

CSE528 Computer Graphics: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications

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Differential Geometry for Curves and Surfaces (A Very Short Introduction)

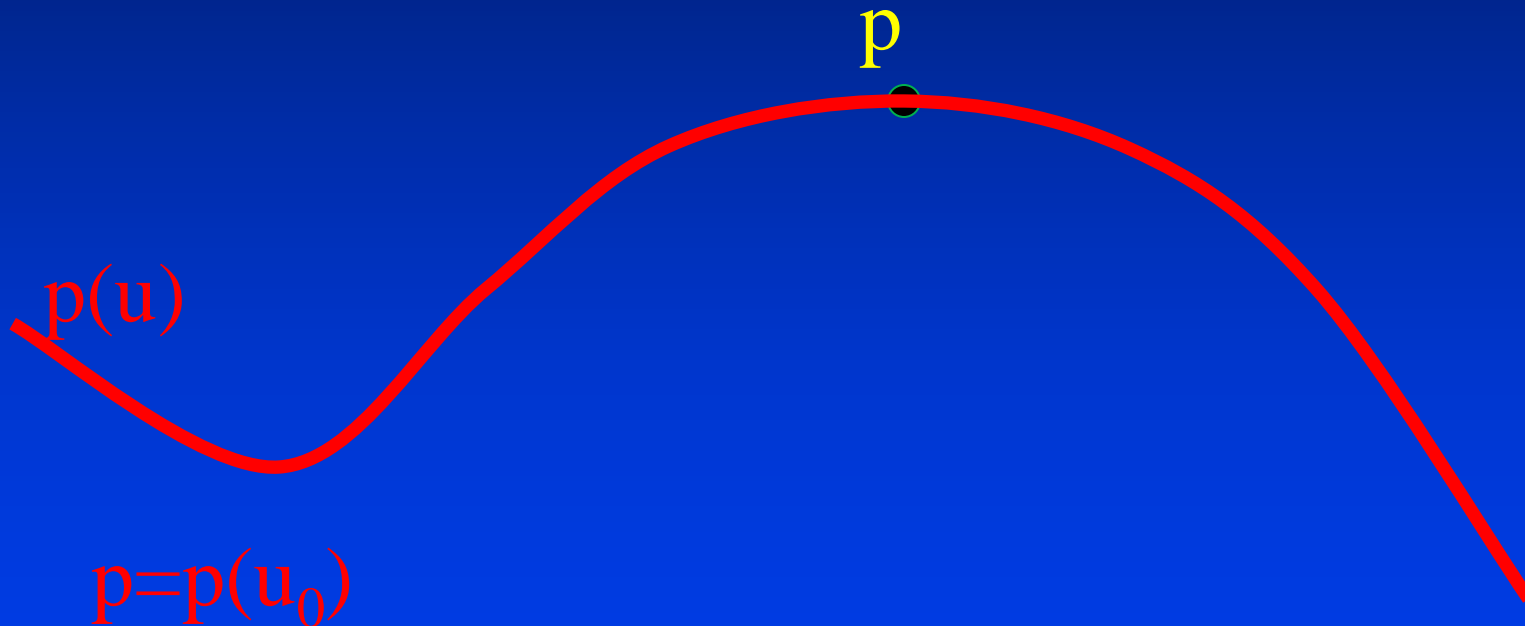
Differential Geometry of a Curve



$p(t)$

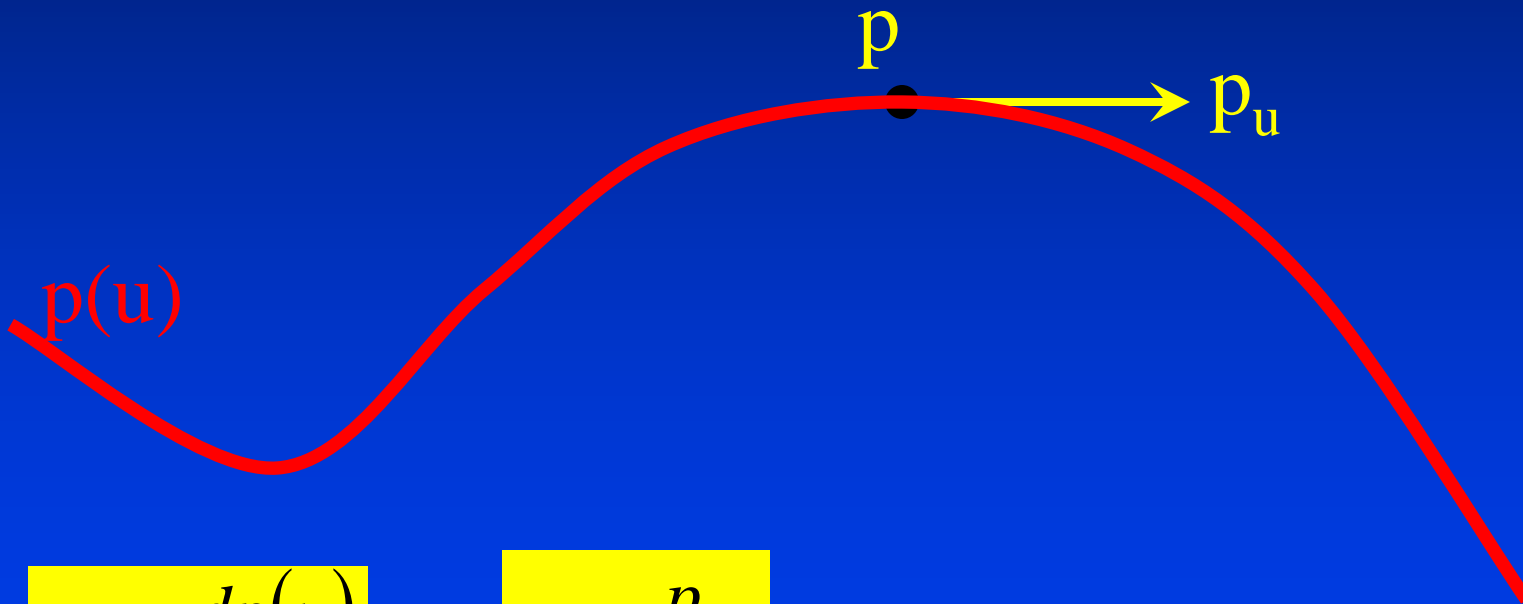
Differential Geometry of a Curve

Point p on the curve at u_0



Differential Geometry of a Curve

Tangent T to the curve at u_0



$$p_u = \frac{dp(u)}{du}$$

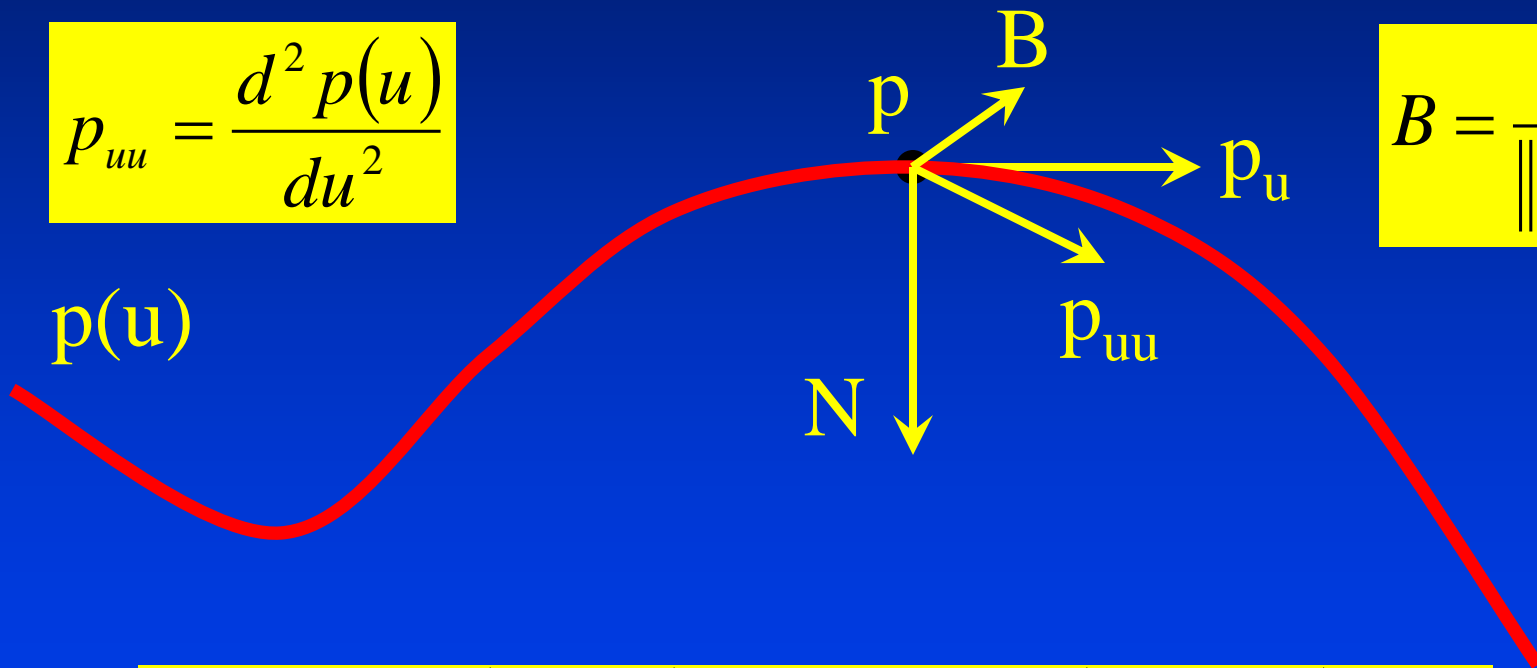
$$T = \frac{p_u}{\|p_u\|}$$

Differential Geometry of a Curve

Normal N and Binormal B to the curve at u_0

$$p_{uu} = \frac{d^2 p(u)}{du^2}$$

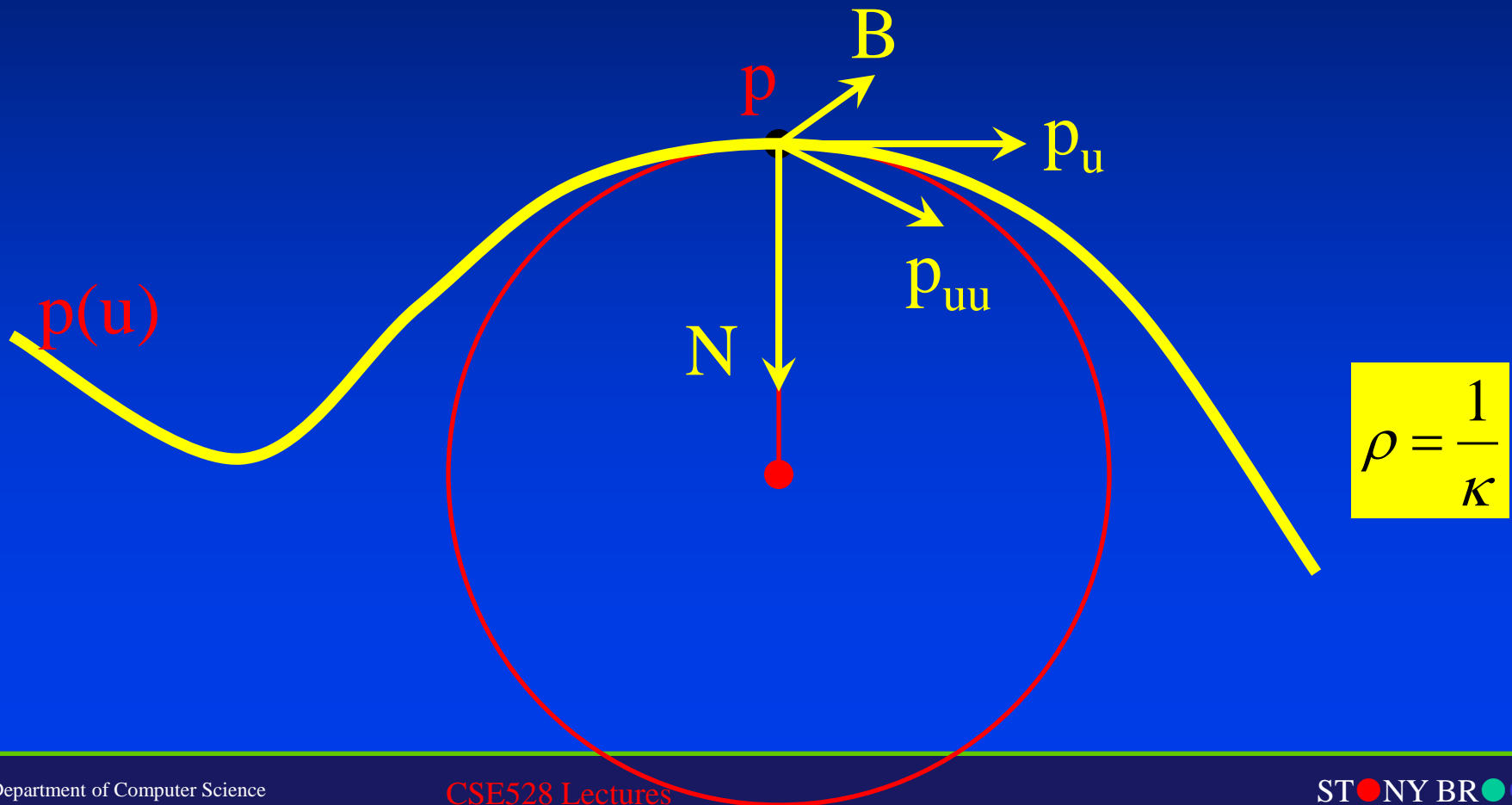
$$B = \frac{p_u \times p_{uu}}{\|p_u \times p_{uu}\|}$$



$$N = \frac{p_{uu} - (T \cdot p_{uu})T}{\|p_{uu} - (T \cdot p_{uu})T\|} = B \times T = \frac{(p_u \times p_{uu}) \times p_u}{\|p_u \times p_{uu}\| \|p_u\|}$$

