Geometric Modeling

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Parametric Curves and Surfaces

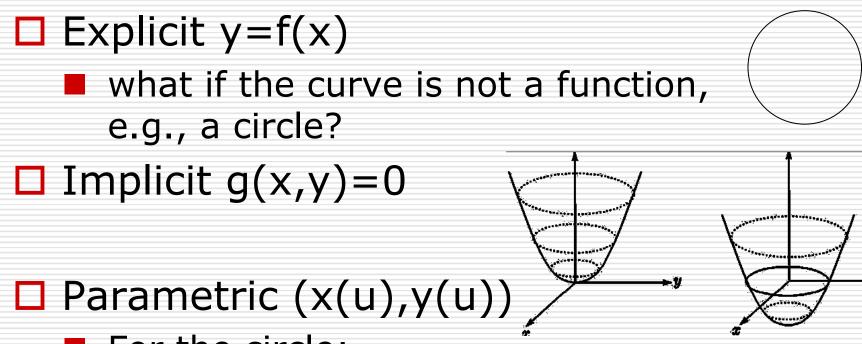
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The Utah Teapot



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Utah_teapot http://www.sjbaker.org/teapot/

Mathematical Curve Representation



For the circle:

Recall: Plane Equation

$\Box Ax + By + Cz + D = 0$

- and (*A*,*B*,*C*) means the normal vector
- so, given points P_1 , P_2 , and P_3 on the plane

$$(A, B, C) = P_1 P_2 \times P_1 P_3$$

- what happened if (A, B, C) = (0, 0, 0)?
- the distance from a vertex (x, y, z) to the plane is $d = \frac{Ax + By + Cz + D}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 + C^2}}$

Parametric Polynomial Curves

We will use parametric curves where the functions are all polynomials in the parameter.

$$x(u) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k u^k$$

$$y(u) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} b_k u^k$$

□ Advantages:

- easy (and efficient) to compute
- infinitely differentiable

Parametric Cubic Curves

 \Box Fix n=3

□ The cubic polynomials that define a curve segment $Q(t) = [x(t) \ y(t) \ z(t)]^T$ are of the form

$$x(t) = a_{x}t^{3} + b_{x}t^{2} + c_{x}t + d_{x},$$

$$y(t) = a_{y}t^{3} + b_{y}t^{2} + c_{y}t + d_{y},$$

$$z(t) = a_{z}t^{3} + b_{z}t^{2} + c_{z}t + d_{z}, \quad 0 \le t \le 1.$$

Parametric Cubic Curves

The curve segment can be rewrite as

 $Q(t) = [x(t) \quad y(t) \quad z(t)]^{\mathrm{T}} = C \bullet T$

 \Box where $T = [t^3 \quad t^2 \quad t \quad 1]^T$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} a_x & b_x & c_x & d_x \\ a_y & b_y & c_y & d_y \\ a_z & b_z & c_z & d_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Tangent Vector

$$\frac{d}{dt}Q(t) = Q'(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d}{dt}x(t) & \frac{d}{dt}y(t) & \frac{d}{dt}z(t) \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$=\frac{d}{dt}C\bullet T = C\bullet \begin{bmatrix} 3t^2 & 2t & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3a_{x}t^{2} + 2b_{x}t + c_{x} & 3a_{y}t^{2} + 2b_{y}t + c_{y} & 3a_{z}t^{2} + 2b_{z}t + c_{z} \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

Three Types of Parametric Cubic Curves

Hermite Curves

- defined by two endpoints and two endpoint tangent vectors
- Bézier Curves
 - defined by two endpoints and two control points which control the endpoint' tangent vectors
- Splines
 - defined by four control points

