

# Eulerian Formulation of the Torque and Drag Problem

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*Nonlinear Dynamics and Control of Deep Drilling Systems*

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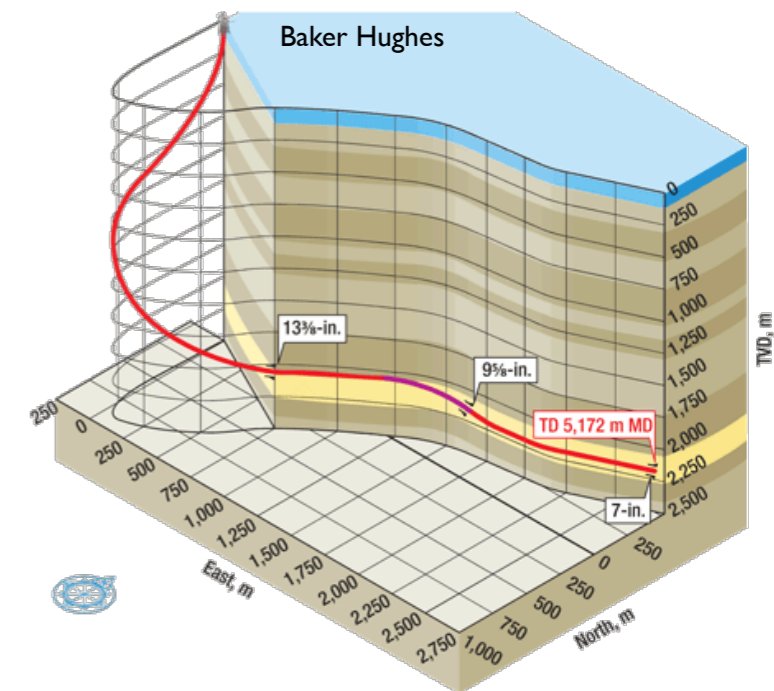


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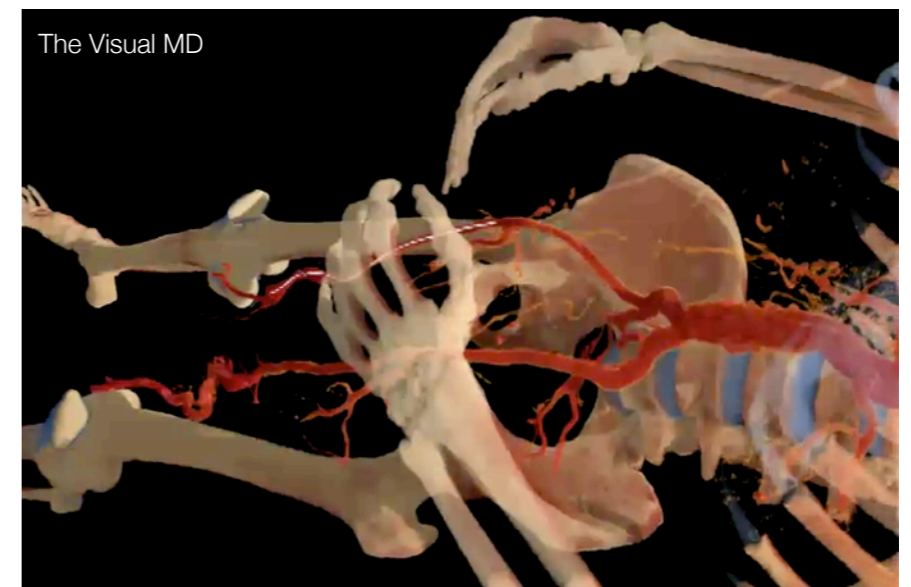
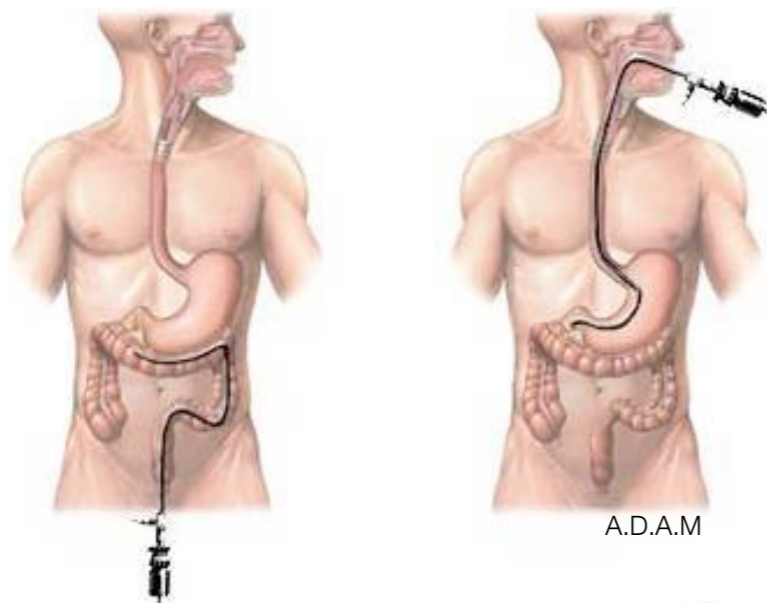
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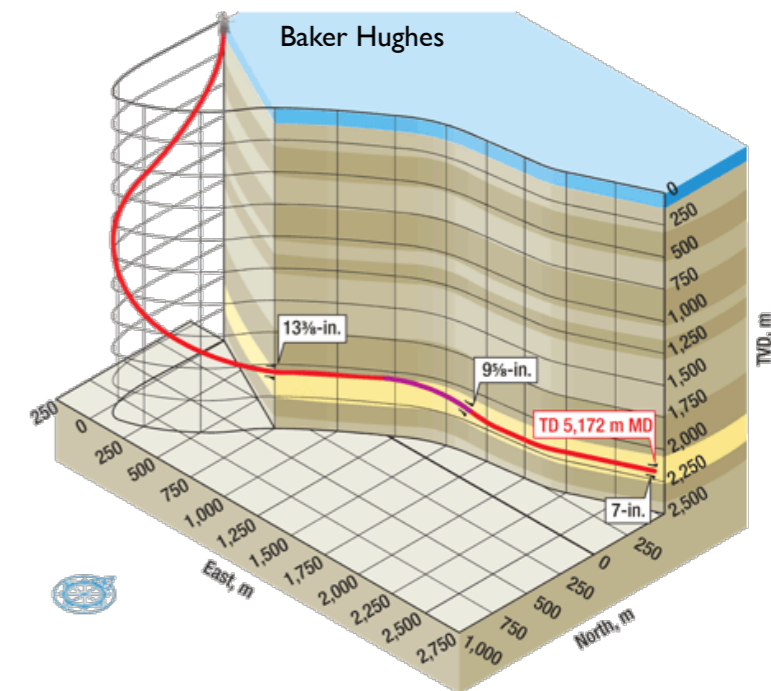


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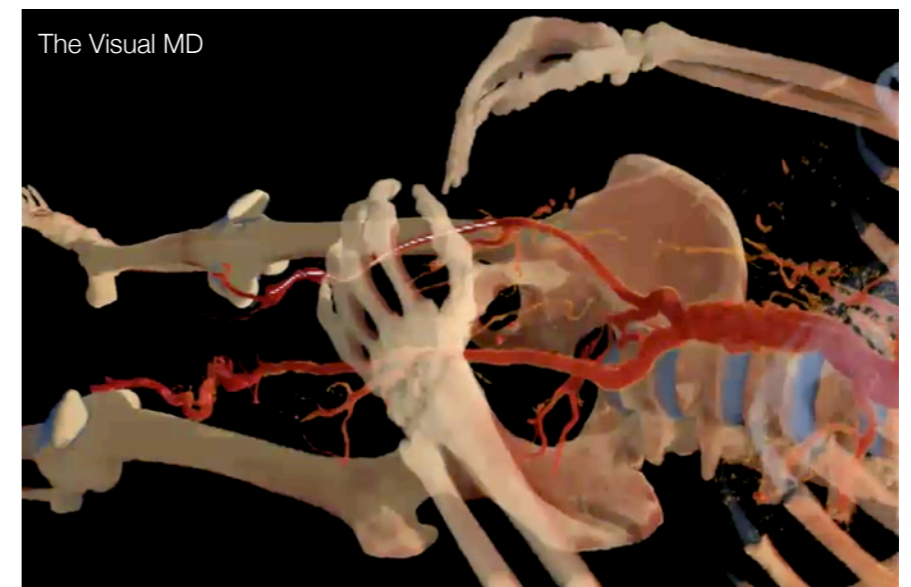
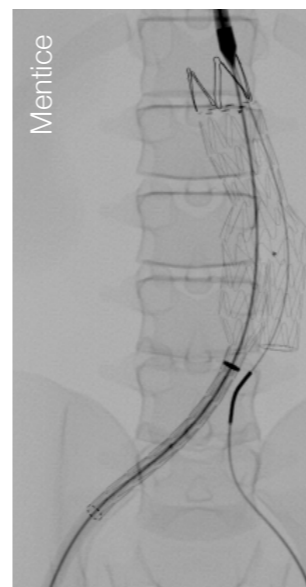
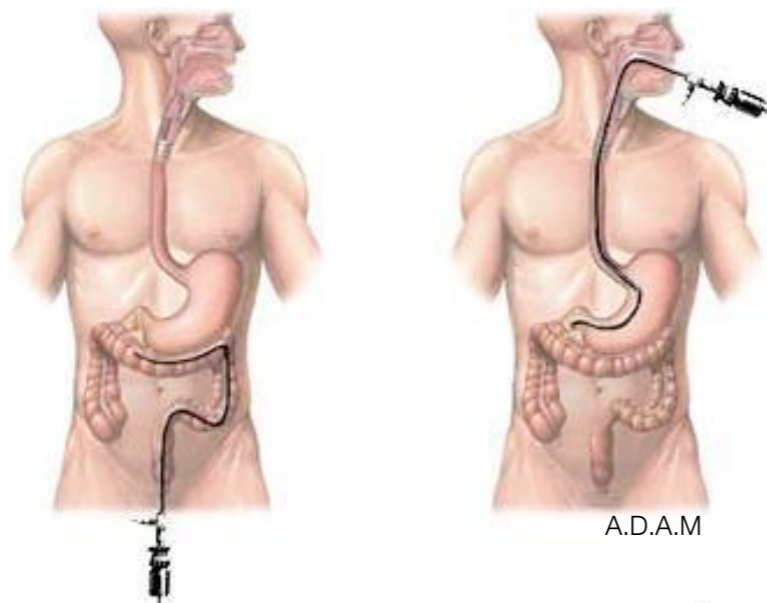
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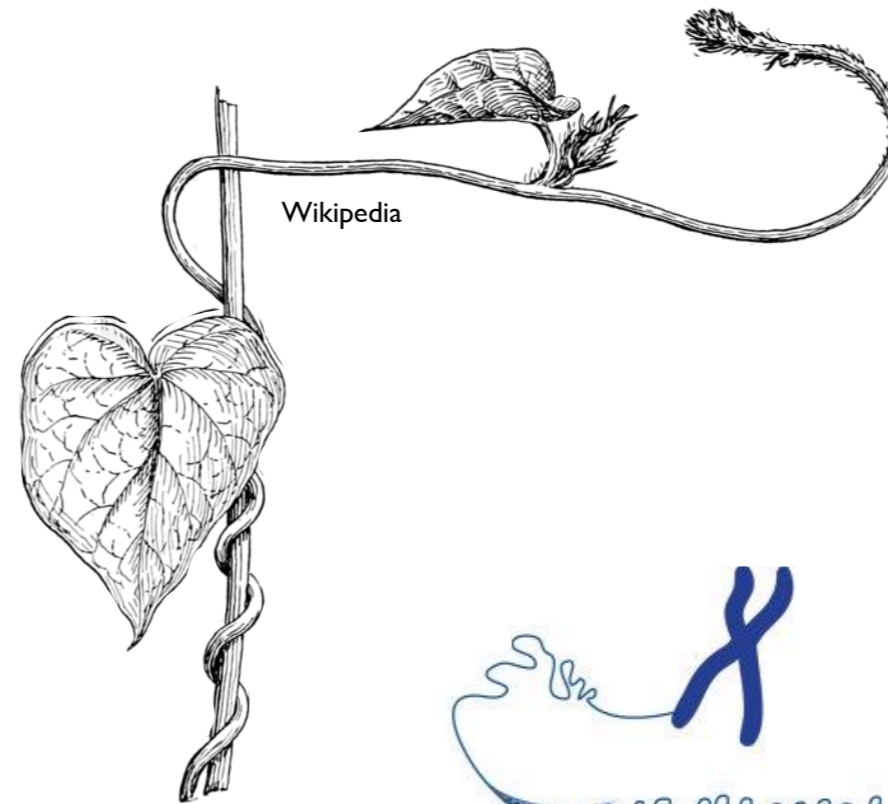


