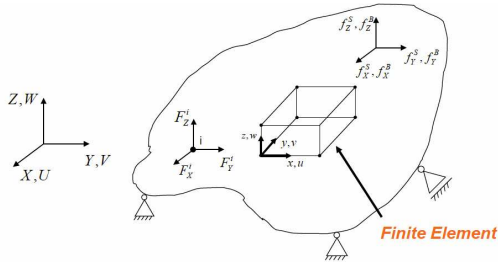


Finite Elements Methods

Formulary for Prof. Estorff's exam

Finite Element Method in General



One wants to obtain the equilibrium equations for the body, discretized by finite elements in the form

$$M \cdot \ddot{U} + C \cdot \dot{U} + K \cdot U = R$$

Displacement of the nodes:

$$U = [U_1 \quad U_2 \quad \dots \quad U_n]^T \quad n: \text{degrees of freedom}$$

Displacement within the element m :

$$u^{(m)}(x, y, z) = H^{(m)}(x, y, z) \hat{U}$$

$H^{(m)}$: Displacement interpolation matrix

Strain inside the element m :

$$\epsilon^{(m)}(x, y, z) = B^{(m)}(x, y, z) \hat{U}$$

$B^{(m)}$: Verzerrungs-Verschiebungs-Matrix

Play around with those matrices and from the principle of virtual displacement

$$\int_V \bar{\epsilon}^T \tau \, dV = \int_V \bar{U}^T f^B \, dV + \int_S \bar{U}^{ST} f^S \, dS + \sum_i \bar{U}^{iT} F^i \text{ it follows:}$$

System of equations (stationary case $KU = R$)

$$\left[\sum_{m \ v^{(m)}} \int B^{(m)T} C^{(m)} B^{(m)} \, dV^{(m)} \right] \hat{U} = \sum_{m \ v^{(m)}} \int H^{(m)T} f^B \, dV^{(m)} + \sum_{m \ S^{(m)}} \int H^{S(m)T} f^S \, dS^{(m)} + \sum_{m \ v^{(m)}} \int B^{(m)T} \tau^I \, dV^{(m)} + F$$

From that one can obtain a formular to calculate each of the matrices in the equilibrium equations:

Stiffness matrix: $K = \sum_m \int_{V^{(m)}} B^{(m)T} C^{(m)} B^{(m)} dV^{(m)} = \sum_m K^{(m)}$

Volume forces: $R_B = \sum_m \int_{V^{(m)}} H^{(m)T} f^{B(m)} dV^{(m)} = \sum_m R_B^{(m)}$

Surface forces: $R_S = \sum_m \int_{S^{(m)}} H^{S(m)T} f^{S(m)} dS^{(m)} = \sum_m R_S^{(m)}$

Initial stresses: $R_I = \sum_m \int_{v^{(m)}} B^{(m)T} \tau^{I(m)} dV^{(m)} = \sum_m R_I^{(m)}$

Single forces: $R_C = F$

With d'Alembert Principle the matrices for the time dependent case follow:

Mass matrix: $M = \sum_m \int_{V^{(m)}} \rho^{(m)} H^{(m)T} H^{(m)} dV^{(m)} = \sum_m M^{(m)}$

Damping matrix: $C = \sum_m \int_{V^{(m)}} \kappa^{(m)} H^{(m)T} H^{(m)} dV^{(m)} = \sum_m C^{(m)}$

According to the choosen elements one has to concidere only certain components of stress, strain and displacement:

