Approximation to PDE by narrow-base trial functions

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Defining the PDE problem

$$A(\phi) = 0$$
 in Ω

L: linear differential operator

$$p \neq p(\phi)$$

$$L(\phi) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\kappa \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\kappa \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$p = Q$$

$$\kappa \neq \kappa(\phi)$$

$$B(\phi) = M(\phi) + r = 0$$
 in Γ

$$\left[\mathsf{M}(\phi) = \phi\right] \quad ; \quad r = -\overline{\phi} \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{\phi} \quad \text{DIRICHLET}$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathsf{M}(\phi) = \phi & ; \quad r = -\overline{\phi} & \text{on } \Gamma_{\phi} & \text{DIRICHLET} \\ \mathsf{M}(\phi) = -\kappa \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} & ; \quad r = -\overline{q} & \text{on } \Gamma_{q} & \text{NEUMANN} \end{cases}$$

Introduction to the PDE approximation How to choose the trial functions

$$\phi(x) \cong \hat{\phi}(x) = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} N_{m}(x)$$
on
$$\Gamma \begin{cases} \mathsf{M}(\psi) = -r \\ \mathsf{M}(N_{m}) = 0 \end{cases}; \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\hat{\phi}(x) = \phi(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \Gamma$$

Introduction to the PDE approximation The trial functions and its derivatives

$$\phi(x) \cong \hat{\phi}(x) = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} N_{m}(x)$$

$$\mathsf{L}\hat{\phi} = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{L}N_{m}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \cong \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial x} = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} \frac{\partial N_{m}}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x} \cong \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\phi}}{\partial x} = \sum_{m} \phi_m \frac{\partial^2 N_m}{\partial x}$$

 N_m needs the regularity imposed by L to relax it we redefine the problem in a weak form

Approximation by weighted residual Weak formulation and the Galerkin method

$$\begin{split} R_{\Omega} &= A(\phi) = \mathsf{L} \hat{\phi} + p = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{L} \; N_{m} + p \\ R_{\Gamma} &= B(\phi) = \mathsf{M}(\phi) + r = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{M} \; N_{m} + r \\ \int_{\Omega} W_{l} \; R_{\Omega} \; d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W}_{l} \; R_{\Gamma} \; d\Gamma = 0 \\ \int_{\Omega} W_{l} \left(\sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{L} \; N_{m} + p \right) d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W}_{l} \left(\sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{M} \; N_{m} + r \right) d\Gamma = 0 \\ \int_{\Omega} W_{l} \left(\sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{L} \; N_{m} \right) d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W}_{l} \left(\sum_{m} \phi_{m} \; \mathsf{M} \; N_{m} \right) d\Gamma = - \int_{\Omega} W_{l} p \; d\Omega - \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W}_{l} \; r \; d\Gamma \\ K_{lm} \phi_{m} &= f_{l} \\ K_{lm} &= \int_{\Omega} W_{l} \; \mathsf{L} \; N_{m} \; d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W}_{l} \; \mathsf{M} \; N_{m} \; d\Gamma \\ f_{l} &= - \int_{\Omega} W_{l} \; p \; d\Omega - \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W}_{l} \; r \; d\Gamma \qquad l, m = 1, 2, \cdots, M \end{split}$$

Weak formulation and functional regularity

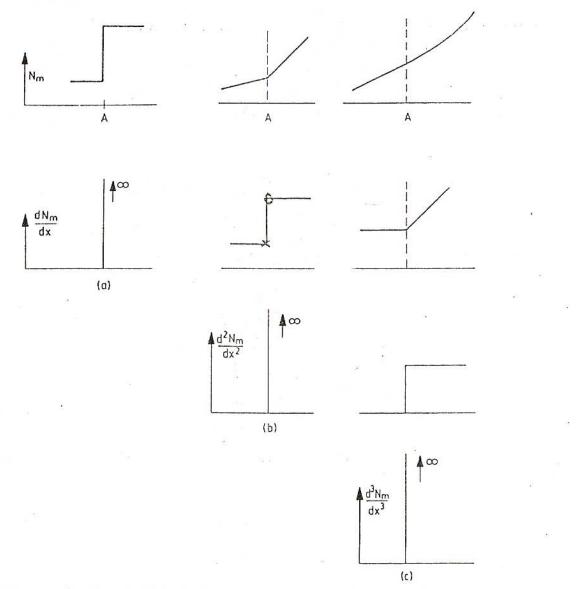


FIGURE 3.4. Behavior of three types of one-dimensional shape functions and their derivatives near the junction A of two elements.

Weak formulation and functional regularity

$$\int_{\Omega} W_l \left(\mathsf{L} \hat{\phi} + \mathsf{p} \right) d\Omega = \int_{\Omega} \mathsf{C} W_l \, \mathsf{D} \hat{\phi} \, d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} W_l \, \mathsf{E} \hat{\phi} \, d\Gamma + \int_{\Omega} W_l \, p d\Omega = 0$$

$$\int_{\Omega} W_l \left(\mathsf{L} \hat{\phi} + \mathsf{p} \right) d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W_l} \left(\mathsf{M} \hat{\phi} + \mathsf{r} \right) d\Gamma =$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} \mathsf{C} W_l \, \mathsf{D} \hat{\phi} \, d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} W_l \, p d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} W_l \, \mathsf{E} \hat{\phi} \, d\Gamma + \int_{\Gamma} \overline{W_l} \, \left(\mathsf{M} \hat{\phi} + \mathsf{r} \right) d\Gamma = 0$$

In this way it is feasible to reduce the regularity requirements for the functional spaces balancing the cost of the computations between weight and trial functions

Some 1D problems Again solving example 5 now with FEM

Find $\hat{\phi}(x)$ solution of the following ODE

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \phi}{\mathrm{d}x^2} - \phi = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega : \left\{ x; 0 \le x \le 1 \right\}$$

$$\phi(x = 0) = 0 \quad ; \quad \phi(x = 1) = 1 \quad \text{in } \Gamma : \left\{ x = 0, x = 1 \right\}$$

$$\phi(x) \cong \hat{\phi}(x) = \sum_{m} \phi_m N_m(x) \quad \text{using for } N_m \text{ piecewise linear}$$

$$\int_0^1 W_l \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \phi}{\mathrm{d}x^2} - \phi \right) dx + \left[\overline{W}_l R_\Gamma \right]_{x=0} + \left[\overline{W}_l R_\Gamma \right]_{x=1} = 0 \quad \text{for } l = 1, 2, \dots M + 1$$

$$- \int_0^1 \frac{dW_l}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx - \int_0^1 W_l \hat{\phi} dx + \left[W \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=1} - \left[W \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0} + \left[W \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0} +$$

