

Une inéquation variationnelle implicite avec applications à des problèmes dynamiques de contact

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Introduction

- A. Signorini (1933, 1959), G. Fichera (1964, 1972) , G. Duvaut and J.L. Lions (1972) - static elastic problems with unilateral contact
- J.J. Telega (1991) - variational formulation of quasistatic elastic problems with unilateral contact and Coulomb friction
- L.E. Andersson (2000), M.C. and Rocca (2000, 2001) - mathematical analysis of quasistatic elastic problems with unilateral contact and local Coulomb friction
- J. Martins and J. T. Oden (1985, 1987) dynamic problems with normal compliance laws
- G. Lebeau, M. Schatzman (1984), J. U. Kim (1989) - a wave equation with unilateral boundary conditions.
- J. Muñoz-Rivera, R. Racke (1998) - dynamic frictionless problem in thermoelasticity with radial symmetry and unilateral contact conditions.
- J. Jarušek (1993) - dynamic unilateral contact problems with given friction, for viscoelastic bodies.

- K.L. Kuttler, M. Shillor (2001, 2004) - dynamic, bilateral or unilateral, contact with nonlocal friction.
- M. Sofonea and co-workers (1993,...) - contact problems with friction in viscoplasticity and viscoelasticity.
- P.D. Panagiotopoulos and co-workers (1983-1999), S. Migórski and co-workers (2005-...) - hemivariational inequalities and applications to contact problems.
- A. Petrov, M. Schatzman (2002, 2009) - dynamic viscoelastic problems with unilateral constraints.
- M.C., M. Raous, M. Schryve, (2006-2009) - dynamic problems in viscoelasticity coupling unilateral contact, friction and adhesion.
- P.J. Rabier and O.V. Savin (2000) - an intermediate pointwise contact condition in the static case.
- M.C. (2014, 2015) - dynamic contact with intermediate contact conditions between two viscoelastic bodies

Classical and Variational Formulations

We consider two viscoelastic bodies, characterized by a nonlinear constitutive law of Kelvin-Voigt type, which occupy the open, bounded and connected sets Ω^α of \mathbb{R}^d , $d = 2$ or 3 , with Lipschitz boundaries $\Gamma^\alpha := \partial\Omega^\alpha$, $\alpha = 1, 2$.
 Let $\Gamma_U^\alpha, \Gamma_F^\alpha, \Gamma_C^\alpha \subset \Gamma^\alpha$ be relatively open, mutually disjoint sets and assume $\text{meas}(\Gamma_U^\alpha) > 0$, $\alpha = 1, 2$.

Notations:

\mathbf{u}^α , $\mathbf{u}^\alpha = (u_1^\alpha, \dots, u_d^\alpha) = (\bar{\mathbf{u}}^\alpha, u_d^\alpha)$ - the displacement field,

$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^\alpha$, $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^\alpha = (\varepsilon_{ij}(\mathbf{u}^\alpha))$ - the infinitesimal strain tensor,

$\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha$, $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha = (\sigma_{ij}^\alpha)$ - the stress tensor in Ω^α , $\alpha = 1, 2$,

$\mathbf{f}_1 = (\mathbf{f}_1^1, \mathbf{f}_1^2)$ - the given body forces in $\Omega^1 \cup \Omega^2$,

$\mathbf{f}_2 = (\mathbf{f}_2^1, \mathbf{f}_2^2)$ - the tractions in $\Gamma_F^1 \cup \Gamma_F^2$,

\mathbf{u}_0^α , \mathbf{u}_1^α - the initial displacements and velocities,

$\mathbf{U}^\alpha = \mathbf{0}$ - the prescribed displacement on Γ_U^α ,

\mathcal{A}^α , \mathcal{B}^α - the elasticity tensor and the viscosity tensor, respectively, corresponding to Ω^α , $\alpha = 1, 2$.

