

On Abstract Friedrichs Systems (The Skew-Selfadjoint Case).

ISEM23 virtually in Wuppertal

Rainer Picard
Department of Mathematics
TU Dresden, Germany

Introduction

Key idea of the solution theory of evolutionary equations:

Introduce an exponential weight function $t \mapsto \exp(-\rho t)$, $\rho \in \mathbb{R}$, to generate a weighted L^2 -space $H_{\rho,0}(\mathbb{R}, H)$ (inner product $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_{\rho,0,0}$, norm: $|\cdot|_{\rho,0,0}$), H a **real** Hilbert space,

$$(\varphi, \psi) \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{R}} \langle \varphi(t) | \psi(t) \rangle_H \exp(-2\rho t) dt.$$

Time-differentiation ∂_t is considered as a closed operator in $H_{\rho,0}(\mathbb{R}, H)$ induced by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathring{C}_1(\mathbb{R}, H) \subseteq H_{\rho,0}(\mathbb{R}, H) &\rightarrow H_{\rho,0}(\mathbb{R}, H), \\ \varphi &\mapsto \varphi'. \end{aligned}$$

Introduction

Time-differentiation ∂_t is a *normal* operator in $H_{\rho,0}(\mathbb{R}, H)$

$$\partial_t = \mathfrak{sym}(\partial_t) + \mathfrak{skw}(\partial_t) = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_t + \partial_t^*) + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_t - \partial_t^*)$$

with $\mathfrak{sym}(\partial_t)$ self-adjoint and $\mathfrak{skw}(\partial_t)$ skew-selfadjoint and commuting resolvents:

$$\mathfrak{sym}(\partial_t) = \rho.$$

For $\rho \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$: continuous invertibility of ∂_t . For $\rho \in]0, \infty[$:

$$\mathfrak{sym}(\partial_t) = \rho > 0.$$

Material laws: $M(\partial_0^{-1})$, here for simplicity

$$M(\partial_0^{-1}) = M_0 + \partial_0^{-1} M_1.$$

Introduction

For solving

$$\overline{\partial_0 M_0 + M_1 + A} U = F$$

we want $\overline{\partial_0 M_0 + M_1 + A}$ to be strictly m -accretive, i.e.

$$\overline{\partial_0 M_0 + M_1 + A}, (\partial_0 M_0 + M_1 + A)^* \geq c_0 > 0,$$

since then the associated equation is indeed a continuous linear bijection (normally solvable, i.e. closed range, and trivial null space). This is, however, the case **for sufficiently large ρ** , if $M_0 \geq 0$ **selfadjoint**, $\rho M_0 + \eta \mathfrak{m}(M_1) \geq c_0 > 0$ (**strictly positive definite**) for sufficiently large ρ and A m -accretive, i.e.

$$A, A^* \geq 0,$$

in a real Hilbert space H . In particular, we have (**weak=strong**)

$$(\partial_0 M_0 + M_1 + A)^* = \overline{\partial_0^* M_0 + M_1^* + A^*}.$$

Dynamic abstract Friedrichs system (Friedrichs 1954,1958):

$$\overline{\partial_0 M_0 + M_1 + A} = \overline{E_0 + \mathcal{A}}$$

E_0 symmetric strictly positive definite,

$$\mathcal{A} = \overline{(\partial_0 - \rho) M_0 + \text{skew}(M_1) + A}$$

m -accretive in $H_{\rho,0}(\mathbb{R}, H)$. W.l.o.g. $E_0 = 1$, since we have the

congruence

$$\sqrt{E_0} \left(1 + \sqrt{E_0^{-1}} \mathcal{A} \sqrt{E_0^{-1}} \right) \sqrt{E_0} = E_0 + \mathcal{A},$$

and note that

$$\sqrt{E_0^{-1}} \mathcal{A} \sqrt{E_0^{-1}}$$

remains m -accretive. Such **dynamic abstract Friedrichs systems** are of interest in the following. Béla Szökefalvi-Nagy 1953, [1], (Ian Wood 2016), showed that every m -accretive operator S has a skew-selfadjoint extension $\mathcal{S} \supseteq S$, a so-called **dilation**, such that

$$(1 + S)^{-1} = \iota_X^* (1 + \mathcal{S})^{-1} \iota_X, X \text{ closed subspace of } H, \iota_X : X \rightarrow H, x \mapsto x.$$

Indeed, our core topic focuses on the case, where the operator A (or \mathcal{A}) is **skew-selfadjoint**.

