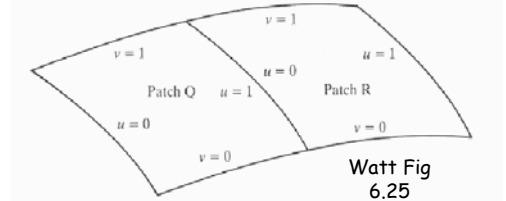


# CS155: Computer Graphics

Curves & Curved Surfaces  
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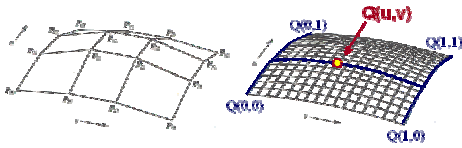
## Bezier Surfaces

Piece together smaller patches



## Bezier Patch

Tensor product of Bezier curves

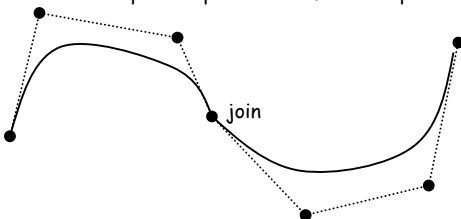


## Bezier Patch problems

- Boundary conditions are difficult to maintain
- Variable resolution results in cracks
- Patches are necessarily quadrilaterals

## Boundary conditions

$C^1$  &  $G^1$  ( $i>0$ ) continuity require precise placement of control points



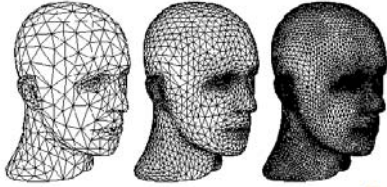
## Boundary conditions

- Boundary conditions are difficult to maintain
- Solution: Enforce boundary constraints for user

This is essentially what B-splines do!

# Subdivision Surfaces

Smooth surface is the limit of a subdivision process

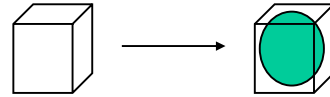


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# Subdivision



user manipulates a coarse control mesh to affect the subdivided surface

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# Surface Subdivision

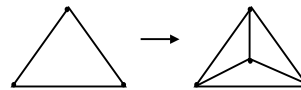
A smooth surface is computed by refining the control mesh using subdivision rules

1. Split face into multiple faces
2. Reposition vertices

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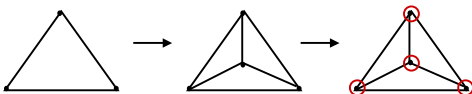
# Split Face



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# Reposition vertices



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# Split Face

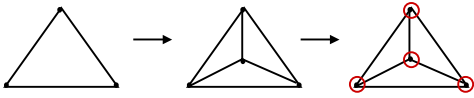
There are two approaches to splitting a face:

- Split vertices
- Split edges

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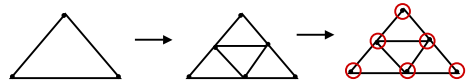
## Split vertices



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## Split Edges



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## Reposition vertices

- There are a variety of rules for repositioning vertices.
- This is tricky. Subdivision process must converge to a smooth surface!
- Rules typically "average" old vertex positions.
- Problem: it's hard to create creases in subdivision surfaces.

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## Geri's Game

see movie!

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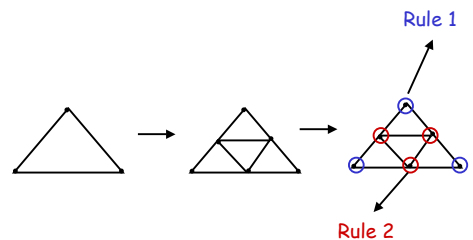
## Loop algorithm

- Triangle mesh subdivision
- Edge splits

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## Loop Algorithm



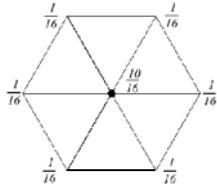
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## Loop Subdivision

Rule 1: Existing vertex

Case: Internal, valence 6



Note: Weights are applied to vertex positions in the old mesh.

