

Free-Form Deformation of Solid Geometric Models

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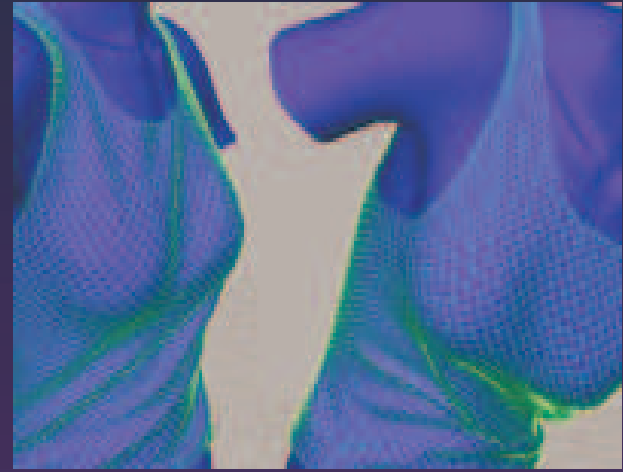
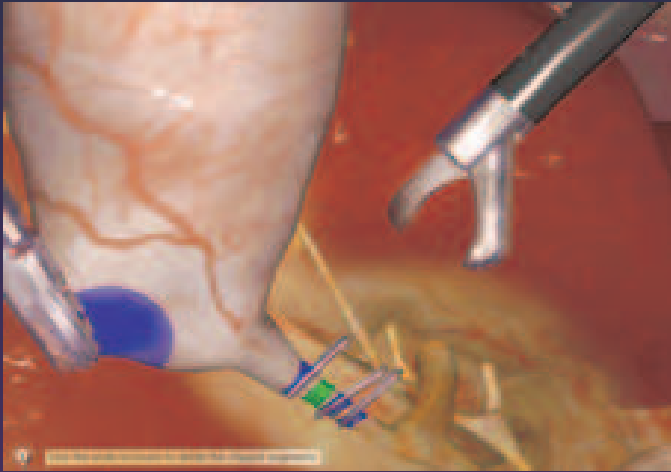
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Deformation Applications

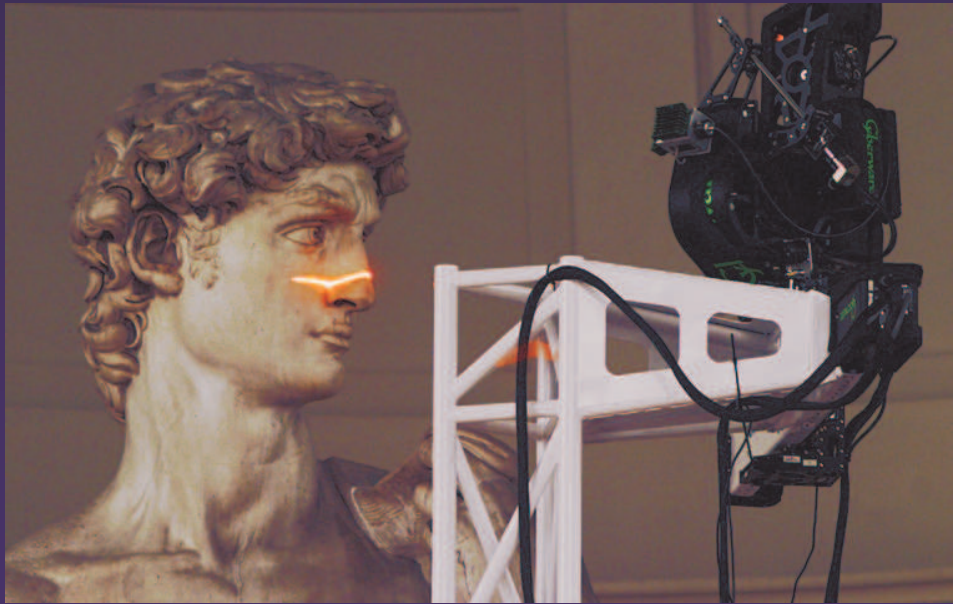


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Challenges in Deformation

- Large meshes – millions of polygons
- Need efficient techniques for computing and specifying the deformation



Digital Michelangelo Project



FFD Contributions

- Smooth deformations of arbitrary shapes
- Local control of deformation
- Performing deformation is fast

- Widely used
 - ◆ Game/Movie industry
 - ◆ Part of nearly every 3D modeler

Bernstein Polynomials

- Different polynomial basis

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & t & t^2 & t^3 \\ (1-t)^3 & 3(1-t)^2t & 3(1-t)t^2 & t^3 \end{array}$$

- Arbitrary degree polynomials

$$\begin{array}{cccc} (1-t) & t & & \\ (1-t)^2 & 2(1-t)t & t^2 & \\ (1-t)^3 & 3(1-t)^2t & 3(1-t)t^2 & t^3 \\ \vdots & & & \end{array}$$

Properties of Bernstein Polynomials

- All polynomials can be written as Bernstein polynomials

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a_i t^i = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i \frac{n!}{(n-i)!i!} (1-t)^{n-i} t^i$$

- Polynomials sum to one

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

Geometric Properties of Bernstein Polynomials

$$F(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i \frac{n!}{(n-i)!i!} (1-t)^{n-i} t^i$$

