

Numerical Methods for the Solution of PDEs

Laboratory with deal.II — www.dealii.org

LAB 3 — FEValues

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Aims for this Lecture

- Integration of Finite Element functions on cells (or faces)
 - Local numbering VS global numbering
 - Mapping
 - Basis function Values and Gradients
- Post-processing and visualisation
 - Error tables



Reference material

- Documentation
 - https://www.dealii.org/current/doxygen/deal.II/group_FE_vs_Mapping_vs_FEValues.html
 - https://www.dealii.org/current/doxygen/deal.II/group_UpdateFlags.html



What we want to compute today:

Error in the finite element space interpolation:

$$\|u - u_h\|_{1,\Omega} = \sqrt{\int_{\Omega} (u - u_h)^2 + (\nabla u - \nabla u_h)^2}$$



Split integration on cells:

Integrate g on all cells T_m :

$$b := \int_{\Omega} g = \sum_m b_m := \sum_m \int_{T_m} g dT_m$$

Transform integral on T_m to \hat{T}

$$\int_{T_m} g dT_m = \int_{\hat{T}} (g \circ F_m) J_m d\hat{T} \quad J_m := \det(DF_m)$$

Use quadrature formula on \hat{T}

$$\int_{\hat{T}} (g \circ F_m) J d\hat{T} \simeq \sum_{q=0}^{n_q-1} g(F_m(\hat{x}_q)) J_m \hat{w}_q$$



Split integration on cells:

For gradients:

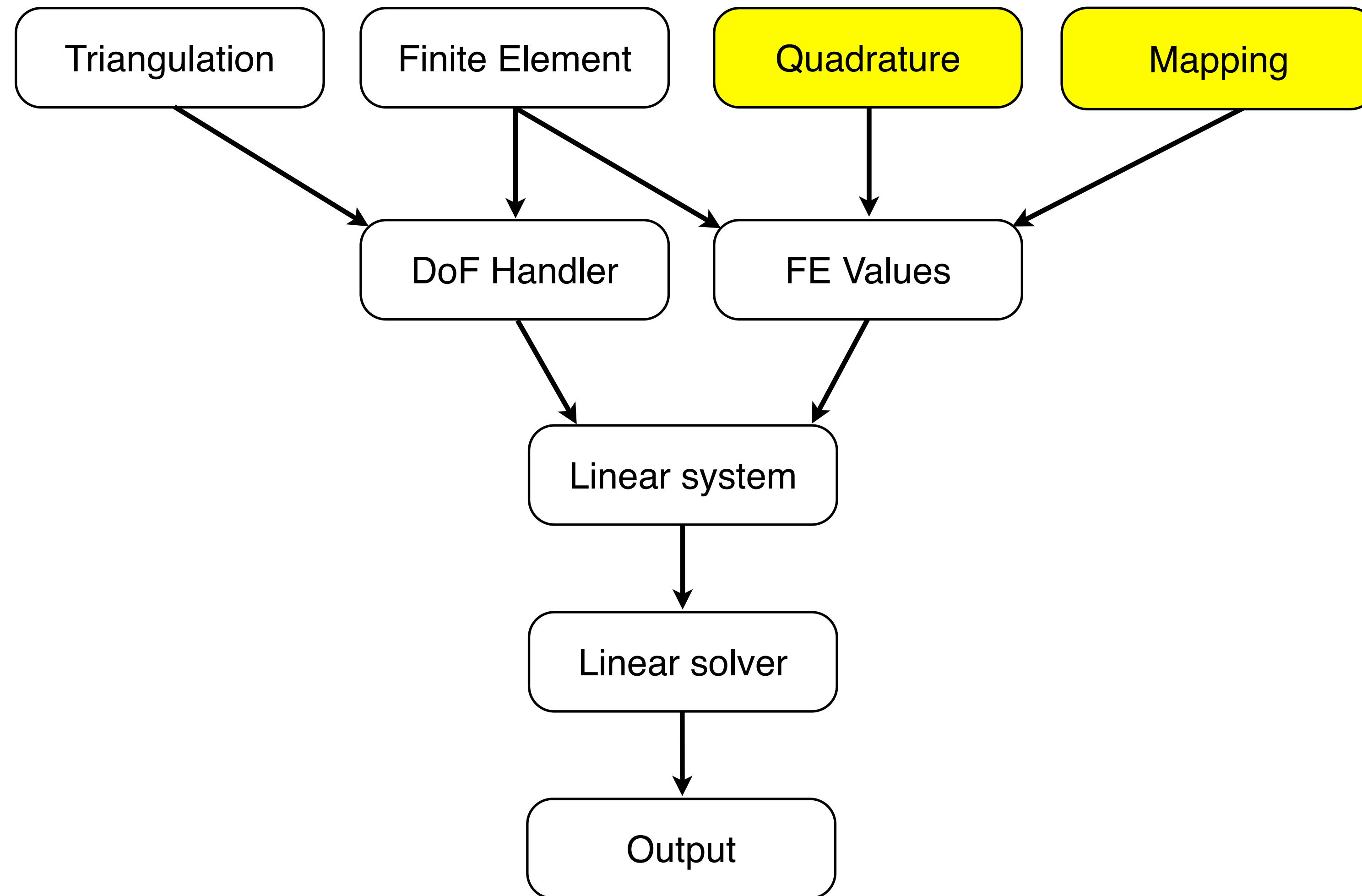
$$\hat{\nabla}(g \circ F_m) = [\nabla g \circ F_m] DF_m^T \implies \nabla g = [\hat{\nabla}(g \circ F_m)] DF_m^{-T}$$

