

Shape derivative method for optimal design in conductivity problem

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Introduction

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be open and bounded set.

Two phases each with different isotropic conductivity: α, β
($0 < \alpha < \beta$).

q_α is the prescribed volume of the first phase α ($0 < q_\alpha < |\Omega|$).

$\chi \in L^\infty(\Omega)$ such that $\chi(1 - \chi) = 0$.

Conductivity can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{A}(\chi) := \chi\alpha\mathbf{I} + (1 - \chi)\beta\mathbf{I},$$

where

$$\int_{\Omega} \chi(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha.$$

State function $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ is a solution of the following boundary value problem:

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\mathbf{A} \nabla u) = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

Energy functional:

$$J(\chi) := \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x})u(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x}.$$

Statement of the problem

Optimal design problem:

$$(P) \quad \begin{cases} J(\chi) = \int_{\Omega} f u \, d\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \max \\ \text{s.t. } \chi \in L^{\infty}(\Omega, \{0, 1\}), \quad \int_{\Omega} \chi \, d\mathbf{x} = q_{\alpha}, \\ u \text{ solves (1) with } \mathbf{A} = \chi\alpha\mathbf{I} + (1 - \chi)\beta\mathbf{I}. \end{cases}$$

If solution χ exists for (P) we call it *classical solution*.

Important: For general optimal design problems the classical solutions usually does not exist.

Aim of this talk:

- to present examples of classical solutions on annuli.
- solve problem numerically using shape derivative method.

Relaxed design

For characteristic functions relaxation consists of:

$$(2) \quad \chi \in L^\infty(\Omega, \{0, 1\}) \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \theta \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1]),$$

with

$$\int_{\Omega} \theta \, d\mathbf{x} := q_\alpha.$$

Notion of H-convergence is introduced for conductivity \mathbf{A} .

Effective conductivities:

$$\mathcal{K}(\theta) \subset M_d(\mathbb{R}) \text{ with local fraction } \theta \in [0, 1].$$

Precisely, $A \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ iff there exists sequence of characteristic functions

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \chi_n \xrightarrow{L^\infty^*} \theta \\ \mathbf{A}^n = \chi_n \alpha \mathbf{I} + (1 - \chi_n) \beta \mathbf{I} \xrightarrow{H} A. \end{array} \right.$$

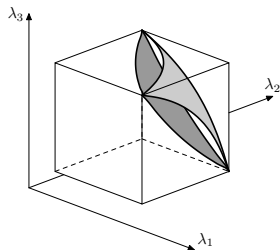
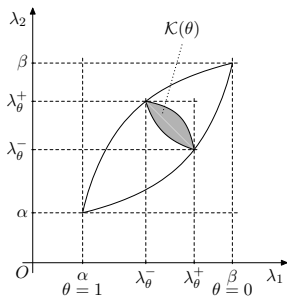
Effective conductivities - set $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$

$\mathcal{K}(\theta)$ is given in terms of eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{\theta}^{-} \leq \lambda_j \leq \lambda_{\theta}^{+} \quad j = 1, \dots, d$$
$$\sum_{j=1}^d \frac{1}{\lambda_j - \alpha} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{\theta}^{-} - \alpha} + \frac{d-1}{\lambda_{\theta}^{+} - \alpha}$$
$$\sum_{j=1}^d \frac{1}{\beta - \lambda_j} \leq \frac{1}{\beta - \lambda_{\theta}^{-}} + \frac{d-1}{\beta - \lambda_{\theta}^{+}},$$

where

$$\lambda_{\theta}^{+} = \theta\alpha + (1-\theta)\beta$$
$$\frac{1}{\lambda_{\theta}^{-}} = \frac{\theta}{\alpha} + \frac{1-\theta}{\beta}.$$



Generalized (convex) problem

Relaxed design:

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ (\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1] \times \text{Sym}_d) \left| \begin{array}{l} \int_{\Omega} \theta \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha, \\ \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{K}(\theta(\mathbf{x})), \text{ a.e. } \mathbf{x} \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

