# RhinoScript 101 Creativity

"or how to do interesting things that are not easy to do with the mouse"

### Nevermind the code...

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Option Explicit 'nevermind this, just make sure that your scripts always start With it DrawCurve 'this tells the program what subroutine To run

Sub DrawCurve 'this Is the code To Execute when "DrawCurve" Is called above Call Rhino.enableRedraw(False) 'nevermind this, it speeds up the execution of the code Dim controlpoints(1) 'controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)

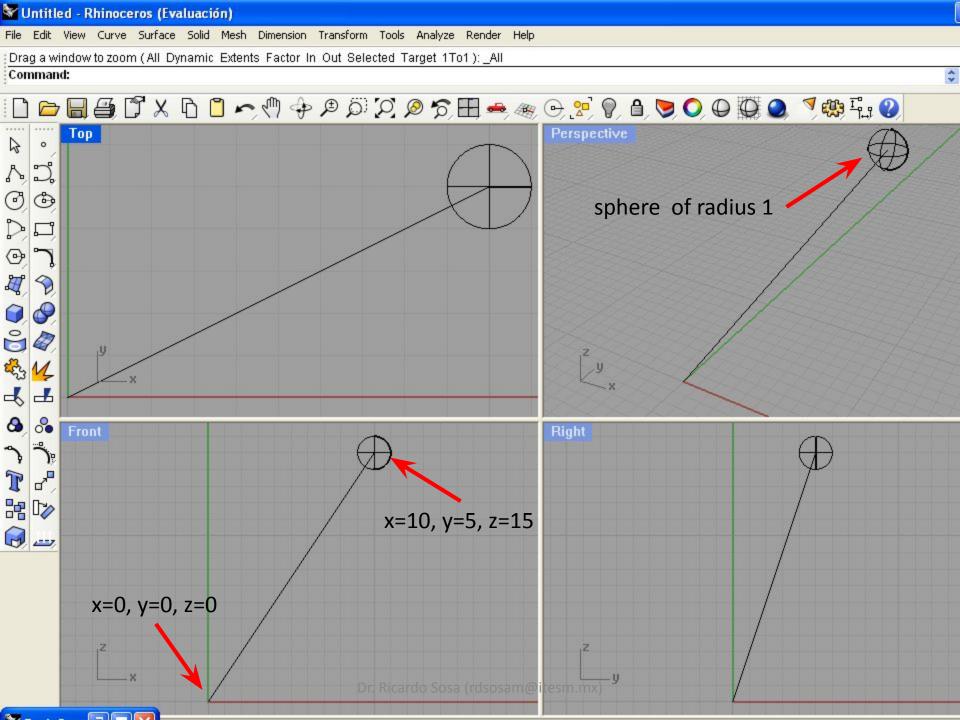
controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) 
$$'$$
 x = 0, y = 0, z = 0 controlpoints(1) = Array(10,5,15)  $'$  x = 10, y = 5, z = 15

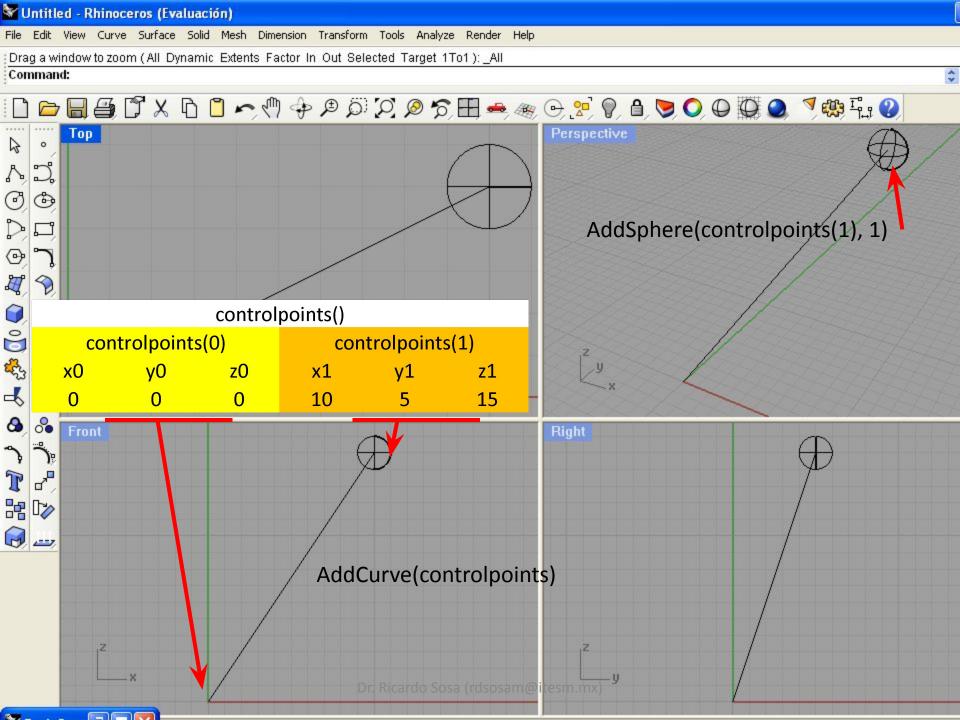
Rhino.Print ("Curve ID: " + Rhino.AddCurve(controlpoints)) ' this draws the curve and prints its I.D. Rhino.Print ("Sphere ID: " + Rhino.AddSphere (controlpoints(1), 1)) ' this draws a sphere and prints its I.D.

Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen Rhino.ZoomExtents 'and this adjusts the zoom level

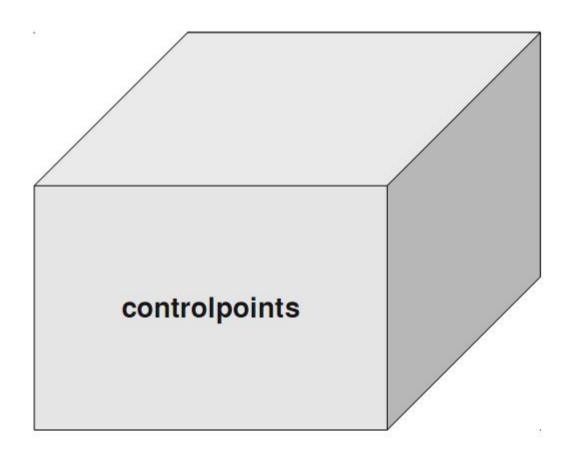
End Sub 'this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine

<sup>&#</sup>x27;This Is a basic script To draw a curve with fixed coordinates (Not very useful, but a good starting point)

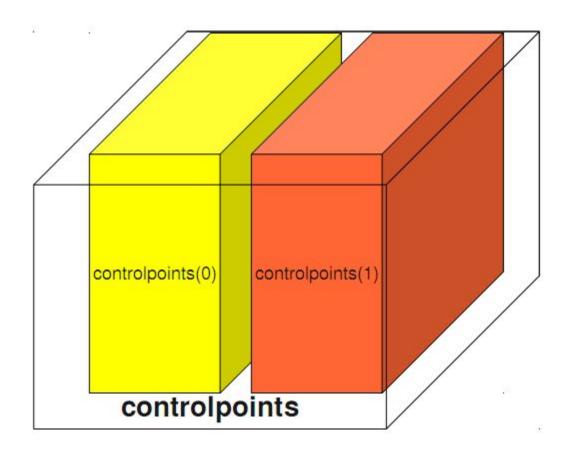




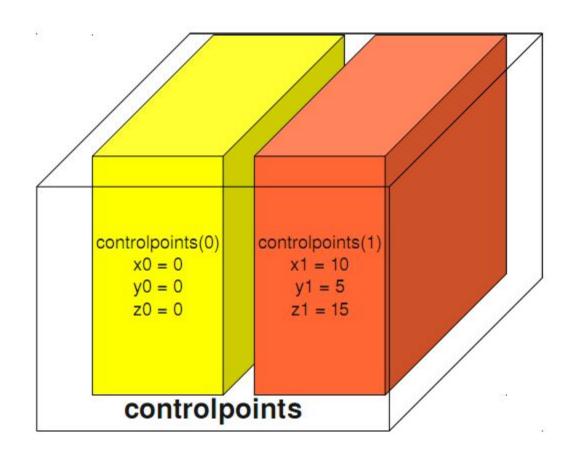
# Hold on! What's an "array"?



# An array is like a box



## A box that holds 3D coordinates



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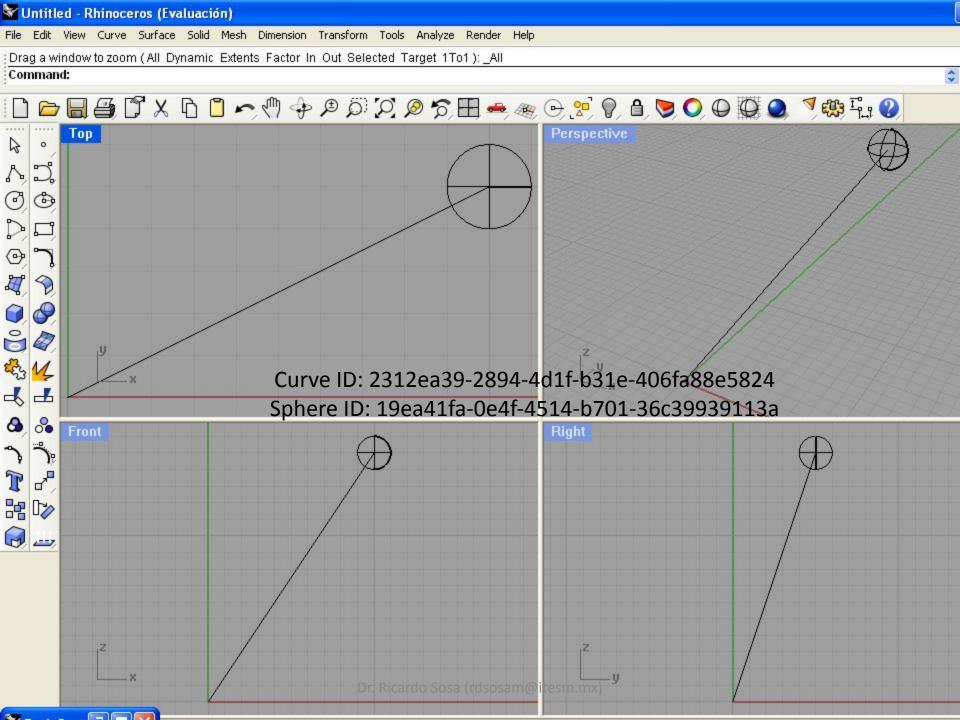
Dim controlpoints(1) controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)

controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) 
$$| x = 0, y = 0, z = 0$$
  
controlpoints(1) = Array(10,5,15)  $| y = 10, y = 5, z = 15$ 

Rhino.Print ("Curve ID: " + Rhino.AddCurve(controlpoints)) ' this draws the curve and prints its I.D. Rhino.Print ("Sphere (D: " + Rhino.AddSphere (controlpoints(1), 1)) ' this draws a sphere and its I.D.

Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen Rhino.ZoomExtents 'and this adjusts the zoom level

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## Now some randomness...

