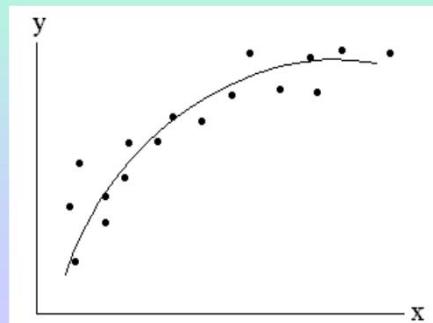


9. Approximation Theory (Spectral Methods)

§ Curve fitting

GIVEN: $(x_i, y_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N$

Find: a function which best approximates
the unknown function $y = f(x)$
(not necessary passing the data points)



Approximation Theory :

STEP1: choose a proper function from $y = f(x; a, b, c, \dots)$
with some adjustable parameters a, b, c, \dots

STEP2: optimize the fitting in some way, i.e., minimize the error term

$$E \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - f(x_i; a, b, c, \dots))^2 = E(a, b, c, \dots)$$

i.e. looking for a set of $\{a, b, c, \dots\}$ such that

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial c} = 0$$



Example: Given (x_i, y_i) and find a linear curve fitting.

Assume $y = ax + b$.

Define the derivation as

$$E \equiv \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - ax_i - b)^2 = E(a, b)$$

To minimize the error $E(a, b)$, we look for (a, b) such that

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^N 2(y_i - ax_i - b)(-x_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^N 2(y_i - ax_i - b)(-1)$$



$$0 = -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i + a \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 + b \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

$$0 = -\sum_{i=1}^N y_i + a \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + b \sum_{i=1}^N 1$$

$$a = \frac{N \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^N y_i \right)}{N \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right)^2}$$

$$b = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^N y_i \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right)}{N \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right)^2}$$



§ Approximation Theory

GIVEN: some function $f(x)$ and some domain $[a,b]$

STEP1: select a proper set of linearly independent functions $\{\phi_i(x)\}$

STEP2: approximate the function from $y = f(x)$ of the form

$$f(x) \approx S(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \phi_i(x)$$

which is expected to be convergent
to the exact function $f(x)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

STEP3: adjust the values of parameters $\{c_i\}$
so that the resulting approximation $S(x)$ is the best.



Definition (linearly Independence)

The set of functions $\{\phi_0(x), \phi_1(x), \phi_2(x), \dots, \phi_n(x)\}$ is said to be linearly independent on $[a,b]$ if whenever

$c_0 \phi_0(x) + c_1 \phi_1(x) + \dots + c_n \phi_n(x) = 0$ for $c_i's \in R$ and all $x \in [a,b]$,
then $c_0 = c_1 = \dots = c_n = 0$.



Definition (Orthogonal)

$\{\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$ is said to be an orthogonal set of functions on the interval $[a, b]$ with respect to the weight function $\omega(x)$ if

$$\int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ \alpha_i \neq 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases} = \alpha_i \delta_{ij}$$

where $\omega(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in [a, b]$
but $\omega(x) \neq 0$ on any subinterval of $[a, b]$

Definition (Ortho-Normal):: orthogonal with $\alpha_i=1$



$$f(x) \approx S(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \phi_i(x)$$

- Best approximation:
define the ω -weighted error term as follows

$$\begin{aligned} E &\equiv \int_a^b \omega(x) (f(x) - S(x))^2 dx \\ &= \int_a^b \omega(x) \left(f(x) - \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \phi_i(x) \right)^2 dx \end{aligned}$$

The best approximation has a set of $\{c_i\}$ which minimizes the error E .

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial c_j} = 0 \text{ for all } j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

~ (n+1) equations solve (n+1) unknowns $\{c_i\}$ ~

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \frac{\partial E}{\partial c_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial c_j} \int_a^b \omega(x) \left(f(x) - \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \phi_i(x) \right)^2 dx \\
 &= \int_a^b \omega(x) 2 \left(f(x) - \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \phi_i(x) \right) (-\phi_j(x)) dx \\
 &= -2 \left\{ \int_a^b \omega(x) f(x) \phi_j(x) dx - \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx \right\} \\
 &\quad \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx = \int_a^b \omega(x) f(x) \phi_j(x) dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$\sim (n+1)$ equations ($j=0,1,2,\dots,n$) for $(n+1)$ unknowns \sim
(solutions exists as long as $\{\phi_i\}$ is L.I.)