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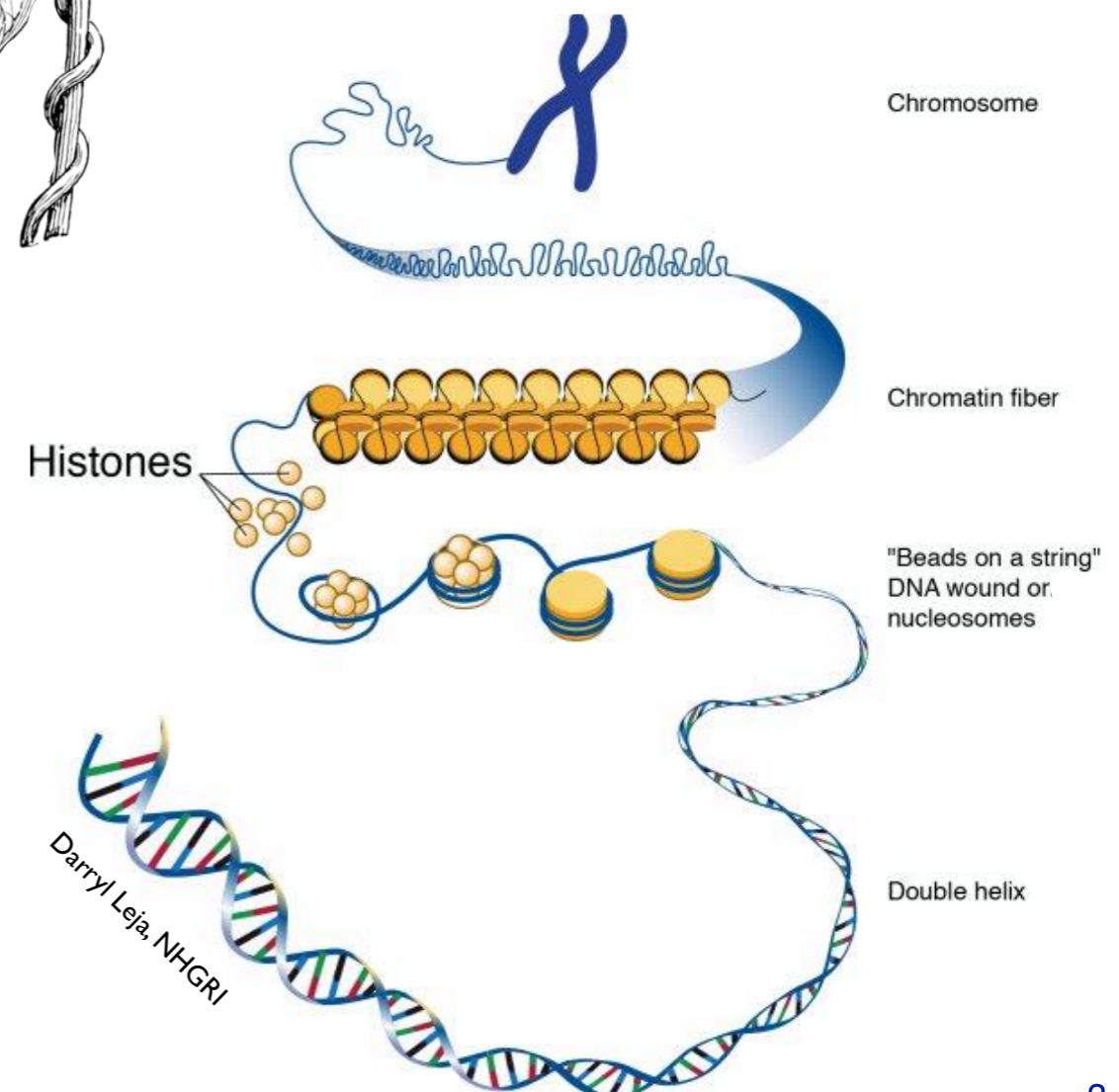
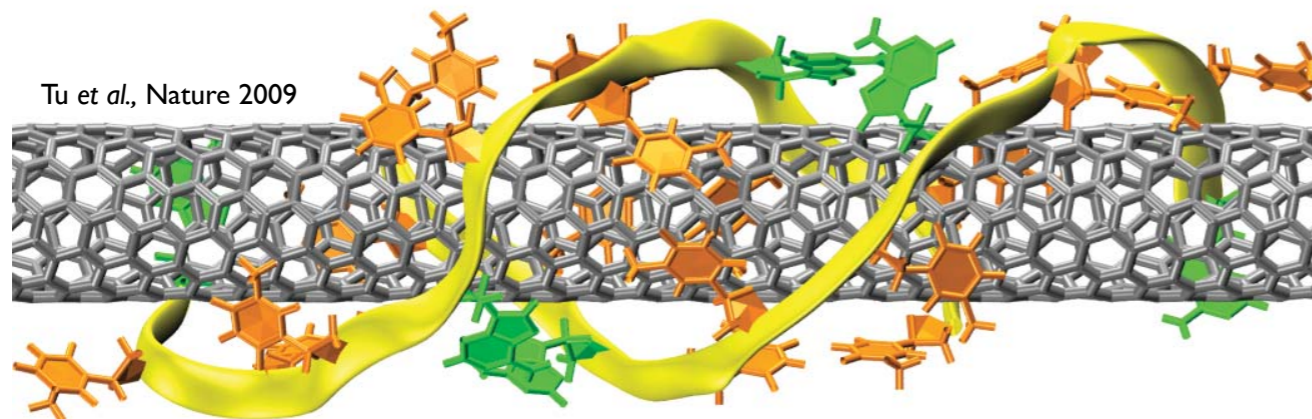
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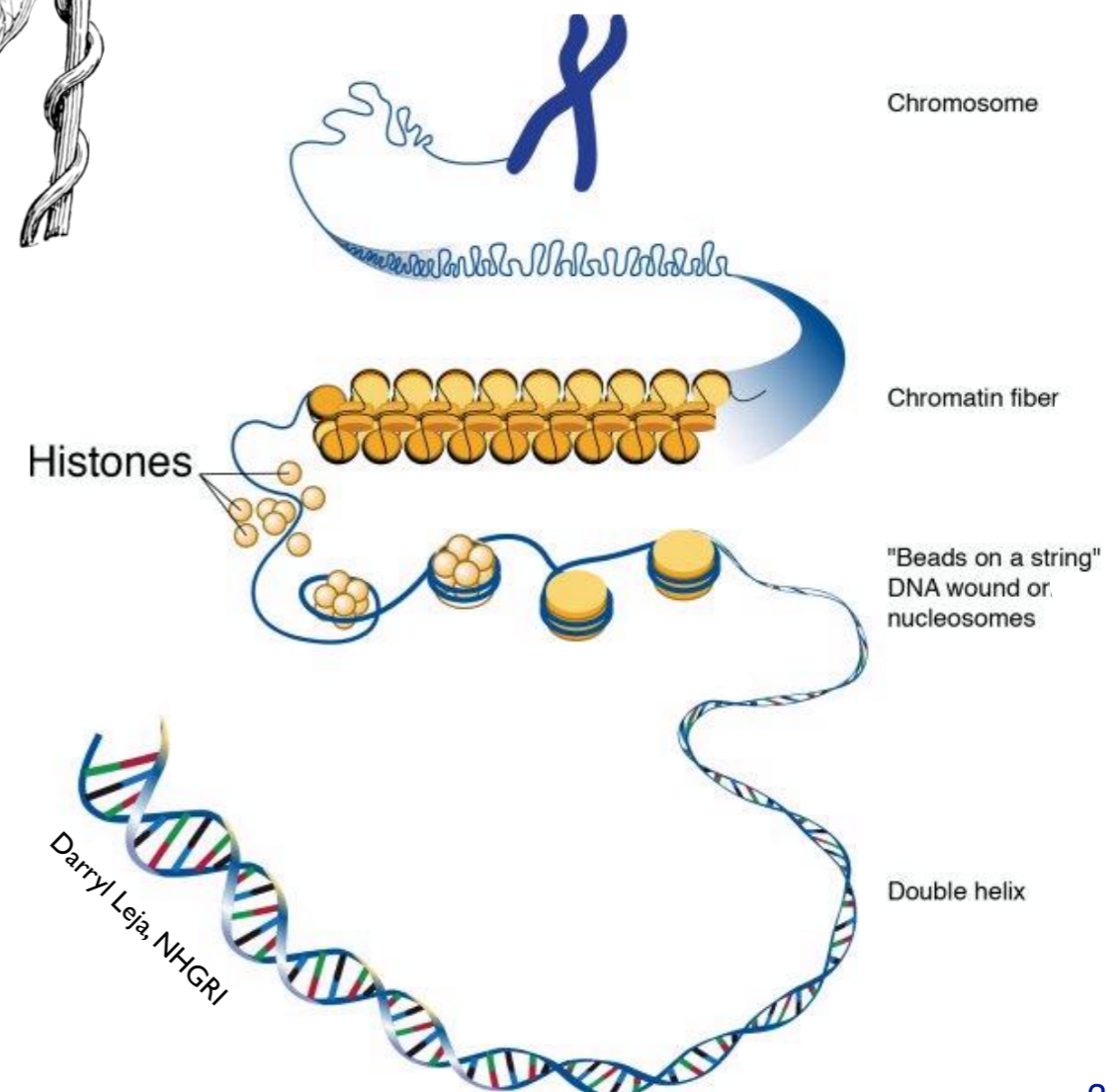
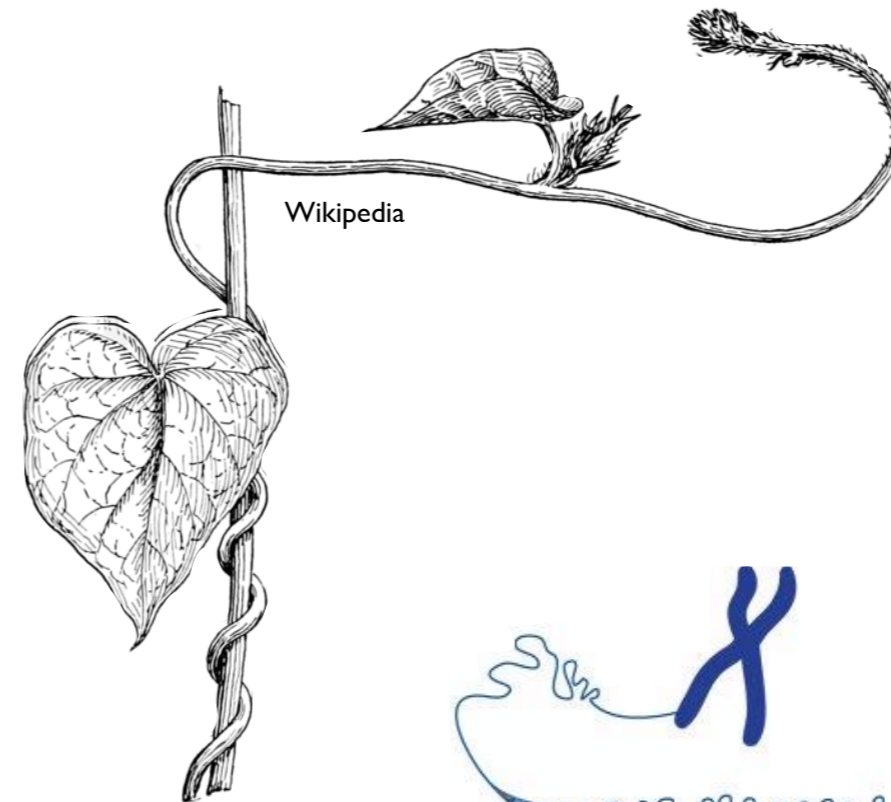
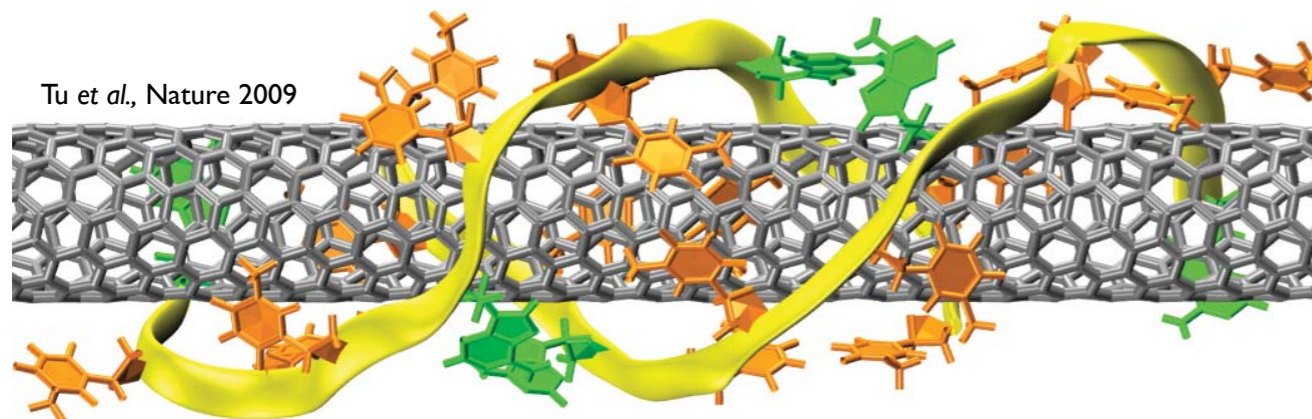
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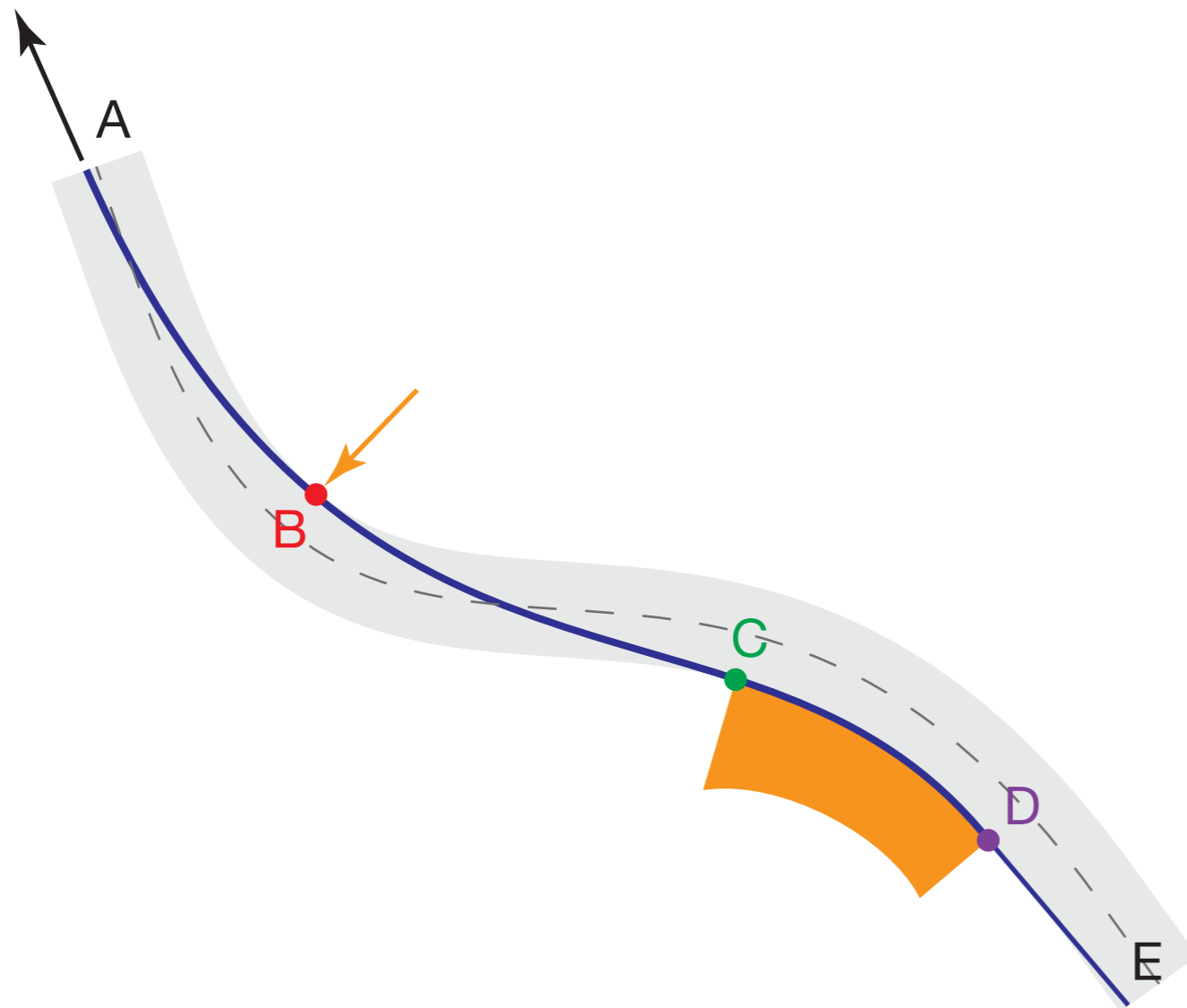
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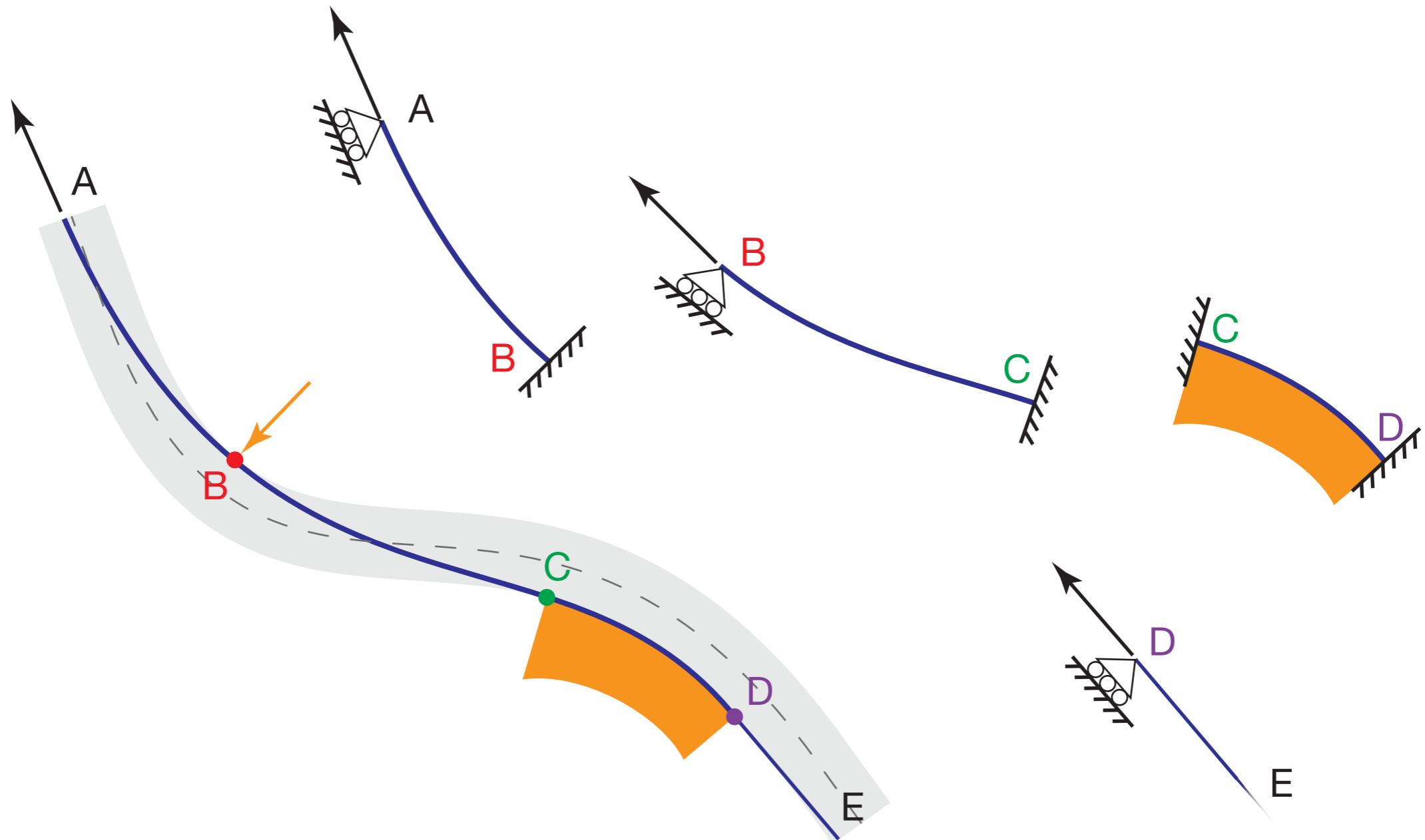
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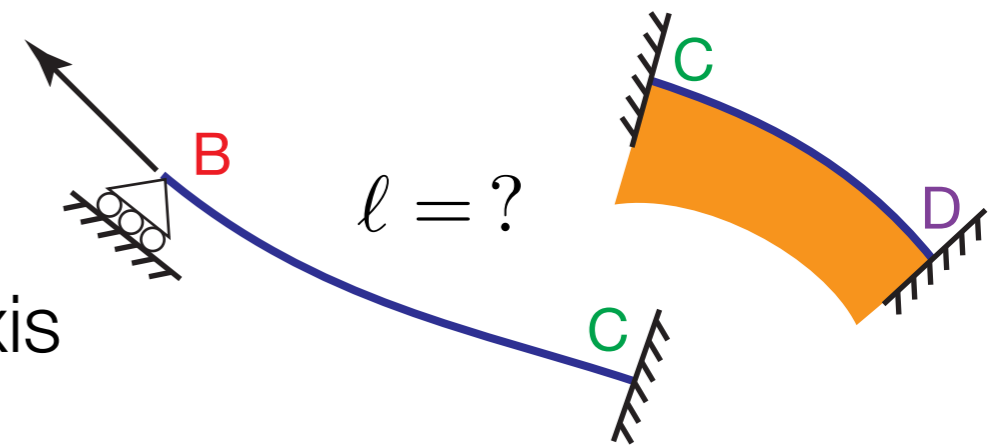
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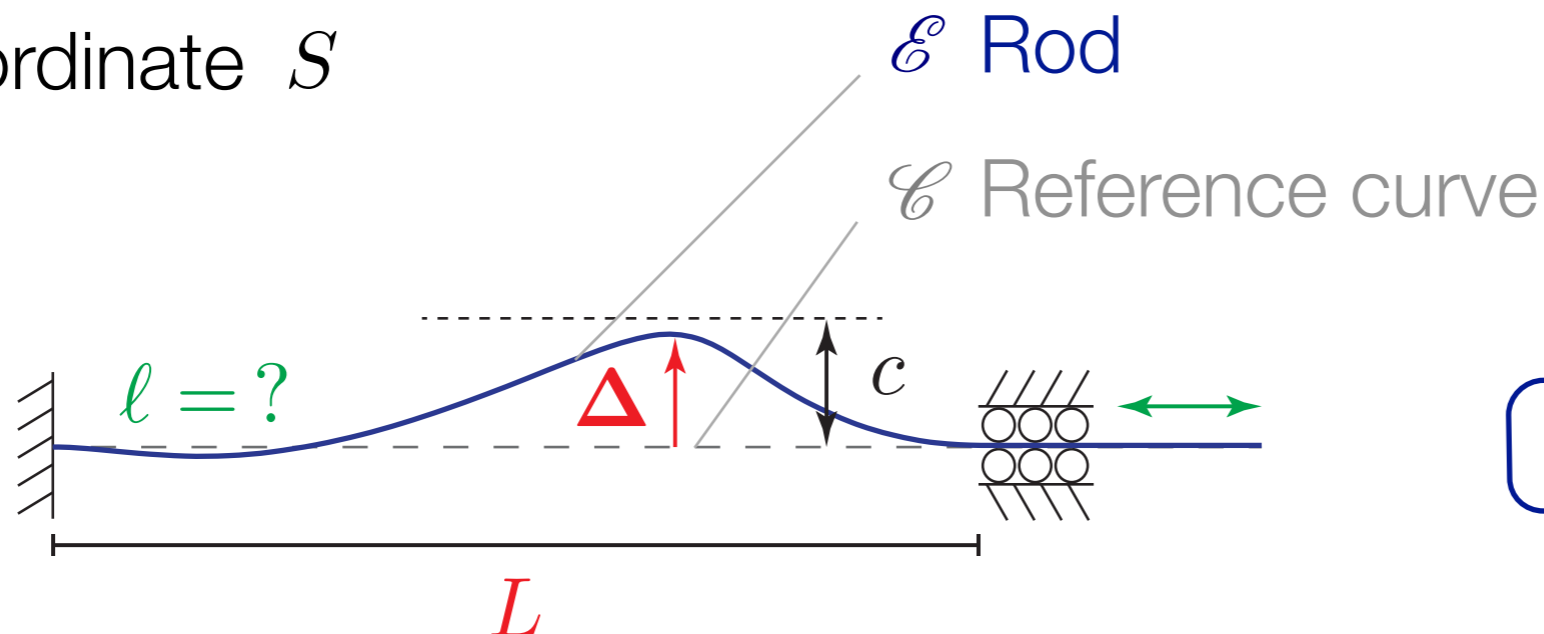
- Segmentation drawbacks