On each quadrature point we need:

$$x_q := F_m(\hat{x}_q), \quad B_m := DF_m(\hat{x}_q), \quad J_q w_q = \det(B_m), \quad B_m^{-T}$$



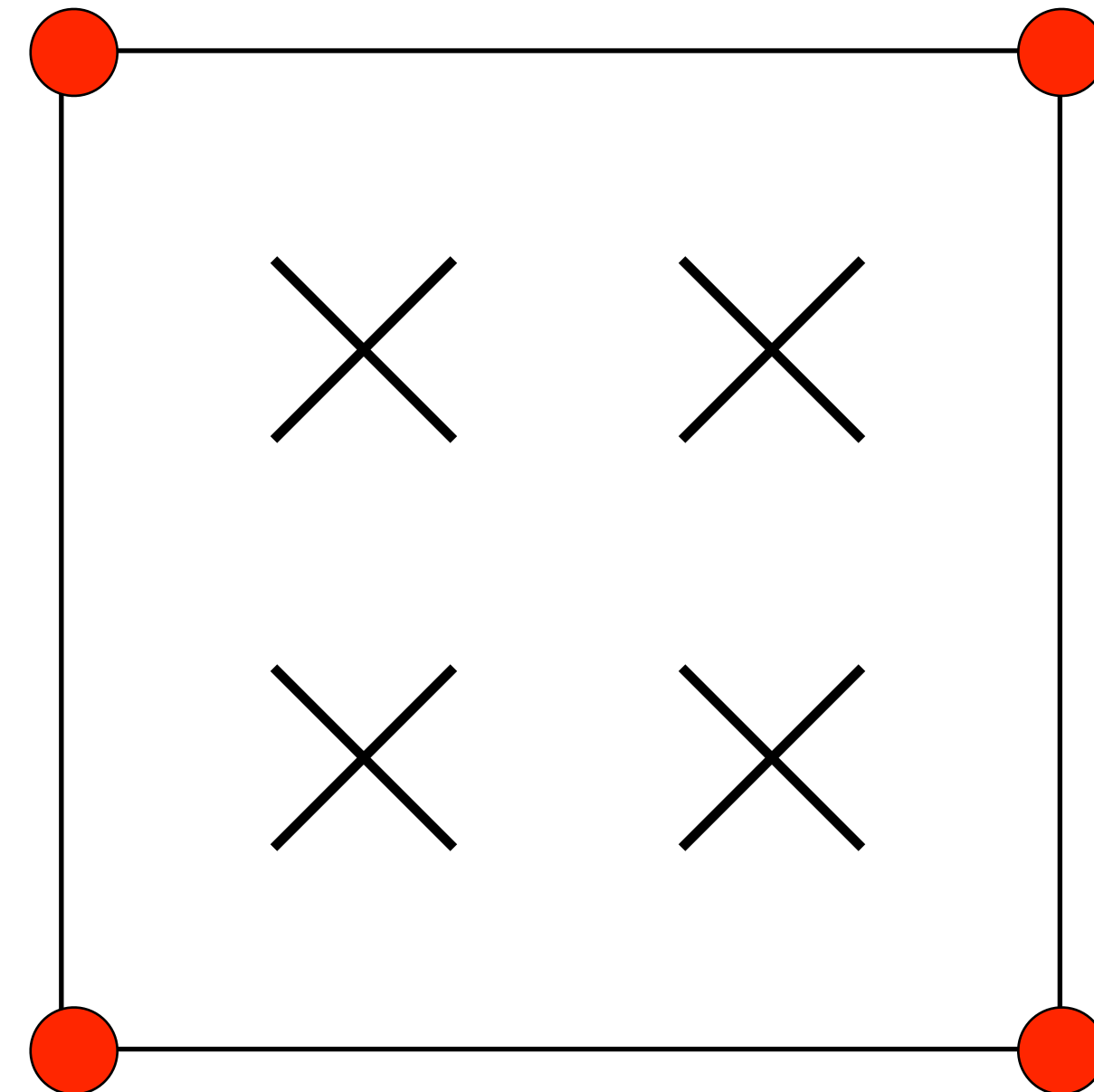
