

Modeling Friction and Contact in Chrono

Theoretical Background







Things Covered

- Friction and contact, understanding the problem at hand
- The penalty approach
- The complementarity approach



Mass × Acceleration = Force





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• Coulomb friction coefficient - μ



 $m\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F}_f + \mathbf{N}$

 $||\mathbf{F}_{f}|| \leq \mu ||\mathbf{N}||$ Reflect on this: friction force can assume a bunch of values (as long as they're smaller than $\mu \times N$ though)





Additive Manufacturing (3D SLS Printing)





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Two main approaches: penalty & complementarity



General Comments, Penalty Approach



- Approach commonly used in handling granular material
 - Called "Discrete Element Method"
- The "Penalty" approach works well for sphere-to-sphere and sphere-to-plane scenarios
 - Deformable body mechanics used to characterize what happens under these scenarios
 - Standard reference: K. L. Johnson, Contact Mechanics, University Press, Cambridge, 1987.
- Methodology subsequently grafted to general dynamics problem of rigid bodies arbitrary geometry
 - When they collide, a fictitious spring-damper element is placed between the two bodies
 - Sometimes spring & damping coefficient based on continuum theory mentioned above
 - Sometimes values are guessed (calibration) based on experimental data

The Penalty Method, Taxonomy



- Depending on the normal relative velocity between bodies that experience a collision and their material properties, if there is no relative angular velocity, the collision is
 - Elastic, if the contact induced deformation is reversible and independent of displacement rate
 - Viscoelastic, if the contact induced deformation is irreversible, but the deformation is dependent on the displacement rate
 - Plastic, if collision leaves an involved body permanently deformed but the deformation of body is independent of the displacement rate
 - Viscoplastic, if impact is irreversible and similar to the viscoelastic contact but deformation depends on the displacement rate
- According to the dependency of the normal force on the overlap and the displacement rate, the force schemes can be subdivided into
 - Continuous potential models (like Lennard-Jones, for instance)
 - Linear viscoelastic models (simple, used extensively, what we use here)
 - Non-linear viscoelastic models
 - Hysteretic models (see papers of L. Vu-Quoc, in "DEM Further Reading" slide)



The Penalty Method in Chrono, Nuts and Bolts

• Method relies on a *record (history)* of tangential displacement δ_t to model static friction (see figure at right)





The Penalty Method in Chrono, Nuts and Bolts



If $|F_t| > \mu |F_n|$ then scale $|\delta_t|$ so that $|F_t| = \mu |F_n|$

Direct Shear Analysis via Granular Dynamics

[using LAMMPS/LIGGGHTS and Chrono]



- 1800 uniform spheres randomly packed
- Particle Diameter: D = 5 mm
- Shear Speed: 1 mm/s
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Wave propagation in ordered granular material







Penalty Method – the Pros



- Backed by large body of literature and numerous validation studies
- No increase in the size of the problem
 - This is unlike the "complementarity" approach, discussed next
- Can accommodate shock wave propagation
 - Can't do w/ "complementarity" approach since it's a pure "rigid body" solution
- Easy to implement
 - Entire numerical solution decoupled
 - Easy to scale up to large problems
 - Parallel-computing friendly run in parallel on per contact basis
 - Memory communication intensive

Penalty Method – Cons



- 1. Numerical stability requires small integration time steps
 - Long simulation times
- 2. Choice of integration time step strongly influences results
- 3. Sensitive wrt information provided by the collision detection engine
- 4. There is some hand-waving when it comes to arbitrary shapes and the fact that the friction force is a multi-valued function



DEM, Further Reading

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The "Complementarity" Approach aka Differential Variational Inequality (DVI) Method

Two Shapes, and the Distance [Gap Function]



- Notation: ∂A represents set of points making up the boundary of body A
- Shape body A: collection of points S with $\mathbf{r}_A^S = \mathbf{r}_A + \mathbf{A}_A \bar{\mathbf{s}}_A^S$, $\bar{\mathbf{s}}_A^S \in \partial A$
- Shape body B: collection of points S with $\mathbf{r}_B^S = \mathbf{r}_B + \mathbf{A}_B \bar{\mathbf{s}}_B^S$, $\bar{\mathbf{s}}_B^S \in \partial B$
- Signed distance function in a given configuration \boldsymbol{q}_A and \boldsymbol{q}_B

$$\Phi(\mathbf{q}_A(t), \mathbf{q}_B(t)) \equiv \min_{\bar{\mathbf{s}}_A^S \in \partial A, \ \bar{\mathbf{s}}_B^S \in \partial B} ||\mathbf{r}_A^S - \mathbf{r}_B^S||_2$$

