

Practical Course: Modeling, Simulation, Optimization

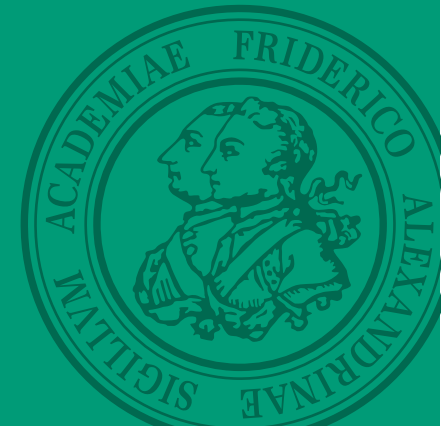
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6.A The weak form in 2-D



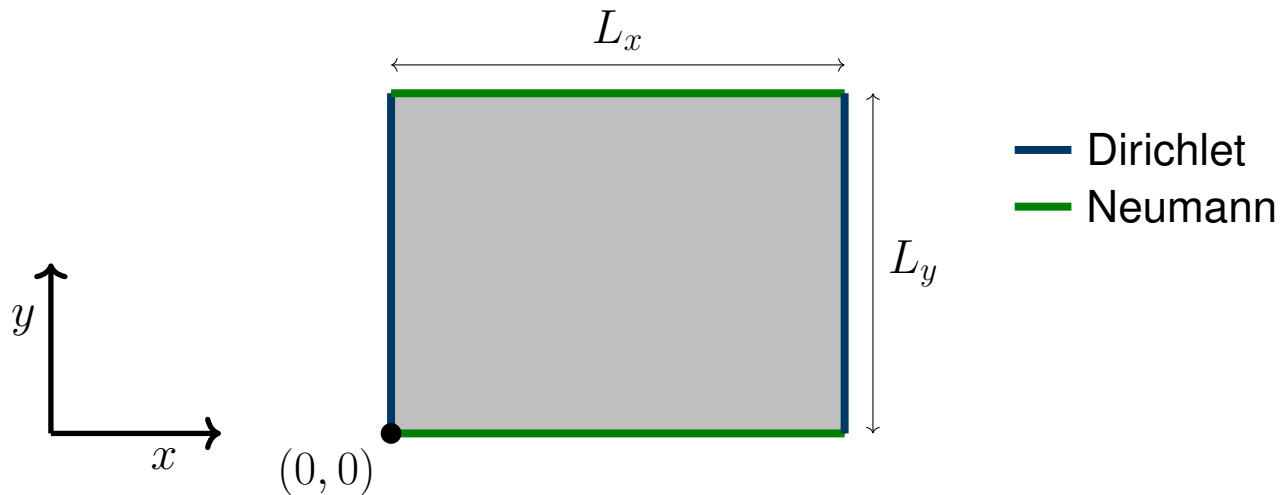
A sample problem

Consider the 2-D heat equation on $(x, y) \in [0, L_x] \times [0, L_y]$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, y) = \kappa \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(t, x, y) + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}(t, x, y) \right) + f(t, x, y),$$

$$u(t, 0, y) = u(t, L_x, y) = 0, \quad -\kappa \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, 0) = -\kappa \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, L_y) = 0,$$

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Integration by parts

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Multiply by a test function $w(x, y)$ and integrate over $(x, y) \in [0, L_x] \times [0, L_y]$

- For the first term on the RHS, integration by parts over x shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} w(x, y) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy &= \int_0^{L_y} w(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, y) \Big|_{x=0}^{L_x} \, dy \\ &\quad - \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy \end{aligned}$$

- For the first term on the RHS, integration by parts over y shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} w(x, y) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy &= \int_0^{L_x} w(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, y) \Big|_{y=0}^{L_y} \, dx \\ &\quad - \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy \end{aligned}$$

The resulting weak form

Consider the 2-D heat equation on $(x, y) \in [0, L_x] \times [0, L_y]$

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$$u(0, x, y) = u_0(x, y).$$

A weak solution $u \in L^2([0, T], V)$ of the above problem satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} w(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy &= -\kappa \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy \\ &\quad - \kappa \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} \frac{\partial w}{\partial y}(x, y) \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy + \int_0^{L_y} \int_0^{L_x} w(x, y) f(t, x, y) \, dx \, dy \\ &\quad u(0, x, y) = u_0(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

for all $w \in V = \{w \in H^1([0, L_x] \times [0, L_y]) \mid w(0, \cdot) = w(L_x, \cdot) = 0\}$ and a.a. $t \in [0, T]$.

