

# Analysis-suitable parameterization for isogeometric analysis

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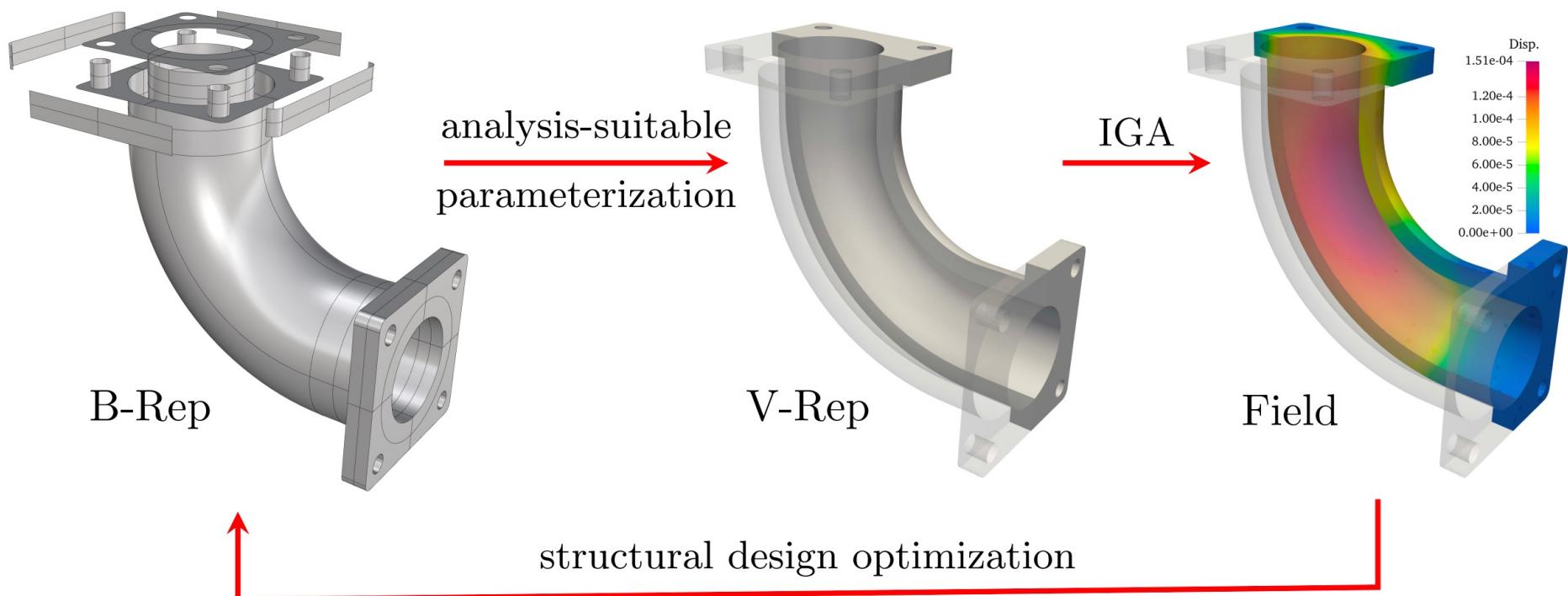
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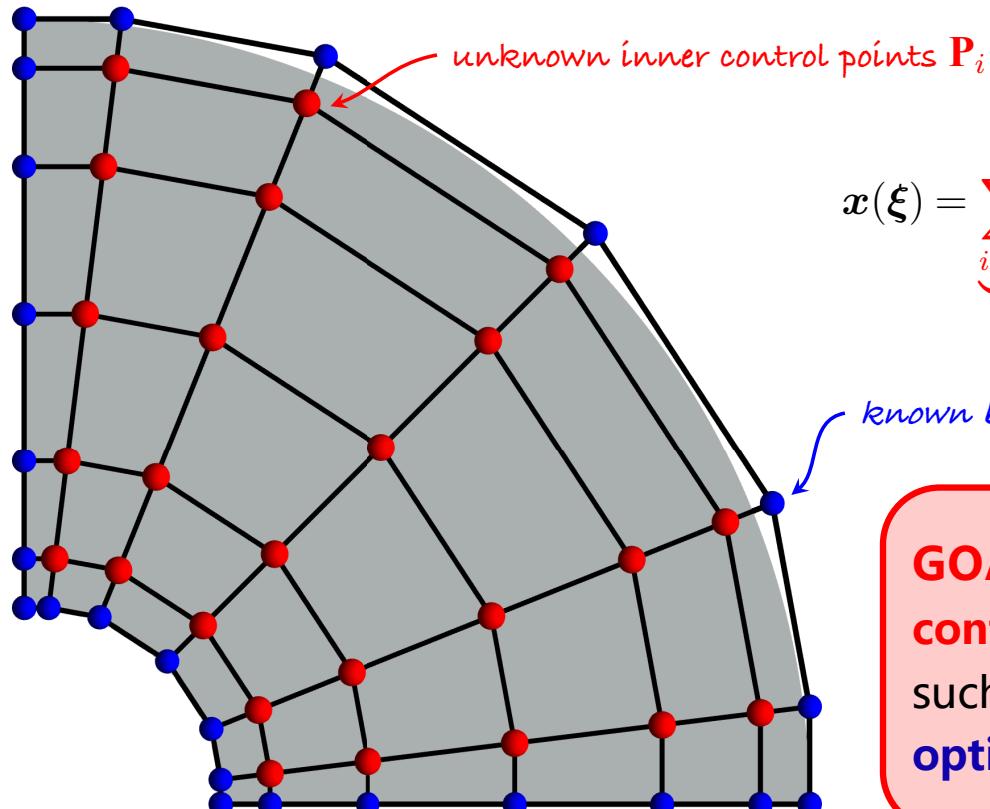
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- CAD models are usually represented by **boundary representation** (B-Rep);
- However, IGA requires an internal **spline-based parameterization** (V-Rep).



## Problem statement: Domain parameterization



$$x(\xi) = \underbrace{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_I} P_i R_i(\xi)}_{\text{unknown}} + \underbrace{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{I}_B} P_j R_j(\xi)}_{\text{known}}$$

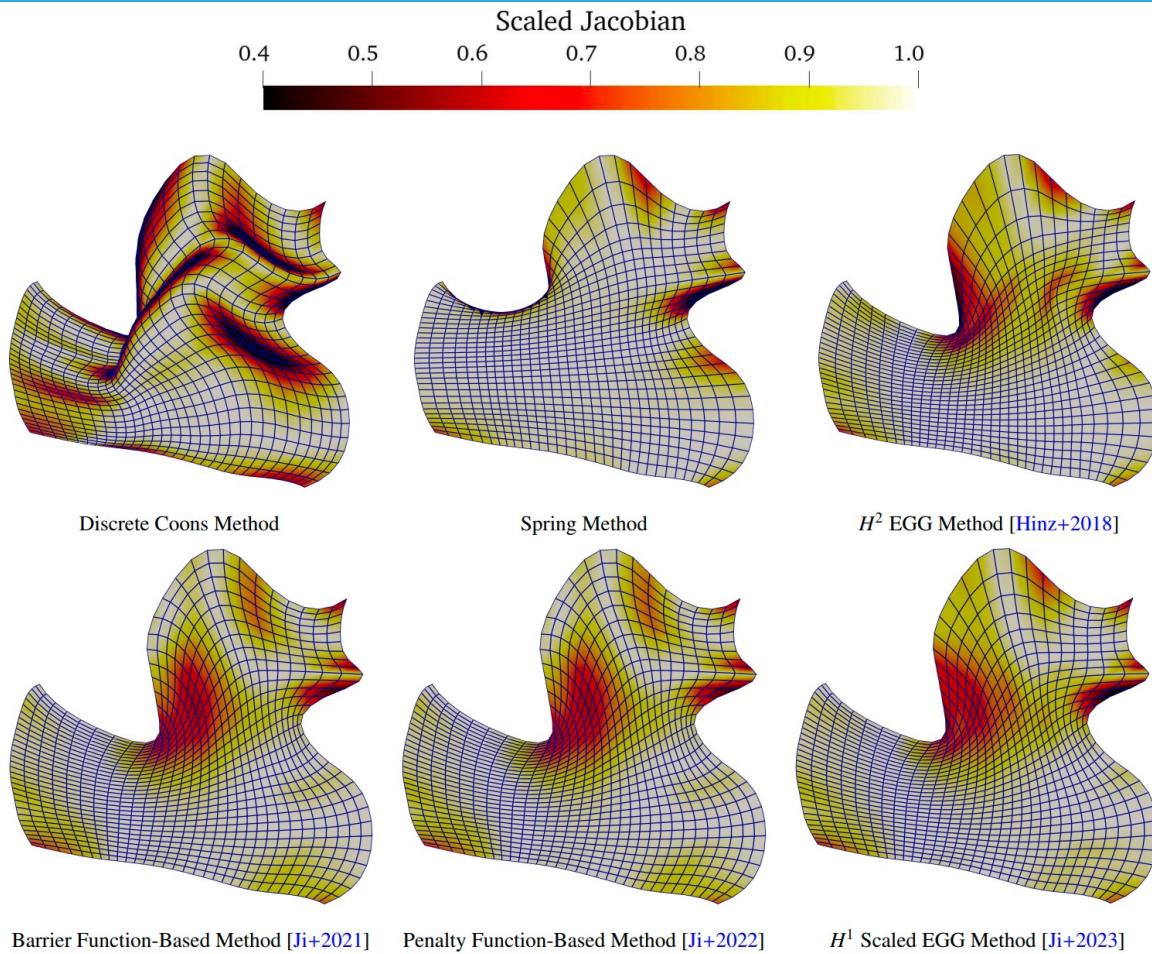
**GOAL:** to construct **unknown inner control points  $P_i$**  (or basis functions  $R_i$ ) such that  $x$  ensures **bijectivity** and exhibits **optimal orthogonality** and **uniformity**.

