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Des spécificités de la modélisation en mécanique du contact

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- Friction and contact problems relate to non-smooth mechanics
- Consequences on the formulations
- Regularization ... an artefact !?
- Overview of the main mathematical results
- Consequences on the numerical methods
- Extension to adhesion

Reference :

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The Art of Modeling Mechanical Systems

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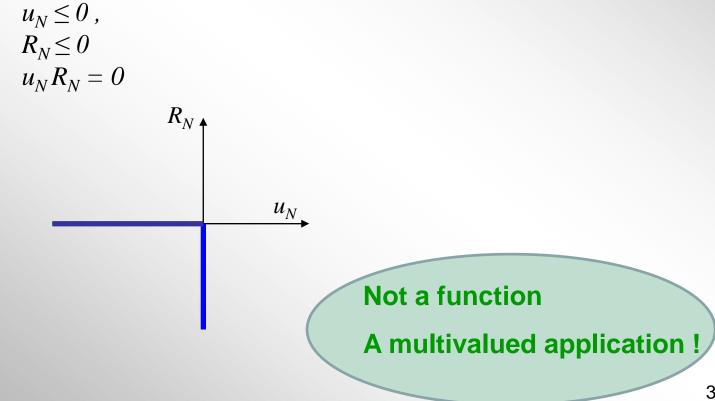
1 – Basic models and formulations

Friction and contact problems relate to **non-smooth mechanics**

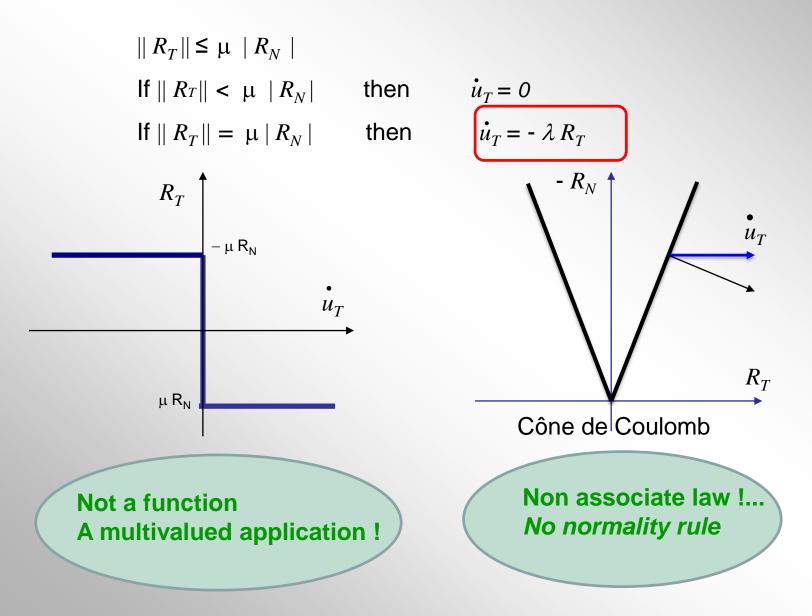
- Unilateral conditions – non penetration

Normal-tangential decomposition $u = u_N \boldsymbol{n} + \boldsymbol{u_T} \quad \boldsymbol{R} = \boldsymbol{R}_N \boldsymbol{n} + \boldsymbol{R}_T$

Complementarity problem (Signorini)



- Friction : Coulomb friction - Armonton



Consequence on the thermodynamics formulation

The potentials (free energy and potential of dissipation) include non differentiable terms and indicator functions of sets characterizing the inequality contraints



The state laws and the complementary laws have to be written in term of differential inclusions

See [1]

Consequence on the variational formulation

Elasticity problem

Variational equation



u in U such that a(u, v) - L(v) = 0 for any *v* in *U*

Elasticity problem with unilateral contact and friction

Implicit variational inequality

$$\square$$
 $a(u,$

$$a(u, v - u) + j(u, v) - j(u, u) \ge L(v - u) \qquad \forall v \in K$$

Variational form of the unilateral problem with Coulomb friction

An implicit variational inequality

(or a quasi-variational inequality on the dual form)

Let K be the convex of the admissible displacements :