A more general setting

Consider the 2-D heat equation on $(x, y) \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \kappa \nabla^2 u + f,$$

$$u = 0,$$

$$-\kappa \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0,$$

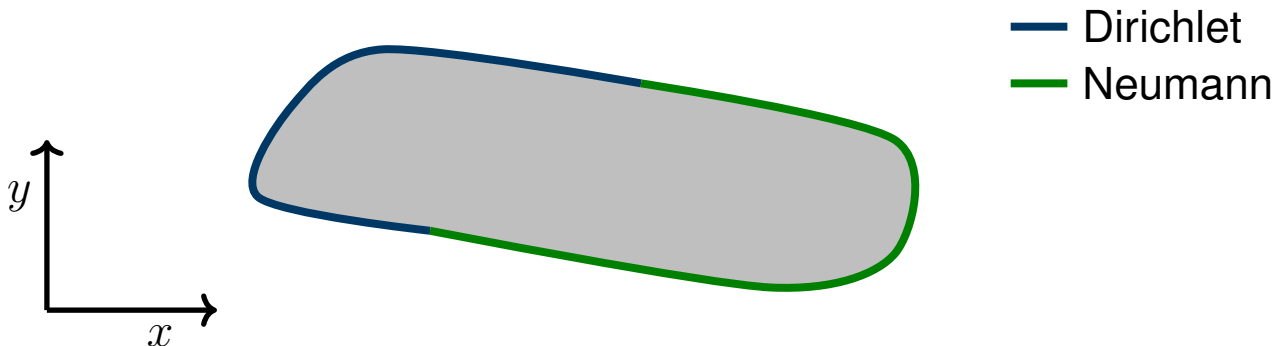
$$u(0) = u_0,$$

$$(x, y) \in \Omega, t \in [0, T],$$

$$(x, y) \in \partial\Omega_D, t \in [0, T]$$

$$(x, y) \in \partial\Omega_N, t \in [0, T],$$

$$(x, y) \in \Omega.$$



The resulting weak form

Consider the 2-D heat equation on $(x, y) \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} &= \kappa \nabla^2 u + f, & (x, y) \in \Omega, t \in [0, T], \\ u &= 0, & (x, y) \in \partial\Omega_D, t \in [0, T] \\ -\kappa \nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n} &= 0, & (x, y) \in \partial\Omega_N, t \in [0, T], \\ u(0) &= u_0, & (x, y) \in \Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Multiply by a testfunction $w(x, y)$ and integrate over $(x, y) \in \Omega$.

For the first term on the RHS, we find using Green's first identity

$$\iint_{\Omega} w \nabla^2 u \, dx \, dy = \int_{\partial\Omega} w (\nabla u \cdot \mathbf{n}) \, dS - \iint_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot \nabla u \, dx \, dy.$$

A weak solution $u \in L^2([0, T], V)$ of the above problem satisfies

$$\iint_{\Omega} w \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \, dx \, dy = -\kappa \iint_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot \nabla u \, dx \, dy + \iint_{\Omega} w f \, dx \, dy, \quad u(0) = u_0.$$

for all $w \in V = \{w \in H^1(\Omega) \mid w|_{\partial\Omega_D} = 0\}$ and almost all $t \in [0, T]$.

6.B Galerkin discretization in 2-D



Galerkin discretization

We thus arrive at the weak formulation of our problem, for example

$$\iint_{\Omega} w \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} dx dy = -\kappa \iint_{\Omega} \nabla w \cdot \kappa \nabla u dx dy + \iint_{\Omega} w f dx dy$$

for all $w \in V = \{w \in H^1(\Omega) \mid w|_{\partial\Omega_D} = 0\}$ and almost all $t \in [0, T]$.

The basic idea for a Galerkin discretization:

Replace the infinite dimensional space V by an N -dimensional subspace $V_N \subset V$.

Note: V_N must be a subspace of V .

This thus leads to a solution $u_N \in L^2(0, T; V_N)$ which satisfies

$$\iint_{\Omega} w_N \frac{\partial u_N}{\partial t} dx dy = -\kappa \iint_{\Omega} \nabla w_N \cdot \kappa \nabla u_N dx dy + \iint_{\Omega} w_N f dx dy, \quad u(0) = u_0,$$

for all $w_N \in V_N$.

Galerkin approximation: a basis for V_N

We want to find the function $u_N \in L^2(0, T; V_N)$ which satisfies

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for all $w_N \in V_N$.

Choose a basis $\{\mathbf{N}_1(x, y), \mathbf{N}_2(x, y), \dots, \mathbf{N}_N(x, y)\}$ for $V_N \subset V$ and define the row-vector

$$\mathbf{N}(x, y) = [\mathbf{N}_1(x, y) \quad \mathbf{N}_2(x, y) \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{N}_N(x, y)].$$

Because $u_N \in L^2(0, T; V_N)$ and $w_N \in V_N$, we can write

$$u_N(t, x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{N}_n(x, y) u_n(t) = \mathbf{N}(x, y) \mathbf{u}(t),$$

$$w_N(x, y) = \mathbf{N}(x, y) \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}^\top (\mathbf{N}(x, y))^\top,$$

where $\mathbf{u} \in L^2(0, T; \mathbb{R}^N)$ and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ is a column vector.

