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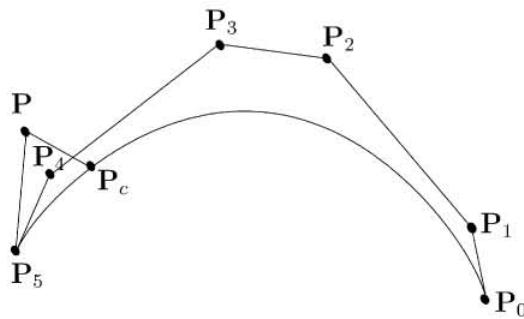


Fig. 1. A counterexample.

As shown in Fig. 1, the nearest point on a Bézier curve in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  space with the control points  $\{\mathbf{P}_i\}$  to the test point  $\mathbf{P}$  is  $\mathbf{P}_c$ , while from the algorithm in (Ma and Hewitt, 2003), the nearest point is  $\mathbf{P}_5$ , which is an end point of the curve.

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