

Introduction to Simulation - Lecture 22

Integral Equation Methods

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Outline

Integral Equation Methods

- Exterior versus interior problems

- Start with using point sources

Standard Solution Methods in 2-D

- Galerkin Method

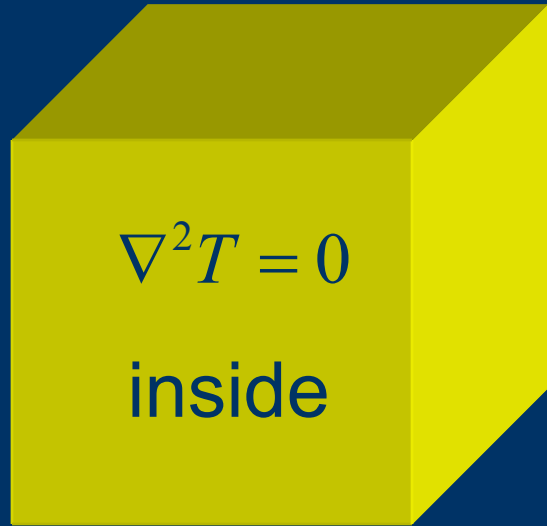
- Collocation Method

Issues in 3-D

- Panel Integration

Interior Versus Exterior Problems

Interior

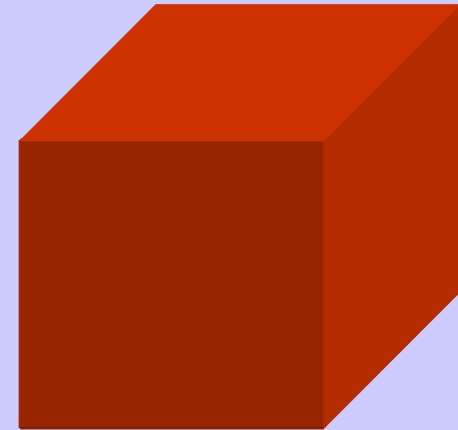


Temperature
known on surface

“Temperature in a Tank”

Exterior

$\nabla^2 T = 0$
outside



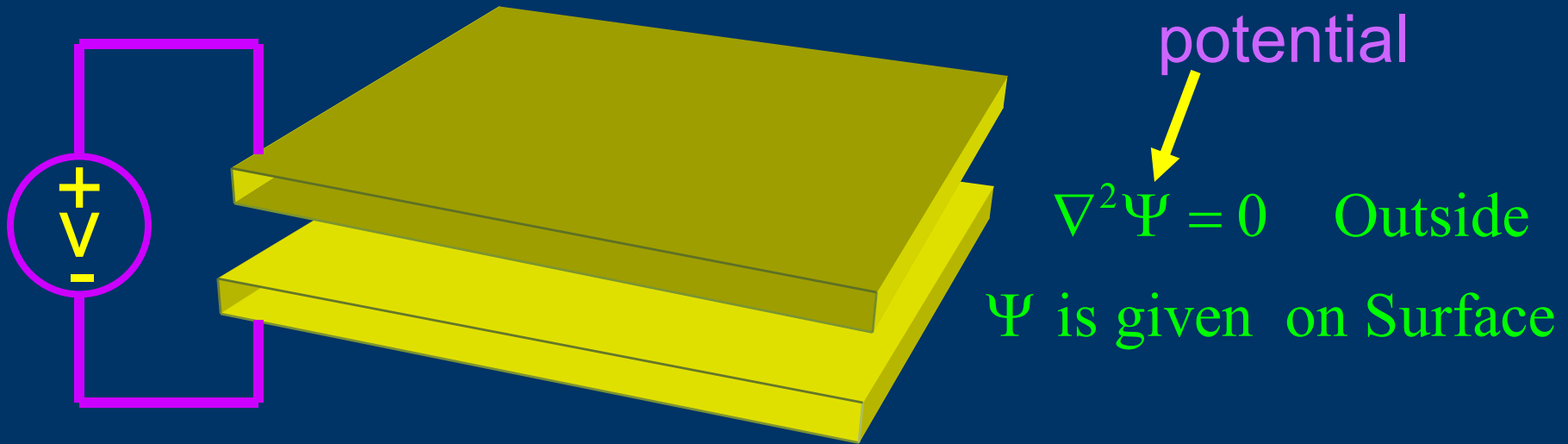
Temperature
known on surface

“Ice Cube in a Bath”

What is the heat flow?

$$\text{Heat Flow} = \text{Thermal conductivity} \int_{\text{surface}} \frac{\partial T}{\partial n}$$

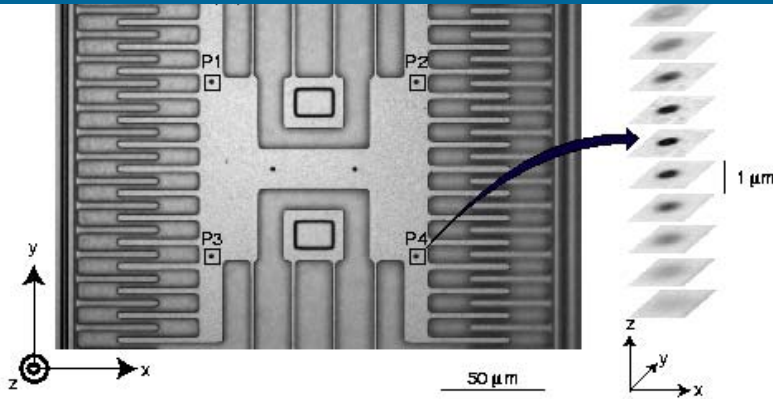
Exterior Problem in Electrostatics



What is the capacitance?

