# Computational Contact Mechanics Finite Element Method

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# Introduction

## 1 Assembled parts, e.g. engines



Aircraft's engine GP 7200 www.safran-group.com



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High speed train TGV www.sncf.com



Wilde/ANSYS wildeanalysis.co.uk

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Bearings www.skf.com



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Helical gear www.tpg.com.tw



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Assembled breaking system www.brembo.com



www.mechanicalengineeringblog.com

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Tire-road contact www.michelin.com



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Deep drawing www.thomasnet.com



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Crash-test www.porsche.com



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Human articulations www.sportssupplements.net



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Sand dunes www.en.wikipedia.org



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Damage at electric contact zone www.taicaan.com



Simulation of electric current www.comsol.com

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San-Andreas fault, by M. Rightmire www.sciencedude.ocregister.com



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Drill Bit tool RobitRocktools; extraction of geothermal energy (SINTEF, NTNU)



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Impact crater, Arizona www.MrEclipse.com et maps.google.com

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# Physical and mathematical complexity

- Contact interface is hard to observe in situ
- Many things happen in the interface
- Strong thermo-mechanical or fluid-solid coupling in sliding
- Mathematical formulation is also non-trivial, hard to handle analytically
- Robust and accurate computational framework is needed

# Basics of Contact and Friction

## Notations

## Vectors and tensors

• <i>a</i> , α	scalars
• <u>b</u>	vectors
• $\underline{\underline{C}}, \underline{\underline{\beta}}$	2nd order tensors
• <sup>4</sup> <u>D</u>	4th order tensors

•  $\nabla a = \underline{B}$  gradient operator

- $\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} = c$ •  $\underline{a} \times \underline{b} = \underline{c}$ •  $\underline{a} \otimes \underline{b} = \underline{c}$ •  $\underline{A} \otimes \underline{b} = \underline{C}$
- scalar (dot) product
  - vector (cross) product
  - tensor product
    - transposition
  - $\nabla \cdot \underline{a} = c$  divergence operator
  - $\underline{\underline{I}} = \underline{\underline{e}}_i \otimes \underline{\underline{e}}_i$  2nd order identity tensor

# Mechanics

•  $\nabla \times a = b$ 

•  $\underline{\sigma}$  Cauchy stress tensor

curl (rot) operator

- $g, g_n$  gap, normal gap
- *e* penalty parameter
- $\lambda$ ,  $\lambda_n$ ,  $\lambda_t$  lagrange multipliers
- $\sigma_n = (\underline{\underline{\sigma}} \cdot \underline{\underline{n}}) \cdot \underline{\underline{n}}$  contact pressure



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Small strain tensor position vector in parent space outward unit normal vector surface tangent vectors Coefficient of friction

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 $g_n = \underline{n} \cdot \left[\underline{r}_s - \underline{\rho}(\xi_n)\right],$ <u>n</u> is a unit normal vector, <u>r</u><sub>s</sub> slave point,  $\underline{\rho}(\xi_n)$  projection point at master surface



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Definition of the normal gap



Consider existence and uniqueness

# Frictionless or normal contact conditions

## No penetration

Always non-negative gap

 $g \ge 0$ 

#### No adhesion

Always non-positive contact pressure

 $\sigma_n^* \leq 0$ 

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#### In mechanics:

Normal contact conditions  $\equiv$ Frictionless contact conditions  $\equiv$ Hertz<sup>1</sup>\_-Signorini,<sup>[2]</sup> conditions  $\equiv$ Hertz<sup>1</sup>\_-Signorini,<sup>[2]</sup>-Moreau<sup>[3]</sup> conditions also known in **optimization theory** as Karush<sup>[4]</sup>-Kuhn<sup>[5]</sup>-Tucker,<sup>[6]</sup> conditions



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<sup>1</sup>Heinrich Rudolf Hertz (1857–1894) a German physicist who first formulated and solved the frictionless contact problem between elastic ellipsoidal bodies.

<sup>2</sup>Antonio Signorini (1888–1963) an Italian mathematical physicist who gave a general and rigorous mathematical formulation of contact constraints.

<sup>3</sup>Jean Jacques Moreau (1923) a French mathematician who formulated a non-convex optimization problem based on these conditions and introduced pseudo-potentials in contact mechanics.

<sup>4</sup>William Karush (1917–1997), <sup>5</sup>Harold William Kuhn (1925) American mathematicians, <sup>6</sup>Albert William Tucker (1905–1995) a Canadian mathematician.

