

Algorithmic Approach to Strong Consistency Analysis of Finite Difference Approximations to PDE Systems

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Outline

- Strong consistency of finite difference approximations
- Thomas decomposition for nonlinear PDE systems
- Decomposition of nonlinear difference systems

1. Strong consistency of finite difference approximations

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Thm. (Lax-Richtmyer, 1956).

A consistent finite difference scheme for a linear PDE, for which the initial value problem is well-posed, is convergent if it is stable.

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2. Thomas decomposition for nonlinear PDE systems

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Janet's algorithm computes a vector space basis for power series solutions

(Maurice Janet, ~ 1920)

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Thm. (Differential Nullstellensatz).

Every radical diff. ideal $I \subsetneq K\{u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(m)}\}$ has a zero in a diff. field ext. of K . If $f \in K\{u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(m)}\}$ vanishes for all zeros of I , then $f \in I$.

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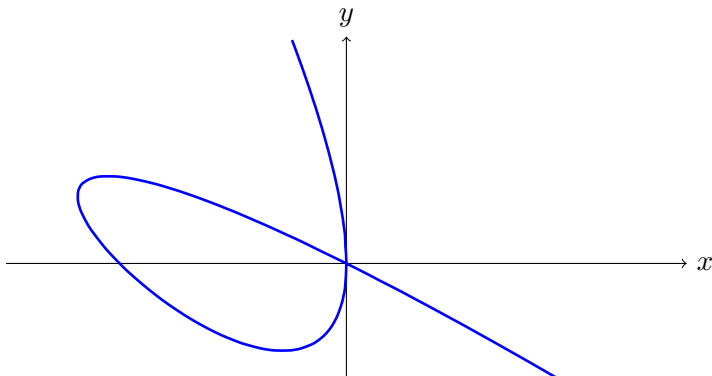
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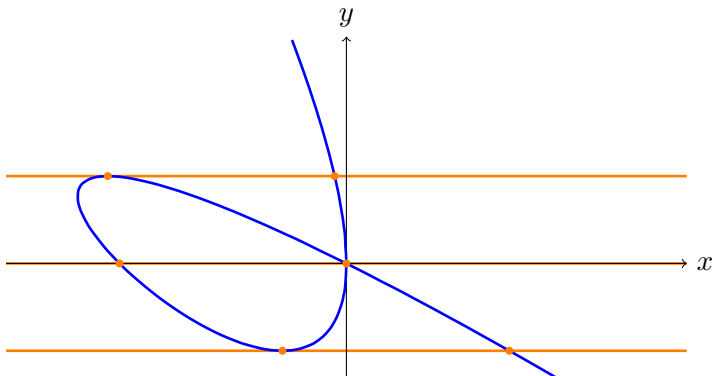
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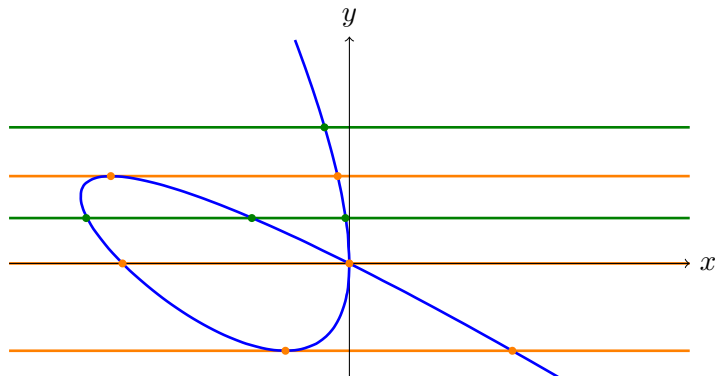
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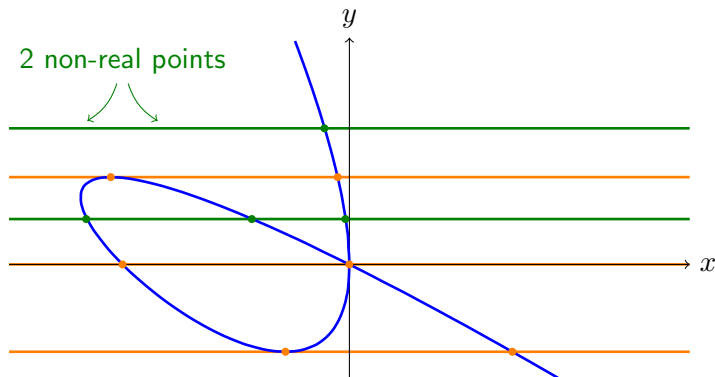
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Def. S is *simple* if

