# Well-posedness Analysis of Elliptic Mixed Variational-Hemivariational Inequalities

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## **Preliminaries**

Let V be a Banach space and denote by  $V^*$  its dual.

## Definition 0.1

Let  $\psi:V\to\mathbb{R}$  be a locally Lipschitz functional. The generalized directional derivative of  $\psi$  at  $u\in V$  in the direction  $v\in V$  is defined by

$$\psi^0(u;v) = \limsup_{w \to u, \ \lambda \downarrow 0} \frac{\psi(w + \lambda v) - \psi(w)}{\lambda}.$$

The Clarke subdifferential of  $\psi$  at u is defined by

$$\partial \psi(u) = \{ \zeta \in V^* : \psi^0(u; v) \ge \langle \zeta, v \rangle \ \forall v \in V \}.$$

**Remark.** If  $\psi'(u) \in V^*$ , then  $\partial \psi(u) = \psi'(u)$  and  $\psi^0(u; v) = \langle \psi'(u), v \rangle$ ;

Moreover, if  $\psi \in V^*$ , then  $\psi'(u) = \psi$  for any  $u \in V$ .

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# Stokes Hemivariational Inequality

Introduce function spaces

$$V = \{ v \in H^1(\Omega) : v|_{\Gamma_D} = 0, \ v_n|_{\Gamma_S} = 0 \}, \quad Q = L_0^2(\Omega).$$

The mixed formulation of the Stokes HVI is as follows:

## Problem 1.1

Find  $(\mathbf{u}, p) \in V \times Q$  such that

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) - b(\mathbf{v}, p) + \int_{\Gamma_s} \psi^0(\mathbf{u}_\tau; \mathbf{v}_\tau) \, ds \ge \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \quad \forall \, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}, \tag{1.1}$$

$$b(\mathbf{u},q) = 0 \quad \forall \, q \in \mathcal{Q},\tag{1.2}$$

where

$$\begin{split} a(\pmb{u},\pmb{v}) &= 2\nu \int_{\Omega} \pmb{\varepsilon}(\pmb{u}) : \pmb{\varepsilon}(\pmb{v}) \, d\pmb{x} \quad \forall \, \pmb{u},\pmb{v} \in \pmb{V}, \\ b(\pmb{v},q) &= \int_{\Omega} q \operatorname{div} \pmb{v} \, d\pmb{x} \quad \forall \, \pmb{v} \in \pmb{V}, \, q \in \pmb{Q}, \\ \langle \pmb{f},\pmb{v} \rangle &= \int_{\Omega} \pmb{f} \cdot \pmb{v} \, d\pmb{x} \quad \forall \, \pmb{v} \in \pmb{V}. \end{split}$$

## Solution Existence and Uniqueness

Introduce a subspace of V

$$V_0 = \{ \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V} : \operatorname{div} \mathbf{v} = 0 \}.$$

#### Problem 1.2

Find  $\mathbf{u} \in V_0$  such that

$$a(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) + \int_{\Gamma_{S}} \psi^{0}(\mathbf{u}_{\tau}; \mathbf{v}_{\tau}) ds \ge \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \quad \forall \, \mathbf{v} \in V_{0}.$$
 (1.3)

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#### Problem 2.1

Find  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  such that

$$a(u,v-u) + b(v-u,\lambda) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^{0}(u;v-u) \ge \langle f,v-u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_{V},$$
 (2.1)

$$b(u, \mu - \lambda) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}. \tag{2.2}$$

- $H(K_V)$  V is a real Hilbert space,  $K_V \subset V$  is non-empty, closed and convex.
- $H(K_{\Lambda})$   $\Lambda$  is a real Hilbert space,  $K_{\Lambda} \subset \Lambda$  is non-empty, closed and convex.
- H(a)  $a: V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$  is bilinear, bounded and coercive:

$$|a(u,v)| \le M_a ||u||_V ||v||_V$$
 and  $a(v,v) \ge m_a ||v||_V^2 \quad \forall u,v \in V.$ 

H(b)  $b: V \times \Lambda \to \mathbb{R}$  is bilinear, bounded and satisfies the inf-sup condition:

$$\sup_{0 \neq \nu \in K_V} \frac{b(\nu, \mu)}{\|\nu\|_V} \geq m_b \|\mu\|_{\Lambda} \quad \forall \, \mu \in \Lambda.$$

