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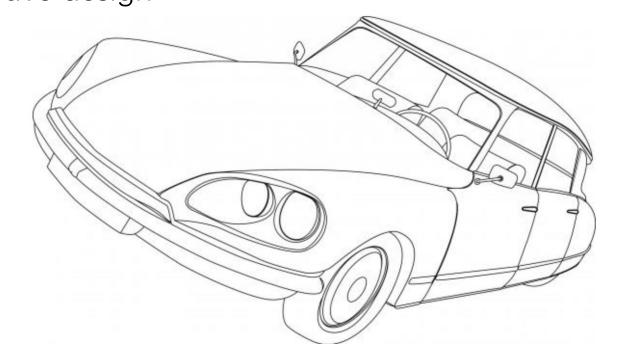
## Bézier Curves

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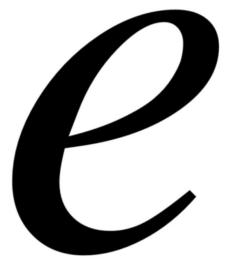
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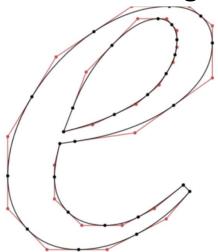
- Bézier curves/splines developed by
  - Paul de Casteljau at Citroen (1959)
  - Pierre Bézier at Renault (1963) for free-form parts in automotive design



#### Bézier curves

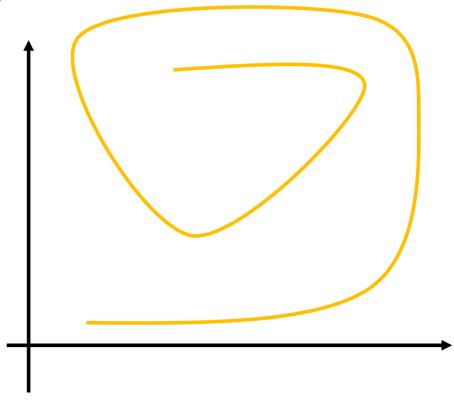
- Today: Standard tool for 2D curve editing
- Cubic 2D Bézier curves are everywhere:
  - Inkscape, Corel Draw, Adobe Illustrator, Powerpoint, ...
  - PDF, Truetype (quadratic curves), Windows GDI, ...
- Widely used in 3D curve & surface modeling as well





### Curve representation

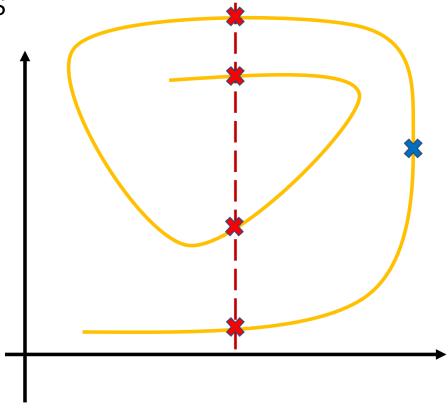
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• The implicit curve form f(x,y) = 0 suffers from several limitations:

- Multiple values for the same x-coordinates
- Undefined derivative  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  (see blue cross)
- Not invariant w.r.t axes transformations



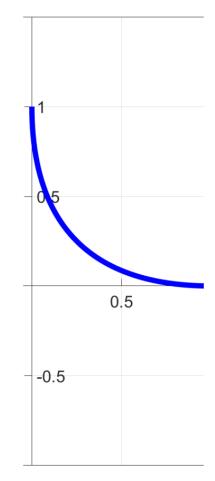
#### Parametric representation

• Remedy: parametric representation c(t) = (x(t), y(t))

- Easy evaluations
- The parameter t can be interpreted as time
- The curve can be interpreted as the path traced by a moving particle

#### Modeling with the power basis, ...

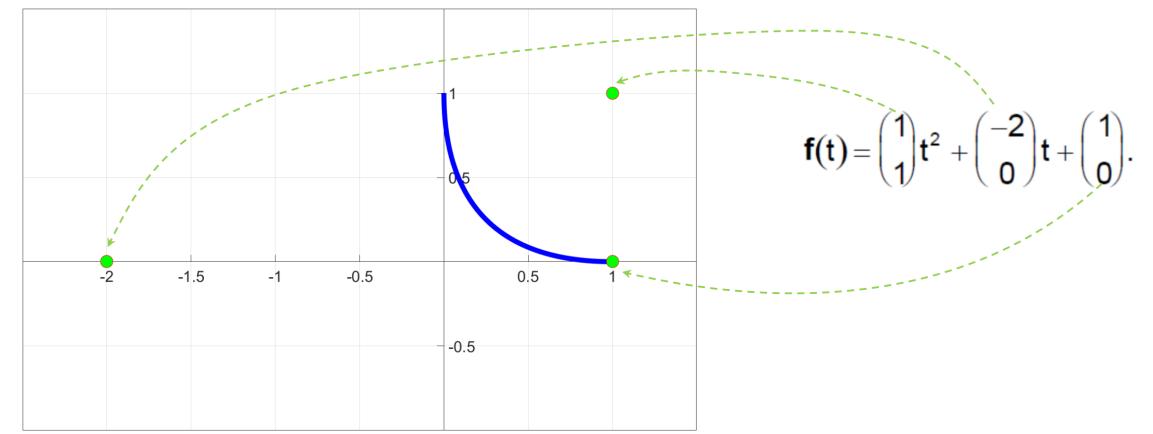
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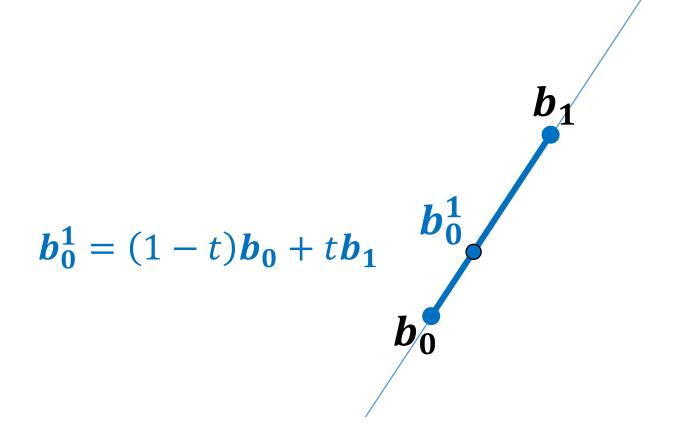
$$f(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} t^2 + \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} t + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Modeling with the power basis, … no thanks!

