

# A Bézier-Based Approach to Unstructured Moving Meshes

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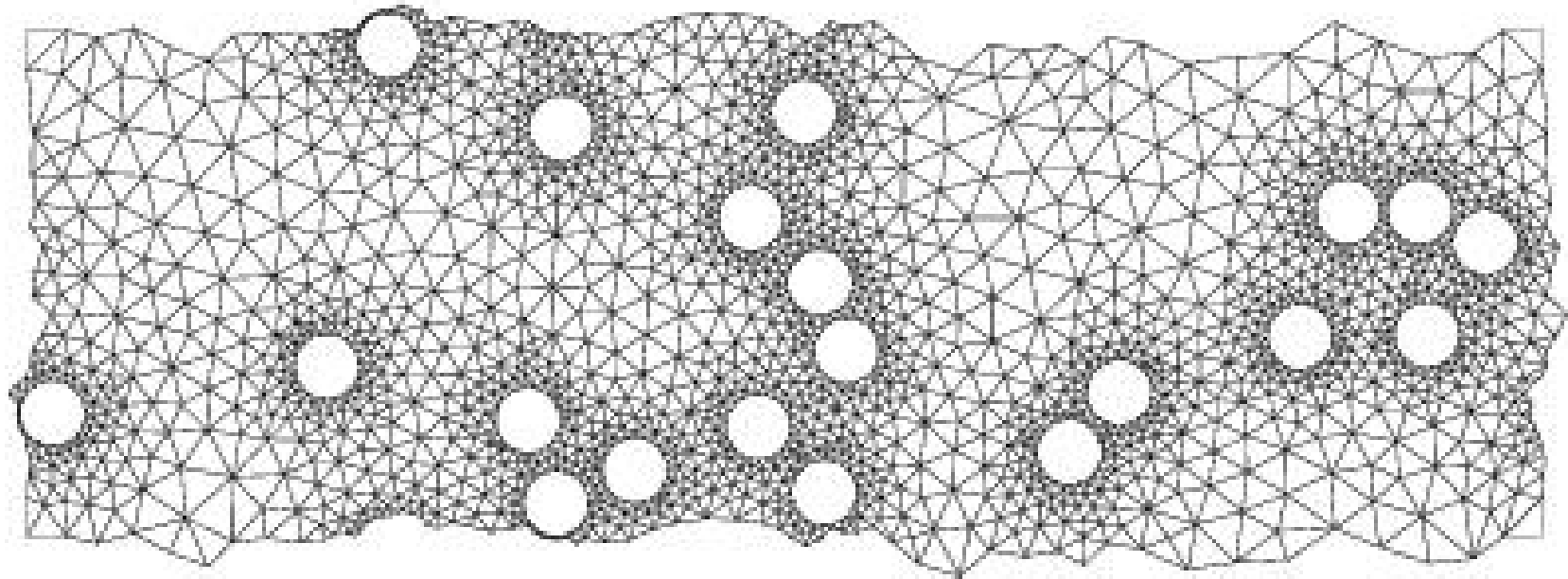
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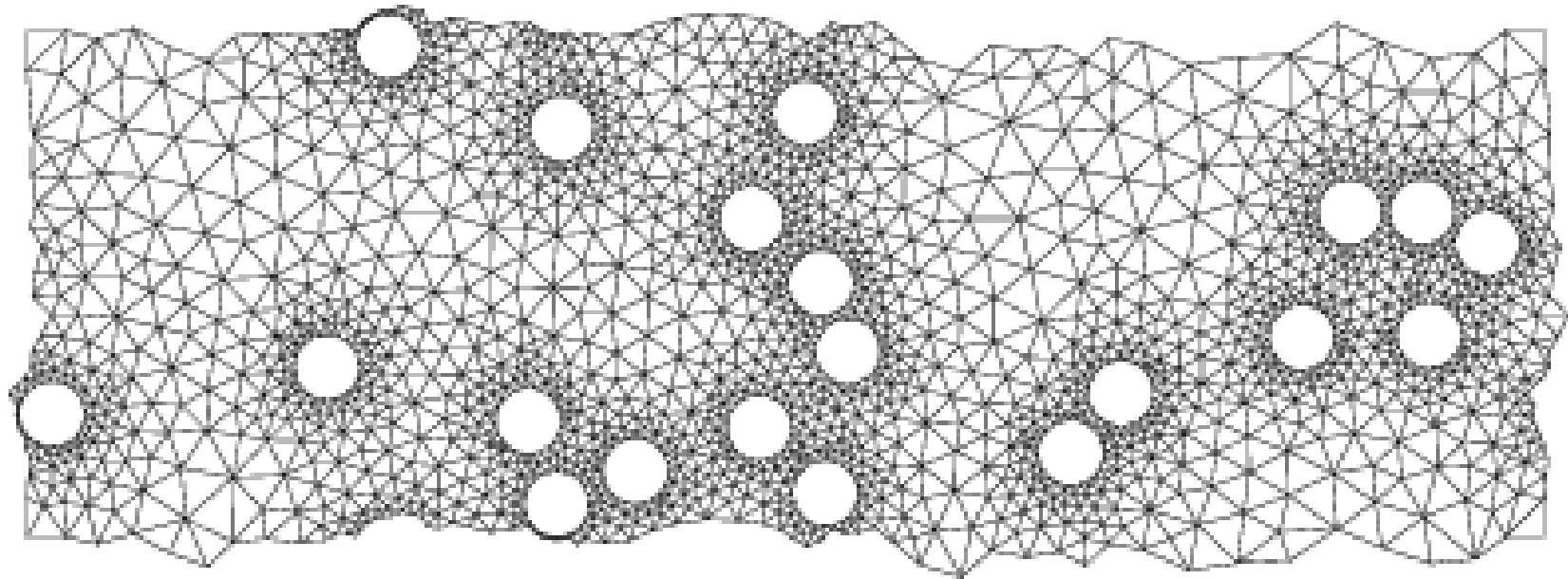