 $K = \{ v \in U/v_N \leq 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_C \} \quad \text{with} \quad U = \{ v \in [H^1(\Omega)]^2 / v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_D \}$ $Problem (P_v) : \text{ let } \Phi_1, \ \Phi_2 \text{ be given as previously defined in } (P_c),$ find $u \in K$ such that : $a(u, v - u) + J_1(u, v) - J_1(u, u) \geq L(v - u) \quad \forall v \in K \quad (2)$

with :

$$a(u,v) = \int_{\Omega} \sigma(u)\varepsilon(u) \, dx \tag{3}$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} K_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{ij}(u) \varepsilon_{kl}(v) \, dx \qquad \forall u, v \in U \tag{4}$$

$$L(v) = \int_{\Omega} \Phi_1 v \, dx + \int_{\Gamma_F} \Phi_2 v \, ds \qquad \forall v \in U$$
(5)

$$J_1(v,w) = \int_{\Gamma_C} \mu |R_N(v)| ||w_T|| \, ds \tag{6}$$

Ref :

- Duvaut G., Lions J. L., 1972, Les inéquations en mécanique et en physique, Dunod, Paris

- P.D. Panagiotopoulos, **Inequality problems in Mecahnics, convex and non Convex energy functions**, Birkhäuser Verlag, Boston Basel (1985) and Hemivariational inequalities

Static and quasi-static problem

The static problem has no sense for frictional problem but it will be helpfull for solving the **quasi-static problem**

Problem (P_{temps}) : Find $u(t) \in K$ and F_N such that : $\begin{cases}
a(u(t), v - \dot{u}(t)) + j(u(t), v) - j(u(t), \dot{u}(t)) \ge L(v - \dot{u}(t)) \\
+ \langle R_N(u(t)), v_N - \dot{u}_N(t)) > \quad \forall v \in V \\
\langle R_N(u(t)), z_N - u_N(t)) > \ge 0 \quad \forall z \in K
\end{cases}$

Coupling of two variational inequalities

Reference:

M. Cocou, E. Pratt, M. Raous, Formulation and approximation of quasistatic frictional contact, International Journal for Engineering Sciences, 34, n°7, 783-798, 1996.

Dynamics

Non derivability versus time (shocks)

The classical motion equation has no anymore sense

$$M\ddot{U} + C\dot{U} + KU = F$$

(here the discrete form)

Consequence of discontinuity of the velocities

The equation of motion has to be written in term of differential measure

<u>Problem P_h </u>: Find U such that $\forall t \in [0,T] \ U(t) \in V_h, \ U(0) = U_0,$ $\dot{U}(0) = V_0$ and :

$$M.d\dot{U} + K.U + C.\dot{U} = F + Rd\nu \tag{79}$$

and for the contact nodes:

$$U_N(t) \le 0 \ R_N(t) \le 0 \text{ and } R_N(t) U_N(t) = 0$$

$$\|R_T(t)\| \le \mu |R_N(t)| \text{ and } \begin{cases} \text{if } \|R_T(t)\| < \mu |R_N(t)| & \dot{U}_T = 0\\ \text{if } \|R_T(t)\| = \mu |R_N(t)| & \exists \lambda > 0 \text{ t.q. } \dot{U}_T = -\lambda R_T(t) \end{cases}$$

where $d\dot{U}$ is a differential mesure representing the discretized acceleration and $d\nu$ is a nonnegative real mesure relative to which $d\dot{U}$ happens to possess a density function.

Reference (many other works):

M. Jean, J.-J. Moreau, 1987, **Dynamics in the presence of unilateral contact and dry friction: a numerical approach**, in « Unilateral problem in structural analysis II, CISM Lectures collection, 304, Del Piero& Maceri (Eds), Springer Verlag Wien.

About numerical methods for dynamics problems

Newmark is not convenient because of no derivability of the solution

Let's have a look on the numerical method NSCD Non Smooth Contact Dynamics method (M. Jean – J.-J. Moreau)

The system on differential measure can be written in the following form $\forall t \in [0, T]$

$$M(\dot{U}(t) - \dot{U}(0)) = \int_0^t (F - K.U - C.\dot{U})ds + \int_{[0,t]} Rd\nu$$

$$U(t) = U(0) + \int_0^t \dot{U} ds$$

Time discretization: i = 0...N, $t_i = i.h$ (h is the time step)

$$M(\dot{U}(t_{i+1}) - \dot{U}(t_i)) = \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} (F - K.U - C.\dot{U})ds + \int_{[t_i, t_{i+1}]} Rd\nu$$
$$\bar{R}^{i+1} = \frac{1}{h} \int_{[t_i, t_{i+1}]} Rd\nu.$$

