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**Compositing, Clipping, Curves**

**Week 3, Thu May 26**

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# 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

# 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
- both: nice modular function that doesn't change modelview matrix

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glPushMatrix();  
glTranslate(..a..);  
glRotate(..);  
glTranslate(..-a..);  
    draw things  
glPopMatrix();
```

# Schedule Change

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

# Poll

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

# 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

# Midterm Topics

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

# Reading: Today

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



# Reading: Next Time

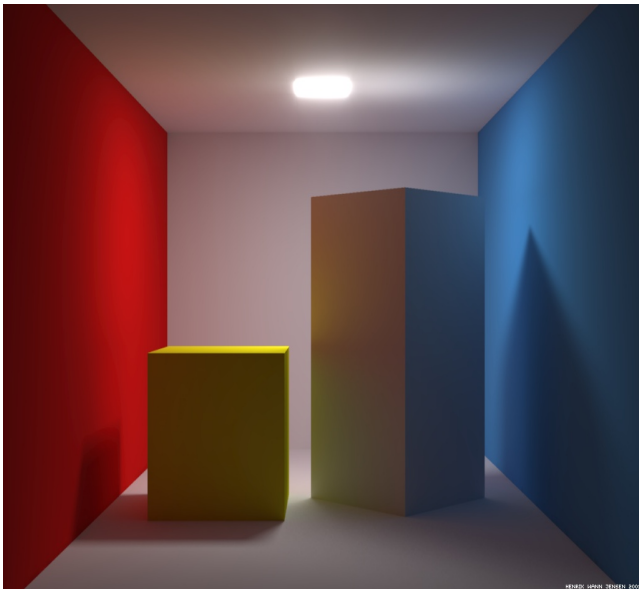
- FCG Chapter 7

# Errata

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

# Review: Illumination

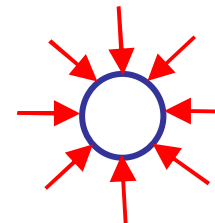
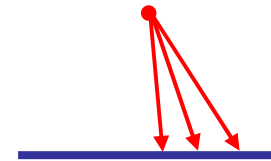
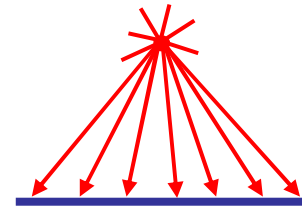
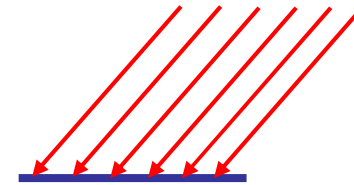
- transport of energy from light sources to surfaces & points
  - includes *direct* and *indirect illumination*



Images by Henrik Wann Jensen

# 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

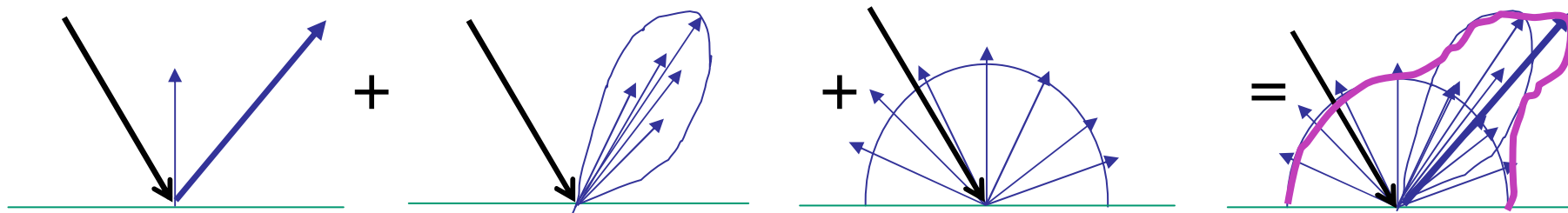


# Review: Light Source Placement

- 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)

# Review: Reflectance

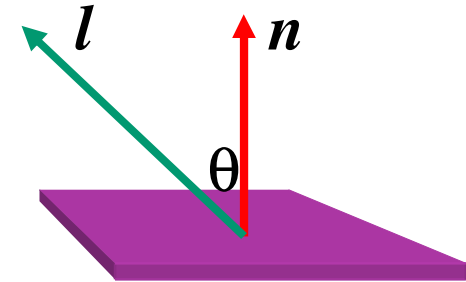
- *specular*: perfect mirror with no scattering
- *gloss*: mixed, partial specularity
- *diffuse*: all directions with equal energy



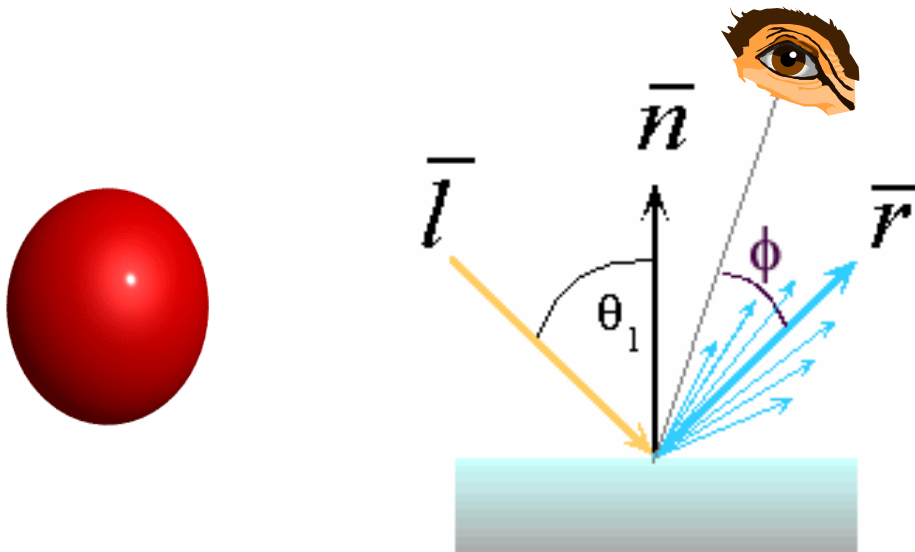
specular + glossy + diffuse =  
reflectance distribution

# Review: Reflection Equations

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



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



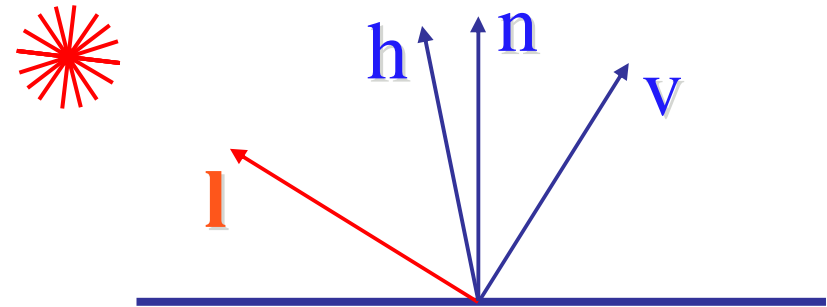
$$2 (\mathbf{N} (\mathbf{N} \cdot \mathbf{L})) - \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{R}$$

# Review: Reflection Equations 2

- Blinn improvement

$$\mathbf{I}_{\text{specular}} = \mathbf{k}_s \mathbf{I}_{\text{light}} (\mathbf{h} \bullet \mathbf{n})^{n_{\text{shiny}}}$$

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



- full Phong lighting model

- combine ambient, diffuse, specular components

