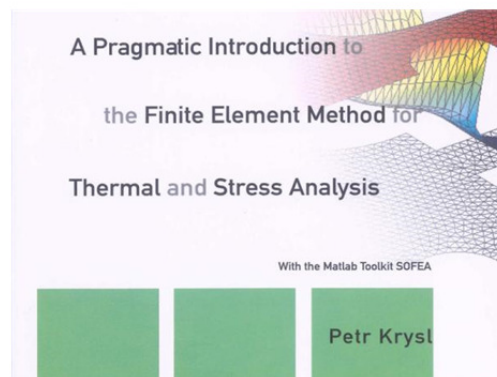


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Solved exercises for the book  
"A Pragmatic Introduction to the Finite  
Element Method for Thermal and Stress  
Analysis"  
by Petr Krysl



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The solved exercises are labeled by the page number that refers to the textbook.

Please send suggestions and comments to  
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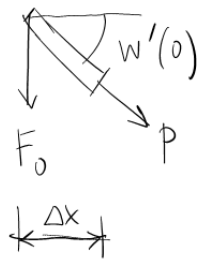
## Exercise 4

Derive the force boundary condition at  $x=0$ .

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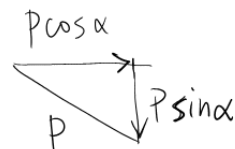
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derivation of force boundary condition at  $x=0$



Vertical equilibrium

$$\downarrow F_0 + \downarrow P w'(0) = 0$$



$$\tan \alpha = w'(0)$$

$$\alpha = \arctan w'(0)$$

The angle  $\alpha$  is very small, since the deflections are also very small

$$\alpha \ll 1 \Rightarrow \cos \alpha = 1$$

$$\sin \alpha = \tan \alpha$$

$$\underline{P \frac{\partial w(0,t)}{\partial x} + F_0 = 0 \quad \checkmark}$$

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## Exercise 4-a

List possible combinations of force and displacement boundary conditions for prestressed cable.

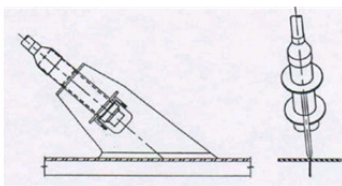
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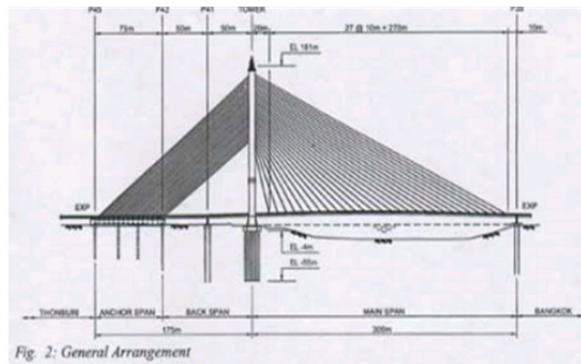
## Possible combinations of boundary conditions for the prestressed cable

At each end it is possible to prescribe either force or displacement. We have to inspect the particular situation in order to decide which boundary condition applies.

For instance, consider the vibration of the stay cables of this bridge.



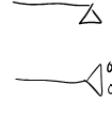
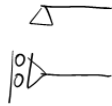
Perhaps prescribed displacements would be appropriate.



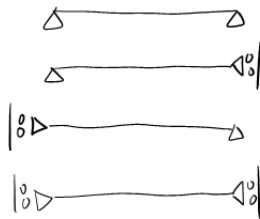
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At each end it is possible to prescribe either force or displacement. We have to inspect the particular situation in order to decide which boundary condition applies.



The possible combinations are:





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## Exercise 4-b

Search the Web of Science for a research article on the equation of motion for prestressed cables that account for the so-called sag. What is the main difference between the model introduced in class and the model you found?

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## Equation of motion that accounts of sag

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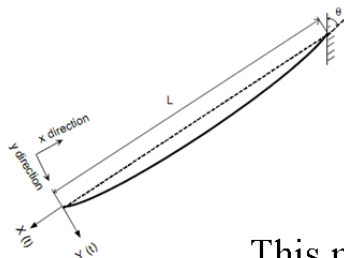
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### Response characteristics of local vibrations in stay cables on an existing cable-stayed bridge

Q. Wu, K. Takahashi\*, T. Okabayashi, S. Nakamura



$$m \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2} - P \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} - \Delta P \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_0}{\partial x^2} \right) = 0,$$

$$\Delta P = \frac{EA}{L} \left\{ u|_{x=L} - u|_{x=0} + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)^2 dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial x} dx \right\},$$

This model is **nonlinear**

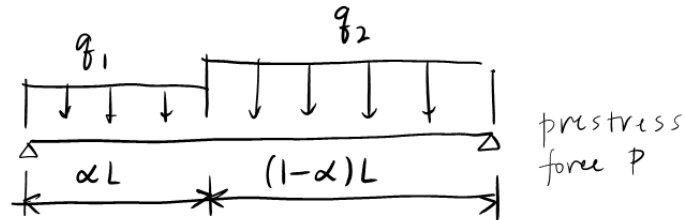
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## Exercise 5-a

### Prestressed cable with piecewise uniform load

Solve analytically for the static deflection of the shown prestressed cable.



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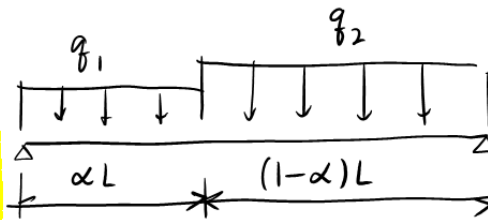
Solving analytically for the static deflection of the shown prestressed cable amounts to solving the following boundary value problem:

$$P w'' + q_1 = 0 \quad 0 \leq x \leq \alpha L$$

$$P w'' + q_2 = 0 \quad \alpha L \leq x \leq L$$

$$w(0) = 0$$

$$w(L) = 0$$



The second derivative is in general discontinuous where the load changes value. The first derivative however must be continuous at that point, otherwise the second derivative would be infinite (the so-called Dirac Delta Spike), and the equation of motion (equilibrium equation) could not be satisfied at that point.

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The solution may be derived by writing a general quadratic polynomial within each interval, and then enforcing continuity and the zero deflection at the endpoints. This will provide us with four conditions from which four constants of integration may be determined.

$$0 \leq x \leq \alpha L$$

$$w(x) = A_1 + B_1 x + q_1 C_1 x^2$$

The quadratic term in the polynomial must be determined so that it satisfies the equilibrium equation.

$$P w'' + q = 0$$

$$w'(x) = B_1 + 2 q_1 C_1 x$$

$$w''(x) = 2 q_1 C_1$$

$$P 2 q_1 C_1 + q_1 = 0 \Rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{1}{2P}$$

$$w(x) = A_1 + B_1 x - q_1 \frac{x^2}{2P}$$

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Similarly

$$\alpha L \leq x \leq L$$

$$w(x) = A_2 + B_2 x - q_2 \frac{x^2}{2P}$$

Now we introduce the boundary conditions and the continuity conditions.

First the boundary conditions:

$$w(0) = 0 \quad w(L) = 0 \quad (BC)$$

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Now the continuity conditions: first the deflection

$$w(\alpha L) = A_1 + B_1 \alpha L - q_1 \frac{(\alpha L)^2}{2P}$$

this is the  
deflection from the  
left of  $\alpha L$

$$w(\alpha L) = A_2 + B_2 \alpha L - q_2 \frac{(\alpha L)^2}{2P}$$

this is the  
deflection from the  
right of  $\alpha L$

Next the slope:

$$w'(\alpha L) = B_1 - q_1 \frac{\alpha L}{P}$$

this is the slope  
from the left of  
 $\alpha L$

$$w'(\alpha L) = B_2 - q_2 \frac{\alpha L}{P}$$

this is the slope  
from the right of  
 $\alpha L$

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Panel 6

Symbolic solution for the integration constants

**% Solve for the deflection of a prestressed cable  
with piecewise uniform  
distributed load**

**syms A1 B1 A2 B2 alpha L P q1 q2 x real**

**w1 = @(x) (A1+B1\*x-q1\*x^2/(2\*P));**

**dw1 = @(x) (B1-q1\*x/P);**

**w2 = @(x) (A2+B2\*x-q2\*x^2/(2\*P));**

**dw2 = @(x) (B2-q2\*x/P);**

} Symbolic functions

Now solve the system of BC's + continuity eqns

**Solution = solve([char(w1(0)) ' = 0'], ...**

**[char(w2(L)) ' = 0'], ...**

**[char(w1(alpha\*L)) ' = ' char(w2(alpha\*L))], ...**

**[char(dw1(alpha\*L)) ' = ' char(dw2(alpha\*L))], ...**

**'A1', 'B1', 'A2', 'B2');**

**A1 = Solution.A1;**

**B1 = Solution.B1;**

**A2 = Solution.A2;**

**B2 = Solution.B2;**

$$A_1 = 0 \quad B_1 = \frac{L}{2P} (q_2 + 2\alpha q_1 - 2\alpha q_2 - \alpha^2 q_1 + \alpha^2 q_2)$$

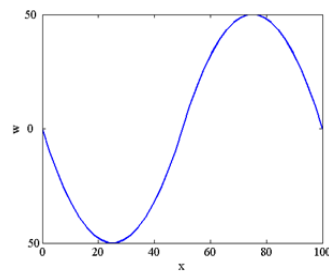
$$A_2 = \frac{L^2}{2P} \alpha^2 (q_1 - q_2) \quad B_2 = \frac{L}{2P} (q_2 - \alpha^2 q_1 + \alpha^2 q_2)$$

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Panel 7

Plot the deflection curve for some particular problem data

```
% Take some particular numbers
alpha = 0.5; q1 = 4; q2 = -4; L = 100; P = 25;
x= linspace(0,alpha*L, 20);
plot (x,-eval((A1+B1*x-q1*x.^2/(2*P))));
hold on
x= linspace(alpha*L,L, 20);
plot (x,-eval((A2+B2*x-q2*x.^2/(2*P))));
Labels =get (gca,'yticklabel');
for i= 1:length(Labels)
    Labels (i,:) =strrep (Labels (i,:), '-',' ');
end
set (gca,'yticklabel', Labels);
xlabel ('x')
ylabel ('w')
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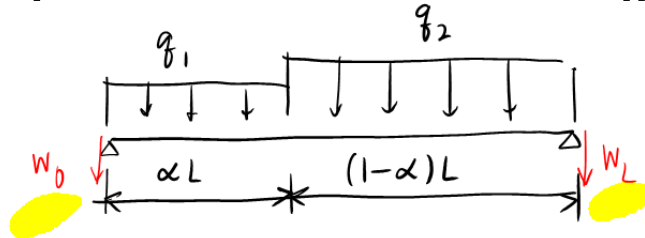


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## Exercise 5-b

Solve analytically for the static deflection of the shown prestressed cable. In addition to the piecewise uniform distributed load consider support settlement.



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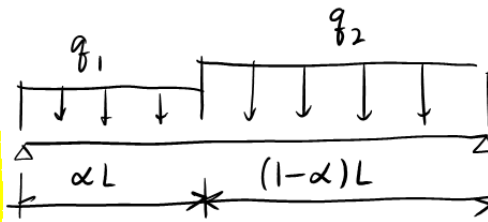
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$$P w'' + q_2 = 0 \quad \alpha L \leq x \leq L$$

$$w(0) = w_0$$

$$w(L) = w_L$$



The loading is in general discontinuous where the load changes value. The first derivative however must be continuous of that point, otherwise the second derivative would not be defined, and the equation of motion (equilibrium equation) could not be satisfied at that point.

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Symbolic solution for the integration constants

```
syms A1 B1 A2 B2 alpha L P q1 q2 x w0 wL real
w1 = @(x)(A1+B1*x-q1*x^2/(2*P));
dw1 = @(x)(B1-q1*x/P);
w2 = @(x)(A2+B2*x-q2*x^2/(2*P));
dw2 = @(x)(B2-q2*x/P);
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```
Solution=solve([char(w1(0))=='char(w0)],...
[char(w2(L))=='char(wL)],...
[char(w1(alpha*L))=='char(w2(alpha*L))],...
[char(dw1(alpha*L))=='char(dw2(alpha*L))],...
'A1','B1','A2','B2');
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A1 =Solution.A1;
B1 =Solution.B1;
A2 =Solution.A2;
B2 =Solution.B2;
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$$A_1 = w_0 \quad B_1 = \frac{L}{2P} (q_2 + 2\alpha q_1 - 2\alpha q_2 - \alpha^2 q_1 + \alpha^2 q_2) - \frac{w_0 - w_L}{L}$$

$$A_2 = \frac{L^2}{2P} \alpha^2 (q_1 - q_2) + w_0$$

$$B_2 = \frac{L}{2P} (q_2 - \alpha^2 q_1 + \alpha^2 q_2) - \frac{w_0 - w_L}{L}$$

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>> pretty(Solution.A1)
pretty(simplify(Solution.B1))
pretty(simplify(Solution.A2))
pretty(simplify(Solution.B2))
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← Print out the symbolic solution

w0

$$\frac{L (q_2 + 2 \alpha q_1 - 2 \alpha q_2 - \alpha^2 q_1 + \alpha^2 q_2)}{2 P} - \frac{w_0 - w_L}{L}$$

$$w_0 + \frac{L \alpha^2 (q_1 - q_2)}{2 P}$$

$$\frac{L (q_2 - \alpha^2 q_1 + \alpha^2 q_2)}{2 P} - \frac{w_0 - w_L}{L}$$

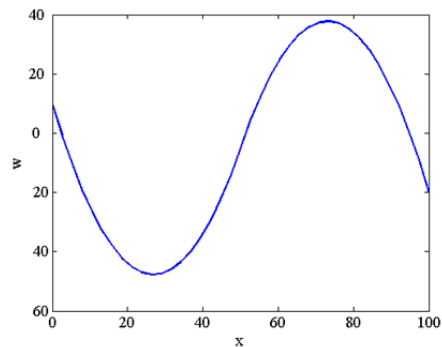
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% Take some particular numbers
alpha = 0.5; q1 = 4; q2 = -4; L = 100; P = 25;
w0 = -10; wL = 20;
x = linspace(0, alpha*L, 20);
plot (x, -eval((A1+B1*x-q1*x.^2/(2*P))));
hold on
x = linspace(alpha*L, L, 20);
plot (x, -eval((A2+B2*x-q2*x.^2/(2*P))));
Labels = get (gca, 'yticklabel');
for i = 1:length(Labels)
    Labels (i,:) = strrep (Labels (i,:), '-', ' ');
end
set (gca, 'yticklabel', Labels);
xlabel ('x')
ylabel ('w')

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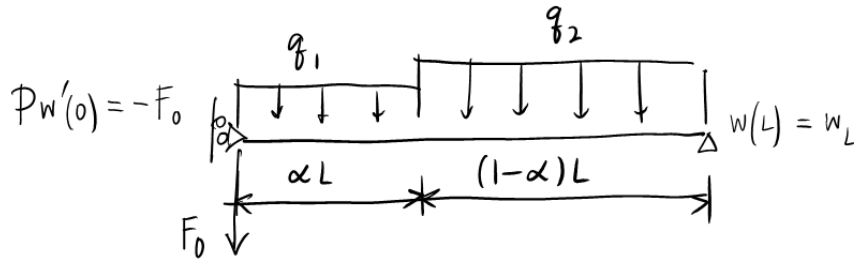
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## Exercise 5-c

Solve analytically for the static deflection of the shown prestressed cable.

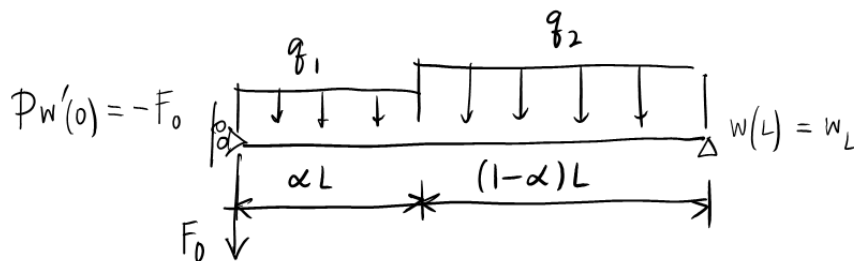


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## Prestressed cable with piecewise uniform load and mixed boundary conditions

Solve analytically for the static deflection of the shown prestressed cable.



The deflections at the ends are in general nonzero. This will affect only the application of the boundary conditions.

$$w'(0) = -\frac{F_0}{p} \quad w(L) = w_L \quad F_0, w_L \text{ given}$$

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% Solve for the deflection of a prestressed cable with
% piecewise uniform
% distributed load
syms A1 B1 A2 B2 alpha L P q1 q2 x F0 wL real
w1 = @(x)(A1+B1*x-q1*x^2/(2*P));
dw1 = @(x)(B1-q1*x/P);
w2 = @(x)(A2+B2*x-q2*x^2/(2*P));
dw2 = @(x)(B2-q2*x/P);

Solution = solve([char(dw1(0)) '=' char(-F0/P)],...
[char(w2(L)) '=' char(wL)],...
[char(w1(alpha*L)) '=' char(w2(alpha*L))],...
[char(dw1(alpha*L)) '=' char(dw2(alpha*L))],...
'A1', 'B1', 'A2', 'B2']);

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*note the BC*

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*Print out the symbolic solution*

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$$A_1 = \frac{(2 P wL + L^2 q_2 + 2 F_0 L - L^2 \alpha^2 q_1 + L^2 \alpha^2 q_2 + 2 L^2 \alpha q_1 - 2 L^2 \alpha q_2)}{(2 P)}$$

$$B_1 = -\frac{F_0}{P}$$

$$A_2 = wL + \frac{L (2 F_0 + L q_2 + 2 L \alpha q_1 - 2 L \alpha q_2)}{2 P}$$

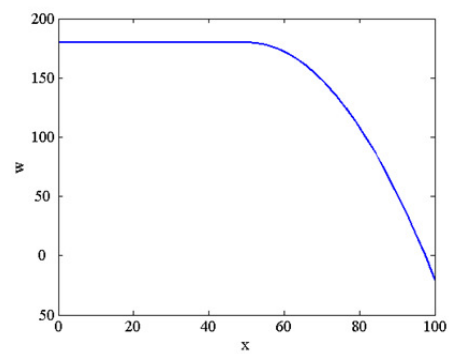
$$B_2 = -\frac{F_0 + L \alpha q_1 - L \alpha q_2}{P}$$

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% Take some particular numbers  
alpha = 0.5; q1 = 0; q2 = -4; L = 100; P = 25;  
F0 = 0; wL = 20;
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## Exercise 14-a

Solve for the approximate deflection of a simply supported prestressed cable with uniform load using the Galerkin method. Take as the trial function basis a single function  $N_1(x) = \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$

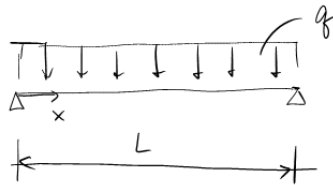
and set the test function  $\eta_1 = N_1$ .

Compare the midpoint deflection computed analytically and approximately.

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Solve approximately for the deflection using ad hoc trial/test functions



Balance eqn  $Pw'' + q = 0$  (statics)  
BC:  $w(0) = w(L) = 0$

$$N_1(x) = \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$$

We limit ourselves to a single basis function.

Therefore also a single test function. The test function will be chosen the same as the basis function (that is what the Galerkin method does).

$$\eta_1(x) = N_1(x)$$

The trial function is  $w(x) = a_1 N_1(x)$

The coefficient  $a_1$  is the only unknown (which is why we need a single test function -- to derive a single equation from which to solve for unknown).

The trial function must satisfy all essential boundary conditions

The selected trial function does since the basis function does:  $N_1(0) = N_1(L) = 0 \Rightarrow w(0) = w(L) = 0$

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Equation (2.15) simplifies to

$$-\int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta_j}{\partial x} P \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} w_i(\bar{t}) dx + \int_0^L \eta_j q dx = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, N \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{In fact} \\ N = 1 \end{array}$$

So that we have a single equation

$$-\int_0^L \eta_1' P a_1 N_1' dx + \int_0^L \eta_1 q dx = 0$$

$$-P a_1 \int_0^L \eta_1' N_1' dx + q \int_0^L \eta_1 dx = 0$$

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$$N_1' = \left( \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} \right)' = \frac{\pi}{L} \cos \frac{\pi x}{L}$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_1' N_1' dx = \left( \frac{\pi}{L} \right)^2 \int_0^L \cos^2 \frac{\pi x}{L} dx \quad \begin{array}{l} \gg \text{int}((\cos(\pi x/L))^2, 0, L) \\ \text{ans} = \\ L/2 \end{array}$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_1 dx = \int_0^L \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} dx = \quad \begin{array}{l} \gg \text{int}(\sin(\pi x/L), 0, L) \\ \text{ans} = \\ (2*L)/\pi \end{array}$$

$$-P a_1 \int_0^L \eta_1' N_1' dx + q \int_0^L \eta_1 dx = 0$$

$$-P a_1 \left( \frac{\pi}{L} \right)^2 (L/2) + q \left( \frac{2L}{\pi} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{q}{P} \left( \frac{L}{\pi} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{q L^2}{P}$$

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Compare with analytical solution,  $w_{ex} = \frac{q}{2P} \times (L - x)$

midpoint deflection

$$w_{ex}\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{q}{2P} \frac{L}{2} \left(L - \frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{q}{2P} \frac{L^2}{4} = \frac{qL^2}{8P} = 0.125 \frac{qL^2}{P}$$

$$w\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \approx 0.129 \frac{qL^2}{P}$$

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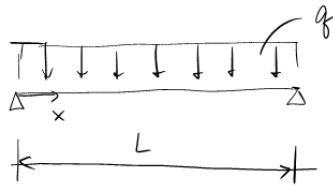
## Exercise 14-b

For the approximate deflection computed in exercise 14-a evaluate the balance residual.

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Solve approximately for the deflection using ad hoc trial/test functions: compute the residual



Balance eqn  $Pw'' + q = 0$  (statics)  
BC:  $w(0) = w(L) = 0$

We limit ourselves to a single basis function.  $\rightarrow N_1(x) = \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$   
Therefore also a single test function. The test function will be chosen the same as the basis function (that is what the Galerkin method does).  $\rightarrow \eta_1(x) = N_1(x)$

$$w(x) = a_1 N_1(x) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} \quad (\text{from previous exercise})$$

$$w'(x) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \frac{\pi}{L} \cos \frac{\pi x}{L}$$

$$w''(x) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^2 \left(-\sin \frac{\pi x}{L}\right) = -\frac{4}{\pi} \frac{q}{P} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$$

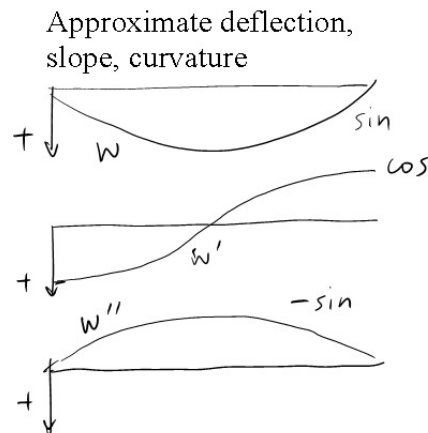
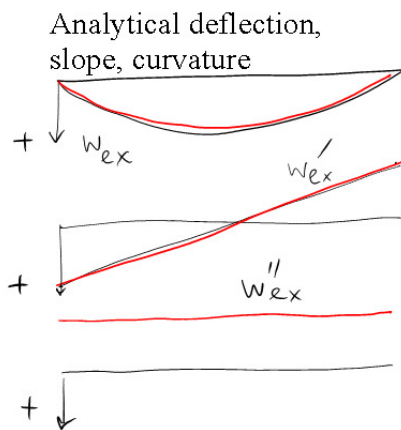
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$$P w'' + q = P \left( \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{q}{P} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} \right) + q = \left( 1 - \frac{4}{\pi} \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} \right) q = r_B$$

$$r_B \neq 0$$

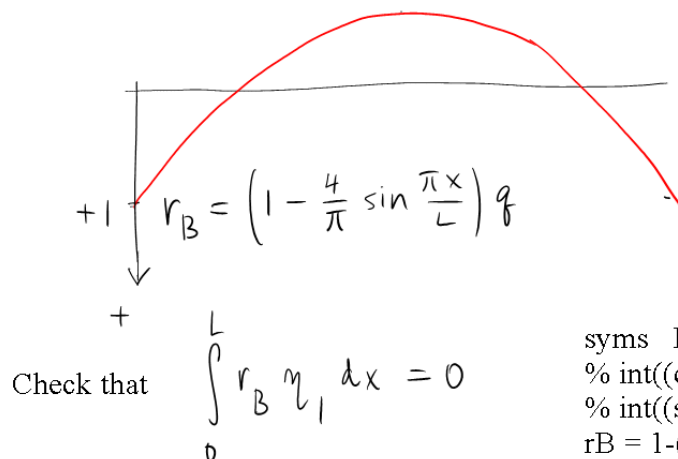
The trial solution does not satisfy the balance equation



