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## Compositing, Clipping, Curves

Week 3, Thu May 26

<http://www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs314/Vmay2005>

## News

- extra lab coverage: Mon 12-2, Wed 2-4
- P2 demo slot signup sheet
- handing back H1 today
- we'll try to get H2 back tomorrow
  - we will put them in bin in lab, next to extra handouts
  - solutions will be posted
- you don't have to tell us you're using grace days
  - only if you're turning it in late and you do \*not\* want to use up grace days
  - grace days are integer quantities

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## Homework 1 Common Mistakes

- Q4, Q5: too vague
  - don't just say "rotate 90", say around which axis, and in which direction (CCW vs CW)
  - be clear on whether actions are in old coordinate frame or new coordinate frame
- Q8: confusion on push/pop and complex operations
  - wrong: object drawn in wrong spot!
 

```
glPushMatrix();
glTranslate(.a.);
glRotate(.);
draw things
glPopMatrix();
```
  - correct: object drawn in right spot
 

```
glPushMatrix();
glTranslate(.a.);
glRotate(.);
glTranslate(-.a.);
draw things
glPopMatrix();
```
  - both: nice modular function that doesn't change modelview matrix

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## Schedule Change

- HW 3 out Thu 6/2, due Wed 6/8 4pm

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## Poll

- which do you prefer?
  - P4 due Fri, final Sat
  - final Thu in-class, P4 due Sat

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## Midterm Logistics

- Tuesday 12-12:50
  - sit spread out: every other row, at least three seats between you and next person
  - you can have one 8.5x11" handwritten one-sided sheet of paper
    - keep it, can write on other side too for final
  - calculators ok

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## Midterm Topics

- H1, P1, H2, P2
- first three lectures
- topics
  - Intro, Math Review, OpenGL
  - Transformations I/II/III
  - Viewing, Projections I/II

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## Reading: Today

- FCG Chapter 11
  - pp 209-214 only: clipping
- FCG Chap 13
- RB Chap Blending, Antialiasing, ...
  - only Section Blending

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## Reading: Next Time

- FCG Chapter 7

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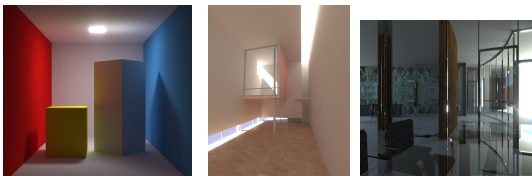
## Errata

- p 214
  - $f(p) > 0$  is "outside" the plane
- p 234
  - For quadratic Bezier curves,  $N=3$
  - $w_i^N(t) = \frac{(N-1)!}{(i!(N-i-1)!)} \dots$

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## Review: Illumination

- transport of energy from light sources to surfaces & points
  - includes *direct* and *indirect illumination*

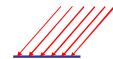


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## Review: Light Sources

- directional/parallel lights
  - point at infinity:  $(x,y,z,0)^T$
- point lights
  - finite position:  $(x,y,z,1)^T$
- spotlights
  - position, direction, angle
- ambient lights



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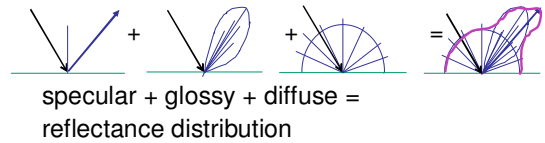
### Review: Light Source Placement

- geometry: positions and directions
- standard: world coordinate system
  - effect: lights fixed wrt world geometry
- alternative: camera coordinate system
  - effect: lights attached to camera (car headlights)

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### Review: Reflectance

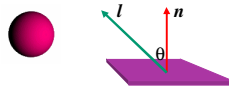
- *specular*: perfect mirror with no scattering
- *gloss*: mixed, partial specularity
- *diffuse*: all directions with equal energy



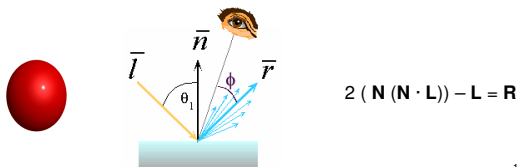
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### Review: Reflection Equations

$$I_{\text{diffuse}} = k_d I_{\text{light}} (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l})$$



$$I_{\text{specular}} = k_s I_{\text{light}} (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{r})^{n_{\text{shiny}}}$$



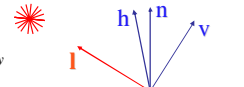
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### Review: Reflection Equations 2

- Blinn improvement

$$I_{\text{specular}} = k_s I_{\text{light}} (\mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{n})^{n_{\text{shiny}}}$$

$$\mathbf{h} = (\mathbf{l} + \mathbf{v}) / 2$$



- full Phong lighting model

- combine ambient, diffuse, specular components

$$I_{\text{total}} = k_s I_{\text{ambient}} + \sum_{i=1}^{\# \text{lights}} I_i (k_d (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l}_i) + k_s (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{r}_i)^{n_{\text{shiny}}})$$

