

# CS559: Computer Graphics

Lecture 19: Curves

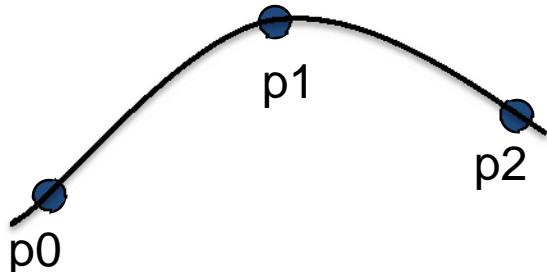
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# Today

- Continue on curve modeling
- Reading
  - Shirley: Ch 15.1 – 15.5

# More control points



$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t + \mathbf{a}_2 t^2$$

$$\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{f}(0) = \mathbf{a}_0 + 0\mathbf{a}_1 + 0^2\mathbf{a}_2$$

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{f}(0.5) = \mathbf{a}_0 + 0.5\mathbf{a}_1 + 0.5^2\mathbf{a}_2$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{f}(1.0) = \mathbf{a}_0 + 1\mathbf{a}_1 + 1^2\mathbf{a}_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0.5 & 0.25 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{C} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{C}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t & t^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \mathbf{t} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{t} \mathbf{B} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

By solving a matrix equation that satisfies the constraints,  
we can get polynomial coefficients

# Two views on polynomial curves

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = [1 \quad t \quad t^2] \mathbf{B} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t + \mathbf{a}_2 t^2$$

From control points  $\mathbf{p}$ ,  
we can compute coefficients  $\mathbf{a}$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = [1 \quad t \quad t^2] \mathbf{B} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(t) &= ([1 \quad t \quad t^2] \mathbf{B}) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [b_0(t) \quad b_1(t) \quad b_2(t)] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = b_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + b_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1 + b_2(t)\mathbf{p}_2$$

Each point on the curve is a linear  
blending of the control points

# What are $b_0(t)$ , $b_1(t)$ , ...?

Two control point case:

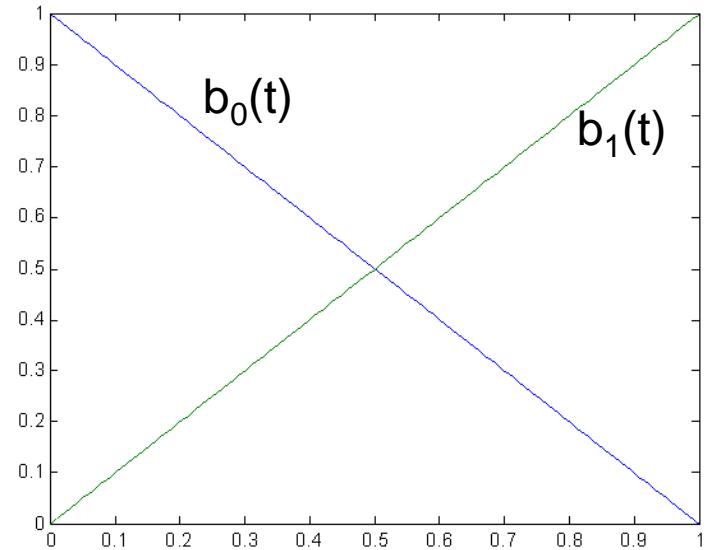
$$\mathbf{f}(t) = ([1 \quad t] \mathbf{B}) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = b_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + b_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[b_0(t) \quad b_1(t)] = [1 \quad t] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [1-t \quad t]$$