Assume that the solids are in contact, with a (sufficiently small) gap between the potential contact surfaces Γ_C^1 and Γ_C^2 , described by an open, bounded subset Ξ of \mathbb{R}^{d-1} such that Γ_C^1 and Γ_C^2 can be parametrized by two C^1 functions, $\varphi^1, \varphi^2 : \Xi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, satisfying

$$\varphi^1(\xi) - \varphi^2(\xi) \geq 0 \quad \forall \xi \in \Xi, \quad \Gamma_C^\alpha = \{ (\xi, \varphi^\alpha(\xi)); \xi \in \Xi \}, \quad \alpha = 1, 2.$$

We still denote the unit outward normal vector to Γ_C^α by $\mathbf{n}^\alpha : \Xi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, $\alpha = 1, 2$, the initial normalized gap by

$$g_0(\xi) = \frac{\varphi^1(\xi) - \varphi^2(\xi)}{\sqrt{1 + |\nabla \varphi^1(\xi)|^2}} \quad \forall \xi \in \Xi,$$

and we use the following notations for the normal and tangential components of \mathbf{v}^α , of the relative displacement and of $\sigma^\alpha \mathbf{n}^\alpha$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}^\alpha &:= \mathbf{v}^\alpha(\xi, t) = \mathbf{v}(\xi, \varphi^\alpha(\xi), t), \quad v_N^\alpha := v_N^\alpha(\xi, t) = \mathbf{v}^\alpha(\xi, \varphi^\alpha(\xi), t) \cdot \mathbf{n}^\alpha(\xi), \\ v_N &:= v_N(\xi, t) = v_N^1 + v_N^2, \quad [v_N] := [v_N](\xi, t) = v_N(\xi, t) - g_0(\xi), \\ \mathbf{v}_T^\alpha &:= \mathbf{v}_T^\alpha(\xi, t) = \mathbf{v}^\alpha - v_N^\alpha \mathbf{n}^\alpha, \quad \mathbf{v}_T := \mathbf{v}_T(\xi, t) = \mathbf{v}_T^1 - \mathbf{v}_T^2, \\ \sigma_N^\alpha &:= \sigma_N^\alpha(\xi, t) = (\sigma^\alpha \mathbf{n}^\alpha) \cdot \mathbf{n}^\alpha, \quad \sigma_T^\alpha := \sigma_T^\alpha(\xi, t) = \sigma^\alpha \mathbf{n}^\alpha - \sigma_N^\alpha \mathbf{n}^\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

for all ξ in Ξ and for all $t \in [0, T]$.

The unilateral contact condition at time t can be written as $[u_N](\xi, t) \leq 0 \quad \forall \xi \in \Xi$.

The state variables are:

- the infinitesimal strain tensor $\varepsilon := (\varepsilon^1, \varepsilon^2) = (\varepsilon(\mathbf{u}^1), \varepsilon(\mathbf{u}^2))$,
- the relative normal displacement $[u_N] = u_N^1 + u_N^2 - g_0$,
- the relative tangential displacement $\mathbf{u}_T = \mathbf{u}_T^1 - \mathbf{u}_T^2$.

Let $\mu = \mu(\xi, \dot{\mathbf{u}}_T)$ be the slip rate dependent coefficient of friction and assume that $\mu : \Xi \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is a bounded function such that for a.e. $\xi \in \Xi$ $\mu(\xi, \cdot)$ is Lipschitz continuous with the Lipschitz constant, denoted by C_μ , independent of ξ , and for every $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ $\mu(\cdot, \mathbf{v})$ is measurable.

Consider also the following mappings:

- $\underline{\kappa}, \bar{\kappa} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\underline{\kappa}$ and $\bar{\kappa}$ are lower semicontinuous and upper semicontinuous, respectively, satisfying

$$\underline{\kappa}(s) \leq \bar{\kappa}(s) \text{ and } 0 \notin (\underline{\kappa}(s), \bar{\kappa}(s)) \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad (1)$$

$$\exists r_0 \geq 0 \text{ such that } \max(|\underline{\kappa}(s)|, |\bar{\kappa}(s)|) \leq r_0 \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}^2. \quad (2)$$

