

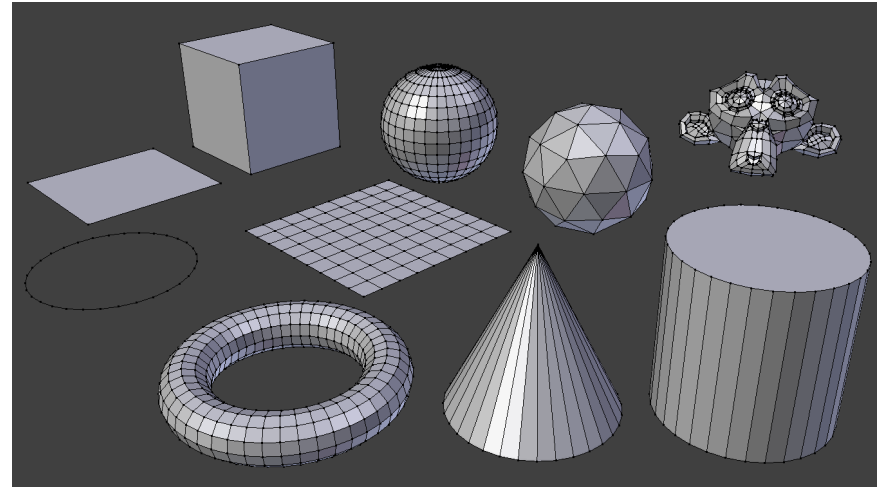
CMSC427

Parametric surfaces  
and polygonal meshes

- These slides are incomplete
- See accompanying PDF with detailed outline
- Will develop many equations in class
- Reading later to supplement

# Moving to 3D

- Polygonal meshes
  - Set of standard shapes in Blender



- And how to create them
  - And store them
  - And draw them



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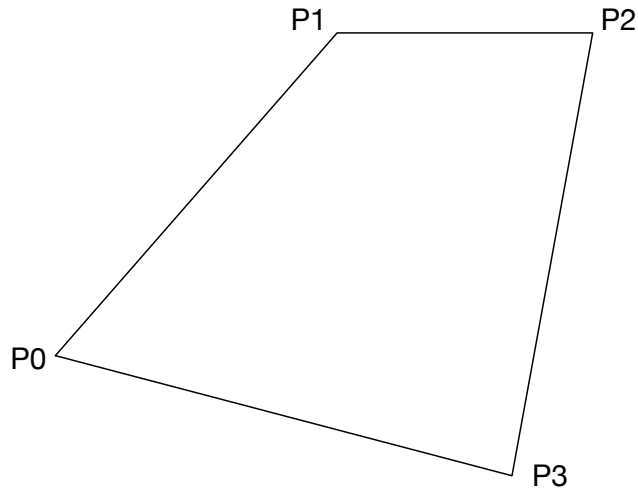


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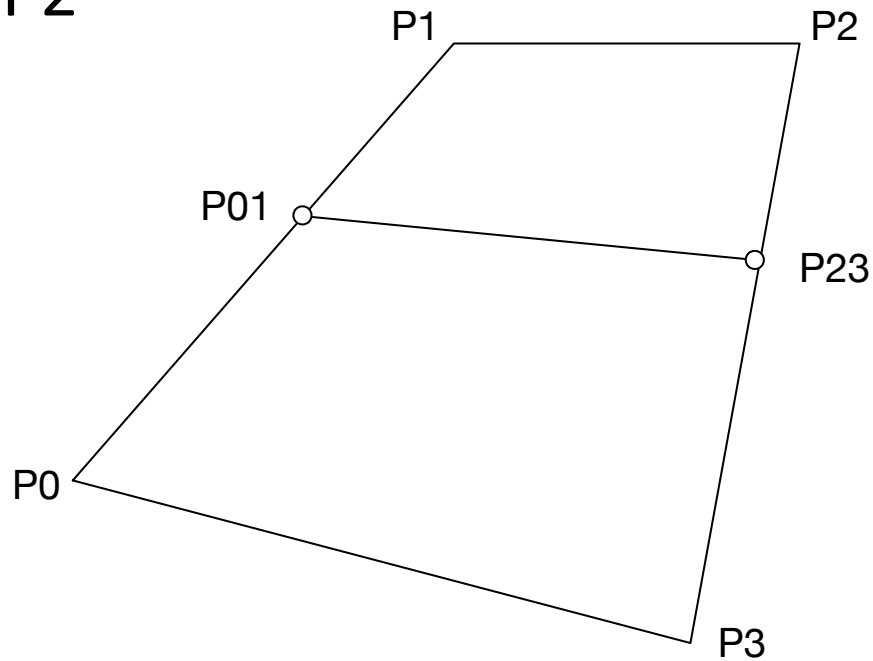
# Bilinear patch

