

Deriving Shape Functions for Hexahedron Element by Lagrange Functions and Verified

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Abstract — In this paper, I derived shape functions for hexahedron element by lagrange functions and also I verified two verification conditions for shape functions. First verification condition is sum of all the shape functions is equal to one and second verification condition is each shape function has a value of one at its own node and zero at the other nodes. For computational purpose I used Mathematica 9 Software [2].

Keywords - Hexahedron element, Lagrange functions, Shape functions.

I. INTRODUCTION

Interpolation functions derived using the dependent unknown-not its derivatives-at the nodes i.e., interpolation functions with C^0 continuity are called the Lagrange family of interpolation functions or Shape functions[3].

II. GEOMETRICAL DESCRIPTION

Hexahedron element with eight nodes is shown in figure.1 with axis ξ, η, ζ respectively.

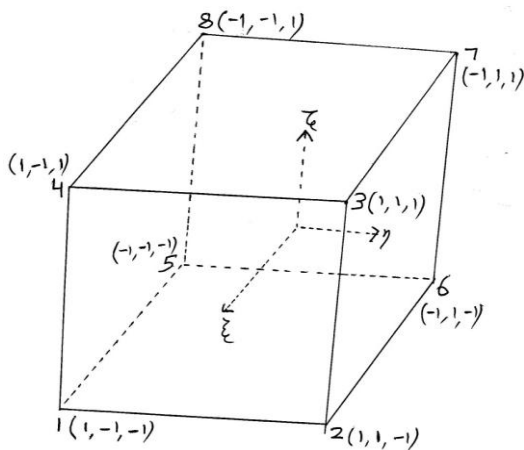


Figure.1 Typical hexahedron element

III. DERIVING SHAPE FUNCTIONS FOR HEXAHEDRON ELEMENT

The typical element is shown in Figure.1

The coordinates for various nodal points are

1(1,-1,-1), 2(1,1,-1), 3(1,1,1), 4(1,-1,1), 5(-1,-1,-1), 6(-1,1,-1), 7(-1,1,1), 8(-1,-1,1)

For the C^0 continuity element in three dimensions

$$N_i = L_i(\xi)L_i(\eta)L_i(\zeta) \quad (1)$$

where L_i refers to Lagrangian function at node i.

In Figure.1 there are 3 nodes in each direction. Hence $n=3$ in Lagrange function.

Lagrange polynomial in three dimension is defined by

$$N_i(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_{For \text{ Node } i, \xi\text{-axis node}})}{(\xi_i - \xi_{For \text{ Node } i, \xi\text{-axis node}})} \cdot \frac{(\eta - \eta_{For \text{ Node } i, \eta\text{-axis node}})}{(\eta_i - \eta_{For \text{ Node } i, \eta\text{-axis node}})} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_{For \text{ Node } i, \zeta\text{-axis node}})}{(\zeta_i - \zeta_{For \text{ Node } i, \zeta\text{-axis node}})} \quad (2)$$

ξ_1, η_1, ζ_1

For Node 1(1,-1,-1)

$i=1$

ξ_5, η_5, ζ_5

ξ - axis Node 5(-1,-1,-1) and

ξ_2, η_2, ζ_2

η - axis Node 2(1,1,-1) and

ξ_4, η_4, ζ_4

ζ - axis Node 4(1,-1,1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_1(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_5)}{(\xi_1 - \xi_5)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - \eta_2)}{(\eta_1 - \eta_2)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_4)}{(\zeta_1 - \zeta_4)} \quad (3)$$

$$N_1(1, -1, -1) = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \Rightarrow N_1 = \frac{(\xi + 1)}{(1 + 1)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{(-2)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{(-2)}$$

$$N_1 = \frac{(\xi + 1)(\eta - 1)(\zeta - 1)}{8} \quad (4)$$

ξ_2, η_2, ζ_2
For Node 2(1,1,-1)

i=2

ξ_6, η_6, ζ_6
 ξ - axis Node 6(-1,1,-1) and
 η_1, ζ_1
 η - axis Node 1(1,-1,-1) and