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Call Rhino.enableRedraw(False) ' nevermind this, it speeds up the execution of the code

Dim controlpoints(1) ' controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)

controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) ' x = 0, y = 0, z = 0

controlpoints(1) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),15) ' x = random, y = random, z = 15

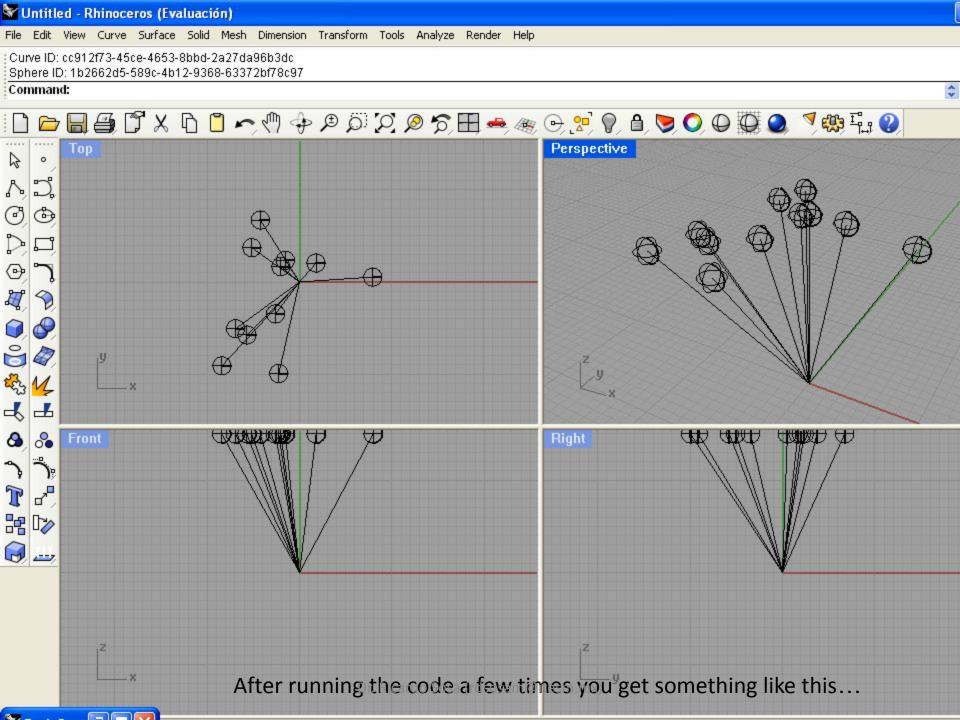
Rhino.Print ("Curve ID: " + Rhino.AddCurve(controlpoints(1), 1) ) ' this draws the curve and prints its I.D.

Rhino.Print ("Sphere ID: " + Rhino.AddSphere (controlpoints(1), 1) ) ' this draws a sphere and its I.D.

Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) ' nevermind this, it refreshes the screen

Rhino.ZoomExtents ' and this adjusts the zoom level

End Sub ' this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine
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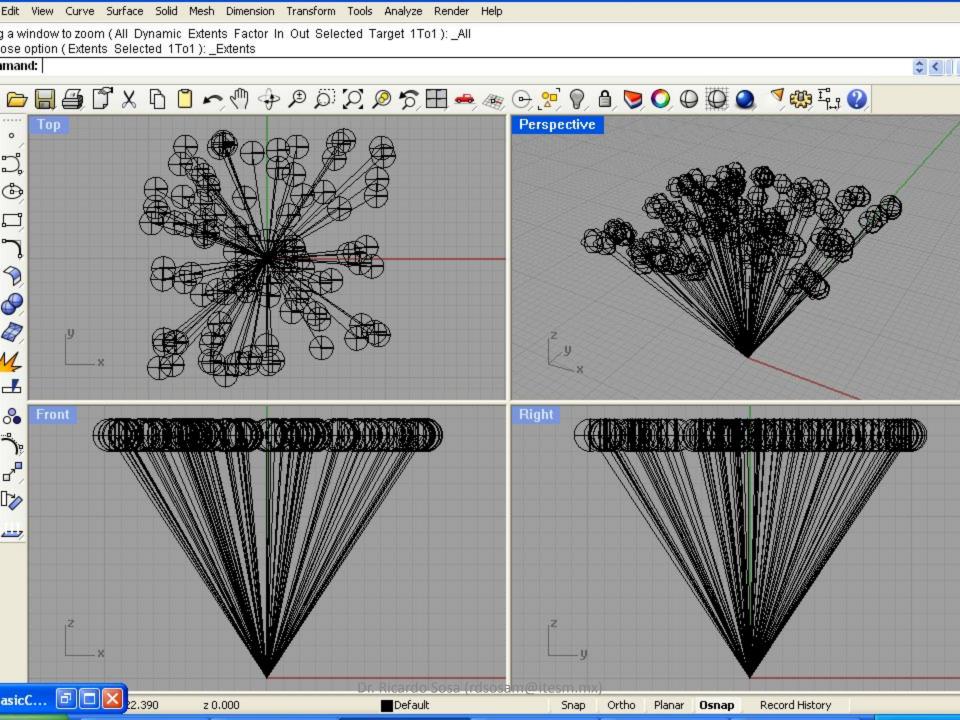


