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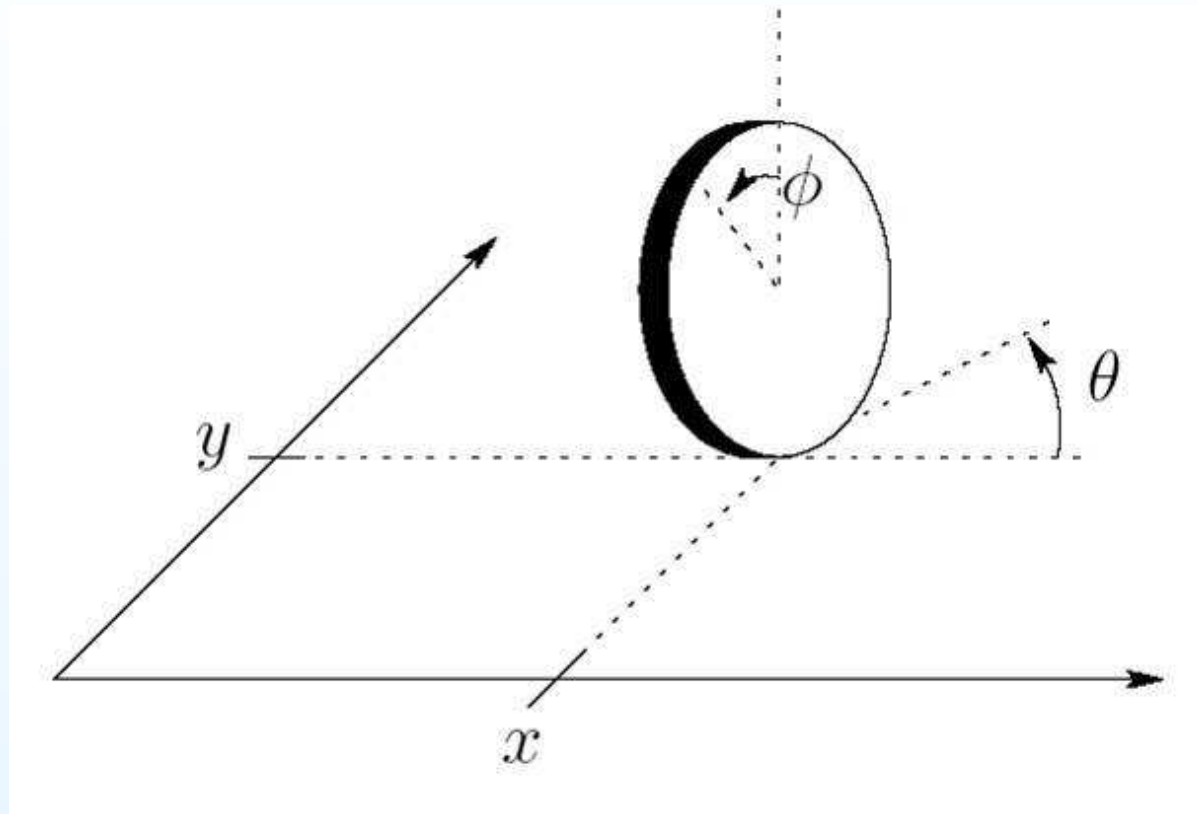
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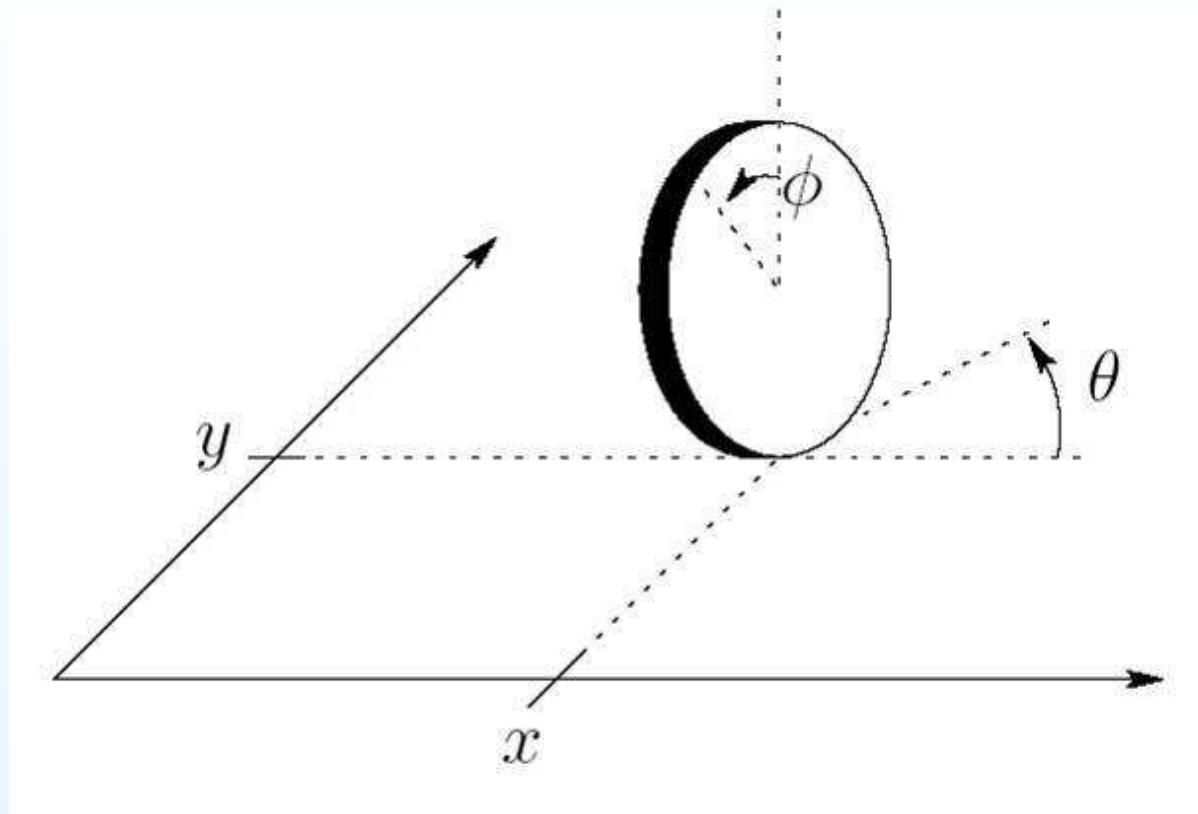


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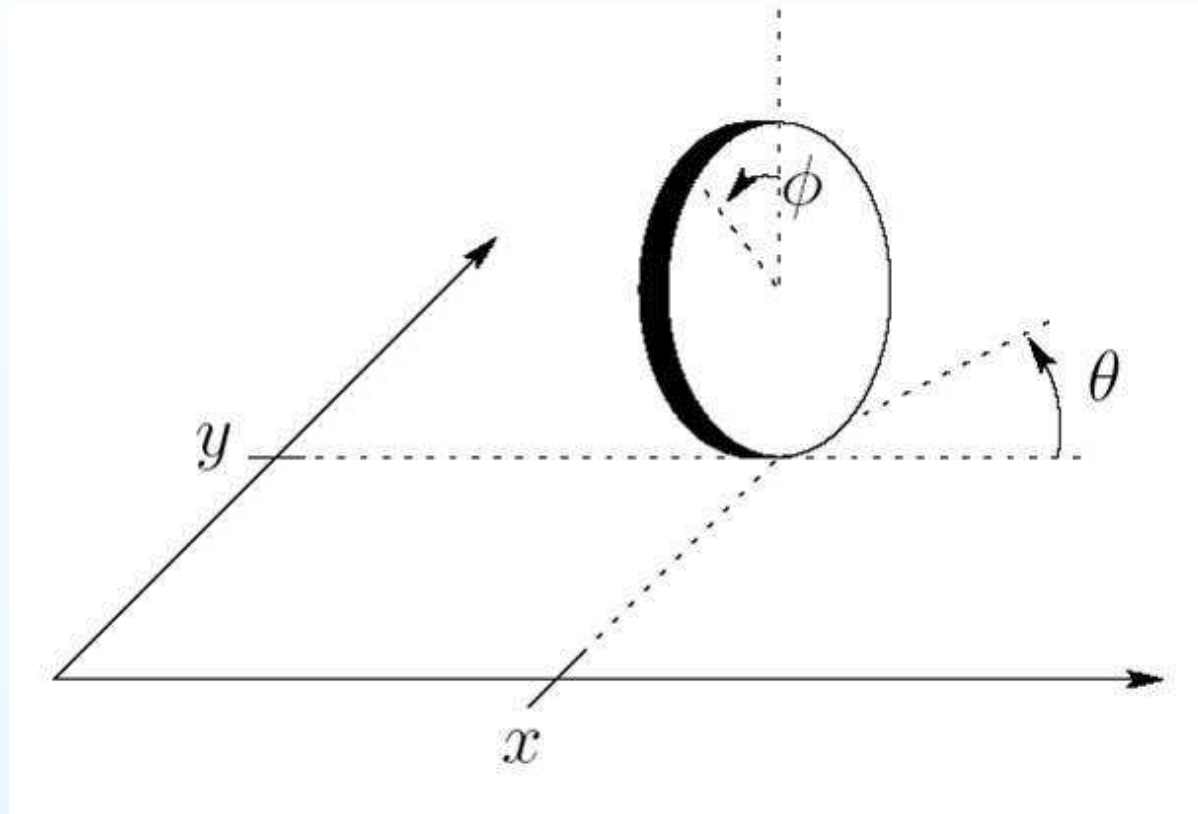


