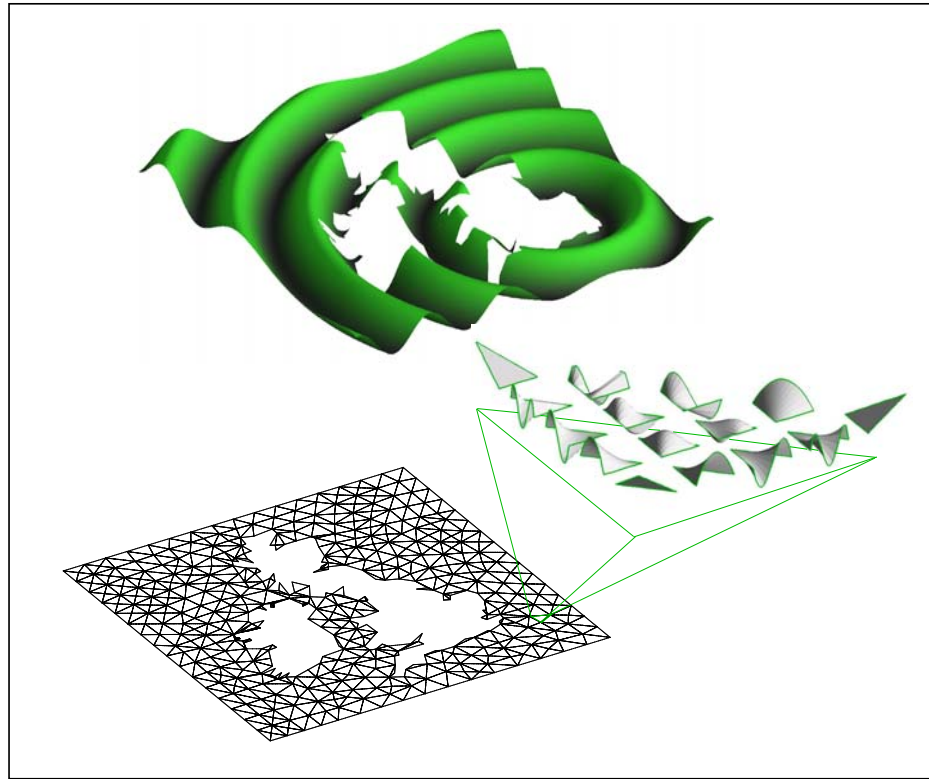
