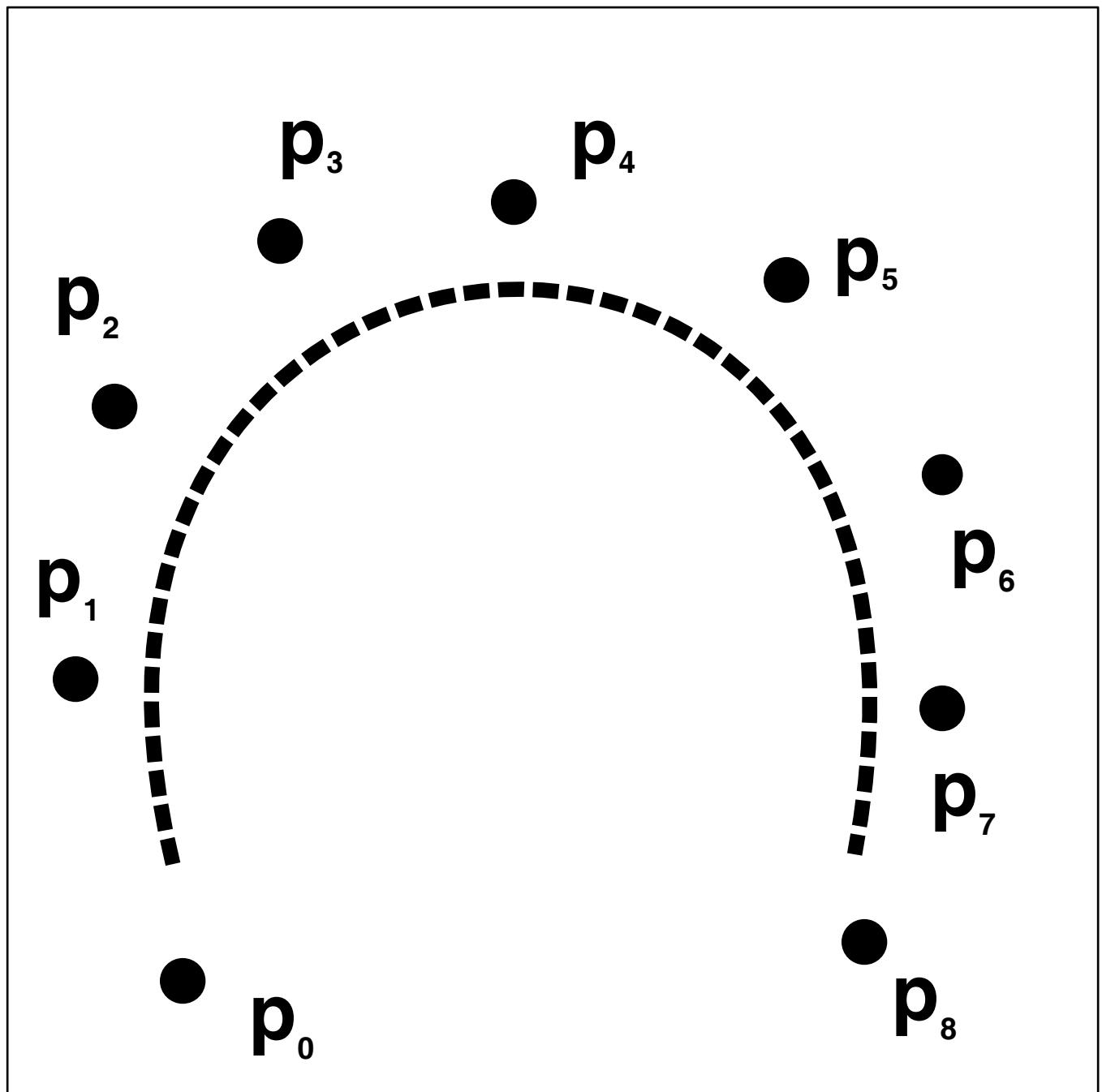


C^2 Approximating Splines



Uniform B-Spline

- **B-spline control points:** p_0, \dots, p_n
- **Piecewise Bezier curves with C^2 continuity at joints**
- **Bezier control points:**

$$v_1 = \frac{2p_1 + p_2}{3}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{p_1 + 2p_2}{3}$$

$$v_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{p_0 + 2p_1}{3} + \frac{2p_1 + p_2}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(p_0 + 4p_1 + p_2)$$

$$v_3 = \frac{1}{6}(p_1 + 4p_2 + p_3)$$

- In general, i-th segment of B-splines is determined by

$p_i, p_{i+1}, p_{i+2}, p_{i+3}$

$$v_1 = \frac{2p_{i+1} + p_{i+2}}{3}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{p_{i+1} + 2p_{i+2}}{3}$$

$$v_0 = \frac{1}{6}(p_i + 4p_{i+1} + p_{i+2})$$

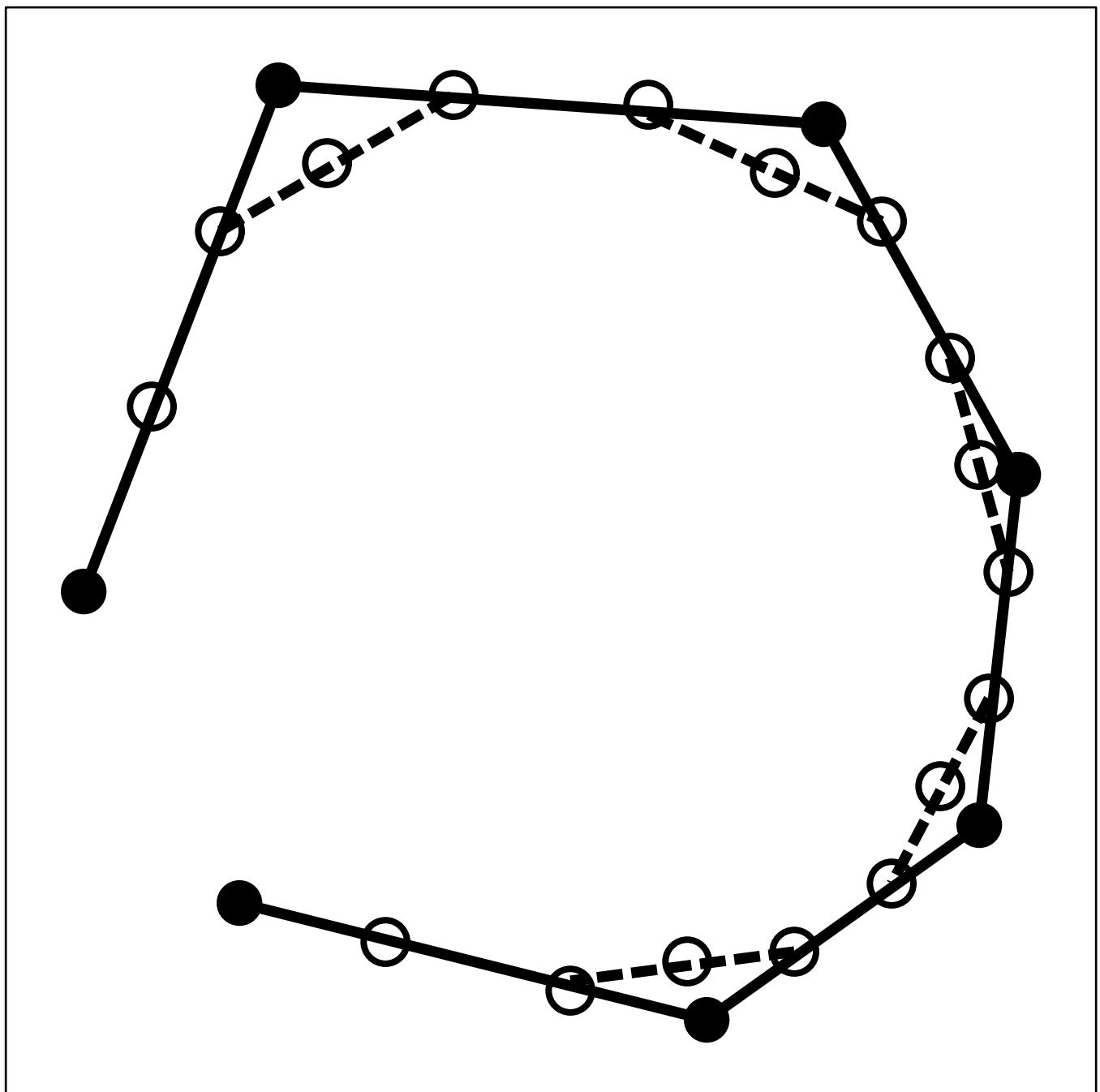
$$v_3 = \frac{1}{6}(p_{i+1} + 4p_{i+2} + p_{i+3})$$

- In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_i \\ p_{i+1} \\ p_{i+2} \\ p_{i+3} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Question: how many bezier segments???

