

# Bezier Curves and Surfaces (Redbook ch12)

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# Review last time

- Bump mapping theory
- Creating a texture in OpenGL
  - Texture objects: `glBindTexture()`
  - Loading image data: `glTexImage2D()`
    - ◆ Using the framebuffer as a texture
- Applying a texture in OpenGL
  - Blending modes: `glTexEnvf()`
  - Texture coordinates: `glTexCoord2f()`
    - ◆ Auto-generated texcoords: `glTexGen()`
    - ◆ Spherical environmental mapping

# What's on for today

- Polynomial **curves** and **surfaces**
- **Cubic** polynomial curves:
  - **Interpolating** (4 points)
  - **Hermite** (2 points + 2 derivatives)
  - **Bezier** (2 interpolating end points + 2 midpoints)
  - Using Bezier **evaluators** in OpenGL

# Parametric representation

- Recall a 1D **curve** in 3D can be represented as:

$$\mathbf{p}(u) = \begin{bmatrix} x(u) \\ y(u) \\ z(u) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{p}'(u) = \begin{bmatrix} x'(u) \\ y'(u) \\ z'(u) \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\mathbf{p}'(u)$  is the **tangent** (velocity) vector
  - Usually limit  $u$  to interval  $[0,1]$  for simplicity
- For **surfaces** we have two parameters  $(u, v)$ :

$$\mathbf{p}(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} x(u, v) \\ y(u, v) \\ z(u, v) \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}}{\partial u}(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial x / \partial u \\ \partial y / \partial u \\ \partial z / \partial u \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}}{\partial v}(u, v) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial x / \partial v \\ \partial y / \partial v \\ \partial z / \partial v \end{bmatrix}$$

# Polynomial curves

- Restrict the functions  $x(u)$ ,  $y(u)$ ,  $z(u)$  to be **polynomial** (of degree  $n$ ) in  $u$ :

$$p(u) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k u^k$$

- Each **coefficient**  $c_k$  is a **3-vector**
- $u^k$  are the  **$n+1$  basis** functions
- Often choose  **$n=3$ : cubic** polynomial
  - ◆  $k=0..3$ ,  $(x,y,z)$ : need **12** numbers
- Similarly for **surfaces**:

$$p(u, v) = \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{k=0}^n c_{jk} u^j v^k$$

# Interpolating Cubic Polynomials

- Simplest case, but rarely used in practice
- Four control points  $p_0, \dots, p_3$
- Fit a cubic polynomial through them
  - Space  $u$  evenly:  $p_0 = p(0), p_1 = p(1/3), \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} p_0 &= p(0) = c_0 \\ p_1 &= p\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = c_0 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)c_1 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 c_2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 c_3 \\ p_2 &= p\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = c_0 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)c_1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 c_2 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 c_3 \\ p_3 &= p(1) = c_0 + c_1 + c_2 + c_3 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \left[ \begin{array}{l} p_0 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) & \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 & \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \\ 1 & \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) & \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 & \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{l} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{array} \right] \end{array}$$

