

CSE 167:  
Introduction to Computer Graphics  
Lecture #12: Surface Patches

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# Announcements

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- ▶ Project 5 due Friday

# Cubic Bernstein Polynomials

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$$\mathbf{x}(t) = B_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + B_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1 + B_2(t)\mathbf{p}_2 + B_3(t)\mathbf{p}_3$$

The cubic *Bernstein polynomials* :

$$B_0(t) = -t^3 + 3t^2 - 3t + 1$$

$$B_1(t) = 3t^3 - 6t^2 + 3t$$

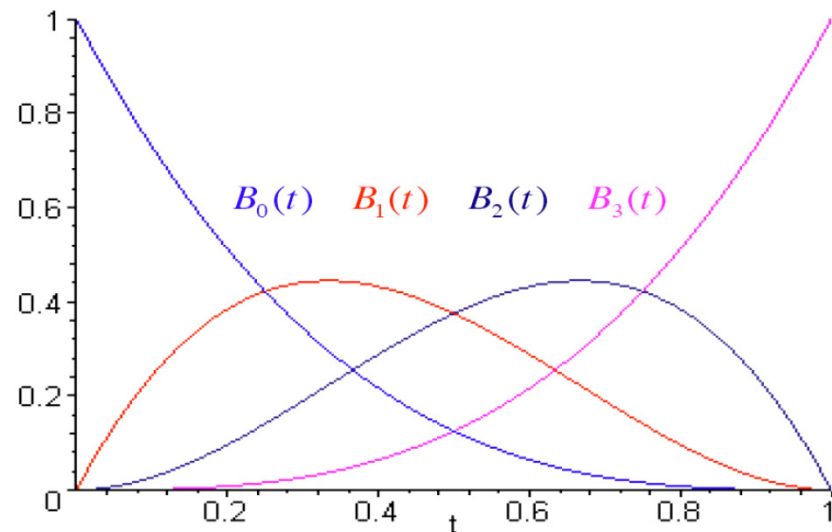
$$B_2(t) = -3t^3 + 3t^2$$

$$B_3(t) = t^3$$

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$$\sum B_i(t) = 1$$

Bernstein Cubic Polynomials



- ▶ Weights  $B_i(t)$  add up to 1 for any value of  $t$

# General Bernstein Polynomials

$$B_0^1(t) = -t + 1$$

$$B_1^1(t) = t$$

$$B_0^2(t) = t^2 - 2t + 1$$

$$B_1^2(t) = -2t^2 + 2t$$

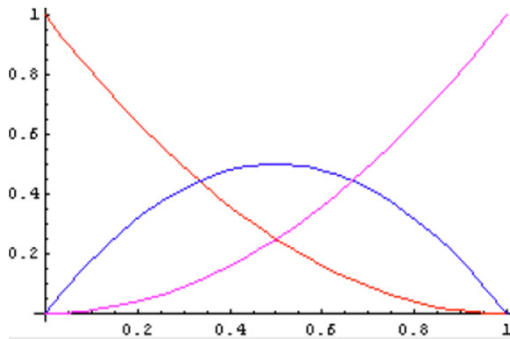
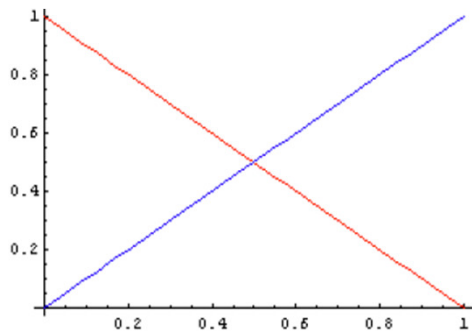
$$B_2^2(t) = t^2$$

$$B_0^3(t) = -t^3 + 3t^2 - 3t + 1$$

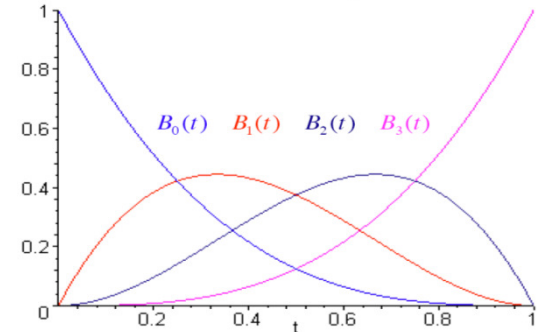
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Bernstein Cubic Polynomials



$$B_i^n(t) = \binom{n}{i} (1-t)^{n-i} (t)^i$$

$$\binom{n}{i} = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$$

$$\sum B_i^n(t) = 1$$

$n!$  = factorial of  $n$   
 $(n+1)! = n! \times (n+1)$

# General Bézier Curves

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- ▶  $n$ th-order Bernstein polynomials form  $n$ th-order Bézier curves

$$B_i^n(t) = \binom{n}{i} (1-t)^{n-i} (t)^i$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n B_i^n(t) \mathbf{p}_i$$

# Bézier Curve Properties

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## Overview:

- ▶ Convex Hull property
- ▶ Affine Invariance

# Definitions

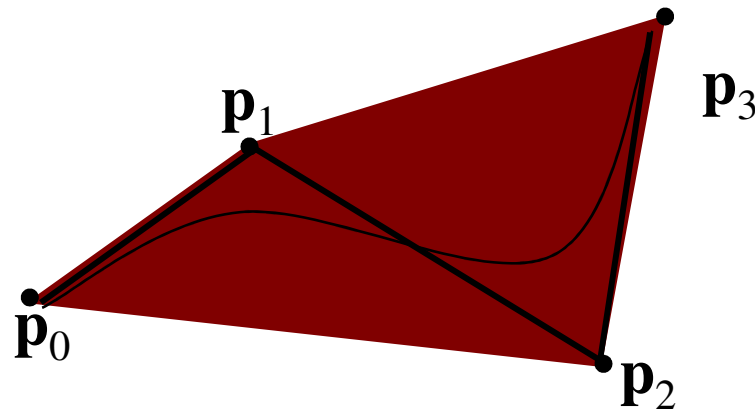
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- ▶ **Convex hull** of a set of points:
  - ▶ Polyhedral volume created such that all lines connecting any two points lie completely inside it (or on its boundary)
- ▶ **Convex combination** of a set of points:
  - ▶ Weighted average of the points, where all weights between 0 and 1, sum up to 1
- ▶ Any convex combination of a set of points lies within the convex hull

# Convex Hull Property

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- ▶ A Bézier curve is a convex combination of the control points (by definition, see Bernstein polynomials)
- ▶ A Bézier curve is always inside the convex hull
  - ▶ Makes curve predictable
  - ▶ Allows culling, intersection testing, adaptive tessellation
- ▶ Demo: <http://www.cs.princeton.edu/~min/cs426/jar/bezier.html>





# Affine Invariance

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## Transforming Bézier curves

- ▶ Two ways to transform:
  - ▶ Transform the control points, then compute resulting spline points
  - ▶ Compute spline points, then transform them
- ▶ Either way, we get the same points
  - ▶ Curve is defined via affine combination of points
  - ▶ Invariant under affine transformations (i.e., translation, scale, rotation, shear)
  - ▶ Convex hull property remains true

# Cubic Polynomial Form

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Start with Bernstein form:

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (-t^3 + 3t^2 - 3t + 1)\mathbf{p}_0 + (3t^3 - 6t^2 + 3t)\mathbf{p}_1 + (-3t^3 + 3t^2)\mathbf{p}_2 + (t^3)\mathbf{p}_3$$

Regroup into coefficients of  $t$  :

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (-\mathbf{p}_0 + 3\mathbf{p}_1 - 3\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_3)t^3 + (3\mathbf{p}_0 - 6\mathbf{p}_1 + 3\mathbf{p}_2)t^2 + (-3\mathbf{p}_0 + 3\mathbf{p}_1)t + (\mathbf{p}_0)1$$

$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{a}t^3 + \mathbf{b}t^2 + \mathbf{c}t + \mathbf{d}$	$\mathbf{a} = (-\mathbf{p}_0 + 3\mathbf{p}_1 - 3\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_3)$
	$\mathbf{b} = (3\mathbf{p}_0 - 6\mathbf{p}_1 + 3\mathbf{p}_2)$
	$\mathbf{c} = (-3\mathbf{p}_0 + 3\mathbf{p}_1)$
	$\mathbf{d} = (\mathbf{p}_0)$

- ▶ Good for fast evaluation
  - ▶ Precompute constant coefficients ( $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}$ )
- ▶ Not much geometric intuition

# Cubic Matrix Form

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{\mathbf{a}} & \vec{\mathbf{b}} & \vec{\mathbf{c}} & \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\mathbf{a}} &= (-\mathbf{p}_0 + 3\mathbf{p}_1 - 3\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_3) \\ \vec{\mathbf{b}} &= (3\mathbf{p}_0 - 6\mathbf{p}_1 + 3\mathbf{p}_2) \\ \vec{\mathbf{c}} &= (-3\mathbf{p}_0 + 3\mathbf{p}_1) \\ \mathbf{d} &= (\mathbf{p}_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 & \mathbf{p}_1 & \mathbf{p}_2 & \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{G}_{Bez}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}_{Bez}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{T}}$$

- ▶ Other types of cubic splines use different basis matrices  $\mathbf{B}_{Bez}$

# Cubic Matrix Form

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- ▶ In 3D: 3 equations for x, y and z:

$$\mathbf{x}_x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} p_{0x} & p_{1x} & p_{2x} & p_{3x} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_y(t) = \begin{bmatrix} p_{0y} & p_{1y} & p_{2y} & p_{3y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_z(t) = \begin{bmatrix} p_{0z} & p_{1z} & p_{2z} & p_{3z} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Matrix Form

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- ▶ Bundle into a single matrix

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} p_{0x} & p_{1x} & p_{2x} & p_{3x} \\ p_{0y} & p_{1y} & p_{2y} & p_{3y} \\ p_{0z} & p_{1z} & p_{2z} & p_{3z} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{G}_{Bez} \mathbf{B}_{Bez} \mathbf{T}$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{T}$$

- ▶ Efficient evaluation
  - ▶ Pre-compute  $\mathbf{C}$
  - ▶ Take advantage of existing 4x4 matrix hardware support

# Lecture Overview

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- ▶ **Polynomial Curves**
  - ▶ Introduction
  - ▶ Polynomial functions
- ▶ **Bézier Curves**
  - ▶ Introduction
  - ▶ **Drawing Bézier curves**
  - ▶ Piecewise Bézier curves

# Drawing Bézier Curves

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- ▶ Draw *line segments* or individual pixels
- ▶ Approximate the curve as a series of line segments (*tessellation*)
  - ▶ Uniform sampling
  - ▶ Adaptive sampling
  - ▶ Recursive subdivision

# Uniform Sampling

- ▶ Approximate curve with  $N$  straight segments

- ▶  $N$  chosen in advance

- ▶ Evaluate  $\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{x}(t_i)$  where  $t_i = \frac{i}{N}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \vec{\mathbf{a}} \frac{i^3}{N^3} + \vec{\mathbf{b}} \frac{i^2}{N^2} + \vec{\mathbf{c}} \frac{i}{N} + \mathbf{d}$$

- ▶ Connect the points with lines

- ▶ Too few points?

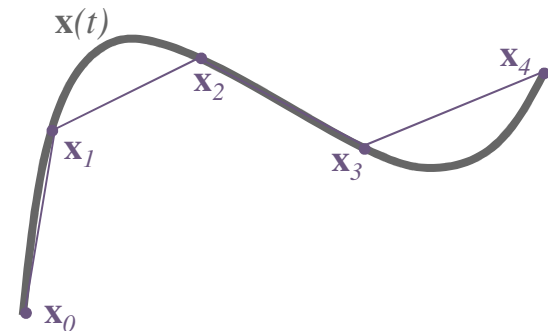
- ▶ Poor approximation

- ▶ “Curve” is faceted

- ▶ Too many points?

