

Recall: • FE of Poisson's eq:

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

Find $u_h \in V_h$ s.t. $(u_h', x') = (f, x') \quad \forall x' \in V_h$

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

$$= \text{Span}(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_m)$$

φ_j hat f ab

gives $F'Z = b$, $b = (b_j)_{j=1}^m$, $b_j = \int_0^1 f(x) \varphi_j(x) dx$

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• Interpolation:



x given
interpol. points

Use $\mathcal{P}^{(q)}(a,b) = \text{Span}(1, x, x^2, \dots, x^q)$

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polyn. of degree $\leq q$

Consider $(q+1)$ distinct points

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

Def: Lagrange polynomials are defined as

$$\lambda_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^q \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j} \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1, \dots, q$$

Rem: • $\lambda_i(x_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases} \quad \leadsto \text{nodal basis}$

$$\bullet \mathcal{P}^{(q)}(a, b) = \text{span}(\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_q).$$

Ex: linear interpolation on $[0, 1]$ (Lagrange basis)

linear $\Rightarrow q=1$ and $x_0 = 0 < x_1 = 1$.

Use Lagrange polynomials

$$\lambda_0(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} = \frac{x - 1}{-1} = 1 - x$$

Def λ_i Def x_0, x_1

$$\lambda_1(x) = \frac{x - x_0}{x_1 - x_0} = \frac{x}{1} = x$$

We know that $\mathcal{P}^{(1)}[0, 1] = \text{span}(\lambda_0, \lambda_1) = \text{span}(1-x, x).$

In order to find the linear interpolant

$\Pi_1 f$ of some given function f , we observe

$$\Pi_1 f(x) = c_0 \cdot \lambda_0(x) + c_1 \cdot \lambda_1(x) = c_0(1-x) + c_1 \cdot x$$

λ_i basis

$\Pi_1 f$ should interpolate f

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_1 f(x_0) &\stackrel{!}{=} f(x_0) & x_0=0 & \Rightarrow c_0 = f(x_0) \\ \Pi_1 f(x_1) &\stackrel{!}{=} f(x_1) & x_1=1 & \Rightarrow c_1 = f(x_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \Pi_1 f(x) = f(x_0) \cdot (1-x) + f(x_1) \cdot x =$$

$$= f(x_0) + x \cdot (f(x_1) - f(x_0))$$

(eq. line, same as last week)

Ex: $q=2 \leadsto$ book p. 92, expl. 3.7

What is the error of such polynomial interpolant?

Recall: How to measure distances between functions?

Use L^p -norms!

$$\|f\|_{L^p(a,b)} = \left(\int_a^b |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \quad p=1,2$$

$$\|f\|_{L^\infty(a,b)} = \max_{x \in [a,b]} |f(x)| \quad (f \text{ cont.})$$

"Distance" between f and g : $\|f-g\|_{L^p, \dots}$

Th: Let $p=1,2,\infty$. Assume $f \in C^2(a,b)$ and

$f', f'' \in L^p(a,b)$. Then, $\exists$ constants c_1, c_2, c_3 s.t.

$$1) \underbrace{\|\pi_1 f - f\|_{L^p(a,b)}}_{\text{error}} \leq c_1 \cdot (b-a)^2 \cdot \|f''\|_{L^p(a,b)}$$

$$2) \|\pi_1 f - f\|_{L^p(a,b)} \leq c_2 \cdot (b-a) \cdot \|f'\|_{L^p(a,b)}$$

$$3) \|(\pi_1 f)' - f'\|_{L^p(a,b)} \leq c_3 \cdot (b-a) \cdot \|f''\|_{L^p(a,b)}$$

This for linear interpolation $\pi_1 f$.

Proof (of 1) and $p=\infty$)

• From previous example, we know

$$\pi_1 f(x) = f(a) \cdot \lambda_0(x) + f(b) \cdot \lambda_1(x), \text{ where}$$

We have used Lagrange polynomials

$$\lambda_0(x) = \frac{x-b}{a-b}, \quad \lambda_1(x) = \frac{x-a}{b-a}$$

• Using a Taylor expansion, we get

$$f(a) = f(x) + f'(x)(a-x) + \frac{f''(\zeta_0)}{2}(a-x)^2, \text{ where } \zeta_0 \in (a, x)$$

$$f(b) = f(x) + f'(x)(b-x) + \frac{f''(\zeta_1)}{2}(b-x)^2, \text{ where } \zeta_1 \in (x, b).$$

