ME 714 Computer-integrated Manufacturing

Assignment 2

Due: February 11, 2021

Topics: Parametric Cubic Spline, Bezier Curves

Note: Please show all the *important* steps while answering the questions.

Determine the equation of the parametric cubic spline passing through points A and B,
A = (2,5), Slope vector at A is at 90° w.r.t. the X-axis and has magnitude = 1,
B = (6,0), Slope vector at B is at 45° w.r.t. the X-axis and has magnitude = 1.

What is the slope of this curve at t = 0.5?

2. Matrix representation of the parametric cubic spline is given as follows,

 $P(t) = [t][M_H][G_H] = \begin{bmatrix} t^3 & t^2 & t & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 3 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P(0) \\ P(1) \\ P'(0) \\ P'(1) \end{bmatrix}$ (1)

where, $[M_H]$ is the Hermite matrix and $[G_H]$ is geometric coefficient matrix. Derive a similar matrix representation for the Bezier curve (i.e., $B(t) = [t][M_B][V]$) given four control points (V_0, V_1, V_2, V_3) .

3. Write a function in MATLAB or Python to plot the Bezier curve given control points (V_0, V_1, V_2, V_3) . [10] The input to the function will be a four by two matrix [V],

$$[V] = \begin{bmatrix} X_{v_0} & Y_{v_0} \\ X_{v_1} & Y_{v_1} \\ X_{v_2} & Y_{v_2} \\ X_{v_3} & Y_{v_3} \end{bmatrix}$$
 (2)

where, X_{v_i} and Y_{v_i} are the x- and y-coordinates of the control point V_i . Upload your code as a text file named 'LastName-FirstName-Bezier.txt' (e.g., Mujumdar-Soham-Bezier.txt) along with your assignment answers. (Note: Make sure your code is well-commented and compatible with MATLAB 2020/Python 3.8. Use at least 100 points on the curve to plot the curve.)

[3]

- 4. Use your code from Q. 3 to plot the Bezier curves for each of the following sets of control points, [8]
 - $V_0 = (0,0), V_1 = (3,4), V_2 = (5,2), V_3 = (6,0)$
 - $V_0 = (6,0), V_1 = (5,2), V_2 = (3,4), V_3 = (0,0)$
 - $V_0 = (0,0), V_1 = (5,2), V_2 = (3,4), V_3 = (6,0)$
 - $V_0 = (0,0), V_1 = (3,4), V_2 = (5,-2), V_3 = (6,0)$

Based on the plots, comment on what happens to the curve when (a) the order of the control points is changed, and (b) one of the control points is moved.

- 5. Find (x,y,z) if the two Bezier curve segments $(B_1 \text{ and } B_2)$ passing through following sets of control points are required to be C^1 continuous at the common point D.
 - $B_1: A = (2,3,4), B = (3,1,5), C = (x,y,z), D = (3,4,3)$
 - $B_2: D = (3,4,3), E = (2,6,0), F = (5,7,5), G = (5,2,3)$