# What are $b_0, b_1, \dots$ ?

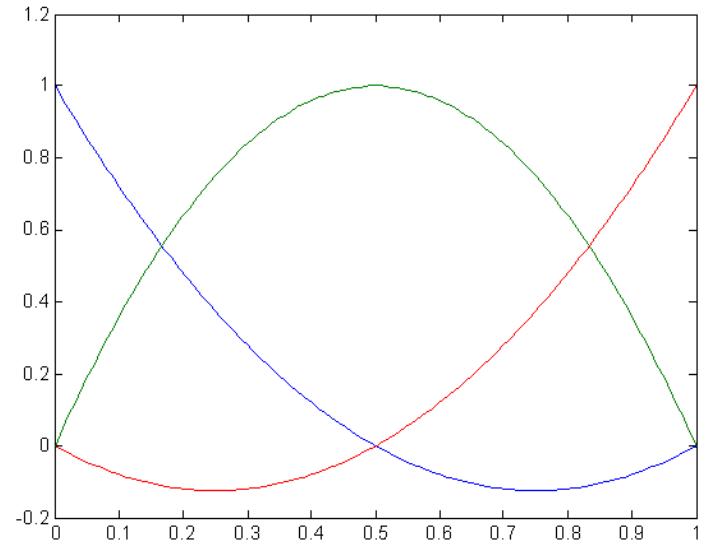
Three control point case:

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = ([1 \quad t \quad t^2] \mathbf{B}) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = b_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + b_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1 + b_2(t)\mathbf{p}_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [b_0(t) \quad b_1(t) \quad b_2(t)] &= [1 \quad t \quad t^2] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 4 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [1 - 3t + 2t^2 \quad 4t - 4t^2 \quad -t + 2t^2] \end{aligned}$$



Which is  $b_0(t)$ ?

$$b_0(t) + b_1(t) + b_2(t) = ? \equiv 1$$

# What are $b_0, b_1, \dots$ ?

Three control point case:

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = ([1 \quad t \quad t^2] \mathbf{B}) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

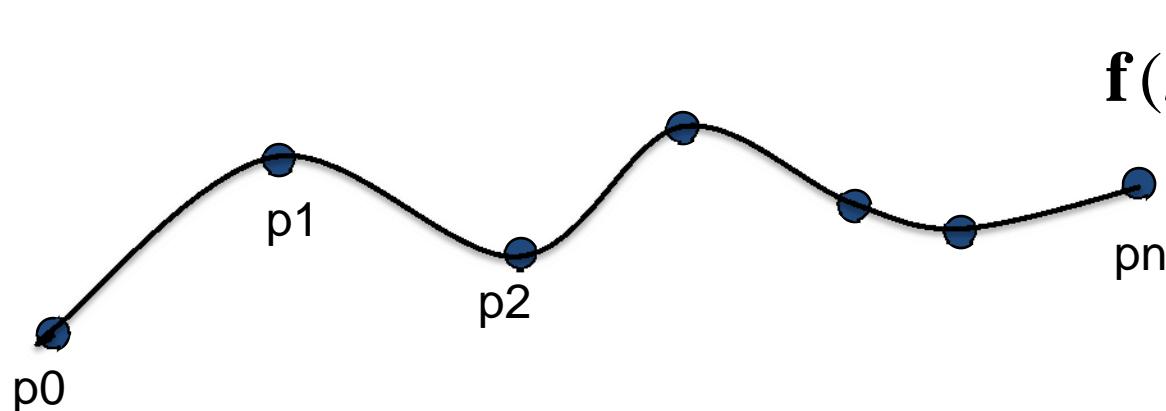
$$\mathbf{f}(t) = b_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + b_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1 + b_2(t)\mathbf{p}_2$$

- Why  $b_0(t) + b_1(t) + b_2(t) \equiv 1$  is important?
  - Translation-invariant interpolation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{d} \\ \mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{d} \\ \mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}_{new}(t) &= b_0(t)(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{d}) + b_1(t)(\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{d}) + b_2(t)(\mathbf{p}_2 + \mathbf{d}) \\ &= b_0(t)\mathbf{p}_0 + b_1(t)\mathbf{p}_1 + b_2(t)\mathbf{p}_2 \\ &\quad + (b_0(t) + b_1(t) + b_2(t))\mathbf{d} \\ &= \mathbf{f}(t) + \mathbf{d} \quad \text{for any } t \end{aligned}$$

