A fluid-structure model coupling the Navier-Stokes equations and the Lamé system

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1. Known results

- N.S.E. + Rigid body (Takahashi ’03, San Martin, Starovoitov, Tucsnak ’02, Cumsille, Takahashi ’09, ...)

- N.S.E. + Deformable body described by a system of O.D.E. (San Martin, Scheid, Takahashi, Tucsnak ’08, Court ’10)

- N.S.E. + Elasticity system with a damping (Boulakia ’07)

- Elastic structure modeled by the Lamé system (Coutand, Shkoller ’05, Kukavica, Tuffaha, ’12)

- A damped beam or plate located at the fluid boundary (Beirao da Veiga ’04, Chambolle, Desjardins, Esteban, Grandmont ’05, R. ’09, Lequeurre ’10)
2. The model and the method of proof

The fluid model in Eulerian variables

\[
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (u \cdot \nabla_x) u - \text{div}_x \sigma(u, p) = 0, \quad \text{div}_x u = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F(t), \text{ for } t > 0,
\]

\[u(0) = u_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F = \Omega_F(0),\]

at the F-S interface \(u(x, t) = \) velocity of the solid displacement,

where

\[
\sigma(u, p) = \nu(\nabla_x u + (\nabla_x u)^T) - pl.
\]
The Lamé system in Lagrangian variables

\[
\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \text{div}_y \sigma(w) = 0 \quad \text{in } Q^T_S = \Omega_S \times (0, T),
\]

\[
w(\cdot, 0) = l \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = w_1 \quad \text{in } \Omega_S,
\]

\[
\sigma(w)n = \text{force exerted by the fluid},
\]

where

\[
\sigma(w) = \lambda \text{trace } \varepsilon(w) l + 2\mu \varepsilon(w) \quad \text{with} \quad \varepsilon(w) = \frac{1}{2}(\nabla_y w + (\nabla_y w)^T),
\]

\[
\mu > 0 \text{ and } \lambda + \mu > 0.
\]
The flow associated with the velocity field

The mapping $X(\cdot, t)$ from $\Omega_F(0) = \Omega_F$ to $\Omega_F(t)$ satisfies the differential equation

$$\frac{\partial X}{\partial t}(y, t) = u(X(y, t), t), \quad X(y, 0) = y \quad \text{for all } y \in \Omega_F.$$ 

The equality of velocity is expressed by

$$u(X(y, t), t) = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(y, t) \quad \text{on } \Sigma_S^T.$$ 

The equality of forces reads as

$$\sigma(w)\tilde{n} = (\sigma(u, p) \circ X) \operatorname{cof}(\nabla_y X)\tilde{n} = (\sigma(u, p) \circ X) n \quad \text{on } \Sigma_S^T,$$

where $n = \operatorname{cof}(\nabla_y X)\tilde{n}$, $\tilde{n}$ is the unit normal to $\Gamma_S$ exterior to $\Omega_F$. 
The Lagrangian formulation of the coupled system

We introduce

\[ \tilde{u}(y, t) = u(X(y, t), t) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{p}(y, t) = p(X(y, t), t). \]

\(X(\cdot, t)\) is a \(C^1\)-diffeomorphism from \(\Omega_F\) into \(\Omega_F(t) = X(\Omega_F, t)\) for all \(t \in [0, T^*]\), where \(T^* > 0\) only depends on the initial conditions \(u_0\) and \(w_1\).

We denote by \(Y(\cdot, t)\) the inverse of \(X(\cdot, t)\), that is the mapping from \(\Omega_F(t)\) into \(\Omega_F\) satisfying

\[ Y(X(y, t), t) = y, \quad y \in \Omega_F \quad \text{and} \quad X(Y(x, t), t) = x, \quad x \in \Omega_F(t). \]

