

2. K from energy approaches

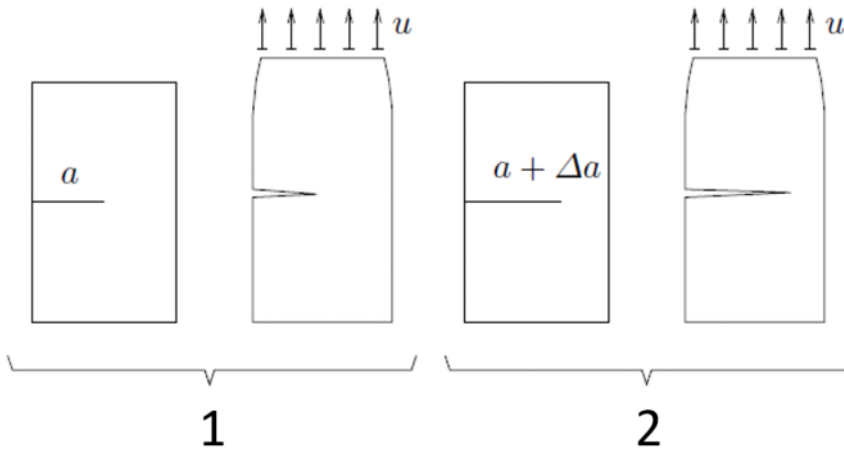
1. Elementary crack advance (two FEM solutions for a and $a + \Delta a$)
2. Virtual Crack Extension: Stiffness derivative approach
3. J-integral based approaches (next section)

After obtaining G (or $J=G$ for LEFM) K can be obtained from

$$K_I^2 = E'G \quad E' = \begin{cases} E & \text{plane stress} \\ \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} & \text{plane strain} \end{cases}$$

2.1 Elementary crack advance

For fixed grip boundary condition perform **two simulations** (1, a) and (2, $a+\Delta a$):
All FEM packages can compute strain (internal) energy U_i



$$G = \frac{d\Pi}{da} = - \frac{d\Pi}{Bda}$$

We can numerically calculate Π

e.g. FEM $\Pi = \frac{1}{2} U^T K U - U^T P$

U : global displacement vector
 P : global force
 K : stiffness matrix

Finite Difference approximation for this
 $\Pi(a+\Delta a) - \Pi(a)$

finite Difference approximation for ...

[K: stiffness matrix

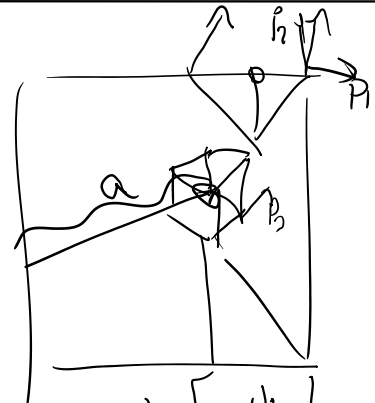
$$G \approx - \left[\frac{\Pi(a+\Delta a) - \Pi(a)}{\Delta a} \right]$$

Disadvantages : 1. $\Delta a \rightarrow 0$ finite precision & cancellation error
 $\Delta a \uparrow$ FD approximation of derivative
 2. Two solutions are needed

2.2 Virtual Crack extension

$$\Pi = U_e - W$$

\leftarrow internal energy \downarrow external work



global stiffness matrix $\Pi = \frac{1}{2} U^t K U - U^t P$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ \vdots \\ P_n \end{bmatrix}$$

vector of global unknowns

$$G = \frac{1}{B} \frac{d\Pi}{da} = \frac{1}{B} \frac{d}{da} \left(\frac{1}{2} U^t K U - U^t P \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{B} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t K U + \frac{1}{2} U^t \frac{dK}{da} U + \frac{1}{2} U^t K \frac{dU}{da} - \left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t P - U^t \frac{dP}{da} \right)$$

transpose of this

$$= \frac{1}{B} \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t K U + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t K^t U + \frac{1}{2} U^t \frac{dK}{da} U - \left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t P - U^t \frac{dP}{da} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{B} \left(\left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t \left\{ \frac{K + K^t}{2} \right\} U + \frac{1}{2} U^t \frac{dK}{da} U - \left(\frac{dU}{da} \right)^t P - U^t \frac{dP}{da} \right)$$