Galerkin approximation: Mass and stiffness matrices

We want to find the function $\mathbf{u} \in L^2(0, T; V_N)$ which satisfies for all $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N$

$$\iint_{\Omega} w_N \frac{\partial u_N}{\partial t} dx dy = -\kappa \iint_{\Omega} \nabla w_N \cdot \kappa \nabla u_N dx dy + \iint_{\Omega} w_N f dx dy, \quad u(0) = u_0,$$

$$u_N(t, x, y) = \mathbf{N}(x, y) \mathbf{u}(t), \quad w_N(x, y) = \mathbf{w}^\top (\mathbf{N}(x, y))^\top,$$

Substitute the expressions for u_N and w_N into the above equation:

$$\iint_{\Omega} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{N}^\top \mathbf{N} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} dx dy = -\kappa \iint_{\Omega} \mathbf{w}^\top \nabla \mathbf{N}^\top \cdot \nabla \mathbf{N} \mathbf{u} dx dy + \iint_{\Omega} \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{N}^\top f dx dy,$$

Which can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{E} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt}(t) = \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{f}(t), \quad \mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0,$$

where

$$\mathbf{E} = \iint_{\Omega} \mathbf{N}^\top \mathbf{N} dx dy, \quad \mathbf{A} = -\kappa \iint_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{N}^\top \cdot \nabla \mathbf{N} dx dy, \quad \mathbf{f}(t) = \iint_{\Omega} \mathbf{N}^\top f(t) dx dy$$

Because this equation should be satisfied for all $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^N$, we conclude

$$\mathbf{E} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt}(t) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}(t) + \mathbf{f}(t), \quad \mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0,$$

Question 1

We take $\Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ and consider two shape functions:

$$\mathbf{N}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute

$$\mathbf{E} = \iint_{\Omega} \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N} \, dx \, dy.$$

A) $\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

B) $\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

C) $\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

D) $\mathbf{E} = \frac{2}{3}$

E) None of the above

Question 2

We take $\Omega = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ and consider two shape functions:

$$\mathbf{N}(x, y) = [x \quad y].$$

Compute

$$\mathbf{A} = \iint_{\Omega} \nabla \mathbf{N}^T \nabla \mathbf{N} \, dx \, dy.$$