Parametric Cubic Curves

 $\Box \quad Q(t) = C \bullet T$

 \Box rewrite the coefficient matrix as $C = G \bullet M$

where *M* is a 4x4 basis matrix, *G* is called the geometry matrix

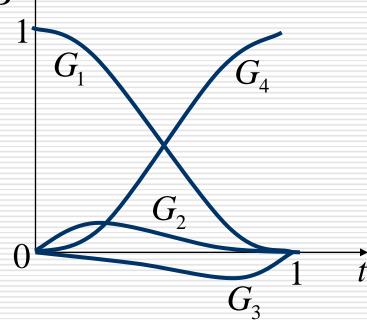
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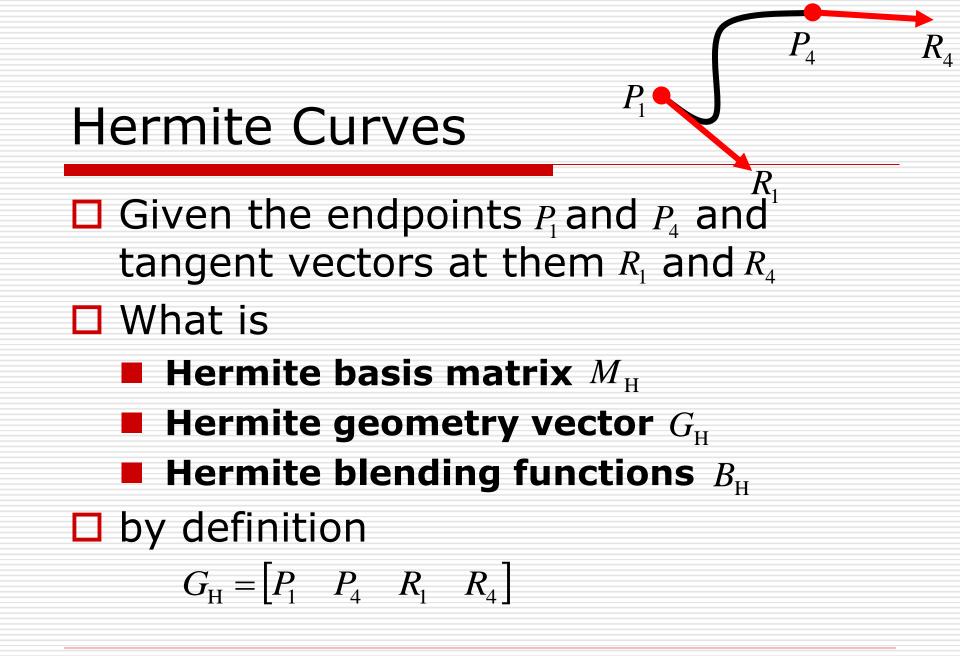
$$Q(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \\ z(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} G_1 & G_2 & G_3 & G_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{21} & m_{31} & m_{41} \\ m_{12} & m_{22} & m_{32} & m_{42} \\ m_{13} & m_{23} & m_{33} & m_{43} \\ m_{14} & m_{24} & m_{34} & m_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
4 endpoints or tangent vectors

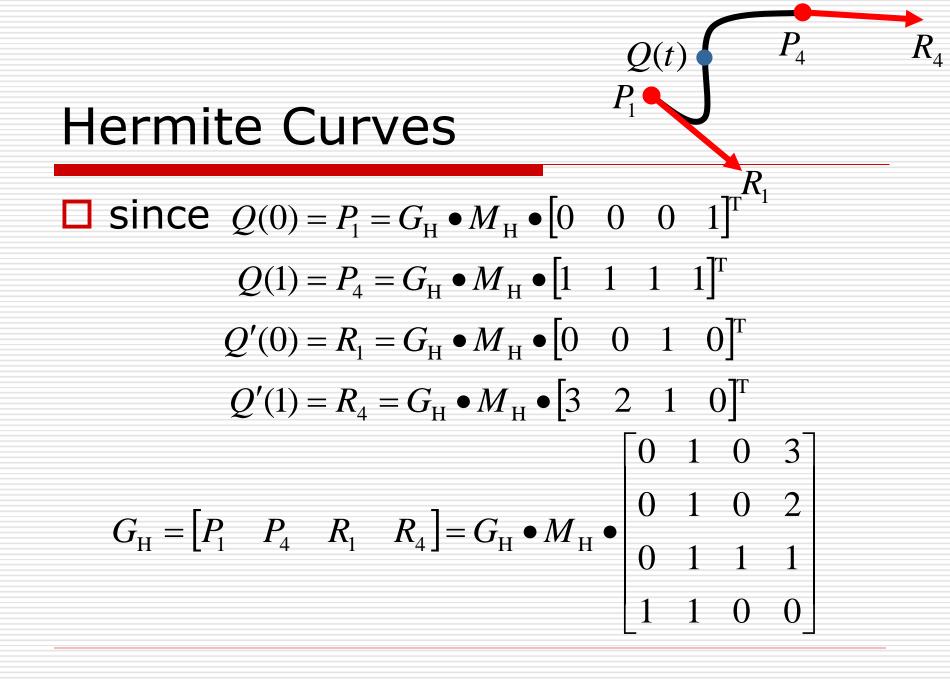
Parametric Cubic Curves

$\Box \quad Q(t) = G \bullet M \bullet T = G \bullet B$

where $B = M \bullet T$ is called the **blending** functions B_{\uparrow}







Hermite Curves

$$\square SO = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 \Box and $Q(t) = G_{\rm H} \bullet M_{\rm H} \bullet T = G_{\rm H} \bullet B_{\rm H}$

$$B_{\rm H} = \begin{bmatrix} 2t^3 - 3t^2 + 1 & -2t^3 + 3t^2 & t^3 - 2t^2 + t & t^3 - t^2 \end{bmatrix}^{\rm T}$$

Computing a point \Box Given two endpoints P_1 and P_4 and two tangent vectors at them R_1 and R_2 S0 0 0 -2 $Q(t) = [P_1]$ R_{1} P_{A} R_{A} 0

