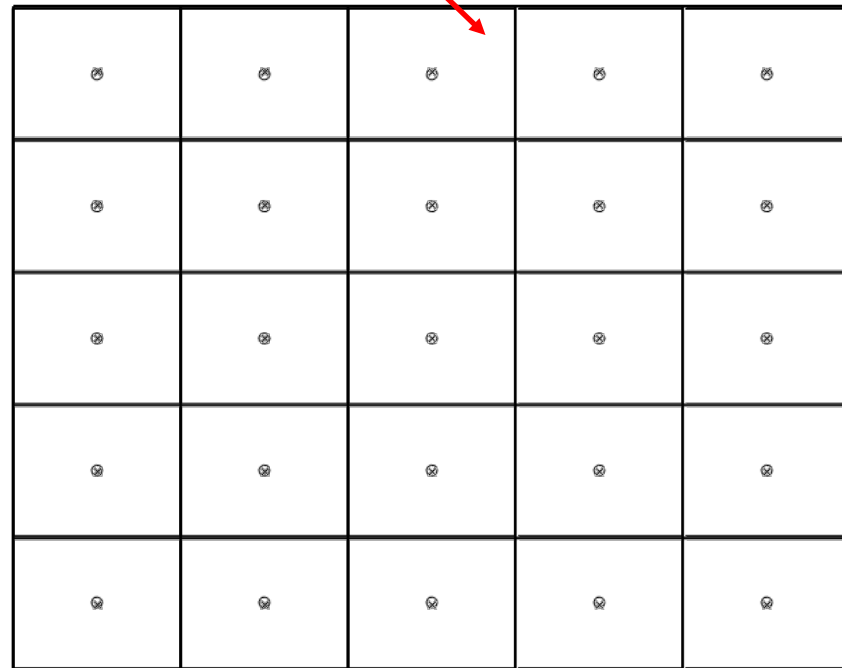


3.6 Interpolation

Interpolation

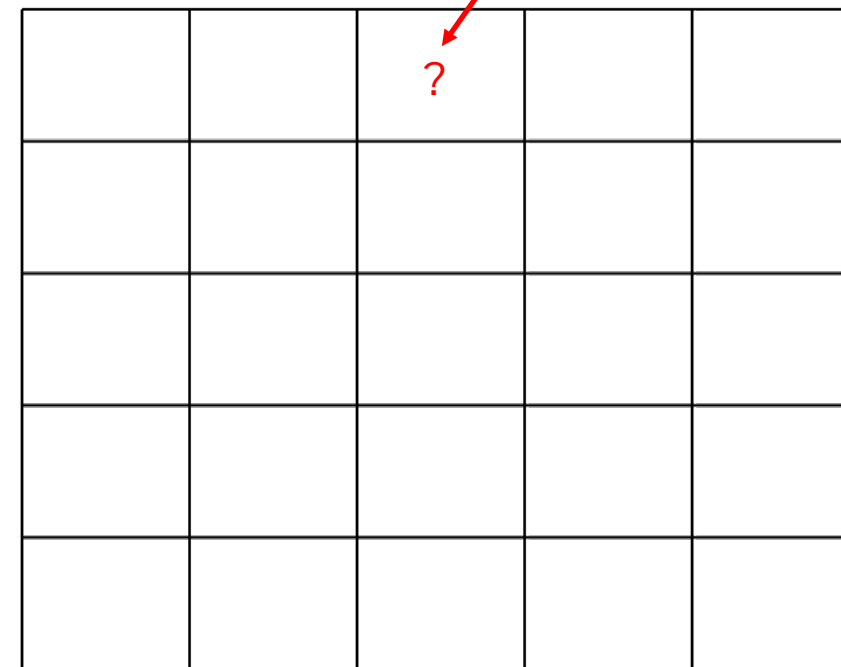
What happens when an image is rotated?

Original sample points move



Input Image

Pixel / data grid stays constant, voxel grid changes.
What should be the center (sampling) value here?

