

## Design of Bézier Curves of Some Surfaces with Matlab Applications

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**ABSTRACT.** Bézier curves are special types of curves defined by control points. The large number of control points naturally affects the form of the Bézier curve. When the control points of a Bézier curve are the points of a surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , the Bézier curve will be obtained depending on the surface as well as the control points. As the number of points on the surface increases, the obtained Bézier curve will approach the limit of positioning on the surface. The study examines this approach. In addition, the theory is exemplified using the Matlab program.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The behavior of the curve or surface around a point is considered, by mentioning the local features. The surface triangulation network, which Gauss established between 1821 and 1825 for the measurement of the kingdom of Hanover with observations of angle and length, is an important step by which differential geometry for curves and surfaces moved from theory to practice. Operating with polynomials provides great convenience in the studies carried out [7]. The history of Bernstein polynomials dates back to the Ukrainian mathematician Sergei Natanovic Bernstein (1880-1968). Bernstein's work attracted great attention in France, thanks to which he was elected as a member of the French Academy of Sciences in 1955 [14]. The definition and some properties of a Bézier curve given by the parametric equation  $P(t)$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  in terms of Bernstein polynomials were examined, and the De Casteljau algorithm was discussed.

Bézier curves and surfaces are of great importance for computer aided geometric design (CAGD). Bézier curves and surfaces were first developed independently by different mathematical approaches by French engineer Pierre Etienne Bézier (1910-1999) and French mathematician Paul de Faget De Casteljau (1930-2022) between 1958 and 1960, respectively. Pierre Etienne Bézier was a mechanical and industrial engineer; after graduation, he started to work in the mechanical method planning department of Renault in 1933. In 1960, he was transferred to the vehicle body method planning department and worked on the design of vehicle bodies ([12], [13]). The Bézier curves and surfaces theory, which developed completely with the expression of polynomial curves and surfaces in Bernstein form, was established during the period of long career of Bézier in the company and called by the name of Bézier. It was developed to define automobile body surfaces with curves that can be controlled by changing a few parameters [3].

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27 De Casteljau, who joined the Citroen company in 1958, utilized the same concept with an entirely different approach,  
 28 and introduced the De Casteljau algorithm, which was named after him. This algorithm, which contributed greatly to  
 29 the development of the concept of Bézier curves and surfaces, was equivalent to the use of Bernstein polynomials. De  
 30 Casteljau's work was kept secret by Citroen for a very long time. However, De Casteljau used these polynomials long  
 31 before Bézier realized that Bézier curves and surfaces could be expressed with Bernstein polynomials ([1], [6], [9],  
 32 [12], [13]).

## 33 2. PRELIMINARIES

34 2.1. **Bernstein polynomials.** Binomial expansion of  $(x + y)^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  given by;

$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{(n-k)} \quad (2.1)$$

35 This expansion has been known since Omar Khayyam, and the coefficients  $\binom{n}{k}$  can be given by an algorithm known  
 36 as Pascal's triangle. Bernstein gave this expansion a statistical identity if  $x$  and  $y$  are probability variables. If the  
 37 probabilities of an event are  $x$  and  $y$ , then we have the following form ;

$$x + y = 1 \quad (2.2)$$

38 So the sum of  $x + y$  can be written as the sum of  $x + (1 - x)$ . In this case, the probability expansion for the event is  
 39 given by

$$1 = (x + (1 - x))^n \quad (2.3)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k (1 - x)^{(n-k)} \quad (2.4)$$

40 The (2.4) expansion is called the Bernstein polynomial. Here, each

$$\binom{n}{k} x^k (1 - x)^{(n-k)} \quad (2.5)$$

41 term accompanying the polynomial is called the components (coefficients) of the Bernstein polynomial expansion.  
 42 Bernstein polynomials occupy an important position in the ring of polynomials, and being base property is one of its  
 43 most important properties. They are also important in the construction of Bézier curves.

44 2.2. **Basic properties of Bernstein polynomials.**

45 **Definition 2.2.1.** for  $k=0,1,2,\dots,n$ , an  $n$ -degree Bernstein polynomial is defined by the coefficients;

$$B_{k,n}(x) = \binom{n}{k} x^k (1 - x)^{n-k} \quad (2.6)$$

46 Where we have the following equality

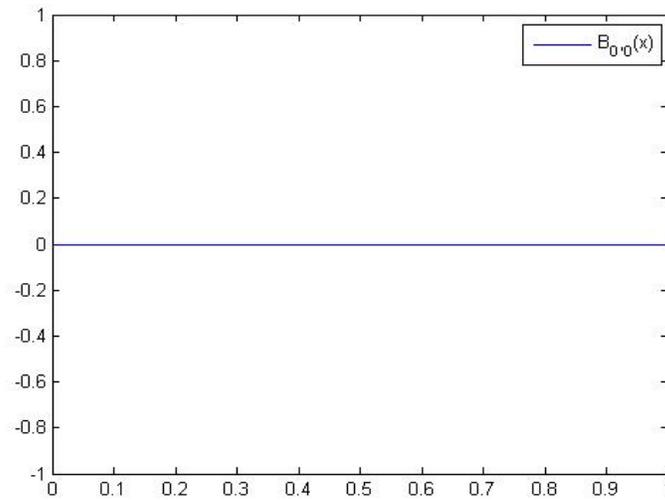
$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \quad (2.7)$$

47 It is pretty easy to write these polynomials. Coefficients  $\binom{n}{k}$  can be easily obtained from Pascal's triangle; As  $k$   
 48 increases, the exponent of the  $x$  term increases by one, and the exponent of the  $(1 - x)$  term decreases by one. The  
 49 zeroth, first, second, and third-order Bernstein polynomials can be calculated as follows:

50 The Bernstein polynomial of degree zero is defined as

$$B_{0,0}(x) = 1 \quad (2.8)$$

51 and the graph for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  can be drawn as follows (Figure 2.1) [7].



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53 **Figure 2.1.** Graph of a zero-order Bernstein polynomial.

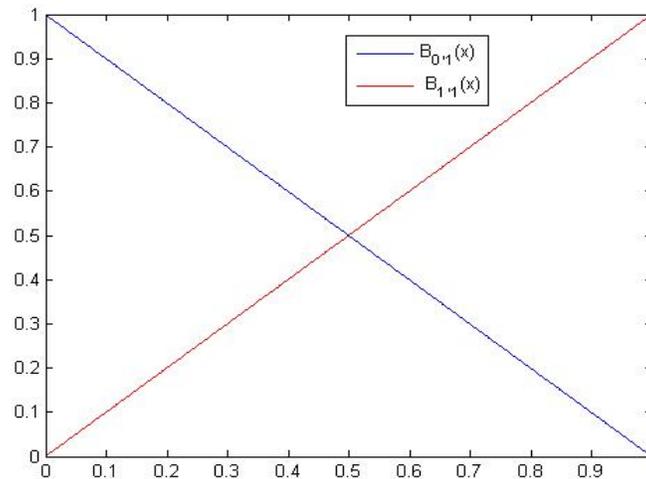
54 Bernstein polynomials of degree one are obtained as

$$B_{0,1}(x) = \binom{1}{0} x^0(1-x)^{1-0} = (1-x) \quad (2.9)$$

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$$B_{1,1}(x) = \binom{1}{1} x^1(1-x)^{1-1} = x \quad (2.10)$$

56 And the graph for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  can be drawn as follows (Figure 2.2)



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58 **Figure 2.2.** Graph of first-order Bernstein polynomials.

