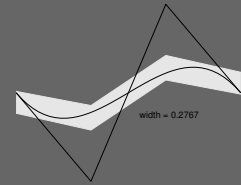
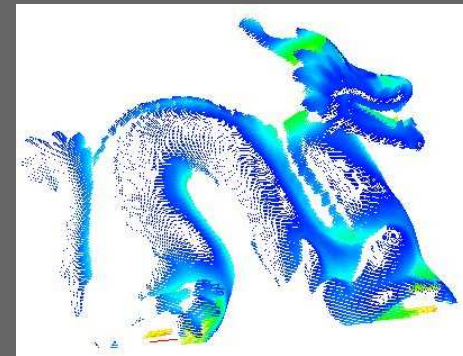
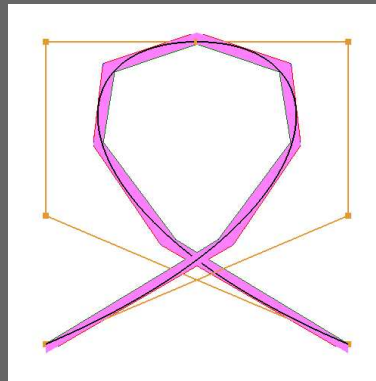
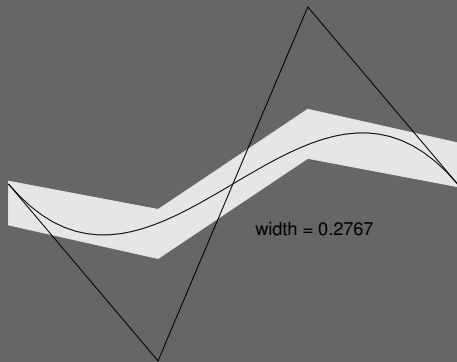


# Mid-Structures Linking Curved and Linear Geometry



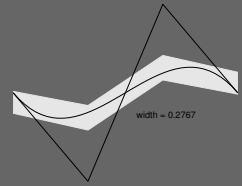
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# Goals and Outline

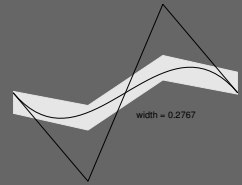
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- (1) *SLEFEs*: Enclosing Functions
- (2) *Mid-structures*: *Quantitatively* Coupling Curved and pw Linear Geometry
- (3) *Constrained Design*: One-sided fitting

Improves Robustness (Collision, Rendering, Conversion)

# SLEFEs: Enclosing Functions



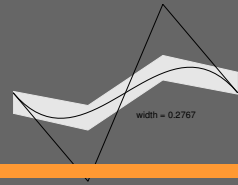
Find an explicit two-sided approximation  $\bar{x}, \underline{x}$  of a map  $x$  so that  $\underline{x} \leq x \leq \bar{x}$  over the domain of interest.

- Efficiently* (few pieces, easy to compute)
- Tightly*
- (predictively) *Refinable*
- (Affinely) *Invariant*, ...

Then the pair  $\underline{x}, \bar{x}$  is a

*Subdividable Linear Efficient Function Enclosure* (SLEFE) of  $x$ .

# SLEFE construction



Given: space  $B$  of functions to be enclosed.

0) *Choose*  $U$  (domain of interest),  $H$  enclosure functions.

1)  $s := \dim B - \dim B \cap H < \infty$ .

*Choose*  $s$  functionals  $\mathcal{F} : B \mapsto \mathbb{R}^s$  so that  $\ker \mathcal{F} = B \cap H$ .

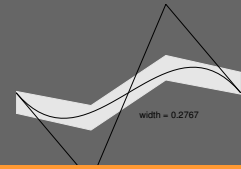
2) Compute new basis  $\mathbf{a} : \mathbb{R}^s \mapsto B$  so that  $\mathcal{F}\mathbf{a}$  is identity on  $\mathbb{R}^s$  and each  $\mathbf{a}_\kappa$  matches the same  $\dim(B \cap H)$  additional independent constraints.

3) Compute  $\underline{\mathbf{a}} - L\mathbf{a} \in H^s$  and  $\overline{\mathbf{a}} - L\mathbf{a} \in H^s$  (lower and upper bound)

4) Compute  $\mathcal{F}\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^s$  and assemble  $\underline{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ .

(0),(1),(2),(3) are offline      (4) is cheap

# Bézier SLEFE Construction



$B =$  degree  $d = 3$  polynomial in *Bézier form*  $x(u) := \sum_{k=0}^d \mathbf{b}_k(u)x_k$

0)  $U = [0..1]$  (domain of interest),  
 $H = \mathbf{h}_{\mu}^m$  hat functions with break points at  $\frac{\mu}{m}$ ,  $\mu = 0, \dots, m$

1)  $\dim B - \dim B \cap H = 4 - 2 = 2 = s$ .

Functionals  $\mathcal{F} : B \mapsto \mathbb{R}^s$  so that  $\ker \mathcal{F} = B \cap H$ :

$$\mathcal{F}_{\nu} x := x_{\nu-1} - 2x_{\nu} + x_{\nu+1}.$$

2) New basis  $\mathbf{a} : \mathbb{R}^s \mapsto B$ :

$\dim(B \cap H) = 2$  constraints: first and last coefficient = 0

coefficients of  $\mathbf{a}_1 : (0, -2, -1, 0)/3$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2 : (0, -1, -2, 0)/3$ ,  $\mathcal{F}\mathbf{a}$  is identity.