- $H(\Phi)$   $\Phi: V \to \mathbb{R}$  is convex and continuous.
- $H(\Psi)$   $\Psi: V \to \mathbb{R}$  is locally Lipschitz continuous (generally non-convex), and for a constant  $\alpha_{\Psi} \geq 0$ ,

$$\Psi^{0}(v_{1}; v_{2} - v_{1}) + \Psi^{0}(v_{2}; v_{1} - v_{2}) \leq \alpha_{\Psi} \|v_{1} - v_{2}\|_{V}^{2} \quad \forall v_{1}, v_{2} \in V.$$

H(0)  $f \in V^*$  and  $m_a > \alpha_{\Psi}$ .

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# $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is symmetric

Introduce a Lagrangian functional  $L: K_V \times K_\Lambda \to \mathbb{R}$  by the formula

$$L(v,\mu) = \frac{1}{2}a(v,v) + \Phi(v) + \Psi(v) - \langle f, v \rangle + b(v,\mu) \quad \forall v \in K_V, \mu \in K_\Lambda.$$
 (2.3)

Then, we consider a saddle-point problem corresponding to Problem 2.1.

## Problem 2.2

Find  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  such that

$$L(u,\mu) \le L(u,\lambda) \le L(v,\lambda) \quad \forall v \in K_V, \mu \in K_\Lambda.$$
 (2.4)

For any  $\mu \in K_{\Lambda}$ , we denote

$$E_{\mu}(v) = L(v, \mu) = \frac{1}{2}a(v, v) + \Phi(v) + \Psi(v) - \langle f, v \rangle + b(v, \mu) \quad \forall v \in K_V.$$

## Theorem 2.3

Assume  $H(K_V), H(K_\Lambda), H(a), H(b), H(\Phi), H(\Psi)$  and  $m_a > \alpha_{\Psi}$ . Then  $E_{\mu} : K_V \to \mathbb{R}$  satisfies

- · locally Lipschitz continuous
- strongly convex
- coercive

**Proof**: By the summation rule <sup>1</sup>

$$\partial E_{\mu}(v) \subset Av + \partial \Phi(v) + \partial \Psi(v) - f + B^{T}\mu \quad \forall v \in K_{V}.$$

For i = 1, 2, with  $v_i \in V$  and  $\zeta_i \in \partial E_{\mu}(v_i)$ , we have

$$\zeta_i = Av_i + \xi_i + \eta_i - f + B^T \mu, \quad \xi_i \in \partial \Phi(v_i), \eta_i \in \partial \Psi(v_i).$$

Then we have

$$\langle \zeta_1 - \zeta_2, v_1 - v_2 \rangle = a(v_1 - v_2, v_1 - v_2) + \langle \xi_1 - \xi_2, v_1 - v_2 \rangle + \langle \eta_1 - \eta_2, v_1 - v_2 \rangle$$
  
 
$$\geq (m_a - \alpha_{\Psi}) ||v_1 - v_2||_{V}^{2}.$$

 $\partial E_{\mu}(\cdot)$  is strongly monotone <sup>2</sup> and thus  $E_{\mu}(\cdot)$  is strongly convex on V.

 $\alpha=0$  (monotone);  $\alpha>0$  (strongly monotone);  $\alpha<0$  (relaxed monotone).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>  $\partial(\psi_1 + \psi_2)(u) \subset \partial\psi_1(u) + \partial\psi_2(u)$ 

 $<sup>|||^{2} \</sup>langle \zeta_{1} - \zeta_{2}, v_{1} - v_{2} \rangle \geq \alpha ||v_{1} - v_{2}||_{V}^{2} \quad \forall v_{i} \in V, \ \zeta_{i} \in \partial E_{\mu}(v_{i}), \ i = 1, 2.$ 

**Problem** 2.1: Find  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  such that

$$a(u,v-u)+b(v-u,\lambda)+\Phi(v)-\Phi(u)+\Psi^0(u;v-u)\geq \langle f,v-u\rangle \quad \forall\, v\in K_V, \eqno(2.5)$$

$$b(u, \mu - \lambda) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}. \tag{2.6}$$

