Interconnection of the Kirchhoff plate within the port-Hamiltonian framework

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Infinite dimensional pH systems

General infinite dimensional pH system

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Linear infinite dimensional pH system

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Structure preserving discretization

The main properties of the dpH (conservative, passive system) are preserved at a discrete level.

Infinite dimensional pHs

PDE:

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Finite dimensional pHs

ODE:

$$\dot{x} = J\partial_x H + B_d \mathbf{u_d} + B_\partial \mathbf{u_\partial},$$
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Infinite dimensional pHs (linear case)

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Introduction: discretization of pH Systems

Available methods

- Spectral methods (Moulla 2012):
 - √ Rapid spectral convergence;
 - × Only for 1D problem;
- Finite differences (Trenchant 2018);
 - √ Valid up to 2D geometries;
 - × Requires ad hoc implementation (staggered grids);
- Finite elements based
 - Golo 2004, Kotyczka 2018: the implementation requires exterior calculus knowledge and depends on the some parameters that ensure the preservation of power flow;
 - Cardoso-Ribeiro 2018:
 - ✓ Natural extension of the mixed finite element method to pH systems;
 - ✓ Implementable using well-established libraries (Fenics, Firedrake);

Why structure preserving discretization?

A distributed pH system interconnected to a strictly positive real boundary controller is asymptotically stable¹.

This allows the construction of observed based controller based on a finite dimensional discretization of the plant² that guarantees stability of the infinite dimensional system (no spillover effect).

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The classical Kirchhoff model

Classical bilaplacian formulation

For an homogeneous isotropic material

$$\rho h \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + D\Delta^2 w = p, \quad \boldsymbol{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2.$$

 $\Delta^2 = \partial_{xxxx} + 2\partial_{xxyy} + \partial_{yyyy}$ is the bilaplacian operator

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 ho \left[\mathrm{kg/m^3} \right]$ is the mass density;
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The classical Kirchhoff model

Bending moment formulation

$$\rho h \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} + \operatorname{div} \operatorname{Div}(\boldsymbol{M}) = p, \quad \boldsymbol{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Where $M = \mathbb{D}\nabla^2 w \in \mathbb{R}^{2\times 2}_{\text{sym}}$ is the bending moment tensor and $\nabla^2 = \text{Grad} \circ \text{grad}$ the Hessian.

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- D is the bending rigidity tensor (symmetric, positive). For an homogeneous isotropic material

$$\mathbb{D}\boldsymbol{A} = D\left\{ (1 - \nu)\boldsymbol{A} + \nu \operatorname{Tr}(\boldsymbol{A})\boldsymbol{I} \right\};$$

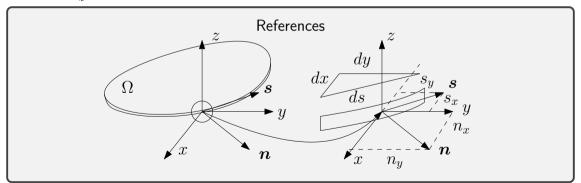
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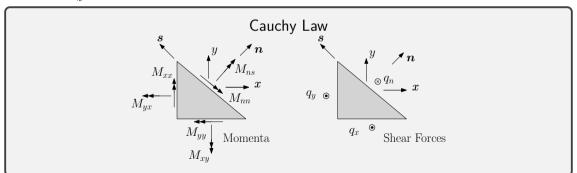
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Boundary conditions

$$\Gamma_f = \{\widetilde{q}_n, M_{nn} \text{ known}\}$$

$$\Gamma_c = \left\{ w, \ \frac{\partial w}{\partial n} \text{ known} \right\}$$

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Hamiltonian and energy variables

The total energy of the system is given by the sum of kinetic and deformation energy

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \rho h \left(\partial_t w \right)^2 + \mathbb{D} \nabla^2 w : \nabla^2 w \right\} d\Omega$$