- Interpolates its end-points

$$F(0) = b_0 \qquad F(1) = b_n$$

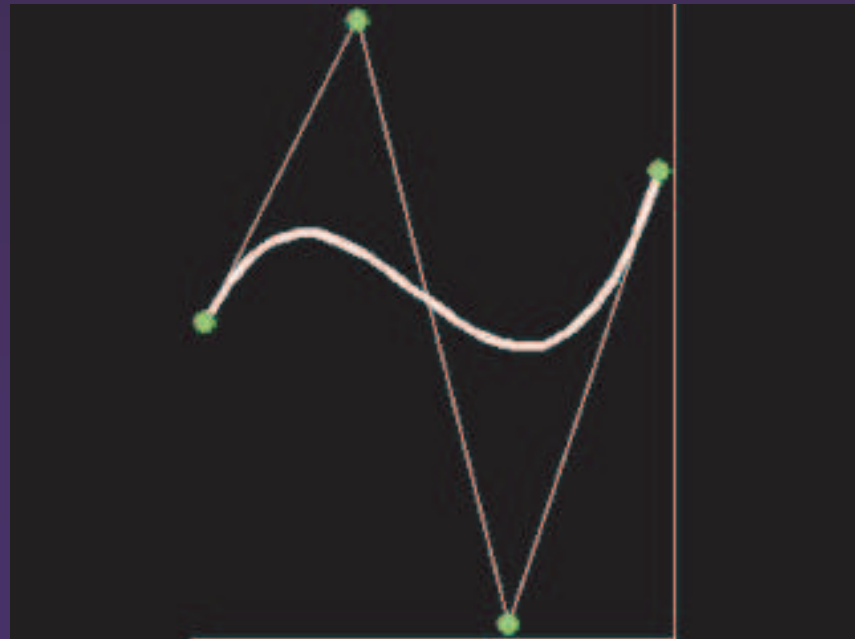
- End-point derivatives given by differences

$$F'(0) = n(b_1 - b_0) \qquad F'(1) = n(b_n - b_{n-1})$$

Bezier Curves

- Parametric curves defined by Bernstein polynomials

$$(x(t), y(t)) = \sum_{i=0}^n (x_i, y_i) \frac{n!}{(n-i)!i!} (1-t)^{n-i} t^i$$



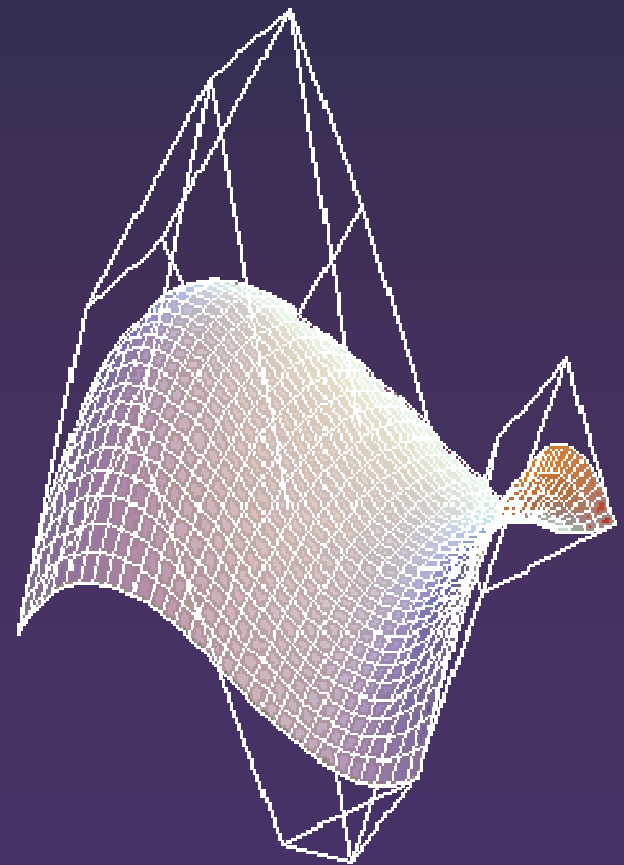
The Tensor Product Operation

$$x_j(u) = \sum_{i=0}^n x_{i,j} B_i(u)$$

$$y_i(v) = \sum_{j=0}^n y_{i,j} B_j(v)$$

$$p(u,v) = \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n (x_{i,j}, y_{i,j}) B_i(u) B_j(v)$$

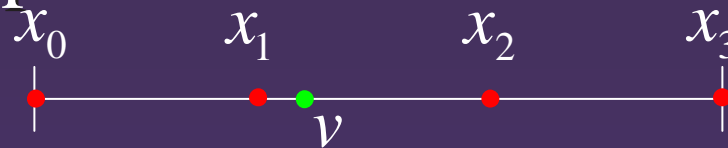
v	$(1-u)v$	uv
$(1-v)$	$(1-u)(1-v)$	$u(1-v)$
	$(1-u)$	u



Free-Form Deformations

- Embed object in uniform grid
- Represent every point in space as a weighted combination of the control points

- 1D Example

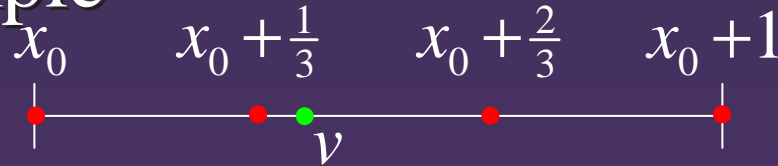


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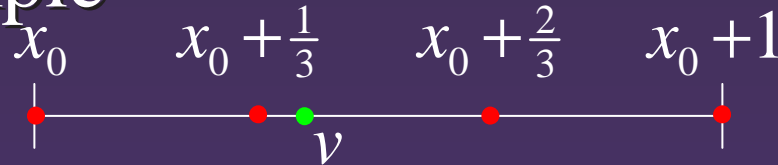