Five Tools for Establishing Skew-Selfadjointness

Tool 1: Abstract grad-div Systems.

A standard form of skew-selfadjoint operators is given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where G is a closed densely defined linear operator (**Tool 0**).

For so-called abstract grad – div systems we have

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} G_1 \\ \vdots \\ G_n \end{pmatrix} : D(G) \subseteq H_0 \rightarrow H_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus H_n.$$

Thus, the range space is a **direct sum of real Hilbert spaces** (in the eponymous case of grad – div systems $G_k = \dot{\partial}_k$ or $G_k = \partial_k$ but in general G_k are just linear operators, which need **not** even be necessarily **closable**).

Application: Acoustics with Damping Boundary Condition

$$\text{Acoustics: } A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -(\text{div})^* \\ \text{div} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{grad} \\ \text{div} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left(\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \rho_* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + A \right) \begin{pmatrix} v \\ p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$\kappa = \rho_* c_*^2$ bulk modulus, ρ_* mass density, c_* speed of sound.

We expand this to

$$\left(\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \rho_* & (0 \ 0) \\ (0) & (\kappa^{-1} \ 0) \\ (0) & (0 \ 0) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (0 \ 0) \\ (0) & (0 \ 0) \\ (0) & (0 \ \beta_*) \end{pmatrix} + \tilde{A} \right) \begin{pmatrix} v \\ p \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \\ h \end{pmatrix}.$$

Application: Acoustics with Damping Boundary Condition

Here

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} (0) & - \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{array} \right)^* \\ \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{array} \right) & \left(\begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$\delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} f = n^\top f \in L^2(\partial\Omega),$$

$$(\delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} f)(\varphi) = \int_{\partial\Omega} \varphi n^\top f \text{Vol}_{\partial\Omega} = \langle \varphi | n^\top f \rangle_{L^2(\partial\Omega)}.$$

Third equation:

$$\beta_* \tau + \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} v = h.$$

We note

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{div} \\ 0 \end{array} \right) \subseteq \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{array} \right)$$

and so

$$- \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{array} \right)^* \subseteq (\text{grad } 0).$$

Application: Acoustics with Damping Boundary Condition

What does it mean if $\begin{pmatrix} p \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \in \text{dom} \left(\left(\begin{pmatrix} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{pmatrix} \right)^* \right)$?

From

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{pmatrix}^* \subseteq (-\text{grad } 0)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{grad } p | w \rangle &= \left\langle (\text{grad } 0) \begin{pmatrix} p \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} | w \right\rangle = \left\langle - \begin{pmatrix} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{pmatrix}^* \begin{pmatrix} p \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} | w \right\rangle \\ &= - \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} p \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} | \begin{pmatrix} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} \end{pmatrix} w \right\rangle = - \langle p | \text{div } w \rangle - \langle \tau | \delta_{\text{div}, \partial\Omega} w \rangle \end{aligned}$$

that is

$$\langle \text{grad } p | w \rangle + \langle p | \text{div } w \rangle = - \int_{\partial\Omega} \tau (n^\top w) \text{Vol}_{\partial\Omega}.$$

Application: Acoustics with Damping Boundary Condition

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \text{grad } p | w \rangle + \langle p | \text{div } w \rangle &= \int_{\Omega} (\text{grad } p) w \text{Vol}_{\Omega} + \int_{\Omega} p (\text{div } w) \text{Vol}_{\Omega} \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega} p (n^{\top} w) \text{Vol}_{\partial\Omega}\end{aligned}$$

and so by comparison $\tau = -\delta_{\text{grad},\partial\Omega} p$ on $\partial\Omega$. Thus, we found

$$\begin{pmatrix} p \\ \tau \end{pmatrix} \in \text{dom} \left(\begin{pmatrix} \text{div} \\ \delta_{\text{div},\partial\Omega} \end{pmatrix}^* \right) \implies \begin{pmatrix} p \\ -\delta_{\text{grad},\partial\Omega} p \end{pmatrix} \in \text{dom}(\text{grad}) \oplus L^2(\partial\Omega).$$