Classical formulation

Problem \mathcal{P}_c : Find $\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{u}^1, \mathbf{u}^2)$ such that $\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0 = (\mathbf{u}_0^1, \mathbf{u}_0^2)$,
 $\dot{\mathbf{u}}(0) = \mathbf{u}_1 = (\mathbf{u}_1^1, \mathbf{u}_1^2)$ in $\Omega^1 \times \Omega^2$ and, for all $t \in (0, T)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}^\alpha - \operatorname{div} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{u}^\alpha, \dot{\mathbf{u}}^\alpha) &= \mathbf{f}_1^\alpha \text{ in } \Omega^\alpha, \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{u}^\alpha, \dot{\mathbf{u}}^\alpha) &= \mathcal{A}^\alpha \varepsilon(\mathbf{u}^\alpha) + \mathcal{B}^\alpha \varepsilon(\dot{\mathbf{u}}^\alpha) \text{ in } \Omega^\alpha, \\ \mathbf{u}^\alpha &= \mathbf{0} \text{ on } \Gamma_{\bar{U}}^\alpha, \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha \mathbf{n}^\alpha = \mathbf{f}_2^\alpha \text{ on } \Gamma_F^\alpha, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \\ \boldsymbol{\sigma}^1 \mathbf{n}^1 + \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 \mathbf{n}^2 &= \mathbf{0} \text{ in } \Xi, \\ \underline{\kappa}([u_N], \dot{u}_N) &\leq \sigma_N \leq \bar{\kappa}([u_N], \dot{u}_N) \text{ in } \Xi, \\ |\boldsymbol{\sigma}_T| &\leq \mu(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_T) |\sigma_N| \text{ in } \Xi \text{ and} \\ \dot{\mathbf{u}}_T \neq \mathbf{0} &\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\sigma}_T = -\mu(\dot{\mathbf{u}}_T) |\sigma_N| \frac{\dot{\mathbf{u}}_T}{|\dot{\mathbf{u}}_T|} \end{aligned}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha = \boldsymbol{\sigma}^\alpha(\mathbf{u}^\alpha, \dot{\mathbf{u}}^\alpha)$, $\alpha = 1, 2$, $\sigma_N := \sigma_N^1$, $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_T := \boldsymbol{\sigma}_T^1$.

Example 1. (Adhesion and friction conditions)

Let $s_0 \geq 0$, $M \geq 0$ be two constants and $k_0 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function such that $k_0 \geq 0$ with $k_0(0) = 0$. For $s = (s_1, s_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, define

$$\underline{\kappa}(s) = \underline{\kappa}(s_1) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s_1 \leq -s_0, \\ k_0(s_1) & \text{if } -s_0 < s_1 < 0, \\ -M & \text{if } s_1 \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad \bar{\kappa}(s) = \bar{\kappa}(s_1) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s_1 < -s_0, \\ k_0(s) & \text{if } -s_0 \leq s_1 \leq 0, \\ -M & \text{if } s_1 > 0. \end{cases}$$

Example 2. (Friction condition)

In Example 1 we set $k_0 = s_0 = 0$ and define

$$\underline{\kappa}(s) = \underline{\kappa}_M(s_1) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s_1 < 0, \\ -M & \text{if } s_1 \geq 0, \end{cases} \quad \bar{\kappa}(s) = \bar{\kappa}_M(s_1) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s_1 \leq 0, \\ -M & \text{if } s_1 > 0. \end{cases}$$

The classical Signorini's conditions correspond, formally, to $M = +\infty$.

Example 3. (General normal compliance conditions)

Various normal compliance conditions, friction and adhesion laws can be obtained if $\underline{\kappa} = \bar{\kappa} = \kappa$, where $\kappa : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is some bounded Lipschitz continuous function with $\kappa(0, 0) = 0$, so that σ_N is given by the relation $\sigma_N = \kappa([u_N], \dot{u}_N)$.

Variational formulation

We adopt the following notations:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}^s(\Omega^\alpha) &:= H^s(\Omega^\alpha; \mathbb{R}^d), \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \quad \mathbf{H}^s := \mathbf{H}^s(\Omega^1) \times \mathbf{H}^s(\Omega^2), \\ \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle_{-s, s} &= \langle \mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{w}^1 \rangle_{\mathbf{H}^{-s}(\Omega^1) \times \mathbf{H}^s(\Omega^1)} + \langle \mathbf{v}^2, \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle_{\mathbf{H}^{-s}(\Omega^2) \times \mathbf{H}^s(\Omega^2)} \\ \forall \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{v}^2) &\in \mathbf{H}^{-s}, \quad \forall \mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{w}^1, \mathbf{w}^2) \in \mathbf{H}^s, \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

