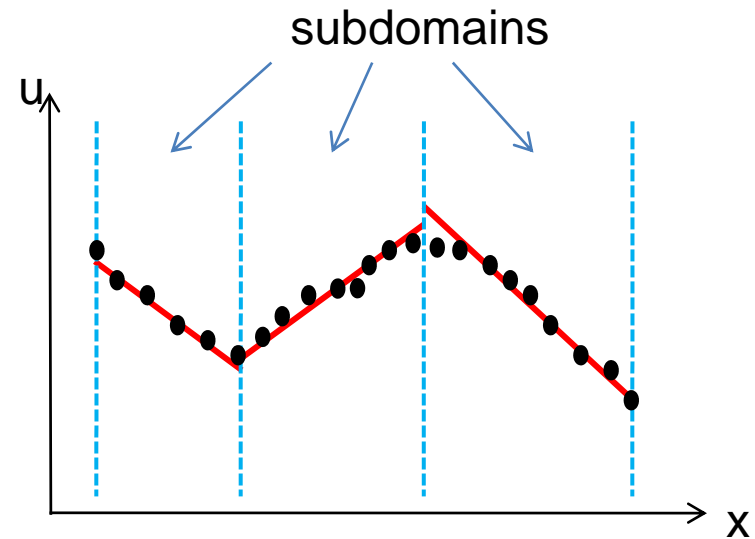
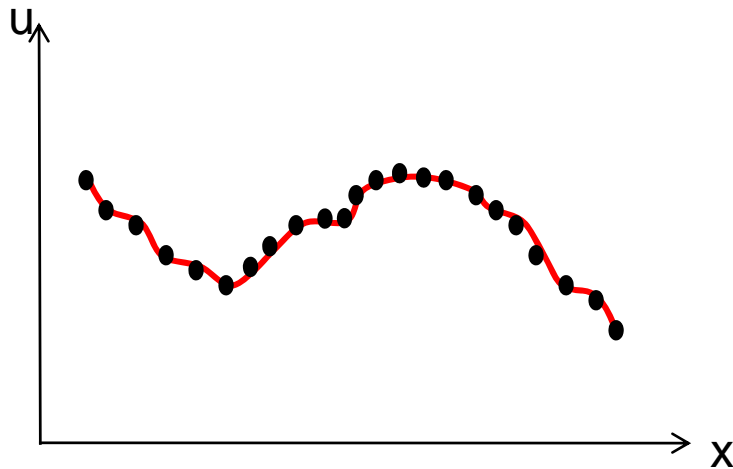


Interpolation

Consider modelling 1D data (e.g. temperature profile along a 1D rod) ...

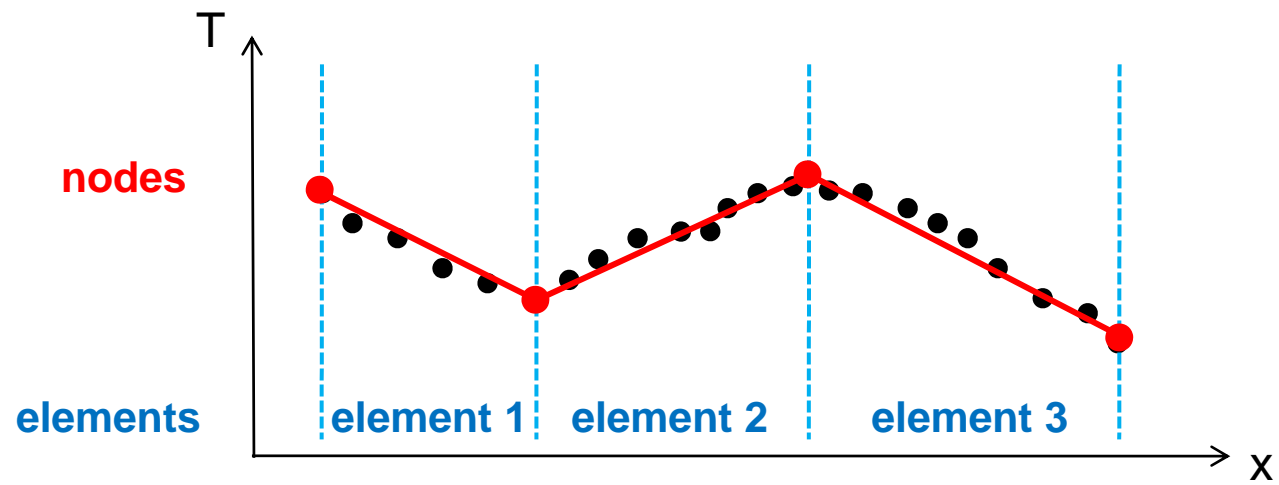
High order polynomial across whole domain