$$\mathbf{I}_{\text{total}} = \mathbf{k}_s \mathbf{I}_{\text{ambient}} + \sum_{i=1}^{\#lights} \mathbf{I}_i (\mathbf{k}_d (\mathbf{n} \bullet \mathbf{l}_i) + \mathbf{k}_s (\mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{r}_i)^{n_{\text{shiny}}})$$

- don't forget to normalize all vectors:  $\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{l}, \mathbf{r}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{h}$

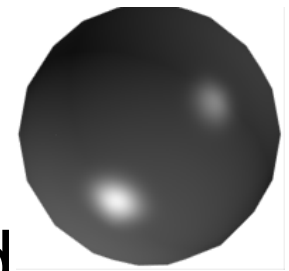
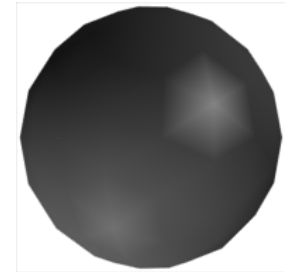


# Review: Lighting

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

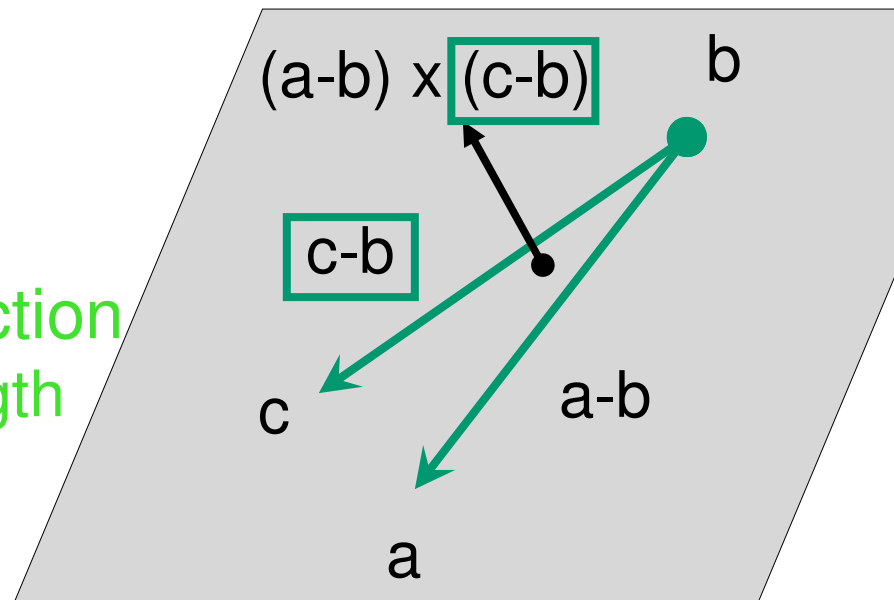
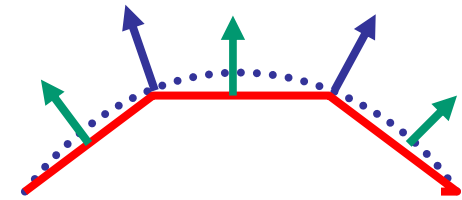
# Review: Shading Models

- 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



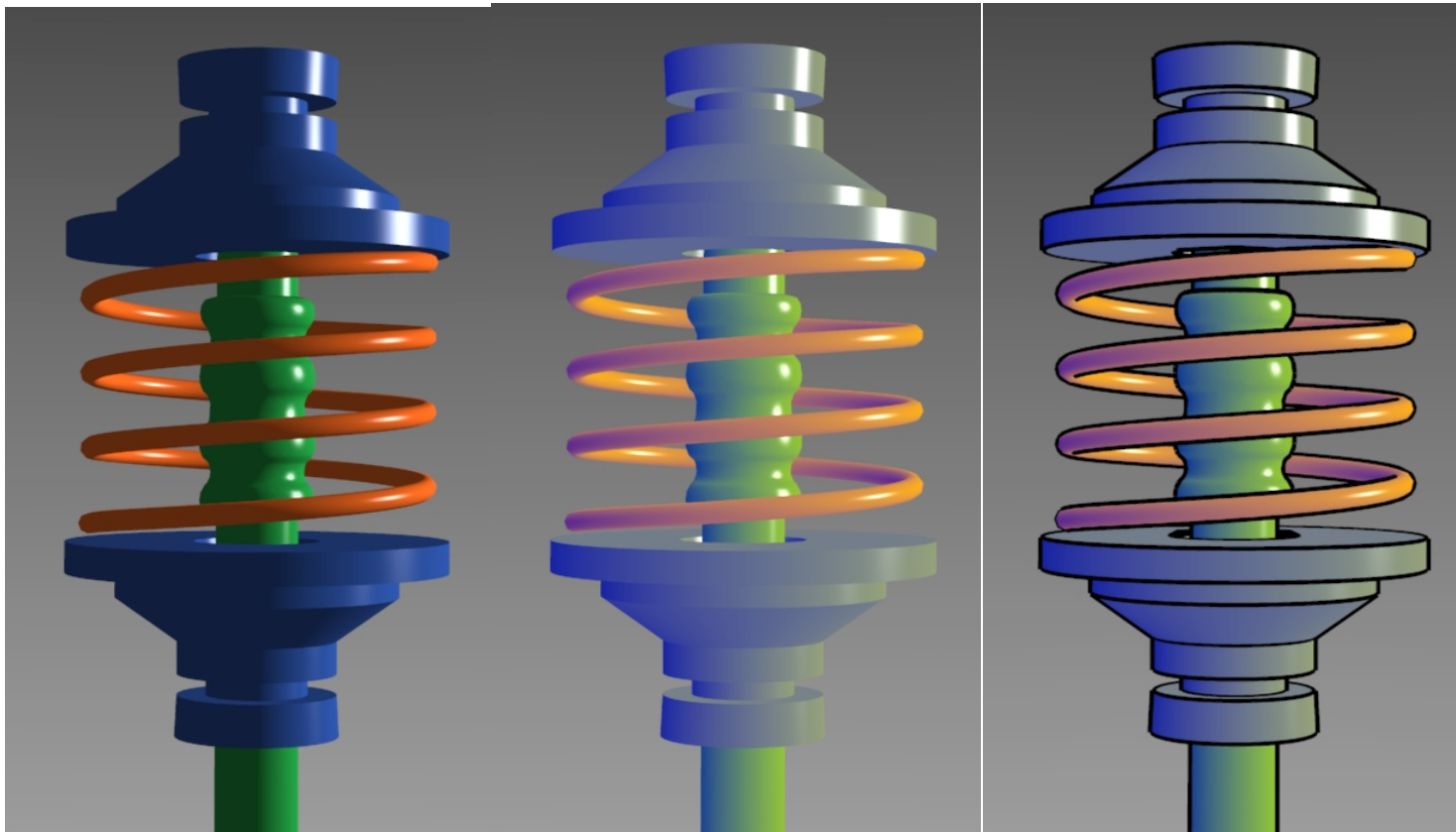
# Correction/Review: Computing Normals

- 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



# Review: Non-Photorealistic Shading

- cool-to-warm shading  $k_w = \frac{1 + \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{l}}{2}, c = k_w c_w + (1 - k_w) c_c$
- draw silhouettes: if  $(\mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{n}_0)(\mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{n}_1) \leq 0$ ,  $\mathbf{e}$ =edge-eye vector
- draw creases: if  $(\mathbf{n}_0 \cdot \mathbf{n}_1) \leq threshold$



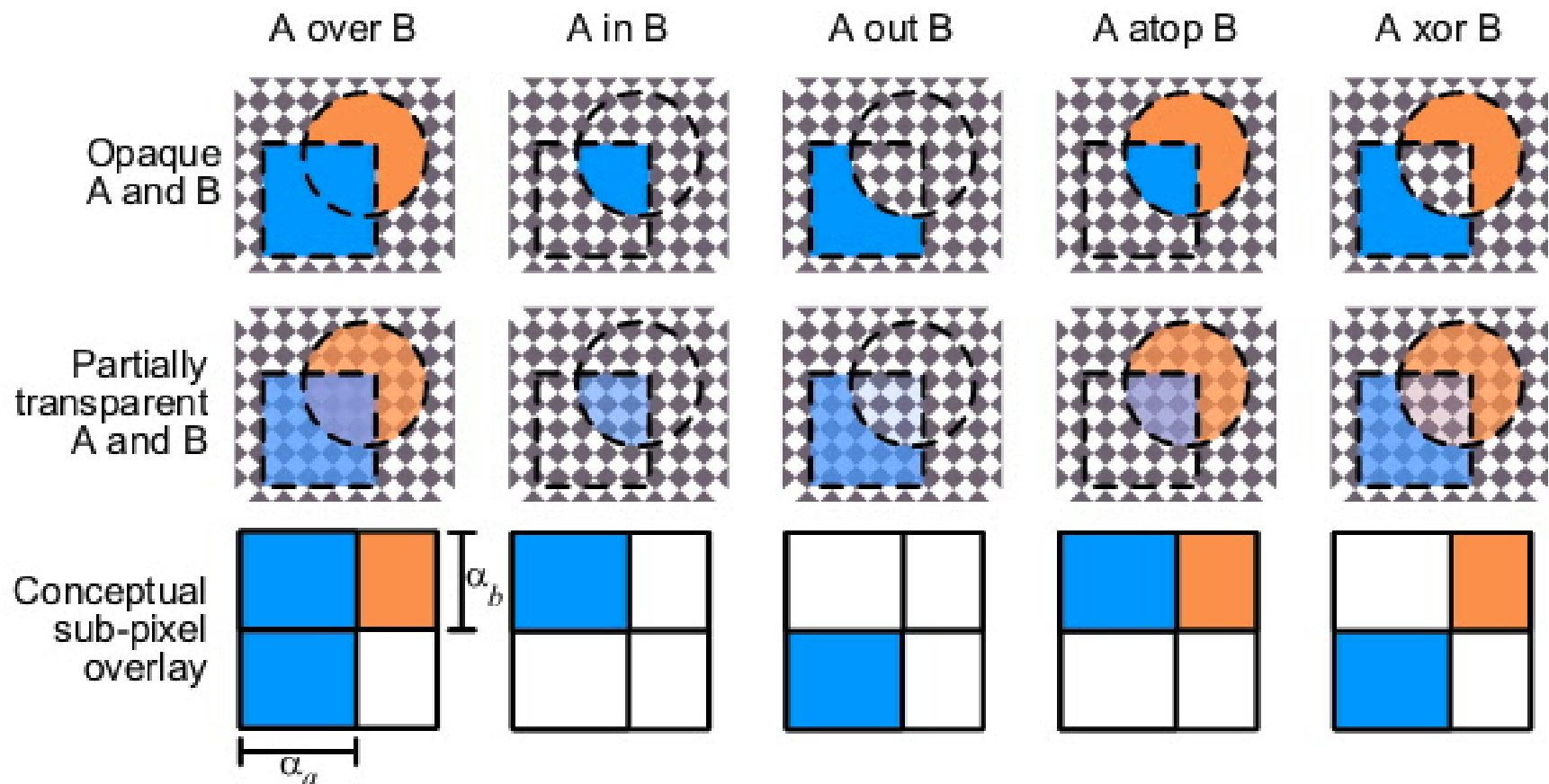
## End of Class Last Time

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

# Compositing

# Compositing

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



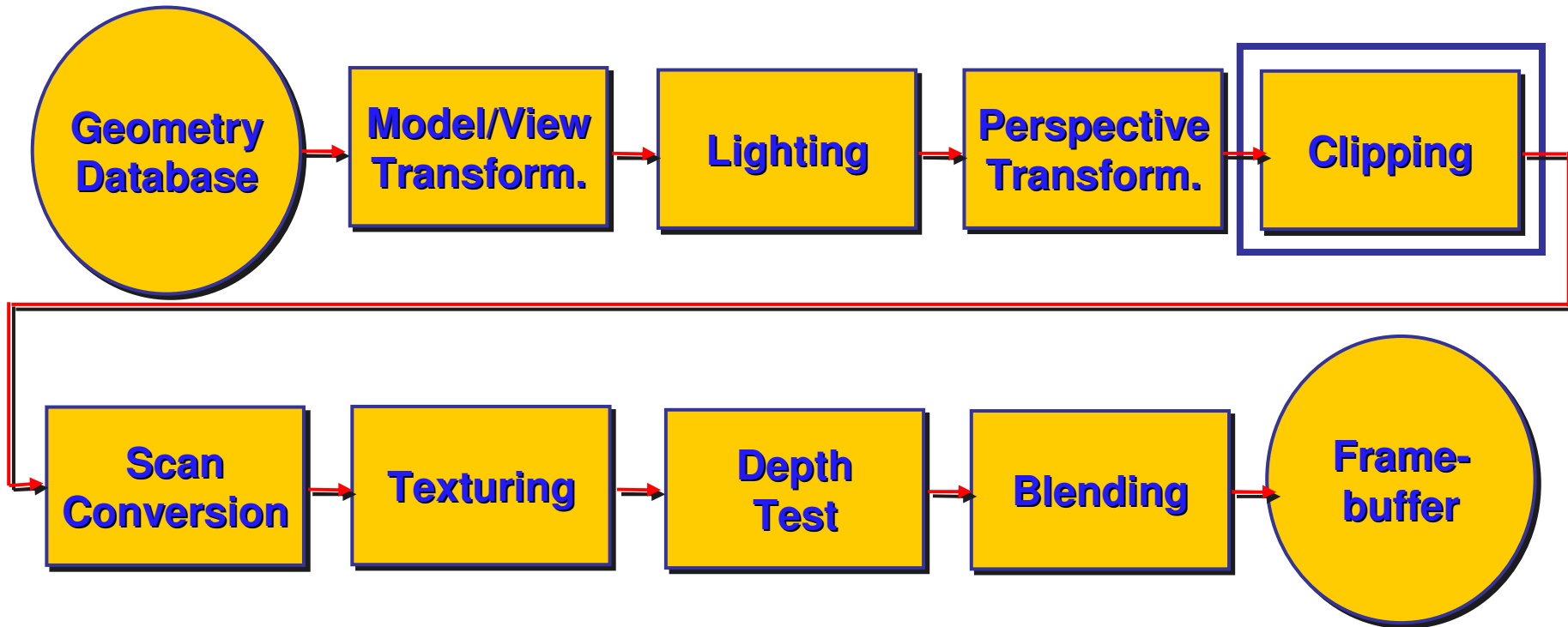
# Premultiplying Colors

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



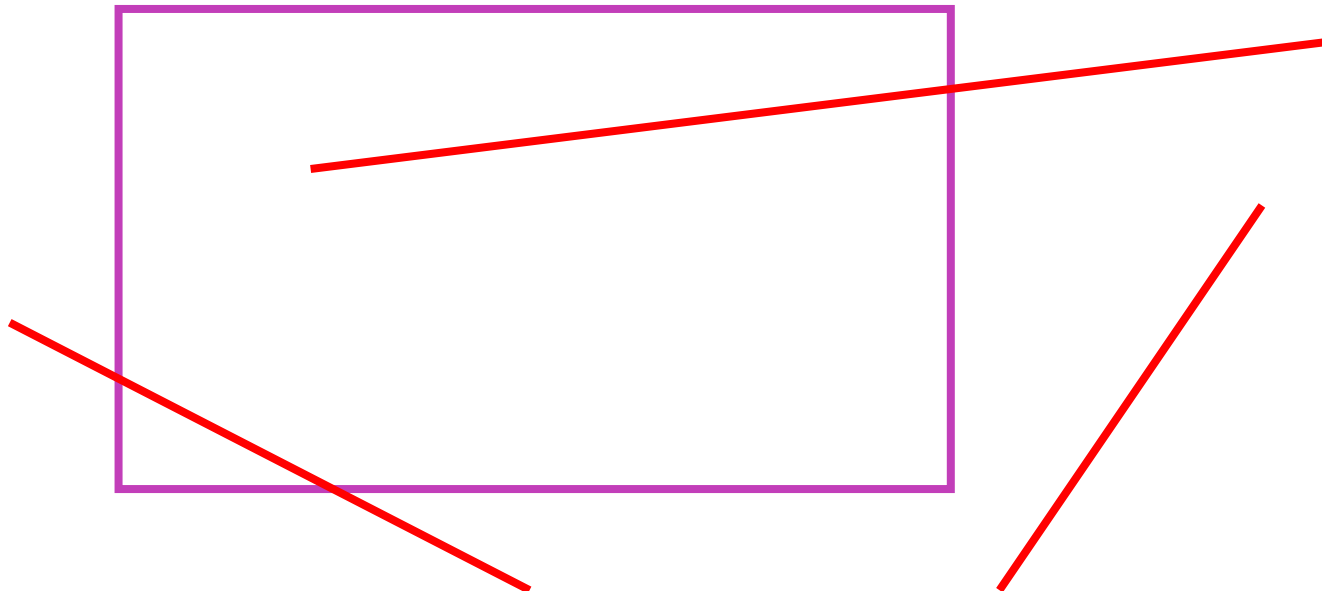
# Clipping

# Rendering Pipeline



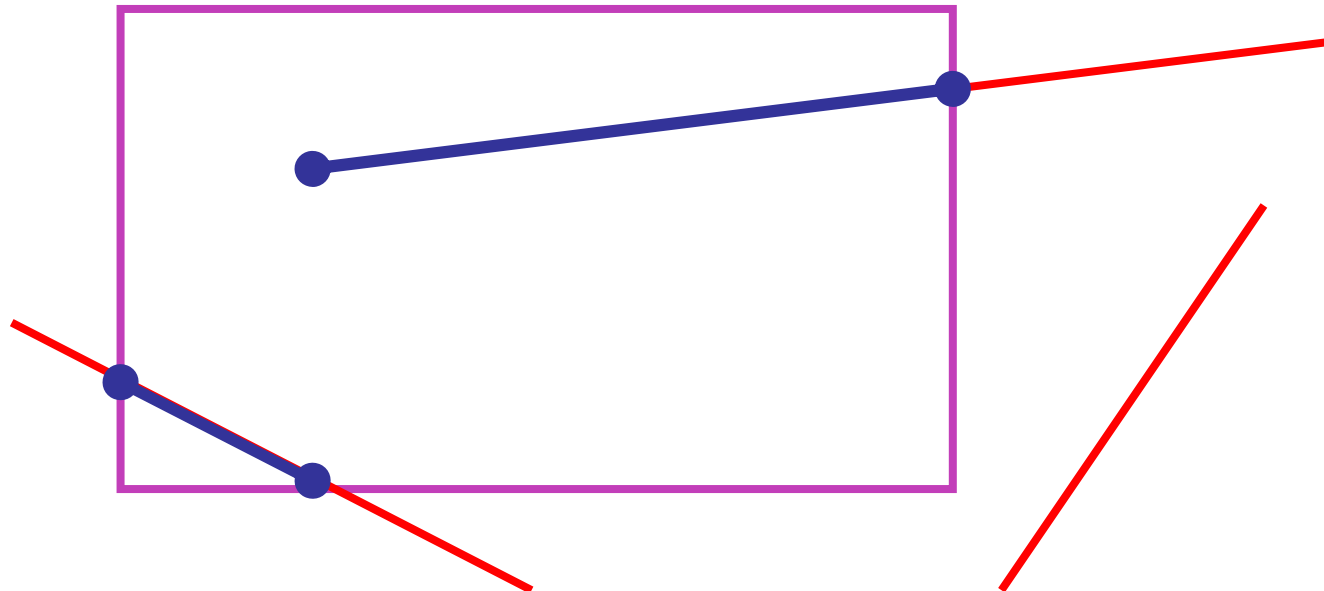
## Next Topic: Clipping

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



# Clipping

- analytically calculating the portions of primitives within the viewport



# Why Clip?

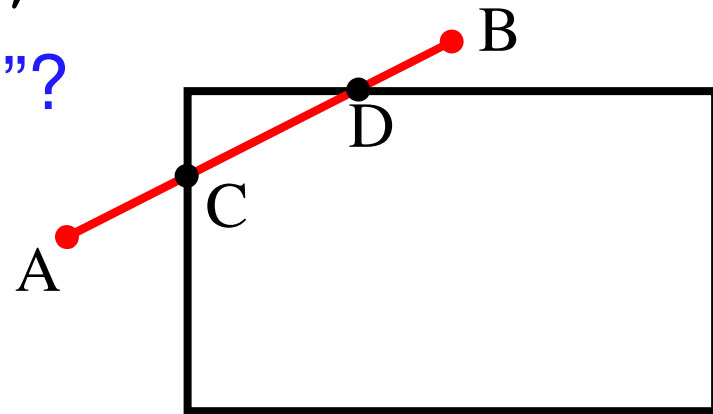
- bad idea to rasterize outside of framebuffer bounds
- also, don't waste time scan converting pixels outside window
  - could be billions of pixels for very close objects!

# 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

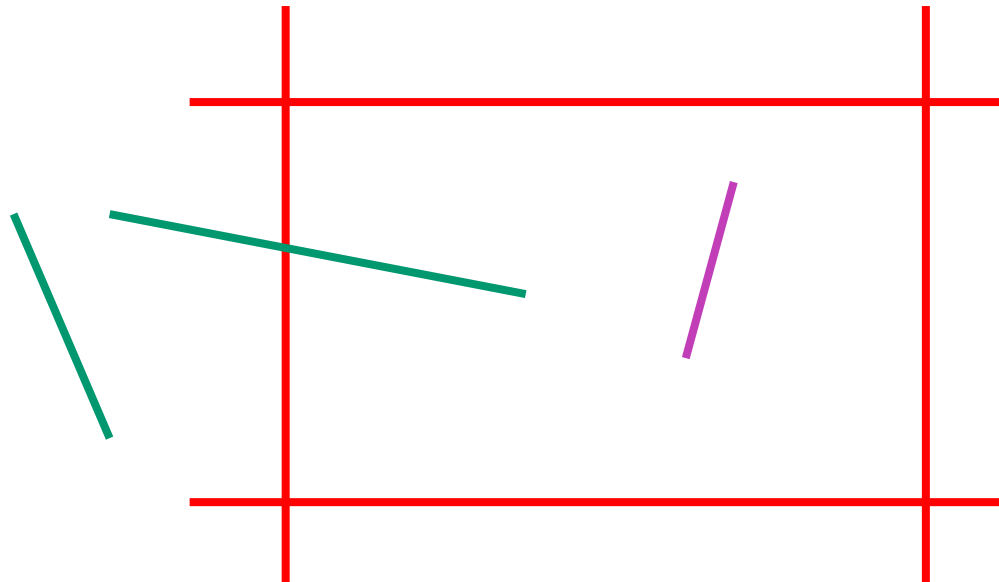
# Clipping

- 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?



# Trivial Accepts

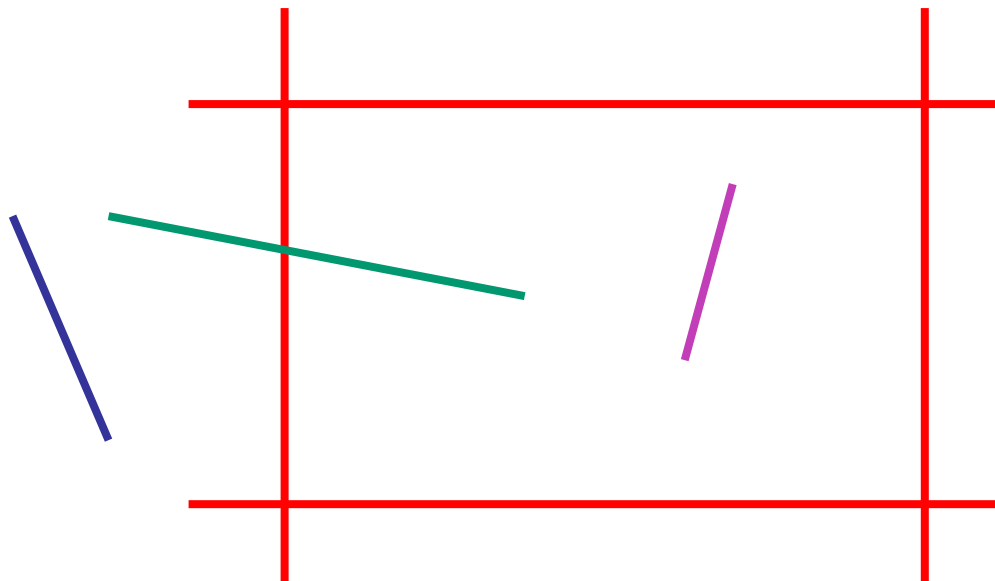
- big optimization: trivial accept/rejects
  - Q: how can we quickly determine whether a line segment is entirely inside the viewport?
