

2D Linear FEM Notes

$$\int_{\Omega} (-\Delta u + q u = f) v \quad \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\nabla u v) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\Omega} \Delta u v$$

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$$\int_{\partial \Omega} \nabla u v \cdot n = \int_{\partial \Omega} g v$$

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$$\rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v - \int_{\partial \Omega} g v + \int_{\Omega} q u v = \int_{\Omega} f v \quad \rightarrow$$

$$a(u, v) := \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v + \int_{\Omega} q u v = \int_{\Omega} f v + \int_{\partial \Omega} g v =: F(v)$$

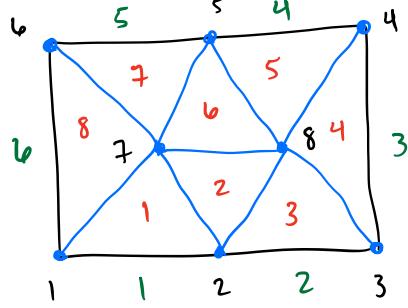
$$u = \sum_i u_i \phi_i$$

$$v = \phi_j \rightarrow \sum_i a(\phi_i, \phi_j) u_i = F(\phi_j)$$

$$\left[a(\phi_i, \phi_j) \right]_{j,i} \begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ \uparrow \\ \text{row} \end{bmatrix}_i = \begin{bmatrix} F(\phi_j) \\ \uparrow \\ \text{row} \end{bmatrix}_j$$

$$a(\phi_i, \phi_j) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_j + \int_{\Omega} q_f \phi_i \phi_j$$

Enumerating Everything (Example)



1. Enumerate nodes

$$\begin{bmatrix} (x_1, y_1) \\ (x_2, y_2) \\ \vdots \\ (x_8, y_8) \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Enumerate Elements

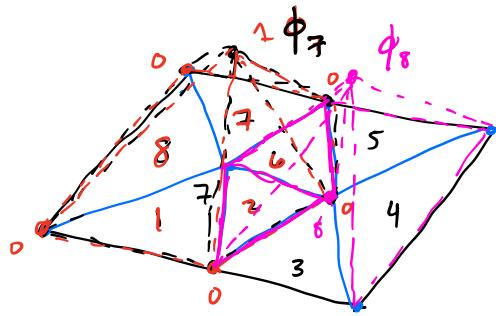
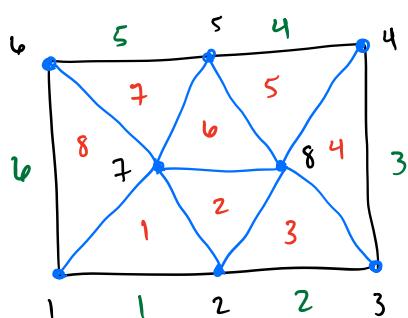
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K	1 2 7	element 1 is composed of nodes 1, 2, and 7 in the nodes list. It's vertices are (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) , (x_7, y_7) .
	2 8 7	
	2 3 8	
	3 4 8	
	4 5 8	* This defines a map $I(l, m)$
	5 7 8	l - element #
	5 6 7	m - local vertex # (1, 2, 3)
	1 7 8	$I(l, m)$ - global vertex #

3. Enumerate Boundary Edges

	m	
l	1 2	edge 1 has vertices (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2)
	2 3	
	3 4	* Defines a map $J(l, m)$
	4 5	l - edge #
	5 6	m - local vertex # (1 or 2)
	6 1	$J(l, m)$ - global vertex #

Element-wise assembly

$$a(\phi_i, \phi_j) = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_j + \int_{\Omega} q \phi_i \phi_j$$



