

# FINITE ELEMENT : TECHNOLOGY

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# Gauss integration

$r$ -point Gauss integration on a  $[-1:+1]$  segment:

$$\int_{-1}^{+1} f(\xi) d\xi \approx \sum_1^r w_i f(\xi_i)$$

gives exact result for a  $(2r - 1)$  order polynomial

Evaluation at *sampling points*  $\xi_i$ , combined with *weighing coefficients*

$w_i$

Example, order 2:

$$f(\xi) = 1 : \quad 2 = w_1 + w_2$$

$$f(\xi) = \xi : \quad 0 = w_1 \xi_1 + w_2 \xi_2$$

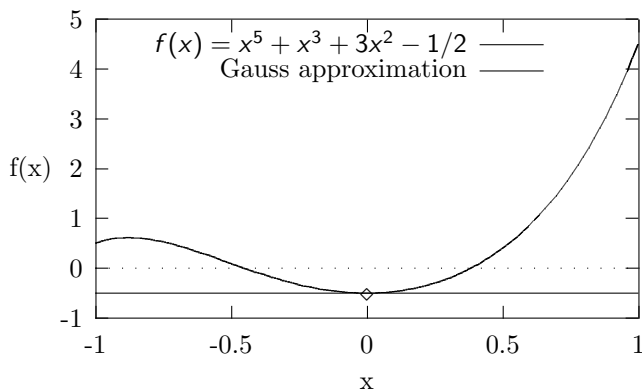
$$f(\xi) = \xi^2 : \quad 2/3 = w_1 \xi_1^2 + w_2 \xi_2^2$$

$$f(\xi) = \xi^3 : \quad 0 = w_1 \xi_1^3 + w_2 \xi_2^3$$

then  $w_1 = w_2 = 1$ , and  $\xi_1 = -\xi_2 = 1/\sqrt{3}$

# Onedimensional Gauss integration

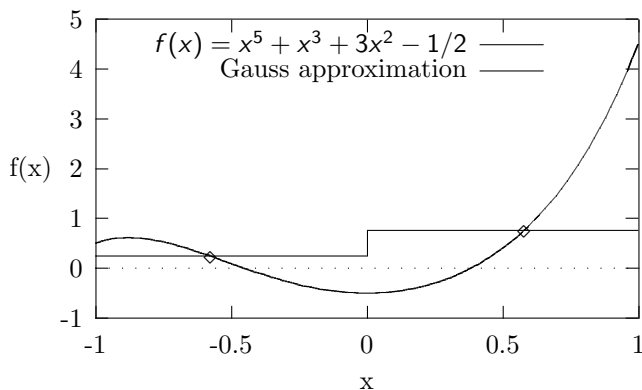
*One integration point*



$$\int_{-1}^1 f(\xi) d\xi \approx 2 f(0)$$

# Onedimensional Gauss integration

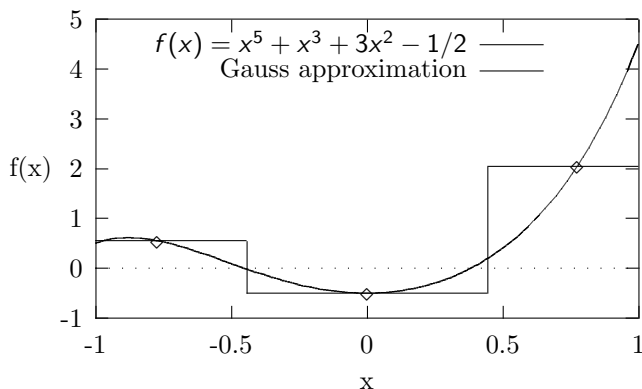
*Two integration points*



$$\int_{-1}^1 f(\xi) d\xi \approx 1 \times f(-1/\sqrt{3}) + 1 \times f(1/\sqrt{3})$$

# One-dimensional Gauss integration

*Three integration points*



$$\int_{-1}^1 f(\xi) d\xi = \frac{5}{9} f(-\sqrt{3/5}) + \frac{8}{9} f(0) + \frac{5}{9} f(\sqrt{3/5})$$

