

## Serendipity Elements:

Serendipity Shape function.

Shape functions for nodes only on sides of a (parent) square element are known as serendipity elements.

## (i) Four Noded Serendipity Element.

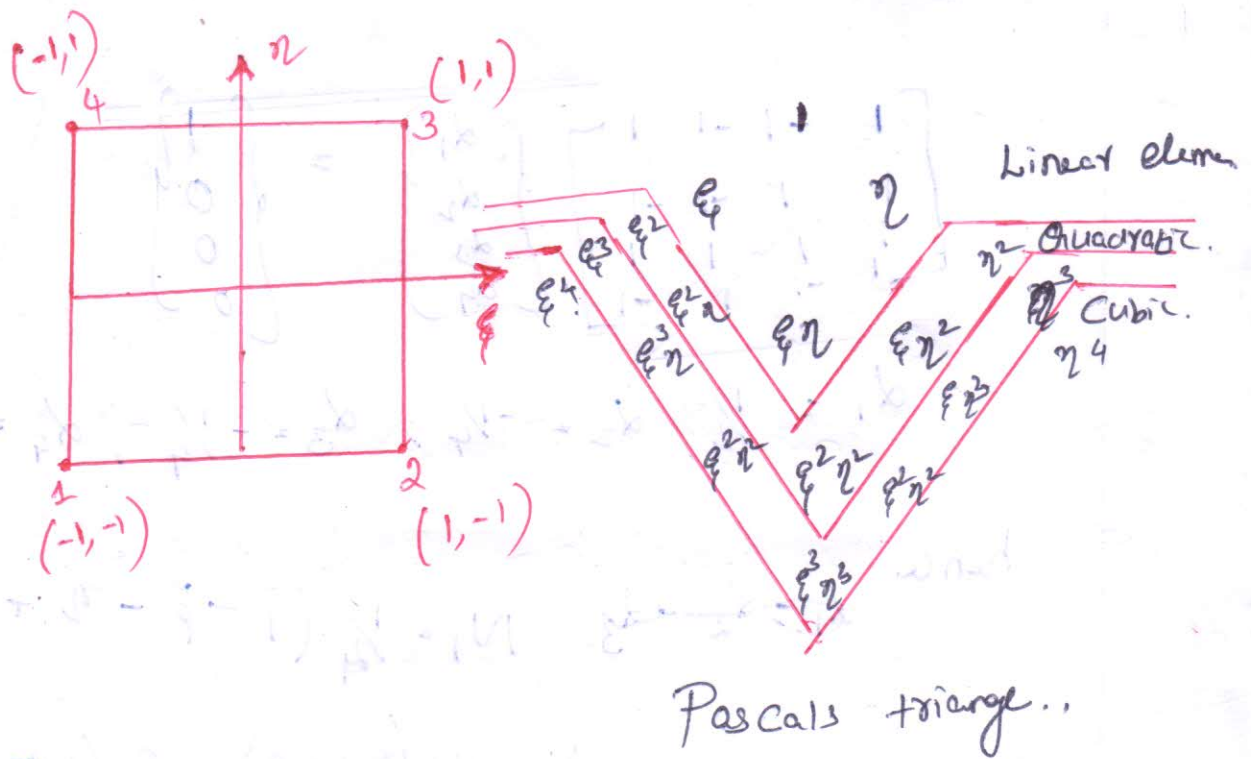


Figure shows four noded square element in the region  $(-1 \leq \xi \leq 1)$  &  $(-1 \leq \eta \leq 1)$

Shape function  $N_1$  has unit value at node 1 ( $\xi = \eta = -1$ ) and zero values at other nodes.

Since, function values are known at four nodes, a polynomial involving four constants is used to express  $N_1$ , lowest order terms in  $\xi$  &  $\eta$  are used thus.

$$N_1 = d_1 + d_2\xi + d_3\eta + d_4\xi\eta.$$

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Substitute the boundary conditions.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \\ d_4 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d_1 = \frac{1}{4}, d_2 = -\frac{1}{4}, d_3 = -\frac{1}{4}, d_4 = \frac{1}{4}$$

hence.

~~$$d_1 = d_2 = d_3 \quad N_1 = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi - \eta + \xi \eta)$$~~

~~$$N_1 = \frac{1}{4} ((1 - \xi) + \eta (1 + \xi))$$~~

$$N_1 = \frac{1}{4} [(1 - \xi) - \eta (1 + \xi)]$$

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Above includes soln for  $4 \times 4$  matrix or (or)

in simple we can use Nodes 2 & 3 are on line  $(1 - \xi) = 0$  and nodes 3 & 4 are on line  $(1 - \eta) = 0$

$$N_1 = C (1 - \xi) (1 - \eta)$$

To get unit value at node 1 ( $\xi = \eta = -1$ )

$$1 = C (1 + 1) (1 + 1)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$N_1 = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi) (1 - \eta)$$