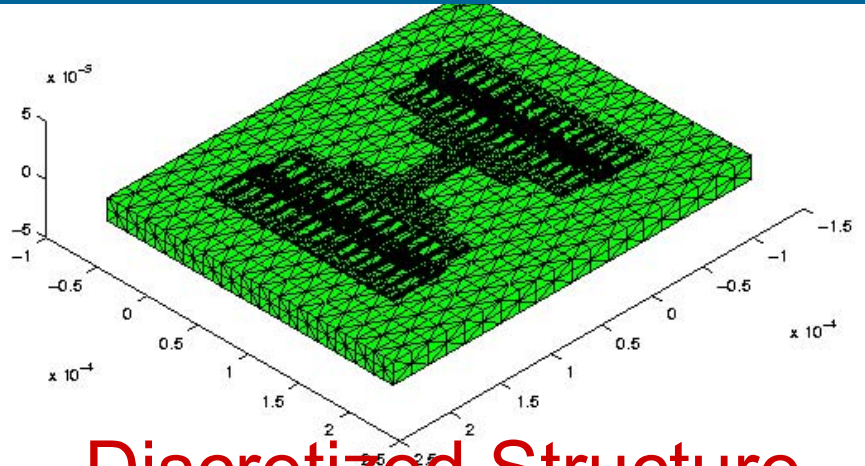
$$\text{Capacitance} = \text{Dielectric Permittivity} \int_{\text{surface}} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial n}$$

Drag Force in a Microresonator

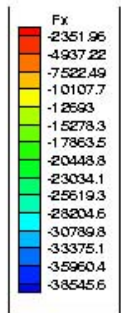


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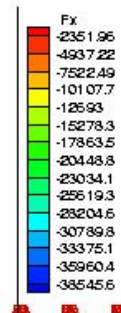
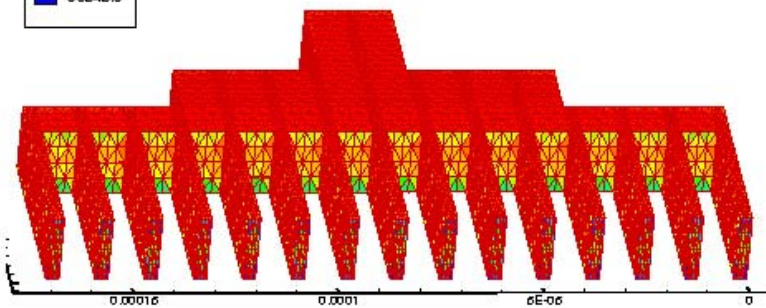
Resonator



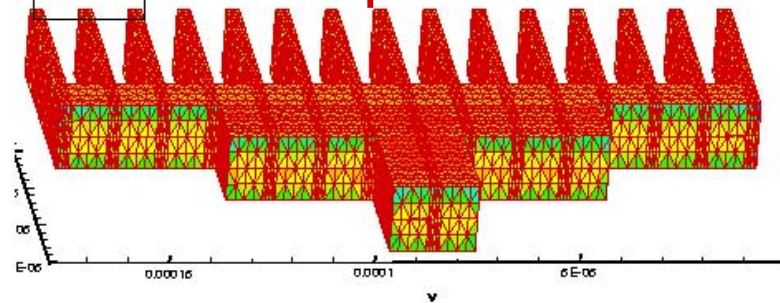
Discretized Structure



Computed Forces Bottom View



Computed Forces Top View



What is common about these problems.

Exterior Problems

Drag Force in MEMS device - fluid (air) creates drag.

Coupling in a Package - Fields in exterior create coupling

Capacitance of a Signal Line - Fields in exterior.

Quantities of Interest are on the surface

MEMS device - Just want surface traction force

Package - Just want coupling between conductors

Signal Line - Just want surface charge.

Exterior Problem is linear and space-invariant

MEMS - Exterior Stokes Flow equation (linear).

Package - Maxwell's equations in free space (linear).

Signal Line - Laplace's equation in free space (linear).

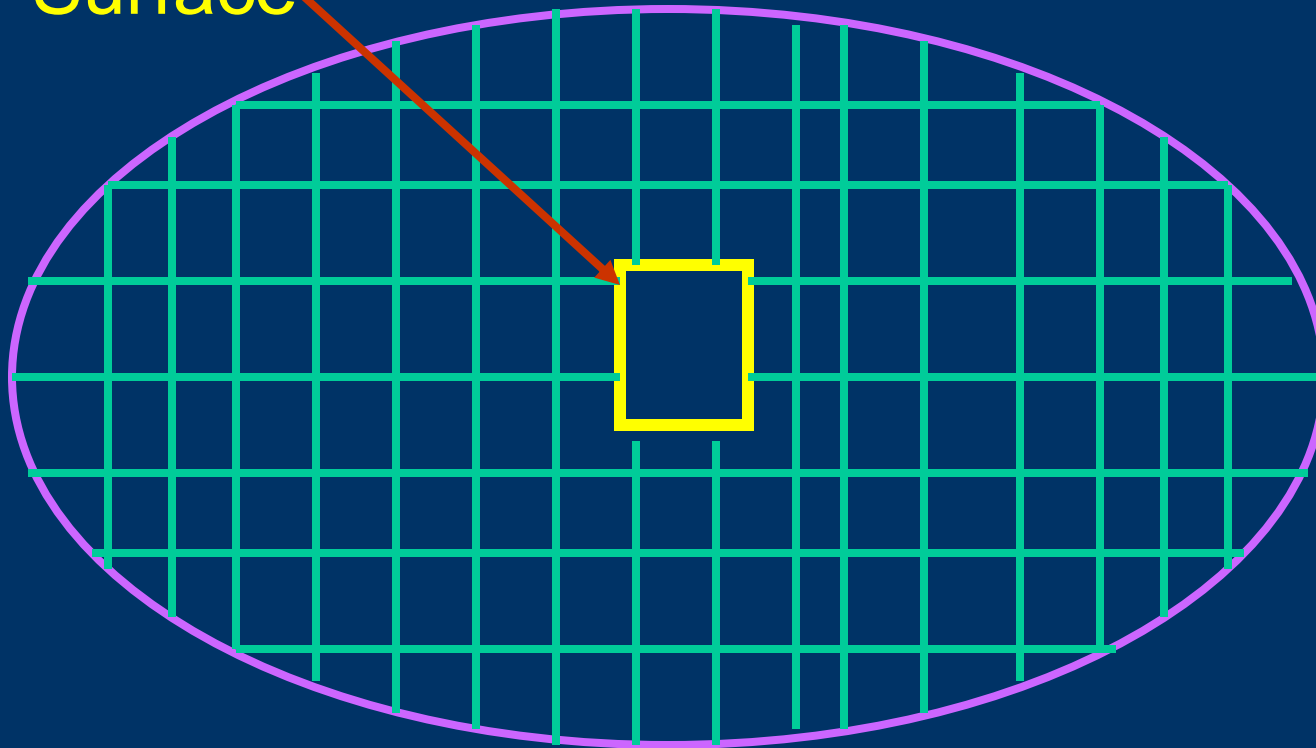
But problems are geometrically very complex!