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The balance equation residual is not zero



```
syms L P x real
% int((cos(pi*x/L))^2, 0, L)
% int((sin(pi*x/L)), 0, L)
rB = 1 - (4/pi)*sin(pi*x/L);
int((sin(pi*x/L)*rB), 0, L)
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0 ✓

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## Exercise 14-c

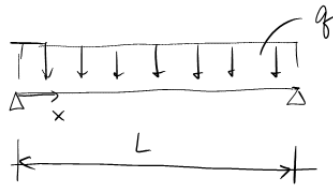
Solve for the approximate deflection of a simply supported prestressed cable with uniform load using the Galerkin method. Take as the trial function basis the two functions  $N_1(x) = \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$ ,  $N_2(x) = \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L}$  and set the test function  $\eta_1 = N_1$ ,  $\eta_2 = N_2$

Compare the midpoint deflection computed analytically and approximately.

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Panel 2

Solve approximately for the deflection using ad hoc trial/test functions



Balance eqn  $Pw'' + q = 0$  (statics)  
BC:  $w(0) = w(L) = 0$

We limit ourselves to two basis functions.  $N_1(x) = \sin \frac{\pi x}{L}$ ,  $N_2(x) = \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L}$

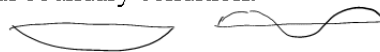
Therefore two test functions will be needed.  $\eta_1 = N_1$ ,  $\eta_2 = N_2$

The trial function is  $w(x) = a_1 N_1(x) + a_2 N_2(x)$

The coefficients  $a_1, a_2$  are the unknowns.

The trial function must satisfy all essential boundary conditions

The selected trial function does since the basis function does:



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Equation (2.15) simplifies to

$$-\int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta_j}{\partial x} P \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} w_i(\bar{t}) dx + \int_0^L \eta_j q dx = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, N \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{In fact} \\ N = 2 \end{array}$$

So that we have two equations

$$\begin{aligned} -\int_0^L \eta_1' P (a_1 N_1' + a_2 N_2') dx + \int_0^L \eta_1 q dx &= 0 \\ -\int_0^L \eta_2' P (a_1 N_1' + a_2 N_2') dx + \int_0^L \eta_2 q dx &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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These two equations may be rewritten in matrix form using

$$\begin{aligned} -\underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_1' dx}_{K_{11}} a_1 - \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_2' dx}_{K_{12}} a_2 + \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_1 q dx}_{L_1} &= 0 \\ -\underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_1' dx}_{K_{21}} a_1 - \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_2' dx}_{K_{22}} a_2 + \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_2 q dx}_{L_2} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_1' dx = P \left( \frac{\pi}{L} \right)^2 \frac{L}{2} = \frac{\pi^2}{2} \frac{P}{L}, \quad \int_0^L \eta_1' P N_2' dx = P \frac{\pi}{L} \frac{3\pi}{L} \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_1' dx = 0, \quad \int_0^L \eta_2' P N_2' dx = P \left( \frac{3\pi}{L} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{L}{2} = \frac{9\pi^2}{2} \frac{P}{L}$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_1 q dx = \frac{2L}{\pi} q, \quad \int_0^L \eta_2 q dx = \frac{2L}{3\pi} q$$

$$\frac{P}{L} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\pi^2}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{9\pi^2}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\pi} \\ \frac{2}{3\pi} \end{bmatrix} qL$$

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$$\frac{P}{L} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\pi^2}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{9\pi^2}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\pi} \\ \frac{2}{3\pi} \end{bmatrix} qL$$

$$a_1 = \frac{qL^2}{P} \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{2}{\pi^2} = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{qL^2}{P} \frac{2}{3\pi} \cdot \frac{2}{9\pi^2} = \frac{4}{27\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P}$$

So the approximate deflection is

$$w(x) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \left( \sin \frac{\pi x}{L} + \frac{1}{27} \sin \frac{3\pi x}{L} \right)$$

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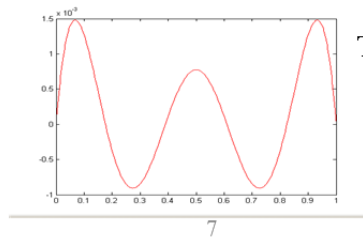
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Compare with analytical solution,  $w_{ex} = \frac{q}{2P} x(L-x) = \frac{qL^2}{2P} \frac{x}{L} \left(1 - \frac{x}{L}\right)$

midpoint deflection

$$w_{ex}\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{q}{2P} \frac{L}{2} \left(L - \frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{q}{2P} \frac{L^2}{4} = \frac{qL^2}{8P} = 0.125 \frac{qL^2}{P}$$

$$w\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \frac{4}{\pi^3} \frac{qL^2}{P} \left( \sin \frac{\pi L/2}{L} + \frac{1}{27} \sin \frac{3\pi L/2}{L} \right) \doteq 0.1242 \frac{qL^2}{P}$$



This is the difference

$$(w_{ex} - w)$$

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## Exercise 14-d

Solve for the approximate deflection of a prestressed cable with uniform load simply supported at  $x=0$  and with force-free boundary condition at  $x=L$  using the Galerkin method. Take as the trial function basis the two functions  $N_1(x) = x$  ,  $N_2(x) = x^2$

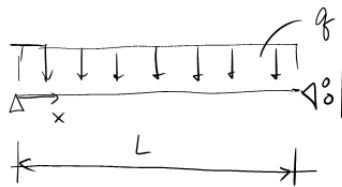
and set the test function  $\eta_1 = N_1$  ,  $\eta_2 = N_2$  .

Compare the free-end deflection computed analytically and approximately.

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Panel 2

Solve approximately for the deflection using ad hoc trial/test functions



$$\begin{aligned} \text{BVP : } & \mathcal{P} w'' + q = 0 \\ & w(0) = 0 \\ & w'(L) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

We limit ourselves to two basis functions.  $N_1(x) = x$  ,  $N_2(x) = x^2$

Therefore two test functions will be needed.  $\eta_1 = N_1$  ,  $\eta_2 = N_2$

The trial function is  $w(x) = a_1 N_1(x) + a_2 N_2(x)$

The coefficients  $a_1$  ,  $a_2$  are the unknowns .

The trial function must satisfy all essential boundary conditions  
The selected trial function does since the basis function do.

2

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Equation (2.15) simplifies to

$$\eta_j(L)F_L - \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta_j}{\partial x} P \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} w_i(\bar{t}) dx + \int_0^L \eta_j q dx = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, N \quad N = 2$$

So that we have two equations  $(F_L = 0)$

$$-\int_0^L \eta_1' P (a_1 N_1' + a_2 N_2') dx + \int_0^L \eta_1 q dx = 0$$

$$-\int_0^L \eta_2' P (a_1 N_1' + a_2 N_2') dx + \int_0^L \eta_2 q dx = 0$$

$$N_1' = 1, \quad N_2' = 2x$$

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These two equations may be rewritten in matrix form using

$$-\underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_1' dx}_{K_{11}} a_1 - \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_2' dx}_{K_{12}} a_2 + \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_1 q dx}_{L_1} = 0$$

$$-\underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_1' dx}_{K_{21}} a_1 - \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_2' dx}_{K_{22}} a_2 + \underbrace{\int_0^L \eta_2 q dx}_{L_2} = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$N_1' = 1, N_2' = 2x$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_1' dx = PL$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_1' P N_2' dx = P \left[ 2 \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^L = PL^2$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_1' dx = PL^2$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_2' P N_2' dx = P \left[ 4 \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^L = \frac{4}{3} PL^3$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_1 q dx = q \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^L = \frac{qL^2}{2}$$

$$\int_0^L \eta_2 q dx = q \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^L = \frac{qL^3}{3}$$

$$PL \begin{bmatrix} 1 & L \\ L & \frac{4}{3} L^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{L}{3} \end{bmatrix} qL^2$$

$$a_1 = \frac{qL}{P}$$

$$a_2 = -\frac{q}{2P}$$

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The trial displacement is

$$w(x) = \underbrace{\frac{qL}{P}}_{a_1} \underbrace{x}_{N_1} - \underbrace{\frac{q}{2P}}_{a_2} \underbrace{x^2}_{N_2} = \frac{qL}{P} \left( x - \frac{x^2}{2L} \right)$$

We may suspect that this is actually an exact solution (since it is a second order polynomial). Let us check it. First the balance equation

$$P w'' = P \left( \frac{qL}{P} \left( x - \frac{x^2}{2L} \right) \right)'' = -q$$

$$P w'' + q = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Now the boundary conditions.

$$w(0) = 0 \quad \checkmark \quad w'(x) = \frac{qL}{P} \left( 1 - \frac{x}{L} \right) \Rightarrow w'(L) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

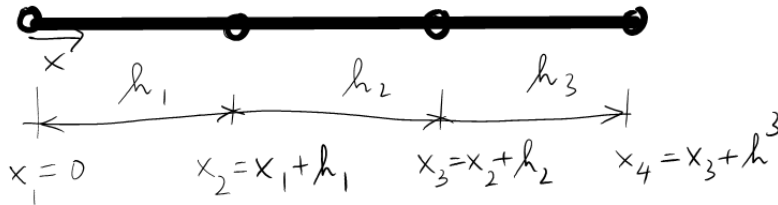
The solution is in fact the exact deflection curve for this boundary value problem.

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## Exercise 15

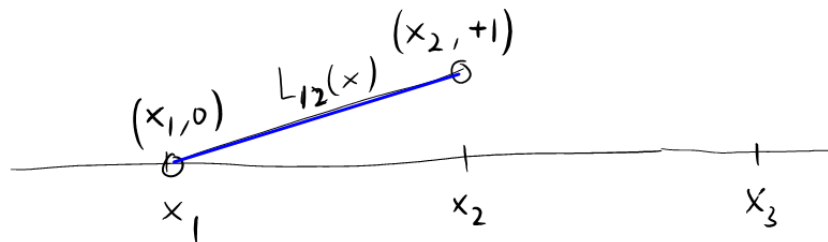
For the shown finite element mesh express the finite element basis functions and their derivatives as expressions in the independent variable  $x$ .



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Lagrange interpolation polynomial



through points  $(x_1, 0)$  and  $(x_2, +1)$

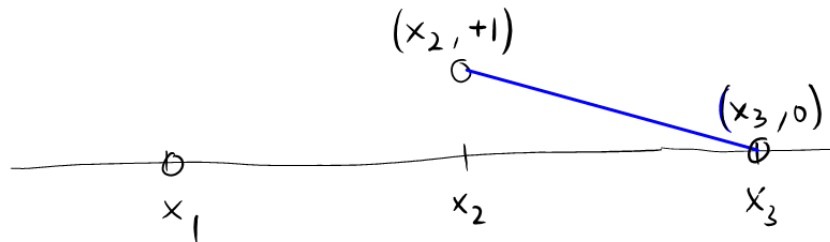
$$L_{12}(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \Rightarrow L_{12}(x_1) = \frac{x_1 - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$L_{12}(x_2) = \frac{x_2 - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

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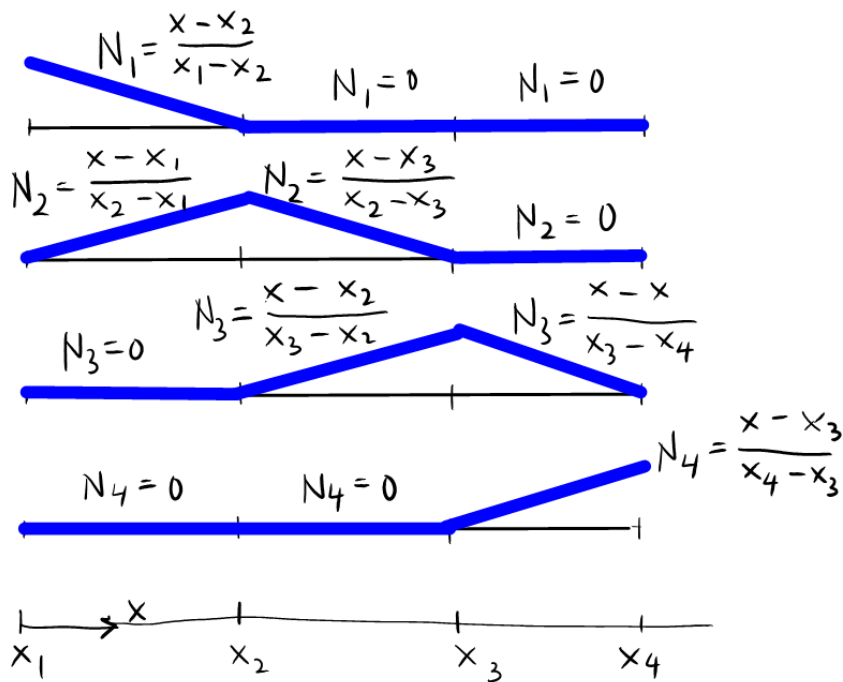
through points  $(x_2, +1)$  and  $(x_3, 0)$

$$L_{23}(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3} \Rightarrow L_{23}(x_2) = \frac{x_2 - x_3}{x_2 - x_3} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$L_{23}(x_3) = \frac{x_3 - x_3}{x_2 - x_3} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

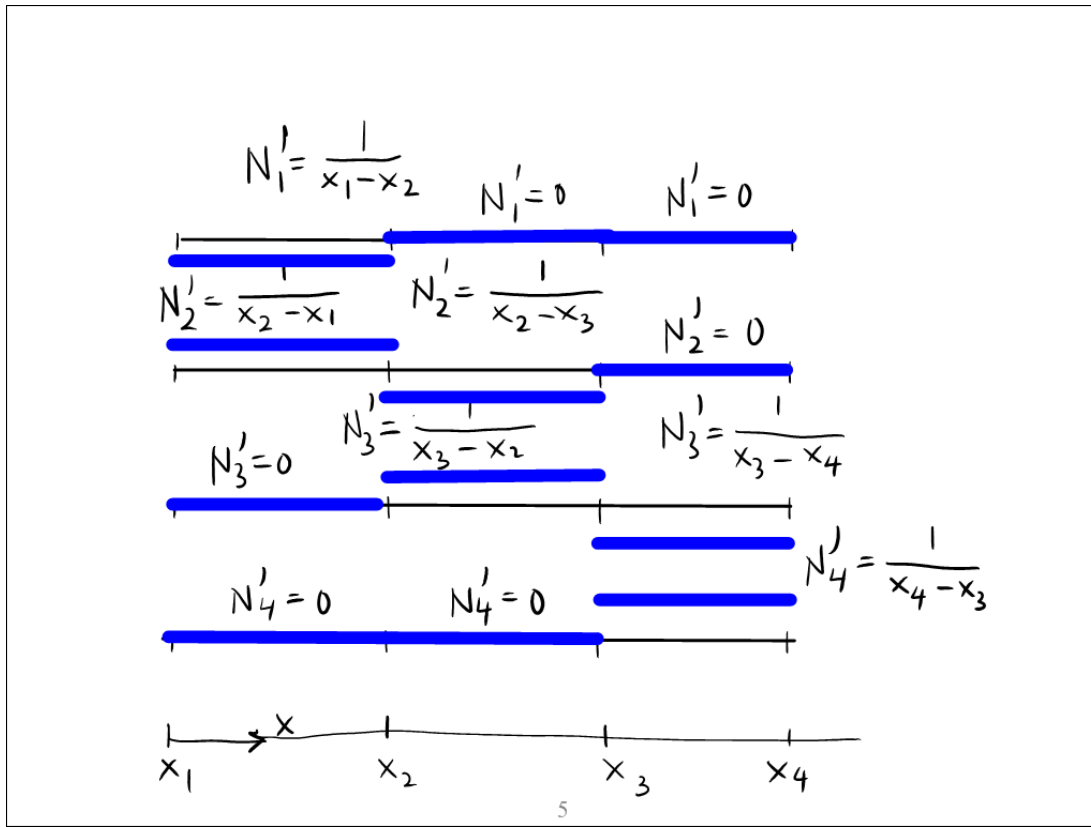
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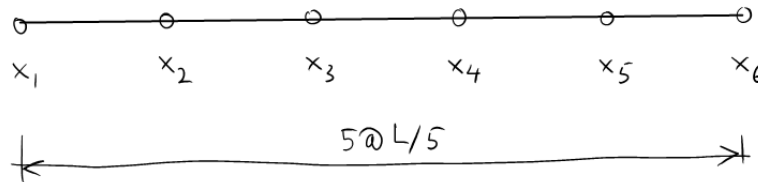
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## Exercise 16-a

Interpolate  $\cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right)$  on the interval  $0 \leq x \leq L$  on a mesh of five equally-sized L2 finite elements.



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Interpolation is defined by the condition that the interpolating function is equal to the interpolated function at the nodes.

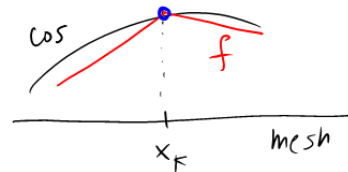
$\cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{L}\right)$  is the interpolated function

$f(x) = \sum N_i(x) f_i$  is the interpolating function, where  $f_i$  are the parameters that we need to determine from the so-called interpolation conditions

The interpolation condition is written as

$$\cos\left(\frac{2\pi x_k}{L}\right) = f(x_k)$$

for all nodes  $k$ .



It is very important to realize that the properties of the finite element basis functions make the interpolation very easy. Namely, we have that

$$N_i(x_k) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } i = k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

These is the Kronecker delta property

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Panel 3

Therefore, the value of the interpolating function at the node is

$$f(x_k) = \sum N_i(x_k) f_i$$

Because of the Kronecker property, we have

$$f(x_k) = \sum N_i(x_k) f_i =$$

$$\underbrace{N_1(x_k)}_0 f_1 + \underbrace{N_2(x_k)}_0 f_2 + \dots + \underbrace{N_k(x_k)}_1 f_k + \dots + \underbrace{N_{k+1}(x_k)}_0 f_{k+1} = f_k$$

The interpolation condition is recalled as  $f(x_k) = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x_k}{L}\right)$

and therefore the parameters of the finite element interpolation function are

$$f_k = f(x_k) = \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x_k}{L}\right)$$

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The finite element interpolation function is therefore written on the given mesh as

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^6 N_i(x) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x_i}{L}\right)$$

For this mesh we have

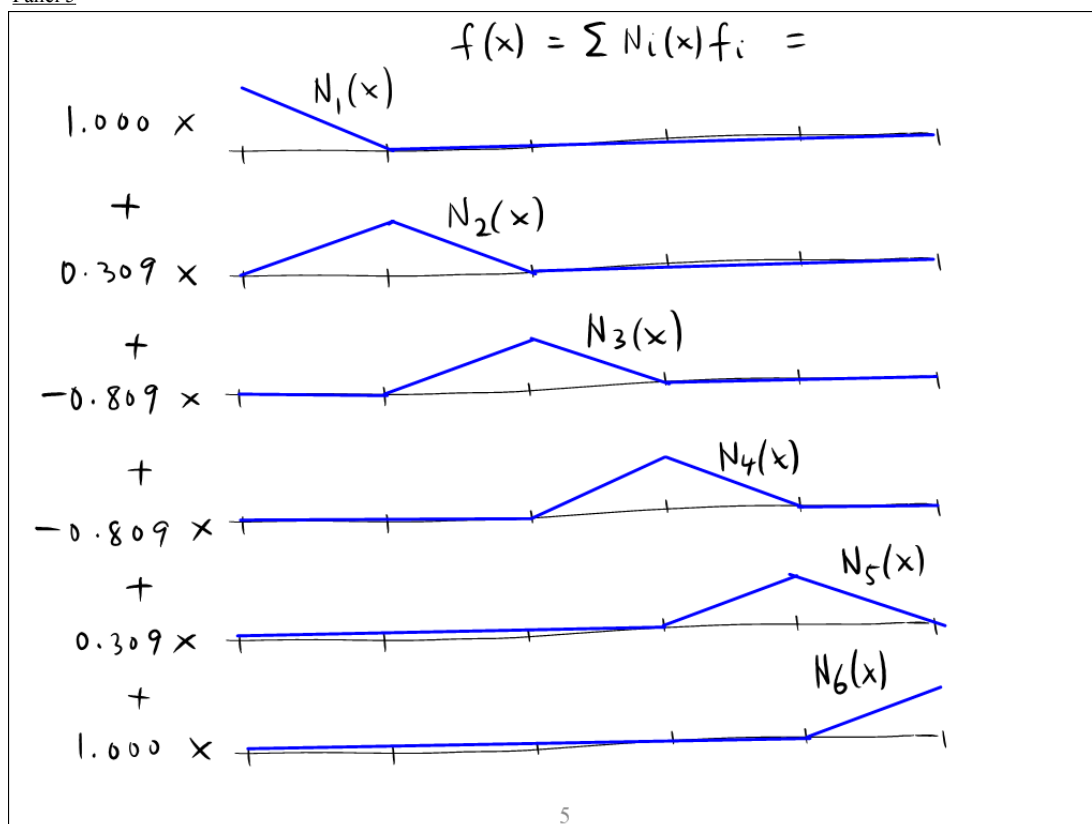
$$\frac{x_i}{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.2000 & 0.4000 & 0.6000 & 0.8000 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

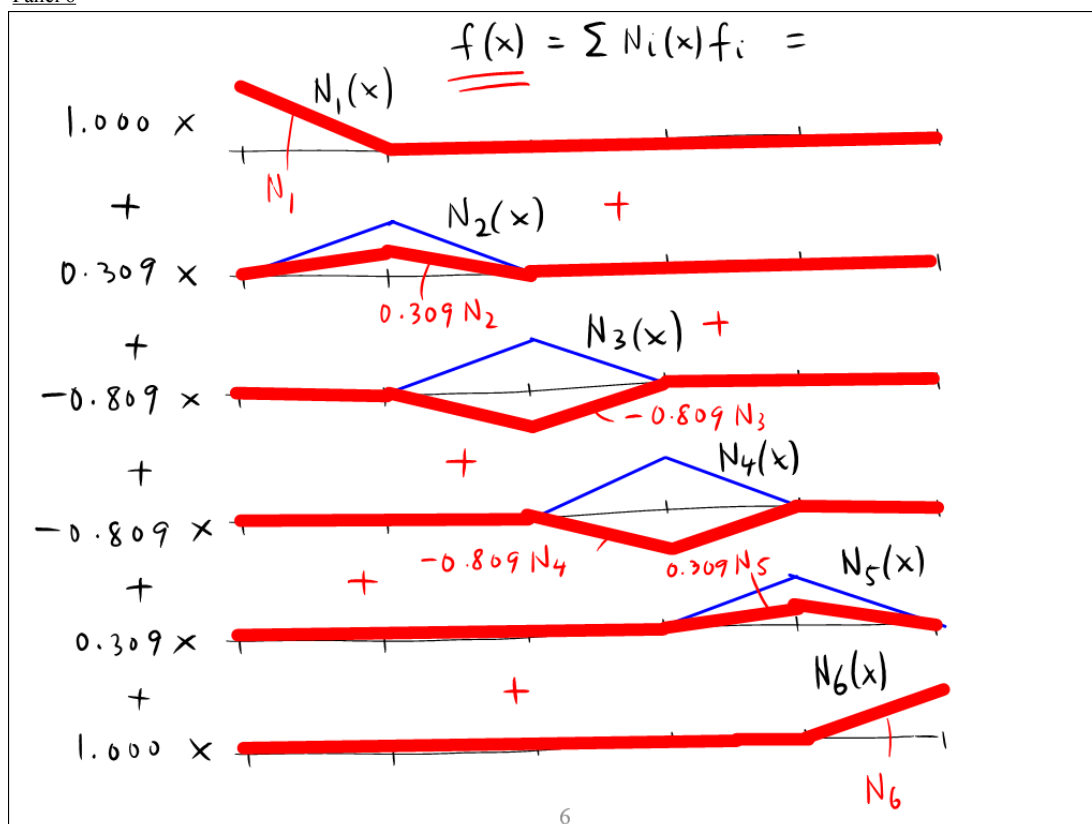
$$\cos\left(2\pi \frac{x_i}{L}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & 0.3090 & -0.8090 & -0.8090 & 0.3090 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$$

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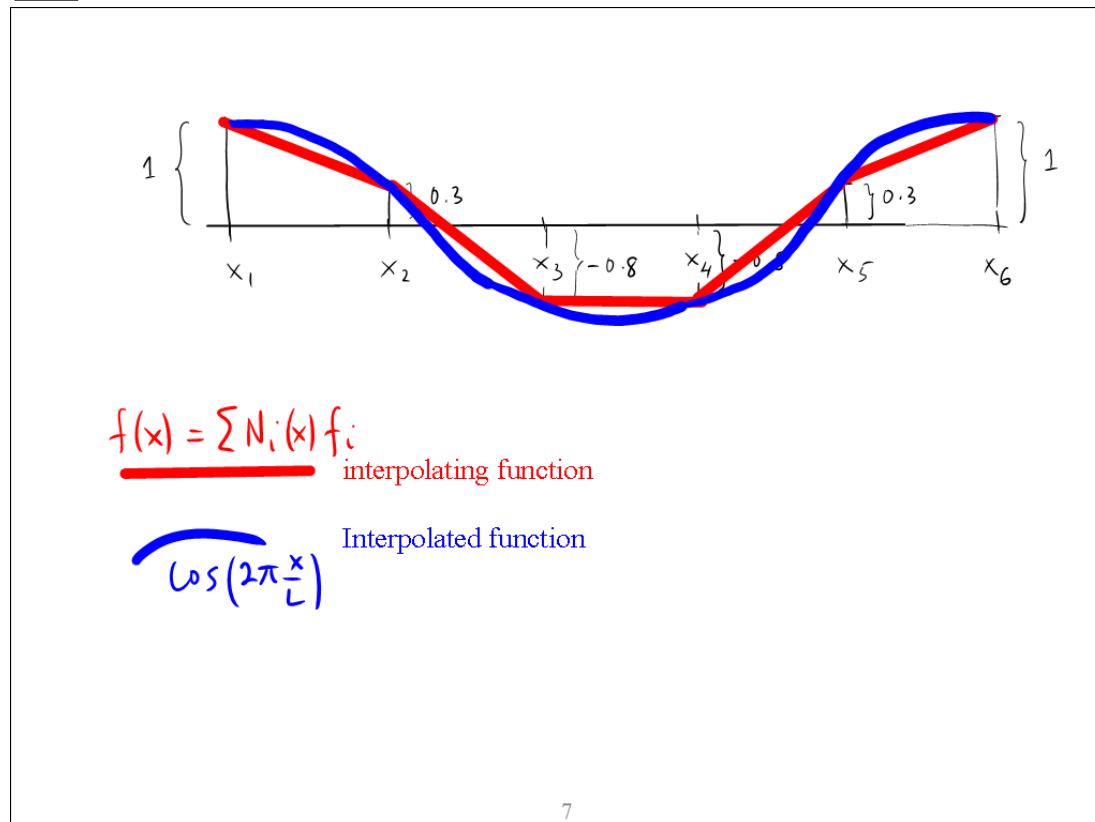
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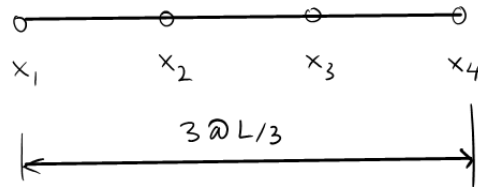
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## Exercise 16-b

Interpolate  $ax + b$  on the interval  $0 \leq x \leq L$  on a mesh of three equally-sized L2 finite elements. Show that the interpolation error is zero. In other words, shows that the linear function can be interpolated exactly on the mesh of L2 finite elements.



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Interpolation is defined by the condition that the interpolating function is equal to the interpolated function at the nodes.

$ax + b$  is the interpolated function

$f(x) = \sum N_i(x) f_i$  is the interpolating function, where  $f_i$  are the parameters that we need to determine from the so-called interpolation conditions

The interpolation condition is written as

$$ax_k + b = f(x_k)$$

for all nodes  $k$ .

The properties of the finite element basis functions make the interpolation very easy. Namely, we have that

$$N_i(x_k) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } i = k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This is the Kronecker delta property

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Panel 3

Therefore, the value of the interpolating function at the node is

$$f(x_k) = \sum N_i(x_k) f_i$$

Because of the Kronecker property, we have

$$f(x_k) = \sum N_i(x_k) f_i =$$

$$\underbrace{N_1(x_k)}_0 f_1 + \underbrace{N_2(x_k)}_0 f_2 + \dots + \underbrace{N_k(x_k)}_1 f_k + \dots + \underbrace{N_{k+1}(x_k)}_0 f_{k+1} = f_k$$

The interpolation condition is recalled as  $f(x_k) = ax_k + b$

and therefore the parameters of the finite element interpolation function are

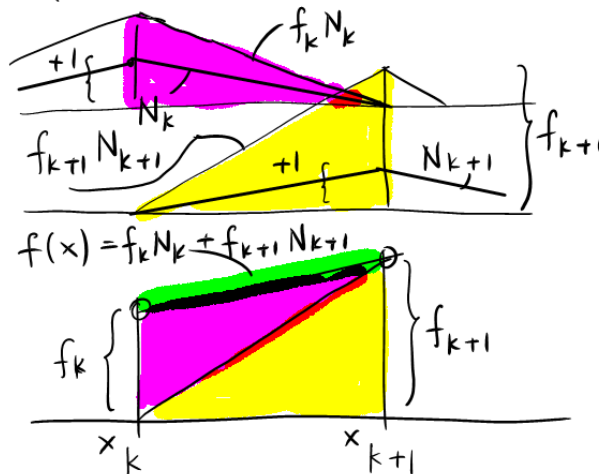
$$f_k = f(x_k) = ax_k + b$$

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Recall that the finite element basis functions are piecewise linear and there are non-zero only in the two finite elements that share a node. Therefore, we have for the interpolating function in the interval  $x_k \leq x \leq x_{k+1}$

$$f(x) = N_k(x) f_k + N_{k+1}(x) f_{k+1}$$



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Panel 5

Importantly, we see that in the interval  $x_k \leq x \leq x_{k+1}$  the function  $f(x)$  is some of two linear functions  $N_k, N_{k+1}$ .

Therefore,  $f(x)$  is a linear function, and as such it is the unique linear function passing through two given points.

Since the interpolated function  $ax + b$  also passes through the same two points, we conclude that the interpolated function is identical to the interpolating function.

Therefore, we conclude that on a mesh of  $L_2$  finite elements the basis functions can interpolate exactly arbitrary linear functions.

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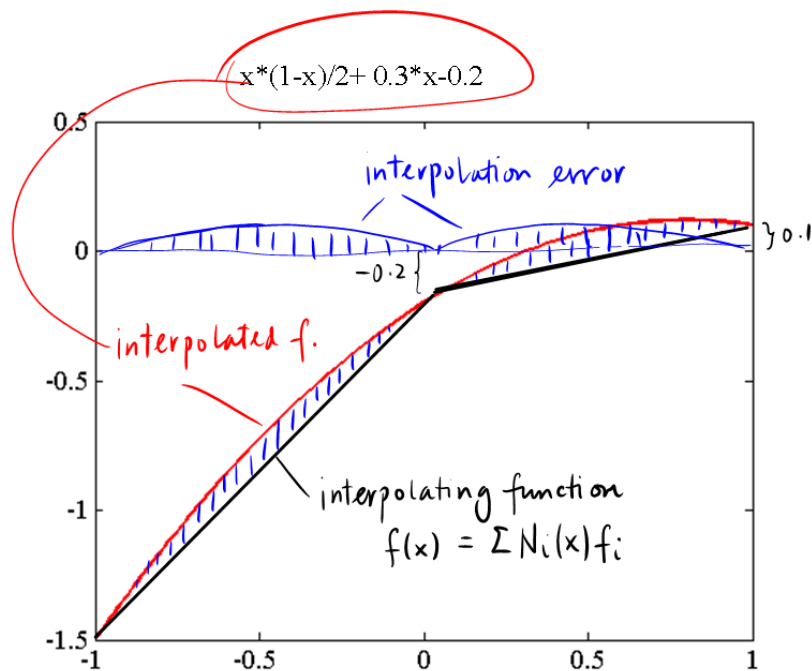
## Exercise 16-c

Illustrate the error of interpolation of an arbitrary quadratic function when it is interpolated by a finite element expansion using a mesh of L2 finite elements.

Plot the interpolation error for both the quadratic function itself and for its derivative (slope).

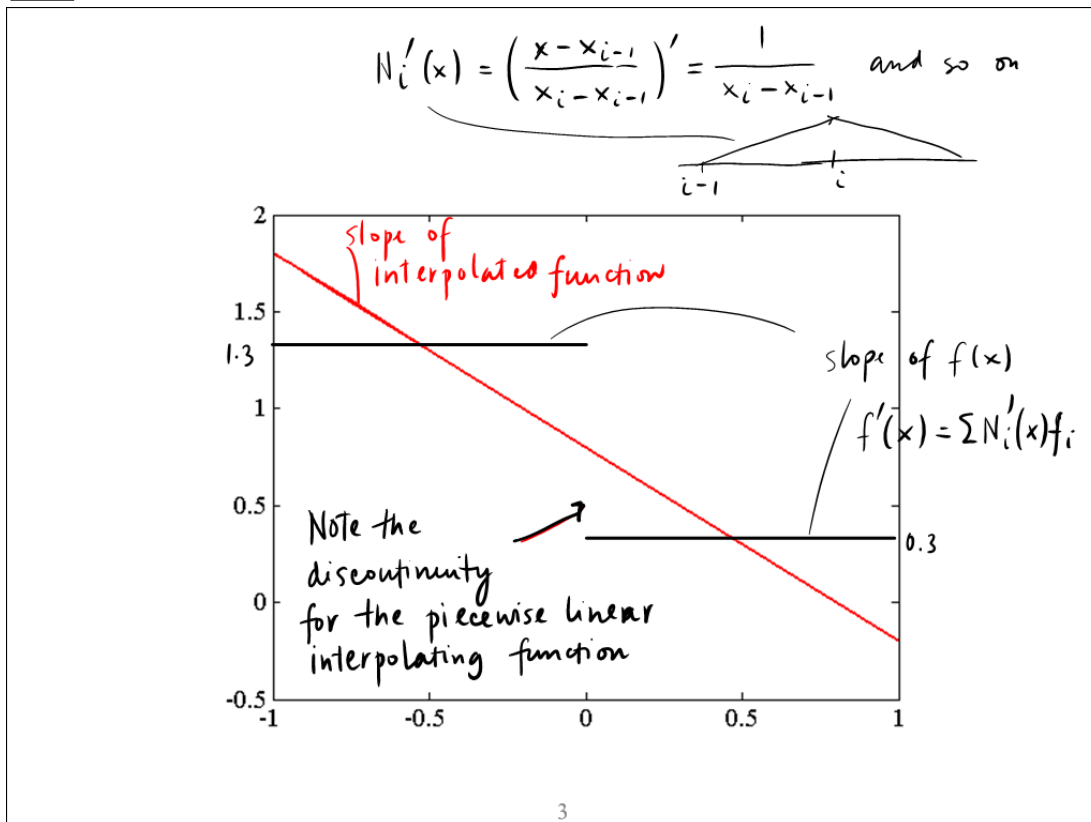
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## Exercise 19-a

Integrate the function  $f(x) = 2x^2 + \frac{x^3}{3}$  from -1 to 0 using  
(1) Trapezoidal rule, (2) Simpson's rule. Compare with the analytical  
solution.

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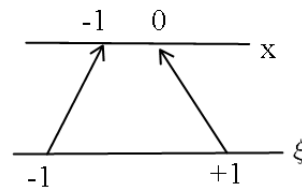
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The analytical solution is  $\int_{-1}^0 2x^2 + \frac{x^3}{3} = 7/12 = 0.583333333333333$

The trapezoidal rule has a table on the standard interval  $-1 \leq \xi \leq +1$

$\xi_k$	$W_k$
-1	+1
+1	+1

The Jacobian is  $\frac{0 - (-1)}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$



The two quadrature points map to the ends of the interval.  
Therefore, with a trapezoidal rule the integral is approximated as

$$f = @(x) 2*x^2 + (x^3)/3;$$

$$(1/2)*(1*f(-1) + 1*f(0))$$

$$\text{ans} =$$

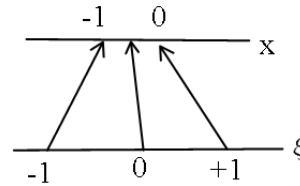
$$0.833333333333333$$

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The Simpson's rule has a table on the standard interval  $-1 \leq \xi \leq +1$

$\xi_k$	$W_k$
-1	+1/3
0	+4/3
+1	+1/3



Therefore, we can express (refer also to the equation on page 19)

$\gg f=@(x)2*x^2+(x^3)/3;$   
 $a=-1; b=0;$   
 $g=@(xi)(1/2)*(a+b)+(1/2)*(b-a)*xi;$   
 $(1/2)*((1/3)*f(g(-1))+(4/3)*f(g(0))+(1/3)*f(g(+1)))$

ans =

0.583333333333333

Jacobian

Integrated function

this is (2.24)

Integral

Note that Simpson's rule gives the exact value of the integral

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## Exercise 19-b

Derive Gaussian quadrature rules using 1, and 2 points on the standard interval.

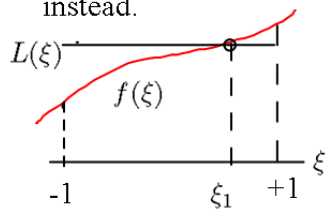
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We will explain the idea behind the Gaussian quadrature first on the example of a one-point quadrature rule.

The starting point is the idea that the integral of the function  $f(\xi)$

may be approximated by integrating its interpolating polynomial  $L(\xi)$  instead.



The interpolating polynomial passes through the point  $\xi_1$  and given that the interpolation is through a single point the interpolating polynomial is a constant polynomial.

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Now we will attempt to make the one-point rule accurate also for a polynomial  $p(\xi)$  higher than constant. For instance, we may require that any linear polynomial be integrated exactly by the one-point rule.

In other words, we would be requiring that

$$\sum_{k=1}^M L(\xi_k) W_k = L(\xi_1) W_1 = \sum_{k=1}^M p(\xi_k) W_k = p(\xi_1) W_1$$

This simply means that the values of the interpolating polynomial  $L(\xi)$  and the higher order polynomial  $p(\xi)$  must agree at the quadrature point.

$$p(\xi_1) = L(\xi_1)$$

In order for the quadrature rule to give us the exact integral of the function  $p(\xi)$  we must then require

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} [p(\xi) - L(\xi)] = 0$$

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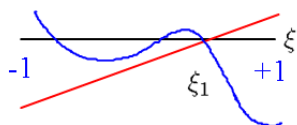
This tells us that we have to find the location of the quadrature point  $\xi_1$  so that the polynomial  $p(\xi) - L(\xi)$  passes through zero at the quadrature point, and at the same time it integrates to equal to zero

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} [p(\xi) - L(\xi)] = 0$$

For convenience define

$$F(\xi) = [p(\xi) - L(\xi)]$$

Here are some candidate polynomials that pass through zero at  $\xi_1$



They can be all written as

$$(\xi - \xi_1)q(\xi)$$

where the first term makes sure the product becomes zero at  $\xi_1$

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So we are trying to satisfy this condition.

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} F(\xi) = \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)q(\xi) = 0$$

Consider as an example  $q(\xi) = (A\xi + B)$

Then the condition will actually split into two parts each of which needs to be satisfied separately (since the two terms are linearly independent).

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(A\xi + B) = \int_{-1}^{+1} [(\xi - \xi_1)A\xi] + \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)B = 0$$

However we cannot satisfy both equations, since we have only one parameter,  $\xi_1$

We can satisfy one condition, which means we can take  $q(\xi) = B$

It immediately follows that the solution is  $\xi_1 = 0$

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The weight for the one-point Gaussian rule needs to be determined so that the Lagrange interpolation polynomial itself is integrated exactly. Since here the Lagrange interpolation polynomial is a constant, the weight follows as  $W_1 = 2$

It follows from our derivation that the one-point Gaussian rule will be able to integrate exactly linear polynomials.



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Now let us look at a two-point Gaussian rule. First we will determine the locations of the quadrature points

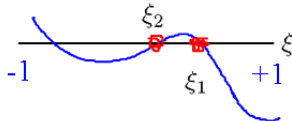
We have to find the location of the quadrature points  $\xi_1, \xi_2$  so that the polynomial  $p(\xi) - L(\xi)$  passes through zero at the quadrature point, and at the same time it integrates to equal to zero

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} [p(\xi) - L(\xi)] = 0$$

For convenience define

$$F(\xi) = [p(\xi) - L(\xi)]$$

Here are some candidate polynomials that pass through zero at  $\xi_1, \xi_2$



They can be all written as

$$(\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)q(\xi)$$

where the first two terms makes sure the product becomes zero at  $\xi_1, \xi_2$

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Now it will be possible to take  $q(\xi) = (A\xi + B)$

The integral

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(A\xi + B) = \int_{-1}^{+1} [(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_1)A\xi] + \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_1)B = 0$$

splits into

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} [(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_1)A\xi] = 0, \quad \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_1)B = 0$$

which can be solved for the locations of the quadrature points to give

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Panel 9

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syms xi xi1 xi2 real
int((xi-xi1)*(xi-xi2),-1,+1),
int(xi*(xi-xi1)*(xi-xi2),-1,+1)
solution=solve('2/3+2*xi1*xi2=0','-2/3*xi1-2/3*xi2=0','xi1','xi2')
solution.xi1
solution.xi2
ans =

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-1/3*3^(1/2)
1/3*3^(1/2)

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The locations of the two quadrature points are seen to be  $\xi_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \xi_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

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Panel 10

The weights of the quadrature points are determined so that an arbitrary linear polynomial (the Lagrange interpolation polynomial through two points) is integrated exactly

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} (A\xi + B) = 2B$$

The quadrature formula gives

$$\sum_{k=1}^M (A\xi_k + B)W_k = A\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}W_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}W_2\right) + (W_1 + W_2)B$$

Evidently, the exact integral is obtained if  $W_1 = 1, W_2 = 1$

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Panel 11

Number of points, $n$	Points, $x_j$	Weights, $w_j$
1	0	2
2	$\pm\sqrt{1/3}$	1
3	0	$8/9$
	$\pm\sqrt{3/5}$	$5/9$
4	$\pm\sqrt{(3 - 2\sqrt{6/5})/7}$	$\frac{18+\sqrt{30}}{36}$
	$\pm\sqrt{(3 + 2\sqrt{6/5})/7}$	$\frac{18-\sqrt{30}}{36}$
5	0	$128/225$
	$\pm\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{5 - 2\sqrt{10/7}}$	$\frac{322+13\sqrt{70}}{900}$
	$\pm\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{10/7}}$	$\frac{322-13\sqrt{70}}{900}$

Panel 1

## Exercise 19-c

Derive Gaussian 3-point quadrature rule on the standard interval.

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Panel 2

First we will determine the locations of the quadrature points

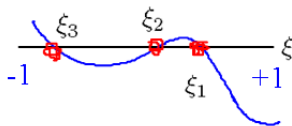
We have to find the location of the quadrature points  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3$  so that the polynomial  $p(\xi) - L(\xi)$  passes through zero at the quadrature point, and at the same time it integrates to equal to zero

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} [p(\xi) - L(\xi)] = 0$$

For convenience define

$$F(\xi) = [p(\xi) - L(\xi)]$$

The candidate polynomials that pass through zero at  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3$



They can be all written as

$$(\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)q(\xi)$$

where the first three terms makes sure the product becomes zero at  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3$

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Panel 3

In order to obtain three equations we take  $q(\xi) = (A\xi^2 + B\xi + C)$   
 where  $A, B, C$  are arbitrary real numbers.

The integral  $\int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)(A\xi^2 + B\xi + C) d\xi = 0$

splits into

$$\left| \begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)(A\xi^2) d\xi &= 0 \\ \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)(B\xi) d\xi &= 0 \\ \int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)(C) d\xi &= 0 \end{aligned} \right|$$

This constitutes a system of three equations can be solved for the locations of the quadrature points to give

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Panel 4

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syms xi xi1 xi2 xi3 real
int((xi-xi1)*(xi-xi2)*(xi-xi3),-1,+1),
int(xi*(xi-xi1)*(xi-xi2)*(xi-xi3),-1,+1)
int(xi^2*(xi-xi1)*(xi-xi2)*(xi-xi3),-1,+1)
solution=solve('-2/3*xi1-2/3*xi2-2/3*xi3-2*xi1*xi2*xi3=0',...
               '2/5+2/3*xi1*xi2-2/3*(-xi1-xi2)*xi3=0',...
               '-2/5*xi1-2/5*xi2-2/5*xi3-2/3*xi1*xi2*xi3=0','xi1','xi2','xi3')
solution.xi1
solution.xi2
solution.xi3

ans =

    1/5*15^(1/2)
   -1/5*15^(1/2)
    1/5*15^(1/2)
   -1/5*15^(1/2)
         0
         0
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The locations of the quadrature points are seen to be

$$\xi_1 = -1/5 * 15^{1/2}, \xi_2 = 0, \xi_3 = 1/5 * 15^{1/2}$$

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Panel 5

The weights of the quadrature points are determined so that an arbitrary quadratic polynomial (the Lagrange interpolation polynomial through three points) is integrated exactly

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} L(\xi) = \int_{-1}^{+1} (a\xi^2 + b\xi + c) = (2/3)a + 2c$$

The quadrature formula gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^3 (a\xi_k^2 + b\xi_k + c)W_k &= \\ (a\xi_1^2 + b\xi_1 + c)W_1 &+ (a\xi_2^2 + b\xi_2 + c)W_2 + (a\xi_3^2 + b\xi_3 + c)W_3 \\ &= a(W_1\xi_1^2 + W_2\xi_2^2 + W_3\xi_3^2) + b(W_1\xi_1 + W_2\xi_2 + W_3\xi_3) + c(W_1 + W_2 + W_3) \end{aligned}$$

Evidently, the exact integral is obtained if

$$(W_1\xi_1^2 + W_2\xi_2^2 + W_3\xi_3^2) = 2/3, (W_1\xi_1 + W_2\xi_2 + W_3\xi_3) = 0, (W_1 + W_2 + W_3) = 2$$

Hence, we obtain  $W_1 = 5/9, W_2 = 8/9, W_3 = 5/9$

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Panel 6

Since the integral of the difference between  $p(\xi) - L(\xi)$

integrates to zero

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} (\xi - \xi_1)(\xi - \xi_2)(\xi - \xi_3)(A\xi^2 + B\xi + C) = 0$$

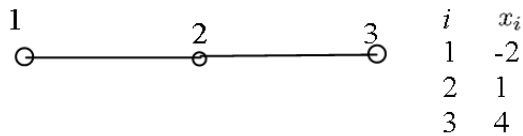
we may conclude that fifth order polynomials (and lower order) will be integrated exactly by the three-point Gaussian rule.

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Panel 1

## Exercise 20-a

Compute the first row of the mass matrix using Gaussian 1-point quadrature for the mesh shown below. Mass density is constant across the mesh.



Use the Galerkin method (test function = basis function).

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Panel 2

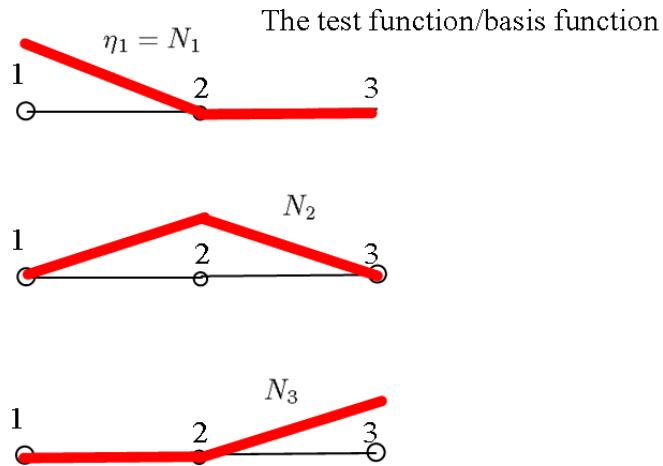
By definition the mass matrix elements are computed from

$$M_{ji} = \int_0^L \eta_j \mu N_i \, dx, \quad (2.17)$$

Because we are using the Galerkin method,  $\eta_1 = N_1$

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Panel 3



We can see that functions  $N_1, N_3$  are never both different from zero at any given location. Therefore, the mass matrix element  $M_{13} = 0$

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Panel 4

The mass matrix element  $M_{11}$  is evaluated from integration on the first finite element only, since the first basis function is identically zero on the second finite element.

Thus, we need to compute 
$$M_{11} = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1^2 \mu \, dx = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1^2 \, dx$$

The basis function may be expressed as the Lagrange interpolation polynomial

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$

Analytical integration yields 
$$M_{11} = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1^2 \, dx = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/3$$

4



Panel 5

Gaussian one-point integration is according to (2.26) written as

$$M_{11} = \mu N_1(\xi = 0)^2 \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 2$$

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Integrand                  Jacobian                  Weight

Note that the basis function at the midpoint of the interval assumes the value of one half

$$N_1(\xi = 0) = 1/2$$

We have for the mass matrix element computed with Gaussian one-point quadrature

$$M_{11} = \mu N_1(\xi = 0)^2 \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 2 = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/4$$

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Panel 6

The mass matrix element  $M_{12}$  is evaluated from integration on the first finite element only, since the first basis function is identically zero on the second finite element.

Thus, we need to compute  $M_{12} = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1 N_2 \mu \, dx = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1 N_2 \, dx$

The basis functions may be expressed on the first finite element as the Lagrange interpolation polynomials

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2} \quad N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$


Analytical integration yields  $M_{12} = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1 N_2 \, dx = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/6$

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Panel 7

Gaussian one-point integration is according to (2.26) written as


$$M_{12} = \mu N_1(\xi = 0) N_2(\xi = 0) \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 2$$



Integrand



Jacobian



Weight

Note that the basis function at the midpoint of the interval assumes the value of one half

$$N_1(\xi = 0) = 1/2 \quad N_2(\xi = 0) = 1/2$$

We have for the mass matrix element computed with Gaussian one-point quadrature

$$M_{12} = \mu N_1(\xi = 0) N_2(\xi = 0) \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 2 = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/4$$

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Panel 8

Comparison of the first row of the mass matrix

	$M_{11}$	$M_{12}$	$M_{13}$
Analytical:	$\mu(x_2 - x_1)/3$	$\mu(x_2 - x_1)/6$	0

Numerical (one-point Gaussian quadrature):

$\mu(x_2 - x_1)/4$	$\mu(x_2 - x_1)/4$	0
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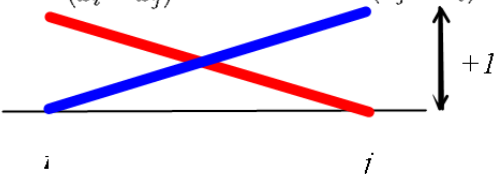
## Exercise 20-b

Verify formula (2.28) for the derivatives of the basis functions.

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Panel 2

The basis functions on the finite element  $ij$  may be written in terms of the physical coordinate  $x$  using the Lagrange interpolation polynomials as

$$N_i(x) = \frac{(x - x_j)}{(x_i - x_j)} \quad N_j(x) = \frac{(x - x_i)}{(x_j - x_i)}$$


Consequently, the derivatives of the basis functions on this element may be written as

$$N'_i = \frac{1}{(x_i - x_j)} \quad N'_j = \frac{1}{(x_j - x_i)}$$

The same results would be obtained from the geometrical picture: the slope of either straight line is rise over run. Rise is either -1 or +1, run is the length of the element,  $(x_j - x_i)$

2

Panel 3

In parametric coordinates on the standard interval  $-1 \leq \xi \leq +1$

the basis functions are expressed as shown in equation (2.27). Briefly, the basis functions on the standard interval are Lagrange interpolation functions in terms of the  $-1 \leq \xi \leq +1$  variable.

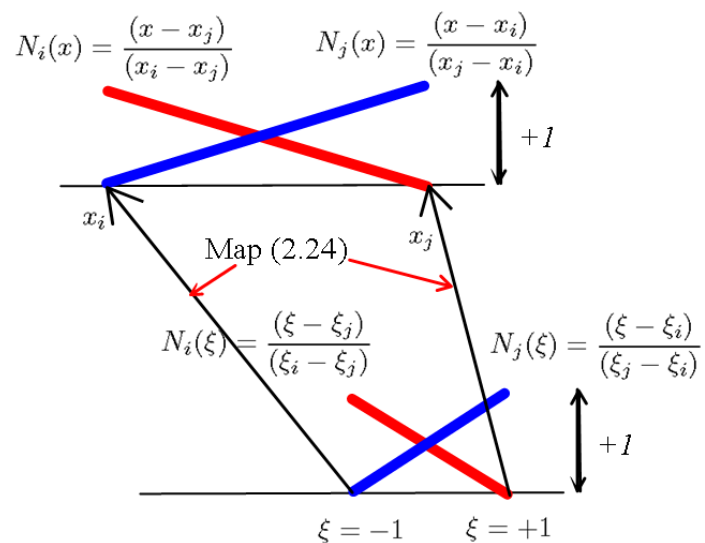
$$N_i(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_j)}{(\xi_i - \xi_j)} \quad N_j(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_i)}{(\xi_j - \xi_i)}$$

Here we write  $\xi_i = -1$  for the left-hand side of the standard interval which maps to  $x_i$  and  $\xi_j = +1$  for the right hand side of the standard interval which maps to  $x_j$

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Panel 4

We have this picture



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Panel 5

The derivatives of the basis functions in the parametric coordinates

$$N_i(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_j)}{(\xi_i - \xi_j)} \quad N_j(\xi) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_i)}{(\xi_j - \xi_i)}$$

with respect to  $\xi$  are readily calculated as

$$\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} = \frac{1}{(\xi_i - \xi_j)} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{\partial N_j}{\partial \xi} = \frac{1}{(\xi_j - \xi_i)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

The map (2.24) is easily inverted:  $\xi = \frac{2x - a - b}{b - a} \quad a = x_i, b = x_j$

Therefore, the derivative  $\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} = \frac{2}{x_j - x_i}$  follows, and we can write

for the derivatives of the basis functions with respect to  $x$

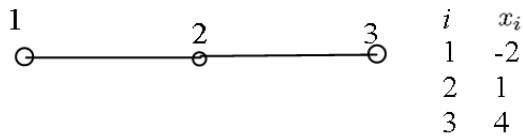
$$\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{x_j - x_i} = -\frac{1}{x_j - x_i} \quad \frac{\partial N_j}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial N_j}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{x_j - x_i} = \frac{1}{x_j - x_i}$$

These are the same expressions we obtained previously by directly differentiating the Lagrange interpolation polynomials with the respect to  $x$ .

Panel 1

## Exercise 20-c

Compute the first row of the mass matrix using Gaussian 2-point quadrature for the mesh shown below. Mass density is constant across the mesh.



Use the Galerkin method (test function = basis function).

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Panel 2

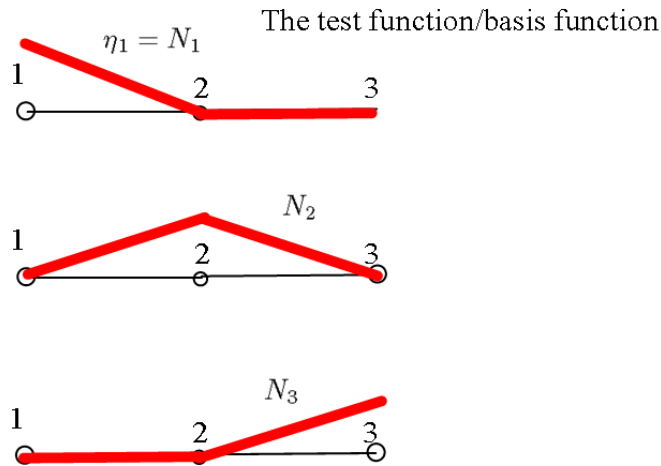
By definition the mass matrix elements are computed from

$$M_{ji} = \int_0^L \eta_j \mu N_i \, dx, \quad (2.17)$$

Because we are using the Galerkin method,  $\eta_1 = N_1$

2

Panel 3



We can see that functions  $N_1, N_3$  are never both different from zero at any given location. Therefore, the mass matrix element  $M_{13} = 0$

3

Panel 4

The mass matrix element  $M_{11}$  is evaluated from integration on the first finite element only, since the first basis function is identically zero on the second finite element.

Thus, we need to compute  $M_{11} = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1^2 \mu \, dx = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1^2 \, dx$

The basis function may be expressed as the Lagrange interpolation polynomial

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$


Analytical integration yields  $M_{11} = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1^2 \, dx = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/3$

4


Panel 5

Gaussian 2-point integration is according to (2.26) written as


$$M_{11} = \mu N_1(\xi = 1/\sqrt{3})^2 \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 1 \\ + \mu N_1(\xi = -1/\sqrt{3})^2 \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 1$$



Integrand



Jacobian



Weight

The basis function assumes at the quadrature points values of

$$N_1(\xi = -1/\sqrt{3}) = 0.788675134594813 \quad N_1(\xi = 1/\sqrt{3}) = 0.211324865405187$$

We have for the mass matrix element computed with Gaussian 2-point quadrature

$$M_{11} = \mu(0.211324865405187^2 + 0.788675134594813^2) \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 1 = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/3$$

We can see that the numerical result agrees with the analytical integration.

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Panel 6

The mass matrix element  $M_{12}$  is evaluated from integration on the first finite element only, since the first basis function is identically zero on the second finite element.

Thus, we need to compute  $M_{12} = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1 N_2 \mu \, dx = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1 N_2 \, dx$

The basis functions may be expressed on the first finite element as the Lagrange interpolation polynomials

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2} \quad N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Analytical integration yields  $M_{12} = \mu \int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_1 N_2 \, dx = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/6$

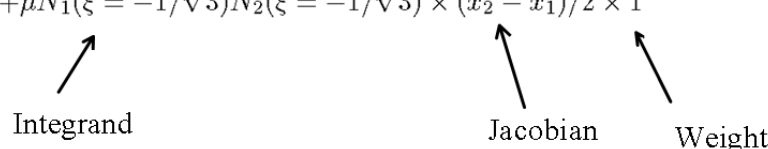
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Gaussian 2-point integration is according to (2.26) written as

$$M_{12} = \mu N_1(\xi = 1/\sqrt{3}) N_2(\xi = 1/\sqrt{3}) \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 1 \bigg|$$

$$+ \mu N_1(\xi = -1/\sqrt{3}) N_2(\xi = -1/\sqrt{3}) \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 1$$


Integrand                      Jacobian              Weight

The basis function assumes at the quadrature points values of

$$N_1(\xi = -1/\sqrt{3}) = 0.788675134594813 \quad N_1(\xi = 1/\sqrt{3}) = 0.211324865405187$$

$$N_2(\xi = -1/\sqrt{3}) = 0.211324865405187 \quad N_2(\xi = 1/\sqrt{3}) = 0.788675134594813$$

We have for the mass matrix element computed with Gaussian 2-point quadrature

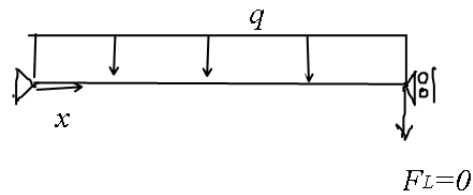
$$M_{12} = \mu(2 * 0.211324865405187 * 0.788675134594813) \times (x_2 - x_1)/2 \times 1 = \mu(x_2 - x_1)/6 \bigg|$$

Again, the two-point Gaussian quadrature integrates the mass matrix element exactly.

Panel 1

## Exercise 28-a

Compute the solution to the problem described in section 3.2 by hand.



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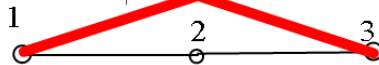
Panel 2

The basis functions (= test functions)

The locations of the nodes

$i$	$x_i$
1	0
2	$L/2$
3	$L$

$$N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3}$$



$$N_3(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$



By convention we draw the function above the x-axis when it is positive.

2

Panel 3

The first task is to construct the equations to be solved for the unknown displacements. This means computing the elements of the stiffness matrix and the elements of the load vector.

$$N_j(L)F_L - \sum_{i=1}^N K_{ji}w_i + \int_0^L N_j q \, dx = 0, \quad j = 2, \dots, N, \quad (3.1)$$

which may be arranged in matrix form as

$$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{L}, \quad (3.2)$$

where  $\mathbf{K}$  is a square  $(N-1) \times (N-1)$  matrix collecting  $K_{ji}$ ,  $i, j = 2, \dots, N$ . The column matrix  $\mathbf{d}$  collects the degrees of freedom  $d_k = w_{k+1}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, N-1$ . The column matrix  $\mathbf{L}$  is the load vector, with components

$$L_k = N_{k+1}(L)F_L - K_{k+1,1}w_1 + \int_0^L N_{k+1} q \, dx = 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, N-1. \quad (3.3)$$

3

Panel 4

First the load vector. Note that  $F_L = 0$  |  $w_1 = 0$

1, ..., N - 1. The column matrix  $\mathbf{L}$  is the load vector, with components

$$L_k = N_{k+1}(L)F_L - K_{k+1,1}w_1 + \int_0^L N_{k+1} q \, dx = 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, N-1. \quad (3.3)$$

Note that the use of the Simpson's rule means that all the integrals will be evaluated exactly since they are at most linear polynomials. Therefore we can evaluate the integrals here analytically, and the result will be identical to that computed with a finite element program in section 3.2.

So for the load vector we obtain

$$L_1 = \int_0^L q N_2(x) \, dx = q(x_3 - x_1)/2 = qL/2$$

$$L_2 = \int_0^L q N_3(x) \, dx = q(x_3 - x_2)/2 = qL/4$$

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Panel 5

For the stiffness matrix coefficients we have

$$K_{ji} = \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta_j}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} dx, \quad (2.16)$$

$$K_{22} = \int_0^L N'_2(x) P N'_2(x) dx = \left| \int_0^{L/2} \frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} P \frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} dx + \int_{L/2}^L \frac{1}{x_2 - x_3} P \frac{1}{x_2 - x_3} dx = \right|$$

Note that the integral splits into two integrals over each element since the expression for the basis function is different from element to element.

$$\int_0^{L/2} \frac{1}{L/2} P \frac{1}{L/2} dx + \int_{L/2}^L \frac{1}{L/2} P \frac{1}{L/2} dx = \frac{2P}{L} + \frac{2P}{L} = \frac{4P}{L}$$

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$$K_{23} = \int_0^L N'_2(x) P N'_3(x) dx = \left| \int_0^{L/2} 0 P \frac{1}{x_3 - x_2} dx + \int_{L/2}^L \frac{1}{x_2 - x_3} P \frac{1}{x_3 - x_2} dx = \right|$$

$$\int_{L/2}^L \frac{-1}{L/2} P \frac{1}{L/2} dx = \frac{-2P}{L}$$

Note that we have the symmetry  $K_{23} = K_{32}$

$$K_{33} = \int_0^L N'_3(x) P N'_3(x) dx = \left| \int_0^{L/2} 0 P 0 dx + \int_{L/2}^L \frac{1}{x_3 - x_2} P \frac{1}{x_3 - x_2} dx = \int_{L/2}^L \frac{1}{L/2} P \frac{1}{L/2} dx = \frac{2P}{L} \right|$$

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Panel 7

Now we can write down the matrix equations

$$\frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} qL/2 \\ qL/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

with the solution

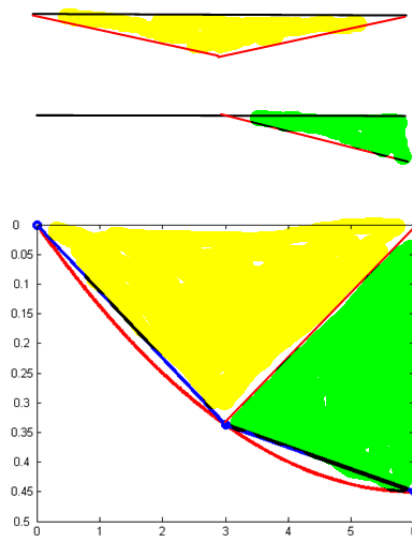
$$\begin{pmatrix} w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{qL^2}{P} \begin{pmatrix} 3/8 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Panel 8

The solution is displayed on the mesh to mimic the shape of the cable. The deflection function is constructed as

