
Nonlinear Elasticity: Problem sheet 1

(This sheet will be discussed on Oct 21, 2019)

Exercise 1. Convince yourself that $\{e_i \otimes e_j : i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, d\}$ – the standard basis of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}^m)$ – is indeed a basis.

Exercise 2. Convince yourself that

- $\{e_i \otimes e_j : i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, d\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}^m)$;
- for any $A \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}^m)$, we have

$$A_{ij} = A \cdot (e_i \otimes e_j);$$

- the scalar product are independent of the choice of the orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^d (resp. \mathbb{R}^m): Let $\bar{e}_1, \dots, \bar{e}_n$ and $\tilde{e}_1, \dots, \tilde{e}_m$ denote orthonormal bases of \mathbb{R}^d and \mathbb{R}^m respectively; consider coordinate matrices $A' = (A'_{ij}), B' = (B'_{ij}) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and the linear mappings

$$A := \sum_{ij} A'_{ij}(\bar{e}_i \otimes \bar{e}_j), \quad B := \sum_{ij} B'_{ij}(\tilde{e}_i \otimes \tilde{e}_j);$$

note that in general $A_{ij} \neq A'_{ij}$ and show that $A \cdot B = \sum_{ij} A'_{ij} B'_{ij}$.

Exercise 3. • Consider $f : \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(A) := A_{11}^3 + A_{nm}^2$. Compute $\nabla f(A)$.

- Consider $f : \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(A) := \det A$. Compute $\nabla f(\text{Id})$, where Id denotes the identity matrix.
- Let $g_1 : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, g_2 : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be differentiable, set $f(x) := g_1(x) \cdot g_2(x)$ and compute $\nabla f(x)$.
- Let $g_1 : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, and $g_2 : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuously differentiable. Define $f(x) := g_2(g_1(x))$ and express $Df(x)$ (resp. $\nabla f(x)$) in terms Dg_1, Dg_2 (resp. ∇g_2) in a coordinate wise and coordinate-free format.

$$\begin{aligned} Df(x)h &= Dg_2(g_1(x))[Dg_1(x)[h]] = \nabla g_2(g_1(x)) \cdot (Dg_1(x)h) \\ &= \partial_i g_2(g_1(x))(Dg_1(x))_{ij} h_j \\ \nabla f(x) &= Dg_1(x)^t \nabla g_2(g_1(x)). \end{aligned}$$

Plausibility test: $g_1(x) = Ax$ with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d}$, $g_2(y) = a \cdot y$ with $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $f(x) = a \cdot Ax = A^t a \cdot x$, and thus $\nabla f(x) = A^t a = (Dg_1)^t \nabla g_2$.

Exercise 4 (Outer unit normal). Let Ω be C^1 -domain, $x \in \partial\Omega$. Let (f, U) be as in Definition ?? (b), and (ϕ, V) a parametrization at x . Show that the outer unit normal $\nu(x)$ at x is unique and given by $\nu(x) = \frac{\nabla f(x)}{|\nabla f(x)|}$. Show that $\text{span}(\nu(x)) = \{v \in \mathbb{R}^d : D\phi(y)^t v = 0\}$ where $y = \phi^{-1}(x)$.

Exercise 5 (Divergence theorem). Let $V \subset \mathbb{R}^{d-1}$ and $h \in C^1(\bar{V})$. Consider $\Omega := \{x = (x', x_d) : x' \in V, x_d < h(x')\}$ and set $\Gamma := \text{graph}(h) \subset \partial\Omega$.

(a) Let $u : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous, bounded, and compactly supported. Show that

$$\int_{\Gamma} u d\mathcal{H}^{d-1} = \int_V u(x', h(x')) \rho(x') dx',$$

for some $\rho : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and identify ρ .

(b) Compute the outer unit normal to $\Gamma \subset \partial\Omega$ for $x \in \Gamma$.

(c) Let $u \in C_c^1(\mathbb{R}^d; \mathbb{R}^d)$. Prove that

$$\int_{\Omega} \text{div } u dx = \int_{\Gamma} u \cdot \nu d\mathcal{H}^{d-1}.$$

Exercise 6 (Orientation preserving implies local injectivity). Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ open, $\varphi \in C^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d)$.

- Show: If $\det D\varphi(x) \neq 0$ for some $x \in \Omega$, then there exists an open neighbourhood $U \subset \Omega$ of x and $\varphi : U \rightarrow \varphi(U)$ is a C^1 -diffeomorphism.
 - Find an example for a non-injective $\varphi \in C^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^d)$ satisfying $\det D\varphi > 0$ in Ω .
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