

Newton-waveform method for simulation of constrained multibody systems

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The Newton-waveform method provides means for distributed integration of differential equations next to other known methods such as multi-rate integration or waveform relaxation. In our work we use Newton-waveform to co-simulate multibody systems coupled by kinematic constraints. Two such algorithms are presented – the one which converts non-linear equations of motion into series of linear DAEs with time-varying coefficients and the other which solves coupling constraint equations over prescribed time interval while the subsystem equations are integrated by subsystem simulators. Both algorithms are outlined and their basic properties are illustrated with numerical examples.