• Contact when distance function is zero

 $\Phi(\mathbf{q}_A(t^\star), \mathbf{q}_B(t^\star)) = 0$





Body A – Body B Contact Scenario



Defining the Normal and Tangential Forces

- When a contact occurs: point of contact and local reference frame identified. Latter defined as follows:
 - $-\mathbf{u}_i$ and \mathbf{w}_i are two mutually perpendicular unit vectors in the tangent plan at the contact point
 - Unit vector \mathbf{n}_i defines the normal direction in the local reference frame
- A normal force appears along the direction normal to the plane of contact
 - Magnitude of the force is $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}$. Specifically,

$$\mathbf{F}_{i,N} = \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \mathbf{n}_i$$

- A friction force appears in the tangent plane
 - Has two components along the axes \mathbf{u}_i and \mathbf{w}_i : $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u}$ and $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}$, respectively. Specifically,

$$\mathbf{F}_{i,T} = \widehat{\gamma}_{i,u} \mathbf{u}_i + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w} \mathbf{w}_i$$

• NOTE: The point of contact, \mathbf{n}_i , \mathbf{u}_i , and \mathbf{w}_i are obtained at the end of the collision detection task, which is executed at the beginning of each time step





DVI-Based Methods: The Contact Model

- A contact is modeled by one inequality constraints, which states that either the distance between two bodies is greater than zero $\Phi_i(\mathbf{q}) > 0$, in which case the normal force is zero $\hat{\gamma}_{i,n} = 0$, or vice-versa; i.e., if the distance is zero, the contact force is nonzero.
 - Condition above captured in the following complementarity condition:

$$\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \ge 0, \quad \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}) \ge 0, \quad \Phi_i(\mathbf{q})\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} = 0,$$

- Another way to state the complementarity condition:

$$0 \le \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \quad \perp \quad \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}) \ge 0$$





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DVI-Based Methods: The Friction Model

• The friction model considered is Coulomb's:

$$\mu_{i}\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \geq \sqrt{\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u}^{2} + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}^{2}}$$
$$\mathbf{F}_{i,T}^{T} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{i,T} = -\|\mathbf{F}_{i,T}\| \|\mathbf{v}_{i,T}\|$$
$$\mathbf{v}_{i,T}\| \left(\mu_{i}\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} - \sqrt{\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u}^{2} + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}^{2}}\right) =$$



- First condition: friction force is within the friction cone
- Second condition: friction force and tangential velocity between two bodies at point of contact are collinear and of opposite direction

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- The third condition captures the stick-slip condition. If the velocity is greater than zero, it means that the friction force saturated; i.e., $\mu_i \hat{\gamma}_{i,n} = \sqrt{\hat{\gamma}_{i,u}^2 + \hat{\gamma}_{i,w}^2}$; this is the sliding scenario. Conversely, if the bodies stick to each other, then the relative tangential velocity is zero, $\mathbf{v}_{i,T} = \mathbf{0}_3$, and the friction force is not saturated $\mu_i \hat{\gamma}_{i,n} > \sqrt{\hat{\gamma}_{i,u}^2 + \hat{\gamma}_{i,w}^2}$.

Coulomb's Model Posed as the Solution of an Optimization Problem



- Assume that $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}$ and $\mathbf{v}_{i,T}$ are given and you pose the following optimization problem in variables x and y: - Minimize the function $\mathbf{v}_{i,T}^T (x\mathbf{u}_i + y\mathbf{w}_i)$ subject to the constraint $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \le \mu_i \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}$
- If you pose the first order Karush-Kuhn-Tucker optimality conditions for this optimization problem you end up precisely with the set of three conditions that define the Coulomb friction model
- It follows that there is an interplay between $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}$, $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u}$, $\widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}$, and $\mathbf{v}_{i,T}$. Using math notation

$$(\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u},\widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \le \mu_i \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}} \mathbf{v}_{i,T}^T \left(x \mathbf{u}_i + y \mathbf{w}_i \right).$$



