

MATH35001: EXAMPLE SHEET¹ I

1.) Which of these equations in index notation are valid? Remember the summation convention!

a) $c = a_i b_i$

b) $c = a_{ij} b_i$

c) $c_i = a_{ij} b_i$

d) $c_i = a_{ij} b_j$

e) $c_i = a_{ji} b_j$

f) $\sigma_{ij} = \alpha_{ij} T + E_{ijkl} e_{kl}$

g) $\sigma_{ij} = \alpha_{kl} T_i + E_{ijkl} e_{ij}$

h) $k_{ijkl} = a_i b_{kl} c_{njm} d_{mn} + e_{ik} e_{jn} f_{nl}$

2.) Using a comma to denote partial differentiation (e.g. $\partial u / \partial x_2 = u_{,2}$), transform the following expressions into index notation:

a) $\nabla u(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

b) $\underline{\mathbf{A}} = \nabla \mathbf{u}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ (Hint: $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$ is a matrix).

c) $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = f(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

d) $\nabla^2 u(x_1, x_2, x_3) = f(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

e) $\nabla^2 \mathbf{u}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \mathbf{f}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$

3.) a) Show that $\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial x_j} = \delta_{ij}$.

b) Show that $\delta_{ii} = 3$.

c) For arbitrary vectors u_i and v_i show that

$$S_{ij} = u_i v_j + u_j v_i$$

is symmetric (i.e. $S_{ij} = S_{ji}$) and that

$$T_{ij} = u_i v_j - u_j v_i$$

is antisymmetric (i.e. $T_{ij} = -T_{ji}$).

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