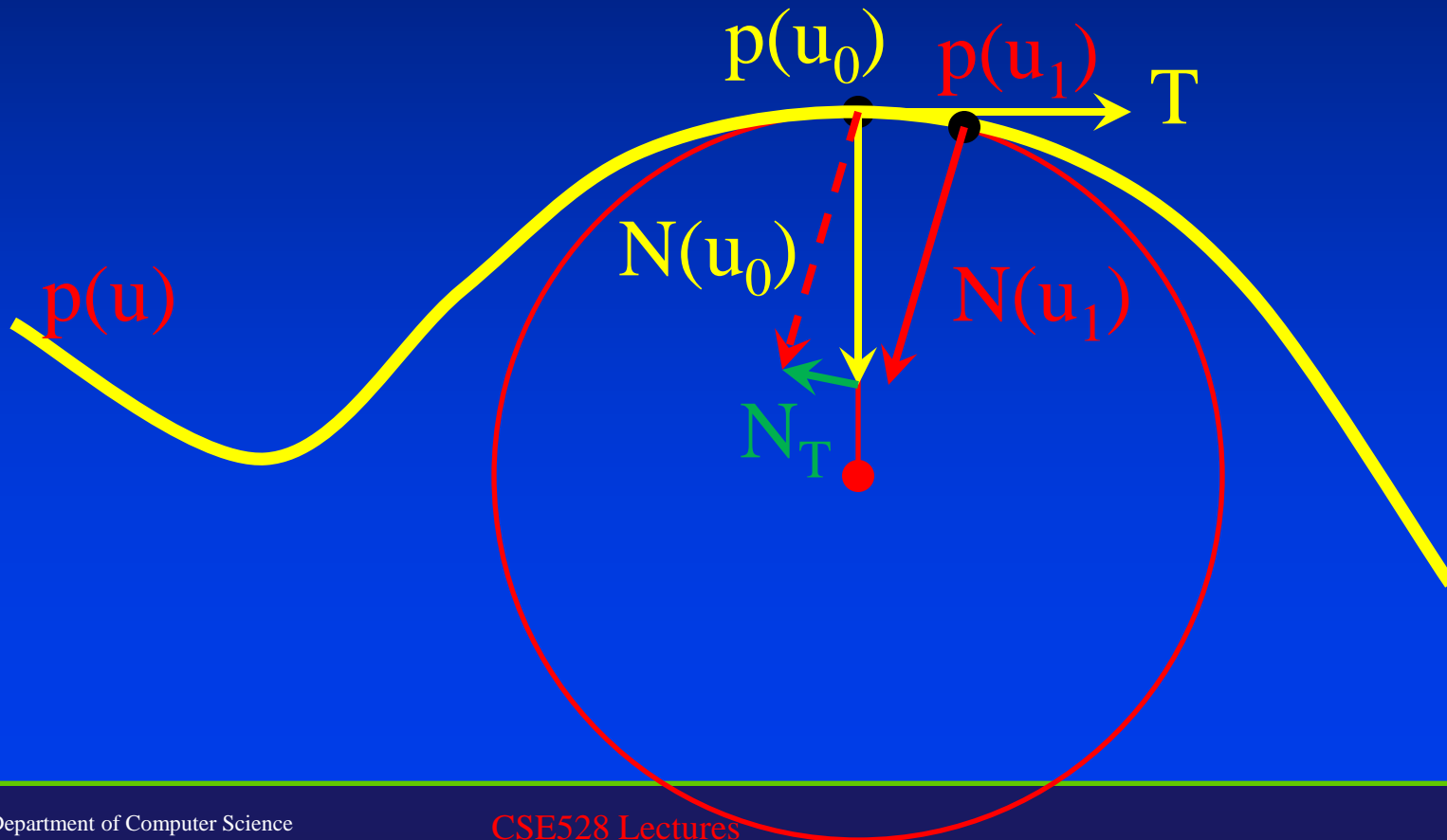
Differential Geometry of a Curve

Curvature κ at u_0 and the radius ρ osculating circle



$$\rho = \frac{1}{\kappa}$$

Differential Geometry of a Curve



Intrinsic Properties of Curves

- Different representations for the SAME curve

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$$p'(0) = (0,1) \neq (0,2) = q'(0)$$

Identical curves but different derivatives!!!

Arc Length: The Basic Concept

$$s(t) = \int_a^t \|p'(t)\| dt$$

- $s(t)=t$ implies arc-length parameterization
- Independent under any parameterization!!!

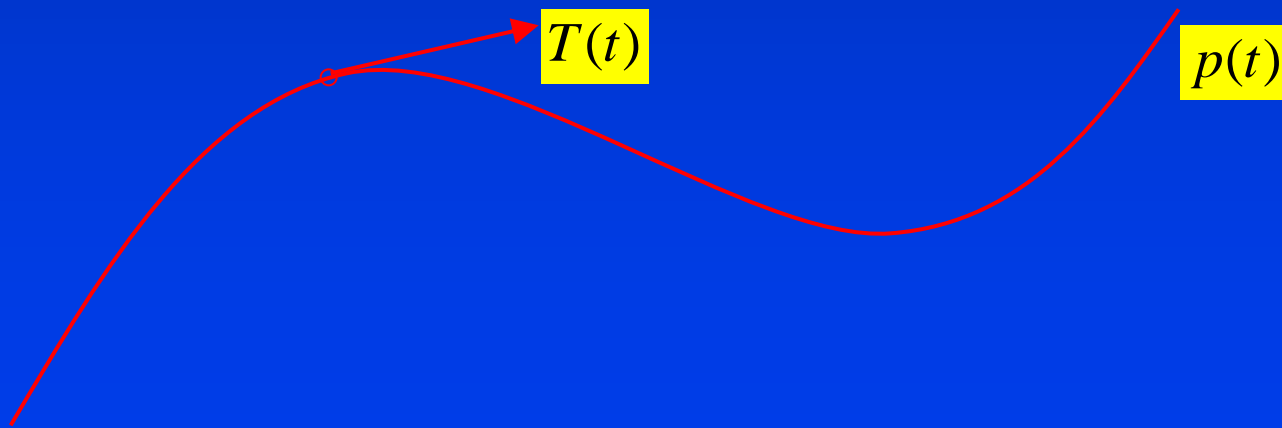
Parametric Curves

- **A curve:**
 - A set of points moving (along a curve) with one degree of freedom
- **Torsion:**
 - How much a spatial curve deviates from a plane – how much it attempts to “escape” the osculating plane
- **Arc length:**
 - The real length that is measured along a curve
- **Characterization of all planar curves:**
 - $\text{torsion} = 0$
- **Characterization of all straight lines:**
 - $\text{curvature} = 0$

Frenet Frame

- Unit-length tangent

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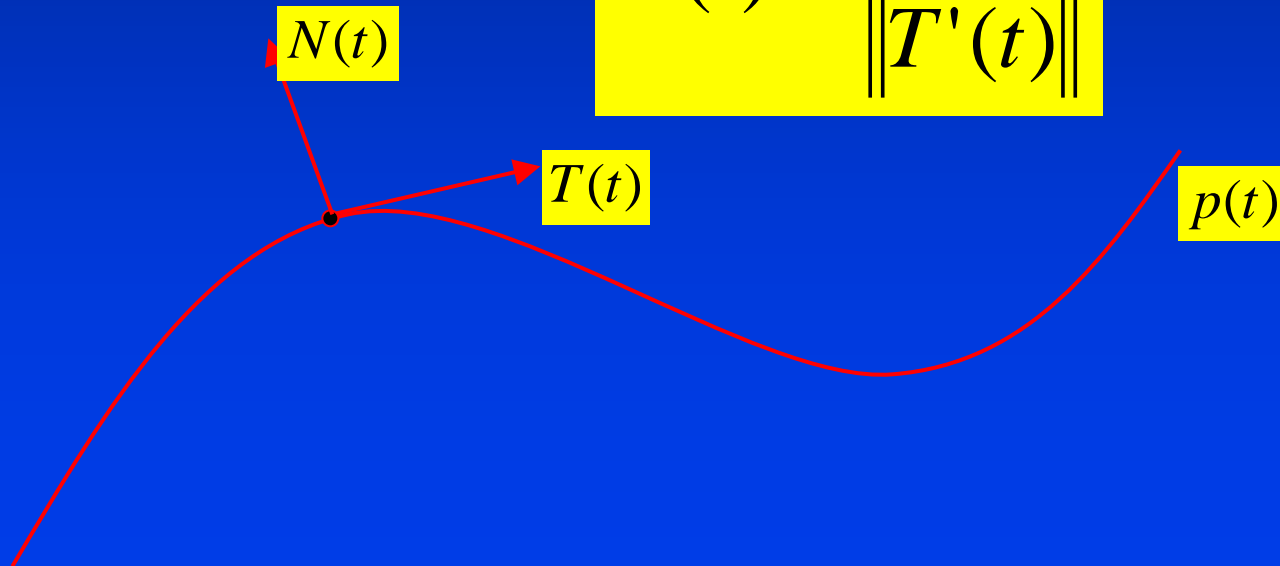


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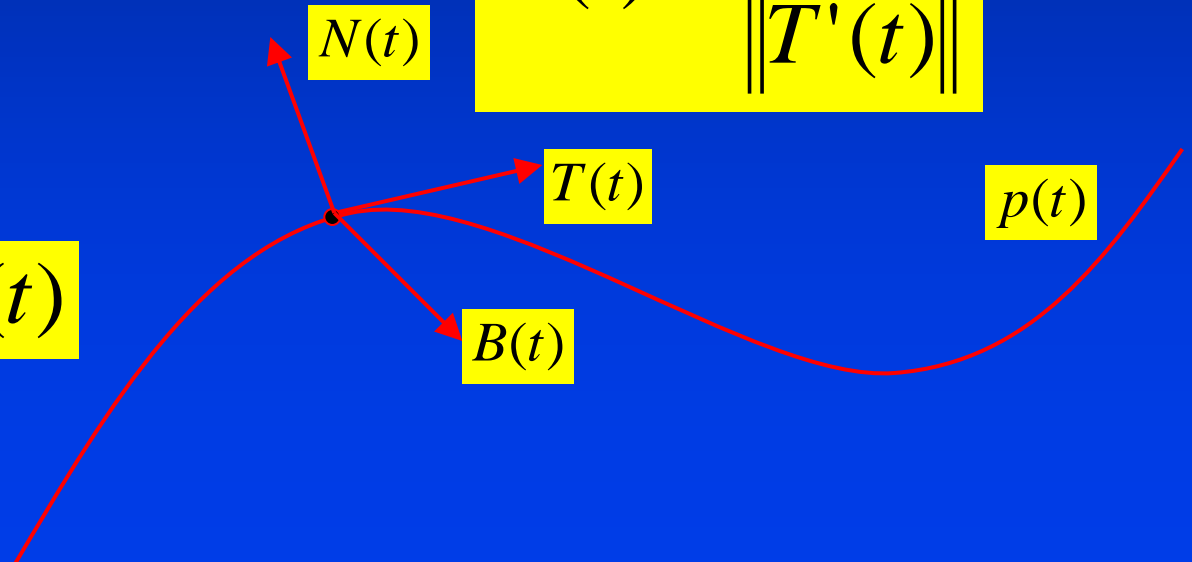
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Trivial due to the cross-product computation

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Frenet Frames: Applications

- Camera motion animation
- Extruding a cylinder along a path (generalized cylinders)