- ▶ Slow to draw too many line segments

- ▶ Segments may draw on top of each other

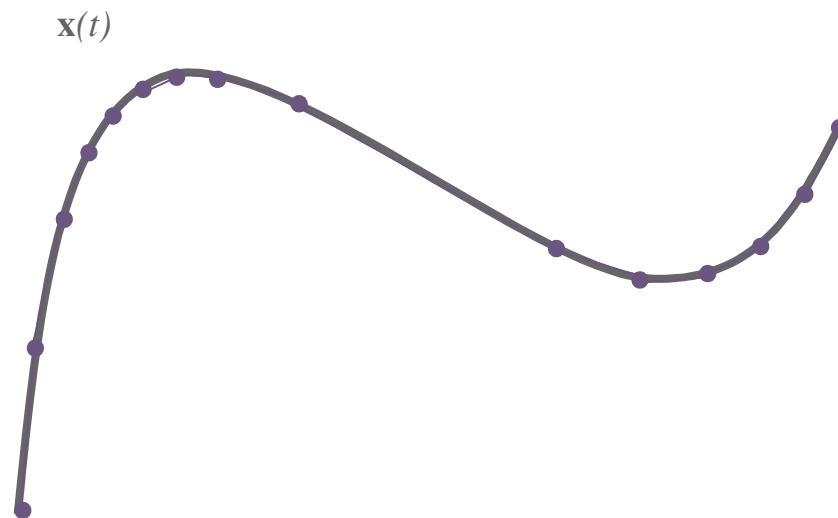




# Adaptive Sampling

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- ▶ Use only as many line segments as you need
  - ▶ Fewer segments where curve is mostly flat
  - ▶ More segments where curve bends
  - ▶ Segments never smaller than a pixel



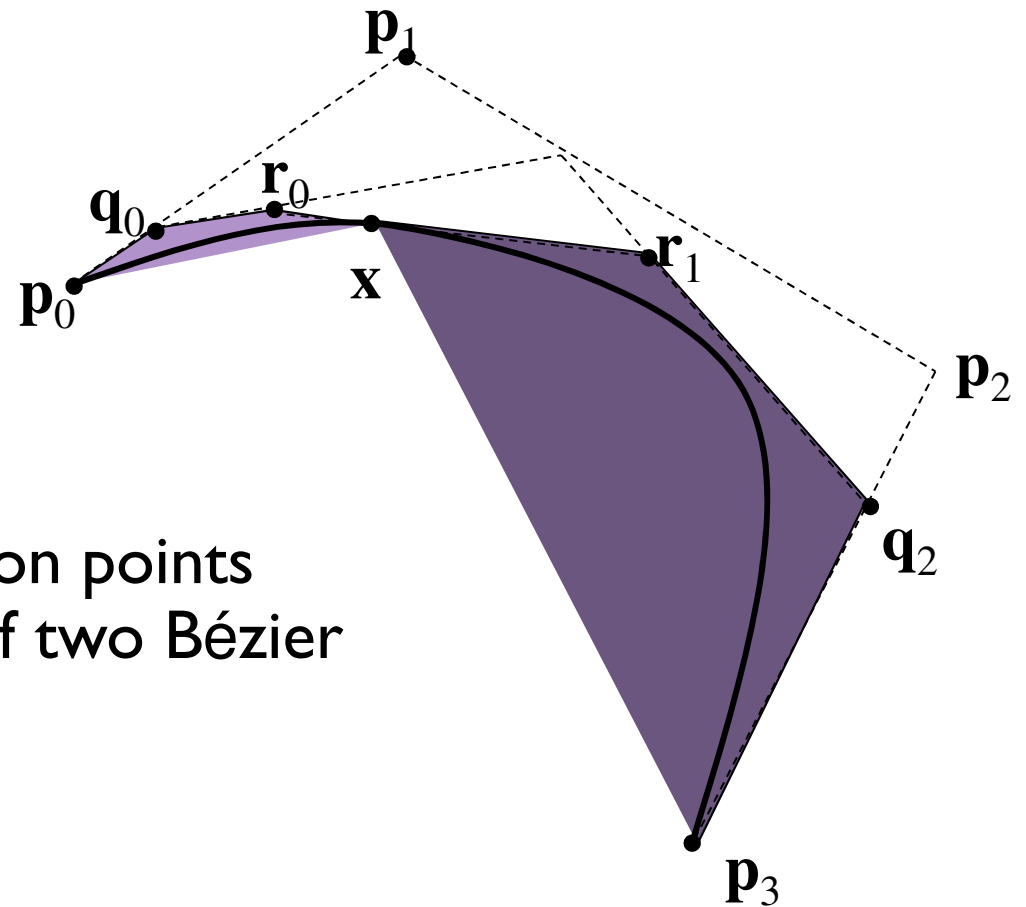
# Recursive Subdivision

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- ▶ Any cubic curve segment can be expressed as a Bézier curve
- ▶ Any piece of a cubic curve is itself a cubic curve
- ▶ Therefore:
  - ▶ Any Bézier curve can be broken down into smaller Bézier curves

# De Casteljau Subdivision

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- ▶ De Casteljau construction points are the control points of two Bézier sub-segments

# Adaptive Subdivision Algorithm

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- ▶ Use De Casteljau construction to split Bézier segment in half
- ▶ For each half
  - ▶ If “flat enough”: draw line segment
  - ▶ Else: recurse
- ▶ Curve is flat enough if hull is flat enough
  - ▶ Test how far the approximating control points are from a straight segment
    - ▶ If less than one pixel, the hull is flat enough

# Drawing Bézier Curves With OpenGL

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- ▶ Indirect OpenGL support for drawing curves:
  - ▶ Define evaluator map (`glMap`)
  - ▶ Draw line strip by evaluating map (`glEvalCoord`)
  - ▶ Optimize by pre-computing coordinate grid (`glMapGrid` and `glEvalMesh`)
- ▶ More details about OpenGL implementation:
  - ▶ [http://www.cs.duke.edu/courses/fall09/cps124/notes/12\\_curves/opengl\\_nurbs.pdf](http://www.cs.duke.edu/courses/fall09/cps124/notes/12_curves/opengl_nurbs.pdf)

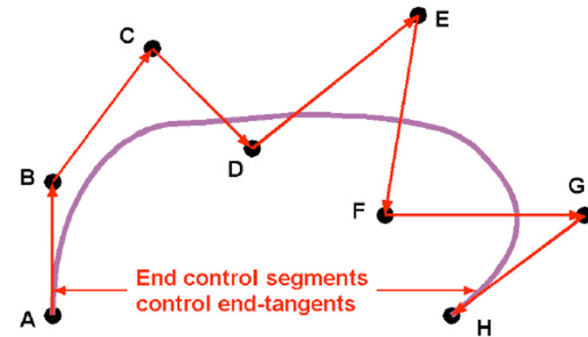
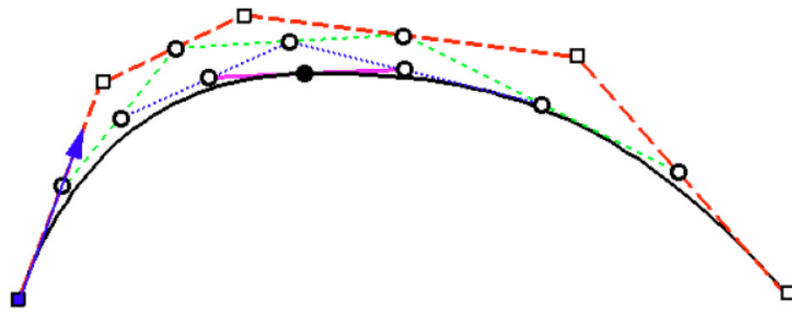
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  - ▶ **Piecewise Bézier curves**

# More Control Points

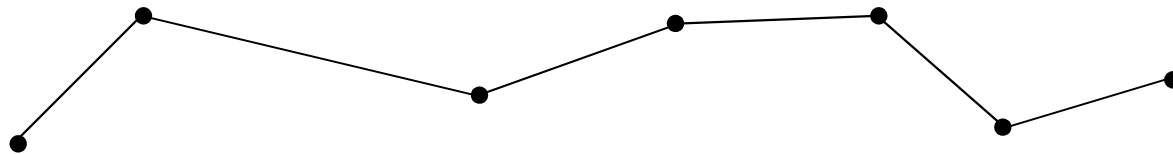
- ▶ Cubic Bézier curve limited to 4 control points
  - ▶ Cubic curve can only have one inflection (point where curve changes direction of bending)
  - ▶ Need more control points for more complex curves
- ▶  $k-1$  order Bézier curve with  $k$  control points



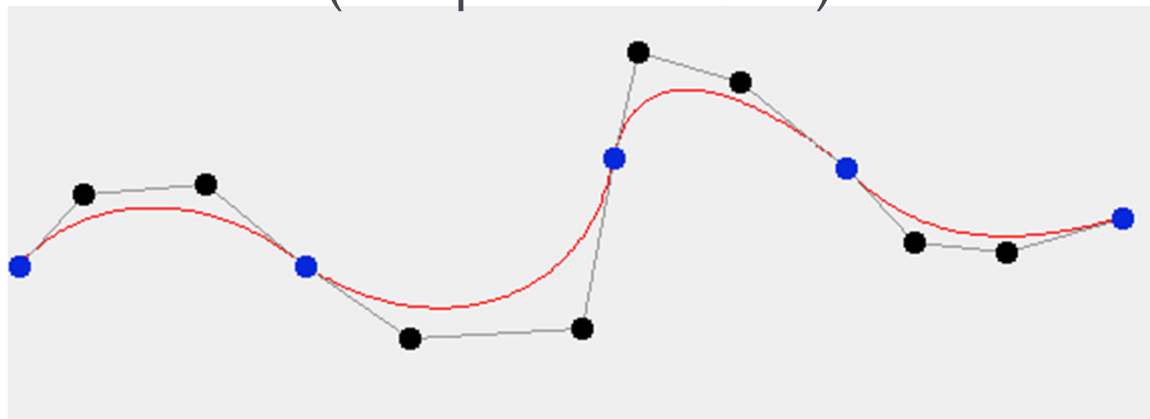
- ▶ Hard to control and hard to work with
  - ▶ Intermediate points don't have obvious effect on shape
  - ▶ Changing any control point changes the whole curve
  - ▶ Want *local support*: each control point only influences nearby portion of curve

# Piecewise Curves

- ▶ Sequence of line segments
  - ▶ *Piecewise linear* curve



- ▶ Sequence of simple (low-order) curves, end-to-end
  - ▶ Known as a *piecewise polynomial curve*
- ▶ Sequence of cubic curve segments
  - ▶ *Piecewise cubic* curve (here piecewise Bézier)





# Parametric Continuity

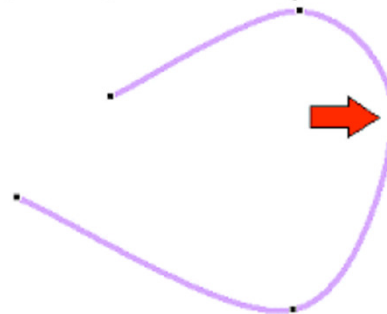
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- ▶  **$C^0$  continuity:**
  - ▶ Curve segments are connected
- ▶  **$C^1$  continuity:**
  - ▶  $C^0$  & 1st-order derivatives agree
  - ▶ Curves have same tangents
  - ▶ Relevant for smooth shading
- ▶  **$C^2$  continuity:**
  - ▶  $C^1$  & 2nd-order derivatives agree
  - ▶ Curves have same tangents and curvature
  - ▶ Relevant for high quality reflections

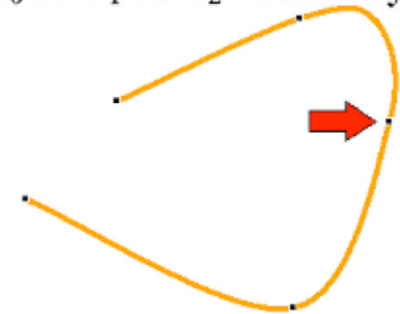
$C_0$  continuity



$C_0$  &  $C_1$  continuity



$C_0$  &  $C_1$  &  $C_2$  continuity



# Overview

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- ▶ Piecewise Bezier curves
- ▶ Bezier surfaces

# Global Parameterization

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- ▶ Given  $N$  curve segments  $\mathbf{x}_0(t), \mathbf{x}_1(t), \dots, \mathbf{x}_{N-1}(t)$
- ▶ Each is parameterized for  $t$  from 0 to 1
- ▶ Define a piecewise curve
  - ▶ Global parameter  $u$  from 0 to  $N$

$$\mathbf{x}(u) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_0(u), & 0 \leq u \leq 1 \\ \mathbf{x}_1(u-1), & 1 \leq u \leq 2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{N-1}(u-(N-1)), & N-1 \leq u \leq N \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{x}(u) = \mathbf{x}_i(u-i), \text{ where } i = \lfloor u \rfloor \quad (\text{and } \mathbf{x}(N) = \mathbf{x}_{N-1}(1))$$

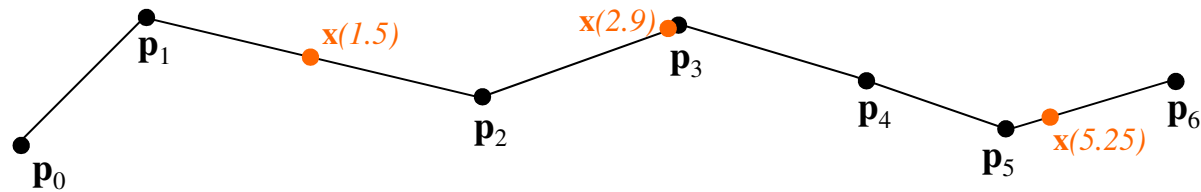
- ▶ Alternate: solution  $u$  also goes from 0 to 1

$$\mathbf{x}(u) = \mathbf{x}_i(Nu-i), \text{ where } i = \lfloor Nu \rfloor$$

# Piecewise-Linear Curve

- ▶ Given  $N+1$  points  $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_N$
- ▶ Define curve