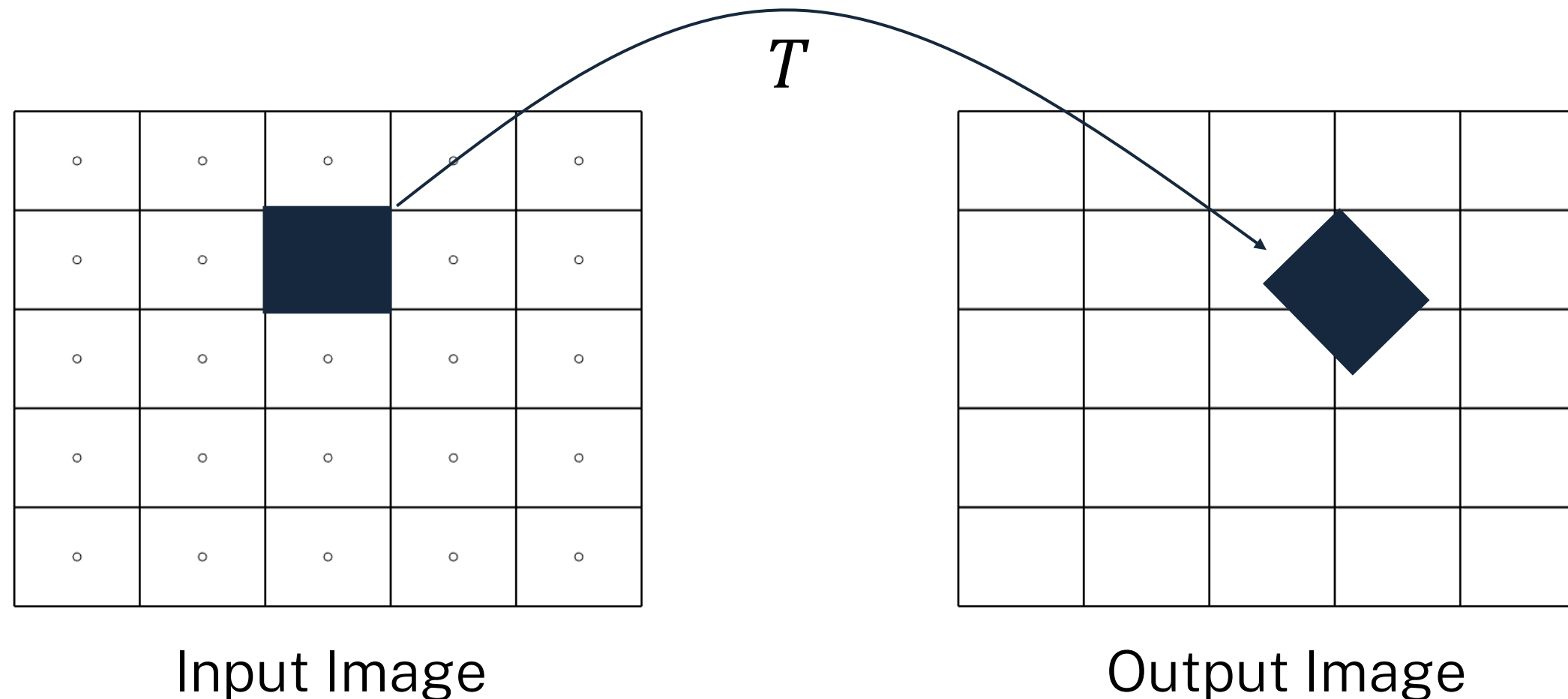


Output Image

Interpolation

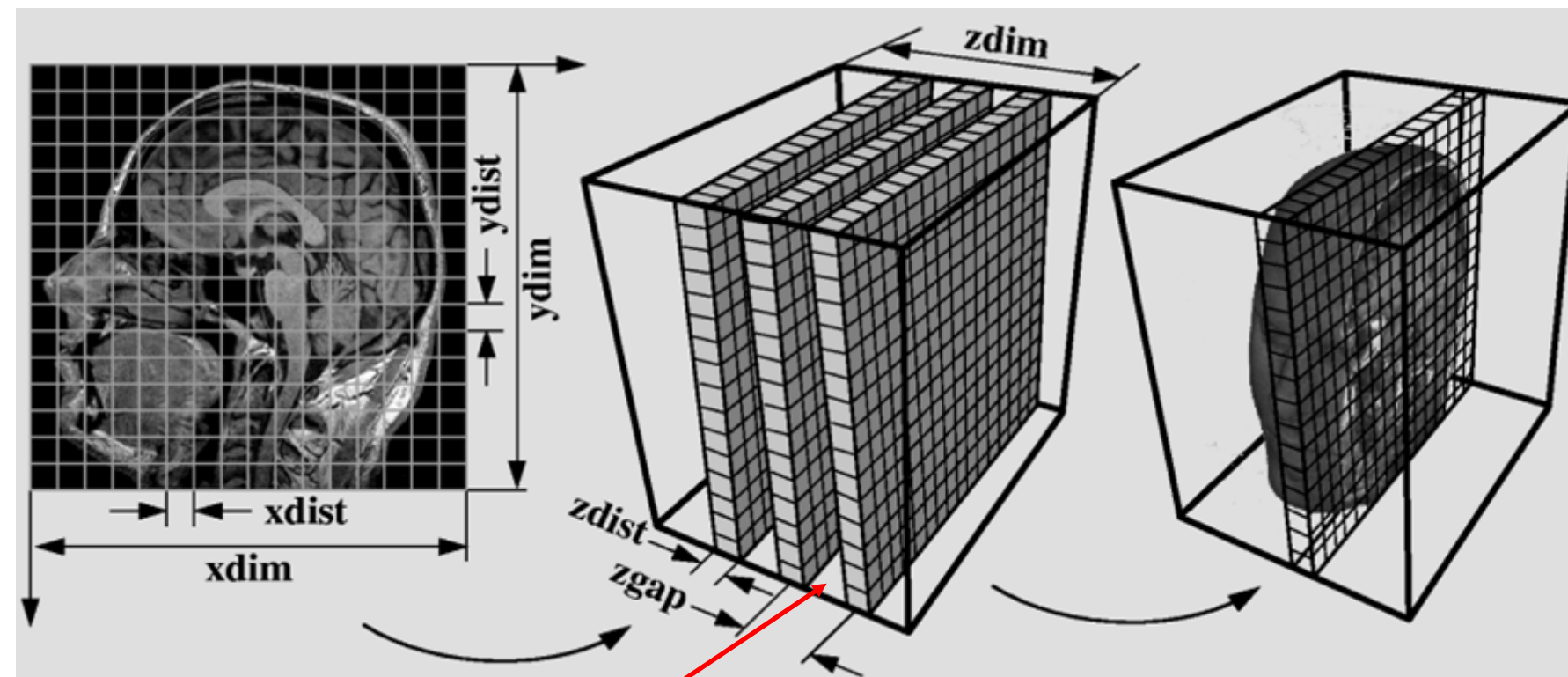
Resulting cells do not match the required sampling grid

- Resampling is required
 - Determine cells (and data values) on the output grid



Interpolation

- When constructing orthogonal or arbitrary orientations from a dataset there might be no data at all
 - This is also true when, e.g. enlarging an image or at the corners after rotation

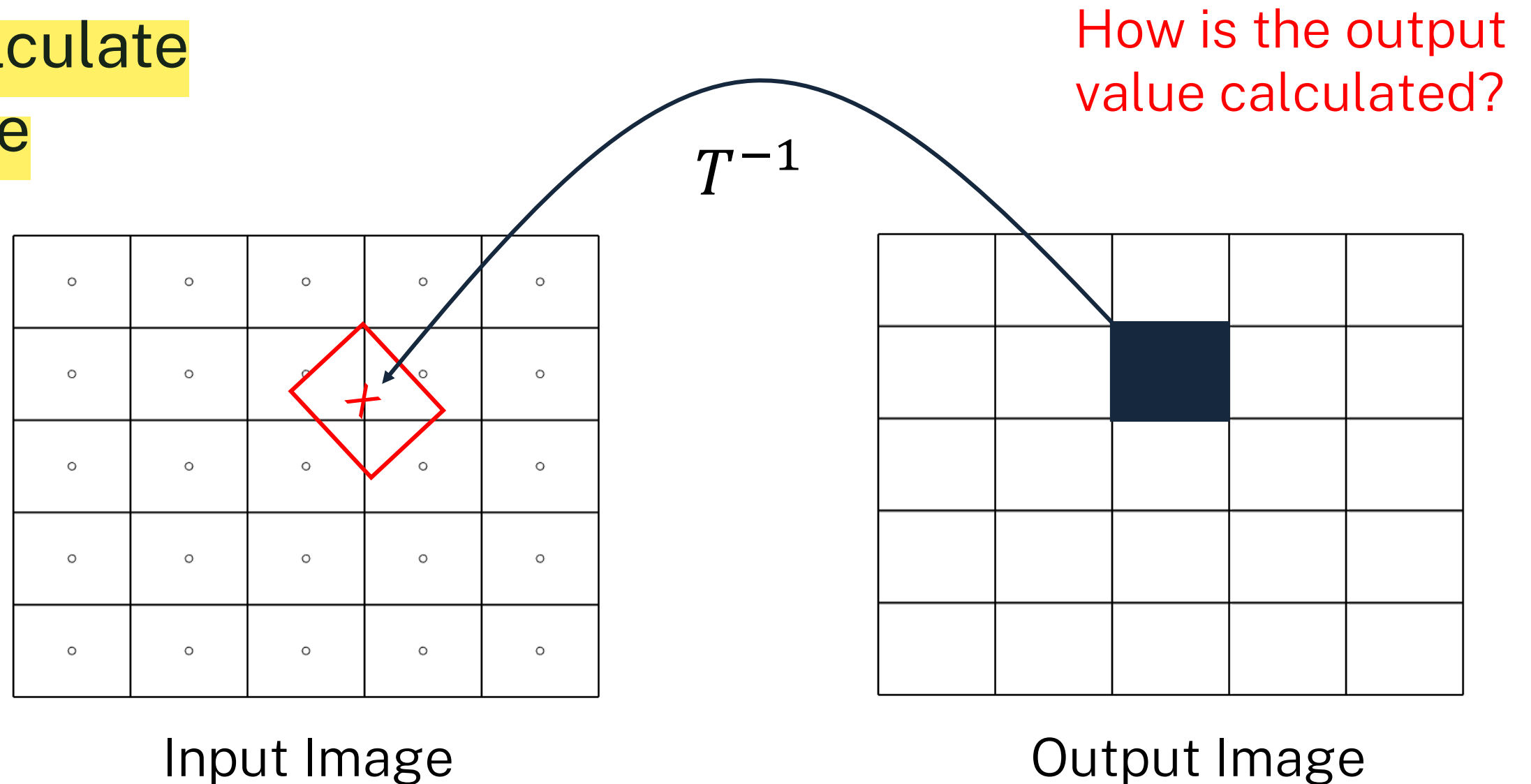


No sample data in the gap!

Interpolation

Resampling

- Traverse **output grid** and calculate cell location in original image by transforming with T^{-1}
 - Calculate cell center value
 - **Apply as data value**

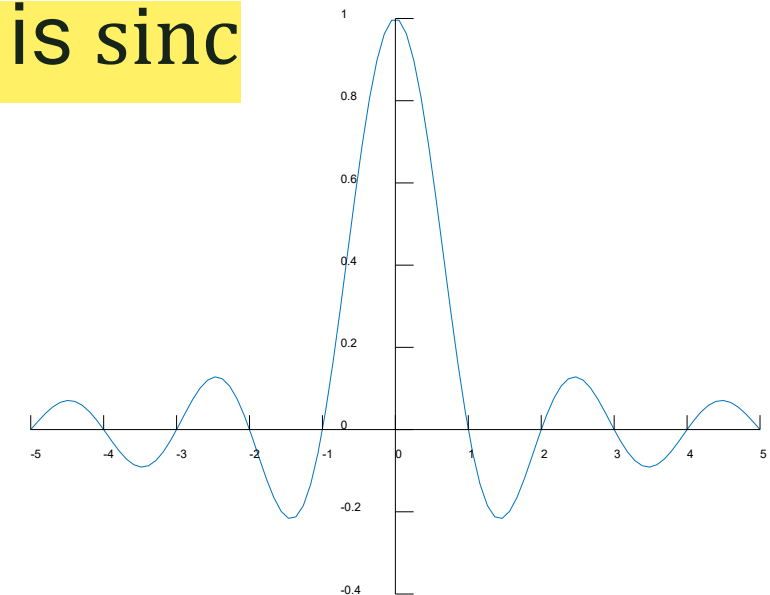


Interpolation

- Problem
 - (Image) function known only at discrete sampling points
 - Function values required in-between
 - Analytical description unknown / impossible to construct
- **Interpolation** rekonstruieren der Funktion aus diskreten sampling points
 - Estimate values of unknown function in-between given sampling points
 - The ideal interpolation function for a continuous signal is sinc

$$\text{sinc } x = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-j\omega x} d\omega = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin \pi x}{\pi x} & , x \neq 0 \\ 1 & , x = 0 \end{cases}$$