$= K$
 in CFEM K is symmetric

... symmetric

$$= \frac{1}{B} \left[\left(\frac{dG}{da} \right)^T (KU - P) + \frac{1}{2} U^T \frac{dK}{da} U - U^T \frac{dP}{da} \right]$$

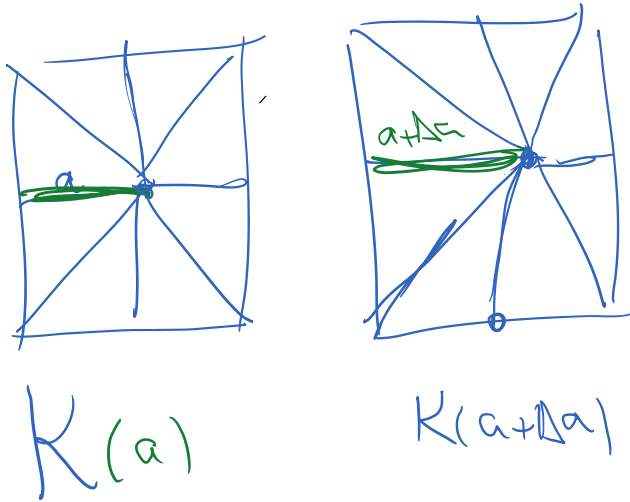
$KU = P \Rightarrow$ provides the solution $KU - P = 0$

$$G = \frac{1}{B} \left(-\frac{1}{2} U^T \frac{dK}{da} U + U^T \frac{dP}{da} \right)$$

this term is often zero
as loads do not depend
on the crack length

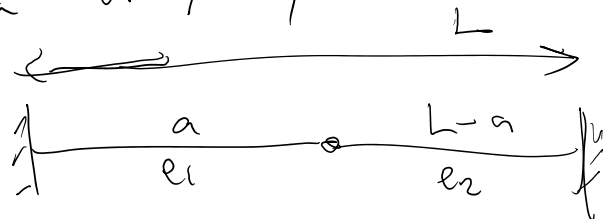
Virtual crack extension

$\frac{dK}{da}$: Approach 1 : Finite Difference



$$\frac{dK}{da} \approx \frac{K(a + \Delta a) - K(a)}{\Delta a}$$

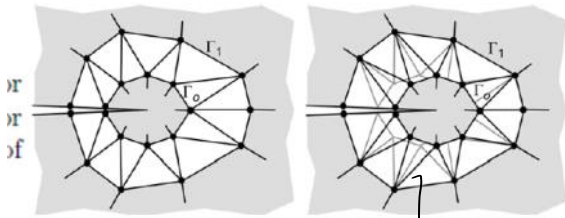
Approach 2: calculate $\frac{dK}{da}$ analytically



$$K_{e1} = \frac{(AE)e_1}{a} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad K_{e2} = \frac{(AE)e_2}{L-a} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assemble these
as done in FEM to
get $\frac{dK}{da}$

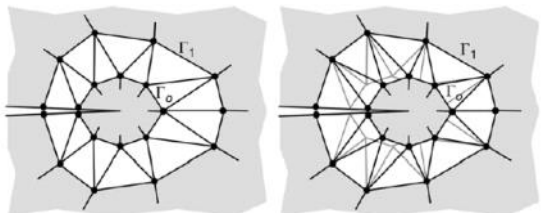
$$\frac{dK_{e1}}{da} = \dots \quad \frac{dK_{e2}}{da} = \dots$$



analytical $\frac{dK}{da}$ of ^{whole} elements $\Rightarrow \int U^t \frac{dK}{da} U$
G

- 1. No further approximation beyond FEM solution.
- 2. Only 1 K evaluated & 1 $U = K^{-1}P$ solution.

