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These cubic curves are linear combinations of the four elements of the geometry vector. The curves can be transformed by transforming the geometry vector. The curves are invariant under affine transformations (scaling, rotation and translation).

B-Splines are G^2 continuous at the cost of loss of control. Control points can be replicated to force curve to pass through points:



Vertically aligned vertices constrain the curve to pass through one of them.

Coincident control vertices can also be used: e.g. $P_{i-2}=P_{i-1}=P_i$ resulting in: $Q(i)=B_3P_{i-3} + (B_2+B_1+B_0)P_i$ A straight line.

NUBS and NURBS

NUBS - Non-uniform non-rational B-Splines.

The parameter interval between successive knot values need not be uniform. The blending functions are no longer the same for each knot interval. Continuity can be reduced from C^2 to C^1 to C^0 to none. The curve can be made to interpolate a control point without introducing linear segments. Successive knot values can be equal, these coincident knots cause the curve segement to reduce to a point.

NURBS – Non-uniform Rational B-Splines. Rational cubic curve segments are ratios of polynomials:

$$x(t) = \frac{X(t)}{W(t)} \qquad y(t) = \frac{Y(t)}{W(t)} \qquad z(t) = \frac{Z(t)}{W(t)} \qquad Q(t) = [X(t) \quad Y(t) \quad Z(t) \quad W(t)]$$

Each of X(), Y(), Z(), W() are cubic polynomial curves defined in homogeneous coordinates. This is useful as they are invariant under perspective transformations as well as the affine transformations. Transformations need only be applied to control points only.



Parametric Bicubic Surfaces

As with curves only two parameters. Geometry vector now becomes functions of t: $Q(s,t)=S \cdot M \cdot G(t)=S \cdot M \cdot \begin{vmatrix} G_1(t) \\ G_2(t) \\ G_3(t) \\ G_4(t) \end{vmatrix}$ The $G_i(t)$ are themselves cubics. Each can be represented as

$$G_i(t)=T$$
 . M . g_i where $g_i = \begin{cases} g_{i1} \\ g_{i2} \\ g_{i3} \\ g_{i4} \end{cases}$

We want the g_i as a row vector so we can substitute into the equation for Q(s,t).

Since $(A.B.C)^{\top}=C^{\top}.B^{\top}.A^{\top}$

$$G_{i}(t) = g_{i}^{\top} \cdot M^{\top} \cdot T^{\top} = [g_{i1} \ g_{i2} \ g_{i3} \ g_{i4}] \cdot M^{\top} \cdot T^{\top}$$



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<u>Hermite Surfaces</u>

 $G_{i}(t) = g_{i}^{T} \cdot M^{T} \cdot T^{T} = [g_{i1} \quad g_{i2} \quad g_{i3} \quad g_{i4}] \cdot M^{T} \cdot T^{T}$

therefore Q(s,t)=S . M $\begin{array}{c} 9_{11} & 9_{12} & 9_{13} & 9_{14} \\ 9_{21} & 9_{22} & 9_{23} & 9_{24} \\ 9_{31} & 9_{32} & 9_{33} & 9_{34} \\ 9_{41} & 9_{42} & 9_{43} & 9_{44} \end{array}$. M^T . T^T

or Q(s,t)=S . M . G . M^{\top} . T^{\top} ($0 \le t \le 1$) ($0 \le s \le 1$)

thus an x,y,z point can be found for a given value of s and t.

If M is M_H then we have a Hermite surface:

e.g. $x(s,t) = S \cdot M_H$	$P_{1}(t)$ $P_{4}(t)$ $R_{1}(t)$ $R_{4}(t)$
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Polygonal Spout Adaptive Subdivision algorithm at work on the spout



Straightforward implementation
by Horner's Rule
e.g.
void x(double t)
{
 return t*(t*(t*ax+bx)+cx)+dx;
}

5 multiplies 3 additions

Repeated Evaluation of Cubic by Forward Differences

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Rewriting iteratively: f_{n+1} = f_n + \Delta f_n
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$$f(t) = at^3 + bt^2 + ct + c$$

$$\Delta f(t) = a(t+\delta)^3 + b(t+\delta)^2 + c(t+\delta) + d$$
$$- (at^3+bt^2+ct+d)$$