- (a) $p_1, \dots, p_s, q_1, \dots, q_t$ have pairwise distinct leaders,
- (b) initials and discriminants of p_i and q_j do not vanish,
- (c) p_1, \dots, p_s form a passive PDE system,
- (d) q_1, \dots, q_t are reduced modulo p_1, \dots, p_s .

set of *admissible derivations* $\mu_i \subseteq \{\partial_1, \dots, \partial_n\}$ for p_i , $i = 1, \dots, s$

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consists of all differential polynomials in R vanishing on $\text{Sol}(S)$.

Example

Navier-Stokes equations for an incompressible flow of a constant viscosity fluid:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_t + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} + \nabla p - \mu \Delta \mathbf{u} & = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} & = 0 \end{cases}$$

In cartesian coordinates x, y, z of \mathbb{R}^3 we have, equivalently,

$$\begin{cases} u_t + u u_x + v u_y + w u_z + p_x - \mu (u_{x,x} + u_{y,y} + u_{z,z}) & = 0 \\ v_t + u v_x + v v_y + w v_z + p_y - \mu (v_{x,x} + v_{y,y} + v_{z,z}) & = 0 \\ w_t + u w_x + v w_y + w w_z + p_z - \mu (w_{x,x} + w_{y,y} + w_{z,z}) & = 0 \\ u_x + v_y + w_z & = 0 \end{cases}$$

where u, v, w denote the components of the velocity vector \mathbf{u} .

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$$\Delta p + \nabla \cdot ((\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u}) = 0$$

is a consequence of the Navier-Stokes equations.

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where A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 are the left hand sides of the Navier-Stokes equations.

Modulo the other equations in the system, last equation \Leftrightarrow Poisson pressure equation.

Example

Taylor coefficients of $u(t, x, y, z)$, $v(t, x, y, z)$, $w(t, x, y, z)$, $p(t, x, y, z)$ whose values can be chosen arbitrarily:

$u(t, x, y, z)$:

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generalized Hilbert series

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Extending the Cauchy-Kovaleskaya Theorem we may pose the Cauchy problem for the Navier-Stokes equations around an arbitrary point (t_0, x_0, y_0, z_0) as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u(t, x_0, y, z) = f_1(t, y, z) \\ v(t, x_0, y, z) = f_2(t, y, z) \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}(t, x_0, y_0, z) = f_3(t, z) \\ w(t, x_0, y, z) = f_4(t, y, z) \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(t, x_0, y, z) = f_5(t, y, z) \\ p(t, x_0, y, z) = f_6(t, y, z) \\ \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}(t, x_0, y, z) = f_7(t, y, z) \end{array} \right.$$

where f_1, f_2, \dots, f_7 are arbitrary functions of their arguments which are analytic around the point (t_0, x_0, y_0, z_0) . The arbitrariness of analytic solutions to the Navier-Stokes equations is determined by f_1, f_2, \dots, f_7 .

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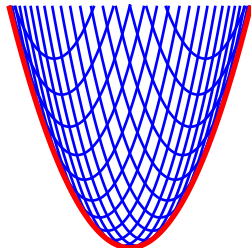
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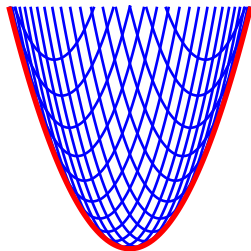
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Thomas Decomposition

- 1937: J. M. Thomas: “Differential Systems”.
- 1998: D. Wang: implementation for algebraic systems
- 2007: V. Gerdt: “On decomposition of algebraic PDE systems into simple subsystems”
- 2009: W. Plesken: “Counting solutions of polynomial systems via iterated fibrations”
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 - algebraic systems (T. Bächler)
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Algorithmic Thomas decomposition of algebraic and differential systems,
J. Symbolic Computation 47(10):1233–1266, 2012.