- don't forget to normalize all vectors: n, l, r, v, h

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### Review: Lighting

- lighting models
- ambient
  - normals don't matter
- Lambert/diffuse
  - angle between surface normal and light
- Phong/specular
  - surface normal, light, and viewpoint

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### Review: Shading Models

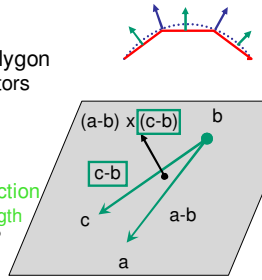
- flat shading
  - compute Phong lighting once for entire polygon
- Gouraud shading
  - compute Phong lighting at the vertices and interpolate lighting values across polygon
- Phong shading
  - compute averaged vertex normals
  - interpolate normals across polygon and perform Phong lighting across polygon



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## Correction/Review: Computing Normals

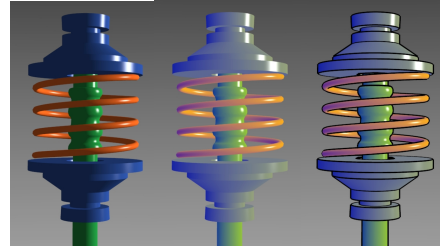
- per-vertex normals by interpolating per-facet normals
  - OpenGL supports both
- computing normal for a polygon
  - three points form two vectors
    - pick a point
    - vectors from
      - A: point to previous
      - B: point to next
  - $A \times B$ : normal of plane direction
    - normalize: make unit length
  - which side of plane is up?
    - counterclockwise point order convention



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## Review: Non-Photorealistic Shading

- cool-to-warm shading  $k_w = \frac{1+n \cdot 1}{2}, c = k_w c_w + (1-k_w)c_c$
- draw silhouettes: if  $(e \cdot n_0)(e \cdot n_1) \leq 0$   $e$ =edge-eye vector
- draw creases: if  $(n_0 \cdot n_1) \leq \text{threshold}$



<http://www.cs.utah.edu/~gouch/SIG98/paper/drawing.html>

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## End of Class Last Time

- use version control for your projects!
  - CVS, RCS
- partially work through problem with lighting

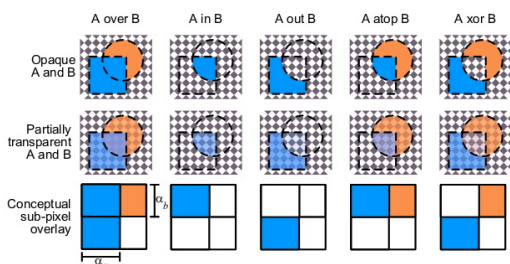
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## Compositing

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## Compositing

- how might you combine multiple elements?
- foreground color **A**, background color **B**



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## Premultiplying Colors

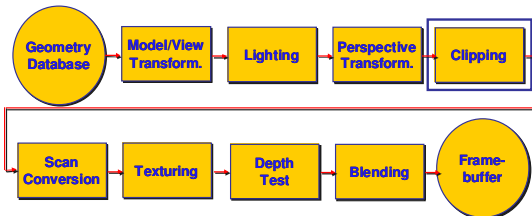
- specify opacity with alpha channel:  $(r, g, b, \alpha)$ 
  - $\alpha=1$ : opaque,  $\alpha=.5$ : translucent,  $\alpha=0$ : transparent
- A over B**
  - $C = \alpha A + (1-\alpha)B$
- but what if **B** is also partially transparent?
  - $C = \alpha A + (1-\alpha) \beta B = \beta B + \alpha A + \beta B - \alpha \beta B$
  - $\gamma = \beta + (1-\beta)\alpha = \beta + \alpha - \alpha\beta$ 
    - 3 multiplies, different equations for alpha vs. RGB
- premultiplying by alpha
  - $C' = \gamma C, B' = \beta B, A' = \alpha A$
  - $C' = B' + A' - \alpha B'$
  - $\gamma = \beta + \alpha - \alpha\beta$ 
    - 1 multiply to find C, same equations for alpha and RGB

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## Clipping

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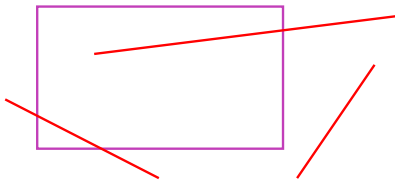
## Rendering Pipeline



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## Next Topic: Clipping

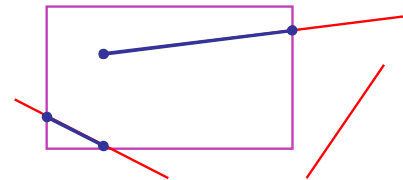
- we've been assuming that all primitives (lines, triangles, polygons) lie entirely within the *viewport*
  - in general, this assumption will not hold:



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## Clipping

- analytically calculating the portions of primitives within the viewport



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## Why Clip?

