

VGP352 – Week 1

⇒ Agenda:

- Course Intro
- Curves
- Curved surfaces
- Per-fragment lighting revisited
 - Phong Shading
 - Surface-space
- Bump mapping
 - Basic usage
 - Bumpmap storage



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What should you already know?

- ⇒ C++ and object oriented programming
 - For most assignments you will need to implement classes or portions of classes that conform to specific interfaces
- ⇒ Graphics terminology and concepts
 - Polygon, pixel, texture, infinite light, point light, spot light, etc.
- ⇒ Linear algebra and vector math
 - Matrix arithmetic



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What should you already know?

➤ Material from VGP351:

- Using OpenGL
 - Setting up shaders
 - Getting data in
 - etc.
- Transformations
 - 3D space transformations
 - Projections
- Lighting and shading
- Texture mapping



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What will you learn?

- ⇒ Advanced lighting models
 - BRDFs
 - Fur and hair rendering
 - “Toon” and other non-photorealistic rendering



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How will you be graded?

- ⇒ Four bi-weekly quizzes
 - These are listed on the syllabus
- ⇒ One final exam
- ⇒ Three programming projects
 - The first will be pretty small...perhaps small enough to complete in class
 - The remaining two projects will be larger
- ⇒ One in-class presentation



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How will you be graded?

⇒ Keep in mind:

- There is a *lot more* reading than in VGP351
 - More readings from the textbook
 - Readings from academic papers
- There is *more* programming than in VGP351



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How will programs be graded?

- Does the program produce the correct output?
- Are appropriate algorithms and data-structures used?
- Is the code readable, clear, and properly documented?



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How will the presentation be graded?

- During the term, several papers will be assigned to read
 - Select and present one of the assigned readings to the class
 - What is the problem being solved?
 - How does the paper's author solve that problem?
 - What is novel about the author's solution?
 - What questions does the paper leave unanswered?
 - Material from some papers may appear on bi-weekly quizzes



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Class Web Site

➤ Syllabus, assignments, and base code:

<http://people.freedesktop.org/~idr/2010Q1-VGP352/>



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Camera Control

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- Jarring change in direction at control points
- Jarring change in speed at control points

– Direction change or speed change = velocity change



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Camera Control

⇒ How can we fix this?

- Apply linear interpolation *again*
- Also add an additional control point
 - Now have \mathbf{p}_0 , \mathbf{p}_1 , and \mathbf{p}_2

⇒ To calculate $\mathbf{p}(t)$:

- Lerp between \mathbf{p}_0 and \mathbf{p}_1 , call the result \mathbf{d}
- Lerp between \mathbf{p}_1 and \mathbf{p}_2 , call the result \mathbf{e}
- Lerp between \mathbf{d} and \mathbf{e}

⇒ Formally, this is a *Bézier curve*



– Pronounced *beh-zee-eh*

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Bézier Curve

⇒ This works out to:

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⇒ More formally:

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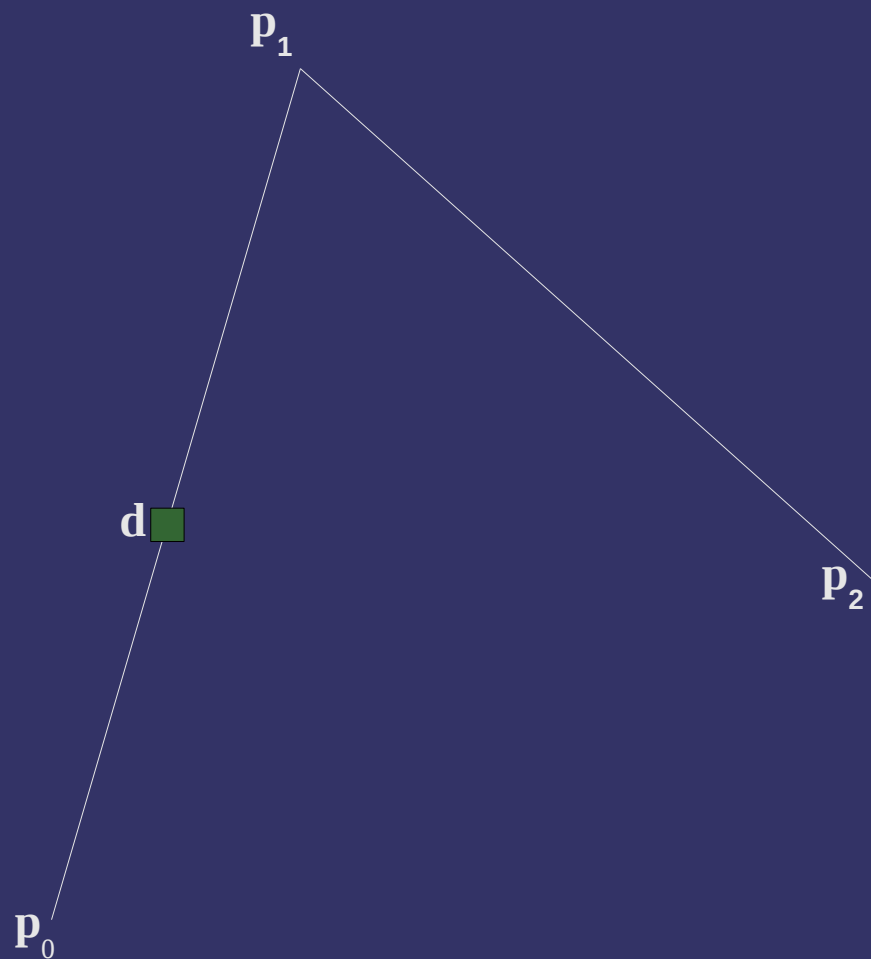
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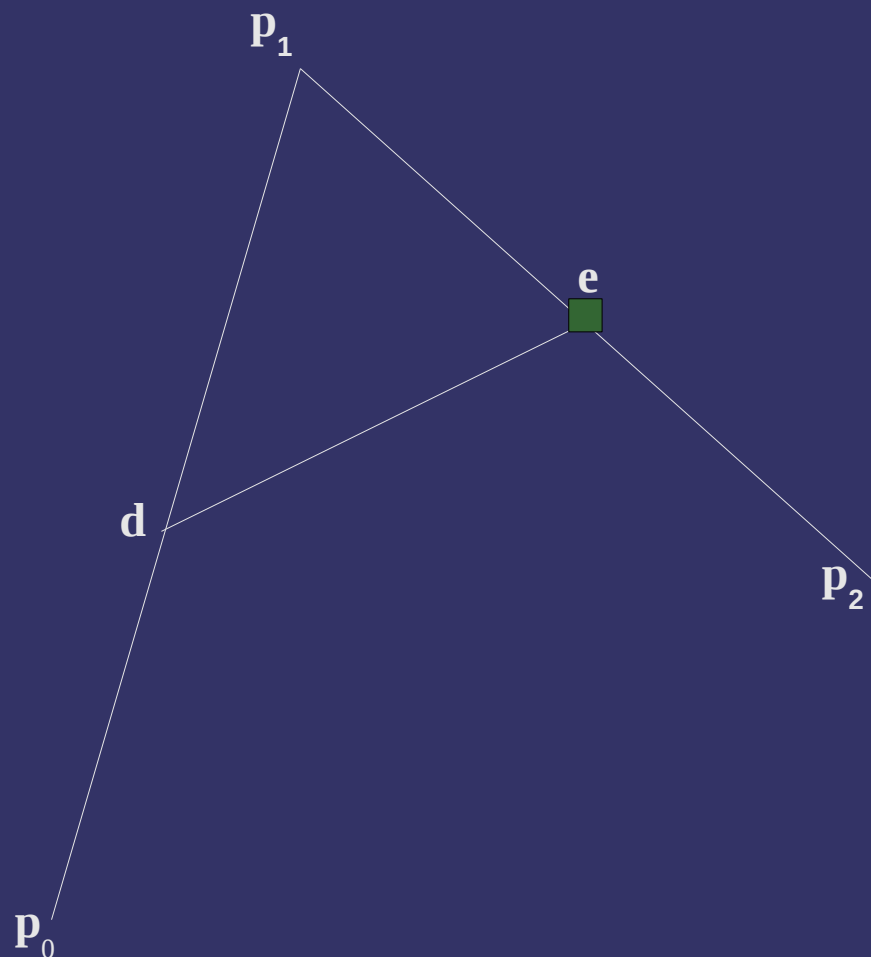
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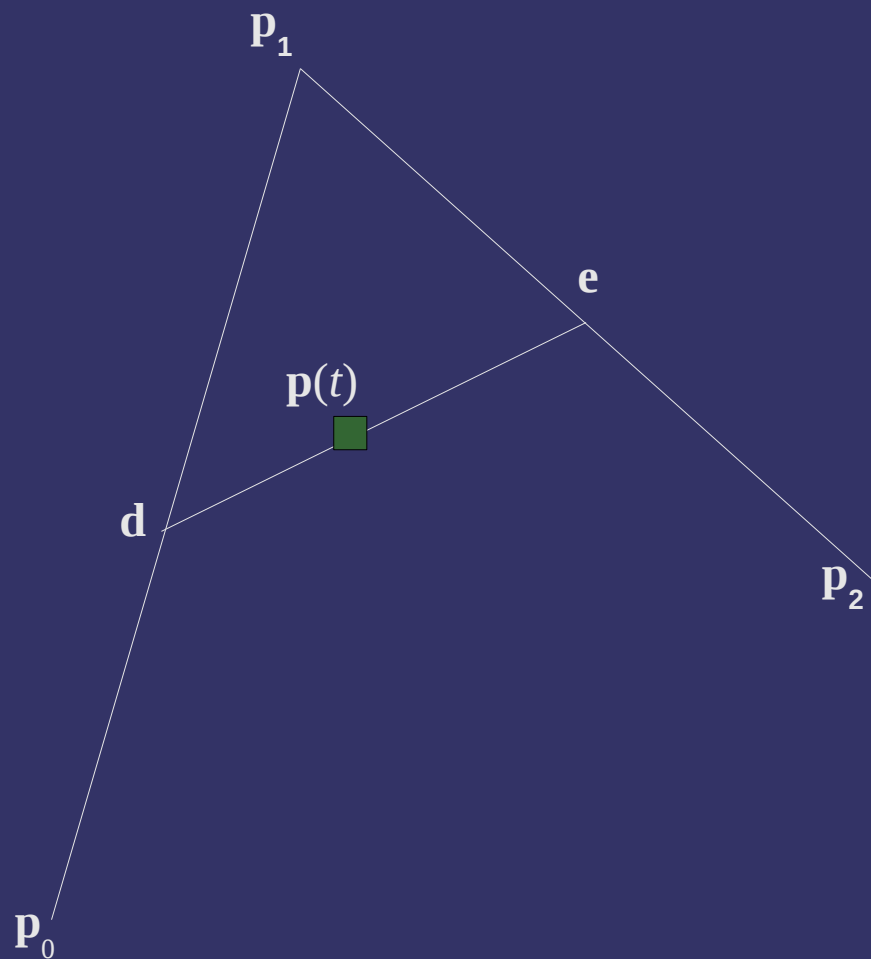
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Bézier Curve

