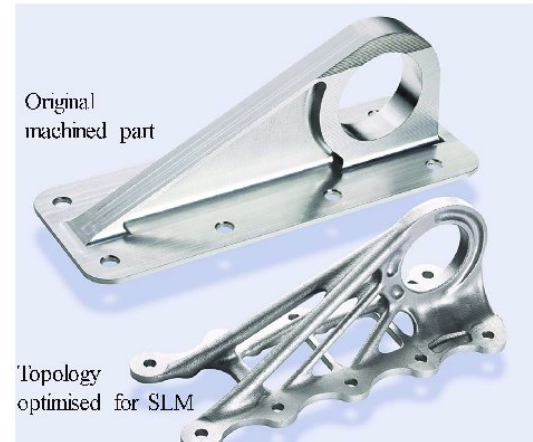
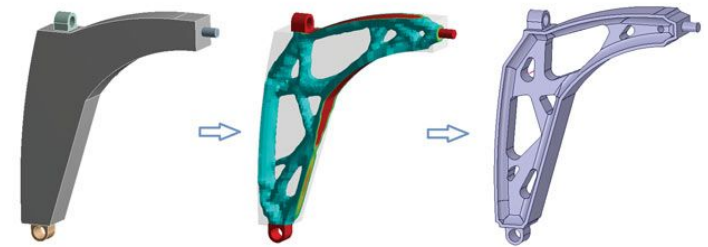




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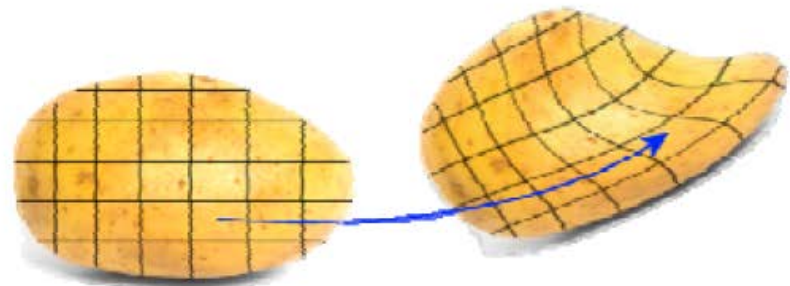
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1. A very brief guide into Continuum Mechanics

It starts with observations...

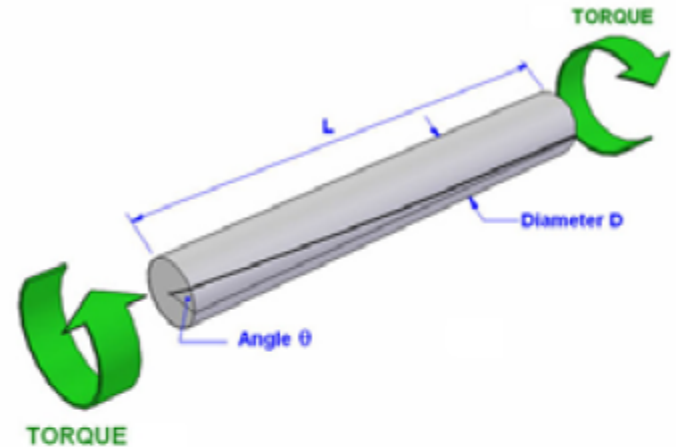
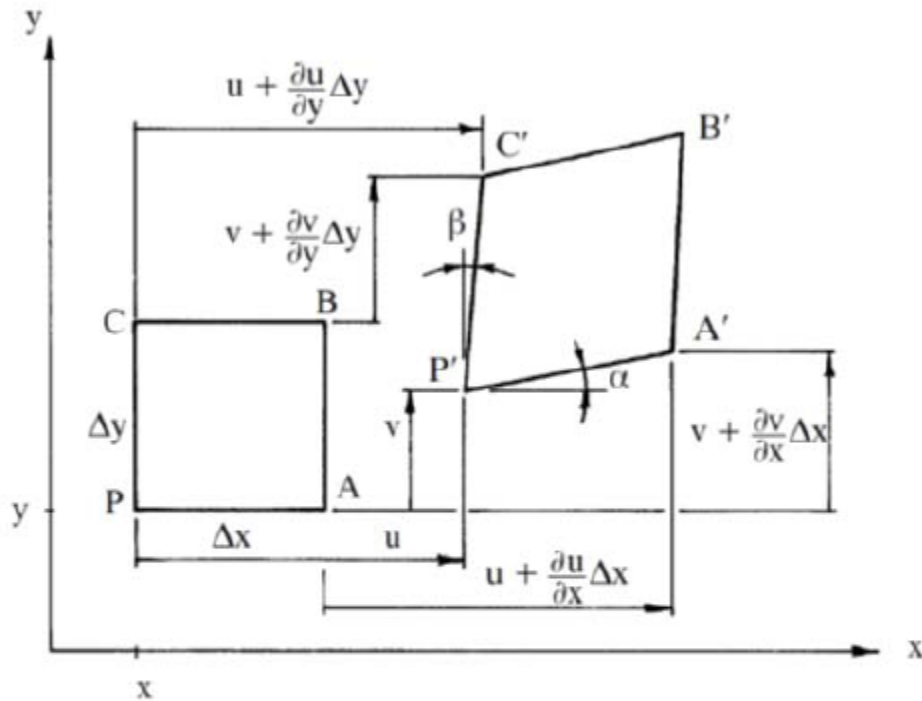


