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κ -Curves: Interpolation at Local Maximum Curvature

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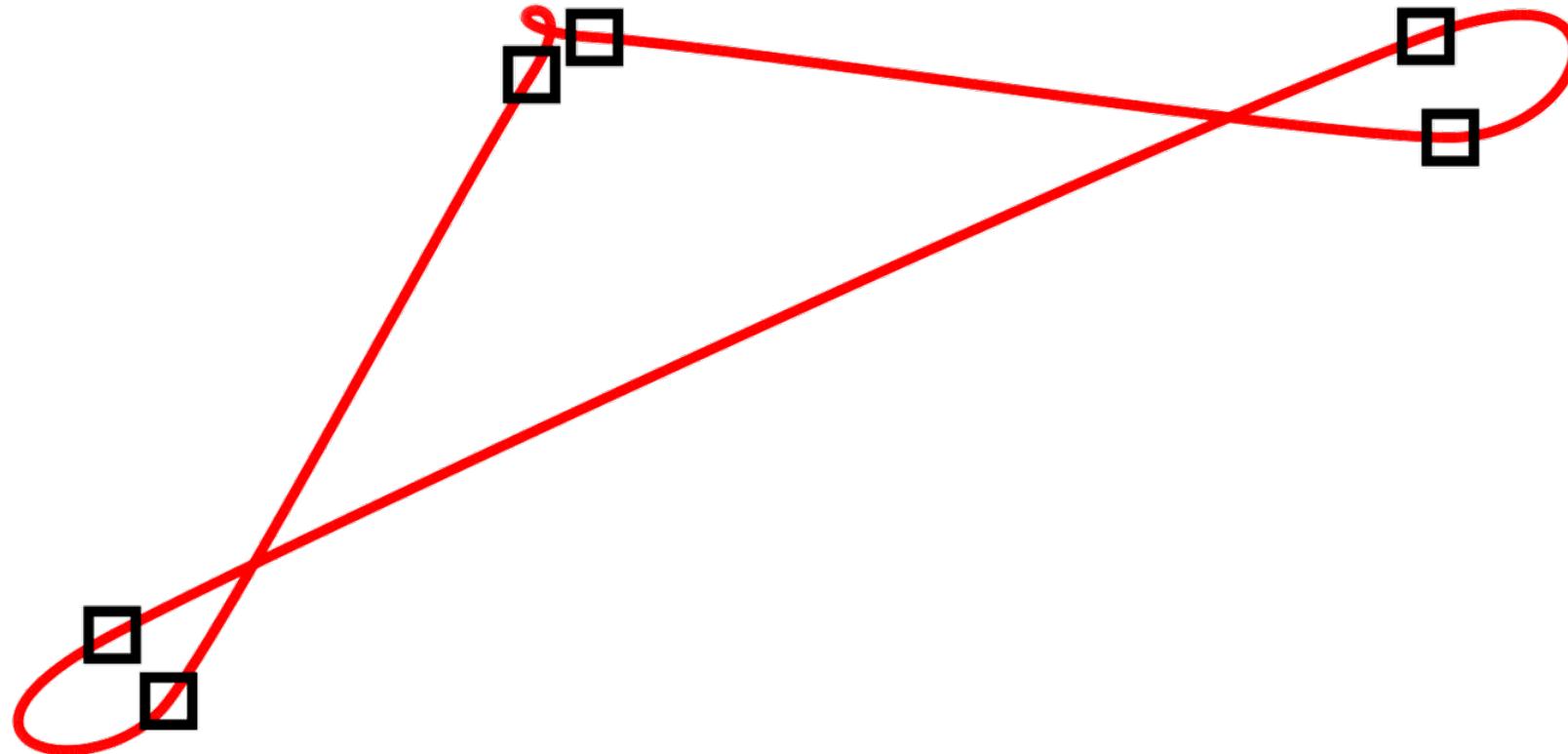
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Problems with Interpolation



Catmull-Rom Spline





“... human visual system is sensitive to minima and maxima of curvature ...”

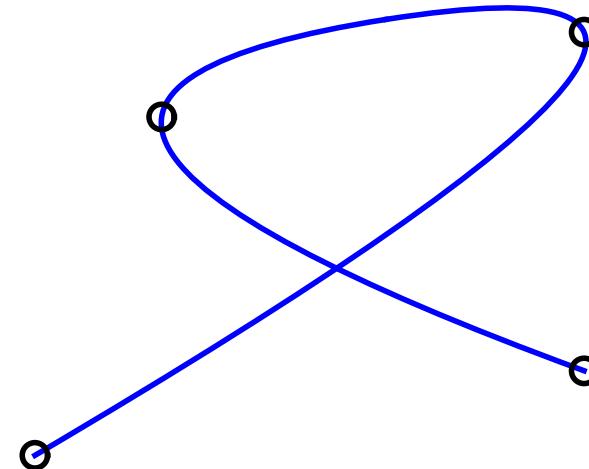
“... all curvature extrema should coincide with the given control points ...”

[Levien 2009]

Desired Properties



1. Interpolate all control points
2. Max curvatures (salient points) only occur at control points
---- No cusps except at control points
3. Curvature continuous



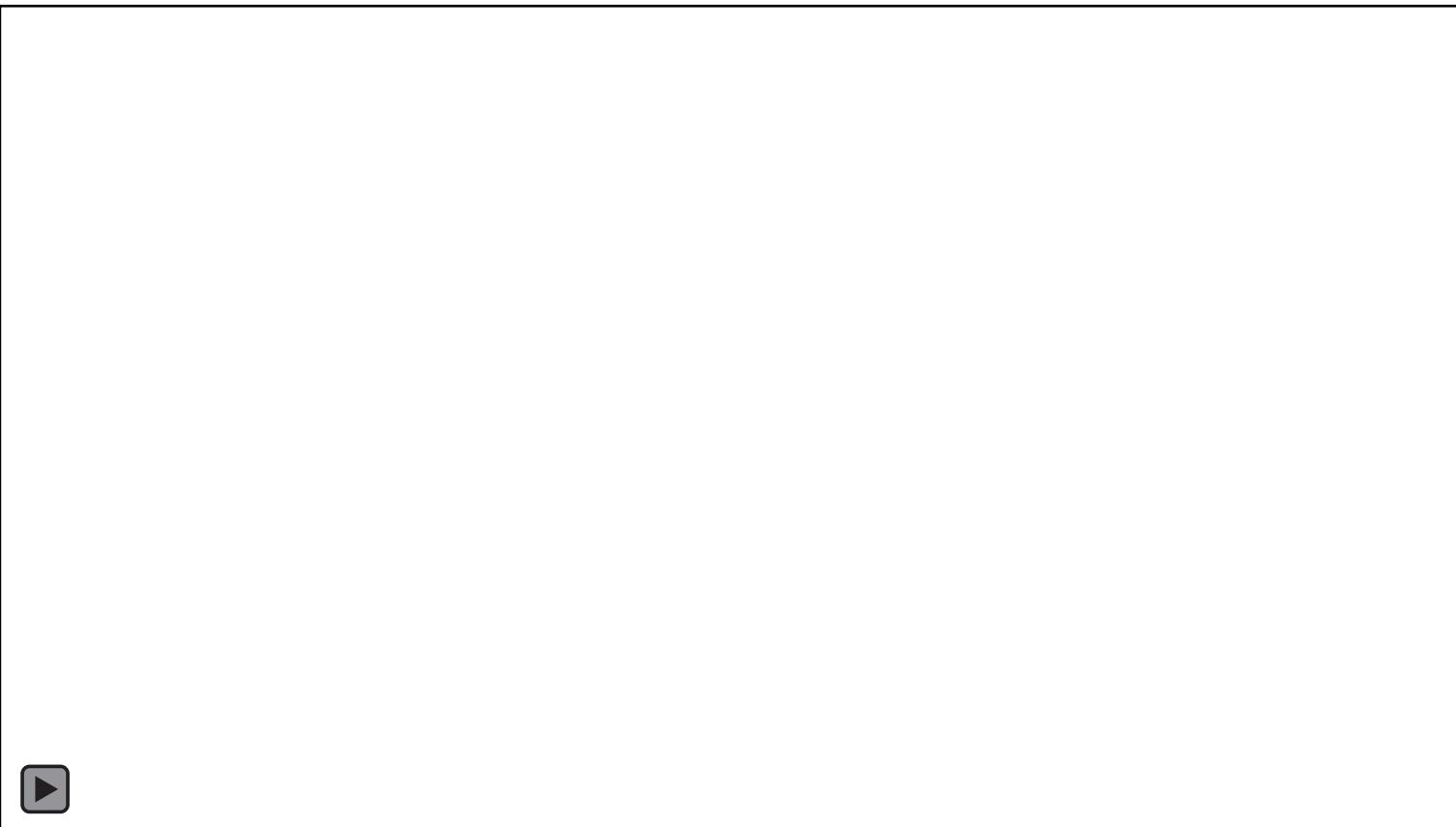


Clothoid

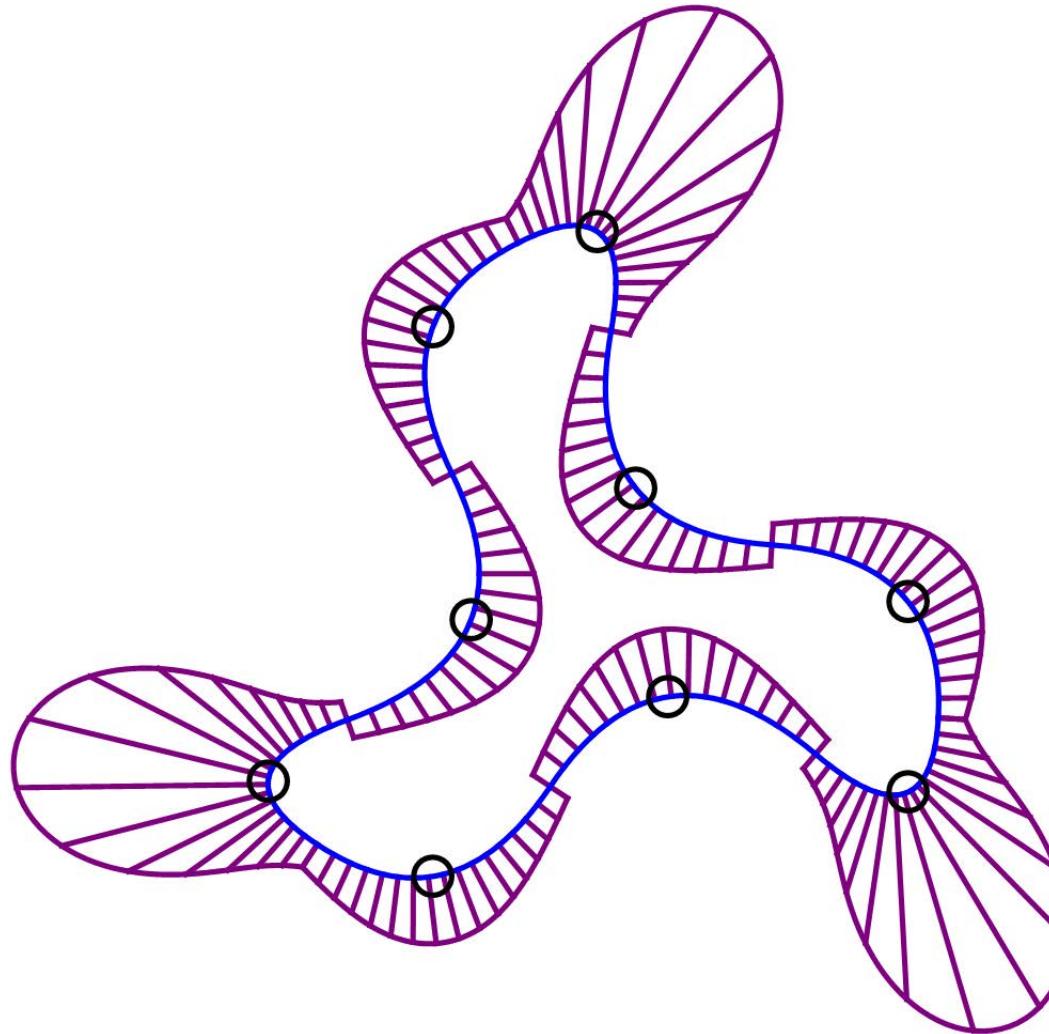


Linear curvature

Not continuous with
motion of control points



Quadratic spline

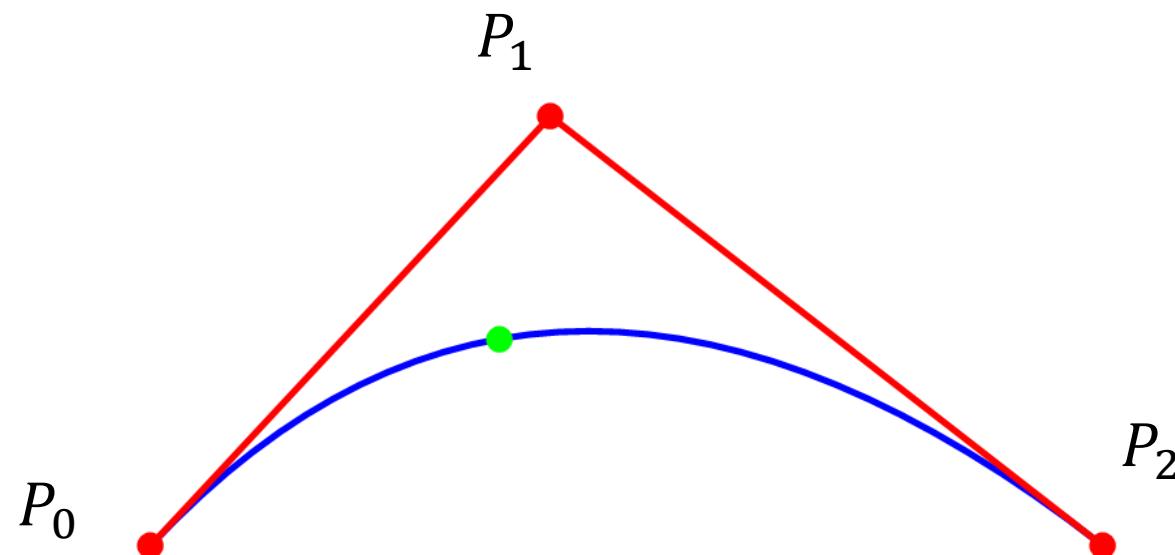




Quadratic Bezier Curve



$$c(t) = (1 - t)^2 P_0 + 2(1 - t)tP_1 + t^2 P_2$$

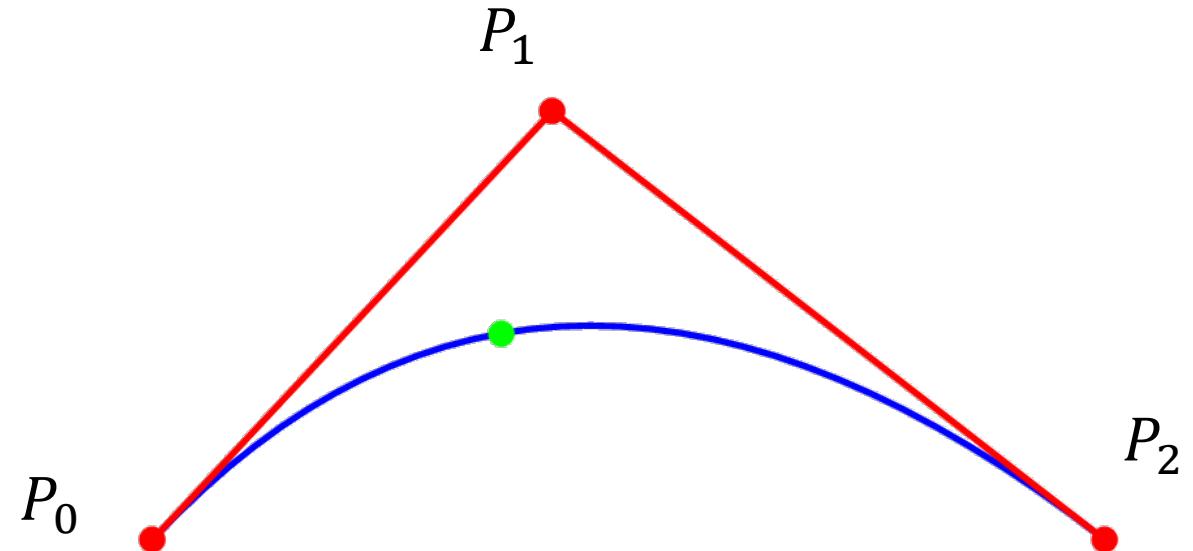




Quadratic Bezier Curvature



$$\kappa(t) = \frac{\det(c'(t), c''(t))}{\|c'(t)\|^3}$$
$$= \frac{\Delta(P_0, P_1, P_2)}{\|(1-t)(P_1 - P_0) + t(P_2 - P_1)\|^3}$$



$$\kappa'(t) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

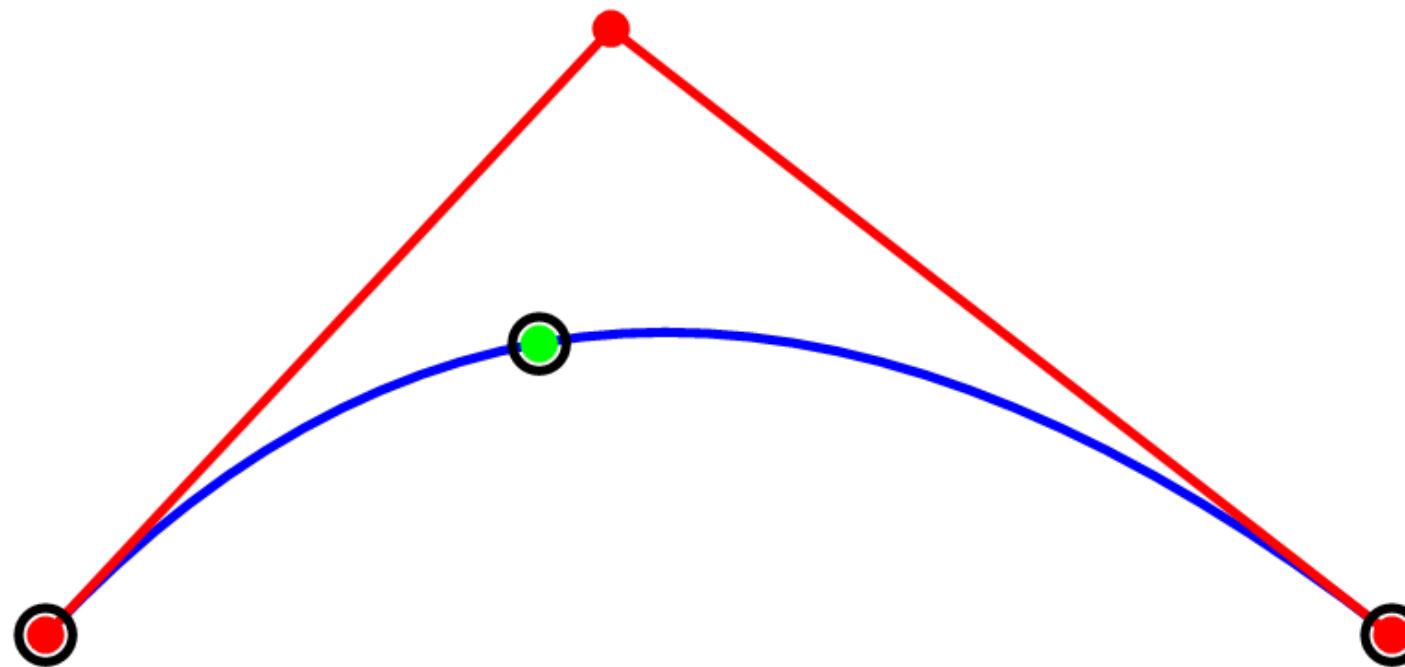
$$t_{max} = \frac{(P_0 - P_1) \cdot (P_0 - 2P_1 + P_2)}{(P_0 - 2P_1 + P_2) \cdot (P_0 - 2P_1 + P_2)}$$

