# Finite Element Methods for PDEs

FEM for Poisson's problem in 1D

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#### 1D Poisson Problem

Consider the one dimensional Poisson problem

$$-u''(x) = f(x) \quad \text{in } \Omega = [x_{\ell}, x_r]$$
 
$$u(x_{\ell}) = u(x_r) = 0.$$

#### Weak Formulation

Find  $u(x) \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  such that

$$\int_{\Omega} u'(x)v'(x) \ dx = \int_{\Omega} f(x)v(x) \ dx,$$

for all  $v(x) \in H_0^1(\Omega)$ .

#### Variational Formulation

Find  $u_h \in V_h^k$  such that

$$\int_{\Omega} u'_h v'_h \ dx = \int_{\Omega} f v_h \ dx, \qquad \forall v_h \in V_h^k$$

where

$$V_h^k = \{v_h \in H_0^1(\Omega) \mid v_h|_I \in P_k(I), \ \forall I \in \mathcal{T}_h\},$$

and  $P_k(I)$  is the polynomial function space of degrees  $\leq k.$ 

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# Affine Mapping

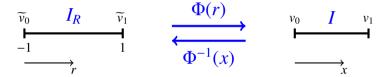


Figure: An affine mapping from the reference interval  $I_R$  to an interval I.

# Barycentric coordinates

Barycentric coordinates  $(\widetilde{\lambda}_0, \ \widetilde{\lambda}_1)$  have the properties

$$\begin{cases} 0 \le \widetilde{\lambda}_i(r) \le 1, & i = 0, 1, \\ \widetilde{\lambda}_0(r) + \widetilde{\lambda}_1(r) = 1. \end{cases}$$

# Affine Mapping

Let us consider an interval I,

$$I = \{x \mid v_0 \le x \le v_1\}.$$

Then we have an affine mapping  $\Phi$  such that

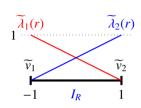
$$\Phi(r)=v_0\widetilde{\lambda}_0(r)+v_1\widetilde{\lambda}_1(r)=x,$$

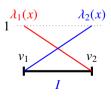
where  $x \in I$ .

# Properties

$$\widetilde{\lambda}_0(r) = \frac{1-r}{2}, \qquad \widetilde{\lambda}_1(r) = \frac{1+r}{2}$$

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$$r_x = \frac{1}{J}$$
 where  $J = \frac{v_1 - v_0}{2}$ 





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#### Notations

- $\mathcal{T}_h$ : Triangulation with  $h = \max_{T \in \mathcal{T}_h} \operatorname{diam}(T)$  (e.g. uniform triangulation: h = 1/M)
- $\bullet$  N: the number of nodes
- $\bullet$  M: the number of elements
- $I_j$ : the j-th element in  $\mathcal{T}_h$
- $\xi_i$ : the *i*-th node in  $\mathcal{T}_h$
- $\xi_i^j$ : the *i*-th node in  $I_j$

# Nodes in $\mathcal{T}_h$

$$N = kM + 1,$$
  
 $\xi_i^j = \xi_{k(j-1)+i},$   
 $\xi_{k+1}^j = \xi_1^{j+1}.$ 

Here the indices i and j satisfy  $0 \le j \le M-1$  and  $0 \le i \le k$ , respectively.

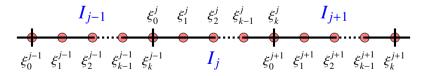
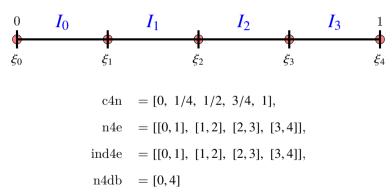


Figure: Nodes in  $\mathcal{T}_h$  with k.

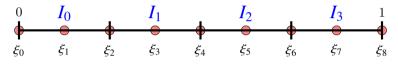
# Triangulation data $(P_1)$

If  $\Omega = [0, 1]$ , M = 4 and k = 1, data are stored as follows.



