

# On kinematics and differential geometry of Euclidean submanifolds

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**Abstract.** In this study, we derive the equations of a motion model of two smooth homothetic along pole curves submanifolds  $M$  and  $N$ ; the curves are trajectories of instantaneous rotation centers at the contact points of these submanifolds. We comment on the homothetic motions, which assume sliding and rolling.

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## §1. Preliminaries

In ([7]), R.Müller has generalized 1-parameter motions in  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space given the equation of the form  $Y = AX + C$ , and has investigated the so-called axoid surfaces. Further, K. Nomizu has defined ([8]) the 1-parameter motion model along the pole curves on the tangent plane of the sphere, by using parallel vector fields, and has obtained results in the particular cases of sliding and rolling. Then, H.H.Hacısalihođlu has the investigated 1-parameter homothetic motion in the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space ([4]), and B. Karakaş has adapted K. Nomizu's kinematic model to homothetic motion, defining as well parallel vector fields along curves ([5]).

In this study, we define the kinematic model of smooth submanifolds  $M$  and  $N$  using arbitrary orthonormal frames along the pole curves and obtain the equations of this homothetic motion which assume both rolling and sliding of  $M$  upon  $N$  along these curves. Further, we obtain the equations of homothetic motion of  $M$  on  $N$  for two given arbitrary curves on  $M$  and  $N$  respectively, assuming that these curves are pole curves.

## §2. Introduction

We shall use hereafter the definitions and notations from ([5]). The *homothetic motion* of smooth submanifolds  $M$  onto  $N$  in Euclidean 3-space is generated by the transformation

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} F : M &\rightarrow N \\ X(t) &\rightarrow Y(t) = hAX(t) + C \end{aligned} ,$$

where  $A$  is a proper orthogonal  $3 \times 3$  matrix,  $X$  and  $C$  are  $3 \times 1$  vectors and  $h \neq 0$  is homothetic scale. The entries of  $A$ ,  $C$  and  $h$  are continuously differentiable functions of the time  $t$ , the entries of  $X$  are the coordinates of a point on  $M$  in Euclidean coordinates  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ , and  $Y$  is a trajectory of  $X$ . We take  $B$  as  $hA$ , and by differentiating (2.1), we obtain

$$(2.2) \quad \frac{dY}{dt} = B \frac{dX}{dt} + \frac{dB}{dt} X + \frac{dC}{dt} ,$$

where

$$\frac{dB}{dt} X + \frac{dC}{dt} , \quad B \frac{dX}{dt} , \quad \frac{dY}{dt}$$

are respectively called *sliding velocity*, *relative velocity* and *absolute velocity* of the point  $X$ . As well, we call  $X$  *center of instantaneous rotation* if its sliding velocity vanishes. If  $X$  is the center of an instantaneous rotation, then  $X$  is a pole point at the time  $t$  of the motion  $F$  given in (2.1). Since  $\det(\frac{dB}{dt}) \neq 0$ , then every homothetic motion in  $E^3$  is a regular motion. Consider a regular curve  $X(t)$  on  $M$ , which is defined on a closed interval  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ , such that all its points are pole points. In this case, we call the curves

$$X(t) = - \left( \frac{dB}{dt} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{dC}{dt} \right)$$

and

$$Y(t) = -B \left( \frac{dB}{dt} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{dC}{dt} \right) + C$$

*moving* and *fixed pole curves*, respectively, where the matrix  $B \left( \frac{dB}{dt} \right)^{-1}$  is described by

$$-B \left( \frac{dB}{dt} \right)^{-1} = \left( \frac{dh}{dt} A + h \frac{dA}{dt} \right) h^{-1} A^{-1} = \underbrace{\frac{dh}{dt} \cdot h^{-1} I_3}_{\varphi} + \underbrace{\frac{dA}{dt} \cdot A^{-1}}_S$$

We call  $\varphi$  and  $S$  the *sliding part* and *the rolling part of the motion*  $F$ , respectively. Every homothetic motion in  $E^3$  consists of both sliding and rolling. For  $S \neq 0$ , there is a uniquely determined vector  $W(t)$  such that  $S(U)$  equal to the cross product  $W(t) \wedge U$  for every vector  $U \in IR^3$ . The vector  $W(t)$  is called the angular velocity of the point  $X(t)$  at the moment  $t$  ([8]).

