

Multi-degree smooth polar splines

a framework for design and analysis

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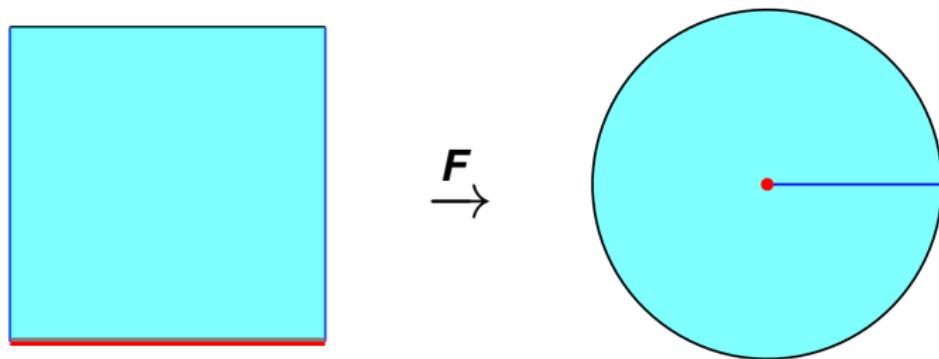
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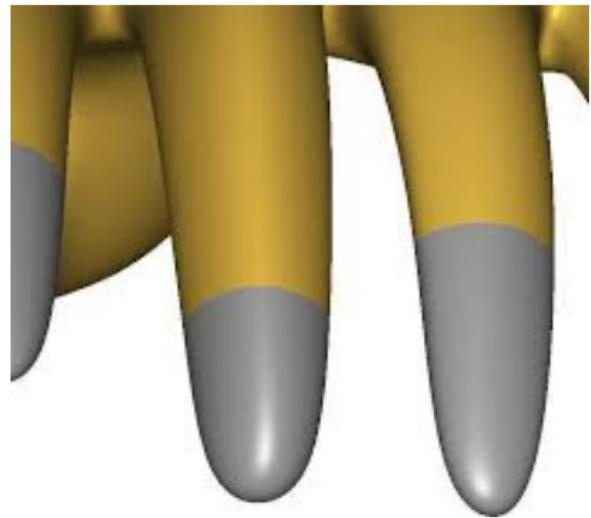
Where?

- surfaces of revolution
- filleting an end-point of a part with large radius

(For, e.g., the head of an airplane, end of a screwdriver)

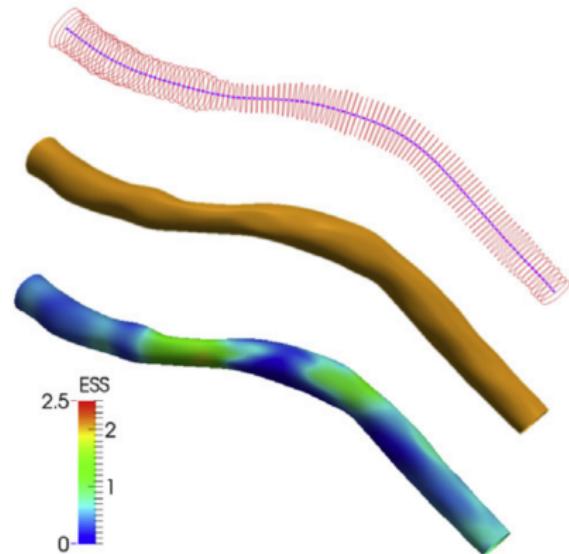
Polar splines: Applications

in computer graphics



Polar splines: Applications

in biomechanics

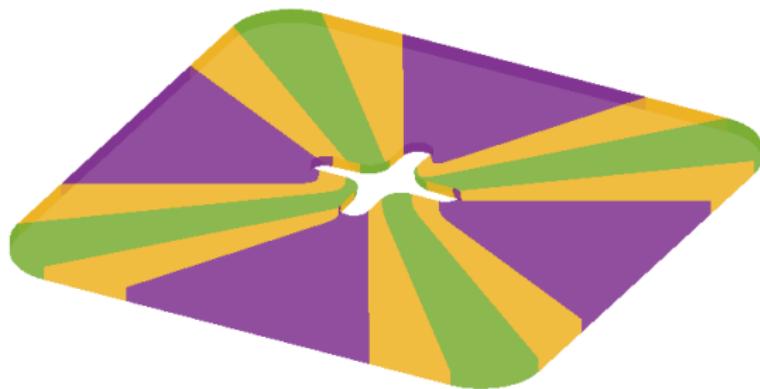


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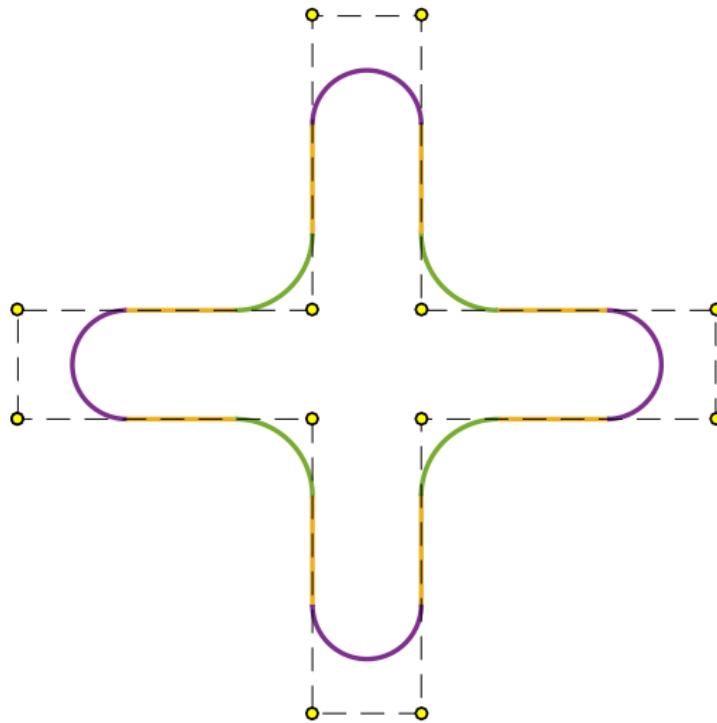
To use C^k polar spline patches as “standard” tools for design and analysis

- Analysis:
 - ▶ C^k basis functions (higher order PDEs)
 - ▶ optimal approximation behavior
- Design:
 - ▶ convex, partition of unity, “nice” basis functions
 - ▶ control net:
 - to be combined with C^k basis functions to construct C^k polar surfaces
 - to be used to manipulate such surfaces in an intuitive manner