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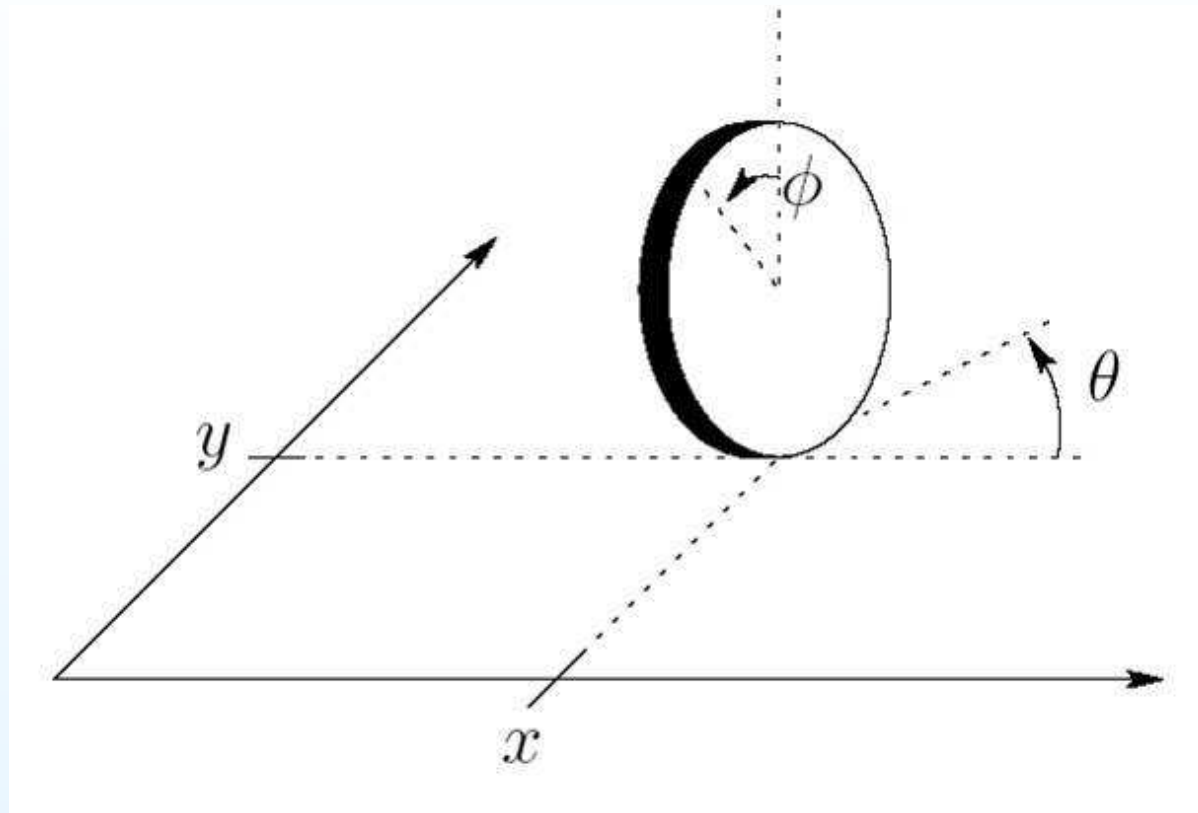
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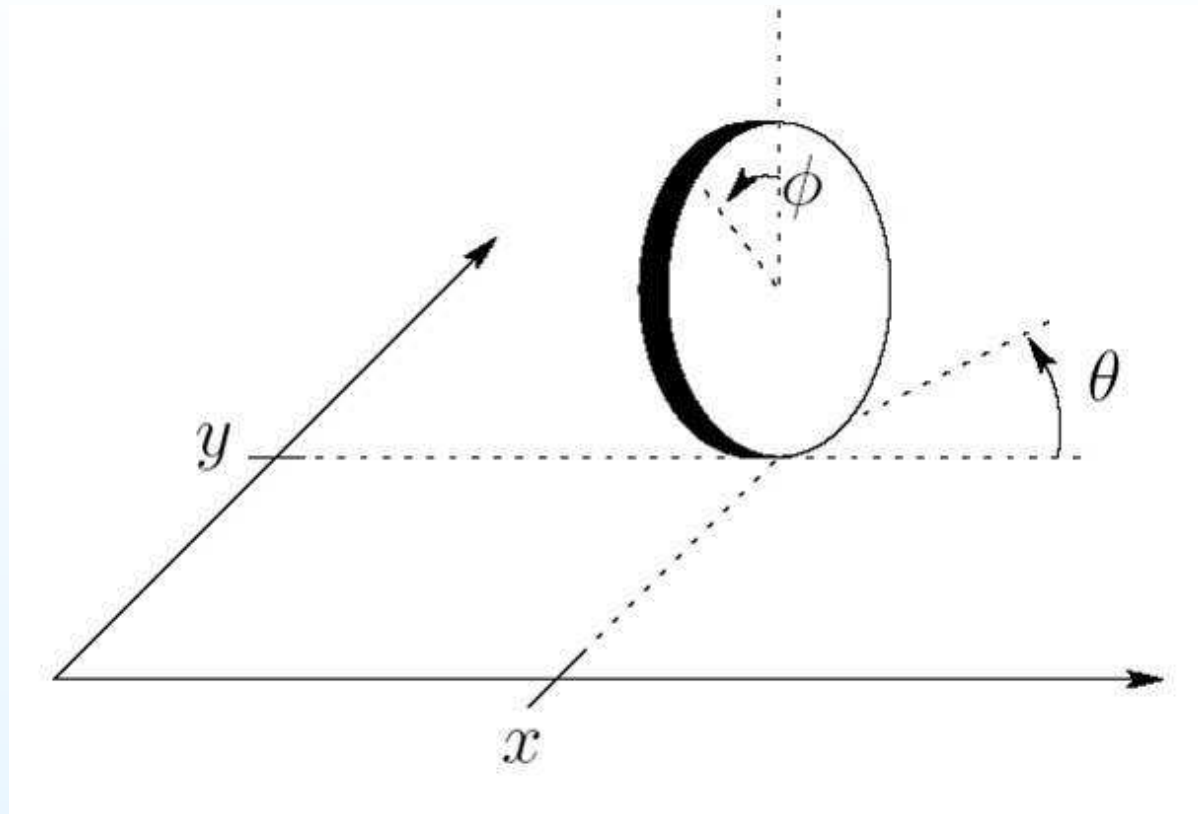


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Here $q \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$, and $R(\cdot)$ is a vector of reaction forces.

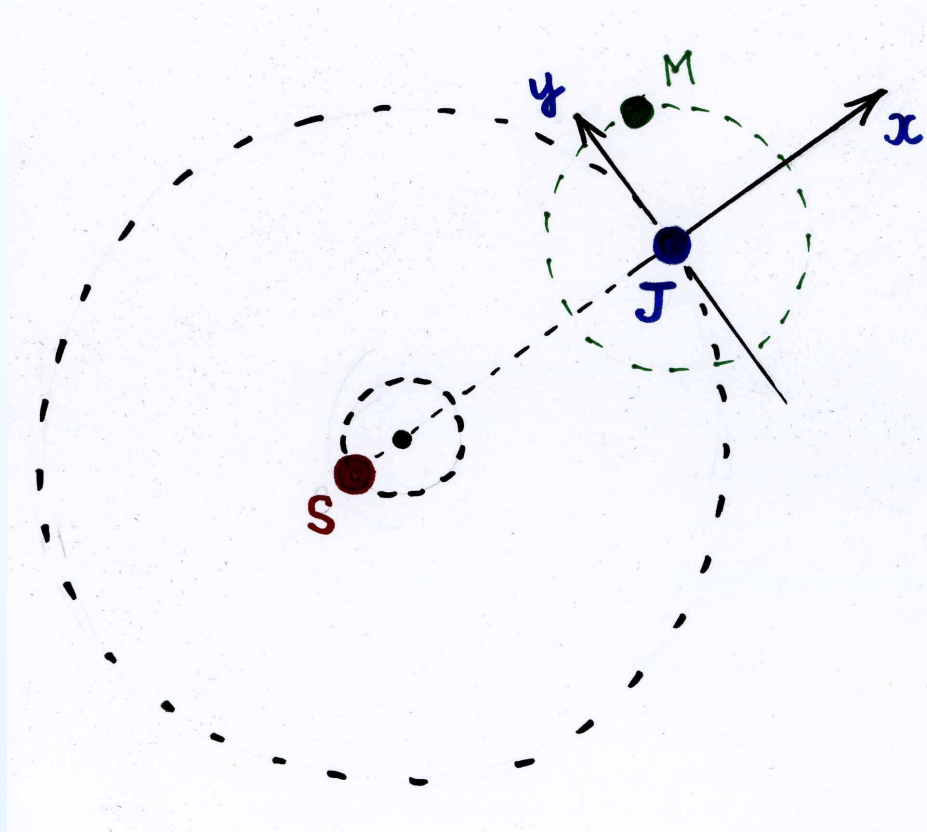
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Problems:

- Given a motion, design controller for its orbital stabilization
- Given a motion and controller, analyze the dynamics
- Given specifications, plan a feasible motion