# Many control points



$$\mathbf{f}(t_0) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t_0 + \mathbf{a}_2 t_0^2 + \cdots + \mathbf{a}_n t_0^n = \mathbf{p}_0$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t_1) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 t_1^2 + \cdots + \mathbf{a}_n t_1^n = \mathbf{p}_1$$

...

$$\mathbf{f}(t_n) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t_n + \mathbf{a}_2 t_n^2 + \cdots + \mathbf{a}_n t_n^n = \mathbf{p}_n$$

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n \mathbf{a}_i t^i \quad \mathbf{a}_i \in R^3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_0 & \cdots & t_0^n \\ 1 & t_1 & \cdots & t_1^n \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 1 & t_n & \cdots & t_n^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{p}_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Straightforward, but not intuitive

# Many control points

- A shortcut  $\mathbf{f}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i(t) \mathbf{p}_i$  Getting  $b_i(t)$  is easier!

- Goal:  $\mathbf{f}(t_i) = \mathbf{p}_i$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n b_i(t) = ? \equiv 1 \text{ Why?}$$

- Idea:  $b_i(t_i) = 1$

$$b_i(t_j) = 0 \quad j \neq i$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n b_i(t_j) = ? = 1, \forall j = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

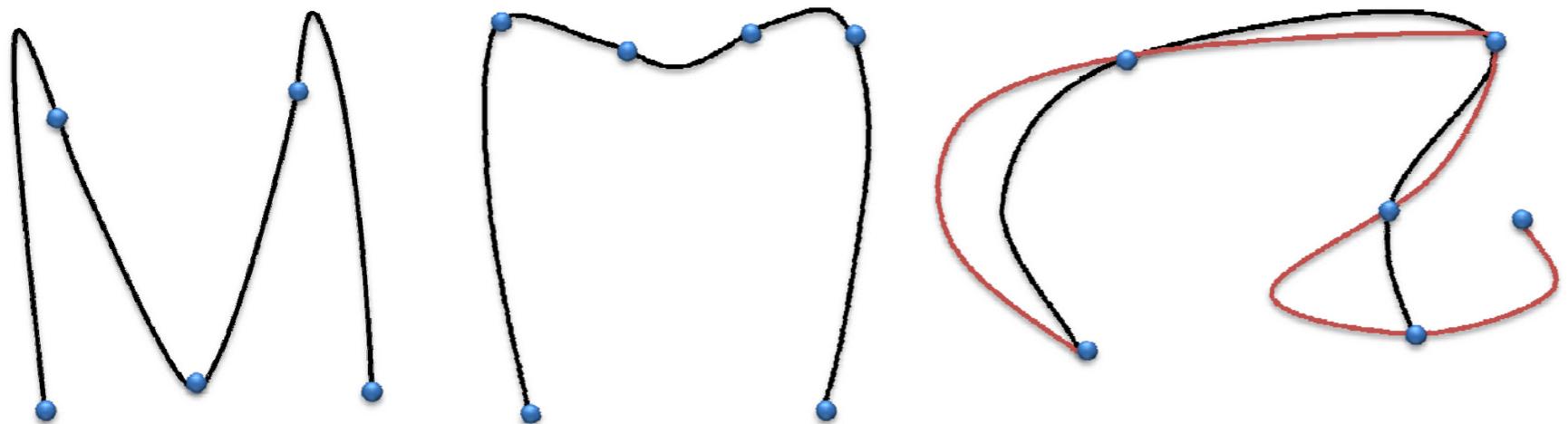
$$B(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i(t) \quad \text{is a polynomial of degree } n$$