- **Deformations** (displacement)
 - Vector function that maps a material point into its new coordinate, i.e.

$$\mathbf{u} = [u(x, y, z), v(x, y, z), w(x, y, z)]^T$$

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- **Strains** (measurable) - relative deformation



- Def.: $\epsilon := \frac{\Delta L}{L}$ - general:
(Linear!)

$$\epsilon_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \quad \epsilon_{xy} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)$$

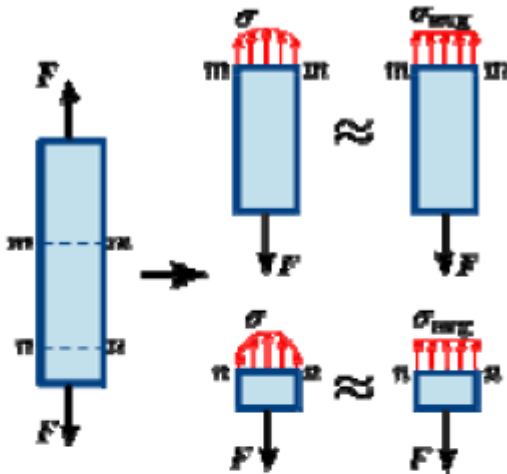
$$\epsilon_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \epsilon_{xz} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\epsilon_z = \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}, \quad \epsilon_{yz} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)$$

(elongations - rotations)

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- **Stresses** (NOT measurable):



Important – the stress depends on the point (position) AND the orientation of cut-surface.

- Def.: $\sigma_{avg} := \frac{F}{A}$ or $\sigma = \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} \frac{F}{A}$

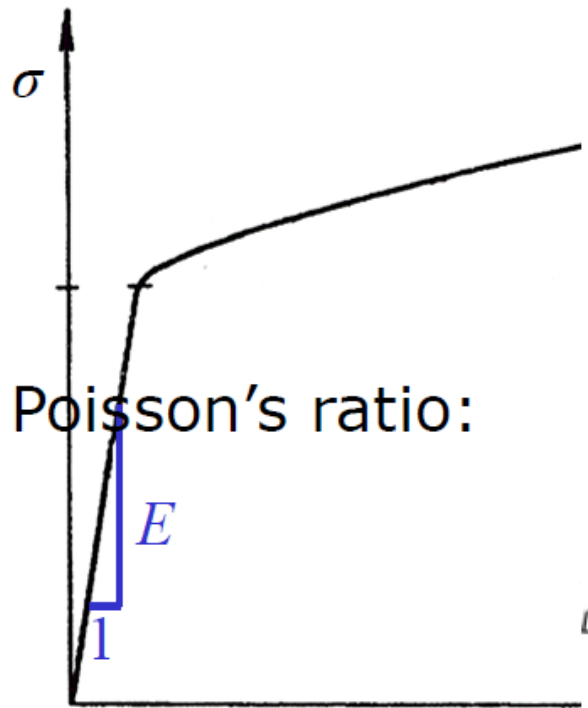
- General stress state:
(similar to strains)

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xz} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_y & \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{xz} & \sigma_{yz} & \sigma_z \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Hooke's law – linear, isotropic materials:
Just two independent material parameters

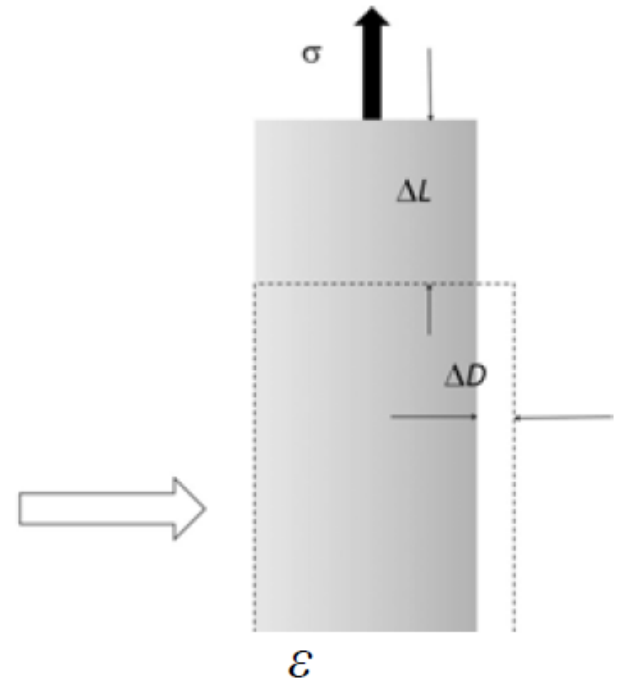
- Stiffness: $\sigma = E\epsilon$ (E in [Pa])



- Poisson's ratio:

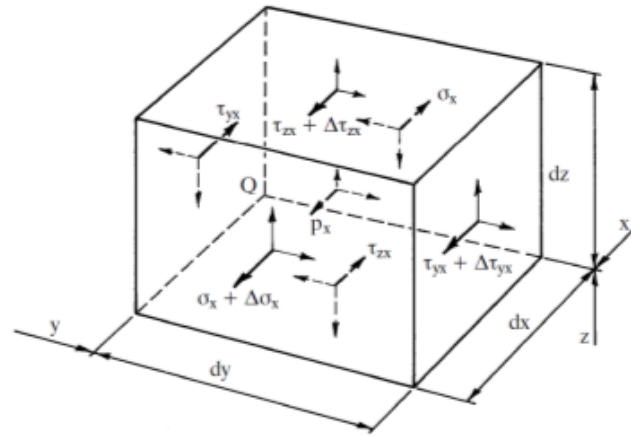
$$\nu = -\frac{\Delta D/D}{\Delta L/L}$$

A diagram of a rectangular block of length L and diameter D . The block is shown in its original state before any deformation.