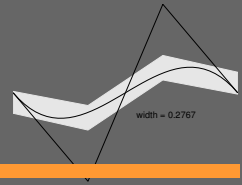
3) Compute broken line  $\underline{\mathbf{a}_k - L\mathbf{a}_k}$ , below and  $\overline{\mathbf{a}_k - L\mathbf{a}_k}$  above.



4) Compute  $\mathcal{F}x \in \mathbb{R}^s$  and assemble  $\underline{x}$  and  $\overline{x}$ .

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# [0–3] SLEFE construction: derivation



Given

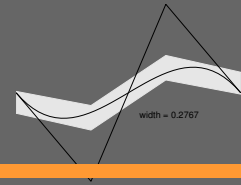
$$p(t) := -\mathbf{b}_1^3(t) + \mathbf{b}_2^3(t), \quad \mathbf{b}_j^d := \binom{d}{j} (1-t)^{d-j} t^j$$

coefficient sequence  $(c_j)_{j=0,\dots,3} = (0, -1, 1, 0)$ .

With  $\ell(t) := p(0)(1-t) + p(1)t$  and  
 $\mathbf{a}_1^3(t) := -\frac{2}{3}\mathbf{b}_1^3(t) - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{b}_2^3(t)$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_2^3(t) := -\frac{1}{3}\mathbf{b}_1^3(t) - \frac{2}{3}\mathbf{b}_2^3(t)$ ,

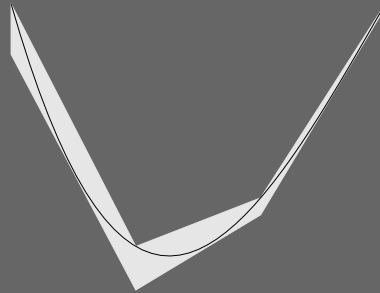
$$p(t) = \ell(t) + 3\mathbf{a}_1^3(t) - 3\mathbf{a}_2^3(t).$$

# [0–3] SLEFE construction: derivation



$$p(t) = \ell(t) + 3a_1^3(t) - 3a_2^3(t).$$

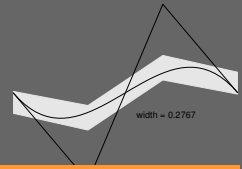
$a_1^3$  is strictly convex, easy to bound above (and below)



$$p(t) \leq \overline{p}(t) = \ell(t) + 3\overline{a_1^3}(t) - 3\underline{a_2^3}(t)$$

$t =$	0	1/3	2/3	1
$a[3, 3, -, 1, ..]$	-0.0695214343	-.4398918047	-.3153515940	-.0087327217
$a[3, 3, +, 1, ..]$	0	-.3703703704	-.2962962963	0

## [4] of SLEFE Construction: Bézier



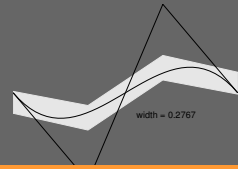
- Input Bézier piece of degree  $d$ :  $x(u) := \sum_{k=0}^d \mathbf{b}_k(u)x_k$
- $\mathbf{h}_\mu^m$  hat functions with break points at  $\frac{\mu}{m}$ ,  $\mu = 0, \dots, m$

$$\bar{x}(t) := \sum_{\mu=0}^m \tilde{x}_\mu \mathbf{h}_\mu^m(t), \quad \text{where} \quad [\tilde{x}_0, \dots, \tilde{x}_m] := \text{slefe}([x_0, x_1, \dots, x_d], m, +1)$$

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## [4] of SLEFE Construction: Bézier



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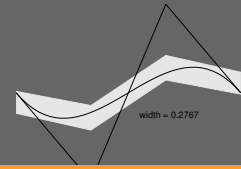
$$\text{slefe}([x_0, \dots, x_d], m, \text{sgn}) := [q_0, \dots, q_m]$$

$$q_{\mu} := x_0 \left(1 - \frac{\mu}{m}\right) + x_d \left(\frac{\mu}{m}\right) + \sum_{\nu=1}^{d-1} \mathcal{F}_{\nu} x a_{\nu, \mu}$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{\nu} x := x_{\nu-1} - 2x_{\nu} + x_{\nu+1},$$

$$a_{\nu, \mu} := a[d, m, \text{sign}(\mathcal{F}_{\nu} x) \times \text{sgn}, \nu, \mu].$$

# [4] of SLEFE Construction: Bézier



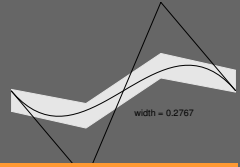
For degree  $d$  and  $m$  segments  $1 \leq \nu \leq d$ ,  $1 \leq \mu \leq m$  and  $sgn \in \{-1, +1\}$   
 $a[d, m, sgn, \nu, \mu]$  is a table of numbers

[ to be obtained, for example from the [SubLiME](#) web page ]

For example,

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$a[3, 3, -, 1, ..]$	-0.0695214343	-0.4398918047	-0.3153515940	-0.0087327217
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# [4] of SLEFE Construction: Bézier



Input:

$x_k,$

$a[d, m, sgn, \nu, \mu],$

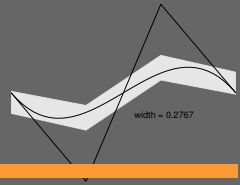
$slefe([x_0, \dots, x_d], m, sgn). \quad 2d(m+1) \text{ ops}$

Output:

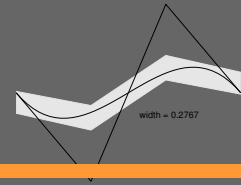
$$\overline{x} \geq x \geq \underline{x}$$