Bézier Curves

Given the endpoints P_1 and P_4 and two control points P_2 and P_3 which determine the endpoints' tangent vectors, such that $R_1 = Q'(0) = 3(P_2 - P_1)$

$$R_4 = Q'(1) = 3(P_4 - P_3)$$

R

What is

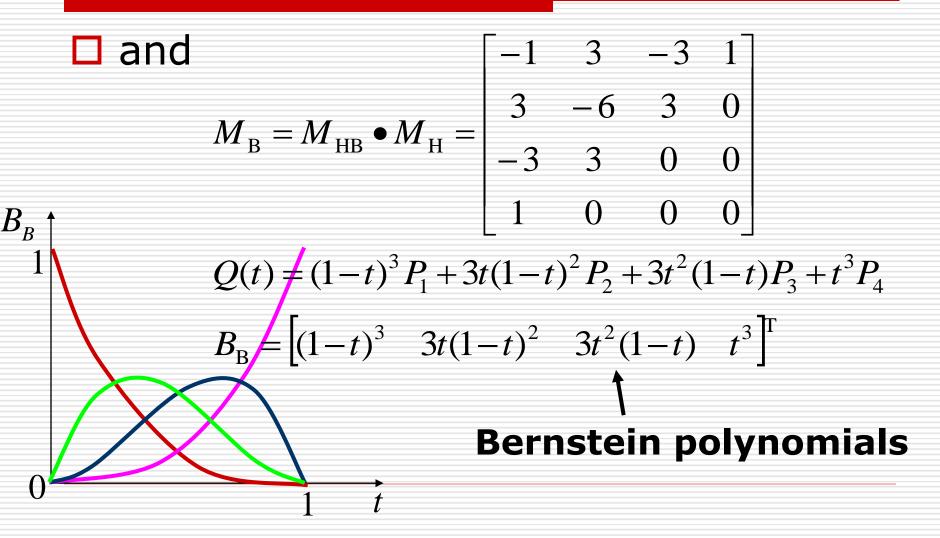
- **Bézier basis matrix** $M_{\rm B}$
- **Bézier geometry vector** *G*_B
- **Bézier blending functions** *B*_R

Bézier Curves
by definition
$$G_{\rm B} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 & P_3 & P_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

then $G_{\rm H} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_4 & R_1 & R_4 \end{bmatrix}$
 $= \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & P_2 & P_3 & P_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = G_{\rm B} \bullet M_{\rm HB}$
So $Q(t) = G_{\rm H} \bullet M_{\rm H} \bullet T = (G_{\rm B} \bullet M_{\rm HB}) \bullet M_{\rm H} \bullet T$

$$=G_{\rm B} \bullet (M_{\rm HB} \bullet M_{\rm H}) \bullet T = G_{\rm B} \bullet M_{\rm B} \bullet T$$

Bézier Curves



Bernstein Polynomials

The coefficients of the control points are a set of functions called the " **Bernstein polynomials**: $Q(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i(t) P_i$ □ For degree 3, we have: $b_0(t) = (1-t)^3$ B_{B} $b_1(t) = 3t(1-t)^2$ $b_2(t) = 3t^2(1-t)$ $b_3(t) = t^3$

Bernstein Polynomials

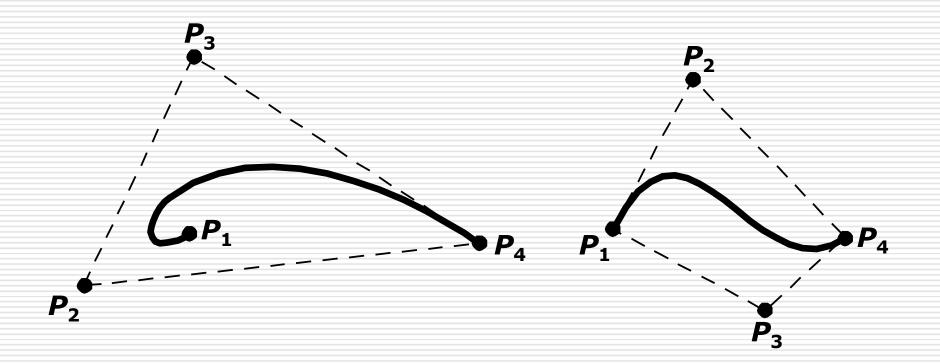
□ Useful properties on the interval [0,1]:

- each is between 0 and 1
- sum of all four is exact 1

a.k.a., a "partition of unity"

These together imply that the curve lines within the convex hull of its control points.

Convex Hull



Subdividing Bézier Curves

- $\square Q(t) = (1-t)^{3} P_{1} + 3t(1-t)^{2} P_{2} + 3t^{2}(1-t)P_{3} + t^{3} P_{4}$
- How to draw the curve ?
- □ How to convert it to be line-segments ?

Subdividing Bézier Curves (de Casteljau's algorithm)

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- How to convert it to be line-segments ?

$$Q(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{8}P_1 + \frac{3}{8}P_2 + \frac{3}{8}P_3 + \frac{1}{8}P_4$$

= $\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}(P_1 + P_2) + \frac{1}{2}(P_2 + P_3)) + \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}(P_3 + P_4) + \frac{1}{2}(P_2 + P_3)))$

Display Bézier Curves

DisplayBezier(P1,P2,P3,P4) begin if (FlatEnough(P1,P2,P3,P4)) Line(P1,P4); else P_{2} Subdivide(P[])=>L[],R[] DisplayBezier(L1,L2,L3,L4); P_{3} DisplayBezier(R1,R2,R3,R4); end;

 P_{λ}

Testing for Flatness

Compare total length of control polygon to length of line connecting endpoints

$$\frac{|P_1 - P_2| + |P_2 - P_3| + |P_3 - P_4|}{|P_1 - P_4|} < 1 + \varepsilon$$

$$P_1$$

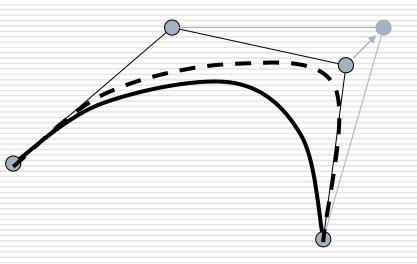
$$P_4$$

What do we want for a curve?