⇒ Note:

- Curve lies within the convex hull of the control points
- Curve only passes through \mathbf{p}_0 and \mathbf{p}_n



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- ⇒ Can we do better?
 - Yes!
 - We can use *algebra* instead of interpolation



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Bézier Basis Functions

⇒ Rewrite a weighted sum of control points:

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

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

$$= \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$$

– B_i^n is the “Bernstein polynomial” or “Bézier basis function”

– Note:

$$t \in [0, 1] \rightarrow B_i^n(t) \in [0, 1]$$

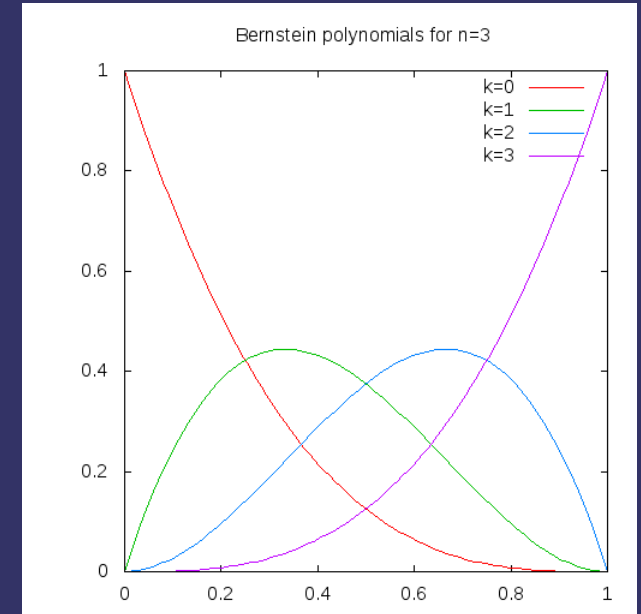
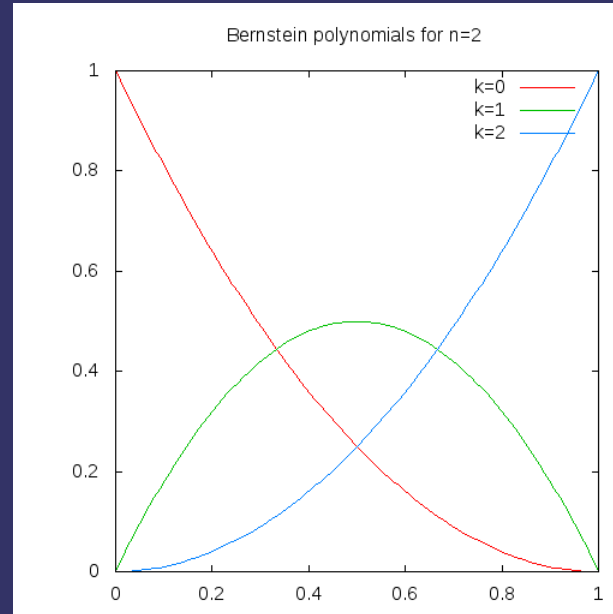
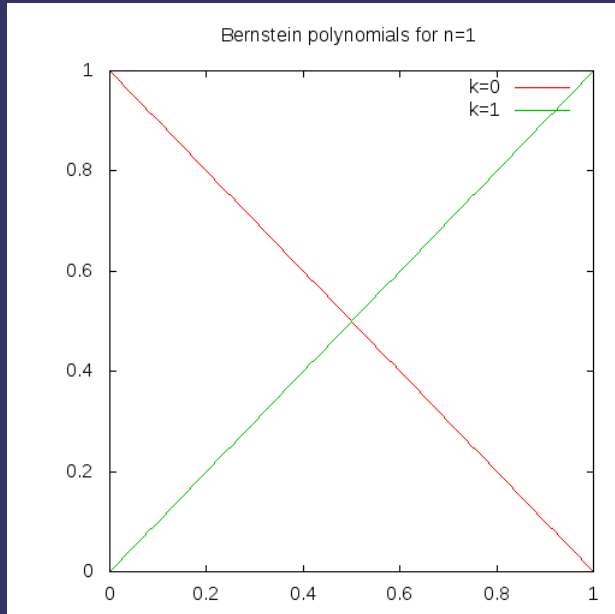
$$\sum_{i=0}^n B_i^n(t) = 1$$



