

Course 2D_SL: 2D-Computer Graphics with Silverlight Chapter C5: The Complete Code of PathAnimation



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Install 1) [Visual Web Developer 2008 Express Edition with Service Pack 1 English](#)
and 2) [Silverlight Tools for Visual Studio 2008 SP1](#).

Preliminaries

Guidance for **Visual Web Developer 2008 Express**:

- 1) Main Menu after start of VWD Express: Tools → Options →
check lower left checkbox: Show all Settings →
→ Projects and Solutions → Projects location: → C:\temp.
→ Text Editor (double click) → All Languages (double click) → Tabs →
Indenting: None → Tab size: 2 → Insert spaces.
→ Text Editor (double click) → C# (double click) → Formatting → uncheck all three check boxes → OK.
→ Text Editor (double click) → XAML (double click) → Tabs →
Indenting: None → Tab size: 1, Indent size: 1 → Insert spaces.
→ Text Editor (double click) → XAML (double click) → Formatting →
uncheck all Auto-Formatting Events → OK.
- 2) Main Menu after start of VWD Express: File → New Project... →
Project types: Visual C# (double click) → Silverlight →
Templates: Silverlight Application
Name: SL_path1 → Location: C:\temp\SLProjects →
Create directory for solution: switch off → OK.
An Add Silverlight Application-Window appears.
Choose "Automatically generate a test page to host Silverlight at build time" → OK.

In the Solution Explorer - SL_path1 click the branch Page.xaml.

A split window will appear containing the default xaml code.

Delete this code completely and replace it by the code of **Page.xaml** which follows.

Page.xaml

```
<UserControl
    xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml/presentation"
    xmlns:x="http://schemas.microsoft.com/winfx/2006/xaml"
    x:Class="path1.Page"
    Width="540" Height="225">
<UserControl.Resources>
    <Storyboard x:Name="Storyboard1"/>
</UserControl.Resources>
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<Border BorderBrush="Black" BorderThickness="2">
  <StackPanel Orientation="Vertical">
    <Canvas x:Name="LayoutRoot" Background="Cornsilk" Height="200">
      <Path Data ="M 10,50 h 10 v 100 h 25 v -100                                h 10
        m 10, 0 h 10 l 12.5,100 l 12.5,-100                                h 10
        m 10, 0 h 10 a 12.5,100 0 0 0 25,0                                h 10
        m 10, 0 h 10 q 12.5,100, 25,0                                    h 10
        m 10, 0 h 10 c 0 ,100,25,100,25,0                                h 10
        m 10, 0 h 10 c 0 ,100,25,100,25,0 c 0, 100,25, 100,25,0 h 10
        m 10,50 h 10 c 0 ,100,25,100,25,0 c 0,-100,25,-100,25,0 h 10
        m 10, 0 h 10 c 0 ,100,25,100,25,0 s 25,-100,25,0 h 10"
        x:Name="PathThickBlack" Stroke="Black" StrokeThickness="5"/>
      <Path x:Name="PathThinGreen" Stroke="Green" StrokeThickness="2"
        Loaded="PathThinGreenLoaded">
        <Path.Data>
          <PathGeometry>
            <PathGeometry.Figures>
              <PathFigure StartPoint=" 10 , 50">
                <LineSegment Point=" 20 , 50"/>
                <LineSegment Point=" 20 ,150"/>
                <LineSegment Point=" 45 ,150"/>
                <LineSegment Point=" 45 , 50"/>
                <LineSegment Point=" 55 , 50"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint=" 65 , 50">
                <LineSegment Point=" 75 , 50"/>
                <LineSegment Point=" 87.5,150"/>
                <LineSegment Point="100 , 50"/>
                <LineSegment Point="110 , 50"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint="120 , 50">
                <LineSegment Point="130 , 50"/>
                <ArcSegment Point="155 , 50" Size="12.5,100"/>
                <LineSegment Point="165 , 50"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint="175 , 50">
                <LineSegment Point="185 , 50"/>
                <QuadraticBezierSegment Point1="197.5,150" Point2="210,50"/>
                <LineSegment Point="220 , 50"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint = "230, 50">
                <LineSegment Point = "240, 50"/>
                <BezierSegment Point1="240,150" Point2="265,150" Point3="265,50"/>
                <LineSegment Point = "275, 50"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint = "285, 50">
                <LineSegment Point = "295, 50"/>
                <BezierSegment Point1="295,150" Point2="320,150" Point3="320,50"/>
                <BezierSegment Point1="320,150" Point2="345,150" Point3="345,50"/>
                <LineSegment Point = "355, 50"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint = "365,100">
                <LineSegment Point = "375,100"/>
                <BezierSegment Point1="375,200" Point2="400,200" Point3="400,100"/>
                <BezierSegment Point1="400, 0" Point2="425, 0" Point3="425,100"/>
                <LineSegment Point = "435,100"/>
              </PathFigure>
              <PathFigure StartPoint = "445,100">
                <LineSegment Point = "455,100"/>
                <PolyBezierSegment Points="455,200 480,200 480,100
                  480, 0 505, 0 505,100"/>
                <LineSegment Point = "515,100"/>
              </PathFigure>
            </PathGeometry.Figures>
          </PathGeometry>
        </Path.Data>
      </Path>
    </Canvas>
  </StackPanel>
</Border>

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    <Path x:Name="PathDottedRed" Stroke="Red" StrokeThickness="5"
        Loaded="PathDottedRedLoaded">
        <Path.Data><PathGeometry/></Path.Data>
    </Path>
</Canvas>

<StackPanel Orientation="Horizontal" HorizontalAlignment="Center">
    <Button Content="Start" Click="start_Button_Click"/>
    <Button Content="Stop" Click="stop_Button_Click" />
    <TextBlock Text="Velocity: " VerticalAlignment="Center" Margin="20,0,0,0"/>
    <Slider x:Name="velocity_slider" Width="80"
        Minimum="100" Maximum="4000" IsDirectionReversed="True" Value="1000"
        ValueChanged="VelocitySliderValueChanged"/>
    <CheckBox x:Name="Red_Dots" VerticalAlignment="Center" Margin="20,0,0,0"
        Content = "Red Dots"
        Checked = "ShowDottedRedPath"
        Unchecked="HideDottedRedPath"/>
    <CheckBox x:Name="BlackCurves" VerticalAlignment="Center" Margin="20,0,0,0"
        Content = "Black Curves"
        Checked = "ShowThickBlackPath"
        Unchecked="HideThickBlackPath"/>
</StackPanel>
</StackPanel>

</Border>
</UserControl>

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Page.xaml.cs