We formally read off as the last equation of the system

$$\beta_* \tau + \delta_{\text{div},\partial\Omega} v = -\beta_* \delta_{\text{grad},\partial\Omega} p + \delta_{\text{div},\partial\Omega} v = h \text{ on } \partial\Omega,$$

yielding (a dynamic Robin type boundary condition)

$$-\beta_* \delta_{\text{grad},\partial\Omega} p - \delta_{\text{div},\partial\Omega} \partial_0^{-1} \rho_*^{-1} \text{grad } p = h,$$

which reads in more classical terms

$$n^{\top} \rho_*^{-1} \text{grad } p + \beta_* \partial_0 p = -\partial_0 h \text{ on } \partial\Omega.$$

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

Theorem

Let $G : D(C) \subseteq H_0 \rightarrow H_1$ be a closed densely defined linear operator, H_k , $k = 0, 1$, real Hilbert spaces. If $B_0 : H_0 \rightarrow X_0$ is a continuous linear mapping, X_0 real Hilbert space, such that GB_0^* densely defined.

Then $\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$ is skew-selfadjoint.

“Mother” and “descendant”: $A \mapsto \overline{W^*AW}$. Can be repeated!

In general, however, we have

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}}, \overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

as two different extensions of $\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}$.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

Theorem

Let $G : D(C) \subseteq H_0 \rightarrow H_1$ be a closed densely defined linear operator, H_k , $k = 0, 1$, real Hilbert spaces. If $B_0 : H_0 \rightarrow X_0$ is a continuous linear mapping, X_0 real Hilbert space, such that GB_0^* densely defined.

Then $\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$ is skew-selfadjoint.

“Mother” and “descendant”: $A \mapsto \overline{W^*AW}$. Can be repeated!

In general, however, we have

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}}, \overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

as two different extensions of $\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}$.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

Theorem

Let $G : D(C) \subseteq H_0 \rightarrow H_1$ be a closed densely defined linear operator, H_k , $k = 0, 1$, real Hilbert spaces. If $B_0 : H_0 \rightarrow X_0$ is a continuous linear mapping, X_0 real Hilbert space, such that GB_0^* densely defined.

Then $\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$ is skew-selfadjoint.

“Mother” and “descendant”: $A \mapsto \overline{W^*AW}$. Can be repeated!

In general, however, we have

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}}, \overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

as two different extensions of $\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}$.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

Theorem

Let $G : D(C) \subseteq H_0 \rightarrow H_1$ be a closed densely defined linear operator, H_k , $k = 0, 1$, real Hilbert spaces. If $B_0 : H_0 \rightarrow X_0$ is a continuous linear mapping, X_0 real Hilbert space, such that GB_0^* densely defined.

Then $\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$ is skew-selfadjoint.

“Mother” and “descendant”: $A \mapsto \overline{W^*AW}$. Can be repeated!

In general, however, we have

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}}, \overline{\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \left(\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}$$

as two different extensions of $\begin{pmatrix} B_0 & 0 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^* & 0 \\ 0 & B_1^* \end{pmatrix}$.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

This amounts (in-)formally to considering $B_1GB_0^*$ but -done properly – leads to the not so subtle difference between

$$\overline{B_1(GB_0^*)} \text{ and } \overline{B_1GB_0^*}.$$

For example consider $G = \partial$ on $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $B_0^* = B_1^* = \iota_{L^2(I)}$, I a finite interval, then $\overline{B_1(GB_0^*)}$ is ∂ with Dirichlet boundary condition and $\overline{B_1GB_0^*}$ is ∂ without boundary condition.

“**Mother of All**”: Let us consider $G = \mathring{\text{grad}}$ acting on tensor fields of all ranks with Dirichlet boundary condition, i.e.

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div} \\ \mathring{\text{grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

on $\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{T}_k) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{T}_{k+1}))$.

The linear initial boundary value problems of classical mathematical physics can be produced from this particular “mother” operator A by choosing suitable projections for constructing “descendants”.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

This amounts (in-)formally to considering $B_1GB_0^*$ but -done properly – leads to the not so subtle difference between

$$\overline{B_1(GB_0^*)} \text{ and } \overline{B_1GB_0^*}.$$

For example consider $G = \partial$ on $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $B_0^* = B_1^* = \iota_{L^2(I)}$, I a finite interval, then $\overline{B_1(GB_0^*)}$ is ∂ with Dirichlet boundary condition and $\overline{B_1GB_0^*}$ is ∂ without boundary condition.

