

Improving Angular Speed Uniformity by Piecewise Radical Reparameterization

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Angular Speed Uniformity

- Consider a parameterization $p = (x, y) : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

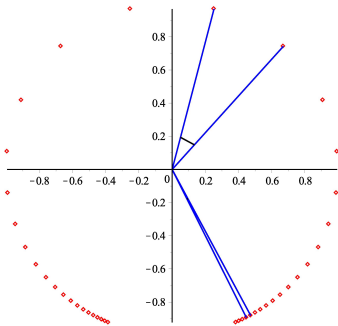
$$\omega_p = |\theta'_p| = \frac{|x'y'' - x''y'|}{x'^2 + y'^2}, \quad \mu_p = \int_0^1 \omega_p dt, \quad \sigma_p^2 = \int_0^1 (\omega_p(t) - \mu_p)^2 dt$$

- Angular Speed Uniformity

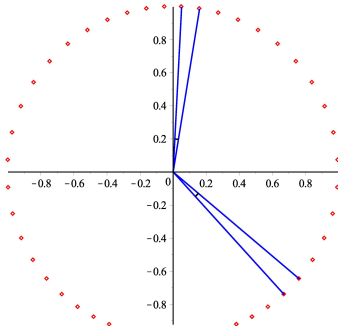
$$u_p = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1 + \sigma_p^2/\mu_p^2}, & \text{if } \mu_p \neq 0; \\ 1, & \text{if } \mu_p = 0. \end{cases}$$

- $u_p \in (0, 1]$; $u_p = 1 \Leftrightarrow \omega_p = \text{constant}$
- u_p can measure the **goodness** of p .

Examples: Angular Speed Uniformity



$u_{p_1} \doteq 0.482$, "bad"



$u_{p_2} \doteq 0.977$, "good"

Arc-angle Parameterization

- When $u_p = 1$, p is called an *arc-angle parameterization*.
e.g. $p = (\cos t, \sin t)$ is an arc-angle parameterization.
- How to compute the arc-angle reparameterization p^* of p ?
Answer. Proper parameter transformation $r_p: p^* = p \circ r_p$
- $r : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called a *proper parameter transformation* if
 - C1. $r(0) = 0, r(1) = 1$;
 - C2. for all $s \in [0, 1], r'(s) \geq 0$.

Arc-angle Reparameterization

Problem A

Given: $p \in \mathbb{Q}(t)^2$.

Find: a proper parameter transformation $r_p(s)$ such that $p \circ r_p$ is an arc-angle parameterization.

Theorem

Let

$$\psi_p(t) = \frac{1}{\mu_p} \int_0^t \omega_p(t) dt,$$

and $r_p = \psi_p^{-1}$. Then $u_{p \circ r_p} = 1$, i.e. $p \circ r_p$ is an arc-angle reparameterization of p .

- r_p is called a *uniformizing parameter transformation*.

Rational Approximation of Arc-angle Reparameterization

Q: Is arc-angle parameterization **rational**?

A: The answer is "**No**" except for straight lines.

Problem B

Given: $p \in \mathbb{Q}(t)^2$.

Find: a rational p^* such that $u_{p^*} \doteq 1$ or equivalently a rational r such that $u_{por} \doteq 1$.

Rational Approximation of Arc-angle Reparameterization

- **Approach:** piecewise rational functions of low degree
e.g. piecewise Möbius transformation
- **Related Work:**
Patterson & Bajaj '89, Kosters '91, Yang et al. '12 & '13
- **Drawback:** only valid for curves without inflation points
i.e. $\omega_p(t) \neq 0$ for $\forall t \in [0, 1]$

Difficulty

- $u_{por} \doteq 1 \Rightarrow \omega_{por} \doteq \mu_{por} = \mu_p$
- $\omega_{por} = (\omega_p \circ r) \cdot r'$
- If $\omega_p(\bar{t}) = 0$, $\omega_p \circ r(\bar{s}) = 0 \wedge \omega_{por}(\bar{s}) \neq 0 \Rightarrow r'(\bar{s}) = +\infty$
- $r(s)$ ($0 \leq s \leq 1$) is continuous and rational $\Rightarrow r'(s)$ bounded ×
- Alternative Choice: **Piecewise Radical Transformation**

Notations

- $p'(t) = \left\{ \frac{X_1(t)}{W(t)}, \frac{X_2(t)}{W(t)} \right\}$ where $\gcd(X_1, X_2, W) = 1$

- $\omega_p = \frac{|X_1'(t)X_2(t) - X_2'(t)X_1(t)|}{X_1^2(t) + X_2^2(t)}$

- Multiplicity of t_i in ω_p : $\mu_i = \text{mult}(\omega_p, t_i)$

$$F(t) = X_1'(t)X_2(t) - X_2'(t)X_1(t) = \prod_{i=1}^k (t - t_i)^{\mu_i} \cdot \zeta(t)$$

Notations

Let $T = (t_0, \dots, t_N)$, $S = (s_0, \dots, s_N)$ be such that

- $0 = t_0 < \dots < t_N = 1$, $0 = s_0 < \dots < s_N = 1$;
- either $\omega_p(t_i)$ or $\omega_p'(t_i)$ is zero for $0 < i < N$;
- the multiplicity of t_i in ω_p is μ_i ;
- $\omega_p(t) \neq 0$ for all $t \in (t_i, t_{i+1})$.