Low order interpolation within subdomains

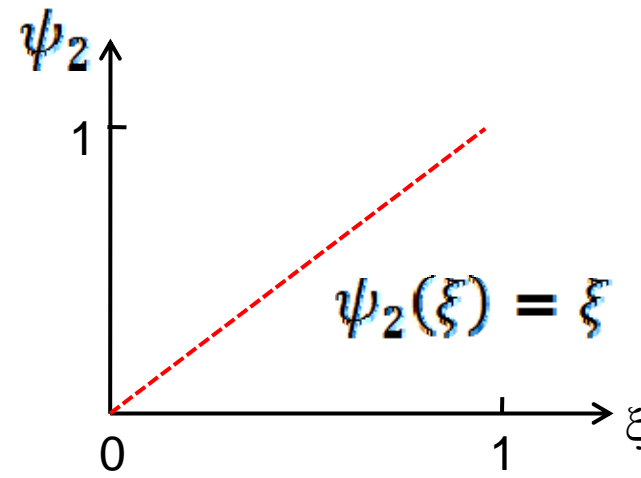
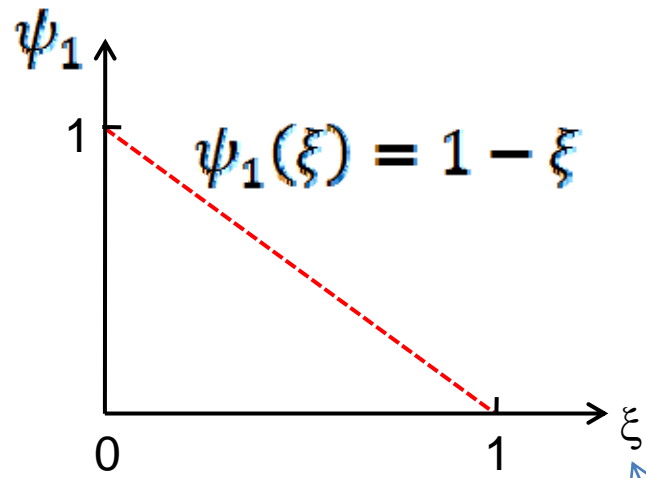
.. but need to ensure continuity across subdomain boundaries.

Nodes & elements

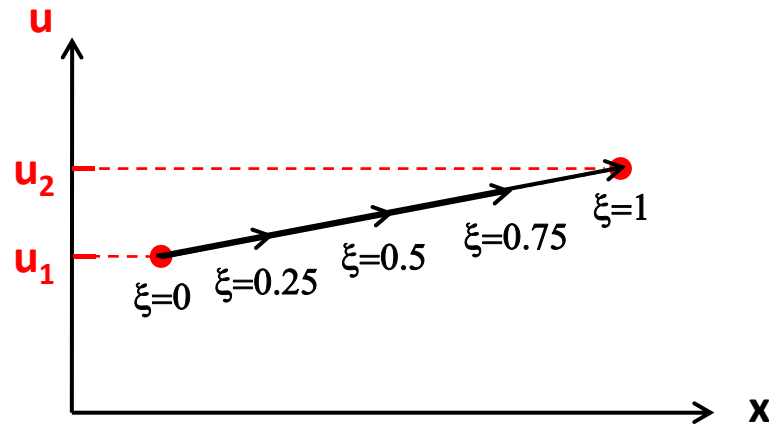
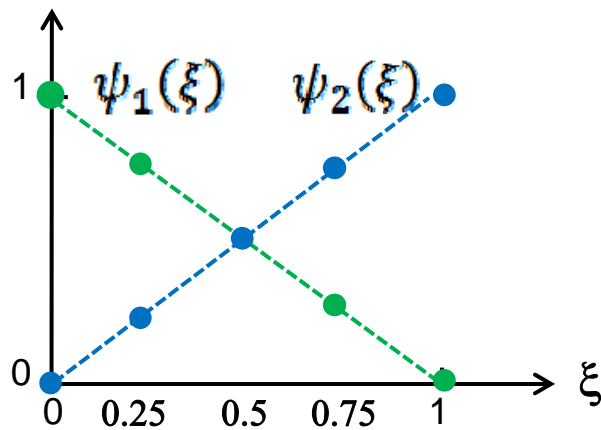


interpolation with basis functions

Basis functions



Finite element co-ordinate



$$u(\xi) = \psi_1(\xi)u_1 + \psi_2(\xi)u_2 = (1 - \xi)u_1 + (\xi)u_2$$

$$\text{At } \xi = 0, \quad u(0) = (1 - 0)u_1 + 0u_2 = u_1$$

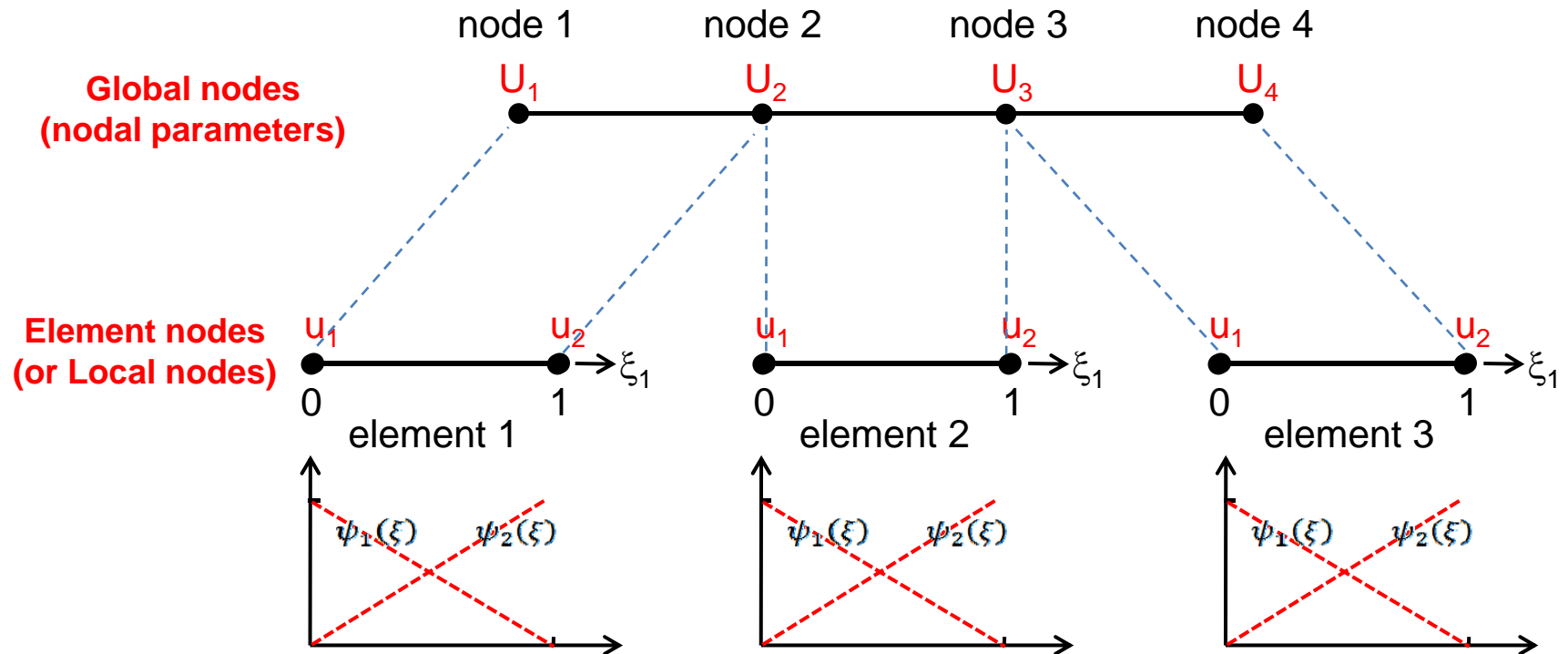
$$\text{At } \xi = 0.25, \quad u(0.25) = (1 - 0.25)u_1 + 0.25u_2 = 0.75u_1 + 0.25u_2$$

