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# A novel method for Mannheim curves in the Galilean 3–space G<sub>3</sub>

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**Abstract:** This research presents a novel method for Mannheim curves in three-dimensional Galilean space  $G_3$ . Using this method, the necessary and sufficient conditions, along with the established results, must be satisfied for a curve in  $G_3$  to qualify as a Mannheim curve. Furthermore, relevant examples and graphs are provided to demonstrate how Mannheim curves and their partners can correspond to Salkowski and anti-Salkowski curves. Finally, in  $G_3$ , the Mannheim partner curves are described.

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## 1. Introduction

In the Galilean 3-space  $G_3$ , Ogreenmis et al. [11] proposed that if both curvatures,  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$  are positive constants along the curve  $\beta$ , then the curve  $\beta$  is considered a circular helix with respect to the Frenet frame  $\mathbf{t}(s)$ ,  $\mathbf{n}(s)$ , and  $\mathbf{b}(s)$ .

Furthermore, concerning the Frenet frame, a curve  $\beta$  is characterized as a general helix if the ratio  $\frac{\kappa}{\tau}$  remains constant, and the converse is also true.

Additionally, the concept of a slant helix was introduced by Karacan and Tuncer [10]. If a constant vector field *W* exists in  $G_3$  and the function  $\langle W, n(s) \rangle_{G_3}$  is constant, then a curve  $\beta$  is called a slant helix. Moreover, if one of the two functions,

$$\pm \frac{\kappa^2}{\tau^3} \frac{d}{ds} \left(\frac{\tau}{\kappa}\right)$$

is constant everywhere and  $\tau$  does not vanish, then the curve is identified as a slant helix in  $G_3$ , and the converse is also true.

Bertrand explored curves in Euclidean 3-space whose principal normal is the principal normal of another curve in the classical differential geometry of curves. He demonstrated that a linear relationship with constant coefficients between the first and second curvatures of the original curve is a necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of such a second curve [3], i.e.,  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$  satisfy the equation  $c_1\kappa + c_2\tau = 1$ , where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  belong to  $\mathbb{R}$ . A related curve is called a Mannheim curve, in which the binormal vector field of one curve is the principal normal vector field of another. Liu and Wang [17] examined Mannheim partner curves in both Minkowski and Euclidean 3-space. Since these works, many studies on Mannheim curves in Euclidean 3-space, Minkowski 3-space, dual 3-space, and Galilean spaces have been published [2, 4, 7–9, 12–15].

Let  $\gamma(s)$  be an admissible Mannheim curve, and take  $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$  as the admissible Mannheim companion curve of  $\gamma(s)$  through the Galilean 3–space  $G_3$ . In scholarly works,  $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$  is expressed as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \widetilde{\gamma}(g(s)) = \gamma(s) + \lambda(s) \mathbf{n}(s), \tag{1.1}$$

in which case the function g(s) is differentiable, and  $\mathbf{n}(s)$  is the major normal line of  $\gamma(s)$  [16]. In relation (1.1), the vector  $\overrightarrow{\gamma} \gamma$  does not have to be linearly dependent with the  $\mathbf{n}(s)$  vector.

Hence, the Mannheim mate curve,  $\tilde{\gamma}$ , is assumed to be produced by

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \widetilde{\gamma}(g(s)) = \gamma(s) + \lambda_1(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \lambda_2(s) \mathbf{n}(s) + \lambda_3(s) \mathbf{b}(s),$$
(1.2)

where the Frenet frame of  $\gamma(s)$  is represented by  $\mathbf{t}(s)$ ,  $\mathbf{n}(s)$ , and  $\mathbf{b}(s)$ . During this situation, if we accept  $\lambda_1(s) = \lambda_3(s) = 0$ , we receive the instance that is referenced inside the written works. Therefore, in our article we took  $\lambda_1 \neq 0$ , and  $\lambda_3 \neq 0$  to provide the Mannheim generalized curve in  $G_3$ .

Throughout this work, we establish the circumstances that must be satisfied for a  $G_3$  curve to qualify as a Mannheim curve and give instances that correspond to this new way of defining Mannheim curves. Finally, we describe Mannheim mate curves within  $G_3$ .

#### 2. Galilean 3–space curves

We will provide a few definitions in this section that will be used in our paper. For more fundamental concepts, see [1,5,6].

Galilean space in three dimensions,  $G_3$ , is defined as the Cayley-Klein space, where the characteristic protective metric has the signature (0, 0, +, +). In Galilean space, the absolute is represented by a triple (V, E, J). V indicates the ideal plane, E defines a line in V, and J represents an elliptic point of involution  $(0:0:r_2:r_3) \rightarrow (0:0:r_3:-r_2)$ .

A plane is called Euclidean if it contains *E*, otherwise it is called isotropic. A vector  $r = (r_1, r_2, r_3)$  is described as not being isotropic if  $r_1 \neq 0$ . The form of all unit non-isotropic vectors is  $r = (1, r_2, r_3)$ . Regarding the isotropic vectors,  $r_1$  is equal to zero.