Relaxed problem can be written as:

$$(A) \quad \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} \int_{\Omega} f u \, d\mathbf{x}$$

Unfortunately, \mathcal{A} is not a convex set. To achieve convexity, an enlarged set is introduced:

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ (\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in L^\infty(\Omega, [0, 1] \times \text{Sym}_d) \left| \begin{array}{l} \int_{\Omega} \theta \, d\mathbf{x} = q_\alpha, \\ \lambda_{\theta(\mathbf{x})}^- \mathbf{I} \leq \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \lambda_{\theta(\mathbf{x})}^+ \mathbf{I}, \text{ a.e. } \mathbf{x} \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

and with it

$$(B) \quad \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} \int_{\Omega} f u \, d\mathbf{x}$$

Rewrite \mathbf{B} as a max-min problem

Define $\mathcal{S} := \{ \boldsymbol{\sigma} \in L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^d), -\operatorname{div}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) = f \}$

One can rewrite functional J in terms of fluxes:

$$J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

With notation $\mathcal{C} = \{ (\theta, \mathbf{A}) \mid (\theta, \mathbf{A}^{-1}) \in \mathcal{B} \}$

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{B}} \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \\ &= \max_{(\theta, \mathbf{B}) \in \mathcal{C}} \min_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathcal{S}} \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

Conclusions

Next step is to apply theory of saddle points.

First, one can conclude that σ^* is unique.

Second, instead of solving convex problem B, one can solve the following optimization problem:

$$(I) \quad \begin{cases} I(\theta) = \int_{\Omega} f u \, dx \rightarrow \max \\ \text{s.t. } \theta \in L^{\infty}(\Omega, [0, 1]), \int_{\Omega} \theta = q_{\alpha}, \text{ where } u \text{ satisfies} \\ -\operatorname{div}(\lambda_{\theta}^{-} \nabla u) = f, \quad u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \end{cases}$$

Define $\psi := |\sigma^*|^2$.

Lemma

The necessary and sufficient condition of optimality for solution θ^ of optimal design problem (I) simplifies to the existence of a Lagrange multiplier $c \geq 0$ such that*

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi > c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 1, \\ \psi < c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Spherical symmetry

For spherically symmetric problem such that:

- $\Omega = R(\Omega)$ for any rotation R
- f is radial function

it can be proved that there exists radial solution θ_R^* of (I).

In particular, it can be shown that

$$\max_{(\theta, \mathbf{A}) \in \mathcal{A}} J(\theta, \mathbf{A}) = I(\theta_R^*).$$

Design problems with spherical symmetry were studied for ball:

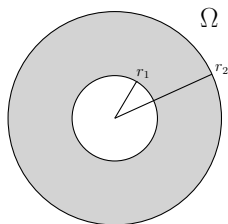
- **Single state equations**

Murat & Tartar (1985) Calculus of Variations and Homogenization
- there exists relaxed solution (θ^*, \mathbf{A}^*) among simple laminates.

- **Multiple state equations**

Vrdoljak, M. (2016) Classical Optimal Design in Two-Phase Conductivity Problems. SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization: 2020-2035

Single state optimal design problem



Single state equation:

$$(4) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\lambda_{\theta}^{-}(x)\nabla u) = 1 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } \lambda_{\theta}^{-}(x) = \left(\frac{\theta(x)}{\alpha} + \frac{1-\theta(x)}{\beta} \right)^{-1}.$$

Optimization problem:

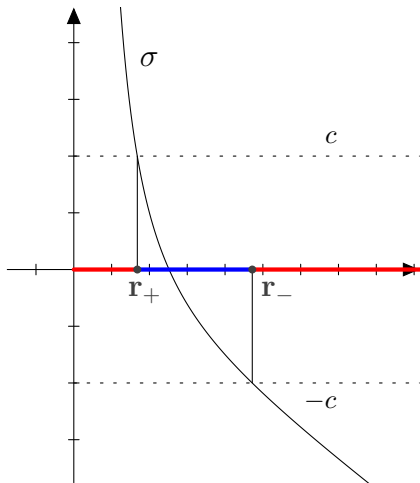
$$\text{For } \theta \in \mathcal{T} := \{ \theta \in L^{\infty}(\Omega, [0, 1]) : \int_{\Omega} \theta \, dx = q_{\alpha} \}$$