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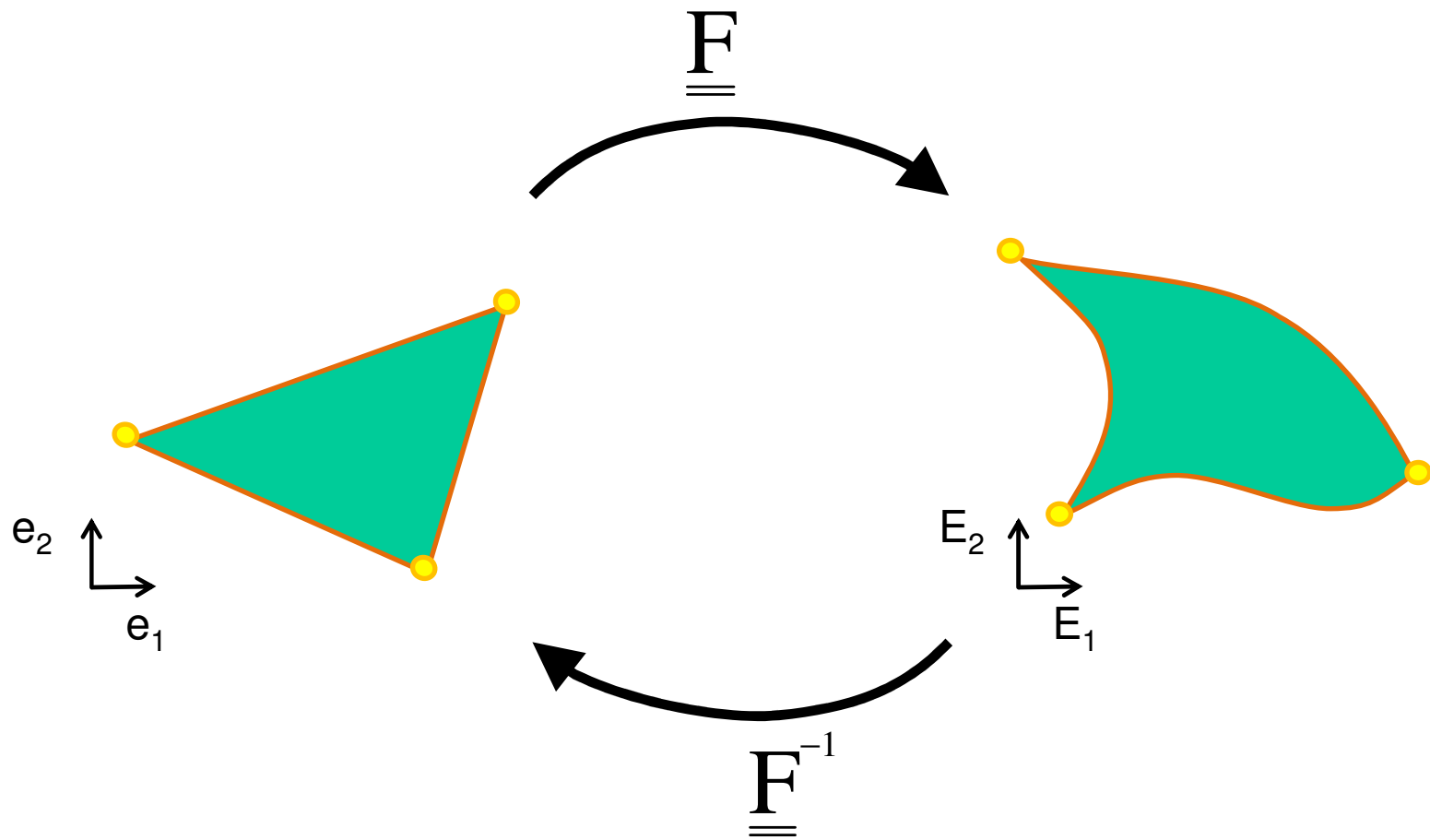
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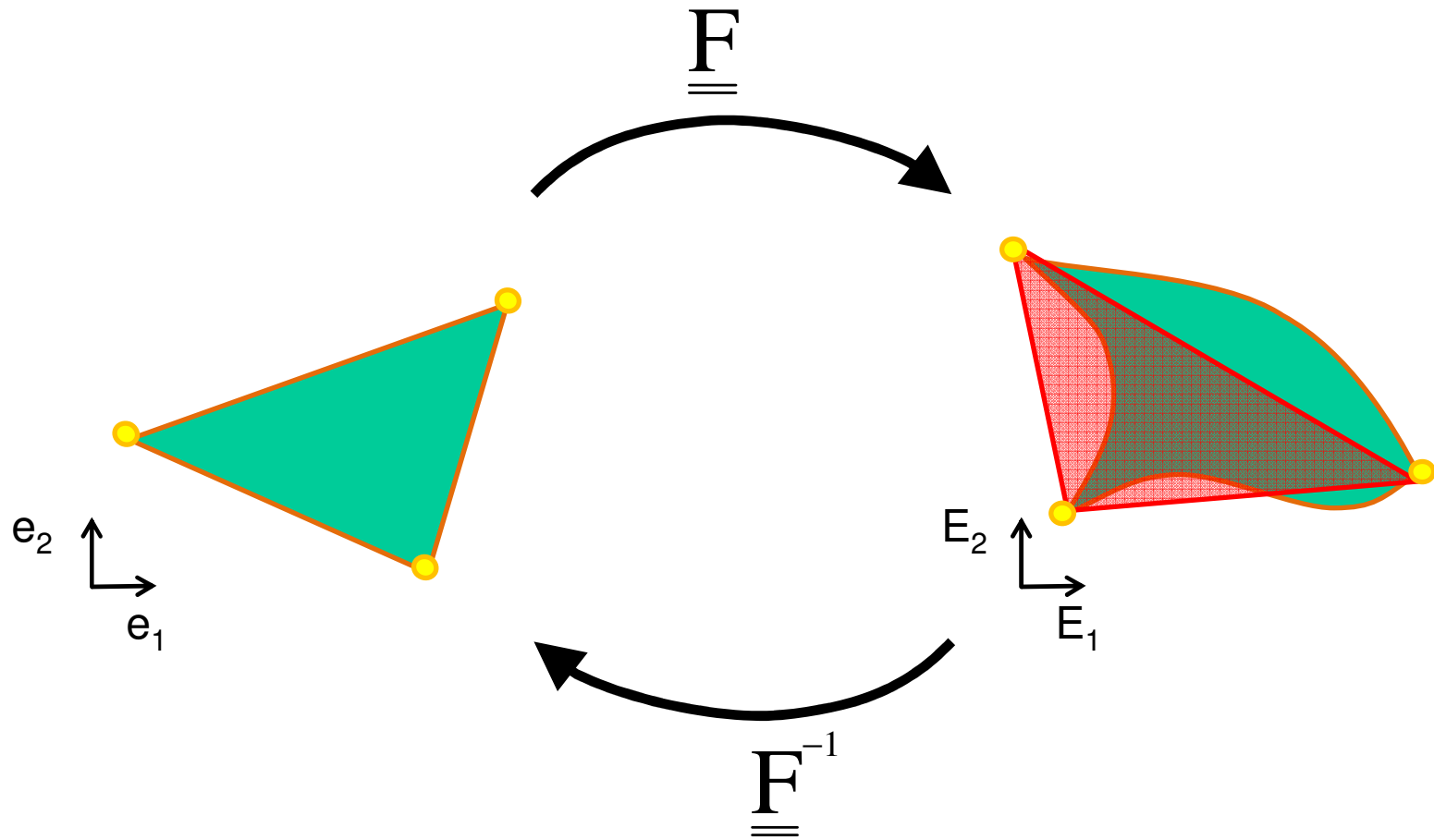
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# Outline