With orthogonality (not necessary), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ \alpha_i \neq 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases} = \alpha_i \delta_{ij} \\
 \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \alpha_i \delta_{ij} &= \int_a^b \omega(x) f(x) \phi_j(x) dx \\
 \alpha_j c_j &= \int_a^b \omega(x) f(x) \phi_j(x) dx \\
 c_j &= \int_a^b \omega(x) f(x) \phi_j(x) dx / \alpha_j \\
 &= \int_a^b \omega(x) f(x) \phi_j(x) dx / \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_j(x) \phi_j(x) dx
 \end{aligned}$$



§ Commonly used functions $\{\phi_i\}$

(i) Fourier series (orthogonal)

choose $[a, b] = [-\pi, \pi]$ and $w(x) = 1$ and

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_k(x) = \cos(kx) \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\phi_{k+n}(x) = \sin(kx) \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin^2(kx) dx = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos^2(kx) dx = \pi$$

$$\phi_k(x) = \exp(\sqrt{-1} kx), \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$



(ii) Chebychev polynomials (orthogonal)

choose $[a, b] = [-1, 1]$ and $w(x) = 1/\sqrt{1-x^2}$ and

$$\phi_k(x) = T_k(x) = \cos(k \cos^{-1} x) \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 T_k^2(x) / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \begin{cases} \pi/2 & \text{for } k \geq 1 \\ \pi & \text{for } k = 0 \end{cases}$$

(iii) Legendre polynomials (orthogonal)

choose $[a, b] = [-1, 1]$ and $w(x) = 1$ and

$$\phi_k(x) = L_k(x) \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 L_k^2(x) dx = \frac{2}{2k+1}$$



§ Application to ODEs ~ Rayleigh-Ritz method

Consider a linear 2nd - order ODE: $y = y(x)$

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left(p(x) \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + q(x)y = f(x)$$

$$\text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad y(0) = y(1) = 0$$

where $p(x) \in C^1[0,1]$, $q, f \in C^0[0,1]$

and $\exists \delta > 0 \ni p(x) \geq \delta \geq 0$ and $q(x) \geq 0$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$

(sufficient conditions for a unique solution)



PRINCIPLE OF VARIATION

The unique solution is the function which

- $\in C^2[0,1]$
- satisfies BCs
- minimizes the integral

$$I(u(x)) = \int_0^1 \left\{ p(x) \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 + q(x)u(x)^2 - 2f(x)u(x) \right\} dx$$



§ Approximation Theory ~ ONE IDEA

- select a set of $LI\{\phi_k(x)\}_{k=0}^n$
each of which satisfies the given BCs:

$$\phi_k(0) = \phi_k(1) = 0$$

Define $\Phi_n \equiv$ the set of functions spaned by $\{\phi_k(x)\}_{k=0}^n$

$$= \left\{ y_n(x) \mid y_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right\}$$



- select a function from Φ_n
to approximate the exact solution $y(x)$

$$y(x) \approx y_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \in \Phi_n$$

The approximation $y_n(x) \in \Phi_n \subseteq C^2[0,1]$ and \exists B.C.s

$$y_n(0) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(0) = 0$$

$$y_n(1) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(1) = 0$$

The exact solution $y(x) \in C^2[0,1]$ and \exists B.C.s

$\Phi_n \rightarrow C^2[0,1]$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

- Which y_n is the best? The one having a minimum value of I

Convergence: $y_n \rightarrow y(x)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

SOLUTION::

$$I(u(x)) \equiv \int_0^1 \left\{ p(x) \left(\frac{du}{dx} \right)^2 + q(x)u(x)^2 - 2f(x)u(x) \right\} dx$$

$$I(y_n(x) \in \Phi_n) = I\left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right)$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left\{ p(x) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi'_k(x) \right)^2 + q(x) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right)^2 - 2f(x) \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right\} dx$$

MINIMIZATION: $\frac{\partial I(\Phi)}{\partial c_j} = 0, \text{ for } j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{\partial I(\Phi)}{\partial c_j} \\
&= \frac{\partial}{\partial c_j} \int_0^1 \left\{ p(x) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi'_k(x) \right)^2 + q(x) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right)^2 - 2f(x) \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right\} dx \\
&= \int_0^1 \left\{ 2p(x) \phi'_j(x) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi'_k(x) \right) + 2q(x) \phi_j(x) \left(\sum_{k=0}^n c_k \phi_k(x) \right) - 2f(x) \phi_j(x) \right\} dx \\
&= 2 \sum_{k=0}^n \left\{ c_k \int_0^1 [p(x) \phi'_j(x) \phi'_k(x) + q(x) \phi_j(x) \phi_k(x)] dx \right\} - 2 \int_0^1 f(x) \phi_j(x) dx
\end{aligned}$$

$a_{kj} = a_{jk}$ b_j

Thus we obtain $\sum_{k=0}^n a_{jk} c_k = b_j$, for $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

~ Solving ODE becomes solving matrix (algebraic) equations ~

§ Application to PDE ~ spectral methods, finite element methods, etc.

Given: $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = L(u) + f(x, t)$

where L is some spartial operatior, e.g. Laplacian $L = \nabla^2$

$f(x, t)$ is a known external source term.

I.C.: $u(x, 0) = g(x)$, $a \leq x \leq b$

FIND: $u(x, t)$ for $t \geq 0$



§ Global approximation theory:

STEP1: find a set of LI $\{\phi_j(x)\}$ and

the associated weight function $w(x)$

$$u(x,t) \approx u_n(x,t) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) \phi_j(x)$$

P.S. The coefficients $\{c_j\}$ is a function of t now.

for all $x \in \Omega$

STEP2 : Substitute the above formula into PDE : $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = L(u) + f$

$$\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \phi_j(x) \stackrel{?}{=} L\left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j \phi_j(x)\right) + f(x,t)$$



§ Global approximation theory:

$$\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \phi_j(x) \stackrel{?}{=} L\left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j \phi_j(x)\right) + f(x,t)$$

Let $\Phi_n \equiv$ the space spaned by $\{\phi_j^k(x)\}_{j=0}^n$.