Allow  $\vec{\eta} = (\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3)$  and  $\vec{\xi} = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3)$  to be two vectors in Galilean 3–space  $G_3$ . In  $G_3$ , a dot product is described as

$$\langle \overrightarrow{\eta}, \overrightarrow{\xi} \rangle_{G_3} = \begin{cases} \eta_1 \xi_1 & \text{if } \eta_1 \neq 0 \text{ or } \xi_1 \neq 0; \\ \eta_2 \xi_2 + \eta_3 \xi_3 & \text{if } \eta_1 = 0 \text{ and } \xi_1 = 0. \end{cases}$$

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The vector  $\vec{\zeta} = (\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \zeta_3)$ , in  $G_3$ , has the following norm:  $\|\vec{\zeta}\| = \sqrt{\langle \vec{\zeta}, \vec{\zeta} \rangle}$ . The Galilean vector product can be defined as

$$\overrightarrow{\eta} \times \overrightarrow{\xi} = \begin{vmatrix} 0 & e_2 & e_3 \\ \eta_1 & \eta_2 & \eta_3 \\ \xi_1 & \xi_2 & \xi_3 \end{vmatrix}.$$

In a coordinate form, assume that  $\beta : I \to G_3$  is a curve in Galilean space  $G_3$  given by

$$\beta(t) = (u(t), v(t), w(t)),$$

such that u(t), v(t), and  $w(t) \in C^3$ ,  $t \in I$ . In the case of  $u'(t) \neq 0$ , then  $\beta$  is known as an admissible curve.

Assuming that the curve  $\beta$  is admissible in  $G_3$ , and that the parameter s is the arc length, which is derived by

$$\beta(s) = (s, v(s), w(s)),$$

 $\kappa(s)$ , and  $\tau(s)$ , the first and second curvature functions, respectively, are given by

$$\kappa(s) = \|\beta''(s)\| = \sqrt{v''^2(s) + w''^2(s)},$$

and

$$\tau(s) = \frac{det\left(\beta'(s), \ \beta''(s), \ \beta'''(s)\right)}{\kappa^2(s)},$$

respectively. The Frenet frame associated with  $\beta(s)$  is written as

$$\mathbf{t}(s) = \beta'(s) = (1, v'(s), w'(s)),$$
  

$$\mathbf{n}(s) = \frac{\beta''(s)}{\kappa(s)} = \frac{1}{\kappa(s)} (0, v''(s), w''(s)),$$
  

$$\mathbf{b}(s) = \frac{1}{\kappa(s)} (0, -w''(s), v''(s)),$$

so that the velocity vector, principal normal vector, and binormal vector of the curve  $\beta$  are represented, respectively, by the symbols  $\mathbf{t}(s)$ ,  $\mathbf{n}(s)$ , and  $\mathbf{b}(s)$ .

Regarding  $\beta(s)$ , the Frenet equations are written as

$$\frac{d}{ds} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{t}(s) \\ \mathbf{n}(s) \\ \mathbf{b}(s) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \kappa & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau \\ 0 & -\tau & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{t}(s) \\ \mathbf{n}(s) \\ \mathbf{b}(s) \end{bmatrix}.$$

## **3.** A new method for Mannheim curves within Galilean space G<sub>3</sub>

**Definition 3.1.** An admissible curve  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \to G_3$  with non-vanishing curvatures is claimed to be a Mannheim curve if there exists a curve  $\tilde{\gamma} : \tilde{I} \subset \mathbb{R} \to G_3$  in such a way that the principle normal vector field of  $\gamma(s)$  coincides with the bi-normal vector field of  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  at  $s \in I$  and  $\tilde{s} \in \tilde{I}$ .  $\gamma(s)$  will be referred to as a Mannheim curve,  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  as a Mannheim partner, and the pair  $(\gamma, \tilde{\gamma})$  as a pair of Mannheim's.

Let  $\gamma : I \to G_3$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an admissible Mannheim curve in  $G_3$  with the Frenet frame  $\{\mathbf{t}(s), \mathbf{n}(s), \mathbf{b}(s)\}$  and non-vanishing curvatures  $\kappa(s)$  and  $\tau(s)$ . Furthermore, assuming the Frenet frame  $\{\widetilde{\mathbf{t}}, \widetilde{\mathbf{n}}, \widetilde{\mathbf{b}}\}$ , let  $\widetilde{\gamma} : \widetilde{I} \to G_3$ ,  $\widetilde{I} \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an admissible Mannheim partner curve for  $\gamma$  using non-vanishing curvatures  $\widetilde{\kappa}(s)$  and  $\widetilde{\tau}(s)$ .

Then,  $\tilde{\gamma}$  can be formulated as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \widetilde{\gamma}(g(s)) = \gamma(s) + \lambda_1(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \lambda_2(s) \mathbf{n}(s) + \lambda_3(s) \mathbf{b}(s),$$

where the functions  $\lambda_1(s)$ ,  $\lambda_2(s)$ , and  $\lambda_3(s)$  exhibit differentiability on *I*.

