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## Introduction to Isogeometric Analysis

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...with results from many colleagues: P. Antolín, L. Beirao da Veiga, A. Buffa, G. Elber, M. Martinelli, F. Massarwi, R. Vázquez,...

# Outline

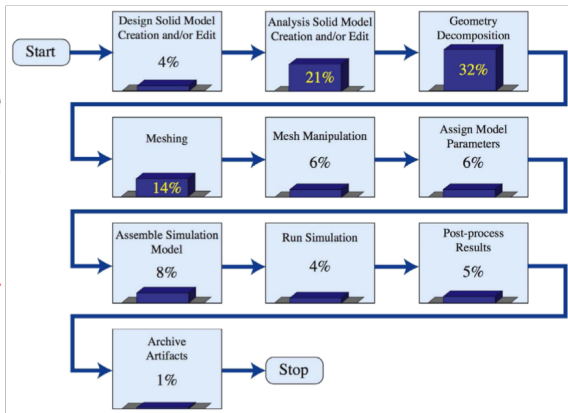
- introduction to IGA: motivation, appearance, developments...
- approximation properties: smoothness, multipatch, local refinement and trimming
- volumetric locking, stability and LBB (inf-sup) condition
- “structure preserving” within IGA
- implementation of IGA: fast formation/assembling  
~~and preconditioning of isogeometric matrices~~

# Main motivation for IGA

Engineering designs are created in CAD systems.

Models for the Finite Element Method (FEM) are created from CAD representations.

Fixing CAD geometry and creating the FEM mesh takes more than 70% of the whole process.



M. Hardwick, R. Clay (Sandia National Laboratories, 2005)

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- to be geometrically exact no matter how coarse the discretization;
- to simplify mesh refinement by eliminating the need for communication with the CAD geometry once the initial mesh is constructed;
- to more tightly weave the mesh generation process within CAD.

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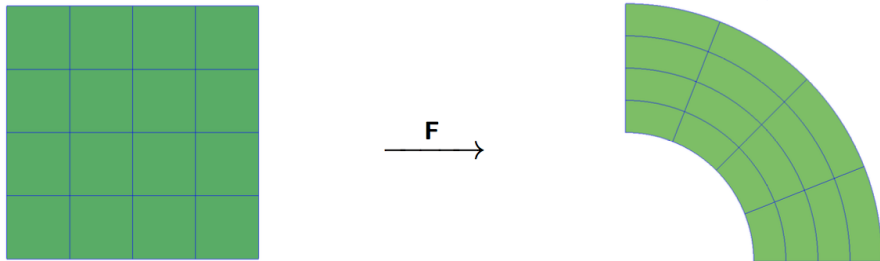
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“the solution space for dependent variables is represented in terms of the same functions which represent the geometry”.

# IGA main concepts

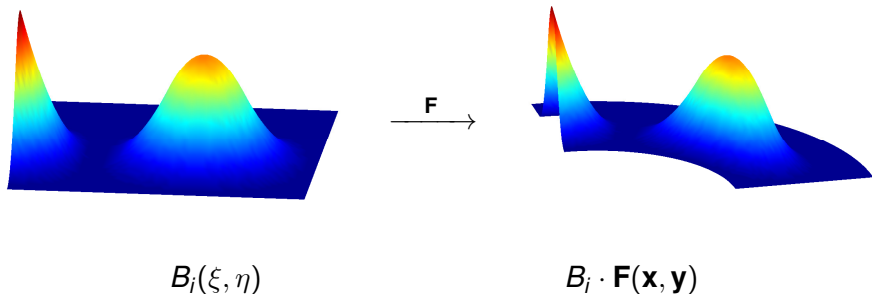
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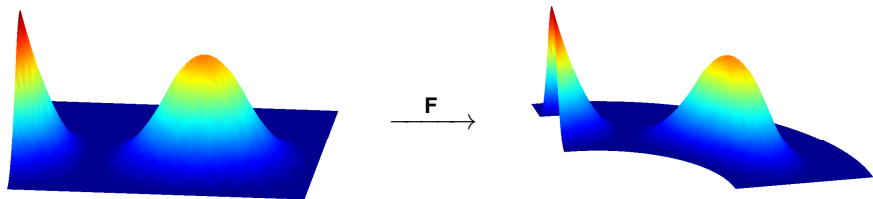
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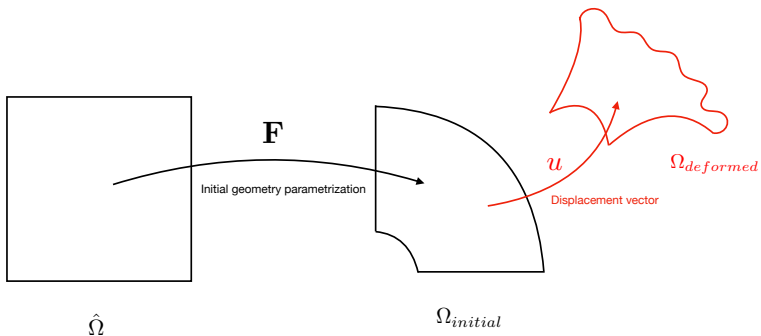