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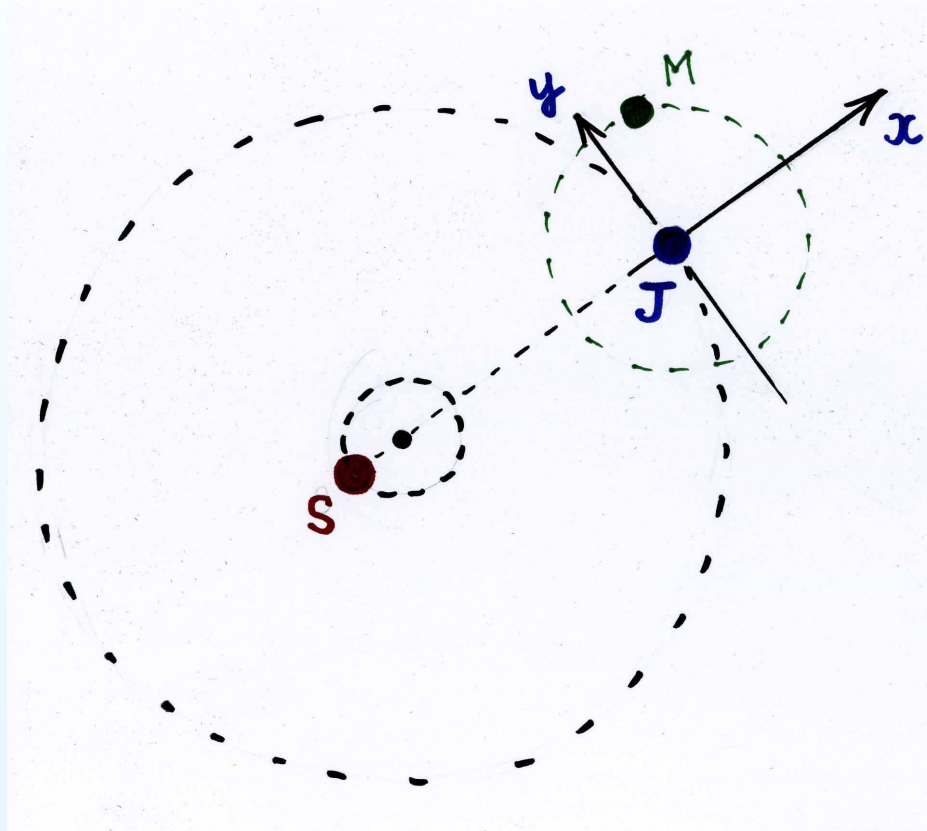
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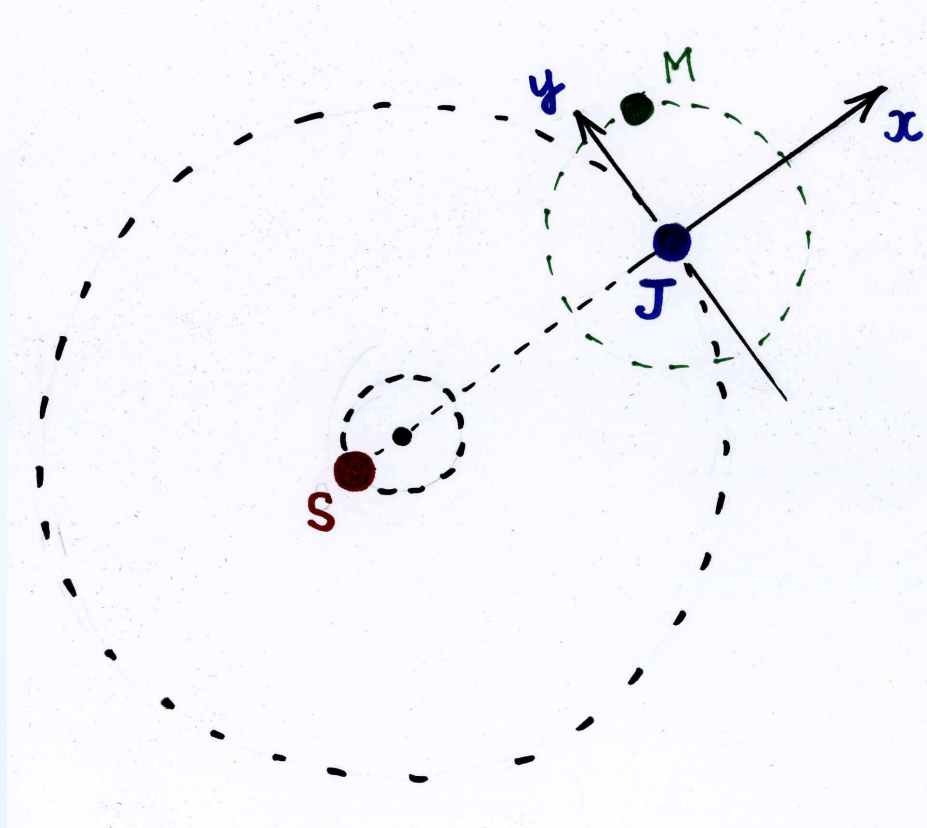
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Task: Analyze the dynamics in a vicinity of periodic circle motion

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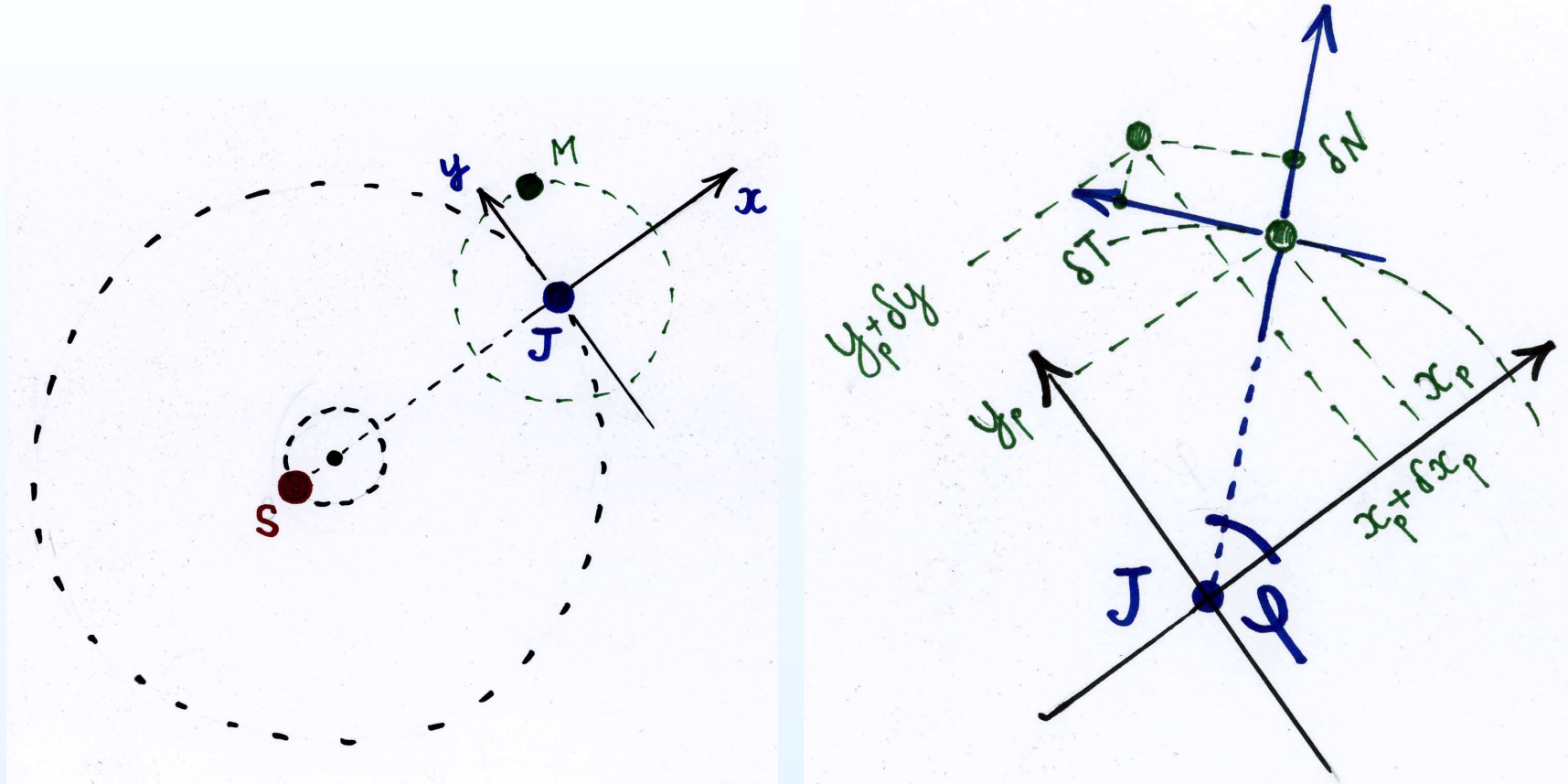
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Transform of coordinates into normal (δN) and tangent (δT)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \delta x \\ \delta y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ \sin \phi & \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \delta T \\ \delta N \end{bmatrix}$$

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The linearization of $[N, \dot{N}]$ is the famous Hill's equation

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} [\delta N] + \Phi(t) \delta N = 0$$

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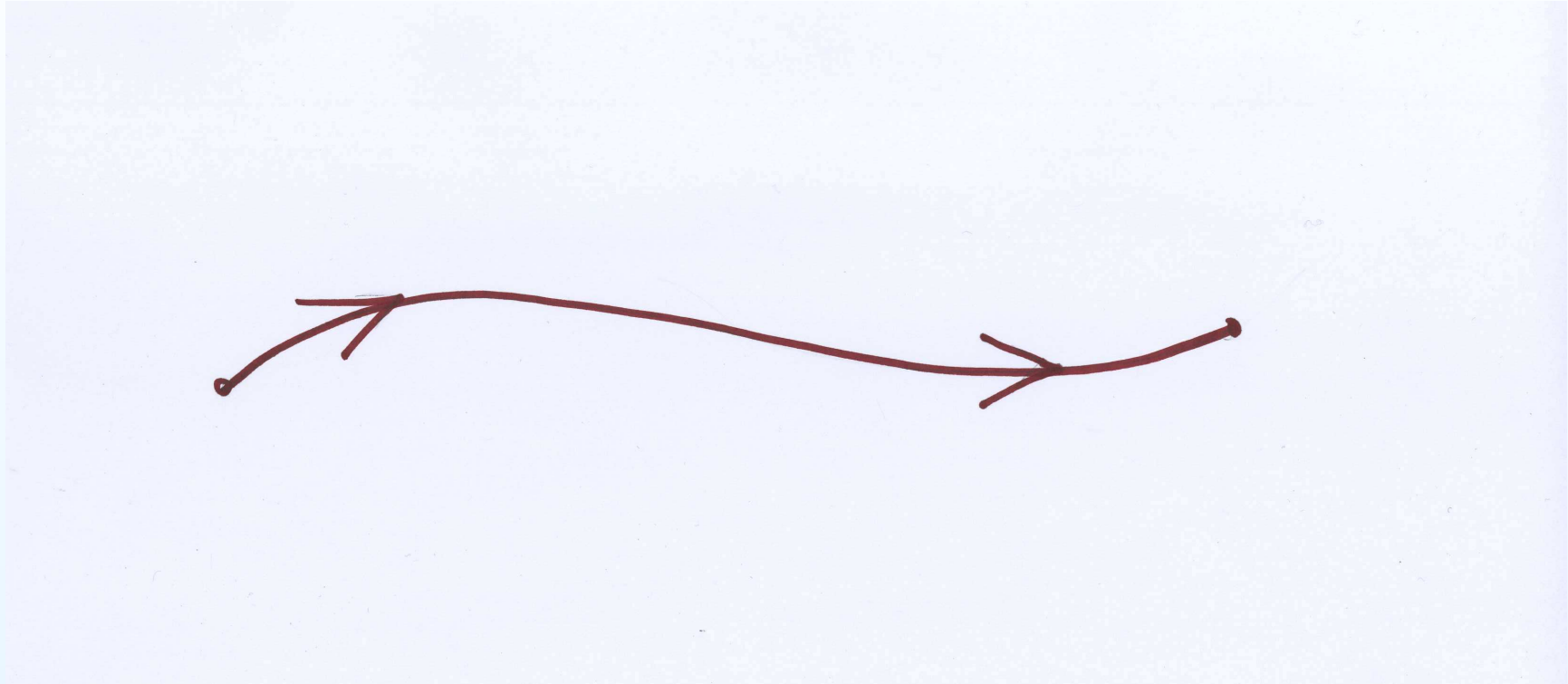
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- Presence of invariants allows to reduce a number of transverse coordinates with non-trivial dynamics.