### §3. Sliding and rolling of $M$ onto $N$

We consider further two smooth manifolds  $M$  and  $N$  which are tangent (inside or outside) each other and the curves  $X(t)$  on  $M$  and  $Y(t)$  on  $N$  as moving and fixed regular pole curves. Let  $\Sigma$  be the common tangent plane of  $M$  and  $N$  (tangent to  $X(t)$  and to  $Y(t)$ ) at the contact point  $p$ . We consider a Cartesian coordinate system in  $E^3$  and let  $\{e_1 = (1, 0, 0), e_2 = (0, 1, 0), e_3 = (0, 0, 1)\}$  be the canonic unit basis. We denote by  $\xi = \xi(t)$  and  $\eta = \eta(t)$  the normal vector fields of  $M$  and  $N$  along the curves  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$ , respectively. In addition, we denote by  $\{T, N, B\}$  and by  $\{\bar{T}, \bar{N}, \bar{B}\}$

the Frenet vector fields of the curves  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$ , respectively, (tangent, principal normal and binormal vector fields). Since the homothetic motion  $F : M \rightarrow N$  consists of rolling, then  $W(t)$  lies in the tangent plane of both  $X(t)$  of  $M$  and  $Y(t)$  of  $N$  at each contact point ([5]), where we have  $B\xi = \epsilon h\eta$ . Here by  $\epsilon$  we denoted the sign function such that if  $\epsilon = +1$  then  $M$  moves inside of  $N$  along pole curves, and if  $\epsilon = -1$  then  $M$  moves outside of  $N$  along pole curves.

Assume that  $\{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $\{a_1, a_2\}$  are orthonormal systems along the regular pole curves  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$ , and let  $b_1, b_2$  and  $a_1, a_2$  transforms into each another via  $b_1 = hB^{-1}a_1$  and  $b_2 = hB^{-1}a_2$ , respectively. Thus we call  $\{b_1, b_2, \xi\}$  and  $\{a_1, a_2, \eta\}$  moving and fixed orthonormal systems along the curves  $(X) = X(t)$  and  $(Y) = Y(t)$ , respectively. Since  $(X)$  is the pole curve, we can write the equation  $\frac{dY}{dt} = B\frac{dX}{dt}$  by using (2.2). If  $t$  is the arc-length parameter for the curve  $(X)$ , then we can write  $\frac{dY}{dt} = hAT$  and we have the following equations

$$h = \left\| \frac{dY}{dt} \right\|, \quad \bar{T} = \frac{1}{h} \frac{dY}{dt}$$

Since  $\xi \in Sp\{N, B\}$ , then we can write

$$(3.3) \quad \xi(t) = \cos \psi(t)N + \sin \psi(t)B$$

and we need to construct the frames  $\{b_1, b_2, X\}$  and  $\{a_1, a_2, e_3\}$  in order to determine the orthogonal matrix  $A$  and to set up the kinematic model. During this process, we make use of the frames  $\{T, \xi \wedge T, \xi\}$  and  $\{\bar{T}, \eta \wedge \bar{T}, \eta\}$ , which are called *Darboux frames* along  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$  on  $M$  and  $N$ , respectively. We can find an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  by using (3.3) and

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{pmatrix} T \\ \xi \wedge T \\ \xi \end{pmatrix} = (Q) \begin{pmatrix} T \\ N \\ B \end{pmatrix}.$$

It is well known that if the system  $\{T, N, B\}$  rotates relative to  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ , then we can write for  $P \in SO(3)$  the relations

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{pmatrix} T \\ N \\ B \end{pmatrix} = (P) \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The tangent spaces  $Sp\{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $Sp\{T, \xi \wedge T\}$  coincide with  $\Sigma$ , and hence we have

