

# B-spline curve

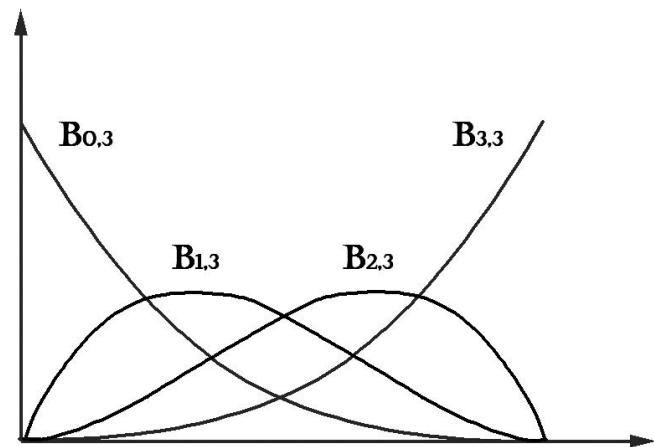
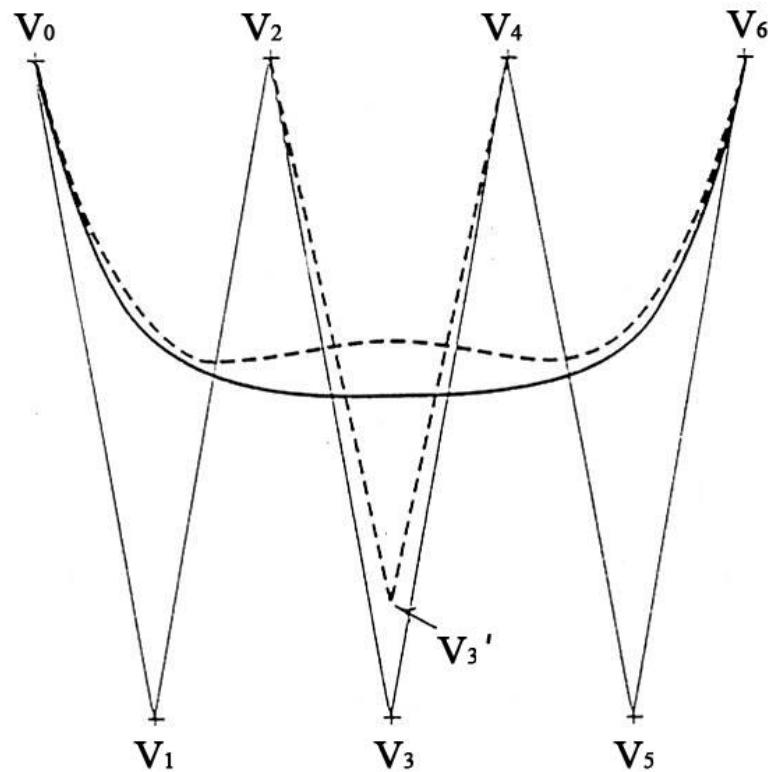
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# Properties of B-spline curves

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- ▶ B-spline curve:
  - ▶ Degree of curve is independent of number of control points
- ▶ Bezier curve: global modification
  - ▶ Modification of any one control point changes the curve shape everywhere
  - ▶ All the blending functions have non-zero value in the whole interval  $0 \leq u \leq 1$

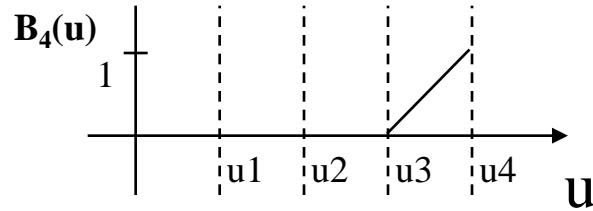
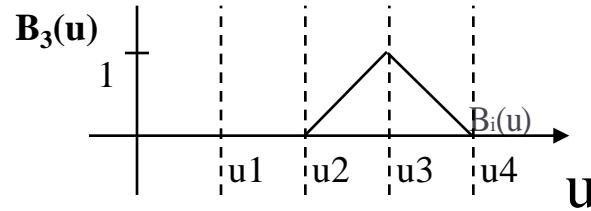
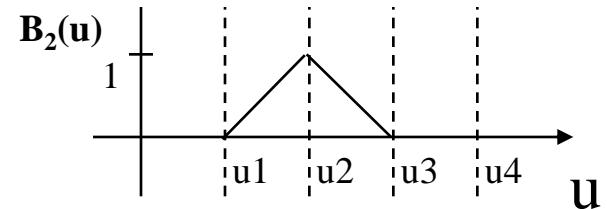
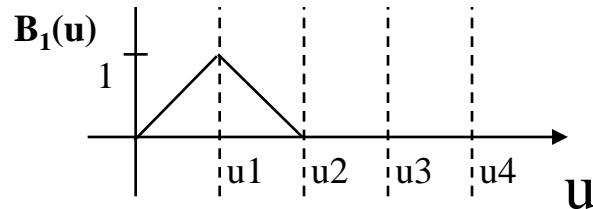
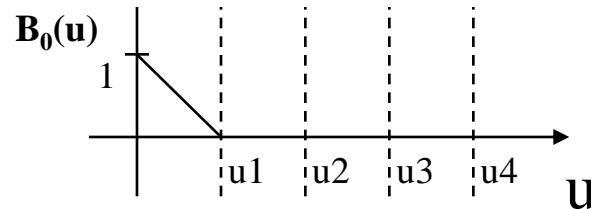
# Bezier curve: global modification



Bezier curve of degree 3

# Desired Blending Function

Consider degree 1 blending functions, and  $n=4$



$$P(u) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_i B_i(u)$$

$P_0$	has an effect only for	$0 \leq u \leq u_1$
$P_1$	has an effect only for	$0 \leq u \leq u_2$
$P_2$	has an effect only for	$u_1 \leq u \leq u_3$
$P_3$	has an effect only for	$u_2 \leq u \leq u_4$
$P_4$	has an effect only for	$u_3 \leq u \leq u_4$

# Resulting Curve

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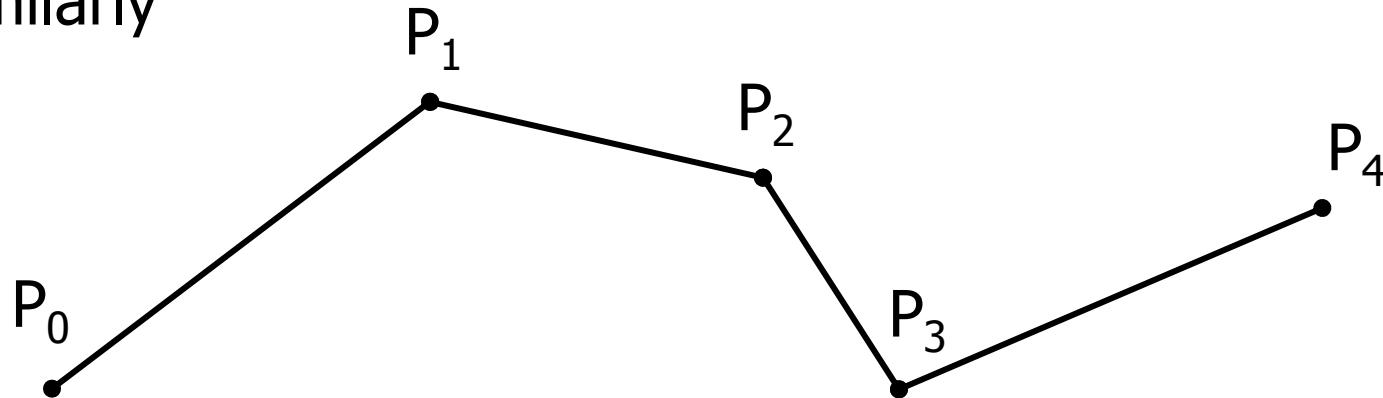
For  $0 \leq u \leq u_1$   $\mathbf{P}(u) = \mathbf{P}_0 B_0(u) + \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{B}_1(u) = \mathbf{P}_0(1-u) + \mathbf{P}_1 u$