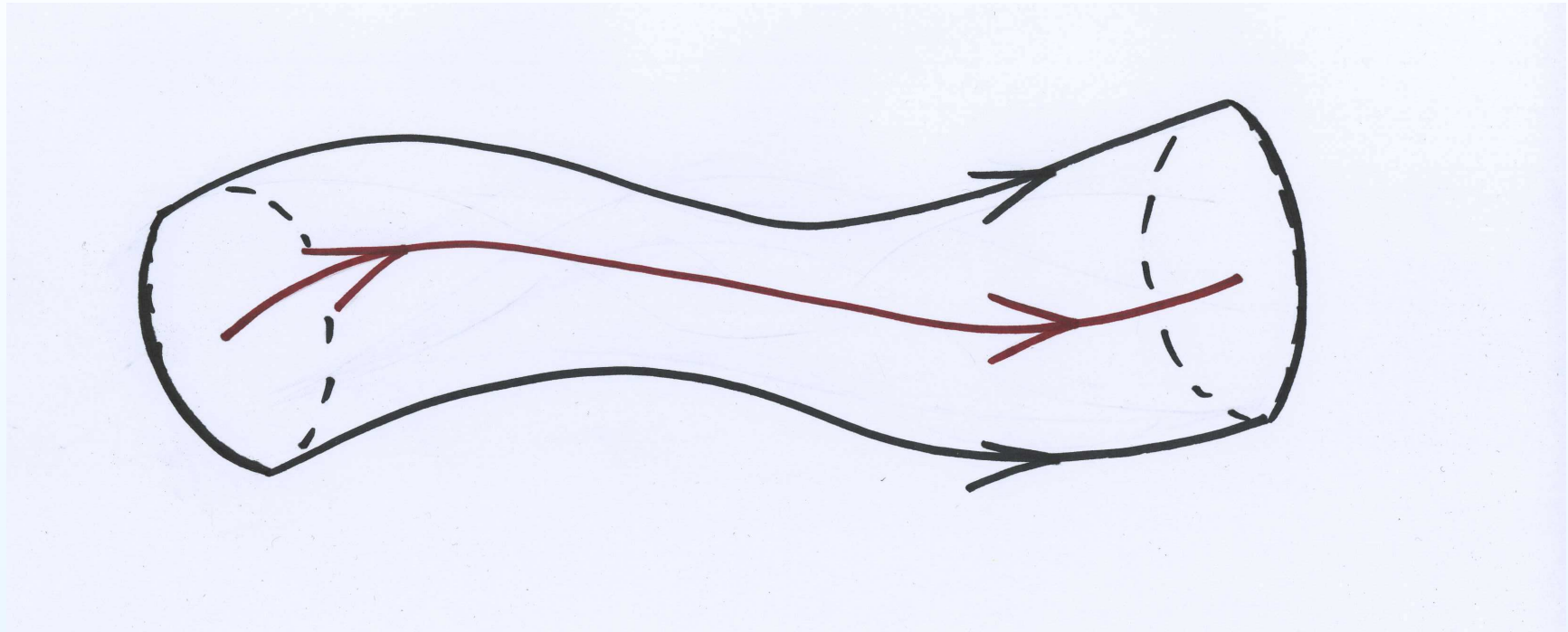
In the example the integral Jacobi $I(\cdot)$ is excluded.

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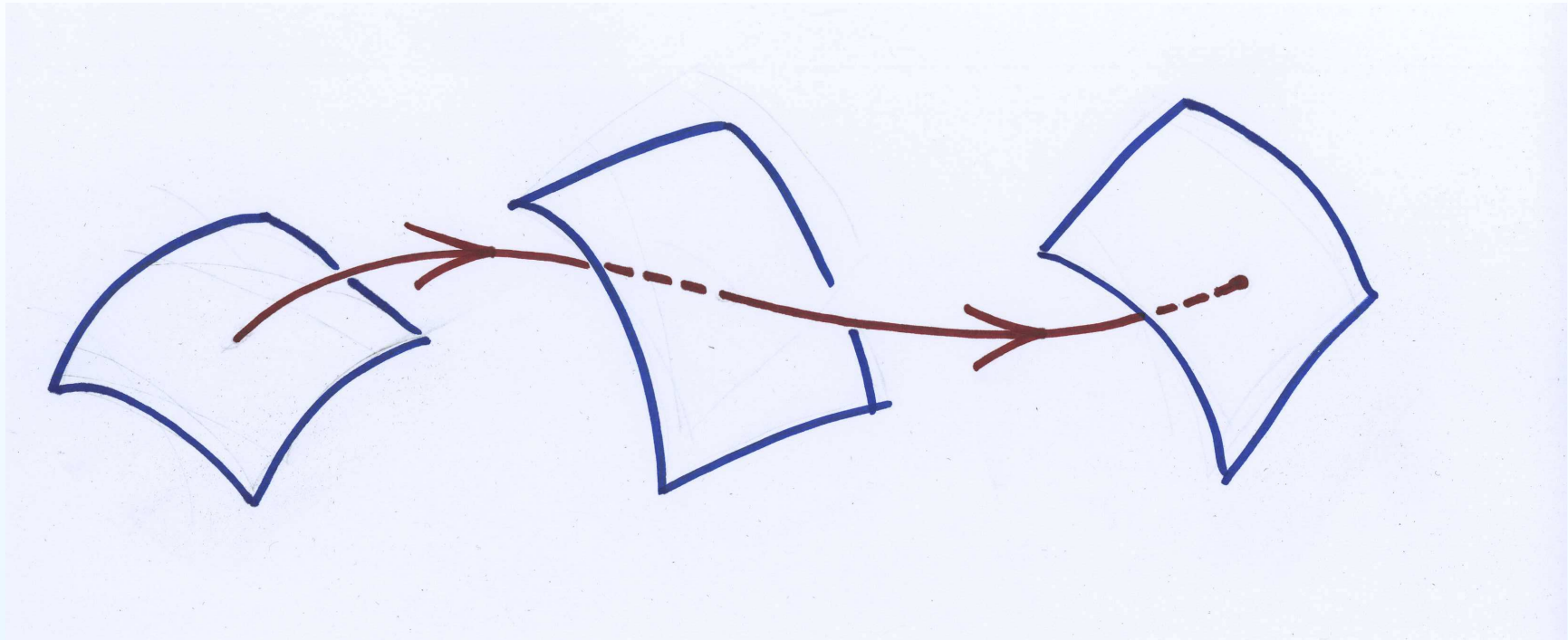
Given a trajectory of a nominal motion

Geometrical Interpretation



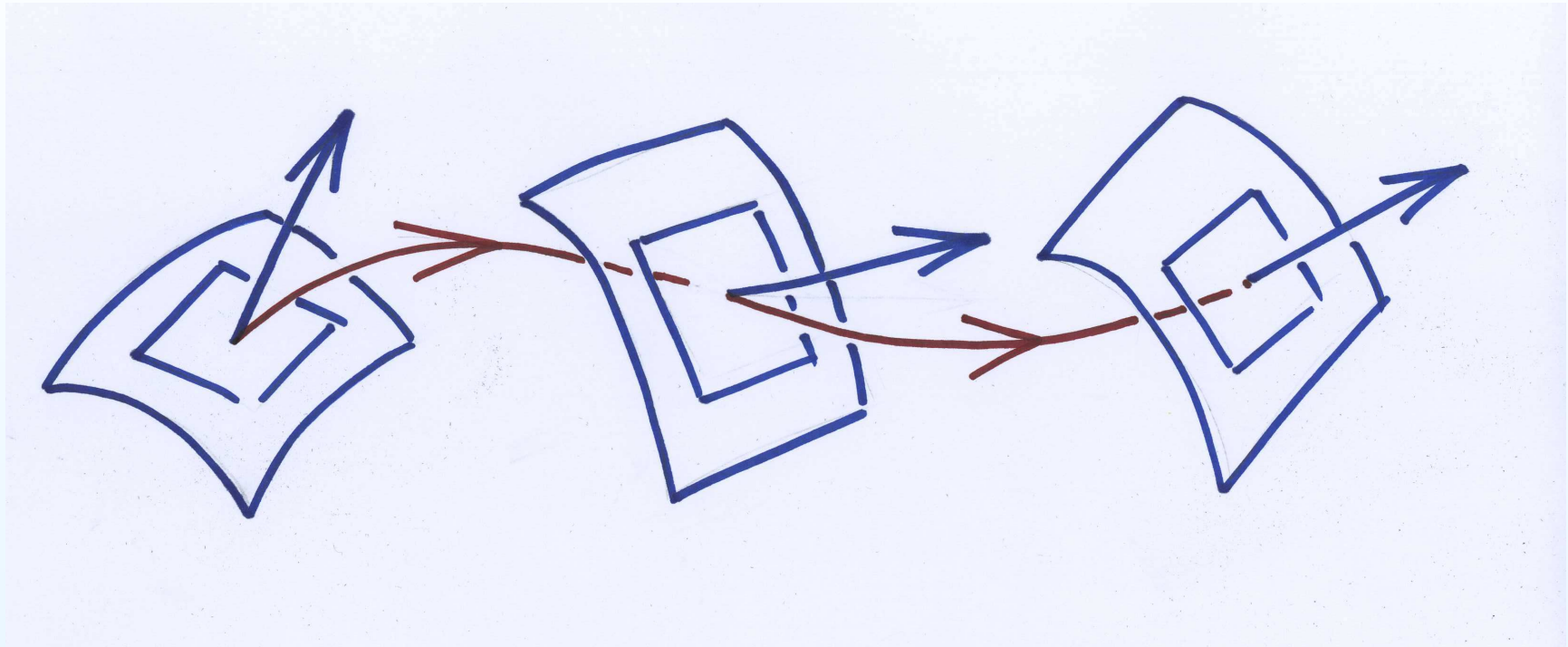
We would like to analyze properties of the dynamics
in its tubing vicinity