**Theorem 3.1.** Assume that  $\gamma : I \to G_3$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  is an admissible Mannheim curve within  $G_3$  whose curvatures  $\kappa(s)$ ,  $\tau(s)$  do not vanish. If there are differentiable functions  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$ , and  $\lambda_3$  that satisfy the given conditions:

$$\lambda_2' + \kappa \lambda_1 = \tau \lambda_3, \ \left(1 + \lambda_1'\right) \kappa = \left(\lambda_3' + \tau \lambda_2\right) \tau, \ \lambda_3' + \tau \lambda_2 \neq 0.$$
(3.1)

Hence, curve  $\gamma$  is a Mannheim curve with  $\tilde{\gamma}$  as its Mannheim partner; in addition, the converse is also true.

*Proof.* Consider that  $\gamma$  is an admissible Mannheim curve with non-zero curvatures  $\kappa$ ,  $\tau$ , using arc length *s* as the parameter, and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  represents the Mannheim partner of  $\gamma$ , where the parameter is the arc length  $\tilde{s}$ . Then, the curve  $\tilde{\gamma}$  can be represented as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \widetilde{\gamma}(g(s)) = \gamma(s) + \lambda_1(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \lambda_2(s) \mathbf{n}(s) + \lambda_3(s) \mathbf{b}(s),$$
(3.2)

for  $s \in I$ , such that  $\lambda_1(s)$ ,  $\lambda_2(s)$ , and  $\lambda_3(s)$  are differentiable functions on *I*. By using *s* to differentiate Eq (3.2), we arrive at

$$g'(s)\,\widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(1 + \lambda_1'(s)\right)\mathbf{t}(s) + \left(\kappa(s)\lambda_1(s) - \tau(s)\lambda_3(s) + \lambda_2'(s)\right)\mathbf{n}(s) + \left(\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda_3'(s)\right)\mathbf{b}(s).$$
(3.3)

Taking the scalar product of Eq (3.3) with  $\mathbf{n}(s)$ , we get

$$\kappa(s)\lambda_1(s) - \tau(s)\lambda_3(s) + \lambda_2'(s) = 0. \tag{3.4}$$

Substituting from (3.4) into (3.3), implies

$$g'(s) \ \widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(1 + \lambda_1'(s)\right) \mathbf{t}(s) + \left(\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda_3'(s)\right) \mathbf{b}(s).$$
(3.5)

Taking the scalar product of Eq (3.5) with itself yields

$$(g'(s))^{2} = (1 + \lambda'_{1}(s))^{2} + (\tau(s)\lambda_{2}(s) + \lambda'_{3}(s))^{2}.$$
(3.6)

If we take

$$\alpha(s) = \frac{1 + \lambda_1'(s)}{g'(s)}, \text{ and } \theta(s) = \frac{\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda_3'(s)}{g'(s)},$$

we have

$$\widetilde{t(s)} = \alpha(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \theta(s) \mathbf{b}(s).$$
(3.7)

When we differentiate Eq (3.7) in relation to *s*, we obtain

$$\widetilde{\kappa}(\widetilde{s}) \ \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) \ g'(s) = \alpha'(s) \ \mathbf{t}(s) + \left(\kappa(s) \ \alpha(s) - \tau(s) \ \theta(s)\right) \mathbf{n}(s) + \theta'(s) \ \mathbf{b}(s).$$
(3.8)

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Using the scalar product of Eq (3.8) and  $\mathbf{n}(s)$ , we get  $\kappa(s) \alpha(s) - \tau(s) \theta(s) = 0$ , and therefore

$$(1 + \lambda_1'(s))\kappa(s) = (\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda_3'(s))\tau(s),$$
(3.9)

such that  $\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda'_3(s) \neq 0$ .

In contrast, consider  $\gamma$  to be a curve with the non-vanishing curvatures  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$  and conditions (3.1) hold for differentiable functions  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$ , and  $\lambda_3$ .

Then, we can create an additional curve,  $\tilde{\gamma}$ , as follows

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \widetilde{\gamma}(g(s)) = \gamma(s) + \lambda_1(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \lambda_2(s) \mathbf{n}(s) + \lambda_3(s) \mathbf{b}(s).$$
(3.10)

Differentiating Eq (3.10) with respect to s yields

$$g'(s) \ \widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(1 + \lambda_1'(s)\right) \mathbf{t}(s) + \left(\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda_3'(s)\right) \mathbf{b}(s),$$
(3.11)

which gives that

$$g'(s) = \left(\langle \tilde{t}(s), \tilde{t}(s) \rangle_{G_3}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{q_1}{\kappa} \left(\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda'_3(s)\right) \sqrt{\kappa^2 + \tau^2},$$
(3.12)

where  $q_1 = sgn(\tau(s)\lambda_2(s) + \lambda'_3(s))$ .

Substituting into Eq (3.11), we have

$$\widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) = \frac{q_1}{\sqrt{\kappa^2 + \tau^2}} \Big( \tau(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \kappa(s) \mathbf{b}(s) \Big),$$
(3.13)

and hence  $\langle \widetilde{t(s)}, \widetilde{t(s)} \rangle_{G_3} = 1$ .