$$\kappa(t_{max}) = \max \kappa(t)$$

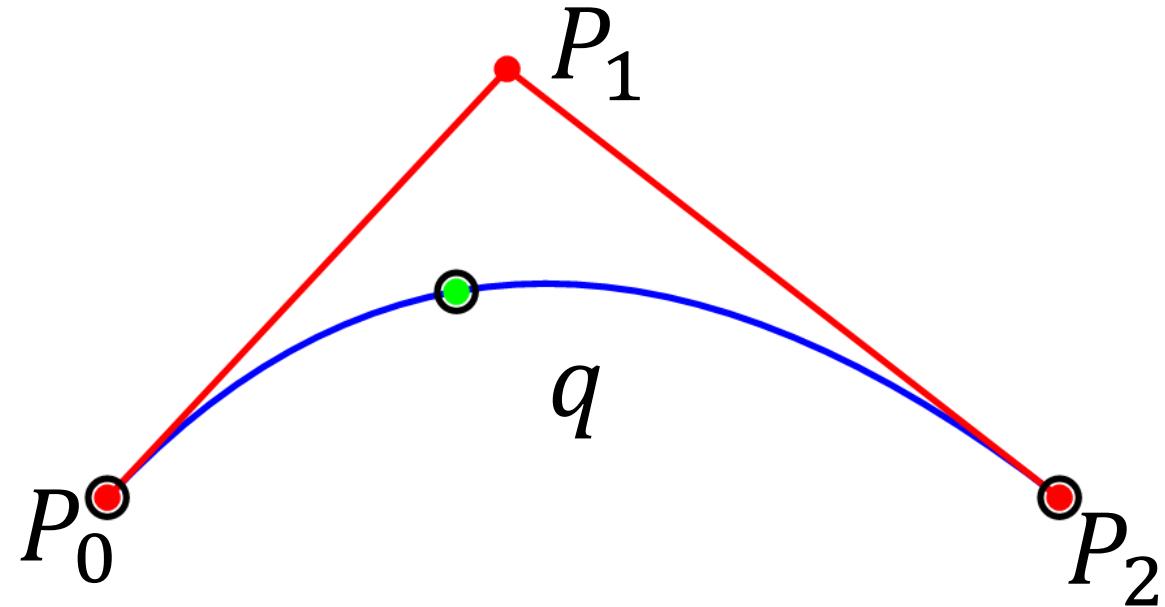
Interpolation at Max Curvature



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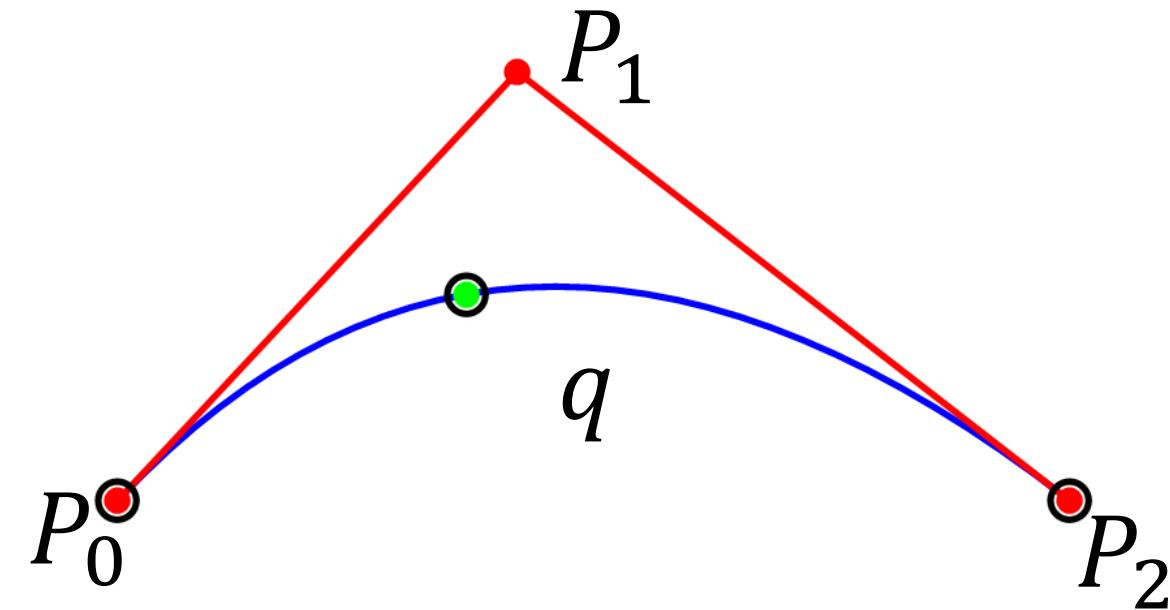
Quadratic Time Parameter



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



Quadratic Time Parameter

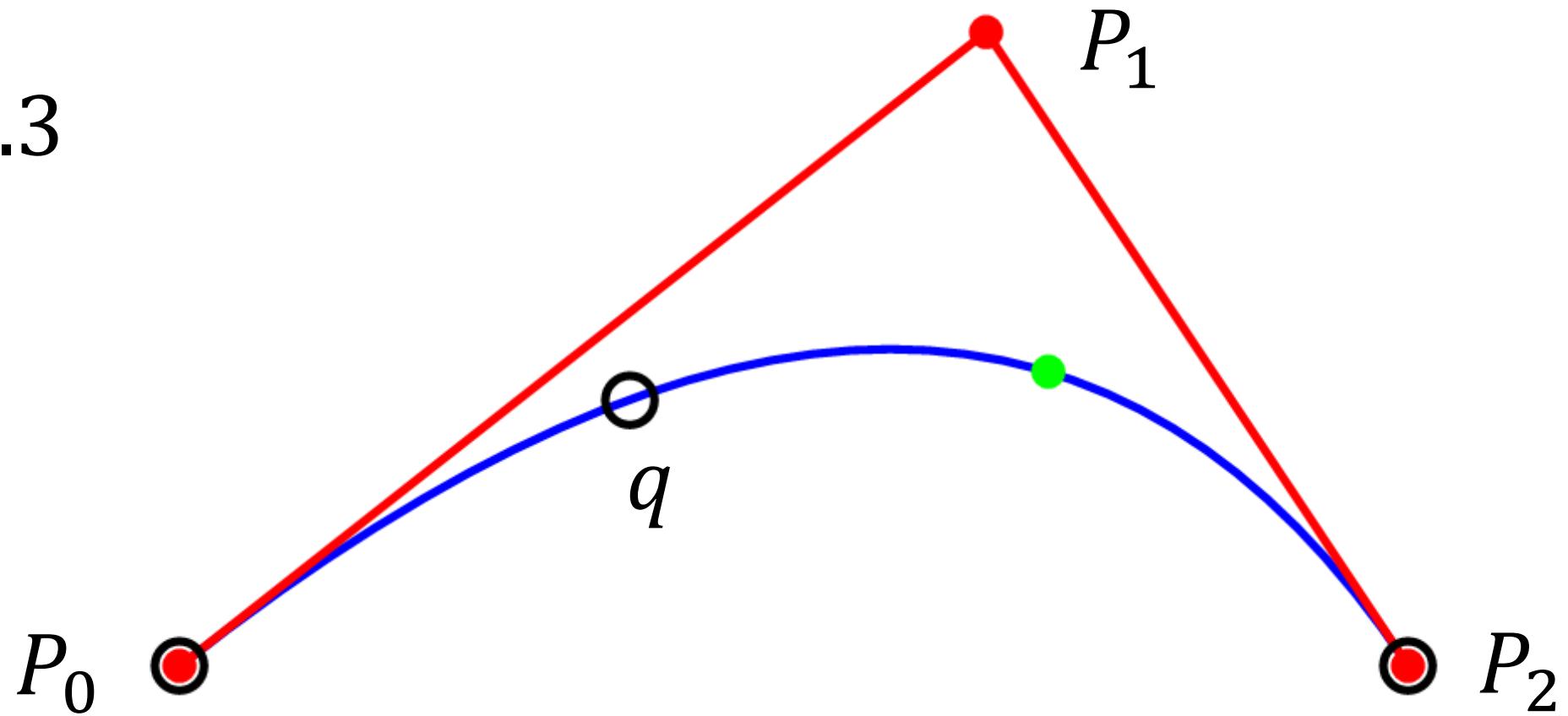


$$P_1 = \frac{q - (1-t)^2 P_0 - t^2 P_2}{2(1-t)t}$$

Quadratic Time Parameter



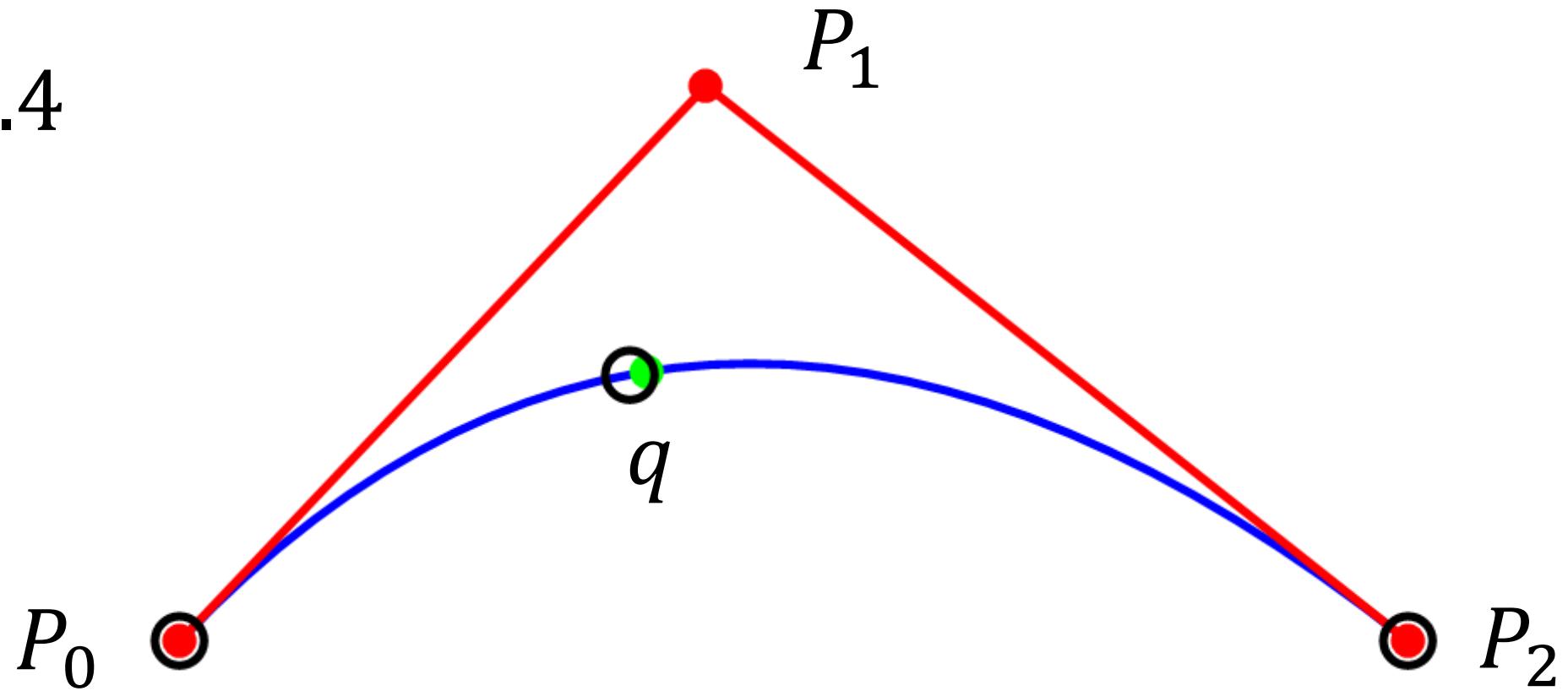
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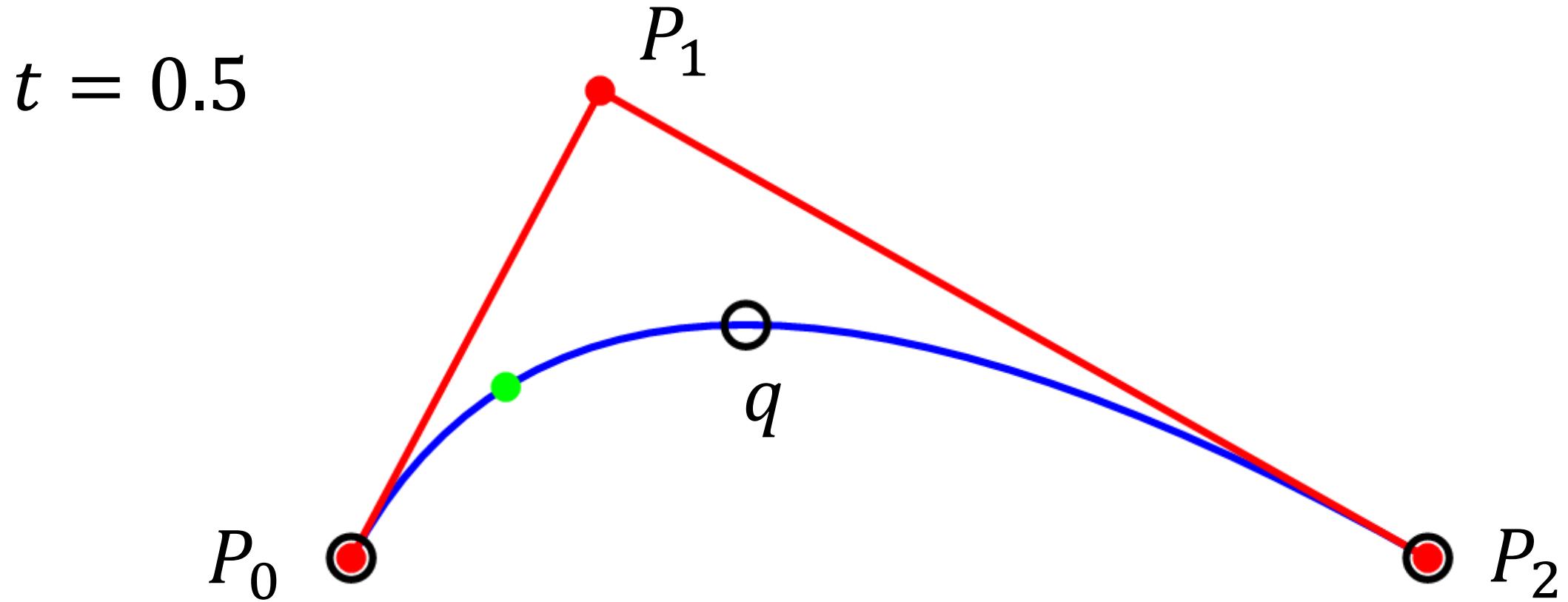
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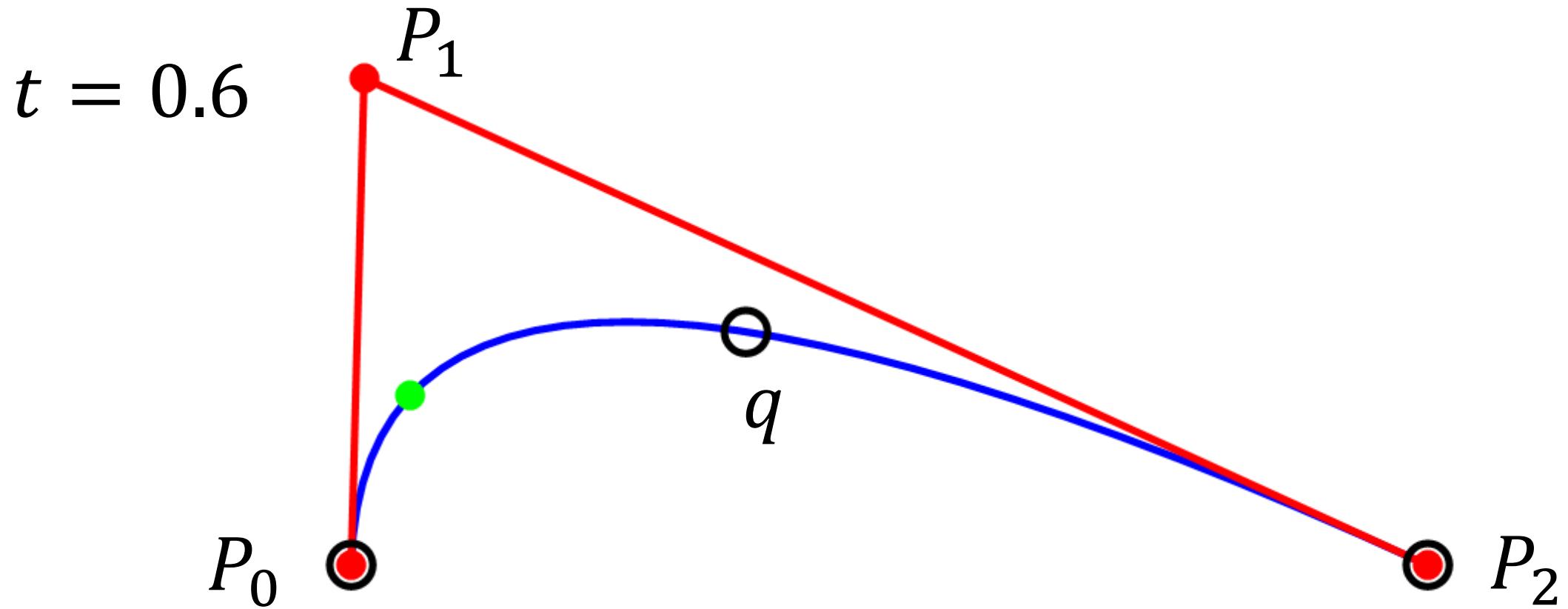
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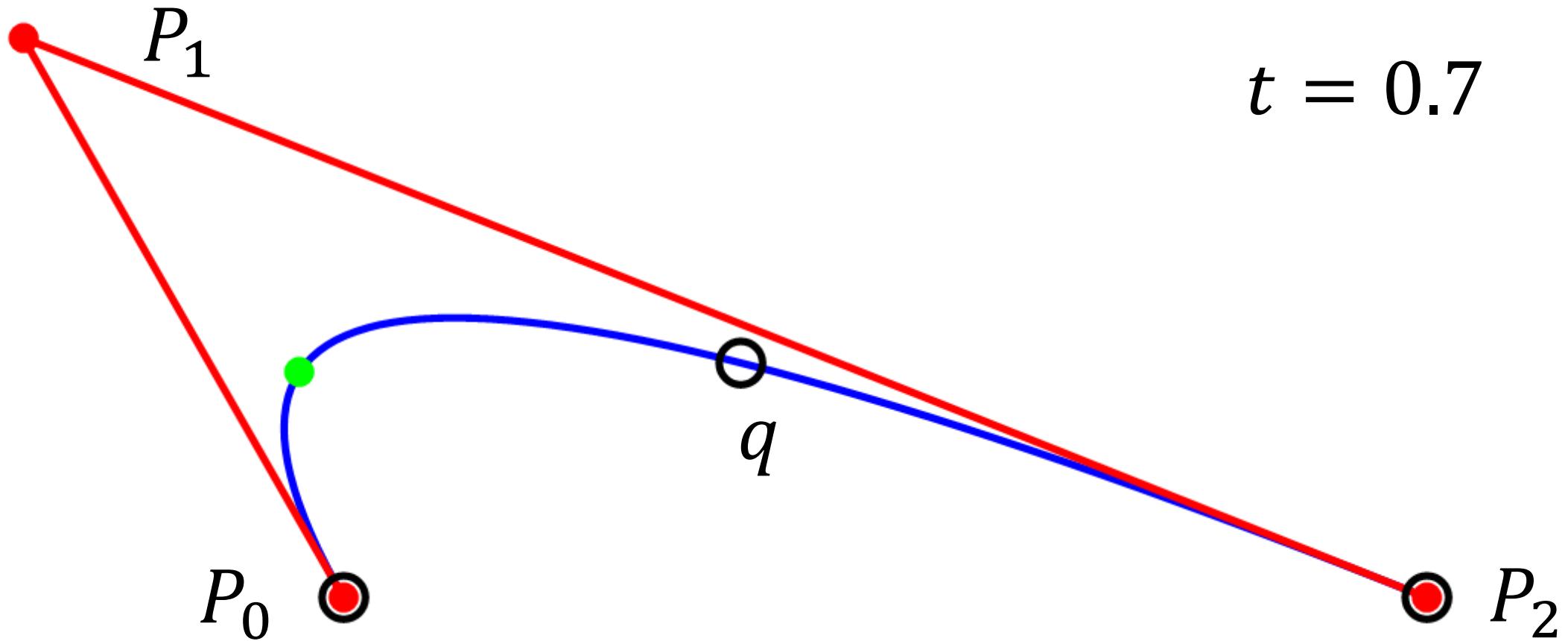
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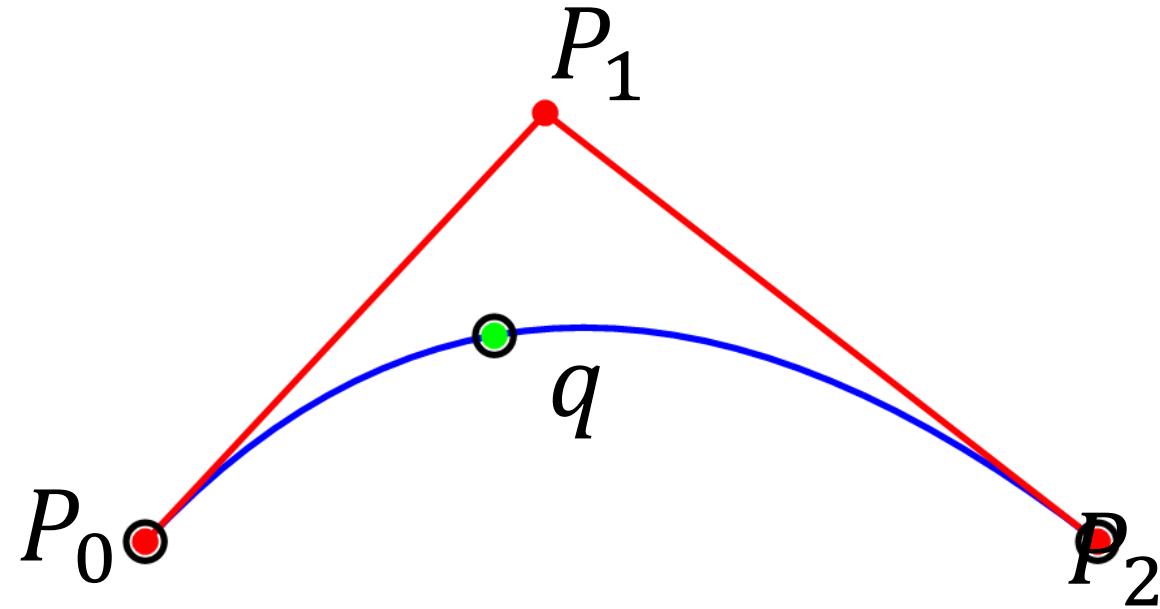
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Unique $t \in (0,1)$ from P_0 , q , and P_2

