VGP352 – Week 1

- Agenda:
 - Course Intro
 - Reading technical papers
 - 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

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

What will you learn?

- Advanced lighting models
 - BRDFs
 - Fur and hair rendering
 - "Toon" and other non-photorealistic rendering

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

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

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?

How will the presentation be graded?

- During the term, several papers will be assigned to be read
 - Select and present one of the assigned readings to the class
 - Material from some papers may appear on bi-weekly quizzes

Class Web Site

Syllabus, assignments, and base code: http://people.freedesktop.org/~idr/2010Q4-VGP352/

Why read technical papers?



- Why read technical papers?
 - Almost every major advance in gaming graphics can be traced to a SIGGRAPH paper from 1 to 10 years before
 - At publication many algorithms are not yet usable
 - Hardware isn't quite fast enough / flexible enough
 - Algorithm makes simplifying assumptions that prevent general use
- Reading papers effectively is a skill

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 - Answer the "five C's"
 - Category: What type of paper is it?
 - Context: What other work is it related to?
 - Correctness: Is it based on valid / reasonable assumptions?
 - Contribution: What are the main contributions?
 - Clarity: Is it well written?
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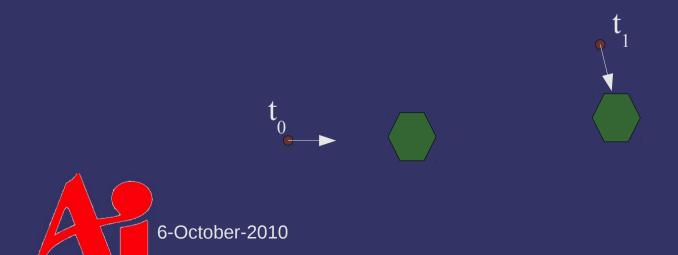
- Read a paper in 3 passes:
 - 2rd pass: an hour for details
 - Read the whole paper
 - Carefully examine diagrams, figures, graphs, etc.
 - Skip or skim proofs and detailed equations

- Read a paper in 3 passes:
 - 3rd pass: re-implement the paper
 - Recreate the work
 - Identify and challenge every assumption in the paper
 - Helps identify both the innovations and failings of the paper
 - Compare you recreation with the original
 - Make notes of ideas for future work

References

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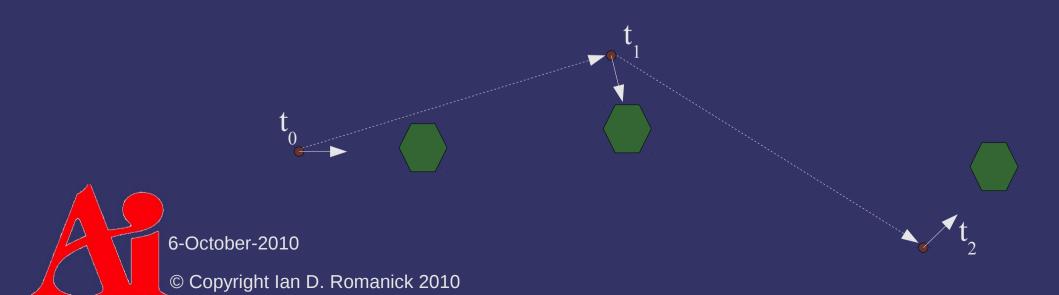


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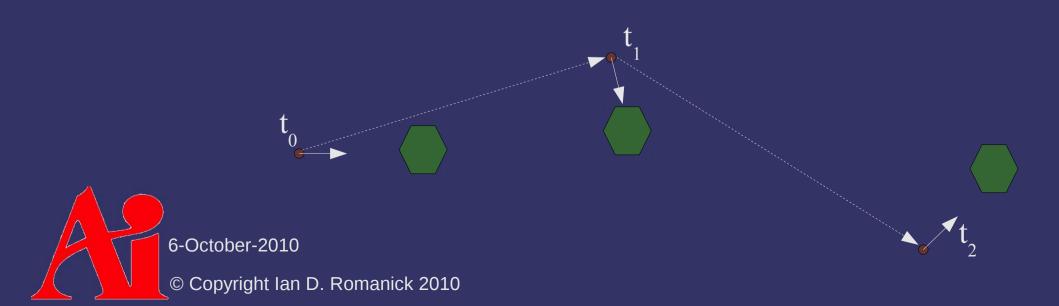
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 - Linearly interpolate between the positions

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$$= (1-t)\mathbf{p}_0 + t\mathbf{p}_1$$

