

Weakening the tight coupling between geometry and simulation in IGA

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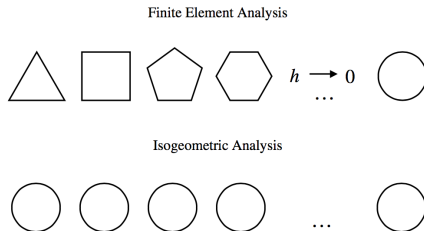


Fig. 2. “What is a circle?” In finite element analysis it is an idealization attained in the limit of mesh refinement but never for any finite mesh. In isogeometric analysis, the same exact geometry and parameterization are maintained for all meshes.

The main idea of isogeometric analysis (IGA)



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Previous talk of S. Elgeti (Spline-based FEM for fluid flow)

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 - Standard tools for the geometry/boundary but different (spline-)basis for solution (to exploit features like local refinement).

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Subsequently, the patch test has generated some mathematical controversy (see Stummel [65]) and undergone rumination (see Irons and Loikkanen [66] and Taylor et al. [67]). In addition, in the context of complicated theories, it is not always even clear how to pose patch tests. For these reasons faith in the patch test has eroded in some quarters. *This is unfortunate, for we firmly believe that, within the realm of problems dealt with so far in this book, the patch test is the most practically useful technique for assessing element behavior.* Thus we wish to avoid altogether the mathematically controversial facets of this subject and return to the spirit of Irons' original conception.

Original geometry parametrization of the domain

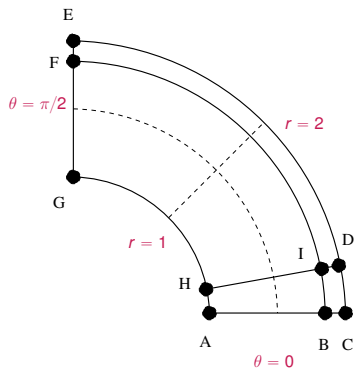
- The geometry is exactly represented by NURBS of degrees 1×2
- Basic parametrization by one element, defined by 2 knot vectors

$$\Sigma = \{0, 0, 1, 1\}, \quad \Pi = \{0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1\}.$$

- Together with NURBS basis, this is given by the following set of 6 control points, where the third value denotes the weight.

$$\begin{aligned} P[0, 0] &:= \{1, 0, 1\}, & P[1, 0] &:= \{2, 0, 1\}, \\ P[0, 1] &:= \{1, 1, 1/\sqrt{2}\}, & P[1, 1] &:= \{2, 2, 1/\sqrt{2}\}, \\ P[0, 2] &:= \{0, 1, 1\}, & P[1, 2] &:= \{0, 2, 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

Parametrization of the domain for the patch-test I



Quarter annulus region

- For patch-test in 2D, one-time h -refinement in both directions
- Consider the refined knot vectors

$$\Sigma = \{0, 0, s, 1, 1\}, \quad \Pi = \{0, 0, 0, t, 1, 1, 1\}.$$

Parametrization of the domain for the patch-test II

Shape A For non-uniform curvilinear elements, shift the points B , D , F , H and I . Set

$$t_1 := 1 - t + t/\sqrt{2}, \quad t_2 := t + \sqrt{2}t_1,$$

Updated set of control points in non-homogenized form

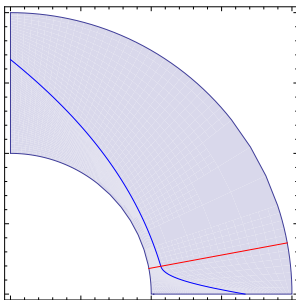
$$\{1, 0, 1\}, \quad \{1 + s, 0, 1\}, \quad \{2, 0, 1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{1, \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}t_1}, t_1\right\}, \quad \left\{(1 + s), \frac{(1 + s)t}{\sqrt{2}t_1}, t_1\right\}, \quad \left\{2, \frac{\sqrt{2}t}{t_1}, t_1\right\} \\ & \left\{\frac{\sqrt{2}(1 - t)}{t_2}, 1, \frac{t_2}{2}\right\}, \quad \left\{\frac{\sqrt{2}(1 + s)(1 - t)}{t_2}, (1 + s), \frac{t_2}{2}\right\}, \quad \left\{\frac{2\sqrt{2}(1 - t)}{t_2}, 2, \frac{t_2}{2}\right\} \\ & \{0, 1, 1\}, \quad \{0, 1 + s, 1\}, \quad \{0, 2, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Parametrization of the domain for the patch-test III

Shape B Add another parameter δ , two interior points changed as

$$\left\{ \frac{(1+s)t_1}{t_1 + \delta}, \frac{(1+s)t}{\sqrt{2}(t_1 + \delta)}, t_1 + \delta \right\}, \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{2}(1+s)(1-t)}{t_2 + 2\delta}, \frac{(1+s)t_2}{t_2 + 2\delta}, \frac{t_2}{2} + \delta \right\}$$



Quarter annulus region with non-uniform elements,
($s = 2/3, t = 1/8, \delta = 1/2$)

Various combinations of degrees and knots/weights

- $p_u = p_g$, and $\Sigma_u = \Sigma_g$ (isogeometric case)
- $p_u < p_g$, and $\Sigma_u = \Sigma_g$ (different end knots)
- $p_u > p_g$, and $\Sigma_u = \Sigma_g$ (different end knots)
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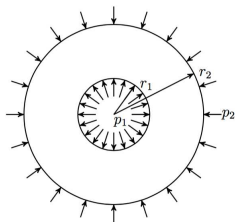


Figure 1: Pressurized cylinder.

