## Algorithms in FAST v8 $\,$

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## 1 Definitions and Nomenclature

Module	Abbreviation	Abbreviation
Name	in Module	in this Document
ElastoDyn	ED	ED
BeamDyn	BD	BD
AeroDyn14	AD14	AD14
AeroDyn	AD	AD
ServoDyn	$\operatorname{SrvD}$	SrvD
$\operatorname{SubDyn}$	$\operatorname{SD}$	SD
HydroDyn	HydroDyn	HD
MAP++	MAPp	MAP
FEAMooring	FEAM	FEAM
MoorDyn	MD	MD
${\bf OrcaFlexInterface}$	Orca	Orca
InflowWind	$\operatorname{IfW}$	$\operatorname{IfW}$
IceFloe	IceFloe	IceF
IceDyn	IceD	IceD

Table 1: Abbreviations for modules in FAST v8  $\,$ 

## 2 Initializations

## 3 Input-Output Relationships

#### 3.1 Input-Output Solves (Option 2 Before 1)

This algorithm documents the procedure for the Input-Output solves in FAST, assuming all modules are in use. If an individual module is not in use during a particular simulation, the calls to that module's subroutines are omitted and the module's inputs and outputs are neither set nor used.

```
1: procedure Calcoutputs_And_SolveForInputs()
 2:
       y\_ED \leftarrow \text{ED\_CALCOUTPUT}(p\_ED, u\_ED, x\_ED, xd\_ED, z\_ED)
 3:
       u\_AD(\text{not InflowWind}) \leftarrow \text{TransferOutputsToInputs}(y\_ED)
 4:
       u\_IfW \leftarrow \text{TransferOutputsToInputs}(y\_EDatu\_ADnodes)
 5:
       y\_IfW \leftarrow IfW\_CALCOUTPUT(u\_IfW and other IfW data structures)
 6:
 7:
       u\_AD(InflowWind only) \leftarrow TRANSFEROUTPUTSToInputs(y\_IfW)
       y\_AD \leftarrow AD\_CALCOUTPUT(p\_AD, u\_AD, x\_AD, xd\_AD, z\_AD)
 8:
 9:
       u\_SrvD \leftarrow TransferOutputsToInputs(y\_ED, y\_IfW)
10:
       y\_SrvD \leftarrow SrvD\_CalcOutput(p\_SrvD, u\_SrvD,
11:
                                           x\_SrvD, xd\_SrvD, z\_SrvD)
12:
       u\_ED(\text{not platform reference point}) \leftarrow \text{TransferOutputsToInputs}(y\_SrvD, y\_AD)
13:
       u\_HD \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
14:
       u\_SD \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
15:
       u\_MAP \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
16:
       u\_FEAM \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
17:
18:
       ED_HD_SD_MOORING_ICE_INPUTOUTPUTSOLVE()
19:
20:
21:
       u\_AD \leftarrow \text{TransferOutputsToInputs}(y\_ED)
22:
       u\_SrvD \leftarrow TransferOutputsToInputs(y\_ED, y\_AD)
23: end procedure
```

Note that inputs to ElastoDyn before calling CalcOutput() in the first step are not set in CalcOutputs\_And\_SolveForInputs(). Instead, the ElastoDyn inputs are set depending on where CalcOutputs\_And\_SolveForInputs() is called:

- At time 0, the inputs are the initial guess from *ElastoDyn*;
- On the prediction step, the inputs are extrapolated values from the time history of ElastoDyn inputs;
- On the first correction step, the inputs are the values calculated in the prediction step;
- On subsequent correction steps, the inputs are the values calculated in the previous correction step.

