

# Transformation of second derivatives in weak formulation

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## 1 Transformation of the first derivatives

Let me denote mapping from reference domain onto physical element by

$$\mathbf{x}_K = (x_{K,0}, x_{K,1}),$$

the Jacobi matrix of this mapping by

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} J_{00} & J_{01} \\ J_{10} & J_{11} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} & \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} \\ \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} & \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the inverse of transposed Jacobi matrix by

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} m_{00} & m_{01} \\ m_{10} & m_{11} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\det(J)} \begin{pmatrix} J_{11} & -J_{10} \\ -J_{01} & J_{00} \end{pmatrix}$$

In this notation, the transformation of the first derivatives is the following

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} J_{00} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} J_{10}, \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_2} &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} J_{01} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} J_{11}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{00} & m_{01} \\ m_{10} & m_{11} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

## 2 Second derivatives

Let me denote the matrix of the second derivatives of the reference mapping by

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} k_{00} & k_{01} & k_{02} \\ k_{10} & k_{11} & k_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} & \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} & \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

With this notation the second derivatives of  $u$  can be written as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_1} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_1} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} \right) = \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} \right) \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1^2} + \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} \right) \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1^2} \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} J_{00} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} J_{10} \right) J_{00} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} K_{00} + \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} J_{00} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} J_{10} \right) J_{10} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} K_{10} = \\ &= J_{00}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2J_{00}J_{10} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + J_{10}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + K_{00} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + K_{10} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_1} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_2} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_1} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} \right) = \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} \right) \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} + \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_1} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1} \right) \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} \\ &= J_{00}J_{01} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + (J_{01}J_{10} + J_{00}J_{11}) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + J_{10}J_{11} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + K_{01} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + K_{11} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_2} \right) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi_2} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} \right) = \\ &= \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} \right) \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2^2} + \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \frac{\partial x_{K,0}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} \right) \frac{\partial x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \frac{\partial^2 x_{K,1}}{\partial \xi_2^2} \\ &= J_{01}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + 2J_{01}J_{11} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} + J_{11}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + K_{02} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + K_{12} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{aligned}$$

In the matrix notation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} J_{00}^2 & 2J_{00}J_{10} & J_{10}^2 \\ J_{00}J_{01} & J_{00}J_{11} + J_{01}J_{10} & J_{10}J_{11} \\ J_{01}^2 & 2J_{01}J_{11} & J_{11}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} K_{00} & K_{10} \\ K_{01} & K_{11} \\ K_{02} & K_{12} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix}$$

For the transformation of expressions in a weak formulation we need to express derivatives with respect to  $x, y$  with aid of only derivatives with respect to  $\xi_1, \xi_2$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2} \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} + K^T \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2} \end{pmatrix} - A^{-1} K^T M \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det^2(J)} \begin{pmatrix} J_{11}^2 & -2J_{10}J_{11} & J_{10}^2 \\ -J_{01}J_{11} & J_{00}J_{11} + J_{01}J_{10} & -J_{00}J_{10} \\ J_{01}^2 & -2J_{00}J_{01} & J_{00}^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{00}^2 & 2m_{01}m_{00} & m_{01}^2 \\ m_{10}m_{00} & m_{00}m_{11} + m_{01}m_{10} & m_{11}m_{01} \\ m_{10}^2 & 2m_{11}m_{10} & m_{11}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice, that for elements whose Jacobian is constant (triangles, nice quadrilaterals) the matrix  $K$  is zero matrix and transformations can be simplified (it does not content the first derivatives of  $u$  with respect to  $\xi$  at all).

### 3 Final expressions

From previous it follows how to transform  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y}$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$  in weak formulations. Expressions are in terms of entries of  $M$  and  $K$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} &= m_{00}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} + 2m_{01}m_{00} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \xi_2} + m_{01}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2} \quad (1) \\ &- \left[ (m_{00}^2 k_{00} + 2m_{01}m_{00}k_{01} + m_{01}^2 k_{02}) m_{00} + (m_{00}^2 k_{10} + 2m_{01}m_{00}k_{11} + m_{01}^2 k_{12}) m_{10} \right] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1} \\ &- \left[ (m_{00}^2 k_{00} + 2m_{01}m_{00}k_{01} + m_{01}^2 k_{02}) m_{01} + (m_{00}^2 k_{10} + 2m_{01}m_{00}k_{11} + m_{01}^2 k_{12}) m_{11} \right] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = m_{00} m_{10} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} + (m_{00} m_{11} + m_{10} m_{01}) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} + m_{01} m_{11} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2} \quad (2)$$

$$- [(m_{00} m_{10} k_{00} + (m_{00} m_{11} + m_{10} m_{01}) k_{01} + m_{01} m_{11} k_{02}) m_{00} +$$

$$(m_{00} m_{10} k_{10} + (m_{00} m_{11} + m_{10} m_{01}) k_{11} + m_{01} m_{11} k_{12}) m_{10}] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1}$$

$$- [(m_{00} m_{10} k_{00} + (m_{00} m_{11} + m_{10} m_{01}) k_{01} + m_{01} m_{11} k_{02}) m_{01} +$$

$$(m_{00} m_{10} k_{10} + (m_{00} m_{11} + m_{10} m_{01}) k_{11} + m_{01} m_{11} k_{12}) m_{11}] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = m_{10}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} + 2m_{11} m_{10} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} + m_{11}^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2} \quad (3)$$

$$- [(m_{10}^2 k_{00} + 2m_{11} m_{10} k_{01} + m_{11}^2 k_{02}) m_{00} + (m_{10}^2 k_{10} + 2m_{11} m_{10} k_{11} + m_{11}^2 k_{12}) m_{10}] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1}$$

$$- [(m_{10}^2 k_{00} + 2m_{11} m_{10} k_{01} + m_{11}^2 k_{02}) m_{01} + (m_{10}^2 k_{10} + 2m_{11} m_{10} k_{11} + m_{11}^2 k_{12}) m_{11}] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1}$$

## 4 Example: Laplace

$$\Delta u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} =$$

$$= (m_{00}^2 + m_{10}^2) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1^2} + (2m_{01} m_{00} + 2m_{10} m_{11}) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} + (m_{01}^2 + m_{11}^2) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \xi_2^2}$$

$$- [((m_{00}^2 + m_{10}^2) k_{00} + (2m_{01} m_{00} + 2m_{10} m_{11}) k_{01} + (m_{01}^2 + m_{11}^2) k_{02}) m_{00} +$$

$$((m_{00}^2 + m_{10}^2) k_{10} + (2m_{01} m_{00} + 2m_{10} m_{11}) k_{11} + (m_{01}^2 + m_{11}^2) k_{12}) m_{10}] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1}$$

$$- [((m_{00}^2 + m_{10}^2) k_{00} + (2m_{01} m_{00} + 2m_{10} m_{11}) k_{01} + (m_{01}^2 + m_{11}^2) k_{02}) m_{01} +$$

$$((m_{00}^2 + m_{10}^2) k_{10} + (2m_{01} m_{00} + 2m_{10} m_{11}) k_{11} + (m_{01}^2 + m_{11}^2) k_{12}) m_{11}] \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi_1}$$