# SLEFE properties

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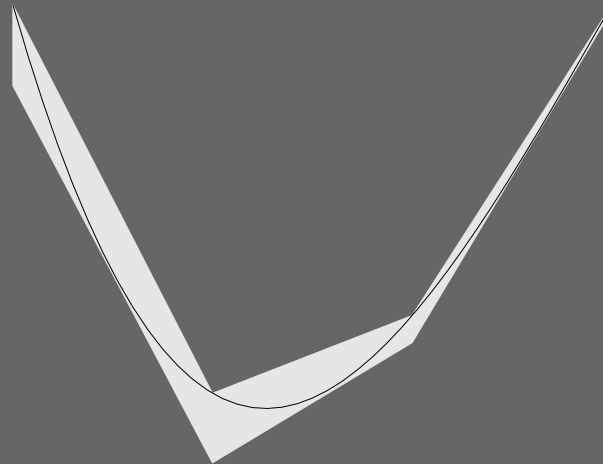
# SLEFE properties



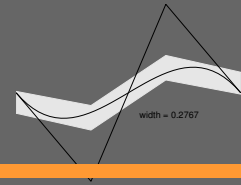
*Near Optimality:* the *width*

$$w_\mu := \overline{x}\left(\frac{\mu}{m}\right) - \underline{x}\left(\frac{\mu}{m}\right) = \sum_\nu (a[d, m, +, \nu, \mu] - a[d, m, -, \nu, \mu]) |\Delta_\nu^2 x|.$$

is close to minimal in the *recursively applied*  $L^\infty$  norm.



# SLEFE properties



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*Nonlinear problem – cannot expect linear SLEFE construction to be optimal!*

(1) optimal for degree  $d = 1, 2$

(2)  $d = 3$  no inflection,  $m = 3$  segments:

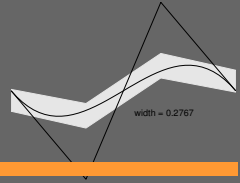
optimal enclosure can be computed (nontrivial); ratio of minimal width to SLEFE width is  $< 1.07$ .

(3)  $d = 4$  no inflection,  $m = 4$  segments:  $< 1.04$

*General theorem still missing!* (It depends on  $B, U, H, \mathcal{F}$ )

Difficulty: useful characterization of optimal enclosure (note piecewise!)

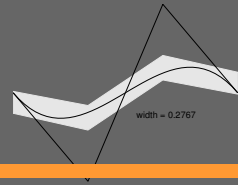
# SLEFE properties



[1] Near Optimality:  $w_\mu := \sum_\nu (a[d, m, +, \nu, \mu] - a[d, m, -, \nu, \mu]) |\Delta_\nu^2 x|$

[2] *Invariance under addition of linear terms*

# SLEFE properties



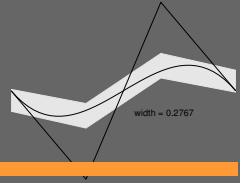
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[2] Translation invariance

[3] *Refinement:*      *Increase segments* or *Subdivide*.



# SLEFE properties



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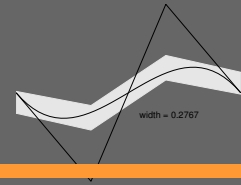
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In the limit,  $w_\mu$  shrinks by 1/4. ( $\max_j |\Delta_\nu^2 x|$  shrinks to  $\leq 1/4$  its size).

For specific  $a[..]$  (Bézier), every  $w_\mu$  shrinks by at least  $\frac{3}{8}$  for  $d = 2, 3, 4$ .

# SLEFE properties



[1] Near Optimality:  $w_\mu := \sum_{\nu} (a[d, m, +, \nu, \mu] - a[d, m, -, \nu, \mu]) |\Delta_{\nu}^2 x|$

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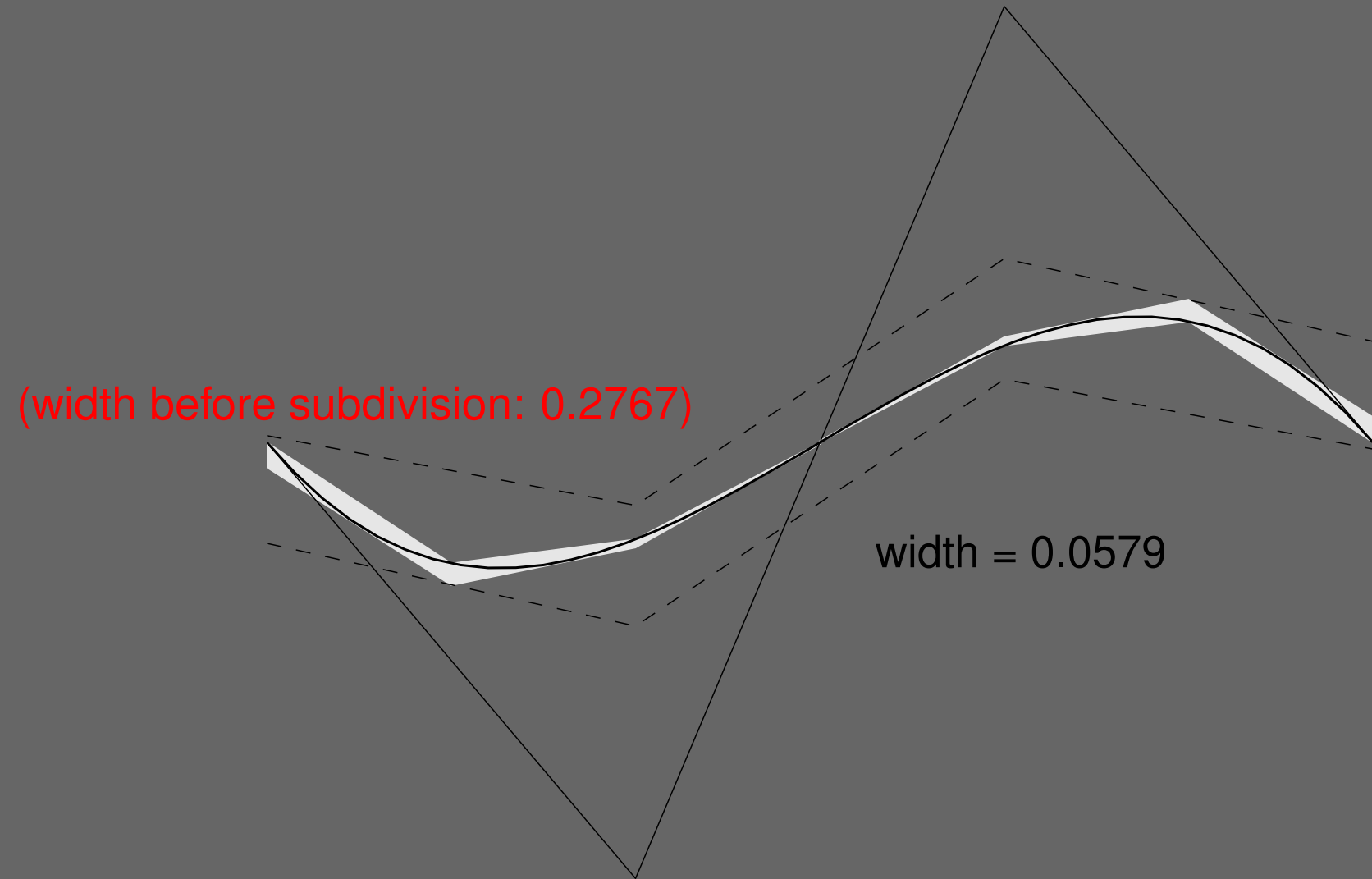
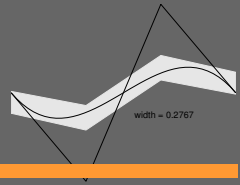
If the second differences are replaced by

