2. Local basis of $P_2(\hat{K})$. Consider the reference triangle \hat{K} with the vertices (0,0), (1,0), and (0,1). The space of polynomials of degree two is spanned by

1, \hat{x} , \hat{y} , $\hat{x}\hat{y}$, \hat{x}^2 , \hat{y}^2 .

Use as functionals the values of the functions in the vertices and the barycenters of the edges. Compute the local basis with respect to these functionals.

Solution:

Denote the basis given in the problem by $\{p_k\}, k = 1, \dots 6$. For transforming this basis, one uses the ansatz

$$\phi_{\widehat{K},j} = \sum_{k=1}^{6} c_{jk} p_k \quad j = 1, \dots, 6.$$

From the condition for the local basis, one gets

$$\Phi_{\widehat{K},i}(\phi_{\widehat{K},j}) = \delta_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{6} c_{jk} \, \Phi_{\widehat{K},i}(p_k) \quad i,j = 1,\dots 6.$$
(5.1)

The functions of $P_2(\hat{K})$ are the values in the nodes $A_1 = (0,0)$, $A_2 = (1/2,0)$, $A_3 = (1,0)$, $A_4 = (0,1/2)$, $A_5 = (1/2,1/2)$, and $A_6 = (0,1)$. With this numbering, equation (5.1) leads to a linear system of equations whose matrix can be computed by evaluating $\Phi_{\hat{K},i}(p_k)$, where the *i*-th row corresponds to the *i*-th functional and the *k*-th column to the *k*-th basis function (not vanishing at the *k*-th node)

$$\Phi_{\widehat{K},i}(p_k) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

One obtains, for j = 1, i.e., for the node A_1 ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{11} \\ c_{12} \\ c_{13} \\ c_{14} \\ c_{15} \\ c_{16} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies c_{1j} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -3 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

For the linear systems of equations for the other nodes, one gets

$$c_{2j} = (0, 4, 0, -4, -4, 0)^{T},$$

$$c_{3j} = (0, -1, 0, 0, 2, 0)^{T},$$

$$c_{4j} = (0, 0, 4, -4, 0, -4)^{T},$$

$$c_{5j} = (0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0)^{T},$$

$$c_{6j} = (0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 2)^{T}.$$

Collecting the results, one finds that the local basis has the form

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5 Finite Element Methods

$$\begin{split} \phi_{\hat{K},1} &= 1 - 3\hat{x} - 3\hat{y} + 4\hat{x}\hat{y} + 2\hat{x}^2 + 2\hat{y}^2, \\ \phi_{\hat{K},2} &= 4\hat{x} - 4\hat{x}\hat{y} - 4\hat{x}^2, \\ \phi_{\hat{K},3} &= -\hat{x} + 2\hat{x}^2, \\ \phi_{\hat{K},4} &= 4\hat{y} - 4\hat{x}\hat{y} - 4\hat{y}^2, \\ \phi_{\hat{K},5} &= 4\hat{x}\hat{y}, \\ \phi_{\hat{K},6} &= -\hat{y} + 2\hat{y}^2. \end{split}$$

3. Local basis of $Q_1^{\rm rot}(\hat{K})$. Consider the reference square $\hat{K} = [-1,1]^2$ and the space that is spanned by the functions

$$1, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{x}^2 - \hat{y}^2.$$

Let the integral mean values on the edges E_i , i = 1, ..., 4, of \hat{K} be the functionals of the finite element

$$\Phi(v) = \frac{1}{\operatorname{meas}(E_i)} \int_{E_i} v(s) \, ds \quad i = 1, \dots, 4.$$

Compute the local basis with respect to these functionals.

Solution:

The way to solve this problem is analogous to the solution of Problem 2. Numerate the the edges as follows: E_1 at y = -1, E_2 at x = 1, E_3 at y = 1, and E_4 at x = -1. The matrix for the linear systems of equations is given by

$$\varPhi_{\widehat{K},i}(p_k) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}$$

The solutions are

$$c_{1j} = \left(\frac{1}{4}, 0, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{8}\right)^{T},$$

$$c_{2j} = \left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{3}{8}\right)^{T},$$

$$c_{3j} = \left(\frac{1}{4}, 0, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{8}\right)^{T},$$

$$c_{4j} = \left(\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{3}{8}\right)^{T},$$

and the local basis has the form

$$\begin{split} \phi_{\widehat{K},1} &= \frac{1}{8} \left(2 - 4 \widehat{y} - 3 \widehat{x}^2 + 3 \widehat{y}^2 \right), \\ \phi_{\widehat{K},2} &= \frac{1}{8} \left(2 + 4 \widehat{x} + 3 \widehat{x}^2 - 3 \widehat{y}^2 \right), \\ \phi_{\widehat{K},3} &= \frac{1}{8} \left(2 + 4 \widehat{y} - 3 \widehat{x}^2 + 3 \widehat{y}^2 \right), \\ \phi_{\widehat{K},4} &= \frac{1}{8} \left(2 - 4 \widehat{x} + 3 \widehat{x}^2 - 3 \widehat{y}^2 \right). \end{split}$$

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