IGA has been proposed by structural engineers:

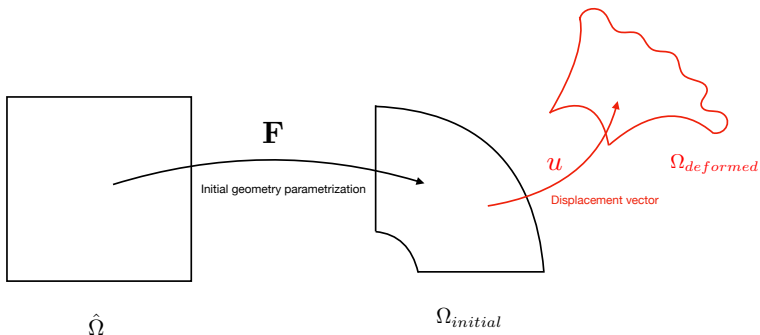
- **Isoparametric paradigm:** push-forward of splines/NURBS basis functions on the computational domain  $\Omega$  to approximate the solution of the PDE.
- **Finite Element** kind method (splines etc. replace piecewise polynomials)



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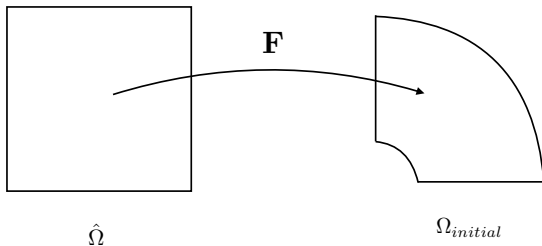


$\Omega_{deformed}$  is parametrized by  $(\mathbf{F} + \underbrace{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{F}}_{\hat{\mathbf{u}}})$

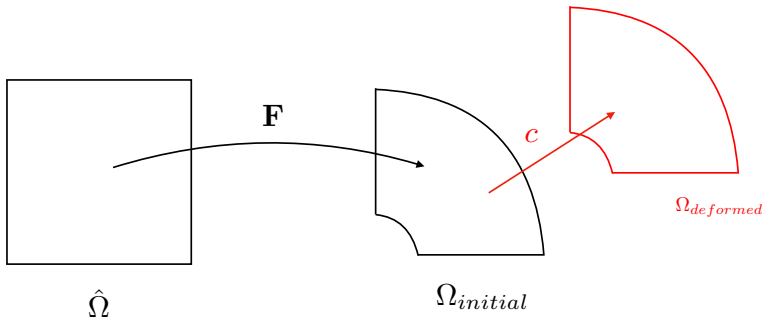
## Isoparametric construction

The unknown written w.r.t. the parametric variables ( $\hat{\mathbf{u}} : \hat{\Omega} \rightarrow \Omega_{deformed}$ ) is represented by the same functions that are used for the geometry parametrization  $\mathbf{F} : \hat{\Omega} \rightarrow \Omega_{initial}$