Choosing
$$\overline{W}_l \Big|_{\Gamma} = -W_l \Big|_{\Gamma}$$
 & $W_l \Big|_{\Gamma_{\phi}} = 0$ with $\Gamma = \Gamma_{\phi} \cup \Gamma_q$

$$-\int_{0}^{1} \frac{dW_{l}}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx - \int_{0}^{1} W_{l} \hat{\phi} dx + \left[W_{l} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=1} - \left[W_{l} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0} - \left[W_{l} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0}$$

$$-\underbrace{\left[W_{l}\hat{\phi}\right]_{x=0}}_{=0 \text{ (DIRICHLET)}} -\underbrace{\left[W_{l}\left(\hat{\phi}-1\right)\right]_{x=1}}_{=0 \text{ (DIRICHLET)}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dW_{l}}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx + \int_{0}^{1} W_{l} \hat{\phi} dx = \left[W_{l} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1}$$

the rhs term may be cancelled out because $W_l \mid_{\Gamma_{\phi}} = 0$

However it is possible to keep it including $\left. \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right|_{x=0}^{x=1}$ as unknowns

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{dW_{l}}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx + \int_{0}^{1} W_{l} \hat{\phi} dx = \left[W_{l} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{K} \underline{\phi} = \underline{f}$$

$$K_{lm} = \int_{0}^{1} \frac{dW_{l}}{dx} \frac{dN_{m}}{dx} dx + \int_{0}^{1} W_{l} N_{m} dx$$

$$f_{l} = \left[W_{l} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} ; l, m = 1, 2, ..., M, M + 1$$

$$\phi = \{\phi_{1}, \phi_{2}, \dots, \phi_{M}, \phi_{M+1}\}$$

$$N_{i}^{e} = \frac{h^{e} - \chi}{h^{e}} \quad ; \quad N_{j}^{e} = \frac{\chi}{h^{e}} \quad ; \quad \chi = x - x_{i} \quad ; \quad h^{e} = x_{j} - x_{i}$$

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } l, m \notin \text{element } e \\ K_{ij}^{e} = K_{ji}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h^{e}} \left(\frac{dN_{i}^{e}}{dx} \frac{dN_{j}^{e}}{dx} + N_{i}^{e} N_{j}^{e} \right) d\chi = \\ = -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} \\ K_{ii}^{e} = K_{jj}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h^{e}} \left(\left(\frac{dN_{i}^{e}}{dx} \right)^{2} + \left(N_{i}^{e} \right)^{2} \right) d\chi = \\ = \frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3} \end{cases}$$

Assembling the system (gathering) $\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{K}} \phi = f$

 \underline{K} is gathered as

f is gathered as

$$\begin{bmatrix}
\frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx}\Big|_{x=0} & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}0 & 0 & 0 & 0\end{bmatrix}}_{\text{ELEMENT 2}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix}0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx}\Big|_{x=1}\end{bmatrix}}_{\text{ELEMENT 3}}$$

the system may be solved for 2 unknowns $\{\phi_2, \phi_3\}$ or for 4 unknowns $\{\frac{d\phi_1}{dx}, \phi_2, \phi_3, \frac{d\phi_4}{dx}\}$

with 4 unknowns

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3} & -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} & 2\left(\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3}\right) & -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} & 2\left(\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3}\right) & -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} & \frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{1} = 0 \\ \phi_{2} \\ \phi_{3} \\ \phi_{4} = 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{d\phi_{1}}{dx} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{d\phi_{4}}{dx} \end{bmatrix}$$

with 2 unknowns

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\left(\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3}\right) & -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} & 2\left(\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{3}\right) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{2} \\ \phi_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{h^{e}} + \frac{h^{e}}{6} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{d\phi_1}{dx} \\ \frac{d\phi_4}{dx} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{h^e}{3} & -\frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{h^e}{6} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{h^e}{6} & \frac{1}{h^e} + \frac{h^e}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1 = 0 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \\ \phi_4 = 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

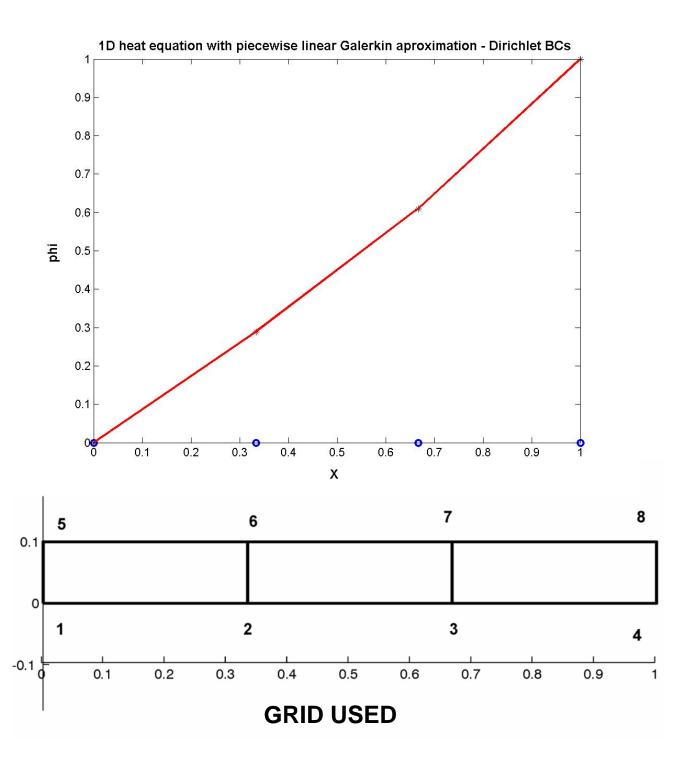
Example 5 by piecewise linear Galerkin (routine Ej_4_1.m)

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Ke = zeros(numel,2,2);
fe = zeros(numel,2);
                                                               Assembling
% loop over each element
for k=1:numel
  psi = (0:10)'/10;
  node1 = icone(k,1);
  node2 = icone(k,2);
  xx = psi*(xnod(node2,1)-xnod(node1,1))+xnod(node1,1);
  [N,L N] = shape function(xx);
  for mi=1:2
    for mj=1:2
       Ke(k,mi,mj) = Ke(k,mi,mj) + trapz(xx,N(:,mi).*N(:,mj));
       Ke(k,mi,mj) = Ke(k,mi,mj) + trapz(xx,L N(:,mi).*L N(:,mj));
    end
  end
end
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```
% gather Ke and fe in Kg and fg
Kg = zeros(Nx+1,Nx+1);
fg = zeros(Nx+1,1);
                                                              Gathering
for k=1:numel
  for mi=1:nen
    for mj=1:nen
       Kg(icone(k,mi),icone(k,mj))=Kg(icone(k,mi),icone(k,mj)) + Ke(k,mi,mj);
    end
    fg(icone(k,mi),1) = fg(icone(k,mi),1) + fe(k,mi);
  end
end
% reducing the global system for fixations
free = (2:Nx)';
fg(free,1) = fg(free,1) - Kg(free,1)*phi_lef - Kg(free,Nx+1)*phi_rig;
Kg = Kg(free,free);
                                                                      Applied BC
fg = fg(free,1);
                                                                      and solving
% solver
phi = Kg\fg;
phi = [phi_lef;phi;phi_rig];
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Example 5:
Heat
equation in
1D with
FEM
Results



Exact solution to Example 5

In order to analyze the error we solve the ODE for the exact solution.