$$\text{At } \xi = 0.5, \quad u(0.5) = (1 - 0.5)u_1 + 0.5u_2 = 0.5u_1 + 0.5u_2$$

$$\text{At } \xi = 0.75, \quad u(0.75) = (1 - 0.75)u_1 + 0.75u_2 = 0.25u_1 + 0.75u_2$$

$$\text{At } \xi = 1, \quad u(1) = (1 - 1)u_1 + 1u_2 = u_2$$

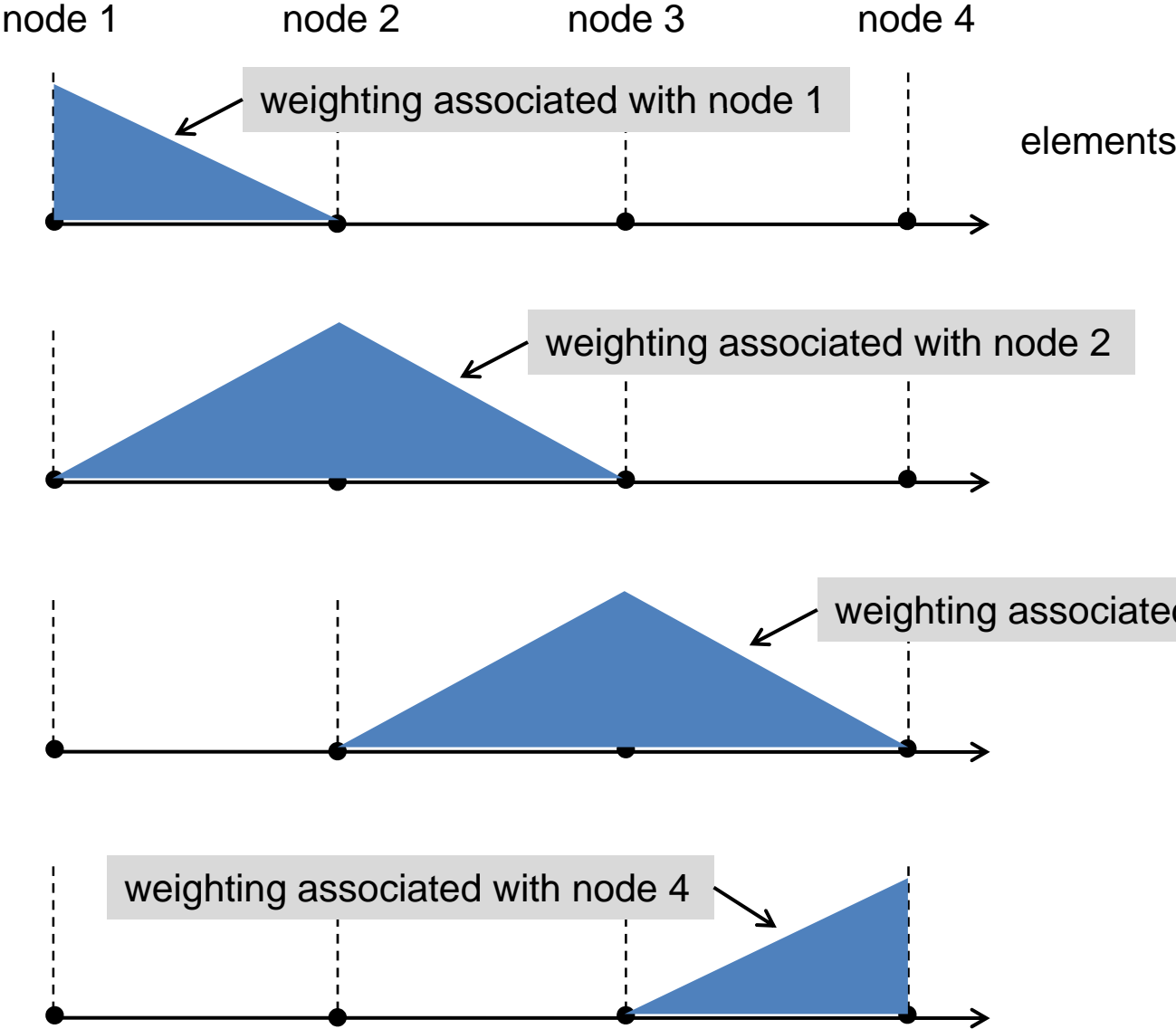
Connecting elements



$$u(\xi) = \psi_1(\xi)u_1 + \psi_2(\xi)u_2$$

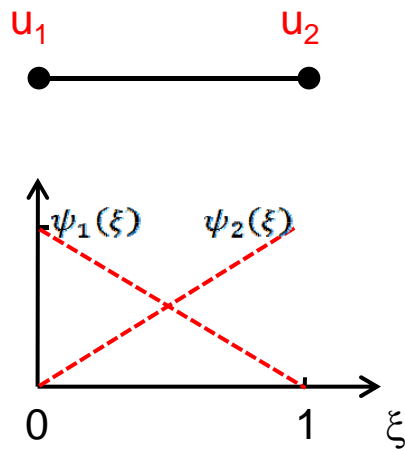
$$= \sum_{n=1,2} \psi_n(\xi)u_n = \psi_n(\xi)u_n \quad (\text{implied summation})$$