Frenet Frames

- **Problems: The Frenet frame becomes unstable at inflection points or even undefined when**

$$T'(t) = 0$$

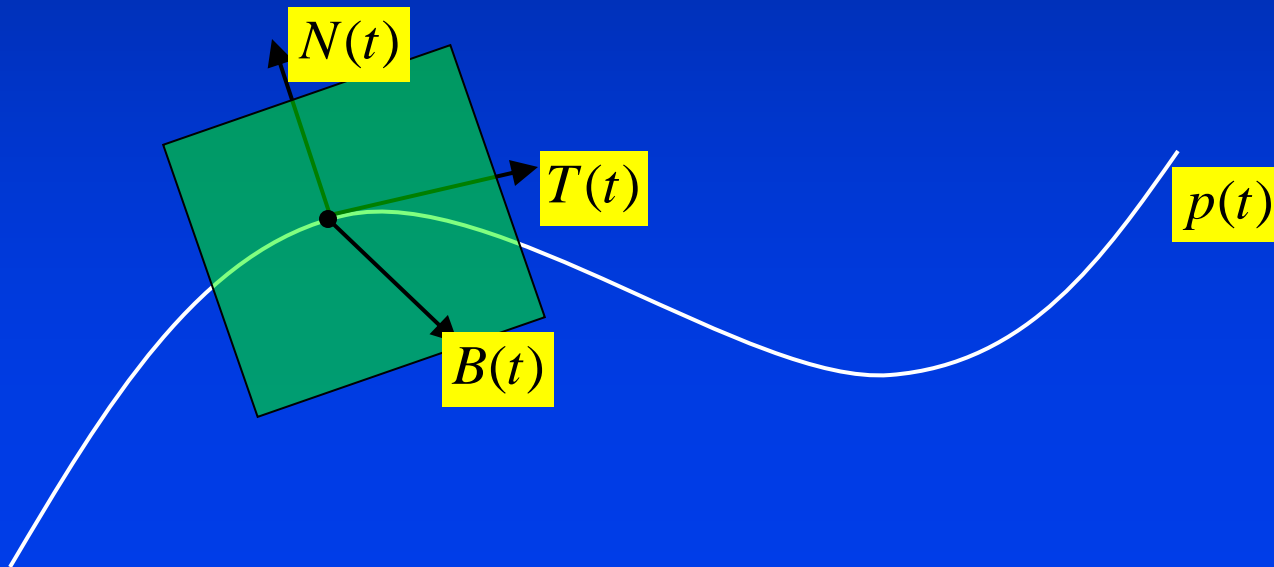
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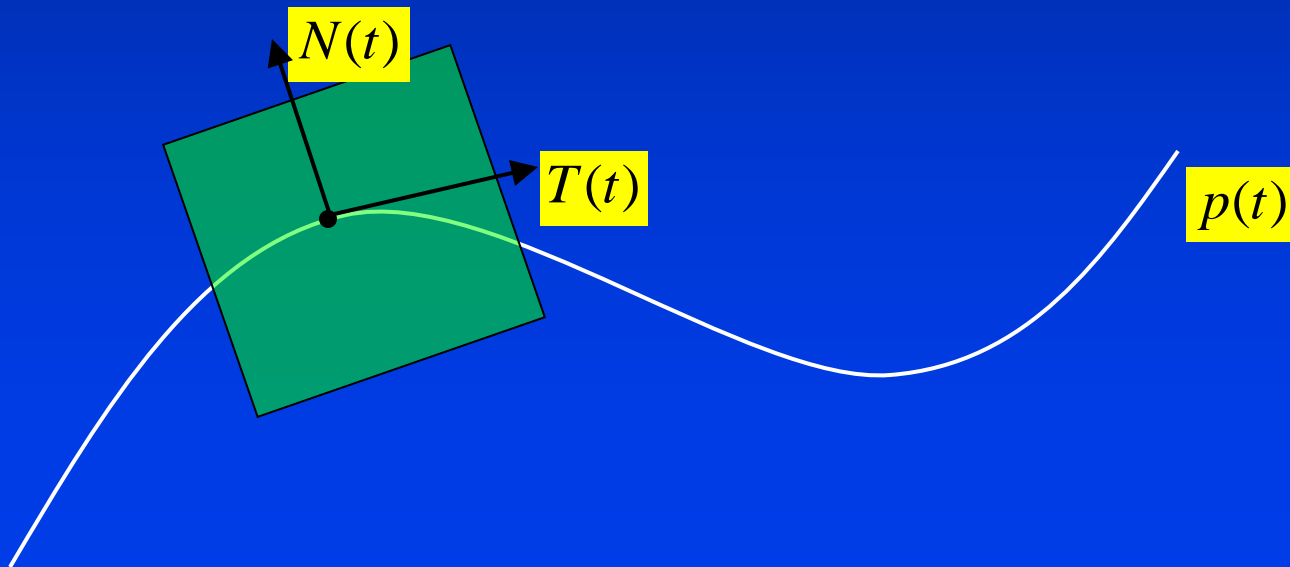
Osculating Plane

- Plane defined by the point $p(t)$ and the vectors $T(t)$ and $N(t)$
- Locally the curve resides in this plane



Curvature

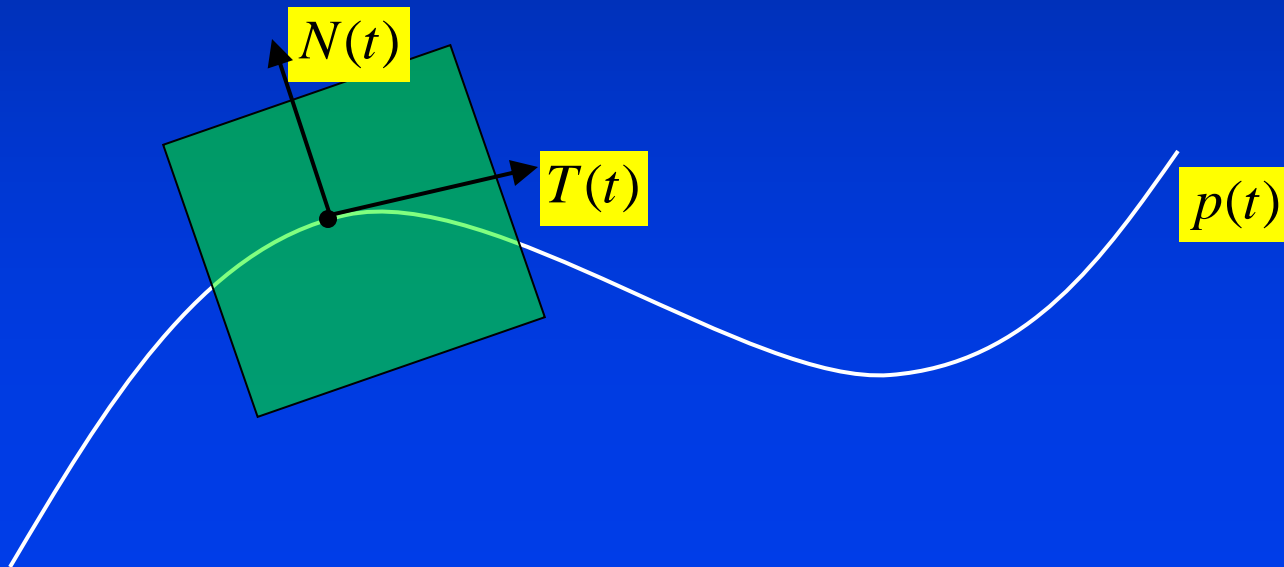
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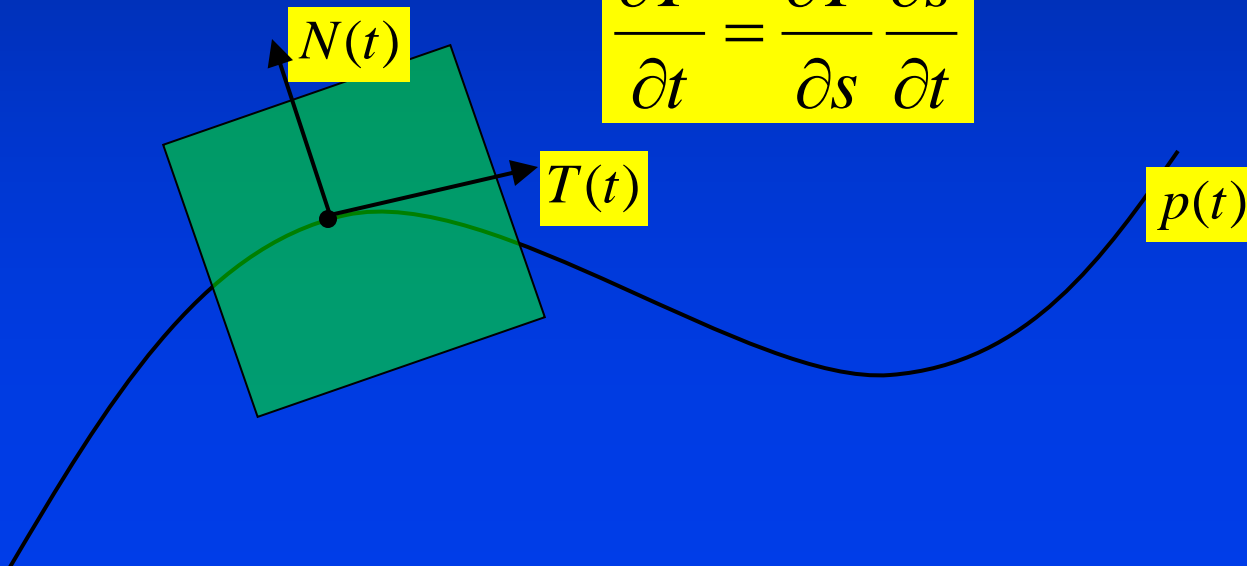