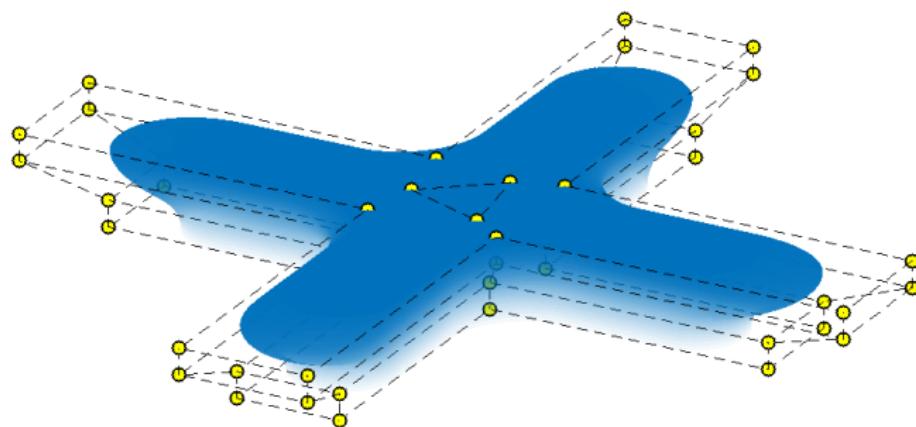
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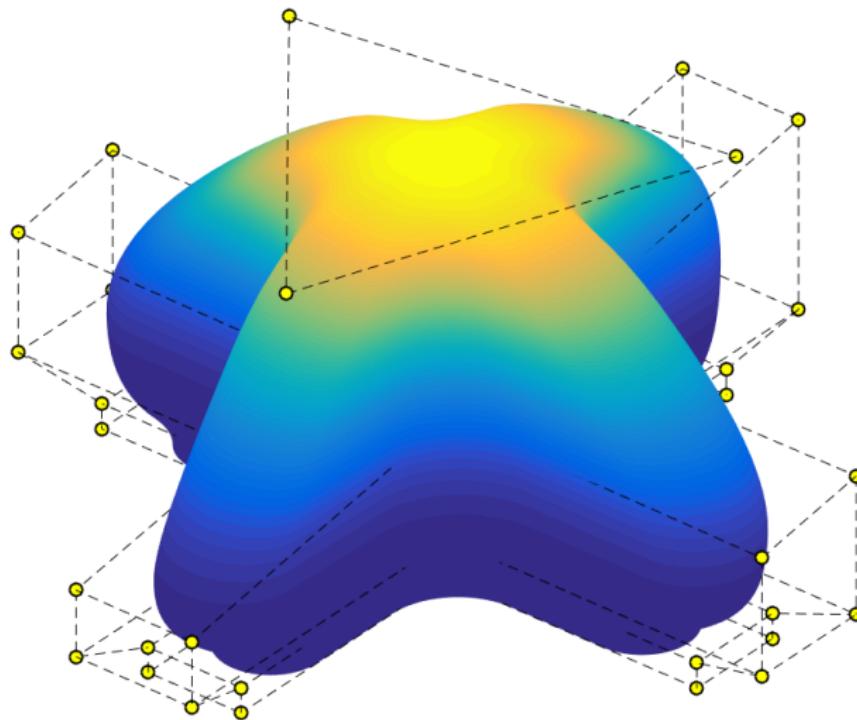
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Existing body of work

Smooth parametrization of conics

- C^k smooth circles of degree $2(k + 1)$



C. Bangert, H. Prautzsch: *Circle and sphere as rational splines*. Neural Parallel Scient. Comput. 5 (1997)

- Smooth circular elements



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Non-uniform degree splines

- Multi-degree splines



T.W. Sederberg, J. Zheng, X. Song: *Knot intervals and multi-degree splines* Comput. Aided Geom. Des. 20 (2003)

- Changeable degree splines



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Polar surfaces

- C^1 and C^2 polar subdivision surfaces



K. Karčiauskas, J. Peters: *Bicubic polar subdivision*. ACM Trans. Graph. 26 (2007)



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- C^2 polar splines



A. Myles, J. Peters: *C^2 splines covering polar configurations* Comput. Aided Des. 43 (2011)

- G^k polar NURBS



K.-L. Shi, et al.: *G^n blending multiple surfaces in polar coordinates*. Comput. Aided Des. 42 (2010)



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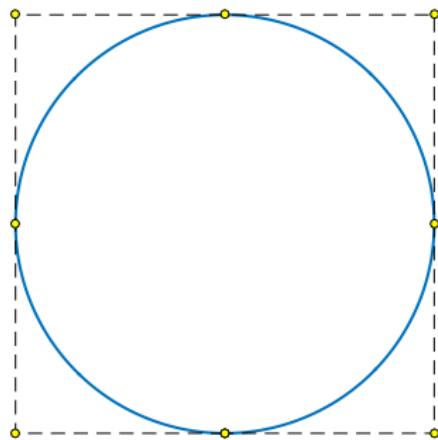
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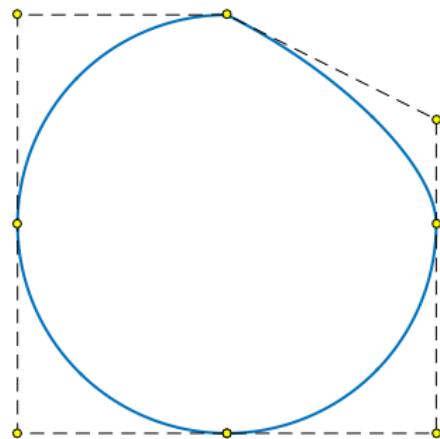


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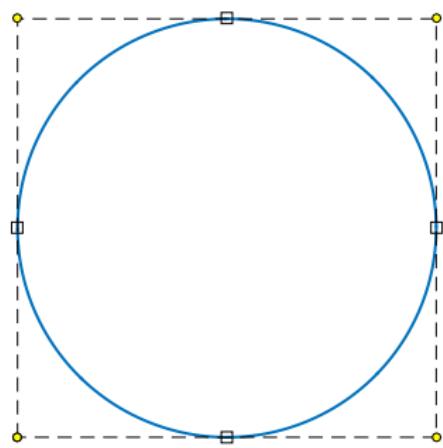
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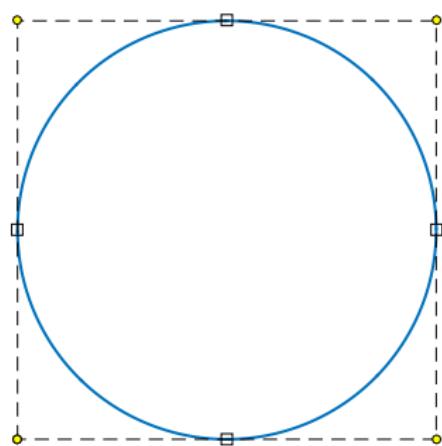
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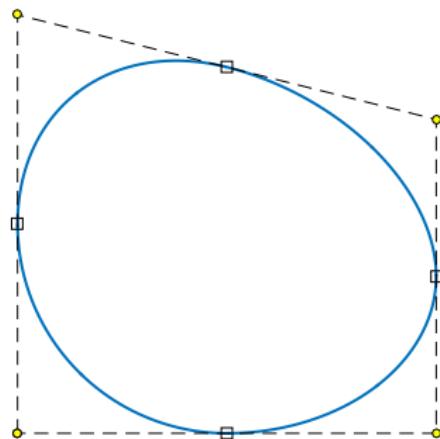
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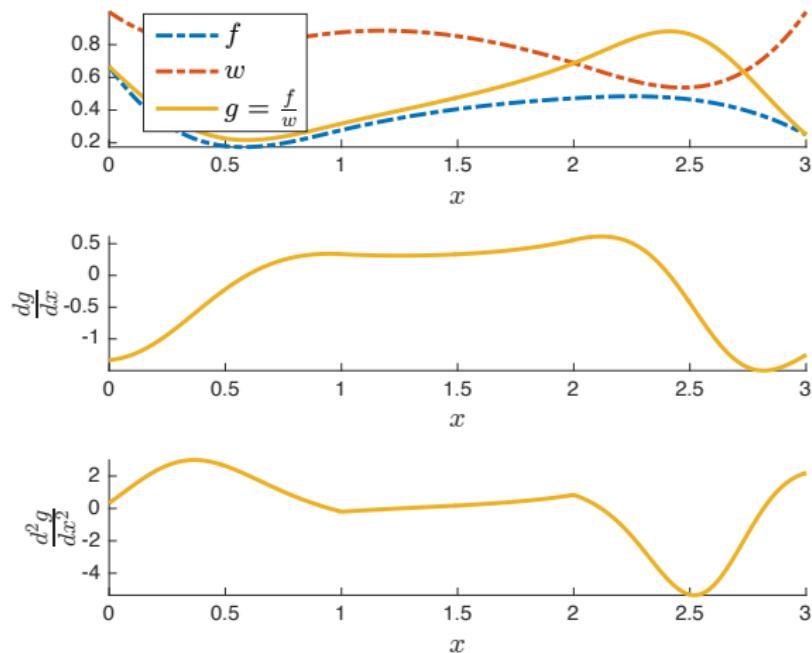
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These splines are not C^0 NURBS, but C^1 piecewise-NURBS

