

# DEO Group

## Differential Equations and Optimization

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## Group consists of

- 12 effective members
- 9 collaborators
- 3 PhD students

## 4 research lines

- Boundary Value Problems
- Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control
- Numerical Methods
- Variational, Multivalued and Functional Analysis

## ● International Cooperation

- University of Castilla-La Mancha (Spain)
- University of Padua (Italy)
- University of Napoles (Italy)
- Carnegi Mellon University (USA)
- Dorodnicym Computing Centre of RAS (Moscow, Russia)
- Institute of Systems Dynamics and Control Theory of RAS (Irkutsk, Russia)

## ● National Cooperation

- CMAF
- Universidade Nova de Lisboa
- Universidade de Aveiro
- Universidade de Porto
- Universidade de Minho

## ● Local cooperation

- Centro de Geofísica de Évora
- Instituto de Ciências Agrárias Mediterráneas, UE

## Team:

- Effective members
  - F. Minhos (coordinator)
  - A.I. Santos
- Collaborator
  - J. Fialho
- PhD students
  - H. Carrasco
  - R. Carrapinho

## Fields of research

- **Boundary Value Problems** for:

- high order ordinary differential equations;
- integro-differential equations;
- fractional differential equations;
- partial differential equations;
- discrete and time scale high order equations

including problems with **nonlocal and functional boundary data**

- **Applications** in:

- mechanics;
- engineering;
- medicine

## Main recent achievements

- **Existence and location** results are obtained for a **fourth order functional boundary value problem**;
- **Existence, location and multiplicity** results for **higher order boundary value problems** are obtained in continuous, discrete and in time scale cases;
- **Nonlocal and functional higher order boundary value problems** are studied;
- **Nonlinear impulsive fourth order boundary value problems** are studied;
- **Comparison technique** and arguments based on the **Degree Theory** are developed

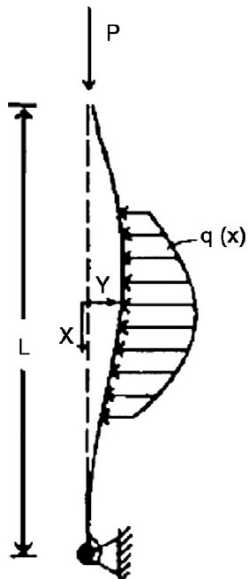
## Beam-column deformations

BV problems for high order ordinary differential equations permit to study the **mechanical deformations of the human spine**, which is under various loading conditions such as aircraft ejections or vehicle crush situations. One can take in consideration also some **initial deformations due, for instance, certain form of scoliosis**. The **displacement  $y_1(x)$  of the beam-column** is modeled with a fourth order nonlinear equation

$$Ely_1^{(4)} + Py_1'' = q(y_1''') - Py_0'',$$

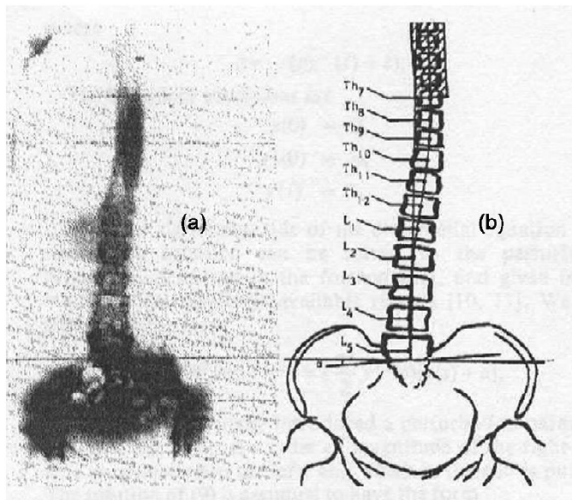
where  $EI$  is the **flexural rigidity of the beam-column**,  $P$  is the axial load,  $y_0(x)$  is the **initial displacement** and  $q(\cdot)$  is some continuous function of the third derivative of the displacement meaning the **transverse forces**. The **boundary condition here includes the restriction on the maximal curvature** (the second derivative) of the column, i.e., we have a functional BV problem

