

# Computation of the interlayer boundary conditions for the construction of TransferMatrix in MultiLayerIndentation Package

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## Source for the MultiLayerIndentation Package

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## ■ Load the Tensor2Analysis.m Package

The Tensor2Analysis.m is an ressource file for the book *A. Constantinescu and A.M. Korsunsky - Elasticity with Mathematica, Cambridge University Press, 2007* and can be downloaded from the webpages of the publisher:

<http://www.cambridge.org/aus/catalogue/catalogue.asp?isbn=9780521842013&ss=res>

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SetDirectory["/mydata/constant/Elastica/ElasticaBook/Packages"]
<< Tensor2Analysis.m
/mydata/constant/Elastica/ElasticaBook/Packages
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## ■ Define coordinate systems

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Clear["Global`*"]

SetCoordinates[Cylindrical[r, t, z]]
CoordinatesToCartesian[{r, t, z}]

Cylindrical[r, t, z]
{r Cos[t], r Sin[t], z}
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## ■ Displacement and stresses in the layers from Papkovich-Neuber Potentials

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ψ[i_] = {A1[i], A2[i]} . {Cosh[λ (z - h[i - 1])], Sinh[λ (z - h[i - 1])]}
BesselJ[0, λ r] / Sinh[λ (h[i] - h[i - 1])]
ϕ[i_] = {A4[i], A3[i]} . {Cosh[λ (z - h[i - 1])], Sinh[λ (z - h[i - 1])]}
BesselJ[0, λ r] / λ / Sinh[λ (h[i] - h[i - 1])]

BesselJ[0, r λ] Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])]
(A1[i] Cosh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] + A2[i] Sinh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])])

1
-BesselJ[0, r λ] Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])]
λ
(A4[i] Cosh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] + A3[i] Sinh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])])

FullSimplify[Laplacian[ψ[i]]]
FullSimplify[Laplacian[ϕ[i]]]

0
0

psi[i_] = {0, 0, 4 (-1 + ν[i]) ψ[i]}
phi[i_] = 4 (-1 + ν[i]) ϕ[i]
pos = {r, 0, z}

{0, 0, 4 BesselJ[0, r λ] Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])]
(A1[i] Cosh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] + A2[i] Sinh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])]) (-1 + ν[i])}

1
-4 BesselJ[0, r λ] Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])]
λ
(A4[i] Cosh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] + A3[i] Sinh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])]) (-1 + ν[i])

{r, 0, z}

u[i_] = 1 / (2 μ[i]) FullSimplify[psi[i] - 1 / (4 (1 - ν[i])) Grad[Dot[pos, psi[i]] + phi[i]]]

{ -1
-- BesselJ[1, r λ] Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])]
2 μ[i]
((z λ A1[i] + A4[i]) Cosh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] + (z λ A2[i] + A3[i]) Sinh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])]),
0, 1
-- BesselJ[0, r λ] Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])]
2 μ[i]
(Cosh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] (z λ A2[i] + A3[i] + A1[i] (-3 + 4 ν[i])) +
Sinh[λ (z - h[-1 + i])] (z λ A1[i] + A4[i] + A2[i] (-3 + 4 ν[i])))}

Lphi = Laplacian[ϕ[i]] == 0;
Lpsi = Laplacian[ψ[i]] == 0;
DrLphi = D[Laplacian[ϕ[i]], r] == 0;
DzLphi = D[Laplacian[ϕ[i]], z] == 0;
DrLpsi = D[Laplacian[ψ[i]], r] == 0;
DzLpsi = D[Laplacian[ψ[i]], z] == 0;

eps[i_] =
FullSimplify[1 / 2 (Grad[u[i]] + Transpose[Grad[u[i]]]), Assumptions → {Lphi, Lpsi}];
sig[i_] = 2 μ[i] (ν[i] / (1 - 2 ν[i]) Tr[eps[i]] IdentityMatrix[3] + eps[i]);

FullSimplify[Div[sig[i]], Assumptions → {Lphi, DrLphi, DzLphi, Lpsi, DrLpsi, DzLpsi}]

{0, 0, 0}

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## Boundary conditions between layers: bonded

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lh = FullSimplify[{{(u[i][1] - u[i + 1][1]) / BesselJ[1, r λ] ,
  (u[i][3] - u[i + 1][3]) / BesselJ[0, r λ] ,
  (sig[i][3, 3] - sig[i + 1][3, 3]) / (λ BesselJ[0, r λ]) ,
  (sig[i][1, 3] - sig[i + 1][1, 3]) / (λ BesselJ[1, r λ]) } /. z → h[i]]

