

Isogeometric Analysis, T-splines & Boundary-Element methods for Marine Hydrodynamics

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the wave resistance (wr) problem – 1

consider the flow of a uniform stream of an ideal fluid with a free surface incident upon a surface-piercing or fully-submerged body. Decompose the velocity potential Φ in the form:

$$\Phi = -Ux + \varphi$$

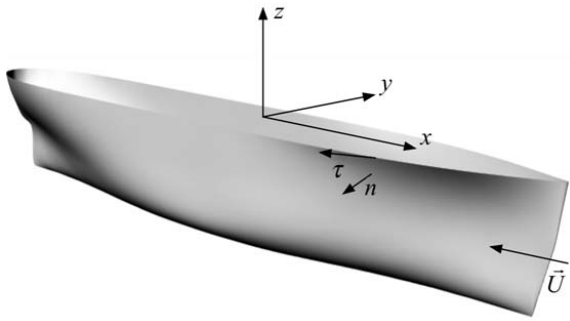


Figure 1: geometric configuration of the problem for a surface piercing body.

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- ▶ appealing to the theory of infinitesimal waves, the free-surface conditions are linearized by **neglecting higher-order terms with respect to U** and by applying the resulting equations on **the undisturbed free surface** instead of the unknown free surface

wr-problem: the Neumann-Kelvin problem – 3

the disturbance potential can be represented as:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(\mathbf{P}) = & \int_{\{\text{wetted surface: } S\}} \mu(\mathbf{Q}) G(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}) dS(\mathbf{Q}) + \\ & \frac{1}{k} \int_{\{\text{waterline: } \ell\}} \mu(\mathbf{Q}) G^*(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}) n_1(\mathbf{Q}) \tau_2(\mathbf{Q}) d\ell(\mathbf{Q})\end{aligned}$$

where μ is the density of a single-layer distribution of the so-called Neumann-Kelvin singularities $G(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q})$:

$$4\pi G(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}) = r^{-1} - (r')^{-1} + G^*(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q})$$

- ▶ $r = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q}\|$, $r' = \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{Q}'\|$ with \mathbf{Q}' denoting the image of \mathbf{Q} with respect to the undisturbed free surface $z = 0$
- ▶ $G^*(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q})$ stands for the regular part, consisting of exponential decaying and wavelike components

wr-problem: Boundary Integral Equation (BIE) – 4

since $G(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q})$ satisfies

- ▶ the linearized condition on the undisturbed free surface and
- ▶ the conditions at infinity,

the Neumann-Kelvin problem is equivalently reformulated as a BIE on the body boundary S , characterized by a weakly singular kernel

$$\frac{\mu(\mathbf{P})}{2} - \int_S \mu(\mathbf{Q}) \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q})}{\partial n(\mathbf{P})} dS(\mathbf{Q})$$
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$k = g/U^2$ is the characteristic wavenumber, controlling the wavelength of the transverse ship waves

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- ▶ an extraordinary point is an interior vertex that is not a T-junction and whose valence $\neq 4$.

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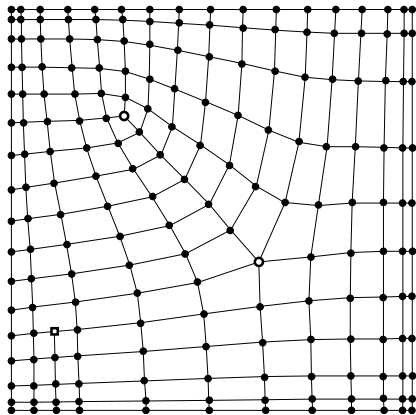


Figure 2: an unstructured T-mesh: the single T-junction is denoted by a hollow square – the two extraordinary points are denoted by hollow circles

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the isogeometric (IGA) concept

the unknown source-sink surface distribution μ is **approximated** by the very same T-splines basis used for the body-boundary representation, that is:

$$\mu(\mathbf{P}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{cp}} \mu_i \tilde{R}_i(\mathbf{P}), \quad \mathbf{P} \in S,$$

where $\tilde{R}_i(\mathbf{P}) \equiv R_i^e(\tilde{\xi}(\mathbf{P})), \mathbf{P} \in S_e$