The DVI Problem: The EOM, in Fine-Granularity Form

• Time evolution of the dynamical system is the solution of the following DVI problem:

$$B = 1, \dots, nb : m_B \ddot{\mathbf{r}}_B = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}(B)} \left[\Psi_{\mathbf{r}_B}^{(i)} \right]^T \widehat{\gamma}_{i,b} + \mathbf{f}_B(t, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}(B)} (\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \mathbf{n}_i + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,u} \mathbf{u}_i + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w} \mathbf{w}_i)$$

$$B = 1, \dots, nb : \mathbf{\bar{J}}_B \dot{\bar{\omega}}_B = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}(B)} \mathbf{\bar{\Pi}}_B^T (\Psi^{(i)}) \widehat{\gamma}_{i,b} + \tau_B(t, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}(B)} \mathbf{\tilde{\bar{s}}}_{i,B} \mathbf{A}_B^T (\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \mathbf{n}_i + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,u} \mathbf{u}_i + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w} \mathbf{w}_i)$$

$$B = 1, \dots, nb : \mathbf{\bar{p}}_B = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{G}^T (\mathbf{p}_B) \bar{\omega}_B$$

$$i \in \mathcal{B} : \Psi_i (\mathbf{q}, t) = 0$$

$$i \in \mathcal{A} : 0 \le \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \perp \Phi_i (\mathbf{q}) \ge 0,$$

$$i \in \mathcal{A} : (\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u}, \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \le \mu_i \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}} \mathbf{v}^T (x \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + y \mathbf{D}_{i,w})$$

Frictional Contact: The Matrix-Vector Form



• Problem on previous slide reformulated using matrix-vector notation, assumes form

 $\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{q}} &= \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{M}\dot{\mathbf{v}} &= \mathbf{f}\left(t, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}\right) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} \widehat{\gamma}_{i,b} \nabla \Psi_i + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}} \left(\widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \, \mathbf{D}_{i,n} + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,u} \, \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w} \, \mathbf{D}_{i,w}\right) \\ &i \in \mathcal{B} \quad : \quad \Psi_i(\mathbf{q}, t) = 0 \\ &i \in \mathcal{A} \quad : \quad 0 \leq \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n} \perp \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}) \geq 0, \\ &(\widehat{\gamma}_{i,u}, \widehat{\gamma}_{i,w}) \quad = \quad \underset{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq \mu_i \widehat{\gamma}_{i,n}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbf{v}^T \left(x \, \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + y \, \mathbf{D}_{i,w}\right) \end{aligned}$

The Discretization Process



- For straight index-3 DAE solution (like ADAMS), one uses the Newton-Euler form of the equations of motion in conjunction with the level zero constraints (the position constraint equations)
- The DVI solution relies on the level one constraints (velocity level constraints)
- Implications:
 - Since the level zero constraints are not enforced, there will be drift in the solution.
 - Stabilization terms, that penalize the violation of the level zero constraints, are added to the level one bilateral and unilateral constraints
 - Bilateral and unilateral constraints massaged into the following (superscript (l) denotes the time step):

$$i \in \mathcal{B} : \frac{1}{h} \Psi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}, t) + \nabla \Psi_i^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} + \frac{\partial \Psi_i}{\partial t} = 0$$
$$i \in \mathcal{A} : 0 \le \gamma_{i,n} \perp \frac{1}{h} \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}) + \mathbf{D}_{i,n}^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} \ge 0.$$

* Reminiscent of a Baumgarte stabilization scheme



The Discretization Process

• The discretized form of the DVI problem:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} - \mathbf{v}^{(l)}) &= h\mathbf{f}(t^{(l)}, \mathbf{q}^{(l)}, \mathbf{v}^{(l)}) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} \gamma_{i,b} \nabla \Psi_i + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}} (\gamma_{i,n} \mathbf{D}_{i,n} + \gamma_{i,u} \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + \gamma_{i,w} \mathbf{D}_{i,w}) \\ &i \in \mathcal{B} : \frac{1}{h} \Psi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}, t) + \nabla \Psi_i^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} + \frac{\partial \Psi_i}{\partial t} = 0 \\ &i \in \mathcal{A} : 0 \le \gamma_{i,n} \perp \frac{1}{h} \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}) + \mathbf{D}_{i,n}^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} \ge 0 \\ &(\gamma_{i,u}, \gamma_{i,w}) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\mu_i \gamma_{i,n} \ge \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \mathbf{v}^T (x \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + y \mathbf{D}_{i,w}) \\ &\mathbf{q}^{(l+1)} = \mathbf{q}^{(l)} + h\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}) \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)}. \end{split}$$