A) $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

B) $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

C) $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

D) $\mathbf{A} = 2$

E) None of the above

6.C Assembly procedure for 2-D Finite elements

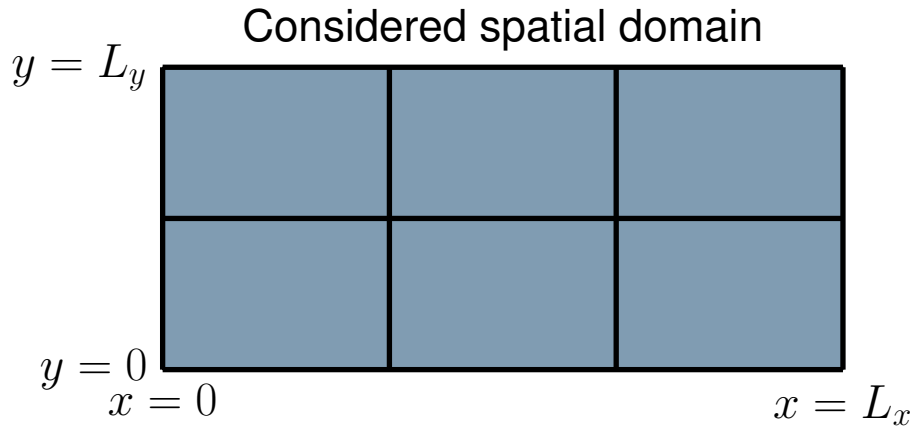


2-D Finite Elements step-by-step

Considered spatial domain

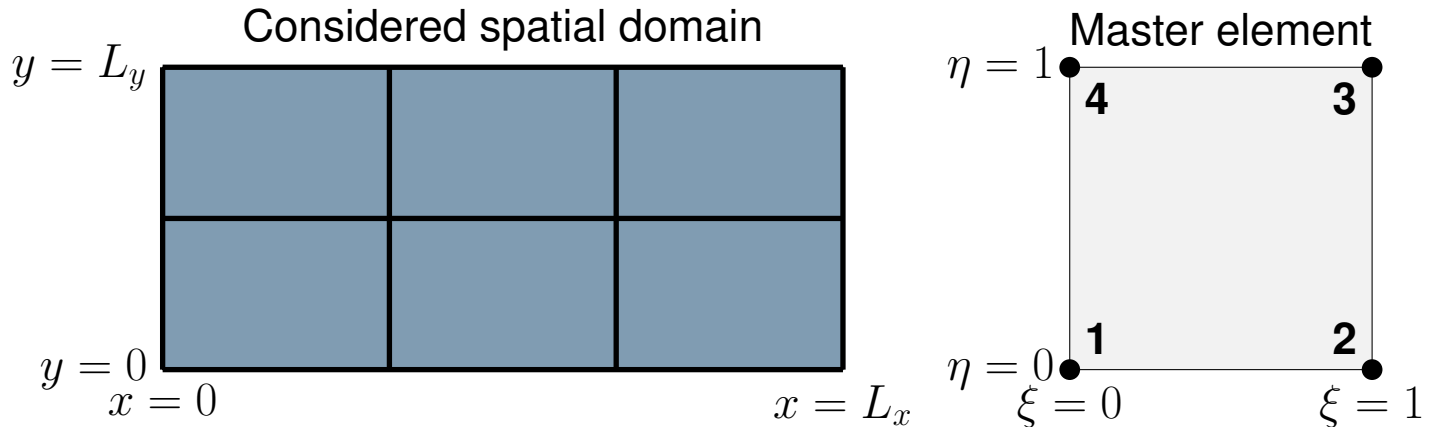


2-D Finite Elements step-by-step



STEP 1: Divide the domain $[0, L_x] \times [0, L_y]$ into M rectangular elements Ω^e .

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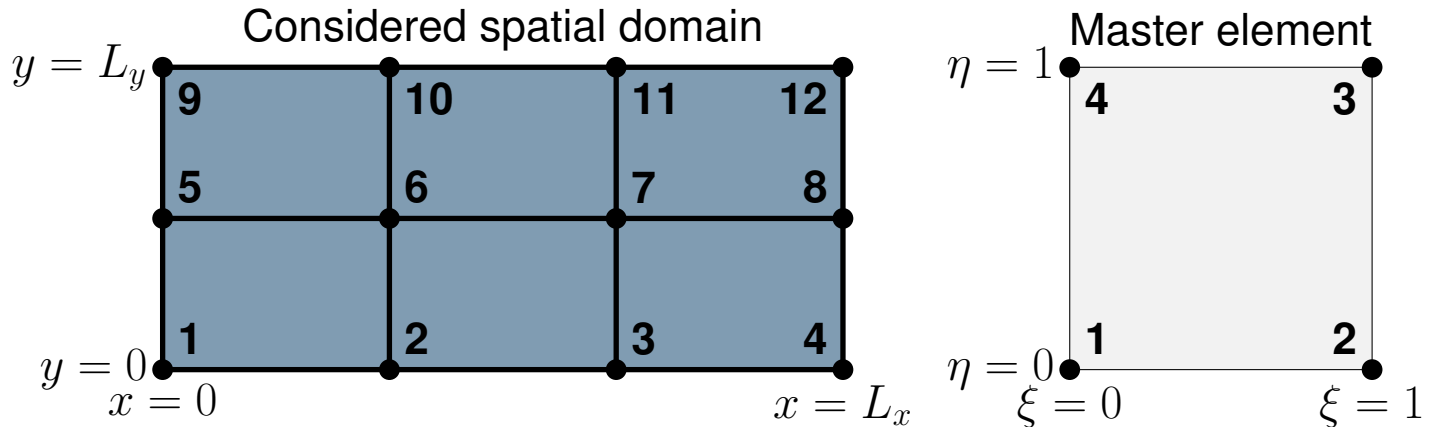


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STEP 2: Choose shape functions for the master element

$$\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta) = [(1 - \xi)(1 - \eta) \quad \xi(1 - \eta) \quad \xi\eta \quad (1 - \xi)\eta].$$

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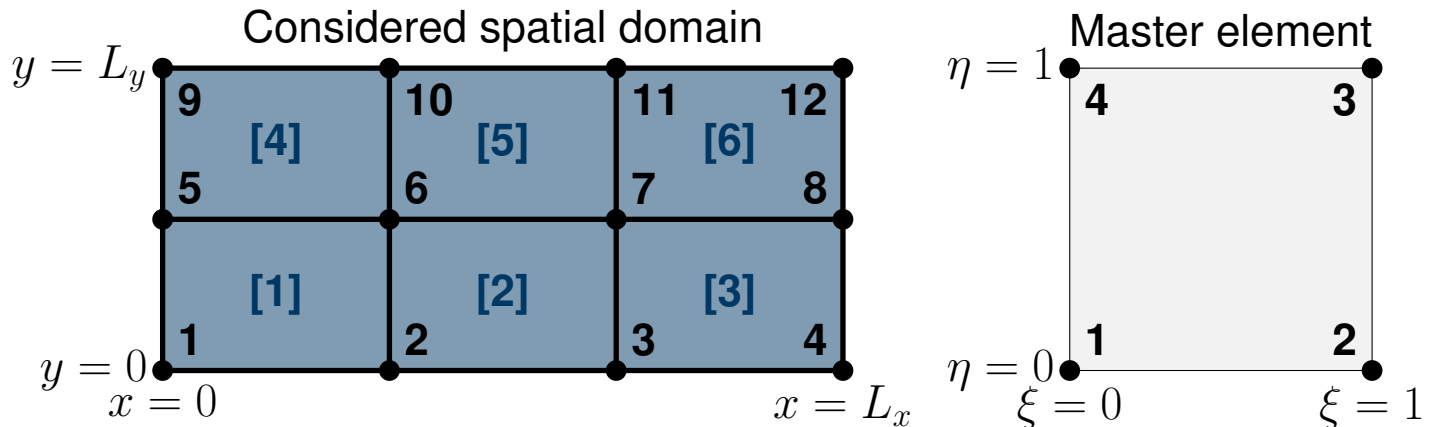
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$$\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta) = [(1 - \xi)(1 - \eta) \quad \xi(1 - \eta) \quad \xi\eta \quad (1 - \xi)\eta].$$