  - A: test both endpoints





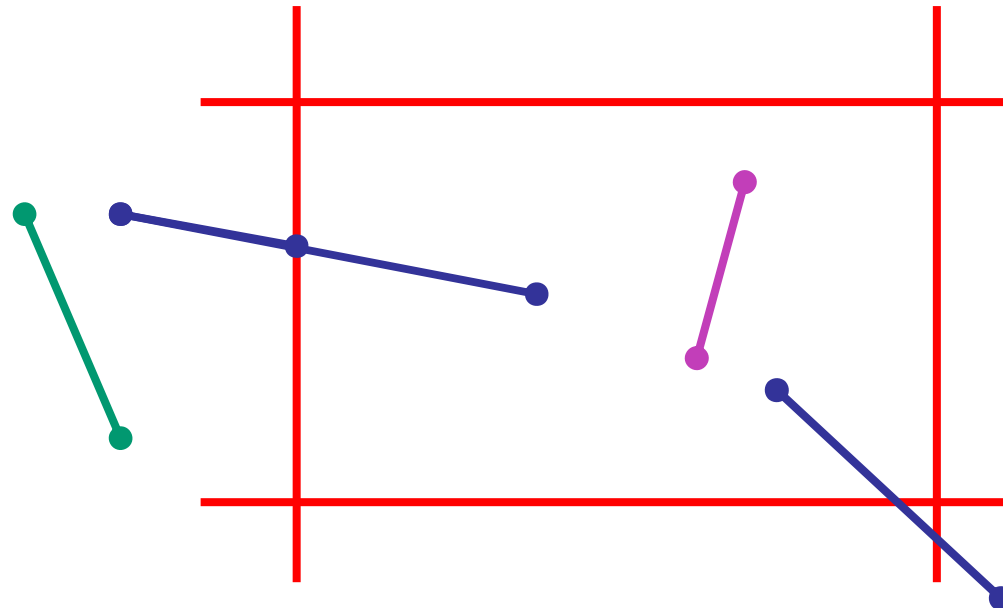
# Trivial Rejects

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



# Clipping Lines To Viewport

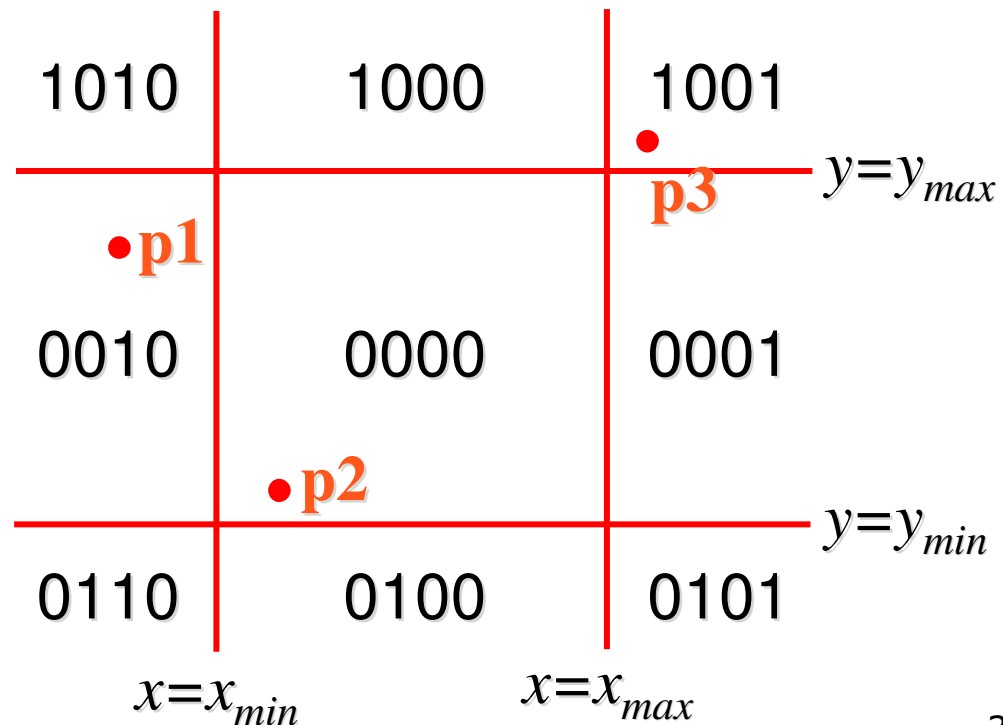
- combining trivial accepts/rejects
  - trivially **accept** lines with both endpoints **inside all edges of the viewport**
  - trivially **reject** lines with both endpoints **outside the same edge of the viewport**
  - otherwise, reduce to trivial cases **by splitting into two segments**



# Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

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

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



# Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

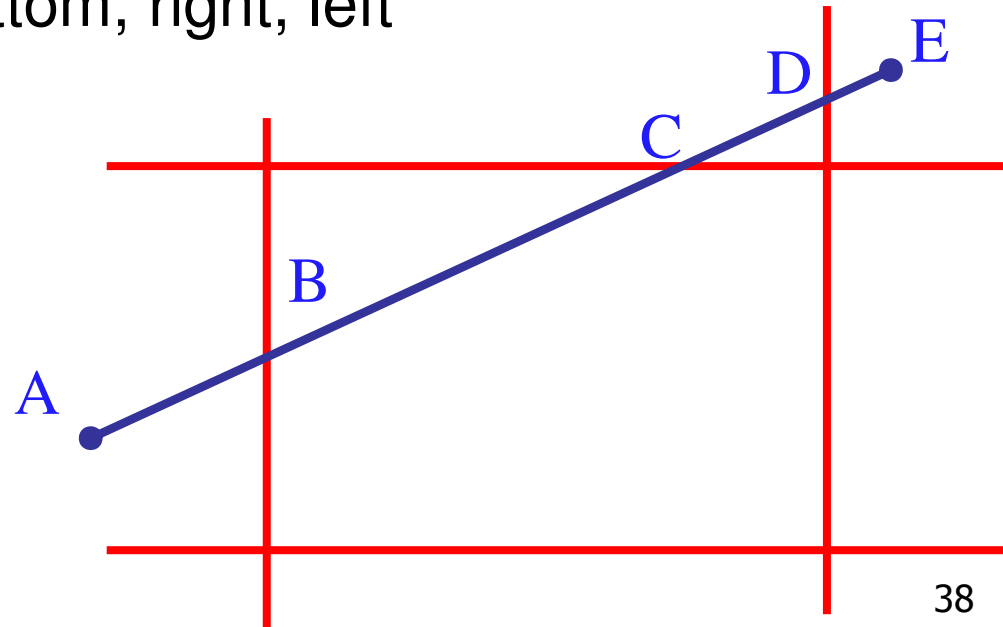
- assign outcode to each vertex of line to test
  - line segment:  $(p1, p2)$
- trivial cases
  - $OC(p1) == 0 \ \&\& \ OC(p2) == 0$ 
    - both points inside window, thus line segment completely visible (trivial accept)
  - $(OC(p1) \ \& \ OC(p2)) \neq 0$ 
    - there is (at least) one boundary for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

# 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

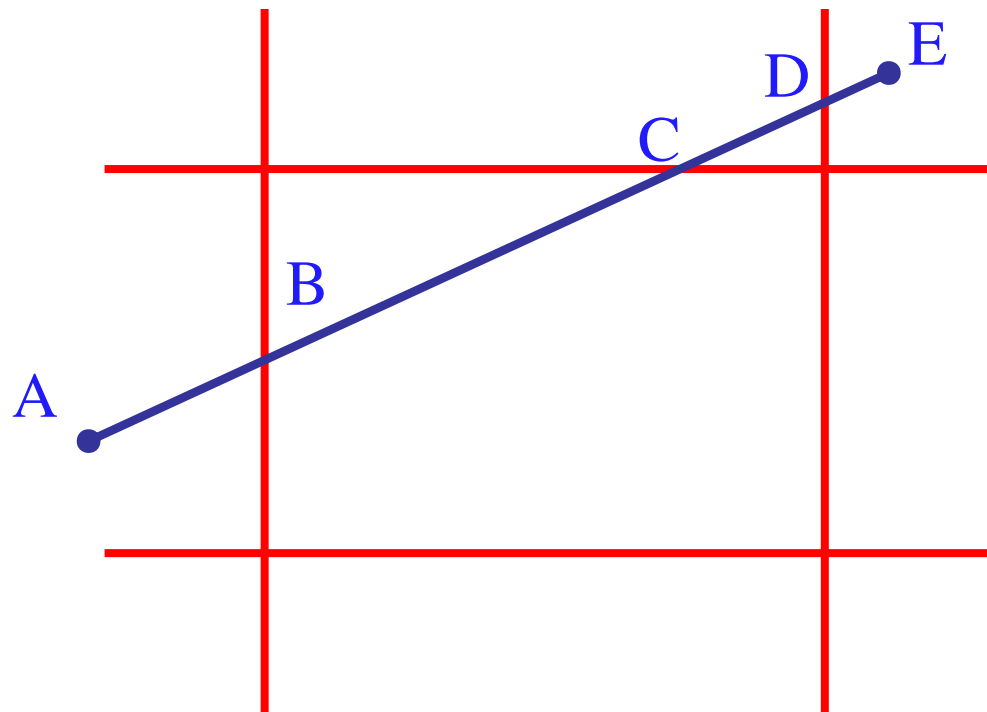
# Cohen-Sutherland Line Clipping

- if line cannot be trivially accepted or rejected, subdivide so that one or both segments can be discarded
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  - check against edges in same order each time
    - for example: top, bottom, right, left



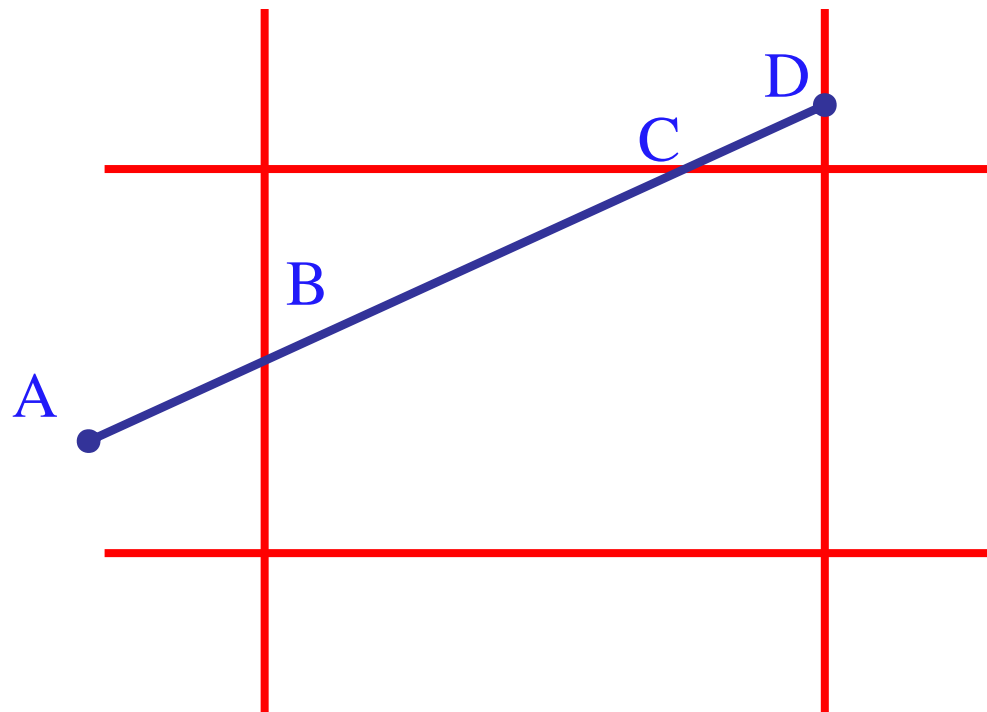
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- intersect line with edge (how?)



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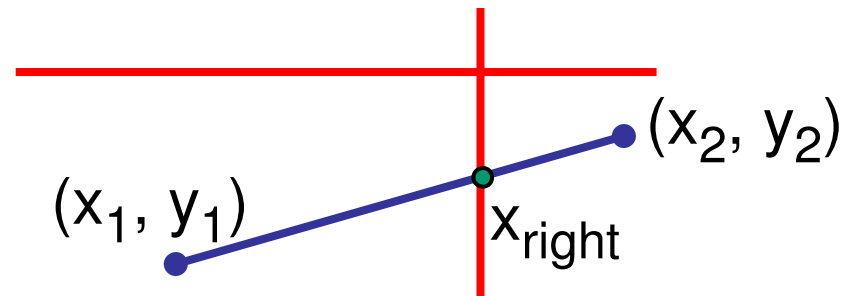


# Viewport Intersection Code

- $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  intersect vertical edge at  $x_{\text{right}}$

- $y_{\text{intersect}} = y_1 + m(x_{\text{right}} - x_1)$

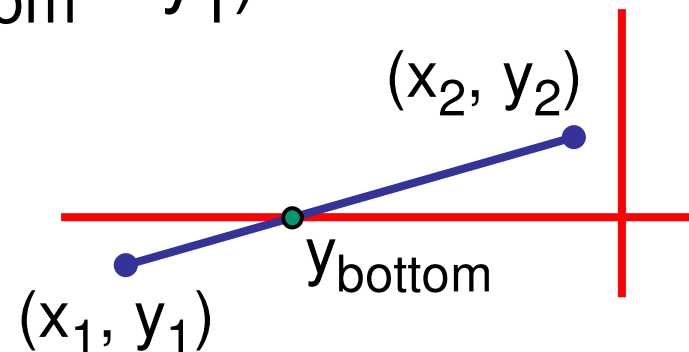
- $m = (y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1)$



- $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  intersect horiz edge at  $y_{\text{bottom}}$

- $x_{\text{intersect}} = x_1 + (y_{\text{bottom}} - y_1) / m$

- $m = (y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1)$



# 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

# Line Clipping in 3D

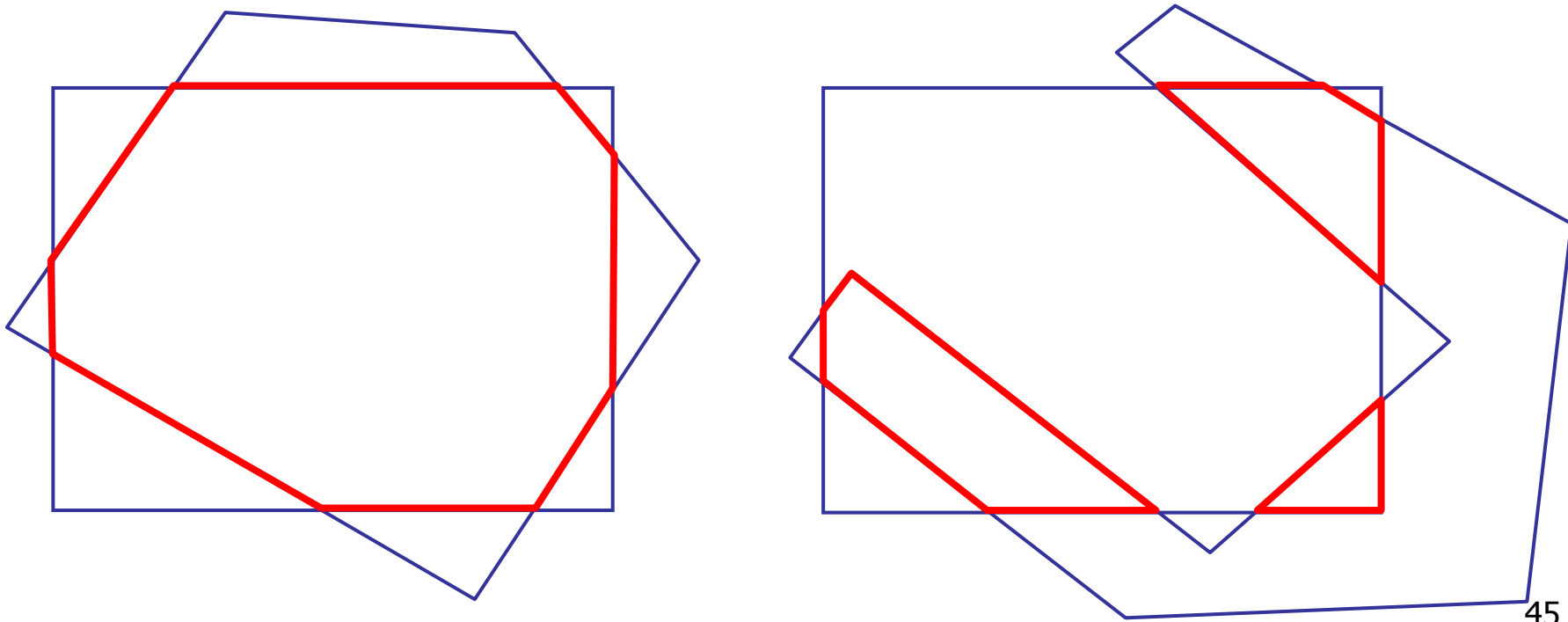
- approach
  - clip against parallelepiped in NDC
    - after perspective transform
  - means that clipping volume always the same
    - $x_{\min}=y_{\min}= -1$ ,  $x_{\max}=y_{\max}= 1$  in OpenGL
- boundary lines become boundary planes
  - but outcodes still work the same way
  - additional front and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

# 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

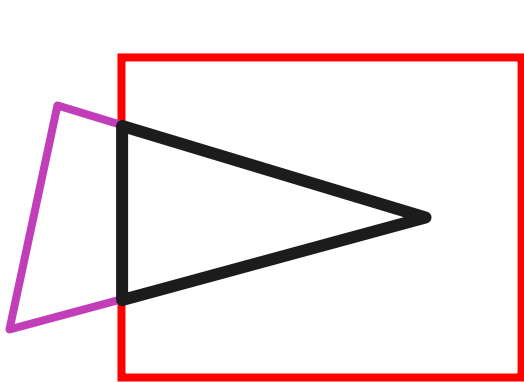
# Polygon Clipping

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

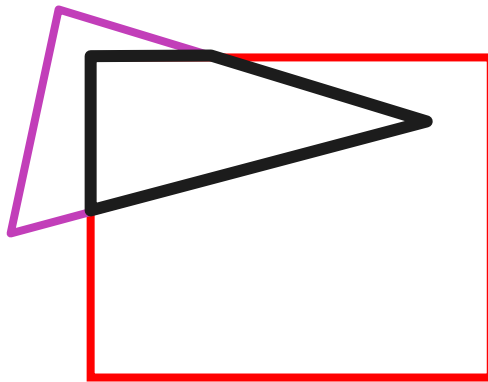


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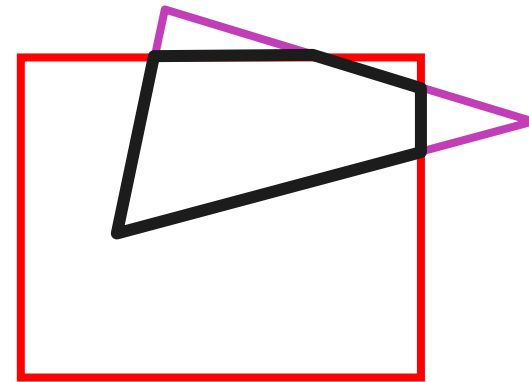
- what happens to a triangle during clipping?
- possible outcomes:



triangle  $\Rightarrow$  triangle



triangle  $\Rightarrow$  quad

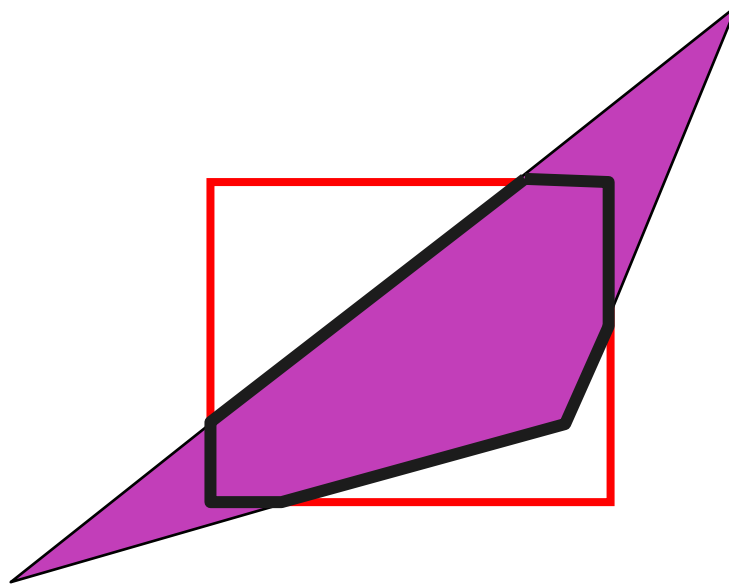


triangle  $\Rightarrow$  5-gon

- how many sides can a clipped triangle have?

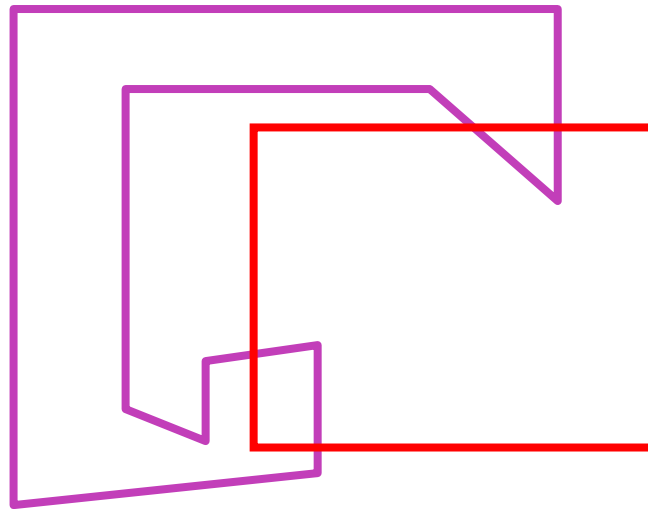
# How Many Sides?

- seven...