# Triangulation data $(P_2)$

If  $\Omega = [0, 1]$ , M = 4 and k = 2, data are stored as follows.



$$\begin{array}{lll} {\rm c4n} &= [0,\ 1/8,\ 1/4,\ 3/8,\ 1/2,\ 5/8,\ 3/4,\ 7/8,\ 1], \\ & {\rm n4e} &= [[0,2],\ [2,4],\ [4,6],\ [6,8]], \\ & {\rm ind4e} &= [[0,1,2],\ [2,3,4],\ [4,5,6],\ [6,7,8]], \\ & {\rm n4db} &= [0,8] \end{array}$$

#### mesh\_fem\_1d

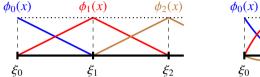
The following python code generates an uniform mesh on the domain  $\Omega = [a, b]$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  with mesh size h = 1/M. Also this code returns an index matrix for continuous k-th order polynomial approximations.

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\begin{array}{l} \hline def \ mesh\_fem\_1d(a,b,M,k): \\ nrNodes = k*M+1 \\ c4n = np.linspace(a, b, nrNodes) \\ n4e = np.array([[i*k, (i+1)*k] \ for \ i \ in \ range(M)]) \\ n4db = np.array([0, nrNodes-1]) \\ ind4e = np.array([list(range(i*k, (i+1)*k+1)) \ for \ i \ in \ range(M)]) \\ return \ (c4n,n4e,n4db,ind4e) \end{array}
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#### Basis functions



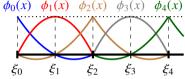


Figure: Global basis functions of  $V_h^1$  (left) and  $V_h^2$  (right) on an interval.

$$\phi_i(\xi_j) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j, \end{cases}$$
$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \phi_i(x) = 1 \qquad \forall x \in \Omega$$

#### Local basis functions

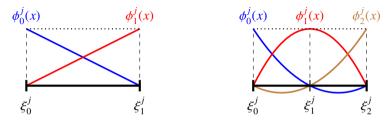


Figure: Local basis functions of  $V_h^1$  (left) and  $V_h^2$  (right) on the j-th element.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_i^j(x) &= \phi_{kj+i}(x) \bigg|_{I_j} \\ \phi_i^j(x) &= 0 \quad \text{if } x \in \Omega \setminus I_j \\ \sum_{i=0}^k \phi_i^j(x) &= 1 \quad \forall x \in I_j. \end{aligned}$$

# Interpolation

Using these basis functions, the interpolate function of a function f(x) can be written as follows

$$If(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} f_i \phi_i(x)$$

where  $f_i = f(\xi_i)$ .

# Numerical solutions

Numerical solution

$$u_h(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} u_i \phi_i(x)$$

• Local solution

$$u_h(x)\Big|_{I_j} = \sum_{i=0}^k u_i^j \phi_i^j(x)$$

Derivatives

Derivatives 
$$\frac{d}{dx}u_h(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} u_i \frac{d}{dx}\phi_i(x),$$
 
$$\frac{d}{dx}u_h(x)\Big|_{I_j} = \sum_{i=0}^k u_i^j \frac{d}{dx}\phi_i^j(x).$$

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#### Variational formulation

For a test function  $\phi_i(x) \in V_h^k$ , the variational formulation can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} u_j \int_{\Omega} \phi_i'(x) \phi_j'(x) \ dx = \int_{\Omega} f(x) \phi_i(x) \ dx$$

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$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \int_{\Omega} \phi_i'(x)\phi_0'(x) \ dx & \int_{\Omega} \phi_i'(x)\phi_1'(x) \ dx & \cdots & \int_{\Omega} \phi_i'(x)\phi_{N-1}'(x) \ dx \end{array}\right]}_{(A)_{i+1}^*} \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{array}\right]}_{u} = \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} f(x)\phi_i(x) \ dx}_{b_{i+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Au = b$$

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where

$$(\mathbf{A})_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \phi'_{i-1}(x)\phi'_{j-1} dx$$
$$(\mathbf{b})_i = \int_{\Omega} f(x)\phi_{i-1}(x) dx$$
$$(\mathbf{u})_j = u_{j-1}.$$

In order to compute the load vector, f is replaced by the interpolate function If(x) in general.

