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Backward-Euler method for the structural mechanics problem with Hookean springs only (no dashpots)

$$M_k \frac{\underline{U}_k(t) - \underline{U}_k(t - \Delta t)}{\Delta t} = \sum_{j \in N(k)} \overline{T}_{jk}(t) \frac{\underline{X}_j(t) - \underline{X}_k(t)}{\|\underline{X}_j(t) - \underline{X}_k(t)\|}$$

$$\frac{\underline{X}_k(t) - \underline{X}_k(t - \Delta t)}{\Delta t} = \underline{U}_k(t)$$

$$k = 1 \dots n$$

where

$$\overline{T}_{jk}(t) = S_{jk} \left(\|\underline{X}_j(t) - \underline{X}_k(t)\| - R_{jk}^0 \right)$$

Solve for $\dots \underline{X}_k(t) \dots$, $\dots \underline{U}_k(t) \dots$

by Newton's method

Eliminating $\underline{U}_k(t)$, we can put the above problem in the form

$$(*) \quad M_k (\underline{X}_k - \underline{Z}_k) - (\Delta t)^2 \sum_{j \in N(k)} T_{jk} \frac{\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k}{\|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\|} = 0$$

where $\underline{X}_k = \underline{X}_k(t)$ (unknown)

$$\underline{Z}_k = \underline{X}_k(t - \Delta t) + \Delta t \underline{U}_k(t - \Delta t) \quad (\text{known})$$

and

$$T_{jk} = S_{jk} (\|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\| - R_{jk}^0)$$

We now have a system of $3n$ equations in the $3n$ unknowns $\underline{X}_1 \dots \underline{X}_n$

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We solve the above system by Newton's method. Given a guess $\underline{X}_k^{(m)}$ we seek

$$\dots \delta \underline{X}_k^{(m)} \dots$$

so that

$$\underline{X}_k^{(m+1)} = \underline{X}_k^{(m)} + \delta \underline{X}_k^{(m)}$$

substitutes (*) to first order in $\dots \delta \underline{X}_k^{(m)} \dots$

We need to evaluate δT_{jk} and

$$\delta \frac{\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k}{\|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\|} :$$

We have

$$\delta T_{jk} = S_{jk} \delta \|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\|$$

$$= S_{jk} \frac{\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k}{\|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\|} \cdot (\delta \underline{X}_j - \delta \underline{X}_k)$$

and therefore

$$\delta T_{jk} \frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} = \int_{jk} P_{jk} (\delta \underline{x}_j - \delta \underline{x}_k)$$

where \int_{jk} is the 3x3 matrix

representing projection onto the link direction

$$P_{jk} = \left(\frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} \right) \left(\frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} \right)^T$$

Note that $P_{jk} = P_{kj}$

Also

$$\delta \frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} =$$

$$\frac{\delta \underline{x}_j - \delta \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} - \frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|^2} \delta \|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|$$

$$= \frac{\delta \underline{x}_j - \delta \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} - \frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|^2} \cdot \frac{\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} \cdot (\delta \underline{x}_j - \delta \underline{x}_k)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\|\underline{x}_j - \underline{x}_k\|} (\mathbf{I}_3 - P_{jk}) (\delta \underline{x}_j - \delta \underline{x}_k)$$

Note that $\mathbf{I}_3 - P_{jk}$ is the 3×3 matrix representing projection onto the plane perpendicular to the link (j, k) .

Thus

$$\delta \left(T_{jk} \frac{\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k}{\|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\|} \right)$$

$$= \left(S_{jk} P_{jk} + \frac{T_{jk}}{\|\underline{X}_j - \underline{X}_k\|} (I_3 - P_{jk}) \right) (\delta \underline{X}_j - \delta \underline{X}_k)$$

stretching

rotation

Now we substitute

$$\underline{X}_k^{(m)} + \delta \underline{X}_k^{(m)} \quad \text{into } (*)$$

and get

$$M_k (X_k^{(m)} - Z_k) - (\Delta t)^2 \sum_{j \in N(k)} T_{jk}^{(m)} \frac{X_j^{(m)} - X_k^{(m)}}{\|X_j^{(m)} - X_k^{(m)}\|}$$

$$+ M_k \delta X_k^{(m)}$$

$$- (\Delta t)^2 \sum_{j \in N(k)} \left(S_{jk} P_{jk}^{(m)} + \frac{T_{jk}^{(m)}}{\|X_j^{(m)} - X_k^{(m)}\|} (I_3 - P_{jk}^{(m)}) \right)$$

$$(\delta X_j^{(m)} - \delta X_k^{(m)}) = 0$$

This is of the form

$$\sum_{j=1}^n A_{kj}^{(m)} \underline{X}_j^{(m)} = \underline{B}_k^{(m)}$$

for $k=1 \dots n$, where

$$\underline{B}_k^{(m)} = - \left(M_k \left(\underline{X}_k^{(m)} - \underline{z}_k \right) \right.$$

$$\left. - (\Delta t)^2 \sum_{j \in N(k)} T_{jk}^{(m)} \frac{\underline{X}_j^{(m)} - \underline{X}_k^{(m)}}{\| \underline{X}_j^{(m)} - \underline{X}_k^{(m)} \|} \right)$$

(Note that if $\underline{B}_k^{(m)} = 0$ for all k , the problem is solved.) For $j \neq k$

$$A_{kj}^{(m)} = A_{jk}^{(m)} =$$

$$- (\Delta t)^2 \left(S_{jk} P_{jk}^{(m)} + \frac{T_{jk}^{(m)}}{\| \underline{X}_j^{(m)} - \underline{X}_k^{(m)} \|} (I - P_{jk}^{(m)}) \right)$$

$$A_{kk}^{(m)} = M_k I_3 - \sum_{j=1}^n A_{jk}^{(m)}$$

code to setup the matrix A

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DX = X(jj, :) - X(kk, :)
R = sqrt(sum(DX.^2, 2))
DXN = DX ./ [R, R, R]
T = S .* (R - Rzero)
TR = T ./ R

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A = $\text{diag}(M3)$ % diagonal matrix with each M repeated 3 times on diagonal

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for l = 1:lmax
    P = (DXN(l, :))' * DXN(l, :)
    AA = -(dt12) * (S(l) * P + TR(l) * (eye(3) - P))
    j = (3 * jj(l) - 2) : (3 * jj(l))
    k = (3 * kk(l) - 2) : (3 * kk(l))
    A(j, k) = AA
    A(k, j) = AA
    A(j, j) = A(j, j) - AA
    A(k, k) = A(k, k) - AA
end

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code to set up M3 during initialization :

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M3 = zeros(3 * n, 1)
for j = 1:n
    M3(3 * j - 2 : 3 * j) = M(j)
end

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