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}(u) &= \text{Lerp}(u - i, \mathbf{p}_i, \mathbf{p}_{i+1}), & i \leq u \leq i+1 \\ &= (1 - u + i)\mathbf{p}_i + (u - i)\mathbf{p}_{i+1}, & i = \lfloor u \rfloor \end{aligned}$$



- ▶  $N+1$  points define  $N$  linear segments
- ▶  $\mathbf{x}(i) = \mathbf{p}_i$
- ▶  $C^0$  continuous by construction
- ▶  $C^1$  at  $\mathbf{p}_i$  when  $\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_{i-1} = \mathbf{p}_{i+1} - \mathbf{p}_i$

# Piecewise Bézier curve

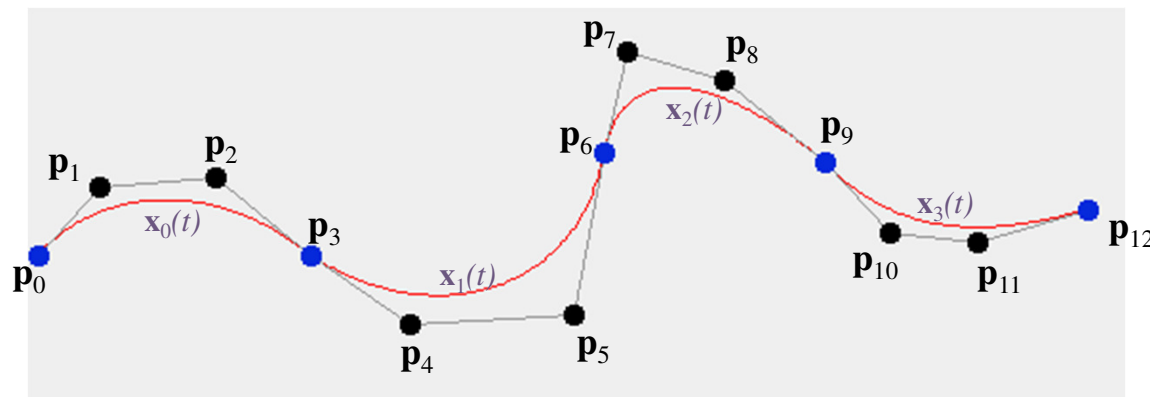
- Given  $3N + 1$  points  $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_{3N}$
- Define  $N$  Bézier segments:

$$\mathbf{x}_0(t) = B_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + B_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1 + B_2(t)\mathbf{p}_2 + B_3(t)\mathbf{p}_3$$

$$\mathbf{x}_1(t) = B_0(t)\mathbf{p}_3 + B_1(t)\mathbf{p}_4 + B_2(t)\mathbf{p}_5 + B_3(t)\mathbf{p}_6$$

⋮

$$\mathbf{x}_{N-1}(t) = B_0(t)\mathbf{p}_{3N-3} + B_1(t)\mathbf{p}_{3N-2} + B_2(t)\mathbf{p}_{3N-1} + B_3(t)\mathbf{p}_{3N}$$

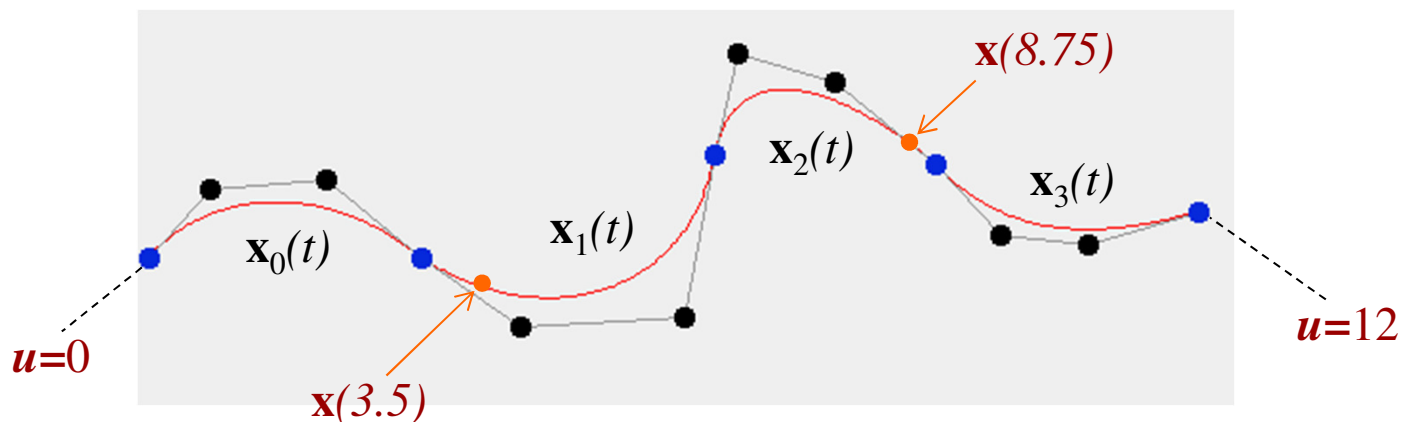


# Piecewise Bézier Curve

- ▶ Parameter in  $0 \leq u \leq 3N$

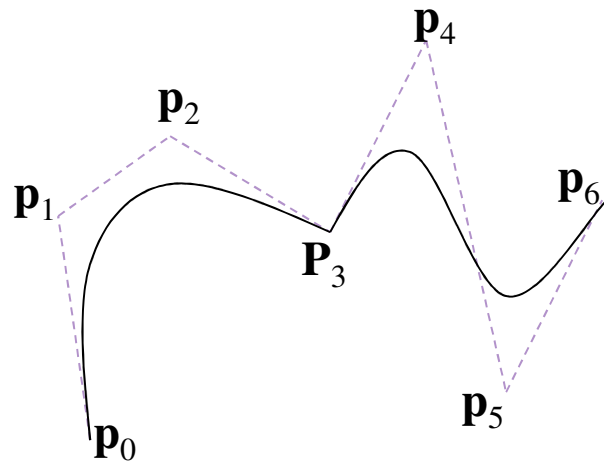
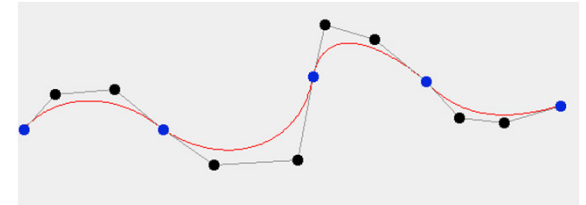
$$\mathbf{x}(u) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}_0\left(\frac{1}{3}u\right), & 0 \leq u \leq 3 \\ \mathbf{x}_1\left(\frac{1}{3}u - 1\right), & 3 \leq u \leq 6 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{N-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}u - (N-1)\right), & 3N-3 \leq u \leq 3N \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{x}(u) = \mathbf{x}_i\left(\frac{1}{3}u - i\right), \text{ where } i = \lfloor \frac{1}{3}u \rfloor$$

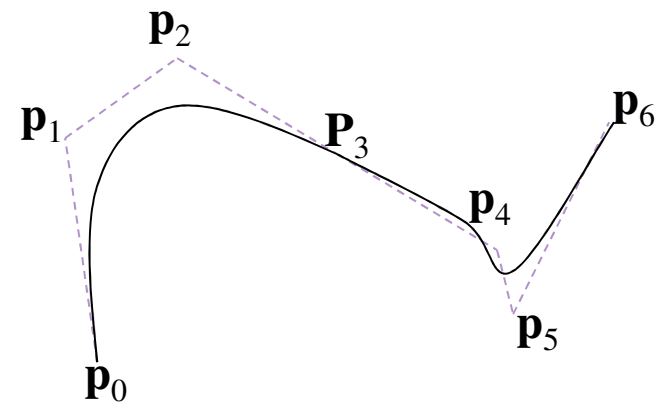


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- ▶  $C_2$  is harder to achieve



$C_1$  discontinuous



$C_1$  continuous

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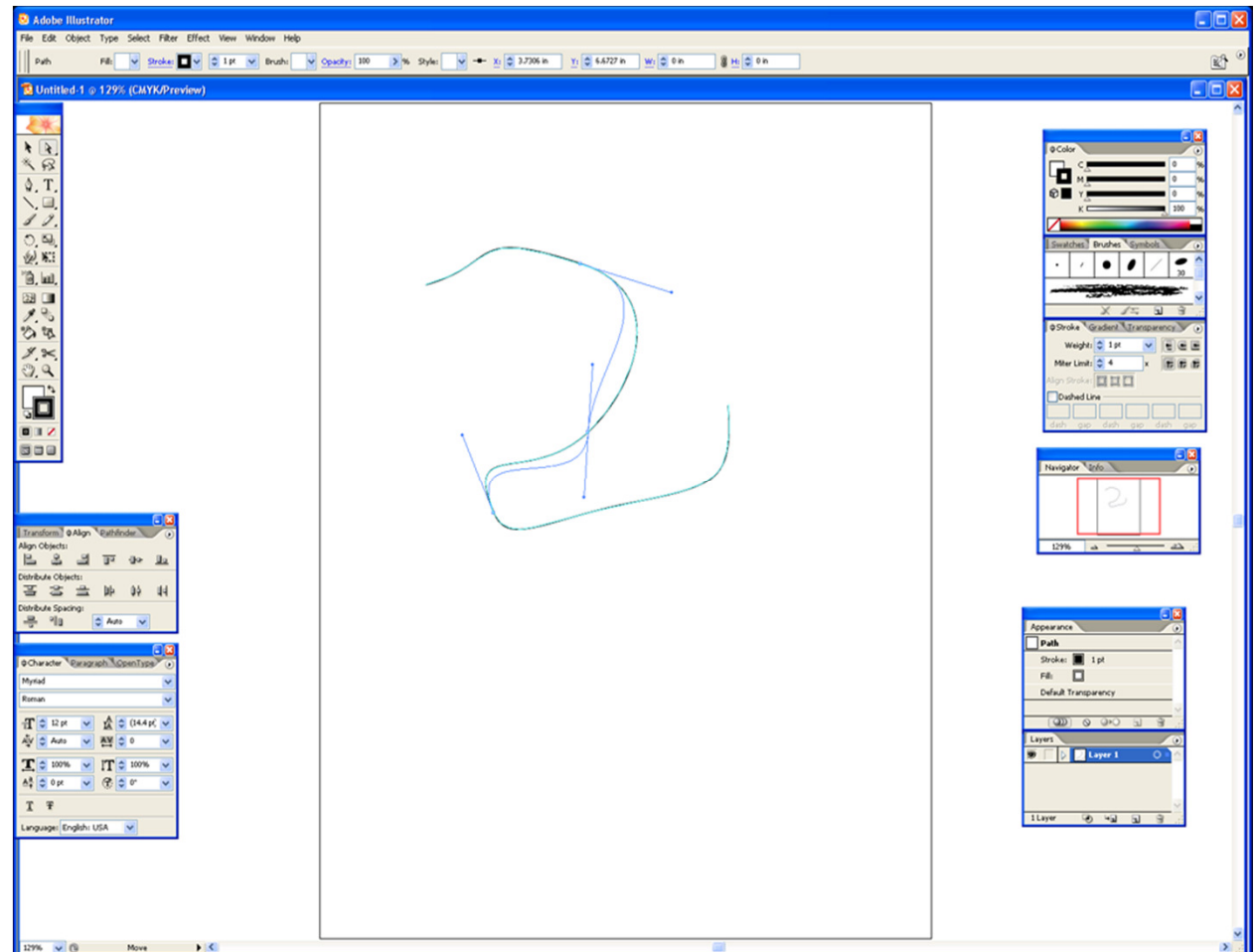
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- ▶ Used often in 2D drawing programs
- ▶ Inconveniences
  - ▶ Must have 4 or 7 or 10 or 13 or ... (1 plus a multiple of 3) control points
  - ▶ Some points interpolate, others approximate
  - ▶ Need to impose constraints on control points to obtain  $C^1$  continuity
  - ▶  $C_2$  continuity more difficult
- ▶ Solutions
  - ▶ User interface using “Bézier handles”
  - ▶ Generalization to B-splines or NURBS