- Initially unknown domain
- Evaluation of the distance rod/conduit axis



- Eulerian formulation (Denoël & Detournay, 2011)

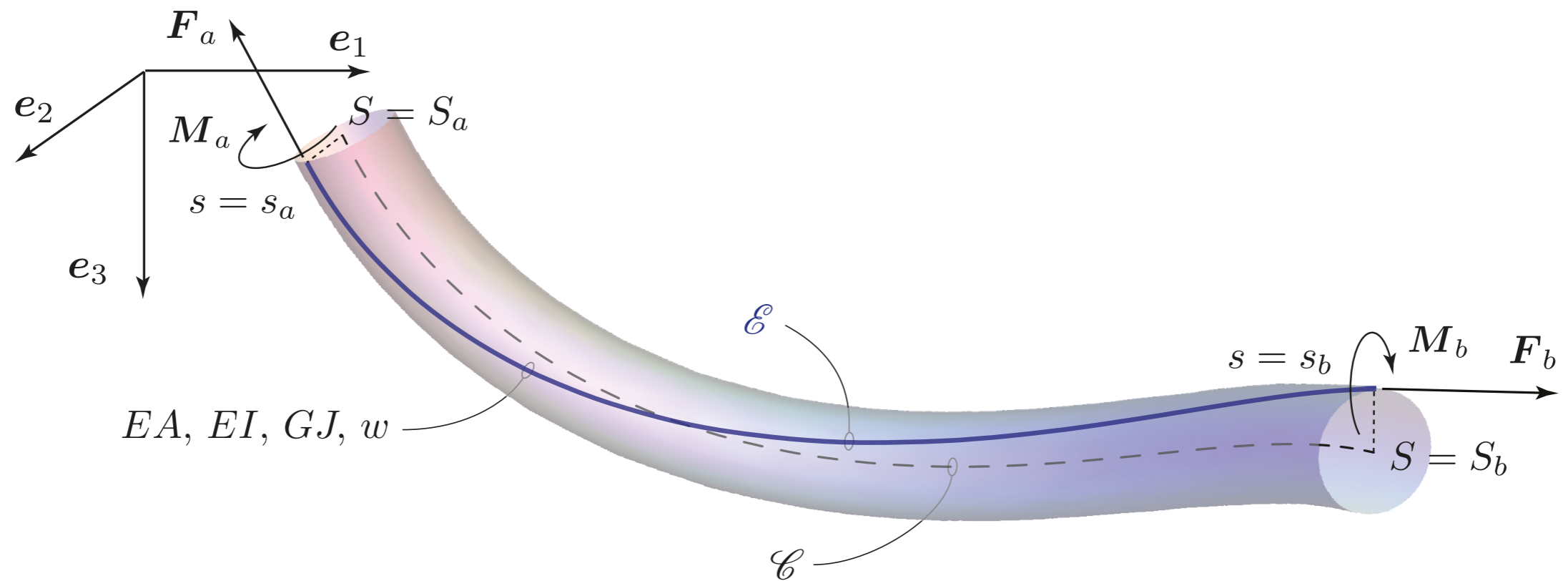
- Rod *relative* deflection  $\Delta(S)$
- Problem length  $L$
- Coordinate  $S$