Exterior Problems

Why not use Finite-Difference
or FEM methods

2-D Heat Flow Example

Surface



$T = 0$ at ∞
But, must
truncate the
mesh

Only need $\frac{\partial T}{\partial n}$ on the surface, but T is computed everywhere

Must truncate the mesh, $\Rightarrow T(\infty) = 0$ becomes $T(R) = 0$

In 2-D

$$\text{If } u = \log \left(\sqrt{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2} \right)$$
$$\text{then } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \text{for all } (x, y) \neq (x_0, y_0)$$

In 3-D

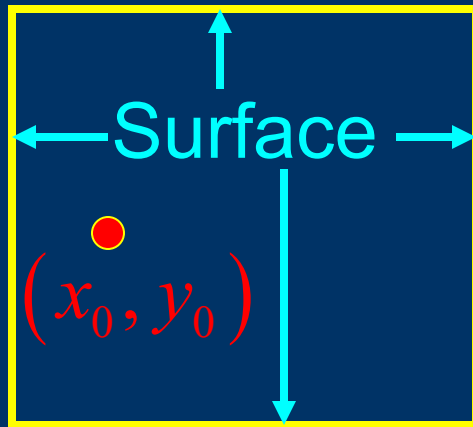
$$\text{If } u = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2 + (z-z_0)^2}}$$
$$\text{then } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} = 0 \quad \text{for all } (x, y, z) \neq (x_0, y_0, z_0)$$

Proof: Just differentiate and see!

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Simple Idea

u is given on surface



$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \text{outside}$$

Let $u = \log\left(\sqrt{(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2}\right)$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \text{outside}$$

~~Problem Solved~~

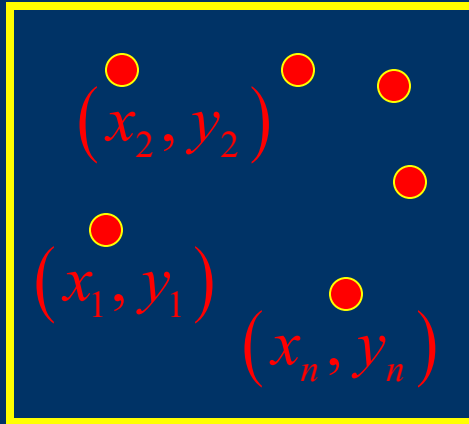
Does not match boundary conditions!

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Simple Idea

“More Points”

u is given on surface



$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \text{outside}$$

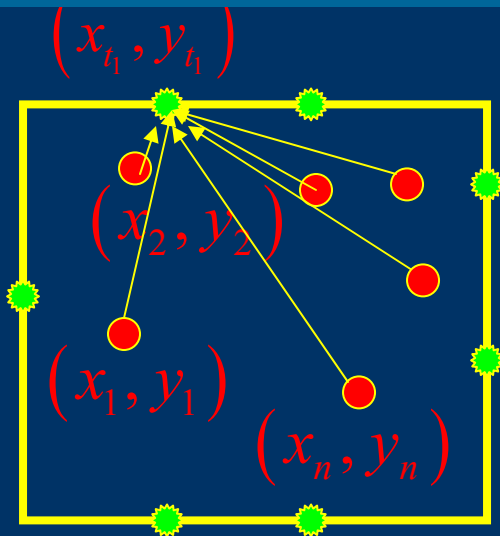
$$\text{Let } u = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \log \left(\sqrt{(x-x_i)^2 + (y-y_i)^2} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i G(x-x_i, y-y_i)$$

Pick the ω_i 's to match the boundary conditions!

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Simple Idea

“More Points Equations”

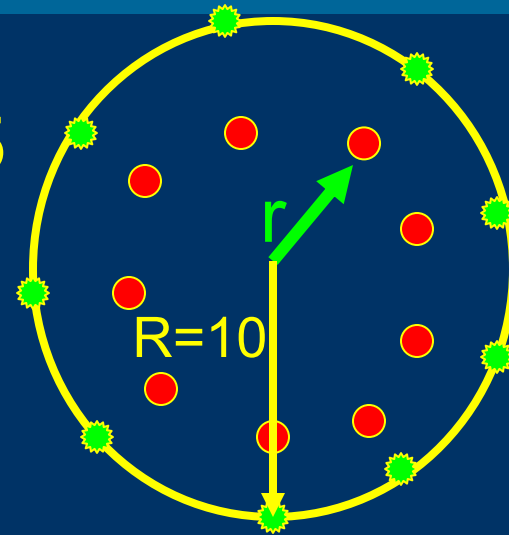


Source Strengths selected to give correct potential at test points.