- Blending of four 3D points
- Ruled surface
  - Swept out by sequence of lines



# Bilinear patch

- Blend simultaneously along two lines
- $P_{01} = t(P_1 - P_0) + P_0$
- $P_{23} = t(P_2 - P_3) + P_2$
- Same  $t$  in  $[0,1]$



# Bilinear patch

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- $P_{01} = tP_1 + (1-t)P_0$

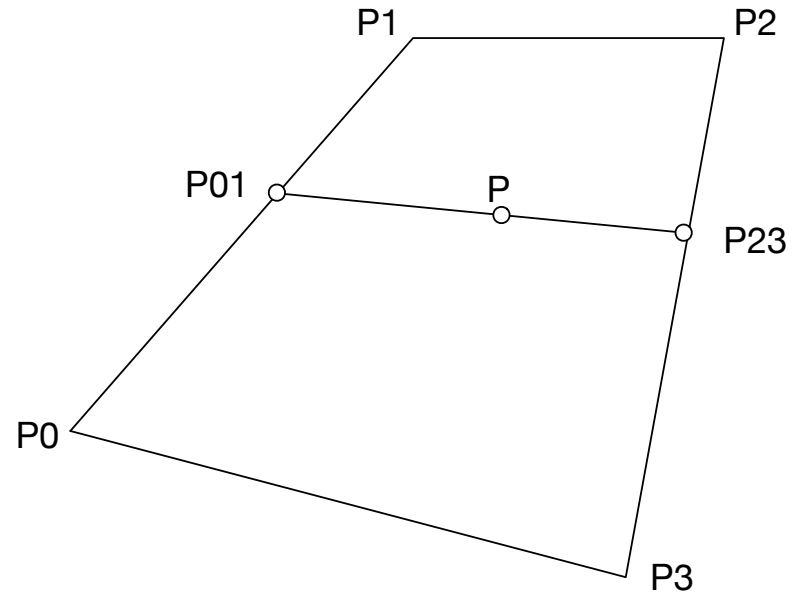
- $P_{23} = tP_3 + (1-t)P_2$

- Same  $t$  in  $[0,1]$

- Then blend between the two lines

- $P = sP_{23} + (1-s)P_{01}$

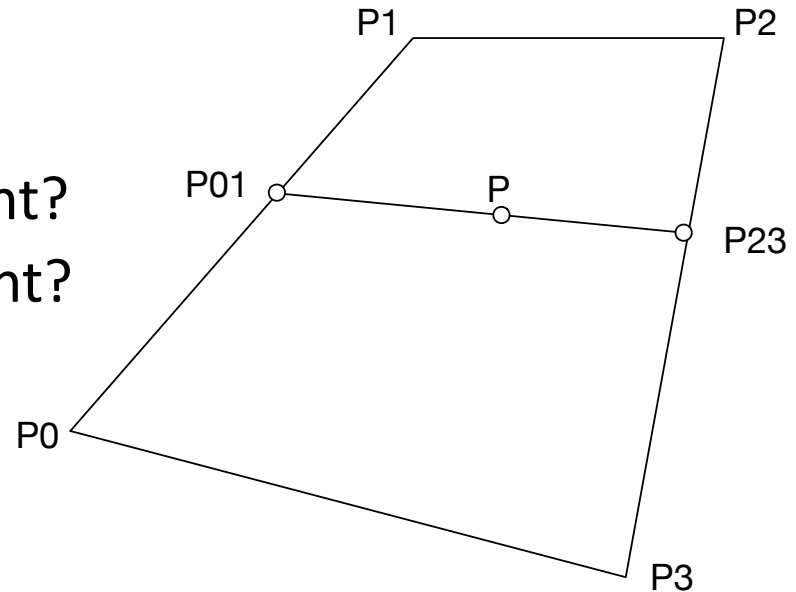
- $P = s(tP_1 + (1-t)P_0) + (1-s)(tP_3 + (1-t)P_2)$



