

# Displays

## List of display attributes:

- resolution : SD, HD (2k), Ultra HD (4k), Ultra HD (8k)
- physical size: width  $\times$  height  $\times$  depth : larger, thinner
- frame rate: 30  $\rightarrow$  120 Hz
- brightness & contrast: high dynamic range (HDR)
- stereo / 3D imager
- colour gamut: 53 primaries
- colour "depth": 8  $\rightarrow$  12 bit colour

## Frame rates

film : 24 Hz, but each frame is shown twice to prevent visible flicker

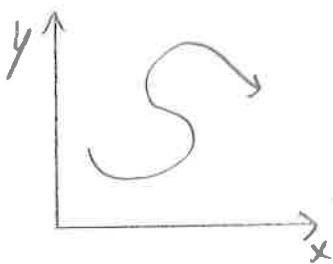
broadcast television : 30 Hz in North America (NTSC, really 29.97 Hz)

typical video game : 60+ Hz

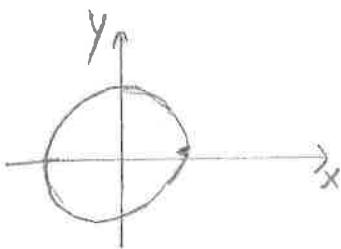
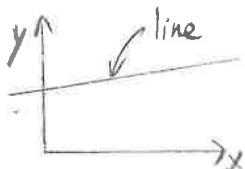
Youtube : same as what you upload.

future: adaptive fram rates?

# Animating a Point



Curves



in 3D

① Explicit:  $y = f(x)$

$$y = mx + b$$

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c$$

etc.

$$y = \pm \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$$

$$y = f(x, z)$$

height field surface

② Implicit:  $f(x, y) = 0$

$$0 = y - mx - b$$

$$0 = y - ax^2 - bx - c$$

etc.

$$0 = r^2 - x^2 - y^2$$

$$f(x, y, z) = 0$$

surface

③ Parametric:

$$x = f_x(t)$$

$$y = f_y(t)$$

$$x = a_1 t + a_0$$

$$y = b_1 t + b_0$$

$$x = r \cos t$$

$$y = r \sin t$$

$$x = a_2 t^2 + a_1 t + a_0$$

$$y = b_2 t^2 + b_1 t + b_0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = f_x(t) \\ y = f_y(t) \\ z = f_z(t) \end{array} \right\} \text{Curve}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x = f_x(s, t) \\ y = f_y(s, t) \\ z = f_z(s, t) \end{array} \right\} \text{Surface}$$

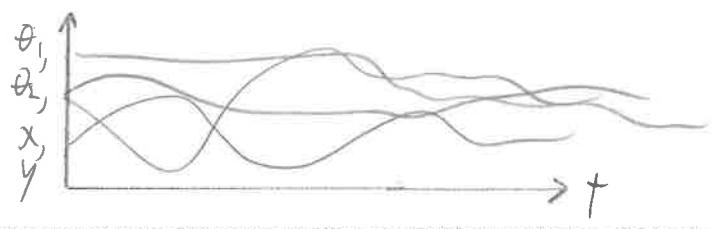
Geometric modeling: most often use parametric equations to describe motion over time

Animation: parametric:  $t$  represents time

"AVARS" or "DOFs"  
degrees of freedom  
animation variables

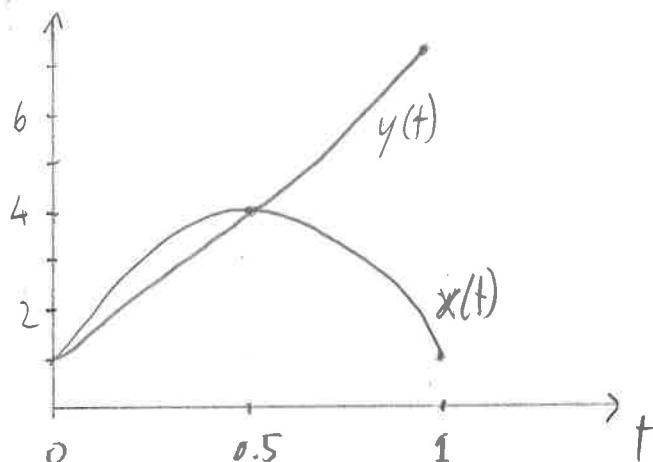
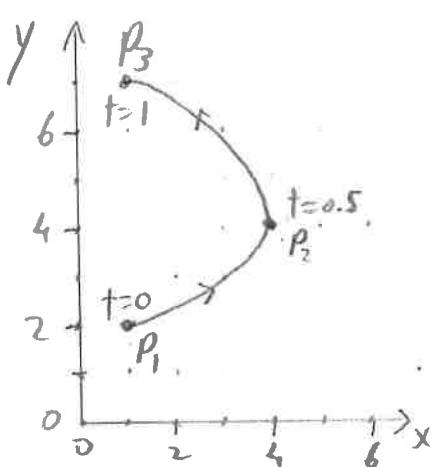
$$\theta_1 = f_1(t)$$