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \xi \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_R \begin{pmatrix} T \\ \xi \wedge T \\ \xi \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\theta = \theta(t)$  is the angle between  $b_1$  and  $T$  ( $b_2$  and  $\xi \wedge T$ ). We obtain the orthogonal matrix  $A_1 = (P)^T [Q]^T [R]^T$  by using (3.4)-(3.6). The matrix  $A_1$  transforms  $b_1$  to  $e_1$ ,  $b_2$  to  $e_2$  and  $\xi$  to  $e_3$ , respectively. On the other hand, we denote the skew symmetric matrix  $\frac{dA_1^T}{dt} A_1$  as  $w_1$ , so that  $w_1$  will be given by

$$(3.7) \quad w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \theta' + k_1 \sin \psi & m_1 \\ -\theta' - k_1 \sin \psi & 0 & m_2 \\ -m_1 & -m_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $k_1 = k_1(t)$  and  $k_2 = k_2(t)$  are the curvature and torsion of the pole curve  $(X)$  respectively, and

$$m_1 = \epsilon k_1 \cos \theta \cos \psi + (k_2 + \psi') \sin \theta, \quad m_2 = -\epsilon k_1 \sin \theta \cos \psi - (k_2 + \psi') \cos \theta.$$

Thus we have the following

**Proposition 1.** *The vector fields  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  are parallel according to the connection of  $M$  along the curve  $(X)$  if and only if  $\theta' + k_1 \sin \psi = 0$  is satisfied.*

*Proof.* Let  $\bar{\nabla}$  be the Levi Civita connection and  $S_M$  be the shape operator of  $M$ . We obtain  $b_1$  by using (3.4) and (3.5),

$$b_1 = \cos \theta T + \sin \theta \sin \psi N - \sin \theta \cos \psi B$$

and from the Gauss equation, we have

$$\bar{\nabla}_T b_1 = \nabla_T b_1 + \langle S_M(T), b_1 \rangle \xi,$$

and after routine calculations, we obtain

$$\bar{\nabla}_T b_1 = -(\theta' + k_1 \sin \psi) \cdot (\sin \theta T - \sin \psi \cos \theta N + \cos \psi \cos \theta B).$$

It is easy to see that  $\bar{\nabla}_T b_1 = 0$  if and only if  $\theta' + k_1 \sin \psi = 0$ . Hence,  $b_1$  is a parallel vector field relative to the connection of  $M$  along the curve  $(X)$  if and only if  $\theta' + k_1 \sin \psi = 0$  is satisfied. Similarly, we can easily prove that  $b_2$  is a parallel vector field relative to the connection of  $M$  along the curve  $(X)$  if and only if  $\theta' + k_1 \sin \psi = 0$  is satisfied, as well.  $\blacksquare$

On the other hand, since  $\eta \in Sp\{\bar{N}, \bar{B}\}$  then we have

$$(3.8) \quad \eta(t) = \cos \bar{\psi}(t) \bar{N} + \sin \bar{\psi}(t) \bar{B}$$

thus we can find an orthogonal matrix  $\bar{Q}$  by using (3.8) such that

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{T} \\ \eta \wedge \bar{T} \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = (\bar{Q}) \begin{pmatrix} \bar{T} \\ \bar{N} \\ \bar{B} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $\{\bar{T}, \bar{N}, \bar{B}\}$  rotates according to the orthonormal basis  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ , we obtain  $\bar{P} \in SO(3)$  as follows

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{T} \\ \bar{N} \\ \bar{B} \end{pmatrix} = [\bar{P}] \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and since  $Sp\{a_1, a_2\}$  and  $Sp\{\bar{T}, \eta \wedge \bar{T}\}$  coincide with  $\Sigma$ , we infer

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \cos \bar{\theta} & \sin \bar{\theta} & 0 \\ -\sin \bar{\theta} & \cos \bar{\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\bar{R}} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{T} \\ \eta \wedge \bar{T} \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\bar{\theta} = \bar{\theta}(t)$  is the angle between  $a_1$  and  $\bar{T}$ , ( $a_2$  and  $\eta \wedge T$ ). Thus we obtain another orthogonal matrix  $A_2 = (\bar{P})^T(\bar{Q})^T(\bar{R})^T$  by using (3.9)-(3.11) such that the matrix  $A_2$  transforms  $a_1, a_2, \eta$  into  $e_1, e_2, e_3$ , respectively. We denote the skew symmetric matrix  $\frac{dA_2^T}{dt}A_2$  as  $w_2$ , which has the form