- bad idea to rasterize outside of framebuffer bounds
- also, don't waste time scan converting pixels outside window
  - could be billions of pixels for very close objects!

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## Line Clipping

- 2D
  - determine portion of line inside an axis-aligned rectangle (screen or window)
- 3D
  - determine portion of line inside axis-aligned parallelepiped (viewing frustum in NDC)
  - simple extension to 2D algorithms

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### Clipping

- naïve approach to clipping lines:
  - for each line segment
  - for each edge of viewport
  - find intersection point
  - pick "nearest" point
  - if anything is left, draw it
- what do we mean by "nearest"?
- how can we optimize this?

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### Trivial Accepts

- big optimization: trivial accept/rejects
  - Q: how can we quickly determine whether a line segment is entirely inside the viewport?
  - A: test both endpoints

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### Trivial Rejects

- Q: how can we know a line is outside viewport?
- A: if both endpoints on wrong side of same edge, can trivially reject line

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### Clipping Lines To Viewport

- combining trivial accepts/rejects
  - trivially accept lines with both endpoints inside all edges of the viewport
  - trivially reject lines with both endpoints outside the same edge of the viewport
  - otherwise, reduce to trivial cases by splitting into two segments

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### Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

- outcodes
  - 4 flags encoding position of a point relative to top, bottom, left, and right boundary

1010	1000	1001	
0010	0000	0001	$y=y_{max}$
0110	0100	0101	$y=y_{min}$
	$x=x_{min}$	$x=x_{max}$	

- $OC(p1)=0010$
- $OC(p2)=0000$
- $OC(p3)=1001$

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### Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

- assign outcode to each vertex of line to test
  - line segment:  $(p1,p2)$
- trivial cases
  - $OC(p1)=0 \ \&\& \ OC(p2)=0$ 
    - both points inside window, thus line segment completely visible (trivial accept)
  - $(OC(p1) \ \& \ OC(p2)) \neq 0$ 
    - there is (at least) one boundary for which both points are outside (same flag set in both outcodes)
    - thus line segment completely outside window (trivial reject)

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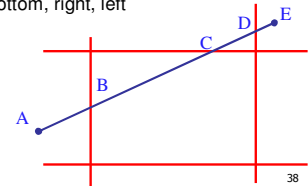
### Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

- if line cannot be trivially accepted or rejected, subdivide so that one or both segments can be discarded
- pick an edge that the line crosses (*how?*)
- intersect line with edge (*how?*)
- discard portion on wrong side of edge and assign outcode to new vertex
- apply trivial accept/reject tests; repeat if necessary

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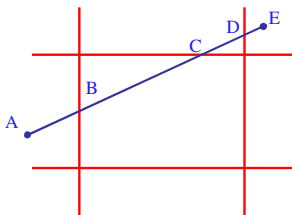
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  - check against edges in same order each time
    - for example: top, bottom, right, left



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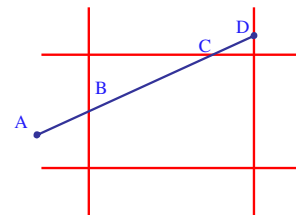
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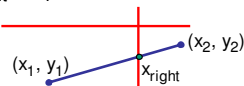


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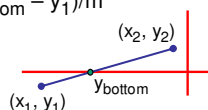
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### Viewport Intersection Code

- $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  intersect vertical edge at  $x_{\text{right}}$ 
  - $y_{\text{intersect}} = y_1 + m(x_{\text{right}} - x_1)$
  - $m = (y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1)$



- $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  intersect horiz edge at  $y_{\text{bottom}}$ 
  - $x_{\text{intersect}} = x_1 + (y_{\text{bottom}} - y_1) / m$
  - $m = (y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1)$



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### Cohen-Sutherland Discussion

- use opcodes to quickly eliminate/include lines
  - best algorithm when trivial accepts/rejects are common
- must compute viewport clipping of remaining lines
  - non-trivial clipping cost
  - redundant clipping of some lines
- more efficient algorithms exist

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### Line Clipping in 3D

- approach
  - clip against parallelepiped in NDC
    - after perspective transform
  - means that clipping volume always the same
    - $x_{min}=y_{min}=-1, x_{max}=y_{max}=1$  in OpenGL
  - boundary lines become boundary planes
    - but outcodes still work the same way
    - additional front and back clipping plane
      - $z_{min} = -1, z_{max} = 1$  in OpenGL

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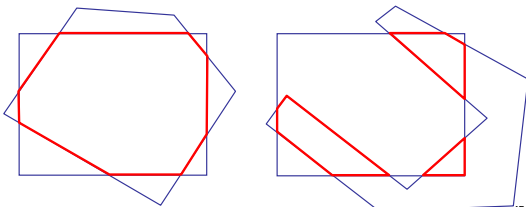
### Polygon Clipping