Influence region for a node



Properties of basis functions

- **Essential property:** the basis function associated with a particular node takes the values of:
 - ONE when evaluated at that node
 - ZERO at every other node in the element
- This ensures the linear independence of the basis functions.
- It is also the key to deriving the basis functions from first principles.
e.g. 1D linear Lagrange basis functions:



$$\psi_1(\xi) = a + b\xi$$

$$\psi_1(\xi) = 1 \quad \text{at} \quad \xi = 0 \quad \rightarrow a = 1$$

$$\psi_1(\xi) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad \xi = 1 \quad \rightarrow 1 + b = 0 \quad \rightarrow \psi_1(\xi) = 1 - \xi$$

$$\psi_2(\xi) = c + d\xi$$

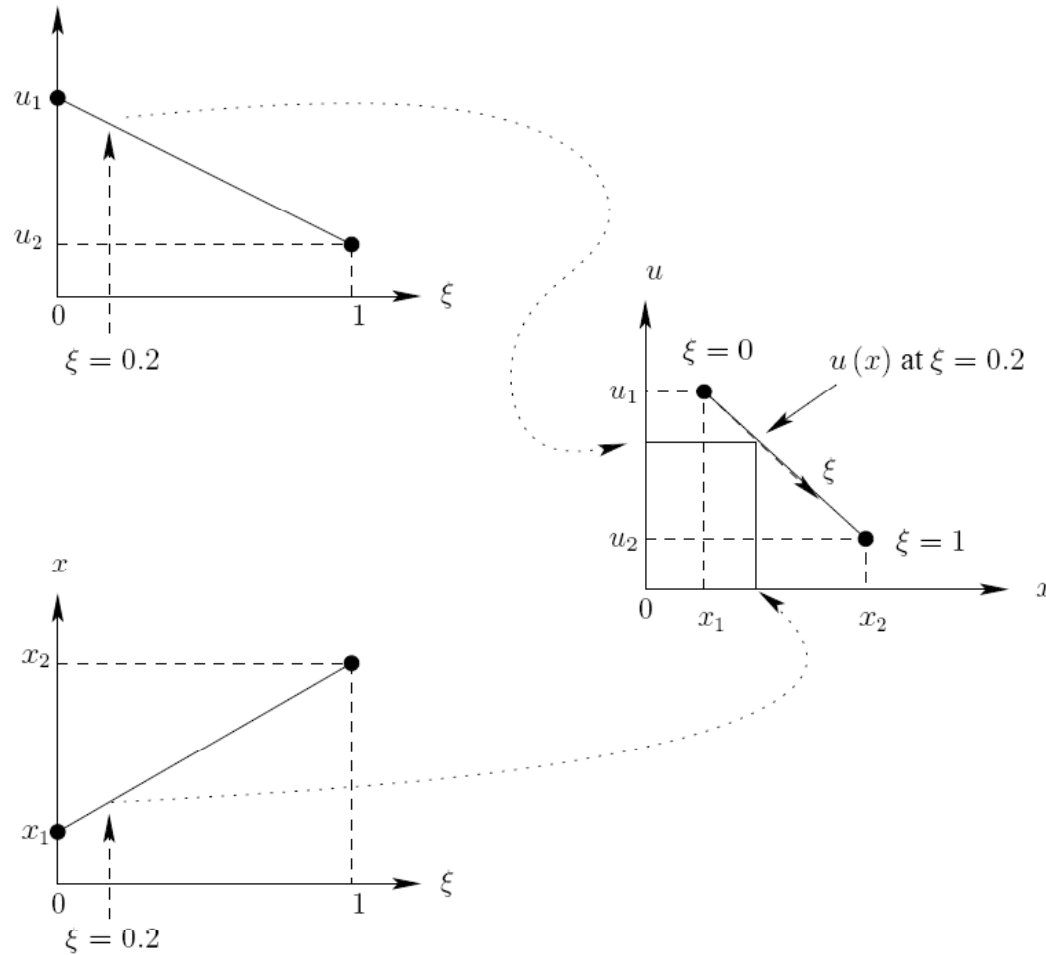
$$\psi_2(\xi) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad \xi = 0 \quad \rightarrow c = 0$$

$$\psi_2(\xi) = 1 \quad \text{at} \quad \xi = 1 \quad \rightarrow d = 1 \quad \rightarrow \psi_2(\xi) = \xi$$

