}\mathbf{A}}{\det \mathbf{A}} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}_r,$$

即有

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}\mathbf{A}}{\det \mathbf{A}}.$$

2.3 Eddington 张量

Eddington 张量的定义可基于外积运算, 其几何意义可理解为 Euclid 空间中的体积单元.

定义 2.2 (Eddington 张量). 设 $\{\mathbf{e}_i\}_{i=1}^m$ 为 \mathbb{R}^m 空间中的一组单位正交基, 定义

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{e}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_m \in \Lambda^m(\mathbb{R}^m),$$

称为 Eddington 张量.

考虑 $\forall \{\mathbf{e}_{(i)}\}_{i=1}^m$ 为 \mathbb{R}^m 的另一组单位正交基, 设有

$$\left(\mathbf{e}_{(1)} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{e}_{(m)} \right) = \left(\mathbf{e}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{e}_m \right) \mathbf{P},$$

其中 \mathbf{P} 为正交矩阵, 而且设 $\det \mathbf{P} = 1$. 由此即有 $\mathbf{e}_{(i)} = P_{si} \mathbf{e}_s$. 计算

$$\mathbf{e}_{(1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_{(m)} = (P_{s_1,1} \mathbf{e}_{s_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge (P_{s_m,m} \mathbf{e}_{s_m}) = P_{s_1,1} \cdots P_{s_m,m} \mathbf{e}_{s_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_{s_m}.$$

根据简单外形式的性质, s_1, \dots, s_m 中只要有任意两数相等, 结果即为零. 因此可有

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{e}_{(1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_{(m)} &= \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} P_{\sigma(1),1} \cdots P_{\sigma(m),m} \mathbf{e}_{\sigma(1)} \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_{\sigma(m)} \\ &= \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma P_{\sigma(1),1} \cdots P_{\sigma(m),m} \mathbf{e}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_m \\ &= \det(P_{ij}) \mathbf{e}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_m = \mathbf{e}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{e}_m, \end{aligned}$$

故 Eddington 张量的定义不依赖于单位正交基的选取.

对于一般基 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^m$, 设有

$$\left(\mathbf{g}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{g}_m \right) = \left(\mathbf{i}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{i}_m \right) \mathbf{P},$$

即有 $\mathbf{g}_i = P_{si} \mathbf{i}_s$. 所以

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_m &= (P_{s_1,1} \mathbf{i}_{s_1}) \wedge \cdots \wedge (P_{s_m,m} \mathbf{i}_{s_m}) = \det(P_{ij}) \mathbf{i}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{i}_m \\ &= \det \left(\mathbf{g}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{g}_m \right) \mathbf{i}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{i}_m, \end{aligned}$$

故有

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_m.$$

此处 $\sqrt{g} = \det \left(\mathbf{g}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{g}_m \right) > 0$ 称为体积单元. 同理可有 $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \sqrt{g} \mathbf{g}^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}^m$.

性质 2.7.

$$\varepsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_m} \varepsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_m} = \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_m} & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^{i_m} \end{vmatrix}$$

证明 根据张量分量和 Eddington 张量的定义, 可有

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_m} &= \varepsilon(\mathbf{g}^{i_1}, \cdots, \mathbf{g}^{i_m}) = \sqrt{g} \mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_m(\mathbf{g}^{i_1}, \cdots, \mathbf{g}^{i_m}) \\ &= \sqrt{g} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_1^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_1^{i_m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_m^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_m^{i_m} \end{vmatrix}, \\ \varepsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_m} &= \varepsilon(\mathbf{g}_{j_1}, \cdots, \mathbf{g}_{j_m}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \mathbf{g}^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}^m(\mathbf{g}_{j_1}, \cdots, \mathbf{g}_{j_m}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^1 & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^m & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^m \end{vmatrix},\end{aligned}$$

所以

$$\varepsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_m} \varepsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_m} = \begin{vmatrix} \delta_1^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_1^{i_m} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_m^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_m^{i_m} \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^1 & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^m & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^m \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \delta_{j_1}^{i_1} & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^{i_1} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \delta_{j_1}^{i_m} & \cdots & \delta_{j_m}^{i_m} \end{vmatrix}.$$

上式最后一步利用了行列式的性质??(第??页), 即关系式 $\det(\mathbf{AB}) = \det \mathbf{A} \det \mathbf{B}$. □

2.4 Hodge 星算子

Hodge 星算子的定义基于外积运算.

定义 2.3 (Hodge 星算子). Hodge 星算子用映照形式可以表示为

$$*: \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m) \ni \Phi \mapsto *\Phi \in \Lambda^s(\mathbb{R}^m), \quad s = m - r,$$

满足

$$\varepsilon \diamond (\Phi \wedge \Psi) = (*\Phi) \diamond \Psi \triangleq \frac{1}{s!} (*\Phi) \odot \Psi, \quad \forall \Psi \in \Lambda^s(\mathbb{R}^m).$$

此处 $\varepsilon \in \Lambda^m(\mathbb{R}^m)$ 为 m 阶 Eddington 张量, 运算 \diamond 称为外全点积.