$$\begin{bmatrix} G(x_{t_1} - x_1, y_{t_1} - y_1) & \cdots & \cdots & G(x_{t_1} - x_n, y_{t_1} - y_n) \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ G(x_{t_n} - x_1, y_{t_n} - y_1) & \cdots & \cdots & G(x_{t_n} - x_n, y_{t_n} - y_n) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \omega_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi(x_{t_1}, y_{t_1}) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \Psi(x_{t_n}, y_{t_n}) \end{bmatrix}$$

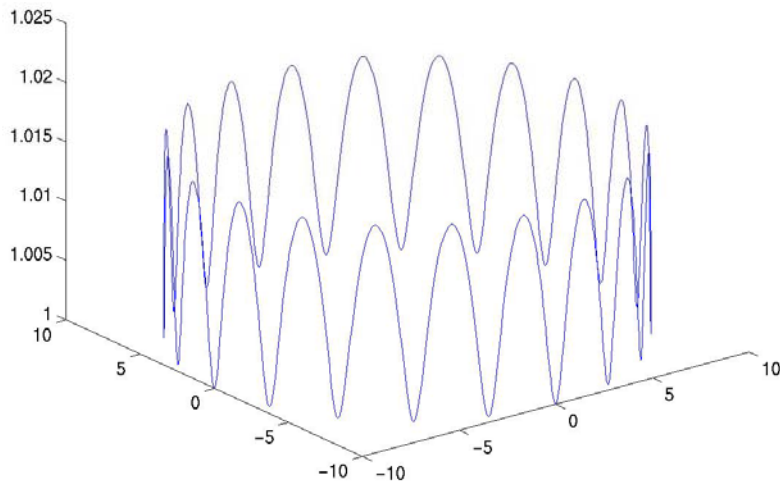
Computational results using points approach

Circle with Charges $r=9.5$

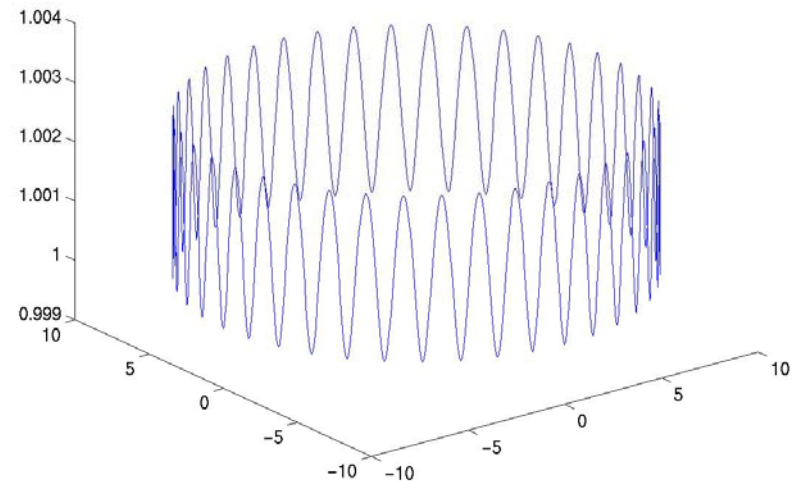


Potentials on the Circle

$n=20$



$n=40$

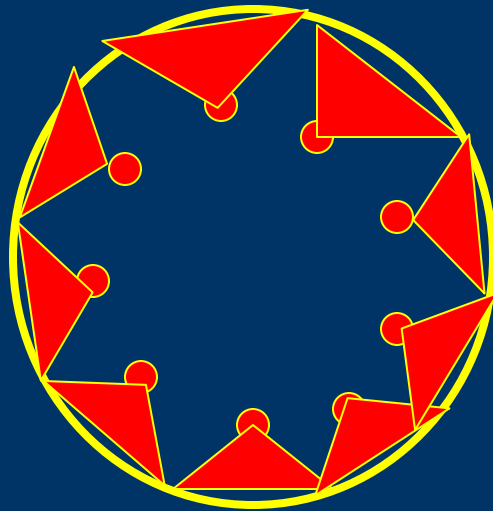


Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Integral Formulation

Limiting Argument

Want to smear point charges onto surface



Results in an Integral Equation

$$\Psi(x) = \int_{\text{surface}} G(x, x') \sigma(x') dS'$$

How do we solve the integral equation?

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

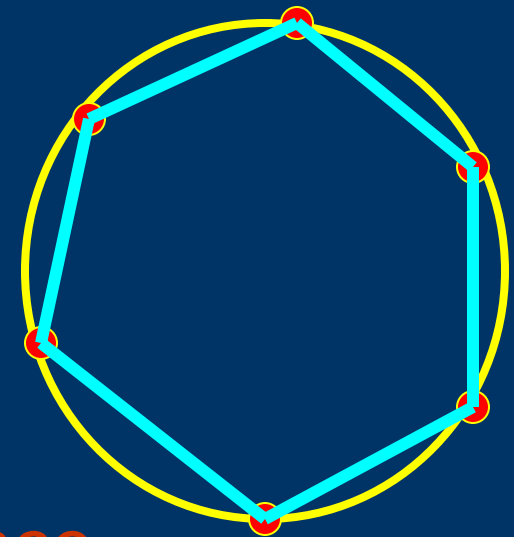
Basic Idea

$$\text{Represent } \sigma(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \underbrace{\varphi_i(x)}_{\text{Basis Functions}}$$