• The above gives us $f(a), f(b)$

$$\Pi_1 f(x) = f(a)\lambda_0(x) + f(b)\lambda_1(x) = \dots =$$

$$= f(x) + \frac{1}{2} f''(\zeta_0)(a-x)^2 \lambda_0(x) + \frac{1}{2} f''(\zeta_1)(b-x)^2 \lambda_1(x)$$

• For the error, we thus get

$$|\Pi_1 f(x) - f(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |f''(\zeta_0)| (a-x)^2 |\lambda_0(x)| + \frac{1}{2} |f''(\zeta_1)| (b-x)^2 |\lambda_1(x)|$$

$$\leq \max_{\eta \in [a, b]} |f''(\eta)| \leq (b-a)^2 \leq 1 \quad (\text{def } \lambda_1)$$

(since $x \in (a, b)$)

$$\leq \max_{y \in [a, b]} |f''(y)| \cdot (b-a)^2$$

$$\hookrightarrow \| \pi_1 f - f \|_{L^\infty} \leq \| f'' \|_{L^\infty} \cdot (b-a)^2$$

(using def L^∞ -norm)

2) Continuous piecewise linear interpolation:

We do the "same" as above with

pw linear functions (used for instance in FEM),

Recall: $V_h(a, b) = \{ v: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : v \text{ is cont. pw linear on } T_h \} =$

$$= \text{Span}(\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_{m+1}),$$

where T_h is a partition of $[a, b]$:

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_m = x_{m+1} = b, \text{ and}$$

$h_j = x_j - x_{j-1}$, and φ_j are hat functions

Any $v \in V_h$ can be written as

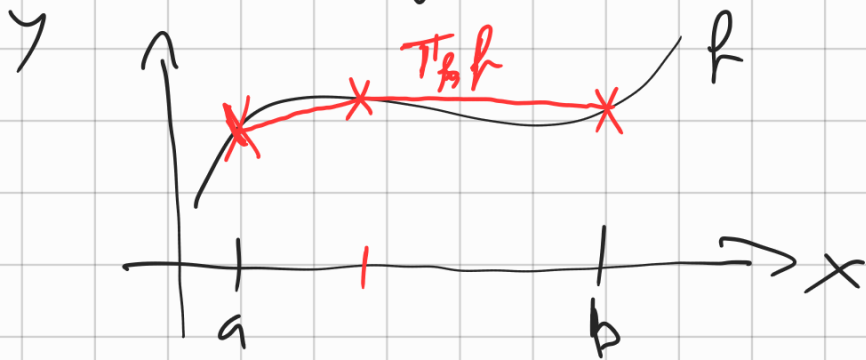
$$v(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m+1} v(x_j) \varphi_j(x)$$

Def: A mesh function is defined as

$$h(x) = h_j \quad \text{for } x \in (x_{j-1}, x_j)$$

Def: Let $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and the above partition τ_n . The continuous piecewise linear interpolant of f is defined by

$$\underline{\pi_n f(x)} = \sum_{j=0}^{n+1} f(x_j) \varphi_j(x) \quad \text{for } x \in [a, b]$$



Ex! Let $f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)+1$ for $x \in [1,3]$ and uniform partition of $[1,3]$ into 2 subintervals. Find π_{eff} ?

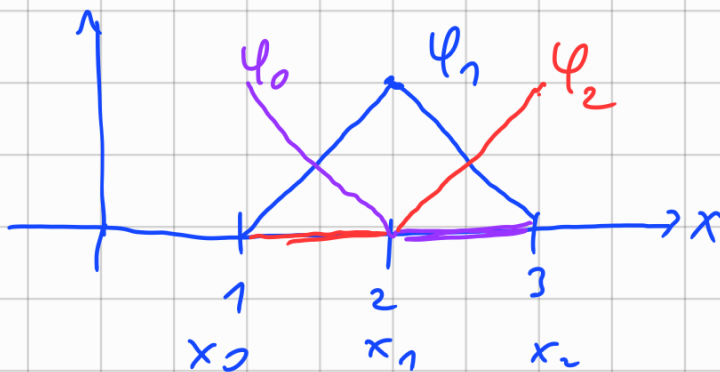
We have $m=1$ and $T_e: \begin{matrix} x_0 < x_1 < x_2 \\ \parallel & \parallel & \downarrow \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{matrix}$

and $h = \frac{b-a}{n+1} = \frac{3-1}{2} = 1.$

By def, $\Pi_h f(x) = f(x_0) \cdot \psi_0(x) + f(x_1) \psi_1(x) + f(x_2) \psi_2(x),$