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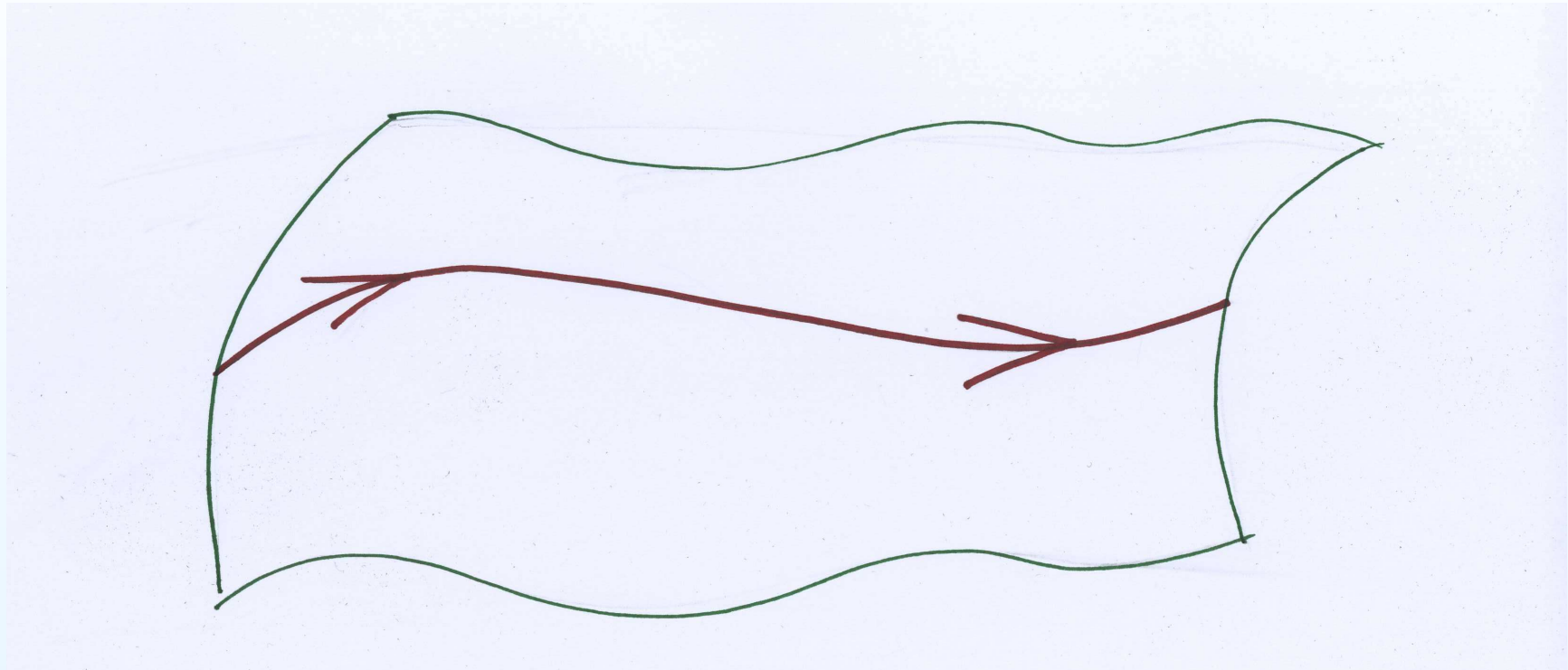
Introduce a family of dis-joint transverse surfaces
that are continuously slicing this vicinity

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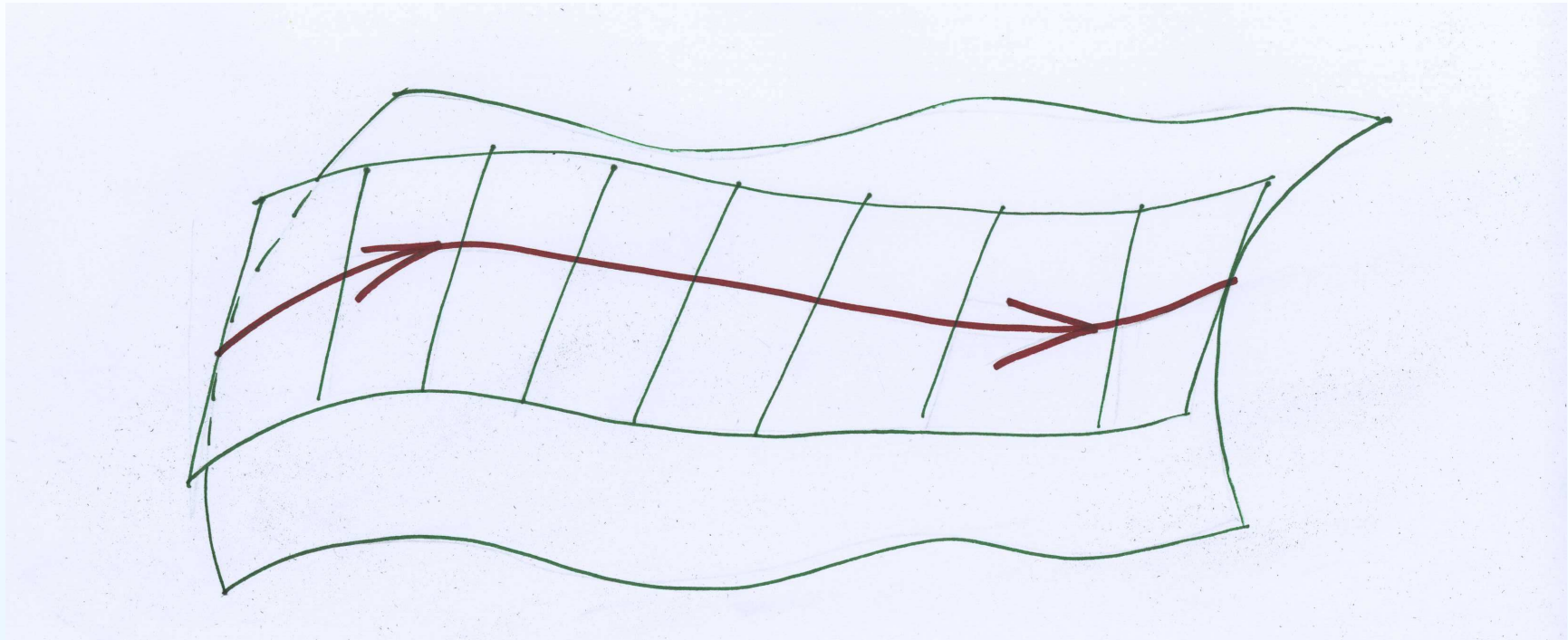
For the linearization of the dynamics the surfaces
are substituted by tangent planes

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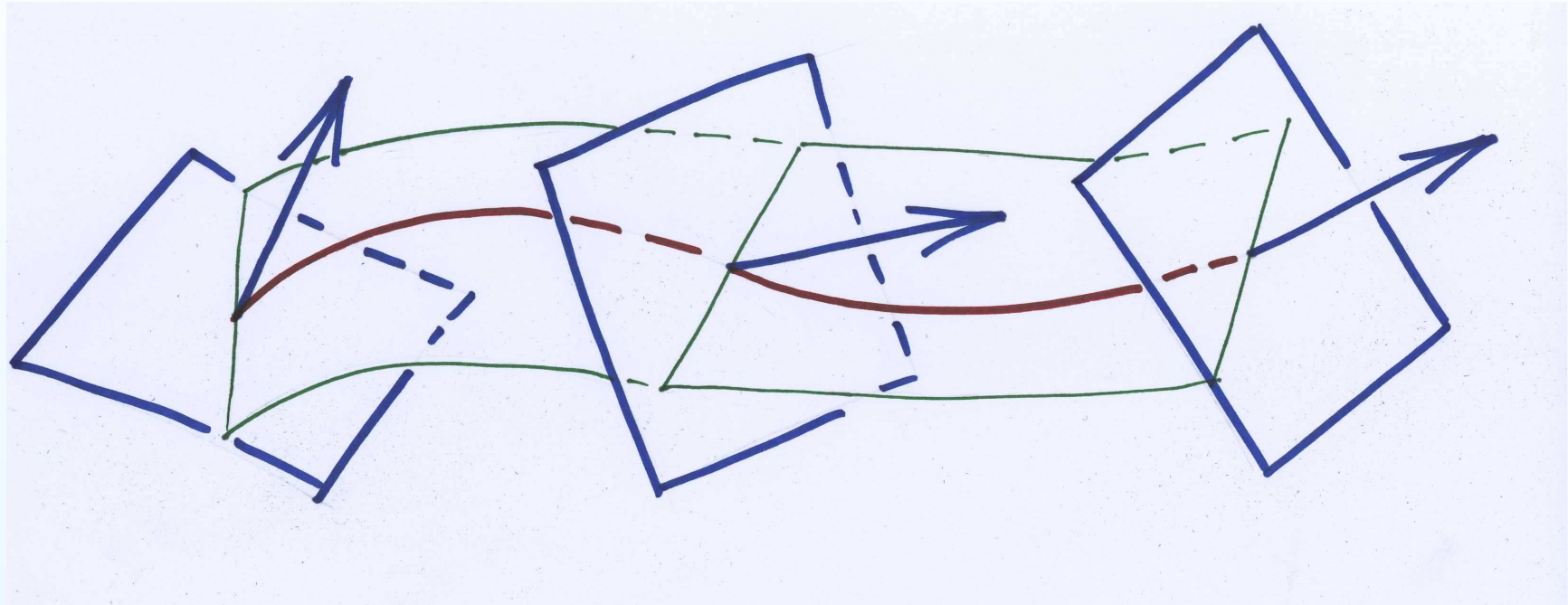
If the dynamics have some invariants,
then they define a manifold