# Bézier Handles

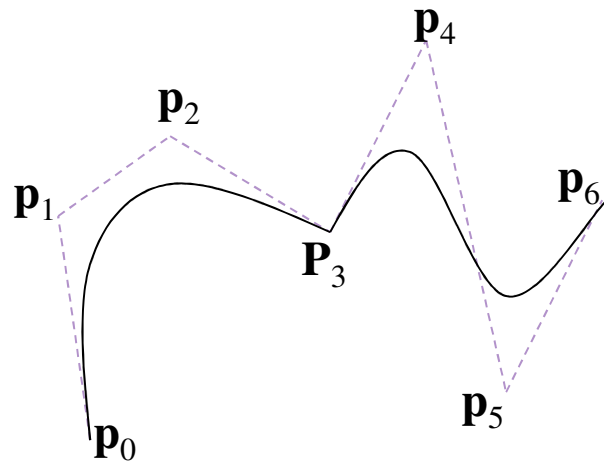
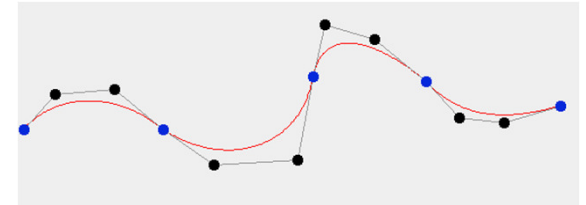
- ▶ Segment end points (interpolating) presented as curve control points
- ▶ Midpoints (approximating points) presented as “handles”
- ▶ Can have option to enforce  $C_1$  continuity



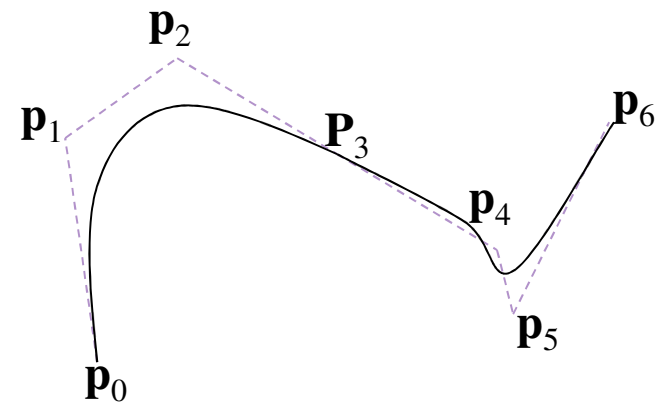
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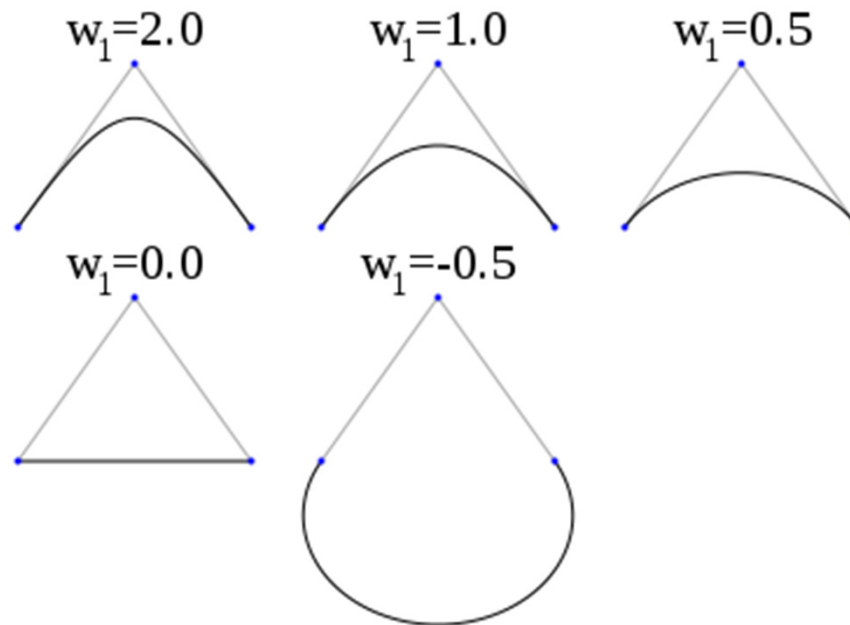


$C_1$  continuous

# Rational Curves

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- ▶ Weight causes point to “pull” more (or less)
- ▶ Can model circles with proper points and weights,
- ▶ Below: rational quadratic Bézier curve (three control points)



# B-Splines

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- ▶ B as in **B**asis-Splines
- ▶ Basis is blending function
- ▶ Difference to Bézier blending function:
  - ▶ B-spline blending function can be zero outside a particular range (limits scope over which a control point has influence)
- ▶ B-Spline is defined by control points and range in which each control point is active.

# NURBS

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- ▶ **Non Uniform Rational B-Splines**
- ▶ Generalization of Bézier curves
- ▶ Non uniform:
- ▶ Combine B-Splines (limited scope of control points) and Rational Curves (weighted control points)
- ▶ Can exactly model conic sections (circles, ellipses)
- ▶ OpenGL support: see `gluNurbsCurve`
- ▶ Demo:  
<http://bentonian.com/teaching/AdvGraph0809/demos/Nurbs2c/index.html>
- ▶ <http://mathworld.wolfram.com/NURBSCurve.html>

# Overview

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- ▶ **Bi-linear patch**
- ▶ Bi-cubic Bézier patch
- ▶ Advanced parametric surfaces

# Curved Surfaces

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## Curves

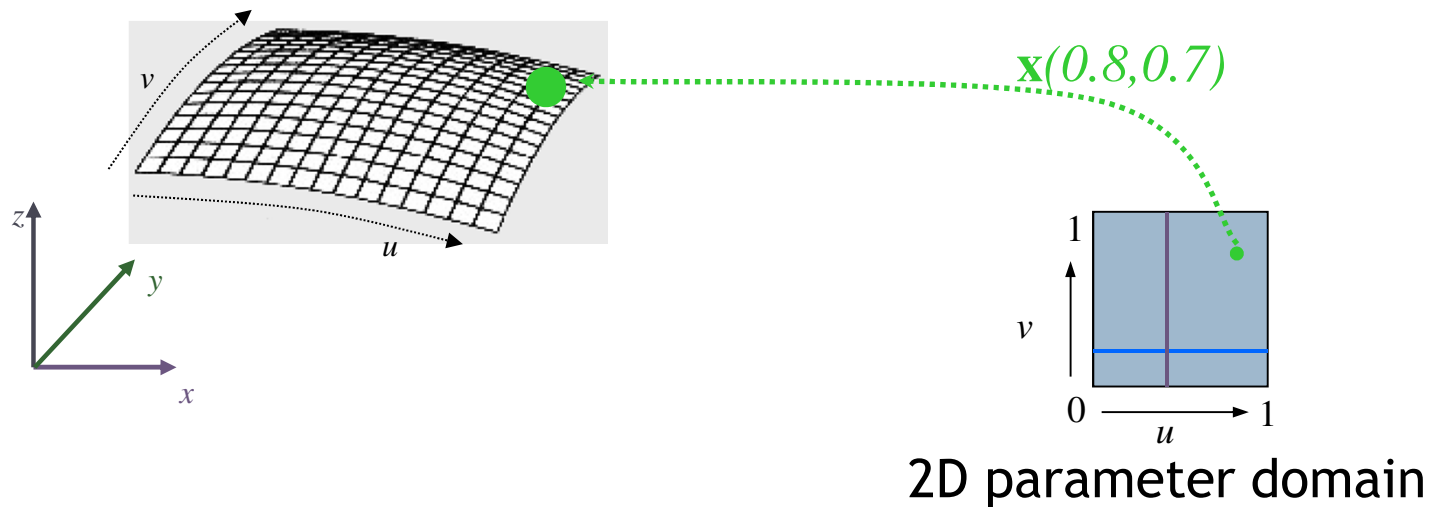
- ▶ Described by a 1D series of control points
- ▶ A function  $\mathbf{x}(t)$
- ▶ Segments joined together to form a longer curve

## Surfaces

- ▶ Described by a 2D mesh of control points
- ▶ Parameters have two dimensions (two dimensional parameter domain)
- ▶ A function  $\mathbf{x}(u, v)$
- ▶ **Patches** joined together to form a bigger surface

# Parametric Surface Patch

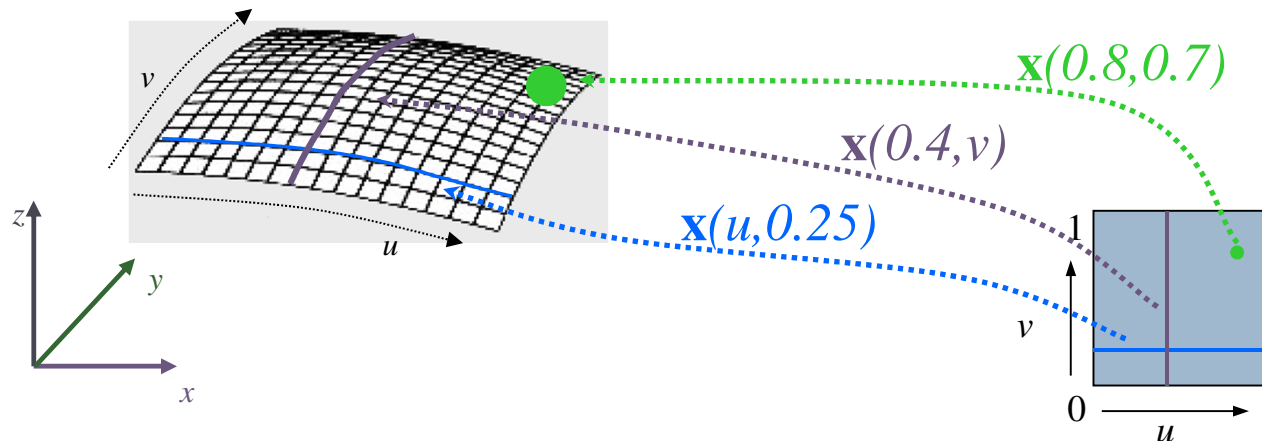
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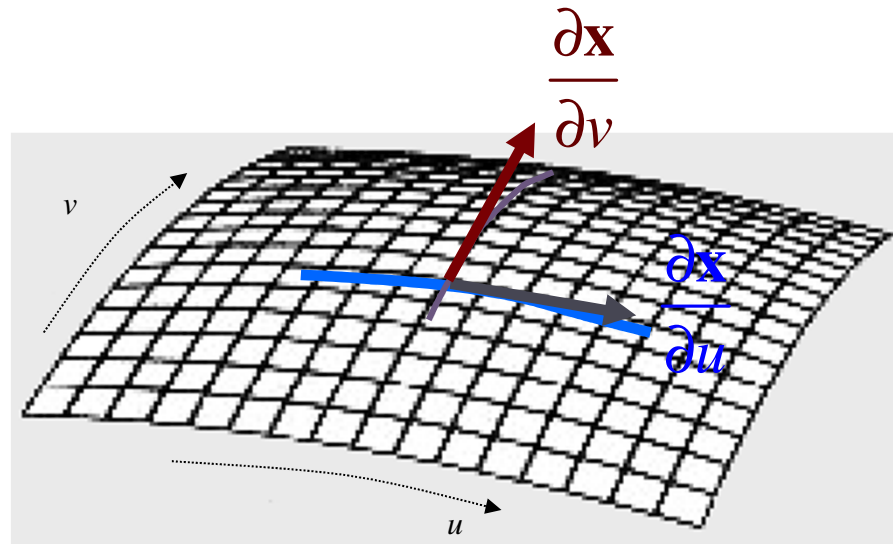


2D parameter domain

- ▶ Parametric curves
  - ▶ For fixed  $u_0$ , have a  $v$  curve  $\mathbf{x}(u_0, v)$
  - ▶ For fixed  $v_0$ , have a  $u$  curve  $\mathbf{x}(u, v_0)$
  - ▶ For any point on the surface, there are a pair of parametric curves through that point

# Tangents

- ▶ The tangent to a parametric curve is also tangent to the surface
- ▶ For any point on the surface, there are a pair of (parametric) tangent vectors
- ▶ Note: these vectors are not necessarily perpendicular to each other



# Tangents

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- Notation:

- The tangent along a  $u$  curve, AKA the tangent in the  $u$  direction, is written as:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u}(u, v) \text{ or } \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \mathbf{x}(u, v) \text{ or } \mathbf{x}_u(u, v)$$

- The tangent along a  $v$  curve, AKA the tangent in the  $v$  direction, is written as:

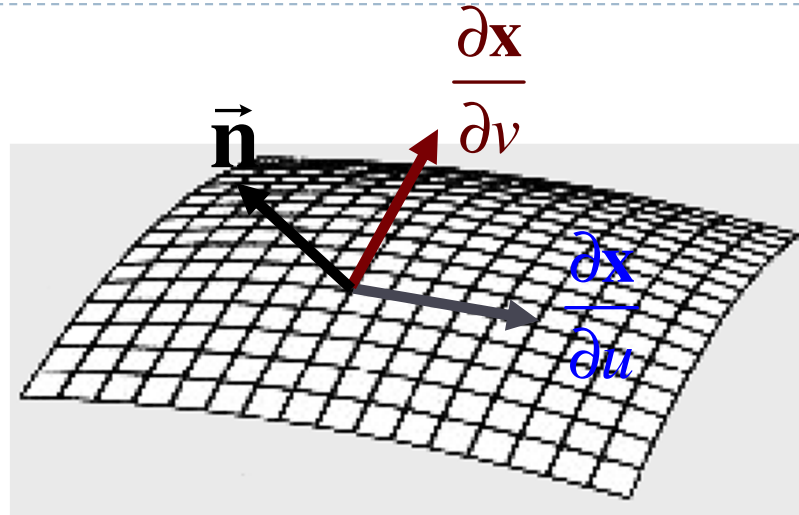
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v}(u, v) \text{ or } \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \mathbf{x}(u, v) \text{ or } \mathbf{x}_v(u, v)$$

- Note that each of these is a vector-valued function:

- At each point  $\mathbf{x}(u, v)$  on the surface, we have tangent vectors  $\frac{\partial}{\partial u} \mathbf{x}(u, v)$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial v} \mathbf{x}(u, v)$

# Surface Normal

- ▶ Normal is cross product of the two tangent vectors
- ▶ Order matters!



$$\vec{n}(u, v) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u}(u, v) \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v}(u, v)$$

Typically we are interested in the unit normal, so we need to normalize

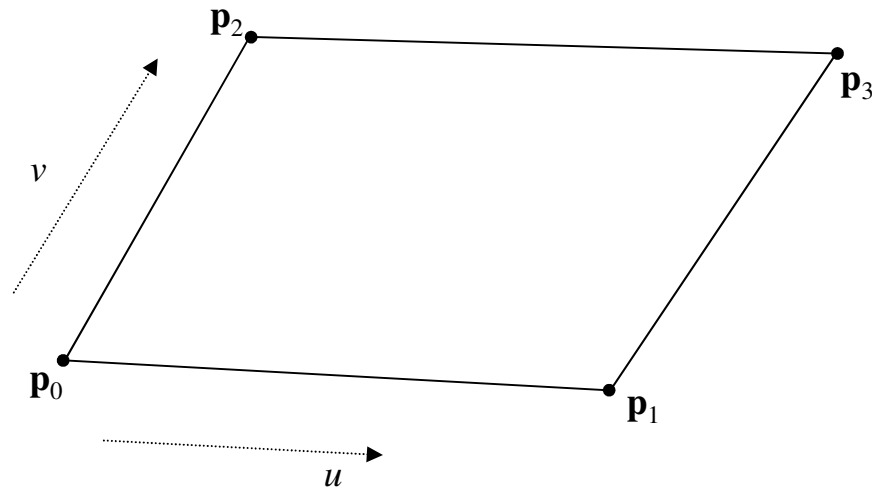
$$\vec{n}^*(u, v) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u}(u, v) \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v}(u, v)$$

$$\vec{n}(u, v) = \frac{\vec{n}^*(u, v)}{|\vec{n}^*(u, v)|}$$

# Bilinear Patch

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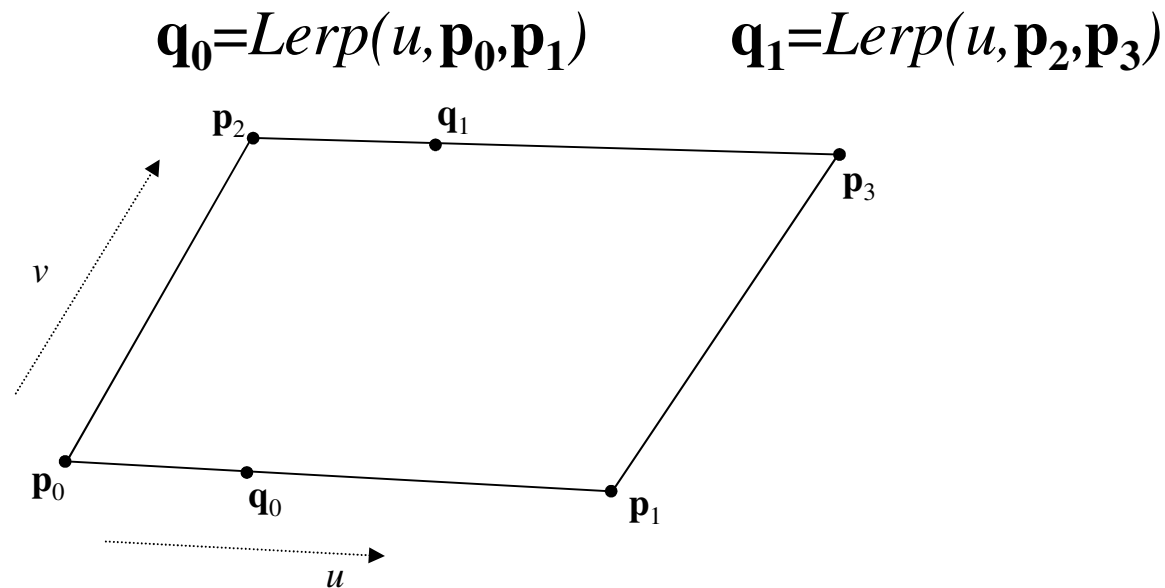
- ▶ Control mesh with four points  $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3$
- ▶ Compute  $\mathbf{x}(u, v)$  using a two-step construction scheme



# Bilinear Patch (Step 1)

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- ▶ For a given value of  $u$ , evaluate the linear curves on the two  $u$ -direction edges
- ▶ Use the same value  $u$  for both:

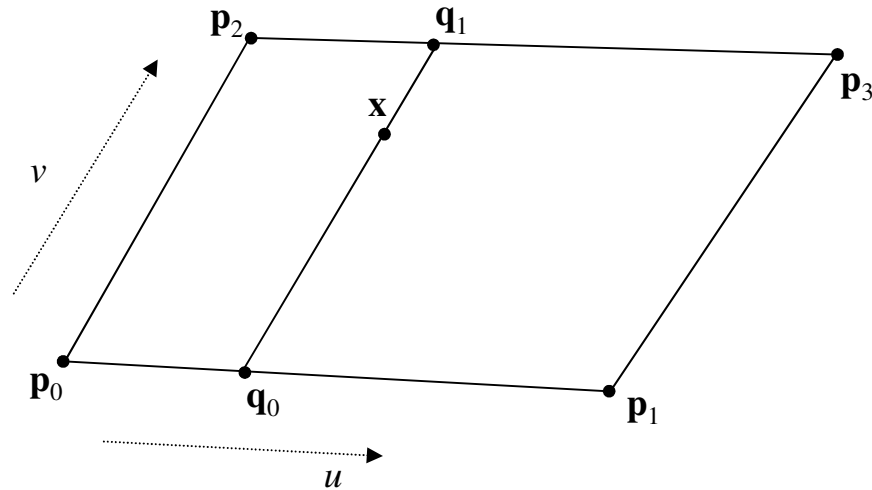


## Bilinear Patch (Step 2)

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- ▶ Consider that  $\mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_1$  define a line segment
- ▶ Evaluate it using  $v$  to get  $\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{x} = \text{Lerp}(v, \mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_1)$$

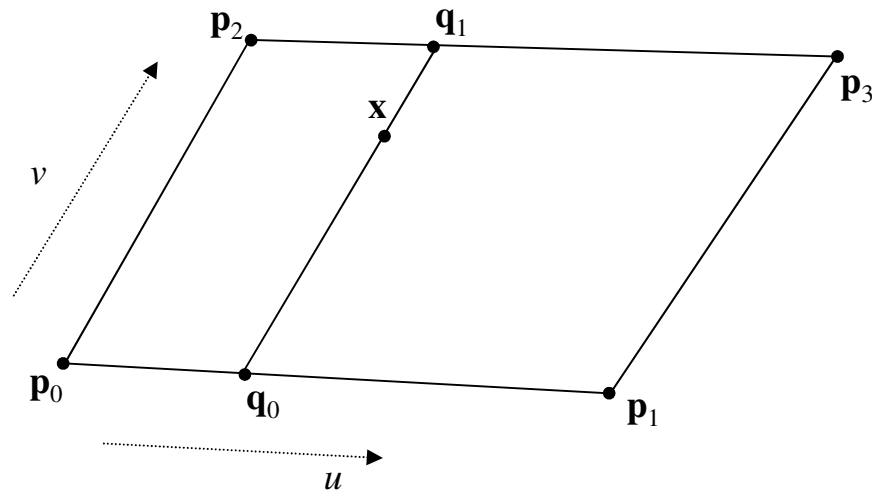


# Bilinear Patch

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- ▶ Combining the steps, we get the full formula

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \text{Lerp}(v, \text{Lerp}(u, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1), \text{Lerp}(u, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3))$$



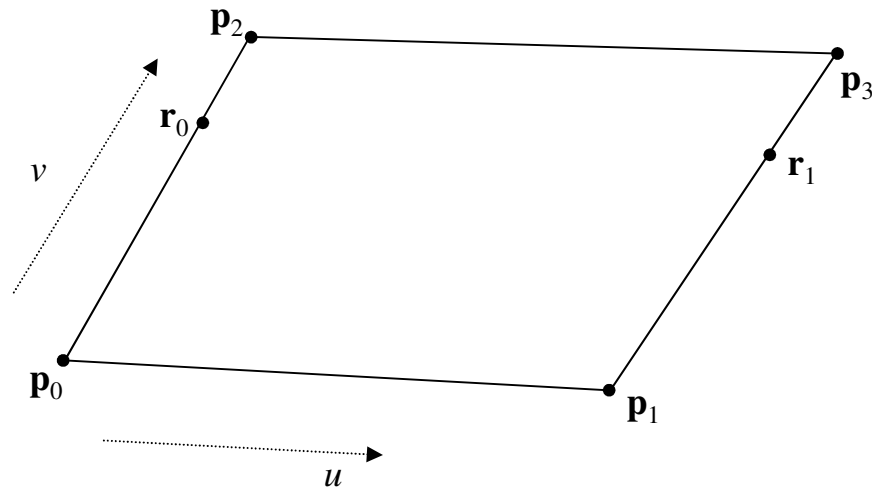


# Bilinear Patch

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- ▶ Try the other order
- ▶ Evaluate first in the  $v$  direction

$$\mathbf{r}_0 = \text{Lerp}(v, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_2) \quad \mathbf{r}_1 = \text{Lerp}(v, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_3)$$

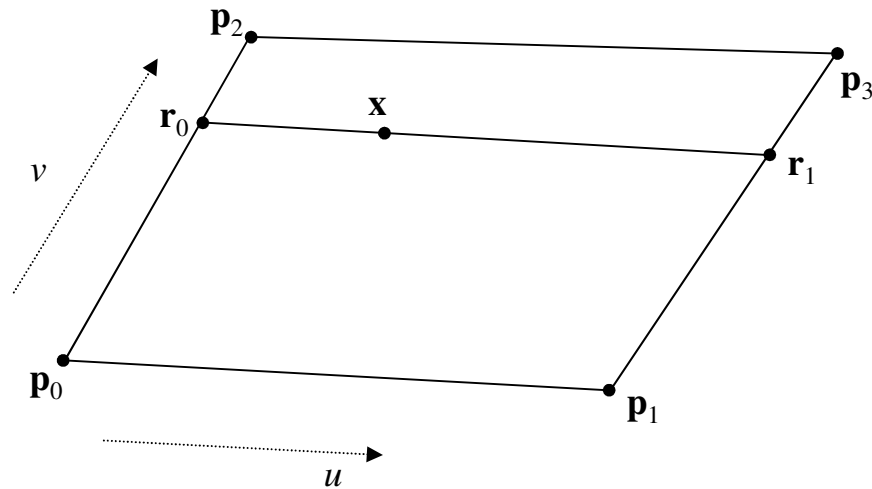


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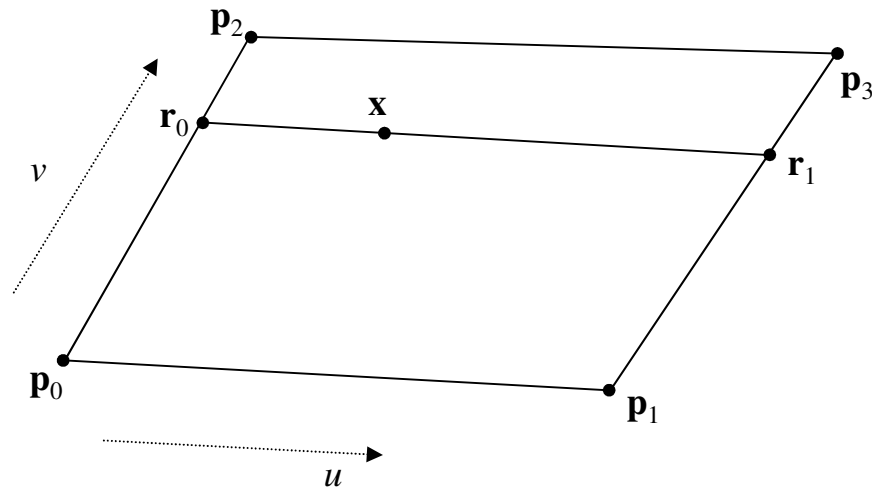