59 Bernstein polynomials of degree two are obtained as

$$B_{0,2}(x) = \binom{2}{0} x^0(1-x)^{2-0} = (1-x)^2 \quad (2.11)$$

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$$B_{1,2}(x) = \binom{2}{1} x^1(1-x)^{2-1} = 2x(1-x) \quad (2.12)$$

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$$B_{2,2}(x) = \binom{2}{2} x^2(1-x)^{2-2} = x^2 \quad (2.13)$$

62 and the graph for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  can be drawn as follows (Figure 2.3).

63 The Bernstein polynomial of degree three is defined as

$$B_{0,3}(x) = \binom{3}{0} x^0(1-x)^{3-0} = (1-x)^3 \quad (2.14)$$

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$$B_{1,3}(x) = \binom{3}{1} x^1(1-x)^{3-1} = 3x(1-x)^2 \quad (2.15)$$

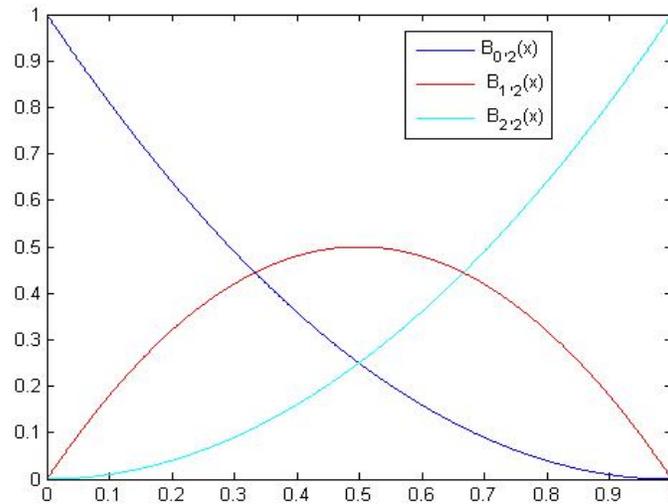
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$$B_{2,3}(x) = \binom{3}{2} x^2(1-x)^{3-2} = 3x^2(1-x) \quad (2.16)$$

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$$B_{3,3}(x) = \binom{3}{3} x^3(1-x)^{3-3} = x^3 \quad (2.17)$$

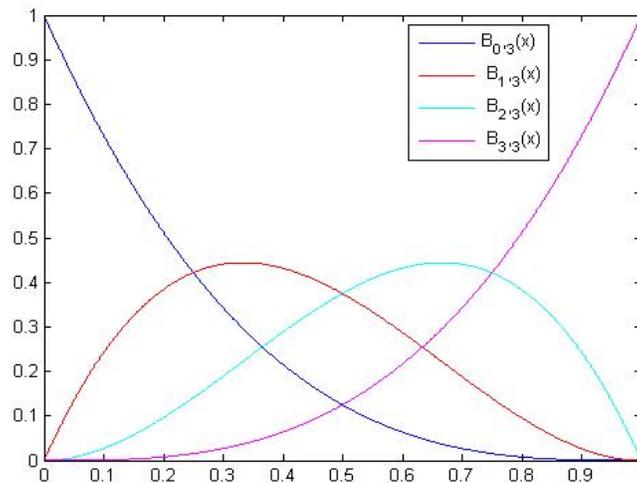
67 and the graph for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$  can be drawn as follows (Figure 2.4).



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**Figure 2.3.** Graphs of quadratic Bernstein polynomials.



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**Figure 2.4.** Graph of third-order Bernstein polynomials.

72 **2.3. Matrix representation for Bernstein polynomials.** Matrix representation for Bernstein polynomials is useful in  
 73 practice. If viewed in terms of linear combinations of dot products, they can be developed directly. Let

$$B(x) = c_0 B_{0,n}(x) + c_1 B_{1,n}(x) + \dots + c_n B_{n,n}(x) \tag{2.18}$$

74 be a polynomial given as a linear combination of Bernstein basis functions. It is easy to write this equation as the dot  
 75 product of two vectors as follow;

$$B(x) = [B_{0,n}(x) \ B_{1,n}(x) \ \dots \ B_{n,n}(x)] \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.19}$$

76 When we arrange equation (2.19) it turns into following form

$$B(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 & \dots & x^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{0,0} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ b_{1,0} & b_{1,1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ b_{2,0} & b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ b_{n,0} & b_{n,1} & b_{n,2} & \dots & b_{n,n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.20}$$

77 Here  $b_{i,j}$  are the coefficients of the power base used to determine the related Bernstein polynomial. Matrix representa-  
 78 tion in quadratic case (for  $n = 2$ )

$$B(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{2.21}$$

79 and matrix representation in cubic case (for  $n = 3$ )

$$80 \ B(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & x^2 & x^3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} [7].$$

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### 83 3. BÉZIER CURVES AND DE CASTELJAU ALGORITHM

84 In this section, Bézier curves and Bernstein polynomials were used in obtaining these curves and some properties  
 85 of them were given.

86 The Bézier curve is defined by control points and a basis function to construct them. The first and last control point  
 87 selected creates the beginning and end of the curve. Other points in between were used to determine the structure of  
 88 the curve. In this context, these points are usually not located on the curve [2].

#### 89 3.1. Creating the Bézier curve segment.

90 **Definition 3.1.1.** When given the points  $P_0$  and  $P_1$  in  $E^n$  ( $n = 2, 3$ ) Euclidean space, any point on the line segment  
 91  $\overline{P_0P_1}$  is represented by  $P_0^1(t)$ ;

$$P(t) = P_0^1(t) = (1 - t)P_0 + tP_1 \quad ; t \in [0, 1]. \tag{3.1}$$

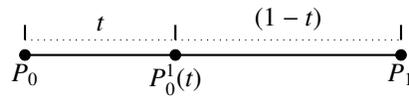
92 This equation forms the parameterization of a linear curve segment. Here;

$$83 \ B_0^1(t) = (1 - t) \tag{3.2}$$

$$84 \ B_1^1(t) = t \tag{3.3}$$

94 called first-order Bernstein polynomials and control points  $P_0$  and  $P_1$

95 (Fig. 3.1) ([8], [11]).



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**Figure 3.1.** Representation of  $P_0^1(t)$  with respect to  $P_0$  and  $P_1$ .

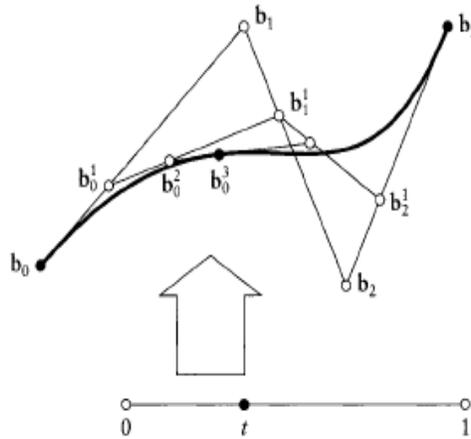
98 **3.2. De Casteljau algorithm.** Although this algorithm is one of the most basic in curve space and surface design,  
 99 it is surprisingly simple. The main interesting point is a good interplay between geometry and algebra. An intuitive  
 100 geometric structure leads to a strong theory.

101 **Definition 3.2.1.**  $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{E}^3$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  for

$$b_i^r(t) = (1-t)b_i^{r-1}(t) + tb_{i+1}^{r-1}(t) \begin{cases} r = 1, \dots, n \\ i = 0, \dots, n-r \end{cases} \quad (3.4)$$

102 and  $b_i^0(t) = b_i$ . Then  $b_0^n(t)$ ,  $b^n$  is on the Bézier curve,  $t$  is the parameter-valued point. So  $b^n(t) = b_0^n(t)$ .

103 The polygon  $P$  formed by  $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n$  is called the Bézier polygon or control polygon of the  $b^n$  (in the cubic case,  
 104 there are four control points). Similarly, the  $b_i$  polygon vertices are called control points or Bézier points. The figure  
 105 below shows the cubic case (Fig. 3.2).