Interpolating spatial co-ordinates

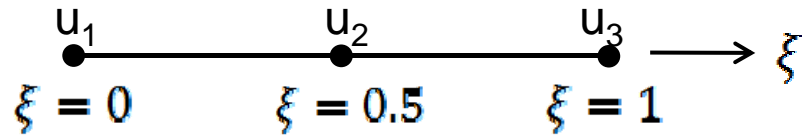
$$x(\xi) = \psi_n(\xi)x_n$$

$$u(\xi) = \psi_n(\xi)u_n$$

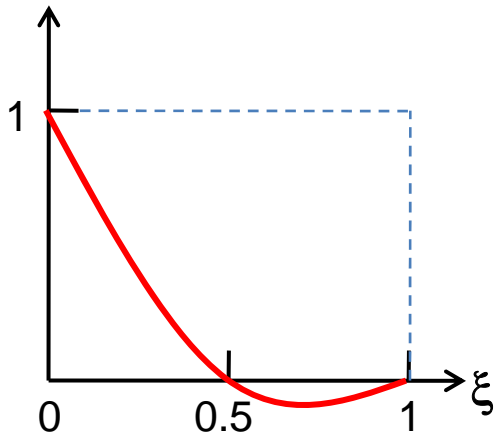


Quadratic basis functions

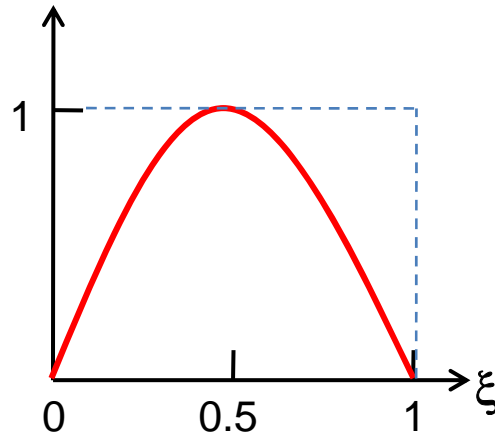
3 nodes and 3 basis functions per element



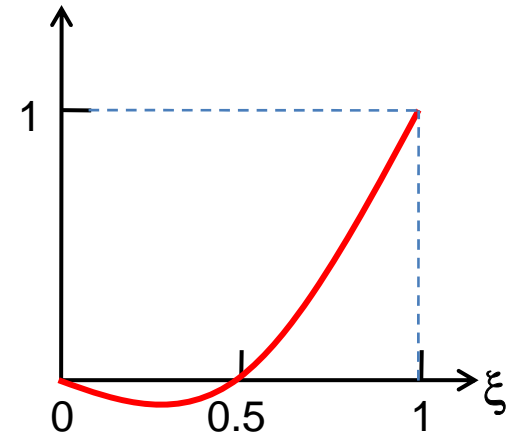
$$u(\xi) = \psi_1(\xi)u_1 + \psi_2(\xi)u_2 + \psi_3(\xi)u_3$$



$$\psi_1(\xi) = 2(\xi - 1)(\xi - 0.5)$$



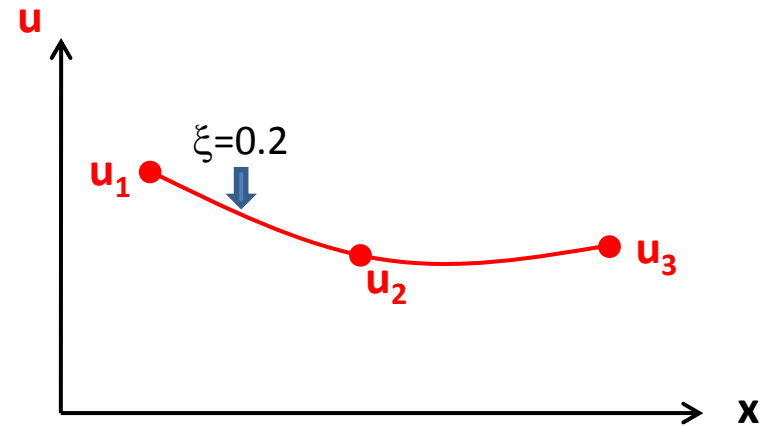
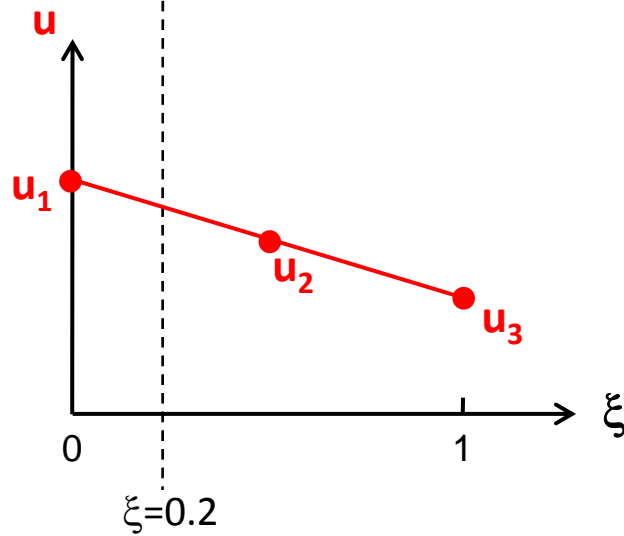
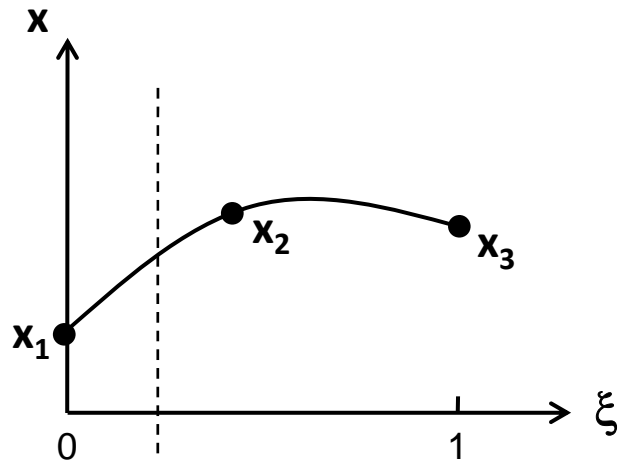
$$\psi_2(\xi) = -4\xi(\xi - 1)$$



$$\psi_3(\xi) = 2\xi(\xi - 0.5)$$

u-x- ξ mappings

Consider quadratic element with $x(\xi) = \psi_n(\xi)x_n$ and $u(\xi) = \psi_n(\xi)u_n$