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Governing equations (using Newton's 2nd law)



The linear system of partial differential equations:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} + p_x = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial z} + p_y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} + p_z = 0$$

or

$$(\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \mu^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{p} = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{E\nu}{(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu)}$$

$$\mu = \frac{E}{2(1 + \nu)}$$

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- Essential since it allows us to interpolate, e.g. stiffness, density, conductivity, ...

$$E(\rho) = E_{\min} + \rho^p(E_{\max} - E_{\min})$$

Different problems need
different interpolations

- Principle of virtual work

$$\int_{\Omega} \delta \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T \mathbf{E}(\rho) \boldsymbol{\epsilon} d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \delta \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{P} d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_T} \delta \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{t} d\Gamma_T = 0$$

- The finite element method (FEM)

$$\mathbf{K}(\rho) \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$$

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- The von Mises stress (or equivalent tensile stress):

$$\sigma_{vM} = \sqrt{3J_2} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\sigma_{vM}^2 = \frac{1}{2} [(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\sigma_y - \sigma_z)^2 + (\sigma_z - \sigma_x)^2 + 6(\sigma_{xy}^2 + \sigma_{xz}^2 + \sigma_{yz}^2)]$$

- The strain energy and compliance:

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \boldsymbol{\epsilon} d\Omega \quad \text{and} \quad C = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{u}$$

- Stiffness vs compliance: $E = \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial \epsilon}$ vs $C = \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \sigma}$

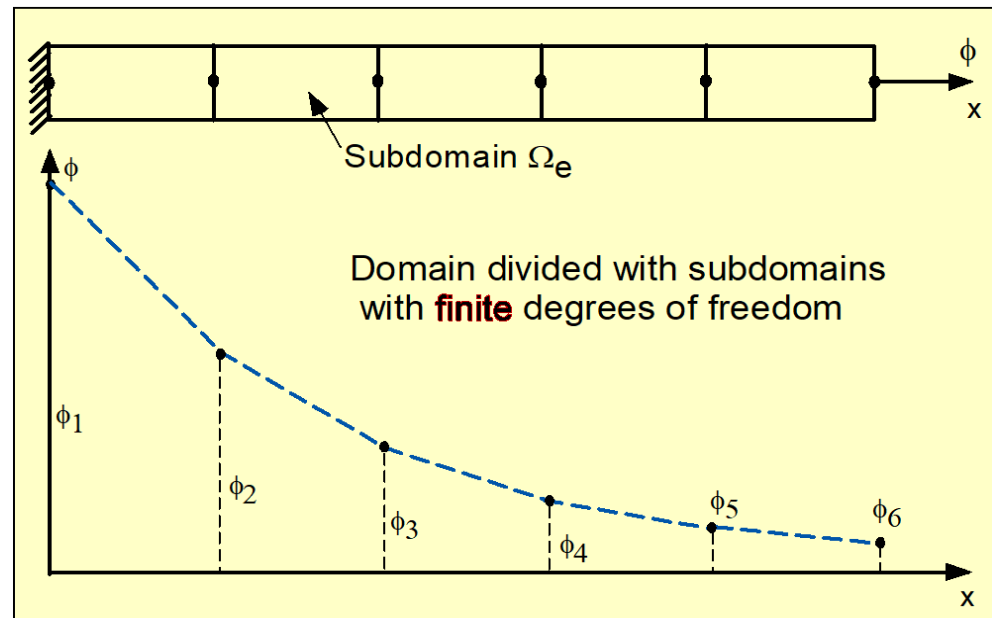
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2. Another brief guide into Finite Element Method

- A continuous function of a continuum (given domain Ω) having infinite degrees of freedom is replaced by a discrete model, approximated by a set of piecewise continuous functions having a finite degree of freedom.

Example:

A bar subjected to some excitations like applied force at one end. Let the field quantity flow through the body, which has been obtained by solving governing DE/PDE, In FEM the domain Ω is subdivided into sub domain and in each sub domain a piecewise continuous function is assumed.