“**Mother of All**”: Let us consider $G = \mathring{\text{grad}}$ acting on tensor fields of all ranks with Dirichlet boundary condition, i.e.

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div} \\ \mathring{\text{grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

on $\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{T}_k) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{T}_{k+1}))$.

The linear initial boundary value problems of classical mathematical physics can be produced from this particular “mother” operator A by choosing suitable projections for constructing “descendants”.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

This amounts (in-)formally to considering $B_1GB_0^*$ but -done properly – leads to the not so subtle difference between

$$\overline{B_1(GB_0^*)} \text{ and } \overline{B_1GB_0^*}.$$

For example consider $G = \partial$ on $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ and $B_0^* = B_1^* = \iota_{L^2(I)}$, I a finite interval, then $\overline{B_1(GB_0^*)}$ is ∂ with Dirichlet boundary condition and $\overline{B_1GB_0^*}$ is ∂ without boundary condition.

“**Mother of All**”: Let us consider $G = \mathring{\text{grad}}$ acting on tensor fields of all ranks with Dirichlet boundary condition, i.e.

$$A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -G^* \\ G & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div} \\ \mathring{\text{grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

on $\bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{N}} (L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{T}_k) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{T}_{k+1}))$.

The linear initial boundary value problems of classical mathematical physics can be produced from this particular “mother” operator A by choosing suitable projections for constructing “descendants”.

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0, 1	—————	acoustics
rank 1, 2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1, 2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0, 1	—————	acoustics
rank 1, 2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1, 2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0, 1	—————	acoustics
rank 1, 2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1, 2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0, 1	—————	acoustics
rank 1, 2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1, 2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0, 1	—————	acoustics
rank 1, 2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1, 2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0,1	—————	acoustics
rank 1,2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1,2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0,1	—————	acoustics
rank 1,2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1,2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)

• vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0,1	—————	acoustics
rank 1,2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1,2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)

• vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Tool 2: The Mother-Descendant Mechanism

To be slightly less ambitious, consider

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ 0 & 0 & \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ in Cartesian form on elements of}$$

$L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^n) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{n \times n})$, i.e. of the form $\begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ v_1 \\ w_1 \\ T_2 \end{pmatrix}$.

- tensor rank (or order or degree)
- symmetric/alternating

3-dimensional		
rank 0,1	—————	acoustics
rank 1,2	symmetric	classical elasticity
rank 1,2	alternating	electrodynamics

- descent in space dimension (as in method of descent)
- vanishing trace condition (divergence-free; as e.g. for the incompressible Stokes equation)

Application: A Connection Between Wave Phenomena.

In Nowacki's non-symmetric elasticity we are dealing with a skew-selfadjoint spatial operator of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^3) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}).$$

Here, focusing on the Cartesian case and letting

$$\widetilde{\operatorname{Op}}W := \left(\operatorname{Op}W^\top\right)^\top,$$

where Op denotes a matrix PDE operator, we have in suggestive

matrix notation with $\nabla = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 \\ \partial_2 \\ \partial_3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\operatorname{grad}_1 v := \widetilde{\nabla}v = \left(\nabla v^\top\right)^\top \text{ (Jacobian of } v),$$

$$\operatorname{div}_2 T := \widetilde{\nabla}^\top T = \left(\nabla^\top T^\top\right)^\top.$$

Application: A Connection Between Wave Phenomena.

In Nowacki's non-symmetric elasticity we are dealing with a skew-selfadjoint spatial operator of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_2 \\ \operatorname{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ on } L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^3) \oplus L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}).$$

Here, focusing on the Cartesian case and letting

$$\widetilde{\operatorname{Op}}W := \left(\operatorname{Op}W^\top\right)^\top,$$

where Op denotes a matrix PDE operator, we have in suggestive

matrix notation with $\nabla = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1 \\ \partial_2 \\ \partial_3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\operatorname{grad}_1 v := \widetilde{\nabla}v = \left(\nabla v^\top\right)^\top \text{ (Jacobian of } v),$$

$$\operatorname{div}_2 T := \widetilde{\nabla}^\top T = \left(\nabla^\top T^\top\right)^\top.$$

Application: A Connection Between Wave Phenomena.