➤ **Parameterization quality** significantly affects **downstream analysis!**

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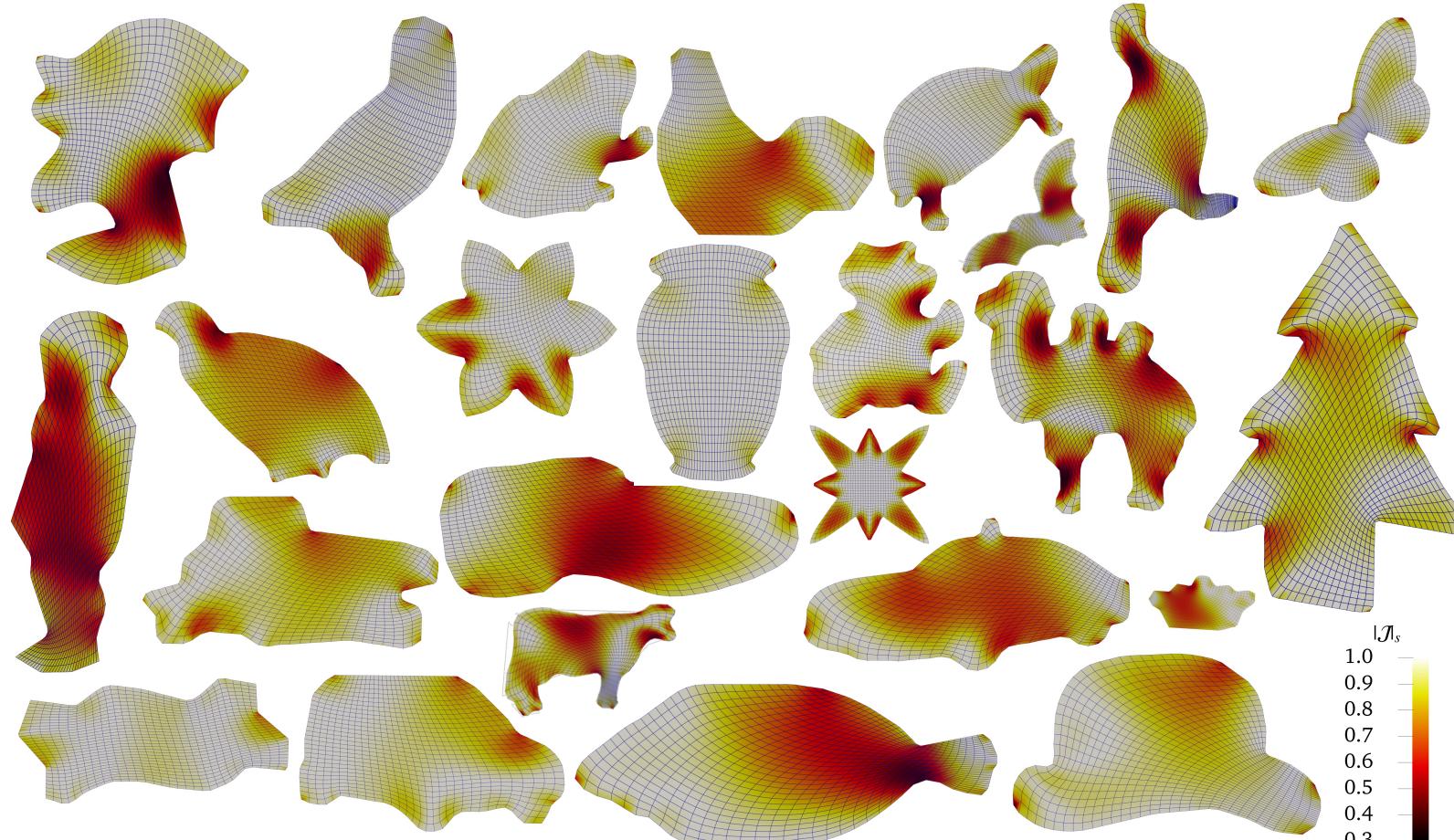
## Available methods in G+Smo



- Algebraic methods:
  - Coons patch
  - Spring patch
- Optimization-based methods:
  - Barrier-function-based <sup>1</sup>
  - Penalty-function-based <sup>2</sup>
- PDE-based methods:
  - Elliptic grid generation <sup>3</sup>
  - Improved EGG <sup>4</sup>

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1. Ji, Y. et al. (2021). *JCAM*, 396, 113615.
  2. Ji, Y. et al. (2022). *CAGD*, 94, 102081.
  3. Hinz, J. et al. (2018). *CAGD*, 65, 48-75.
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## Planar Parameterization Test Dataset (977 models)

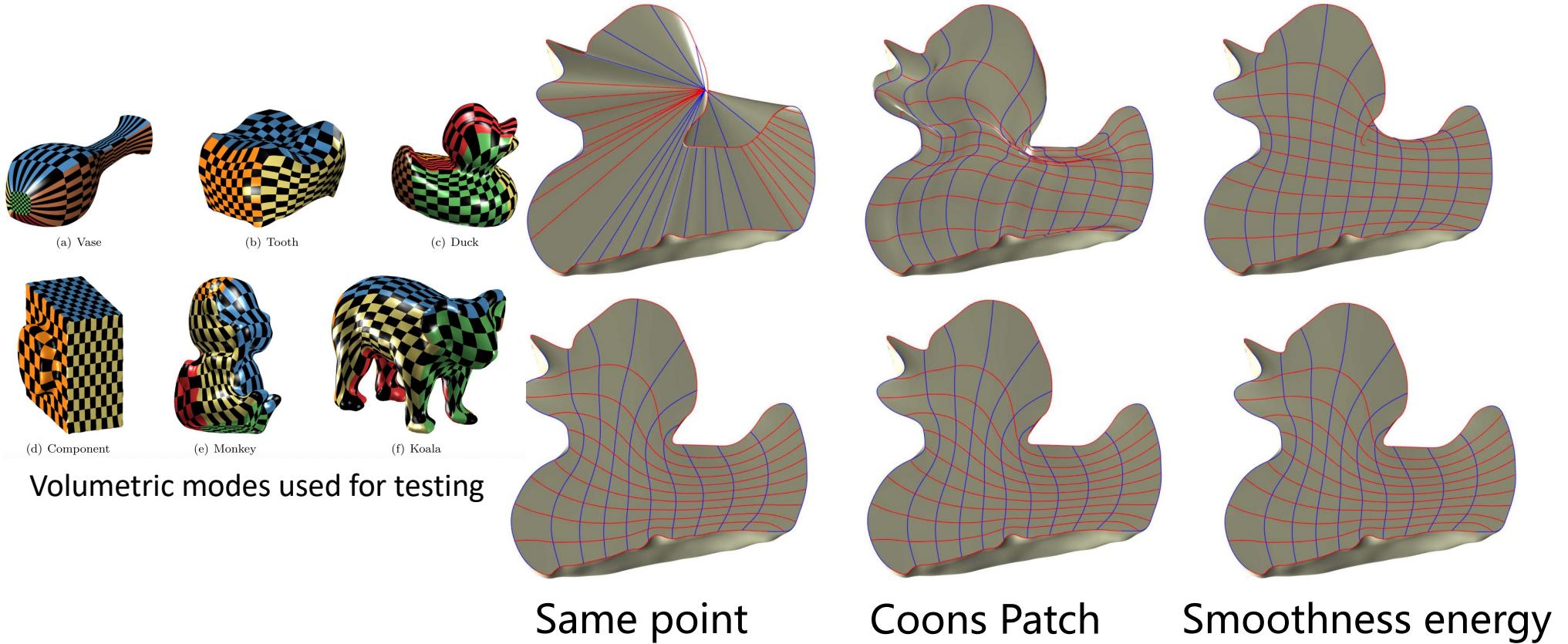


Success rates  
PDE (Hinz, J. et al. (2018)): 62.23%  
PDE (Ji et al. 2023): 73.80%  
Barrier (Ji et al. 2021): **98.36%**  
Penalty (Ji et al. 2021): 97.85%