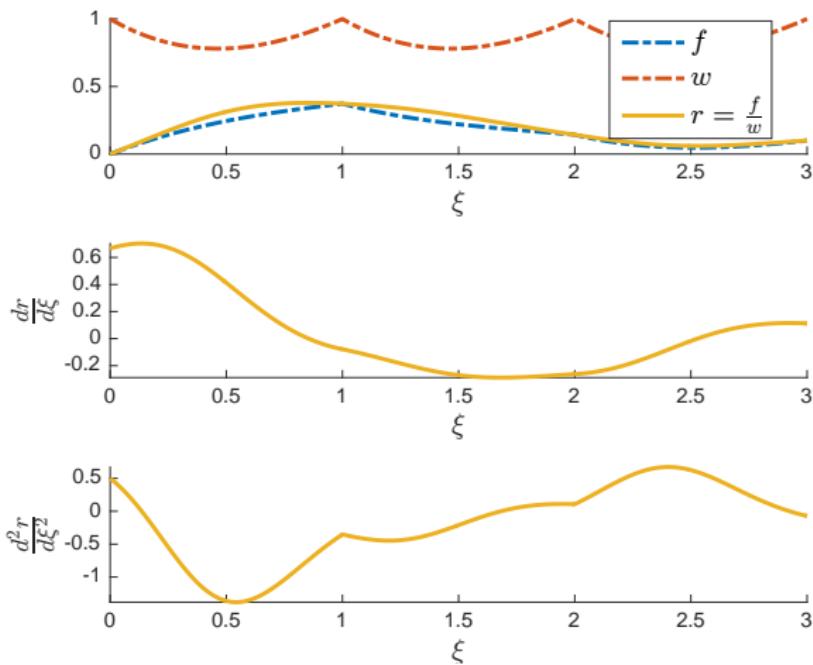
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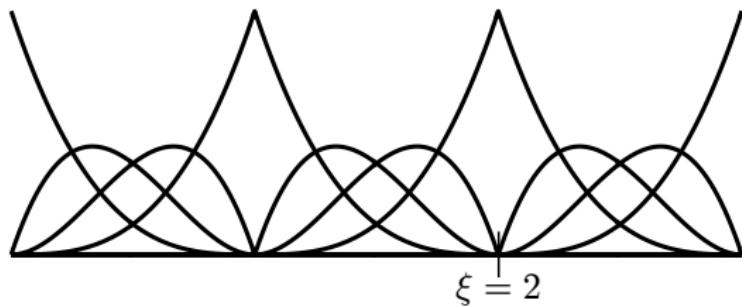
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- Maximally-sparse (B-splines are splines of minimal support)
- Non-negative entries (B-splines are non-negative)
- Each column sums up to 1 (B-splines form a partition of unity)
- Full-rank (B(asis)-splines)

Smoothness constraints



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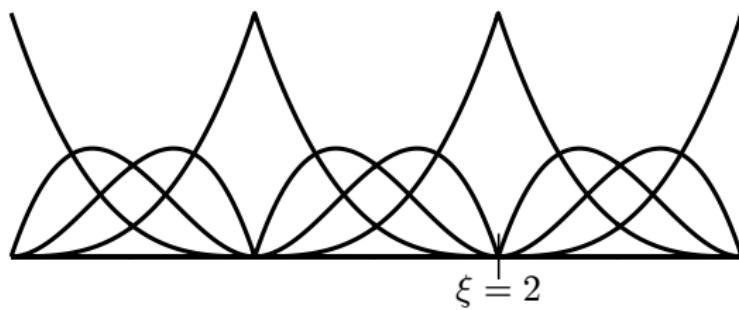
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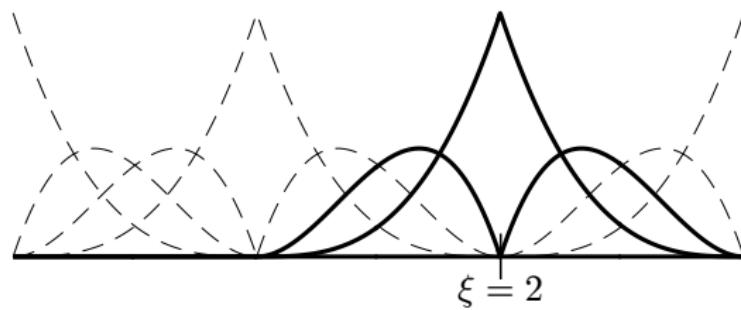
$H^T \leftarrow$ Null-space

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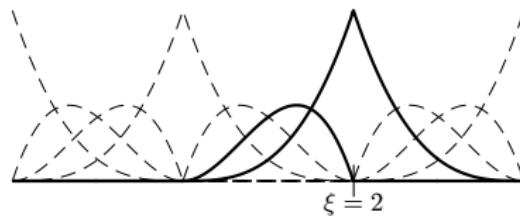
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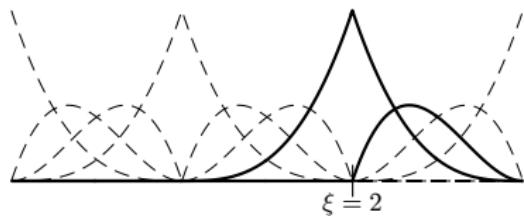
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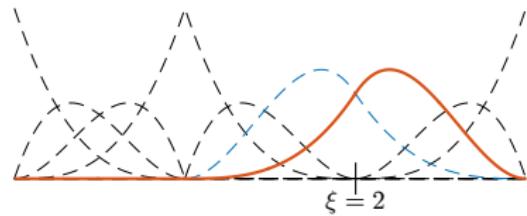
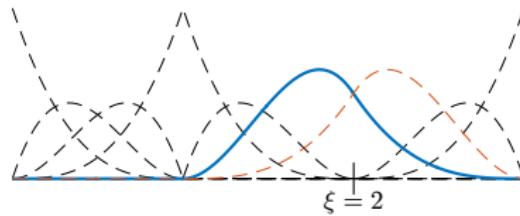
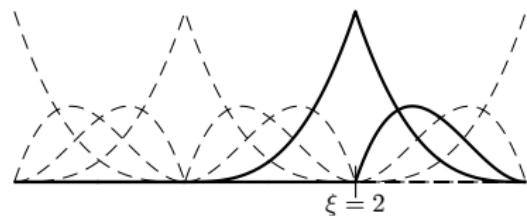
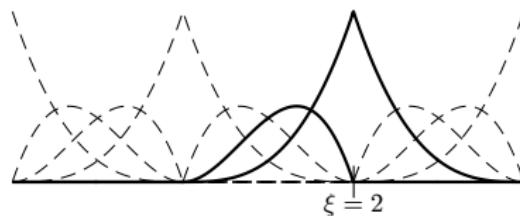
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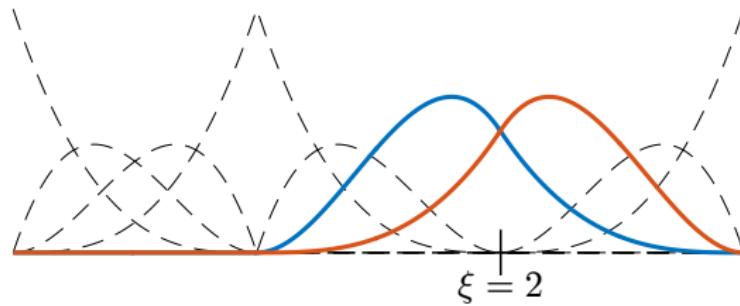
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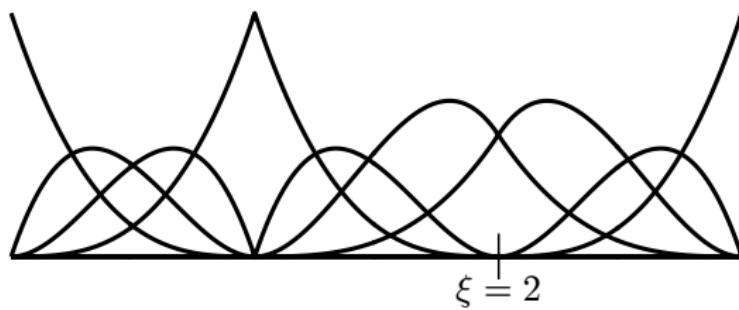
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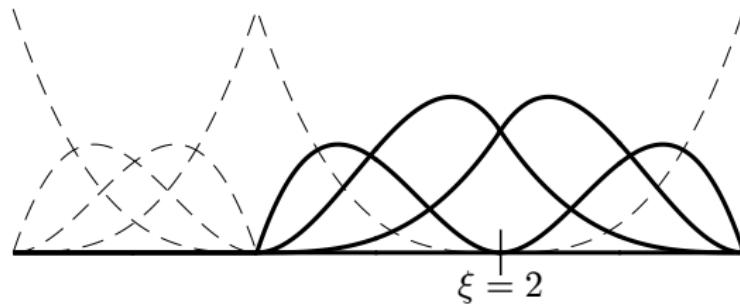
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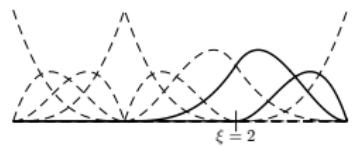
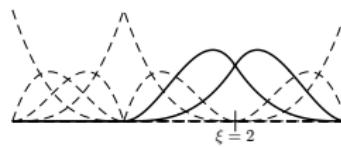
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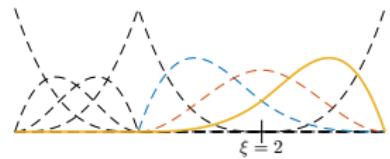
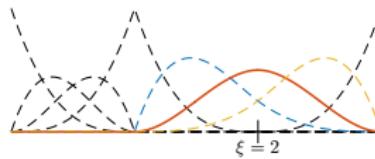
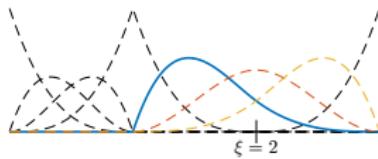
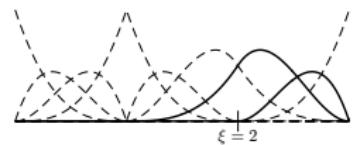
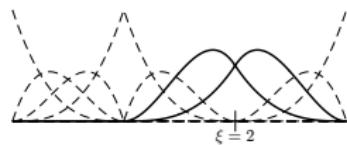