{1/(2 μ[i] μ[1 + i]) (Csch[λ (-h[i] + h[1 + i])] (A4[1 + i] + λ A1[1 + i] h[i]) μ[i] -
  (A3[i] + λ A2[i] h[i] + Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] (A4[i] + λ A1[i] h[i])) μ[1 + i]),
  1/(2 μ[i]) ((A4[i] + A3[i] Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] +
    A1[i] (λ h[i] + Coth[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] (3 - 4 ν[i])) +
    A2[i] (-3 + λ Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] h[i] + 4 ν[i])) +
    Csch[λ (h[i] - h[1 + i])] (A3[1 + i] + λ A2[1 + i] h[i] + A1[1 + i] (-3 + 4 ν[1 + i]))) )/μ[1 + i],
  A3[i] + A4[i] Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] + A2[i] (λ h[i] - 2 Coth[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] (-1 + ν[i])) +
  A1[i] (-2 + λ Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] h[i] + 2 ν[i]) +
  Csch[λ (h[i] - h[1 + i])] (A4[1 + i] + λ A1[1 + i] h[i] + 2 A2[1 + i] (-1 + ν[1 + i])),
  -A4[i] + A3[i] Coth[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] +
  A1[i] (-λ h[i] + Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] (1 - 2 ν[i])) +
  A2[i] (1 + λ Coth[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] h[i] - 2 ν[i]) -
  Csch[λ (h[i] - h[1 + i])] (A3[1 + i] + λ A2[1 + i] h[i] + A1[1 + i] (-1 + 2 ν[1 + i])))}

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FullSimplify[ Solve[ Thread[ lh == {0, 0, 0, 0}], {A1[i], A2[i], A3[i], A4[i]} ] ]

{A1[i] →  $\frac{1}{4 \mu[1+i] (-1+\nu[i])} \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda(h[i]-h[1+i])]$ 
 (A3[1+i] + λ A2[1+i] h[i]) Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) +
 2 A4[1+i] Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (-μ[i] + μ[1+i]) - 2 A2[1+i] μ[1+i] (-1+ν[1+i]) +
 2 A2[1+i] Cosh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] μ[1+i] (-1+ν[1+i]) +
 A1[1+i] (2 λ h[i] Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (-μ[i] + μ[1+i]) +
 Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (μ[1+i] (1-2 ν[1+i]) + μ[i] (-3+4 ν[1+i]))) ) ,
 A2[i] →  $\frac{1}{4 \mu[1+i] (-1+\nu[i])} \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda(h[i]-h[1+i])]$ 
 (- (A3[1+i] + λ A2[1+i] h[i]) (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) +
 (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) + Cosh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (A3[1+i] + λ A2[1+i] h[i]) (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) +
 Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (A4[1+i] (-μ[i] + μ[1+i]) + 2 A2[1+i] μ[1+i] (-1+ν[1+i])) +
 A1[1+i] (3 μ[i] - μ[1+i] + λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (-μ[i] + μ[1+i]) -
 4 μ[i] ν[1+i] + 2 μ[1+i] ν[1+i] +
 Cosh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (μ[1+i] (1-2 ν[1+i]) + μ[i] (-3+4 ν[1+i]))) ) ,
 A3[i] →  $\frac{1}{4 \mu[1+i] (-1+\nu[i])} \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda(h[i]-h[1+i])]$ 
 (A4[1+i] (λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] (-μ[i] + μ[1+i]) -
 2 μ[i] (-1+ν[i]) + 2 Cosh[2 λ (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] μ[i] (-1+ν[i])) +
 λ Cosh[2 λ (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] h[i] (- (A3[1+i] + λ A2[1+i] h[i]) (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) +
 A1[1+i] (μ[i] (1+2 ν[i] - 4 ν[1+i]) + μ[1+i] (-1+2 ν[1+i]))) +
 λ h[i] ((A3[1+i] + λ A2[1+i] h[i]) (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) +
 A1[1+i] (μ[1+i] (1-2 ν[1+i]) + μ[i] (-1-2 ν[i] + 4 ν[1+i]))) +
 Sinh[2 λ (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] (A3[1+i] (μ[1+i] (3-4 ν[i]) + μ[i] (-1+2 ν[i])) +
 λ A2[1+i] h[i] (μ[i] (-1+2 ν[i]) + μ[1+i] (1-4 ν[i] + 2 ν[1+i]))) +
 A1[1+i] (μ[1+i] (λ² h[i]² - (-3+4 ν[i]) (-1+2 ν[1+i])) -
 μ[i] (λ² h[i]² - (-1+2 ν[i]) (-3+4 ν[1+i]))) ) ,
 A4[i] →  $\frac{1}{4 \mu[1+i] (-1+\nu[i])} \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda(h[i]-h[1+i])]$ 
 (2 A4[1+i] (λ h[i] Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (μ[i] - μ[1+i]) +
 Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] μ[i] (-1+ν[i])) + A3[1+i] (-μ[i] + 3 μ[1+i] +
 λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (-μ[i] + μ[1+i]) + 2 μ[i] ν[i] - 4 μ[1+i] ν[i] +
 Cosh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (μ[i] (1-2 ν[i]) + μ[1+i] (-3+4 ν[i]))) + λ A2[1+i] h[i] +
 (-μ[i] (λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] + 2 Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (-1+2 ν[i])) +
 μ[1+i] (λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] +
 2 Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (-1+4 ν[i] - 2 ν[1+i]))) +
 A1[1+i] (μ[1+i] (-2 λ² h[i]² Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² + λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (-1+2 ν[1+i]) + 2 Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (-3+4 ν[i]) (-1+2 ν[1+i])) + μ[i] (
 2 λ² h[i]² Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² + λ h[i] Sinh[2 λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (1+2 ν[i] -
 4 ν[1+i]) - 2 Sinh[λ (h[-1+i] - h[i])]² (-1+2 ν[i]) (-3+4 ν[1+i]))) ) }

