

# THE FINITE ELEMENT METHOD 2017

## Dept. of Solid Mechanics

EXAMINATION: 2017-05-29

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

**Permitted aid:** Pocket calculator.

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**Hand in the exam!!!!**

### Problem 1: (12p)

Consider the four node element used to model an elastic boundary value problem. The nodes 2-3-4 are located along the boundary and the traction along 3-4 is sketched below. Moreover, in point  $(30, -4.5)$  a load  $F$  of magnitude  $1000N/m$  is applied. The direction of the load  $F$  is  $\mathbf{n} = 1/\sqrt{2}[1 \ 1]$ .

Calculate the contribution from the traction and the load  $F$  to the boundary load vector,  $\mathbf{f}_b = \int_{\mathcal{L}_{2-3-4}} \mathbf{N}^T t d\mathcal{L}$ . The thickness of the element is  $5mm$ .

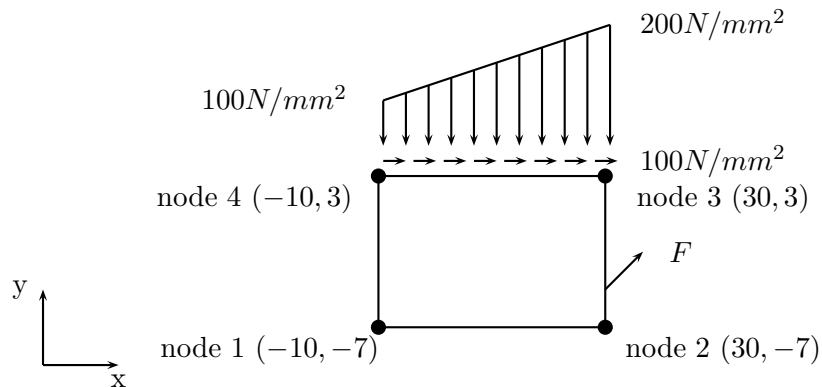


Figure 1: Four node element. All coordinates are in  $mm$ .

## Problem 2: (6p)

In the element routine plani4e.m the stiffness matrix  $\mathbf{k}^e = \int_{A_e} \mathbf{B}^{eT} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B}^e t dA$  is calculated for an isoparametric plane four node element. One part of the code has been erased. State the code that has been erased !

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colD=size(D,2);
if colD>3
    Dm=D([1 2 4],[1 2 4]);
else
    Dm=D;
end

for i=1:ngp
    indx=[ 2*i-1; 2*i ];
    detJ=det(JT(indx,:));
    if detJ<10*eps
        disp('Jacobideterminant equal or less than zero!')
    end
    JTinv=inv(JT(indx,:));
    dNx=JTinv*dNr(indx,:);

    B(1,1:2:8-1)=dNx(1,:);
    B(2,2:2:8) =dNx(2,:);
    B( )=dNx( );
    B( )=dNx( );

    N2(1,1:2:8-1)=N(i,:);
    N2(2,2:2:8) =N(i,:);

    Ke=Ke+B'*Dm*B*detJ*wp(i)*t;
    fe=fe+N2'*b*detJ*wp(i)*t;
end
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else
    error('Error ! Check first argument, ptype=1 or 2 allowed')
    return
end
%-----end-----

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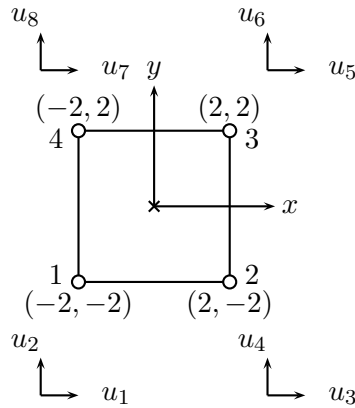
Figure 2: Part of the routine plani4e.m

**Hint:** The strain components in a plane analysis is given by are  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T = [\epsilon_{xx} \ \epsilon_{yy} \ \gamma_{xy}]$  and  $\epsilon_{xx} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x}$   $\epsilon_{yy} = \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y}$ ,  $\gamma_{xy} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x}$

**Problem 3: (8p)**

The element displacement vector for the element below is

$$\mathbf{a}^e = [0.0 \ 0.2 \ 0.0 \ -0.2 \ 0.0 \ 0.2 \ 0.0 \ -0.2]^T$$



- Use one integration point to calculate the strain energy,  $\int_A t \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T \boldsymbol{\sigma} dA = \int_A t \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T \mathbf{D} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} dA$  where  $\mathbf{D}$  is a constant constitutive matrix. Motivate your answer.

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The elasticity matrix  $\mathbf{D}$  is given by  $\mathbf{D} = \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \nu & 0 \\ \nu & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2}(1-\nu) \end{bmatrix}$  where  $E$  and  $\nu$  are constant material parameters.

**Problem 4: (12p)**

The governing equation for heat conduction in a one-dimensional rod subjected to convection along the constant perimeter,  $P$ , is given by

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( Ak \frac{dT}{dx} \right) - \alpha P (T - T_\infty) = 0 \quad 0 < x < L$$

The boundary conditions are given by  $q(x=0) = \alpha P L T_\infty / A$  and  $T(x=L) = T_\infty$ . The 1D Fourier law reads  $q = -k \frac{dT}{dx}$ .