- objective
  - 2D: clip polygon against rectangular window
    - or general convex polygons
    - extensions for non-convex or general polygons
  - 3D: clip polygon against parallelepiped

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### Polygon Clipping

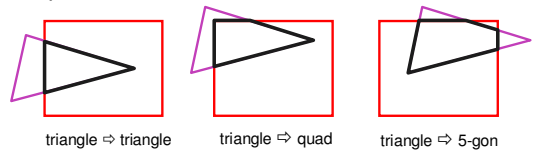
- not just clipping all boundary lines
  - may have to introduce new line segments



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### Why Is Clipping Hard?

- what happens to a triangle during clipping?
- possible outcomes:



triangle  $\Rightarrow$  triangle

triangle  $\Rightarrow$  quad

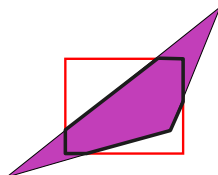
triangle  $\Rightarrow$  5-gon

- how many sides can a clipped triangle have?

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### How Many Sides?

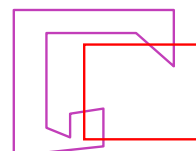
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### Why Is Clipping Hard?

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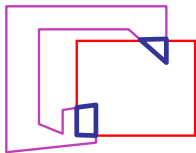


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### Why Is Clipping Hard?

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concave polygon  $\Rightarrow$  multiple polygons

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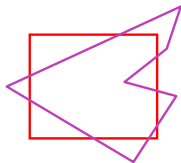
- classes of polygons
  - triangles
  - convex
  - concave
  - holes and self-intersection



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### Sutherland-Hodgeman Clipping

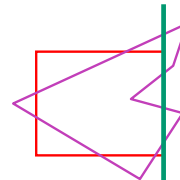
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  - consider each edge of the viewport individually
  - clip the polygon against the edge equation
  - after doing all edges, the polygon is fully clipped



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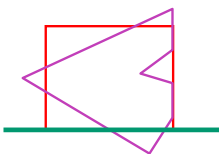
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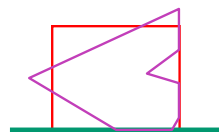
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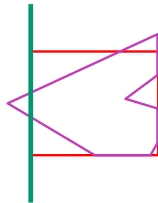
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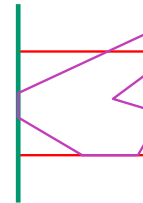
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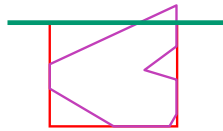
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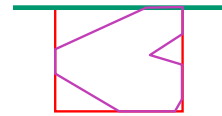
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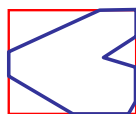
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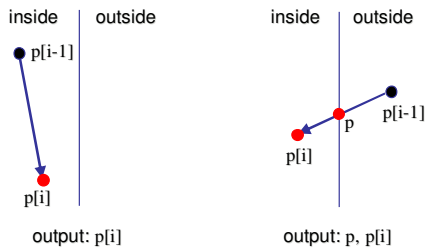
### Sutherland-Hodgeman Algorithm

- input/output for algorithm
  - input: list of polygon vertices in order
  - output: list of clipped polygon vertices consisting of old vertices (maybe) and new vertices (maybe)
- basic routine
  - go around polygon one vertex at a time
  - decide what to do based on 4 possibilities
    - is vertex inside or outside?
    - is previous vertex inside or outside?

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### Clipping Against One Edge

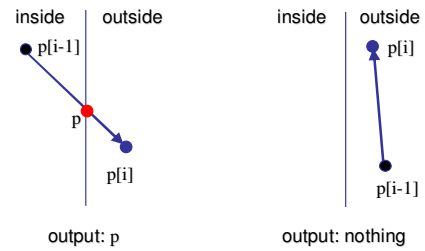
- $p[i]$  inside: 2 cases



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### Clipping Against One Edge

- $p[i]$  outside: 2 cases



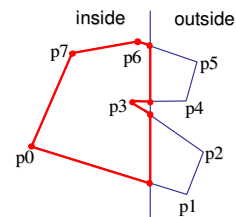
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### Clipping Against One Edge

```
clipPolygonToEdge( p[n], edge ) {
  for( i= 0 ; i< n ; i++ ) {
    if( p[i] inside edge ) {
      if( p[i-1] inside edge ) output p[i]; // p[-1]= p[n-1]
      else {
        p= intersect( p[i-1], p[i], edge ); output p, p[i];
      }
    } else { // p[i] is outside edge
      if( p[i-1] inside edge ) {
        p= intersect(p[i-1], p[i], edge ); output p;
      }
    }
  }
}
```