STEP 3: Define the nodes in the original domain based on the chosen master element. Assign a number to each node.

$$\text{node_nbrs} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 9 \\ 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 7 & 11 \\ 4 & 8 & 12 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The element list



STEP 4: Build the element list.

The element list contains the numbers of the nodes in each element.

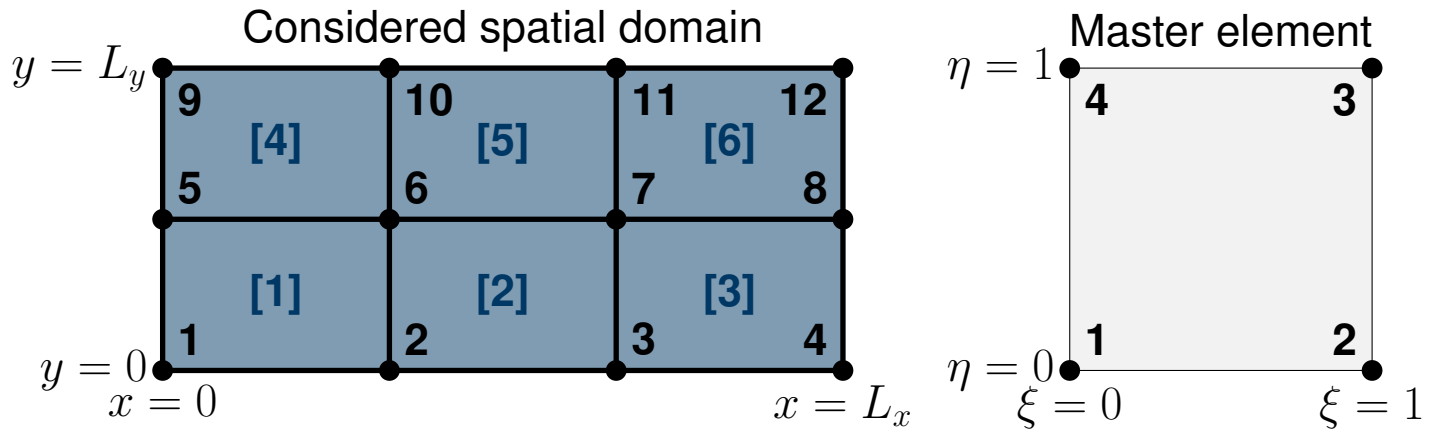
The order in which elements are stored also assigns a number to each element.

$$\text{elem_list} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 & 6 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 7 & 8 & 12 & 11 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{elem_nbrs} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note: the ordering of the node numbers should match with the master element!

QUESTION 3: What is the fifth row in the matrix `elem_list`?

Element matrices (uniform mesh)



STEP 5: when all elements are of the same size $L_{e,x} \times L_{e,y}$, we can compute the contributions of one element directly:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,x}} \int_0^{L_{e,y}} \left(\mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right) \right)^\top \mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right) dx dy$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,x}} \int_0^{L_{e,y}} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right)}{\partial x} \right)^\top \frac{\mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right)}{\partial x} + \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right)}{\partial y} \right)^\top \frac{\mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right)}{\partial y} dx dy$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{f}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,x}} \int_0^{L_{e,y}} \left(\mathbf{N}^e \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right) \right)^\top dx dy$$

Note: these formulas depend on the size of the elements $L_{e,x} \times L_{e,y}$!