1. Bézier-based mesh
2. Mesh modification operation and improvement methods
3. Quality measurement of curved elements
4. Simulation results

# Bézier-based Mesh

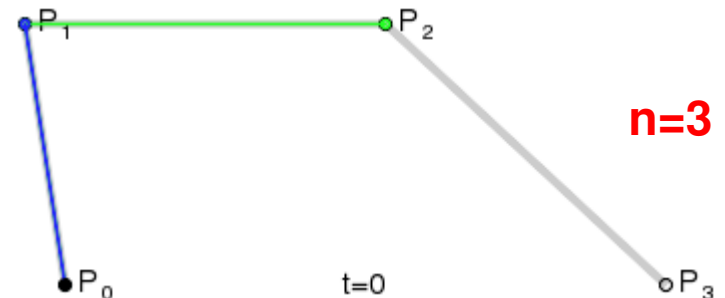
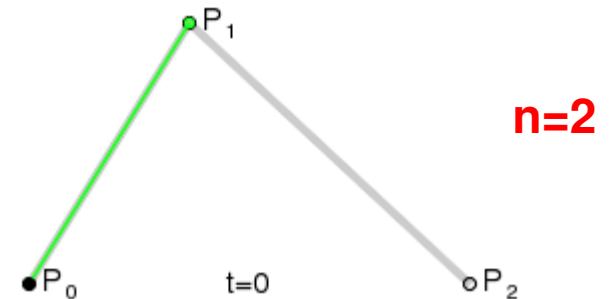
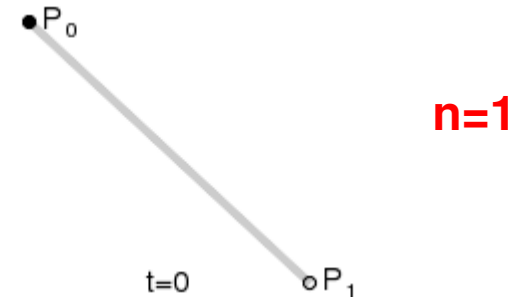
# Bézier curve

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(t) &= B_{P_0 P_1 \dots P_n}(t) \\
 &= (1-t) B_{P_0 P_1 \dots P_{n-1}}(t) + t B_{P_1 P_2 \dots P_n}(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

With base cases:

$$B_{P_0 P_0}(t) = P_0$$

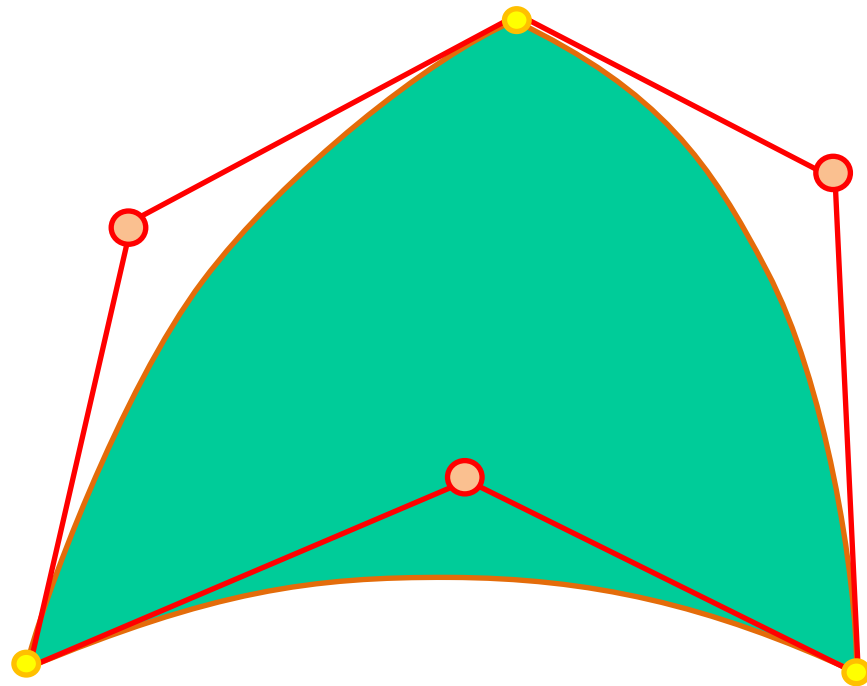
$$B_{P_1 P_1}(t) = P_1$$



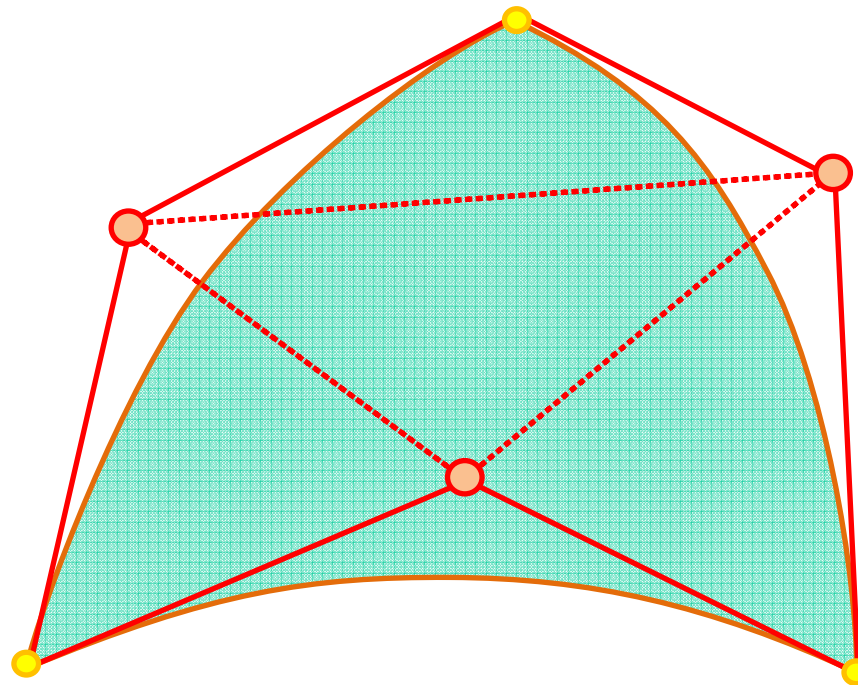
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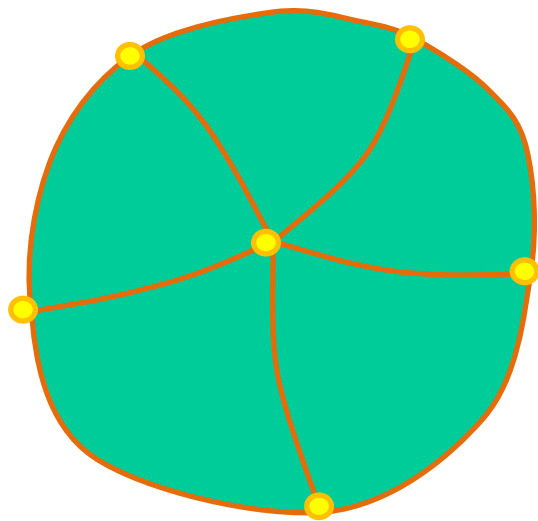
# Bézier element