... straight line from  $P_0$  to  $P_1$

For  $u_1 \leq u \leq u_2$   $\mathbf{P}(u) = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{B}_1(u) + \mathbf{P}_2 \mathbf{B}_2(u) = \mathbf{P}_1(2-u) + \mathbf{P}_2(u-1)$

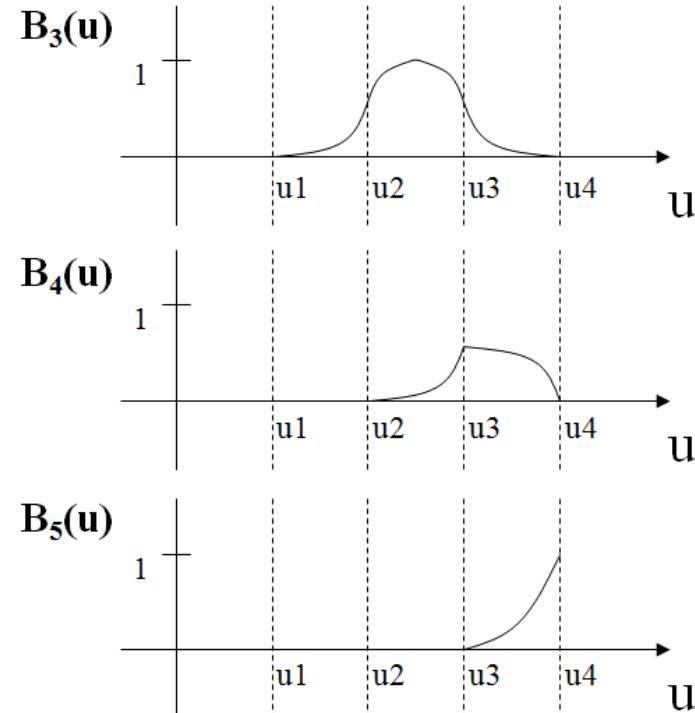
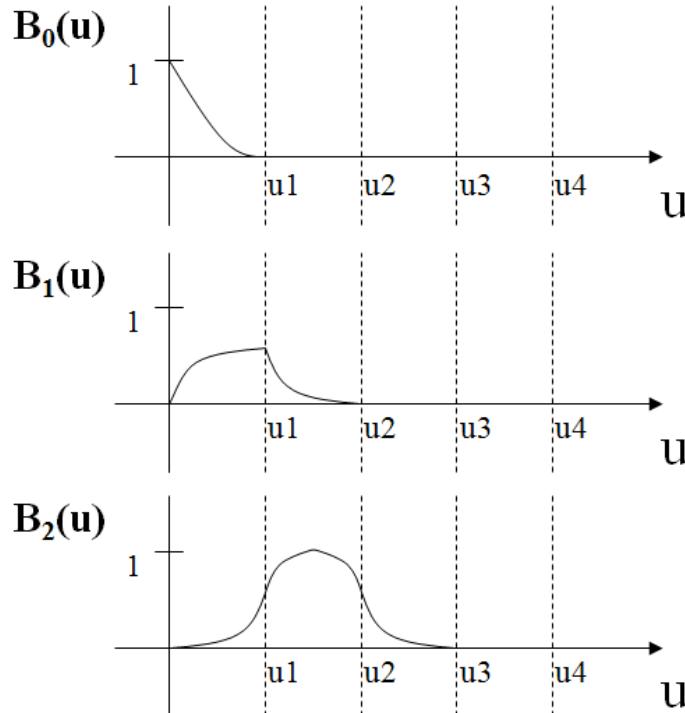
... straight line from  $P_1$  to  $P_2$

Similarly



# Blending Function

Consider degree 2 blending functions, and  $n=5$



$P_0$  has an effect only for  $0 \leq u \leq u_1$

$P_2$  has an effect only for  $0 \leq u \leq u_3$

$P_4$  has an effect only for  $u_2 \leq u \leq u_4$

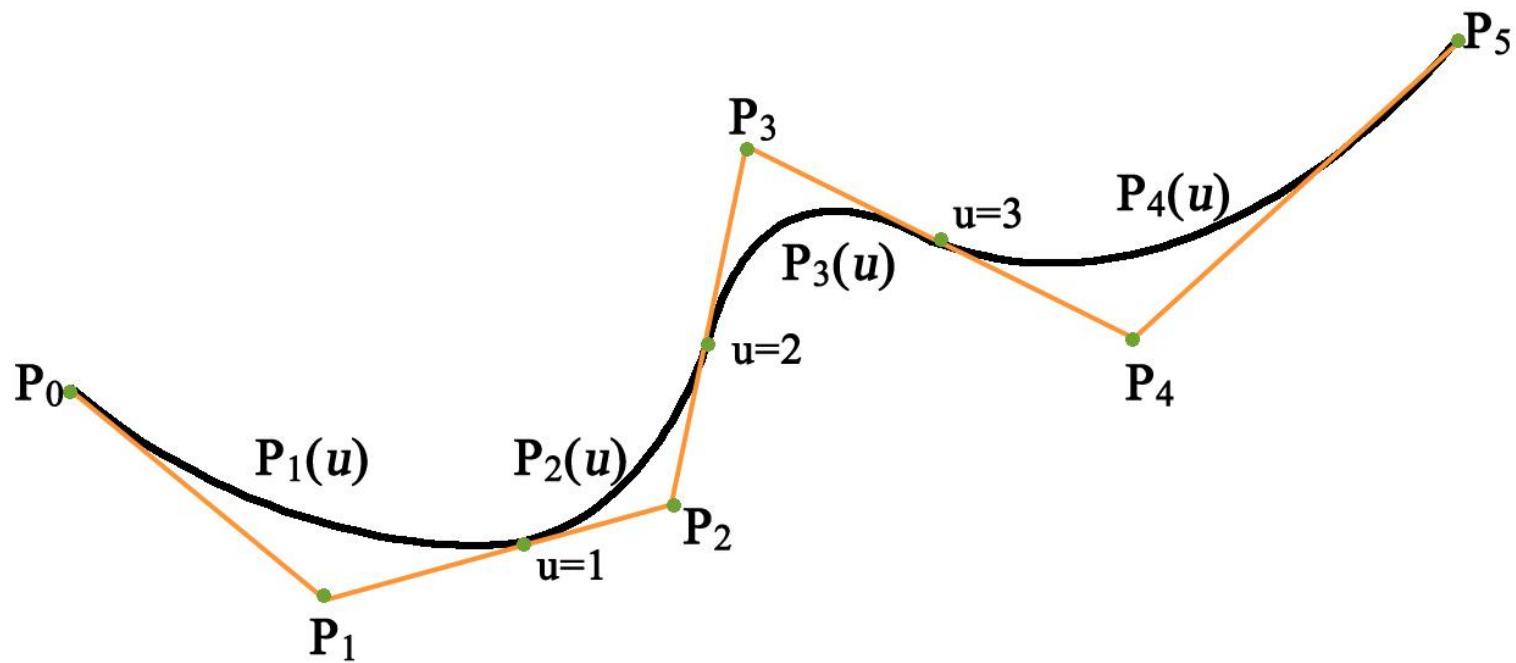
$P_1$  has an effect only for  $0 \leq u \leq u_2$