## Gauss integration in a N-dimensional space

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 f(\xi, \eta, \zeta) d\xi d\eta d\zeta = \int_{-1}^1 d\xi \int_{-1}^1 d\eta \int_{-1}^1 f(\xi, \eta, \zeta) d\zeta$$

Respectively  $r_1, r_2, r_3$  Gauss points in each direction, so that:

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 f(\xi, \eta, \zeta) d\xi d\eta d\zeta = \sum_{i=1}^{r_1} \sum_{j=1}^{r_2} \sum_{k=1}^{r_3} w_i w_j w_k f(\xi_i, \eta_j, \zeta_k)$$

- Usually,  $r_1 = r_2 = r_3$
- Special integration rules for triangles



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**4-node quadrilateral**

Quality of the integration

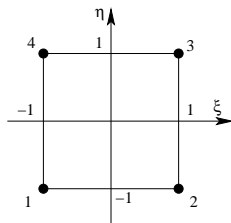
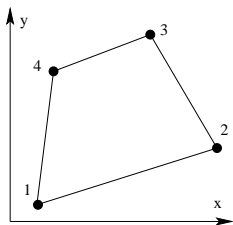
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## 4-node quadrilateral (1)



- Bilinear interpolation of the geometry and of the unknown function

$$x = N_1x_1 + N_2x_2 + N_3x_3 + N_4x_4$$

$$y = N_1y_1 + N_2y_2 + N_3y_3 + N_4y_4$$

$$u_x = N_1q_{x1} + N_2q_{x2} + N_3q_{x3} + N_4q_{x4}$$

$$u_y = N_1q_{y1} + N_2q_{y2} + N_3q_{y3} + N_4q_{y4}$$

- Shape functions

$$N_1(\xi, \eta) = (1 - \xi)(1 - \eta)/4$$

$$N_2(\xi, \eta) = (1 + \xi)(1 - \eta)/4$$

$$N_3(\xi, \eta) = (1 + \xi)(1 + \eta)/4$$

$$N_4(\xi, \eta) = (1 - \xi)(1 + \eta)/4$$

- Jacobian matrix

$$[J] = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - x_4 + \eta(x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4) & -y_1 + y_2 + y_3 - y_4 + \eta(y_1 - y_2 + y_3 - y_4) \\ -x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + \xi(x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4) & -y_1 - y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + \xi(y_1 - y_2 + y_3 - y_4) \end{pmatrix}$$

## 4-node quadrilateral (2)

- Determinant of the Jacobian matrix: *terms in  $\xi$  and  $\eta$*

$$\begin{aligned}8J &= (y_4 - y_2)(x_3 - x_1) - (y_3 - y_1)(x_4 - x_2) \\ &+ ((y_3 - y_4)(x_2 - x_1) - (y_2 - y_1)(x_3 - x_4))\xi \\ &+ ((y_4 - y_1)(x_3 - x_2) - (y_3 - y_2)(x_4 - x_1))\eta\end{aligned}$$

- Inverse of the jacobian matrix: *homographic function in  $\xi$  and  $\eta$*

$$[J]^{-1} = \frac{1}{J} \begin{pmatrix} -y_1 - y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + \xi(y_1 - y_2 + y_3 - y_4) & -x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + \xi(x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4) \\ +y_1 - y_2 - y_3 + y_4 - \eta(y_1 - y_2 + y_3 - y_4) & +x_1 - x_2 - x_3 + x_4 - \eta(x_1 - x_2 + x_3 - x_4) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Derivative of the shape functions:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial N_1 / \partial x \\ \partial N_1 / \partial y \end{pmatrix} = [J]^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \partial N_1 / \partial \xi \\ \partial N_1 / \partial \eta \end{pmatrix} = [J]^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -(1 - \eta)/4 \\ -(1 - \xi)/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Terms in

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial N_1 / \partial x \\ \partial N_1 / \partial y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{J} \begin{pmatrix} (1, \xi) & (1, \xi) \\ (1, \eta) & (1, \eta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -(1 - \eta)/4 \\ -(1 - \xi)/4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{(1, \xi, \eta, \xi\eta, \xi^2)}{(1, \xi, \eta)} \\ \frac{(1, \xi, \eta, \xi\eta, \eta^2)}{(1, \xi, \eta)} \end{pmatrix}$$

## 4-node quadrilateral (3)

- The jacobian is an homographic function for a generic quad.