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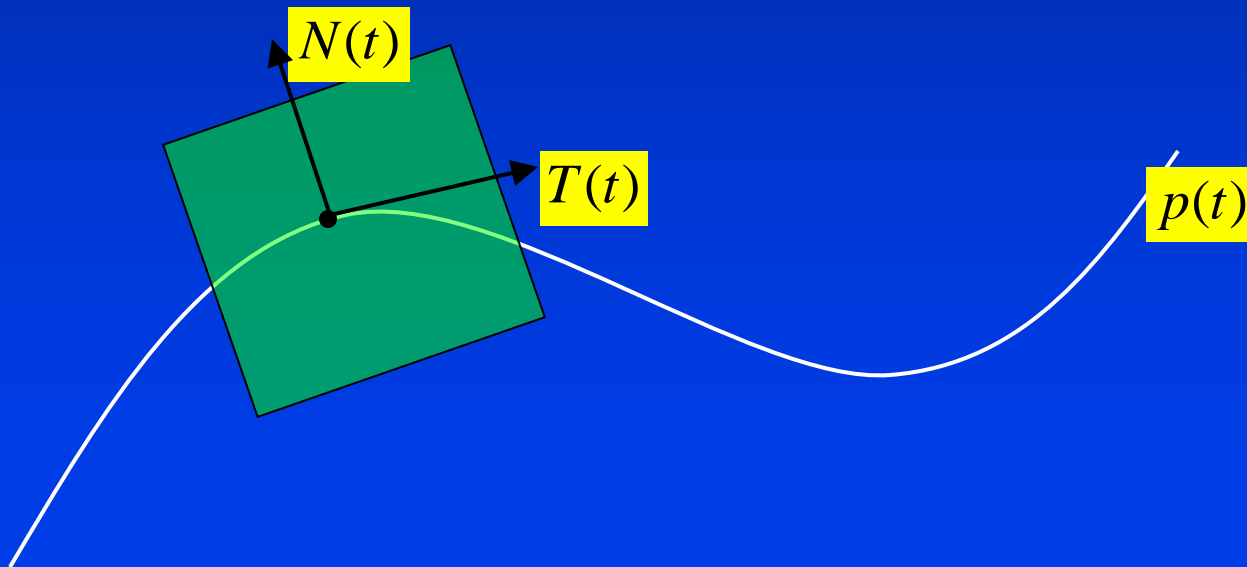
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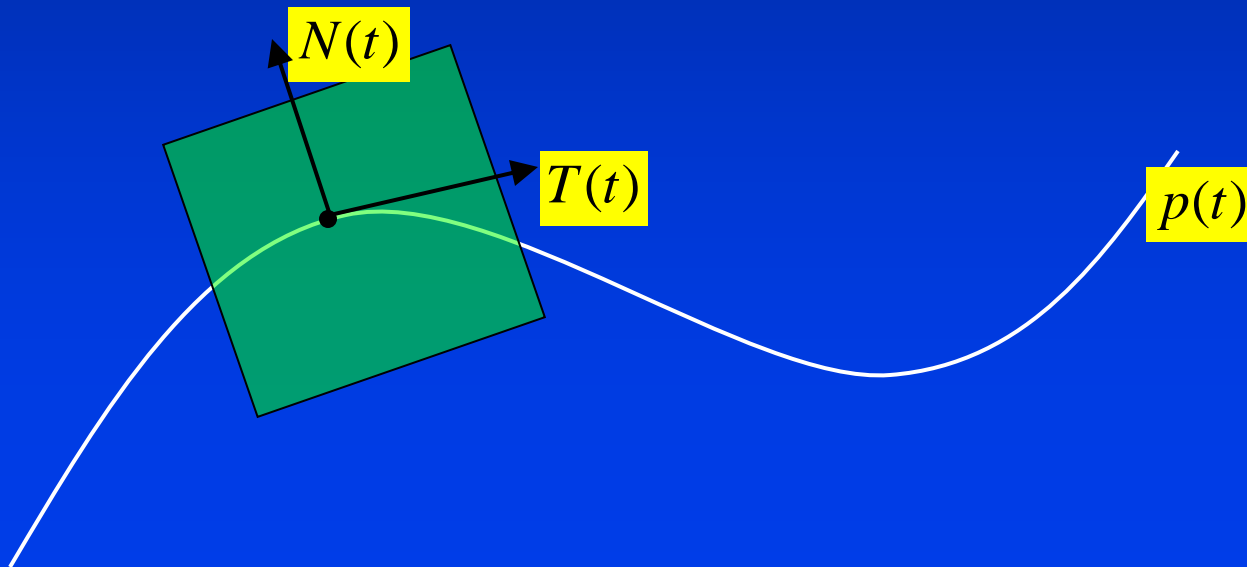
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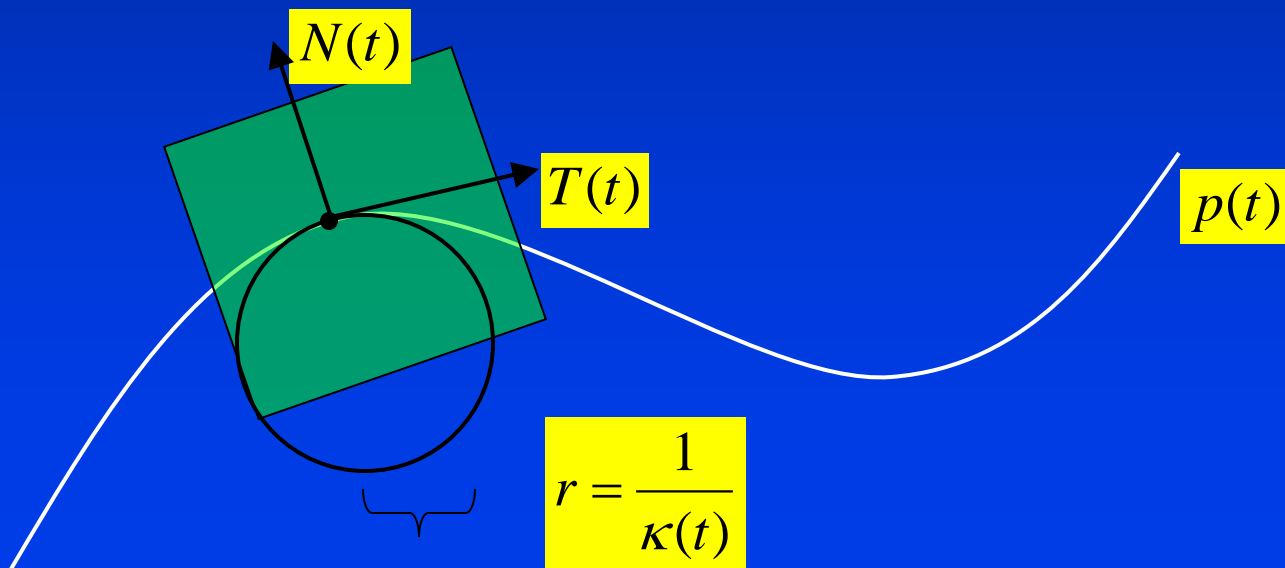
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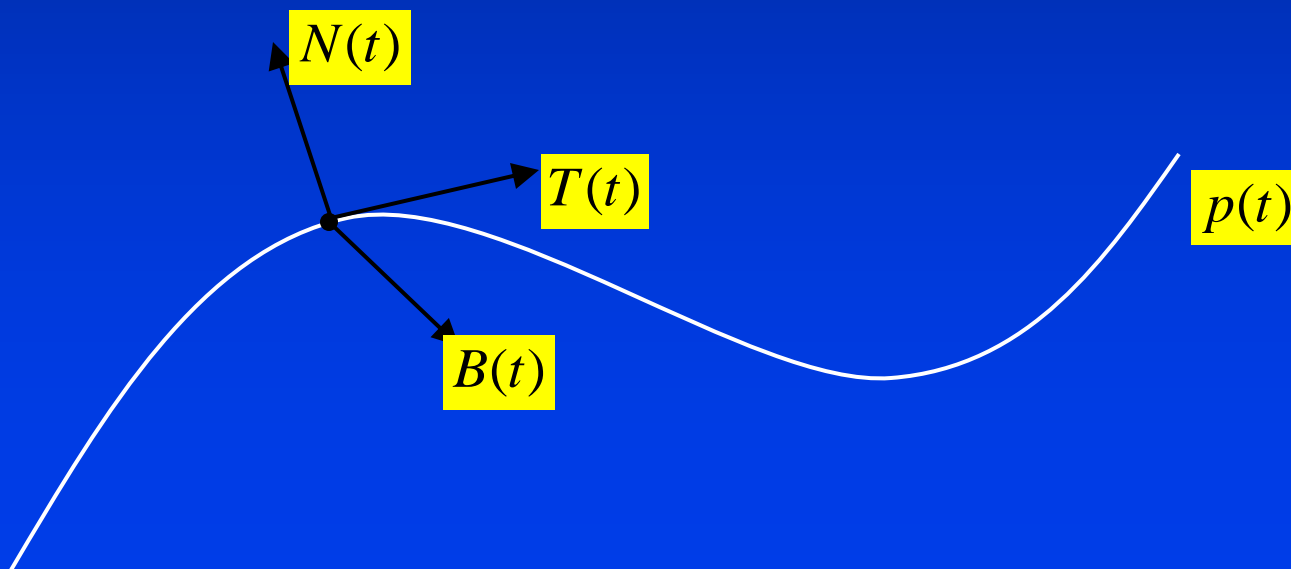
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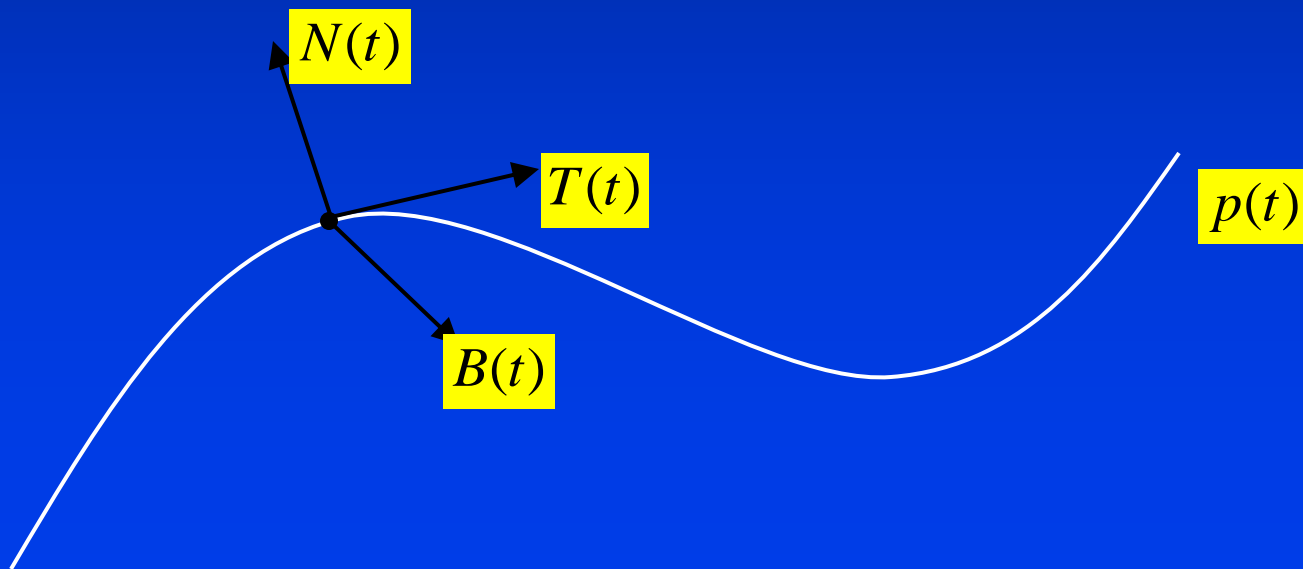
- Measure how much the curve twists or how quickly the curve leaves the osculating plane

$$\tau(s) = \|B'(s)\|$$



Frenet Equations

- $T'(s) = \kappa(s)N(s)$
- $N'(s) = \tau(s)B(s) - \kappa(s)T(s)$
- $B'(s) = -\tau(s)N(s)$



Differential Geometry of Surfaces

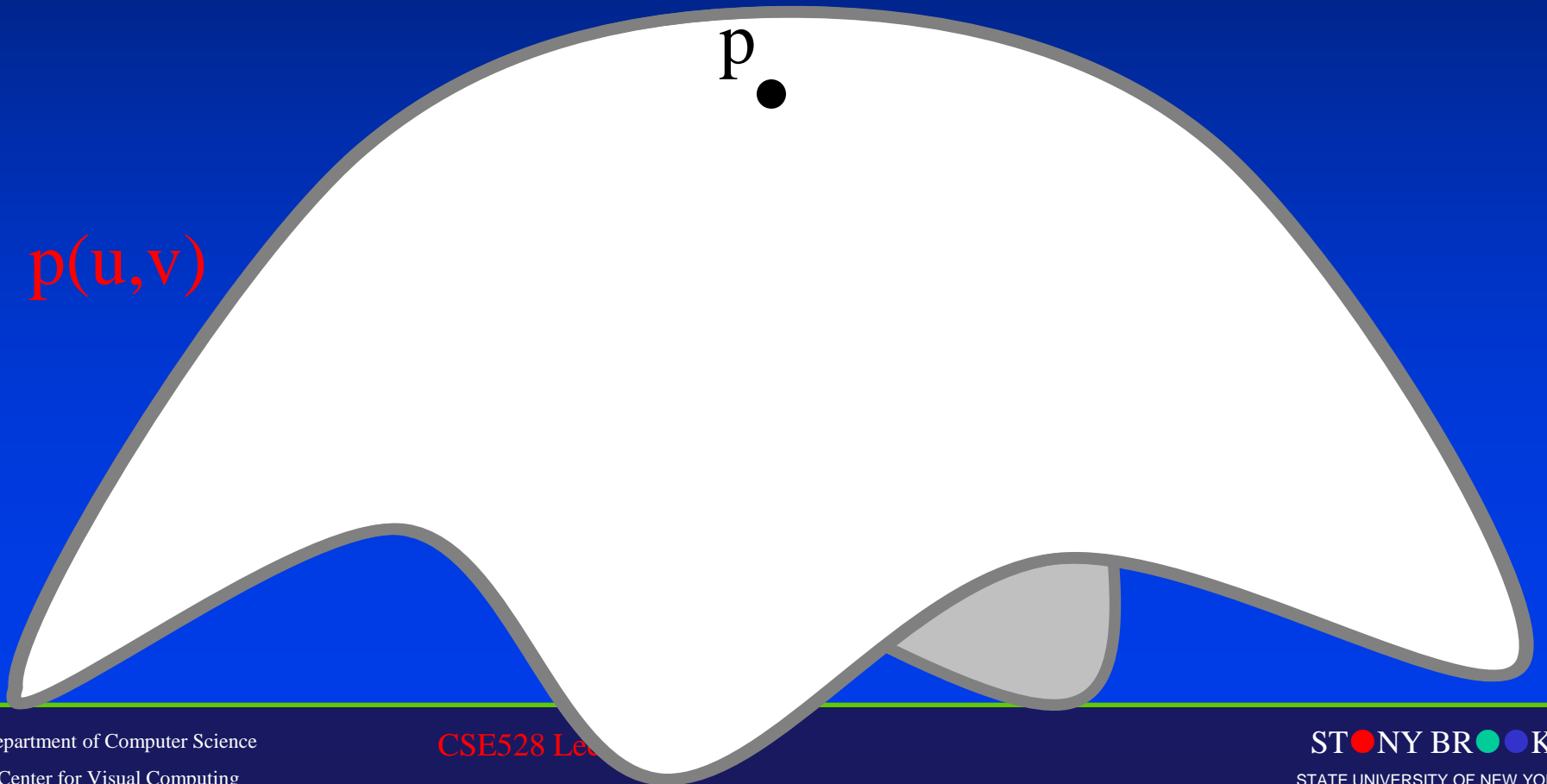
Differential Geometry of a Surface

$s(u, v)$



Differential Geometry of a Surface

Point p on the surface at $p(u_0, v_0)$

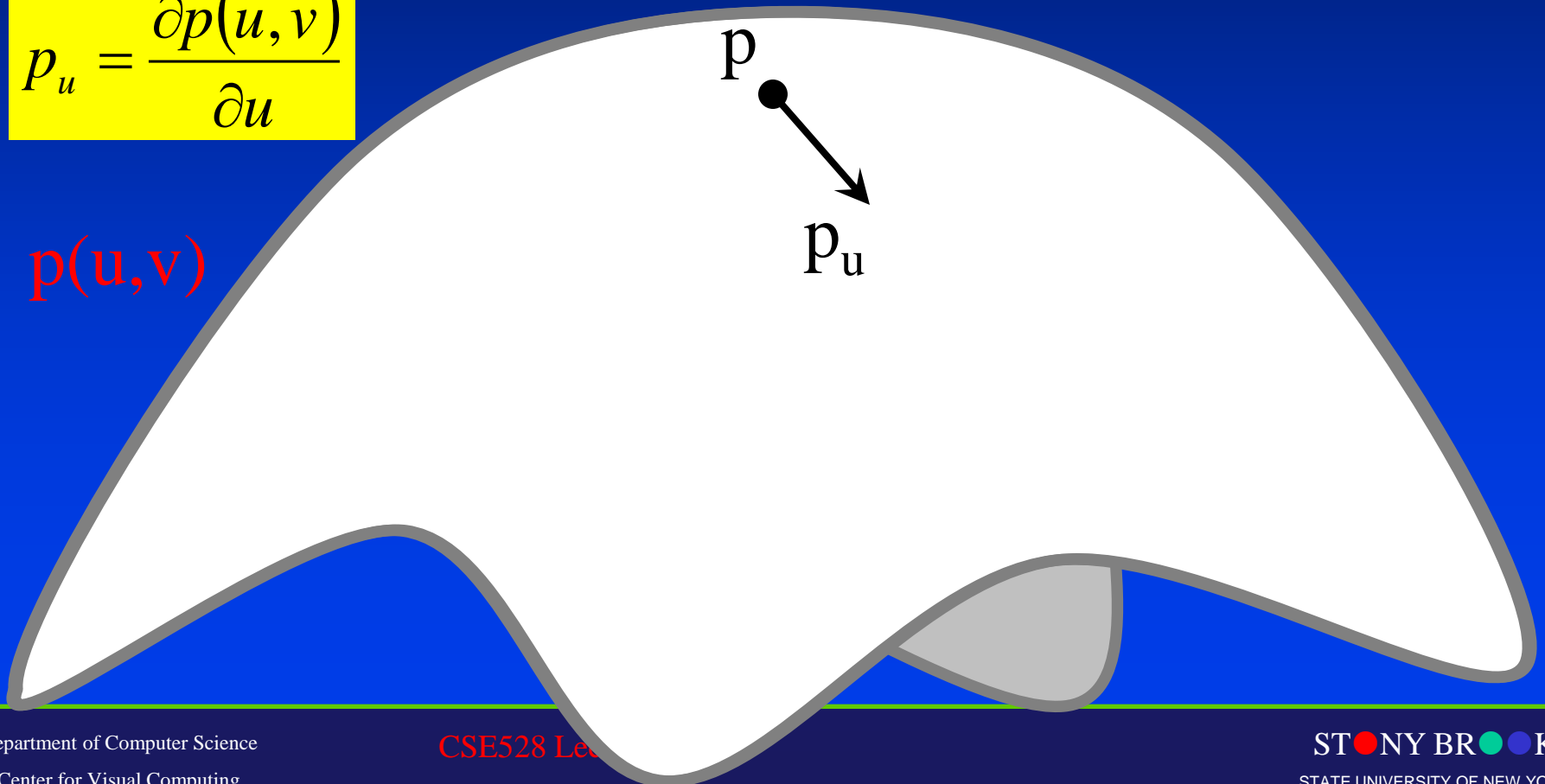


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Tangent p_u in the u direction

