

## MA266 NURBS quiz study guide 5% of course grade

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1. What does NURBS stand for?
  - a. Non Uniform Rational B-Splines
2. NURBS surfaces are defined by
  - a. Curves
3. Curves and Surfaces have how many display levels?
  - a. Three
4. What two basic methods are used to create NURBS models?
  - a. Use of primitives
  - b. Use of curves to create surfaces
5. List the components in a curve.
  - a. Control Vertex
  - b. Edit Point
  - c. Curve Point
  - d. Hull
6. An open CV and U indicate what on a curve?
  - a. The start of the curve direction
7. A "Span" is the distance between two of these 'curve components'.
  - a. Edit Points
8. What is the minimum number of CVs required to make a cubic curve?
  - a. Four
9. List the three states the 'form' of a curve or surface can take.
  - a. Open
  - b. Closed
  - c. Periodic
10. List the surface components
  - a. Control Vertex
  - b. Isoparm
  - c. Hull
  - d. Surface Point
  - e. Surface Patch
  - f. Surface UV
11. Use of the Trim tool or Booleans will produce a secondary component called a....
  - a. Trim Edge
12. What must you remember to do in the options before attaching curves or attaching surfaces?
  - a. Uncheck "Keep Originals"
13. If you attach a linear surface and a cubic surface, what degree will the new surface have?
  - a. Cubic
14. What Surface creation tool will sweep a "profile" curve  $360^{\circ}$  on its center pivot?
  - a. Revolve

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15. What Surface creation tool will sweep a “profile” curve along a “path” curve?
  - a. Extrude. Style set to ‘Tube’
16. What Surface creation tool will sweep a single profile curve a specified distance along the curve’s Profile Normal or along a chosen axis?
  - a. Extrude. Style set to ‘Distance’
17. What Surface creation tool will create a surface between two or more “profile curves”?
  - a. loft
18. What Surface creation tool will create a surface between two “rail” curves and three or more “profile” curves?
  - a. Birail 3+
19. The rendered detail and smoothness of a NURBS surface can be improved by increasing the quality and value of this attribute.
  - a. Tessellation
20. What function would you use to convert an Isoparm into a curve?
  - a. Duplicate Surface curve
21. For Bevel Plus to work with multiple curves, all the curves must be what?
  - a. Planar
22. What is the most effective way to increase the number of CVs/Hulls at a specific place on a surface?
  - a. Use Insert Isoparm
23. What is the most effective tool you can use to add CVs to a specific location on a curve.
  - a. Insert Knot
24. What is the most effective way to increase the number of CVs/Hulls across the whole surface?
  - a. Rebuild Surface
25. List three methods of closing the top of an open surface.
  - a. Pinch
  - b. Loft and Attach
  - c. Planar
26. List the two styles for both Attach curve and Attach Surface.
  - a. Connect
  - b. Blend
27. When using Attach curve/surface, set to blend, what option can be checked to create a rounded corner?
  - a. Blend Knot Insertion
28. A profile curve can be added onto a surface by using what function?
  - a. Project curve onto surface
29. The Surface’s Freeform Fillet tool will create a fillet between two of these selected components.
  - a. Isoparms

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1. ☒ T ☐ F The default setting for **Bevel Plus** will produce a polygon mesh.
2. ☒ T ☐ F NURBS surfaces are rendered as polygons.  
(*Tessellation value determines poly-count. Increase Tessellation for quality render*)
3. ☐ T ☒ F A Surface Fillet will blend two surfaces into one.  
(*The Fillet is like a skirt, giving the appearance of a single shape*)
4. ☒ T ☐ F A polygon plane can be extruded along a curve.
5. ☒ T ☐ F Polygon edges can be converted into curves.
6. ☒ T ☐ F Any surface creation tool can be set to generate a polygon mesh.
7. ☐ T ☒ F The **display level** of 1 displays a curve or surface as it will appear in a render.  
(*What are the display levels for NURBS?*)
8. ☐ T ☒ F Surfaces and curves are best created and modified through the **Edit Points**.  
(*What order do curves loft?*)
9. ☒ T ☐ F A **cubic curve** can be used to create a linear revolve.
10. ☐ T ☒ F **Loft** creates a surface across a series of curves in the order they were created.  
(*What order are curves lofted?*)
11. ☐ T ☒ F A **Trim Edge** cannot be converted to a curve. (*Use duplicate surface curve*)
12. ☒ T ☐ F An isoparm can be treated just like a curve.  
(*Isoparms can be turned into curves, lofted, extruded...etc*)
13. ☒ T ☐ F All surfaces have a **seam**. (*How does this affect a projected curve or fillet?*)  
(*Seams can be moved by going to: Surfaces>Move Seam*)
14. ☐ T ☒ F A **trim** actually creates a hole in the surface. (*What does it create?*)
15. ☐ T ☒ F The **Add Points Tool** will only add points to the start of a curve.
16. ☐ T ☒ F A curve can be detached at any CV. (*What components can be selected to "detach?"*)
17. ☒ T ☐ F A surface can be **detached** at any **an Isoparm**.
18. ☒ T ☐ F Unlike polygons, it's permissible for surfaces to have CVs occupying the same space.  
(*Can two surfaces overlap?*)