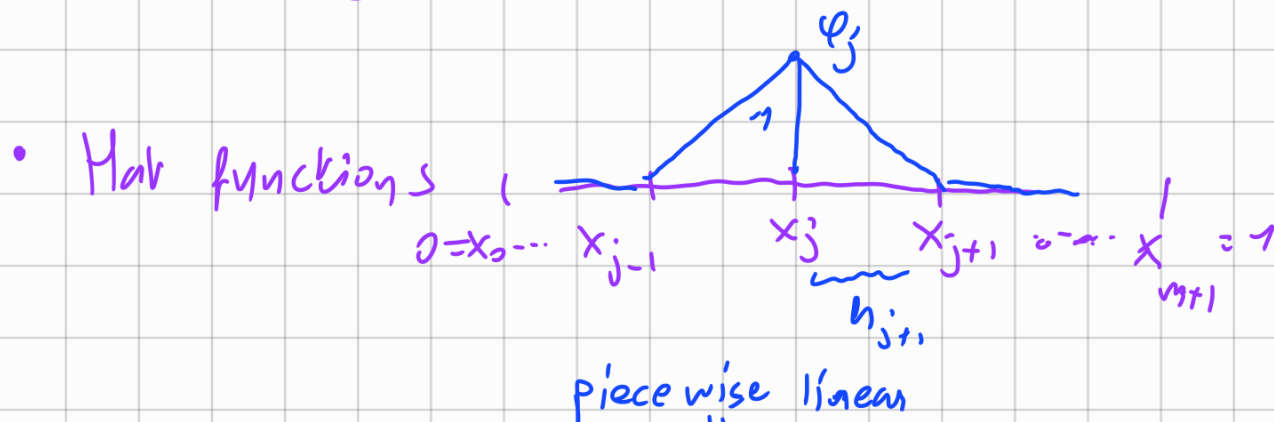


Recall:  $L^2(0,1)$  inner product

$$(f, g)_2 = \int_0^1 f(x) g(x) dx$$

$$H_0^1(0,1) = \{ v \in H^1(0,1) : v(0) = v(1) = 0 \}$$



$V_h(0,1)$  = space of continuous pw linear functions on  $[0,1]$

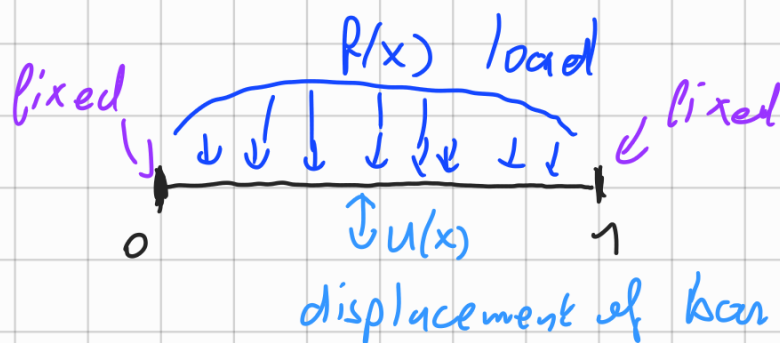
$$= \text{span} \{ \psi_0, \psi_1, \psi_2, \dots, \psi_{m+1} \}$$

$$v \in V_h(0,1) \Rightarrow v(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m+1} \xi_j \psi_j(x)$$

$\psi_j$  basis  
 $v(x_j) \rightarrow$  coordinates

## 2) Galerkin method:

Prob: Load on bar



Can be describe by eq.

$$\begin{cases} -(a(x)u'(x))' = f(x) & 0 < x < 1 \\ u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

where  $a(x)$  is called the modulus of elasticity  
(given)

To simplify the presentation, take  $a(x) = 1$  and  
get:

$$(BVP) \quad \begin{cases} -u''(x) = f(x) & 0 < x < 1 & (DE) \\ u(0) = 0, u(1) = 0. & (BC) \end{cases}$$

Def: The above BC are called

homogeneous Dirichlet BC

( $= 0$  / if  $= 1$  p.ex  $\rightarrow$  inhomogeneous)

If  $f$  is complicated  $\Rightarrow$  difficult/impossible  
to find the exact sol.  $u$ !