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### Sutherland-Hodgeman Example



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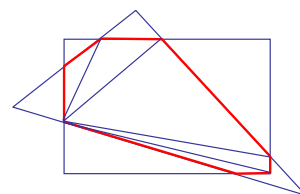
### Sutherland-Hodgeman Discussion

- similar to Cohen/Sutherland line clipping
  - inside/outside tests: outcodes
  - intersection of line segment with edge: window-edge coordinates
- clipping against individual edges independent
  - great for hardware (pipelining)
  - all vertices required in memory at same time
    - not so good, but unavoidable
    - another reason for using triangles only in hardware rendering

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### Sutherland/Hodgeman Discussion

- for rendering pipeline:
  - re-triangulate resulting polygon (can be done for every individual clipping edge)



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## Curves

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## Parametric Curves

- parametric form for a line:

$$x = x_0t + (1-t)x_1$$

$$y = y_0t + (1-t)y_1$$

$$z = z_0t + (1-t)z_1$$

- x, y and z are each given by an equation that involves:
  - parameter  $t$
  - some user specified control points,  $x_0$  and  $x_1$
- this is an example of a parametric curve

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## Splines

- a *spline* is a parametric curve defined by *control points*
  - term "spline" dates from engineering drawing, where a spline was a piece of flexible wood used to draw smooth curves
  - control points are *adjusted by the user* to control shape of curve

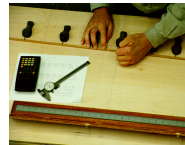
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## Splines - History

- draftsman used 'ducks' and strips of wood (splines) to draw curves
- wood splines have second-order continuity, pass through the control points



a duck (weight)



ducks trace out curve

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## Hermite Spline

- hermite spline* is curve for which user provides:
  - endpoints of curve
  - parametric derivatives of curve at endpoints
    - parametric derivatives are  $dx/dt, dy/dt, dz/dt$
  - more derivatives would be required for higher order curves

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## Hermite Cubic Splines

- example of knot and continuity constraints



*Hermite Specification*

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### Hermite Spline (2)

- say user provides  $x_0, x_1, x'_0, x'_1$
- cubic spline has degree 3, is of the form:
 
$$x = at^3 + bt^2 + ct + d$$
  - for some constants a, b, c and d derived from the control points, but how?
- we have constraints:
  - curve must pass through  $x_0$  when  $t=0$
  - derivative must be  $x'_0$  when  $t=0$
  - curve must pass through  $x_1$  when  $t=1$
  - derivative must be  $x'_1$  when  $t=1$

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### Hermite Spline (3)

- solving for the unknowns gives

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -2x_1 + 2x_0 + x'_1 + x'_0 \\ b &= 3x_1 - 3x_0 - x'_1 - 2x'_0 \\ c &= x'_0 \\ d &= x_0 \end{aligned}$$

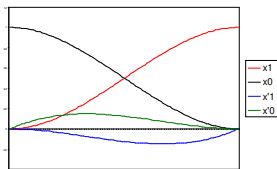
- rearranging gives

$$x = x_1(-2t^3 + 3t^2) + x_0(2t^3 - 3t^2 + 1) + x'_1(t^3 - t^2) + x'_0(t^3 - 2t^2 + t) \quad \text{or} \quad x = [x_1 \ x_0 \ x'_1 \ x'_0] \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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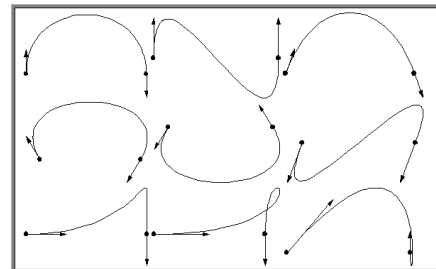
### Basis Functions

- a point on a Hermite curve is obtained by multiplying each control point by some function and summing
- functions are called *basis functions*



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### Sample Hermite Curves



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### Splines in 2D and 3D

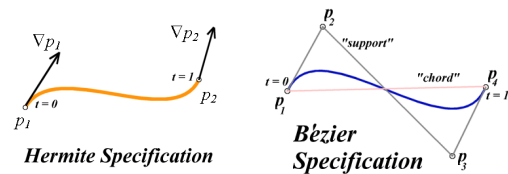
- so far, defined only 1D splines:
 
$$x = f(t; x_0, x_1, x'_0, x'_1)$$
- for higher dimensions, define control points in higher dimensions (that is, as vectors)

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_0 & x'_1 & x'_0 \\ y_1 & y_0 & y'_1 & y'_0 \\ z_1 & z_0 & z'_1 & z'_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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### Bézier Curves

- similar to Hermite, but more intuitive definition of endpoint derivatives
- four control points, two of which are knots