Remark: relation to the standard element

Using the change of variables

$$(\xi, \eta) = \left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}} \right), \quad (x, y) = (L_{e,x}\xi, L_{e,y}\eta),$$

we can relate the integrals from the previous slide to the standard element $[0, 1]^2$

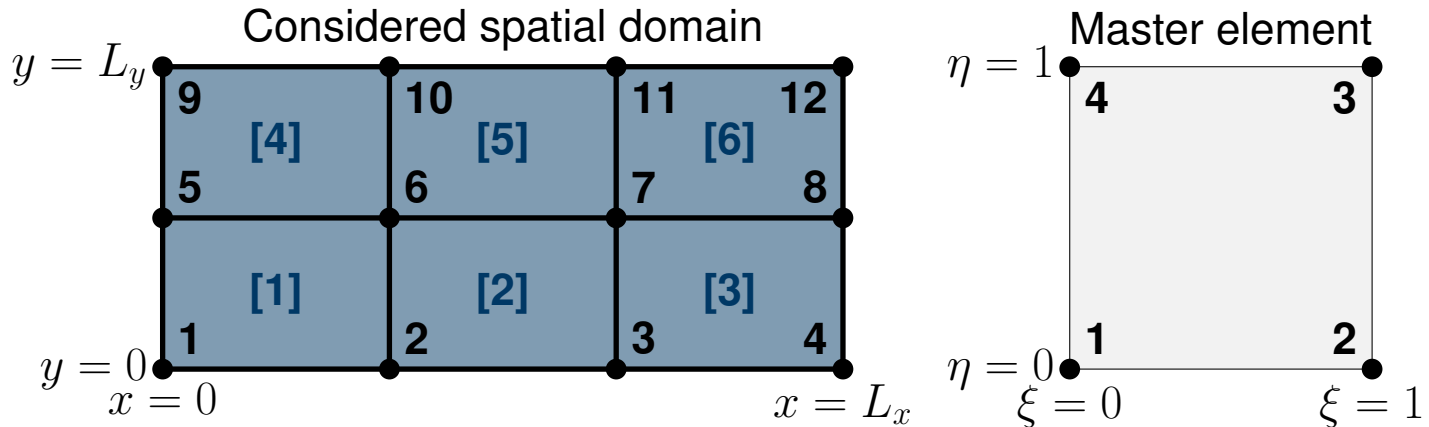
$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^e = L_{e,x}L_{e,y} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta))^\top \mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta) \, d\xi \, d\eta =: L_{e,x}L_{e,y}\mathbf{E}^e,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}^e &= \frac{L_{e,y}}{L_{e,x}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta)}{\partial \xi} \right)^\top \frac{\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta)}{\partial \xi} \, d\xi \, d\eta \\ &\quad + \frac{L_{e,x}}{L_{e,y}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta)}{\partial \eta} \right)^\top \frac{\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta)}{\partial \eta} \, d\xi \, d\eta = \frac{L_{e,y}}{L_{e,x}} \mathbf{A}_{xx}^e + \frac{L_{e,x}}{L_{e,y}} \mathbf{A}_{yy}^e, \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{f}}^e = L_{e,x}L_{e,y} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta))^\top \, d\xi \, d\eta =: L_{e,x}L_{e,y}\mathbf{f}^e.$$

Note: the two parts of $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}^e$ are scaled differently!

Assembly



STEP 6: Assemble the global mass and stiffness matrices \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{A} ($N \times N$) and the global load vector \mathbf{f} (length N) using the element list from STEP 4.

$$\text{elem_list} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 7 & 6 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

Write the contribution of each element:

$$\mathbf{E}[[1, 2, 6, 5], [1, 2, 6, 5]] = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{e=1}, \quad \mathbf{E}[[2, 3, 7, 6], [2, 3, 7, 6]] = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{e=2}, \quad \dots$$

Boundary conditions

STEP 7: Include the contributions of Robin boundary conditions.
Robin boundary conditions originate from terms like

STEP 8: Take into account (zero) Dirichlet boundary conditions by removing rows and columns corresponding to the constrained DOFs from \mathbf{E} , \mathbf{A} , and \mathbf{f} .

Example: boundary conditions

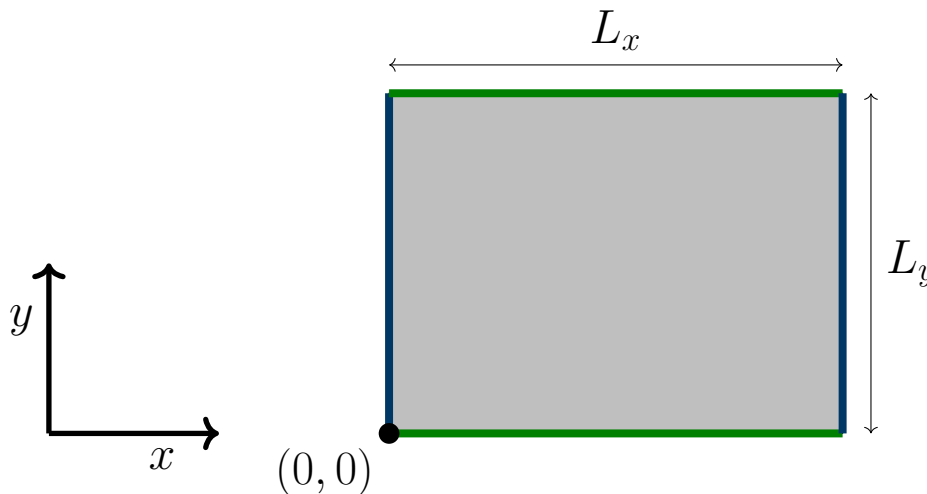
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$$-\kappa \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}(t, x, L_y) = hu(t, x, L_y)$$