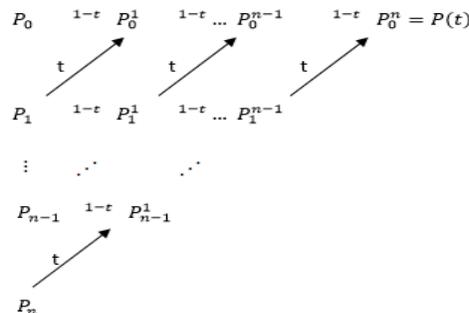
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**Figure 3.2.** De Casteljau algorithm:  $b_0^3(t)$  point iterative linear interpolation.

108 Sometimes with  $b^n(t) = B[b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n; t] = B[P; t]$  or equivalently shorter  $b^n = B[b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n] = BP$  We can  
 109 also show it with. This notation defines  $B$  as the linear operator that associates its control polygon with the Bézier  
 110 curve. It can be said that the curve  $B[b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n]$  is the Bernstein-Bézier approximation to the control point.  $b_i^r(t)$   
 111 intermediate coefficients were written in accordance with a triangular array of points [6].

112 **3.3. De Casteljau algorithm for the Bézier curve.** The Bézier curve is created with the help of control points as  
 113 follows (Figure 3.3):



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**Figure 3.3.** De Casteljau algorithm for the Bézier curve.

116 This expression provides the De Casteljau algorithm for the Bézier curve. The De Casteljau algorithm provides a  
 117 method for calculating a point on a Bézier curve. The following theorem expresses the De Casteljau algorithm [4].

118 **Theorem 3.3.1.** Let  $P_0, P_1, \dots, P_n$  be a Bézier curve  $P(t)$  formed by the control points. In this case

$$P_i^j(t) = (1-t)P_i^{j-1}(t) + tP_{i+1}^{j-1}(t) \quad ; i = 0, \dots, n-j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n \quad (3.5)$$

119 where  $P_i^0 = P_i$  and  $P(t) = P_0^n$  ( $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ) ([5], [11]).

120 Let's state this theorem as follows; The De Casteljau algorithm emerges from the recursion property of the Bernstein  
 121 polynomial. Similarly;

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) &= \sum_{i=0}^n P_i B_i^n(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_i ((1-t)B_i^{n-1}(t) + tB_{i-1}^{n-1}(t)) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n (1-t)P_i B_i^{n-1}(t) + \sum_{i=0}^n tP_i B_{i-1}^{n-1}(t) \end{aligned}$$

123 obtained. Since  $B_n^{n-1}(t) = 0$  and  $B_{-1}^{n-1}(t) = 0$  we get

$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1-t)P_i B_i^{n-1}(t) + \sum_{i=1}^n tP_i B_{i-1}^{n-1}(t) \quad (3.6)$$

124 In the second sum of (3.6), if the expression is rewritten by replacing  $i$  with  $i+1$ ;

$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1-t)P_i B_i^{n-1}(t) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} tP_{i+1} B_i^{n-1}(t)$$

126 obtained. for  $i = 0, \dots, n-1$  if  $P_i^1 = (1-t)P_i + tP_{i+1} = (1-t)P_i^0 + tP_{i+1}^0$  is taken;

$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} P_i^1 B_i^{n-1}(t)$$

127 obtained. Here  $P(t)$  represents an  $(n-1)$  degree Bézier curve with control points  
 128  $P_0^1, \dots, P_{n-1}^1$ . If we proceed in a similar way we get;

$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} P_i^2 B_i^{n-2}(t)$$

130 Here for  $i = 0, \dots, n-2$   $P_i^2 = (1-t)P_i^1 + tP_{i+1}^1$ . Similarly,

$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-j} P_i^j B_i^{n-j}(t)$$

132 obtained. Here; for  $i = 0, \dots, n-j$   $P_i^j = (1-t)P_i^{j-1} + tP_{i+1}^{j-1}$ .

133 Specifically, the final equation for,  $n = j$  :

$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^0 P_i^0 B_i^0(t) = P_0^0$$

134 obtained.

135 **Definition 3.3.2.** for  $t \in [0, 1]$  given the points  $P_0, P_1$  and  $P_2$  in  $E^n$  ( $n = 2, 3$ ) Euclidean space,

$$\begin{aligned} P_0^1(t) &= (1-t)P_0 + tP_1 \\ P_1^1(t) &= (1-t)P_1 + tP_2 \\ P_0^2(t) &= (1-t)P_0^1(t) + tP_1^1(t) \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

138 with the help of the equations,

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) &= P_0^2(t) \\ &= (1-t)^2 P_0 + 2(1-t)t P_1 + t^2 P_2 \end{aligned}$$

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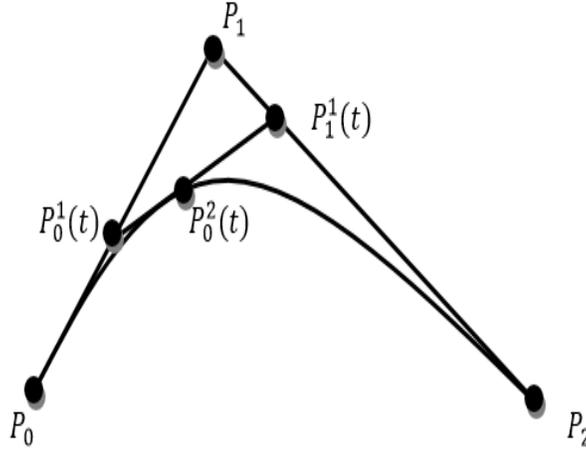
$$= \sum_{i=0}^2 P_i B_i^2(t) \quad (3.8)$$

141 quadratic Bézier curve is defined. Here;

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$$\begin{aligned} B_0^2(t) &= (1-t)^2 \\ B_1^2(t) &= 2(1-t)t \\ B_2^2(t) &= t^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

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144 with the quadratic Bernstein polynomials  $P_0$ ,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are called control points (see Fig. 3.5)

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**Figure 3.4.** Quadratic Bézier curve formed by control points  $P_0$ ,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$

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147 The triangle obtained by combining the control points  $P_0, P_1$  ve  $P_2$  with the line segments in the prescribed order is  
148 called the control polygon. ([8], [11]).

149 **Definition 3.3.3.** Given the points  $P_0, P_1, P_2$  and  $P_3$  in  $E^n (n = 2, 3)$  Euclidean space for  $t \in [0, 1]$ ;

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$$P_0^1(t) = (1-t)P_0 + tP_1$$

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$$P_1^1(t) = (1-t)P_1 + tP_2$$

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$$P_2^1(t) = (1-t)P_2 + tP_3$$

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$$P_0^2(t) = (1-t)P_0^1(t) + tP_1^1(t) \quad (3.10)$$

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$$P_1^2(t) = (1-t)P_1^1(t) + tP_2^1(t)$$

$$P_0^3(t) = (1-t)P_0^2(t) + tP_1^2(t)$$

155 with the help of equations given below;

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$$P(t) = P_0^3(t)$$

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$$= (1-t)^3 P_0 + 3(1-t)^2 t P_1 + 3(1-t)t^2 P_2 + t^3 P_3$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^3 P_i B_i^3(t) \quad (3.11)$$

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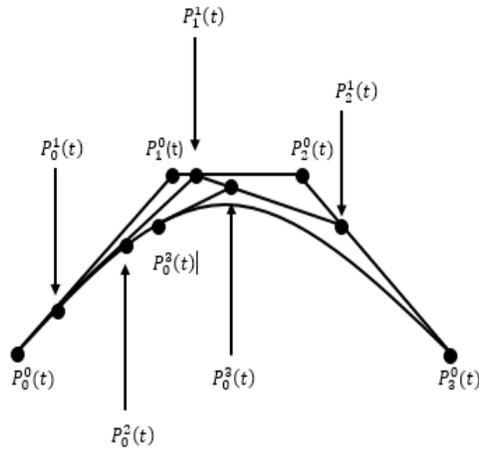
$$B_1^3(t) = 3(1-t)^2 t$$

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$$B_2^3(t) = 3(1-t)t^2 \quad (3.12)$$

$$B_3^3(t) = t^3$$

162 third-order Bernstein polynomials and  $P_0, P_1, P_2$  and  $P_3$  are also called control points (see Fig. 3.6).