$LHS \in \Phi_n$

$RHS \stackrel{?}{\in} \Phi_n$

not necessary!



- Several ways to obtain an approximation:

(i) best approximation: look for a set of $\{c_j(t)\}$ which minimizes

$$\left\| \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \phi_j(x) - L \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j \phi_j(x) \right) - f(x, t) \right\|$$

(ii) Collocation methods : choose a set of nodes $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$ at which

$$\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \phi_j(x_i) = L \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j \phi_j(x_i) \right) + f(x_i, t)$$

(iii) Galerkin approximation

$$\int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \cdot \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \phi_j(x) dx$$

$$= \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) L \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j \phi_j(x) \right) dx + \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) f(x, t) dx$$


§ Galerkin approximation – linear L

$$\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \cdot \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^n c_j \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) L \phi_j(x) dx + \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) f(x, t) dx$$

define $a_{ij} = \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx = \delta_{ij}$ if ω – orthonormal

$$b_{ij} = \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) L \phi_j(x) dx$$

$$r_i(t) = \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) f(x, t) dx$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^n a_{ij} \frac{dc_j}{dt} = \sum_{j=0}^n b_{ij} c_j(t) + r_i(t)$$

\sim PDE is reduced to a system of coupled ODEs \sim
 \sim go time-marching \sim



- special case: ω -orthonormal $\{\phi_j(x)\}$: $a_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$

$$\frac{dc_j}{dt} = \sum_{j=0}^n b_j c_j(t) + r_i(t) \quad \sim \text{decoupled on LHS} \sim$$

§ Initial Conditions, i.e. $c_j(0)$

$$u(x, 0) = g(x) \approx u_n(x, 0) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(0) \phi_j(x)$$

$$\bullet \text{best approximation : minimize } \left\| g(x) - \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(0) \phi_j(x) \right\|$$

$$\bullet \text{Collocation: } g(x_i) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(0) \phi_j(x_i)$$

$$\bullet \text{Galerkin: } \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) g(x) dx = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(0) \int_a^b \omega(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx$$

§ Boundary Conditions:



e.g. $Bu(x, t) = 0$ for some linear spatial operator B

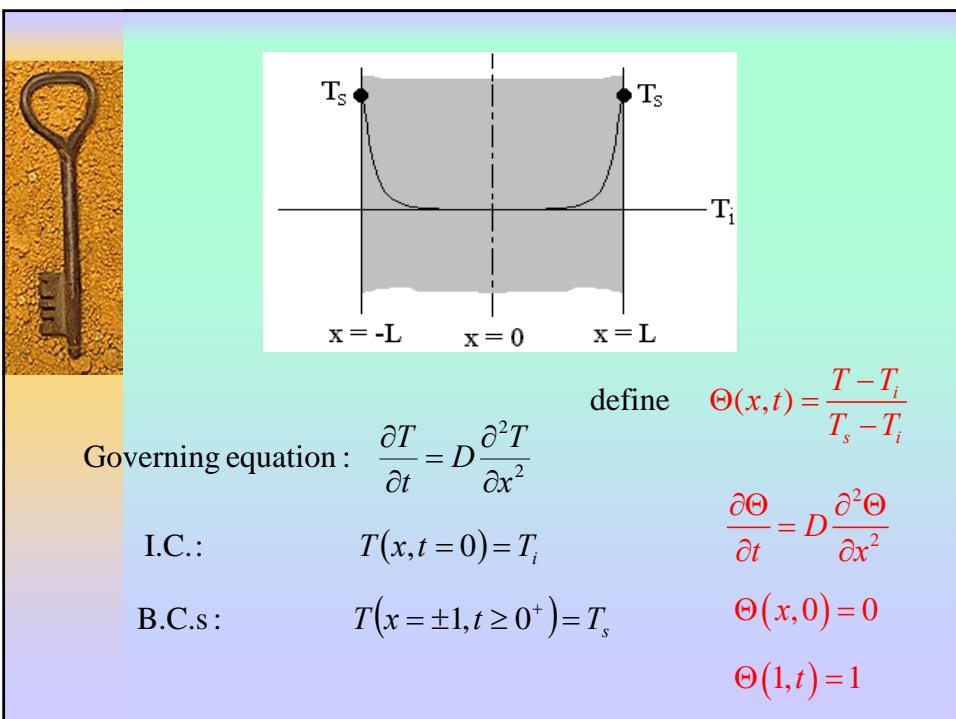
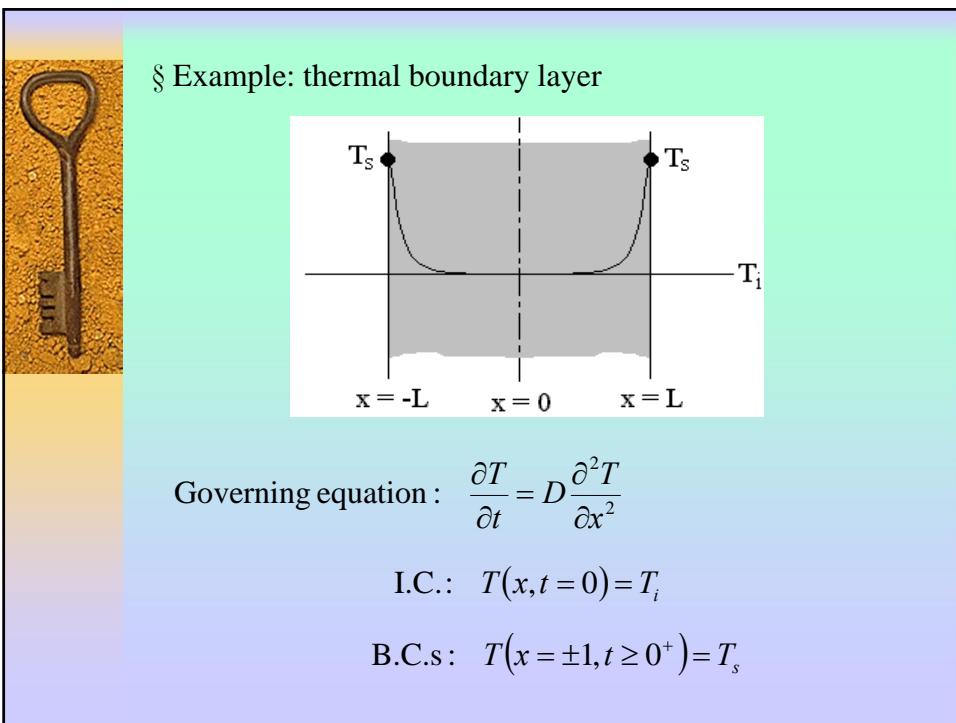
(a) select $\{\phi_j(x)\}$ with the additional restriction