# Boundary Value Problems. Example of Application





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## Boundary Value Problems. Some recent publications

- **J. Fialho** and **F. Minhós**, High order periodic impulsive problems, *Dyn. Syst. Dif. Equat. Appl. AIMS Proc.* (2015), 446-454
- **F. Minhós** and **J. Fialho**, Existence and multiplicity of solutions in fourth order BVPs with unbounded nonlinearities, *Discr. Cont. Dynam. Syst.*, Supplement (2013), 555-564
- **J. Fialho** and **F. Minhós**, On higher order fully periodic boundary value problems, *J. Math. Anal. Appl.* 395 (2012), 616-625
- M. Grossinho, **F. Minhós** and **A. Santos**, A note on a class of problems for a higher order fully nonlinear equation under one sided Nagumo type condition, *Nonlinear Anal.* 70 (2009), 4027-4038
- **F. Minhós**, On some third order nonlinear boundary value problems: existence, location and multiplicity results, *J. Math. Anal. Appl.* 339/2 (2008), 1342-1353

## Team:

- Effective members
  - A. Ornelas (coordinator)
  - C. Carlota
  - L. Bandeira
  - L. Bicho
- Collaborators
  - M Vornicescu
  - S. Chá

# Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control. Objectives and achievements

## Fields of research

- **Existence theorems** for solutions of scalar as well as vector variational and Optimal Control problems;
- Developing of **Direct Methods**;
- **Regularity of minimizers**;
- **Necessary conditions of optimality**

# Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control. Objectives and achievements

## Main recent achievements

- Existence of scalar minimizers for some highly discontinuous nonconvex nonautonomous multiple integrals was proved;
- Validity of DuBois-Reymond differential inclusion under pointwise constraints on state and gradient was established;
- Some necessary conditions of minimum in variational and optimal control problems (in both convex and nonconvex cases) under pointwise state and velocity constraints are obtained;
- A pointwise constrained version of the A.A. Lyapunov's convexity theorem for single integrals was proved;
- The relations between rank-one-convexity and quasiconvexity of symmetric  $2 \times 2$ -matrices, quasiconvexity of fourth-degree polynomials and laminates for symmetric  $2 \times 2$ -gradients were studied

# Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control. Some recent publications

- **C. Carlota, S. Chá** and **A.Ornelas**, A pointwise constrained version of the Liapunov convexity theorem for single integrals, *NoDEA* 20 (2013), 273-293
- **L. Bandeira** and **A. Ornelas**, On the characterization of laminates for  $2 \times 2$  symmetric gradients, *J. Convex Anal.* 18 (2011), 37-58
- **L. Bicho** and **A. Ornelas**, Existence of minimizers for nonautonomous highly discontinuous scalar multiple integrals with pointwise constrained gradients, *Discr Cont Dyn Sys., A* 29 (2011), 439-451

# Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control. Some recent publications

- **C. Carlota** and **A. Ornelas**, The DuBois-Reymond differential inclusion for autonomous optimal control problems with pointwise-constrained derivatives, *Discr Cont Dyn Sys.*, A 29 (2011), 467-484
- **L. Bicho** and **A. Ornelas**, Radially increasing minimizing surfaces or deformations under pointwise constraints on positions and gradients, *Nonlinear Anal.* 74 (2011), 7061-7070

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  - F. Carapau
- **Collaborators**
  - A. Lotov (Russia)
  - P. Correia
  - M Pires
- **PhD student**
  - A. Jorge



## Fields of research

- **Numerical methods** in finite as well as infinite dimensional optimization;
- **Multiobjective optimization**;
- **Computer realization** of the numerical schemes;
- **Mathematical modeling** of real physical, chemical etc. processes;
- Applications to **fluid mechanics** and to various **regional problems**