- $[K]$  is obtained by Gauss integration,  $[K] = \int_{\Omega} [B]^T [D][B] d\Omega$

$$[K] = \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 [B]^T [D][B] J d\xi d\eta = \sum_{i=1}^P \sum_{j=1}^P w_i w_j J((\xi_i, \eta_j)) [B]^T(\xi_i, \eta_j) [D][B](\xi_i, \eta_j)$$

- The stiffness matrix includes terms like  $\frac{(1, \xi, \eta, \xi\eta, \xi^2, \dots, \eta^4, \xi^4, \xi^2\eta^2)}{(1, \xi, \eta)}$

- *For a generic quad, the integration of  $[K]$  is never exact*

- The internal forces are computed as:

$$[F_{int}] = \int_{\Omega} [B]^T [\sigma] d\Omega = \sum_{i=1}^P \sum_{j=1}^P w_i w_j J((\xi_i, \eta_j)) [B]^T(\xi_i, \eta_j) [\sigma(\xi_i, \eta_j)]$$

- The determinant at the denominator of  $[B]$  vanishes with the determinant due to elementary volume

- The internal forces ( $\sigma$  constant) include terms like  $(1, \xi, \eta, \xi\eta, \xi^2, \dots, \eta^2, \xi^2, \xi^2\eta, \xi\eta^2)$

- *Internal forces are integrated with a  $2 \times 2$  rule*

## 4-node quadrilateral (4)

- If the "real world" quad is a parallelogram, the relation  $(x, y) - \xi, \eta$  are linear and not bilinear, so that the partial derivatives  $\partial x / \partial \xi$ , etc. . . are constant. The jacobian is also constant.
- The following terms are present in the interpolation functions and their derivatives:

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} [N] & 1 & \xi & \eta & \xi\eta \\ [\partial N / \partial \xi] & 0 & 1 & 0 & \eta \\ [\partial N / \partial \eta] & 0 & 0 & 1 & \xi \end{array}$$

- $[K]$  is obtained by Gauss integration, using a constant  $J$ .
  - The product  $[B]^T(\xi_i, \eta_i)[D][B](\xi_j, \eta_j)$ , and also the stiffness matrix, include terms like  $\xi^i \eta^j$  with  $i + j \leq 2$
  - $[K]$  is exactly integrated with a  $2 \times 2$  rule
- The internal forces present only linear terms  $\times \sigma$
- *Only one Gauss point is needed for constant stress state, and  $2 \times 2$  for linear stresses*

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# Number of Gauss points for an exact integration (1)

The following terms are present in the interpolation functions and their derivatives:

- For generic geometries, the computation of  $[B]$  involves derivatives of the shape functions and partial derivative of the coordinate of the physical space wrt the reference coordinates:

$$\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x}$$

- A typical space derivative term is .....  $\frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{J} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta}$
- A typical term of  $[B]$  is then .....  $\frac{1}{J} \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta}$
- A typical term of  $[K]$  is then .....  $\frac{1}{J} \left( \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} \right)^2$
- A typical term of  $[F_{int}]$  is then .....  $\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi} \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta}$

## Number of Gauss points for an exact integration (2)

- For linear geometries, and constant jacobian matrix (introducing the constant  $a$ ):

$$\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial x} = a \frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi}$$

- A typical term of  $[B]$  is then .....  $\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi}$
- A typical term of  $[K]$  is then .....  $\left(\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi}\right)^2$
- A typical term of  $[F_{int}]$  is then .....  $\frac{\partial N_i}{\partial \xi}$