# 3.2 Input-Output Solve for HydroDyn, SubDyn, MAP, FEAMooring, IceFloe, and the Platform Reference Point Mesh in ElastoDyn

This procedure implements Solve Option 1 for the accelerations and loads in HydroDyn, SubDyn, MAP, FEAMooring, and ElastoDyn (at its platform reference point mesh). The other input-output relationships for these modules are solved using Solve Option 2.

```
1: procedure ED_HD_SD_MOORING_ICE_INPUTOUTPUTSOLVE()
 2:
 3:
        y\_MAP \leftarrow \text{CALCOUTPUT}(p\_MAP, u\_MAP, x\_MAP, xd\_MAP, z\_MAP)
        y\_FEAM \leftarrow \text{CALCOUTPUT}(p\_FEAM, u\_FEAM, x\_FEAM, x\_FEAM, x\_FEAM)
 4:
        y\_IceF \leftarrow CAlcOutput(p\_IceF, u\_IceF, x\_IceF, xd\_IceF, z\_IceF)
 5:
 6:
        y\_IceD(:) \leftarrow CAlcOutput(p\_IceD(:), u\_IceD(:), x\_IceD(:), x\_IceD(:), x\_IceD(:))
 7:
         \triangleright Form u vector using loads and accelerations from u\_HD, u\_SD, and
 8:
    platform reference input from u_-ED
 9:
        u \leftarrow U_{\text{-VEC}}(u_{\text{-}}HD, u_{\text{-}}SD, u_{\text{-}}ED)
10:
        k \leftarrow 0
11:
       loop
                  ▷ Solve for loads and accelerations (direct feed-through terms)
12:
13:
           y\_ED \leftarrow \text{ED\_CALCOUTPUT}(p\_ED, u\_ED, x\_ED, xd\_ED, z\_ED)
           y\_SD \leftarrow SD\_CALCOUTPUT(p\_SD, u\_SD, x\_SD, xd\_SD, z\_SD)
14:
           y\_HD \leftarrow \text{HD\_CALCOUTPUT}(p\_HD, u\_HD, x\_HD, xd\_HD, z\_HD)
15:
           if k > k \text{-}max then
16:
               exit loop
17:
           end if
18:
           u\_MAP\_tmp \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
19:
           u\_FEAM\_tmp \leftarrow TransferMeshMotions(y\_ED)
20:
            u\_IceF\_tmp \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_SD)
21:
           u\_IceD\_tmp(:) \leftarrow TransferMeshMotions(y\_SD)
22:
           u\_HD\_tmp \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED, y\_SD)
23:
            u\_SD\_tmp \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
24:
                            \cup TransferMeshLoads(y_-SD,
                                                          y\_HD, u\_HD\_tmp,
                                                          y\_IceF, u\_IceF\_tmp)
                                                          y\_IceD(:), u\_IceD\_tmp(:))
           u\_ED\_tmp \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshLoads}(y\_ED,
25:
                                                       y_-HD, u_-HD_-tmp,
                                                       y\_SD, u\_SD\_tmp,
                                                       y\_MAP, u\_MAP\_tmp,
                                                       y\_FEAM, u\_FEAM\_tmp)
26:
            U\_Residual \leftarrow u - U\_VEC(u\_HD\_tmp, u\_SD\_tmp, u\_ED\_tmp)
27:
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28:
            if last Jacobian was calculated at least DT_-UJac seconds ago then
29:
                Calculate \frac{\partial U}{\partial u}
30:
31:
            Solve \frac{\partial U}{\partial u}\Delta u = -U_Residual for \Delta u
32:
33:
            if \|\Delta u\|_2 < \text{tolerance then}
                                                              ▷ To be implemented later
34:
                exit loop
35:
            end if
36:
37:
38:
            u \leftarrow u + \Delta u
            Transfer u to u\_HD, u\_SD, and u\_ED loads and accelerations only
39:
            k = k + 1
40:
        end loop
41:
                         > Transfer non-acceleration fields to motion input meshes
42:
43:
        u_{-}HD(not accelerations) \leftarrow TransferMeshMotions(y_{-}ED, y_{-}SD)
44:
        u\_SD(\text{not accelerations}) \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
45:
46:
        u\_MAP \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
47:
        u\_FEAM \leftarrow \text{TransferMeshMotions}(y\_ED)
48:
        u\_IceF \leftarrow TransferMeshMotions(y\_SD)
49:
        u\_IceD(:) \leftarrow TransferMeshMotions(y\_SD)
50:
51: end procedure
```