- $\text{Supp } \phi_i$ is a union of cells

$$\text{Eg } \text{Supp } \phi_7 = K_1 \cup K_2 \cup K_6 \cup K_7 \cup K_8$$

$$\text{Supp } \phi_8 = K_2 \cup K_3 \cup K_4 \cup K_5 \cup K_6$$

- $\text{Supp } \phi_i \cap \text{Supp } \phi_j$ is either a set of measure 0 (basically empty for our purposes) or it is a union of cells

$$\text{Eg } \text{Supp } \phi_7 \cap \text{Supp } \phi_8 = K_2 \cup K_6$$

- Therefore, $a(\phi_i, \phi_j) = 0$ or

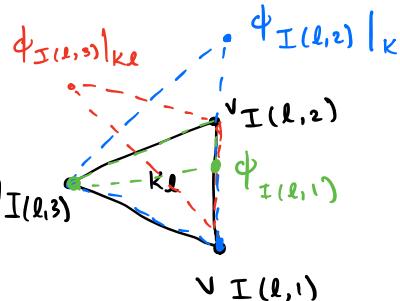
$$a(\phi_i, \phi_j) = \sum_{K \subset \text{Supp } \phi_i \cap \text{Supp } \phi_j} \underbrace{\int_K \nabla \phi_i \cdot \nabla \phi_j + \int_K q \phi_i \phi_j}_{:= a_K(\phi_i, \phi_j)}$$

$$\text{eg } a(\phi_7, \phi_8) = a_2(\phi_7, \phi_8) + a_6(\phi_7, \phi_8).$$

- Calculating $a(\phi_i, \phi_j)$ involves calculating $a_\ell(\phi_i, \phi_j)$ where ℓ varies over the element numbers

- Consider this procedure

1. Fix an element K_ℓ $v_{I(\ell,3)} v_{I(\ell,2)} v_{I(\ell,1)}$



2. The only basis functions

ϕ_i where $K_\ell \subset \text{supp } \phi_i$ are

$$\phi_{I(\ell,1)}, \phi_{I(\ell,2)}, \phi_{I(\ell,3)}$$

3. Thus the only $a_\ell(\phi_i, \phi_j)$ that are not zero

are $a_\ell(\phi_{I(\ell,m)}, \phi_{I(\ell,n)})$ for $m, n = 1, 2, 3$

4. For each $m, n = 1, 2, 3$:

calculate $a_\ell(\phi_{I(\ell,m)}, \phi_{I(\ell,n)})$ and add it

to the entry corresponding to $a(\phi_{I(\ell,m)}, \phi_{I(\ell,n)})$

in $[a(\phi_i, \phi_j)]_{j,i}$ matrix

Claim: If we do step 4 for each element K_ℓ ,

then we will have completely assembled the matrix $[a(\phi_i, \phi_j)]_{j,i}$

Example

$$I(1,1) = 1$$

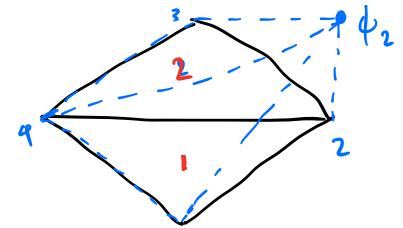
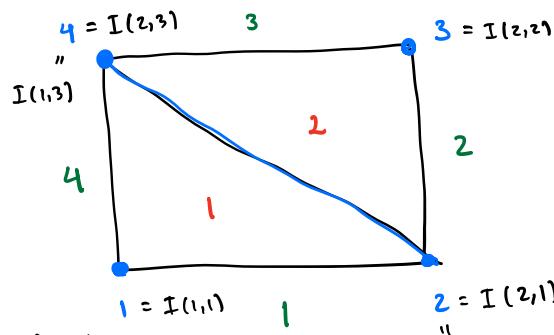
$$I(1,2) = 2$$