Self-feeding



# Canonical Problem



- Rod configuration between contacts ( $s \in [s_a, s_b]$ )
  - Known extremities positions and inclinations  $x_j(s_{a,b})$ ,  $x'_j(s_{a,b})$
  - Known axial force  $F_b$  and torque  $M_b$ 
    - ↳ Boundary value problem
- Unknowns
  - Rod length  $\ell = s_b - s_a$ , axial force  $F_a$  and torque  $M_a$

# Lagrangian Formulation (Antman, 2005)

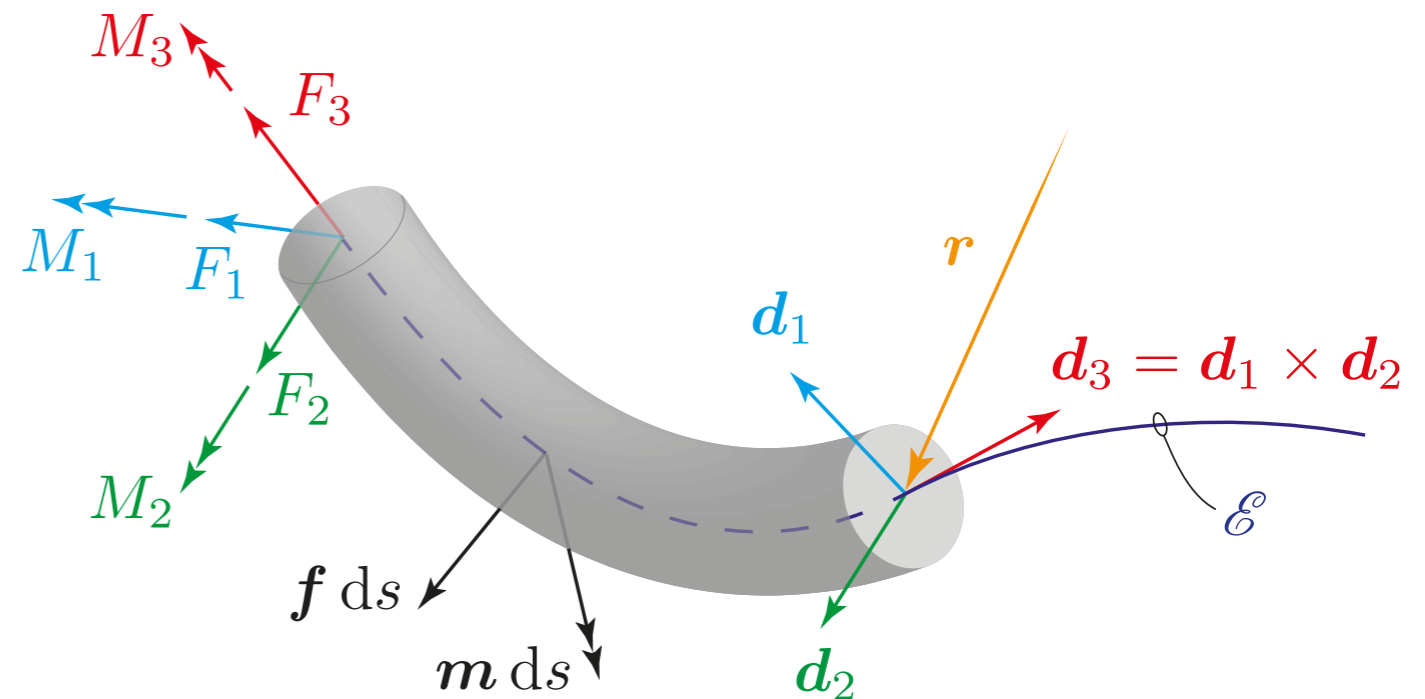
- Rod definition

- Centroid  $\mathbf{r}(s) = x_k \mathbf{e}_k$

- Space curve  $\mathcal{E}$

- Directors  $\{\mathbf{d}_k(s)\}$

- Section orientation



- Equilibrium

$$\frac{d\mathbf{F}}{ds} + \mathbf{f} = 0$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{M}}{ds} + \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} \times \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{m} = 0$$

- Kinematics

$$\frac{d\mathbf{d}_k}{ds} = \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{d}_k$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{ds} = \alpha \mathbf{d}_3$$

- Constitutive equations

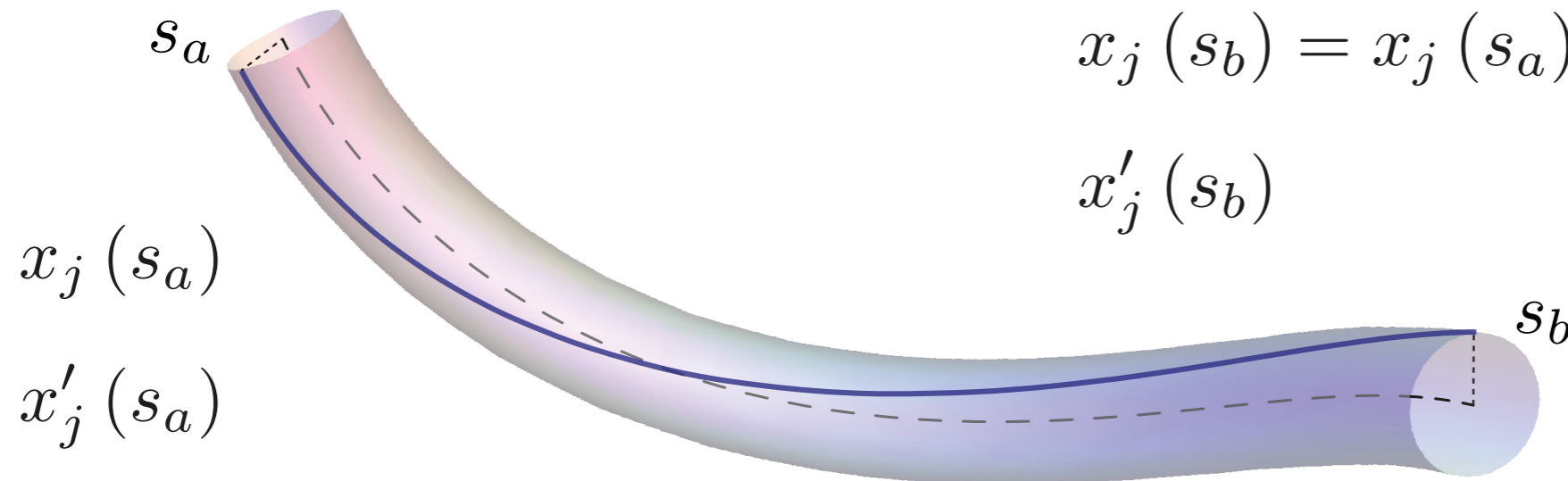
$$F_3 = EA(\alpha - 1)$$

$$M_{1,2} = EI u_{1,2}$$

$$M_3 = GJ u_3$$

# Issues with Lagrangian Formulation (Chen & Li, 2007)

- Boundary conditions:



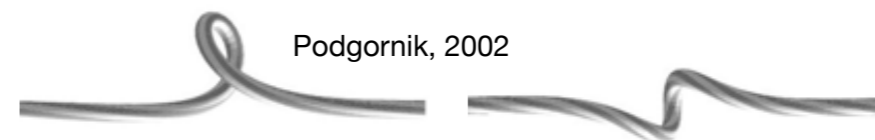
$$x_j(s_b) = x_j(s_a) + \int_{s_a}^{s_b} \mathbf{r}_{,s} \cdot \mathbf{e}_j ds$$

$$x'_j(s_b)$$

↪ Integral constraints on the *unknown length*  $\ell = s_b - s_a$  of the rod

- Ill-conditioning of the governing equations when  $EI/w\ell^3 \ll 1$

- Parasitic solutions with curling



- Contact detection: comparison of two curves parameterized by distinct curvilinear coordinates

- Conduit axis:  $X_j(S)$

(Eulerian coordinate)

- Rod axis:  $x_j(s)$

(Lagrangian coordinate)

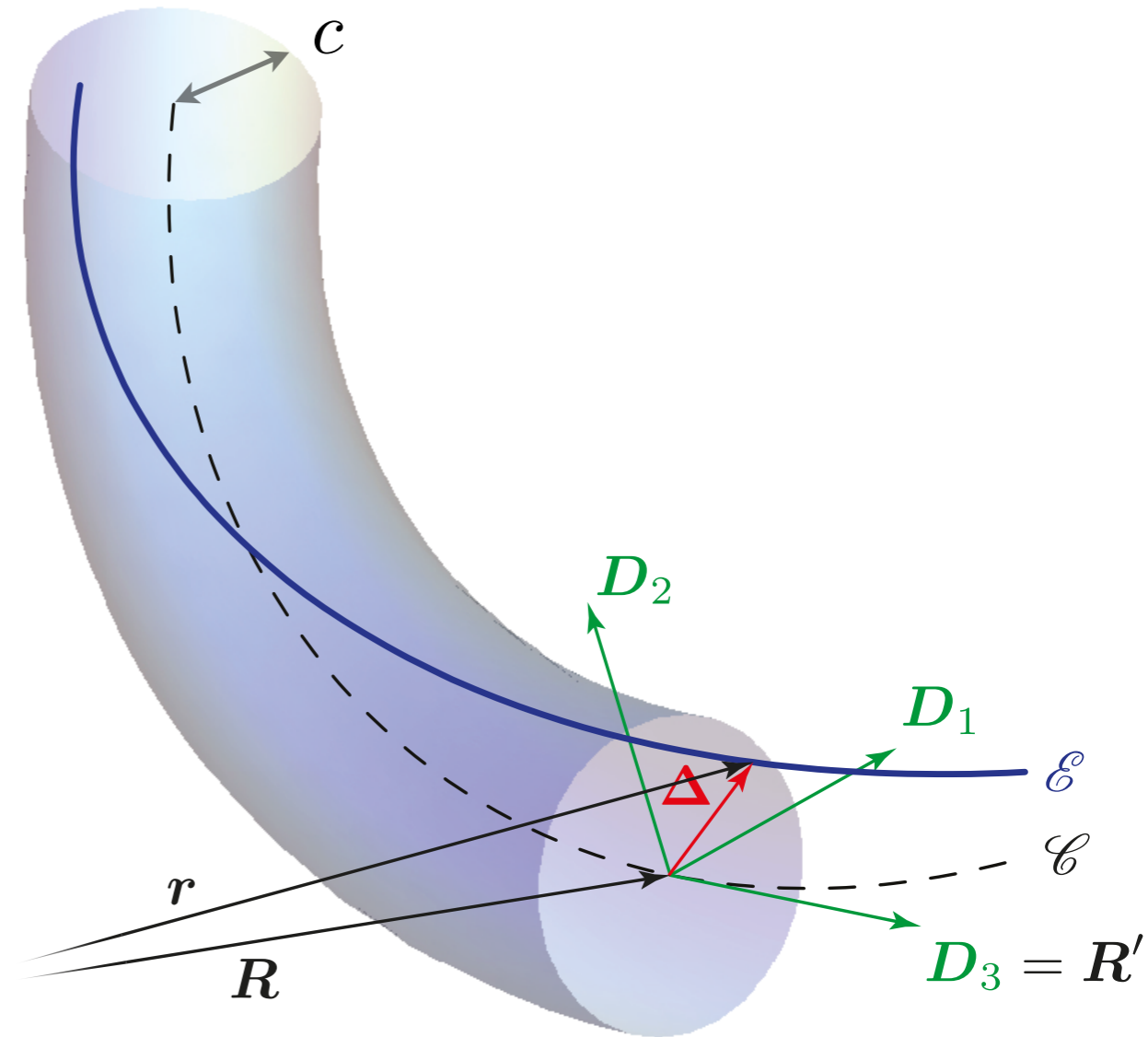
# Eulerian Formulation

- Orthonormal frame  $\{\mathbf{D}_j(S)\}$  attached to the reference curve  $\mathcal{C}$

- Eccentricity vector

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{r}(s) = \mathbf{R}(S) + \Delta(S) \\ \frac{d\mathbf{R}}{dS} \cdot \Delta = 0 \end{cases}$$

↪ Contact detection  $\|\Delta\| \leq c$



- Jacobian of the mapping

$$S(s) \longrightarrow \frac{d\cdot}{ds} = \boxed{\frac{dS}{ds}} \frac{d\cdot}{dS}$$

