

FEM FOR COUPLED TRANSPORT EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT. This is the explanation of the discretization of two transport equations coupled at the boundary (the corresponding code is in `transport_diag_wf1.m`) and of a 2×2 hyperbolic system (the corresponding code is in `transport_nodiag_wf1.m` and `transport_nodiag_wf2.m`). We use the finite element method (quadratic elements).

Our choice of discretization is done in view of extending this method to a more complicated model: the Intrinsic Geometrically Exact Beam model, which is also a first-order system of partial differential equations (treated in the repositories [GEB-diversSimu](#) and [GEB-Feedback](#)).

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Notation. Let $m, n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$. The inner product in \mathbb{R}^n is denoted $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. Here, the identity and null matrices are denoted by $\mathbf{I}_n \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{0}_{n,m} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, and we use the abbreviation $\mathbf{0}_n = \mathbf{0}_{n,n}$. If there is no confusion, we omit the subscript and write \mathbf{I} and $\mathbf{0}$ instead.

1. SPATIAL DISCRETIZATION

We consider a one-dimensional spatial domain $(0, \ell)$ with $\ell > 0$. We place N_x points $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^{N_x}$ on the interval $[0, \ell]$, such that $x_1 = 0$ and $x_{N_x} = \ell$. The number N_x is even, and each interval $[x_{2e-1}, x_{2e+1}]$ for $e \in \{1, 2, \dots, N_e\}$ constitute an element, which contains

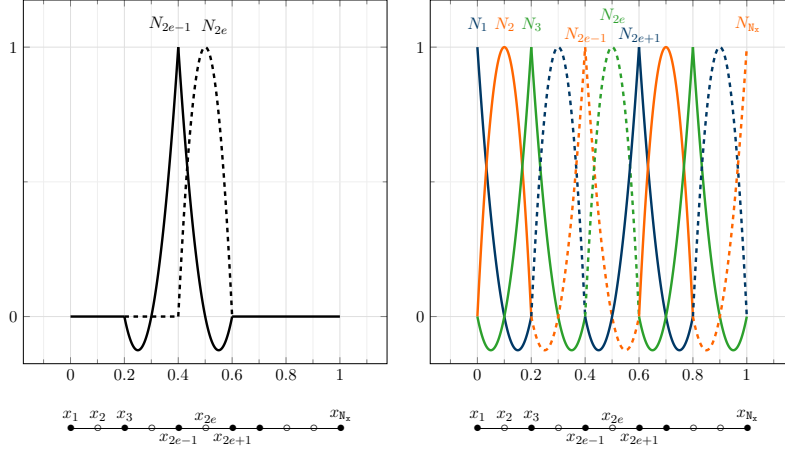


FIGURE 1. Left: two kinds of shape functions. Right: shape functions over the whole interval.

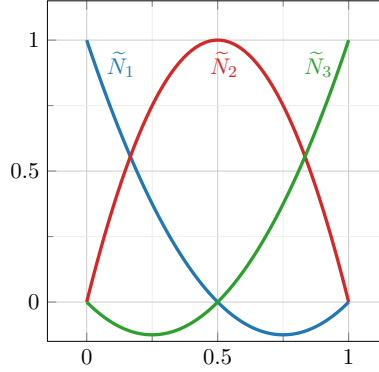


FIGURE 2. Reference element.

the points $x_{2e-1}, x_{2e}, x_{2e+1}$. Thus, the length of the element e is $\mathbf{h}_e = x_{2e+1} - x_{2e-1}$, and $\mathbf{N}_x = 2\mathbf{N}_e + 1$. Let

$$n(i, k) := 2(k - 1) + i, \quad \mathbf{N}_{\text{tot}} := 2\mathbf{N}_x.$$

Let $\mathbf{N}: [0, \ell] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2 \times \mathbf{N}_{\text{tot}}}$ be defined by

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}_1 \\ \mathbf{N}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} N_1 & 0 & N_2 & 0 & N_3 & 0 & \dots & 0 & N_{\mathbf{N}_x} & 0 \\ 0 & N_1 & 0 & N_2 & 0 & N_3 & \dots & N_{\mathbf{N}_x-1} & 0 & N_{\mathbf{N}_x} \end{bmatrix}.$$