```

using System;
using System.Windows;
using System.Windows.Controls;
using System.Windows.Media;
using System.Windows.Media.Animation;
using System.Windows.Shapes;

namespace path1
{
    public partial class Page : UserControl
    {
        { PointCollection pp = new PointCollection();
        public Page()
            { InitializeComponent();
            PathThickBlack.Visibility = Visibility.Collapsed;
            PathDottedRed .Visibility = Visibility.Collapsed;
            }

        //This initial event occurs just once.
        //It copies all 53 vertices to the intermediary dynamic array pp and
        //animates 7 of the 29 segments of PathThinGreen
        //by calling the subroutine add_points_to_pp_and_to_Storyboard1(..)
        private void PathThinGreenLoaded( object sender, EventArgs e )
        { PathGeometry PG = (PathGeometry)PathThinGreen.Data;
          //read curves from XAML and buffer all vertices to pp
          for ( int i=0; i < PG.Figures.Count; i++ )
          { PathFigure PF = PG.Figures[i];
            pp.Add( PF.StartPoint );
            for ( int j=0; j < PF.Segments.Count; j++ )
              add_points_to_pp_and_to_Storyboard1( PF.Segments[j], j, i );
          }
        }
    }
}

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//This initial event occurs just once.
//It creates and animates the tiny red points of PathDottedRed
//It copies any vertex into PathDottedRed and animates the lower vertices by
//calling the subroutine add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1(...)
private void PathDottedRedLoaded( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ PathGeometry PG = (PathGeometry)PathDottedRed.Data;
  //All red "points" are packed inside a Path named PathDottedRed
  //of PathFigures each carrying one tiny horizontal LineSegment
  foreach ( Point p in pp )
  { PathFigure PF = new PathFigure();
    LineSegment LS = new LineSegment();
    PF.StartPoint = new Point( p.X-2, p.Y );
    LS.Point      = new Point( p.X+2, p.Y );
    PF.Segments.Add( LS );
    PG.Figures .Add( PF );
  }
  //This loop animates the lower "red points"
  //Storyboard1 will contain such a lower point triply:
  //1. as animated vertex of PathThinGreen (done by the first initial event handler)
  //2. as animated left  border of a 5-pixel horizontal line of PathDottedRed
  //3. as animated right border of a 5-pixel horizontal line of PathDottedRed
  for ( int i=0; i < pp.Count; i++ )
  { if ( pp[i].Y > 100 )
    { //The LineSegments have a start and an end point with a horizontal distance = 5
      Point p_left  = new Point( pp[i].X-2, pp[i].Y );
      Point p_right = new Point( pp[i].X+2, pp[i].Y );
      String s1 = "(Path.Data).(PathGeometry.Figures)[" +
                  i.ToString() + "].(PathFigure.StartPoint)";
      String s2 = "(Path.Data).(PathGeometry.Figures)[" +
                  i.ToString() + "].(PathFigure.Segments)[0].(LineSegment.Point)";
      add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( PathDottedRed, p_left , s1 );
      add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( PathDottedRed, p_right, s2 );
    }
  }
}