From B-Splines to Bezier



B-Spline Properties

- C^2 continuity
- Approximation
- Local control
- Each segment are determined by four control points
- Convex hull
- Questions: what happens if we put more than one control points in the same location???
 - double vertices
 - triple vertices
 - collinear vertices
- End conditions
 - double endpoint: curve will be tangent to line between first distinct points

- triple endpoint: curve interpolate endpoint, start w/ a line segment
- Display B-splines: transform it to Bezier curves

Catmull-Rom Splines

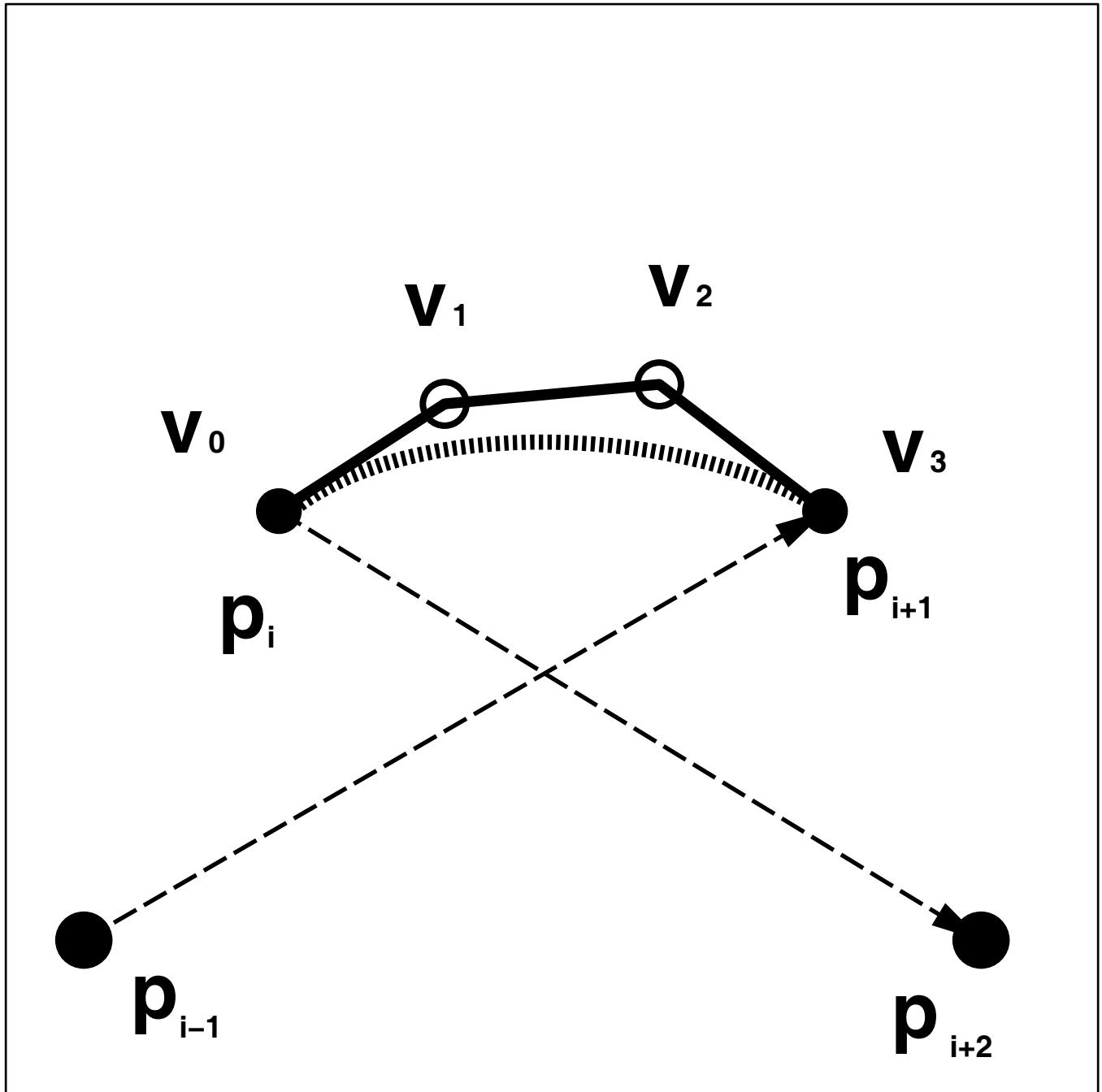
- Keep interpolation
- Give up C^2 continuity
- Control tangents locally
- Idea: Bezier curve between successive points
- How to determine two internal vertices: v_1, v_2
- $c(0) = p_i = v_0$
- $c(1) = p_{i+1} = v_3$
- $c'(0) = \frac{p_{i+1} - p_{i-1}}{2} = 3(v_1 - v_0)$
- $c'(1) = \frac{p_{i+2} - p_i}{2} = 3(v_3 - v_2)$
- $v_1 = \frac{p_{i+1} + 6p_i - p_{i-1}}{6}$
- $v_2 = \frac{-p_{i+2} + 6p_{i+1} + p_i}{6}$

- In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 6 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} p_{i-1} \\ p_i \\ p_{i+1} \\ p_{i+2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Problem: boundary conditions
- Properties: C^1 , interpolation, local control, non-convex-hull

Catmull-Rom Splines



B-Splines

- Mathematics

$$c(u) = \sum_{i=0}^n p_i B_{i,k}(u)$$

- Control points: p_i
- Basis functions of degree $k - 1$: $B_{i,k}(u)$
- Piecewise polynomials
- How to formulate $B_{i,k}(u)$
- First we introduce a knot sequence $(u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n+k})$ in a non-decreasing order

$$u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n+k}$$

- The basis function are defined recursively

$$B_{i,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & u_i \leq u < u_{i+1} \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

$$B_{i,k}(u) = \frac{u - u_i}{u_{i+k-1} - u_i} B_{i,k-1}(u) + \frac{u_{i+k} - u}{u_{i+k} - u_{i+1}} B_{i+1,k-1}(u)$$

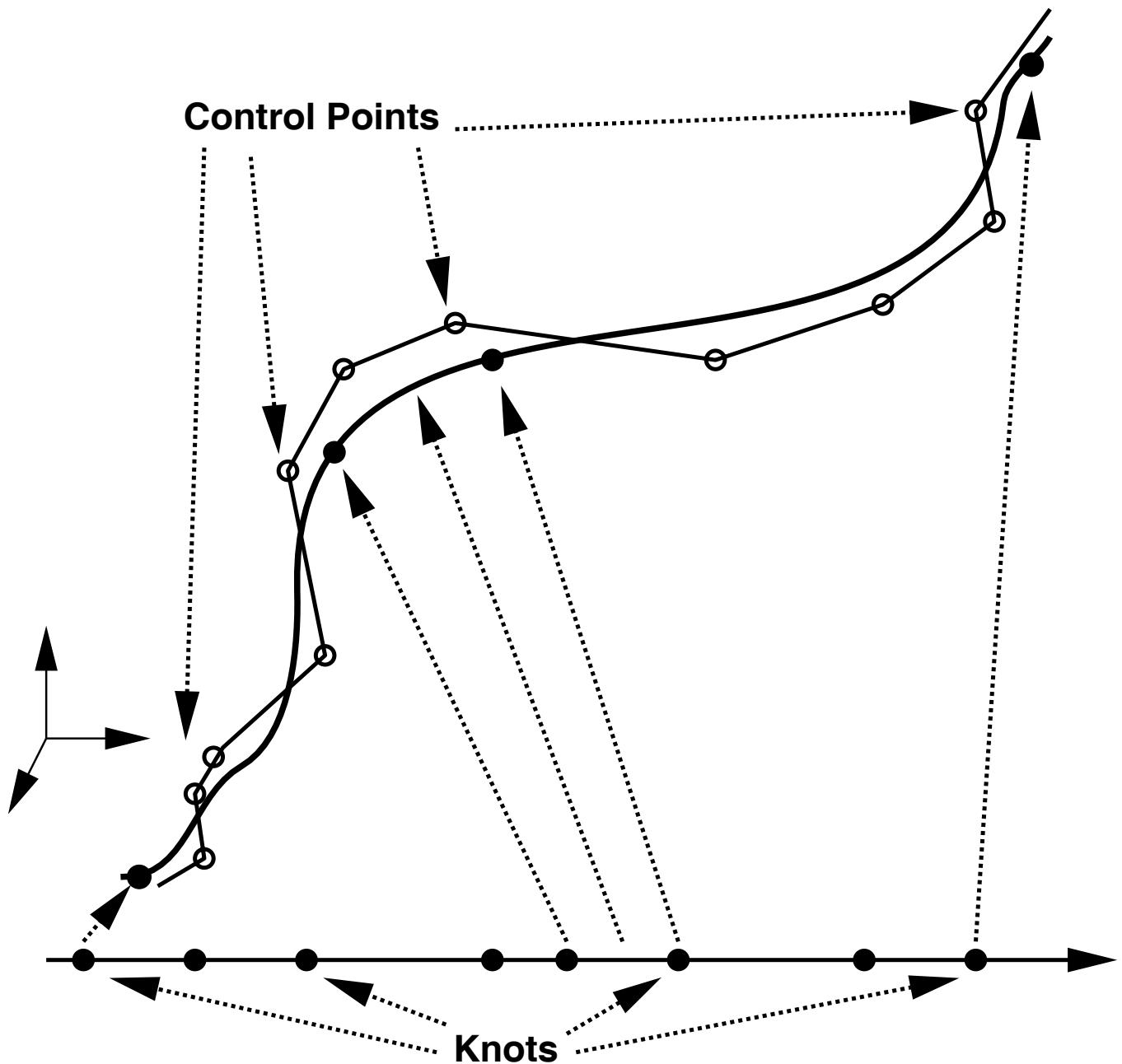
- **The parametric domain of B-spline is:**