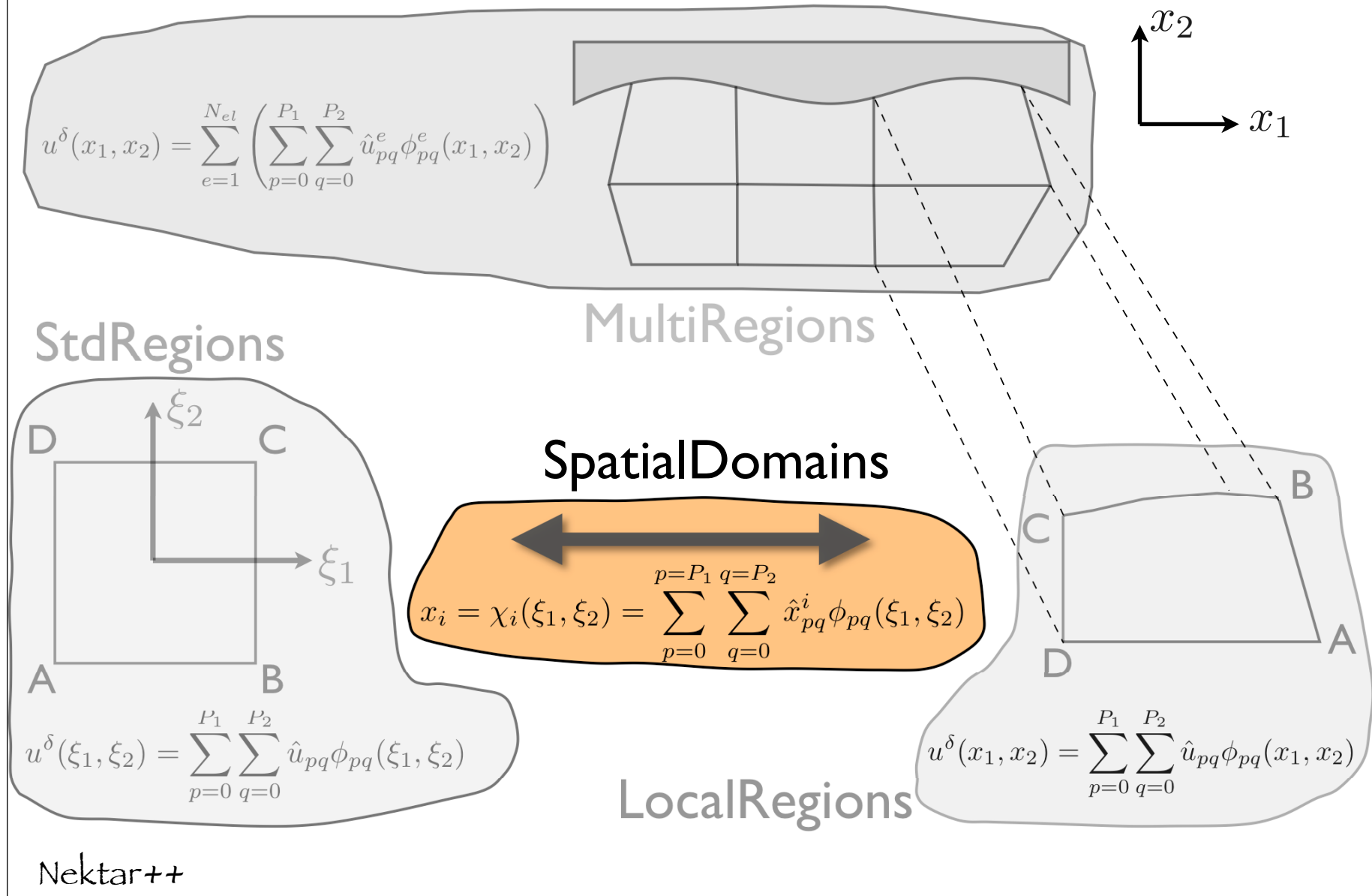