$$\Omega = \overline{K}(0, r_2) \setminus K(0, r_1)$$

$$I(\theta) = \int_{\Omega} u \, dx \rightarrow \max$$

One can rewrite (4) in polar coordinates :

$$-\frac{1}{r^{d-1}} \underbrace{(r^{d-1} \lambda_{\theta}^{-} u'(r))'}_{\sigma} = 1 \text{ in } \langle r_1, r_2 \rangle, \quad u(r_1) = u(r_2) = 0.$$



The necessary and sufficient condition of optimality for θ^* states

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma^*| > c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 1, \\ |\sigma^*| < c &\Rightarrow \theta^* = 0. \end{aligned}$$

There are only three possible candidates for optimal design:

- 1) $\theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in [r_1, r_+) \\ 0, & r \in [r_+, r_-) \\ 1, & r \in [r_-, r_2] \end{cases}$
- 2) $\theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & r \in [r_1, r_+) \\ 0, & r \in [r_+, r_2] \end{cases}$
- 3) $\theta^*(r) = \begin{cases} 0, & r \in [r_1, r_-) \\ 1, & r \in [r_-, r_2] \end{cases}$

Simplification to a non-linear system

Necessary and sufficient condition of optimality can also be expressed as a non-linear system (unknowns γ, c, r_+, r_-):

$$(5) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_d \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \theta(\rho) \rho^{d-1} d\rho = q_\alpha \\ u(r_2) = 0 \iff \gamma \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{1}{a(\rho) \rho^{d-1}} \right) d\rho = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\rho}{a(\rho)} d\rho \\ \sigma(r_+) = c, \quad \sigma(r_-) = -c, \quad \text{where } c > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

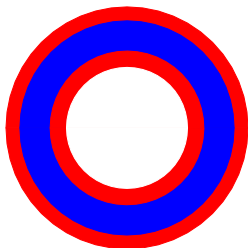
where

$$\sigma(r) = \frac{\gamma}{r^{d-1}} - \frac{r}{d}, \quad \& \quad a(r) = \left(\frac{\theta(r)}{\alpha} + \frac{1 - \theta(r)}{\beta} \right)^{-1}.$$

With this you can easily calculate the shape of domain.

Analytical solution:

$f = 1$, domain Ω is annulus and amount q_α is not scarce one can prove that shape design $\alpha - \beta - \alpha$ is optimal solution.



Remark:

- Problem can be generalized to multi-state problem where functional is given with $J(\chi) = \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \int_{\Omega} f_i u_i$.
- Existence of such solutions is important for any numerical method like shape derivative method.

Shape derivative

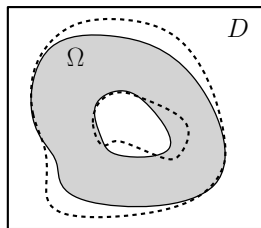
Perturbation of the set Ω is given with

$$\Omega_t = (\text{Id} + t\psi)\Omega$$

where $\psi \in W^{k,\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{R}^d)$

This allows us to define shape derivative:

If t is small (i.e. $\|t\psi\|_{W^{k,\infty}} \ll 1$) mapping $\text{Id} + t\psi$ is homeomorphism.



Definition (Shape derivative)

Let $J = J(\Omega)$ be a shape functional. J is said to be shape differentiable at Ω in direction ψ if

$$J'(\Omega, \psi) := \lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{J(\Omega_t) - J(\Omega)}{t}$$

exists and the mapping $\psi \mapsto J'(\Omega, \psi)$ is linear and continuous. $J'(\Omega, \psi)$ is called the **shape derivative**.

Single state problem (general f)

For optimal design problem:

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shape derivative is given with:

$$\begin{aligned} J'(\Omega, \psi) &= \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{A}(-\operatorname{div}(\psi) + \nabla\psi + \nabla\psi^{\top})\nabla u_0 \cdot \nabla u_0 \, d\mathbf{x} \\ &\quad + \int_{\Omega} 2(\operatorname{div}(\psi)f + \nabla f \cdot \psi)u_0 \, d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

where u_0 is solution of BVP (1) on domain Ω with \mathbf{A} .