$$u \text{ in } [u_{k-1}, u_{n+1}]$$

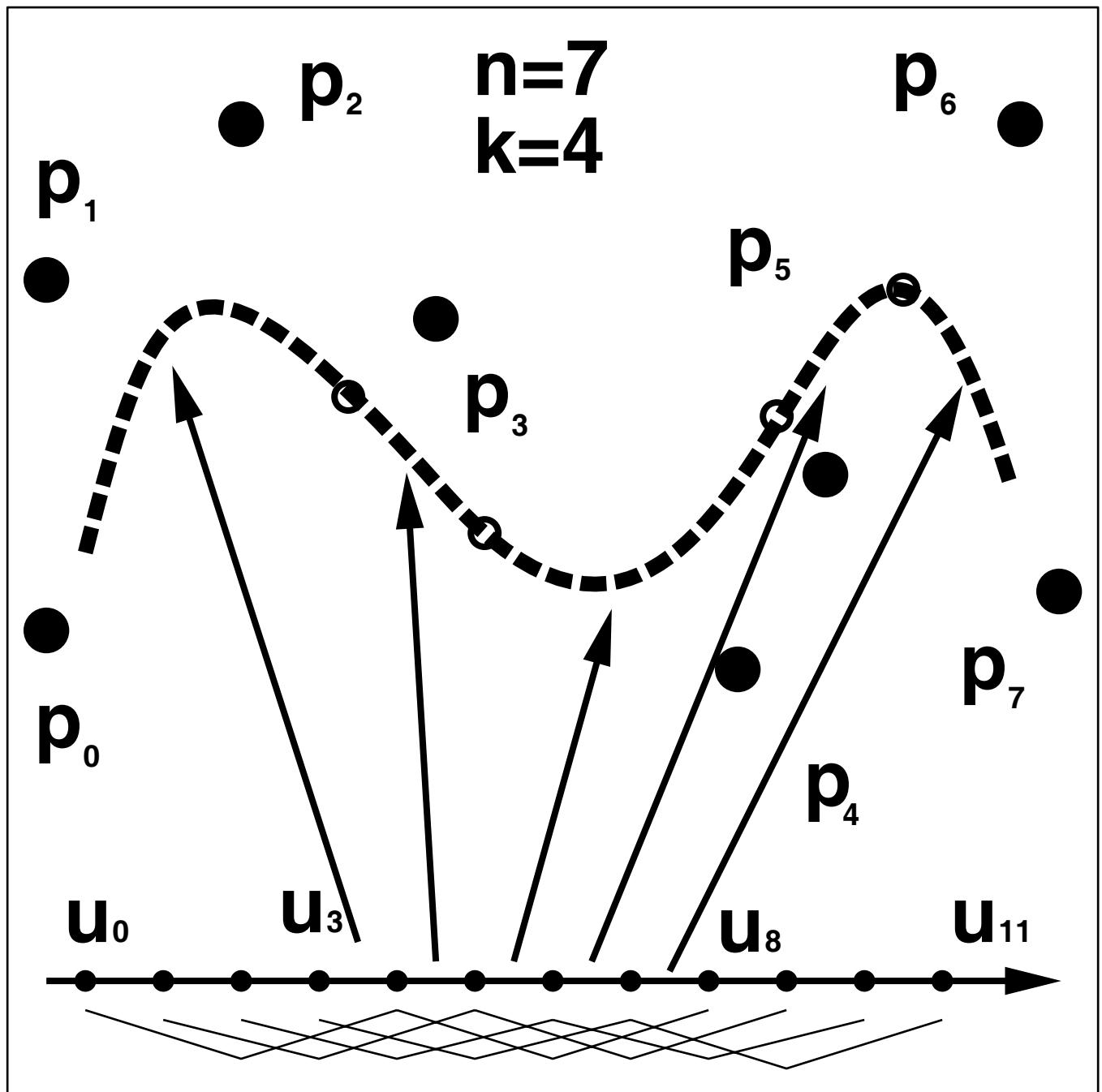
B-spline Curves

- **Curve:** $c(u) = \sum_{i=0}^n p_i B_{i,k}(u)$
- **Parametric variable:** u
- **$n + 1$ control points:** p_i
- **$n + k + 1$ non-decreasing knots:** $u_0 \leq u_1 \leq \dots \leq u_{n+k}$
- **Basis functions of degree $k - 1$:** $B_{i,k}(u)$
- **Parametric domain:** $u_{k-1} \leq u \leq u_{n+1}$

Piecewise B-splines



B-spline Example



B-Spline Properties

- $c(u)$: piecewise polynomial of degree $k - 1$
- Continuity at joints: C^{k-2}
- $n + 1$ control points
- $n + 1$ basis (blending) functions
- $B_{i,k}(u)$ is defined over $[u_i, u_{i+k}]$, which includes $k + 1$ knots and k sub-intervals
- $n + k + 1$ knots
- Knot sequence divide the parametric axis into $n + k$ sub-intervals
- Parametric domain: $[u_{k-1}, u_{n+1}]$
- There are $(n + 1) - (k - 1) = n - k + 2$ sub-intervals with the parametric domain

- There are $n - k + 2$ piecewise polynomials
- Each curve span is influenced by k control points
- Each control points at most affects k curve spans
- Local control!!!
- Convex hull
- The degree of B-spline polynomial can be independent from the the number of control point
- Compare B-spline with Bezier!!!
- Key components: control points, basis functions, order, knots, parametric domain, local vs. global control, continuity

Basis Functions

- **Linear examples**

$$B_{0,2}(u) = \begin{cases} u & u \in [0, 1] \\ 2 - u & u \in [1, 2] \end{cases}$$

$$B_{1,2}(u) = \begin{cases} u - 1 & u \in [1, 2] \\ 3 - u & u \in [2, 3] \end{cases}$$

$$B_{2,2}(u) = \begin{cases} u - 2 & u \in [2, 3] \\ 4 - u & u \in [3, 4] \end{cases}$$

- How does it look like???

- **Quadratic examples**

$$B_{0,3}(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}u^2 & u \in [0, 1] \\ \frac{1}{2}u(2 - u) + \frac{1}{2}(3 - u)(u - 1) & u \in [1, 2] \\ \frac{1}{2}(3 - u)^2 & u \in [2, 3] \end{cases}$$

$$B_{1,3}(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(u - 1)^2 & u \in [1, 2] \\ \frac{1}{2}(u - 1)(3 - u) + \frac{1}{2}(4 - u)(u - 2) & u \in [2, 3] \\ \frac{1}{2}(4 - u)^2 & u \in [3, 4] \end{cases}$$

- How does it look like???
- Cubic example

$$B_{0,4}(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}u^3 \\ \frac{1}{6}(u^2(2-u) + u(3-u)(u-1) + (4-u)(u-1)^2) \\ \frac{1}{6}(u(3-u)^2 + (4-u)(u-1)(3-u) + (4-u)^2(2-u)) \\ \frac{1}{6}(4-u)^3 \end{cases}$$

B-spline Basis Functions

- One example: quadratic

- Knot vector: [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

$$\bullet \quad B_{0,3}(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}u^2, & \text{for } 0 \leq u < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}u(2-u) + \frac{1}{2}(u-1)(3-u), & \text{for } 1 \leq u < 2 \\ \frac{1}{2}(3-u)^2 & \text{for } 2 \leq u < 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\bullet \quad B_{1,3}(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(u-1)^2, & \text{for } 1 \leq u < 2 \\ \frac{1}{2}(u-1)(3-u) + \frac{1}{2}(u-2)(4-u), & \text{for } 2 \leq u < 3 \\ \frac{1}{2}(4-u)^2, & \text{for } 3 \leq u < 4 \end{cases}$$

