

# Computer simulations

**Simulation:** imitation of any real thing, state or process.

Creating a virtual model on computer through software, which is a image of reality. / e.g. machine part under load /

### REALITY



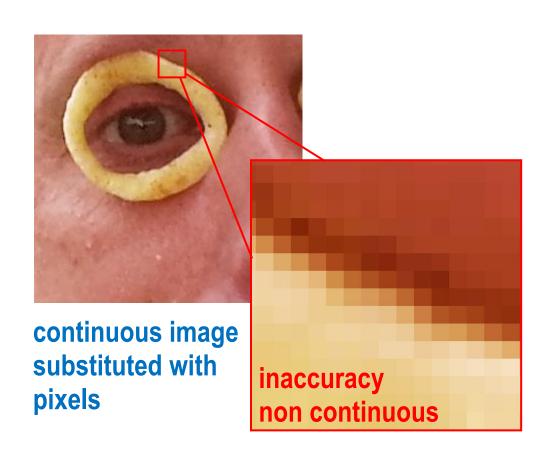


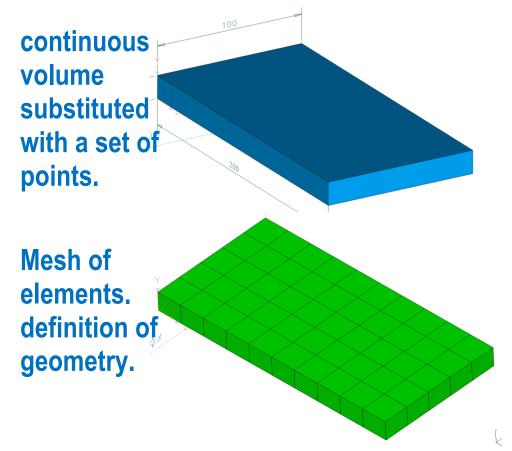
## FEM, Finite Element Method

**Mathematical method**: converting a problem to a system of linear equations.

**Discretion**: substituion a continuous environment with a set of points.

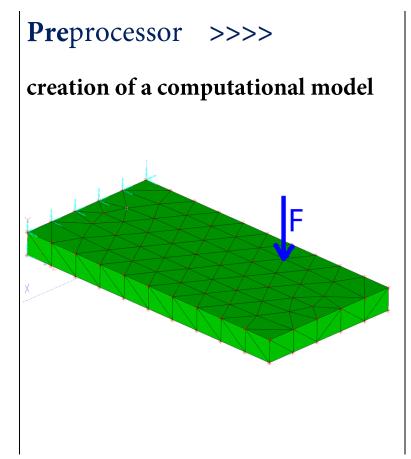
Origin since approx 1950. Full use by computers.







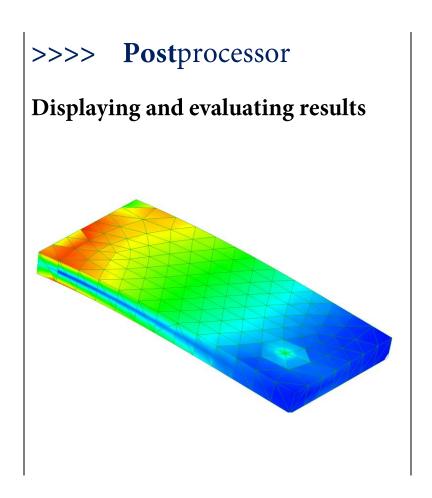
## Computer simulation FEM, basic process



**Pro**cessor

Calculate of job (system of linear equations)





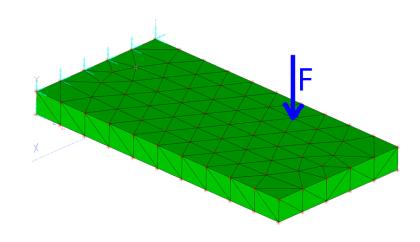
**Cost optimization:** minimizing licenses for solvers



## Computational model

#### **MESH**

Body definition.