**Figure 3.5.** Cubic Bézier curve formed by control points  $P_0, P_1, P_2$  and  $P_3$ .

The polygon obtained by combining the control points  $P_0, P_1, P_2$  and  $P_3$  with the line segments in the prescribed order is called the control polygon. ([8], [11]).

**Definition 3.3.4.** For each  $t \in [0, 1]$  when given the control points

$P_0, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  in Euclidean space  $E^n (n = 2, 3)$

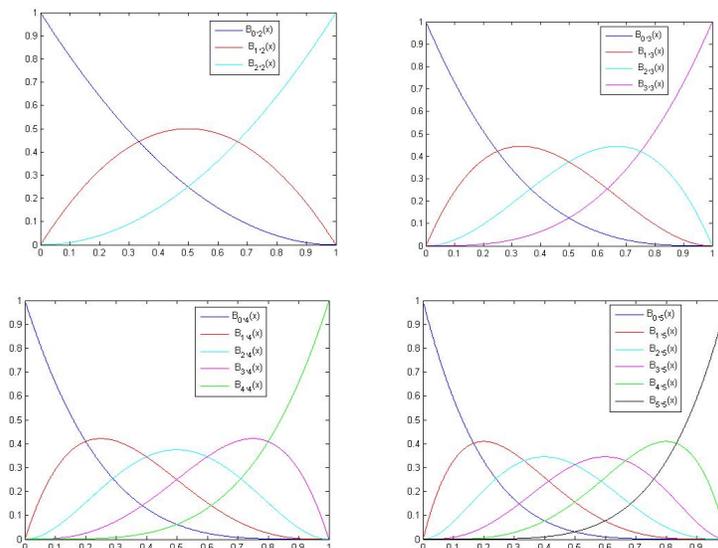
$$P(t) = \sum_{i=0}^n P_i B_i^n(t) \tag{3.13}$$

the parametric equation is called the Bézier curve formed by these control points. Here;

$$B_i^n(t) = \binom{n}{i} (1-t)^{n-i} t^i \quad ; 0 \leq i \leq n \tag{3.14}$$

are called  $n$ -degree Bernstein polynomials. The polygon obtained with the help of line segments of control points  $P_0, P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  formed in the prescribed order is called the control polygon [11].

In Figure 3.7 also 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th degree Bernstein polynomials are given, respectively.



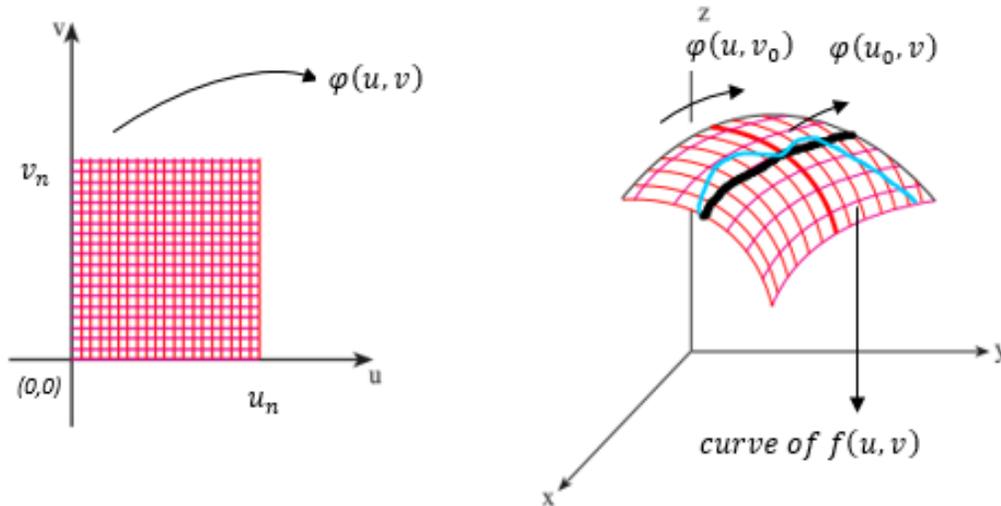
**Figure 3.6.** 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th order Bernstein polynomials.

4. BÉZIER CURVES OF SURFACE CURVES IN  $\mathbb{R}^3$  AND MATLAB APPLICATIONS

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177 4.1. **Bézier curves of surface curves in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .** Bézier curves of the control points are calculated by taking a curve on a  
 178 surface, and then by taking a certain number of control points on the curve.

179 Let a surface in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  be given by the parameterization  $\varphi(u, v)$ . With the constant selections of  $u = u_0$  and  $v = v_0$ ,  
 180 the parameter curves of the surface are obtained. In addition, any curves on the surface are obtained with the relation  
 181  $f(u, v) = 0$  (Figure 4.1).



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**Figure 4.1.** Parametric curves on the surface  $\varphi(u, v)$ .

184 Let a curve  $f(u, v) = 0$  be chosen on the surface  $\varphi(u, v)$ . Consider the curves  $u = f(v)$  from  $f(u, v) = 0$ . The  
 185 points  $P_0$  and  $P_n$  are obtained for  $u = 0$  and  $u = u_n$ . The points  $P_0, P_1, \dots, P_n$  can be calculated with a partition of  $u$ ;  
 186  $\{u_0, u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ . Let  $B_z(u)$  or  $P(u)$  is the Bézier curve that accepts the points  $P_0, P_1, \dots, P_n$  as control points. The  
 187 Bézier curve with  $(n + 1)$  control points corresponding to the curve  $f(u, v) = 0$  are coincident curves for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

188 This method is valid for any space curves, and there are many reasons for getting a curve on the surface, among  
 189 which one is that the surface acts as a panel in CAGD. Another reason is to create a preparation to obtain a Bézier  
 190 surface corresponding to a surface with the algorithm here.

191 Examples of Bézier curves belonging to curves on a right circular cylinder and sphere surface are provided, then  
 192 algorithms and Matlab applications are demonstrated.

193 **Example 4.1.1.** Let's draw the Bézier curve on the helix curve that provides the relation  $v = u$  on the vertical circular  
 194 cylinder surface  $\varphi(u, v) = (\cos u, \sin u, v)$ ;

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$$\varphi(u, v) = (\cos u, \sin u, v)$$

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$$v = u$$

$$\varphi(u) = (\cos u, \sin u, u)$$

197 Here,  $\varphi(u)$  are  $u$ -parameter curves. These curves are the helix curves on the cylinder surface  $\varphi(u, v)$ . A parameter  
 198 curve on the vertical circular cylinder surface and five control points on this curve are taken. Then, the Bézier curve of  
 199 these control points is computed. The Matlab algorithm of the Bézier curves of five or more control points is given and  
 200 their graphs are drawn;

201 \* for  $u = 0$

$$\varphi(0) = (\cos(0), \sin(0), 0) \rightarrow P_0$$

202 \* for  $u = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\varphi\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \rightarrow P_1$$

203 \* for  $u = \pi$

$$\varphi(\pi) = (\cos(\pi), \sin(\pi), \pi) \rightarrow P_2$$

204 \* for  $u = \frac{3\pi}{2}$

$$\varphi\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = \left(\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right), \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right), \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) \rightarrow P_3$$

205 \*and for  $u = 2\pi$

$$\varphi(2\pi) = (\cos(2\pi), \sin(2\pi), 2\pi) \rightarrow P_4$$

206 is obtained.