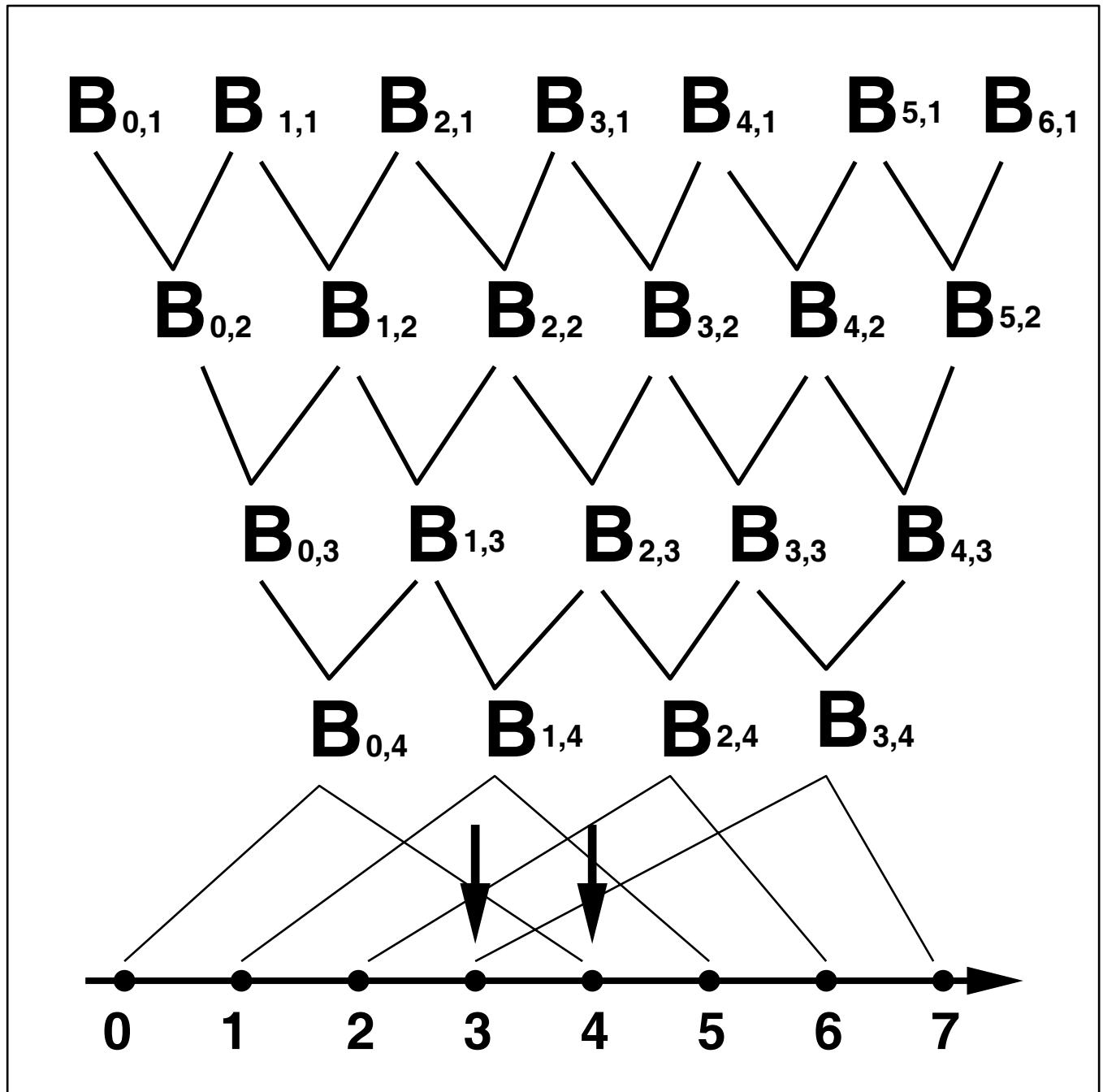
$$\bullet \quad B_{2,3}(u) = \dots$$

$$\bullet \quad B_{3,3}(u) = \dots$$

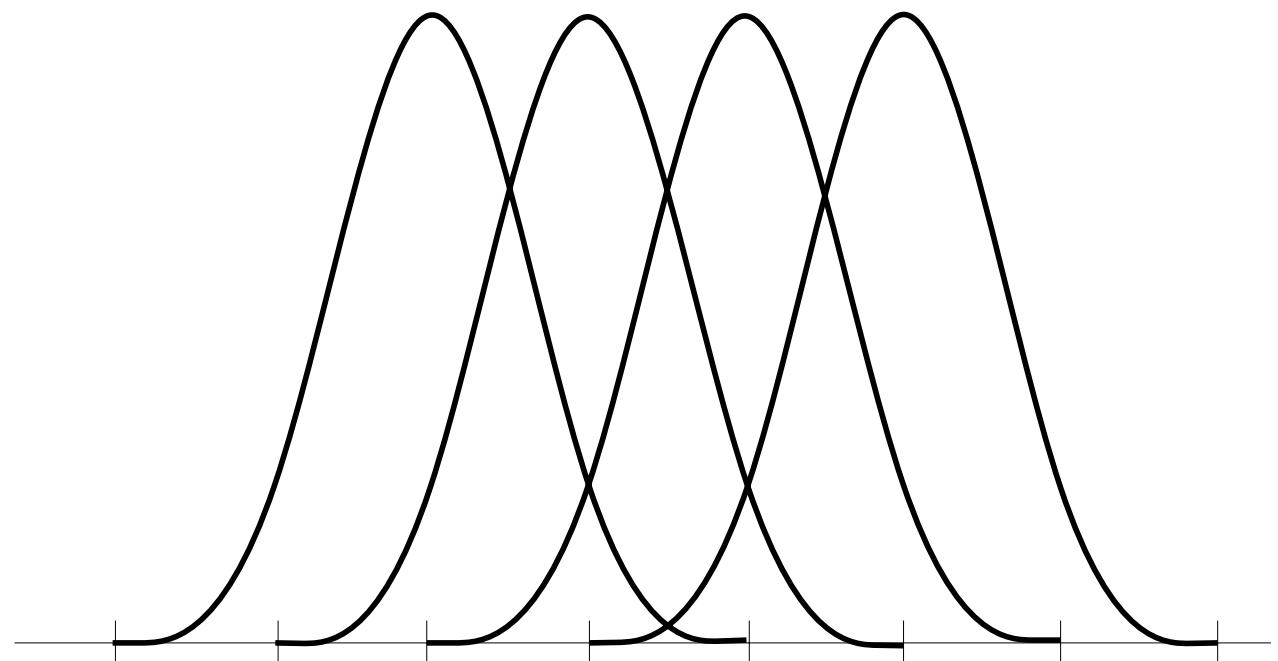
B-spline Basis Functions

- $B_{i,1}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } u_i \leq u < u_{i+1} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$
- $B_{i,k}(u) = \frac{u-u_i}{u_{i+k-1}-u_i} B_{i,k-1}(u) + \frac{u_{i+k}-u}{u_{i+k}-u_{i+1}} B_{i+1,k-1}(u).$

Basis Functions



B-Spline Basis Functions



B-spline Properties

- Control points and basis functions: $n + 1$
- Degree of basis functions: $k - 1$
- Partition of unity, positivity, and recursive evaluation basis functions
- The degree is independent of the number of control points
- The curve is $C^{(k-2)}$ continuous in general
- Local control
- Special case: Bezier splines
- Efficient algorithms & tools
 - evaluation
 - knot insertion
 - degree elevation

- **derivative, integration**
 - **continuity**
- **Composite Bezier curves for B-splines**

Another formulation

- Uniform B-spline
- Matrix representation
- Normalization to $u \in [0, 1]$
- End-point positions and tangents

$$c(0) = \frac{1}{6}(p_0 + 4p_1 + p_2)$$

$$c(1) = \frac{1}{6}(p_1 + 4p_2 + p_3)$$

$$c'(0) = \frac{1}{2}(p_2 - p_0)$$

$$c'(1) = \frac{1}{2}(p_3 - p_1)$$

$$c(u) = UM_h \begin{bmatrix} c(0) \\ c(1) \\ c'(0) \\ c'(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= UM_h M' \begin{bmatrix} p_0 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= UM\mathbf{p}$$

- **Basis matrix**

$$M = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Basis functions** ($u \in [0, 1]$):

