Splines

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Administration

- A4 and PPA2 demos
 - Together on Monday
 - Please sign up
- 4621 lecture today
 - Particle Systems

Affine invariance

- Transforming the control points is the same as transforming the curve
 - true for all commonly used splines
 - extremely convenient in practice...
- Basis functions associated with points should always sum to I





Affine invariance

 Basis functions associated with points should always sum to I



$$\mathbf{p}(t) = b_0 \mathbf{p}_0 + b_1 \mathbf{p}_1 + b_2 \mathbf{v}_0 + b_3 \mathbf{v}_1$$

Transformed curve $= \mathbf{p}(t) + \mathbf{u}$

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Bézier matrix

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and that defines Bézier curves for any degree

Cubic B-spline matrix

$$\mathbf{f}_{i}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} t^{3} & t^{2} & t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{i-1} \\ \mathbf{p}_{i} \\ \mathbf{p}_{i+1} \\ \mathbf{p}_{i+2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{p}(t) = b_0 \mathbf{p}_0 + b_1 \mathbf{p}_1 + b_2 \mathbf{v}_0 + b_3 \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$\mathbf{p}'(t) = b_0 (\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{u}) + b_1 (\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{u}) + b_2 \mathbf{v}_0 + b_3 \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$= b_0 \mathbf{p}_0 + b_1 \mathbf{p}_1 + b_2 \mathbf{v}_0 + b_3 \mathbf{v}_1 + (b_0 + b_1) \mathbf{u}$$

$$= \mathbf{p}(t) + \mathbf{u}$$

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Hermite splines

• Matrix form is much simpler

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- coefficients = rows
- basis functions = columns

Hermite to Catmull-Rom

- Have not yet seen any interpolating splines
- Would like to define tangents automatically

use adjacent control points

- end tangents: extra points or zero

Hermite to Catmull-Rom

• Tangents are $(\mathbf{p}_{k+1} - \mathbf{p}_{k-1}) / 2$

- scaling based on same argument about collinear case $\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{q}_k$ $\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{q}_{k+1}$ $\mathbf{v}_0 = 0.5(\mathbf{q}_{k+1} - \mathbf{q}_{k-1})$ $\mathbf{v}_1 = 0.5(\mathbf{q}_{k+2} - \mathbf{q}_k)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -.5 & 0 & .5 & 0 \\ 0 & -.5 & 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{k-1} \\ \mathbf{q}_k \\ \mathbf{q}_{k+1} \\ \mathbf{q}_{k+2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{c} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -.5 & 1.5 & -1.5 & .5 \\ 1 & -2.5 & 2 & -.5 \\ -.5 & 0 & .5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{k-1} \\ \mathbf{q}_k \\ \mathbf{q}_{k+1} \\ \mathbf{q}_{k+2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Catmull-Rom basis





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Catmull-Rom splines

- Our first example of an interpolating spline
- Like Bézier, equivalent to Hermite
- First example of a spline based on just a control point sequence
- Does not have convex hull property

Converting spline representations

All the splines we have seen are equivalent

 all represented by geometry matrices

$$\mathbf{p}_S(t) = T(t)M_S P_S$$

- where S represents the type of spline
- therefore the control points may be transformed from one type to another using matrix multiplication

$$P_1 = M_1^{-1} M_2 P_2$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{1}(t) = T(t)M_{1}(M_{1}^{-1}M_{2}P_{2})$$
$$= T(t)M_{2}P_{2} = \mathbf{p}_{2}(t)$$

B-splines

- We may want more continuity than C¹
- We may not need an interpolating spline
- B-splines are a clean, flexible way of making long splines with arbitrary order of continuity

Cubic B-spline basis



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Deriving the B-Spline

- Approached from a different tack than Hermite-style constraints
 - Want a cubic spline; therefore 4 active control points
 - Want C² continuity
 - Turns out that is enough to determine everything

Efficient construction of any B-spline

- B-splines defined for all orders
 - order d: degree d I
 - order d: d points contribute to value
- One definition: Cox-deBoor recurrence

$$b_{1} = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \le u < 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$b_{d} = \frac{t}{d-1}b_{d-1}(t) + \frac{d-t}{d-1}b_{d-1}(t-1)$$

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B-spline construction, alternate view

- Recurrence

 ramp up/down
- Convolution
 - smoothing of basis fn
 - smoothing of curve



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B-spline

- All points are same, no special points
- Basis functions are the same over many segments

Uniform BSplines



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Other types of B-splines

- Nonuniform B-splines
 - discontinuities not evenly spaced
 - allows control over continuity or interpolation at certain points
 - e.g. interpolate endpoints (commonly used case)
- Nonuniform Rational B-splines (NURBS)
 - ratios of nonuniform B-splines: x(t) / w(t); y(t) / w(t)
 - key properties:
 - invariance under perspective as well as affine
 - ability to represent conic sections exactly