

Finite Elements for Engineers

Lecture 5: 3D Boundary Value Problems

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\alpha_x(x, y, z) \frac{\partial u(x, y, z)}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\alpha_y(x, y, z) \frac{\partial u(x, y, z)}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\alpha_z(x, y, z) \frac{\partial u(x, y, z)}{\partial z} \right) + \beta(x, y, z)u(x, y, z) + f(x, y, z) = 0$$

BCs

$$u(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}) = \hat{u} \text{ on } \Gamma_1$$

$$\alpha_x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} n_x + \alpha_y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} n_y + \alpha_z \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} n_z + gu + c = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_2$$

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Trial Solution

Step 1: Galerkin's Method – Residual Equations

$$\iiint_{\Omega} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\alpha_x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\alpha_y \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\alpha_z \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) + \beta(x, y, z)u(x, y, z) + f(x, y, z) \right] \phi_i(x, y, z) dx dy dz = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Divergence Theorem

$$\iiint_{\Omega} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial z} \right) dx dy dz = \iint_{\Gamma} (Fn_x + Gn_y + Hn_z) dS$$

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Step 2: Galerkin's Method – Integration of Parts

$$\iiint_{\Omega} \left\{ \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \alpha_x \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \alpha_y \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \alpha_z \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial z} - \beta u \phi_i \right\} dx dy dz$$
$$+ \iint_{\Gamma} (g u \phi_i) dS = \iiint_{\Omega} f \phi_i dx dy dz - \iint_{\Gamma} (c \phi_i dS) \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Step 3: Using the trial solution

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \left(\iiint_{\Omega} \left\{ \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \alpha_x \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial y} \alpha_y \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial z} \alpha_z \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial z} - \phi_i \beta \phi_j \right\} dx dy dz + \iint_{\Gamma} \phi_i g \phi_j dS \right) u_j =$$
$$\iiint_{\Omega} f \phi_i dx dy dz - \iint_{\Gamma} (c \phi_i dS) \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

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Element Equations

$$\left[\mathbf{k}_{n \times n}^{\alpha} + \mathbf{k}_{n \times n}^{\beta} + \mathbf{k}_{n \times n}^g \right] \mathbf{u}_{n \times 1} = \mathbf{f}_{n \times 1}^{\text{int}} + \mathbf{f}_{n \times 1}^{\text{bnd}}$$

$$k_{ij}^{\alpha} = \iiint_{\Omega} \left\{ \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x} \alpha_x \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial y} \alpha_y \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial z} \alpha_z \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial z} \right\} dx dy dz$$

$$k_{ij}^{\beta} = - \iiint_{\Omega} \phi_i \beta \phi_j dx dy dz$$

$$k_{ij}^g = \iint_{\Gamma} \phi_i g \phi_j dS$$

$$f_i^{\text{int}} = \iiint_{\Omega} f \phi_i dx dy dz \quad f_i^{\text{bnd}} = - \iint_{\Gamma} (c \phi_i dS)$$

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Convective Stiffness and Element Load Vector

$$k_{ij}^g = \iint_{\Gamma} \phi_i g \phi_j dS$$

$$f_i^{bnd} = - \iint_{\Gamma} (c \phi_i dS)$$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} d\xi d\eta = \mathbf{n} dS$$

$$\left\| \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} \right\| d\xi d\eta = dS$$

$$P = \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{Bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi} = \begin{Bmatrix} J_{11} \\ J_{12} \\ J_{13} \end{Bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} = \begin{Bmatrix} J_{21} \\ J_{22} \\ J_{23} \end{Bmatrix}$$

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Element Load Vector

$$f_i^{bnd} = - \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n w_k w_l c \left[\phi_i \left\| \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} \right\| \right]_{(\xi_k, \eta_l)}$$

