Some contact problems for elastic rods

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apply to : - slender bodies - not too bent













F(s+ds) - F(s) + p(s) ds = 0F'(s) + p(s) = 0

Equilibrium



Equilibrium $M' + r' \times F = 0$



Cosserat frame

 $d'_1 = u \times d_1$ $d'_2 = u \times d_2$ $d'_3 = u \times d_3$



constitutive relations



- E Young's modulus
- I second moment of area

twist



G shear modulus J polar moment of area



Find admissible equilibrium solutions : shooting method



1D solution manifold : path following predictor-corrector scheme

ID solution manifold $\begin{cases} \phi_1(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0\\ \phi_2(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0 \end{cases}$

At each point :

1-(predictor) we take a guess : Z_i

2-(corrector)

we define a projection :

$$P_i(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0$$

and we solve :

$$\begin{cases} \phi_1(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0 \\ \phi_2(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0 \\ P_i(u_1, u_2, u_3) = 0 \end{cases}$$

to obtain A_i



Find admissible equilibrium solutions : discretization methods



1st `experiment'

Clamped rod loaded in tension and torque



D : raccourcissement

R : rotation













force from strand at s_2 acting on strand at s_1

$$\vec{F}_1 = \vec{p} + \vec{F}_2$$

$$\vec{p} = p \frac{\vec{r}(s_1) - \vec{r}(s_2)}{|\vec{r}(s_1) - \vec{r}(s_2)|}$$

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Self-contact topology



Filaments coiled in helical structures

Previous work : Fraser & Stump (1998) , Coleman & Swigon (2000)



2 $K_0 n \sin^3 \theta \cos \theta + \epsilon n K_3 R \tau \cos 2\theta + R^2 F \sin \theta - \epsilon R M \cos \theta = 0$

$$pR^{3} = \frac{\sin^{2}\theta}{\cos 2\theta} \left(K_{0} \sin^{2}\theta + \frac{R^{2}F}{n} \cos\theta - \epsilon \frac{RM}{n} \sin\theta \right)$$

ε=+-1 : handedness n : nb of strands F, M : external stress





Minimize
$$V = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \kappa^2(s) ds + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \tau^2(s) ds$$

subject to the constraint: rod has to lie on the cylinder

Equations for:
the coiling angle
$$\theta(s)$$

the contact pressure $p(s)$

First way to obtain equilibrium equations

Variational approach:

$$V[\theta, \theta', \phi, \phi'] = \int_0^L W(\theta(s), \theta'(s), \phi(s), \phi'(s)) \, ds$$

$$\frac{\partial W}{\partial \theta} = \frac{d}{ds} \frac{\partial W}{\partial \theta'} \\
\frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi} = \frac{d}{ds} \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi'}$$
Euler-Lagrange equations

Second way to obtain equilibrium equations

Forces balance (1) for each strand (2) for the ply



Third way to obtain equilibrium equations Ansatz (semi-inverse problem)



contact conditions

$$\Delta(\theta, x) := 2 + x^{2} \cos^{2} \theta - 2 \cos\left(x \sin \theta - \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) = \frac{4}{\rho^{2}}$$

$$x \cos^{2} \theta + \sin \theta \sin\left(x \sin \theta - \frac{2\pi}{n}\right) = 0,$$
where
$$x = \frac{\varepsilon(s_{1} - s_{2})}{R}, \quad \rho = \frac{R}{r}.$$

$$\gamma = \frac{C}{B}, \quad f = \frac{r^{2} F_{0}}{B}, \quad m = \frac{r M_{0}}{B} \quad \text{external loads}$$

 $2n\sin^3\theta\cos\theta + \varepsilon n\rho\gamma ru_3\cos 2\theta + \rho^2 f\sin\theta - \varepsilon\rho m\cos\theta = 0.$

$$\frac{pr^3}{B} = \frac{\sin^2\theta}{n\rho^3\cos 2\theta} (n\sin^2\theta + \rho^2 f\cos\theta - \varepsilon\rho m\sin\theta).$$

equilibrium
Self-contact topology



2nd `experiment'









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Numerical Path Following : Results



Distance of self-approach s_b $\rho(s_a, s_b) - 2h$ $ho(s_a,s_b)$ + L/2 h s_a S=0 s_a o'

$$\rho(s_a, s_b) < 2h$$

– L/2

0

 s_b

+ L/2

-L/2

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Kirchhoff Equations

$$\begin{cases} \vec{F}' &= -\vec{p} \\ \vec{M}' &= \vec{F} \times \vec{t} \\ \vec{t}' &= \frac{1}{EI} \vec{M} \times \vec{t} \\ \vec{R}' &= \vec{t} \end{cases}$$

forces equil. moments equil. kinematics tangent def.