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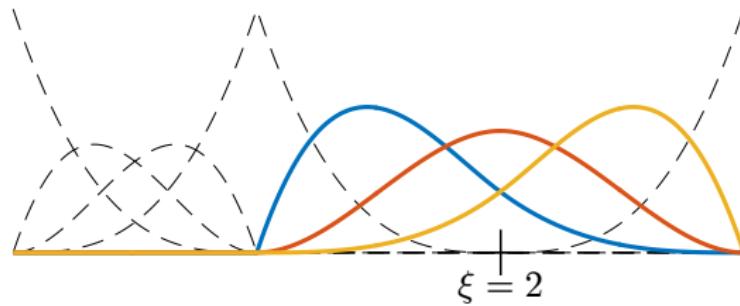


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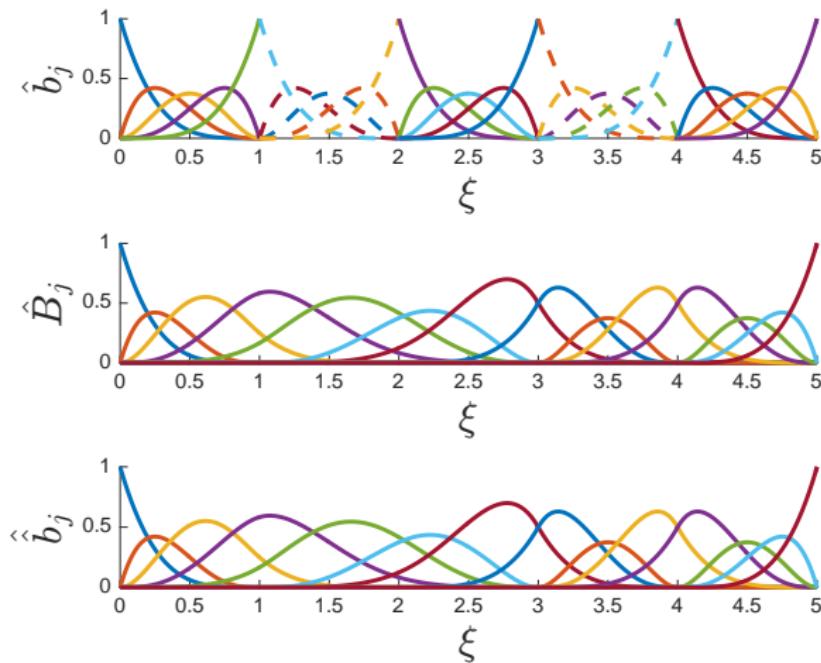
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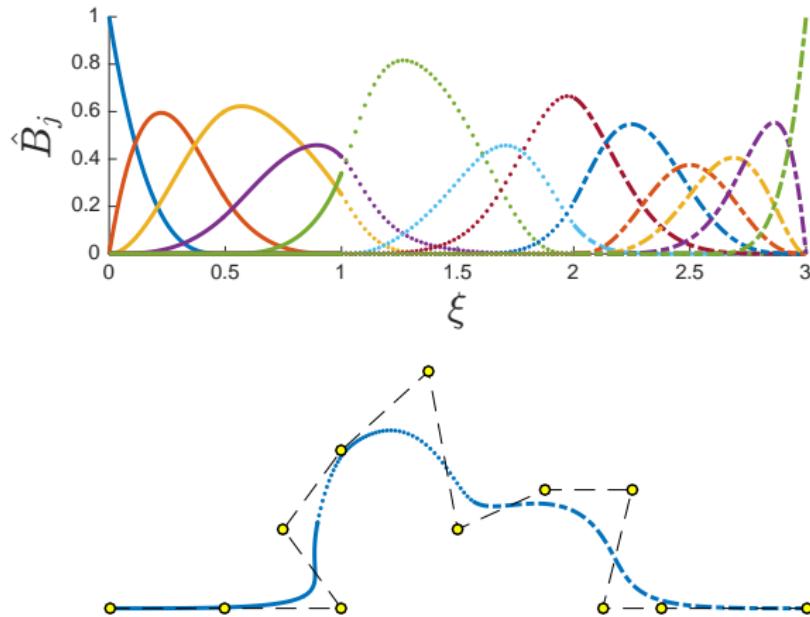
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Uniform degree B-splines