Let us notice that

\[ \nabla u(x, t) = \nabla \tilde{u}(Y(x, t), t) J_Y(x, t), \quad x \in \Omega_F(t), \text{ for } t \in [0, T^*], \]

while

\[ \nabla p(x, t) = J_Y(x, t)^T \nabla \tilde{p}(Y(x, t), t), \quad x \in \Omega_F(t), \text{ for } t \in [0, T^*], \]

where \(J_Y(x, t) = (J_X(Y(x, t), t))^{-1}\).
The full nonlinear system

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta \tilde{u} + \nabla \tilde{p} = \mathcal{F}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}) \quad \text{in } Q^T_F,
\]

\[
\text{div } \tilde{u} = \mathcal{G}(\tilde{u}) = \text{div } (\mathbf{g}(\tilde{u})) \quad \text{in } Q^T_F,
\]

\[
\tilde{u}(0) = u_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F, \quad \tilde{u} = 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_E,
\]

\[
\tilde{u} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p})\tilde{n} = \sigma(w)\tilde{n} + \mathcal{H}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}) \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S,
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \text{div}\sigma(w) = 0 \quad \text{in } Q^T_S,
\]

\[
w(0) = I \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = w_1 \quad \text{in } \Omega_S,
\]

\[
X(y, t) = y + \int_0^t \tilde{u}(y, s)ds, \quad \text{for all } y \in \Omega_F \text{ and all } t \in [0, T],
\]

\[
\Omega_F(t) = X(\Omega_F, t),
\]

\[
Y(X(y, t), t) = y, \quad y \in \Omega_F \quad \text{and} \quad X(Y(x, t), t) = x, \quad x \in \Omega_F(t).
\]
The nonlinear terms are defined by

\[ \mathcal{F}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}) = \mathcal{F}_1(\tilde{u}) + \mathcal{F}_2(\tilde{u}) + \mathcal{F}_3(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}), \]

\[ \mathcal{F}_1(\tilde{u}) = \nu \sum_{j,k} \frac{\partial^2 Y_k}{\partial x_j^2} (X(y,t), t) \frac{\partial \tilde{u}}{\partial y_k}(y,t), \]

\[ \mathcal{F}_2(\tilde{u}) = \nu \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial Y_k}{\partial x_j} (X(y,t), t) \frac{\partial^2 \tilde{u}}{\partial y_i \partial y_k}(y,t) - \nu \Delta \tilde{u}, \]

\[ \mathcal{F}_3(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}) = \left( I - J_Y^T \right) \nabla \tilde{p}, \]

\[ \mathcal{G}(\tilde{u}) = \nabla \tilde{u} : \left( I - J_Y^T \right), \]

\[ \mathcal{H}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}) = -\nu (\nabla \tilde{u} J_Y + J_Y^T (\nabla \tilde{u})^T) n + \nu (\nabla \tilde{u} + (\nabla \tilde{u})^T) \tilde{n} - \tilde{p} (\tilde{n} - \text{cof}(\nabla X) \tilde{n}). \]
Let us notice that
\[ \nabla \tilde{u} : \left( I - J_Y^T \right) = \mathcal{G}(\tilde{u}) = \text{div} \left( g(\tilde{u}) \right) \quad \text{with} \quad g(\tilde{u}) = (I - J_Y)\tilde{u}, \]
because
\[ \nabla \tilde{u} : J_{Y\tilde{u}}^T = \text{div}_X u = 0. \]
Otherwise, any regular vector field \( \tilde{v} \), we have
\[ \mathcal{G}(\tilde{v}) = \text{div}_Y g(\tilde{v}) + j(\tilde{v}), \]
where
\[ j(\tilde{v}) = -\nabla (\det J_{X\tilde{v}}) \cdot J_{Y\tilde{v}} \tilde{v} / \det (J_{X\tilde{v}}). \]
3. The linearized model

The method of successive approximations is based on fine estimates for the following linearized system

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta v + \nabla q = f \quad \text{in } Q^T_F,$$
$$\text{div } v = g = \text{div } g + j \quad \text{in } Q^T_F,$$
$$v(0) = u_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F, \quad v = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S,$$
$$\sigma(v, q) n = \sigma(w) n + h \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S,$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \text{div } \sigma(w) = 0 \quad \text{in } Q^T_S,$$
$$w(0) = I \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = w_1 \quad \text{in } \Omega_S.$$

For simplicity we have replaced $\tilde{n}$ by $n$. 
Maximal regularity results for the Stokes system

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta v + \nabla q &= 0 \quad \text{in } Q^T_F, \\
div v &= 0 \quad \text{in } Q^T_F, \\
v(0) &= u_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F, \\
v &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S, \\
\sigma(v, q)n &= \sigma(w)n + h \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S.
\end{align*}
\]

For Dirichlet boundary conditions, if \( v|_{\Sigma^T_S} \in H^{\ell,\ell/2}(\Sigma^T_S), \ell > 0 \) then \( v \in H^{\ell+1/2,\ell/2+1/4}(Q^T_F) \).

