

Brief Introduction to Tensor Algebra

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I. Basic concepts

1. different coordinate systems

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a. contravariant and covariant components

For basis $\mathbf{g}_1, \mathbf{g}_2, \mathbf{g}_3$:

non-coplanar condition: $(\mathbf{g}_1 \times \mathbf{g}_2) \cdot \mathbf{g}_3 \neq 0$

$$\mathbf{u} = u^1 \mathbf{g}_1 + u^2 \mathbf{g}_2 + u^3 \mathbf{g}_3 = u^i \mathbf{g}_i \quad (1)$$

For reciprocal basis $\mathbf{g}^1, \mathbf{g}^2, \mathbf{g}^3$:

$$\mathbf{g}^i \cdot \mathbf{g}_j = \delta_j^i \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = u_1 \mathbf{g}^1 + u_2 \mathbf{g}^2 + u_3 \mathbf{g}^3 = u_i \mathbf{g}^i \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{g}^j = u^i \mathbf{g}_i \cdot \mathbf{g}^j = u^i \delta_i^j = u^j \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{g}_j = u^i \mathbf{g}^i \cdot \mathbf{g}_j = u_i \delta_j^i = u_j \quad (5)$$

u^i : contravariant components

u_i : covariant components

\mathbf{g}^i : contravariant base vectors

\mathbf{g}_i : covariant base vectors

b. Relationship between contravariant and covariant components

$$u^i = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{g}^i = (u_k \mathbf{g}^k) \cdot \mathbf{g}^i = u_k (\mathbf{g}^k \cdot \mathbf{g}^i) \quad (6)$$

$$u_i = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{g}_i = (u^k \mathbf{g}_k) \cdot \mathbf{g}_i = u^k (\mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{g}_i) \quad (7)$$

Introducing metric tensor:

$$g_{ik} = \mathbf{g}_i \cdot \mathbf{g}_k, \quad (8)$$

$$g^{ik} = \mathbf{g}^i \cdot \mathbf{g}^k \quad (9)$$

The relationship between contravariant and covariant components :

$$u^i = g^{ik} u_k \quad (10)$$

$$u_i = g_{ik} u^k \quad (11)$$

The relationship between contravariant and covariant base vectors:

$$\mathbf{g}_i = g_{ij} \mathbf{g}^j \quad (12)$$

$$\mathbf{g}^i = g^{ij} \mathbf{g}_j \quad (13)$$

c. Calculations of g_{ij} and g^{ij}

$$\mathbf{g}_i = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial x^i} \quad (14)$$

where \mathbf{r} is position vector. In rectangular cartesian coordinates:

$$\mathbf{r} = y_1 \mathbf{a}_1 + y_2 \mathbf{a}_2 + y_3 \mathbf{a}_3 \quad (15)$$

The covariant base vectors can be expressed as :

$$\mathbf{g}_i = \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x^i} \mathbf{a}_1 + \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x^i} \mathbf{a}_2 + \frac{\partial y_3}{\partial x^i} \mathbf{a}_3 \quad (16)$$

$$g_{ik} = \mathbf{g}_i \cdot \mathbf{g}_k = \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial x^k} \quad (17)$$

To find g^{ij} ,

$$\mathbf{g}^1 = \frac{\mathbf{g}_2 \times \mathbf{g}_3}{\mathbf{g}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{g}_2 \times \mathbf{g}_3)} \quad (18)$$

$$\mathbf{g}^2 = \frac{\mathbf{g}_3 \times \mathbf{g}_1}{\mathbf{g}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{g}_2 \times \mathbf{g}_3)} \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbf{g}^3 = \frac{\mathbf{g}_1 \times \mathbf{g}_2}{\mathbf{g}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{g}_2 \times \mathbf{g}_3)} \quad (20)$$

$$g^{ij} = (g_{rs} g_{mn} - g_{rn} g_{ms}) / g \quad (21)$$

where

$$i = 1 : r = 2, m = 3; \quad j = 1 : s = 2, n = 3 \quad (22)$$

$$i = 2 : r = 3, m = 1; \quad j = 2 : s = 3, n = 1 \quad (23)$$

$$i = 3 : r = 1, m = 2; \quad j = 3 : s = 1, n = 2 \quad (24)$$

where g is the determinant of the metric tensor.