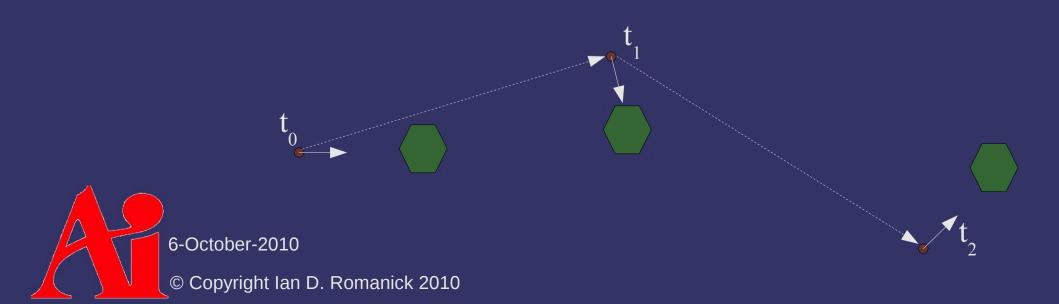
- Positionally continuous (aka C^0 continuity)



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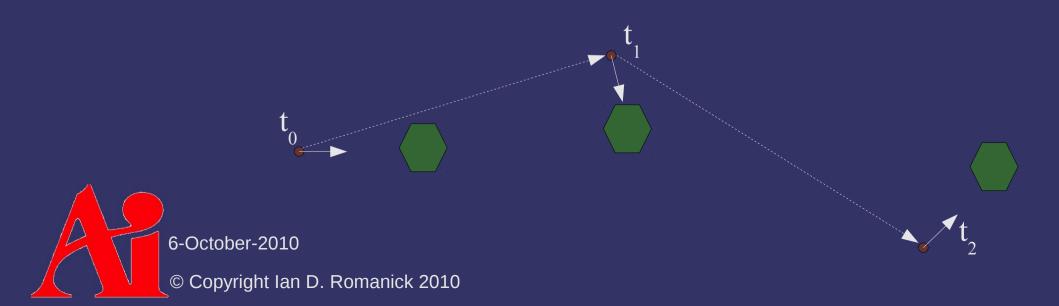
- What's wrong with C⁰?
 - Jarring change in direction at control points
 - Jarring change in speed at control points
 - Direction change or speed change = velocity change



Continuity

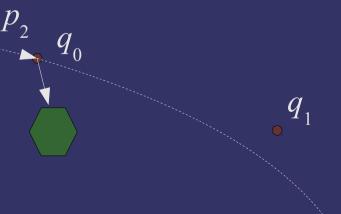
- What does it mean?
 - "f is C⁰" → The function f is continuous
 - "f is C^1 " \rightarrow The function f' is continuous
 - "f is \mathbb{C}^2 " \rightarrow The function f" is continuous
 - ...
 - "f is \mathbb{C}^{∞} " \rightarrow All derivatives of f are continuous

How can we fix this?



- How can we fix this?
 - Add one more control point for each segment
 - Each segment has p_0 , p_1 , and p_2
 - Do more linear interpolation
 - $d = \text{lerp}(p_0, p_1, t)$
 - $e = \operatorname{lerp}(p_1, p_2, t)$
 - p(t) = lerp(d, e, t)