Conversely, if \( v \in H^{\ell+1/2,\ell/2+1/4}(Q^T_F) \), then \( v|_{\Sigma^T_S} \in H^{\ell,\ell/2}(\Sigma^T_S) \).

For Neumann boundary conditions, if \( \sigma(v, q)n \in H^{\ell,\ell/2}(\Sigma^T_S), \ell > 0 \) then \( v \in H^{\ell+3/2,\ell/2+3/4}(Q^T_F) \). Conversely, if \( v \in H^{\ell+3/2,\ell/2+3/4}(Q^T_F) \), then \( \sigma(v, q)n \in H^{\ell,\ell/2}(\Sigma^T_S) \).
Regularity results for the Lamé system

\[ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \text{div} \sigma(w) = F \quad \text{in} \quad Q^T_S, \]

\[ w = G = w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t v \, d\tau \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma^T_S, \]

\[ w(0) = w_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = w_1 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega_S. \]

If \( w_0 \in H^2(\Omega_S), w_1 \in H^1(\Omega_S), F \in L^1(H^1) \cap W^{1,1}(L^2), \)
\( G \in H^2(\Sigma^T_S), G|_{t=0} = w_0|_{\Gamma_S} \) and \( \partial_t G|_{t=0} = w_1|_{\Gamma_S}, \) then

\[ w \in C([0, T]; H^2(\Omega_S)) \cap C^1([0, T]; H^1(\Omega_S)) \cap C^2([0, T]; L^2(\Omega_S)) \]

and

\[ \sigma(w)n \in H^1(\Sigma^T_S). \]

More generally if \( G \in H^s(\Sigma^T_S), \) then \( \sigma(w)n \in H^{s-1}(\Sigma^T_S). \)
Analysis of the interface conditions

\[ w = G = w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t v \, d\tau \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(v, q)n = \sigma(w)n + h \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S. \]

If \( \sigma(w)n + h \in H^1(\Sigma^T_S) \), then \( v \in H^{5/2,5/4}(Q^T_F) \), \( v|_{\Sigma^T_S} \in H^{2,1}(\Sigma^T_S) \), and \( w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t v \, d\tau \in H^2(\Sigma^T_S) \), which gives again \( \sigma(w)n \in H^1(\Sigma^T_S) \).

Thus \( v \in H^{5/2,5/4}(Q^T_F) \) and \( w \in C([0, T]; H^2(\Omega_S)) \cap C^1([0, T]; H^1(\Omega_S)) \cap C^2([0, T]; L^2(\Omega_S)) \) with \( \sigma(w)n \in H^1(\Sigma^T_S) \) seems to be a good candidate family of spaces for a fixed point method.

Unfortunately, for the nonlinear terms in 3D, we need

\[ v \in H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q^T_F), \quad \text{with } \ell > 1/2. \]
We redo the previous analysis

If \( \sigma(w)n + h \in H^{1/2+\ell}(\Sigma_S^T) \), then \( \nu \in H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_F^T) \),

\( \nu|_{\Sigma_S^T} \in H^{3/2+\ell,3/4+\ell/2}(\Sigma_S^T) \), and

\( w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t \nu \, d\tau \in H^1(0, T; H^{3/2+\ell}(\Gamma_S)) \cap H^{7/4+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Gamma_S)) \).

We would like to have \( w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t \nu \, d\tau \in H^{3/2+\ell}(\Sigma_S^T) \), to recover \( \sigma(w)n \in H^{1/2+\ell}(\Sigma_S^T) \).

But \( 7/4 + \ell/2 < 3/2 + \ell \) and we cannot get

\( w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t \nu \, d\tau \in H^{3/2+\ell}(\Sigma_S^T) \).
We have to prove new anisotropic hidden regularity for the Lamé system.