The Jacobian value of the coordinate transformation:

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x^3} \\ \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x^3} \\ \frac{\partial y_3}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial y_3}{\partial x^2} & \frac{\partial y_3}{\partial x^3} \end{vmatrix} = \sqrt{g} \quad (25)$$

another expression of g^{ik}

$$g^{ik} = \mathbf{g}^i \cdot \mathbf{g}^k = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial y_k} \frac{\partial x^j}{\partial y_k} \quad (26)$$

Some examples:

Rectangular cartesian coordinates,

$$g_{ij} = \delta_{ij}.$$

Cylindrical polar coordinates,

$$g_{11} = 1, g_{22} = \rho^2, g_{33} = 1, \text{ and } g_{12} = g_{23} = g_{31} = 0.$$

Orthogonal curvilinear coordinates,

$$g_{ij} = 0, i \neq j.$$

d. Dot products in general coordinates

1) Scalar products of two vectors

In generalized coordinates

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (u^i \mathbf{g}_i) \cdot (v_j \mathbf{g}^j) \quad (27)$$

according to

$$\mathbf{g}_i \cdot \mathbf{g}^j = \delta_i^j \quad (28)$$

we obtain:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u^i v_i \quad (29)$$

2) dot products of second order tensors

$$\mathbf{T} = T_{ij} \mathbf{g}^i \mathbf{g}^j \quad \mathbf{S} = S^{kl} \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_l \quad (30)$$

The dot products:

$$\mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{S} = (T_{ij} \mathbf{g}^i \mathbf{g}^j) \cdot (S^{kl} \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_l) \quad (31)$$

$$= T_{ij} \mathbf{g}^i \delta_k^j S^{kl} \mathbf{g}_l \quad (32)$$

$$= T_{ij} S^{jl} \mathbf{g}^i \mathbf{g}_l \quad (33)$$

3) double dot products of second order tensors

The definition of double dot product:

$$(\mathbf{ab}) : (\mathbf{cd}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d}) \quad (34)$$

$$\mathbf{T} : \mathbf{S} = (T_{ij} \mathbf{g}^i \mathbf{g}^j) : (S^{kl} \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_l) \quad (35)$$

$$= T_{ij} S^{kl} (\mathbf{g}^i \cdot \mathbf{g}_k)(\mathbf{g}^j \cdot \mathbf{g}_l) \quad (36)$$

$$= T_{ij} S^{ij} \quad (37)$$

II. Differentiation of tensors

1. The differentiation of base vectors

1) derivatives of base vectors

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} = \Gamma_{ij}^1 \mathbf{g}_1 + \Gamma_{ij}^2 \mathbf{g}_2 + \Gamma_{ij}^3 \mathbf{g}_3 = \Gamma_{ij}^k \mathbf{g}_k \quad (38)$$

– Γ_{ij}^k Christoffel symbols of the second kind.

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k \mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{g}^l = \Gamma_{ij}^k \delta_k^l = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} \cdot \mathbf{g}^l \quad (39)$$

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} \cdot \mathbf{g}^k \quad (40)$$

Christoffel symbols of the first kind:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} = \Gamma_{ij1} \mathbf{g}^1 + \Gamma_{ij2} \mathbf{g}^2 + \Gamma_{ij3} \mathbf{g}^3 = \Gamma_{ijk} \mathbf{g}^k \quad (41)$$

Formulas for the Christoffel symbols of the first kind are

$$\Gamma_{ijk} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} \cdot \mathbf{g}_k \quad (42)$$