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## Bézier Curves

- derivative values of Bezier curve at knots dependent on adjacent points

$$\nabla p_1 = 3(p_2 - p_1)$$

$$\nabla p_4 = 3(p_4 - p_3)$$

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## Bézier vs. Hermite

- can write Bezier in terms of Hermite
- note: just matrix form of previous

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \\ \frac{dx_1}{dt} & \frac{dy_1}{dt} \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} & \frac{dy_2}{dt} \end{bmatrix}}_{G_{Hermite}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 \\ x_4 & y_4 \end{bmatrix}}_{G_{Bezier}}$$

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## Bézier vs. Hermite

- Now substitute this in for previous Hermite

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} a_x & a_y \\ b_x & b_y \\ c_x & c_y \\ d_x & d_y \end{bmatrix}}_{M_{Hermite}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}_{G_{Bezier}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 \\ x_4 & y_4 \end{bmatrix}}_{G_{Bezier}}$$

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## Bézier Basis, Geometry Matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_x & a_y \\ b_x & b_y \\ c_x & c_y \\ d_x & d_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \\ x_3 & y_3 \\ x_4 & y_4 \end{bmatrix}}_{G_{Bezier}}$$

- but why is  $M_{Bezier}$  a good basis matrix?

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## Bézier Blending Functions

- look at blending functions

- family of polynomials called order-3 Bernstein polynomials

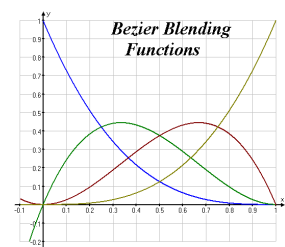
- $C(3, k) t^k (1-t)^{3-k}$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq 3$
- all positive in interval  $[0, 1]$
- sum is equal to 1

$$p(t) = \begin{bmatrix} (1-t)^3 \\ 3t(1-t)^2 \\ 3t^2(1-t) \\ t^3 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Bézier Blending Functions

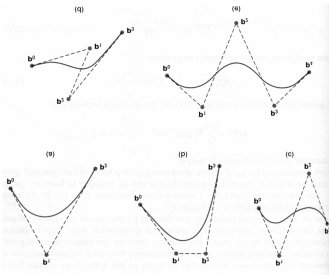
- every point on curve is linear combination of control points
- weights of combination are all positive
- sum of weights is 1
- therefore, curve is a convex combination of the control points



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### Bézier Curves

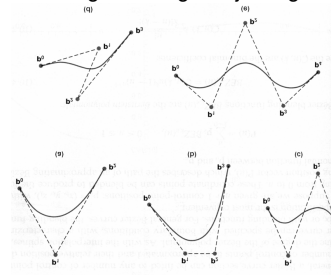
- curve will always remain within convex hull (bounding region) defined by control points



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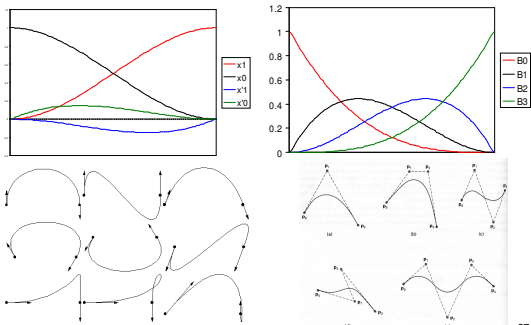
### Bézier Curves

- interpolate between first, last control points
- 1<sup>st</sup> point's tangent along line joining 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> pts
- 4<sup>th</sup> point's tangent along line joining 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> pts



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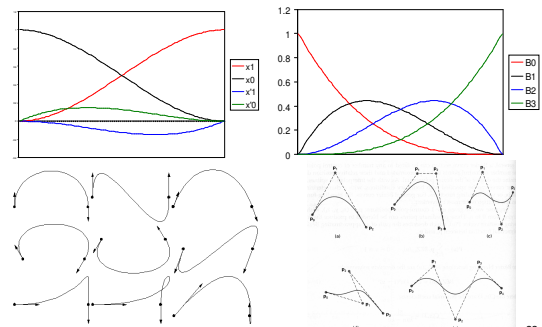
### Comparing Hermite and Bézier



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### Comparing Hermite and Bezier

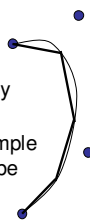
demo: [www.siggraph.org/education/materials/HyperGraph/modeling/splines/demoprogram/curve.html](http://www.siggraph.org/education/materials/HyperGraph/modeling/splines/demoprogram/curve.html)



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### Rendering Bezier Curves: Simple

- evaluate curve at fixed set of parameter values, join points with straight lines
- advantage: very simple
- disadvantages:
  - expensive to evaluate the curve at many points
  - no easy way of knowing how fine to sample points, and maybe sampling rate must be different along curve
  - no easy way to adapt: hard to measure deviation of line segment from exact curve