$$\theta_2 = f_2(t)$$

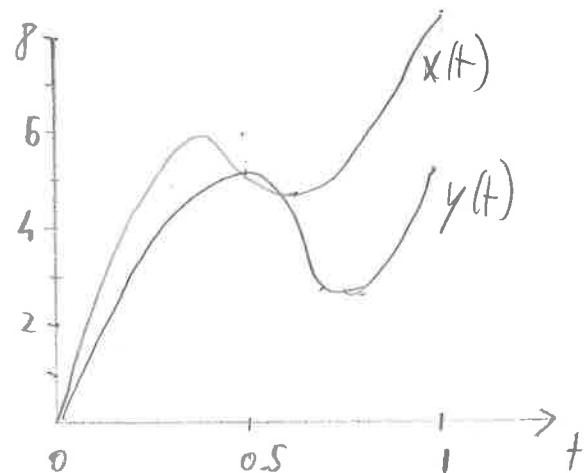
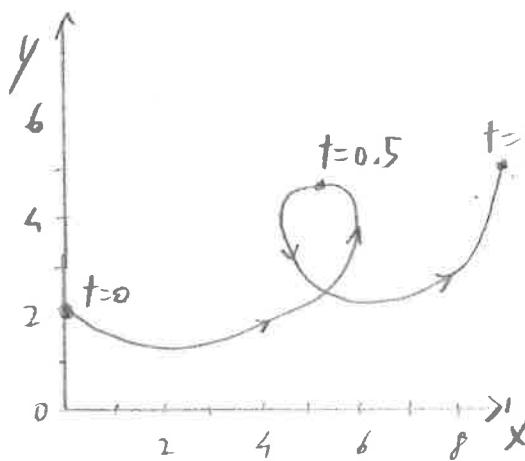


# Parametric Curve Examples

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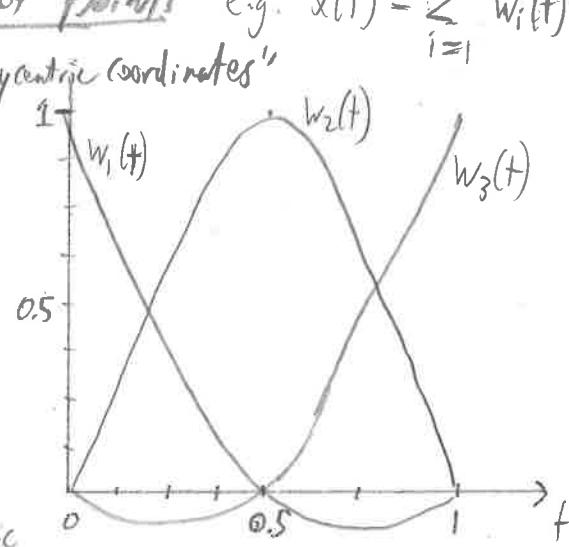
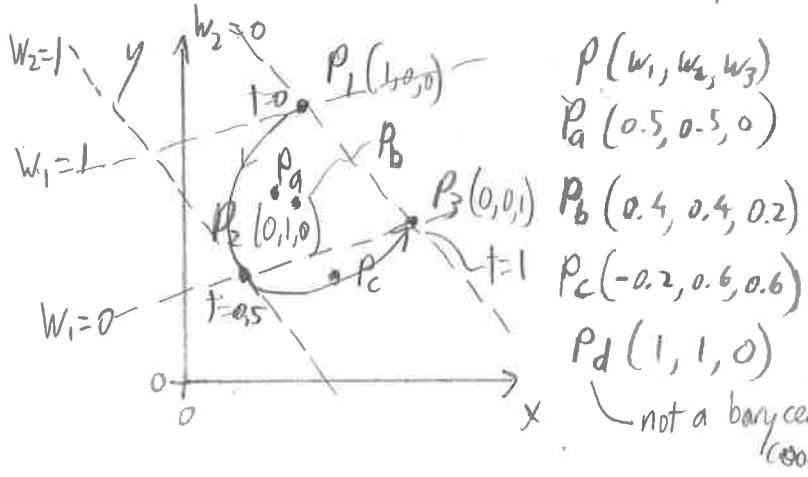
②



Two possible ways of thinking about curves:

① Defined by polynomial coefficients e.g.  $x(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} a_i t^i$