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For the linearization we consider the linear subspaces that are tangent to the trajectory along this manifold

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Evolution of coordinates on these linear subspaces will define linearization of transverse coordinates with nontrivial behavior

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Representation for a Nominal Motion:

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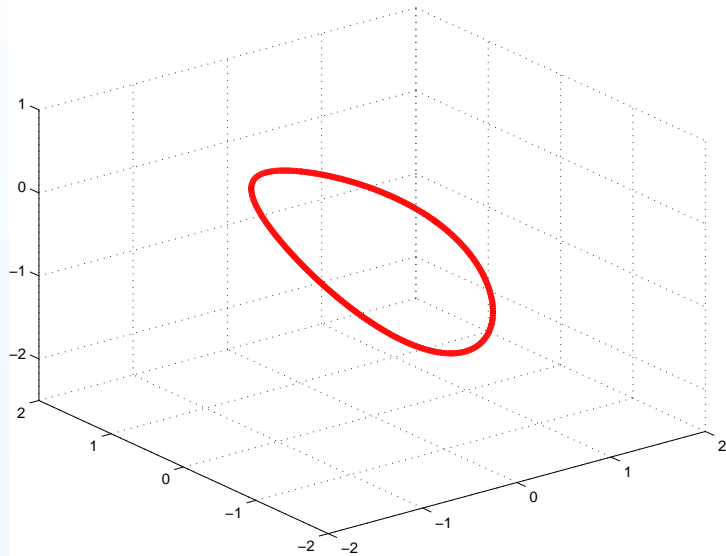
- $q = [q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n]^T$ is a vector of degrees of freedom
- $u = [u_1, \dots, u_m]^T$ is a vector of control forces
- $R(\cdot)$ is a vector

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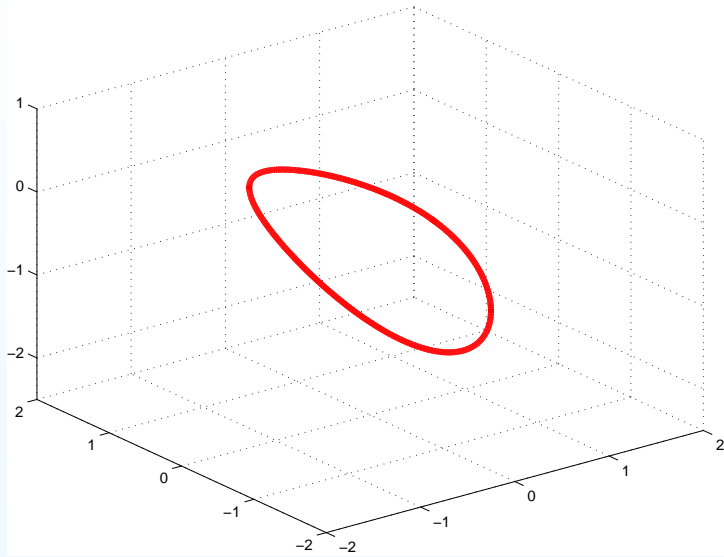