Taking

$$\alpha_1(s) = \frac{q_1 \tau(s)}{\sqrt{\kappa^2 + \tau^2}}, \text{ and } \alpha_2(s) = \frac{q_1 \kappa(s)}{\sqrt{\kappa^2 + \tau^2}},$$

then

$$\overline{t(s)} = \alpha_1(s) \mathbf{t}(s) + \alpha_2(s) \mathbf{b}(s).$$
(3.14)

Equation (3.14) can be differentiated with respect to s to yield

$$\frac{d\widetilde{t}}{d\widetilde{s}} = \frac{1}{g'(s)} \Big( \alpha'_1 \mathbf{t}(s) + \alpha'_2 \mathbf{b}(s) \Big),$$

and then

$$\widetilde{\kappa} = \sqrt{\langle \frac{d\widetilde{t}}{d\widetilde{s}}, \frac{d\widetilde{t}}{d\widetilde{s}} \rangle} = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha_1'^2(s) + \alpha_2'^2(s)}}{g'(s)} = \frac{q_2(\kappa\tau' - \tau\kappa')}{g'(s)(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)} = \frac{q_2\kappa^2(\frac{\tau}{\kappa})'}{g'(s)(\kappa^2 + \tau^2)}, \quad (3.15)$$

such that  $q_2 = sgn(\kappa \tau' - \tau \kappa')$ . Then, we may determine  $\tilde{n}(\tilde{s})$  as follows:

$$\widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) = \frac{q_1}{q_2 \sqrt{\kappa^2 + \tau^2}} \Big( \kappa \, \mathbf{t}(s) - \tau \, \mathbf{b}(s) \Big), \tag{3.16}$$

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and  $\langle \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}), \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) \rangle_{G_3} = 1$ . Also,  $\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s})$  can be defined as

$$\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}) = \widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) \times \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) = \frac{1}{q_2} \mathbf{n}(s),$$
(3.17)

and  $\langle \widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}), \widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}) \rangle_{G_3} = 1$ . Finally, we get

$$\widetilde{\tau}(\widetilde{s}) = -\langle \widetilde{b}'(\widetilde{s}), \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) \rangle = \frac{q_1 \tau^2}{\sqrt{\kappa^2 + \tau^2}} \neq 0.$$
(3.18)

Therefore,  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is a Mannheim partner curve of  $\gamma$ . Then  $\gamma$  is a Mannheim curve.

In Theorem (3.1), if we set  $\lambda_1(s) = \lambda_3(s) = 0$ , using the Mannheim mate curve  $\tilde{\gamma}$ , which is expressed as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(s) = \gamma(s) + \lambda_2(s) \mathbf{n}(s),$$

we may derive the criteria of classical Mannheim curves seen in the literature.

**Corollary 3.2.** Assume that the admissible curve  $\gamma : I \to G_3$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  has non-vanishing curvatures  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$ . After that, the curve  $\gamma$  is a Mannheim curve, and its Mannheim partner  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is defined as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(s) = \gamma(s) + \lambda_2(s) \mathbf{n}(s),$$

if  $\lambda_2(s)$  exists and it fulfills  $\kappa = \lambda_2 \tau^2$ , and the opposite is again valid.

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $\gamma(s)$  constitute an admissible Mannheim curve through  $G_3$  using s as the parameter for arc length, and let  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  be an admissible Mannheim partner curve of  $\gamma$ . Assume  $\gamma(s)$  is a generalized helix, then  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  represents a straight line.

*Proof.* Assume  $\gamma : I \to G_3$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  is an admissible Mannheim general helix that has non-vanishing curvatures  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$ . Following that, the ratio  $\frac{\tau}{\kappa}$  is constant, which gives from Eq (3.15) that  $\tilde{\kappa} = 0$ . Then,  $\tilde{\gamma}(s)$  defines a line.

**Corollary 3.4.** Take  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \to G_3$  to be an admissible Mannheim curve with non-vanishing curvatures  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$ , and let curve  $\tilde{\gamma}$  be the Mannheim partner curve of  $\gamma$  having  $\tilde{\kappa}$  and  $\tilde{\tau}$  non-zero curvatures. Thus, given that g'(s) has a non-zero value,  $\tilde{\gamma}$  indicates a general helix if the slant helix is represented by  $\gamma$ . In addition, the opposite also holds.

*Proof.* Consider  $\gamma : I \subset \mathbb{R} \to G_3$  as an admissible Mannheim curve with  $\kappa$ ; and  $\tau$  non-vanishing curvatures and let  $\tilde{\gamma}$  be the Mannheim partner curve of  $\gamma$  having non-zero curvatures  $\tilde{\kappa}$  and  $\tilde{\tau}$ . And, following that, from Eqs (3.15) and, (3.18), we obtain

$$\frac{\widetilde{\kappa}}{\widetilde{\tau}} = \frac{q_2 \,\kappa^2 \left(\frac{\tau}{\kappa}\right)'}{q_1 g'(s) \tau^3 \sqrt{\left(\frac{\tau}{\kappa}\right)^2 + 1}}.$$

If g'(s) is a non-zero constant, then  $\tilde{\gamma}$  can only be considered a general helix in the event that  $\gamma$  is a slant helix.

