



CPSC 424

Review I (curves)

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Curves: Review

Curves in 2D and 3D

- Implicit vs. Explicit vs. Parametric curves
- Bézier curves, de Casteljau algorithm
- Continuity

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Curves & Surfaces as Explicit Functions



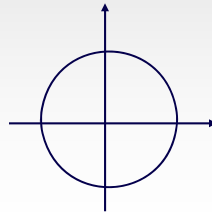
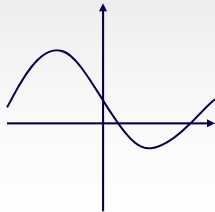
Curves:

$$y = F(x)$$

Surfaces:

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

Examples:



Not a function in Cartesian coord.,

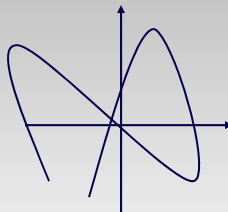
$$y = \pm\sqrt{1-x^2}$$

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Curves & Surfaces as Explicit Functions



Not representable as a function:



Limitations of explicit functions:

- Cannot model every curve in 2D
- No true 3D curves possible
 - All curves confined to a plane

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Curves & Surfaces as Implicit Functions



Curves

$$F(x, y) = 0$$

Surfaces

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

Interpretation for curves:

- Iso-lines (contours) in a terrain

Property:

- If F is continuous, implicit curves and surfaces are always closed or extend to infinity

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Curves & Surfaces as Implicit Functions

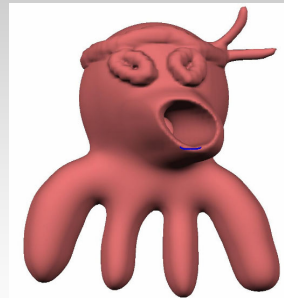


Conversion:

- Explicit to implicit: trivial $y - F(x) = 0$
- Implicit to explicit: hard
 - Solving for y involves root finding!

Limitations of implicit curves:

- Curves only in 2D
 - Every smooth implicit function in 3D describes a surface!
- Often unintuitive
- (Difficult to render (display))
- But: useful for many tasks, including modeling, ML, medical imaging



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Curves & Surfaces as Parametric Functions



Concept:

- Curve as function of artificial “time” parameter t

2D curve:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_x(t) \\ F_y(t) \end{pmatrix} =: F(t); F : \mathcal{R} \mapsto \mathcal{R}^2$$

3D curve:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_x(t) \\ F_y(t) \\ F_z(t) \end{pmatrix} =: F(t); F : \mathcal{R} \mapsto \mathcal{R}^3$$

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Curves & Surfaces as Parametric Functions



Curve example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t \\ \sin t \\ t \end{pmatrix}$$

Surfaces (in 3D):

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F_x(s, t) \\ F_y(s, t) \\ F_z(s, t) \end{pmatrix} = F(s, t); F : \mathcal{R}^2 \mapsto \mathcal{R}^3$$

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Curves & Surfaces as Parametric Functions



This works in arbitrary dimensions!

- Curves:

$$\mathbf{x} = F(t); F : \mathcal{R} \mapsto \mathcal{R}^d$$

- Surfaces:

$$\mathbf{x} = F(s, t); F : \mathcal{R}^2 \mapsto \mathcal{R}^d$$

- Hypersurfaces:

$$\mathbf{x} = F(\mathbf{t}); F : \mathcal{R}^n \mapsto \mathcal{R}^d; n < d$$

Notation:

- Bold variables (\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{x}) denote vectors, while italics denote scalars (t, d).

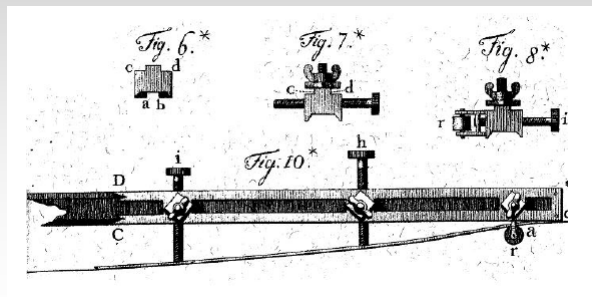
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Splines: parametric curves over geometric base



Geometric meaning of coefficients (base)

- Approximate/interpolate set of positions, derivatives, etc..