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Relative slip between a slave point and a deformable master surface

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 $x_P = \xi x_C + (1 - \xi) x_B$  (1)

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Scheme of 2D frictional contact



Scheme of 3D frictional contact

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#### More friction laws



•  $\mu_s$  static and  $\mu_k$  kinetic coefficients of friction.

#### • Rate and state friction law

- Rate  $v_t = |\underline{v}_t|$  relative slip velocity
- State  $\theta \approx$  internal time
- Dieterich–Ruina–Perrin (1979, 83, 95)
  Frictional resistance

 $\sigma_t^c = |\sigma_n| \left[ \mu_s + b\theta + a \ln(v_t/v_0) \right]$ 

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Two solids in contact

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$$\int_{\partial\Omega} \underline{n} \cdot \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \cdot \delta \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Gamma \, \left| + \int_{\Omega} \left[ \underline{f}_{v} \cdot \delta \underline{\underline{u}} - \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \cdot \cdot \delta \nabla \underline{\underline{u}} \right] d\Omega = 0$$



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• Variational inequality for minimizer  $u \in \mathbb{K} \subset \mathbb{V}$ :

$$F'(u)(v-u) \geq 0, \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{K}$$

#### Example of variational inequality



Minimize F(x) for  $x \in \mathbb{K} \subset \mathbb{R}$ , then the minimizer u satisfies

 $F'(u)(v-u) \ge 0, \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{K}$ 

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#### Variational inequality in contact

- Since  $g_n \sigma_n = 0$ , then  $\sigma_n \delta g_n + \delta \sigma_n g_n = 0$
- The corresponding variational inequality:

$$\int_{\Omega} \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \cdot \cdot \delta \nabla \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Omega + \int_{\overline{\Gamma}_{c}^{1}} \mathcal{D}_{t}^{T} \delta \underline{\underline{\zeta}} \, d\overline{\Gamma}_{c}^{1} \geq \int_{\Gamma_{f}} \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_{0} \cdot \delta \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Gamma + \int_{\Omega} \underline{f}_{v} \cdot \delta \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Omega, \quad \underline{\underline{u}} \in \mathbb{L}, \delta \underline{\underline{u}} \in \mathbb{K}$$

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• Constrained minimization problem

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• Use optimization theory to convert to

$$\int_{\Omega} \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \cdot \cdot \delta \nabla \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_c^1} \underbrace{\mathbf{C}(\sigma_n, \sigma_t, g_n, \underline{\xi}, \delta \underline{\underline{u}})}_{\text{Contact term}^*} d\Gamma_c^1 = \int_{\Gamma_f} \underline{\underline{\sigma}}_0 \cdot \delta \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Gamma + \int_{\Omega} \underline{f}_v \cdot \delta \underline{\underline{u}} \, d\Omega,$$

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Contact term<sup>\*</sup> is defined on the *potential contact zone*  $\Gamma_c^1$ .

# **Optimization methods**

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- Penalty method
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#### Penalty method

New functional

 $F_p(\mathbf{x}) = F(\mathbf{x}) + \left[ \epsilon \left\langle -g(\mathbf{x}) \right\rangle^2 \right] = F(\mathbf{x}) + \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } g(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0 & non-contact \\ \epsilon g^2(\mathbf{x}), & \text{if } g(\mathbf{x}) < 0 & contact \end{cases}$ 

where  $\epsilon$  is the penalty parameter.

Stationary point must satisfy

 $\nabla F_p(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla F(\mathbf{x}) + 2\epsilon \left\langle -g(\mathbf{x}) \right\rangle \nabla g(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ 

• Solution **tends** to the precise solution as  $\epsilon \to \infty$ 

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Saddle point problem

$$\min_{x} \max_{\lambda} \{\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \lambda)\} \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}^* \longleftarrow \min_{g(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0} \{F(\mathbf{x})\}$$

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$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x},\lambda}\mathcal{L} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}}F(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}g(\mathbf{x}) \\ g(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} = 0 \text{ need to verify } \lambda \le 0$$

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- Augmented Lagrangian method [Hestnes 1969], [Powell 1969], [Glowinski & Le Tallec 1989], [Alart & Curnier 1991], [Simo & Laursen 1992]
  - New functional, augmented Lagrangian

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Optimization methods: example



