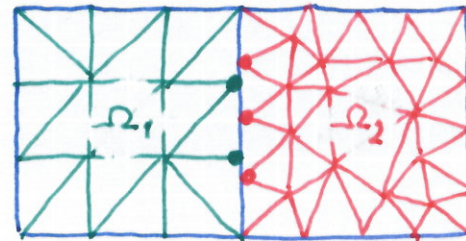
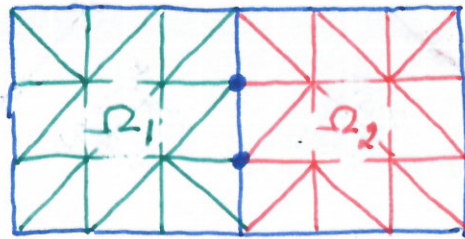


# Mortar FEM



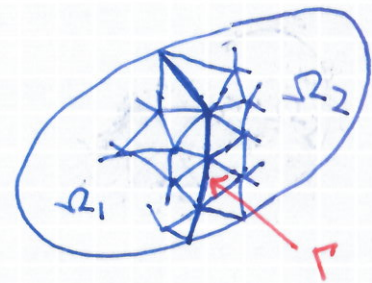
Variational problem:

$$\text{Find } u \in H_0^1: \quad a(u, v) = f(v) \quad \forall v \in H_0^1$$

Discrete formulation (standard)

$\mathcal{T}_h(\Omega)$ : Triangulation

$W^h(\Omega)$ : Continuous piecewise linear function space.



matching mesh

$$\text{Find } u \in W^h: \quad a(u, v) = f(v) \quad \forall v \in W^h$$

$u \in W^h$  is continuous, even across the interface as long as the triangulation is matching along  $\Gamma$ .

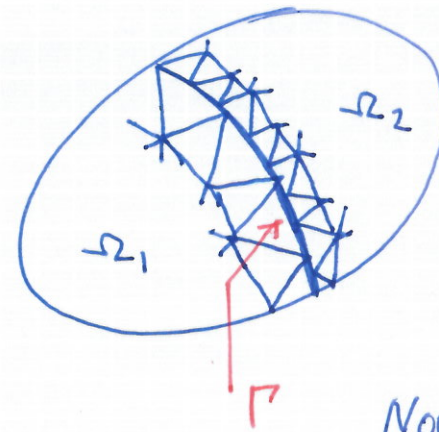
$$\text{System:} \quad A_w u_w = f_w$$

For each  $\Omega_i$  (Locally)

$\mathcal{T}_h(\Omega_i)$  : Triangulation

$X^h(\Omega_i)$  : continuous  
piecewise linear  
function space

$h_i$  : mesh size



Non matching mesh

Product space  $X^h = \prod_i X^h(\Omega_i)$ ,  $u \in X^h$  is discontinuous  
across  $\Gamma$ .

Mortar discretization :

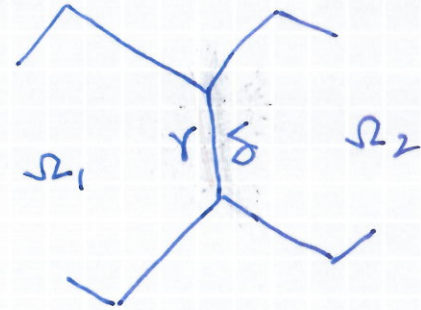
Replace pointwise continuity with a weak continuity

So that we still have the same error estimate  
as in the matching mesh case.

Bernardi-Madaya-Patera  
(1994)

For each  $\Gamma$ ,

- Identify master and slave side,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$
- Define Lagrange multiplier space  $L^h(\delta)$  associated with  $X^h(\delta)$ .



- We say  $u \in X^h$  satisfy mortar condition  
if

$$\int_{\Gamma} u_{\gamma} \xi \, ds = \int_{\Gamma} u_{\delta} \xi \, ds \quad \xi \in L^h$$

$\gamma$ : master side  
 $\delta$ : slave side  
 $\Gamma = \gamma = \delta$

Define  $V^h = \{ u \in X^h : u \text{ satisfies mortar condition} \}$

Mortar discrete problem:

$$\text{Find } u_h \in V^h : \quad a(u_h, v) = f(v) \quad \forall v \in V^h.$$

Find  $u_h \in V^h$  :  $a(u_h, v) = f(v) \quad \forall v \in V^h$

$V^h \not\subset H_0^1$  non conforming

$V^h$  : Hilbert space with inner prod.  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$