$$I(1,3) = 4$$

$$I(2,1) = 2$$

$$I(2,2) = 3$$

$$I(2,3) = 4$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} a(\phi_1, \phi_1) & a(\phi_2, \phi_1) & a(\phi_3, \phi_1) & a(\phi_4, \phi_1) \\ a(\phi_1, \phi_2) & a(\phi_2, \phi_2) & a(\phi_3, \phi_2) & a(\phi_4, \phi_2) \\ a(\phi_1, \phi_3) & a(\phi_2, \phi_3) & a(\phi_3, \phi_3) & a(\phi_4, \phi_3) \\ a(\phi_1, \phi_4) & a(\phi_2, \phi_4) & a(\phi_3, \phi_4) & a(\phi_4, \phi_4) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a(\phi_2, \phi_2) &= a_1(\phi_2, \phi_2) + \\ &\quad a_2(\phi_2, \phi_2) \\ &= a_1(\phi_{I(1,2)}, \phi_{I(1,2)}) \\ &\quad + \\ &\quad a_2(\phi_{I(2,1)}, \phi_{I(2,1)}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1(\phi_1, \phi_1) & a_1(\phi_2, \phi_1) & \textcircled{0} & a_1(\phi_4, \phi_1) \\ a_1(\phi_1, \phi_2) & a_1(\phi_2, \phi_2) & \textcircled{0} & a_1(\phi_4, \phi_2) \\ \textcircled{0} & \textcircled{0} & \textcircled{0} & \textcircled{0} \\ a_1(\phi_1, \phi_4) & a_1(\phi_2, \phi_4) & a_1(\phi_4, \phi_4) & \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \textcircled{0} & \textcircled{0} & 0 \\ \textcircled{0} & a_2(\phi_2, \phi_2) & a_2(\phi_3, \phi_2) & a_2(\phi_4, \phi_2) \\ 0 & a_2(\phi_2, \phi_3) & a_2(\phi_3, \phi_3) & a_2(\phi_4, \phi_3) \\ 0 & a_2(\phi_2, \phi_4) & a_2(\phi_3, \phi_4) & a_2(\phi_4, \phi_4) \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculating $a_l(\phi_{I(l,m)}, \phi_{I(l,n)})$:

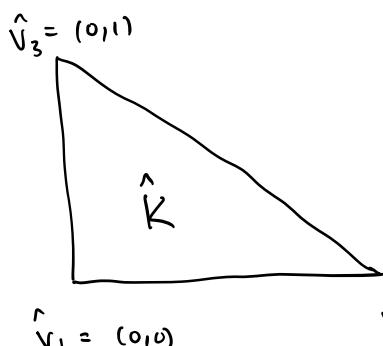
$$a_l(\phi_{I(l,m)}, \phi_{I(l,n)}) = \int_{K_l} \nabla \phi_{I(l,m)} \cdot \nabla \phi_{I(l,n)} dx +$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{:= S(l,m,n)}$ stiffness term

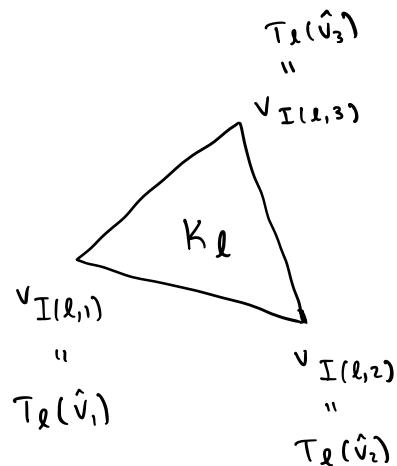
$$\int_{K_l} q_f \phi_{I(l,m)} \phi_{I(l,n)} dx$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{:= M(l,m,n)}$ mass term

Reference Maps!



$$T^K_l$$



$$T^K_l(\hat{x}) := v_{I(l,1)} + (v_{I(l,2)} - v_{I(l,1)}) \hat{x}_1 + (v_{I(l,3)} - v_{I(l,1)}) \hat{x}_2$$