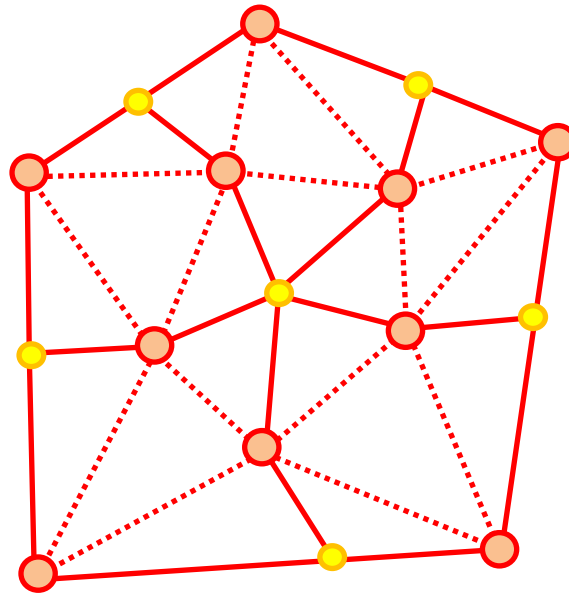
# Bézier element with control triangles



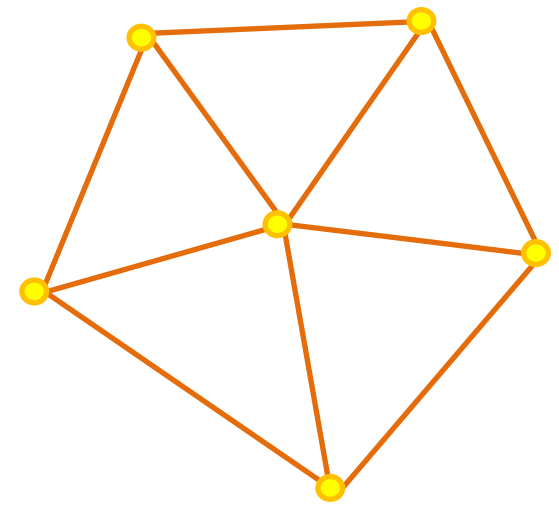
# Bézier mesh



curved mesh

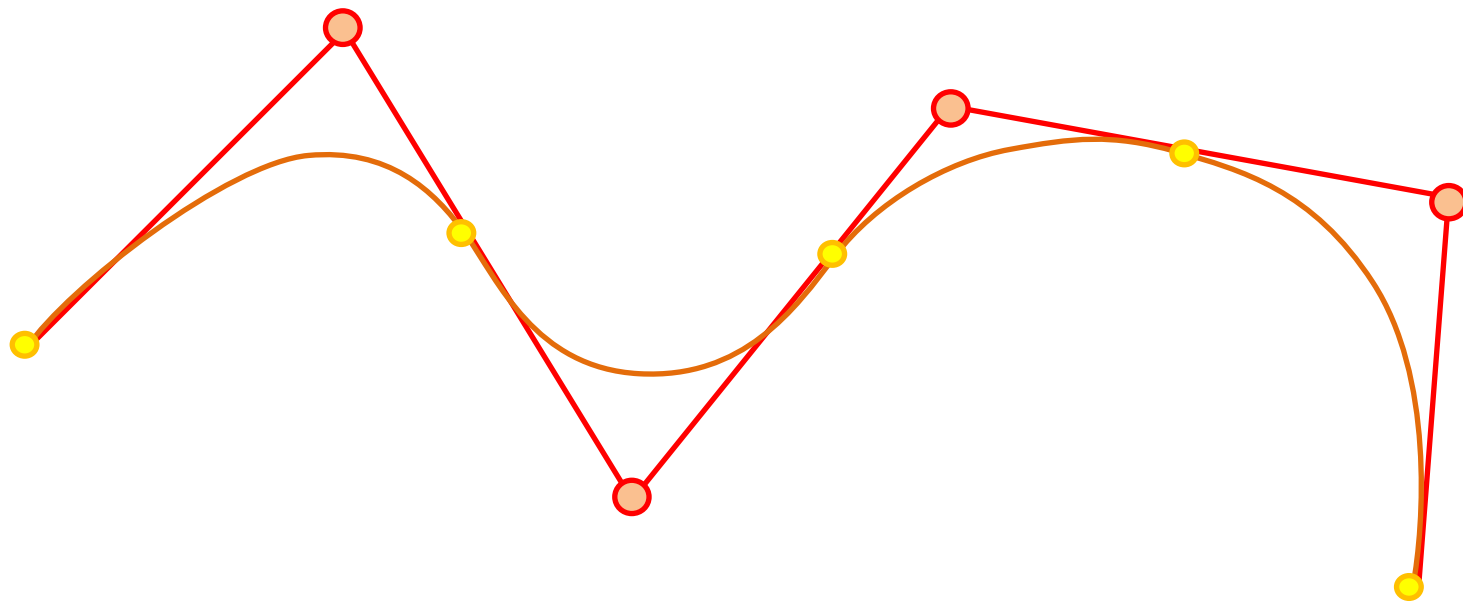


control mesh



logical mesh

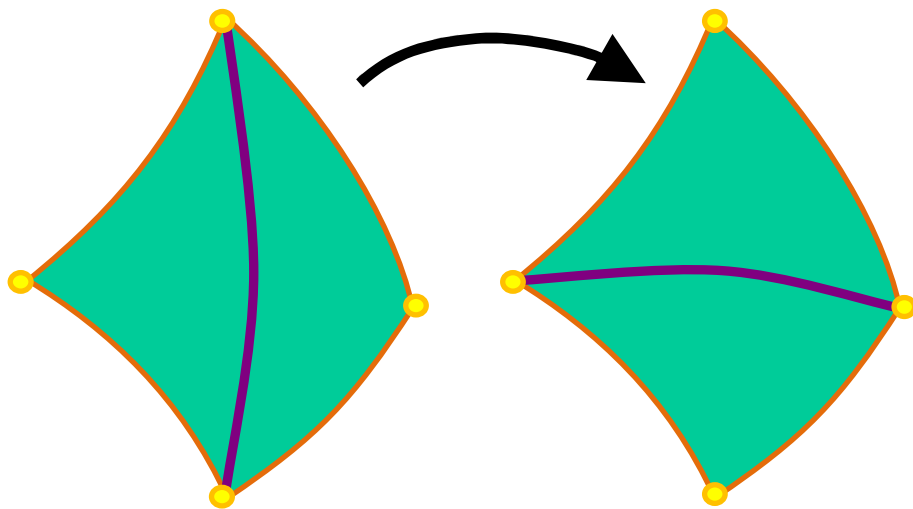
# B-splines on mesh boundary



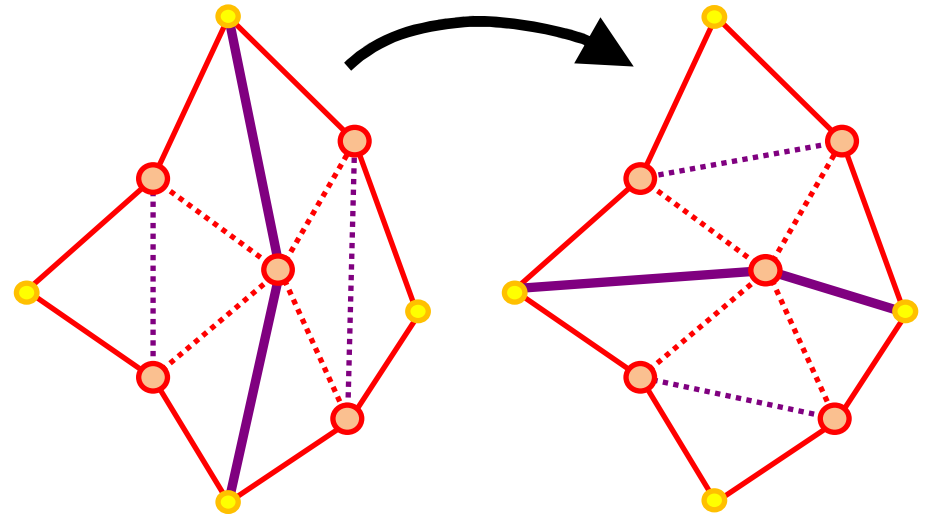
Quadratic B-spline with its control polygon

# Mesh Modification Operation and Improvement Methods

# Edge flipping



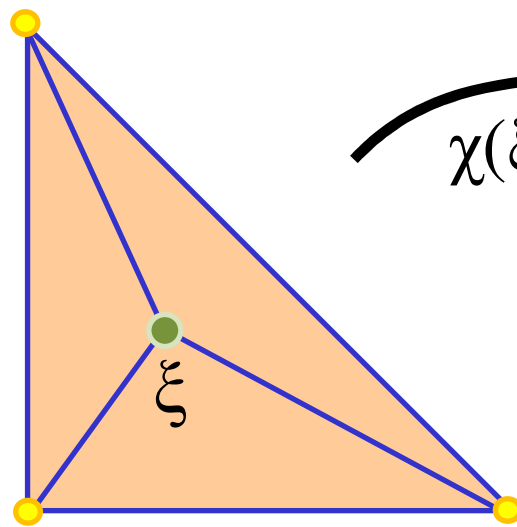
curved mesh  
single edge flip



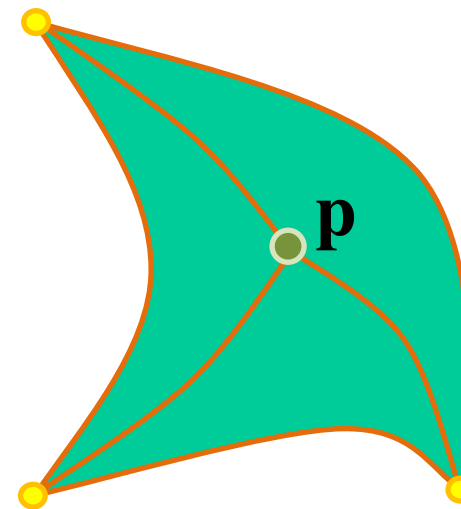
control mesh  
four edges in  
flipping involved