$$(3.12) \quad w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\psi} & \begin{Bmatrix} \bar{k}_1 \cos \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} + \\ (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \sin \bar{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} \\ -\bar{\theta}' - \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\psi} & 0 & -\begin{Bmatrix} \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} - \\ (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \cos \bar{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} \\ -\begin{Bmatrix} \bar{k}_1 \cos \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} + \\ (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \sin \bar{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} & \begin{Bmatrix} \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} - \\ (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \cos \bar{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\bar{k}_1 = \bar{k}_1(t)$  and  $\bar{k}_2 = \bar{k}_2(t)$  are curvature and torsion of the pole curve ( $Y$ ). Thus we have the following

**Proposition 2.** *The vector fields  $a_1(t)$  and  $a_2(t)$  are parallel according to the connection of  $N$  along curve ( $Y$ ) if and only if  $\bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\psi} = 0$  is satisfied.*

*Proof.* It is easy to proof similarly remark 1. ■

Therefore, we can find the main matrix  $A$  of the motion (2.1) by using  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  as  $A = A_2 A_1^T$  so that  $A$  transforms  $b_1$  to  $a_1$ ,  $b_2$  to  $a_2$  and  $\xi$  to  $\epsilon \eta$ , respectively. The skew-symmetric matrix  $S = \frac{dA}{dt}A^T$  is instantaneous rotation matrix and  $S$  represents a linear isomorphism as  $S : T_{Y(t)}N \longrightarrow Sp\{\eta\}$ . We obtain the matrix  $S$  by using (3.7) and (3.12) as  $S = A_2(-w_2 + w_1)A_2^T$ . Consequently, the matrix  $S$  determines an unique vector  $w_p \in Sp\{a_1, a_2, \eta\}$  as follows.

$$(3.13) \quad w_p = \begin{Bmatrix} -\bar{k}_1 \cos \bar{\psi} \sin \bar{\theta} + (\bar{\psi}' + \bar{k}_2) \cos \bar{\theta} + \\ \epsilon k_1 \cos \psi \sin \theta - \epsilon(\psi' + k_2) \cos \theta \end{Bmatrix} a_1|_p + \begin{Bmatrix} -\bar{k}_1 \cos \bar{\psi} \cos \bar{\theta} - (\bar{\psi}' + \bar{k}_2) \sin \bar{\theta} + \\ \epsilon k_1 \cos \psi \cos \theta + \epsilon(\psi' + k_2) \sin \theta \end{Bmatrix} a_2|_p - \begin{Bmatrix} \bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\psi} \\ -\theta' - k_1 \sin \psi \end{Bmatrix} \eta|_p$$

Thus, we obtained an important condition for the rolling part of the homothetic motion of smooth submanifolds in  $E^3$ , along regular pole curves. Hence we have proved the following

**Theorem 1.** *The transformation  $F$  is a rolling motion defined as  $Bb_1 = ha_1$ ,  $Bb_2 = ha_2$  and  $B\xi = \epsilon h\eta$  at the centers of instantaneous rotation if and only if  $\bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\psi} - \theta' - k_1 \sin \psi = 0$  is satisfied.*

Furthermore, we can specify this result to special cases:

**Corollary 1.** *a) If  $M$  is a manifold in  $E^3$  and  $N$  is a plane, then the angular velocity vector at the contact points will be*

$$w_p = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon k_1 \cos \psi \sin \theta - \\ \epsilon(\psi' + k_2) \cos \theta \end{array} \right\} a_{1|p} + \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon k_1 \cos \psi \cos \theta + \\ \epsilon(\psi' + k_2) \sin \theta \end{array} \right\} a_{2|p} - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 - \\ \theta' - k_1 \sin \psi \end{array} \right\} \eta|_p$$

In this case,  $F$  is a rolling motion if and only if  $\bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 - \theta' - k_1 \sin \psi = 0$  is satisfied.

b) If  $M$  is unit sphere and  $N$  is a plane then angular velocity vector at the contact points will be as follows,

$$w_p = \epsilon k_1 \cos \psi \sin \theta a_{1p} + \epsilon k_1 \cos \psi \cos \theta a_{2p} - \{\bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 - \theta' - k_1 \sin \psi\} \eta_p$$

In this case,  $F$  is a rolling motion if and only if  $\bar{\theta}' + \bar{k}_1 - \theta' - k_1 \sin \psi = 0$  is satisfied.