Consider the following choice for the energy variables

$$\alpha_1 := \rho h \partial_t w$$
, Linear momentum

$$\mathbf{A}_2 := \nabla^2 w$$
, Curvature

This leads to the following co-energy variables

$$e_1 := \frac{\delta H}{\delta \alpha_1} = \partial_t w$$
, Vertical velocity

$$E_2 := rac{\delta H}{\delta A_2} = M,$$
 Bending moment

Port Hamiltonian formulation

The system

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \mathbf{A}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\operatorname{div}\operatorname{Div} \\ \nabla^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathcal{J}} \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ \mathbf{E}_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ \mathbf{E}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} (\rho h)^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{D} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathcal{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \mathbf{A}_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

defines a Stokes-Dirac structure. The proof is readily obtained considering that the following holds

$$(\operatorname{div}\operatorname{Div})^* = \nabla^2$$

This means that the operator \mathcal{J} is formally skew-adjoint.

It is worth noticing that the boundary variables are defined by the power balance

$$\dot{H} = \int_{\partial \Omega} \left\{ \partial_t w \, \tilde{q}_n + \partial_n (\partial_t w) \, M_{nn} \right\} \, \mathrm{d}s.$$

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The partitioned finite element method (PFEM)

General form of a linear pH system in co-energy variables

$$\mathcal{M}\frac{\partial e}{\partial t} = \mathcal{J}e, \qquad \mathcal{M} = \mathcal{Q}^{-1}$$

General procedure for PFEM

1 Put the system into weak form:

$$\left(v, \mathcal{M} \frac{\partial e}{\partial t}\right)_{\Omega} = (v, \mathcal{J}e)_{\Omega}.$$

2 Apply integration by part on a partition of \mathcal{J} :

$$(v, \mathcal{J}e)_{\Omega} = j(v, e)_{\Omega} + b(v, u_{\partial})_{\partial\Omega},$$

so that $j(v,e)_{\Omega}$ is a skew-symmetric bilinear form.

3 Discretization by Galerkin method (same basis function for test and co-energy variables)

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$$= \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \left\{ -\nabla^2 v_1 : \mathbf{E}_2 + \mathbf{V}_2 : \nabla^2 e_1 \right\} d\Omega}_{j_{\mathsf{Hess}}(v,e)} + \underbrace{\int_{\partial\Omega} \left\{ v_1 \mathbf{q}_n + \partial_n v_1 \mathbf{M}_{nn} \right\} ds}_{b_N(v,\mathbf{u}_{\partial})_{\partial\Omega}}$$

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where $v_{q_n} = -(\mathrm{Div}\, \mathbf{V}_2) \cdot \mathbf{n} - \partial_{\mathbf{s}} v_{m_s}, \ v_{m_s} = \mathbf{V}_2 : (\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{s}), \ v_{m_n} = \mathbf{V}_2 : (\mathbf{n} \otimes \mathbf{n})$

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The selection depends on the control variables. For Neumann control the first line is integrated by parts. For Dirichlet control the second.

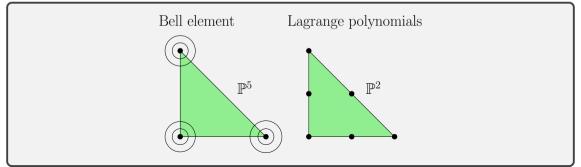
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Finite element choice

Selecting as control variables the forces and torques (Neumann boundary conditions), the following weak form is obtained:

$$m(\boldsymbol{v}, \partial_t \boldsymbol{e}) = j_{\mathsf{Hess}}(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{e}) + b_N(\boldsymbol{v}, \boldsymbol{u}_{\partial})_{\partial\Omega}.$$