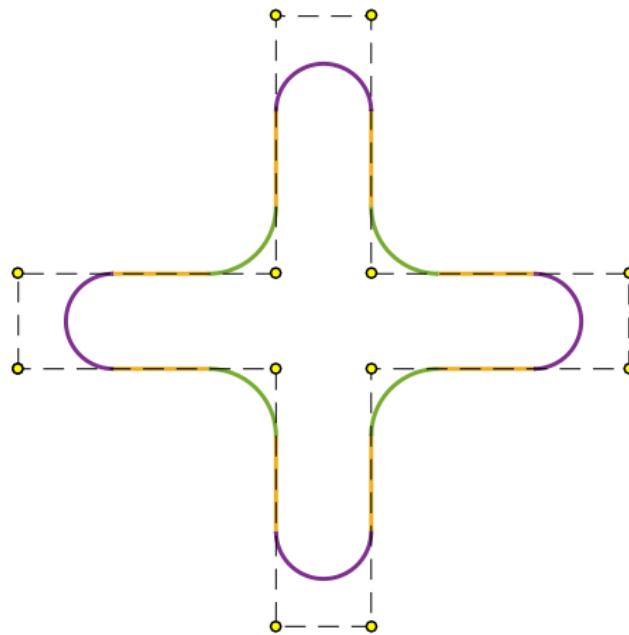
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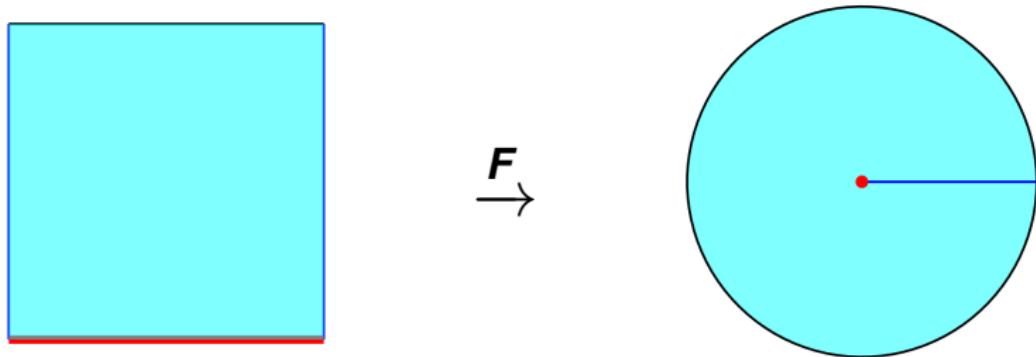
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$$F : (\xi, \eta) \mapsto (u, v)$$

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C^k polar spline recipe

- ① Map tensor-product basis functions using \mathbf{F}
- ② Impose smoothness constraints at the polar point:
 - ▶ require reproduction of a linearly independent Hermite data set
 - ▶ obtain an extraction operator as the null-space of constraints

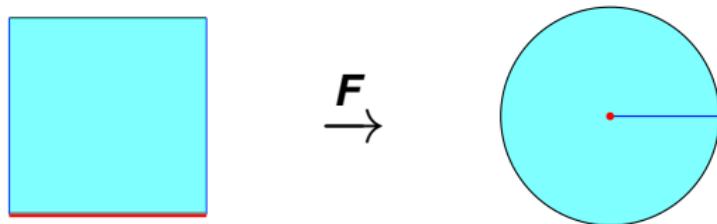
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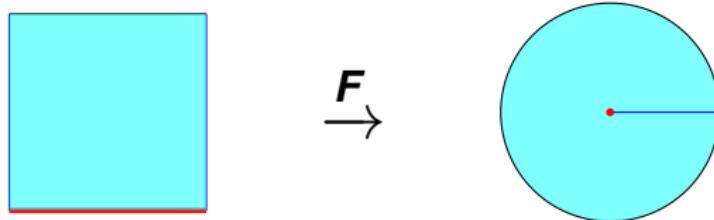
$$s(u, v) = \sum_{i=1}^{n^\xi} \sum_{j=1}^{n^\eta} s_{ij} B_{ij}(u, v)$$

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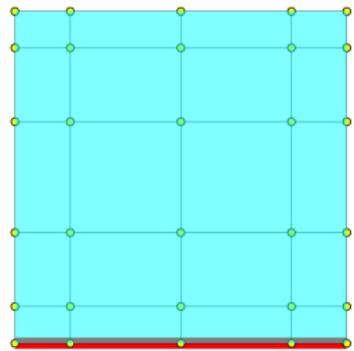


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- In general, for $C^{\geq 2}$, products of u and v must belong to $\mathcal{R}^{\xi\eta}$.

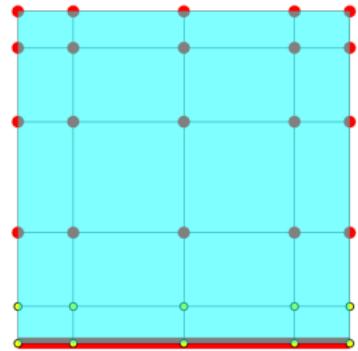
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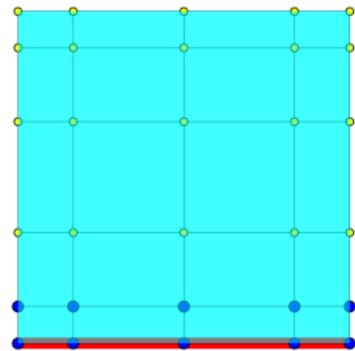
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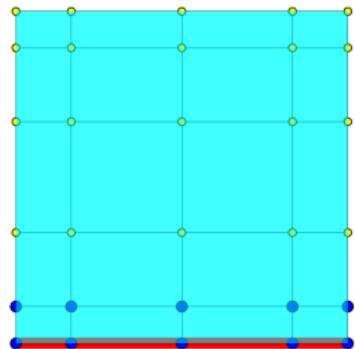
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For a flexible C^k space, we require at least $n_k = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$ basis functions non-zero at the polar point.

Polar spline extraction operator

Computation of n_k new basis functions is done as follows:

Reproduction of Hermite data at $(0, 0)$

For all $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ such that $m_1 + m_2 \leq k$,

$$\lim_{(u,v) \rightarrow (0,0)} \frac{\partial^{m_1+m_2} N_I}{\partial u^{m_1} \partial v^{m_2}}(u, v) = \frac{\partial^{m_1+m_2} T_I}{\partial u^{m_1} \partial v^{m_2}}(0, 0),$$

where $\{T_I\}_{I=1}^{n_k}$ are Bernstein polynomials of degree k defined with respect to particular triangles \mathcal{T}_k .

Polar spline extraction operator

Triangular Bernstein polynomials

Let $\mathcal{T}_k = \langle \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3 \rangle$, we have $n_k = \frac{(k+1)(k+2)}{2}$ triangular Bernstein polynomials of degree k :

$$T_{i_1 i_2 i_3}(u, v) := \binom{k}{i_1 \ i_2 \ i_3} \prod_{j=1}^3 (\lambda_j)^{i_j}, \quad i_1 + i_2 + i_3 = k$$

where $\{\lambda_j\}_{j=1}^3$ are barycentric coordinates of (u, v) with respect to \mathcal{T}_k :

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 \lambda_j \mathbf{v}_j = (u, v), \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 \lambda_j = 1$$

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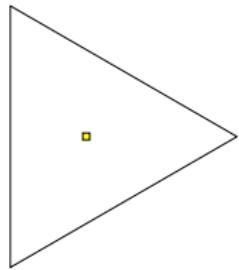
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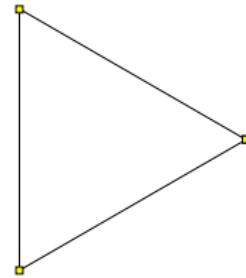
The $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^n$ form a partition of unity. Moreover, for \mathcal{T}_k sufficiently large, we are guaranteed an IGA-suitable \mathbf{E}^k

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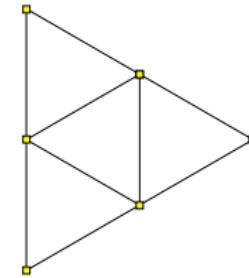
Control-net at polar point



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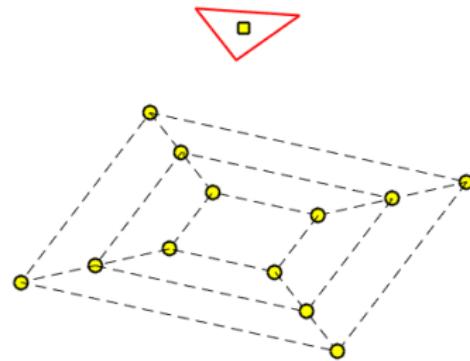
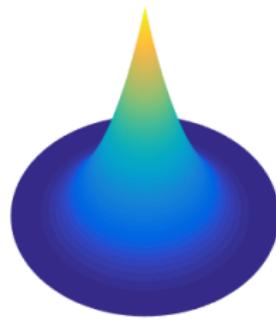
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(c) \mathcal{T}_2