$$\boldsymbol{b} = \int_{\Omega} f(x)\phi_i(x) \ dx \approx \int_{\Omega} If(x)\phi_i(x) \ dx = \int_{\Omega} \phi_i(x) \left(\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} f_j\phi_j(x)\right) \ dx = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} f_j \int_{\Omega} \phi_i(x)\phi_j(x) \ dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{cccc} \int_{\Omega} \phi_{i}(x)\phi_{0}(x) \ dx & \int_{\Omega} \phi_{i}(x)\phi_{1}(x) \ dx & \cdots & \int_{\Omega} \phi_{i}(x)\phi_{N-1}(x) \ dx \end{array}\right]}_{(M)_{i+1}^{*}} \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c} f_{0} \\ f_{1} \\ \vdots \\ f_{N-1} \end{array}\right]}_{f} \approx \underbrace{\int_{\Omega} f(x)\phi_{i}(x) \ dx}_{b_{i+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Mf \approx b$$

$$Au = Mf$$

where

$$(A)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \phi'_{i-1}(x) \phi'_{j-1} \ dx$$

$$(u)_{j} = u_{j-1}$$

$$(M)_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \phi_{i-1}(x) \phi_{j-1}(x) \ dx$$

$$(f)_{j} = f_{j-1}.$$

#### Matrices

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{A} &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{M-1} oldsymbol{A}_{I_\ell}, \ oldsymbol{M} &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{M-1} oldsymbol{M}_{I_\ell}. \end{aligned}$$

where (k+1)-by-(k+1) matrices  $A_{I_\ell}$  and  $M_{I_\ell}$  are defined as

$$(\mathbf{A}_{I_{\ell}})_{ij} = \int_{I_{\ell}} \frac{d}{dx} \phi_{i-1}^{\ell}(x) \frac{d}{dx} \phi_{j-1}^{\ell}(x) \ dx$$
$$(\mathbf{M}_{I_{\ell}})_{ij} = \int_{I_{\ell}} \phi_{i-1}^{\ell}(x) \phi_{j-1}^{\ell}(x) \ dx$$

where  $1 \le i$ ,  $j \le k + 1$ .

#### Lemma 1.1

For a given interval  $I=[v_0,v_1]$  with barycentric coordinates  $\lambda_0$  and  $\lambda_1$ , it holds for  $a,\ b\in\mathbb{N}_0$  that

$$\int_{I} \lambda_0^a \lambda_1^b \ dx = |I| \frac{a! \ b!}{(a+b+1)!}$$

where  $|I| = v_1 - v_0$ .

#### Differentiation matrix

$$(\boldsymbol{D})_{ij} = \phi'_{j-1}(\xi_{i-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \phi'_{i-1}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \phi'_{i-1}(\xi_j) \phi_j(x) = (\boldsymbol{D}^t)_i \boldsymbol{\phi}$$

where

$$(\mathbf{D}^t)_i = [\phi'_{i-1}(\xi_0) \cdots \phi'_{i-1}(\xi_{N-1})]$$
  
 $\phi = [\phi_0(x) \cdots \phi_{N-1}(x)]^t$ 

# Properties of D

$$\bullet \ \ \boldsymbol{D} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{M-1} \boldsymbol{D}_{I_{\ell}}, \qquad (\boldsymbol{D}_{I_{\ell}})_{ij} = \frac{d\phi_{j-1}^{\ell}}{dx}(\xi_{i-1}^{\ell})$$

$$\bullet \ \frac{d}{dx}\phi_{i-1}^\ell(x) = \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{d\phi_{i-1}^\ell}{dx}(\xi_j^\ell)\phi_j^\ell(x) = (\boldsymbol{D}_{I_\ell}^t)_i \boldsymbol{\phi}^\ell$$

$$\bullet \ u'_h(\xi_{m-1}) = (\boldsymbol{D})_m \boldsymbol{u}$$

$$\bullet \ u'_h(\xi_{n-1}^{\ell}) = (\boldsymbol{D}_{I_{\ell}})_n \boldsymbol{u}^{\ell}$$

#### Lemma 1.2

For a given interval  $I = [v_0, v_1]$  with barycentric coordinates  $\lambda_0$  and  $\lambda_1$ , it holds for  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}_0$  that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\lambda_0^a(x)\lambda_1^b(x)) = r_x \frac{d}{dr}(\widetilde{\lambda}_0^a(r)\widetilde{\lambda}_1^b(r))$$

where  $r = \Phi^{-1}(x)$ ,  $r_x = 1/J$  and  $J = (v_1 - v_0)/2$ .