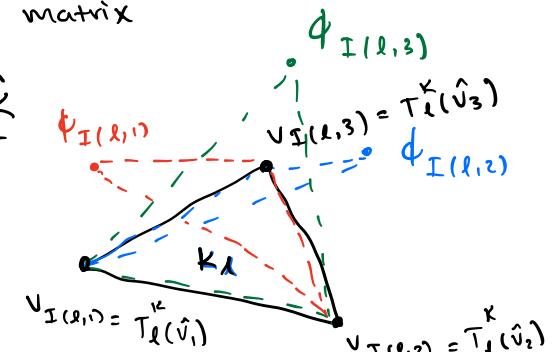
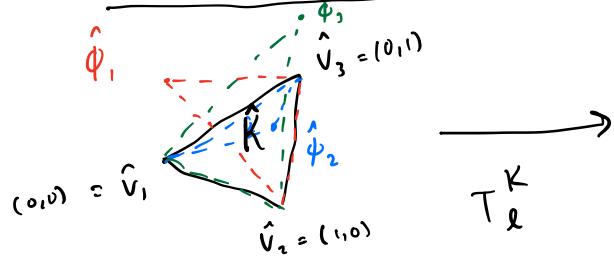
$$= v_{I(l,1)} + \left[\begin{array}{c|c} v_{I(l,2)} - v_{I(l,1)} & v_{I(l,3)} - v_{I(l,1)} \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

matrix w/ columns := B_l

Facts about T_ℓ^K : 1. $DT_\ell^K = B_\ell$

Jacobian matrix

2. Reference basis functions on \hat{K}



$$\textcircled{X} \quad \phi_{I(l,m)} \circ T_\ell^K = \hat{\phi}_m^K \quad m=1,2,3$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\phi}_1^K(\hat{x}) &= 1 - \hat{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2 \\ \hat{\phi}_2^K(\hat{x}) &= \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{\phi}_3^K(\hat{x}) &= \hat{x}_2\end{aligned}$$

$$M(l,m,n) = \int_{K_l} q_f(x) \phi_{I(l,m)}(x) \phi_{I(l,n)}(x) dx$$

Change variables

$$x = T_\ell(\hat{x}) \rightarrow =$$

comes from changing variables in multiple dimensions

$$\int_{\hat{K}} q_f \circ T_\ell^K(\hat{x}) \cdot \underbrace{\phi_{I(l,m)} \circ T_\ell^K(\hat{x})}_{\hat{\phi}_m^K(\hat{x})} \cdot \underbrace{\phi_{I(l,n)} \circ T_\ell^K(\hat{x})}_{\hat{\phi}_n^K(\hat{x})} \cdot |\det DT_\ell^K| d\hat{x}$$

$$M(l,m,n) = |\det B_\ell| \int_{\hat{K}} q_f \circ T_\ell^K \hat{\phi}_m^K \hat{\phi}_n^K d\hat{x}$$

much simpler to calculate!

$$S(l,m,n) = \int_K \nabla_x \phi_{I(l,m)}(x) \cdot \nabla_x \phi_{I(l,n)}(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{\hat{K}} (\nabla_x \phi_{I(l,m)}) \circ T_l^k(\hat{x}) \cdot (\nabla_x \phi_{I(l,m)}) \circ T_l^k(\hat{x}) \mid \det DT_l^k \mid d\hat{x}$$

change variables $x = T_l^k(\hat{x})$

Chain rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\hat{x}} (\phi_{I(l,m)} \circ T_l^k)(\hat{x}) &= (\nabla_x \phi_{I(l,m)}) \circ T_l^k(\hat{x}) \quad DT_l^k \\ &\quad \uparrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{gradient wrt } x \text{ variables} \\ \text{gradient wrt } \hat{x} \text{ variables} \quad \hat{\phi}_m &= (\nabla_x \phi_{I(l,m)}) \circ T_l^k(\hat{x}) \quad B_l \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\nabla_{\hat{x}} \hat{\phi}_m^k(\hat{x}) B_l^{-1} = (\nabla_x \phi_{I(l,m)}) \circ T_l^k(\hat{x}) \quad m = 1, 2, 3}$$