$$\sum_{i=0}^d \Delta_i^{\nu}(x), \quad \Delta_i^{\nu} \text{ is } \nu\text{th difference applied to } x_i, \dots, x_{i+\nu+1}.$$

then *every*  $w_\mu$  shrinks by  $\frac{1}{2}$  at *every* step.

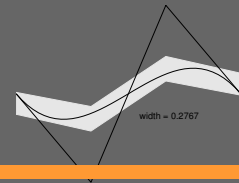
(crucial estimate of proof:  $\sum_{r=0}^n \binom{r}{c} / 2^r < 2$  for  $r, c, n$  nonnegative integers)

# Subdivision



Are SLEFEs nested under subdivision?

# SLEFE properties

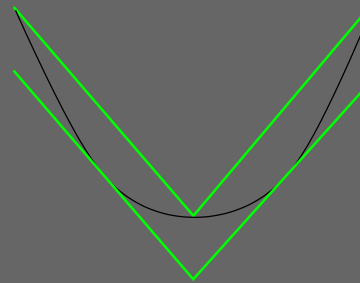
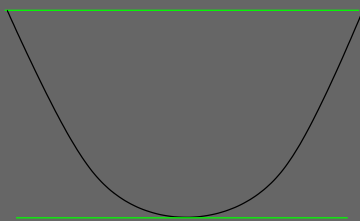


*Near Optimality*

*Translation invariance*

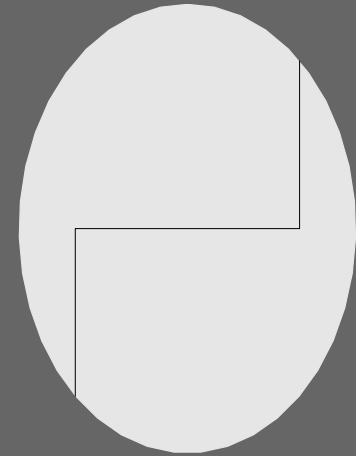
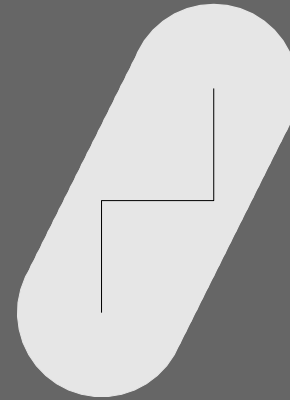
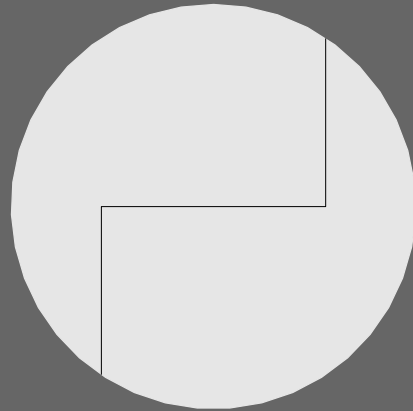
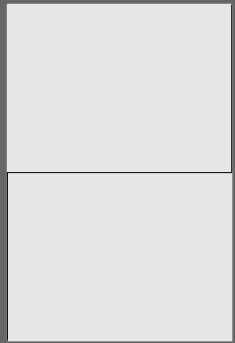
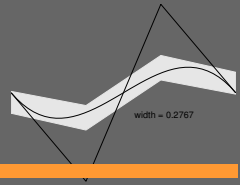
*Refinement:* Increase segments or Subdivide

*Not nested:*



How good are SLEFEs compared to other bounding constructs?