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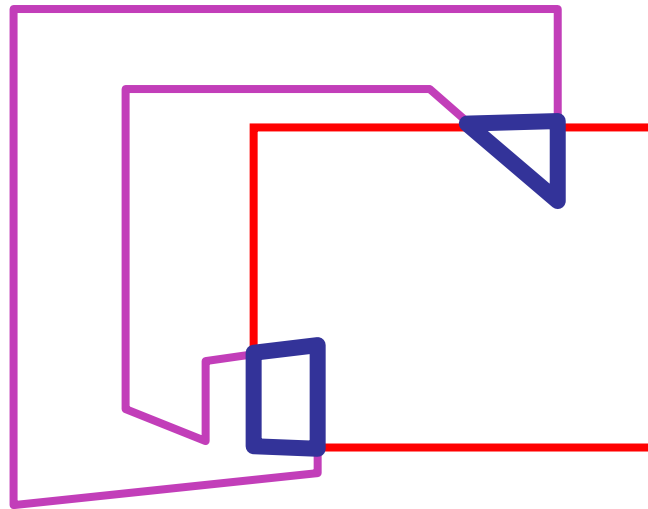
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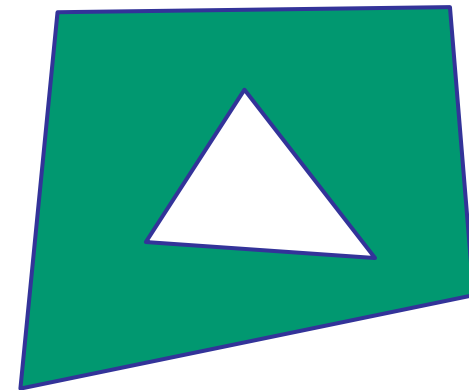
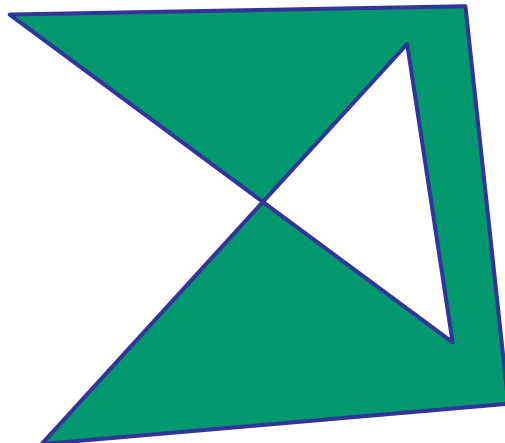
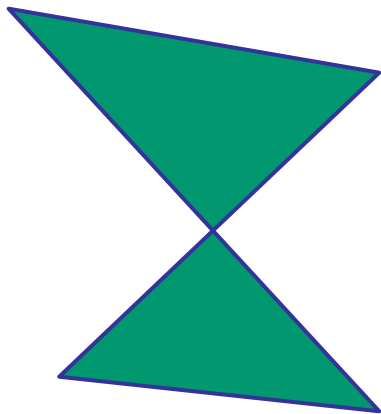
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concave polygon  $\Rightarrow$  multiple polygons

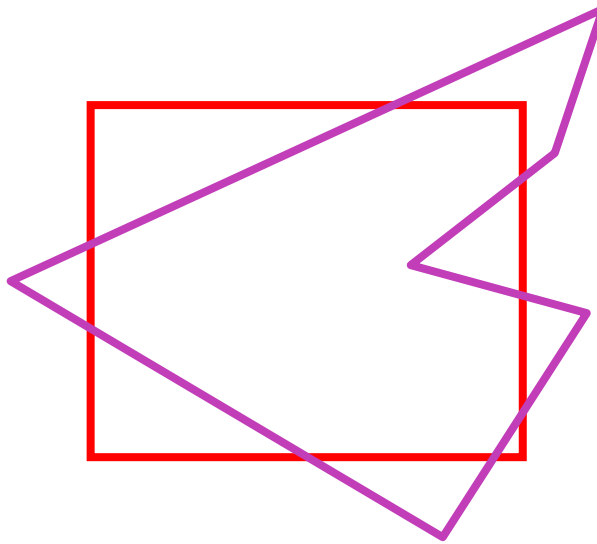
# Polygon Clipping

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



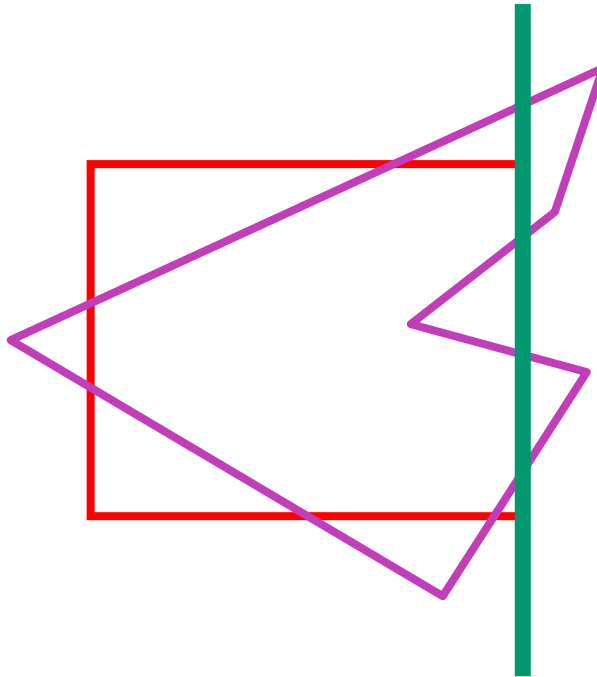
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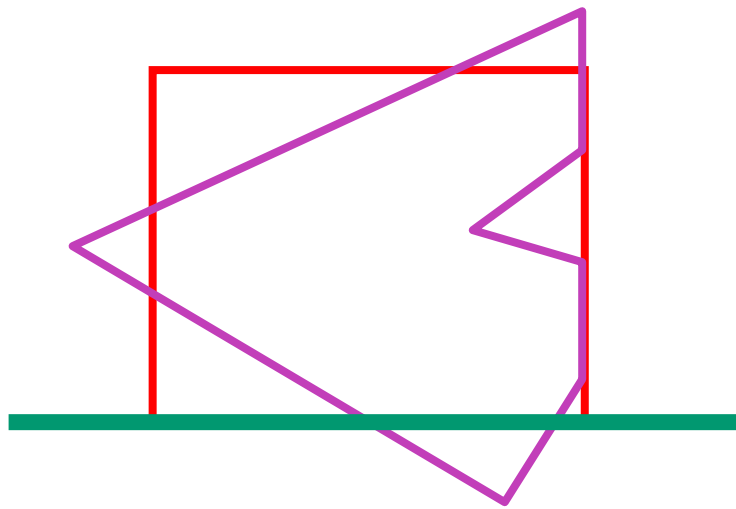
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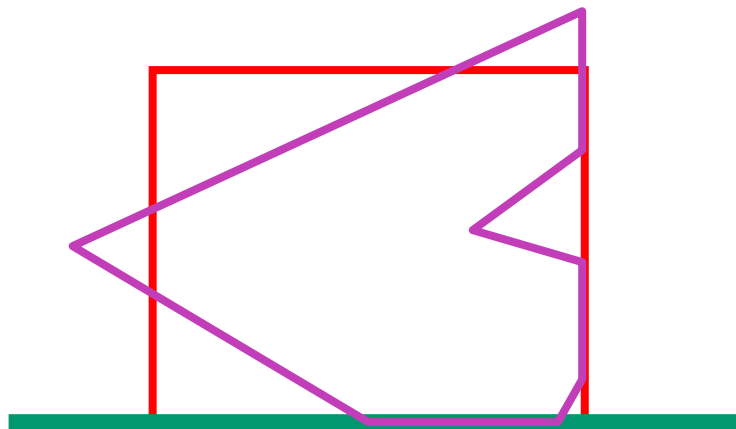
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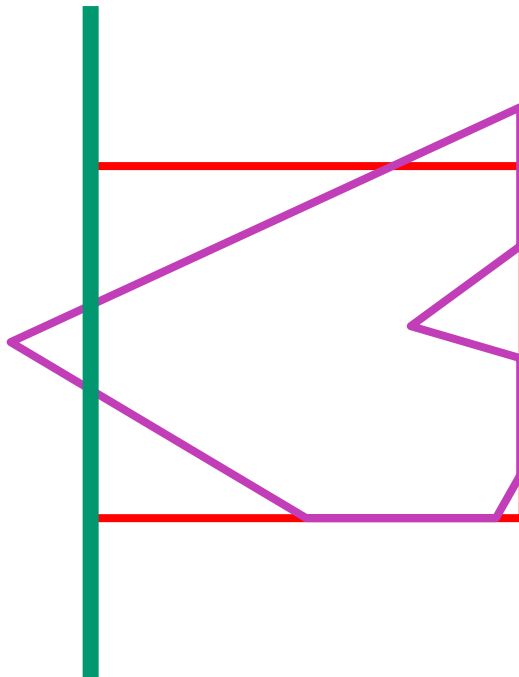
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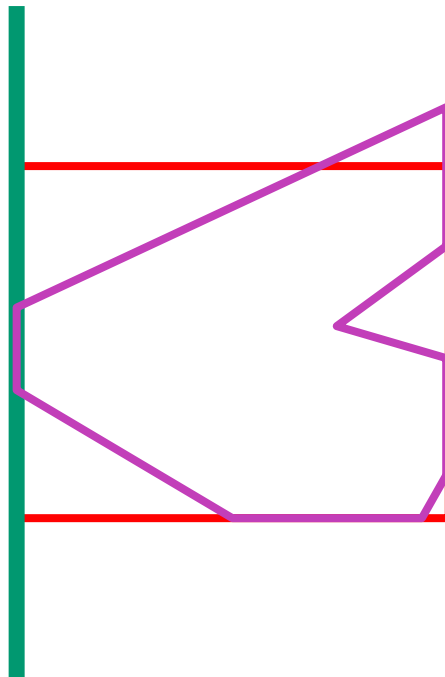
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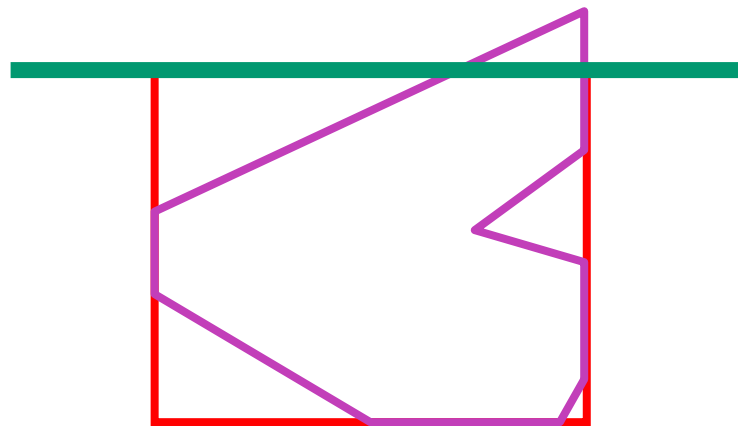
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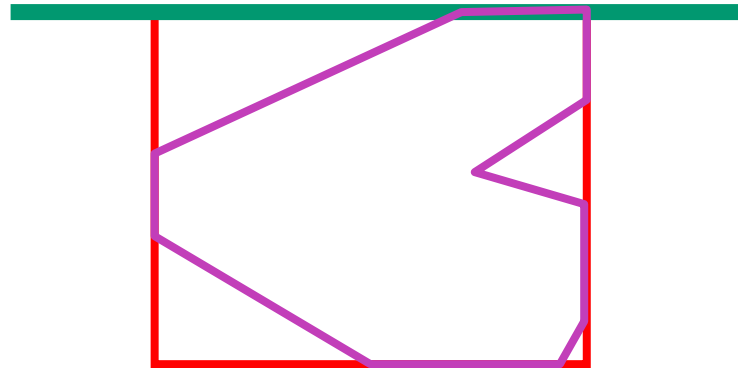
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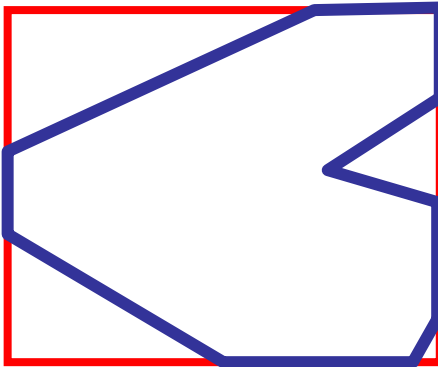
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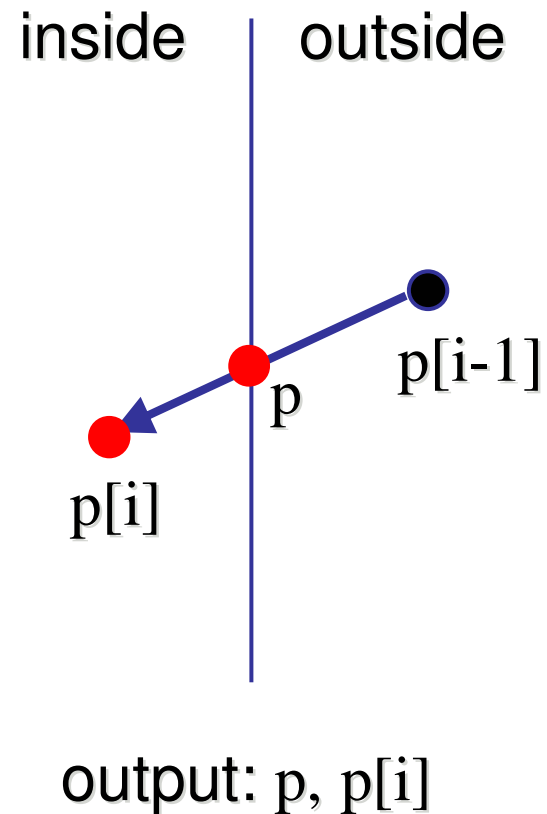
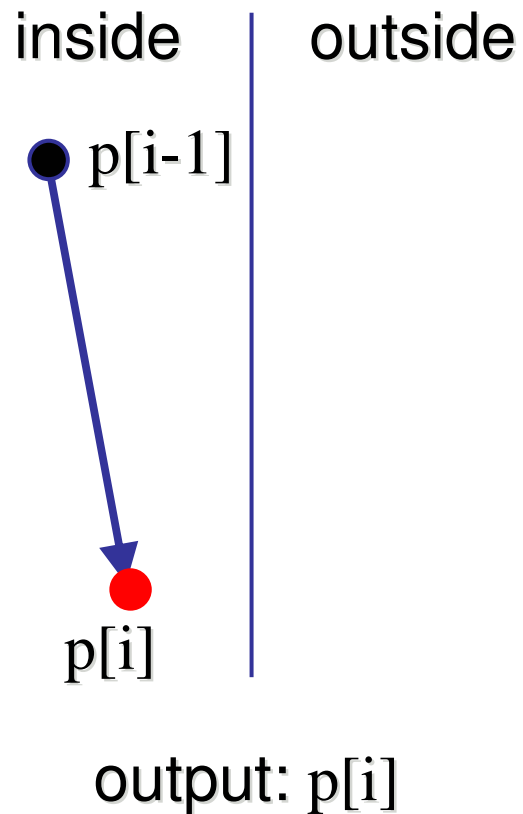


# Sutherland-Hodgeman Algorithm

- 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?