$P_3$  has an effect only for  $u_1 \leq u \leq u_4$

$P_5$  has an effect only for  $u_3 \leq u \leq u_4$

# Resulting Curve

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# B-spline curve equation – cont'

$$\mathbf{P}(u) = \sum_{i=0}^n \mathbf{P}_i N_{i,k}(u) \quad t_{k-1} \leq u \leq t_{n+1} \quad (a)$$

$$N_{i,k}(u) = \frac{(u - t_i) N_{i,k-1}(u)}{t_{i+k-1} - t_i} + \frac{(t_{i+k} - u) N_{i+1,k-1}(u)}{t_{i+k} - t_{i+1}} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 = 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (b)$$

$$N_{i,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & t_i \leq u < t_{i+1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \rightarrow \text{At any value of } u, \text{ there should be only one non-zero } N_{i,1}(u) \quad (c)$$

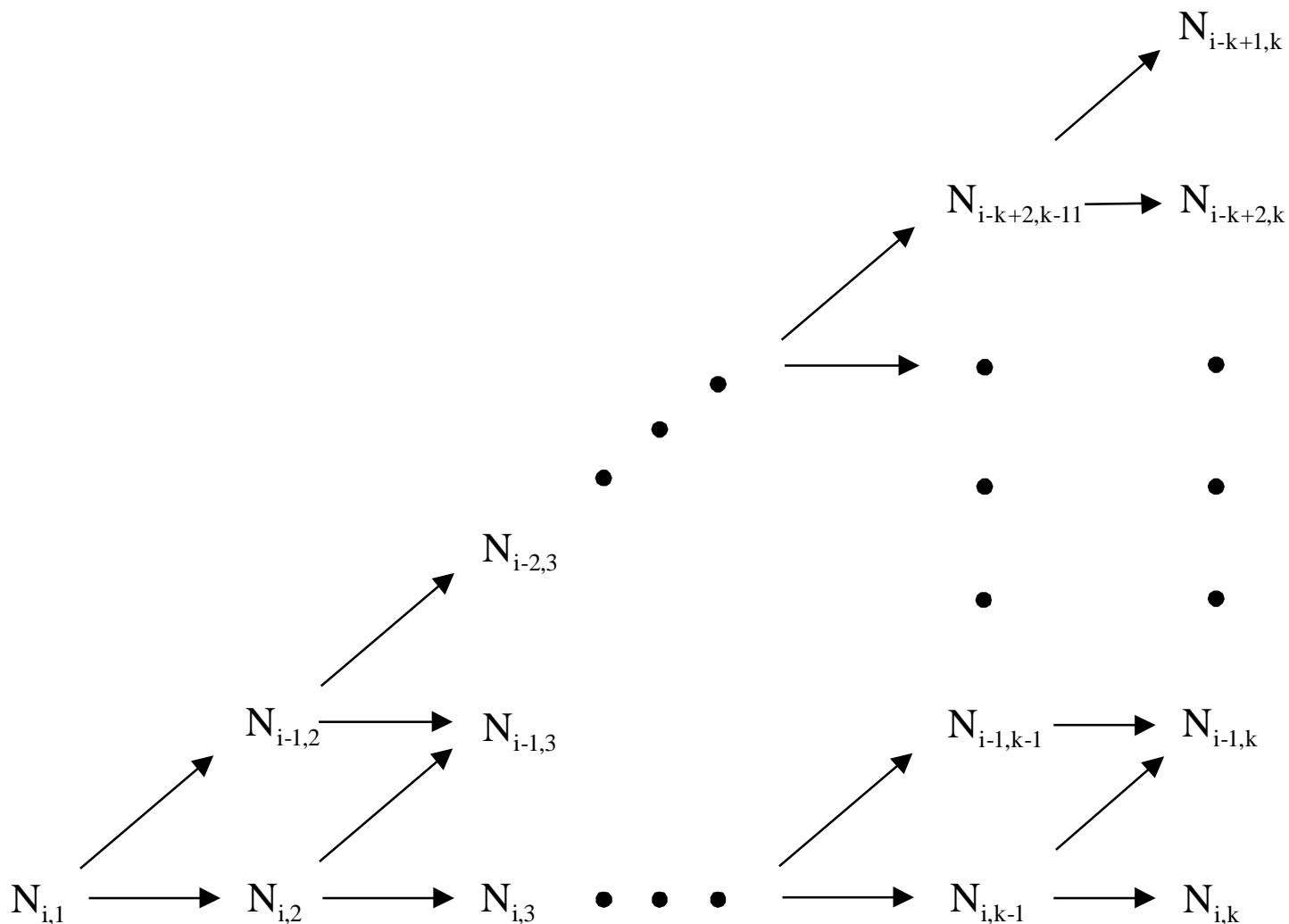
- ▶  $N_{i,k}$  : degree  $(k-1)$  of  $u$ ,  $k$  : order (independent of number of control points  $n$ )
- ▶  $t_i$ : knot values, boundary of non-zero range of each blending function
- ▶  $t_0$  (for  $i=0$ ) to  $t_{n+k}$  (for  $i=n$ ) are needed ( $n+k+1$  values)

# B-spline curve equation – cont'

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- ▶ Only the differences in  $t_i$  ( $i=0, \dots, n+k$ ) is important in (b)
- ▶ Can be shifted as a whole, parameter range should be shifted together
- ▶ A portion of B-spline curve is affected by a limited number of control points
- ▶ For  $u$  in  $[t_l, t_{l+1}]$ 
  - ▶ Control points associated with blending functions that are non-zero in  $[t_l, t_{l+1}]$  have effect
  - ▶  $N_{l,1}(u)$  is nonzero in  $[t_l, t_{l+1}]$  among  $N_{i,1}(u)$
  - ▶ Substitute  $N_{l,1}(u)$  into the right-hand side of (b)
  - ▶  $N_{l,2}(u), N_{l-1,2}(u)$  can be non-zero
  - ▶ Apply recursively
    - ▶ From  $N_{l,2}(u), N_{l,3}(u)$  and  $N_{l-1,3}(u)$  can be non-zero
    - ▶ From  $N_{l-1,2}(u), N_{l-1,3}(u)$  and  $N_{l-2,3}(u)$  can be non-zero

