# Geometry Library

An easy-to-implement function library providing numeric operations to handle solutions to typical problems encountered in the field of geometry, including Bezier Curves, Linear Interpolation (Lerp), and Trigonometry.

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## 25 Years of .NET

Although .NET doesn't officially turn 25 until February 13, 2027, I'm starting the celebration a little early.

To commemorate 25 years since the public release of the .NET framework, I'm open sourcing this and several other of my long-lived libraries and applications. Most of these have only previously been used privately in our own internal company productivity during the early 21st century but I hope they might find a number of new uses to complete the next 25 years.

I have every intention of keeping these libraries and applications maintained, so if you happen to run into anything you would like to see added, changed, or repaired, just let me know in the Issues section and I'll get it done for you as time permits.

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Sincerely,

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## Yet Another Geometry Library

Geometry is a surprisingly persistent companion in my work. Time and again, I find myself tackling scenarios where geometric functionality is not just helpful - it’s essential. Whether it’s converting vectors to absolute coordinates, calculating the length of a guy wire with a Bézier-shaped sag, or determining the number of passes required for a mill bit to clear an area bounded by a polyline, geometry is always at the core of the solution. These repeated encounters inspired me to develop and maintain this geometric function library.

This library has a long history, originating in 1997 when I first created it in the VBA scripting language to extend Microsoft Excel’s capabilities through their Office Automation extensions. It quickly became evident that its utility extended far beyond those early roots, prompting me to convert the library to C# in 2001. Since then, it has been an integral tool in my internal .NET projects, continuously evolving to meet new challenges.

The current version introduces three key components:

1. **Trig Class**: Equipped with all the standard tools for working with angles and trigonometric functions, it offers seamless support for angular computations.
2. **Linear Class**: Focused on basic linear interpolation, this class includes overloads of the Lerp method, making it simple to interpolate scalar values or points with precision.
3. **Bezier Class**: A high-performance, lightweight module for identifying points along any type of Bézier curve. Whether your focus is precision or speed, this class delivers both, enabling quick and efficient calculations even for complex curves.

Through these features, this library aims to simplify and streamline geometric operations, empowering you to tackle projects with confidence and ease.

Other related classes from around our software environment will be added soon to this library, so stay tuned...

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## Installation

You can include this library in any .NET project using any supported programming language or target system. This library compiles as **.NET Standard 2.0** and is available in **NuGet** as

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**Instructions For Installation**

In **Visual Studio Community** or **Visual Studio Professional** editions:

* Right-click your project name in **Solution Explorer**.
* From the context menu, select **Manage NuGet Packages**.
* Click **Browse**.
* In the **Search** textbox, type **Dan's Geometry Library**.
* Accept the license agreement.
* In your code add the header line **using Geometry;**

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In **Visual Studio Code**:

* Run the command **NuGet: Add NuGet Package** (typically [Ctrl][Shift][P]).
* If there are multiple projects in the solution, select the open project to which the package will be assigned.
* In the **Search** textbox, type **Dan's Geometry Library**.
* Select the package.
* Select the version you wish to apply.

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## Usage Notes

This library is intended to be used on any target system, avoiding any kind of Windows dependencies whatsoever. As a result, replacements for GDI+ dimensional objects, like Point, Rectangle, and others normally found in .NET system libraries like System.Drawing have been defined for generic public use with or without a statically typed graphics system.

For the full documentation of this library, please see this Wiki page.