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Laboratory Experiment 3

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Objectives

Vector graphics

Before completing this worksheet, you should view the on-line interactive tutorial "Vector Graphics and the Mathematics of Curves". This tutorial can be accessed at my Web site: http://www.baskent.edu.tr/~msert/courses/bil464/bil464.html

1. Bézier curves are defined by the basis matrix

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the geometry matrix

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{p}_0 \\ \boldsymbol{p}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{p}_2 \\ \boldsymbol{p}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let $p_0 = (2,7)$, $p_1 = (3,8)$, $p_2 = (3,5)$, and $p_3 = (3,6)$. Give the parametric equations x(t) and y(t) that would describe a Bézier curve defined by these points.

- 2. Evaluate the parametric equations you derived at t = (0.5, 0.5).
- 3. Try to draw the curve in a vector graphics program (in your case Matlab ;)).
- 4. Verify that the point you computed in #2 above is on the curve.