$$w(x) = N_2(x)w_2 + N_3(x)w_3$$

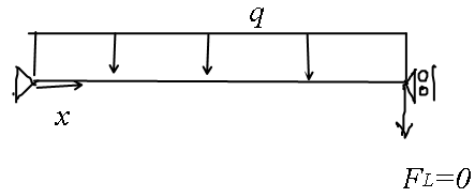


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Panel 1

## Exercise 28-b

Compute the solution to the problem described in section 3.2 by hand. Use the numbering of equations and element-by-element assembly technique.



1

Panel 2

First we will introduce an organizing principle into the definition of the mesh. All elements will be defined by the pair (left-hand side node, right hand side node)

Element	Nodes
1	1,2
2	2,3

Second, we will assign a numbering to the nodal displacements. We start with the displacements that are unknown (sometimes we say free), and then we follow with the displacements that are known (sometimes we say prescribed).

Node	Unknown #
1	3
2	1
3	2

The numbers of the unknowns will determine the numbering of the basis functions.

$N_1(x)$   
 $N_2(x)$

There are two actual unknowns, the deflection at the left-hand side is known to be zero.

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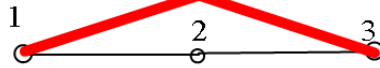
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The basis functions (= test functions)

The locations of the nodes

$i$	$x_i$
1	0
2	$L/2$
3	$L$

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3}$$



$$N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$



By convention we draw the function above the x-axis when it is positive.

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Panel 4

Now the load vector components will be computed element-by-element.

$$L_1 = \int_0^L q N_1(x) dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} q N_1(x) dx + \int_{x_2}^{x_3} q N_1(x) dx$$

The contribution from these integrals is going to be nonzero only if the nodes of the element are associated with the unknown 1; otherwise the contribution is zero.

This suggests that rather than computing the load vector elements as

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Loop over load vector components  $j$ 
  Loop over elements  $e$ 
    Add contribution to component  $j$  from element  $e$ 
  
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we could switch the loops and compute the components of the load vector which are associated with the nodes of the element by looping

Loop over elements  $e$

Add contribution to component  $i$  associated with first node from element  $e$

Add contribution to component  $j$  associated with second node from element  $e$

Element 1:  $N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \Big|_{x_L = x_1, x_R = x_2}$

Only one test function is nonzero over this element. LHS node is associated with prescribed displacement.

The contribution to  $L_1$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} q N_1(x) dx \Big|_{x_L = x_1, x_R = x_2}$$

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$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} q N_1(x) dx \Big|_{x_L = x_2, x_R = x_3} = q(x_R - x_L)/2 = q(x_3 - x_2)/2 = qL/4$$

Element 2:  $x_L = x_2, x_R = x_3$

The contribution to  $L_1$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} q N_1(x) dx = q(x_R - x_L)/2 = q(x_3 - x_2)/2 = qL/4$$

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3} \Big|_{x_L = x_2, x_R = x_3}$$



$$N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2} \Big|_{x_L = x_2, x_R = x_3}$$



The contribution to  $L_1$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} q N_2(x) dx \Big|_{x_L = x_2, x_R = x_3}$$

$$q(x_R - x_L)/2 = q(x_3 - x_2)/2 = qL/4$$

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Panel 7

Now all the contributions from the elements to the load vector components will be added up to yield

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Element 1} \quad \text{Element 2} \\
 \swarrow \quad \searrow \\
 \mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} qL/4 + qL/4 \\ qL/4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} qL/2 \\ qL/4 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \quad \quad \quad \nearrow \\
 \quad \quad \quad \text{Element 2}
 \end{array}$$

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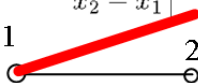
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The components of the stiffness matrix are computed in much the same manner.

Loop over elements  $e$

Add contribution to component  $ii, ij, jj$ , of the stiffness matrix from element  $e$

Element 1:  $x_L = x_1, x_R = x_2$

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$


Only one test function is nonzero over this element. LHS node is associated with prescribed displacement.

The contribution to  $K_{11}$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} N_1'(x) P N_1'(x) dx = \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} P \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} dx = (L/2) \frac{P}{(L/2)^2} = \frac{2P}{L}$$

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Panel 9

There is no contribution to components 12, 22 since the second basis function is zero over element 1.

Element 2:  $x_L = x_2, x_R = x_3$

The contribution to  $K_{11}$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} N_1'(x) P N_1'(x) dx = \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} P \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} dx$$

$$= (L/2) \frac{P}{(L/2)^2} = \frac{2P}{L}$$

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3}$$

$$N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$

The contribution to  $K_{12} = K_{21}$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} N_1'(x) P N_2'(x) dx = \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \frac{1}{x_L - x_R} P \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} dx = (L/2) \frac{P}{-(L/2)^2} = \frac{-2P}{L}$$

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The contribution to  $K_{22}$

$$\int_{x_L}^{x_R} N_2'(x) P N_2'(x) dx = \int_{x_L}^{x_R} \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} P \frac{1}{x_R - x_L} dx = (L/2) \frac{P}{(L/2)^2} = \frac{2P}{L}$$

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3}$$

$$N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$

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Panel 11

Now all the contributions from the elements to the stiffness matrix components will be added up to yield

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Element 1} \quad \quad \quad \text{Element 2} \\
 \swarrow \quad \quad \quad \swarrow \quad \quad \quad \swarrow \\
 \mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\frac{P}{L} + 2\frac{P}{L} & -2\frac{P}{L} \\ -2\frac{P}{L} & 2\frac{P}{L} \end{pmatrix} \\
 \quad \quad \quad \swarrow \quad \quad \quad \swarrow \\
 \quad \quad \quad \text{Element 2}
 \end{array}$$

So you can see that the stiffness matrix and the load vector have the same components as before. The solution has the same values for the deflections at the nodes, except that they are numbered  $w_1, w_2$

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Panel 12

We can do more to streamline the computational procedure. The key is to compute the so-called elementwise stiffness matrix and load vector, and then use the so-called assembly procedure.

To compute the elementwise quantities, we shall consider a generic element with nodes at locations  $x_K, x_M$

The element load vector is defined as

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} q N_K(x) dx \\ \int_{x_K}^{x_M} q N_M(x) dx \end{pmatrix}$$

For uniform load this works out to

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} q N_K(x) dx \\ \int_{x_K}^{x_M} q N_M(x) dx \end{pmatrix} = q(x_M - x_K)/2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 N_K(x) = \frac{x - x_M}{x_K - x_M} \\
 \begin{array}{c} \circ \text{---} \circ \\ K \quad \quad M \end{array} \\
 N_M(x) = \frac{x - x_K}{x_M - x_K} \\
 \begin{array}{c} \circ \text{---} \circ \\ K \quad \quad M \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

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The element stiffness matrix is defined as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N'_K(x) P N'_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N'_K(x) P N'_M(x) dx \\ \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N'_M(x) P N'_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N'_M(x) P N'_M(x) dx \end{pmatrix}$$

We compute

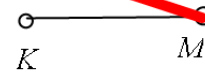
$$\int_{x_K}^{x_M} N'_K(x) P N'_K(x) dx = \frac{P}{x_M - x_K}$$

$$\int_{x_K}^{x_M} N'_K(x) P N'_M(x) dx = \frac{-P}{x_M - x_K}$$

and so the elementwise stiffness matrix is

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{P}{x_M - x_K} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$N_K(x) = \frac{x - x_M}{x_K - x_M}$$



$$N_M(x) = \frac{x - x_K}{x_M - x_K}$$



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Panel 14

To compute the stiffness matrix for the third time, we will loop over the elements, compute the element stiffness matrix, and assemble it into the global stiffness matrix for the entire structure.

Initially, the global stiffness matrix is empty (zero matrix).

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Element 1:  $x_K = x_1, x_M = x_2 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

Equation numbers

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$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} & \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{1} \\ 1 & -1 & \\ -1 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{matrix} \quad \text{Equation numbers}$$

Now *assemble* it

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2P}{L} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\text{Element 2: } x_K = x_2, x_M = x_3 \mid \quad x_M - x_K = (L/2) \mid$$

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{2} \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{2} \end{matrix} \quad \text{Equation numbers}$$

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Panel 17

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{Equation numbers} \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix}$$

Now *assemble* it

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2P}{L} + \frac{2P}{L} & -\frac{2P}{L} \\ -\frac{2P}{L} & \frac{2P}{L} \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow K = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2P}{L} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Panel 18

To compute the load vector, we will loop over the elements, compute the element load vector, and assemble it into the global load vector for the entire structure.

Initially, the global load vector is empty (zero matrix).

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Element 1:  $x_K = x_1, x_M = x_2 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$

$$L^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$L^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{Equation numbers} \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \bigg| \begin{matrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{matrix} \quad \text{Equation numbers}$$

Now *assemble* it

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{4} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \longleftarrow \quad \mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \bigg|$$

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$$\text{Element 2:} \quad x_K = x_2, x_M = x_3 \quad \bigg| \quad x_M - x_K = (L/2)$$

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \bigg|$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \bigg| \begin{matrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{2} \end{matrix} \quad \text{Equation numbers}$$

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$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \left| \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{2} \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{c} \text{Equation numbers} \end{array}$$

Now *assemble* it

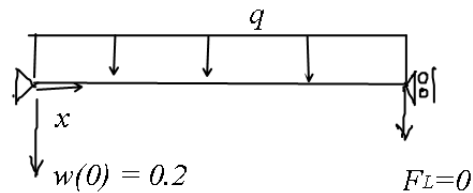
$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{4} + \frac{qL}{4} \\ \frac{qL}{4} \end{pmatrix} \longleftarrow \mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{4} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



Panel 1

## Exercise 28-c

Extend the problem described in section 3.2 by prescribed support settlement at the left-hand side pin. Solve by hand using the technique of partitioned global system.



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Panel 2

Here is the definition of the mesh.

Element	Nodes
1	1,2
2	2,3

We will assign the following numbering to the nodal displacements. We start with the displacements that are unknown (sometimes we say free), and then we follow with the displacements that are known (sometimes we say prescribed).

Node	Unknown #	The numbers of the unknowns will determine the numbering of the basis functions.
1	3	
2	1	
3	2	

2

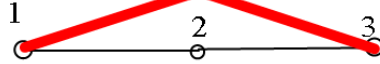
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The basis functions (= test functions)

The locations of the nodes

$i$	$x_i$
1	0
2	$L/2$
3	$L$

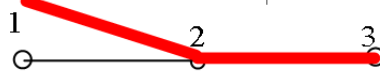
$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3}$$



$$N_2(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_3 - x_2}$$



$$N_3(x) = \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2}$$



Note that we are including the third basis function so that we can compute the load and stiffness.

By convention we draw the function above the x-axis when it is positive.

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Panel 4

Element 1

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers} \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$L^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers} \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$$

Element 2

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers} \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix}$$

$$L^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers} \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{matrix}$$

Global stiffness and load vector

Displacement

$$K = \frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad L = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{4} \\ \frac{qL}{4} + F_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

4

Panel 5

The global system of equations is written as

$$\frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{2} \\ \frac{qL}{4} \\ \frac{qL}{4} + F_0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \bullet = \text{unknown}$$

As the partitioning by the red lines indicates, the global system may be broken up into two parts:

The first part can be used to solve for the unknown displacements

$$\frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = - \frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} w_3 + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{2} \\ \frac{qL}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

Support settlement load
Distributed load

while the second part can be used to solve for the reactions

$$F_0 = \frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} -2 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{qL}{4}$$

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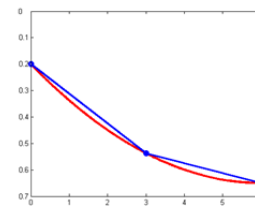
The displacement due to the distributed load of only was already obtained in exercise 28-a...

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{qL^2}{P} \begin{pmatrix} 3/8 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} w_3 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

...to which we add the contribution of the support settlement

The reaction at  $x=0$  is easily obtained as

$$F_0 = \frac{P}{L}(-2) \left( \frac{qL^2}{P}(3/8) + w_3 \right) + \frac{P}{L}(2)w_3 - \frac{qL}{4} = -qL$$

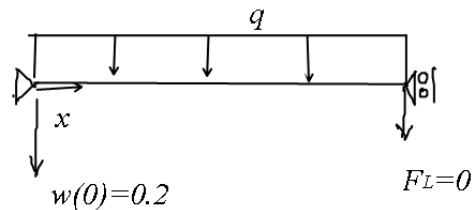


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Panel 1

## Exercise 28-d

Extend the problem described in section 3.2 by prescribed support settlement at the left-hand side pin. Solve by hand using the technique of elementwise support-settlement loads.



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Panel 2

Here is the definition of the mesh.

Element	Nodes
1	1,2
2	2,3

We will assign the following numbering to the nodal displacements. We start with the displacements that are unknown (sometimes we say free), and then we follow with the displacements that are known (sometimes we say prescribed).

Node	Unknown #	The numbers of the unknowns will determine the numbering of the basis functions.
1	3	
2	1	
3	2	

2

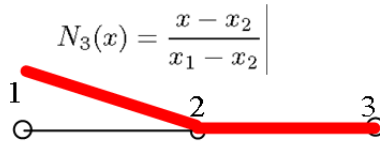
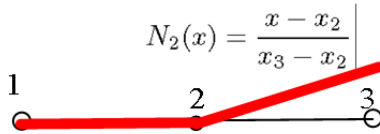
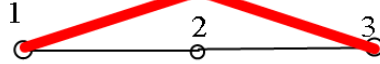
Panel 3

The basis functions (= test functions)

The locations of the nodes

$i$	$x_i$
1	0
2	$L/2$
3	$L$

$$N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad N_1(x) = \frac{x - x_3}{x_2 - x_3}$$



Note that we are including the third basis function so that we can compute the load and stiffness.

By convention we draw the function above the x-axis when it is positive.

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Panel 4

The global stiffness matrix is assembled as an exercise 28-b from elementwise stiffness matrices.

Element 1:  $x_K = x_1, x_M = x_2 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers} \\ \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{matrix}$$

Element 2:  $x_K = x_2, x_M = x_3 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{2} \\ \mathbf{2} & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers} \\ \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{2} \end{matrix}$$

4

Panel 5

The Elementwise loads due to the distributed load are also assembled as before.

$$\text{Element 1: } x_K = x_1, x_M = x_2 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{Equation numbers} \\ \swarrow \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Element 2: } x_K = x_2, x_M = x_3 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$$

The elements of the elementwise stiffness matrix are assembled using the equation numbers associated with the nodes.

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = \frac{qL}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{2} \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{Equation numbers} \\ \swarrow \end{matrix}$$

5

Panel 6

The support-settlement loads are the novelty here. From exercise 28-c we see that the prescribed displacements multiply columns of the global stiffness matrix which are moved on to the right-hand side as loads. Therefore, we note that we can do this multiplication directly on the element stiffness matrices, and assemble the resulting load vectors.

$$\text{Element 1: } x_K = x_1, x_M = x_2 \mid x_M - x_K = (L/2)$$

The elementwise stiffness matrix is multiplied by  $w_1$  as an unknown displacement, and by  $w_3$  as a prescribed displacements.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{vmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{Equation numbers} \\ \swarrow \end{matrix}$$

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Panel 7

The first column will become the load (with a negative sign -- we are moving it onto the right hand side)

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \overset{w_3}{\mathbf{3}} & \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{1} & -1 \\ -1 & \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers}$$

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = -\frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} w_3 \begin{matrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{matrix} \leftarrow \text{Equation numbers}$$

Element 2: No displacement on element 2 is prescribed -- there is no support settlement load generated on this element.

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Panel 8

In this way we arrive at the same global system of equations as in exercise 28-b

$$\frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = - \frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} w_3 + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{qL}{2} \\ \frac{qL}{4} \end{pmatrix}$$

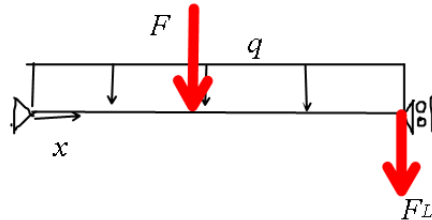
Support settlement load
Distributed load

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Panel 1

## Exercise 28-e

Formulate the boundary value problem for the prestressed cable so that it would allow for intermediate concentrated forces.

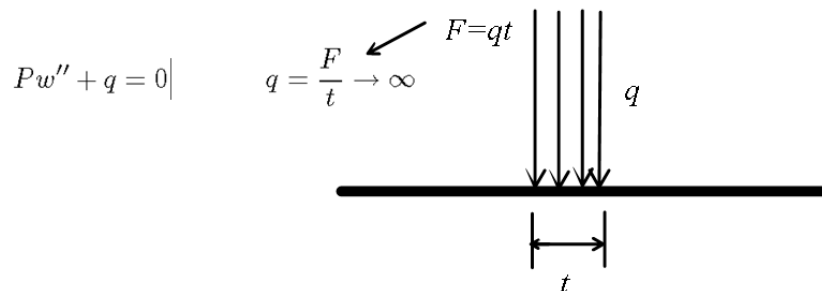


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Panel 2

The reason we need to modify the deformation of the boundary value problem is that under a concentrated force the second derivative of the deflection (that is the curvature of the cable) is infinite.

We can easily convince ourselves that this is the case if we consider the concentrated force to be the limit of an infinitely narrow distributed load, whose magnitude is adjusted to generate a given nonzero force.



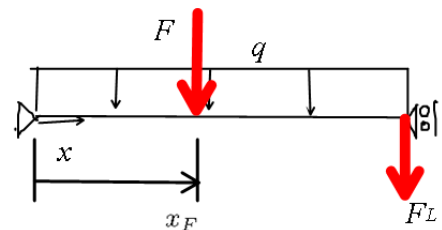
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Therefore, since we must avoid taking the second derivative at the location of the concentrated force, we will assume that the equation of the equilibrium holds everywhere in between concentrated forces. Consequently, the length of the cable needs to be divided into segments in between the locations of the concentrated forces. For simplicity we assume there is only one concentrated force present, but the derivation will be applicable also for a different number of concentrated forces.

The Differential equilibrium equation holds in the two intervals

$$Pw'' + q = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq x < x_F \\ x_F < x < L \end{array}$$


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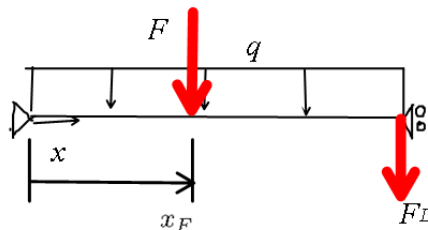
The point  $x = x_F$  is then as special as the boundaries of the cable. As with the boundary of the cable, the differential equation of equilibrium does not hold at that point, and additional equations are required in order to construct a solution of the boundary value problem.

Since we've broken up the original cable length into two pieces, each of which has the boundary consisting of two points, we would expect to have to write down to equations at the additional "boundary point"  $x = x_F$

The obvious equation is the continuity of the deflection.

$$w(x_F^-) = w(x_F^+)$$

Here by  $x_F^-$  we mean immediately to the left of  $x_F$   
 $x_F^+$  we mean immediately to the right of  $x_F$

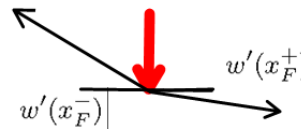


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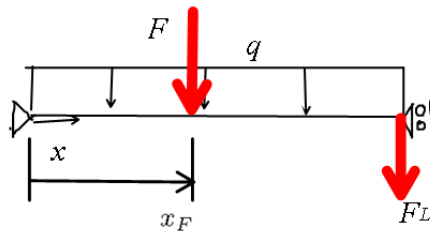
Continuity of slope does not hold, however. The reason is the presence of the concentrated force which needs to balance with tensile forces in the cable.

Writing that equilibrium of an infinitesimally small segment including the point of application of the concentrated force gives



$$Pw'(x_F^+) + F - Pw'(x_F^-) = 0$$

Note that this equation very much resembles the natural boundary condition (1.3). There is nothing accidental about this resemblance, and intermediate forces are treated exactly as boundary conditions in the finite element model.



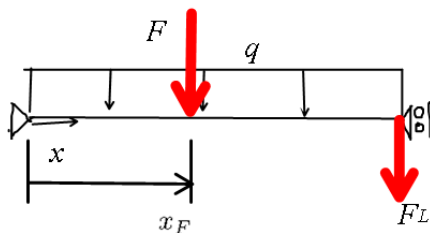
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The boundary value problem is defined as:

The differential equilibrium equation holds in the two intervals

$$Pw'' + q = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} 0 \leq x < x_F \\ x_F < x < L \end{array}$$



We have the two boundary conditions

$$w(0) = 0 \quad F_L - Pw'(L) = 0$$

and the two continuity conditions

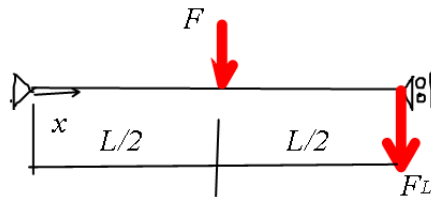
$$w(x_F^-) = w(x_F^+) \quad Pw'(x_F^+) + F - Pw'(x_F^-) = 0$$

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## Exercise 28-f

Solve by hand the boundary value problem for the prestressed cable using a mesh of two L2 finite elements.



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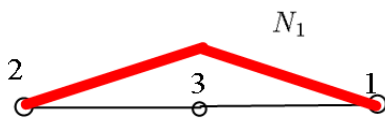
*We change a little bit the mesh with the respect to the exercise 28-b.*

The locations of the nodes

$i$	$x_i$
1	$L$
2	$0$
3	$L/2$

Element	Nodes
1	2,3
2	3,1

Node	Equation #
1	1
2	3
3	2



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The global stiffness matrix is assembled from elementwise stiffness matrices as

$$\text{Element 1} \quad \mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{matrix} \quad \text{Element 2} \quad \mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$$

Global stiffness matrix

$$\mathbf{K} = \frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

The global load vector is assembled directly from the applied forces. Force  $F_L$  is applied to node 1 (equation #1), force  $F$  is applied to node 3 (equation #2).

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} F_L \\ F \end{pmatrix}$$

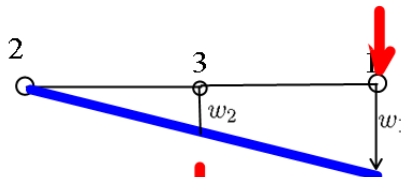
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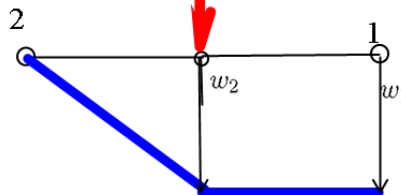
The displacement is  $\mathbf{d} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{L}{P} \begin{pmatrix} F_L + F/2 \\ F_L/2 + F/2 \end{pmatrix}$

It will be instructive to consider the results in terms of a superposition.

First consider  $F_L \neq 0, F = 0$



Next, consider  $F_L = 0, F \neq 0$



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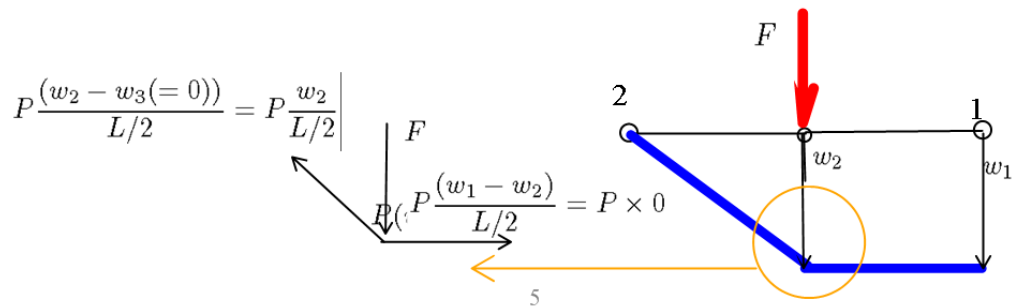
Check the vertical equilibrium:

$$F_L \neq 0, F = 0$$



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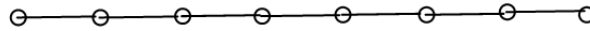
$$F_L = 0, F \neq 0$$



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## Exercise 30-a

Demonstrate the sparseness of the stiffness matrix constructed for a mesh of seven L2 finite elements.



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The global stiffness matrix is assembled from elementwise stiffness matrices as

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Element 1} & \mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{3} & \mathbf{2} \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{3} \\ \mathbf{2} \end{matrix} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ll} \text{Element 2} & \mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{2P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{2} & \mathbf{1} \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{2} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{matrix} \end{array}$$

Global stiffness matrix

$$\mathbf{K} = \frac{P}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

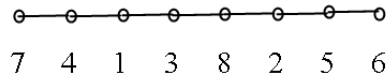
The global load vector is assembled directly from the applied forces. Force  $F_L$  is applied to node 1 (equation #1), force  $F$  is applied to node 3 (equation #2).

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} F_L \\ F \end{pmatrix}$$

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Panel 3

First we will use a random numbering up the nodes. The equation numbers will be taken the same as the numbers of the nodes. (Note that we are ignoring the boundary conditions: if there were prescribed displacements at the ends of the cable, we would number those nodes last.)



The element stiffness matrix is for all elements the same

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{P}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

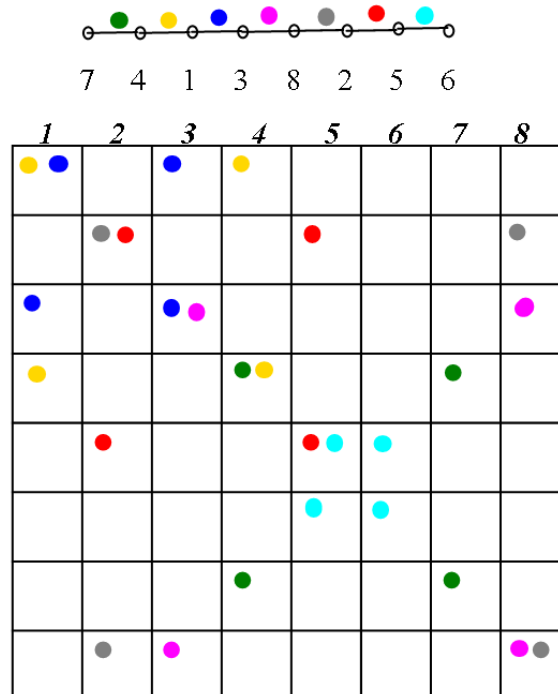
Here  $h$  is the element length, which is the same for all elements.

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The elements are indicated by color. Their 2x2 stiffness matrices are assembled using the equation numbers.

Note that the stiffness matrix is very sparse: wherever a box is empty it holds a zero.



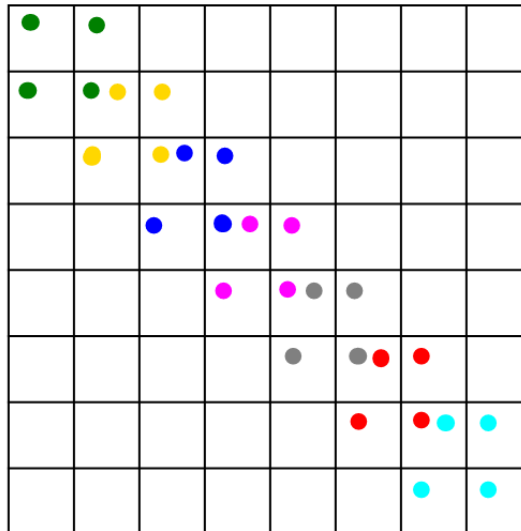
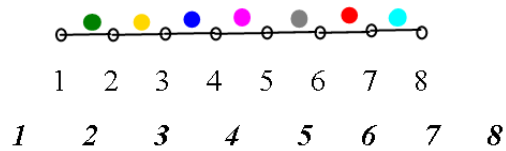
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Now we are going to switch to a natural numbering, left-to-right.

Here the structure of the stiffness matrix is as good as it gets (tri-diagonal).

Matrices of this nature are called **banded** since the non-zeros occur only in a band along the diagonal.

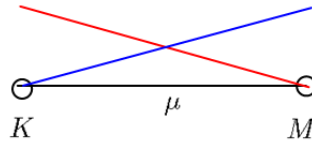




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## Exercise 32-a

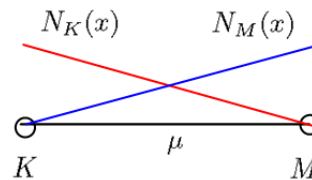
Compute the elementwise mass matrix for the L2 finite element using one-point Gaussian quadrature.



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Panel 2

The mass matrix elements that represent the elementwise interactions of the test function and the trial basis functions are represented by this matrix:



$$M^{(e)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_M(x) dx \\ \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_M(x) dx \end{pmatrix}$$

For simplicity we can assume here that the mass density is constant on each finite element.

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The quadrature formula (2.26) for the one-point Gaussian quadrature uses the following table

$k$	$\xi_k$	$W_k$
1	0	2

For instance, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_K(x) dx &\approx \sum_k \overbrace{(N_M(\xi_k) \mu N_K(\xi_k))}^{\text{Integrand}} \underbrace{\left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right)}_{\text{Jacobian}} \overbrace{(W_k)}^{\text{Weight}} \\
 &= (1/2) \mu (1/2) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 2 = \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

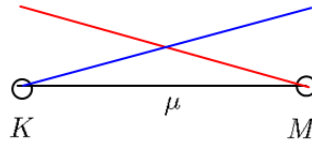
The elementwise mass matrix obtained from one-point Gaussian quadrature

$$M^{(e)} = \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Exercise 32-b

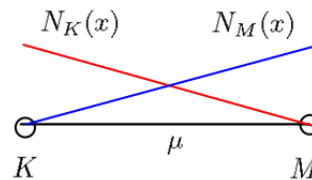
Compute the elementwise mass matrix for the L2 finite element using Simpson's quadrature.



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Panel 2

The mass matrix elements that represent the elementwise interactions of the test function and the trial basis functions are represented by this matrix:



$$M^{(e)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_M(x) dx \\ \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_M(x) dx \end{pmatrix}$$

For simplicity we can assume here that the mass density is constant on each finite element.

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Panel 3

The quadrature formula (2.26) for the Simpson's quadrature uses the following table

$k$	$\xi_k$	$W_k$
1	-1	1/3
2	0	4/3
3	+1	1/3

We have

$$\int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_K(x) dx \approx \sum_k \underbrace{(N_M(\xi_k) \mu N_K(\xi_k))}_{\text{Integrand}} \underbrace{\left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right)}_{\text{Jacobian}} \underbrace{(W_k)}_{\text{Weight}}$$

Note that for  $k=1$  and  $k=3$  we have one of the basis functions in the product be equal to zero. Therefore, for this case the quadrature formula gives

$$= (1/2) \mu (1/2) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 4/3 := \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{6}$$

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For the diagonal elements we have for instance

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_K(x) dx \approx \\ &= (1) \mu (1) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 1/3 + (1/2) \mu (1/2) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 4/3 + (0) \mu (0) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 1/3 \\ &= \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{3} \end{aligned}$$

and the same result is obtained for  $\int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_M(x) dx$

As a result, the elementwise mass matrix is obtained as

$$\mathbf{M}^{(e)} = \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

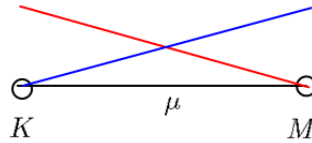
Since the product of two piecewise linear basis functions is a quadratic function, the Simpson's rule will be able to give us an exact integration, so this mass matrix coincides with the analytically integrated answer.

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## Exercise 32-c

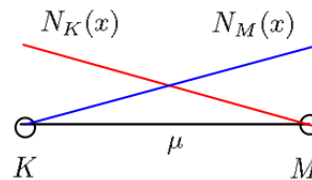
Compute the elementwise mass matrix for the L2 finite element using trapezoidal-rule quadrature.



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Panel 2

The mass matrix elements that represent the elementwise interactions of the test function and the trial basis functions are represented by this matrix:



$$M^{(e)} = \begin{pmatrix} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_M(x) dx \\ \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_K(x) dx & \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_M(x) dx \end{pmatrix}$$

For simplicity we can assume here that the mass density is constant on each finite element.

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Panel 3

The quadrature formula (2.26) for the Simpson's quadrature uses the following table

$k$	$\xi_k$	$W_k$
1	-1	1
2	+1	1

We have

$$\int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_K(x) dx \approx \sum_k \underbrace{(N_M(\xi_k) \mu N_K(\xi_k))}_{\text{Integrand}} \underbrace{\left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right)}_{\text{Jacobian}} \underbrace{(W_k)}_{\text{Weight}}$$

Note that for both  $k=1$  and  $k=2$  we have one of the basis functions in the product be equal to zero. Therefore, for this case the quadrature formula gives

$$= 0$$

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For the diagonal elements we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_K(x) \mu N_K(x) dx &\approx \\ &= (1) \mu (1) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 1 + (0) \mu (0) \left( \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \right) 1 = \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and the same result is obtained for  $\int_{x_K}^{x_M} N_M(x) \mu N_M(x) dx$

As a result, the elementwise mass matrix is obtained as

$$\mathbf{M}^{(e)} = \mu \frac{x_M - x_K}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

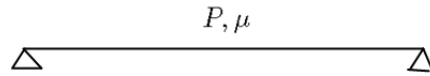
Note that the elementwise mass matrix is **diagonal**. Assembling diagonal mass matrices into the global mass matrix will make also the global mass matrix diagonal. Some solution techniques derive their efficiency from the mass matrix being diagonal (the so-called **explicit time-stepping**).

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## Exercise 33-a

Find analytically the free vibration modes and frequencies for a simply supported cable with uniform mass density.



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Panel 2

The Initial Boundary Value Problem (IBVP) is written as

$$Pw'' = \mu\ddot{w} \quad w(0) = 0, w(L) = 0$$

We will use the technique of separation: the displacement function will be sought as a product that separates space and time

$$w(x, t) = \phi(x)\psi(t)$$

The first function describes the *shape* of the cable, the second function gives it a *variation in time*.

Substituting, we obtain

$$P\phi''(x)\psi(t) = \mu\phi(x)\ddot{\psi}(t)$$

When this is rewritten as

$$(P/\mu)\phi''(x)/\phi(x) = \ddot{\psi}(t)/\psi(t)$$

we realize that the ratios of the functions on either side must be constants since on the left-hand side we have a function of the space coordinate, while on the right-hand side we have a function of the time.

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Functions whose second derivatives are proportional to themselves are the exponentials. Therefore we shall assume

$$\phi(x) = A \exp(\lambda x) \quad \psi(t) = B \exp(\beta t)$$

where the constants may be in general complex. (But the functions themselves must come out real; we will use this fact presently.)

Upon substitution into

$$(P/\mu)\phi''(x)/\phi(x) = \ddot{\psi}(t)/\psi(t)$$

we obtain the following relationship between the constants

$$(P/\mu)\lambda^2 = \beta^2$$

Using the Euler identity  $\exp(\lambda x) = \exp(\operatorname{Re}\lambda x) (\cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x) + i \sin(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x))$  we can write for the function that describes the shape of the cable

$$\phi(x) = A \exp(\lambda x) = (\operatorname{Re}A + i\operatorname{Im}A) \exp(\operatorname{Re}\lambda x) (\cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x) + i \sin(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x))$$

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which simplifies to

$$\phi(x) = \exp(\operatorname{Re}\lambda x) (\operatorname{Re}A \cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x) - \operatorname{Im}A \sin(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x))$$

since the resulting function must be real.

By inspection of the boundary conditions it is clear that only the sine function is admissible. It satisfies the boundary condition at  $x=0$ , and it can also satisfy the boundary condition at  $x=L$  if

$$\sin(\operatorname{Im}\lambda L) = 0$$

from where it follows

$$\operatorname{Im}\lambda = k\pi/L \quad k=1,2,3,\dots$$

(We discount the possibility of  $k=0$ : the cable would not deflect at all.)

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This result is substituted into  $(P/\mu)\lambda^2 = \beta^2$   
to yield

$$\begin{aligned}(P/\mu)\lambda^2 &= (P/\mu) ((\operatorname{Re}\lambda)^2 - (\operatorname{Im}\lambda)^2 + 2i\operatorname{Re}\lambda\operatorname{Im}\lambda) = \\ \beta^2 &= ((\operatorname{Re}\beta)^2 - (\operatorname{Im}\beta)^2 + 2i\operatorname{Re}\beta\operatorname{Im}\beta)\end{aligned}\quad (*)$$

At this point we realize that the time-dependence function  $\psi(t)$  should represent harmonic (sinusoidal) motion. Therefore we must require that

$$\operatorname{Re}\beta = 0$$

Going back to the (\*) equation, it immediately follows that

$$\operatorname{Re}\lambda = 0$$

so that finally we conclude

$$(P/\mu)(\operatorname{Im}\lambda)^2 = (\operatorname{Im}\beta)^2$$

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As is the convention, we shall call

$$\operatorname{Im}\beta = \omega$$

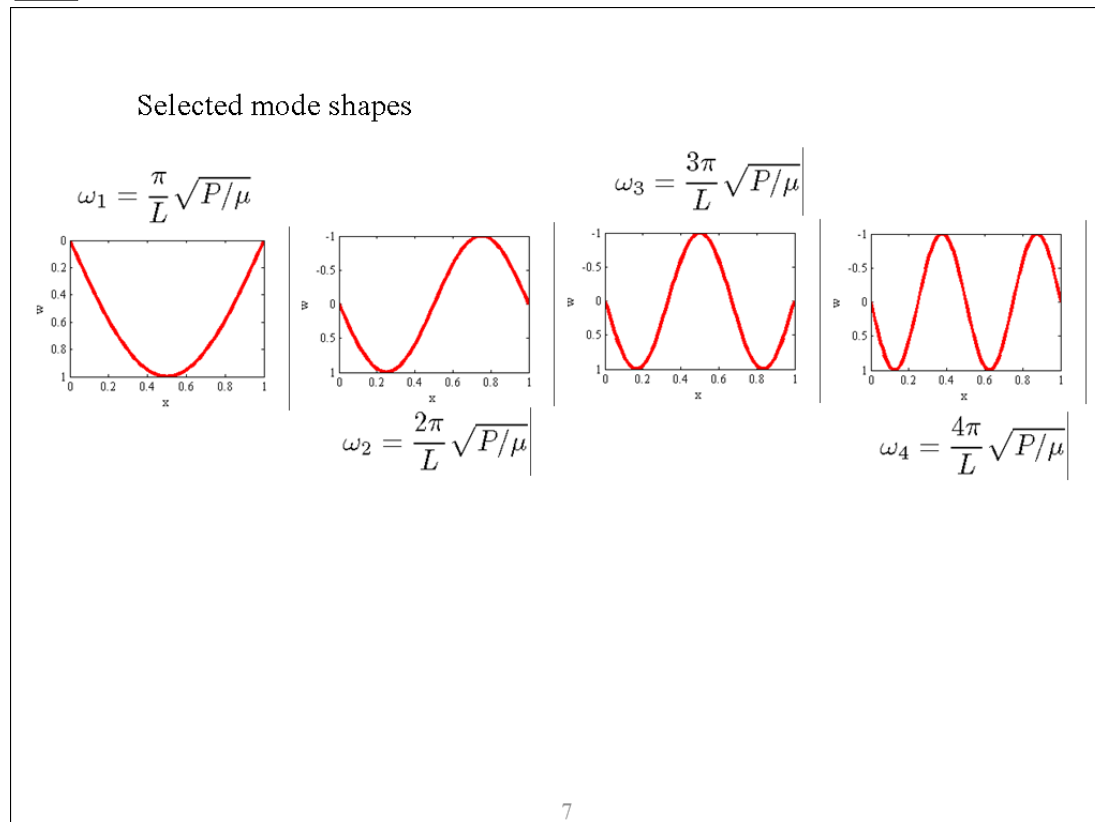
In this way we arrive at the relationship that defines the natural frequencies of vibration

$$\omega = \frac{k\pi}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu} \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Remark: In order to solve the initial boundary value problem completely, we could consider initial conditions in order to determine all the constants involved. Since we are interested in the so-called steady-state free harmonic motion, we do not need the precise time dependence, and for instance taking a cosine time variation is adequate.

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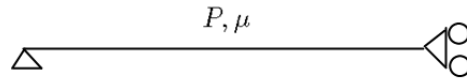
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## Exercise 33-b

Find analytically the free vibration modes and frequencies for a simply-supported/roller cable with uniform mass density.



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Panel 2

The Initial Boundary Value Problem (IBVP) is written as

$$Pw'' = \mu \ddot{w} \quad w(0) = 0, w'(L) = 0$$

In the same way as an exercise 33-a we will construct the solution for the displacement as

$$w(x, t) = \phi(x)\psi(t)$$

The next few steps are identical to those of exercise 33-a.

We arrive at

$$\phi(x) = \exp(\operatorname{Re}\lambda x) (\operatorname{Re}A \cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x) - \operatorname{Im}A \sin(\operatorname{Im}\lambda x))$$

as before. The boundary conditions are different, however.

As before, the sine function is admissible as it satisfies the boundary condition at  $x=0$ , and it can also satisfy the boundary condition at  $x=L$  if

$$w'(L) = \phi'(L) = \exp(\operatorname{Re}\lambda L) \operatorname{Im}A \cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda L) = 0 \longrightarrow \cos(\operatorname{Im}\lambda L) = 0$$

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It follows that

$$\operatorname{Im}\lambda = \frac{(k - \frac{1}{2})\pi}{L} \quad k=1,2,3,\dots$$

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Panel 4

This result is substituted into  $(P/\mu)\lambda^2 = \beta^2$

and as before we find

$$\operatorname{Re}\beta = 0 \quad \operatorname{Re}\lambda = 0$$

and

$$(P/\mu)(\operatorname{Im}\lambda)^2 = (\operatorname{Im}\beta)^2$$

As before, we shall call

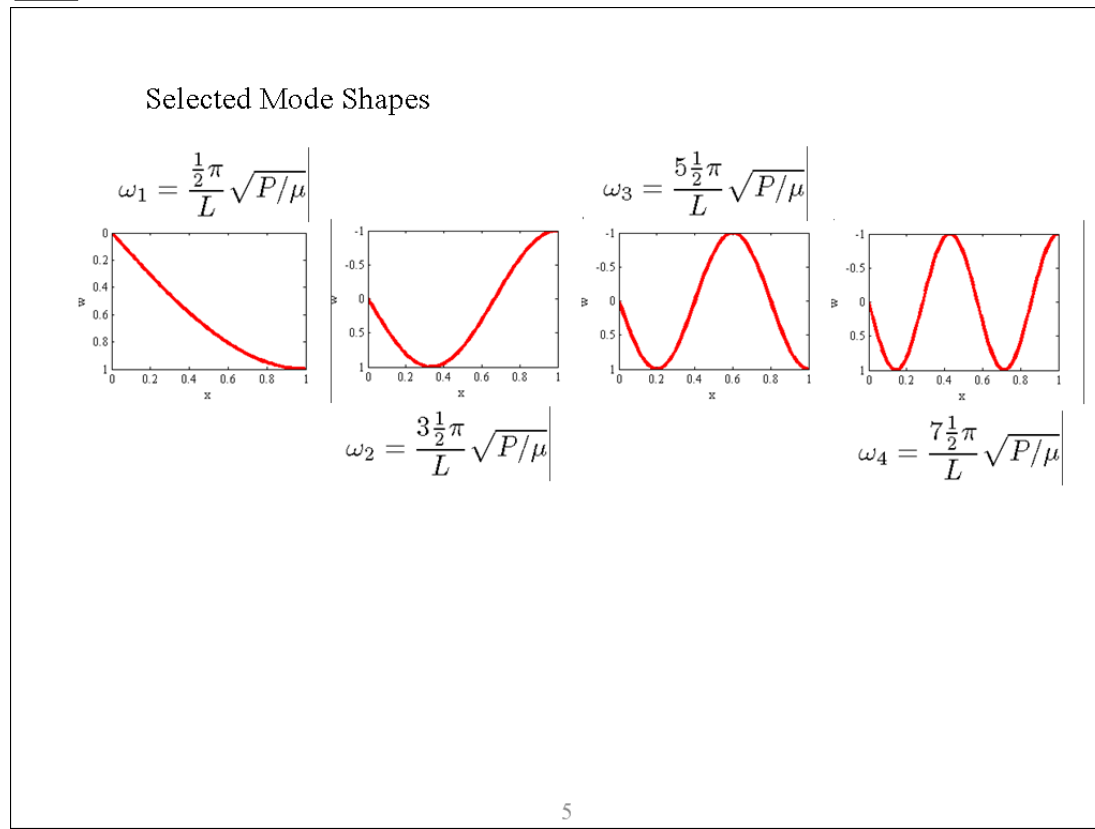
$$\operatorname{Im}\beta = \omega$$

and we arrive at the relationship that defines the natural frequencies of vibration

$$\omega = \frac{(k - \frac{1}{2})\pi}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu} \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

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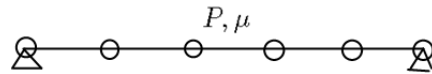
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## Exercise 33-c

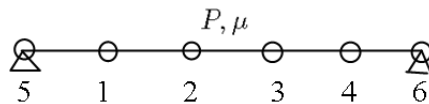
Find the free vibration modes and frequencies for a simply supported cable with uniform mass density using a mesh of five L2 finite elements. Use the trapezoidal integration rule.



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Panel 2

We shall design the mesh as follows (as an example: we could have chosen a different numbering). Note that we have made sure the nodes associated with supports are a numbered last.



The element length is  $h=L/5$

The elementwise stiffness matrix is evaluated exactly with the trapezoidal rule.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{P}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

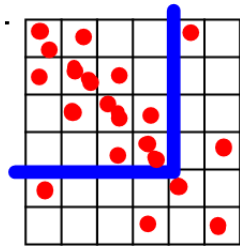
The elementwise mass matrix is diagonal with the trapezoidal rule. (See exercise 32-c.)

$$\mathbf{M}^{(e)} = \frac{\mu h}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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The structure of the global stiffness matrix is easily established by graphically assembling the elementwise stiffness matrix. Each red dot corresponds to  $(+/-)P/h$ .

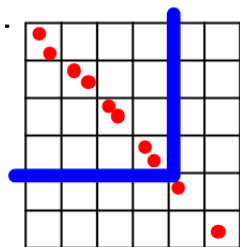


The block corresponding to actual unknowns is indicated in blue.

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Similarly for the structure of the mass matrix. Each red dot corresponds to  $\mu * h/2$ .



The block corresponding to actual unknowns is indicated in blue.

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Panel 5

With the mass and stiffness matrix at hand, we can solve the eigenvalue problem

$$\mathbf{K}\phi = \omega^2 \mathbf{M}\phi$$

We can solve the eigenvalue problem without specifying the tensile force, the length of the cable and the mass density if we use the following trick: defining the matrices

