

A Perl program for the symbolic manipulation of flows of differential equations and its application to the analysis of defect-based error estimators for splitting methods

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Problem class:

$$\frac{d}{dt}u(t) = H(u(t)) = A(u(t)) + B(u(t)), \quad \text{in general } A, B \text{ both nonlinear}$$
$$u(0) = u_0 \text{ given}$$

Example: cubic nonlinear Schrödinger equation:

$$A(u) = \frac{1}{2}i\Delta u \quad (\text{linear})$$

$$B(u) = -iV_{\text{ext}}u - i\beta|u|^2u$$

(or A , B exchanged)

Lie/Trotter splitting:

$$S(t, u_0) = \mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u_0))$$

Strang splitting:

$$S(t, u_0) = \mathcal{E}_A\left(\frac{1}{2}t, \mathcal{E}_B\left(t, \mathcal{E}_A\left(\frac{1}{2}t, u_0\right)\right)\right)$$

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Defect:

$$\mathcal{D}(t, u) = \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{S}(t, u) - H(\mathcal{S}(t, u)).$$

Local error:

$$\mathcal{L}(t, u) = \mathcal{S}(t, u) - \mathcal{E}_H(t, u) = \int_0^t \mathcal{F}(\tau, t, u) d\tau$$

with

$$\mathcal{F}(\tau, t, u) = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(\tau, u).$$

Proof. It holds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) &= -H(\mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u))) \\ &\quad + \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{S}(\tau, u) \\ &= -\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot H(\mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \\ &\quad + \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{S}(\tau, u) \\ &= \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(\tau, u), \end{aligned}$$

such that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(\tau, u) d\tau &= \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \Big|_{\tau=0}^t \\ &= \mathcal{S}(t, u) - \mathcal{E}_H(t, u) = \mathcal{L}(t, u). \end{aligned}$$

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Goal: Show

$$\mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u) = O(t) \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(t, u) = O(t^2).$$

$$\mathcal{S}(t, u) = \mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)).$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{S}(t, u) = \partial_2 \mathcal{S}(t, u) \cdot A(u) + B(\mathcal{S}(t, u)).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u) &= \mathcal{D}(t, u) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{S}(t, u) - H(\mathcal{S}(t, u)) \\ &= \partial_2 \mathcal{S}(t, u) \cdot A(u) - A(\mathcal{S}(t, u)) \\ &= \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)) \cdot A(\mathcal{E}_A(t, u)) - A(\mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u))) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

with

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v) = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(t, v) \cdot A(v) - A(\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)).$$

$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v)$ satisfies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v) = B'(\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v) + [B, A](\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) \quad (2)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(0, v) = 0$$

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Variation of constants formula

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) = F(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot v = F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot v$$

$\Rightarrow \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)$ is a "fundamental system" of the linear differential equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} X(t, u) = F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot X(t, u).$$

$$\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)^{-1} = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(-t, \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)).$$

\Rightarrow Variation of constants formula:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} X(t, u) = F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot X(t, u) + R(t, u),$$

$$X(0, u) = X_0(u)$$

has the solution

$$X(t, u) = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot \left(X_0(u) + \int_0^t \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(-\tau, \mathcal{E}_F(\tau, u)) \cdot R(\tau, u) \, d\tau \right).$$

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$$\mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u) = \mathcal{D}(t, u) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{S}(t, u) - H(\mathcal{S}(t, u)) = \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u))$$

where

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v) = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(t, v) \cdot \int_0^t \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(-\tau, \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \cdot [B, A](\mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \, d\tau$$

From this integral representation it follows

$$\mathcal{D}(t, u) = O(t)$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}(t, u) = \int_0^t \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{D}(\tau, u) \, d\tau = O(t^2)$$