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In the next part, we introduce special cases for the Mannheim curve in  $G_3$  and its Mannheim partner curve.

**Case 3.5.** Assuming that  $\gamma : I \to G_3$ ,  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  is an admissible Mannheim curve with non-zero curvatures  $\kappa(s)$  and  $\tau(s)$ , then the requirements of Theorem (3.1) have been met. Suppose that  $\lambda_2 = \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . Next, we are able to acquire

$$\kappa(s)\lambda_1(s) = \tau(s)\lambda_3(s) \quad and \quad \left(1 + \lambda'_1(s)\right)\kappa(s) = \left(\lambda'_3(s) + \lambda\tau(s)\right)\tau(s),$$

which gives that

$$\lambda_3(s) = \frac{\lambda \tau^2(s) - \kappa(s)}{\kappa(s) \left(\frac{\tau}{\kappa}\right)'} \quad and \quad \lambda_1(s) = \frac{\tau(s) \left[\lambda \tau^2(s) - \kappa(s)\right]}{\kappa^2(s) \left(\frac{\tau}{\kappa}\right)'}.$$

Therefore, we get the Mannheim partner curve  $\tilde{\gamma}$  as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \gamma(s) + \frac{\tau(s) \left[ \lambda \tau^2(s) - \kappa(s) \right]}{\kappa^2(s) \left( \frac{\tau}{\kappa} \right)'} \mathbf{t}(s) + \lambda \mathbf{n}(s) + \frac{\lambda \tau^2(s) - \kappa(s)}{\kappa(s) \left( \frac{\tau}{\kappa} \right)'} \mathbf{b}(s).$$

The following illustration displays the Mannheim curve as an example of the Salkowski curve.

**Example 3.6.** Consider the Salkowski curve in  $G_3$  given by

$$\gamma(s) = \left(s, \ \frac{1}{4}\left(3 - 4s\right)\cos(2\sqrt{s}) + 6\sqrt{s}\,\sin(2\sqrt{s})\right), \ \frac{1}{4}\left((3 - 4s)\sin(2\sqrt{s}) - 6\sqrt{s}\,\cos(2\sqrt{s})\right)\right)$$

along with curvatures  $\kappa(s) = 1$  and  $\tau(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}}$  and the Frenet frame

$$\mathbf{t}(s) = \left(1, \sqrt{s}\sin(2\sqrt{s}) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\cos(2\sqrt{s})\right), -\sqrt{s}\cos(2\sqrt{s}) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\sin(2\sqrt{s})\right)\right),$$
  
$$\mathbf{n}(s) = \left(0, \cos(2\sqrt{s}), \sin(2\sqrt{s})\right),$$
  
$$\mathbf{b}(s) = \left(0, -\sin(2\sqrt{s}), \cos(2\sqrt{s})\right).$$

If we set  $\lambda = 0$  in case (3.5), the Mannheim partner curve  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  may be derived as

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(3s, \ \frac{3}{4}\left(\cos(2\sqrt{s}) + 2\sqrt{s}\sin(2\sqrt{s})\right), \ \frac{3}{4}\left(\sin(2\sqrt{s}) - 2\sqrt{s}\cos(2\sqrt{s})\right)\right), \tag{3.19}$$

along with curvatures

$$\widetilde{\kappa} = \frac{\sqrt{s(s+1)}}{6 \ s \ (s+1)^2}, \text{ and } \widetilde{\tau} = \frac{\sqrt{s(s+1)}}{s \ (s+1)},$$

and it is possible to acquire the Frenet frame as follows

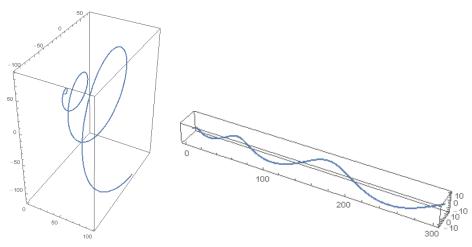
$$\widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{s+1}}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{s+1}}\cos(2\sqrt{s}), \frac{1}{2\sqrt{s+1}}\sin(2\sqrt{s})\right),$$
  
$$\widetilde{\mu}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(\frac{-\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s}} - \sqrt{s+1}\sin(2\sqrt{s}) - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s}}\cos(2\sqrt{s}) - \sqrt{s+1}\cos(2\sqrt{s}) - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s}}\sin(2\sqrt{s})\right)$$

$$\widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(\frac{-\sqrt{s}}{\sqrt{s+1}}, -\sqrt{s+1}\sin(2\sqrt{s}) - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2\sqrt{s+1}}\cos(2\sqrt{s}), \sqrt{s+1}\cos(2\sqrt{s}) - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2\sqrt{s+1}}\sin(2\sqrt{s})\right),$$

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$$\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}) = (0, -\cos(2\sqrt{s}), -\sin(2\sqrt{s})).$$

We can easily obtain  $n(s) = -\tilde{b}(\tilde{s})$ , implying that the Mannheim curve  $\gamma(s)$  possesses a Mannheim partner curve  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$ . And,  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  is not a general helix (Figure 1).



