

$$0 = \int_0^L \left\{ a(x) \frac{d}{dx}(\delta u) \frac{du}{dx} - \delta u f(x) \right\} dx - \delta u(L) Q_L$$

Bilinear Form

The weak form will contain 2 types of expressions, those involving δu & u and those involving only δu

Group:

$$B(\delta u, u) = \int_0^L a(x) \frac{d}{dx}(\delta u) \frac{du}{dx} dx$$

$$Q(\delta u) = \int_0^L \delta u f(x) dx + \delta u(L) Q_L$$

We can write the problem is stated as, find u :

$$B(\delta u, u) = Q(\delta u) \Rightarrow \text{this is known as the "variational problem"}$$

The functional $B(\delta u, u)$ is said to be bilinear

$$B(\alpha u_1 + \beta u_2, v) = \alpha B(u_1, v) + \beta B(u_2, v)$$

$$B(u, \alpha v_1 + \beta v_2) = \alpha B(u, v_1) + \beta B(u, v_2)$$

and $B(u, v) = B(v, u)$

If $B(\cdot, \cdot)$ is bilinear & symm. and $Q(\cdot)$ is linear
we have

$$B(\delta u, u) = \frac{1}{2} \delta B(u, u), \quad L(\delta u) = \delta Q(u)$$

$$\begin{aligned} B(\delta u, u) &= \int_0^L a \frac{d}{dx}(\delta u) \frac{du}{dx} dx = \delta \int_0^L \frac{a}{2} \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \delta \int_0^L a \frac{du}{dx} \frac{du}{dx} dx = \frac{1}{2} \delta B(u, u) \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite

$$B(\delta u, u) = l(\delta u) \Rightarrow B(\delta u, u) - l(\delta u) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \delta B(u, u) - \delta l(u) \equiv \delta I(u) = 0$$

So we can restate the variational problem as a minimization
(stationary value)

$$\underline{I(u)} = \frac{1}{2} B(u, u) - l(u)$$

Ritz Method

Use the "weak form". Has the advantage that the approximating functions (ϕ_i 's) only need to satisfy the essential B.C.'s, since the natural conditions are included. We seek an approximate solution of the form

$$u \approx u^h = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \phi_j(x)$$

$$I(u) = \frac{1}{2} B(u, u) - l(u)$$

$$u \rightarrow u^h$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_j} = 0$$

Example.

$$-\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + u + x^2 = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < x < 1$$

$$\text{with } u(0) = 0, \quad u(1) = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\int_0^1 \left\{ \frac{d}{dx}(\delta u) \frac{du}{dx} - \delta u u \right\} dx}_{B(\delta u, u)} + \underbrace{\int_0^1 \delta u x^2 dx}_{l(\delta u)} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_1} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_3} = 0$$

$$I(u) = \frac{1}{2} B(u, u) - l(u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 - u^2 + 2x^2 u \right] dx$$

$$\text{Now } u^h = c_1 x(1-x) + c_2 x^2(1-x) + c_3 x^3(1-x)$$

Interpolation Functions?

Again we

$$u \approx u_h = c_j \phi_j + \phi_0$$

ϕ_0 satisfies the essential B.C.'s

otherwise the ϕ_j have to satisfy the following:

- 1.) - ϕ_j must be selected such that $B(\phi_i, \phi_j)$ is defined and nonzero
i.e. they must have the proper continuity requirement

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad u_h = x$$

- ϕ_j must satisfy the homogeneous form of the specified B.C.'s i.e. $u(0) = u_0 \rightarrow \phi_j$ must satisfy $u(0) = 0$

- 2.) The set of $\{\phi_j\}$ must be linearly independent

$$c_1 = x(1-x) \quad c_2 = x^2(1-x) \quad c_3 = 2x^2(1-x)$$

3.) The set $\{\phi_j\}$'s must be complete

$$\{x, x^2, x^3, x^4\} \rightarrow \text{complete}$$

$$\{x, y, xy, x^2y, xy^2, x^2y^2\} \rightarrow \text{complete}$$

$$\{x^3, x^5, x^{25}\} \rightarrow \text{not complete}$$

$$\{x, x^2, xy^3\} \rightarrow \text{not complete}$$

4.) ϕ_0 must be the lowest order function that satisfies the ^{essential} A.B.C.s

Almost polynomials ///