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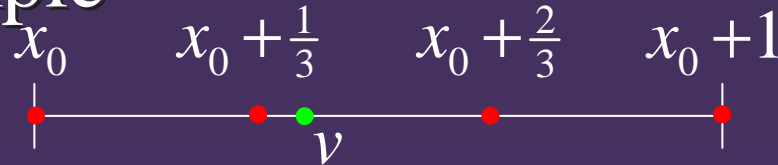


$$v = x(t) = \sum_{i=0}^3 \left(x_0 + \frac{i}{3}\right) \frac{3!}{(3-i)!i!} (1-t)^{3-i} t^i = x_0 + t$$

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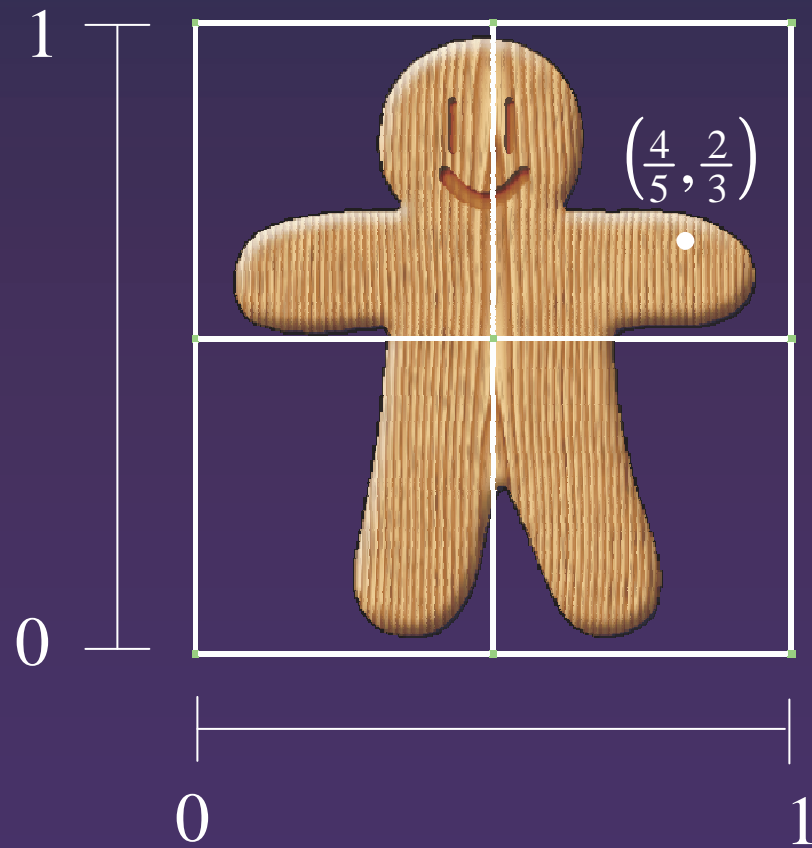
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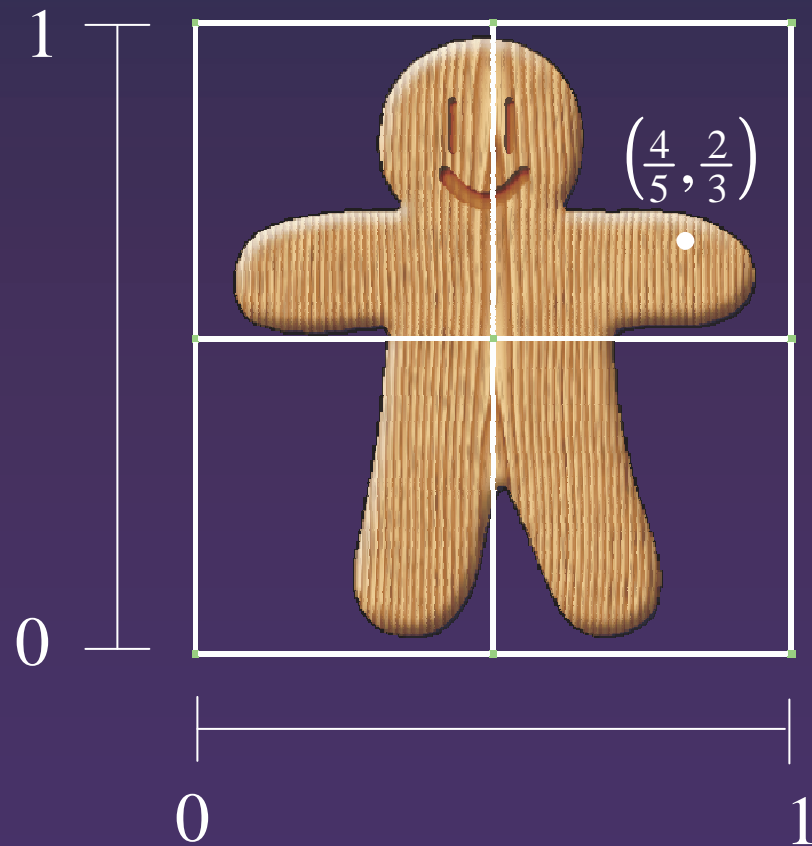


$$v = \sum_{i=0}^3 x_i \frac{3!}{(3-i)!i!} (1 - (v - x_0))^{3-i} (v - x_0)^i = \sum_{i=0}^3 x_i \alpha_i$$