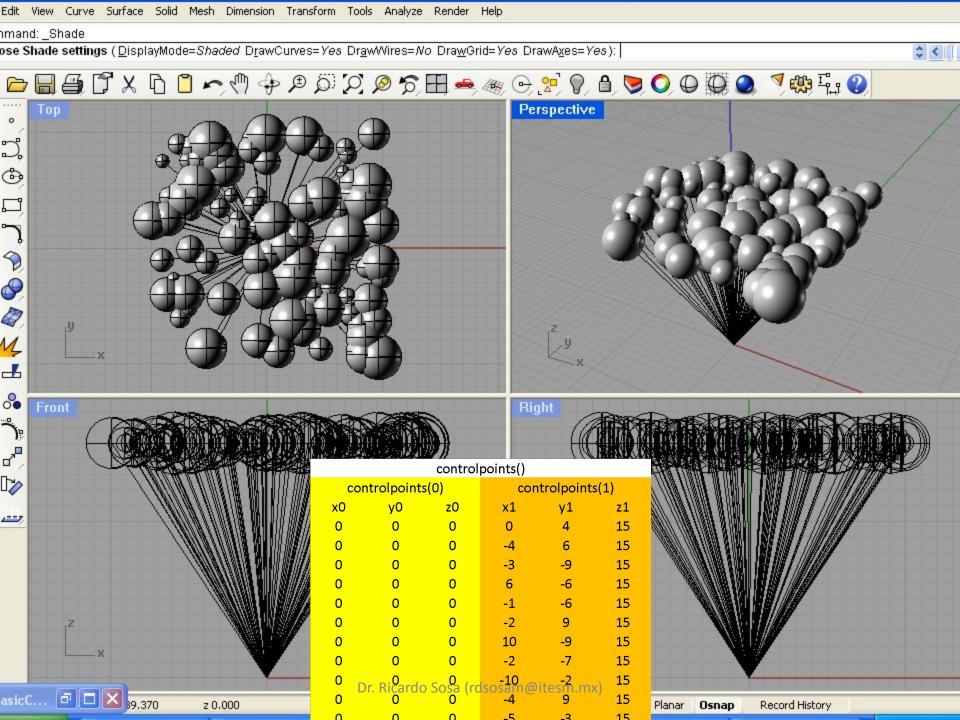
### Now some recursion...

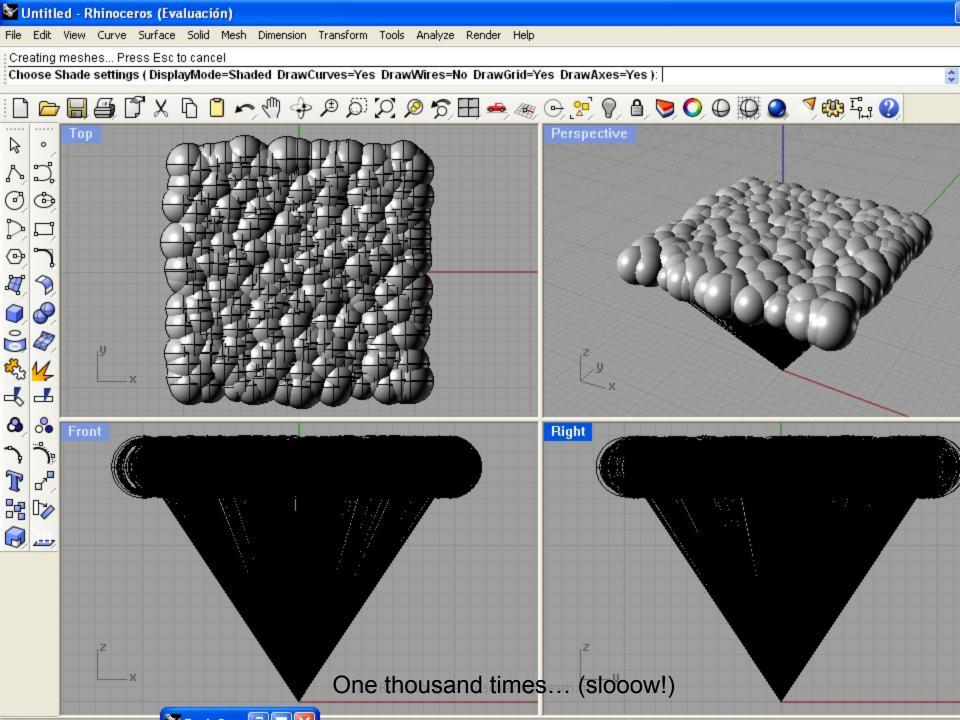
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DrawCurve 'this tells the program what subroutine to run
Sub DrawCurve 'this is the code to run when "DrawCurve" is called above
     Call Rhino.enableRedraw(False) 'nevermind this, it speeds up the execution of the code
     Dim controlpoints(1) 'controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)
     Dim i
     For i=0 To 100
      controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) ' x = 0, y = 0, z = 0
      controlpoints(1) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),15) 'x = random, y = random, z = 15
      Rhino.AddCurve controlpoints 'this draws the curve
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(1), 1 'this draws a sphere
     Nevt
     Call Rhino enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen
 Rhino.ZoomExtents ' and this adjusts the zoom level
End Sub 'this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine
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Function randomBetween(min,max) 'this is the code to generate random numbers between limits randomBetween = Rnd\*(max-min)+min 'returns a random number between the limits specified