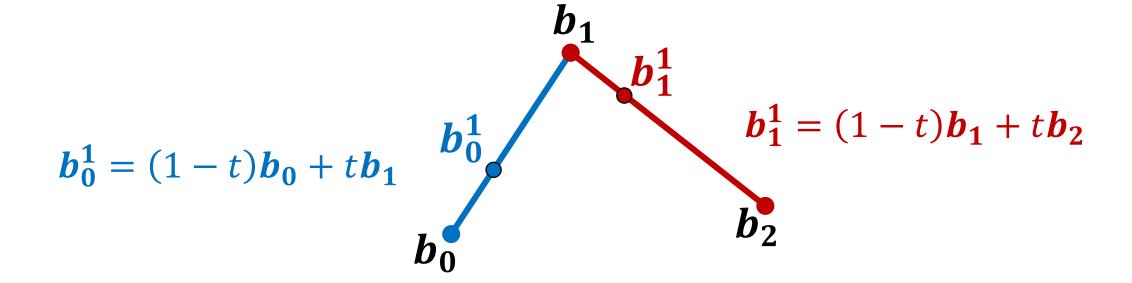
• Examples of a parabola:  $f(t) = at^2 + bt + c$ : the coefficients of the power basis lack intuitive geometric meaning



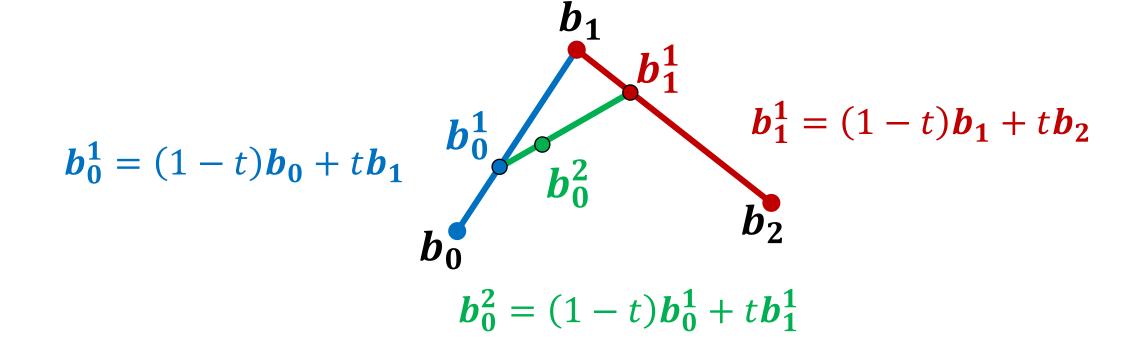
A point on a parametric line



Another point on a second parametric line



• A third point on the line defined by the first two points



And then simplify...

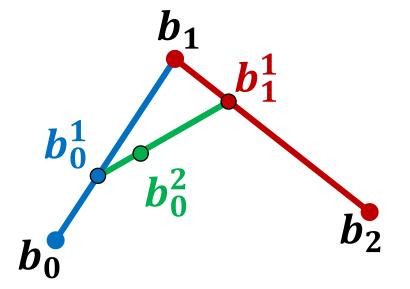
$$\boldsymbol{b_0^1} = (1 - t)\boldsymbol{b_0} + t\boldsymbol{b_1}$$

$$b_0^2 = (1-t)b_0^1 + tb_1^1$$

$$b_1^1 = (1 - t)b_1 + tb_2$$

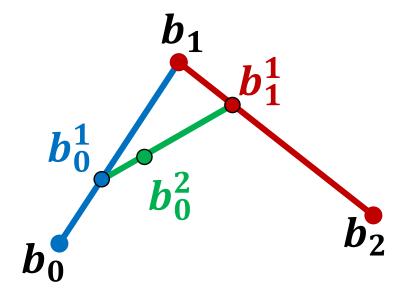
$$\boldsymbol{b_0^2} = (1-t)[(1-t)\boldsymbol{b_0} + t\boldsymbol{b_1}] + t[(1-t)\boldsymbol{b_1} + t\boldsymbol{b_2}]$$

$$\boldsymbol{b_0^2} = (1-t)^2 \boldsymbol{b_0} + 2t(1-t)\boldsymbol{b_1} + t^2 \boldsymbol{b_2}$$



 We obtained another description of parabolic curves

• The coefficients  $b_0$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$  have a geometric meaning



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#### Example re-visited

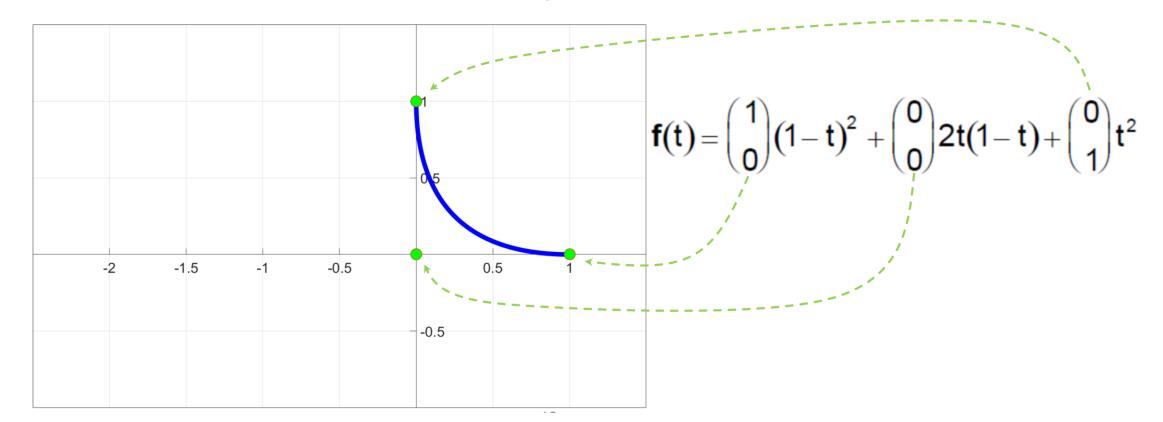
• Let's rewrite our initial parabolic curve example in the new basis

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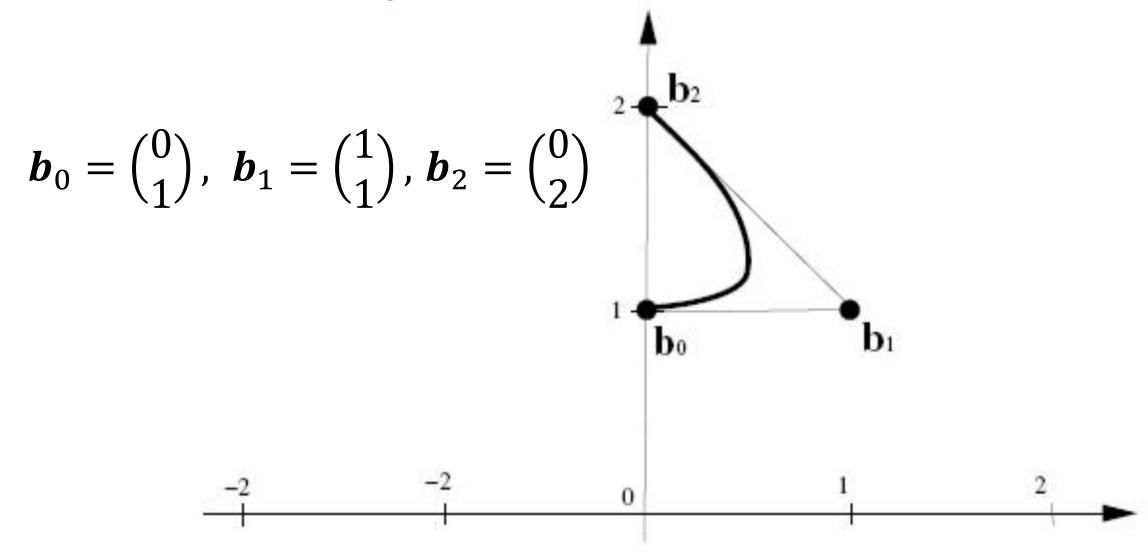
$$f(t) = {1 \choose 0} (1-t)^2 + {0 \choose 0} 2t(1-t) + {0 \choose 1} t^2$$