Bilinear basis functions

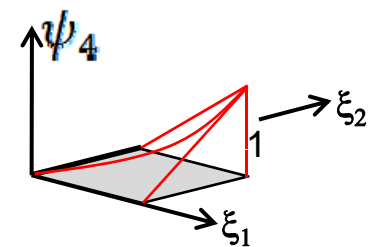
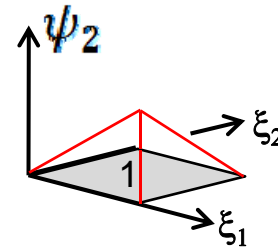
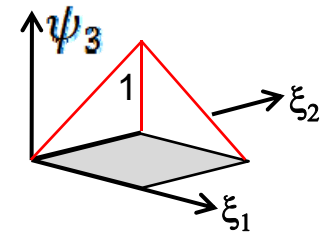
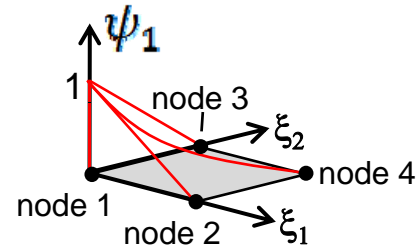
$$u(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \psi_1(\xi_1, \xi_2)u_1 + \psi_2(\xi_1, \xi_2)u_2 + \psi_3(\xi_1, \xi_2)u_3 + \psi_4(\xi_1, \xi_2)u_4 = \sum_{n=1,4} \psi_n(\xi_1, \xi_2)u_n$$

$$\psi_1(\xi_1, \xi_2) = (1 - \xi_1)(1 - \xi_2)$$

$$\psi_2(\xi_1, \xi_2) = (\xi_1)(1 - \xi_2)$$

$$\psi_3(\xi_1, \xi_2) = (1 - \xi_1)(\xi_2)$$

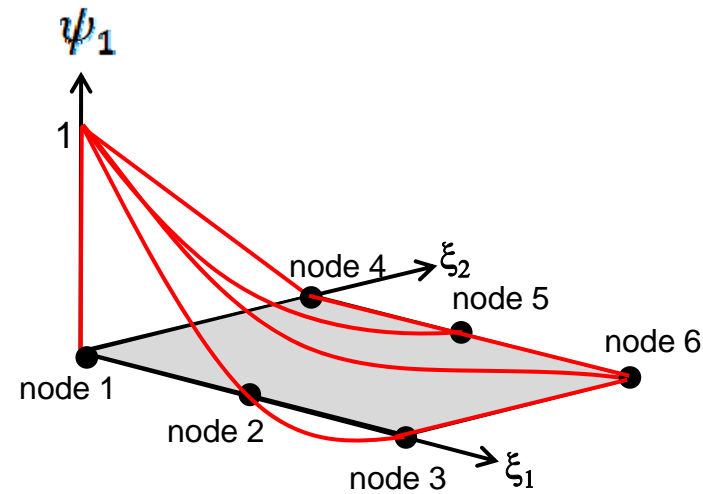
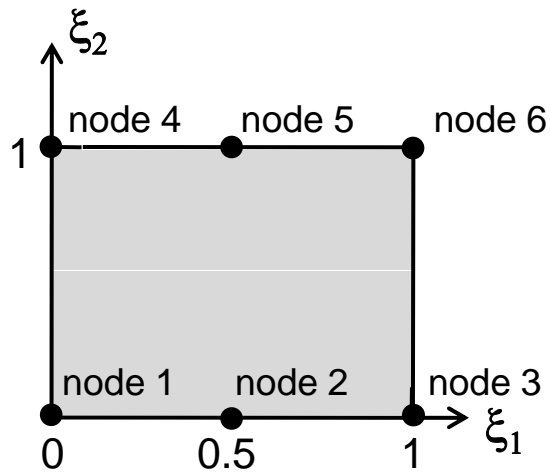
$$\psi_4(\xi_1, \xi_2) = (\xi_1)(\xi_2)$$



Note: node numbering important!

Quadratic-linear basis functions

$$u(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \sum_{n=1,6} \psi_n(\xi_1, \xi_2) u_n$$



$$\psi_1(\xi_1, \xi_2) = 2(\xi_1 - 1)(\xi_1 - 0.5)(1 - \xi_2)$$

etc

Trilinear basis functions

$$u(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = \sum_{n=1,8} \psi_n(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) u_n$$

$$\psi_1(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (1 - \xi_1)(1 - \xi_2)(1 - \xi_3)$$

$$\psi_2(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (\xi_1)(1 - \xi_2)(1 - \xi_3)$$

$$\psi_3(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (1 - \xi_1) (\xi_2)(1 - \xi_3)$$

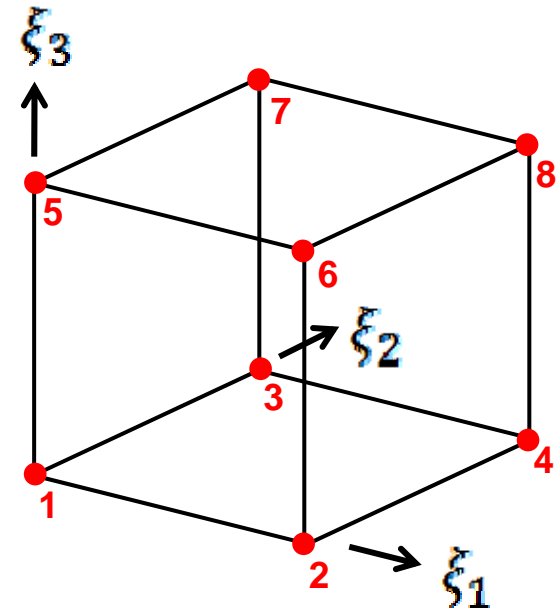
$$\psi_4(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (\xi_1) (\xi_2)(1 - \xi_3)$$

$$\psi_5(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (1 - \xi_1)(1 - \xi_2) (\xi_3)$$

$$\psi_6(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (\xi_1)(1 - \xi_2) (\xi_3)$$

$$\psi_7(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (1 - \xi_1) (\xi_2) (\xi_3)$$

$$\psi_8(\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3) = (\xi_1) (\xi_2) (\xi_3)$$