Computation of Max Curvature Time



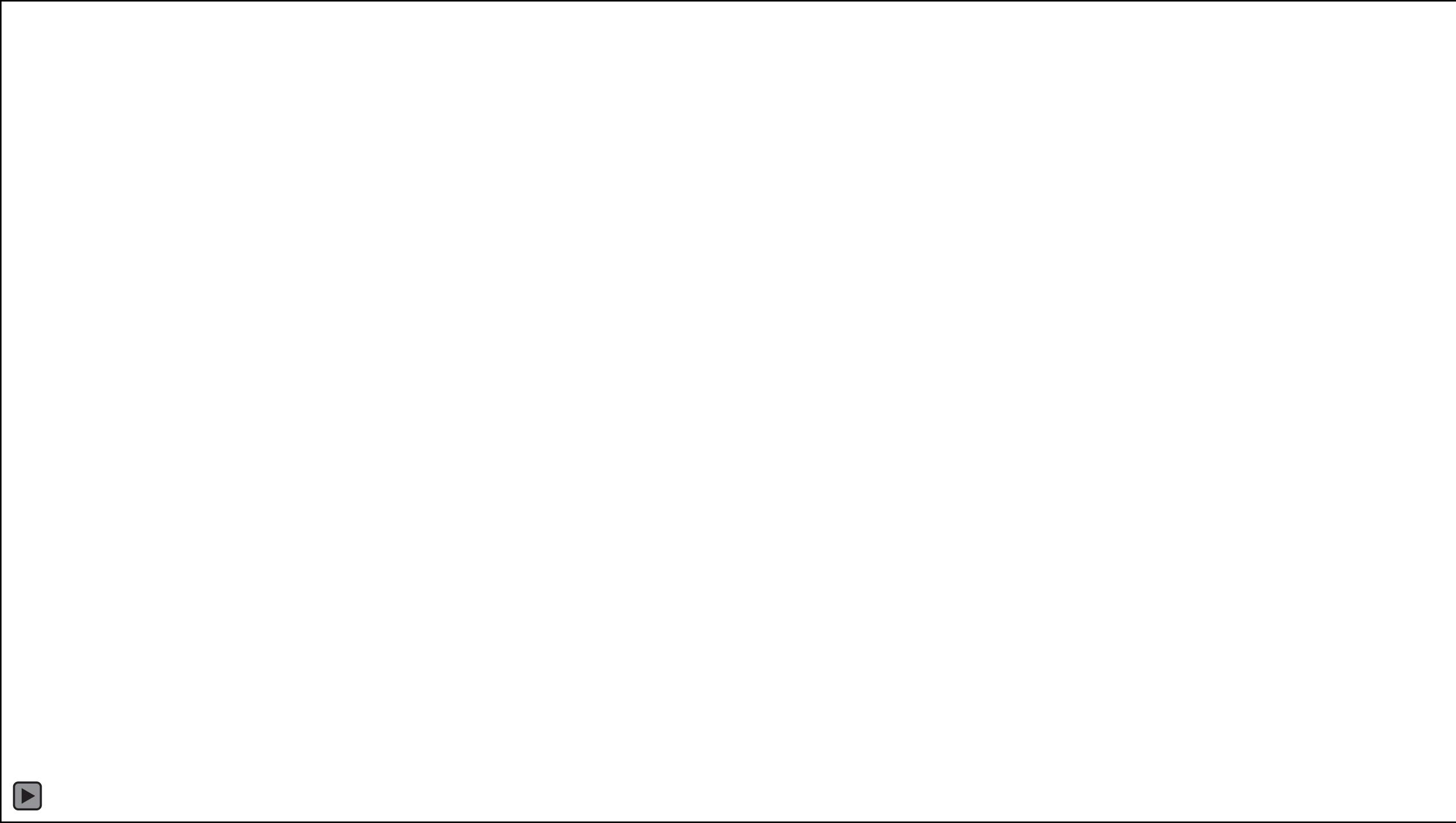
$$P_1 = \frac{q - (1-t_{max})^2 P_0 - t_{max}^2 P_2}{2(1-t_{max})t_{max}} \quad (1)$$

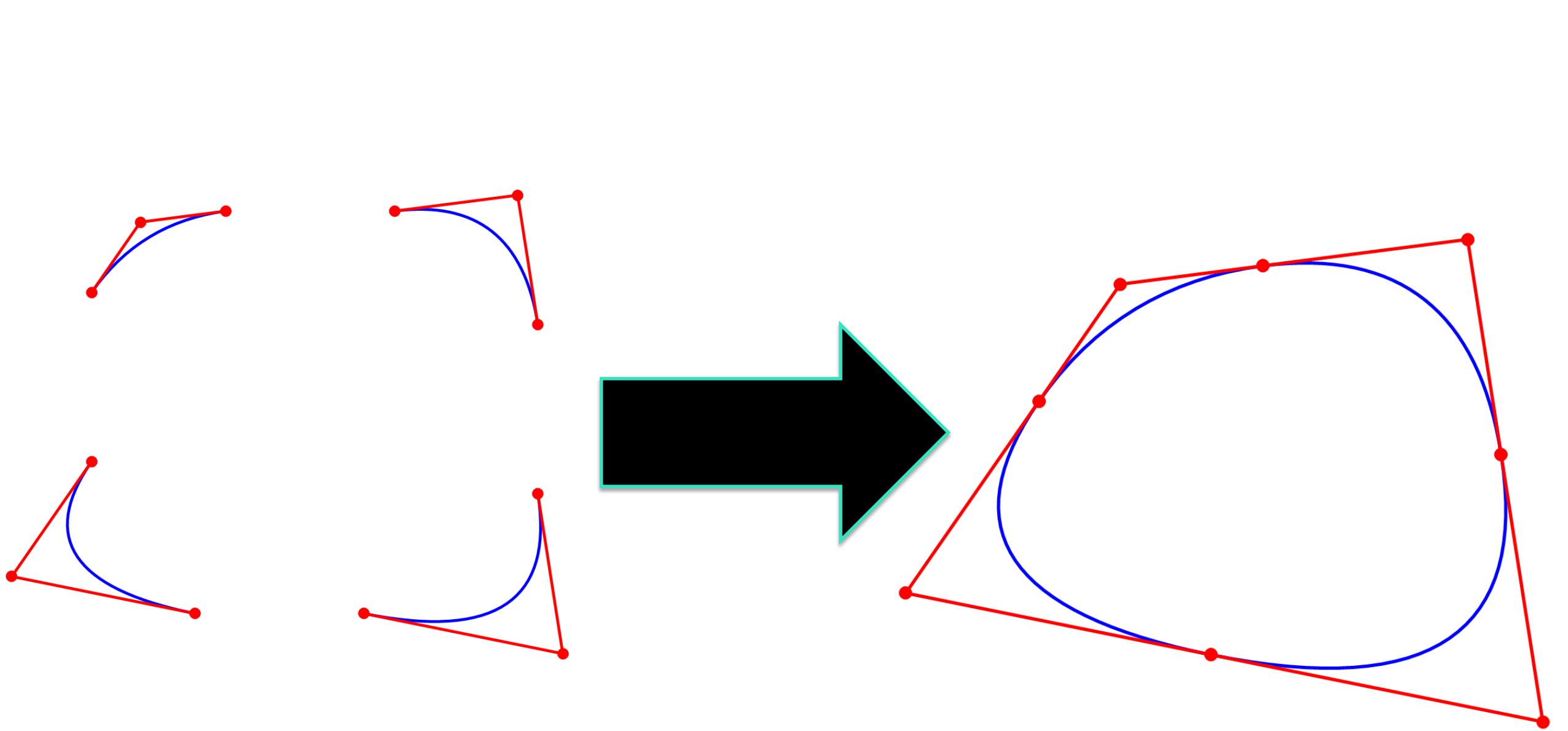
$$t_{max} = \frac{(P_0 - P_1) \cdot (P_0 - 2P_1 + P_2)}{(P_0 - 2P_1 + P_2) \cdot (P_0 - 2P_1 + P_2)} \quad (2)$$

Substitute (1) into (2)

$$at_{max}^3 + bt_{max}^2 + ct_{max} + d = 0$$

Unique $t_{max} \in (0,1)$ as a function of P_0 , q , and P_2

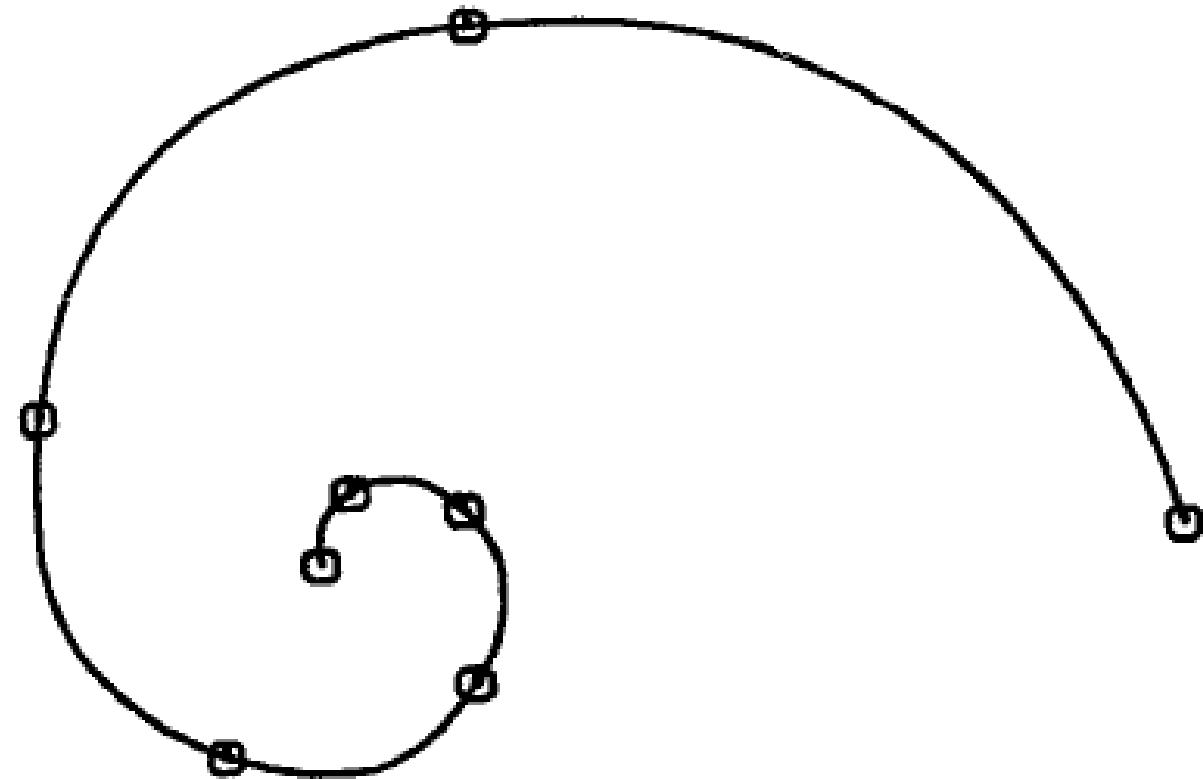




Related works



[Schaback 1989]

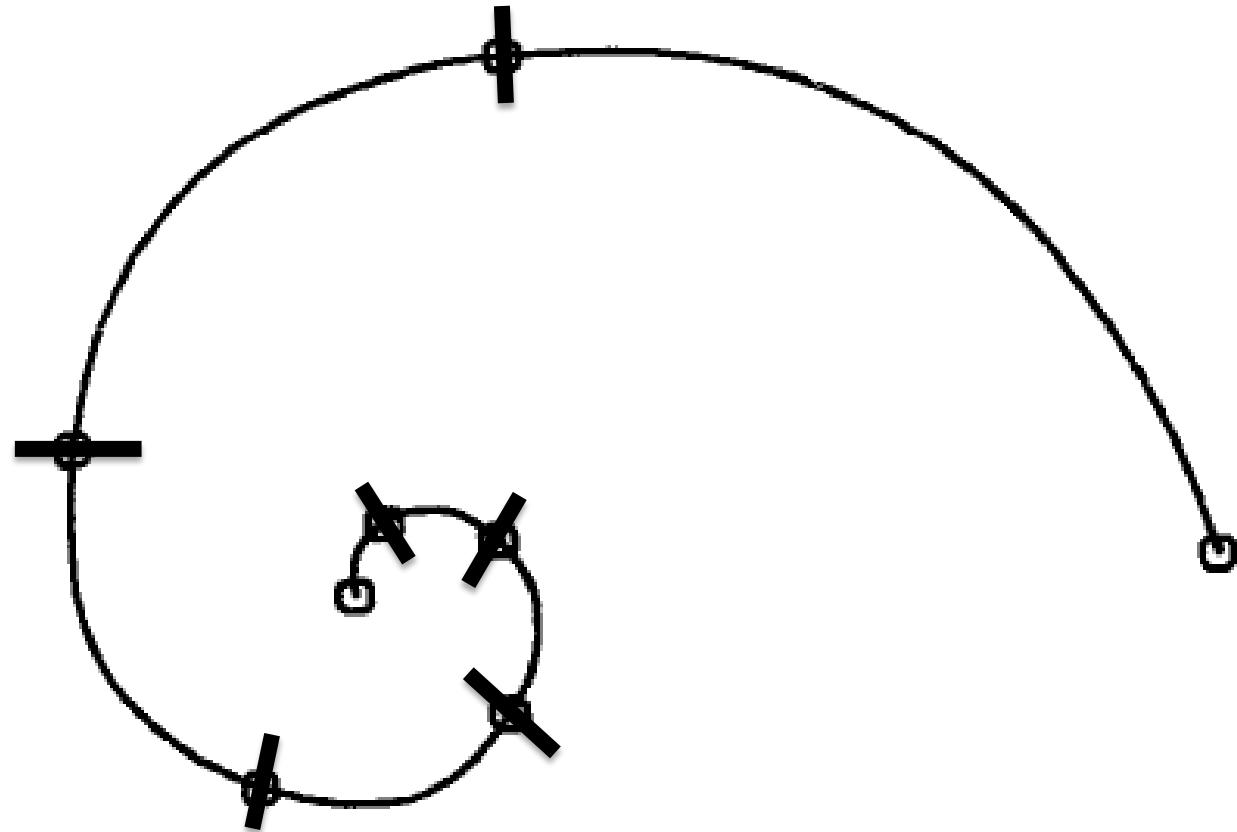




Related works

[Schaback 1989]

Use input points as
splitting points



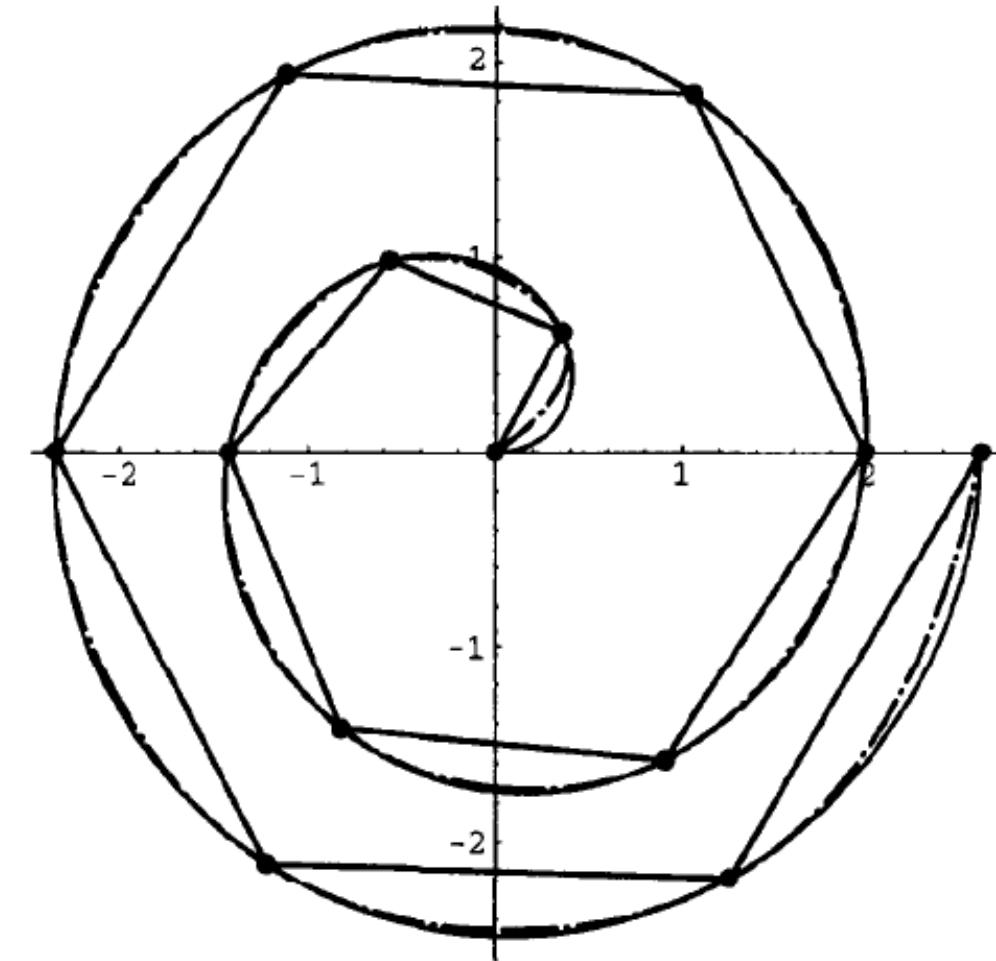


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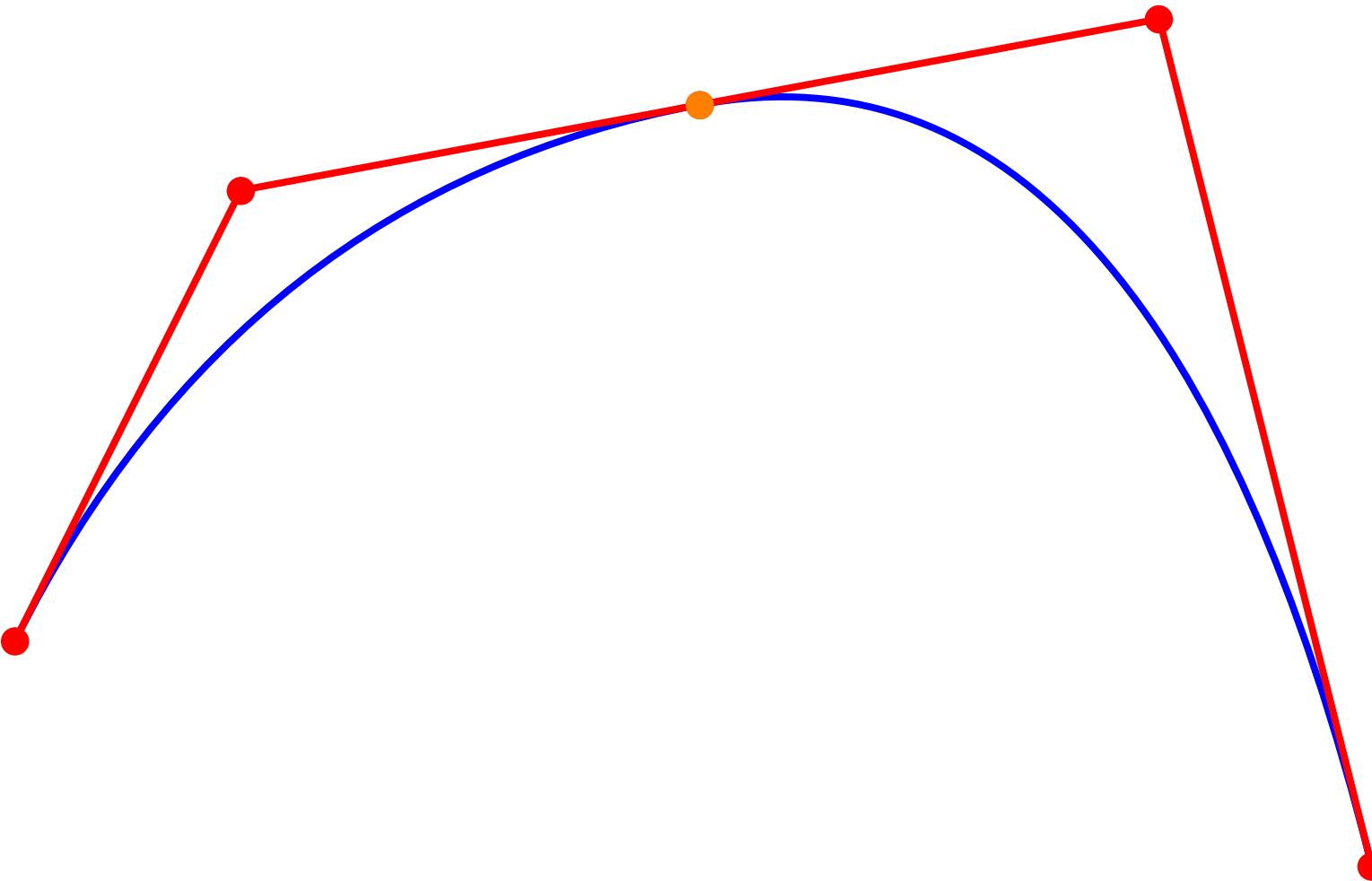
[Feng et al. 1995]