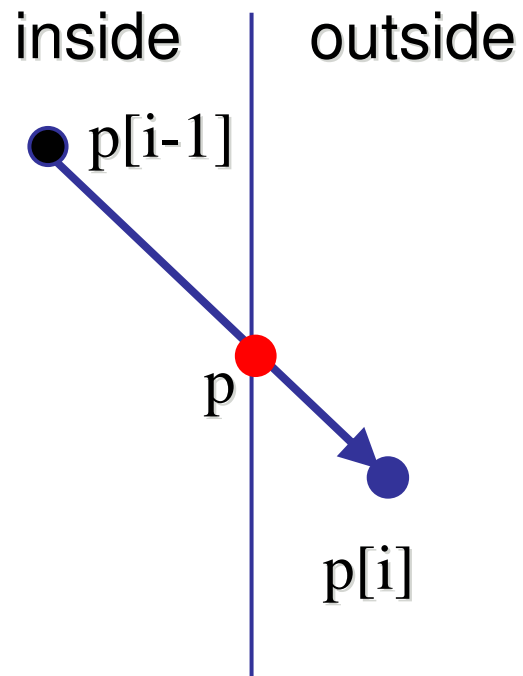
# Clipping Against One Edge

- $p[i]$  inside: 2 cases

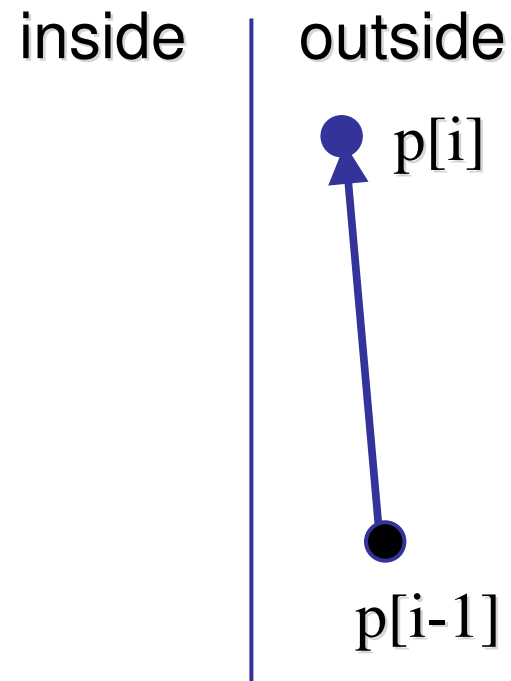


# Clipping Against One Edge

- $p[i]$  outside: 2 cases



output:  $p$

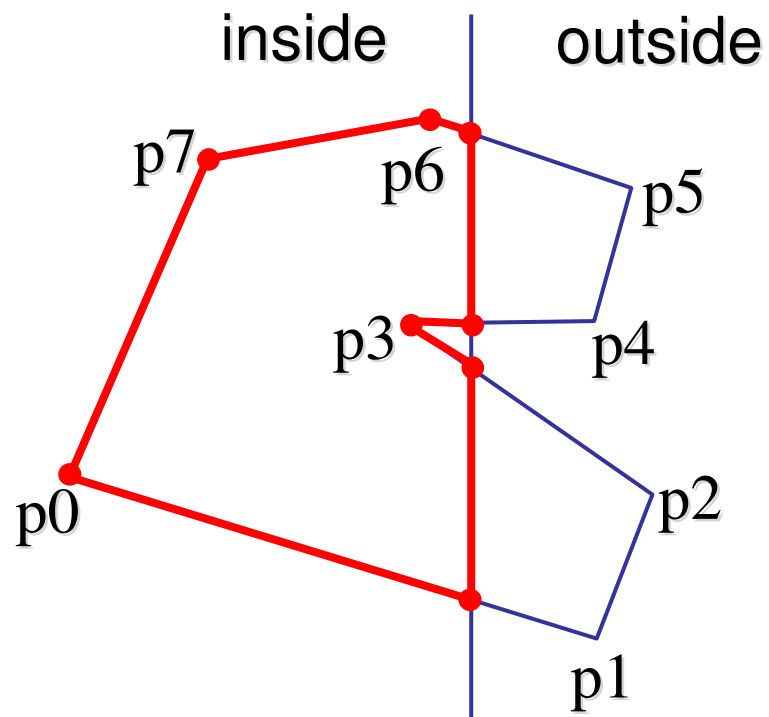


output: nothing

# 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;  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

# Sutherland-Hodgeman Example



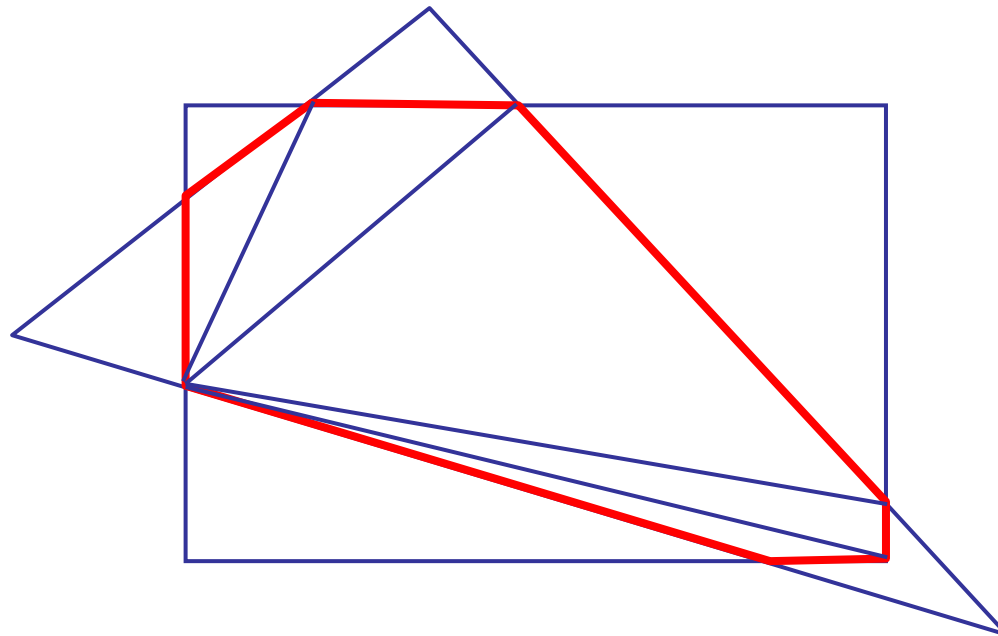


# Sutherland-Hodgeman Discussion

- 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

# Sutherland/Hodgeman Discussion

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



# Curves

# 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

# Splines

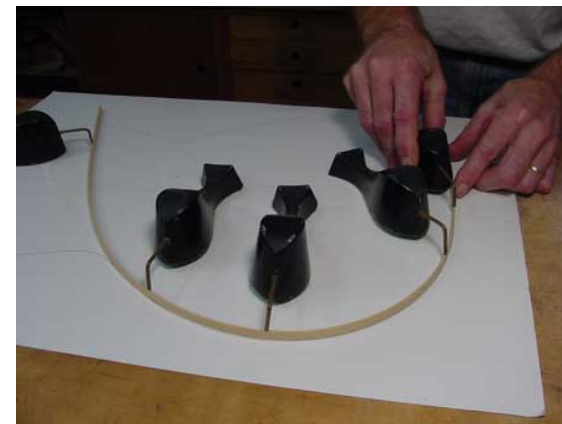
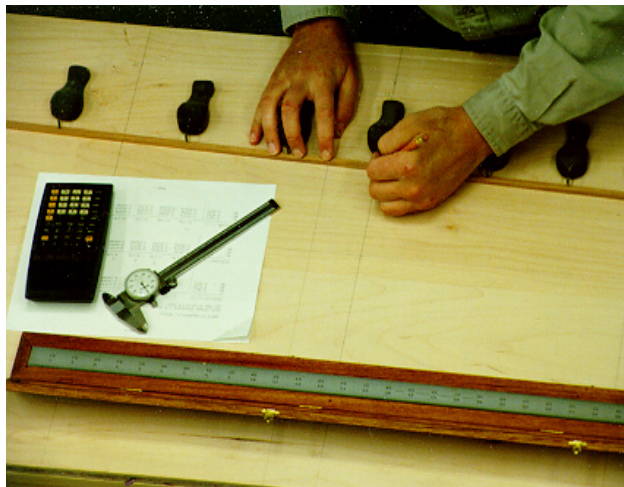
- a *spline* is a parametric curve defined by *control points*
  - term “spline” dates from engineering drawing, where a spline was a piece of flexible wood used to draw smooth curves
  - control points are *adjusted by the user* to control shape of curve

# 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

# 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

# Hermite Cubic Splines

- example of knot and continuity constraints



*Hermite Specification*



## 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  $t=1$

## Hermite Spline (3)

- solving for the unknowns gives

$$a = -2x_1 + 2x_0 + x'_1 + x'_0$$

$$b = 3x_1 - 3x_0 - x'_1 - 2x'_0$$

$$c = x'_0$$

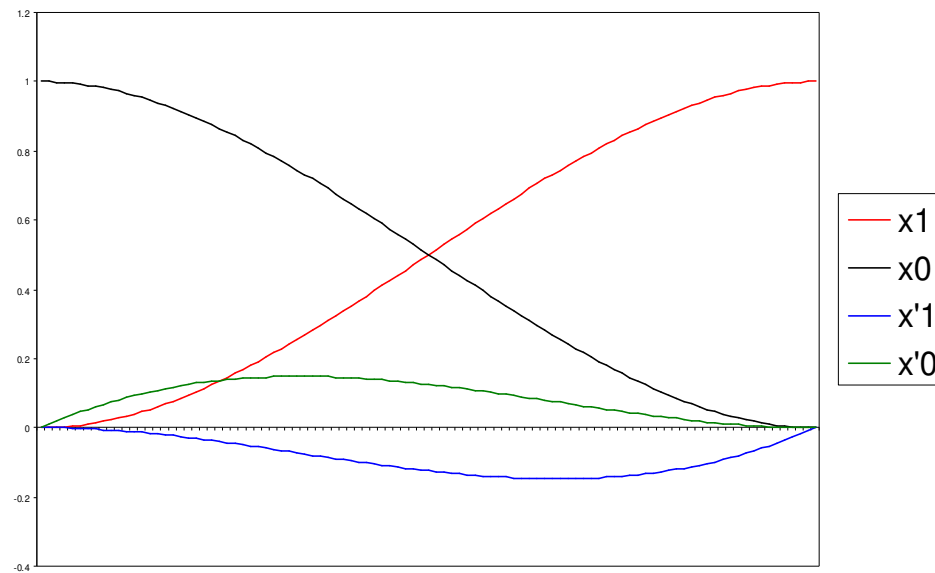
$$d = x_0$$

- rearranging gives

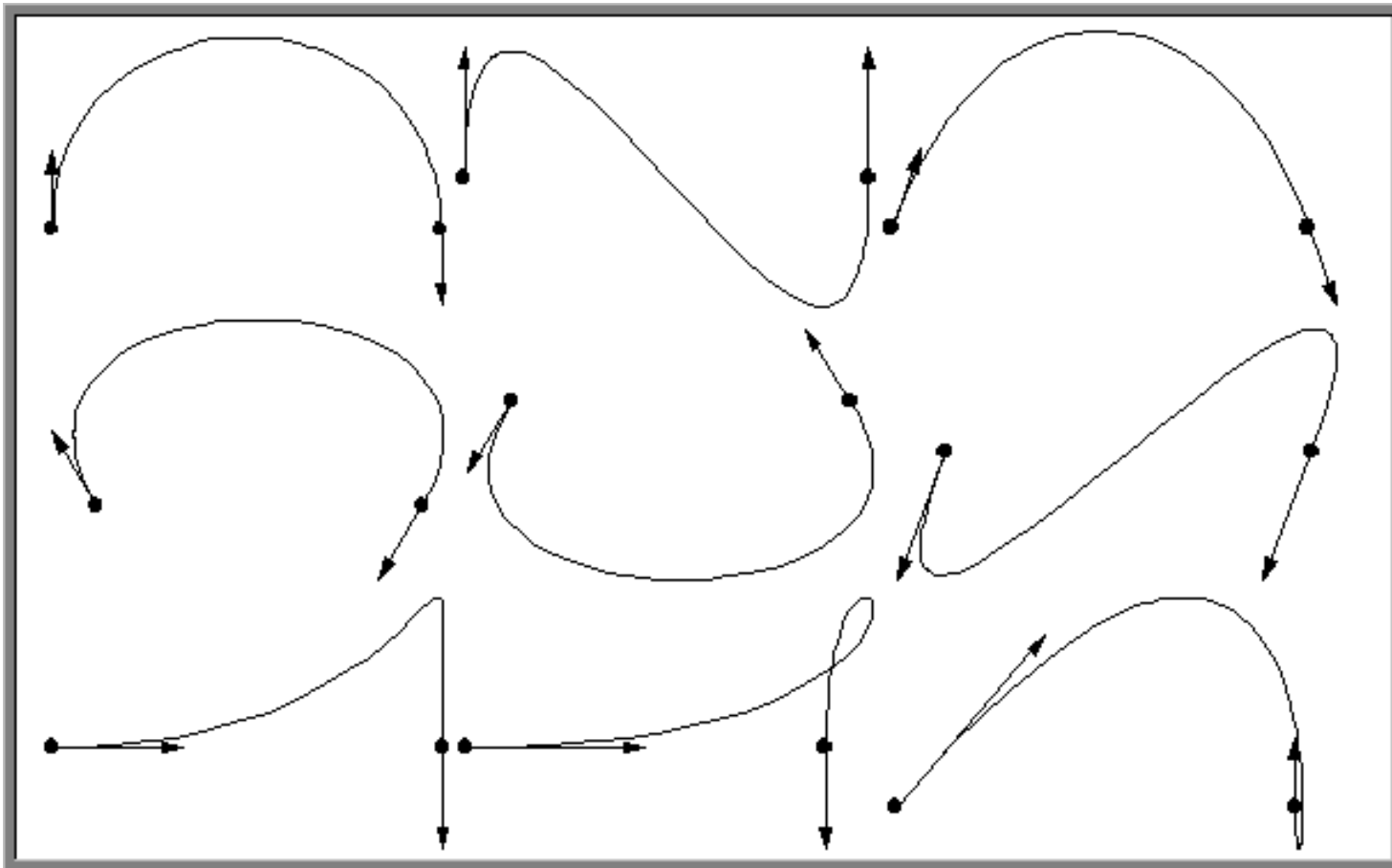
$$\begin{aligned} x = & x_1(-2t^3 + 3t^2) \\ & + x_0(2t^3 - 3t^2 + 1) \\ & + x'_1(t^3 - t^2) \\ & + x'_0(t^3 - 2t^2 + t) \end{aligned} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_0 & x'_1 & x'_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}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

# 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*



# Sample Hermite Curves



## 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)

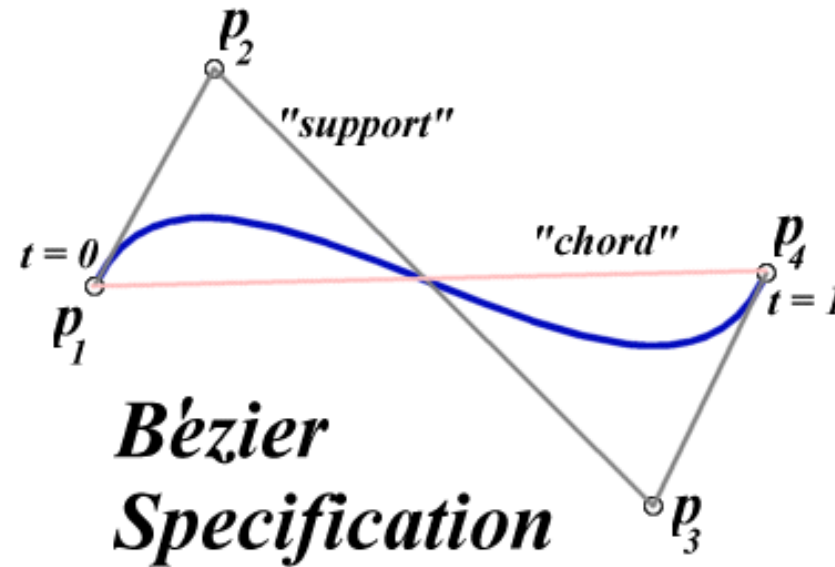
$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_0 & x'_1 & x'_0 \\ y_1 & y_0 & y'_1 & y'_0 \\ z_1 & z_0 & z'_1 & z'_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t^3 \\ t^2 \\ t \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Bézier Curves

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



*Hermite Specification*



*Bézier  
Specification*

# Bézier Curves

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

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

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

## Bézier vs. Hermite

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

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



## Bézier vs. Hermite

- Now substitute this in for previous Hermite

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

# Bézier Basis, Geometry Matrices

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

- but why is  $\mathbf{M}_{\text{Bezier}}$  a good basis matrix?