# Vertex insertion

Utilizing isoparametric concept



$$\chi(\xi) = \mathbf{p}$$

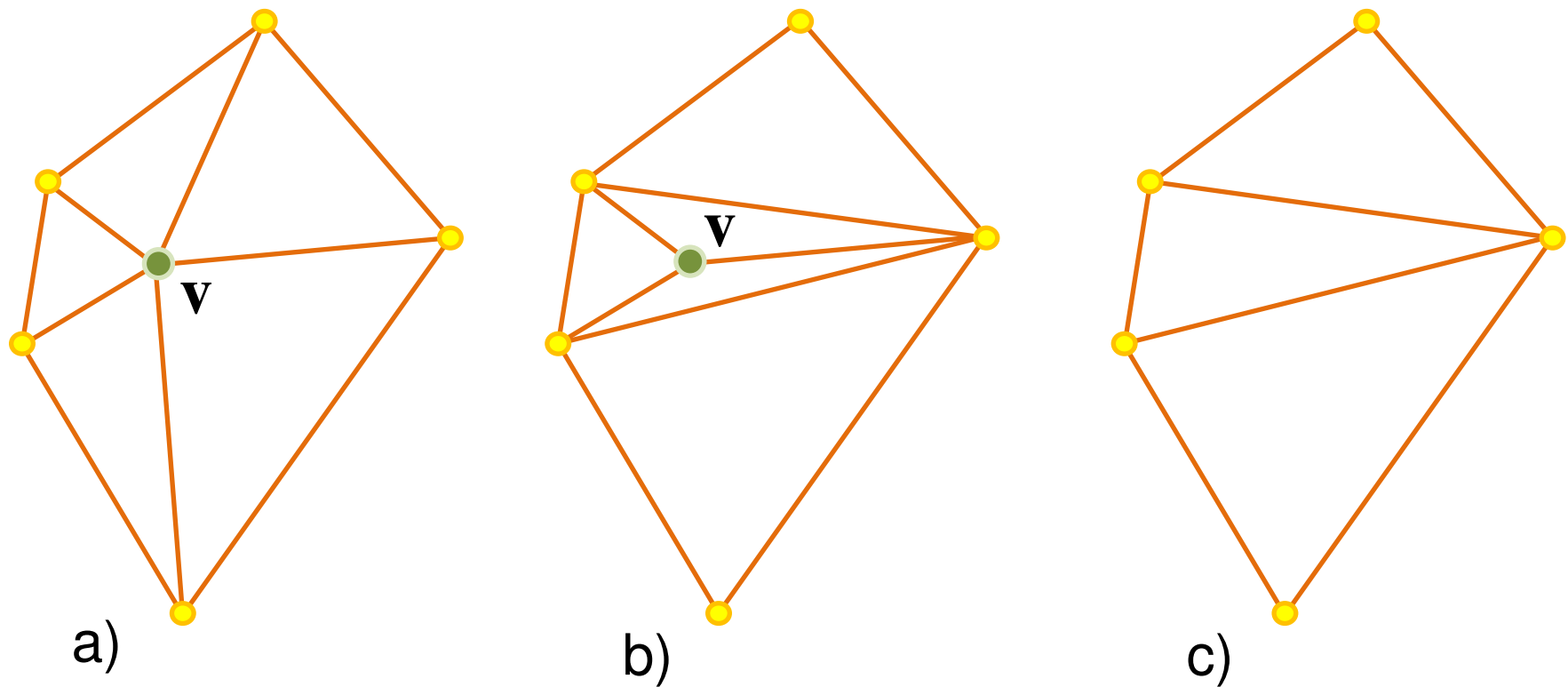


reference element  
(unit right triangle)

Bézier element

# Vertex removal

operating in logical mesh





# Mesh refinement

operating in logical mesh

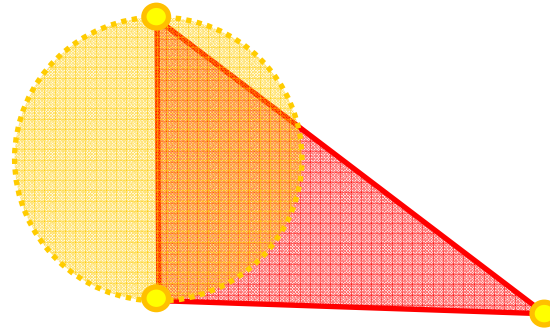
Enforce *Delaunay* property with edge flip

Adapt *Ruppert's* algorithm for refining curved elements which are too large or have a „bad“ logical triangle (poor aspect ratio)

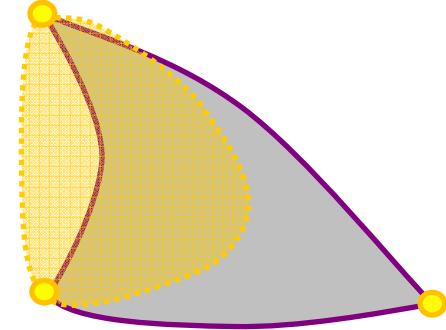
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Changes of *Ruppert's* algorithm  
for curved elements

boundary  
encroachment

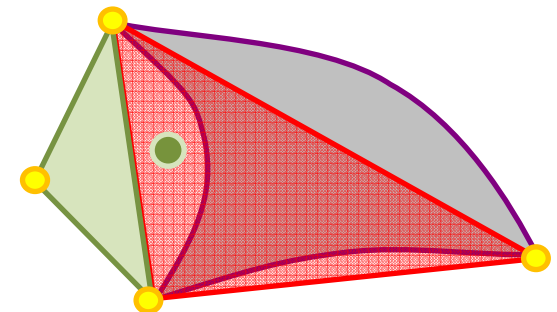
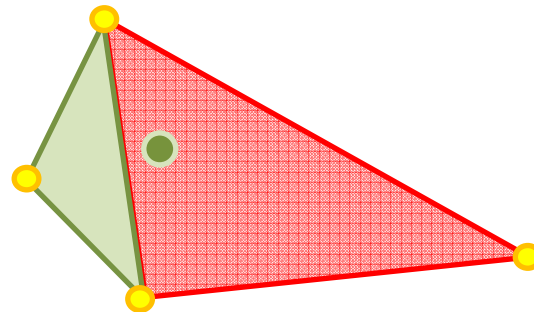


diametral circle



lens

point location



# Mesh Coarsening

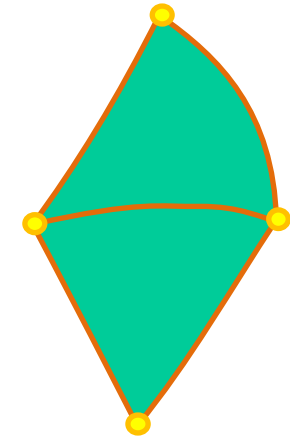
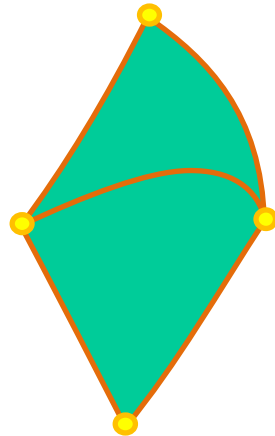
Utilizing function-based coarsening paradigm of *Talmor et al* (Lecture 21)

Adaptation necessary for boundaries that must be maintained – *Douglas-Peucker* algorithm