Common Types of Elements

One-Dimensional Elements

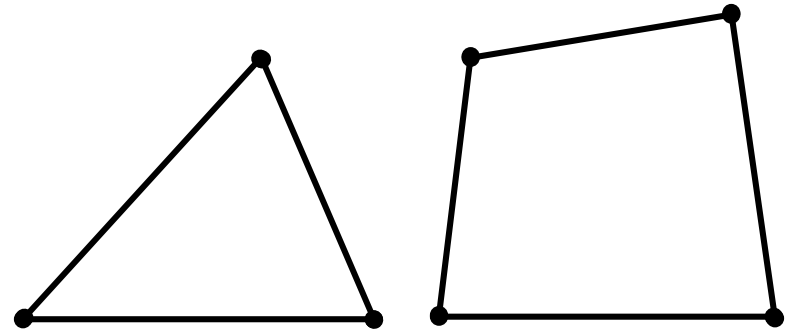
Line

Rods, Beams, Trusses, Frames



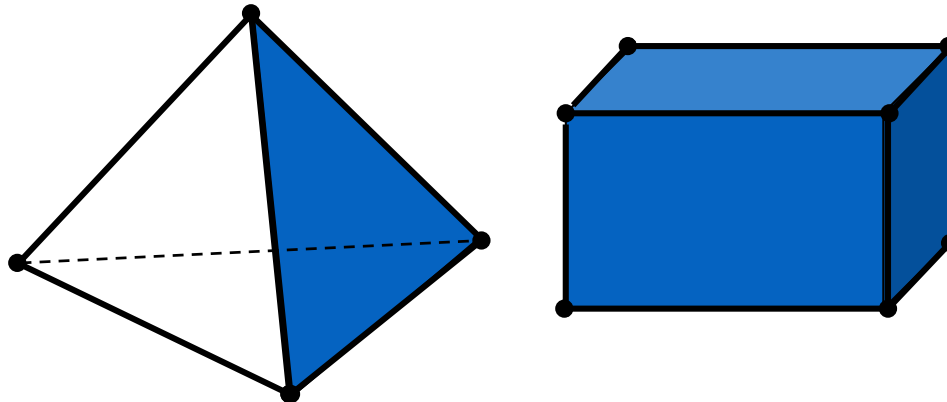
Two-Dimensional Elements

Triangular, Quadrilateral
Plates, Shells, 2-D Continua

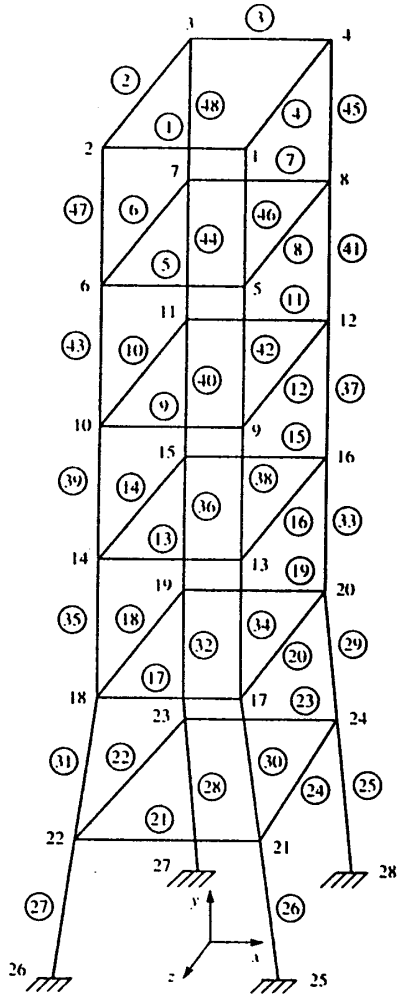


Three-Dimensional Elements

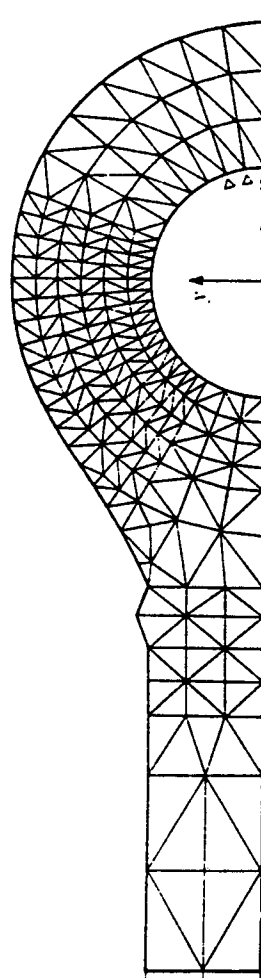
Tetrahedral, Rectangular Prism (Brick)
3-D Continua



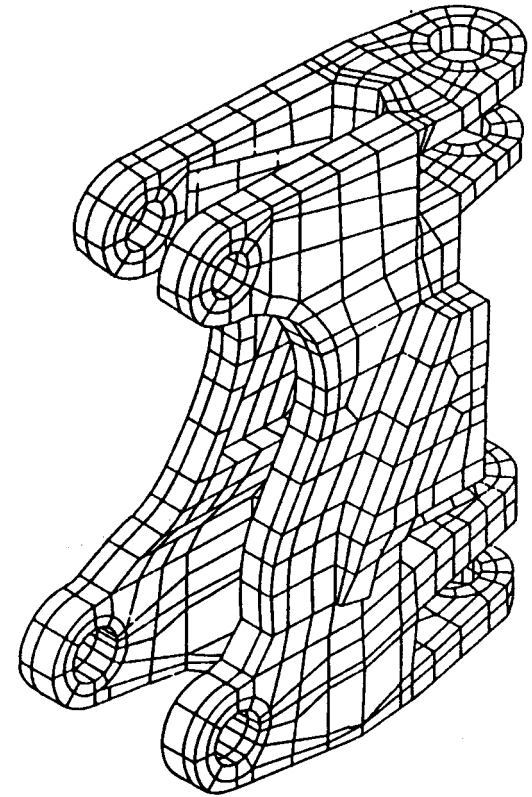
Discretization Examples



**One-Dimensional
Frame Elements**



**Two-Dimensional
Triangular Elements**



**Three-Dimensional
Brick Elements**

Basic Steps in the Finite Element Method

- **Domain Discretization**
- **Select Element Type (Shape and Approximation)**
- **Derive Element Equations (Variational and Energy Methods)**
- **Assemble Element Equations to Form Global System**