### Optimization methods: example













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Penalty method

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#### Advantages ©

- simple physical interpretation
- simple implementation
- no additional degrees of freedom
- "mathematically" smooth functional

### Drawbacks 🙁

- practically non-smooth functional
- solution is not exact:
  - too small penalty → large penetration
  - too large penalty → ill-conditioning of the tangent matrix
- user has to choose penalty e properly or automatically and/or adapt during convergence

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- exact solution
- smoother functional (!)
- fully unconstrained

#### Drawbacks 🙁

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- quite sensitive to parameter  $\epsilon$
- need to adjust *e* during convergence

# Augmented Lagrangian with Uzawa algorithm

### Augmented Lagrangian method

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if  $\lambda + 2\epsilon g(\mathbf{x}) \le 0$ , contact if  $\lambda + 2\epsilon g(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ , non-contact

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### "The scream"

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### Friction: methods

- Optimization methods: penalty or augmented Lagrangian method
- Note that the method of Lagrange multipliers cannot be employed here
- Return mapping algorithm for penalty
- Analogy with elasto-plastic formulation problem<sup>[1]</sup>

[1] Curnier "A theory of friction" Int J Solids Struct 20 (1984)

# Friction: Return mapping algorithm

Return mapping algorithm in 2D for the penalty method



[1] Simo J.C. and Hughes T.J.. Computational inelasticity. Springer (2006)

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## Application to contact problems: weak form

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Penalty method

Pressure: 
$$\sigma_n = \epsilon g_n$$
, Shear:  $\underline{\sigma}_t = \begin{cases} \epsilon \underline{g}_{t'} & \text{if stick } |\sigma_t| < \mu |\sigma_n| \\ \mu \epsilon g_n \delta \underline{g}_t / |\delta \underline{g}_t|, & \text{if slip } |\sigma_t| = \mu |\sigma_n| \end{cases}$ 

Contact term

$$C = C(g_n, \underline{g}_t, \delta g_n, \delta \underline{g}_t) = \sigma_n \delta g_n + \underline{\sigma}_t \cdot \delta \underline{g}_t$$

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# Application to contact problems: linearization

• Non-linear equation

$$R(\underline{u},\underline{f}) = 0$$

- Contains  $\delta g_n, \delta g_{\mu}$
- Use Newton-Raphson method
- Initial state at step *i*

$$R(\underline{u}^i, \underline{f}^i) = 0$$

• Should be also satisfied at step i + 1

$$R(\underline{u}^{i+1}, \underline{f}^{i+1}) = R(\underline{u}^{i} + \delta \underline{u}, \underline{f}^{i+1}) = 0$$

Linearize

$$R(\underline{u}^{i} + \delta \underline{u}, \underline{f}^{i+1}) = R(\underline{u}^{i}, \underline{f}^{i+1}) + \frac{\partial R(\underline{u})}{\partial \underline{u}} \delta \underline{u} = 0$$

• Finally

$$\delta \underline{u} = - \underbrace{\left[\frac{\partial R(\underline{u})}{\partial \underline{u}}\right]^{-1}}_{\text{contains } \Delta \delta g_n, \, \Delta \delta g_i} R(\underline{u}^i)$$

• NB: Contact problem does not satisfy conditions of Kantorovich theorem on the convergence of Newton's method.

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# Variation of geometrical quantities

### Normal gap

• First variation enters in the residual vector:

 $\delta g_n = \underline{n} \cdot (\delta \underline{r}_s - \delta \underline{\rho})$ 

Second variation enters in the tangent matrix:

$$\Delta \delta g_n = -\underline{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \left( \delta \frac{\partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\rho}}}{\partial \underline{\xi}}^T \Delta \underline{\xi} + \Delta \frac{\partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\rho}}}{\partial \underline{\xi}}^T \delta \underline{\xi} \right) - \Delta \underline{\xi}^T \underbrace{\mathbb{H}}_{\Xi} \delta \underline{\xi} + g_n \left( \Delta \underline{\xi}^T \underbrace{\mathbb{H}}_{\Xi} + \underline{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \Delta \frac{\partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\rho}}}{\partial \underline{\xi}}^T \right) \underbrace{\mathbb{A}}_{\Xi} \left( \underline{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta \frac{\partial \underline{\boldsymbol{\rho}}}{\partial \underline{\xi}} + \underbrace{\mathbb{H}}_{\Xi} \delta \underline{\xi} \right)$$