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Error estimator ... approximation of

$$\mathcal{L}(t, u) = \int_0^t \mathcal{F}(\tau, t, u) d\tau = \int_0^t \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(\tau, u) d\tau.$$

by the trapezoidal rule:

$$\mathcal{P}(t, u) = \frac{1}{2}t\mathcal{F}(t, t, u) = \frac{1}{2}t\mathcal{D}(t, u) = \frac{1}{2}t\mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u).$$

Error of error estimate ... Peano representation

$$\mathcal{P}(t, u) - \mathcal{L}(t, u) = \int_0^t K_1(\tau, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{F}(\tau, t, u) d\tau$$

with kernel

$$K_1(\tau, t) = \tau - \frac{1}{2}t = O(t).$$

Goal: show that

$$\mathcal{P}(t, u) - \mathcal{L}(t, u) = O(t^3) \Rightarrow \text{asymptotical correctness}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{F}(\tau, t, u) &= \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(2)}(\tau, u) \\ &\quad + \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u))(\mathcal{S}^{(1)}(\tau, u), \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(\tau, u)) \quad (3) \\ &= \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(2)}(\tau, u) + O(t)\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{S}^{(2)}(t, u) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u) - H'(\mathcal{S}(t, u)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{(1)}(t, u) \\ &= \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(2)}(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)) \quad (4)\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(2)}(t, v) = \partial_2 \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v) \cdot A(v) - A'(\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v) + [B, A](\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)).$$

$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(2)}(t, v)$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(2)}(t, v) &= B'(\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(2)}(t, v) \\ &\quad + B''(\mathcal{E}_B(t, v))(\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v), \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v)) \\ &\quad - [B, [B, A]](\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) - [A, [B, A]](\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) \\ &\quad + 2[B, A]'(\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)) \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(t, v), \quad (5) \\ \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(2)}(0, v) &= [B, A](v).\end{aligned}$$

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⇒ integral representation

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{S}^{(2)}(t, v) &= \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(t, v) \cdot [B, A](v) + \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(t, v) \cdot \int_0^t \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(-\tau, \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \cdot \\ &\quad \left(B''(\mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v))(\tilde{S}^{(1)}(\tau, v), \tilde{S}^{(1)}(\tau, v)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - [B, [B, A]](\mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) - [A, [B, A]](\mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2[B, A]'(\mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \cdot \tilde{S}^{(1)}(\tau, v) \right) d\tau\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow S^{(2)}(\tau, u) = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, \mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \cdot [B, A](\mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) + O(t)$$

Altogether,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(t, u) - \mathcal{L}(t, u) &= \int_0^t K_1(\tau, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \mathcal{F}(\tau, t, u) d\tau \\ &= \int_0^t K_1(\tau, t) \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, \mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \cdot [B, A](\mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) d\tau + O(t^3) \\ &= \int_0^t K_2(\tau, t) \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left(\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, \mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \cdot [B, A](\mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \right) d\tau + O(t^3)\end{aligned}$$

where $K_2(\tau, t) = \frac{1}{2}\tau(t - \tau) = O(t^2)$ by partial integration.

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i.e., we have to show

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left(\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, \mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \cdot [B, A](\mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \right) = O(1),$$

and this holds because

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left(\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{S}(\tau, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, \mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \cdot [B, A](\mathcal{E}_A(\tau, u)) \right) \\ &= \left[\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v) \cdot [[B, A], A](v) \right. \\ & \quad + \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) \cdot \partial_2 \tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(\tau, v) \cdot [B, A](v) \\ & \quad \left. + \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_H(t - \tau, \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v)) (\tilde{\mathcal{S}}^{(1)}(\tau, v), \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(\tau, v) \cdot [B, A](v)) \right]_{v=\mathcal{E}_A(t, u)} \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

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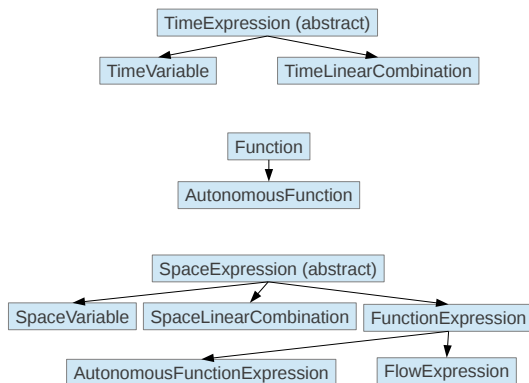
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Perl modules for the symbolic manipulation of flows of differential equations