**Problem** 2.2: Find  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_{\Lambda}$  such that

$$L(u,\mu) \le L(u,\lambda) \le L(v,\lambda) \quad \forall v \in K_V, \mu \in K_\Lambda,$$
 (2.7)

where

$$L(v,\mu) = \frac{1}{2}a(v,v) + \Phi(v) + \Psi(v) - \langle f, v \rangle + b(v,\mu) \quad \forall v \in K_V, \mu \in K_\Lambda.$$

**Remark**. It is easy to see that (2.6) and the first inequality in (2.7) are equivalent.

#### Theorem 2.4

Assume  $H(K_V)$ ,  $H(K_\Lambda)$ , H(a), H(b),  $H(\Phi)$ ,  $H(\Psi)$  and  $m_a > \alpha_{\Psi}$ . Then Problem 2.1 and Problem 2.2 are equivalent.

**Proof**: Let us prove the equivalence of (2.5) and the second inequality in (2.7). Assume (2.5) is valid.

Denote  $L_1(\cdot, \lambda) = L(\cdot, \lambda) - \Phi(\cdot)$ . Then  $L_1(\cdot, \lambda)$  is convex. So for any  $v \in K_V$  and any  $t \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$L_1(tv + (1-t)u, \lambda) \le tL_1(v, \lambda) + (1-t)L_1(u, \lambda).$$

Rewrite the inequality as

$$\frac{1}{t}[L_1(u+t(v-u),\lambda)-L_1(u,\lambda)] \le L_1(v,\lambda)-L_1(u,\lambda).$$

Denote  $F_A(v) = \frac{1}{2}a(v, v)$ . By the definition of the functional  $L_1$ ,

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{t}[F_A(u+t(v-u))-F_A(u)]+\frac{1}{t}[\Psi(u+t(v-u))-\Psi(u)]\\ &-\langle f,v-u\rangle+b(v-u,\lambda)\leq L(v,\lambda)-L(u,\lambda)+\Phi(u)-\Phi(v). \end{split}$$

Take the upper limit of both sides of the above inequality as  $t \to 0+$  to obtain

$$a(u,v-u) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^{0}(u,v-u) - \langle f,v-u \rangle + b(v-u,\lambda) \le L(v,\lambda) - L(u,\lambda).$$

## Conversely, assume

$$L(u,\lambda) \leq L(v,\lambda) \quad \forall v \in K_V.$$

Denote

$$E_{\lambda}(v) = L(v,\lambda) = \frac{1}{2}a(v,v) + \Phi(v) + \Psi(v) - \langle f, v \rangle + b(v,\lambda) \quad \forall v \in K_{V}.$$

The functional  $E_{\lambda}$  has a unique minimizer u on  $K_V$ , which satisfies the relation

$$E_{\lambda}^{0}(u; v - u) \ge 0 \quad \forall v \in K_{V}.$$

By the summation rule <sup>3</sup> ,for any  $v \in K_V$ , we have

$$E^0_{\lambda}(u;v-u) \leq a(u,v-u) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^0(u;v-u) - \langle f,v-u \rangle + b(v-u,\lambda).$$

$$\frac{1}{3} (\psi_1 + \psi_2)^0(u; v) < \psi_1^0(u; v) + \psi_2^0(u; v).$$

Let V and  $\Lambda$  be two Hilbert spaces.  $K_V \subset V$  is non-empty, closed and convex,  $K_\Lambda \subset \Lambda$  is non-empty, closed and convex.

$$L(v,\mu) = \frac{1}{2}a(v,v) + \Phi(v) + \Psi(v) - \langle f,v \rangle + b(v,\mu) \quad \forall v \in K_V, \mu \in K_\Lambda.$$

#### Theorem 2.5

Assume  $L: K_V \times K_\Lambda \to \mathbb{R}$  has the following properties:

- for any  $\mu \in K_{\Lambda}$ ,  $v \mapsto L(v, \mu)$  is convex and lower semicontinuous;
- for any  $v \in K_V$ ,  $\mu \mapsto L(v, \mu)$  is concave and upper semicontinuous;
- either  $K_V$  is bounded or  $\lim_{\|v\|_V \to \infty, v \in K_V} L(v, \mu_*) = \infty$  for some  $\mu_* \in K_\Lambda$ ;
- either  $K_{\Lambda}$  is bounded or  $\lim_{\|\mu\|_{\Lambda} \to \infty, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}} \inf_{v \in K_{V}} L(v, \mu) = -\infty$ .