Calculation of Christoffel symbols

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial x^i} = \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}}{\partial x^j \partial x^i} \quad (43)$$

and

$$\mathbf{g}^k = \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y_l} \quad (44)$$

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{\partial^2 y_l}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \frac{\partial x^k}{\partial y_l} \quad (45)$$

and

$$\Gamma_{ijk} = \frac{\partial^2 y_l}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} \frac{\partial y_l}{\partial x^k} \quad (46)$$

2) The relationship between the Christoffel symbols

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} \cdot \mathbf{g}^k = \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} \cdot g^{kl} \mathbf{g}_l = g^{kl} \Gamma_{ijl} \quad (47)$$

similarly,

$$\Gamma_{ijk} = g_{kl} \Gamma_{ij}^l \quad (48)$$

$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}^j}{\partial x^k}$?

$$\mathbf{g}_i \cdot \mathbf{g}^j = \delta_i^j \quad (49)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^k} \cdot \mathbf{g}^j + \mathbf{g}_i \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}^j}{\partial x^k} = 0 \quad (50)$$

$$\Gamma_{ik}^j = -\mathbf{g}_i \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}^j}{\partial x^k} \quad (51)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{g}^j}{\partial x^k} = -\Gamma_{ik}^j \mathbf{g}^i \quad (52)$$

3) Examples of Christoffel symbols:

(1) Cartesian coordinates (rectangular or generalized cartesian)

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \Gamma_{ijk} = 0 \quad (53)$$

(2) Cylindrical polars

In cylindrical polar, all the components of Γ_{ij}^k are zero except for

$$\Gamma_{12}^2 = \Gamma_{21}^2 = \frac{1}{\rho}, \quad \Gamma_{22}^1 = -\rho \quad (54)$$

or the Christoffel symbol of the first kind,

$$\Gamma_{122} = \Gamma_{212} = \rho, \quad \Gamma_{221} = -\rho \quad (55)$$

(3) Spherical polars

non-zero components of Christoffel symbols for spherical polar coordinates are

$$\Gamma_{12}^2 = \Gamma_{21}^2 = \frac{1}{r}, \quad \Gamma_{13}^3 = \Gamma_{31}^3 = \frac{1}{r} \quad (56)$$

$$\Gamma_{22}^1 = -r, \quad \Gamma_{23}^3 = \Gamma_{32}^3 = \cos\theta, \quad \Gamma_{33}^1 = -r \sin^2\theta, \quad \Gamma_{33}^2 = -\sin\theta \cos\theta \quad (57)$$

2. Covariant derivatives of vector fields

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^j} = u^i \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_i}{\partial x^j} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^j} \mathbf{g}_i \quad (58)$$

$$= u^i \Gamma_{ij}^k \mathbf{g}_k + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^j} \mathbf{g}_i = \left(\frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^j} + \Gamma_{kj}^i u^k \right) \mathbf{g}_i \quad (59)$$

The covariant derivative of the contravariant vector u^i .

$$u^i_{;j} = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^j} + \Gamma_{kj}^i u^k \quad (60)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^j} = u_i \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}^i}{\partial x^j} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x^j} \mathbf{g}^i \quad (61)$$

$$= -u_i \Gamma_{kj}^i \mathbf{g}^k + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x^j} \mathbf{g}^i = \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x^j} - \Gamma_{ij}^k u_k \right) \mathbf{g}^i \quad (62)$$

The covariant derivative of the covariant vector u_i

$$u_{i,j} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x^j} - \Gamma_{ij}^k u_k \quad (63)$$

The relationship between these two kinds of covariant derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^j} = u_{i,j} \mathbf{g}^i = u_{,j}^i \mathbf{g}_i = u_{,j}^i g_{ik} \mathbf{g}^k = u_{,j}^k g_{ki} \mathbf{g}^i \quad (64)$$

So

$$u_{i,j} = g_{ik} u_{,j}^k \quad (65)$$

3. Grad, div and curl

1) gradient of a scalar

The grad operator

$$grad = \nabla = \mathbf{g}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \quad (66)$$