Define the Hilbert spaces $(\mathbf{H}, |\cdot|)$ with the associated inner product denoted by (\cdot, \cdot) , $(\mathbf{V}, \|\cdot\|)$ with the associated inner product (of \mathbf{H}^1) denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, and the closed convex cones $L_+^2(\Xi)$, $L_+^2(\Xi \times (0, T))$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H} &:= \mathbf{H}^0 = L^2(\Omega^1; \mathbb{R}^d) \times L^2(\Omega^2; \mathbb{R}^d), \quad \mathbf{V} := \mathbf{V}^1 \times \mathbf{V}^2, \quad \text{where} \\ \mathbf{V}^\alpha &= \{ \mathbf{v}^\alpha \in \mathbf{H}^1(\Omega^\alpha); \mathbf{v}^\alpha = \mathbf{0} \text{ a.e. on } \Gamma_\cup^\alpha \}, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \\ L_+^2(\Xi) &:= \{ \delta \in L^2(\Xi); \delta \geq 0 \text{ a.e. in } \Xi \}, \\ L_+^2(\Xi \times (0, T)) &:= \{ \eta \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi)); \eta \geq 0 \text{ a.e. in } \Xi \times (0, T) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} : \mathbf{H}^1 \rightarrow \mathbf{H}^1$ be two mappings defined by : $\forall \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{H}^1$

$$\langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A}^1 \mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{w}^1 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{A}^2 \mathbf{v}^2, \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle, \langle \mathbf{B}\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{B}^1 \mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{w}^1 \rangle + \langle \mathbf{B}^2 \mathbf{v}^2, \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle, \text{ where}$$

$$\langle \mathbf{A}^\alpha \mathbf{v}^\alpha, \mathbf{w}^\alpha \rangle = \int_{\Omega^\alpha} \mathcal{A}^\alpha \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}^\alpha) \cdot \varepsilon(\mathbf{w}^\alpha) dx, \langle \mathbf{B}^\alpha \mathbf{v}^\alpha, \mathbf{w}^\alpha \rangle = \int_{\Omega^\alpha} \mathcal{B}^\alpha \varepsilon(\mathbf{v}^\alpha) \cdot \varepsilon(\mathbf{w}^\alpha) dx.$$

Assume $\mathbf{f}_1^\alpha \in W^{1,\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Omega^\alpha; \mathbb{R}^d))$, $\mathbf{f}_2^\alpha \in W^{1,\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Gamma_F^\alpha; \mathbb{R}^d))$, $\alpha = 1, 2$,
 $\mathbf{u}_0, \mathbf{u}_1 \in \mathbf{V}$, $g_0 \in L^2_+(\Xi)$, and define the following mappings:

$$J : L^2(\Xi) \times (\mathbf{H}^1)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, J(\delta, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = \int_{\Xi} \mu(\mathbf{v}_T) |\delta| |\mathbf{w}_T| d\xi \quad \forall \delta \in L^2(\Xi), \forall \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{H}^1,$$

$$\mathbf{f} \in W^{1,\infty}(0, T; \mathbf{H}^1), \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \sum_{\alpha=1,2} \int_{\Omega^\alpha} \mathbf{f}_1^\alpha \cdot \mathbf{v}^\alpha dx + \sum_{\alpha=1,2} \int_{\Gamma_F^\alpha} \mathbf{f}_2^\alpha \cdot \mathbf{v}^\alpha ds$$

$$\forall \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{v}^2) \in \mathbf{H}^1, \forall t \in [0, T].$$

Assume the following compatibility conditions: $[u_{0N}] \leq 0$, $\bar{\kappa}([u_{0N}], u_{1N}) = 0$ a.e. in Ξ and $\exists \mathbf{p}_0 \in \mathbf{H}$ such that

$$(\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{w}) + \langle \mathbf{A}u_0, \mathbf{w} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{B}u_1, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{f}(0), \mathbf{w} \rangle \quad \forall \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{V}.$$

For every $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \zeta_2) \in L^2(0, T; (L^2(\Xi))^2)$ define the following sets:

$$\Lambda(\zeta) = \{\eta \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi)); \underline{\kappa} \circ \zeta \leq \eta \leq \bar{\kappa} \circ \zeta \text{ a.e. in } \Xi \times (0, T)\},$$

$$\Lambda_+(\zeta) = \{\eta \in L_+^2(\Xi \times (0, T)); \underline{\kappa}_+ \circ \zeta \leq \eta \leq \bar{\kappa}_+ \circ \zeta \text{ a.e. in } \Xi \times (0, T)\},$$

$$\Lambda_-(\zeta) = \{\eta \in L_+^2(\Xi \times (0, T)); \bar{\kappa}_- \circ \zeta \leq \eta \leq \underline{\kappa}_- \circ \zeta \text{ a.e. in } \Xi \times (0, T)\},$$

where, for each $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $s_+ := \max(0, s)$ and $s_- := \max(0, -s)$ denote the positive and negative parts, respectively.