**Corollary 2.** a) In case that  $b_1(t)$ ,  $b_2(t)$  and  $a_1(t)$ ,  $a_2(t)$  are parallel vector fields along the pole curves, then we obtain all of the results in [5].

b) In case that  $b_1(t)$ ,  $b_2(t)$  and  $a_1(t)$ ,  $a_2(t)$  are parallel vector fields along the pole curves and  $h = 1$  then we obtain all of the results in [8].

c) If  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$  are geodesics of  $M$  and  $N$ , respectively, then  $M$  rolling on (or in)  $N$  along the pole curves.

As well, we can state the following

**Proposition 3.** Let  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$  be geodesics on  $M$  and  $N$  with the same curvatures and same torsions. Then  $M$  both slides and rolls on  $N$  or  $M$  slides without rolls inside of  $N$  along the pole curves.

*Proof.* Since  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$  are geodesics on  $M$  and  $N$  with same curvatures and torsions, then we take  $\theta = \bar{\theta} = \psi = \bar{\psi} = 0$ ,  $\bar{k}_1 = k_1 = \lambda$  and  $\bar{k}_2 = k_2 = \mu$ . Substituting in (3.13), we obtain

$$w_p = (1 - \epsilon) \{ \mu \bar{T}_p - \lambda (\eta \wedge \bar{T})_p \}$$

In the case  $\epsilon = -1$ , the vectors  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  are opposite at the contact point  $p$ , and thus  $w_p \neq 0$  and  $w_p$  is tangent to both  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$ . This means that  $M$  slides and rolls outside of  $N$  along the pole-geodesic curves. In the case  $\epsilon = 1$ , the vectors  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  have the same orientation at the contact points  $p$ , we infer  $w_p = 0$ , which means that  $M$  slides without rolling inside  $N$  along the pole-geodesic curves. ■

**Theorem 2.** Let  $M$  and  $N$  be two submanifolds and  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  be smooth pole curves on  $M$  and  $N$  respectively, which satisfy the conditions of Theorem 1, and which are tangent to each other at the contact points. Then we can find a unique homothetic motion  $F$  of  $M$  upon  $N$  along pole curves.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $S_M$  and  $S_N$  be the shape operators of  $M$  and  $N$  along the curves  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$ , respectively. If

$$h^{-1} S_M \left( \frac{dX}{dt} \right) = S_N \left( \frac{dY}{dt} \right),$$

then  $F$  is a sliding motion without rolling.

*Proof.* We can write the following equations along the curves  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$ , respectively.

$$S_M\left(\frac{dX}{dt}\right) = \frac{d\xi}{dt} \quad \text{and} \quad S_N\left(\frac{dY}{dt}\right) = \frac{d\eta}{dt}.$$

Differentiating (3.3) and using (3.6) we yield

$$\frac{d\epsilon\xi}{dt} = -\epsilon \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 \cos \theta \cos \psi \\ +(k_2 + \psi') \sin \theta \end{array} \right\} b_1 + \epsilon \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 \sin \theta \cos \psi \\ -(k_2 + \psi') \cos \theta \end{array} \right\} b_2$$

and since  $b_1 = hB^{-1}a_1$ ,  $b_2 = hB^{-1}a_2$  and  $\xi = \epsilon hB^{-1}\eta$ ,

$$h^{-1}B\left(\frac{d\epsilon\xi}{dt}\right) = -\epsilon \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 \cos \theta \cos \psi + \\ (k_2 + \psi') \sin \theta \end{array} \right\} a_1 + \epsilon \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k_1 \sin \theta \cos \psi - \\ (k_2 + \psi') \cos \theta \end{array} \right\} a_2,$$

we obtain by differentiating (3.8) and using (3.11),

$$\frac{d\eta}{dt} = - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{k}_1 \cos \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} + \\ (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \sin \bar{\theta} \end{array} \right\} a_1 + \left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} + \\ (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \cos \bar{\theta} \end{array} \right\} a_2$$