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} - \phi = 0$$
 admits solutions of the form $\phi = A_k e^{\lambda_k x}$

replacing in the ODE we get

$$\left(\lambda_k^2 - 1\right) \left(A_k e^{\lambda_k x}\right) = 0 \Longrightarrow \lambda = \pm 1$$

using $\phi(x=0)=0$

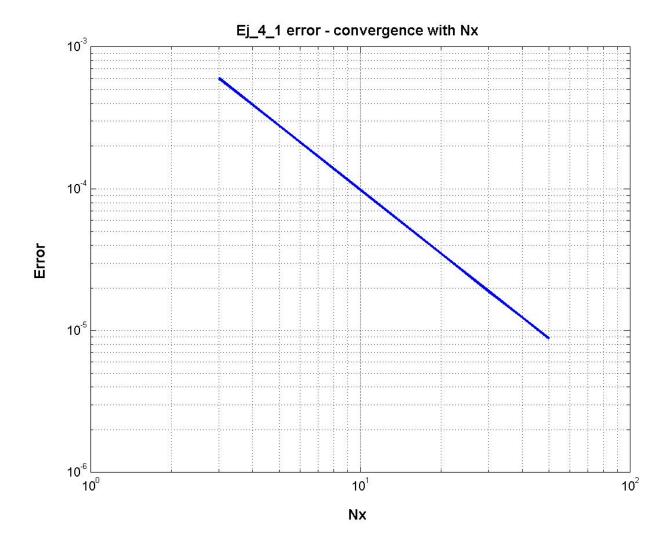
$$\phi(x=0) = A_1 e^{x} + A_2 e^{-x}\Big|_{x=0} = A_1 + A_2 = 0 \Rightarrow A_1 = -A_2$$

using $\phi(x=1)=1$

$$\phi(x=1) = A_1 e^{x} + A_2 e^{-x} \Big|_{x=1} = A_1 e^{x} + A_2 e^{-1} = 1 \Rightarrow A_1 = \frac{1}{e - \frac{1}{e}}$$

$$\therefore \qquad \phi = \frac{1}{e^{-\frac{1}{e}}} \left(e^x - e^{-x} \right) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^{-\frac{1}{e}}}$$

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Heat
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Some 1D problems Example 5 now with Neumann BC at x=1

Find $\hat{\phi}(x)$ solution of the following ODE

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\mathrm{d}^2\phi}{\mathrm{d}x^2} - \phi = 0 &\quad \text{in } \Omega : \left\{ x; 0 \le x \le 1 \right\} \\ &\phi(x=0) = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi}{\mathrm{d}x}(x=1) = 1 \quad \text{in } \Gamma : \left\{ x = 0, x = 1 \right\} \\ &\phi(x) \cong \hat{\phi}(x) = \sum_m \phi_m N_m(x) \quad \text{using for } N_m \text{ piecewise linear} \\ &\int_0^1 W_l \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}^2\phi}{\mathrm{d}x^2} - \phi \right) dx + \left[\overline{W}_l R_\Gamma \right]_{x=0} + \left[\overline{W}_l R_\Gamma \right]_{x=1} = 0 \quad \text{for } l = 1, 2, \dots M + 1 \\ &- \int_0^1 \frac{dW_l}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx - \int_0^1 W_l \hat{\phi} dx + \left[W \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=1} - \left[W \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} \right]_{x=0} + \\ &+ \left[\overline{W}_l \left(\hat{\phi} - 0 \right) \right]_{x=0} + \left[\overline{W}_l \left(\frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} - 1 \right) \right] = 0 \end{split}$$

Choosing
$$\overline{W}_l\Big|_{\Gamma} = -W_l\Big|_{\Gamma}$$
 & $W_l\Big|_{\Gamma_{\phi}} = 0$ with $\Gamma = \Gamma_{\phi} \cup \Gamma_q$

$$-\int_0^1 \frac{dW_l}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx - \int_0^1 W_l \hat{\phi} dx - W_l \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx}\Big|_{x=0} - \underbrace{\left[W_l \hat{\phi}\right]_{x=0}}_{=0 \, (\text{DIRICHLET})} + \left[W_l\right]_{x=1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \frac{dW_l}{dx} \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 W_l \hat{\phi} dx + W_l \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx}\Big|_{x=0} - \left[W_l\right]_{x=1} = 0$$
Again we retain $\frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx}\Big|_{x=0}$ as an unknown
$$K_{lm} = \int_0^1 \frac{dW_l}{dx} \frac{dN_m}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 W_l N_m dx$$

$$f_l = [W_l]_{x=1} - W_l \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx}\Big|_{x=0}$$
; $l, m = 1, 2, ..., M, M + 1$

Exact solution to Example 5 with Neumann BC

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dx^2} - \phi = 0 \quad \text{admits solutions of the form } \phi = A_k e^{\lambda_k x}$$
replacing in the ODE we get
$$\left(\lambda_k^2 - 1\right) \left(A_k e^{\lambda_k x}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 1$$
using $\phi(x = 0) = 0$

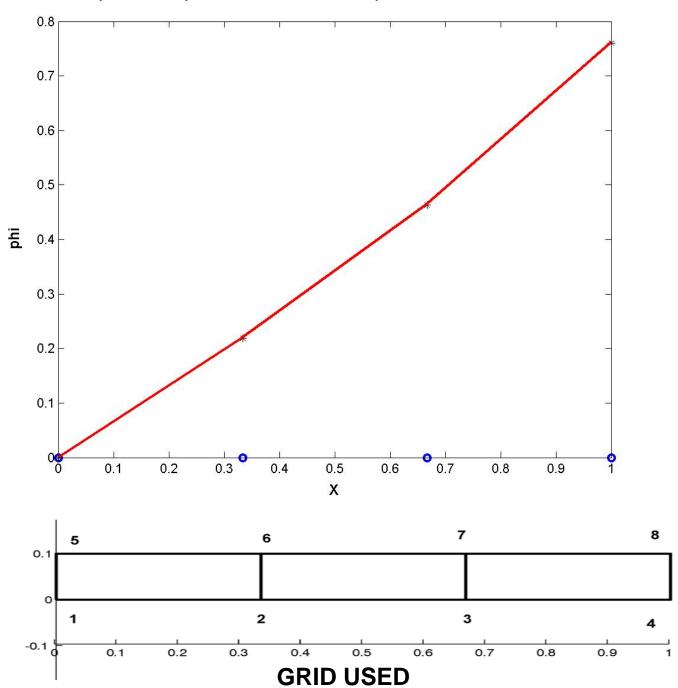
$$\phi(x = 0) = A_1 e^{x} + A_2 e^{-x} \Big|_{x=0} = A_1 + A_2 = 0 \Rightarrow A_1 = -A_2$$
using $\frac{d\phi}{dx}(x = 1) = 1$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dx}(x = 1) = \lambda_k A_k e^{\lambda_k x} \Big|_{x=1} = A_1 e^{-x} - A_2 e^{-1} = 1 \Rightarrow A_1 = \frac{1}{e + \frac{1}{e}}$$