TABLE 4.2 *Corresponding kinematic and static variables in various problems*

Problem	Displacement components	Strain vector ϵ^T	Stress vector τ^T
Bar	u	$[\epsilon_{xx}]$	$[\tau_{xx}]$
Beam	w	$[\kappa_{xx}]$	$[M_{xx}]$
Plane stress	u, v	$[\epsilon_{xx} \ \epsilon_{yy} \ \gamma_{xy}]$	$[\tau_{xx} \ \tau_{yy} \ \tau_{xy}]$
Plane strain	u, v	$[\epsilon_{xx} \ \epsilon_{yy} \ \gamma_{xy}]$	$[\tau_{xx} \ \tau_{yy} \ \tau_{xy}]$
Axisymmetric	u, v	$[\epsilon_{xx} \ \epsilon_{yy} \ \gamma_{xy} \ \epsilon_{zz}]$	$[\tau_{xx} \ \tau_{yy} \ \tau_{xy} \ \tau_{zz}]$
Three-dimensional	u, v, w	$[\epsilon_{xx} \ \epsilon_{yy} \ \epsilon_{zz} \ \gamma_{xy} \ \gamma_{yz} \ \gamma_{zx}]$	$[\tau_{xx} \ \tau_{yy} \ \tau_{zz} \ \tau_{xy} \ \tau_{yz} \ \tau_{zx}]$
Plate bending	w	$[\kappa_{xx} \ \kappa_{yy} \ \kappa_{xy}]$	$[M_{xx} \ M_{yy} \ M_{xy}]$

Notation: $\epsilon_{xx} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$, $\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$, $\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$, \dots , $\kappa_{xx} = \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}$, $\kappa_{yy} = \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2}$, $\kappa_{xy} = 2 \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial y}$.

(Isoparametric) Truss Elements

Displacement of the nodes:

$$\text{Global: } \hat{U} = [u_1 \quad v_1 \quad u_2 \quad v_2 \quad \dots \quad v_n]^T$$

$$\text{Local: } \tilde{U} = [\tilde{u}_1 \quad \tilde{v}_1 \quad \tilde{u}_2 \quad \tilde{v}_2 \quad \dots \quad \tilde{v}_n]^T \quad n: \text{ number of nodes in element}$$

\hat{U} can be linked with the overall node displacement vector of the system (has the same orientation).

Interpolation:

$$\text{Coordinates: } \tilde{x}(r) = \sum h_i \tilde{x}_i \quad \text{Displacements: } \tilde{u}(r) = \sum h_i \tilde{u}_i$$

In the following, an element with 2 nodes is considered.

Displacement interpolation matrix:

$$\tilde{H} = [h_1 \quad 0 \quad h_2 \quad 0] = [\frac{1}{2}(1-r) \quad 0 \quad \frac{1}{2}(1+r) \quad 0] \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} x(r) &= \tilde{H} \cdot \tilde{X} \\ u(r) &= \tilde{H} \cdot \tilde{U} \end{aligned}$$

Setting up the strain displacement matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_x &= \frac{du}{dx} \\ &\implies \tilde{B} = [h_{1x} \quad 0 \quad h_{2x} \quad 0] = [-\frac{1}{L} \quad 0 \quad \frac{1}{L} \quad 0] \\ \epsilon &= \tilde{B} \cdot \tilde{U} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{because } h_{ix} = \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial r} \left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial r} \right)^{-1} = \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial r} \left(\frac{L}{2} \right)^{-1}$$

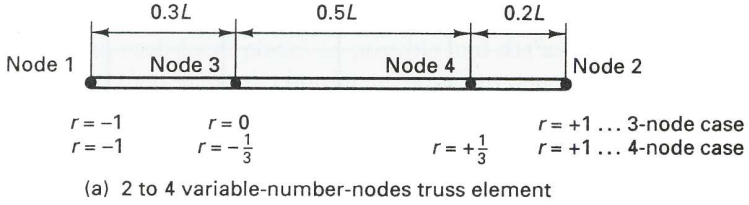
Setting up the stiffness matrix:

$$\tilde{K} = \int_V \tilde{B}^T C \tilde{B} dV = AE \int_0^L \tilde{B}^T \tilde{B} dx \quad \text{with } A: \text{ Cross-sectional area of truss}$$

$$\text{It follows: } \tilde{K} = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Transformed to global directions:

$$K = T^T \tilde{K} T = \frac{EA}{L} \begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \alpha & \cos \alpha \sin \alpha & -\cos \alpha \cos \beta & -\cos \alpha \sin \beta \\ \cos \alpha \sin \alpha & \sin^2 \alpha & -\sin \alpha \cos \beta & -\sin \alpha \sin \beta \\ -\cos \alpha \cos \beta & -\sin \alpha \cos \beta & \cos^2 \beta & \sin \beta \cos \beta \\ -\cos \alpha \sin \beta & -\sin \alpha \sin \beta & \sin \beta \cos \beta & \sin^2 \beta \end{bmatrix}$$



