Rapid Nonlinear Topology Optimization using Precomputed Reduced-Order Models

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Motivation

- For industry-scale design problems, topology optimization is a beneficial tool that is *time and resource intensive*
 - Large number of calls to structural solver usually required
 - Each structural call is expensive, especially for nonlinear 3D High-Dimensional Models (HDM)
- Use a Reduced-Order Model (ROM) as a surrogate for the structural model in a material topology optimization loop
 - Large speedups over HDM realized



0-1 Material Topology Optimization

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{\boldsymbol{\chi} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_{el}}}{\text{minimize}} & \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\chi}), \boldsymbol{\chi}) \\ \text{subject to} & \mathbf{c}(\mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\chi}), \boldsymbol{\chi}) \leq 0 \end{array}$$

• **u** (structural displacements) is implicitly defined as a function of χ through the HDM equation

$$\mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{f}^{ext}$$

$$\mathbb{C}^e = \mathbb{C}_0^e \boldsymbol{\chi}_e \qquad \rho^e = \rho_0^e \boldsymbol{\chi}_e \qquad \boldsymbol{\chi}_e = \begin{cases} 0, & e \notin \Omega^* \\ 1, & e \in \Omega^* \end{cases}$$

• General nonlinear setting considered (geometric and material nonlinearities)



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Reduced-Order Model

- Model Order Reduction (MOR) assumption
 - State vector lies in low-dimensional subspace defined by a Reduced-Order Basis (ROB) $\mathbf{\Phi} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times k_{\mathbf{u}}}$

 $\mathbf{u}\approx \Phi \mathbf{y}$

•
$$k_{\mathbf{u}} \ll N$$

• N equations, $k_{\mathbf{u}}$ unknowns

$$\mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{f}^{ext}$$

• Galerkin projection

$$\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{ext}$$



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NL ROM Bottleneck - Internal Force

 $\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{ext}$





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NL ROM Bottleneck - Tangent Stiffness

$$\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{ext}$$



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Approximation of reduced internal force, $\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y})$

- For general nonlinear problems, high-dimensional quantities cannot be precomputed since they change at every iteration
- For *polynomial* nonlinearities, there is an opportunity for precomputation
- Approach
 - Approximate $\mathbf{f}^r = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y})$ by polynomial via Taylor series
 - We choose a third-order series
 - Exact representation of reduced internal force for *St. Venant-Kirchhoff* materials
 - Precompute coefficient tensors
 - Online operations will only involve *small* quantities
 - Remove online bottleneck
 - Pay price in offline phase



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Taylor Series of $\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y})$

Consider Taylor series expansion of $\mathbf{f}^r(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{\text{int}}(\mathbf{\Phi}\mathbf{y})$ about $\bar{\mathbf{y}}$

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}(\mathbf{y}) &\approx \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \cdot (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{j} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^{2} \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j} \partial \mathbf{y}_{k}}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \cdot (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{j} (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{k} \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \frac{\partial^{3} \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j} \partial \mathbf{y}_{k} \partial \mathbf{y}_{l}}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \cdot (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{j} (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{k} (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{l} \end{split}$$



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Reduced Derivatives

- Reduced derivatives computable by:
 - Projection of *full* order derivatives
 - Directly via finite differences

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{i} &= \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) &= \Phi_{pi}\mathbf{f}_{p}^{\text{int}}(\Phi\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \\ \beta_{ij} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) &= \Phi_{pi}\Phi_{qj}\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{p}^{\text{int}}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{q}}(\Phi\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \\ \gamma_{ijk} &= \frac{\partial^{2}\mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}\partial \mathbf{y}_{k}}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) &= \Phi_{pi}\Phi_{qj}\Phi_{rk}\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{p}^{\text{int}}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{q}\partial \mathbf{u}_{r}}(\Phi\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \\ \omega_{ijkl} &= \frac{\partial^{3}\mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}}{\partial \mathbf{y}_{j}\partial \mathbf{y}_{k}\partial \mathbf{y}_{l}}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}) &= \Phi_{pi}\Phi_{qj}\Phi_{rk}\Phi_{sl}\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}_{p}^{\text{int}}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{q}\partial \mathbf{u}_{r}\partial \mathbf{u}_{s}}(\Phi\bar{\mathbf{y}}) \end{aligned}$$

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Reduced internal force

Reduced internal force becomes

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{f}_i^r(\mathbf{y}) &= \alpha_i + \beta_{ij}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_j \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{ijk}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_j (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_k \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \omega_{ijkl}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_j (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_k (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_l, \end{split}$$

which only depends on quantities scaling with the *reduced* dimension.