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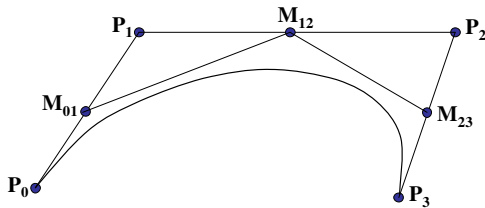
### Rendering Beziers: Subdivision

- a cubic Bezier curve can be broken into two shorter cubic Bezier curves that exactly cover original curve
- suggests a rendering algorithm:
  - keep breaking curve into sub-curves
  - stop when control points of each sub-curve are nearly collinear
  - draw the control polygon: polygon formed by control points

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### Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

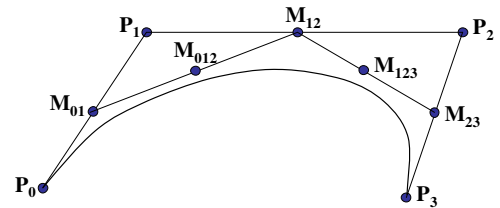
- step 1: find the midpoints of the lines joining the original control vertices. call them  $M_{01}$ ,  $M_{12}$ ,  $M_{23}$



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### Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

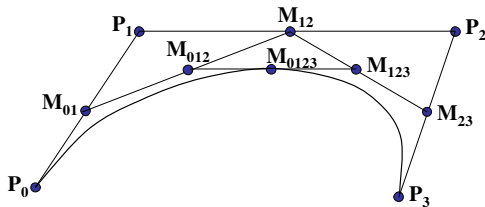
- step 2: find the midpoints of the lines joining  $M_{01}$ ,  $M_{12}$  and  $M_{12}$ ,  $M_{23}$ . call them  $M_{012}$ ,  $M_{123}$



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### Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

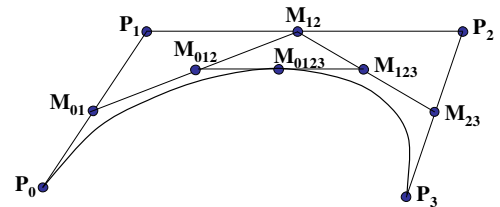
- step 3: find the midpoint of the line joining  $M_{012}$ ,  $M_{123}$ . call it  $M_{0123}$



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### Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

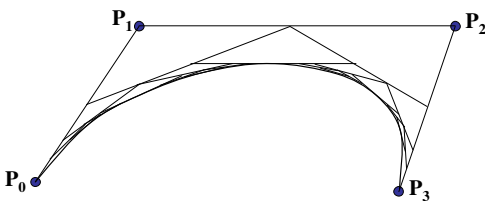
- curve  $P_0, M_{01}, M_{012}, M_{0123}$  exactly follows original from  $t=0$  to  $t=0.5$
- curve  $M_{0123}, M_{123}, M_{23}, P_3$  exactly follows original from  $t=0.5$  to  $t=1$



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### Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

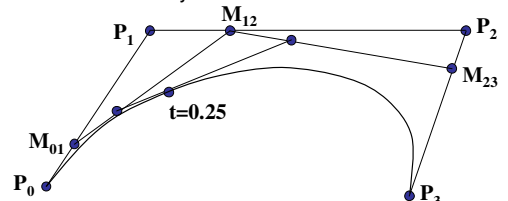
- continue process to create smooth curve



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### de Casteljau's Algorithm

- can find the point on a Bezier curve for any parameter value  $t$  with similar algorithm
  - for  $t=0.25$ , instead of taking midpoints take points 0.25 of the way



demo: [www.saltire.com/applets/advanced\\_geometry/spline/spline.htm](http://www.saltire.com/applets/advanced_geometry/spline/spline.htm)

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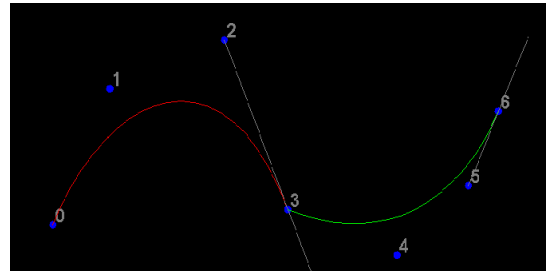


## Longer Curves

- a single cubic Bezier or Hermite curve can only capture a small class of curves
  - at most 2 inflection points
- one solution is to raise the degree
  - allows more control, at the expense of more control points and higher degree polynomials
  - control is not local, one control point influences entire curve
- better solution is to join pieces of cubic curve together into piecewise cubic curves
  - total curve can be broken into pieces, each of which is cubic
  - local control: each control point only influences a limited part of the curve
  - interaction and design is much easier

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## Piecewise Bezier: Continuity Problems