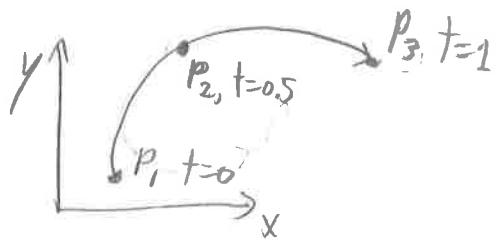
② Defined by weighted combinations of points e.g.  $x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i(t) x_i$   
 $P(t) = w_1 P_1 + w_2 P_2 + w_3 P_3 \quad \sum w_i = 1$  "barycentric coordinates"



## Three Point Interpolating Curve

Consider example ①

Given three points on the curve  $P(t)$ :



Functions to model  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= a_2 t^2 + a_1 t + a_0 \\ &= [t^2 + 1] \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= T \cdot A \end{aligned}$$

Constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x(0) = a_2(0)^2 + a_1(0) + a_0 \\ x_2 &= x(0.5) = a_2(0.5)^2 + a_1(0.5) + a_0 \\ x_3 &= x(1) = a_2(1)^2 + a_1(1) + a_0 \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite in matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0.5^2 & 0.5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G_x = B \cdot A$$

Solve for  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A &= B^{-1} G_x \\ \text{define } M &= B^{-1}. \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0.5^2 & 0.5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$A = M G_x$$

Final form:  $x(t) = T \cdot A$

$$= T \cdot M \cdot G_x$$

$$= [t^2 + 1] \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis Functions

$$T \cdot M = [2t^2 - 3t + 1 \quad -4t^2 + 4t \quad 2t^2 - t]$$

$$b_1(t)$$

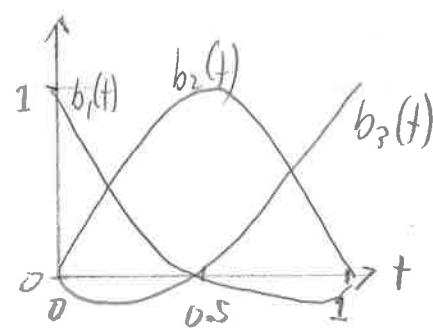
$$b_2(t)$$

$$b_3(t)$$

Sketch:

check:

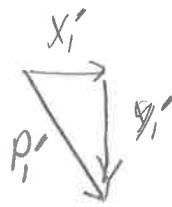
$$\sum_i b_i(t) = 1$$



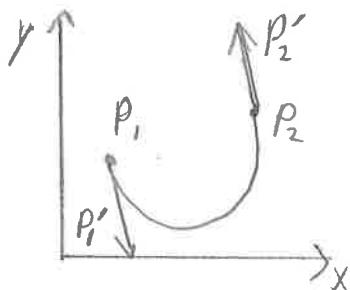
"basis functions"

## Hermite Curves

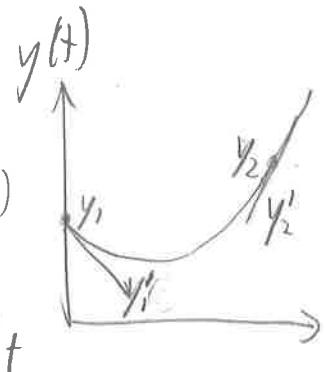
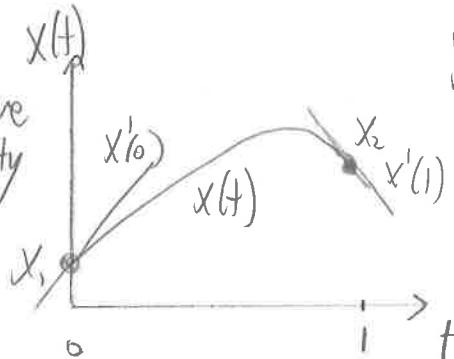
Defined by:



Sketch:



$P'(t)$ : derivative or velocity



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Function to model } x(t): \quad x(t) &= a_3 t^3 + a_2 t^2 + a_1 t + a_0 \quad x'(t) = [3t^2 \ 2t \ 1 \ 0] \cdot A \\ &= [t^3 \ t^2 \ t \ 1] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= T \cdot A \end{aligned}$$

Constraints:

$$x_1 = x(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1] \cdot A$$

$$x_2 = x(1) = [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1] \cdot A$$

$$x'_1 = x'(0) = [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0] \cdot A$$

$$x'_2 = x'(1) = [3 \ 2 \ 1 \ 0] \cdot A$$

Matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ y_1 \\ x'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad G_x = B \cdot A$$

Solve for A:

$$A = B^{-1} G_x$$

$$\text{Final form: } x(t) = T M G_x \quad x(t) = [t^3 \ t^2 \ t \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ y_1 \\ x'_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad G_x$$