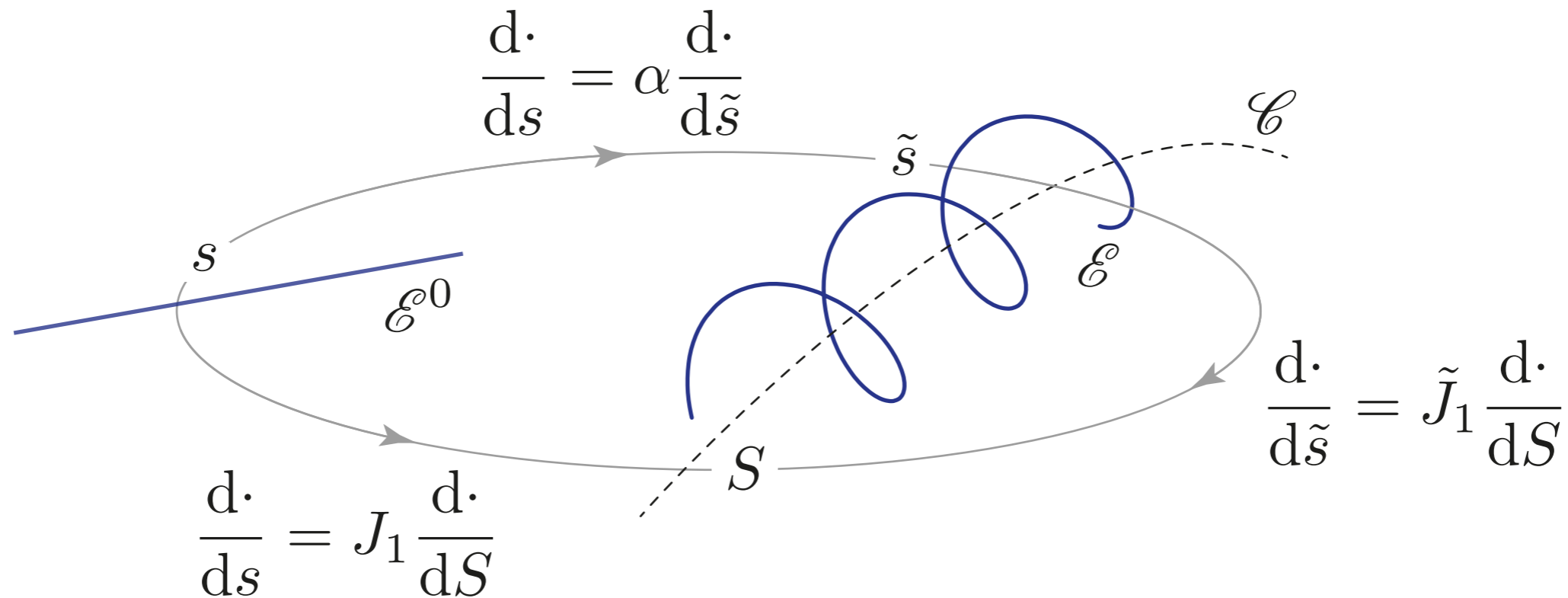
# Mappings: 3 Curvilinear Coordinates

Lagrangian

Reference config.

Stretched

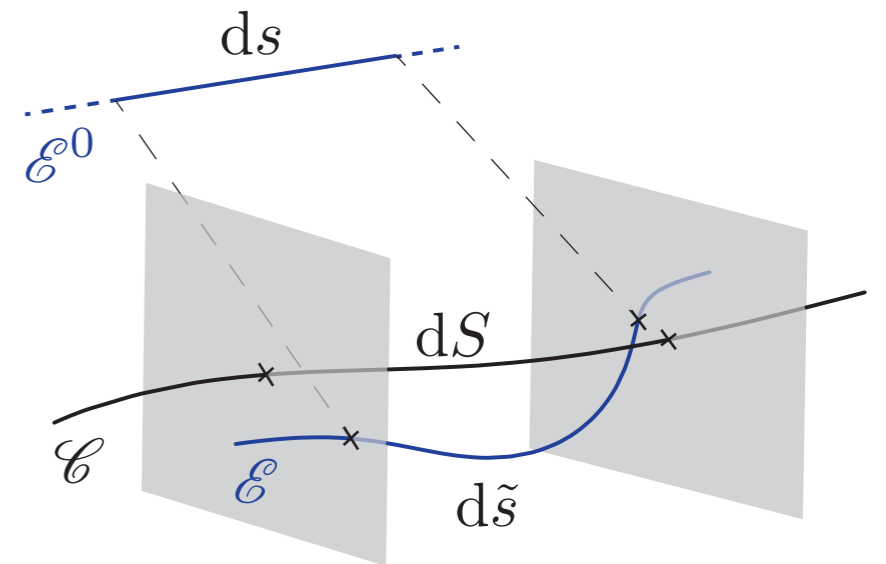
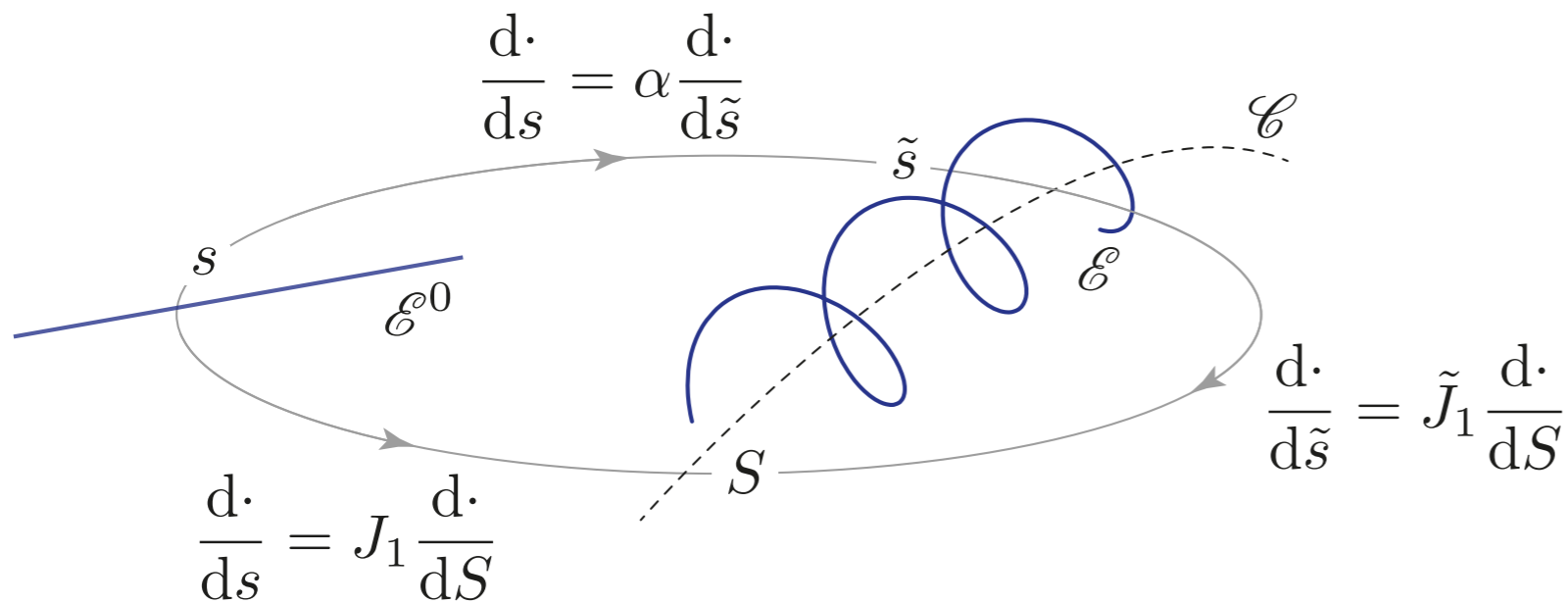
Deformed config.



Eulerian

Reference curve

# Jacobian of the Mapping

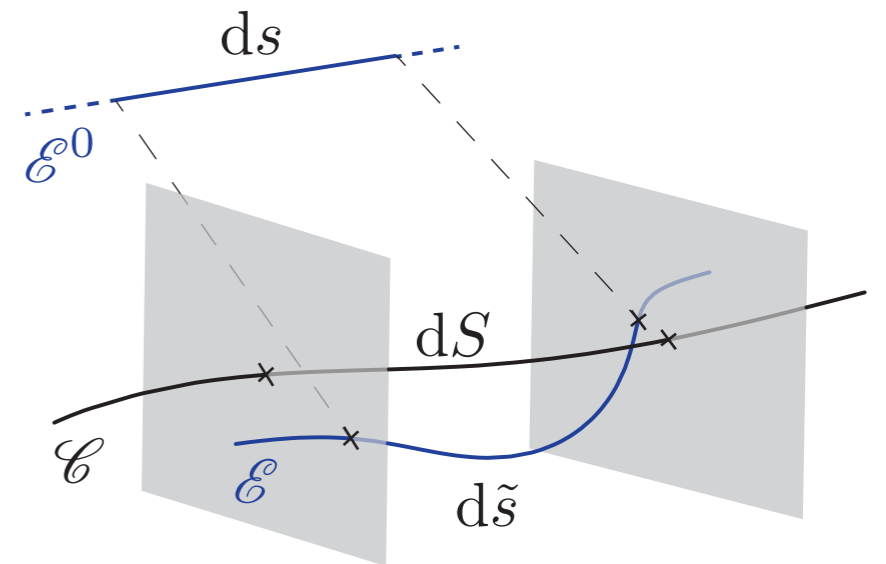
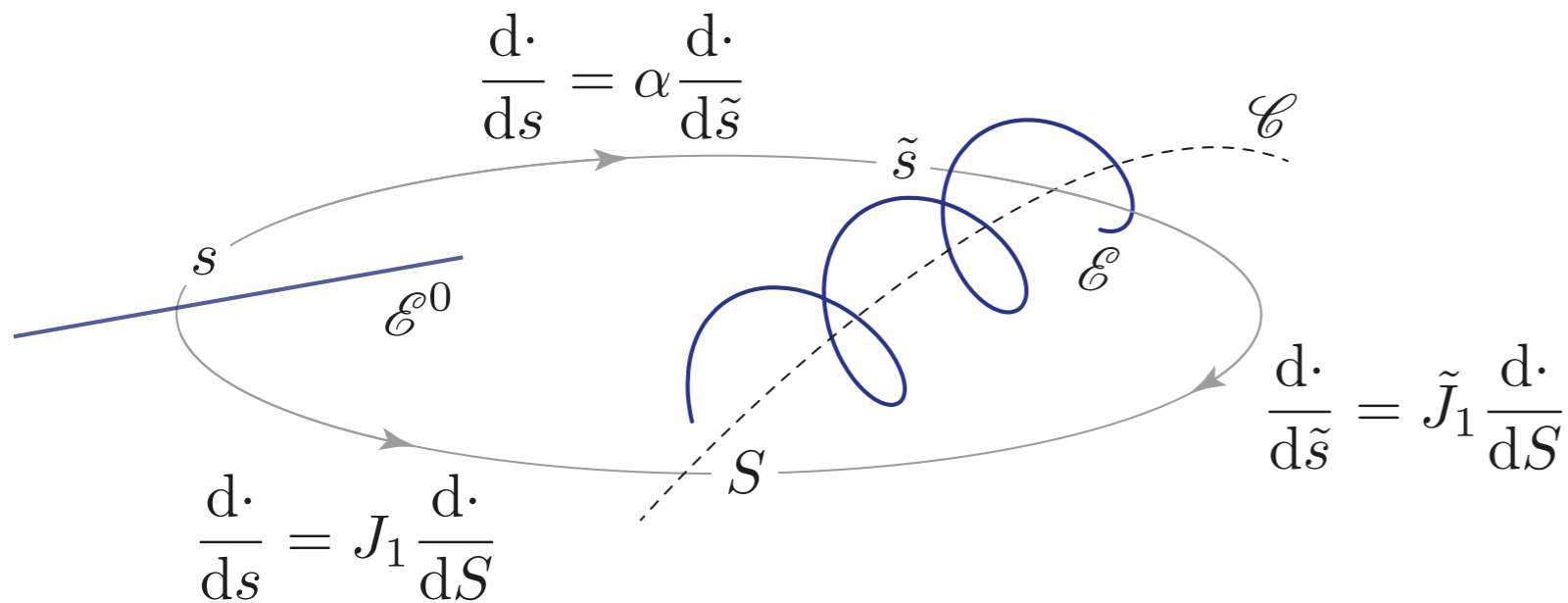