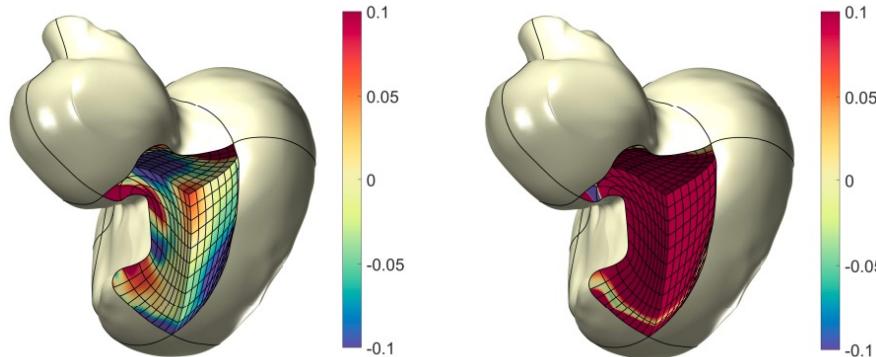
Computational time:  
PDE-based: ~0.2 sec  
opt-based: ~2 sec

Ji, Y., Möller, M., Verhelst, H.M. (2024). Design Through Analysis.  
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## Strong similarity from different initializations

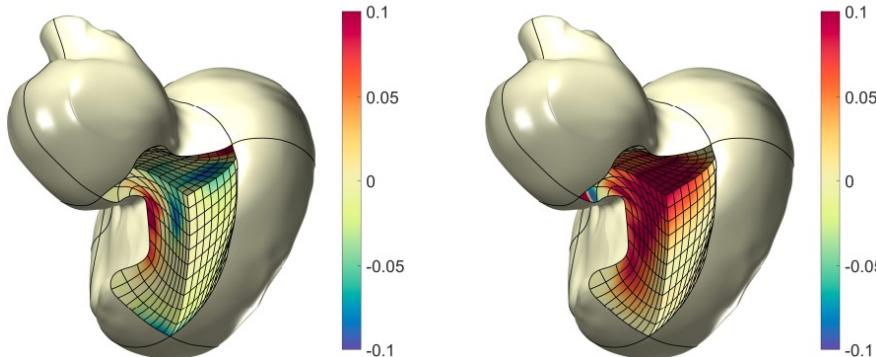


## Comparisons with existing methods



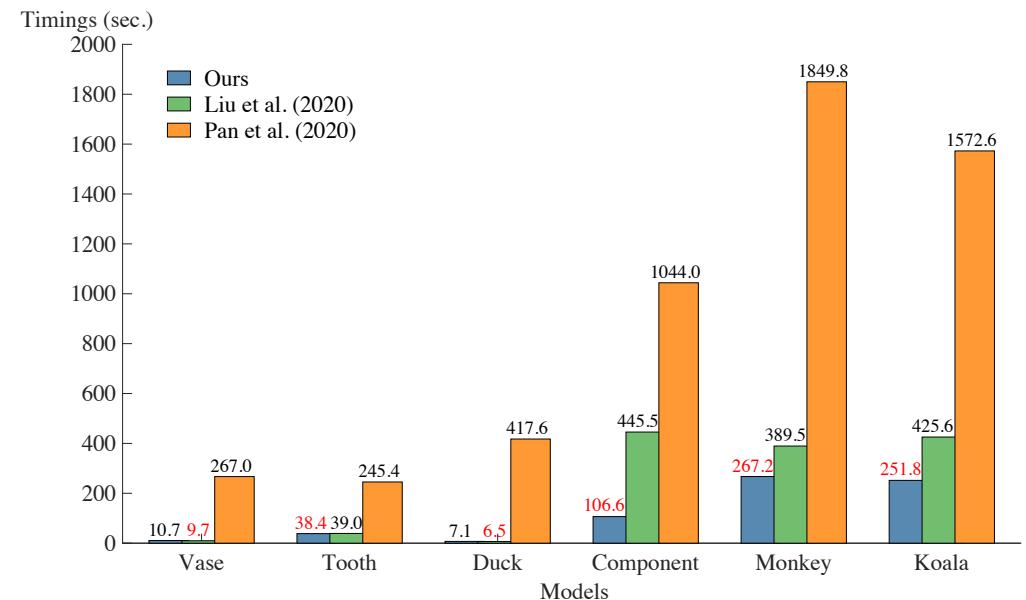
$m_{SJ}^{Ours} - m_{SJ}^{Pan}$

$m_{unif.}^{Pan} - m_{unif.}^{Ours}$



$m_{SJ}^{Ours} - m_{SJ}^{Liu}$

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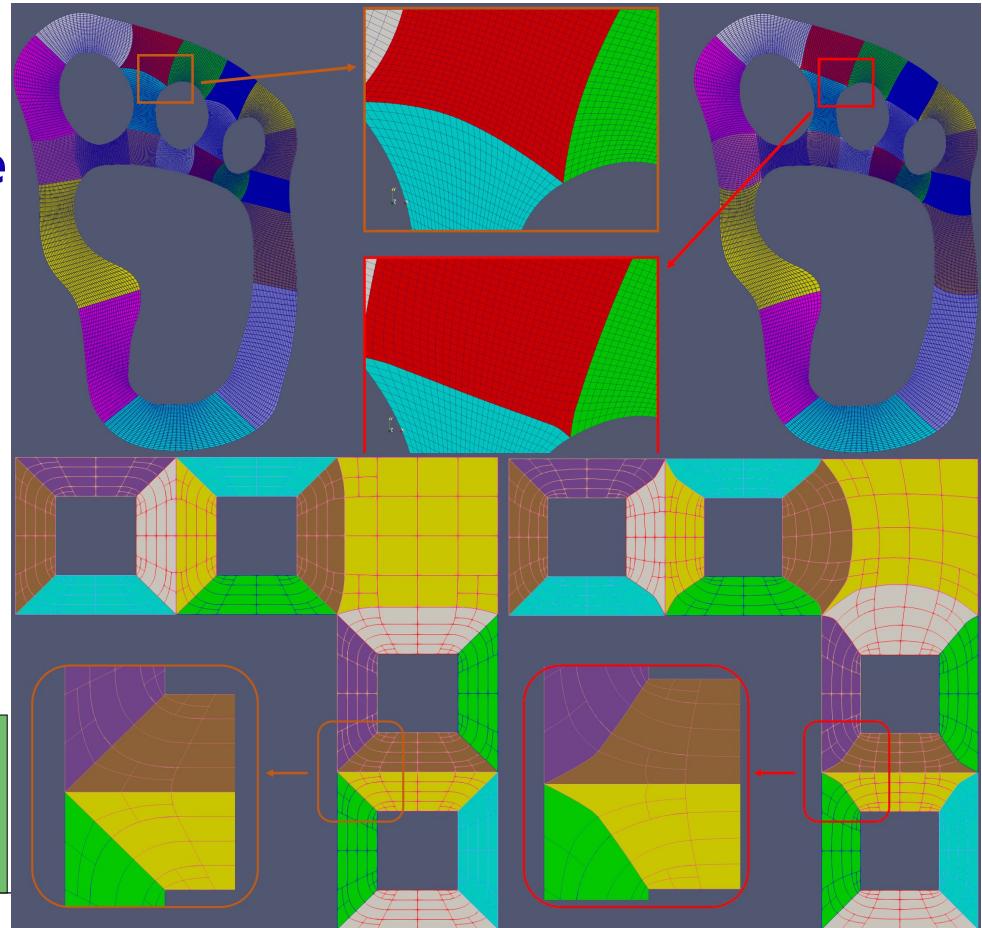
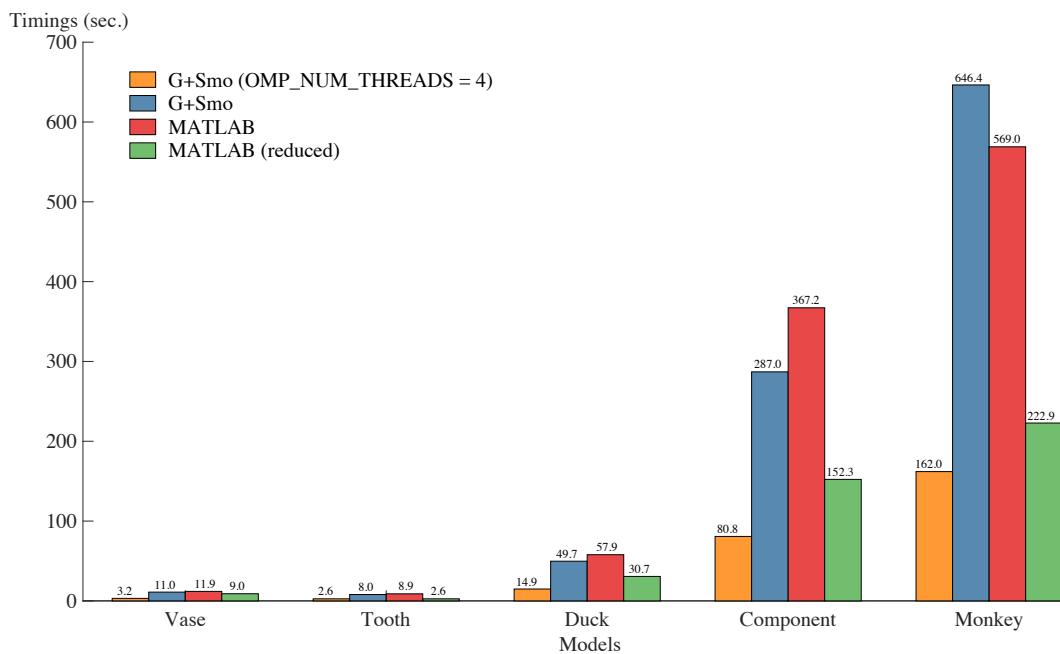


- **Positive values** indicate our method performs better;
- Efficiency comparison (MATLAB vs. C++ (Pan+ & Liu+)):
  - Significantly **faster** than Pan et al. (2020);
  - Large-Scale Models: Outperforms Liu et al. (2020).

