

Introduction to FEM

In the last lecture we started the introduction to FEM  
 We were discussing on Rayleigh-Ritz method.

The functional

$$I[y] = \int_a^b G(x, y, y') dx$$

such that this functional should be extremum value.

Your ODE is  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + Qy = F$  with fixed boundaries  
 $x = a, y = y_a$   
 $x = b, y = y_b$

In the functional to be extremum

$$\delta I = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \int_a^b \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \delta y' \right) dx = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \int_a^b \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \delta \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right) dx = 0$$

$$\text{or } \int_a^b \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \frac{d}{dx} (\delta y) \right) dx = 0$$

Integrating by parts:

$$\delta I = \int_a^b \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} \delta y \right) dx + \left. \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \delta y \right|_a^b - \int_a^b \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right) \delta y dx$$

$$\text{You know } \delta y(x=a) = 0 \\ \delta y(x=b) = 0$$

$$\therefore \delta I = 0 = \int_a^b \left[ \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right) \right] \delta y dx \quad \bullet$$

$$\text{For any } \delta y, \quad \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$$

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This is Euler eqn. of calculus of variation.

$\therefore G(x, y, y')$  has to be found in such a way that

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial y} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right) \quad \text{gives the original ODE.}$$

let us see the case below

$$G = (y')^2 - \phi y^2 + 2Fy$$

$$I[y] = \int_a^b [(y')^2 - \phi y^2 + 2Fy] dx$$

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial y} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial G}{\partial y'} \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{\partial}{\partial y} [(y')^2 - \phi y^2 + 2Fy] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial y'} \{ (y')^2 - \phi y^2 + 2Fy \} \right]$$

$$\text{i.e. } -2\phi y + 2F = \frac{d}{dx} (2y')$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \phi y = F \quad \Rightarrow \text{The reqd. ODE.}$$

In approximate methods what we are doing is that the exact solution  $y(x)$  is approximated by  $\tilde{y}(x)$ .

$$* \quad \tilde{y}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^I c_i y_i(x)$$

$$* \quad \text{Determine } I[\tilde{y}(x)]$$

$$* \quad \text{Determ } \frac{\partial I}{\partial c_i} = 0$$

$$* \quad \text{Obtain } c_i.$$

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e.g. For  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \Phi y = F$  ;  $y(x_1) = y(0.0) = 0.0$   
 $y(x_2) = y(1.0) = Y$

$$\text{Then } I[\tilde{y}] = \int_0^1 [(y')^2 - \Phi \tilde{y}^2 + 2F\tilde{y}] dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{y}(x) &= C_1 y_1(x) + C_2 y_2(x) + C_3 y_3(x) \\ &= C_1 x + C_2 x(x-1) + C_3 x^2(x-1) \end{aligned}$$

So at  $x=0$ ,  $y=0.0$ , we have.  
and  $x=1.0$ ,  $y=Y$

$$C_1 = Y.$$

$$\therefore \tilde{y}(x) = Yx + ~~C_2~~ + C_2 x(x-1) + C_3 x^2(x-1)$$

Obtain  $I[\tilde{y}]$ .

$$\text{From that get } \frac{\partial I}{\partial C_2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial C_3} = 0$$

Solve for  $C_2$  &  $C_3$ .

### Collocation Method

You need to evaluate residuals here.

The actual solution  $y(x)$  of  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \Phi y = F$

is approximated by  $\tilde{y}(x) = C_1 y_1(x) + C_2 y_2(x) + \dots + C_I y_I(x)$

→ Define  $R(x) = \frac{d^2\tilde{y}}{dx^2} + \Phi \tilde{y} - F$

This is actually  $R(x, C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots, C_I)$

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In  $I$  different values of  $x$ , we can set

$$R(x, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_I) = 0 \quad \text{to get } I \text{ equations.}$$

→ Solve the system of residual equations for getting coefficient  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_I$ .

i.e. See the steps as follows:

$$\text{In } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \phi y = F \quad ; \quad \begin{aligned} y(0.0) &= 0 \\ y(1.0) &= Y \end{aligned}$$

We ~~have~~ use this

$$\tilde{y}(x) = c_1 y_1(x) + c_2 y_2(x) + c_3 y_3(x)$$

$$\text{Now } \tilde{y}(x) = Yx + c_2 x(x-1) + c_3 x^2(x-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow R(x) = \frac{d^2 \tilde{y}}{dx^2} + \phi \tilde{y} - F$$

$$= 2c_2 + c_3(6x-2) + \phi Yx + \phi c_2 x(x-1) + \phi c_3 x^2(x-1) - F$$

We have  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  as unknown.

Within the range from  $x=0$  to  $x=1$

substitute any  $x$  to obtain correspondingly  $R(x) = 0.0$

$$\text{At } (x = 1/3) \Rightarrow R(1/3) = 0$$

$$(x = 2/3) \Rightarrow R(2/3) = 0$$

From these two equations get  $c_2$  &  $c_3$ .

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## Galerkin Weighted Residual Method

- \* This is also a residual method.
- \* Galerkin weighting residual method — obtained by integrating the residual over the domain of interest.

$$\int W_j(x) R(x) dx = 0$$

The steps are:

- The differential equation say  $\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \phi y = F$
- $\tilde{y}(x) = C_1 y_1(x) + C_2 y_2(x) + \dots + C_I y_I(x)$
- $R(x) = \frac{d^2 \tilde{y}}{dx^2} + \phi \tilde{y} - F$
- Choose weighting functions  $W_j(x)$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- Set the integral of weighted residuals as zero.

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} W_j(x) R(x) dx = 0 \quad ;$$

Depending on the number of coeffs  $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots$ , we require that many number of weighting function  $W_j(x)$ .

Quiz

Find the finite-difference equation for the PDE

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial t^2} = \beta \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$$

Find the criteria parameter in the FDE.