

Discretization w.r.t. structural properties

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Reminder on **spatial discretization**

Notion on **port-based modelling**

1D case discretization of port Hamiltonian system

Finite elements method: **Whitney elements**

Objectives

Spatial discretization

Time-invariant continuous problem in D : given μ , find b, h such that

$$(1) \operatorname{rot} h = 0, [n \times h] = 0, \quad (2) b = \mu h, \quad (3) \operatorname{div} b = 0, [n \cdot b] = 0$$

Equivalent formulation

decompose D and consider

$$\Phi^I = \{\varphi = 0 \text{ on } S_0^h \text{ and } \varphi = I \text{ on } S_1^h\}$$

notice $\varphi \in \Phi^I \Rightarrow (1)$ with $h = \operatorname{grad} \varphi$

if furthermore

$$\int_D \mu \operatorname{grad} \varphi \cdot \operatorname{grad} \varphi' = 0, \forall \varphi' \in \Phi^0$$

then $b = \mu \operatorname{grad} \varphi = \mu h$ satisfies (3)

continuous formulation

Ritz-Galerkin method

finite number of elements $\lambda^i \in \Phi$
called **trial functions**

idea: reach the field of least energy
 $\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \varphi_i \lambda^i \in \Phi^I$

define $\Phi_m^I = \operatorname{span} \{\lambda^i\} \cap \Phi^I$

and find $\varphi_m \in \Phi_m^I$ such that

$$\int_D \mu \operatorname{grad} \varphi_m \cdot \operatorname{grad} \varphi' = 0, \forall \varphi' \in \Phi_m^0$$

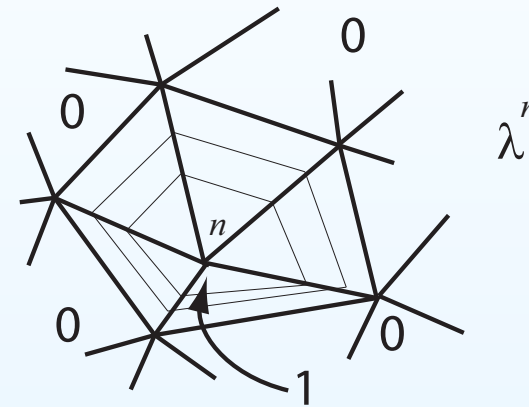
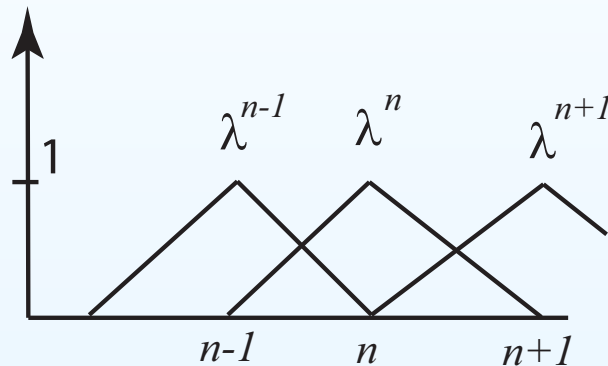
discrete formulation

variational formulation: find $\varphi_m \in \Phi_m^I$ s.t. $F(\varphi_m) \leq F(\psi), \forall \psi \in \Phi_m^I$, with $F(\varphi, \psi) = \int_D \mu \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla \psi$

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- **paving** spatial domain D : tetrahedra, triangles, ...
- **nodal functions**: λ^i defined on the meshing (define a partition of unity $\sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} \lambda^n = 1$)



Consider now the set $\Phi_m = \{\varphi = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} \varphi_n \lambda^n\}$

Computation:

setting $M_{n,m} = \int_D \mu \text{grad} \lambda^n \cdot \text{grad} \lambda^m$ it follows

$$\int_D \mu \nabla \varphi_m \cdot \nabla \varphi'_m = 0 \Leftrightarrow \langle M \varphi_m, \varphi'_m \rangle = 0 \quad \forall \varphi'_m \in \Phi_m^0$$

reduce to a standard **linear system**

Port-based approach

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- based on the **energy** and **port conjugate variables**
- leads to modelling systems according to **effort-flux** variables
- provides **geometric** characterization of **properties** (e.g. energy-conservation, symmetries)

Dynamics of Maxwell's equation $Z \subset \mathbb{R}^3$

energy function $H = \int_Z \mathcal{H}(d, b)$

energy variables: d magnetic induction, b electric induction

co-energy variables: $e = \delta_d H$ electric field, $h = \delta_b H$ magnetic field

Ampère's thm: $\dot{d} = dh$ Faraday's law: $\dot{b} = -de$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -\dot{d} \\ -\dot{b} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -d \\ d & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_d H \\ \delta_b H \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} f_\partial \\ e_\partial \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_d H|_{\partial Z} \\ \delta_b H|_{\partial Z} \end{pmatrix}$$

Stokes-Dirac structure

in particular, **intrinsically** $\dot{H} = \int_{\partial Z} h \wedge e$

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idea: take **two** basis of nodal functions, one basis to approximate **fluxes** and one basis to approximate **efforts**

Example of the transmission line $Z = [0, L] \subset \mathbb{R}$

$$\dot{q}(t, z) = -\partial_z I(t, z), \quad \dot{\phi}(t, z) = -\partial_z V(t, z)$$

$$\text{equivalently } \begin{pmatrix} -\dot{q} \\ -\dot{\phi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & d \\ d & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta_q H \\ \delta_\phi H \end{pmatrix}$$

discretization:

let $0 \leq a < b \leq L$ and denote $Z_{ab} = [a, b]$

approximation of flux: $f(t, z) = f_{ab}(t)w_{ab}(z)$

approximation of effort: $e(t, z) = e_a(t)w_a(z) + e_b(t)w_b(z)$

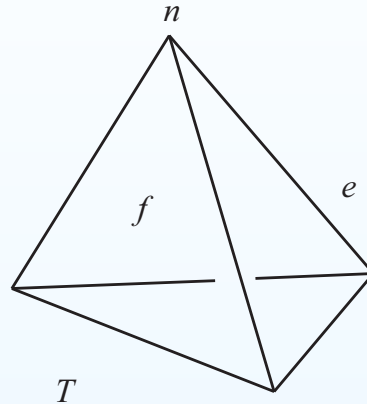
conjugate variables (f_{ab}, e_{ab}) derived from power balance satisfy

$$(f_{ab}, e_{ab}) \in \mathcal{D}_{ab}$$

discrete formulation satisfies the energy balance

Whitney elements

Specific nodal functions on tetrahedra



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satisfying

- w_n takes value 1 at node n (0 elsewhere)
- the circulation of w_e along edge e is 1
- the flux of w_f across face f is 1
- the integral of w_T over a tetrahedra T is 1

ad hoc properties for discretization (approximation, topology, ...)

efficiency for computation

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Combine **port-based modelling** and **mixed Whitney elements** for the 3D discretization and simulation of Maxwell's equation

- definition of **port variables** on T
- define the **interconnection** between elements prolonging properties to the discrete formulation
- simplifications (why not?)
- implementation
- higher order splines: second degree polynomials $\lambda^n \lambda^m$
- **modularity**: reproducible method
- **boundaries**: port variables suitable to represent interaction with environment
- **multidomain**: interconnection structure