Problem \mathcal{P}_v^1 : Find $\mathbf{u} \in C^1([0, T]; \mathbf{H}^{-\iota}) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; \mathbf{V})$, $\lambda \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi))$ such that $\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0$, $\dot{\mathbf{u}}(0) = \mathbf{u}_1$, $\lambda \in \Lambda([u_N], \dot{u}_N)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \dot{\mathbf{u}}(T), \mathbf{v}(T) - \mathbf{u}(T) \rangle_{-\iota, \iota} - (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}(0) - \mathbf{u}_0) - \int_0^T (\dot{\mathbf{u}}, \dot{\mathbf{v}} - \dot{\mathbf{u}}) dt \\ & + \int_0^T \left\{ \langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{B}\dot{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle - (\lambda, v_N - u_N)_{L^2(\Xi)} \right\} dt \\ & + \int_0^T \{J(\lambda, \dot{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v} + k\dot{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{u}) - J(\lambda, \dot{\mathbf{u}}, k\dot{\mathbf{u}})\} dt \geq \int_0^T \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle dt \\ & \forall \mathbf{v} \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathbf{V}) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; \mathbf{H}), \text{ where } 1 > \iota > \frac{1}{2}, k > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

The Lagrange multiplier λ satisfies the relation $\lambda = \sigma_N$.
 Let $\phi : (L_+^2(\Xi))^2 \times (\mathbf{V})^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\delta_1, \delta_2, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) &= -(\delta_1 - \delta_2, w_N)_{L^2(\Xi)} + \int_{\Xi} \mu(\mathbf{v}_T) (\delta_1 + \delta_2) |\mathbf{w}_T| d\xi \\ \forall (\delta_1, \delta_2) &\in (L_+^2(\Xi))^2, \forall \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{v}^1, \mathbf{v}^2), \mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{w}^1, \mathbf{w}^2) \in \mathbf{V}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\eta \in \Lambda(\zeta)$ if and only if $(\eta_+, \eta_-) \in \Lambda_+(\zeta) \times \Lambda_-(\zeta)$, it follows that the variational problem P_V^1 is clearly equivalent with the following problem.

Problem \mathcal{P}_V^2 : Find $\mathbf{u} \in C^1([0, T]; \mathbf{H}^{-\iota}) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; \mathbf{V})$, $\lambda \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi))$ such that $\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0$, $\dot{\mathbf{u}}(0) = \mathbf{u}_1$, $(\lambda_+, \lambda_-) \in \Lambda_+([u_N], \dot{u}_N) \times \Lambda_-([u_N], \dot{u}_N)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \dot{\mathbf{u}}(T), \mathbf{v}(T) - \mathbf{u}(T) \rangle_{-\iota, \iota} - (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{v}(0) - \mathbf{u}_0) \\ & + \int_0^T \{ -(\dot{\mathbf{u}}, \dot{\mathbf{v}} - \dot{\mathbf{u}}) + \langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{B}\dot{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle \} dt \\ & + \int_0^T \{ \phi(\lambda_+, \lambda_-, \dot{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{v} + k\dot{\mathbf{u}} - \mathbf{u}) - \phi(\lambda_+, \lambda_-, \dot{\mathbf{u}}, k\dot{\mathbf{u}}) \} dt \geq \int_0^T \langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u} \rangle dt \\ & \forall \mathbf{v} \in L^\infty(0, T; \mathbf{V}) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; \mathbf{H}). \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

General Existence Results

Let $U_0, (V_0, \|\cdot\|, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle), (U, \|\cdot\|_U)$ and $(H_0, |\cdot|, (\cdot, \cdot))$ be four Hilbert spaces such that U_0 is a closed linear subspace of V_0 dense in H_0 , $V_0 \subset U \subseteq H_0$ with continuous embeddings and the embedding from V_0 into U is compact.