207 For  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n, n + 1$  Bernstein polynomials of order  $n$  are

$$B_{k,n}(t) = \binom{n}{k} t^k (1-t)^{n-k}$$

208 and Bernstein polynomials of degree four are

$$B_{0,4}(t) = \binom{4}{0} t^0 (1-t)^{4-0} = (1-t)^4$$

209

$$B_{1,4}(t) = \binom{4}{1} t(1-t)^{4-1} = 4t(1-t)^3$$

210

$$B_{2,4}(t) = \binom{4}{2} t^2(1-t)^{4-2} = 6t^2(1-t)^2$$

211

$$B_{3,4}(t) = \binom{4}{3} t^3(1-t)^{4-3} = 4t^3(1-t)$$

212

$$B_{4,4}(t) = \binom{4}{4} t^4(1-t)^{4-4} = t^4.$$

213 According to these polynomials while the  $t$  parameter changes between 0 and 1 a curve was drawn between the first  
214 point ( $P_0$ ) and the last point ( $P_4$ ).

215 The ( $P_1, P_2, P_3$ ) points would not lie on this curve unless the five points are on a straight line. In fact, the coordinates  
216 of the points on a 4th-order Bézier curve are a weighted average of the coordinates of the five control points used to  
217 describe that curve. As we increase the number of control points, we see that the Bézier curve gets closer and closer to  
218 this curve.

$$P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n P_k \binom{n}{k} t^k (1-t)^{n-k}$$

219

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

220

$$P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^4 P_k \binom{4}{k} t^k (1-t)^{4-k} = P_0 \binom{4}{0} t^0 (1-t)^4 + P_1 \binom{4}{1} t(1-t)^3$$

$$+ P_2 \binom{4}{2} t^2(1-t)^2 + P_3 \binom{4}{3} t^3(1-t) + P_4 \binom{4}{4} t^4(1-t)^0$$

221

$$P(t) = (1-t)^4 P_0 + 4t(1-t)^3 P_1 + 6t^2(1-t)^2 P_2 + 4t^3(1-t) P_3 + t^4 P_4$$

222

$$P(t) = (1-t)^4 (\cos(0), \sin(0), 0) + 4t(1-t)^3 \left(\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right), \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$+ 6t^2(1-t)^2 (\cos(\pi), \sin(\pi), \pi)$$

$$+ 4t^3(1-t) \left(\cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right), \sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right), \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$$

$$+ t^4 (\cos(2\pi), \sin(2\pi), 2\pi)$$

223 Here helix curve was generated on the cylinder surface and the Bézier curve was computed with the five control  
224 points on this helix curve.

225 **Example 4.1.2.** Let's find constant curves  $v = \frac{\pi}{4}$  on the unit sphere centered at origin  $\varphi(u, v) = (\cos u \sin v, \sin u \sin v, \cos v)$ .

226

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$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(u) &= \left( \cos u \sin \frac{\pi}{4}, \sin u \sin \frac{\pi}{4}, \cos \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos u, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin u, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)\end{aligned}$$

228 Here,  $\varphi(u)$  are  $u$ -parameter curves. These curves are the circle curves on the sphere surface. By taking the circle curve  
229 on the sphere surface and four control points on this curve, the Bézier curve of these control points is computed. The  
230 Matlab algorithm of the Bézier curve of the ten control points is given and its graph is drawn. That is;

231 for  $u = 0$ ,

$$\varphi(0) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos 0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin 0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \rightarrow P_0$$

232 for  $u = \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,

$$\varphi\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \rightarrow P_1$$

233 for  $u = \pi$ ,

$$\varphi(\pi) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos \pi, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin \pi, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \rightarrow P_2$$

234 and for  $u = \frac{3\pi}{2}$ ,

$$\varphi\left(\frac{3\pi}{2}\right) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \rightarrow P_3$$

236 is obtained.

$$P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n P_k \binom{n}{k} t^k (1-t)^{n-k}$$

237

$$P(t) = \sum_{k=0}^3 P_k \binom{3}{k} t^k (1-t)^{3-k} = P_0 \binom{3}{0} t^0 (1-t)^3 + P_1 \binom{3}{1} t (1-t)^2 + P_2 \binom{3}{2} t^2 (1-t) + P_3 \binom{3}{3} t^3 (1-t)^0$$

238

$$P(t) = (1-t)^3 P_0 + 3t(1-t)^2 P_1 + 3t^2(1-t) P_2 + t^3 P_3$$

239

$$\begin{aligned}P(t) &= (1-t)^3 \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos 0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin 0, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) + 3t(1-t)^2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \\ &\quad + 3t^2(1-t) \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos \pi, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin \pi, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) + t^3 \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin \frac{3\pi}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right).\end{aligned}$$

240 **Example 4.1.3.** Let's draw the Bézier curve of Saddle surface241  $\varphi(u, v) = (\sqrt{u} \cos v, \sqrt{u} \sin v, u \cos v \sin v)$  on  $u$ -parameter curve with  $u = 0.5v$ ;

$$\varphi(v) = (\sqrt{0.5v} \cos v, \sqrt{0.5v} \sin v, 0.5v \cos v \sin v)$$

242 By taking a parameter curve on the Saddle surface and seven control points on this curve, the Bézier curve of these  
243 control points is computed.

$$P(t) = (1-t)^6 P_0 + 6t(1-t)^5 P_1 + 15t^2(1-t)^4 P_2 + 20t^3(1-t)^3 P_3 + 15t^4(1-t)^2 P_4 + 6t^5(1-t) P_5 + t^6 P_6$$

244 **Example 4.1.4.** Let's draw the Bézier curve of the torus surface245  $\varphi(u, v) = ((c + a \cos v) \cos u, (c + a \cos v) \sin u, a \sin v)$  on parameter curve with  $u = 0.28v$ ;

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$$u = 0.28v;$$

247

$$a = 1;$$

248

$$c = 3;$$

$$\varphi(u, v) = ((3 + \cos u) \cos v, (3 + \cos u) \sin v, \sin v)$$

249 By taking the  $u$ -parameter curve on the torus surface and seven control points on this curve, the Bézier curve of these  
250 control points is computed. The Matlab algorithm of the Bézier curve is given and its graphs are drawn.