#### 3.3 Implementation of line2-to-line2 loads mapping

The inverse-lumping of loads is computed by a block matrix solve for the distributed forces and moments, using the following equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} F^{DL} \\ M^{DL} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F^D \\ M^D \end{bmatrix} \tag{1}$$

Because the forces do not depend on the moments, we first solve for the distributed forces,  $F^D$ :

$$\left[F^{DL}\right] = \left[A\right]\left[F^{D}\right] \tag{2}$$

We then use the known values to solve for the distributed moments,  $M^D$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} M^{DL} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F^D \\ M^D \end{bmatrix} = [B] [F^D] + [A] [M^D]$$
 (3)

or

$$\left[M^{DL}\right] - \left[B\right] \left[F^{D}\right] = \left[A\right] \left[M^{D}\right] \tag{4}$$

Rather than store the matrix B, we directly perform the cross products that the matrix B represents. This makes the left-hand side of Equation 4 known, leaving us with one matrix solve. This solve uses the same matrix A used to

obtain the distributed forces in Equation 2; A depends only on element reference positions and connectivity. We use the LU factorization of matrix A so that the second solve does not introduce much additional overhead.

### 4 Solve Option 2 Improvements

#### 4.1 Input-Output Solves inside AdvanceStates

This algorithm documents the procedure for advancing states with option 2 Input-Output solves in FAST, assuming all modules are in use. If an individual module is not in use during a particular simulation, the calls to that module's subroutines are omitted and the module's inputs and outputs are neither set nor used.

```
1: procedure FAST_ADVANCESTATES()
       ED_UPDATESTATES(p\_ED, u\_ED, x\_ED, xd\_ED, z\_ED)
 2:
       y\_ED \leftarrow \text{ED\_CALCOUTPUT}(p\_ED, u\_ED, x\_ED, xd\_ED, z\_ED)
 3:
 4:
       u\_BD(hub and root motions) \leftarrow TRANSFEROUTPUTSTOINPUTS(y\_ED)
 5:
 6:
       BD_UPDATESTATES(p\_BD, u\_BD, x\_BD, xd\_BD, z\_BD)
       y\_BD \leftarrow \text{BD\_CALCOUTPUT}(p\_BD, u\_BD, x\_BD, xd\_BD, z\_BD)
 7:
 8:
       u\_AD(not InflowWind) \leftarrow TransferOutputsToInputs(y\_ED, y\_BD)
 9:
       u\_IfW \leftarrow \text{TransferOutputsToInputs}(y\_ED, y\_BD \text{ at } u\_AD \text{ nodes})
10:
11:
       IFW_UPDATESTATES(p\_IfW, u\_IfW, x\_IfW, xd\_IfW, z\_IfW)
12:
       y\_IfW \leftarrow IfW\_CALCOUTPUT(u\_IfW \text{ and other } IfW \text{ data structures})
13:
       u\_AD(InflowWind only) \leftarrow TransferOutputsToInputs(y\_IfW)
14:
       u\_SrvD \leftarrow \text{TransferOutputsToInputs}(y\_ED, y\_BD, y\_IfW)
15:
       AD\_UPDATESTATES(p\_AD, u\_AD, x\_AD, xd\_AD, z\_AD)
16:
       SRVD\_UPDATESTATES(p\_SrvD, u\_SrvD, x\_SrvD, xd\_SrvD, z\_SrvD)
17:
18:
       All other modules (used in Solve Option 1) advance their states
19:
20: end procedure
```

Note that AeroDyn and ServoDyn outputs get calculated inside the  $CalcOutputs\_And\_SolveForInputs$  routine. ElastoDyn, BeamDyn, and InflowWind outputs do not get recalculated in  $CalcOutputs\_And\_SolveForInputs$  except for the first time the routine is called (because CalcOutput is called before UpdateStates at time 0).