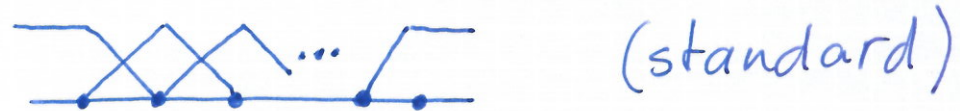
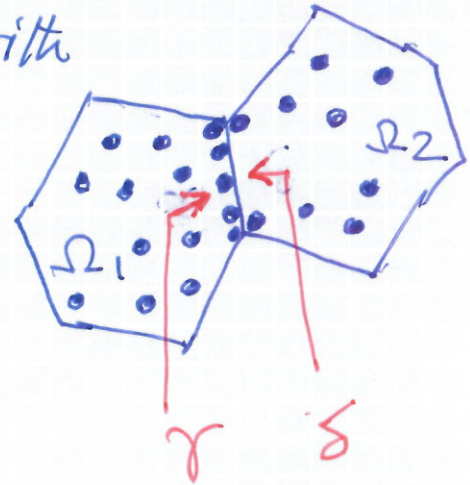
Error estimate :

$$\|u - u_h\|_{H_h^1(\Omega)}^2 \leq c \sum_{i=1}^N h_i^2 |u|_{H^2(\Omega_i)}^2$$

$\|\cdot\|_{H_h^1}$  : broken seminorm

## Mortar discrete problem :

- Unique solution, and same error estimate as in the conforming discretization.
- Each basis function of  $V^h$  is associated with
  - a node interior to a subdomain
  - a node on the master side
  - a subdomain vertex (multiple values)
- Lagrange multiplier space  $L^h$

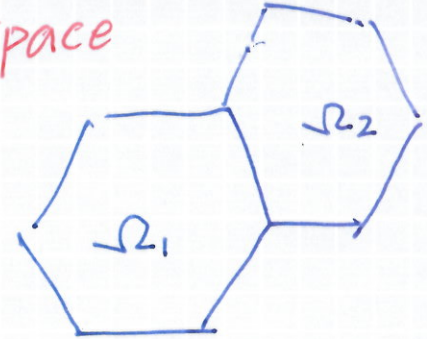


$$L^h(\mathcal{S}) = \left\{ \xi \in X^h(\mathcal{S}) : \xi \text{ is constant on the element touching } \partial\mathcal{S} \right\}$$

On  $X^h$

$$X^h = \prod_i X^h(\Omega_i)$$

← unconstrained space



Stiffness matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A^{(1)} & & & \\ & A^{(2)} & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & A^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

Rhs :

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} f^{(1)} \\ f^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ f^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u^{(1)} \\ u^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ u^{(n)} \end{pmatrix}$$

How do we get from  $A$  to  $A_v$  on  $V^h$  ←

Constrained space

# Matrix formulation

Mortar condition:

$$M u_r = S u_s + C u_c$$

Let  $u_r = \begin{pmatrix} u_r \\ u_s \\ u_c \end{pmatrix}$

← master  
← slave  
← corner

whereby,

$$u_r = S^{-1}(M u_r - C u_c)$$

slave values determined by mortar + corner values.

Define  $Q = \{Q_r, I\}$ :

$$u_s = Q_r \begin{pmatrix} u_r \\ u_c \end{pmatrix}$$

for each  $\Gamma$ ,

$I$  is identity matrix.

Then

$$\underbrace{Q^T A Q}_{A_v} u_v = \underbrace{Q^T f}_{f_v}$$

or

$$A_v u_v = f_v$$



## CR - mortar FE (Approximate version)

Assumption on  $I_\gamma$ :

①  $I_\gamma \phi_k|_\gamma = 0$  for any basis function  $\phi_k$  inside a subdomain.

②  $I_\gamma p = p$  for any linear function  $p$

③ For any  $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_h(\gamma)$  and  $\text{dist}(\tau, c_k) \sim \mathcal{O}(h)$

$$\|I_\gamma u\|_{L^\infty} \leq \max_{c_k} |u(c_k)|$$

④  $\int_\tau I_\gamma u = \int_\tau u$ , for  $\tau \in \mathcal{T}_h(\gamma)$

