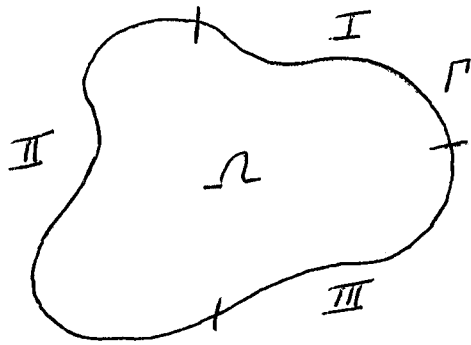


# Multi-D BEM

Ex: Poisson Egn:  $\nabla^2 u = f$

BC's: Type I or II or III on closed surface  
 $u$ ,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n}$ ,  $au + b\frac{\partial u}{\partial n}$



Domain  $\Omega$   
 Boundary  $\Gamma$

Green's Fctn:  $\nabla^2 G_i = -\delta(r_i)$

Be careful about  
 sign convention

$$\langle \nabla^2 u, G_i \rangle = -\langle \nabla u \cdot \nabla G_i \rangle + \oint \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i ds = \langle f G_i \rangle$$

$$\langle \nabla^2 G_i, u \rangle = -\langle \nabla G_i \cdot \nabla u \rangle + \oint \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} u ds = \langle -\delta_i \cdot u \rangle$$

Subtract:

$$\langle \delta_i u \rangle = \underbrace{\oint \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i - \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} u \right) ds}_{\text{Homog. Sol'n (effects of BC's)}} - \underbrace{\langle f G_i \rangle}_{\text{Particular Sol'n (effects of forcing)}}$$

Same expression  
 as before!

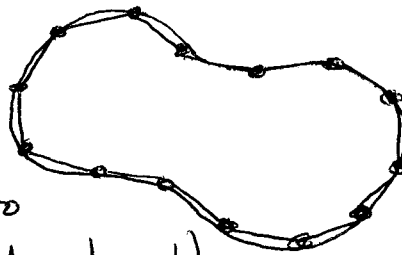
Note: use of  $\nabla^2 G_i = \delta(r_i)$  changes sign of all  
 rhs terms

Sol'n method: 2-Step Procedure

- a.) Compute "missing" BC
- b.) Use a.) to get interior sol'n

Step a.) - strategy is to employ  $G_i$  on boundary  
(i.e. move "i" to boundary)

So we discretize the boundary of the domain of interest



- Divide boundary into elements (boundary elements)
- Elements are basis of
  - i) local interpolation
  - ii) integration
 } just like FEM
- with  $N$  (boundary) nodes:
  - $2N$  variables:  $u_i, \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial n}$
  - $N$  BCs given
  - $N$  Green's Fctns on bdry (1/node)

This is a system of  $N$  eqn's in  $N$  unknowns!

(each  $G_i$  generates an equation... in effect,  $G_i$  plays the role of weighting function in WR scheme of things)

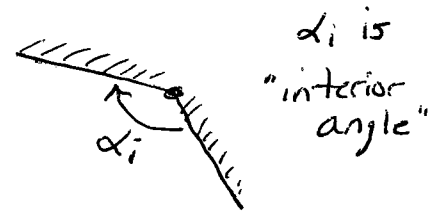
- On boundary:  $u(s) = \sum u_j \phi_j(s)$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(s) = \sum \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial n} \phi_j(s)$$

(2D BEM uses 1D bases... can have linear, quadratic, etc. ... same as 1D FEM)

- Since "i" moves to boundary which is discrete

$$\langle \delta_i u \rangle \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha_i}{2\pi} u_i$$



So  $\alpha = \pi$  on "smooth boundary" (straight)

$\alpha = 2\pi$  at interior pt

So the discretized boundary equations are:

$$\frac{\alpha_i}{2\pi} u_i = \sum_j \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial n} \oint G_i \phi_j(s) - \sum_j u_j \oint \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} \phi_j(s) - \langle f G_i \rangle$$

for  $i=1, 2, \dots, N$  (boundary nodes) produces

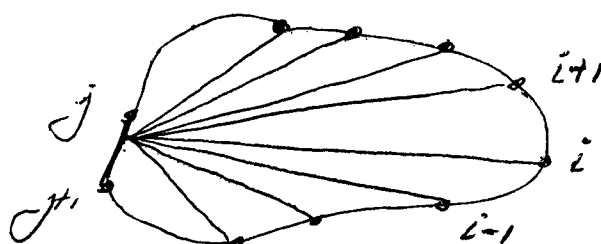
$$\overset{N \times N}{[A]} \overset{N \times 1}{\{u\}} = \overset{N \times N}{[B]} \overset{N \times 1}{\left\{ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \right\}} + \overset{N \times 1}{\{F\}} \quad \text{Matrix system}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} a_{ij} &= \frac{\alpha_i}{2\pi} \delta_{ij} + \oint \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} \phi_j \\ b_{ij} &= \oint G_i \phi_j \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Homogeneous Problem} \\ \text{only has boundary integrals} \end{array}$$

$$f_i = \langle -f G_i \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Inhomogeneous Problem has domain integrals}$$