$$p_u = \frac{\partial p(u, v)}{\partial u}$$

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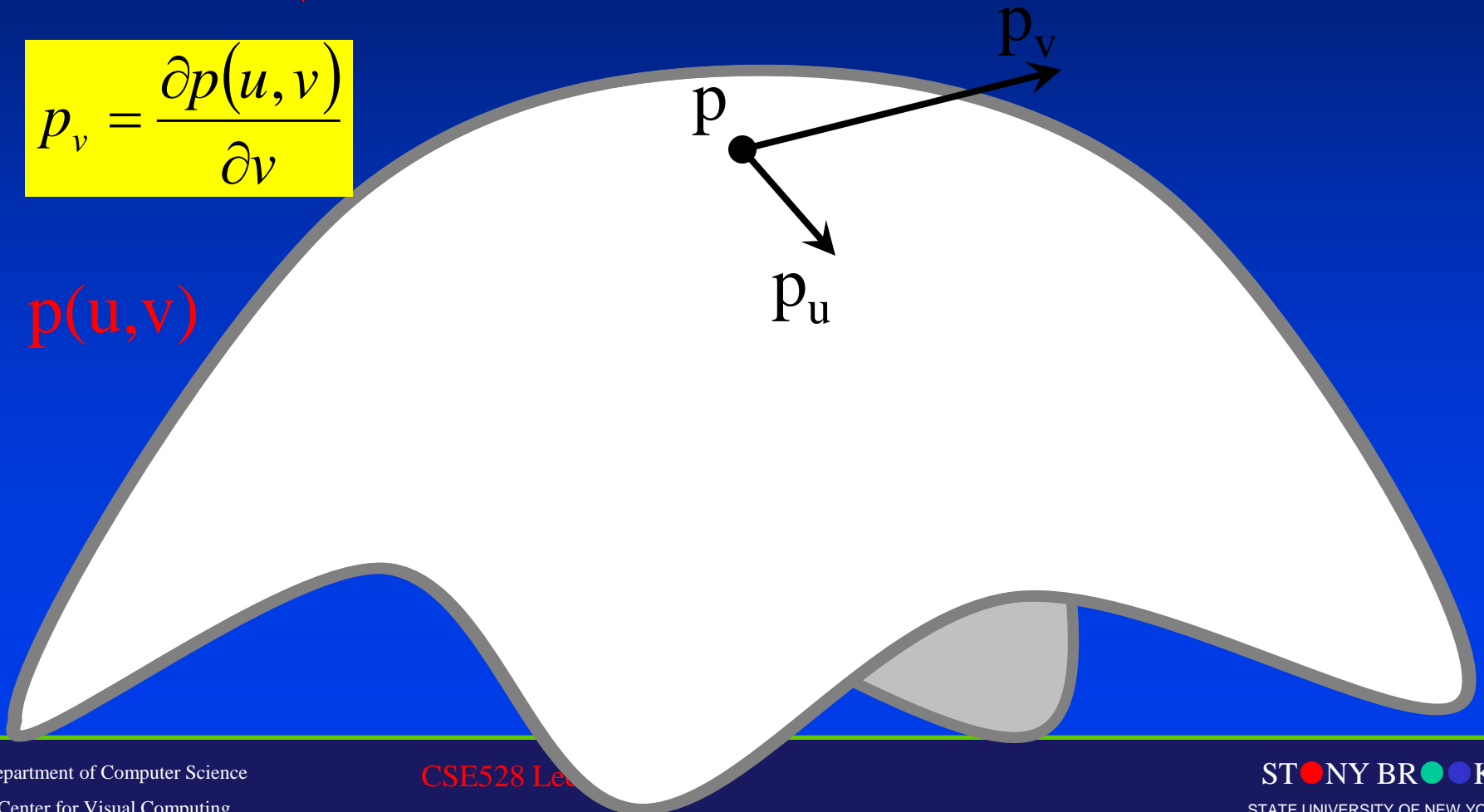


Differential Geometry of a Surface

Tangent p_v in the v direction

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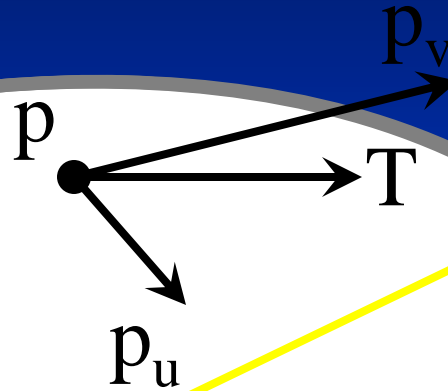


Differential Geometry of a Surface

Plane of tangents T

$$T = up_u + vp_v$$

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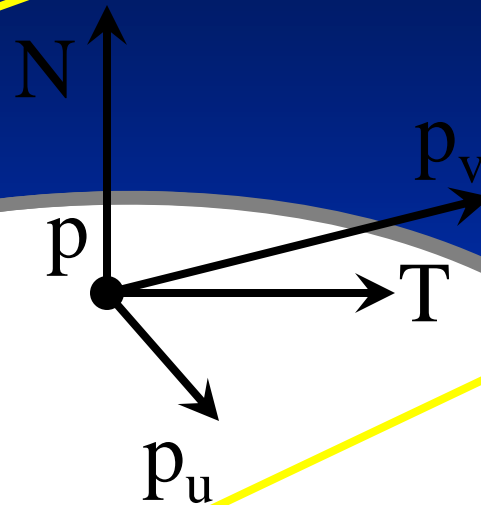


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Normal N

$$N = \frac{s_u \times s_v}{\|s_u \times s_v\|}$$

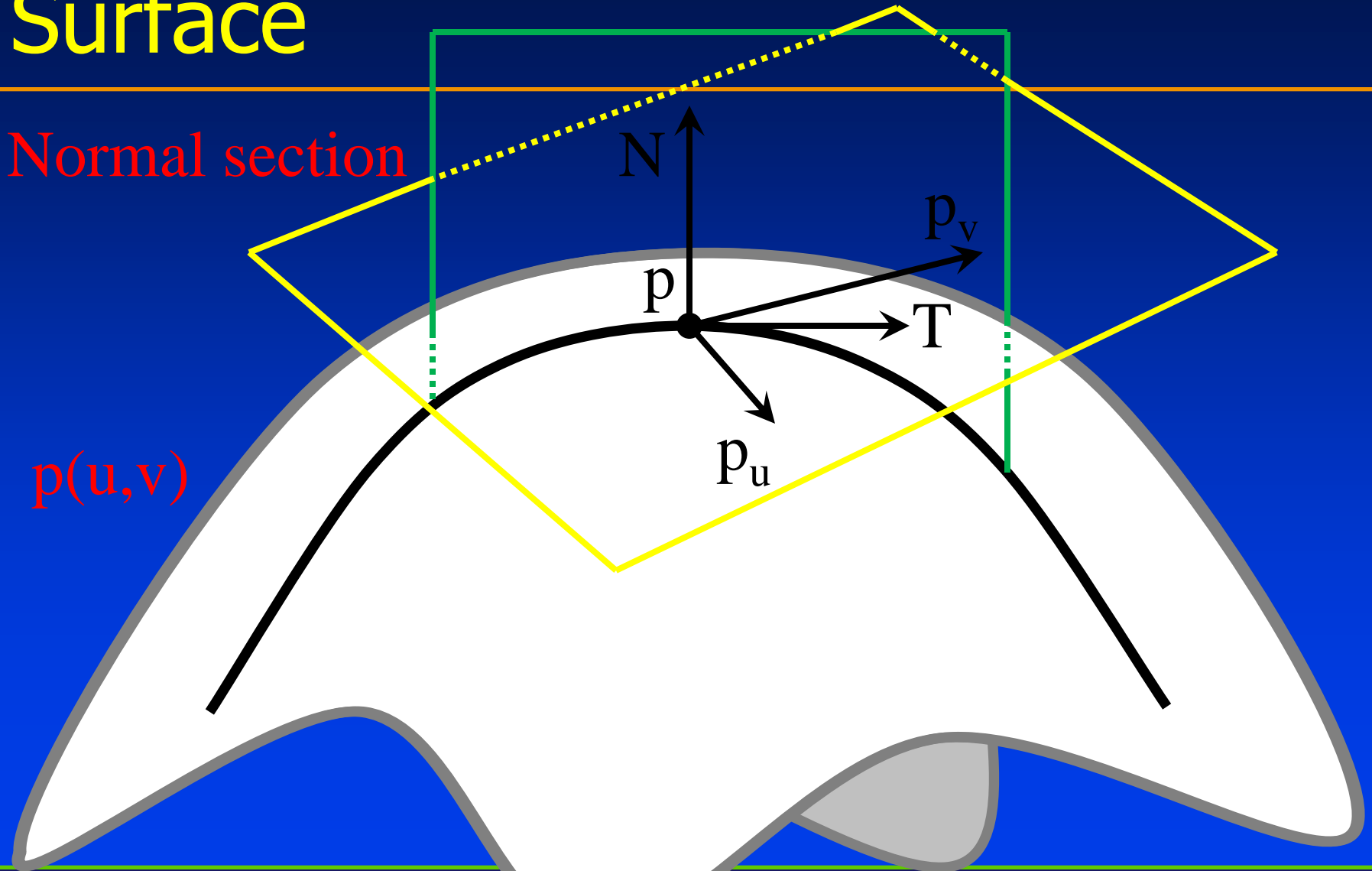
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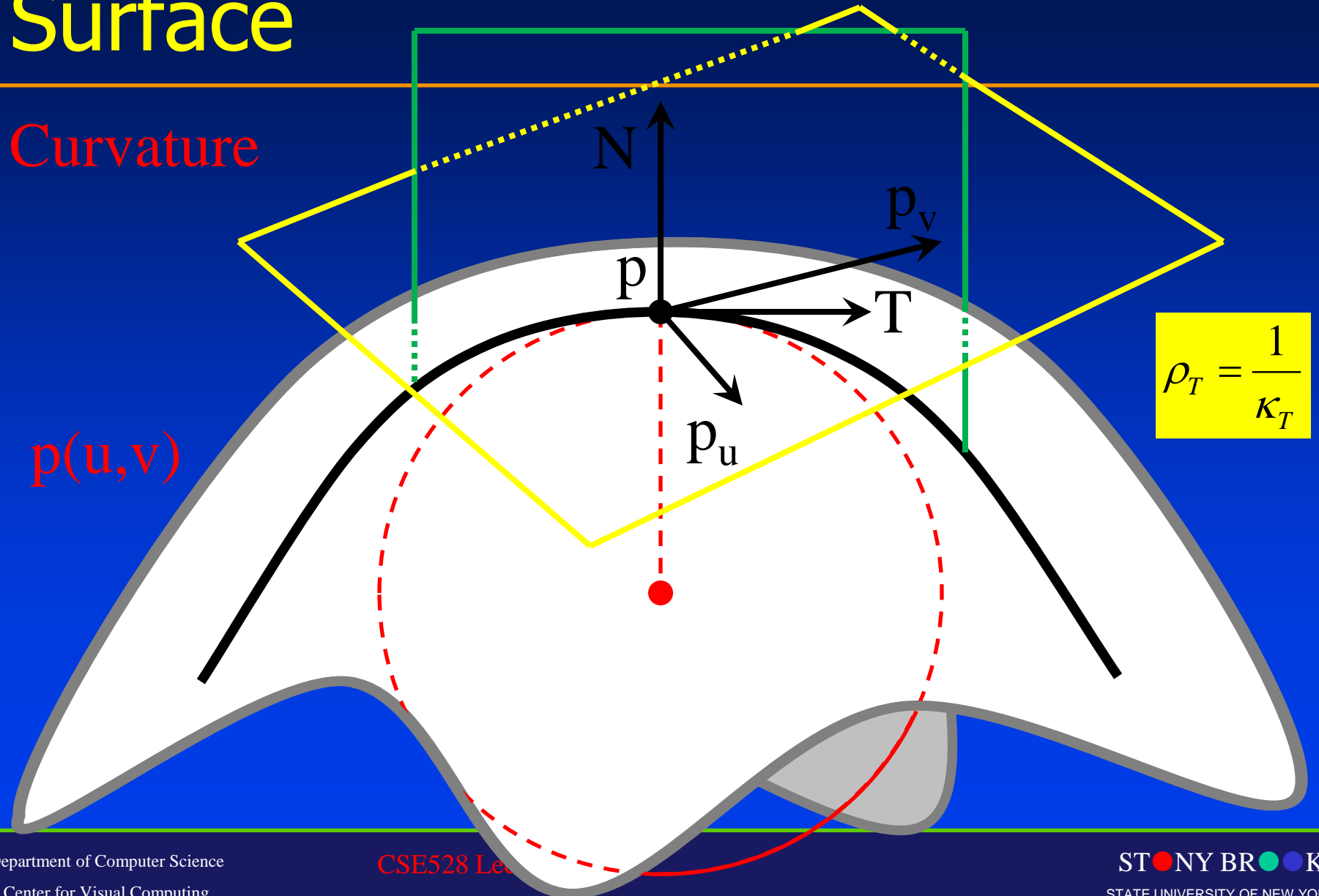
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Differential Geometry of a Surface