## Main recent achievements

- Numerical algorithms for **approximating Pareto frontier** for some integer multiobjective problems are constructed;
- An algorithm for **determination of space-time slip distribution for seismic sources** is given;
- Mathematical models of **fluid mechanics** are analysed, developed and applied to **hemodynamics** and to other medicine problems;
- The developed methods are applied to **forest management**, to **water allocation** and to other **problems of the Alentejo region**

## Example 1 (modeling of the liquid flows interacted with the surrounding matter)

Numerical analysis of the **blood flow** through the human tissues such as the **filtration blood through the kidneys**. The results can be applied in medicine, e.g., in the **kidneys dialysis**

The blood flow in such a situation can be described by the following **hydrodynamical equations**

Example 1 (modeling of the liquid flows interacted with the surrounding matter)

## Classical Johnson-Segalman Model Summary

$$\operatorname{div} \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\rho \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \operatorname{div} \mathbf{T}$$

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{T}_s + \mathbf{T}_e$$

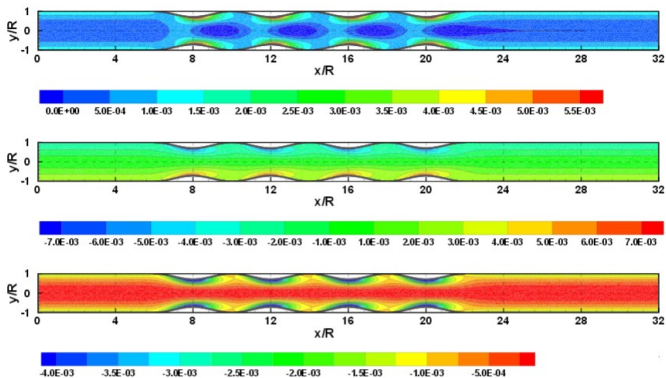
$$\mathbf{T}_s = 2\mu_s \mathbf{D}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{T}_e}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{T}_e = \frac{2\mu_e}{\lambda} \mathbf{D} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{T}_e + (\mathbf{W} \mathbf{T}_e - \mathbf{T}_e \mathbf{W}) + a(\mathbf{D} \mathbf{T}_e + \mathbf{T}_e \mathbf{D})$$

$$a \in [-1; 1]$$

# Numerical Methods. Examples of Applications

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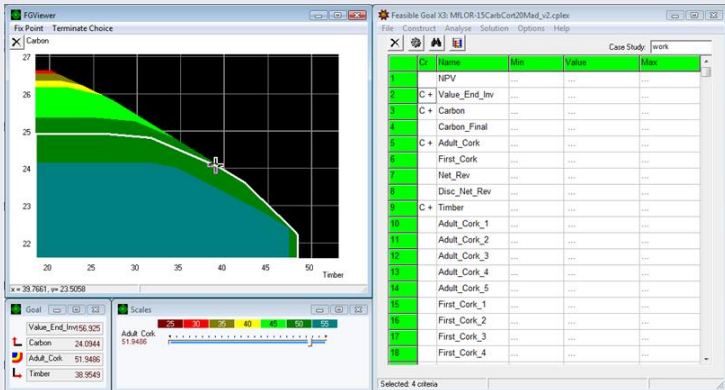
## Example 2 (modeling of the forests management)

Based on a multicriterion optimization method a **system of the decision suport for the forests management** was created in collaboration with Instituto Superior de Agronoimia in Lisbon

This method can be afterwards successively applied in other situations, for instance, for modeling of the **management of the hidro-resourses** (such as Alqueva)