- Magic:  $b_i(t) = \prod_{j=0, j \neq i}^n \frac{t - t_j}{t_i - t_j}$

If an n-degree polynomial has the same value at n+1 locations, it must be a constant polynomial

$$= \frac{t - t_0}{t_i - t_0} \frac{t - t_1}{t_i - t_1} \dots \frac{t - t_{i-1}}{t_i - t_{i-1}} \cancel{\frac{t - t_i}{t_i - t_i}} \frac{t - t_{i+1}}{t_i - t_{i+1}} \dots \frac{t - t_n}{t_i - t_n}$$

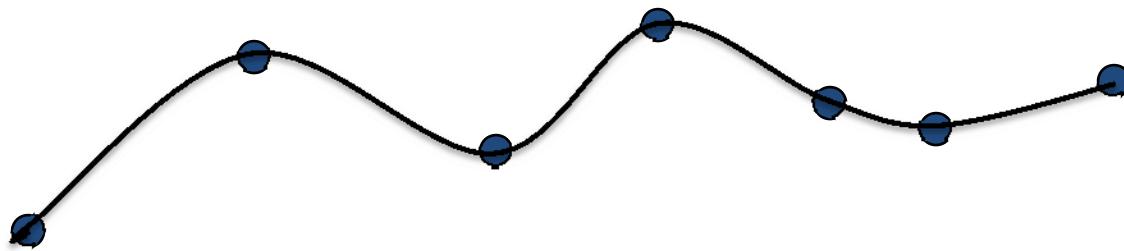
# Lagrange Polynomial Interpolation



# Lagrange Interpolation Demo

- <http://www.math.ucla.edu/~baker/java/hoefer/Lagrange.htm>
- Properties:
  - The curve passes through all the control points
  - Very smooth:  $C^n$  for  $n$  control points
  - Do not have local control
  - Overshooting

# Piecewise Cubic Polynomials

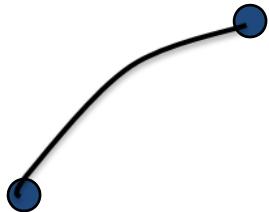


$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t + \mathbf{a}_2 t^2 + \mathbf{a}_3 t^3$$

- Desired Features:
  - Interpolation
  - Local control
  - C1 or C2

# Natural Cubics

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t + \mathbf{a}_2 t^2 + \mathbf{a}_3 t^3$$



$$\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{f}(0) = \mathbf{a}_0 + 0\mathbf{a}_1 + 0^2\mathbf{a}_2 + 0^3\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{f}'(0) = \mathbf{a}_1 + 2 \cdot 0\mathbf{a}_2 + 3 \cdot 0^2\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{f}''(0) = + 2\mathbf{a}_2 + 6 \cdot 0\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{p}_3 = \mathbf{f}(1) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -0.5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Natural Cubics

- If we have  $n$  points, how to use natural cubic to interpolate them?
  - Define the first and second derivatives for the starting point of the first segment.
  - Compute the cubic for the first segment
  - Copy the first and second derivatives for the end point of the first segment to the starting point for the second segment
- How many segments do we have for  $n$  control points?
  - $n-1$

# Natutral Cubic Curves

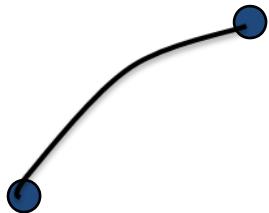
- Demo:

<http://www.cse.unsw.edu.au/~lambert/splines/>

# Natural Cubics

# Hermit Cubics

$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 t + \mathbf{a}_2 t^2 + \mathbf{a}_3 t^3$$



$$\mathbf{p}_0 = \mathbf{f}(0) = \mathbf{a}_0 + 0\mathbf{a}_1 + 0^2\mathbf{a}_2 + 0^3\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{p}_1 = \mathbf{f}'(0) = \mathbf{a}_1 + 2 \cdot 0\mathbf{a}_2 + 3 \cdot 0^2\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{f}(1) = \mathbf{a}_0 + \mathbf{a}_1 + \mathbf{a}_2 + \mathbf{a}_3$$