2D Example



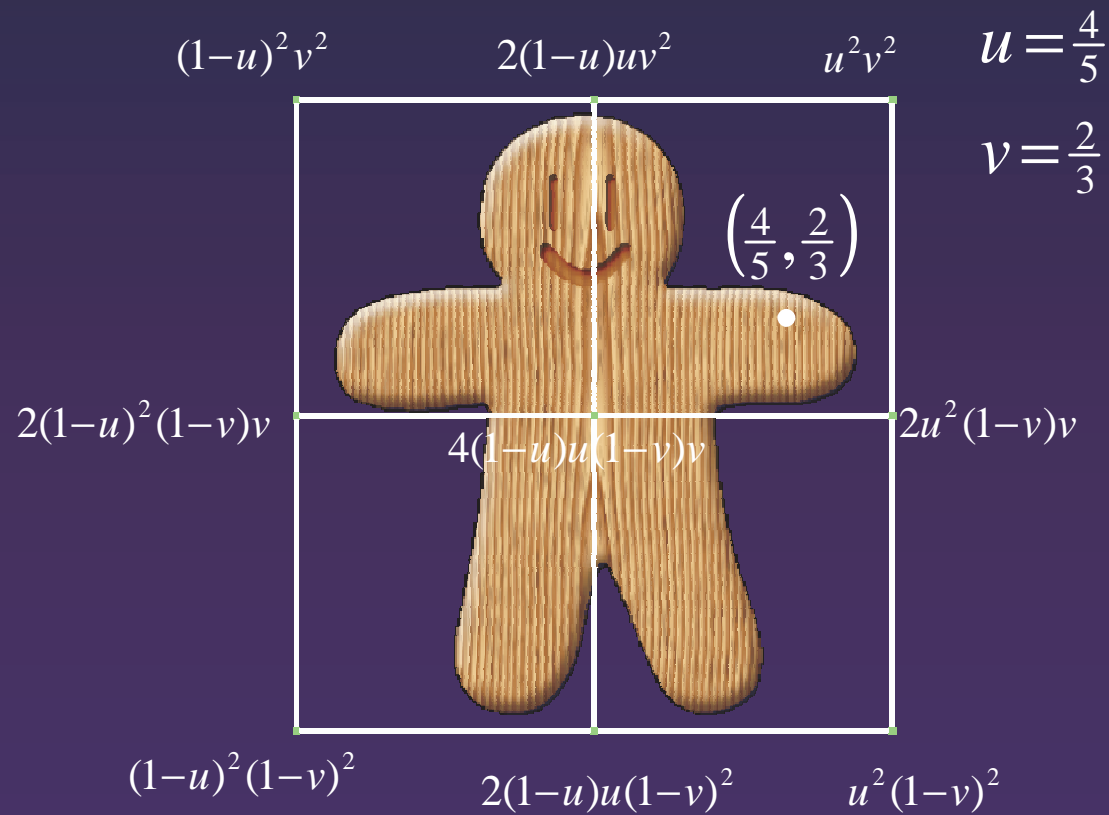
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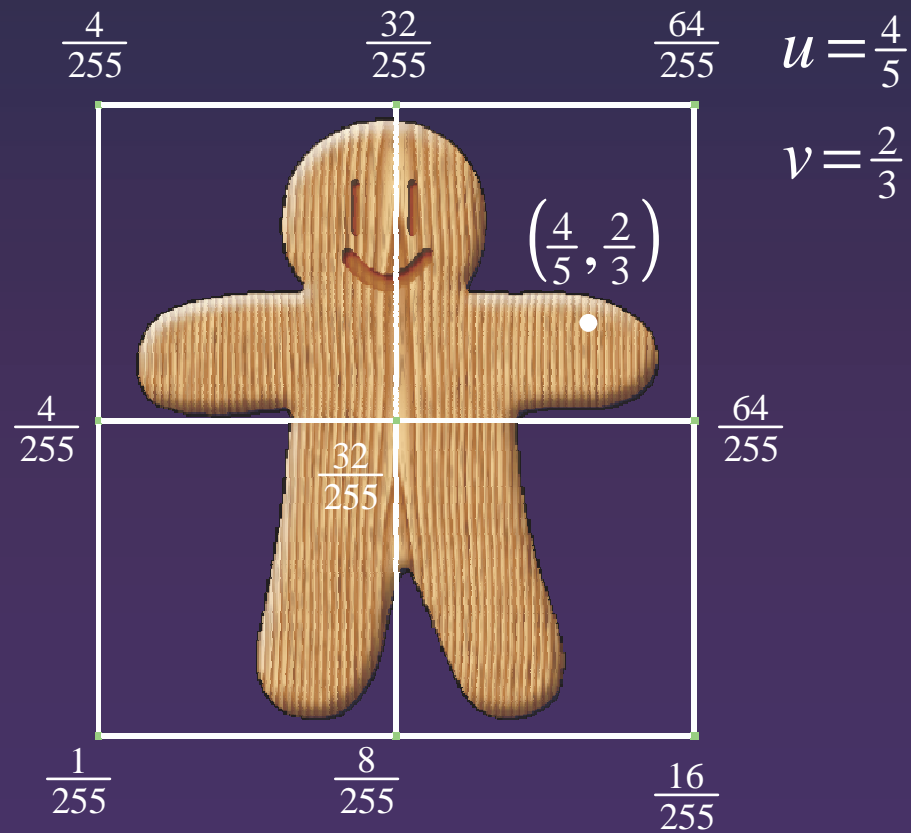
$$u = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$v = \frac{2}{3}$$