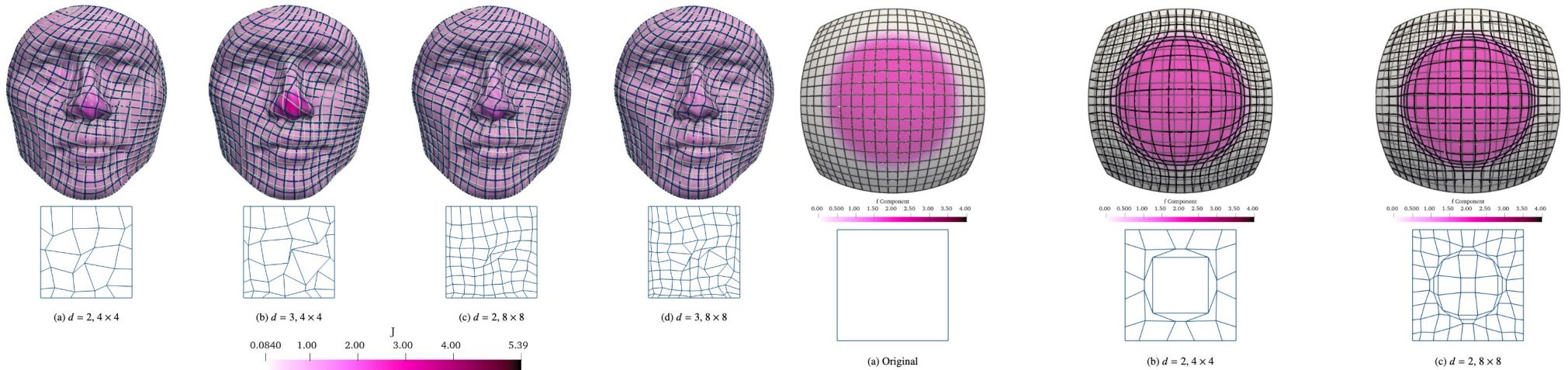
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2. Liu, H., Yang, Y., Liu, Y., & Fu, X. M. (2020). CAGD, 79, 101853.

## G+Smo implementation

- In our released G+Smo implementation, **3-4x speed-up using OpenMP (!);**
- Suitable for **multi-patch** and **THB-spline parameterization;**



# || Composite spline relocation for surface reparameterization

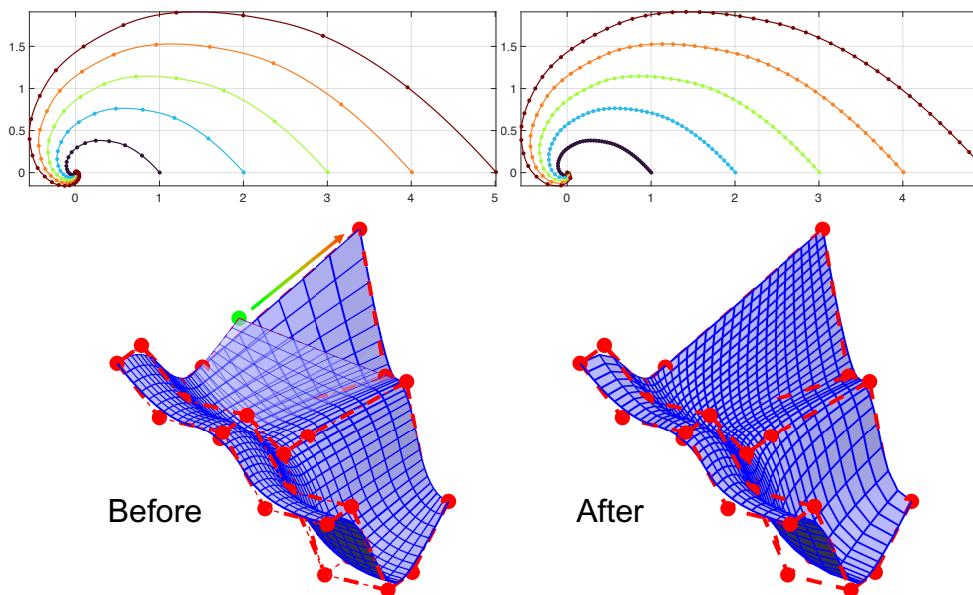


➤ A **composite spline relocation** framework for surface-based IGA, integrating **harmonic map-based mesh redistribution** with spline-based techniques;

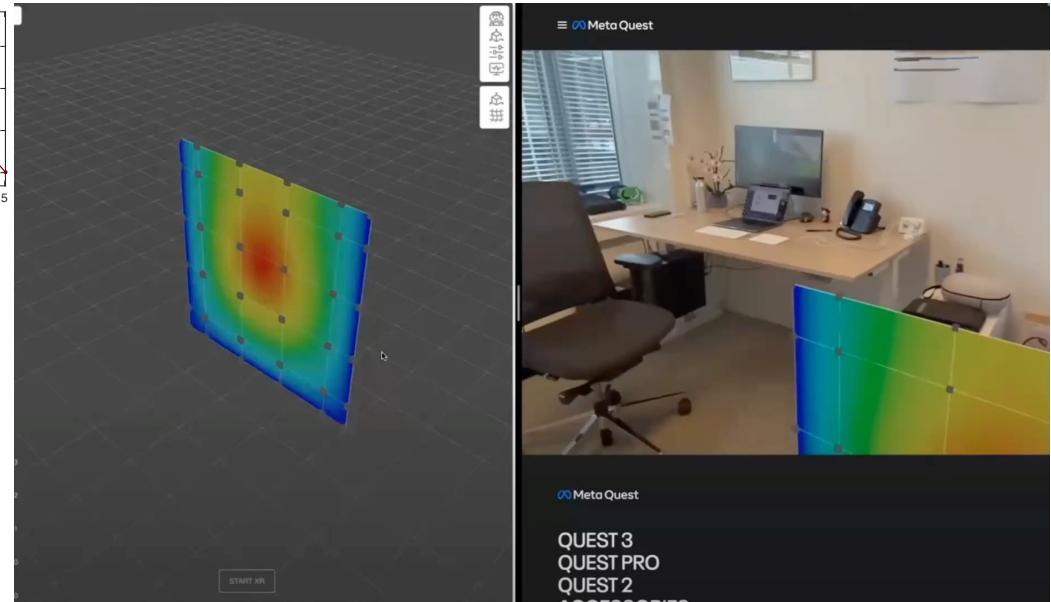
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Composite spline relocation for isogeometric analysis on surfaces  
joint work with Carlotta Giannelli, Sofia Imperatore, & Hugo Verhelst