- Problem: sinc requires infinitely many samples for perfect interpolation



Interpolation

Classification

- Local interpolation methods (cell-wise)
 - Use information stored in the neighbor nodes (vertices)!
- Nachbar, Ecken, Gitter, ... betrachten
- Global interpolation methods
 - Use information of all vertices or a *broader* neighborhood

3.6.1 Local Interpolation

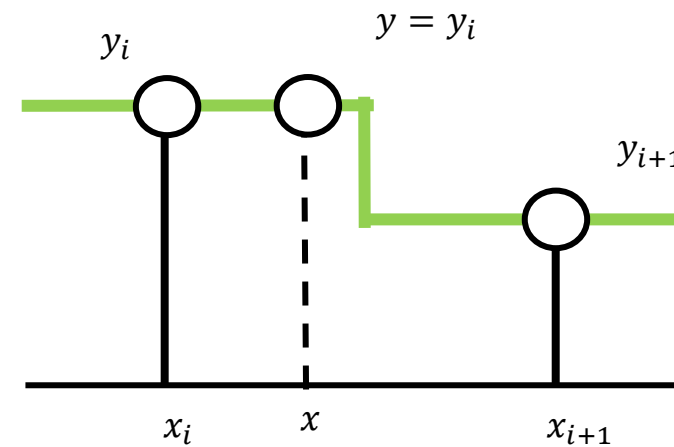
Local Interpolation

Simple approximations

Abstand zum nahestehen Nachbar

- **Nearest-neighbour**

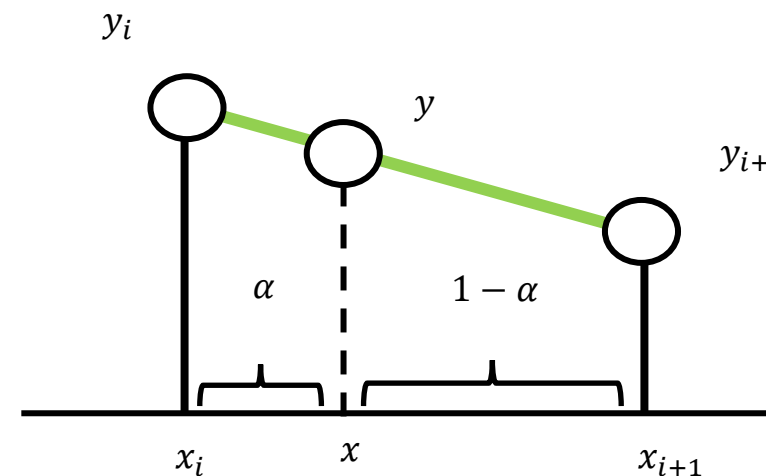
- Very coarse approximation
- Low quality interpolant
- Fast calculation



$$f(x) = y = \begin{cases} y_i, & \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i} < \frac{1}{2} \\ y_{i+1}, & \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i} \geq \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

- **Linear interpolation**

- Assume linear relationship between samples
- Quality ok, esp. on dense sampling grids
- Fast calculation
- Also known as linear blending
 - "Default" on graphics hardware
 - Shaders allow more sophisticated interpolation kernels



$$f(x) = y = \alpha y_{i+1} + (1 - \alpha) y_i$$

with $\alpha = \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}$

α := Abstand

Local Interpolation

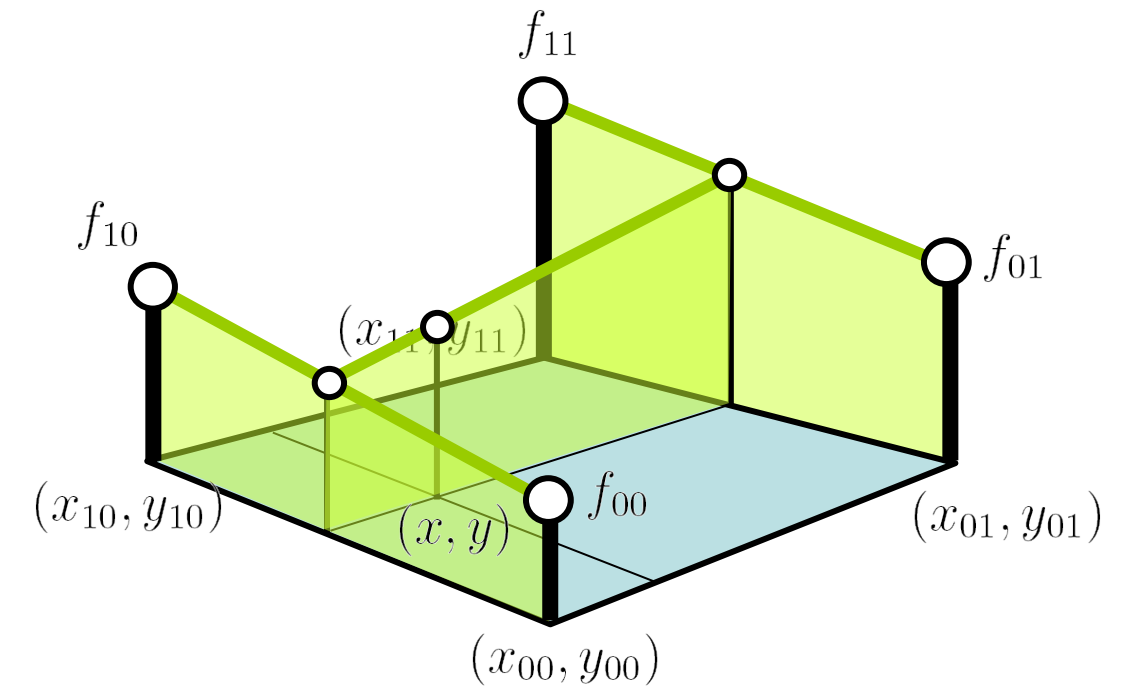
Bi-linear interpolation (2D)

Zwei mal lineare Interpolation von x und y

- Most common interpolation function on 2D image grids
- Naive implementation requires 8 multiplications, optimized variant requires 3
- Fast data access with pointer arithmetic

```
dp = &data[y * NX + x];
f00 = dp[0];
f10 = dp[1];
dp += NX;
f01 = dp[0];
f11 = dp[1];
```

- Note: bi-linear interpolation is not a linear operation anymore!



$$f_0 = \alpha f_{10} + (1 - \alpha) f_{00} \quad \alpha = \frac{x - x_{00}}{x_{10} - x_{00}}$$

$$f_1 = \alpha f_{11} + (1 - \alpha) f_{01}$$

$$f(x, y) = \beta f_1 + (1 - \beta) f_0 \quad \beta = \frac{y - y_{00}}{y_{10} - y_{00}}$$

