

## Geometry of Manifolds II : Exercise Sheet 8

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Diese Aufgaben sind schriftlich auszuarbeiten und am 20. Juni vor der Vorlesung abzugeben. Für jede Aufgabe gibt es 4 Punkte.

Zweierabgaben sind erlaubt. Bitte bei der ersten Abgabe Matrikelnummer(n) angeben.

**Aufgabe 1.** Determine the arclength parametrized plane curve with curvature

$$\kappa(s) = \frac{1}{1+s^2}.$$

(Hint: using  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$  one can write  $T(s) = e^{i\beta(s)}$ . Then  $\kappa(s) = \beta'(s)$ .)

**Aufgabe 2.** Let  $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a curve parametrized by arclength. Show that

- a)  $\gamma$  takes values in an affine plane if and only if its complex curvature with respect to a parallel frame takes values in a real line through the origin.
- b)  $\gamma$  takes values in a sphere of radius  $R > 0$  if and only if its complex curvature with respect to a parallel frame takes values in a real line with distance  $1/R$  to the origin.

**Aufgabe 3.** An arclength parametrized Frenet curve  $\gamma: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  with constant curvature and torsion is a segment of a circle or a helix.

**Aufgabe 4.** A connected immersed surface  $f: M^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is totally umbilic, i.e. its principal curvatures  $\kappa_1, \kappa_2$  coincide everywhere, if and only if its image is contained in a plane or a sphere.