Energy-Entropy-Momentum integration schemes

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ABSTRACT

We present the basic theory for describing the formulation of time stepping algorithms that preserves the two laws of thermodynamis for dissipative problems. This work is based on the results presented by Romero [1] for finitite dimensional thermomechanical problems and later extended to infinite dimensional cases. The formulation of such methods is based on two ideas: expressing the evolution equation as a metriplectic system with the help of the so-called General Equations for Non-Equilibrium Reversible Irreversible Coupling (GENERIC) [2] and enforcing from their inception certain directionality and degeneracy conditions on the discrete vector fields. These methods can be applied to a vast class of thermomechanical systems as well as fluid dynamics, after realizing that they can be formulated as metriplectic models.

Numerical simulations verify the qualitative features of the proposed methods and illustrate their excellent numerical stability, which stems precisely from their ability to preserve the structure of the evolution equations they discretize

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