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The Strong & Weak forms of 1D linear elliptic PDEs.

Given $u_0, t, f(x)$ and the constitutive relation

$$\sigma = E u_{,x}$$

STRONG FORM:

Find u such that

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx} + f = 0 \text{ in } (0, L)$$

$$u(0) = u_0$$

$$\sigma(L) = t$$

WEAK FORM:

Find $u \in \mathcal{S} = \{u \mid u(0) = u_0\}$
such that

$$\forall w \in \mathcal{V} = \{w \mid w(0) = 0\}$$

$$\int_0^L w_{,x} \sigma A dx = \int_0^L w f A dx + w(L)t$$

RECALL: these forms are completely equivalent.

- Approximations of the Strong Form result in Finite Difference Methods

- Approximations of the Weak Form result in the Finite Element Method!

These are infinite-dimensional function spaces.

$$u \in \mathcal{S}; \quad w \in \mathcal{V}$$

Polynomial case is denoted as:

if $\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{V} \in P^n(x)$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
Polynomials of order n .

i.e. in the case of polynomials, we consider polynomials of all orders. From the constant term all the way up to

Construct approximations in finite-dimensional function spaces.

e.g: $P^n(x)$, $n = 0, 1$

Restrict the solution space & weighting function space.

Find $\underbrace{u^h(x)}_{\substack{\text{denotation} \\ \text{for approximation} \\ \text{of } u \text{ (} u^{\text{sup } h} \text{)}}} \in \mathcal{S}^h \subset \mathcal{S}$ ^{subset}

$$\mathcal{S}^h = \{u^h \in H^1(0, L) \mid u^h(0) = u_0\}$$

such that $\forall w^h \in \mathcal{V}^h \subset \mathcal{V}$

$$\mathcal{V}^h = \{w^h \in H^1(0, L) \mid w^h(0) = 0\}$$

$$\int_0^L w_{,x}^h \sigma^h A dx = \int_0^L w^h f A dx + w^h(L) t A$$

Finite-Dimensional
Weak Form.

"Galerkin
Weak
Form"

The Finite-Dimensional Weak Form is NOT equivalent to the Strong Form — in general.

Recall the infinite-dimensional weak form.

Find $u \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $\forall w \in \mathcal{V}$

$$\int_0^L w_{,x} \sigma A dx = \int_0^L w f A dx + w(L) t A$$

In proving this is equivalent, ^{to the Strong Form} we relied on

$$\forall w \in \mathcal{V}.$$

Now: $u^h \in \mathcal{S}^h \equiv \mathcal{S}$, $w^h \in \mathcal{V}^h \subset \mathcal{V}$, so we lose the argument of equivalence.

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Function Spaces — Hilbert Spaces. {Functional Analysis}

Recall $u^n \in \mathcal{J}^h = \{u^n \in H^1(0, L) \mid u^n(0) = u_0\}$

Consider a function $v: (0, L) \mapsto \mathbb{R}$

Define the function v to be an L^2 -function.

if

$$\int_0^L v^2 dx < \infty \text{ then } v \in L^2(0, L)$$

↳ i.e. the function is bounded on the interval.

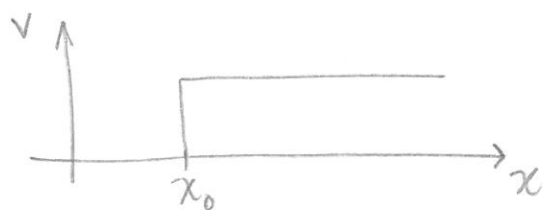
↳ i.e. the function v is L^2 if it is square integrable.

e.g. $v(x) = \text{constant}$

$$v(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{a polynomial} \end{array} \right\}$$

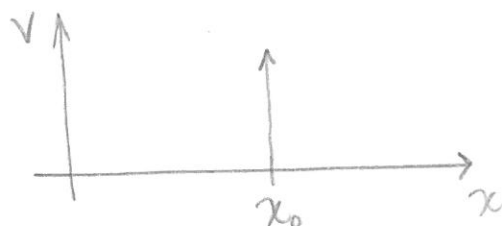
$$v(x) = H(x - x_0)$$

↑
heaviside function located at x_0 .



$$v(x) = \delta(x - x_0) \notin L^2(0, L)$$

↑
delta function



One can in general define L^p functions, where $p \in \mathbb{R}$

How about control over the derivatives of v ? (Regularity)

$v(x) \in H^1(0, L)$ if

$$\int_0^L [v^2 + \underbrace{L^2}_{\uparrow} (v_{,x})^2] dx < \infty$$

to ensure correct units.