Combination of θ-Methods

We have used the following three methods:

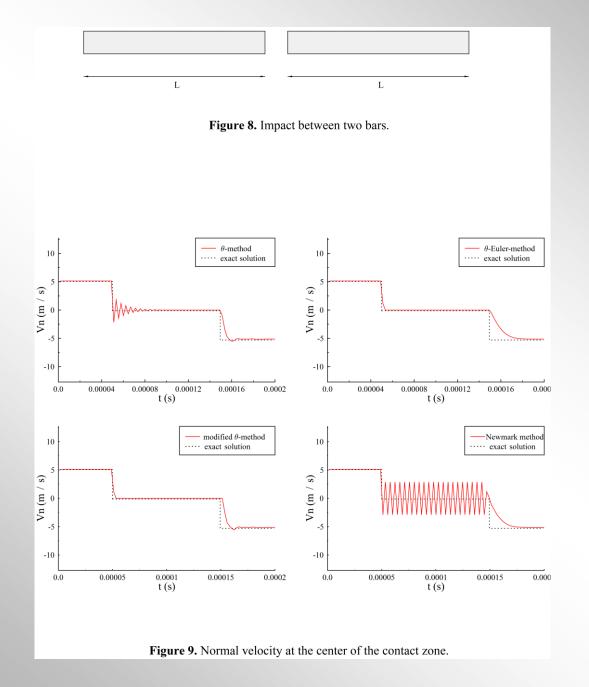
• θ -Method : both integrals are approximated by the classical θ -method

$$\int_{t_i}^{t_i+1} f ds \approx h(\theta f(t_{i+1}) + (1-\theta)f(t_i))$$

• θ -Euler-Method: the first integral is approximated by the θ -method and the second one by the Euler implicit method,

• modified θ -Method: both integrals are approximated by the θ -method but in the contact relations the displacement $u(t_{i+1})$ is replaced by

$$\hat{u}(t_{i+1}) = u(t_{i+1}) + h(1-\theta)\dot{u}(t_{i+1}).$$

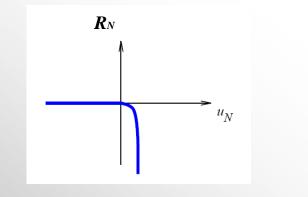


2 - Regularization : a comfort or an artefact ??

Replace the multivalued applications by functions in order to get a classical non linear (but smooth!) problem.

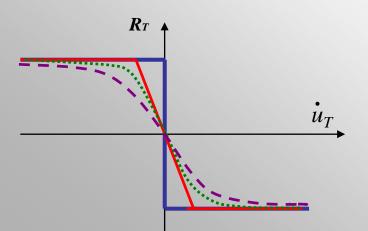
But ... the regularized problem is <u>another problem</u> (very different of the initial one)

• compliance or penalization for the contact



But penetration into the obstacle !....

• tanh (-----), sqrt (----), polynom (-----) for friction



But always sliding !....

We have to stress that when using regularization we get other models ! <u>The behaviors are different !</u>

We have replaced the multivalued application by functions ...

- very comfortable mathematical aspects
- very comfortable for computations (regularization is often used in computer codes)

- unilateral contact : with normal compliance such that : $-R_{N=}C_n(u_N)^{m_n}_+$

"squeeze of the asperities" ... any doubt !

But when one computes the squeeze of an asperity in large plastic deformations (see reference below), it turns out that the coefficient Cn and mn are huge and do not correspond to the convenient values for the computations.

When compliance is used in the computational code, it has to be checked if the penetration is convenient for the problem under consideration.

Reference :

M. Raous, *M.* Sage, *Numerical simulation of the behavior of surface asperities for metal forming*, in "Numerical Methods in Industrial Forming Processes, Chenot-Wood & Zienkiewicz (eds), 1992, Balkema, pp. 175-180.

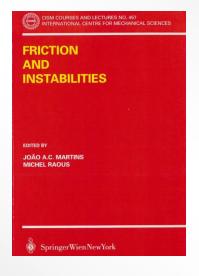
- **Friction** : when the friction law is regularized, that means that the solid is always moving ... (except if the tangential force is zero !)

With a very small force you can get the refrigerator going across the kitchen if you wait for a sufficient long period of time !...

- The choice of the parameters of the regularization has an important influence on the tangential forces ...
- Regularization does not fit subtle analysis as the study of instabilities or squeal and other ones ... The results of the analysis will depend on the values of the regularization parameters.