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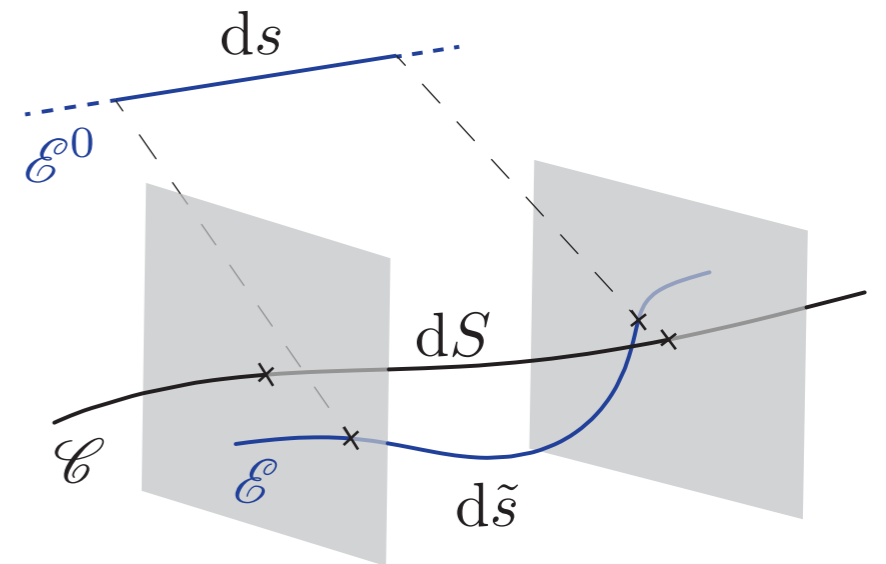
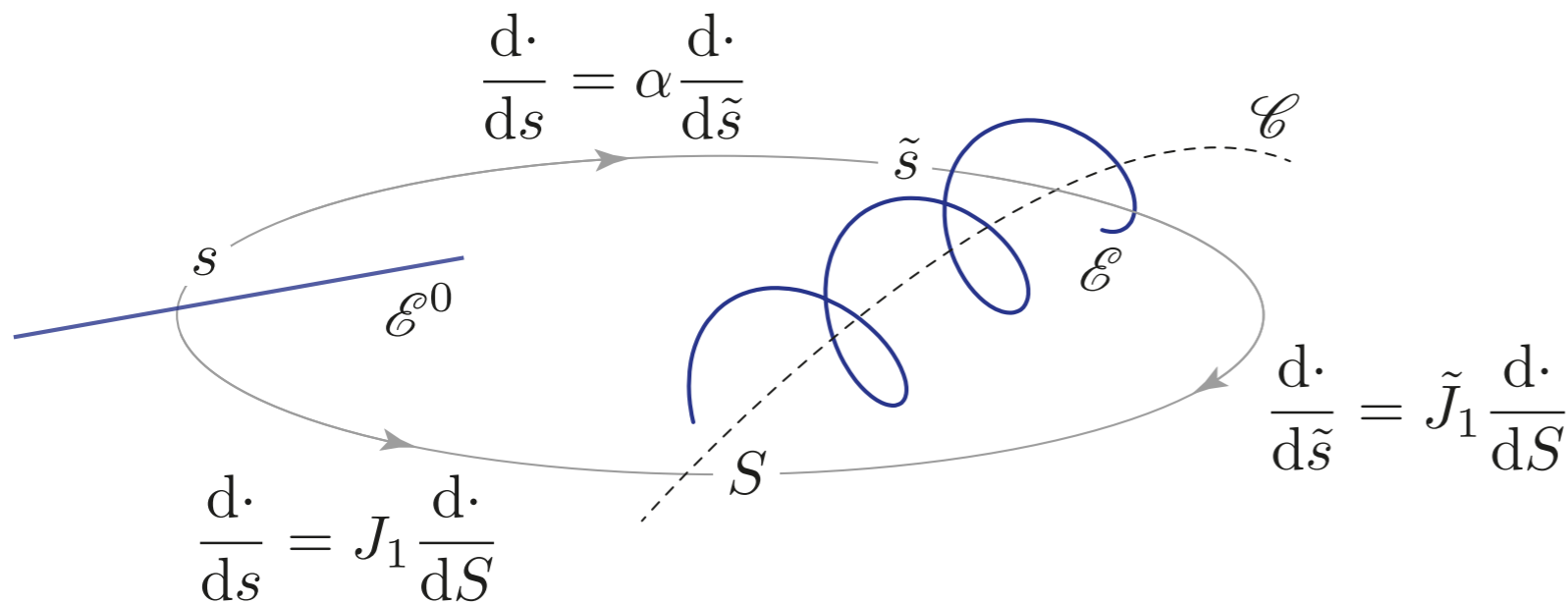
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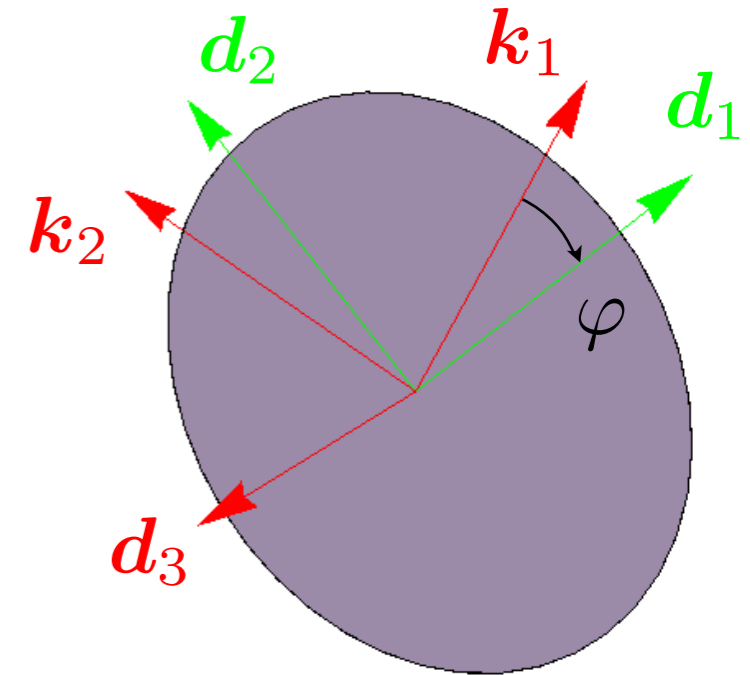
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- Strain variables

$$u_k = u_k(\alpha, \varphi, \mathbf{\Delta}, \mathbf{U})$$

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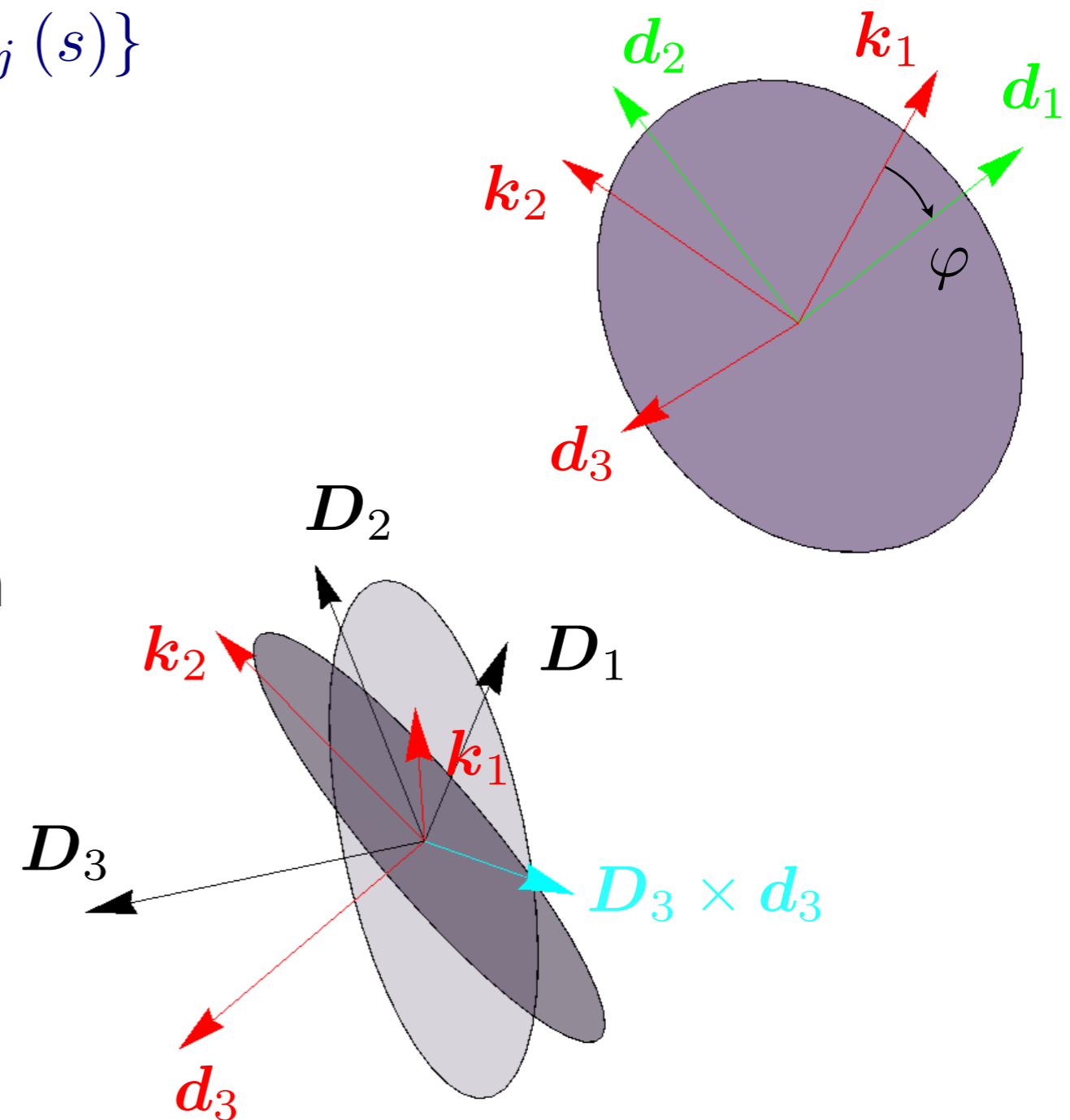
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# Numerical Implementation

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- Mixed order nonlinear BVP

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$$B_i [S_i; \alpha, \varphi, \Delta, \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{U}] = 0, \quad S_i \in [S_a, S_b], \quad i = 1, \dots, 11$$

- Numerical solution: collocation method (Ascher et al., 1979)

$$\Delta^* \in \mathcal{P}_{k+3, \pi} \cap C^2 [S_a, S_b]$$

$$\varphi^* \in \mathcal{P}_{k+2, \pi} \cap C^1 [S_a, S_b]$$

$$\mathbf{F}^* \in \mathcal{P}_{k+1, \pi} \cap C^0 [S_a, S_b]$$

where  $k \geq 3$  is the number of collocation points per subinterval and  $\mathcal{P}_{n, \pi}$  is the set of all piecewise polynomial functions ( $B$ -splines) of order  $n$

# Continuous Contact

- Eccentricity vector  $\Delta (S)$

- Magnitude  $\|\Delta\| = c$  (known)

$$\Delta_1 (S) = c \cos \beta$$

$$\Delta_2 (S) = c \sin \beta$$

- Direction

$$\beta (S) = \arctan \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta_1} \quad (\text{unknown})$$

- Contact pressure  $\mathbf{p} (S)$

- Magnitude  $\|\mathbf{p}\| = p$  (unknown)

- Direction (no friction)

$$\Delta \times \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad (\text{known})$$

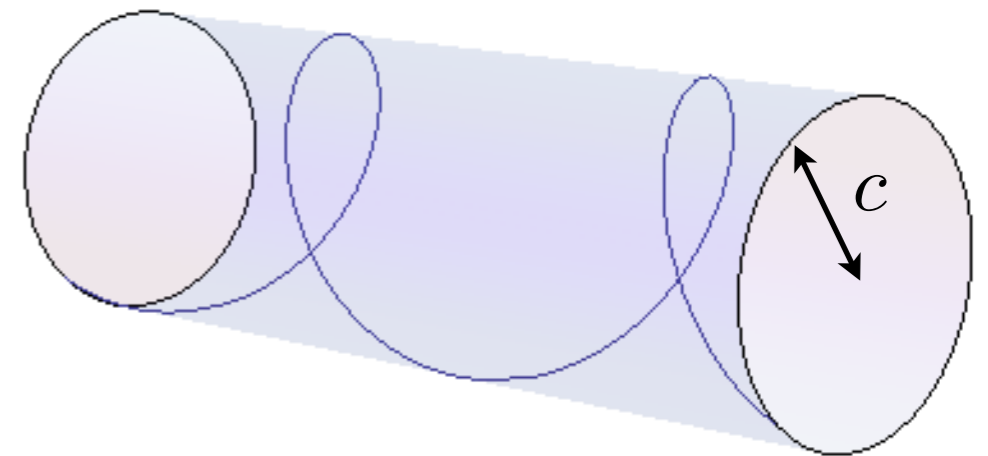
- Modified BVP (differential algebraic system)

