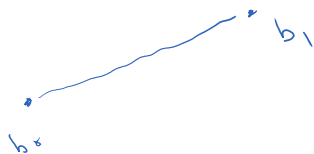
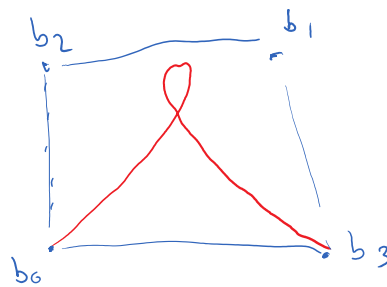
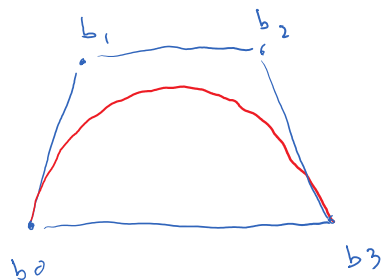


Similarities between linear & cubic interpolation

- ① The coefficients ("t" terms) sum to one
- ② The #ctrl pts = degree + 1
- ③ $p(0)$ gives the first control pt
 $p(1)$ gives the last control pt

- ④ (less obvious) The curve is always w/in the region bounded by the control pts, for $t \in [0, 1]$

EX



Both linear & cubic interpolation curves are examples of Bezier curves.

→ any degree curve can be used to interpolate 2 points

An n^{th} -degree Bezier curve has the form

$$p(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n \underbrace{B_i^n(t)}_{\text{Bernstein Polynomial}} b_i$$

$\underbrace{B_i^n(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}}_{\text{Bernstein Polynomial}}$

$\underbrace{b_i}_{\text{ctrl pt}}$

$\underbrace{t^i}_{\text{ex: terms } = t^1 \text{ if } i=1}$

ex. terms = tⁿ with in them

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note: $\binom{n}{i} = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$

EX Derive an expression for a degree-1 Bezier curve.

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= \sum_{i=0}^1 B_i(t) b_i = B_0(t) b_0 + B_1(t) b_1 \\ &= \binom{1}{0} t^0 (1-t)^{1-0} b_0 + \binom{1}{1} t^1 (1-t)^{1-1} b_1 \\ &= (1-t) b_0 + t b_1 \end{aligned}$$

note: $\binom{1}{0} = \frac{1!}{0!(1-0)!} = 1$

$\binom{1}{1} = \frac{1!}{1!(1-1)!} = 1$

note: $0! = 1$

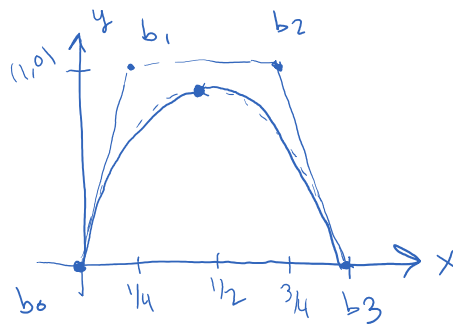
Properties of Bernstein polynomials

① $B_i^n(t) \in [0, 1]$ when $t \in [0, 1]$

② $\sum_{i=0}^n B_i^n(t) = 1$

Exercise Draw the ctrl pts & curve for the following points.

$$\begin{aligned} b_0 &= (0, 0)^T \\ b_1 &= \left(\frac{1}{4}, 1\right)^T \\ b_2 &= \left(\frac{3}{4}, 1\right)^T \\ b_3 &= (1, 0)^T \end{aligned}$$



Compute value at $t = 1/2$

$$\begin{aligned} p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^3 b_0 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 b_1 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) b_2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 b_3 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 b_0 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 b_1 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 b_2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 b_3 \\ &= \frac{1}{8} [b_0 + 3b_1 + 3b_2 + b_3] \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + 3 \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 + 3/4 + 9/4 + 1 \\ 0 + 3 + 3 + 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \frac{1}{8} \begin{pmatrix} 13/4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \begin{bmatrix} 3/4 + 9/4 + 4/4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{8} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 3/4 \end{bmatrix}$$

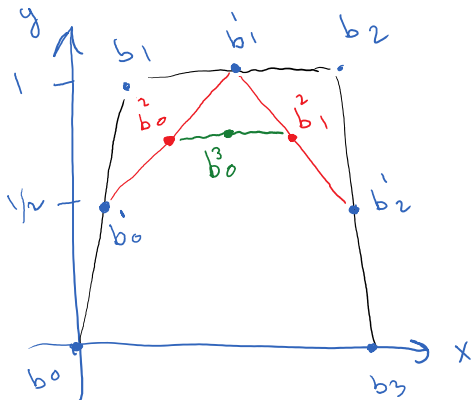
Implementation :

How to compute $p(t)$ given t .

- ① Direct computation of $p(t)$
- ② De Casteljau's algorithm

De Casteljau's Algorithm :

Consider the same curve as before. Use de Casteljau's alg. to compute $p(1/2)$



Notation :

$$\text{LERP}(b_i, b_{i+1}, t) = b_i(1-t) + b_{i+1}t$$

$i \leftarrow$ "level"
 $b_0 \leftarrow$ "start of lerp"

$$\underbrace{\begin{aligned} \text{LERP}(b_0, b_1, t) &= b_0^1 \\ \text{LERP}(b_1, b_2, t) &= b_1^1 \\ \text{LERP}(b_2, b_3, t) &= b_2^1 \end{aligned}}_{\text{"level 1"}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{aligned} \text{LERP}(b_0^1, b_1^1, t) &= b_0^2 \\ \text{LERP}(b_1^1, b_2^1, t) &= b_1^2 \end{aligned}}_{\text{"level 2"}} \quad \underbrace{\text{LERP}(b_0^2, b_1^2, t) = b_0^3}_{\text{"level 3"} \rightarrow p(t)}$$

Level 1 :

$$\dots (1-t) + b_1 t = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b'_1 = b_1(1-t) + b_2 t = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b'_2 = b_2(1-t) + b_3 t = \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 7/8 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Level 2:

$$b''_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/8 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/16 \\ 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b''_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \begin{pmatrix} 7/8 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 11/16 \\ 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Level 3:

$$b'''_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 5/16 \\ 3/4 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} + \begin{pmatrix} 11/16 \\ 3/4 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 16/32 \\ 6/4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Advantages & Disadvantages:

de Casteljau

- + simple
- + generalizes any degree Bezier curve
- + numerically stable

Direct computation w/ Bernstein polynomials

- powers of small values numerically unstable
- + generalizes to any degree Bezier
- + easy to take derivatives

Drawing curves

Implement piecewise linear curve

for (float t=0; t<1; t+=step)

a = p(t)

b = p(t+step)

drawLine(a,b)

More Properties of Bezier Curves:

Affine Invariance: to translate, rotate, scale a curve, we only need to modify the ctrl pts

Linear Precision: when all ctrl pts are co-linear, the curve is a line

Morphs & Animation :

to animate a curve, animate its ctrl pts