- Only the few elements that are distorted contribute to $\frac{\partial K}{\partial a}$
- We may not even need to form elements and assemble K for a and $a + \Delta a$ to obtain $\frac{\partial K}{\partial a}$. We can explicitly obtain $\frac{\partial K^e}{\partial a}$ for elements affected by crack growth by computing derivatives of actual geometry of the element to parent geometry.



- This method is equivalent to J integral method (Park 1974)

2.2 Virtual crack extension: Mixed mode

- For LEFM energy release rates G_1 and G_2 are given by

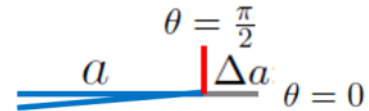
$$J_1 = G_1 = \frac{K_I^2 + K_{II}^2}{E'} + \frac{K_{III}^2}{2\mu}$$

$$J_2 = G_2 = \frac{-2K_I K_{II}}{E'}$$

- Using Virtual crack extension (or elementary crack advance) compute G_1 and G_2 for crack lengths a , $a + \Delta a$

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- Obtain K_I and K_{II} from:

$$K_I = \frac{s \pm \sqrt{s^2 + \frac{8G_2}{\alpha}}}{4}$$

$$K_{II} = \frac{s \mp \sqrt{s^2 + \frac{8G_2}{\alpha}}}{4}$$

Note that there are two sets of solutions!

$$s = 2\sqrt{\frac{G_1 - G_2}{\alpha}} \text{ and } \alpha = \frac{(1+\nu)(1+\kappa)}{E}$$

$G = -\frac{d\Pi}{Bda}$ ✓

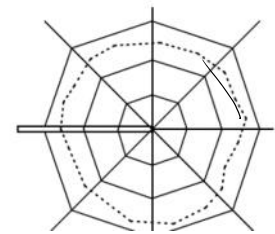
$G = J$ integral, we can numerically calculate the J integral

Methods to evaluate J integral:

- Contour integral:

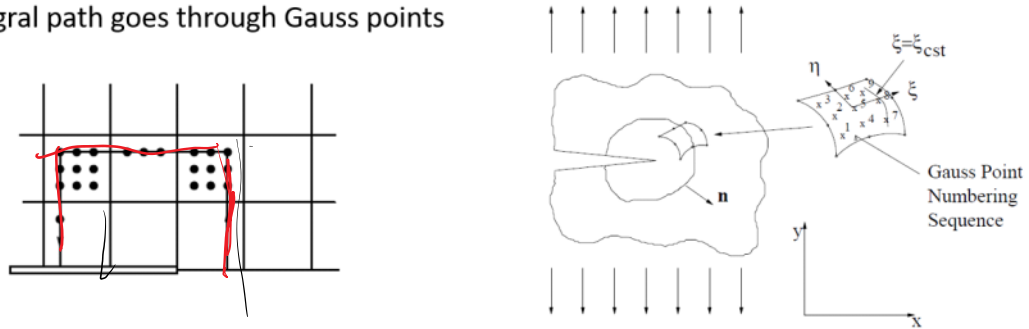
$$J_1 = \int_{\Gamma} \left(w dy - \mathbf{t} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x} d\Gamma \right)$$

$$J_2 = \int_{\Gamma} \left(-w dx - \mathbf{t} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial y} d\Gamma \right)$$



J integral: 1. Contour integral

- Stresses are available and also more accurate at Gauss points
- Integral path goes through Gauss points



$$J = \int_{\Gamma} w dy - \mathbf{t} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{d}}{\partial x} ds \quad \rightarrow \quad J^e = \int_{-1}^1 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left[\sigma_x \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \tau_{xy} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) + \sigma_y \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right]}_w \frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} \right. \\ \left. - \underbrace{\left[(\sigma_x n_1 + \tau_{xy} n_2) \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + (\tau_{xy} n_1 + \sigma_y n_2) \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right]}_{\mathbf{t} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{d}}{\partial x}} \right\} d\eta$$

Cumbersome to formulate the integrand, evaluate normal vector, and integrate over lines (2D) and surfaces (3D)