Functionality provided by 2 Perl modules `TimeExpression.pm` and `SpaceExpression.pm`

Data types / class hierarchy:



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Usage of TimeExpression data types

```
1 use TimeExpression;
2 my $t = TimeVariable->new('t');
3 my $tau = TimeVariable->new('tau', '\tau');
4 my $tt1 = TimeLinearCombination->new($t, 2, $tau, 3);
5 my $tt2 = 2*$t + 3*$tau;          #overloaded operators
6 my $tt3 = TimeLinearCombination->new($tt1, 2, $t, -1);
7 my $tt4 = $tt1 - $tt2;
8 print $tt1->str() . "\n";
9 print $tt1->latex() . "\n";
10 print $tt2->str() . "\n";
11 print $tt3->str() . "\n";
12 print $tt4->str() . "\n";
```

Output:

```
2t+3 tau
2t+3\tau
2t+3 tau
3t+6 tau
0
```

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Usage of SpaceExpression data types

Define expressions

$$S(t, u) = \mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u))$$

$$C(u) = [A, B](u) = A'(u) \cdot B(u) - B'(u) \cdot A(u)$$

```
1 use TimeExpression;
2 use SpaceExpression;
3 my $t = TimeVariable->new('t');
4 my $u = SpaceVariable->new('u');
5 my $A = AutonomousFunction->new('A');
6 my $B = AutonomousFunction->new('B');
7 my $Stu = FlowExpression->new($B, $t,
8     FlowExpression->new($A, $t, $u));
9 my $Cu = AutonomousFunctionExpression->new($A, $u,
10     AutonomousFunctionExpression->new($B, $u))
11     -AutonomousFunctionExpression->new($B, $u,
12     AutonomousFunctionExpression->new($A, $u));
13 print $Stu->str() . "\n";
14 print $Cu->str() . "\n";
```

Output:

```
E_B[t, E_A[t, u]]
-B{1}[u](B[u])+A{1}[u](B[u])
```

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Method substitute

Define $S(t, u)$ by substituting $v \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)$ in $\mathcal{E}_B(t, v)$:

```
15 my $v = SpaceVariable ->new('v');
16 my $E_Atu = FlowExpression ->new($A, $t, $u);
17 my $E_Btv = FlowExpression ->new($B, $t, $v);
18 my $Stu = $E_Btv ->substitute($v, $E_Atu);
19 print $Stu ->str() . "\n";
```

Output:

```
E_B[t, E_A[t, u]]
```

Define $D(u) = [A, [A, B]](u)$ by substituting $B \rightarrow [A, B]$ in
 $C(u) = [A, B](u)$:

```
20 # $Cu already defined
21 my $Du = $Cu ->substitute($B, $Cu, $u);
22 print $Du ->str() . "\n";
```

Output:

```
-A{2}[u](B[u], A{1}[u](B[u])) - B{1}[u](B[u]) - A{1}[u](B{1}[u](A{1}[u](B[u]) - B{1}[u](B[u]))) + B{2}[u](B[u], A{1}[u](B[u]) - B{1}[u](B[u])) + B{1}[u](B{1}[u](A{1}[u](B[u]) - B{1}[u](B[u]))) + A{1}[u](A{1}[u](B[u]) - B{1}[u](B[u]))
```

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Method `t_derivative`

Define $S^{(1)}(t, u) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} S(t, u) - A(S(t, u)) - B(S(t, u))$:

```
23 my $S1tu = $Stu->t_derivative($t)
24         -AutonomousFunctionExpression->new($A, $Stu)
25         -AutonomousFunctionExpression->new($B, $Stu);
26 print $S1tu->str() . "\n";
```