	Include only if node 3 is present	Include only if nodes 3 and 4 are present
$h_1 = \frac{1}{2}(1-r)$	$-\frac{1}{2}(1-r^2)$	$+\frac{1}{16}(-9r^3+r^2+9r-1)$
$h_2 = \frac{1}{2}(1+r)$	$-\frac{1}{2}(1-r^2)$	$+\frac{1}{16}(9r^3+r^2-9r-1)$
$h_3 = (1-r^2)$		$+\frac{1}{16}(27r^3+7r^2-27r-7)$
$h_4 = \frac{1}{16}(-27r^3-9r^2+27r+9)$		

(b) Interpolation functions

Figure 5.3 Interpolation functions of two to four variable-number-nodes one-dimensional element

Transformation matrix

$$\tilde{u} = Tu$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \cos\alpha & \sin\alpha & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin\alpha & \cos\alpha & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos\beta & \sin\beta \\ 0 & 0 & -\sin\beta & \cos\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

Related transformations:

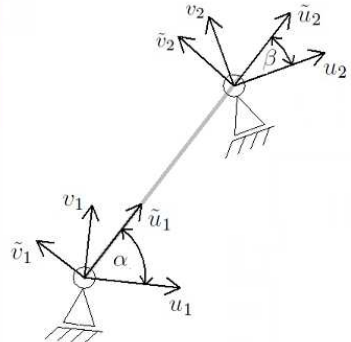
$$H = \tilde{H}T$$

$$M = T^T \tilde{M}T$$

$$R_B = T^T \tilde{R}_B$$

$$R_S = T^T \tilde{R}_S$$

$$R_I = T^T \tilde{R}_I$$



Isoparametric Plate Elements

Displacement of the nodes:

$\hat{U} = [u_1 \quad \dots \quad u_n \quad v_1 \quad \dots \quad v_n]^T$ n : number of nodes in element

\hat{U} can be linked with the overall node displacement vector of the system.

Interpolation:

Coordinates: $x(r, s) = \sum h_i x_i$; $y(r, s) = \sum h_i y_i$

Displacements: $u(r, s) = \sum h_i u_i$; $v(r, s) = \sum h_i v_i$

In the following formulars, an element with 4 nodes is considered.

Displacement interpolation matrix:

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & h_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & h_1 & h_2 & h_3 & h_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ with } \begin{cases} X(r, s) = H \cdot \hat{X} \\ U(r, s) = H \cdot \hat{U} \end{cases}$$

Match H with the vector of displacements of all nodes U to obtain the global stiffness matrix $H^{(m)}$ for the element.

Setting up the strain displacement matrix:

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_x &= \frac{du}{dx} & \epsilon_y &= \frac{dv}{dy} \\ \epsilon_{xy} &= \frac{du}{dy} + \frac{dv}{dx} & \implies B &= \begin{bmatrix} h_{1x} & h_{2x} & h_{3x} & h_{4x} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & h_{1y} & h_{2y} & h_{3y} & h_{4y} \\ h_{1y} & h_{2y} & h_{3y} & h_{4y} & h_{1x} & h_{2x} & h_{3x} & h_{4x} \end{bmatrix} \\ \epsilon &= B \cdot \hat{U} \end{aligned}$$

Match B with the vector of displacements of all nodes U to obtain the global stiffness matrix $B^{(m)}$ for the element.

Calculating derivatives of h_i :

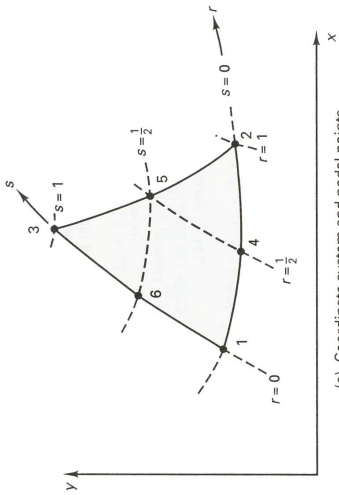
$$\begin{bmatrix} h_{ix} \\ h_{iy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} = J^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial s} \end{bmatrix} \text{ with } J = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Inverse 4x4 matrix: } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

Setting up the stiffness matrix:

$$K = \int_V B^T C B dV = t \cdot \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 B^T C B dr ds \quad t: \text{ thickness of the element}$$

Match K with the vector of displacements of all nodes U to obtain the global stiffness matrix $K^{(m)}$ for the element.