### Example re-visited

- The coefficient have a geometric meaning
- More intuitive for curve manipulation



#### Another example



#### Going further

Cubic approximation

• Given 4 points:

$$p_0^0(t) = p_0$$
,  $p_1^0(t) = p_1$ ,  $p_2^0(t) = p_2$ ,  $p_3^0(t) = p_3$ 

First iteration

$$p_0^1 = (1-t)p_0 + tp_1$$

$$p_1^1 = (1-t)p_1 + tp_2$$

$$p_2^1 = (1-t)p_2 + tp_3$$

• 2<sup>nd</sup> iteration

$$\mathbf{p}_0^2 = (1-t)^2 \mathbf{p}_0 + 2t(1-t)\mathbf{p}_1 + t^2 \mathbf{p}_2$$

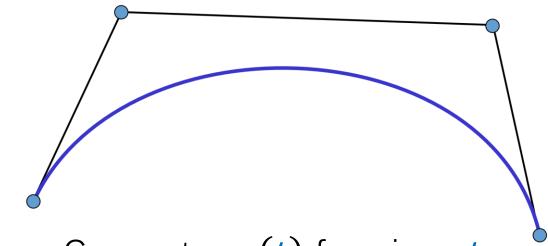
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Curve

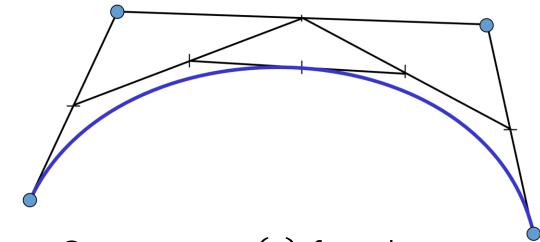
$$c(t) = (1-t)^3 p_0 + 3t(1-t)^2 p_1 + 3t^2(1-t)p_2 + t^3 p_3$$

Throughout these examples, we just re-invented a primitive version of the de Casteljau algorithm

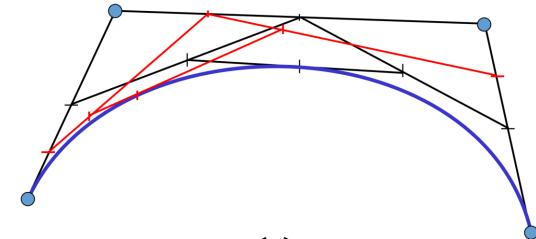
Now let's examine it more closely ...



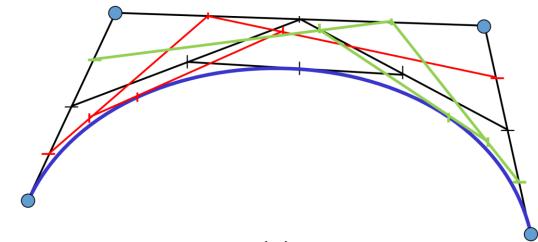
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  - Bisect control polygon in ratio t:(1-t)
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- Algorithm description
  - Input: points  $b_0, b_1, ... b_n \in \mathbb{R}^3$
  - Output: curve  $x(t), t \in [0,1]$

$$\boldsymbol{b}_0$$
,  $\boldsymbol{b}_1$ , ...  $\boldsymbol{b}_n \in \mathbb{R}^3$ 

• Geometric construction of the points x(t) for given t:

$$\mathbf{b}_{i}^{0}(t) = \mathbf{b}_{i}, \qquad i = 0, ..., n$$

$$\mathbf{b}_{i}^{r}(t) = (1 - t)\mathbf{b}_{i}^{r-1}(t) + t \mathbf{b}_{i+1}^{r-1}(t)$$

$$r = 1, ..., n \qquad i = 0, ..., n - r$$

• Then  $\boldsymbol{b}_0^n(t)$  is the searched curve point  $\boldsymbol{x}(t)$  at the parameter value t

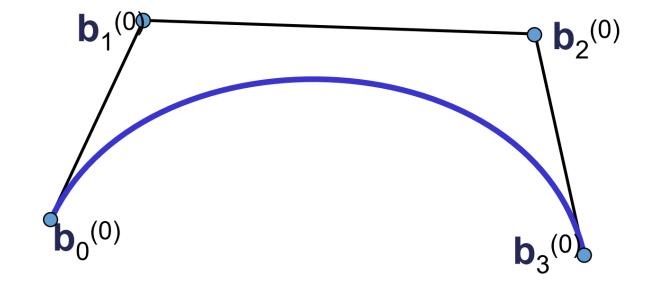
Repeated convex combination of control points

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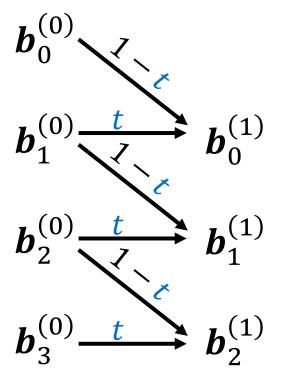
 $b_2^{(0)}$ 

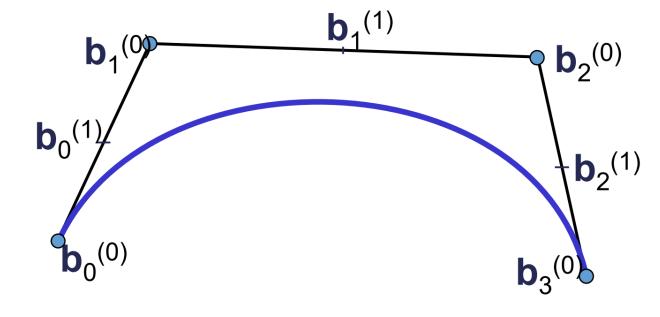


$$b_3^{(0)}$$

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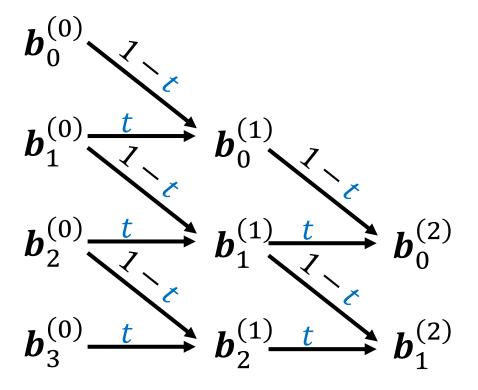
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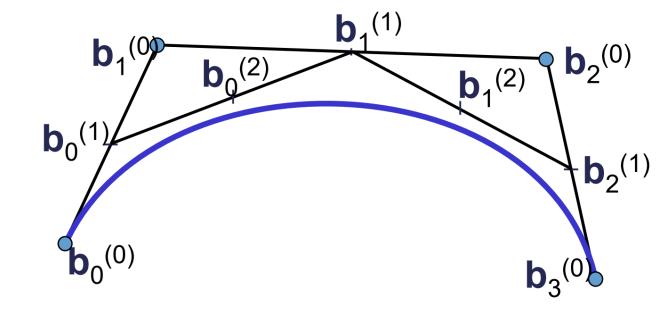