The gradient of a scalar:

$$grad\phi = \nabla\phi = \mathbf{g}^i \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^i} \quad (67)$$

$$grad\phi = \mathbf{g}^i \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^i} = g^{ij} \mathbf{g}_j \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^i} \quad (68)$$

2) gradient of a vector

$$gradu = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} \mathbf{g}^i \quad (69)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} = \left(\frac{\partial u^k}{\partial x^i} + u^j \Gamma_{ij}^k \right) \mathbf{g}_k = u_{,i}^k \mathbf{g}_k \quad (70)$$

$$gradu = u_{,i}^k \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}^i \quad (71)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} = u_{k,i} \mathbf{g}^k \quad (72)$$

$$\mathit{grad} \mathbf{u} = v_{k,i} \mathbf{g}^k \mathbf{g}^i \quad (73)$$

3) divergence of a vector

$$\mathit{div} \mathbf{u} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} \cdot \mathbf{g}^i \quad (74)$$

from

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} = \left(\frac{\partial u^k}{\partial x^i} + u^j \Gamma_{ij}^k \right) \mathbf{g}_k = u_{,i}^k \mathbf{g}_k \quad (75)$$

$$\mathit{div} \mathbf{u} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} \cdot \mathbf{g}^i \quad (76)$$

$$= u_{,i}^k \mathbf{g}_k \cdot \mathbf{g}^i \quad (77)$$

$$= u_{,i}^i \quad (78)$$

$$u_{,i}^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^i} + u^j \Gamma_{ij}^i \quad (79)$$

$$\Gamma_{ij}^i = \frac{\partial \ln(\sqrt{g})}{\partial x^j} \quad (80)$$

so

$$u_{,i}^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^i} + u^j \frac{\partial \ln(\sqrt{g})}{\partial x^j} \quad (81)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (\sqrt{g} u^i) \quad (82)$$

$$\mathit{div} \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} (\sqrt{g} u^i) \quad (83)$$

4) divergence of a second-order tensor

A second order tensor can be written as

$$\mathbf{T} = T^{ij} \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_j \quad (84)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{T}}{\partial x^k} = \frac{\partial T^{ij}}{\partial x^k} \mathbf{g}_i + T^{ij} \mathbf{g}_i \Gamma_{jk}^m \mathbf{g}_m \quad (85)$$

$$= \frac{\partial T^{ij}}{\partial x^k} \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_j + T^{ij} \Gamma_{ik}^m \mathbf{g}_m \mathbf{g}_j + T^{ij} \mathbf{g}_i \Gamma_{jk}^m \mathbf{g}_m \quad (86)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{T}}{\partial x^k} \cdot \mathbf{g}^k = \frac{\partial T^{ik}}{\partial x^k} \mathbf{g}_i + T^{ik} \Gamma_{ik}^m \mathbf{g}_m + T^{ij} \mathbf{g}_i \Gamma_{jk}^k \quad (87)$$

$$= \frac{\partial T^{ik}}{\partial x^k} \mathbf{g}_i + T^{jk} \Gamma_{jk}^i \mathbf{g}_i + T^{ij} \Gamma_{jk}^k \mathbf{g}_i \quad (88)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{T} = T_{,k}^{ik} \mathbf{g}_i \quad (89)$$

$$\mathbf{T} = T_{ij} \mathbf{g}^i \mathbf{g}^j \quad (90)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{T} = g^{jk} T_{ij,k} \mathbf{g}^i \quad (91)$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{T}_j^i \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}^j \quad (92)$$