251 **Example 4.1.5.**  $\varphi(u, v) = (\cos u + v \cos(\frac{u}{2}) \cos u, \sin u + v \cos(\frac{u}{2}) \sin u, v \sin(\frac{u}{2}))$  Let's draw the Bézier curve of Möbius  
 252 surface on parameter curve with  $u = 5v$ ;

$$\varphi(v) = (\cos(5v) + v \cos(\frac{5v}{2}) \cos(5v), \sin(5v) + v \cos(\frac{5v}{2}) \sin(5v), v \sin(\frac{5v}{2}))$$

253 By taking the  $u$ -parameter curve on the Möbius surface and five control points on this curve, the Bézier curve of these  
 254 control points is computed. The Matlab algorithm of the Bézier curve is given and its graphs are drawn.

$$P(t) = (1-t)^4 P_0 + 4t(1-t)^3 P_1 + 6t^2(1-t)^2 P_2 + 4t^3(1-t) P_3 + t^4 P_4$$

255 **Example 4.1.6.** With the following equation

256  $X = \cos(v) \sqrt{|\sin(2u)|} \cos u$

257  $Y = \cos(v) \sqrt{|\sin(2u)|} \sin u$

258  $Z = X^2 - Y^2 + 2XY \tan^2(v)$

259 the Lemniscate surface is given by

$$\varphi(u, v) = (X, Y, Z).$$

260 Let's draw the Bézier curve of the Lemniscate surface on the  $v$ -parameter curve with

$$u = v;$$

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$$\varphi(v) = (\cos(v) \sqrt{|\sin(2v)|} \cos v, \cos(v) \sqrt{|\sin(2v)|} \sin v, X^2 - Y^2 + 2XY \tan^2(v))$$

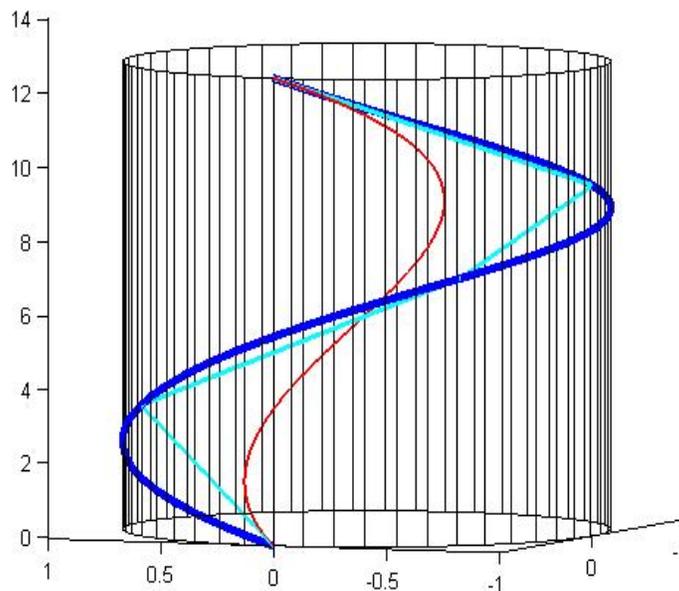
262 By taking the parameter curve on the Lemniscate surface and six control points on this curve, the Bézier curve of these  
 263 control points is computed.

$$P(t) = (1-t)^5 P_0 + 5t(1-t)^4 P_1 + 10t^2(1-t)^3 P_2 + 10t^3(1-t)^2 P_3 + 5t^4(1-t) P_4 + t^5 P_5$$

264 **Example 4.1.7.** By taking five control points on the curve given by the parametric equation  $\varphi(u, v) = (u^3, 2u - 5, u^2 +$   
 265  $2u)$ , the Bézier curve of these control points is computed.

266 **4.2. Matlab applications.**

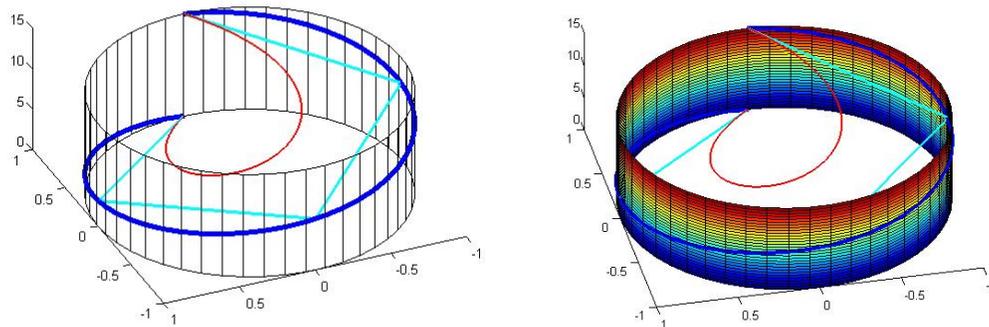
267 **Matlab application 1.** The obtained Matlab algorithm and graph of the Beizer curve of five control points on the  
 268 helix curve on a cylinder surface are as follows (see Figure 4.2, 4.3);



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**Figure 4.2.** Bézier curve on cylinder surface with 5 control points.

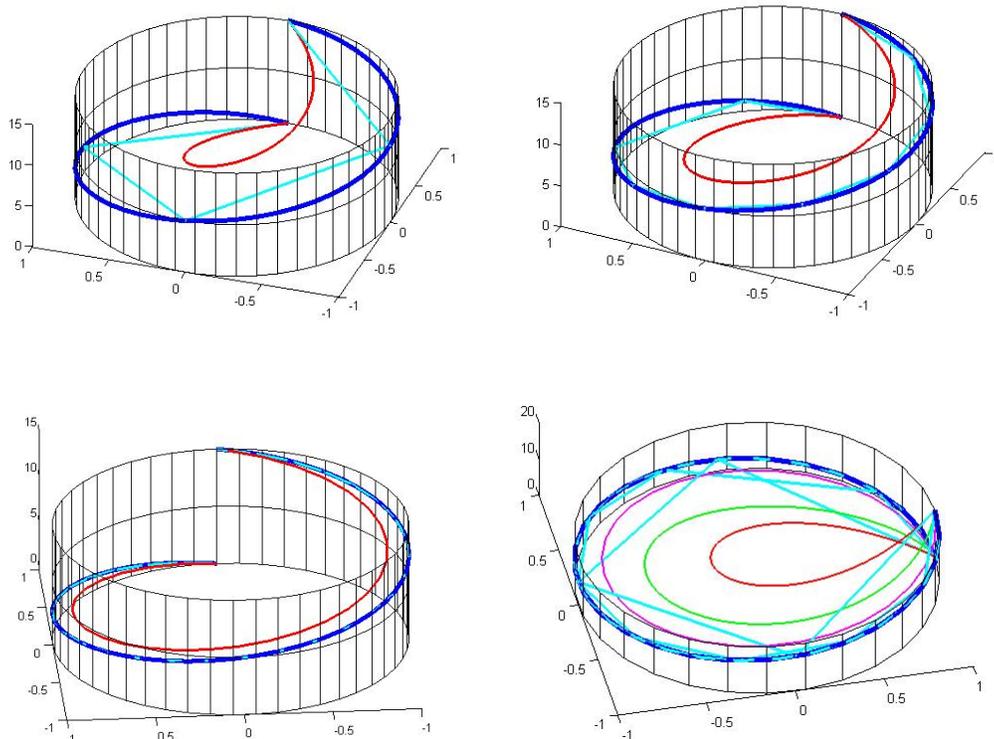


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**Figure 4.3.** Top view of the Bézier curve with 5 control points.

273 The Matlab graphics of the Beizer curve formed after increasing the number of control points on the helix curve on the  
 274 cylinder surface are as follows (Figure 4.4).



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**Figure 4.4.** Bézier curve on the cylinder surface with 5, 10 and 30 control points, respectively.