$$[K]\{U\} = \{F\}$$

[K] = Stiffness or Property Matrix

{U} = Nodal Displacement Vector

{F} = Nodal Force Vector

- **Incorporate Boundary and Initial Conditions**
- **Solve Assembled System of Equations for Unknown Nodal Displacements and Secondary Unknowns of Stress and Strain Values**

Development of Finite Element Equation

- The Finite Element Equation Must Incorporate the Appropriate Physics of the Problem
- For Problems in Structural Solid Mechanics, the Appropriate Physics Comes from Either Strength of Materials or Theory of Elasticity
- FEM Equations are Commonly Developed Using *Direct*, *Variational-Virtual Work* or *Weighted Residual* Methods

Direct Method

Based on physical reasoning and limited to simple cases, this method is worth studying because it enhances physical understanding of the process

Variational-Virtual Work Method

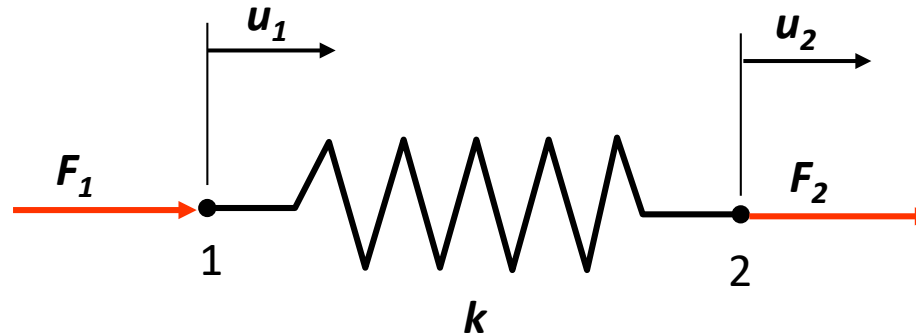
Based on the concept of virtual displacements, leads to relations between internal and external virtual work and to minimization of system potential energy for equilibrium

Weighted Residual Method

Starting with the governing differential equation, special mathematical operations develop the “weak form” that can be incorporated into a FEM equation. This method is particularly suited for problems that have no variational statement. For stress analysis problems, a Ritz-Galerkin WRM will yield a result identical to that found by variational methods.

Simple Element Equation Example

Direct Stiffness Derivation



$$\text{Equilibrium at Node 1} \Rightarrow F_1 = ku_1 - ku_2$$

$$\text{Equilibrium at Node 2} \Rightarrow F_2 = -ku_1 + ku_2$$

or in Matrix Form

$$\begin{bmatrix} k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Stiffness Matrix $[K]$ $\{u\} = \{F\}$ Nodal Force Vector

One-Dimensional Bar Element

Approximation : $u = \sum_k \psi_k(x) u_k = [N]\{d\}$

Strain : $e = \frac{du}{dx} = \sum_k \frac{d}{dx} \psi_k(x) u_k = \frac{d[N]}{dx} \{d\} = [B]\{d\}$

Stress - Strain Law : $\sigma = Ee = E[B]\{d\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} \sigma \delta e dV &= P_i u_i + P_j u_j + \int_{\Omega} f \delta u dV \Rightarrow \\ \{\delta d\}^T \int_0^L A[B]^T E[B] dx \{d\} &= \{\delta d\}^T \begin{Bmatrix} P_i \\ P_j \end{Bmatrix} + \{\delta d\}^T \int_0^L A[N]^T f dx \Rightarrow \\ \int_0^L A[B]^T E[B] dx \{d\} &= \{P\} + \int_0^L A[N]^T f dx \end{aligned}$$



$$[K]\{d\} = \{F\}$$

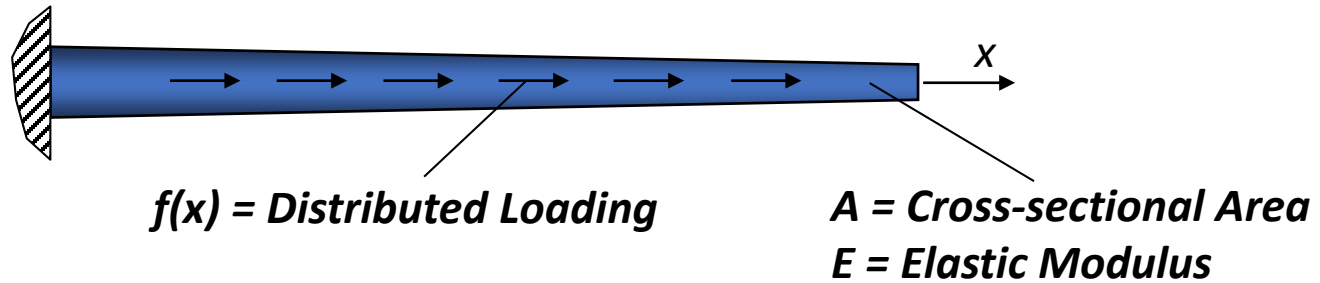
$[K] = \int_0^L A[B]^T E[B] dx = \text{Stiffness Matrix}$