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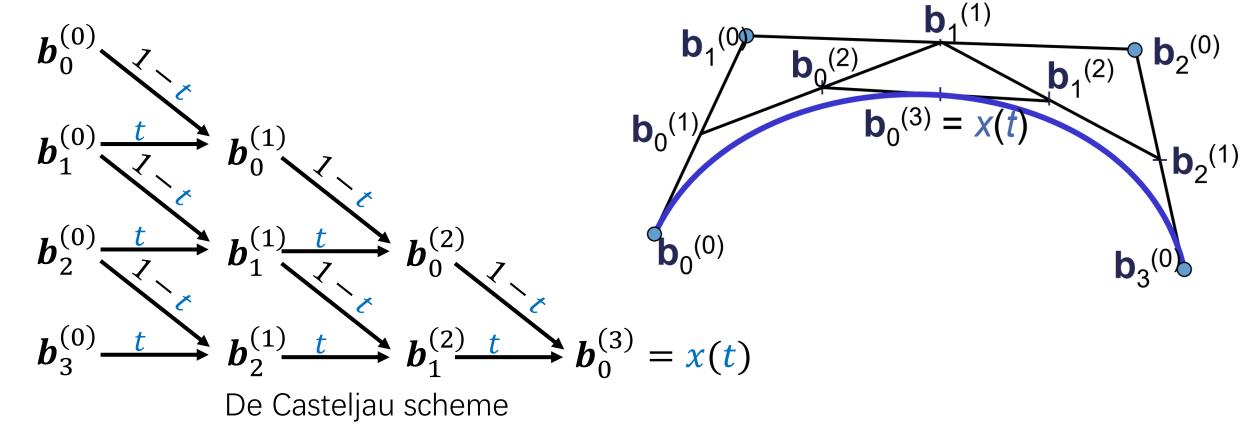
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• The intermediate coefficients  $b_i^r(t)$  can be written in a triangular matrix: the de Casteljau scheme:

$$egin{aligned} m{b}_0 &= m{b}_0^0 \ m{b}_1 &= m{b}_1^0 & m{b}_0^1 \ m{b}_2 &= m{b}_2^0 & m{b}_1^1 & m{b}_0^2 \ m{b}_3 &= m{b}_3^0 & m{b}_2^1 & m{b}_1^2 & m{b}_0^3 \ m{\dots} & m{b}_{n-1} &= m{b}_{n-1}^0 & m{b}_{n-2}^1 & \dots & m{b}_0^{n-1} \ m{b}_n &= m{b}_n^0 & m{b}_{n-1}^1 & \dots & m{b}_1^{n-1} & m{b}_0^n &= x(t) \end{aligned}$$

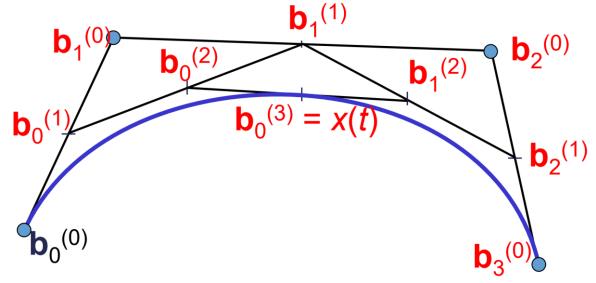
#### Algorithm:

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for r=1..n

for i=0..n-r

\boldsymbol{b}_{i}^{(r)} = (1-t) \boldsymbol{b}_{i}^{(r-1)} + t \boldsymbol{b}_{i+1}^{(r-1)}
end
end
The whole algorithm consists only of repeated linear interpolations.

return \boldsymbol{b}_{0}^{(n)}
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- The polygon consisting of the points  $b_0, \dots, b_n$  is called Bézier polygon (control polygon)
- The points  $b_i$  are called Bézier points (control points)
- The curve defined by the Bézier points  $b_0, \ldots, b_n$  and the de Casteljau algorithm is called Bézier curve
- The de Casteljau algorithm is numerically stable, since only convex combinations are applied.
- Complexity of the de Casteljau algorithm
  - $O(n^2)$  time
  - O(n) memory
  - with *n* being the number of Bézier points

#### Properties of Bézier curves:

- Given: Bézier points  $m{b}_0, ..., m{b}_n$ Bézier curve  $m{x}(t)$
- Bézier curve is polynomial curve of degree n
- End points interpolation:  $x(0) = b_0$ ,  $x(1) = b_n$ . The remaining Bézier points are only approximated in general
- Convex hull property:

Bézier curve is completely inside the convex hull of its Bézier polygon

#### Variation diminishing

- No line intersects the Bézier curve more often than its Bézier polygon
- Influence of Bézier points: global but pseudo-local
  - Global: moving a Bézier points changes the whole curve progression
  - Pseudo-local:  $b_i$  has its maximal influence on x(t) at  $t = \frac{i}{n}$

#### Affine invariance.

- Bézier curve and Bézier polygon are invariant under affine transformations
- Invariance under affine parameter transformations

#### Symmetry

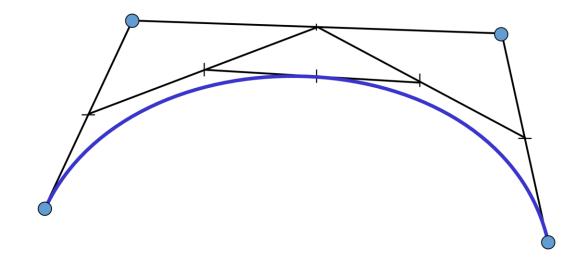
 The following two Bézier curves coincide, they are only traversed in opposite directions:

$$x(t) = [b_0, ..., b_n]$$
  $x'(t) = [b_n, ... b_0]$ 

#### Linear Precision:

- Bézier curve is line segment, if  $m{b}_0, ..., m{b}_n$  are colinear
- Invariance under barycentric combinations

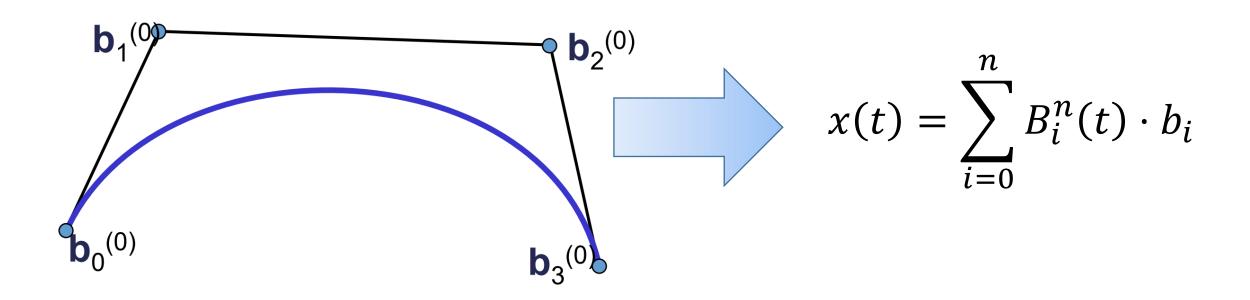
## Recap



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# Polynomial description of Bézier curves

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    - Appling an affine map  $x \to Ax + b$  on
      - Control points
      - Curve