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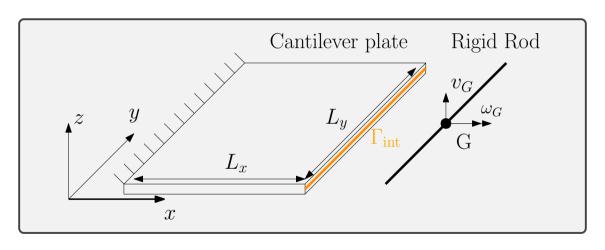
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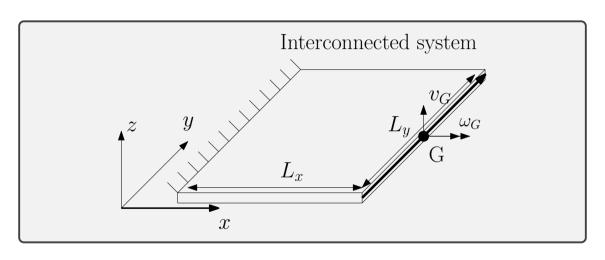
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Rigid rod welded to a cantilever plate



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Boundary interconnection of the Kirchhoff plate

The system is composed by a cantilever plate (distributed pH) connected to a rigid rod

$$\mathsf{dpH} \begin{cases} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial t} = \mathcal{J} \frac{\delta H_1}{\delta x_1} \\ u_{\partial,1} = \mathcal{B} \frac{\delta H_1}{\delta x_1} \\ y_{\partial,1} = \mathcal{C} \frac{\delta H_1}{\delta x_1} \end{cases} \qquad \mathsf{pH} \begin{cases} \frac{d \boldsymbol{x}_2}{dt} = J \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_2} + B \boldsymbol{u}_2 \\ \boldsymbol{y}_2 = B^T \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x_2} + D \boldsymbol{u}_2 \end{cases},$$

where $u_{\partial,1} \in \mathcal{U}$, $y_{\partial,1} \in \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{U}'$ belong to some Hilbert spaces and $x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $u, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$. The interconnection is power-preserving if

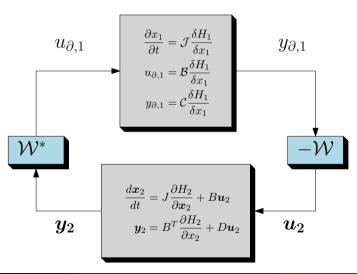
$$\langle u_{\partial,1}, y_{\partial,1} \rangle_{\mathscr{U} \times \mathscr{U}} + \langle u_2, y_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^m} = 0.$$

This is achieved by introducing a compact operator $\mathcal{W}: \mathscr{Y} \to \mathbb{R}^m$

$$u_2 = -\mathcal{W} y_{\partial,1}, \qquad u_{\partial,1} = \mathcal{W}^* y_2,$$

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Boundary interconnection of the Kirchhoff plate

Space \mathscr{Y} is the space of square-integrable functions with support on $\Gamma_{\text{int}}=\{(x,y)|\ x=L_x, 0\leq y\leq L_y\}$. The interconnection operator then provides the total force and torque acting on the rigid rod

$$Wy_{\partial,\mathsf{pl}} = -\begin{pmatrix} F_z \\ T_x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{\Gamma_{\mathsf{int}}} y_{\partial,\mathsf{pl}} \, \mathrm{d}s \\ \int_{\Gamma_{\mathsf{int}}} (y - L_y/2) \, y_{\partial,\mathsf{pl}} \, \mathrm{d}s \end{pmatrix}.$$

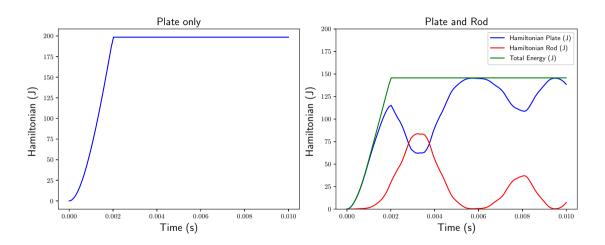
The adjoint operator provides a rigid movement as the plate input at Γ_{int}

$$\begin{split} \left\langle \mathcal{W} y_{\partial, \mathrm{pl}}, \; \boldsymbol{y}_{\mathrm{rod}} \right\rangle_{\mathbb{R}^m} &= \left\langle y_{\partial, \mathrm{pl}}, \; \mathcal{W}^* \boldsymbol{y}_{\mathrm{rod}} \right\rangle_{L^2(\Gamma_{\mathrm{int}})}, \\ \mathcal{W}^* y_{\mathrm{rod}} &= v_G + \omega_G \left(y - L_y / 2 \right). \end{split}$$