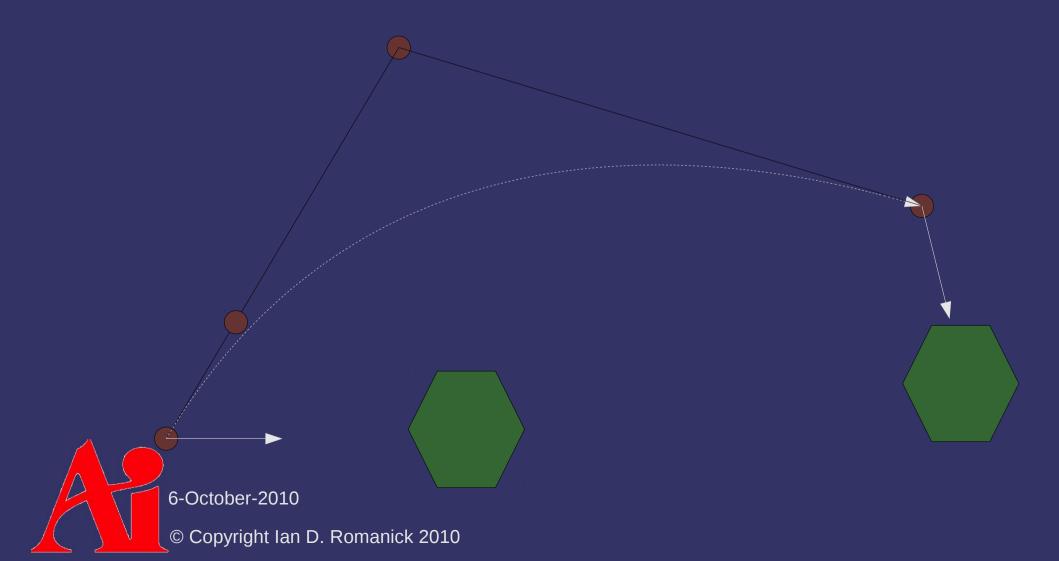




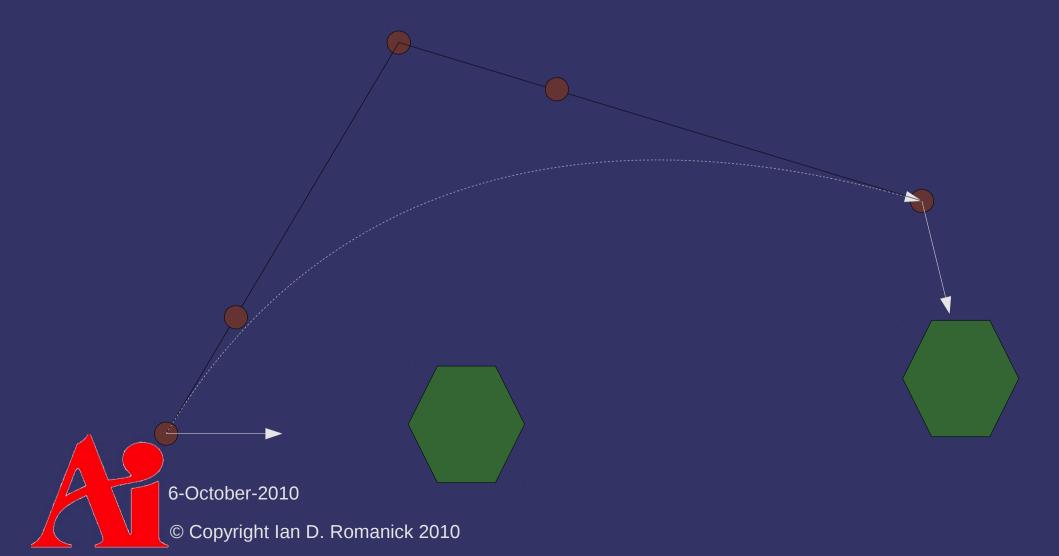


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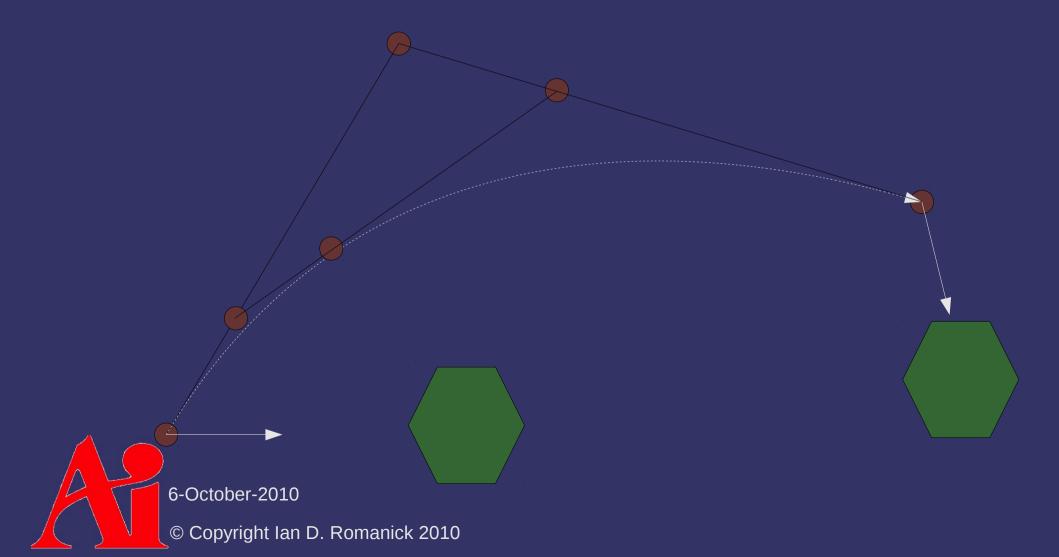
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 $p(0.3) = lerp(lerp(p_0, p_1, 0.3), lerp(p_1, p_2, 0.3), 0.3)$