$\{F\} = \begin{Bmatrix} P_i \\ P_j \end{Bmatrix} + \int_0^L A[N]^T f dx = \text{Loading Vector}$

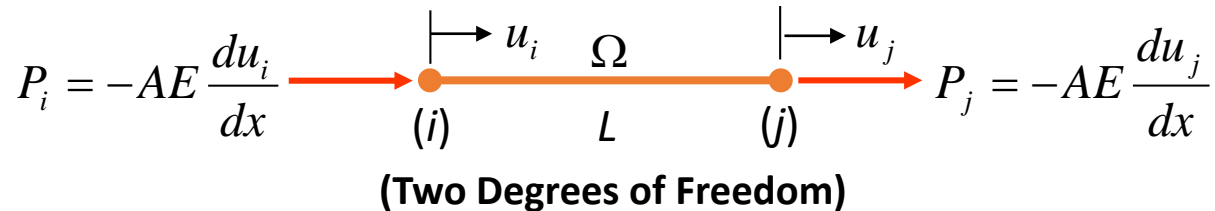
$\{d\} = \begin{Bmatrix} u_i \\ u_j \end{Bmatrix} = \text{Nodal Displacement Vector}$

One-Dimensional Bar Element

Axial Deformation of an Elastic Bar



Typical Bar Element



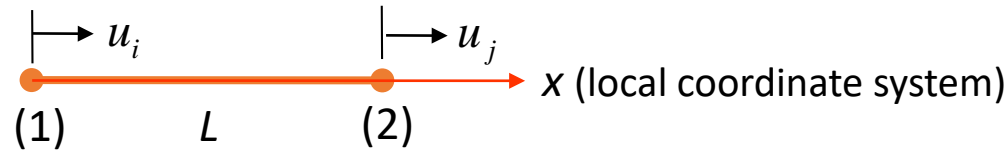
Virtual Strain Energy = Virtual Work Done by Surface and Body Forces

$$\int_V \sigma_{ij} \delta e_{ij} dV = \int_{S_i} T_i^n \delta u_i dS + \int_V F_i \delta u_i dV$$

For One-Dimensional Case

$$\int_{\Omega} \sigma \delta e dV = P_i u_i + P_j u_j + \int_{\Omega} f \delta u dV$$

Linear Approximation Scheme



Approximate Elastic Displacement

$$u = a_1 + a_2 x \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} u_1 &= a_1 \\ u_2 &= a_1 + a_2 L \end{aligned}$$

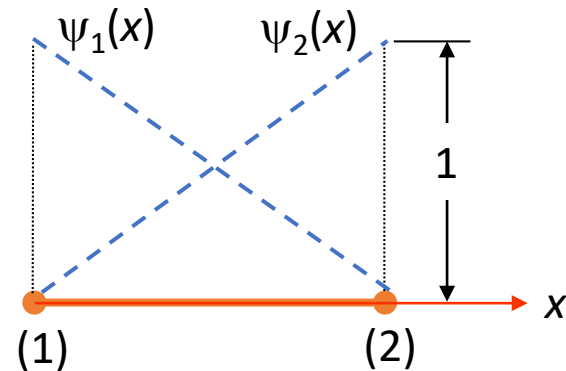
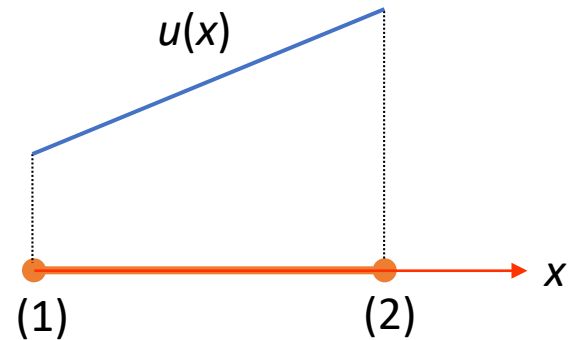
$$\Rightarrow u = u_1 + \frac{u_2 - u_1}{L} x = \left(1 - \frac{x}{L}\right) u_1 + \left(\frac{x}{L}\right) u_2$$

$$= \psi_1(x) u_1 + \psi_2(x) u_2$$

$$u = [\psi_1 \quad \psi_2] \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \frac{x}{L} & \frac{x}{L} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = [N] \{d\}$$

$[N]$ = Approximation Function Matrix

$\{d\}$ = Nodal Displacement Vector



$\psi_k(x)$ – Lagrange Interpolation Functions

Element Equation

Linear Approximation Scheme, Constant Properties

$$[K] = \int_0^L A[\mathbf{B}]^T E[\mathbf{B}] dx = AE[\mathbf{B}]^T [\mathbf{B}] \int_0^L dx = AE \begin{Bmatrix} -\frac{1}{L} \\ \frac{1}{L} \end{Bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} -\frac{1}{L} & \frac{1}{L} \end{Bmatrix} L = \frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