# Bilinear patch

- Questions

- What order polynomial?
- Convex combination?
- What is drawn if  $t$  is constant?
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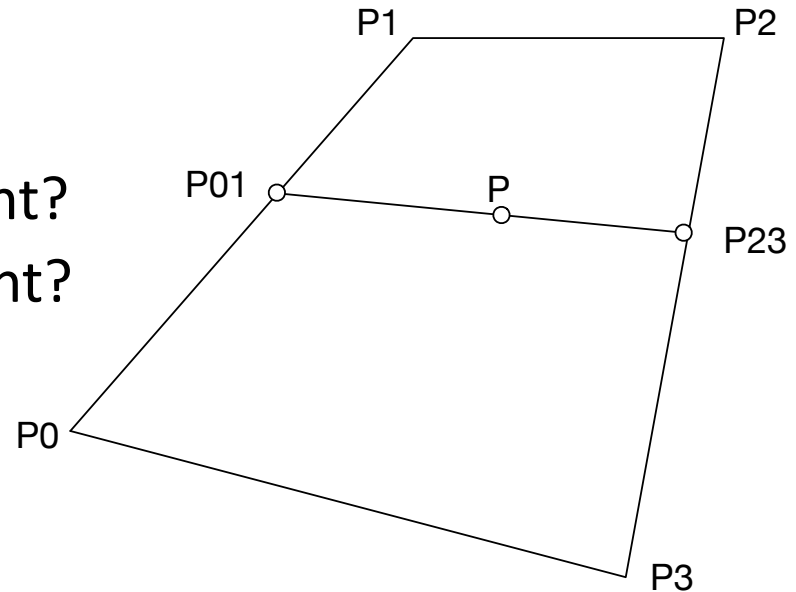


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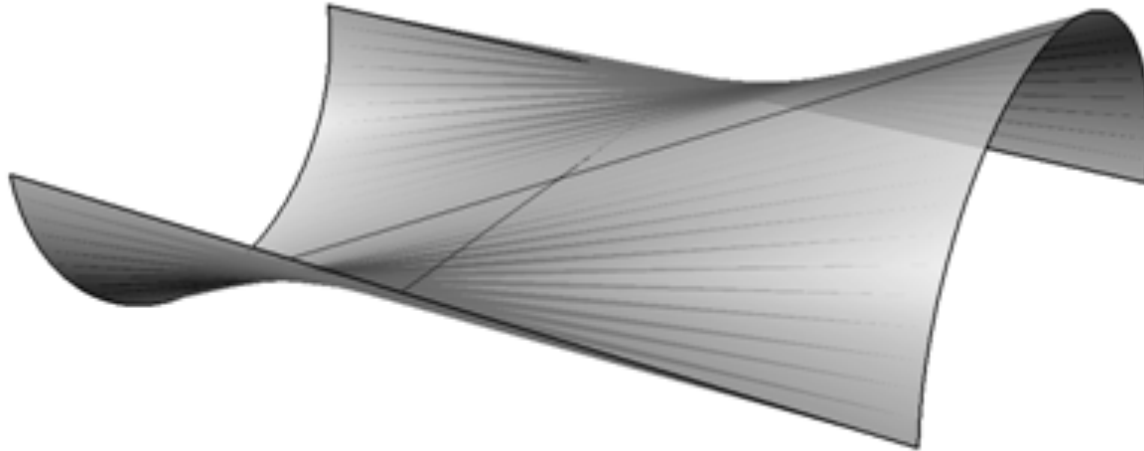