End Function 'end of the randomness function

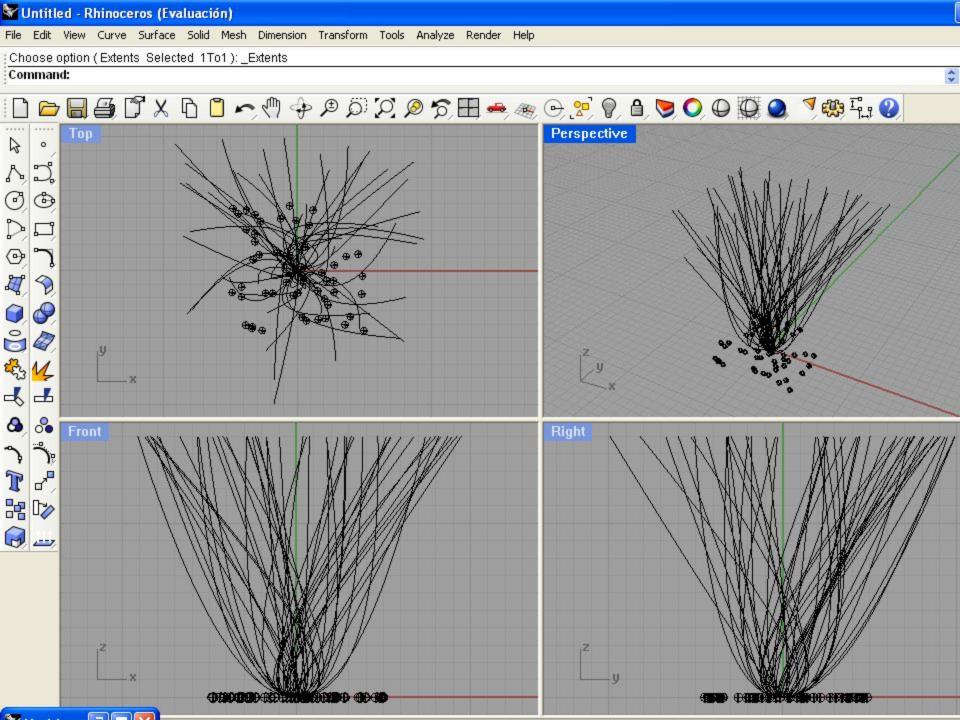


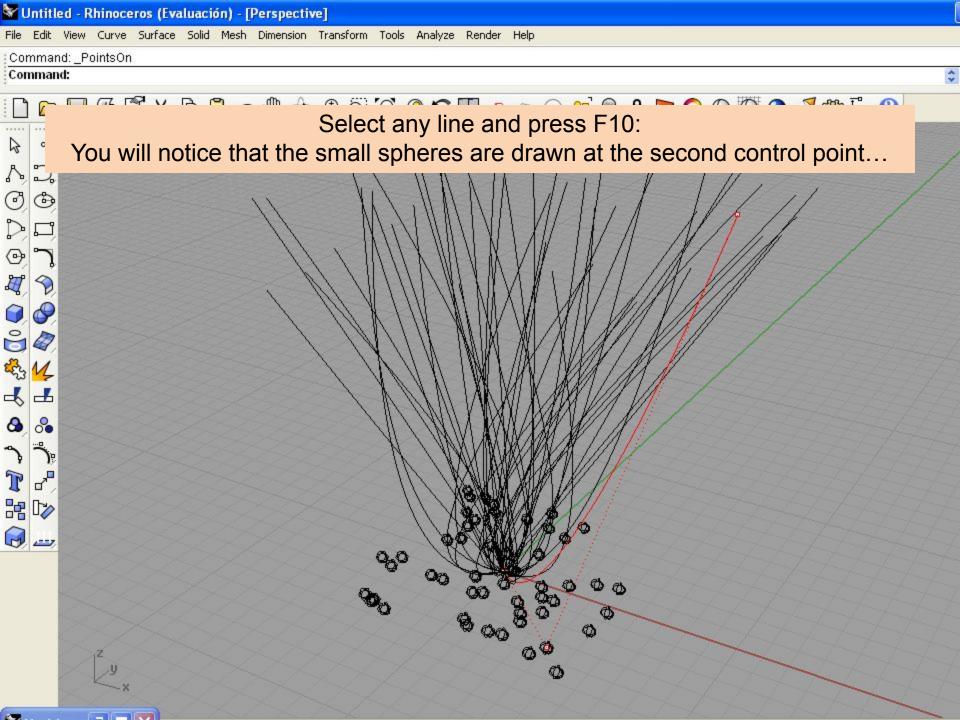




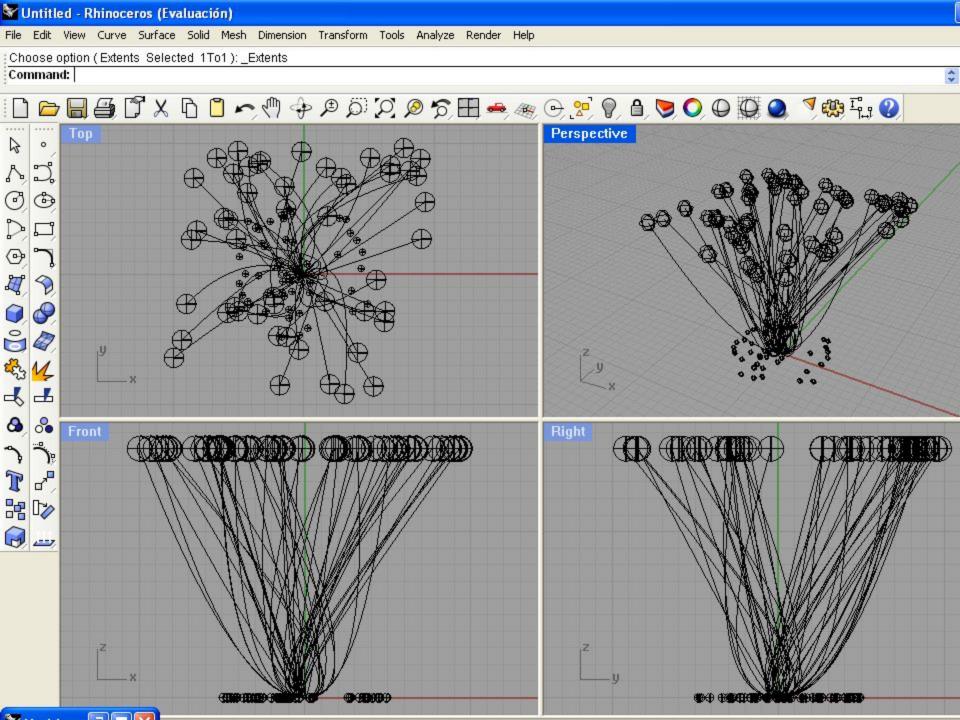
## More interesting curves...