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Bézier Basis Functions



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Bézier Curve

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 - Why?



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Bézier Curve

- Usually unnecessary to go higher than $n=3$
 - Why?
 - Evaluation cost increases as n increases
 - Cubic polynomials are the lowest degree whose derivative can change direction
 - This allows multiple cubic Bézier curves to be combine to approximate most shapes



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Piecewise Bézier Curves

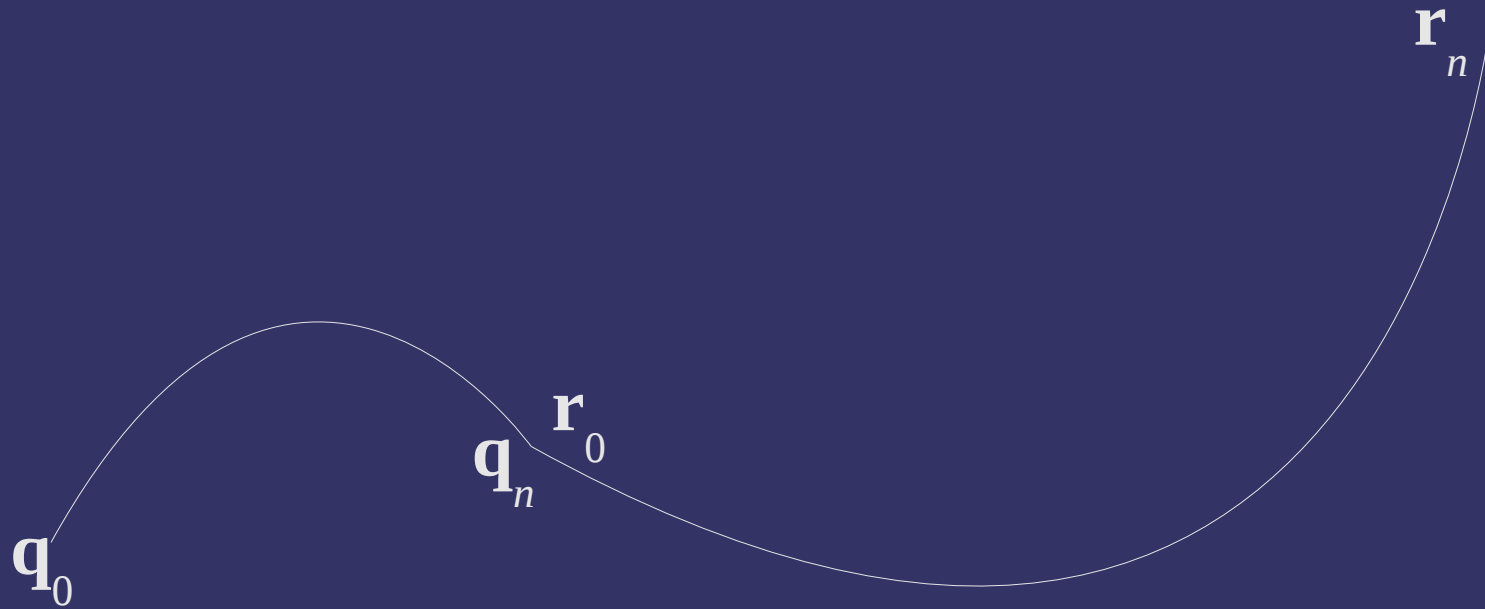
- ⇒ Curve only passes through \mathbf{p}_0 and \mathbf{p}_n
 - For camera control, we need to hit other definable points
- ⇒ Define multiple curves
 - Control points $\mathbf{q}_i, \mathbf{r}_i, \mathbf{s}_i$, etc.
 - Set $\mathbf{q}_n = \mathbf{r}_0$
 - This is called a *joint*