**Figure 1.** Curves  $\gamma(s)$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  diagram of Example 3.6.

In the next part, we present a Mannheim Curve as an illustration of the anti-Salkowski curve inside  $G_3$ .

**Example 3.7.** Define  $\gamma(s)$  to be an anti-Salkowski curve in  $G_3$ , which is given by

$$\gamma(s) = \left(s, \frac{16}{289} \left[8 \sin(s) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) - 15 \cos(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right], -\frac{16}{289} \left[8 \cos(s) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + 15 \sin(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right]\right)$$
  
with curvatures  $\kappa(s) = \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)$  and  $\tau(s) = 1$ , and the Frenet frame in the manner described below:

$$\mathbf{t}(s) = \left(1, \frac{16}{17} \left[\sin(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(s) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right], -\frac{16}{17} \left[\cos(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \sin(s) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right]\right), \\ \mathbf{n}(s) = \left(0, \cos(s), \sin(s)\right), \\ \mathbf{b}(s) = \left(0, -\sin(s), \cos(s)\right).$$

Taking  $\lambda = 0$  in case (3.5), the Mannheim partner curve  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  is then obtained in the following manner:

$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(s + 4 \coth\left(\frac{s}{4}\right), \frac{128}{289} \sin(s) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + \frac{32}{289} \cos(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) - \frac{4}{17} \sin(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) \coth\left(\frac{s}{4}\right), \\ -\frac{128}{289} \cos(s) \sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + \frac{32}{289} \sin(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + \frac{4}{17} \cos(s) \cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) \coth\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right),$$
with curvatures  $\widetilde{\kappa} = \frac{-\text{sgn}\left(\frac{1}{4}\sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right) \tanh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)}{4\left(1-\csc^{2}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)\left(1+\cosh^{2}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$  and  $\widetilde{\tau} = \frac{\frac{\text{sgn}\left(1-\csc^{2}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)}{\sqrt{1+\cosh^{2}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)}}$ , and the Frenet frame obtained

as

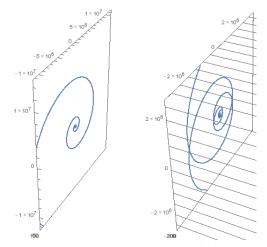
$$\widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) = \frac{sgn\left(1 - cosech^2\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)}{\sqrt{1 + cosh^2\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)}} \left(1, \frac{1}{17} \left[-sin(s)cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + 4cos(s)sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right], \frac{1}{17} \left[cos(s)cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + 4sin(s)sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right]\right),$$

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$$\widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) = \frac{sgn\left(1 - cosech^{2}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)}{sgn\left(\frac{1}{4}sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)\sqrt{1 + cosh^{2}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)}} \left(cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right), cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right) \left[\frac{16}{17}sin(s)cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + \frac{4}{17}cos(s)sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right] + sin(s), cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\left[-\frac{16}{17}cos(s)cosh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right) + \frac{4}{17}sin(s)sinh\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right] - cos(s)\right)$$

$$\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}) = \frac{1}{\operatorname{sgn}\left(\frac{1}{4}\operatorname{sinh}\left(\frac{s}{4}\right)\right)} \left(0, \cos(s), \sin(s)\right).$$

It is simple to obtain  $n(s) = sgn(\frac{1}{4}sinh(\frac{s}{4}))\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s})$ , indicating that  $\gamma(s)$  is a Mannheim curve and that  $\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s})$  is its Mannheim partner curve. Again,  $\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s})$  is not a general helix (Figure 2).



**Figure 2.** Diagram of curves  $\gamma(s)$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  in Example 3.7.

**Example 3.8.** Consider the curve in  $G_3$  defined by  $\gamma(s) = \left(s, -\sqrt{\pi} \ s \ FresnelS\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right) - 2\cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right), \ \sqrt{\pi} \ s \ FresnelC\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right) - 2\sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right)\right)$ , with the curvatures  $\kappa(s) = s^2$  and  $\tau(s) = s$ , where  $FresnelS(x) = \int \sin\left(\frac{\pi x^2}{2}\right) dx$  and  $FresnelC(x) = \int \cos\left(\frac{\pi x^2}{2}\right) dx$ , and the Frenet frame is obtained as

$$\mathbf{t}(s) = \left(1, \ s \ sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) - \int sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds, \ -s \ cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) + \int cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds\right),$$
  
$$\mathbf{n}(s) = \left(0, \ cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right), \ sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right)\right),$$
  
$$\mathbf{b}(s) = \left(0, \ -sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right), \ cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right)\right).$$

Taking  $\lambda = 0$  in case (3.5), we acquire the Mannheim partner curve  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  according to

