

Matrix Assembly of FE Equations

- In FD common to proceed "molecule-by-molecule" each represents single difference eqn.
- In FE more natural to proceed "element-by-element" need to integrate over problem domain \Rightarrow union of nonoverlapping elements...

e.g. $[A]\{u\} = \{b\}$

where $a_{ij} = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_j}{dx} \frac{d\phi_i}{dx} + f\phi_i\phi_j \right\rangle$; $b_i = \left\langle g\phi_i \right\rangle - \frac{du}{dx}\phi_i \Big|_0^L$

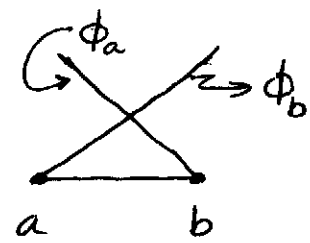
then $\langle () \rangle = \int () dx = \underbrace{\sum_{\text{elements}} \int_e () dx}_{\text{Sum of elements Comprises entire domain}} = \sum_e \underbrace{\langle \rangle^e}_{\text{element Contribution to inner product}}$

so $[A] = \sum_e \underbrace{[A]^e}_{\text{"element matrix"... i.e. contains all contributions to [A] for a given element}}$

likewise $\{b\} = \sum_e \{b\}^e$

- to get $[A]^e$ need to determine contributions from a general element

e.g. 1D linear (Chapeau)



- only 2 "alive" (i.e. nonzero) in any element

a given row in $[A]$ \rightarrow

- each weighting function constitutes a single eqn. in unknown coefficients... 2 possible weighting functions: ϕ_a, ϕ_b

a given column in $[A]$ \rightarrow

- each basis function has a corresponding unknown coefficient... 2 possible basis functions: ϕ_a, ϕ_b

All possible combinations...

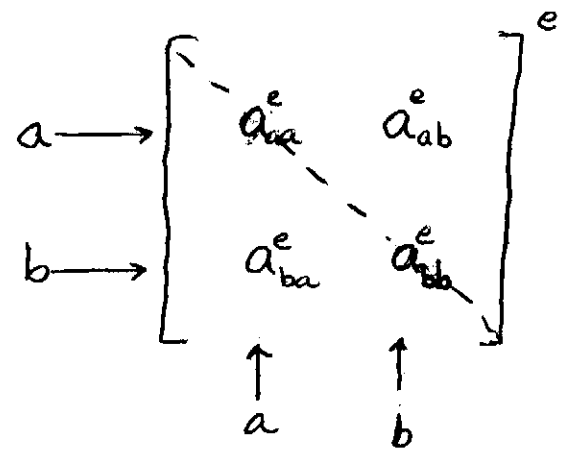
Weighting function (row)

ϕ_a
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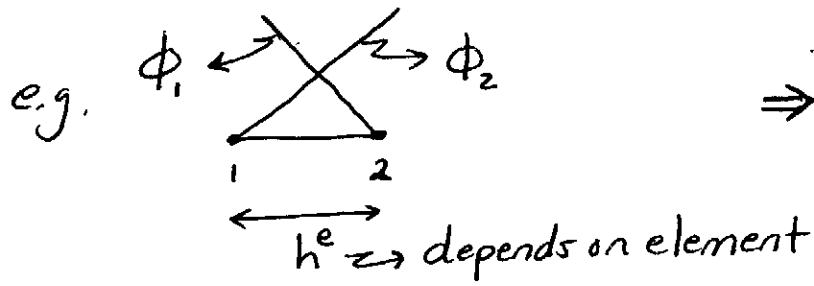
Basis function (column)

ϕ_a
 ϕ_b
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so $[A]^e$ has only 4 nonzero coefficients: $a_{aa}^e; a_{ab}^e; a_{ba}^e; a_{bb}^e$



So $[A]^e$ may be stored as a 2×2 submatrix ^③
 where we use a "local" node numbering scheme



$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^e & a_{12}^e \\ a_{21}^e & a_{22}^e \end{bmatrix}$$