Curvature

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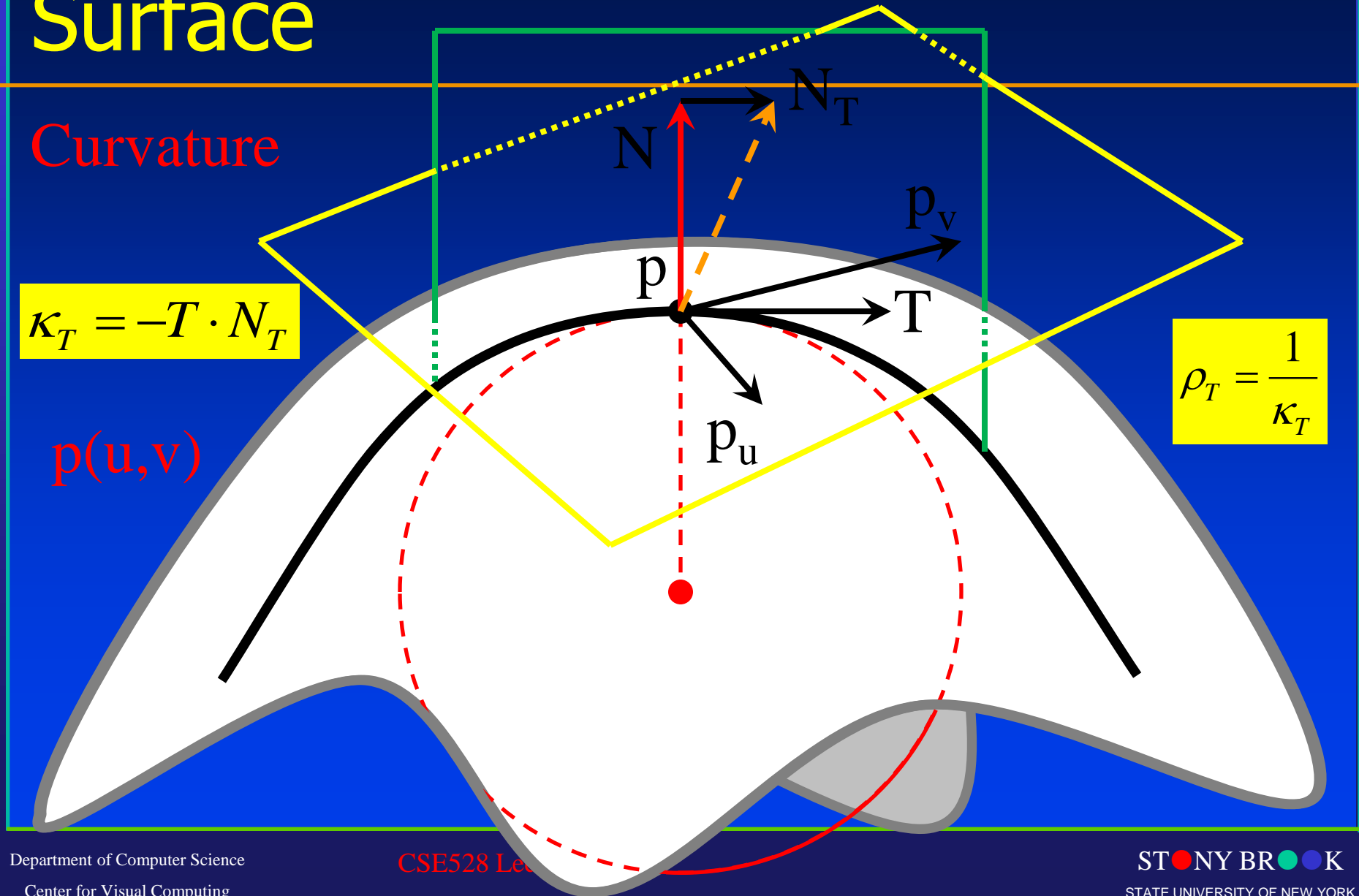
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$$\kappa_T = -T \cdot N_T$$

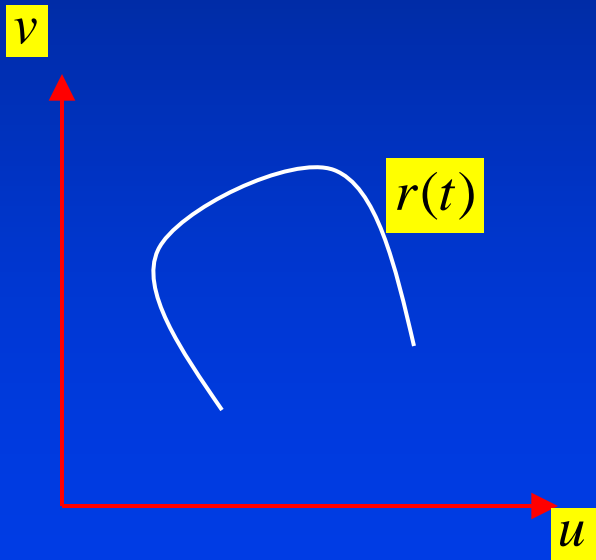
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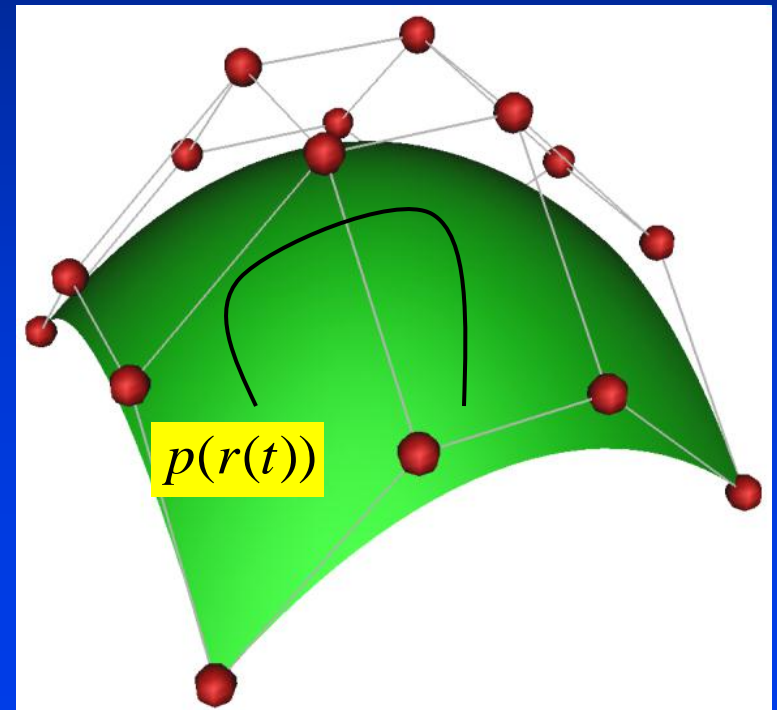
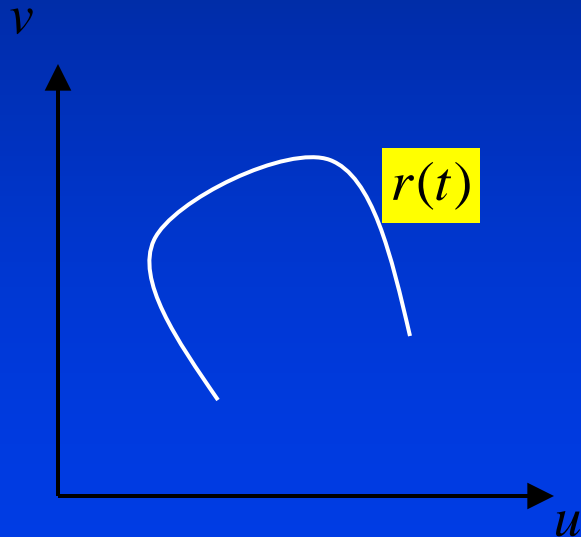
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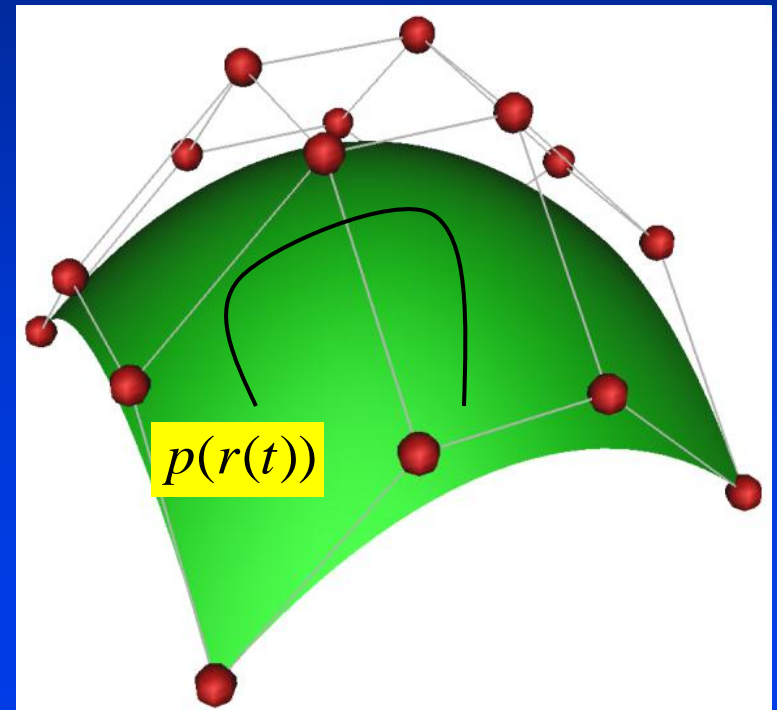
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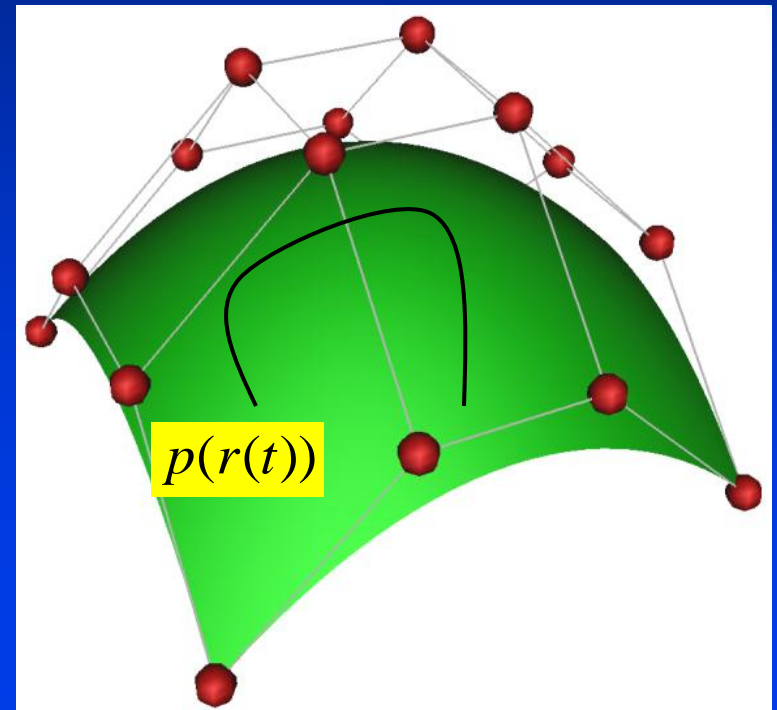


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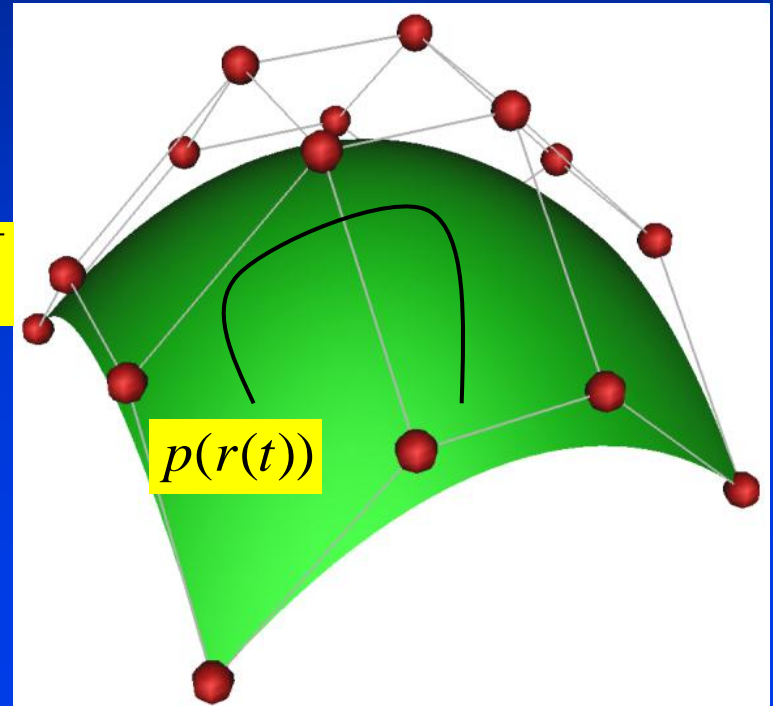