Interpolate tangent
vectors at control points

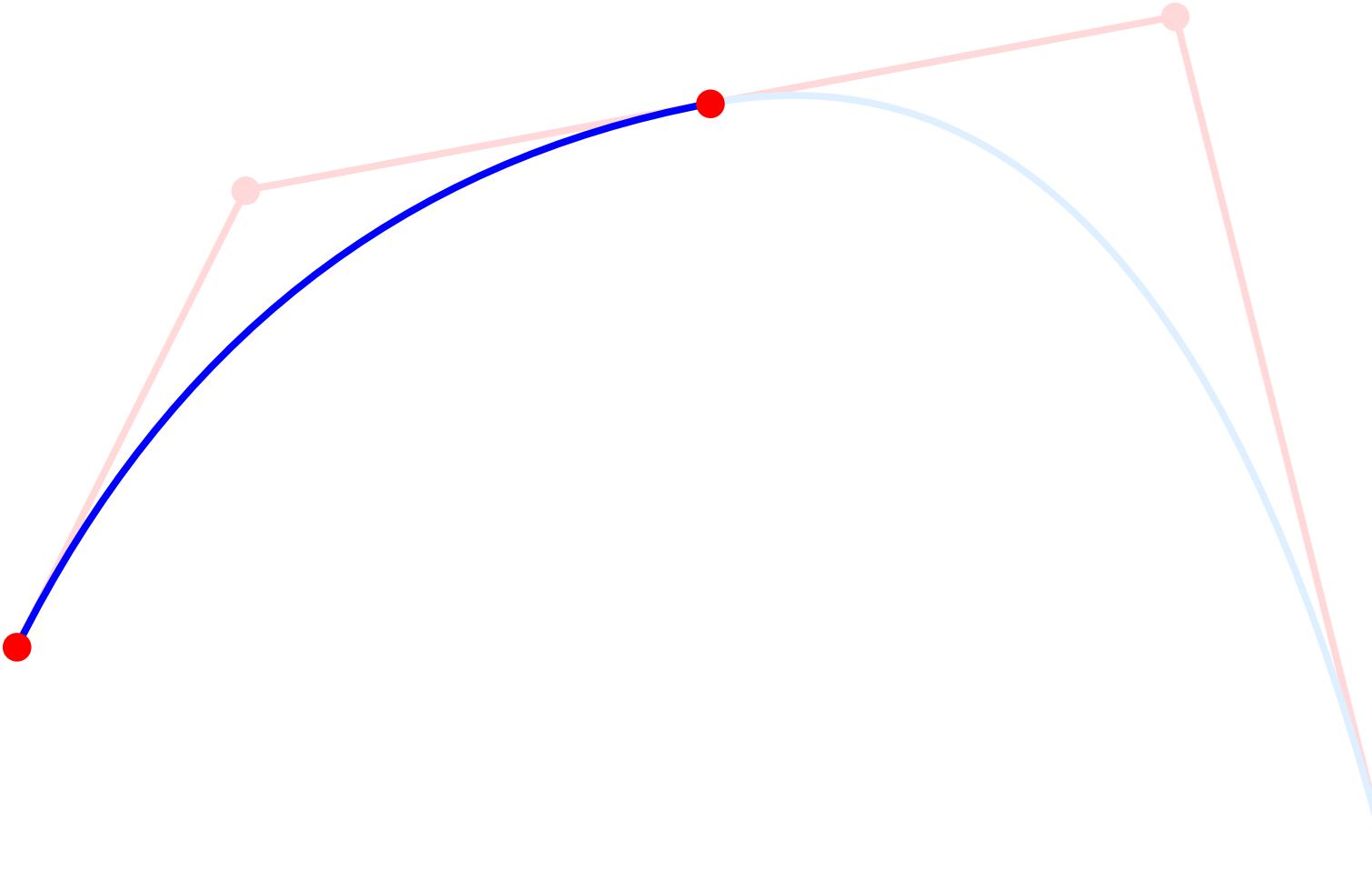
No curvature control.



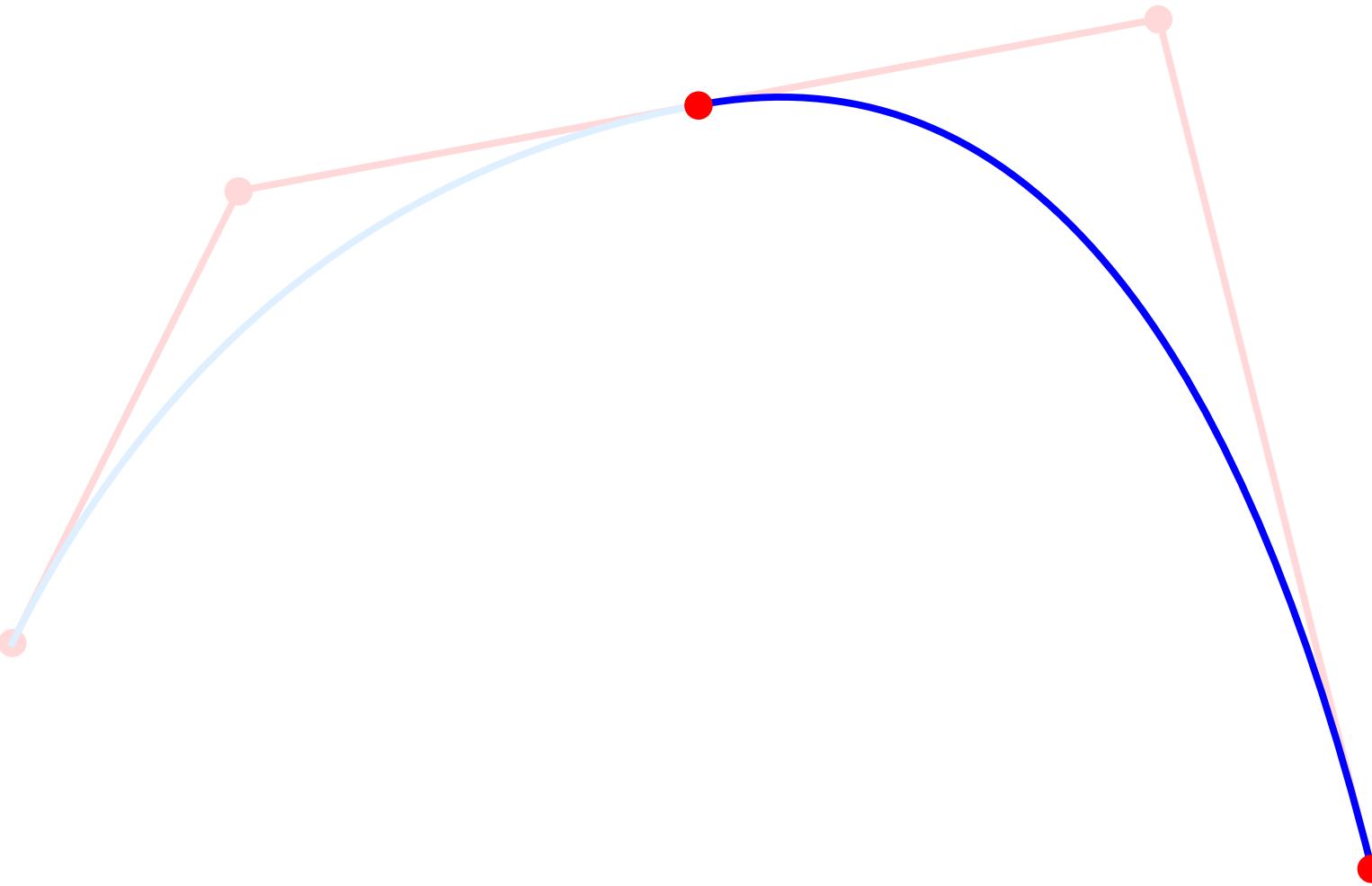
G² Condition



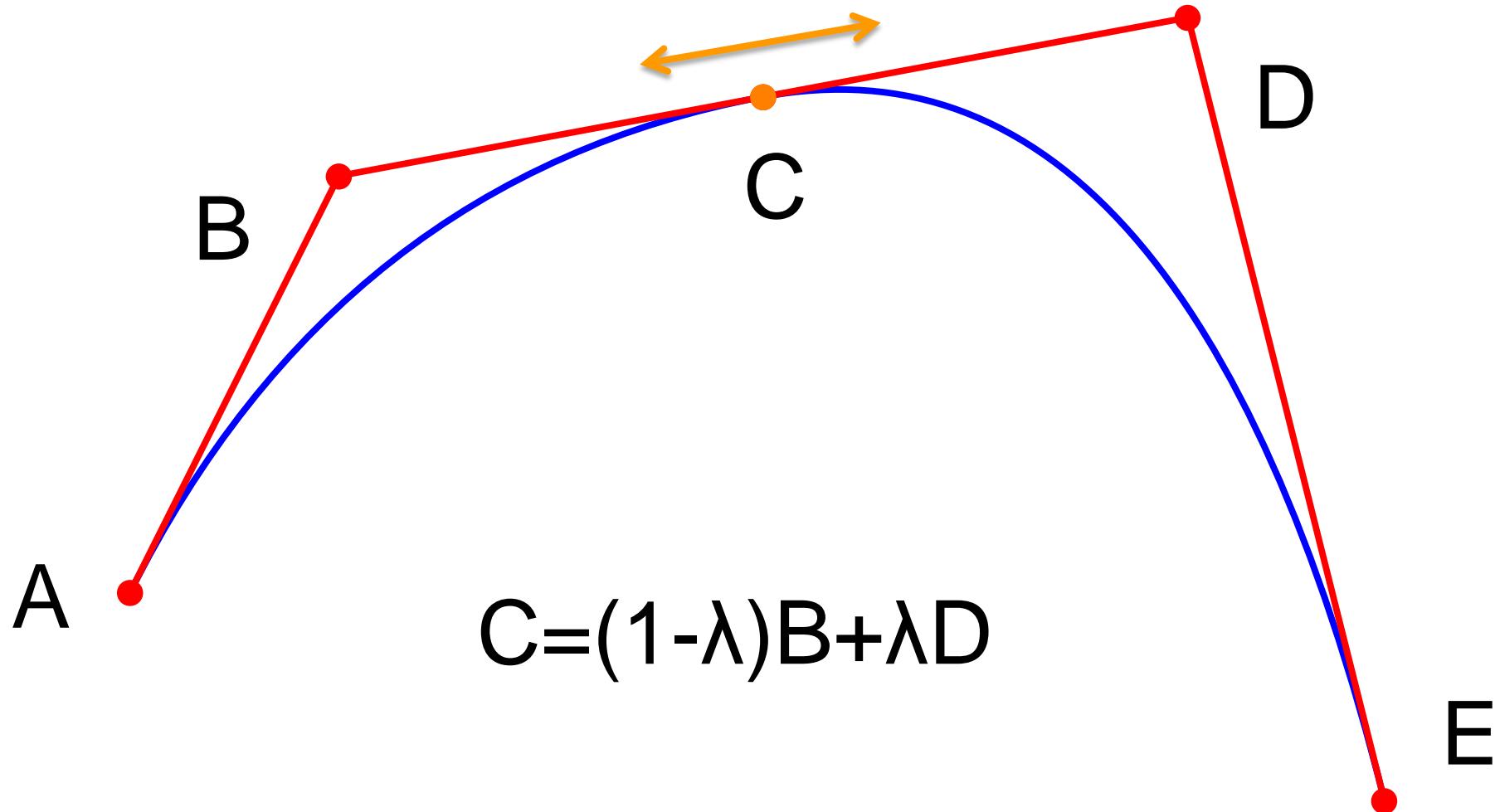
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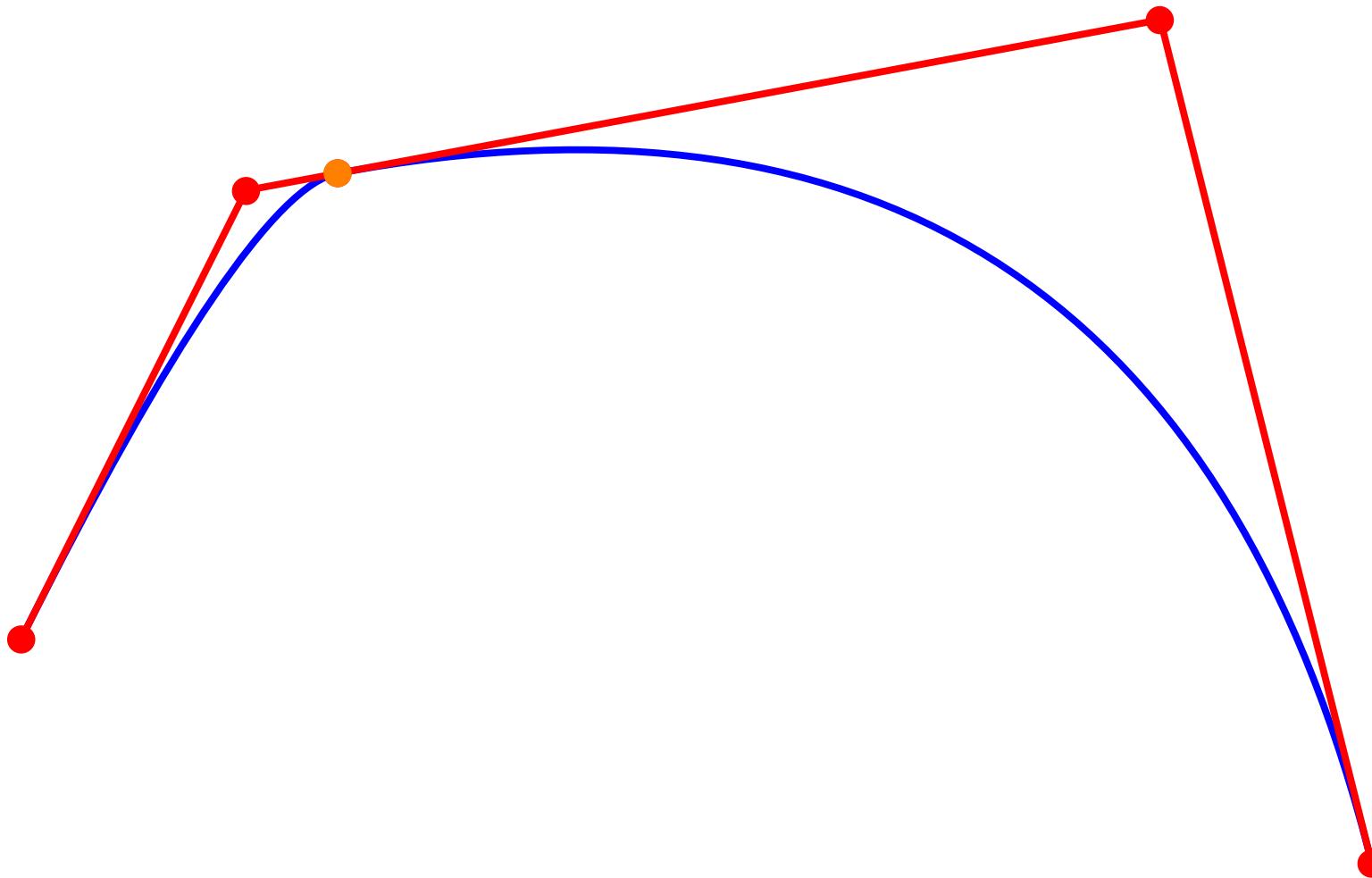