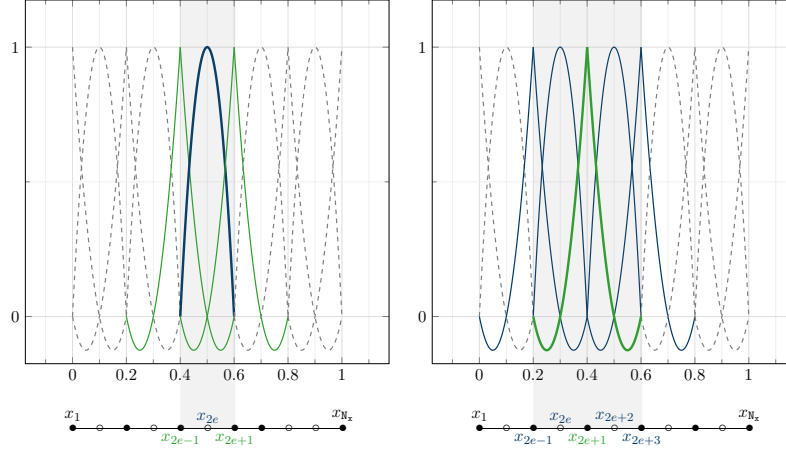


FIGURE 3. Left: shape function whose support intersect that of N_{2e} . Right: shape functions whose support intersect that of N_{2e+1} .

At the moment, we do not take into account the homogeneous Dirichlet boundary condition. We use the approximation

$$\begin{aligned} y(x, t) &\approx \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{k=1}^{N_x} N_k(x) \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i \mathbf{y}_{n(i,k)}(t) \\ &= \mathbf{N}(x) \mathbf{y}(t), \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and similarly $\psi(x) \approx \mathbf{N}(x) \boldsymbol{\psi}$. For any element $\omega^e := [x_{2e-1}, x_{2e+1}]$ for $e \in \{1, \dots, N_e\}$, only three shape functions are nonzero and are given by

$$[N_{2e-1}, N_{2e}, N_{2e+1}] = \tilde{\mathbf{N}} \left(\frac{x - x_{2e-1}}{x_{2e+1} - x_{2e-1}} \right),$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{N}}$ is defined by

$$[\tilde{N}_1(\xi), \tilde{N}_2(\xi), \tilde{N}_3(\xi)] = \tilde{\mathbf{N}}(\xi) = [(1 - \xi)(1 - 2\xi), 4\xi(1 - \xi), \xi(2\xi - 1)].$$

2. TWO TRANSPORT EQUATIONS COUPLED AT THE BOUNDARY

2.1. **The model.** For $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$ and $k \in \mathbb{R}$, consider the system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t y^1 + \lambda_1 \partial_x y^1 = 0 & \text{in } (0, \ell) \times (0, T) \\ \partial_t y^2 - \lambda_2 \partial_x y^2 = 0 & \text{in } (0, \ell) \times (0, T) \\ y^1(0, t) = 0 & t \in (0, T) \\ y^2(\ell, t) = k y^1(\ell, t) & t \in (0, T) \\ (y^1, y^2)(x, 0) = (y^{10}, y^{20})(x) & x \in (0, \ell). \end{cases}$$

2.2. The weak formulation. Left-multiply by x -dependent function $\psi^\top = (\psi^1, \psi^2)^\top$ and integrate over $(0, \ell)$, to obtain

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \left\langle \psi, \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx \right) + \int_0^\ell \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1 \\ \psi^2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \partial_x \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx = 0.$$

We use integration by parts on the latter term, to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \left\langle \psi, \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx \right) + \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1(\ell) \\ \psi^2(\ell) \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y^1(\ell, t) \\ y^2(\ell, t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ & - \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1(0) \\ \psi^2(0) \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y^1(0, t) \\ y^2(0, t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \partial_x \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1 \\ \psi^2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using the boundary conditions satisfied by y , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \left\langle \psi, \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx \right) + \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1(\ell) \\ \psi^2(\ell) \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -k\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y^1(\ell, t) \\ y^1(\ell, t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ & - \langle \psi^2(0), -\lambda_2 y^2(0, t) \rangle - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \partial_x \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1 \\ \psi^2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

which also writes as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \left\langle \psi, \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx \right) + \langle \psi^1(\ell)\lambda_1 - \psi^2(\ell)k\lambda_2, y^1(\ell, t) \rangle \\ & - \langle \psi^2(0), -\lambda_2 y^2(0, t) \rangle - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \partial_x \begin{bmatrix} \psi^1 \\ \psi^2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y^1(t) \\ y^2(t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the functional space $V = \{\psi \in H^1(0, \ell; \mathbb{R}^2) : \psi^1(0) = 0\}$ and let the matrices Π^1 and Π^2 be defined by

$$\Pi^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \Pi^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We choose the following weak formulation