Simplex basis functions (linear)

$$L_1 = A_1 / A$$

$$L_2 = A_2 / A$$

$$L_3 = A_3 / A$$

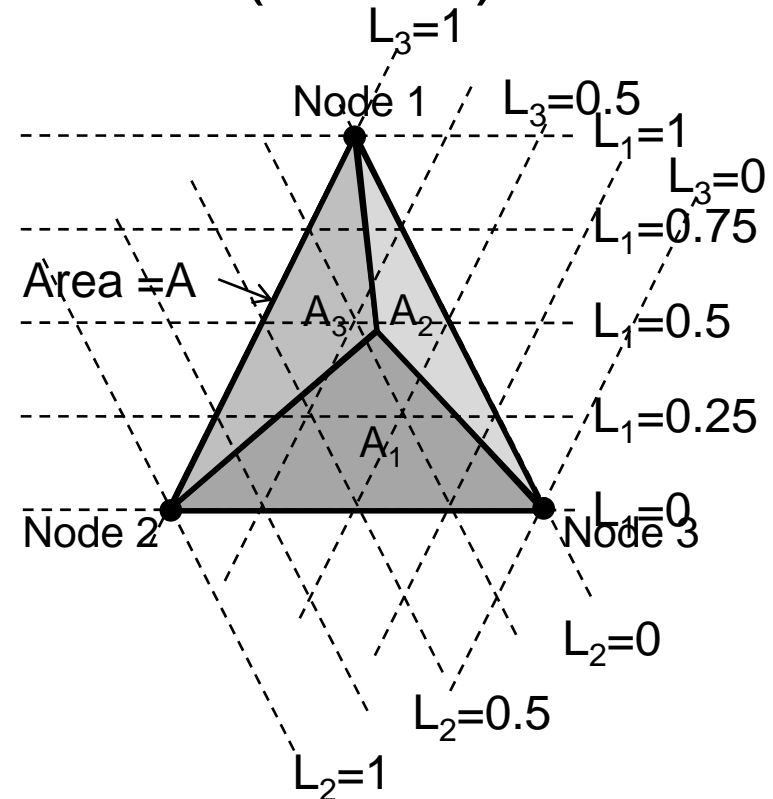
$$L_1 + L_2 + L_3 = 1$$

$$u(L_1, L_2) = \sum_{n=1,3} \psi_n(L_1, L_2) u_n$$

$$\psi_1(L_1, L_2) = L_1$$

$$\psi_2(L_1, L_2) = L_2$$

$$\psi_3(L_1, L_2) = L_3 = 1 - L_1 - L_2$$



Simplex basis functions (quadratic)