## Applications: curve/surface reparameterization

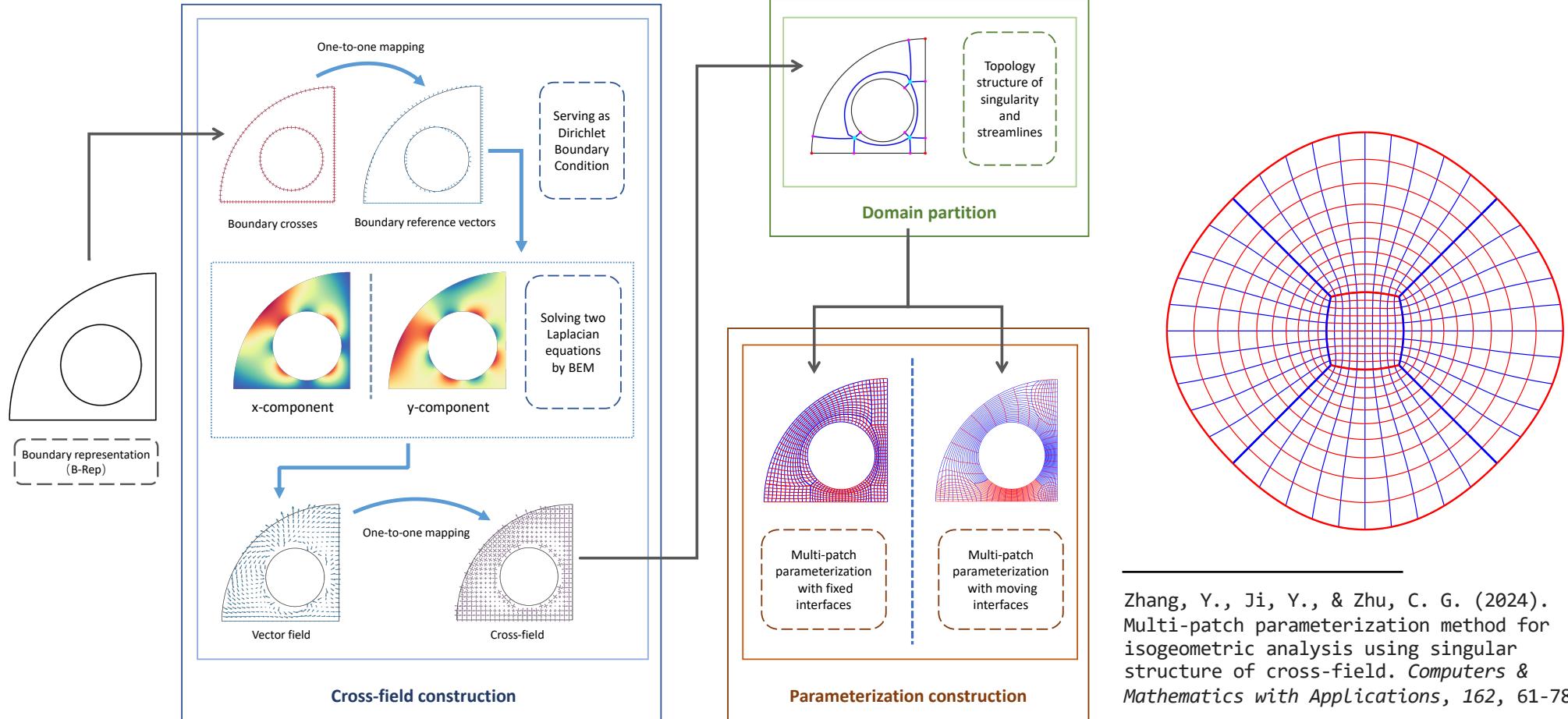


- Curve/surface reparameterization while keeping the geometry;



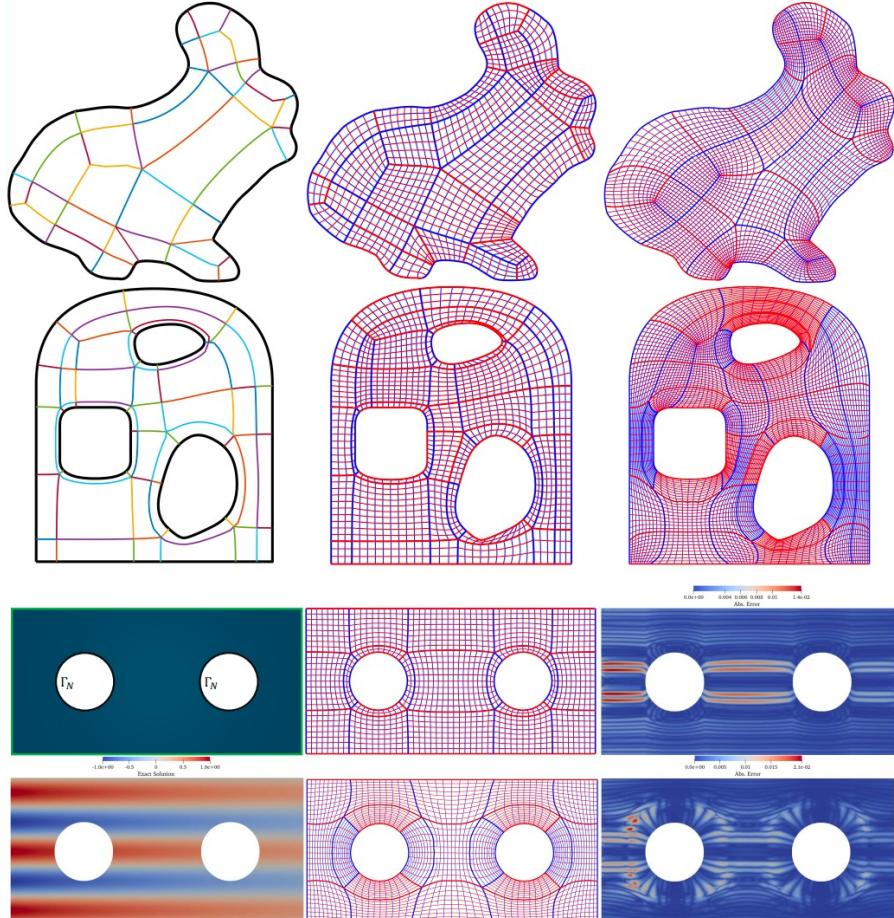
**Design Through Analysis (DTA) Tools - Matthias**  
**Wed. 10:45-12:00 Software session #2**

## Multi-patch parameterization using cross-field

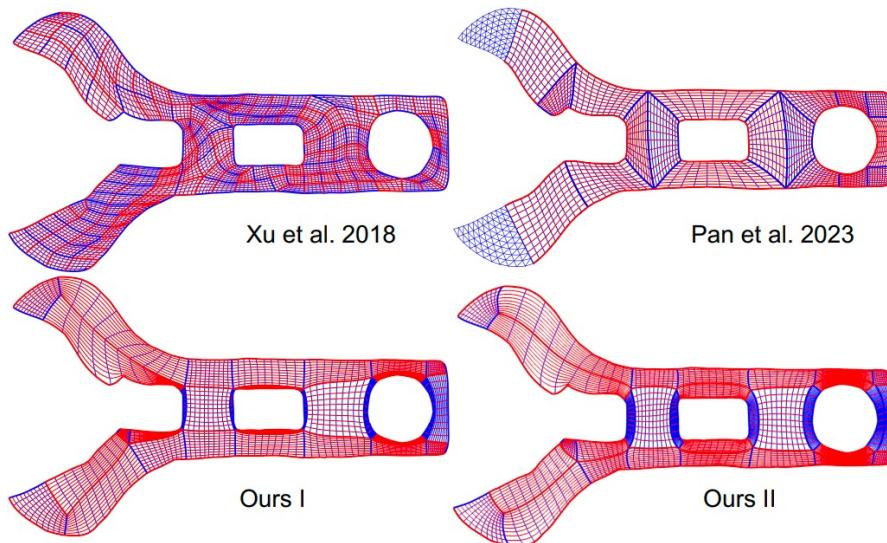


Zhang, Y., Ji, Y., & Zhu, C. G. (2024). Multi-patch parameterization method for isogeometric analysis using singular structure of cross-field. *Computers & Mathematics with Applications*, 162, 61-78.

## Multi-patch parameterization: Results and comparisons

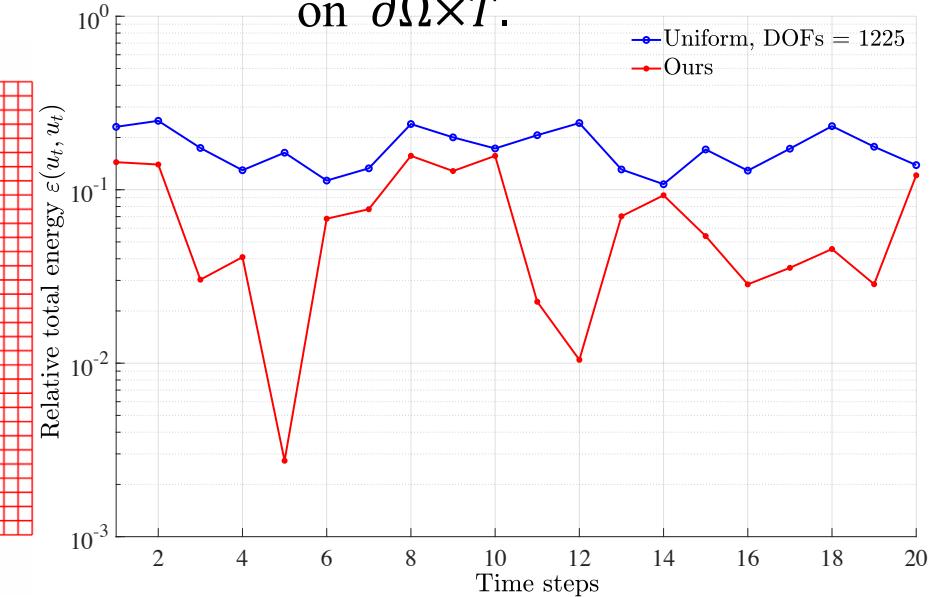
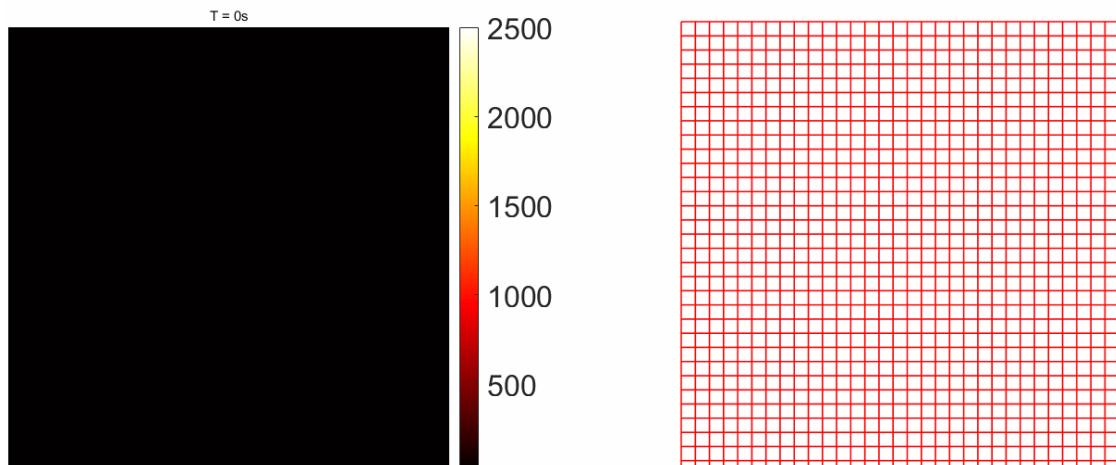