ξ_3, η_3, ζ_3
 ζ - axis Node 3(1,1,1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_1(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_6)}{(\xi_2 - \xi_6)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - \eta_1)}{(\eta_2 - \eta_1)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_3)}{(\zeta_2 - \zeta_3)}$$

$$N_2(1, 1, -1) = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\eta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \Rightarrow N_2 = \frac{(\xi + 1)}{(1 + 1)} \cdot \frac{(\eta + 1)}{1 + 1} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{(-2)}$$

$$N_2 = \frac{(\xi + 1)(\eta + 1)(\zeta - 1)}{-8} \quad (5)$$

ξ_3, η_3, ζ_3
For Node 3(1,1,1)

i=3

ξ_7, η_7, ζ_7
 ξ - axis Node 7(-1,1,1) and
 η_4, ζ_4

η - axis Node 4(1,-1,1) and

ξ_2, η_2, ζ_2
 ζ - axis Node 2(1,1,-1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_3(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_7)}{(\xi_3 - \xi_7)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - \eta_4)}{(\eta_3 - \eta_4)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_2)}{(\zeta_3 - \zeta_2)}$$

$$N_3(1, 1, 1) = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\eta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \Rightarrow N_3 = \frac{(\xi + 1)}{(1 + 1)} \cdot \frac{(\eta + 1)}{(1 + 1)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta + 1)}{(1 + 1)}$$

$$N_3 = \frac{(\xi + 1)(\eta + 1)(\zeta + 1)}{8} \quad (6)$$

ξ_4, η_4, ζ_4
For Node 4(1,-1,1)

i=4

ξ_8, η_8, ζ_8
 ξ - axis Node 8(-1,-1,1) and
 η_3, ζ_3

η - axis Node 3(1,1,1) and

ξ_1, η_1, ζ_1
 ζ - axis Node 1(1,-1,-1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_4(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_8)}{(\xi_4 - \xi_8)}$$

$$\frac{(\eta - \eta_3)}{(\eta_4 - \eta_3)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_1)}{(\zeta_4 - \zeta_1)}$$

$$N_4(1, -1, -1) = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)}$$

$$\frac{(\zeta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \Rightarrow N_4 = \frac{(\xi + 1)}{(1 + 1)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{(-2)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta + 1)}{(1 + 1)}$$

$$N_4 = \frac{(\xi + 1)(\eta - 1)(\zeta + 1)}{-8} \quad (7)$$

ξ_5, η_5, ζ_5

For Node 5(-1, -1, -1)

i=5

ξ_1, η_1, ζ_1

ξ - axis Node 1(1, -1, -1) and

ξ_6, η_6, ζ_6

η - axis Node 6(-1, 1, -1) and

ξ_8, η_8, ζ_8

ζ - axis Node 8(-1, -1, 1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_5(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_1)}{(\xi_5 - \xi_1)}$$

$$\frac{(\eta - \eta_6)}{(\eta_5 - \eta_6)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_8)}{(\zeta_5 - \zeta_8)}$$

$$N_5(-1, -1, -1) = \frac{(\xi - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)}$$

$$\frac{(\zeta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \Rightarrow N_5 = \frac{(\xi - 1)}{-2} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{-2} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{-2}$$

$$N_5 = \frac{(\xi - 1)(\eta - 1)(\zeta - 1)}{-8} \quad (8)$$

ξ_6, η_6, ζ_6

For Node 6(-1, 1, -1)

i=6

ξ_2, η_2, ζ_2

ξ - axis Node 2(1, 1, -1) and

ξ_5, η_5, ζ_5

η - axis Node 5(-1, -1, -1) and

ξ_7, η_7, ζ_7

ζ - axis Node 7(-1, 1, 1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_6(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_2)}{(\xi_6 - \xi_2)}$$

$$\frac{(\eta - \eta_5)}{(\eta_6 - \eta_5)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_7)}{(\zeta_6 - \zeta_7)}$$

$$N_6(-1, -1, 1) = \frac{(\xi - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \cdot \frac{(\eta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))}$$

$$\frac{(\zeta - 1)}{(-1 - 1)} \Rightarrow N_6 = \frac{(\xi - 1)}{-2} \cdot \frac{(\eta + 1)}{2} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{-2}$$

$$N_6 = \frac{(\xi - 1)(\eta + 1)(\zeta - 1)}{8} \quad (9)$$

ξ_7, η_7, ζ_7

For Node 7(-1, 1, 1)

i=7

ξ_3, η_3, ζ_3

ξ - axis Node 3(1, 1, 1) and

ξ_8, η_8, ζ_8

η - axis Node 8(-1, -1, 1) and

ξ_6, η_6, ζ_6

ζ - axis Node 6(-1, 1, -1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_7(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_3)}{(\xi_7 - \xi_3)}$$

