

# Re: best intro to finite element method book

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Hello group.

What is the best introductory book to the finite element method?

There are many choices, depending on whether you want to study FEM from the mathematical or physical perspective, textbook vs. reference vs monograph, whether you want to learn programming, etc. Personal recs given graduate students taking my introductory course are collected in Slide 18 (last one) of

<http://caswww.colorado.edu/courses.d/IFEM.d/IFEM.Ch01.d/IFEM.Ch01.Slides.d/IFEM.Ch01.Slides.pdf>

This was last updated 1998, so it may be a bit out of date with current offerings.

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