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{T} = g^{jk} T_{j,k}^i \mathbf{g}_i \quad (93)$$

where

$$T_{,k}^{ij} = \frac{\partial T^{ij}}{\partial x^k} + \Gamma_{mk}^i T^{mj} + \Gamma_{mk}^j T^{im} \quad (94)$$

$$T_{ij,k} = \frac{\partial T_{ij}}{\partial x^k} - \Gamma_{ik}^m T_{mj} - \Gamma_{jk}^m T_{im} \quad (95)$$

$$T_{j,k}^i = \frac{\partial T_j^i}{\partial x^k} + \Gamma_{mk}^i T_{mj} - \Gamma_{jk}^m T_m^i \quad (96)$$

5) curl of vectors

$$\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{g}^i \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} \quad (97)$$

$$\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} e^{ijk} u_{k,j} \mathbf{g}_i \quad (98)$$

where e^{ijk} are the permutation symbols.

$$e_{ijk} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if any of } i, j, k \text{ are the same} \\ +1 & \text{if } (i, j, k) \text{ is a cyclic permutation of } (1, 2, 3) \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (99)$$

III. Tensor expression of basic terms in fluid mechanics

1. convective terms

The acceleration term:

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \text{grad})\mathbf{u} \quad (100)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\text{grad}\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{u} \quad (101)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \text{div}(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{u}(\text{div}\mathbf{u}) \quad (102)$$

$$= \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \text{grad}\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}\right) + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{u} \quad (103)$$

1) $(\mathbf{u} \cdot \text{grad})\mathbf{u}$

$$\mathbf{u} = u^i \mathbf{g}_i \quad (104)$$

$$\text{grad} = \mathbf{g}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \quad (105)$$

$$(\mathbf{u} \cdot \text{grad})\mathbf{u} = u^i \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x^i} \quad (106)$$

$$= u^i u^j_{,i} \mathbf{g}_j \quad (107)$$

2) $\text{div}(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u})$

$$\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u} = u^i u^j \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_j \quad (108)$$

$$\text{div}(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}) = (u^i u^k)_{,k} \mathbf{g}_i \quad (109)$$

3) $\text{grad}\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}\right)$

$$\text{grad}\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}\right) = \frac{1}{2}u^i u_i = \frac{1}{2}g_{ij}u^i u^j \quad (110)$$

2. pressure gradient term

$$\nabla\eta = \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial x^i}\mathbf{g}^i \quad (111)$$

$$= \frac{\partial\eta}{\partial x^i}g^{ij}\mathbf{g}_j = \eta^{!j}\mathbf{g}_j \quad (112)$$

where $\eta^{!j}$ is the contravariant component of the gradient.

3. diffusion terms

$$\mathit{div}\mathbf{T} = \mathit{div}(\nu\mathbf{D}) \quad (113)$$

D is the rate-of-strain tensor:

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{2}[\mathit{grad}\mathbf{u} + (\mathit{grad}\mathbf{u})^T] \quad (114)$$

$(\mathit{grad}\mathbf{u})^T$ is the transpose of $\mathit{grad}\mathbf{u}$.

$$\mathit{div}\mathbf{T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial\sqrt{g_0}\nu D^{ik}}{\partial x^k}\mathbf{a}_i + \nu D^{jk}\Gamma_{jk}^i\mathbf{a}_i \quad (115)$$

Smagorinsky's subgrid turbulence

In rectangular cartesian coordinates:

$$\nu_s = c\Delta x\Delta y\frac{1}{2}|\mathit{grad}\mathbf{u} + (\mathit{grad}\mathbf{u})^T| \quad (116)$$

In curvilinear coordinates:

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_s &= c\sqrt{g_0}\Delta\xi_1\Delta\xi_2|\mathbf{D}| \\ &= c\sqrt{g_0}\Delta\xi_1\Delta\xi_2(\mathbf{D}:\mathbf{D})^{1/2} \\ &= c\sqrt{g_0}\Delta\xi_1\Delta\xi_2(D^{ij}D_{ij})^{1/2} \end{aligned} \quad (117)$$