Implementation

Maple package DifferentialThomas (M. Lange-Hegermann)

<http://www.mathb.rwth-aachen.de/go/id/rnab/lidx/1>

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The MAPLE package TDDS for computing Thomas decompositions of systems of nonlinear PDEs

Computer Physics Communications 234:202–215, 2019

arXiv:1801.09942

DifferentialThomas in Maple 2018 (interface by E. S. Cheb-Terrab)

Overview of the DifferentialThomas Package

Description

The **DifferentialThomas** package implements algebraic and differential elimination algorithms to perform a disjoint decomposition of a system of differential equations and inequations into so-called simple and integrable systems. The definition of simple and integrable systems and the algorithm are derived from Joseph Miller Thomas' work. This decomposition is key for simplifying systems of polynomial differential equations and computing formal power series solutions for them. (See [References](#).)

The main functionality of the package is provided by the [ThomasDecomposition](#) function, which permits triangularizing a differential equation system so that it can be solved eliminating one variable at a time, simplifying the system with respect to its integrability conditions, or determining its singular cases. Commands are also provided to solve related problems, such as [IntersectDecompositions](#) for computing the intersection of two decompositions, possibly performed on the same differential system but using different rankings, [NormalForm](#) for deciding membership to a radical differential ideal, and [ReduceForm](#) for reducing a system with respect to another one. The command for computing formal power series solutions to differential equation systems is [PowerSeriesSolution](#). Other commands for analyzing mathematical properties of differential systems or performing algebraic manipulation and related programming are listed below.

For examples illustrating the use of the package's commands, see the [Examples](#) section of the [ThomasDecomposition](#) command and the [DifferentialThomas Examples](#) page.

For more information about the mathematical terminology used in the help pages of this package, see the [Glossary](#) page of the [DifferentialAlgebra](#) package.

NOTE: to have any of the [dsolve](#), [ndsolve](#) and [PDEtools-casesplit](#) commands performing their computations using the **DifferentialThomas** package for differential elimination purposes, pass the keyword **DifferentialThomas** as an extra argument.

Each command in the **DifferentialThomas** package can be accessed by using either the [long form](#) or the [short form](#) of the command name in the command calling sequence.

The **DifferentialThomas** package is based on software developed by Markus Lange-Hegemann. The redesign of the interface of **DifferentialThomas** was done by E. S. Cheb-Terrab in Maple 2018.

List of DifferentialThomas Package Commands

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ThomasDecomposition	Tools	

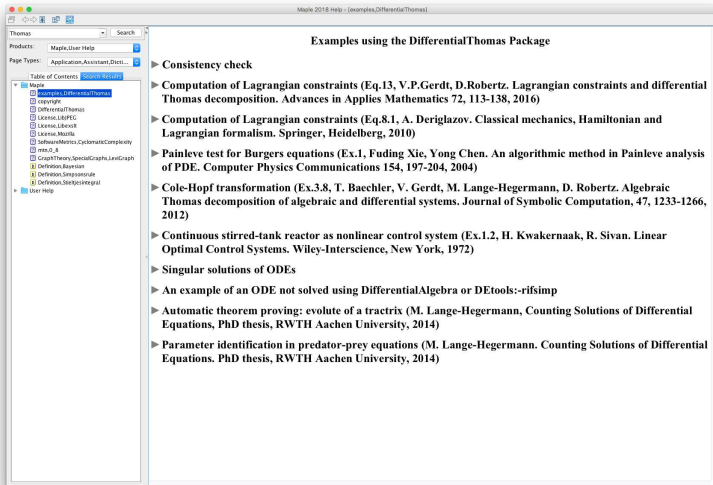
List of commands of the Tools subpackage of DifferentialThomas

CheckResults	Differentiate	Display
FromJet	Initial	Leader
Reset	RunEncapsulated	Separant
ThomasOptions	ToJet	

Description of the DifferentialThomas package commands

- [ComplementOfDecomposition](#) returns a Thomas decomposition of the complement of the solution sets given by the input.
- [Equations](#) returns the equations of a differential system decomposition returned by [ThomasDecomposition](#).

