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Let H be a quasisimple group of Lie type of characteristic p , and W a vector space over an algebraically closed field k of characteristic distinct from p . Suppose that H acts irreducibly on W and that G is a classical group with natural module W . Suppose also that G is chosen minimally with respect to containing H . We consider the question of when H can act irreducibly on a G constituents of $W^{\otimes e}$ and its relationship to the maximal subgroup problem to finite classical groups. (Received November 01, 2011)