As possible descendants we obtain with $l_{\text{sym}}^* T = \frac{1}{2} (T + T^\top)$

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -l_{\text{sym}}^* \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div}_2 \\ \text{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -l_{\text{sym}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\text{Div} \\ -\text{Grad} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

i.e. classical symmetric elasticity, and with $l_{\text{sew}}^* T = \frac{1}{2} (T - T^\top)$,

$$l_0 : \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\alpha_3 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 & 0 & -\alpha_1 \\ -\alpha_2 & \alpha_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$2 \overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & l_0^* l_{\text{sew}}^* \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div}_2 \\ \text{grad}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & l_{\text{sew}} l_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\text{curl} \\ \text{curl} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\text{curl} = \nabla \times = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\partial_3 & \partial_2 \\ \partial_3 & 0 & -\partial_1 \\ -\partial_2 & \partial_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, i.e. classical electrodynamics.

Application: A Connection Between Wave Phenomena.

Also acoustics can be recovered as a descendant from non-symmetric elasticity via

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \text{trace} \end{pmatrix}} \overline{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div}_2 \\ \mathring{\text{grad}}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \text{trace}^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{grad}_0 \\ \mathring{\text{div}}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathring{\text{div}}_1 \\ \text{grad}_0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Here trace denotes the standard matrix trace and its adjoint evaluates simply to

$$\text{trace}^* p = \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & p \end{pmatrix} = p \mathbb{1}_{3 \times 3}.$$

It may be of interest to note that also

$$\overline{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\text{trace} \end{pmatrix}} \overline{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\text{Div}_2 \\ -\mathring{\text{Grad}}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\text{trace}^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{grad}_0 \\ \mathring{\text{div}}_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

which establishes acoustics as a part of continuum mechanics.

Tool 3: Coupling of Different Physical Phenomena

Block-diagonal operator matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & A_n \end{pmatrix}$$

skew-selfadjoint in $H = \bigoplus_{k=0,\dots,n} H_k$, if diagonal block entries $A_k : D(A_k) \subseteq H_k \rightarrow H_k$, $k = 0, \dots, n$, are skew-selfadjoint.

Proper coupling: M contains off-diagonal block entries

$$M_k := \begin{pmatrix} M_{k,00} & \cdots & M_{k,0n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ M_{k,n0} & \cdots & M_{k,nn} \end{pmatrix}, \quad k = 0, 1.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

Not coupling elasticity and acoustics:

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathring{\text{grad}}_0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathring{\text{div}}_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\text{Div} \\ 0 & 0 & -\mathring{\text{Grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

Not coupling elasticity and acoustics:

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathring{\text{grad}}_0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathring{\text{div}}_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\text{Div} \\ 0 & 0 & -\mathring{\text{Grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

Coupling elasticity and acoustics

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathring{\text{grad}}_0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathring{\text{div}}_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\text{Div} \\ 0 & 0 & -\mathring{\text{Grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By projecting onto $\ker(\partial_3^\#) = L^2(\Omega_0) \otimes \mathbb{R} = L^2(\Omega_0)$ assuming $\Omega := \Omega_0 \times \mathbb{T} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}$, $\mathbb{T} = [-1/2, 1/2]$, with identification of the interval ends (**mother-descendant mechanism**), we can reduce the associated evolutionary problem by one spatial dimension to a 2-dimensional situation.

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

Coupling elasticity and acoustics

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathring{\text{grad}}_0 & 0 & 0 \\ \mathring{\text{div}}_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\text{Div} \\ 0 & 0 & -\mathring{\text{Grad}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By projecting onto $\ker(\partial_3^\#) = L^2(\Omega_0) \otimes \mathbb{R} = L^2(\Omega_0)$ assuming $\Omega := \Omega_0 \times \mathbb{T} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}$, $\mathbb{T} = [-1/2, 1/2]$, with identification of the interval ends (**mother-descendant mechanism**), we can reduce the associated evolutionary problem by one spatial dimension to a 2-dimensional situation.

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

Coupling elasticity and acoustics

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \kappa & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{grad}_0 & 0 & 0 \\ \text{div}_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\text{Div} \\ 0 & 0 & -\text{Grad} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By projecting onto $\ker(\partial_3^\#) = L^2(\Omega_0) \otimes \mathbb{R} = L^2(\Omega_0)$ assuming $\Omega := \Omega_0 \times \mathbb{T} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T}$, $\mathbb{T} = [-1/2, 1/2]$, with identification of the interval ends (**mother-descendant mechanism**), we can reduce the associated evolutionary problem by one spatial dimension to a 2-dimensional situation.