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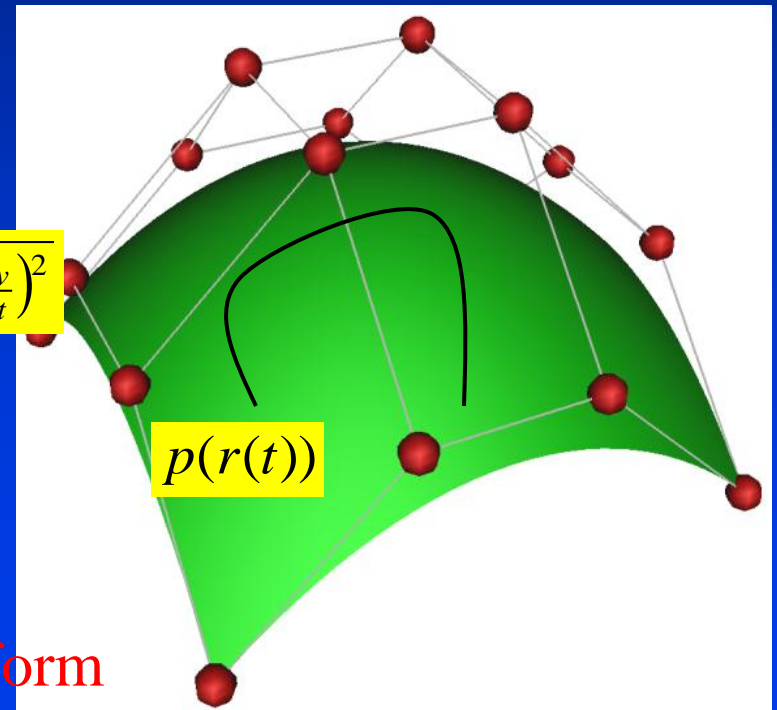
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First fundamental form

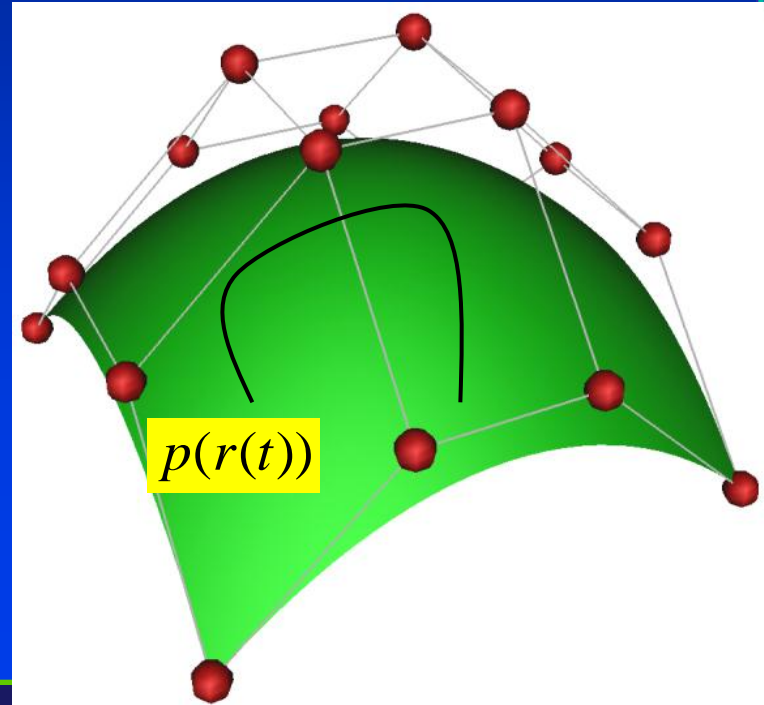


First Fundamental Form

$$E = p_u \cdot p_u \quad F = p_u \cdot p_v \quad G = p_v \cdot p_v$$

- Given *any* curve in parameter space $r(t) = (u(t), v(t))$, arc length of curve on surface is

$$s(t) = \int_{t_0}^t \sqrt{E \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}^2 + 2F \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + G \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}^2} dt$$

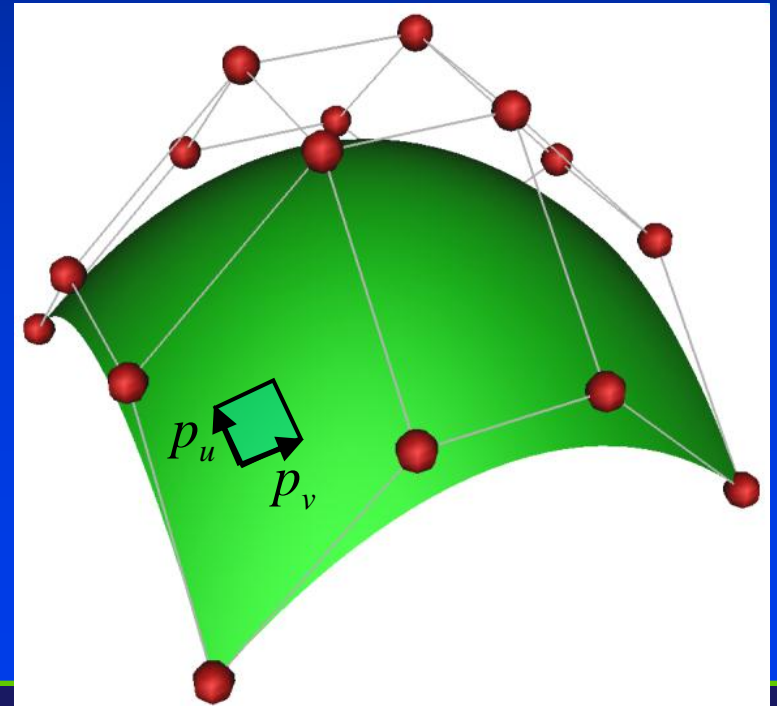


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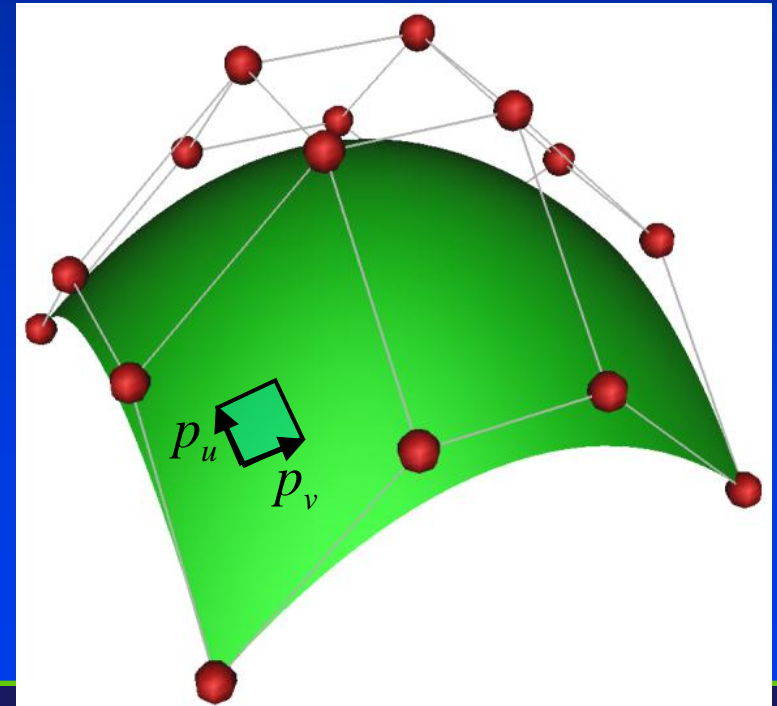
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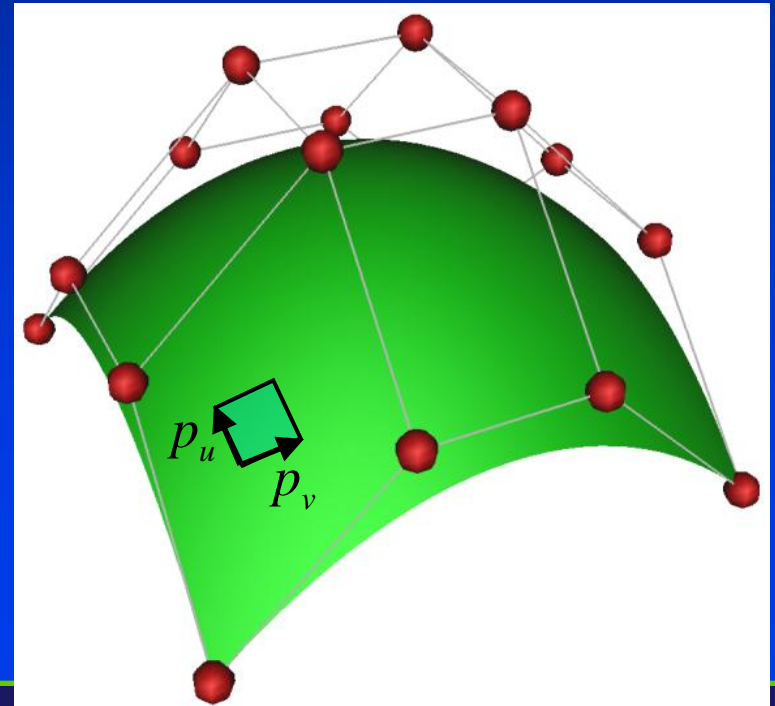
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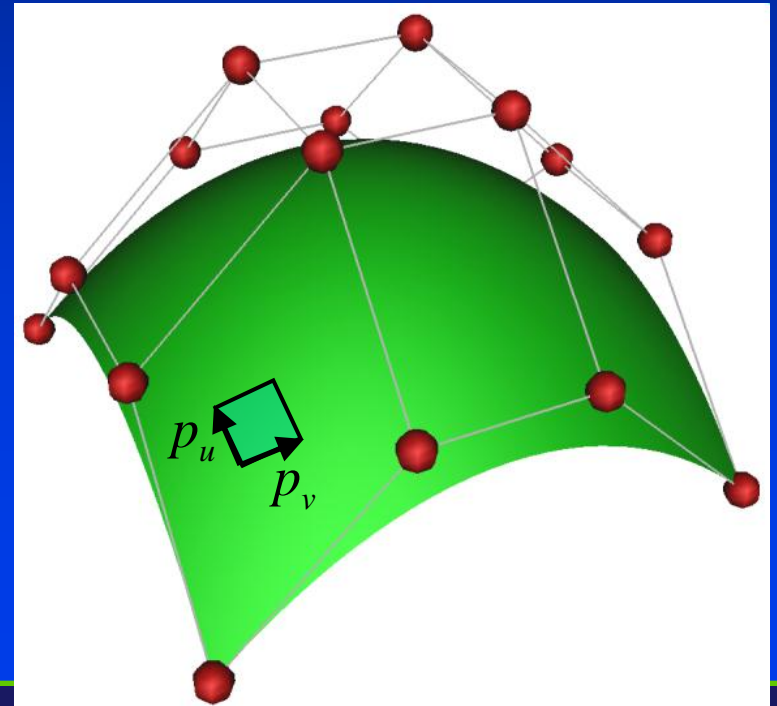
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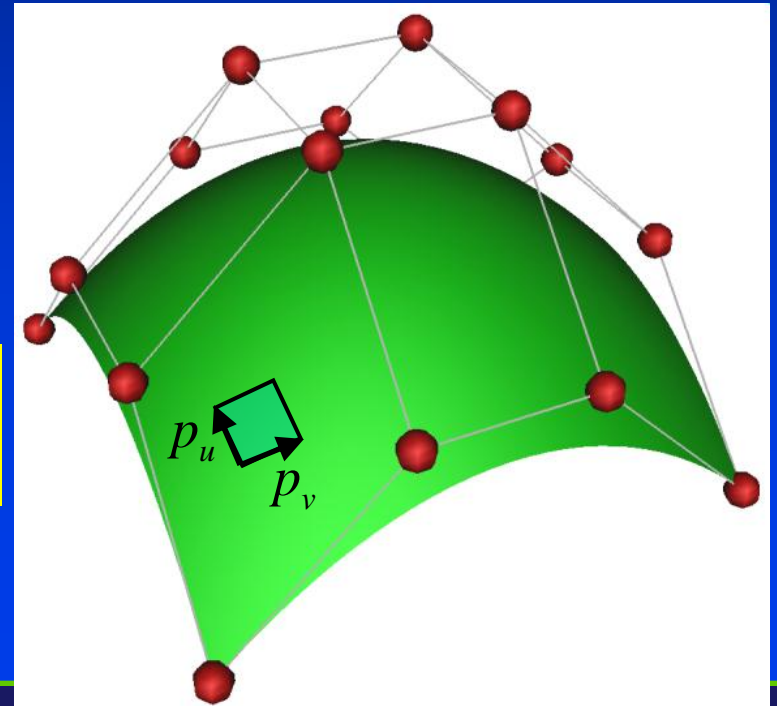
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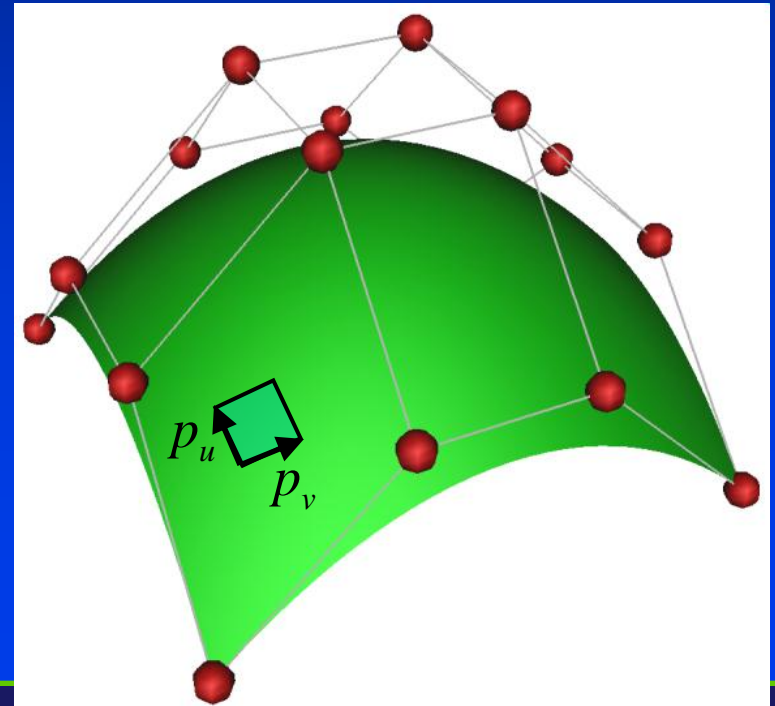
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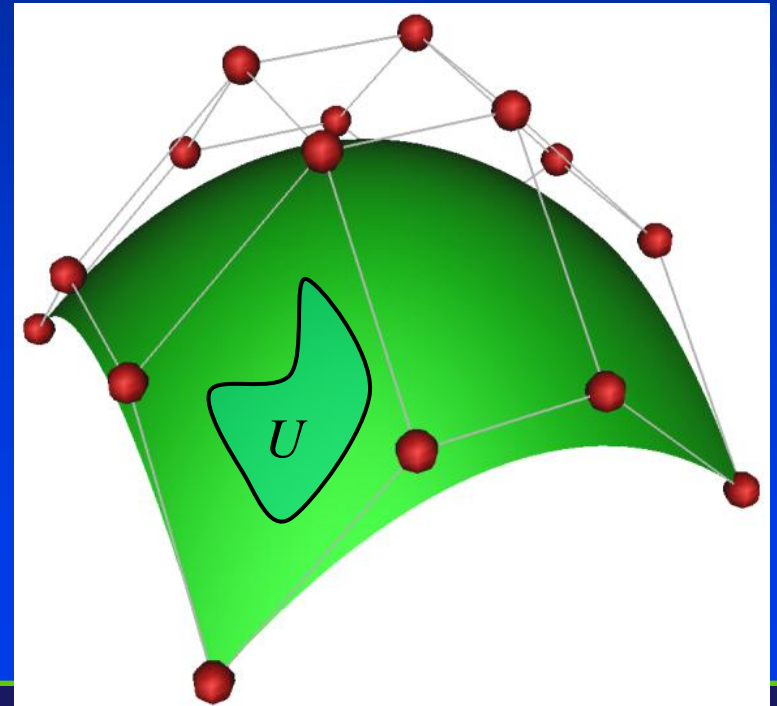