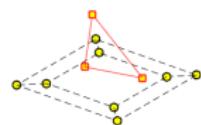
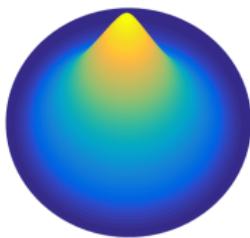
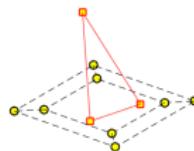
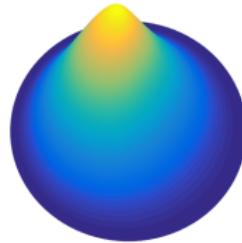
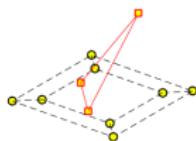
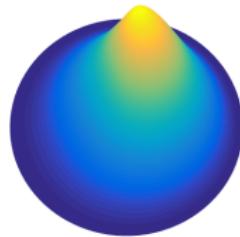
C^0 polar splines

An example of a C^0 polar basis function



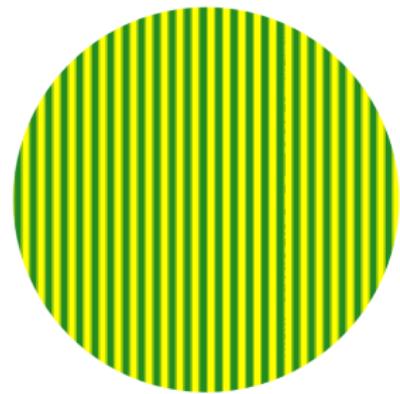
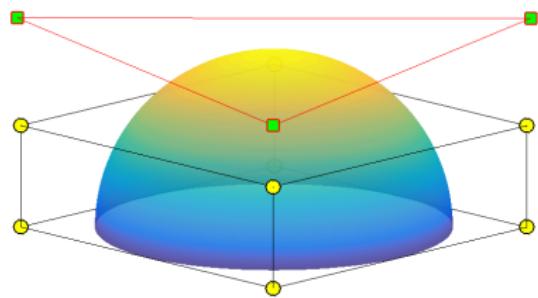
C^1 polar splines

An example of C^1 polar basis functions



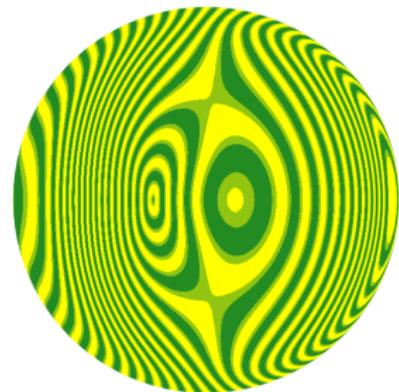
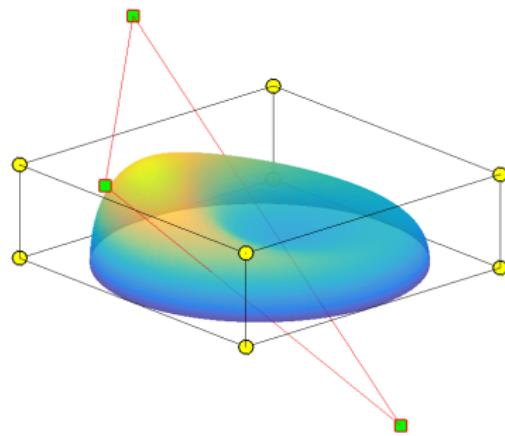
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C^1 hemisphere (original)



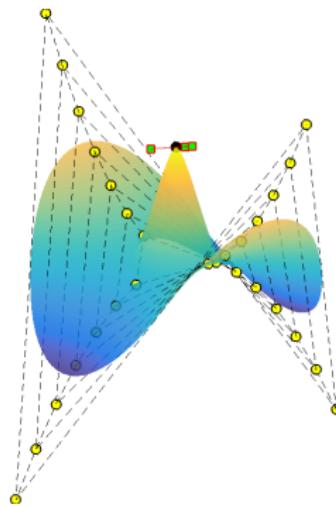
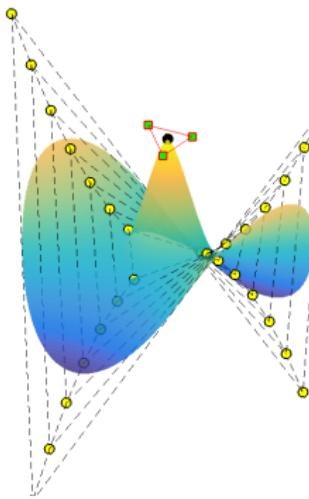
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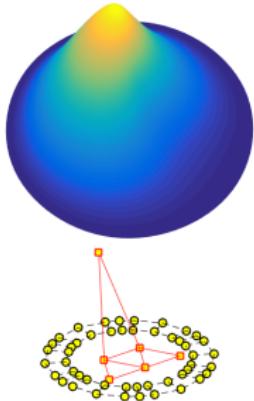
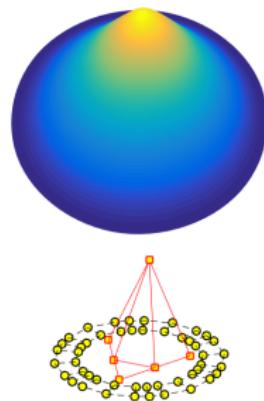
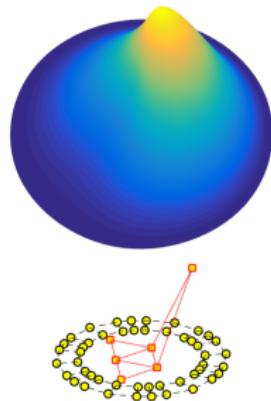
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\mathcal{T}_1 tangent to the surface



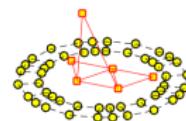
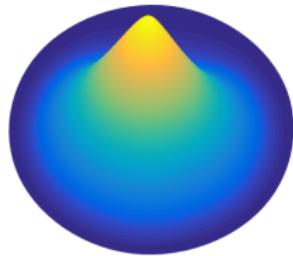
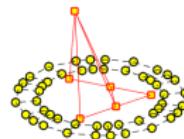
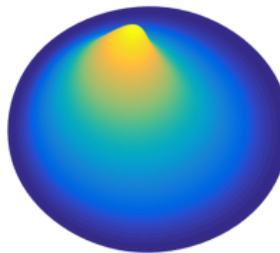
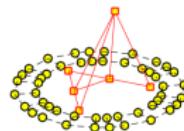
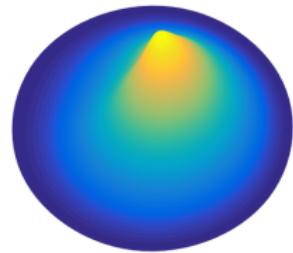
C^2 polar splines

An example of C^2 polar basis functions (first three)