Let $B_r(\Xi), B_r(\Xi_T)$ denote the closed balls with center 0 and radius r in $L^\infty(\Xi), L^\infty(\Xi_T)$, respectively, where $\Xi_T := \Xi \times (0, T)$ and $r > 0$.

Let two functionals $F_{1,2} : V_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ differentiable on V_0 and assume that their derivatives $F'_{1,2} : V_0 \rightarrow V$, are strongly monotone and Lipschitz continuous, that is

$$\alpha_i \|u - v\|^2 \leq \langle F'_i(u) - F'_i(v), u - v \rangle, \quad \|F'_i(u) - F'_i(v)\| \leq \beta_i \|u - v\|, \quad (5)$$

for all $u, v \in V_0, i = 1, 2$.

Let $I : (V_0)^2 \rightarrow (L^2(\Xi))^2$ and $\phi_0 : [0, T] \times (L^2_+(\Xi))^2 \times (V_0)^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be two mappings satisfying the following conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} &\exists k_1 > 0 \text{ such that } \forall \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 \in (V_0)^2, \\ &\|I(\bar{v}_1) - I(\bar{v}_2)\|_{(L^2(\Xi))^2} \leq k_1 \|\bar{v}_1 - \bar{v}_2\|_{(U)^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

$$\forall t \in [0, T], \quad \forall \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in L^2_+(\Xi), \quad \forall v_1, v_2, v \in V_0,$$

$$\phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, v_1 + v_2) \leq \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, v_1) + \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, v_2), \quad (7)$$

$$\phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, \theta v_1) = \theta \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, v_1), \quad \forall \theta \geq 0, \quad (8)$$

$$\forall v \in V_0, \quad \phi_0(0, 0, 0, 0, v) = 0, \quad (9)$$

$$\phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, w) = 0, \quad \forall w \in U_0, \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\forall r > 0, \exists k_2(r) > 0 \text{ such that } \forall t_1, t_2 \in [0, T], \\ &\quad \forall \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \delta_1, \delta_2 \in L_+^2(\Xi) \cap B_r(\Xi), \forall v_1, v_2, w_1, w_2 \in V_0, \\ &|\phi_0(t_1, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v_1, w_1) - \phi_0(t_1, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v_1, w_2) + \phi_0(t_2, \delta_1, \delta_2, v_2, w_2) - \phi_0(t_2, \delta_1, \delta_2, v_2, w_1)| \\ &\leq k_2(r)(|t_1 - t_2| + \|\gamma_1 - \delta_1\|_{L^2(\Xi)} + \|\gamma_2 - \delta_2\|_{L^2(\Xi)} + \|v_1 - v_2\|_U) \|w_1 - w_2\|_U, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{if } (\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n) \in (L_+^2(\Xi_T))^2 \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ &\text{and } (\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n) \rightharpoonup (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \text{ in } (L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi)))^2, \text{ then} \\ &\int_0^T \phi_0(s, \gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n, v, w) ds \rightarrow \int_0^T \phi_0(s, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, v, w) ds \quad \forall v, w \in L^2(0, T; V_0). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Assume that $f_0 \in W^{1,\infty}(0, T; V_0)$, $u^0, u^1 \in V_0$ are given, and that the following compatibility conditions hold: $\bar{\kappa}(l(u^0, u^1)) = 0$ and $\exists p_0 \in H_0$ such that

$$(p_0, w) + \langle F'_1(u^0), w \rangle + \langle F'_2(u^1), w \rangle = \langle f_0(0), w \rangle \quad \forall w \in V_0. \quad (13)$$

Problem \mathcal{Q}_1 : Find $u \in W_0$, $\lambda \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi))$ such that $u(0) = u^0$, $\dot{u}(0) = u^1$, $(\lambda_+, \lambda_-) \in \Lambda_+(l(u, \dot{u})) \times \Lambda_-(l(u, \dot{u}))$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \dot{u}(T), v(T) - u(T) \rangle_{U' \times U} - (u_1, v(0) - u_0) \\ & + \int_0^T \{ -(\dot{u}, \dot{v} - \dot{u}) + \langle F'_1(u), v - u \rangle + \langle F'_2(\dot{u}), v - u \rangle \} dt \\ & + \int_0^T \{ \phi_0(t, \lambda_+, \lambda_-, \dot{u}, v + k\dot{u} - u) - \phi_0(t, \lambda_+, \lambda_-, \dot{u}, k\dot{u}) \} dt \geq \int_0^T \langle f_0, v - u \rangle dt \\ & \forall v \in L^\infty(0, T; V_0) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; H_0), \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where $W_0 := C^1([0, T]; U') \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; V_0)$.