that each $\phi_j(x) \in BCs$. i.e. $B\phi_j(x) = 0$

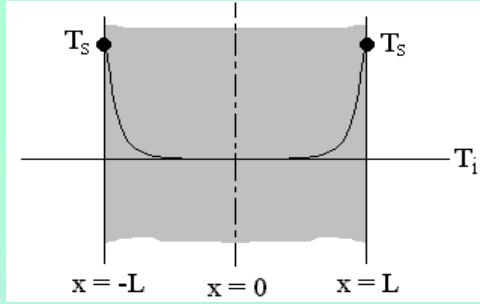
$$\Rightarrow Bu_n(x, t) = B \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) \phi_j(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) B\phi_j(x) = 0$$

(b) (Tau method) Discard as many ODEs as the number of BCs and impose

$$Bu_n(x, t) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) B\phi_j(x) = 0$$







- A thermal boundary layer is expected to develop near $x = \pm 1$
 \Rightarrow better denser grid points near $x = \pm 1$
- Expect the solution is symmetric.
 \Rightarrow choose Chebychev polynomials of even degrees

$$\{T_{2j}(x) = \cos(2j\cos^{-1}x)\}$$

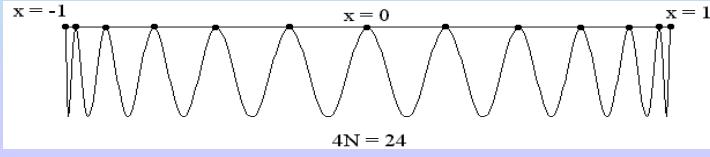

§ collocation + τ methods

- choose $\phi_j(x) = T_{2j}(x)$

$$\Theta(x, t) \approx \Theta_n(x, t) \equiv \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) T_{2j}(x)$$

- collocation grid points: choose the locations of peaks of Chebychev,

$x_i \equiv$ locations of peak of $T_{4n}(x) = \cos\left(\frac{2(n-i)\pi}{4n}\right) \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$



§ collocation + τ methods

$$\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\Theta(x, t) \approx \Theta_n(x, t) \equiv \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) T_{2j}(x)$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} T_{2j}(x) \stackrel{?}{=} D \sum_{j=0}^n c_j \frac{d^2 T_{2j}(x)}{dx^2}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} T_{2j}(x_i) = D \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) \frac{d^2 T_{2j}(x)}{dx^2}(x_i)$$

for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ($i = n$ discarded)

$$\text{B.C.: } \Theta(1, t) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) T_{2j}(1) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) = 1$$

• Initial Conditions

$$\Theta(x, t) \approx \Theta_n(x, t) \equiv \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(t) T_{2j}(x)$$

$$\Theta(x_i, 0) = 0 = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(0) T_{2j}(x_i)$$

for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

$$\Theta(\pm 1, 0) = 1 = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j(0)$$

$\sim (n+1)$ equations for $(n+1)$ unknowns \sim



§ Galerkin method+ $\{\phi_j(x)\}$ & B.C.s

- Since $T_0(x) = 1$ and $T_{2j}(\pm 1) = 1$

Let $\phi_j(x) \equiv T_{2j}(x) - T_0(x)$. Thus $\phi_j(\pm 1) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta(x, t) &\approx \Theta_n(x, t) \equiv 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \phi_j(x) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) (T_{2j}(x) - T_0(x))\end{aligned}$$

$$\Theta_n(\pm 1, t) = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \phi_j(\pm 1) = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \cdot 0 = 1 \text{ & B.C.s}$$