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## ■ Boundary conditions between layers: sliding

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lhs = FullSimplify[{{(u[i][[3]] - u[i + 1][[3]]) / BesselJ[0, r λ] ,
  (sig[i][[3, 3]] - sig[i + 1][[3, 3]]) / (λ BesselJ[0, r λ]) ,
  sig[i][[1, 3]] / (λ BesselJ[1, r λ]) ,
  sig[i + 1][[1, 3]] / (λ BesselJ[1, r λ]) } /. z → h[i]]


$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\frac{1}{\mu[i]} (A4[i] + A3[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] + A1[i] (\lambda h[i] + \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (3 - 4 v[i])) + A2[i] (-3 + \lambda \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] h[i] + 4 v[i])) + \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (h[i] - h[1+i])] (A3[1+i] + \lambda A2[1+i] h[i] + A1[1+i] (-3 + 4 v[1+i])))}{\mu[1+i]}, A3[i] + A4[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] + A2[i] (\lambda h[i] - 2 \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (-1 + v[i])) + A1[i] (-2 + \lambda \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] h[i] + 2 v[i]) + \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (h[i] - h[1+i])] (A4[1+i] + \lambda A1[1+i] h[i] + 2 A2[1+i] (-1 + v[1+i])), \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] (-\operatorname{Cosh}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] (A3[i] + \lambda A2[i] h[i] + A1[i] (-1 + 2 v[i])) + \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (A4[i] + \lambda A1[i] h[i] + A2[i] (-1 + 2 v[i]))) + \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[i] + h[1+i])] (A3[1+i] + \lambda A2[1+i] h[i] + A1[1+i] (-1 + 2 v[1+i]))) \right),$$


FullSimplify[Solve[Thread[lhs == {0, 0, 0, 0}], {A1[i], A2[i], A3[i], A4[i]}]]

Solve::svrs : Equations may not give solutions for all "solve" variables. >>
$Aborted

Normal[CoefficientArrays[lhs, {A1[i], A2[i], A3[i], A4[i]}][[1]]] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (h[i]-h[1+i])] (A3[1+i]+\lambda A2[1+i] h[i]+A1[1+i] (-3+4 v[1+i]))}{2 \mu[1+i]} \\ \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (h[i] - h[1+i])] (A4[1+i] + \lambda A1[1+i] h[i] + 2 A2[1+i] (-1 + v[1+i])) \\ 0 \\ -\operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[i] + h[1+i])] (A3[1+i] + \lambda A2[1+i] h[i] + A1[1+i] (-1 + 2 v[1+i])) \end{pmatrix}$$


Normal[CoefficientArrays[lhs, {A1[i], A2[i], A3[i], A4[i]}][[2]]] // MatrixForm

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\lambda h[i]+\operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] (3-4 v[i])}{2 \mu[i]} \\ -2+\lambda \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] h[i]+2 v[i] \\ \lambda \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] h[i] \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] -\operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] (-1+2 v[i]) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$


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## ■ Displacement and stresses in the halfspace