Remark: L^2 has been introduced for dimensional purposes.

In general use $m(0, L)^{1/d} = L$; d : spatial dimension
 \uparrow
 measure of the domain. $d=1$ for 1dimer

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In \mathbb{R}^3 , $d=3$

$$m(\Omega)^{1/d} = m(\Omega)^{1/3} \approx \text{"length"}$$

$$v \in H^1(0, L) \text{ if } \int_0^L [v^2 + \underbrace{(m(0, L))^2}_{\text{units}} v_{,x}^2] dx < \infty$$

we are controlling v & its first derivative.

$$\text{Now: } u^h \in \mathcal{S}^h = \{ u^h \in H^1(0, L) \mid u^h(0) = u_0 \}$$

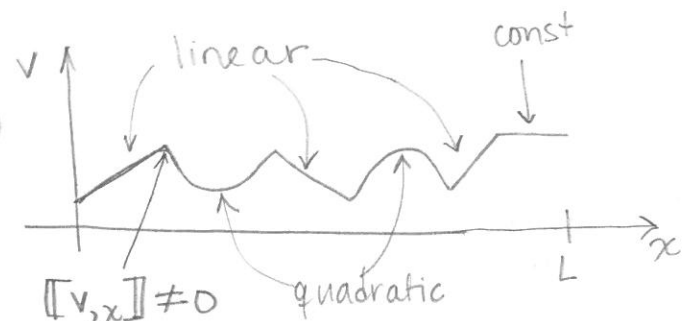
$\therefore u^h$ is bounded and so is $u^h_{,x}$.
 \downarrow
 square integrable.

e.g. $H^1(0, L)$ functions

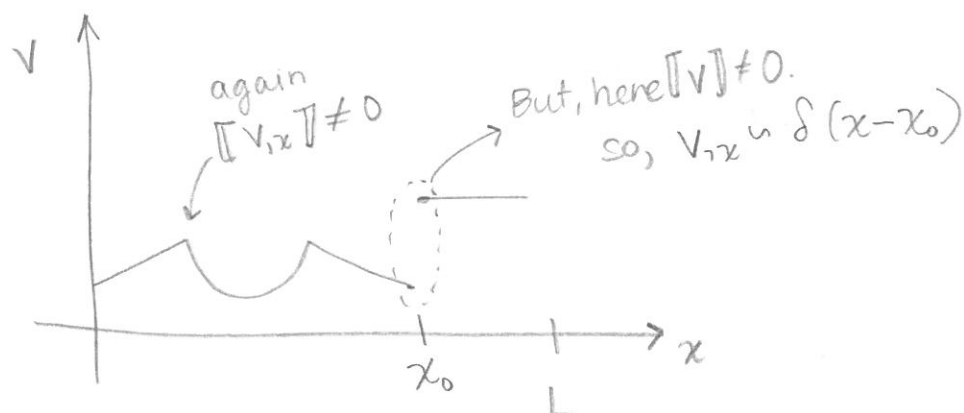
$v(x) = \text{constant}$

$$v(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k$$

$v(x) = (\text{see sketch})$



But what about this?



so, $v \notin H^1(0, L)$

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control over a funct \rightarrow Bounded

control over its derivative \rightarrow Regularity

The Finite Element Method for linear, elliptic PDEs in 1D.

Recall: the Galerkin (Finite-Dimensional) Weak Form.

Find $u^h \in \mathcal{S}^h = \{u^h \in H^1(0, L) \mid u(0) = u_0\}$

often called "trial function"

such that $\forall w^h \in \mathcal{V}^h = \{w^h \in H^1(0, L) \mid w^h(0) = 0\}$

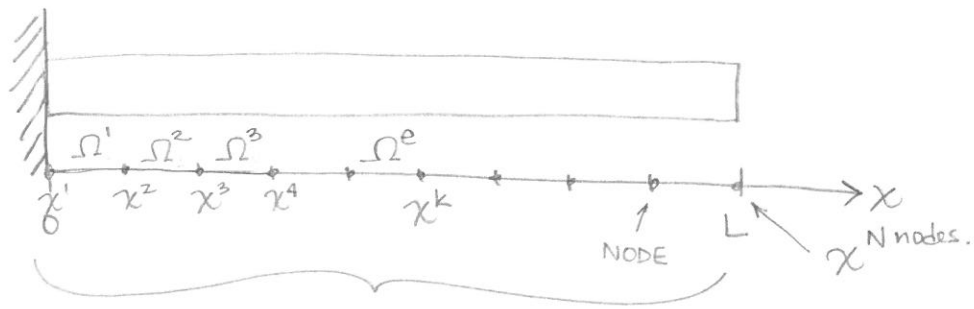
$$\int_0^L w_{,x}^h \sigma^h A dx = \int_0^L w^h f A dx + w^h(L) t A.$$

$\sigma^h = E u_{,x}^h$; $f(x)$ \leftarrow this is given, so no need to approximate. } NOT a finite dimension.