- Substitute into governing equation: $\frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 \Theta}{\partial x^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_n(x, t) &= 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \phi_j(x) \\ \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \phi_j(x) &\stackrel{?}{=} D \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \frac{d^2 \phi_j(x)}{dx^2}\end{aligned}$$

- Use orthogonal property:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{dc_j}{dt} \cdot \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\phi_i(x) \phi_j(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = D \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\phi_i(x) (d^2 \phi_j(x)/dx^2)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \frac{dc_j}{dt} = D \sum_{j=1}^n b_{ij} c_j(t) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$



$$a_{ij} = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\phi_i(x)\phi_j(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx \quad , \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 (T_{2i}(x) - T_0(x))(T_{2j}(x) - T_0(x)) / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 (T_{2i}T_{2j} - T_0T_{2i} - T_0T_{2j} + T_0^2) / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

$$= \begin{cases} \pi & \text{if } i \neq j \\ \frac{3\pi}{2} & \text{if } i = j \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



$$b_{ij} \equiv \int_{-1}^1 \phi_i(x) \frac{d^2\phi_j(x)}{dx^2} / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left\{ (T_{2i}(x) - T_0(x)) \cdot \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (T_{2j}(x) - T_0(x)) \right\} / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left\{ (T_{2i} - T_0) \cdot \frac{d^2 T_{2j}}{dx^2} \right\} / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

$$\frac{d^2 T_{2j}(x)}{dx^2} = P_{2j-2}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \gamma_k T_{2k}(x)$$

$$b_{ij} = \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \gamma_k \cdot \int_{-1}^1 (T_{2i}T_{2k} - T_0T_{2k}) / \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$



- Initial Conditions: $\Theta(x, 0) = 0$

$$\Theta_n(x, t) = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(t) \phi_j(x)$$

$$\Theta_n(x, 0) = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(0) \phi_j(x)$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{(\Theta(x, 0) - 1) \phi_i(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j(0) \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\phi_i(x) \phi_j(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$$

$$\pi = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{(1 - T_{2i}(x))}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} c_j(0) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$



♣ Local approximation theory

- divide the interested domain $\Omega \equiv [a, b]$

into several subdomains $\Omega = \bigcup_{k=1}^K \Omega_k$

$$u(x, t) \approx u_n^k(x, t) \equiv \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k(t) \phi_j^k(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \Omega_k$$

P.S. $\{\phi_j^k(x)\}_{j=0}^n$ is different from one subdomain to another.

i.e. require K sets of L.I. functions $\{\phi_j^k(x)\}_{j=0}^n$

and will have K sets of corresponding coefficients $\{c_j^k(t)\}_{j=0}^n$



§ Finite Element Methods ~ piecewise approximation

Test problem : (domain Ω with boundary $\partial\Omega$)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(p(x,y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(q(x,y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) + r(x,y)u(x,y) = f(x,y)$$
$$u(x,y) = g(x,y) \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

PRINCIPLE OF VARIATION ::

The exact solution (if exists and unique) is the function $\in C^2(\Omega)$ which satisfies BCs and minimizes the value of

$$I(u) = \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[p(x,y) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + q(x,y) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 - r(x,y)u^2 \right] + f(x,y)u(x,y) \right\} dx dy$$



STEP1: Divide the interested domain into several parts, i.e. $\Omega = \bigcup_{k=1}^K \Omega_k$

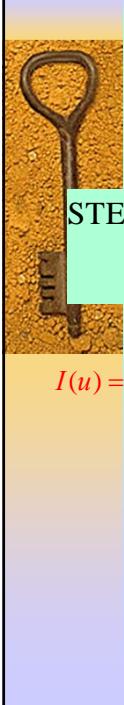
Each subdomain Ω_k is called an "element".



STEP2: within each subdomain Ω_k , choose a proper set of $\left\{ \phi_j^k(x,y) \right\}_{j=0}^n$

$$u(x,y) \approx u_n^k(x,y) \equiv \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k \phi_j^k(x,y) \quad \text{for } (x,y) \in \Omega_k$$

P.S. $\left\{ \phi_j^k(x,y) \right\}_{j=0}^n$ are different from one element to another in general.



$$\text{Put } u(x, y) \approx \bigcup_{k=1}^K u_n^k(x, y) = \bigcup_{k=1}^K \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k \phi_j^k(x, y)$$

STEP3: Look for the values of $\{c_j^k\}$, $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $k = 0, 1, \dots, K$
such that $\{u_n^k(x, y)\}$ minimizes $I(u)$

$$I(u) = \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[p(x, y) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + q(x, y) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 - r(x, y) u^2 \right] + f(x, y) u(x, y) \right\} dx dy$$

$$\text{Thus } I(u) = \int_{\Omega} \cdots = \sum_{k=1}^K \int_{\Omega_k} \cdots = I(c_j^k)$$