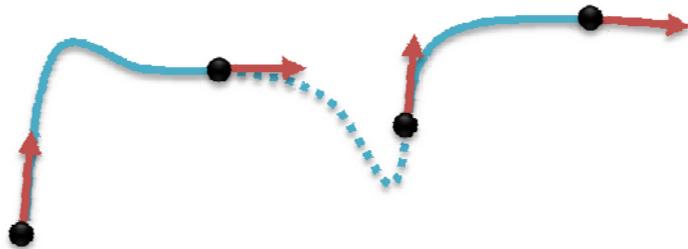
$$\mathbf{p}_3 = \mathbf{f}'(1) = \mathbf{a}_1 + 2\mathbf{a}_2 + 3\mathbf{a}_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Hermite Cubic Curves

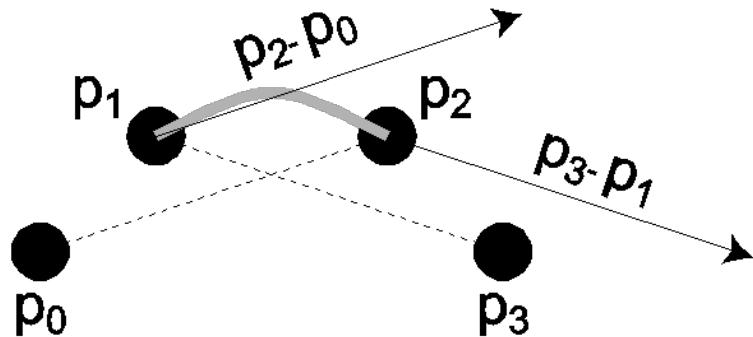
- If we have  $n$  points, how to use Hermite cubic to interpolate them?
  - For each pair, using the first derivatives at starting and ending points to define the inbetween



- How many segments do we have for  $n$  controls?
  - $n/2-1$

# Hermite Cubies

# Catmull-Rom Cubics



$$\mathbf{f}(0) = \mathbf{p}_1$$

$$\mathbf{f}'(0) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{f}(1) = \mathbf{p}_2$$

$$\mathbf{f}'(1) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{p}_1)$$

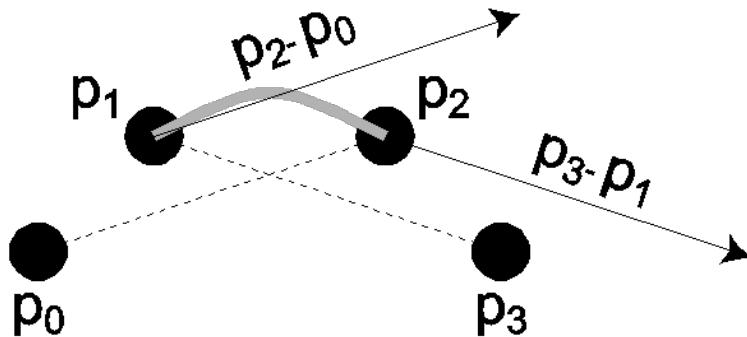
$$\mathbf{C}_{Hermite} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}(0) \\ \mathbf{f}'(0) \\ \mathbf{f}(1) \\ \mathbf{f}'(1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -0.5 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -0.5 & 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{B}_{Catmull} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Catmull-Rom Cubic Curves

- Demo
- <http://www.cse.unsw.edu.au/~lambert/splines/CatmullRom.html>
- n control points define n-2 segments
- Changing 1 point affects neighboring 4 segments

