

Treating strong singularities in differential equations: very weak solution concept

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concept for treating strong singularities, such as Delta distribution, in equations:

PDE: hyperbolic systems, Heat, Schrödinger, Wave type equations: Acoustic wave, Landau Hamiltonian, Water wave equations that describing tsunamis

... with irregular coefficients in time and space

... and on groups and manifolds

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- Notions of moderate and negligible nets could be defined based on a locally convex topological vector space: for a locally convex topological vector space E with topology given by the family of seminorms $\{p_j\}_{j \in J}$, E -moderate nets are

$$\mathcal{M}_E := \{(u_\varepsilon)_\varepsilon \in E^{(0,1]} : \forall j \in J, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}, p_j(u_\varepsilon) = O(\varepsilon^{-N})\}$$

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First treatment:

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Mathematical treatment: well-posedness in very weak sense. Singularities in coefficients depending on space variable for wave equation.

Nets are in C^∞ classes in time and space.

Unique vws equivalent to sol. in Colombeau sense.

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Definitions of moderate families, Theorems on existence and uniqueness, consistency with the classical settings.

+ Numerical examples and analysis.

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Example (Heat equation with singular potential)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta \right) u(t, x) + q(x)u(t, x) &= f(t, x) \\ u(0, x) &= u^0(x) \end{aligned} \tag{HE}$$

- $q \in L^\infty \implies u \in Y := C^1([0, T], L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)) \cap C([0, T], H^1(\mathbb{R}^d))$
- $q \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$: net of functions $(u_\varepsilon)_\varepsilon \subset Y$ is a **very weak solution** to (HE) if there exist an L^∞ -moderate regularisation $(q_\varepsilon)_\varepsilon$ of q such that for every $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$, u_ε solves $(\text{HE})_\varepsilon$ ((HE) with q_ε replacing q) and $(u_\varepsilon)_\varepsilon$ is Y -moderate.

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3D FZWE is derived from a system:

- the equation of motion

$$\rho \ddot{u} = \text{Div } \sigma + F,$$

where $\rho = \rho(x)$ denotes density of the media under consideration, $u = u(t, x)$ is the displacement, $\sigma = \sigma(t, x)$ is the stress tensor, and $F = F(t, x)$ is a specified load vector, $x \in \Omega$, $t \in (0, T]$

- the constitutive equation, fractional Zener model

$$(1 + \tau D_t^\alpha) \sigma = (1 + D_t^\alpha) [2\mu \varepsilon(u) + \lambda \text{tr}(\varepsilon(u)) I], \quad \tau \in (0, 1], \alpha \in (0, 1),$$

giving relation between the stress tensor σ and the strain tensor

$$\varepsilon(u) := \frac{1}{2}(\nabla u + (\nabla u)^T),$$

where $\mu = \mu(x)$ and $\lambda = \lambda(x)$ are Lamé coefficients, and D_t^α is the fractional derivative of order $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ in the sense of Caputo.

After Laplace transforming equations, elimination of the Laplace transform of σ and then inverting the Laplace transform one obtains so-called fractional Zener wave equation

$$\tau \varrho \ddot{u} + (1 - \tau) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\dot{e}_{\alpha,1} *_t \varrho \dot{u}) = \operatorname{Div}(2\mu \varepsilon(u) + \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u))I) + G,$$

- $G := (\tau - 1) \dot{e}_{\alpha,1} \varrho v_0 + e_{\alpha,1} \operatorname{Div}(\tau \sigma_0 - 2\mu \varepsilon(u_0) - \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u_0))I) + \tau F + (\tau - 1) \dot{e}_{\alpha,1} *_t F$
- $e_{\alpha,1}$, with $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, is one parameter Mittag-Leffler function which is a completely monotonous function that satisfies

$$e_{\alpha,1} \geq 0, -\dot{e}_{\alpha,1} \geq 0 \text{ and } \ddot{e}_{\alpha,1} \geq 0 \text{ on } (0, T], \text{ with } \dot{e}_{\alpha,1} \in L^1((0, T)) \text{ and } \ddot{e}_{\alpha,1} \in L^1_{\text{loc}}((0, T)) \text{ for all } T > 0.$$

Setting

$$L_t^\alpha u := \ddot{u} + (1 - \tau) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (-\dot{e}_{\alpha,1} *_t \dot{u})(t),$$

and

$$Q_x u := \operatorname{Div}(2\mu \varepsilon(u) + \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u))I),$$

we get (FZWE).

Theorem: weak solution to 3D FZWE

Let $\tau \in (0, 1]$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, $u_0 \in [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3$, $v_0 \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3$, $\sigma_0 \in [L^2(\Omega)]^{3 \times 3}$, $F \in L^2(0, T; [L^2(\Omega)]^3)$, and coefficients ϱ, μ and λ be elements of $L^\infty(\Omega)$ and ϱ, μ being bounded below away from zero.

Then, there exists $u \in C_w([0, T]; [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3)$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} & \tau \int_0^T (\varrho u(s, \cdot), \ddot{v}(s, \cdot)) \, ds - (1 - \tau) \int_0^T ((-\dot{e}_{\alpha,1} *_s \varrho \dot{u})(s, \cdot), \dot{v}(s, \cdot)) \, ds \\ & \quad + \int_0^T (2\mu \varepsilon(u(s, \cdot)) + \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u(s, \cdot))) I, \varepsilon(v(s, \cdot))) \, ds \\ & = -\tau(\varrho u_0, \dot{v}(0, \cdot)) + \tau(\varrho v_0, v(0, \cdot)) + \int_0^T \langle G(s, \cdot), v(s, \cdot) \rangle \, ds, \end{aligned}$$

for all $v \in W^{2,1}(0, T; [L^2(\Omega)]^3) \cap L^1(0, T; [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3)$ with $v(T, \cdot) = 0$ and $\dot{v}(T, \cdot) = 0$.