Structure the same
 regardless of PDE for
 linear 1D element....
 only details of coefficients
 differ

$$a_{11}^e = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_1}{dx} \frac{d\phi_1}{dx} + f\phi_1\phi_1 \right\rangle^e = -\frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{3}$$

$$a_{12}^e = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_2}{dx} \frac{d\phi_1}{dx} + f\phi_2\phi_1 \right\rangle^e = \frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{6}$$

$$a_{22}^e = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_2}{dx} \frac{d\phi_2}{dx} + f\phi_2\phi_2 \right\rangle^e = -\frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{3}$$

$$a_{21}^e = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_1}{dx} \frac{d\phi_2}{dx} + f\phi_1\phi_2 \right\rangle^e = \frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{6}$$

$$b_1^e = \langle g\phi_1 \rangle^e = \frac{gh^e}{2}$$

$$b_2^e = \langle g\phi_2 \rangle^e = \frac{gh^e}{2}$$

(assume g constant... and
 neglecting boundary term
 for the moment...)

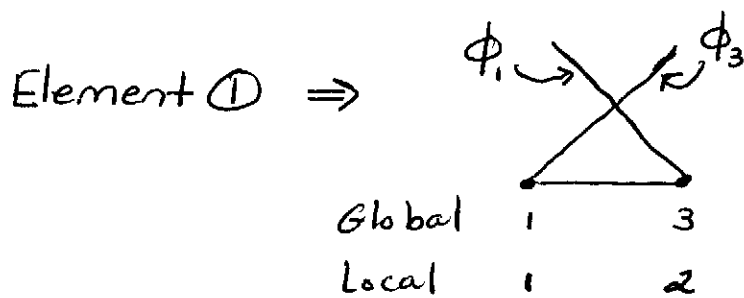
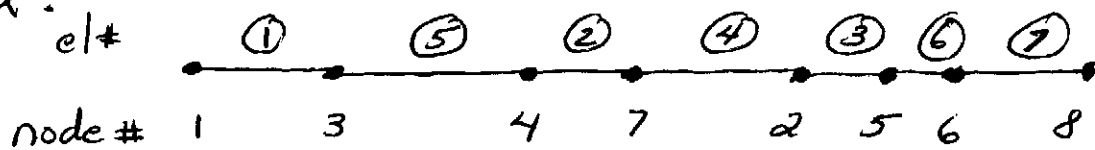
so

$$[A]^e = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{3} & \frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{6} \\ \frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{6} & -\frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{fh^e}{3} \end{bmatrix}; \{b\}^e = \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{gh^e}{2} \\ \frac{gh^e}{2} \end{Bmatrix}$$

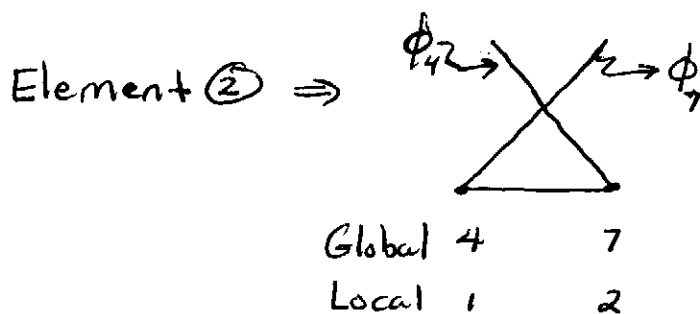
- Now need union of $[A]^e$... i.e. need to assemble "Global" $[A]$ matrix and $\{b\}$ vector

- Achieved through "Incidence List" ... relates local node #'s to global node #'s ... i.e. mapping of local element entries into Global matrix

ex:



$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11}^e &\rightarrow a_{11} \\
 a_{12}^e &\rightarrow a_{13} \\
 a_{21}^e &\rightarrow a_{31} \\
 a_{22}^e &\rightarrow a_{33} \\
 \text{Local} &\quad \text{Global}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{11}^e &\rightarrow a_{44} \\
 a_{12}^e &\rightarrow a_{47} \\
 a_{21}^e &\rightarrow a_{74} \\
 a_{22}^e &\rightarrow a_{77} \\
 \text{Local} &\quad \text{Global}
 \end{aligned}$$