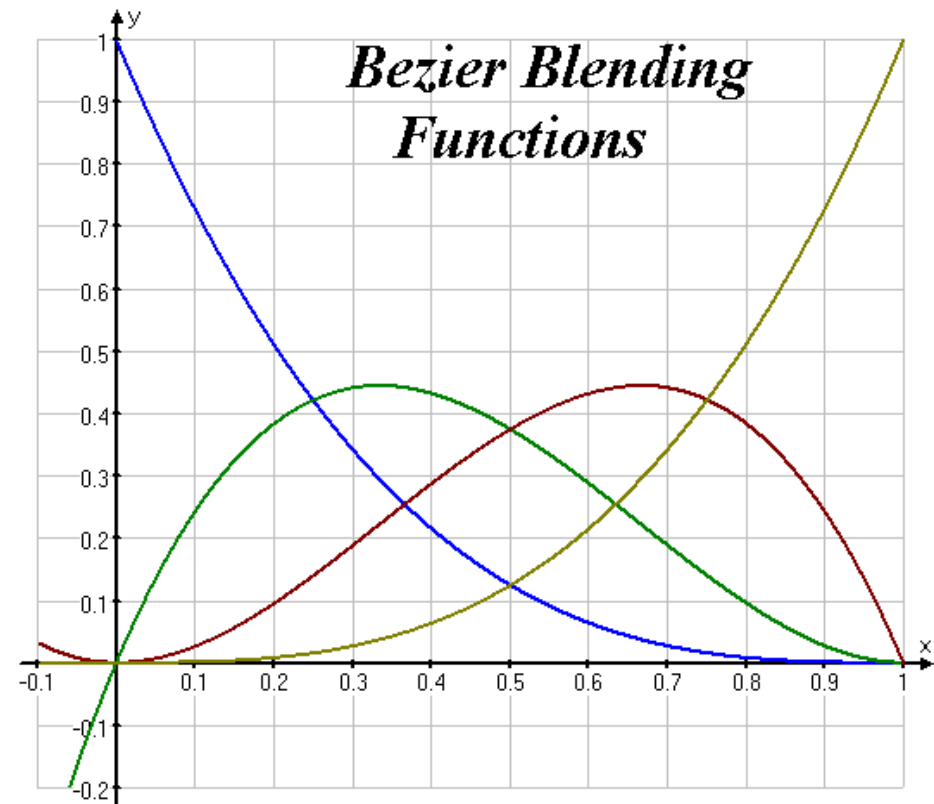
# Bézier Blending Functions

- 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

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

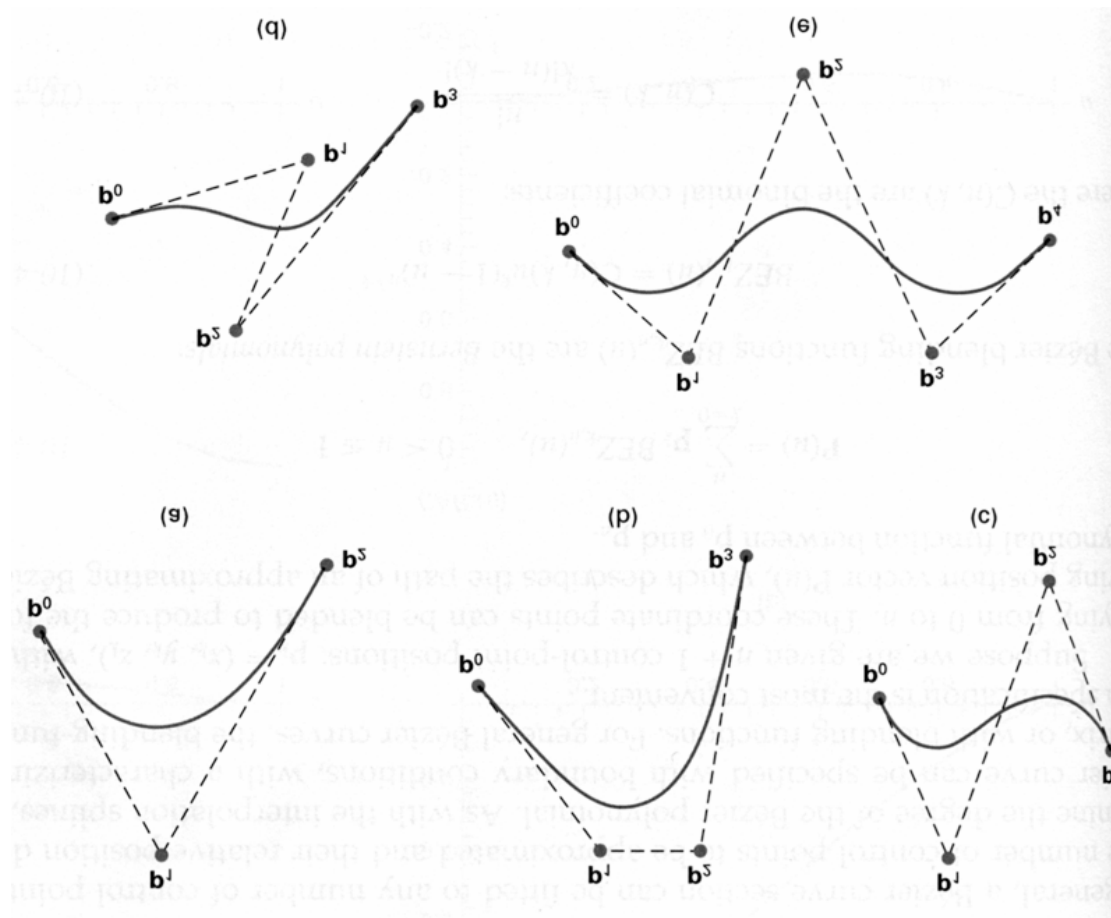
# Bézier Blending Functions

- 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



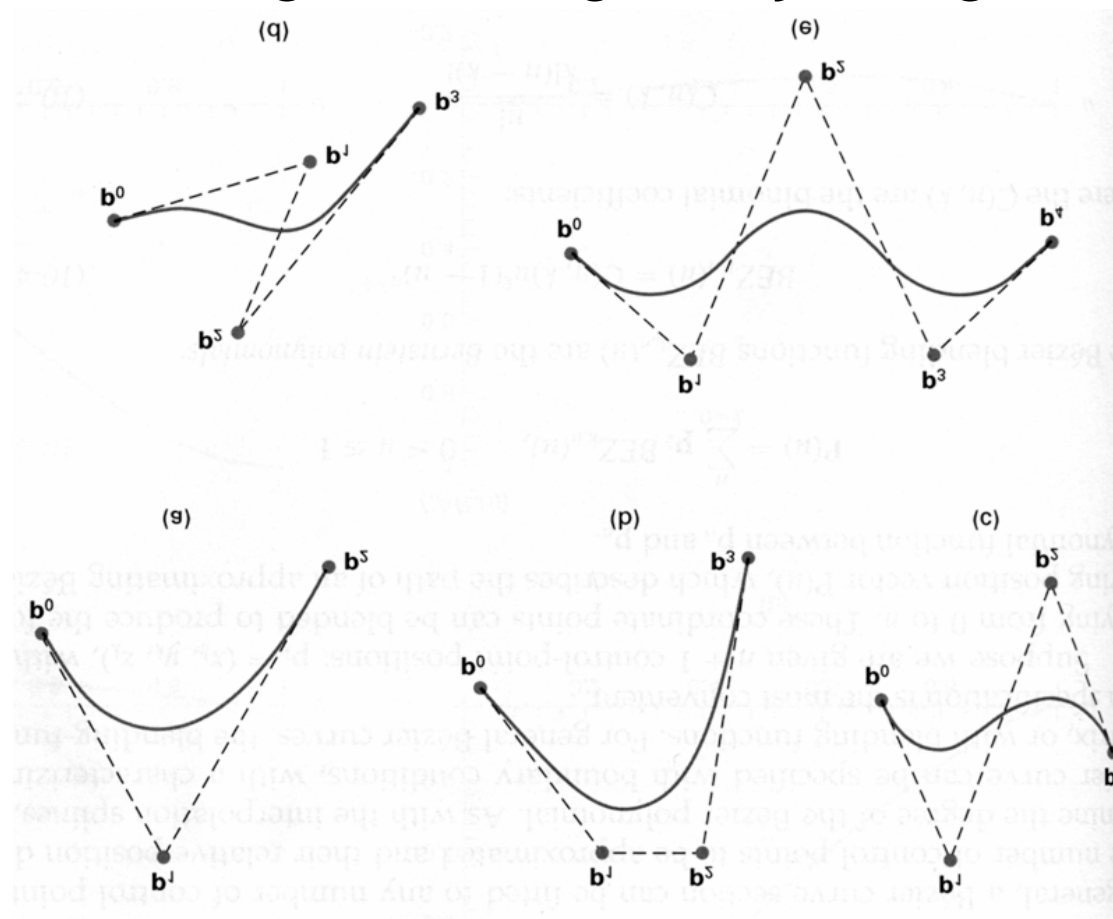
# Bézier Curves

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



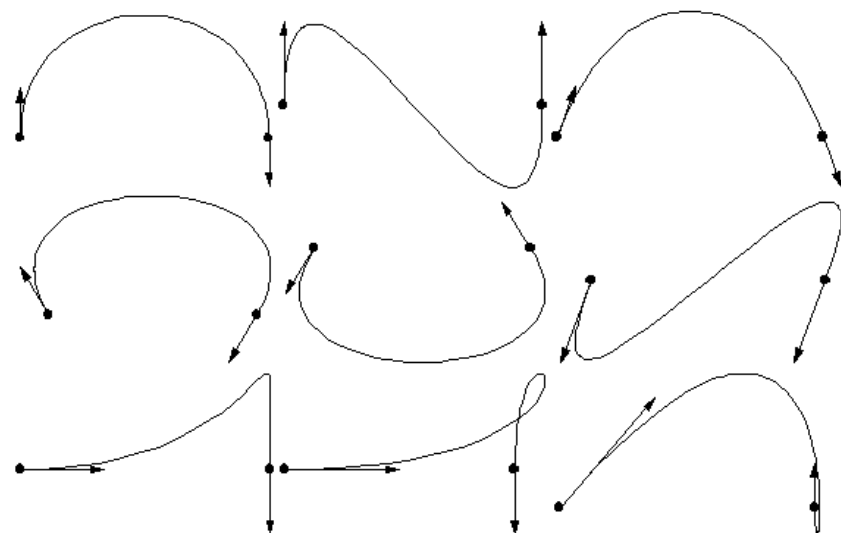
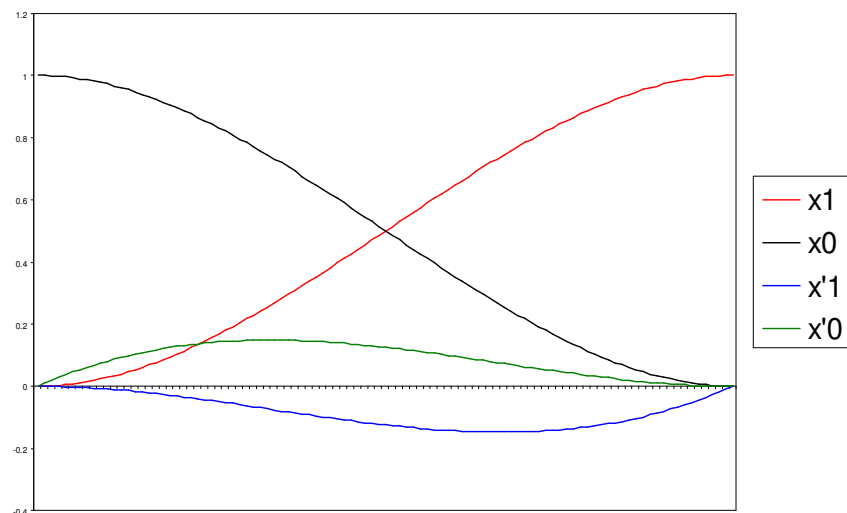
# Bézier Curves

- 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

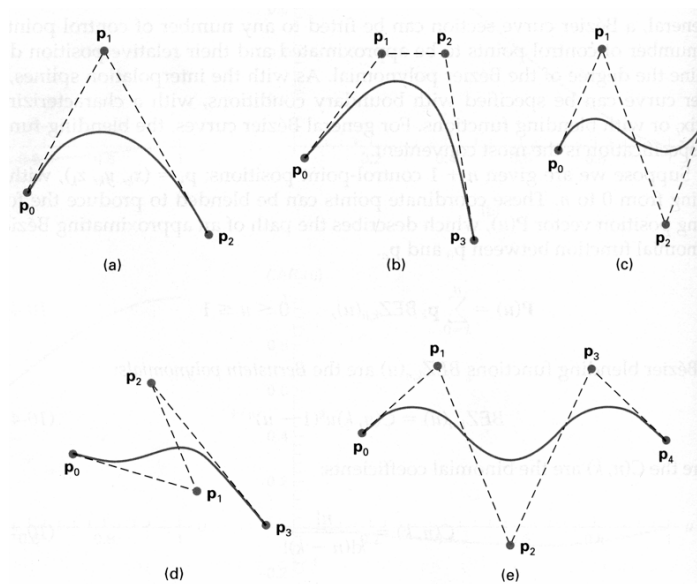
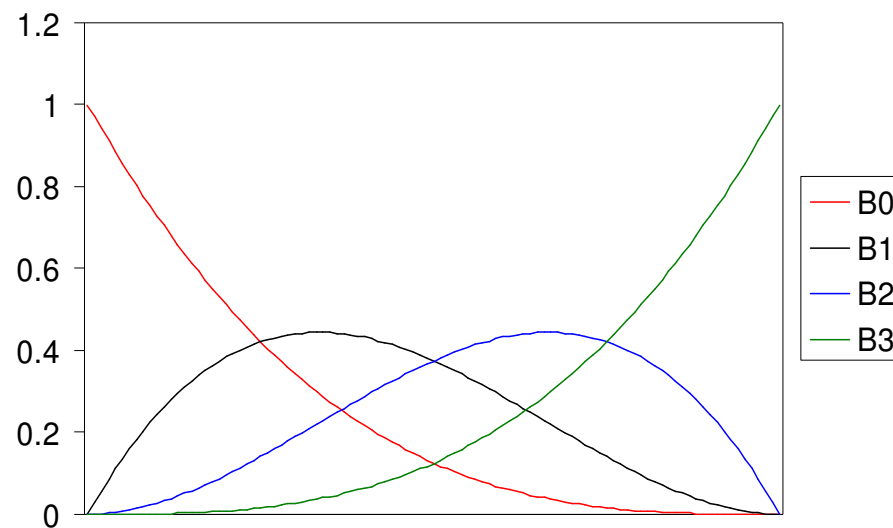


# Comparing Hermite and Bézier

## Hermite

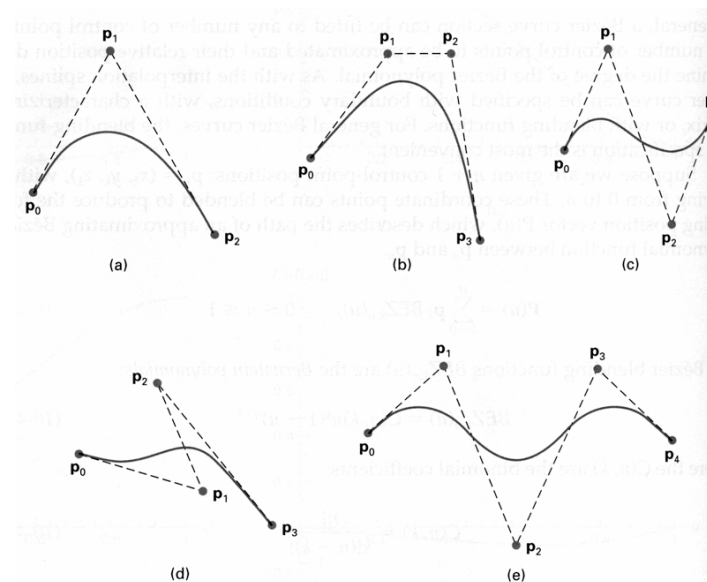
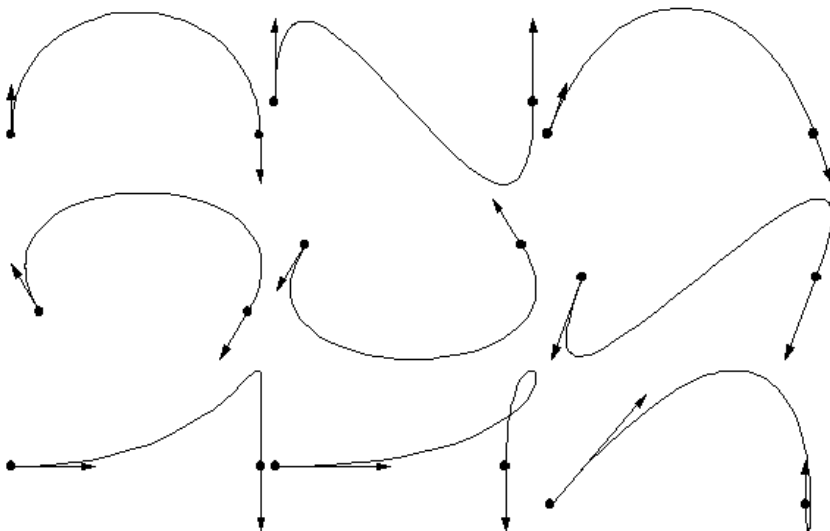
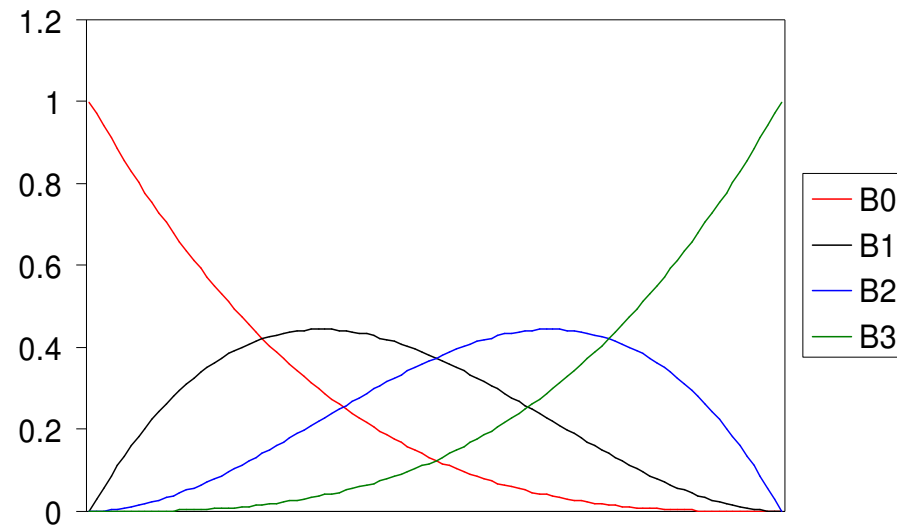
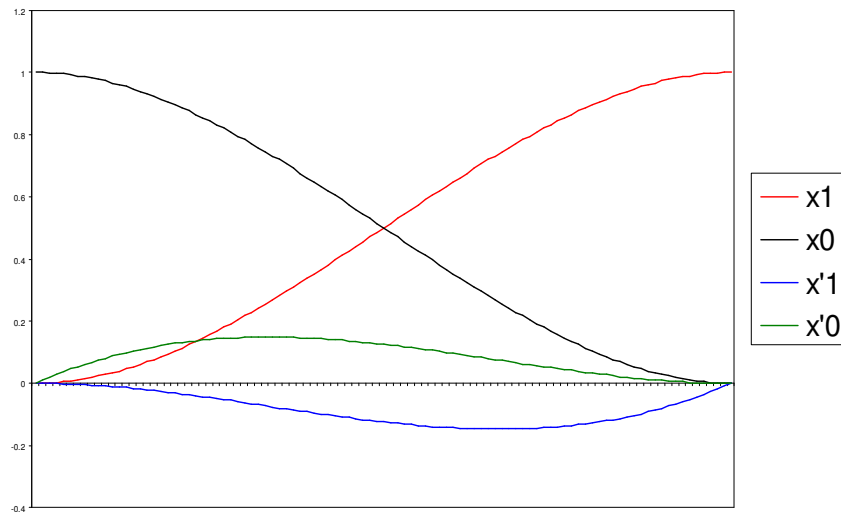


## Bézier



# Comparing Hermite and Bezier

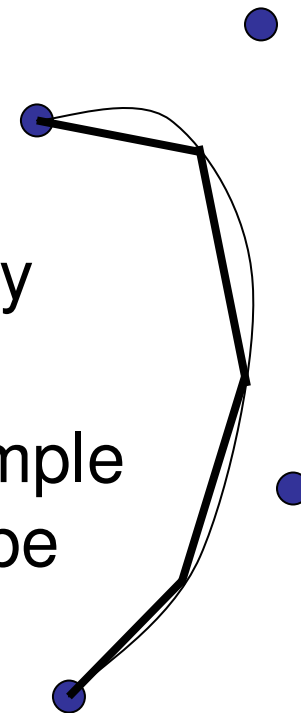
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# Rendering Bezier Curves: Simple

- 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

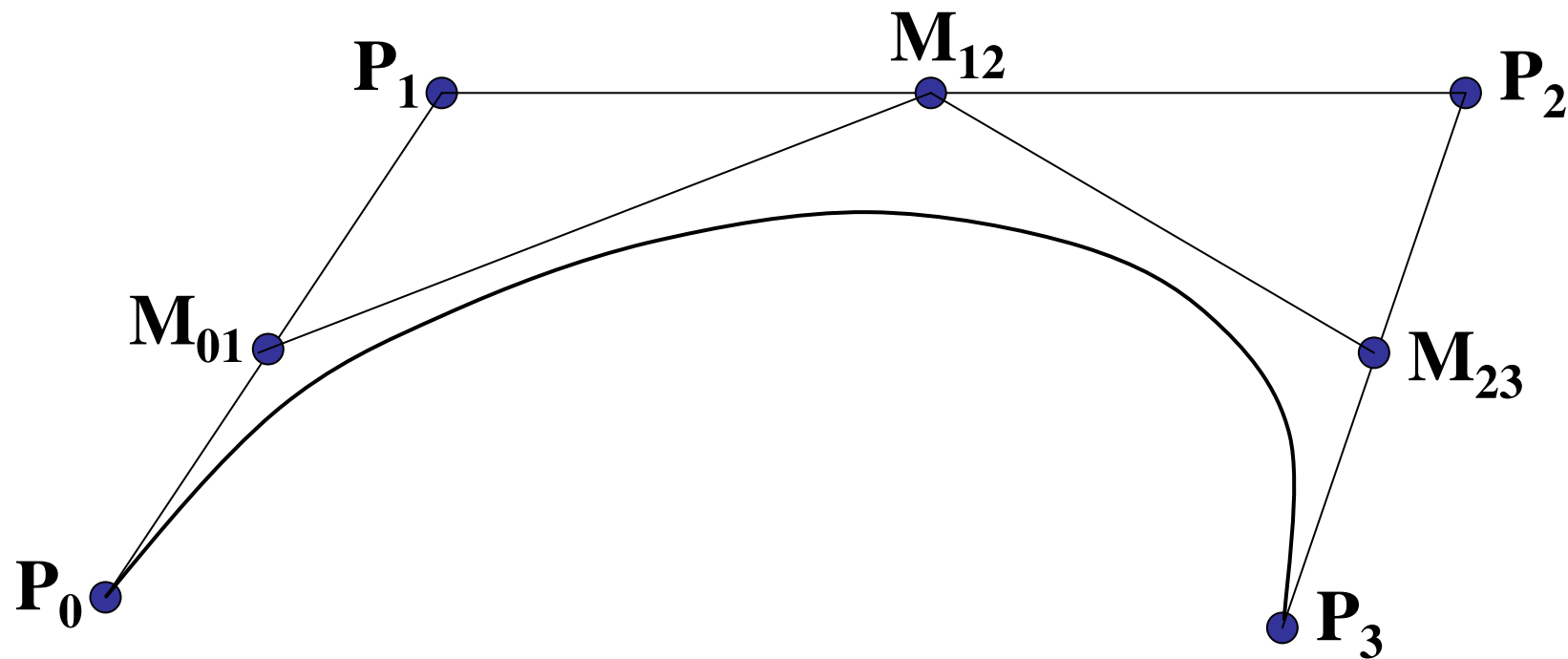


# Rendering Beziers: Subdivision

- 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

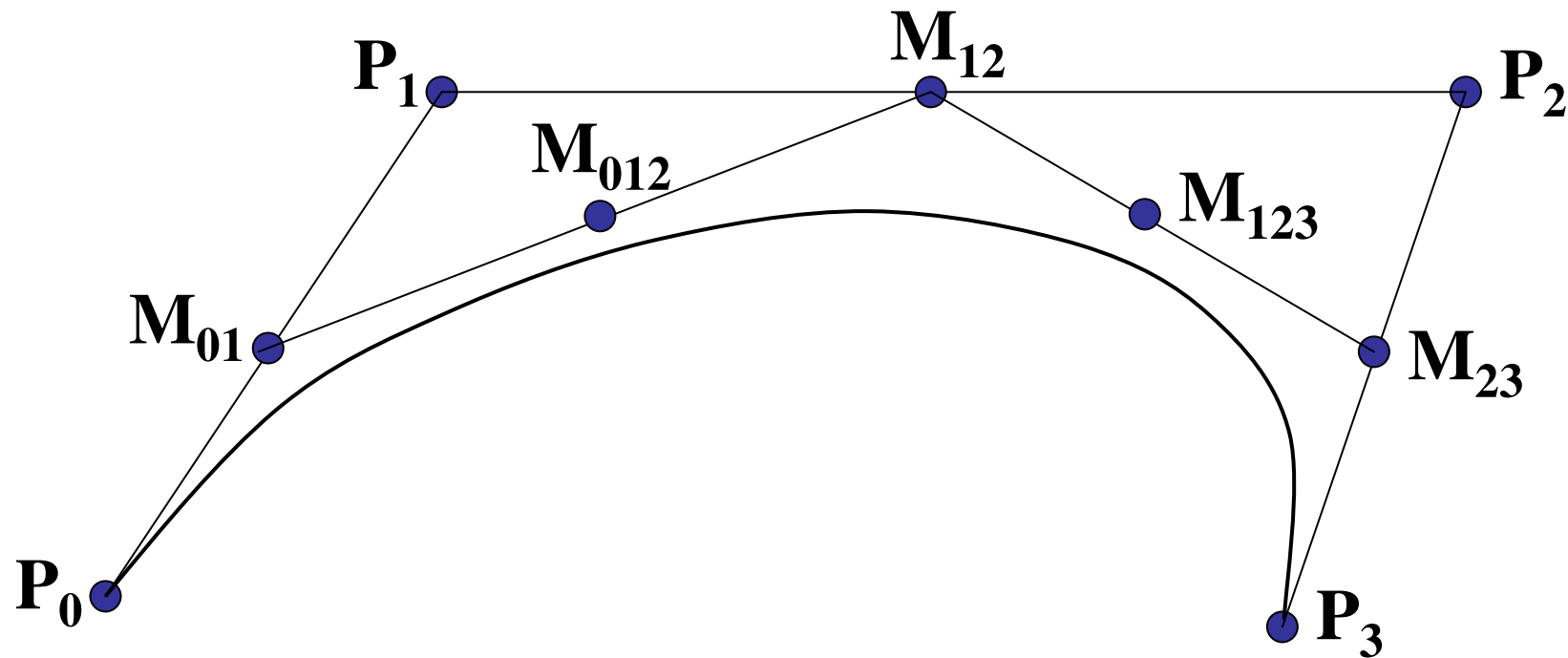
# Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

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



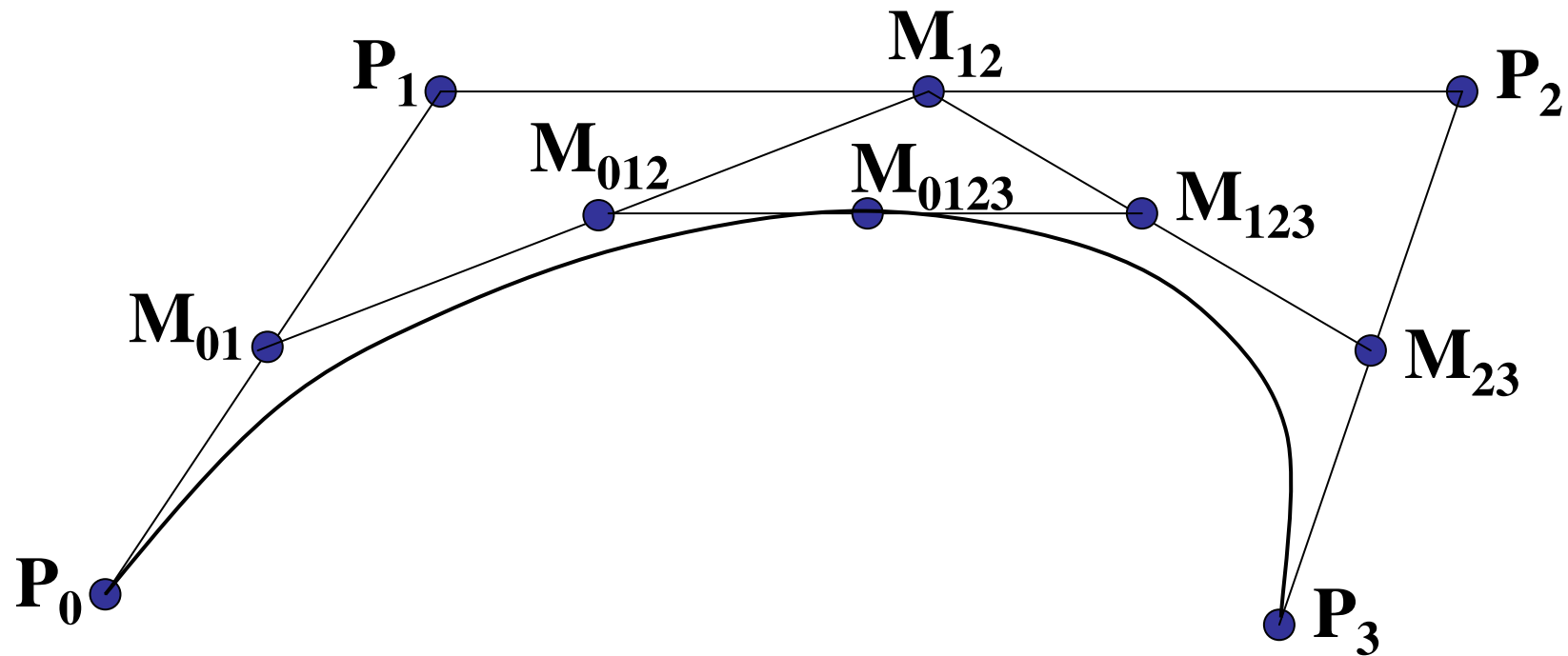
# Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

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



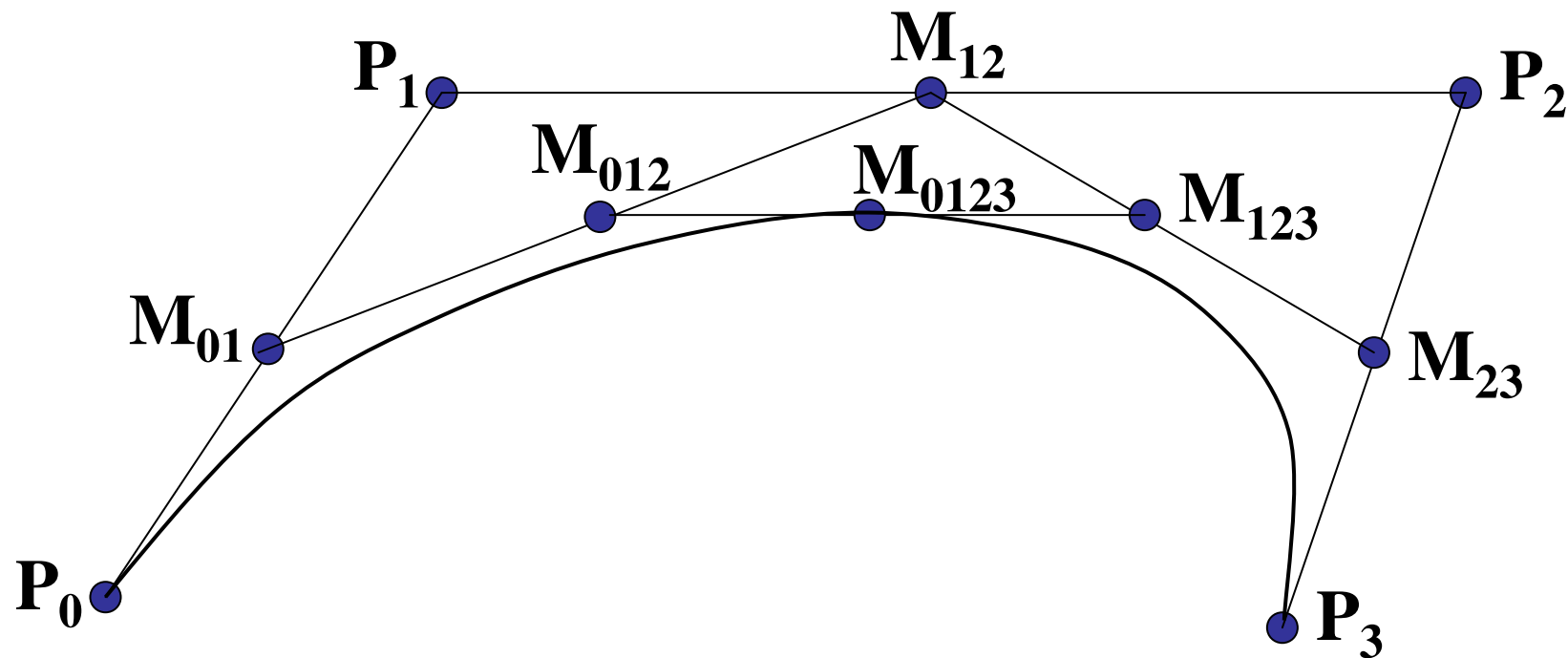
# Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

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



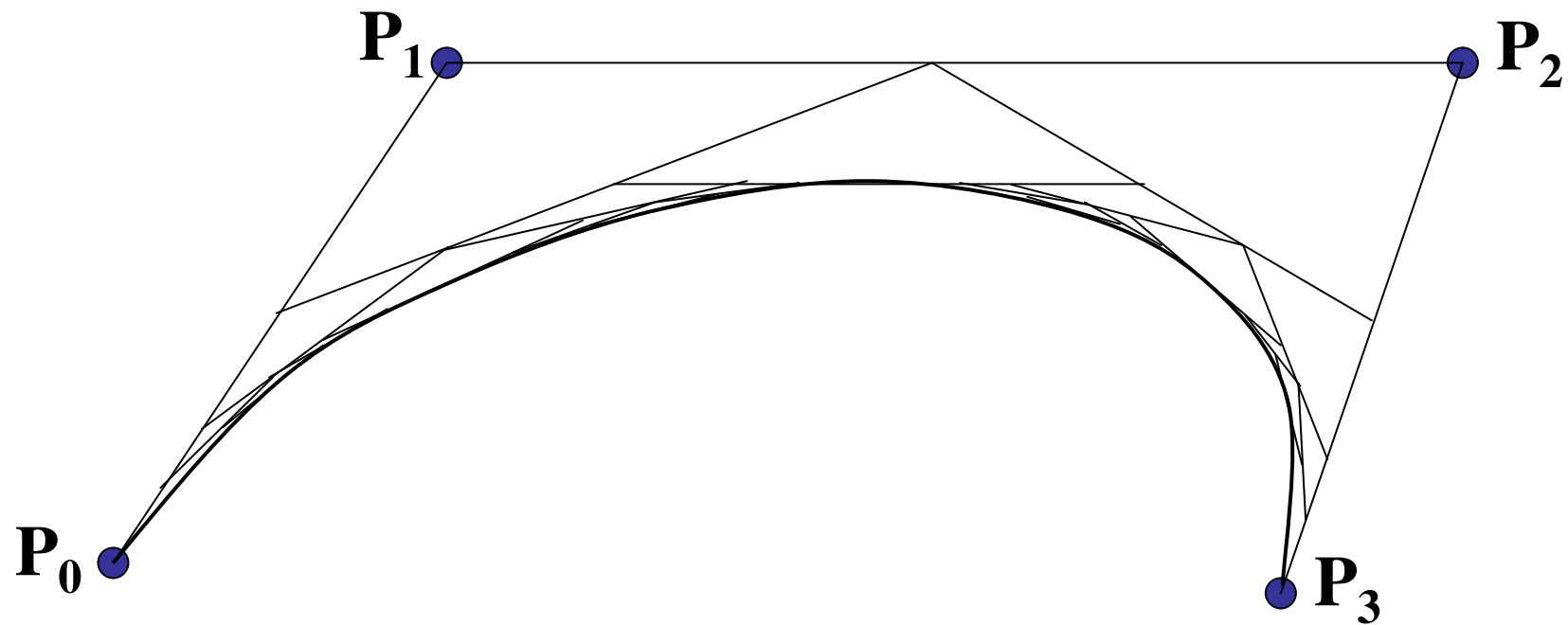
# Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

- 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  $t=1$



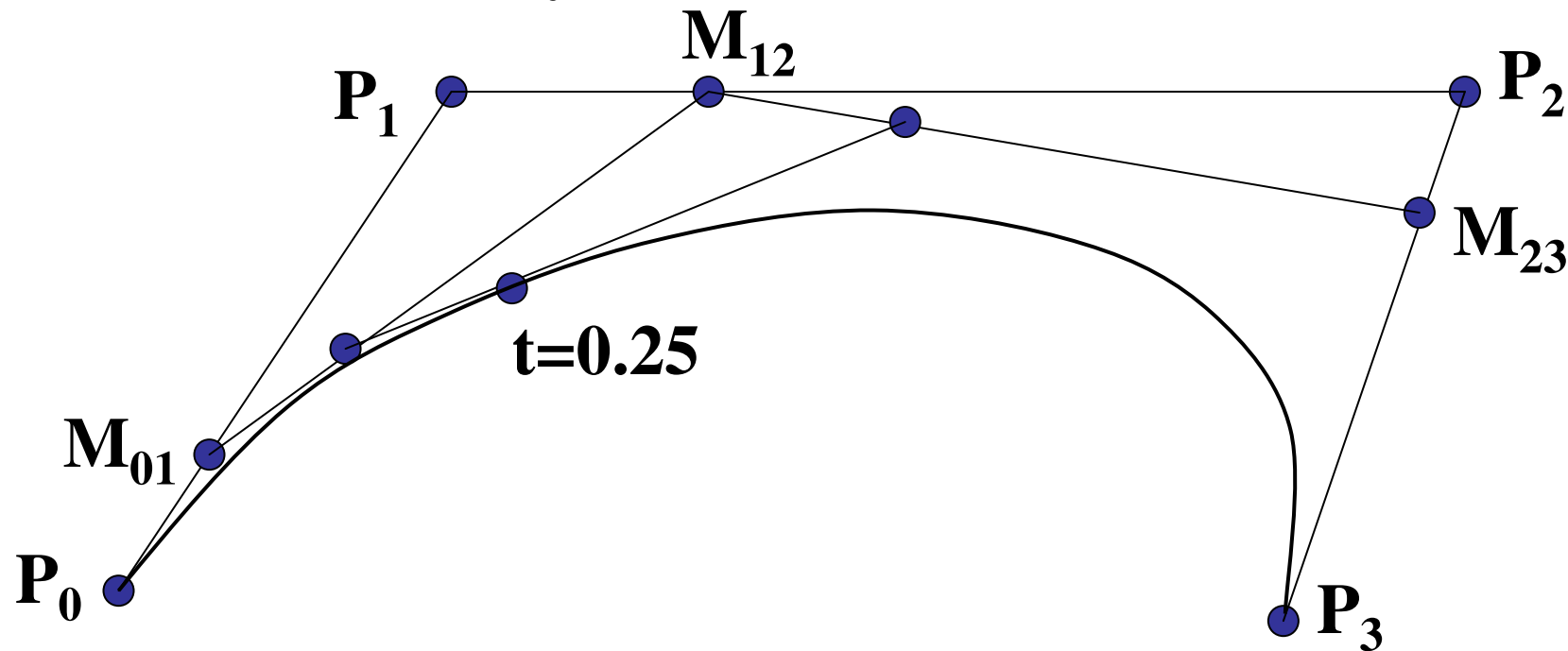
# Sub-Dividing Bezier Curves

- continue process to create smooth curve



# 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



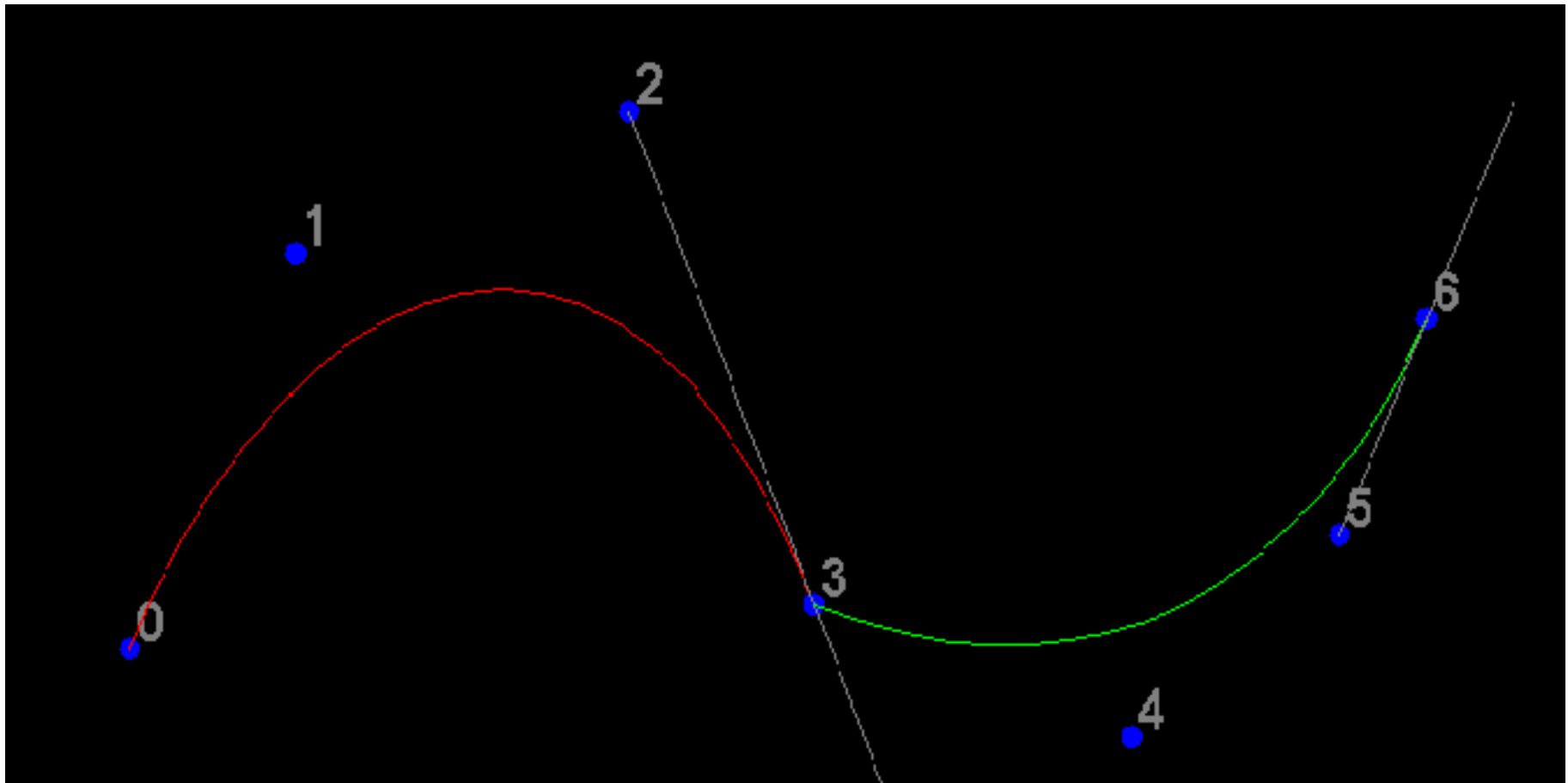
demo: [www.saltire.com/applets/advanced\\_geometry/spline/spline.htm](http://www.saltire.com/applets/advanced_geometry/spline/spline.htm)



# 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

# Piecewise Bezier: Continuity Problems

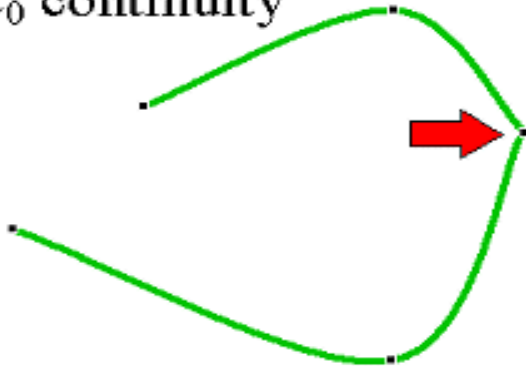


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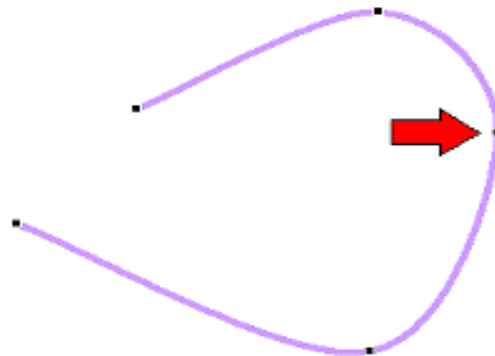
# Continuity

- when two curves joined, typically want some degree of continuity across knot boundary
  - $C_0$ , “C-zero”, point-wise continuous, curves share same point where they join
  - $C_1$ , “C-one”, continuous derivatives
  - $C_2$ , “C-two”, continuous second derivatives

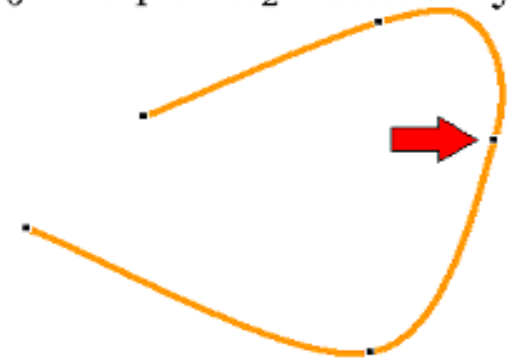
$C_0$  continuity



$C_0$  &  $C_1$  continuity