Local Interpolation

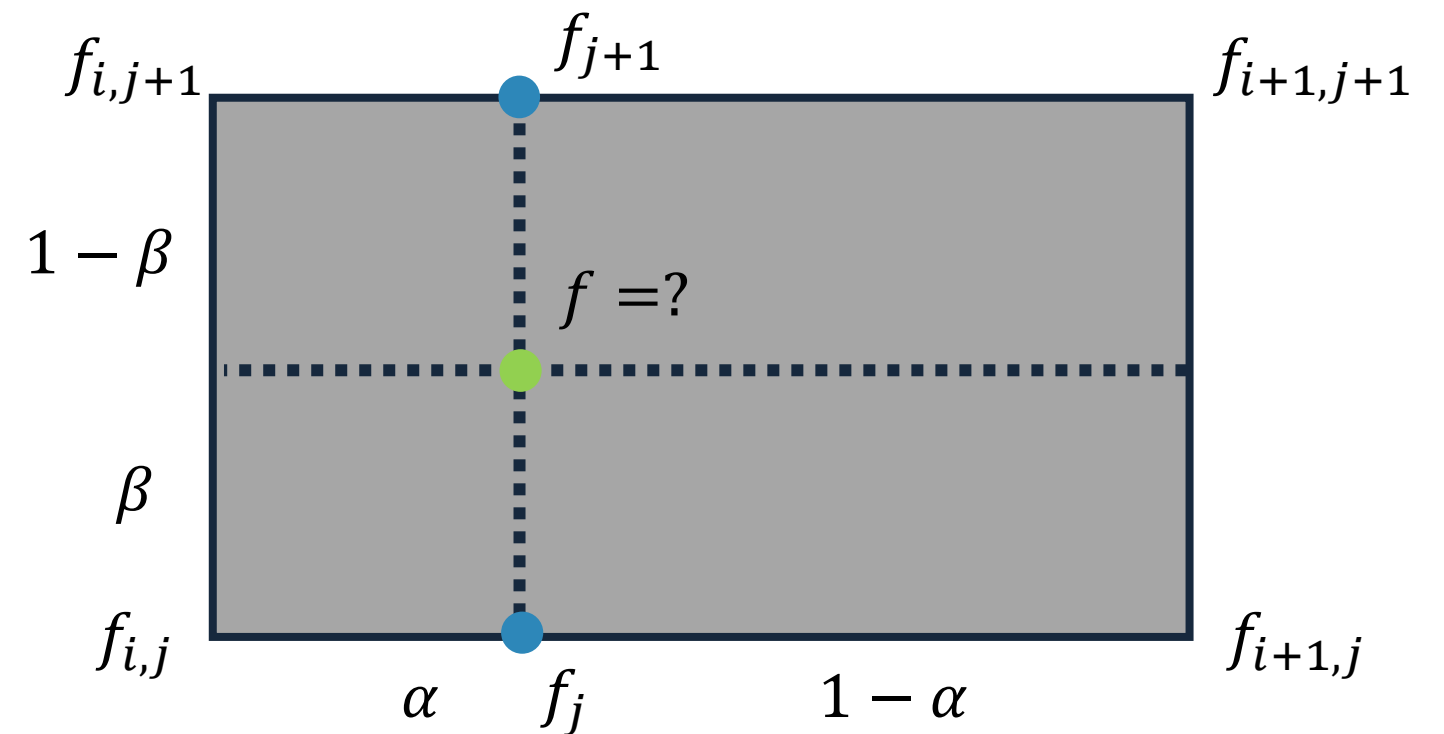
Bilinear interpolation on a rectangle

$$f_j = (1 - \alpha)f_{i,j} + \alpha f_{i+1,j}$$

$$f_{j+1} = (1 - \alpha)f_{i,j+1} + \alpha f_{i+1,j+1}$$

$$f = (1 - \beta)f_j + \beta f_{j+1}$$

$$f(x, y) = (1 - \beta)[(1 - \alpha)f_{i,j} + \alpha f_{i+1,j}] + \beta[(1 - \alpha)f_{i,j+1} + \alpha f_{i+1,j+1}]$$



$$\alpha = \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}, \quad \beta = \frac{y - y_i}{y_{i+1} - y_i}, \quad \alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$$

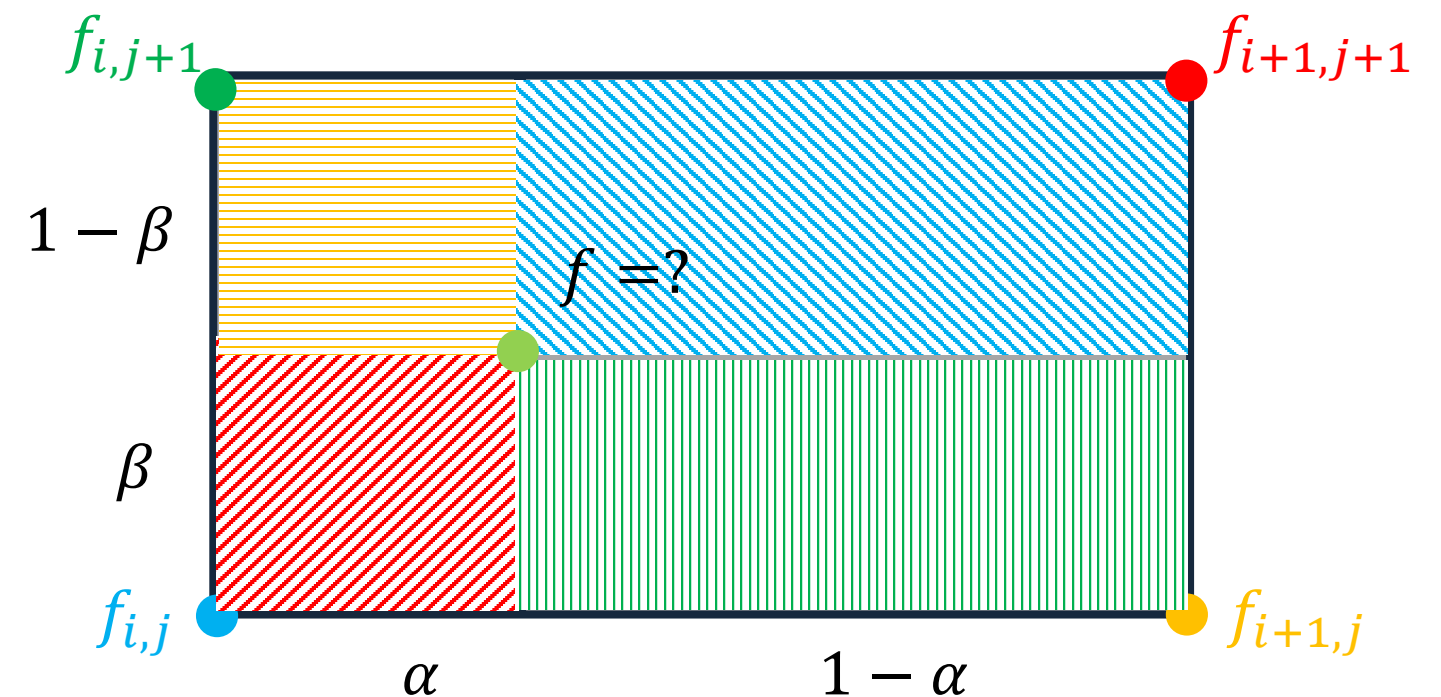
Local Interpolation

Bilinear interpolation on a rectangle

Gewichtete Summen vom gegenüberliegenden Punkt

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) = & (1 - \alpha)(1 - \beta)f_{i,j} \\ & + \alpha(1 - \beta)f_{i+1,j} \\ & + (1 - \alpha)\beta f_{i,j+1} \\ & + \alpha\beta f_{i+1,j+1} \end{aligned}$$

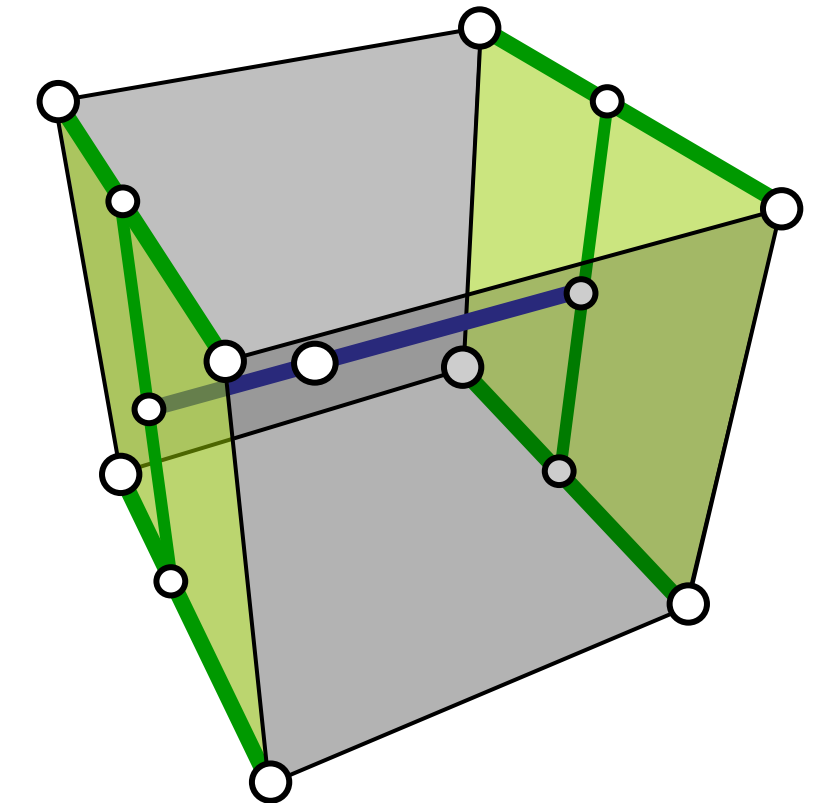
- Weighted by local areas of the opposite point
- Bilinear interpolation is not linear (but quadratic)!
- Cannot be inverted easily!