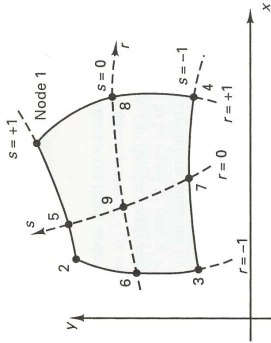
(a) Coordinate system and nodal points

Include only if node i is defined

	$i = 4$	$i = 5$	$i = 6$
$h_1 =$	$1 - r - s$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_4$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_6$
$h_2 =$	r	$-\frac{1}{2} h_4$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_6$
$h_3 =$	s	$-\frac{1}{2} h_5$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_6$
$h_4 =$	$4r(1 - r - s)$		
$h_5 =$	$4rs$		
$h_6 =$	$4s(1 - r - s)$		

(b) Interpolation functions

Figure 5.11 Interpolation functions of three to six variable-number-nodes two-dimensional triangle



(a) 4 to 9 variable-number-nodes two-dimensional element

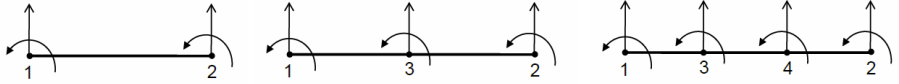
Include only if node i is defined

	$i = 5$	$i = 6$	$i = 7$	$i = 8$	$i = 9$
$h_1 =$	$\frac{1}{4}(1+r)(1+s)$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_5$		$-\frac{1}{2} h_8$	$-\frac{1}{4} h_9$
$h_2 =$	$\frac{1}{4}(1-r)(1+s)$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_5$		$-\frac{1}{2} h_8$	$-\frac{1}{4} h_9$
$h_3 =$	$\frac{1}{4}(1-r)(1-s)$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_6$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_7$		$-\frac{1}{4} h_9$
$h_4 =$	$\frac{1}{4}(1+r)(1-s)$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_6$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_7$		$-\frac{1}{4} h_9$
$h_5 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(1-r^2)(1+s)$			$-\frac{1}{2} h_8$	$-\frac{1}{2} h_9$
$h_6 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(1-r^2)(1-r)$				$-\frac{1}{2} h_9$
$h_7 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(1-r^2)(1-s)$				$-\frac{1}{2} h_9$
$h_8 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(1-s^2)(1+r)$				$-\frac{1}{2} h_9$
$h_9 =$	$\frac{1}{2}(1-r^2)(1-s^2)$				$-\frac{1}{2} h_9$

(b) Interpolation functions

Figure 5.4 Interpolation functions of four to nine variable-number-nodes two-dimensional element

Beam Elements



Displacement of the nodes:

$$\hat{U} = [w_1 \quad \varphi_1 \quad w_2 \quad \varphi_2]^T \quad \text{for an element with 2 nodes}$$

Displacement interpolation matrix (Hermite Beam):

$$w(x) = H\hat{U}$$

$$H = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 - 3\frac{x^2}{L^2} + 2\frac{x^3}{L^3} & x - 2\frac{x^2}{L} + \frac{x^3}{L^2} & 3\frac{x^2}{L^2} - 2\frac{x^3}{L^3} & -\frac{x^2}{L} + \frac{x^3}{L^2} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow K = EI \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \frac{12}{L^3} & & & \\ -\frac{12}{L^2} & \frac{4}{L} & & \\ \frac{6}{L^2} & -\frac{4}{L} & \frac{12}{L^3} & \\ \frac{6}{L^2} & -\frac{4}{L} & -\frac{6}{L^2} & \frac{4}{L} \end{array} \right]$$

For different H the strain displacement matrix B has to be determined first to calculate $K = \int_V B^T C B dV$.

Isoparametric:

Displacement of the nodes:

$$\hat{U} = [w_1 \quad \dots \quad w_q \quad \varphi_1 \quad \dots \quad \varphi_q]^T \quad q: \text{ number of nodes in element}$$

Interpolation:

$$w(r) = \sum h_i w_i \quad \varphi(r) = \sum h_i \varphi_i$$

Use the interpolation functions for a 1D element.

