

Calculus in Infinite Dimensions

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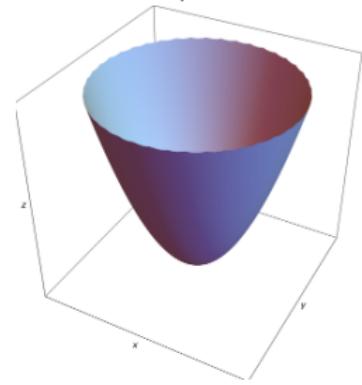
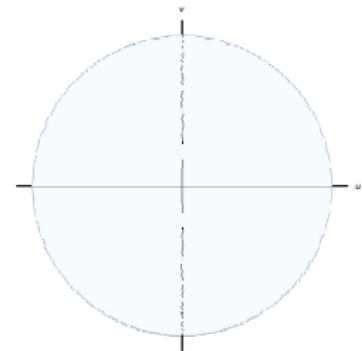
Consider a **function** $f : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, with B the unit ball in 2D, given by

$$f(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} u + v \\ u - v \\ u^2 + v^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the **gradient** is given by

$$\nabla f(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} +1 & +1 \\ +1 & -1 \\ 2u & 2v \end{pmatrix}$$

We can use this to investigate stationary points, minima, maxima etc.



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We shall mainly focus on functionals defined on spaces of functions.

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The solution to this is an example of a **cycloid** and can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} x(\omega\theta) &= \alpha(\theta - \sin(\theta)) \\ y(\omega\theta) &= \alpha(1 - \cos(\theta)) \end{aligned}$$

for an appropriate choice of $\alpha > 0$ and ω .

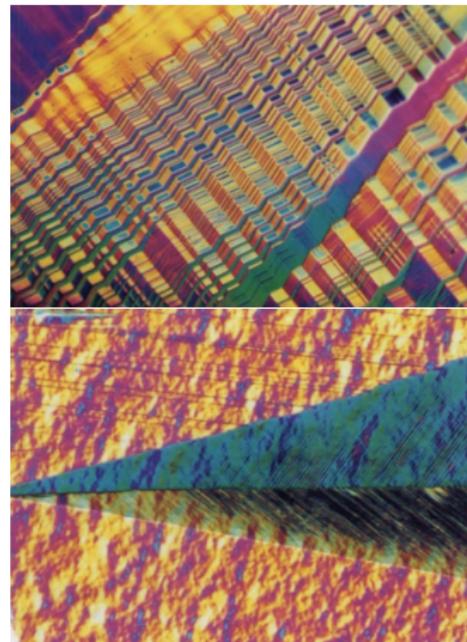
Elasticity & SME

Deformations of materials Ω are often investigated by studying functionals:

$$E[u] = \int_{\Omega} \varphi(\nabla u, \theta) \, dV$$

where

- E is the total energy of the material.
- φ is the stored energy density.
- u is an admissible deformation.
- θ is the temperature.



Shape Memory Effect

Changing the temperature changes the functional and thus changes the minimisers (what we observe).

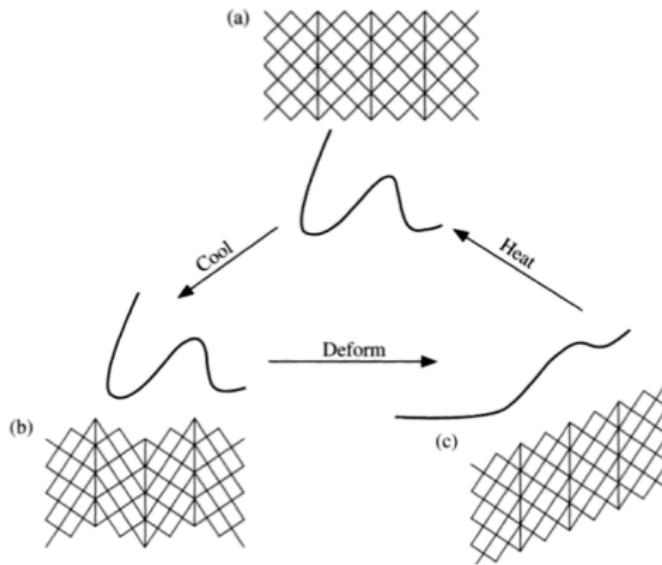


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with $f(u) = 3 \log |x|_2$ (often called a 'pressure' function) [1].