#### 5 Linearization

#### 5.1 Loads Transfer

The loads transfer can be broken down into four components, all of which are used in the Line2-to-Line2 loads transfer:

- 1. Augment the source mesh with additional nodes.
- 2. Lump the distributed loads on the augmented Line2 source mesh to a Point mesh.
- 3. Perform Point-to-Point loads transfer.

4. Distribute (or "unlump") the point loads.

The other loads transfers are just subsets of the Line2-to-Line2 transfer:

- Line2-to-Line2: Perform steps 1, 2, 3, and 4.
- Line2-to-Point: Perform steps 1, 2, and 3.
- Point-to-Line2: Perform steps 3 and 4.
- Point-to-Point: Perform step 3.

Each of the four steps can be represented with a linear equation. The linearization of the loads transfers is just multiplying the appropriate matrices generated in each of the steps.

#### 5.1.1 Step 1: Augment the source mesh

The equation that linearizes mesh augmentation is

where  $M^A \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{SA},N_S}$  indicates the mapping of nodes from the source mesh (with  $N_S$  nodes) to the augmented source mesh (with  $N_{SA}$  nodes). The destination mesh (with  $N_D$  nodes) is unchanged, as is indicated by matrix  $I_{N_D}$ .

#### 5.1.2 Step 2: Lump loads on a Line2 mesh to a Point mesh

The equation that linearizes the lumping of loads is

where  $M_{li}^{SL}, M_{uS}^{SL}, M_f^{SL} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{SA},N_{SA}}$  are block matrices that indicate the mapping of the lumped values to distributed values.  $M_{li}^{SL}$  is matrix A in Equation 2, which depends only on element reference positions and connectivity. Matrices  $M_{uS}^{SL}$  and  $M_f^{SL}$  also depend on values at their operating point.

#### 5.1.3 Step 3: Perform Point-to-Point loads transfer

The equation that performs Point-to-Point load transfer can be written as

where  $M_{li}^D, M_{uS}^D, M_f^D \in \mathbb{R}^{N_D,N_S}$  are block matrices that indicate the transfer of loads from one source node to a node on the destination mesh.  $M_{uD}^D \in \mathbb{R}^{N_D,N_D}$  is a diagonal matrix that indicates how the destination mesh's displaced position effects the transfer.

#### 5.1.4 Step 4: Distribute Point loads to a Line2 mesh

Distributing loads from a Point mesh to a Line2 mesh is the inverse of step 2. From Equation 6 the equation that linearizes the lumping of loads on a destination mesh is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{u}^{D} \\ \vec{F}^{D} \\ \vec{M}^{D} \end{array} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_{li}^{DL} & 0 \\ M_{uD}^{DL} & M_{f}^{DL} & M_{li}^{DL} \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{u}^{D} \\ \vec{f}^{D} \\ \vec{m}^{D} \end{array} \right\}$$
(8)

where  $M_{li}^{DL}, M_{uD}^{DL}, M_f^{DL} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_D,N_D}$  are block matrices that indicate the mapping of the lumped values to distributed values. It follows that the inverse of this equation is

$$\left\{ \vec{f}^{D}_{\vec{I}} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & [M_{li}^{DL}]^{-1} & 0 \\ -[M_{li}^{DL}]^{-1} M_{uD}^{DL} & -[M_{li}^{DL}]^{-1} M_{f}^{DL} [M_{li}^{DL}]^{-1} & [M_{li}^{DL}]^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \left\{ \vec{r}^{D}_{\vec{I}} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ \vec{f}^{D}_{\vec{I}} \right\}$$

The only inverse we need is already formed (stored as an LU decomposition) from the loads transfer, so we need not form it again.