### **Definition of the geometry:**

- Elements (e.g. tetrahedrons, 3D geometry parts for 3D task)
- Nodes (points, vertices of elements)

Material: relevant characteristics for kind of simulation

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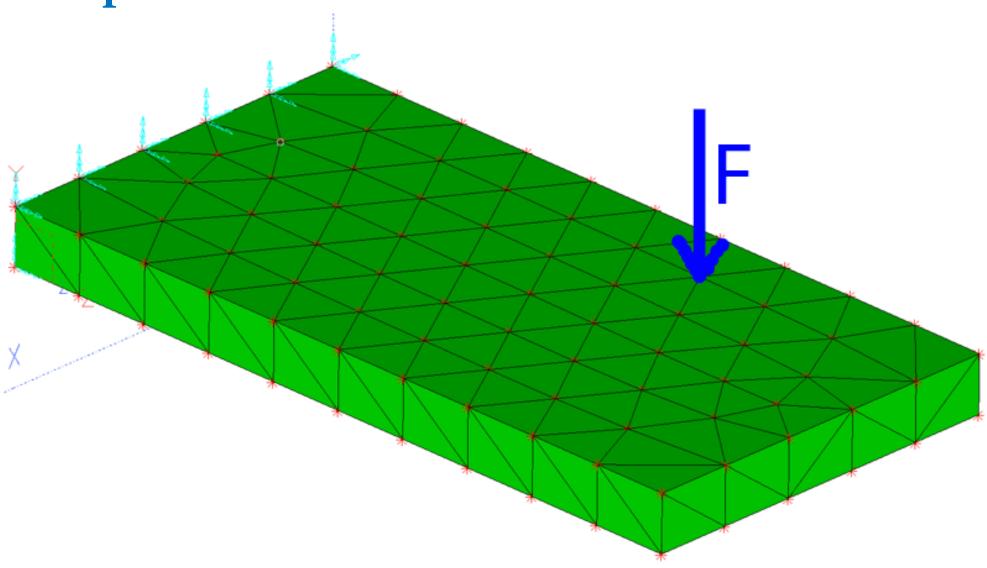
### **BOUNDARY CONDITIONS**

Conditions of the state or process. External action or constraint on the body.

- Constraints
- Loads (force, torque)



# **Computational model**





## Calculation of the computational model

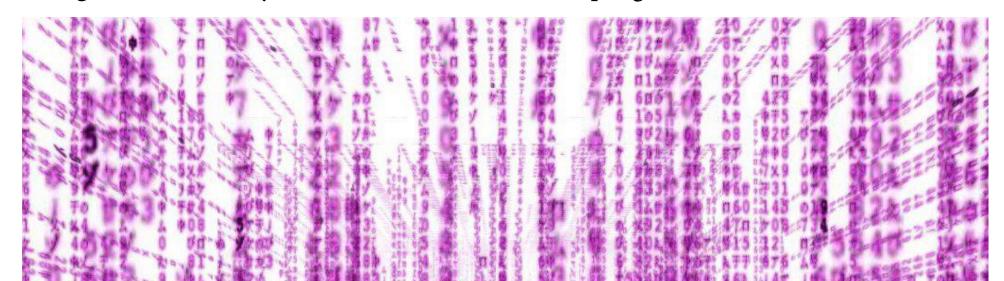
Solving of system of linear equations - matrix. Requires CPU performance.

### Solver

- Usualy external performance servers
- Solver licenses separately from viewers or model preparation