# Spatial Construction of Elements



# The big picture

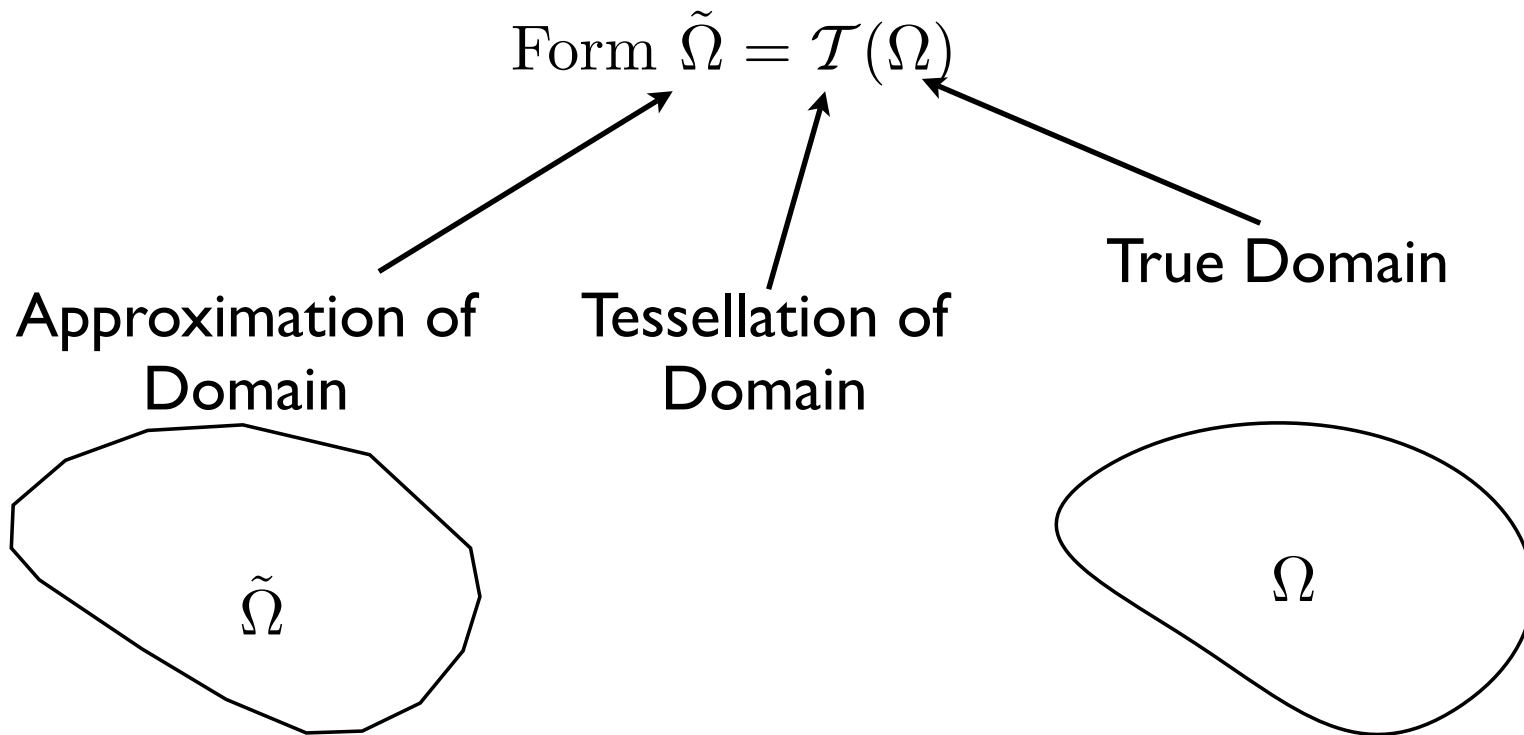


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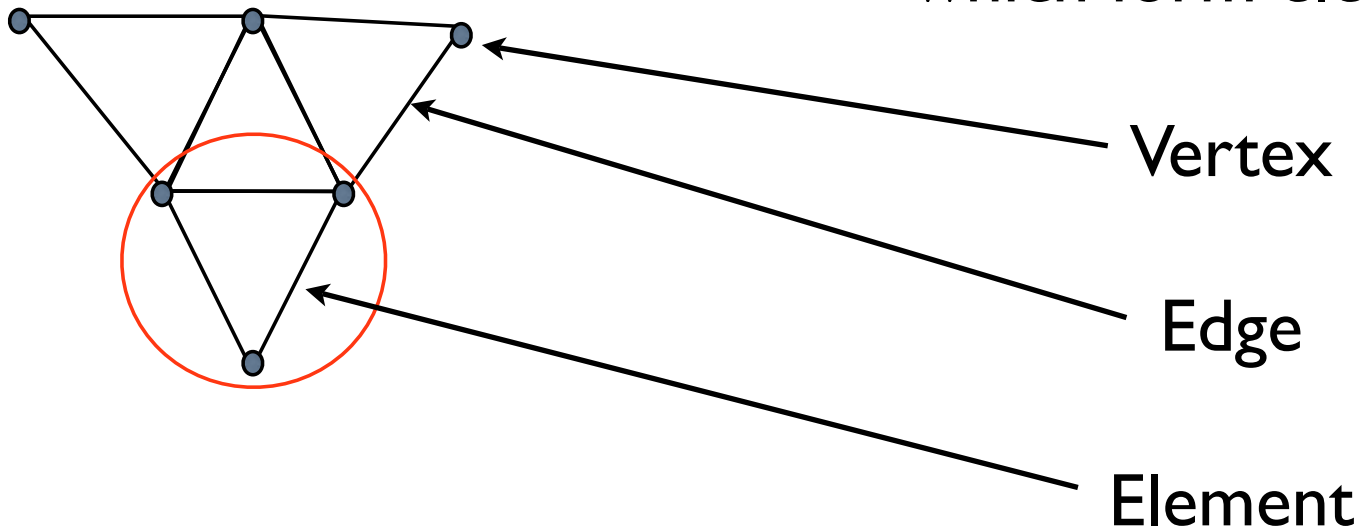
# Approximating the Geometry