- Local control
- Interpolation
- Continuity

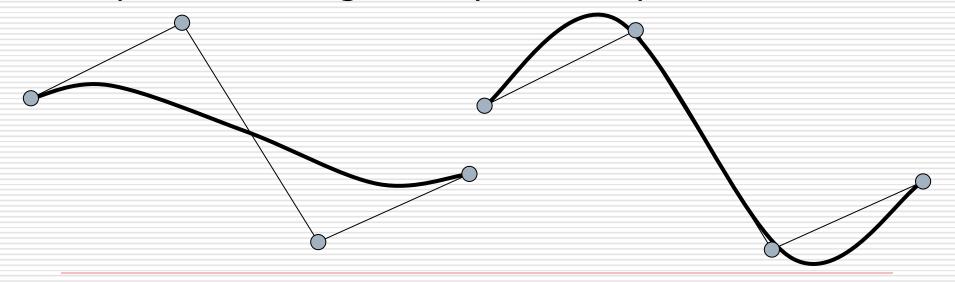
Local Control

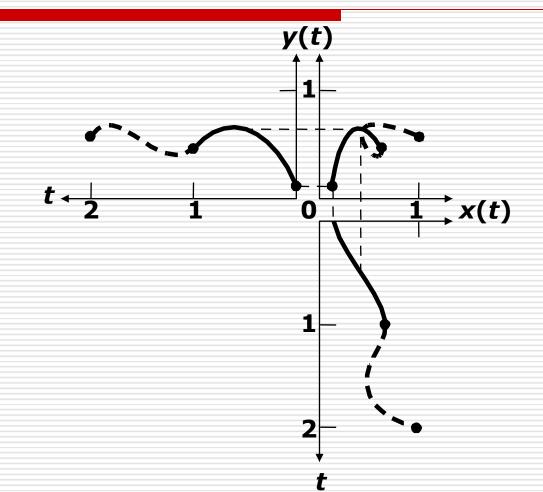
- One problem with Bézier curve is that every control points affect every point on the curve (except for endpoints). Moving a single control point affects the whole curve.
- We'd like to have local control, that is, have each control point affect some well-defined neighborhood around that point.



Interpolation

Bézier curves are approximating. The curve does not necessarily pass through all the control points. We'd like to have a curve that is interpolating, that is, that always passes through every control points.





$\Box G^0$ geometric continuity

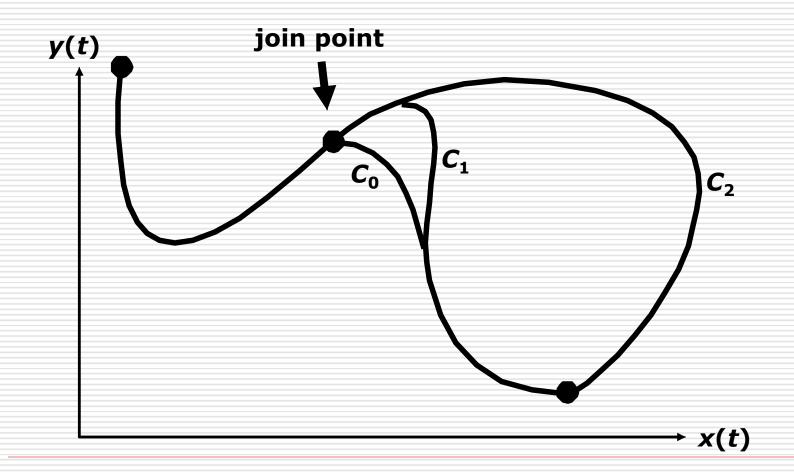
two curve segments join together

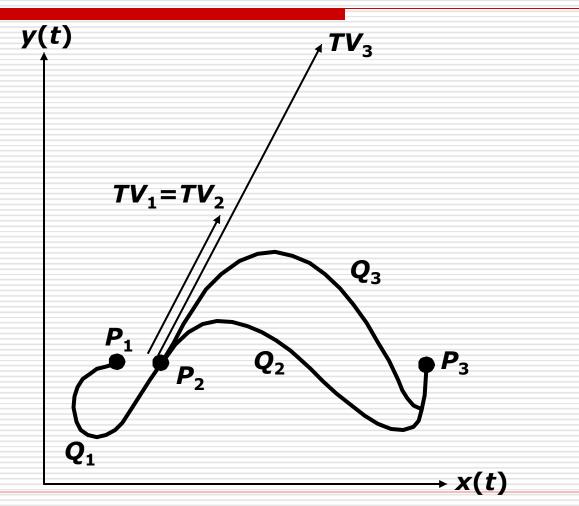
$\Box G^1$ geometric continuity

the directions (but not necessarily the magnitudes) of the two segments' tangent vectors are equal at a join point

\Box C^1 continuous

- the tangent vectors of the two cubic curve segments are equal (both directions and magnitudes) at the segments' join point
- Cⁿ continuous
 - the direction and magnitude of dⁿ/dtⁿ[Q(t)] through the nth derivative are equal at the join point





Bézier Curves → Splines

- Bézier curves have C-infinity continuity on their interiors, but we saw that they do not exhibit local control or interpolate their control points.
- It is possible to define points that we want to interpolate, and then solve for the Bézier control points that will do the job.
- But, you will need as many control points as interpolated points -> high order polynomials -> wiggly curves. (And you still won't have local control.)