T-spline based IGA-BEM

inserting the T-spline approximation of μ into the BIE, we get:

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{cp}} \mu_i \tilde{R}_i(\mathbf{P}) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_{cp}} \mu_i \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{P}) \cdot \mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{P}) = \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{P}), \quad \mathbf{P} \in S,$$

where

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are the so-called induced velocity factors

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we thus obtain the following linear system of equations with respect to the unknown coefficients μ_i :

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n_{cp}} \mu_i \left[\tilde{R}_i(\mathbf{P}_j) - 2\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{P}_j) \cdot \mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{P}_j) \right] = 2\mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{P}_j), \quad j = 1, \dots, n_{cp}.$$

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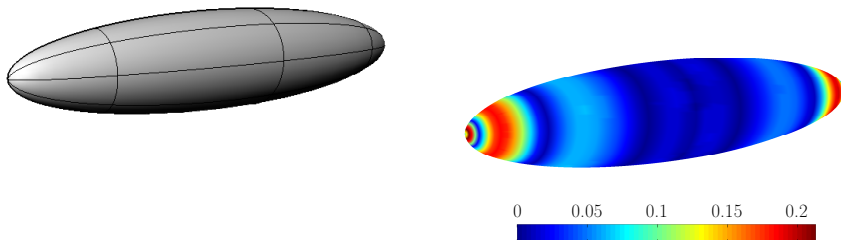


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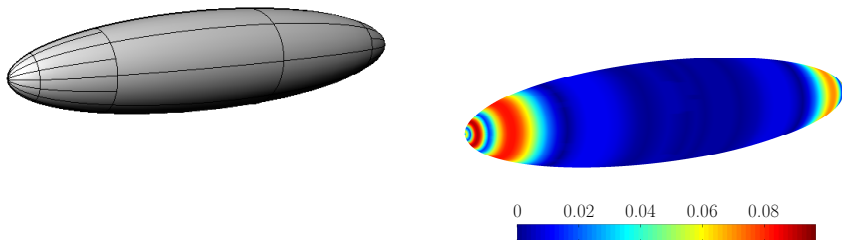


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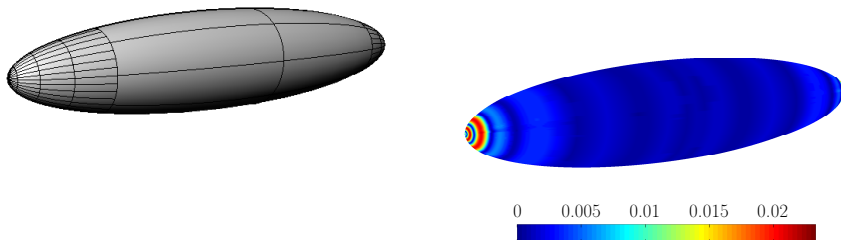


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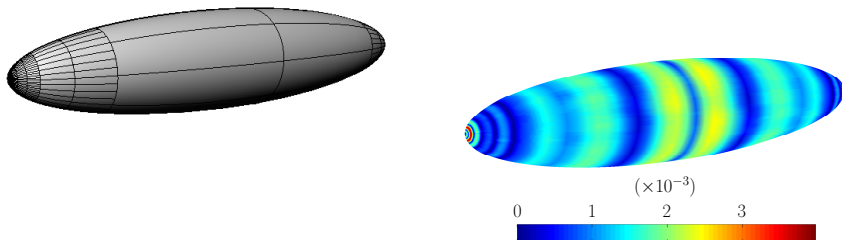


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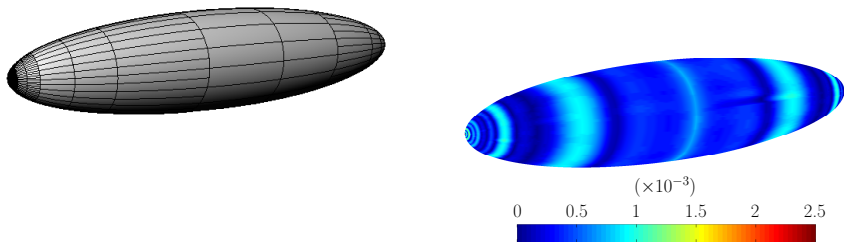