We prove that if
\[ w_0|_{\Gamma_S} + \int_0^t \nu \, d\tau \in H^1(0, T; H^{3/2+\ell}(\Gamma_S)) \cap H^{7/4+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Gamma_S)), \]
then
\[ \sigma(w)n \in H^{5/8-\ell/4}(0, T; H^{1/2+\ell}(\Gamma_S)) \cap H^{3/4+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Gamma_S)). \]
Analysis of the Stokes system

\[ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta v + \nabla q = 0 \quad \text{in } Q_T^F, \]
\[ \text{div } v = g = \text{div } g + j \quad \text{in } Q_T^F, \]
\[ v(0) = u_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F, \]
\[ \sigma(v, q)n = \sigma(w)n + h \quad \text{on } \Sigma_S^T. \]

To simplify we set \( j = 0 \).
The difficult part is

\[
\frac{\partial \tilde{v}}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta \tilde{v} + \nabla \tilde{q} = 0 \quad \text{in } Q^T_F ,
\]

\[
\text{div } \tilde{v} = g = \text{div } g \quad \text{in } Q^T_F ,
\]

\[
\tilde{v}(0) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F ,
\]

\[
\sigma(\tilde{v}, \tilde{q})n = 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S .
\]

We have to use the decomposition \( \tilde{v} = P\tilde{v} + (I - P)\tilde{v} \).

The regularity of \( g \in L^2(0, T; H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F)) \cap H^{\ell/2}(0, T; H^1(\Omega_F)) \) is used to recover the best regularity with respect to the space variable \( \tilde{v} \in L^2(0, T; H^{2+\ell}(\Omega_F)) \),

while the regularity \( g \in H^{1+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Omega_F)) \) is used to recover the best regularity with respect to the time variable \( \tilde{v} \in H^{1+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Omega_F)) \).
Regularity result for the Stokes system. If
\[ f \in H^{\ell,\ell/2}(Q_T^F), \quad v_0 \in H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F) \cap H^{1\epsilon}_\Gamma(\Omega_F), \quad \text{div} \ v_0 = 0, \]
\[ h \in H^{1/2+\ell,1/4+\ell/2}(\Sigma_T), \quad g \in H^{1+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Omega_F)), \]
\[ g \in \mathcal{C}([0, T]; H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F)), \quad g|_{\Sigma_T} = 0, \quad g(\cdot, 0) = 0 \quad \text{in} \ \Omega_F, \]
\[ g \in L^2(0, T; H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F)) \cap H^{\ell/2}(0, T; H^1(\Omega_F)), \]
and if \( h, \nu_0 \) obey the compatibility conditions
\[ 2\nu \ (\varepsilon(v_0)n) \cdot \tau = h(0) \cdot \tau \quad \text{on} \ \Gamma_S, \]
then
\[ \|Pv\|_{H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_T^F)} + \|\nabla q\|_{H^{\ell,\ell/2}(Q_T^F)} \leq C(\|f\|_{H^{\ell,\ell/2}(Q_F^T)}) \]
\[ + \|g\|_{L^2(H^{1+\ell}) \cap H^{\ell/2}(H^1)} + \|g\|_{H^{1+\ell/2}(L^2)} + \|h\|_{H^{\ell,\ell/2}(\Sigma_T)} + \|v_0\|_{H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F)}), \]
and
\[ \|(I - P)v\|_{H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_F^T)} \leq C(\|g\|_{L^2(0,T;H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F))) + \|g\|_{H^{1+\ell/2}(L^2))}. \]
In particular \( v|_{\Sigma_T} \) belongs to \( H^{3/2+\ell,3/4+\ell/2}(\Sigma_T^F) \) because
\[ v \in H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_F^T). \]
The linearized coupled system

The Stokes system

\[ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta v + \nabla q = f \quad \text{in } Q_F^T, \]
\[ \text{div } v = g = \text{div } g + j \quad \text{in } Q_F^T, \]
\[ v(0) = u_0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F, \]
\[ \sigma(v, q) n = \sigma(w) n + h = \zeta + h \quad \text{on } \Sigma_S^T, \]

The Lamé system

\[ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \text{div } \sigma(w) = 0 \quad \text{in } Q_S^T, \]
\[ w = l + \int_0^t v(s) \, ds \quad \text{on } \Sigma_S^T, \]
\[ w(0) = l \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = w_1 \quad \text{in } \Omega_S. \]
For $\zeta$ given, we denote by $(v_\zeta, q_\zeta)$ the solution to the Stokes equation. We denote by $w_\zeta$ the solution to the Lamé system with the Dirichlet boundary condition

$$w_\zeta = 1 + \int_0^t v_\zeta(s) \, ds \quad \text{on } \Sigma^T_S.$$  

We show that the mapping

$$\zeta \mapsto -\sigma(w_\zeta)n$$

is a contraction in

$$\{ \zeta \in H^{1/2+\ell, 1/4+\ell/2}(\Sigma^T_S) \mid \zeta \cdot \tau|_{t=0} = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_S \text{ for all vector } \tau \text{ tangent to } \Gamma_S \}.$$
4. Lipschitz estimates