**Optimization:** write a matrix to a computer, calculation time, applied Math

**Designer in industry**: work with the simulation program





# Results of computer simulation

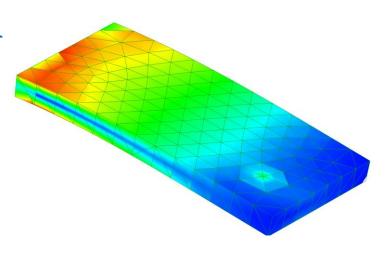
## **Display & Evaluation**

## Display

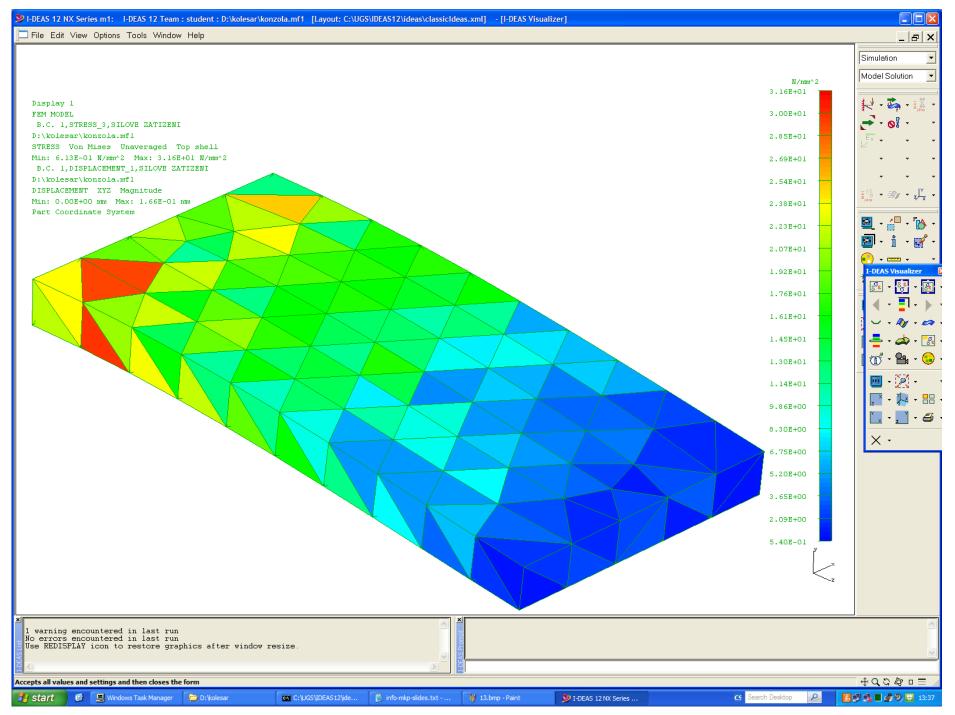
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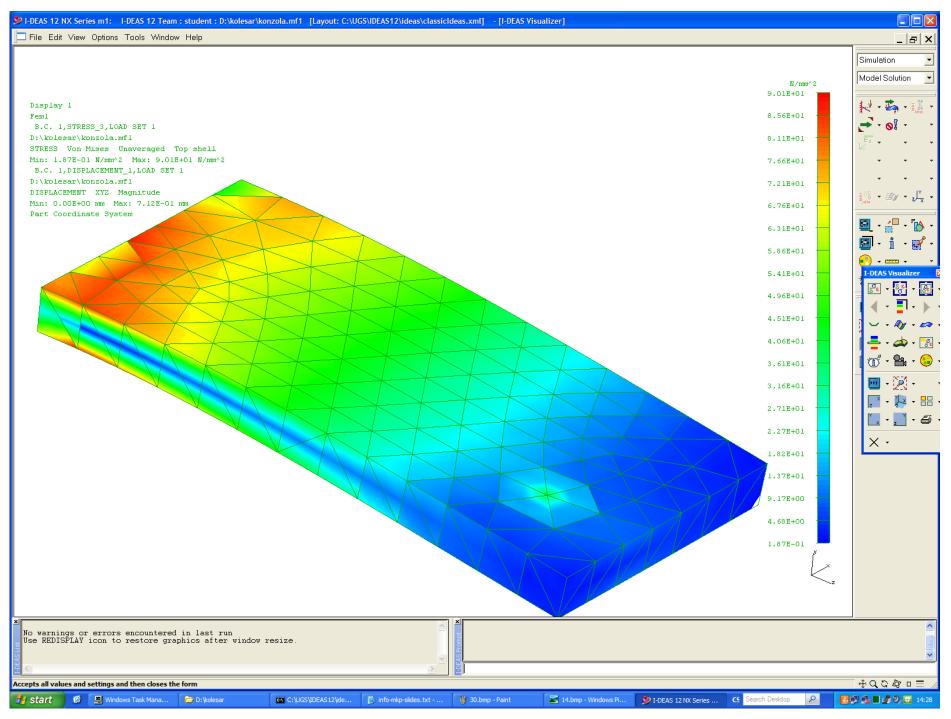
- Relevance of the results
- Divergence of the results from the exact values /rate of difference, FEM method/
- Possibility of use the results, exact or approximate indicative













# Software systems and terms

Software systems for computer simulations:

**Autodesk Inventor** 

**Pro Engineer** 

Catia

NX

ANSYS, MARC

**CAD**: Computer Aided Design

**CAM**: Computer Aided Manufacturing

**CAE**: Computer Aided Engineering

**CAx:** Computer Aided (anything)

**PLM**: Product Lifecycle Management

**FEA**: Finite Element Analysis

FEM: Finite Element Method

MKP: Metoda konečných prvků – FEM by Czech language.