

Siconos/numerics and FCLIB: a collection of solvers and benchmarks for solving frictional contact problems

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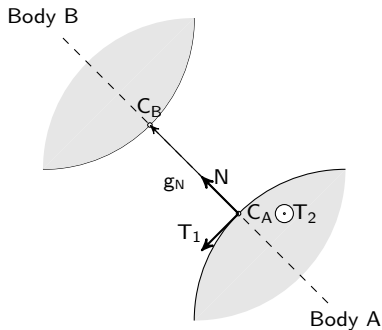
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► gap function $g_N = (C_B - C_A) \cdot N$.

► reaction forces velocities

$$r = r_N N + r_T, \quad \text{with } r_N \in \mathbf{R} \text{ and } r_T \in \mathbf{R}^2.$$

$$u = u_N N + u_T, \quad \text{with } u_N \in \mathbf{R} \text{ and } u_T \in \mathbf{R}^2.$$

► Signorini conditions

$$\text{position level : } 0 \leq g_N \perp r_N \geq 0.$$

$$\text{velocity level : } \begin{cases} 0 \leq u_N \perp r_N \geq 0 & \text{if } g_N \leq 0 \\ r_N = 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Signorini's condition and Coulomb's friction

Modeling assumption

Let μ be the coefficient of friction. Let us define the Coulomb friction cone K which is chosen as the isotropic second order cone

$$K = \{r \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid \|r_T\| \leq \mu r_n\}. \quad (1)$$

Coulomb friction postulates

- for the **sticking case** that

$$u_T = 0, \quad r \in K, \quad (2)$$

- and for the **sliding case** that

$$u_T \neq 0, \quad r \in \partial K, \quad \frac{r_T}{\|r_T\|} = -\frac{u_T}{\|u_T\|}. \quad (3)$$

Disjunctive formulation of the frictional contact behavior

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} r = 0 & \text{if } g_N > 0 \quad (\text{no contact}) \\ r = 0, u_N \geq 0 & \text{if } g_N \leq 0 \quad (\text{take-off}) \\ r \in K, u = 0 & \text{if } g_N \leq 0 \quad (\text{sticking}) \\ r \in \partial K, u_N = 0, \frac{r_T}{\|r_T\|} = -\frac{u_T}{\|u_T\|} & \text{if } g_N \leq 0 \quad (\text{sliding}) \end{array} \right. \quad (4)$$

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Second Order Cone Complementarity (SOCCP) formulation

- Modified relative velocity $\hat{u} \in \mathbf{R}^3$ defined by (DeSaxce92)

$$\hat{u} = u + \mu \|u_T\| \mathbf{N}. \quad (5)$$

- Second-Order Cone Complementarity Problem (SOCCP)

$$K^* \ni \hat{u} \perp r \in K \quad (6)$$

if $g_N \leq 0$ and $r = 0$ otherwise.

The set K^* is the dual convex cone to K defined by

$$K^* = \{u \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid r^\top u \geq 0, \text{ for all } r \in K\}. \quad (7)$$

(Acary.Brogliato2008; Acary.ea'ZAMM2011)

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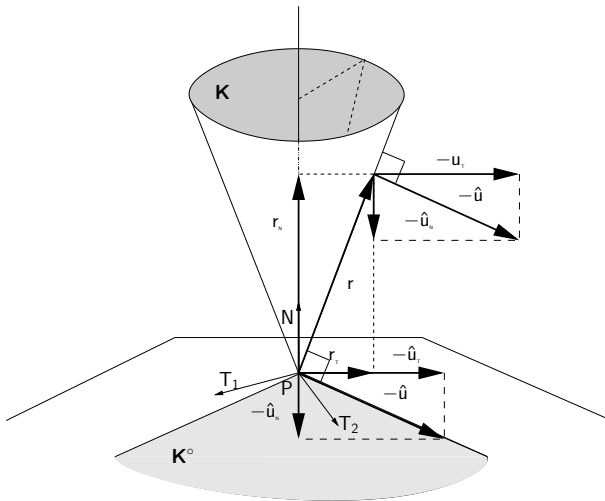


Figure: Coulomb's friction and the modified velocity \hat{u} . The sliding case.