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Find } y = (y^1, y^2)^\top \in C^0(0, T; V) \text{ such that: for all } \psi \in V, \\ & \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \langle \psi, y(t) \rangle dx \right) + \lambda_1 \langle \Pi^1 \psi(\ell), \Pi^1 y(\ell, t) \rangle - k\lambda_2 \langle \Pi^2 \psi(\ell), \Pi^1 y(\ell, t) \rangle \\ & + \lambda_2 \langle \Pi^2 \psi(0), \Pi^2 y(0, t) \rangle - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \frac{d}{dx} \psi, \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} y(t) \right\rangle dx = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

2.3. The semi-discretization. We discretize with respect to the spatial variable by using the approximation

$$\mathbf{V} = \{\psi \in C^0([0, \ell]; \mathbb{R}^2) : \psi|_{[x_\alpha, x_{\alpha+1}]} \in (\mathbb{P}_2)^2 \text{ for all } \alpha \in \{1, \dots, N_e - 1\}, \psi^1(0) = 0\} \quad (3)$$

for the space V . We inject the approximation (1) into the weak form. This yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{\psi}^\top \left(\int_0^\ell \mathbf{N}^\top \mathbf{N} dx \right) \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{y}(t) + \lambda_1 \boldsymbol{\psi}^\top \mathbf{N}(\ell)^\top (\Pi^1)^\top \Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) \mathbf{y}(t) - k \lambda_2 \boldsymbol{\psi}^\top \mathbf{N}(\ell)^\top (\Pi^2)^\top \Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) \mathbf{y}(t) \\ & + \lambda_2 \boldsymbol{\psi}^\top \mathbf{N}(0)^\top (\Pi^2)^\top \Pi^2 \mathbf{N}(0) \mathbf{y}(t) - \boldsymbol{\psi}^\top \left(\int_0^\ell \frac{d\mathbf{N}^\top}{dx} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{N} dx \right) \mathbf{y}(t) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which also writes as

$$\mathcal{M} \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{y}(t) + \mathcal{K} \mathbf{y}(t) = 0 \quad (4)$$

for $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times N_{\text{tot}}}$ defined by

$$\mathcal{M} = \int_0^\ell \mathbf{N}^\top \mathbf{N} dx \quad (5)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K} = & \int_0^\ell \frac{d\mathbf{N}^\top}{dx} \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{N} dx + \lambda_1 \mathbf{N}(\ell)^\top (\Pi^1)^\top \Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) \\ & - k \lambda_2 \mathbf{N}(\ell)^\top (\Pi^2)^\top \Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) + \lambda_2 \mathbf{N}(0)^\top (\Pi^2)^\top \Pi^2 \mathbf{N}(0). \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\mathbf{N}^\top \mathbf{N} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \mathbf{N}_i^\top \mathbf{N}_i, \quad \frac{d\mathbf{N}^\top}{dx} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{N} = \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i \lambda_i \frac{d\mathbf{N}_i^\top}{dx} \mathbf{N}_i,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{N}(x_k)^\top \bar{\mathbf{e}}_i \bar{\mathbf{e}}_j^\top \mathbf{N}(x_k) &= \mathbf{N}_i(x_k)^\top \mathbf{N}_j(x_k) \\ &= \mathbf{e}_{n(i,k)}^\top \mathbf{e}_{n(j,k)}. \end{aligned}$$