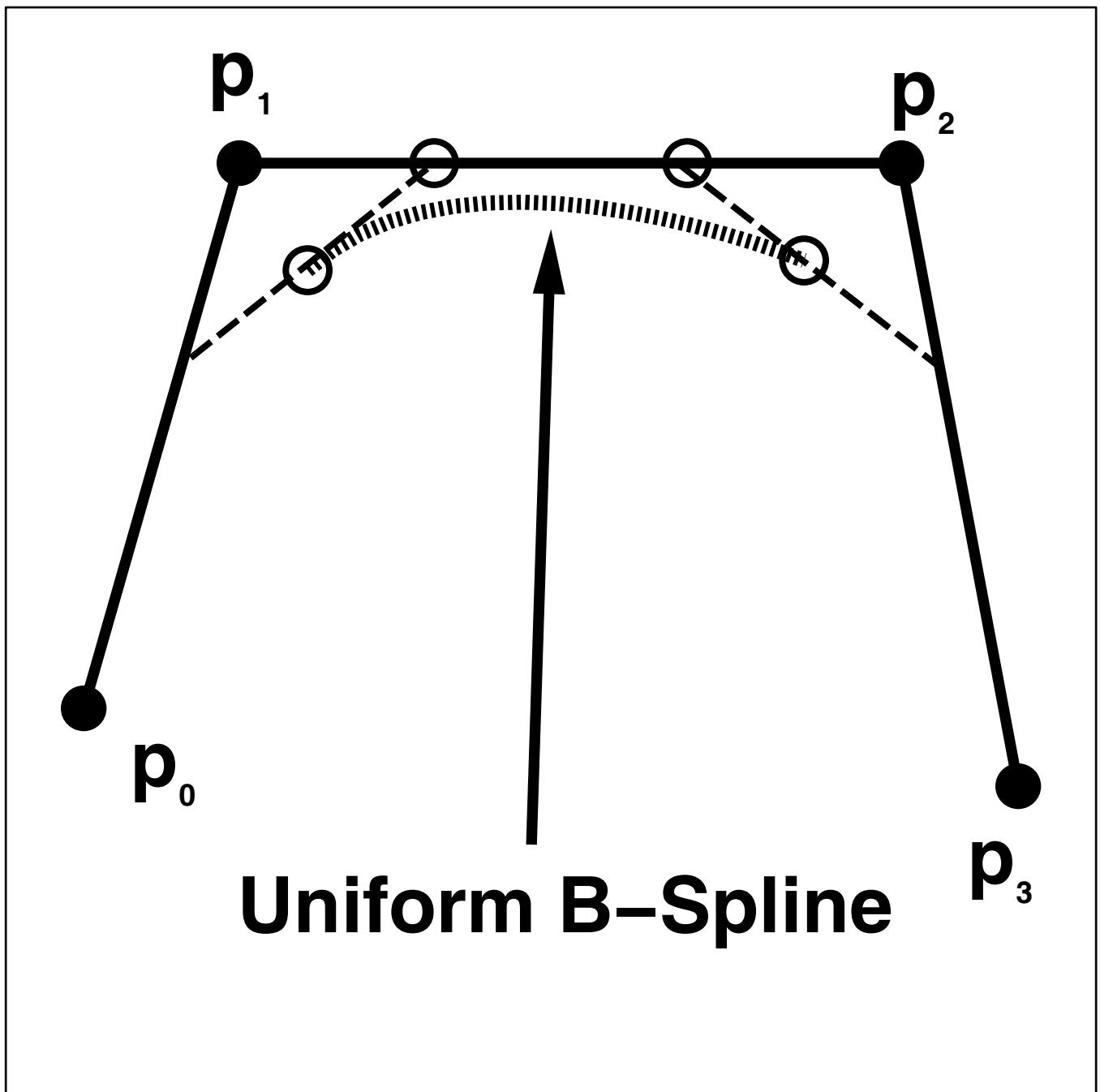
$$B_{0,4}(u) = \frac{1}{6}(1 - u)^3$$

$$B_{1,4}(u) = \frac{1}{6}(3u^3 - 6u^2 + 4)$$

$$B_{2,4}(u) = \frac{1}{6}(-3u^3 + 3u^2 + 3u + 1)$$

$$B_{3,4}(u) = \frac{1}{6}u^3$$

Uniform B-Spline



B-Spline Rendering

- Transform it to a set of Bezier curves
- Display B-Spline ($\{p_0, \dots, p_n\}$)
- For $i = 0$ to $n - k + 1$ do
 - Convert i-span controlled by p_i, \dots, p_{i+k-1} into a bezier curve represented by v_0, \dots, v_{k-1}
- Display Bezier Curve ($\{v_0, \dots, v_{k-1}\}$)

From B-splines to NURBS

- What are NURBS???
- Non Uniform Rational B-Splines (NURBS)
- Rational curve motivation
- Polynomial-based splines can not represent commonly-used analytic shapes such as conic section circles, ellipses, parabolas
- Rational splines can achieve this goal
- NURBS are a unified representation
 - polynomial, conic section, etc
 - industry standard
- NURBS Mathematics

$$c(u) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n p_i w_i B_{i,k}(u)}{\sum_{i=0}^n w_i B_{i,k}(u)}$$

- Geometric Meaning — Projection!

- B-splines

$$\mathbf{c}(u) = \sum_{i=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{i,x} w_i \\ \mathbf{p}_{i,y} w_i \\ \mathbf{p}_{i,z} w_i \\ w_i \end{bmatrix} B_{i,k}(u)$$

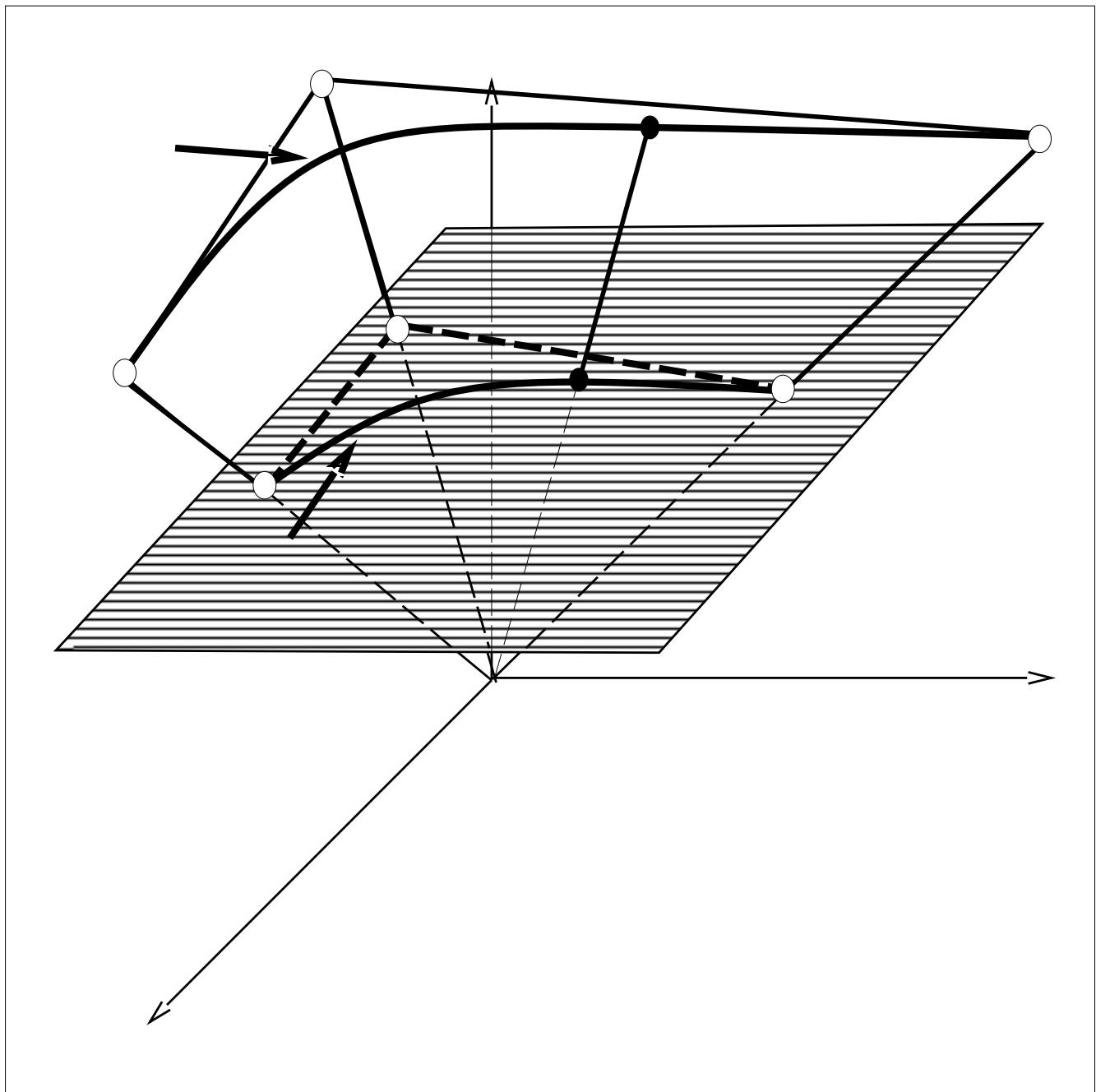
- Homogeneous representation

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(u) \\ y(u) \\ z(u) \\ w(u) \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=0}^n \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p}_i w_i \\ \mathbf{w}_i \end{bmatrix} B_{i,k}(u)$$