Example Basis

Represent circle with straight lines

Assume σ is constant along each line

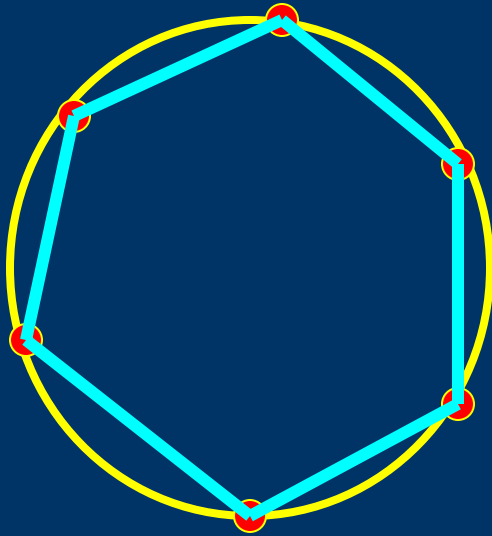


The basis functions are “on” the surface
Can be used to approximate the density
May also approximate the geometry

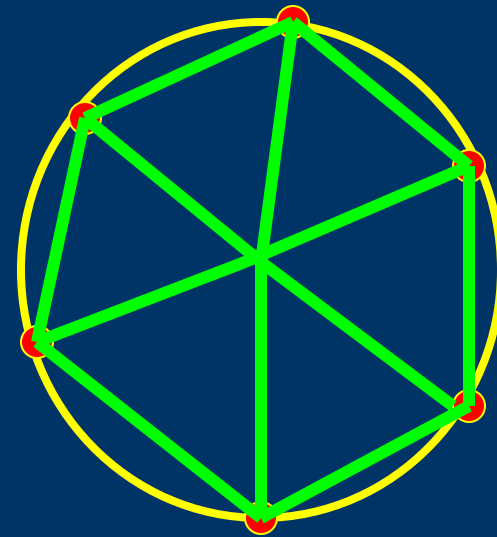
Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Geometric Approximation is not new.



Piecewise Straight surface basis Functions approximate the circle



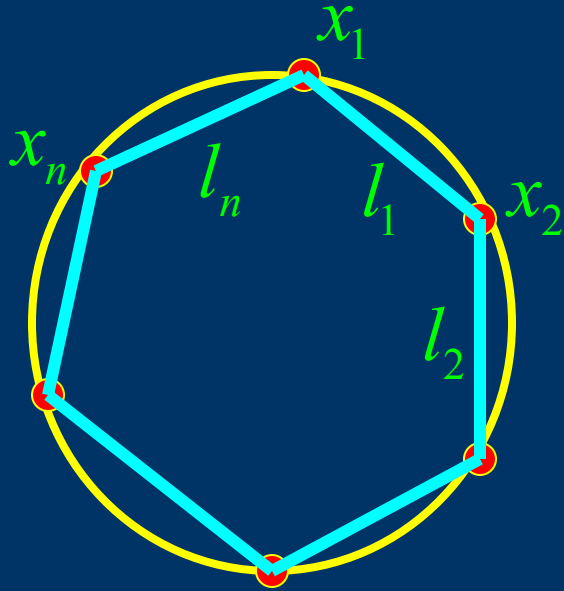
Triangles for 2-D FEM approximate the circle too!

$$\Psi(x) = \int_{\text{approx surface}} G(x, x') \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \varphi_i(x') dS'$$

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Piecewise Constant Straight Sections Example.



1) Pick a set of n Points on the surface

2) Define a new surface by connecting points with n lines.

3) Define $\varphi_i(x) = 1$ if x is on line l_i otherwise, $\varphi_i(x) = 0$

$$\Psi(x) = \int_{\text{approx surface}} G(x, x') \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \varphi_i(x') dS' = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \int_{\text{line } l_i} G(x, x') dS'$$

How do we determine the ω_i 's?

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Residual Definition and minimization

$$R(x) \equiv \Psi(x) - \int_{\substack{\text{approx} \\ \text{surface}}} G(x, x') \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \phi_i(x') dS'$$

We will pick the ω_i 's to make $R(x)$ small.

General Approach: Pick a set of test functions ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n , and force $R(x)$ to be orthogonal to the set

$$\int \phi_i(x) R(x) dS = 0 \quad \text{for all } i.$$

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Residual minimization using
test functions

$$\int \phi_i(x) R(x) dS = \int \phi_i(x) \Psi(x) dS - \int \int_{\substack{\text{approx} \\ \text{surface}}} \phi_i(x) G(x, x') \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \phi_j(x') dS' dS = 0$$

We will generate different methods by choosing the ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_n ,

Collocation: $\phi_i(x) = \delta(x - x_{t_i})$ (point-matching)

Galerkin Method: $\phi_i(x) = \varphi_i(x)$ (basis = test)

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Collocation

Collocation: $\phi_i(x) = \delta(x - x_i)$ (point-matching)

$$\int \delta(x - x_{t_i}) R(x) dS = R(x_{t_i}) = \Psi(x_{t_i}) - \int_{\text{approx surface}} G(x_{t_i}, x') \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \phi_j(x') dS' = 0$$