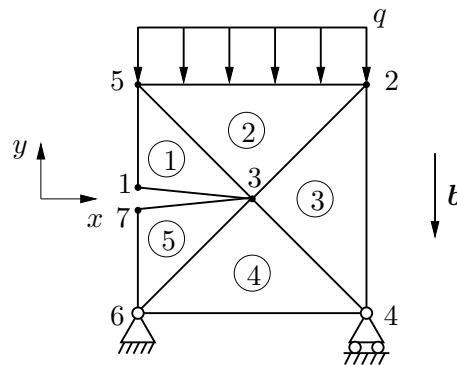
- Derive the weak form and finite element formulation for the problem.
- Use two elements of equal size to determine the temperature distribution. The convection coefficient is given by  $\alpha = 16kA/(PL^2)$ . All geometrical and material parameters are constant along the rod.

**Problem 5: (10p)**

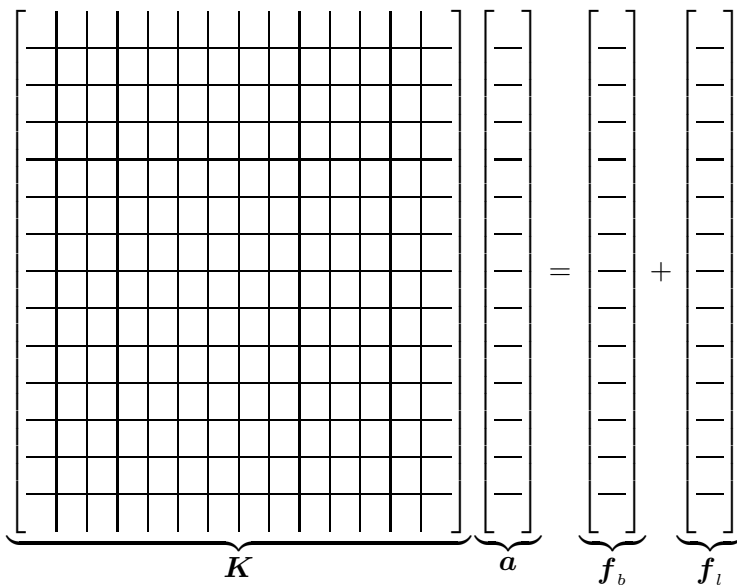
The finite element formulation for two dimensional linear elastic problem takes the form

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{f}_b + \mathbf{f}_l$$

where  $\mathbf{K}$  is the stiffness matrix and  $\mathbf{a}$  the vector of unknown node displacements. The right hand side vectors  $\mathbf{f}_b$  stem from the line load  $q$  and  $\mathbf{f}_l$  from gravitation  $\mathbf{b}$  which acts on all elements.

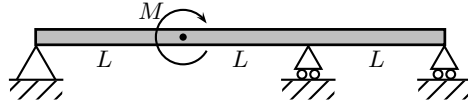


The above depicted mesh consists of five linear triangular elements. For the indicated boundary and load conditions mark in the system of equations below with  
 x – components that are known and different from zero  
 ? – components that are unknown and different from zero  
 all blank positions are interpreted as zero.



**Problem 6: (12p) (Only Pi and I (FHLF10))**

A beam of length  $3L$  and stiffness  $EI$  is supported and loaded according to the figure below. The moment,  $M$ , is applied at a distance  $L$  from the left support. Determine the slope of the beam at the left support.



**Problem 6: (12p) (Only F (FHLF01))**

The finite element formulation for heat conduction ( $div(\mathbf{q}) - Q = 0$ ) takes the form:

$$\left( \underbrace{\int_V \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B} dV}_{\mathbf{K}} + \underbrace{\int_{S_c} \alpha \mathbf{N}^T \mathbf{N} dS}_{\tilde{\mathbf{K}}} \right) \mathbf{a} = \underbrace{\int_{S_c} \mathbf{N}^T \alpha T_\infty dS}_{\mathbf{f}_c} - \underbrace{\int_{S_g} \mathbf{N}^T q_n dS - \int_{S_h} \mathbf{N}^T h dS}_{\mathbf{f}_b} + \underbrace{\int_V \mathbf{N}^T Q dV}_{\mathbf{f}_l}$$

where  $S_c$  is the boundary where convection applies,  $S_h$  is the boundary where the heat flow is prescribed and  $S_g$  is the boundary where the temperature is prescribed.

- Show that the matrix  $\mathbf{K} + \tilde{\mathbf{K}}$  is positive definite for  $\alpha > 0$ . The constitutive matrix  $\mathbf{D}$  is symmetric and positive definite.
- Show that  $\mathbf{1}^T [-\int_S \mathbf{N}^T q_n dS + \int_V \mathbf{N}^T Q dV] = 0$  where  $V$  and  $S$  represents the total volume and surface, respectively. Moreover,  $\mathbf{1}$  is a vector with all entries being equal to one, i.e. the scalar product can be identified as the sum over all components.

**Some hints that might be helpful**

**Hint:** Green-Gauss's theorem states:

$$\int_A \phi \operatorname{div} \mathbf{q} dA = \oint_{\mathcal{L}} \phi \mathbf{q}^T \mathbf{n} d\mathcal{L} - \int_A (\nabla \phi)^T \mathbf{q} dA$$

**Hint:** Some trigonometric relations:

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

$$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \sin(\alpha) \cos(\beta) + \cos(\alpha) \sin(\beta), \quad \cos(\alpha + \beta) = \cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) - \sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta)$$

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

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

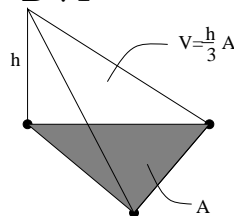
**Hint:** A quadratic matrix is positive semidefinite if

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

**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  $\mathbf{q} = -\mathbf{D} \nabla T$



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

n	$\xi_i$	$H_i$
1	0	2
2	$\pm 1/\sqrt{3}$	1

where integration from  $-1$  to  $1$  is assumed.

**Hint:**

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