\downarrow This also holds for t , but only in 1D case.

How do we obtain u^h, w^h ? Alternately, $\mathcal{S}^h, \mathcal{V}^h$?

\Rightarrow Partition $(0, L)$ into "finite elements" which are disjoint subdomains of $(0, L)$.



$$\Omega = (0, L)$$

↑
general domain

Partitioned Ω into subdomains Ω^e ; Ω^e is an open subdomain

$$\bar{\Omega} = \bigcup_{e=1}^{n_{\text{element}}} \Omega^e$$

← union

$$\Omega^e = (x^e, x^{e+1})$$

$\bar{\Omega}$ is the closure of Ω .

$$\bar{\Omega} = \Omega \cup \partial\Omega$$

← boundary points of Ω .

x^e : nodes of the partition.

Ω^e : an element.

The Galerkin Weak Form:

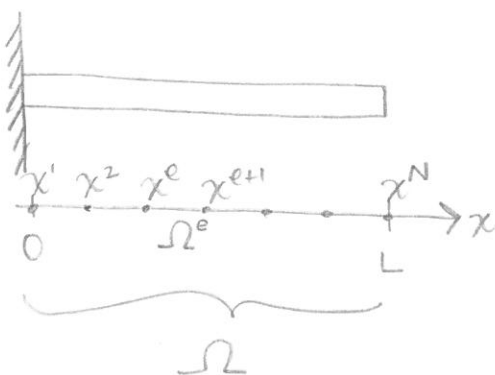
$$\int_{\Omega} w_{,x}^h \sigma^h A dx = \int_{\Omega} w^h f A dx + w^h(L) t A$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{e=1}^{n_{\text{el}}} \int_{\Omega^e} w_{,x}^h \sigma^h A dx = \sum_{e=1}^{n_{\text{el}}} \int_{\Omega^e} w^h f A dx + w^h(L) t A$$

Represent σ^h and u^h over each Ω^e

A horizontal line representing a 1D lattice with discrete sites marked by dots. The sites are labeled from left to right as $x^1, x^2, \dots, x^e, x^{e+1}, \dots, x^N$. Below the line, the site x^e is labeled 0 and the site x^N is labeled L . A bracket below the line, spanning from x^e to x^{e+1} , is labeled Ω^e .

$$[N = n_{el} + 1]$$

$$-\Omega \neq \bigcup_{e=1}^{\text{nel}} -\Omega^e$$
$$\bar{\Omega} = \overline{\bigcup_{e=1}^{n_{el}} \Omega^e} \quad \left. \vphantom{\overline{\bigcup_{e=1}^{n_{el}} \Omega^e}} \right\} \text{ this contains } x^1 \text{ AND } x^N!$$


$$N_{\text{nodes}} = n_{\text{el}} + 1$$

Galerkin Weak Form:

$$\sum_{e=1}^{nel} \int_{\Omega^e} w_x^h \sigma^h A dx = \sum_{e=1}^{nel} \int_{\Omega^e} w^h f A dx + w^h(L) t \cdot A.$$

Representation of u^h and $w^h(x)$

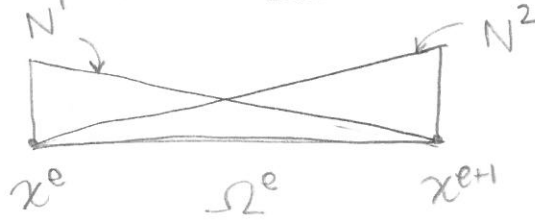
Need to represent u^h and $w^h(x)$ over Ω^e , $e=1, \dots, n_{el}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \text{-----} \bullet \\ x^e \quad \Omega^e \quad x^{e+1} \end{array}$$

Define local basis functions on Ω^e — finite number of basis functions — over Ω^e and therefore over Ω .