where $f(x_0) = f(1) = 1, f(x_1) = f(2) = 1,$

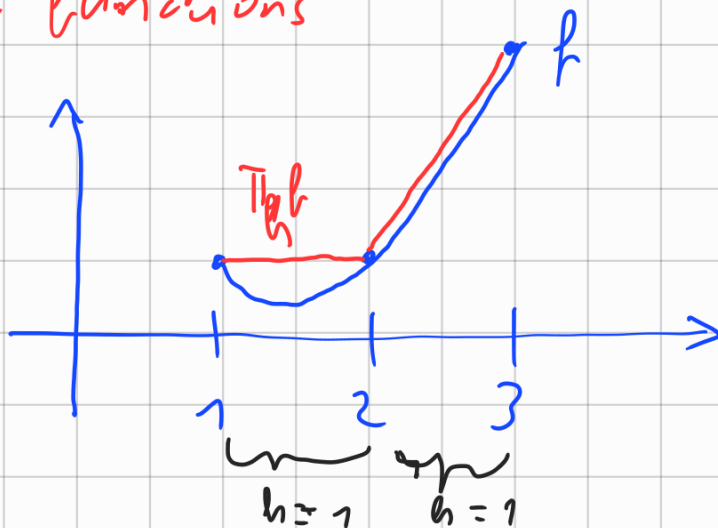
$f(x_2) = f(3) = 3$



This gives us: $\Pi_1 f(x) = \dots = \psi_0(x) + \psi_1(x) + 3\psi_2(x) =$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{x-x_1}{-h} + \frac{x-x_0}{h} + 0 = 1 & \text{for } x_0 \leq x \leq x_1 \\ 0 + \frac{x-x_2}{-h} + 3\left(\frac{x-x_1}{h}\right) = 2x-3 & \text{for } x_1 \leq x \leq x_2. \end{cases}$$

use def ψ_i hat functions



It seems $h \rightarrow 0$ then $\Pi_h f$ better approx to f .

Th: Let $f \in C^2(a, b)$ and $\Pi_h f$ cont. piecew. interp.

Then, the errors can be bounded by

$$1) \|\Pi_h f - f\|_{L^p} \leq C_1 \cdot h^2 \cdot \|f''\|_{L^p}$$

$$2) \|\Pi_h f - f\|_{L^p} \leq C_2 \cdot h \cdot \|f'\|_{L^p}$$

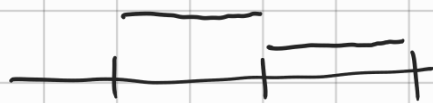
$$3) \|(\Pi_h f)' - f'\|_{L^p} \leq C_3 \cdot h \cdot \|f''\|_{L^p}$$

for $p = 1, 2, \infty$ and a uniform partition.

Rem: • error $\rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$

• error is larger when f'' is large (i.e. f bends a lot)

• for non-uniform partition, $h(x)$ mesh function, 1) reads



$$1) \|\Pi_h f - f\|_{L^p} \leq C \cdot \|h^2 f''\|_{L^p}$$

and similar for other estimates.

Proof: (1) and $p = 1, 2$, uniform grid)

$$\|\Pi_h f - f\|_{L^p(a,b)}^p = \int_a^b |\Pi_h f(x) - f(x)|^p dx =$$

Def norm

$$\stackrel{\text{Def } T_h}{=} \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} |\pi_h f(x) - f(x)|^p dx = \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \underbrace{\|\pi_h f - f\|_{L^p(x_{j-1}, x_j)}^p}_{\text{Def norm linear by def } \pi_h}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Previous Theorem}}{\leq} \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} (C \cdot h^2)^p \|f''\|_{L^p(x_{j-1}, x_j)}^p \leq (C h^2)^p \sum_{j=1}^{m+1} \|f''\|_{L^p(x_{j-1}, x_j)}^p$$

$$\leq (C h^2)^p \|f''\|_{L^p(a, b)}^p$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Error } \|\pi_h f - f\|_{L^p(a, b)} \leq C h^2 \|f''\|_{L^p(a, b)}$$

3) Numerical integration / quadrature formulae

Probs Find approximations of integrals $\int_a^b f(x) dx$

Idea: Approximate $f(x) \approx$ polyn. of degree q
 $p(x)$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \underbrace{\int_a^b p(x) dx}_{\text{easy to integrate!}}$$

The following examples are classical

quadrature formulas:

• $q=0$: $f(x) \approx f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$ (constant polyn.)

Then, $\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \int_a^b f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) dx = (b-a) f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$

This gives us the midpoint rule

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx (b-a) \cdot f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