# Geometry matrix

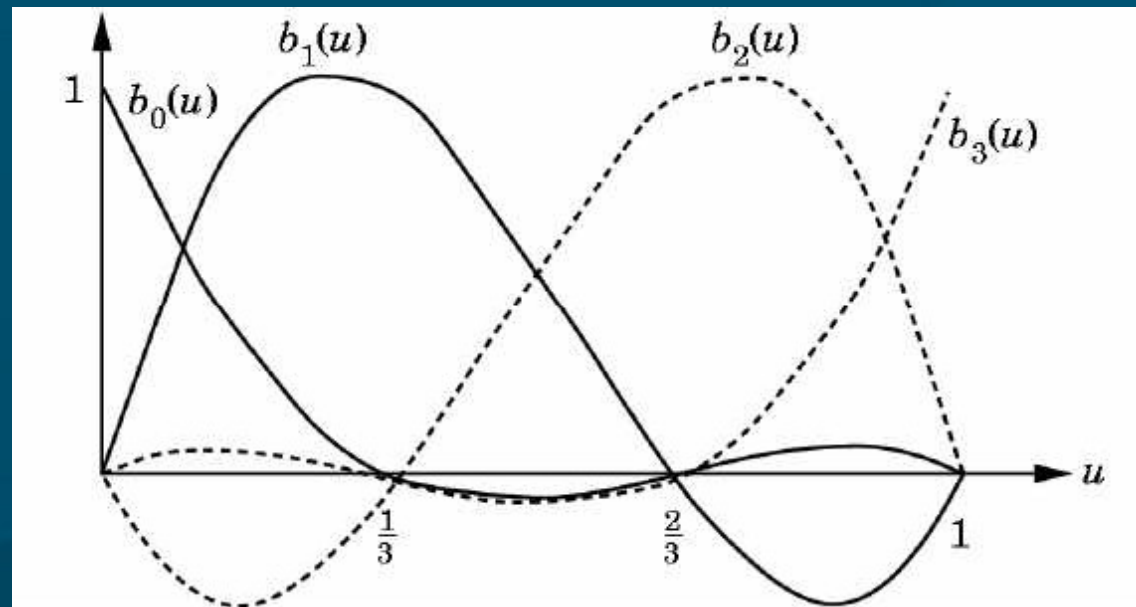
- Invert this matrix to get the **geometry** matrix
  - Multiply the **geometry** matrix by the four **control** points to get the **coefficients**

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -5.5 & 9 & -4.5 & 1 \\ 9 & -22.5 & 18 & -4.5 \\ -4.5 & 13.5 & -13.5 & 4.5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_0 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The coefficients **define** the cubic polynomial that interpolates these control points
  - Can **render**, e.g., by using many small line segments (**GL\_LINE\_STRIP**)

# Blending functions

- We can also look at the **contribution** each control point makes to the final curve
- For interpolating **cubics**:
  - $p(u) = b_0(u) p_0 + b_1(u) p_1 + b_2(u) p_2 + b_3(u) p_3$

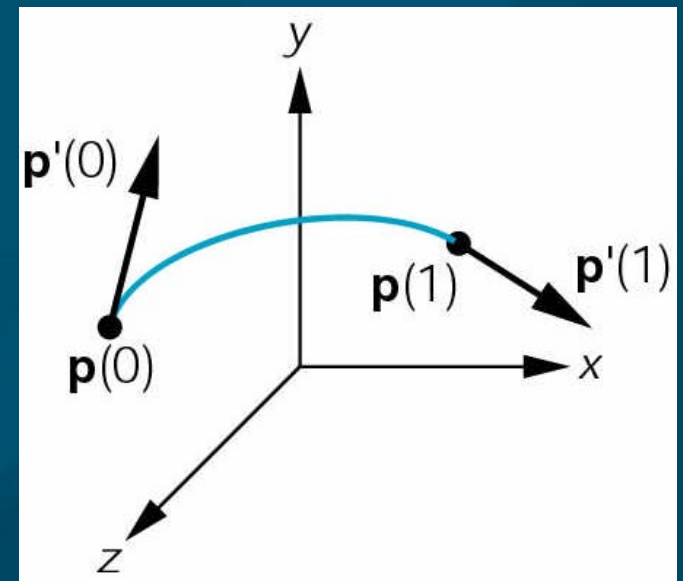




# Hermite polynomial curves

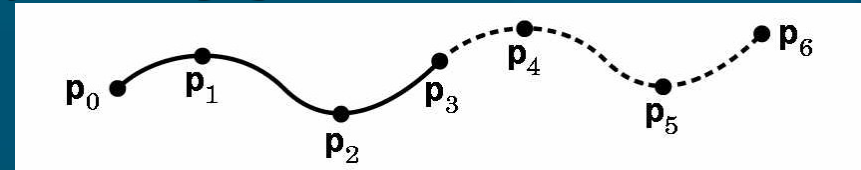
- Another way of defining cubic polynomials
- Specify **start+end position+velocity**
  - Also 12 numbers
- In **matrix** form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ p'_0 \\ p_3 \\ p'_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Invert to get **Hermite geometry matrix** from which we get the coefficients