- $P = s(tP1 + (1-t)P0) + (1-s)(tP3 + (1-t)P2)$
- $P = stP1 + s(1-t)P0 + (1-s)tP3 + (1-s)(1-t)P2$



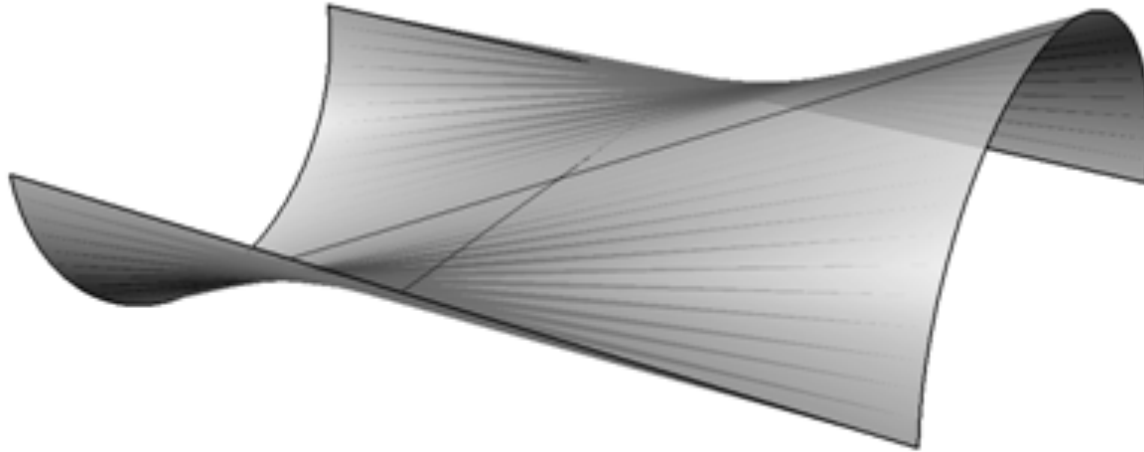
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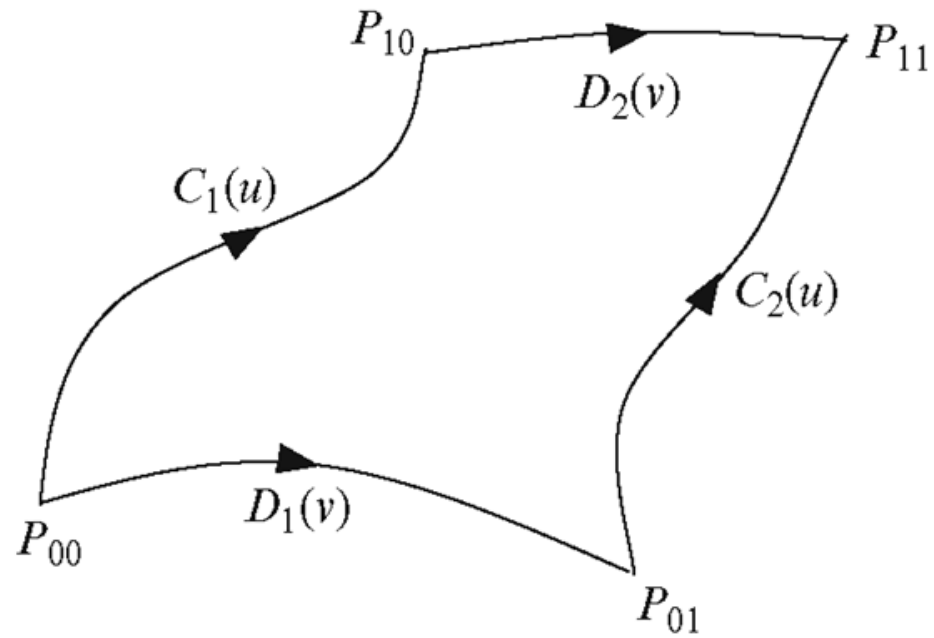
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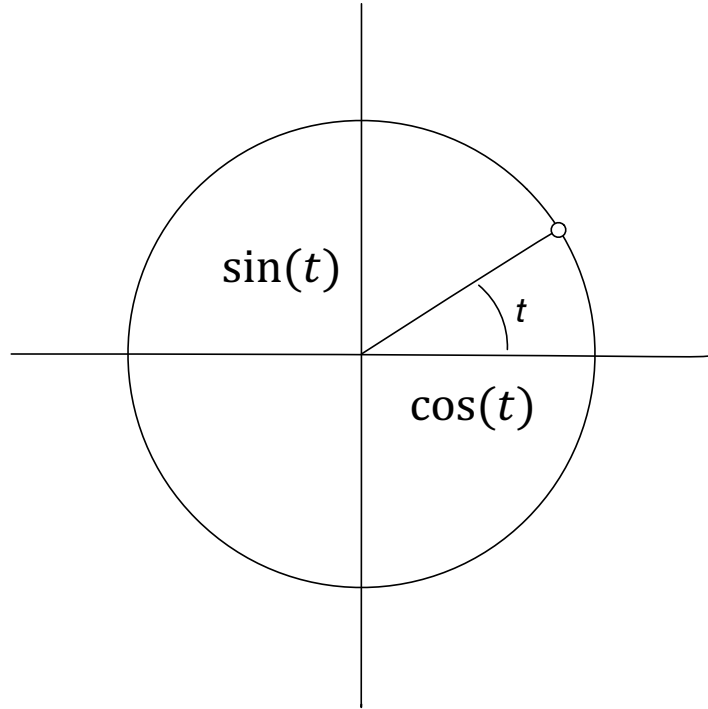
- Blending two arcs
  - Is this a ruled surface?