New classes



Integration on a cell: the Quadrature classes

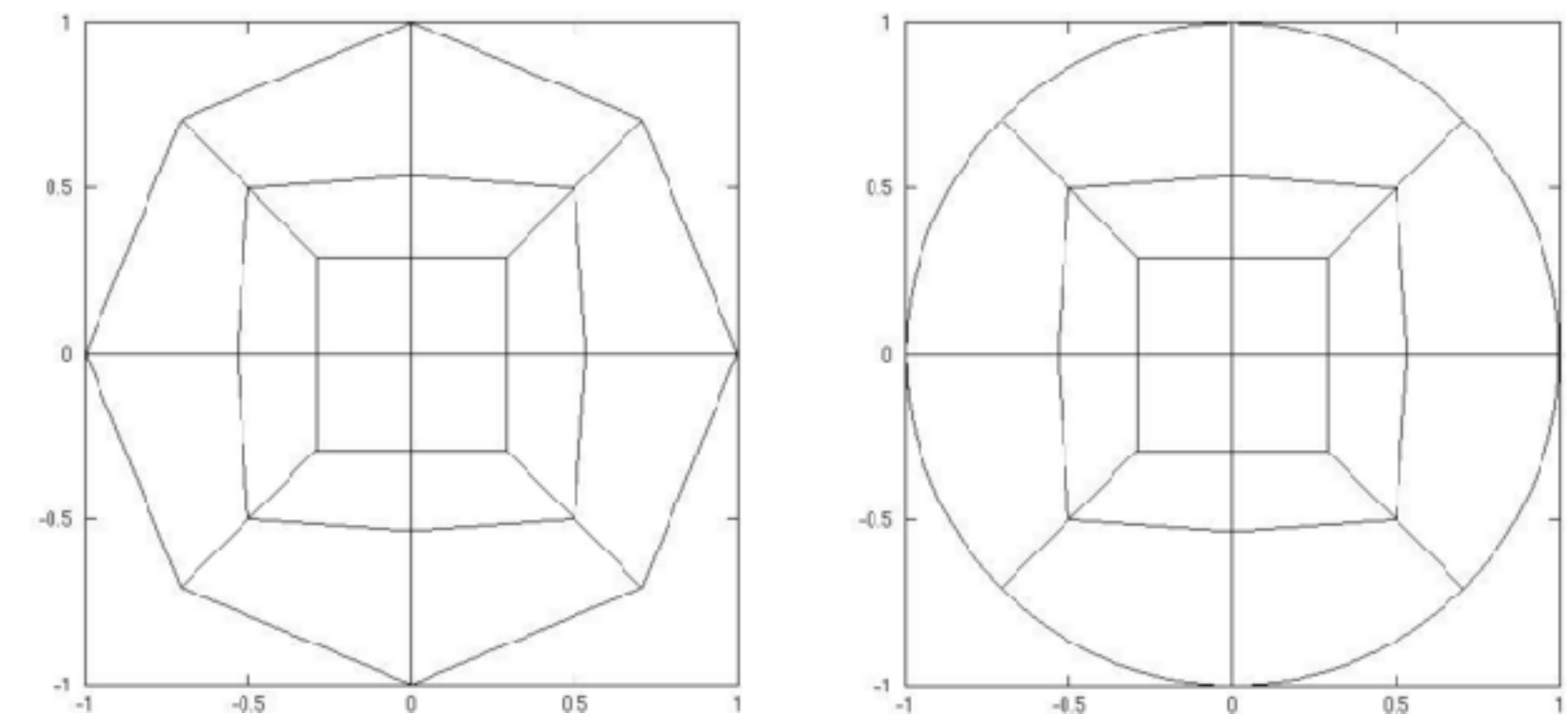
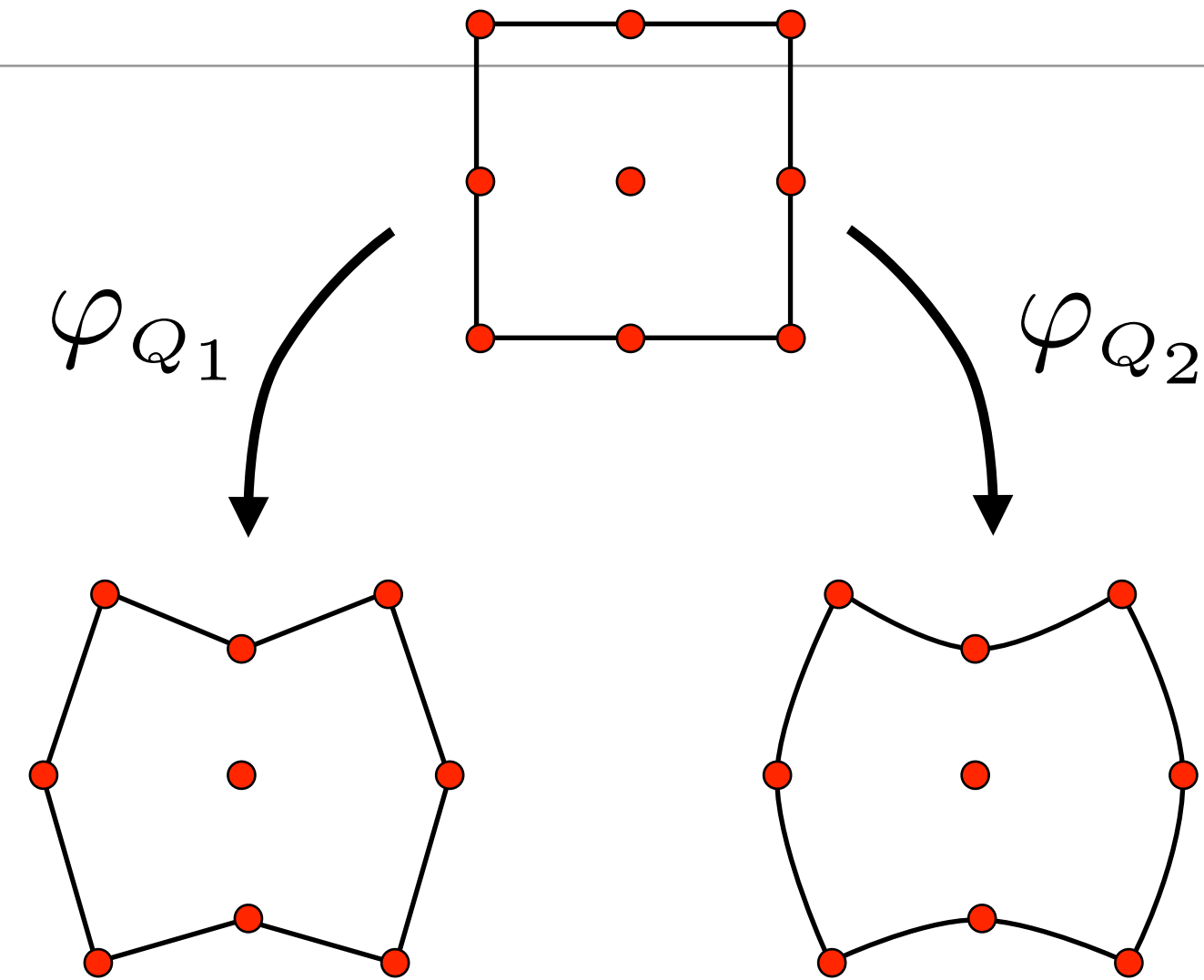
- n-Order Gauss quadrature
- Other rules
 - Gauss Lobatto
 - Simpson
 - Trapezoidal
 - Midpoint
 - A few others
- Anisotropic
 - Tensor product

FE_Q<2>(1)

