Distributional curvatures on discrete surfaces with application to shells

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Approximate extrinsic/intrinsic curvature of non-smooth surfaces











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 $\tau \circ \phi = \frac{1}{J_{B}} \boldsymbol{F} \hat{\tau}$
 $\mu \circ \phi = \nu \circ \phi \times \tau \circ \phi$
 $= \frac{(\boldsymbol{F}^{\dagger})^{\top} \hat{\mu}}{\| \| (\boldsymbol{F}^{\dagger})^{\top} \hat{\mu} \|}$





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 - Distributional Weingarten tensor
 - $\langle \nabla \nu, \sigma \rangle_{\mathscr{T}} = \sum_{T \in \mathscr{T}_h} \int_T \nabla \nu |_T : \sigma \, dx + \sum_{E \in \mathscr{E}_h} \int_E \sphericalangle(\nu_L, \nu_R) \sigma_{\mu\mu} \, ds$
 - Measure jump of normal vector
 - Test function σ symmetric, normal-normal continuous \Rightarrow Hellan-Herrmann-Johnson finite elements
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Lifted distributional curvature

Lifting of distributional Weingarten tensor

Find $\kappa \in M_h^{k-1}$ for \mathscr{T}_h curving order k s.t. for all $\sigma \in M_h^{k-1}$

$$\int_{\mathscr{T}_h} \boldsymbol{\kappa} : \boldsymbol{\sigma} \, d\mathbf{x} = \langle \nabla \nu, \boldsymbol{\sigma} \rangle_{\mathscr{T}}$$

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Let $g \in \operatorname{Reg}_h^k(\mathscr{T})$ and $\varphi \in V_h^{k+1}$

$$\langle (\mathcal{K}\omega)(g), \varphi \rangle = \sum_{V \in \mathscr{V}} \mathcal{K}_V(\varphi, g), \quad \mathcal{K}_V(\varphi, g) = (2\pi - \sum_{T: V \subset T} \triangleleft_V^T(g)) \varphi(V)$$



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BERCHENKO-KOGAN, GAWLIK: Finite element approximation of the Levi-Civita connection and its curvature in two dimensions, Found Comput Math (2022).



 $\operatorname{Reg}_{h}^{k} = \{ \varepsilon \in \mathcal{P}^{k}(\mathscr{T}, \mathbb{R}_{\operatorname{sym}}^{d \times d}) \mid \llbracket t^{\top} \varepsilon \ t \rrbracket_{E} = 0 \text{ for all edges } E \}$





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Analysis and example





$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + (\partial_x f)^2 & \partial_x f \partial_y f \\ \partial_x f \partial_y f & 1 + (\partial_y f)^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad f = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + y^2) - \frac{1}{12}(x^4 + y^4)$$

$$K(g) = \frac{81(1-x^2)(1-y^2)}{(9+x^2(x^2-3)^2+y^2(y^2-3)^2)^2}$$

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 $k = 0 \qquad \qquad k = 1 \qquad \qquad k = 2$

Nonlinear shells





$$\mathcal{W}(u) = \frac{t}{2} \|\boldsymbol{E}(u)\|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^2 + \frac{t^3}{24} \|\boldsymbol{F}^{\mathsf{T}} \nabla(\nu \circ \phi) - \nabla \hat{\nu}\|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^2$$

- $u \dots$ displacement of mid-surface
- t...thickness
- M . . . material tensor

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membrane energy



bending energy





- Lifted curvature difference $\kappa^{\rm diff}$ via three-field formulation

$$\mathcal{L}(u, \boldsymbol{\kappa}^{\text{diff}}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}) = \frac{t}{2} \|\boldsymbol{E}(u)\|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^{2} + \frac{t^{3}}{12} \|\boldsymbol{\kappa}^{\text{diff}}\|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^{2} - \langle f, u \rangle$$
$$+ \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}} \int_{T} \left(\boldsymbol{\kappa}^{\text{diff}} - (\boldsymbol{F}^{T} \nabla(\nu \circ \phi) - \nabla \hat{\nu})\right) : \boldsymbol{\sigma} \, dx$$
$$+ \sum_{E \in \mathcal{E}_{h}} \int_{E} (\sphericalangle(\nu_{L}, \nu_{R}) - \sphericalangle(\hat{\nu}_{L}, \hat{\nu}_{R})) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\mu}} \, ds$$

- Lagrange parameter $\pmb{\sigma} \in M_h^k$ moment tensor
- Eliminate $\kappa^{\mathrm{diff}} o$ two-field formulation in (u, σ)
- N., SCHÖBERL: The Hellan-Herrmann-Johnson and TDNNS method for linear and nonlinear shells, *arXiv:2304.13806*.



Shell problem

Find
$$u \in [V_h^k]^3$$
 and $\sigma \in M_h^{k-1}$ for $(\boldsymbol{H}_{\nu} := \sum_i (\nabla^2 u_i) \nu_i)$

$$\mathcal{L}(u,\sigma) = \frac{t}{2} \|\boldsymbol{E}(u)\|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^2 - \frac{6}{t^3} \|\sigma\|_{\boldsymbol{M}^{-1}}^2 - \langle f, u \rangle$$

+
$$\sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \int_T \sigma : (\boldsymbol{H}_\nu + (1 - \hat{\nu} \cdot \nu) \nabla \hat{\nu}) \, dx$$

+
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Use hybridization to eliminate $\sigma
ightarrow$ recover minimization problem

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Membrane locking



$$\mathcal{W}(u) = t E_{\text{mem}}(u) + t^3 E_{\text{bend}}(u) - f \cdot u, \qquad f = t^3 \tilde{f}$$



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$\frac{1}{t^2} \| \boldsymbol{E}(u_h) \|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^2$





$$\frac{1}{t^2} \|\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\boldsymbol{L}^2}^k \boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{u}_h)\|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^2$$

• Reduced integration for quadrilateral meshes





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- Regge interpolant for triangles
- Connection to MITC shell elements

 $\frac{1}{t^2} \| \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{R}}^k \boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{u}_h) \|_{\boldsymbol{M}}^2$

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Numerical examples













displacement

Pinched cylinder









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