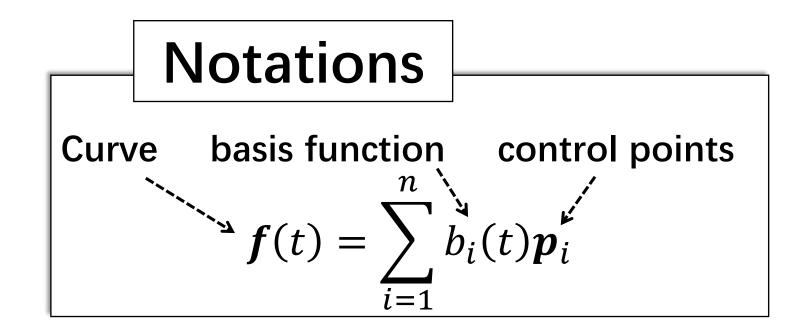
#### Should have the same effect

- In particular: rotation, translation
- Otherwise: interactive curve editing very difficult

- Useful requirements for a basis:
  - Convex hull property:
    - The curve lays within the convex hull of its control points
    - Avoids at least too weird oscillations
  - Advantages
    - Computational advantages (recursive intersection tests)
    - More predictable behavior

### Summary

- Useful properties
  - Smoothness
  - Local control / support
  - Affine invariance
  - Convex hull property



#### Affine Invariance

- Affine map:  $\mathbf{x} \to A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}$
- Part I: Linear invariance we get this automatically
  - Linear approach:  $f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t) p_i = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t) \begin{pmatrix} p_i^{(x)} \\ p_i^{(y)} \\ p_i^{(z)} \end{pmatrix}$  Therefore:
  - Therefore:  $A(f(t)) = A(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t) \boldsymbol{p}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i(t) (A \boldsymbol{p}_i)$

#### Affine Invariance

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  - Part II: Translational invariance

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i(t)(\mathbf{p}_i + \mathbf{b}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i(t)\mathbf{p}_i + \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i(t)\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{f}(t) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i(t)\right)\mathbf{b}$$

- For translational invariance, the sum of the basis functions must be one *everywhere* (for all parameter values *t* that are used).
- This is called "partition of unity property"
- The  $b_i$ 's form an "affine combination" of the control points  $p_i$
- This is very important for modeling

# Convex Hull Property

- Convex combinations:
  - A convex combination of a set of points  $\{p_1, ..., p_n\}$  is any point of the form:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i \boldsymbol{p_i}$$
 with  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i = 1$  and  $\forall i = 1 \dots n : 0 \le \lambda_i \le 1$ 

- (Remark:  $\lambda_i \leq 1$  is redundant)
- The set of all admissible convex combinations forms the convex hull of the point set
  - Easy to see (exercise): The convex hull is the smallest set that contains all points  $\{p_1, ..., p_n\}$  and every complete straight line between two elements of the set

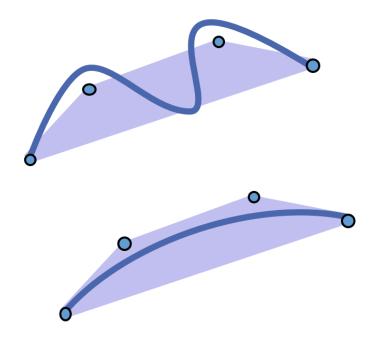
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- Accordingly:
  - If we have this property

$$\forall t \in \Omega: \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_i(t) = 1 \text{ and } \forall t \in \Omega, \forall i: b_i(t) \geq 0$$

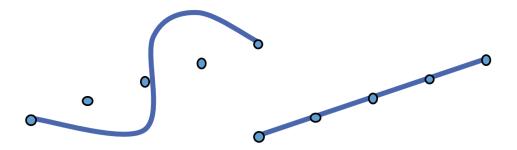
the constructed curves / surfaces will be:

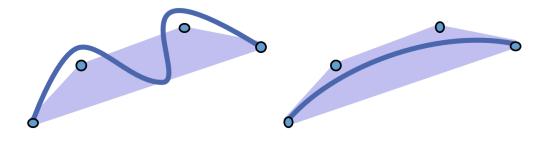
- Affine invariant (translations, linear maps)
- Be restricted to the convex hull of the control points
- Corollary: Curves will have linear precision
  - All control points lie on a straight line
  - ⇒ Curve is a straight line segment
- Surfaces with planar control points will be flat, too



# Convex Hull Property

- Very useful property in practice
  - Avoids at least the worst oscillations
    - no escape from convex hull, unlike polynomial interpolation
  - Linear precision property is intuitive (people expect this)
  - Can be used for fast range checks
    - Test for intersection with convex hull first, then the object
    - Recursive intersection algorithms in conjunctions with subdivision rules (more on this later)





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  - Wanted: Bézier curve x(t) with  $t \in [0,1]$
- Now with an algebraic approach using basis functions
- Need to define n+1 basis functions
  - Such that this describes a Bézier curve:

$$B_0^n(t), \dots, B_n^n(t) \text{ over } [0,1]$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n B_i^n(t) \cdot \mathbf{b}_i$$

#### Bernstein Basis

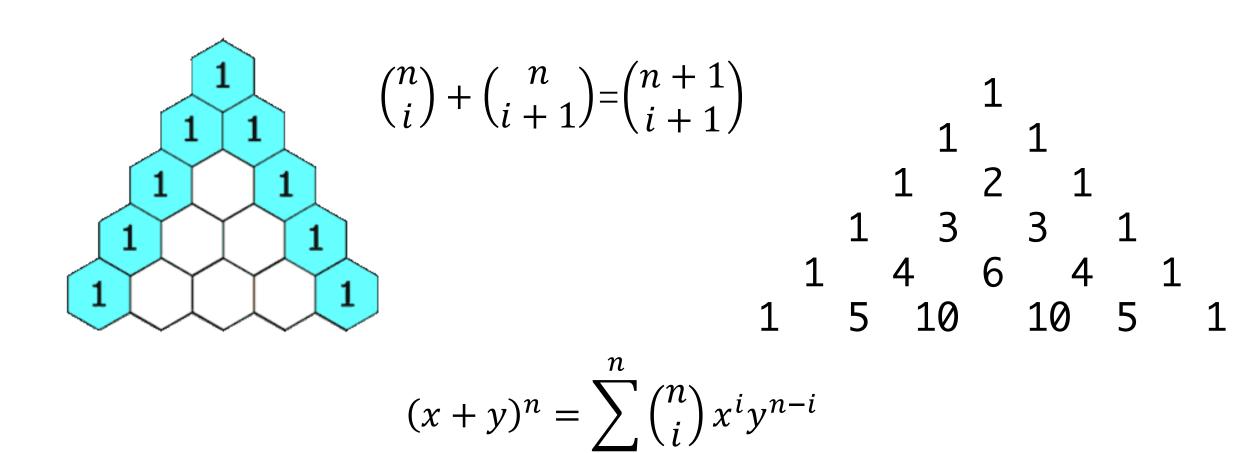
- Let's examine the Bernstein basis:  $B = \{B_0^{(n)}, B_1^{(n)}, \dots, B_n^{(n)}\}$ 
  - Bernstein basis of degree *n*:

$$B_i^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i} = B_{i-\text{th basis function}}^{(\text{degree})}$$

where the binomial coefficients are given by:

$$\binom{n}{i} = \begin{cases} \frac{n!}{(n-i)! \, i!} & \text{for } 0 \le i \le n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