Bézier Curves → Splines

We will splice together a curve from individual Bézier segments. We call these curves splines.

When splicing Bézier together, we need to worry about continuity.

Ensuring C⁰ continuity

□ Suppose we have a cubic Bézier defined by (V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4) , and we want to attach another curve (W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4) to it, so that there is C⁰ continuity at the joint.

$$C^0: Q_V(1) = Q_W(0)$$

□ What constraint(s) does this place on (W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4) ?

$$Q_V(1) = Q_W(0) \Longrightarrow V_4 = W_1$$

Ensuring C¹ continuity

□ Suppose we have a cubic Bézier defined by (V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4) , and we want to attach another curve (W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4) to it, so that there is C¹ continuity at the joint. $C^0: Q_V(1) = Q_W(0)$

 $C^1: Q'_V(1) = Q'_W(0)$

□ What constraint(s) does this place on (W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4) ?

$$Q_V(1) = Q_W(0) \Longrightarrow V_4 = W_1$$
$$Q'_V(1) = Q'_W(0) \Longrightarrow V_4 - V_3 = W_2 - W_1$$

The C¹ Bézier Spline

 P_{2}

□ How then could we construct a curve passing through a set of points $P_1...P_n$?

We can specify the Bézier control points directly, or we can devise a scheme for placing them automatically...

Catmull-Rom Spline

- If we set each derivative to be one half of the vector between the previous and next controls, we get a Catmull-Rom Spline.
- This leads t_2 :

