Finite Element Methods with WEB-Splines

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Element types for triangulations



History

Splines: Some Historic Steps

- 1947 Curry and Schoenberg (B-Splines)
- de Casteljau, Bézier (Automated Design and Manufacturing) 1959/66
- 1967 Ahlberg, Nilson, and Walsh (first book)
- 197* de Boor, Schumaker (Numerical Analysis, Approximation)
- 1979 Dahmen, Michelli (Multivariate Splines)
- 1980 Oslo algorithm: Cohen, Lyche, and Riesenfeld (Computer Graphics and Image Processing)
- 1980 Böhm (Computer Aided Geometric Design)

BM-splines, D^m -splines, E-splines, $H^{m,p}$ -splines, L-monosplines, L-splines, Lg-splines, M-splines, PDL_{σ} splines, $PL_{-\alpha}$ splines, Q-splines, Λ splines, β -splines, ν -splines, ω -splines, τ -splines, ρLg -splines, A-splines, ARMA splines, B-splines, Bernoulli splines, Box-splines Catmull-Rom splines, Dirichlet splines, Gibbs-Wilbraham splines. Helix splines. Hermite splines. Hermite-Birkhoff splines. Inf-convolution splines. K-splines, LB-splines, Lagrange splines, Legendre splines, NBV-splines, NURBS, ODR splines, Powell-Sabin splines, Schoenberg splines, Tschebyscheff splines, VP-splines, Wilson-Fowler splines, X-splines, box-splines, cardinal splines, discrete splines, elliptic splines, exponential Euler splines, exponential box splines, fundamental splines, g-splines, harmonic splines, histosplines, hyperbolic splines, metaharmonic splines, minimal-energy splines, monosplines, natural splines, perfect splines, polyharmonic splines, pseudo splines, simplex splines, smoothing splines, super splines, thin-plate splines, triangular splines, trigonometric splines, TURBS, v-splines, variation diminishing splines, vertex splines, web-splines,

B-Splines as Finite Elements



homogeneous boundary condition via weight function

$$b_k \longrightarrow w b_k$$

stability via extension

$$b_i \longrightarrow b_i + \sum_{j \in J(i)} e_{i,j} b_j$$

Weight Function

 $w(x) \asymp \operatorname{dist}(x, \partial D)$, smooth on D

• Smoothed distance function: $w(x) = 1 - \max (0, 1 - d(x, \partial D)/\delta)^{\ell}$



• *R*-functions: $r_c(w) = -w$, $r_{\cup/\cap}(w_1, w_2) = w_1 + w_2 \pm \sqrt{w_1^2 + w_2^2}$



- Spline approximation
- Implicit representation of ∂D :

$$w(x) = 1 - x_1^2 - x_2^2$$
 for $D: |x| < 1$

R-Functions in 3D



































Instability of weighted B-Splines

Trial functions $wb_k \Longrightarrow$

- unstable basis
- slow convergence of solvers
- inaccurate results





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• Relevant indices: $K = I \cup J$



Extension

Coupling outer with inner B-splines

$$B_{i} = b_{i} + \sum_{j \in J(i)} e_{i,j} b_{j}, \quad e_{i,j} = \prod_{\nu=1}^{m} \prod_{\substack{\nu=\ell_{\nu} \\ \mu \neq i_{\nu}}}^{\ell_{\nu}+n-1} \frac{j_{\nu}-\mu}{i_{\nu}-\mu}$$



I(j): nearest $(n+1)^m$ -array of inner indices

J(*i*): dual sets $(i \in I(j))$

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Extension Coefficients – Derivation

Marsden's Identity

$$p(x) = \sum_{K} q(k)b_k(x) = \sum_{I} q(i)b_i(x) + \sum_{J} q(j)b_j(x)$$

Lagrange interpolation

$$q(j) = \sum_{i \in I(j)} q(i) \underbrace{L_i^j(\xi)}_{e_{i,j}}$$

Complementary sets $i \in I(j) \Leftrightarrow j \in J(i)$

$$\sum_{l} q(i)b_{i}(x) + \sum_{J} q(j)b_{j}(x) = \sum_{l} q(i) \left\{ b_{i} + \sum_{j \in J(i)} e_{i,j}b_{j}(x) \right\}$$