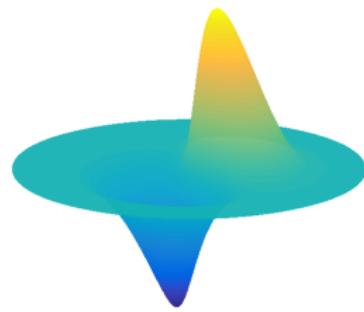
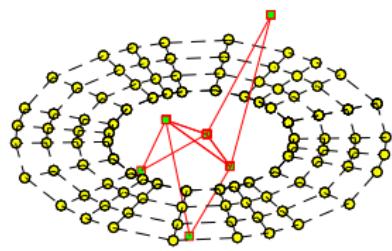
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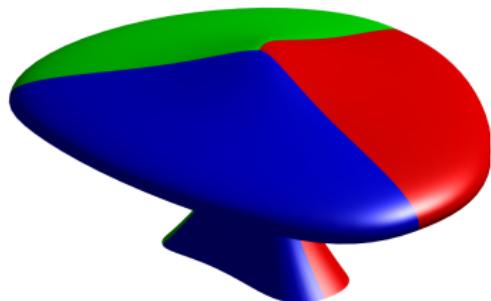
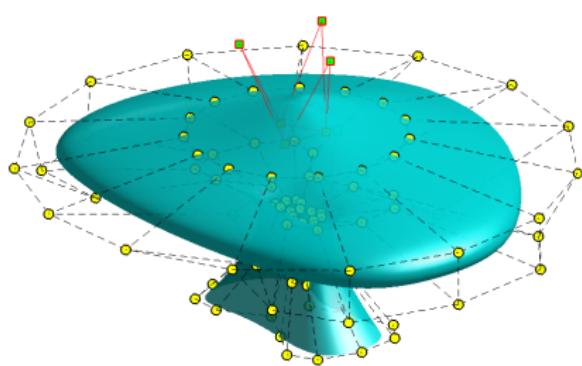
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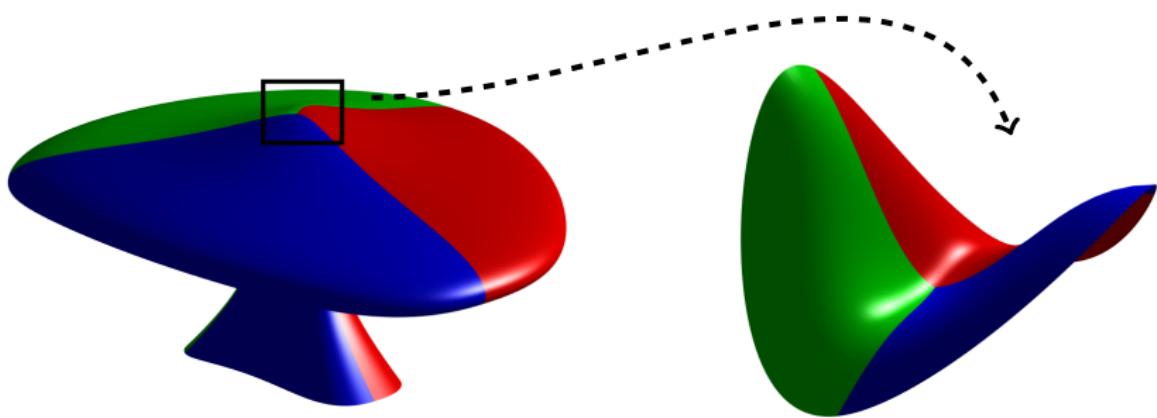
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5 Closure

Freeform design: Mushroom



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Numerical results for analysis suitability

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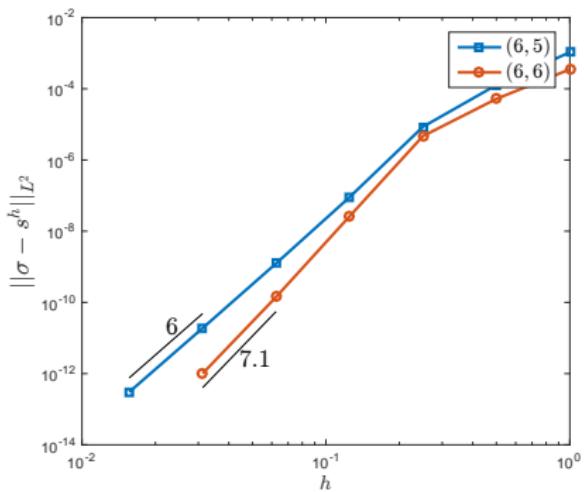
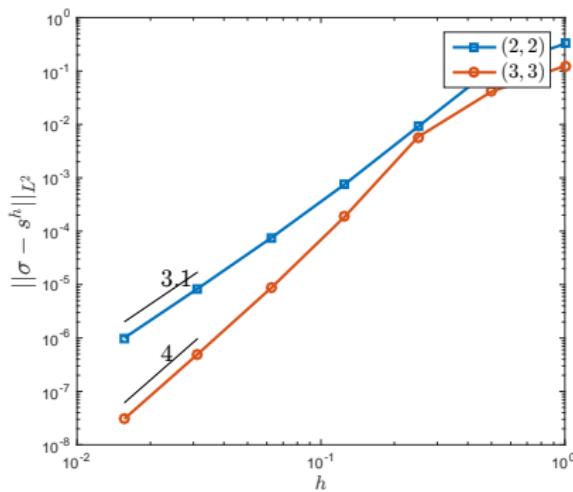
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C^1 space used: (2, 2)

