FEniCS Course

Lecture 6: Static hyperelasticity

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Static hyperelasticity

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\begin{aligned}
-\operatorname{div} P &= B && \text{in } \Omega \\
u &= g && \text{on } \Gamma_{\mathrm{D}} \\
P \cdot n &= T && \text{on } \Gamma_{\mathrm{N}}
\end{aligned}
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- u is the displacement
- $P = P(u)$ is the first Piola–Kirchoff stress tensor
- B is a given body force per unit volume
- g is a given boundary displacement
- T is a given boundary traction

Variational problem

Multiply by a test function $v \in \hat{V}$ and integrate by parts:

$$-\int_\Omega \operatorname{div} P \cdot v \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_\Omega P : \operatorname{grad} v \, \mathrm{d}x - \int_{\partial\Omega} (P \cdot n) \cdot v \, \mathrm{d}s$$

Note that $v = 0$ on Γ_D and $P \cdot n = T$ on Γ_N

Find $u \in V$ such that

$$\int_\Omega P : \operatorname{grad} v \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_\Omega B \cdot v \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Gamma_\mathrm{N}} T \cdot v \, \mathrm{d}s$$

for all $v \in \hat{V}$

Stress–strain relations

- $F = I + \operatorname{grad} u$ is the deformation gradient
- $C = F^\top F$ is the right Cauchy–Green tensor
- $E = \frac{1}{2}(C - I)$ is the Green–Lagrange strain tensor
- $W = W(E)$ is the strain energy density
- $S_{ij} = \frac{\partial W}{\partial E_{ij}}$ is the second Piola–Kirchoff stress tensor
- $P = FS$ is the first Piola–Kirchoff stress tensor

St. Venant–Kirchoff strain energy function:

$$W(E) = \frac{\lambda}{2}(\operatorname{tr}(E))^2 + \mu \operatorname{tr}(E^2)$$

Useful FEniCS tools (I)

Defining subdomains/boundaries:

```
class MyBoundary(SubDomain):
    def inside(self, x, on_boundary):
        return on_boundary and \
               x[0] > 1.0 - DOLFIN_EPS
```

Marking boundaries:

```
my_boundary_1 = MyBoundary1()
my_boundary_2 = MyBoundary2()
boundaries = FacetFunction("uint", mesh)
boundaries.set_all(0)
my_boundary_1.mark(boundaries, 1)
my_boundary_2.mark(boundaries, 2)
ds = ds[boundaries]
a = ...*ds(0) + ...*ds(1) + ...*ds(2)
```

Useful FEniCS tools (II)

Computing derivatives of expressions:

```
E = variable(...)
W = ...
S = diff(W, E)
```

Computing derivatives of forms (linearization):

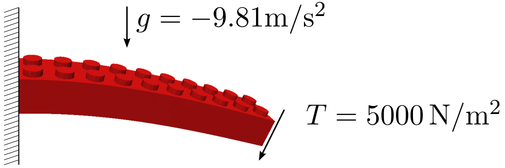
```
u  = Function(V)
du = TrialFunction(V)
F  = ...u...*dx
J  = derivative(F, u, du)
```

Solving nonlinear variational problems:

```
solve(F == 0, u, bcs)
solve(F == 0, u, bcs, J=J)
```

The FEniCS challenge!

Compute the deflection of a regular 10×2 LEGO brick. Use the St. Venant–Kirchhoff model and assume that the LEGO brick is made of PVC plastic. The LEGO brick is subject to gravity of size $g = -9.81$ m/s^2 and a downward traction of size 5000 N/m^2 at its end point.



To check your solution, compute the average value of the displacement in the z-direction.

The student(s) who first produce the right anwswer will be rewarded with an exclusive FEniCS surprise!

Mesh and material parameters:

`http://fenicsproject.org/pub/course/data/`