# Coons patch

- Blend four arbitrary curves
- Here  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$



# Circle with trig: review



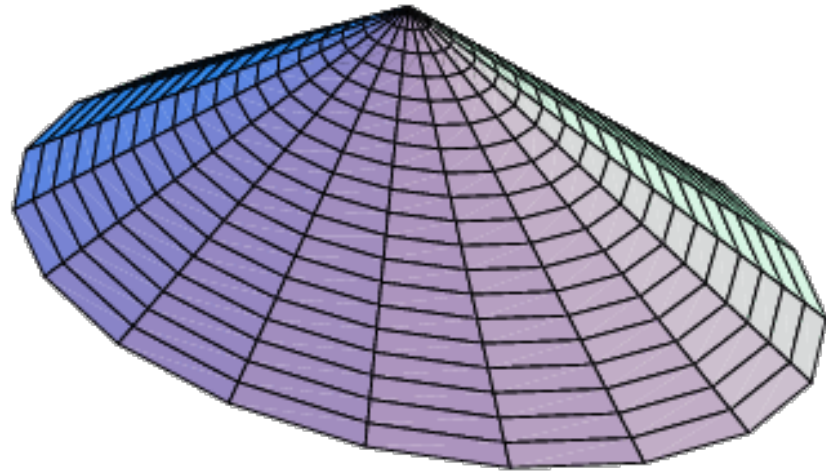
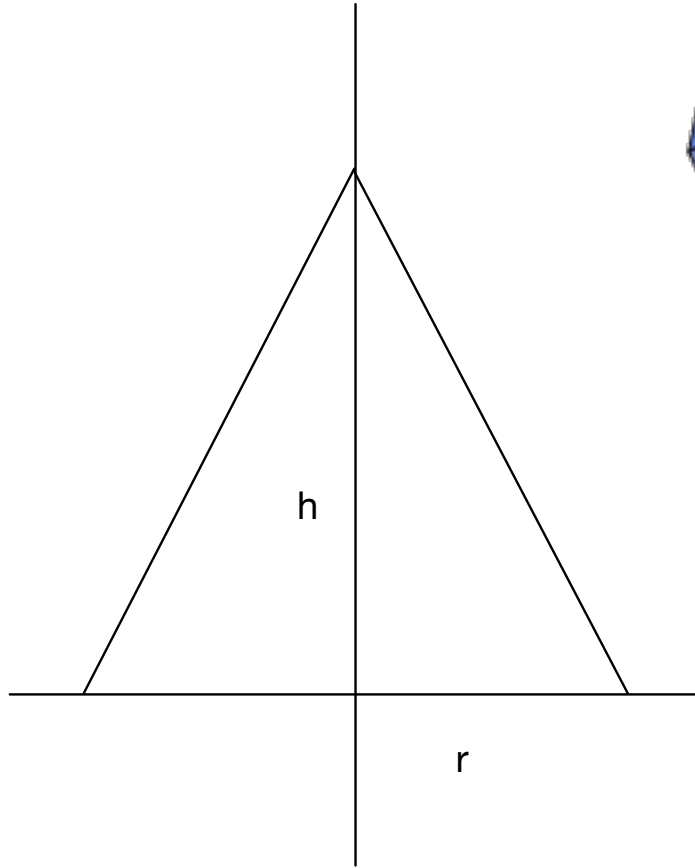
Parametric equation