For displacement interpolation matrix H and strain interpolation matrix B consider displacement and rotation separately:

$$H_w = [h_1 \quad \dots \quad h_q \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0] \quad H_\varphi = [0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \quad h_1 \quad \dots \quad h_q]$$

$$B_w = J^{-1} \left[\frac{\partial h_1}{\partial r} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial h_q}{\partial r} \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \right] \quad B_\varphi = J^{-1} \left[0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \quad \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial r} \quad \dots \quad \frac{\partial h_q}{\partial r} \right]$$

with the Jacobian $J = \frac{\partial x}{\partial r}$

Material Matrices

TABLE 4.3 Generalized stress-strain matrices for isotropic materials and the problems in Table 4.2

Problem	Material matrix C
Bar	E
Beam	EI
Plane stress	$\frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
Plane strain	$\frac{E(1-\nu)}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 0 \\ \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-2\nu}{2(1-\nu)} \end{bmatrix}$
Axisymmetric	$\frac{E(1-\nu)}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 0 & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} \\ \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 1 & 0 & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-2\nu}{2(1-\nu)} & 0 \\ \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
Three-dimensional	$\frac{E(1-\nu)}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & & & \\ \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 1 & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & & & \\ \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & \frac{\nu}{1-\nu} & 1 & & & \\ & & & \frac{1-2\nu}{2(1-\nu)} & & \\ & & & & \frac{1-2\nu}{2(1-\nu)} & \\ & & & & & \frac{1-2\nu}{2(1-\nu)} \end{bmatrix}$ <p style="text-align: center;">Elements not shown are zeros</p>
Plate bending	$\frac{Eh^3}{12(1-\nu^2)} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1-\nu}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

Notation: E = Young's modulus, ν = Poisson's ratio, h = thickness of plate, I = moment of inertia

Calculating Loads

In general $R_S = \int_S H^{ST} q(x) dS$ for distributed loads $q(x)$.

In the following a load acting between node 1 and 2 of a 4-node-isoparametric element where $s = \text{const} = 1$ is considered.

Set up H^S matrix

Consider only the displacements of the two nodes contained in the surface the load is working on:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_S \\ v_S \end{bmatrix} = H^S \hat{U}^S \quad \text{mit } \hat{U}^S = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H^S = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(1+r) & \frac{1}{2}(1-r) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}(1+r) & \frac{1}{2}(1-r) \end{bmatrix}$$

Integrate

Rewrite $q(x)$ in local coordinates to obtain $q(r)$ and integrate over the surface:

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} R_{x1} & R_{x2} & R_{y1} & R_{y2} \end{bmatrix}^T = t \cdot \int_{-1}^1 H^{ST} q(r) \det(J^S) dr$$

$$\text{with } q(r) = \begin{bmatrix} q_x(r) \\ q_y(r) \end{bmatrix} \hat{=} f^S \quad \text{and } t: \text{ thickness of the plate}$$

Jacobian matrix

Since $s = \text{const}$ here, the Jacobian degenerates to $J^S = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \end{bmatrix}$.

Because J^S is not quadratic anymore, one has to use the Gramian determinant:

$$\det(J^S) = \sqrt{J^S J^{ST}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial r}\right)^2}$$

Load in one direction (after the other)

For a vertical load with $q_x(x) = 0$ only the vertical displacement and forces have to be considered:

$$v_S = H^S \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \implies H^S = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(1+r) & \frac{1}{2}(1-r) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} R_{y1} \\ R_{y2} \end{bmatrix} = t \cdot \int_{-1}^1 H^{ST} q_y(r) \det(J) dr$$

Always try set up single forces that representate the distributed load first!