*Then, L has at least one saddle point over*  $K_V \times K_{\Lambda}$ *.* 

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# Solution Uniqueness

Let  $(u_1, \lambda_1)$  and  $(u_2, \lambda_2)$  be two solutions to Problem 2.1. Then,

$$a(u_1, u_2 - u_1) + b(u_2 - u_1, \lambda_1) + \Phi(u_2) - \Phi(u_1) + \Psi^0(u_1; u_2 - u_1) \ge \langle f, u_2 - u_1 \rangle, \tag{2.8}$$

$$b(u_1, \lambda_2 - \lambda_1) \le 0, (2.9)$$

and

$$a(u_2, u_1 - u_2) + b(u_1 - u_2, \lambda_2) + \Phi(u_1) - \Phi(u_2) + \Psi^0(u_2; u_1 - u_2) \ge \langle f, u_1 - u_2 \rangle,$$
 (2.10)

$$b(u_2, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \le 0. \tag{2.11}$$

Add (2.8) and (2.10) to get

$$a(u_1 - u_2, u_1 - u_2) \le b(u_2 - u_1, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) + \Psi^0(u_1; u_2 - u_1) + \Psi^0(u_2; u_1 - u_2).$$

Apply the conditions H(a) and  $H(\Psi)$ ,

$$m_a ||u_1 - u_2||_V^2 \le \alpha_\Psi ||u_1 - u_2||_V^2$$
.

Since  $m_a > \alpha_{\Psi}$ , we deduce from the above inequality that  $u_1 = u_2$ .

## The second component $\lambda$ of the solution

#### Mixed Problem:

$$a(u, v) + b(v, \lambda_1) = \langle f, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in V,$$
  
 $a(u, v) + b(v, \lambda_2) = \langle f, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in V.$ 

Subtracting the second equation from the first one, we obtain

$$b(v, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) = 0 \quad \forall v \in V,$$

which implies that  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$  as a consequence of the inf-sup condition.

## Mixed Hemivariational-variational Inequality:

$$a(u,v-u) + b(v-u,\lambda_1) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^0(u;v-u) \ge \langle f,v-u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_V,$$
  
$$a(u,v-u) + b(v-u,\lambda_2) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^0(u;v-u) \ge \langle f,v-u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_V.$$

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# $a(\cdot,\cdot)$ is not symmetric

#### Problem 2.6

Find  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  such that

$$a(u,v-u) + b(v-u,\lambda) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^{0}(u;v-u) \ge \langle f,v-u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_{V},$$
 (2.12)

$$b(u, \mu - \lambda) < 0 \quad \forall \mu \in K_{\Lambda}. \tag{2.13}$$

For any  $\theta > 0$ , Problem 2.6 is equivalent to

$$(u, v - u)_V + \theta \left[ b(v - u, \lambda) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^0(u; v - u) \right]$$
  
 
$$\geq (u, v - u)_V - \theta a(u, v - u) + \theta \langle f, v - u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_V,$$
 (2.14)

$$\theta b(u, \mu - \lambda) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}.$$
 (2.15)

Let  $\theta \in (0, \alpha_w^{-1})$ . Then for any  $w \in K_V$ , there exists  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$ , u being unique, such that

$$(u, v - u)_{V} + \theta \left[ b(v - u, \lambda) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u) + \Psi^{0}(u; v - u) \right]$$
  
>  $(w, v - u)_{V} - \theta a(w, v - u) + \theta \langle f, v - u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_{V}.$  (2.16)

$$\geq (w, v - u)_V - \theta a(w, v - u) + \theta \langle f, v - u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_V, \tag{2.16}$$

$$\theta b(u, \mu - \lambda) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}.$$
 (2.17)

#### Theorem 2.7

Assume  $H(K_V)$ ,  $H(K_\Lambda)$ , H(a), H(b),  $H(\Phi)$ ,  $H(\Psi)$  and  $m_a > \alpha_{\Psi}$ . Then Problem 2.6 has a solution  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$ , and the first component u of the solution is unique.