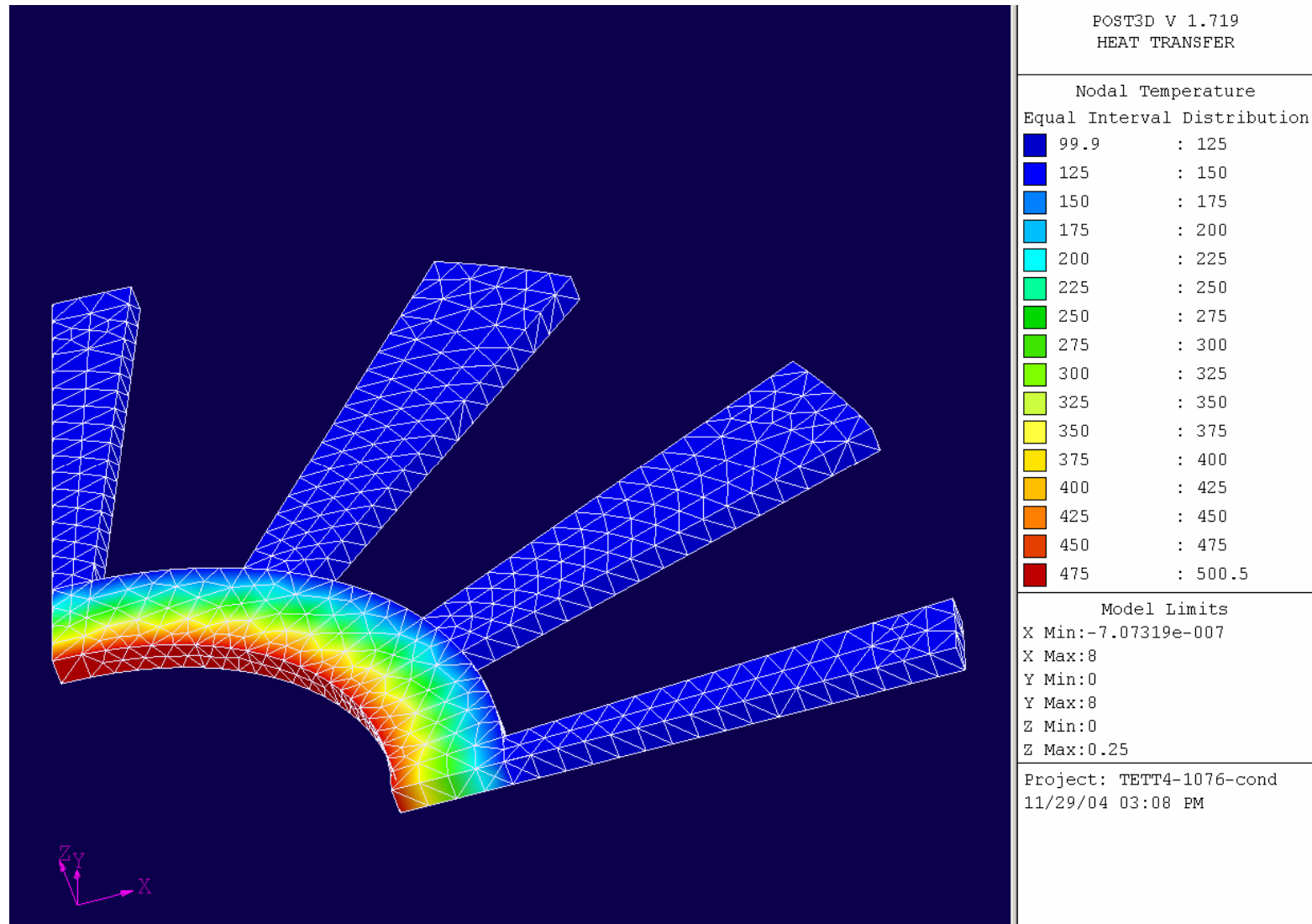
Convective Stiffness

$$k_{ij}^g = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n w_k w_l g \left[\phi_i \phi_j \left\| \frac{\partial P}{\partial \xi} \times \frac{\partial P}{\partial \eta} \right\| \right]_{(\xi_k, \eta_l)}$$

