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**Hadamard Semidifferentials,  
Semidifferential of Parametrized Minima,  
and Applications to  
Shape and Topological Derivatives**

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**Abstract:** Motivated by the notions of shape and topological derivatives, we revisit the [Hadamard semidifferential](#), for which a complete [semidifferential calculus](#) is available, including the [chain rule](#). Among its numerous applications, it coincides with the [conical derivative](#) of Mignot [[Contrôle dans les inéquations variationnelles elliptiques](#), *J. Funct. Anal.*, 22 (1976), 130–185] and it is a natural tool for differentiation along trajectories in [automatic differentiation](#). For [real-valued functions](#) we recall the [generalized directional derivative](#) (an upper semidifferential) for which some form of differential calculus is restored by going to [subdifferentials](#). Both families of functions contain the [convex functions](#), but [they are not contained in one another](#). The choice is problem dependent, but the Hadamard semidifferential is more suitable for our purpose.

The object of this lecture is the [differentiation of the infimum](#) of [parametrized objective functions](#) with respect to the parameters as in Danskin [[The theory of max-min, with applications](#), *SIAM J. on Appl. Math.* (4) 14 (1966), 641–644] who obtained a [semidifferential](#) equal to the infimum over the set of minimizers of the one-sided directional derivative with respect to the parameters.

Yet, in applications to the [topological and shape derivatives](#) of the [compliance](#), examples reveal the possible occurrence of an extra negative term: the so-called [polarization term](#) in Mechanics.

The object of this lecture is to introduce [new theorems](#) that can accommodate the occurrence of an [extra term](#). For the shape derivative, the associated technique is a [change of variable](#) to work on the fixed initial domain; for the topological derivative, it is an [extension over the hole](#) created by the topological perturbation of the domain.

This work has applications to [compliance problems](#) and to [eigenvalue problems](#) where the [first eigenvalue](#) is [not simple](#).(see Delfour, [[One-sided Derivative of Parametrized Minima for Shape and Topological Derivatives](#), *SIAM J. Control Optim.*, accepted December 2022]).

Similar considerations apply to [constrained objective functions](#) via the one-sided derivative of the [minimax of a parametrized Lagrangian](#) (see Delfour [[Topological Derivative of State Constrained Objective Functions: a Direct Approach](#), *SIAM J. on Control and Optim.* (1) 60 (2022), 22–47]).