$$C = (1-\lambda)B + \lambda D$$

G² Condition



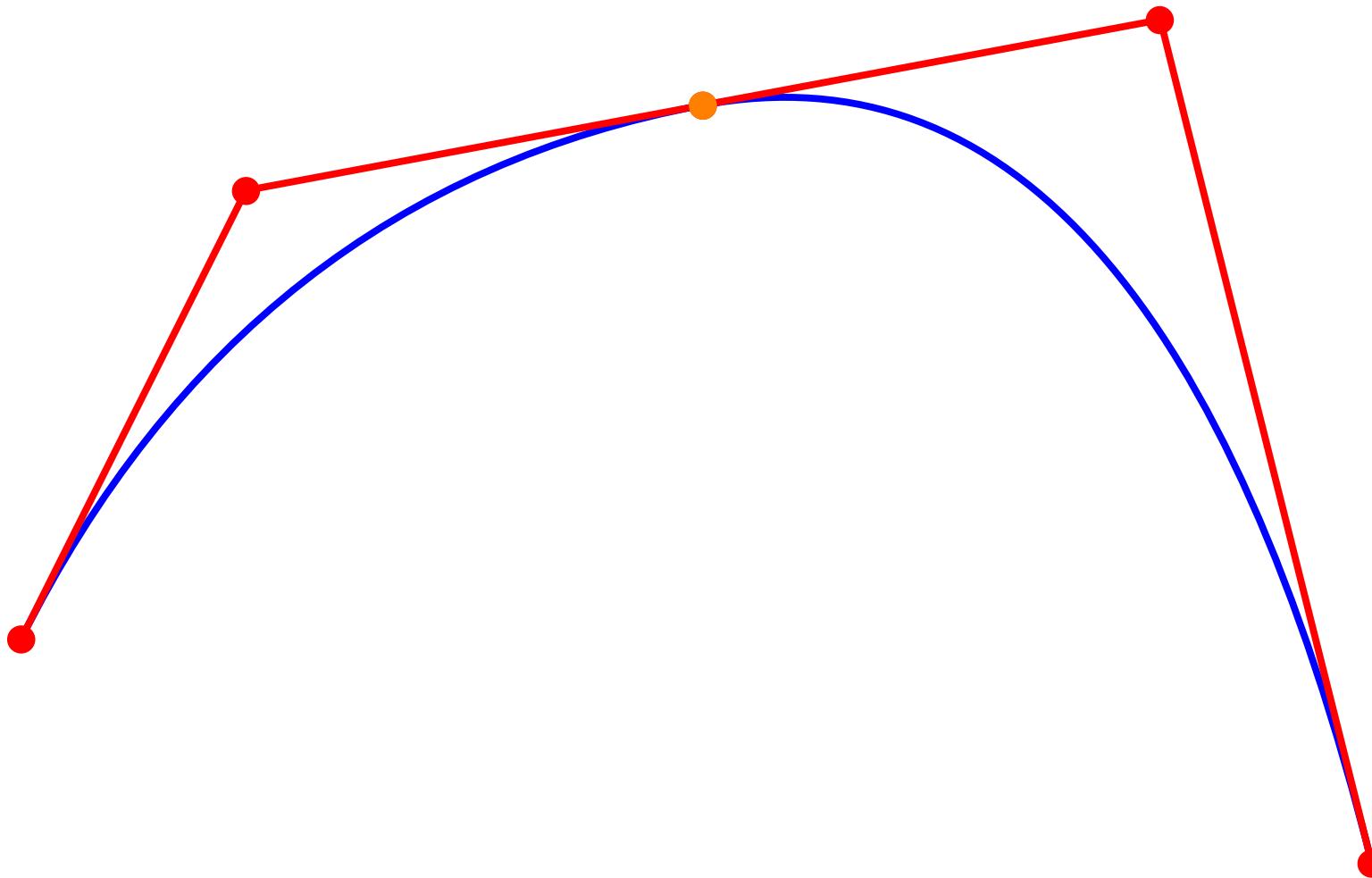
$\lambda = 0.3$



G² Condition



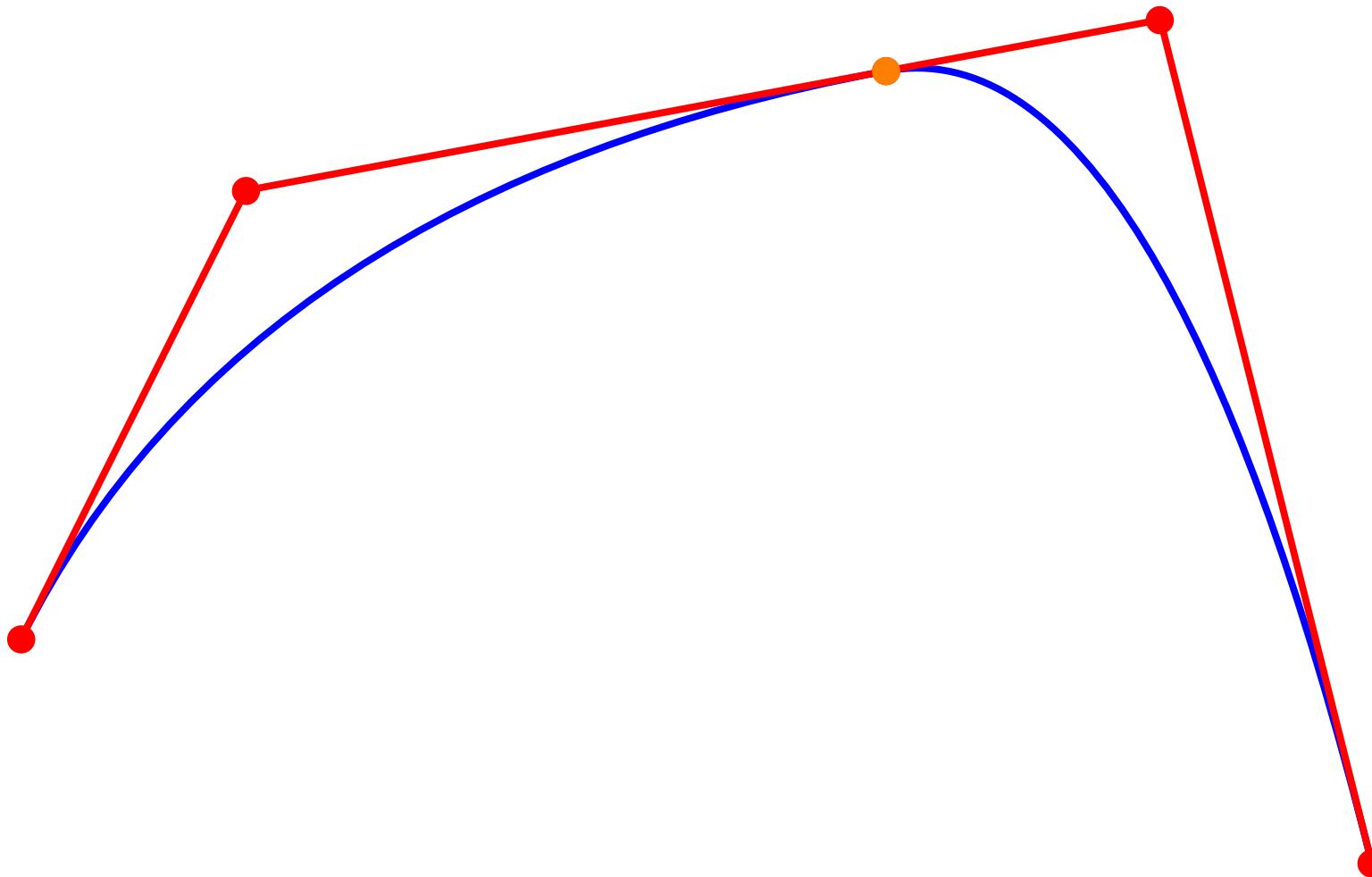
$\lambda = 0.5$



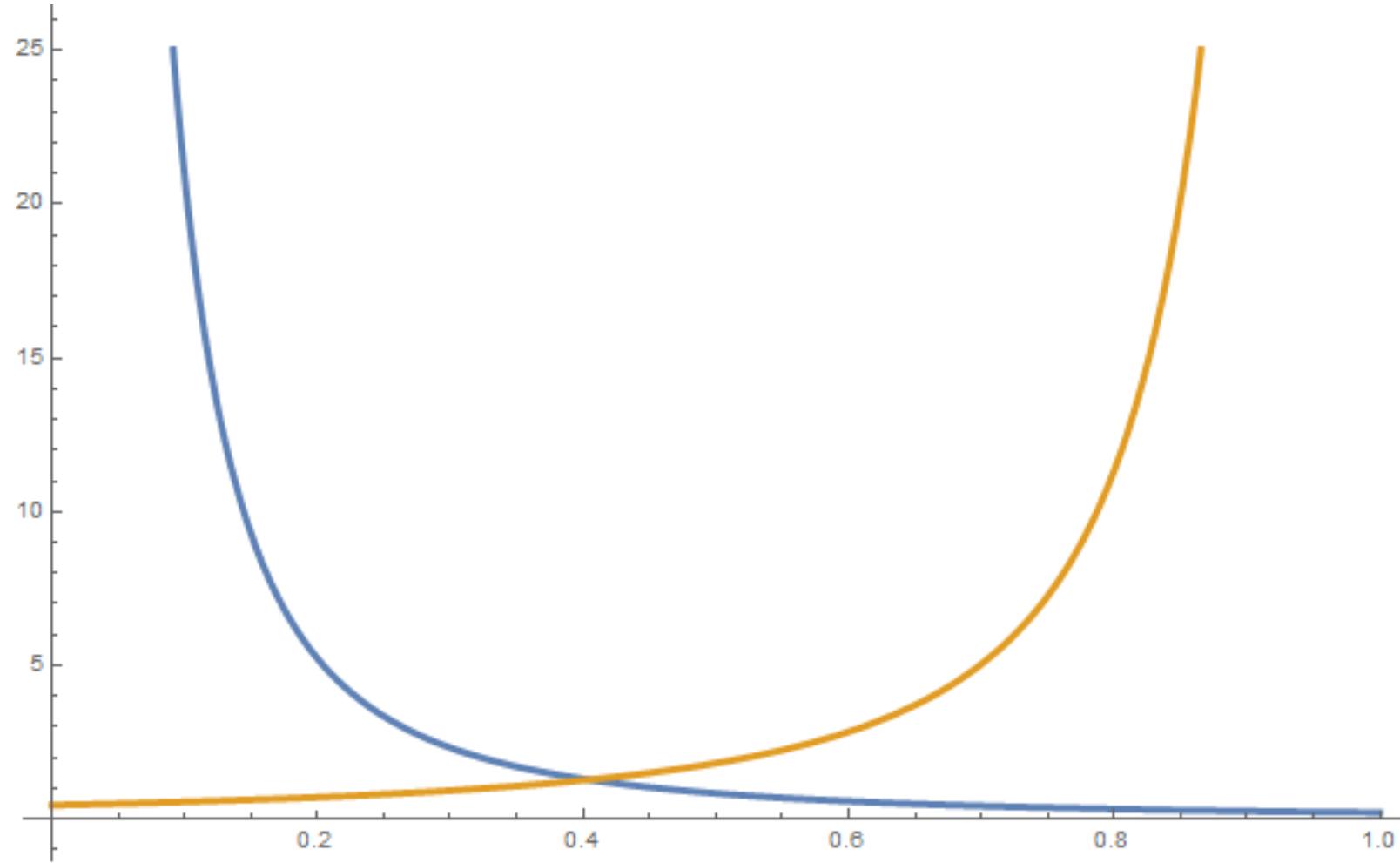
G² Condition



$\lambda = 0.7$



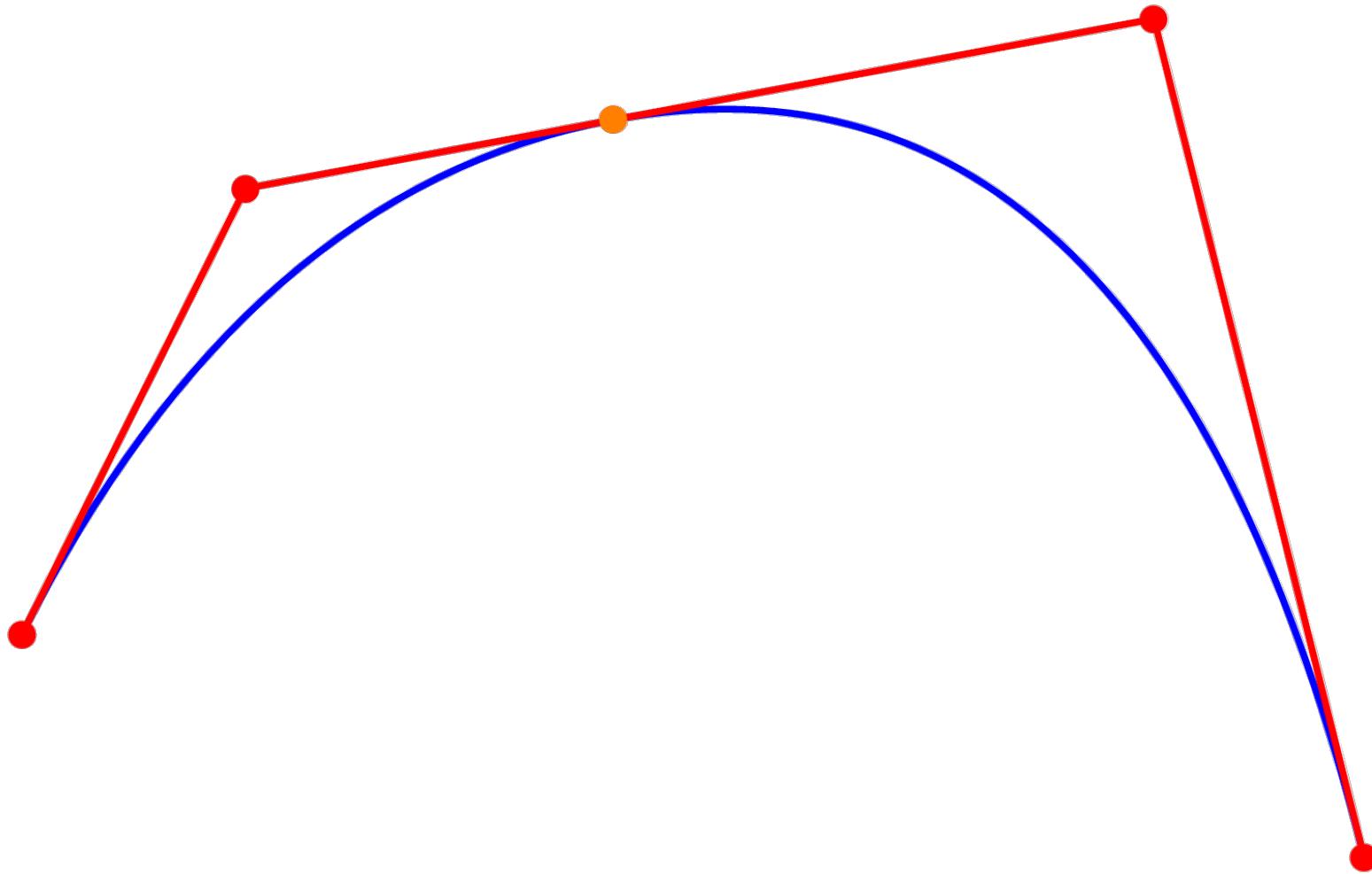
Curvature



G² Condition



$\lambda = 0.40$

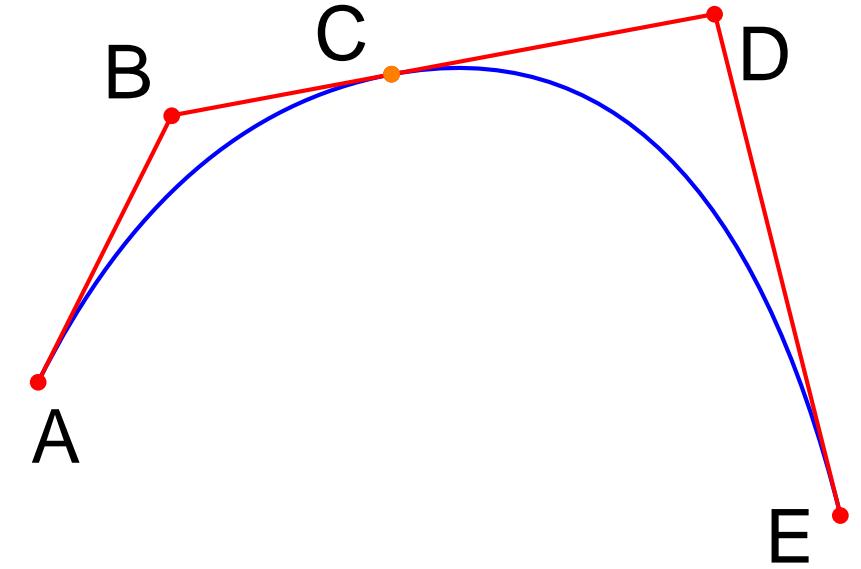


G² Joint



$$C = (1 - \lambda)B + \lambda D$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\sqrt{\Delta(A, B, D)}}{\sqrt{\Delta(A, B, D)} + \sqrt{\Delta(B, D, E)}} \in (0, 1)$$



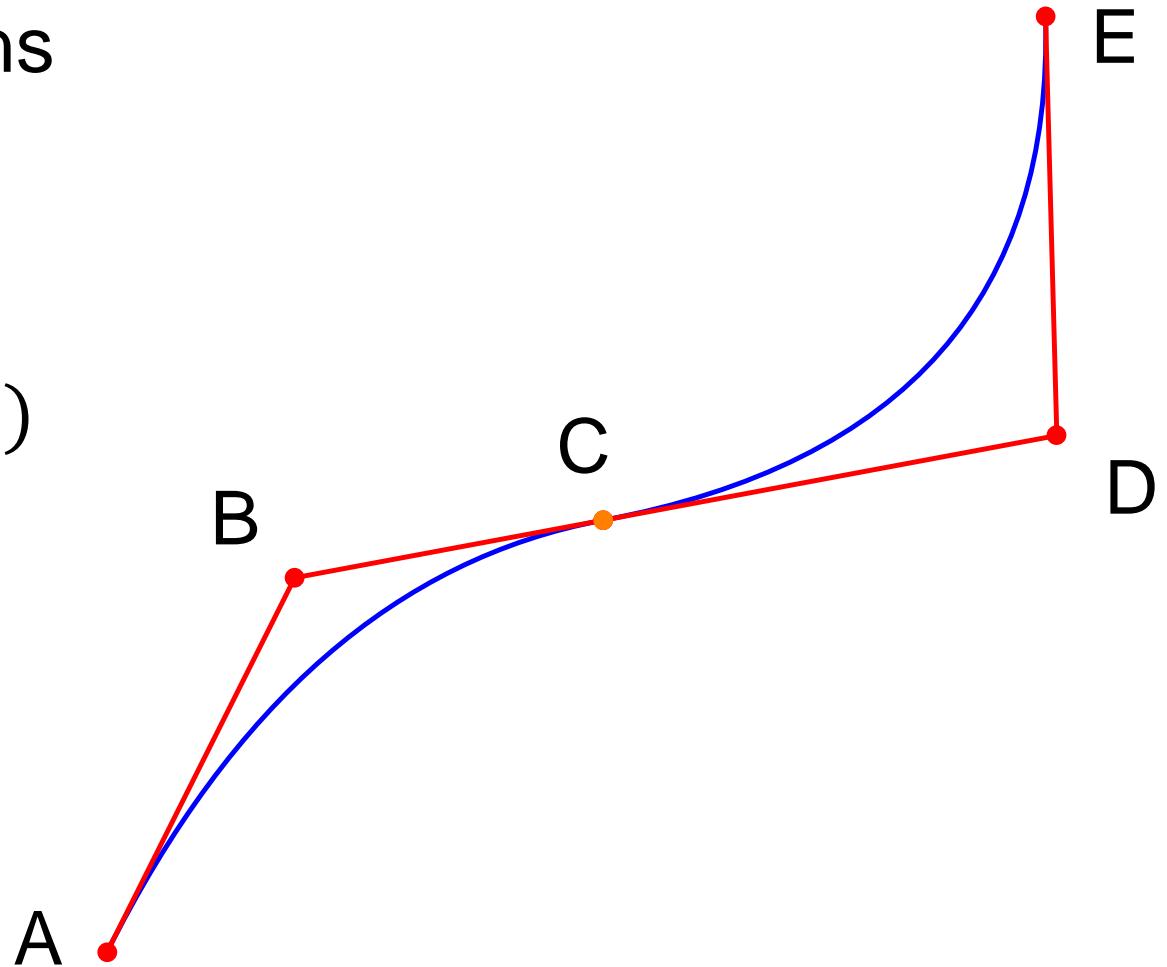


Inflection Point



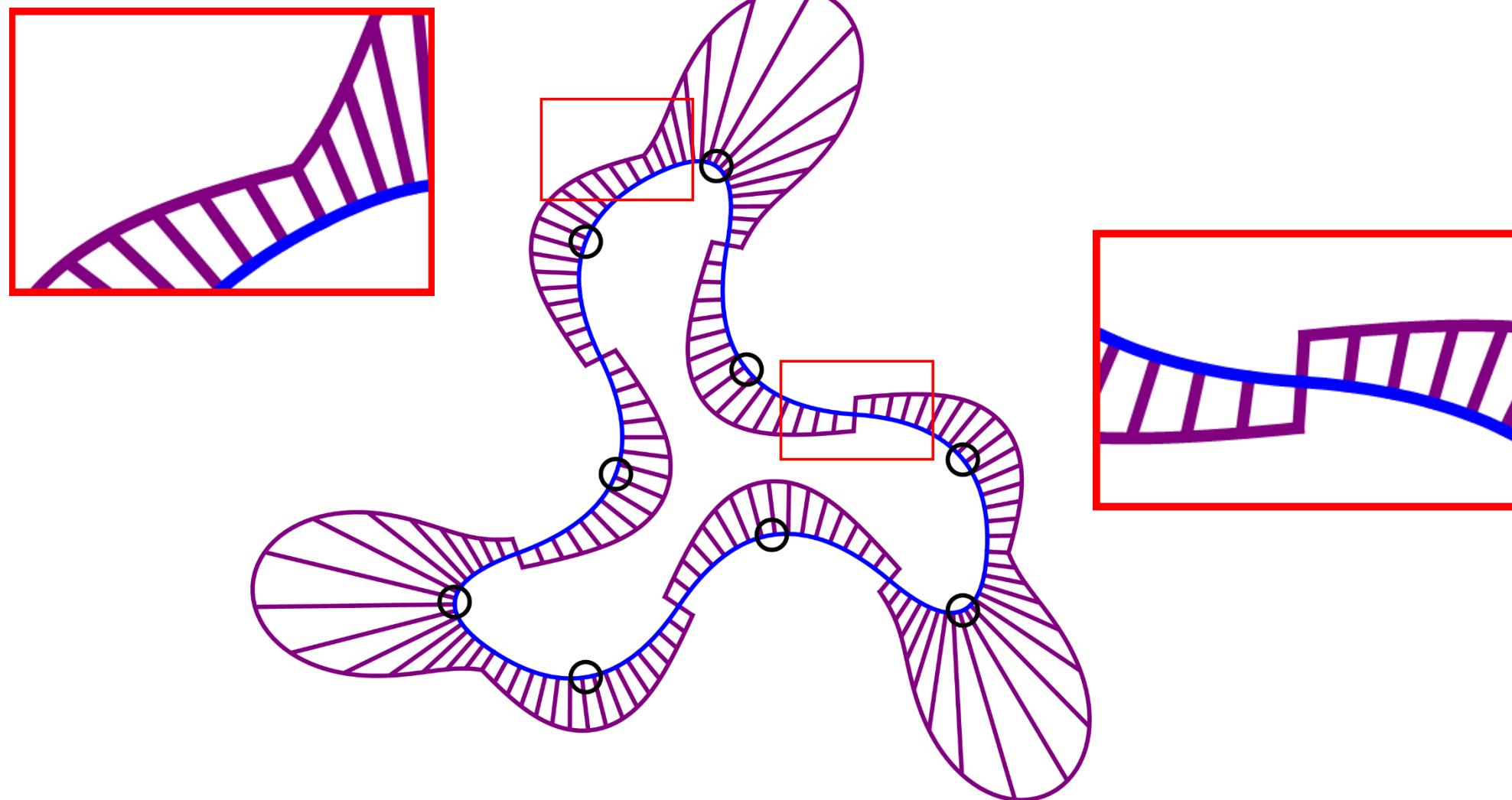
- Curvatures have different signs

- $\lambda = \frac{\sqrt{|\Delta(A,B,D)|}}{\sqrt{|\Delta(A,B,D)|} + \sqrt{|\Delta(B,D,E)|}} \in (0,1)$