Basis Functions

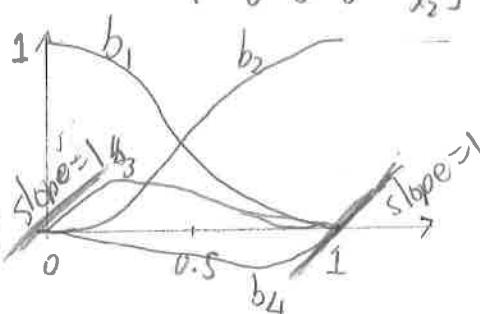
$$b_1(t) = 2t^3 - 3t^2 + 1$$

$$b_2(t) = -2t^3 + 3t^2$$

$$b_3(t) = t^3 - 2t^2 + t$$

$$b_4(t) = t^3 - t^2$$

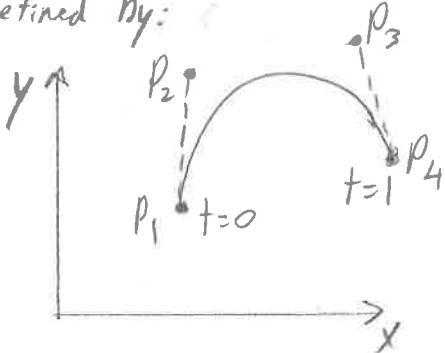
Sketch:



Check:  $b_1(t) + b_2(t) = 1$   
(Weights for the points)

## Bézier Curves

Defined by:



$$G_X = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \\ X_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- satisfies the convex hull property  
i.e.,  $P(t)$  for  $t \in [0, 1]$  stays within  
the convex hull of  $\{P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4\}$

Relationship to Hermite Curves:

$$\text{define } X'(0) = 3(X_2 - X_1)$$

$$X'(1) = 3(X_4 - X_3)$$

$$G_H = M_{\text{Bez} \rightarrow H} G_{\text{Bez}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X'_1 \\ X'_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \\ X_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X(t) = T M_H G_H$$

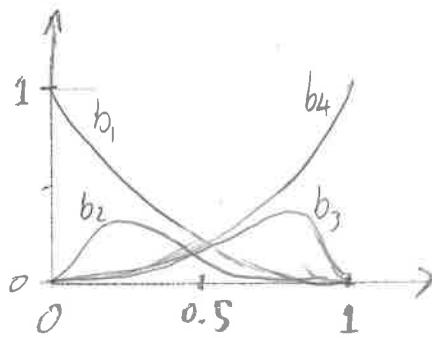
$$= T M_H M_{\text{Bez} \rightarrow H} G_{\text{Bez}}$$

$$= T M_{\text{Bez}} G_{\text{Bez}}$$

$M_{\text{Bez}}$ : Bézier basis matrix

$$M_{\text{Bez}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis Functions



$$T \cdot M_{\text{Bez}} = [b_1(t) \ b_2(t) \ b_3(t) \ b_4(t)]$$

$$b_1(t) = -t^3 + 3t^2 - 3t + 1$$

$$b_2(t) = 3t^3 - 6t^2 + 3t$$

$$b_3(t) = -3t^3 + 3t^2$$

$$b_4(t) = t^3$$

$$\text{ie: } \sum_i b_i(t) = 1$$

Based on Bernstein Polynomials

Basis functions are the terms obtained by expanding:

$$[(1-t) + t]^n$$

$$[(1-t) + t]' = \underline{(1-t)} + \underline{t} : \text{first order Bézier basis functions}$$

$$[(1-t) + t]^2 = \underline{(1-t)^2} + 2\underline{t(1-t)} + \underline{t^2} : \text{second order}$$

$$[(1-t) + t]^3 = \underline{(1-t)^3} + 3\underline{t^2(1-t)} + 3\underline{t(1-t)^2} + \underline{t^3} : \text{third order, i.e.,}$$

$$(a+b)^0 = 1$$

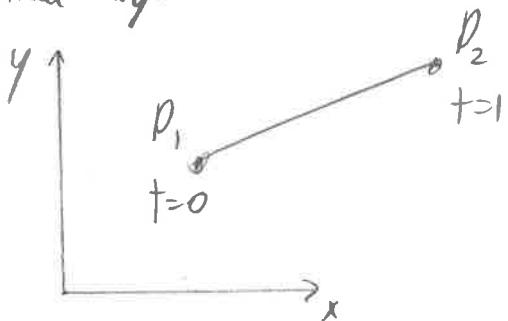
$$(a+b)^1 = a+b$$

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a+b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$$

## Two Point Interpolating Curve

Defined by:



Function to model  $x(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= a_1 t + a_0 \\ &= [t \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} = T \cdot A \end{aligned}$$

Constraints:

$$x_1 = x(0) = [0 \ 1] \cdot A$$

$$x_2 = x(1) = [1 \ 1] \cdot A$$

Matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [T]^{-1}$$

Solve for  $A$ :

$$\begin{aligned} Gx &= BA \\ A &= B^{-1}Gx \end{aligned}$$

Final form:

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= T \cdot A \\ &= T \cdot B^{-1}Gx \\ &= T \cdot M \cdot Gx \end{aligned}$$

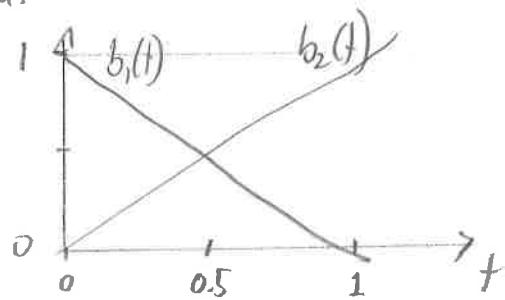
Basis functions:

$$T \cdot M = [b_1(t) \ b_2(t)]$$

$$b_1(t) = 1-t$$

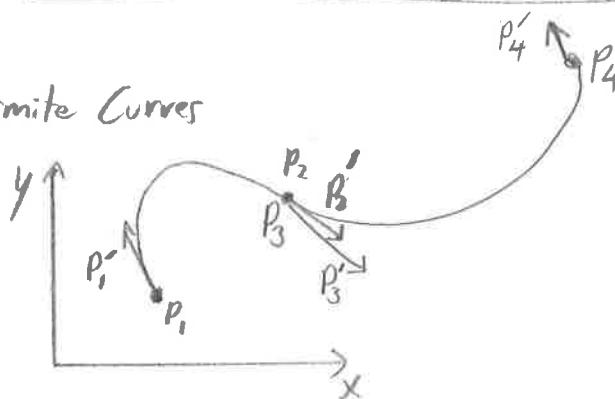
$$b_2(t) = t$$

Sketch:



## Piecewise Hermite and Bézier Curves

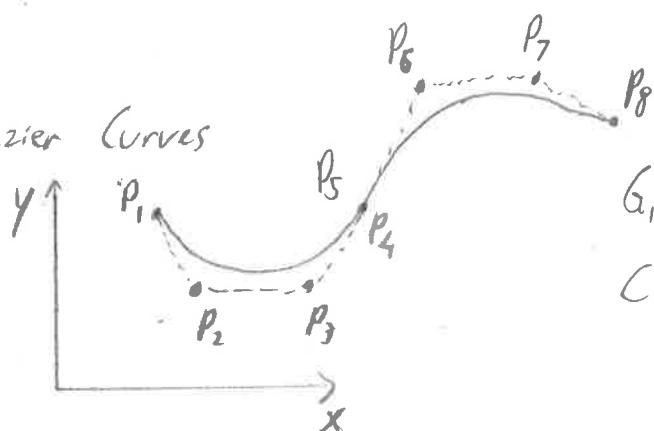
### Hermite Curves



$$G_1: P_3 = P_2, P_3' = kP_2'$$

$$C_1: P_3 = P_2, P_3' = P_2'$$

### Bézier Curves



$$G_1: P_6 - P_5 = k(P_4 - P_3)$$

$$C_1: P_6 - P_5 = P_4 - P_3$$

### Geometric Continuity

$G_0$  Curves are joined

$G_1$  first derivatives are proportional; no 'kink' or edge at join point

$G_2$  first and second derivatives are proportional; continuous curvature

### Parametric Continuity

$C_0$  curves are joined

$C_1$  first derivatives equal

$C_2$  first and second derivatives equal

$C_n$  implies  $G_n$ , but not vice-versa

possible traffic circle:



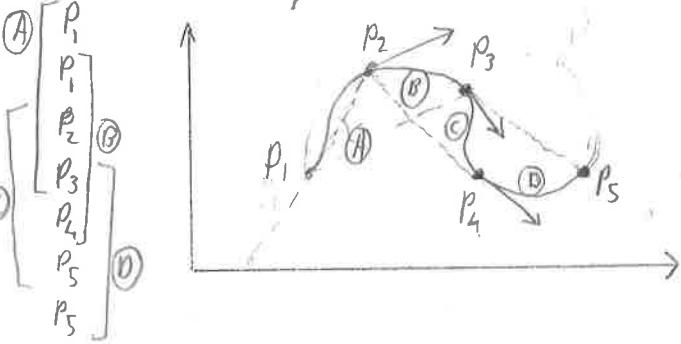
join point is not  $G_2$

because of the discontinuity in the curvature, i.e., the steering angle.