278 m.file of this application is following:

279 Matlab application 1:

280 `u = linspace(0,2*pi,50);`

281 `v = linspace(0,4*pi,3);`

282 `[U,V] = meshgrid(u,v);`

283 `r = 2;`

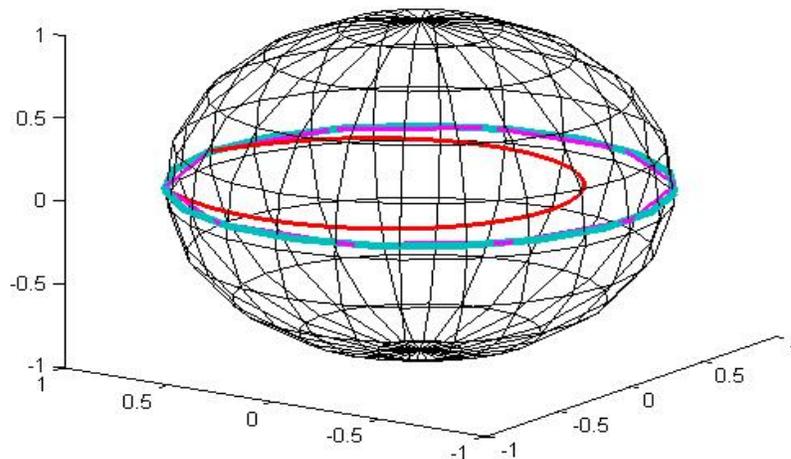
284 `plot3(cos(u), sin(u), r*u, 'LineWidth', 3);`

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285 hold on;
286 surf(cos(U), sin(U), V);
287 colormap white;
288 alpha(0.0001)
289
290 Bezier curve with 5 control points
291 t = 0:0.0025:1;
292 x = [cos(0) cos(pi/2) cos(pi) cos(3*pi/2) cos(2*pi)];
293 y = [sin(0) sin(pi/2) sin(pi) sin(3*pi/2) sin(2*pi)];
294 z = [r*0 r*pi/2 r*pi r*3*pi/2 r*2*pi];
295
296 px = (1-t).^4*x(1) + 4*t.*(1-t).^3*x(2)
297 + 6*t.^2.*(1-t).^2*x(3) + 4*t.^3.*(1-t)*x(4) + t.^4*x(5);
298
299 py = (1-t).^4*y(1) + 4*t.*(1-t).^3*y(2) + 6*t.^2.*(1-t).^2*y(3)
300 + 4*t.^3.*(1-t)*y(4) + t.^4*y(5);
301
302 pz = (1-t).^4*z(1) + 4*t.*(1-t).^3*z(2) + 6*t.^2.*(1-t).^2*z(3)
303 + 4*t.^3.*(1-t)*z(4) + t.^4*z(5);
304
305 plot3(x, y, z, 'c', 'LineWidth', 2);
306 plot3(px, py, pz, 'r', 'LineWidth', 2);

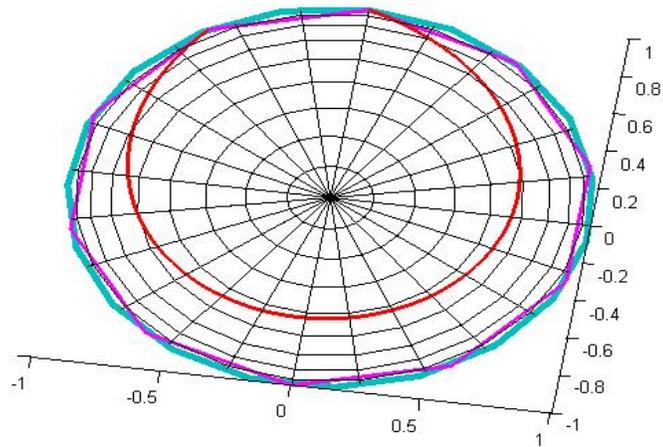
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307 **Matlab application 2.**The Matlab algorithm and graph of the Beizer curve formed after increasing the number of  
308 control points on the circle curve on the sphere surface are as follows (see Figure 4.5, 4.6).



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**Figure 4.5.** Bézier curve on sphere surface with 10 control points.

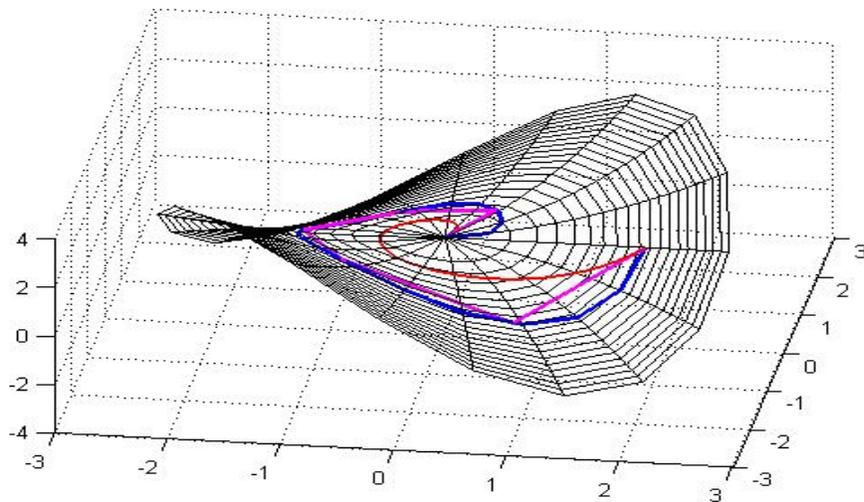


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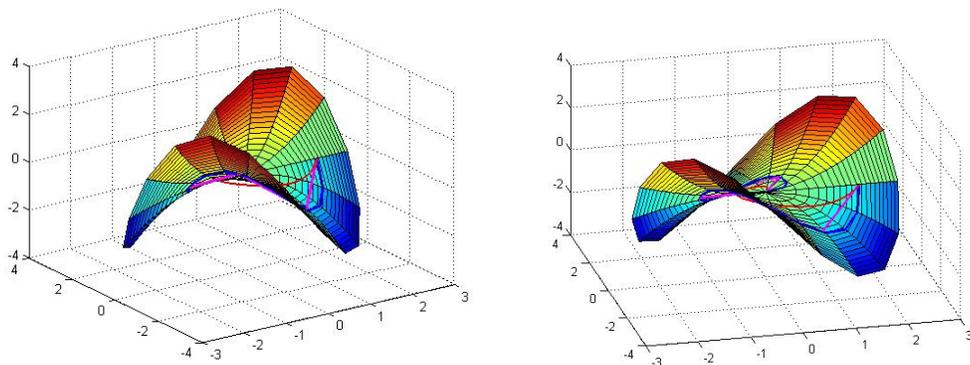
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**Figure 4.6.** Top view of the Bézier curve with 10 control points.

313 **Matlab application 3.** The Matlab algorithm and graph of the Beizer curve generated with seven control points on  
 314 the v-parameter curve on the saddle surface are as follows (Figure 4.7).



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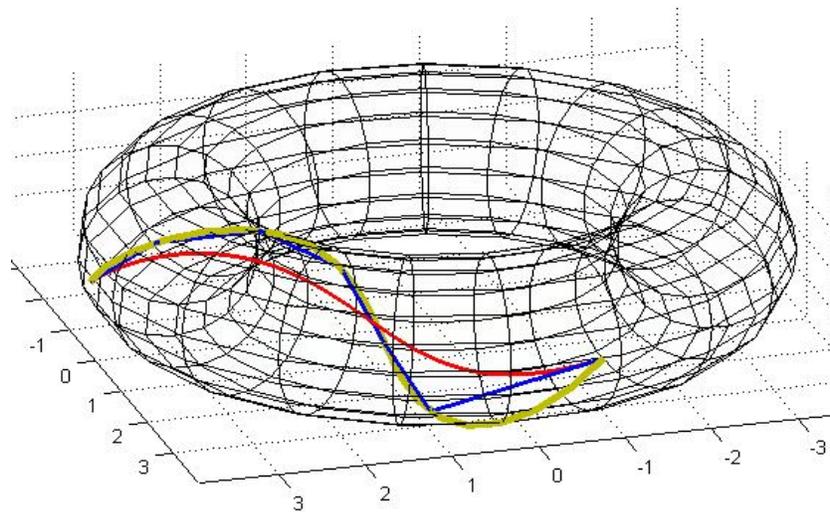