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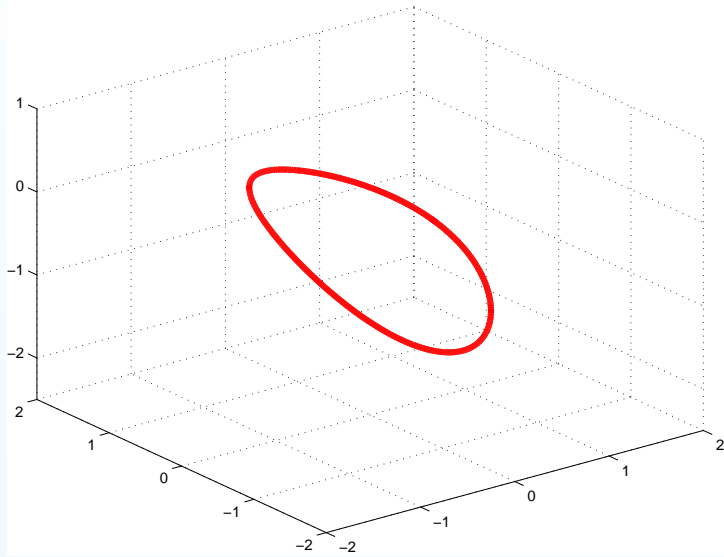
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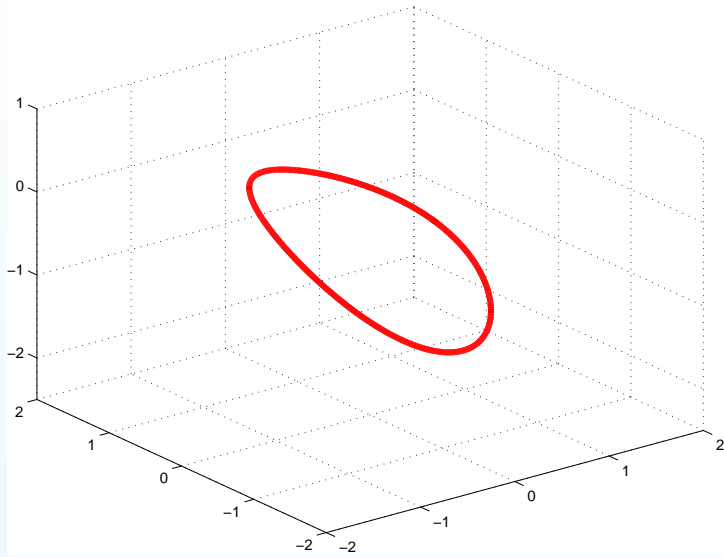
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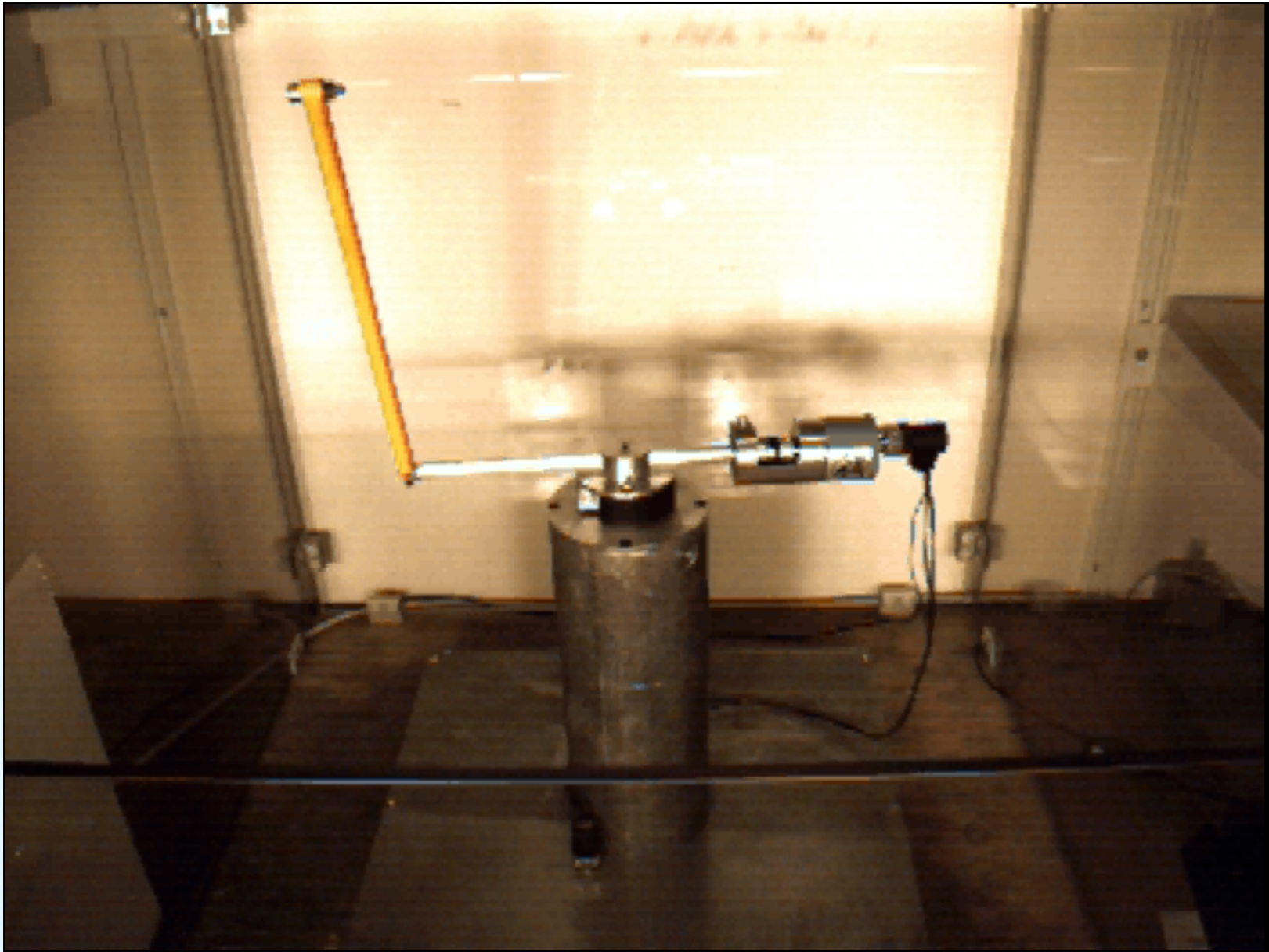
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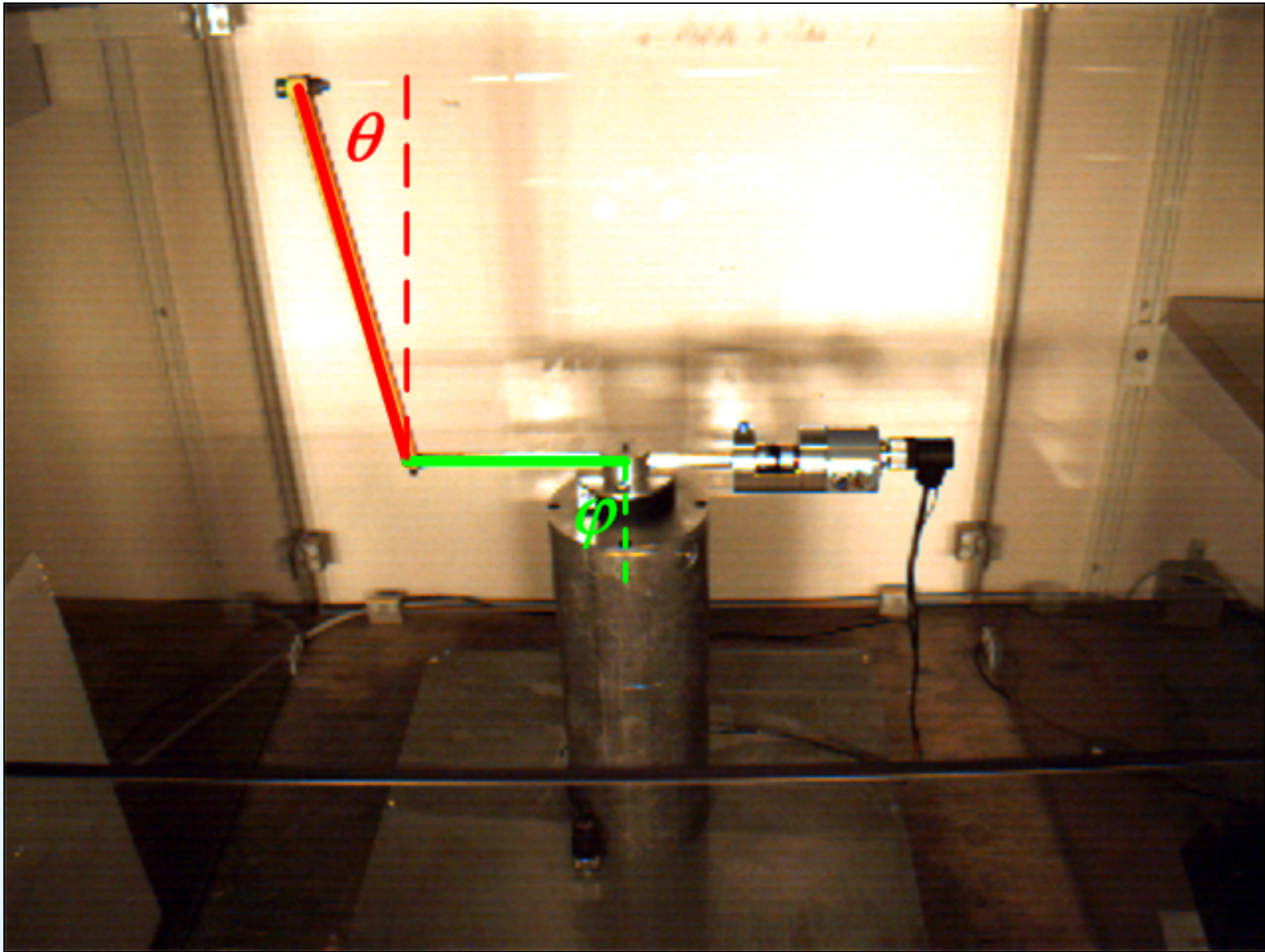
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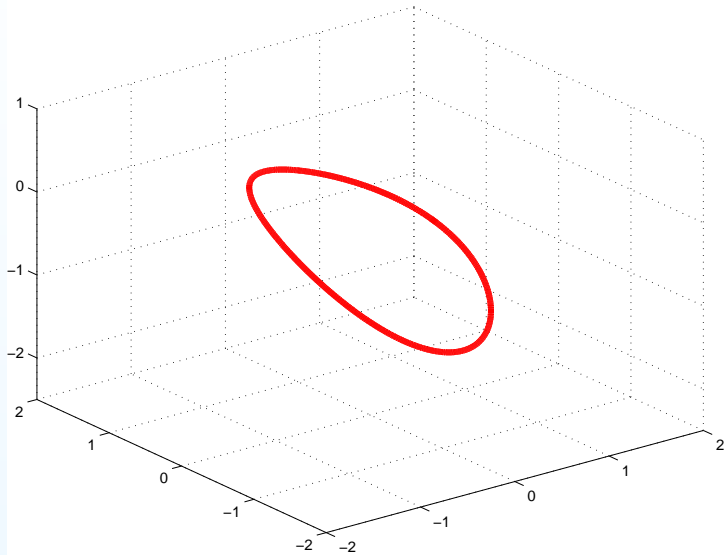
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- The motion is parameterized by this new variable θ^*

$$q_1^* = q_1^*(t(\theta^*)) = \phi_1(\theta^*), \quad \dots, \quad q_n^* = q_n^*(t(\theta^*)) = \phi_n(\theta^*)$$





Representation for a Target Motion (Cont'd):



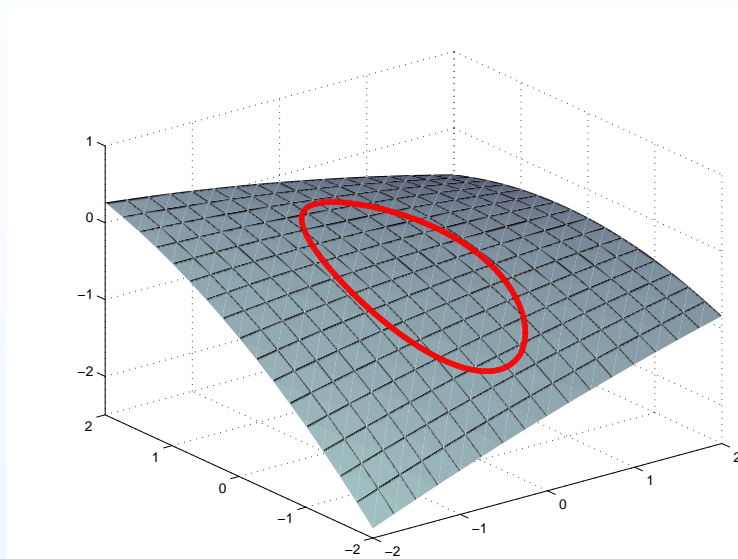
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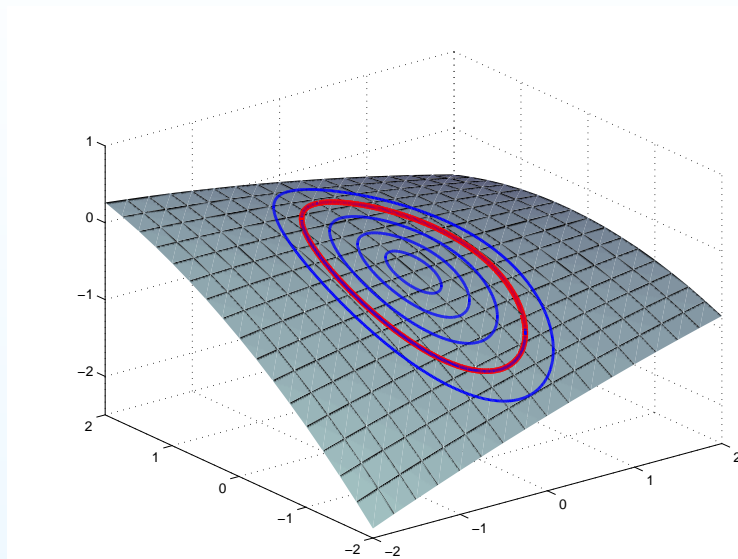
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How do the dynamics of θ look like on that manifold?

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Then θ is a solution of the system

$$\alpha(\theta)\ddot{\theta} + \beta(\theta)\dot{\theta}^2 + \gamma(\theta) = 0$$

where $\alpha(\cdot)$, $\beta(\cdot)$ and $\gamma(\cdot)$ are scalar function. ■

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Then one picks up the first equation (independent on control)

$$\begin{aligned}m_{11}(q)\ddot{q}_1 + \dots + m_{1n}(q)\ddot{q}_n + \\ + c_{11}(q, \dot{q})\dot{q}_1 + \dots + c_{1n}(q, \dot{q})\dot{q}_n + g_1(q) = \dot{q}^T r_1(q) \dot{q} + \mathbf{0}\end{aligned}$$

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and $\theta(t)$ is the solution of both equations!