## Catmull-Rom Curves

(powerpoint curve demo)

Defined by:



-  $C_1$  continuity

- interpolates points

- end segments: (a) repeat end point, e.g.:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) produce a 'reflected' virtual control point:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_4 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(c) set  $P'_0 = 0$

Construction:

$$P'_k = \frac{1}{2}(P_{k+1} - P_{k-1})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ x_2' \\ x_3' \\ x_4' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & x_2 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

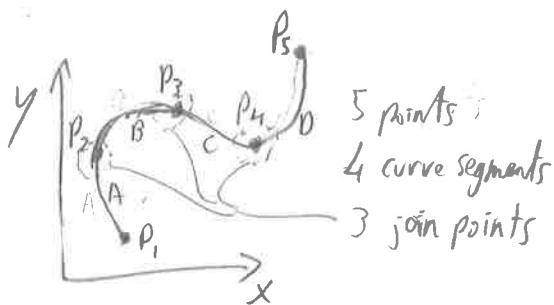
$$G_H = M_{CR \rightarrow H} G_{CR}$$

$$M_{CR} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & -5 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x(t) = T \cdot M_H \cdot M_{CR \rightarrow H} G_{CR}$$

## Interpolating Spline

Piecewise Cubic.



In general:

$n$  control points

$n-1$  curve segments

$4(n-1)$  parameters:  $n-1$  curves  $\times$  4 polynomial coeffs per curve

$2(n-1)$  position constraints, e.g.,  $x_A(0) = x_1$ ,  $x_A(1) = x_2$ , etc.

$n-2$  first deriv. constraints, e.g.,  $x'_A(0) = x'_B(0)$ , etc.

$n-2$  second deriv. constraints, e.g.,  $x''_A(0) = x''_B(0)$ , etc.

4n-6 constraints

4n-4 parameters

Underconstrained

Choose 2 additional constraints, e.g.,  $x'_A(0) = 0$ ,  $x'_B(1) = 0$ . Then solve simultaneous linear system of equations.

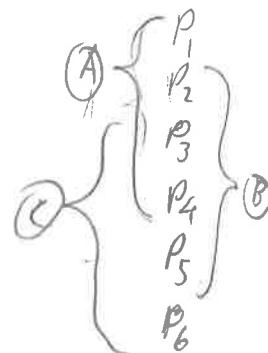
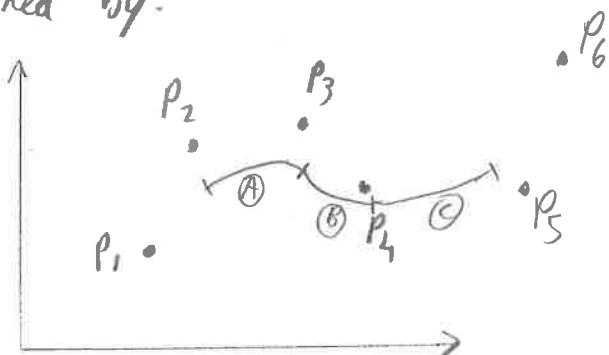
Issue: control is no longer local,  
i.e., moving any control point  
will cause the entire curve  
to change shape.

"Basis"

B-spline Curves

$C_2$

Defined by:



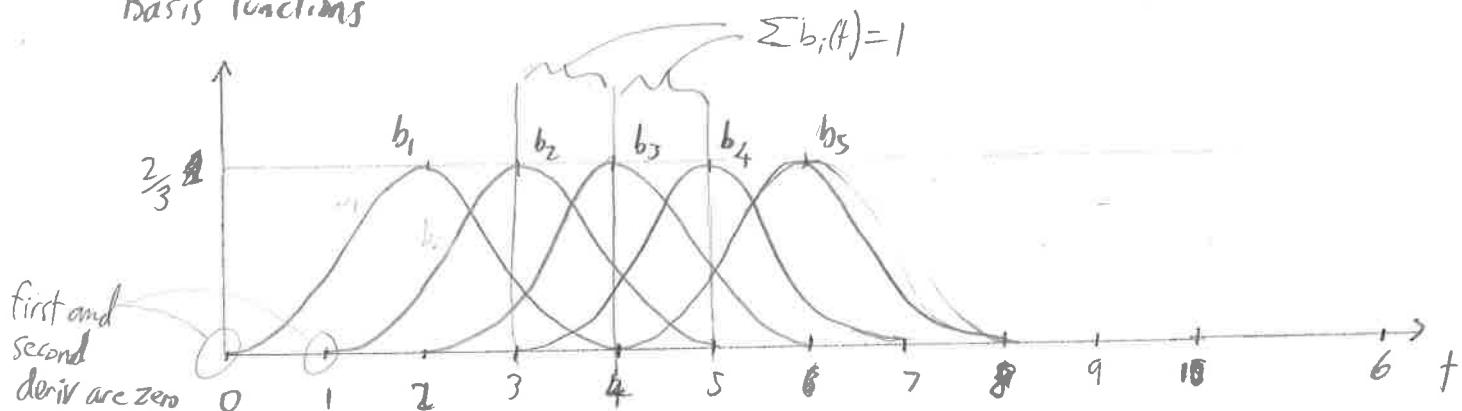
Constraints:

- continuous first derivatives at join, e.g.,  $x'_A(1) = x'_B(0)$
- continuous second derivatives at join, e.g.,  $x''_A(1) = x''_B(0)$

Final form: (derivation beyond scope of course, but not that difficult)

$$x(t) = [t^3 \ t^2 \ t \ 1] \frac{1}{8} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Basis functions



B-spline continuity:  $C_2$

B-spline endpoint interpolation  
→ include duplicate knots, e.g.,

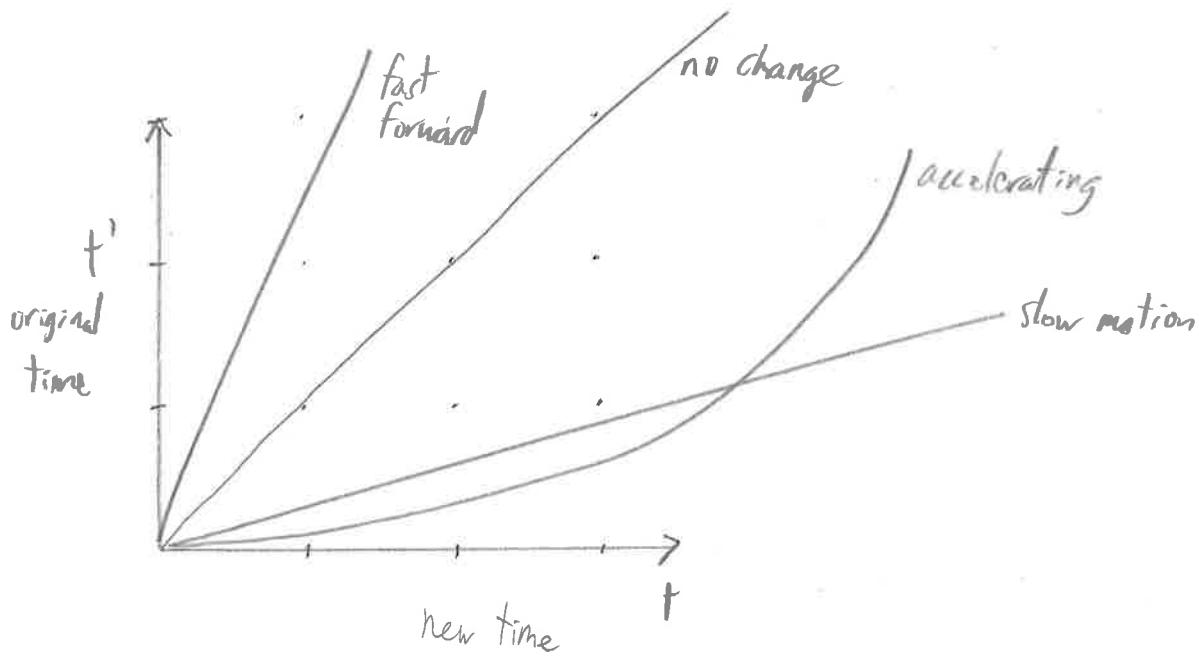
$$\underline{P_1 \ P_1 \ P_1 \ P_2 \ P_3 \ P_4 \ P_5 \ P_6 \ P_6 \ P_6}$$

## Spline Comparison

	local control	interpolating	$C_2$
Catmull - Rom	✓	✓	
Cubic B-spline	✓		✓
interpolating piecewise cubic $C_2$ spline		✓	✓