$$N_2 = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \xi)(1 - \eta)$$

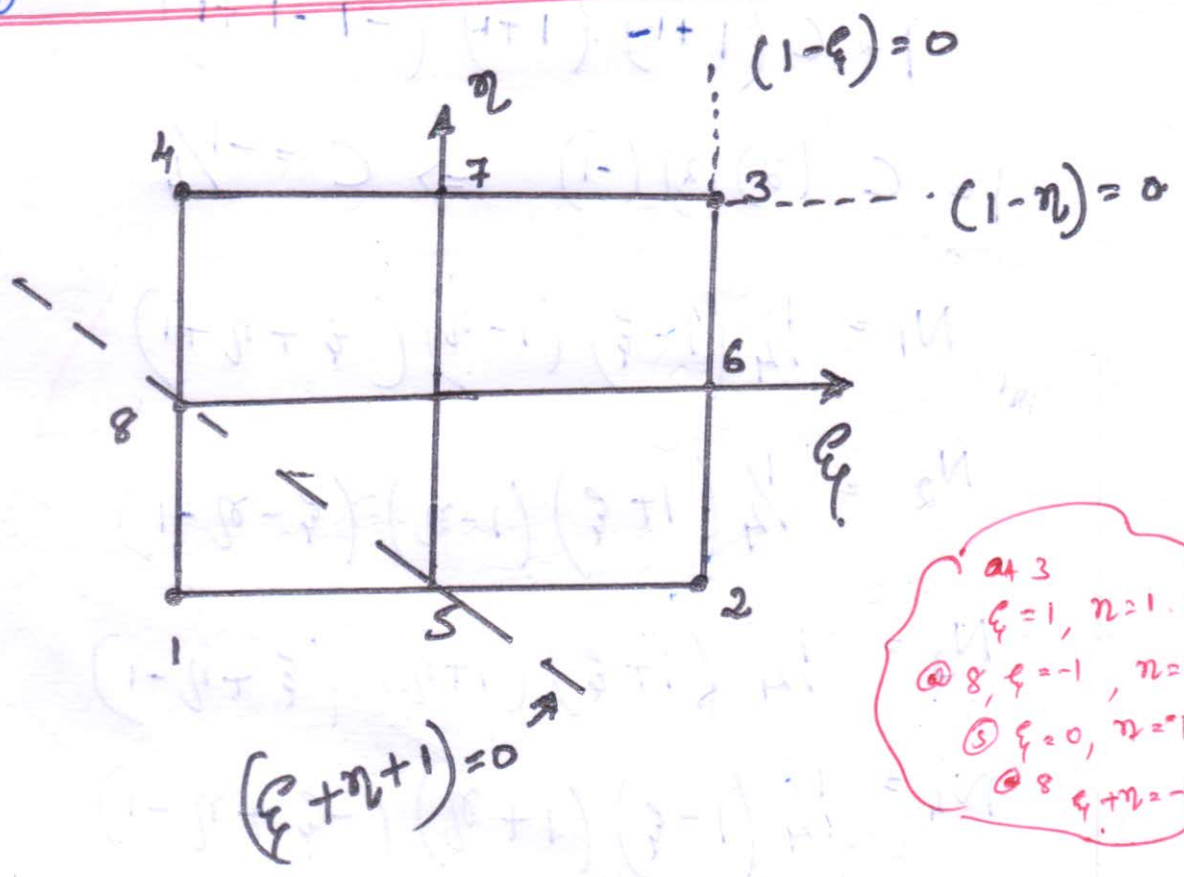
$$N_3 = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \xi)(1 + \eta)$$

$$N_4 = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \xi)(1 + \eta)$$

All Shape functions are written using a concise expression as

$$N_i = \frac{1}{4} (1 + \xi \xi_i) (1 + \eta \eta_i) \quad (\text{for } i = 1 \text{ to } 4)$$

Eight noded serendipity element.



The figure shows a eyes

Nodes Serendipity element. Nodes 2, 6, 3 are on line  $(1-\xi)=0$ , and nodes 4, 7, 3 are on line  $(1-\eta)=0$ .

hence it can be written as

$$N_1 = C(1-\xi)(1-\eta)(\xi+\eta+1)$$

These 3 eqns will give zero val at  $N_1$  at all nodes except at node 1. To get unit.

Value of  $N_1$  at node 1 ( $\xi=\eta=1$ ) we wr.

$$1 = C(1+1)(1+1)(-1-1+1)$$

$$1 = C(2)(2)(-1) \Rightarrow C = -1/4$$

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

$$N_2 = \frac{1}{4}(1+\xi)(1-\eta)(\xi-\eta-1)$$

$$N_3 = \frac{1}{4}(1+\xi)(1+\eta)(\xi+\eta-1)$$

$$N_4 = \frac{1}{4}(1-\xi)(1+\eta)(-\xi+\eta-1)$$

Shape function  $N_6$  has zero value at all nodes except at node 5. This is given by

$$N_5 = c (1-\xi)(1+\xi)(1-\eta)$$

To get unit value of  $N_5$  at node 5 ( $\xi=0, \eta=-1$ )

$$1 = c (1)(1)(2) = 2c \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$N_5 = \frac{1}{2} (1-\xi^2)(1-\eta)$$

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$$N_6 = \frac{1}{2} (1-\eta^2)(1+\xi)$$

$$N_7 = \frac{1}{2} (1-\xi^2)(1+\eta)$$

$$N_8 = \frac{1}{2} (1-\eta^2)(1-\xi)$$

for midside nodes.

$$5+7 \quad N_i = \frac{1}{2} (1-\xi^2)(1+\eta\eta_i)$$

$$6+8 \quad N_i = \frac{1}{2} (1-\eta^2)(1+\xi\xi_i)$$