# B-spline curve equation – cont'



# B-spline curve equation – cont'

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- ▶ Control points that have influence in the region  $[t_l, t_{l+1}]$  are
  - ▶  $P_{l-k+1}, P_{l-k+2}, \dots, P_l$      $k$  control points
- ▶ Control points modify: [example](#)

# B-spline curve - Knot

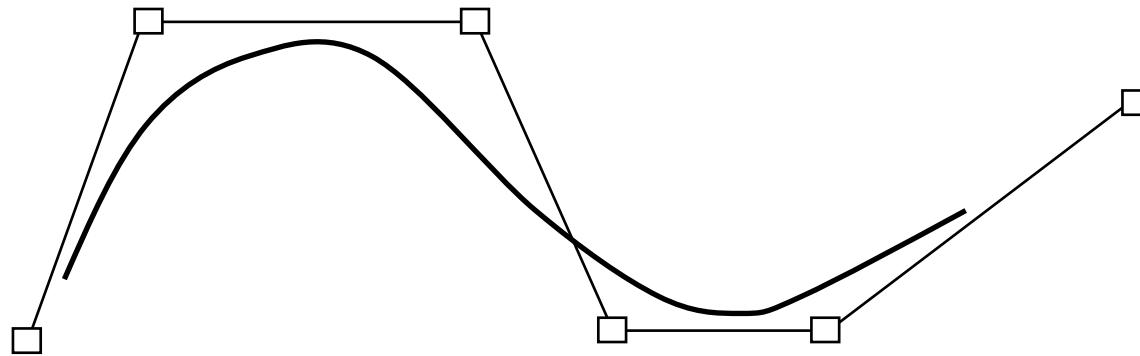
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- ▶ **Knot:**  $t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{n+k}$ 
  - ▶ parameter range is determined by knots
  - ▶ Periodic knots
    - ▶  $t_i = i - k \quad 0 \leq i \leq n + k$
  - ▶ Non-periodic knots

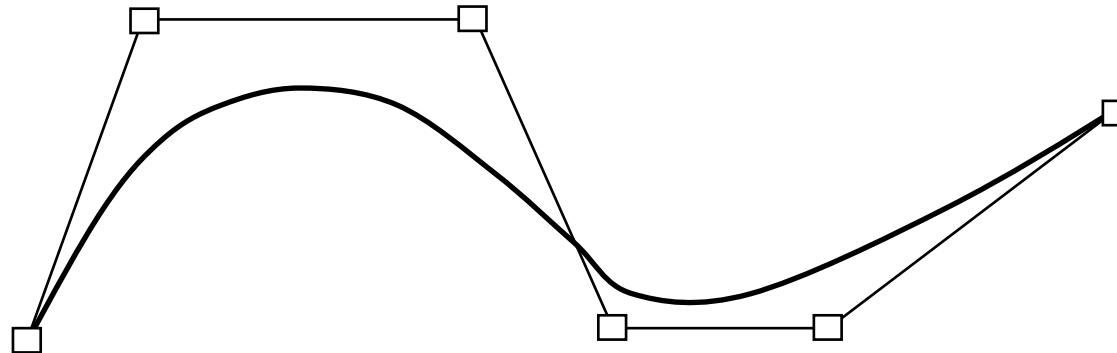
$$t_i = \begin{cases} 0 & 0 \leq i < k \\ i - k + 1 & k \leq i \leq n \\ n - k + 2 & n < i \leq n + k \end{cases} \text{ duplicates } k \text{ times} \quad (d)$$

# Periodic vs. Non-periodic

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Periodic knot



Non-periodic knot

# B-spline curve - Knot

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- ▶ By duplicating knot  $k$  times at the ends
  - ▶ Curve passes through first control point and last control point
- ▶ Periodic knot
  - ▶ First control point and last control point do not pass through curve as other control points
  - ▶ non-periodic knots are used in most CAD systems
- ▶ knot interval is uniform in  $(d)$ 
  - ▶ uniform B-spline (vs. non-uniform B-spline)
- ▶ During manipulation of curve shape, knots are added or removed
  - ▶ non-uniform knot → non-uniform B-spline curve

# Example program

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- ▶ Knot Insertion
  - ▶ Example

# Expansion of curve equation

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► Ex)

- $K=3, P_0, P_1, P_2$  non-periodic uniform B-spline  
 $t_0=0, t_1=0, t_2=0, t_3=1, t_4=1, t_5=1$

$$0 \leq u \leq 1$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ (=t_2) & (=t_3) \end{array}$$

# Expansion of curve equation – cont'

$$N_{0,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & t_0 \leq u \leq t_1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (u=0)$$

$$N_{1,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & t_1 \leq u \leq t_2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (u=0)$$

$$N_{2,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & t_2 \leq u \leq t_3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (0 \leq u \leq 1)$$

$$N_{3,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & t_3 \leq u \leq t_4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (u=1)$$

$$N_{4,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & t_4 \leq u \leq t_5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (u=1)$$

# Expansion of curve equation – cont'

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- ▶ At  $u=0$ , select  $N_{2,1}(u)$  to be non-zero among  $N_{0,1}(0)$ ,  $N_{1,1}(0)$ ,  $N_{2,1}(0)$
- ▶ Selection of any one is O.K.
- ▶ At  $u=1$ , select  $N_{2,1}(u)$  similarly
- ▶ Only  $N_{2,1}(u)$  needs to be considered among blending functions of order 1

# Expansion of curve equation – cont'

$$N_{1,2}(u) = \frac{(u-t_1)N_{1,1}}{t_2-t_1} + \frac{(t_3-u)N_{2,1}}{t_3-t_2} = \frac{(1-u)N_{2,1}}{1} = (1-u)$$

$$N_{2,2}(u) = \frac{(u-t_2)N_{2,1}}{t_3-t_2} + \frac{(t_4-u)N_{3,1}}{t_4-t_3} = \frac{uN_{2,1}}{1} = u$$

$$N_{0,3}(u) = \frac{(u-t_0)N_{0,2}}{t_2-t_0} + \frac{(t_3-u)N_{1,2}}{t_3-t_1} = \frac{(1-u)N_{1,2}}{1} = (1-u)^2$$

$$N_{1,3}(u) = \frac{(u-t_1)N_{1,2}}{t_3-t_1} + \frac{(t_4-u)N_{2,2}}{t_4-t_2} = u(1-u) + (1-u)u = 2u(1-u)$$

$$N_{2,3}(u) = \frac{(u-t_2)N_{2,2}}{t_4-t_2} + \frac{(t_5-u)N_{3,2}}{t_5-t_3} = u^2$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{P}(u) = (1-u)^2 \mathbf{P}_0 + 2u(1-u)\mathbf{P}_1 + u^2\mathbf{P}_2$$