Therefore for all $i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ and all $m \in \{0, 1, \dots, K\}$

$$0 = \frac{\partial I(u)}{\partial c_i^m} \quad \text{required (minimized)}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial c_i^m} \sum_{k=1}^K \int_{\Omega_k} \frac{1}{2} p(x, y) \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k \frac{\partial \phi_j^k}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial c_i^m} \int_{\Omega_m} \frac{1}{2} p(x, y) \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \dots$$

$$= \int_{\Omega_m} \frac{\partial}{\partial c_i^m} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} p(x, y) \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \dots \right\} dx dy \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial x} \delta_{ij} = \frac{\partial \phi_i^m}{\partial x}$$

$$= \int_{\Omega_m} \left\{ p(x, y) \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial x} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial c_i^m} \left(\sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial x} \right) + \dots \right\} dx dy$$



$0 = \frac{\partial I(u)}{\partial c_i^m}$ required (minimized)

$$= \int_{\Omega_m} \left\{ p(x, y) \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \phi_i^m}{\partial x} + q(x, y) \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \frac{\partial \phi_j^m}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \phi_i^m}{\partial y} \right.$$

$$\left. - r(x, y) \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^m \phi_j^m \phi_i^m + f(x, y) \phi_i^m \right\} dx dy$$

After rearrangement : (change variable $m \rightarrow k$)

$$0 = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k \cdot \int_{\Omega_k} \left\{ p(x, y) \frac{\partial \phi_j^k}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \phi_i^k}{\partial x} + q(x, y) \frac{\partial \phi_j^k}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \phi_i^k}{\partial y} - r(x, y) \phi_j^k \phi_i^k \right\} dx dy$$

$$- \int_{\Omega_k} f(x, y) \phi_i^k(x, y) dx dy$$


$a_{ij}^k = \int_{\Omega_k} \left\{ p(x, y) \frac{\partial \phi_j^k}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \phi_i^k}{\partial x} + q(x, y) \frac{\partial \phi_j^k}{\partial y} \frac{\partial \phi_i^k}{\partial y} - r(x, y) \phi_j^k \phi_i^k \right\} dx dy$
 $= a_{ji}^k$

 $b_i^k = - \int_{\Omega_k} f(x, y) \phi_i^k(x, y) dx dy$
 $\sum_{j=0}^n a_{ij}^k c_j^k = b_i^k \quad \text{or} \quad A^k c^k = b^k \sim \text{elemental matrix equation}$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots, K$

- A^k is singular! i.e. Each element matrix equation is underdeterminate.
- too many degrees of freedom!

- Continuity requirement : if $(x, y) \in \Omega_{k_1}$, and also $\in \Omega_{k_2}$, then

$$u(x, y) \approx u_n^{k_1} = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^{k_1} \phi_j^{k_1}(x, y)$$

$$u(x, y) \approx u_n^{k_2} = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^{k_2} \phi_j^{k_2}(x, y)$$

Thus C^0 -requirement needs

$$\sum_{j=0}^n c_j^{k_1} \phi_j^{k_1}(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^{k_2} \phi_j^{k_2}(x, y)$$

\Rightarrow The minimization problem should be redone
with the C^0 -requirements

§ Example: use collocation points

STEP1: within element Ω_k , choose $(n+1)$ points

denoted by (x_i^k, y_i^k) for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

STEP2 : within each element, choose an interpoint function,
say two - dimentional Lagrangian polynomials, $\phi_i^k(x, y)$

$$\phi_i^k(x, y) \equiv \prod_{\substack{l=0 \\ l \neq i}}^n \frac{\sqrt{(x - x_l^k)^2 + (y - y_l^k)^2}}{\sqrt{(x_i^k - x_l^k)^2 + (y_i^k - y_l^k)^2}} \quad \exists \phi_i^k(x_j^k, y_j^k) = \delta_{ij}$$

and approximate the desired function as

$$u(x, y) \approx u_n^k \equiv \sum_{i=0}^n c_i^k \phi_i^k(x, y), \quad \text{whenever } (x, y) \in \Omega_k$$



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Notice:

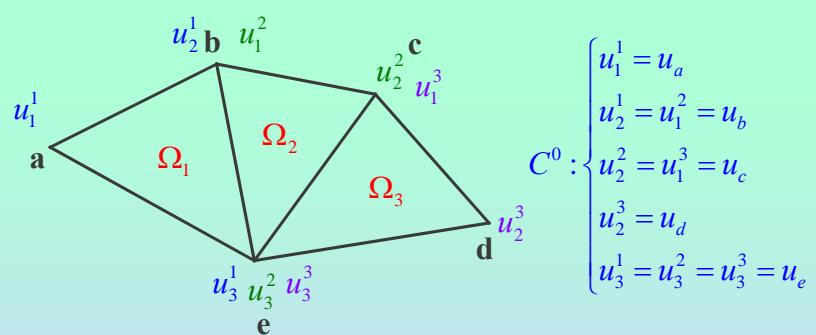
$$u_n^k(x_i, y_i) \equiv u_i^k = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k \phi_j^k(x_i, y_i)$$

$$u_i^k = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j^k \delta_{ij} = c_i^k$$

$$u_n^k(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^k \phi_j^k(x, y)$$



§ example – triangular elements (linear interpolation)



