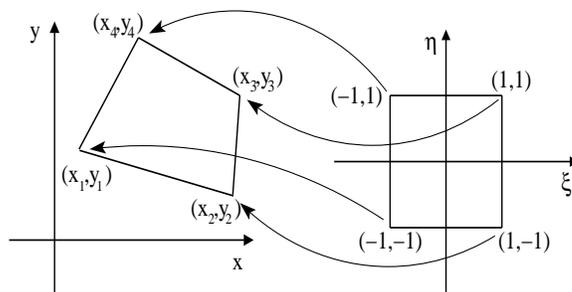


1. Find explicit expressions for the basis functions  $\{\chi_i\}_{i=1}^4$  defined on the square  $(\xi, \eta) \in [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$  illustrated on the right below, given that they satisfy the standard interpolation properties:

$$\chi_i(\xi, \eta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{at vertex } i, \\ 0 & \text{at the other three vertices,} \\ & \text{of the form } (a + b\xi)(c + d\eta). \end{cases}$$

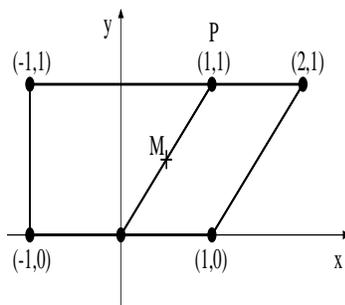


Verify that the bilinear mapping to the general quadrilateral shown on the left of the picture is given by

$$\begin{aligned} x &= x_1\chi_1 + x_2\chi_2 + x_3\chi_3 + x_4\chi_4 \\ y &= y_1\chi_1 + y_2\chi_2 + y_3\chi_3 + y_4\chi_4. \end{aligned}$$

Show that horizontal straight lines  $\eta = C$  are mapped onto straight lines in  $(x, y)$  coordinates.

2. For the two-dimensional domain illustrated, show that the bilinear interpolant that takes on the value one at vertex  $P$  and zero at the other vertices gives different values in the two quadrilaterals at the midpoint  $M$  on the common edge. (This means that a global interpolant obtained by piecing together the two local approximations will be **discontinuous**.) Show that the bilinearly mapped interpolant (as defined in the first question) is however, **continuous** along the common edge.



3. Given a general triangle with vertices  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  the barycentric coordinates  $(L_1, L_2, L_3)$  can be defined by the mapping:

$$\begin{aligned}x &= x_1L_1 + x_2L_2 + x_3L_3 \\y &= y_1L_1 + y_2L_2 + y_3L_3 \\1 &= L_1 + L_2 + L_3.\end{aligned}$$

By inverting this mapping, show that  $L_i = \frac{1}{2|\Delta|}(a_i + b_ix + c_iy)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , where  $|\Delta|$  is the area of the triangle and deduce explicit expressions for the constants  $a_i$ ,  $b_i$  and  $c_i$ .

4. A superlinear interpolant of the form  $u^{\textcircled{D}} = aL_1 + bL_2 + cL_3 + dL_1L_2L_3$  where  $(L_1, L_2, L_3)$  are barycentric coordinates, is characterised by the local basis set  $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^4$  satisfying the standard interpolation property:

$$N_i(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{at node } i, \\ 0 & \text{at the other three nodes.} \end{cases}$$

Derive the form of the four basis functions if the nodes correspond to the three vertices and the centroid of the triangle.

By evaluating the interpolant of two triangles sharing a common edge, PQ say, show that the concatenated global interpolant is **continuous**. Is the normal derivative of the global interpolant also continuous?

5. A linear interpolant of the form  $u^{\textcircled{D}} = aL_1 + bL_2 + cL_3$  where  $(L_1, L_2, L_3)$  are barycentric coordinates, is characterised by the  $\mathbf{P}_1$  basis set  $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^3$  satisfying the standard interpolation property:

$$N_i(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{at node } i, \\ 0 & \text{at the other two nodes.} \end{cases}$$

Derive the form of the three basis functions if the nodes correspond to the three mid-edge points of the triangle

By evaluating the interpolant of two triangles sharing a common edge, PQ say, show that the concatenated global interpolant is **not continuous**.

6. A quadratic interpolant of the form  $u^{\textcircled{D}} = aL_1 + bL_2 + cL_3 + dL_1L_2 + eL_1L_3 + fL_2L_3$  where  $(L_1, L_2, L_3)$  are barycentric coordinates, is characterised by the  $\mathbf{P}_2$  basis set  $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^6$  satisfying the standard interpolation property:

$$N_i(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{at node } i, \\ 0 & \text{at the other five nodes.} \end{cases}$$

Derive the form of the six basis functions if the nodes correspond to the three vertices and the three mid-edges of the triangle.

By evaluating the interpolant of two triangles sharing a common edge, PQ say, show that the concatenated global interpolant is **continuous**. Is the normal derivative of the global interpolant also continuous?