# Bounding Constructs in Comparison

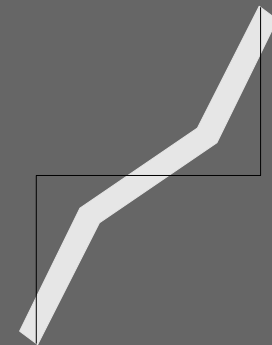
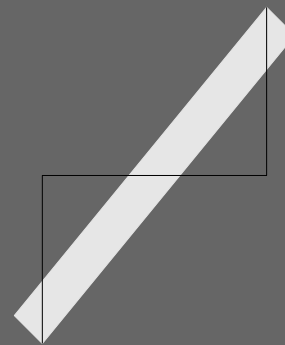
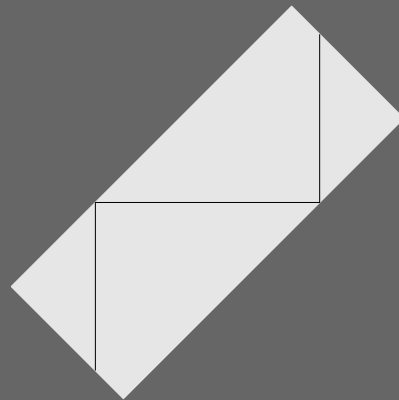
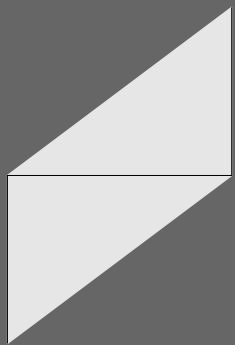


axis-aligned box,

bounding circle,

Filip bound

bounding ellipse



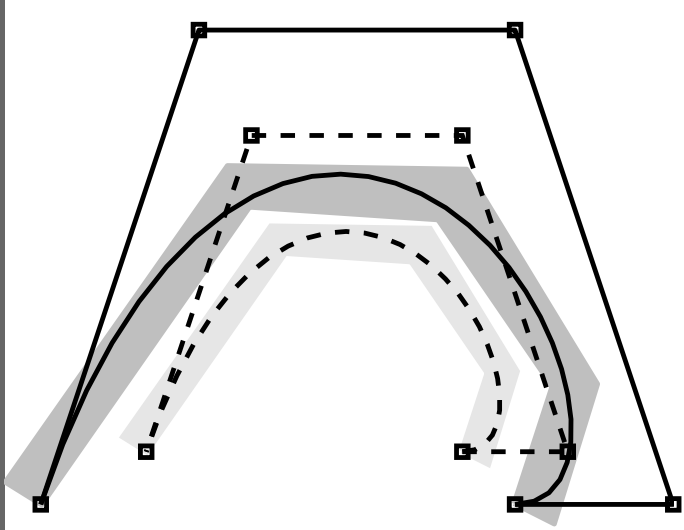
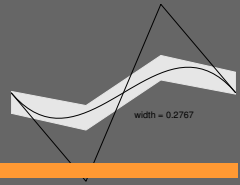
convex hull,

oriented bounding box,

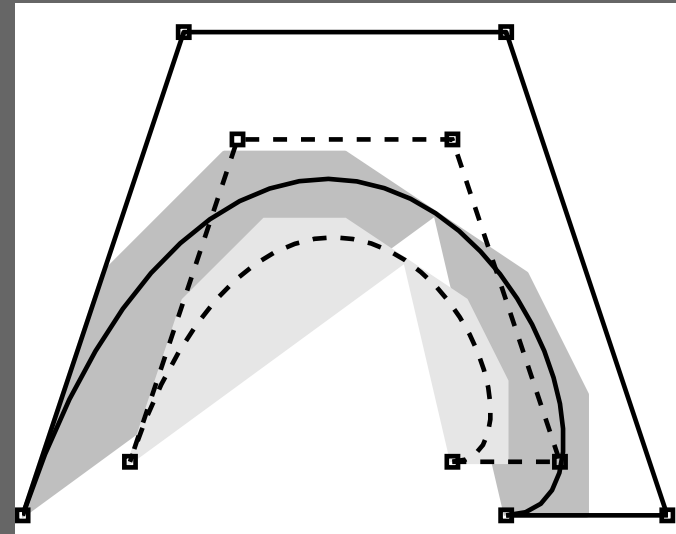
'fat arc',

*3-piece slefe.*

# Intersection testing

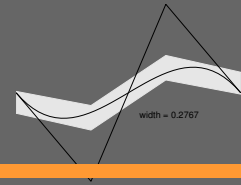


SLEFE (separation)



subdivided convex hull (no separation)

# SLEFE construction: reprise



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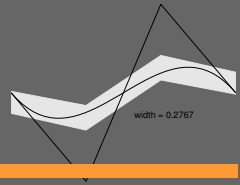
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# more SLEFEs

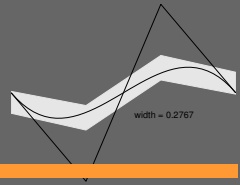
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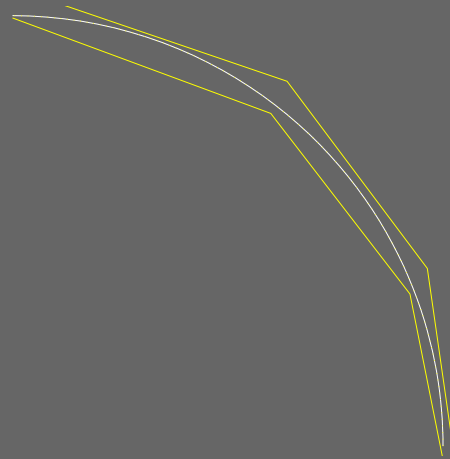
How widely is the construction applicable?