## Features:

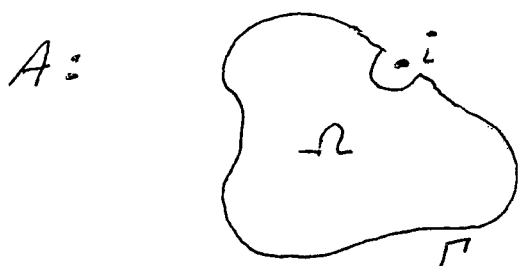
- $G_i$  is singular around "i"; need special care
- $G_i$  has global support  $\therefore$  matrix is full
- matrix is nonsymmetric
- each element contributes something to each equation



$$i \begin{bmatrix} & j & j^+ \\ & x & x \\ & x & x \\ i^+ & \cdots & x & x & \cdots \\ & x & x & x & x \\ & x & x & x & x \end{bmatrix}$$

## Disgression!

Look at boundary expression integrated around singularity "i" more closely ... do this from 2 perspectives:



"i" is on the "boundary" but  $\Omega$  is perturbed to exclude point "i", then let  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$



$\Omega$  perturbed to include "i" within semi-circle perturbation, then let  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$



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Case A: Since  $i$  excluded from  $\Omega$ , on  $\Omega$   $\nabla^2 G_i = 0$

So boundary expression becomes

$$\oint \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i - \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} u \, ds = 0$$

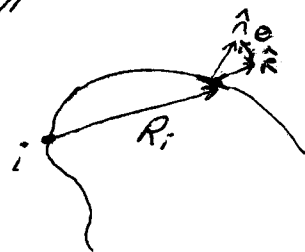
$$\text{But } \oint \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i \, ds = \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i \, ds + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i \, ds$$

$$\oint \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} u \, ds = \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} u \, ds + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} u \, ds$$

To see what is going on... easiest to examine a specific  $G_i$ .

$$\text{For Laplace in 2D: } G_i = -\frac{\ln(R_i)}{2\pi} \quad R_i = |(x, y) - (x_i, y_i)|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \text{also } \hat{n} \cdot \nabla G \right) & \rightarrow \frac{\partial G_i}{\partial n} = \frac{\partial G}{\partial R} \frac{\partial R}{\partial n} = \frac{-1}{2\pi R_i} \hat{R} \cdot \hat{n} \\ & = -\frac{1}{2\pi R_i} \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{So } \oint \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} G_i \, ds = \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} - \int_0^\pi \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \frac{\ln \epsilon}{2\pi} \epsilon \, d\theta$$

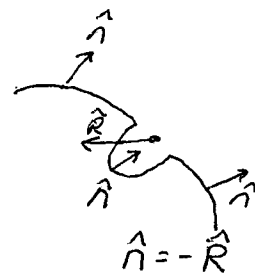
$$\text{Now } \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \epsilon \ln \epsilon = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \epsilon}{1/\epsilon} = \frac{\infty}{\infty} \Rightarrow \text{L'Hospital!}$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1/\epsilon}{-1/\epsilon^2} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} -\frac{\epsilon^2}{\epsilon} = 0 \quad \text{No contribution!}$$

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likewise for

$$\begin{aligned}
 \oint \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds &= \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds \\
 &= \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} - \int_0^\pi u \frac{1}{2\pi\epsilon} (-1) \epsilon d\theta \\
 &= \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} + \frac{u_i}{2\pi} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\pi d\theta = \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} + \frac{u_i}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{So... } \oint \frac{2u}{2n} G_i - \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds = \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{2u}{2n} G_i - \int_{\Gamma-\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{2G_i}{2n} u - \frac{u_i}{2} = 0$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\frac{u_i}{2} = \oint \frac{2u}{2n} G_i - \oint \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds} \quad \oint \equiv \text{Principal Part Integrals}$$

This is exactly the case  $\alpha = \pi$  (smooth boundary)

Get identical result for Case B:

In this case we have

$$u_i = \oint \frac{2u}{2n} G_i - \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds \quad (\text{since "i" is inside } \Omega) \\ \text{i.e. } \langle \delta, u \rangle = u_i$$

Same arguments as above can be used to

$$\text{show. } \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_\epsilon} \frac{2u}{2n} G_i = 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_\epsilon} u \frac{2G_i}{2n} ds = -\frac{u_i}{2} \quad (\text{since } \hat{R} = \hat{n})$$



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$$\text{So } u_i = \oint \frac{2u}{2n} G_i - \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds + \frac{u_i}{2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{u_i}{2} = \oint \frac{2u}{2n} G_i - \frac{2G_i}{2n} u ds \quad \text{Identical!!}$$

Now Back to Poisson Egn Solution via BEM!!

$$\text{Summarize: } \nabla^2 u = f$$

BEM Formulation:

$$\frac{\alpha_i}{2\pi} u_i = \sum_j \frac{2u_j}{2n} \oint G_i \phi_j - \sum_j u_j \oint \frac{2G_i}{2n} \phi_j - \langle f G_i \rangle$$

$$\text{where } G_i = -\frac{\ln(R_i)}{2\pi} ; \frac{2G_i}{2n} = -\frac{1}{2\pi R_i} \hat{R}_i \cdot \hat{n}, \alpha_i = \text{interior angle (radians)}$$

Matrix System:

$$[A]\{u\} = [B]\left\{\frac{2u}{2n}\right\} + \{F\}$$

$$\text{where } a_{ij} = \frac{\alpha_i}{2\pi} \oint_j + \oint - \frac{\hat{n} \cdot \hat{R}_i}{2\pi R_i} \phi_j$$

$$b_{ij} = \oint - \frac{\ln R_i}{2\pi} \phi_j ds$$

$$f_i = \left\langle \frac{\ln R_i}{2\pi} f \right\rangle$$