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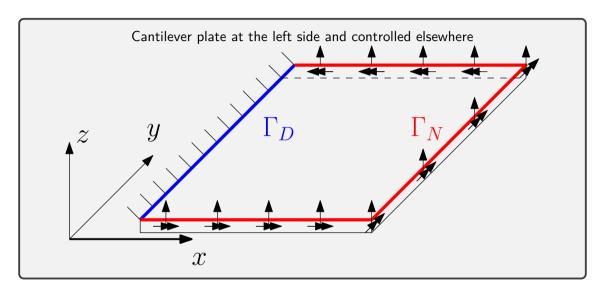
Results

$$p = \begin{cases} \text{Distributed load (}t_{\text{end}} = 10\,[\text{ms}]\text{)} \\ p = \begin{cases} 10^5 \left[y + 10\,(y - L_y/2)^2\right] [Pa], & \forall\, t < 2\,[\text{ms}], \\ 0, & \forall\, t \geq 2\,[\text{ms}]. \end{cases} \end{cases}$$



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Boundary control of a cantilever plate



Boundary stabilization of the Kirchhoff plate

Consider the problem

$$\begin{bmatrix} \rho h & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{D}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{bmatrix} \partial_t w \\ \mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\operatorname{div}\operatorname{Div} \\ \nabla^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \partial_t w \\ \mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix} \quad (x,y) \in \Omega = [0,1] \times [0,1]$$

subjected to the following boundary conditions

$$\begin{array}{ll} \partial_t w | \Gamma_D = 0, \\ \partial_x \partial_t w | \Gamma_D = 0, \end{array} \qquad \Gamma_D = \{x = 0\} \\ M_{nn} | \Gamma_N = u_M, \\ \widetilde{q} | \Gamma_N = u_F, \end{array} \qquad \Gamma_N = \{y = 0 \cup x = 1 \cup y = 1\} \end{array}$$

with initial conditions (compatible with the constraints):

$$\partial_t w(x, y, 0) = x^2;$$
 $\mathbf{M}(x, y, 0) = 0.$

Boundary stabilization of the Kirchhoff plate

Obtain a finite-dimensional uncontrolled system

$$\begin{bmatrix} M & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e} \\ \mathbf{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J & G \\ -G^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e} \\ \mathbf{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u},$$
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Apply the control law $\boldsymbol{u} = -K\boldsymbol{y}, \ K > 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} M & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} J - R & G \\ -G^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{e} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix},$$

with $R = BKB^T \succeq 0$.

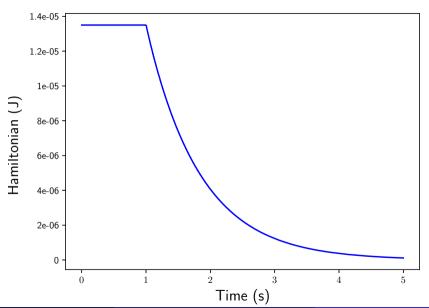
The Hamiltonian $\dot{H} = -e^T Re \le 0$ is a non increasing function and by La Salle principle the equilibrium point e = 0 is asymptotically stable.

Stabilization by boundary injection

Control parameter (
$$t_{\text{end}} = 5[s]$$
)

$$K = \begin{cases} 0, & \forall t < 1 [s], \\ 100, & \forall t \ge 1 [s]. \end{cases}$$

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