**Proof**. Define a mapping  $P_{\theta}: K_V \to K_V$  by the formula

$$u = P_{\theta}(w), \quad w \in K_V.$$

Let us prove that the mapping  $P_{\theta}: K_V \to K_V$  is a contraction. For any  $w_1, w_2 \in K_V$ , denote  $u_1 = P_{\theta}(w_1)$  and  $u_2 = P_{\theta}(w_2)$ . Then there exist  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in K_{\Lambda}$  such that

$$(u_1, v - u_1)_V + \theta \left[ b(v - u_1, \lambda_1) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u_1) + \Psi^0(u_1; v - u_1) \right]$$

$$\geq (w_1, v - u_1)_V - \theta a(w_1, v - u_1) + \theta \langle f, v - u_1 \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_V,$$
(2.18)

$$\theta b(u_1, \mu - \lambda_1) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}. \tag{2.19}$$

and

$$(u_2, v - u_2)_V + \theta \left[ b(v - u_2, \lambda_2) + \Phi(v) - \Phi(u_2) + \Psi^0(u_2; v - u_2) \right]$$

$$\geq (w_2, v - u_2)_V - \theta a(w_2, v - u_2) + \theta \langle f, v - u_2 \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_V,$$
(2.20)

$$\theta b(u_2, \mu - \lambda_2) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}.$$
 (2.21)

Take  $v = u_2$  in (2.18),  $v = u_1$  in (2.20), we obtain

$$||u_1 - u_2||_V^2 = ||P_{\theta}(w_1) - P_{\theta}(w_2)||_V^2 \le \frac{1 - 2\theta m_a + \theta^2 M_a^2}{(1 - \theta \alpha_w)^2} ||w_1 - w_2||_V^2.$$

Note that

$$\frac{1 - 2\theta m_a + \theta^2 M_a^2}{(1 - \theta \alpha_{\Psi})^2} < 1 \tag{2.22}$$

if and only if

$$\theta(M_a^2 - \alpha_{\Psi}^2) < 2(\mathbf{m_a} - \alpha_{\Psi}). \tag{2.23}$$

For  $\theta > 0$  sufficiently small, (2.22) holds and the mapping  $P_{\theta}: K_{V} \to K_{V}$  is a contraction. By the Banach fixed-point theorem,  $P_{\theta}$  has a unique fixed-point  $u \in K_{V}$ :  $P_{\theta}(u) = u$ . Then for some  $\lambda \in K_{\Lambda}$ , the pair  $(u, \lambda)$  is a solution of Problem 2.6.

# Solution Uniqueness

Let  $(u_1, \lambda_1)$  and  $(u_2, \lambda_2)$  be two solutions to Problem 2.6. Then,

$$a(u_1, u_2 - u_1) + b(u_2 - u_1, \lambda_1) + \Phi(u_2) - \Phi(u_1) + \Psi^0(u_1; u_2 - u_1) \ge \langle f, u_2 - u_1 \rangle, \tag{2.24}$$

$$b(u_1, \lambda_2 - \lambda_1) \le 0, \tag{2.25}$$

and

$$a(u_2, u_1 - u_2) + b(u_1 - u_2, \lambda_2) + \Phi(u_1) - \Phi(u_2) + \Psi^0(u_2; u_1 - u_2) \ge \langle f, u_1 - u_2 \rangle,$$
 (2.26)

$$b(u_2, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) \le 0. \tag{2.27}$$

Add (2.24) and (2.26) to get

$$a(u_1 - u_2, u_1 - u_2) \le b(u_2 - u_1, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) + \Psi^0(u_1; u_2 - u_1) + \Psi^0(u_2; u_1 - u_2).$$

Apply the conditions H(a) and  $H(\Psi)$ ,

$$m_a ||u_1 - u_2||_V^2 \le \alpha_\Psi ||u_1 - u_2||_V^2.$$

Since  $m_a > \alpha_{\Psi}$ , we deduce from the above inequality that  $u_1 = u_2$ .

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# $\Phi$ has two independent variables

## Problem 2.8

Find  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  such that

$$a(u, v - u) + b(v - u, \lambda) + \Phi(u, v) - \Phi(u, u) + \Psi^{0}(u; v - u) \ge \langle f, v - u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_{V},$$
 (2.28)

$$b(u, \mu - \lambda) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \mu \in K_{\Lambda}. \tag{2.29}$$

In the study of Problem 2.8, we modify  $H(\Phi)$  to  $H(\Phi)_2$ ;

$$H(\Phi)_2 \quad \Phi: V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$$
; for any  $u \in V$ ,  $\Phi(u, \cdot): V \to \mathbb{R}$  is convex and continuous; and for a constant  $\alpha_{\Phi} \ge 0$ ,  $\Phi(u_1, v_2) - \Phi(u_1, v_1) + \Phi(u_2, v_1) - \Phi(u_2, v_2) \le \alpha_{\Phi} \|u_1 - u_2\|_V \|v_1 - v_2\|_V \quad \forall u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2 \in V$ .