Instabilities can be characterized when using the strict Coulomb friction with a constant friction coefficient because of the non smooth character of the law.

Reference J.A.C. Martins, M. Raous (Eds), **Friction and instabilities**, CISM Courses and Lectures, Springer Verlag, n°457, Wien-New York, 2002. (310 pages)



Conclusion : Regularization is very comfortable for the mathematics and the computations but it deals with another problem and precautions have to be taken (choice of the parameters, verifications a posteriori, ...). It is not always convenient !

Consequence of no normality rule

Non associated law

No equivalence with the minimization of potential energy No minimization problem

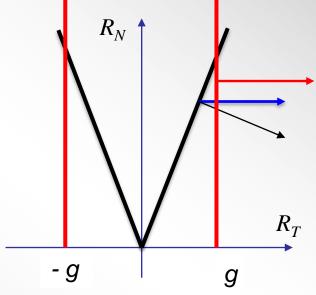
Elasticity problem

Find *u* in *U* such that for any *v* in *U* $J(u) \le J(v)$ with $J(v) = \frac{1}{2} a(v, v) - L(v)$

How to get a minimization problem ... the Tresca friction

The problem can be set as a Tresca problem included in a fixed point process

Associate law (normality rule for the sliding !)



Problem P_{fp} : Find the fixed point of the application S :

 $S(g) = - \mu R_N(u_g)$

with u_g solution of the following problem $P_{varTresca}$:

Problem $P_{varTresca}$: For a given g, find $u_g \in K$ such that :

$$a(u_g, v - u_g) + j(v) - j(u_g) \ge L(v - u_g) \qquad \forall v \in K$$

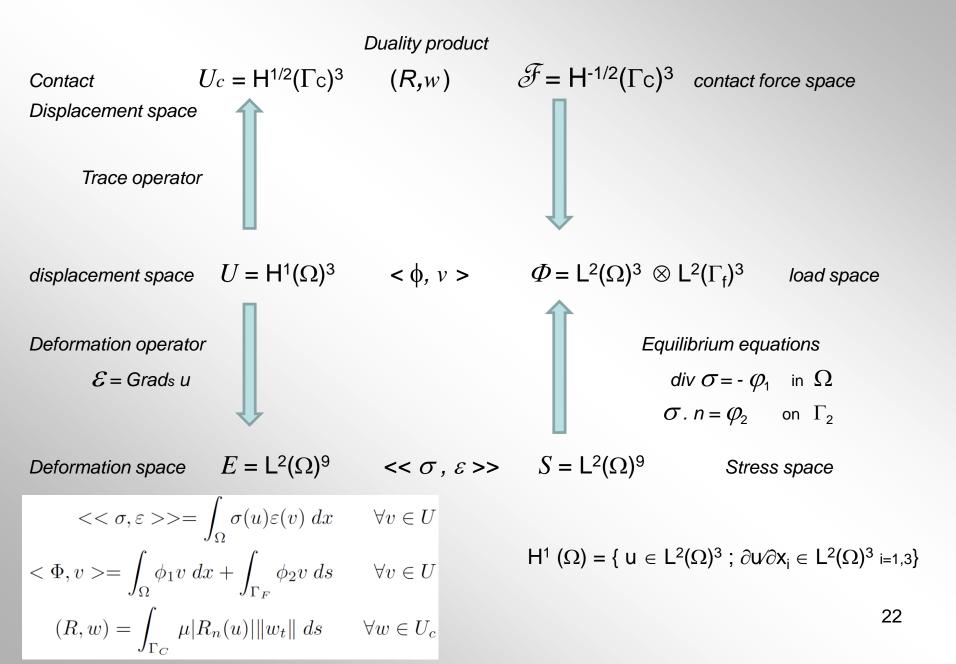
with: $j(v) = \int_{\Gamma_C} g \|v_t\| ds$

which is shown to be equivalent to the following minimisation problem

Problem (P_m) : For a given g, find $u_g \in K$ such that $J(u_g) \leq J(v) \quad \forall v \in K$ with: $J(v) = \frac{1}{2}a(v,v) + j_g(v) - L(v)$

3 – Outlines of some mathematical results

Mathematical framework



Panorama of the mathematical results

In classical elasticity, existence and uniqueness theorems are based on coercivity and continuity of the operators and the demonstration is based on Lax-Milgram theorem and Korn inequality (equivalence of norms).

