

Methodical Accelerator Design

Highlights on Coupling Calculations

Part I – Initialization

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Objectives

- ☛ Establish equations given in the MAD8 Phy.G.
- ☛ Cross-check equations used by MAD-X code.
- ☛ Record assumptions and limitations.
- ☛ Discussion...

Sector map

The TRANSVERSE LINEAR COUPLING calculation for **stable motion** in MAD-X consists of finding *some* similarity R_M that transforms a **sector map** M into its normal form M_\perp and apply *some* parametrization.

$$\vec{X}(s_2) = M \vec{X}(s_1),$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = R_M \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix} R_M^{-1} = R_M M_\perp R_M^{-1}.$$

Linear motion

A **linear motion** can be described by s-dependent quadratic Hamiltonian around some reference trajectory (bilinear matrix form):

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{X}^T H \vec{X},$$

where H is a real symmetrix matrix leading to the motion equation:

$$x'_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p_i} \quad \text{and} \quad p'_i = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial x_i} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{X}' = S H \vec{X},$$

where S is the fundamental symplectic unit matrix:

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} S_2 & 0 \\ S_2 & \ddots \\ 0 & \ddots \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S^{-1} = S^T = -S, \quad S^2 = -I.$$

► The sector map M is the solution of the motion equation.

Hamiltonian components in 4D

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{drift}} = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2}{2(1 + \delta_p)} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta_p^* = (1 + \delta_p)^{-1} \Rightarrow H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_p^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \delta_p^* \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{quad}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{drift}} + \frac{k_1}{2}(x^2 - y^2) \Rightarrow H = \begin{pmatrix} k_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_p^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -k_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \delta_p^* \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{skew-quad}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{drift}} + k_1^s xy \Rightarrow H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & k_1^s & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_p^* & 0 & 0 \\ k_1^s & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \delta_p^* \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{sbend}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{drift}} + \frac{k_0}{2\rho}x^2 \quad \text{and} \quad h = \rho^{-1} \Rightarrow H = \begin{pmatrix} hk_0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \delta_p^* & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \delta_p^* \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{solenoid}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{drift}} + k_s(yp_x - xp_y) + \frac{k_s^2}{2}(x^2 + y^2) \Rightarrow H = \begin{pmatrix} k_s^2 & 0 & 0 & -k_s \\ 0 & \delta_p^* & k_s & 0 \\ 0 & k_s & k_s^2 & 0 \\ -k_s & 0 & 0 & \delta_p^* \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hamiltonian of the system in 4D

The Hamiltonian of the system is (from previous examples):

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2}{2(1 + \delta_p)} + \frac{1}{2}(Fx^2 + Gy^2) + Kxy + L(yp_x - xp_y).$$

In matrix notation:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} F & 0 & K & -L \\ 0 & \delta_p^* & L & 0 \\ K & L & G & 0 \\ -L & 0 & 0 & \delta_p^* \end{pmatrix},$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} F &= hk_0 + k_1 + k_s^2, & G &= -k_1 + k_s^2, \\ K &= k_1^s, & L &= k_s. \end{aligned}$$

- Any bilinear Hamiltonian can be brought to this form by a suitable canonical transformation.

Symplectic condition

From two independent solutions \vec{X}_1 and \vec{X}_2 , we can verify that the bilinear form $\vec{X}_2^T S \vec{X}_1$ is an invariant of the Hamiltonian flow:

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{X}_2^T S \vec{X}_1)' &= \vec{X}_2^T S \vec{X}_1' + \vec{X}_2^T S \vec{X}_1' \\ &= (SH\vec{X}_2)^T S \vec{X}_1 + \vec{X}_2^T S (SH\vec{X}_1) \\ &= \vec{X}_2^T H^T S^T S \vec{X}_1 + \vec{X}_2^T S S H \vec{X}_1 \\ &= \vec{X}_2^T H^T \vec{X}_1 - \vec{X}_2^T H \vec{X}_1 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{X}_2^T(s_2) S \vec{X}_1(s_2) = \vec{X}_2^T(s_1) S \vec{X}_1(s_1). \quad (\text{Liouville Theorem})$$

Using the sector map:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{X}_1(s_2) &= M \vec{X}_1(s_1) \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{X}_2(s_2) = M \vec{X}_2(s_1), \\ \vec{X}_2^T(s_2) S \vec{X}_1(s_2) &= (M \vec{X}_2(s_1))^T S M \vec{X}_1(s_1) \\ &= \vec{X}_2^T(s_1) M^T S M \vec{X}_1(s_1). \quad (\text{validity check}) \end{aligned}$$

Identification of terms leads to the **symplectic condition** $M^T S M = S$.