```
>> Kt=[2,-1, 0, 0;
-1, 2,-1, 0;
0, -1, 2,-1;
0, 0, -1, 2];
Mt=diag( [2,2,2,2] );
```

we can write

$$\mathbf{K}\phi = \omega^2 \mathbf{M}\phi \quad \frac{P}{h} \mathbf{Kt} \phi = \frac{\mu l}{2} \omega^2 \mathbf{Mt} \phi$$

which means that we can solve the eigenvalue problem

$$\mathbf{Kt} \phi = \frac{\mu h^2}{2P} \omega^2 \mathbf{Mt} \phi = \rho^2 \mathbf{Mt} \phi$$

Panel 6

This is easily done with Matlab:

```
>> Kt=[2,-1, 0, 0;
-1, 2,-1, 0;
0, -1, 2,-1;
0, 0, -1, 2];
Mt=diag( [2,2,2,2] );
[V,D]=eig(Kt,Mt)

V =
0.262865556059567 -0.425325404176020 -0.425325404176020 -0.262865556059567
0.425325404176020 -0.262865556059567 0.262865556059567 0.425325404176020
0.425325404176020 0.262865556059567 0.262865556059567 -0.425325404176020
0.262865556059567 0.425325404176020 -0.425325404176020 0.262865556059567
```

D =