IV. Two examples of coordinate transformations

1. Boussinesq equations in curvilinear coordinates

Boussinesq equations in rectangular cartesian coordinates:

$$\eta_t + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} = 0, \quad (118)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} = & (h + \eta)\mathbf{u} + (h + \eta)\left[\frac{z_\alpha^2}{2} - \frac{1}{6}(h^2 - h\eta + \eta^2)\right]\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) \\ & + (h + \eta)\left[z_\alpha + \frac{1}{2}(h - \eta)\right]\nabla[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u})], \end{aligned} \quad (119)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_t + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} + g\nabla\eta + \mathbf{V}_1 + \mathbf{V}_2 = 0, \quad (120)$$

$$\mathbf{V}_1 = \frac{z_\alpha^2}{2}\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_t) + z_\alpha\nabla[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}_t)] - \nabla\left[\frac{1}{2}\eta^2\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_t + \eta\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}_t)\right], \quad (121)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}_2 = & \nabla\{(z_\alpha - \eta)(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u})] + \frac{1}{2}(z_\alpha^2 - \eta^2)(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})\} \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\nabla\{[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}) + \eta\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}]^2\}. \end{aligned} \quad (122)$$

1) transformation of mass equation

$$\eta_t + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{M} = 0, \quad (123)$$

where \mathbf{M} is the depth-integrated volume flux given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M} = & (h + \eta)\mathbf{u} + (h + \eta)\left[\frac{z_\alpha^2}{2} - \frac{1}{6}(h^2 - h\eta + \eta^2)\right]\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) \\ & + (h + \eta)\left[z_\alpha + \frac{1}{2}(h - \eta)\right]\nabla[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u})], \end{aligned} \quad (124)$$

Tensor invariant forms:

$$\eta_t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} (\sqrt{g_0} M^k) = 0, \quad (125)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
M^k &= (h + \eta)u^k + (h + \eta)\left[\frac{z_\alpha^2}{2} - \frac{1}{6}(h^2 - h\eta + \eta^2)\right]\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}(\sqrt{g_0}u^l)\right]!^k \\
&\quad + (h + \eta)\left[z_\alpha + \frac{1}{2}(h - \eta)\right]\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}(\sqrt{g_0}hu^l)\right]!^k.
\end{aligned} \tag{126}$$

2)transformation of momentum equations

$$\mathbf{u}_t + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} + g\nabla\eta + \mathbf{V}_1 + \mathbf{V}_2 = 0, \tag{127}$$

The tensor invariant form:

$$\frac{\partial u^k}{\partial t} + g\eta!^k + u^l u_{,l}^k + V_1^k + V_2^k = 0, \tag{128}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_1 = \frac{z_\alpha^2}{2}\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_t) + z_\alpha \nabla[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}_t)] - \nabla\left[\frac{1}{2}\eta^2 \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}_t + \eta \nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}_t)\right], \tag{129}$$

Tensor invariant form:

$$\begin{aligned}
V_1^k &= \frac{z_\alpha^2}{2}\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}(\sqrt{g_0}u_t^l)\right]!^k \\
&\quad + z_\alpha\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}(\sqrt{g_0}hu_t^l)\right]!^k \\
&\quad - \left[\frac{\eta^2}{2\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}(\sqrt{g_0}u_t^l) + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{g_0}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^l}(\sqrt{g_0}hu_t^l)\right]!^k,
\end{aligned} \tag{130}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{V}_2 &= \nabla\{(z_\alpha - \eta)(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u})] + \frac{1}{2}(z_\alpha^2 - \eta^2)(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\nabla\{[\nabla \cdot (h\mathbf{u}) + \eta \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}]^2\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{131}$$

Tensor invariant form:

$$\begin{aligned}
V_2^k &= \{(z_\alpha - \eta)u^l \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} (\sqrt{g_0}hu^m) \right]\}!^k \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}(z_\alpha^2 - \eta^2)u^l \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} (\sqrt{g_0}u^m) \right]\}!^k \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\left\{ \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} (\sqrt{g_0}hu^l) + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{g_0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^l} (\sqrt{g_0}u^l) \right]^2 \right\}!^k,
\end{aligned} \tag{132}$$

