

I need to calculate the variation of :

$$S(\bar{\xi}) = \int_0^{\bar{\xi}} \|x_{,\xi}^1(\xi)\| d\xi \quad (1)$$

First choice :

$$\frac{\partial S(\bar{\xi})}{\partial \xi} = \left\| x_{,\bar{\xi}}^P \right\| \frac{\partial \bar{\xi}}{\partial \xi} \quad (2)$$

Witch gives :

$$\delta S(\bar{\xi}) = \left\| x_{,\bar{\xi}}^P \right\| \delta \bar{\xi}$$

I have applied Leibniz formula :

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{u(x)}^{v(x)} f(t) dt = f(u(x)) \frac{du(x)}{dx} - f(v(x)) \frac{dv(x)}{dx}$$

Second choice

$$\delta S(\bar{\xi}) = \int_0^{\bar{\xi}(x_i^A, x_i^s)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^A} \|x_{,\xi}^1(x_i^A, \xi)\| d\xi \delta x_i^A + \left\| x_{,\bar{\xi}}^P \right\| \delta \bar{\xi} = \int_0^{\bar{\xi}(x_i^A, x_i^s)} \frac{x_{,\xi}^1}{\|x_{,\xi}^1\|} N_{,\xi}^A d\xi \delta x_i^A + \left\| x_{,\bar{\xi}}^P \right\| \delta \bar{\xi}$$

with :

$$x_{,\xi}^1 = N_{,\xi}^A x_i^A$$

I don't Know witch of this tow choice was wright ?

Thanks for Your help !