Two basis functions over Ω^e — polynomials, complete basis

\Rightarrow linear polynomials on Ω^e



$$N^1(x), N^2(x) \quad \text{number of nodes in the element.}$$

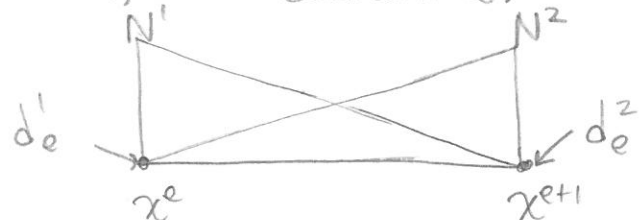
$$u_e^h(x) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N^A(x) d_e^A \quad \text{degree of freedom.}$$

$$= N^1(x) d_e^1 + N^2(x) d_e^2$$

$N^A(x)$: basis function $A=1, 2$

d_e^A : degree of freedom $A=1, 2$ on element e .

$$u_e^h(x) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N^A(x) d_e^A$$



$N^A(x)$: nodal basis functions

d_e^A : nodal degrees of freedom.

Similarly for $w_e^h(x)$:

$$w_e^h(x) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} \underbrace{N^A(x)}_{\text{basis is same}} \underbrace{c_e^A}_{\text{degree of freedom is different.}}$$

\Rightarrow Bubnov-Galerkin Method

\rightarrow same basis function for u_e^h and w_e^h .

Petrov-Galerkin is when bases are different.



Physical Domain

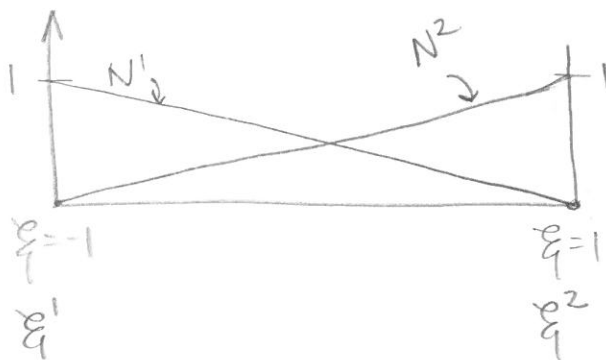
Bi-unit domain
(aka mathematical domain)

due to the mapping

$$N'(x) = N'(\chi(\xi)) = N'(\xi)$$

$$N^2(x) = N^2(\chi(\xi)) = N^2(\xi)$$

$$N^1(\xi) = \frac{1-\xi}{2}, \quad N^2(\xi) = \frac{1+\xi}{2}$$



$$N^1(-1) = 1$$

$$N^1(1) = 0$$

$$N^2(-1) = 0$$

$$N^2(1) = 1$$

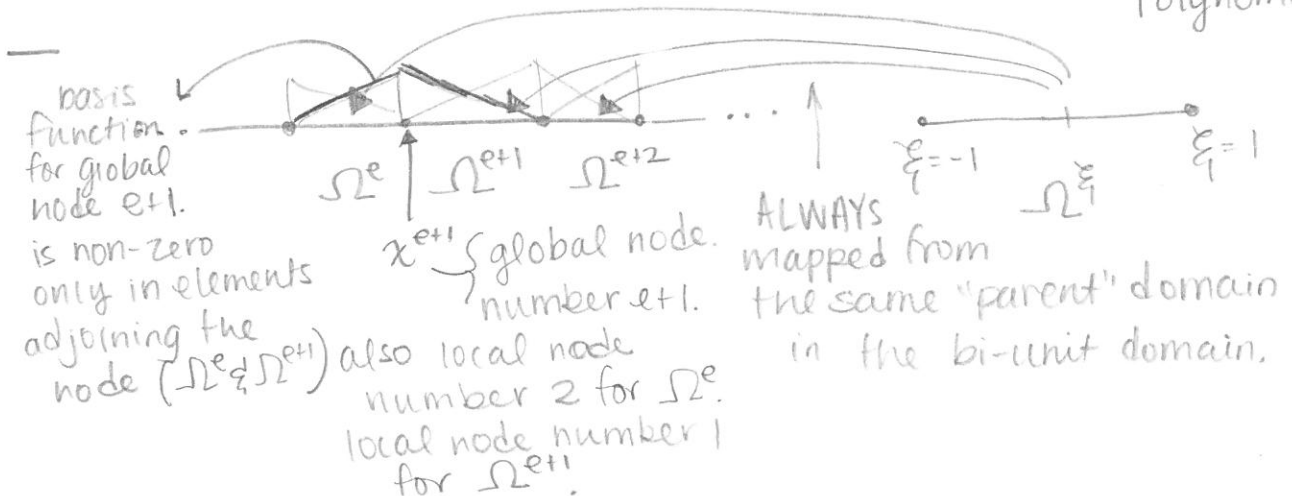
$$N^A(\xi^B) = \delta_{AB} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } A=B \\ 0 & \text{if } A \neq B \end{cases}$$