Find  $u$  such that  $\mathcal{L}(u) = f$  on  $\Omega$   
subject to boundary and initial conditions



# Nomenclature

Mesh - a collection of vertices, edges and faces which form elements



Supported Elements:

1D: Segments

2D: Triangles and Quadrilaterals

3D: Tetrahedra, Hexahedra, Prisms and Pyramids

# I/O: Header Information

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
```

```
<NEKTAR>
```

```
<!-- Embed a 1-dimensional object in a 2-dimensional space -->
```

```
<!-- DIM <= SPACE -->
```

```
<!-- This provides a method of optimizing code for a 1-D curve embedded in 3-space.  
-->
```

```
<GEOMETRY DIM="2" SPACE="2">
```

**Example: A one-  
parameter curve in three  
dimensions**

$$x(t) = f_1(t)$$

$$y(t) = f_2(t)$$

$$z(t) = f_3(t)$$

# I/O: Definitions

```
<!-- Definitions that can be used below in this file. -->  
<DEF>  
  <D> A = 1.0 </D>  
  <D> B = 2.0 </D>  
  <D> C = 3.0 </D>  
</DEF>
```

## Example: Setting Boundary Conditions

$$u(x) = A\sin(x) + B\cos(x) + Cx$$

# I/O: Vertices

<VERTEX>

<!-- Always must have four values per entry. -->

```
<V ID="0"> -1.0000000000000000 3.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="1"> -1.0000000000000000 0.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="2"> -1.0000000000000000 2.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="3"> -1.0000000000000000 1.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="4"> 3.8000000000000000 4.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="5"> 0.2000000000000000 4.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="6"> 2.9000000000000000 4.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="7"> 2.0000000000000000 4.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="8"> 1.1000000000000000 4.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="9"> 5.0000000000000000 0.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="10"> 5.0000000000000000 3.5000000000000000 0.0 </V>
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<V ID="18"> -0.4000000000000000 4.0000000000000000 0.0 </V>
<V ID="19"> 4.4000000000000000 4.0000000000000000 0.0 </V>
```



# I/O: Edges

```
<EDGE NUMBER="96">  
  <E ID="0"> 1 21 </E>  
  <E ID="1"> 13 21 </E>  
  <E ID="2"> 13 15 </E>  
  <E ID="3"> 15 16 </E>  
  <E ID="4"> 16 17 </E>  
  <E ID="5"> 14 17 </E>  
  <E ID="6"> 1 3 </E>  
  <E ID="7"> 1 29 </E>  
  <E ID="8"> 21 29 </E>  
  <E ID="9"> 21 30 </E>  
  <E ID="10"> 13 30 </E>  
  <E ID="11"> 15 30 </E>  
  <E ID="12"> 15 27 </E>  
  <E ID="13"> 16 27 </E>  
  <E ID="14"> 16 25 </E>  
  <E ID="15"> 17 25 </E>  
  <E ID="16"> 3 29 </E>  
  <E ID="17"> 29 30 </E>  
  <E ID="18"> 27 30 </E>  
  <E ID="19"> 25 27 </E>  
  <E ID="20"> 2 3 </E>
```

Edge 0 consists of (Vertex=0,Vertex=21)

Edge 10 consists of (Vertex=13,Vertex=30)

# I/O: Elements

<!-- Q - quads, T - triangles, S - segments, E - tet, P - pyramid, R - prism, H - hex -->  
<!-- Only certain element types are appropriate for the given dimension (dim on mesh) -->

<!-- Can also use faces to define 3-D elements. Specify with F[1] for face 1, for example. -->

<ELEMENT>

<T ID="0"> 6 7 16 </T>

<T ID="1"> 0 8 7 </T>

<T ID="2"> 9 17 8 </T>

<T ID="3"> 1 10 9 </T>

<T ID="4"> 2 11 10 </T>

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<T ID="7"> 14 19 13 </T>

<T ID="8"> 4 15 14 </T>

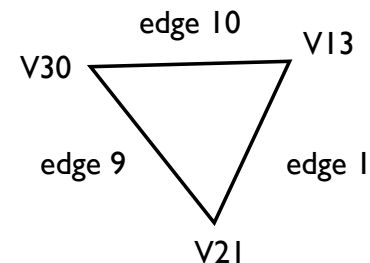
<T ID="9"> 5 39 15 </T>

**Element 3 is a Triangle  
consists of**

**Edge = 1 (vertex 13 and 21)**

**Edge = 10 (vertex 13 and 30)**

**Edge = 9 (vertex 21 and 30)**



# I/O: Composite and Domain