Setting up Mass Matrices

$$M^{(m)} = \int_{V^{(m)}} \rho^{(m)} H^{(m)T} H^{(m)} dV^{(m)}$$

Consistent mass matrix:

$$1D: M^{(m)} = \int_0^L A(x) \rho^{(m)} H^{(m)T} H^{(m)} dx = \int_{-1}^1 A(r) \rho^{(m)} H^{(m)T} H^{(m)} \det(J) dr$$

$$2D: M^{(m)} = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 t(x) \rho^{(m)} H^{(m)T} H^{(m)} \det(J) dr ds$$

Lumped mass matrix:

$$M^{(m)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{m}{n} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{m}{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

with m : Mass of the element; n : Number of

nodes in element

Calculating Stresses

In general: $\sigma = C \cdot BU$

Truss: $\sigma = C\epsilon = E \frac{\Delta L}{L}$ with $\Delta L = \tilde{u}_2 - \tilde{u}_1$

Plate (at $s = s^*$, $r = r^*$): $\sigma = C \cdot B|_{r^*, s^*} U$

Jacobian Matrix

Transformation of coordinates / chain rule / ...:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} \\ \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial t} \end{bmatrix} \text{ so that } \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \end{bmatrix} = J \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}$$

Used to calculate:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} = J^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h}{\partial r} \\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial s} \\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \int_V \dots dV = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \dots \det(J) dr ds dt$$

Rules for Variational Operator

$$\delta \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \delta u \qquad \delta \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b \delta f(s) dx$$

Integration by Parts

$$\int_a^b u'(x)v(x) dx = [u(x)v(x)]_a^b - \int_a^b u(x)v'(x) dx$$

Variation of the Total Potential

Total potential: $\Pi = U - W$

U : Strain energy W : Potential of external loads

Obtain natural boundary conditions and partial differential equation by solving $\delta\Pi = 0$, where Π is the (hopefully given) potential of the system.

Ritz Method

Insert an approximation function for displacement with coefficients a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots and solve $\frac{\partial \Pi}{\partial a_1}, \frac{\partial \Pi}{\partial a_2}, \dots$

$$\text{Note that } \frac{\partial}{\partial a_1} \int_a^b f(a_i) dx = \int_a^b \frac{\partial}{\partial a_1} f(a_i) dx.$$

More stuff...

Gauss Integration

$$K = \int_V F(r, s, t) dr ds dt \quad \text{mit} \quad F(r, s, t) = B^T C B \det(J)$$

Gauss:

$$\int_a^b F(r) dr = \alpha_1 F(r_1) + \alpha_2 F(r_2) + \dots + \alpha_n F(r_n)$$

Polynomials up to the order $(2n - 1)$ can be integrated exactly.

Example

The integral $\int_{-1}^1 F(r) dr$ shall be approximated using

just one approximation point:

$$\int_{-1}^1 F(r) dr = 2 \cdot F(0)$$

two approximation points:

$$\int_{-1}^1 F(r) dr = 1 \cdot F(-0.57735) + 1 \cdot F(0.57735)$$

TABLE 5.6 Sampling points and weights in Gauss-Legendre numerical integration (interval -1 to $+1$)

n	r_i			α_i		
1	0.	(15 zeros)		2.	(15 zeros)	
2	± 0.57735	02691	89626	1.00000	00000	00000
3	± 0.77459	66692	41483	0.55555	55555	55556
	0.00000	00000	00000	0.88888	88888	88889
4	± 0.86113	63115	94053	0.34785	48451	37454
	± 0.33998	10435	84856	0.65214	51548	62546
5	± 0.90617	98459	38664	0.23692	68850	56189
	± 0.53846	93101	05683	0.47862	86704	99366
	0.00000	00000	00000	0.56888	88888	88889
6	± 0.93246	95142	03152	0.17132	44923	79170
	± 0.66120	93864	66265	0.36076	15730	48139
	± 0.23861	91860	83197	0.46791	39345	72691

Newton-Cotes Integration

$$K = \int_V F(r, s, t) dr ds dt \quad \text{mit} \quad F(r, s, t) = B^T C B \det(J)$$

Newton-Cotes:

$$\int_a^b F(r) dr = (b - a) \sum_{i=0}^n C_i^n F_i + R_n$$

with C_i^n : Newton-Cotes constants; R_n : Remainder (error estimation)

The approximation points F_i are linearly distributed, for the distance between to points $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$ holds.

