

Exercises 5.2

1. The strain in a 1D truss element is given by $\epsilon = \partial u / \partial x$. Mount the corresponding matrix B in terms of nodal coordinates x_1 and x_2 .

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clear all
clc
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syms x1 x2 xi
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C = [x1; x2];
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B = simplify(compute_B(C, xi))
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$$B = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{x_1 - x_2} & -\frac{1}{x_1 - x_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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function B = compute_B(C, xi)
nnodes = size(C, 1);
ndof = 1;
dN = lin2_derivs(xi);
J = C'*dN;
dNdX = dN*inv(J);
    for i = 1: nnodes
        c = (i-1) * ndof;
        B(1, c+1) = dNdX(i,1);
    end
end

function dN = lin2_derivs (xi)
n = [ 1/2 - xi/2
      1/2 + xi/2];
dN = [diff(n, xi)];
end
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