$$S(l, m, n) = |\det B_l| \int_{\hat{K}} (\underbrace{\nabla_{\hat{x}} \hat{\phi}_m^k(\hat{x}) B_l^{-1}}_{\text{row vector}}) \cdot (\underbrace{\nabla_{\hat{x}} \hat{\phi}_n^k(\hat{x}) B_l^{-1}}_{\text{matrix}}) d\hat{x}$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{x}} \hat{\phi}_1^k = (-1, -1)$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{x}} \hat{\phi}_2^k = (1, 0) \quad \underline{\text{constant!}}$$

$$\nabla_{\hat{x}} \hat{\phi}_3^k = (0, 1)$$

\downarrow dot product of 2 vectors

$$S(l, m, n) = |\det B_l| \underbrace{\text{area}(\hat{K})}_{\frac{1}{2}} (\nabla \hat{\phi}_m^k B_l^{-1}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{\phi}_n^k B_l^{-1})$$

$$S(l, m, n) = \frac{|\det B_l|}{2} (\nabla \hat{\phi}_m^k B_l^{-1}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{\phi}_n^k B_l^{-1})$$

No integral needed!

Approximate Integrals w/ Quadrature Rules

Quadrature on reference triangle idea

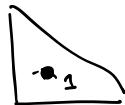
$$f: \hat{K} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \hat{x}_1^k, \dots, \hat{x}_n^k \in \hat{K}, \quad \hat{w}_1^k, \dots, \hat{w}_n^k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\int_K f(\hat{x}) d\hat{x} \approx \text{area}(\hat{K}) \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{w}_i^k f(\hat{x}_i^k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{w}_i^k f(\hat{x}_i^k)$$

Some good choices for $\{\hat{x}_i^k\}$, $\{\hat{w}_i^k\}$:

- ① Centroid, exact for when f is degree 1 or less

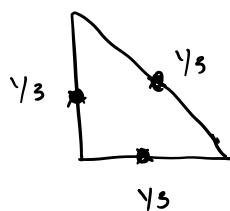
$$n=1, \quad \hat{x}_1^k = (\gamma_3, \gamma_3), \quad \hat{w}_1^k = 1$$



- ② midpoint, exact for when f is degree 2 or less

$$n=3 \quad \hat{x}_1^k = (\gamma_2, 0), \quad \hat{x}_2^k = (\gamma_2, \gamma_2), \quad \hat{x}_3^k = (0, \gamma_2)$$

$$\hat{w}_1^k = \hat{w}_2^k = \hat{w}_3^k = \frac{1}{3}$$



Can find higher order quadrature rules online.

$$M(l, m, n) \approx \frac{|\det B_\ell|}{2} \sum_i \hat{w}_i^k g_\ell(T_\ell^k(\hat{x}_i^k)) \hat{\phi}_m^k(\hat{x}_i^k) \hat{\phi}_n^k(\hat{x}_i^k)$$

Altogether :

$$a_\ell(\phi_{I(l,m)}, \phi_{I(l,n)}) \approx \underbrace{\frac{|\det B_\ell|}{2}}_{S(l,m,n)} (\nabla \hat{\phi}_m^K B_\ell^{-1}) \cdot (\nabla \hat{\phi}_n^K B_\ell^{-1}) +$$

$$\frac{|\det B_\ell|}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\text{number quadrature points}} \hat{w}_i^K q(T_\ell^K(\hat{x}_i)) \hat{\phi}_m^K(\hat{x}_i) \hat{\phi}_n^K(\hat{x}_i)$$

Computable!

$$\approx M(l,m,n).$$

We can now assemble the matrix $[a(\phi_i, \phi_j)]_{j,i}$.

$$F(\phi_j) = \underbrace{\int_R f \phi_j}_{F_R(\phi_j)} + \underbrace{\int_{\partial R} g \phi_j}_{F_{\partial R}(\phi_j)} \rightarrow$$