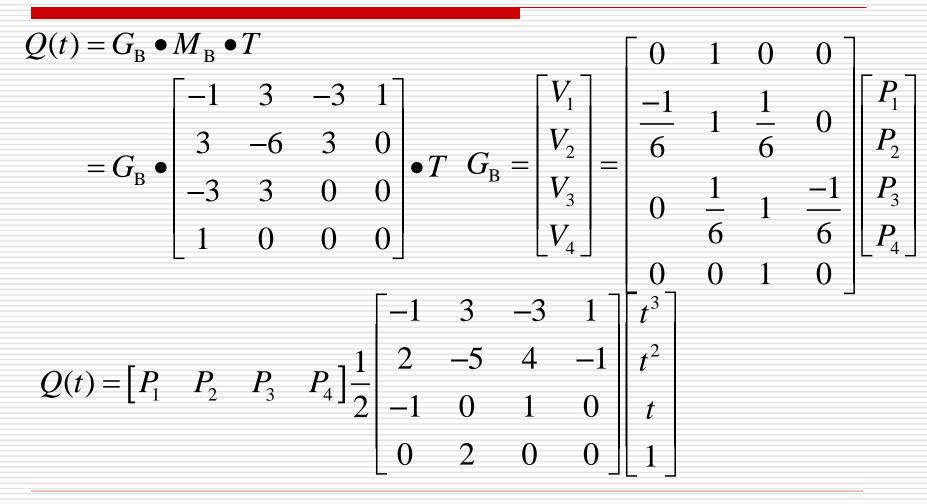
$$V_{1} - I_{2}$$

$$V_{2} = P_{2} + \frac{1}{6}(P_{3} - P_{1})$$

$$V_{3} = P_{3}^{0} - \frac{1}{6}(P_{4} - P_{2})$$

$$V_4 = P_3$$

Catmull-Rom Basis Matrix

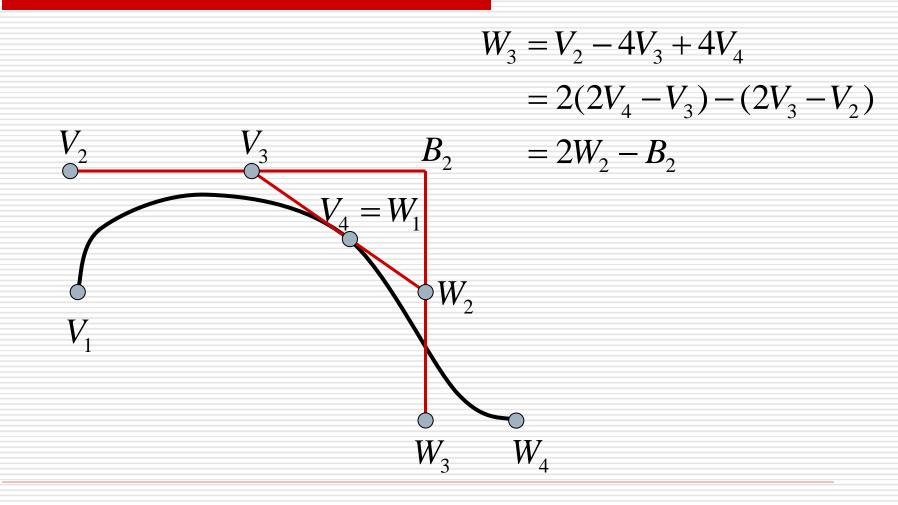


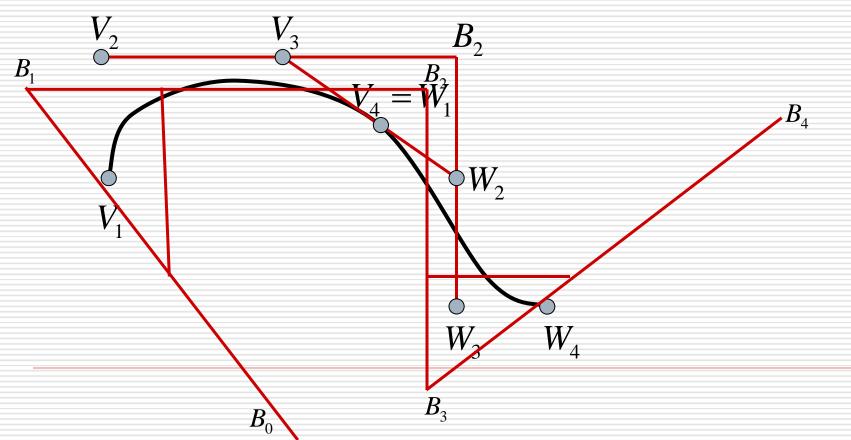
Ensuring C² continuity

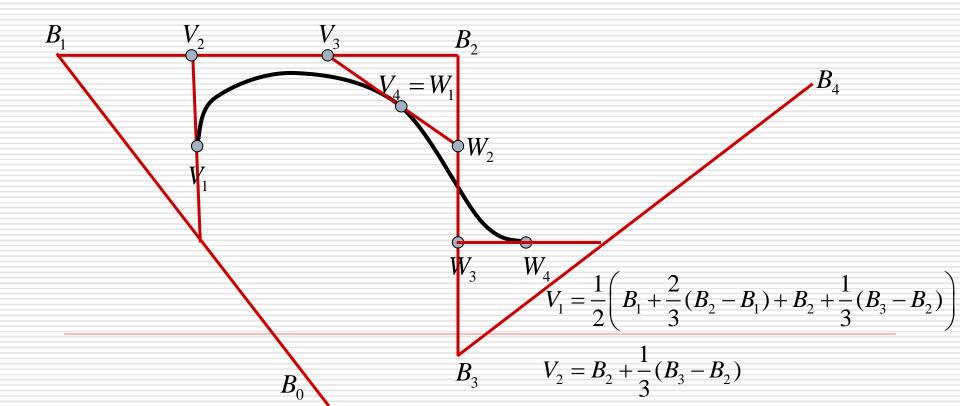
□ Suppose we have a cubic Bézier defined by (V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4) , and we want to attach another curve (W_1, W_2, W_3, W_4) to it, so that there is C² continuity at the joint.

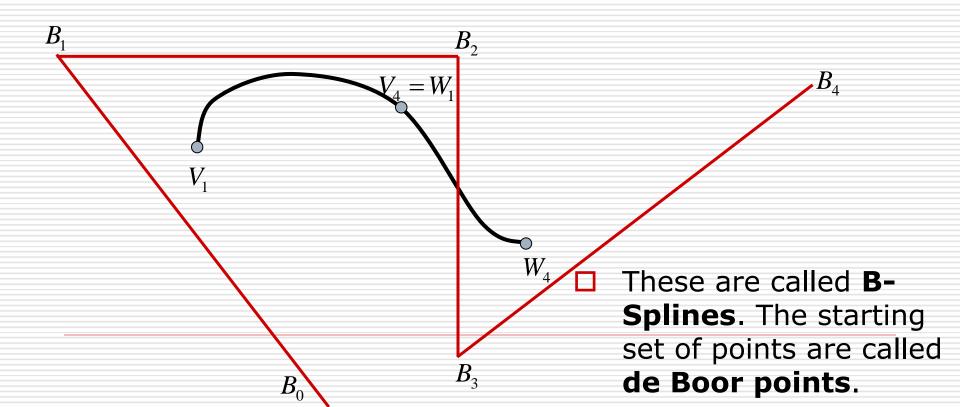
$$\begin{aligned} Q_V(1) &= Q_W(0) \Longrightarrow V_4 = W_1 \\ Q_V'(1) &= Q_W'(0) \Longrightarrow V_4 - V_3 = W_2 - W_1 \\ Q_V''(1) &= Q_W''(0) \Longrightarrow V_2 - 2V_3 + V_4 = W_1 - 2W_2 + W_3 \\ &\downarrow \end{aligned}$$