Example

The integral $\int_{-1}^1 F(r) dr$ shall be approximated using

just one interval:

$$\int_{-1}^1 F(r) dr = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} F(-1) + \frac{1}{2} F(1) + R_1 \right)$$

two intervals:

$$\int_{-1}^1 F(r) dr = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6} F(-1) + \frac{4}{6} F(0) + \frac{1}{6} F(1) + R_2 \right)$$

TABLE 5.5 Newton-Cotes numbers and error estimates

Number of intervals n	C_0^n	C_1^n	C_2^n	C_3^n	C_4^n	C_5^n	C_6^n	Upper bound on error R_n as a function of the derivative of F
1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$						$10^{-1}(b - a)^3 F''(r)$
2	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{4}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$					$10^{-3}(b - a)^5 F^{IV}(r)$
3	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$				$10^{-3}(b - a)^5 F^{IV}(r)$
4	$\frac{7}{90}$	$\frac{32}{90}$	$\frac{12}{90}$	$\frac{32}{90}$	$\frac{7}{90}$			$10^{-6}(b - a)^7 F^{VI}(r)$
5	$\frac{19}{288}$	$\frac{75}{288}$	$\frac{50}{288}$	$\frac{50}{288}$	$\frac{75}{288}$	$\frac{19}{288}$		$10^{-6}(b - a)^7 F^{VI}(r)$
6	$\frac{41}{840}$	$\frac{216}{840}$	$\frac{27}{840}$	$\frac{272}{840}$	$\frac{27}{840}$	$\frac{216}{840}$	$\frac{41}{840}$	$10^{-9}(b - a)^9 F^{VIII}(r)$

Centrale Differences Method

$${}^t\ddot{U} = \frac{1}{\Delta t^2} ({}^{t-\Delta t}U - 2{}^tU + {}^{t+\Delta t}U) \quad {}^t\dot{U} = \frac{1}{2\Delta t} ({}^{t-\Delta t}U + {}^{t+\Delta t}U)$$

Error is of order $(\Delta t)^2$.

System of equations at time t :

$$M{}^tU + C{}^t\dot{U} + K{}^tU = {}^tR$$

Because the system is considered at time t , not at time $t + \Delta t$ the method is called *and explicit integration method*.

Insert approximations for ${}^t\ddot{U}$ and ${}^t\dot{U}$:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\Delta t^2}M + \frac{1}{2\Delta t}C\right) {}^{t+\Delta t}U = {}^tR - \left(K - \frac{2}{\Delta t^2}M\right) {}^tU - \left(\frac{1}{\Delta t^2}M - \frac{1}{2\Delta t}C\right) {}^{t-\Delta t}U$$

Since 0U , ${}^0\dot{U}$ and ${}^0\ddot{U}$ are known, one only needs to calculate ${}^{-\Delta t}U$ to start the calculation of one time step after another.

From the equations for ${}^t\ddot{U}$ and ${}^t\dot{U}$ one obtains: ${}^{-\Delta t}U = {}^0U - \Delta t{}^0\dot{U} + \frac{\Delta t^2}{2}{}^0\ddot{U}$

Now one can calculate ${}^{\Delta t}U$ and respectively ${}^{t+\Delta t}U$ and then ${}^t\ddot{U}$ and ${}^t\dot{U}$ for every time step.

TABLE 9.1 Step-by-step solution using central difference method (general mass and damping matrices)

A. Initial calculations:

1. Form stiffness matrix \mathbf{K} , mass matrix \mathbf{M} , and damping matrix \mathbf{C} .
2. Initialize ${}^0\mathbf{U}$, ${}^0\dot{\mathbf{U}}$, and ${}^0\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$.
3. Select time step Δt , $\Delta t \leq \Delta t_{cr}$, and calculate integration constants:

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{\Delta t^2}; \quad a_1 = \frac{1}{2\Delta t}; \quad a_2 = 2a_0; \quad a_3 = \frac{1}{a_2}$$

4. Calculate ${}^{-\Delta t}\mathbf{U} = {}^0\mathbf{U} - \Delta t{}^0\dot{\mathbf{U}} + a_3{}^0\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$.
5. Form effective mass matrix $\hat{\mathbf{M}} = a_0\mathbf{M} + a_1\mathbf{C}$.
6. Triangularize $\hat{\mathbf{M}}$: $\hat{\mathbf{M}} = \mathbf{LDL}^T$.