#### Binomial Coefficients and Theorem



# $B_i^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$

# Examples: The first few

• The first three Bernstein bases:

$$B_0^{(0)} := 1$$

$$B_0^{(1)} := 1 - t \qquad B_1^{(1)} := t$$

$$B_0^{(2)} := (1 - t)^2 \qquad B_1^{(2)} := 2t(1 - t) \qquad B_2^{(2)} := t^2$$

$$B_0^{(3)} := (1 - t)^3 \qquad B_1^{(3)} := 3t(1 - t)^2 \qquad B_2^{(3)} := 3t^2(1 - t) \qquad B_3^{(3)} := t^3$$

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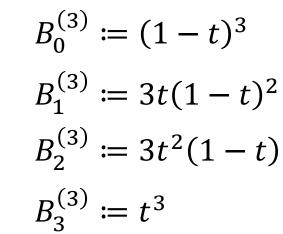
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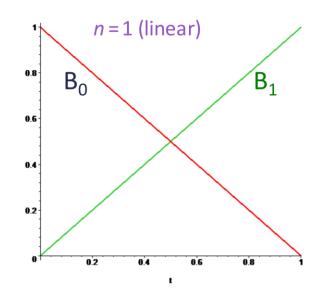
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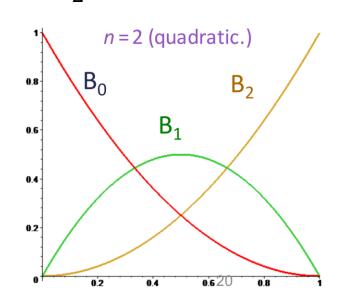
$$B_0^{(2)} \coloneqq (1-t)^2$$

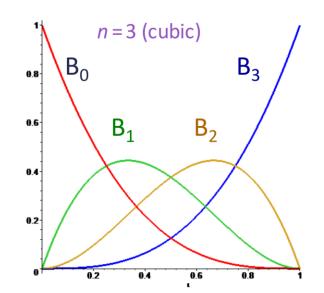
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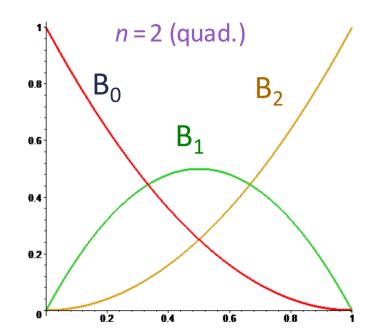


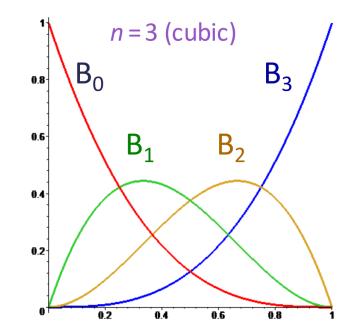


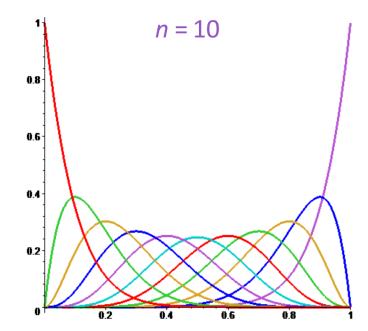
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#### Bernstein Basis

- What about the desired properties?
  - Smoothness
  - Local control / support
  - Affine invariance
  - Convex hull property

#### Bernstein Basis: Properties

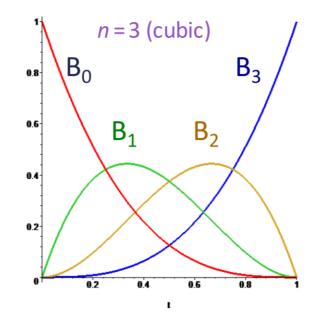
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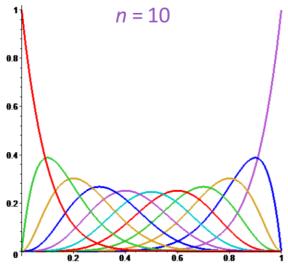
• Basis for polynomials of degree n

Smoothness

• Each basis function  $B_i^{(n)}$  has its maximum at  $t = \frac{i}{n}$ 

Local control (semi-local)





#### Bernstein Basis: Properties

• 
$$B = \{B_0^{(n)}, B_1^{(n)}, \dots, B_n^{(n)}\}, B_i^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$$

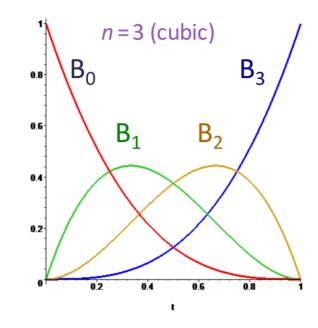
Affine invariance

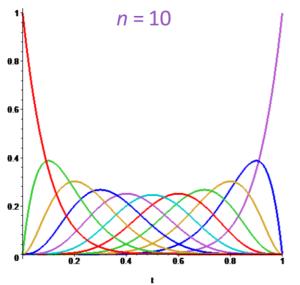
Convex hull property

Partition of unity (binomial theorem)

$$1 = (1 - t + t)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n} B_i^{(n)}(t) = (t + (1-t))^n = 1$$





# What about the desired properties?

Smoothness

Local control / support

Affine invariance

Convex hull property

Yes

To some extent

Yes

Yes

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Recursive computation

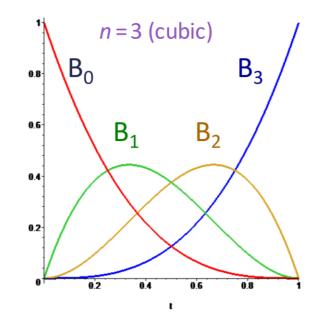
$$B_i^n(t) := (1-t)B_i^{(n-1)}(t) + tB_{i-1}^{(n-1)}(1-t)$$
  
with  $B_0^0(t) = 1$ ,  $B_i^n(t) = 0$  for  $i \notin \{0 \dots n\}$ 

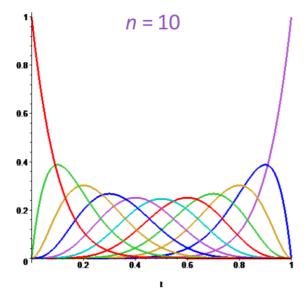
Symmetry

$$B_i^n(t) = B_{n-i}^n(1-t)$$

• Non-negativity:  $B_i^{(n)}(t) \ge 0$  for  $t \in [0..1]$ 

$$\binom{n-1}{i} + \binom{n-1}{i-1} = \binom{n}{i}$$





# Bernstein Basis: Properties

$$,B_{n}^{(n)}\},\,B_{i}^{(n)}(t)$$

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 $^{\iota}(t) > 0 \text{ for } 0 < t$ 