$$\frac{(\eta - \eta_8)}{(\eta_7 - \eta_8)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_6)}{(\zeta_8 - \zeta_6)}$$

$$N_7(-1, 1, -1) = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{(-1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\eta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))}$$

$$\frac{(\zeta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \Rightarrow N_6 = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{-2} \cdot \frac{(\eta + 1)}{2} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - 1)}{2}$$

$$N_7 = \frac{(\xi - 1)(\eta + 1)(\zeta + 1)}{-8} \quad (10)$$

ξ_8, η_8, ζ_8

For Node 8(-1,-1,1)

i=8

ξ_4, η_4, ζ_4

ξ - axis Node 4(1,-1,1) and

ξ_7, η_7, ζ_7

η - axis Node 7(-1,1,1) and

ξ_5, η_5, ζ_5

ζ - axis Node 5(-1,-1,-1)

$$(2) \Rightarrow N_8(\xi, \eta, \zeta) = \frac{(\xi - \xi_4)}{(\xi_8 - \xi_4)}$$

$$\frac{(\eta - \eta_7)}{(\eta_8 - \eta_7)} \cdot \frac{(\zeta - \zeta_5)}{(\zeta_8 - \zeta_5)}$$

$$N_8(-1, 1, 1) = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{(-1 - (-1))} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{(-1 - (-1))}$$

$$\frac{(\zeta - (-1))}{(1 - (-1))} \Rightarrow N_8 = \frac{(\xi - (-1))}{-2} \cdot \frac{(\eta - 1)}{-2} \cdot \frac{(\zeta + 1)}{2}$$

$$N_8 = \frac{(\xi - 1)(\eta - 1)(\zeta + 1)}{8} \quad (11)$$

$N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4, N_5, N_6, N_7, N_8$ are called shape functions

IV. VERIFICATION

(I) 1st Condition

Sum of all the shape functions is equal to one

$$N_1 + N_2 + N_3 + N_4 + N_5 + N_6 + N_7 + N_8 = (5) + (6) + (7) + (8) + (9) + (10) + (11) + (12)$$

Output

$$N_1 + N_2 + N_3 + N_4 + N_5 + N_6 + N_7 + N_8 = 1$$

(II) 2nd Condition

Each shape function has a value of one at its own node and zero at the other nodes.

At Node 1 (1,-1,-1)	At Node 2 (1,1,-1)
$\xi:=1, \eta:=-1, \zeta:=-1$	$\xi:=1, \eta:=1, \zeta:=-1$
N_1	N_1
N_2	N_2
N_3	N_3
N_4	N_4
N_5	N_5
N_6	N_6
N_7	N_7
N_8	N_8
Output	Output
1	0
0	1
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

At Node 3 (1,1,1)	At Node 4 (1,-1,1)
$\xi:=1, \eta:=1, \zeta:=1$	$\xi:=1, \eta:=-1, \zeta:=1$
N_1	N_1
N_2	N_2
N_3	N_3
N_4	N_4
N_5	N_5
N_6	N_6

N_7	N_7
N_8	N_8
Output	Output
0	0
0	0
1	0
0	1
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

N_7	N_4
N_8	N_5
	N_6
Output	N_7
0	N_8
0	
0	
0	
0	Output
0	0
0	0
1	0
0	0
	0
	0
	0
	1

Ar Node 5 (-1,-1,-1)	Ar Node 6 (-1,1,-1)
$\xi:=-1, \eta:=-1, \zeta:=-1$	$\xi:=-1, \eta:=1, \zeta:=-1$
N_1	N_1
N_2	N_2
N_3	N_3
N_4	N_4
N_5	N_5
N_6	N_6
N_7	N_7
N_8	N_8
Output	Output
0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0
1	0
0	0
0	1
0	0
0	0

V. CONCLUSIONS

1. Derived Shape functions for hexahedron element.
2. Verified sum of all the shape functions is equal to one
3. Verified each shape function has a value of one at its own node and zero at the other nodes.

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Ar Node 7 (-1,1,1)	Ar Node 8 (-1,-1,1)
$\xi:=-1, \eta:=1, \zeta:=1$	$\xi:=-1, \eta:=-1, \zeta:=1$
N_1	N_1
N_2	N_2
N_3	N_3
N_4	
N_5	
N_6	