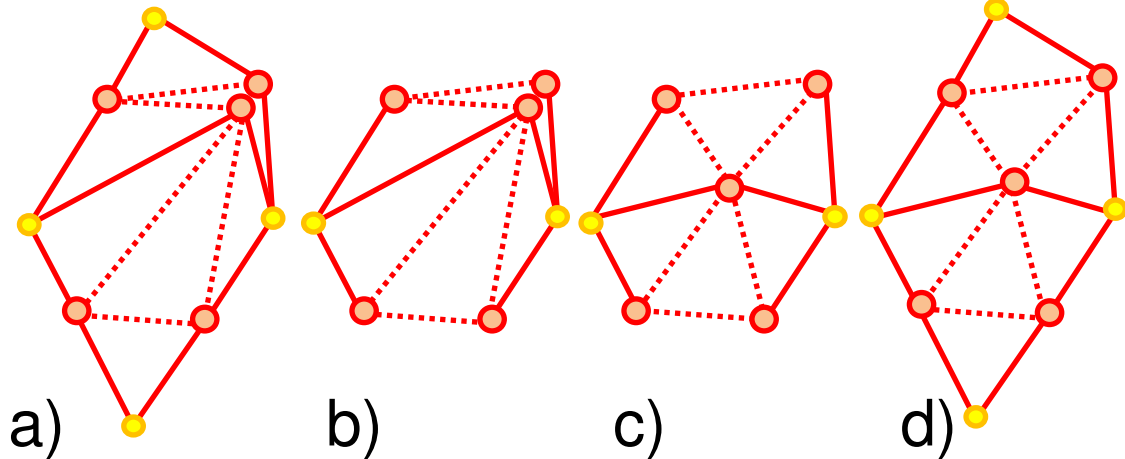
Incremental removal of vertices to preserve Delaunay property

# Edge smoothing

curved mesh



control mesh



# Quality Management of Curved Elements

# Metric for Bézier elements

measuring the ‚curvature‘

$$\int_k \frac{|J|}{A_k}$$

$k$  ... element being considered

$A_k$  ... area of curved element

$J$  ... Jacobian of the geometric mapping  $\chi(\xi)$

# Optimizing control point position

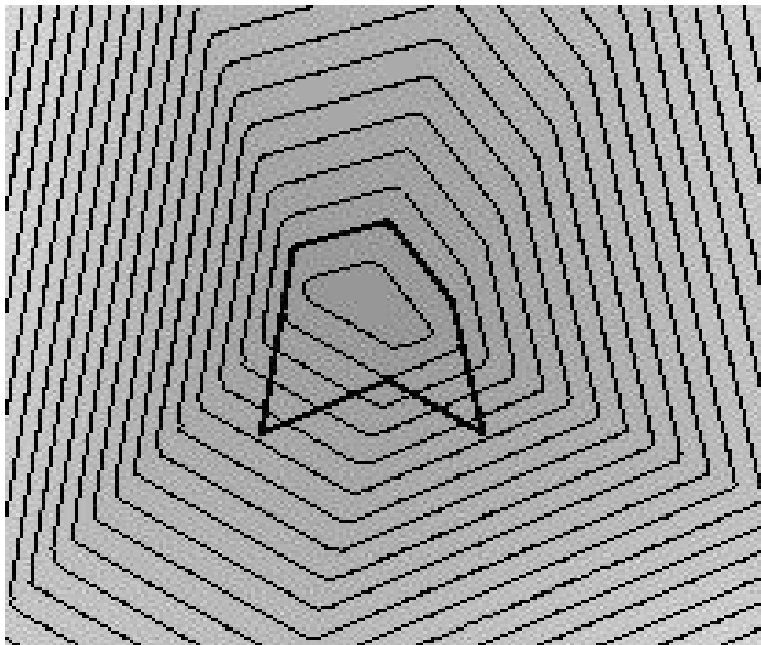
$$\max_{x \in K} \min_{i \in M} \{q_i(x)\}$$

