

**Winter 2001**  
**Computer Aided Geometric Design**  
**Due Monday, 16 April 2001**

1.  $a = [-2, 3]$  and  $b = [3, 4]$ . What is  $a * b$ ?

What is  $b^2$ ?

What is  $a^3$ ?

What is  $a/b$ ?

What is  $b/a$ ?

What is  $2^a$ ?

What is  $a^2 + 2a + 3$ ?

2. A Bernstein polynomial with interval coefficients is given as

$$p(t) = [1, 3] * (1 - t)^2 + [3, 5] * 2t(1 - t) + [2, 4]t^2.$$

Use the deCasteljau algorithm to compute:

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) =$$

$$p(2) =$$

$$p(4) =$$

3. For a certain degree two polynomial,  $p(1) = [.999, 1.001]$ ,  $p(2) = (1.999, 2.001)$ ,  $p(3) = (3.999, 4.001)$ . Use forward differencing to compute  $p(4)$  and  $p(5)$ .

4. For a certain degree two polynomial,  $p(1) = [.999, 1.001]$ ,  $p(2) = (1.999, 2.001)$ ,  $p(4) = (3.999, 4.001)$ . Use Newton polynomials to compute  $p(3)$ .

5. Interval arithmetic can be used to robustly find all roots of an equation  $p(t) = 0$ . A simple way to do this is to use interval halving. If  $0 \notin p([a, b])$ , then there is no root for  $t \in [a, b]$ . If  $0 \in p([a, b])$ , check to see if  $0 \in p([a, \frac{a+b}{2}])$  and  $0 \in p([\frac{a+b}{2}, b])$ . Use the interval halving method to find an interval whose width is  $\frac{1}{2}$  that contains a root of  $p(t) = 12t^2 - 31t + 20$ . Start with the interval  $[0, 4]$ .

6. Use Bézier clipping to find values of  $t$  for which the curve cubic Bézier curve  $\mathbf{P}(t)$  does not intersect the degree one Bézier curve  $\mathbf{Q}(s)$ .

The control points of  $\mathbf{P}(t)$  are:

$$\mathbf{P}_0 = (3, 0); \quad \mathbf{P}_1 = (1, 0); \quad \mathbf{P}_2 = (1, 1); \quad \mathbf{P}_3 = (3, 3);$$

The control points of  $\mathbf{Q}(s)$  are

$$\mathbf{Q}_0 = (0, 0); \quad \mathbf{Q}_1 = (4, 2).$$