We consider the following problem, which has the same solution u as the problem Q_1 , and the solutions λ_1, λ_2 satisfy the relation $\lambda = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2$, where λ is a solution of Q_1 .

Problem \mathcal{Q}_2 : Find $u \in W_0$, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi))$ such that $u(0) = u^0$, $\dot{u}(0) = u^1$, $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \in \Lambda_+(I(u, \dot{u})) \times \Lambda_-(I(u, \dot{u}))$ and

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \dot{u}(T), v(T) - u(T) \rangle_{U' \times U} - (u_1, v(0) - u_0) \\ & + \int_0^T \{ -(\dot{u}, \dot{v} - \dot{u}) + \langle F'_1(u), v - u \rangle + \langle F'_2(\dot{u}), v - u \rangle \} dt \\ & + \int_0^T \{ \phi_0(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dot{u}, v + k\dot{u} - u) - \phi_0(t, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dot{u}, k\dot{u}) \} dt \geq \int_0^T \langle f_0, v - u \rangle dt \\ & \forall v \in L^\infty(0, T; V_0) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; H_0). \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Some auxiliary existence results

Lemma

Assume that (5), (7)-(9), (11), and (13) hold. If $r > 0$ then, for each $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in (W^{1,\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Xi)))^2 \cap (L^2_+(\Xi_T))^2 \cap (B_r(\Xi_T))^2$ with $\gamma_1(0) = \gamma_2(0) = 0$, there exists a unique solution $u = u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}$ of the following evolution variational inequality: find $u \in W^{2,2}(0, T; H_0) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; V_0)$ such that $u(0) = u^0$, $\dot{u}(0) = u^1$, and for almost all $t \in (0, T)$

$$\begin{aligned} &(\ddot{u}, v - \dot{u}) + \langle F'_1(u), v - \dot{u} \rangle + \langle F'_2(\dot{u}), v - \dot{u} \rangle \\ &+ \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dot{u}, v) - \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dot{u}, \dot{u}) \geq \langle f_0, v - \dot{u} \rangle \quad \forall v \in V_0. \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Lemma

Let $r > 0$, $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2), (\delta_1, \delta_2) \in (W^{1,\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Xi)))^2 \cap (L^2_+(\Xi_T))^2 \cap (B_r(\Xi_T))^2$ such that $\gamma_1(0) = \gamma_2(0) = \delta_1(0) = \delta_2(0) = 0$ and let $u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}, u_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}$ be the corresponding solutions of (16). Then there exists a constant $C_0 > 0$, independent of $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2), (\delta_1, \delta_2)$, such that for all $t \in [0, T]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |\dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}(t) - \dot{u}_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}(t)|^2 + \|u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}(t) - u_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}(t)\|^2 \\
 & \quad + \int_0^t \|\dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)} - \dot{u}_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}\|^2 ds \\
 \leq & C_0 \int_0^t \{ \phi_0(s, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}, \dot{u}_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) - \phi_0(s, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}, \dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}) \\
 & + \phi_0(s, \delta_1, \delta_2, \dot{u}_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}, \dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}) - \phi_0(s, \delta_1, \delta_2, \dot{u}_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}, \dot{u}_{(\delta_1, \delta_2)}) \} ds.
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

A fixed point problem formulation

Theorem

For each $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in (L_+^2(\Xi_T))^2 \cap (B_{r_0}(\Xi_T))^2$, let $(\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n)_n$ be a sequence in $(W^{1,\infty}(0, T; L^2(\Xi)))^2 \cap (L_+^2(\Xi_T))^2 \cap (B_r(\Xi_T))^2$, for some $r > 0$, such that $(\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n) \rightharpoonup (\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$ in $(L^2(0, T; L^2(\Xi)))^2$, $\gamma_1^n(0) = \gamma_2^n(0) = 0$, and let $u_{(\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n)}$ be the solution of (16) corresponding to (γ_1^n, γ_2^n) , for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $(u_{(\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n)})_n$ is strongly convergent in W_0 , its limit, denoted by $u = u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}$, is independent of the chosen sequence converging to (γ_1, γ_2) with the same properties as $(\gamma_1^n, \gamma_2^n)_n$ and is a solution of the following evolution variational inequality: $u(0) = u^0$, $\dot{u}(0) = u^1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \dot{u}(T), v(T) - u(T) \rangle_{U' \times U} - (u^1, v(0) - u^0) \\ & + \int_0^T \{ -(\dot{u}, \dot{v} - \dot{u}) + \langle F'_1(u), v - u \rangle + \langle F'_2(\dot{u}), v - u \rangle \} dt \\ & + \int_0^T \{ \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dot{u}, v - u + k\dot{u}) - \phi_0(t, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dot{u}, k\dot{u}) \} dt \geq \int_0^T \langle f_0, v - u \rangle dt \\ & \forall v \in L^\infty(0, T; V_0) \cap W^{1,2}(0, T; H_0). \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