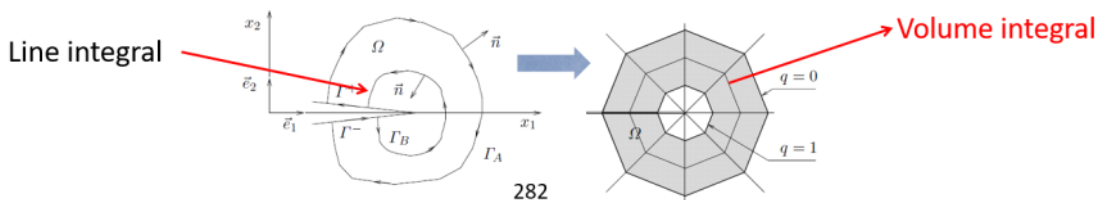
$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial x}{\partial \eta} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial \eta} \right)^2} d\eta$$

Not commonly used

$$= \int_{-1}^1 I d\eta \quad 283$$

2. Equivalent (Energy) domain integral (EDI):

- Gauss theorem: line/surface (2D/3D) integral \rightarrow surface/volume integral
- Much simpler to evaluate computationally
- Easy to incorporate plasticity, crack surface tractions, thermal strains, etc.
- Prevalent method for computing J-integral



Energy release rate calculated from J integral:

1. No body force
2. No inertia effect, (acceleration is zero)
3. Nonlinear elasticity and no plastic unloading
4. Homogeneity
5. No thermal strain
6. Traction free crack surfaces

A new version of the J integral addresses all these issues:

General form of J integral

$$w = \int_{\mathcal{E}_{ij}^m} \sigma_{ij} d\mathcal{E}_{ij}^m$$

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$J = \lim_{\Gamma_0 \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_0} \left[(w + T) \delta_{li} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_1} \right] n_i d\Gamma$

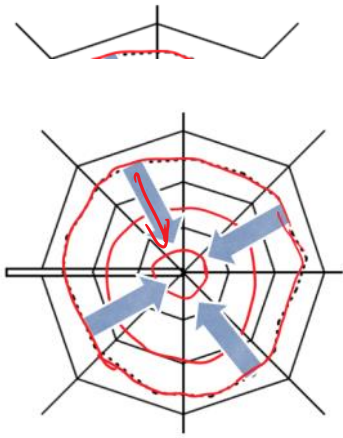
$w = \int_0^{\epsilon_{ij}^m} \sigma_{ij} d\epsilon_{ij}^m$

Inelastic stress (points to $(w + T)$)
Kinetic energy density (points to T)
 $T = \frac{1}{2\rho} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t}$

Can include (visco-) plasticity, and thermal stresses
 $\epsilon_{ij}^{total} = \epsilon_{ij}^e + \epsilon_{ij}^p + \alpha \Theta \delta_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij}^m + \epsilon_{ij}^t$

Elastic (points to ϵ_{ij}^e)
 Plastic (points to ϵ_{ij}^p)
 Thermal (Θ temperature) (points to $\alpha \Theta \delta_{ij}$)

addresses #2
addresses #3
addresses #5



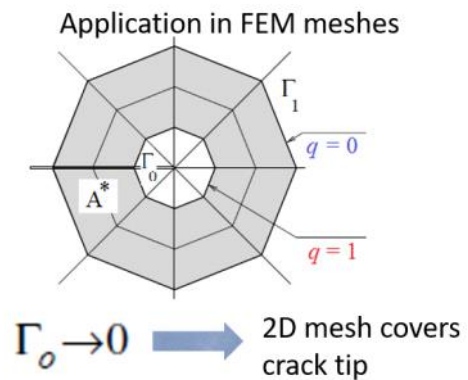
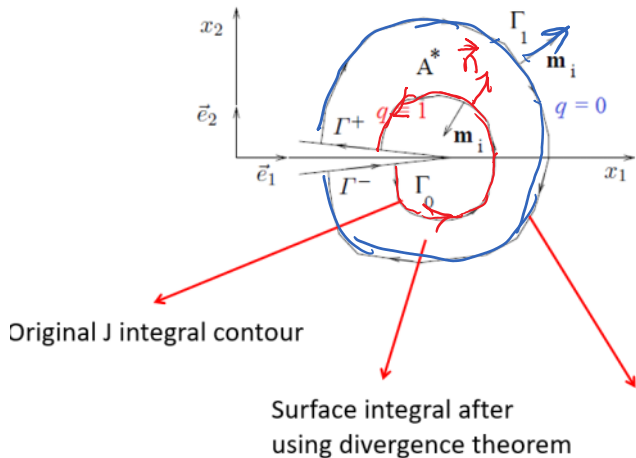
we need $\Gamma_0 \rightarrow 0$ to add address #2,3,5