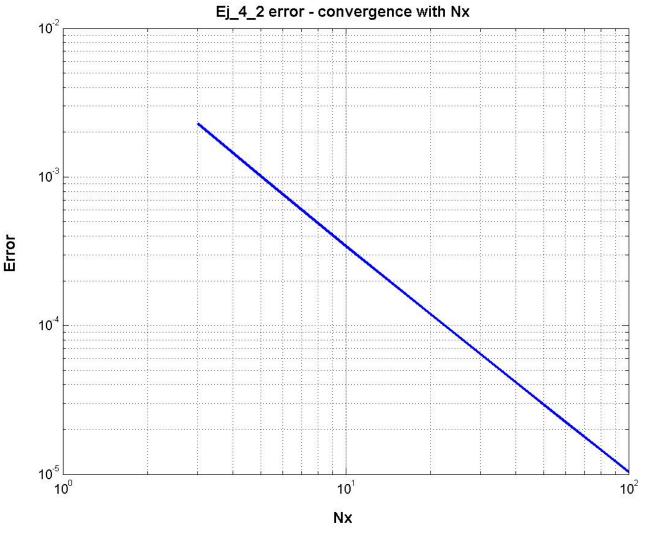
$$\therefore \quad \phi = \frac{1}{e + \frac{1}{e}} \left(e^{x} - e^{-x}\right) = \frac{e^{x} - e^{-x}}{e + \frac{1}{e}}$$

Example 5
Results
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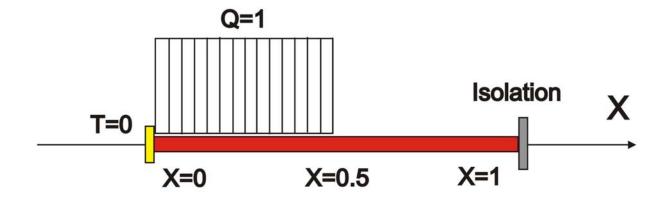
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[phi , phi_th] = [ ... 0 0 2.192827911335199e-001 2.200407092120653e-001 4.633853662097133e-001 4.647576055524206e-001 7.599367659842332e-001 7.615941559557650e-001 ]
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Example 8 : SoDE – 2nd order to 1st order

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\kappa \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) - Q = 0$$

$$\Omega: \{x; 0 \le x \le 1\}$$
 ; $\kappa = 1$; $Q = \begin{cases} 1 & x \le \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & x > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$

$$\phi = 0$$
 @ $x = 0$; $q = -\kappa \frac{d\phi}{dx} = 0$ @ $x = 1$



Example 8: two 1st order ODEs instead of one 2nd order ODE

Find $\hat{\phi}(x)$ solution of the following ODE $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\kappa \frac{d\phi}{dx} \right) - Q = 0$

as a 1st order system of ODEs with the vector of unknowns $\underline{\phi}^T = (q, \phi)$

the system to solve is $\begin{cases} q + \kappa \frac{d\phi}{dx} = 0 \\ \frac{dq}{dx} - Q = 0 \end{cases}$ in Ω

with the following approximation

$$\hat{q} = \sum_{m} q_{m} N_{m,q} ; \qquad \hat{\phi} = \sum_{m} \phi_{m} N_{m,\phi}$$

$$\therefore \int_{0}^{1} N_{l,1} \kappa \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx + \int_{0}^{1} N_{l,1} \hat{q} dx = 0 \qquad l = 1, 2, \dots M_{q}$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} N_{l,2} \frac{d\hat{q}}{dx} dx - \int_{0}^{1} N_{l,2} Q dx = 0 \qquad l = 1, 2, \dots M_{\phi}$$

Example 8 : SoDE – 2nd order to 1st order

$$N_{l,1} = N_{l,2} = N_l$$
 ; $N_{m,q} = N_{m,\phi} = N_m$

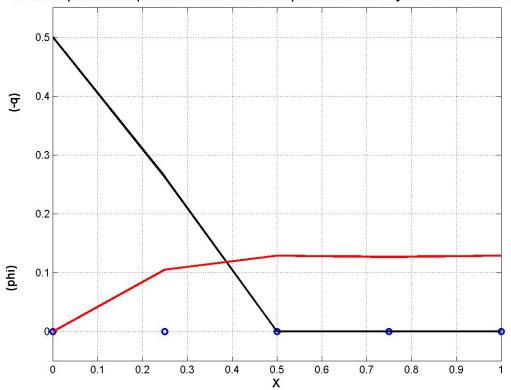
Contribution over each element

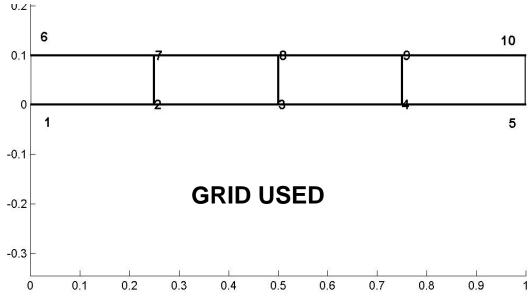
$$K^{e} = \int_{0}^{1} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1,1}N_{1,q} & \kappa N_{1,1} \frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & N_{1,1}N_{2,q} & \kappa N_{1,1} \frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \\ N_{1,2} \frac{dN_{1,q}}{dx} & 0 & N_{1,2} \frac{dN_{2,q}}{dx} & 0 \\ N_{2,1}N_{1,q} & \kappa N_{2,1} \frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & N_{2,1}N_{2,q} & \kappa N_{2,1} \frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \\ N_{2,2} \frac{dN_{1,q}}{dx} & 0 & N_{2,2} \frac{dN_{2,q}}{dx} & 0 \end{bmatrix} dx$$

$$f^{e} = \int_{0}^{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ N_{1,2} Q \\ 0 \\ N_{2,2} Q \end{bmatrix} dx$$