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# Geometric Continuity

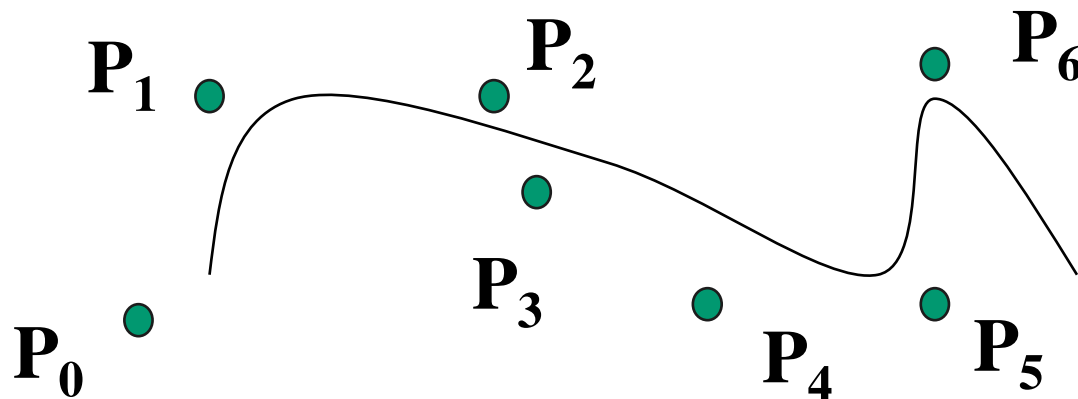
- derivative continuity is important for animation
  - if object moves along curve with constant parametric speed, should be no sudden jump at knots
- for other applications, *tangent continuity* suffices
  - requires that the tangents point in the same direction
  - referred to as  $G^1$  *geometric 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

# 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...

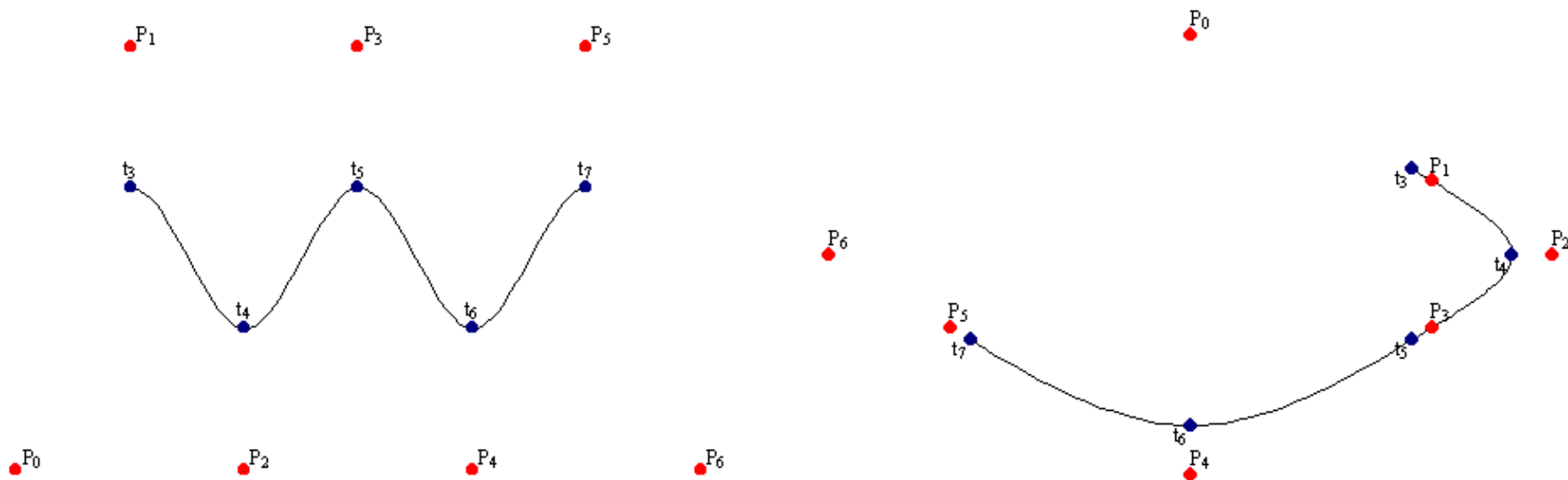
# B-Spline Curve

- 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  $p_i$



# B-Spline

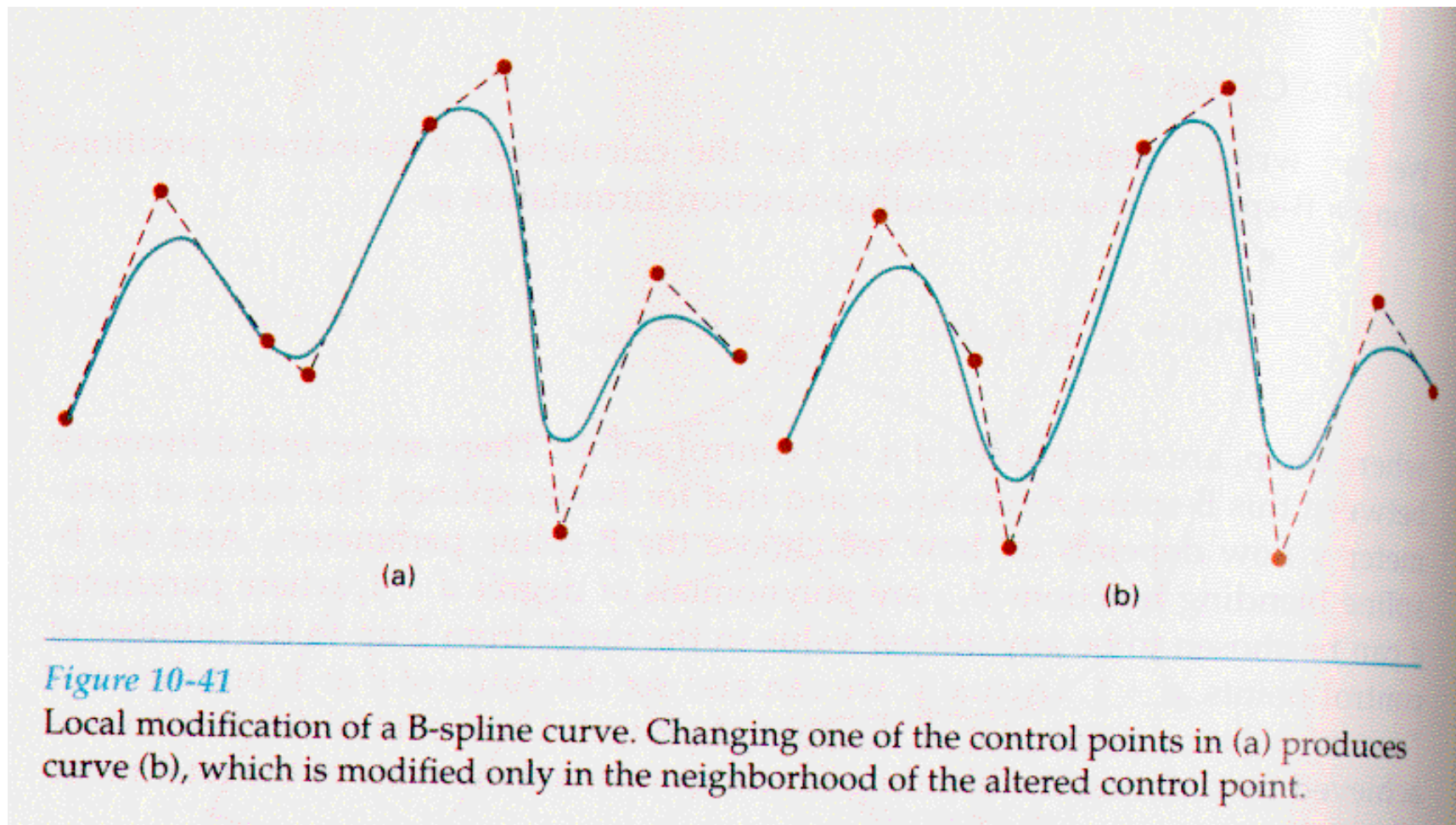
- by far the most popular spline used
- $C_0$ ,  $C_1$ , and  $C_2$  continuous



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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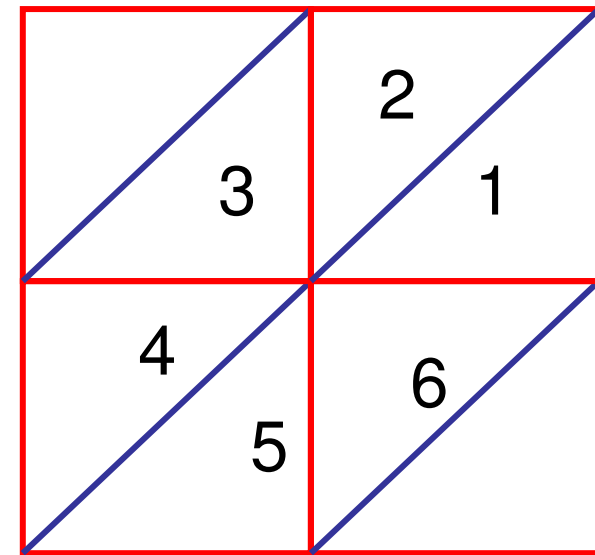
- locality of points





# 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]



## 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

## Project 3: Data Structures

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

# 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

## 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

# 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

# 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

# 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