## MAP562 Optimal design of structures (École Polytechnique)

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## Exercise 1

Let  $\Omega$  be an open, bounded and regular domain in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . We consider an elastic membrane in  $\Omega$  with variable thickness The boundary is split into two parts  $\partial\Omega = \Gamma_N \cup \Gamma_D$ . The vertical displacement of the membrane is the solution  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$  of the following problem

$$\begin{cases}
-\operatorname{div}(h\nabla u) = f & \text{in } \Omega, \\
h\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 & \text{on } \Gamma_N \\
u = 0 & \text{sur } \Gamma_D,
\end{cases}$$
(1)

where  $f \in L^2(\Omega)$  are the applied forces. The thickness h(x) belongs to the admissible set

$$\mathcal{U}_{ad} = \{ h \in L^{\infty}(\Omega) , \quad h_{max} \ge h(x) \ge h_{min} > 0 \text{ in } \Omega \}.$$

1. Let  $u_0 \in L^2(\Gamma_N)$  be a target displacement that we want to match. In this case, the objective functional is given by

$$\inf_{h \in \mathcal{U}_{ad}} \left\{ J(h) = \int_{\Gamma_N} |u - u_0|^2 ds \right\}. \tag{2}$$

- a) Formulate the Lagrangian and derive the adjoint state.
- b) Compute the derivative of J(h) with respect to h.
- c) Construct a FreeFem++ script which solves (2).

You may start from the given script conductivity.edp.

2. We now change the goal and consider to match  $\sigma_0 \in L^2(\Omega)^2$  as goal. The corresponding objectif functional reads:

$$\inf_{h \in \mathcal{U}_{ad}} \left\{ J(h) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\sigma - \sigma_0|^2 dx \right\},\tag{3}$$

where  $\sigma = h\nabla u$  is the vector of the constraints.

- a) Formulate the Lagrangian and derive the adjoint state.
- b) Calculate the derivative of J(h) with respect to h.
- c) Construct a FreeFem++ script which solves (3).
- 3. (Optional) We modify slightly the functional considered in (2). The new objective functional is

$$\inf_{h \in \mathcal{U}_{ad}} \left\{ J(h) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} h|u - u_0|^2 dx \right\}. \tag{4}$$

- a) Formulate the Lagrangian and derive the adjoint state.
- b) Calculate the derivative of J(h) with respect to h.
- c) Construct a FreeFem++ script which solves (3).

## Exercise 2

In this exercise we optimize the thickness h of a two-dimensional elastic body in  $\Omega$ . As in the other exercises, we have two boundary parts  $\Gamma_D$  and  $\Gamma_N$ . For a homogeneous elastic body the governing equations are: Find  $u \in V$  such that

$$\begin{cases}
-\nabla \cdot (\sigma(u)) &= f \text{ in } \Omega, \\
u &= (0,0) \text{ on } \Gamma_D, \\
\sigma(u) \cdot n &= g_N \text{ on } \Gamma_N, \\
\sigma(u) \cdot n &= 0 \text{ on the rest of } \partial\Omega,
\end{cases}$$

where the stress is given by the classical law:

$$\sigma(u) = h(2\mu e(u) + \lambda tr(e(u))I)$$

with the linearized strain tensor  $e(u) = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla u + \nabla u^T)$ , I is the identity matrix, and  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  are the Lamé coefficients.

We have two goals in mind, each corresponding to the minimization of one of the two following functionals:

$$J_C(h) = \int_{\Omega} f \cdot u(h) dx + \int_{\Gamma_N} g \cdot u(h) ds$$
 (Compliance minimization),

or

$$J_D(h) = \int_{\mathcal{U}} |u - u_0|^2 dx$$
 (Displacement matching),

where  $\omega$  is a small region around the point where the forces are applied. The admissible set for both problem configurations is given by

$$U = \{ h \in L^{\infty}(\Omega) : h_{min} \le h \le h_{max} \},\$$

and with the additional volume constraint

$$\int_{\Omega} h(x) \, dx = h_{avg} |\Omega|.$$

In all cases the following parameters will be used:  $h_{min} = 0.1$ ,  $h_{max} = 1$  and  $h_{avg} = 0.3$ .

- 1. For both functionals described above, introduce the Lagrangian, derive the state and adjoint equations.
- 2. Implement  $\min_{h \in U} J_C(h)$  in FreeFem using a gradient algorithm.
- 3. Implement  $\min_{h \in U} J_D(h)$  in FreeFem using a gradient algorithm for the target  $u_0 = (0,0)$ .
- 4. Observe how does the mesh refinement and the parameter  $h_{avg}$  influence the results.