We compute that

$$\mathcal{M} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} \int_{\omega^e} \mathbf{N}_i^\top \mathbf{N}_i dx$$

which also writes as

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{M} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} \left(\int_{\omega^e} (N_{2e-1})^2 dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)}^\top + \left(\int_{\omega^e} (N_{2e})^2 dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)}^\top \\
& + \left(\int_{\omega^e} (N_{2e+1})^2 dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)}^\top \\
& + \left(\int_{\omega^e} N_{2e-1} N_{2e} dx \right) (\mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)}^\top + \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)}^\top) \\
& + \left(\int_{\omega^e} N_{2e-1} N_{2e+1} dx \right) (\mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)}^\top + \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)}^\top) \\
& + \left(\int_{\omega^e} N_{2e} N_{2e+1} dx \right) (\mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)}^\top + \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)}^\top).
\end{aligned}$$

and a change of variable yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{M} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} \mathbf{h}_e \left[\left(\int_0^1 (\tilde{N}_1)^2 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)}^\top + \left(\int_0^1 (\tilde{N}_2)^2 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)}^\top \right. \\
& + \left(\int_0^1 (\tilde{N}_3)^2 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)}^\top \\
& + \left(\int_0^1 \tilde{N}_1 \tilde{N}_2 d\xi \right) (\mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)}^\top + \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)}^\top) \\
& + \left(\int_0^1 \tilde{N}_1 \tilde{N}_3 d\xi \right) (\mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)}^\top + \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e-1)}^\top) \\
& \left. + \left(\int_0^1 \tilde{N}_2 \tilde{N}_3 d\xi \right) (\mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)}^\top + \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i,2e)}^\top) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, we will construct the mass matrix the following way.

Algorithm 1: Building the matrix \mathcal{M} .

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1 Initialize  $\mathcal{M}$  as a zero matrix
2 for  $i = 1, 2$  do
3   for  $e = 1, \dots, N_e$  do
4      $\text{idx} = [n(i, 2e-1), n(i, 2e), n(i, 2e+1)]$ 
5      $\mathcal{M}(\text{idx}, \text{idx}) = \mathcal{M}(\text{idx}, \text{idx}) + \mathbf{h}_e \mathcal{M}^e$ 

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Here, the element mass matrix $\mathcal{M}^e \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ is given by

$$\mathcal{M}^e = \int_0^1 (\tilde{\mathbf{N}})^\top \tilde{\mathbf{N}} d\xi = \frac{1}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 16 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Similarly, the stiffness matrix takes the form

$$\mathcal{K} = \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i \lambda_i \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} \int_{\omega^e} \frac{d\mathbf{N}_i}{dx} dx + \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)} \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)}^\top - k \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_{n(2, \mathbf{N}_x)} \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)}^\top + \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_{n(2, 1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(2, 1)}^\top$$

which also writes as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i \lambda_i \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} \left[\left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e-1}}{dx} N_{2e-1} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)}^\top \right. \\ & + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e}}{dx} N_{2e} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)}^\top + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e+1}}{dx} N_{2e+1} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)}^\top \\ & + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e-1}}{dx} N_{2e} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)}^\top + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e}}{dx} N_{2e-1} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)}^\top \\ & + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e-1}}{dx} N_{2e+1} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)}^\top + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e+1}}{dx} N_{2e-1} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)}^\top \\ & + \left. \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e}}{dx} N_{2e+1} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)}^\top + \left(\int_{\omega^e} \frac{dN_{2e+1}}{dx} N_{2e} dx \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)}^\top \right] \\ & + \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)} \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)}^\top - k \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_{n(2, \mathbf{N}_x)} \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)}^\top + \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_{n(2, 1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(2, 1)}^\top. \end{aligned}$$

The definition of the shape functions together with a change of variables yields that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K} = & \sum_{i=1}^2 (-1)^i \lambda_i \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} \left[\left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_1}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_1 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)}^\top \right. \\ & + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_2}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_2 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)}^\top + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_3}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_3 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)}^\top \\ & + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_1}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_2 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)}^\top + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_2}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_1 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)}^\top \\ & + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_1}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_3 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)}^\top + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_3}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_1 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e-1)}^\top \\ & + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_2}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_3 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)}^\top + \left(\int_0^1 \frac{d\tilde{N}_3}{d\xi} \tilde{N}_2 d\xi \right) \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e+1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(i, 2e)}^\top \Big] \\ & + \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)} \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)}^\top - k \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_{n(2, \mathbf{N}_x)} \mathbf{e}_{n(1, \mathbf{N}_x)}^\top + \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_{n(2, 1)} \mathbf{e}_{n(2, 1)}^\top. \end{aligned}$$

So we will construct the stiffness matrix the following way.

