

Galerkin's approximation method.

We construct/design/provide finite-dimensional approximations of \mathcal{S} and \mathcal{V} :

$$\mathcal{S}^h \subset \mathcal{S} \quad \mathcal{V}^h \subset \mathcal{V}.$$

the finite dimensional space is associated with a mesh

Suppose we have a function g^h that satisfies the essential B.C., i.e.,

$$g^h|_{\Gamma_g} = g,$$

We may construct \mathcal{S}^h from \mathcal{V}^h :

$$\mathcal{S}^h = \{ u^h : u^h = v^h + g^h, v^h \in \mathcal{V}^h \}$$

\mathcal{S}^h & \mathcal{V}^h are essentially the same set of functions up to the g^h function.

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Bubnov-Galerkin Method.

Otherwise, it is called the Petrov-Galerkin Method.

Now, we have an approximated problem:

Given $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $h: \Gamma_h \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g: \Gamma_g \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

(G) find $u^h \in \mathcal{S}^h$ s.t. for $\forall w^h \in \mathcal{V}^h$

$$a(w^h, u^h) = (w^h, f) + (w^h, h)_{\Gamma_h}$$

Apparently, (G) and (W) are not equivalent, and we denote their relation by

$$(W) \simeq (G).$$

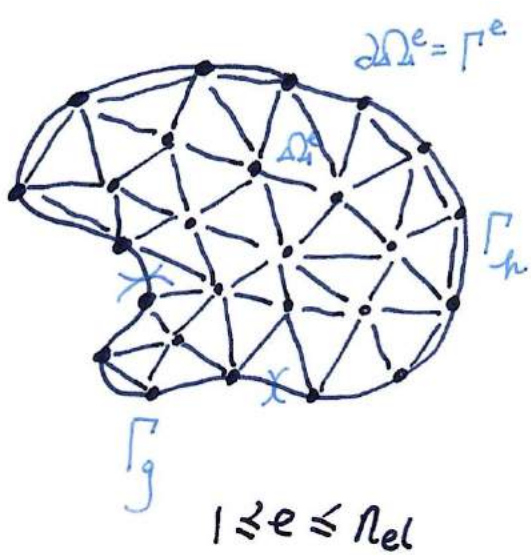
Notice that (G) is a finite-dimensional linear problem, and we can present it using linear algebra.

Let ~~functions~~ $N_A(\vec{x})$, $A=1, 2, \dots, n_{eq}$ be functions in \mathcal{V}^h , and any fun $v^h \in \mathcal{V}^h$ can be represented as $v^h = \sum_{A=1}^{n_{eq}} c_A N_A$.

dim. of \mathcal{V}^h

Shape, basis, interpolation functions.

Property of finite-dimensional space.



$\eta = \{1, 2, \dots, N_{nod}\}$ set of global node numbers
 \downarrow # of nodal pts.
 Ω_g : subset of nodes on Γ_g .

$\eta - \Omega_g$: complement of Ω_g in η .
 $\dim(\eta - \Omega_g) = N_{eq}$.

N_A is the shape fun associated with node A .

$$U^h \ni w^h = \sum_{A \in \eta - \Omega_g} c_A N_A.$$

of eqn.

$$U^h \ni v^h = \sum_{B \in \Omega_g} d_B N_B.$$

Now, $U^h = \left\{ w^h : w^h = \sum_{A \in \eta - \Omega_g} c_A N_A \right\}$

$$\mathcal{S}^h = \left\{ u^h : u^h = v^h + g^h, v^h = \sum_{B \in \Omega_g} d_B N_B \right\}$$

bilinearity.

$$a(w^h, u^h) = a(w^h, v^h) + a(w^h, g^h)$$

$$(G) : a(w^h, v^h) = (w^h, f) + (w^h, h)_{\Gamma_h} - a(w^h, g^h)$$

the given data are collected in RHS.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{B \in \mathcal{N}-\mathcal{N}_g} a(N_A, N_B) d_B = (N_A, f) + (N_A, \psi)_{\Gamma_n} - a(N_A, g^k).$$

for $A \in \mathcal{N}-\mathcal{N}_g$.

Destination

ID Array: $ID(A) = \begin{cases} P & \text{if } A \in \mathcal{N}-\mathcal{N}_g \\ 0 & \text{if } A \in \mathcal{N}_g \end{cases}$

Integer

$1 \leq A \leq n_{ng}$ $1 \leq P \leq n_{ng}$

$$K_{PQ} = a(N_A, N_B)$$

$$P = ID(A) \quad Q = ID(B)$$

$$d_Q = d_B$$

$$F_P = (N_A, f) + (N_A, \psi)_{\Gamma_n} - a(N_A, g^k).$$

$$K = [K_{PQ}] \quad d = [d_Q] \quad F = [F_P]$$

$$(M) \quad \underline{Kd = F}$$

the matrix problem.

