USE OF NEURAL NETWORKS FOR GEOMETRIC PROBLEMS

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Introduction To Midcurve





Aerospace



Machinery



Consumer Products



Energy



Construction

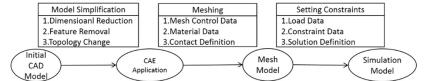


Industrial



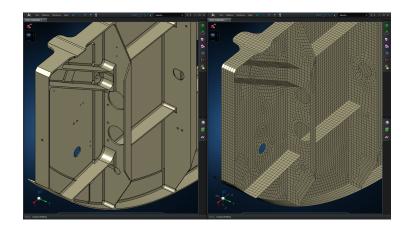
Can we use shapes directly?

- ► CAD : Designing Shapes
- ► CAE : Engineering Analysis
- ► CAD→CAE: Simplification for quicker results.





CAD-CAE





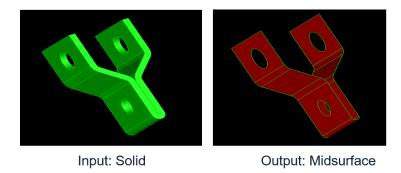
For Shapes like Sheet Metal ...

	Solid mesh	Shell+Solid mesh	Difference (%)
Element number	344,330	143,063	-58%
Node Number	694,516	75,941	-89%
Total Degrees of freedom	2,083,548	455,646	-78%
Maximum Von. Mises Stress	418.4 MPa	430 MPa	+3%
Meshing + Solving time	Out of memory	22 mins	N/A (4G RAM)
Meshing + Solving time	30 mins	17 mins	-43% (12G RAM)

Half the computation time, but similar accuracy



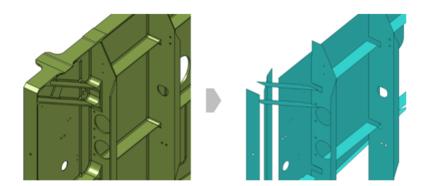
Midsurface is?



- ▶ Widely used for CAE of Thin-Walled parts
- ► Computation is challenging and still unsolved



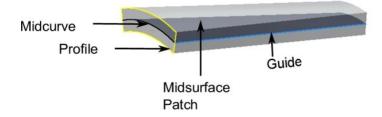
Look at the output





Midsurface Computation

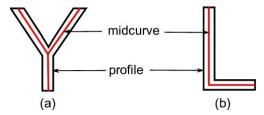
- Midsurface of a Patch is Midcurve of its profile extruded.
- ▶ So, it boils down to computing 1D midcurve of a 2D profile





What is a Midcurve?

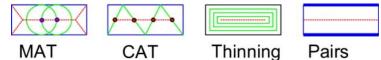
- ▶ Midsurface : From 3D thin Solid to 2D Surface
- ▶ Midcurve : From 2D Profile to 1D Curve





Many Approaches

- ▶ More than 6 decades of research...
- ▶ Most CAD-CAE packages...
- ▶ Rule-based!! Heuristic!! Case-by-case basis!!



When-What?

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MAT

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Rezayat Fischer Feature s for Idealization

Robinson Sketch Pocket Pad Mids

Mids

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Simplific ation

Nids

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Rezayat Fischer FBD

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2016

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Sketch Pad Mids

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2017

Robinson Sketch Pad Mids

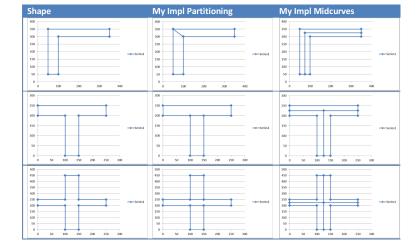
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2017: My PhD Work: Rule-based





Limitations

- Fully rule-based
- ▶ Need to adjust for new shapes
- ► So, not scalable





Midcurve: The Problem

- ► **Goal**: Given a 2D closed shape (closed polygon) find its midcurve (polyline, closed or open)
- Input: set of points or set of connected lines, non-intersecting, simple, convex, closed polygon
- Output: another set of points or set of connected lines, open/branched polygons possible



Midcurve: Graph 2 Graph

- Input: Graph of Input profile with vertices at nodes and lines/curves as edges
- Output: another Graph of Output profile with vertices at nodes and lines/curves as edges, open/branched polygons possible
- Both, input and output shapes have different topologies (number of nodes and edges are different) but geometry also, nodes and edges have different positions and shapes. So its network 2 network problem.
- Exiting Graph algorithms like node prediction and link prediction are not useful here as, there, topology of input and output is more or less similar.
- Graph to Graph translation does not seem to evolved enough to do the expected transformation.