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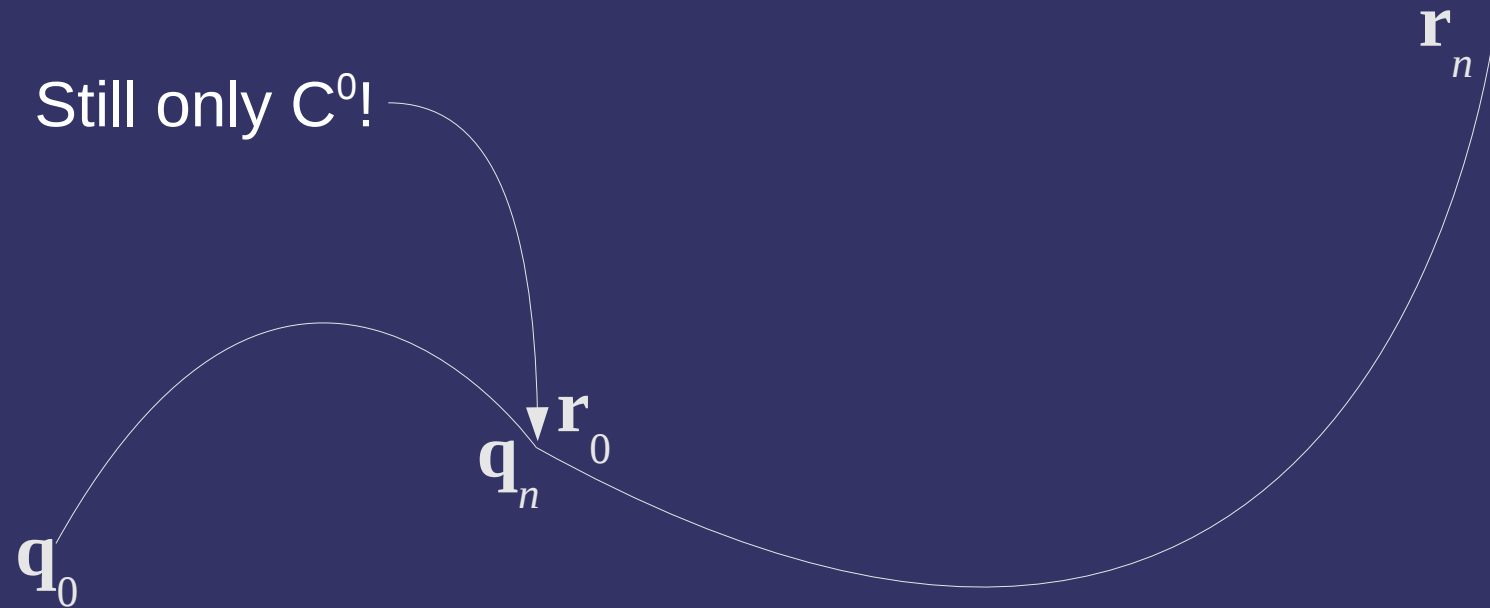
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Piecewise Bézier Curves

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 - Mathematically this means we want the function to be differentiable at the joint
 - This is the definition of C^1
- How is the derivative of a function at some point defined?



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 - It's the slope of a line *tangent* to the function at that point