```
0.190983005625053      0      0      0
0 0.690983005625053      0      0
0      0 1.309016994374947      0
0      0      0 1.809016994374947
```



Panel 7

This leads to the prediction of the first frequency of free vibration

$$\omega^2 = \frac{2P}{\mu h^2} 0.19098300562505$$

$$\omega = \frac{\sqrt{2 \times 25 \times 0.190983005625053}}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu} = \frac{3.090}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu}$$

This may be compared with the analytical prediction

$$\omega = \frac{\pi}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu}$$

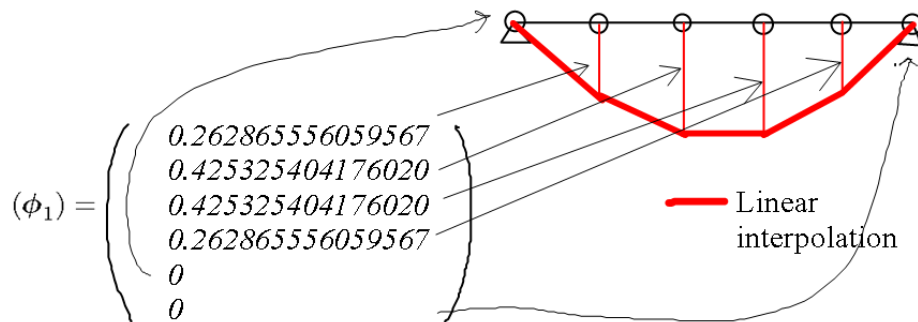
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The first mode of vibration is the first column of the matrix  $V$ .  
The meaning of those numbers is elements of the first eigenvector  $\phi_1$   
which may be visualized by forming the linear combination

$$\sum_j N_j(x)(\phi_1)_j$$

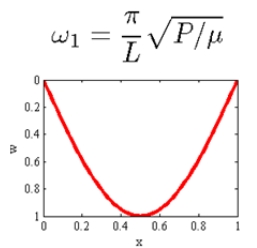
By  $(\phi_1)_j$  we mean the  $j$ -th component of the eigenvector  $\phi_1$



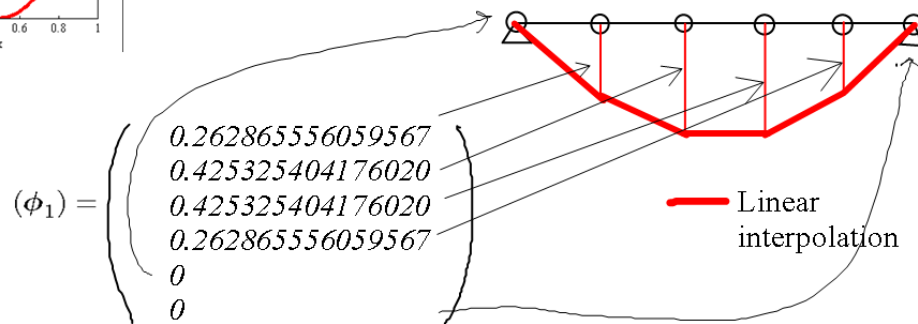
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The finite element results may be compared with the analytical mode shape and frequency



$$\omega = \frac{\sqrt{2 \times 25 \times 0.190983005625053}}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu} = \frac{3.090}{L} \sqrt{P/\mu}$$



Panel 1

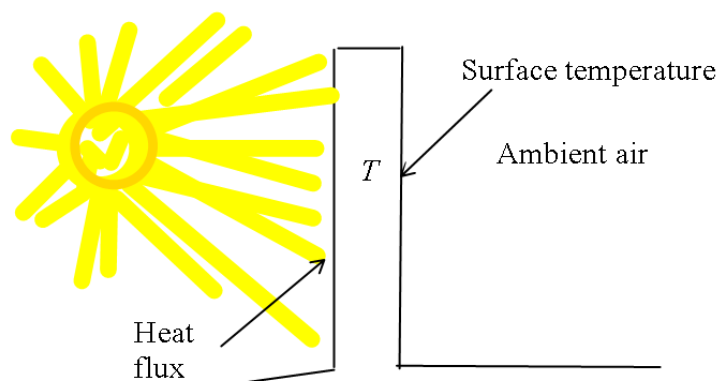
## Exercise 56-a

Formulate the boundary conditions for a control volume for heat conduction through the thickness of a wall of large extent (away from the edges).

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Panel 2

Consider a wall which is large in extent compared to its thickness. Away from the edges of the wall, we can make the observation that the heat flows essentially in the direction of the thickness. For definiteness, take for instance a wall with given heat flux on one side (solar rays), and transfer into ambient air on the other side.



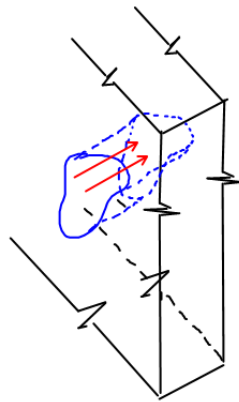
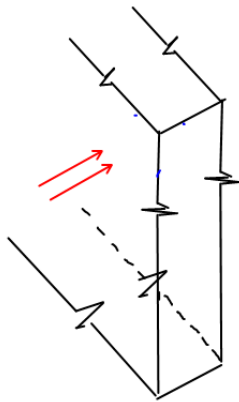
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Panel 3

Away from the edges of the wall, we can make the observation that the heat flows essentially in the direction of the thickness.

Since the heat energy flows through the thickness, drawing a closed curve on one face and projecting it towards the other face perpendicularly to the plane of the wall creates a kind of imagined "pipe" through which the heat flows.

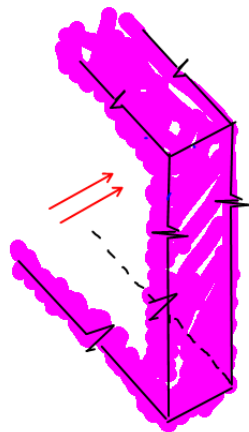
The heat enters one potato-shaped cross-section, travels through the "pipe", and exits the other potato-shaped cross-section. No heat enters or leaves through the cylinder wall (highlighted in green).



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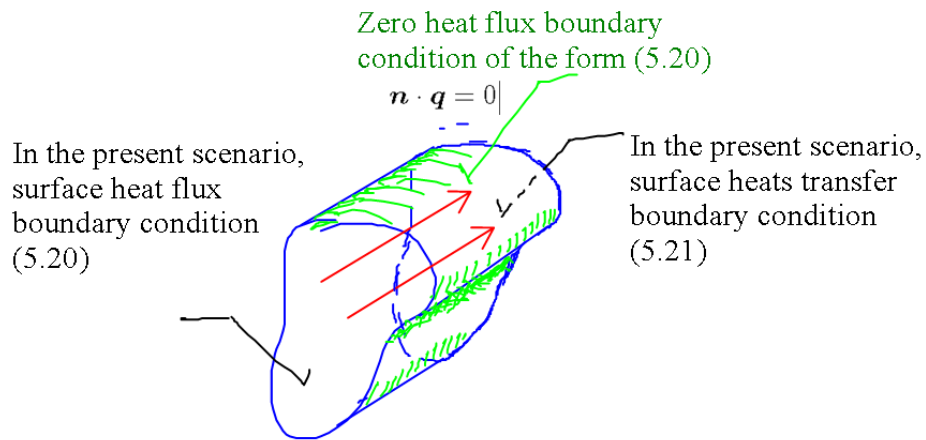
The heat energy flux may be very different around the edges of the wall.



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Panel 5

Here are the boundary conditions on the imaginary "pipe". Note that in the present scenario we consider some specific boundary conditions on the front and back potato shaped cross-section. These would vary from case to case. The boundary condition indicated in green would stay the same.



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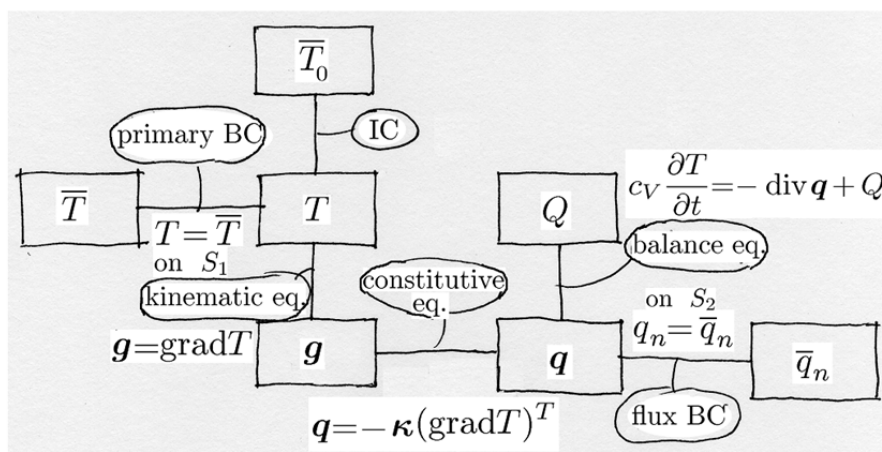
## Exercise 56-b

Compare the Tonti diagram for the heat conduction model with a Tonti diagram for the cable model. More generally, formulate the parallels between the two models.

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Panel 2

### Tonti diagram of the heat conduction IBVP



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Panel 3

Heat conduction IBVP

$$c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \operatorname{div} [\kappa (\operatorname{grad} T)^T] - Q = 0 . \quad (5.18)$$

$$T(\mathbf{x}, t) - \bar{T}(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \text{ on } S_1 . \quad (5.19)$$

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{q} - \bar{q}_n = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \text{ on } S_2 . \quad (5.20)$$

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{q} - h(T - T_a) = 0, \quad \mathbf{x} \text{ on } S_3 , \quad (5.21)$$

$$T(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \bar{T}_0(\mathbf{x}) \quad \mathbf{x} \text{ in } V . \quad (5.22)$$

## Taut wire I.BVP

$$P \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + q = \mu \ddot{w} , \quad (1.1)$$

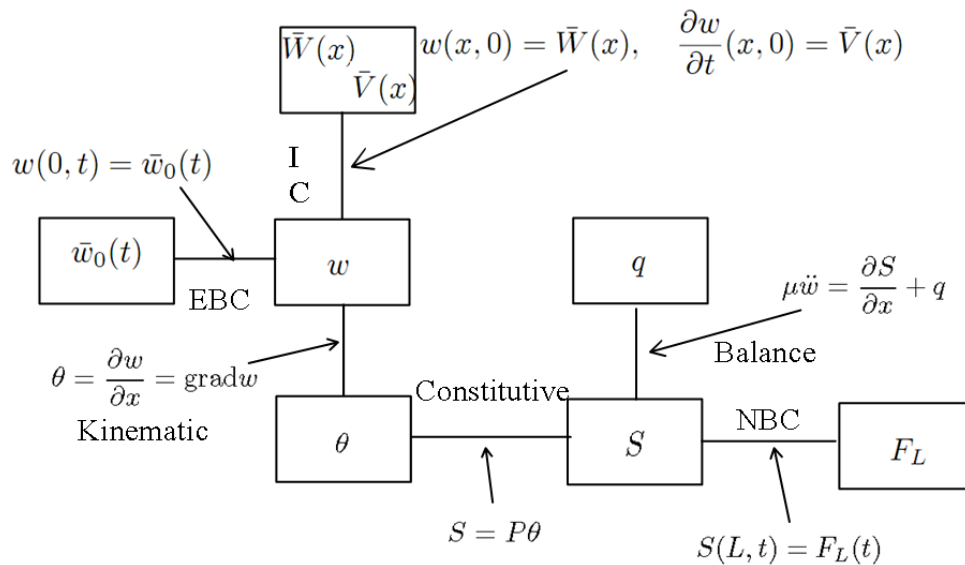
$$w(0, t) = \bar{w}_0(t) . \quad (1.2)$$

$$-P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(L, t) + F_L(t) = 0 . \quad (1.3)$$

$$w(x, 0) = \bar{W}(x), \quad \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}(x, 0) = \bar{V}(x) , \quad (1.4)$$

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Panel 4

**Tonti diagram for the cable model**

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Panel 5

	Heat conduction	Taut wire
Primary variable	Temperature $T$	Deflection $w$
Gradient variable	Temperature gradient $\mathbf{g} = \text{grad}T$	Slope $\theta = \text{grad}w$
Flux variable	Heat flux $\mathbf{q} = -\kappa \mathbf{g}^T$	Transverse force $S = P\theta$



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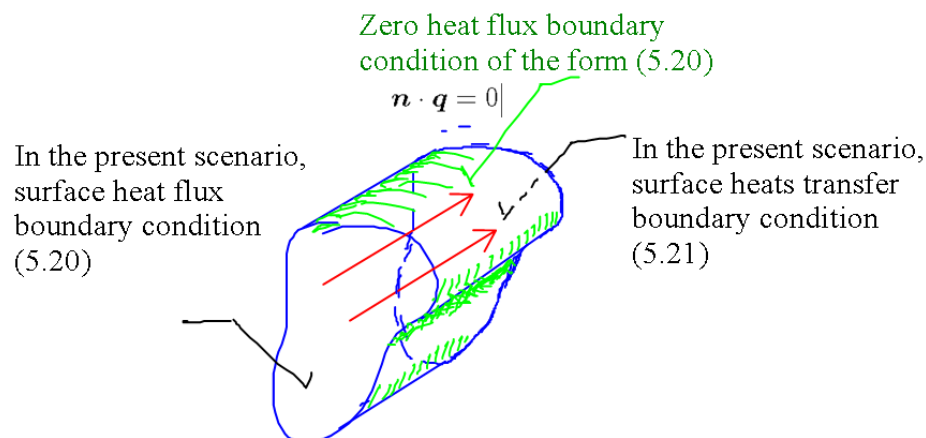
## Exercise 59-a

Formulate a one-independent-coordinate Galerkin model for heat conduction through the thickness of a wall of large extent (away from the edges).

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Panel 2

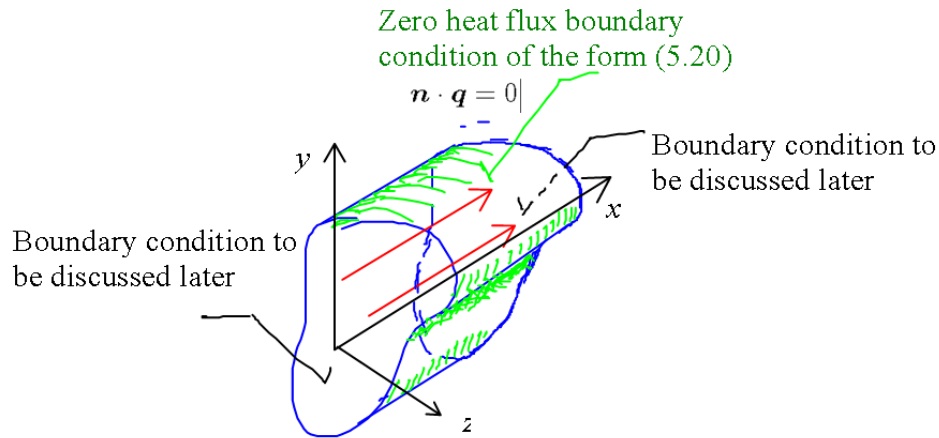
The boundary conditions on the imaginary "pipe". Note that in the present scenario we consider some specific boundary conditions on the front and back potato shaped cross-section. These would vary from case to case. The boundary condition indicated in green would stay the same.



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The boundary conditions on the imaginary "pipe" -- the cylindrical control volume through which the heat flows -- have been discussed in exercise 56-a. Note that the through the thickness coordinate is  $x$ , and the coordinates in the plane of the wall are  $y, z$ .



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Panel 4

We will derive the Galerkin model so that it operates with  $x$  as the only space coordinate. In other words, everything in the Galerkin weighted residual will be independent of  $y$  and  $z$ .

In order to achieve this, we will have to require that the boundary conditions on the faces of the wall and the initial conditions throughout the region be independent of the coordinates  $y$  and  $z$ . For instance, let us assume that at  $x=0$  the temperature is prescribed as a function of time.

$$T(x=0, t) = \bar{T}(x=0, t)$$

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Panel 5

As follows from our physical observation that the heat energy flows only through the thickness of the wall, we must conclude that the temperature field is independent of the coordinates  $y$  and  $z$ . A consequence is that the gradient components of the temperature in the plane of the wall are identically zero

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = 0 \quad \text{everywhere}$$

The constitutive equation links the temperature gradients to the heat fluxes. Also the constitutive equation must not depend on  $y$  and  $z$ . It may depend on the through-the-thickness coordinate. Composite or layered panels may be of this nature.

Since only the  $x$ - component should be nonzero, the constitutive equation must also satisfy

$$q_y = 0, q_z = 0$$

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Panel 6

As we have

$$q_y = -\kappa_{yx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} - \cancel{\kappa_{yy} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}} - \cancel{\kappa_{yz} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z}}$$

zero

$$q_z = -\kappa_{zx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} - \cancel{\kappa_{zy} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}} - \cancel{\kappa_{zz} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z}}$$

zero

the material must satisfy  $\kappa_{yx} = 0, \kappa_{zx} = 0$

All isotropic materials (metals, polymers, concrete and such) satisfy this condition, and many orthotropic materials such as composites or layered structures where the layers are parallel to the plane  $yz$  would also satisfy this condition.

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Panel 7

The two cross sectional areas at  $x=0$  and  $x=L$  (the thickness of the wall is denoted  $L$ ) may be associated with any type of boundary condition, prescribed temperature, heat flux, or surface heat transfer. For simplicity we will include all three possible boundary conditions, even though there are only two surfaces on which they may be applied. This means that if one type of boundary condition is not present, it should be ignored in the formulation.

The starting point for the actual formulation of the Galerkin weighted residual is equation (6.9)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_V \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV + \int_V (\text{grad} \eta) \kappa (\text{grad} T)^T dV - \int_V \eta Q dV \\ + \int_{S_2} \eta \bar{q}_n dS + \int_{S_3} \eta h(T - T_a) dS = 0, \quad \eta(x) = 0 \text{ for } x \in S_1. \end{aligned} \quad (6.9)$$

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Let us take up the first-term: it is a volume integral  $\int_V \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV$

We talked about the thermal conductivity not being a function of  $y$  and  $z$ . The same goes for  $c_V$

If we define the test function to be independent of  $y$  and  $z$ , nothing in the above integral will in fact depend on  $y$  and  $z$ . Therefore, the integrand is constant with the respect to  $y$  and  $z$  and we can write

$$\int_V \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dV = \int_S dS \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx = S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx$$

where  $S$ =the cross-sectional area of the cylindrical control volume.

As only the  $x$ -component of the gradients is nonzero, we can also write

$$\int_V (\text{grad} \eta) \kappa (\text{grad} T)^T dV = S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx$$

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Panel 9

Clearly, the same reasoning may be applied to the surface integrals as well. For instance

$$\int_{S_2} \eta \bar{q}_n dS = S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2}$$

Here  $\eta|_{S_2}, (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2}$  are the test function in the prescribed value of the heat flux on the cross-section where the boundary conditions (5.20) is being prescribed.

The Galerkin formulation using a single independent space coordinate is therefore written as

$$S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx + S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx - S \int_0^L \eta Q dx +$$

$$S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S \eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

Here by  $\eta|_{S_1} = 0$  we mean that the test function must vanish in the cross-section where the temperature is prescribed.

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Note that we still keep the cross-section area  $S$  in the weighted residual expression, even though we could have canceled it. The reason is that it allows us to keep in mind that the equation still models the flow of heat energy through a three-dimensional body. Keeping track of the units is also easier with the cross-sectional area in place (all the expressions are in watts!).

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Panel 1

## Exercise 59-b

Compare the Galerkin models for the vibrating cable and the one-independent-coordinate model of heat conduction.

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Panel 2

The Galerkin formulation of heat conduction using a single independent space coordinate is written as

$$S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx + S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx - S \int_0^L \eta Q dx +$$

$$S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S \eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

Rewriting equation (2.11) (mainly changing the signs, and writing the boundary conditions as at points  $S_1$   $S_2$  in order to allow for supports at either end) yields

$$\int_0^L \eta \mu \ddot{w} dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} dx - \int_0^L \eta q dx - \eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2} = 0,$$

$$\eta|_{S_1} = 0$$



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Panel 3

Now we can compare the two formulations term by term:

$$S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx + S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx - S \int_0^L \eta Q dx +$$

$$S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S \eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

$$\int_0^L \eta \mu \ddot{w} dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} dx - \int_0^L \eta q dx - \eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

- Capacity ~ Mass
- Conductivity ~ Stiffness
- Heat generation ~ Transverse load
- Heat flux BC ~ Force BC

Temperature ~ Deflection  
 Temperature gradient ~ Slope  
 Heat flux ~ Transverse force

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Importantly, the term with the derivatives is second-order for the cable, but first order for the heat conduction problem.

Therefore, the heat conduction problem leads to real-exponential like solutions (decay), and the cable problem leads to vibration (oscillations).

For statics (all time derivatives are zero), the two models are very similar, but the heat-conduction model is quite a bit richer in that it allows for the thermal conductivity to be a function of  $x$ . For the cable the prestress force is a constant.

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Panel 1

## Exercise 59-c

Develop the analogy of the heat surface-transfer boundary condition for the Galerkin model for the vibrating cable.

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Panel 2

In exercise 59-b we have compared the two formulations term by term:

$$S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx + S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx - S \int_0^L \eta Q dx +$$

$$S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S \eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

$$\int_0^L \eta \mu \ddot{w} dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} dx - \int_0^L \eta q dx - \eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

- Capacity ~ Mass
- Conductivity ~ Stiffness
- Heat generation ~ Transverse load
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Temperature ~ Deflection  
 Temperature gradient ~ Slope  
 Heat flux ~ Transverse force

Clearly one term from the heat conduction problem was not matched

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Panel 3

The diagram shows a cable model with boundary conditions and corresponding terms in the weak form. The cable is represented by a horizontal line with a fixed support at the left end and a spring support at the right end. The boundary conditions are labeled as  $S_1$  at the left end and  $S_3$  at the right end. The corresponding terms in the weak form are shown as colored boxes: a blue box for  $S\eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3}$ , a yellow box for  $S\eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2}$ , and a green box for  $-\eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2}$ . Arrows point from the text explanations to these terms.

The meaning of these two terms is the same: it is the product of a nondimensional test function with (area times heat flux).

These two terms corresponds to each other in the two models, so we conclude that (-area times heat flux) corresponds to force.

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Panel 4

Therefore, we must conclude that  $S h(T - T_a)|_{S_3}$  must correspond to a force in the boundary condition we are searching for for the cable model.

Furthermore, we know that in the two models we have the correspondence of temperature and deflection. Therefore,  $S h$  corresponds to a spring constant.

Thus we finally conclude that the boundary conditions we are looking for is a spring support:

Force in the spring =  $F|_{S_3} = -k(w - w_a)|_{S_3}$

The diagram shows a spring support boundary condition. A horizontal line represents the cable, fixed at the left end. At the right end, a vertical spring is attached to the cable. The spring is labeled with  $S_3$  at the top and  $w|_{S_3}$  at the bottom. A red arrow points downwards from the spring, labeled  $w_a|_{S_3}$ .

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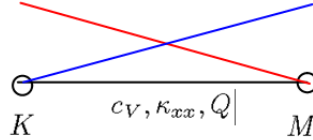
The weighted residual equation for the cable model including the spring-support boundary condition may be written as

$$\int_0^L \eta \mu \ddot{w} \, dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \, dx - \int_0^L \eta q \, dx - \eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2} + \eta|_{S_3} k(w - w_a)|_{S_3} = 0$$

Panel 1

## Exercise 59-d

Formulate the finite element expressions for the Galerkin model of heat conduction with one spatial coordinate using the L2 finite elements.



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Panel 2

In exercise 59-a we have formulated the Galerkin model of heat conduction using one spatial coordinate:

$$S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx + S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx - S \int_0^L \eta Q dx +$$

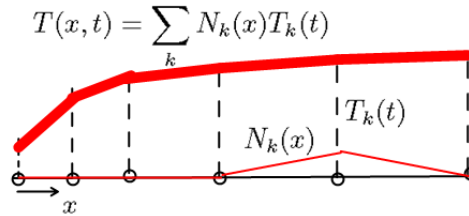
$$S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S \eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

In order to develop the finite element formulation, we shall start with writing down the finite element expansions of the trial function and the test functions.

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Panel 3

The trial function describes the variation of the temperature along the thickness of the wall as a linear combination of though finite element basis functions where the coefficients of the linear combination are functions of time. (Exactly parallel to the cable model.)



The test functions are all those basis functions which vanish at the point where the essential boundary conditions are prescribed

$$N_k(x)|_{S_1} = 0$$

which practically translates into all basis functions except those at nodes where the temperature is prescribed.

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Panel 4

Substituting the finite element expansions for the trial function and the test function leads to the analogy of (2.15) for the cable model:

$$\begin{aligned} & S \int_0^L N_j(x) c_V \sum_k N_k(x) \dot{T}_k(t) dx + S \int_0^L N'_j(x) \kappa_{xx} \sum_k N'_k(x) T_k(t) dx \\ & - S \int_0^L N_j(x) Q dx + S N_j(x)|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S N_j(x)|_{S_3} h \left( \sum_k N_k(x) T_k(t) - T_a \right) |_{S_3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$N_j(x)|_{S_1} = 0$$

The resulting matrix equations consist of (in the order given above): capacity matrix times rates of temperatures, conductivity matrix times temperatures, load due to heat generation, load due to applied heat flux, load due to surface heat transfer.

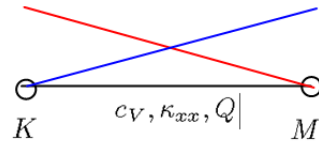
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We can also note that the same assembly techniques used for the cable (and in fact for all the finite element methods discussed in this book) are applicable: compute elementwise matrices and vectors, and then assemble them into the global matrices/vectors.

Capacity elementwise matrix

$$(C^{(e)})_{KM} = S \int_0^L N_K(x) c_V N_M(x) dx$$



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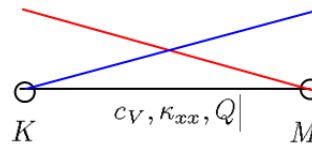
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Conductivity elementwise matrix

$$(K^{(e)})_{KM} = S \int_0^L N'_K(x) \kappa_{xx} N'_M(x) dx$$

Elementwise heat-generation loads

$$(L^{(e)})_K = S \int_0^L N_K(x) Q dx$$



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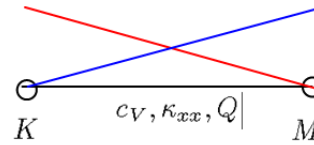
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For applied heat flux

add load

$$(\mathbf{L})_j = -S(\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2}$$

where node  $j$  is located on the boundary  $S_2$  with prescribed heat flux



For heat surface-transfer boundary condition

add load

$$(\mathbf{L})_j = ShT_a|_{S_3}$$

where node  $j$  is located on the boundary  $S_3$  with prescribed heat surface-transfer boundary condition

add to the heat-surface-transfer matrix

$$(\mathbf{H})_{jj} = -Sh$$

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Panel 8

When all the element contributions (and the contributions from the boundary conditions) are assembled, the resulting system of linear differential equations reads

$$\sum_{\text{free } i} C_{ji} \dot{T}_j + \sum_{\text{free } i} K_{ji} T_i + \sum_{\text{free } i} H_{ji} T_i = L_j$$

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Panel 1

## Exercise 59-e

Develop the view of the spring-support boundary condition as a penalty enforcement of the prescribed displacement in the Galerkin model for the vibrating cable.

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Panel 2

In exercise 59-b we have compared the two formulations term by term:

$$S \int_0^L \eta c_V \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dx + S \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} \kappa_{xx} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} dx - S \int_0^L \eta Q dx +$$

$$S \eta|_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2} + S \eta|_{S_3} h(T - T_a)|_{S_3} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

$$\int_0^L \eta \mu \ddot{w} dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} dx - \int_0^L \eta q dx - \eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2} = 0, \quad \eta|_{S_1} = 0$$

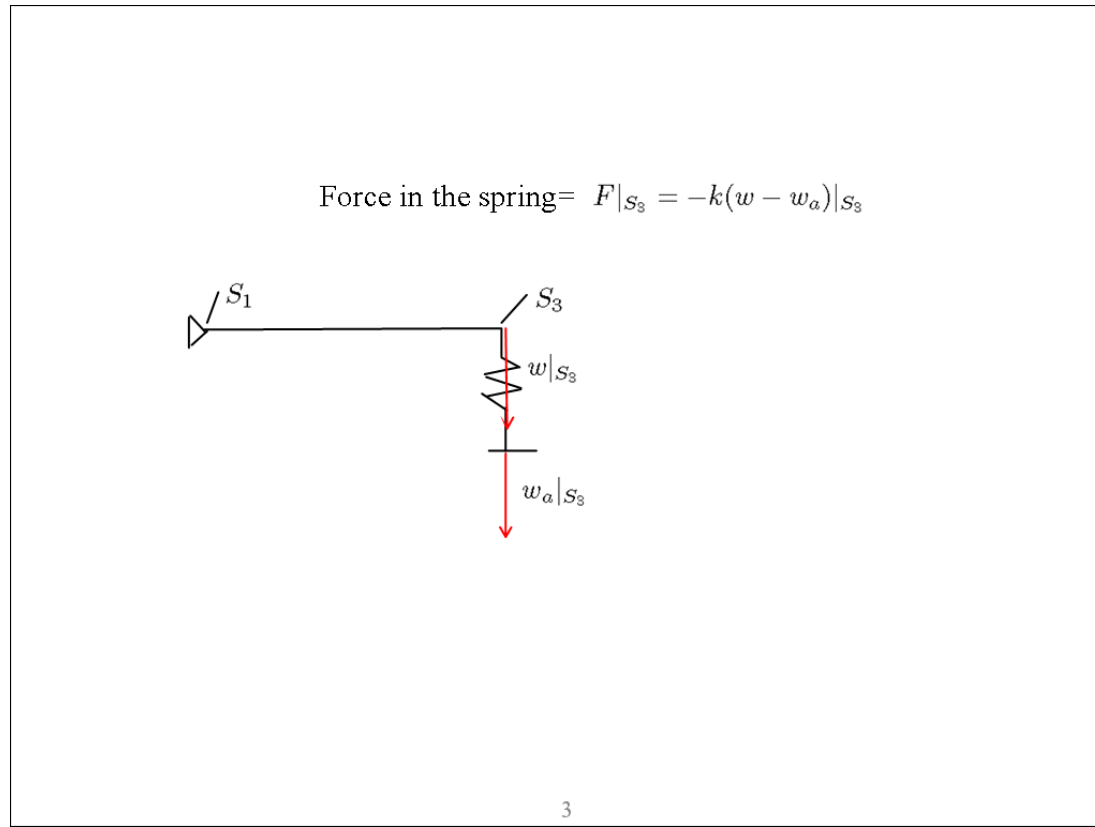
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The weighted residual equation for the cable model including the spring-support boundary condition may be written as

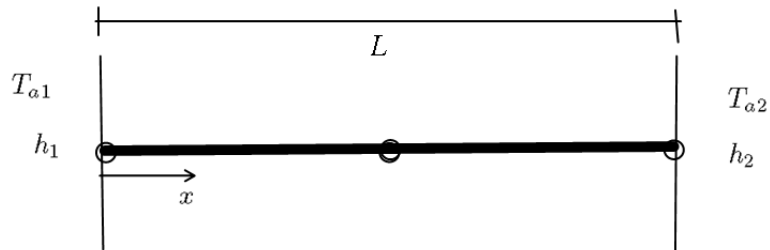
$$\int_0^L \eta \mu \ddot{w} \, dx + \int_0^L \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x} P \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \, dx - \int_0^L \eta q \, dx - \eta|_{S_2} F|_{S_2} + \eta|_{S_3} k(w - w_a)|_{S_3} = 0$$



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## Exercise 60-a

Solve the steady-state heat conduction problem below with a one-coordinate Galerkin model using two L2 finite elements. The ambient temperature is given on either side of a homogeneous wall. The heat-surface transfer coefficients are different on the two faces.

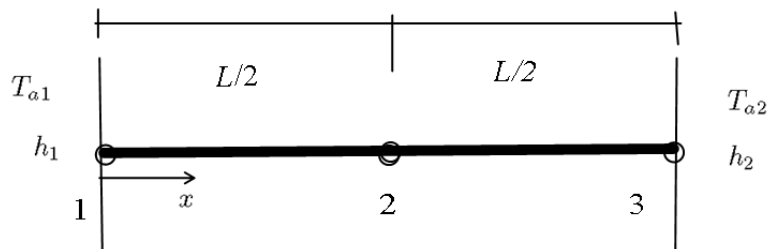


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Finite element mesh:

Elements	Nodes	Equation #'s = Node #'s
1	1,2	
2	2,3	



2

Panel 3

The weighted residual simplifies in this case to

$$S \int_0^L N'_j(x) \kappa_{xx} \sum_k N'_k(x) T_k(t) dx + S N_j(x)|_{S_3} h \left( \sum_k N_k(x) T_k(t) - T_a \right) |_{S_3} = 0$$

Note that  $S_3$  consists in this case of two points,  $x=0$ , and  $x=L$ .

The elementwise conductivity matrix can in the present case be evaluated (analytically) as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{S \kappa_{xx}}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad h = L/2$$

It is worthwhile to note the resemblance to the stiffness matrices for the cable elements, the only thing that changed are the constants in front.

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The global conductivity matrix is assembled from the two elementwise conductivity matrices as

$$\mathbf{K} = \frac{2S \kappa_{xx}}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that this matrix is singular:

```
>> rank([1,-1,0;-1,2,-1;0,-1,1])
```

```
ans =
```

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2
```

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Panel 5

As outlined in exercise 59-d, for the heat surface-transfer boundary condition terms needs to be added to both the heat load and to the heat surface transfer matrix.

add load

$$(\mathbf{L})_j = ShT_a|_{S_8}$$

add to the heat-surface-transfer matrix

$$(\mathbf{H})_{jj} = -Sh$$

The heat surface transfer matrix is then found as

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} -Sh_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -Sh_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and the heat surface transfer load is

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} Sh_1 T_{a1} \\ 0 \\ Sh_2 T_{a2} \end{pmatrix}$$

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The solution is easily found with Matlab's symbolic algebra:

$$\frac{2S\kappa_{xx}}{L} \quad Sh_1 \quad Sh_2 \quad T_{a1} \quad T_{a2}$$

syms k s1 s2 ta1 ta2 real

$$K = k^* \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$H = [-s1, 0, 0; 0, 0, 0; 0, 0, -s2]$$

```
L= [s1*ta1,0,s2*ta2]'
```

$$(K+H)\backslash L$$

ans =

$$\begin{aligned} & -(k*s1*ta1+k*s2*ta2-2*s2*s1*ta1)/(k*s1+k*s2-2*s1*s2) \\ & -(k*s1*ta1+k*s2*ta2-s1*s2*ta2-s2*s1*ta1)/(k*s1+k*s2-2*s1*s2) \\ & -(k*s1*ta1+k*s2*ta2-2*s1*s2*ta2)/(k*s1+k*s2-2*s1*s2) \end{aligned}$$

This may be simplified to give

$$T_1 = \frac{-(k/s_2 * ta_1 + k/s_1 * ta_2 - 2 * ta_1)}{k/s_2 + k/s_1 - 2}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{-(k/s_2 * ta_1 + k/s_1 * ta_2 - ta_2 - ta_1)}{k/s_2 + k/s_1 - 2}$$

$$T_3 = \frac{-(k/s_2 * ta_1 + k/s_1 * ta_2 - 2 * ta_2)}{k/s_2 + k/s_1 - 2}$$

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It may be instructive to consider the solution for the heat surface transfer coefficients very large (much larger than the conductivity coefficient):

The expressions

$$T_1 = \frac{-(k/s_2 * ta_1 + k/s_1 * ta_2 - 2 * ta_1)}{k/s_2 + k/s_1 - 2}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{-(k/s_2 * ta_1 + k/s_1 * ta_2 - ta_2 - ta_1)}{k/s_2 + k/s_1 - 2}$$

$$T_3 = \frac{-(k/s_2 * ta_1 + k/s_1 * ta_2 - 2 * ta_2)}{k/s_2 + k/s_1 - 2}$$

would tend to

$$T_1 = T_{a1}, T_2 = (T_{a1} + T_{a2})/2, T_3 = T_{a2}$$

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For finite values of the heat surface transfer coefficients, the distribution of temperature would in general look like



Note the jumps in the temperature at the surfaces of the wall: the larger the heat surface transfer coefficient, the smaller the jump.