# Rectangular C2D8 element

## Uniform jacobian

The following terms are present in the interpolation functions and their derivatives:

$$\begin{array}{l} [N] \\ [\partial N/\partial \xi] \\ [\partial N/\partial \eta] \end{array} \begin{array}{cccccccc} 1 & \xi & \eta & \xi^2 & \xi\eta & \eta^2 & \xi^2\eta & \xi\eta^2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2\xi & \eta & 0 & 2\xi\eta & \eta^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \xi & 2\eta & \xi^2 & 2\xi\eta \end{array}$$

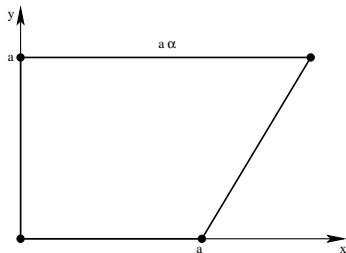
The product  $[B]^T[D][B]$  includes terms like  $\xi^i\eta^j$  with  $i+j \leq 4$

- $3 \times 3$  points for a *full* integration (too much, exact until 5)
- $2 \times 2$  points are for *reduced* integration

# Number of Gauss points needed

Element	Geometry	Loading	$[K]$	$[F_{int}]$
C2D4	Linear	Constant	4	1
C2D4	Bilinear	Constant	NO	1
C2D4	Linear	Linear	4	4
C2D4	Bilinear	Linear	NO	4
C2D8	Linear	Constant	4	4
C2D8	Bilinear	Constant	NO	4
C2D8	Bilinear	Linear	NO	4
C2D8	Generic	Constant	NO	4
C3D8	Linear	Constant	8	1
C3D8	Trilinear	Constant	NO	8
C3D20	Linear	Constant	27	8
C3D20	Trilinear	Constant	NO	8
C3D20	Trilinear	Linear	NO	27
C3D20	Generic	Constant	NO	27

# Precision of the Gauss integration method



$$\text{Compute } I = \int_{-1}^{+1} \int_{-1}^{+1} \frac{1}{J} d\xi d\eta$$

Using a mapping on a square  $[0..1]$ :

$$x = (1 + (\alpha - 1)\eta)a\xi$$

$$y = a\eta$$

$$[J] = \begin{pmatrix} a(1 + (\alpha - 1)\eta) & a(\alpha - 1)\xi \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{a^2} \int_0^1 \frac{d\eta}{1 + (\alpha - 1)\eta}$$

Order	$\alpha = 2$	$\alpha = 5$	$\alpha = 10$
1	0.66666	0.33333	0.18182
2	0.69231	0.39130	0.23404
3	0.69312	0.40067	0.24962
exact	0.69315	0.40236	0.25584

Analytic expression:

$$I = \frac{\log \alpha}{a^2(\alpha - 1)}$$

# Global algorithm

For each loading increment, do while  $\|\{R\}_{iter}\| > EPSI$ :

$iter = 0$ ;  $iter < ITERMAX$ ;  $iter ++$

- 1 Update displacements:  $\Delta\{u\}_{iter+1} = \Delta\{u\}_{iter} + \delta\{u\}_{iter}$
- 2 Compute  $\Delta\{\varepsilon\} = [B].\Delta\{u\}_{iter+1}$  then  $\Delta\xi$  for each Gauss point
- 3 Integrate the constitutive equation:  $\Delta\xi \rightarrow \Delta\sigma, \Delta\alpha_I, \frac{\Delta\sigma}{\Delta\xi}$
- 4 Compute int and ext forces:  $\{F_{int}(\{u\}_t + \Delta\{u\}_{iter+1})\}, \{F_e\}$
- 5 Compute the residual force:  $\{R\}_{iter+1} = \{F_{int}\} - \{F_e\}$
- 6 New displacement increment:  $\delta\{u\}_{iter+1} = -[K]^{-1}.\{R\}_{iter+1}$

# Convergence

- Value of the residual forces  $< R_\epsilon$ , e.g.

$$\|\{R\}\|_n = \left( \sum_i R_i^n \right)^{1/n} ; \quad \|\{R\}\|_\infty = \max_i |R_i|$$