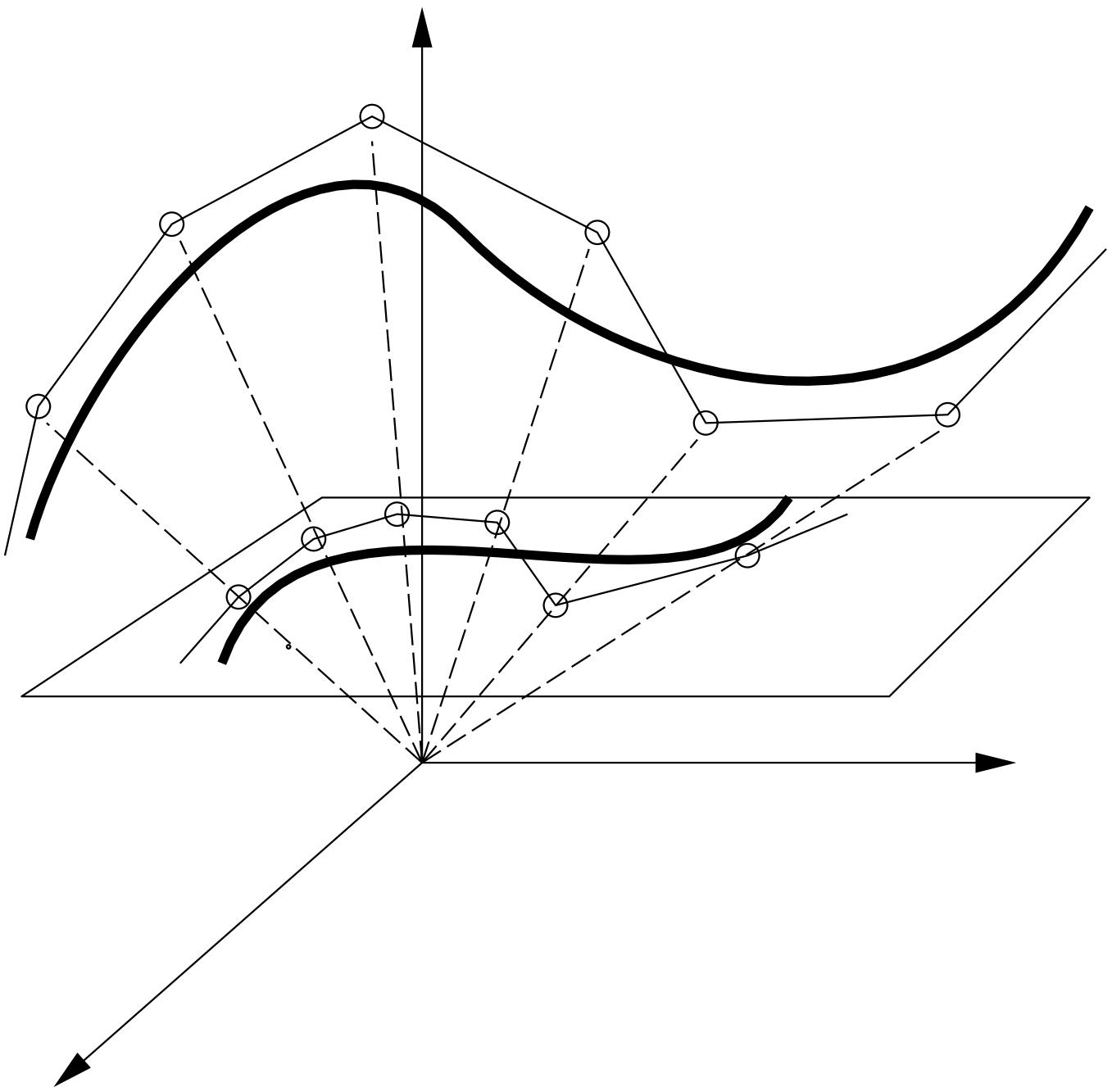
- NURBS is obtained from projection

- Properties of NURBS: represent standard shapes, invariant under perspective projection B-spline is a special case, weights as extra degrees of freedom, common analytic shapes such as circles, clear geometric meaning of weights

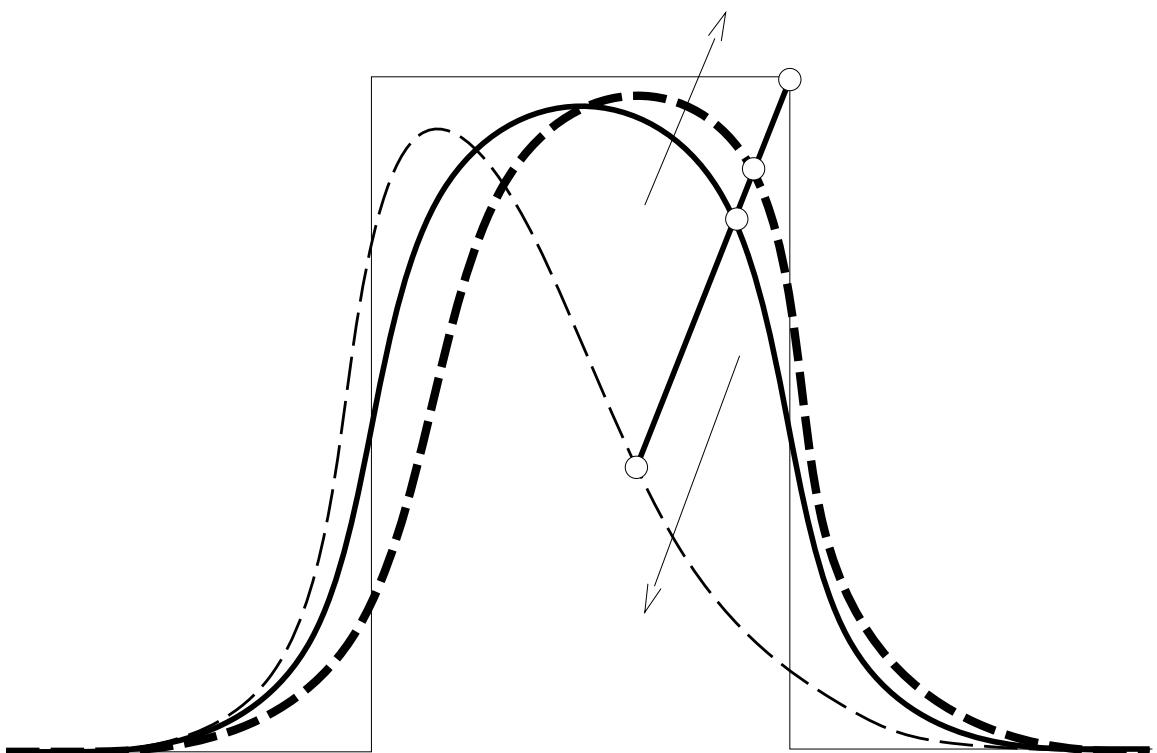
Rational Bezier Curve



From B-splines to NURBS



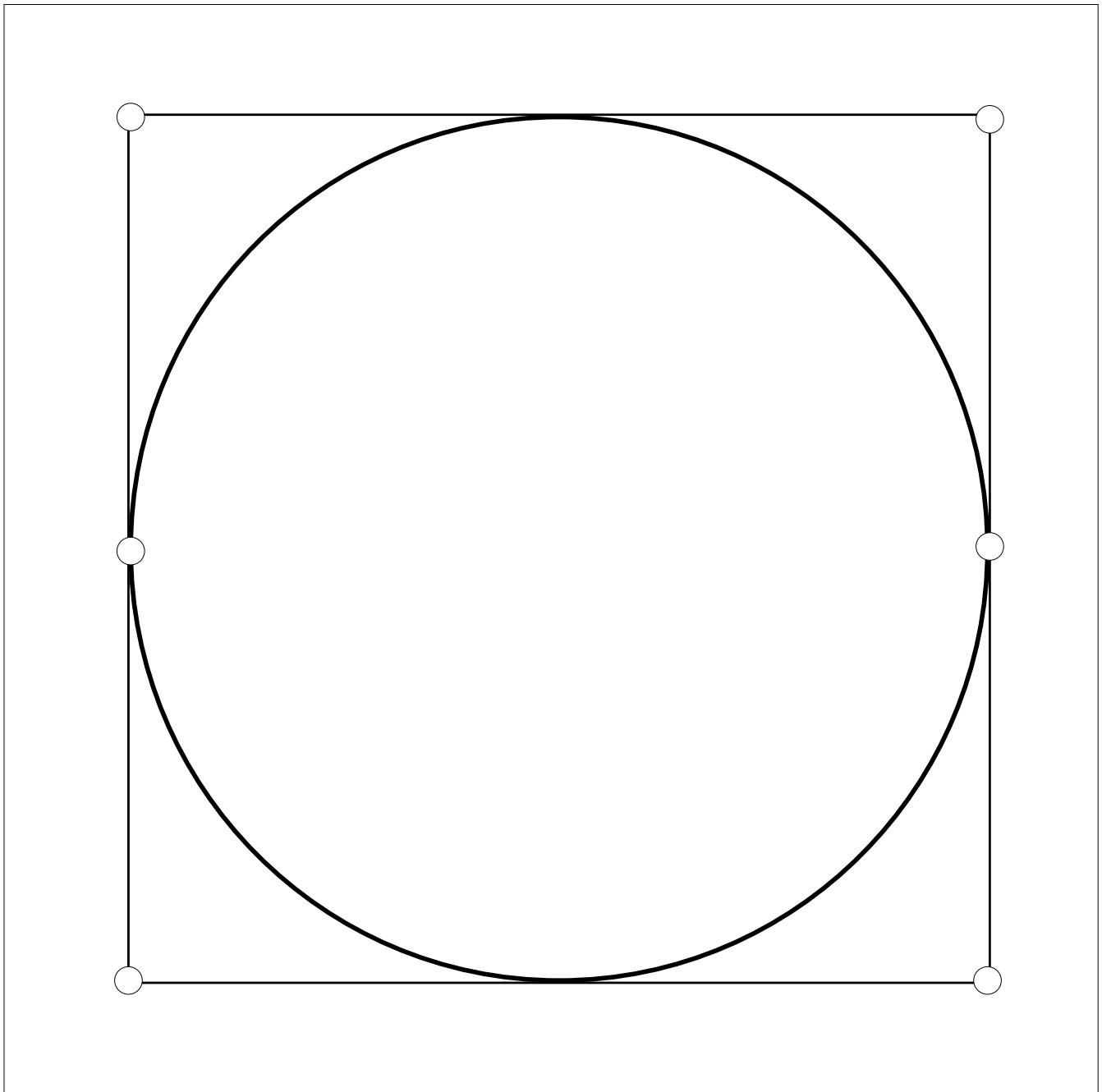
NURBS Weights



NURBS Properties

- Generalization of B-splines and Bezier splines
- Unified formulation for free-form and analytic shapes
- Weights as extra DOFs
- Various smoothness requirements
- Powerful geometric toolkits
- Efficient and fast evaluation algorithm
- Invariance under standard transformations
- Composite curves
- Continuity conditions