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etc

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Generally : $IN(e, J) = \text{Global Node \#}$

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 element # local node #

then for element # e

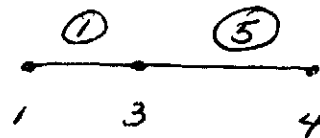
$$a_{11}^e \rightarrow A(IN(e, 1), IN(e, 1))$$

$$a_{21}^e \rightarrow A(IN(e, 2), IN(e, 1))$$

\vdots
etc

always add in contributions to Global Matrix... each entry in Global matrix may receive contributions from more than one element... i.e. need union of elements

e.g. from our 1D example :



element assembly hits global node #3 twice... once during el #1 and once during el #5

$X \equiv \text{contribution el } \textcircled{1}$
 $O \equiv \text{contribution el } \textcircled{5}$

	Col 1	Col 3	Col 4
Row 1	X	X	
Row 3	X	\textcircled{X}	O
Row 4		O	O

this entry hit twice
want...

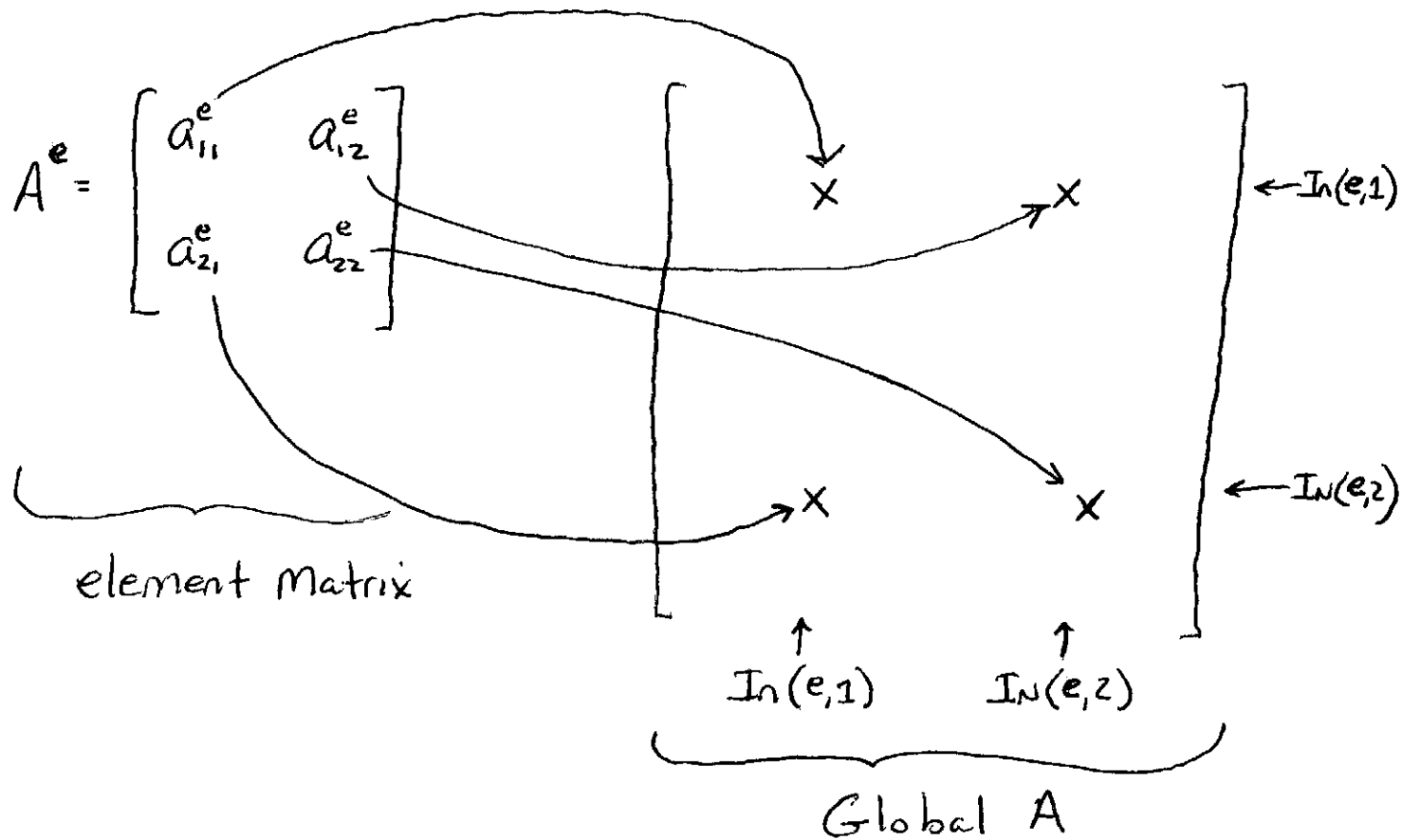
$$A(3,3) = X + O$$

Global A

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• More generally we have

\textcircled{e}
 $\text{In}(e,1) \quad \text{In}(e,2) \quad \text{Global \#s}$
 $1 \quad 2 \quad \text{local \#s}$



- Size of element matrix (i.e. 2×2 , 3×3 , etc) depends on element type ... i.e. # nodes/element ... regardless of PDE
- Assembly of element matrix into global matrix depends on global node numbering ... regardless of PDE
- Entries in element matrix depend on PDE ... i.e. a_{11}^e, a_{12}^e etc.
- Problem domain depends only on # of elements

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Recall Example... $\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} + fu = g$ $u(0) = 1$
 $\frac{du}{dx}(l) = 5$

So far we have...

- ① Generated weighted residual equation which is one row in $[A]\{u\} = \{b\}$ as

$$a_{ij} = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_j}{dx} \frac{dw_i}{dx} \right\rangle + \left\langle f\phi_j w_i \right\rangle$$

$$b_i = \left\langle g w_i \right\rangle - w_i \left. \frac{du}{dx} \right|_0^l$$

- ② Chosen a basis for approximate sol'n

Chapeau functions: $u = \sum u_j \phi_j(x)$

- ③ Chosen weights w_i to be $\phi_i(x)$ (Galerkin)

- ④ Assembled all equations in matrix

$$\int () dx = \sum_e \int_e () dx \text{ for each eqn!}$$