Example 8: Results







Example 8: Results from the book

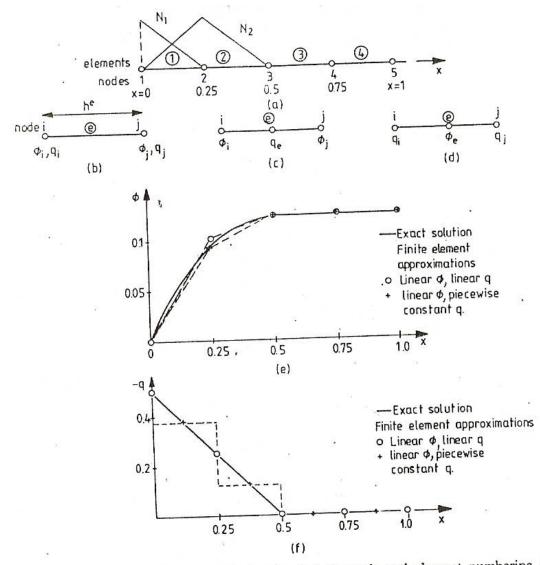


FIGURE 3.7. Solution of Example 3.3 showing (a) the node and element numbering system adopted with (b) piecewise linear ϕ and piecewise linear q. Also shown are the modifications which must be made for (c) piecewise linear ϕ , piecewise constant q, (d) piecewise constant ϕ , piecewise linear q. The graphs show a comparison of the approximations for (e) ϕ and (f) q.

Weak form and mixed formulation

Some figure with weight and trial Functions for different fields

Example 8: weak form and mixed formulation

Using a weak form for the second equation it is possible to change the approximation using piecewise constant for \hat{q} and piecewise linear for $\hat{\phi} \Rightarrow M_{\phi} > M_{a}$

$$\hat{q} = \sum_{m=1}^{M_q} q_m N_{m,q} ; \qquad \hat{\phi} = \sum_{m=1}^{M_\phi} \phi_m N_{m,\phi}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 N_{l,1} \kappa \frac{d\hat{\phi}}{dx} dx + \int_0^1 N_{l,1} \hat{q} dx = 0 \qquad l = 1, 2, \dots M_q$$

$$\int_0^1 N_{l,2} \frac{d\hat{q}}{dx} dx - \int_0^1 N_{l,2} Q dx =$$

$$-\int_0^1 \frac{dN_{l,2}}{dx} \hat{q} + \left[N_{l,2} \hat{q} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} dx - \int_0^1 N_{l,2} Q dx = 0 \qquad l = 1, 2, \dots M_\phi$$

Contribution over each element

Weak form and mixed formulation
$$K^{e} = \int_{0}^{h^{e}} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1,1}N_{1,q} & \kappa N_{1,1}\frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & N_{1,1}N_{2,q} & \kappa N_{1,1}\frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \\ N_{1,2}\frac{dN_{1,q}}{dx} & 0 & N_{1,2}\frac{dN_{2,q}}{dx} & 0 \\ N_{2,1}N_{1,q} & \kappa N_{2,1}\frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & N_{2,1}N_{2,q} & \kappa N_{2,1}\frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \end{bmatrix} dx$$

at element level $M_q = 1$ (first equation) and $M_{\phi} = 2$ (second equation) $\Rightarrow N_{2,1}$ does not exist anymore and $N_{2,q}$ either

$$\underline{\underline{K}^{e}} \underline{\phi^{e}} = \int_{0}^{h^{e}} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1,1} N_{1,q} & \kappa N_{1,1} \frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & \kappa N_{1,1} \frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \\ N_{1,2} \frac{dN_{1,q}}{dx} & 0 & 0 \\ N_{2,2} \frac{dN_{1,q}}{dx} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} dx \begin{bmatrix} q_{0} \\ \phi_{1} \\ \phi_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\underline{K}}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h^{e}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & N_{q} \frac{dN_{1,2}}{dx} & 0 \\ \kappa N_{2,1} \frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & N_{2,1} N_{2,q} & \kappa N_{2,1} \frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \\ 0 & N_{q} \frac{dN_{2,2}}{dx} & 0 \end{bmatrix} dx \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{1} \\ q_{0} \\ \phi_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Weak form and mixed formulation

$$\underline{K}^{e} = \int_{0}^{h^{e}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & N_{q} \frac{dN_{1,2}}{dx} & 0 \\ \kappa N_{2,1} \frac{dN_{1,\phi}}{dx} & N_{2,1} N_{2,q} & \kappa N_{2,1} \frac{dN_{2,\phi}}{dx} \\ 0 & N_{q} \frac{dN_{2,2}}{dx} & 0 \end{bmatrix} dx \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{1} \\ q_{0} \\ \phi_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{f}^{e} = -\int_{0}^{h^{e}} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1,2} Q \\ 0 \\ N_{2,2} Q \end{bmatrix} dx$$

for the first and the last element the rhs should be modified as

$$\underline{f}^{e=1} = -\int_{0}^{h^{e}} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1,2} & Q \\ 0 \\ N_{2,2} & Q \end{bmatrix} dx + \begin{bmatrix} -\hat{q} \big|_{x=0} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{f}^{e=M_q} = -\int_{0}^{h^e} \begin{bmatrix} N_{1,2} Q \\ 0 \\ N_{2,2} Q \end{bmatrix} dx + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \hat{q} \Big|_{x=1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Mixed formulation for heat equation

```
for k=1:numel
    psi = (0:20)'/20;
    node1 = icone(k,1);
    node2 = icone(k,3);
    xx = psi*(xnod(node2,1)-xnod(node1,1))+xnod(node1,1);
    eval(['Qx=' filename '(xx);' ]);
    [N,L_N] = shape_function(xx);

    Ke(k,1,2) = Ke(k,1,2) + trapz(xx,L_N(:,1));
    Ke(k,3,2) = Ke(k,3,2) + trapz(xx,L_N(:,2));
    Ke(k,2,1) = Ke(k,2,1) + kappa*trapz(xx,L_N(:,1));
    Ke(k,2,3) = Ke(k,2,3) + kappa*trapz(xx,L_N(:,2));
    Ke(k,2,2) = Ke(k,2,2) + 1*trapz(xx,ones(size(xx)));

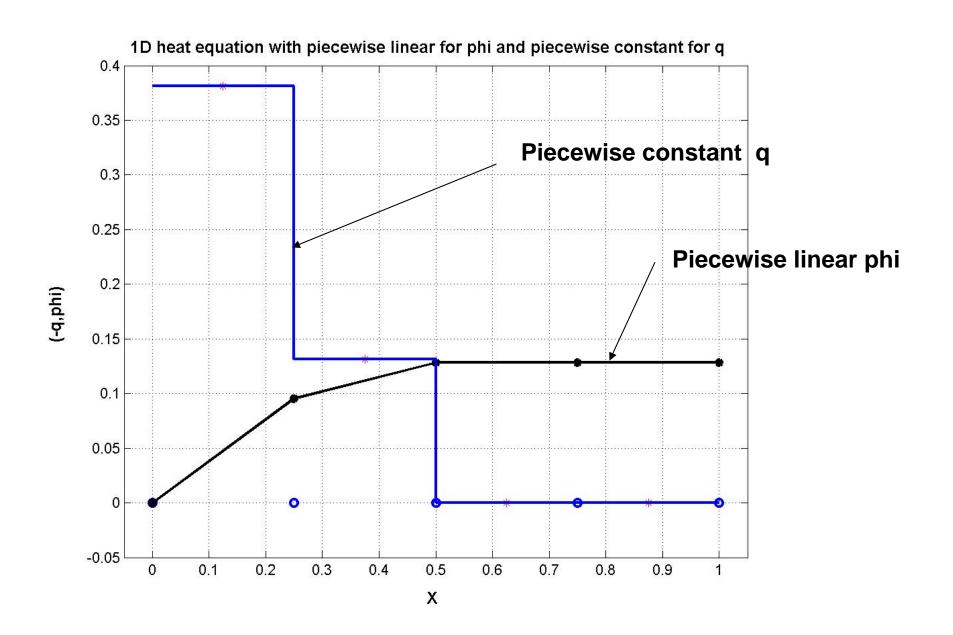
fe(k,1) = fe(k,1) - trapz(xx,Qx.*N(:,1));
    fe(k,3) = fe(k,3) - trapz(xx,Qx.*N(:,2));
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end

Mixed formulation for heat equation