This works out to:

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More formally:

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 - We can use algebra instead of interpolation

Bézier Basis Functions

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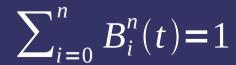
$$\mathbf{p}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \mathbf{B}_{i}^{n}(t) \mathbf{p}_{i}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_{i}^{n}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} n \\ i \end{pmatrix} t^{i} (1-t)^{n-i}$$

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

- B_i^n is the Bernstein polynomial or Bézier basis function
- Note:

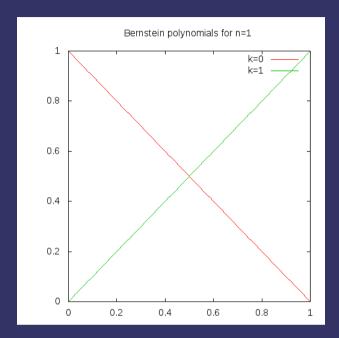
$$t \in [0,1] \to B_i^n(t) \in [0,1]$$

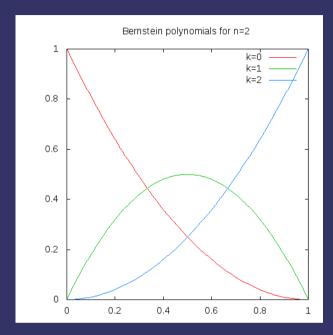


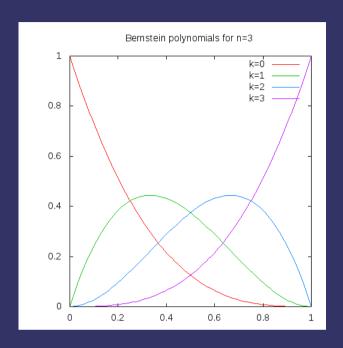


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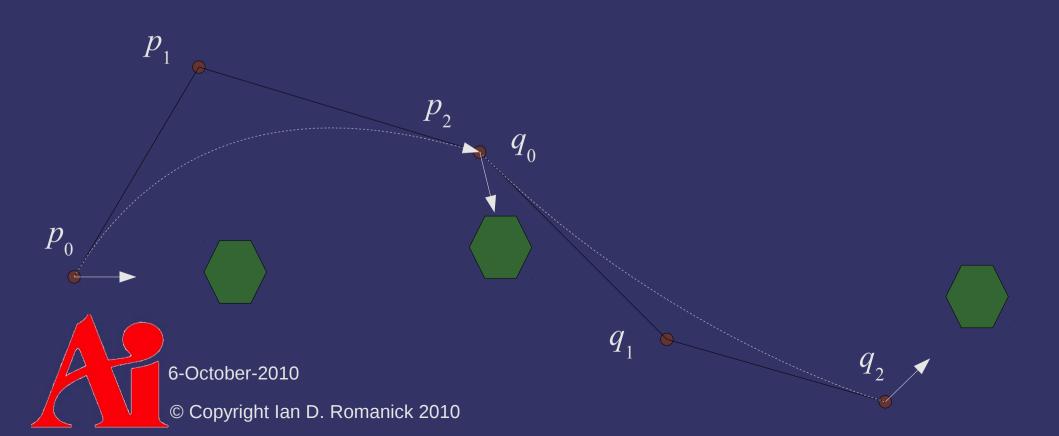


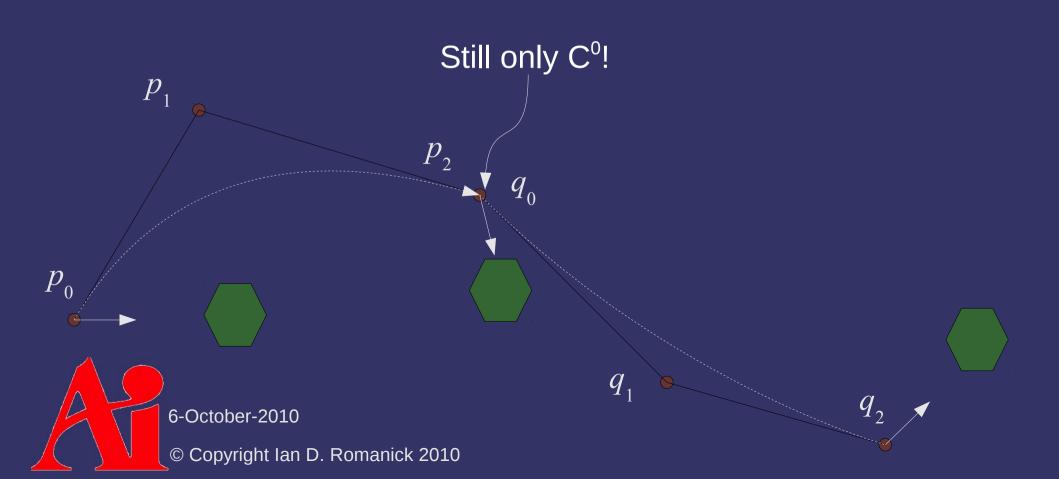
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 - Cubic polynomials are the lowest degree whose derivative can change direction
 - Multiple cubic Bézier curves can be combined to approximate most shapes
 - Evaluation cost increases as n increases