# Cardinal Cubics



$$\mathbf{f}(0) = \mathbf{p}_1$$

$$\mathbf{f}'(0) = s \cdot (\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{p}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{f}(1) = \mathbf{p}_2$$

$$\mathbf{f}'(1) = s \cdot (\mathbf{p}_3 - \mathbf{p}_1)$$

$s$ : tension control

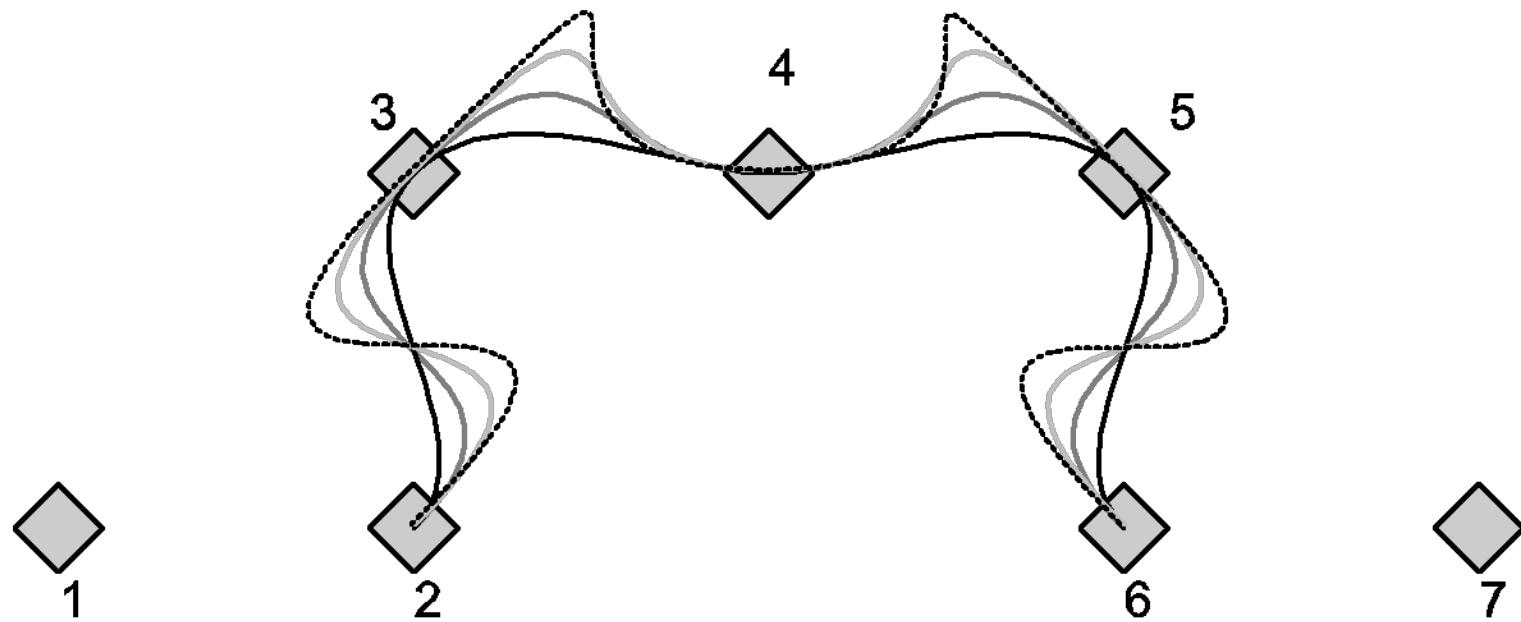
$$\mathbf{C}_{Hermite} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}(0) \\ \mathbf{f}'(0) \\ \mathbf{f}(1) \\ \mathbf{f}'(1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s & 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -s & 0 & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{B}_{Cardinal} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_0 \\ \mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathbf{a}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -s & 0 & s & 0 \\ 2s & s-3 & 3-2s & -s \\ -s & 2-s & s-2 & s \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_0 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \\ \mathbf{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Cardinal Cubic Curves

- 4 different s values



	<b>Interpolate control points</b>	<b>Has local control</b>	<b>C2 continuity</b>
Natural cubics	Yes	No	Yes
Hermite cubics	Yes	Yes	No
Cardinal Cubics			