 $\Delta f(t) = 3at^{2}\delta + t(3a\delta^{2} + 2b\delta) + a\delta^{3} + b\delta^{2} + c\delta - -(1)$

So $\Delta f(t)$ is second degree. Applying forward differences again to reduce this further:

 $\Delta^{2}f(t) = \Delta(\Delta f(t)) = \Delta f(t+\delta) - \Delta f(t)$

applying by writing $(t+\delta)$ for t in (1) $\Delta f(t)$ or $(3at^2\delta+t(3a\delta^2+2b\delta)+a\delta^3+b\delta^2+c\delta)$

Yields $\Delta^2 f(t) = 6a\delta^2 t + 6a\delta^3 + 2b\delta^2 - (2)$

$$\Delta^{3}f(t) = \Delta(\Delta^{2}f(t)) = \Delta^{2}f(t+\delta) - \Delta^{2}f(t)$$

substituting $(t+\delta)$ for t in (2)

 $\Delta^3 f(t) = 6a\delta^3 - -(3)$



Forward)iffe	rences	I
By Definition : $\Delta f(t) = f(t+\delta) - f(t)$ rewriting: $f(t+\delta) = f(t) + \Delta f(t)$			Repeat following steps m times with n initially 0:-
$f_{n+1} = f_n + \Delta f_n$ In other words $t_n = n\delta$ and $f_n = f(t_n)$ f is evaluated at equal intervals of size δ .			$f_{n+1} = f_n + \Delta f_n$ $\Delta f_{n+1} = \Delta f_n + \Delta^2 f_n$ $\Delta^2 f_{n+1} = \Delta^2 f_n + \Delta^3 f_0$
At t=0	f_{0} Δf_{0} $\Delta^{2} f_{0}$ $\Delta^{3} f_{0}$	= d = $a\delta^3 + b\delta^2 + c\delta$ = $6a\delta^3 + 2b\delta^2$ = $6a\delta^3$	n=0 $f_{1} = f_{0} + \Delta f_{0}$ $\Delta f_{1} = \Delta f_{0} + \Delta^{2} f_{0}$ $\Delta^{2} f_{1} = \Delta^{2} f_{0} + \Delta^{3} f_{0}$
by definition: or	$\frac{\Delta^2 f(t)}{\Delta^2 f_n}$	$= \Delta f(t+\delta) - \Delta f(t)$ = $\Delta f_{n+1} - \Delta f_n$ = $\Delta f_n + \Delta^2 f_n$	n=1 $f_{2} = f_{1} + \Delta f_{1}$ $\Delta f_{2} = \Delta f_{1} + \Delta^{2} f_{1}$ $\Delta^{2} f_{2} = \Delta^{2} f_{1} + \Delta^{3} f_{0}$
sìmìlarly	Δ^3 f(t) Δ^2 f _{n+1}	$= \Delta^2 f(t+\delta) - \Delta^2 f(t)$ $= \Delta^2 f_n + \Delta^3 f_n$	Suppose we want 64 steps n=64 or δ =1/64 to = 0 δ = 0
and $\Delta^3 f_n$ is cor	istant		$t_1 = 1\delta = 1/64$ $t_2 = 2\delta = 2/64$ etc.
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Bezier Curve Segment

For Qx(t) = T Mb Gbx Cx = Mb Gbx $Gbx = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\1\\2 \end{bmatrix} Mb = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -3 & 1\\3 & -6 & 3 & 0\\-3 & 3 & 0 & 0\\1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Qx(t) = axt³+bxt²+cxt+dx ax = 2 bx = -3 cx = 3 dx = 0

we have: $Qx(t) = 2t^3 - 3t^2 + 3t$ taking 100 steps $\delta = 0.01$ At t=0 $f_0 = d = 0$ $\Delta f_0 = a\delta^3 + b\delta^2 + c\delta = 0.029702$ $\Delta^2 f_0 = 6a\delta^3 + 2b\delta^2 = -0.000588$ $\Delta^3 f_0 = 6a\delta^3 = 0.000012$



