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# FEA of Linear Vibrations in FEniCs

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# FEniCs Installation



# Strong Form to Weak Form

$$\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} = \text{div } \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \quad \text{in } \Omega \quad (1)$$

To obtain the weak form we multiply the above equation with a test function  $\mathbf{v}$  and integrate over the domain  $\Omega$

$$\int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{v}) \, dV + \int_{\Omega} \rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dV = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \text{ in } \Omega, \quad (2)$$

Assuming  $\mathbf{u}$  takes periodic form:  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{u}_A(\mathbf{x})e^{i\omega t}$

Substituting this  $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t)$  in in the above eqn, we get:

$$\int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{v}) \, dV - \omega^2 \int_{\Omega} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dV = 0, \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \text{ in } \Omega, \quad (3)$$

Eigen-value problem:  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}\mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (4)$

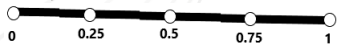
$\mathbf{A}$  &  $\mathbf{M}$  are matrices assembled from the governing equations



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# Matrix Formation Simplified

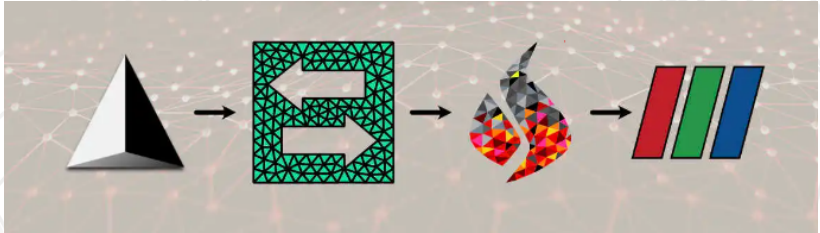
1D space  $\Omega$  with a mesh of 5 equally spaced nodes:



- Linear Basis Functions:  $V = fe.FunctionSpace(mesh, "CG", 1)$
- Basis functions:  $\phi_0(x), \phi_1(x), \phi_2(x), \phi_3(x), \phi_4(x)$ ;  
 $\phi_i(x) = 1$  at  $i^{th}$  node & zero at others and  $\phi_i(x)$  is **linearly** interpolated between neighbouring nodes
- $A = \int_{\Omega} \sigma(u) : \epsilon(v) dx$

- Matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

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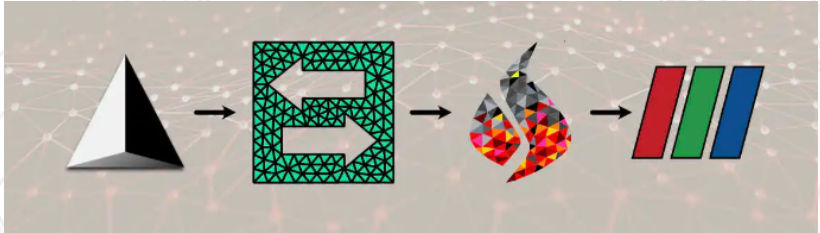
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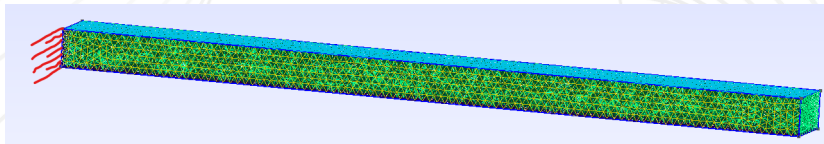


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- Paraview: Visualisation & Post-processing

# Uniform Cantilever Beam

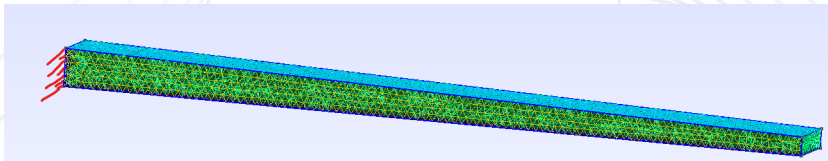


First 6 Modes:

Mode No.	$\omega$ - FEniCs [Hz]	$\omega$ - Beam theory [Hz]	Mode Participation Factor	Effective Mass	Relative Contribution
1	2.04991	2.01925	-7.83E-02	6.13E-03	61.30 %
2	4.04854	4.0385	7.88E-04	6.21E-07	0.01 %
3	12.81504	12.65443	4.34E-02	1.89E-03	18.85 %
4	25.12717	25.30886	-4.40E-04	1.94E-07	0.00 %
5	35.74168	35.43277	2.55E-02	6.49E-04	6.49 %
6	66.94816	70.86554	-3.71E-04	1.38E-07	0.00 %

Total relative mass of the first 6 modes: 86.65 %

# Tapering Cantilever Beam

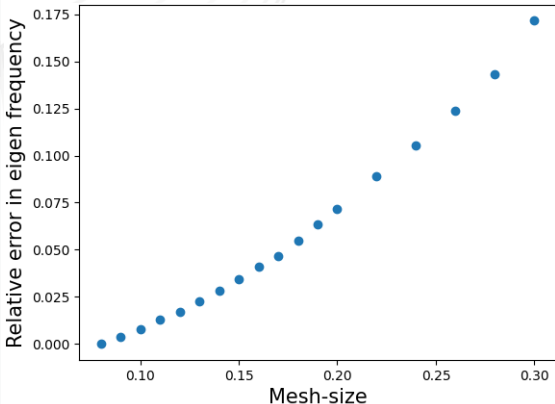


First 6 Modes:

Mode No.	$\omega$ - FEniCs [Hz]	Mode Participation Factor	Effective Mass	Relative Contribution
1	4.76505	-1.25E-01	1.57E-02	52.44 %
2	9.98477	-1.66E-05	2.76E-10	0.00 %
3	23.24731	7.78E-02	6.05E-03	20.17 %
4	52.46917	-4.62E-06	2.13E-11	0.00 %
5	59.93993	-5.02E-02	2.52E-03	8.39 %
6	76.63406	6.46E-05	4.18E-09	0.00 %

Total relative mass of the first 6 modes: 81.00 %

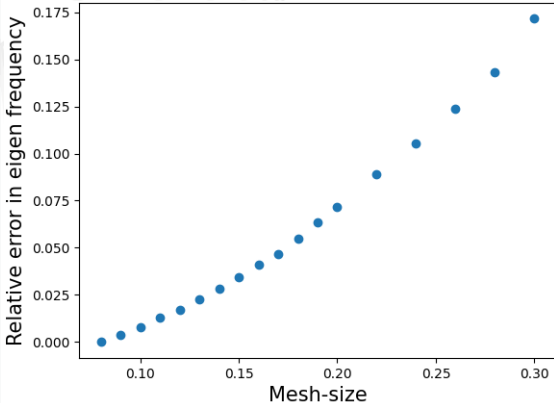
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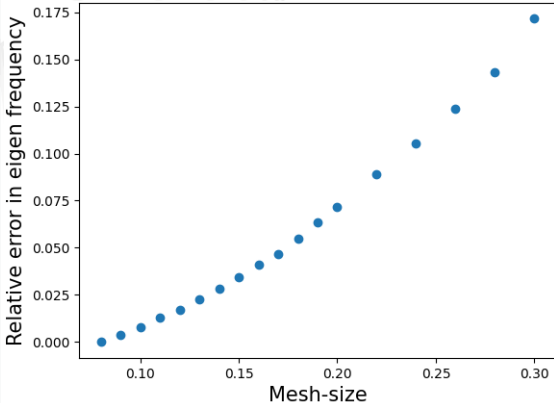
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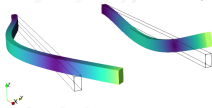


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- Observing depletion of error upon mesh refinement

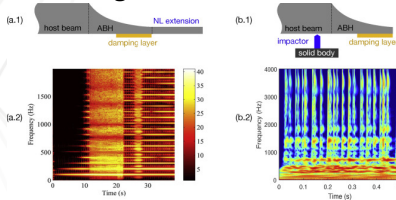
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# Prospects

## 1 Visualisation and post-processing in Paraview [Spivak, 2018]



## 2 Simulating Acoustic Black Hole in FEniCs



[Adrien et al., 2020]

- Power law:  $h(x) = \epsilon x^\mu + h_{tip}$  [Hook et al., 2019]
- Geometry creation in GMSH using "BSpline" function

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