Maple 2018



Maple 2018 Help - [examples,DifferentialThomas]

Examples using the DifferentialThomas Package

- **Consistency check**
- **Computation of Lagrangian constraints (Eq.13, V.P.GerdT, D.Robertz. Lagrangian constraints and differential Thomas decomposition. Advances in Applied Mathematics 72, 113-138, 2016)**
- **Computation of Lagrangian constraints (Eq.8.1, A. Deriglazov. Classical mechanics, Hamiltonian and Lagrangian formalism. Springer, Heidelberg, 2010)**
- **Painleve test for Burgers equations (Ex.1, Fuding Xie, Yong Chen. An algorithmic method in Painleve analysis of PDE. Computer Physics Communications 154, 197-204, 2004)**
- **Cole-Hopf transformation (Ex.3.8, T. Baechler, V. GerdT, M. Lange-Hegermann, D. Robertz. Algebraic Thomas decomposition of algebraic and differential systems. Journal of Symbolic Computation, 47, 1233-1266, 2012)**
- **Continuous stirred-tank reactor as nonlinear control system (Ex.1.2, H. Kwakernaak, R. Sivan. Linear Optimal Control Systems. Wiley-Interscience, New York, 1972)**
- **Singular solutions of ODEs**
- **An example of an ODE not solved using DifferentialAlgebra or DEtools:-rifsimp**
- **Automatic theorem proving: evolute of a tractrix (M. Lange-Hegermann, Counting Solutions of Differential Equations, PhD thesis, RWTH Aachen University, 2014)**
- **Parameter identification in predator-prey equations (M. Lange-Hegermann. Counting Solutions of Differential Equations. PhD thesis, RWTH Aachen University, 2014)**