$$u(0, x, y) = u_0(x, y).$$



- Robin
- Neumann

Example: boundary conditions

We obtain the following weak form:

$$0 = -h \int_0^{L_x} \left([vu]_{y=0} + [vu]_{y=L_y} \right) dx \\ - \kappa \int_0^{L_x} \int_x^{L_y} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) dy dx + \int_0^{L_x} \int_x^{L_y} v f dy dx.$$

To include the first two terms in the stiffness matrix \mathbf{A} , we need the element matrices

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{bot}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,x}} \left(\mathbf{N}^e\left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, 0\right) \right)^\top \mathbf{N}^e\left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, 0\right) dx,$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{top}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,x}} \left(\mathbf{N}^e\left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, 1\right) \right)^\top \mathbf{N}^e\left(\frac{x}{L_{e,x}}, 1\right) dx.$$

For Robin BCs on the edges $x = 0$ and $x = L_{e,x}$ you would also need

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{left}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,y}} \left(\mathbf{N}^e\left(0, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}}\right) \right)^\top \mathbf{N}^e\left(0, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}}\right) dy,$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{right}}^e = \int_0^{L_{e,y}} \left(\mathbf{N}^e\left(1, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}}\right) \right)^\top \mathbf{N}^e\left(1, \frac{y}{L_{e,y}}\right) dy.$$

Remark: relation to the standard element

Using the transformation

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{bot}}^e = L_{e,x} \int_0^1 (\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, 0))^\top \mathbf{N}^e(\xi, 0) d\xi = L_{e,x} \mathbf{E}_{\text{bot}}^e,$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{\text{top}}^e = L_{e,x} \int_0^1 (\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, 1))^\top \mathbf{N}^e(\xi, 1) d\xi = L_{e,x} \mathbf{E}_{\text{top}}^e,$$

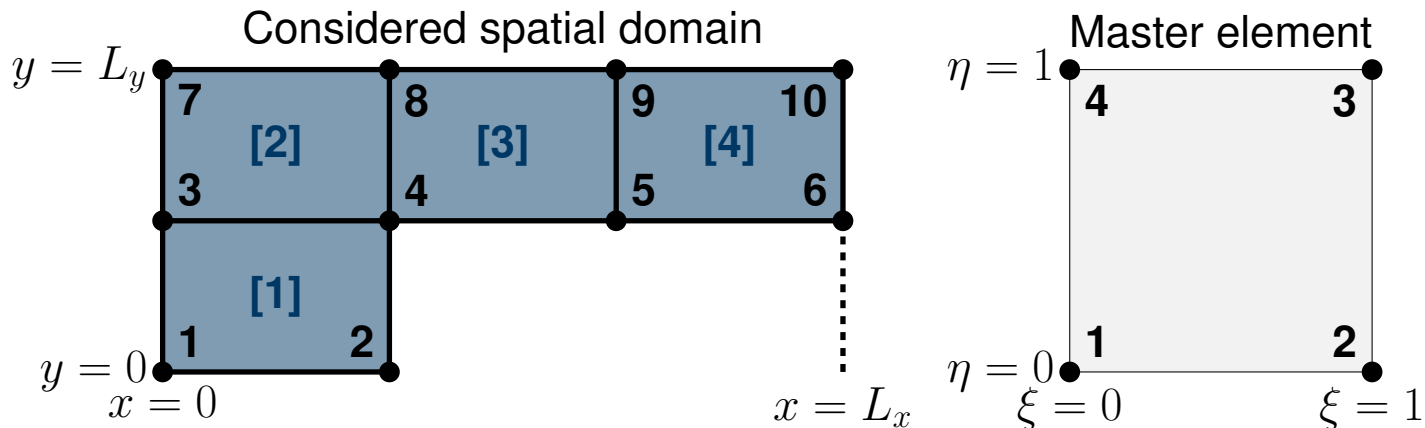
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6.D Three final remarks