Algorithm 2: Building the matrix \mathcal{K} .

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1 Initialize  $\mathcal{K}$  as a zero matrix
2 for  $i = 1, 2$  do
3   for  $e = 1, \dots, N_e$  do
4      $\text{idx} = [n(i, 2e - 1), n(i, 2e), n(i, 2e + 1)]$ 
5      $\mathcal{K}(\text{idx}, \text{idx}) = \mathcal{K}(\text{idx}, \text{idx}) + (-1)^i \lambda_i \mathcal{K}^e$ 
6  $\mathcal{K}(n(1, N_x), n(1, N_x)) = \mathcal{K}(n(1, N_x), n(1, N_x)) + \lambda_1$ 
7  $\mathcal{K}(n(2, N_x), n(1, N_x)) = \mathcal{K}(n(2, N_x), n(1, N_x)) - k \lambda_2$ 
8  $\mathcal{K}(n(2, 1), n(2, 1)) = \mathcal{K}(n(2, 1), n(2, 1)) + \lambda_2$ 

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Here, the element stiffness matrix $\mathcal{K}^e \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$ is given by

$$\mathcal{K}^e = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{d\tilde{\mathbf{N}}}{d\xi} \right)^\top \tilde{\mathbf{N}} d\xi = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -4 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & -4 \\ -1 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Up to now, the boundary condition $y^1(0, \cdot) \equiv 0$ has not been taken into account. One will then have to remove the first row and column of the obtained matrices (i.e. extract sub-matrices from \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{K}), which amounts to removing the first equation of the obtained ODE. The actual number of unknowns will be $N_f := 2N_x - 1$ and the $y(x_k, t)$ will correspond to the $f(i, k)$ -th component of the new (smaller) unknown state \mathbf{y} , where $f(i, k) := 2(k - 1) + i - 1$. More precisely, we proceed as follows.

Algorithm 3: Applying the Dirichlet boundary conditions.

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1  $\text{dof} = 2 : N_{\text{tot}}$ 
2  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(\text{dof}, \text{dof})$ 
3  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}(\text{dof}, \text{dof})$ 

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3. 2×2 LINEAR HYPERBOLIC SYSTEM

3.1. The model. Consider the system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t y + A \partial_x y = 0 & \text{in } (0, \ell) \times (0, T) \\ y^1(0, t) = 0 & t \in (0, T) \\ y^2(\ell, t) = f(t) & t \in (0, T) \\ (y^1, y^2)(x, 0) = (y^{10}, y^{20})(x) & x \in (0, \ell), \end{cases}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3.2. Working with the physical variables. In Section 3.2 we work with the unknown state y (rather than diagonalizing the system as in Section 3.3).

3.2.1. *Weak formulation.* The code corresponding to this subsection is given in the file `transport_nodiag_wf1.m`. We define the space V by

$$V = \{\psi \in H^1(0, \ell; \mathbb{R}^2) : \Pi^1 \psi(0) = 0\}.$$

Integrating by parts, one has for any $\psi \in V$

$$\int_0^\ell \langle \psi, A \partial_x y(t) \rangle dx = - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \frac{d\psi}{dx}, Ay(t) \right\rangle dx + [\langle \psi, Ay(t) \rangle]_0^\ell,$$

where we wrote $y(t) := y(\cdot, t)$ in order to lighten the notation. One may compute that

$$\begin{aligned} [\langle \psi, Ay(t) \rangle]_0^\ell &= [\langle \Pi^1 \psi, \Pi^2 y(t) \rangle + \langle \Pi^2 \psi, \Pi^1 y(t) \rangle]_0^\ell \\ &= \langle \Pi^1 \psi(\ell), f(t) \rangle + \langle \Pi^2 \psi(\ell), \Pi^1 y(\ell, t) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

We choose the following weak form: find $y \in C^0(0, T; V)$ such that for all $\psi \in V$ one has

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \langle \psi, y(t) \rangle dx \right) - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \frac{d\psi}{dx}, Ay(t) \right\rangle dx + \langle \Pi^1 \psi(\ell), f(t) \rangle + \langle \Pi^2 \psi(\ell), \Pi^1 y(\ell, t) \rangle = 0.$$