$$u(L_1, L_2) = \sum_{n=1,6} \psi_n(L_1, L_2) u_n$$

$$\psi_1(L_1, L_2) = L_1(2L_1 - 1)$$

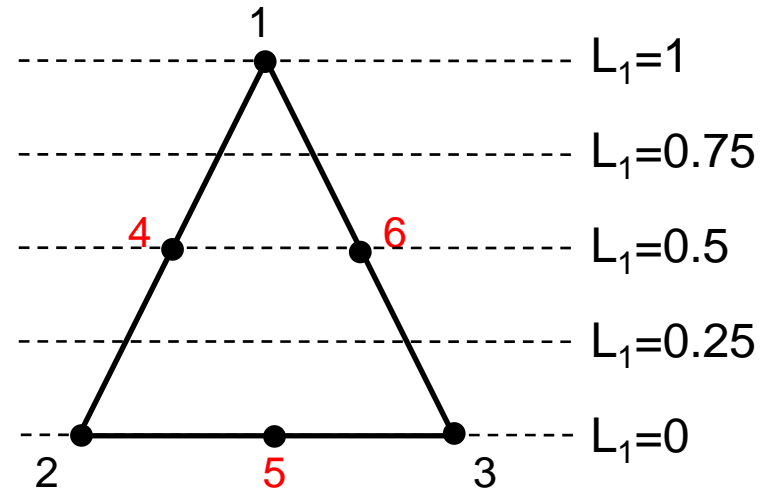
$$\psi_2(L_1, L_2) = L_2(2L_2 - 1)$$

$$\psi_3(L_1, L_2) = L_3(2L_3 - 1)$$

$$\psi_4(L_1, L_2) = 4L_1L_2$$

$$\psi_5(L_1, L_2) = 4L_2L_3$$

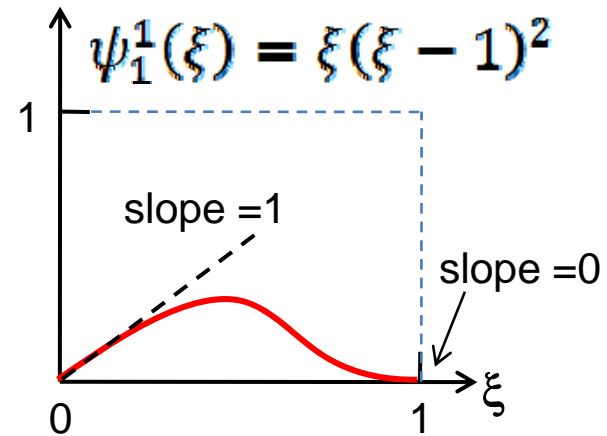
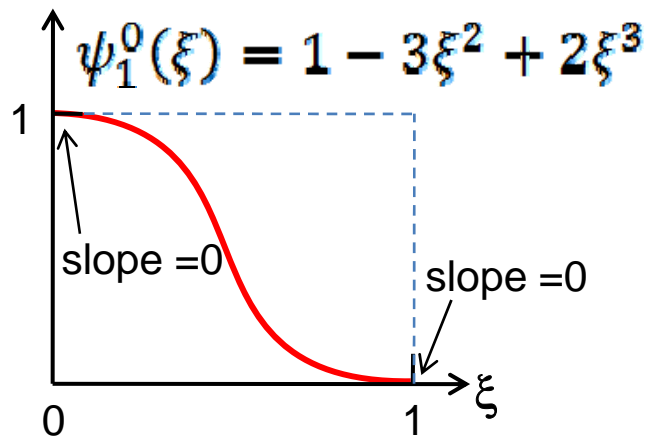
$$\psi_6(L_1, L_2) = 4L_3L_1$$



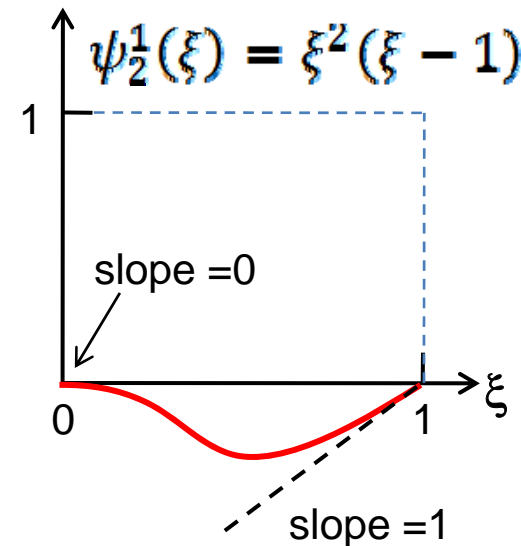
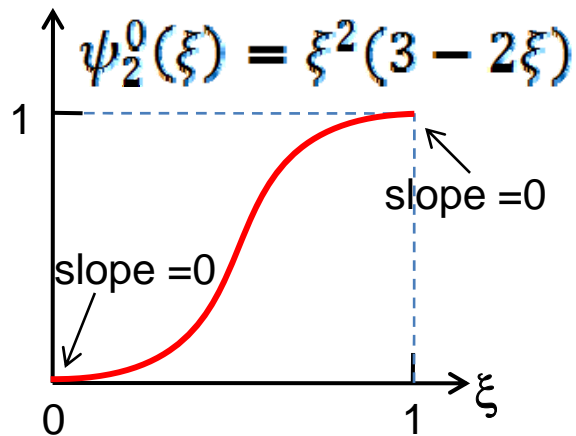
Cubic Hermite basis functions

$$u = \psi_1^0(\xi)u_1 + \psi_1^1(\xi)\left(\frac{du}{d\xi}\right)_1 + \psi_2^0(\xi)u_2 + \psi_2^1(\xi)\left(\frac{du}{d\xi}\right)_2$$

Node 1



Node 2



Hermite basis functions

Scale factors:

store derivatives w.r.t. arc length

need derivatives w.r.t. ξ

2D bi-cubic Hermite scalar (\mathbf{u}): 4 parameters per node
16 parameters per element

2D bi-cubic Hermite geometry in 3D (x,y,z) space:
12 parameters per node
48 parameters per element

Data fitting

$$S = \sum_t W_t \{x_t - x(\xi_t)\}^2$$

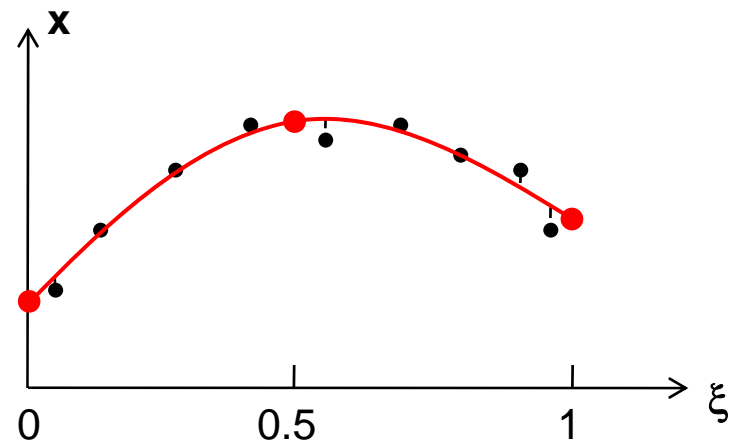
$$x(\xi_t) = \psi_n(\xi_t) x_n$$

$$S = \sum_t W_t \{x_t - \psi_n(\xi_t) x_n\}^2$$

$$\text{For } m = 1 \dots 3 \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial x_m} = 0$$

$$2 \sum_t W_t \{x_t - \psi_n(\xi_t) x_n\} \psi_m(\xi_t) = 0$$

$$\left[\sum_t W_t \psi_m(\xi_t) \psi_n(\xi_t) \right] \cdot x_n = \sum_t W_t \psi_m(\xi_t) x_t$$



Host mesh fitting

Generic mesh

New data set

Choose fiducial points
& calculate residuals

Embed in 'host' mesh

Calculate ξ_i points within host mesh

$x(\xi_i) = \psi_n(\xi_i)x_n$ of host

Solve x_n to minimise residuals

