

**Differential Geometry, MATH-45011/55011.**  
**Home Work 2, due on Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 11**  
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**Problem 1.** *Compute, curvature, torsion and also tangent, normal and binormal vectors for*

- $\alpha(t) = \left(\frac{1}{3}(1+t)^{3/2}, \frac{1}{3}(1-t)^{3/2}, \frac{t}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$ .
- $\alpha(t) = (\cos^3 t, \sin^3 t)$  (yes, there is no third coordinate ... or if you wish the third coordinate is always zero).
- $\alpha(t) = (a \cosh t, a \sinh t, at)$ .
- $\frac{x^2}{4} + y^2 = 1$ .

**Problem 2.** *Find the curvature of the line given implicitly by the equations*

$$x + \sinh x = \sin y + y \text{ and } z + e^z = x + \ln(1+x) + 1,$$

*at the point  $(0, 0, 0)$ .*

**Problem 3.** *One often gives a plane curve in polar coordinates by polar coordinates  $\rho(\theta)$ , where  $\theta \in (a, b)$  is an angle.*

*a) Show that the arclength is*

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{\rho^2 + (\rho')^2} d\theta$$

*where the prime denotes the derivative relative to  $\theta$ .*

*b) Show that the curvature is*

$$k(\theta) = \frac{|2(\rho')^2 - \rho\rho'' + \rho^2|}{((\rho')^2 + \rho^2)^{3/2}}.$$