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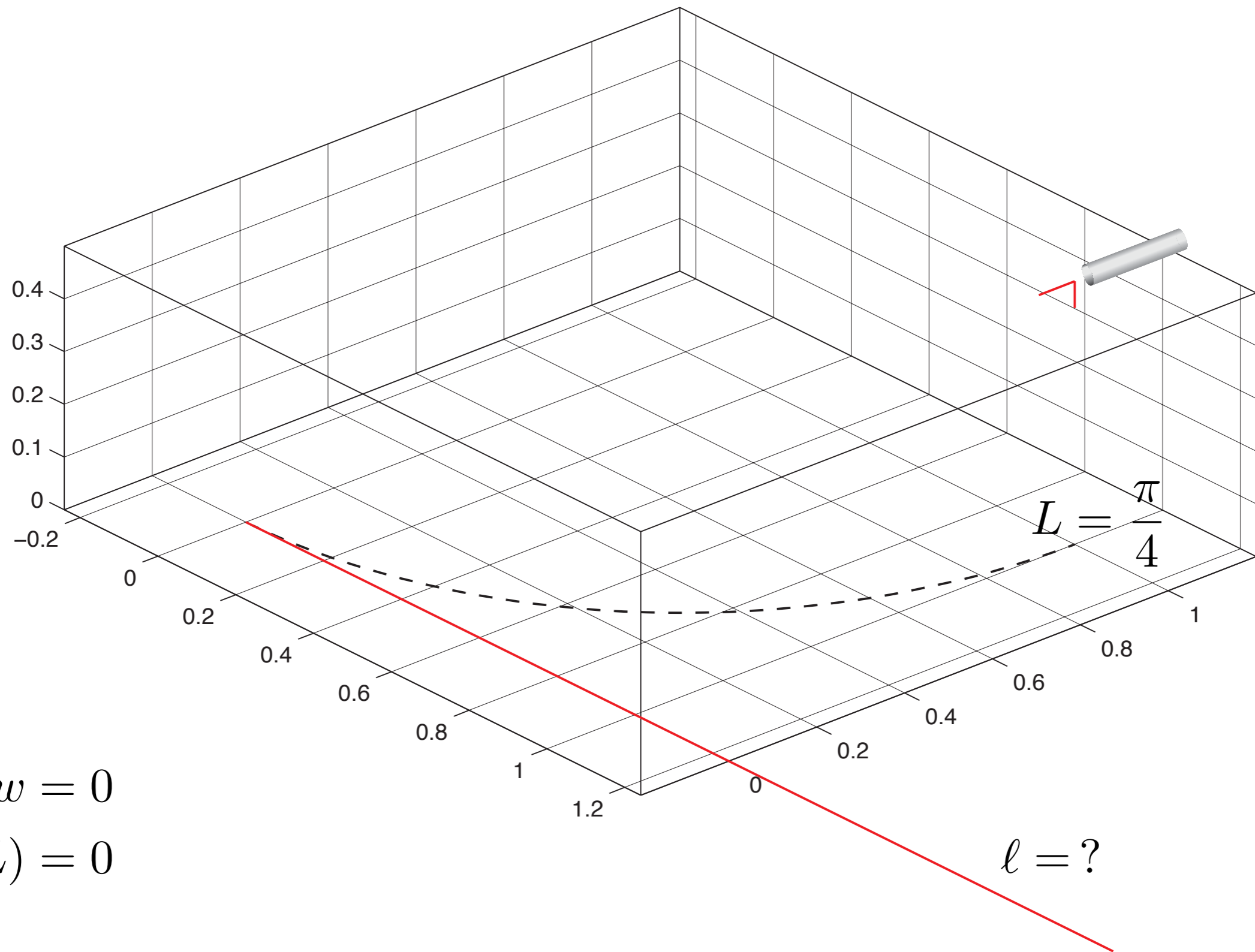
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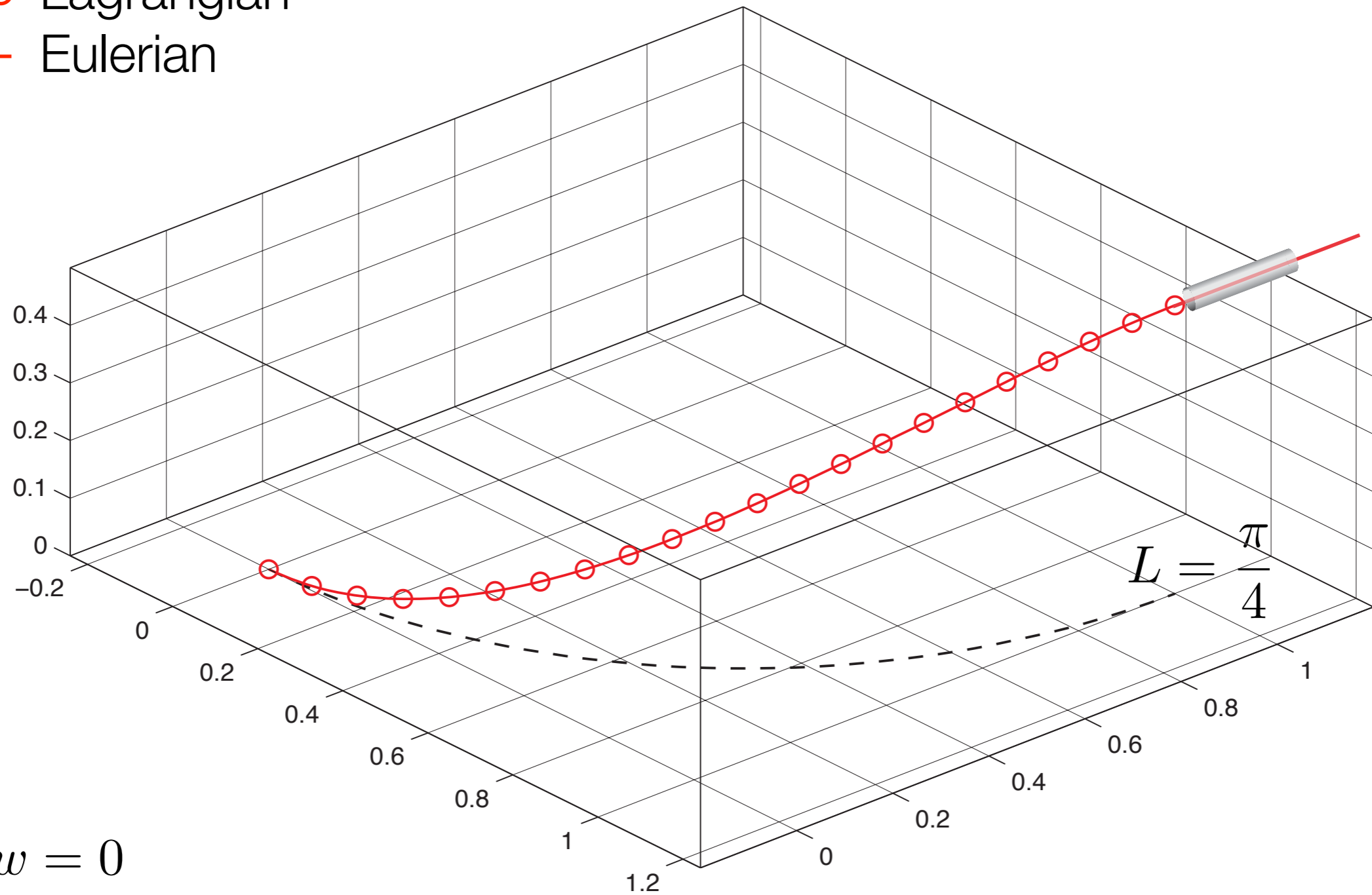


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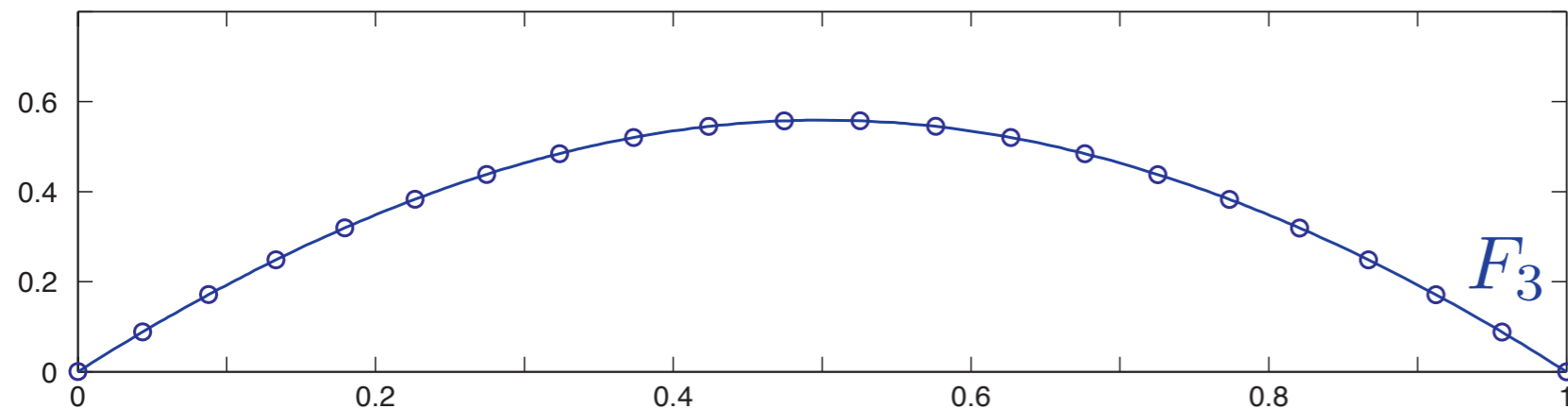
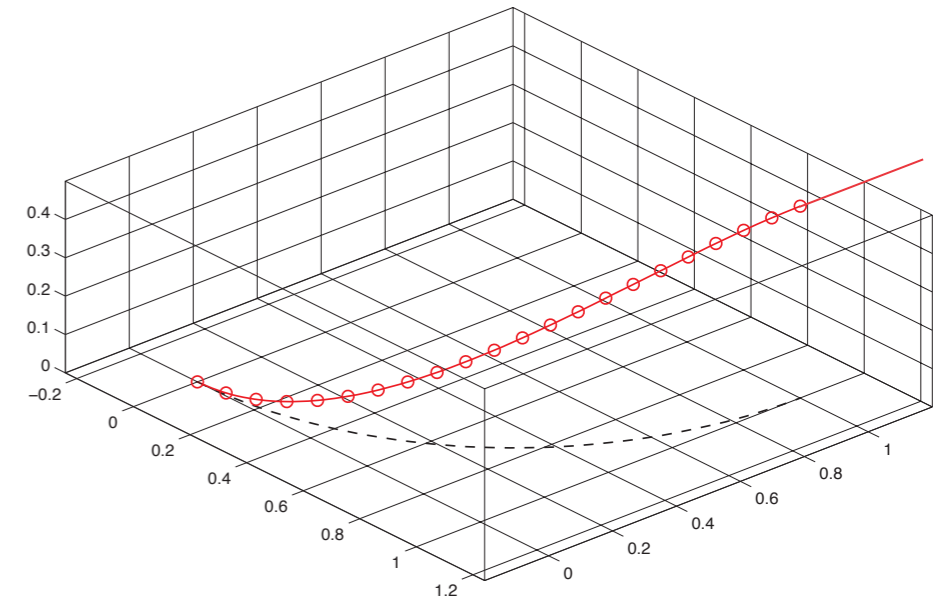
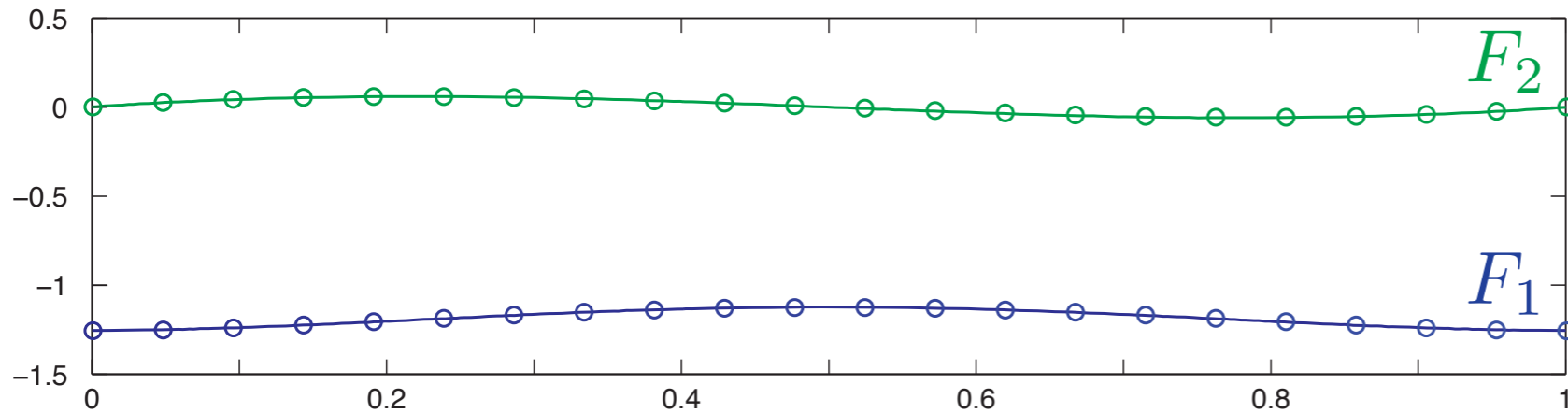
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- Eulerian