```
for k=1:numel
  node i = icone(k,1);
  node j = icone(k,3);
  node e = icone(k,2);
                                                                 Gathering
  Kg(node_i,node_e)=Kg(node_i,node_e) + Ke(k,1,2);
  Kg(node_j,node_e)=Kg(node_j,node_e) + Ke(k,3,2);
  Kg(node\ e,node\ i)=Kg(node\ e,node\ i)+Ke(k,2,1);
  Kg(node\ e,node\ j)=Kg(node\ e,node\ j)+Ke(k,2,3);
  Kg(node\ e,node\ e)=Kg(node\ e,node\ e)+Ke(k,2,2)
  fg(node_i,1) = fg(node_i,1) + fe(k,1);
  fg(node e,1) = fg(node e,1) + fe(k,2);
  fg(node i,1) = fg(node i,1) + fe(k,3);
end
% reducing the global system for fixations
free = (1:2*Nx+1)'; free(1) = [];
fg(free,1) = fg(free,1) - Kg(free,1) * phi lef;
Kg = Kg(free,free);
fg = fg(free,1);
                                                                 Solving
% solver
phi new = Kq\fq;
phi = [phi lef;phi new];
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Mixed formulation - Results



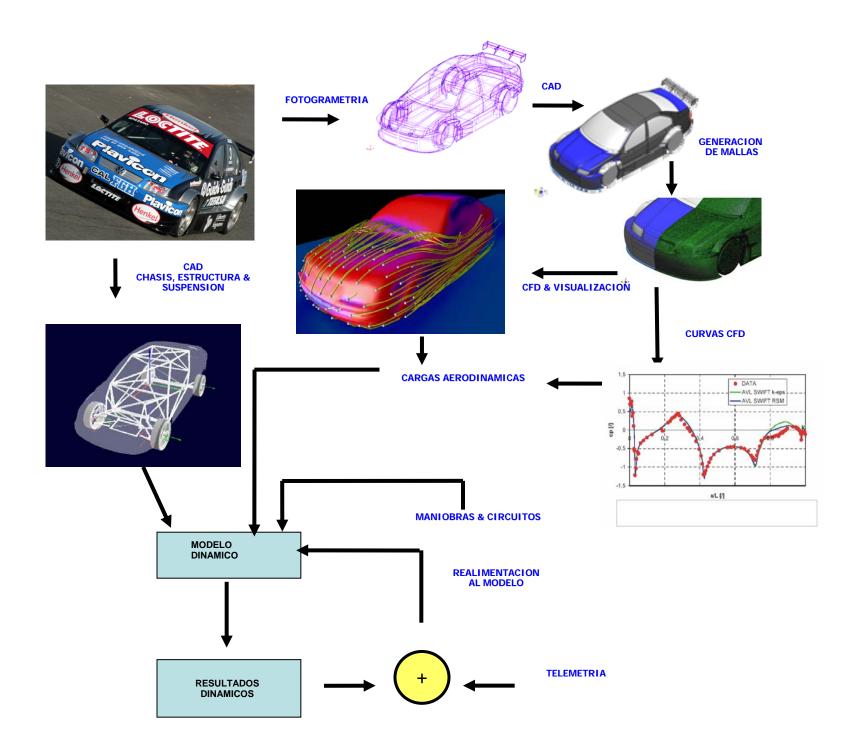
Generalization to 2D and 3D problems

- 1D problems are attractive to check numerical schemes (exact solution availability)
- 1D problems have little practical (industrial) interests
- 2D or 3D problems have analytical solution only for very simple geometries and boundary conditions
- In general only numerical methods may be used
- In 2D and 3D the choice of the shape functions depends on the equation to be solved and the type of element being used.
- Triangular and quadrangular types are commonly used (not necessarily restricted to these).
- In 3D tetrahedra are widely used because of mesh generators availability.
- Hexahedra are less common but they are attractive for their accuracy if the geometry allows for them.
- Prismatic elements close to bodies where boundary layer are expected may be included.
- 2D & 3D the idea is to cover the whole domain with simple nonoverlapping elements

Example of 3D flow analysis

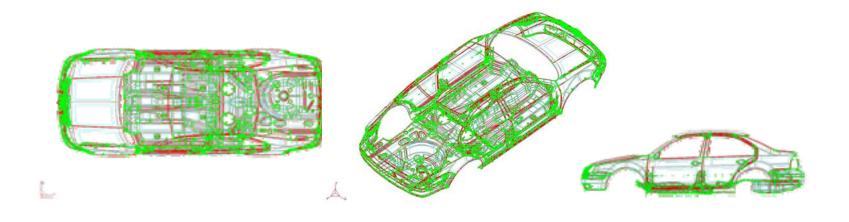
Aerodynamic analysis of a race car
The importance of computational geometry