Piecewise Radical Transformation

Definition

We call φ an **elementary piecewise radical transformation** associated to p if

$$\varphi(s) = \begin{cases} \vdots \\ \varphi_i(s), & \text{if } s \in [s_i, s_{i+1}]; \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

where

$$\varphi_i(s) = \begin{cases} t_i + \Delta t_i \sqrt[\mu_i+1]{s}, & \text{if } \omega_p(t_i) = 0; \\ t_i + \Delta t_i (1 - \sqrt[\mu_{i+1}+1]{1 - \tilde{s}}), & \text{if } \omega_p(t_{i+1}) = 0; \\ t_i + \Delta t_i \cdot \tilde{s}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

and $\Delta t_i = t_{i+1} - t_i$, $\Delta s_i = s_{i+1} - s_i$, $\tilde{s} = (s - s_i) / \Delta s_i$.

Definition

Let $Z = (z_0, \dots, z_N)$ and $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{N-1})$ be such that

$$0 = z_0 < \dots < z_N = 1, \quad 0 < \alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{N-1} < 1$$

and p, S be as given before. Then m is called a **piecewise Möbius transformation** associated to p if m is of the form:

$$m(z) = \begin{cases} \vdots \\ m_i(z), & \text{if } z \in [z_i, z_{i+1}]; \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

where

$$m_i(z) = s_i + \Delta s_i \cdot \frac{(1 - \alpha_i)\tilde{z}}{(1 - \alpha_i)\tilde{z} + \alpha_i(1 - \tilde{z})} \quad (1)$$

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Piecewise Radical Reparameterization

Problem C

Given: $p \in \mathbb{Q}(t)^2$.

Find: φ, m over $[0, 1]$ such that

- $u_{p \circ \varphi \circ m} \doteq 1$;
- $\forall z \in [0, 1], \omega_{p \circ \varphi \circ m}(z) \neq 0$.

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Property of $\varphi(s)$ (1)

- Let $t = \varphi_i(s)$ and $\tilde{t} = (t - t_i)/\Delta t_i$. Then

$$\tilde{t} = \begin{cases} \mu_i^{+1} \sqrt{\tilde{s}}, & \text{if } \omega_p(t_i) = 0; \\ 1 - \mu_{i+1}^{+1} \sqrt{1 - \tilde{s}}, & \text{if } \omega_p(t_{i+1}) = 0; \\ \tilde{s}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- $\varphi(s)$ with C^0 continuity while $\varphi'(s)$ discontinuous
- $\omega_{p \circ \varphi}(s)$ discontinuous at $s = s_i$

Property of $\varphi(s)$ (2)

- $\omega_{p \circ \varphi}(s) \neq 0$ for $\forall s \in [0, 1]$

Example

Consider $p = (t, t^3)$.

- $\omega_p = \frac{6t}{9t^4 + 1}$
- $t = 0$ is a zero of ω_p with multiplicity 1
- $T = [0, 1], S = [0, 1]$

Construct $\varphi(s) = \sqrt{s}$. It follows that

$$\omega_{p \circ \varphi}(s) = (\omega_p \circ \varphi)(s) \cdot \varphi'(s) = \frac{6\sqrt{s}}{9s^2 + 1} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{s}} = \frac{3}{9s^2 + 1}.$$

Choice of T

Properties of φ^{-1}	Properties of r_p^{-1}
$(\varphi = \varphi_{T,S,\alpha})$	$(r_p^{-1} = \int_0^t \omega_p(\gamma) d\gamma / \mu_p)$
$\varphi^{-1}(0) = 0, \varphi^{-1}(1) = 1$	$r_p^{-1}(0) = 0, r_p^{-1}(1) = 1$
$(\varphi^{-1})'(t) \geq 0$ over $[0, 1]$	$(r_p^{-1})'(t) \geq 0$ over $[0, 1]$
$(\varphi^{-1})'(t)$ is monotonic over $[t_i, t_{i+1}]$	If $\omega_p(t_i)\omega_p'(t_i) = 0$, then $(r_p^{-1})'(t)$ is monotonic over $[t_i, t_{i+1}]$

Conclusion

Choose $T = [0, \dots, t_i, \dots, 1]$ s.t. $\omega_p(t_i)\omega_p'(t_i) = 0$

Determination of S

Theorem

The uniformity $u_{p \circ \varphi}$ reaches the maximum when

$$s_i = s_i^* = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \sqrt{L_k}}{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sqrt{L_k}}$$

where

$$L_k = \begin{cases} \Delta t_k \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{(\mu_k + 1) \tilde{t}^{\mu_k}} dt & \text{if } \omega_p(t_k) = 0; \\ \Delta t_k \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{(\mu_{k+1} + 1)(1 - \tilde{t})^{\mu_{k+1}}} dt & \text{if } \omega_p(t_{k+1}) = 0; \\ \Delta t_k \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \omega_p^2(t) dt, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Determination of α and Z