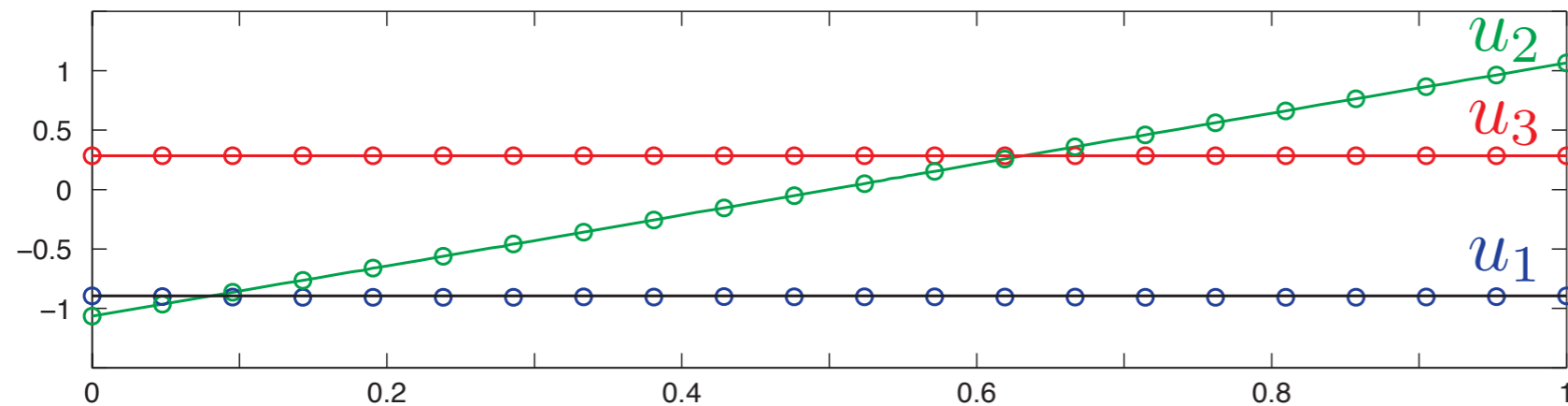
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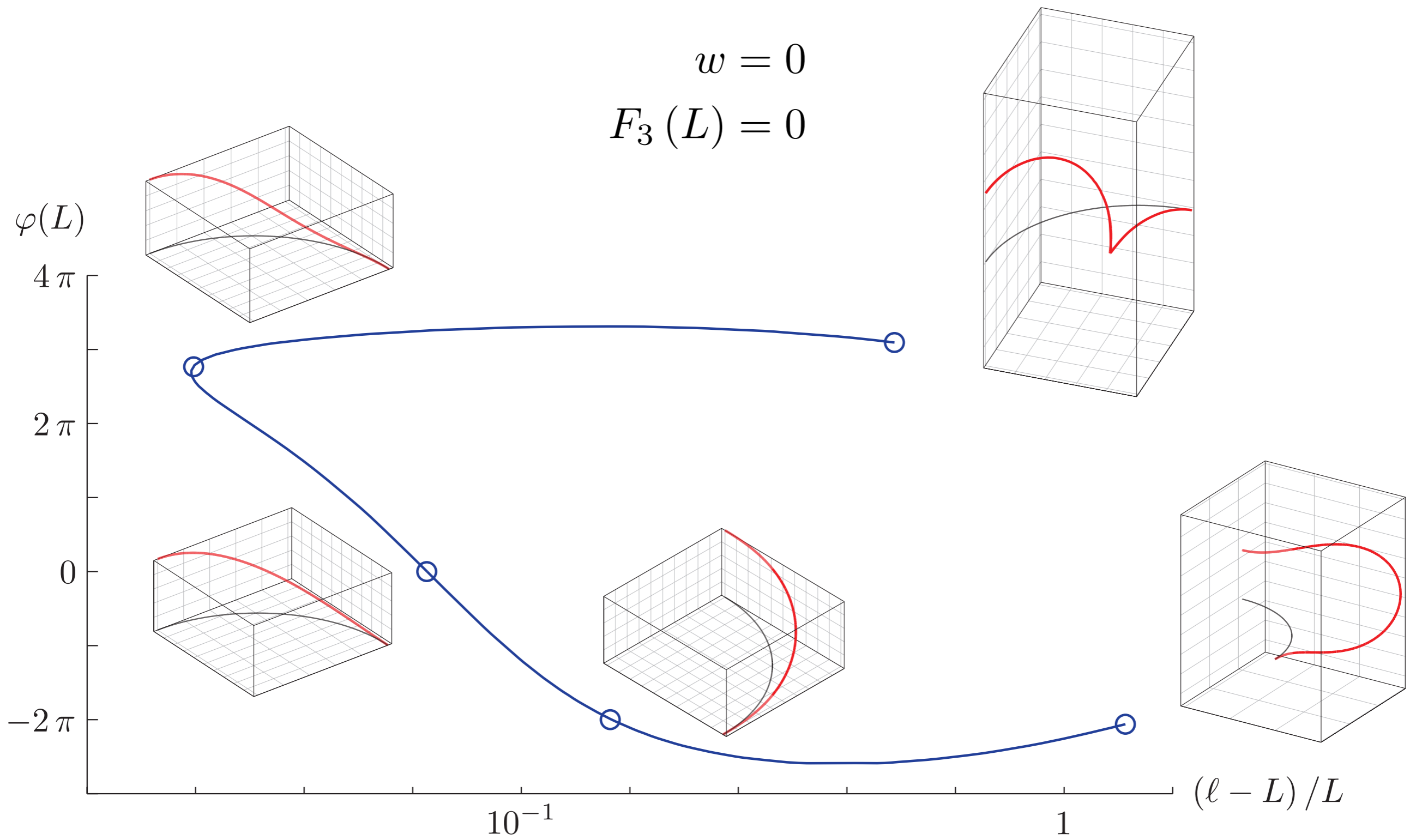
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Eulerian	~ 0.1 sec
Lagrangian	~ 5 sec

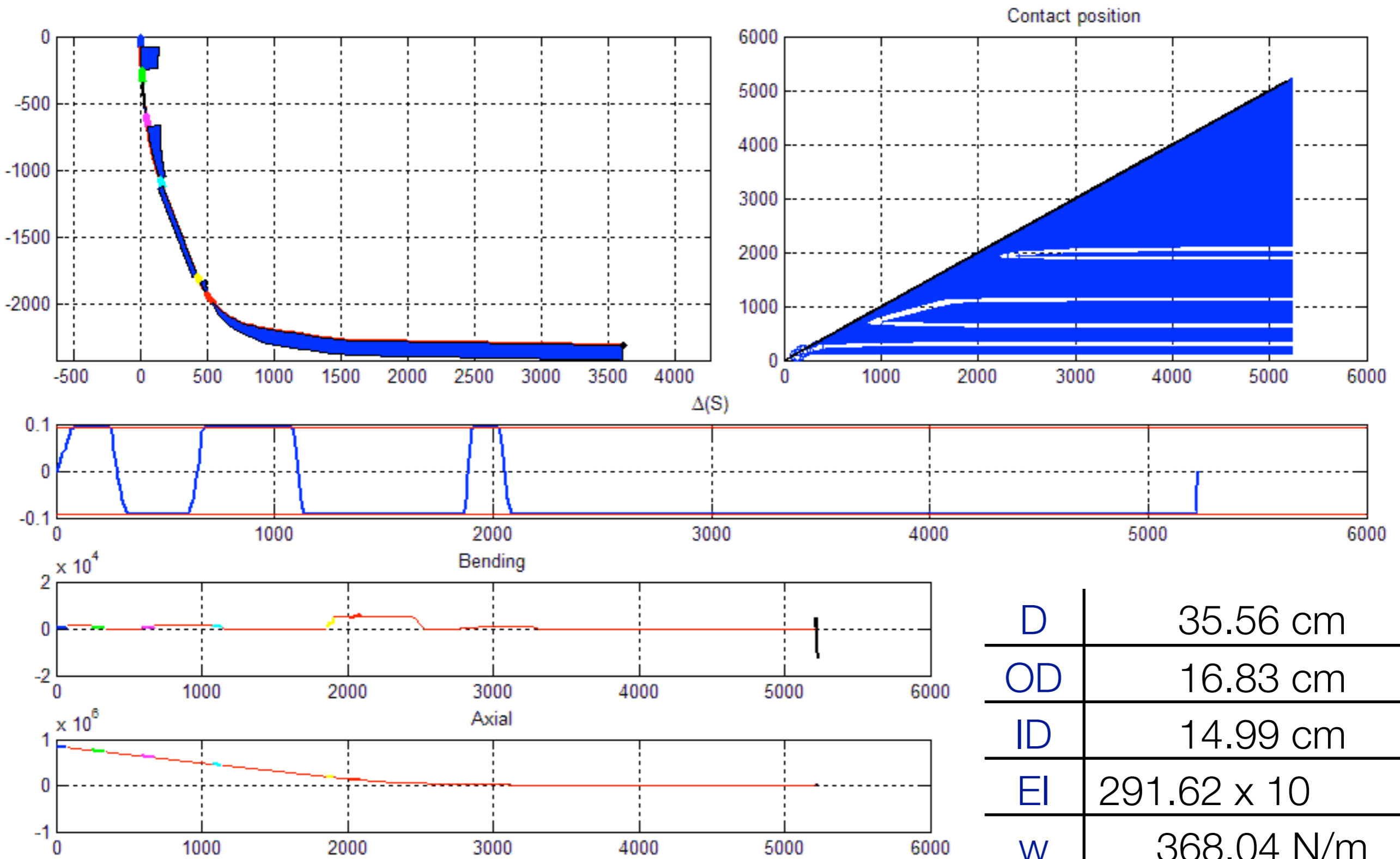


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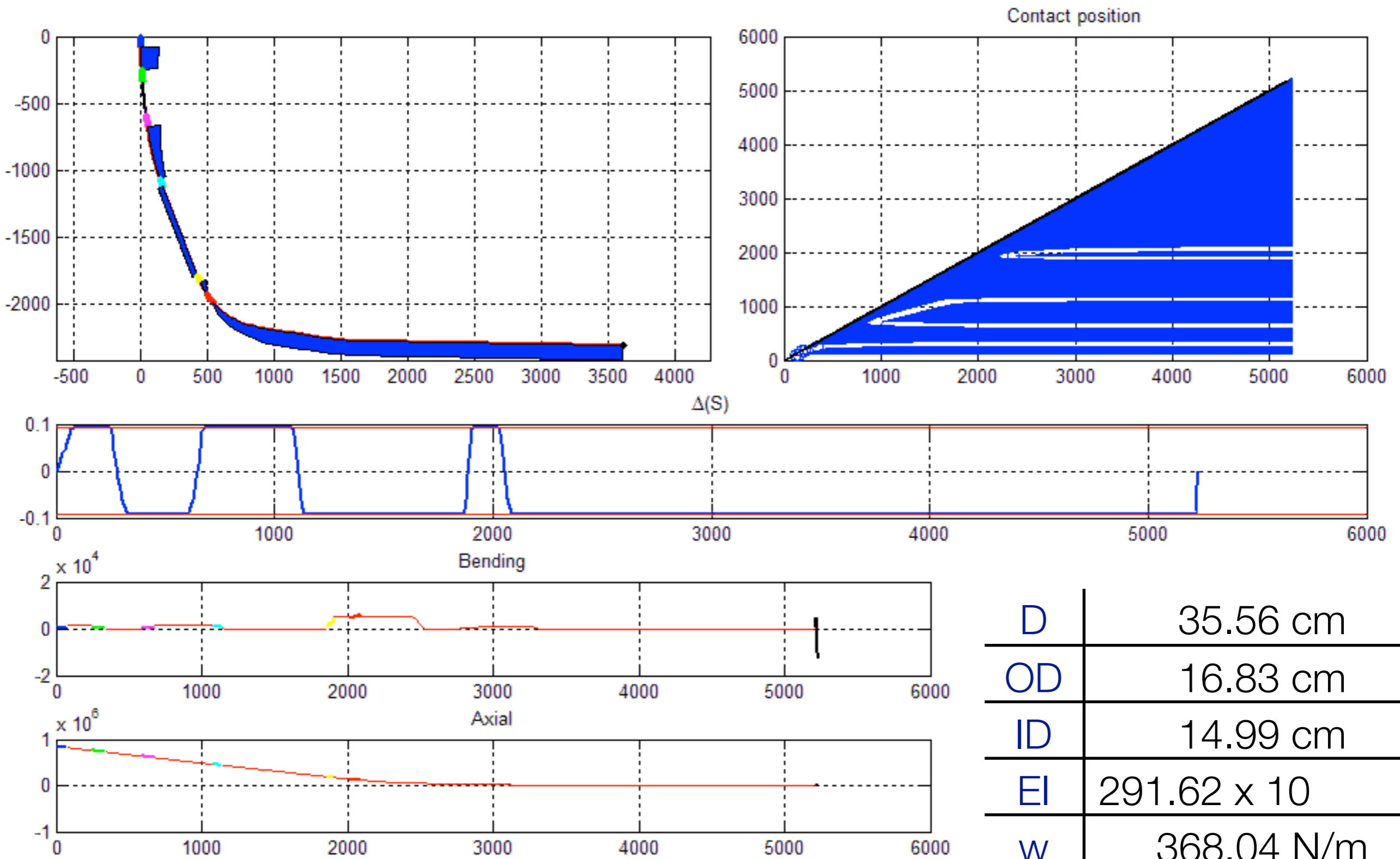


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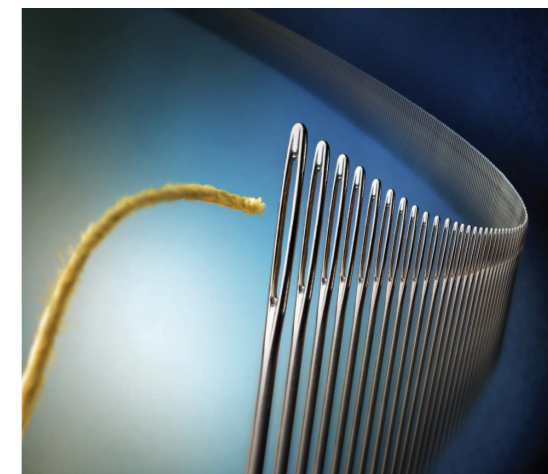


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# Conclusion

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- 3-D reformulation of the problem within the Eulerian formalism
  - Introduction of the eccentricity vector  $\Delta (S)$
  - Description of the rod deformed configuration with respect to a reference curve
  - Fields seen as functions of the curvilinear coordinate associated to a reference curve
- Suppression of the integrals constraints (isoperimetric)
- Improvement of the governing equations conditioning
- Constrained problem
  - Simplification of the contact detection
  - Disregard parasitic solutions with curling
  - Applicable to the continuous contact problem



Thank you

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