Symplectic structure

Assuming a **stable linearized motion** implies:

- $M \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n, \mathbb{R})$ (symplectic real matrix)
- $M^T S M = S$ (symplectic condition)
- $\det(M) = 1$ (symplectic matrix)
- $\{(\lambda_i, \lambda_i^{-1}), i = 1..n\}$ (symplectic matrix)
- $|\lambda| = 1$ (stable motion)
- Idem for M^{-1} (symplectic condition)
- Idem for M_\perp (similarity property)

► Given that λ is an eigenvalue of $M \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n, \mathbb{R})$:

$$|M^T - \lambda I| = 0 \xrightarrow{\times SM} |S - \lambda SM| = 0 \xrightarrow{\lambda^{-1} S \times} |M - \frac{1}{\lambda} I| = 0.$$

Symplectic conjugate

From the symplectic condition:

$$M^T S M = S \quad \Rightarrow \quad M^{-1} = S^{-1} M^T S = -S M^T S = \bar{M}$$

The **symplectic conjugate** of a $2n \times 2n$ real matrix is defined by:

$$\bar{A} = -S A^T S \quad (A \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n, \mathbb{R}) \Leftrightarrow \bar{A} = A^{-1})$$

For a 2×2 real matrix,

$$\bar{A} = \overline{\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{aligned} A\bar{A} &= \bar{A}A = (ad - bc)I = \det(A)I, \\ A + \bar{A} &= (a+d)I = \mathrm{tr}(A)I, \\ A + \bar{B} &= \bar{A} + B, \\ |A + \bar{B}| &= |A| + |B| + \mathrm{tr}(AB). \end{aligned}$$

For $2n \times 2n$ real matrix,

$$\bar{A} = \overline{(A_{ij})}_{1 \leq i,j \leq n} = (\bar{A}_{ji})_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}$$

Symplectic relations

From the symplectic condition $M^TSM = MSM^T = S$:

$$A^T SA + C^T SC = S \xrightarrow{-S\times} \bar{A}A + \bar{C}C = I$$

$$A^T SB + C^T SD = S \xrightarrow{-S\times} \bar{A}B + \bar{C}D = 0$$

$$B^T SA + D^T SC = S \xrightarrow{-S\times} \bar{B}A + \bar{D}C = 0$$

$$B^T SB + D^T SD = S \xrightarrow{-S\times} \bar{B}B + \bar{D}D = I$$

$$ASA^T + BSB^T = S \xrightarrow{\times -S} A\bar{A} + B\bar{B} = I$$

$$ASC^T + BSD^T = S \xrightarrow{\times -S} A\bar{C} + B\bar{D} = 0$$

$$CSA^T + DSB^T = S \xrightarrow{\times -S} C\bar{A} + D\bar{B} = 0$$

$$CSC^T + DSD^T = S \xrightarrow{\times -S} C\bar{C} + D\bar{D} = I$$

$$\begin{aligned} M \in \mathrm{Sp}(4, \mathbb{R}) &\Rightarrow |A| + |C| = |B| + |D| = |A| + |B| = |C| + |D| = 1, \\ &\Rightarrow |A| = |D| \quad \text{and} \quad |B| = |C|. \end{aligned}$$

Characteristic polynomial

From the symplectic condition: $M \in \mathrm{Sp}(2n, \mathbb{R})$

$$\mathrm{eig}(M) = \mathrm{eig}(M^{-1}) = \{ (\lambda_i, \lambda_i^{-1}), i = 1..n \},$$

$$\mathrm{eig}(M + \bar{M}) = \{ \Lambda_i = \lambda_i + \lambda_i^{-1}, i = 1..n \}.$$