# Isoparametric concept II

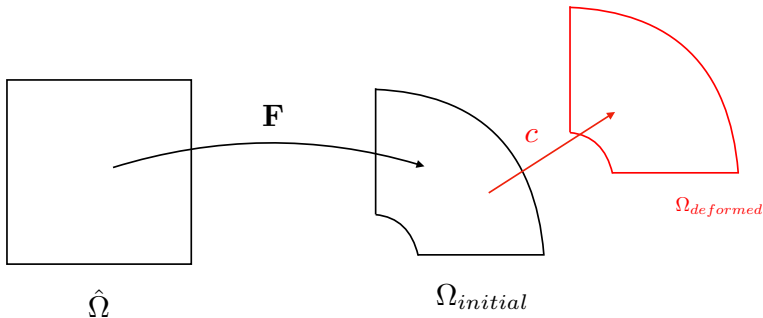


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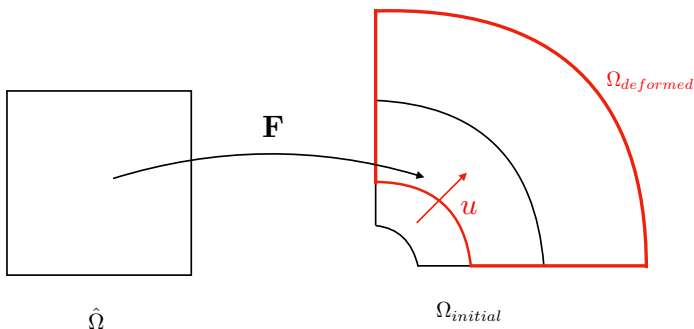
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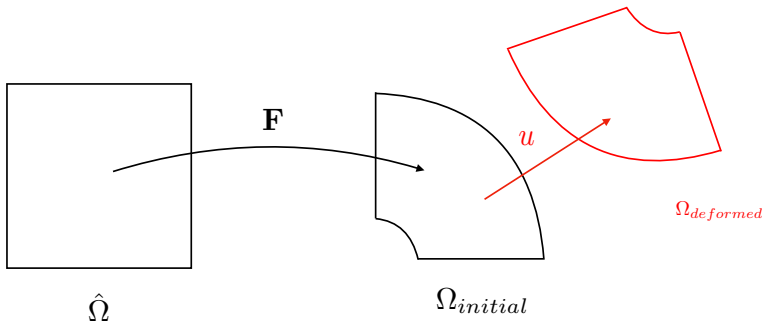
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- $\mathbf{u}(x, y) = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  is in **any** isoparametric space since  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}(\xi, \eta) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{F} \begin{bmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} F_1(\xi, \eta) \\ F_2(\xi, \eta) \end{bmatrix}$  is a vector field whose components are linear combination of the parametrization components  $F_1(\xi, \eta)$  and  $F_2(\xi, \eta)$ , and then is represented in the same basis

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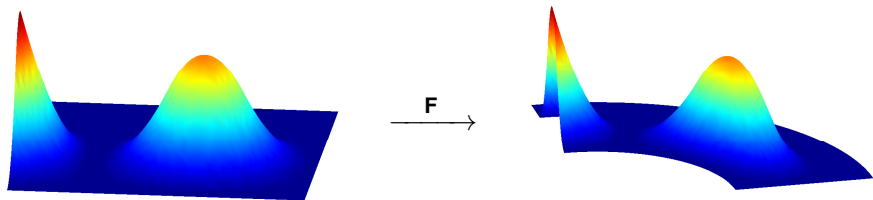
The isoparametric space contains any rigid body motion

$$\mathbf{u}(x, y) = \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{R} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

that form the kernel of the internal elastic energy

# IGA main side-effect

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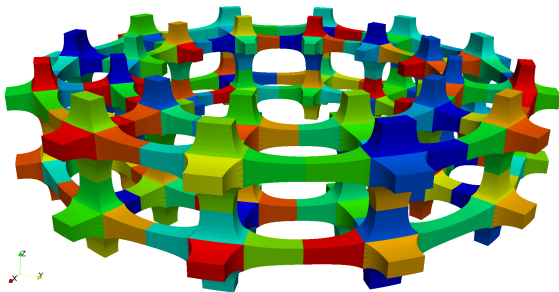


Isogeometric spaces are smooth



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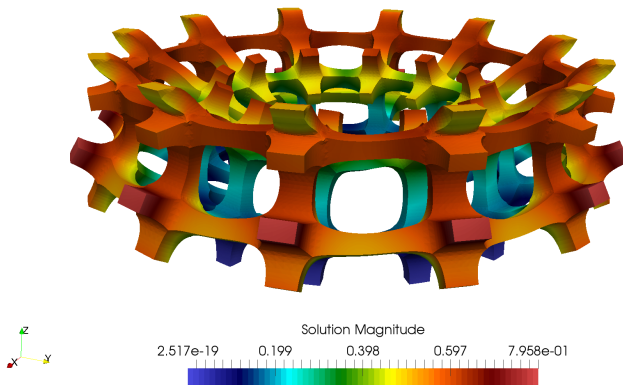


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- IRIT V-rep geometry formed by 336 trivariate Bézier elements of degree  $(4, 4, 8)$ .
- linear elasticity analysis
- isotropic material: Young mod.  $E = 1$  and Poisson coeff.  $\nu = 0.3$
- boundary conditions: a lower internal ring that is blocked and a Dirichlet boundary condition is applied for the top faces of the upper external ring, that is moved vertically by 0.5.

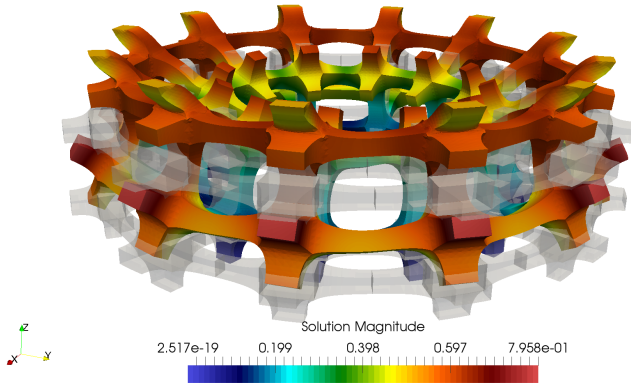
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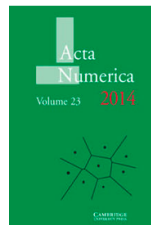
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