Furthermore, u satisfies the energy inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\tau}{2} \|\dot{u}(t')\|_{L^2_\varrho(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\varepsilon(u(t'))\|_{L^2_\mu(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u(t')))\|_{L^2_\lambda(\Omega)}^2 \\ & + \frac{1-\tau}{2} \int_0^{t'} -\dot{e}_{\alpha,1}(s) \|\dot{u}(s)\|_{L^2_\varrho(\Omega)}^2 \, ds \leq 3A(t) \exp(t + 1 - e_{\alpha,1}(t)), \end{aligned}$$

for all $t \in (0, T]$ and a.e. $t' \in (0, t]$, where $A(t)$ is defined for $t \in [0, T]$ by

$$\begin{aligned} A(t) := & \frac{\tau^2 + (1-\tau)^2}{2\tau} \|v_0\|_{L^2_\varrho(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{3}{2} \|\varepsilon(u_0)\|_{L^2_\mu(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u_0))\|_{L^2_\lambda(\Omega)}^2 \\ & + \frac{3}{2} \|\kappa_0\|_{L^2_{1/\mu}(\Omega)}^2 + \frac{\tau^2 + (1-\tau)^2}{\tau} \int_0^t \|F(s)\|_{L^2_{1/\varrho}(\Omega)}^2 \, ds, \end{aligned}$$

with $\kappa_0 = \tau\sigma_0 - 2\mu\varepsilon(u_0) - \lambda \operatorname{tr}(\varepsilon(u_0))I$. This implies

$$\|u(t)\|_{L^2_\varrho(\Omega)}^2 \leq c A \left(t, \|u_0\|_{L^2_\varrho(\Omega)}^2, \|v_0\|_{L^2_\varrho(\Omega)}^2, \|F\|_{L^2(0,T;L^2_{1/\varrho}(\Omega))}^2 \right) \exp(t)$$

The initial boundary-value problem (P)

$$\tau \varrho(x) L_t^\alpha u(t, x) = Q_x u(t, x) + G(t, x), \quad x \in \Omega, t \in (0, T], \quad (1)$$

L_t^α is convolution, integro-differential operator in t ,

Q_x is an elliptic partial differential operator in x

G is a function depending on given initial data, and density ϱ is of the form

$$\varrho(x) = \varrho_1(x) + \delta(x), \quad (\text{RHO})$$

ϱ_1 being function bounded below away from zero in $L^\infty(\Omega)$. Equation (1) is subject to the initial conditions

$$u(0, x) = u_0(x), \quad \partial_t u(0, x) = v_0(x), \quad x \in \Omega, \quad (2)$$

and a boundary condition

$$u(t, x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } (t, x) \in (0, T] \times \partial\Omega. \quad (3)$$

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$$\|u_\varepsilon(t, \cdot)\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq c\varepsilon^{-N}, \quad t \in [0, T].$$

Definition

The net $(u_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in (0,1]} \subset C_w \left([0, T]; [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3 \right)$ is a **very weak solution** if

- there exists regularization of ϱ : net $(\varrho_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in (0,1]}$ which is C^∞ -moderate
- for all $\varepsilon \in (0, 1]$, u_ε is a weak solution to $(P)_\varepsilon$

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- $(u_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in (0,1]}$ is moderate.

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Theorem (Existence)

Let ϱ be given by $\varrho(x) = \varrho_1(x) + \delta(x)$, let ρ_1, μ, λ are elements of $L^\infty(\Omega)$ and ρ_1, μ be bounded below away from zero, and let initial data and load vector satisfy $u_0 \in [H_0^1(\Omega)]^3$, $v_0 \in [L^2(\Omega)]^3$, and $F \in L^2(0, T; [L^2(\Omega)]^3)$.

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Very weak solution for (P): Uniqueness

Let $\varrho(x) = \varrho_1(x) + \delta(x)$. Let ϱ_ε and $\tilde{\varrho}_\varepsilon$ are two regularisations of ϱ such that for all $q \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists c so that

$$\|\varrho_\varepsilon - \tilde{\varrho}_\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty} \leq c\varepsilon^q.$$

Then for the two corresponding very weak solutions to problem (P) $(u_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in (0,1]}$ and $(\tilde{u}_\varepsilon)_{\varepsilon \in (0,1]}$ it holds that for all $N \in \mathbb{N}$ there exists C

$$\|u_\varepsilon - \tilde{u}_\varepsilon\|_{L^2} \leq C\varepsilon^N.$$

We say that (P) has a unique very weak solution.

For further work:

“The approach of very weak solutions opens up a whole new research area where one can deal with problems with singularities in a way that is consistent with stronger notions of solutions should they exist.”

More examples.

More numerical analysis but also questions of convergence...

Do we always have consistency?

Analysis of nets: regularity theory and microlocal analysis.

Microlocal and harmonic analysis allowing different types of singularities

Pseudo-differential operators with irregular coefficients.

Spectral problems for singular operators or in singular domains

“this is a very promising far-reaching research with further mathematical developments and many expected applications in other sciences “



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