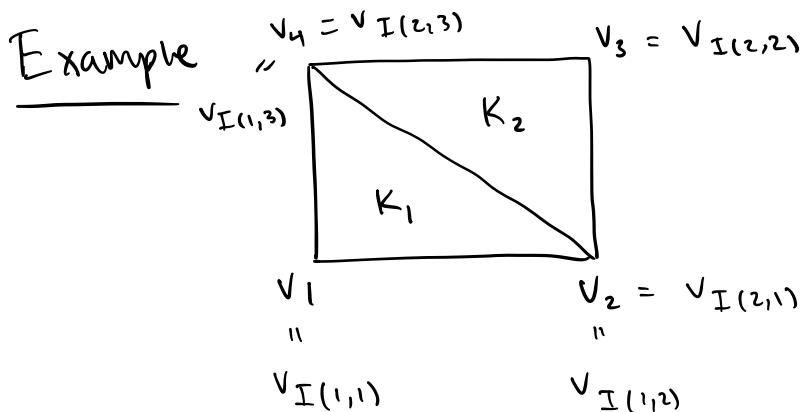
$$[F(\phi_j)]_j = [F_R(\phi_j)]_j + [F_{\partial R}(\phi_j)]_j$$

Assembling $[F_R(\phi_j)]$ is similar to $[a(\phi_i, \phi_j)]_{j,i}$

$$F_R(\phi_j) = \sum_{K_\ell \subset \text{supp } \phi_j} \underbrace{\int_{K_\ell} f \phi_j}_{:= F_{R,\ell}(\phi_j)} \rightarrow$$

For each element K_l , calculate

$\int_{K_l} f \phi_{I(l,m)}$ and add it to the entry corresponding to $F_n(\phi_{I(l,m)})$ in $[F(\phi_j)]_j$



$$\begin{bmatrix} F_n(\phi_1) \\ F_n(\phi_2) \\ F_n(\phi_3) \\ F_n(\phi_4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{n,1}(\phi_{I(1,1)}) \\ F_{n,1}(\phi_{I(1,2)}) \\ 0 \\ F_{n,1}(\phi_{I(1,3)}) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ F_{n,2}(\phi_{I(2,1)}) \\ F_{n,2}(\phi_{I(2,2)}) \\ F_{n,2}(\phi_{I(2,3)}) \end{bmatrix}$$

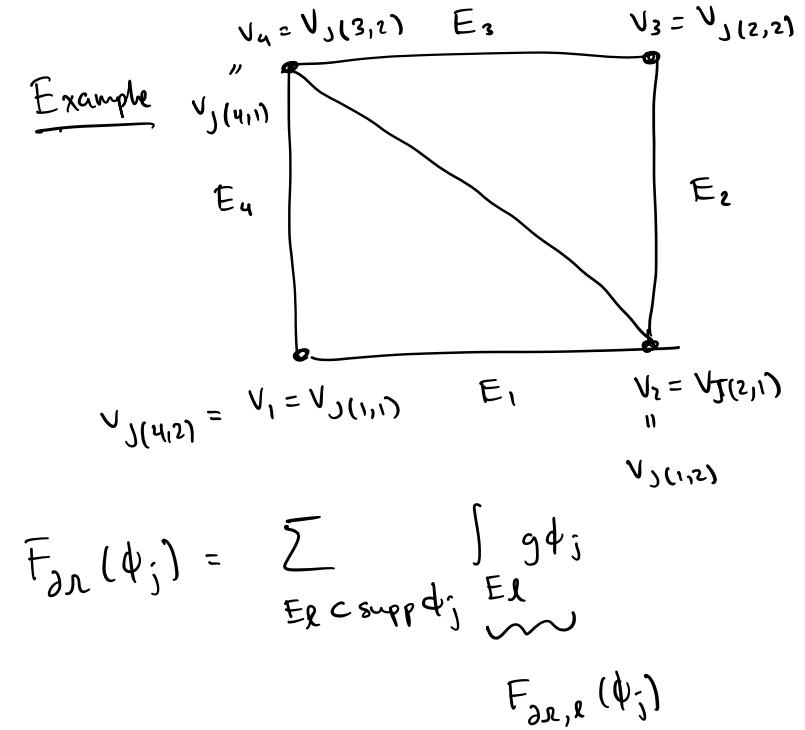
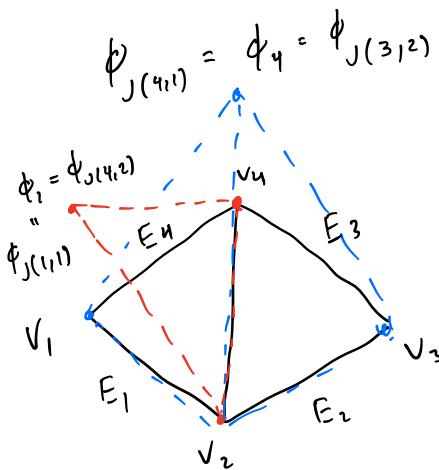
Calculating $F_{n,l}(\phi_{I(l,m)})$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{K_l} f \phi_{I(l,m)} dx &= \int_K f \circ T_l^K \hat{\phi}_m |\det D T_l^K| d\hat{x} \\ &= |\det B_l| \int_K f \circ T_l^K \hat{\phi}_m^K \approx \boxed{\frac{|\det B_l|}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\# \text{quadrpts}} \hat{w}_i f(T_l^K(\hat{x}_i^K)) \hat{\phi}_m^K(\hat{x}_i^K)} \end{aligned}$$