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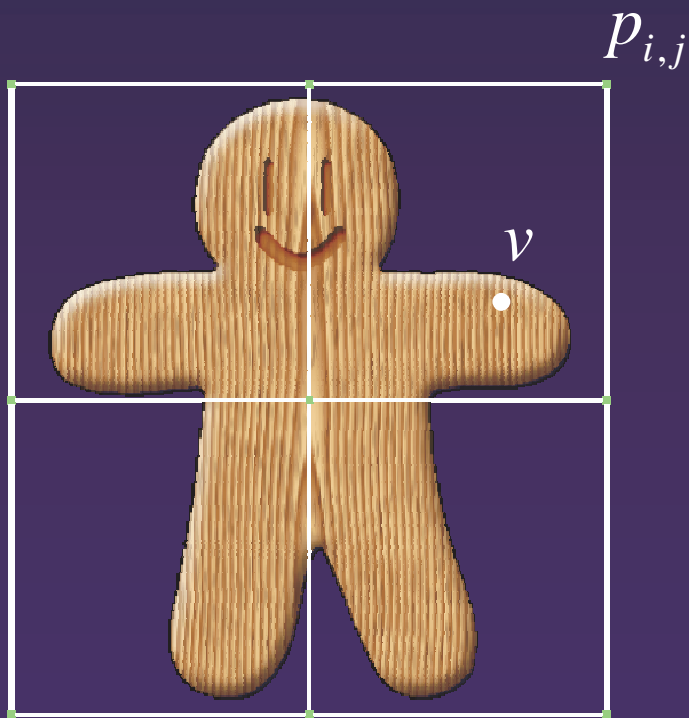


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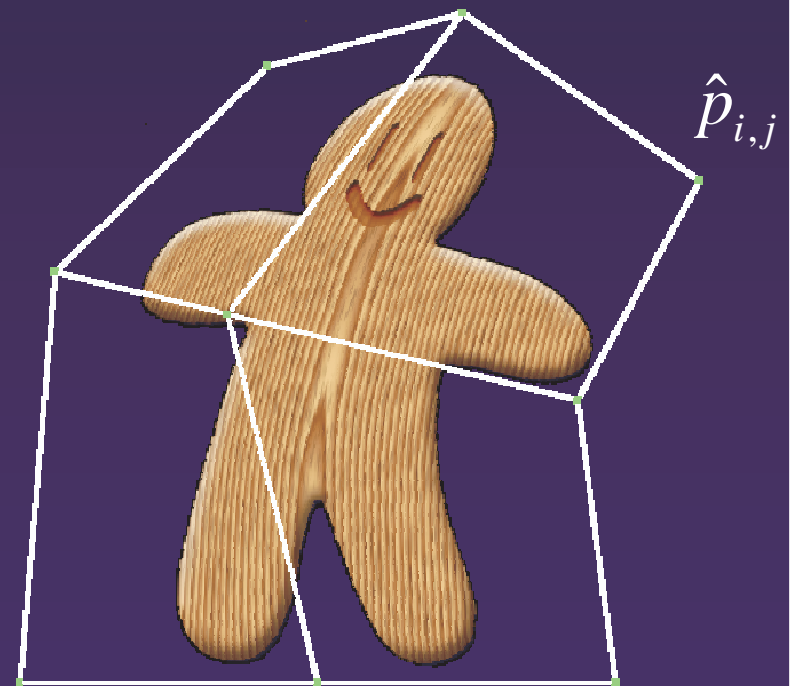
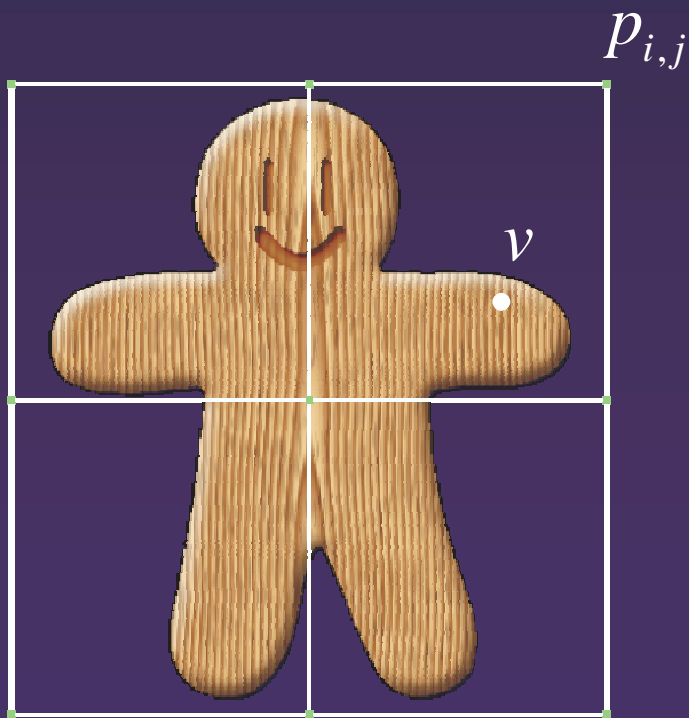
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$$v = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{i,j} p_{i,j}$$