# Expansion of curve equation – cont'

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- ▶ Consider Bezier curve defined by  $P_0, P_1, P_2$

$$\mathbf{P}(u) = \binom{2}{0} u^0 (1-u)^2 \mathbf{P}_0 + \binom{2}{1} u^1 (1-u)^1 \mathbf{P}_1 + \binom{2}{2} u^2 (1-u)^0 \mathbf{P}_2$$

- ▶ Non-periodic B-spline curve having k (order) control points ends in Bezier curve
- ▶ Bezier curve is a special case of B-spline curve

# Example

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► Ex)

$$K=3, P_0, P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5$$

$$t_0=0, t_1=0, t_2=0, t_3=1, t_4=2, t_5=3, t_6=4, t_7=4, t_8=4$$

$$0 \leq u \leq 4 \quad N_{2,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq u \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$N_{3,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & 1 \leq u \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$N_{4,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & 2 \leq u \leq 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$N_{5,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & 3 \leq u \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Example – cont'

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$$N_{1,2}(u) = \frac{(u - t_1)N_{1,1}}{t_2 - t_1} + \frac{(t_3 - u)N_{2,1}}{t_3 - t_2} = (1 - u)N_{2,1}$$

$$N_{2,2}(u) = \frac{(u - t_2)N_{2,1}}{t_3 - t_2} + \frac{(t_4 - u)N_{3,1}}{t_4 - t_3} = u - N_{2,1} + (2 - u)N_{3,1}$$

$$N_{3,2}(u) = \frac{(u - t_3)N_{3,1}}{t_4 - t_3} + \frac{(t_5 - u)N_{4,1}}{t_5 - t_4} = (u - 1)N_{3,1} + (3 - u)N_{4,1}$$

$$N_{4,2}(u) = \frac{(u - t_4)N_{4,1}}{t_5 - t_4} + \frac{(t_6 - u)N_{5,1}}{t_6 - t_5} = (u - 2)N_{4,1} + (4 - u)N_{5,1}$$

$$N_{5,2}(u) = \frac{(u - t_5)N_{5,1}}{t_6 - t_5} + \frac{(t_7 - u)N_{6,1}}{t_7 - t_6} = (u - 3)N_{5,1}$$

# Example – cont'

$$N_{0,3}(u) = \frac{(u - t_0)N_{0,2}}{t_2 - t_0} + \frac{(t_3 - u)N_{1,2}}{t_3 - t_1} = (1 - u)N_{1,2} = (1 - u)^2 N_{2,1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{1,3}(u) &= \frac{(u - t_1)N_{1,2}}{t_3 - t_1} + \frac{(t_4 - u)N_{2,2}}{t_4 - t_2} = u N_{1,2} + \frac{2 - u}{2} N_{2,2} \\ &= \left[ u(1 - u) + \frac{(2 - u)u}{2} \right] N_{2,1} + \frac{(2 - u)^2}{2} N_{3,1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{2,3}(u) &= \frac{(u - t_2)N_{2,2}}{t_4 - t_2} + \frac{(t_5 - u)N_{3,2}}{t_5 - t_3} = \frac{u}{2} N_{2,2} + \frac{3 - u}{2} N_{3,2} \\ &= \frac{u^2}{2} N_{2,1} + \left[ \frac{u(2 - u)}{2} + \frac{(3 - u)(u - 1)}{2} \right] N_{3,1} + \frac{(3 - u)^2}{2} N_{4,1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{3,3}(u) &= \frac{(u - t_3)N_{3,2}}{t_5 - t_3} + \frac{(t_6 - u)N_{4,2}}{t_6 - t_4} = \frac{u - 1}{2} N_{3,2} + \frac{4 - u}{2} N_{4,2} \\ &= \frac{(u - 1)^2}{2} N_{3,1} + \left[ \frac{(u - 1)(3 - u)}{2} + \frac{(4 - u)(u - 2)}{2} \right] N_{4,1} + \frac{(4 - u)^2}{2} N_{5,1} \end{aligned}$$

## Example – cont'

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$$N_{4,3}(u) = \frac{(u-t_4)N_{4,2}}{t_6-t_4} + \frac{(t_7-u)N_{5,2}}{t_7-t_5} = \frac{u-2}{2} N_{4,2} + (4-u)N_{5,2}$$

$$= \frac{(u-2)^2}{2} N_{4,1} + \left[ \frac{(u-2)(4-u)}{2} + (4-u)(u-3) \right] N_{5,1}$$

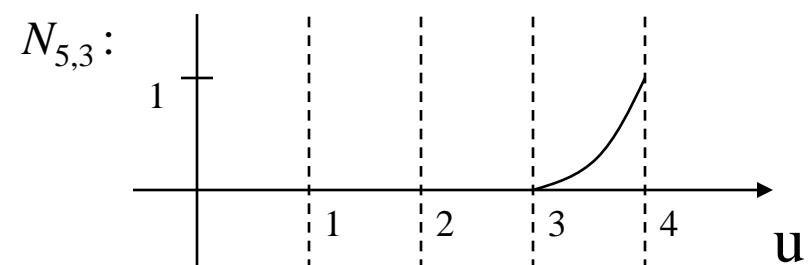
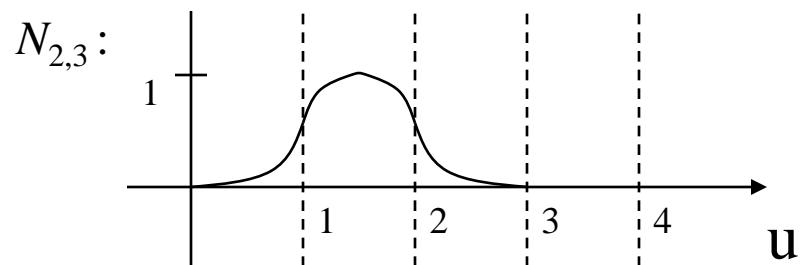
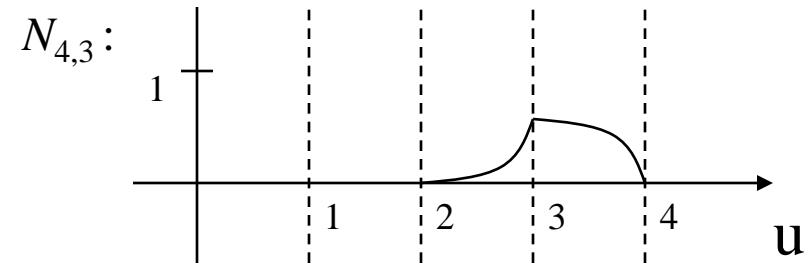
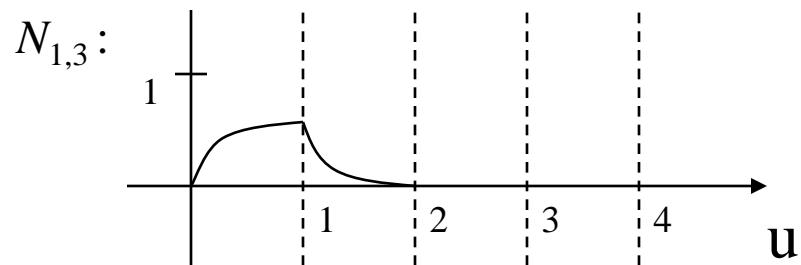
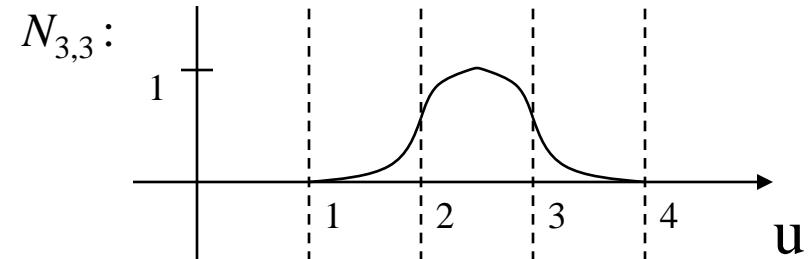
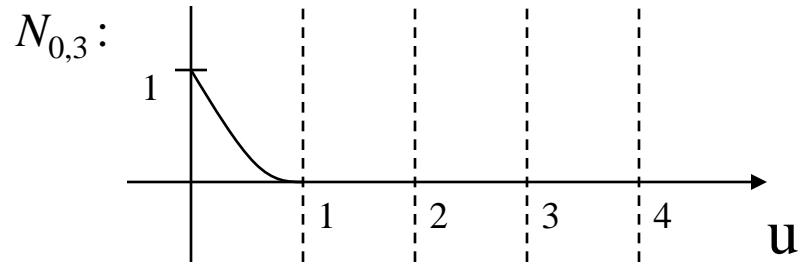
$$N_{5,3}(u) = \frac{(u-t_5)N_{5,2}}{t_7-t_5} + \frac{(t_8-u)N_{6,2}}{t_8-t_6} = (u-3)N_{5,2} = (u-3)^2 N_{5,1}$$