Weighted extended B-Splines

$$B_i = \frac{w}{w(x_i)} \left(b_i + \sum_{j \in J(i)} e_{i,j} b_j \right), \qquad i \in I$$



- piecewise polynomial, coordinate degree n
- local support, width $\asymp h$
- uniformly stable

Approximation with WEB-Splines

• Weighted dual functions

$$\langle \Lambda_{\ell}, B_i \rangle = \delta_{\ell,i}, \qquad \Lambda_{\ell} = \frac{w(x_{\ell})}{w} \lambda_{\ell}$$

Stability

$$\|C\| \asymp h^{-m/2} \Big\| \sum_{i \in I} c_i B_i \Big\|_0$$

Optimal order

$$\|u-u_h\|_{\ell} \leq h^{n+1-\ell} \|u\|_{n+1}, \quad u=0 \text{ on } \partial D,$$

with

$$u_h = \sum_i \langle \Lambda_i, u \rangle B_i$$
.

Boundary Regularity

Factoring the error

$$u-u_h=w\Big(\underbrace{\frac{u}{w}}_{v}-\sum c_kb_k\Big)$$

Regularity of quotients

$$\|v\|_{2,D_{\delta}} \leq \delta^{-1} (\|u\|_{2,D} + \|v\|_{2,D})$$
$$\|v\|_{1,D} \leq \|u\|_{2,D}$$



Test case

$$u(x) = x^{3/2+\varepsilon}, w(x) = x, v(x) = x^{1/2+\varepsilon}, x \in [0, 1]$$

 $\rightarrow u \text{ just in } H^2, v \text{ just in } H^1$

Linear Elasticity (Crank Arm)

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -\operatorname{div} \sigma(u) &=& f & \quad \text{in } D, \\ u &=& 0 & \quad \text{on } \Gamma_F, \\ \sigma(u)n &=& g & \quad \text{on } \Gamma_L \end{array}$$

Weak formulation: $\forall v \in (H^1_{\Gamma_{\mathcal{E}}}(D))^3$

$$\int_D \sigma(u) : \varepsilon(v) = \int_D f \cdot v + \int_{\Gamma_L} g \cdot v$$

Rate of residual norm $\|\operatorname{div} \sigma(u) - f\|_0$





$$h_i = 1.4 \cdot 2^{-i}, i \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$$

$$n \in \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$w(x) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4$$



Water Waves



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first eigenfunction

second eigenfunction

eigenfunction

30th eigenfunction

Eigenvalue and eigenfunction errors

$$\left|\lambda_{\ell}^{h}-\lambda_{\ell}\right|,\left\|u_{\ell}^{h}-u_{\ell}\right\|_{0}\leq h^{2n}\lambda_{\ell}^{2}$$

Deformation of Thin Shells

Weak formulation of Koiters model

$$\forall \mathbf{v} \in \left(H_0^1(D)\right)^2 \times H_0^2(D): \quad \int_D E^{ijkl}\left(\gamma_{ij}(u)\gamma_{kl}(\mathbf{v}) + \frac{e^2}{12}\varrho_{ij}(u)\varrho_{kl}(\mathbf{v})\right) = \int_D f \mathbf{v}$$

with

Strain tensor (corresponds to membrane forces) $\gamma_{\rm eff}(\mu) = \frac{1}{2} (\mu_{\rm eff} + \mu_{\rm eff}) = h_{\rm eff} \mu_{\rm eff}$

$$\rho_{ij}(u) = u_{3|ij} - b_i^k b_{kj} u_3 + b_{i|j}^k u_k + b_i^k u_{k|j} + b_j^k u_{k|i}$$



Linear Box-Splines



$$\Xi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_{\Xi}(x) = \int_{0}^{1} \chi_{[0,1]^3} (x - t(1,1,1)) dt$$

Lagrange basis $b_k^h(x) = B_{\Xi} (x/h - k) , \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}^3$

Finite Element Basis



domain $D \approx D^h$: $w^h(x) > 0$

weighted B-splines $w^h b^h_k, \quad k_\nu \in \mathbb{Z}$

Numerical Integration

Ritz-Galerkin integrals

$$\int_{S\cap D^{h}} a\left(w^{h}b_{k}^{h}, w^{h}b_{k'}^{h}\right) = I\left(w_{S}^{h}, k, k'\right)$$

intersection patterns



Poisson bilinear form

I: rational function of w_S^h or t_S^h

(automatically generated, 6 * 16 * 10 cases)