Model	#Patch	Method	$ \mathcal{J} _s$		unif.	
			min.	avg.	min.	avg.
rabbit	33	Coons	-0.8593	0.9628	0.7030	<b>0.9410</b>
		fixed-I	<b>0.2204</b>	<b>0.9504</b>	0.6103	0.9544
		moving-I	0.02918	0.9283	<b>0.0000</b>	0.9550
3 holes	46	Coons	-0.5492	0.9710	0.8008	0.9573
		fixed-I	<b>0.1545</b>	<b>0.9716</b>	0.8007	0.9573
		moving-I	0.1461	0.9361	<b>0.6791</b>	<b>0.9571</b>



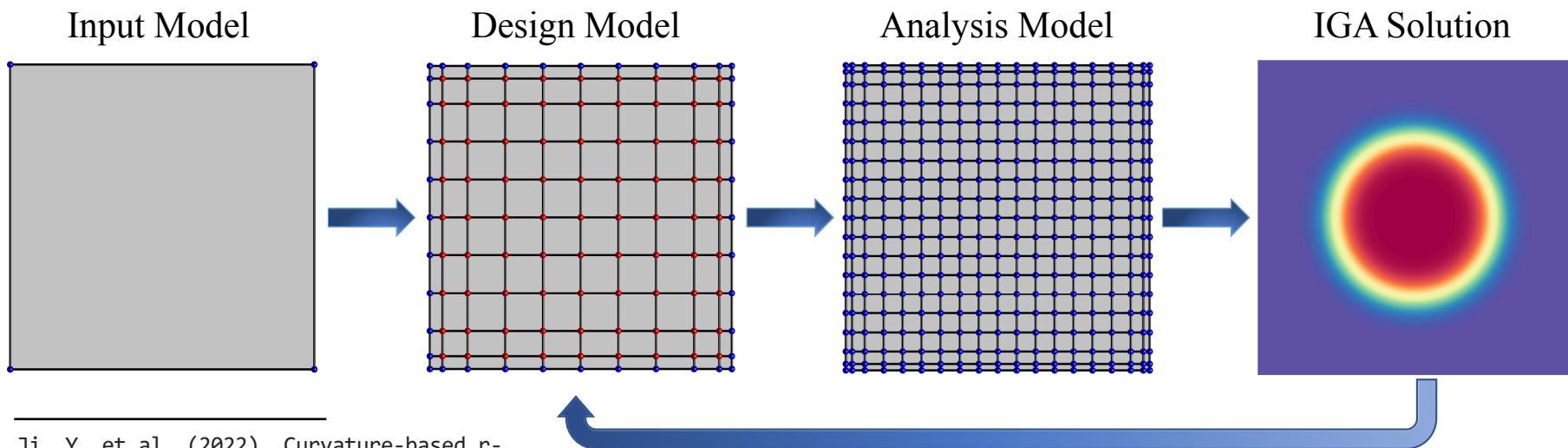
- Consider a two-dimensional linear heat transfer problem with a moving Gaussian heat source:

$$\begin{cases} C_p \rho \frac{\partial u(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, t)) = f(\mathbf{x}, t), & \text{in } \Omega \times T, \\ u(\mathbf{x}, t) = u_0, & \text{in } \Omega, \\ \kappa \nabla u(\mathbf{x}, t) = 0, & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times T. \end{cases}$$



Anisotropic parameterizations are often solution-dependent:

- Need **good numerical solution accuracy** to drive parameterization;
- Adjust as few control points as possible **for high efficiency**;
- **Bi-level strategy:** a coarse level (design model) to update the parameterization for efficiency and a fine level (analysis model) to perform analysis for accuracy.

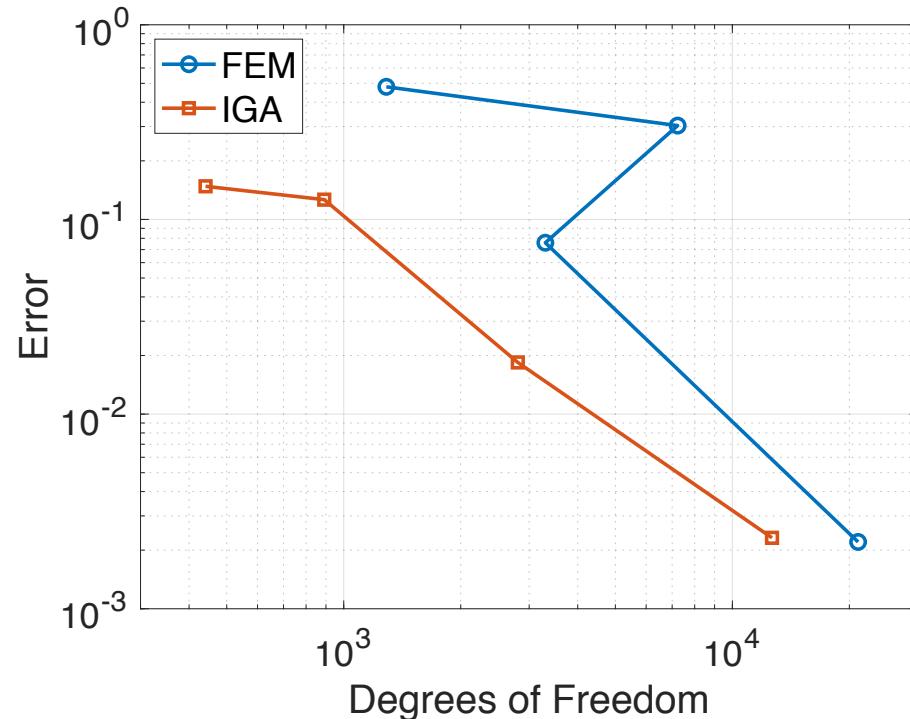
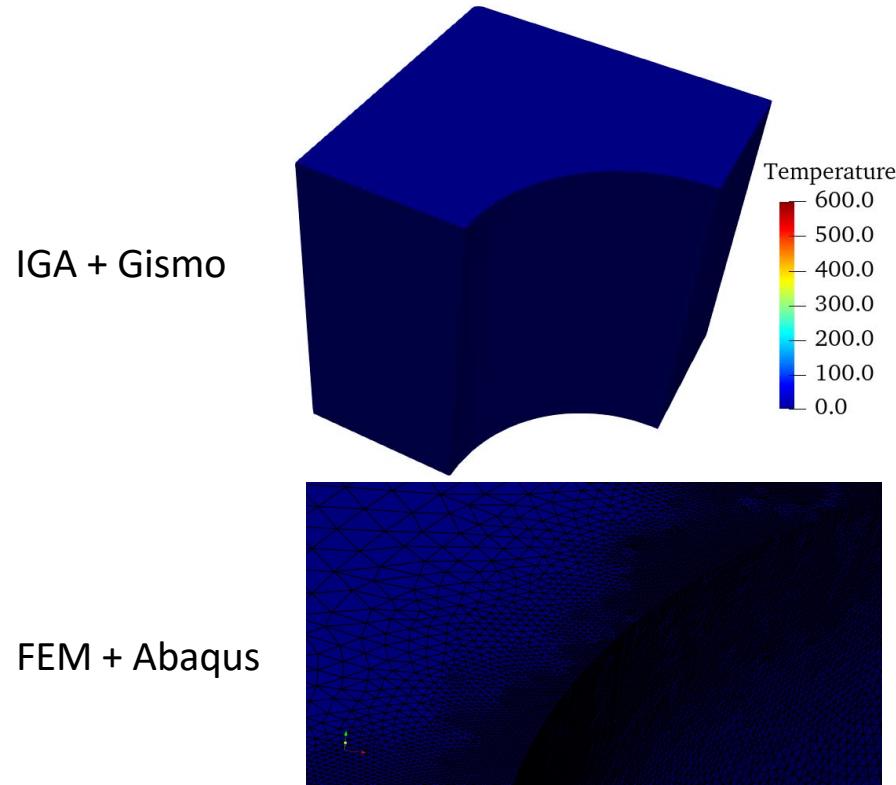


Ji, Y. et al. (2022). Curvature-based r-adaptive planar NURBS parameterization method for isogeometric analysis using bi-level approach. *Computer-Aided Design*, 150, 103305.