$\hookrightarrow$  need a numerical approximation  $\Rightarrow$

FEM = finite element method

Idea (Galerkin):

- (i) Look for a VF (done before LM)
- (ii) Find a finite element solution (use  $V_h(\Omega)$ )
- (iii) Solve linear syst. of equations (" $Ax=b$ ")

Details:

- (i) Multiply (BVP) with a test function  $v$

(To be specified), integrate, by part:

$$\underbrace{- \int_0^1 u''(x) v(x) dx}_{\text{by part}} = \int_0^1 f(x) v(x) dx \quad \text{for some } v.$$

$$\underbrace{- u'(x) v(x) \Big|_0^1}_{\text{by part}} + \int_0^1 u'(x) v'(x) dx \quad (\text{by part})$$

$$- u'(1) v(1) + u'(0) v(0) = 0$$

$\parallel$   
0

$\parallel$   
0

force  $v$  to be zero

on the boundary [homog. Dirichlet BC]

$$u(0) = g, u(1) = 0$$

The above tells us that a good

choice for a space of test functions is  $H_0^1(0,1)$  !!

This then gives us

(VF) Find  $u \in H_0^1(0,1)$  s.t.  $(u', v')_{L^2} = (f, v)_{L^2} \quad \forall v \in H_0^1(0,1)$

Rem! One can treat other type of BC.  
~ later

(ii) Next, consider a partition of  $[0,1]$ ,  $T_h$ :

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 \dots < x_m < x_{m+1} = 1, \text{ for } m \text{ a}$$

fixed integer, where  $x_j - x_{j-1} = h$  for  $j=1, 2, \dots, m+1$ .  
 $\downarrow$  same  $h \rightarrow$  uniform

Consider FE space  $V_h^0 = \{v: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : v \text{ cont.},$   
pw linear on  $T_h, v(0)=0,$   
 $v(1)=0\}$

Observe  $V_h^0 \subset H_0^1$ , and

$$V_h^0 = \text{span}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots, \varphi_m), \text{ with}$$

hat functions  $\varphi_j, j=1, \dots, m$ .  $\dim(V_h^0) = m$ .

With the above, we define the FE problem

(finite element problem)

(FE) Find  $u_h \in V_h^0$  s.t.  $(u_h', x')_{L^2} = (f, x)_{L^2} \quad \forall x \in V_h^0$

(iii) In order to find a linear system from

(FE), we choose  $\chi = \varphi_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

and write  $u_h(x) = \sum_{j=1}^m \zeta_j \cdot \varphi_j(x)$

$\downarrow$  coordinates  $\downarrow$  basis / hat funct.  
(??)

We insert the above in (FE) to get:

$$\left( \sum_{j=1}^m \zeta_j \varphi_j', \varphi_i' \right)_L = (f, \varphi_i')_L \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

By linearity:

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \zeta_j \underbrace{(\varphi_j', \varphi_i')_L}_{s_{ij}} = \underbrace{(f, \varphi_i')_L}_{b_i} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, m.$$

Finally, we get the linear system

$$\underline{S} \cdot \underline{\zeta} = \underline{b}, \quad \text{where}$$

$\underline{S} = (s_{ij})_{i,j=1}^m$  is stiffness matrix

$\underline{b} = (b_i)_{i=1}^m$  is load vector

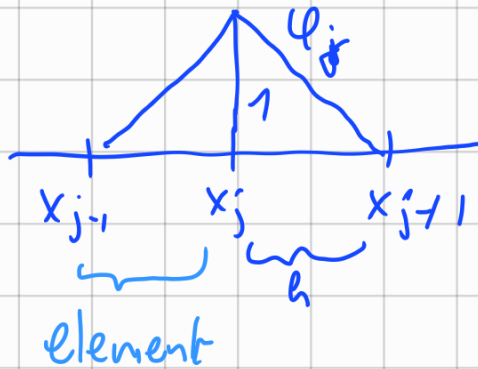
$\underline{\zeta} = (\zeta_i)_{i=1}^m$  is unknown  $(u_h(x) = \sum_j \zeta_j \varphi_j(x))$

Now we compute  $\underline{S}$ :