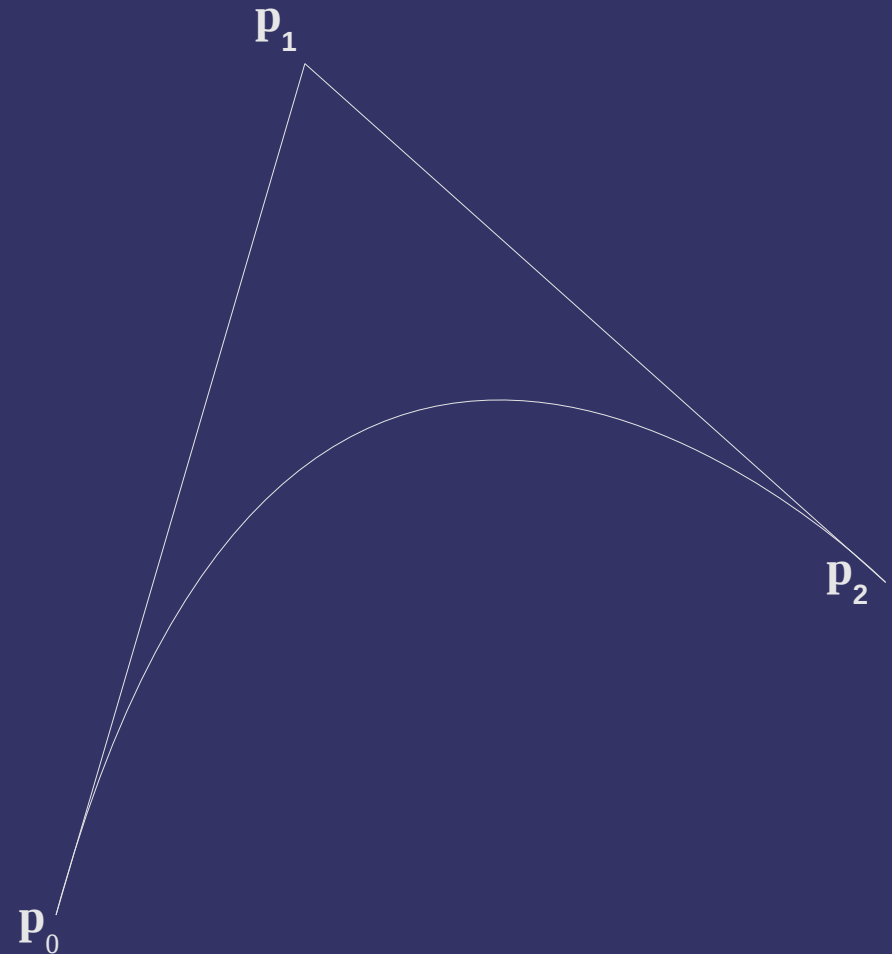


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Piecewise Bézier Curves

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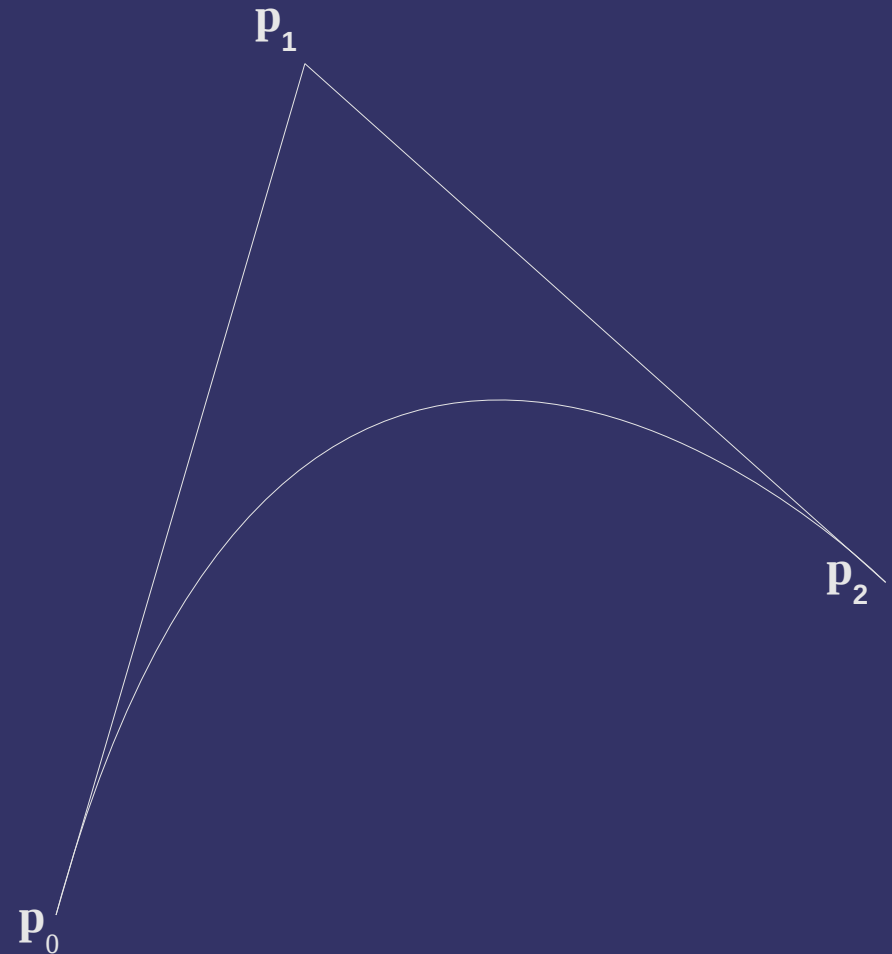
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Piecewise Bézier Curves

⇒ What are the tangents at \mathbf{p}_0 and \mathbf{p}_n ?

$$\mathbf{m}_0 = \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_0$$

$$\mathbf{m}_1 = \mathbf{p}_n - \mathbf{p}_{n-1}$$



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Piecewise Bézier Curves

⇒ How can continuity be improved?