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Reduced internal force - material dependence

- As written, the material properties for a given material are *baked into* the polynomial coefficients
- For notational simplicity, we consider two material parameters: ρ (density) and η

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\alpha} &= \boldsymbol{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \boldsymbol{\beta}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) \\ \boldsymbol{\gamma} &= \boldsymbol{\gamma}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) \\ \boldsymbol{\omega} &= \boldsymbol{\omega}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\eta}) \end{split}$$

- In the context of 0-1 topology optimization, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \omega$ need to be recomputed at each new distribution of ρ, η
 - Extremely expensive destroy all speedup potential

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Material Representation

- Recall the material parameters are spatial distributions, i.e. $\rho = \rho(\mathbf{X})$ and $\eta = \eta(\mathbf{X})$
- Define admissible distributions: $\{\phi_i^{\rho}\}_{i=1}^n, \, \{\phi_i^{\eta}\}_{i=1}^n$
 - Require

$$\rho(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\phi}_i^{\rho}(\mathbf{X})\xi_i$$
$$\eta(\mathbf{X}) = \boldsymbol{\phi}_i^{\eta}(\mathbf{X})\xi_i$$

- Many possible choices admissible distributions
 - Here, collected via *configuration snapshots*



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Reduced internal force - material dependence

- Suppose the coefficient matrices depend *linearly* on material parameters
 - Can be accomplished by carefully choosing parameters
 (i.e. λ, μ instead of E, ν) or linearization via Taylor series
- Use material assumptions in reduced internal force

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}_{i}^{r}(\mathbf{y}) &= \sum_{a} \alpha_{i} \left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\eta}\right) \xi_{a} \\ &+ \sum_{a} \beta_{ij} \left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\eta}\right) \xi_{a}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{j} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a} \gamma_{ijk} \left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\eta}\right) \xi_{a}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{j} (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{k} \\ &+ \frac{1}{6} \sum_{a} \omega_{ijkl} \left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\rho}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{a}^{\eta}\right) \xi_{a}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{j} (\mathbf{y} - \bar{\mathbf{y}})_{k} \end{aligned}$$

• Quantities in blue can be precomputed offline M. J. Zahr and C. Farhat

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ROM Pre-computation Approach

$$\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{ext}$$

Advantages

- Only need to solve small, cubic nonlinear system online
- Large speedups possible without hyperreduction, $\mathcal{O}(10^2)$
- Amenable to 0-1 material topology optimization

Disadvantages

- Offline cost scales as $\mathcal{O}(n_{\alpha} \cdot n_{el} \cdot k_{\mathbf{u}}^4)$
- Offline storage scales as $\mathcal{O}(n_{\alpha} \cdot k_{\mathbf{u}}^4)$
- Online storage scales as $\mathcal{O}(k_{\mathbf{u}}^4)$
- Can only vary material distribution in the subspace defined by the material snapshot vectors

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Reduced Topology Optimization

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• **y** is implicitly defined as a function of $\pmb{\xi}$ through the ROM equation

$$\mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{int}(\mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{f}^{ext}$$

which can be computed efficiently



Wing Box Design

Problem Setup

- Neo-Hookean material
- 90,799 tetrahedral elements
- 29,252 nodes, 86,493 dof
- Static simulation with load applied in 10 increments
- Loads: Bending (X- and Y- axis), Twisting, Self-Weight
- ROM size: $k_{\mathbf{u}} = 5$



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40 Ribs



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Simulation Results

- Single static simulation
- Training for ROMs: single static simulation (with load stepping) with *all* ribs
- Reproductive simulation

	Offline (s)	Online (s)	Speedup	Error (%)
HDM	-	674	-	-
ROM	0.988	412	1.64	0.002
ROM-precomp	6,724	1.19	566	5.54

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Optimization Setup

- Minimize structural weight
- Constraint on maximum vertical horizontal displacements
- 41 Material Snapshots
 - 40 possible ribs
 - two spars jointly

Material Snapshots



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Optimization Iterates



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Deformed Configuration (Optimal Solution)

	Initial Guess	Optimal Solution
Structural Weight	$4.67 imes 10^3$	$3.02 imes 10^3$
Constraint Violation	0	7.10×10^{-23}



Conclusion and Future Work

- New method for material topology optimization using reduced-order models
 - Applicable in nonlinear setting
 - $\mathcal{O}(10^2)$ speedup over HDM
- Strongly enforce manufacturability constraints
 - selection of material snapshots
- Address large problems
- Investigate extending method to more sophisticated topology optimization techniques