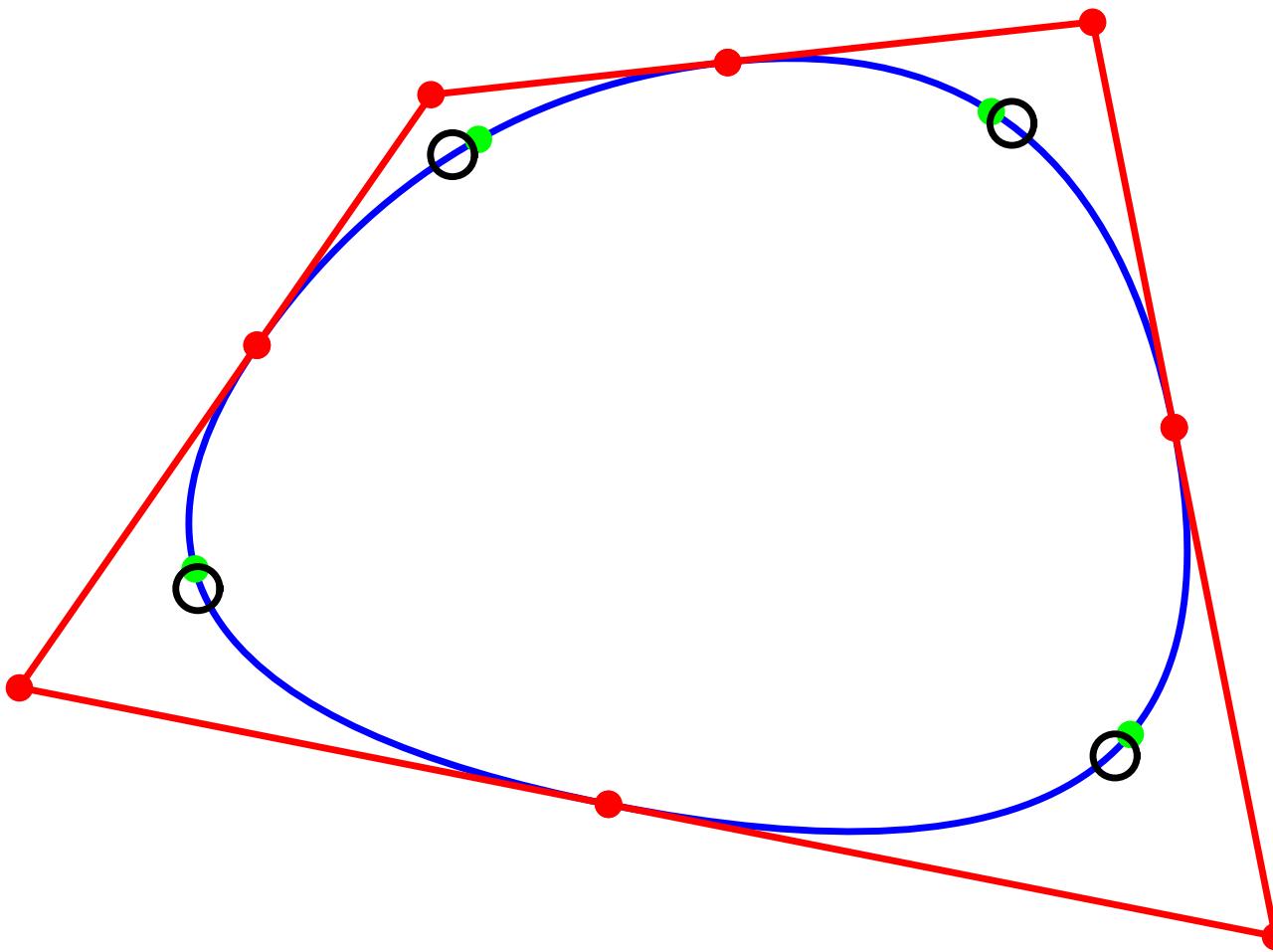




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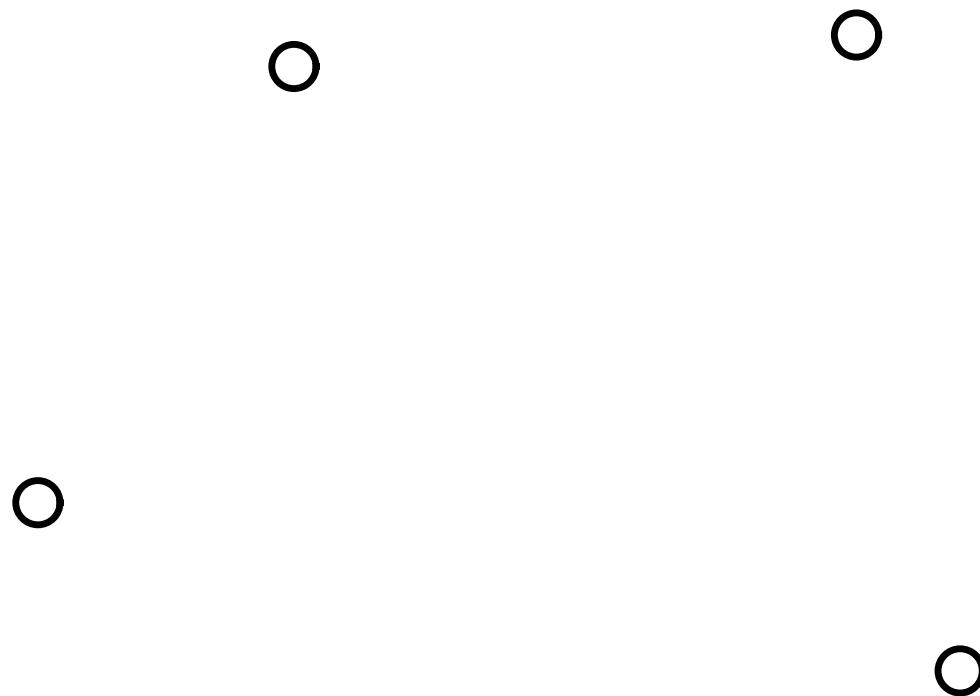
Optimization



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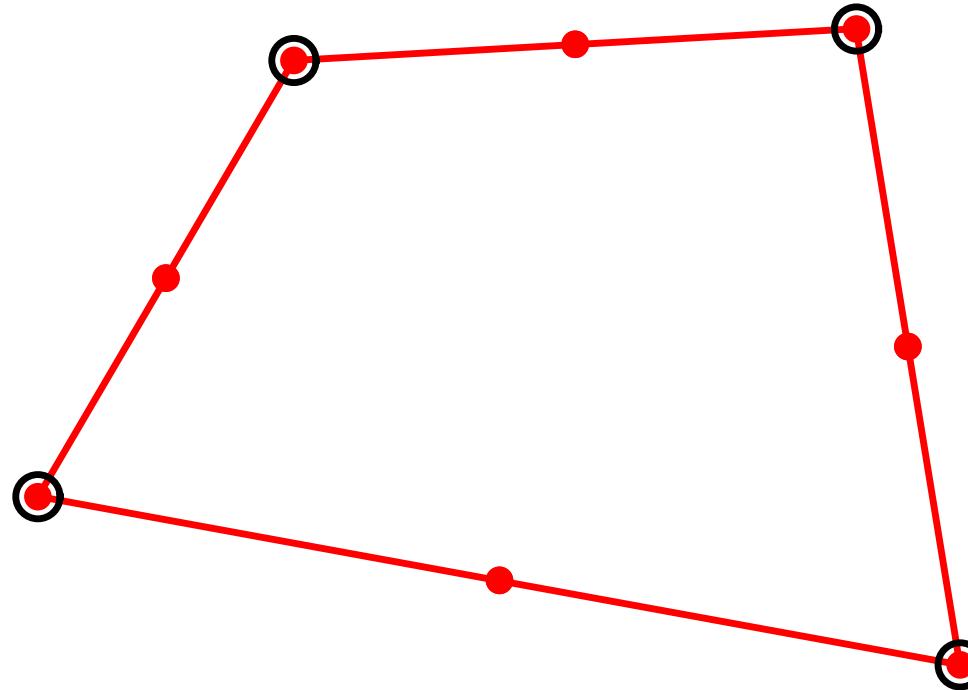
Input



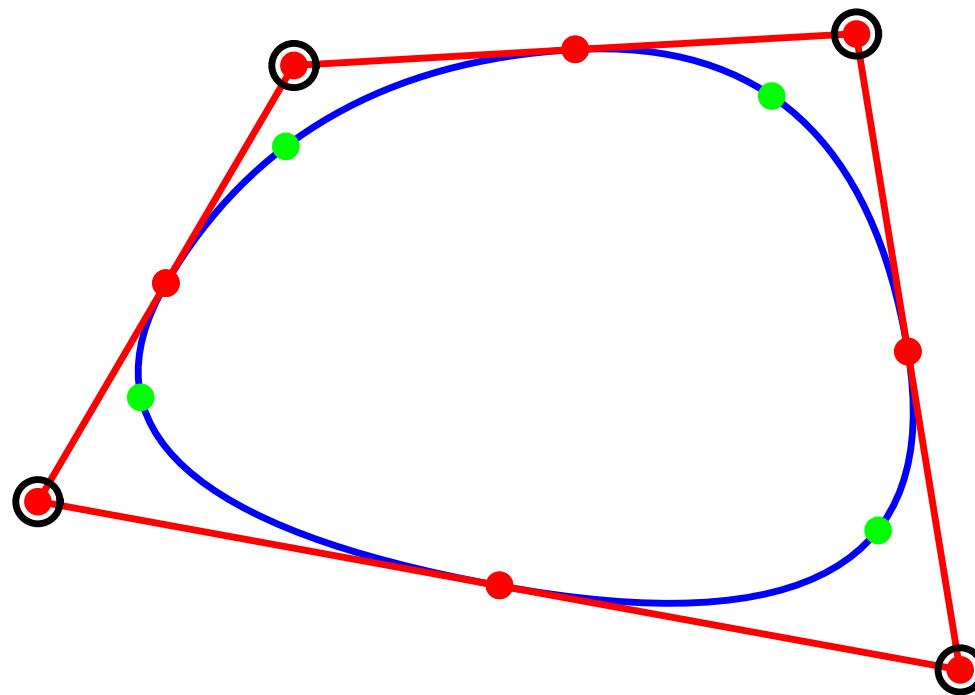
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Initialization



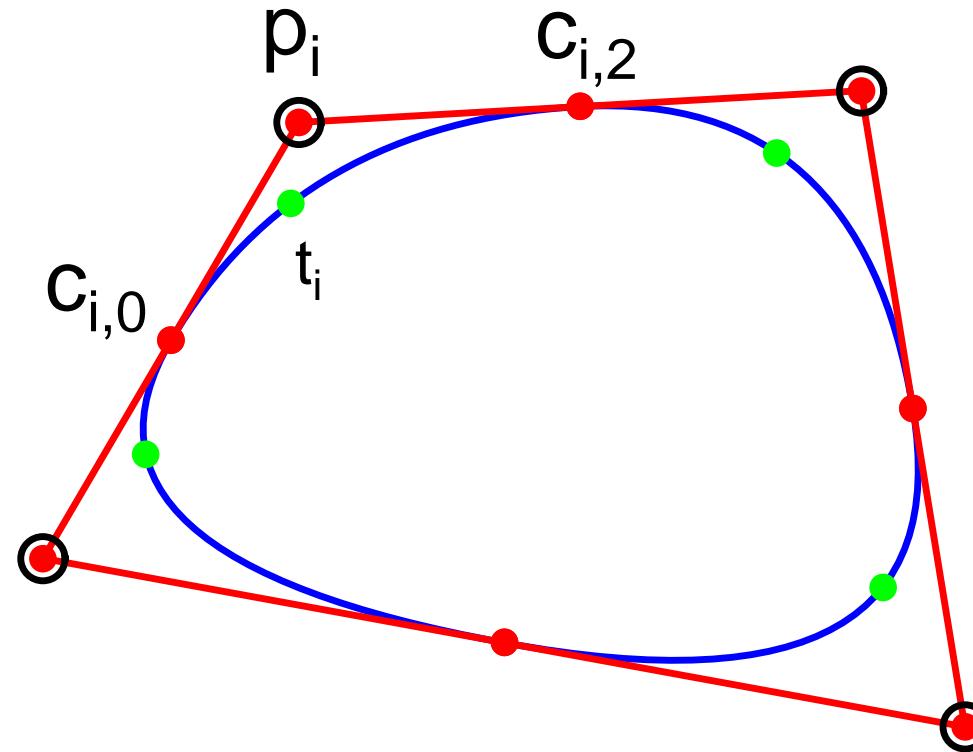
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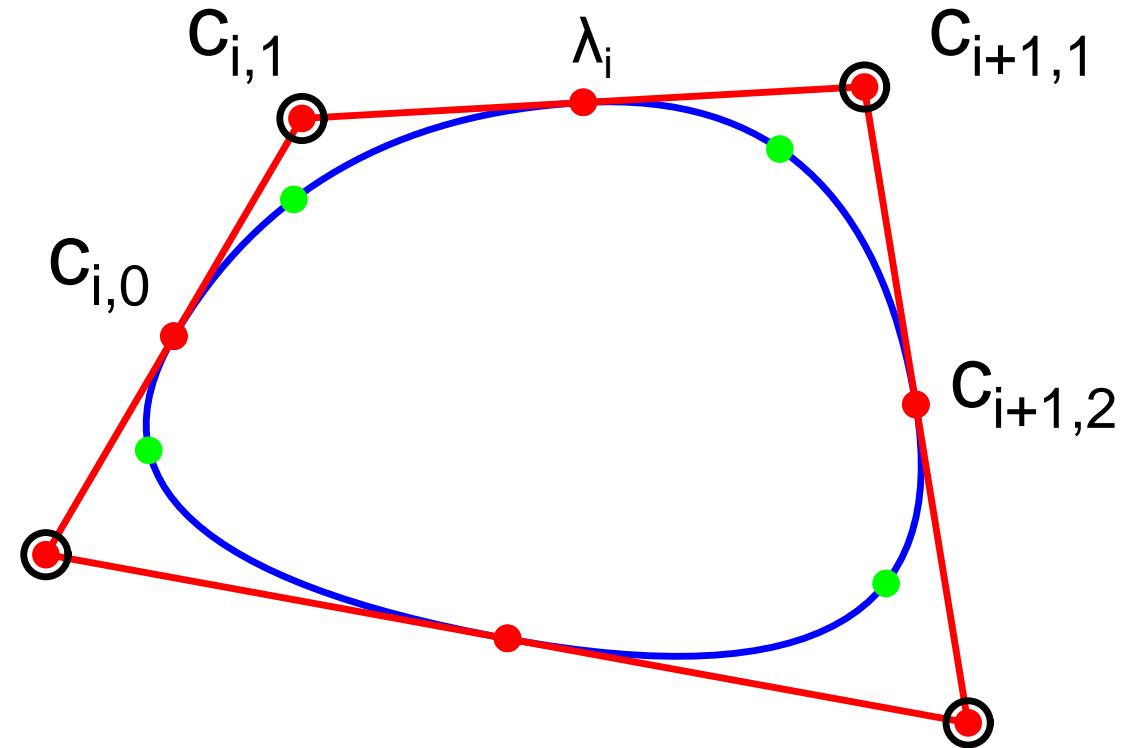
Iteration 0



Optimization



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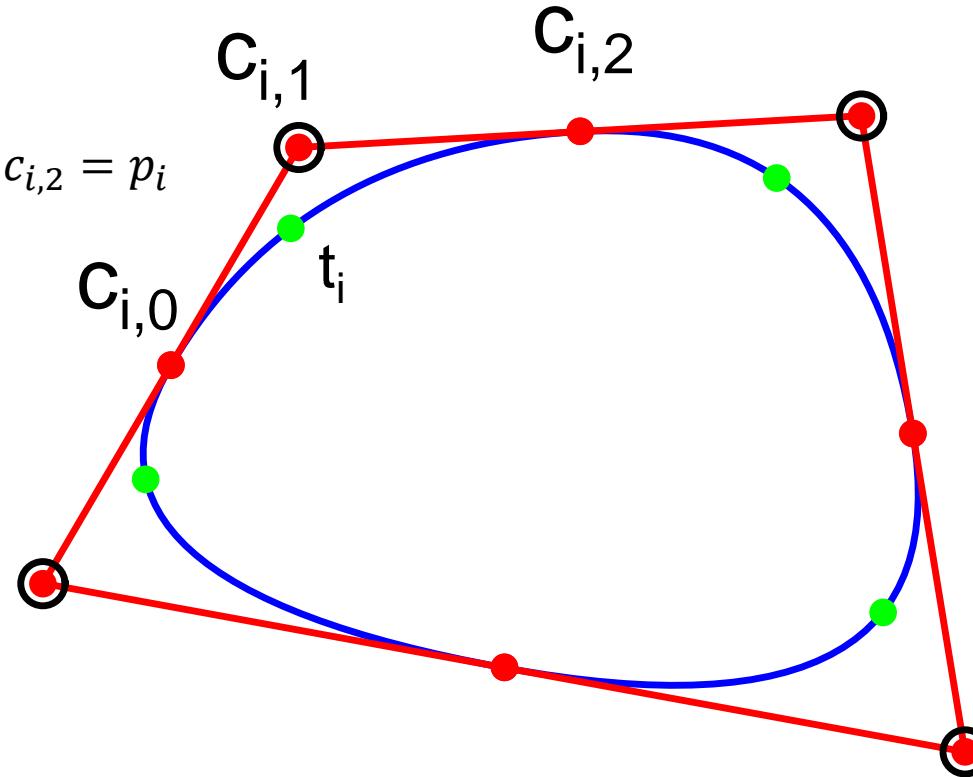


Iteration 0

$$(1 - t_i)^2 c_{i,0} + 2(1 - t_i)c_{i,1} + t^2 c_{i,2} = p_i$$

$$c_{i,2} = (1 - \lambda_i)c_{i,1} + \lambda_i c_{i+1,1}$$

Only $c_{i,1}$ is variable.