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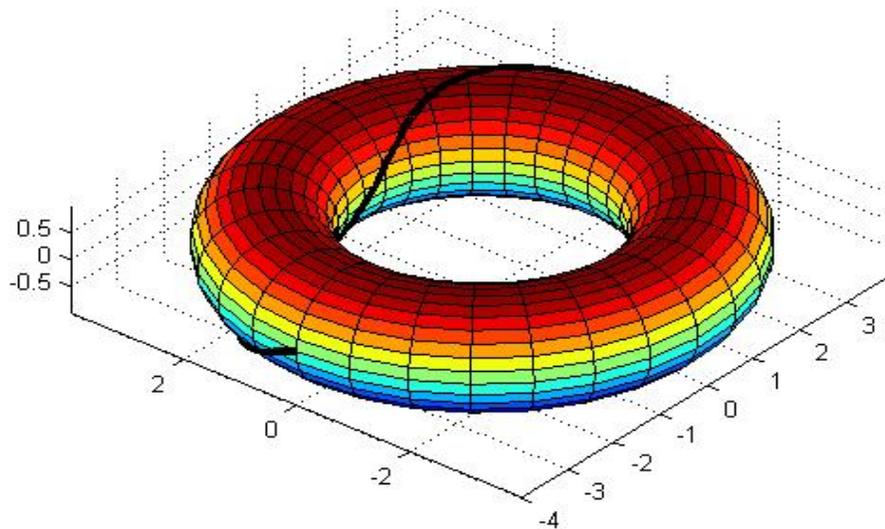
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**Figure 4.7.** Bézier curve on saddle surface with 7 control points.

318 **Matlab application 4.** The Matlab algorithm and graph of the Bézier curve generated with seven control points on  
319 the v-parameter curve on the torus surface are as follows (Figure 4.8).



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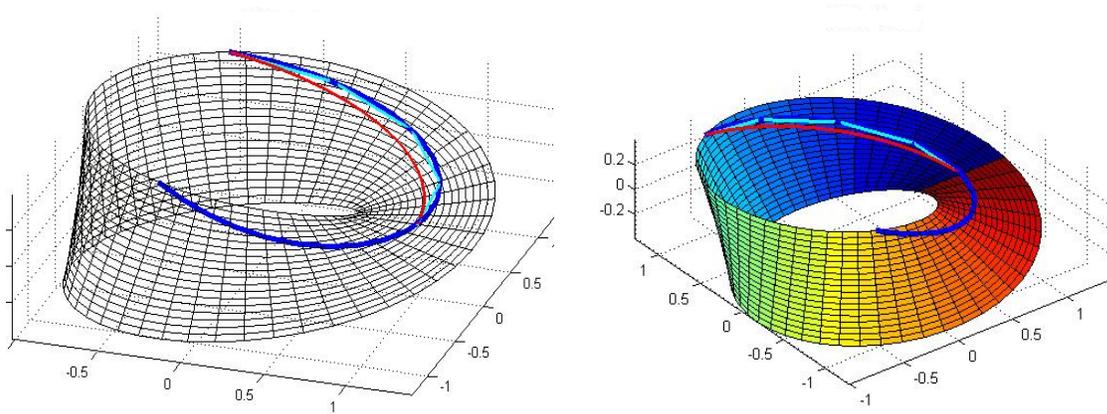


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**Figure 4.8.** Bézier curve on torus surface with 7 control points.

323 **Matlab application 5.** The Matlab algorithm and graph of the Bézier curve generated with five control points on  
324 the v-parameter curve on the Mobius surface are as follows (Figure 4.9).



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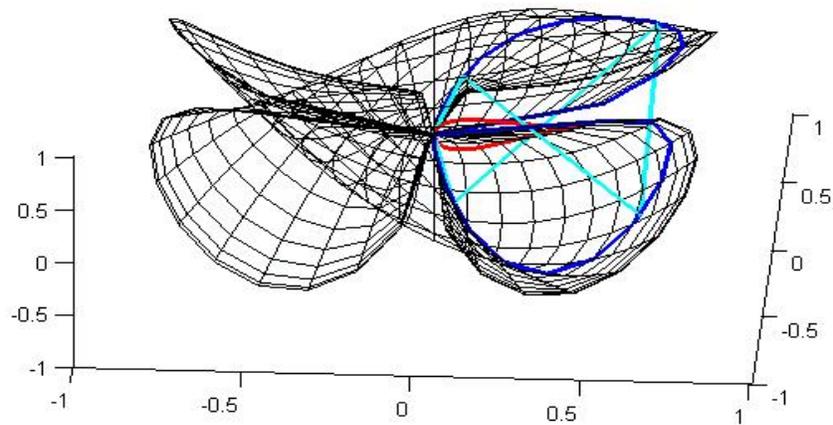
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**Figure 4.9.** Bézier curve on Möbius surface with 5 control points.

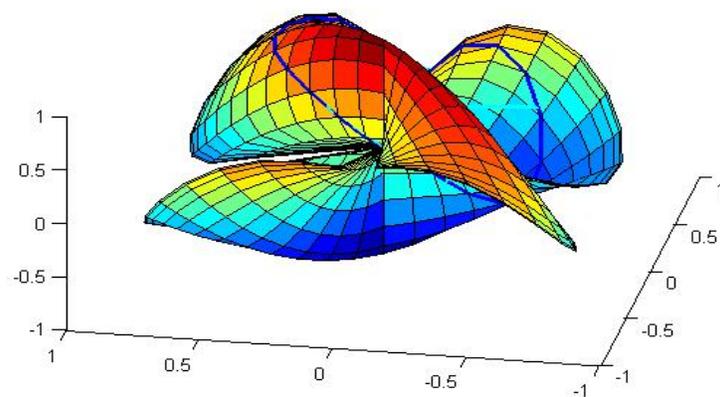
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**Matlab application 6.** The Matlab algorithm and graph of the Bézier curve on an implicit minimal lemniscate surface, generated with six control points on the  $v$ -parameter curve, is as follows (Figure 4.10).



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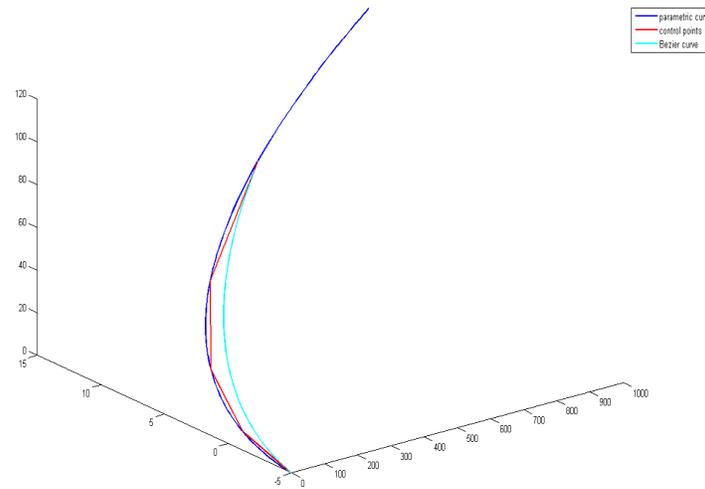
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**Figure 4.10.** Bézier curve on a lemniscate surface with 6 control points.

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**Matlab application 7.** By taking five control points on a curve, the Matlab algorithm and graph of the Beizer curve of these control points are as follows (Figure 4.11).



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335 **Figure 4.11.** Bézier curve with 5 control points.

336 **5. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION**

337 Bézier curves are an important curve group determined by Bernstein polynomials and Casteljau algorithm with  
338 control points. The selection of control points is determined depending on the subject being studied. Parameter curves  
339 of a given surface or any curve on the surface can be taken as a subset from which control points are selected. Thus,  
340 Bézier curve bundle is obtained depending on the surface. If the surface is closed or convex, Bézier curve bundle is  
341 located inside the surface or inside the convex region. The findings obtained were visualized and controlled with the  
342 Matlab program.

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