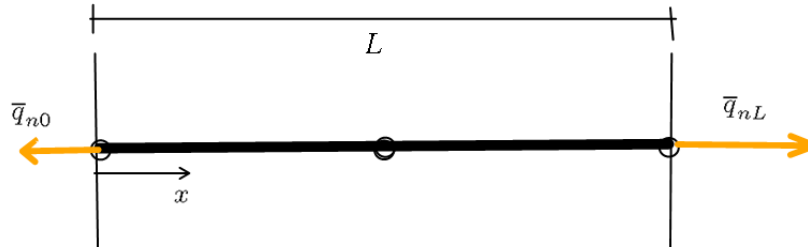
For vanishingly small heat surface transfer coefficients,  $h_1 \rightarrow 0, h_2 \rightarrow 0$  the solution for the temperatures will cease to have a unique solution: the matrix  $H$  will become a zero matrix, and  $K+H$  will be singular.

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## Exercise 60-b

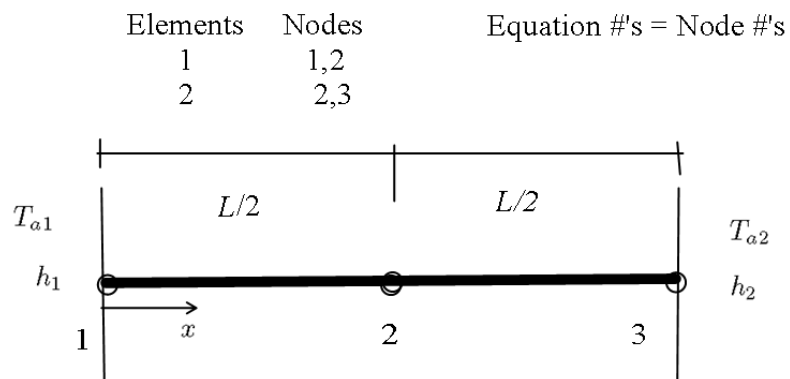
Solve the steady-state heat conduction problem below with a one-coordinate Galerkin model using two L2 finite elements. The wall is loaded by heat fluxes on either side.



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Finite element mesh:



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Panel 3

The weighted residual simplifies in this case to

$$S \int_0^L N'_j(x) \kappa_{xx} \sum_k N'_k(x) T_k(t) dx + S N_j(x) |_{S_2} (\bar{q}_n) |_{S_2} = 0$$

Note that  $S_2$  consists in this case of two points,  $x=0$ , and  $x=L$ .

The elementwise conductivity matrix can in the present case be evaluated (analytically) as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \frac{S \kappa_{xx}}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad h = L/2$$

3

Panel 4

The global conductivity matrix is assembled from the two elementwise conductivity matrices as

$$\mathbf{K} = \frac{2S \kappa_{xx}}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that this matrix is singular:

```
>> rank([1,-1,0;-1,2,-1;0,-1,1])
```

```
ans =
```

```
2
```

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The heat loads are assembled as follows:

The term  $SN_j(x)|_{S_2}(\bar{q}_n)|_{S_2}$  needs to be evaluated at two points,  $x=0$ , and  $x=L$ . Only one basis function is nonzero at either point. Hence,

$$F_1 = -SN_1(x=0)\bar{q}_{n0} = -S\bar{q}_{n0}$$

and

$$F_3 = -SN_3(x=L)\bar{q}_{nL} = -S\bar{q}_{nL}$$

The global load vector is therefore

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} -S\bar{q}_{n0} \\ 0 \\ -S\bar{q}_{nL} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Thus, the system of linear equations to be solved is

$$\frac{2S\kappa_{xx}}{L} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \\ T_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -S\bar{q}_{n0} \\ 0 \\ -S\bar{q}_{nL} \end{pmatrix}$$

We have noted before that the system matrix was singular. Does a solution to this system exist under these conditions?

First, we make use of the fact that the second equation may be written as

$$(-T_1 + T_2) + (T_2 - T_3) = 0$$

We see these differences (with opposite signs) in the first and last equation. Substituting, we obtain that both the first and the last equations may be true (and therefore a solution does exist) provided

$$\bar{q}_{n0} = -\bar{q}_{nL}$$

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The physical explanation is that the weighted residual expresses a balance of heat energy. Since there are no heat loads generated inside the wall, in the steady state whatever amount of energy enters the wall at one face must leave the wall at the other face.

Therefore, the condition  $\bar{q}_{n0} = -\bar{q}_{nL}$

simply states that no heat energy accumulates inside the wall. Under these conditions a distribution of temperature exists to support such state of affairs.

However, we see that the distribution of temperature is definitely not determined uniquely by the equations. We show that easily by recognizing that the system matrix is singular and therefore a nonzero solution exists for zero right hand side:

$$\mathbf{K}\tilde{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{0}$$

Another way of saying this is by writing

$$\mathbf{K}\tilde{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{0} \times \tilde{\mathbf{T}}$$

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The equation

$$\mathbf{K}\tilde{\mathbf{T}} = \mathbf{0} \times \tilde{\mathbf{T}}$$

is of course an eigenvalue problem. We know that the two statements "the matrix is singular" and "the matrix has eigenvalue zero" are equivalent.

So we know that the system leads to a nonzero solution

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{L}$$

provided the right-hand side is of the form

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} -S\bar{q}_{n0} \\ 0 \\ +S\bar{q}_{n0} \end{pmatrix}$$

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We can add together the two equations

and  $KT = L$

so that we see that

$$K\tilde{T} = 0$$

is also a solution:

$$K(T + \tilde{T}) = L$$

This explains our claim that the solution was not unique.

The Matlab eig() function can illustrate these observations:

```
>> [v,d] = eig([1,-1,0;-1,2,-1;0,-1,1])
```

v =

```
-0.577350269189626 -0.707106781186547 0.408248290463863
-0.577350269189626 0.000000000000000 -0.816496580927726
-0.577350269189626 0.707106781186547 0.408248290463863
```

Eigenvectors

d =

```
0.000000000000000 0 0
0 1.000000000000000 0
0 0 3.000000000000000
```

Eigenvalues

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The first eigenvalue is equal to zero. The eigenvector gives the components of  $\tilde{T}$  and we see that the corresponding solution is "uniform temperature".

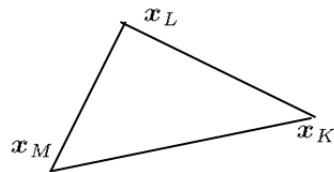
The second eigenvector corresponds to applied heat fluxes at  $x=0$ , and  $x=L$ . The third eigenvector is not useful, because it would correspond to a situation in which heat flux would be applied at the interior node 2: this is not a realistic scenario.

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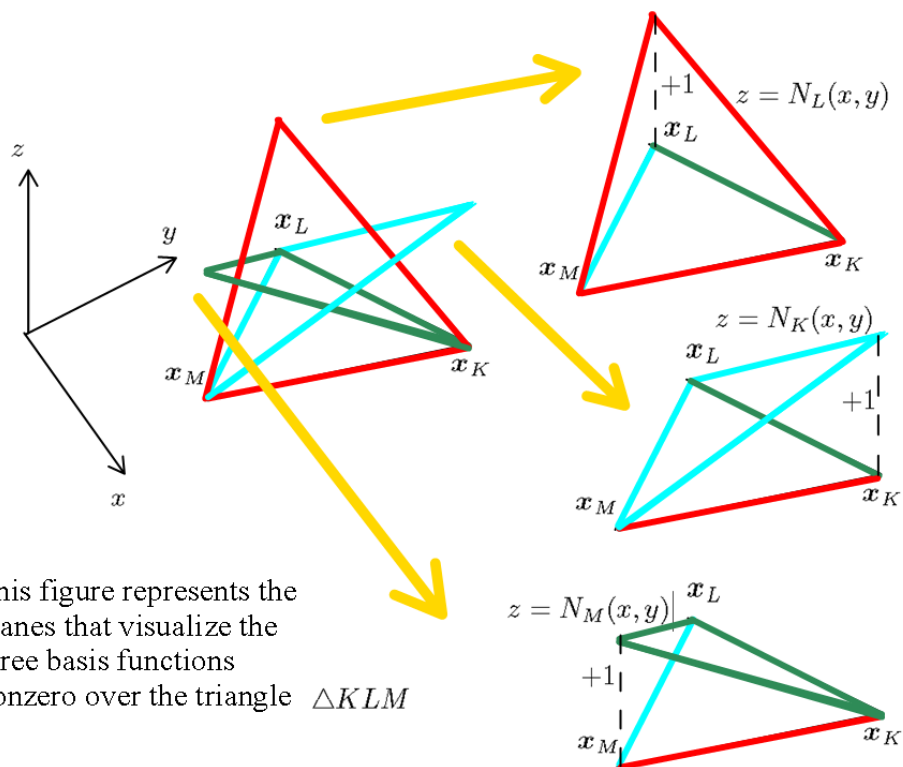
## Exercise 62-a

Consider a general triangle in the  $xy$  plane. Construct the expression for the basis function  $N_L(x,y)$  directly from the interpolation conditions.



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This figure represents the planes that visualize the three basis functions nonzero over the triangle  $\triangle KLM$

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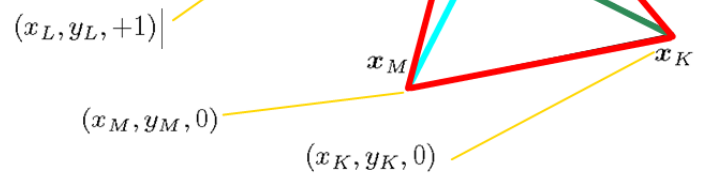
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To construct the first basis function, we write it as an equation of a plane

$$N_L(x, y) = a_L x + b_L y + c_L$$

where  $a_L, b_L, c_L$  are constants to be determined

The constants may be computed from the condition that the plane representing the basis function must pass through three points in the  $xyz$  coordinates



We see

$$N_L(x_K, y_K) = 0$$

and so on.

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So we arrive at these three conditions (the so-called interpolating conditions):

$$N_L(x_K, y_K) = 0$$

$$N_L(x_L, y_L) = +1$$

$$N_L(x_M, y_M) = 0$$

Substituting we obtain a system of three equations for three unknowns  $a_L, b_L, c_L$

$$a_L x_K + b_L y_K + c_L = 0$$

$$a_L x_L + b_L y_L + c_L = +1$$

$$a_L x_M + b_L y_M + c_L = 0$$

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This may be written in matrix form

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_K & y_K & 1 \\ x_L & y_L & 1 \\ x_M & y_M & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_L \\ b_L \\ c_L \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The relationship may be easily inverted, for instance with symbolic Matlab

```
syms x_K y_K x_L y_L x_M y_M real  
inv([x_K y_K 1;  
    x_L y_L 1;  
    x_M y_M 1])
```

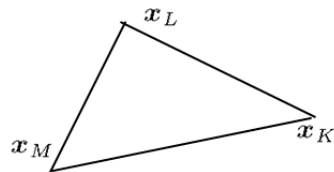
The coefficients are the second column of this matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_L \\ b_L \\ c_L \end{pmatrix} = (x_K y_L - x_K y_M - x_L y_K + x_L y_M + x_M y_K - x_M y_L)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -(y_K - y_M) \\ (x_K - x_M) \\ -(x_K y_M - x_M y_K) \end{pmatrix}$$

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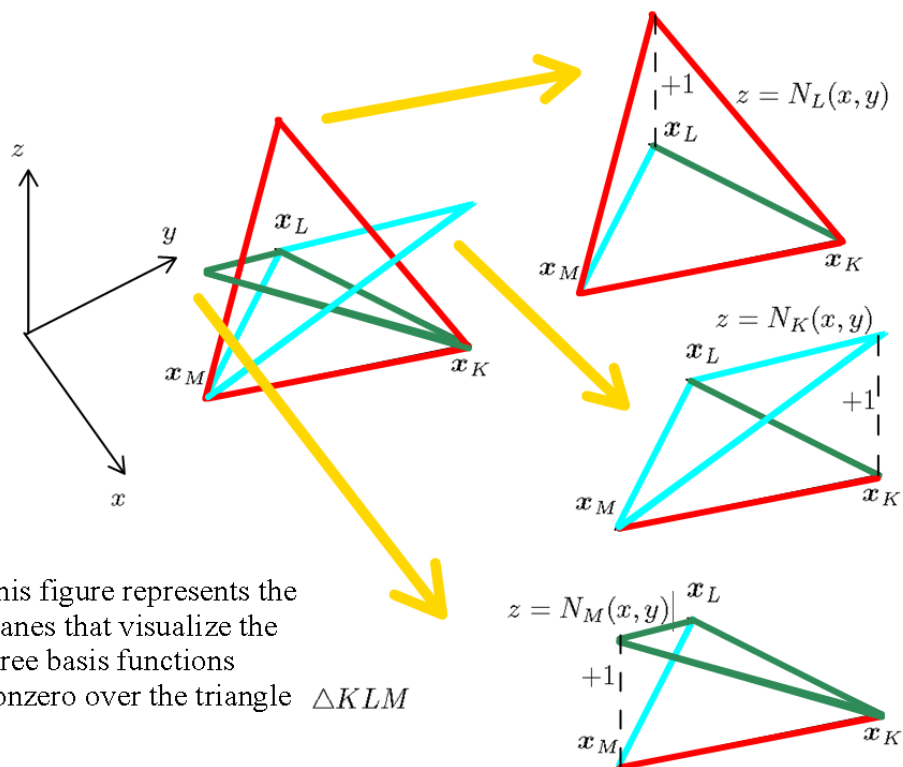
## Exercise 62-b

Consider a general triangle in the  $xy$  plane. Construct all the basis functions directly from the interpolation conditions. Formulate the solution as a matrix expression.



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Panel 3

To construct the first basis function, we write it as an equation of a plane

$$N_L(x, y) = a_L x + b_L y + c_L$$

where  $a_L, b_L, c_L$  are constants to be determined

Similarly for the other basis functions.

$$N_K(x, y) = a_K x + b_K y + c_K$$

$$N_M(x, y) = a_M x + b_M y + c_M$$

In order to determine the functional expressions for all three basis functions, we need to compute the nine coefficients.

In exercise 62-a we have shown how to use the interpolation conditions to set up a system of equations from which the coefficients may be determined.

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For instance for  $N_L(x, y)$  we arrive at these three conditions (the so-called interpolating conditions):

$$N_L(x_K, y_K) = 0 \quad N_L(x_L, y_L) = +1 \quad N_L(x_M, y_M) = 0$$

Repeating this for the other two basis functions we arrive at the three sets of three equations for the nine coefficients.

$$N_K(x_K, y_K) = a_K x_K + b_K y_K + c_K = +1$$

$$N_K(x_L, y_L) = a_K x_L + b_K y_L + c_K = 0$$

$$N_K(x_M, y_M) = a_K x_M + b_K y_M + c_K = 0$$

$$N_L(x_K, y_K) = a_L x_K + b_L y_K + c_L = 0$$

$$N_L(x_L, y_L) = a_L x_L + b_L y_L + c_L = +1$$

$$N_L(x_M, y_M) = a_L x_M + b_L y_M + c_L = 0$$

$$a_L x_M + b_L y_M + c_L = 0$$

$$N_M(x_K, y_K) = a_M x_K + b_M y_K + c_M = 0$$

$$N_M(x_L, y_L) = a_M x_L + b_M y_L + c_M = 0$$

$$N_M(x_M, y_M) = a_M x_M + b_M y_M + c_M = +1$$

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This suggests to write the nine equations as a matrix equation, where the right-hand side is an identity matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_K & y_K & 1 \\ x_L & y_L & 1 \\ x_M & y_M & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_K & a_L & a_M \\ b_K & b_L & b_M \\ c_K & c_L & c_M \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{X} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{A} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{1}$

Therefore, the solution is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}^{-1}$$

The elements of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  are the coefficients to define the linear expressions for the three basis functions.

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The algebra may be easily carried out with symbolic Matlab

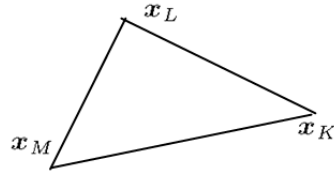
```
syms x_K y_K x_L y_L x_M y_M real
A=inv([x_K y_K 1 ;
      x_L y_L 1 ;
      x_M y_M 1])
```

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Panel 1

## Exercise 62-c

Consider a general triangle in the  $xy$  plane. Compute the derivatives of all the basis functions established in exercise 62-b.



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Panel 2

We have the following expressions for the basis functions

$$\begin{aligned} N_L(x, y) &= a_L x + b_L y + c_L \\ N_K(x, y) &= a_K x + b_K y + c_K \\ N_M(x, y) &= a_M x + b_M y + c_M \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

where the coefficients are the solution of

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_K & y_K & 1 \\ x_L & y_L & 1 \\ x_M & y_M & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_K & a_L & a_M \\ b_K & b_L & b_M \\ c_K & c_L & c_M \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (**)$$

The derivatives are easily established by directly differentiating (\*)

$$\frac{\partial N_K}{\partial x} = a_K \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial N_M}{\partial y} = b_M \quad \dots$$

where the coefficients are obtained from (\*\*)

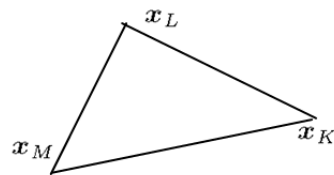
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## Exercise 62-d

Verify that the basis functions (6.12-14) in terms of the parametric coordinates give upon substitution of  $x, y$  for the parametric coordinates from (6.17) the same expressions as the basis functions established in exercise 62-b.



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The direct expressions for the basis functions established in exercise 62-b are

$$\begin{aligned} N_L(x, y) &= a_L x + b_L y + c_L \\ N_K(x, y) &= a_K x + b_K y + c_K \\ N_M(x, y) &= a_M x + b_M y + c_M \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

where the coefficients are the solution of

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_K & y_K & 1 \\ x_L & y_L & 1 \\ x_M & y_M & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_K & a_L & a_M \\ b_K & b_L & b_M \\ c_K & c_L & c_M \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (**)$$

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The equations (6.12-14) write the basis functions in terms of the parametric coordinates  $\xi, \eta$

The parametric coordinates  $\xi, \eta$  are linked to the physical coordinates  $x, y$  through the map (6.16), which can be further developed into (6.17).

The goal is to verify here that the basis functions expressed in terms of  $x, y$  from the direct expressions are the same as the basis functions in terms of the parametric coordinates (6.12-14) when we substitute from (6.17) for the parametric coordinates.

First we will express the parametric coordinates  $\xi, \eta$  from (6.17) in terms of  $x, y$ .

```
syms x y x_K y_K x_L y_L x_M y_M real
p=inv([x_L-x_K x_M-x_K ;
      y_L-y_K y_M-y_K])*[x-x_K;y-y_K]
```

$\xi, \eta$

We are writing  $x_K$  for  $x_1$ ,  $x_L$  for  $x_2$ , and so on.

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The variable  $p$  now holds the parametric coordinates as expressions in  $x, y$ . Now we will substitute the parametric coordinates into the definitions (6.12-14) and verify that they are the same expressions in  $x, y$  as given in (\*)

```
A=inv([x_K y_K 1 ;
      x_L y_L 1 ;
      x_M y_M 1])
NK =A(1,1)*x+A(2,1)*y +A(3,1);
NL =A(1,2)*x+A(2,2)*y +A(3,2);
NM =A(1,3)*x+A(2,3)*y +A(3,3);
simplify(NK-(1-p(1)-p(2)))
simplify(NL-(p(1)))
simplify(NM-(p(2)))
```

These are (\*)

These are (6.12-14)

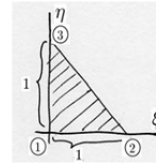
Since the output of the last three lines is zero, we conclude that the expressions are identical, QED.

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## Exercise 64

Interpolate the function  $f(\xi, \eta) = 1 - (1 - \xi/2)(1 - \eta^2) + \eta$  on the standard triangle.



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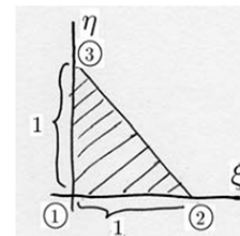
Interpolation means approximating a given function from a set of discrete values. The term comes from *inter* meaning between and *pole*, in the sense of points or nodes. Calculating a new point between two existing data points is therefore interpolation. Here we mean that the data points are at the vertices of the triangle, and interpolation refers to the calculation of intermediate values anywhere within the triangle. In the finite element setting the basic shape of the interpolating function is determined by the basis functions, since the interpolation is written down as a linear combination of the basis functions:

$$g(\xi, \eta) = \sum_{j=1:3} N_j(\xi, \eta) f_j$$

We say the function  $g(\xi, \eta)$  approximates  $f(\xi, \eta)$  by interpolation, since we determine the function  $g(\xi, \eta)$  by enforcing the interpolation conditions

$$g(\xi_j, \eta_j) = f(\xi_j, \eta_j)$$

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In words, the interpolation conditions say that the interpolated function and the interpolating finite element function are equal to each other at the nodes

$$g(\xi_j, \eta_j) = f(\xi_j, \eta_j)$$

Interpolation in the finite element setting is really easy because of the properties of the basis functions:

$$N_k(\xi_j, \eta_j) = \delta_{kj}$$

For instance, we have that

$$N_1(\xi_1, \eta_1) = 1, N_1(\xi_2, \eta_2) = 0, N_1(\xi_3, \eta_3) = 0$$

This means that in order to determine the coefficients of the linear combination  $f_j$  we just compute

$$f_j = f(\xi_j, \eta_j)$$

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And the interpolation conditions  $g(\xi_j, \eta_j) = f(\xi_j, \eta_j)$  will be satisfied automatically.

In our case we have

$$(\xi_1, \eta_1) = (0, 0), (\xi_2, \eta_2) = (1, 0), (\xi_3, \eta_3) = (0, 1)$$

A brief Matlab code gives us

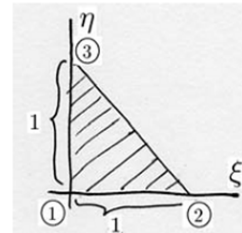
```
>> f=@(xi,eta)1-(1-xi/2)^2*(1-eta^2)+eta
f(0,0)
f(1,0)
f(0,1)
```

```
f =
    @(xi,eta)1-(1-xi/2)^2*(1-eta^2)+eta
```

```
ans =
    0 ← f1
```

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ans =
    0.5000000000000000 ← f2
```

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ans =
    2 ← f3
```



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So the interpolation is

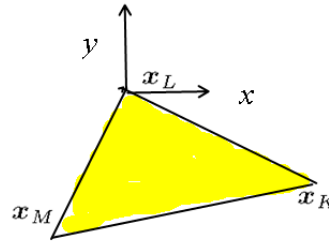
$$g(\xi, \eta) = N_1(\xi, \eta) \times (0) + N_2(\xi, \eta) \times (0.5) + N_3(\xi, \eta) \times (2)$$

The original function is a nonlinear polynomial. We are approximating it by interpolation with a linear function: Since all the basis functions are linear in  $\xi, \eta$ , the interpolation itself is linear in  $\xi, \eta$ .

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## Exercise 75

Compute the Jacobian matrix of the triangle  $KLM$  shown on the right at the points of the quadrature rules from Table 6.1.

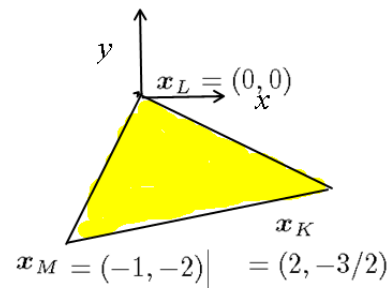


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The basis functions are (6.12-14). Therefore, the matrix of gradients of the basis functions with respect to  $\xi, \eta$  (equation 6.43) is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial N_K}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial N_K}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial N_L}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial N_L}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial N_M}{\partial \xi} & \frac{\partial N_M}{\partial \eta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



We see that the basis function gradient matrix is constant. Therefore, the Jacobian matrix will also not depend on the parametric coordinates  $\xi, \eta$ . In other words, the Jacobian matrix is constant and the same for all the quadrature points for all the rules in Table 6.1.

2

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The matrix of coordinates of the nodes of the triangle is

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0, & 0 \\ -1, & -2 \\ 2, & -3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Jacobian matrix is obtained then as (formula 6.40, 6.41)

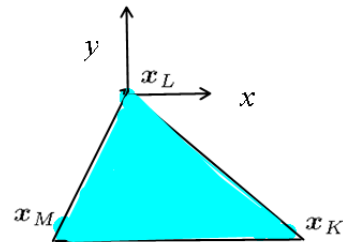
```
[0  0
 -1 -2
 2 -3/2 ]'*[-1 -1
             1  0
             0  1 ]
ans =
```

```
[J] —————> -1.0000000000000000    2.0000000000000000
                 -2.0000000000000000   -1.5000000000000000
```

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## Exercise 76

Compute the moments of inertia of the triangle  $KLM$  with the respect to  $x, y$  using the quadrature rules from table 6.1.



$$\mathbf{x}_K = (2, -2)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_L = (0, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_M = (-1, -2)$$

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The moments of inertia are defined as

$$\mathbf{x}_K = (2, -2)$$

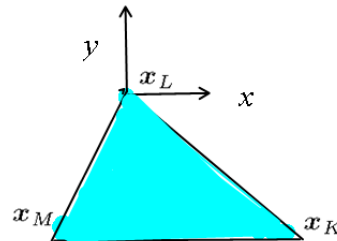
$$\mathbf{x}_L = (0, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_M = (-1, -2)$$

The numerical quadrature formulas of Table 6.1 approximate the moments of inertia by the sums

$$I_x \approx \sum_{k=1}^M y(\xi_k, \eta_k)^2 \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k$$

$$I_y \approx \sum_{k=1}^M x(\xi_k, \eta_k)^2 \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k$$



2



Panel 3

The Jacobian for the three-node triangle is constant. We could use (6.39). For illustration purposes we will use the cross product formula of (6.47).

$$\det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \xi} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} \end{bmatrix}$$

We have for the coordinates the interpolation (6.16):

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^3 N_i(\xi, \eta) x_i, \quad y = \sum_{i=1}^3 N_i(\xi, \eta) y_i$$

Substituting for the basis functions from (6.12-14), we obtain

$$x = (1 - \xi - \eta)x_K + \xi x_L + \eta x_M, \quad y = (1 - \xi - \eta)y_K + \xi y_L + \eta y_M$$

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We therefore compute immediately the components of the vectors of the derivatives with respect to the parametric coordinates

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \xi} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \xi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_L - x_K \\ y_L - y_K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \eta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_M - x_K \\ y_M - y_K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The Jacobian follows has the cross product of the above vectors (which is a number) as

$$\det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] = 6$$

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The tedious part is the evaluation of  $x, y$  at a quadrature point. In order to expedite the calculation of the we used a simple Matlab code.

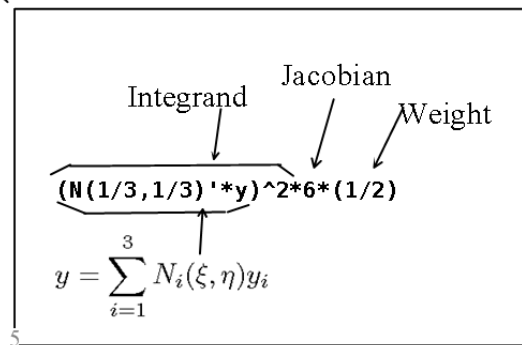
```
x = [2;0;-1];
y = [-2;0;-2];
N = @(xi,eta) [1-xi-eta;xi;eta]
```

These are given coordinates

This is a simple function to calculate a vector of bases function values at the quadrature point

**% and this is the application of the one-point rule**

```
(N(1/3,1/3)'*x)^2*6*(1/2)
(N(1/3,1/3)'*y)^2*6*(1/2)
ans =
0.3333333333333334
ans =
5.3333333333333334
```



Panel 6

The answer is substantially in error with one-point quadrature rule. The three-point rule already gives the moments of inertia exactly:

```
x = [2;0;-1];
y = [-2;0;-2];
N = @(xi,eta) [1-xi-eta;xi;eta]

% three-point quadrature rule from Table 6.1
(N(2/3,1/6)'*x)^2*6*(1/6)+(N(1/6,2/3)'*x)^2*6*(1/6)
+(N(1/6,1/6)'*x)^2*6*(1/6)
(N(2/3,1/6)'*y)^2*6*(1/6)+(N(1/6,2/3)'*y)^2*6*(1/6)
+(N(1/6,1/6)'*y)^2*6*(1/6)
ans =
1.5000000000000000
ans =
6
```

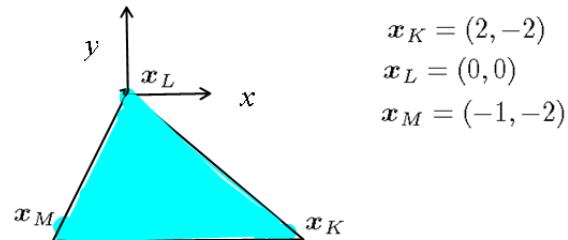
Exact

Therefore, we omit here the application of the six-point rule since we already got the answer as accurate as possible.

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## Exercise 77-a

Determine the rank and discuss the eigenvectors of the elementwise conductivity matrix of the triangular finite element  $KLM$  from exercise 77.



1

Panel 2

The elementwise conductivity matrix was determined in exercise 77 as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z S_e \begin{bmatrix} 0.1389 & -0.0833 & -0.0556 \\ -0.0833 & 0.2500 & -0.1667 \\ -0.0556 & -0.1667 & 0.2222 \end{bmatrix}$$

The coefficients in front are known (given) and nonzero. Can't therefore, the properties of the conductivity matrix are going to be determined by the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the numerical matrix.

```
>> [V,D] = eig(gradN*gradN')
```

```
V =
    0.5774    0.8105    0.0988
    0.5774   -0.3197   -0.7513
    0.5774   -0.4908    0.6525
```

```
D =
    0.0000    0    0
    0    0.2054    0
    0    0    0.4057
```

Note the zero eigenvalue.

2

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As is common for elementwise stiffness (conductivity,...) matrices, also this matrix is singular (note the zero eigenvalue).

The corresponding eigenvector has all components identical: this is all part of the same story:

-  $\mathbf{K}^{(e)}$  is singular is equivalent to saying that the eigenvalue problem  $\mathbf{K}^{(e)}\mathbf{T}^{(e)} = \lambda\mathbf{T}^{(e)}$

has an eigenvalue  $\lambda = 0$

-  $\mathbf{K}^{(e)}$  is singular if the system  $\mathbf{K}^{(e)}\mathbf{T}^{(e)} = \mathbf{0}$

has a nonzero solution (and vice versa).

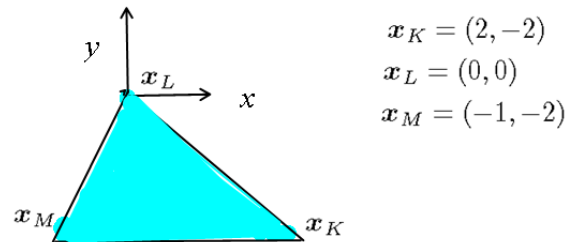
In our case, when the temperature is the same at all nodes, there is no heat flow, hence the right-hand side is zero.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)}\mathbf{T}^{(e)} = \mathbf{0}$$

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## Exercise 77-b

Compute the capacity matrix of the triangular finite element  $KLM$ . Assume isotropic homogeneous material. Use a sufficiently accurate quadrature rule to evaluate the matrix exactly.



1

Panel 2

The single-element capacity matrix is computed from formula (6.21). We realize that for a single element mesh, the capacity matrix links together three basis functions which are known zero over the element.

$$C_{ji}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} N_j c_V N_i \Delta z \, dS$$

Therefore, the elementwise capacity matrix will be  $3 \times 3$ . The basis functions are piecewise linear and the Jacobian for the three-node triangle are constant. Therefore we need to integrate quadratic polynomials. By inspection of Table 6.1 we estimate that the three-point rule is going to be adequate.