NURBS Circle



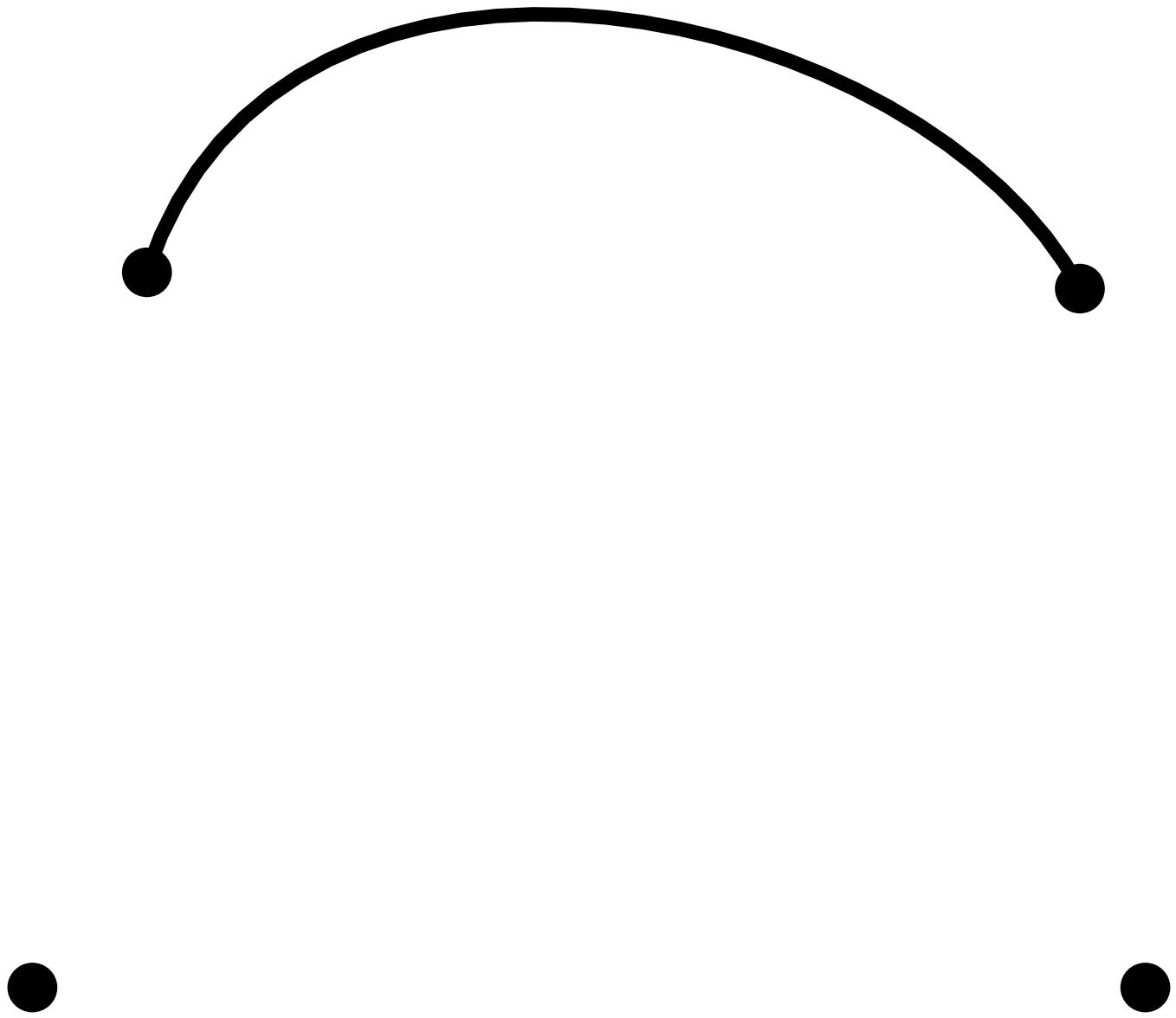
NURBS for Analytic Shapes

- Conic Sections
- Natural quadrics
- Extruded surfaces
- Ruled surfaces
- Surfaces of revolution

Cardinal Splines

- **Four vertices:** v_0 , v_1 , v_2 , and v_3 ,
- $c(0) = v_1$, $c(1) = v_2$,
- $c^{(1)}(0) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha)(v_2 - v_0)$,
- $c^{(1)}(1) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha)(v_3 - v_1)$
- **Special case:** Catmull-Rom splines when $\alpha = 0$
- **More general case:** Kochanek-Bartels splines
 - tension, bias, continuity parameters

Cardinal Splines



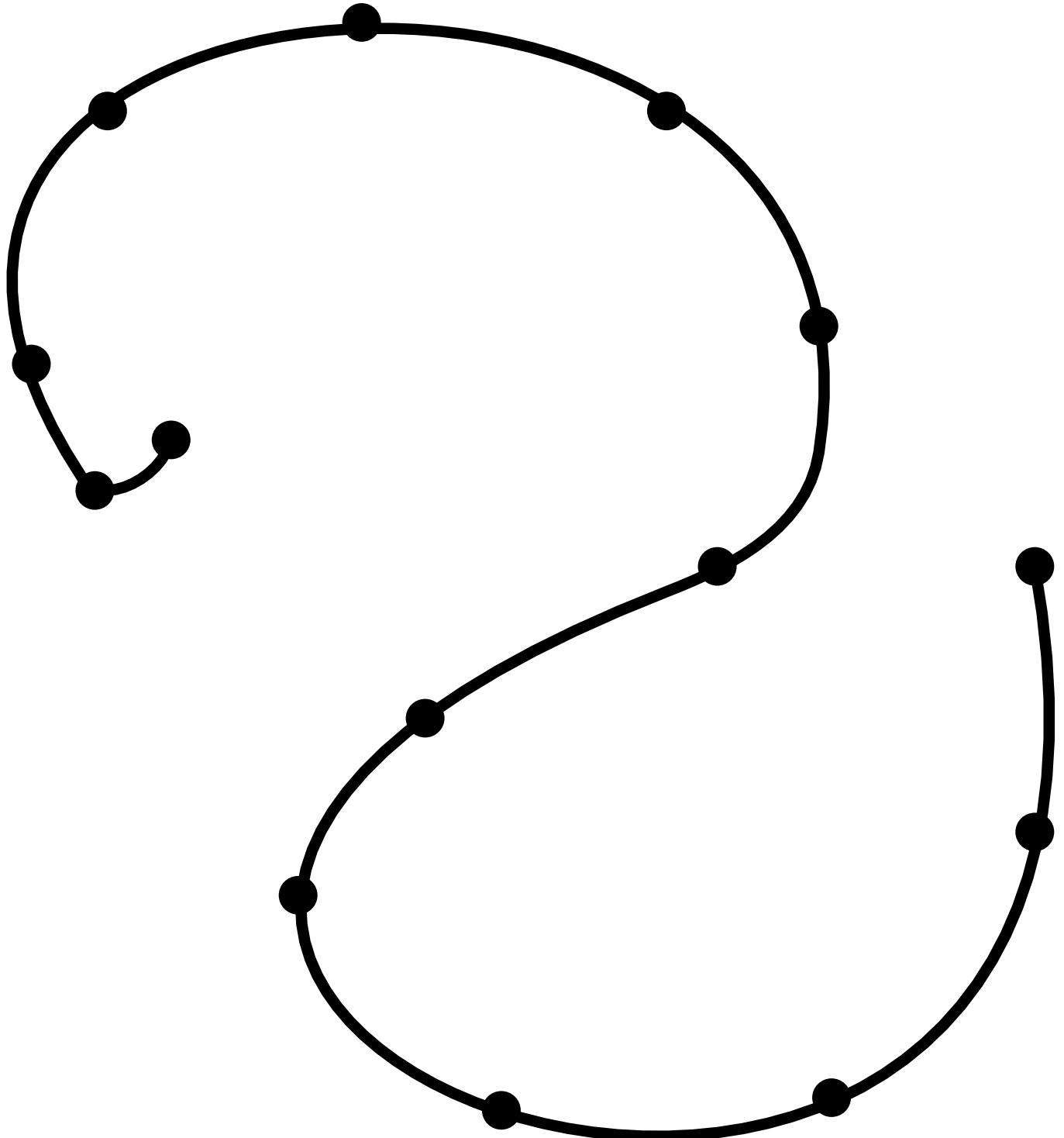
Kochanek-Bartels Splines

- **Four vertices:** v_0 , v_1 , v_2 , and v_3
- $c(0) = v_1$, $c(1) = v_2$,
- $c^{(1)}(0) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha)[(1 + \beta)(1 - \gamma)(v_1 - v_0) + (1 - \beta)(1 + \gamma)(v_2 - v_1)]$
- $c^{(1)}(1) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha)[(1 + \beta)(1 + \gamma)(v_2 - v_1) + (1 - \beta)(1 - \gamma)(v_3 - v_2)]$
- **Tension parameter:** α
- **Bias parameter:** β
- **Continuity parameter:** γ