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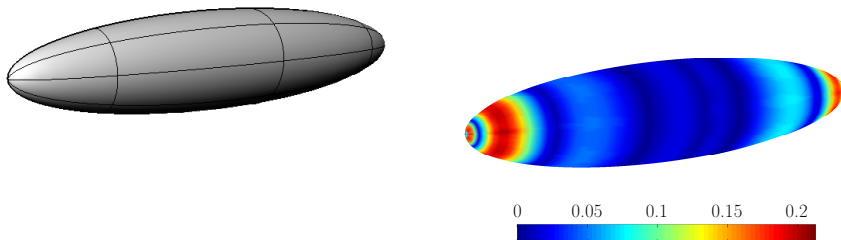


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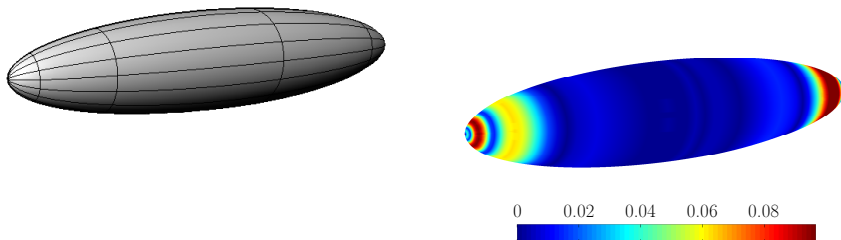


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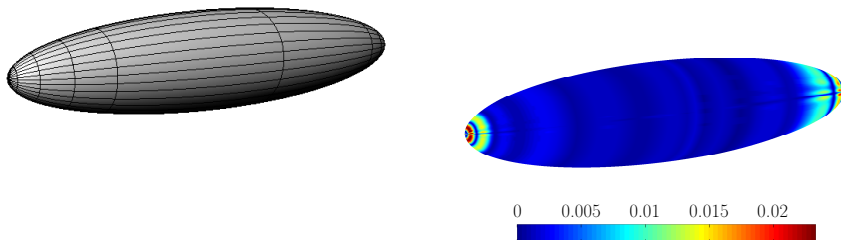


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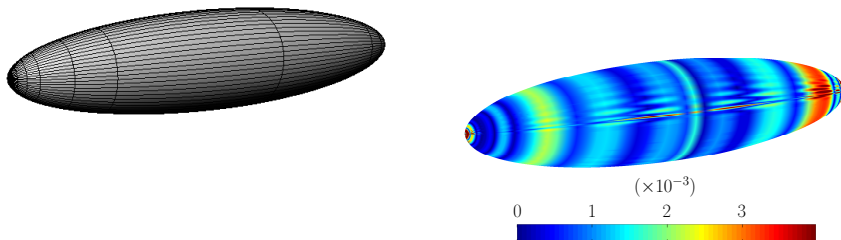


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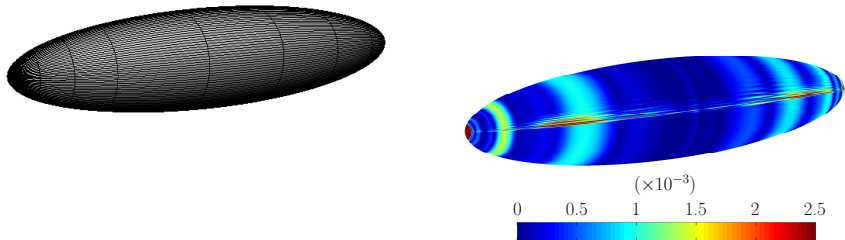
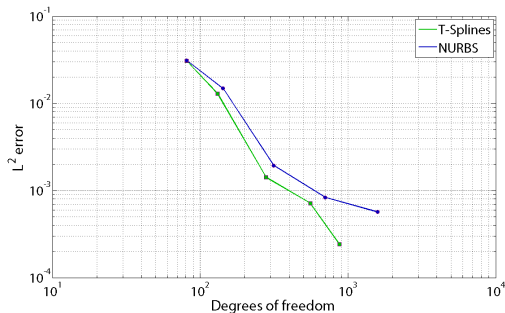