Since  $h^{-1}B\left(\frac{d\xi}{dt}\right) = \frac{d\eta}{dt}$ , we obtain

$$\epsilon \{k_1 \sin \theta \cos \psi - (k_2 + \psi') \cos \theta\} = \{-\bar{k}_1 \sin \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} + (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \cos \bar{\theta}\}$$

$$\epsilon \{k_1 \cos \theta \cos \psi + (k_2 + \psi') \sin \theta\} = \{\bar{k}_1 \cos \bar{\theta} \cos \bar{\psi} + (\bar{k}_2 + \bar{\psi}') \sin \bar{\theta}\}$$

Substituting these equations into (3.13), we obtain  $w_p = 0$ . Hence  $F$  is a sliding motion without rolling.  $\blacksquare$

**Proposition 4.** *If  $F$  is a sliding and rolling motion then the shape operators of  $M$  and  $N$  satisfy following inequality*

$$h^{-1}S_M\left(\frac{dX}{dt}\right) \neq S_N\left(\frac{dY}{dt}\right).$$

**Example 1.** Assume  $\epsilon = -1$ . Let  $X(t) = (\sin t, 0, \cos t)$ ,  $t \in [0, \pi]$  be a unit speed curve on the unit sphere  $\phi(u, v) = (\sin v \sin u, \sin v \cos u, \cos v)$  and  $Y(t) = (\sin t, -t, \cos t - 2)$  be a helix on the cylinder  $x^2 + (z + 2)^2 = 1$ . We obtain the unit normal vector fields of  $M$  and  $N$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\bar{\psi}$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $\bar{\theta}$  and the Frenet vector fields and curvatures of the curves  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  as follows

$$T = (\sin t, 0, -\cos t), \quad N = (-\sin t, 0, -\cos t), \quad B = (0, 1, 0)$$

$$k_1 = 1, \quad k_2 = 0, \quad \psi = \pi, \quad \xi(t) = (\sin t, 0, \cos t)$$

and

$$\bar{T} = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin t \right), \quad \bar{N} = (-\sin t, 0, -\cos t)$$

$$\bar{B} = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin t \right), \quad \eta(t) = -(\sin t, 0, \cos t)$$

$$\bar{k}_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \quad \bar{k}_2 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \quad \bar{\psi} = \pi$$

Since  $\|dY/dt\| = h$ , we find  $h = \sqrt{2}$  and we obtain  $\bar{\theta}(t) = \theta(t) = 0$  by using  $\frac{dY}{dt} = B \frac{dX}{dt}$ . Hence the motion will be described by

$$(3.14) \quad Y(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 t - \sqrt{2} \sin^2 t & \cos t & (1 + \sqrt{2}) \cos t \sin t \\ -\cos t & 1 & \sin t \\ -(1 + \sqrt{2}) \cos t \sin t & -\sin t & \sin^2 t - \sqrt{2} \cos^2 t \end{pmatrix} X(t) + \begin{pmatrix} (1 + \sqrt{2}) \sin t \\ -t \\ (1 + \sqrt{2}) \cos t - 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix  $S$  and the vector  $w_p$  are

$$(3.15) \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin t & 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin t & 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t \\ -1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad w_p = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cos t, 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \sin t \right)$$

Both  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$  satisfy (2.2), and these curves are the moving and the fixed pole curves of the motion (3.14), and the vector fields given in (3.7), (3.12) and (3.15) lie in the common tangent spaces  $T_{X(t)}(M)$  and  $T_{Y(t)}(N)$  at the contact points. In addition, since the vector  $w_p$  satisfies the condition given in Theorem 1, the motion (3.14) is a rolling motion. Since  $\epsilon = -1$ , then the unit sphere is rolling on the cylinder.

