



Finite Element Method (2)

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Outline

- Order Reduction using Integration By Parts
- Galerkin's Method
- 2D using Triangular Elements
- 2D Example



Reference

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Order Reduction

- 2nd order differential equations can be reduced to 1st order:

$$\int_a^b u dv = uv \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b v du$$

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{dy}{dx} \right] dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} d \left[\frac{dy}{dx} \right]$$



Interpolation Methods

- Use interpolation functions, and try to minimize residual errors



Residual Minimization

$$\frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2} = -f(x) \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2} + f(x) = 0$$

This can be expressed as a “Residual” equation:

$$R = \frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2} + f(x)$$

R needs to be minimized towards zero, using the *Method of Weighted Residuals (MWR)*:

$$\int_D R W_i dD = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

N_i = linearly independent weighting functions

D = solution domain

i = indices for domain (eg. x_1 to x_2 , y_1 to y_2 , ...)



Galerkin's Method

- Use N_i as the weighting function W_i .
- Example: 1D element between x_1 and x_2 . Then the domain D is x , ranging between $x_1 \rightarrow x_2$ ($i = 1,2$):

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \left[\frac{d^2V}{dx^2} + f(x) \right] N_i dx = 0, \quad i = 1,2$$

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \left[\frac{d^2V}{dx^2} \right] N_i dx = - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_i dx$$



Galerkin's Method (2)

Using integration by parts:

$$u = N_i, \quad du = dN_i = \left[\frac{dN_i}{dx} \right] dx, \quad dv = \left[\frac{d^2V}{dx^2} \right] dx = d\left[\frac{dV}{dx} \right]$$

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} N_i \left[\frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2} \right] dx = N_i \frac{dV}{dx} \Big|_{x_1}^{x_2} - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dV}{dx} \frac{dN_i}{dx} dx$$

For $i=1$, $N_1(x_2)=0$, $N_1(x_1)=1$:
$$N_1 \frac{dV}{dx} \Big|_{x_1}^{x_2} = - \frac{dV(x_1)}{dx}$$

For $i=2$, $N_2(x_2)=1$, $N_2(x_1)=0$:
$$N_2 \frac{dV}{dx} \Big|_{x_1}^{x_2} = \frac{dV(x_2)}{dx}$$



Galerkin's Method (3)

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \left[\frac{d^2 V}{dx^2} \right] N_i dx = - \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_i dx$$

For $i=1, 2$:

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dV}{dx} \frac{dN_1}{dx} dx = - \frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_1 dx$$
$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dV}{dx} \frac{dN_2}{dx} dx = \frac{dV(x_2)}{dx} + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_2 dx$$

From previous lecture for dN_i/dx :

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dV}{dx} \frac{dN_1}{dx} dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{V_2 - V_1}{x_2 - x_1} \left[\frac{-1}{x_2 - x_1} \right] dx = \frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} (V_1 - V_2)$$

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{dV}{dx} \frac{dN_2}{dx} dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{V_2 - V_1}{x_2 - x_1} \left[\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} \right] dx = \frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} (-V_1 + V_2)$$



Galerkin's Method (4): Local Matrix

$$\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} (V_1 - V_2) = -\frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_1 dx$$
$$\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} (-V_1 + V_2) = \frac{dV(x_2)}{dx} + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_2 dx$$

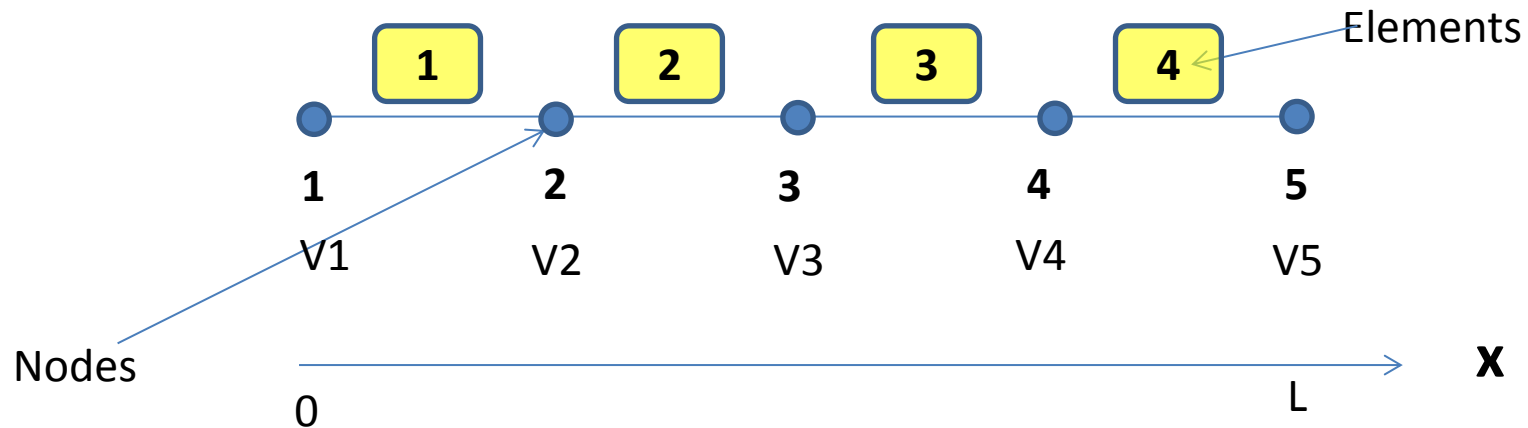
In Matrix form, all D.E. terms are reduced to 0th and 1st order:

$$\frac{1}{x_2 - x_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ V_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} \\ \frac{dV(x_2)}{dx} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_1 dx \\ \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_2 dx \end{bmatrix}$$

Element Stiffness Matrix Nodes Boundary Conditions External Effects



1D Example: Poisson's Equation for Potential ($f(x) \neq 0$)



$$\frac{d^2V(x)}{dx^2} = -f(x)$$

where $f(x) = \rho/\epsilon$

Boundary Conditions: $V(0) = V_1, \quad V(L) = V_5$



Assembly of Local Equations into Global Matrix

- $f(x) = 10V/cm^2$

- Boundary Conditions:

$$V(0) = 40V, \quad V(L) = 200V, \quad x_2 - x_1 = 2.5cm$$

$$[K][V_i] = [BC] + [E]$$

Stiffness Matrix Nodes Boundary Conditions External Effects



Global Stiffness Matrix

$$[K] = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.4 & & & & & \\ -0.4 & 0.4 + 0.4 & & & & & \\ & -0.4 & 0.4 + 0.4 & & & & \\ & & -0.4 & 0.4 + 0.4 & & & \\ & & & -0.4 & 0.4 + 0.4 & & \\ & & & & -0.4 & 0.4 + 0.4 & -0.4 \\ & & & & & -0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

1 V1 2 V2 3 V3 4 V4 5 V5



Boundary Conditions for Global Matrix

$$[BC] = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} \\ \frac{dV(x_2)}{dx} & -\frac{dV(x_2)}{dx} \\ \frac{dV(x_3)}{dx} & -\frac{dV(x_3)}{dx} \\ \frac{dV(x_4)}{dx} & -\frac{dV(x_4)}{dx} \\ \frac{dV(x_5)}{dx} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{dV(x_5)}{dx} \end{bmatrix}$$



External Effects for Global Matrix

$$[E] = \begin{bmatrix} \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_1 dx \\ \int_{x_1}^{x_2} [f(x)] N_2 dx + \int_{x_2}^{x_3} [f(x)] N_2 dx \\ \int_{x_2}^{x_3} [f(x)] N_3 dx + \int_{x_3}^{x_4} [f(x)] N_3 dx \\ \int_{x_3}^{x_4} [f(x)] N_4 dx + \int_{x_4}^{x_5} [f(x)] N_4 dx \\ \int_{x_4}^{x_5} [f(x)] N_5 dx \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12.5 \\ 12.5 + 12.5 \\ 12.5 + 12.5 \\ 12.5 + 12.5 \\ 12.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f(x) = F_1 = 10V/cm^2, \quad N_1 = \frac{x_2 - x}{x_2 - x_1}, \quad N_2 = \frac{x - x_1}{x_2 - x_1},$$

$$F_1 \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{x_2 - x}{x_2 - x_1} dx = \frac{F_1}{x_2 - x_1} \left[x_2 x - \frac{x^2}{2} \right] \Big|_{x_1}^{x_2} = \frac{F_1}{x_2 - x_1} \left\{ \left[x_2^2 - \frac{x_2^2}{2} \right] - \left[x_2 x_1 - \frac{x_1^2}{2} \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{F_1/2}{x_2 - x_1} [x_2 - x_1]^2 = \frac{F_1}{2} (x_2 - x_1) = \left(\frac{10}{2} V/cm^2 \right) (2.5cm) = 12.5V/cm$$



Solve Matrix Using BCs for Structure

- As before, remove $V_1 = 40V$ and $V_5 = 200V$ from matrix (BC):

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & -0.4 & & & \\ -0.4 & 0.8 & -0.4 & & \\ & -0.4 & 0.8 & -0.4 & \\ & & -0.4 & 0.8 & -0.4 \\ & & & -0.4 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 40 \\ V_2 \\ V_3 \\ V_4 \\ 200 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} + 12.5 \\ 25 \\ 25 \\ 25 \\ \frac{dV(x_5)}{dx} + 12.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- As in previous lecture, substitute for V_1 & V_5 and solve a **3x3** matrix (LU, GE, ...):
- Find V_2, V_3, V_4 : $V_2 = 173.75V$, $V_3 = 245V$, $V_4 = 253V$
- Solve for $\frac{dV(x_1)}{dx} = 66V/cm$, $\frac{dV(x_5)}{dx} = -34V/cm$