$$x = R \cos(t)$$

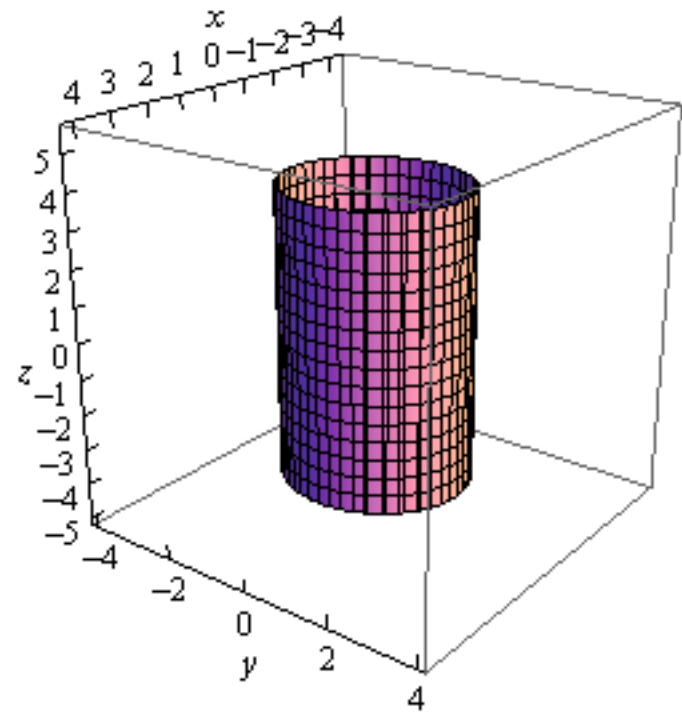
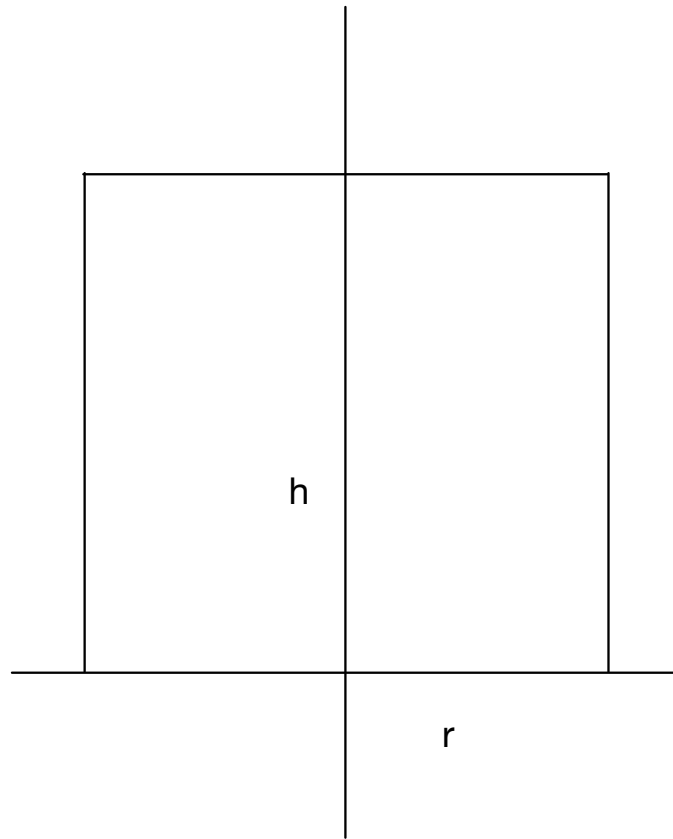
$$y = R \sin(t)$$