Local Interpolation

Tri-linear interpolation (3D)

- Voxel-grids, non-linear operation
- 27 vs. 7 multiplications
- Computationally intensive on large voxel datasets



8 Nachbarpunkte

4 linear
interpolations

$$f_{00} = \alpha f_{001} + (1 - \alpha) f_{000}$$

$$f_{01} = \alpha f_{011} + (1 - \alpha) f_{010}$$

$$f_{10} = \alpha f_{101} + (1 - \alpha) f_{100}$$

$$f_{11} = \alpha f_{111} + (1 - \alpha) f_{110}$$

2 bi-linear
interpolations

$$f_0 = \beta f_{10} + (1 - \beta) f_{00}$$

$$f_1 = \beta f_{11} + (1 - \beta) f_{01}$$

1 tri-linear
interpolation

$$f(x, y, z) = \gamma f_1 + (1 - \gamma) f_0$$

Local Interpolation

3D-case on a 3D uniform grid

- Trilinear interpolation of points (x,y,z)
 - Straightforward extension of bilinear interpolation
 - Three local coordinates α , β , γ
- Trilinear interpolation is not linear!
- Efficient evaluation (Horner): $f(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = a + \alpha(b + \beta(e + h\lambda)) + \beta(c + f\gamma) + \gamma(d + g\alpha)$
 - Coefficients a, b, c, d, e, f, g from data at corner vertices

Local Interpolation

Linear interpolation on a triangle

- Point P can be expressed as

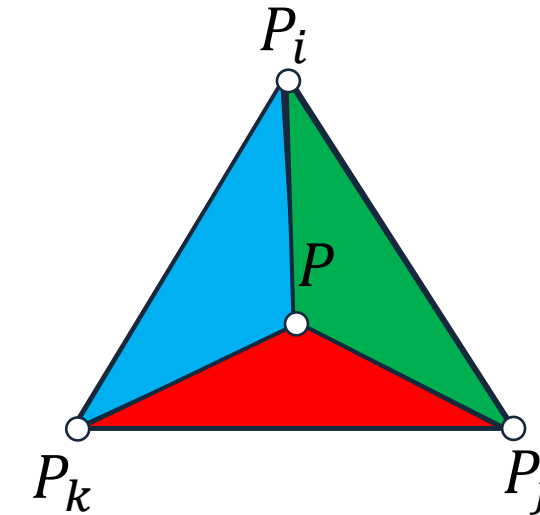
$$P = a_i P_i + a_j P_j + a_k P_k$$

- with $a_i + a_j + a_k = 1$ and

$$a_i = \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta P P_j P_k)}{\text{Area}(\Delta P_i P_j P_k)}$$

$$a_j = \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta P_i P P_k)}{\text{Area}(\Delta P_i P_j P_k)}$$

$$a_k = \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta P P_i P_j)}{\text{Area}(\Delta P_i P_j P_k)}$$



If $a_i = a_j = a_k = \frac{1}{3}$
 $\Rightarrow P$ is **barycenter** of the triangle

a_i, a_j, a_k are **barycentric** coordinates
 (Baryzentrische Koordinaten)

Interpolation

Barycentric interpolation

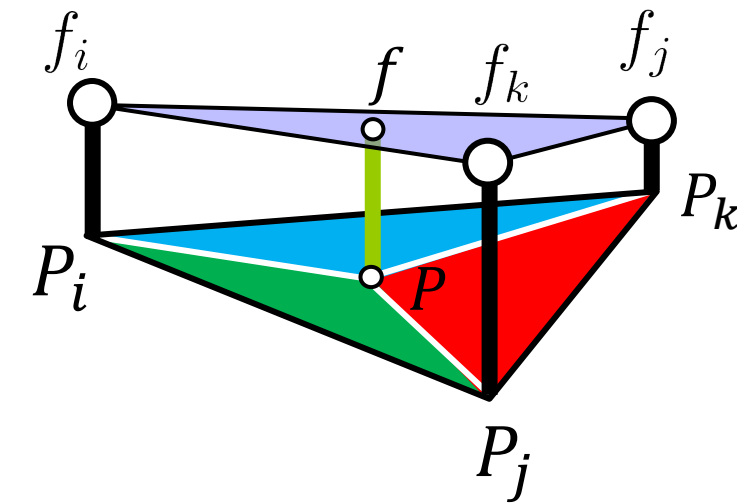
- Determine barycentric coordinates of point P

$$P = a_i P_i + a_j P_j + a_k P_k$$

- Then determine function f value using the same weights

$$f = a_i f_i + a_j f_j + a_k f_k$$

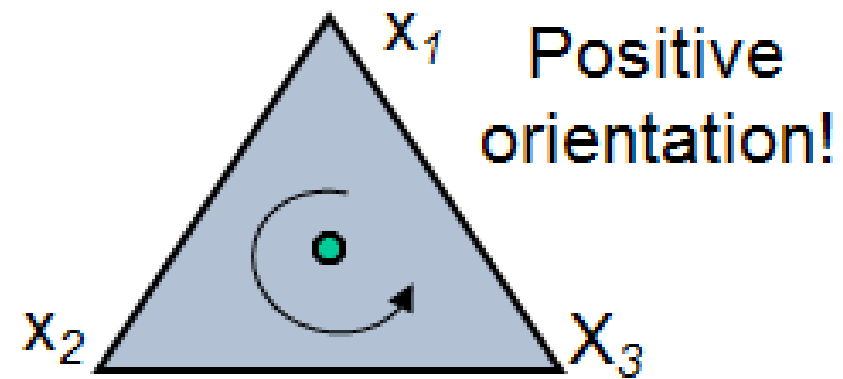
- Note
 - Points outside of the triangle can be expressed with barycentric coordinates
 - Then some of the weights are negative
 - But still: $a_i + a_j + a_k = 1$



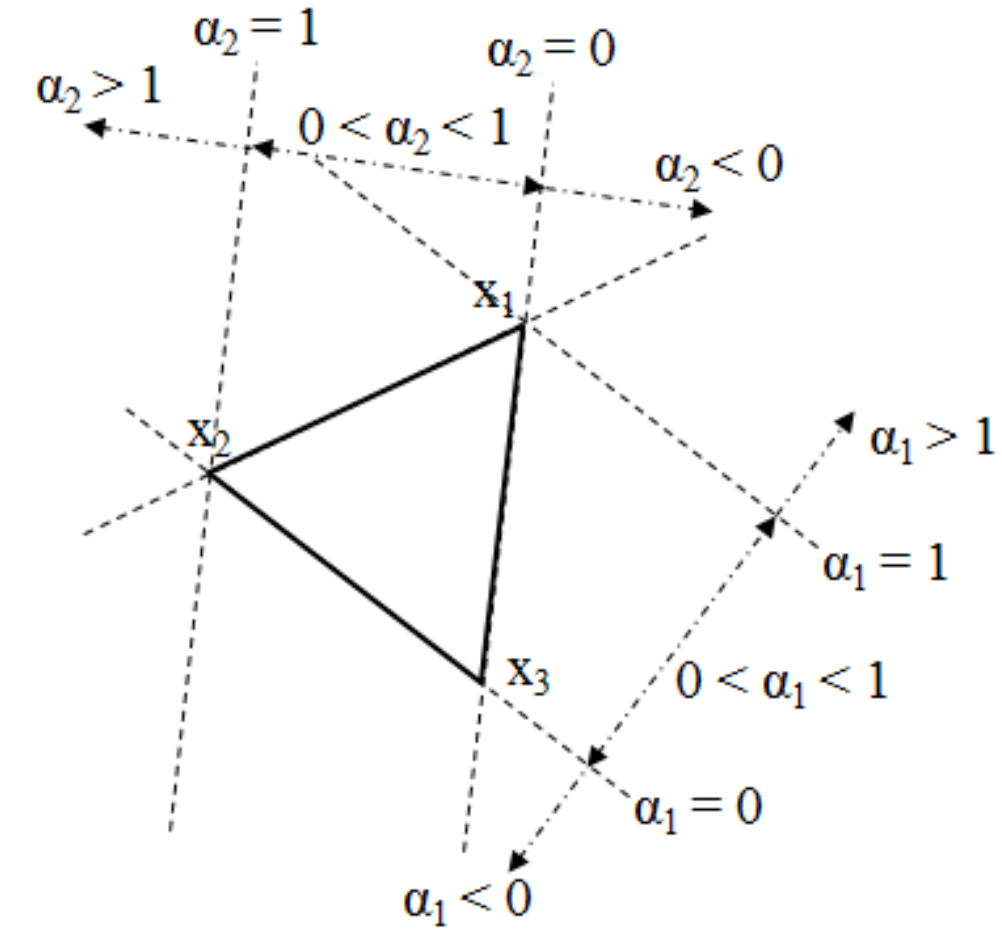
Local Interpolation

Localization with barycentric coordinates

- Use right-hand-rule for orientation



- A point is inside the triangle if and only if for all weights: $0 < \alpha_i < 1$
- Use for cell search