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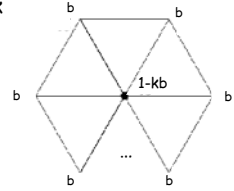
## Loop Subdivision

Rule 1: Existing Vertex

Case: Internal, valence  $k$

$$K > 3: b = 3/8k$$

$$K = 3: b = 3/16$$



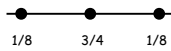
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## Loop Subdivision

Rule 1: Existing vertex

Case: Boundary



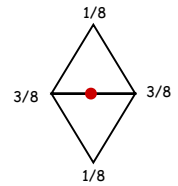
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## Loop Subdivision

Rule 2: New vertex

Case: Internal



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## Loop Subdivision

Rule 2: New vertex

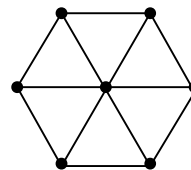
Case: Boundary



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## Exercise 1

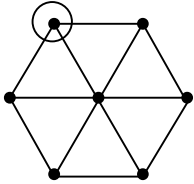


Use the Loop algorithm to split the faces of this triangle mesh.

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## Exercise 2

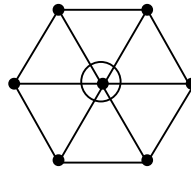


Your subdivided mesh should have a vertex corresponding to the one circled. Show how the position of this new vertex is calculated.

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## Exercise 3

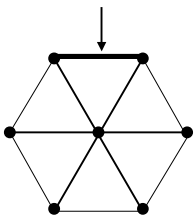


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## Exercise 4

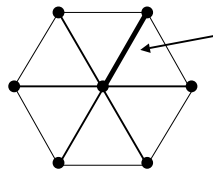


Your subdivided mesh should have a vertex corresponding to the edge indicated. Show how the position of this new vertex is calculated.

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## Exercise 5



Your subdivided mesh should have a vertex corresponding to the edge indicated. Show how the position of this new vertex is calculated.

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## Bezier: Boundary conditions

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- Solution: Enforce boundary constraints for user

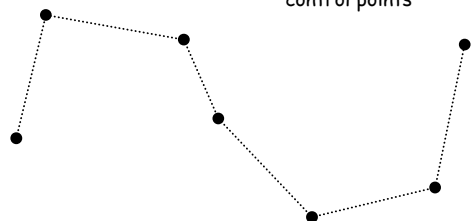
**This is essentially what B-splines do!**

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## B-Splines

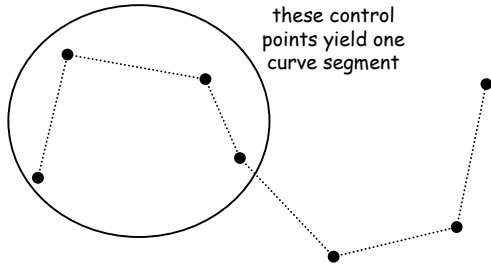
curve described by control points



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## B-Splines

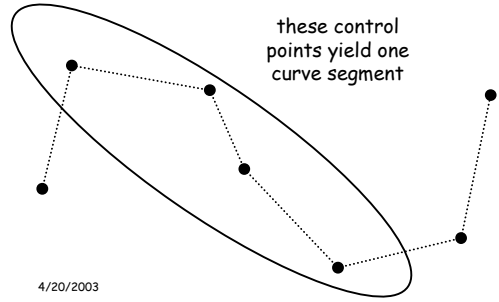


these control points yield one curve segment

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## B-Splines

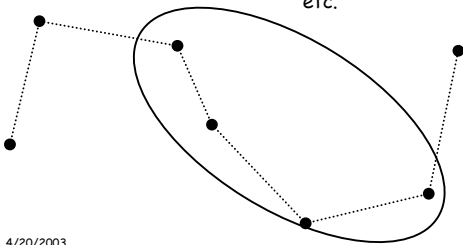


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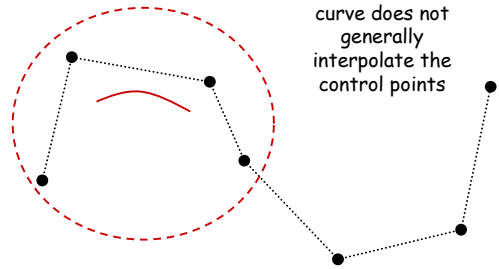


etc.