$\Gamma_0 \rightarrow 0$: J contour approaches Crack tip (CT) \Rightarrow

Accuracy of the solution deteriorates at CT \Rightarrow

Inaccurate/Impractical evaluation of J using contour integral as $\Gamma_0 \rightarrow 0$ because numerical results are very bad around the crack tip

Divergence theorem: Line/Surface (2D/3D) integrals



Surface integral after using divergence theorem

$$J = \int_{\Gamma_0} \left[(w+T) \delta_{il} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] n_l q \, d\Gamma$$

↳ we can add this as on

↳ we chose the function $q=1$

$$-J =$$

$$\int_{\Gamma_0} \left[(w+T) \delta_{il} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

$$+ \int_{\Gamma_0} \left[(w+T) \delta_{il} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

this is zero

$$+ \int_{\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1} \left[(w+T) \delta_{il} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

$\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1 \downarrow 0$

$$+ \int_{\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1} \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

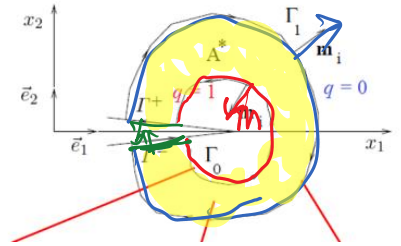
$$-J = \int_{\partial A^*} \left[(w+T) \delta_{il} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

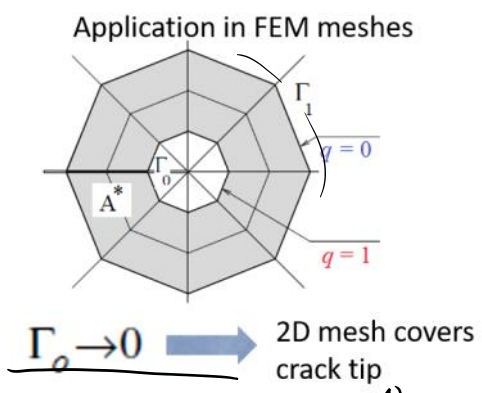
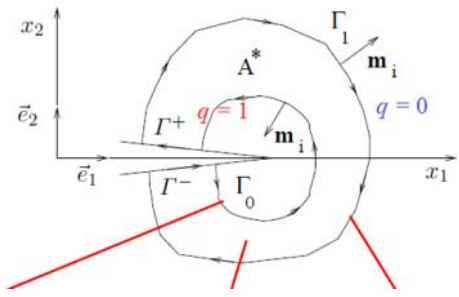
$$+ \int_{\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1} \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

apply the Gauss theorem

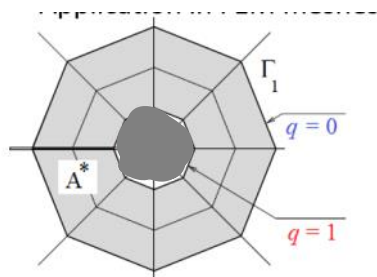
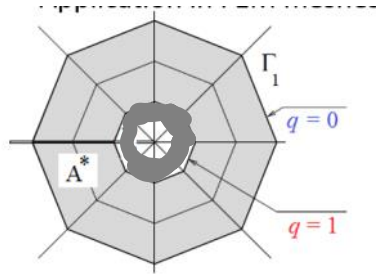
$$-J = \int_{\partial A^*} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[\left[(w+T) \delta_{il} - \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right] q \right] dA + \int_{\Gamma_0 \cup \Gamma_1} \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} m_l q \, d\Gamma$$

take the limit





we cover the whole area!