Local Interpolation

Barycentric coordinates in multiple dimensions

- Simplex in $\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow$ defined by its vertices

- $d+1$ affinely independent points

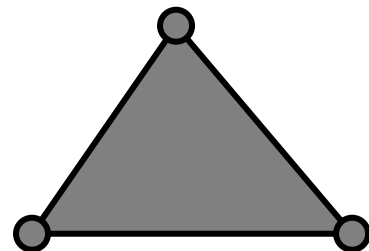
- 0D: point



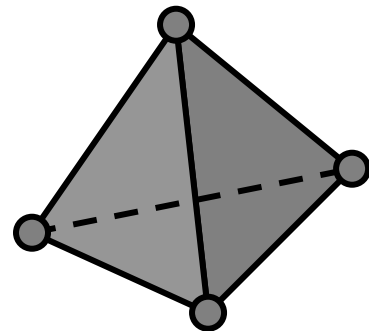
- 1D: line



- 2D: triangle



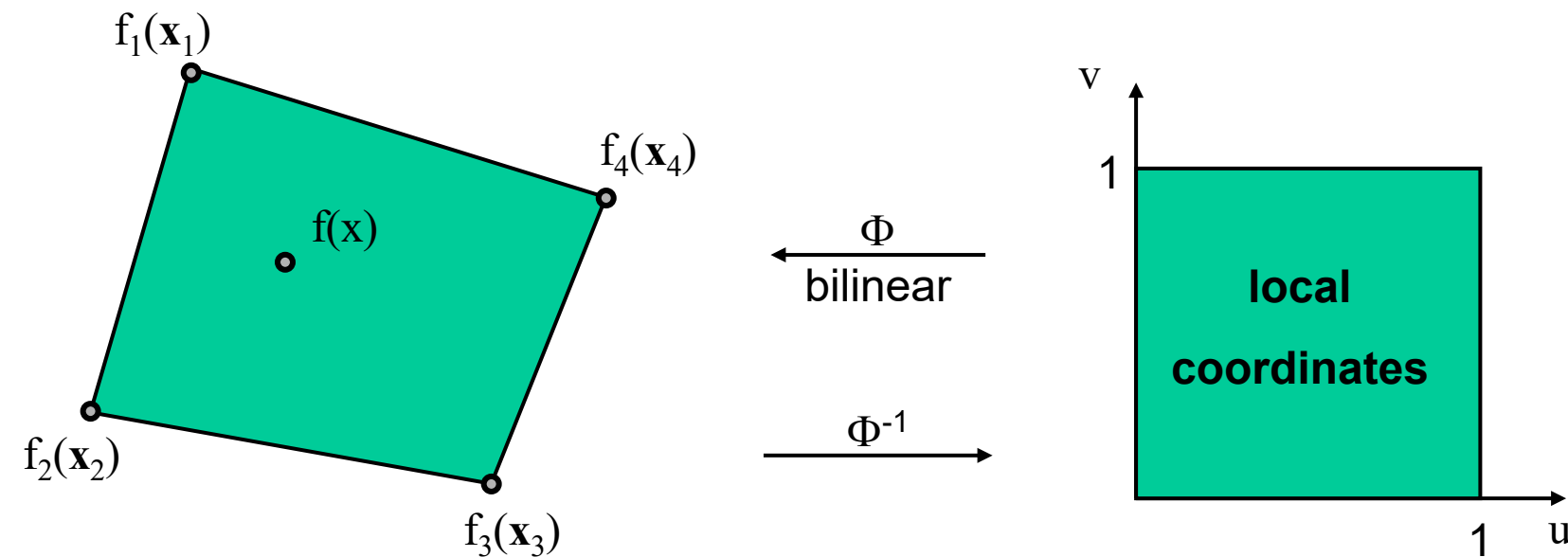
- 3D: tetrahedron



Local Interpolation

Interpolation in a generic quadrilateral

- Main application in curvilinear grids
 - Find a parameterization of arbitrary quadrilaterals
 - Use local coordinates for interpolation

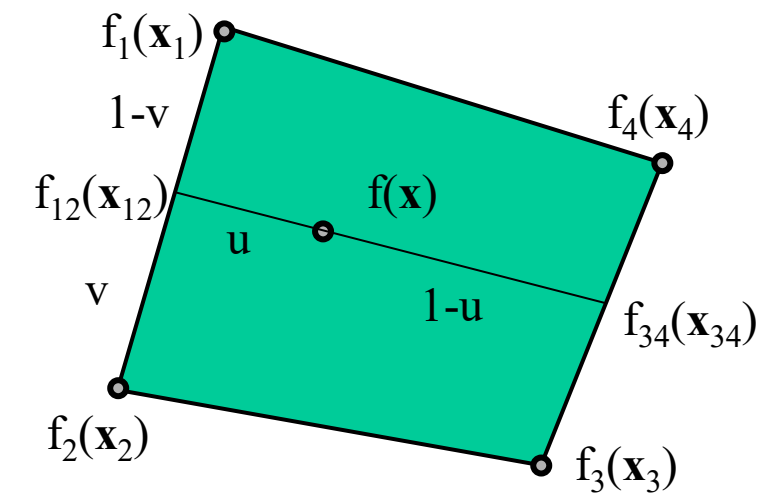


Local Interpolation

- We know $\Phi(u, v) = (x, y)^T$
- Mapping from rectangular to quadratic domain
 - Bilinear interpolation on rectangle

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_{12} &= v\mathbf{x}_1 + (1 - v)\mathbf{x}_2 \\ \mathbf{x}_{34} &= v\mathbf{x}_4 + (1 - v)\mathbf{x}_3\end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = u\mathbf{x}_{34} + (1 - u)\mathbf{x}_{12} \quad \text{with } u, v \in [0, 1]$$



- Final value $f = uvf_4 + u(1 - v)f_3 + (1 - u)vf_1 + (1 - u)(1 - v)f_2$

Local Interpolation

Computing the inverse $\Phi^{-1}(x, y) = (u, v)^T$ is more complicated

- Analytically, solve quadratic system for u, v
 - Use numerical solution by Newton iteration instead
- Stencil-walk algorithm [Bunnig '89]
 - In context of flow visualization
- **Start with seed points $\Phi(u_0, v_0) = (x_0, y_0)^T$**
 - **Iteratively, move towards solution (x, y) by means of Jacobian $J_\Phi(u, v)$**

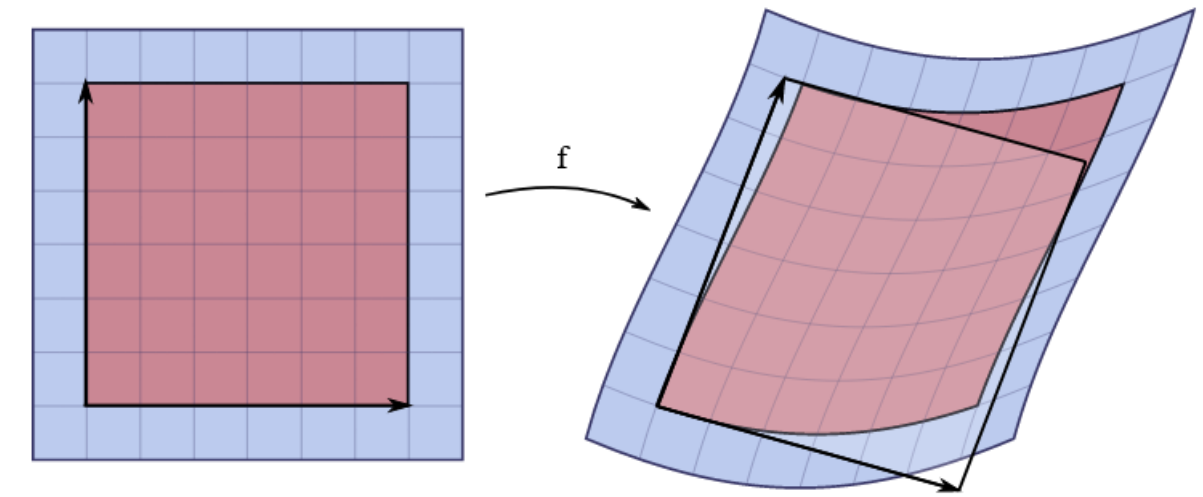
Local Interpolation

Computing the inverse $\Phi^{-1}(x, y) = (u, v)^T$ is more complicated

- Determine start value
 - $(u_0, v_0) \in \{(0,0), (1,0), (0,1), (1,1)\}$ depending on closest vertex (x, y)
 - Alternatively, start from center: $u_0 = v_0 = 1/2$
- Jacobi matrix $J_\Phi(u, v)$
 - $J_\Phi(a)_{i,j} = \frac{\partial \Phi_i}{\partial x_j}$, with $x = (u, v)$
 - The Jacobian describes direction and speed of position changes of Φ when the parameters are varied