性质 2.8 (Hodge 星算子基本性质). Hodge 星算子具有如下基本性质:

1. 对 $\forall \Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 有

$$*\Phi = \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \varepsilon \binom{r}{\cdot} \Phi, \quad s = m - r;$$

2. 对 $\forall \Phi \in \Lambda^r(\mathbb{R}^m)$, 有

$$**\Phi = (-1)^{rs} \Phi, \quad s = m - r.$$

证明 可直接通过张量整体形式的计算, 证明 Hodge 星算子的基本性质.

1. 计算

$$\begin{aligned}
\varepsilon \diamond (\Phi \wedge \Psi) &= \varepsilon \diamond \left(\frac{1}{r!s!} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s} \mathbf{g}^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{g}^{i_r} \wedge \mathbf{g}^{j_1} \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{g}^{j_s} \right) \\
&= \varepsilon \diamond \left[\frac{m!}{r!s!} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s} \mathcal{A} (\mathbf{g}^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{i_r} \otimes \mathbf{g}^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{j_s}) \right] \\
&= \varepsilon \diamond \left[\frac{1}{r!s!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s} \mathbf{g}^{\sigma^{-1}(i_1)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{\sigma^{-1}(i_r)} \otimes \mathbf{g}^{\sigma^{-1}(j_1)} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{\sigma^{-1}(j_s)} \right] \\
&= \varepsilon \diamond \left[\frac{1}{r!s!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi_{\sigma(i_1) \dots \sigma(i_r)} \Psi_{\sigma(j_1) \dots \sigma(j_s)} \mathbf{g}^{i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{i_r} \otimes \mathbf{g}^{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{j_s} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{r!s!m!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi_{\sigma(i_1) \dots \sigma(i_r)} \Psi_{\sigma(j_1) \dots \sigma(j_s)} \varepsilon^{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s} \\
&= \frac{1}{r!s!m!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s} \varepsilon^{\sigma^{-1}(i_1) \dots \sigma^{-1}(i_r) \sigma^{-1}(j_1) \dots \sigma^{-1}(j_s)} \\
&= \frac{1}{r!s!m!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_m} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma^{-1} \varepsilon^{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s} \\
&= \frac{1}{r!s!} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s} \varepsilon^{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s}.
\end{aligned}$$

另有

$$(*\Phi) \diamond \Psi = \frac{1}{s!} (*\Phi)^{j_1 \dots j_s} \Psi_{j_1 \dots j_s},$$

所以, 有

$$(*\Phi)^{j_1 \dots j_s} = \frac{1}{r!} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \varepsilon^{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s} = \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \varepsilon^{j_1 \dots j_s i_1 \dots i_r} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r},$$

即有

$$*\Phi = \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \varepsilon \binom{r}{\cdot} \Phi.$$

2. 计算

$$\begin{aligned}
(\Phi) &= * \left[\frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \varepsilon \binom{r}{\cdot} \Phi \right] = \frac{(-1)^{sr}}{s!} \varepsilon \binom{s}{\cdot} \left[\frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \varepsilon \binom{r}{\cdot} \Phi \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{r!s!} \varepsilon \binom{s}{\cdot} \left[\varepsilon \binom{r}{\cdot} \Phi \right] = \frac{1}{r!s!} \varepsilon \binom{s}{\cdot} (\varepsilon^{j_1 \dots j_s i_1 \dots i_r} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \mathbf{g}_{j_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{j_s}) \\
&= \frac{1}{r!s!} \varepsilon_{k_1 \dots k_r j_1 \dots j_s} \varepsilon^{j_1 \dots j_s i_1 \dots i_r} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!s!} \varepsilon_{k_1 \dots k_r j_1 \dots j_s} \varepsilon^{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!s!} \delta_{k_1 \dots k_r j_1 \dots j_s}^{i_1 \dots i_r j_1 \dots j_s} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \delta_{k_1 \dots k_r}^{i_1 \dots i_r} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \delta_{\sigma(k_1)}^{i_1} \dots \delta_{\sigma(k_r)}^{i_r} \Phi_{i_1 \dots i_r} \right) \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} \\
&= \frac{(-1)^{rs}}{r!} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_r} \operatorname{sgn} \sigma \Phi_{\sigma(i_1) \dots \sigma(i_r)} \right) \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} \\
&= (-1)^{rs} \Phi_{k_1 \dots k_r} \mathbf{g}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbf{g}^{k_r} = (-1)^{rs} \Phi. \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

