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Regularity and singularities of optimal convex shapes in the plane

This talk focuses on the analysis of solutions Ω_0 to problems of shape optimization among convex planar sets, that is to say:

$$J(\Omega_0) = \min\{J(\Omega), \Omega \text{ convex}, \Omega \in \mathcal{S}_{ad}\},$$

where \mathcal{S}_{ad} is a set of 2-dimensional admissible shapes and $J : \mathcal{S}_{ad} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a shape functional.

Our main goal is to obtain qualitative properties of these optimal shapes by using first and second order optimality conditions.

We prove two types of results:

i) under a suitable convexity property of the functional J , we prove that Ω_0 is a $W^{2,p}$ -set, $p \in [1, \infty]$. This result applies when the shape functional can be written as $J(\Omega) = R(\Omega) + P(\Omega)$, where $R(\Omega) = F(|\Omega|, E_f(\Omega), \lambda_1(\Omega))$ involves the area $|\Omega|$, the Dirichlet energy $E_f(\Omega)$ or the first eigenvalue of the Laplace operator $\lambda_1(\Omega)$ (with Dirichlet boundary conditions on $\partial\Omega$), and $P(\Omega)$ is the perimeter of Ω . In such case Ω_0 is a $C^{1,1}$ -set, that is to say that the curvature of $\partial\Omega_0$ is bounded, and

ii) under a suitable concavity assumption on the functional J , we prove that Ω_0 is a polygon. This result applies when the functional is now written as $J(\Omega) = R(\Omega) - P(\Omega)$, with the same notations as above.

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