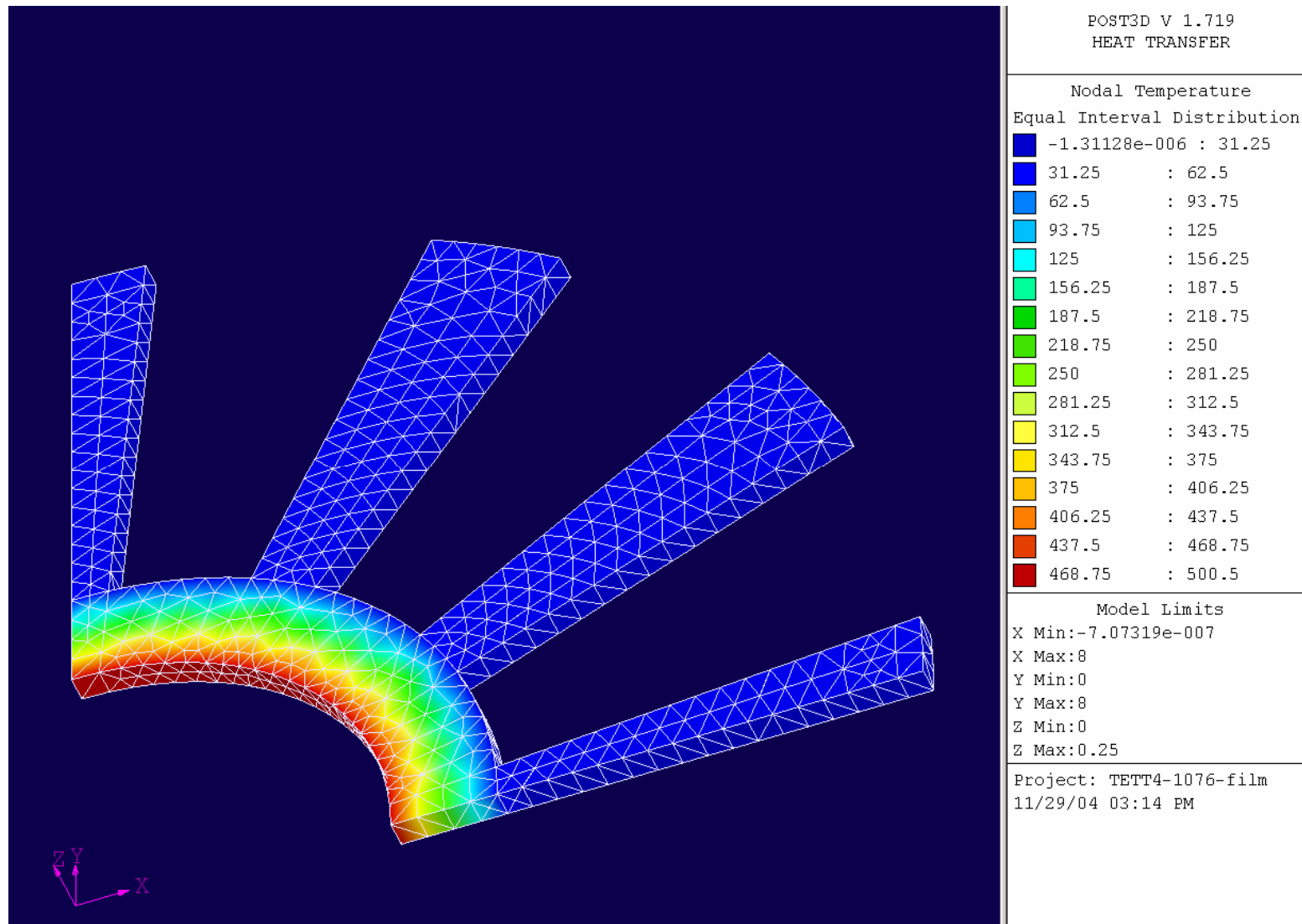
With volume coordinates

$$\int_V \xi^l \eta^m \zeta^n \varsigma^o dV = \frac{l!m!n!o!6V}{(l+m+n+o+3)!}$$

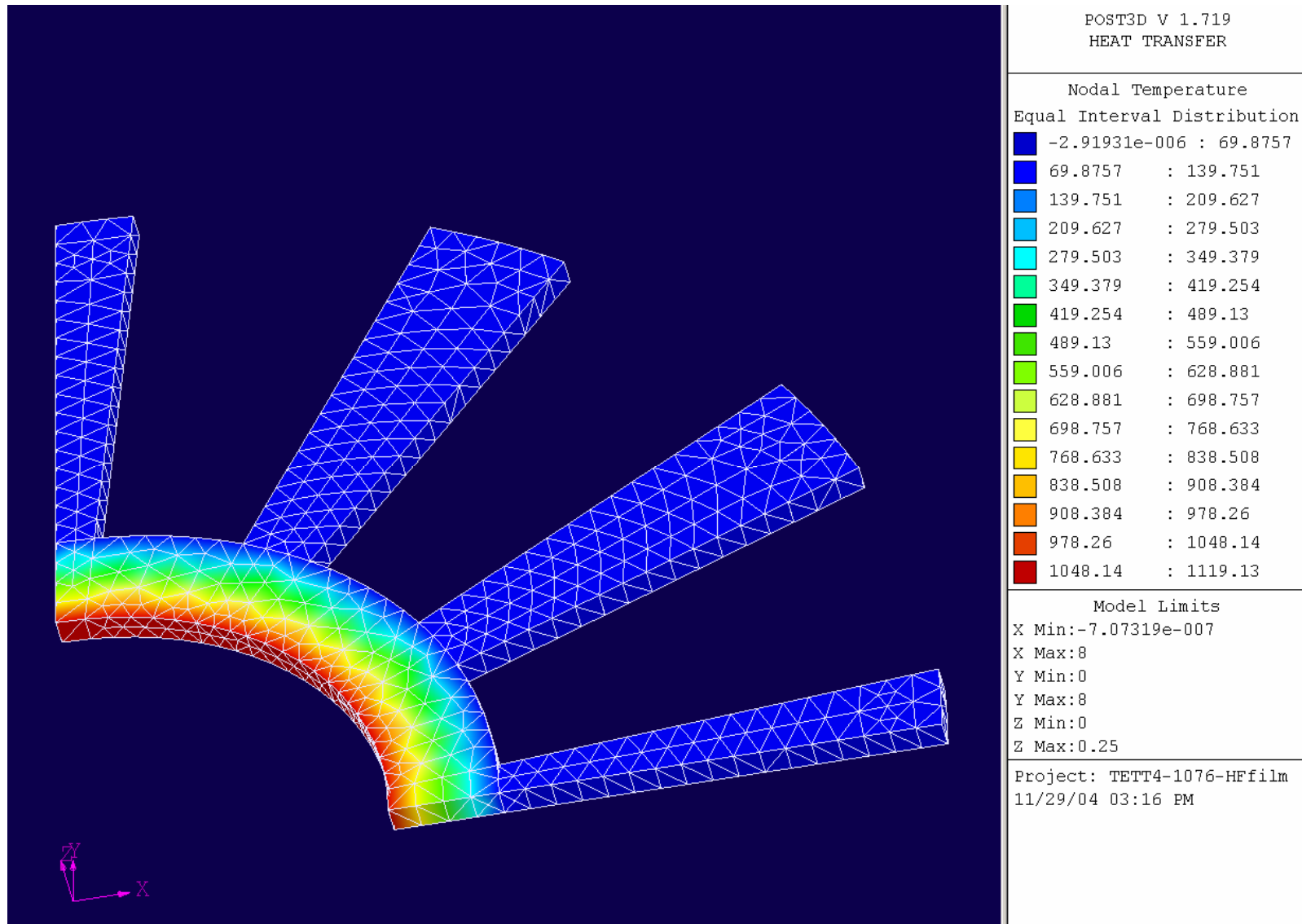
Example: Conduction Only



Example: Cond + Conv



Example: Cond + Conv + Flux



Summary

- The basic ideas from 1D and 2D BVP carry over.
 - Chain rule of differentiation
 - Divergence Theorem
 - Integration by parts
- The element shape functions for the 3D elements (hexahedral, tetrahedral and wedge) are the same as before.

Summary

- Numerical integration can be applied (as before) using natural and volume coordinates.
- Computation of boundary-related terms (stiffness and load) requires special treatment.