# Numerical Methods. Examples of Application

## Example 2 (modeling of the forest management)



## Numerical Methods. Some recent publications

- J. Borges, J. Garcia-Gonzalo, **V. Bushenkov**, M. McDill, S. Marques and M. Oliveira, Addressing multi-criteria forest management with Pareto Frontier methods: an application in Portugal, *Forest Science* 60 (2014), 63-72
- T. Bodnar, **M. Pires** and J. Janela, Blood flow simulation using traceless variant of Johnson-Segalman viscoelastic model, *Math. Model. of Nat. Phen.* 9 (2014), 117 141
- **F. Carapau** and J. Janela, A one-dimensional model for unsteady axisymmetric swirling motion of a viscous fluid in a variable radius straight circular tube, *Int. J. Eng. Science* 72 (2013), 107-116
- R. Fragoso, **V. Bushenkov** and C. Marques, Multi-objective water allocation in the Alqueva Region, *New Medit.* 9 (2010), 28-35
- **F. Carapau**, One-dimensional viscoelastic fluid model where viscosity and normal stress coefficients depend on the shear rate, *Nonlinear Anal.: Real World Appl.* 11 (2010) 4342-4354



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  - F. Pereira
  - T. Santos
- Collaborators
  - N. Freire
  - E. Zappale (Italy)
  - V. Roshchina (Australy)

## Fields of research

- Application of the methods of **Nonlinear Functional Analysis** in CV
  - **Existence theorems** for vector variational problems;
  - **Relaxation** and other qualitative properties of solutions;
  - **Homogenization**;
  - **Strong Maximum Principle**
- **Convex and Nonsmooth Analysis**
  - **Geometry of convex solids** in Hilbert (Banach) spaces;
  - **Weakly convex sets**;
  - Properties of the **generalized subgradients**;
  - Properties of **conic problems**;
  - **Metric regularity**;
  - **Best approximation problems**
- **Time Optimal Control** in Hilbert and Banach spaces
- **Multivalued Analysis** and **Differential Inclusions**
- **Abstract Functional Analysis**. Interpolation of linear operators

## Main recent achievements

- Some theorems on **relaxation** for vector problems of Calculus of Variations including a **nonlinear optimal design problem** for various growth assumptions are proved;
- **3D-2D dimensional reduction** for micromagnetics thin films is proposed;
- **Existence of a solution** in some vector variational problem with the **knitting boundary data** is proved, and the application to a **plastic surgery problem** is given;
- New versions of the **Strong Maximum Principle** for elliptic variational functional with a **generalized symmetry assumptions** are proposed;
- **Quantitative characteristics of convex bodies** in a Hilbert space are introduced and studied;
- **Pointwise version of weak convexity** in Hilbert spaces is introduced and unified with **strong convexity**;

## Main recent achievements

- Notion of **directed subdifferential** (in the Demyanov's sense) is extended to a class of functions more general than quasidifferentiable;
- Finite precision analysis of the **17<sup>th</sup> Smale problem** is given;
- **Complementarity partition result** for ill-posed multifold conic systems is obtained;
- **Condition measure of smoothing algorithm for matrix games** is calculated by using the metric regularity;
- **Bodies with zero resistance and invisibility** in geometrical optics are studied;

## Main recent achievements

- Geometric conditions for **well-posedness of a best approximation problem** in a Hilbert space are given;
- **Regularity of the value function** in a kind of **Optimal Time Control problem** near the target is studied;
- Relations between **well-posedness of the optimal time control problem** (with the constant convex dynamics) and the **Fréchet differentiability of the value function** in Banach spaces are established;
- Existence of an **exposed solution to a differential inclusion** under a Hölder assumption is proved in two-dimensional space;
- **Stochastic approach to Differential Inclusions** is developed;
- Some **compactness properties in general topological spaces** are studied;
- Some results on **Banach lattices and interpolation of linear operators** are obtained

# Variational, Multivalued and Functional Analysis. Example of Application

## Example (plastic surgery)

We study a **vector variational problem** with non traditional boundary conditions, which appear in the **plastic surgery**, namely, in modeling of the **woman's breast**

We are interested in **knitting of the breast tissues**. Considering the breast as a superelastic body we should minimize the energy functional, which depends on the gradient of the **tissue displacement**  $u(\cdot)$ :

$$\int_{\Omega} W(\nabla u(x)) dx$$

where  $W$  is a **polyconvex integrand** satisfying **natural growth assumptions**, including **coercivity**