Kronecher delta

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— Also, $N^1(\xi) + N^2(\xi) = \frac{1-\xi}{2} + \frac{1+\xi}{2} = 1$

— Generalize-able to higher-order polynomials — Lagrange Polynomials



Compact Support of
Global Basis Functions

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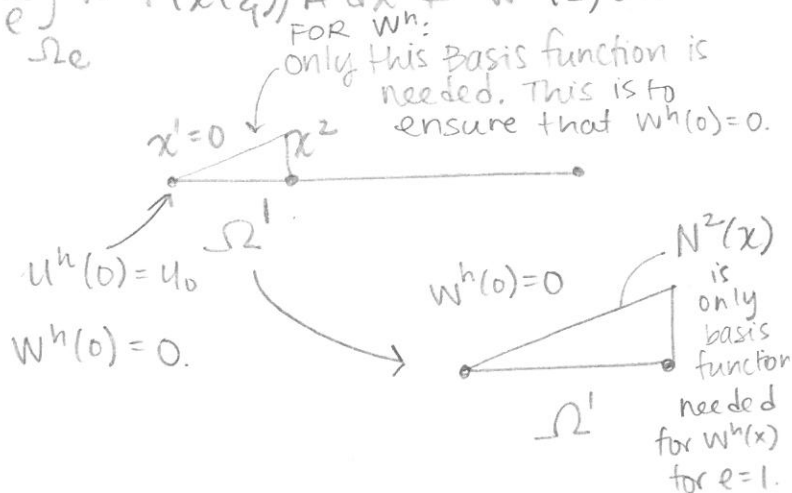
Remark: The local definition of basis functions leads to global basis functions. associated with each node, x^e with compact support in Ω^{e-1} and Ω^e .

Recall:

$$\sum_e \int_{\Omega_e} w_{1,x}^h \sigma^h A dx = \sum_e \int_{\Omega_e} w^h f(x(\xi)) A dx + w^h(L) t A$$

\nwarrow gradient \nearrow $Eu_{1,x}^h$ \nwarrow another gradient.

NOTE: In Ω^e , for $e=1$



However, for $e=2, \dots, n_{el}$

$$w_e^h(x) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N^A(x) c_e^A$$

$$w_{e=1}^h(x) = N^2(x) c_e^2$$

Need to compute $w_{1,x}^h$ and $u_{1,x}^h$ needed for $\sigma^h = E u_{1,x}^h$

$$u_{e,x}^h(x) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{x,x}^A(\xi) d_e^A \quad ; \quad w_{e,x}^h(\xi) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{x,\xi}^A(\xi) c_e^A$$

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d.o.f. has no dependence on ξ or x .

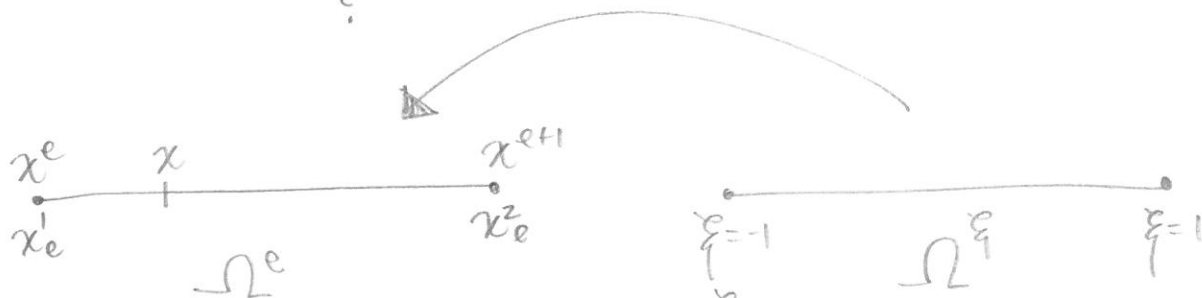
$$= \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{,\xi}^A \xi_{1,x} d_e^A$$

$$= \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{,\xi}^A \xi_{1,x} c_e^A$$

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$$u_{ix}^h = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{i,\xi}^A \xi_{i,x}^A d_e^A \quad ; \quad w_{ix}^h = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{i,\xi}^A \xi_{i,x}^A c_e^A$$

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Define the mapping to Ω^e from Ω^ξ

$$\chi(\xi) = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} (N^A(\xi)) \chi_e^A$$

Use same basis functions as for representing u^h and w^h .

$$\{\chi_e^1, \chi_e^2\} = \{\chi_e, \chi_{e+1}\}$$

local nodes global nodes.