## Theorem 2.9

Assume  $H(K_V)$ ,  $H(K_\Lambda)$ , H(a), H(b),  $H(\Phi)_2$ ,  $H(\Psi)$  and  $\alpha_{\Phi} + \alpha_{\Psi} < m_a$ . Then Problem 2.8 has a solution  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$ , and the first component u of the solution is unique.

**Proof**. For any  $w \in K_V$ , we consider the auxiliary problem of finding  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  such that

$$a(u, v - u) + b(v - u, \lambda) + \Phi(w, v) - \Phi(w, u) + \Psi^{0}(u; v - u) \ge \langle f, v - u \rangle \quad \forall v \in K_{V},$$

$$b(u, \mu - \lambda) < 0 \quad \forall \mu \in K_{\Lambda}.$$

$$(2.31)$$

Under the stated assumptions, there is a pair  $(u, \lambda) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$  satisfying (2.30)–(2.31) and u is unique. Define an operator  $P: K_V \to K_V$  by

$$P(w) = u$$
.

Let us prove that the mapping  $P: K_V \to K_V$  is a contraction. For any  $w_1, w_2 \in K_V$ , denote  $u_1 = P(w_1)$  and  $u_2 = P(w_2)$ . Then there exist  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in K_\Lambda$  such that for any  $(v, \mu) \in K_V \times K_\Lambda$ 

$$a(u_1, v - u_1) + b(v - u_1, \lambda_1) + \Phi(w_1, v) - \Phi(w_1, u_1) + \Psi^0(u_1; v - u_1) \ge \langle f, v - u_1 \rangle, \tag{2.32}$$

$$b(u_1, \mu - \lambda_1) \le 0, \tag{2.33}$$

and

$$a(u_2, v - u_2) + b(v - u_2, \lambda_2) + \Phi(w_2, v) - \Phi(w_2, u_2) + \Psi^0(u_2; v - u_2) \ge \langle f, v - u_2 \rangle, \tag{2.34}$$

$$b(u_2, \mu - \lambda_2) \le 0. \tag{2.35}$$

Take  $v = u_2$  in (2.32),  $v = u_1$  in (2.34), we obtain

$$a(u_1 - u_2, u_1 - u_2) \le b(u_2 - u_1, \lambda_1 - \lambda_2) + \Psi^0(u_1; u_2 - u_1) + \Psi^0(u_2; u_1 - u_2) + \Phi(w_1, u_2) - \Phi(w_1, u_1) + \Phi(w_2, u_1) - \Phi(w_2, u_2).$$

Apply the conditions H(a),  $H(\Phi)_2$  and  $H(\Psi)$ ,

$$m_a \|u_1 - u_2\|_V^2 \le \alpha_{\Psi} \|u_1 - u_2\|_V^2 + \alpha_{\Phi} \|w_1 - w_2\|_V \|u_1 - u_2\|_V.$$

Then

$$||u_1 - u_2||_V = ||P(w_1) - P(w_2)||_V \le \frac{\alpha_{\Phi}}{m_a - \alpha_{\Psi}} ||w_1 - w_2||_V.$$

The mapping  $P: K_V \to K_V$  is a contraction. By the Banach fixed-point theorem, P has a unique fixed-point  $u \in K_V$ : Pu = u. Then for some  $\lambda \in K_{\Lambda}$ , the pair  $(u, \lambda)$  is a solution of Problem 2.8.

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- Stokes Hemivariational Inequality
- Elliptic Mixed Variational-Hemivariational Inequalities
  - $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  is symmetric
  - $a(\cdot, \cdot)$  is not symmetric
  - $\bullet$   $\Phi$  has two independent variables
- 3 Applications in Contact Mechanics

## **Contact Problem**

Find a displacement field  $u: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^d$  and a stress field  $\sigma: \Omega \to \mathbb{S}^d$  such that