but we consider all possible eqn's (rows) for each element... need only a single pass through elements

Left to do ... Apply BC's !!

ex $\begin{matrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 2 & \dots & N & \dots & \dots & N \end{matrix}$ Node #

a.) Type I BC ... Satisfy $u_i = 0$ exactly

- Similar to FD ... remove $\langle R, \phi_i \rangle$ from Galerkin set of eqn's (analogous to not using PDE molecule on boundary in FD)
- One less unknown in algebraic system for each Type I boundary node
- Simplest to save room in matrix for $\langle R, \phi_i \rangle$... i.e. assemble all elements as though all nodes are "interior" nodes... then after assembly but prior to matrix solution remove $\langle R, \phi_i \rangle$ and insert boundary condition equation
- Save $\langle R, \phi_i \rangle$ for later use \Rightarrow Conservation !!

b.) Type II BC ... Satisfy "weakly" in $\{b\}$

- $\{b\}$ has term $\phi_i \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_0 \dots$ involves BC into $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ and ϕ_i on boundary

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$$\Rightarrow \phi_i(L) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L) - \phi_i(0) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0)$$

- But for i as an interior node ...

$$\phi_i(0) = \phi_i(L) = 0$$

- At Type I boundary ... ϕ_i removed

$$\text{- At } i=N : \underbrace{\phi_N(L)}_1 \underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L)}_5 - \underbrace{\phi_N(0)}_0 \underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0)}_?$$

so $b_i = \langle g \phi_i \rangle$ at interior nodes

$$b_N = \langle g \phi_N \rangle - 5$$

c.) Type III BC ... similar to Type II approach

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + u = 5$$

$$\text{then: } -\phi_N \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L = \underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_L}_{\text{goes in } [A] \text{ at } a_{nn}} - 5 \quad \leftarrow \text{goes in } \{b\} \text{ at } b_N$$

$$\text{i.e. } a_{nn} = \left\langle -\frac{d\phi_N}{dx} \frac{d\phi_N}{dx} + f \phi_N \phi_N \right\rangle - \alpha$$

$$b_n = \langle g, \phi_N \rangle - 5$$

Summarize ...