$$0 \leq t \leq ??$$

# Parametric cone

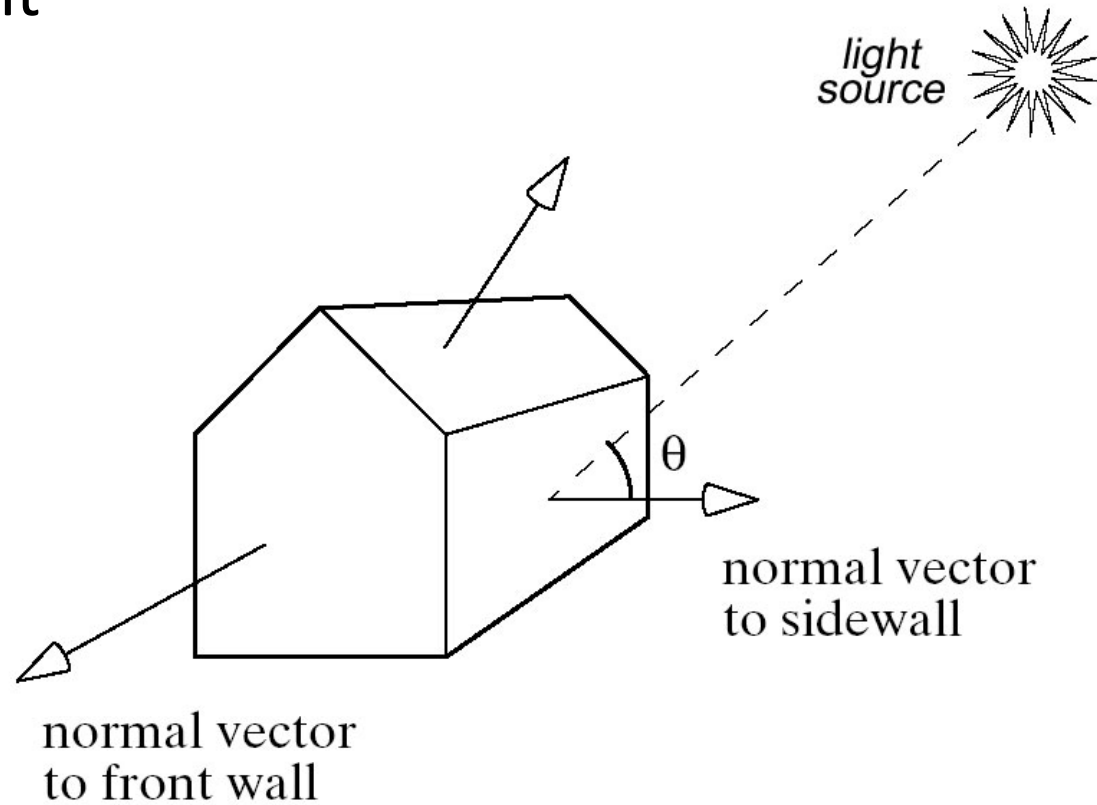


# Parametric cylinder



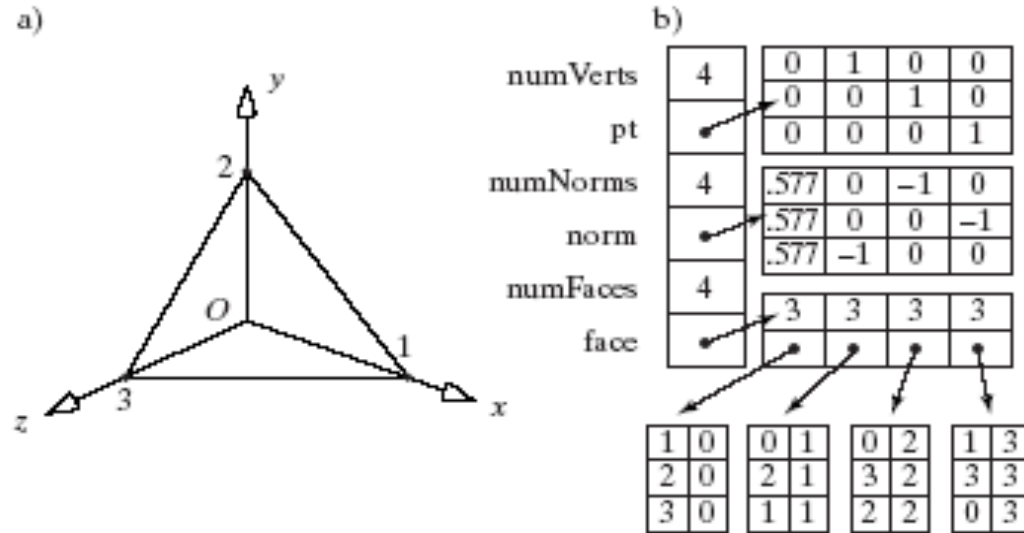
# Rendering faces: need location and normal

- Need distance and orientation relative to lights to compute reflected light



# Polygonal mesh

- Simplest mesh: tetrahedron
- Indexed mesh representation
  - Vertex list
  - Normal list
  - Face list

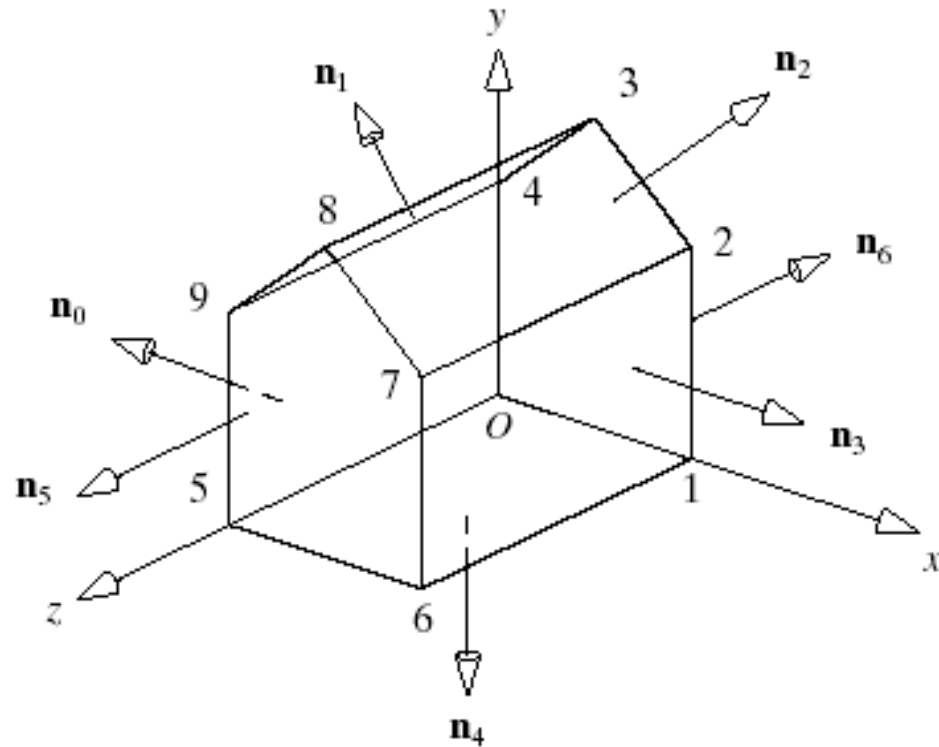


- Non-indexed representation
  - List of faces with repeated vertices



# Polygonal mesh

- Hill's barn
- 10 vertices
- 7 faces
- 7 normals



- STL
  - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/STL \(file format\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/STL_(file_format))
- OBJ
  - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wavefront .obj file](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wavefront_.obj_file)
- Many others