Lagrangian method using shape derivative

Choice of vector field ψ :

Vector field $\psi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ can be constructed from variational formulation:

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \psi : \nabla \varphi + \int_{\Omega} \psi \cdot \varphi = J'(\Omega, \varphi), \quad \forall \varphi \in H_0^1(\Omega)$$

With this approach regularity of ψ is higher than usual (L^2) which is particularly good regardless the method.

Observe that thus created ψ is ascent direction for our problem because

$$J(\Omega_t) = J(\Omega) + tJ'(\Omega, \psi) + o(t)$$

and

$$J'(\Omega, \psi) = \|\psi\|_{H^1}^2 > 0 \text{ (by construction)}$$

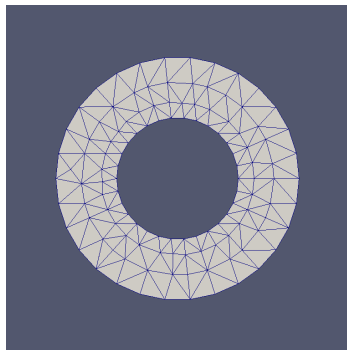
Lagrangian method using shape derivative

It is important to note:

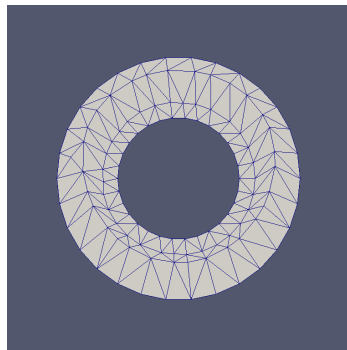
- outer boundaries stays the same
- only boundary between phases is changing.

This is implemented using [movemesh](#) from `freefem++`.

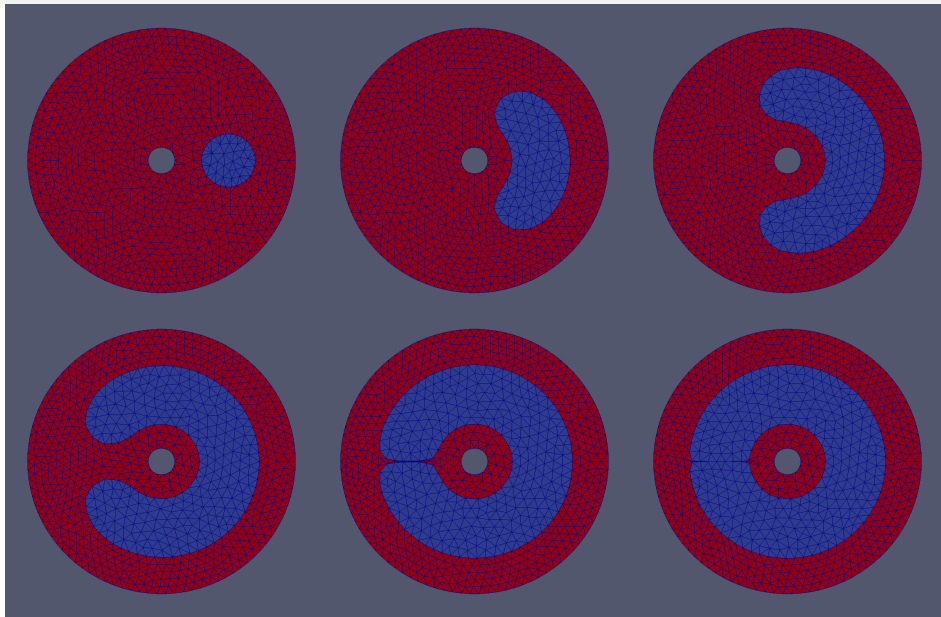
Remeshing is necessary with this approach.



\Rightarrow
one step ϕ_t



Numerical results - simple connected set



Numerical results