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

The resulting evolutionary equation looks the same, but now it has to be interpreted (by dropping zero rows and columns in A and adapting the material law) in

$L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2_2(\Omega_0, \mathfrak{sym}[\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}])$ with $\Omega_0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$.

This is the Reissner-Mindlin plate system commonly used in engineering models.

Remark (Kirchhoff-Love plate): Letting $\kappa = 0$ and $v_2 = 0$ (in consequence destroying well-posedness for associated initial boundary value problems) and eliminating the first and third unknown and equation we get (in-)formally

with

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$
$$A \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{div}_1 \text{Div} \\ -\text{Grad grad}_0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally eliminating the stress yields for isotropic homogeneous media

$$\partial_0^2 v_1 \eta + d \partial_0 \eta + (2\kappa + \lambda) \Delta^2 \eta = \partial_0 f.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

The resulting evolutionary equation looks the same, but now it has to be interpreted (by dropping zero rows and columns in A and adapting the material law) in

$L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2_2(\Omega_0, \mathfrak{sym}[\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}])$ with $\Omega_0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$.

This is the Reissner-Mindlin plate system commonly used in engineering models.

Remark (Kirchhoff-Love plate): Letting $\kappa = 0$ and $v_2 = 0$ (in consequence destroying well-posedness for associated initial boundary value problems) and eliminating the first and third unknown and equation we get (in-)formally

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 \operatorname{Div} \\ -\operatorname{Grad} \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally eliminating the stress yields for isotropic homogeneous media

$$\partial_0^2 v_1 \eta + d \partial_0 \eta + (2\kappa + \lambda) \Delta^2 \eta = \partial_0 f.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

The resulting evolutionary equation looks the same, but now it has to be interpreted (by dropping zero rows and columns in A and adapting the material law) in

$L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2_2(\Omega_0, \mathfrak{sym}[\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}])$ with $\Omega_0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$.

This is the Reissner-Mindlin plate system commonly used in engineering models.

Remark (Kirchhoff-Love plate): Letting $\kappa = 0$ and $v_2 = 0$ (in consequence destroying well-posedness for associated initial boundary value problems) and eliminating the first and third unknown and equation we get (in-)formally

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 \operatorname{Div} \\ -\operatorname{Grad} \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally eliminating the stress yields for isotropic homogeneous media

$$\partial_0^2 v_1 \eta + d \partial_0 \eta + (2\kappa + \lambda) \Delta^2 \eta = \partial_0 f.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

The resulting evolutionary equation looks the same, but now it has to be interpreted (by dropping zero rows and columns in A and adapting the material law) in

$L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2_2(\Omega_0, \mathfrak{sym}[\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}])$ with $\Omega_0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$.

This is the Reissner-Mindlin plate system commonly used in engineering models.

Remark (Kirchhoff-Love plate): Letting $\kappa = 0$ and $v_2 = 0$ (in consequence destroying well-posedness for associated initial boundary value problems) and eliminating the first and third unknown and equation we get (in-)formally

with

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$
$$A \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 \operatorname{Div} \\ -\operatorname{Grad} \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally eliminating the stress yields for isotropic homogeneous media

$$\partial_0^2 v_1 \eta + d \partial_0 \eta + (2\kappa + \lambda) \Delta^2 \eta = \partial_0 f.$$

Application: The Reissner-Mindlin Plate Equation

The resulting evolutionary equation looks the same, but now it has to be interpreted (by dropping zero rows and columns in A and adapting the material law) in

$L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}) \oplus L^2(\Omega_0, \mathbb{R}^2) \oplus L^2_2(\Omega_0, \mathfrak{sym}[\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}])$ with $\Omega_0 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$.

This is the Reissner-Mindlin plate system commonly used in engineering models.