- Relative values:

$$\frac{\|\{R\}_i - \{R\}_e\|}{\|\{R\}_e\|} < \epsilon$$

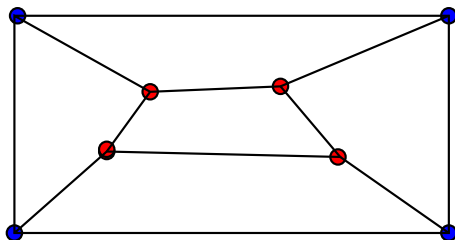
- Displacements

$$\|\{U\}_{k+1} - \{U\}_k\|_n < U_\epsilon$$

- Energy

$$[\{U\}_{k+1} - \{U\}_k]^T \cdot \{R\}_k < W_\epsilon$$

# The concept of *patch* (engineering version)



- Apply a given displacement field on the external (blue) nodes
- Check the results in the internal (red) nodes
- For instance, uniform strain; or shear, or bending
- Check with a bending displacement field:  $u_x = xy$  and  $u_y = -0.5(x^2 + \nu y^2)$ , assuming bilinear geometry (with  $\xi\eta$  term)
  - The resulting displacement for  $u_y$  should have terms like  $(a + b\xi + c\eta + d\xi\eta)^2$ . A nine node quad will pass, but not an eight-node quad (missing  $\xi^2\eta^2$  term in the polynomial base).
  - The eight-node pass, provided the edges are straight
  - This demonstrates also the limitations of high order elements. For them, a complex shape (terms in  $\xi^3\eta$ ,  $\xi\eta^3$  for a cubic interpolation introduces terms like  $\xi^6\eta^2$ , etc. . . for a correct patch test simulation. They are not in the polynomial basis...

# Rigid body mode (1)

## *Example of a 2D plane element*

Zero strain:

$$u_{1,1} = 0 \quad ; \quad u_{2,2} = 0 \quad ; \quad u_{1,2} + u_{2,1} = 0$$

Possible displacement field:

$$u_1 = A - Cx_2 \quad ; \quad u_2 = B + Cx_1$$

3 rigid body modes:

2 translations  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$  ; 1 rotation  $\begin{pmatrix} -x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}$

## Rigid body mode (2)

*Example of a 2D axisymmetric element*

Zero strain:

$$\varepsilon_r = u_{r,r} = 0 \quad ; \quad \varepsilon_\theta = \frac{u_r}{r} = 0 \quad ; \quad u_{z,z} = 0$$

Possible displacement field:

$$u_z = A$$

Only 1 rigid body modes: 1 translation  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$



# Rank sufficiency/deficiency

*No zero-energy mode other than rigid body modes*

- $r$  is the rank of the elementary stiffness matrix (number of evaluations)
- Check  $r$  with respect to  $n_F - n_R$  ( $n_F$  is the number of element DOF,  $n_R$  is the number of rigid body modes)
- Rank sufficient element iff  $r \geq n_F - n_R$
- Rank deficiency,  $d$  in the case  $d = n_F - n_R - r \geq 0$
- Each Gauss point adds  $n_E$  to the rank of the matrix ( $n_E$  is the order of the stress-strain matrix,  $n_G$  the number of Gauss points),  
 $r = n_E n_G$

RULE:  $n_E n_G \geq n_F - n_R$

# Rank-sufficient Gauss integration

Element	$n$	$n_F$	$n_F - n_R$	Min $n_g$	rule
3-node triangle	3	6	3	1	1-pt
6-node triangle	6	12	9	3	3-pt
4-node quadrilateral	4	8	5	2	2x2
8-node quadrilateral	8	16	13	5	3x3
9-node quadrilateral	9	18	15	5	3x3
8-node hexahedron	8	24	18	3	2x2x2
20-node hexahedron	20	60	54	9	3x3x3