Maple 2018

The screenshot shows the Maple 2018 interface with a code editor window titled "untitled 6". The editor contains the following Maple code and its output:

```

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> with(DifferentialThomas);
[ComplementOfDecomposition, Display, Equations, Inequalities, IntersectDecompositions, LinearCombination, NormalForm,
PowerSeriesSolution, Ranking, ReducedForm, ThomasDecomposition, Tools]
> ivar := [t,x];
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> dvar := [u];
                                     dvar := [u]
> Ranking(ivar, dvar);
                                     ranking
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> T := ThomasDecomposition(L, []);
T := [DifferentialSystem, DifferentialSystem, DifferentialSystem]
> Display(T[1]);
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> Display(T[3]);
[u(t,x) = 0]

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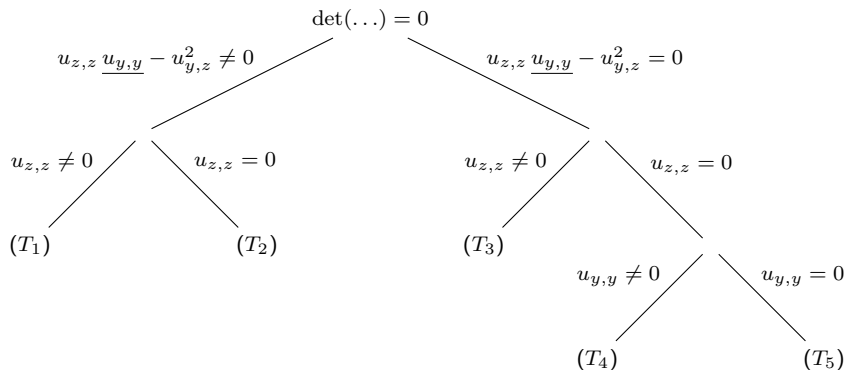
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- (b) initials and (not nec.) discriminants of \tilde{f}_i do not vanish, $1 \leq i \leq s+t$,
- (c) $\tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_s$ form a passive difference system,
- (d) $\tilde{f}_{s+1}, \dots, \tilde{f}_{s+t}$ are reduced modulo $\tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_s$.

set of *admissible automorphisms* $\mu_i \subseteq \{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n\}$ for \tilde{f}_i , $i = 1, \dots, s$

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Then the elements of

$$E : Q := \{ \tilde{f} \in \tilde{R} \mid (\theta_1(q_1))^{r_1} \dots (\theta_s(q_s))^{r_s} \tilde{f} \in E \text{ for some} \\ \theta_1, \dots, \theta_s \in \text{Mon}(\Sigma), r_1, \dots, r_s \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \}$$

are the difference polynomials reducing to zero modulo $\tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_s$.

Input: $L \subset \tilde{R} \setminus \tilde{K}$ finite and a ranking \succ on \tilde{R} such that $L = \tilde{S}^=$ for some finite difference system \tilde{S} which is quasi-simple as an algebraic system (in the finitely many indeterminates $(u_k)_J$ which occur in it, totally ordered by \succ , not necessarily square-free)

Output: $a \in \{\text{true}, \text{false}\}$ and $L' \subset \tilde{R} \setminus \tilde{K}$ finite such that

$$\langle L' \rangle : Q = \langle L \rangle : Q$$

where Q is the smallest multiplicatively closed subset of \tilde{R} containing all $\text{init}(\theta \tilde{f})$, where $\tilde{f} \in L$ and $\theta \in \text{ld}(L \setminus \{\tilde{f}\}) : \text{ld}(\tilde{f})$, and which is closed under $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s$; and, in case $a = \text{true}$, there exist no $\tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2 \in L'$, $\tilde{f}_1 \neq \tilde{f}_2$, such that we have $v := \text{ld}(\tilde{f}_1) = \theta \text{ld}(\tilde{f}_2)$ for some $\theta \in \text{Mon}(\Sigma)$ and $\text{deg}_v(\tilde{f}_1) \geq \text{deg}_v(\theta \tilde{f}_2)$

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- 3: $L' \leftarrow L' \setminus \{\tilde{f}_1\}$; $v \leftarrow \text{ld}(\tilde{f}_1)$
- 4: $\tilde{r} \leftarrow \text{init}(\theta \tilde{f}_2) \cdot \tilde{f}_1 - \text{init}(\tilde{f}_1) \cdot v^d \cdot \theta \tilde{f}_2$, where $d := \text{deg}_v(\tilde{f}_1) - \text{deg}_v(\theta \tilde{f}_2)$
- 5: **if** $\tilde{r} \neq 0$ **then**
- 6: **return** (**false**, $L' \cup \{\tilde{r}\}$)
- 7: **end if**
- 8: **end while**
- 9: **return** (**true**, L')

Input: $\tilde{r} \in \tilde{R}$, $T = \{(\tilde{f}_1, \mu_1), (\tilde{f}_2, \mu_2), \dots, (\tilde{f}_s, \mu_s)\}$, and a ranking \succ on \tilde{R} , where T is Janet complete (with respect to \succ)

Output: $\tilde{r}' \in \tilde{R}$ and an element b of the multiplicatively closed set generated by

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^s \{ \theta \text{init}(\tilde{f}_i) \mid \theta \in \text{Mon}(\Sigma), \text{ld}(\tilde{r}) \succ \theta \text{ld}(\tilde{f}_i) \} \cup \{1\}$$

such that \tilde{r}' is Janet reduced modulo T , and such that $\tilde{r}' = \tilde{r}$, $b = 1$ if $T = \emptyset$, and $\tilde{r}' + \langle \tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_s \rangle = b \cdot \tilde{r} + \langle \tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_s \rangle$ otherwise