– Let:

– \mathbf{m}_0 = tangent at start of first curve

– \mathbf{m}_1 = tangent at end of first curve

– \mathbf{m}_2 = tangent at start of second curve

– \mathbf{m}_3 = tangent at end of second curve

– Modify \mathbf{m}_1 and \mathbf{m}_2 so that they are parallel

$$\frac{\mathbf{m}_1 \cdot \mathbf{m}_2}{|\mathbf{m}_1| |\mathbf{m}_2|} = 1$$



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Piecewise Bézier Curves

- ⇒ If $|\mathbf{m}_1| \neq |\mathbf{m}_2|$ there will be a speed change at the joint
 - This is *not* C^1 , but it's better than C^0
 - Sometimes G^1 for *geometrical continuity*



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Derivative of a Bézier Curve

⇒ Derivative using the sum rule and regrouping:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p}(t) = n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} B_i^{n-1}(t) (\mathbf{p}_{i+1} - \mathbf{p}_i)$$

– Exercise for the reader to confirm:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p}(0) = \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p}(1) = \mathbf{p}_n - \mathbf{p}_{n-1}$$

– Result is a Bézier curve of one lower degree



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Curved Surfaces

- ⇒ Start with the same interpolation games
 - First extend from one parameter, t , to two parameters $\langle u, v \rangle$
 - Use four control points, \mathbf{p}_{00} , \mathbf{p}_{01} , \mathbf{p}_{10} , \mathbf{p}_{11} , instead of two
 - Interpolate between adjacent pairs:
$$\mathbf{e} = (1-u)\mathbf{p}_{00} + v\mathbf{p}_{01}$$
$$\mathbf{f} = (1-u)\mathbf{p}_{10} + v\mathbf{p}_{11}$$
$$\mathbf{p}(u, v) = (1-v)\mathbf{e} + v\mathbf{f}$$
$$= (1-u)(1-v)\mathbf{p}_{00} + u(1-v)\mathbf{p}_{01} + (1-u)v\mathbf{p}_{10} + uv\mathbf{p}_{11}$$
 - Also known as *bilinear interpolation*



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Curved Surfaces

- Extend to a curved surface in the same way as extending a line to a curve:
 - Add control points
 - For an $n \times m$ degree patch, there are $(n+1)(m+1)$ control points
 - Usually $n=m$
 - Recursively interpolate between the control points
 - Or use Bernstein form



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Bézier Patches

⇒ Bernstein form:

$$\mathbf{p}(u, v) = \sum_{i=0}^m B_i^m(u) \sum_{j=0}^n B_j^n(v) \mathbf{p}_{i,j}$$

– As with Bézier curves:

– Surface lies within convex hull of control points

– And:

$$(u, v) \in [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow B_i^m(u) B_j^n(v) \in [0, 1]$$

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Derivative of a Bézier Patch

⇒ Similar to Bézier curves:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{p}(u, v)}{\partial u} = m \sum_{j=0}^n \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} B_i^{m-1}(u) B_j^n(v) [\mathbf{p}_{i+1, j} - \mathbf{p}_{i, j}]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{p}(u, v)}{\partial v} = n \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} B_i^m(u) B_j^{n-1}(v) [\mathbf{p}_{i, j+1} - \mathbf{p}_{i, j}]$$



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Normals of a Bézier Patch

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 - What we *really* want is the normal of the plane tangent to the surface



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Normals of a Bézier Patch

- ⇒ How do we calculate the normal?
 - What we *really* want is the normal of the plane tangent to the surface
 - The partial derivatives give two vectors that lie in that plane... just take the cross product!

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



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Phong Shading Recap

- Phong shading... aka per-fragment lighting
 - Calculate lighting parameters per-vertex
 - Interpolate calculated values
 - Calculate lighting per-fragment based on interpolated parameter values



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Phong Shading Recap

```
attribute vec3 normal;
attribute vec4 color;
uniform mat3 normal_xform;
uniform mat4 vertex_xform;
uniform mat4 mvp;

varying vec3 vertex_normal;
varying vec4 vertex_color;
varying vec3 vertex;

void main(void)
{
    gl_Position = mvp * gl_Vertex;

    vertex_normal = normal_xform * normal;
    vertex_color = color;
    vertex = vertex_xform * gl_Vertex;
}
```