Due to its historical origin in the analysis of structures, we call

K : stiffness matrix

d : disp. vector

F : force vector.

and our finally obtained temperature field is

$$u^h = \sum_{B \in \mathcal{N}_g} d_B N_B + g^h \leftarrow \text{Dirichlet data.}$$

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solution of $Kd = F$

Remark 1: The choice of g^h is not unique. In practice, we often choose

$$g^h = \sum_{B \in \mathcal{N}_g} N_B(x) g_B,$$

nodal interpolation of g data.

Remark 2: There are two ^{primary} approximations:

- the ~~solution~~ function space $\mathcal{V}^h \subset \mathcal{V}$ $\mathcal{S}^h \subset \mathcal{S}$
- the mesh $\cup \Delta_4^e$ is an approximation of Ω .

Also, g^h is, in general, an approximation of the g data.

Thus, $(S) \approx (G)$.

Remark 3. If the integrals are ~~performed~~ exactly calculated,

$$K_{PQ} = a(N_A, N_B), \text{ meaning}$$

$$(G) \Leftrightarrow (M).$$

See Hughes book p. 191. smoothness quadrature

So we have

$$(S) \Leftrightarrow (W) \approx (G) \Leftrightarrow (M)$$

linear solver.

We are concerned with the quality of this approximation: error estimate.

Main properties of K matrix:

Theorem 1: K is symmetric & positive definite.

proof. i) $K_{PQ} = a(N_A, N_B) = a(N_B, N_A) = K_{QP}$.

$a(\cdot, \cdot)$ is symmetric.

ii) $C^T K C = \sum_{P, Q=1}^{n_{eq}} C_P K_{PQ} C_Q = \sum_{A, B \in \Omega_g} \bar{C}_A a(N_A, N_B) \bar{C}_B$.

$$= a\left(\sum_{A \in \Omega_g} \bar{C}_A N_A, \sum_{B \in \Omega_g} \bar{C}_B N_B\right)$$

$$= a(w^h, w^h) \geq 0$$

$$C = \{C_P\}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$w^h = \sum_{A \in \Omega_g} \bar{C}_A N_A$$

$$C_P = \bar{C}_A$$

$$C^T K C = 0 \Leftrightarrow a(w^h, w^h) = 0 \Leftrightarrow w_{,i}^h x_{ij} w_{,j}^h = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow w_{,i}^h = 0$ then w^h is a constant. Since $w^h = 0$ on Γ_g , $w^h = 0$ and consequently $C = 0$. \blacksquare

Remark 1: Symmetry is beneficial for the data structure in implementation;

Positive definiteness ensures K is invertible.

Both are fundamentally from the properties of (w) .

Remark 2: If N_A 's are compact supported, K is sparse.

The global point of view: a 1D example.

$$\Omega = (0, 1) \quad \Gamma_g = \{1\} \quad \Gamma_h = \{0\} \quad \kappa = 1.$$

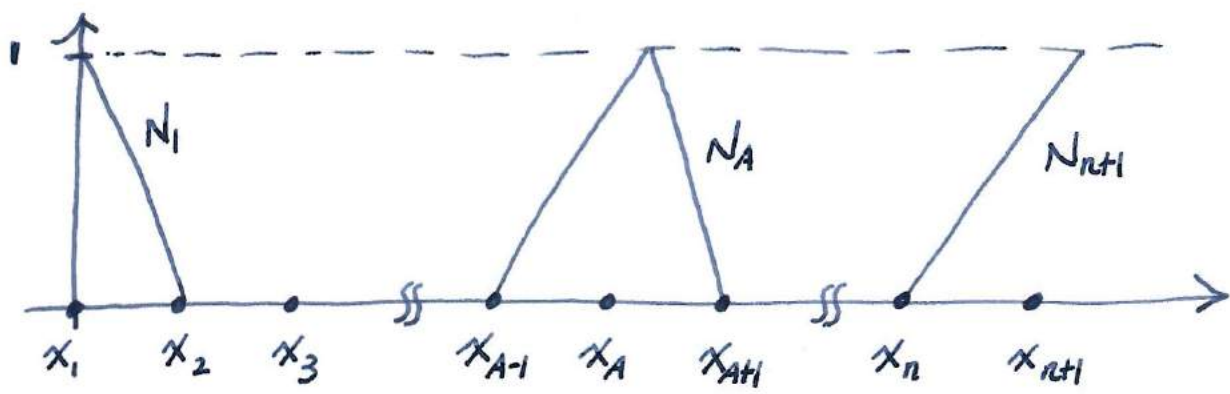
$$\Rightarrow a(w, u) = \int_0^1 w_{,x} u_{,x} dx$$

$$(w, f) = \int_0^1 w f dx$$

$$(w, h)_{\Gamma_h} = w(0) h.$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \{ u : u \in H^1, u(1) = g \}$$