Output:

```
E_B{0,1}[t, E_A[t, u]](A[E_A[t, u]]) - A[E_B[t, E_A[t, u]]]
```

Note that the output corresponds to

$$S^{(1)}(t, u) = \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)) \cdot A(\mathcal{E}_A(t, u)) - A(\mathcal{E}_B(t, \mathcal{E}_A(t, u)))$$

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Method differential (1)

Compute higher-order Fréchet derivatives of

$$Z(u) = F(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) - \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F(u) = 0$$

```
27 my $F = AutonomousFunction ->new('F');
28 my $Zu = AutonomousFunctionExpression ->new($F,
29     FlowExpression ->new($F, $t, $u))
30     -FlowExpression ->new($F, $t, $u,
31     AutonomousFunctionExpression ->new($F, $u));
32 my $Z1uv = $Zu ->differential($u, $v);
33 my $w = SpaceVariable ->new('w');
34 my $Z2uvw = $Z1uv ->differential($u, $w);
35 print $Z1uv ->str() . "\n";
36 print $Z2uvw ->str() . "\n";
```

Output:

```
-E_F{0,1}[t,u](F{1}[u](v))+F{1}[E_F[t,u]](E_F{0,1}[t,u]
(v))-E_F{0,2}[t,u](F[u],v)
-E_F{0,1}[t,u](F{2}[u](v,w))+F{2}[E_F[t,u]](E_F{0,1}[t,
u](v),E_F{0,1}[t,u](w))-E_F{0,2}[t,u](F{1}[u](w),v)+F{1
}[E_F[t,u]](E_F{0,2}[t,u](v,w))-E_F{0,2}[t,u](F{1}[u](v
),w)-E_F{0,3}[t,u](F[u],v,w)
```

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Methods differential (2) and reduce_order

We obtain the identities

$$F(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) - \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F(u) = 0$$

$$F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot v - \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F(u), v) - \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F'(u) \cdot v = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} F''(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u))(\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot v, \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot w) + F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(v, w) \\ - \partial_2^3 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F(u), v, w) - \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F'(u) \cdot v, w) \\ - \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F'(u) \cdot w, v) - \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F''(u)(v, w) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The method `reduce_order` transforms expressions of the form of the highest order derivative in these identities by means of these identities:

$$\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F(u) \rightarrow F(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u))$$

$$\partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F(u), v) \rightarrow F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot v - \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F'(u) \cdot v$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_2^3 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F(u), v, w) \rightarrow F''(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u))(\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot v, \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot w) \\ + F'(\mathcal{E}_F(t, u)) \cdot \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(v, w) - \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F'(u) \cdot v, w) \\ - \partial_2^2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u)(F'(u) \cdot w, v) - \partial_2 \mathcal{E}_F(t, u) \cdot F''(u)(v, w) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for higher derivatives of analogous form

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(multi-)linear map applied to linear combination(s)
→ linear combination of (multi-)linear maps

Examples:

$$\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_A(t, u) \cdot (2v + 3w) \rightarrow 2\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_A(t, u) \cdot v + 3\partial_2 \mathcal{E}_A(t, u) \cdot w$$

$$A''(u)(v + w, v + w) \rightarrow A''(u)(v, v) + 2A''(u)(v, w) + A''(u)(w, w)$$

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$$\begin{aligned}y'(t) &= F(y(t)) \\y''(t) &= F'(y(t)) \cdot F(y(t)) \\y'''(t) &= F''(y(t))(F(y(t), F(y(t)) + F'(y(t)) \cdot F'(y(t)) \cdot F(y(t))) \\&\vdots\end{aligned}$$

terms = # elementary differentials (Butcher trees) of given order

available from the literature:

order	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
# terms	1	1	2	4	9	20	48	115	286	719	1842

↪ `elementary_differentials.pl`

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↪ `defect_lie_trotter.pl`

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Thank you for your attention!

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