Introduction to Isogeometric Analysis (IGA)

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Motivation

The key idea of isogeometric analysis (IGA) (Hughes *et al.* 2005) is to approximate the physical fields with the same basis functions as that used to generate the CAD model.

- 1. Alleviate meshing burden
- 2. Direct communication with geometry
- Exact representation of geometry.
- Shape sensitivity analysis.
- Shape optimization.
- 3. High order continuous field
- 4. Flexible refinement scheme.

Isogeometric Analysis Process







NURBS (Non-Uniform Rational B-splines)

NURBS is a mapping from parametric space to physical space.



B-spline basis functions

B-spline basis function:



- Linear independence;
- Partition of unity
- Non-negative;
- Locally supported;
- No Kronecker delta property





NURBS basis functions

NURBS basis function:

$$R_{A,p}(\xi) = \frac{N_{A,p}(\xi)w_A}{\sum_{A=1}^{n} w_A N_{A,p}(\xi)}$$

where *N* is the B-spline basis function, and *w* is the weight associated with the control points.



Fig 1: The influence of weights on the geometry

Tensor product property

$$R_{A,B}^{p,q}(\xi,\eta) = \frac{N_{A,p}(\xi)M_{B,q}(\eta)w_{A,B}}{\sum_{\hat{A}=1}^{n}\sum_{\hat{B}=1}^{m}N_{\hat{A},p}(\xi)M_{\hat{B},q}(\eta)w_{\hat{A},\hat{B}}}$$
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Applications



Fig 1. Linear elasticity (propeller)



Fig 2. Exterior Acoustics (submarine)



Fig 1. Shape optimization



X ZY



Fig 4. Crack propagation



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