Objective function and sensitivity analysis



## Semi-analytical heat transfer in metal additive manufacturing



1. Yang, Y., Ji, Y., Möller, M., & Ayas, C. (2025). Computational efficient process simulation of geometrically complex parts in metal additive manufacturing. *International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer*, 248, 127059.
2. Semi-analytical heat transfer modeling in metal additive manufacturing using isogeometric analysis (manuscript in preparation)

# Physics-informed neural parameterization for IGA

## Network & Training

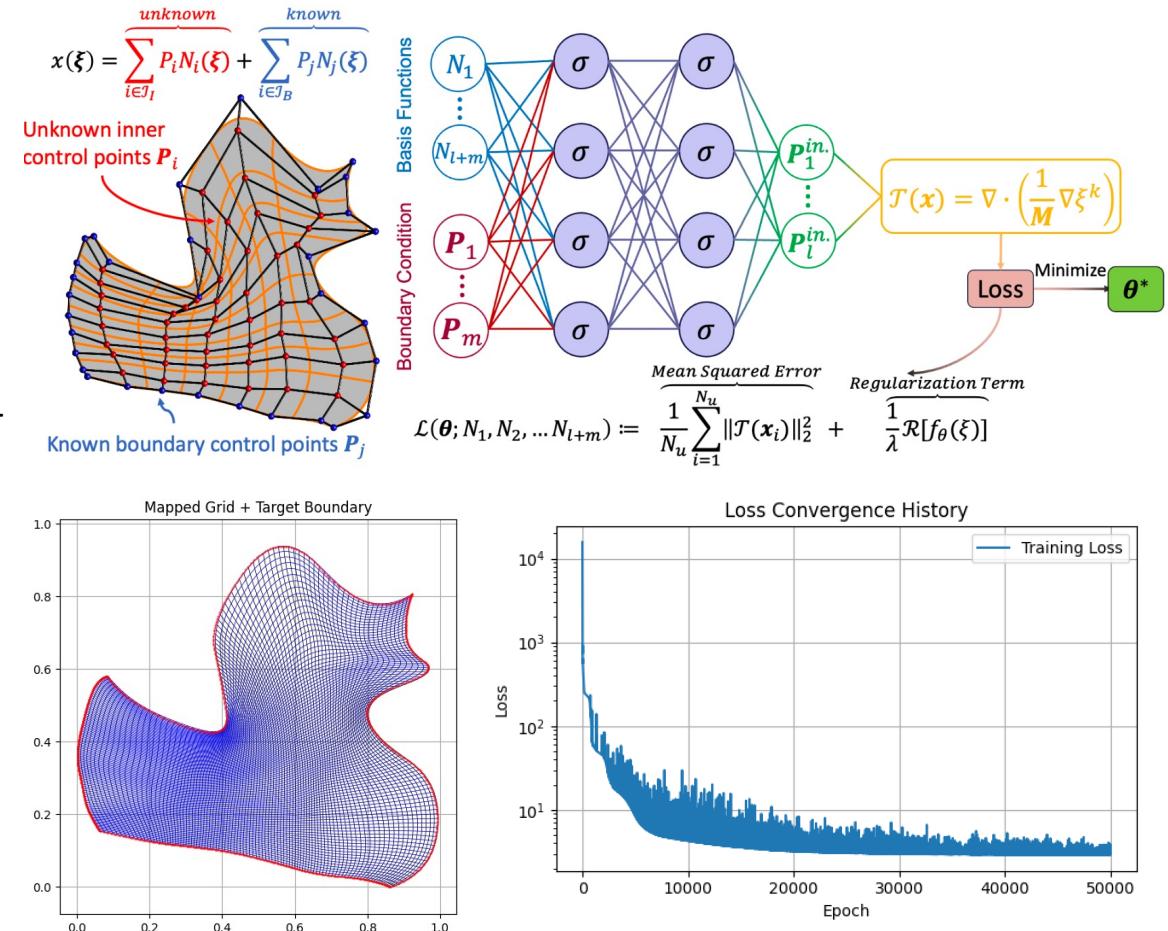
- 4 fully-connected layers, tanh activations
- Optimizer: Adam, learning rate =  $1e-3$
- Epochs: 50,000

## Loss Function

- Interior Loss: Jacobian-regularized Winslow energy  $\Rightarrow$  smooth & invertible
- Boundary Loss: MSE between predicted and B-spline-defined boundaries

✓ Powerful auto differentiation tools make it easy to implement;  
✗ No better than the current "classical" method; **12 min 1.4 sec. (PINN) vs 0.014 sec. (PDE) vs 0.0673 sec. (opt.)**

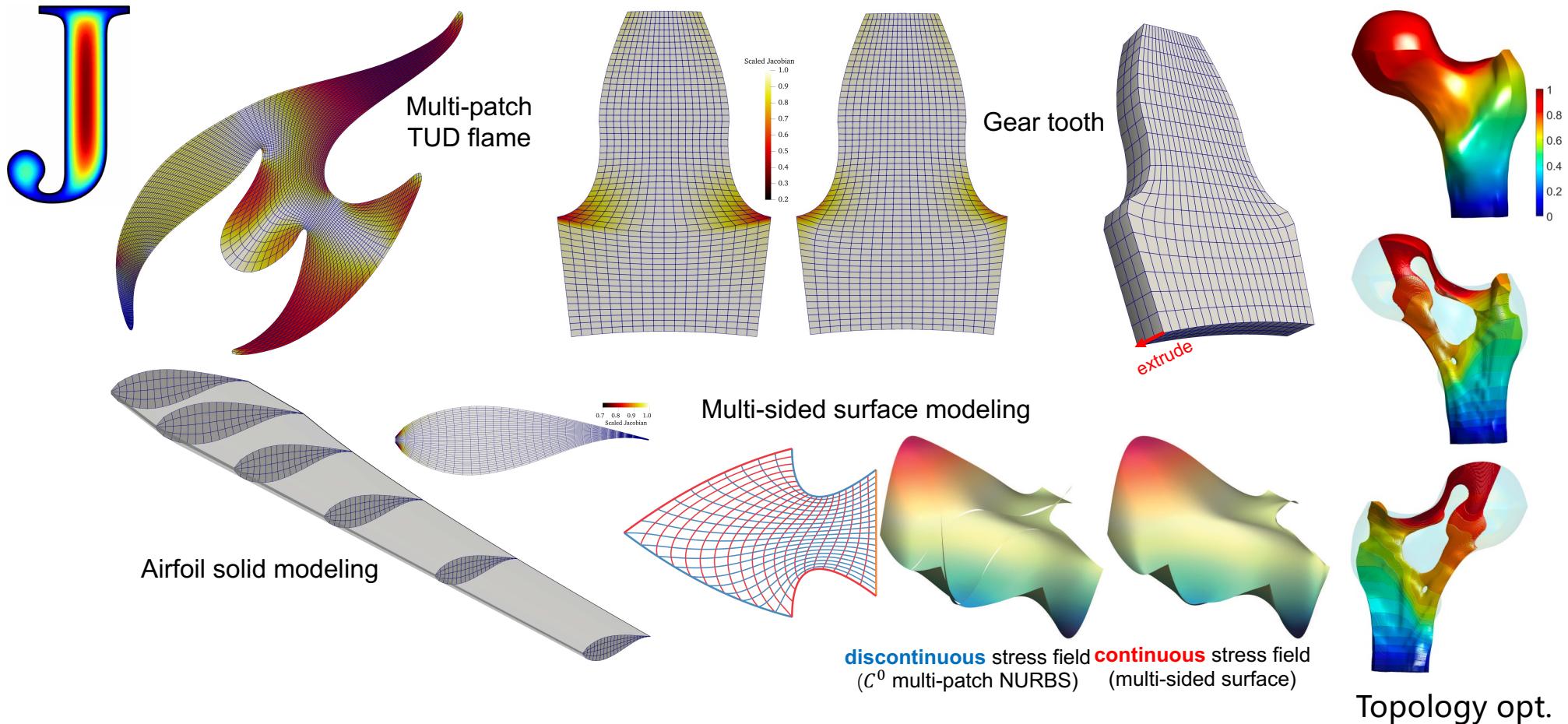
Not an "AI guy" (yet) myself, but very interested in bridging AI with geometry and simulation.