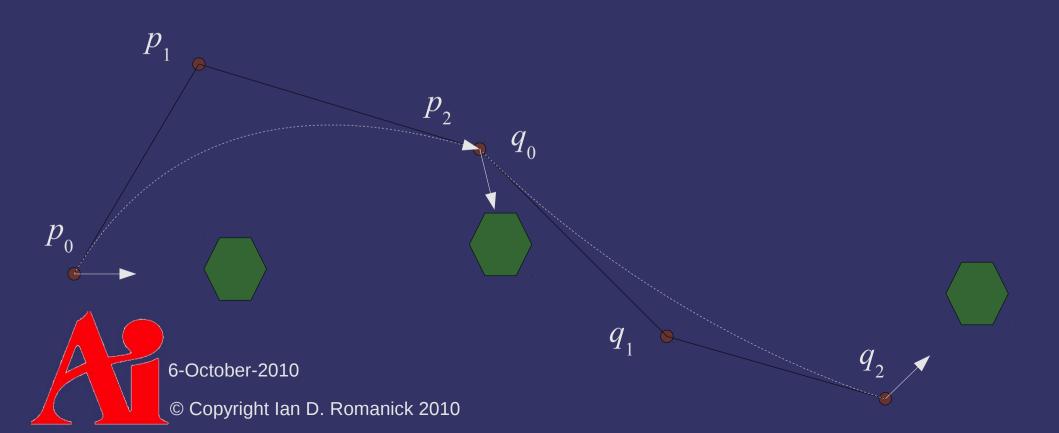
Piecewise Bézier Curves

- \diamond 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{p}_i , \mathbf{q}_i , \mathbf{r}_i , etc.
 - $\overline{\mathsf{Set}\,\mathbf{p}_n} = \overline{\mathbf{q}_0}$
 - This is called a joint