We need to introduce

\[ K_0 = \| u_0 \|_{H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F)} + \| w_0 \|_{H^{3/2+\ell+\beta}(\Omega_S)} + \| w_0 \|_{\Gamma_S} \| H^{3/2+\ell}(\Gamma_S) \]

\[ + \| w_1 \|_{H^{1/2+\ell+\beta}(\Omega_S)}, \quad 0 < \beta \leq 5/8 - \ell/4. \]

The solution \((\tilde{u}^0, \tilde{p}^0, w^0)\) to

\[ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta v + \nabla q = 0, \quad \text{div} \ v = 0, \quad \text{in} \ Q_T^F, \]

\[ v(0) = u_0 \quad \text{in} \ \Omega_F, \quad v = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \quad \text{on} \ \Sigma_T^S, \]

\[ \sigma(v, q)n = \sigma(w)n \quad \text{on} \ \Sigma_T^S, \]

\[ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial t^2} - \text{div} \sigma(w) = 0 \quad \text{in} \ Q_T^S, \]

\[ w(0) = I \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = w_1 \quad \text{in} \ \Omega_S. \]
The estimate

\[ \| \tilde{u}^0 \|_{H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_T^F)} + \| \nabla \tilde{p}^0 \|_{H^{\ell,\ell/2}(Q_T^F)} \leq C_1 K_0, \]

We set

\[ \tilde{K}_0 = \| \mathcal{G}(\tilde{u}^0) \|_{L^2(0,T;H^{1+\ell}_{\#}(\Omega_F)) \cap H^{\ell/2}(0,T;H^1_{\#}(\Omega_F))} + \| g(\tilde{u}^0) \|_{H^{1+\ell/2}(0,T;L^2_{\#}(\Omega_F))}. \]

and \( M_0 = 3C_1(K_0 + \tilde{K}_0) + 3. \)

The maximal time \( T^* \) depends only on \( M_0. \)
Lipschitz estimates

\[
\|\mathcal{F}(\tilde{u}, \tilde{p})\|_{F_T} \leq K_\mathcal{F} T^{1-\ell} \chi(M_0),
\]
\[
\|\mathcal{F}(\tilde{u}^1, \tilde{p}^1) - \mathcal{F}(\tilde{u}^2, \tilde{p}^2)\|_{F_T}
\leq K_\mathcal{F} T^{1-\ell} \chi(M_0) \left( \|\tilde{u}^1 - \tilde{u}^2\|_{E_T} + \|\nabla \tilde{p}^1 - \nabla \tilde{p}^2\|_{F_T} \right),
\]
for all \( \tilde{u}, \tilde{u}^1 \) and \( \tilde{u}^2 \) bounded by \( M_0 \) in \( E_T \), equal to \( u_0 \) at \( t = 0 \), and all \( \tilde{p}, \tilde{p}^1 \) and \( \tilde{p}^2 \) bounded by \( M_0 \) in \( F_T \), with

\[
E_T = H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_F^T), \quad F_T = H^{\ell,\ell/2}(Q_F^T),
\]
\( \chi \) is a polynomial of high degree.
5. The method of successive approximations

We look for a solution \((\tilde{u}, \tilde{p}, w)\) to system the nonlinear system in the form

\[
\tilde{u} = v + \tilde{u}^0, \quad \tilde{p} = q + \tilde{p}^0, \quad w = z + w^0.
\]