Step 2

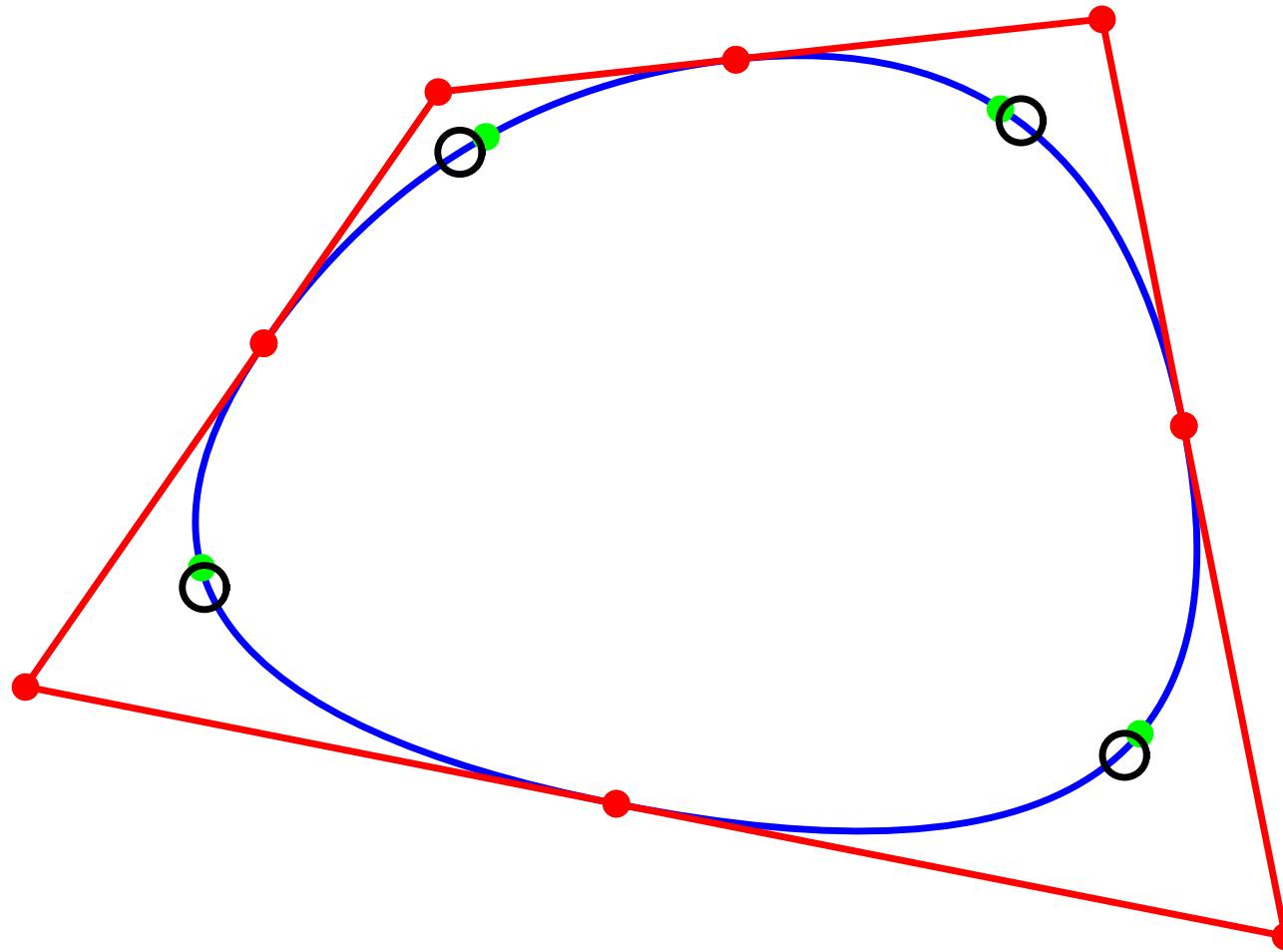


$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \\ a_{32} & \ddots & \ddots & \\ \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ a_{n1} & & a_{n,n-1} & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{1,1} \\ c_{2,1} \\ c_{3,1} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ c_{n,1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ p_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Optimization