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For convenience we will carry out the integration for the entire capacity matrix rather than with the individual components. Hence we introduce the matrix of basis functions

$$\mathbf{N}(\xi, \eta) = \begin{bmatrix} N_K(\xi, \eta) \\ N_L(\xi, \eta) \\ N_M(\xi, \eta) \end{bmatrix}$$

With these matrices, the capacity elementwise matrix is defined as

$$\mathbf{C}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} c_V \mathbf{N} \mathbf{N}^T \Delta z \, dS$$

which is approximated with numerical quadrature as

$$\mathbf{C}^{(e)} = \sum_{k=1}^M \left( \underline{c_V(\xi_k, \eta_k)} \mathbf{N}(\xi_k, \eta_k) \mathbf{N}^T(\xi_k, \eta_k) \underline{\Delta z} \right) \underline{\det[J(\xi_k, \eta_k)]} \underline{W_k}$$

Here  $\underline{c_V(\xi_k, \eta_k)}$  is actually constant, as is  $\underline{\Delta z}$ . The Jacobian has been previously determined (exercise 76)

$$\det[J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] = 6$$

3

Panel 4

With a bit of Matlab we get

```
>> N=@(xi,eta) [1-xi-eta;xi;eta];
(N(2/3,1/6)*N(2/3,1/6)')*6*(1/6)+(N(1/6,2/3)*N(1/6,2/3)')*6*(1/6)+
(N(1/6,1/6)*N(1/6,1/6)')*6*(1/6)
```

ans =

```
0.5000    0.2500    0.2500
0.2500    0.5000    0.2500
0.2500    0.2500    0.5000
```

$$\mathbf{C}^{(e)} = \sum_{k=1}^M \left( c_V(\xi_k, \eta_k) \mathbf{N}(\xi_k, \eta_k) \mathbf{N}^T(\xi_k, \eta_k) \Delta z \right) \det[J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k$$

The elementwise capacity matrix is therefore obtained as

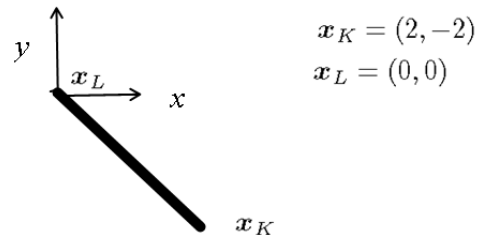
$$\mathbf{C}^{(e)} = c_V \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 0.5000 & 0.2500 & 0.2500 \\ 0.2500 & 0.5000 & 0.2500 \\ 0.2500 & 0.2500 & 0.5000 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Exercise 77-c

Compute the heat surface transfer matrix of the L2 finite element  $KL$ . Assume constant surface transfer coefficient. Use a sufficiently accurate quadrature rule to evaluate the matrix exactly.

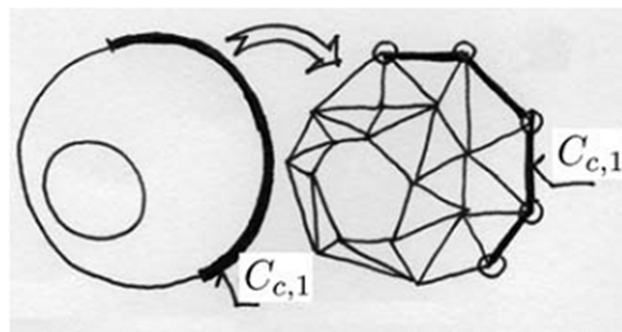


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The surface heat transfer matrix results from integration along the contour of the two dimensional domain. If the two dimensional domain is discretized with triangles T3 or quadrilaterals Q4, the boundary (the contour) is discretized with two node elements L2.

Since the discretized two dimensional domain has a thickness, and therefore represents three-dimensional volume, the discretized contour of the two dimensional domain represents surface.



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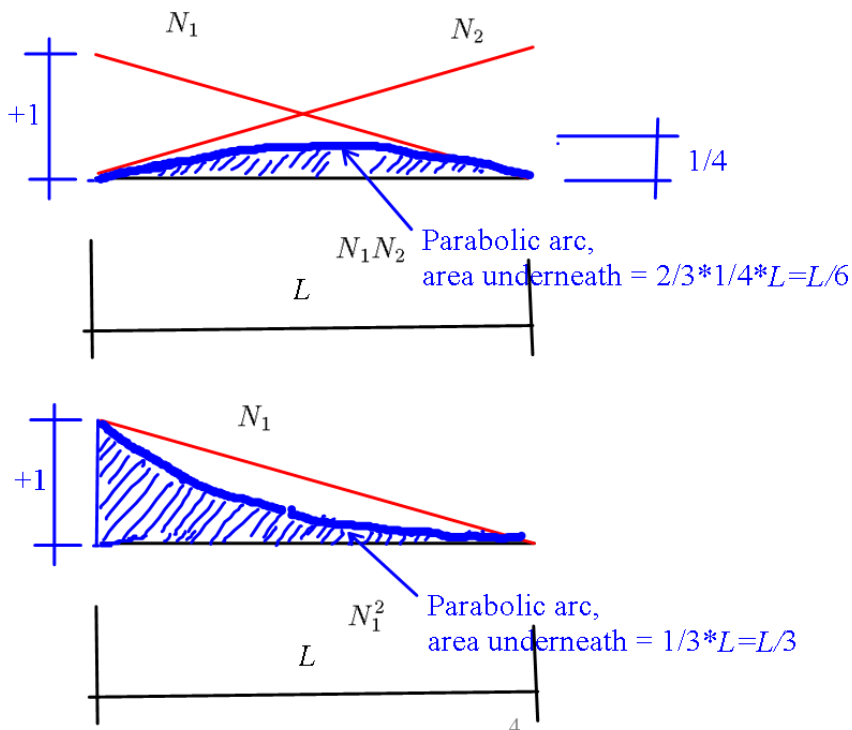
The single-element surface-transfer matrix is computed from formula (6.29). We realize that for a single element mesh, the capacity matrix links together two basis functions which are non zero over the element.

$$H_{ji} = \int_{C_{e,3}} N_j h N_i \Delta z dC$$

Therefore, for the L2 element the elementwise surface transfer matrix will be  $2 \times 2$ . The basis functions are piecewise linear and the Jacobian for the two-node element are constant. Therefore we need to integrate quadratic polynomials. By inspection of Table 6.1 we estimate that the two-point rule would be adequate. Instead of using numerical quadrature, we will evaluate the integrals analytically: we will use formulas that are well worth remembering. See next page.

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Consequently, we have for the elements of the heat surface transfer matrix

$$H_{KK} = \int_{L_e} N_K h N_K \Delta z dC = h \Delta z L_e / 3$$

$$H_{KM} = H_{MK} = \int_{L_e} N_M h N_K \Delta z dC = h \Delta z L_e / 6$$

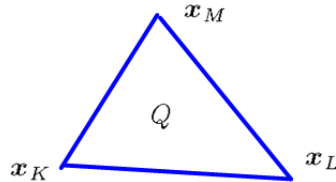
$$H_{MM} = \int_{L_e} N_M h N_M \Delta z dC = h \Delta z L_e / 3$$

where  $L_e = 2\sqrt{2}$  is the length of the element

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## Exercise 77-d

Compute the thermal load matrix for internal heat generation of the T3 finite element  $KLM$ . Assume uniform heat generation density. Use a sufficiently accurate quadrature rule to evaluate the matrix exactly.



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Panel 2

The thermal load for internal heat generation is defined by equation (6.26). For a single element, the elementwise load vector will be evaluated from

$$L_{Q,j}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} N_j Q \Delta z dS \quad j = K, L, M$$

Since by assumption that internal heat generation density is uniform, as is the slice thickness, the task is to integrate a linearly varying basis function across the triangular area of the element. The one-point quadrature rule of table 6.1 is sufficient for this purpose.

$$L_{Q,j}^{(e)} = Q N_j(\xi_1, \eta_1) \Delta z \det [J(\xi_1, \eta_1)] W_1 \quad j = K, L, M$$

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The area of the triangle  $S_e$

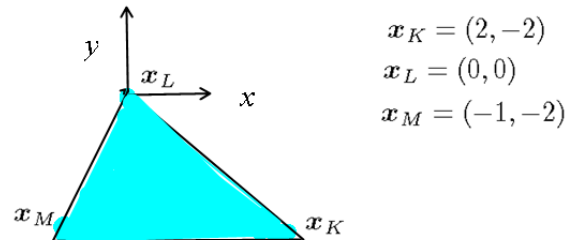
$$L_{Q,j}^{(e)} = Q \Delta z S_e / 3 \quad j = K, L, M$$

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## Exercise 77

Compute the conductivity matrix of the triangular finite element  $KLM$ . Assume isotropic homogeneous material.



1

Panel 2

The single-element conductivity matrix is computed from formula (6.51), where the sum collapses to a single term (just one element). This is the same principle as used before for the cable model to compute elementwise matrices.

$$K_{ji}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} (\text{grad} N_j) \kappa (\text{grad} N_i)^T \Delta z dS$$

The basis function gradients and the Jacobian for the three-node triangle are constant. Therefore a one-point rule is going to be adequate.

All the terms in the integrand are in fact constants: the gradients of the basis functions, the thermal conductivity, the slice thickness. Therefore the one-point rule becomes

$$K_{ji}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} (\text{grad} N_j) \kappa (\text{grad} N_i)^T \Delta z dS = (\text{grad} N_j) \kappa (\text{grad} N_i)^T \Delta z S_e$$

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where  $S_e$  is the element area.

It remains to compute the basis functions gradients. We could use the general formulas of section 6.6. For ad hoc computation methodology developed in exercises 62-b,c may also be used. For pedagogical purposes that's what we do here:

We have the following expressions for the basis functions

$$\begin{aligned} N_L(x,y) &= a_L x + b_L y + c_L \\ N_K(x,y) &= a_K x + b_K y + c_K \\ N_M(x,y) &= a_M x + b_M y + c_M \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

where the coefficients are the solution of

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_K & y_K & 1 \\ x_L & y_L & 1 \\ x_M & y_M & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_K & a_L & a_M \\ b_K & b_L & b_M \\ c_K & c_L & c_M \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (**)$$

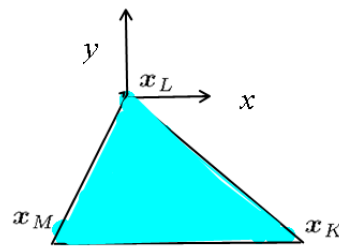
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A quick computation gives

```
x = [2;0;-1];
y = [-2;0;-2];
inv([x,y,[1;1;1]])
ans =
```

```
0.333333333333333 0 -0.333333333333333
-0.166666666666667 0.500000000000000 -0.333333333333333
0 1.000000000000000 0
```



As explained in exercise 62-c, the components of the basis function gradients are contained in the first two rows of the above matrix. Thus we have

```
x = [2;0;-1];
y = [-2;0;-2];
A = inv([x,y,[1;1;1]])
gradN = A(1:2,:)'
```

```
0.333333333333333 -0.166666666666667
0 0.500000000000000
-0.333333333333333 -0.333333333333333
```

gradN<sub>K</sub>

gradN<sub>L</sub>

gradN<sub>M</sub>

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Thus for instance we have

$$K_{KM}^{(e)} = (\text{grad}N_K) \kappa (\text{grad}N_M)^T \Delta z S_e = -0.083333333333 \kappa \Delta z S_e$$

The entire elementwise conductivity matrix may be computed in one matrix operation using

```
>> gradN*gradN'
```

```
ans =
```

```
    0.138888888888889   -0.083333333333333   -0.055555555555556
   -0.083333333333333    0.250000000000000   -0.166666666666667
   -0.055555555555556   -0.166666666666667    0.222222222222222
```

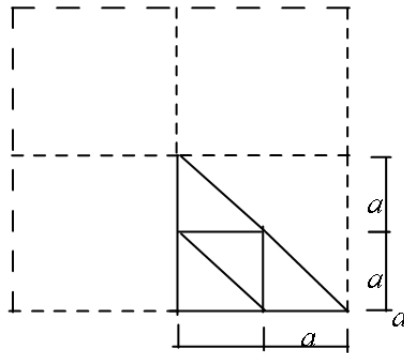
to give

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z S_e \begin{bmatrix} 0.1389 & -0.0833 & -0.0556 \\ -0.0833 & 0.2500 & -0.1667 \\ -0.0556 & -0.1667 & 0.2222 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Exercise 86-a

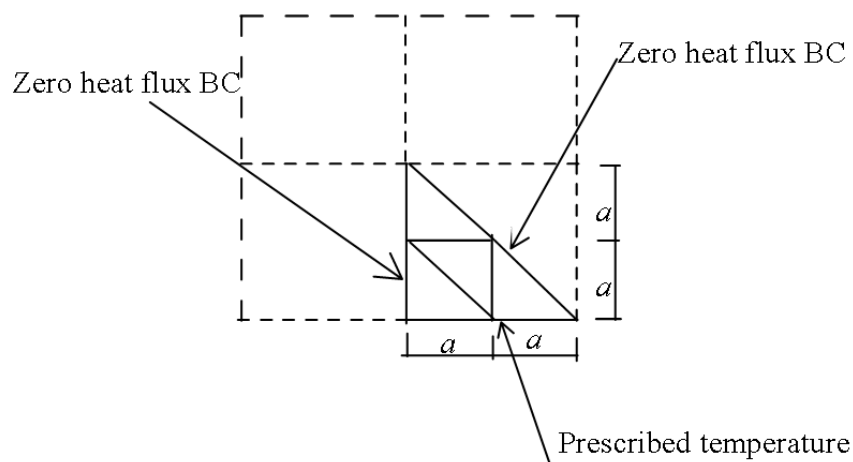
Solve the steady state temperature distribution using the four finite elements to model 1/8 of the square domain using symmetry. The temperature around the circumference is prescribed as 20 degree Celsius. Heat is generated in the interior at the rate of 15 Watts per meter cubed. Assume homogeneous isotropic material.



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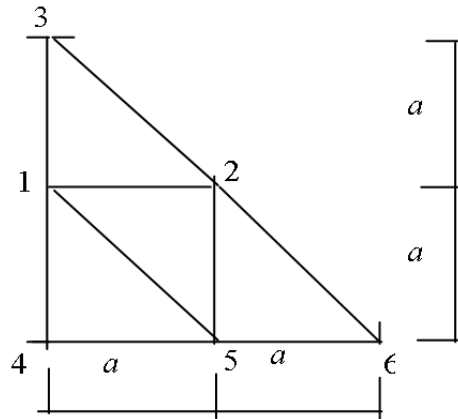
Boundary conditions: note the zero heat flux on the symmetry planes



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Panel 3

The finite element mesh can be numbered so that the required work is minimized. In particular only a single conductivity elementwise matrix needs to be computed if we are clever about it.



Element	Node #'s
1	4,5,1
2	5,6,2
3	1,2,3
4	2,1,5

Note that all elements have the same shape and their nodes are numbered so that a simple translation or rotation of the element makes them coincide. Therefore, all the elements will have the same elementwise conductivity matrix.

**Note:** equation #'s are the same as the node #'s. There are three free degrees of freedom, and three prescribed degrees of freedom.

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Panel 4

Conductivity matrix of element 3

Note that we can arbitrarily choose the origin of the coordinate system since nothing in the expression for the connectivity matrix depends on the coordinates directly.

The matrix of gradients of the basis functions with respect to parametric coordinates (6.43):

```
Nder = [-1, -1; 1, 0; 0, 1];
```

The matrix of the nodal coordinates (6.42):

```
syms a real
x= [0, 0; a, 0; 0, a];
```

The Jacobian matrix (6.41):

```
>> J=x'*Nder
```

```
J =
```

```
[ a, 0]
[ 0, a];
```

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The Jacobian:

```
>> det(J)
ans =
a^2
```

The gradient of the basis functions with respect to  $x,y$ :

```
>> Ndersp =Nder*inv(J)

Ndersp =

[ -1/a, -1/a]
[ 1/a,  0]
[  0,  1/a]
```

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The conductivity matrix integrated with one-point rule:  
compute the product of the basis function gradient matrices and  
multiply with the area of the element, thermal conductivity, and  
slice thickness.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} \kappa [\text{grad}N][\text{grad}N]^T \Delta z \, dS$$

```
>> Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J)*(1/2)

ans =

[ 1, -1/2, -1/2]
[ -1/2, 1/2, 0]
[ -1/2, 0, 1/2]
```

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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As advertised, this is the only elementwise conductivity matrix we need. It just needs to be assembled four times (into different locations in a global matrix, that is understood).

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} 1+1/2+1/2 & -1/2-1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2-1/2 & 1/2+1/2+1 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 2.0000 & -1.0000 & -0.5000 \\ -1.0000 & 2.0000 & 0 \\ -0.5000 & 0 & 0.5000 \end{bmatrix}$$

↑  
The global conductivity matrix

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Panel 8

Now the thermal loads due to nonzero essential boundary conditions (6.32):

$$T_4 = T_5 = T_6 = 20^\circ C$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 1 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 & 2 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$L = -\kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} -1/2+0+0 \\ 0-1/2-1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \times 20$$

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At this point we can verify that the matrices are computed correctly: if the only load is due to the prescribed temperature, we would expect the solution to be everywhere the same temperature (20° Celsius):

```
>> L= [1/2;1;0]*20
```

```
L =
```

```
10
20
0
```

```
>> K\L
```

```
ans =
```

```
20.0000
20.0000
20.0000
```

And that is indeed what we get

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Panel 10

Finally, we will compute and assemble the thermal loads due to internal heat generation (6.26). The elementwise load vector will be for each element

$$L^{(e)} = QS_e \Delta z / 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equation numbers

where  $S_e = a^2/2$  is the area of each finite element.

$$L = QS_e \Delta z / 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1+1+1 \\ 1+1+1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Global thermal load due to internal heat generation

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The global equations are

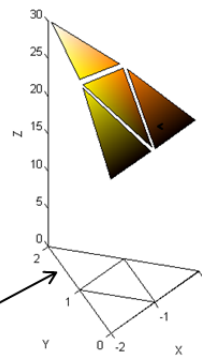
$$\kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 2.0000 & -1.0000 & -0.5000 \\ -1.0000 & 2.0000 & 0 \\ -0.5000 & 0 & 0.5000 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \\ T_3 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$-\kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} -1/2+0+0 \\ 0-1/2-1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \times 20 + Q S_e \Delta z / 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1+1+1 \\ 1+1+1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The solution is

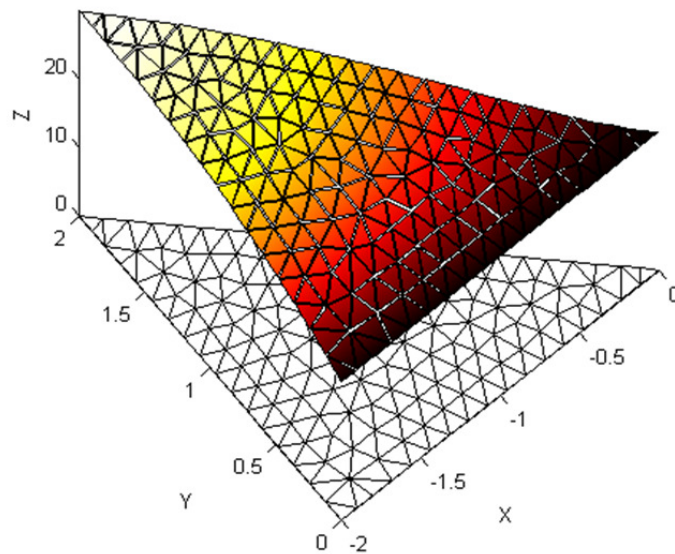
$$\begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \\ T_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20.0000 \\ 20.0000 \\ 20.0000 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{Q a^2}{6 \kappa} \begin{bmatrix} 5.5000 \\ 4.2500 \\ 7.5000 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the set of constants:  $\kappa=1.8, Q=15, a=1$ ;



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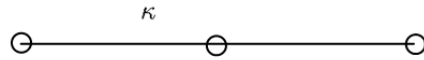


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Panel 1

## Exercise 114-a

Compute the elementwise conductivity matrix for the quadratic L3 element. Assume uniform thermal conductivity.



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Panel 2

$$\mathbf{K}_{jk}^{(e)} = S \int_{L_e} N'_j(x) \kappa_{xx}(x) N'_k(x) dx$$

This expression may be arranged to allow for the computation of the elementwise conductivity matrix as a whole using the matrix of gradients of the basis functions (see exercise 77)

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = S \int_{L_e} [\text{grad} N(x)] \kappa_{xx}(x) [\text{grad} N(x)]^T dx$$

Using numerical quadrature the above formula will be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = S \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad} N(\xi_k)] \kappa_{xx}(\xi_k) [\text{grad} N(\xi_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k)] W_k$$

where by  $[\text{grad} N(\xi_k)]$  we mean the gradient of the basis functions with respect to  $x$  computed at the quadrature point  $\xi_k$

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Panel 3

Using Matlab's symbolic algebra, we can express

```
syms x1 x2 x3 xi real
x=[x1;x2;x3];
N=[xi*(xi-1)/2;xi*(xi+1)/2;(1-xi^2)]
```

coordinates of the nodes

Basis functions (9.1)

```
>> Nder=[diff(N,'xi')]
Nder =
    xi-1/2
    xi+1/2
    -2*xi
```

Gradients of basis functions with the respect to the parametric coordinate

```
>> J=collect(simplify(x'*Nder),xi)
J =
(x1+x2-2*x3)*xi-1/2*x1+1/2*x2
```

Jacobian

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Panel 4

```
>> Ndersp=Nder*inv(J)
Ndersp =
    1/((x1+x2-2*x3)*xi-1/2*x1+1/2*x2)*(xi-1/2)
    1/((x1+x2-2*x3)*xi-1/2*x1+1/2*x2)*(xi+1/2)
    -2/((x1+x2-2*x3)*xi-1/2*x1+1/2*x2)*xi
```

Gradients of basis functions with the respect to the coordinate  $x$  -- equation (6.44), just the column corresponding to  $x$

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Panel 5

Assuming uniform thermal conductivity, with two-point Gauss quadrature we obtain

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = S\kappa_{xx} \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad}N(\xi_k)][\text{grad}N(\xi_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k)] W_k$$

```
>> xi=-0.577350269189626;
K1 =subs(Ndersp*Ndersp*'det(J)')*1;
xi=0.577350269189626;
K2 =subs(Ndersp*Ndersp*'det(J)')*1;
K=simplify(K1+K2)

K =

[ -3*(x1+15*x2-16*x3)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  3*(x1-x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  48*(x2-x3)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2),
  3*(x1-x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  3*(15*x1+x2-16*x3)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  -48*(x1-x3)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  48*(x2-x3)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  -48*(x1-x3)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2),
  48*(x1-x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3+3*x1-3*x2)/(2^3*(1/2)*x1+2^3*(1/2)*x2-4^3*(1/2)*x3-3*x1+3*x2)]
```

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Panel 6

This horrendous expression simplifies considerably when the central node is located at the midpoint of the element:

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = S\kappa_{xx} \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad}N(\xi_k)][\text{grad}N(\xi_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k)] W_k$$

```
>> x3=(x1+x2)/2;  
K=simplify(subs(K))
```

**K =**

$$\begin{bmatrix} -7/3/(x_1-x_2), & -1/3/(x_1-x_2), & 8/3/(x_1-x_2) \\ -1/3/(x_1-x_2), & -7/3/(x_1-x_2), & 8/3/(x_1-x_2) \\ 8/3/(x_1-x_2), & 8/3/(x_1-x_2), & -16/3/(x_1-x_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

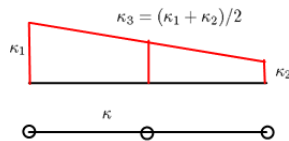
$$K^{(e)} = \frac{S_{Kxx}}{L_e} \begin{bmatrix} 7/3, & 1/3, & -8/3 \\ 1/3, & 7/3, & -8/3 \\ -8/3, & -8/3, & 16/3 \end{bmatrix} \quad L_e = (x_2 - x_1)$$

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Panel 1

## Exercise 114-b

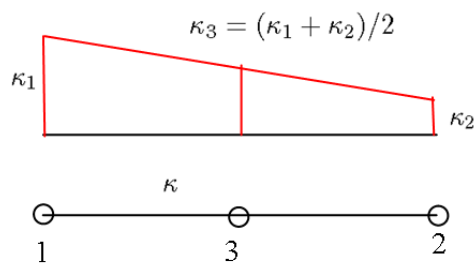
Compute the elementwise conductivity matrix for the quadratic L3 element. Assume linearly-varying thermal conductivity.



1

Panel 2

The thermal conductivity varies as a linear function. Provided the central node is at the midpoint of the element, the thermal conductivity may be interpolated from the nodal values given below as  $\kappa(\xi) = N_1(\xi)\kappa_1 + N_2(\xi)\kappa_2 + N_3(\xi)\kappa_3$



This expression may be substituted into the numerical integration formula. Otherwise, the solution proceeds as in exercise 114-a. The two-point Gauss quadrature rule is still adequate since it can integrate exactly cubic polynomials: product of linear expressions for the gradients times a linear polynomial for the thermal conductivity = a cubic.

2

Panel 3

As in exercise 114-a the symbolic math is executed with Matlab:

```
syms x1 x2 xi kap1 kap2 real
x=[x1;x2;(x1+x2)/2];
kappa=[kap1;kap2;(kap1+kap2)/2];
N=[xi*(xi-1)/2;xi*(xi+1)/2;(1-xi^2)]
Nder=[diff(N,'xi')]
J=collect(simplify(x'*Nder),xi)
Ndersp=Nder*inv(J)
```

Nodal coordinates  
Nodal thermal  
conductivities  
Basis function  
gradient matrix

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Panel 4

The two-point Gaussian integration yields

```
>> xi=-0.577350269189626;
K1 =subs((N'*kappa)*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*1;
xi=0.577350269189626;
K2 =subs((N'*kappa)*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*1;
K=simplify(K1+K2)

K =

[ -1/6*(11*kap1+3*kap2)/(x1-x2),      -1/6*(kap1+kap2)/(x1-x2),
  2/3*(3*kap1+kap2)/(x1-x2) ]
[ -1/6*(kap1+kap2)/(x1-x2), -1/6*(3*kap1+11*kap2)/(x1-x2),
  2/3*(kap1+3*kap2)/(x1-x2) ]
[ 2/3*(3*kap1+kap2)/(x1-x2),      2/3*(kap1+3*kap2)/(x1-x2),
 -8/3*(kap1+kap2)/(x1-x2) ]
```

Interpolated  
conductivity

which means that we can write

$$K^{(e)} = \frac{S}{L_e} \begin{bmatrix} 11/6 \cdot \text{kap1} + 1/2 \cdot \text{kap2} & 1/6 \cdot \text{kap1} + 1/6 \cdot \text{kap2} & -2 \cdot \text{kap1} - 2/3 \cdot \text{kap2} \\ 1/6 \cdot \text{kap1} + 1/6 \cdot \text{kap2} & 1/2 \cdot \text{kap1} + 11/6 \cdot \text{kap2} & -2/3 \cdot \text{kap1} - 2 \cdot \text{kap2} \\ -2 \cdot \text{kap1} - 2/3 \cdot \text{kap2} & -2/3 \cdot \text{kap1} - 2 \cdot \text{kap2} & 8/3 \cdot \text{kap1} + 8/3 \cdot \text{kap2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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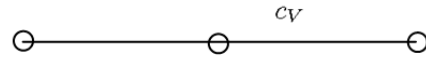
The two-point Gaussian integration is quite sufficient, but if we wish to experiment, here is a three-point Gaussian integration (same answer, which is not reproduced for brevity).

```
xi=-0.774596669241483;  
K1 =subs((N'*kappa)*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*0.555555555555556;  
xi=0.774596669241483;  
K2 =subs((N'*kappa)*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*0.555555555555556;  
xi=0;  
K3 =subs((N'*kappa)*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*0.888888888888889;  
K=simplify(K1+K2+K3)
```

Panel 1

## Exercise 114-c

Compute the elementwise capacity matrix for the quadratic L3 element. Assume uniform specific heat.



1

Panel 2

The elementwise capacity matrix for the quadratic L3 element is defined by

$$C_{jk}^{(e)} = S \int_{L_e} N_j(x) c_V(x) N_k(x) dx$$

where  $L_e$  is the length of the element.

Using a matrix expression for the capacity matrix, we write

$$C^{(e)} = S \int_{L_e} [N(x)] c_V(x) [N(x)]^T dx$$

Given our assumption of uniform specific heat and the central node being the midpoint of the element, the integral expression is quartic in  $x$ . Therefore, a three-point Gaussian rule will be required for exact integration (this rule is capable of integrating exactly quintic polynomials).

2

Panel 3

As before (exercise 114-a,b) we set up the symbolic expressions for the basis functions, the gradients with respect to parametric coordinates, and the Jacobian.

```
syms x1 x2 xi real
x=[x1;x2;(x1+x2)/2];
N=[xi*(xi-1)/2;xi*(xi+1)/2;(1-xi^2)]
Nder=[diff(N,'xi')]
J=collect(simplify(x'*Nder),xi)
```

The three-point Gauss rule is then executed as

```
xi=-0.774596669241483;
C1 =subs(N*N'*det(J))*0.555555555555556;
xi=0.774596669241483;
C2 =subs(N*N'*det(J))*0.555555555555556;
xi=0;
C3 =subs(N*N'*det(J))*0.888888888888889;
C=simplify(C1+C2+C3)
```

resulting in

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C =

```
[ -2/15*x1+2/15*x2, 1/30*x1-1/30*x2, -1/15*x1+1/15*x2]
[ 1/30*x1-1/30*x2, -2/15*x1+2/15*x2, -1/15*x1+1/15*x2]
[ -1/15*x1+1/15*x2, -1/15*x1+1/15*x2, -8/15*x1+8/15*x2]
```

This can be profitably formed into the final expression

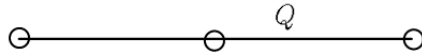
$$C^{(e)} = \frac{S c_V L_e}{30} \begin{bmatrix} 4, & -1, & 2 \\ -1, & 4, & 2 \\ 2, & 2, & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Panel 1

## Exercise 114-d

Compute the elementwise heat load vector for internal heat generation for the quadratic L3 element. Assume uniform heat generation density  $Q$ .



1

Panel 2

The elementwise heat load vector for internal heat generation is defined as

$$\mathbf{L}_j^{(e)} = S \int_{L_e} N_j(x) Q(x) dx$$

The heat load vector for internal heat generation may be computed for all the element's nodes using the matrix of basis function values

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = S \int_{L_e} [\mathbf{N}(x)] Q(x) dx$$

which may be specialized to numerical quadrature. Since we assume the internal heat generation density to be uniform, the task is to integrate a quadratic polynomial (the basis function), times the Jacobian (a linear polynomial). Therefore, a 2-point Gaussian quadrature should be sufficient.

$$\mathbf{L}^{(e)} = S \sum_{k=1}^M [\mathbf{N}(\xi_k)] Q(\xi_k) \det [\mathbf{J}(\xi_k)] W_k$$

2

Panel 3

The symbolic algebra implementation in Matlab follows:

```
syms x1 x2 x3 xi real
x=[x1;x2;x3];
N=[xi*(xi-1)/2;xi*(xi+1)/2;(1-xi^2)]
Nder=[diff(N,'xi')]
J=collect(simplify(x'*Nder),xi)
```

So far we have been assuming a generally located central node. The numerical quadrature integrates the basis function times the Jacobian

```
xi=-0.577350269189626;
L1 =subs(N*det(J))*1;
xi=0.577350269189626;
L2 =subs(N*det(J))*1;
L=simplify(L1+L2)
L =
```

$$\begin{aligned} & -1/2*x1-1/6*x2+2/3*x3 \\ & 1/6*x1+1/2*x2-2/3*x3 \\ & -2/3*x1+2/3*x2 \end{aligned}$$

3

Panel 4

This simplifies for the central node located at the midpoint of the element:

```
>> x3 =(x2+x1)/2;
subs(L)
ans =
```

$$\begin{aligned} & -1/6*x1+1/6*x2 \\ & -1/6*x1+1/6*x2 \\ & -2/3*x1+2/3*x2 \end{aligned}$$

Summary: for the central node located at the midpoint of the element and for uniform internal heat generation density the elementwise thermal load vector is

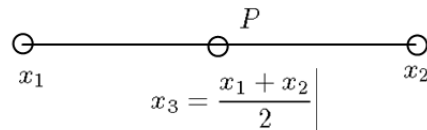
$$L^{(e)} = S Q L_e \begin{Bmatrix} 1/6 \\ 1/6 \\ 2/3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

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Panel 1

## Exercise 114-e

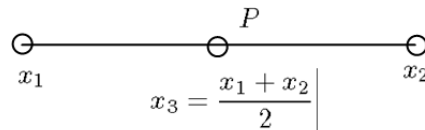
Compute the elementwise stiffness matrix for the quadratic L3 element for the cable IBVP. Calculate the stiffness matrix twice: Formulate the basis functions in terms of the parametric coordinates and also directly in terms of  $x$ . Show that the resulting stiffness matrix is the same. Important: it will be the same provided the middle node is halfway between the end nodes; otherwise it won't be (Section 10.6).



1

Panel 2

We start by computing with the basis functions defined on the standard interval.



The elementwise stiffness matrix for the element L3 has components (entirely analogous to the two-node L2):

$$K_{jk}^{(e)} = \int_{L_e} N'_j(x) P N'_k(x) dx$$

The entire 3 x 3 stiffness matrix may be computed using the matrix of gradients of the basis functions as

$$K^{(e)} = \int_{L_e} [\text{grad}N(x)] P [\text{grad}N(x)]^T dx$$

where by  $[\text{grad}N(\xi_k)]$  we mean the gradient of the basis functions with respect to  $x$  computed at the quadrature point  $\xi_k$

2

Panel 3

The integral will be evaluated with a numerical quadrature rule. If the integrand was a quadratic function (such as when the basis functions are quadratic, their gradients are linear, and provided the Jacobian is constant, the product of gradient times gradient times Jacobian will be quadratic), a two-point Gaussian quadrature would be sufficient for the exact evaluation of the integral. We shall assume this to be true, but normally it should be considered carefully.

So we are using the two-point Gaussian quadrature here.