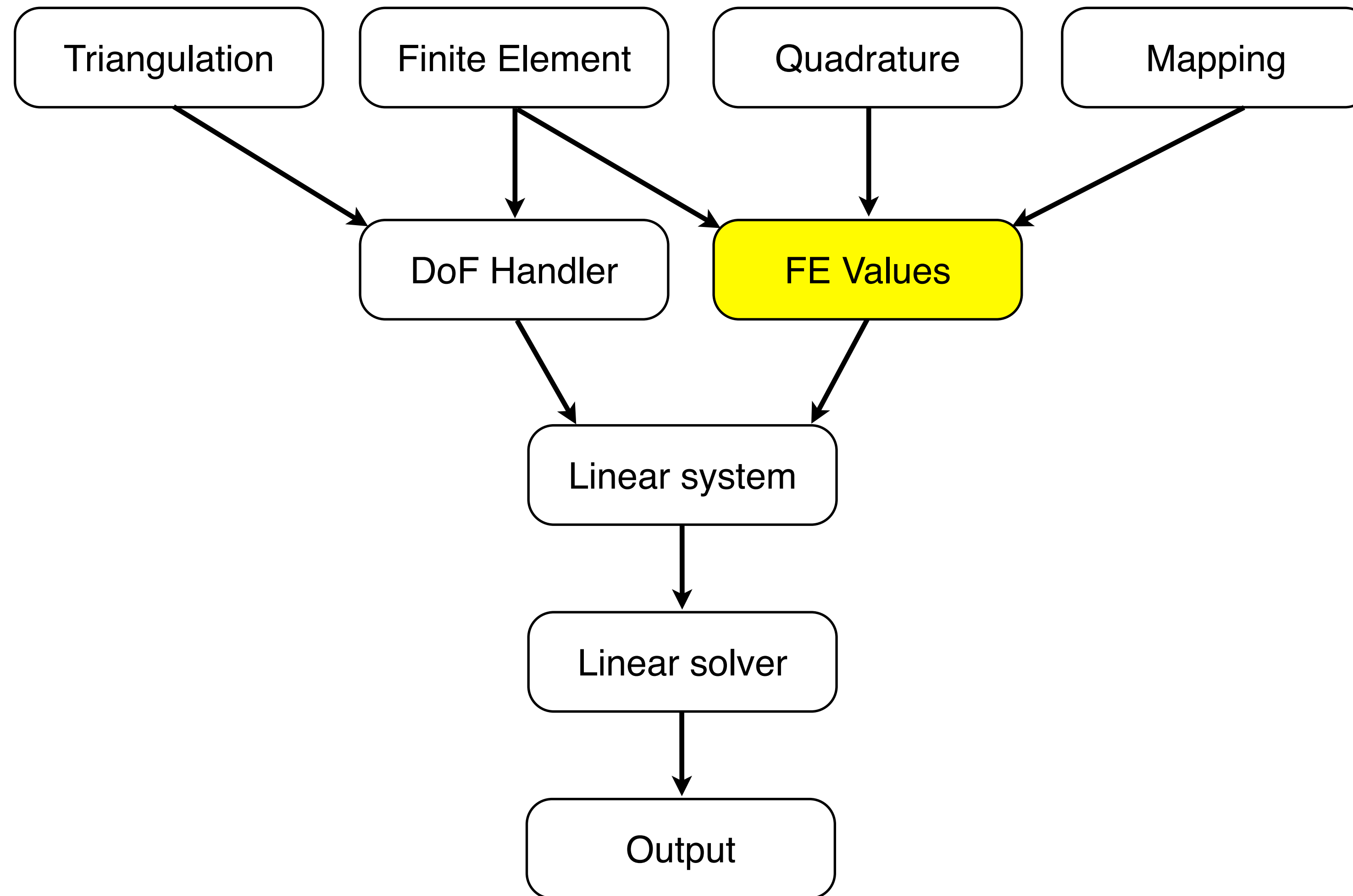


Integration on a cell: the Mapping classes

- n-order mappings
 - Increase accuracy of:
 - Integration schemes
 - Surface basis vectors
- Boundary and interior manifolds



New class



Integration on a cell: the *FEValues* class

- Object that helps perform integration
- Combines information of:
 - Cell geometry
 - Finite-element system
 - Quadrature rule
 - Mappings
- Can provide:
 - Shape function data
 - Quadrature weights and mapping jacobian at a point
 - Normal on face surface
 - Covariant/contravariant basis vectors
- More ways it can help:
 - Object to extract shape function data for individual fields
 - Natural expressions when coding
- Low level optimisations

$$b_m := \sum_{q=0}^{n_q-1} g(F_m(\hat{x}_q)) J_m \hat{w}_q$$

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b(m) +=  
  
    g(fe_values.quadrature_point(q_point)) *  
  
    fe_values.JxW (q_point);
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