Let $\Phi : (L_+^2(\Xi_T) \cap B_{r_0}(\Xi_T))^2 \rightarrow 2^{(L_+^2(\Xi_T) \cap B_{r_0}(\Xi_T))^2 \setminus \{\emptyset\}}$ be the set-valued mapping defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) &= \Lambda_+(I(u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}), \dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}) \times \Lambda_-(I(u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}), \dot{u}_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}) \\ &\text{for all } (\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \in (L_+^2(\Xi_T) \cap B_{r_0}(\Xi_T))^2, \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

where $u_{(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)}$ is the solution of the variational inequality (18) which corresponds to (γ_1, γ_2) by the procedure described in the previous theorem.

It is easily seen that if (λ_1, λ_2) is a fixed point of Φ , i.e. $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \in \Phi(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$, then $(u_{(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)$ is a solution of the Problem Q_2 .

We shall consider a new problem, which consists in finding a fixed point of the set-valued mapping Φ , called also multivalued function, which will provide a solution of Problem Q_1 .

Definition

Let Y be a reflexive Banach space, D a weakly closed set in Y , and $F : D \rightarrow 2^Y \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ be a multivalued function. F is called sequentially weakly upper semicontinuous if $z_n \rightharpoonup z$, $y_n \in F(z_n)$ and $y_n \rightharpoonup y$ imply $y \in F(z)$.

Proposition

(Ky Fan) Let Y be a reflexive Banach space, D a convex, closed and bounded set in Y , and $F : D \rightarrow 2^D \setminus \{\emptyset\}$ a sequentially weakly upper semicontinuous multivalued function such that $F(z)$ is convex for every $z \in D$. Then F has a fixed point.

Theorem

Assume that (1), (2), (5)-(12) and (13) hold. Then there exists $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \in (L_+^2(\Xi_T) \cap B_{r_0}(\Xi_T))^2$ such that $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \in \Phi(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$. For each fixed point (λ_1, λ_2) of the set-valued mapping Φ , $(u_{(\lambda_1, \lambda_2)}, \lambda)$ with $\lambda = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2$ is a solution of the Problem Q_1 .

Existence of a Solution to the Contact Problem

Theorem

Under the above assumptions there exists a solution of the Problem P_V^1 .

Proof.

We prove that there exists at least a solution $(\mathbf{u}, \lambda_+, \lambda_-)$ of the Problem P_V^2 which will provide a solution (\mathbf{u}, λ) of the Problem P_V^1 with $\lambda = \lambda_+ - \lambda_-$.

We apply the previous theorem to $U_0 = \mathbf{H}_0^1 = H_0^1(\Omega^1; \mathbb{R}^d) \times H_0^1(\Omega^2; \mathbb{R}^d)$, $V_0 = \mathbf{V}$, $U = \mathbf{H}^e$, $H_0 = \mathbf{H}$, $F'_1 = \mathbf{A}$, $F'_2 = \mathbf{B}$, $u^0 = \mathbf{u}_0$, $u^1 = \mathbf{u}_1$, $\phi_0 = \phi$, $f_0 = \mathbf{f}$ and to the mapping $l : \mathbf{V}^2 \rightarrow (L^2(\Xi))^2$ defined by $l(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) = ([v_N], w_N) \quad \forall \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{V}$. □

Perspectives

- More complex contact interaction laws (in quasistatic or dynamic cases)
- Nonlinear quasistatic and dynamic unilateral contact problems with friction
- Hemivariational formulations
- Numerical analysis and solution methods (parareal methods...)