# Bilinear Patch

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- ▶ The full formula for the  $v$  direction first:

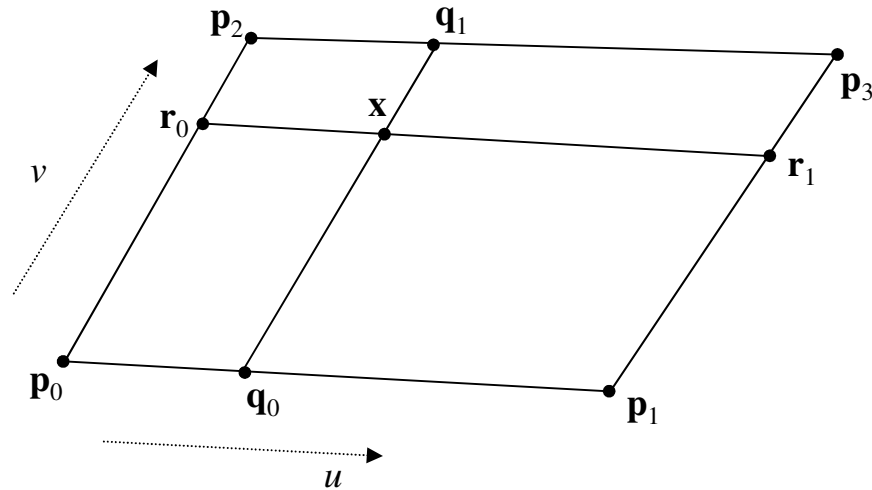
$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \text{Lerp}(u, \text{Lerp}(v, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_2), \text{Lerp}(v, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_3))$$



# Bilinear Patch

- ▶ Patch geometry is independent of the order of  $u$  and  $v$

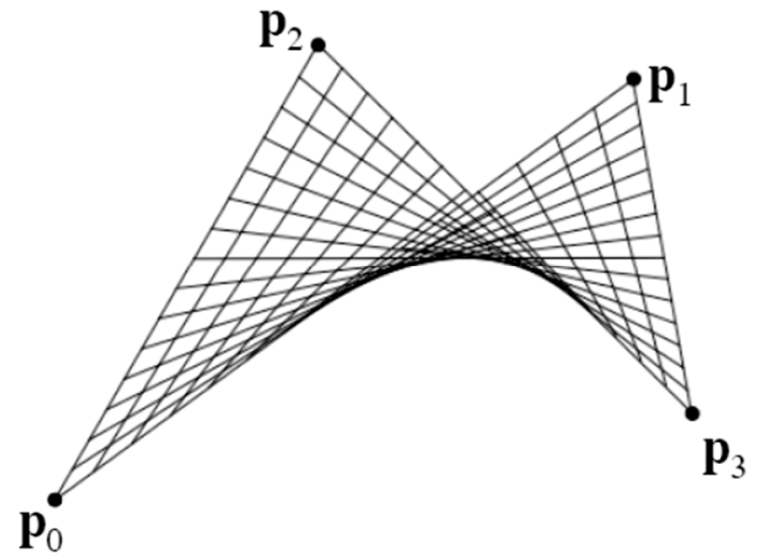
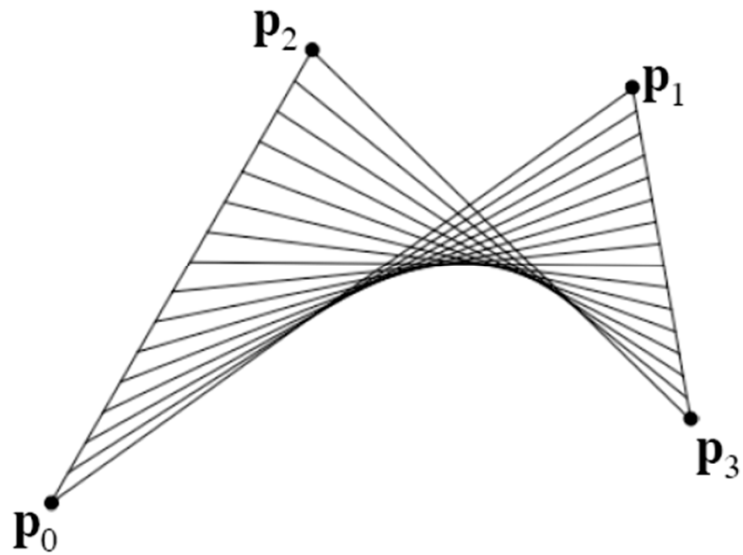
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# Bilinear Patch

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► Visualization



# Bilinear Patches

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- ▶ **Weighted sum of control points**

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (1-u)(1-v)\mathbf{p}_0 + u(1-v)\mathbf{p}_1 + (1-u)v\mathbf{p}_2 + uv\mathbf{p}_3$$

- ▶ **Bilinear polynomial**

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = (\mathbf{p}_0 - \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{p}_3)uv + (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_0)u + (\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_0)v + \mathbf{p}_0$$

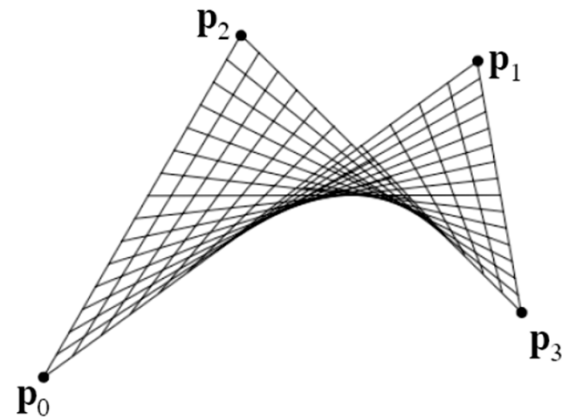
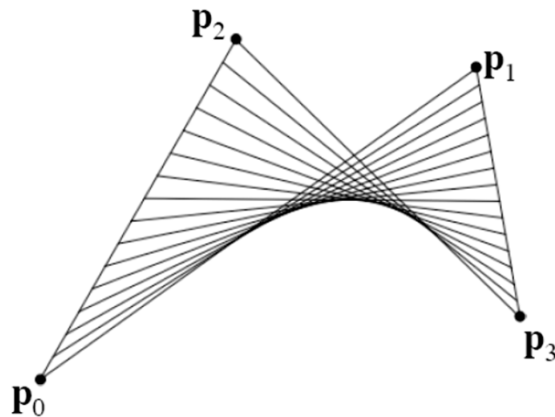
- ▶ **Matrix form**

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} 1-u & u \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 & \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 & \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1-v \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

# Properties

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- ▶ Interpolates the control points
- ▶ The boundaries are straight line segments
- ▶ If all 4 points of the control mesh are co-planar, the patch is flat
- ▶ If the points are not co-planar, we get a curved surface
  - ▶ saddle shape (hyperbolic paraboloid)
- ▶ *The parametric curves are all straight line segments!*
  - ▶ a (doubly) *ruled surface*: has (two) straight lines through every point



- ▶ Not terribly useful as a modeling primitive

# Overview

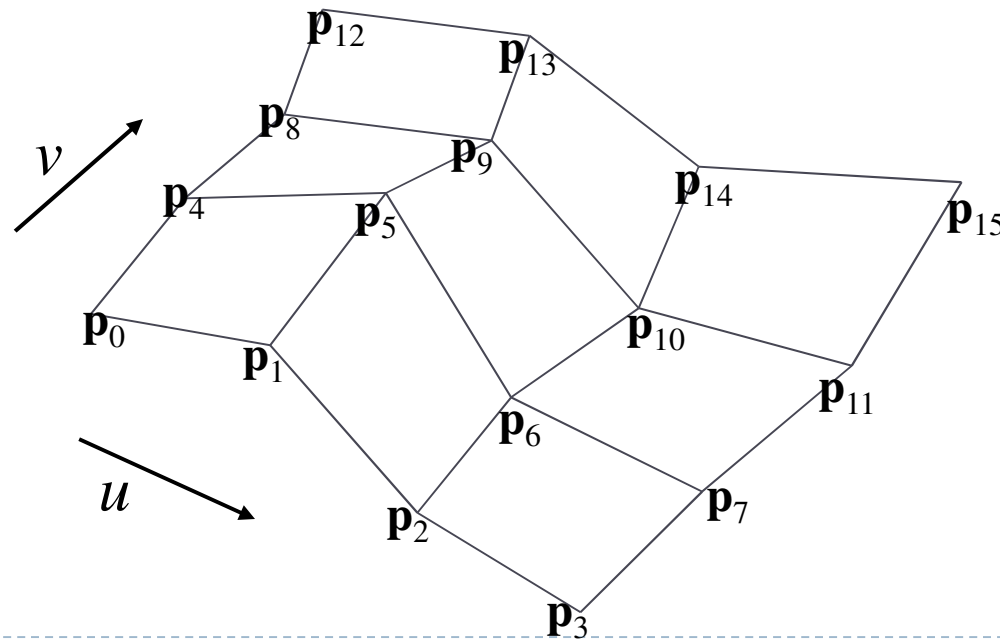
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- ▶ Bi-linear patch
- ▶ **Bi-cubic Bézier patch**
- ▶ Advanced parametric surfaces



# Bicubic Bézier patch

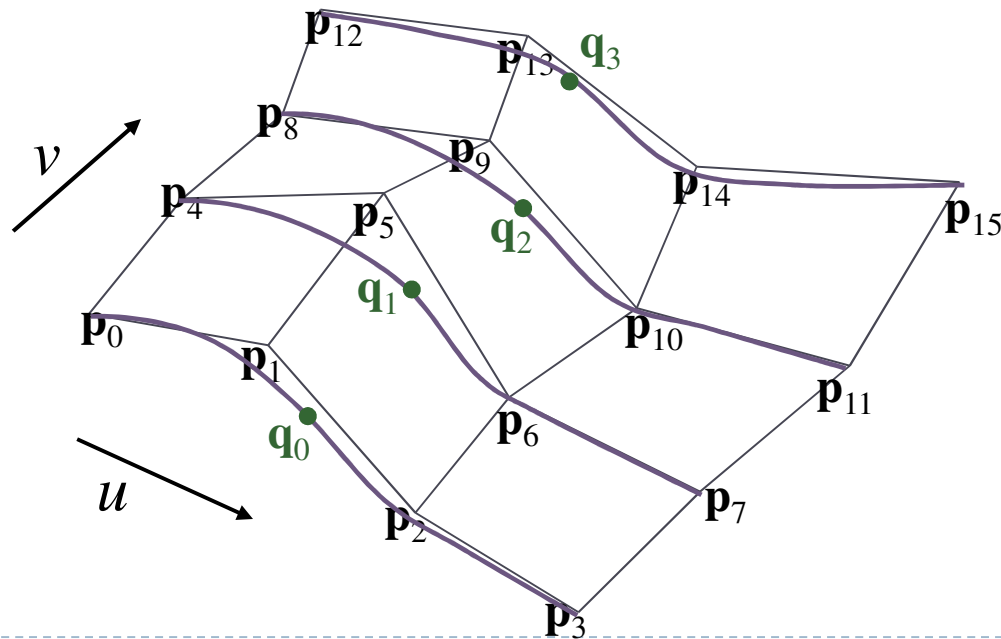
- ▶ Grid of 4x4 control points,  $\mathbf{p}_0$  through  $\mathbf{p}_{15}$
- ▶ Four rows of control points define Bézier curves along  $u$   
 $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3$ ;  $\mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_5, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_7$ ;  $\mathbf{p}_8, \mathbf{p}_9, \mathbf{p}_{10}, \mathbf{p}_{11}$ ;  $\mathbf{p}_{12}, \mathbf{p}_{13}, \mathbf{p}_{14}, \mathbf{p}_{15}$
- ▶ Four columns define Bézier curves along  $v$   
 $\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_8, \mathbf{p}_{12}$ ;  $\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_9, \mathbf{p}_{13}$ ;  $\mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_{10}, \mathbf{p}_{14}$ ;  $\mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_7, \mathbf{p}_{11}, \mathbf{p}_{15}$