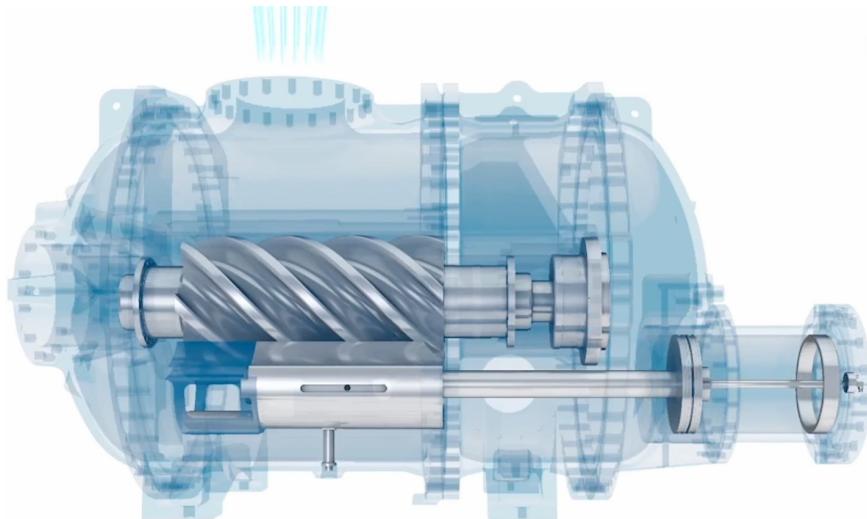
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## || Applications: Academic use cases

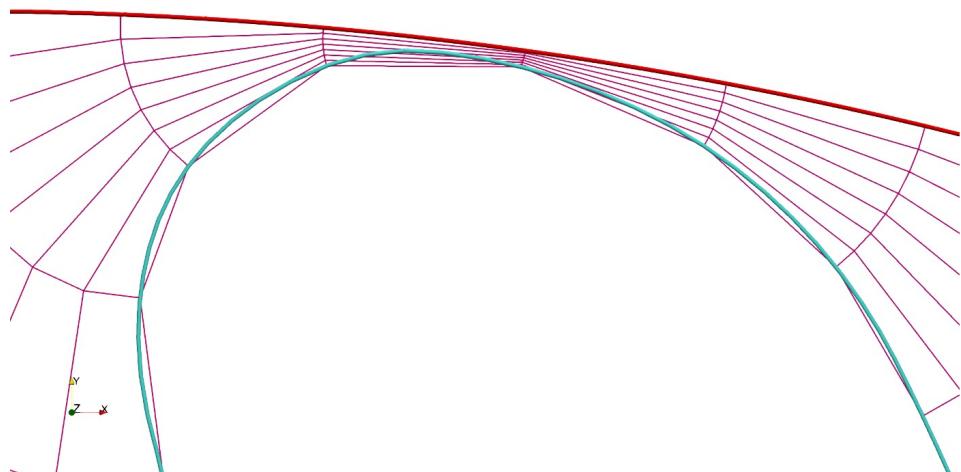


## Applications: Industrial use case



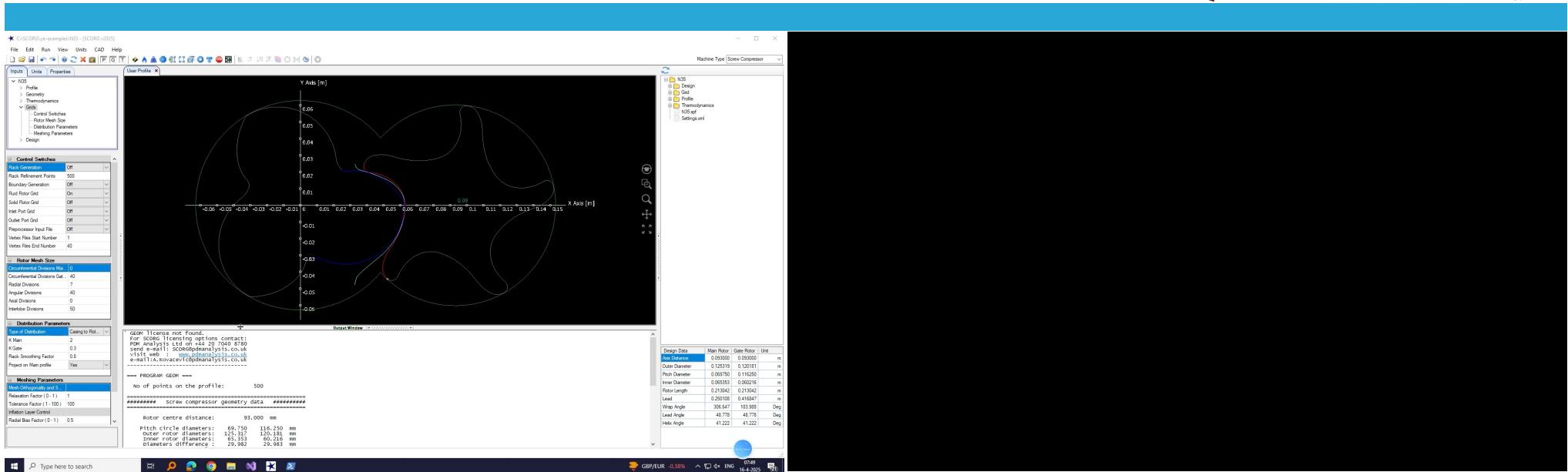
Rotary twin-screw compressor

- **Structured mesh generation** is a crucial preprocessing step in the simulation-based analysis of twin-screw machines.
- However, the existing mesh generators typically produce only **linear meshes with straight-sided cells**;
- **Analysis-suitable, high-order NURBS parameterizations.**

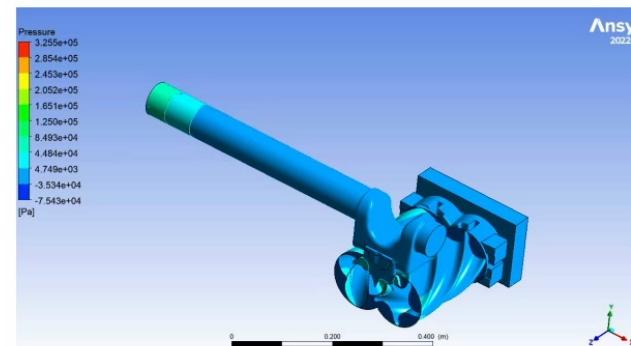


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# Scorg VS. SplineMesh



Scorg



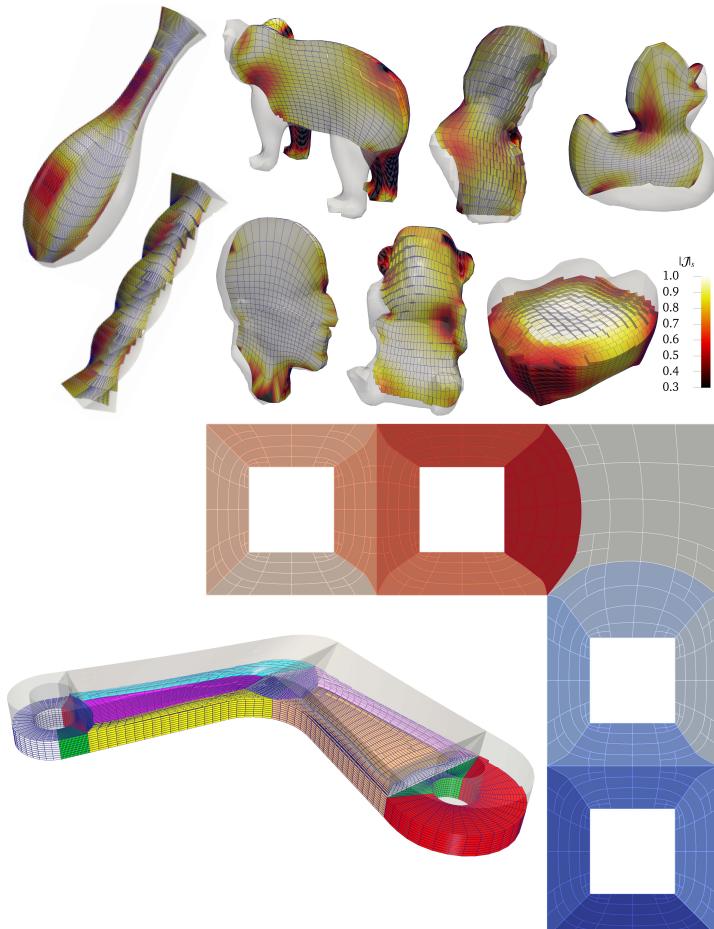
SplineMesh

ANSYS CFX simulation

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- **G+Smoo offers** three major classes of **parameterization methods**;
- Demonstrates **improved robustness and efficiency** over existing methods;
- Applicability in both **academic** and **real-world industry scenarios**;
  
- Future Work:
  - Exploring **AI techniques** for geometric modelling and design-through-analysis (DTA) workflows;
  - Developing a user-friendly **graphical user interface** to support broader adoption.



# Many thanks for your attention!

## Q&A

If you are interested in my research, please feel free to contact me! ;-)

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