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## ***Theory of Machines and Automatic Control***

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# Lecture 4

## Analytical method. Cam mechanisms.

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# Methods of velocities and accelerations determination

## Graphical methods

- velocity projection method,
- instantaneous center of rotation method,
- instantaneous center of acceleration method,
- method of rotated velocities,
- velocity decomposition method,
- acceleration decomposition method,
- velocity scheme (diagram) method,
- accelerations scheme (diagram) method.

## Analytical method

# Limitations of analytical method

Only for closed kinematic chains (both simple and complex).

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7. Solve the equations. The resulting functions describes motion of the mechanism.

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9. If desired informations was not obtained in p.8, differentiate equations from p.6. Sometimes rotation of the coordinate system is useful here.



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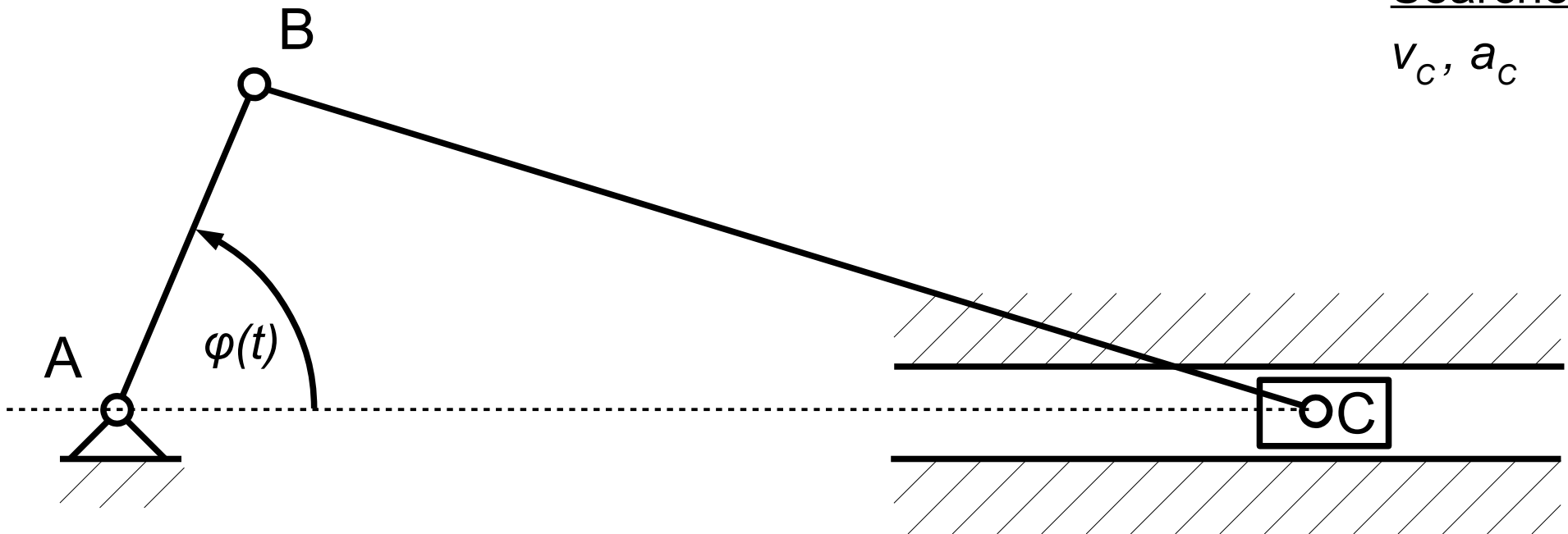