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



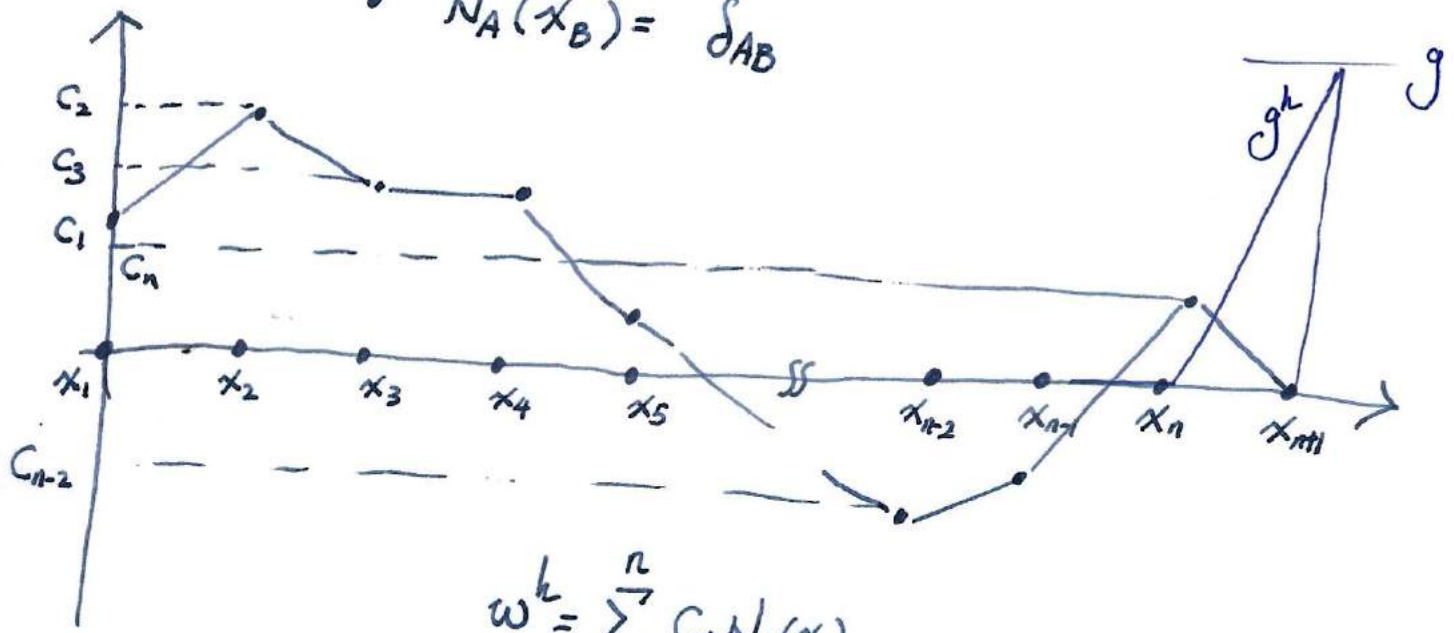
$$N_A = \begin{cases} \frac{x - x_{A-1}}{h_{A-1}} & x_{A-1} \leq x \leq x_A \\ \frac{x_{A+1} - x}{h_A} & x_A \leq x \leq x_{A+1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$h_A = x_{A+1} - x_A$$

mesh parameter $h = \max h_A$.

global viewpoint
- functions are defined globally.

- hat / roof / chapeau functions
- $N_A(x_B) = \delta_{AB}$



$$w^h = \sum_{A=1}^n C_A N_A(x)$$

$$\mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}_g = \{n+1\}$$

$$N_{A,x} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{h_{A-1}} & x_{A-1} \leq x \leq x_A \\ -\frac{1}{h_A} & x_A \leq x \leq x_{A+1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$K_{PQ} = \alpha(N_A, N_B) = \int_0^1 N_{A,x} N_{B,x} dx$$

$$B = A-1 : \int_0^1 N_{A,x} N_{A-1,x} dx = \int_{x_{A-1}}^{x_A} \frac{1}{h_{A-1}} \frac{-1}{h_{A-1}} dx = -\frac{1}{h_{A-1}}$$

$$B = A : \int_0^1 N_{A,x} N_{A,x} dx = \int_{x_{A-1}}^{x_A} \frac{1}{h_{A-1}^2} dx + \int_{x_A}^{x_{A+1}} \frac{1}{h_A^2} dx = \frac{1}{h_{A-1}} + \frac{1}{h_A}$$

$$B = A+1 : \int_0^1 N_{A,x} N_{A+1,x} dx = \int_{x_A}^{x_{A+1}} \frac{-1}{h_A} \frac{1}{h_A} dx = -\frac{1}{h_A}$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{h_1} & \frac{-1}{h_1} & & & & & \\ -\frac{1}{h_1} & \frac{1}{h_1} + \frac{1}{h_2} & \frac{-1}{h_2} & & & & \\ & \dots & \dots & \dots & & & \\ & & \frac{-1}{h_{A-1}} & \frac{1}{h_{A-1}} + \frac{1}{h_A} & \frac{-1}{h_A} & \dots & \\ & & & \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ & & & & \frac{-1}{h_{A-1}} & \frac{1}{h_{A-1}} & \\ \text{Zeros} & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

not only sparse
but also banded
with 3 non-zero
entries per row.