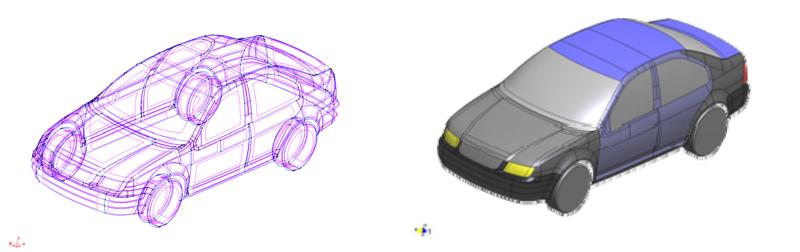


CAD – From production to analysis

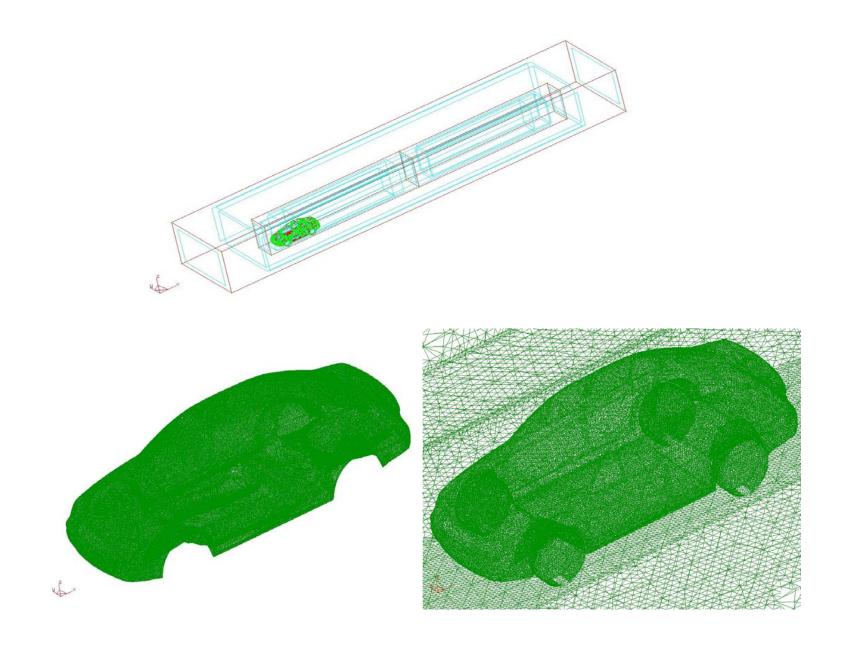
Geometría relevada



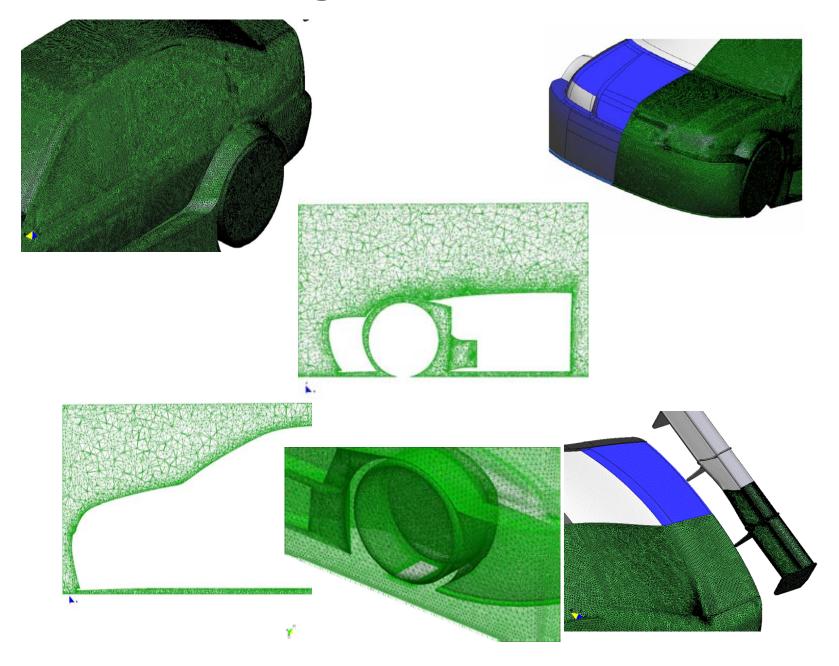
Geometría simplificada (limpia)



Geometrical model & mesh generation

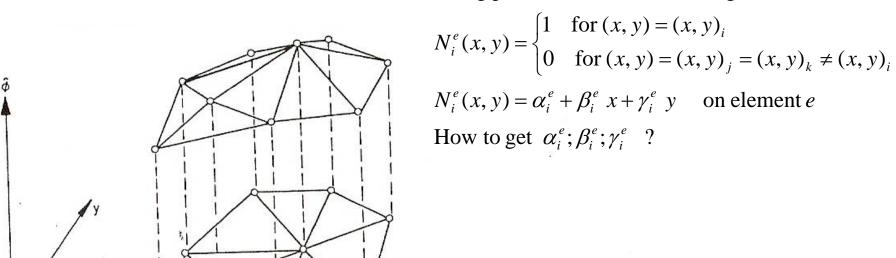


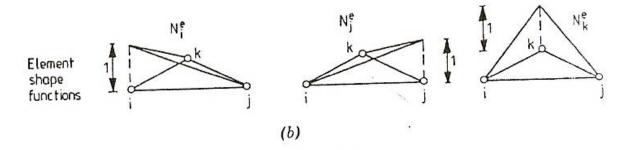
mesh generation details



The linear triangle

Using piecewise linear over triangular elements





Node j

Element è

FIGURE 3.2. (continued).

Node k

Node

The linear triangle

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i & y_i \\ 1 & x_j & y_j \\ 1 & x_k & y_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_i^e \\ \beta_i^e \\ \gamma_i^e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

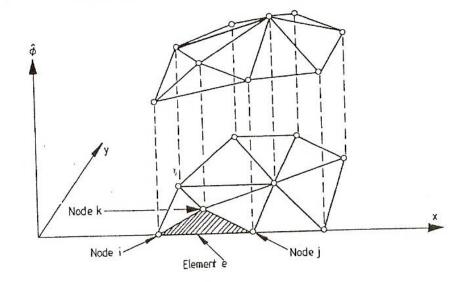
with solution

$$\alpha_i^e = \frac{x_j y_k - x_k y_j}{2\Delta^e}$$

$$\beta_i^e = \frac{y_j - y_k}{2\Delta^e}$$

$$\gamma_i^e = \frac{x_k - x_j}{2\Delta^e}$$

$$2\Delta^{e} = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{i} & y_{i} \\ 1 & x_{j} & y_{j} \\ 1 & x_{k} & y_{k} \end{bmatrix} = 2A^{e} = 2 \text{(area of element } e \text{)}$$



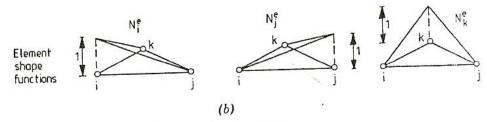


FIGURE 3.2. (continued).

