



# Modeling of contact interaction with friction

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# Objective

- Contact problems are highly nonlinear, their solution is always expensive in terms of time and resources
- Development of the algorithm based on the minimization of deformation energy of mechanical system
- Two main spheres of application: simulation of riveting process, modeling of sliding between soil layers



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### **Problem statement**

Two parts are initially separated, distance between them – initial gap



Unknown variables: U – vector of displacements in the contact zone  $U = \arg \min W$ , where W – deformation energy of the mechanical system

Bodies may slide relative to each other according to the dry friction law

# Rigidity matrix (1)





Thus, we substitute the body by its rigidity matrix, having the equality:

$$F = K \cdot U$$

# Rigidity matrix (2)



Loads can be applied in computational nodes in any direction

$$F^{T} = (f_{1x}, f_{1y}, f_{1z}, f_{2x}, f_{2y}, f_{2z}, \cdots, f_{nx}, f_{ny}, f_{nz})$$

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Displacements of nodes are calculated in all direction

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# Main idea

 $\left| W = \frac{1}{2} U^T \cdot K \cdot U \to \min \right|$ 

Energy of deformation:

Forces acting on the system are balanced:

Displacements in normal direction are restricted:

Forces in contact nodes should obey Coulomb law:





 $K \cdot U = F$ 

$$|F_{\tau}| \leq |\mu F_n|$$

### **One-dimensional problem**



Energy of deformation:  $W(x_1, x_2, ..., x_N) = \frac{c}{2} \cdot U^T K U = \frac{c}{2} u_N^2 + c \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} u_i^2 - c \sum_{i=1}^{N} u_i u_{i-1}$ 

where c – spring rate, m – mass





# 2D sliding

- 2D deformable body
- Made of isotropic material
- Moves on the rigid foundation
- Gap between bodies initially is closed



# 2D sliding

• Compute rigidity matrix by mentioned procedure

$$W = \frac{1}{2}U^T \cdot K \cdot U \to \min$$

- All the nodes are contact ones:
- Gap is zero:  $U_y = 0$



• Couloumb-Mohr law is to be satisfied in each node:  $|F_{\tau}| \leq |\mu F_n||$ 

Relative error: 
$$\varepsilon = \frac{\max_{i=1,n} \left| U^{calc} - U^{ANSYS} \right|}{\max_{i=1,n} \left| U^{ANSYS} \right|}$$



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# Dependence of displacements in X-direction on the value of friction coefficient



# 2D sliding

#### Body deformation for mu = 1

#### Body deformation for mu = 0.1





# Rode bending





- Zone of possible contact depends on applied loads
- It is necessary to derive iterative procedure

## Iterative procedure



Equilibrium equations:  $K \cdot U = F$ 

Unknown forces appear:  $K \cdot U = F + f_{contact}$ ,

 $f_{\it contact}$  - reaction force or friction force

Coulomb-Mohr law:  $|F_{\tau}|$ 

$$|F_{\tau}| \leq |\mu F_n|$$

### Iterative procedure



Dependence of displacement in X-direction on the friction coefficient value in the last node



# Dependence of displacement in X-direction on the force value in the last node



#### Dependence of relative error on the force value





### **Deformation shapes**



### Future improvements and investigations

- Sliding: modeling two flexible bodies interaction
  - modeling systems with refined meshes
  - 3D geometry simulation

- Riveting process simulation:
  - modeling 2D and 3D objects
  - optimizing the procedure of defining contact zone



# Thank you!