B. For each time step:

1. Calculate effective loads at time t :

$${}^t\hat{\mathbf{R}} = {}^t\mathbf{R} - (\mathbf{K} - a_2\mathbf{M}) {}^t\mathbf{U} - (a_0\mathbf{M} - a_1\mathbf{C}) {}^{t-\Delta t}\mathbf{U}$$

2. Solve for displacements at time $t + \Delta t$:

$$\mathbf{LDL}^T {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U} = {}^t\hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

3. If required, evaluate accelerations and velocities at time t :

$${}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}} = a_0({}^{t-\Delta t}\mathbf{U} - 2{}^t\mathbf{U} + {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U})$$

$${}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}} = a_1({}^{t-\Delta t}\mathbf{U} + {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U})$$

Newmark Integration

Assumptions:

$${}^{t+\Delta t}\dot{\mathbf{U}} = {}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}} + \left[(1 - \delta) {}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}} + \delta {}^{t+\Delta t}\ddot{\mathbf{U}} \right] \Delta t$$

$${}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U} = {}^t\mathbf{U} + {}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}}\Delta t + \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} - \alpha \right) {}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}} + \alpha {}^{t+\Delta t}\ddot{\mathbf{U}} \right] \Delta t^2$$

Obtain ${}^{t+\Delta t}\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$ from second equation, insert in first equation.

Insert the resulting equations for ${}^{t+\Delta t}\dot{\mathbf{U}}$ and ${}^{t+\Delta t}\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$ in the equation of motion at time $t + \Delta t$.

$$\mathbf{M} {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{C} {}^{t+\Delta t}\dot{\mathbf{U}} + \mathbf{K} {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U} = {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{R}$$

Because the system is considered at time $t + \Delta t$, not at time t the method is called *implicit integration method*.

TABLE 9.4 Step-by-step solution using Newmark integration method

A. Initial calculations:

1. Form stiffness matrix \mathbf{K} , mass matrix \mathbf{M} , and damping matrix \mathbf{C} .
2. Initialize ${}^0\mathbf{U}$, ${}^0\dot{\mathbf{U}}$, and ${}^0\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$.
3. Select time step Δt and parameters α and δ and calculate integration constants:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta &\geq 0.50; & \alpha &\geq 0.25(0.5 + \delta)^2 \\ a_0 &= \frac{1}{\alpha \Delta t^2}; & a_1 &= \frac{\delta}{\alpha \Delta t}; & a_2 &= \frac{1}{\alpha \Delta t}; & a_3 &= \frac{1}{2\alpha} - 1; \\ a_4 &= \frac{\delta}{\alpha} - 1; & a_5 &= \frac{\Delta t}{2} \left(\frac{\delta}{\alpha} - 2 \right); & a_6 &= \Delta t(1 - \delta); & a_7 &= \delta \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

4. Form effective stiffness matrix $\hat{\mathbf{K}}$: $\hat{\mathbf{K}} = \mathbf{K} + a_0\mathbf{M} + a_1\mathbf{C}$.
5. Triangularize $\hat{\mathbf{K}}$: $\hat{\mathbf{K}} = \mathbf{LDL}^T$.

B. For each time step:

1. Calculate effective loads at time $t + \Delta t$:

$${}^{t+\Delta t}\hat{\mathbf{R}} = {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{M}(a_0 {}^t\mathbf{U} + a_2 {}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}} + a_3 {}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}}) + \mathbf{C}(a_1 {}^t\mathbf{U} + a_4 {}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}} + a_5 {}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}})$$

2. Solve for displacements at time $t + \Delta t$:

$$\mathbf{LDL}^T {}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U} = {}^{t+\Delta t}\hat{\mathbf{R}}$$

3. Calculate accelerations and velocities at time $t + \Delta t$:

$${}^{t+\Delta t}\ddot{\mathbf{U}} = a_0({}^{t+\Delta t}\mathbf{U} - {}^t\mathbf{U}) - a_2 {}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}} - a_3 {}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$$

$${}^{t+\Delta t}\dot{\mathbf{U}} = {}^t\dot{\mathbf{U}} + a_6 {}^t\ddot{\mathbf{U}} + a_7 {}^{t+\Delta t}\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$$

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