# Joining polynomial curves



- Each **segment** has 4 control points

- $\{p_0, p_1, p_2, p_3\}, \{p_3, p_4, p_5, p_6\}, \dots$

- Kinds of continuity: **differential**:

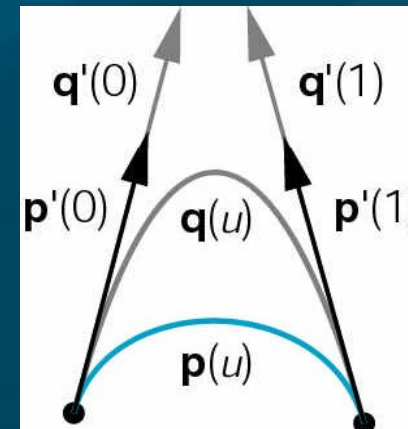
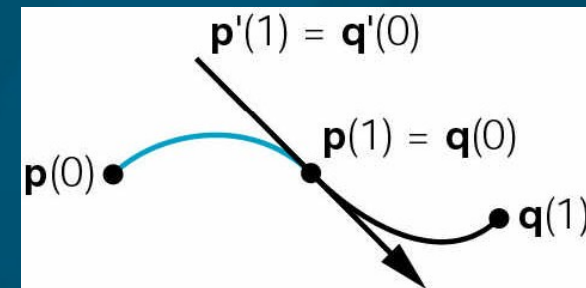
- $C^0$ : touching but may have **corner**

- $C^1$ : **derivatives** match (Hermite)

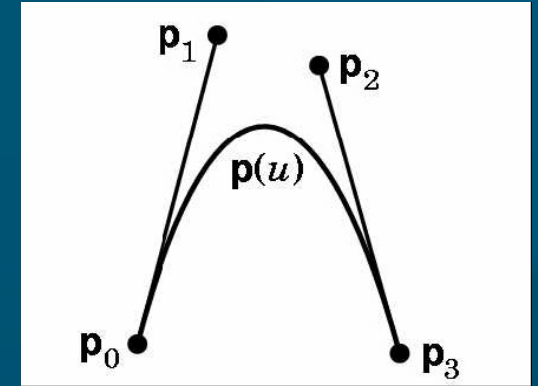
- $C^2$ : **curvatures** match

- Geometric** continuity:

- $G^1$ : velocity vectors in same **direction** but not necessarily same **magnitude**



# Bezier curves



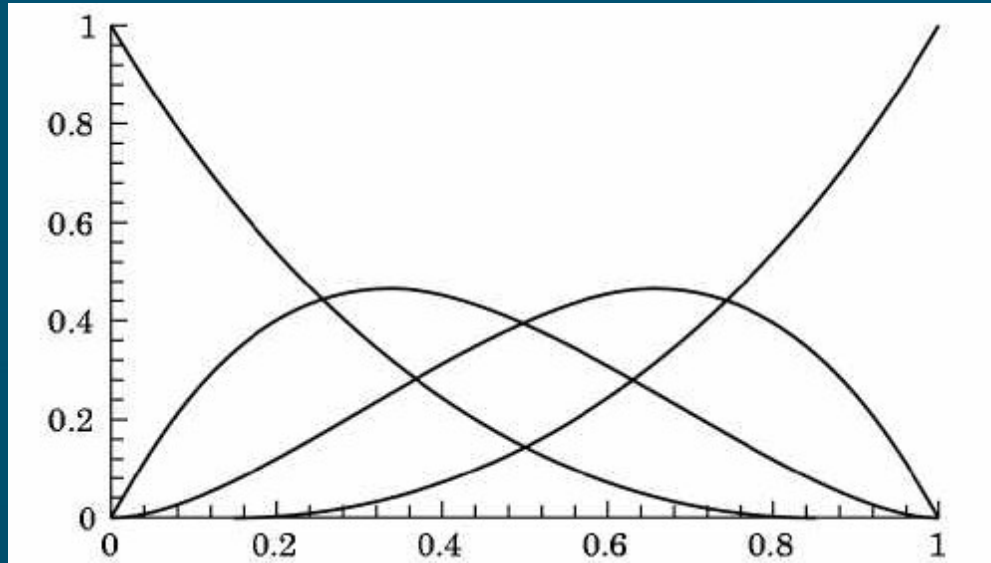
- Widely used, provided in **OpenGL**
- Use control **points** to indicate **tangent** vectors
  - Does **not** interpolate middle control points!
  - $p'(0) = 3(p_1 - p_0)$ ,  $p'(1) = 3(p_3 - p_2)$
- $p_0, p_3$  specify start+end **position**
- start+end **velocity** derived from control points
- Use **Hermite** form
- $C^0$  but not  $C^1$