The linear triangle – How the numbering impact on the algebraic structure of the stiffness matrix ?

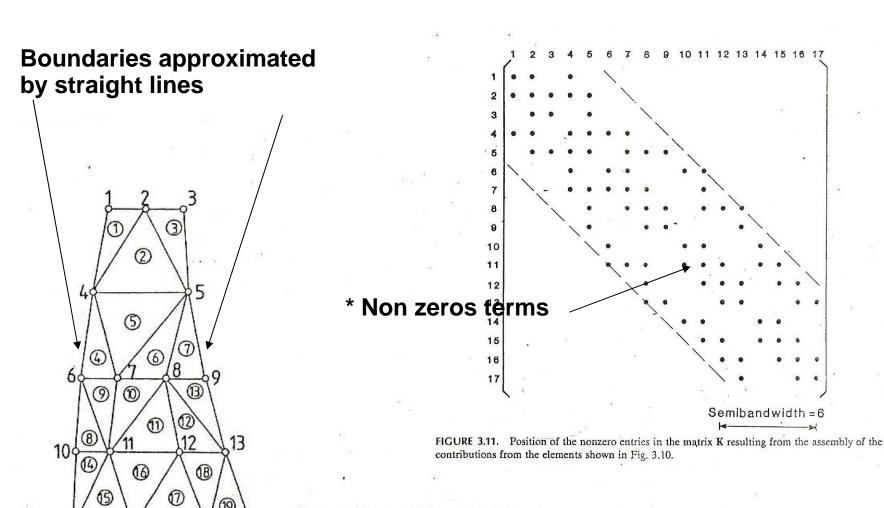


FIGURE 3.10. Triangular finite elements used to represent the profile of a dam.

The linear triangle – How the numbering impact on the algebraic structure of the stiffness matrix?

- The numbering influences the bandwidth
- The bandwidth is closely related with the computational cost and memory requirements.
- Sparse matrices are found due to the narrow-based trial functions
- The computation may be divided in three main steps
 - Element assembling
 - Gathering
 - Solver

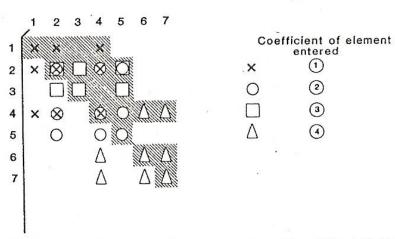
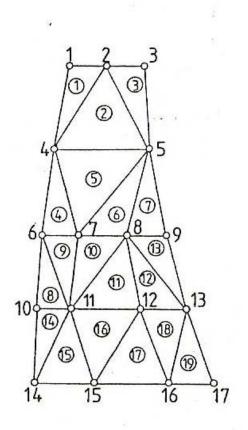


FIGURE 3.12. Process of assembly of elements 1-4 in the problem of Fig. 3.10. The shaded area represents the information that must be stored if the matrix is symmetric.

The linear triangle – How the numbering impact on the algebraic structure of the stiffness matrix?



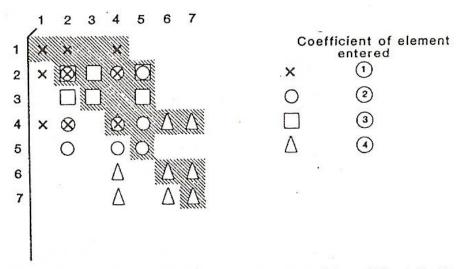


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FIGURE 3.10. Triangular finite elements used to represent the profile of a dam.

The bilinear rectangle

A rectangle is a sort of cartesian product of linear segments The cartesian product of linear trial functions in 1D produces a bilinear 2D or a trilinear 3D shape functions

$$N_i^e(x, y) = \frac{\left(h_x - x\right)\left(h_y - y\right)}{h_x}$$

$$N_i^e(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } (x, y) = (x, y)_i \\ 0 & \text{for } (x, y) = (x, y)_j = (x, y)_k = (x, y)_l \neq (x, y)_i \end{cases}$$

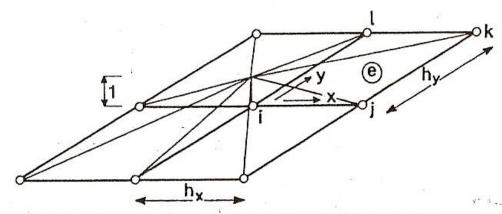


FIGURE 3.13. Bilinear shape function associated with node i of a typical four-noded rectangular element.

The bilinear rectangle

$$N_i^e(x, y) = \alpha_i^e + \beta_i^e x + \gamma_i^e y + \delta_i^e xy \text{ on element } e$$
How to get α_i^e ; β_i^e ; γ_i^e ; δ_i^e ?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_i & y_i & x_i y_i \\ 1 & x_j & y_j & x_j y_j \\ 1 & x_k & y_k & x_k y_k \\ 1 & x_l & y_l & x_l y_l \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_i^e \\ \beta_i^e \\ \gamma_i^e \\ \delta_i^e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Low order (linear) and low regularity (C0) of shape function

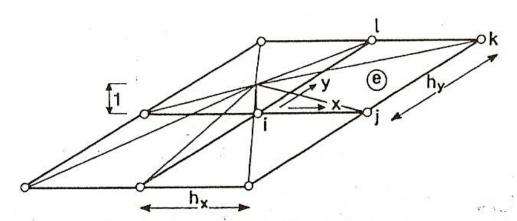


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Approximation of curved boundaries

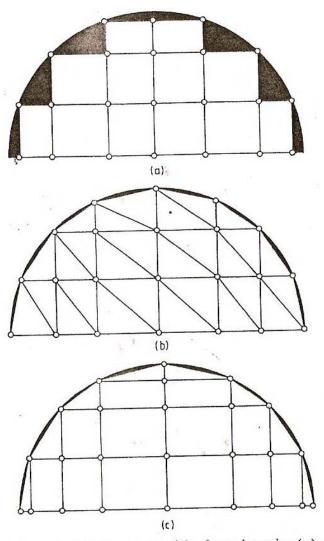


FIGURE 3.14. Finite element subdivision of a semicircular region using (a) rectangular elements only, (b) triangular elements with the same total number of nodes, (c) a combination of triangular and rectangular elements with additional boundary nodes. In each case the dark areas indicate the magnitude of the error made in the representation of the domain.

3D elements - tetrahedron and hexahedron

$$N_i^e(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } (x, y, z) = (x, y, z)_i \\ 0 & \text{for } (x, y, z) = (x, y, z)_j = (x, y, z)_j = (x, y, z)_k = (x, y, z)_l \neq (x, y, z)_i \end{cases}$$

$$N_i^e(x, y, z) = \alpha_i^e + \beta_i^e x + \gamma_i^e y + \delta_i^e z \text{ on element } e$$