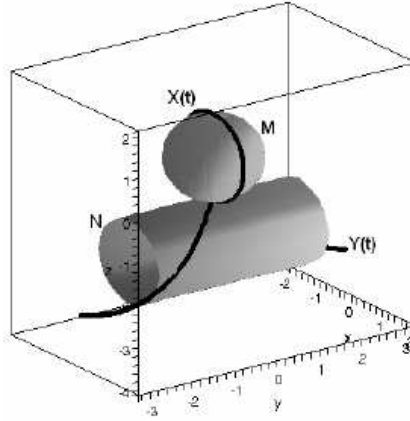


Figure 1: Unit sphere rolling on the cylinder along the curves  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$

**Example 2.** Assume  $\epsilon = 1$ . Let  $X(t) = (\sin t, 0, \cos t - 1)$ ,  $t \in [0, \pi]$  be a unit speed curve on the unit sphere  $\phi(u, v) = (\sin v \sin u, \sin v \cos u, \cos v - 1)$  and let  $Y(t) = (2 \sin t, -t, 2 \cos t - 2)$  be a helix on the cylinder  $x^2 + (z + 2)^2 = 4$ . We obtain the unit normal vector fields of  $M$  and  $N$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\bar{\psi}$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $\bar{\theta}$  and the Frenet vector fields and curvatures of the curves  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  as follows

$$T = (\sin t, 0, -\cos t), \quad N = (-\sin t, 0, -\cos t), \quad B = (0, 1, 0)$$



$$k_1 = 1, \quad k_2 = 0, \quad \psi = \pi, \quad \xi(t) = (\sin t, 0, \cos t)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{T} &= \left( \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5} \cos t, \frac{-\sqrt{5}}{5}, \frac{-2\sqrt{5}}{5} \sin t \right), \quad \bar{N} = (-\sin t, 0, -\cos t) \\ \bar{B} &= \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \cos t, \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}, \frac{-\sqrt{5}}{5} \sin t \right), \quad \eta(t) = (\sin t, 0, \cos t) \\ \bar{k}_1 &= \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}, \quad \bar{k}_2 = -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, \quad \bar{\psi} = \pi \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|dY/dt\| = h$ , we find  $h = \sqrt{2}$  and we obtain  $\bar{\theta}(t) = \theta(t) = 0$  by using  $\frac{dY}{dt} = B \frac{dX}{dt}$ . Hence the motion will be described by

$$(3.16) \quad Y(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \cos^2 t + \sqrt{5} \sin^2 t & \cos t & (\sqrt{5} - 2) \cos t \sin t \\ -\cos t & 2 & \sin t \\ (\sqrt{5} - 2) \cos t \sin t & -\sin t & 2 \sin^2 t + \sqrt{5} \cos^2 t \end{pmatrix} X(t) + \begin{pmatrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\frac{\sqrt{5}-2}{2}) \sin 2t + \\ (2 - \sqrt{5}) \sin t \end{array} \right\} \\ (\sin t - t) \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\frac{\sqrt{5}-2}{2})(\cos 2t + 1) \\ + (2 - \sqrt{5}) \cos t \end{array} \right\} \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix  $S$  and the vector  $w_p$  be as follows.

$$(3.17) \quad S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \sin t & 1 - \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5} \\ \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \sin t & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \cos t \\ -1 + \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5} & -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \cos t & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad w_p = \left( \frac{-\sqrt{5}}{5} \cos t, 1 - \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}, \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \sin t \right)$$

Both  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$  satisfy (2.2). Then these curves are the moving and the fixed pole curves of the motion (3.16) respectively, and the vector fields given in (3.7), (3.12) and (3.17) lie in the common tangent spaces  $T_{X(t)}(M)$  and  $T_{Y(t)}(N)$  at the contact points. Moreover, the vector  $w_p$  satisfies the condition given in Theorem 1, and thus the motion (3.16) is a rolling motion. Since  $\epsilon = 1$ , then the unit sphere is rolling in the cylinder.

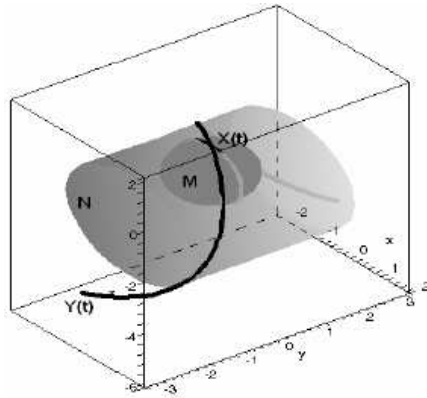


Figure 2: Unit sphere rolling in the cylinder along the curves  $(X)$  and  $(Y)$

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