3.2.2. *The semi-discretization.* We inject the approximation (1) into the weak form, using again the approximation (3) for the space V . This yields the ODE

$$\mathcal{M} \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{y}(t) + \mathcal{K} \mathbf{y}(t) + \mathcal{W} f(t) = 0 \quad (6)$$

where $\mathcal{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times N_{\text{tot}}}$ is defined by (5), $\mathcal{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times N_{\text{tot}}}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{K} = - \int_0^\ell \frac{d\mathbf{N}^\top}{dx} A \mathbf{N} dx + \langle \Pi^2 \mathbf{N}(\ell), \Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) \rangle,$$

and $\mathcal{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}}}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{W} = (\Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell))^\top.$$

The matrix \mathcal{M} may be built as before. On the other hand one may compute that $\langle \Pi^2 \mathbf{N}(\ell), \Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) \rangle = e_{n(2, N_x)} e_{n(1, N_x)}^\top$ and $(\Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell))^\top = e_{n(1, N_x)}$. Hence, \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{W} can be built as follows.

Algorithm 4: Building the matrices \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{W} .

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1 Initialize  $\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{W}$  as zero matrices
2 for  $i = 1, 2$  do
3   for  $j = 1, 2$  do
4     for  $e = 1, \dots, N_e$  do
5       idxRow =  $[n(i, 2e - 1), n(i, 2e), n(i, 2e + 1)]$ 
6       idxCol =  $[n(j, 2e - 1), n(j, 2e), n(j, 2e + 1)]$ 
7        $\mathcal{K}(\text{idxRow}, \text{idxCol}) = \mathcal{K}(\text{idxRow}, \text{idxCol}) - A_{i,j} \mathcal{K}^e$ 
8  $\mathcal{K}(n(2, N_x), n(1, N_x)) = \mathcal{K}(n(2, N_x), n(1, N_x)) + 1$ 
9  $\mathcal{W}(n(1, N_x), 1) = 1$ 
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Finally, we remove the first equation of the obtained ODE since the value of the state is known to be equal to zero at $x = 0$.

Algorithm 5: Applying the Dirichlet boundary conditions.

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1 dof = 2 :  $N_{\text{tot}}$ 
2  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(\text{dof}, \text{dof})$ 
3  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}(\text{dof}, \text{dof})$ 
4  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W}(\text{dof}, 1)$ 

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3.3. Working with the diagonal variables. Let us consider the change of variable $r = Ly$ for $L \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ defined by

$$L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that the inverse L^{-1} of this matrix is such that $L^{-1} = L = L^\top$. We have chosen this matrix L in such a way that $LAL^\top = \mathbf{D}$ for $\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ defined by

$$\mathbf{D} = \text{diag}(1, -1).$$

Then, the new state $r = (r^-, r^+)^\top$ is solution to the equivalent system

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t r + \mathbf{D} \partial_x r = 0 & \text{in } (0, \ell) \times (0, T) \\ r^+(0, t) = r^-(0, t) & t \in (0, T) \\ r^-(\ell, t) = -r^+(\ell, t) + \sqrt{2}f(t) & t \in (0, T) \\ r(x, 0) = Ly^0(x) & x \in (0, \ell). \end{cases}$$

3.3.1. Weak formulation. This time we choose the following functional space V

$$V = H^1(0, \ell; \mathbb{R}^2)$$

where no boundary condition is included in the definition of V .

Using integration by parts, one has for any $\varphi = (\varphi^-, \varphi^+)^\top \in V$

$$\int_0^\ell \langle \varphi, \mathbf{D} \partial_x r \rangle dx = - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \frac{d\varphi}{dx}, \mathbf{D} r \right\rangle dx + [\langle \varphi, \mathbf{D} r \rangle]_0^\ell,$$

Using the boundary condition satisfied by r , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} [\langle \varphi, \mathbf{D} r \rangle]_0^\ell &= \left\langle \varphi(\ell), \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} -r^+(\ell, t) \\ r^+(\ell, t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle - \left\langle \varphi(0), \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} r^-(0, t) \\ r^-(0, t) \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ &\quad - \sqrt{2} \varphi^-(\ell) f(t) \\ &= \left\langle \varphi(\ell), \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} r(\ell, t) \right\rangle - \left\langle \varphi(0), \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} r(0, t) \right\rangle \\ &\quad - \sqrt{2} \Pi^1 \varphi(\ell) f(t). \end{aligned}$$