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DrawCurve 'this tells the program what subroutine to run
Sub DrawCurve 'this is the code to run when "DrawCurve" is called above
     Call Rhino.enableRedraw(False) 'nevermind this, it speeds up the execution of the code
     Dim controlpoints(2), i 'controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)
     For i=0 To 50
      controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) ' x = 0, y = 0, z = 0
      controlpoints(1) = Array(randomBetween(-5,5),randomBetween(-5,5),0)
      controlpoints(2) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),15)
      Rhino.AddCurve controlpoints, 2 ' this draws the curve of two degrees now
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(1), 0.25 'this draws a small sphere at second point
     Next
     Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen
 Rhino.ZoomExtents ' and this adjusts the zoom level
End Sub 'this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine
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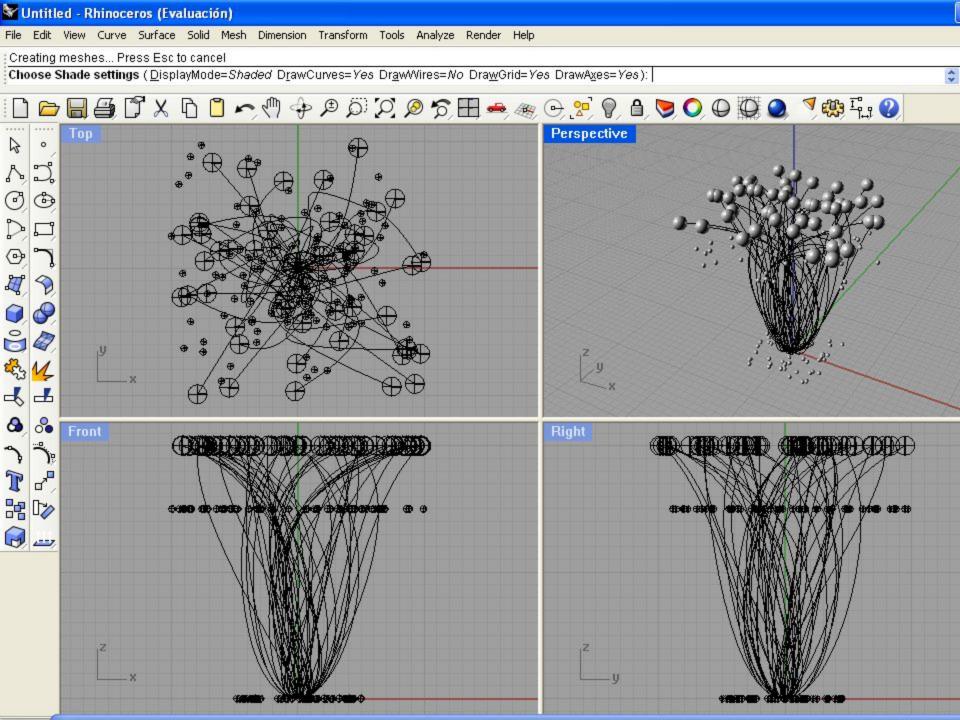


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    Dim controlpoints(2), i 'controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)
    For i=0 To 50
      controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) ' x = 0, y = 0, z = 0
      controlpoints(1) = Array(randomBetween(-5,5),randomBetween(-5,5),0)
      controlpoints(2) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),15)
      Rhino.AddCurve controlpoints, 2 ' this draws the curve
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(1), 0.25 'this draws a small sphere at second point
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(2), 0.75 'this draws a big sphere at third point
    Next
    Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen
 Rhino.ZoomExtents ' and this adjusts the zoom level
End Sub 'this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine
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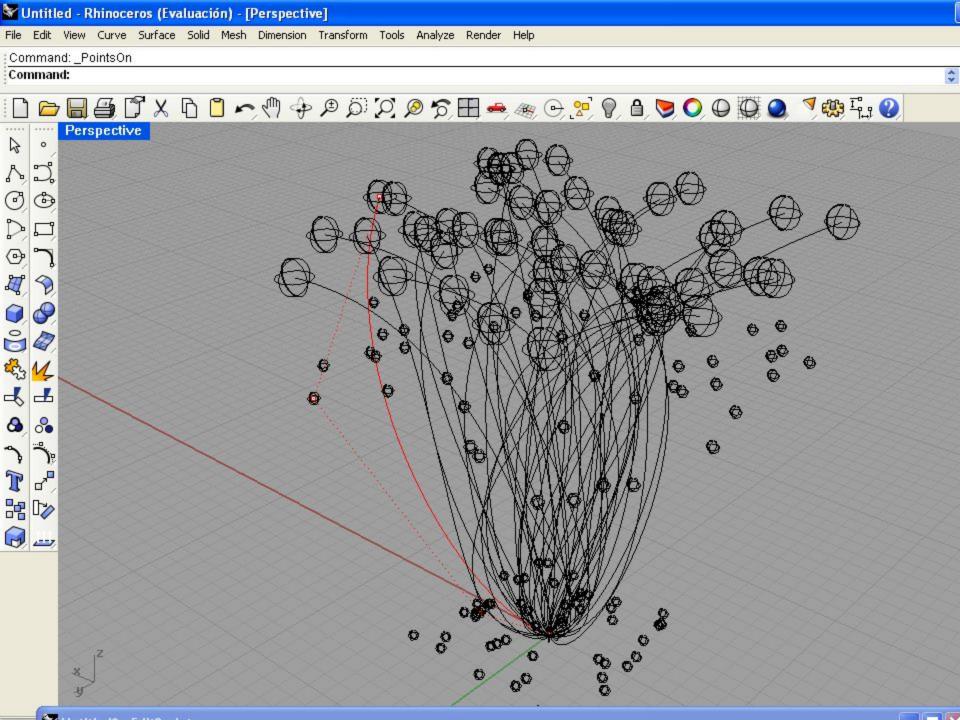


## Time for a challenge...

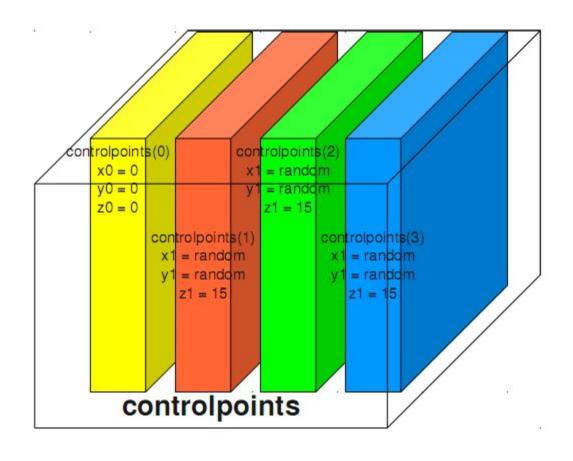
How do you achieve the following?