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathcal{F}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\boldsymbol{u}) \quad \text{in } \Omega, \tag{3.1}$$

$$\operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \boldsymbol{f}_1 = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{in } \Omega, \tag{3.2}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{on } \Gamma_1, \tag{3.3}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}\boldsymbol{n} = \boldsymbol{f}_2 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_2, \tag{3.4}$$

$$u_n = 0, \quad -\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\tau} \in \partial j_{\tau}(\boldsymbol{u}_{\tau}) \quad \text{on } \Gamma_3,$$
 (3.5)

$$\sigma_{\tau} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \sigma_n \le 0, \quad u_n \le 0, \quad \sigma_n u_n = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_4.$$
 (3.6)

## Mixed Hemivariational Inequality Formulation

Introduce a function space

$$V = \{ v \in H^1(\Omega) : v = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_1, \ v_n = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_3 \}.$$

We multiply (3.2) by a smooth function  $v \in V$ , integrate over  $\Omega$ , perform an integration by parts, and apply (3.4), (3.6) and boundary conditions of  $v \in V$  to obtain

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathcal{F} \varepsilon(\mathbf{u}) : \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}) \, d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\Gamma_3} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\tau} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{\tau} \, d\Gamma - \int_{\Gamma_4} \sigma_n \mathbf{v}_n \, d\Gamma = \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} \rangle, \tag{3.7}$$

where

$$\langle f, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v} \, d\mathbf{x} + \int_{\Gamma_2} \mathbf{f}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v} \, d\Gamma, \quad \mathbf{v} \in V.$$
 (3.8)

By applying the boundary condition (3.5),

$$-\int_{\Gamma_3} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\tau} \cdot \boldsymbol{v}_{\tau} \, d\Gamma \le \int_{\Gamma_3} j_{\tau}^0(\boldsymbol{u}_{\tau}; \boldsymbol{v}_{\tau}) \, d\Gamma. \tag{3.9}$$

Let M be the dual space of the trace space  $W = H^{1/2}(\Gamma_4)$ . We introduce the following subset of M

$$\Lambda = \{ \mu \in M : \langle \mu, \nu \rangle_{\Gamma_4} \ge 0 \quad \forall \nu \in W \text{ with } \nu_n \ge 0 \}, \tag{3.10}$$

Next, we define a Lagrange multiplier  $\lambda \in M$  as follows:

$$\langle \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{v} \rangle_{\Gamma_4} = -\int_{\Gamma_4} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \boldsymbol{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} \, d\Gamma = -\int_{\Gamma_4} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_n \boldsymbol{v}_n \, d\Gamma, \quad \boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{W}. \tag{3.11}$$

Furthermore, we define the bilinear form  $b: V \times M \to \mathbb{R}$  by

$$b(\mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \langle \boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{v} \rangle_{\Gamma_4}, \quad \mathbf{v} \in V, \ \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbf{M}. \tag{3.12}$$

Moreover, by (3.6) we obtain

$$b(\mathbf{u}, \lambda) = -\int_{\Gamma_A} \sigma_n u_n \, d\Gamma = 0, \tag{3.13}$$

and by (3.10)

$$b(\mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \langle \mu_n, u_n \rangle_{\Gamma_4} \le 0 \quad \forall \, \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \boldsymbol{\Lambda}. \tag{3.14}$$

In summary, the mixed weak formulation of contact problem is as follows.

## Problem 3.1

Find  $\mathbf{u} \in V$  and  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  such that

$$a(\boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{v}) + b(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) + \int_{\Gamma_2} j_{\tau}^0(\boldsymbol{u}_{\tau}; \boldsymbol{v}_{\tau}) d\Gamma \ge \langle \boldsymbol{f}, \boldsymbol{v} \rangle \quad \forall \, \boldsymbol{v} \in \boldsymbol{V},$$
 (3.15)

$$b(\mathbf{u}, \boldsymbol{\mu} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}) \le 0 \quad \forall \, \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \boldsymbol{\Lambda}. \tag{3.16}$$

The bilinear form  $b(\cdot, \cdot)$  satisfies the inf-sup condition:

$$\sup_{\mathbf{u} \in \widetilde{\mathcal{X}}} \frac{b(\mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\mu})}{\|\mathbf{v}\|_{V}} \ge \beta \|\boldsymbol{\mu}\|_{-\frac{1}{2}, \Gamma_{4}} \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \boldsymbol{\Lambda}, \tag{3.17}$$

where  $\widetilde{V} = \{ v \in V : v_{\tau} = \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \Gamma_3 \}.$