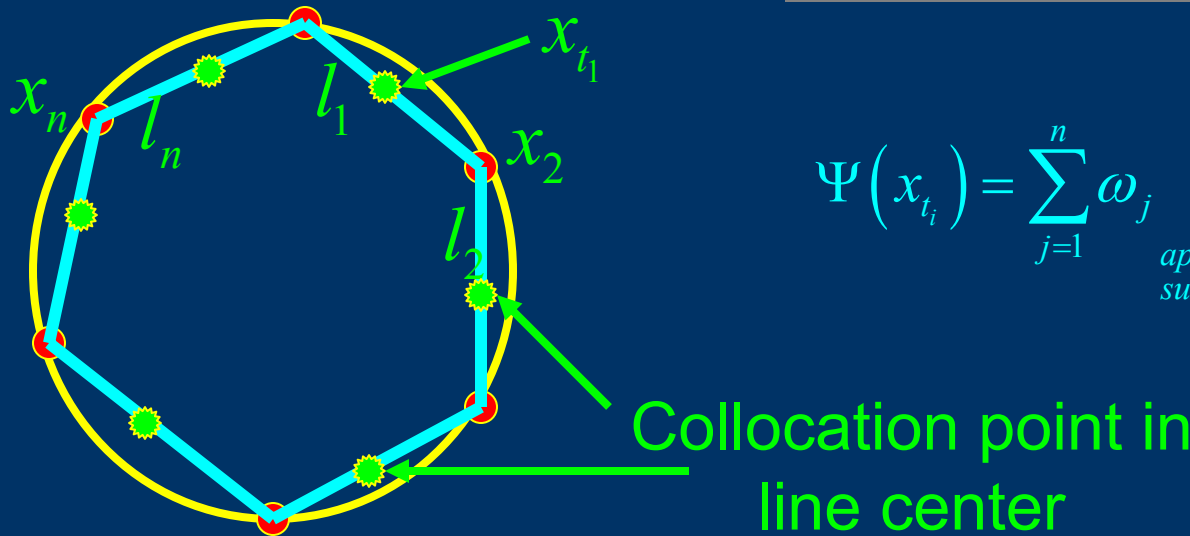
$$\Rightarrow \Psi(x_{t_i}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int_{\text{approx surface}} G(x_{t_i}, x') \phi_j(x') dS'}_{A_{i,j}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & \cdots & A_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n,1} & \cdots & \cdots & A_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \omega_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi(x_{t_1}) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \Psi(x_{t_n}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Centroid Collocation for Piecewise Constant Bases



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Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Centroid Collocation
Generates a nonsymmetric A

$$\Psi(x_{t_i}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int_{\text{line } j} G(x_{t_i}, x') dS'}_{A_{i,j}}$$



$$A_{1,2} = \int_{\text{line 2}} G(x_{t_1}, x') dS' \neq \int_{\text{line 1}} G(x_{t_2}, x') dS' = A_{2,1}$$

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Galerkin

Galerkin: $\phi_i(x) = \varphi_i(x)$ (test=basis)

$$\int \varphi_i(x) R(x) dS = \int \varphi_i(x) \Psi(x) dS - \int \int_{\text{approx surface}} \varphi_i(x) G(x, x') \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \varphi_j(x') dS' dS = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\int_{\text{approx surface}} \varphi_i(x) \Psi(x) dS}_{b_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int \int_{\text{approx surface}} G(x, x') \varphi_i(x) \varphi_j(x') dS' dS}_{A_{i,j}}$$

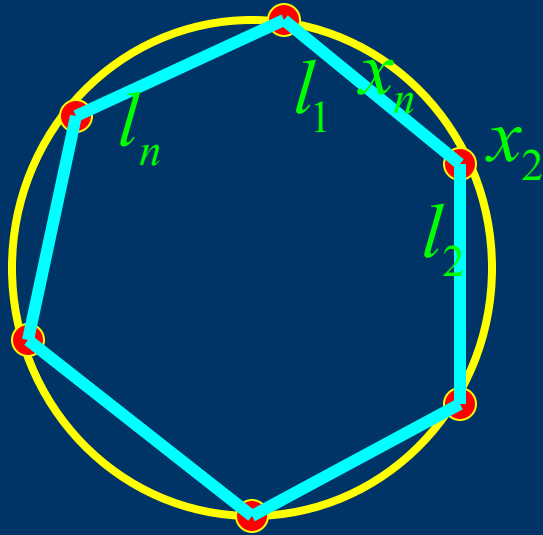
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If $G(x, x') = G(x', x)$ then $A_{i,j} = A_{j,i}$ **A is symmetric**

Laplace's Equation in 2-D

Basis Function Approach

Galerkin for Piecewise Constant Bases



$$\underbrace{\int_{\text{line}_i} \Psi(x) dS}_{b_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int_{\text{line}_i} \int_{\text{line}_j} G(x, x') dS' dS}_{A_{i,j}}$$

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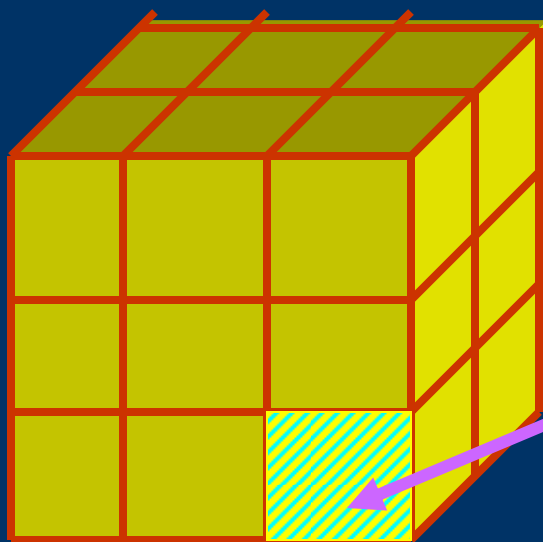
3-D Laplace's Equation

Basis Function Approach

Piecewise Constant Basis

Integral Equation:
$$\Psi(x) = \int_{\text{surface}} \frac{1}{\|x - x'\|} \sigma(x') dS'$$

Discretize Surface into Panels



Panel j

Represent
$$\sigma(x) \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \underbrace{\varphi_i(x)}_{\text{Basis Functions}}$$

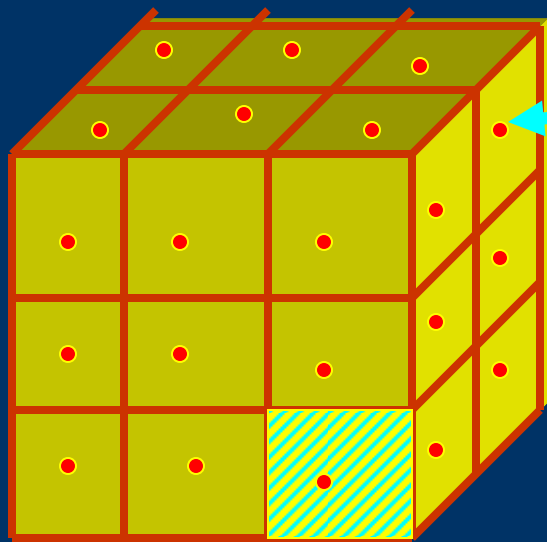
$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_j(x) &= 1 && \text{if } x \text{ is on panel } j \\ \varphi_j(x) &= 0 && \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