## Example – cont'

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$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \mathbf{P}(u) = & (1-u)^2 N_{2,1} \mathbf{P}_0 + \left\{ \left[ u(1-u) + \frac{(2-u)u}{2} \right] N_{2,1} + \frac{(2-u)^2}{2} N_{3,1} \right\} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ & + \left\{ \frac{u^2}{2} N_{2,1} + \left[ \frac{u(2-u)}{2} + \frac{(3-u)(u-1)}{2} \right] N_{3,1} + \frac{(3-u)^2}{2} N_{4,1} \right\} \mathbf{P}_2 \\ & + \left\{ \frac{(u-1)^2}{2} N_{3,1} + \left[ \frac{(u-1)(3-u)}{2} + \frac{(4-u)(u-2)}{2} \right] N_{4,1} + \frac{(4-u)^2}{2} N_{5,1} \right\} \mathbf{P}_3 \\ & + \left\{ \frac{(u-2)^2}{2} N_{4,1} + \left[ \frac{(u-2)(4-u)}{2} + (4-u)(u-3) \right] N_{5,1} \right\} \mathbf{P}_4 \\ & + (u-3)^2 N_{5,1} \quad \mathbf{P}_5\end{aligned}$$

# Example – cont'



## Example – cont'

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- ▶ For each knot interval, coefficients of certain control points = 0
  - ▶ only subset of control points has influence
- ▶ For  $0 \leq u \leq 1$ , all  $N_{i,1}$  except  $N_{2,1}$  are 0

$$\therefore P(u) = (1-u)^2 P_0 + \left[ u(1-u) + \frac{(2-u)u}{2} \right] P_1 + \frac{u^2}{2} P_2$$

# Example – cont'

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► Similarly

$$1 \leq u \leq 2$$

$$\mathbf{P}_2(u) = \frac{(2-u)^2}{2} \mathbf{P}_1 + \left[ \frac{u(2-u)}{2} + \frac{(3-u)(u-1)}{2} \right] \mathbf{P}_2 + \frac{(u-1)^2}{2} \mathbf{P}_3$$

$$2 \leq u \leq 3$$

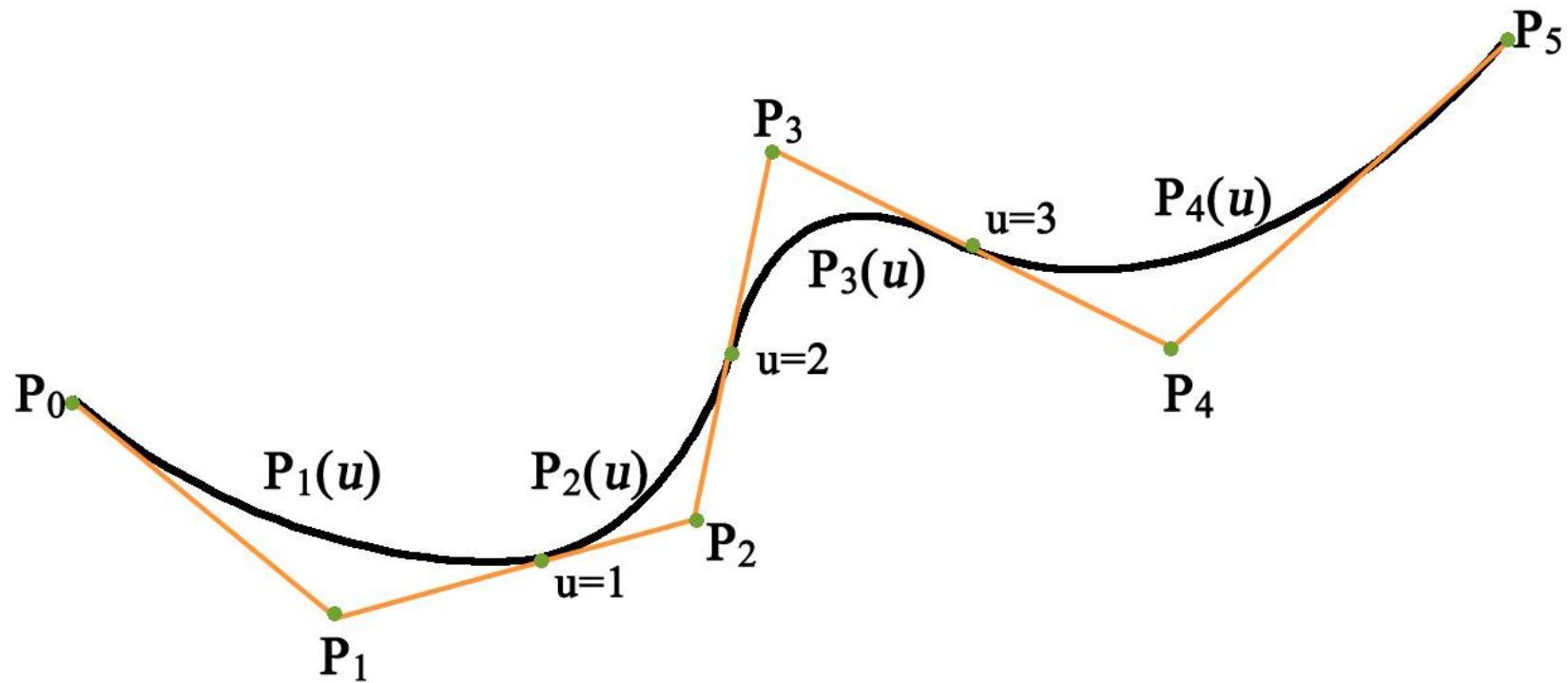
$$\mathbf{P}_3(u) = \frac{(3-u)^2}{2} \mathbf{P}_2 + \frac{1}{2}(-2u^2 + 10u - 11) \mathbf{P}_3 + \frac{(u-2)^2}{2} \mathbf{P}_4$$

$$3 \leq u \leq 4$$

$$\mathbf{P}_4(u) = \frac{(4-u)^2}{2} \mathbf{P}_3 + \frac{1}{2}(-3u^2 + 20u - 32) \mathbf{P}_4 + (u-3)^2 \mathbf{P}_5$$