Algorithm:

- 1: $\tilde{r}' \leftarrow \tilde{r}; \quad b \leftarrow 1$
- 2: **if** $\tilde{r}' \notin \tilde{K}$ **then**
- 3: $v \leftarrow \text{ld}(\tilde{r}')$
- 4: **while** $\tilde{r}' \notin \tilde{K}, \exists (\tilde{f}, \mu) \in T, \theta \in \text{Mon}(\mu) : v = \theta \text{ld}(\tilde{f}), \deg_v(\tilde{r}') \geq \deg_v(\theta \tilde{f})$ **do**
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- 6: $b \leftarrow \text{init}(\theta \tilde{f}) \cdot b$
- 7: **end while**
- 8: **for** each coefficient \tilde{c} of \tilde{r}' (as a polynomial in v) **do**
- 9: $(\tilde{r}'', b') \leftarrow \text{Janet-reduce}(\tilde{c}, T, \succ)$
- 10: replace the coefficient $b' \cdot \tilde{c}$ in $b' \cdot \tilde{r}''$ with \tilde{r}'' and replace \tilde{r}' with this result
- 11: $b \leftarrow b' \cdot b$
- 12: **end for**
- 13: **end if**
- 14: **return** (\tilde{r}', b)

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Output: A difference decomposition of \tilde{S}

Algorithm:

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1:  $Q \leftarrow \{\tilde{S}\}; T \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
2: repeat
3:   choose  $L \in Q$  and remove  $L$  from  $Q$ 
4:   compute a decomposition  $\{A_1, \dots, A_r\}$  of  $L$ , considered as an algebraic
   system, into quasi-simple systems
5:   for  $i = 1, \dots, r$  do
6:     if  $A_i = \emptyset$  then                                     // no equation and no inequation
7:       return  $\{\emptyset\}$ 
8:     else
9:        $(a, G) \leftarrow \text{Auto-reduce}(A_i^{\neq}, \succ)$ 
10:      if  $a = \text{true}$  then
11:        ...
12:      else
13:        insert  $\{\tilde{f} = 0 \mid \tilde{f} \in G\} \cup \{\tilde{g} \neq 0 \mid \tilde{g} \in A_i^{\neq}\}$  into  $Q$ 
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15:    end if
16:  end for
17: until  $Q = \emptyset$ 
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12:    $P \leftarrow \{ \text{NF}(\sigma \tilde{f}, J, \succ) \mid (\tilde{f}, \mu) \in J, \sigma \in \bar{\mu} \}$ 
13:   if  $P \subseteq \{0\}$  then // J is passive
14:     replace each inequation  $\tilde{g} \neq 0$  in  $A_i$  with  $\text{NF}(\tilde{g}, J, \succ) \neq 0$ 
15:     if  $0 \notin A_i^{\neq}$  then
16:       insert  $\{ \tilde{f} = 0 \mid (\tilde{f}, \mu) \in J \} \cup \{ \tilde{g} \neq 0 \mid \tilde{g} \in A_i^{\neq} \}$  into  $T$ 
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18:   else if  $P \cap \tilde{K} \subseteq \{0\}$  then
19:     insert  $\{ \tilde{f} = 0 \mid (\tilde{f}, \mu) \in J \} \cup \{ \tilde{f} = 0 \mid \tilde{f} \in P \setminus \{0\} \} \cup \{ \tilde{g} \neq 0 \mid \tilde{g} \in A_i^{\neq} \}$ 
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S-ConsistencyCheck

Input: A simple differential system S over R , a ranking $>$ on R , a ranking \succ on \tilde{R} , a total ordering on Σ (used by Decompose) and a difference system \tilde{S} consisting of equations that are w -consistent with S

Output: $\tilde{L} = \{(\tilde{L}_1, b_1), \dots, (\tilde{L}_r, b_r)\}$, where \tilde{L}_i is s -consistent (resp. w -consistent) with $L_i \xleftarrow{h \rightarrow 0} \tilde{L}_i$ if $b_i = \text{true}$ (resp. **false**)

Algorithm:

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1:  $\tilde{L} = \{\tilde{L}_1, \dots, \tilde{L}_k\} \leftarrow \text{DifferenceDecomposition}(\tilde{S}, \succ)$ 
2: for  $i = 1, \dots, k$  do
3:   if  $\exists \tilde{f} \in \tilde{L}_i^{\neq}$  such that  $\tilde{f} \triangleright f \in \llbracket S^{\neq} \rrbracket$  then
4:      $\tilde{L} \leftarrow \tilde{L} \setminus \{\tilde{L}_i\}$ 
5:   else
6:      $b_i \leftarrow \text{true}$ 
7:     for  $\tilde{f} \in \tilde{L}_i^=$  do
8:       compute  $f \in R$  such that  $\tilde{f} \triangleright f$ 
9:       if  $\text{NF}(f, S^{\neq}, >) \neq 0$  then
10:         $b_i \leftarrow \text{false};$  break
11:      end if
12:    end for
13:   end if
14: end for
15: return  $\{(\tilde{L}_i, b_i) \mid \tilde{L}_i \in \tilde{L}\}$ 
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$$\rightsquigarrow \sigma_2 A - \sigma_1 B + (\dots)A + (\dots)B = -2h^3 u_{i,j}^4$$

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We have $(**) \triangleright (*)$ modulo PDE system; FDA is s-consistent.

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