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Splines

Description = basis functions + coefficients

$$F(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_i B_i(t) = (x(t), y(t))$$

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_i^x B_i(t)$$

$$y(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_i^y B_i(t)$$

- Same basis functions for all coordinates

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Parametric Spline Curves

Commonly used classes:

- Polynomials
 - Lagrange, Bézier, Hermite
- Piecewise polynomials
 - B-splines
- (Rational and piecewise-rational curves)
 - Rational Bézier curves, rational B-splines (NURBS)

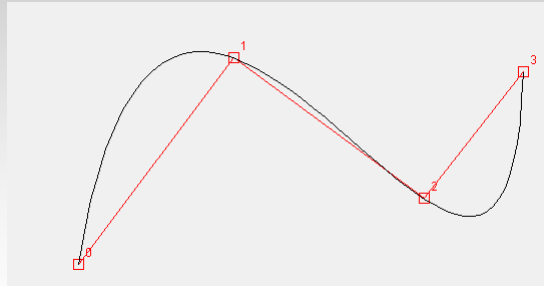
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Interpolate “Control” Points: Lagrange Polynomials



Use points we want to interpolate as basis

- Polynomial degree = number of input points – 1



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Basis Functions: Lagrange Polynomials



- Given: $m+1$ parameter values $t_0 \dots t_m$
- Define

$$L_i^m(t) := \prod_{j=0, \dots, m, j \neq i} \frac{t - t_j}{t_i - t_j}; i = 0 \dots m$$

$$L_i^m(t_k) = \begin{cases} 1; & i = k \\ 0; & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- Lagrange spline

$$F(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m L_i^m(t_i) \cdot b_i$$

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Properties?

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Other Option: Hermite Cubic Basis

Geometrically-oriented coefficients

- 2 positions + 2 tangents

Require $F(0)=P_0, F(1) = P_1, F'(0)=T_0, F'(1)=T_1$

Define basis function per requirement

$$F(t) = P_0 h_{00}(t) + P_1 h_{01}(t) + T_0 h_{10}(t) + T_1 h_{11}(t)$$

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Hermite Cubic Basis

Can satisfy with cubic polynomials as basis

$$h_{ij}(t) = a_3t^3 + a_2t^2 + a_1t + a_0$$

Obtain - solve 4 linear equations in 4 unknowns for each basis function

$$h_{ij}(t); i, j = 0, 1, t \in [0, 1]$$

curve	$F(0)$	$F(1)$	$F'(0)$	$F'(1)$
$h_{00}(t)$	1	0	0	0
$h_{01}(t)$	0	1	0	0
$h_{10}(t)$	0	0	1	0
$h_{11}(t)$	0	0	0	1

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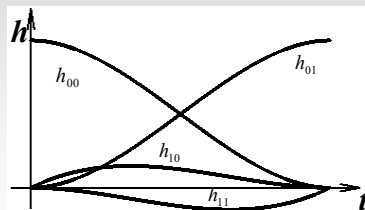


Hermite Cubic Basis

Four polynomials that satisfy the conditions

$$h_{00}(t) = t^2(2t-3)+1 \quad h_{01}(t) = -t^2(2t-3)$$

$$h_{10}(t) = t(t-1)^2 \quad h_{11}(t) = t^2(t-1)$$



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Bézier Curves

Definition:

- Bézier curve is a polynomial curve that uses **Bernstein polynomials** as basis

$$F(t) = \sum_{i=0}^m \mathbf{b}_i B_i^m(t)$$

- \mathbf{b}_i are called control points of Bézier curve
- Control polygon obtained by connecting control points with line segments

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Bernstein Polynomials

$$B_i^m(t) := \binom{m}{i} t^i (1-t)^{m-i}; i = 0..m; t \in [0,1],$$

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

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Properties of Bézier Curves



- Endpoints b_0 and b_m of control polygon interpolated & corresponding parameter values are $t=0$ and $t=1$
- Bézier curve is tangential to control polygon at endpoints
- Curve lies within convex hull of control points
- Curve is *affine invariant*
- There is a fast, recursive evaluation algorithm – de Casteljau algorithm
- Which of these apply to: Hermite, Lagrange?