3D frictional contact problems

Problem 1 (General discrete frictional contact problem)

Given

- ▶ a symmetric positive definite matrix $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$,
- ▶ a vector $f \in \mathbb{R}^n$,
- ▶ a matrix $H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$,
- ▶ a vector $w \in \mathbb{R}^m$,
- ▶ a vector of coefficients of friction $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$,

find three vectors $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}^m$, denoted by $\text{FC/I}(M, H, f, w, \mu)$ such that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Mv = Hr + f \\ u = H^\top v + w \\ \hat{u} = u + g(u) \\ K^* \ni \hat{u} \perp r \in K \end{array} \right. \quad (8)$$

with $g(u) = [[\mu^\alpha \|u_T^\alpha\| N^\alpha]^\top, \alpha = 1 \dots n_c]^\top$.



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Problem 2 (Reduced discrete frictional contact problem)

Given

- ▶ a symmetric positive semi-definite matrix $W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$,
- ▶ a vector $q \in \mathbb{R}^m$,
- ▶ a vector $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$ of coefficients of friction,

find two vectors $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}^m$, denoted by $\text{FC/II}(W, q, \mu)$ such that

$$\begin{cases} u = Wr + q \\ \hat{u} = u + g(u) \\ K^* \ni \hat{u} \perp r \in K \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

with $g(u) = [[\mu^\alpha \|u_T^\alpha\| N^\alpha]^\top, \alpha = 1 \dots n_c]^\top$.



Relation with the general problem

$W = H^\top M^{-1} H$ and $q = H^\top M^{-1} f + w$.

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VI based methods

VI reformulation

$$F(r) = Wr + q + g(Wr + q), \quad -F(r) \in N_K(r) \quad (10)$$

Standard methods

- Basic fixed point iterations with projection

[FP-VI]

$$r_{k+1} \leftarrow P_K(r_k - \rho_k F(r_k))$$

- Extragradient method

[EG-VI]

$$r_{k+1} \leftarrow P_K(r_k - \rho_k F(P_K(r_k - \rho_k F(r_k))))$$

with fixed $\rho_k = \rho$, we get the Uzawa Algorithm of De Saxcé-Feng

[FP-DS]

Self-adaptive procedure for ρ_k

[UPK]

$$\text{Armijo-like : } m_k \in \mathbf{N} \quad \text{such that} \quad \begin{cases} \rho_k = \rho 2^{m_k}, \\ \rho_k \|F(r_k) - F(\bar{r}_k)\| \leq \|r_k - \bar{r}_k\| \end{cases}$$

Nonsmooth Equations based methods

Nonsmooth Newton on $G(z) = 0$

$$z_{k+1} = z_k - \Phi^{-1}(z_k)(G(z_k)), \quad \Phi(z_k) \in \partial G(z_k)$$

- Alart–Curnier Formulation (**Alart.Curnier1991**)

[NSN-AC]

$$\begin{cases} r_N - P_{R_+^{n_c}}(r_N - \rho_N u_N) = 0, \\ r_T - P_{D(\mu, r_N, +)}(r_T - \rho_T u_T) = 0, \end{cases}$$

- Jean–Moreau Formulation

[NSN-MJ]

$$\begin{cases} r_N - P_{R_+^{n_c}}(r_N - \rho_N u_N) = 0, \\ r_T - P_{D(\mu, r_N, +)}(r_T - \rho_T u_T) = 0, \end{cases}$$

- Direct normal map reformulation

[NSN-NM]

$$r - P_K(r - \rho(u + g(u))) = 0$$

- Extension of Fischer-Burmeister function to SOCCP

[NSN-FB]

$$\phi_{FB}(x, y) = x + y - (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$$

Matrix block-splitting and projection based algorithms (**Moreau1994; Jean.Touzot1988**)

Block splitting algorithm with $W^{\alpha\alpha} \in \mathbf{R}^3$

[NSGS-*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{i+1}^{\alpha} - W^{\alpha\alpha} P_{i+1}^{\alpha} = q^{\alpha} + \sum_{\beta < \alpha} W^{\alpha\beta} r_{i+1}^{\beta} + \sum_{\beta > \alpha} W^{\alpha\beta} r_i^{\beta} \\ \widehat{u}_{i+1}^{\alpha} = \left[u_{N,i+1}^{\alpha} + \mu^{\alpha} \|u_{T,i+1}^{\alpha}\|, u_{T,i+1}^{\alpha} \right]^T \\ \mathbf{K}^{\alpha,*} \ni \widehat{u}_{i+1}^{\alpha} \perp r_{i+1}^{\alpha} \in \mathbf{K}^{\alpha} \end{array} \right. \quad (11)$$

for all $\alpha \in \{1 \dots m\}$.

Over-Relaxation

[PSOR-*

One contact point problem

- ▶ closed form solutions
- ▶ Any solver listed before.