Characteristic polynomial (coupled motion):

$$\begin{aligned}\det(M + \bar{M} - \Lambda I) &= \begin{vmatrix} A + \bar{A} - \Lambda I & B + \bar{C} \\ C + \bar{B} & D + \bar{D} - \Lambda I \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} (\mathrm{tr} A - \Lambda)I & \overline{C + \bar{B}} \\ C + \bar{B} & (\mathrm{tr} D - \Lambda)I \end{vmatrix} \\ &= |(\mathrm{tr} A - \Lambda)(\mathrm{tr} D - \Lambda)I - (C + \bar{B})(\overline{C + \bar{B}})| \\ &= ((\mathrm{tr} A - \Lambda)(\mathrm{tr} D - \Lambda) - |C + \bar{B}|)^2 |I| = 0. \\ \Rightarrow (\mathrm{tr} A - \Lambda)(\mathrm{tr} D - \Lambda) - |C + \bar{B}| &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Determinant of block matrix:

$$\left| \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ -CA^{-1} & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \right| = |AD - ACA^{-1}B| \stackrel{A \rightarrow \alpha I}{=} |AD - CB|.$$

Eigenmodes

Characteristic polynomial:

$$(\text{tr } A - \Lambda)(\text{tr } D - \Lambda) - |C + \bar{B}| = 0$$

$$\Lambda^2 - (\text{tr } A + \text{tr } D)\Lambda + \text{tr } A \text{ tr } D - |C + \bar{B}| = 0.$$

Solving for Λ :

$$\Delta = (\text{tr } A + \text{tr } D)^2 - 4(\text{tr } A \text{ tr } D - |C + \bar{B}|)$$

$$= (\text{tr } A - \text{tr } D)^2 + 4|C + \bar{B}|$$

$$\Lambda_A = \frac{1}{2}(\text{tr } A + \text{tr } D) + \frac{1}{2}\text{sign}(\text{tr } A - \text{tr } D)\sqrt{\Delta}$$

$$\Lambda_D = \Lambda_A^{-1} (\text{tr } A \text{ tr } D - |C + \bar{B}|) \quad (\text{optional})$$

$$\Lambda \in \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow |C + \bar{B}| \geq -\frac{1}{4}(\text{tr } A - \text{tr } D)^2 \quad (\text{validity check})$$

Solving for λ :

$$\Lambda = \lambda + 1/\lambda \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - \Lambda\lambda + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \left(\Lambda \pm \sqrt{\Lambda^2 - 4} \right)$$

$$\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R} \Leftrightarrow \Lambda \in (-2, 2) \quad (\text{validity check})$$

Stable motion

From the characteristic polynomial:

$$\Lambda_{A,D} = \frac{1}{2}(\text{tr } A + \text{tr } D) \pm \frac{1}{2} \text{sign}(\text{tr } A - \text{tr } D)\sqrt{\Delta}$$

$$|C + \bar{B}| = (\Lambda_{A,D} - \text{tr } D)(\Lambda_{A,D} - \text{tr } A) = \text{tr } A \text{tr } D - \Lambda_A \Lambda_D$$

Stable motion: $|\lambda| = 1 \Leftrightarrow \lambda^{-1} = \lambda^* \Leftrightarrow \lambda = e^{\pm i\mu}, \quad +\mu \in [0, 2\pi)$

$$\Lambda_{A,D} = \lambda_{A,D} + 1/\lambda_{A,D} = 2 \cos \mu_{A,D}$$

$$(\Lambda_A - \Lambda_D)^2 = 4(\cos \mu_A - \cos \mu_D)^2 = \Delta$$

Degenerated cases:

$$\Delta < 0 \Rightarrow \Lambda \notin \mathbb{R} \quad (\text{unstability induced by coupling})$$

$$\Lambda = \pm 2 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1 \Rightarrow \mu = k\pi \quad (\text{undetermined solution})$$

$$B = C = 0 \Rightarrow \Lambda_{A,D} = \text{tr } A, D \quad (\text{uncoupled solution})$$

$$|C + \bar{B}| = 0 \Leftrightarrow \Lambda_{A,D} = \text{tr } A, D \quad (\text{uncoupled tunes})$$

$$\text{tr } A = \text{tr } D \Rightarrow |C + \bar{B}| > 0 \quad (\text{coupled tunes})$$

$$\Lambda_A = \Lambda_D \Leftrightarrow |C + \bar{B}| = -\text{tr}(A - D)^2/4 \quad (\text{equal tunes})$$

Eigenvectors

For any non-zero eigenvectors \vec{X} and \vec{Y} :

$$(M + \bar{M} - \Lambda_A I) \vec{X} = \begin{pmatrix} (\text{tr } A - \Lambda_A)I & B + \bar{C} \\ C + \bar{B} & (\text{tr } D - \Lambda_A)I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ R_A X \end{pmatrix} = 0,$$

$$(M + \bar{M} - \Lambda_D I) \vec{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} (\text{tr } A - \Lambda_D)I & B + \bar{C} \\ C + \bar{B} & (\text{tr } D - \Lambda_D)I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} R_D Y \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Leading to the solutions:

(full coupling $R_{A,D} \approx \alpha I$)

$$R_A = \frac{C + \bar{B}}{\Lambda_A - \text{tr } D}, \quad R_D = \frac{B + \bar{C}}{\Lambda_D - \text{tr } A} = \frac{\overline{C + \bar{B}}}{-(\Lambda_A - \text{tr } D)} = -\bar{R}_A$$

MAD8 Phy.G. eq. 7.6, $R = -R_A = \bar{R}_D$: (two typos)

$$R = - \left(\frac{1}{2}(\text{tr } A - \text{tr } D) + \frac{1}{2} \text{sign}(\text{tr } A - \text{tr } D) \sqrt{\Delta} \right)^{-1} (C + \bar{B})$$

From R_A , R_D and $|B| = |C|$ we find that $BR = \bar{R}C$ and $RB = C\bar{R}$.

Normal form

The similarity R_M that block-diagonalizes M can be built from the eigenvectors found previously (MAD8 Phy.G. eq. 7.4, $R = R_M^{-1}$):

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\perp} &= R_M^{-1} M R_M = g^2 \bar{R}_M M R_M \\ &= g^2 \begin{pmatrix} I & R_D \\ R_A & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & R_D \\ R_A & I \end{pmatrix} \\ &= g^2 \begin{pmatrix} I & -R_D \\ -R_A & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & R_D \\ R_A & I \end{pmatrix} \\ &= g^2 \begin{pmatrix} I & -\bar{R} \\ R & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & \bar{R} \\ -R & I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where g has to be determined such that $R_M^{-1} R_M = g^2 \bar{R}_M R_M = I$. Solving last equation for E and F gives:

$$\begin{aligned} E &= g^2(A - BR - \bar{R}C + \bar{R}DR) , \quad 0 = B + A\bar{R} - \bar{R}D - \bar{R}C\bar{R} \\ F &= g^2(D + RB + C\bar{R} + RA\bar{R}) , \quad 0 = C + RA - DR - RBR. \end{aligned}$$

Coupling strength and structure

In the previous normalization, the factor g^{-1} represents the strength of the coupling and gR its structure. To determine g , we solve:

$$g^2 \bar{R}_M R_M = g^2 \begin{pmatrix} I + \bar{R}R & 0 \\ 0 & I + R\bar{R} \end{pmatrix} = g^2 (1 + |R|) I = I$$

That is $g = (1 + |R|)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = |R_M|^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, gR_M is symplectic and so is M_\perp .

$$1 + R\bar{R} > 0 \Rightarrow |C + \bar{B}| > -(\Lambda_{A,D} - \text{tr } D, A)^2 \quad (\text{validity check})$$

From the characteristic polynomial using either $\Lambda_{A,D}$:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - R_A R_D &= 1 - \frac{|C + \bar{B}|}{(\Lambda_A - \text{tr } D)(\Lambda_D - \text{tr } A)} = \frac{\Lambda_D - \Lambda_A}{\Lambda_D - \text{tr } A} = \frac{\Lambda_A - \Lambda_D}{\Lambda_A - \text{tr } D} \\ g &= \left(\frac{\Lambda_D - \Lambda_A}{\Lambda_D - \text{tr } A} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\frac{\Lambda_A - \Lambda_D}{\Lambda_A - \text{tr } D} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Edwards–Teng parametrization of gR_M is $g = \cos \theta$ and $D = -R \tan \theta$ from the 4D “symplectic” rotation of planes A and D by angle θ .

Normal form revisited

From previous block diagonal form:

$$\begin{array}{ll} 0 = (B + A\bar{R} - \bar{R}D - \bar{R}C\bar{R})R & 0 = (C + RA - DR - RBR)\bar{R} \\ = (A - \bar{R}C)|R| + (BR - \bar{R}DR) & = (D + RB)|R| - (C\bar{R} + RA\bar{R}) \\ \\ E = g^2(A - \bar{R}C - (BR - \bar{R}DR)) & F = g^2(D + RB + (C\bar{R} + RA\bar{R})) \\ = (1 + |R|)^{-1}(A - \bar{R}C)(1 + |R|) & = (1 + |R|)^{-1}(D + RB)(1 + |R|) \\ = A - \bar{R}C = A - BR & = D + RB = D + C\bar{R} \end{array}$$