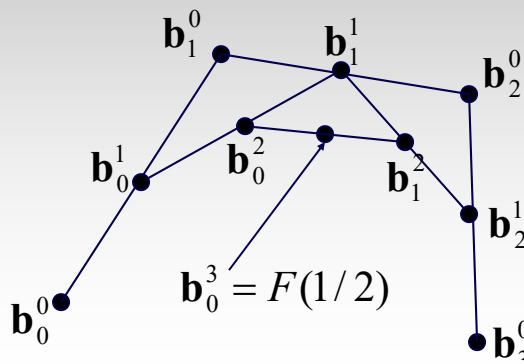
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De Casteljau Algorithm



Graphical Interpretation:

- Determine point $F(1/2)$ for the cubic Bézier curve given by the following four points:



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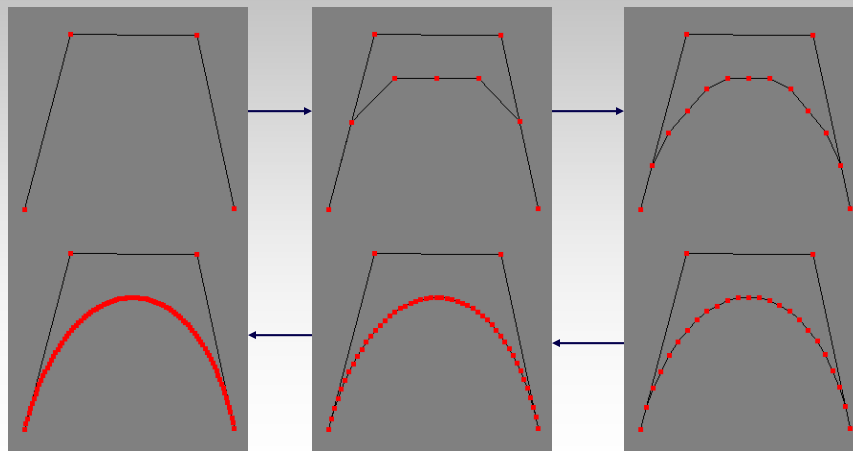
Bezier Subdivision

De Casteljau generates 2 new control polygons!

- For parameter interval $[0, 1/2]$, and $[1/2, 1]$
- Can be used to recursively subdivide control polygon & approximate actual curve
- Useful for drawing, etc..

Example

Cubic case:





Derivatives of Bézier Curves

Theorem:

- The derivative of a Bézier curve

$$F(t) := \sum_{i=0}^m B_i^m(t) \cdot \mathbf{b}_i$$

is given as

$$F'(t) := m \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} B_i^{m-1}(t) \cdot (\mathbf{b}_{i+1} - \mathbf{b}_i)$$

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Continuity

Def:

- A curve $F(t)$ is called C^k -continuous if its k^{th} derivative $F^{(k)}(t)$ exists (i.e. is continuous) everywhere

Note:

- Polynomial curves are infinitely continuous

Def:

- Two curve segments $F(t)$ defined over $[t, t_0]$ and $G(t)$ defined over $[t_0, t']$ are called C^k -continuous at t_0 if their first k derivatives match at t_0
 - Definition extends to cases with “shifted” parameter intervals $F(t)$ $[t, t_0]$ and $G(t)$ $[t_1, t']$ are called C^k -continuous if at if first k derivatives of $F(t)$ at t_0 match first k derivatives of $G(t)$ at t_1

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Bezier Continuity

- C^0 : share end control points $b_m = b'_0$
- C^1 : $b_m - b_{m-1} = b'_1 - b'_0$
- G^1 : $b_m - b_{m-1}$ collinear to $b'_1 - b'_0$