The (given) applied forces were chosen to be in $L^2(\Omega)^3 \otimes L^2(\Gamma_f)^3$. In contact mechanics, the first difficulty which arises is that the **contact force** <u>which is unknown</u> is a distribution belonging to in H^{-1/2} (Γ). This implies some compactness difficulties and a regularization using a convolution product is used in most of the mathematical results.

New definition for the contact force (introduction of non local friction)

 $R^* = R \star \phi$ where ϕ is a function with compact support and « very smooth »

- *R* is in H^{-1/2} (Ω) is a <u>distribution</u>
- R^* is in L² (Ω) is a <u>function</u> in L² (Ω)

References:

G. Duvaut, Equilibre d'un solide élastique avec contact unilatéral et frottememt de Coulomb, CRAS, Paris, 290A, 263-265, 1980.

Cocou, M., Existence of solutions of Signorini problems with friction, Int. J. Engng. 23 Sci., Vol. 22, N° 5, 1984, pp. 567-575.

Existence and uniqueness of the solutions

a - Static problem

(no mechanical meaning but interesting intermediate problem)

An implicit variational inequality Problem : Find $u \in K$ such that for any $v \in K$ $a(u,v-u) + j(v,u) - j(u,u) - (f,v-u) \ge 0$

where K is the convex of the admissible displacements \boldsymbol{u}_{N}

Mathematical results for the static problem

- Signorini problem (no friction) : existence and uniqueness Fichera (1964)
- Signorini + Coulomb : existence if μ is small and no uniqueness Necas-Jarusek-Haslinger (1980), Jarusek (1983), Eck-Jarusek (1998)
- Signorini + Coulomb (non local friction) : existence and uniqueness if
 μ is small
 Cocou (1984), Duvaut (1972), Demkowicz-Oden (1982)
- Compliance + Coulomb : existence and uniqueness if μ is small (Klarbring-Mikellic-Shillor (1989)

b – Quasi-static problem

Two coupled variational inequalities (one of them is implicit)

Problem (P_{temps}) : Find $u(t) \in K$ such that :

$$\begin{aligned} a(u(t), v - \dot{u}(t)) + J_1(u(t), v) - J_1(u(t), \dot{u}(t)) &\geq L(v - \dot{u}(t)) \\ + \langle \sigma_N(u(t)), v_N - \dot{u}_N(t)) \rangle & \forall v \in V \end{aligned}$$

$$<\sigma_N(u(t)), z_N - u_N(t)) > \ge 0 \qquad \forall z \in K$$

with
$$J_1(v,w) = \int_{\Gamma_C} \mu |R_N(v)| ||w_T|| ds$$

Mathematical results for the quasi-static problem

 Signorini + Coulomb : existence if μ and grad μ are small (condition in L[∞] and in H^{-1/2}) and no uniqueness Andersson (2000), Cocou-Rocca (2000, 2001, 2001)

 Signorini + Coulomb (non local friction) : existence if μ is small (condition only in L[∞]) and no uniqueness Cocou-Pratt-Raous (1995, 1996)

- Compliance + Coulomb : existence if μ is small and no uniqueness (only a few works)

Andersson (1991), Klarbring-Mickelic-Shillor (1989)

c – Dynamics formulation (J.-J. Moreau)

Differential measures (shocks = discontinuity of the velocities)

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where $d\dot{U}$ is a differential mesure representing the discretized acceleration and $d\nu$ is a nonnegative real mesure relative to which $d\dot{U}$ happens to possess a density function. Mathematical results for the dynamic problem (quasi nothing !...)

Continous problem

- Frictionless in elasticity
 - Normal compliance: existence Martins-Oden (1987, 1988)
 - Signorini : a few results on specific geometries (axial symetry) Munoz-Rivera-Racke (1998)
- Viscoelasticity
 - Normal & tangential compliance : existence and uniqueness Martins-Oden (1987, 1988), Kuttler (1997)
 - Signorini + non local friction: existence Cocou(2002), Cocou-Scarella (2006)
 - Signorini + Tresca friction: existence Jarusek (1996)

Discrete problem

- Existence and uniqueness for analytical loading in 1D
 - frictionless Ballard (2000)
 - with friction Ballard-Basseville (2005)

and works of Michèle Schatzman

In most of the cases, there is no uniqueness.