# Stiffness matrix of a rectangular element

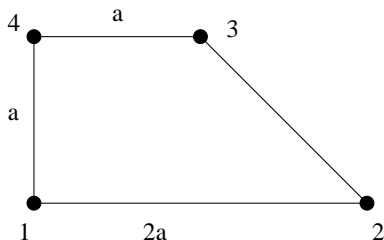
rectangle  $[\pm a, \pm a/2]$ ;  $E=96$ ;  $\nu=1/3$

$$[K] = \begin{pmatrix} 42 & 18 & -6 & 0 & -21 & -18 & -15 & 0 \\ 18 & 78 & 0 & 30 & -18 & -39 & 0 & -69 \\ -6 & 0 & 42 & -18 & -15 & 0 & -21 & 18 \\ 0 & 30 & -18 & 78 & 0 & -69 & 18 & -39 \\ -21 & -18 & -15 & 0 & 42 & 18 & -6 & 0 \\ -18 & -39 & 0 & -69 & 18 & 78 & 0 & 30 \\ -15 & 0 & -21 & 18 & -6 & 0 & 42 & -18 \\ 0 & -69 & 18 & -39 & 0 & 30 & -18 & 78 \end{pmatrix}$$

Eigenvalues =  $\{ 223.4 \ 90 \ 78 \ 46.36 \ 42 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \}$   
(three rigid body modes)

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# Stiffness matrix of a trapezoidal element



$$E=4206384; \nu=1/3$$

Rule	Eigenvalues obtained with different Gauss rules (scaled by $10^{-6}$ )							
1x1	8.77276	3.68059	2.26900	0	0	0	0	0
2x2	8.90944	4.09769	3.18565	2.64523	1.54678	0	0	0
3x3	8.91237	4.11571	3.19925	2.66438	1.56155	0	0	0
4x4	8.91246	4.11627	3.19966	2.66496	1.56199	0	0	0

Three rigid body modes, *but a rank deficiency by TWO is too few Gauss points are used*

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# Analysis of the locking phenomenon

*For bad reasons, the element becomes too stiff*

- Shear locking
- Volumetric locking
- Trapezoidal locking
- Locking in fields

# Alias functions

Function which tries to mimic a given function in one element

Basis for a C2D3:  $(1, \xi, \eta)$ , for a C2D4:  $(1, \xi, \eta, \xi\eta)$ ,  
for a C2D8:  $(1, \xi, \eta, \xi^2, \xi\eta, \eta^2, \xi^2\eta, \xi\eta^2)$ .

Alias for various functions:

Function	$\xi^2$	$\xi\eta$	$\eta^2$	$\xi^3$	$\xi^2\eta$	$\xi\eta^2$	$\eta^3$
C2D3	$\xi$	0	$\eta$	$\xi$	0	0	$\eta$
C2D4	1	OK	1	$\xi$	$\eta$	$\xi$	$\eta$
C2D8	OK	OK	OK	$\xi$	OK	OK	$\eta$

# Shear locking

C2D4,  $-L \leq x_1 \leq L$ ,  $-1 \leq x_2 \leq 1$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Actual field} \\ u_1 = x_1 x_2 \\ u_2 = -x_1^2/2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Aliased field} \\ u_1 = x_1 x_2 \\ u_2 = -L^2/2 !! \end{array}$$

Computed shear for the alias,  $\varepsilon_{12} = x/2$  !! (actual solution: 0)

Computed stored elastic energy  $W_e$  for the real field and  $W_a$  for the alias:

$$\frac{W_a}{W_o} = 1 + \frac{1-\nu}{2} L^2$$

*Solve the problem by computing shear on the middle of the element*

## Shear locking (2)

Analytic solution

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_{11} = u_{1,1} &= x_2 & \sigma_{11} &= Ex_2/(1 - \nu^2) \\ \varepsilon_{22} = u_{2,2} &= 0 & \sigma_{22} &= \nu Ex_2/(1 - \nu^2) \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} = u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} &= 0 & \sigma_{12} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Solution with the *alias*

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_{11} = u_{1,1} &= x_2 & \sigma_{11} &= Ex_2/(1 - \nu^2) \\ \varepsilon_{22} = u_{2,2} &= 0 & \sigma_{22} &= \nu Ex_2/(1 - \nu^2) \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} = u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} &= x_1 & \sigma_{12} &= (1/2)Ex_1/(1 + \nu)\end{aligned}$$

$$W_o = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \underline{\underline{\sigma}} : \underline{\underline{\varepsilon}} d\Omega$$