## Common Keyframe Types in commercial tools, e.g. Maya

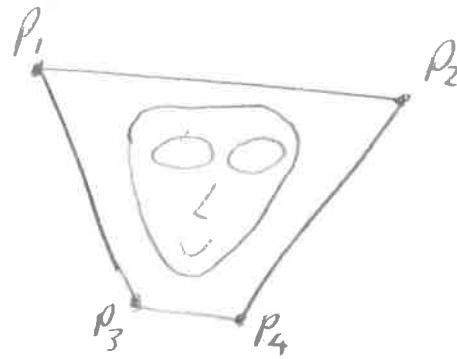
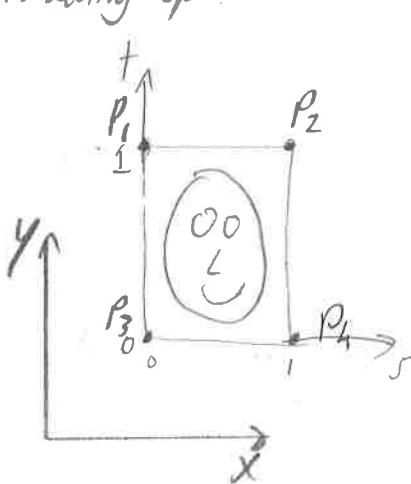
- "spline"      smoothly passes through desired value, from previous keyframe to next keyframe i.e., Catmull-Rom
- "linear"      piecewise linear
- "stepped"      piecewise constant
- "ease-in ease-out / flat"      use cubic spline, or portion of sinusoid
- "in tangent + out tangent"      Motion Retiming



## Splines for Deformation

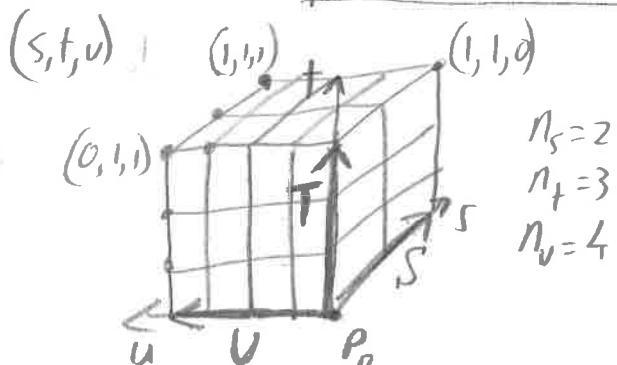
Deform an embedding space

2D example with first-order Bézier basis functions.



$$P = \sum_i w_i(s,t) P_i \\ = (1-s)t P_1 + s t P_2 + (1-s)(1-t) P_3 + s(1-t) P_4$$

## Free Form Deformations



$$(n_s+1)(n_t+1)(n_u+1) = 60 \text{ control points}$$

- ① Define embedding grid using  $P_0, S, T, U$
- ② Compute  $s, t, u$  for embedded object vertices
 
$$s = (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \cdot S \cdot \frac{1}{\|S\|^2}$$
 ensures  $s \in [0,1]$ 

$$t = (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \cdot T \cdot \frac{1}{\|T\|^2}$$

$$u = (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \cdot U \cdot \frac{1}{\|U\|^2}$$

- ④ Move control points  $P_{ijk}$

- ③ Define initial control point locations

$$P_{ijk} = P_0 + \frac{i}{n_s} S + \frac{j}{n_t} T + \frac{k}{n_u} U$$

$$\text{for } 0 \leq i \leq n_s \\ 0 \leq j \leq n_t \\ 0 \leq k \leq n_u$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n_s} \sum_{j=0}^{n_t} \sum_{k=0}^{n_u} \underbrace{\binom{n_s}{i} \binom{n_t}{j} \binom{n_u}{k} (1-s)^{n_s-i} s^i (1-t)^{n_t-j} t^j (1-u)^{n_u-k} u^k}_{\text{product of the Bézier basis functions in each dimension}} P_{ijk}$$

remember:  $[(1-t)+t]^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (1-t)^{n-i} t^i$

$$(a+b)^3 = \binom{3}{0} a^3 + \binom{3}{1} a^2 b + \binom{3}{2} a b^2 + \binom{3}{3} b^3 \\ = a^3 + 3a^2 b + 3 a b^2 + b^3$$

## Deformation Methods

"Rigging": Preparing a 3D model for animation by adding shape deformation mechanisms. These allow an animator to control the shape and motion via a set of "handles" i.e., control points, joint angles, "reach targets" for the hands & feet, etc.

Woody in "Toy Story": 700+ (200+ just for face)

Space Deformation Methods [handles] (also useful for image morphing)

- free form deformations: lattice embeds object [lattice points]

- "wires": virtual armature; deforms space around a curve [curve]

- cages: control points of embedding cage; allows for flexible topology, unlike lattices e.g. "harmonic coordinates" [cage vertices]

Optimization-based Methods

- Laplacian surface editing [anchor & manipulation vertices]

- "As rigid as possible" [same]

- several others

Physics-based Methods

- i.e., guest lecture

Skeleton-driven Methods "skinning" (to be discussed in detail later)

- drive character motion via joint angles

+ position and orientation of "root link"

- multiple possible skinning methods to produce shape deformations that result from bending and twisting at joints.

Data-driven methods

- learn deformation models from real data