3-D Laplace's Equation

Basis Function Approach

Centroid Collocation

Put collocation points at panel centroids



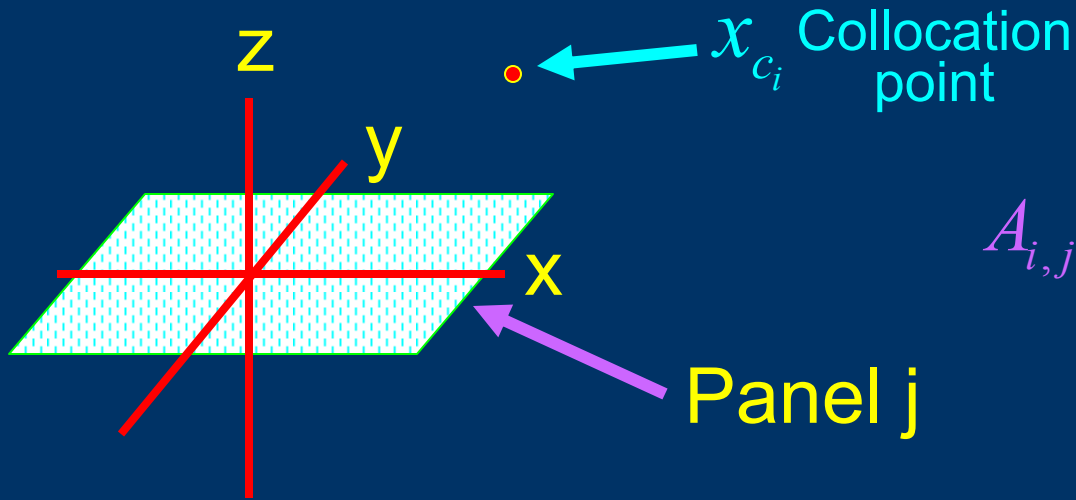
$$\Psi(x_{c_i}) = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int_{\text{panel } j} G(x_{c_i}, x') dS'}_{A_{i,j}}$$

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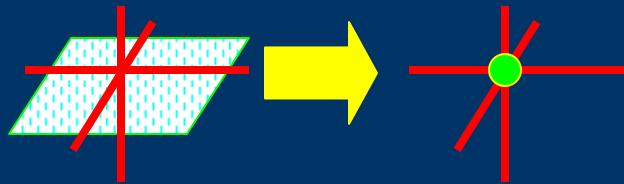
Basis Function Approach

Calculating Matrix Elements



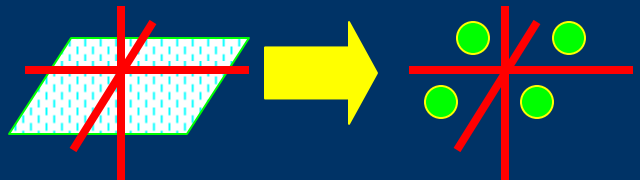
$$A_{i,j} = \int_{\text{panel } j} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS'$$

One point quadrature Approximation



$$A_{i,j} \approx \frac{\text{Panel Area}}{\|x_{c_i} - x_{\text{centroid}_j}\|}$$

Four point quadrature Approximation

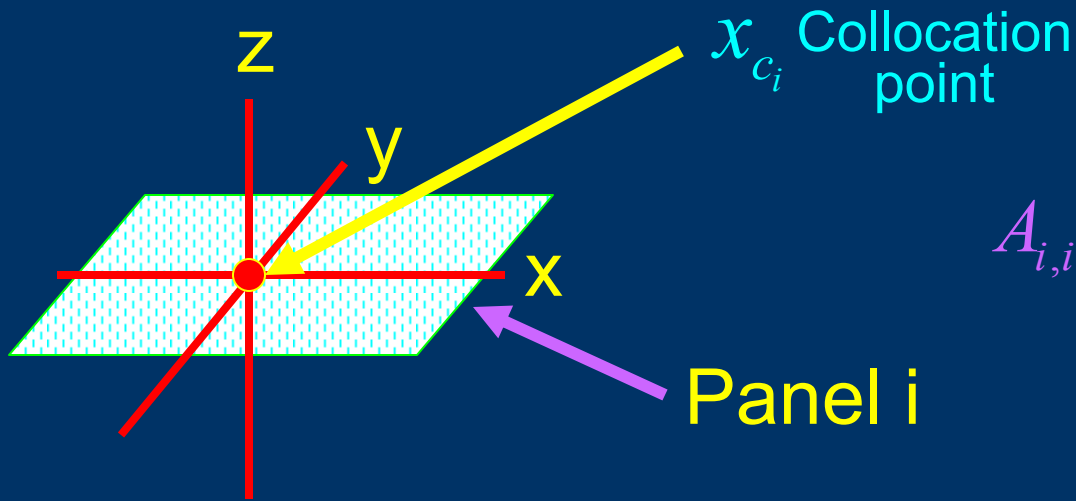


$$A_{i,j} \approx \sum_{j=1}^4 \frac{0.25 * \text{Area}}{\|x_{c_i} - x_{\text{point}_j}\|}$$