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## B-Splines

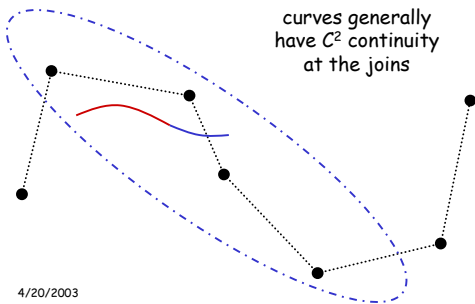


curve does not generally interpolate the control points

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## B-Splines



curves generally have  $C^2$  continuity at the joins

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## B-Spline

- Uniform
- Non-uniform

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## Basis Matrix: $X_i(t)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = (1/6) \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_{i+1} \\ X_{i+2} \\ X_{i+3} \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Basis Functions: $X_i(t)$

$$X(t) = [t^3 \ t^2 \ t \ 1]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_{i+1} \\ X_{i+2} \\ X_{i+3} \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Basis Functions

- $B_0(t) = (-t^3+3t^2-3t+1)/6=(1-t)^3/6$
- $B_1(t) = (3t^3-6t^2+4)/6$
- $B_2(t) = (-3t^3+3t^2+3t+1)/6$
- $B_3(t) = t^3/6$

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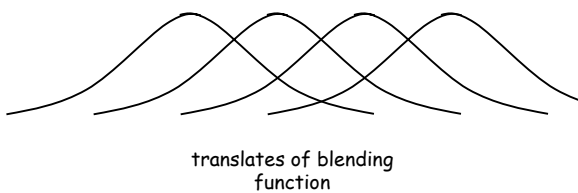
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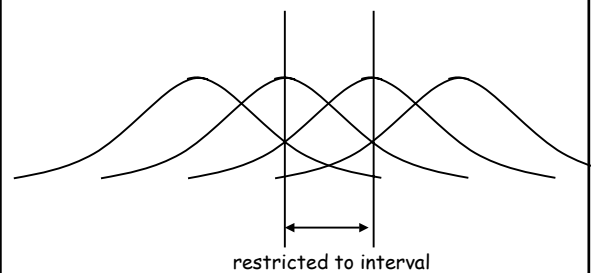
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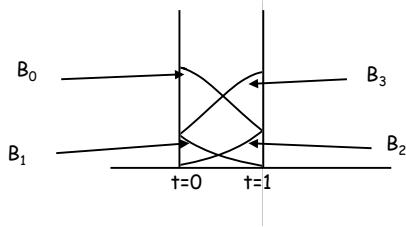
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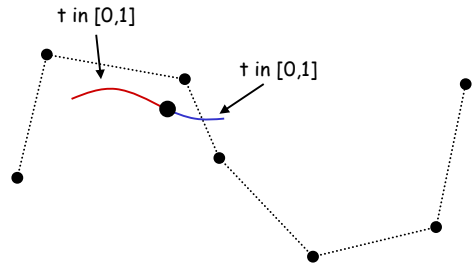
## Basis Functions



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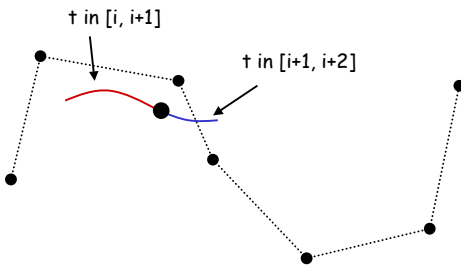
## Local Parameterization



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## Global Parameterization



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## Uniform B-Spline

Knots:  $[0, 1, 2, \dots, n]$

Parametric intervals of the curve segments are

$[0,1], [1,2], \dots, [n-1,n]$

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## non-Uniform B-Spline

Knots:  $[t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n], t_0 \leq t_1 \leq \dots \leq t_n$

Parametric intervals of the curve segments are

$[t_0, t_1], [t_1, t_2], \dots, [t_{n-1}, t_n]$

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## non-Uniform B-Spline

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