If no C^0 constraint: d.o.f.s = $u_1^1, u_2^1, u_3^1, u_1^2, u_2^2, u_3^2, u_1^3, u_2^3, u_3^3$

with C^0 - constraint: d.o.f.s = u_a, u_b, u_c, u_d, u_e



***d.o.f. $u_a (= u_1^1)$:**

$$0 = \frac{\partial I(u)}{\partial u_a}$$

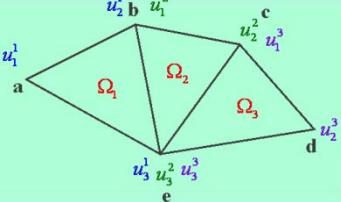
$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_a} \sum_{k=1}^K \int_{\Omega_k} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^k \phi_j^k(x, y) \cdots$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_a} \int_{\Omega_1} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^1 \phi_j^1(x, y) \cdots$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1^1} \int_{\Omega_1} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^1 \phi_j^1(x, y) \cdots$$

$$0 = \{a_{11}^1 u_1^1 + a_{12}^1 u_2^1 + a_{13}^1 u_3^1 - b_1^1\}$$

***d.o.f. $u_d (= u_2^3)$:** $0 = \{a_{21}^3 u_1^3 + a_{22}^3 u_2^3 + a_{23}^3 u_3^3 - b_2^3\}$





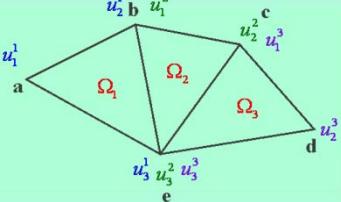
***d.o.f. $u_b (= u_2^1 = u_1^2)$:**

$$0 = \frac{\partial I(u)}{\partial u_b}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_b} \left(\int_{\Omega_1} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^1 \phi_j^1(x, y) \cdots + \int_{\Omega_2} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^2 \phi_j^2(x, y) \cdots \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2^1} \int_{\Omega_1} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^1 \phi_j^1(x, y) \cdots + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1^2} \int_{\Omega_2} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^2 \phi_j^2(x, y) \cdots$$

$$0 = \{a_{21}^1 u_1^1 + a_{22}^1 u_2^1 + a_{23}^1 u_3^1 - b_1^1\} + \{a_{11}^2 u_1^2 + a_{12}^2 u_2^2 + a_{13}^2 u_3^2 - b_1^2\}$$





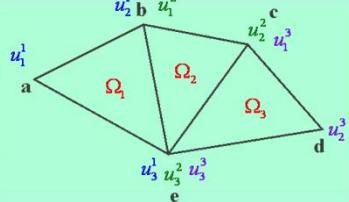
***d.o.f. $u_c (= u_2^2 = u_1^3)$:**

$$0 = \frac{\partial I(u)}{\partial u_c}$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_c} \left(\int_{\Omega_2} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^2 \phi_j^2(x, y) \cdots + \int_{\Omega_3} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^3 \phi_j^3(x, y) \cdots \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_2^2} \int_{\Omega_2} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^2 \phi_j^2(x, y) \cdots + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_1^3} \int_{\Omega_3} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^3 \phi_j^3(x, y) \cdots$$

$$0 = \{a_{21}^2 u_1^2 + a_{22}^2 u_2^2 + a_{23}^2 u_3^2 - b_2^2\} + \{a_{11}^3 u_1^3 + a_{12}^3 u_2^3 + a_{13}^3 u_3^3 - b_1^3\}$$





***d.o.f. $u_e (= u_3^1 = u_3^2 = u_3^3)$:**

$$0 = \frac{\partial I(u)}{\partial u_e}$$

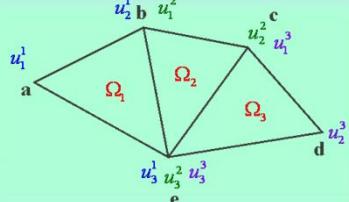
$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_e} \left(\int_{\Omega_1 + \Omega_2 + \Omega_3} \cdots \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3^1} \int_{\Omega_1} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^1 \phi_j^1(x, y) \cdots + \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3^2} \int_{\Omega_2} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^2 \phi_j^2(x, y) \cdots$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial u_3^3} \int_{\Omega_3} \cdots \sum_{j=0}^n u_j^3 \phi_j^3(x, y) \cdots$$

$$0 = \{a_{31}^1 u_1^1 + a_{32}^1 u_2^1 + a_{33}^1 u_3^1 - b_3^1\} + \{a_{31}^2 u_1^2 + a_{32}^2 u_2^2 + a_{33}^2 u_3^2 - b_3^2\}$$