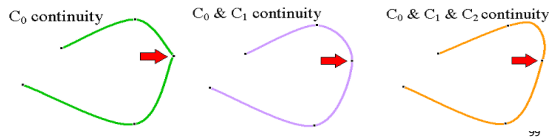


demo: [www.cs.princeton.edu/~min/cs426/jar/bezier.html](http://www.cs.princeton.edu/~min/cs426/jar/bezier.html)

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## Continuity

- when two curves joined, typically want some degree of continuity across knot boundary
  - C0, "C-zero", point-wise continuous, curves share same point where they join
  - C1, "C-one", continuous derivatives
  - C2, "C-two", continuous second derivatives



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## Geometric Continuity

- derivative continuity is important for animation
  - if object moves along curve with constant parametric speed, should be no sudden jump at knots
- for other applications, *tangent continuity* suffices
  - requires that the tangents point in the same direction
  - referred to as  $G^1$  geometric continuity
  - curves could be made  $C^1$  with a re-parameterization
  - geometric version of  $C^2$  is  $G^2$ , based on curves having the same radius of curvature across the knot

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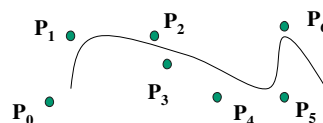
## Achieving Continuity

- Hermite curves
  - user specifies derivatives, so  $C^1$  by sharing points and derivatives across knot
- Bezier curves
  - they interpolate endpoints, so  $C^0$  by sharing control pts
  - introduce additional constraints to get  $C^1$ 
    - parametric derivative is a constant multiple of vector joining first/last 2 control points
    - so  $C^1$  achieved by setting  $P_{0,3}=P_{1,0}=J$ , and making  $P_{0,2}$  and  $J$  and  $P_{1,1}$  collinear, with  $J-P_{0,2}=P_{1,1}-J$
    - $C^2$  comes from further constraints on  $P_{0,1}$  and  $P_{1,2}$
  - leads to...

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## B-Spline Curve

- start with a sequence of control points
- select four from middle of sequence
  - ( $P_{i-2}, P_{i-1}, P_i, P_{i+1}$ )
  - Bezier and Hermite goes between  $p_{i-2}$  and  $p_{i+1}$
  - B-Spline doesn't interpolate (touch) any of them but approximates the going through  $p_{i-1}$  and  $p_i$



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### B-Spline

- by far the most popular spline used
- $C_0$ ,  $C_1$ , and  $C_2$  continuous

demo: [www.siggraph.org/education/materials/HyperGraph/modeling/splines/demoprogram/curve.html](http://www.siggraph.org/education/materials/HyperGraph/modeling/splines/demoprogram/curve.html)

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### B-Spline

- locality of points

*Figure 10-41*  
Local modification of a B-spline curve. Changing one of the control points in (a) produces curve (b), which is modified only in the neighborhood of the altered control point.

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### Project 3

- bumpy plane
  - vertex height varies randomly by 20% of face width
  - world coordinate light, camera coord light
  - regenerate terrain
  - toggle colors
- six triangles around a vertex
- [demo]

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### Project 3: Normals

- calculate once (per terrain)
  - per-face normals
  - then interpolate for per-vertex
- use when drawing
  - specify interleaved with vertices
- explicitly drawing normals
  - bristles at vertices
  - visual debugging

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### Project 3: Data Structures

- suggestion: 100x100x4 array for vertex coords
- colors?
- normals? per-face, per-vertex

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### Project 4

- create your own graphics game or tutorial
- required functionality
  - 3D, interactive, lighting/shading
  - texturing, picking, HUD
- advanced functionality pieces
  - two for 1-person team
  - four for 2-person team
  - six for 3-person team

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### P4: Advanced Functionality

- (new) navigation
- procedural modelling/textures
  - particle systems
- collision detection
- simulated dynamics
- level of detail control
- advanced rendering effects
- whatever else you want to do
  - proposal is a check with me

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### P4 Proposal

- due Wed 1 Jun 4pm
  - either electronic handin, or box handin for hardcopy
  - short (< 1 page) description
    - how game works
    - how it will fulfill required functionality
    - advanced functionality
  - must include at least one annotated screenshot mockup sketch
    - hand-drawn scanned or using computer tools

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### P4 Writeup

- **what:** a high level description of what you've created, including an explicit list of the advanced functionality items
- **how:** mid-level description of the algorithms and data structures that you've used
- **howto:** detailed instructions of the low-level mechanics of how to actually play (keyboard controls, etc)
- **sources:** sources of inspiration and ideas (especially any source code you looked at for inspiration on the Internet)
- include screen shots with handin for HOF eligibility

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### P4 Grading

- final project due 11:59pm Fri Jun 17
  - face to face demos again
  - I will be grading
- grading
  - 50% base: required functions, gameplay, etc
  - 50% advanced functionality
  - buckets, tentative mapping
    - zero = 0
    - minus = 40
    - check-minus = 60
    - check = 80
    - check-plus = 100
    - plus 105

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