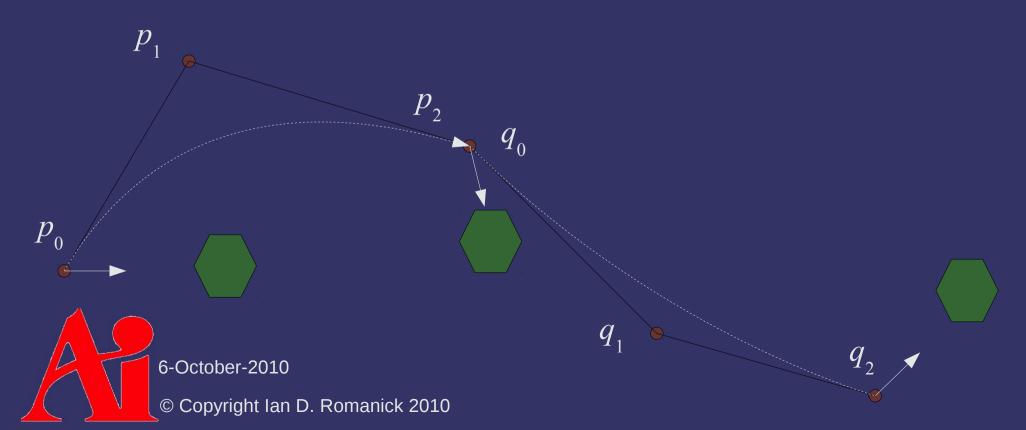


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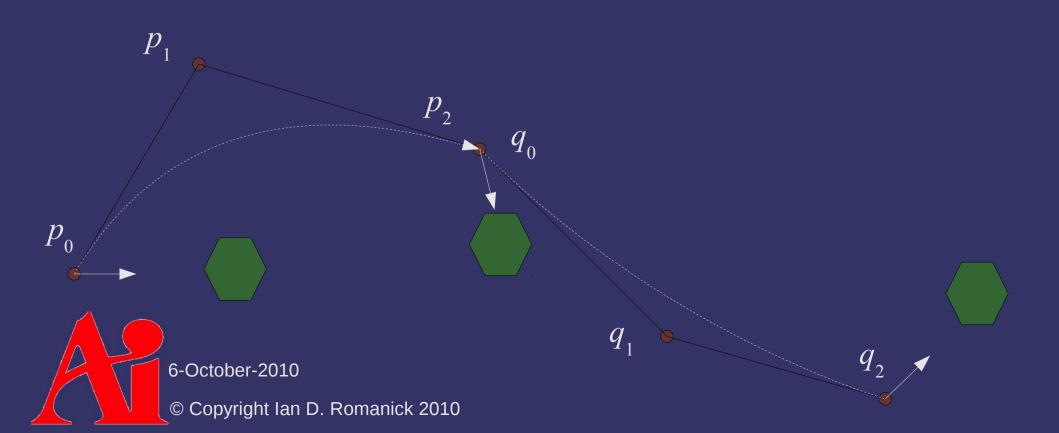


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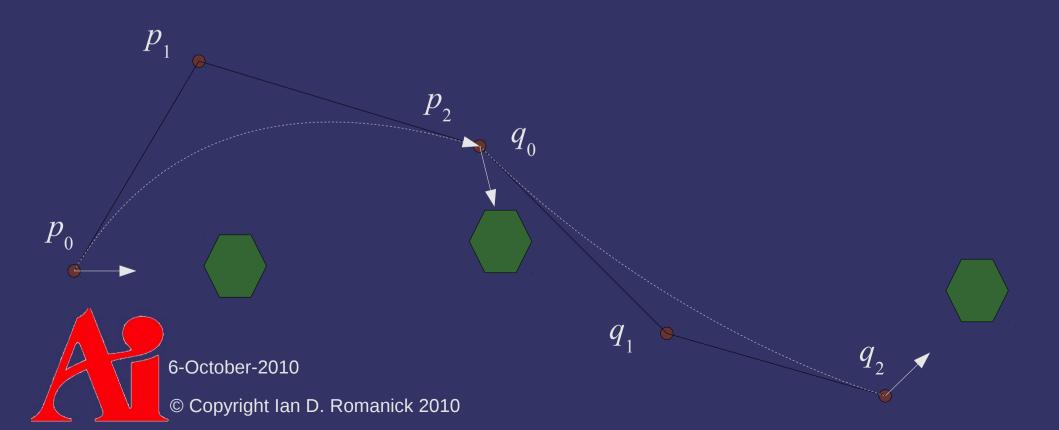
$$- \mathbf{p}'(1) = \mathbf{q}'(0)$$



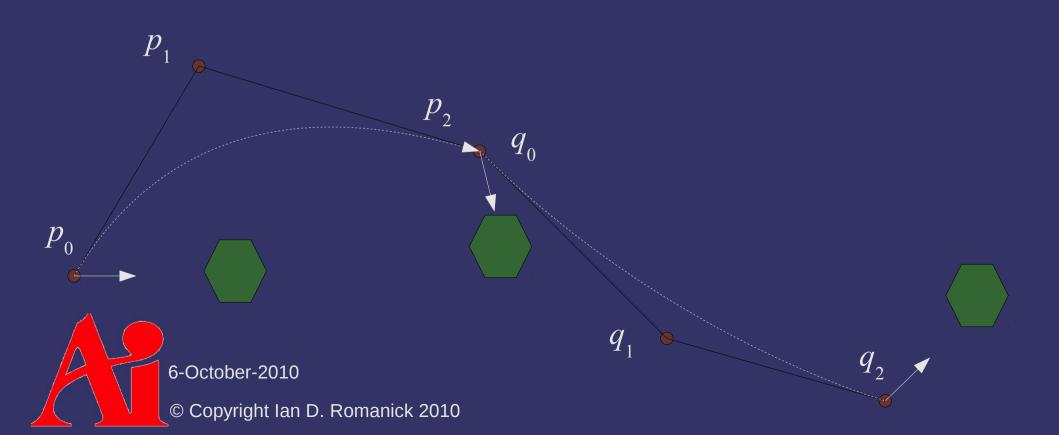
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 - The slope of a line *tangent* to \mathbf{f} at x

