

Shape optimization under convexity constraint

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What about the case $\mathcal{F}_{ad} \subset \{\text{convex domains of } \mathbb{R}^N\}$.

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Examples II

$$\min_{K \text{ convex}, K \subset D} [P(K) + F(K)]$$

where $F(K) = f(|K|, \lambda_1(K))$ for some smooth function $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

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where $G(K) = g(\lambda_1(K))$.

Without convexity constraint

Theorem

Let Ω be a *quasi-minimizer* of the perimeter, i.e.

$$P(\Omega) \leq P(\Omega') + Cr^{N-1+2\alpha}, \quad \forall \Omega' \text{ such that } \Omega \Delta \Omega' \Subset B_r(x)$$

for all x and r small.

Then it exists $\Sigma_{sing} \subset \partial\Omega$ such that

$$\partial\Omega \setminus \Sigma_{sing} \text{ is } C^{1,\alpha}$$

$$\dim_{\mathcal{H}} \Sigma_{sing} \leq N - 8$$

With convexity constraint

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Theorem (L.-Novruzi-Pierre 2011)

$N = 2$. The solutions of the first order optimality condition are $C^{1,1}$.

Theorem (L. 2013)

$N \geq 2$. The minimizers are $C^{1,1}$.

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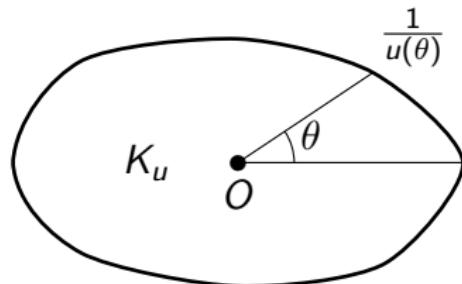
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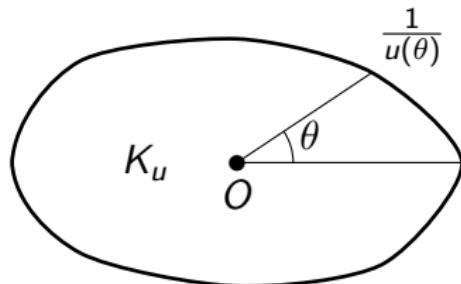


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Then K_u convex $\Leftrightarrow u'' + u \geq 0$.

Linear formulation of the convexity

There is a one-to-one correspondance

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{ \text{Convex } 2d \text{ sets} \} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \{ v > 0 \in H^1(\mathbb{T}) \text{ such that } v'' + v \geq 0 \} \\ K_u & \longmapsto & u \end{array}$$

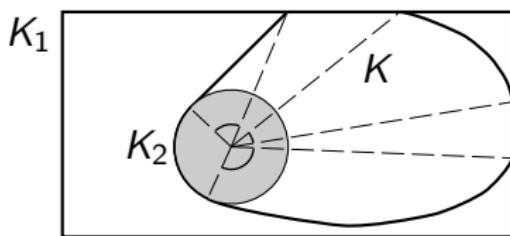
Reformulation of the problem

$$\min_{\substack{K \in \mathcal{F}_{ad} \\ K \text{ convex}}} J(K) \quad \min_{\substack{u \in S_{ad} \\ u'' + u \geq 0}} \left\{ j(u) := J(K_u) \right\}$$

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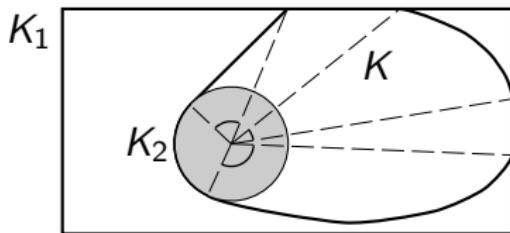
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Proof of the regularity

$$\min \left\{ j(u) = P(K_u) + F(K_u), \ u'' + u \geq 0 \right\}.$$

- Write the first optimality condition :

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- Compare the signs of the singular measures in the optimality condition.

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Regularity in calculus of variations

$$\min \left\{ \int_{\Omega} L(x, u(x), \nabla u(x)), \quad u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \right\}$$

L convex in ∇u .

Model case with convexity constraint

$$\min \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 + \int_{\Omega} f u, \quad u \in H_0^1(\Omega) \cap \mathcal{C} \right\}$$

où $\mathcal{C} = \{u : \overline{\Omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad u \text{ convex}\}.$

Theorem (Caffarelli-Carlier-Lions 2013)

If f is in L^p ($p > N$), and u is a minimizer, then u is $C^{1,1-N/p}$.