limit of $\Gamma_0 \rightarrow 0$ covers the whole area

$$J = \int_{A^*} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left\{ \left[\sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_1} - w \delta_{li} \right] q \right\} dA - \int_{\Gamma_+ + \Gamma_-} \sigma_{2j} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_1} q d\Gamma$$

J integral: 2. EDI

General form of J

$$J = \int_{A^*} \left\{ \left[\sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_1} - w \delta_{li} \right] \frac{\partial q}{\partial x_i} + \left[\sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial \epsilon_{ij}^p}{\partial x_1} - \frac{\partial w^p}{\partial x_1} + \alpha \sigma_{ik} \frac{\partial \Theta}{\partial x_1} - F_i \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_1} \right] q \right\} dA - \int_{\Gamma_+ + \Gamma_-} \sigma_{2j} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_1} q d\Gamma$$

Plasticity effects Thermal effects Body force Nonzero crack surface traction
from these terms are zero

Simplified case:
 Nonlinear (elastic), no thermal strain, no body force (F),
 and traction free surfaces

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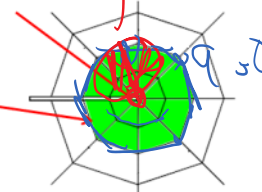
(Nonlinear) elastic, no thermal strain, no body force, traction free crack surfaces

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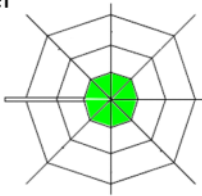
= 0 in first layer around the crack / we don't need to worry about band splitting there

J integral: 2. EDI FEM Aspects

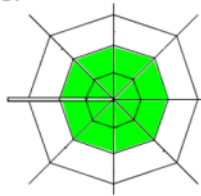
- Since $J_0 \rightarrow 0$ the inner J_0 collapses to the crack tip (CT)
- J_1 will be formed by element edges
- By using **spider web (rozet) meshes** any reasonable number of layers can be used to compute J:



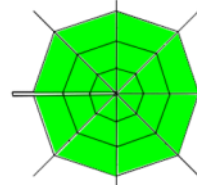
1 layer



2 layer

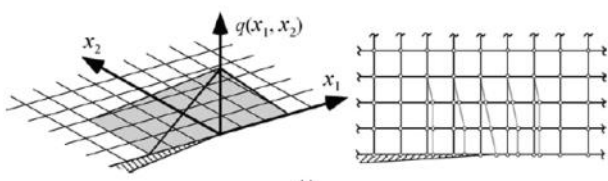


3 layer

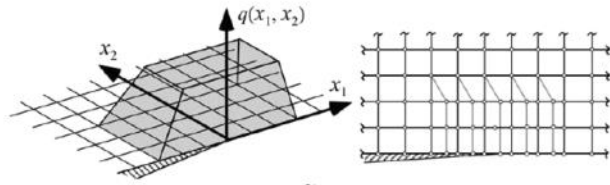


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- Shape of decreasing function q :

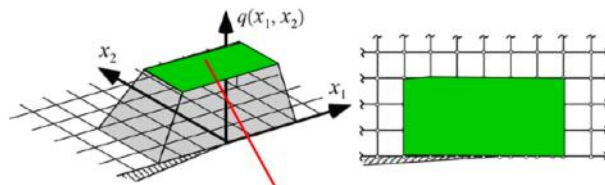


Pyramid q function



Plateau q function

- Plateau q function useful when inner elements are not very accurate:
e.g. when singular/quarter point elements are not used



$$J = \int_{A^*} \left[\sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} - w \delta_{li} \right] \frac{\partial q}{\partial x_i} dA$$

$\frac{\partial q}{\partial x_i} = 0$ These elements do not contribute to J