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Sub DrawCurve 'this is the code to run when "DrawCurve" is called above
    Call Rhino.enableRedraw(False) 'nevermind this, it speeds up the execution of the code
    Dim controlpoints(3), i 'controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)
    For i=0 To 50
      controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) ' x = 0, y = 0, z = 0
      controlpoints(1) = Array(randomBetween(-5,5),randomBetween(-5,5),0)
      controlpoints(2) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),15)
      controlpoints(3) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),20)
      Rhino.AddCurve controlpoints, 3 ' this draws the curve
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(1), 0.25 'this draws a small sphere at second point
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(2), 0.25 'this draws a big sphere at third point
      Rhino.AddSphere controlpoints(3), 0.75 'this draws a big sphere at third point
    Next
    Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen
 Rhino.ZoomExtents ' and this adjusts the zoom level
End Sub 'this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine
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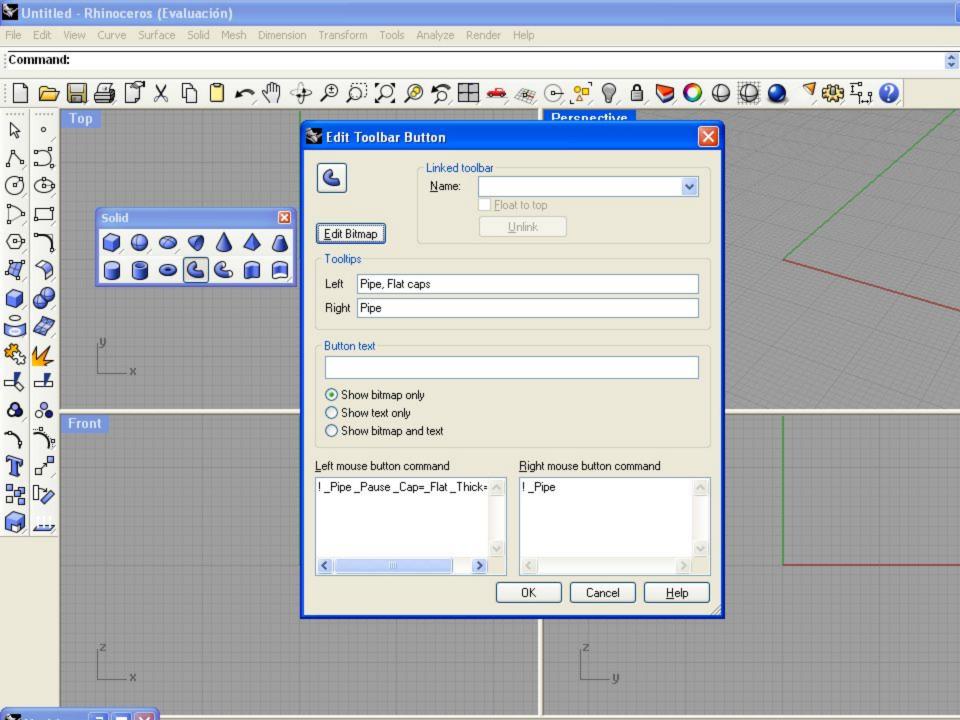