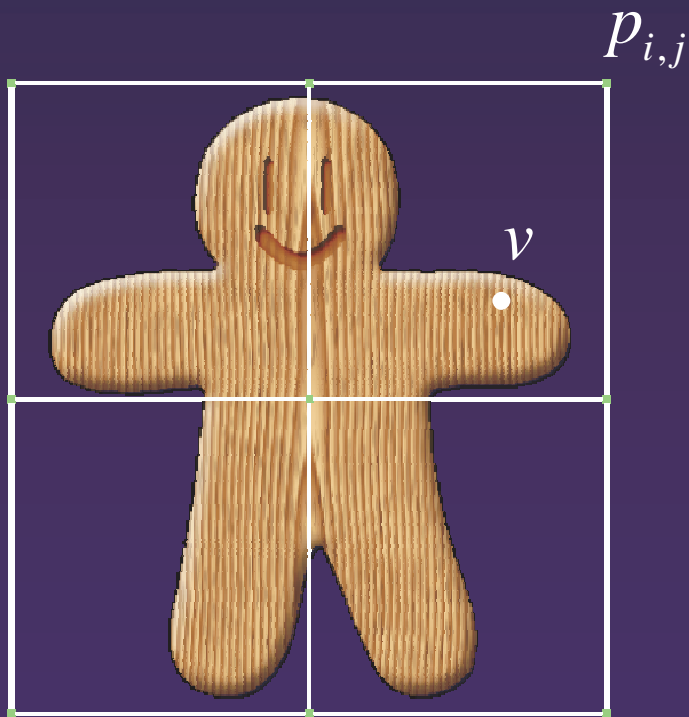
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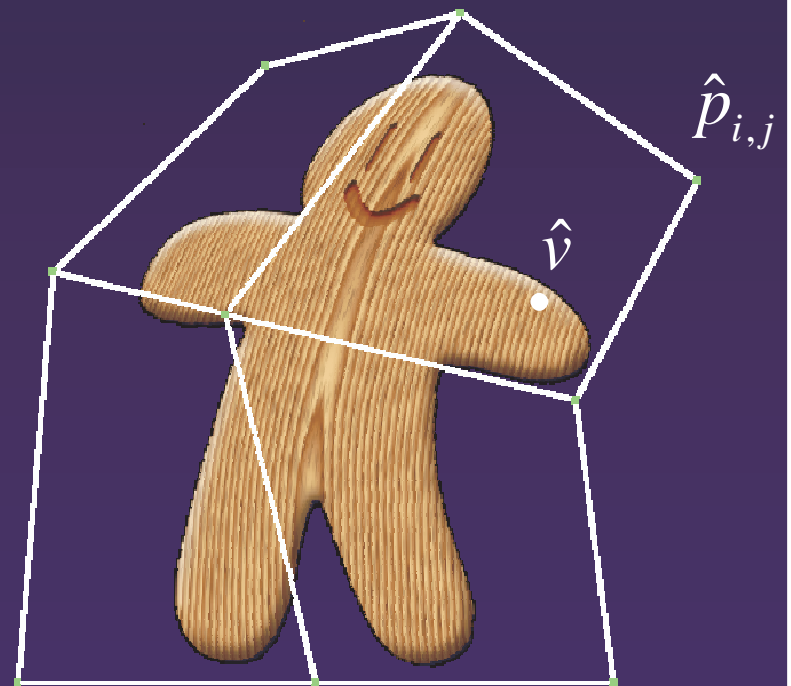


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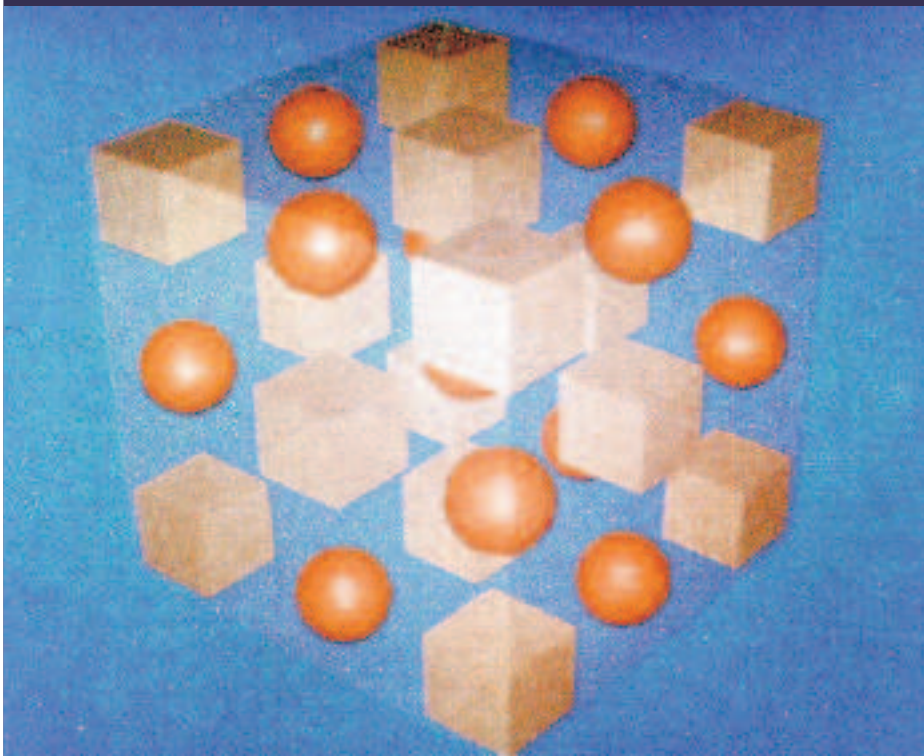
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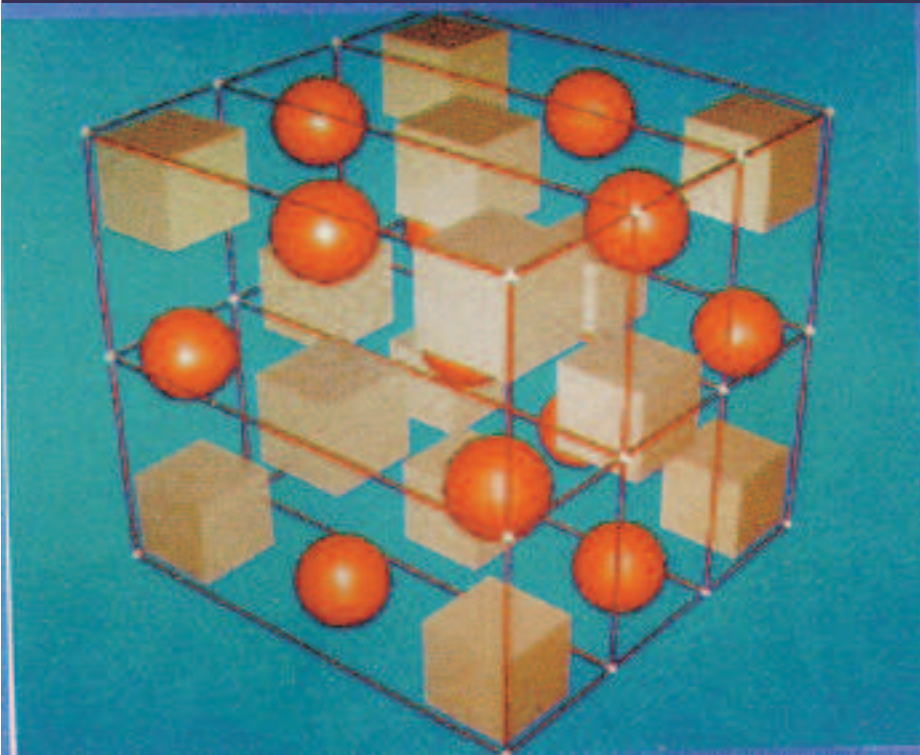
$$\hat{v} = \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{i,j} \hat{p}_{i,j}$$