Some results of uniqueness have been obtained if μ is small

μ small ? Is it sufficient or also necessary ? What does "small" mean ?

For the simplest case of the static problem, it is possible to construct examples showing the existence of multiple solutions as the famous simple example of Anders Klarbring with a few degrees of freedom

References:

Klarbring A., Examples of non uniqueness and non existence of solutions to quasistatic contact problem with friction, Ingenieur-Archiv, 60, 1990, pp. 529-541.

see also

- Janovsky V. (1980 and 1981)
- Alart P. Curnier A. (1986)
- Mitsopoulos E.N., Doudoumis I.N. (1987)
- François Hild
- etc ...

3 – Outline of some numerical methods

A brief overview not exhaustive !!!!

At least 4 classes for quasi-static problems:

- Regularization penalization :
- Lagrangian :
- Minimization :
- Mathematical Programming method : (direct method)

non linear problem, Newton and other

Mixed formulations - Uzawa

SORP and other

Complementarity formulation Lemke

For dynamics problem

- NSCD Non Smooth Contact Dynamics method

a - Regularization – Penalization

As presented before, **a non linear problem** is obtained and classical methods can be used (Newton, etc ...)

Special care has to be dedicated to the choice of the penalization parameters and to the control of the solution

b - Lagrangian formulation

Mixed formulation (u, R)

both displacement (or velocity) and contact force

Saddle point (min-max problem) Uzawa

Augmented Lagrangian are very used

c – Sequence of minimization problems

Fixed point method associated to the Tresca problem :



minimization under contraints of a non linear and not differentiable functional

SORP, Aitken, Conjugate Gradient (but a regularization is needed !) They solve the *initial non smooth problem* !

Very powerfull when multigrid methods are used (good smoothers)

d - Mathematical Programming method (direct method)

Complementariry problem

Problem P_{compl} : Find $F \in \Re^p$, $u \in \Re^p$ such that

$$\left.\begin{array}{l}
Mu = F^* + R\\
R_i \leq 0, \ u_i \leq 0 \qquad i = 1 \dots p\\
R_i u_i = 0 \qquad i = 1 \dots p\end{array}\right\}$$

- M and F are respectively a non-symmetric matrix and a loading vector deduced from the FEM problem by **condensation** (including a change of variables for the friction conditions)

- R and u are the contact forces and the contact displacements,

- p is the number of contact degrees of freedom (small !)

Direct methods

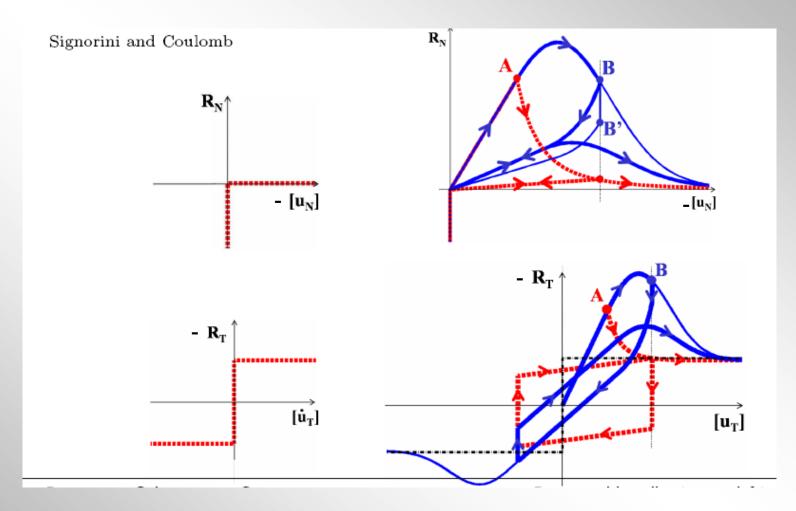
- LEMKE (Mathematical Programming method) pivoting techniques similar to Simplex Method
- Interior points method

4 – Extension to adhesion

Unilateral contact, friction ... and

- normal resistance when traction is applied
- tangential resistance before sliding
- damage of the interface: adhesion forces disappear when the contact forces are strong enough
- eventually viscosity effects (dependence on the loading velocity)

The RCCM model (Raous-Cangémi-Cocou-Monerie)



Reference:

M. Raous, L. Cangemi, M. Cocou, **A consistent model coupling adhesion**, *friction and unilateral contact*, Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering, 177, n°3-4, 1999, pp. 383-399.