Ex. on the diagonal

$$S_{jj} = (\psi_j', \psi_j')_{L^2} = \int_0^1 (\psi_j')^2 dx$$

Recall,



$$\psi_j'(x) = \begin{cases} 1/h, & x_{j-1} \leq x \leq x_j \\ -1/h, & x_j \leq x \leq x_{j+1} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Hence,

$$S_{jj} = \int_0^1 (\psi_j'(x))^2 dx = \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_{j+1}} (\psi_j'(x))^2 dx = \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \left(\frac{1}{h}\right)^2 dx + \int_{x_j}^{x_{j+1}} \left(-\frac{1}{h}\right)^2 dx$$

Def  $\psi_j'$       Def  $\psi_j$

$$= \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} \left(\frac{1}{h}\right)^2 dx + \int_{x_j}^{x_{j+1}} \left(-\frac{1}{h}\right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{h^2} \cdot h + \frac{1}{h^2} \cdot h = \frac{2}{h}$$

$$\hookrightarrow S = \frac{1}{h} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{at home})$$

For the load vector  $b$ , we get the component

$$b_j = \int_0^1 f(x) \psi_j(x) dx$$

easy to integrate  $\leadsto$  exact formula

If  $f(x) \cdot \ell_j(x)$  is complicated  $\leadsto$  need  
to numerically approximate integrals!!  
 $\leadsto$  see next chapter.

## Chapter II: Interpolation and numerical integration

Goal: Discuss interpolation: pass a simple function through data points.

Discuss num. int.:  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx \approx \dots$

### 1) Polynomial interpolation:

Prob/Def:

Consider a continuous function

$f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $(q+1)$  distinct

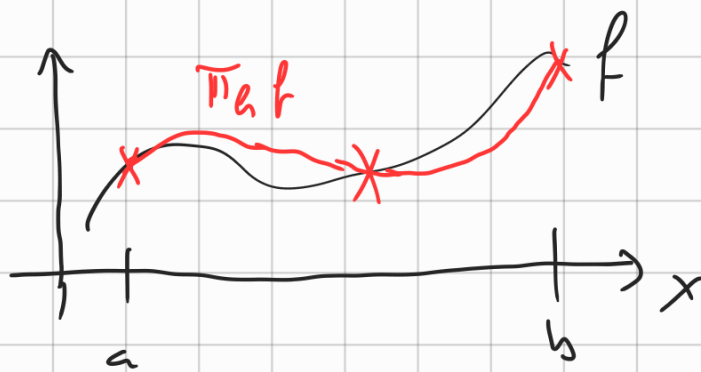
interpolation points  $(x_j, f(x_j))_{j=0}^q$  where

$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_q = b$ .

A polynomial  $\pi_q f \in \mathcal{P}^{(q)}(a, b)$  is called

a polynomial interpolant if

$(\pi_q f)(x_j) = f(x_j)$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, q$



How do we compute  $\Pi_q f$ ?

Ex: (Linear interpolation on  $[0,1]$ , standard basis)

linear  $\rightarrow q=1 \rightarrow 2$  points  $x_0=0, x_1=1$ .

We know that  $\mathcal{P}^{(1)}(0,1) = \text{span}(1, x) \Rightarrow$

$\Pi_1 f(x) = c \cdot 1 + d \cdot x$ , and we find  $c$  and  $d$  using the conditions:

$$\begin{cases} \Pi_1 f(0) \stackrel{!}{=} f(0) = c \cdot 1 + d \cdot 0 & \Rightarrow c = f(0) \\ \Pi_1 f(1) \stackrel{!}{=} f(1) = c \cdot 1 + d \cdot 1 & \Rightarrow d = f(1) - f(0) \end{cases}$$

We need this equality  
(by def of interpolant)

$$\hookrightarrow \Pi_1 f(x) = f(0) + (f(1) - f(0)) \cdot x$$

(eq. line)

$$\hookrightarrow \mathcal{P}^{(q)}(0,1) = \text{span}(1, x, x^2, \dots, x^q) \rightarrow q+1 \text{ unknown "c,d"}$$

$(\Pi_q f)(x_j) = f(x_j)$  for  $j=0, \dots, q \rightarrow q+1$  equations

$\rightarrow$  linear syst. " $Ax=b$ "