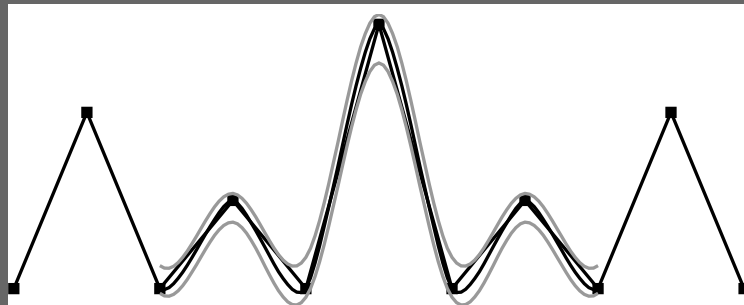
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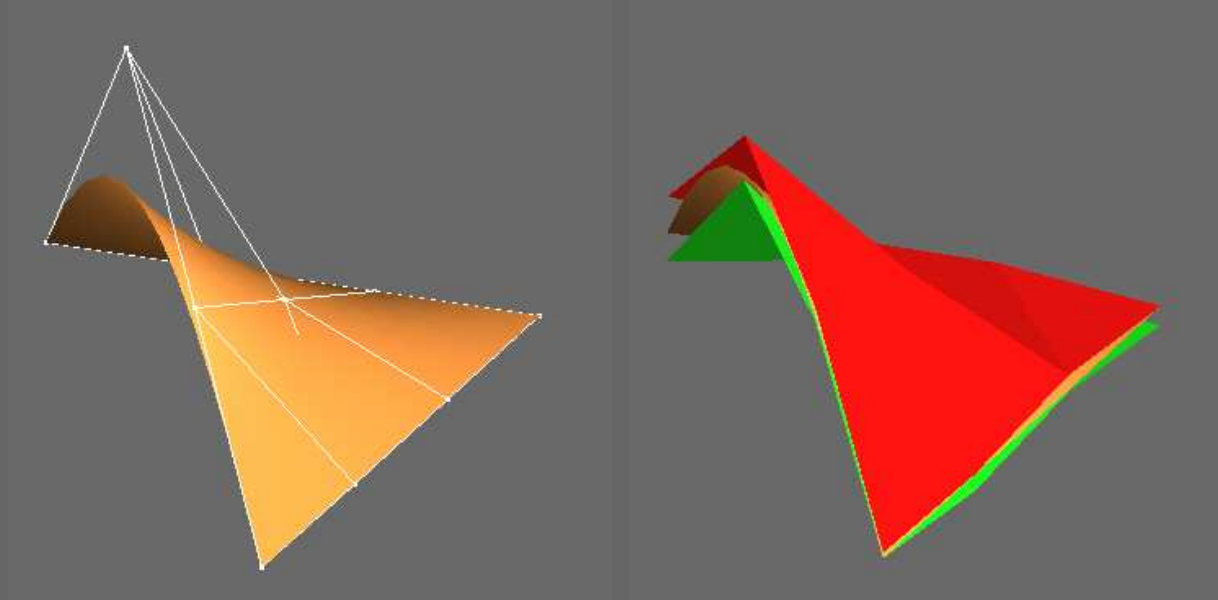
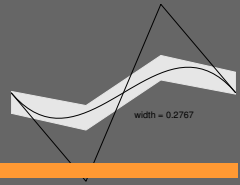
Rational functions:  
Compute SLEFE of components + SLEFE for rational linear function



$B = 4$ -point scheme,  $H =$  cubic splines ( $\mathcal{F} = 4$ th differences):

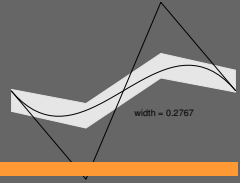


# 3-sided patches



$B$  = total degree Bézier  
 $U$  = unit triangle  
 $H$  = bivariate hat functions  
 $\mathcal{F}_\nu x := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot$

# Tensor-product SLEFEs



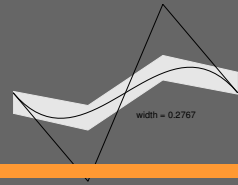
$$x(s, t) := \sum_{i=0}^{d_1} \sum_{j=0}^{d_2} x_{ij} \mathbf{b}_j^{d_2}(t) \mathbf{b}_i^{d_1}(s). \quad \mathbf{b}_k^d(u) := \frac{d!}{(d-k)!k!} (1-u)^{d-k} u^k$$

for  $i = 0, \dots, d_1$ ,  $[\tilde{x}_{i0}, \tilde{x}_{i1}, \dots, \tilde{x}_{im_2}] := \text{slefe}([x_{i0}, x_{i1}, \dots, x_{id_2}], m_2, +1)$