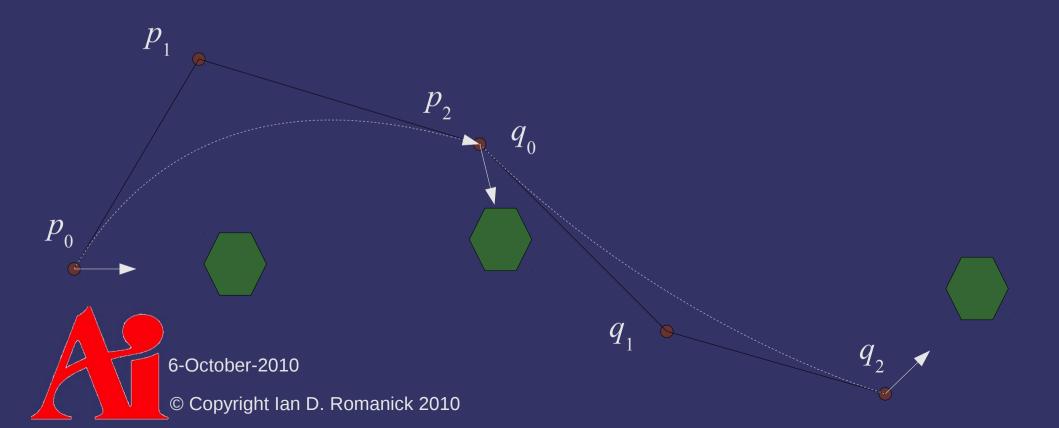


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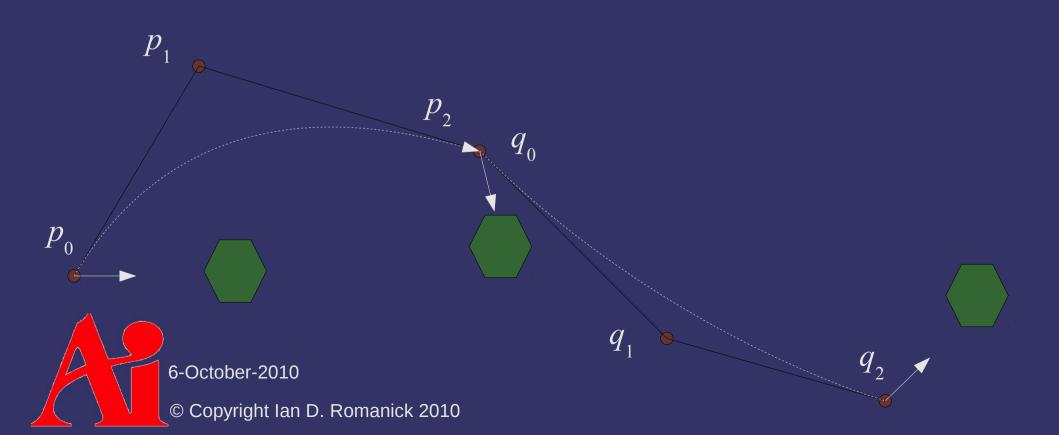


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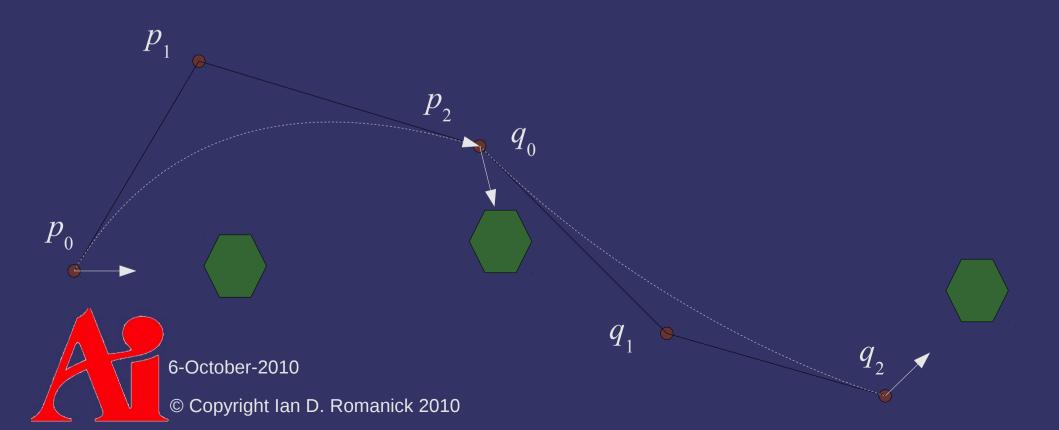
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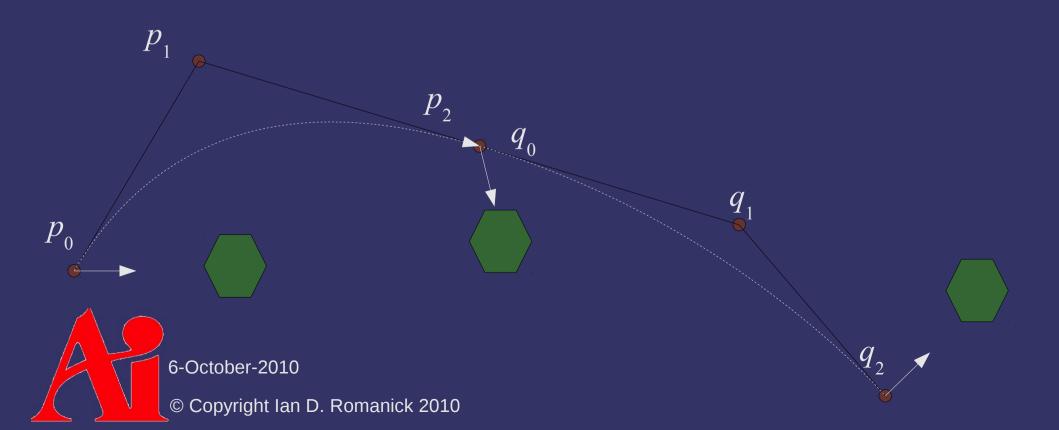
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 - This can dramatically change the curves