- The first four of the equations above together combine for an optimization problem with equilibrium constraints
- Why an optimization problem?
 - Because the way the Coulomb friction model is posed
- What type of optimization problem?
 - This represents a nonlinear optimization problem
 - Can be linearized if the friction cone is discretized and represented as a multifaceted pyramid (problem size increases & anisotropy creeps in)
- What are the 'equilibrium constraints' ?
 - Your typical optimization problem might display algebraic equality or inequality constraints
 - Above, we are solving an optimization problem for which the constraints represent the discretization of a set of differential equations

The NCP \rightarrow CCP Metamorphosis



- Dealing with some generic nonlinear optimization problem like the one above is daunting
- Trick used to recast it as a simpler optimization problem for which
 - (i) We are guaranteed that a solution exists (ideally, it would be unique, in some sense), and
 - (ii) There are tailored algorithms that we can use to efficiently find the solution
- Trick (coming from the left field): introduce a relaxation of the complementarity constraints

Instead of working with this:

$$i \in \mathcal{A} : 0 \leq \gamma_{i,n} \quad \perp \quad \frac{1}{h} \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}) + \mathbf{D}_{i,n}^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} \geq 0$$

Work with this:

$$i \in \mathcal{A}: 0 \leq \gamma_{i,n} \quad \bot \quad \frac{1}{h} \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}) + \mathbf{D}_{i,n}^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} - \mu_i \sqrt{(\mathbf{v}^T \, \mathbf{D}_{i,u})^2 + (\mathbf{v}^T \, \mathbf{D}_{i,w})^2} \geq 0$$

• Owing to this relaxation, the NCP problem becomes a cone complementarity problem (CCP)

The Cone Complementarity Problem



• The relaxed problem we have to deal with now looks like this

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} - \mathbf{v}^{(l)}) = h\mathbf{f}(t^{(l)}, \mathbf{q}^{(l)}, \mathbf{v}^{(l)}) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{B}} \gamma_{i,b} \nabla \Psi_i + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{A}} \left(\gamma_{i,n} \mathbf{D}_{i,n} + \gamma_{i,u} \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + \gamma_{i,w} \mathbf{D}_{i,w}\right)$$

$$i \in \mathcal{B}$$
 : $\frac{1}{h} \Psi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}, t) + \nabla \Psi_i^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} + \frac{\partial \Psi_i}{\partial t} = 0$

$$i \in \mathcal{A} \quad : \quad 0 \le \gamma_{i,n} \perp \frac{1}{h} \Phi_i(\mathbf{q}^{(l)}) + \mathbf{D}_{i,n}^T \mathbf{v}^{(l+1)} - \mu_i \sqrt{(\mathbf{v}^T \, \mathbf{D}_{i,u})^2 + (\mathbf{v}^T \, \mathbf{D}_{i,w})^2} \ge 0$$

$$(\gamma_{i,u},\gamma_{i,w}) = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\sqrt{x^2+y^2} \le \mu_i \gamma_{i,n}} \mathbf{v}^T (x \mathbf{D}_{i,u} + y \mathbf{D}_{i,w})$$

$$\mathbf{q}^{(l+1)} = \mathbf{q}^{(l)} + h\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)})\mathbf{v}^{(l+1)}.$$

Cone Complementarity Problem (CCP)



- After some algebraic massaging, the equations on the previous slide combine to lead to the following CCP:
 - Introduce the convex hypercone...

$$\Upsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)})} \mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}^i \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} \bigoplus_{i \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)})} \mathcal{B}\mathcal{C}^i \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} \mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}^i & \text{is the } i\text{-th friction cone} \\ \mathcal{B}\mathcal{C}^i & \text{is } \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

- ... and its polar hypercone

$$\Upsilon^{\circ} = \left(\underset{i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)})}{\oplus} \mathcal{FC}^{i \circ} \right) \oplus \left(\underset{i \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)})}{\oplus} \mathcal{BC}^{i \circ} \right)$$

- The CCP that needs to be solved at each time step is as follows:
 - * Find the Lagrange hyper-multiplier γ that satisfies:

$$\Upsilon \ni \gamma \quad \bot \quad -(\mathbf{N}\gamma + \mathbf{r}) \in \Upsilon^{\circ}$$

* The matrix N and vector r are given, computed based on state information at time-step $t^{(l)}$

The Optimization Angle



• CCP represents first order optimality condition (KKT conditions) for a quadratic problem with conic constraints

 $\min_{\gamma} \frac{1}{2} \gamma^T \mathbf{N} \gamma + \mathbf{r}^T \gamma$ subject to $\gamma_i \in \Upsilon_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, N_c$.