2. Shorecirc equations in curvilinear coordinates

1) PS99, eqn (9) depth-integrated momentum equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\tilde{\mathbf{V}}h) + \nabla_H \cdot [(\tilde{V}^\alpha \tilde{V}^\beta h + \int_{-h_0}^{\bar{\zeta}} V_1^\alpha V_1^\beta dz + Q_w^\alpha V_1^\beta(\bar{\zeta}) + V_1^\alpha(\bar{\zeta}) Q_w^\beta) \mathbf{a}_\alpha \mathbf{a}_\beta] \\ + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla_H \cdot \mathbf{T} + \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla_H \cdot \mathbf{S} + gh \nabla \zeta - \frac{1}{\rho} \tau_s + \frac{1}{\rho} \tau_B = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (133)$$

tensor-invariant forms

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\tilde{V}^\alpha h) + (\tilde{V}^\alpha \tilde{V}^\beta h + \int_{-h_0}^{\bar{\zeta}} V_1^\alpha V_1^\beta dz + Q_w^\alpha V_1^\beta(\bar{\zeta}) + V_1^\alpha(\bar{\zeta}) Q_w^\beta)_{,\beta} \\ + \frac{1}{\rho} T_{,\beta}^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{\rho} S_{,\beta}^{\alpha\beta} + gh \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial \xi_\beta} g^{\beta\alpha} - \frac{1}{\rho} \tau_s^\alpha + \frac{1}{\rho} \tau_B^\alpha = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (134)$$

2) The general form of the horizontal momentum equation PS99 (10):

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_H}{\partial t} + (\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}))_H = -\frac{1}{\rho} (\nabla p)_H \quad (135)$$

where $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_H + \mathbf{w}$, $()_H$ means the horizontal components.

$$\begin{aligned} (\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}))_H &= (u^\alpha u^k)_{,k} \mathbf{a}_\alpha \\ &= \nabla_H \cdot (\mathbf{u}_H \mathbf{u}_H) + (u^\alpha w)_{,z} \mathbf{a}_\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (136)$$

where $\alpha = 1, 2$ and $k = 1, 2, 3$.

Expending $(u^\alpha w)_{,z}$ and using coordinate transformation

$$\begin{aligned} (u^\alpha w)_{,z} &= \frac{\partial u^\alpha w}{\partial z} + \Gamma_{\beta 3}^\alpha u^\beta w + \Gamma_{\beta 3}^3 u^\alpha u^\beta \\ &= \frac{\partial u^\alpha w}{\partial z} \end{aligned} \quad (137)$$

$$(\Gamma_{\beta 3}^\alpha = \Gamma_{\beta 3}^3 = 0) \quad (138)$$

$$(\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}))_H = \nabla_H \cdot (\mathbf{u}_H \mathbf{u}_H) + \frac{\partial u^\alpha w}{\partial z} \mathbf{a}_\alpha \quad (139)$$

In the tensor-invariant form:

$$\frac{\partial u^\alpha}{\partial t} + (u^\alpha u^\beta)_{,\beta} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(u^\alpha w) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \xi_\beta} g^{\beta\alpha} \quad (140)$$

Acceleration term in noninertial coordinates

Coordinate transformation:

$$x^i = x^i(y_1, y_2, y_3, t), \quad \tau = t \quad (141)$$

or inverse transformation:

$$y_m = y_m(x^1, x^2, x^3, \tau), \quad t = \tau \quad (142)$$

Acceleration term:

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{Dv^i}{D\tau} \mathbf{g}_i - \left(\frac{\partial w^i}{\partial \tau} + 2v^j w_{,j}^i - w^j w_{,j}^i \right) \mathbf{g}_i \quad (143)$$

where

$v^i = \frac{dx^i}{dt}$ — relative velocity components

$w^i = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial t} \Big|_{y_m}$ — frame velocity components