3-D Laplace's Equation

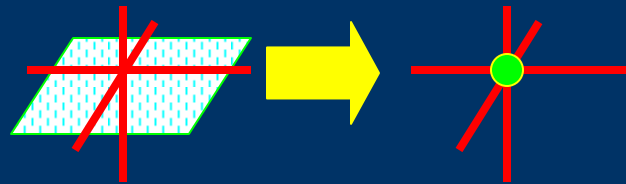
Basis Function Approach

Calculating "Self-Term"



$$A_{i,i} = \int_{\text{panel } i} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS'$$

One point quadrature Approximation



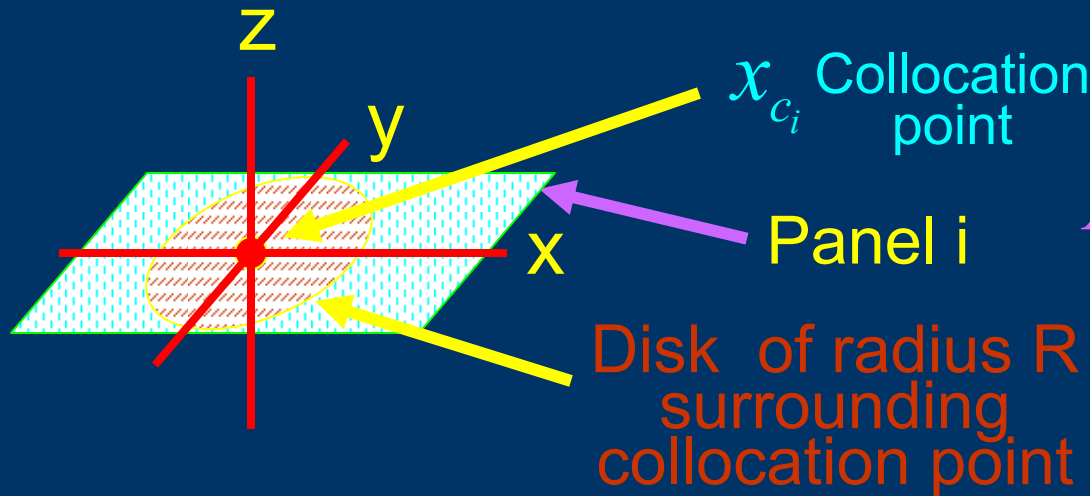
$$A_{i,i} \approx \frac{\text{Panel Area}}{\underbrace{\|x_{c_i} - x_{c_i}\|}_0}$$

$$A_{i,i} = \int_{\text{panel } i} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS' \text{ is an integrable singularity}$$

3-D Laplace's Equation

Basis Function Approach

Calculating "Self-Term"
Tricks of the trade



$$A_{i,i} = \int_{\text{panel } i} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS'$$

Integrate in two pieces

$$A_{i,i} = \int_{\text{disk}} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS' + \int_{\text{rest of panel}} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS'$$

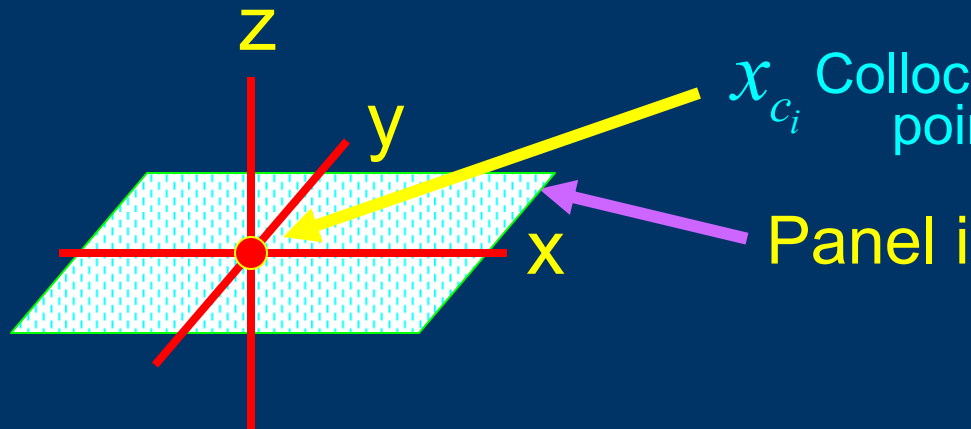
Disk Integral has singularity but has analytic formula

$$\int_{\text{disk}} \frac{1}{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|} dS' = \int_0^R \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{r} r dr d\theta = 2\pi R$$

3-D Laplace's Equation

Basis Function Approach

Calculating "Self-Term"
Other Tricks of the trade



x_{c_i} Collocation point

Panel i

$$A_{i,i} = \int_{\text{panel } i} \frac{1}{\underbrace{\|x_{c_i} - x'\|}_{\text{Integrand is singular}}} dS'$$

- 1) If panel is a flat polygon, analytical formulas exist
- 2) Curve panels can be handled with projection

3-D Laplace's Equation

Basis Function Approach

Galerkin (test=basis)

$$\underbrace{\int \varphi_i(x) \Psi(x) dS}_{b_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int \int \varphi_i(x) G(x, x') \varphi_j(x') dS' dS}_{A_{i,j}}$$

For piecewise constant Basis

$$\underbrace{\int \Psi(x) dS'}_{b_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_j \underbrace{\int_{\text{panel } i} \int_{\text{panel } j} \frac{1}{\|x - x'\|} dS' dS}_{A_{i,j}}$$

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3-D Laplace's Equation

Basis Function Approach

Problem with dense matrix

Integral Equation Method Generate Huge Dense Matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \cdots & \cdots & A_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{n,1} & \cdots & \cdots & A_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \omega_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi(x_{c_1}) \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \Psi(x_{c_n}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Gaussian Elimination Much Too Slow!

Summary

Integral Equation Methods

Exterior versus interior problems

Start with using point sources

Standard Solution Methods

Collocation Method

Galerkin Method

Next Time → “Fast” Solvers

Use a Krylov-Subspace Iterative Method

Compute MV products Approximately