//This subroutine is called from the initial event handler PathThinGreen
//It adds any vertex to the intermediary dynamic array pp and
//animates 7 of the 29 segments of PathThinGreen
private void add_points_to_pp_and_to_Storyboard1( PathSegment PS, int NoOfPS, int NoOfPF )
{ String s1 = "(Path.Data).(PathGeometry.Figures)[" + NoOfPF.ToString() +
              "].(PathFigure.Segments)[" + NoOfPS.ToString() + "].";
  String s; //complete PropertyPath-string aimed to feed Storyboard.SetTargetProperty(...)
  Point p;
  if ( PS.GetType() == typeof(LineSegment) )
  { p = ((LineSegment)PS).Point; pp.Add( p );
    if ( p.Y > 100 )
    { s = s1 + "(LineSegment.Point)";
      add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( PathThinGreen, p, s );
    }
  }
  else if ( PS.GetType() == typeof(ArcSegment) )
  { ArcSegment AS = ((ArcSegment)PS);
    p = new Point( AS.Point.X-AS.Size.Width, AS.Point.Y+AS.Size.Height );
    pp.Add( p );
    //The Size.Height property of an ArcSegment cannot be animated
  }
  else if ( PS.GetType() == typeof(QuadraticBezierSegment) )
  { p = ((QuadraticBezierSegment)PS).Point1; pp.Add( p );
    if ( p.Y > 100 )
    { s = s1 + "(QuadraticBezierSegment.Point1)";
      add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( PathThinGreen, p, s );
    }
    p = ((QuadraticBezierSegment)PS).Point2; pp.Add( p );
  }
}

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else if ( PS.GetType() == typeof(BezierSegment) )
{ p = ((BezierSegment)PS).Point1; pp.Add( p );
  if ( p.Y > 100 )
  { s = s1 + "(BezierSegment.Point1)";
    add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( PathThinGreen, p, s );
  }
  p = ((BezierSegment)PS).Point2; pp.Add( p );
  if ( p.Y > 100 )
  { s = s1 + "(BezierSegment.Point2)";
    add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( PathThinGreen, p, s );
  }
  p = ((BezierSegment)PS).Point3; pp.Add( p );
}
else if ( PS.GetType() == typeof(PolyBezierSegment) )
  foreach ( Point point in ((PolyBezierSegment)PS).Points ) pp.Add( point );
  //Points inside a PolyBezierSegment cannot be animated
}

//This subroutine is called from add_points_to_pp_and_to_Storyboard1(...) and
//directly from the second initial event handler PathDottedRedLoaded(...)
//It sets the common properties that all 42 animations share.
private void add_a_PointAnimation_to_Storyboard1( Path path, Point p, string s )
{ PointAnimation PA = new PointAnimation();
  PA.To = new Point ( p.X, p.Y-150 );
  PA.Duration = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds( 1000 );
  PA.AutoReverse = true;
  PA.RepeatBehavior = RepeatBehavior.Forever;
  Storyboard.SetTarget          ( PA, path );
  Storyboard.SetTargetProperty( PA, new PropertyPath( s ) );
  Storyboard1.Children.Add      ( PA );
}

private void start_Button_Click( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ Storyboard1.Begin(); }

private void stop_Button_Click( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ Storyboard1.Stop(); }

private void ShowDottedRedPath( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ PathDottedRed.Visibility = Visibility.Visible; }

private void HideDottedRedPath( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ PathDottedRed.Visibility = Visibility.Collapsed; }

private void ShowThickBlackPath( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ PathThickBlack.Visibility = Visibility.Visible; }

private void HideThickBlackPath( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ PathThickBlack.Visibility = Visibility.Collapsed; }

private void VelocitySliderValueChanged( object sender, EventArgs e )
{ double millisec = 1000;
  try { millisec = velocity_slider.Value; } catch { return; }
  foreach ( PointAnimation PA in Storyboard1.Children )
    PA.Duration = TimeSpan.FromMilliseconds( millisec );
} //end of private void on_velocity_slider_value_changed( ... )
} //end of class Page
} //end of namespace

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