 $[u_N] \le 0, \ \sigma_N + C_N [u_N] \beta^2 \le 0, \ (\sigma_N + C_N [u_N] \beta^2) [u_N] = 0$ **Unilateral contact**

$$\left|R_t - \beta^2 C_t u_t\right| \le \mu (1 - \beta) \left|R_n^-\right|$$

where

if
$$\left| R_t - \beta^2 C_t u_t \right| < \mu (1 - \beta) \left| R_n^- \right|$$
 then $\dot{u}_t = 0$

if $\left|R_t - \beta^2 C_t u_t\right| = \mu(1-\beta) \left|R_n^-\right|$ then $\exists \lambda \ge 0$ $\dot{u}_t = -\lambda(R_t - \beta^2 C_t u_t)$ $\dot{\beta} = -\frac{1}{h}(\omega - \beta(C_n u_n^2 + C_t |u_t|^2)^{-})$

Friction and adhesion

Evolution of the intensity of adhesion

Parameters of the model:

- friction coefficient
- μ C_n, C_t initial stiffness of the interface
- @ adhesion energy
- b viscosity of the interface

Variables:

- U_n, U_t $-R_n, R_t$ - β

normal and tangential displacements normal and tangential forces adhesion intensity (damage)

Material boundary assumption :

A surfacic energy E and a specific entropy S are associated to Γ_C .

Free energy of Helmoltz : $\Psi = E - ST$ defined on Γ_C .

Choice of the state variables

Variables	$[u_N]$	$[u_T]$	eta
Thermodynamic forces	$R_N = R_N^r + R_N^{ir}$	$R_T = R_T^r + R_T^{ir}$	G_{eta}

Reversible parts of the behaviour

Choice of the free energy Ψ

$$\Psi([\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{N}}], [\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{T}}], \beta) = \underbrace{\frac{C_{N}}{2} [u_{N}]^{2} \beta^{2} + \frac{C_{T}}{2} [u_{T}]^{2} \beta^{2} + (1 - \beta) w}_{\Psi^{\mathbf{d}}} + \underbrace{I_{K}([u_{N}]) + I_{[0,1]}(\beta)}_{\Psi^{\mathbf{c}}} \quad (1)$$

The state laws (differential inclusions)

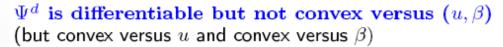
$$\begin{cases} (a) \quad R_{T}^{r} = \frac{\partial \Psi^{d}}{\partial [u_{T}]} \\ (b) \quad R_{N}^{r} - \frac{\partial \Psi^{d}}{\partial [u_{N}]} \in \partial I_{K}([u_{N}]) \\ (c) \quad -G_{\beta} - \frac{\partial \Psi^{d}}{\partial \beta} \in \partial I_{[0,1]}(\beta) \end{cases} \quad on \ \Gamma^{c} \qquad \mathbf{K} = \{ \mathbf{V} \ / \ \mathbf{V} \\ \hline \mathbf{State \ variables} \quad \mathbf{Fore} \\ [u_{N}] \quad R_{N}^{r} - \mathbf{C} \\ [u_{N}] \quad R_{N}^{r} - \mathbf{C} \\ [u_{N}] \quad \mathbf{G}_{\beta} = w - (C_{N}) \\ G_{\beta} \leq w - (C_{N}) \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

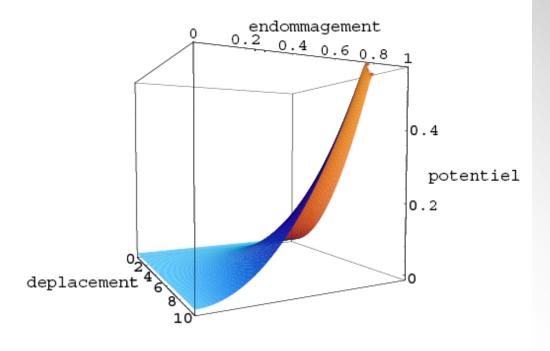
Indicator function

$$\begin{split} I_{K}(\upsilon_{N}) &= 0 & \text{if } \upsilon_{N} \in K \\ &+ \infty & \text{if } \upsilon_{N} \notin K \\ K &= \{ v \ / \ v \leq 0 \} \end{split}$$

ate variables	Forces and reversible laws	
$[u_N]$	$R_N^r - C_N [u_N]\beta^2 \ge 0, [u_N] \le 0, \left(R_N^r - C_N [u_N]\beta^2\right) [u_N] = 0.$	
$[u_T]$	$R_T^r = C_T \left[u_T \right] \beta^2 .$	
β	$G_{\beta} \ge w if \beta = 0, \\ G_{\beta} = w - (C_N [u_N]^2 + C_T [u_T]^2) \beta if \beta \in]0, 1[, \\ G_{\beta} \le w - (C_N [u_N]^2 + C_T [u_T]^2) if \beta = 1.$	