Figure 4: DoF = 1587

L^2 -error convergence: T-splines vs NURBS

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- ▶ NURBS results correspond to the unique NURBS refinement of each of the T-spline meshes



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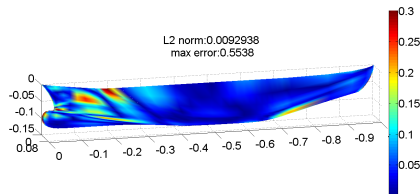
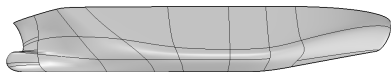


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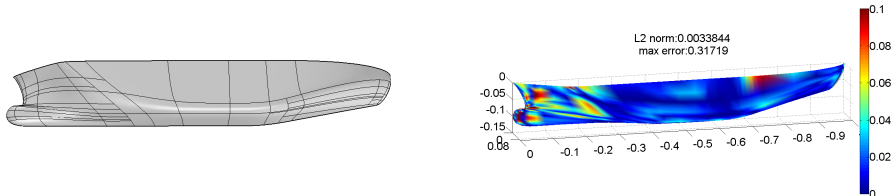


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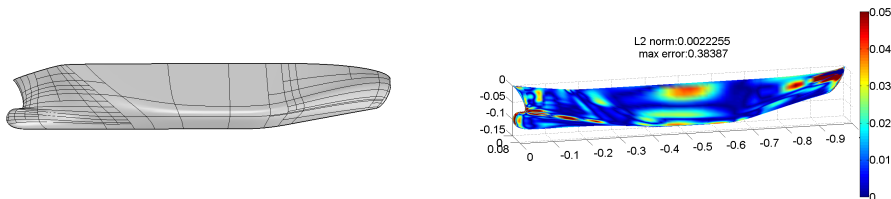


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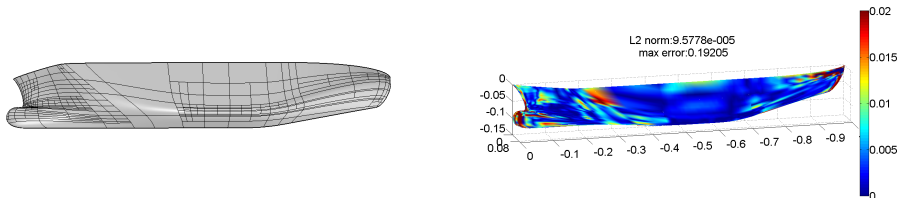


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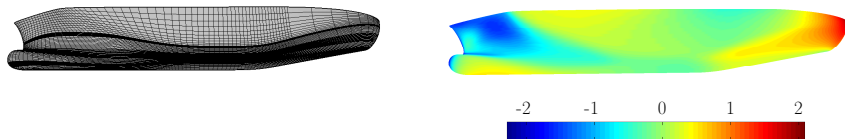


Figure 6: uniformly refined NURBS mesh (left) and corresponding reference solution (right)

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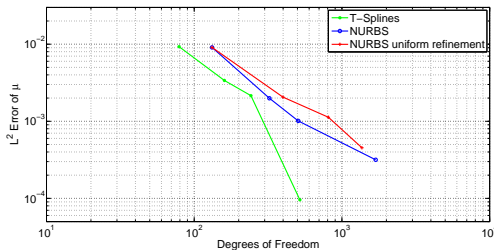


Figure 6: T-spline based local refinement process, the corresponding NURBS refinement and the refinement process resulting from inserting uniformly r knots in each parametric interval of the original NURBS representation

◇ **Analysis** (IGA-BEM, NURBS, T-splines - 2D potential flows, wave resistance, 3D flows with lift)

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