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ψf = A5 Exp[-λ (z - hf)] BesselJ[0, λ r]
ϕf = A6 Exp[-λ (z - hf)] BesselJ[0, λ r] / λ
A5 e-(hf+z) λ BesselJ[0, r λ]
A6 e-(hf+z) λ BesselJ[0, r λ]

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FullSimplify[ Laplacian[ ψf ] ]
FullSimplify[ Laplacian[ φf ] ]

0
0

psif = {0, 0, 4 (-1 + vf) ψf}
phif = 4 (-1 + vf) φf
pos = {r, 0, z}

{0, 0, 4 A5 e(-hf+z) λ (-1 + vf) BesselJ[0, r λ]}

4 A6 e(-hf+z) λ (-1 + vf) BesselJ[0, r λ]
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λ

{r, 0, z}

uf = 1 / (2 μf) FullSimplify[psif - 1 / (4 (1 - vf)) Grad[Dot[pos, psif] + phif]]
{ - e(hf-z) λ (A6 + A5 z λ) BesselJ[1, r λ], 0, - e(hf-z) λ (A6 + A5 (3 + z λ - 4 vf)) BesselJ[0, r λ] }
2 μf
2 μf

Lphi = Laplacian[φf] == 0;
Lpsi = Laplacian[ψf] == 0;
DrLphi = D[Laplacian[φf], r] == 0;
DzLphi = D[Laplacian[φf], z] == 0;
DrLpsi = D[Laplacian[ψf], r] == 0;
DzLpsi = D[Laplacian[ψf], z] == 0;

epsf = FullSimplify[1 / 2 (Grad[uf] + Transpose[Grad[uf]]), Assumptions → {Lphi, Lpsi}];

sigf = 2 μf (vf / (1 - 2 vf) Tr[epsf] IdentityMatrix[3] + epsf);

FullSimplify[Div[sigf], Assumptions → {Lphi, DrLphi, DzLphi, Lpsi, DrLpsi, DzLpsi}]

{0, 0, 0}

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- Boundary conditions last layer to half space: bonded

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FullSimplify[ Solve[ Thread[ lhf == {0, 0, 0, 0}], {A1[i], A2[i], A3[i], A4[i]} ] ]
{A1[i] →  $\frac{1}{2 \mu f (-1 + \nu[i])} \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (\operatorname{hf} - h[-1 + i])]^2$ 
(-μf (A6 + A5 (2 + hf λ - 2 vf)) + μf (A5 + A6 + A5 hf λ - 2 A5 vf) Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] +
(A6 + A5 hf λ - (A6 + A5 (3 + hf λ - 4 vf)) Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] μ[i]),

A2[i] →  $\frac{1}{2 \mu f (-1 + \nu[i])} \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (\operatorname{hf} - h[-1 + i])]^2$ 
(-μf (A5 + A6 + A5 hf λ - 2 A5 vf) + μf (A6 + A5 (2 + hf λ - 2 vf)) Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] +
(A6 + A5 (3 + hf λ - 4 vf) - (A6 + A5 hf λ) Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] μ[i]),

A3[i] →  $\frac{1}{2 \mu f (-1 + \nu[i])} \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (\operatorname{hf} - h[-1 + i])]^2$ 
(μf (hf λ (A5 + A6 + A5 hf λ - 2 A5 vf) + (A6 (3 - hf λ) + A5 (3 - 6 vf + hf λ (1 - hf λ + 2 vf))) +
Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] - 4 (A5 + A6 + A5 hf λ - 2 A5 vf) Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] ν[i]) +
μ[i] (A6 (2 - hf λ) - A5 hf λ (1 + hf λ - 4 vf) + (A6 (-1 + hf λ) + A5 (-3 + hf λ (-1 + hf λ) + 4 vf)) +
Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] +
2 (-A6 - A5 hf λ + (A6 + A5 (3 + hf λ - 4 vf)) Coth[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] ν[i])),

A4[i] →  $\frac{1}{2 \mu f (-1 + \nu[i])} \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (\operatorname{hf} - h[-1 + i])] (-hf λ μf (A5 + A6 + A5 hf λ - 2 A5 vf) +
\operatorname{Cosh}[\lambda (hf - h[-1 + i])] + μf \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (hf - h[-1 + i])] )$ 
(A6 (-3 + hf λ) + A5 (-3 + hf λ (-1 + hf λ - 2 vf) + 6 vf) + 4 (A5 + A6 + A5 hf λ - 2 A5 vf) ν[i]) +
μ[i] (Cosh[λ (hf - h[-1 + i])] (A6 (-2 + hf λ) + A5 hf λ (1 + hf λ - 4 vf) + 2 (A6 + A5 hf λ) ν[i]) +
\operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (hf - h[-1 + i])] ) (A6 - A6 hf λ + A5 (3 + hf λ (1 - hf λ) - 4 vf) - 2 (A6 + A5 (3 + hf λ - 4 vf)) ν[i])) } }

