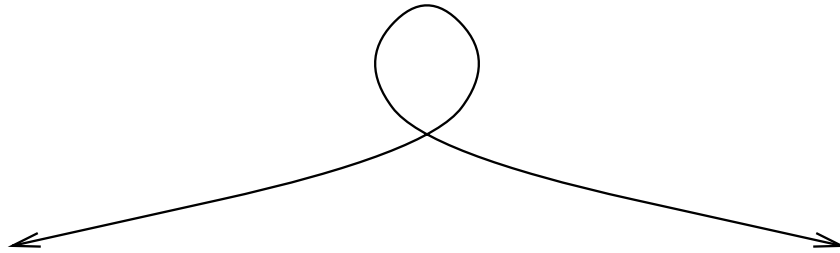
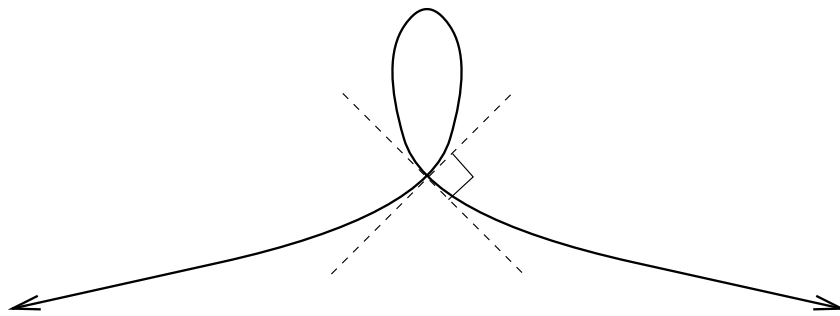


**Problem statement** If  $A$  is a positive number, the parametric curve  $\begin{cases} x = t^3 - t \\ y = \frac{A}{1+t^2} \end{cases}$  looks like:



For one value of  $A$ , the “self-intersection” of the curve is perpendicular. The picture looks like:



Find that value of  $A$ .