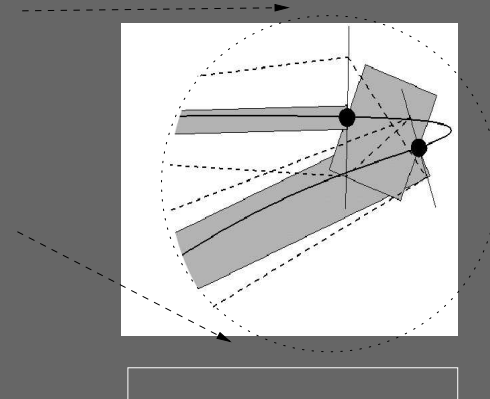
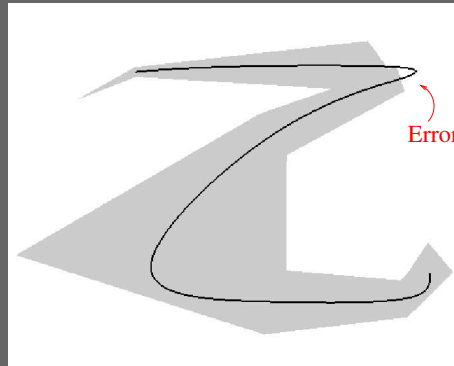
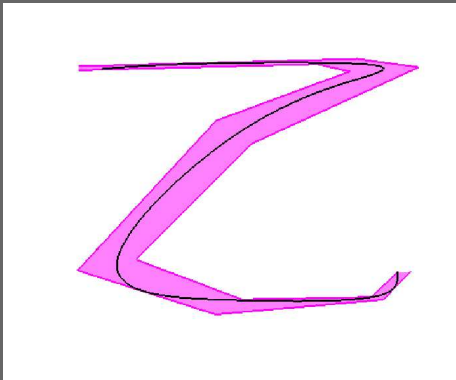
for  $j = 0, \dots, m_2$ ,  $[\tilde{\tilde{x}}_{0j}, \tilde{\tilde{x}}_{1j}, \dots, \tilde{\tilde{x}}_{m_1j}] := \text{slefe}([\tilde{x}_{i0}, \tilde{x}_{i1}, \dots, \tilde{x}_{im_2}], m_1, +1)$ .

$$\bar{x}(s, t) := \sum_{j=0}^{m_1} \sum_{i=0}^{m_2} \tilde{\tilde{x}}_{ij} \mathbf{h}_i^{m_2}(s) \mathbf{h}_j^{m_1}(t).$$

# Spline Curves



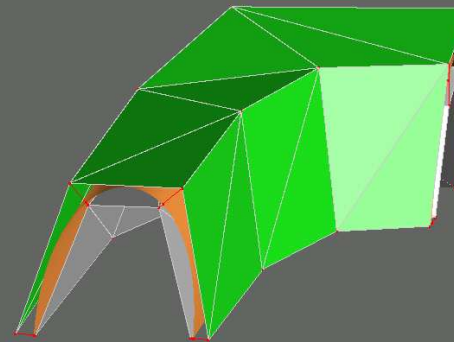
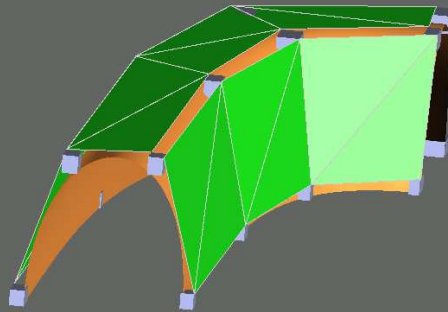
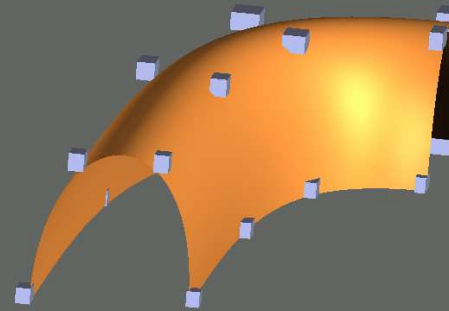
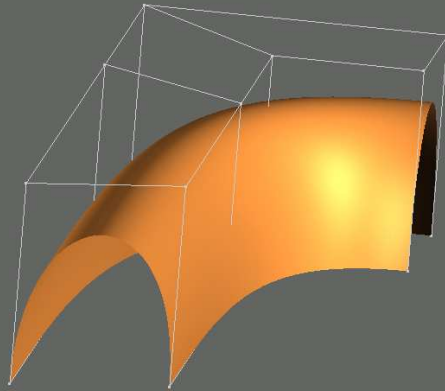
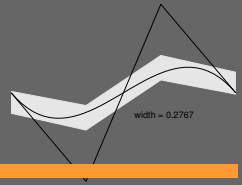
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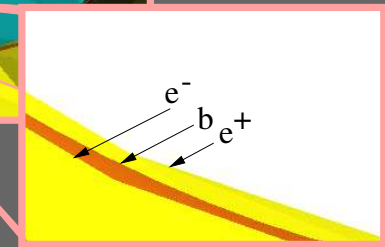
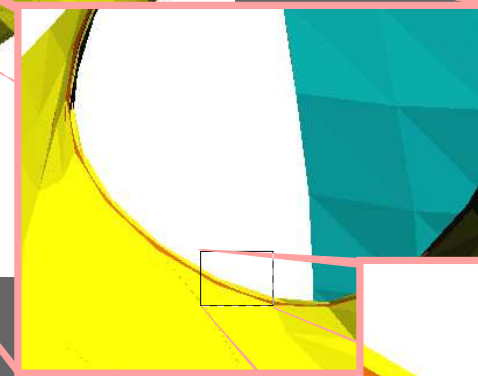
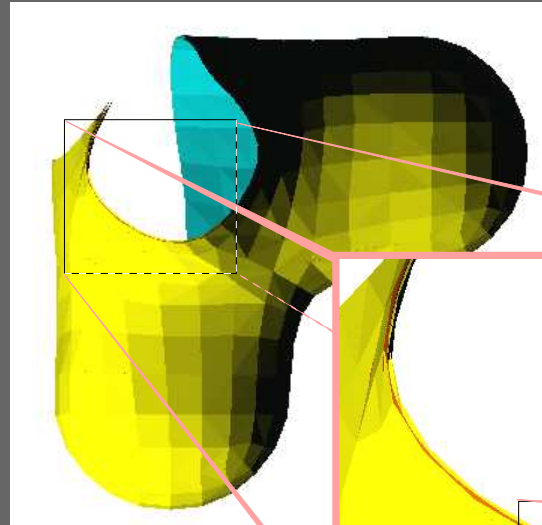
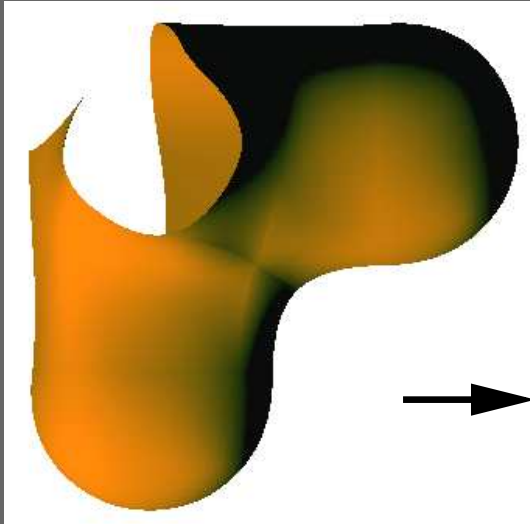
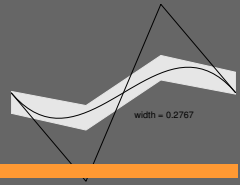
SLEVE (correct)  
(P & Wu 2003)