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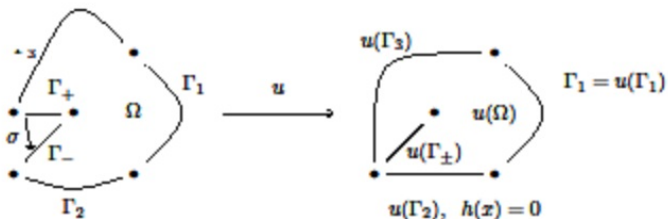
## Example (plastic surgery)

Furthermore, we should guarantee that the various parts of the breast surface were knitted carefully. Namely,

- one of the piece  $\Gamma_1$  coincides with a part of the woman's chest, which was not cut. So, the displacement here should verify  $u(x) = x$ ;
- another piece  $\Gamma_2$  should be knitted with a fixed chest surface, so the boundary condition on  $\Gamma_2$  is  $h(u(x)) = 0$ ;
- one more piece  $\Gamma_3$  is divided into two parts  $\Gamma^+$  and  $\Gamma^-$ , which should be knitted one to other, and the respective condition is  $u(\sigma(x)) = u(x)$  being  $\sigma(\cdot)$  an unknown function;
- finally, one part of the breast surface  $\Gamma_4$  is left free allowing a flexibility of the tissue during the knitting process

# Variational, Multivalued and Functional Analysis. Example of Application

## Example (plastic surgery)





# Variational, Multivalued and Functional Analysis. Some recent publications

- G. Colombo and **V. Goncharov**, Brownian motion and exposed solutions of differential inclusions, *NoDEA* 20 (2013), 323-343
- A. Plakhov and **V. Roshchina**, Fractal bodies invisible in 2 and 3 direction, *Discr. Cont. Dynam. Syst A* 33 (2013), 1615-1631
- **N. Freire**, Characterizations of distributions in a open subset of  $R^n$ . Positive distributions, *Global J. Pure and Appl. Math.* 9 (2013), 505-512
- **V. Goncharov** and **F. Pereira**, Geometric conditions for regularity in a time-minimum problem with constant dynamics, *J. Conv. Anal.* 19 (2012), 631-669

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- **G. Carita** and **E. Zappale**, 3D-2D dimensional reduction for a nonlinear optimal design problem with perimeter penalization, *Comptes Rendus Math. Acad. Sci. Paris* 350 (2012), 1011-1016
- J. Peña and **V. Roshchina**, A complementarity partition theorem for multifold conic systems, *Math. Progr* 142 (2012), 579-589
- **G. Carita**, I. Fonseca and G. Leoni, Relaxation in  $SBV_p(\Omega; S^{d-1})$ , *Calc. Var. Partial Dif. Equat.* 42 (2011), 211-255
- **V. Goncharov** and **T. Santos**, Local estimates for minimizers of some convex integral functional of the gradient and the Strong Maximum Principle, *Set-Valued Var. Anal.* 19 (2011), 79-202

Last five years 6 persons concluded and successfully defended their PhD Theses, and 4 of them became assistant professors of the Mathematical Department and the effective members of CIMA, while 2 are collaborators because they work in other institutions

## List of PhD Theses

- **S. Chá** (2013) Convex and non-convex problems in Calculus of Variations. Advisors: A. Ornelas and C. Carlota
- **L.B. Bicho** (2012) Existence and regularity for minimizers of convex and nonconvex multiple integrals of the calculus of variations under pointwise-constraints. Advisor: A.Ornelas
- **T. Santos** (2012) Some versions of the Strong Maximum Principle for elliptic integral functional. Advisors: V. Goncharov and A. Cellina
- **J. Fialho** (2012) Existence, localization and multiplicity results for nonlinear and functional higher order BVP. Advisor: F. Minhos
- **F. Pereira** (2010) Geometric conditions of regularity in some kind of minimal time problems. Advisor: V. Goncharov
- **L. Bandeira** (2009) Analysis of new situations for quasiconvexity versus rank-one convexity in  $2 \times 2$  and other dimensions. Advisors: P. Pedregal and A. Ornelas