Optimization based methods

- ▶ Alternating optimization problems (Panagiotopoulos et al.)
- ▶ Successive approximation with Tresca friction (Haslinger et al.)

[PANA-*

[TRESA-*

$$\begin{cases} \theta = h(r_N) \\ \min \frac{1}{2} r^\top W r + r^\top q \\ \text{s.t.} \quad r \in C(\mu, \theta) \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

where $C(\mu, \theta)$ is the cylinder of radius $\mu\theta$.

- ▶ Fixed point on the norm of the tangential velocity [A., Cadoux, Lemaréchal, Malick(2011)]

[ACLM-*

$$\begin{cases} s = \|u_T\| \\ \min \frac{1}{2} r^\top W r + r^\top (q + \alpha s) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad r \in K \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

Fixed point or Newton Method on $F(s) = s$

Interior Point Methods

Presentation of Hoang Minh Nguyen.

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Open source software for modelling and simulation of nonsmooth systems

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Collection of C routines to solve FC3D problems in dense, sparse or block sparse versions:

- ▶ VI solvers: Fixed point, Extra-Gradient, Uzawa
- ▶ VI based projection/splitting algorithm: NSGS, PSOR
- ▶ Semismooth Newton methods
- ▶ Optimization based solvers. Panagiotopoulos, Tresca, SOCQP, ADMM
- ▶ Interior point methods, ...

Collection of routines for optimization and complementarity problems

- ▶ LCP solvers (iterative and pivoting (Lemke))
- ▶ Standard QP solvers (Projected Gradient (Calamai & Moré), Projected CG (Moré & Toraldo), active set technique)
- ▶ linear and nonlinear programming solvers.

Siconos/Numerics

Implementation details

- ▶ Matrix format.
 - ▶ dense (column-major)
 - ▶ sparse matrices (triplet, CSR, CSC)
- ▶ Linear algebra libraries and solvers.
 - ▶ BLAS/LAPACK, MKL
 - ▶ MUMPS, SUPERLU, UMFPACK,
 - ▶ PETSc
- ▶ Python interface (swig (pybind11 coming soon))
- ▶ Generic structure for problem, driver and options

```
int fc3d_driver(FrictionContactProblem* problem,  
               double* reaction,  
               double* velocity,  
               SolverOptions* numerics_solver_options);
```

C structure to encode the problem

Reduced discrete frictional contact problem

```
struct FrictionContactProblem {  
    /** dimension of the contact space (3D or 2D ) */  
    int dimension;  
    /** the number of contacts \f{ n_c \f{ */  
    int numberOfContacts;  
    /** \f{ M} \in \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{n \times n} \f{,}  
    a matrix with \f{ n = d \ n_c \f{ stored in NumericsMatrix structure */  
    NumericsMatrix *M;  
    /** \f{ q} \in \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^n \f{ */  
    double *q;  
    /** \f{ \mu} \in \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{n_c} \f{, vector of friction coefficients  
    (\f{ n_c = \f{ numberOfContacts) */  
    double *mu;  
};
```

C structure to encode the problem

Global discrete frictional contact problem

```
struct GlobalFrictionContactProblem {  
    /** dimension \f{d=2} \f{or} \f{d=3} \f{of the contact space (3D or 2D) } */  
    int dimension;  
    /** the number of contacts \f{n_c} \f{ */  
    int numberOfContacts;  
    /** \f{M} \f{in} \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{\f{n} \times \f{n}} \f{,}  
    a matrix with \f{n} \f{ stored in NumericsMatrix structure */  
    NumericsMatrix *M;  
    /** \f{H} \f{in} \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{\f{n} \times \f{m}} \f{,}  
    a matrix with \f{m = d} \f{n_c} \f{ stored in NumericsMatrix structure */  
    NumericsMatrix *H;  
    /** \f{q} \f{in} \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{\f{n}} \f{ */  
    double *q;  
    /** \f{b} \f{in} \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{\f{m}} \f{ */  
    double *b;  
    /** \f{\mu} \f{in} \{\mathrm{I\!R}\}^{\f{n_c}} \f{, vector of friction  
    coefficients  
    (\f{n_c} = \f{numberOfContacts}) */  
    double *mu;  
};
```

A very basic example in C

```
// Problem Definition
int NC = 3; // Number of contacts
double M[81] = {1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
double q[9] = { -1, 1, 3, -1, 1, 3, -1, 1, 3};
double mu[3] = {0.1, 0.1, 0.1};

FrictionContactProblem NumericsProblem;
NumericsProblem.numberOfContacts = NC;
NumericsProblem.dimension = 3;
NumericsProblem.mu = mu;
NumericsProblem.q = q;

NumericsMatrix *MM = (NumericsMatrix*)malloc(sizeof(NumericsMatrix));
MM->storageType = NM_DENSE;
MM->matrix0 = M;
MM->size0 = 3 * NC;
MM->size1 = 3 * NC;
NumericsProblem.M = MM;
```