```
<COMPOSITE>
```

Composite: A collection of objects

```
<C ID="0"> T[0-21] </C>
```

```
<C ID="1"> Q[0-25] </C>
```

← Collection of Quads 0-25

```
<C ID="2"> E[0-1] </C>
```

```
<C ID="3"> E[2-5] </C>
```

← Collection of Edges 2-5

```
<DOMAIN> C[0-1] </DOMAIN> ← Domain is Composites 0 and 1  
</GEOMETRY>
```

```
<EXPANSIONS>
```

```
<E COMPOSITE="C[0]" NUMMODES="7" TYPE="MODIFIED" />
```

```
<E COMPOSITE="C[1]" NUMMODES="7" TYPE="MODIFIED" />
```

```
</EXPANSIONS>
```

# I/O: Parameters and Boundaries

<CONDITIONS>

<!-- Removed redundancy since we can specify any level of granularity in the ExpansionTypes section below.-->

<PARAMETERS>

<P> Lambda = 1 </P>

</PARAMETERS>

<!--One of these for each dimension. These are the vector components, say,  $s = (u,v)$ ; comprised of two components in this example for a 2D dimension.-->

<VARIABLES>

<V ID="0"> u </V>

</VARIABLES>

<!--These composites must be defined in the geometry file.-->

<BOUNDARYREGIONS>

<B ID="0"> C[2] </B>

<B ID="1"> C[3] </B>

<B ID="2"> C[4] </B>

<B ID="3"> C[5] </B>

<B ID="4"> C[6] </B>

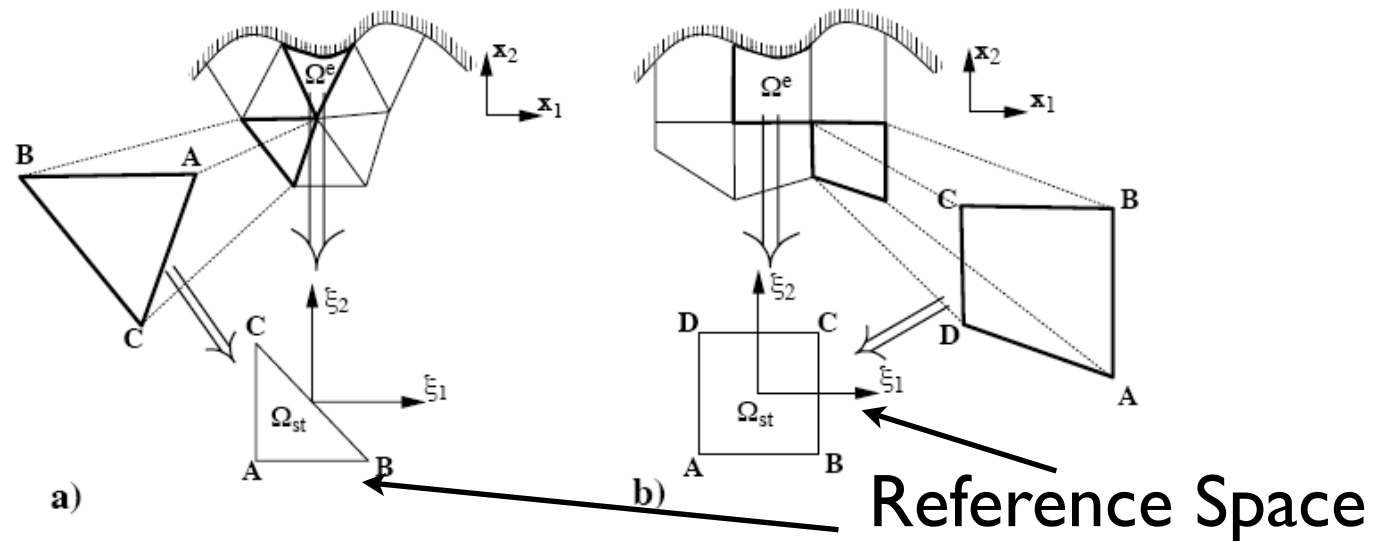
Parameters

Solution Variable

Boundary Regions  
(where boundary  
conditions are to be  
applied)

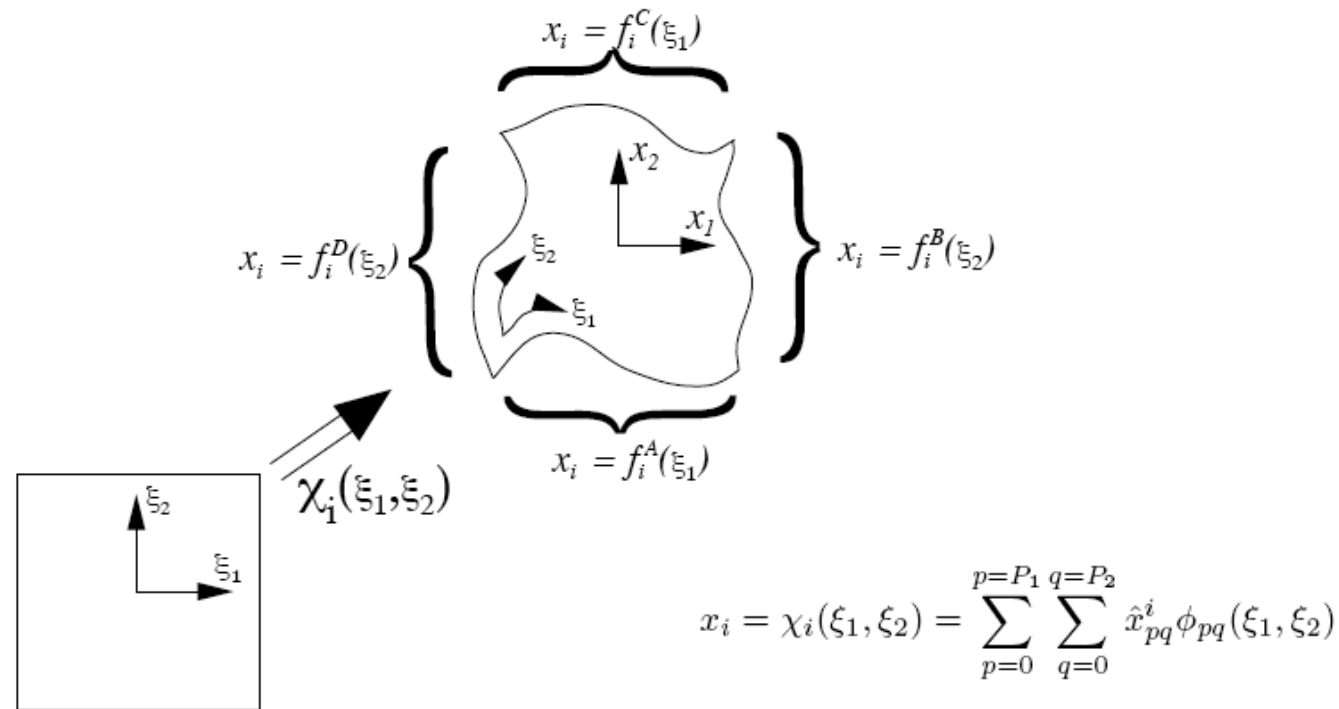
# World Space versus Reference Space

World Space