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$$\delta_{\tilde{z}} = \left[ \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{\approx} - g_n \underbrace{\mathbf{H}}_{\approx} \right]^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial \underline{\rho}}{\partial \underline{z}} \cdot (\delta \underline{\mathbf{r}}_s - \delta \underline{\rho}) + g_n \underline{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \delta \frac{\partial \underline{\rho}}{\partial \underline{z}} \right)$$

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$$\begin{split} \Delta \delta \, & \stackrel{\circ}{\underset{\sim}{\simeq}} = (g_n \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\boxplus}} - \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\circledast}})^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\sim}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}}} \cdot \left( \delta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\sim}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}}^T \Delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}} + \Delta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\sim}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}}^T \delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\approx}} \right) + \Delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\simeq}}}^T \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\sim}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} \right) \delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}} - g_n \Delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}}^T \left( \frac{n}{\partial \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\vartheta}}} \cdot \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} \right) \delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}} + \Delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\vartheta}} \delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}} \right) - g_n \Delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}}^T \left( \underline{n} \cdot \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} \right) \delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}} + \left[ g_n \left( \delta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\sim}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}} + \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} - \delta g_n \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\lg}} \right] \left( \underline{n} \cdot \delta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}} + \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\natural}} \delta \, \underset{\sim}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}} \right) + \\ + \left[ g_n \left( \Delta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}} + \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\xi}}} 2 \Delta \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}} \right) \cdot \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}}} T \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\sim}{\varepsilon}} - \Delta g_n \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\lg}} \right] \left( \underline{n} \cdot \delta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}}} + \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\natural}} \delta \, \underset{\approx}{\underset{\approx}{\varepsilon}} \right) \right\}$$

# Example

- Use penalty method to enforce Dirichlet BC
- Use penalty method to enforce contact constraints
- First, detect contact elements
- Second, construct updated residual vector and tangent matrix



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nodes under surface

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Relations between the master mesh, maximal detection distance and bucket's dimensions



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Finite Element Analyses of post-buckling behavior of thin-walled structures (self-contact, finite strain plasticity) Zset/Zébulon

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zones where the detection does not work

#### Tyre-road problem

- Tyre 100 000 slave nodes
- Road 200 000 master segments
- Detection 1.5-2 seconds



#### Contact elements for different loads Zset/Zébulon



FE mesh of a tire 550 000 nodes, 105 000 slave nodes Zset/Mesher

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	2 100 000	35 minutes	>300 times
	340 000	1 minute	>10 500 times
	50 000	4 seconds	>160 000 times

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Typical mesh for fretting analysis [L. Sun, H. Proudhon, G. Cailletaud, 2011]  $2D \sim 30\ 000\ DoFs, \ 3D \sim 5\ 000\ 000\ DoFs$ 

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Convergence, but is it a "true" solution ?

Infinite looping, e.g.



- Change of the contact state (contact/non-contact, stick/slip)
- Interplay between stiffness, friction and augmented Lagrangian coefficients<sup>[1]</sup>
- Combination of non-linearities (e.g., plasticity+contact)

Alart P., Journal de Mathématiques Pures et Appliqués 76 (1997)

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Press in 100 increments,  $u_z \sim t^2$ 

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Shift in 100 increments,  $u_z \sim t$ 

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Comparison with: press in 1 increment, shift in 2 increments

Before sticking, every point of the contact interface has to pass through the slip zone. It is impossible when loaded too fast.

# Warning friction!

- For dissimilar materials, the *friction matters* even in normal contact
- The problem is thus path-dependent, the B.C. should be changed slowly



# Warning friction!



[1] A.G. Shvarts, PhD thesis, MINES ParisTech (2019)

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### Shallow ironing test

- Deformable-ondeformable frictional sliding
- Results obtained by different groups<sup>1,2,3,4,5,6</sup> differ significantly
- Local and global friction coefficients may differ



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# Examples of contact problems

## With analytical solution

- ★ linear elasticity
- ★ with/without friction

### From literature

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- $\star$  finite strains
- ★ elasticity / plasticity
- ★ with/without friction

#### New

- ★ multi-contacts
- ★ post-buckling 3D
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## Self-contact problem



*Finite element analysis of a post-buckling behavior of a thin walled tube Collection of non-linearities: buckling instability, self-contact, finite strain plasticity* 



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# Thank you for your attention!

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