MATH 243: SECTION 13.4 GROUPWORK

Suppose a particle moves according to the position function $\vec{r}(t) = \langle t, 2e^t, e^{2t} \rangle$.

- (1) Compute the velocity, speed, and acceleration of the particle.¹
- (2) Compute the curvature of the path traced out by the particle in three dimensional space.²
- (3) Compute the tangential and normal components of the acceleration of the particle.

¹Hint: $1 + 4e^{2t} + 4e^{4t} = (1 + 2e^{2t})^2$.

²See the previous hint.