A basic example in C

```
// Variable declaration
double *reaction = (double*)calloc(3 * NC, sizeof(double));
double *velocity = (double*)calloc(3 * NC, sizeof(double));

// Numerics and Solver Options
SolverOptions *numerics_solver_options = solver_options_create(SICONOS_FRICTION_3D_NSGS);
numerics_solver_options->iparam[SICONOS_IPARAM_MAX_ITER] = 1000;
numerics_solver_options->dparam[SICONOS_DPARAM_TOL] = 100*DBL_EPSILON;
// numerics_set_verbose(2);

// Driver call
fc3d_driver(&NumericsProblem,
            reaction, velocity,
            numerics_solver_options);
```

A basic example in Python

```
import numpy as np
import siconos.numerics as sn

NC = 1
M = np.eye(3 * NC)
q = np.array([-1.0, 1.0, 3.0])
mu = np.array([0.1])
FCP = sn.FrictionContactProblem(3, M, q, mu)

reactions = np.array([0.0, 0.0, 0.0])
velocities = np.array([0.0, 0.0, 0.0])
sn.numerics_set_verbose(1)
```

A basic example in Python

```
def solve(problem, solver, options):  
    """Solve problem for a given solver"""  
    reactions[...] = 0.0  
    velocities[...] = 0.0  
    r = solver(problem, reactions, velocities, options)  
    assert options.dparam[sn.SICONOS_DPARAM_RESIDU] < options.dparam[sn.SICONOS_DPARAM_TOL]  
    assert not r  
  
def test_fc3dnsgs():  
    """Non-smooth Gauss Seidel, default"""  
    S0 = sn.SolverOptions(sn.SICONOS_FRICTION_3D_NSGS)  
    solve(FCP, sn.fc3d_nsgs, S0)  
  
def test_fc3dlocalac():  
    """Non-smooth Gauss Seidel, Alart-Curnier as local solver."""  
    S0 = sn.SolverOptions(sn.SICONOS_FRICTION_3D_NSN_AC)  
    solve(FCP, sn.fc3d_nonsmooth_Newton_AlartCurnier, S0)  
  
def test_fc3dfischer():  
    """Non-smooth Newton, Fischer-Burmeister."""  
    S0 = sn.SolverOptions(sn.SICONOS_FRICTION_3D_NSN_FB)  
    solve(FCP, sn.fc3d_nonsmooth_Newton_FischerBurmeister, S0)  
  
if __name__ == "__main__":  
    test_fc3dnsgs()  
    test_fc3dlocalac()  
    test_fc3dfischer()
```

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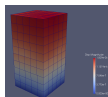
Our inspiration: MCPLIB or CUTEst

What is FCLIB ?

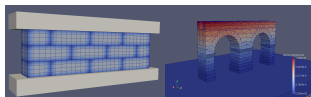
- ▶ A open source collection of Frictional Contact (FC) problems stored in a specific HDF5 format
- ▶ A open source light implementation of Input/Output functions in C Language to read and write problems (Python and Matlab coming soon)

Goals of the project

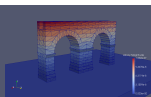
Provide a standard framework for testing available and new algorithms for solving discrete frictional contact problems share common formulations of problems in order to exchange data



(a) Cubes_H8



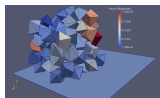
(b) LowWall_FEM



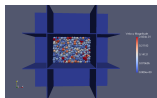
(c) Aqueduct_PR



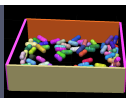
(d) Bridge_PR



(e) 100_PR_Peribox



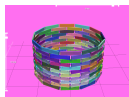
(f) 945_SP_Box_PL



(g) Capsules



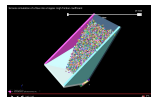
(h) Chain



(i) KaplasTower



(j) BoxesStack



(k) Chute_1000, Chute_4000,
Chute_local-problems

Figure: Illustrations of the FClib test problems

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Conclusions

- ▶ Siconos/Numerics. A open source collection of solvers.
<https://github.com/siconos/siconos> use and contribute ...
- ▶ FCLIB: a collection of discrete 3D Frictional Contact (FC) problems
<https://github.com/FrictionalContactLibrary> use and contribute ...

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