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function MeshData = generate1Dmesh(Nelem,x1_lim1,x1_lim2)
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% This function generates a 1D mesh.
% Inputs: Nelem      : Number of elements required on the 1D mesh
%          x1_lim1    : the lower limit of the domain considered
%          x2_lim2    : the upper limit of the domain considered
% Output: MeshData   : This is a structure that contains all the necessary
%                     information about the domain being meshed
%          dim         : The dimension of the domain - 1D
%          num_elem    : Number of elements present in the domain
%          num_node    : Number of nodes present in the domain
%          DOF         : Array containing the DOF ID of each node in the mesh
%          BoundaryDOF: Array containing the DOF assigned to the boundary nodes
%          GridFn      : A cell array containing the spatial location of the
%                     nodes present in each element

x = x1_lim1:(x1_lim2 - x1_lim1)/Nelem : x1_lim2;

Nnodes = Nelem + 1;
GridFn = cell(1,Nnodes);
DOF = zeros(1,Nnodes);
boundary_dof = zeros(1,2);
b_dof = 1;

for i=1:Nnodes
    DOF(i) = i;
    GridFn{i} = x(i); % storing the position data in a GridFn
    if i==1 || i==Nnodes
        boundary_dof(b_dof) = i;
        b_dof = b_dof + 1;
    end
end

MeshData.dim = 1;
MeshData.num_elem = Nelem;
MeshData.num_node = Nnodes;
MeshData.DOF = DOF;
MeshData.BoundaryDOF = boundary_dof;
MeshData.GridFn = GridFn;

end

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