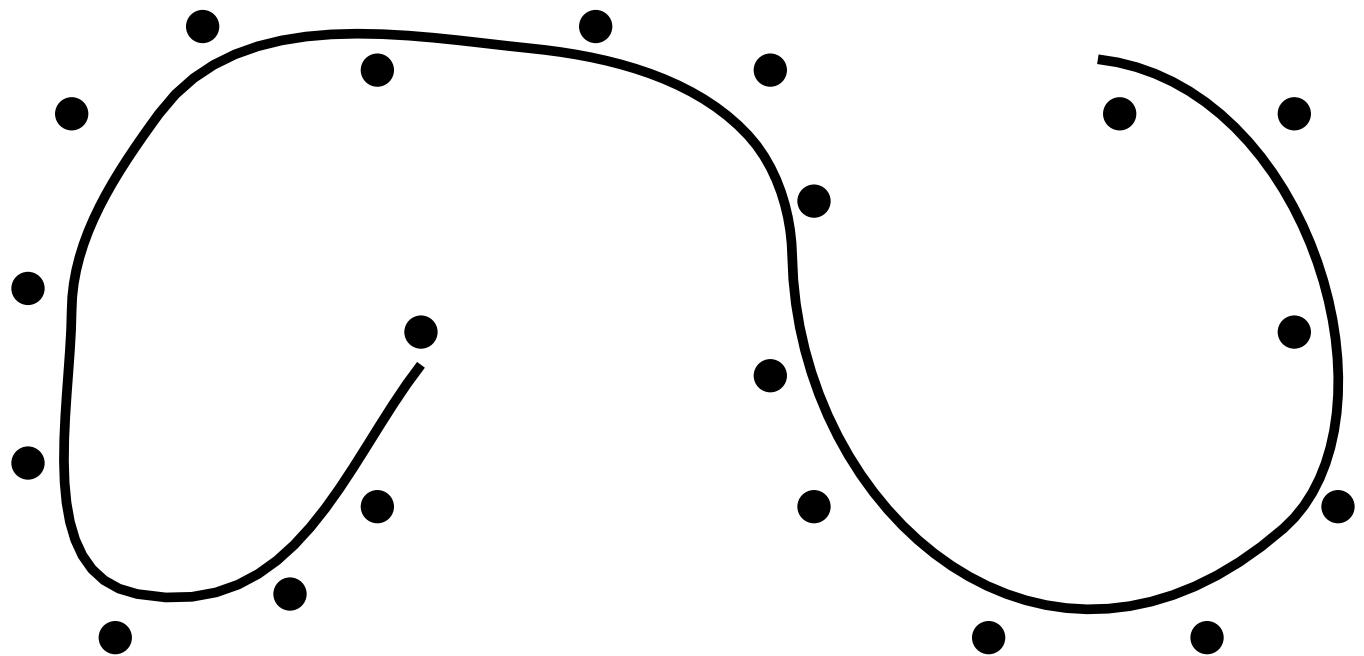
Summary

- Parametric curves and surfaces
- Polynomials and rational polynomials
- Free-form curves and surfaces
- Other commonly used geometric primitives sphere, ellipsoid, torus, superquadrics, blobby
- Motivation: fewer degrees of freedom more geometric coverage

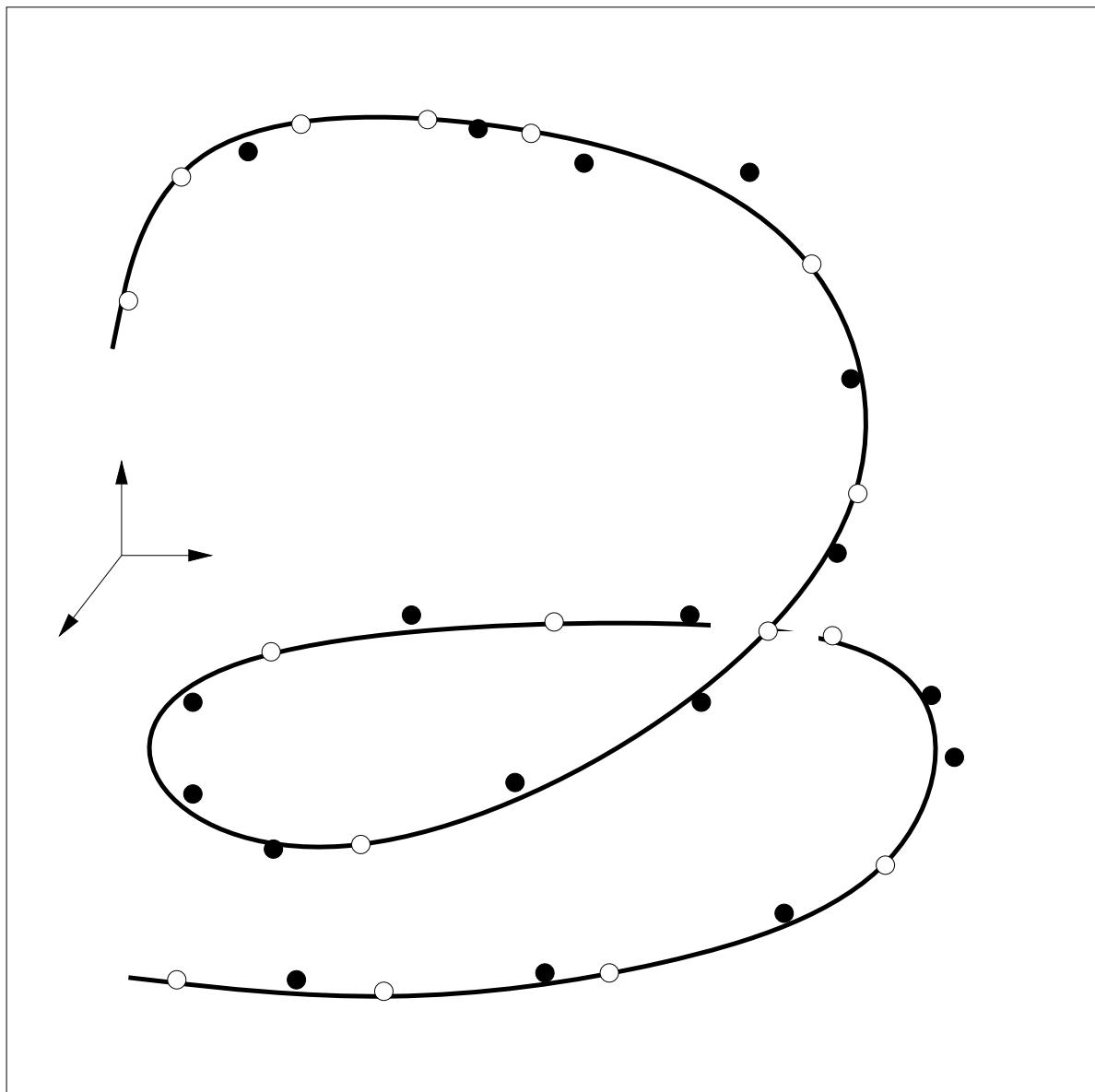
Interpolation Splines



Approximation Splines



Interpolation/Approximation

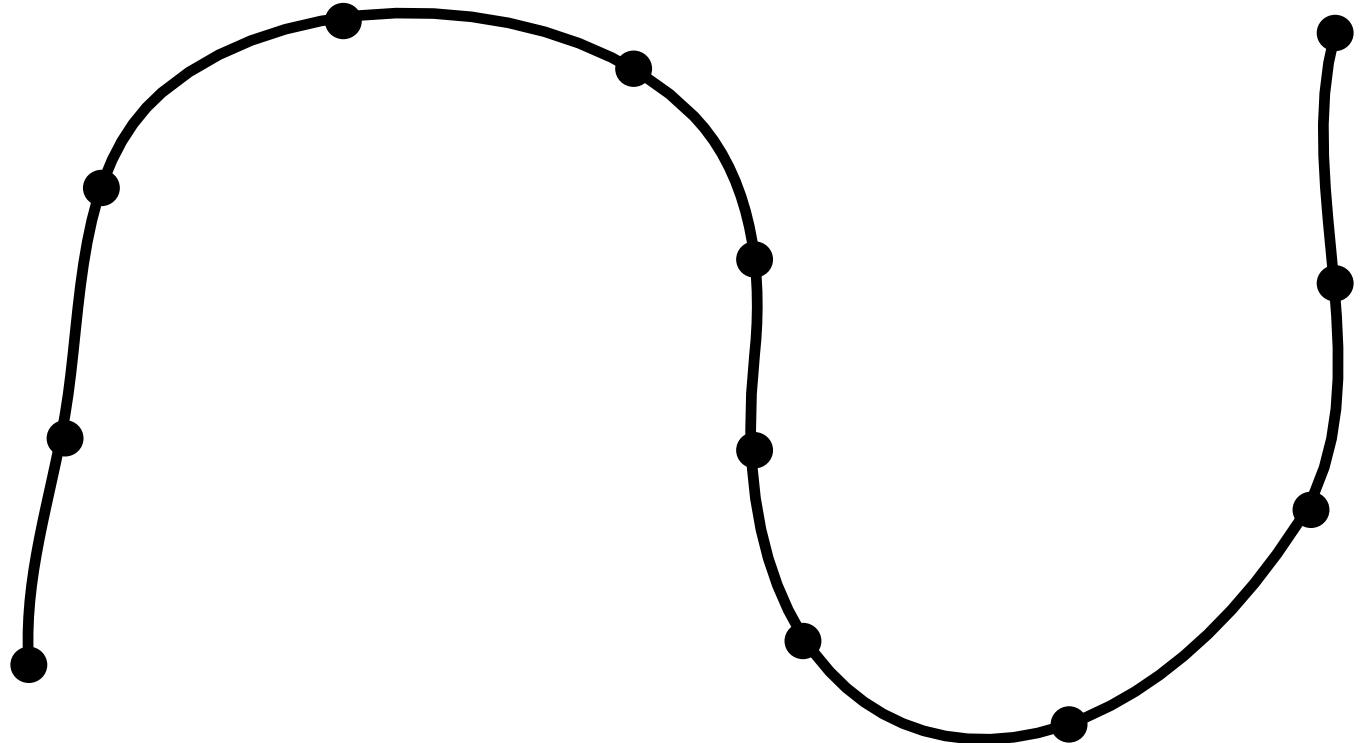


Natural C^2 Cubic Splines

- A set of piecewise cubic polynomials
- C^2 continuity at each vertex

- $\mathbf{c}_i(u) = \begin{bmatrix} x(u) \\ y(u) \\ z(u) \end{bmatrix}$

Natural C^2 Cubic Splines



From Curve to Surface