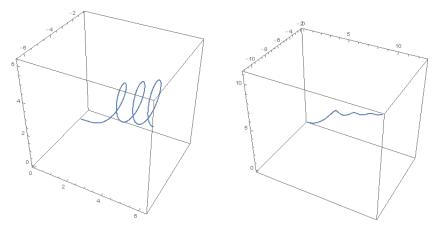
$$\widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) = \left(2s, -2s \int \sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds - 2\cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right), \ 2s \int \cos\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds - 2\sin\left(\frac{s^2}{2}\right)\right),$$

with curvatures  $\tilde{\kappa} = \frac{1}{2(s^2+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$  and  $\tilde{\tau} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}$ . The Frenet frame is calculated as

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$$\begin{split} \widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}\int \sin(\frac{s^2}{2})ds, \frac{1}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}\int \cos(\frac{s^2}{2})ds\right), \\ \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) &= \left(-\frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}, -\sqrt{s^2+1}\sin(\frac{s^2}{2}) + \frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}\int \sin(\frac{s^2}{2})ds, \sqrt{s^2+1}\cos(\frac{s^2}{2}) - \frac{s}{\sqrt{s^2+1}}\int \cos(\frac{s^2}{2})ds\right), \\ \widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}) &= \left(0, -\cos(\frac{s^2}{2}), -\sin(\frac{s^2}{2})\right). \end{split}$$

Then, we can deduce that  $n(s) = -\tilde{b}(\tilde{s})$ , which means that  $\gamma(s)$  is a Mannheim curve, along with  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  serving as its Mannheim partner curve. Also,  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  is not a general helix (Figure 3).



**Figure 3.** Curves  $\gamma(s)$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}(\tilde{s})$  of Example 3.8.

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $\tilde{\gamma} : \tilde{I} \to G_3$ ,  $\tilde{I} \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an admissible curve utilizing the  $\{\tilde{t}, \tilde{n}, \tilde{b}\}$  Frenet frame as well as the non-zero curvatures  $\tilde{\kappa}$  and  $\tilde{\tau}$ . For each given Mannheim curve, if its Mannheim partner curve is represented by  $\tilde{\gamma}$ , then there exist differentiable functions  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3$ , and  $\delta$  satisfying the following two cases:

(1) If  $\dot{B} \neq 0$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{\tau}\mu_2(s) + \dot{\mu}_3(\widetilde{s}) = 0, \ \frac{1 + \dot{\mu}_1(\widetilde{s})}{\dot{f}} \neq 0, \ \dot{\delta} = -\widetilde{\kappa}, \ \dot{\mu}_2(\widetilde{s}) + \widetilde{\kappa}\mu_1(\widetilde{s}) - \widetilde{\tau}\mu_3(\widetilde{s}) = \delta\left(1 + \dot{\mu}_1(\widetilde{s})\right).$$
(3.20)

(2) If  $\dot{B} = 0$ , then we have

$$\widetilde{\tau}\mu_2(\widetilde{s}) + \dot{\mu}_3(\widetilde{s}) = 0, \ \dot{\mu}_2(\widetilde{s}) - \widetilde{\tau}\mu_3(\widetilde{s}) + \widetilde{\kappa} \Big( - \widetilde{s} + c_o \Big) = d\dot{f}, \tag{3.21}$$

where  $c_o$  and d are non-zero constants and  $B = \frac{\mu_2(\tilde{s}) + \tilde{\kappa}\mu_1(\tilde{s}) - \tilde{\tau}\mu_3(\tilde{s})}{f}$ . In this case, "·" signifies the derivative in relation to  $\tilde{s}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\gamma$  is an admissible Mannheim curve with non-zero  $\kappa$  and  $\tau$  curvatures, specified by the arc length *s*, and the Mannheim partner curve of curve  $\gamma$  is represented by curve  $\tilde{\gamma}$ , where  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is parameterized by the arc length  $\tilde{s}$ . Thus, we may define the curve  $\gamma$  as

$$\gamma(s) = \gamma(f(\widetilde{s})) = \widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) + \mu_1(\widetilde{s}) \ \widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) + \mu_2(\widetilde{s}) \ \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}) + \mu_3(\widetilde{s}) \ \widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}), \tag{3.22}$$

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with every  $\tilde{s} \in \tilde{I}$ , such that  $\mu_1(\tilde{s}), \mu_2(\tilde{s})$ , and  $\mu_3(\tilde{s})$  are differentiable functions on  $\tilde{I}$ .

When we differentiate Eq (3.22) considering  $\tilde{s}$ , we arrive at

$$\mathbf{t}(s)\dot{f} = \left(1 + \dot{\mu}_1(\tilde{s})\right)\tilde{t}(\tilde{s}) + \left(\dot{\mu}_2(\tilde{s}) + \tilde{\kappa}\mu_1(\tilde{s}) - \tilde{\tau}\mu_3(\tilde{s})\right)\tilde{n}(\tilde{s}) + \left(\tilde{\tau}\mu_2(\tilde{s}) + \dot{\mu}_3(\tilde{s})\right)\tilde{b}(\tilde{s}).$$
(3.23)

By taking the dot product of (3.23) with  $\tilde{b}(\tilde{s})$ , we get

$$\widetilde{\tau}\mu_2(\widetilde{s}) + \dot{\mu}_3(\widetilde{s}) = 0. \tag{3.24}$$