- 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 G¹ for geometrical continuity

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

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}_{0} , \mathbf{p}_{1} , \mathbf{p}_{1} , \mathbf{p}_{1} , 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

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

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:

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

$$\sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{j=0}^n B_i^m(u) B_j^n(v) = 1$$

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Derivative of a Bézier Patch

Similar to Bézier curves:

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

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

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 - The partial derivatives give two vectors that lie in that plane... just take the cross product!

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

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

Phong Shading Recap

```
attribute vec3 normal;
uniform mat3 normal xform;
uniform mat4 vertex xform;
uniform mat4 mvp;
varying vec3 normal es;
varying vec3 pos es;
void main(void)
    gl Position = mvp * gl Vertex;
    normal es = normal xform * normal;
    pos es = vertex xform * gl Vertex;
```

Phong Shading Recap

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uniform vec3 light pos es;
uniform vec4 diff color;
varying vec3 normal es;
varying vec3 pos es;
const vec3 eye es = vec3(0);
void main(void)
    vec3 l = normalize(light pos es - pos es);
    vec3 v = normalize(eye es - pos es);
    vec3 h = normalize(1 + v);
    float n dot l = dot(normal es, l);
    vec4 diff = diff color * n dot l;
    float spec = pow(dot(n, h), 16.0);
    gl FragColor = step(0.0, n dot 1) *
        vec4(diff.xyz + vec3(spec), 1.0);
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 - Assuming the surface is flat, $\mathbf{n}_{suf} = (0, 0, 1)$

- - 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...

- Create a new vector, and call it the *tangent*
 - Either partial derivative of a Bézier patch can be used for t
 - Usually $\partial \mathbf{p}/\partial u$ is used
 - Knowing \mathbf{n}_{suf} and \mathbf{t}_{suf} is enough to create an orthonormal basis
 - This basis can transform any vector to surface-space from object-space
 - n_{dj} 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, surfacespace Sometimes called tangent-space

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attribute vec3 normal;
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    vec3 tangent es = normal xform * tangent;
    vec3 normal es = normal xform * normal;
    vec3 bitangent es = cross(normal es, tangent es);
    mat3 tbn = mat3(tangent es, bitangent es, normal es);
    vec3 pos es = vec3(vertex xform * gl Vertex);
    vec3 light es = light pos es - pos es;
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    vec3 h = normalize(1 + v);
    float n dot l = l.z;
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- 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!

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

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

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

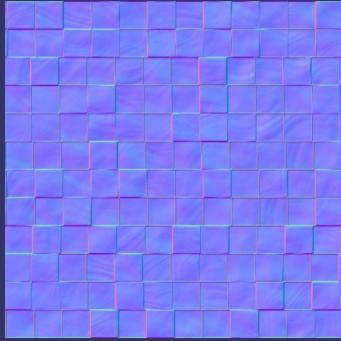


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- What is the range of colors in a texture?
 - [0.0, 1.0]
 - We have to convert these to the [-1, 1] range desired for normal directions
 - Just convert X and Y... Z must be > 0, so just leave it

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

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

- 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:

Michael Toksvig. "Mipmapping Normal Maps." http://developer.nvidia.com/object/mipmapping_normal_maps.html

Real-Time Rendering 3rd Edition, chapter 13.1 and 13.2.



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