## Example – cont'

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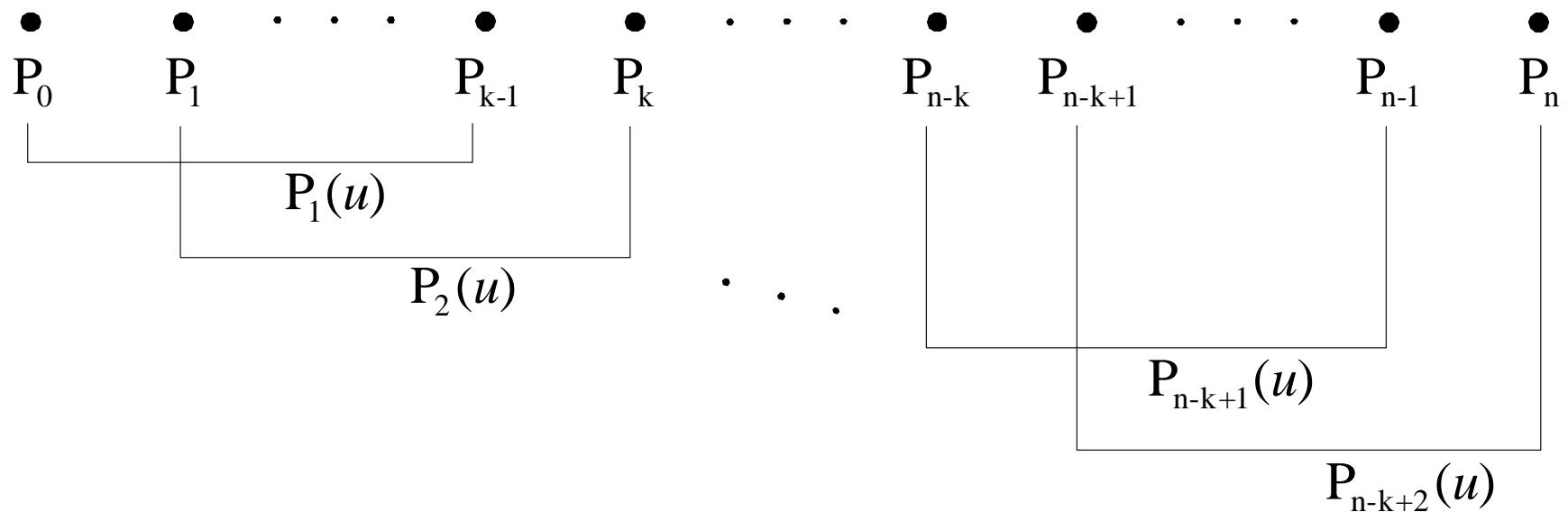
## Example – cont'

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- ▶  $\mathbf{P}'_1(1) = \mathbf{P}'_2(1), \quad \mathbf{P}'_2(2) = \mathbf{P}'_3(2), \quad \mathbf{P}'_3(3) = \mathbf{P}'_4(3)$     $C^1$  continuity
- ▶  $C^2$  continuity is not satisfied. ( $\because k=3$ , degree 2)
  - ▶ For curve of order  $k$ , neighboring curves have same derivatives up to  $(k-2)$ -th derivative at the common knot
- ▶ Each curve segment is defined by  $k$  control points.
- ▶ Any one control point can influence up to maximum  $k$  curve segments.

# Example – cont'

count curve segment including  $\mathbf{P}_{k-1}$



# Intersection between curves

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- ▶  $P(u) - Q(v) = 0$
- ▶ 3 scalar equations, two unknowns
  - ▶  $P_x(u) - Q_x(v) = 0$
  - ▶  $P_y(u) - Q_y(v) = 0$
- ▶ Use Newton Raphson method
  - ▶ Derivative of  $P_x, Q_x, P_y, Q_y$  need to be calculated
  - ▶  $f_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$
  - ▶  $f_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$
  - ⋮
  - ▶  $f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 0$

# Intersection between curves – cont'

$$f_1(x_1 + \Delta x_1, x_2 + \Delta x_2, \dots, x_n + \Delta x_n) = f_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \Delta x_n$$

⋮

$$f_n(x_1 + \Delta x_1, x_2 + \Delta x_2, \dots, x_n + \Delta x_n) = f_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) + \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1 + \dots + \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_n} \Delta x_n$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_1 \\ \Delta x_2 \\ \vdots \\ \Delta x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -f_1 \\ -f_2 \\ \vdots \\ -f_n \end{bmatrix}$$

# Intersection between curves – cont'

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- ▶ If initial values of  $u$ ,  $v$  are too far from real solution, the iteration diverges.
- ▶ Hard to find all the intersection points.
- ▶ Cannot handle the case of overlapping curves.
- ▶ Two curves are regarded to intersect each other if they lie within numerical tolerance.
- ▶ Control polygons are approximated to the curve by subdivision and initial values of  $u, v$  can be provided closely by intersecting control polygons
- ▶ Better to detect special situation in advance before resorting to numerical solution.
- ▶ Tuning tolerance values is necessary

# Straight line vs. curve

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- ▶  $P(u) = P_0 + u(P_1 - P_0)$
- ▶  $Q(v) = P_0 + u(P_1 - P_0) \quad (a)$
- ▶ Apply dot product  $(P_0 \times P_1)$  to both sides of eq(a)  
gives

$$(P_0 \times P_1) \cdot Q(v) = 0$$

non-linear equation of  $v$

# Non-uniform Rational B-spline (NURBS) curve

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- ▶ Use same Blending functions as B-spline
- ▶ Control points are given in homogeneous coordinates

$$(x_i, \ y_i, \ z_i) \Rightarrow (x_i \cdot h_i, \ y_i \cdot h_i, \ z_i \cdot h_i, \ h_i)$$

$$x \cdot h = \sum_{i=0}^n (h_i \cdot x_i) \ N_{i,k}(u)$$

$$y \cdot h = \sum_{i=0}^n (h_i \cdot y_i) \ N_{i,k}(u)$$

$$z \cdot h = \sum_{i=0}^n (h_i \cdot z_i) \ N_{i,k}(u)$$

$$h = \sum_{i=0}^n h_i \ N_{i,k}(u)$$

# Non-uniform Rational B-spline (NURBS) curve – cont'

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$$P(u) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n h_i P_i N_{i,k}(u)}{\sum_{i=0}^n h_i N_{i,k}(u)}$$