- $\mathbf{N} \in \mathbb{R}^{3N_c \times 3N_c}$ is symmetric and positive semi-definite
- N and $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^{3N_c}$ do not depend on γ . They are computed once at the beginning of each time step
- The problem is convex, therefore it has a global solution
- Problem does not have a unique solution (since ${\bf N}$ is not positive-definite)



Wrapping it Up, Complementarity Approach

• Everything straightforward once frictional contact forces are available

– The velocity $\mathbf{v}^{(l+1)}$ is computed via a matrix-vector multiplication

– Once velocity available, generalized positions $\mathbf{q}^{(l+1)}$ computed as

$$\mathbf{q}^{(l+1)} = \mathbf{q}^{(l)} + h\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{q}^{(l)})\mathbf{v}^{(l+1)}$$

Complementarity Approach: Putting Things in Perspective

- Perform collision detection
- Formulate equations of motion; i.e., pose DVI problem
- DVI discretized to lead to nonlinear complementarity problem (NCP)
- Relax NCP to get CCP
- Equivalently, solve QP with conic constraints to compute γ
- Once friction and contact forces available, velocity available
- Once velocity available, positions are available (numerical integration)

Additive Manufacturing (3D SLS Printing)





Courtesy of Professor Tim Osswald, Polymer Engineering Center, UW-Madison







Selective Laser Sintering (SLS) Layering

| Granular Material | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| N | 1 186 185 |
| ho | 930 $[kg/m^3]$ |
| r(mean) | $0.029 \ [mm]$ |
| $r(\sigma)$ | $0.0075 \ [mm]$ |
| Simulation | |
| Simulation Length: | 20 [s] |
| Δt | $5 \times 10^{-5} \ [s]$ |
| Run Time | 49 Hours |







Dress <u>3D Printing Problem</u>





Using Simulation in 3D Printing of Clothes



















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Pros and Cons, Complementarity Approach

• Pros

- Allows for large integration step sizes since it doesn't have to deal with contact stiffness
- Reduced number of model parameters one can fiddle with
- It looks at the entire problem, it doesn't artificially decouples the problem

• Cons

- Requires a global solution, which means that large systems lead to large coupled problems
- Our implementation has numerical artifacts owing to the relaxation of the non-penetration condition
- Challenging to model coefficient of restitution (currently uses an inelastic model)
- Stuck w/ a rigid body dynamics take on the problem (can't propagate shock waves)



Reference, DVI Literature

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Closing Remarks [Applies both for Penalty and DVI approaches]



- There is some hand waving when it comes to handling friction and contact
 - Both in Penalty and DVI
- Handling frictional contact is equally art and science
 - To get something to run robustly requires tweaking
 - Takes some time to understand strong/weak points of each approach
- Continues to be area of active research



Supplemental Slides



General Comments, DVI

- Differential Variational Inequality (DVI): a set of differential equations that hold in conjunction with a collection of constraints
 - Classical equations of motion: Newton-Euler EOMs, govern time evolutions of constrained MBS
 - Kinematic constraints coming from joints
 - These constraints are called bilateral constraints
 - When dealing with contacts, the non-penetration condition captured as a unilateral constraint
 - At point of contact, relative to body 1, body 2 can move outwards, but not inwards
 - The variational attribute stems from the optimization problem posing the Coulomb friction model

[Nomenclature] Bilateral vs. Unilateral Constraints



- Nomenclature: classical MBD uses kinematic constraints, which we'll call bilateral constraints. In DVI we also have non-penetration constraints, which are unilateral constraints and assume the form of inequalities.
- Notation: We'll call \mathcal{A} the set of all *active unilateral* constraints present in the system. Think of these as active contacts. They'll be denoted by

$$\Phi_i(\mathbf{q}) \qquad i \in \mathcal{A}$$

- Note that the nonpenetration condition is expressed as (the distance between two bodies should also be positive)

$$\Phi_i(\mathbf{q}) \ge 0, \qquad i \in \mathcal{A}$$

• Notation: We'll call \mathcal{B} the set of all *bilateral* constraints present in the system. These expression of these constraints will be denoted by $\Psi(\mathbf{q}, t)$. Just like before we have that

$$\Psi_i(\mathbf{q},t) = 0, \qquad i \in \mathcal{B}$$

Remark: While the bilateral constraints typically don't change in time (a spherical joint stays a spherical joint throughout the simulation), the unilateral constraints appear and disappear; i.e., contacts are made and then broken. In other words, A depends on the state q of the system