Theorem

Let q be such that $\omega_q(s) \neq 0$ over $[0, 1]$ and m be a piecewise Möbius transformation determined by S, Z and α . For given $S, u_{q \circ m}$ reaches the maximum when

$$\alpha_i = \alpha_i^* = \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{C_i/A_i}}, \quad z_i = z_i^* = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \sqrt{M_k}}{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sqrt{M_k}}$$

where

$$A_i = \int_{s_i}^{s_{i+1}} \omega_q^2 \cdot (1 - \tilde{s})^2 ds,$$

$$B_i = \int_{s_i}^{s_{i+1}} \omega_q^2 \cdot 2\tilde{s}(1 - \tilde{s}) ds,$$

$$C_i = \int_{s_i}^{s_{i+1}} \omega_q^2 \cdot \tilde{s}^2 ds,$$

$$M_k = \Delta s_k \left(2\sqrt{A_k C_k} + B_k \right).$$

Express A_i , B_i and C_i via p (1)

$$A_i = \begin{cases} \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta s_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{(\mu_i + 1)\tilde{t}^{\mu_i}} \cdot (1 - \tilde{t}^{\mu_i+1})^2 dt, & \text{if } \omega(t_i) = 0; \\ \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta s_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{\mu_{i+1} + 1} \cdot (1 - \tilde{t})^{\mu_{i+1}+2} dt, & \text{if } \omega(t_{i+1}) = 0; \\ \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta s_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \omega_p^2(t) \cdot (1 - \tilde{t})^2 dt, & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases}$$

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Express A_i , B_i and C_i via p (2)

$$C_i = \begin{cases} \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta s_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{\mu_i + 1} \cdot \tilde{t}^{\mu_i+2} dt, & \text{if } \omega(t_i) = 0; \\ \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta s_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{(\mu_{i+1} + 1)(1 - \tilde{t})^{\mu_{i+1}}} \cdot [1 - (1 - \tilde{t})^{\mu_{i+1}+1}]^2 dt, & \text{if } \omega(t_{i+1}) = 0; \\ \frac{\Delta t_i}{\Delta s_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \omega_p^2(t) \cdot (1 - \tilde{t})^2 dt, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Instability Solution

- $t = \gamma$ is a zero of $\omega_p(t)$ with multiplicity μ_i and $\gamma \doteq t_i$
- $\omega_p^2(t) = G/H$ and $\text{mult}(G, \gamma) \geq \mu_i$
- $G(t) = (t - \gamma)^{m_i} Q(t, \gamma) + R(t, \gamma) \Rightarrow R(t, \gamma) \equiv 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_i &= \Delta t_i^{\mu_i+1} \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \frac{\omega_p^2(t)}{(\mu_i + 1)(t - \gamma)^{\mu_i}} dt \\
 &\doteq \frac{\Delta t_i^{\mu_i+1}}{\mu_i + 1} \cdot \int_{t_i}^{t_{i+1}} \frac{Q(t, t_i)}{H(t)} dt. \\
 L_{i-1} &\doteq \frac{(-1)^{\mu_i} \Delta t_{i-1}^{\mu_i+1}}{\mu_i + 1} \cdot \int_{t_{i-1}}^{t_i} \frac{Q(t, t_i)}{H(t)} dt.
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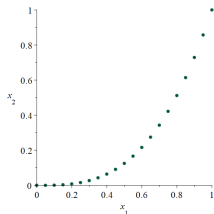
Algorithm: Piecewise Radical Reparameterization

Input: p

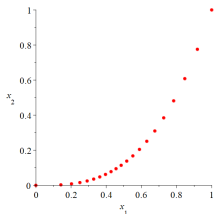
Output: r , a piecewise radical transformation of p such that $u_{p \circ r} > u_p$

1. Compute T by solving $\omega_p(t)\omega_p'(t) = 0$.
 2. Compute S , Z and α which globally minimize $u_{p \circ \varphi}$.
 3. Construct φ with T , S and m with S , Z , α .
 4. $r \leftarrow \varphi \circ m$.
 5. Return r .
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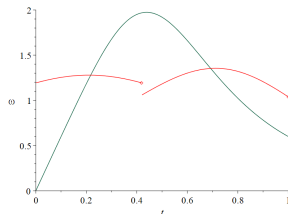
Example: Cubic Curve $p = (t, t^3)$



Original param



Radical reparam



Angular speed

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- Propose the concept of **piecewise radical transformation**
- Prove $\omega_{p \circ \varphi}(s) \neq 0$ for $\forall s \in [0, 1]$
- Design an algorithm for computing a **radical reparameterization** with uniformity close to 1

Future Work

- Search for other efficient parameter transformations to make ω_p^* **continuous**
- Generalize the framework for improving the angular speed uniformity of parametric curves to **surfaces or real varieties** of higher dimension

Thank you!