Shape optimisation with the Discrete Adjoint Technique

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${\cal F}$	the shape,
\mathcal{D}	set of admissible shapes,
\mathcal{L}	differential operator of the PDE,
$\Omega(\mathcal{F})$	PDE domain as function of the shape,
B	operator defining boundary conditions,
f and g	given functions.

Existence of solutions, e.g. [Haslinger/Mäkinen 2003].

Sensitivity Analysis



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if $\left[\frac{\partial R}{\partial u}\right]^T \Psi = \left[\frac{\partial \widetilde{I}}{\partial u}\right]^T$.



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 \Rightarrow if derivatives of highlighted terms are calculated, only have to use product rule for rest



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• stationary incompressible Navier-Stokes

$$-\nu \Delta \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = \mathbf{f},$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}.$$

- model for incompressible fluids or compressible fluids at low Mach number (< 0.3).
- existence and uniqueness for small data, e.g. [Gunzburger 1989]

FEINS:

- Taylor-Hood finite elements $(P_2 P_1)$, unstructured meshes of triangles
- full-multigrid and Newton-method for nonlinear algebraic system
- GMRES preconditioned with *F_p* preconditioner, see e.g. [Elmann/Silvester/Wathen 2005].

• multigrid preconditioned GMRES for F^{-1} part





Example: Obstacle in channel



- An object is moving with v = 1 in a channel of viscous fluid.
- $\bullet\,$ Goal: find shape such that drag $\rightarrow\,$ min.

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \end{bmatrix} = \int_{\partial Q} \mu (\nabla u + \nabla u^T) \ n \ \mathrm{d}\Gamma - \int_{\partial Q} p \ n \ \mathrm{d}\Gamma,$$
$$I := F_1.$$

• constraint: a = const, $V \ge const$., symmetric





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Example 2: Obstacle in channel



optimisation movie

$$f_0 = 1.4056$$
 $f_* = 1.3714$



Example 3: linear elasticity

(with Andreas Günnel)

sketch of pedal crank problem:



24 free parameters

performance functional: deformation energy

$$I(\mathcal{F}) := rac{1}{2} a(u,u) - b(u) + lpha \int\limits_{\Omega} 1 \ \mathrm{d}\Omega$$

adaptive discretisation (residual error estimate)



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- Discrete adjoint technique very general, also for other PDE optimisation problems.
- Examples:
 - anisotropic mesh adaptation by optimisation of node positions,
 - Navier-Stokes with FVM discretisation.
- FEM solver FEINS efficient
 - Navier-Stokes only for low Re
 - linear elasticity
- Demonstrated shape optimisation feasible for a set of model problems

Thank you!