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Phong Shading Recap

```
uniform vec3 eye_space_light;
varying vec3 vertex_normal;
varying vec4 vertex_color;
varying vec3 vertex;
const vec3 eye_space_eye = vec3(0);

void main(void)
{
    vec3 l = normalize(eye_space_light - vertex);
    vec3 v = normalize(eye_space_eye - vertex);
    vec3 h = normalize(l + v);
    float n_dot_l = dot(vertex_normal, l);
    vec4 diff = vertex_color * n_dot_l;
    float spec = pow(dot(n, h), 16.0);

    gl_FragColor = step(0.0, n_dot_l) *
        vec4(diff.xyz + vec3(spec), vertex_color.w);
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Surface-Space

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 - Assuming the surface is flat, $\mathbf{n}_{\text{surf}} = (0, 0, 1)$



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Surface-Space

- ⇒ If we know $\mathbf{n}_{\text{world}}$, can we create transformation that will generate \mathbf{n}_{surf} ?
- Not uniquely
 - An orthonormal basis requires three orthogonal, normalized vectors, but we only have one
 - If we have two we can generate the third
 - This is the same reason we need the “up” vector to create the camera look-at transform
 - If only we had another vector in plane...



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Surface-Space

- Create a new vector, and call it the *tangent*
 - Either partial derivative of a Bézier patch can be used for \mathbf{t}_{surf}
 - Usually $\partial \mathbf{p} / \partial u$ is used
 - Knowing \mathbf{n}_{surf} and \mathbf{t}_{surf} is enough to create an orthonormal basis
 - This basis can transform *any* vector to surface-space from object-space
 - \mathbf{n}_{obj} is an obvious choice
 - For lighting, \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{l} need to be in the same space as \mathbf{n}

➤ Because the tangent vector is used, surface-space is sometimes called *tangent-space*

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Surface-Space

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    vec3 vert_pos = vec3(vertex_xform * gl_Vertex);
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Remember: $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}\mathbf{M}^T$



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Remember: **n** is (0, 0, 1)!



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Surface-Space

⇒ What is **b**?

- In the calculation: $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{t}$
- Correctly, this is the *bi-tangent*
 - Many places incorrectly call it the bi-normal
 - Either way, we'll just call it **b**
- Generally easier and more efficient to compute this in a shader than supply it as an input
 - We *cannot* just use $\partial \mathbf{p} / \partial v$ from from our surface evaluation because the two partial derivatives may not be orthogonal to each other!



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Surface-Space

- ⇒ What does this math headache gain us?
 - Just a trivial fragment shader optimization so far
 - Seems hardly worth it
 - What else?



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Bump Mapping

- What if the surface isn't really flat or smoothly curved?
 - Just like few real surfaces have truly uniform color, few real surfaces have uniform normals
 - Use the same solution!
 - Store colors in an image → store normals in an image



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Normal Map Storage

- Store the X, Y, and Z values of the surface-space normals in the R, G, and B components
 - Since Z tends to be close to 1.0, these images tend to look very blue

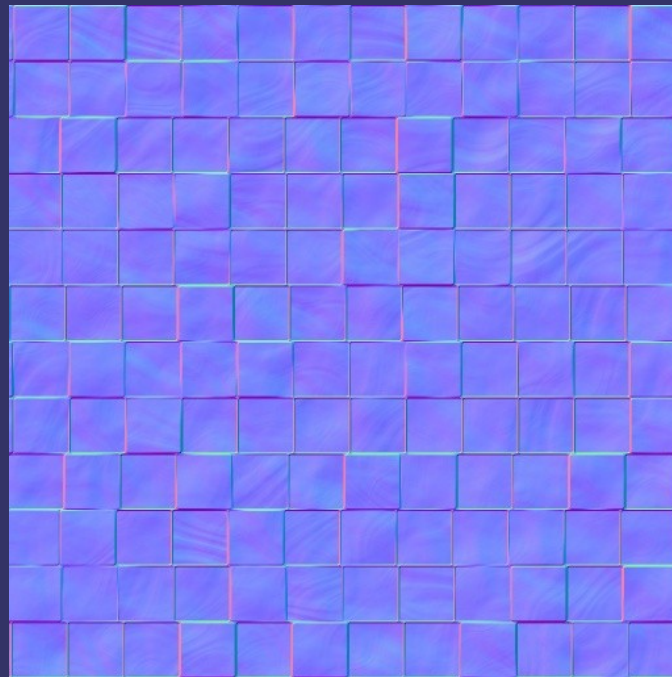


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Normal Map Storage

⇒ What is the range of colors in a texture?



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Normal Map Storage

- What is the range of colors in a texture?
 - [0.0, 1.0]
 - We have to convert these to the [-1, 1] range desired for normal directions
 - Just convert X and Y... Z must be > 0 , so just leave it



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Normal Map Storage

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 - Z must always be > 0.0
 - Derive it from X and Y:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 1.0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1.0$$

$$z^2 = 1.0 - x^2 - y^2$$

$$z = \sqrt{1.0 - x^2 - y^2}$$



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Normal Map Storage

- 2-component textures can be achieved in a couple ways:
 - Use `GL_LUMINANCE_ALPHA`
 - Some hardware doesn't really support this, so it will silently convert it to RGBA...making it bigger
 - Use `GL_RG`
 - Requires `GL_ARB_texture_rg` or OpenGL 3.0
 - Use `GL_COMPRESSED_RED_GREEN_RGTC2_EXT`
 - Requires `GL_ARB_texture_compression_rgtc`, `GL_EXT_texture_compression_rgtc`, or OpenGL 3.0
 - May add undesired compression artifacts



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Next week...

- ⇒ Render-to-texture
- ⇒ Environment mapping
 - Rendering to env maps
- ⇒ Improving the reflection model
 - Using env maps as better lights
 - Fresnel reflection
- ⇒ Read:

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