# Bézier Patch (Step 1)

- ▶ Evaluate four  $u$ -direction Bézier curves at scalar value  $u [0..1]$

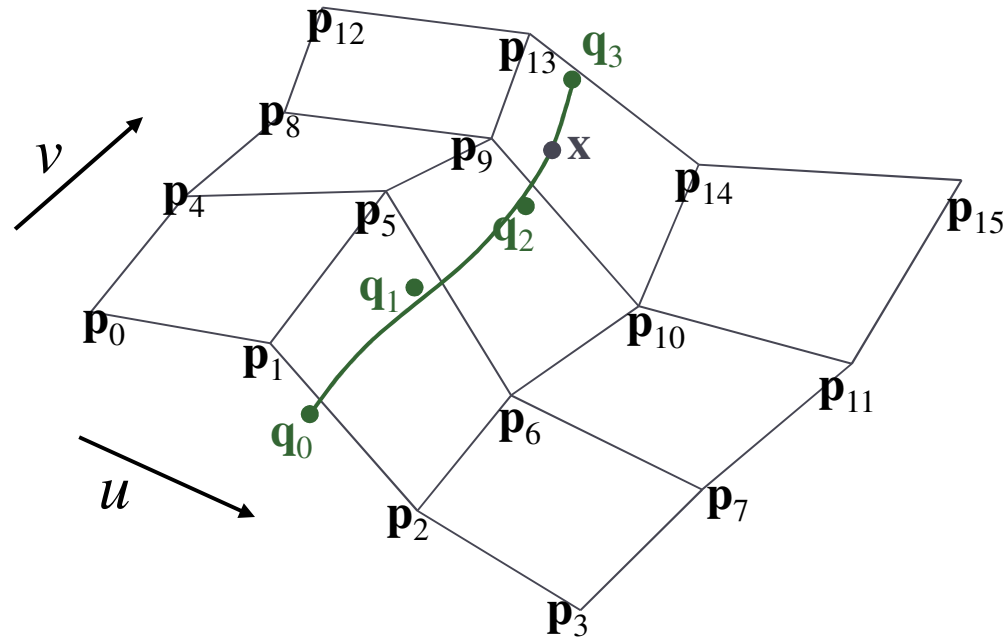
- ▶ Get points  $\mathbf{q}_0 \dots \mathbf{q}_3$ 
  - $\mathbf{q}_0 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3)$
  - $\mathbf{q}_1 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_5, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_7)$
  - $\mathbf{q}_2 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_8, \mathbf{p}_9, \mathbf{p}_{10}, \mathbf{p}_{11})$
  - $\mathbf{q}_3 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_{12}, \mathbf{p}_{13}, \mathbf{p}_{14}, \mathbf{p}_{15})$



## Bézier Patch (Step 2)

- ▶ Points  $\mathbf{q}_0 \dots \mathbf{q}_3$  define a Bézier curve
- ▶ Evaluate it at  $v [0..1]$

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \text{Bez}(v, \mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3)$$



# Bézier Patch

- ▶ Same result in either order (evaluate  $u$  before  $v$  or vice versa)

$$\mathbf{q}_0 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3)$$

$$\mathbf{q}_1 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_5, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_7)$$

$$\mathbf{q}_2 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_8, \mathbf{p}_9, \mathbf{p}_{10}, \mathbf{p}_{11}) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\mathbf{q}_3 = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{p}_{12}, \mathbf{p}_{13}, \mathbf{p}_{14}, \mathbf{p}_{15})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_0 = \text{Bez}(v, \mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_8, \mathbf{p}_{12})$$

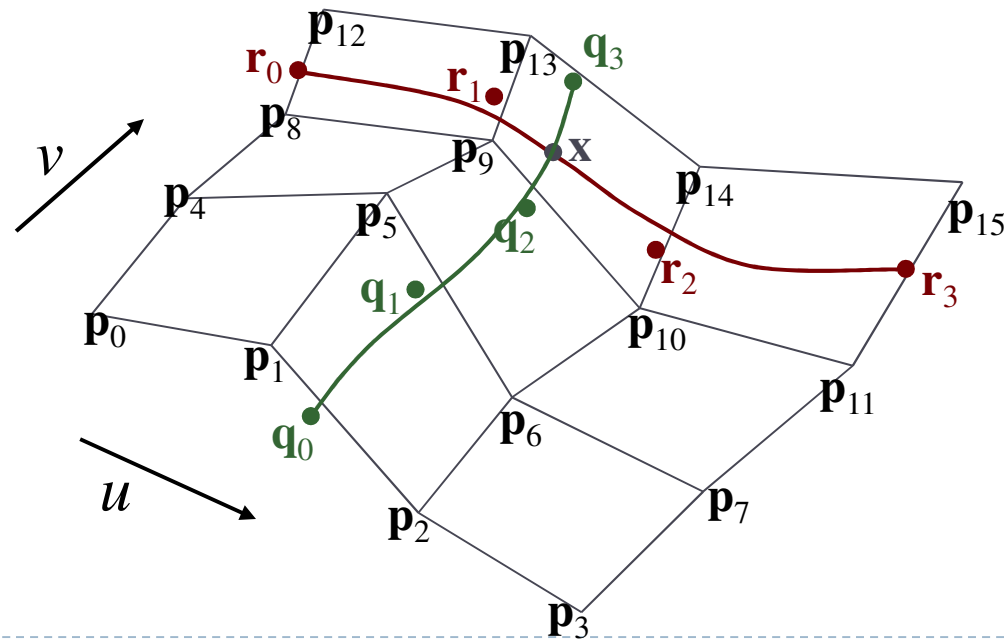
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$$\mathbf{r}_2 = \text{Bez}(v, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_{10}, \mathbf{p}_{14})$$

$$\mathbf{r}_3 = \text{Bez}(v, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_7, \mathbf{p}_{11}, \mathbf{p}_{15})$$

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \text{Bez}(v, \mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3)$$

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \text{Bez}(u, \mathbf{r}_0, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_3)$$



# Bézier Patch: Matrix Form

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} u^3 \\ u^2 \\ u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} v^3 \\ v^2 \\ v \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{Bez} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{B}_{Bez}^T$$

$$\mathbf{C}_x = \mathbf{B}_{Bez}^T \mathbf{G}_x \mathbf{B}_{Bez}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_y = \mathbf{B}_{Bez}^T \mathbf{G}_y \mathbf{B}_{Bez}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_z = \mathbf{B}_{Bez}^T \mathbf{G}_z \mathbf{B}_{Bez}$$

$$\mathbf{G}_x = \begin{bmatrix} p_{0x} & p_{1x} & p_{2x} & p_{3x} \\ p_{4x} & p_{5x} & p_{6x} & p_{7x} \\ p_{8x} & p_{9x} & p_{10x} & p_{11x} \\ p_{12x} & p_{13x} & p_{14x} & p_{15x} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{G}_y = \dots, \quad \mathbf{G}_z = \dots$$

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{C}_x \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{C}_y \mathbf{U} \\ \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{C}_z \mathbf{U} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Bézier Patch: Matrix Form

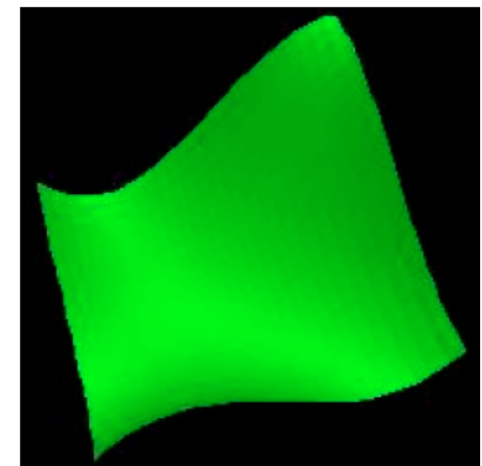
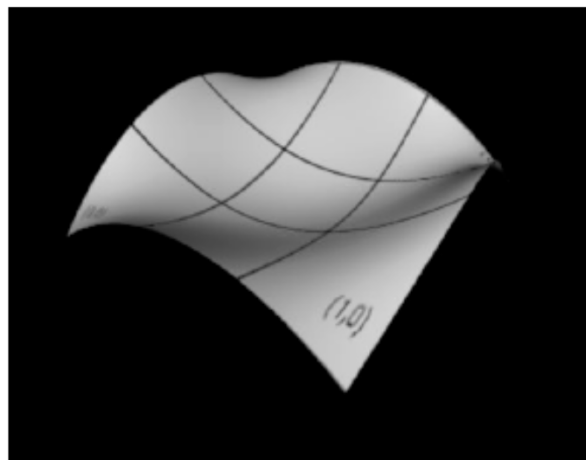
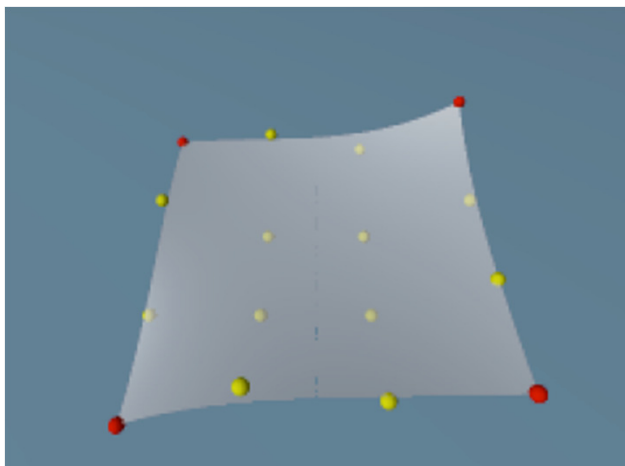
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- ▶  $\mathbf{C}_x$  stores the coefficients of the bicubic equation for  $x$
- ▶  $\mathbf{C}_y$  stores the coefficients of the bicubic equation for  $y$
- ▶  $\mathbf{C}_z$  stores the coefficients of the bicubic equation for  $z$
- ▶  $\mathbf{G}_x$  stores the geometry ( $x$  components of the control points)
- ▶  $\mathbf{G}_y$  stores the geometry ( $y$  components of the control points)
- ▶  $\mathbf{G}_z$  stores the geometry ( $z$  components of the control points)
- ▶  $\mathbf{B}_{\text{Bez}}$  is the basis matrix (Bézier basis)
- ▶  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  are the vectors formed from the powers of  $u$  and  $v$
  
- ▶ Compact notation
- ▶ Leads to efficient method of computation
- ▶ Can take advantage of hardware support for 4x4 matrix arithmetic

# Properties

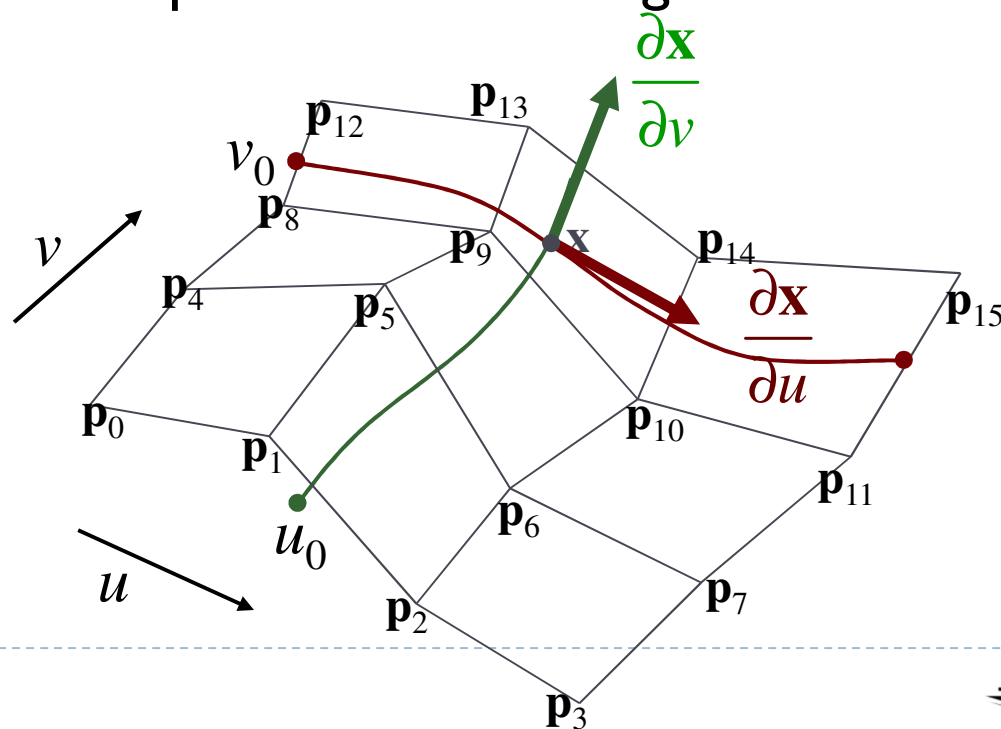
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- ▶ Convex hull: any point on the surface will fall within the convex hull of the control points
- ▶ Interpolates 4 corner points
- ▶ Approximates other 12 points, which act as “handles”
- ▶ The boundaries of the patch are the Bézier curves defined by the points on the mesh edges
- ▶ The parametric curves are all Bézier curves