 $(1) Q_{1-t}^{n-i} \qquad \bigcirc$ 

 $B_1^n(0) = \cdots =$ 

$$=B_{n-1}^{n}(1)=0,$$

Non-negativity II

$$B_i^n(t) > 0 \text{ for } 0 < t < 1$$
  
= 1  $B_i^n(0) = \dots = B_i^n(0) = \dots$ 

$$B_0^n(0) = 1, \qquad B_1^n(0) = \dots = B_n^n(0) = 0$$

$$B_0^n(1) = \dots = B_{n-1}^n(1) = 0, \qquad B_n^n(1) = 1$$

$$1$$

$$B_n^n(0) = 0$$

$$B_n^n(1) = 1$$

#### Derivatives

- Bernstein basis properties
  - Derivatives:

$$\frac{d}{dt}B_i^{(n)}(t) =$$

$$B_i^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$$

$$B_i^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$$

#### **Derivatives**

- Bernstein basis properties
  - Derivatives:

$$\begin{split} &\frac{d}{dt}B_{i}^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i}\left(it^{\{i-1\}}(1-t)^{n-i} - (n-i)t^{i}(1-t)^{\{n-i-1\}}\right) \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-i)!\,i!}\,it^{\{i-1\}}(1-t)^{n-i} - \frac{n!}{(n-i)!\,i!}\,(n-i)t^{i}(1-t)^{\{n-i-1\}} \\ &= n\left[\binom{n-1}{i-1}t^{\{i-1\}}(1-t)^{n-i} - \binom{n-1}{i}t^{i}(1-t)^{\{n-i-1\}}\right] \\ &= n\left[B_{i-1}^{(n-1)}(t) - B_{i}^{(n-1)}(t)\right] \end{split}$$

(Notation:  $\{k\} = k \text{ if } k > 0$ , zero otherwise)

$$B_i^{(n)}(t) = \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i}$$

#### Derivatives

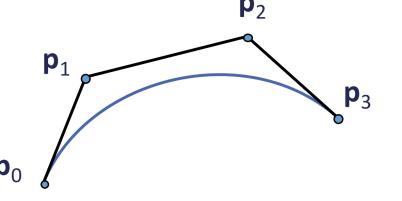
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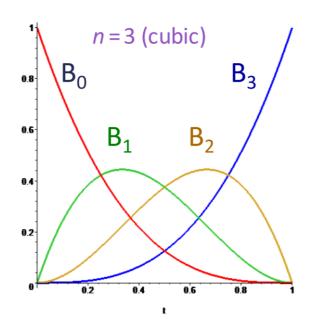
$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} B_i^{(n)}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} n \left[ B_{i-1}^{(n-1)}(t) - B_i^{(n-1)}(t) \right] 
= n \left[ (n-1) \left( B_{i-2}^{(n-2)}(t) - B_{i-1}^{(n-2)}(t) \right) - (n-1) \left( B_{i-1}^{(n-2)}(t) - B_i^{(n-2)}(t) \right) \right] 
= n(n-1) \left[ B_{i-2}^{(n-2)}(t) - 2B_{i-1}^{(n-2)}(t) + B_i^{(n-2)}(t) \right]$$

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#### • Bézier Curves:

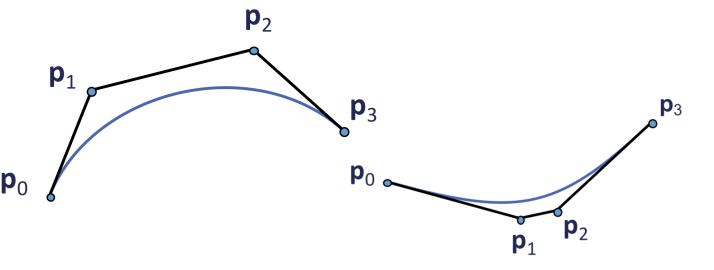
$$f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_i^n p_i$$
,  $t \in [0,1]$ 

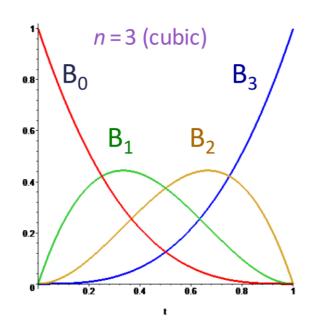




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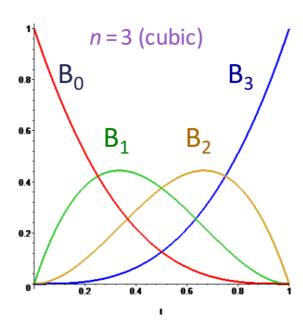
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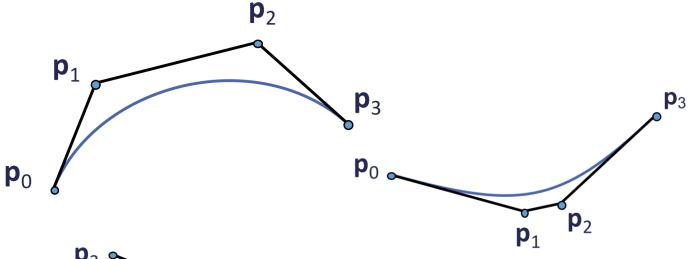


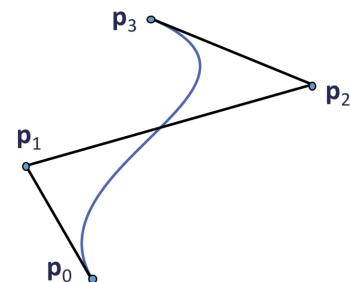


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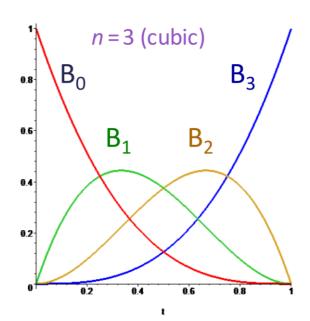


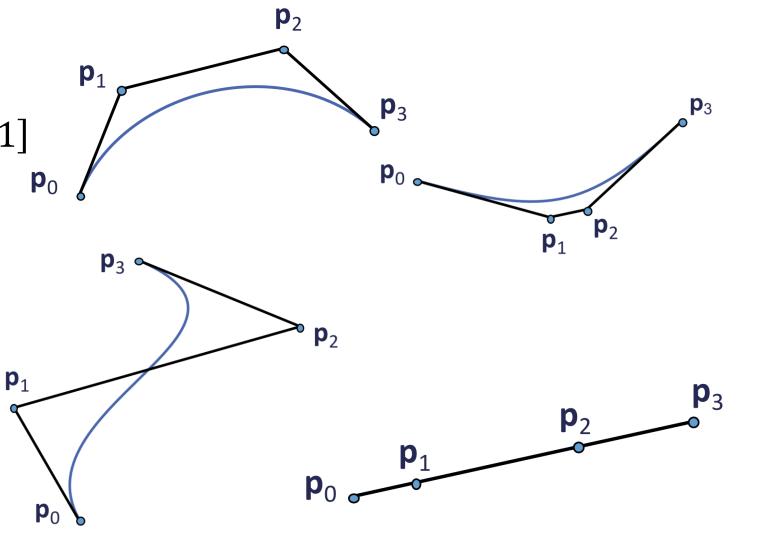




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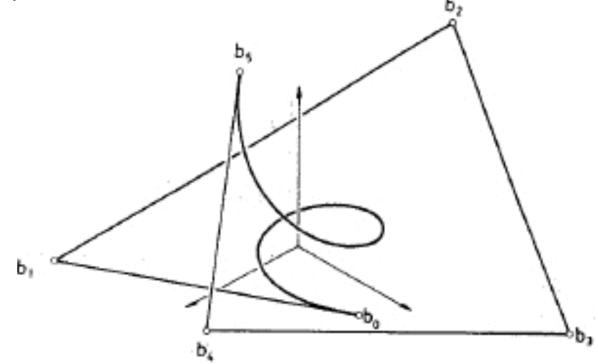
$$f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_i^n p_i$$
,  $t \in [0,1]$ 