Assembling $[F_{\partial\Omega}(\phi_j)]_j$ is slightly different:

$$F_{\partial\Omega}(\phi_j) = \int_{\partial\Omega} g \phi_j$$

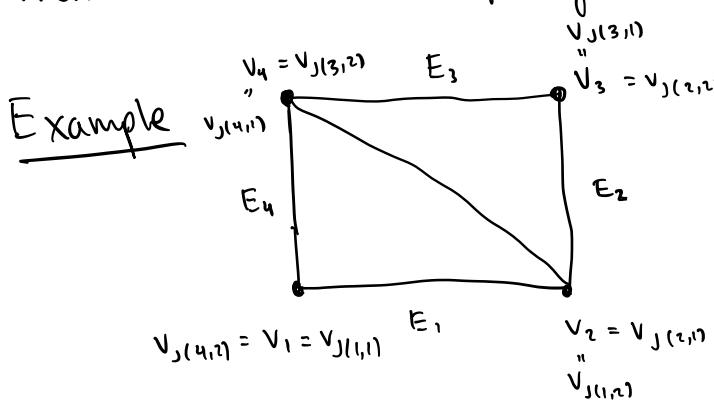
Example



The only nonzero $F_{\partial\Omega, l}(\phi_j)$ are $F_{\partial\Omega, l}(\phi_{j(l,m)})$ $m=1,2$.

Thus for each edge E_l , if we calculate $F_{\partial\Omega, l}(\phi_{j(l,m)})$ and add it to the corresponding entry in $[F_{\partial\Omega}(\phi_j)]_j$,