Ψ^c is convex but non differentiable





Irreversible parts of the behaviour

Choice of the potential of dissipation Φ

$$\Phi = \Phi([u_T], \dot{\beta}) \text{ such that }: \begin{cases} \Phi \text{ convex relatively to } (v, \gamma) \\ \Phi(v, \gamma) \ge 0 \quad \forall (v, \gamma) \in V \times H \\ \Phi(0, 0) = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$\Phi\left(\begin{bmatrix}\dot{u}_{T}\end{bmatrix}, \dot{\beta}; \chi_{N}\right) = (1-\beta) \mu \left|R_{N} - C_{N} [u_{N}]\beta^{2}\right| \left|\begin{bmatrix}\dot{u}_{T}\end{bmatrix}\right| + \frac{b}{p+1} \left|\dot{\beta}\right|^{p+1} + I_{C} - (\dot{\beta})$$

$$(4)$$

The complementarity laws

Irreversibility concerning $\dot{[u_T]}$ et \dot{eta}

$$\sigma = \sigma^{r} \quad R_{N} = R_{N}^{r}$$

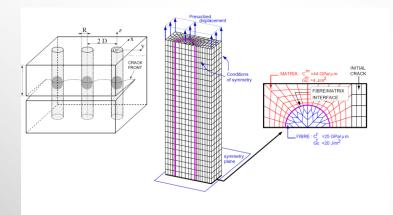
$$(R_{T}^{ir}, G_{\beta}) \in \partial \Phi([\dot{u_{T}}], \dot{\beta})$$

$$\|R_{T}^{ir}\| \leq g(\chi_{N}), \text{ avec } \begin{cases} \|R_{T}^{ir}\| < g(\chi_{N}) \Rightarrow \dot{u}_{T} = 0, \\ \|R_{T}^{ir}\| = g(\chi_{N}) \Rightarrow \exists \lambda \geq 0, \dot{u}_{T} = \lambda R_{T}^{ir}. \end{cases}$$

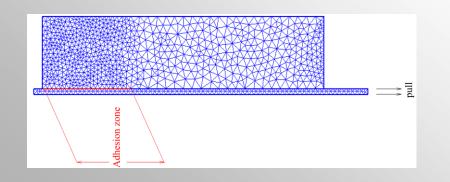
$$\widetilde{G_{\beta}} \in \partial_{\dot{\beta}} \Phi_{S} \iff b|\dot{\beta}|^{p} = -\left(\widetilde{G_{\beta}}\right)^{-1}$$

A few examples of application

Influence of adhesion and friction between fiber and matrix on the crack progression in a composite material



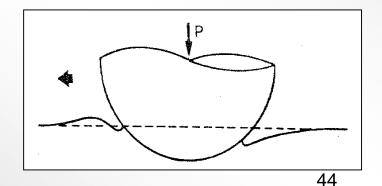
Civil Engineering: steel reinforced concrete (pull out test)



Simulation of the pile-soil interface in a pull out test



Sliding of a glass indentor on a polymer block (recoverable adhesion)



A unified model for adhesive interfaces

(joint work with Gianpietro Del Piero, University of Ferrara)

The idea is to give a general thermomechanical framework from which the various interface laws could be deducted.

The concepts presented in this work are similar of the ones of Generalized Standart Material introduced by Halphen and Nguyen. They are used here for interfaces

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About some key ideas

- Contact problems relate non smooth mechanics and this non smooth character is fundamental (instabilities, etc ...)
 - Regularization treats another problem
- Numerical methods solving the non smooth problem do exist
- Mathematical analysis is still opened (specially on dynamics problems)
- When uniqueness is proved, it is only for small values of the friction coefficient ...

Just remember that

- \succ when μ goes to zero we effectively tend to a frictionless boundary condition,
- but when µ goes to infinite we do not tend to clamped boundary conditions but towards many difficulties !....

Thank for your attention