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Hence E_λ has a global minimum iff $E_\lambda \geq 0$.

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Then we make use of a Poincaré inequality for the Fourier modes:

Poincaré Inequality for Fourier Modes

Let $j \geq 1$. Then

$$\int_B \left| u^{(j)} \right|_2^2 dx \leq \frac{1}{j_0^2} \int_B \left| u_{,r}^{(j)} \right|_2^2 dx$$

where j_0 is the first zero of a Bessel function.

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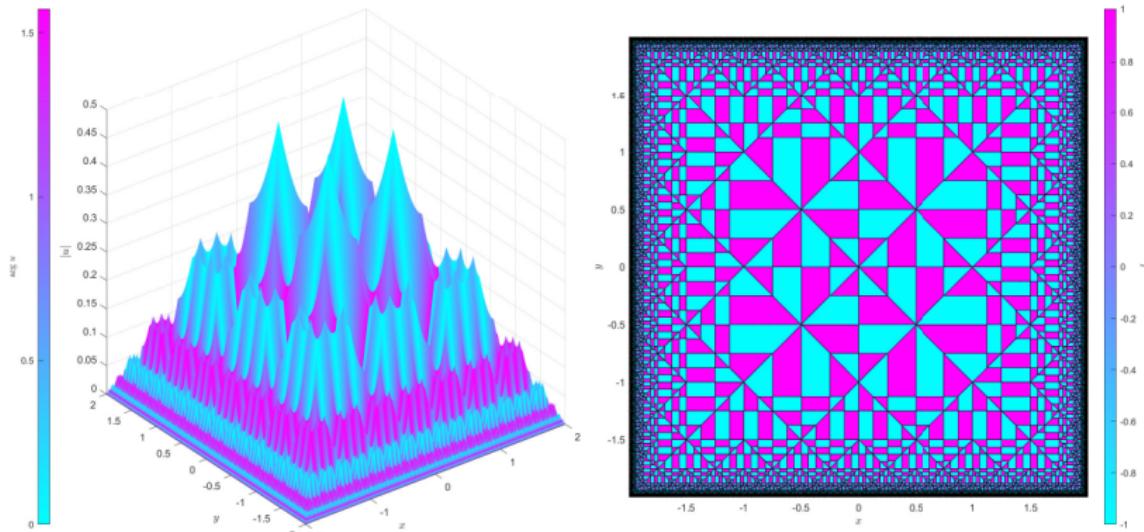


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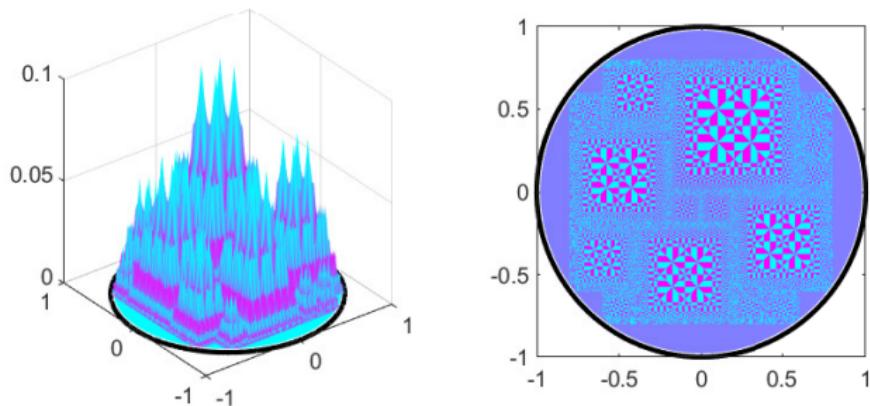


Figure: Tiled Solution with 15 Squares

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