THE FINITE ELEMENT METHOD, FHL064 2012 Dept. of Solid Mechanics

FINAL EXAMINATION: 2012-05-31

A maximum of 60 points can be achieved in this examination. To pass at least 30 points are required.

Problem 1: (8p)



A nine-node Lagrange element have been used in a two-dimensional heat conduction FEanalysis. The solution for the element is given by

$$\boldsymbol{a}^{T} = [0.3 \ 0.2 \ 0.76 \ 0.72 \ 0.25 \ 0.46 \ 0.27 \ 0.0 \ 0.29]$$

• Calculate the temperature in point (0,0.25).

Problem 2: (12p)

Consider a box of dimensions $4 \times 4 \times 3$ with the eight corners located at $(\pm 2, \pm 2, -1)$ and $(\pm 2, \pm 2, 2)$. Use Gauss integration (use one integration point) to calculate the integral

$$I = \int_{V} f dV$$

where f = x + y + z.

Problem 3: (6p)

For a beam of length a the interpolation for the displacement is given by

- a) Sketch the shape functions
- b) Indicate in all sketches if the shape function or slope of the shape function has the value 1 at the nodal points.

Problem 4: (12p) HAND IN THIS PAPER ! NAME:

The finite element formulation for two dimensional heat conduction takes the form:

$$\left(\underbrace{\int_{A} \boldsymbol{B}^{T} \boldsymbol{D} \boldsymbol{B} dA}_{\boldsymbol{K}} + \underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{L}_{c}} \alpha \boldsymbol{N}^{T} \boldsymbol{N} d\mathcal{L}}_{\boldsymbol{\tilde{K}}}\right) \boldsymbol{a} = \underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{L}_{c}} \boldsymbol{N}^{T} \alpha T_{\infty} d\mathcal{L}}_{\boldsymbol{f}_{c}} - \underbrace{\int_{\mathcal{L}_{g}} \boldsymbol{N}^{T} q_{n} d\mathcal{L} - \int_{\mathcal{L}_{h}} \boldsymbol{N}^{T} h d\mathcal{L}}_{\boldsymbol{f}_{b}} + \underbrace{\int_{A} \boldsymbol{N}^{T} Q dA}_{\boldsymbol{f}_{l}}$$

where \mathcal{L}_c is the boundary where convection applies, \mathcal{L}_h is the boundary where the heat flow is prescribed and \mathcal{L}_g is the boundary where the temperature is prescribed.



Figure 1: Mesh consisting of three four node elements and five three node elements. The boundary conditions for the problem is given below

Prescribed temperature along nodes 9-10-11, i.e. T = a

Prescribed heat flow along 1-2-3-4, i.e. $q_n = h \neq 0$

Convection along 1-5-9 and 4-8-11, i.e. $q_n=\alpha(T-T_\infty)$

Moreover, heat is supplied via the two point sources Q_1 and Q_2 .

In the system of equations below mark

 \mathbf{x} – components that are known and different from zero

? – components that are unknown and different from zero

all blank positions are interpreted as zero.



Problem 5: (12p)

A two dimensional boundary value problem is governed by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left((1+x^2)\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}\right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left((1+y^2)\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}\right) + \xi = \dot{\varphi}$$

where $\xi = \xi(x, y)$ is time independent.

- a) Derive the weak form corresponding to the differential equation above.
- b) Derive the finite element equation.
- c) A part of a domain should be modelled using four node quadratic elements. Suggest an approximation for that element. (You may assume that the element sides are parallell with the coordinate axes.)
- d) Does the proposed approximation fulfill the convergence criterion ?
- e) Does the proposed approximation involve any parasitic terms ?

Problem 6: (10p)

The stiffness matrix and the load vector in a heat conduction problem reads

$$\boldsymbol{K} = \int_{A} \boldsymbol{B}^{T} \boldsymbol{D} \boldsymbol{B} dA, \quad \boldsymbol{f}_{l} = \int_{A} \boldsymbol{N}^{T} Q dA$$

For element 1 depicted below, calculate the element stiffness matrix and the load vector.



Figure 2: Mesh consisting of three four node elements and five three node elements.

The coordinates for node 7 is (7, 1), node 11 (8, 2) and node 8 (9, 1). The constitutive matrix D is given by D = kI where the conductivity is known and constant. The heat source Q, is in this case a point source located at (8, 1.75) with the magnitude Q_0 .

Some hints that might be helpful

Hint: Green-Gauss's theorem states:

$$\int_{A} \phi \, div \boldsymbol{q} dA = \oint_{\mathcal{L}} \phi \boldsymbol{q}^{T} \boldsymbol{n} d\mathcal{L} - \int_{A} (\boldsymbol{\nabla} \phi)^{T} \boldsymbol{q} dA$$

Hint: Some trigonometric relations:

$$\sin^2(\alpha) + \cos^2(\alpha) = 1$$

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin(\alpha)\cos(\beta) + \cos(\alpha)\sin(\beta), \quad \cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos(\alpha)\cos(\beta) - \sin(\alpha)\sin(\beta)$$
$$\sin^{2}(\alpha) = \frac{1 - \cos(2\alpha)}{2}, \quad \cos^{2}(\alpha) = \frac{1 + \cos(2\alpha)}{2}$$
$$\sin(2\alpha) = 2\sin(\alpha)\cos(\alpha), \quad \tan(2\alpha) = \frac{2\tan(\alpha)}{1 - \tan^{2}(\alpha)}$$

Hint: A quadratic matrix is positive semidefinite if

$$\boldsymbol{a}^T \boldsymbol{K} \boldsymbol{a} \ge 0, \quad \forall \boldsymbol{a}, \quad \text{and} \quad \boldsymbol{a}^T \boldsymbol{K} \boldsymbol{a} = 0 \quad \text{for some} \quad \boldsymbol{a} \neq \boldsymbol{0}$$

Hint: The interpolation formula of Lagrange is given by

$$l_k^{n-1} = \frac{(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_{k-1})(x-x_{k+1})\dots(x-x_n)}{(x_k-x_1)\dots(x_k-x_{k-1})(x_k-x_{k+1})\dots(x_k-x_n)}$$

Hint: Fourier's law is given by $\boldsymbol{q} = -\boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{\nabla}T$ Hint:



Hint: The position, ξ_i , of the integration points and weights, H_i , for *n* number of integration points can be found from

where integration from -1 to 1 is assumed.

Hint:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & a & b \\ 1 & c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} (ad - bc) & 0 & 0 \\ -d + b & d & -b \\ c - a & -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$