# Dilatational locking

C2D4,  $-L \leq x_1 \leq L$ ,  $-1 \leq x_2 \leq 1$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Actual field} \\ \text{Aliased field} \end{array} \begin{array}{l} u_1 = x_1 x_2 \\ u_2 = -\frac{x_1^2}{2} - \frac{\nu}{2(1-\nu)} x_2^2 \\ u_1 = x_1 x_2 \\ u_2 = -\frac{L^2}{2} - \frac{\nu}{2(1-\nu)} !! \end{array}$$

The computed stored elastic energy  $W_a$  for the alias tends to infinity if  $\nu$  tends to 0.5

$$W_a = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)} \left( \frac{1-\nu}{1-2\nu} x_2^2 + \frac{x_1^2}{2} \right) \quad \text{instead of:} \quad W_e = \frac{E}{2(1-\nu^2)} x_2^2$$

*Solve the problem by adding a non conform. displacement  $(x_1^2 - L^2, x_2^2 - 1)$*

## Dilatational locking (2)

### Analytic solution

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_{11} &= u_{1,1} = x_2 & \sigma_{11} &= Ex_2/(1 - \nu^2) \\ \varepsilon_{22} &= u_{2,2} = -\nu x_2/(1 - \nu) & \sigma_{22} &= 0 \\ \varepsilon_{33} &= u_{3,3} = 0 & \sigma_{33} &= \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} &= u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} = 0 & \sigma_{12} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

### Solution with the *alias*

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_{11} &= u_{1,1} = x_2 & \sigma_{11} &= E(1 - \nu)x_2/(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu) \\ \varepsilon_{22} &= u_{2,2} = 0 & \sigma_{22} &= \nu Ex_2/(1 + \nu)(1 - 2\nu) \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} &= u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} = x_1 & \sigma_{12} &= (1/2)Ex_1/(1 + \nu)\end{aligned}$$

$$W_o = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \tilde{\sigma} : \tilde{\varepsilon} d\Omega$$

# Locking of the 8-node rectangle

*Consider a rectangle of length  $2\Lambda$  and width 2 (with  $\Lambda > 1$ )*

- Displacement basis:  $1, \xi, \eta, \xi^2, \xi\eta, \eta^2, \xi^2\eta, \xi\eta^2$
- Try  $u_1 = x_1^2 x_2, u_2 = -x_1^3/3$ , so that  $\varepsilon_{11} = 2x_1 x_2, \varepsilon_{22} = 0, \varepsilon_{12} = 0$ .
- In fact,  $u_2$  represented by its alias,  $-x_1 \Lambda^2/3$ , so that the shear is  $x_1^2 - \Lambda^2/3$
- *No locking* if the shear is evaluated at the second order Gauss point ( $x_1 = \pm 1/\sqrt{3}$ )
- Underintegration is a good remedy to locking

## Locking of the 8-node rectangle (2)

Analytic solution

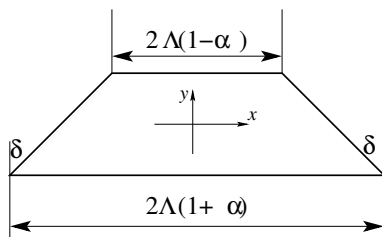
$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_{11} &= u_{1,1} = 2x_1x_2 & \sigma_{11} &= 2Ex_1x_2 \\ \varepsilon_{22} &= u_{2,2} = 0 & \sigma_{22} &= 0 \\ \varepsilon_{33} &= u_{3,3} = 0 & \sigma_{33} &= \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} &= u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} = 0 & \sigma_{12} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Solution with the *alias* ( $u_1 = x_1^2x_2$  and  $u_2 = -x_1\Lambda^2/3$ )

$$\begin{aligned}\varepsilon_{11} &= u_{1,1} = 2x_1x_2 & \sigma_{11} &= 2Ex_1x_2 \\ \varepsilon_{22} &= u_{2,2} = 0 & \sigma_{22} &= 0 \\ \varepsilon_{33} &= u_{3,3} = 0 & \sigma_{33} &= 0 \\ 2\varepsilon_{12} &= u_{2,1} + u_{1,2} = x_1^2 - \Lambda^2/3 & \sigma_{12} &= (1/2)(x_1^2 - \Lambda^2/3)/(1 + \nu)\end{aligned}$$

$$W_o = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \underline{\sigma} : \underline{\varepsilon} d\Omega$$