← ISOPARAMETRIC FORMULATION.

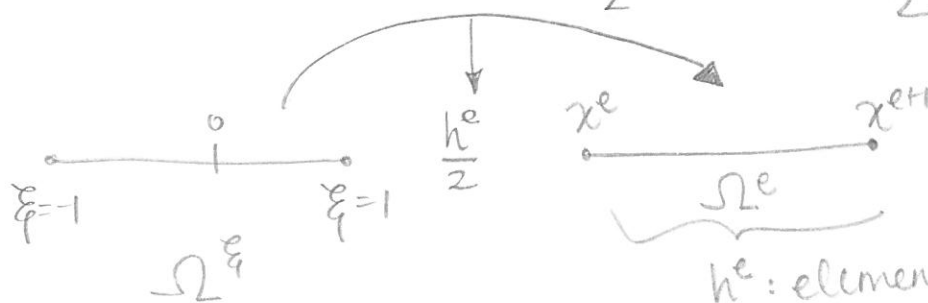
$$\chi_{i,\xi} \Big|_e = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{i,\xi}^A \chi_e^A$$

$$= N_{i,\xi}^1 \chi_e^1 + N_{i,\xi}^2 \chi_e^2$$

$\downarrow \chi_e$ $\downarrow \chi_{e+1}$

$$= \frac{d}{d\xi} \left(\frac{1-\xi}{2} \right) \chi_e^1 + \frac{d}{d\xi} \left(\frac{1+\xi}{2} \right) \chi_e^2$$

$$= \frac{\chi_e^2 - \chi_e^1}{2} = \frac{\chi_{e+1} - \chi_e}{2} = \frac{h^e}{2}$$



h^e : element length.

THIS ALLOWS US TO HAVE ELEMENTS OF UNEQUAL LENGTH.

NON UNIFORM DISCRETIZATION

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The isoparametric mapping is invertible.

$$\Rightarrow \xi_{,x} = \frac{1}{x_{,\xi}}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_{,x}^h = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{,\xi}^A \cdot \cancel{\xi_{,x}} \cdot d_e^A$$

$\nearrow 2/h^e$

$$W_{,x}^h = \sum_{A=1}^{N_{ne}} N_{,\xi}^A \cdot \cancel{\xi_{,x}} \cdot C_e^A$$

$\nearrow 2/h^e$

Consider the integrals:

$$\int_{\Omega^e} W_{,x}^h \sigma^h A dx = \int_{\Omega^e} W_{,x}^h E u_{,x}^h A dx$$

$\underbrace{W_{,x}^h}_{\text{}} \quad \underbrace{u_{,x}^h}_{\text{}}$

$$= \int_{\Omega^e} \left(\sum_A N_{,\xi}^A \frac{2}{h^e} C_e^A \right) EA \left(\sum_B N_{,\xi}^B \frac{2}{h^e} d_e^B \right) \underbrace{dx}_{\frac{dx}{d\xi} d\xi}$$

$\nearrow \frac{h^e}{2}$

AND

$$\int_{\Omega^e} W^h f(x(\xi)) A dx = \int_{\Omega^e} \left(\sum_A N^A C_e^A \right) f(x(\xi)) \underbrace{A dx}_{\frac{dx}{d\xi} d\xi}$$

$\nearrow \frac{h^e}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega^e} W_{,x}^h EA u_{,x}^h dx = \int_{\Omega_{\xi}^e} \left(\sum_A N_{,\xi}^A \frac{2}{h^e} C_e^A \right) EA \left(\sum_B N_{,\xi}^B \frac{2}{h^e} d_e^B \right) \frac{h^e}{2} d\xi$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega^e} W^h f A dx = \int_{\Omega_{\xi}^e} \left(\sum_A N^A C_e^A \right) f(\xi) A \left(\frac{h^e}{2} \right) d\xi$$