$$+ \{a_{31}^3 u_1^3 + a_{32}^3 u_2^3 + a_{33}^3 u_3^3 - b_3^3\}$$



• Global matrix equation $Au=b$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d & e \\ \begin{matrix} a_{11}^1 & a_{12}^1 & 0 & 0 & a_{13}^1 \\ a_{21}^1 & a_{22}^1 + a_{11}^2 & a_{12}^2 & 0 & a_{23}^1 + a_{13}^2 \\ 0 & a_{21}^2 & a_{22}^2 + a_{11}^3 & a_{12}^3 & a_{23}^2 + a_{13}^3 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{21}^3 & a_{22}^3 & a_{23}^3 \\ a_{31}^1 & a_{32}^1 + a_{31}^2 & a_{32}^2 + a_{31}^3 & a_{32}^3 & a_{33}^1 + a_{32}^2 + a_{31}^3 \end{matrix} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_a = u_1^1 \\ u_b = u_2^1 = u_1^2 \\ u_c = u_2^2 = u_1^3 \\ u_d = u_2^3 \\ u_e = u_3^1 = u_2^2 = u_3^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} b_1^1 \\ b_2^1 - b_1^2 \\ b_2^2 + b_1^3 \\ b_2^3 \\ b_3^1 - b_2^2 + b_3^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^1 & a_{12}^1 & 0 & 0 & a_{13}^1 \\ a_{21}^1 & a_{22}^1 & 0 & 0 & a_{23}^1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{31}^1 & a_{32}^1 & 0 & 0 & a_{33}^1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1^1 \\ u_2^1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ u_3^1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{11}^2 & a_{12}^2 & 0 & a_{13}^2 \\ 0 & a_{21}^2 & a_{22}^2 & 0 & a_{23}^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{31}^2 & a_{32}^2 & 0 & a_{33}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u_1^2 \\ u_2^2 \\ 0 \\ u_3^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1^1 \\ b_2^1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ b_3^1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ b_1^2 \\ b_2^2 \\ 0 \\ b_3^2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ b_1^3 \\ b_2^3 \\ b_3^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$+ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{11}^3 & a_{12}^3 & a_{13}^3 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{21}^3 & a_{22}^3 & a_{23}^3 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{31}^3 & a_{32}^3 & a_{33}^3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ u_1^3 \\ u_2^3 \\ u_3^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

stiffness summation

- local matrix equation

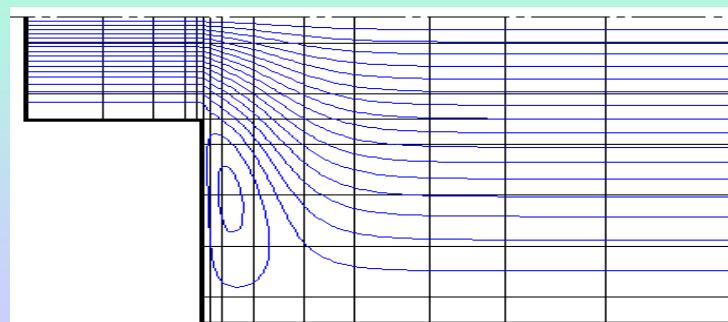
$$k=1: \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^1 & a_{12}^1 & a_{13}^1 \\ a_{21}^1 & a_{22}^1 & a_{23}^1 \\ a_{31}^1 & a_{32}^1 & a_{32}^1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1^1 \\ u_2^1 \\ u_3^1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^1 & a_{12}^1 & a_{13}^1 \\ a_{21}^1 & a_{22}^1 & a_{23}^1 \\ a_{31}^1 & a_{32}^1 & a_{32}^1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_a \\ u_b \\ u_e \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^1 \\ b_2^1 \\ b_3^1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$k=2: \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^2 & a_{12}^2 & a_{13}^2 \\ a_{21}^2 & a_{22}^2 & a_{23}^2 \\ a_{31}^2 & a_{32}^2 & a_{32}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1^2 \\ u_2^2 \\ u_3^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}^2 & a_{12}^2 & a_{13}^2 \\ a_{21}^2 & a_{22}^2 & a_{23}^2 \\ a_{31}^2 & a_{32}^2 & a_{32}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_b \\ u_c \\ u_e \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^2 \\ b_2^2 \\ b_3^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

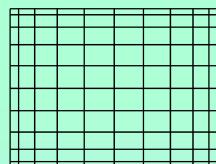
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§ Example – 2D Poisson Solver

$$\nabla^2 P = \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial y^2} = f(x, y, t)$$



• Let



$$h_i^k(x) \equiv \prod_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \neq i}}^N \frac{(x - x_i^k)}{(x_m^k - x_i^k)}$$

$$h_j^k(y) \equiv \prod_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \neq j}}^N \frac{(y - y_j^k)}{(y_m^k - y_j^k)}$$

where $\{x_i^k\}_{i=0}^N$ and $\{y_j^k\}_{j=0}^N$ are Gauss Quadrature Intergration nodes

$$P(x, y, t) = \sum_{k=1}^K \cdot \sum_{i=0}^N \sum_{j=0}^N P_{ij}^k h_i^k(x) h_j^k(y)$$

$$f(x, y, t) = \sum_{k=1}^K \cdot \sum_{i=0}^N \sum_{j=0}^N f_{ij}^k h_i^k(x) h_j^k(y)$$

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