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Enhancement of a multi-sided Bézier surface representation

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Applications of multi-sided patches

- Curve network based design
 - Feature curves
 - Automatic surface generation
- Hole filling
 - E.g. vertex blends
 - Cross-derivative constraints
- 3D point cloud approximation
 - Given boundary loops
 - Smoothly connected patches

Representation?



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Conventional representations

- Trimmed/split tensor product surfaces
 - Detailed control in the interior
 - CAD-compatible
 - But: continuity problems
- Recursive subdivision
 - Arbitrary topology
 - Easy to design with
 - But: hard to interpolate boundary cross-derivatives
- Transfinite patches
 - Interpolates any number of sides
 - Depends only on the boundary
 - But: little interior control





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Multi-sided surfaces with control networks

- Loop and DeRose (1989)
 - S-patches beautiful theory, difficult to use
- Warren (1992)
 - Based on Bézier triangles, max. 6 sides
- Zheng and Ball (1997)
 - High-degree expressions, max. 6 sides
- Krasauskas (2002)
 - Toric patches lattice-based, symmetry concerns
- Várady et al. (2016)
 - Generalized Bézier patches
 - Regular polygonal domain
 - Symmetric control structure

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Control structu	ire			

Control net derivation from the quadrilateral case

- Control grid \rightarrow *n* ribbons
- Degree: d
- Layers: $I = \left\lfloor \frac{d+1}{2} \right\rfloor$
- Control points:
 - $C_{j,k}^{d,i}$
 - *i* = 1...*n j* = 0...*d*
 - $k = 0 \dots l 1$
- Weights: $\mu_{j,k}^i$







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Domain

- Regular domain in the (u, v) plane
- Side-based local parameterization functions s_i and h_i
 - Based on Wachspress barycentric coordinates $\lambda_i(u, v)$



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Local parameters

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$$s_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_{i-1} + \lambda_i}$$

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$$h_i = 1 - \lambda_{i-1} - \lambda_i$$

Barycentric coordinates λ_i

- $\lambda_i \ge 0$ [positivity]
- $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i = 1$ [partition of unity]
- $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i(u, v) \cdot P_i = (u, v)$ [reproduction]
- $\lambda_i(P_j) = \delta_{ij}$ [Lagrange property]



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Bernstein functions with rational weights

- $C_{j,k}^{d,i}$: *j*-th control point on side *i*, layer *k*
- Multiplied by $\mu^i_{j,k}B^d_{j,k}(s_i,h_i) = \mu^i_{j,k}B^d_j(s_i)B^d_k(h_i)$
- $\mu^i_{i,k}$ is a rational function for 2 \times 2 CPs in each corner
- $\alpha_i = h_{i-1}/(h_{i-1} + h_i), \ \beta_i = h_{i+1}/(h_{i+1} + h_i)$



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Central weight & patch equation

- Weights do not add up to 1
- Deficiency \Rightarrow weight of the central point:

$$B_0^d(u, v) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=0}^d \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} \mu_{j,k}^i B_{j,k}^d(s_i, h_i)$$

• Patch equation:

$$S(u,v) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=0}^{d} \sum_{k=0}^{l-1} C_{j,k}^{d,i} \mu_{j,k}^{i} B_{j,k}^{d}(s_{i},h_{i}) + C_{0}^{d} B_{0}^{d}(u,v)$$

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Interpolation property

Definition

A Bézier ribbon is a Bézier patch given by the first two layers (rows) of control points on a given side.

Theorem

The Generalized Bézier patch, on its boundary, interpolates the position and first crossderivative of the Bézier ribbons of its respective sides.



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Overview

Fixed issues

- Weight deficiency
 - Increases with n and $d \Rightarrow$ Influence of the central control point grows
 - Strongly oscillates between even and odd degrees
- Support for G^2 continuity between patches

New/updated algorithms

- Degree elevation & reduction
- Fullness control
- Approximation of point clouds

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Weight deficiency

- No central control point for odd-degree patches
- For even-degree patches: $C_{l,l}^d \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_{l,i}^i B_{l,l}^d(s_i, h_i)$
- Weight deficiency is distributed amongst the innermost blend functions







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New parameterization

- Better isoline distribution
- Lower weight deficiency
- Constraints:
 - $h_i = 0.5$ tangential to s_{i-1} and s_{i+1}
 - Middle point on a circular arc





 $V_{i^{\pm 3}}$

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G^2 cont	inuity			

• Use squared terms in the rational weights:



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Degree elevation & reduction

- Essentially the same as in the original paper
- Linear and bilinear combinations
- Modifies the surface (slightly)
- The control net is generated by reductions and elevations
 - Default positions for internal control points



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Fullness control

- Multi-resolution editing technique
- Edit a control point of a lower-degree patch
 - E.g. quartic central point
- Its influence is propagated by degree elevation



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Approximation

- Least-squares fit of points
- Initial surface
 - Generated by the boundary constraints
- Initial parameterization
 - Projection
- Iteration:
 - Fit with smoothing
 - Degree elevation
 - Re-parameterization
- Smoothing
 - Reduce oscillation of the control points



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Torso



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Torso – detail



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Gamepad



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Summary

Generalized Bézier patches

- Side-based interpretation
- All control points generated by the boundaries via degree elevation
- Interior control

Enhancements

- Follow the quadrilateral patch more closely
- Central control point / weight deficiency fixed
- Better parameterization
- Curvature continuity
- Approximation algorithm

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Patches over concave domains



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