# Trapezoidal locking



- Geometry:  $x_1 = \Lambda\xi(1 - \alpha\eta)$ , and  $x_2 = \eta$ ;  $\xi = x_1/(1 - \alpha x_2)\Lambda$ .
- Displacement basis:  $1, \xi, \eta, \xi^2, \xi\eta, \eta^2, \xi^2\eta, \xi\eta^2$
- Try  $u_1 = x_1^2 x_2$ ,  $u_2 = -x_1^2/2$ , so that  $\varepsilon_{11} = x_2$ ,  $\varepsilon_{22} = 0$ ,  $\varepsilon_{12} = 0$ .
- In fact, the solution with the alias is:

$$\varepsilon_{11} = \frac{\eta - \alpha}{1 - \alpha\eta} \quad \varepsilon_{22} = \alpha\Lambda^2 \quad 2\varepsilon_{12} = \Lambda\xi \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha(\eta - \alpha)}{1 - \alpha\eta} \right)$$

- *All components are affected*
- Error on shear component suppressed if the evaluation is made at  $\xi = 0$  only.
- Error on  $\varepsilon_{22}$  cannot be easily suppressed

# Dilatational locking on triangles

## triangle C2D3

- Incompressible,  $BL \rightarrow TR$  mesh.....



- Incompressible,  $TL \rightarrow BR$  mesh.....



- Compressible,  $BL \rightarrow TR$  mesh.....



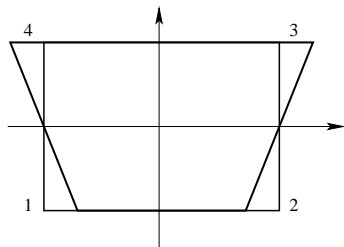
# Spurious modes of a C2D4

Find a displacement field which does not produce any strain on the Gauss points

$$u_2^1 = u_2^2 = u_2^3 = u_2^4 = 0$$

$$u_1^1 = +a \quad ; \quad u_1^2 = -a$$

$$u_1^3 = +a \quad ; \quad u_1^4 = -a$$



C2D4 — C2D4r — C2D8 — C2D8r

# Spurious modes

- An element has "internal degrees of freedom" which allow deformation process to occur in the element
- Rigid body mode  $\{\Phi_o\}$  such as:  $[K] \{\Phi_o\} = 0$  everywhere
- Spurious mode  $\{\Phi_o\}$  such as:  $[K] \{\Phi_o\} = 0$  in some places
- The number of independent states is given by the total number of dof in the element
- Number of independent states - Rigid body mode - Number of evaluation of the strain components = Number of spurious modes
- For an element of degree  $p$ , the number of strain evaluations is:  
 $3p^2$  (reduced integration, 2D);  $3(p+1)^2$  (full integration, 2D);  $6p^2$  (reduced integration, 3D);  $6p^2$  (reduced integration, 3D).
- The number of strain states is:  
 $8p^3$  (Serendip, 2D);  $2(p+1)^2$  (Lagrange, 2D);  $36p - 6$  (Serendip, 3D);  $3(p+1)^3 - 6$  Lagrange, 3D).



# Spurious modes

Polynomial degree $p$	Serendip 2D	Lagrange 2D	Serendip 3D	Lagrange 3D
1	2	2	12	12
2	1	3	6	27

For the 8-node underintegrated element, the following is a spurious mode:

$$u_1 = k_1 \xi (\eta^2 - 1/3)$$

$$u_2 = -k_2 \eta (\xi^2 - 1/3)$$