#### 5.1.5 Putting it together

To form the matrices for loads transfers for the various mappings available, we now need to multiply a few matrices to return the linearization matrix that converts loads from the source mesh to loads on the line mesh:

• Line2-to-Line2: Perform steps 1, 2, 3, and 4.

$$\begin{cases} \vec{f}^{D} \\ \vec{m}^{D} \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} & 0 \\ -\left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} M_{uD}^{DL} & -\left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} M_{f}^{DL} \left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} & \left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{li}^{D} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{li}^{D} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{N_{SA}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{li}^{SL} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{li}^{SL} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M_{uS}^{SL} & M_{f}^{SL} & M_{li}^{SL} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M^{A} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M^{A} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M^{A} \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} \vec{u}^{D} \\ \vec{v}^{S} \\ \vec{m}^{S} \end{cases}$$

$$(11)$$

$$M_{li} = (M_{li}^{DL})^{-1} M_{li}^{D} M_{li}^{SL} M_A \tag{12}$$

$$M_{uD} = (M_{li}^{DL})^{-1} [M_{uD}^{D} - M_{uD}^{DL}]$$
(13)

$$M_{uS} = (M_{li}^{DL})^{-1} \left[ M_{uS}^D + M_{li}^D M_{uS}^{SL} \right] M_A \tag{14}$$

$$M_{f} = \left(M_{li}^{DL}\right)^{-1} \left( \left[M_{f}^{D} - M_{f}^{DL} \left(M_{li}^{DL}\right)^{-1} M_{li}^{D}\right] M_{li}^{SL} + M_{li}^{D} M_{f}^{SL} \right) M_{A}$$
(15)

• Line2-to-Point: Perform steps 1, 2, and 3.

$$\begin{cases}
\vec{F}^{D} \\
\vec{M}^{D}
\end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 & M_{li}^{D} & 0 \\
M_{uD}^{D} & M_{uS}^{D} & M_{f}^{D} & M_{li}^{D}
\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix}
I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & I_{N_{SA}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & M_{li}^{SL} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & M_{uS}^{SL} & M_{f}^{SL} & M_{li}^{SL}
\end{bmatrix} \\
\begin{bmatrix}
I_{N_{D}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & M^{A} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & M^{A} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & M^{A}
\end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}
\vec{u}^{D} \\
\vec{u}^{S} \\
\vec{f}^{S} \\
\vec{m}^{S}
\end{cases} (16)$$

The linearization routine returns these four matrices:

$$M_{li} = M_{li}^D M_{li}^{SL} M_A \tag{17}$$

$$M_{uD} = M_{uD}^D (18)$$

$$M_{uS} = \left[ M_{uS}^D + M_{li}^D M_{uS}^{SL} \right] M_A \tag{19}$$

$$M_f = \left[ M_f^D M_{li}^{SL} + M_{li}^D M_f^{SL} \right] M_A \tag{20}$$

• Point-to-Line2: Perform steps 3 and 4.

$$\begin{cases} \vec{f}^D \\ \vec{m}^D \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} & 0 \\ -\left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} M_{uD}^{DL} & -\left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} M_f^{DL} \left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} & \left[ M_{li}^{DL} \right]^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$
 
$$\begin{bmatrix} I_{N_D} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & M_{li}^D & 0 \\ M_{uD}^D & M_{uS}^D & M_f^D & M_{li}^D \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} \vec{u}^D \\ \vec{u}^S \\ \vec{F}^S \\ \vec{M}^S \end{cases}$$
 (21)

The linearization routine returns these four matrices:

$$M_{li} = (M_{li}^{DL})^{-1} M_{li}^{D} (22)$$

$$M_{uD} = (M_{li}^{DL})^{-1} [M_{uD}^{D} - M_{uD}^{DL}]$$
 (23)

$$M_{uS} = \left(M_{li}^{DL}\right)^{-1} M_{uS}^{D} \tag{24}$$

$$M_f = (M_{li}^{DL})^{-1} [M_f^D - M_f^{DL} M_{li}]$$
 (25)

• Point-to-Point: Perform step 3.

The linearization routine returns these four matrices:

$$M_{li} = M_{li}^D \tag{27}$$

$$M_{uD} = M_{uD}^D \tag{28}$$

$$M_{uS} = M_{uS}^D \tag{29}$$

$$M_f = M_f^D (30)$$