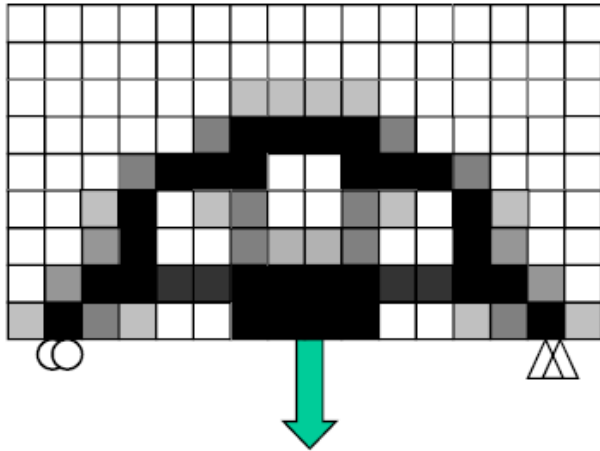
$$\{\mathbf{F}\} = \begin{Bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{Bmatrix} + \int_0^L A[\mathbf{N}]^T f dx = \begin{Bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{Bmatrix} + Af_o \int_0^L \begin{Bmatrix} -\frac{x}{L} \\ \frac{x}{L} \end{Bmatrix} dx = \begin{Bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{Bmatrix} + \frac{Af_o L}{2} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\{\mathbf{d}\} = \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \text{Nodal Displacement Vector}$$

$$[\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{d}\} = \{\mathbf{F}\} \Rightarrow \frac{AE}{L} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \end{Bmatrix} + \frac{Af_o L}{2} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{Bmatrix}$$

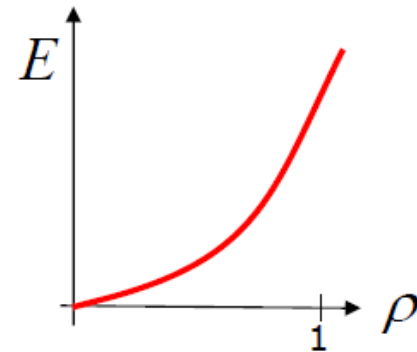
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3. Finite Element for topological optimization: an example



Discretized **SIMP** (Solid Isotropic Microstructure with Penalization for intermediate densities) **method**

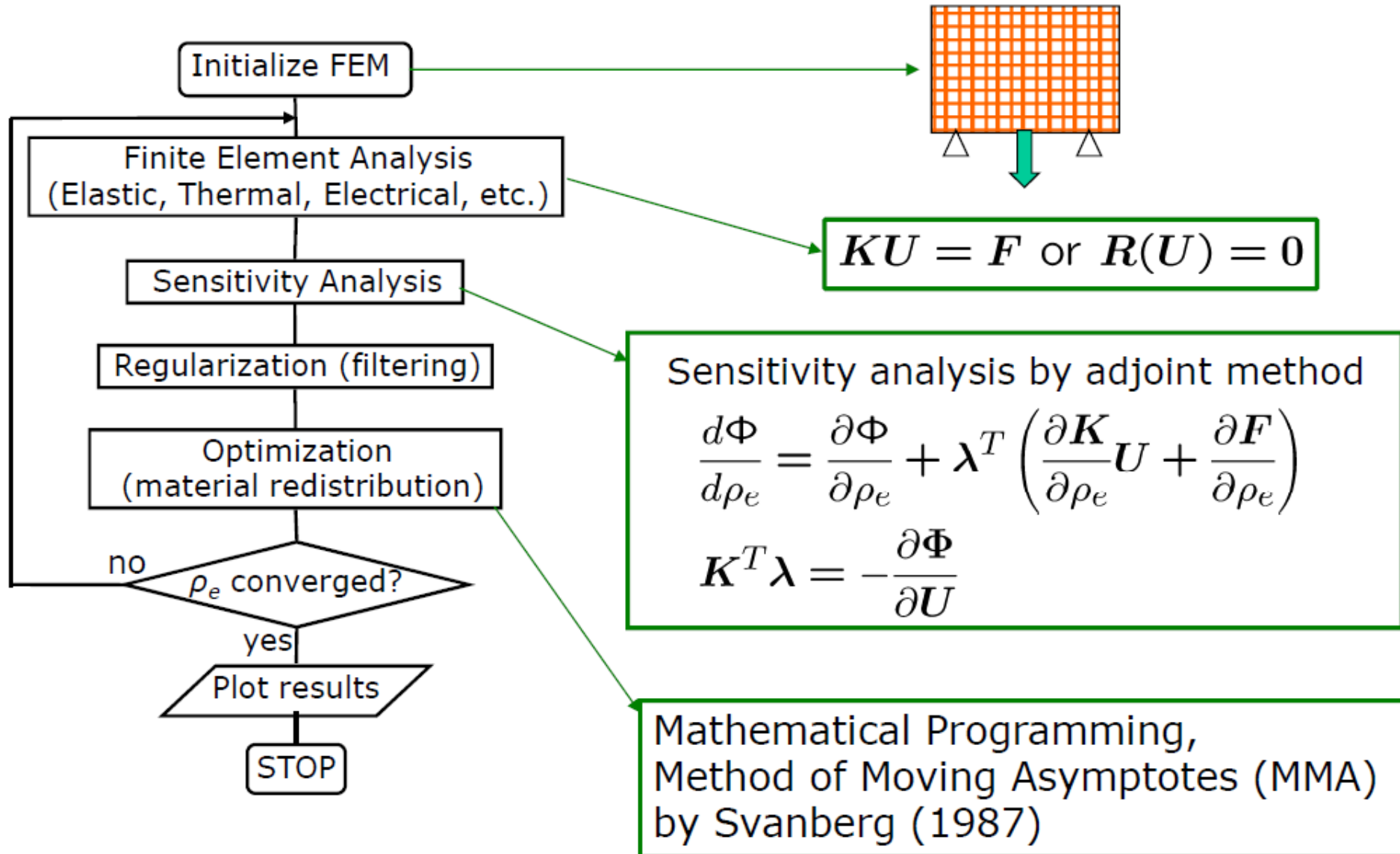
Stiffness interpolation:



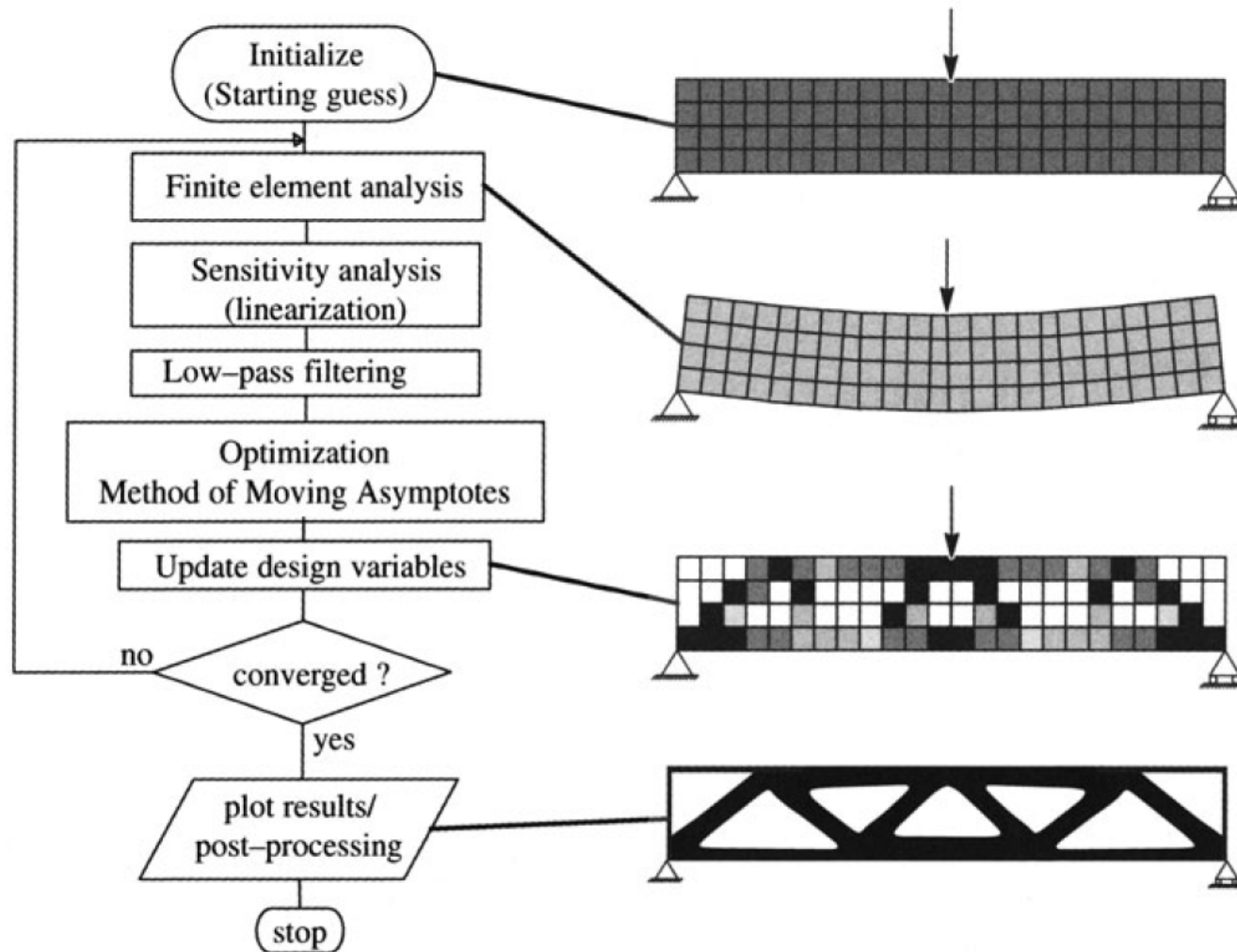
$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\boldsymbol{\rho}} : & \Phi(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \mathbf{U}(\boldsymbol{\rho})) \\ \text{s.t.} : & \sum_{e=1}^N v_e \rho_e = \mathbf{v}^T \boldsymbol{\rho} \leq V^* \\ & : g_i(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \mathbf{U}(\boldsymbol{\rho})) \leq g_i^*, \quad i = 1, \dots, M \\ & : 0 \leq \boldsymbol{\rho} \leq 1 \\ & (: \mathbf{K}(\boldsymbol{\rho}) \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}) \end{aligned}$$

$$E(\rho_e) = E_1 + \rho_e^p (E_2 - E_1)$$
$$p > 1$$

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