Remark (Kirchhoff-Love plate): Letting $\kappa = 0$ and $v_2 = 0$ (in consequence destroying well-posedness for associated initial boundary value problems) and eliminating the first and third unknown and equation we get (in-)formally

$$\partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & 0 \\ 0 & C^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + A$$

with

$$A \cong \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{div}_1 \operatorname{Div} \\ -\operatorname{Grad} \operatorname{grad}_0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Finally eliminating the stress yields for isotropic homogeneous media

$$\partial_0^2 v_1 \eta + d \partial_0 \eta + (2\kappa + \lambda) \Delta^2 \eta = \partial_0 f.$$

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed, densely defined linear operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H . Then we would want

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*},$$

which is the functional analytical formulation for “weak=strong” (here applied to summation).

Transmutator as technical tool:

$$[L, C, R] := LC - CR$$

assumed to be defined on $\text{dom}(C)$ (usually L, R continuous).

The commutator

$$[L, C] := [L, C, L]$$

$$[C, L] := -[L, C]$$

is a special case.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed, densely defined linear operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H . Then we would want

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*},$$

which is the functional analytical formulation for “weak=strong” (here applied to summation).

Transmutator as technical tool:

$$[L, C, R] := LC - CR$$

assumed to be defined on $\text{dom}(C)$ (usually L, R continuous).

The commutator

$$[L, C] := [L, C, L]$$

$$[C, L] := -[L, C]$$

is a special case.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed, densely defined linear operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H . Then we would want

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*},$$

which is the functional analytical formulation for “weak=strong” (here applied to summation).

Transmutator as technical tool:

$$[L, C, R] := LC - CR$$

assumed to be defined on $\text{dom}(C)$ (usually L, R continuous).

The commutator

$$[L, C] := [L, C, L]$$

$$[C, L] := -[L, C]$$

is a special case.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\epsilon)_{\epsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\epsilon)_{\epsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\epsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\epsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\epsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\epsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\epsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$.
- $L_\epsilon^* \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0+} 1$, $R_\epsilon^* \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0+} 1$ and $[L_\epsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\epsilon]^* \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0+} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$\overline{(A_1 + A_2)^*} = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K ,
 $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$.
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K ,
 $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$.
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$,
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$,
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$,
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$,
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$\overline{A_1 + A_2}$ skew-selfadjoint.

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Let A_k , $k = 1, 2$, be closed densely defined operators from H to K , $\text{dom}(A_1 + A_2) = \text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ dense in H .

Theorem

Let $(L_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$, $(R_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in]0,1[}$ be bounded families of continuous linear mappings in K and H , respectively, and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]$ defined on $\text{dom}(A_1) \cap \text{dom}(A_2)$ such that $\overline{[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]} \in \mathcal{L}(H, K)$.

Moreover,

- $L_\varepsilon^* [\text{dom}((A_1 + A_2)^*)] \subseteq \text{dom}(A_1^* + A_2^*)$,
- $L_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$, $R_\varepsilon^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 1$ and $[L_\varepsilon, A_1 + A_2, R_\varepsilon]^* \xrightarrow[\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+]{} 0$.

Then (weak = strong)

$$(A_1 + A_2)^* = \overline{A_1^* + A_2^*}.$$

Corollary

Let A_1, A_2 be skew-selfadjoint, then under the assumptions of the previous theorem we have

$$\overline{A_1 + A_2} \text{ skew-selfadjoint.}$$

Tool 4: Weak = Strong

Application: (acoustics in moving media, joint work with Sascha Trostorff) assuming that $\mathfrak{sym} \left(\alpha \partial_3 \begin{pmatrix} \rho^* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right)$ is continuous

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \rho^* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \alpha \partial_3 \begin{pmatrix} \rho^* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{grad} \\ \text{div} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \\ = \partial_0 \begin{pmatrix} \rho^* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} + \mathfrak{sym} \left(\alpha \partial_3 \begin{pmatrix} \rho^* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right) + A_1 + A_2 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$A_1 = \overline{\mathfrak{skew} \left(\partial_3 \alpha \begin{pmatrix} \rho^* & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \right)}, \text{ (skew-selfadjoint for suitable } \alpha, \Omega \text{)}$$

$$A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \text{grad} \\ \text{div} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$R_\varepsilon = L_\varepsilon = (1 + \varepsilon \partial_3)^{-1}.$$

With plenty of differential geometry this transfers to open subsets of Riemannian manifold.

The End

**Thank You for Your
Attention!**



Béla Sz.-Nagy.

Sur les contractions de l'espace de Hilbert.

Acta Sci. Math., 15:87–92, 1953.