Bézier Curves, also in 3D

$$f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_{i}^{n} p_{i}$$
,  $t \in [0,1]$ 

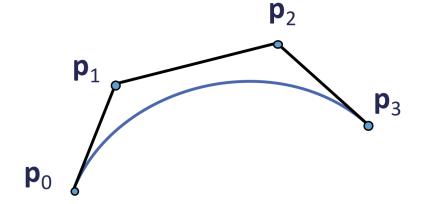


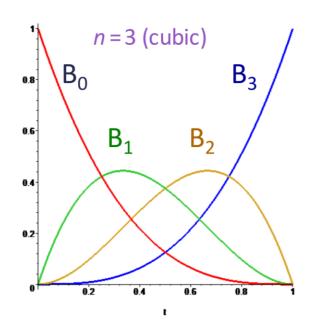
- Bézier curves:
  - Curves:  $f(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_i^n p_i$
  - Considering the interval  $t \in [0..1]$
  - Properties as discussed before:
    - Affine invariant
    - Curves contained in the convex hull
    - Influence of control points

Moving along the curve with index i

Largest influence at  $t = \frac{i}{n}$ 

Single curve segments: no full local control





# Bézier Curve Properties: another look at derivatives

- Given:  $\boldsymbol{p}_0, \dots, \boldsymbol{p}_n, \boldsymbol{f}(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n B_i^n(t) \, \boldsymbol{p}_i$
- Then:  $f'(t) = n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} B_i^{n-1}(t) (p_{i+1} p_i)$

• Proof: 
$$f'(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \frac{d}{dt} B_i^n(t) \mathbf{p}_i = n \sum_{i=0}^{n} \left( B_{i-1}^{n-1}(t) - B_i^{n-1}(t) \right) \mathbf{p}_i$$

$$= n \sum_{i=0}^{n} B_{i-1}^{n-1}(t) \mathbf{p}_i - n \sum_{i=0}^{n} B_i^{n-1}(t) \mathbf{p}_i$$

$$= n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} B_i^{n-1}(t) \mathbf{p}_{i+1} - n \sum_{i=0}^{n} B_i^{n-1}(t) \mathbf{p}_i = n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} B_i^{n-1}(t) \mathbf{p}_{i+1} - n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} B_i^{n-1}(t) \mathbf{p}_i$$

$$= n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} B_i^{n-1}(t) (\mathbf{p}_{i+1} - \mathbf{p}_i)$$

Higher order derivatives:

$$f^{[r]}(t) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{n-r} B_i^{n-r}(t) \cdot \Delta^r \boldsymbol{p}_i$$

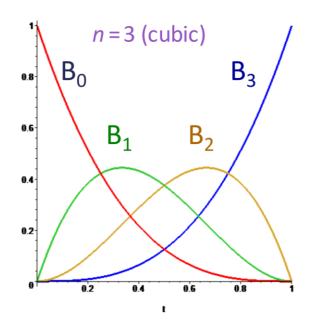
- Imporant for continuous concatenation:
  - Function value at {0,1}:

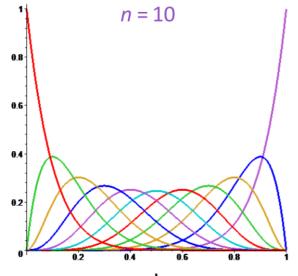
$$f(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{n}{i} t^i (1-t)^{n-i} \mathbf{p}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow f(0) = \mathbf{p}_0$$

$$f(1) = \mathbf{p}_1$$

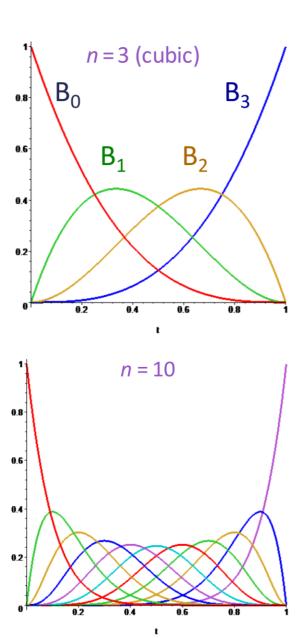
- First derivative vector at {0,1}
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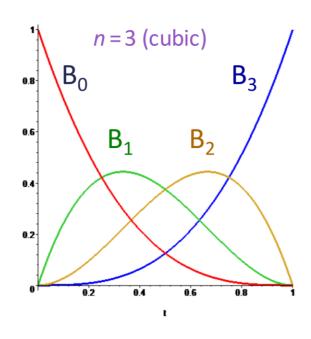
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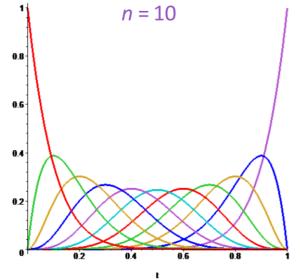
$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{f}(t) =$$



First derivative vector at  $\{0,1\}$ 

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{f}(t) = n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ B_{i-1}^{(n-1)}(t) - B_i^{(n-1)}(t) \right] \mathbf{p}_i$$



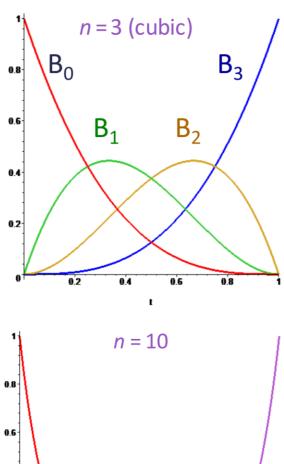


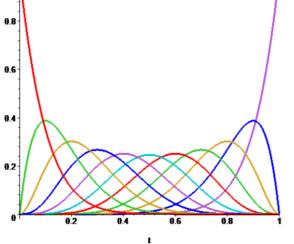
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$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{f}(t) = n \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[ B_{i-1}^{(n-1)}(t) - B_{i}^{(n-1)}(t) \right] \mathbf{p}_{i}$$

$$= n \left( \left[ -B_{0}^{(n-1)}(t) \right] \mathbf{p}_{0} + \left[ B_{0}^{(n-1)}(t) - B_{1}^{(n-1)}(t) \right] \mathbf{p}_{1} + \cdots + \left[ B_{n-2}^{(n-1)}(t) - B_{n-1}^{(n-1)}(t) \right] \mathbf{p}_{n-1} + \left[ B_{n-1}^{(n-1)}(t) \right] \mathbf{p}_{n} \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{f}(0) = n(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_0) \qquad \frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{f}(1) = n(\mathbf{p}_n - \mathbf{p}_{n-1})$$





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$$f(0) = \mathbf{p}_0$$
$$f(1) = \mathbf{p}_1$$

• First derivative vector at {0,1}

$$f'(0) = n[p_1 - p_0]$$
  
 $f'(1) = n[p_n - p_{n-1}]$ 

• Second derivative vector at {0,1}

$$f''(0) = n(n-1)[p_2 - 2p_1 + p_0]$$
  
 $f''(1) = n(n-1)[p_n - 2p_{n-1} + p_{n-2}]$ 