Type I: "Throw away Galerkin Equation"; use BC data directly

Type II+III: retain Galerkin equation, apply BC directly in $\phi_i \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \Big|_0^L$

In fact... for Type I the discarded Galerkin equation is the equation for determining the unknown "flux" $\frac{du}{dx}$:

e.g. at Node 1 the equation we didn't use ...

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_j u_j \left\langle \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} + f \phi_i \phi_j \right\rangle - \langle g \phi_i \rangle = \overbrace{\phi_i(0) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(0)}^1 - \cancel{\phi_i(L) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(L)} \\
 & \quad \quad \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{Coefficients in 1st Row of A before removed}} \quad \quad \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{Right-hand-side before BC data enforced}}
 \end{aligned}$$

known, once sol'n computed

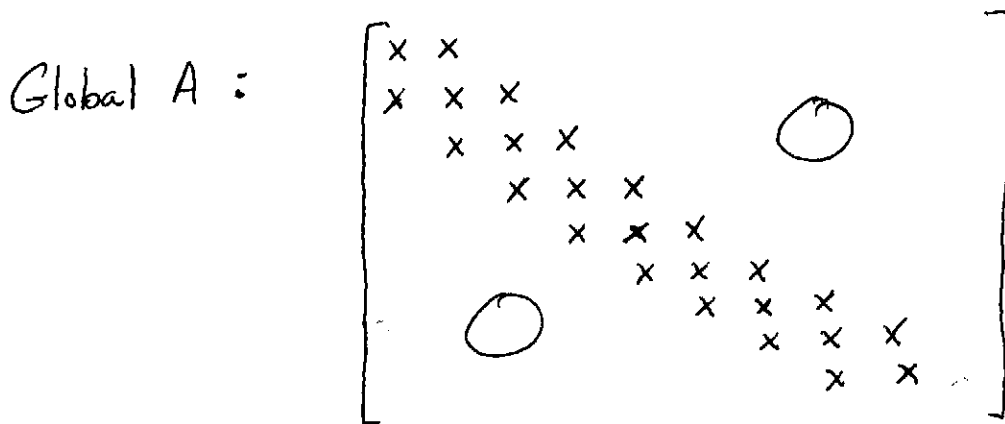
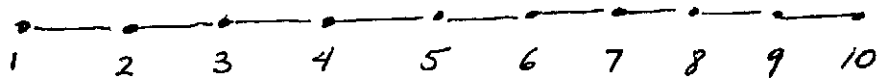
Left-side of this relation is known... Right side is the desired quantity !!

Banded Matrices in 1D:

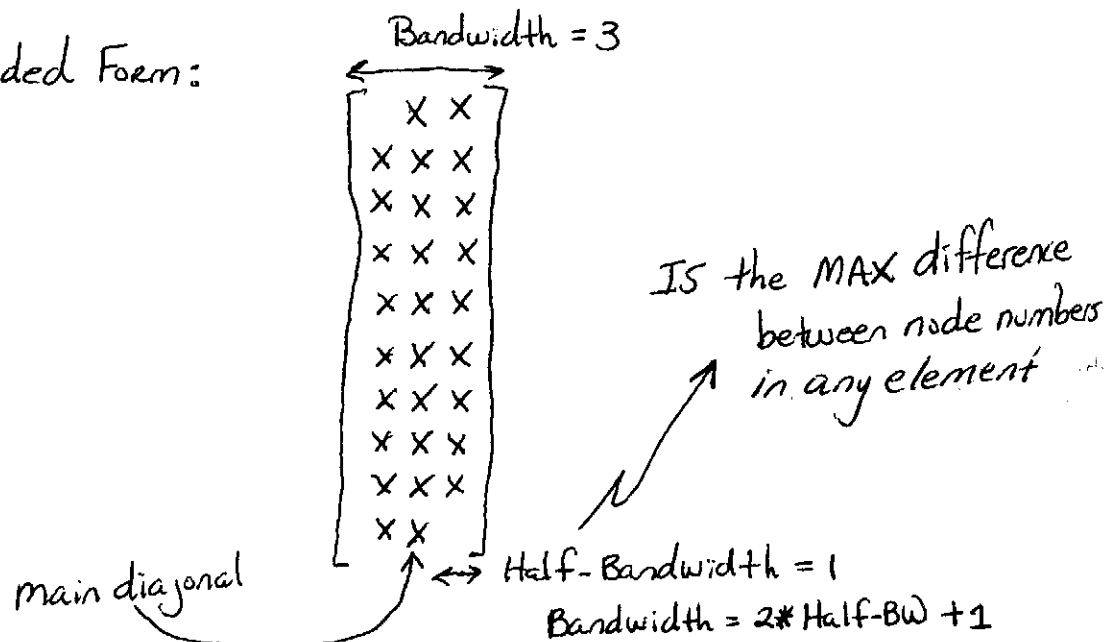
- Linear elements

- want to use natural ordering of node numbers... leads to Tridiagonal system...
use Thomas algorithm

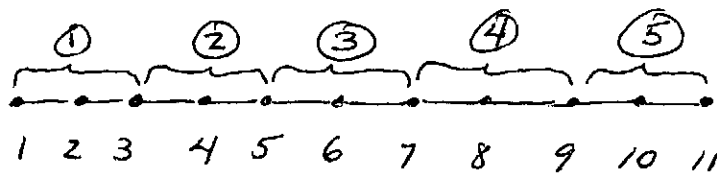
e.g.



Formally in Banded Form:

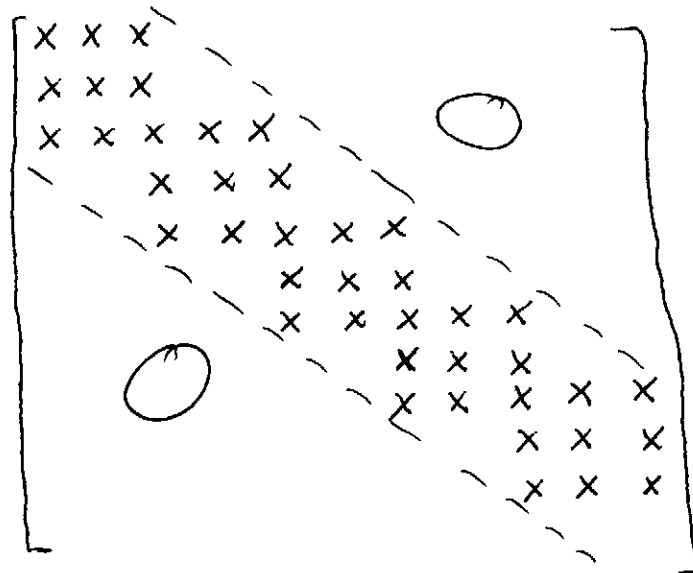


• Quadratic elements



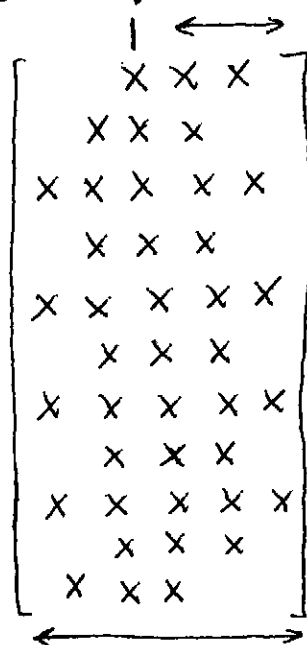
- In Banded form expect: Half BW = 2 (e.g. All elements have max difference of 2 between node #s)
 $BW = 2(2) + 1 = 5$

- Full Matrix form:



main diagonal

- Banded Form:



Half BW = 2

Simple shift of columns to put in Banded form... Rows stay the same

$$NDIAG \equiv \text{Half-BW} + 1$$

$$J_{\text{Banded}} = NDIAG + J_{\text{Full}} - I$$

↑
Column

↑ ↑
Column Row

Full BW = 5