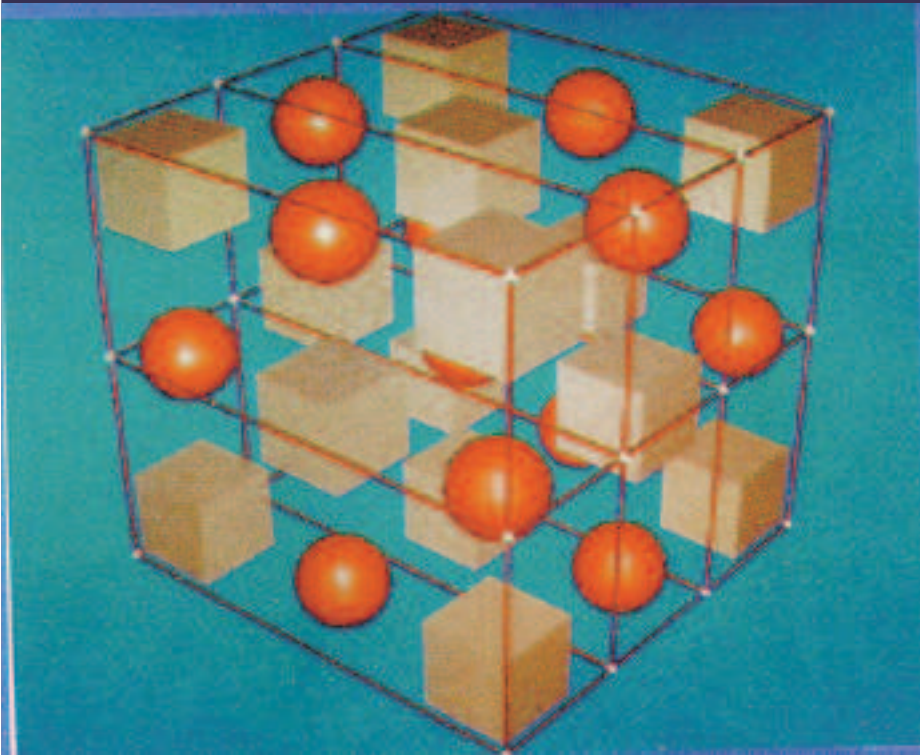
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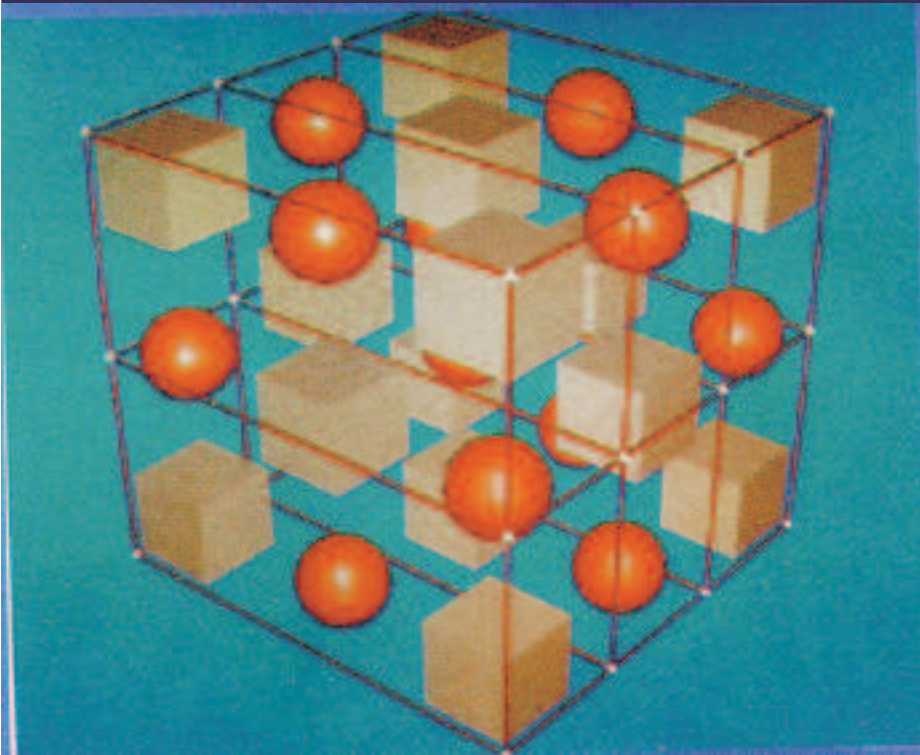
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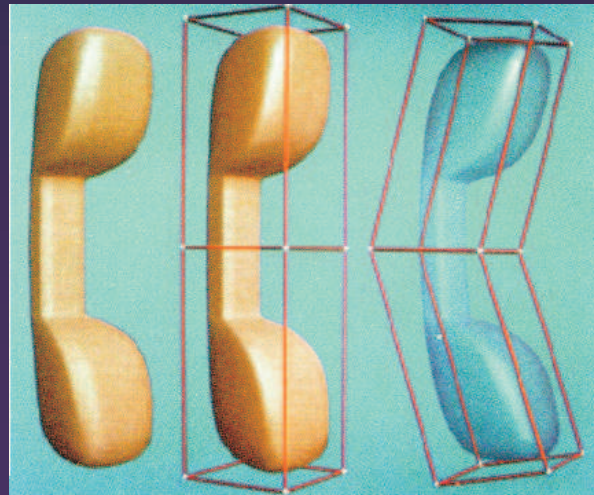
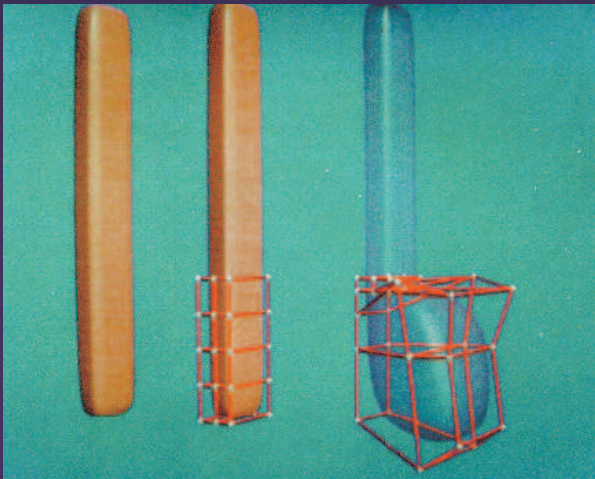
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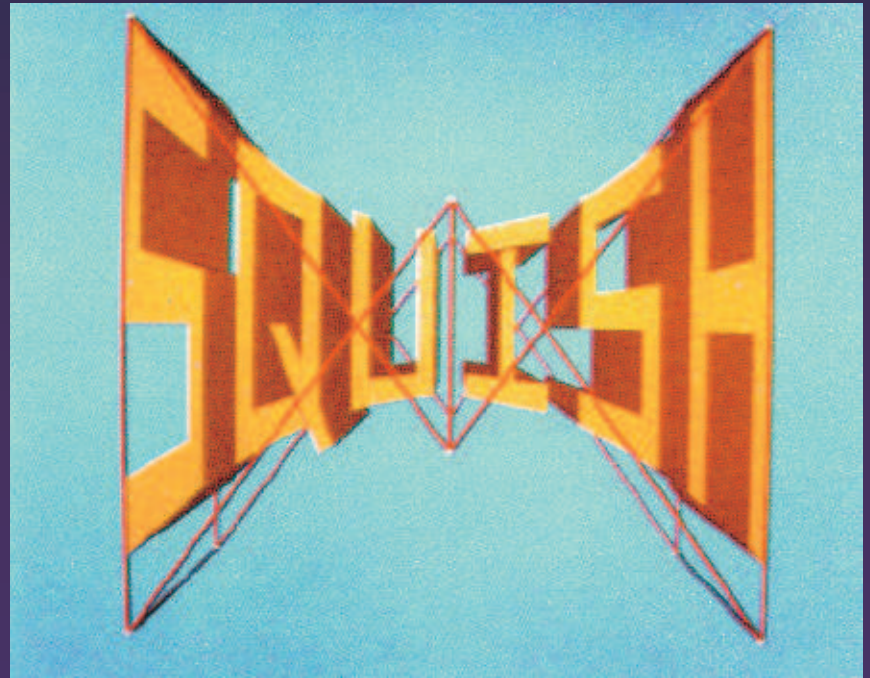
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- Smoothness of deformation: C^{-1} , C^0 , C^1 , C^2
- Creates conditions on Bezier control points



Volume Preservation

- Ensure that the Jacobian of the FFD is 1

$$(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}) = (F(x, y, z), G(x, y, z), H(x, y, z))$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial F}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial G}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial G}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial G}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial H}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix} = 1$$



Advantages

- Smooth deformations of arbitrary shapes
- Local control of deformation
- Computing the deformations is easy
- Deformations are very fast



Disadvantages

- Must use cubical cells for deformation
- Restricted to uniform grid
- Space warping
 - ◆ Deformations do not take into account structure of surface
- May need many FFD's to achieve a simple deformation

Summary

- Widely used deformation technique
- Fast, easy to compute
- Some control over volume preservation
- Controllable degrees of smoothness

- Uniform grids are restrictive