Abstraction in PyLith

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PyLith... simulates crustal deformation focused on earthquake faulting, both quasi-static and dynamic.

PyLith... is actively developed since 2004, with >1000 downloads per release.

PyLith... has over 180 citations (Scholar), and 60 papers based on it (CIG).



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PyLith supports... nonlinear fault rheologies, flexible rupture definitions, scalable FEM solvers, and output over subsurfaces.



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higher order elements, multiphysics problems, geometric MG on the full problem, and anisotropic AMR. We want to enhance functionality, while limiting complexity. We want to enhance functionality, while limiting complexity.

We achieve this goal through flexible, generalizable interfaces.

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$$\begin{split} F(u) &= \int_{\Omega} \psi \cdot f_0(u, \nabla u, x) + \\ &\int_{\Omega} \nabla \psi : \vec{f_1}(u, \nabla u, x) + \\ &\sum_{\Gamma} \int_{\Gamma} \psi^{bd} \cdot f_0^{bd}(u, \nabla u, x) + \\ &\sum_{\Gamma} \int_{\Gamma} \nabla \psi^{bd} : \vec{f_1}^{bd}(u, \nabla u, x) \end{split}$$

Linear Isotropic Elasticity $(u; \lambda, \mu)$

```
f1_u(...) {
  for (c = 0; c < Nc; ++c) {
    for (d = 0; d < dim; ++d) {
      f1[c*dim+d] += mu*(u_x[c*dim+d] + u_x[d*dim+c]);
      f1[c*dim+c] += lambda*u_x[d*dim+d];
    }
}</pre>
```

Large Deformation Elasticity $(u, p; \kappa, \mu)$

```
f1 u(...) {
  Cof3D(cofu_x, u_x); Det3D(\&detu_x, u_x);
  p = u[uOff[1]] + kappa * (detu_x - 1.0);
  for (c = 0; c < Nc; ++c) {
    for (d = 0; d < \dim; ++d) {
      f1[c*dim+d] = mu * u_x[c*dim+d] + p * cofu_x[c*dim+d];
   }
  } }
f0_p(...) {
  Det3D(\&detu x, u x);
  f0[0] = detu = 1.0;
}
f0_bd_u(..., n) {
  const PetscScalar wall_p = a[aOff[1]];
  Cof3D(cofu x, u x);
  for (c = 0; c < Nc; ++c) {
    for (d = 0; d < \dim; ++d) f0[c] += cofu_x[c*dim+d] * n[d];
    f0[c] \approx wall p;
  } }
```

Poroelasticity $(u, e, p_f; \lambda, \mu, \alpha, \kappa)$

```
f1 u(...) {
  p_f = u[uOff[2]];
  for (c = 0; c < Nc; ++c) {
    for (d = 0; d < \dim; ++d) {
      f1[c*dim+d] += mu*(u x[c*dim+d] + u x[d*dim+c]);
      f1[c*dim+c] += lambda*u_x[d*dim+d];
    f1[c*dim+c] += alpha*p_f;
f0_e(...) {
  for (d = 0; d < \dim; ++d) divu += u_x[d*dim+d];
 f0[0] = divu - u[uOff[1]];
f1_p(...) {
 for (d = 0; d < \dim; ++d) f0[d] -= kappa*u_x[uOff_x[2]+d];
```

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Import data from function f into FEM vector A

 $DMPlexProject(\ldots, f, \ldots, A)$

This works in any dimension.

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PyLith's spatial data can be used as f, and evaluated at any x, independent of the mesh.

Create a boundary condition C from a function f and constitutive model parameters in vector A

DMPlexProject (..., f, ..., A, C)

spatialdata makes boundary/initial condition independent of the mesh.

Create a boundary condition C from a function f and *boundary* model parameters in vector A,

DMPlexProject (..., f, ..., A, C)

such as time-dependent boundary displacements.

Create a rupture condition F from a function f and *boundary* model parameters in vector A,

 $DMPlexProject(\ldots, f, \ldots, A, F)$

such as rupture parameters that sequence events.

Output normal stress on fault S from a function s and *bulk* model solution in vector A

DMPlexProject(..., s, ..., A, S)

```
s(...) {
for (c = 0; c < Nc; ++c) {
   for (d = 0; d < dim; ++d) {
      stress[c*dim+d] += mu*(u_x[c*dim+d] + u_x[d*dim+c]);
      stress[c*dim+c] += lambda*u_x[d*dim+d];
   }
   for (d = 0; d < dim; ++d) f0[c] += stress[c*dim+d]*n[d];
  }
}</pre>
```

Update PyLith state variables SV with function sv, using the old state variables and old solution as auxiliary data A,

DMPlexProject (..., sv, ..., A, SV)

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This also enables MG on the full problem.





















PyLith

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