Inserting (3.24) in (3.23), we have

$$\mathbf{t}(s)\dot{f} = (1 + \dot{\mu}_1(\tilde{s}))\tilde{t}(\tilde{s}) + (\dot{\mu}_2(\tilde{s}) + \tilde{\kappa}\mu_1(\tilde{s}) - \tilde{\tau}\mu_3(\tilde{s}))\tilde{n}(\tilde{s}).$$
(3.25)

By taking the scalar product of (3.25) with itself, we deduce

$$(\dot{f})^{2} = \left(1 + \dot{\mu_{1}}(\tilde{s})\right)^{2} + \left(\dot{\mu_{2}}(\tilde{s}) + \tilde{\kappa}\mu_{1}(\tilde{s}) - \tilde{\tau}\mu_{3}(\tilde{s})\right)^{2}.$$
(3.26)

If we set

$$A = \frac{1 + \dot{\mu_1}(\tilde{s})}{\dot{f}}, \text{ and } B = \frac{\dot{\mu_2}(\tilde{s}) + \tilde{\kappa}\mu_1(\tilde{s}) - \tilde{\tau}\mu_3(\tilde{s})}{\dot{f}}, \qquad (3.27)$$

we obtain

$$\mathbf{t}(s) = A \ \widetilde{t}(\widetilde{s}) + B \ \widetilde{n}(\widetilde{s}). \tag{3.28}$$

Differentiating (3.28) with respect to  $\tilde{s}$ , we obtain

$$\dot{f} \kappa n(s) = \dot{A} \, \widetilde{t(s)} + \left(A\widetilde{\kappa} + \dot{B}\right) \widetilde{n(s)} + \widetilde{\tau}B \, \widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}).$$
(3.29)

Since the principle normal vector  $\mathbf{n}(s)$  of the curve  $\gamma(s)$  and the bi-normal vector  $\tilde{b}(\tilde{s})$  of its Mannheim Partner curve is linearly dependent, we reach

$$\widetilde{\kappa} = \frac{-\dot{B}}{A}.$$

We have two cases:

• If  $\dot{B} \neq 0$ , then  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ , which implies

$$\frac{1+\dot{\mu_1}(\tilde{s})}{\dot{f}} \neq 0, \quad and \quad \dot{\mu_2}(\tilde{s}) + \tilde{\kappa}\mu_1(\tilde{s}) - \tilde{\tau}\mu_3(\tilde{s}) = \delta(1+\dot{\mu_1}(\tilde{s})),$$

where  $\delta = \frac{B}{A}$ .

Again, from (3.29), utilizing  $\tilde{b}(\tilde{s})$  to obtain the scalar product, we acquire  $\dot{A} = 0$  and  $A\tilde{\kappa} + \dot{B} = 0$ , which gives

$$\dot{\delta} = -\widetilde{\kappa}.$$

• If  $\dot{B} = 0$ , then A = 0, which implies  $\dot{\mu}_1 = -1$  and  $\mu_1 = -\tilde{s} + c_o$ , where  $c_o$  is constant. Also, we can deduce that *B* is non-zero constant (*d*, say). Now, from Eq (3.27), we have

$$\dot{\mu_2}(\widetilde{s}) - \widetilde{\tau}\mu_3(\widetilde{s}) + \widetilde{\kappa} \Big( - \widetilde{s} + c_o \Big) = d\widetilde{f}$$

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If we set  $\mu_1(\overline{s}) = \mu_2(\overline{s}) = 0$  within Theorem (3.9), we arrive at the requirements of traditional Mannheim partner curves found in the literature by using

$$\gamma(s) = \gamma(f(\widetilde{s})) = \widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) + \mu_3(\widetilde{s})\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}).$$

Also, we get

$$\mu_3(\widetilde{s}) = 0, \ \delta = -\widetilde{\kappa}, \ -\widetilde{\tau}\mu_3(\widetilde{s}) = \delta$$

So, we have

$$\widetilde{\tau} = \frac{-1}{\mathbf{a}} \int \widetilde{\kappa} d\widetilde{s}$$

for some non-zero real number a. Therefore, this leads us to the next corollary.

**Corollary 3.10.** Suppose that  $\tilde{\gamma} : \tilde{I} \to G_3$ ,  $\tilde{I} \subset \mathbb{R}$  is an admissible curve with non-zero curvatures  $\tilde{\kappa}$  and  $\tilde{\tau}$ , and with the Frenet frame  $\{\tilde{t}, \tilde{n}, \tilde{b}\}$ . If  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is a Mannheim partner curve of a certain Mannheim curve given by

$$\gamma(s) = \gamma(f(\widetilde{s})) = \widetilde{\gamma}(\widetilde{s}) + \mu_3(s)\widetilde{b}(\widetilde{s}),$$

then a non-zero real number **a** exists such that

$$\widetilde{\tau} = \frac{-1}{a} \int \widetilde{\kappa} d\widetilde{s}.$$

#### 4. Conclusions

In this study, a novel method for Mannheim curves in three-dimensional Galilean space was presented. The necessary and sufficient conditions for a curve to be a Mannheim curve were obtained. Finally, some examples were introduced.

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