Local Interpolation

- From Taylor:
$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - \Phi(u_0, v_0) \approx J_\Phi(u_0, v_0) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 - u_0 \\ v_1 - v_0 \end{pmatrix}$$



solange Ableiten bis keine Änderung mehr

- Determine local coordinates (u_1, v_1) as follows:
- Solve $J_\Phi(u_0, v_0) \begin{pmatrix} \Delta u \\ \Delta v \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - \Phi(u_0, v_0)$ and set $(u_1, v_1) = (u_0 + \Delta u, v_0 + \Delta v)$

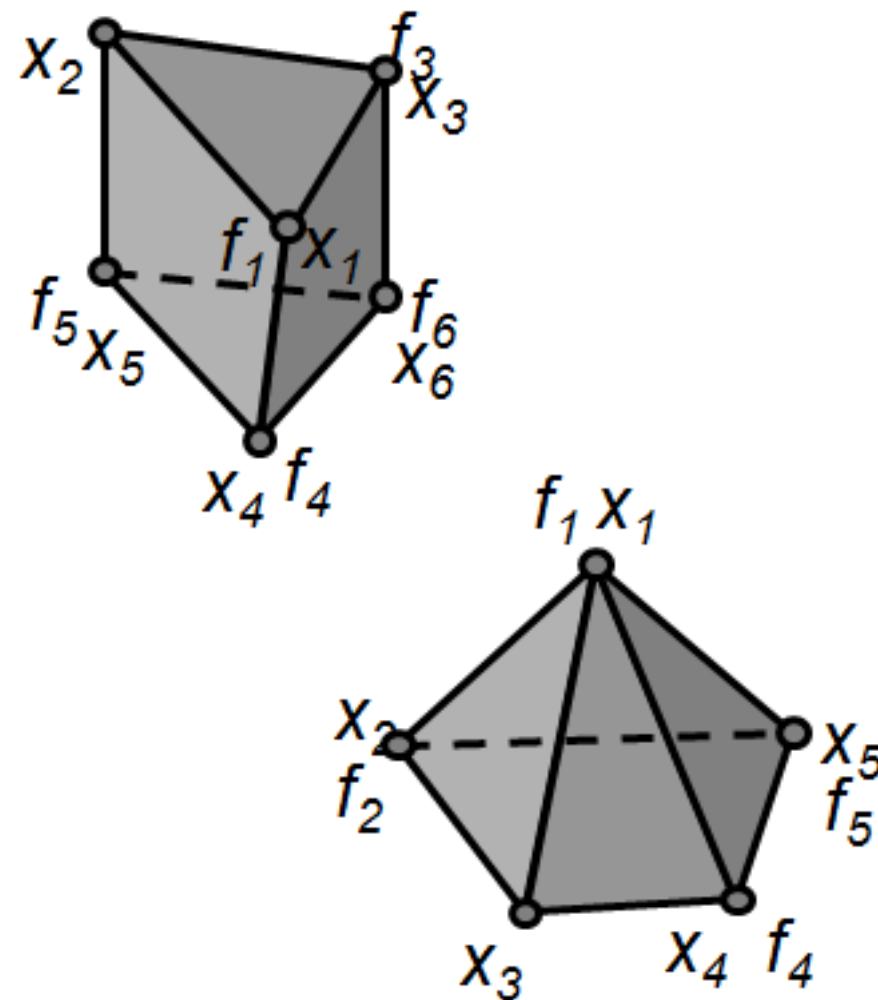
- Newton iteration

```
start with start configuration as seed points
while ( ||x - Φ(u, v)|| > ε )
  compute J(Φ(u, v))
  transform x in coordinate system J(Φ):
    (Δu, Δv) = J(Φ(u, v))-1 · ( x - Φ(u, v) )
  update (ui+1, vi+1) = (ui, vi) + (Δu, Δv)
```

Local Interpolation

More 3D cases

- Tetrahedron → Barycentric
- Hexahedron (Box) → Trilinear
- Prism (over triangle)
 - Twice barycentric → once linear
- Pyramid (over quadrangle)
 - Bilinear on base face → then linear



3.6.2 Global Interpolation

Global Interpolation

More advanced interpolation functions

- Interpolation aims to estimate function values based on samples
 - Linear interpolation: very simple + acceptable quality
 - Considers only local neighborhood
- To improve quality find a better approximation function
 - Increases calculation cost (usually)
 - The right choice is often application dependent
- Might consider bigger neighborhood or all samples → global interpolation

Global Interpolation

Lanczos Filter

- sinc on a sliding window (neighborhood size)
 - Choose window size a (number of samples), then

$$L(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x = 0 \\ \frac{a \sin(\pi x) \sin(\pi x/a)}{\pi^2 x^2}, & -a \leq x < a \wedge x \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{sonst} \end{cases}$$

- and the interpolation function is $f(x) = \sum_{i=\lfloor x \rfloor - a + 1}^{\lfloor x \rfloor + a} x_i L(x - i)$

Global Interpolation

Splines

- In general, given $n + 1$ samples $\{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and corresponding values $\{y_0, y_1, \dots, y_n\}$, where $x_i \neq x_k$, if $i \neq k$ and $0 \leq i, k \leq n$ the set of polynomials

$$L_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{0 \leq k \leq n \\ i \neq k}} \frac{x - x_k}{x_i - x_k} \text{ of degree } n \text{ form a basis of a space where we can construct a}$$

function $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i L_i(x)$, that interpolates the given samples (i.e. $f(x_i) = y_i$)

- The polynomials are called **Lagrange**-Polynomials and there is a **unique** polynomial for any given set of points

Global Interpolation

Splines

- Problems
 - For $n+1$ data points we get a polynomial of degree n
 - High degree polynomials lead to oscillation at the edges of intervals (Runge's phenomenon) – hence they are infeasible for interpolation of large data
- Solution approach
 - Split the interval $x_0 \leq x_n$ into subintervals $[t_0, t_1], \dots, [t_i, t_{i+1}], \dots [t_{n-1}, t_n]$
 - Interpolate each subinterval with appropriate polynomial
 - Connect the individual segments → **Spline**

Global Interpolation

Splines

- Spline polynomials form a base for f : $f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n B_i^n(x)b_i$ on the intervals
 - B_i^n are the basis functions, b_i the control points, forming a control polygon
 - b_i is usually not equal to x_i (depending on the spline)
 - b_i can be chosen such that $f(x_i) = y_i$
 - Continuity constraints at the interval borders depend on spline type
- There exist different Spline types with different properties
 - Cardinal Splines, Catmull-Rom Splines, Bézier-Splines, B-Splines, ...

Global Interpolation

Catmull-Rom Interpolation

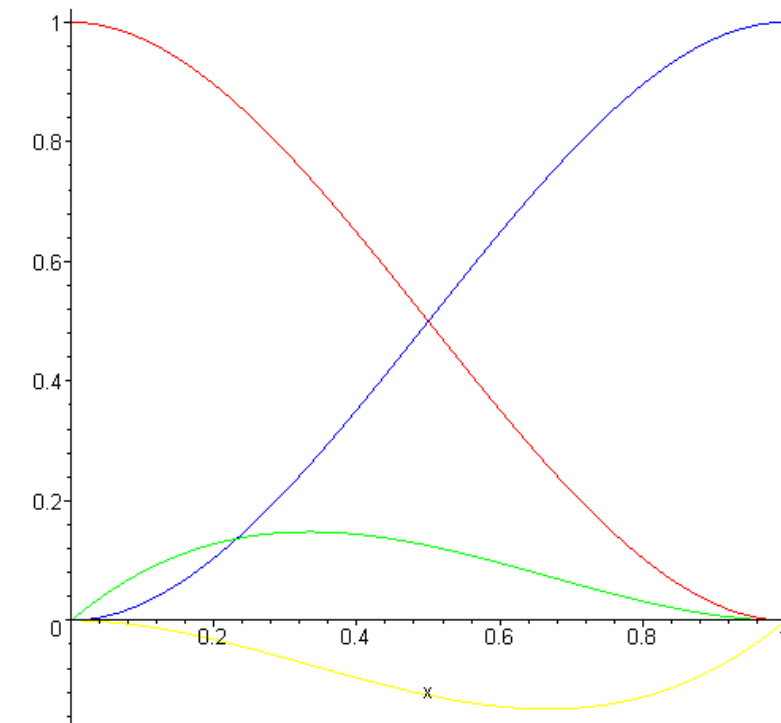
- Compromise between "local linear" and "global B-Spline"
- Properties
 - Spline passes through all control points (i.e. $b_i = x_i!$)
 - Piecewise cubic, C^1 -continuous
 - There are *no discontinuities* in tangent direction and magnitude
 - Not C^2 -continuous
 - Second derivative is *linearly interpolated* within each segment
 - Error: $O(h^3)$