作为例子, 考虑 $\forall \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, 则 $\mathbf{a} \wedge \mathbf{b} \in \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$, 且有

$$\begin{aligned} *(\mathbf{a} \wedge \mathbf{b}) &= \frac{(-1)^{2 \times 1}}{2!} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} (\mathbf{a} \wedge \mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} [2\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b})] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} \left[\sum_{\sigma \in P_2} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma (a_i b_j \mathbf{g}^i \otimes \mathbf{g}^j) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} [a_i b_j (\mathbf{g}^i \otimes \mathbf{g}^j - \mathbf{g}^j \otimes \mathbf{g}^i)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\varepsilon^{ijk} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_k - \varepsilon^{jik} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_k) = \varepsilon^{ijk} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3. \end{aligned}$$

亦即, 对 \mathbb{R}^3 中任意 2 个向量的叉乘, 可通过两者的外积再取 Hodge 算子来表示.

再考虑 $\forall \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^4$, 则 $\mathbf{a} \wedge \mathbf{b} \in \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^4)$, 且有

$$\begin{aligned} *(\mathbf{a} \wedge \mathbf{b}) &= \frac{(-1)^{2 \times 2}}{2!} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} (\mathbf{a} \wedge \mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} [2\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{a} \otimes \mathbf{b})] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} \left[\sum_{\sigma \in P_2} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma (a_i b_j \mathbf{g}^i \otimes \mathbf{g}^j) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \binom{2}{\cdot} [a_i b_j (\mathbf{g}^i \otimes \mathbf{g}^j - \mathbf{g}^j \otimes \mathbf{g}^i)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\varepsilon^{stij} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_s \otimes \mathbf{g}_t - \varepsilon^{stji} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_s \otimes \mathbf{g}_t) = \varepsilon^{stij} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_s \otimes \mathbf{g}_t \in \mathcal{T}^2(\mathbb{R}^4) \\ &= \varepsilon^{\sigma^{-1}(s)\sigma^{-1}(t)ij} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(s)} \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(t)}, \quad \forall \sigma \in P_2 \\ &= \varepsilon^{stij} a_i b_j [\text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma (\mathbf{g}_s \otimes \mathbf{g}_t)], \quad \forall \sigma \in P_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2!} \varepsilon^{stij} a_i b_j \left[\sum_{\sigma \in P_2} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma (\mathbf{g}_s \otimes \mathbf{g}_t) \right] = \varepsilon^{stij} a_i b_j \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{g}_s \otimes \mathbf{g}_t) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{stij} a_i b_j \mathbf{g}_s \wedge \mathbf{g}_t. \end{aligned}$$

另考虑 $\{\mathbf{g}_i\}_{i=1}^{p+1} \subset \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$ 为一个基, 而 $\{\mathbf{g}^i\}_{i=1}^{p+1} \subset \mathbb{R}^{p+1}$ 为其对偶基, 可计算

$$\begin{aligned} *(\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_p) &= \frac{(-1)^{p \times 1}}{p!} \varepsilon \binom{p}{\cdot} (\mathbf{g}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}_p) = \frac{(-1)^p}{p!} \varepsilon \binom{p}{\cdot} [p! \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{g}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_p)] \\ &= \frac{(-1)^p}{p!} \varepsilon \binom{p}{\cdot} \left[\sum_{\sigma \in P_p} \text{sgn } \sigma I_\sigma (\mathbf{g}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_p) \right] \\ &= \frac{(-1)^p}{p!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_p} \text{sgn } \sigma \varepsilon \binom{p}{\cdot} \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(1)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{g}_{\sigma(p)} = \frac{(-1)^p}{p!} \sum_{\sigma \in P_p} \text{sgn } \sigma \varepsilon_{s\sigma(1)\cdots\sigma(p)} \mathbf{g}^s \\ &= \frac{(-1)^p}{p!} \left(\sum_{\sigma \in P_p} \text{sgn }^2 \sigma \right) \varepsilon_{s1\cdots p} \mathbf{g}^s = \varepsilon_{s1\cdots p} \mathbf{g}^{p+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \mathbf{g}^{p+1}. \end{aligned}$$

此处 $\sqrt{g} = \det \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{g}_p & \mathbf{g}_{p+1} \end{pmatrix}$. 上述分析中利用了

$$\varepsilon_{1\cdots p(p+1)} \triangleq \varepsilon(\mathbf{g}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{g}_{p+1}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \mathbf{g}^1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \mathbf{g}^{p+1}(\mathbf{g}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{g}_{p+1}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}.$$

3 建立路径

- 置换运算的基本性质决定了置换算子的基本性质; 而置换算子的基本性质又决定了外积运算的基本性质. 亦即, 置换运算及其基本性质是本质.

- 外积运算可谓“一种神奇的运算”, 藉此可以解释诸多反对称张量的内在性质.