$M$  ... index set of triangles incident  
to control point

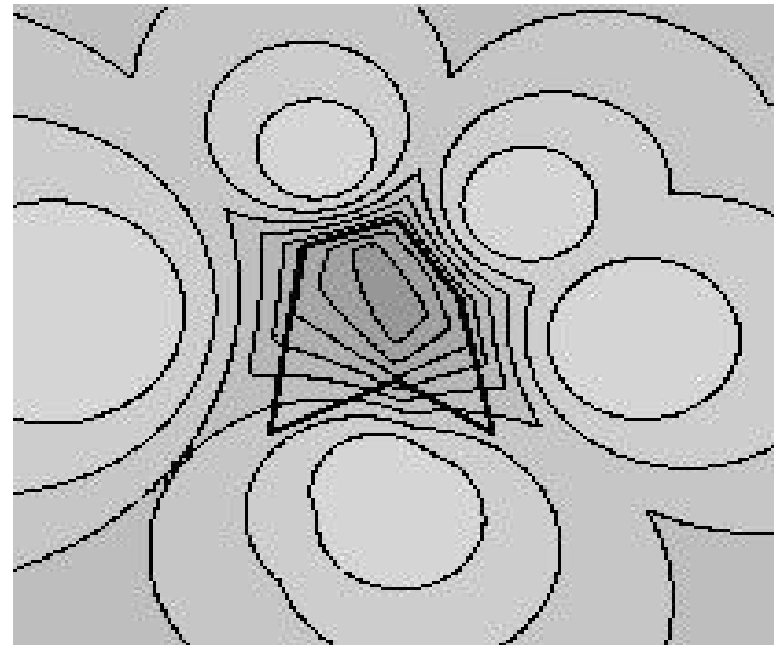
$x$  ... control point location

$q_i$  ... quality value of triangle  $i$  in  $M$

# Local maxima of $\min_{i \in M} \{q_i(x)\}$



$$q_i(x) = A$$



$$q_i(x) = \frac{4\sqrt{3}A}{l_1^2 + l_2^2 + l_3^2}$$

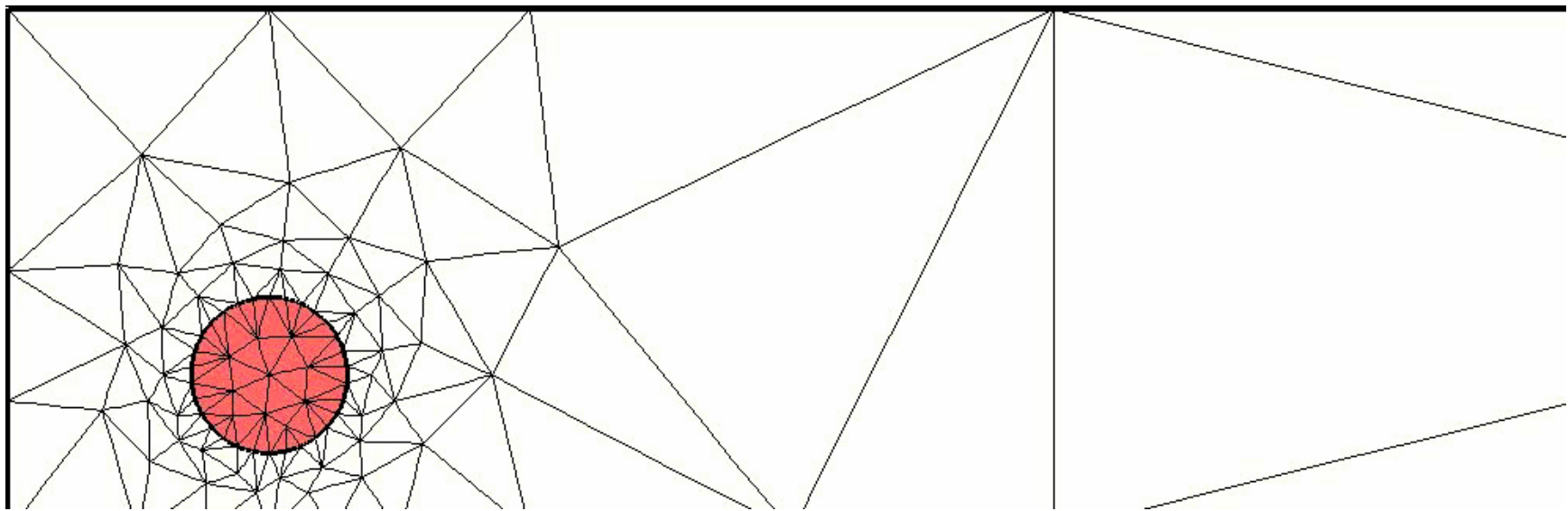


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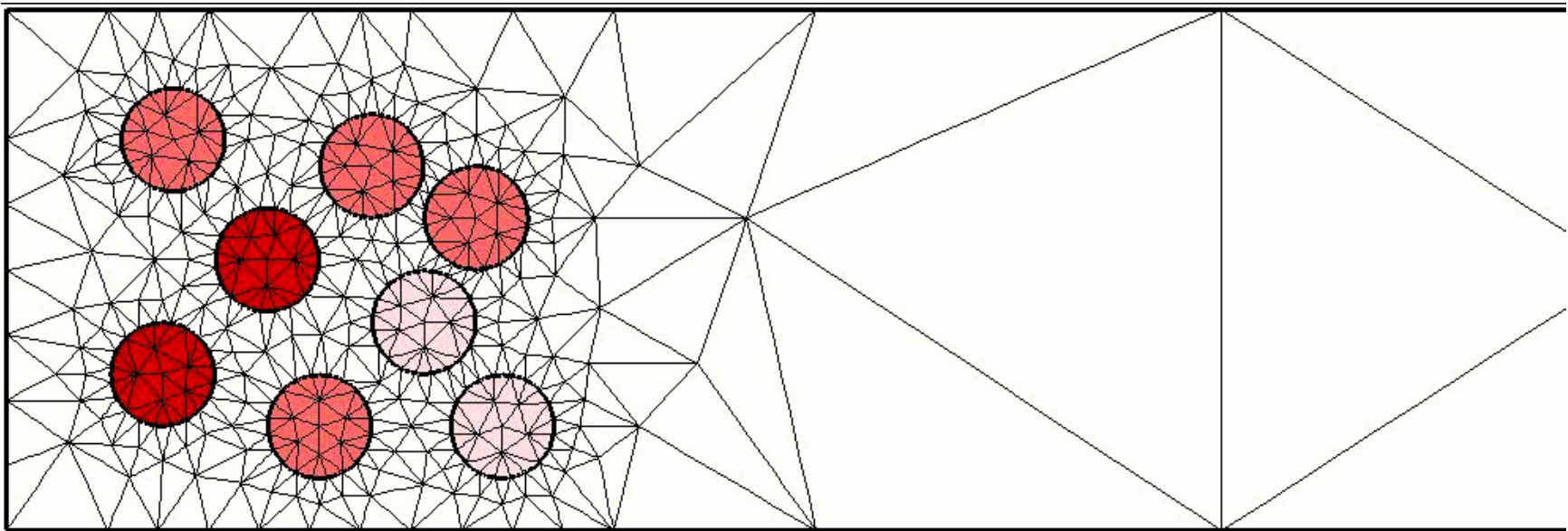
# Simulation cycle

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Generate initial mesh;
repeat{
  compute velocity field with FEA;
  push mesh forward;
  improve mesh:
    1.Enforce Delaunay property
    2.Refine
    3.Coarsen
    4.Smooth
}
```

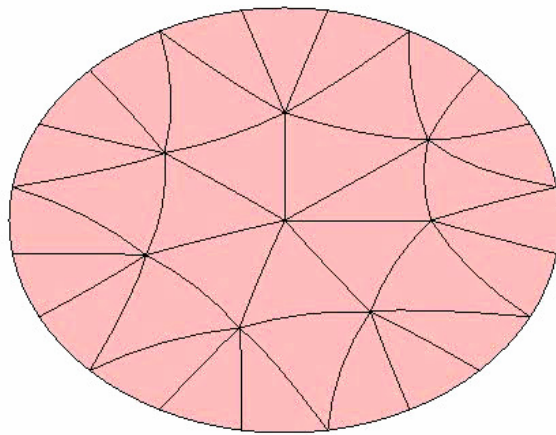
# Single (blood) cell in tube



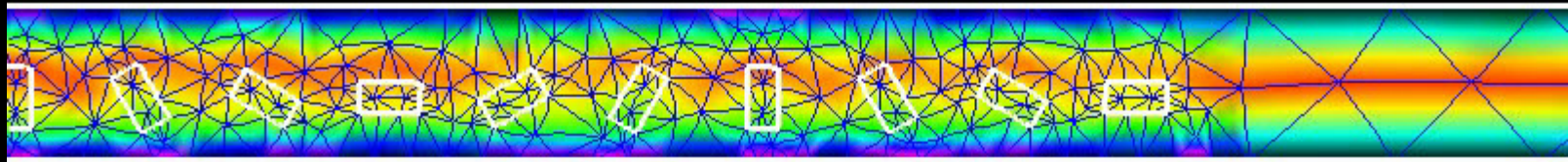
# Cells with different viscosity



# Cell pushed through orifice



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