#### Mass matrix

$$(\boldsymbol{M})_{ij} = \int_{I} \phi_{i-1}(x)\phi_{j-1}(x) \ dx = J \int_{I_{R}} \widetilde{\phi}_{i-1}(r)\widetilde{\phi}_{j-1}(r) \ dr = J(\boldsymbol{M}_{R})_{ij}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $M = JM_R$ 

#### Stiffness matrix

$$(S)_{ij} = \int_{I} \phi'_{i-1}(x)\phi'_{j-1}(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{I} \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{k} \frac{d\phi_{i-1}}{dx} (\xi_{\ell})\phi_{\ell}(x) \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{k} \frac{d\phi_{j-1}}{dx} (\xi_{m})\phi_{m}(x) \right) dx$$

$$= J \int_{I_{R}} \left( \sum_{\ell=0}^{k} r_{x} \frac{d\widetilde{\phi}_{i-1}}{dr} (\Phi^{-1}(\xi_{\ell}))\widetilde{\phi}_{\ell}(r) \right) \left( \sum_{m=0}^{k} r_{x} \frac{d\widetilde{\phi}_{j-1}}{dr} (\Phi^{-1}(\xi_{m}))\widetilde{\phi}_{m}(r) \right) dr$$

$$= r_{x}^{2} J(S_{R})_{ij} = \frac{1}{J} (S_{R})_{ij}$$

#### Stiffness matrix

$$(S)_{ij} = \frac{1}{J} (S_R)_{ij}$$

where

$$(S_R)_{ij} = \int_{I_R} ((D_R^t)_i \widetilde{\phi}) ((D_R^t)_j \widetilde{\phi}) dr$$

$$= (D_R^t)_i M_R (D_R)_j$$

$$= (D_R^t M_R D_R)_{ij}$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{I} S_R$$

# $P_1$ matrices

• 
$$\widetilde{\phi}_1(r) = \widetilde{\lambda}_1(r), \qquad \widetilde{\phi}_2(r) = \widetilde{\lambda}_2(r)$$

$$\bullet \ \widetilde{\phi}_1'(r) = -\frac{1}{2}, \qquad \widetilde{\phi}_2'(r) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\bullet \ M_R = \frac{1}{3} \left( \begin{array}{cc} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$D_R = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• 
$$S_R = D_R^t M_R D_R = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# $P_2$ matrices

$$\bullet \ \widetilde{\phi}_1(r) = \widetilde{\lambda}_1(r)(2\widetilde{\lambda}_1(r) - 1), \ \widetilde{\phi}_2(r) = 4\widetilde{\lambda}_1(r)\widetilde{\lambda}_2(r), \ \widetilde{\phi}_3(r) = \widetilde{\lambda}_2(r)(2\widetilde{\lambda}_2(r) - 1)$$

$$\bullet \ \widetilde{\phi}_1'(r) = -2\widetilde{\lambda}_1(r) + \frac{1}{2}, \quad \widetilde{\phi}_2'(r) = 2\widetilde{\lambda}_1(r) - 2\widetilde{\lambda}_2(r), \quad \widetilde{\phi}_3'(r) = 2\widetilde{\lambda}_2(r) - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\bullet \ M_R = \frac{1}{15} \left( \begin{array}{rrr} 4 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 16 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\bullet \ D_R = \frac{1}{2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} -3 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -4 & 3 \end{array} \right)$$

#### MatrixforPoisson\_1D

The following python code generates the mass matrix  $M_R$ , the stiffness matrix  $S_R$  and the differentiation matrix  $D_R$  for continuous k-th order polynomial approximations on the reference interval  $I_R$ .

```
def get matrices 1d(k=1):
   if k == 1:
      M R = np.array([[2, 1], [1, 2]], dtype=np.float64) / 3.
      S R = np.array([[1, -1], [-1, 1]], dtype=np.float64) / 2.
      D R = np.array([[-1, 1], [-1, 1]], dtype=np.float64) / 2.
   elif k == 2:
      M R = np.array([[4, 2, -1], [2, 16, 2], [-1, 2, 4]], dtype=np.float64) / 15.
      S = np.array([7, -8, 1], [-8, 16, -8], [1, -8, 7]), dtype=np.float64) / 6.
      D R = np.array([[-3, 4, -1], [-1, 0, 1], [1, -4, 3]), dtype=np.float64) / 2.
   elif: ...
   return (M. R. S. R. D. R.)
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# Programming