MAD8 Phy.G. eq. 7.6: $E = A - BR$,
 $F = D + \bar{R}C$. (typo)

MAD-X code: $E = A - BR$,
 $F = D + RB$ or $F = D + C\bar{R}$. (correct)

Twiss parameters

Twiss parameters of E (and F) can be found by:

$$\det E = 1 , \quad |\operatorname{tr} E| \leq 2 \quad (\text{validity check})$$

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} E_{1,1} & E_{1,2} \\ E_{2,1} & E_{2,2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \mu_A + \alpha_A \sin \mu_A & \beta_A \sin \mu_A \\ -\gamma_A \sin \mu_A & \cos \mu_A - \alpha_A \sin \mu_A \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cos \mu_A = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} E, \quad \sin \mu_A = \operatorname{sign}(E_{1,2}) \sqrt{-E_{1,2}E_{2,1} - \left(\frac{E_{1,1} - E_{2,2}}{2} \right)^2}$$

$$\beta_A = \frac{E_{1,2}}{\sin \mu_A}, \quad \gamma_A = -\frac{E_{2,1}}{\sin \mu_A}, \quad \alpha_A = \frac{E_{1,1} - E_{2,2}}{2 \sin \mu_A}$$

$$M_\perp \in \operatorname{Sp}(4, \mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow \det E = 1 \Rightarrow \beta_A \gamma_A - \alpha_A^2 = 1 \quad (\text{validity check})$$

MAD-X code: $\gamma_A = \frac{1 + \alpha_A^2}{\beta_A}$

Ripken–Mais parameters

From the previous Twiss parameters, g and R , MAD-X computes:

$$\beta_{11} = g^2 \beta_A, \quad \beta_{12} = g^2 (R_{2,2}^2 \beta_D + 2R_{1,2} R_{2,2} \alpha_D + R_{1,2}^2 \gamma_D)$$

$$\beta_{22} = g^2 \beta_D, \quad \beta_{21} = g^2 (R_{1,1}^2 \beta_A - 2R_{1,2} R_{1,1} \alpha_A + R_{1,2}^2 \gamma_A)$$

$$\alpha_{11} = g^2 \alpha_A, \quad \alpha_{12} = g^2 (R_{2,1} R_{2,2} \beta_D + (R_{1,2} R_{2,1} + R_{1,1} R_{2,2}) \alpha_D + R_{1,2} R_{1,1} \gamma_D)$$

$$\alpha_{22} = g^2 \alpha_D, \quad \alpha_{21} = -g^2 (R_{2,1} R_{1,1} \beta_A - (R_{1,2} R_{2,1} + R_{1,1} R_{2,2}) \alpha_A + R_{1,2} R_{2,2} \gamma_A)$$

$$\gamma_{11} = g^2 \gamma_A, \quad \gamma_{12} = \frac{(1-g^2)^2 + \alpha_{12}^2}{\beta_{12}} \text{ if } \beta_{12} \neq 0, \text{ otherwise } \gamma_{12} = 0$$

$$\gamma_{22} = g^2 \gamma_D, \quad \gamma_{21} = \frac{(1-g^2)^2 + \alpha_{21}^2}{\beta_{21}} \text{ if } \beta_{21} \neq 0, \text{ otherwise } \gamma_{21} = 0$$

Note that Ripken–Mais formalism uses eigenmodes (and eigenbasis):

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_{A,D} + \lambda_{A,D}^*) = \cos \mu_{A,D}, -\frac{1}{2i} (\lambda_{A,D} - \lambda_{A,D}^*) = -\sin \mu_{A,D} \right\}$$

Conclusions and comments

Requirements:

- ☞ Sector map M is symplectic (bug fixed in 2016).
- ☞ Stable linearized motion.

Things to look at:

- ☞ Why $|C + \bar{B}|$ should not be negative in MAD8 Phy.G.?
i.e. Should be related to (unstable) sum of resonances...
- ☞ What about implementing the complete tracking of M ,
i.e. recompute $\Lambda_{A,D}$, R , E , and F from scratch.
- ☞ Add checks for symplectic conditions after each element.
- ☞ Handling of strong/full coupling, i.e. $R_A = \frac{C + \bar{B}}{\Lambda_A - \text{tr } D} \approx \alpha I$.
- ☞ Check numerical instabilities,
e.g. avoid catastrophic cancellation.