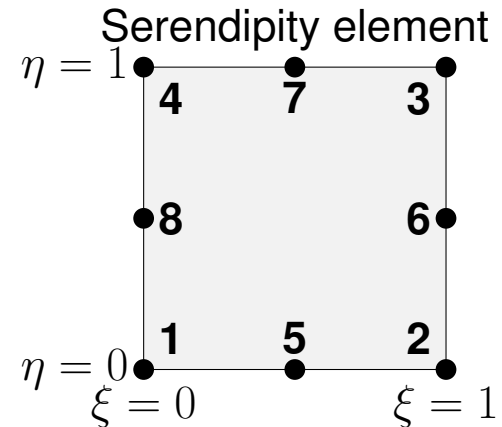
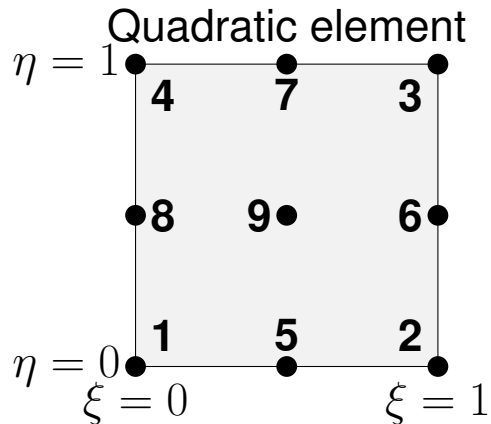
Remark 1/3: Domains that are not rectangular



Only number the elements and nodes inside the considered domain.

$$\text{node_nmbrs} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 7 \\ 2 & 4 & 8 \\ 0 & 5 & 9 \\ 0 & 6 & 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{elem_list} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 9 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 10 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Remark 2/3: Second order elements

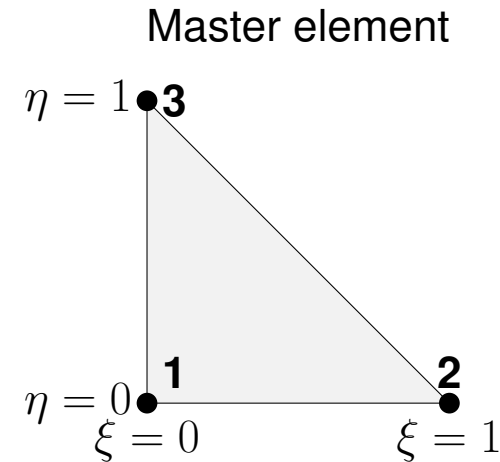
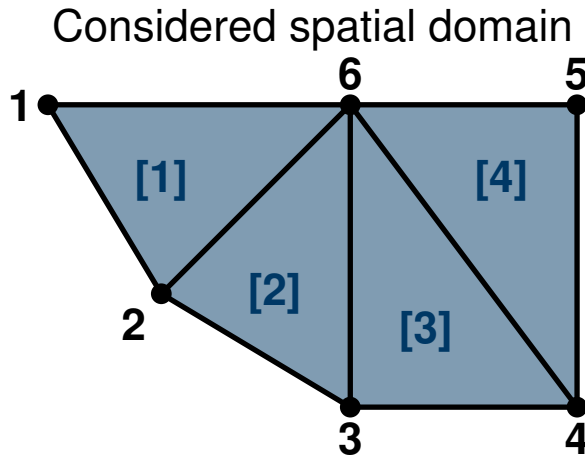


There are two commonly used quadratic shape functions on rectangular elements:

$$\mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta) = \begin{bmatrix} p_0(\xi)p_0(\eta) \\ p_1(\xi)p_0(\eta) \\ p_1(\xi)p_1(\eta) \\ p_0(\xi)p_1(\eta) \\ p_{1/2}(\xi)p_0(\eta) \\ p_1(\xi)p_{1/2}(\eta) \\ p_{1/2}(\xi)p_1(\eta) \\ p_0(\xi)p_{1/2}(\eta) \\ p_{1/2}(\xi)p_{1/2}(\eta) \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad \mathbf{N}^e(\xi, \eta) = \begin{bmatrix} p_0(\xi)p_0(\eta) \\ p_1(\xi)p_0(\eta) \\ p_1(\xi)p_1(\eta) \\ p_0(\xi)p_1(\eta) \\ p_{1/2}(\xi)p_0(\eta) \\ p_1(\xi)p_{1/2}(\eta) \\ p_{1/2}(\xi)p_1(\eta) \\ p_0(\xi)p_{1/2}(\eta) \end{bmatrix}^T,$$

where $p_0(\xi) = (1 - \xi)(1 - 2\xi)$, $p_{1/2}(\xi) = 4(1 - \xi)\xi$, and $p_1(\xi) = (2\xi - 1)\xi$.

Remark 3/3: Nonrectangular meshes



We can no longer use the matrix `node_nmbrs` to assign numbers to the nodes. Instead we make a node list:

$$\text{node_list} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 \\ x_4 & y_4 \\ x_5 & y_5 \\ x_6 & y_6 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\text{elem_list} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 6 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix},$$

where (x_i, y_i) is the position of node i .