Expressions for Ritz-Galerkin Integrals

no intersection, full box (6 tetrahedra), common factor 1/120:

$$24 w_8^2 - 8 w_1 w_3 + 48 w_1^2 + 8 w_5^2 + 24 w_1 w_8 + 8 w_1 w_6$$

$$-4 w_5 w_6 - 8 w_1 w_5 - 4 w_8 w_6 - 4 w_3 w_4 + 12 w_6^2 - 4 w_5 w_7$$

$$+8 w_1 w_7 + 8 w_3^2 - 4 w_4 w_8 + 12 w_4^2 - 4 w_6 w_2 + 8 w_1 w_4$$

$$+12 w_7^2 + 8 w_2^2 - 8 w_2 w_1 - 4 w_3 w_7 - 4 w_2 w_4 - 4 w_7 w_8$$

intersection pattern 1, one tetrahedron, common factor $w_1^2/60$:

$$2 \frac{t_1 t_3^3}{t_2} + 5 t_3 t_2 + 10 t_3^2 + 20 \frac{t_1 t_3}{t_2} + 10 t_1^2 - 2 t_1^3 - 5 \frac{t_1 t_2^2}{t_3} - 5 \frac{t_1^2 t_2}{t_3} - 20 t_1 - t_3 t_2^2 \\ - 2 t_1^2 t_3 + 2 \frac{t_1^2 t_3^2}{t_2} - 10 \frac{t_3 t_2^2}{t_1} - t_1 t_2^2 + 20 \frac{t_3 t_2}{t_1} + \frac{t_1 t_2^3}{t_3} + \frac{t_1^3 t_2}{t_3} + 5 t_1 t_2 + 10 \frac{t_1 t_2}{t_3} \\ + \frac{t_1^2 t_2^2}{t_3} - t_1^2 t_2 + t_1 t_3 t_2 + 2 \frac{t_3^2 t_2^2}{t_1} - 2 t_3^3 + 2 \frac{t_1^3 t_3}{t_2} + 10 t_1 t_3 - 10 \frac{t_1 t_3^2}{t_2} \\ - 10 \frac{t_1^2 t_3}{t_2} - 20 t_3 - 2 t_1 t_3^2 - t_3^2 t_2 + 2 \frac{t_3^3 t_2}{t_1} + 2 \frac{t_3 t_2^3}{t_1} - 10 \frac{t_3^2 t_2}{t_1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Implementation with Linear Elements



- Athlon 64 X2 4600+, 2.4 GHz (one CPU)
- 3,048,625 unknowns, relative residuum 3.1E-08
- $\bullet~5$ grids, 17.1 fine grid iterations, 3 SSOR smoothing steps, $\omega=1.2$

Implementation on Vector Processors Program Performance

Implementation with Linear Elements (vectorized)



- NEC SX 8, 2.0 GHz (one CPU, vector length 256)
- 3,048,625 unknowns, relative residuum 3.8E-08
- 5 grids, 22.343 fine grid iterations, 10 Jacobi smoothing steps, $\omega=0.88$
- Ratio for Solving: 1:7, Ratio for System: 1:2

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Program Demo

- Domains: unit disc with holes or random domain
- Programming language: FORTRAN 90
- MATLAB interface for visualization

disc, f constant	2 holes	4 holes
disc, f exponential function	2 holes	4 holes
random domain	f constant	f exponential function

Current Projects

- Fluid flow problems (U. Reif, B. Mößner)
- MIND: multiple integration over NURBS domains (J. Hörner)
- Parallelization (J. Hörner)
- Shells (M. Boßle)
- Singularities (C. Apprich)
- CSG-Models (s. Kreitz)
- Adaptive approximation (M. Mustahsan)

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Advantages of the WEB-Method

- No grid generation
- Natural integration in CAD/CAM-systems based on tensor product B-splines
- Simple implementation and short computing times
- Approximations of arbitrary order of accuracy by appropriate choice of the degree of the basis functions
- Low dimensional approximation spaces
- Exact fulfillment of boundary conditions
- Well suited for multigrid methods and hierarchical refinement
- Natural parallelization of algorithms