# Tangents of a Bézier patch

- ▶ Remember parametric curves  $\mathbf{x}(u, v_0)$ ,  $\mathbf{x}(u_0, v)$  where  $v_0, u_0$  is fixed
- ▶ Tangents to surface = tangents to parametric curves
- ▶ Tangents are partial derivatives of  $\mathbf{x}(u, v)$
- ▶ Normal is cross product of the tangents





# Tangents of a Bézier patch

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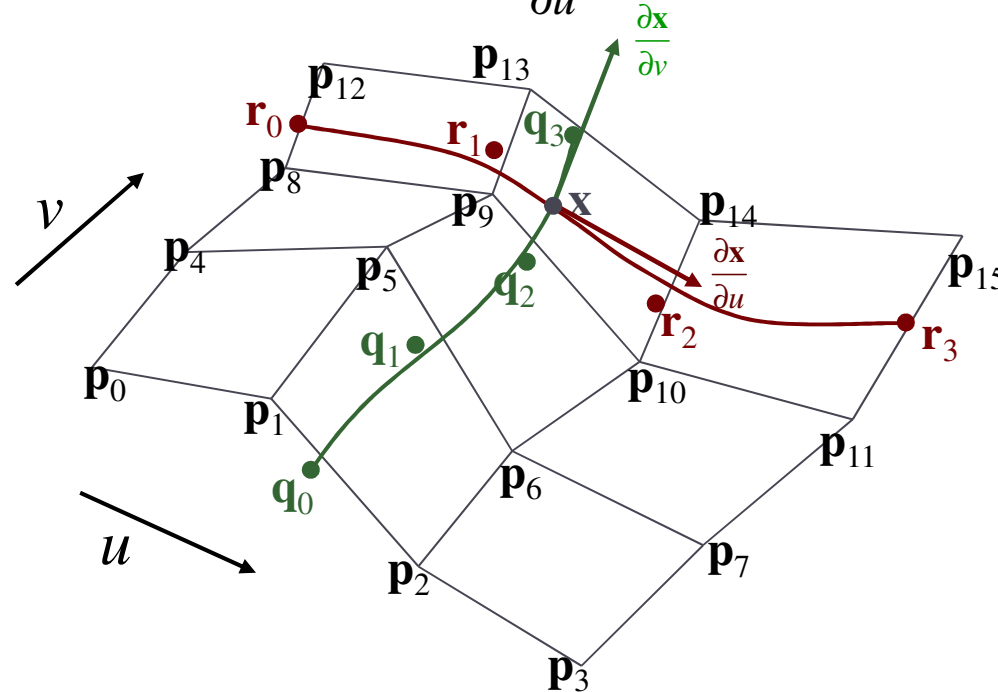
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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial v}(u, v) = \text{Bez}'(v, \mathbf{q}_0, \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \mathbf{q}_3)$$

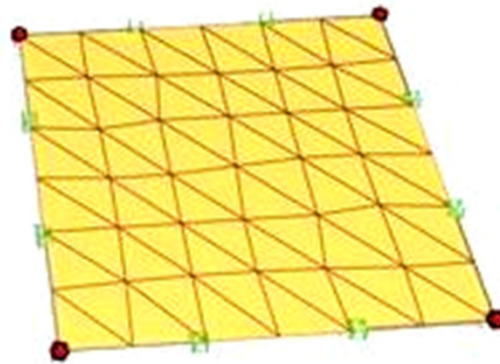
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial u}(u, v) = \text{Bez}'(u, \mathbf{r}_0, \mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \mathbf{r}_3)$$



# Tessellating a Bézier patch

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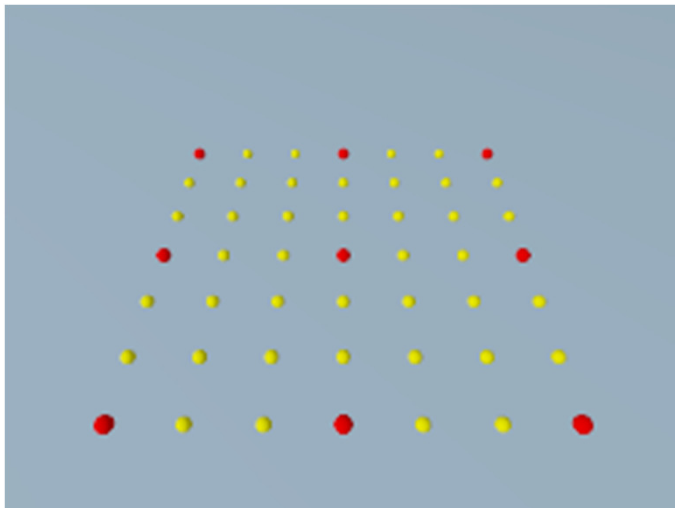
- ▶ **Uniform tessellation is most straightforward**
  - ▶ Evaluate points on a grid of  $u, v$  coordinates
  - ▶ Compute tangents at each point, take cross product to get per-vertex normal
  - ▶ Draw triangle strips with `glBegin(GL_TRIANGLE_STRIP)`



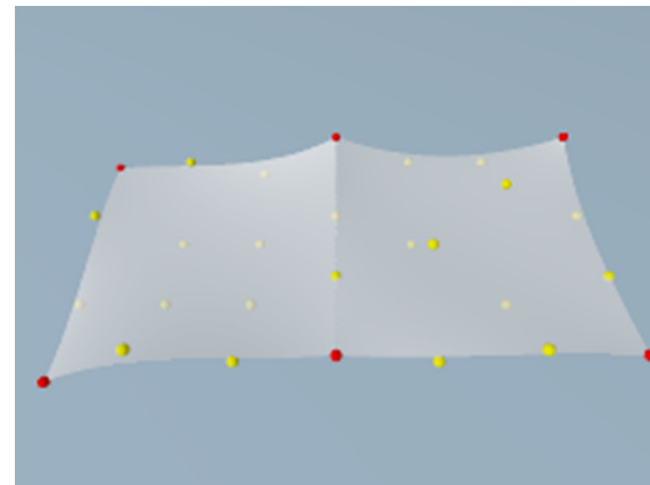
- ▶ **Adaptive tessellation/recursive subdivision**
  - ▶ Potential for “cracks” if patches on opposite sides of an edge divide differently
  - ▶ Tricky to get right, but can be done

# Piecewise Bézier Surface

- ▶ Lay out grid of adjacent meshes of control points
- ▶ For  $C^0$  continuity, must share points on the edge
  - ▶ Each edge of a Bézier patch is a Bézier curve based only on the edge mesh points
  - ▶ So if adjacent meshes share edge points, the patches will line up exactly
- ▶ But we have a crease...



Grid of control points

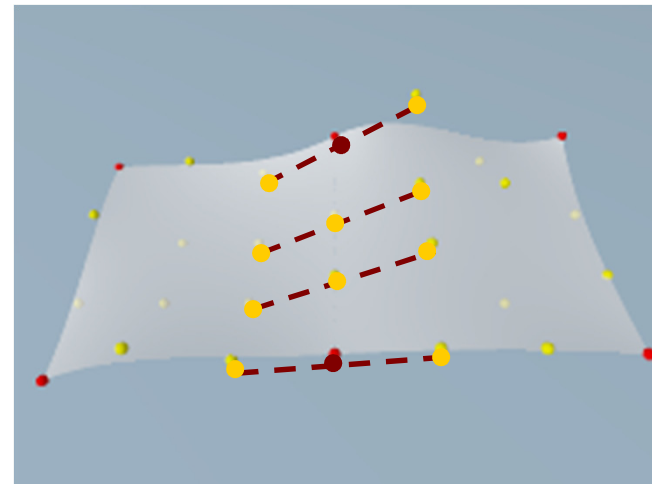
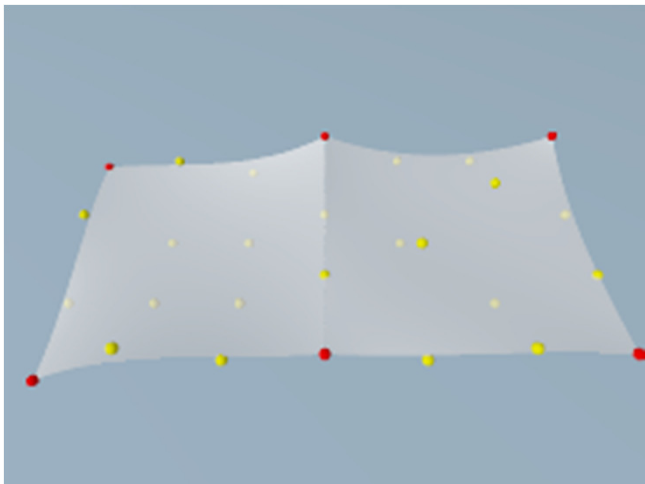


Piecewise Bézier surface

# $C^1$ Continuity

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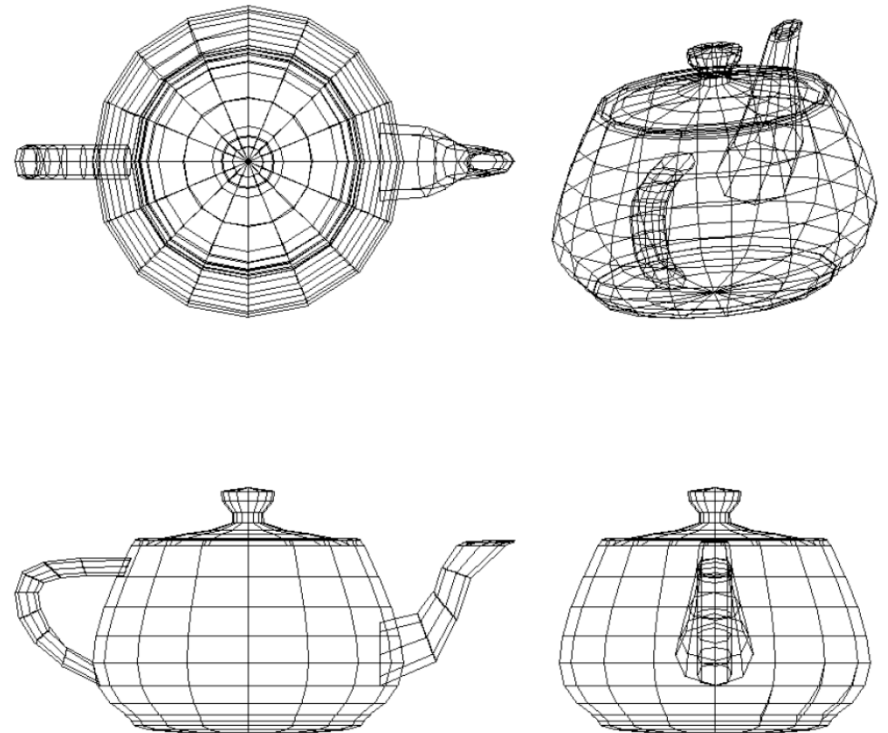
- ▶ We want the parametric curves that cross each edge to have  $C^1$  continuity
  - ▶ So the handles must be equal-and-opposite across the edge:



<http://www.spiritone.com/~english/cyclopedia/patches.html>

# Modeling With Bézier Patches

- ▶ Original Utah teapot, from Martin Newell's PhD thesis, consisted of 28 Bézier patches.
- ▶ The original had no rim for the lid and no bottom
- ▶ Later, four more patches were added to create a bottom, bringing the total to 32
- ▶ The data set was used by a number of people, including graphics guru Jim Blinn. In a demonstration of a system of his he scaled the teapot by .75, creating a stubbier teapot. He found it more pleasing to the eye, and it was this scaled version that became the highly popular dataset used today.



# Overview

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- ▶ Bi-linear patch
- ▶ Bi-cubic Bézier patch
- ▶ **Advanced parametric surfaces**

# Problems with Bezier and NURBS Patches

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- ▶ **NURBS surfaces are versatile**

- ▶ Conic sections
- ▶ Can blend, merge, trim...

- ▶ **But:**

- ▶ Any surface will be made of quadrilateral patches (quadrilateral topology)

- ▶ **This makes it hard to**

- ▶ Join or abut curved pieces
- ▶ Build surfaces with complex topology or structure

