

Finite element -- Linear basis and projection

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$f(x)$ known in $[a, b]$

Define a finite-dimensional space

$$X = \left\{ \underline{g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n g_i \phi_i(x)}, \forall g_1, \dots, g_n \right\}$$

here $\{\phi_i, i=1, \dots, n\}$ is a basis

Best approximation of f in X

$$\min_{g \in X} \|f - g\|_2^2 = \int_a^b (f - g)^2 dx$$

$$\min_{g_i, i=1, \dots, n} \|f - g\|_2^2 = \int_a^b (f - \sum g_i \phi_i)^2 dx$$

\Downarrow variational analysis

$$\int_a^b (f - \sum g_i \phi_i) \cdot \phi_j dx = 0$$

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$$A g = b$$

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$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + f = 0 \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

Approach 1: Let $\forall g(x)$ in $[0, 1]$ be smooth.

$$\int_0^1 g(x) \cdot \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + f \right) dx = 0 \quad \leftarrow$$

Restrict $u = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \phi_i(x)$

$$g(x) = \phi_j(x) \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\int_0^1 \phi_j(x) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n u_i \frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial x^2} + f \right) dx = 0$$

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \left(\int_0^1 \phi_j(x) \frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial x^2} dx \right) + \left(\int_0^1 \phi_j f dx \right)$$

$$A_{ji} = \int_0^1 \phi_j \frac{\partial^2 \phi_i}{\partial x^2} dx \quad b_j = \int_0^1 \phi_j f dx$$

$$Au + b = 0$$

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Integration by parts

$$\int_0^1 \underline{g(x)} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + f \right) dx = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(g \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + g \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{d}{dx} \left(g \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) dx = \left. g \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_0^1$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx + \int_0^1 g \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} dx$$

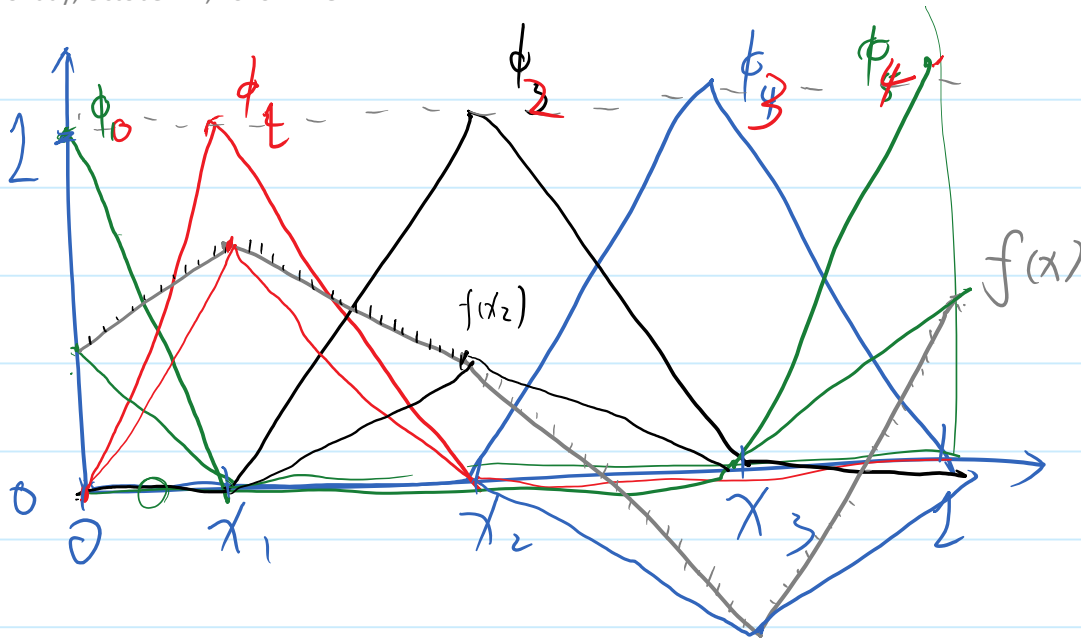
$$\int_0^1 g \cdot f dx + \left. g \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dx = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} g &\longrightarrow \phi_i \\ u &\longrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \phi_i \end{aligned} \Rightarrow Au + b = 0$$

$$A_{ij} = - \int_0^1 \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} dx + \left. \phi_j \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \right|_0^1$$

Finite element -- basis functions for piecewise linear continuous space

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$$f(x) = f(0) \phi_0(x) + f(x_1) \phi_1(x) + f(x_2) \phi_2(x) + f(x_3) \phi_3(x) + f(x_4) \phi_4(x)$$

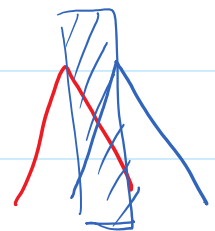
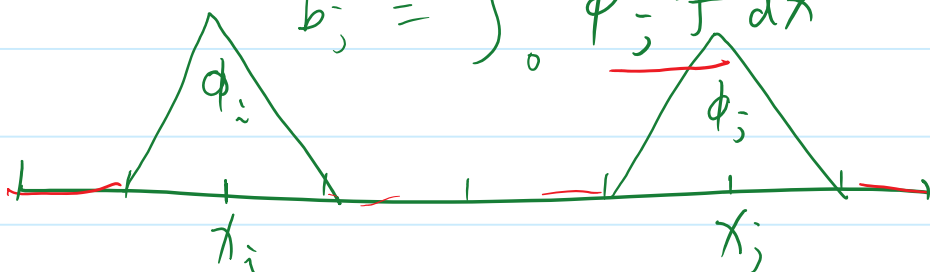
If we know $u(0) = u(1) = 0$

$$u(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} u_i \phi_i(x) \quad \text{after removing two basis functions.}$$

$$\text{for } j=1, \dots, n-1, \quad \phi_j \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \Big|_0 = 0$$

$$\text{so, } A_{ij} = \int_0^1 \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} dx \quad \text{non zero if } |i-j| \leq 1$$

$$b_j = \int_0^1 \phi_j f dx$$



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Finite element -- linear functional and bilinear form

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$$A_{ii} = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \right)^2 dx = \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \right)^2 dx + \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \right)^2 dx$$

$\left(\frac{1}{x_i - x_{i-1}} \right)^2$ $\left(\frac{-1}{x_{i+1} - x_i} \right)^2$

$$A_{i,i+1} = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \right) \left(\frac{\partial \phi_{i+1}}{\partial x} \right) dx = \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \right) \left(\frac{\partial \phi_{i+1}}{\partial x} \right) dx$$

$-\frac{1}{x_{i+1} - x_i}$ $\frac{1}{x_{i+1} - x_i}$

$$= - \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \frac{1}{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2} dx$$

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