

5-2 Consider the two-dimensional isoparametric rectangle element as shown in Figure 5.6.

(a) Write the expression for an isoparametric mapping of coordinates in this element.

(b) Determine the location of the local coordinates ξ and η that define the centroid of this element.

(c) Compute the expression for the Jacobian matrix **J** of this element and evaluate the Jacobian matrix at the centroid.

(d) Compute the derivatives of the shape function N_3 at the centroid.



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Figure 5.6 Two-dimensional rectangle element.