Passes through the 1<sup>st</sup> and the last control points

( When non-periodic knots are used )

Numerator is B-spline with  $h_i P_i$  as control points

→  $h_0 P_0, h_n P_n$  at parameter boundary values

Similarly denominator has values of  $h_0, h_n$  at parameter boundary values

# Non-uniform Rational B-spline (NURBS) curve – cont'

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Directions of tangent vectors are  $P_1 - P_0$ ,  $P_n - P_{n-1}$  at starting and ending points

$$h_i = 1 \sum_{i=0}^n N_{i,k}(u) = 1 \Rightarrow B-spline$$

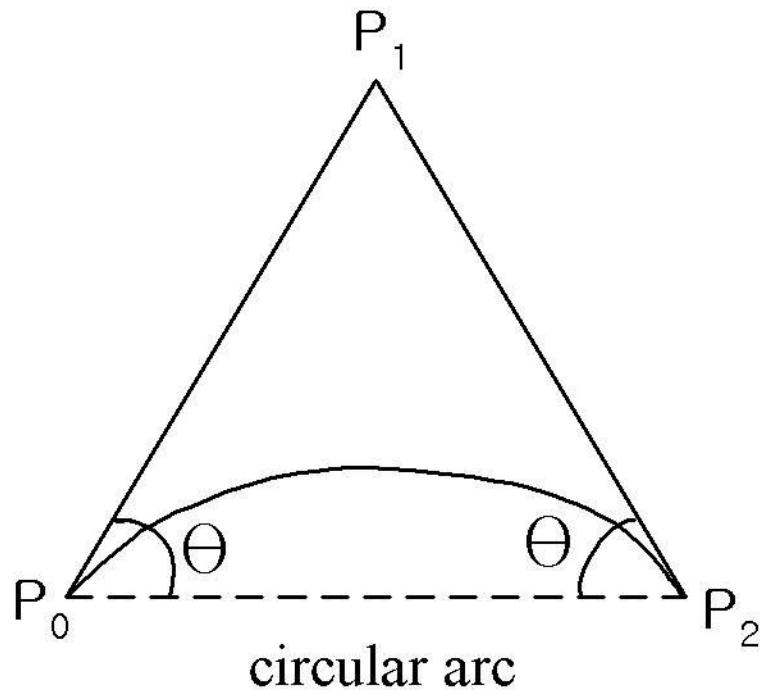
B-spline curve is a special case of NURBS

# Non-uniform Rational B-spline (NURBS) curve – cont'

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- ▶ Curve shape can be changed by changing weight( $h_i$ )
- ▶ Increasing weight has an effect of pulling curve toward associated control point
  - ▶ Example program
- ▶ Conic curve can be represented exactly
  - ▶ Reducing program coding effort

# Control points of NURBS curve equivalent to a circular arc



$$h_0 = h_2 = 1$$
$$h_1 = \cos \theta$$

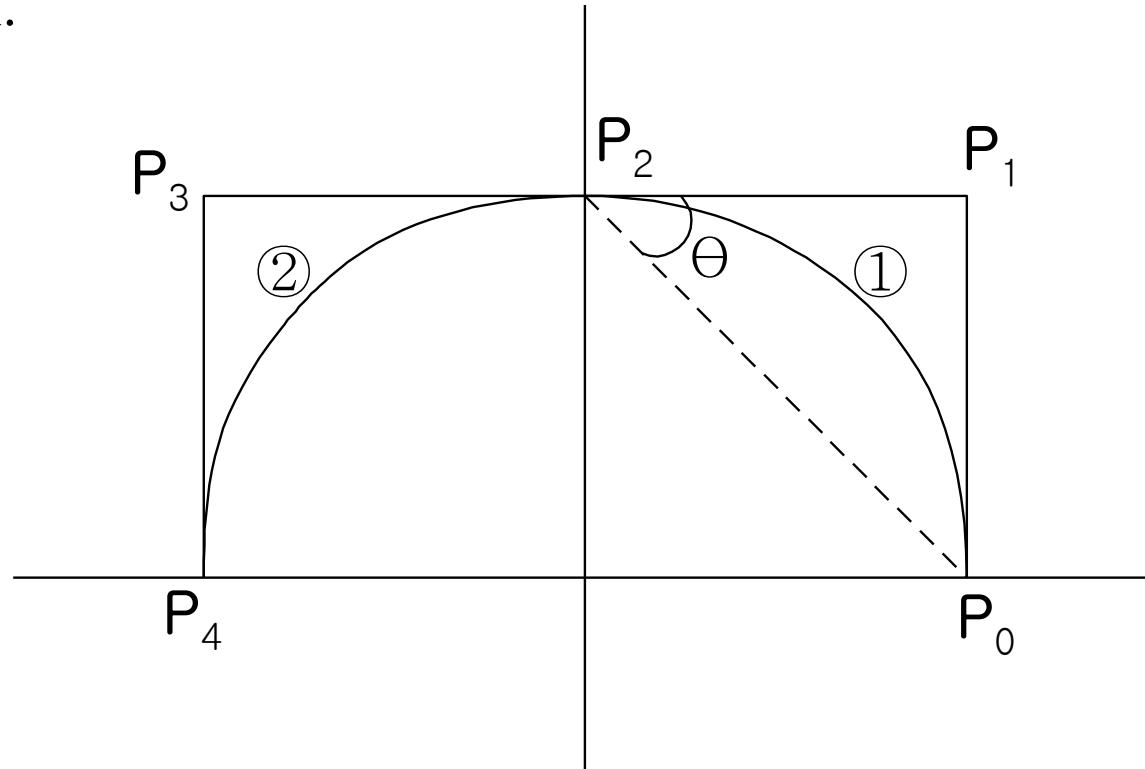
Can be used when center angle is less than  $180^\circ$ .

Arc with a center angle bigger than  $180^\circ$  is split into two and combined later

# Example

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## Example – cont'

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$$P_0 = (1, 0), \quad P_1 = (1, 1), \quad P_2 = (0, 1)$$

$$h_0 = 0 \quad h_1 = \cos 45^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad h_2 = 1$$

knot 0 0 0 1 1 1 ( $n = 2, k = 3$ )

Similarly  $\exists P_2 = (0, 1), P_3 = (-1, 1), P_4 = (-1, 0)$

$$h_2 = 1, \quad h_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad h_4 = 1$$

knot 0 0 0 1 1 1  $\Rightarrow$  1 1 1 2 2 2

# Example – cont'

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## Composition

$$P_0 = (1, 0), \quad P_1 = (1, 1), \quad P_2 = (0, 1), \\ P_3 = (-1, 1), \quad P_4 = (-1, 0)$$

$$h_0 = 1 \quad h_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad h_2 = 1$$

$$h_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad h_4 = 1$$

knot 0 0 0 1 1 2 2 2