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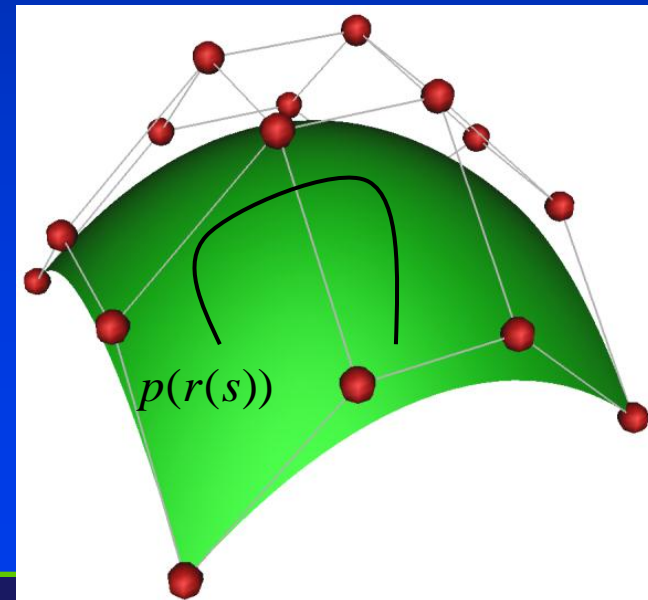
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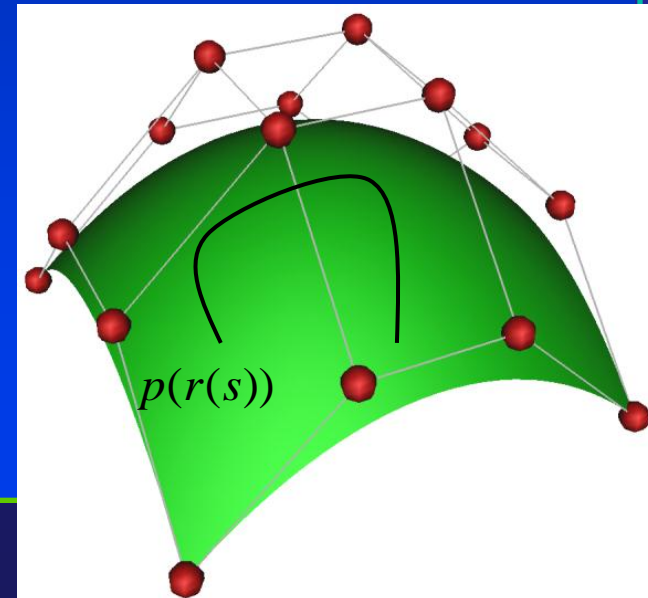
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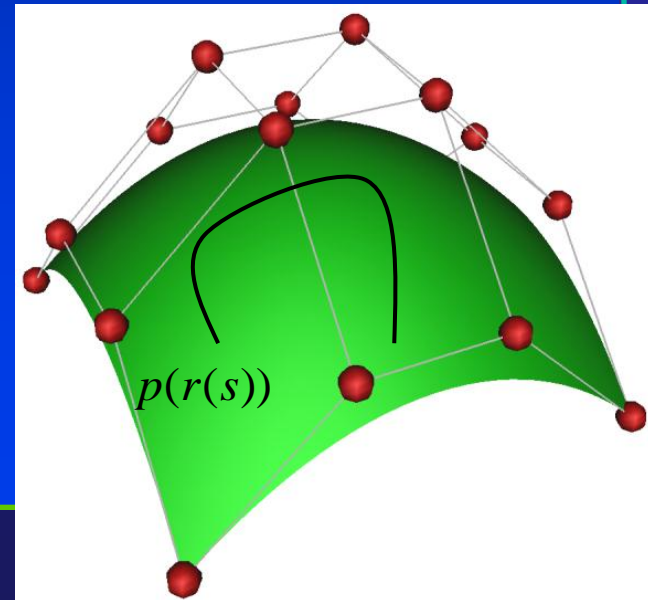
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- Let n be the normal of $p(u,v)$

$$n \cdot N(s) = \cos(\phi)$$



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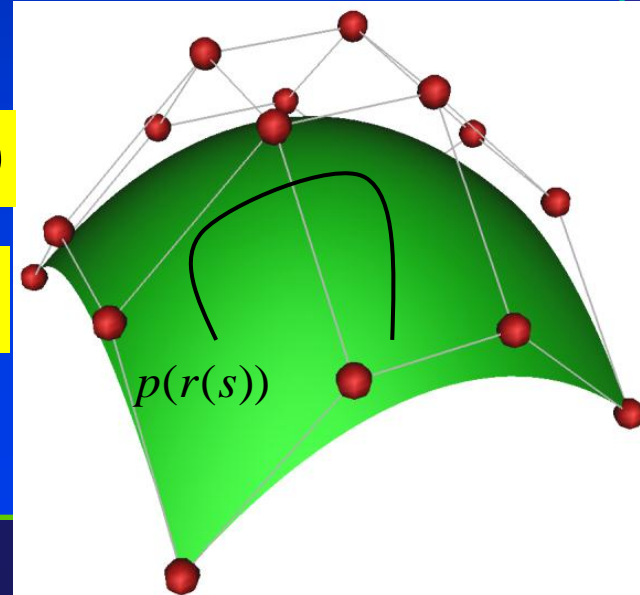
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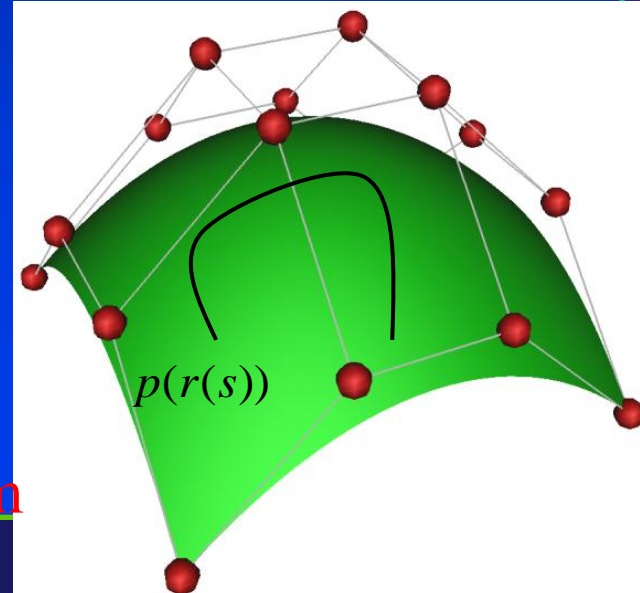
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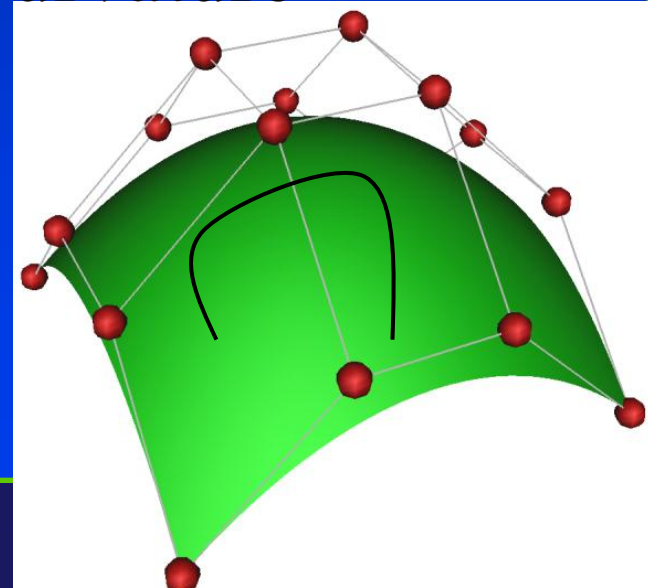
$$N = n \cdot p_{vv}$$

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Meusnier's Theorem

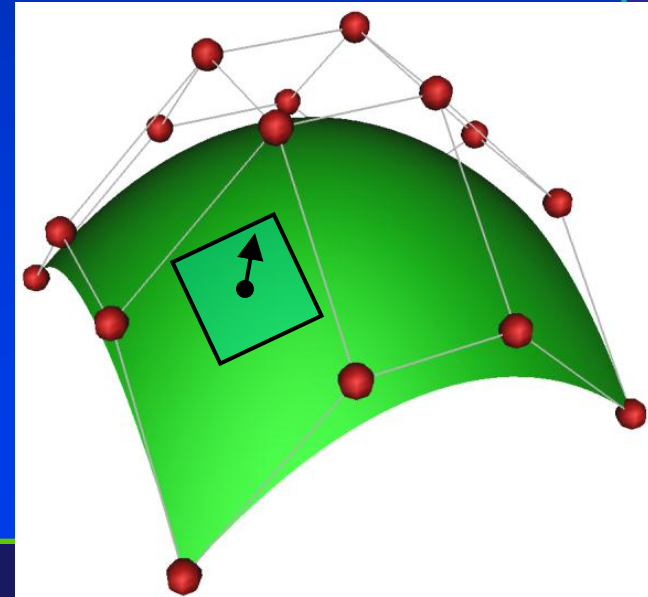
- Assume $n \cdot N(s) = 1$, $\kappa(s)$ is called the *normal curvature*
- Meusnier's Theorem states that all curves on $p(u,v)$ passing through a point x having the same tangent, have the same normal curvature



Lines of Curvature

- We can parameterize all tangents through x using a single parameter λ

$$\kappa(\lambda) = \frac{L + 2M\lambda + N\lambda^2}{E + 2F\lambda + G\lambda^2}$$



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- $K > 0$: elliptic
- $K < 0$: hyperbolic
- $\kappa_1 = 0 \vee \kappa_2 = 0$: parabolic
- $\kappa_1 = 0 \wedge \kappa_2 = 0$: flat

Energy Formulation for Surfaces

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