**Figure 3.2** To construct a  $C^0$  expansion from multiple elements of specified shapes (for example, triangles or rectangles), each elemental region  $\Omega^e$  is mapped to a standard region  $\Omega_{st}$  in which all local operations are evaluated.

# Mapping from reference space to world space



**Figure 3.4** A general curved element can be described in terms of a series of parametric functions  $f^A(\xi_1)$ ,  $f^B(\xi_2)$ ,  $f^C(\xi_1)$ , and  $f^D(\xi_2)$ . Representing these functions as a discrete expansion we can construct an iso-parametric mapping  $\chi_i(\xi_1, \xi_2)$  relating the standard region  $(\xi_1, \xi_2)$  to the deformed region  $(x_1, x_2)$ .

# Metric Terms

Recall from Calculus:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \longleftrightarrow \int_{-1}^1 f(\psi^{-1}(\xi)) \left| \frac{(b-a)}{2} \right| d\xi$$

$x = \psi(\xi) = \frac{(b-a)}{2}(\xi + 1) + a$

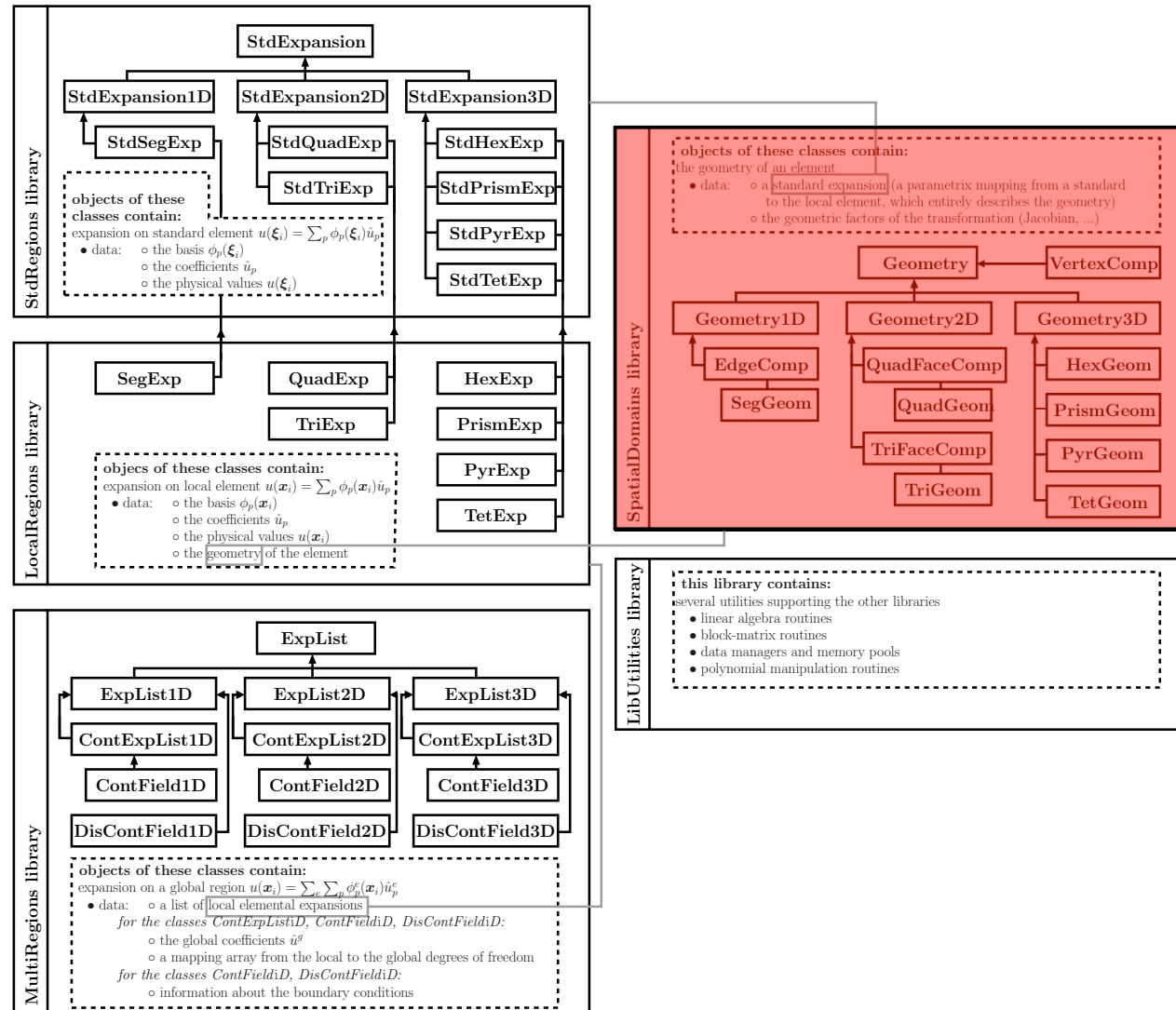
Jacobian  
of the mapping

Chain Rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given } f(x) &= H(\psi^{-1}(x)) \\ \frac{d}{dx} f(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} H(\psi^{-1}(x)) \\ &= \left[ \frac{d}{dx} \psi^{-1}(x) \right] \frac{dH(\xi)}{d\xi} \end{aligned}$$

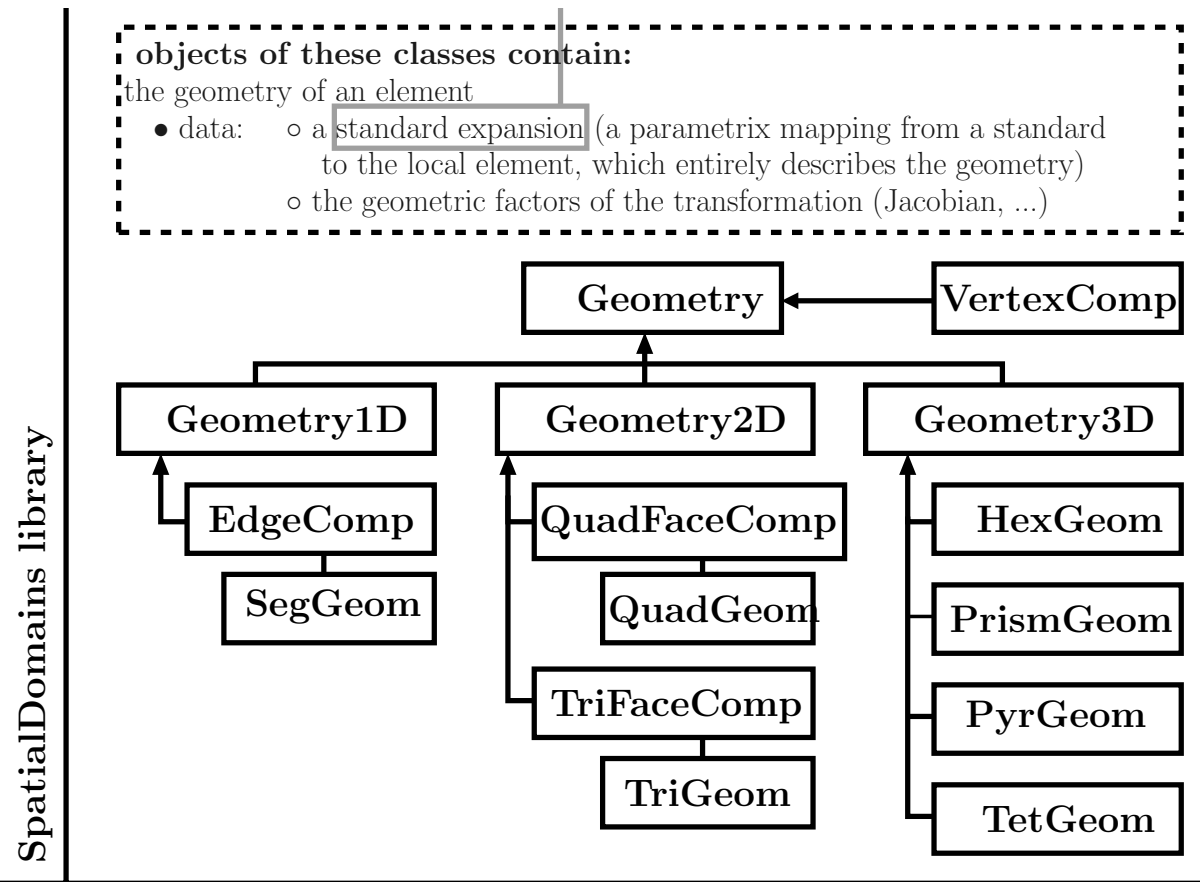
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mapping

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library

this library contains:  
several utilities supporting the other libraries