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- L^2 error in the solution

$$u_r = \frac{1 + \nu}{E} \left(-\frac{r_1^2 r_2^2 (p_2 - p_1)}{r(r_2^2 - r_1^2)} + (1 - 2\nu)r \frac{r_1^2 p_1 - r_2^2 p_2}{r_2^2 - r_1^2} \right)$$

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PT1 Shape A, $\Sigma_u = \Sigma_g$, 0.17 and 0.25 interior knots pt

PT2 Shape A, $\Sigma_u \neq \Sigma_g$. Σ_g has 0.17 and 0.25 interior knot pt,
and Σ_u has 0.35 and 0.81 interior knot pt

PT3 Same as PT1, NURBS for geo, and B-Splines for solution

PT4 Shape B, $\Sigma_u \neq \Sigma_g$

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Example 1: Quarter annulus domain.

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- Case A2** Same as A1 except $\Sigma_u \neq \Sigma_g$
- Case B1** Similar elements, geo using NURBS, and solution using B-Splines, $\Sigma_u = \Sigma_g$ (except weights, and end knots for $\rho_u \neq \rho_g$)
- Case B2** Same as B1 except $\Sigma_u \neq \Sigma_g$
- Case C1** Nonuniform elements (with parameter δ), both geo and solution using NURBS, $\Sigma_u = \Sigma_g$, $\delta_u = \delta_g$ (except end knots for $\rho_u \neq \rho_g$)
- Case C2** Same as C1 except $\delta_u \neq \delta_g$
- Case C3** Same as C1 except $\Sigma_u \neq \Sigma_g$, and $\delta_u \neq \delta_g$

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L^2 error in the solution

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0.004332	0.004332	0.000440	0.002128	0.002128	0.000145
3.768	3.768	8.664	3.877	3.877	8.807
3.936	3.936	8.704	3.968	3.968	8.670
3.983	3.983	8.436	3.992	3.992	8.425
3.996	3.996	8.231	3.998	3.998	8.237

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$\rho_u = \rho_g$	$\rho_u < \rho_g$	$\rho_u > \rho_g$	$\rho_u = \rho_g$	$\rho_u < \rho_g$	$\rho_u > \rho_g$
0.004601	0.004601	0.000472	0.002701	0.002701	0.000249
3.953	3.953	8.666	4.674	4.674	8.700
3.974	3.974	9.163	4.129	4.129	12.689
3.992	3.992	8.546	4.029	4.029	9.587
3.998	3.998	8.257	4.007	4.007	8.527

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0.004584	0.004584	0.000274	0.003676	0.003676	0.000241
3.782	3.782	10.254	3.810	3.810	9.885
3.931	3.931	8.659	3.935	3.935	8.548
3.984	3.984	8.118	3.984	3.984	8.100
3.996	3.996	8.028	3.996	3.996	8.024

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Case C3		
$\rho_u = \rho_g$	$\rho_u < \rho_g$	$\rho_u > \rho_g$
0.008824	0.008824	0.003984
3.779	3.779	1.891
3.944	3.944	2.018
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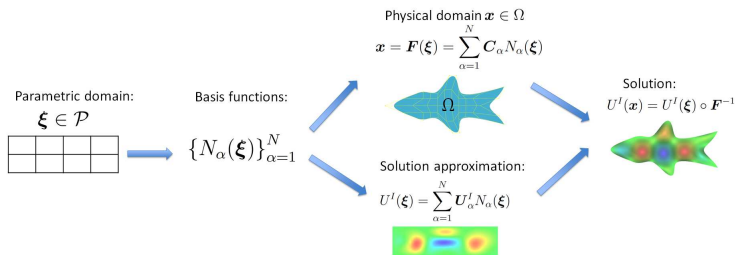
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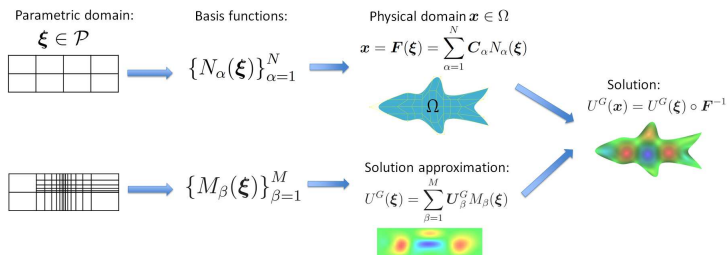
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One message

- **Without any fancy/weird elements**, various combinations of different basis and polynomial degrees pass the test, and can be used in practice