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## Tensor Invariants

 $I_{\underline{A}} \equiv trace\underline{\underline{A}} = tr\underline{\underline{A}}$ 

For the tensor written in Cartesian coordinates:  $\frac{3}{3}$ 

$$trace \underline{\underline{A}} = \sum_{p=1}^{3} A_{pp} = A_{11} + A_{22} + A_{33}$$
$$II_{\underline{\underline{A}}} \equiv trace(\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{A}}) = \underline{\underline{A}} : \underline{\underline{A}} = \sum_{p=1}^{3} \sum_{k=1}^{3} A_{pk} A_{kp}$$
$$III_{\underline{\underline{A}}} \equiv trace(\underline{\underline{A}} \cdot \underline{\underline{A}}) = \sum_{p=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} \sum_{h=1}^{3} A_{pj} A_{jh} A_{hp}$$

Note: the definitions of invariants written in terms of coefficients are only valid when the tensor is written in Cartesian coordinates.

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