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad}N(\xi_k)] P [\text{grad}N(\xi_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k)] W_k$$

3

Panel 4

With Matlab's symbolic algebra we can write

```
>> syms x1 x2 xi P real
x=[x1;x2;(x1+x2)/2];
N=[xi*(xi-1)/2;xi*(xi+1)/2;(1-xi^2)]
```

Note the middle node at the midpoint

N =

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2*xi*(xi-1) \\ 1/2*xi*(xi+1) \\ 1-xi^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis functions

```
>> Nder=[diff(N,'xi')]
J=collect(simplify(x'*Nder),xi)
```

Nder =

$$\begin{bmatrix} xi-1/2 \\ xi+1/2 \\ -2*xi \end{bmatrix}$$

Gradient wrt  $\xi$

J =

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1/2*x1+1/2*x2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note the constant Jacobian

4

Panel 5

```

>> Ndersp=Nder*inv(J)
Ndersp =
1/(-1/2*x1+1/2*x2)*(xi-1/2)
1/(-1/2*x1+1/2*x2)*(xi+1/2)
-2/(-1/2*x1+1/2*x2)*xi

>> xi=-0.577350269189626;
K1=subs(P*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*1;
xi=0.577350269189626;
K2=subs(P*Ndersp*Ndersp'*det(J))*1;
K=simplify(K1+K2)

K =
[ -7/3*P/(x1-x2), -1/3*P/(x1-x2), 8/3*P/(x1-x2)]
[ -1/3*P/(x1-x2), -7/3*P/(x1-x2), 8/3*P/(x1-x2)]
[ 8/3*P/(x1-x2), 8/3*P/(x1-x2), -16/3*P/(x1-x2)]

```

Gradient of the basis functions with the respect to  $x$

two-point Gaussian quadrature

Stiffness matrix

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Panel 6

Here is a slightly nicer looking expression for the stiffness matrix.

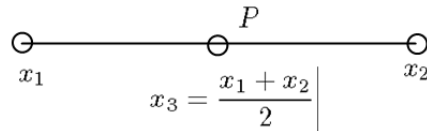
$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = P/L_e \begin{bmatrix} 7/3 & 1/3 & -8/3 \\ 1/3 & 7/3 & -8/3 \\ -8/3 & -8/3 & 16/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Panel 7

Now we repeat the computation with the basis functions defined in terms of  $x$ .



quadratic in  $x$

← quadratic in  $x$

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Panel 8

We assume the third node is in the middle:

$$x_3 = (x_1 + x_2) / 2;$$

The derivatives of the basis functions with respect to  $x$

```
>> Ndersp=[diff(N,'x')]
```

```
Ndersp =
```

$$\begin{aligned} & (x-x_3)/(x_1-x_2)/(x_1-x_3) + (x-x_2)/(x_1-x_2)/(x_1-x_3) \\ & (x-x_3)/(x_2-x_1)/(x_2-x_3) + (x-x_1)/(x_2-x_1)/(x_2-x_3) \\ & (x-x_1)/(x_3-x_2)/(x_3-x_1) + (x-x_2)/(x_3-x_2)/(x_3-x_1) \end{aligned}$$

← Note that this is an expression in terms of  $x$ !

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Panel 9

Now the quadrature: note that we do not have a Gaussian rule defined for a general interval in  $x$ . We will address the problem by defining that the map between the standard interval on which the integration rule is defined and our finite element is linear (this is a separate assumption from the isoparametric map that we used in the first part of this exercise). The Jacobian of this map is constant, and it is the same one we computed earlier.

```
>> xi=-0.577350269189626;
x=(x1+x2)/2+(x2-x1)/2*xi;
detJ=(x2-x1)/2;
K1=subs(P*Ndersp*Ndersp'*detJ)*1;
xi=0.577350269189626;
x=(x1+x2)/2+(x2-x1)/2*xi;
K2=subs(P*Ndersp*Ndersp'*detJ)*1;
K=simplify(K1+K2)

K =

[ -7/3*P/(x1-x2), -1/3*P/(x1-x2), 8/3*P/(x1-x2) ]
[ -1/3*P/(x1-x2), -7/3*P/(x1-x2), 8/3*P/(x1-x2) ]
[ 8/3*P/(x1-x2), 8/3*P/(x1-x2), -16/3*P/(x1-x2) ]
```

of these are the locations of the quadrature points in the actual element (in terms of  $x$ )

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Panel 10

Note that with some beautification we get again the stiffness matrix as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = P/L_e \begin{bmatrix} 7/3 & 1/3 & -8/3 \\ 1/3 & 7/3 & -8/3 \\ -8/3 & -8/3 & 16/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Summary: the stiffness matrix evaluated from basis functions defined in terms of the parametric coordinates and from basis functions defined directly in terms of  $x$  is the same provided the Jacobian of the isoparametric map (2.25) is constant.

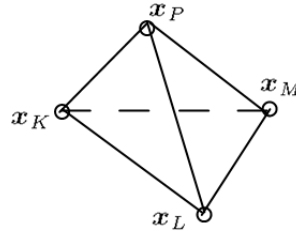
Defining the basis functions directly in terms of  $x$  may be making the calculation of the derivatives easier, but the quadrature rule these to be modified for the integration over the length of the element. This is a major reason for the use of the definition of basis functions in terms of the parametric coordinates.

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Panel 1

## Exercise 120-a

Generalize the calculation of the shape functions from exercise 62-a to apply to the four-node tetrahedron.



1

Panel 2

To construct the first basis function, we write it as an equation of a "hyper plane"

$$N_L(x, y, z) = a_L x + b_L y + c_L z + d_L$$

where  $a_L, b_L, c_L, d_L$  are constants to be determined

The constants may be computed from the Kronecker Delta condition introduced already on page 16.

$$N_L(x_L, y_L, z_L) = 1$$

$$N_L(x_K, y_K, z_K) = 0$$

$$N_L(x_M, y_M, z_M) = 0$$

$$N_L(x_P, y_P, z_P) = 0$$

The same reasoning is then applied to the other three basis functions, with the result that we have 16 linear equations for 16 unknown coefficients.

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Panel 3

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_K & y_K & z_K & 1 \\ x_L & y_L & z_L & 1 \\ x_M & y_M & z_M & 1 \\ x_P & y_P & z_P & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_K & a_L & a_M & a_P \\ b_K & b_L & b_M & b_P \\ c_K & c_L & c_M & c_P \\ d_K & d_L & d_M & d_P \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

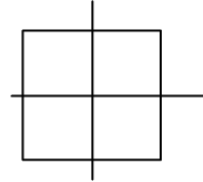
The solution is  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{X}^{-1}$

and we may note that the gradients of the basis functions are naturally available as the columns of the first three rows of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$

Panel 1

## Exercise 123-a

Extend the one-dimensional Gaussian integration rule for two-dimensional integration on the standard square.



1

Panel 2

The integration over the biunit square may be split into two one-dimensional integrations as shown

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} \int_{-1}^{+1} f(\xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta = \int_{-1}^{+1} \left( \int_{-1}^{+1} f(\xi, \eta) d\xi \right) d\eta$$

One-dimensional Gaussian rule may be therefore applied successively, giving

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} \left( \int_{-1}^{+1} f(\xi, \eta) d\xi \right) d\eta = \sum_{k=1}^M \left( \int_{-1}^{+1} f(\xi, \eta_k) d\xi \right) W_k$$

Normally there is no reason to choose a different integration rule in the  $\xi$  direction, so that we obtain

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} \left( \int_{-1}^{+1} f(\xi, \eta) d\xi \right) d\eta = \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{j=1}^M f(\xi_j, \eta_k) W_j W_k$$

2

Panel 3

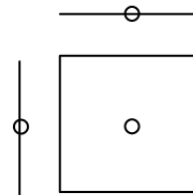
The two- and three-dimensional Gaussian rules may be written as one-dimensional tables, exactly as for one-dimensional Gaussian rules, by listing quadrature points and their weights as follows: The coordinates of the quadrature points are composed as tensor products of the coordinates of the one-dimensional rule, and the corresponding weights are products of the weights of the one-dimensional rule. Examples:

One-dimensional rule: one-point

$j$	$\xi_j$	$W_j$
1	0	2

Two-dimensional rule: one-point

$j$	$\xi_j$	$\eta_j$	$W_j$
1	0	0	4



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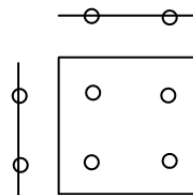
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One-dimensional rule: two-point

$j$	$\xi_j$	$W_j$
1	-0.5774	1
2	0.5774	1

Two-dimensional rule: four-point

$j$	$\xi_j$	$\eta_j$	$W_j$
1	-0.5774	-0.5774	1
2	-0.5774	0.5774	1
3	0.5774	-0.5774	1
4	0.5774	0.5774	1



Quite analogously for higher order Gaussian integration rules.

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Panel 1

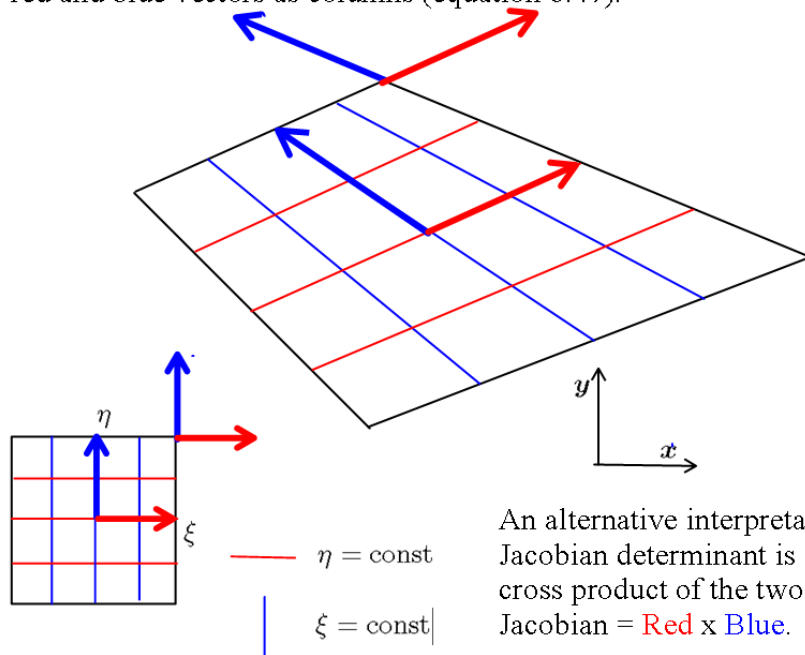
## Exercise 123-b

Illustrate the possibility of finding a negative Jacobian in severely distorted quadrilaterals.

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Panel 2

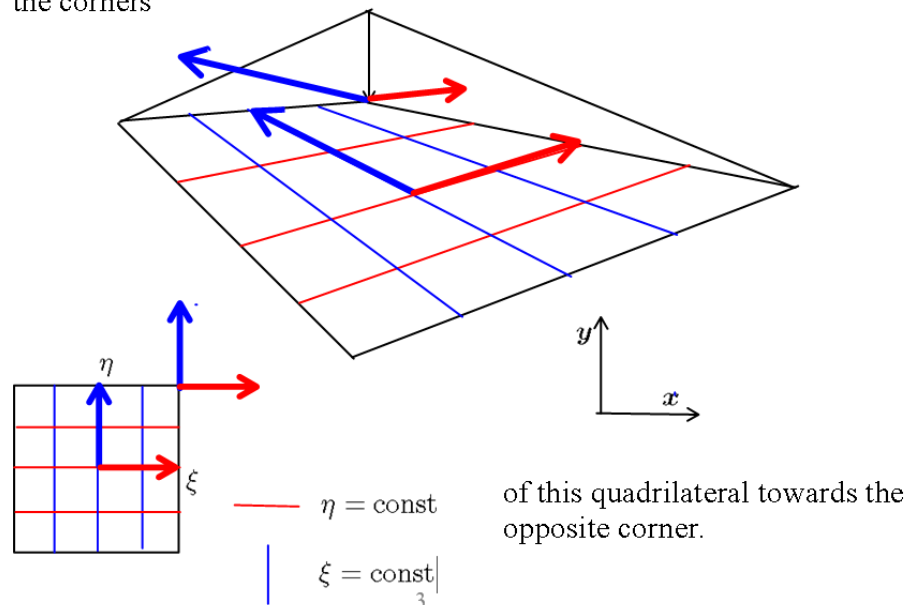
The Jacobian is a determinant of the matrix that has the components of the red and blue vectors as columns (equation 6.47).



An alternative interpretation of the Jacobian determinant is as the cross product of the two vectors,  $\text{Jacobian} = \text{Red} \times \text{Blue}$ .

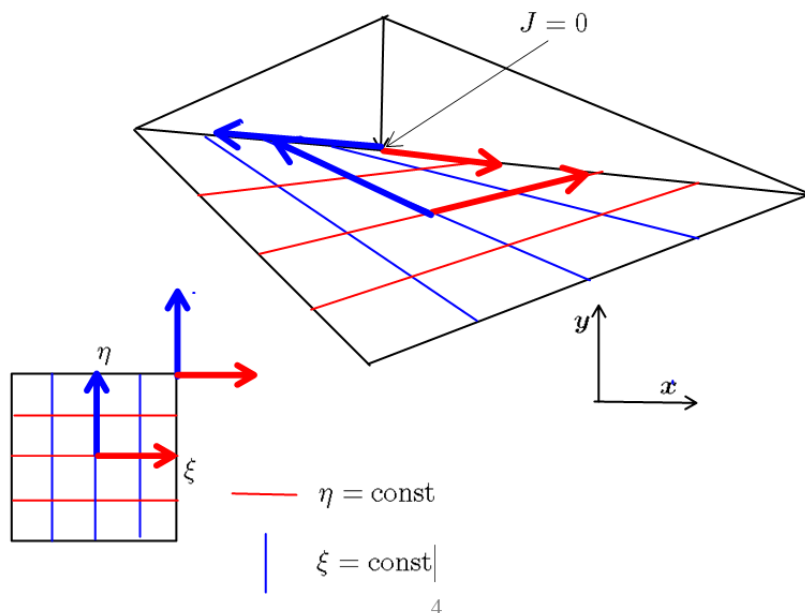
Panel 3

The Jacobian determinant varies from point to point, since also the vectors subtain different angles at different points. We are visualizing the change in the Jacobian due to a movement of one of the corners



Panel 4

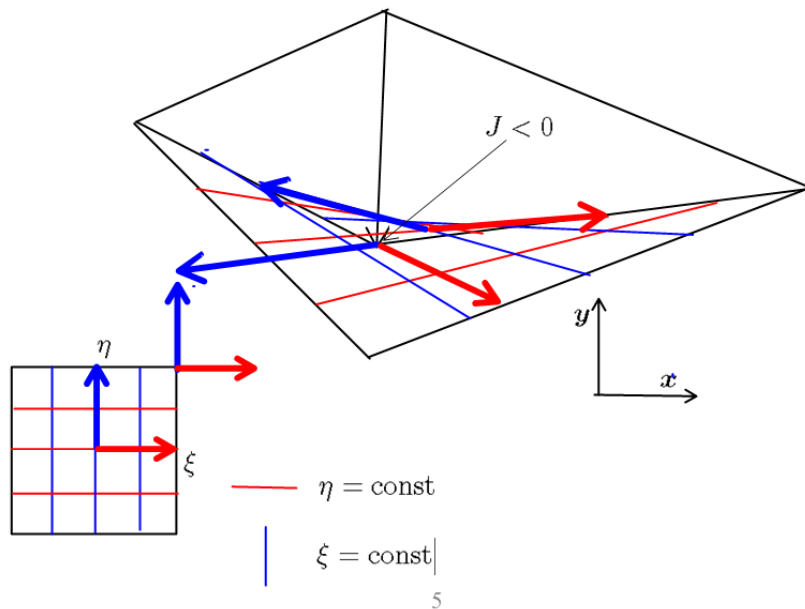
In this figure the Jacobian determinant attained a critical value at the corner where the red and blue vectors point in opposite directions. Since they are co-linear, the Jacobian at that point vanishes.





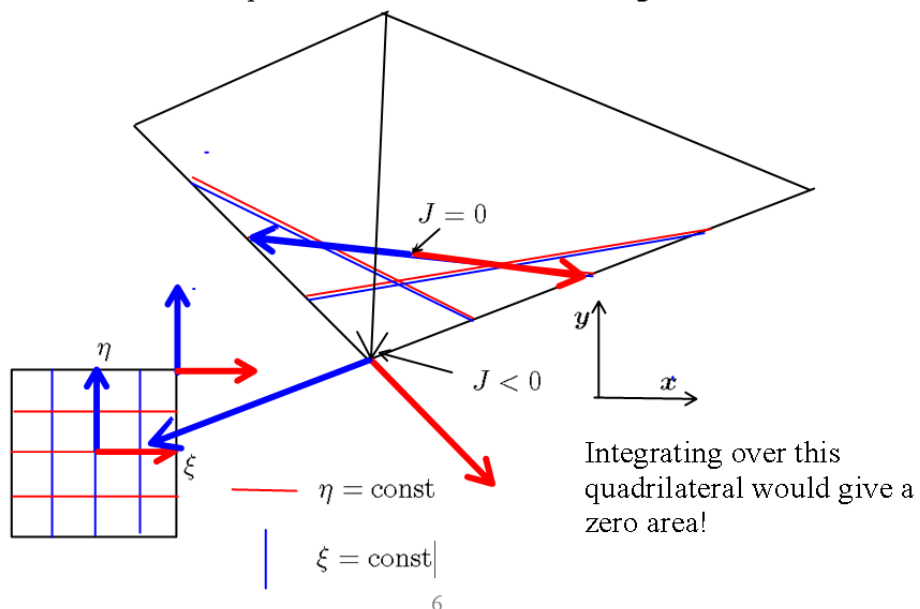
Panel 5

Moving the corner further inverts the orientation of the red and blue vectors, and their cross product (the Jacobian) now becomes negative.



Panel 6

Now the node was moved all the way and coincides now with the opposite corner node. At all points the quadrilateral is overlaid over itself, once in a positive sense and once in a negative sense.



Panel 1

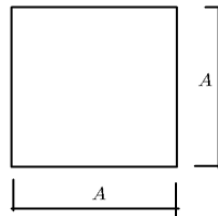
## Exercise 123-c

Compute the elementwise conductivity matrix of a square Q4 element using a one-point Gaussian rule. Assume homogeneous isotropic thermal conductivity. Assess the rank of the resulting conductivity matrices.

1

Panel 2

Mesh

Node  $x$   $y$ 

1	0	0
2	$A$	0
3	$A$	$A$
4	0	$A$

*Element nodes: 1, 2, 3, 4*

Elementwise conductivity matrix is evaluated from (6.24)

$$K_{ji}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} (\text{grad} N_j) \kappa (\text{grad} N_i)^T \Delta z \, dS$$

where  $S_e$  is the element area. Using the matrix of the gradients of the basis functions (analogous to (6.44)), we can compute the elementwise matrix in one shot as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} [\text{grad} N] \kappa [\text{grad} N]^T \Delta z \, dS$$

2

Panel 3

To evaluate the integral

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} [\text{grad} N] \kappa [\text{grad} N]^T \Delta z dS$$

Using a numerical quadrature rule as

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^M \kappa [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)] [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)]^T \Delta z \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k \\ = \kappa \Delta z \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)] [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k \end{aligned}$$

we see that we need to evaluate the spatial gradients of the basis functions and the Jacobian, both at the quadrature point

3

Panel 4

The proceedings will be much simplified with computer algebra.

Using Matlab:

```
>> x=[0,0;A,0;A,A;0,A];
syms A xi eta real
N=[(xi-1)*(eta-1)/4; (xi+1)*(eta-1)/-4; (xi+1)*(eta+1)/4; (xi-1)*(eta+1)/-4]
Nder=[diff(N,'xi'),diff(N,'eta')]
```

N =

```
1/4*(xi-1)*(eta-1)
-1/4*(xi+1)*(eta-1)
1/4*(xi+1)*(eta+1)
-1/4*(xi-1)*(eta+1)
```

← Basis functions  
(9.4-6)

Nder =

```
[ 1/4*eta-1/4, 1/4*xi-1/4]
[ -1/4*eta+1/4, -1/4*xi-1/4]
[ 1/4*eta+1/4, 1/4*xi+1/4]
[ -1/4*eta-1/4, -1/4*xi+1/4]
```

← Matrix of basis  
function  
gradients with  
respect to  
parametric  
coordinates

4

Panel 5

```
>> J=simplify(x'*Nder)
```

```
J =
```

```
[ 1/2*A, 0]
[ 0, 1/2*A]
```

Jacobian matrix  
(6.40): note that  
it is constant...

```
>> det(J)
```

```
ans =
```

```
1/4*A^2
```

... and so is the  
Jacobian

The one-point Gaussian quadrature has a table

$(\xi_k, \eta_k)$	$W_k$
<b>(0,0)</b>	<b>4</b>

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Panel 6

Evaluating the spatial gradient at a quadrature point gives

```
>> xi=0;eta=0; ←  $(\xi_k, \eta_k)$ 
subs(Nder*Jinv) ←
```

```
ans =
```

```
[ -1/2/A, -1/2/A]
[ 1/2/A, -1/2/A]
[ 1/2/A, 1/2/A]
[ -1/2/A, 1/2/A]
```

See below  
formula 6.44)

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Panel 7

Thus we have the conductivity matrix of the element from the one-point quadrature as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)] [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k$$

```
>> xi=0;eta=0;
K=subs(Nder*Jinv)*subs(Nder*Jinv)'+det(J)*4
```

K =

```
[ 1/2,    0, -1/2,    0]
[    0, 1/2,    0, -1/2]
[-1/2,    0, 1/2,    0]
[    0, -1/2,    0, 1/2]
```

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 0 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 0 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Panel 8

The rank of the conductivity matrix should be 3: the constant temperature vector should be the only eigenvector associated with a zero eigenvalue. For the one-point quadrature we do not get this:

```
>> rank(K)
```

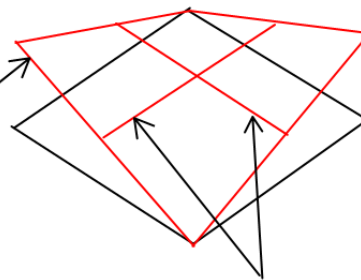
```
ans =
```

```
2
```

```
>> [V,D]=eig(K)
```

```
V =
[ 0, 1, 0, 1]
[ 1, 0, 1, 0]
[ 0, -1, 0, 1]
[-1, 0, 1, 0]
```

```
D =
[ 1, 0, 0, 0]
[ 0, 1, 0, 0]
[ 0, 0, 0, 0]
[ 0, 0, 0, 0]
```



Zero gradient of temperature along these two lines: therefore also zero heat flux.

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Panel 9

Similarly for the other zero-eigenvalue eigenvector.

```
>> rank(K)
```

```
ans =
```

```
2
```

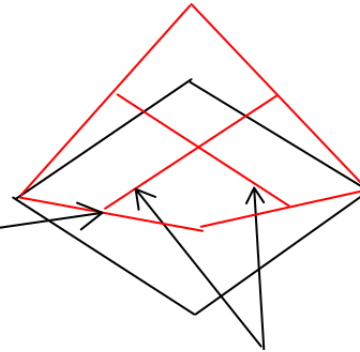
```
>> [V,D]=eig(K)
```

```
V =
```

```
[ 0, 1, 0, 1]
[ 1, 0, 1, 0]
[ 0, -1, 0, 1]
[-1, 0, 1, 0]
```

```
D =
```

```
[ 1, 0, 0, 0]
[ 0, 1, 0, 0]
[ 0, 0, 0, 0]
[ 0, 0, 0, 0]
```



Zero gradient of temperature along these two lines: therefore also zero heat flux.

**Conclusion: one-point Gaussian quadrature does not provide sufficiently accurate integration of the conductivity matrix, which ends up having too many zero eigenvalues.**

Panel 1

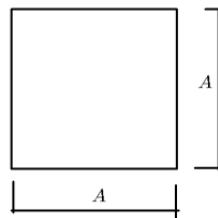
## Exercise 123-d

Compute the elementwise conductivity matrix of a square Q4 element using a four-point Gaussian rule. Assume homogeneous isotropic thermal conductivity. Assess the rank of the resulting conductivity matrices.

1

Panel 2

Mesh: same as in  
exercise 123-c



Node  $x$   $y$

1	0	0
2	$A$	0
3	$A$	$A$
4	0	$A$

*Element nodes: 1, 2, 3, 4*

Elementwise conductivity matrix is evaluated from (6.24)

$$K_{ji}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} (\text{grad} N_j) \kappa (\text{grad} N_i)^T \Delta z \, dS$$

where  $S_e$  is the element area. Using the matrix of the gradients of the basis functions (analogous to (6.44)), we can compute the elementwise matrix in one shot as

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} [\text{grad} N] \kappa [\text{grad} N]^T \Delta z \, dS$$

2

Panel 3

To evaluate the integral

$$\mathbf{K}^{(e)} = \int_{S_e} [\text{grad} N] \kappa [\text{grad} N]^T \Delta z dS$$

Using a numerical quadrature rule as

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^M \kappa [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)] [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)]^T \Delta z \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k \\ = \kappa \Delta z \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)] [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k \end{aligned}$$

we see that we need to evaluate the spatial gradients of the basis functions and the Jacobian, both at the quadrature point

3

Panel 4

The proceedings will be much simplified with computer algebra.

Using Matlab (as in exercise 123-c):

```
>> x=[0,0;A,0;A,A;0,A];
syms A xi eta real
N=[(xi-1)*(eta-1)/4; (xi+1)*(eta-1)/-4; (xi+1)*(eta+1)/4; (xi-1)*(eta+1)/-4]
Nder=[diff(N,'xi'),diff(N,'eta')]
```

N =

```
1/4*(xi-1)*(eta-1)
-1/4*(xi+1)*(eta-1)
1/4*(xi+1)*(eta+1)
-1/4*(xi-1)*(eta+1)
```

← Basis functions  
(9.4-6)

Nder =

```
[ 1/4*eta-1/4, 1/4*xi-1/4]
[ -1/4*eta+1/4, -1/4*xi-1/4]
[ 1/4*eta+1/4, 1/4*xi+1/4]
[ -1/4*eta-1/4, -1/4*xi+1/4]
```

← Matrix of basis  
function  
gradients with  
respect to  
parametric  
coordinates

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Panel 5

```
>> J=simplify(x'*Nder)

J =
[ 1/2*A,    0]
[    0, 1/2*A] ← Jacobian matrix (6.40): note that it is constant...

>> det(J)

ans =
1/4*A^2 ← ... and so is the Jacobian
```

The four-point Gaussian quadrature has a table

$(\xi_k, \eta_k)$	$W_k$
<code>&gt;&gt; get(gauss_rule(2,2), 'param_coords')</code>	<code>&gt;&gt; get(gauss_rule(2,2), 'weights')</code>
ans =	ans =
-0.577350269189626   -0.577350269189626	1
-0.577350269189626   0.577350269189626	1
0.577350269189626   -0.577350269189626	1
0.577350269189626   0.577350269189626	1

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Panel 6

Thus we have the conductivity matrix of the element from the four-point quadrature as

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \sum_{k=1}^M [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)] [\text{grad} N(\xi_k, \eta_k)]^T \det [J(\xi_k, \eta_k)] W_k$$

```
xi=-0.577350269189626 ;eta=-0.577350269189626;
K1 =subs(Nder*Jinv)*subs(Nder*Jinv) '*det(J)*1
xi=-0.577350269189626 ;eta= 0.577350269189626;
K2 =subs(Nder*Jinv)*subs(Nder*Jinv) '*det(J)*1
xi= 0.577350269189626 ;eta=-0.577350269189626;
K3 =subs(Nder*Jinv)*subs(Nder*Jinv) '*det(J)*1
xi=0.577350269189626 ;eta=0.577350269189626;
K4 =subs(Nder*Jinv)*subs(Nder*Jinv) '*det(J)*1
```

```
>> K=simplify(K1+K2+K3+K4)
```

```
K =
[ 2/3, -1/6, -1/3, -1/6]
[ -1/6, 2/3, -1/6, -1/3]
[ -1/3, -1/6, 2/3, -1/6]
[ -1/6, -1/3, -1/6, 2/3]
```

$$K^{(e)} = \kappa \Delta z \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & -1/6 & -1/3 & -1/6 \\ -1/6 & 2/3 & -1/6 & -1/3 \\ -1/3 & -1/6 & 2/3 & -1/6 \\ -1/6 & -1/3 & -1/6 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Panel 7

The rank of the conductivity matrix should be 3: the constant temperature vector should be the only eigenvector associated with a zero eigenvalue. For the four-point quadrature we do get it:

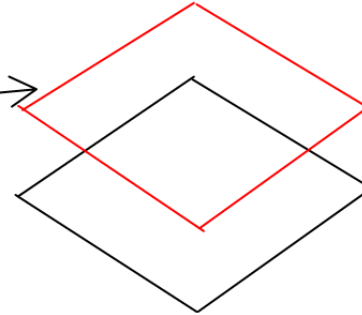
$[V,D]=\text{eig}(K)$

$V =$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$D =$

$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$



**Conclusion: four-point Gaussian quadrature provides a sufficiently accurate integration of the conductivity matrix.**

Panel 1

## Exercise 138

Use Richardson extrapolation to estimate the relative errors of the first 10 frequencies of a simply supported prestressed cable.

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Panel 2

The plan is as follows: set up three progressively finer meshes for which the natural frequencies will be computed. Then, for each frequency the sequence of the three results will be processed by Richardson extrapolation to obtain the estimate of the limit of the sequence, that is the estimate of the "true" natural frequency.

Since we are interested in the first 10 natural frequencies, the first mesh must be sufficiently fine in order to have at a minimum 10 degrees of freedom in the model. We may recognize that the absolute minimum of elements to give us 10 degrees of freedom is 11. In anticipation of the highest frequency being in substantial error, we will start with 15 elements, and then double the number twice to produce the series of meshes.

2

Panel 3

The following code first solves for the frequencies for three progressively finer meshes (wvibRich.m):

```
disp('Taut wire, simple supported: Richardson extrap of frequencies');
L=3.5; P=20; mu= 0.0150;
neigs=10;
ns=[1,2,4]*15; % number of elements
analyt_errors = zeros(length(ns),neigs);
Frequencies = zeros(length(ns),neigs);
for mesh=1:length(ns)
    [fens,gcells]= blockId(L,ns(mesh), 1.0);
    feb = feblock_defor_taut_wire(struct('mater',mater,'gcells',gcells,...
        'integration_rule',gauss_rule(1,2),'P',P,'mu',mu));
    geom = field(struct('name','geom','dim',1,'fens',fens));
    w = 0*clone(geom,'w');
    fenids=[1,ns(mesh)+1]; prescribed=[1,1]; component=[1,1]; val=[0,0];
    w = set_ebc(w, fenids, prescribed, component, val);
    w = apply_ebc(w); w = numbereqns(w);
    K = start(sparse_sysmat, get(w,'neqns'));
    K = assemble(K, stiffness(feb, geom, w));
    M = start(sparse_sysmat, get(w,'neqns'));
    M = assemble(M, mass(feb, geom, w));
    [W,Omega]=eigs(get(K,'mat'),get(M,'mat'),neigs,'SM');
    [Omegas,ix]=sort(diag(Omega));

    for i=1:neigs
        analyt_frequency =sqrt((P/mu*(i*pi/L)^2))/2/pi;
        Frequencies(mesh,i) =sqrt(Omegas(i))/2/pi;
        analyt_errors(mesh,i) =...
            (Frequencies(mesh,i)-analyt_frequency)/(analyt_frequency);
    end
end
```

Analytical solution is available

Numerical

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Panel 4

Running the code produces these computed frequencies. First row the coarsest mesh, last row the finest mesh, frequency increasing left to right.

Frequencies =

5.2259	10.5092	15.9077	21.4799	27.2837	33.3740	39.7958	46.5713	53.6774	61.0082
5.2188	10.4519	15.7136	21.0185	26.3809	31.8155	37.3369	42.9597	48.6985	54.5674
5.2170	10.4376	15.6653	20.9038	26.1566	31.4273	36.7196	42.0370	47.3832	52.7618

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Panel 5

The following piece of code estimates the "true"  $i$ th frequency using Richardson extrapolation from results on three meshes, and estimates the true relative error.

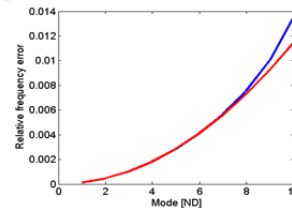
Estimated  $i$ th frequency

Computed  $i$ th frequency on three meshes

Mesh size (length/number of elements)

```
Estimated_errors(1:neigs) = 0;
for i=1:neigs
    [xestim, beta] = richextrapol(Frequencies(:,i),L./ns);
    Estimated_errors(i) = (Frequencies(end,i)-xestim)/xestim;
end
figure;
plot (Estimated_errors,'linewidth', 3);
hold on
plot (analyt_errors(end,:), 'r','linewidth', 3);
set(gca,'FontSize', 14)
xlabel(' Mode [ND]');      ylabel('Relative frequency error');
```

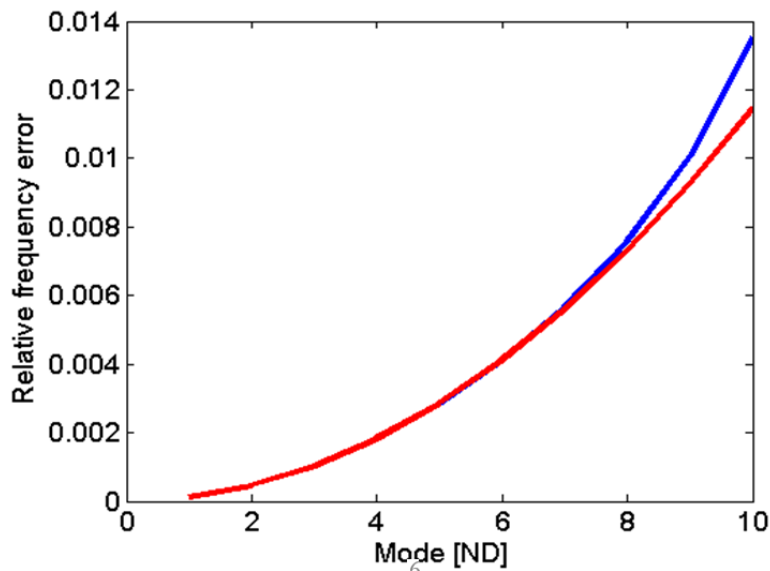
The estimated relative error is compared with the analytical true relative error (available, in this case):



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Panel 6

The graph below indicates the relationship between the true relative error (in red) and the estimated relative error (in blue). We can see that for the lower modes the estimation works very well, and becomes progressively less accurate for higher modes.



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Panel 7

For the present problem an analytical formula for the frequencies was available. We can see that if that was not the case, the Richardson extrapolation would be able to give us an estimate of the error of the computed solution with quite reasonable accuracy. For instance, in the present problem while the 10th frequency computed on the finest mesh was obtained with a relative error of 1.4%, the extrapolated value would be in error only by 0.2% .