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \prime \equiv \frac{d}{ds} \end{array} \right)$$

 $\vec{p}(s)$ ext. pressure $\vec{F}(s)$ internal force

 $\vec{M}(s)$ internal moment $\vec{R}(s)$ position $\vec{t}(s)$ tangent







Braid : linear superposition $f \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$

small deflections => linear problem









 $\sigma_3 = -\sigma_1 = 2.66$; $\sigma_2 = 0$; $P_1 = P_3 = 0.32$; $P_2 = 0.35$





Braid : variational formulation



Kirchhoff equations => minimizing an energy

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \left({u''}^2 + {v''}^2 \right) d\sigma + v'(+\infty) + v'(-\infty)$$

with constraint: $u^2(\sigma) + v^2(\sigma) \ge 1$, $\forall \sigma$

work of external applied moments

Braid : contact topology



side view



inter-strand distance



Braid : contact topology





3rd `experiment'



Close packing 0.4 0.3 0.2 Η $\Delta = 0.15$ 0.1 0.0 -0.1 0.0 0.8 0.2 0.6 0.4 continuous contact unknown contact curve





$$\bar{x}'(\sigma) = \cos \bar{\theta} \qquad \bar{m}'(\sigma) = \bar{n}_x \sin \bar{\theta} - \bar{n}_y \cos \bar{\theta} \bar{y}'(\sigma) = \sin \bar{\theta} \qquad \bar{n}'_x(\sigma) = -\bar{p}(\sigma) \, \bar{u}_x(\sigma) \bar{\theta}'(\sigma) = \bar{m} \qquad \bar{n}'_y(\sigma) = -\bar{p}(\sigma) \, \bar{u}_y(\sigma)$$



unknown functions

$$p(s), u_x(s), u_y(s)$$

$$\bar{p}(\sigma), \bar{u}_x(\sigma), \bar{u}_y(\sigma)$$
Close packing



force balance & action-reaction

 $\bar{p}(\sigma)d\sigma = p(s)ds$ $\bar{u}_x(\sigma) = -u_x(s)$ $\bar{u}_y(\sigma) = -u_y(s)$



Close packing



arc-length relation $d\sigma = (1 - 2h) \theta'(s) ds$

where
$$\frac{1}{R_c} = \theta'(s)$$

= $m(s)$

slave variable $\sigma = \sigma(s)$

$$\begin{array}{l} \mbox{full set of} \\ \mbox{equations} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x'(s) = \cos\theta \\ y'(s) = \sin\theta \\ \theta'(s) = m \\ m'(s) = n_x \sin\theta - n_y \cos\theta \\ n'_x(s) = -p \sin\theta \\ n'_y(s) = p \cos\theta \end{array} \right| \begin{array}{l} \bar{x}'(s) = (1 - 2hm) \cos\theta \\ \bar{y}'(s) = (1 - 2hm) \sin\theta \\ \bar{m}'(s) = (1 - 2hm) (\bar{n}_x \sin\theta - \bar{n}_y \cos\bar{\theta}) \\ \bar{n}'_x(s) = p \sin\theta \\ \bar{n}'_y(s) = -p \cos\theta \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{ds} = 1 - 2hm \\
\frac{d\theta}{ds} = m \\
\frac{d\bar{\theta}}{d\sigma} = \bar{m}$$

$$m = (1 - 2hm)\bar{m} \\
\int d^2/ds^2 \\
\frac{d\bar{\theta}}{d\sigma} = \bar{m}$$

$$p(s) = \frac{6h(1 - 2hm)^2 v\bar{v} + mt - m(1 - 2hm)^3 \bar{t}}{1 + (1 - 2hm)^3}$$

where
$$egin{array}{ll} v = n_x \sin heta - n_y \cos heta \ t = n_x \cos heta + n_y \sin heta \end{array}$$





































Tige encastrée : symétrie des solutions

extrémités encastrées => solutions symétriques



Généralisation : contact ? autres conditions de bords ? tige à section anisotrope ?

D. Swigon (PhD Rutgers) 1999 B³

Un cas d'école : tige encastrée

tige uniforme, isotrope, naturellement droite, ...



réduction système 21 D => 6D

 $r' = d_3$ $d'_3 = (F \times r + M_0) \times d_3$

Prise en compte de l'auto-contact





2D solution manifold



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