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with

$$\psi(\theta_0, \theta_1) = \exp \left\{ -2 \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_1} \frac{\beta(\tau)}{\alpha(\tau)} d\tau \right\}$$

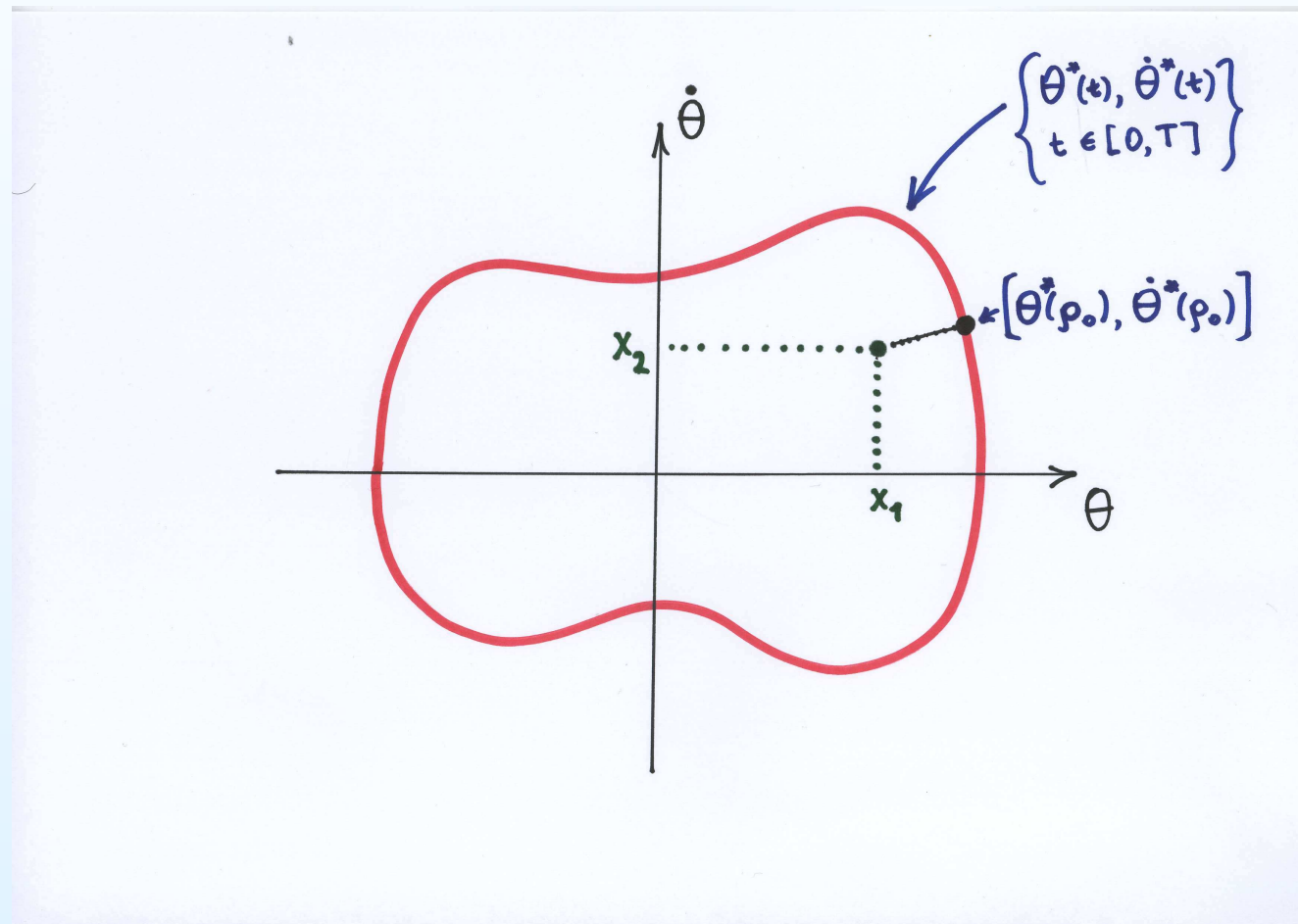
preserves its **zero-value** along this (even unbounded) solution

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Here

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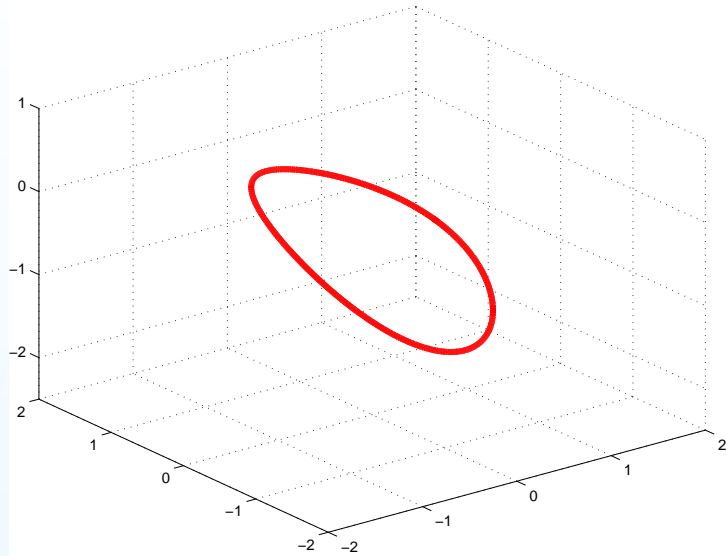
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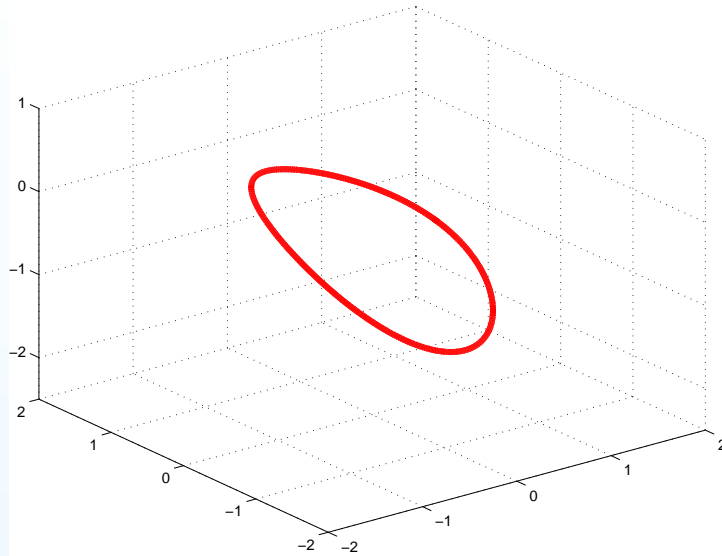
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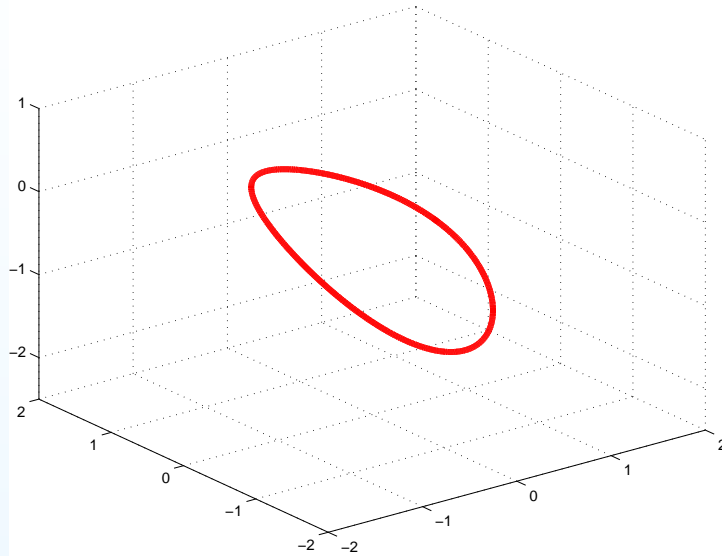
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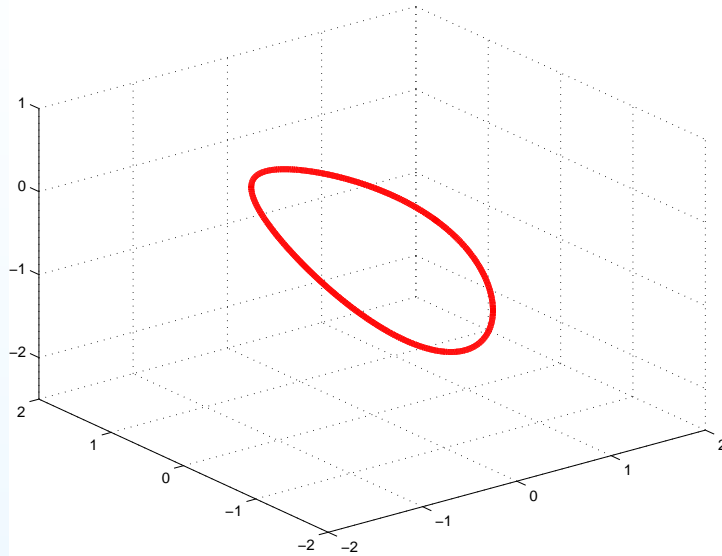
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one can compute **analytically** the linearization of transverse dynamics of the underactuated Euler-Lagrange system

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can be quite non-trivial.

Find feasible motions of the system consistent with requirement
the center of mass should stay on a circle of radius R

I.e. along any such motion $[x_c(t), y_c(t), \theta_c(t)]$ the relations hold

$$x_c(t) = R \cdot \sin \theta_c(t)$$

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can be rewritten in $[\theta, I]$ -coordinates with $I = \dot{\theta}^2 - \omega^2$

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Linearization of transverse coordinates

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The controllability Gramian computed over the period

$$W_c = \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} e^{-A\tau} B(\tau) B(\tau)^T e^{-A^T \tau} d\tau$$

has three positive and two zero eigenvalues for any $J, R > 0$

$$\lambda(W_c) = \{w_1, w_2, w_3, 0, 0\}, \quad w_i > 0$$

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