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## ■ Boundary conditions last layer to half space: sliding

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lhs = FullSimplify[{(u[i][[3]] - uf[[3]]) / BesselJ[0, r λ] ,
  (sig[i][[3, 3]] - sigf[[3, 3]]) / (λ BesselJ[0, r λ]) ,
  sig[i][[1, 3]] / (λ BesselJ[1, r λ]),
  sigf[[1, 3]] / (λ BesselJ[1, r λ]) } /. z → h[i]]

{ $\frac{1}{2 \mu f \mu[i]}$ 
(eλ (hf-h[i]) (A6 + A5 (3 - 4 vf) + A5 λ h[i]) μ[i] + μf (A4[i] + A3[i] Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] +
A1[i] (λ h[i] + Coth[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] (3 - 4 ν[i]))) +
A2[i] (-3 + λ Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] h[i] + 4 ν[i])),

A3[i] + A4[i] Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] - eλ (hf-h[i]) (A6 - 2 A5 (-1 + vf) + A5 λ h[i]) +
A2[i] (λ h[i] - 2 Coth[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] (-1 + ν[i])) +
A1[i] (-2 + λ Coth[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] h[i] + 2 ν[i]),
Csch[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] (-Cosh[λ (-h[-1 + i] + h[i])] (A3[i] + λ A2[i] h[i] + A1[i] (-1 + 2 ν[i])) +
Sinh[λ (h[-1 + i] - h[i])] (A4[i] + λ A1[i] h[i] + A2[i] (-1 + 2 ν[i]))),

eλ (hf-h[i]) (A5 + A6 - 2 A5 vf + A5 λ h[i]) }

Normal[CoefficientArrays[lhs, {A1[i], A2[i], A3[i], A4[i]}][[2]]] // MatrixForm

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$$\begin{cases} \frac{\lambda h[i] + \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i] - h[i])] (3-4 \nu[i])}{2 \mu[i]} \\ -2 + \lambda \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] h[i] + 2 \nu[i] \\ \lambda \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] h[i] \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i] - h[i])] - \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i] + h[i])] (-1 + 2 \nu[i]) \\ 0 \end{cases}$$

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a6 = FullSimplify[ Solve[ Thread[ lhs[[4]] == 0], {A6} ][[1]] ]

{A6 → A5 (-1 + 2 v� - λ h[i])}

lhss = FullSimplify[lhs /. a6]

{ $\frac{1}{2 \mu f \mu[i]} \left( -2 A5 e^{\lambda (hf-h[i])} (-1+v�) \mu[i] + \mu f (A4[i] + A3[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] + A1[i] (\lambda h[i] + \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] (3-4v[i])) + A2[i] (-3+\lambda \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] h[i]+4v[i])) \right),$ 
 $-A5 e^{\lambda (hf-h[i])} + A3[i] + A4[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] + A2[i] (\lambda h[i] - 2 \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] (-1+v[i])) + A1[i] (-2+\lambda \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] h[i]+2v[i]),$ 
 $\operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] (-\operatorname{Cosh}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] (A3[i]+\lambda A2[i] h[i]+A1[i] (-1+2v[i])) + \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] (A4[i]+\lambda A1[i] h[i]+A2[i] (-1+2v[i])))}, 0\}$ 

a4 = Solve[lhss[[3]] == 0, A4[i]][[1]]

{A4[i] →  $\operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] (-A1[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] + A3[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] + \lambda A2[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] h[i] + A2[i] \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] - \lambda A1[i] \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] h[i] \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] + 2 A1[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] v[i] - 2 A2[i] \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (-h[-1+i]+h[i])] \operatorname{Sinh}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] v[i])\}$ }

lhsss = FullSimplify[lhss /. a4]

{ $-\frac{A5 e^{\lambda (hf-h[i])} (-1+v�)}{\mu f} + \frac{(A2[i]-A1[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] (-1+v[i]))}{\mu[i]},$ 
 $-A5 e^{\lambda (hf-h[i])} - A1[i] + A2[i] \operatorname{Coth}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])] - \operatorname{Csch}[\lambda (h[-1+i]-h[i])]^2 (A3[i]+\lambda A2[i] h[i]+A1[i] (-1+2v[i])), 0, 0\}$ }

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