alternative construction in the literature

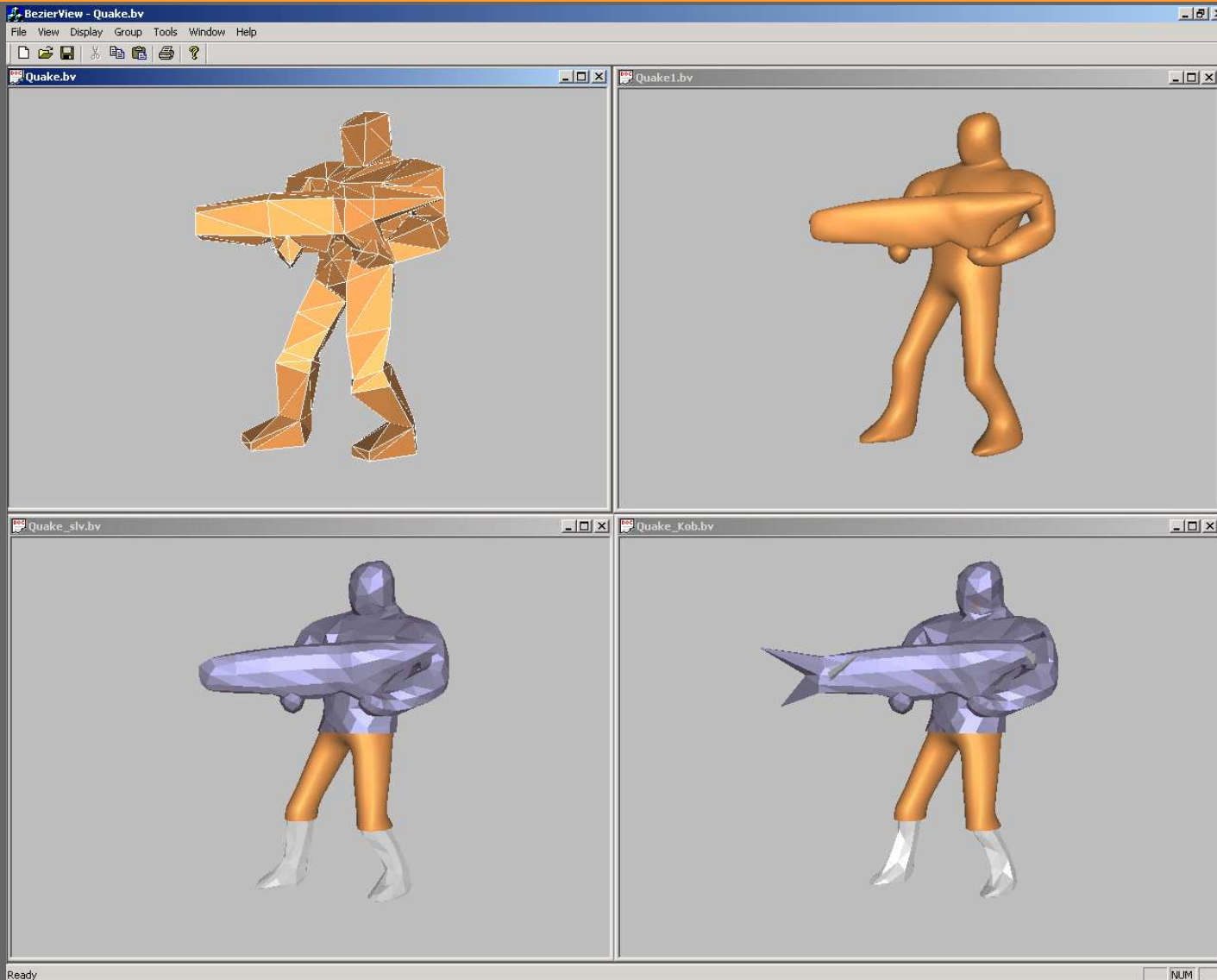
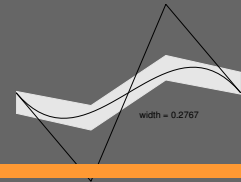
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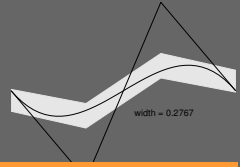
# Subdivision schemes



SLEFE

alternative (incorrect!)

# Life before SLEFEs





# Life with SLEFEs