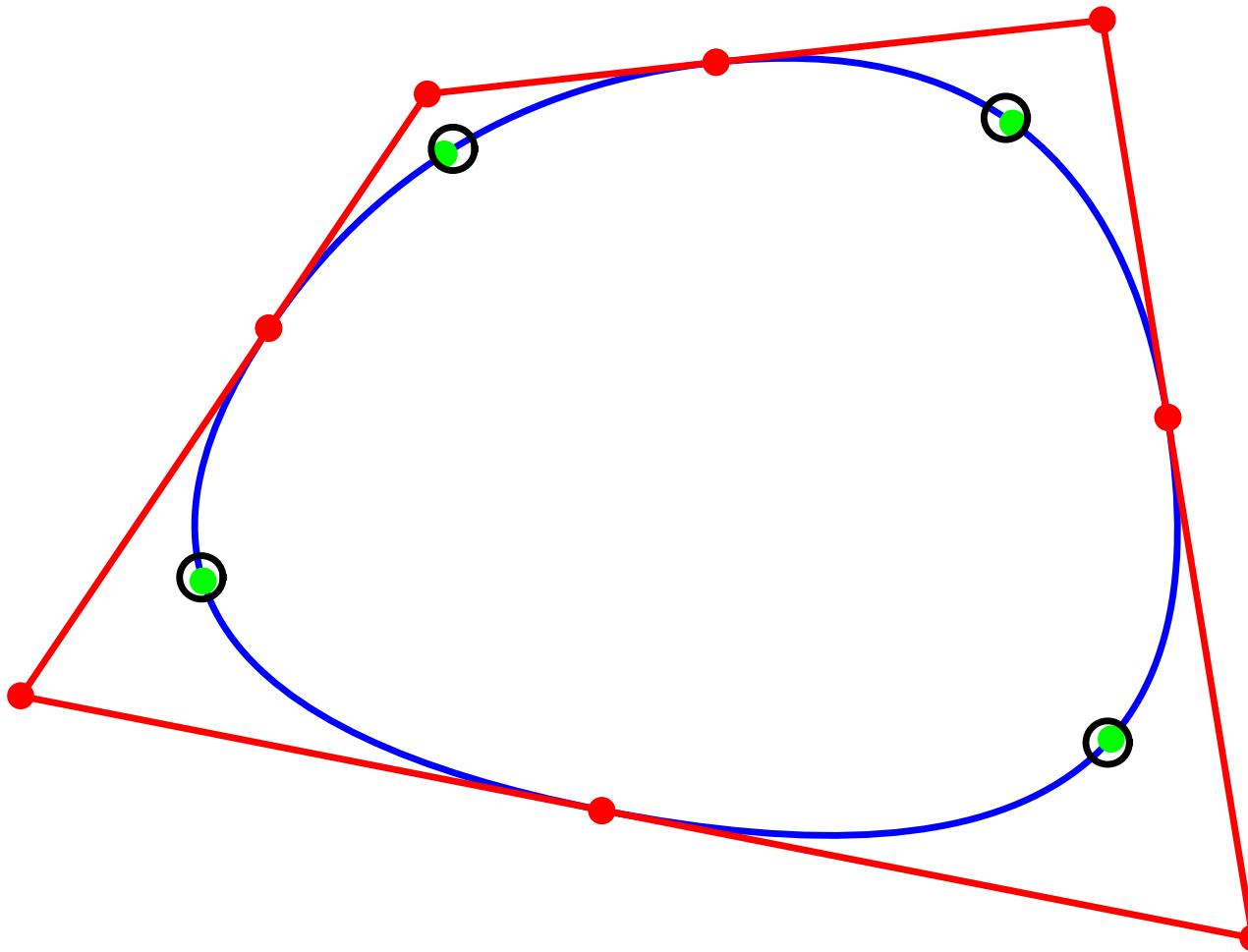
Iteration 1



Optimization



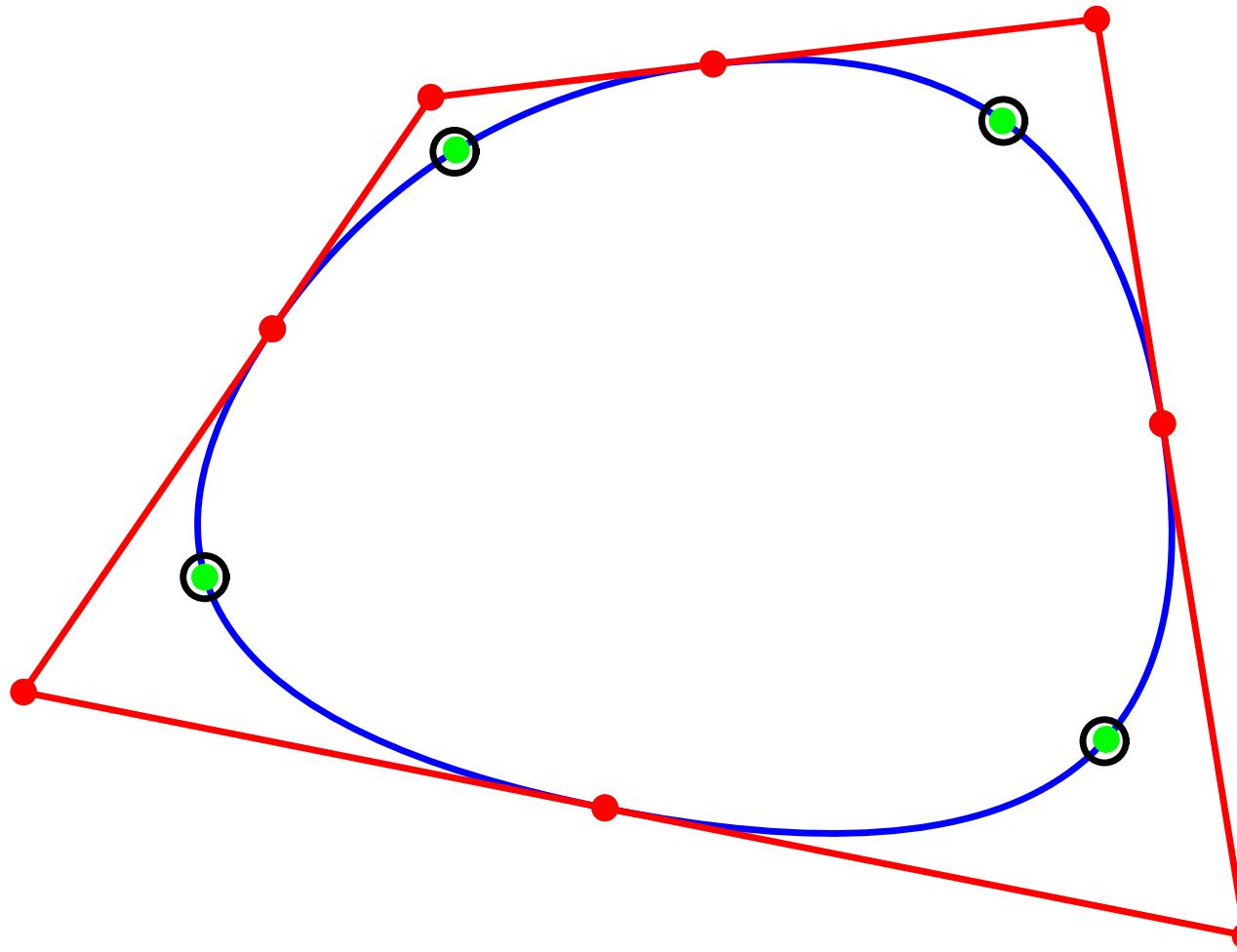
Iteration 2



Optimization



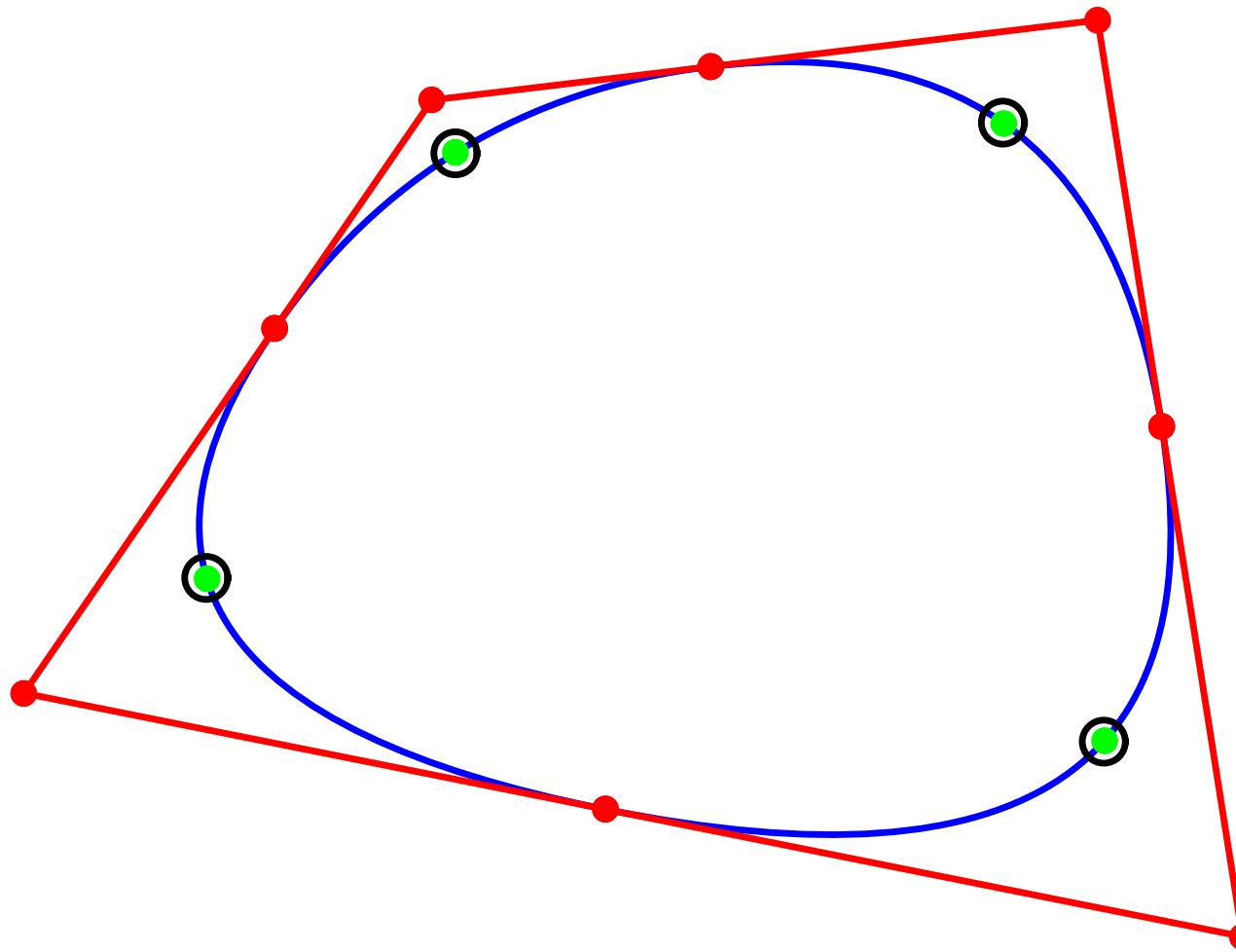
Iteration 3



Optimization



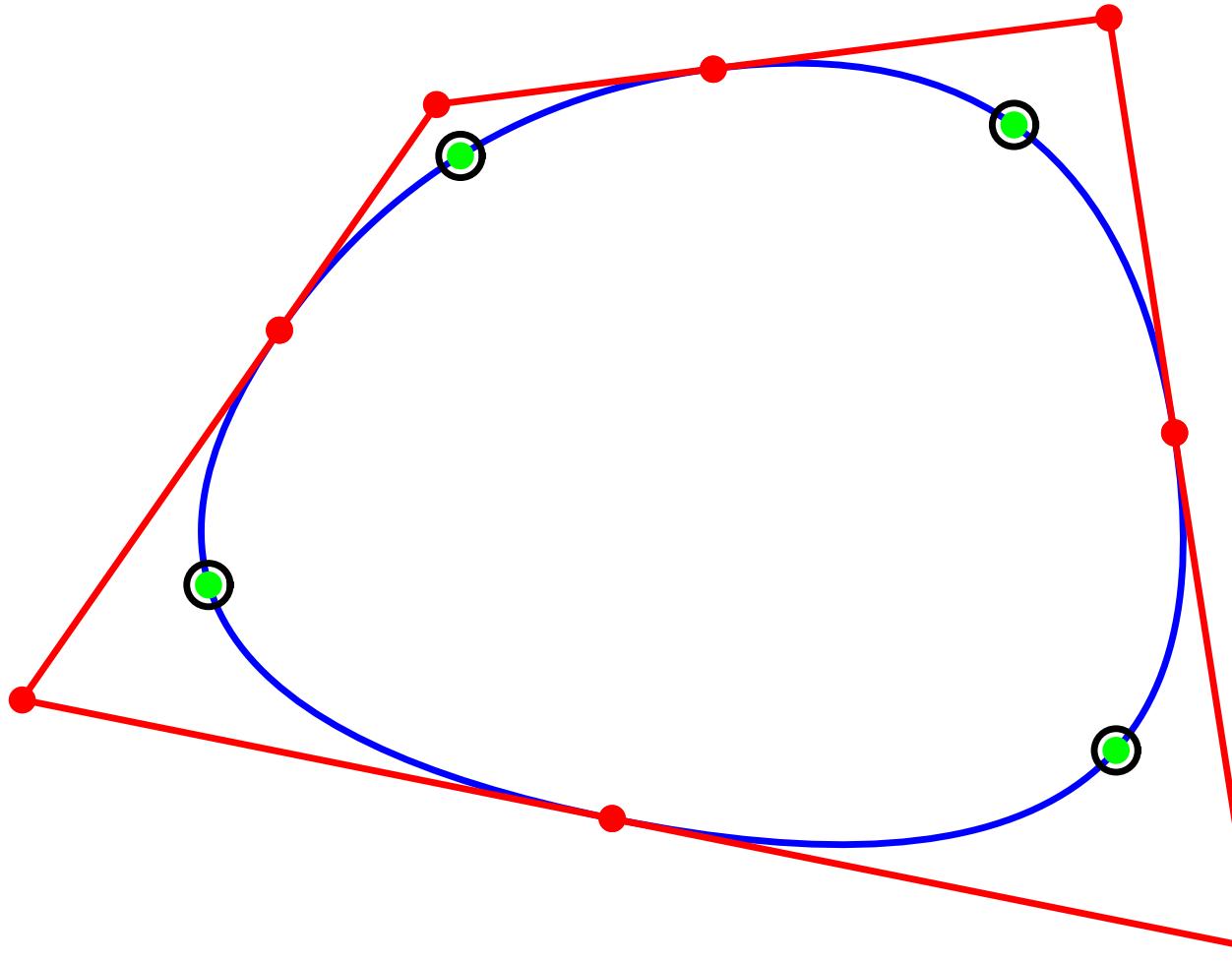
Iteration 4



Optimization



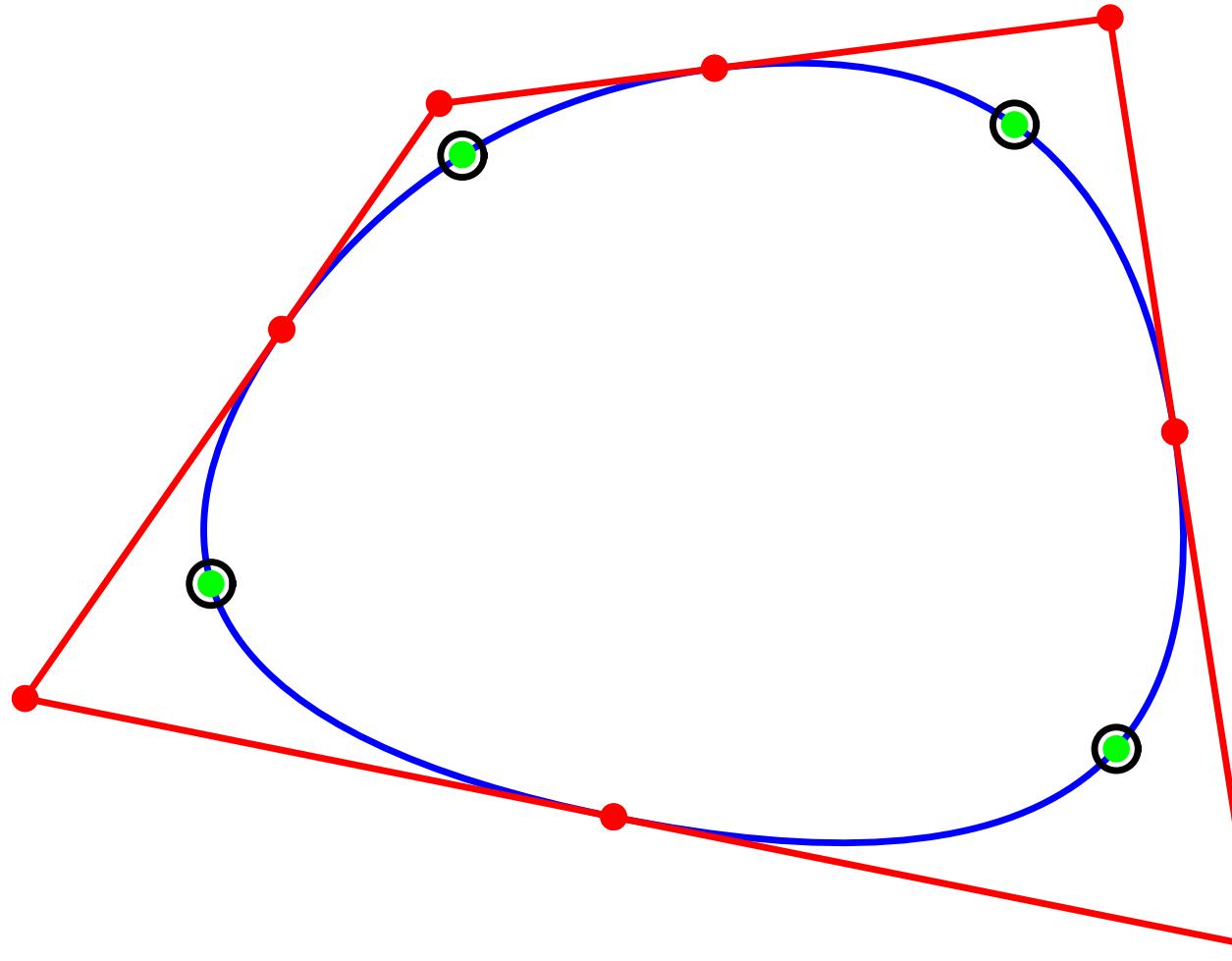
Iteration 5

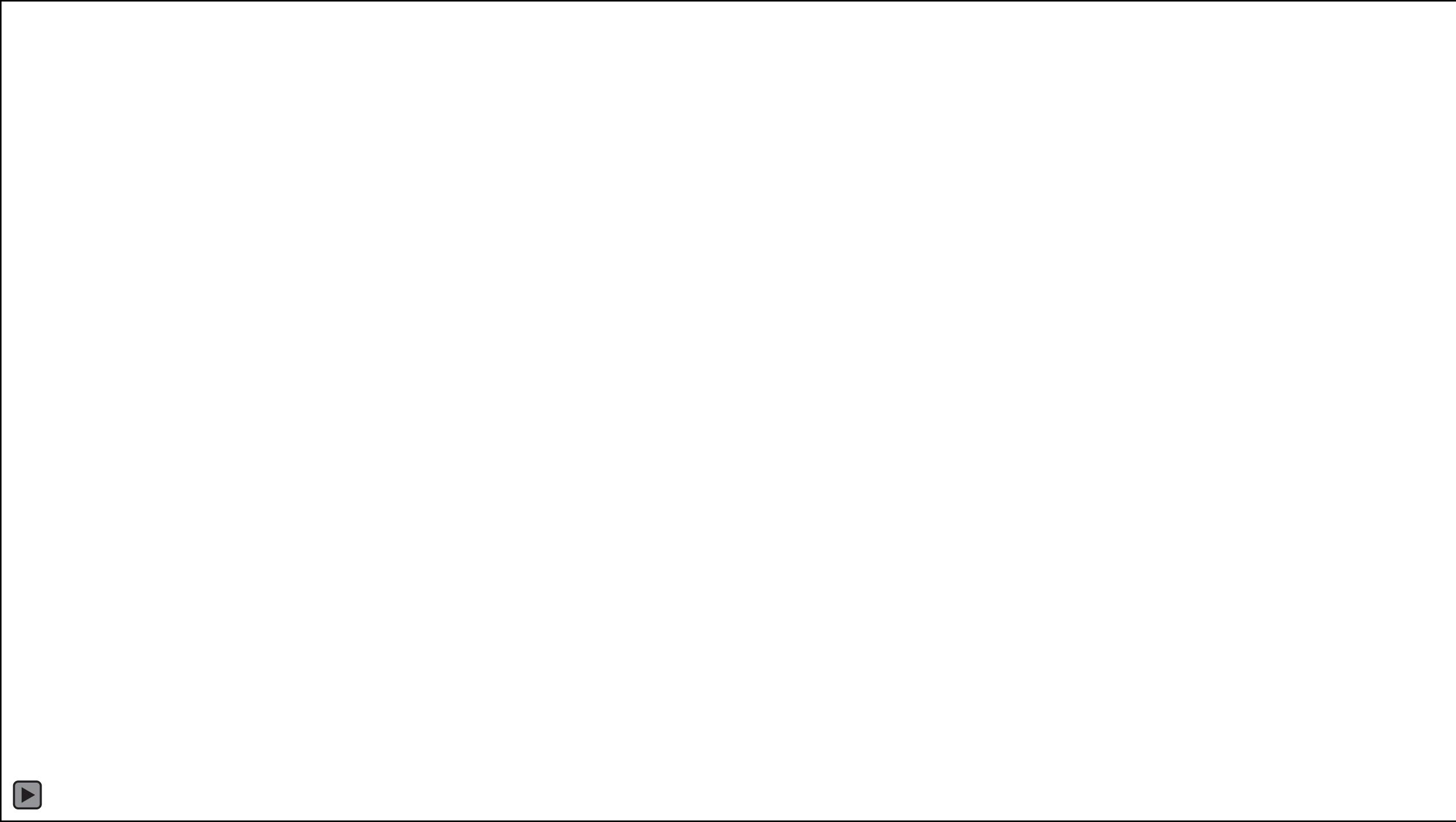


Optimization



Iteration 10





Curves with Boundaries

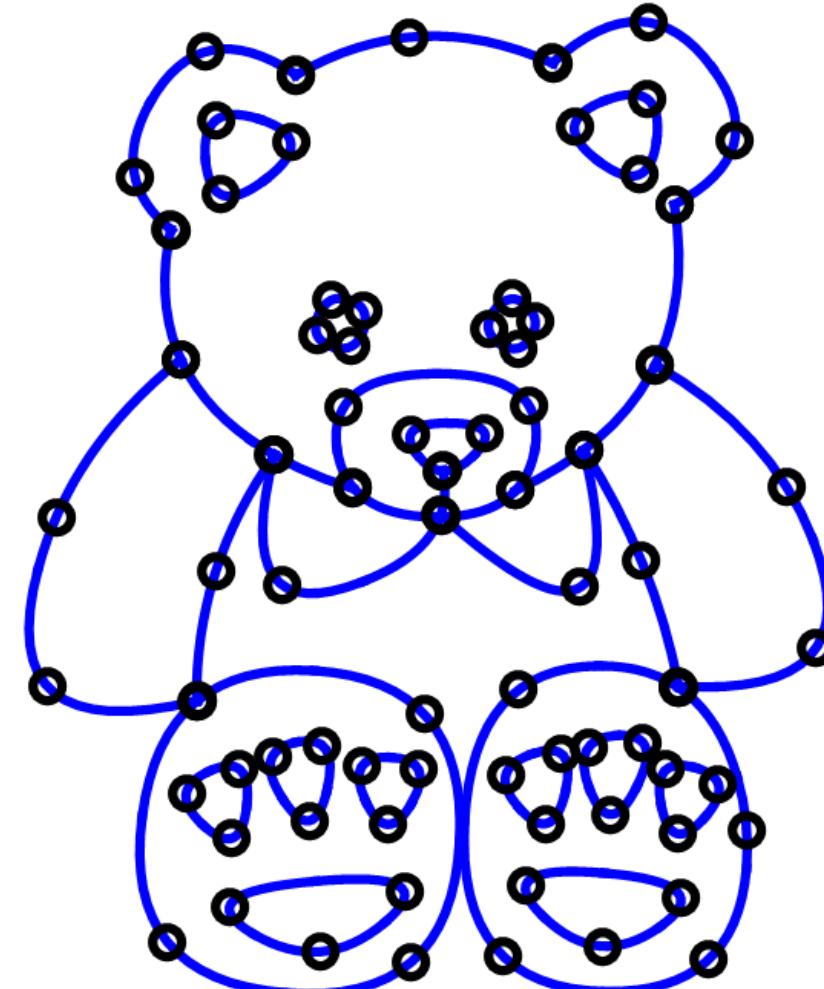




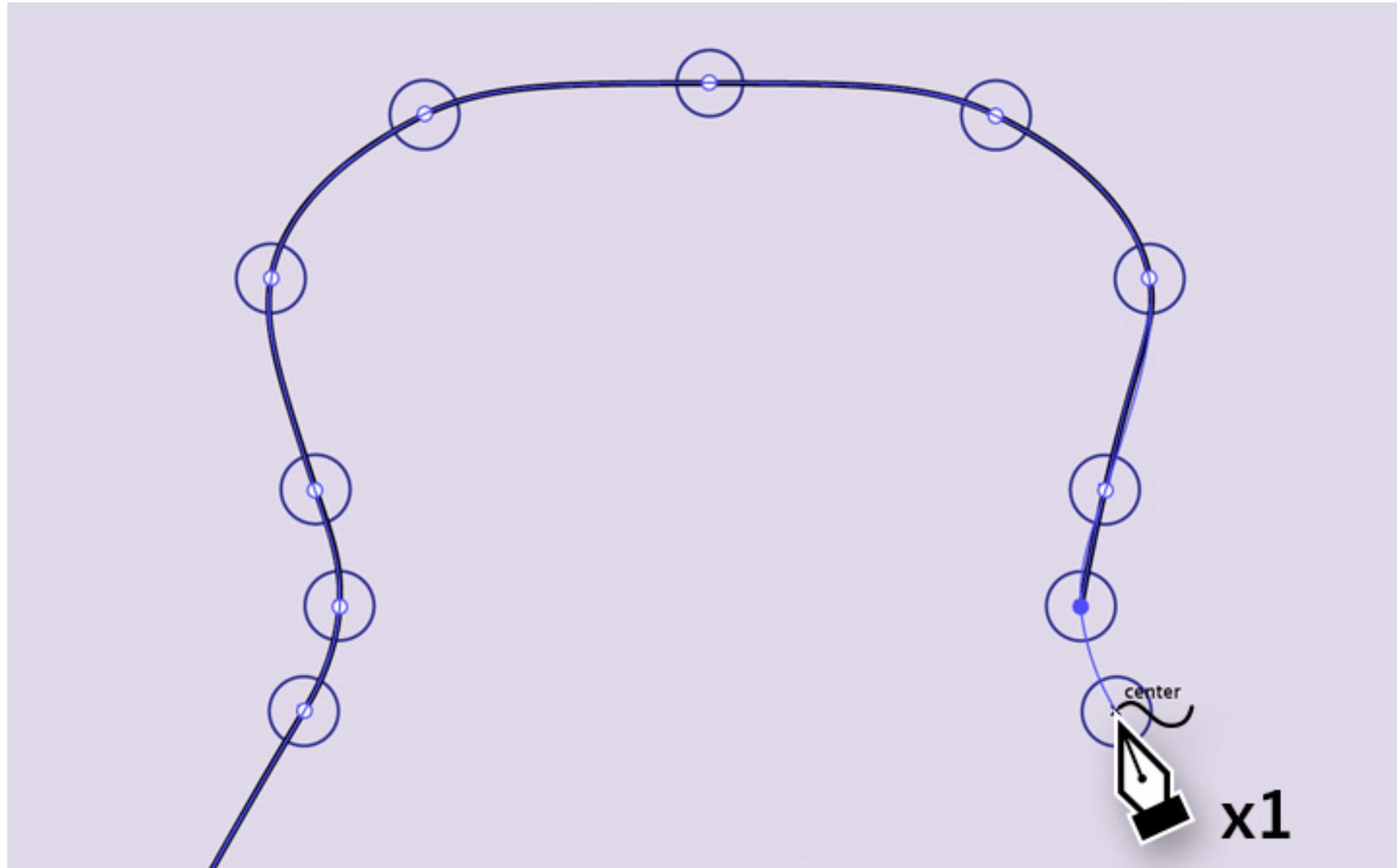
Local support in practice



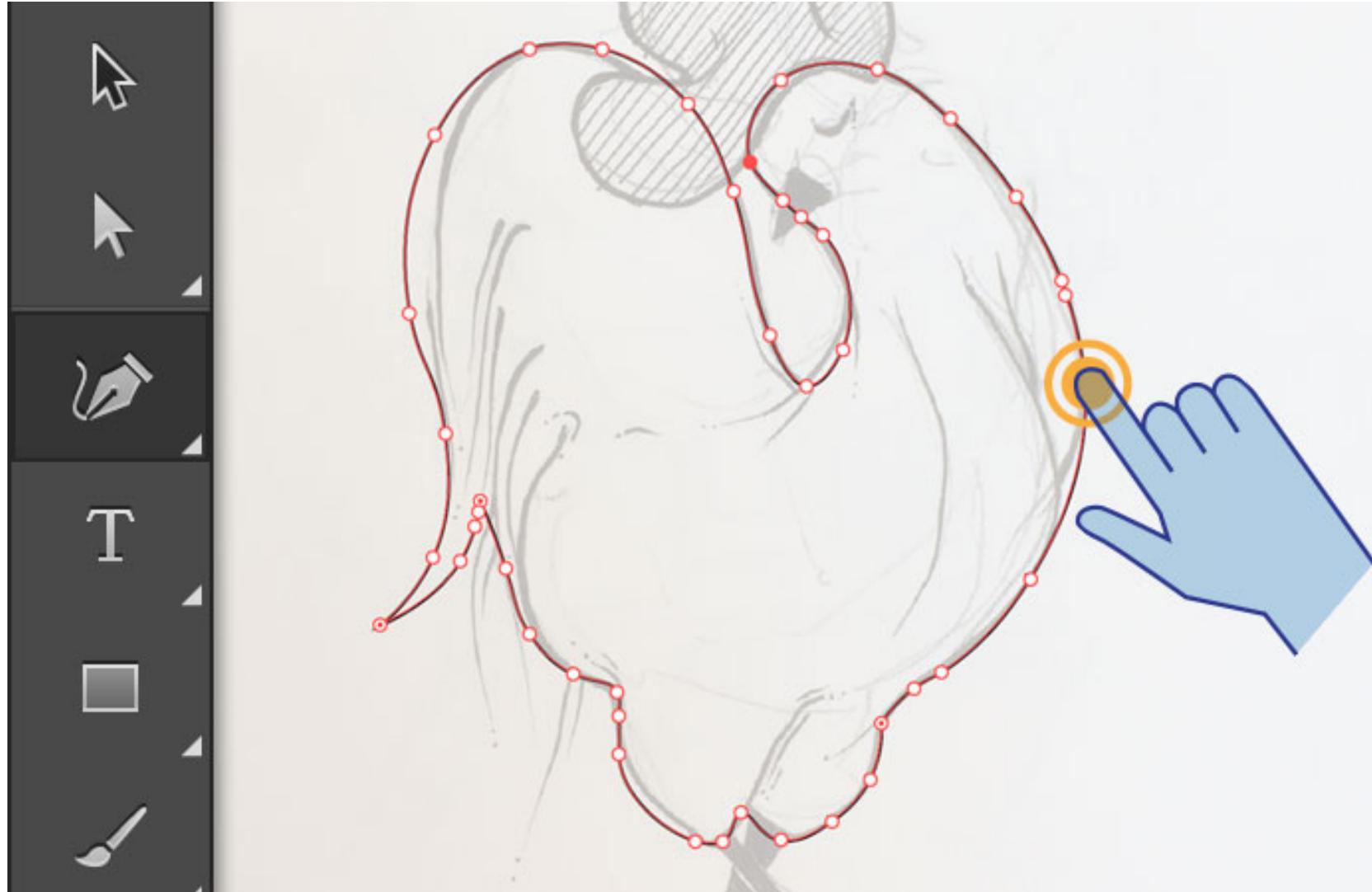
Results and Examples



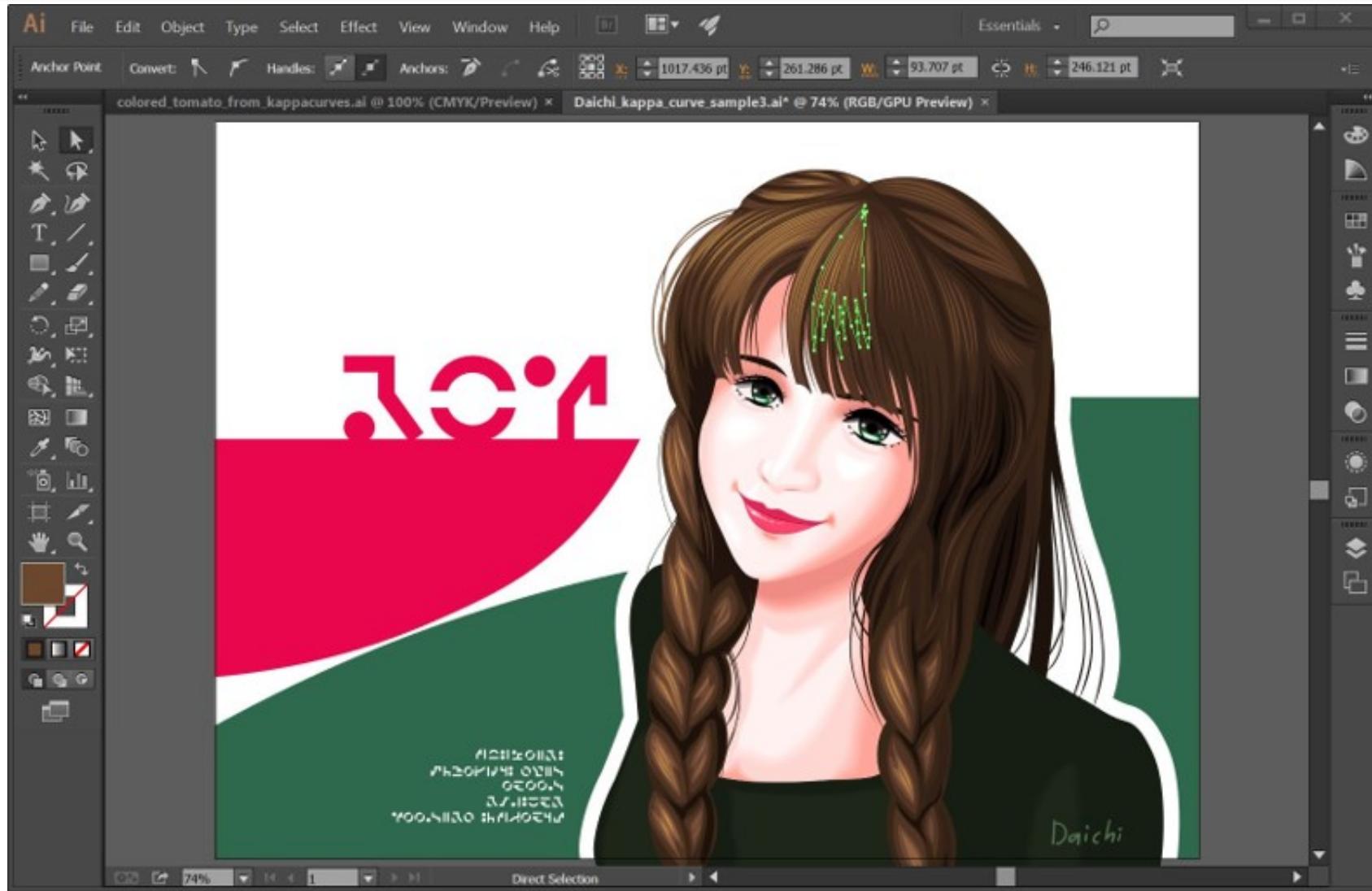
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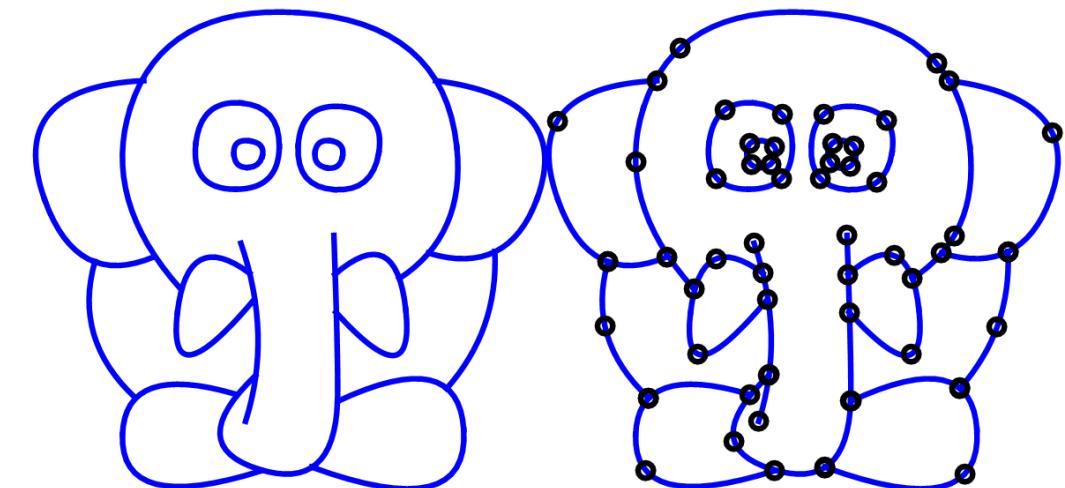
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Conclusions



- Quadratic spline
- G^2 continuous (G^1 at inflection points)
- Max curvatures only appear at control points
- Cusps only appear at control points
- Local support in practice



Future work



- Kappa curve can suit any curve primitives which have unique max curvature point
 - High degree like cubic curve
 - Rational curves
 - Integral curves
- Curves in 3D