then we will have completely assembled $[F_{\partial\Omega}(\phi_j)]_j$

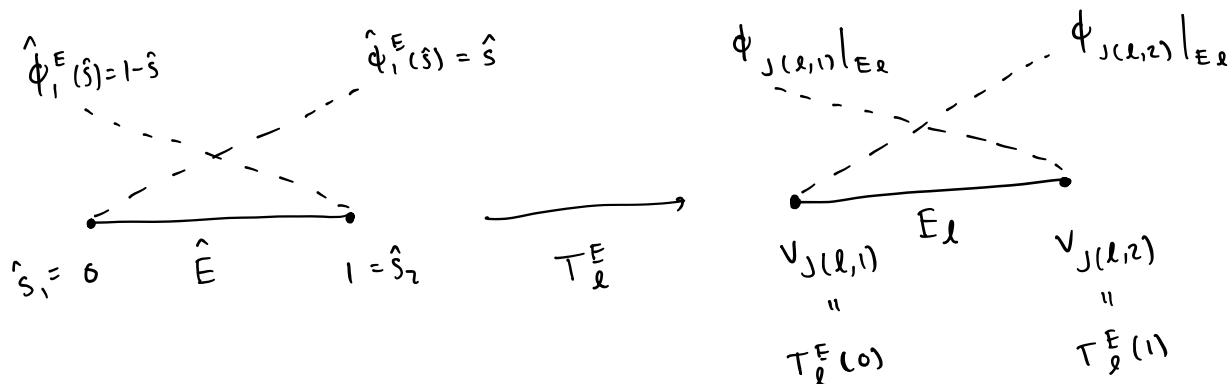


$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{\partial R}(\phi_1) \\ F_{\partial R}(\phi_2) \\ F_{\partial R}(\phi_3) \\ F_{\partial R}(\phi_4) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_{\partial R,1}(\phi_{J(1,1)}) \\ F_{\partial R,1}(\phi_{J(1,2)}) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ F_{\partial R,2}(\phi_{J(2,1)}) \\ F_{\partial R,2}(\phi_{J(2,2)}) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ F_{\partial R,3}(\phi_{J(3,1)}) \\ F_{\partial R,3}(\phi_{J(3,2)}) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} F_{\partial R,4}(\phi_{J(4,1)}) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ F_{\partial R,4}(\phi_{J(4,2)}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculating $F_{\partial R,\ell}(\phi_{J(\ell,m)})$:

Need reference maps for edges!



$$T_\ell^E(\hat{s}) = v_{J(\ell,1)} + (v_{J(\ell,2)} - v_{J(\ell,1)}) \hat{s} \rightarrow \frac{d}{d\hat{s}} T_\ell^E(\hat{s}) = \underbrace{v_{J(\ell,2)} - v_{J(\ell,1)}}_{\text{constant vector!}}$$

$$\phi_{J(\ell,m)}|_{E_\ell} \circ T_\ell^E(\hat{s}) = \hat{\phi}_m^E(\hat{s}) \quad m=1,2$$

$$F_{\partial\Omega, \ell}(\phi_{j(\ell,m)}) = \int_{E_\ell} g \phi_{j(\ell,m)} ds$$

$$\begin{aligned} s = T_\ell^E(\hat{s}) \rightarrow &= \int_{\hat{E}} g \circ T_\ell^E \hat{\phi}_m^E \underbrace{\left| \frac{d}{ds} T_\ell^E(\hat{s}) \right|}_{\text{Euclidean norm of this}} ds \end{aligned}$$

Euclidean norm of this
2-vector. Comes from
changing variables in multiple
dimensions.

$$= |V_{j(\ell,2)} - V_{j(\ell,1)}| \int_{\hat{E}} g \circ T_\ell^E \hat{\phi}_m^E ds$$

Need 1D quadrature rules

to approximate this

Good 1D quadrature rules : (Gauss Quadrature)

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx \approx \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\#QP} \hat{w}_i^E f\left(\frac{1}{2} \hat{x}_i^E + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

1. $\#QP = 1$, $\hat{x}_1^E = 0$, $\hat{w}_1^E = 2$. Exact for f a
deg ≤ 1 poly.

2. $\#QP = 2$, $\hat{x}_1^E = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\hat{x}_2^E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\hat{w}_1^E = \hat{w}_2^E = 1$
Exact for degree ≤ 3 polynomials.

Can find higher order rules online.

Thus $F_{\partial x, \ell}(\phi_{j(\ell,m)}) \approx$

$$\frac{|V_{j(\ell,2)} - V_{j(\ell,1)}|}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\#GP} \hat{w}_i^E g(T_\ell^E(\frac{1}{2}\hat{x}_i^E + \frac{1}{2})) \hat{\phi}_m^E(\frac{1}{2}\hat{x}_i^E + \frac{1}{2})$$

We can now completely assemble our system

$$[a(\phi_i, \phi_j)]_{j,i} [u_i]_i = [F_r(\phi_j)]_j + [F_{\partial x}(\phi_j)]_j$$

and solve for $[u_i]_i$.