Global Interpolation

Hermite-Interpolation

- Given P_0, P'_0, P_1, P'_1 , then there exists a unique cubic polynomial f with
 - $f(t_0) = P_0, f'(t_0) = P'_0, f(t_1) = P_1, f'(t_1) = P'_1$

Hermite polynoms	$f(0)$	$f'(0)$	$f'(1)$	$f(1)$
$H_0(t) = (1-t)^2(2t+1)$	1	0	0	0
$H_1(t) = t(1-t)^2$	0	1	0	0
$H_2(t) = -t^2(1-t)$	0	0	1	0
$H_3(t) = t^2(3-2t)$	0	0	0	1

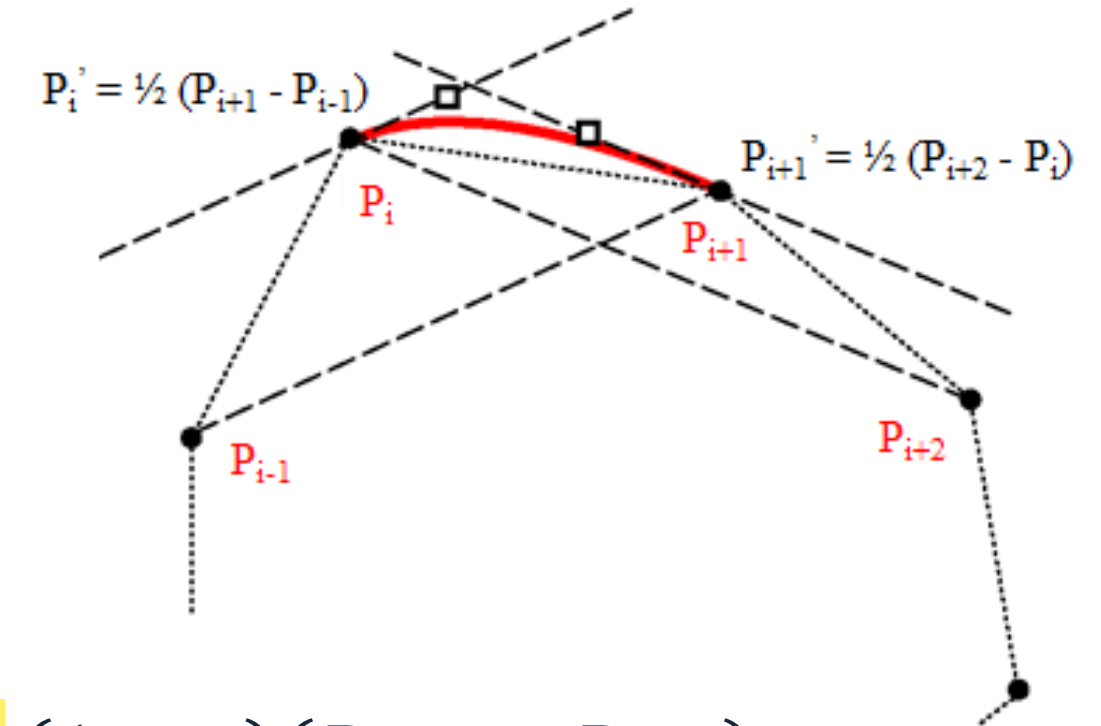


- Then $f(t) = P_0H_0(t) + P'_0H_1(t) + P'_1H_2(t) + P_1H_3(t)$
 interpolates the positions P_0 and P_1 and the derivatives P'_0 and P'_1 !

Global Interpolation

Cardinal splines

- Subset of Hermite curves
 - Calculate tangent points from control points: $P_i' = \frac{1}{2}(1 - c)(P_{i+1} - P_{i-1})$
 - c is a *tension* parameter
- **Catmull-Rom Splines**
 - Subset of cardinal splines where $c = 0$
 - Estimate derivatives by symmetric differences
 - Derivatives at a point P_i are parallel to the line $[P_{i-1}; P_{i+1}]$
 - We have the local property, i.e. if $t_i < t < t_{i+1}$, then $f(t)$ depends only on $P_{i-1}, P_i, P_{i+1}, P_{i+2}$

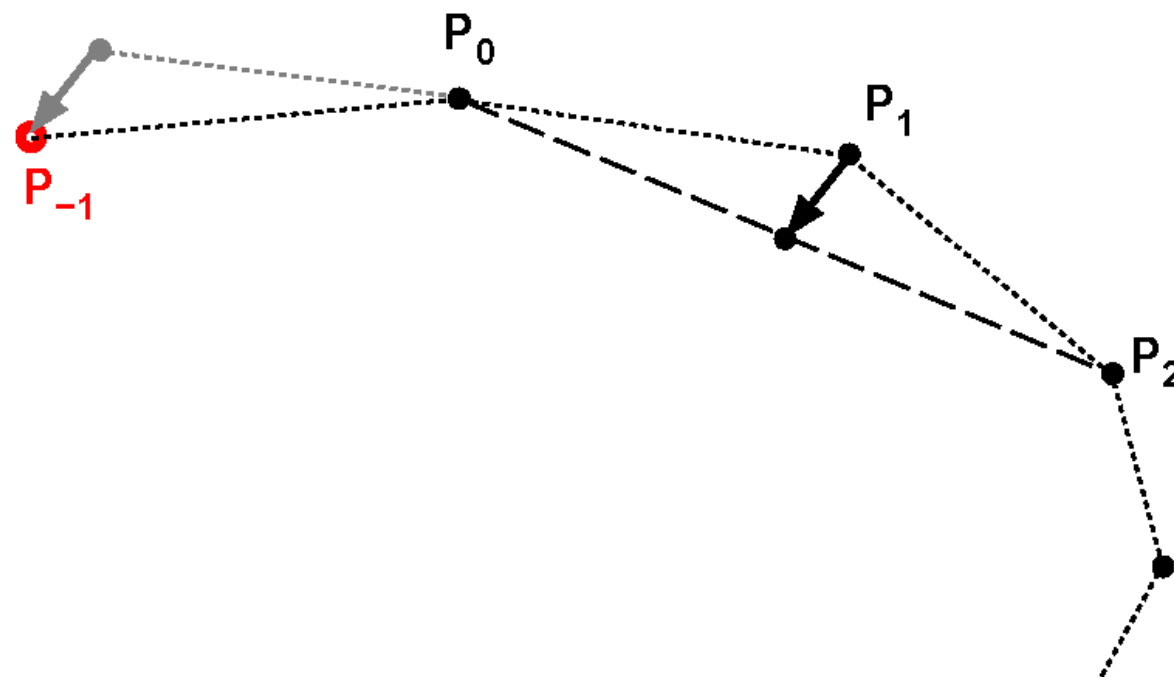


Ableitung am Punkt P_i

Global Interpolation

Estimate of derivatives in border points

- For this determine P_{-1} resp. P_{n+1}
 - I.e. estimate tangent along the lines $[P_{-1}; P_0]$, and $[P_n; P_{n+1}]$
 - This leads to the natural boundary condition $f''(t_0) = f''(t_n) = 0$



Global Interpolation

Further Reading and advanced topics

- Curves and Surfaces (Geometric Modelling)
 - Gerald Farin, Curves and Surfaces for CAGD, 5th Ed., Elsevier
 - Banchoff & Lovett, Differential Geometry of Curves and Surfaces, 3rd Ed., Chapman and Hall/CRC
 - Abate & Tovenar, Curves and Surfaces, Springer
- Advanced Topics: Scattered Data Interpolation using Radial Basis Functions
 - e.g. Iske, Scattered Data Modelling Using Radial Basis Functions, Springer