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Bezier blending functions

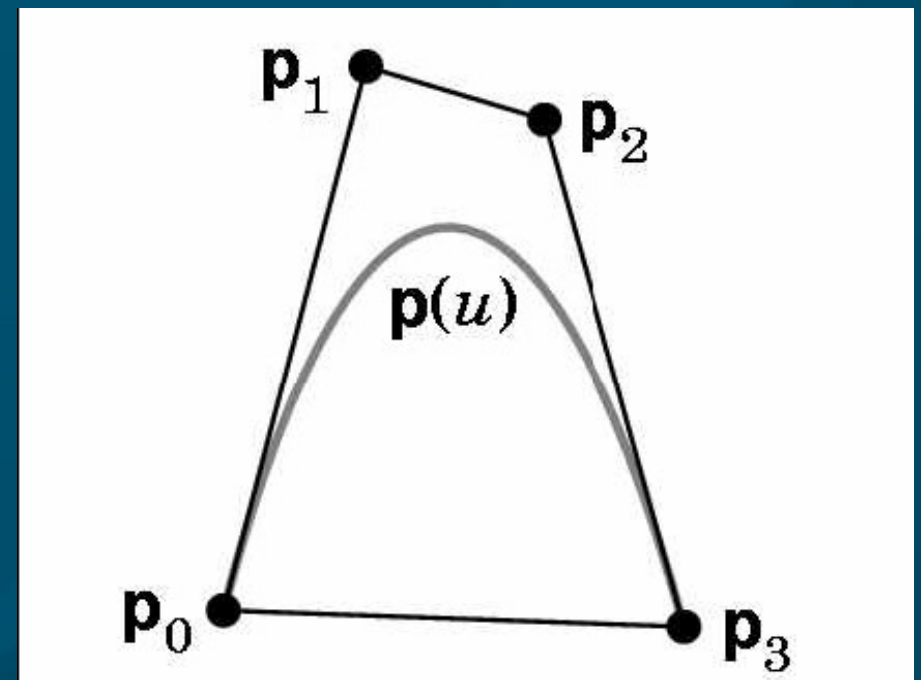
- Blending functions are **smooth** polynomials

- ◆  $b_0(u) = (1-u)^3$
- ◆  $b_1(u) = 3u(1-u)^2$
- ◆  $b_2(u) = 3u^2(1-u)$
- ◆  $b_3(u) = 3u^3$



# Convex hull property

- Why the factor of 3 in the definition of Bezier curves?
  - $p'(0) = 3(p_1 - p_0)$
  - $p'(1) = 3(p_3 - p_2)$
- Ensures that the curve is contained within the **convex hull** of the four control points



# Bezier evaluators in OpenGL

- Specify array (1D or 2D) of **control points**:
  - ◆ GLfloat `ctrlpoints[4][3] = { {-4.0, -4.0, 0.0}, ...`
- **Create** a Bezier evaluator: (*type=GL\_MAP1\_VERTEX\_3*)
  - ◆ `glMap1f( type, umin, umax, stride, order, points );`
- **Enable** the evaluator:
  - ◆ `glEnable( type );`
- **Evaluate** the Bezier at a particular u/v:
  - ◆ `glEvalCoord1f( (GLfloat) u );`
  - Use this instead of `glVertex()`, e.g., within `glBegin( GL_LINE_STRIP )`