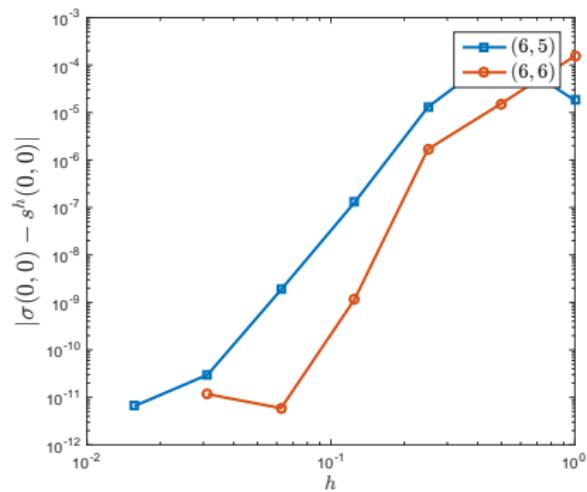
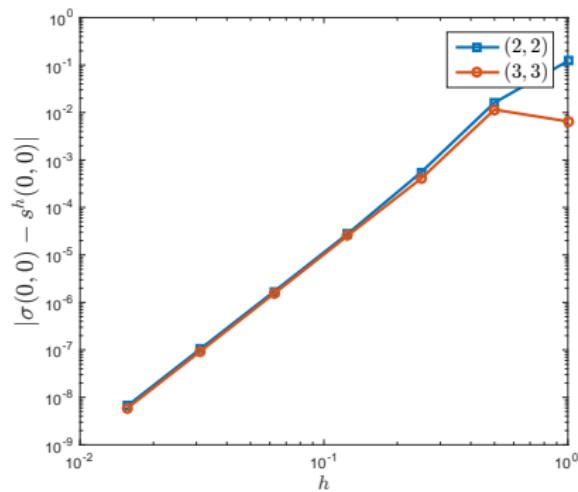
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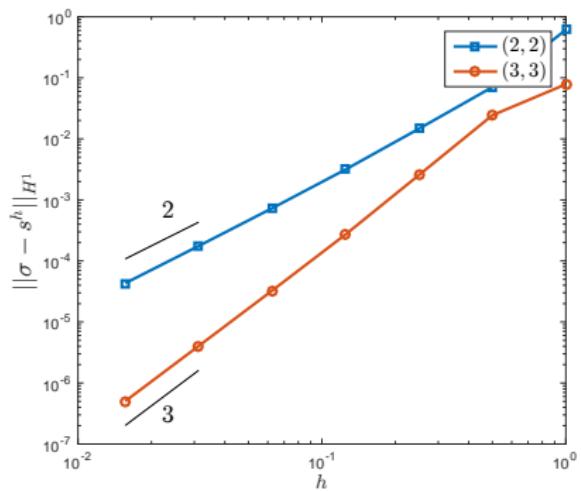
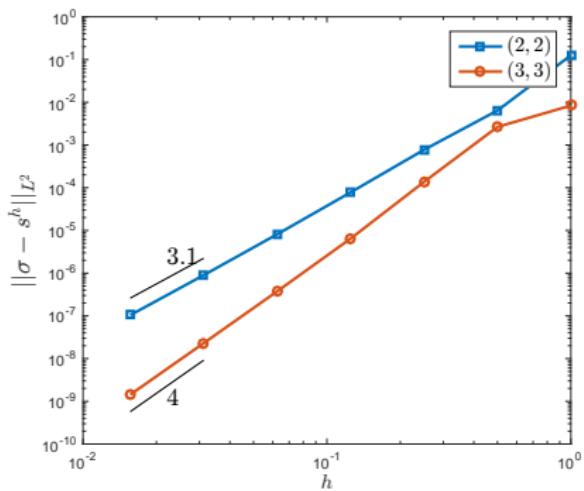
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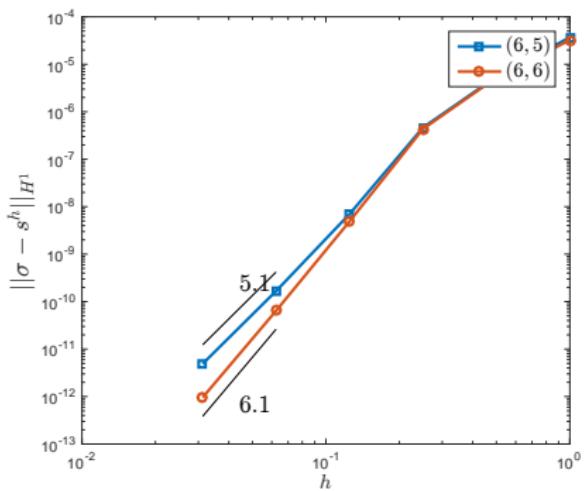
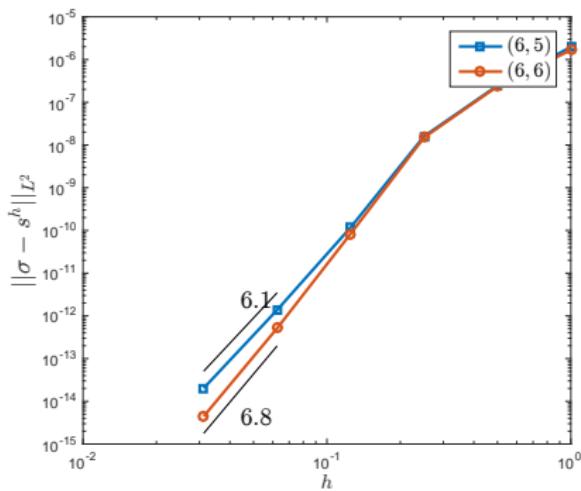
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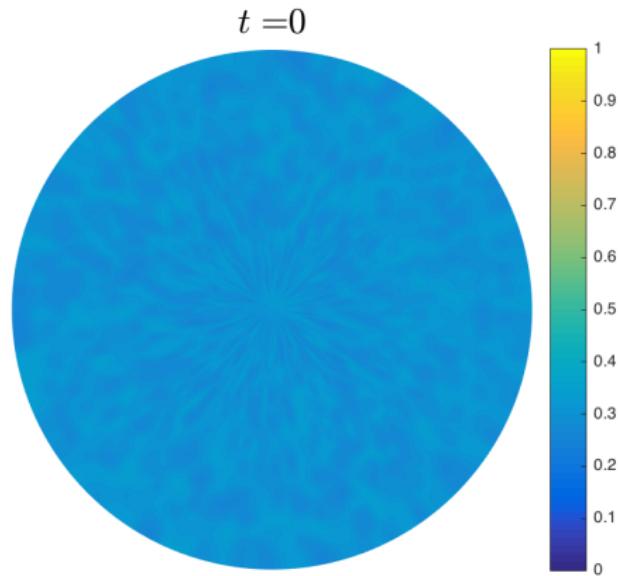
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} &= \nabla \cdot (c(1-c)\nabla(\mathbb{N}_2\mu_c - \Delta c)) \quad \text{on } \Omega \times [0, T], \\ c(1-c)\nabla\mu_c \cdot \mathbf{n} &= 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, T], \\ c(1-c)\nabla c \cdot \mathbf{n} &= 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega \times [0, T], \\ c(\mathbf{x}, 0) &= c_0 \quad \text{on } \Omega, \end{aligned}$$

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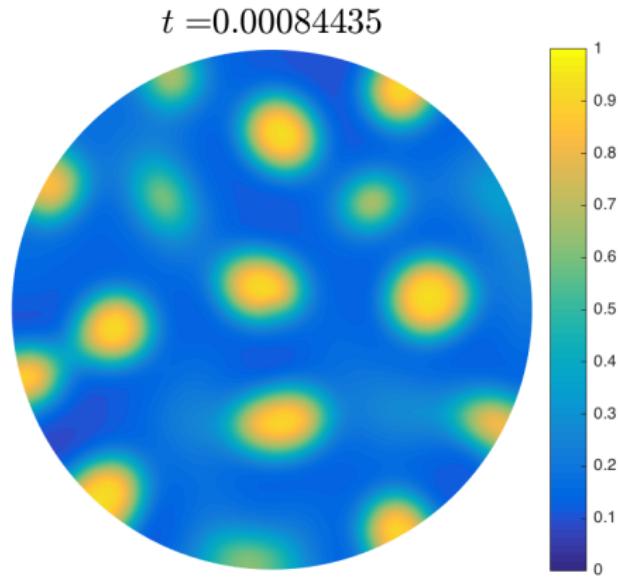
$$\mu_c := \frac{1}{3} \log \left(\frac{c}{1-c} \right) + 1 - 2c$$

initial volume-fraction $\bar{c} = 0.3 + \text{noise}$, $\mathbb{N}_2: 753.08$

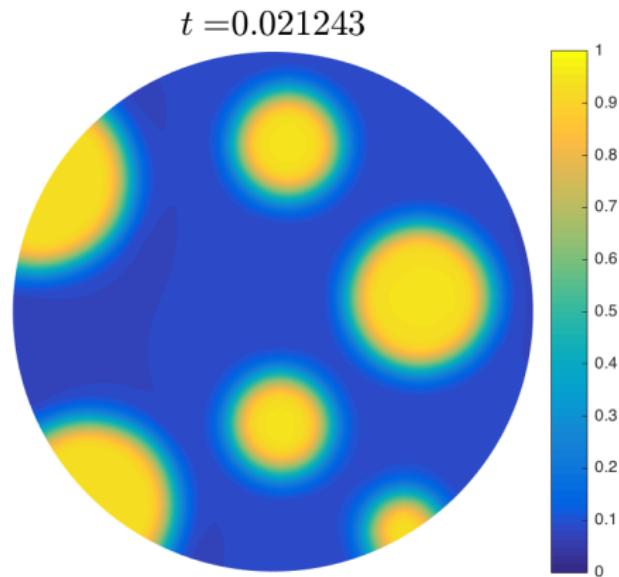
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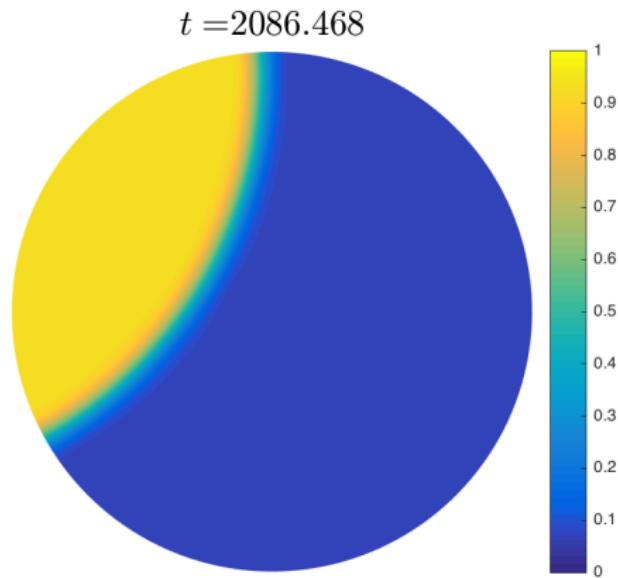
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