### Add another set of coordinates...

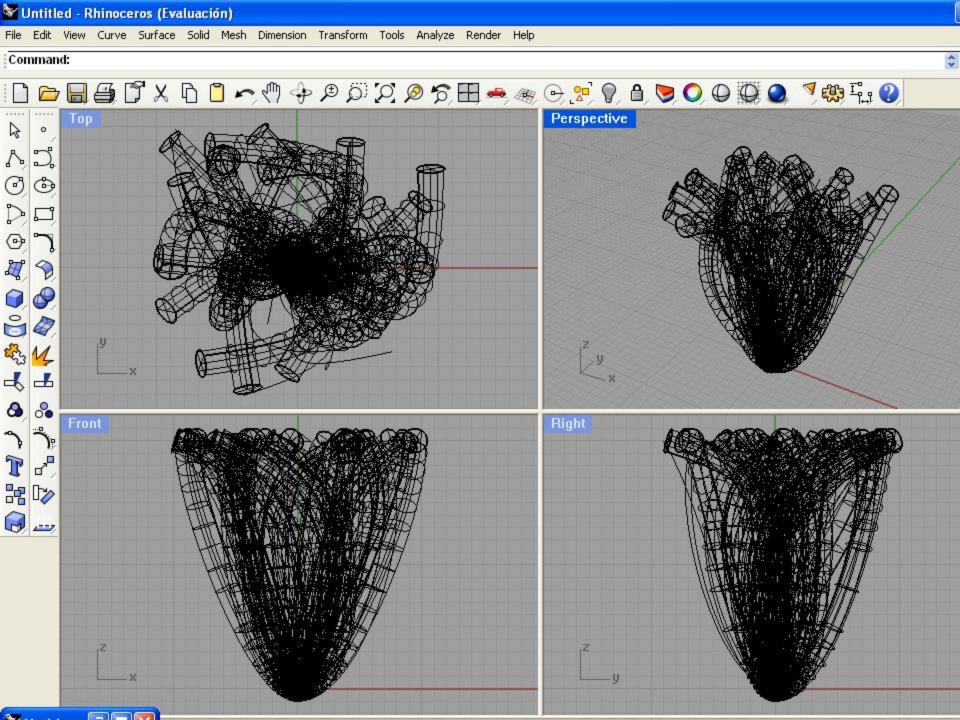


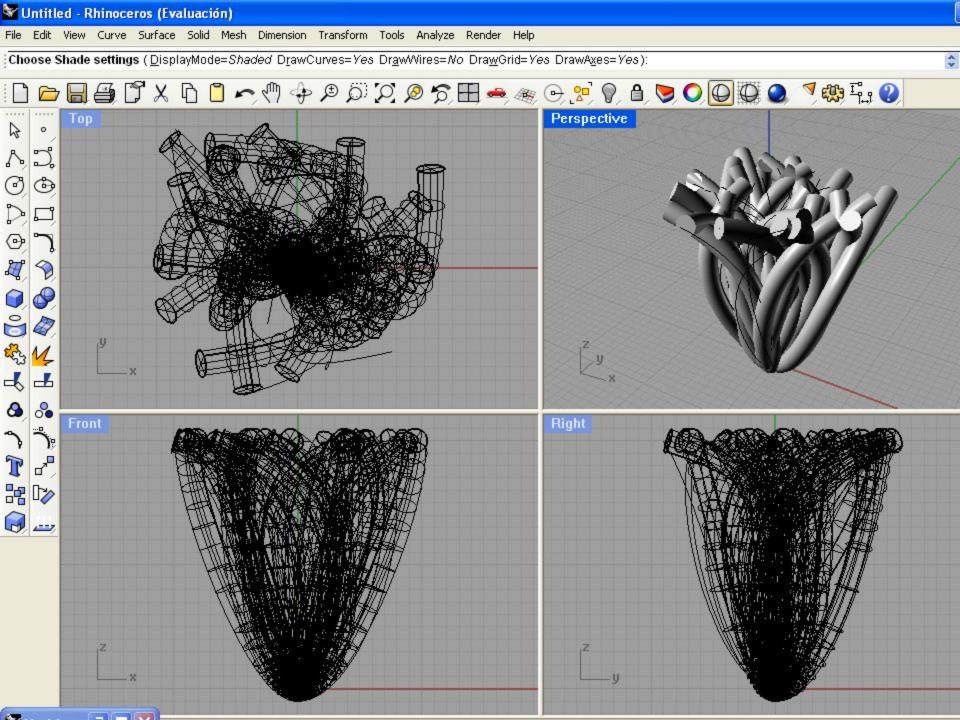
# Rhino.Command "anycommand"

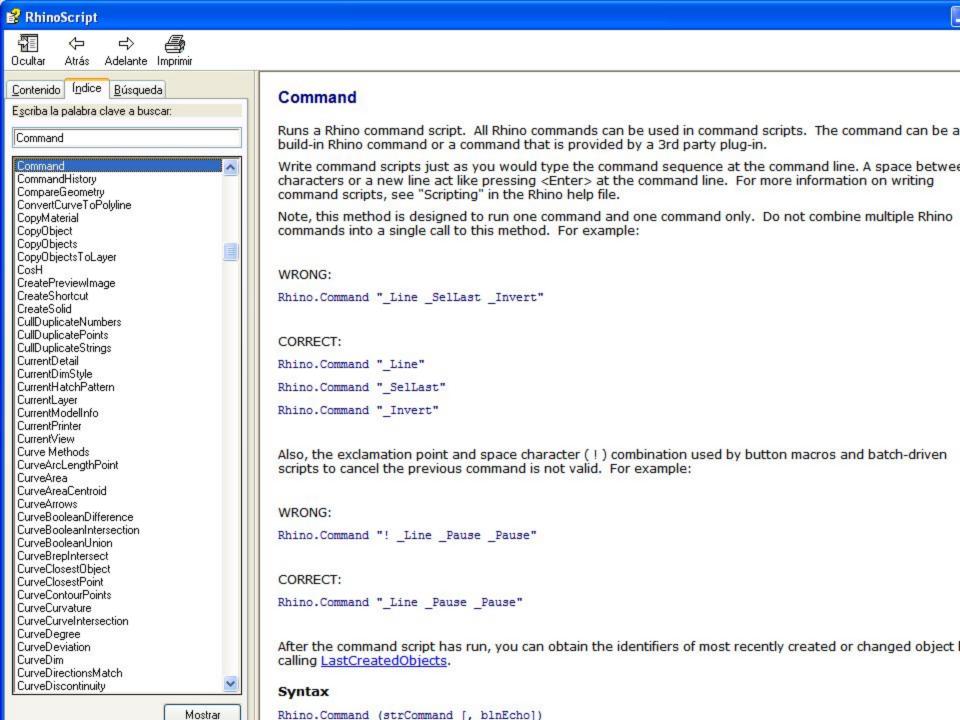
Shift + Rightclick any tool icon to see its Command



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Sub DrawCurve 'this is the code to run when "DrawCurve" is called above
    Call Rhino.enableRedraw(False) 'nevermind this, it speeds up the execution of the code
    Dim controlpoints(3), i 'controlpoints is an array of 3-D points (see next slide)
    Dim strCmd, curveID
    For i=0 To 50
     controlpoints(0) = Array(0,0,0) ' x = 0, y = 0, z = 0
      controlpoints(1) = Array(randomBetween(-5,5),randomBetween(-5,5),0)
      controlpoints(2) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),15)
      controlpoints(3) = Array(randomBetween(-10,10),randomBetween(-10,10),20)
      curveID = Rhino.AddCurve(controlpoints, 3) 'this draws the curve
      Rhino.SelectObject(curveID)
      Rhino.Command "_Pipe " & 1.0 & " Enter " & 1.0 & " Enter"
    Next
    Call Rhino.enableRedraw(True) 'nevermind this, it refreshes the screen
 Rhino.ZoomExtents ' and this adjusts the zoom level
End Sub 'this is the end of the "DrawCurve" subroutine
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# After you add a curve, select it with: Rhino.SelectObject(curveID)

Then apply the command:

Rhino.Command "\_Pipe " & 1.0 & " Enter " & 1.0 & " Enter"

#### Due next class...

Do something interesting of your own!