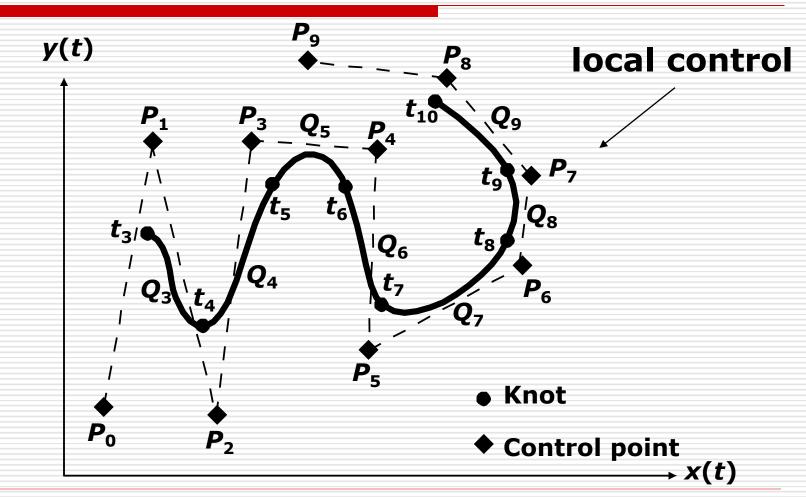
$$W_3 = V_2 - 4V_3 + 4V_4$$











Uniform NonRational B-Splines

cubic B-Spline

- has m+1 control points $P_0, P_1, ..., P_m, m \ge 3$
- has m-2 cubic polynomial curve segments Q_3, Q_4, \dots, Q_m

uniform

the knots are spaced at equal intervals of the parameter t

non-rational

not rational cubic polynomial curves

Uniform NonRational B-Splines

- □ curve segment Q_i is defined by points $P_{i-3}, P_{i-2}, P_{i-1}, P_i$, thus
- □ **B-Spline geometry matrix** $G_{Bs_i} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{i-3} & P_{i-2} & P_{i-1} & P_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad 3 \le i \le m$

$$\Box \text{ if } T_i = \begin{bmatrix} (t - t_i)^3 & (t - t_i)^2 & (t - t_i) \end{bmatrix}^{\mathrm{T}}$$

 $\Box \text{ then } Q_i(t) = G_{Bs_i} \bullet M_{Bs} \bullet T_i, \quad t_i \leq t \leq t_{i+1}$

Uniform NonRational B-Splines

□ so B-Spline basis matrix

$$M_{\rm Bs} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 0 & 4 \\ -3 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

B-Spline blending functions

$$B_{\rm Bs} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} (1-t)^3 & 3t^3 - 6t^2 + 4 & -3t^3 + 3t^2 + 3t + 1 & t^3 \end{bmatrix}^{\rm T}, \quad 0 \le t \le 1$$

NonUniform NonRational B-Splines

the knot-value sequence is a nondecreasing sequence

- allow multiple knot and the number of identical parameter is the multiplicity
 - Ex. (0,0,0,0,1,1,2,3,4,4,5,5,5,5)

SO

 $Q_{i}(t) = P_{i-3} \bullet B_{i-3,4}(t) + P_{i-2} \bullet B_{i-2,4}(t) + P_{i-1} \bullet B_{i-1,4}(t) + P_{i} \bullet B_{i,4}(t)$

NonUniform NonRational B-Splines

□ where $B_{i,j}(t)$ is *j*th-order blending function for weighting control point P_i

$$B_{i,1}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t_i \le t \le t_{i+1} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$B_{i,2}(t) = \frac{t - t_i}{t_{i+1} - t_i} B_{i,1}(t) + \frac{t_{i+2} - t}{t_{i+2} - t_{i+1}} B_{i+1,1}(t)$$

$$B_{i,3}(t) = \frac{t - t_i}{t_{i+2} - t_i} B_{i,2}(t) + \frac{t_{i+3} - t}{t_{i+3} - t_{i+1}} B_{i+1,2}(t)$$

$$B_{i,4}(t) = \frac{t - t_i}{t_{i+3} - t_i} B_{i,3}(t) + \frac{t_{i+4} - t}{t_{i+4} - t_{i+1}} B_{i+1,3}(t)$$

Knot Multiplicity & Continuity

- □ since $Q(t_i)$ is within the convex hull of P_{i-3} , P_{i-2} , and P_{i-1}
- □ if $t_i = t_{i+1}$, $Q(t_i)$ is within the convex hull of P_{i-3} , P_{i-2} , and P_{i-1} and the convex hull of P_{i-2} , P_{i-1} , and P_i , so it will lie on $\overline{P_{i-2}P_{i-1}}$
- $\Box \text{ if } t_i = t_{i+1} = t_{i+2}, Q(t_i) \text{ will lie on } P_{i-1}$

□ if $t_i = t_{i+1} = t_{i+2} = t_{i+3}$, $Q(t_i)$ will lie on both P_{i-1} and P_i , and the curve becomes broken

Knot Multiplicity & Continuity

multiplicity 1 : C² continuity
 multiplicity 2 : C¹ continuity
 multiplicity 3 : C⁰ continuity
 multiplicity 4 : no continuity