Any ideas?



Variable Size Encoder Decoder

- ▶ OK for NLP, say Machine Translations, where padding values like "-1" can be added along with other words (vectors or indices)
- ▶ But in Geometry, its not OK.
- Because any value can represent a Valid Input, even though we don't want it to be the input.



A Twist to the problem

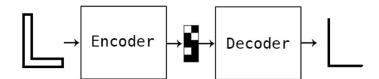
- ▶ Input: Black & White Image of 2D profile
- ▶ Output: Black & White Image of 1D midcurve





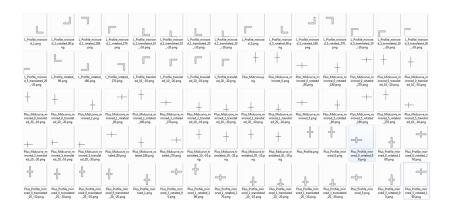


For Dimension Reduction



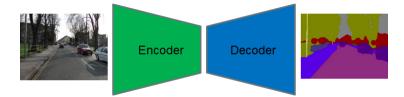


Training Data Samples





Simple Encoder Decoder

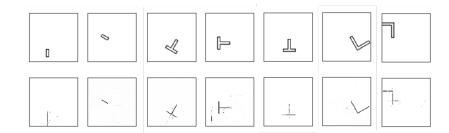




Keras Implementation



Results





Idea



Can Large Language Models "learn" the dimension reduction transformation?



2D Brep Representation

Leverage a geometry representation similar to that found in 3D B-rep (Boundary representation), but in 2D. It can be shown as:

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'ShapeName': 'I'.
   'Profile': [(5.0, 5.0), (10.0, 5.0), (10.0, 20.0), (5.0, 20.0)],
    'Midcurve': [(7.5, 5.0), (7.5, 20.0)].
    'Profile brep': {
       'Points': [(5.0, 5.0), (10.0, 5.0), (10.0, 20.0), (5.0, 20.0)], # list of
        (x,v) coordinates
       'Lines': [[0, 1], [1, 2], [2, 3], [3, 0]], # list of point ids (ie index
        in the Points list)
                   'Segments': [[0, 1, 2, 3]] # list of line ids (ie index in
        Lines list)
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    'Midcurve brep': {
       'Points': [(7.5, 5.0), (7.5, 20.0)],
       'Lines': [[0, 1]],
                   'Segments': [[0]]
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15 }
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Data

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Few Shots Prompt

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1 You are a geometric transformation program that transforms input 2D polygonal
        profile to output 1D polyline profile. Input 2D polygonal profile is
        defined by set of connected lines with the format as: ...
Below are some example transformations, specified as pairs of 'input' and the
        corresponding 'output'. After learning from these examples, predict the
        'output' of the last 'input' specified.
  Do not write code or explain the logic but just give the list of lines with
        point coordinates as specified for the 'output' format.
  input:[((5.0,5.0), (10.0,5.0)), ... ((5.0,35.0), (5.0,5.0))]
7 output: [((7.5,5.0), (7.5, 32.5)), ... ((35.0, 32.5) (7.5, 32.5))]
9 input: [((5,5), (10, 5)), ... (5, 20)), ((5, 20),(5,5))]
  output: [((7.5, 5), (7.5, 20))]
13 input: [((0, 25.0), (25.0,25.0)),... ((0,20.0),(0, 25.0))]
  output:
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Output

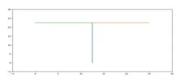
And the outputs computed by various LLMs (ChatGPT, Perplexity AI, Bard) , along with the real/actual answer:



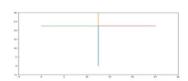
Output

Visually here is how results from different LLMs look:

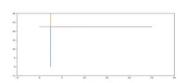
Actual/Expected



Perplexity AI



ChatGPT



Bard





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- ► Short paper: https://vixra.org/abs/1904.0429
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