Proof of the regularity

$$\min\{P(K) + F(K), K \text{ convex }\}.$$

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- Prove the estimate

$$|F(K) - F(K_\varepsilon)| \leq C|K \setminus K_\varepsilon|.$$

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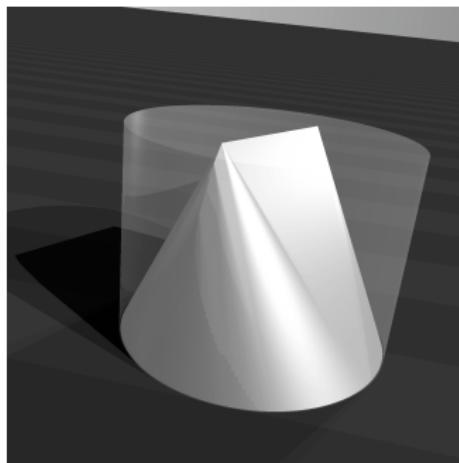
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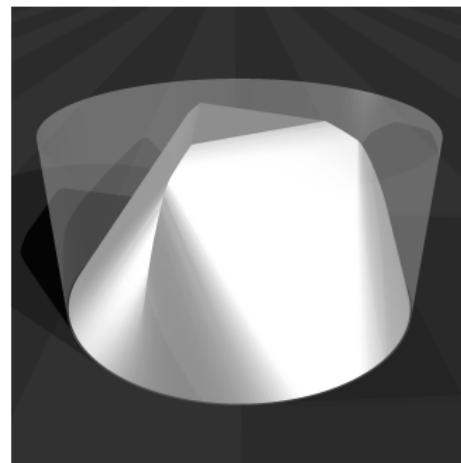
Newton's problem of the body of minimal resistance

$$\min \left\{ \int_D \frac{1}{1 + |\nabla f|^2} \mid f : \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2, |x| \leq 1\} \rightarrow [0, M], f \text{ concave} \right\}$$

Numerical computations : Lachand-Robert, Oudet, 2004 :



$M = 3/2$



$M = 1$

Example IV

Mahler conjecture

Conjecture : is the cube $Q_N := [-1, 1]^N$ solution of

$$\min \left\{ M(K) := |K| |K^\circ|, \ K \text{ convex of } \mathbb{R}^N, \ -K = K \right\} ?$$

$$K^\circ := \left\{ \xi \in \mathbb{R}^N, \ \langle \xi, x \rangle \leq 1, \ \forall x \in K \right\}.$$

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Is the disk $D \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ solution of :

$$\min_{K \text{ convex of } \mathbb{R}^3, P(K)=P_0} \text{Cap}(K) \quad ?$$

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- If $\mu = 0$: the solution is **the big disk** (maximizes the perimeter).
- If “ $\mu = +\infty$ ” : the solution is **the small disk** (minimizes the area).
- What happens if $\mu \in (0, +\infty)$?

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Corollary

If K is a minimizer and $\omega \subset \partial K$ is C^2 , then the Gauss curvature vanishes on ω .

Application :

- Pólya-Szegö's conjecture : $F(K) = \text{Cap}(K)^2$.

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2d result

$$\min_{u''+u \geq 0} j(u) := J(K_u)$$

Theorem (L., Novruzi, Pierre, 2011)

Let u be a minimizer. We assume j smooth and,

$j''(u)(v, v) < 0$, if v has a small enough support.

Then $u'' + u$ is a sum of Dirac masses.

Applications :

- $\min \left\{ \mu|K| - P(K), \ K \text{ convex}, \ D(a) \subset K \subset D(b) \right\}$
- Mahler in \mathbb{R}^2 (with E. Harrell, A. Henrot) : $[-1, 1]^2$.

2d result

Theorem (L., Novruzi, Pierre, 2011)

Let K_u be convex. Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist C such that

$$|\lambda_1''(K_u)(v, v)| \leq C \|v\|_{H^{\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon}}^2.$$

Applications :

- $\min \left\{ \mu \lambda_1(K) - P(K), \ K \text{ convex } \subset D, \ |K| = V_0 \right\}$

Perspectives - Open problems

- $\max\{\lambda_1(K) / K \text{ convex} \subset D, |K| = V_0\}$ in dimension 2 ?
- Polyhedra in dimension ≥ 3 ?