Thus \((v, q, z)\) obeys

\[
\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} - \nu \Delta v + \nabla q = \mathcal{F}(v + \tilde{u}^0, q + \tilde{p}^0) \quad \text{in } Q_F^T,
\]

\[
\text{div } v = \mathcal{G}(v + \tilde{u}^0) = \text{div } (g(v + \tilde{u}^0)) + j(v + \tilde{u}^0) \quad \text{in } Q_F^T,
\]

\[
v(0) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_F, \quad v = 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma_e^T,
\]

\[
v = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(v, q)n = \sigma(z)n + \mathcal{H}(v + \tilde{u}^0, q + \tilde{p}^0) \quad \text{on } \Sigma_S^T,
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} - \text{div } \sigma(z) = 0 \quad \text{in } Q_S^T,
\]

\[
z(0) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}(\cdot, 0) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_S,
\]
and $X$ and $Y$ are determined by

$$X(y, t) = y + \int_0^t (v + \tilde{u}^0)(y, s)ds,$$

for all $y \in \Omega_F$ and all $t \in [0, T]$,

$$\Omega_F(t) = X(\Omega_F, t),$$

$$Y(X(y, t), t) = y, \quad y \in \Omega_F \quad \text{and} \quad X(Y(x, t), t) = x, \quad x \in \Omega_F(t).$$
We prove the existence of a fixed point to the above system, by the method of successive approximation.

We choose \((v^k, q^k, z^k)\) in the nonlinear terms of the RHS, and we denote by \((v^{k+1}, q^{k+1}, z^{k+1})\) the corresponding solution.

At the first iterate, that is for \((v^0, q^0, z^0) = (0, 0, 0)\), we have

\[
\mathcal{G}(\tilde{u}^0) = \text{div } (g(\tilde{u}^0)),
\]

because \(\nabla \tilde{u}^0 : J_Y \tilde{u}^0 = 0\).

For the other iterates, we have

\[
\mathcal{G}(\tilde{u}^k) = \text{div } (g(v^k + \tilde{u}^0)) + j(v^k + \tilde{u}^0).
\]

This method is used with some gap in the literature on free boundary value problems.
Existence and uniqueness theorem

Assumptions.

\[ u_0 \in H^{1+\ell}(\Omega_F), \quad u_0|_{\Gamma_e} = 0, \quad \text{div } u_0 = 0, \quad w_1 \in H^{1/2+\ell+\beta}(\Omega_S), \]

with \( \ell \in (1/2, 1) \) and \( 0 < \beta \leq \frac{5}{8} - \frac{\ell}{4} \), and

\[ u_0|_{\Gamma_S} = w_1|_{\Gamma_S}, \quad 2\nu (\varepsilon(u_0)n) \cdot \tau = \sigma(w_0)n \cdot \tau = \sigma(I)n \cdot \tau = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_S, \]

for any unit vector \( \tau \) tangent to \( \Gamma_S \).
Metric spaces.

\[ E_{T,M_0,u_0} = \{ \tilde{u} \in H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_T^F) \mid \tilde{u}(0) = u_0, \|\tilde{u}\|_{H^{2+\ell,1+\ell/2}(Q_T^F)} \leq M_0 \} , \]

\[ P_{T,M_0} = \{ p \in L^2(Q_T^F) \mid \|\nabla p\|_{H^{\ell,\ell/2}(Q_T^F)} \leq M_0 \} , \]

and

\[ X_{T,1/2} = \{ X \in H^1(0, T; H^{2+\ell}(\Omega_F)) \cap H^{2+\ell/2}(0, T; L^2(\Omega_F)) \mid \|\nabla_y X - I\|_{C(Q_T^F)} \leq 1/2 \} . \]

**Conclusion.** Then, there exists \( T > 0 \) such that the nonlinear system admits a unique solution \( (\tilde{u}, \nabla \tilde{p}, w, X) \) in

\[ E_{T,M_0,u_0} \times P_{T,M_0} \times (C^0([0, T]; H^{7/4+\ell/2}(\Omega_S)) \cap C^1([0, T]; H^{3/4+\ell/2}(\Omega_S))) \times X_{T,1/2} . \]
Solution to the initial system.

If $u_0$ and $w_1$ obey the previous compatibility conditions. Assume that $(\tilde{u}, \nabla \tilde{p}, w, X) \in E_{T,M_0,u_0} \times P_{T,M_0} \times (C^0([0, T]; H^{7/4+\ell/2}(\Omega_S)) \cap C^1([0, T]; H^{3/4+\ell/2}(\Omega_S))) \times X_{T,1/2}$ is a solution to the nonlinear system in Lagrangian variables. Let us set

$$u(x, t) = \tilde{u}(Y(x, t), t), \quad p(x, t) = \tilde{p}(Y(x, t), t) \quad \text{for all } x \in \Omega_F(t),$$

$$t \in [0, T].$$

Then $(u, p, w)$ is a solution to system initial system in Eulerian-Lagrangian variables.
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