NURBS: NonUniform Rational B-Splines

rational

x(t), y(t), and z(t) are defined as the ratio of two cubic polynomials

□ rational cubic polynomial curve segments are ratios of polynomials $x(t) = \frac{X(t)}{W(t)}$ $y(t) = \frac{Y(t)}{W(t)}$ $z(t) = \frac{Z(t)}{W(t)}$

can be Bézier, Hermite, or B-Splines

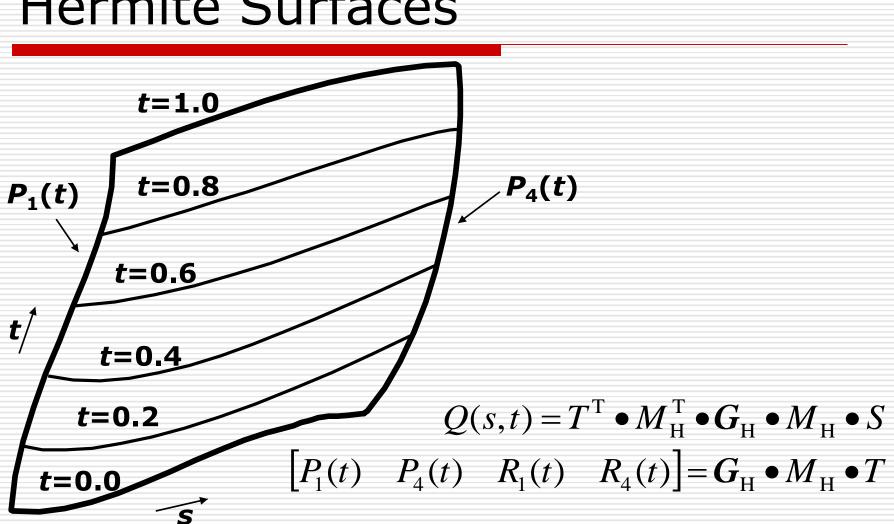
Parametric Bi-Cubic Surfaces

- □ parametric cubic curves are $Q(t) = G \bullet M \bullet T$ □ so, parametric bi-cubic surfaces are $Q(s) = G \bullet M \bullet S$
- □ if we allow the points in *G* to vary in 3D along some path, then $Q(s,t) = \begin{bmatrix} G_1(t) & G_2(t) & G_3(t) & G_4(t) \end{bmatrix} \bullet M \bullet S$ □ since $G_i(t)$ are cubics $G_i(t) = G_i \bullet M \bullet T$, where $G_i = \begin{bmatrix} g_{i1} & g_{i2} & g_{i3} & g_{i4} \end{bmatrix}$

Parametric Bi-Cubic Surfaces

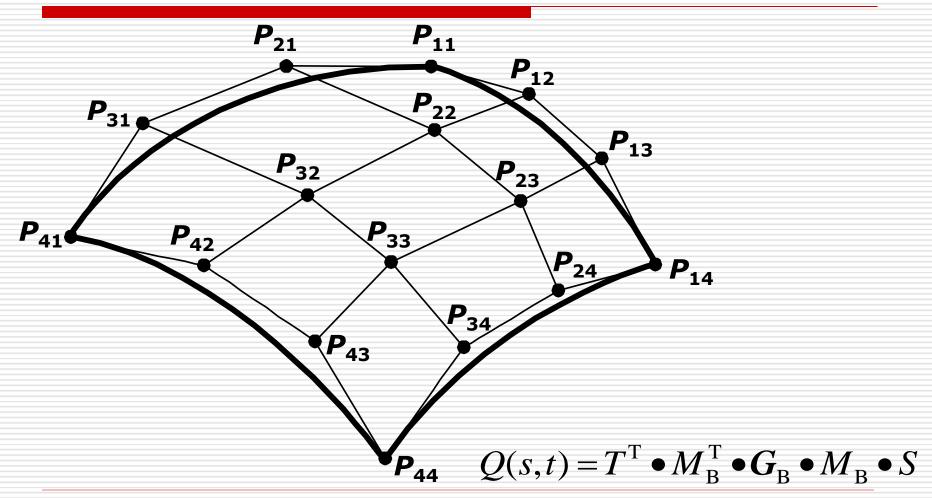
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 $Q(s,t) = T^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet M^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{21} & g_{31} & g_{41} \\ g_{12} & g_{22} & g_{32} & g_{42} \\ g_{13} & g_{23} & g_{33} & g_{43} \\ g_{14} & g_{24} & g_{34} & g_{44} \end{bmatrix} \bullet M \bullet S$ $= T^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet M^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet G \bullet M \bullet S, \quad 0 \le s, t \le 1$



Hermite Surfaces





Normals to Surfaces

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s}Q(s,t) = T^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet M^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet G \bullet M \bullet \frac{\partial}{\partial s}S$$
$$= T^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet M^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet G \bullet M \bullet [3s^{2} \quad 2s \quad 1 \quad 0]^{\mathrm{T}}$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q(s,t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(T^{\mathrm{T}}) \bullet M^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet G \bullet M \bullet S$$
$$= [3t^{2} \quad 2t \quad 1 \quad 0]^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet M^{\mathrm{T}} \bullet G \bullet M \bullet S$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s}Q(s,t) \times \frac{\partial}{\partial t}Q(s,t) \quad \longleftarrow \quad$$

normal vector