We choose the following weak form: find $r \in C^0(0, T; V)$ such that for all $\varphi \in V$ one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_0^\ell \langle \varphi, r(t) \rangle dx \right) - \int_0^\ell \left\langle \frac{d\varphi}{dx}, \mathbf{D}r(t) \right\rangle dx \\ & + \langle \varphi(\ell), K_1 r(\ell, t) \rangle + \langle \varphi(0), K_2 r(0, t) \rangle - \sqrt{2} \Pi^1 \varphi(\ell) f(t) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

for $K_1, K_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ defined by

$$K_1 = \mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad K_2 = -\mathbf{D} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

3.3.2. *The semi-discretization.* This time the approximation of the space V is

$$\mathbf{V} = \{ \psi \in C^0([0, \ell]; \mathbb{R}^2) : \psi|_{[x_\alpha, x_{\alpha+1}]} \in (\mathbb{P}_2)^2 \text{ for all } \alpha \in \{1, \dots, N_e - 1\} \}.$$

We inject the approximation (1) into the weak form. This yields the ODE (6), where where $\mathcal{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times N_{\text{tot}}}$ is defined by (5), $\mathcal{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times N_{\text{tot}}}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{K} = - \int_0^\ell \frac{d\mathbf{N}^\top}{dx} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{N} dx + \langle \mathbf{N}(\ell), K_1 \mathbf{N}(\ell) \rangle + \langle \mathbf{N}(0), K_2 \mathbf{N}(0) \rangle,$$

and $\mathcal{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{\text{tot}}}$ are defined by

$$\mathcal{W} = -\sqrt{2}(\Pi^1 \mathbf{N}(\ell))^\top.$$

Hence, \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{W} may be built as follows.

Algorithm 6: Building the matrices \mathcal{K} and \mathcal{W} .

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1 Initialize  $\mathcal{K}, \mathcal{W}$  as zero matrices
2 for  $i = 1, 2$  do
3     for  $j = 1, 2$  do
4         for  $e = 1, \dots, N_e$  do
5             idxRow =  $[n(i, 2e - 1), n(i, 2e), n(i, 2e + 1)]$ 
6             idxCol =  $[n(j, 2e - 1), n(j, 2e), n(j, 2e + 1)]$ 
7              $\mathcal{K}(\text{idxRow}, \text{idxCol}) = \mathcal{K}(\text{idxRow}, \text{idxCol}) - \mathbf{D}_{i,j} \mathcal{K}^e$ 
8              $\mathcal{K}(n(i, N_x), n(j, N_x)) = \mathcal{K}(n(i, N_x), n(j, N_x)) + (K_1)_{i,j}$ 
9              $\mathcal{K}(n(i, 1), n(j, 1)) = \mathcal{K}(n(i, 1), n(j, 1)) + (K_2)_{i,j}$ 
10  $\mathcal{W}(n(1, N_x), 1) = -\sqrt{2}$ 
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Contrary to the previous case, there is no need to remove any equation from the ODE system since no boundary condition has been included in the definition of V .

4. TIME DISCRETIZATION

We have obtained the linear ODE

$$\mathcal{M} \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{y}(t) + \mathcal{K} \mathbf{y}(t) = 0,$$

and now want to discretize it in time. For the time integration, we use an implicit midpoint rule. Let the time interval be divided into N_t points $\{t_k\}_{k=1}^{N_t}$ with $t_1 = 0$ and $t_{N_t} = T$, and let $h_t = \frac{T}{N_t-1}$ be the time step. For an ODE of the form,

$$\frac{d\mathbf{y}(t)}{dt} = f(\mathbf{y}(t)),$$

the implicit midpoint rule yields the following time discretization

$$\mathbf{y}^{k+1} = \mathbf{y}^k + h_t f\left(\frac{\mathbf{y}^k + \mathbf{y}^{k+1}}{2}\right)$$

for $k \in \{1, \dots, N_t\}$. Here, $f(\zeta) = -\mathcal{M}^{-1}\mathcal{K}\zeta$. Consequently, the scheme reads

$$\left(\mathcal{M} + \frac{h_t}{2}\mathcal{K}\right)\mathbf{y}^{k+1} = \left(\mathcal{M} - \frac{h_t}{2}\mathcal{K}\right)\mathbf{y}^k.$$