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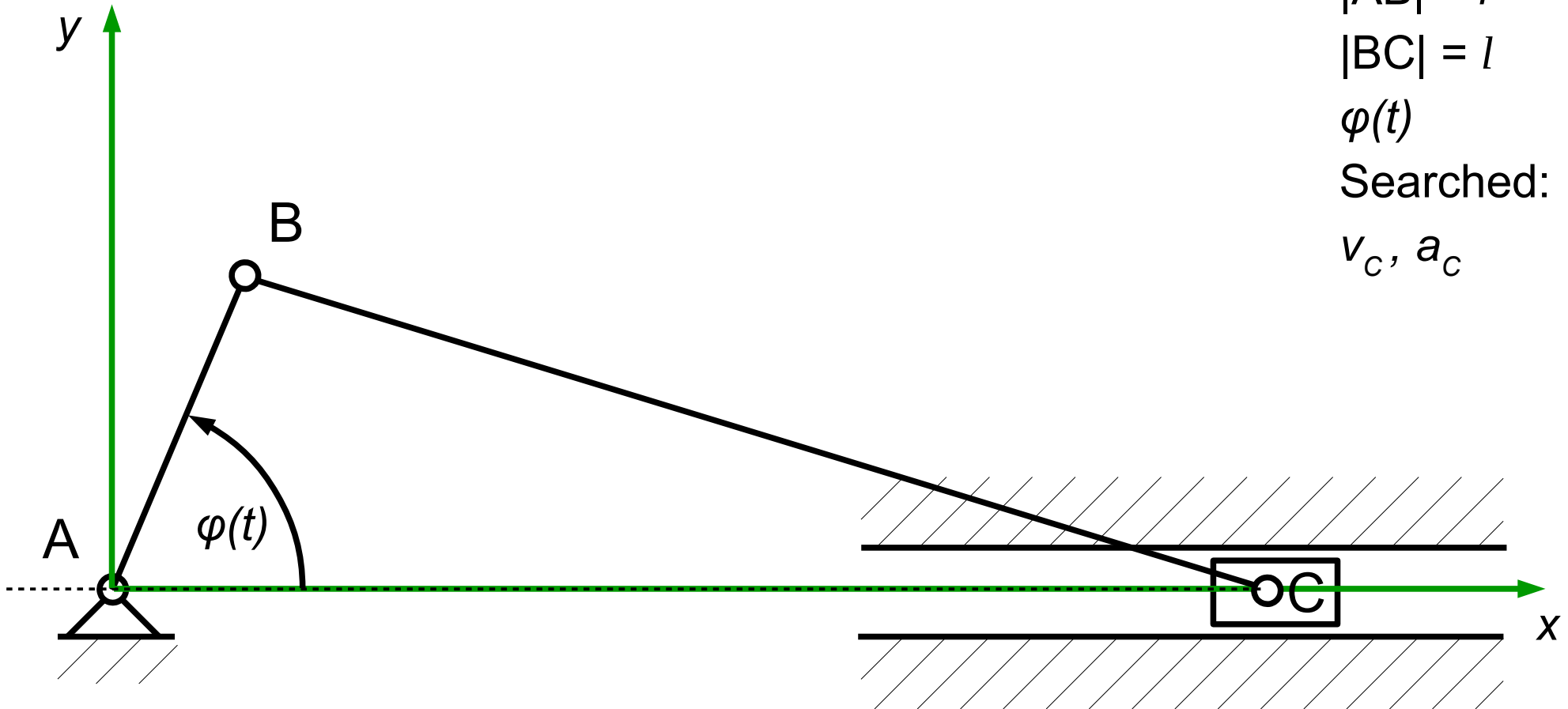
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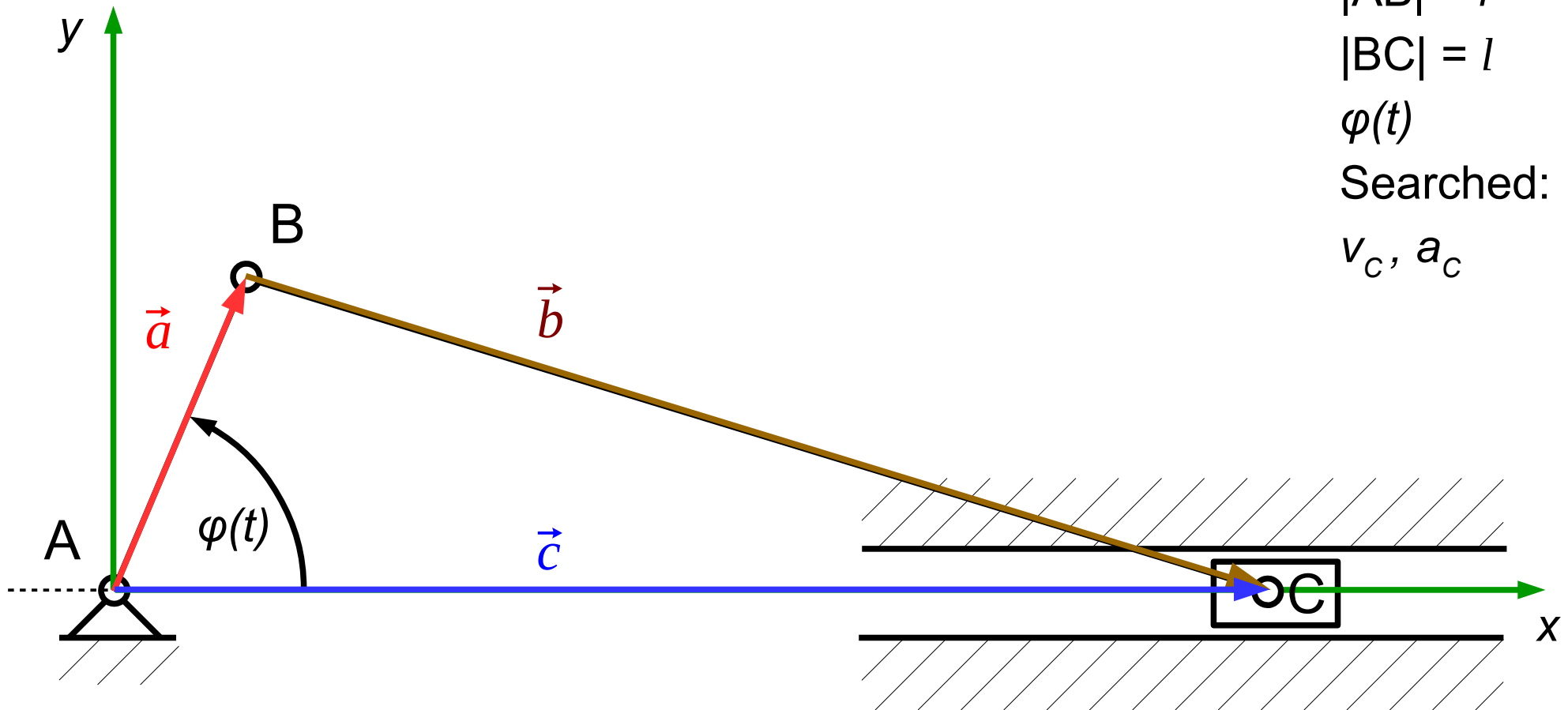
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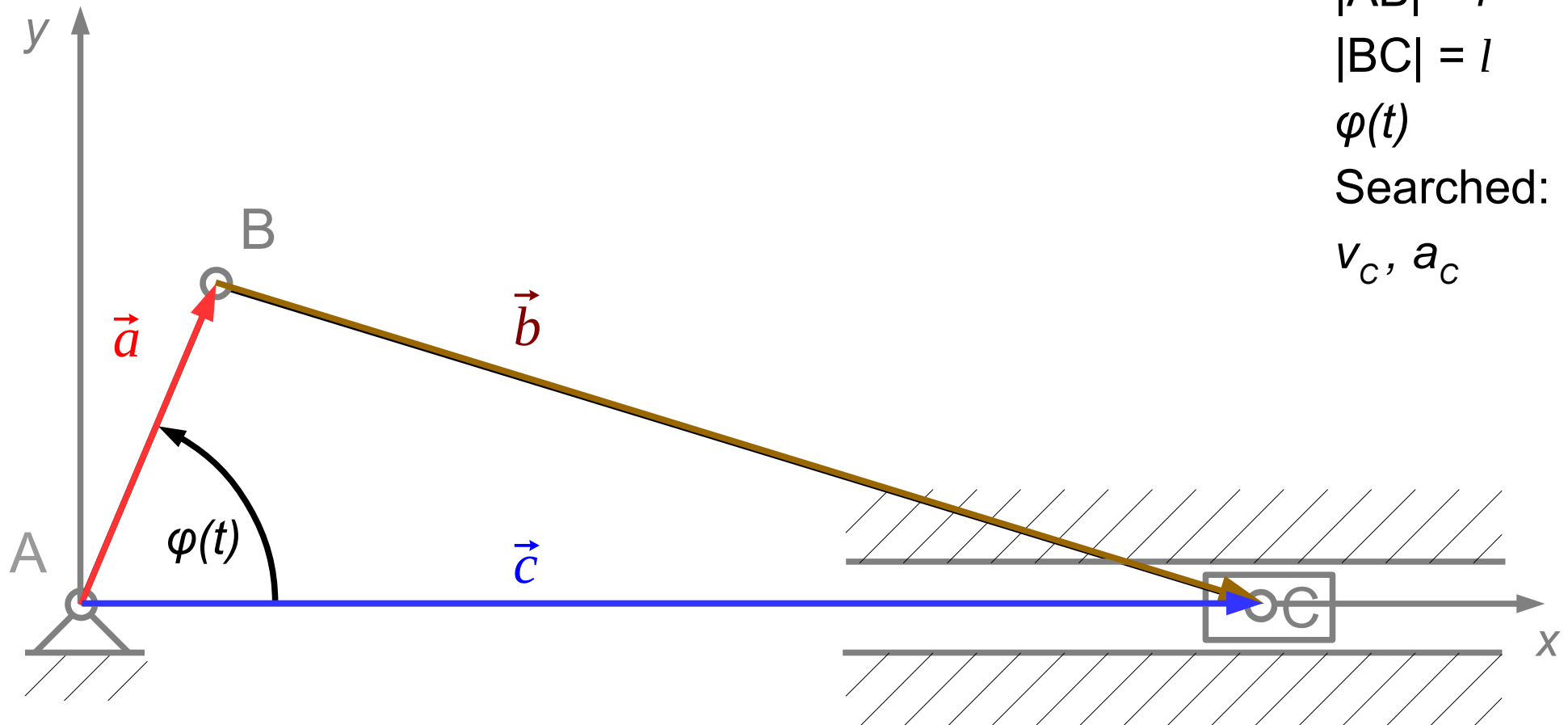
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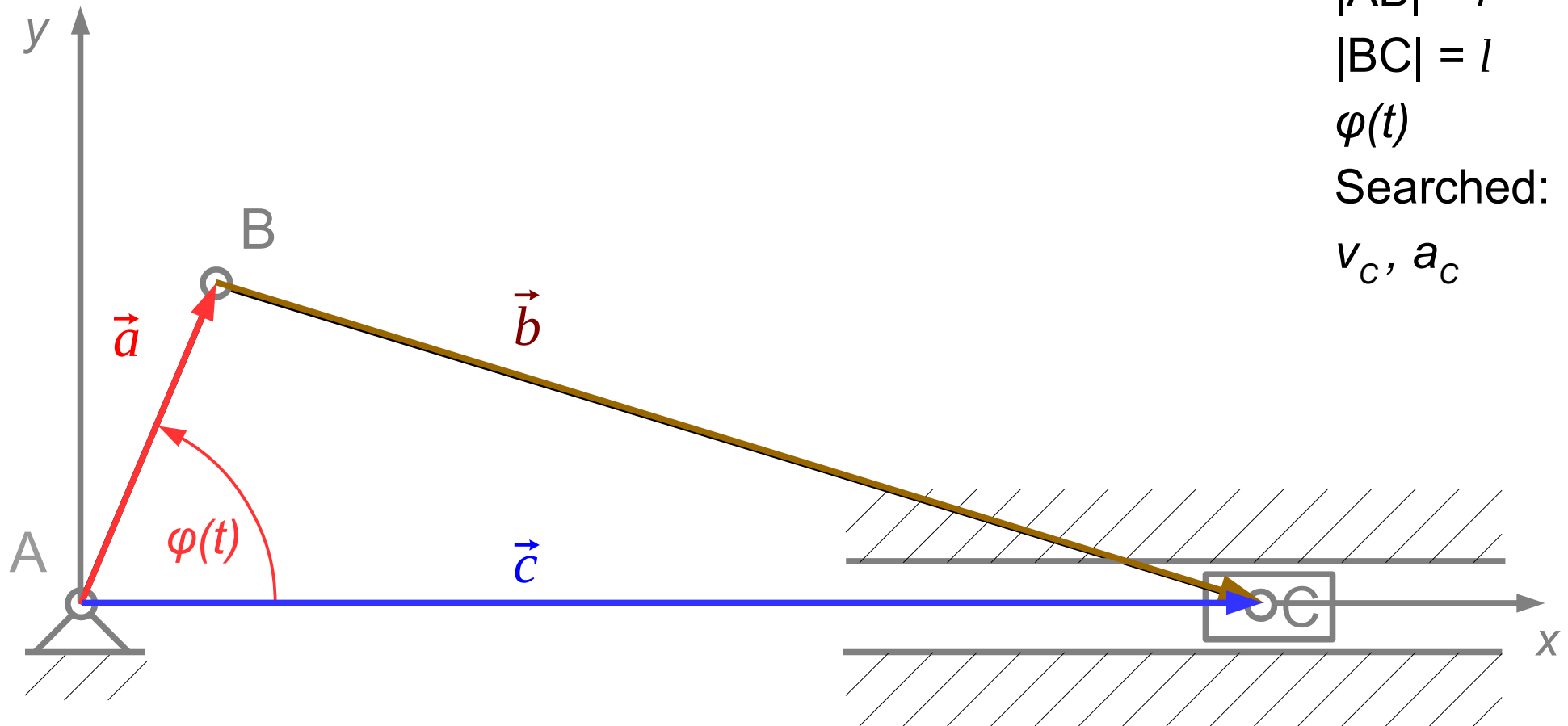
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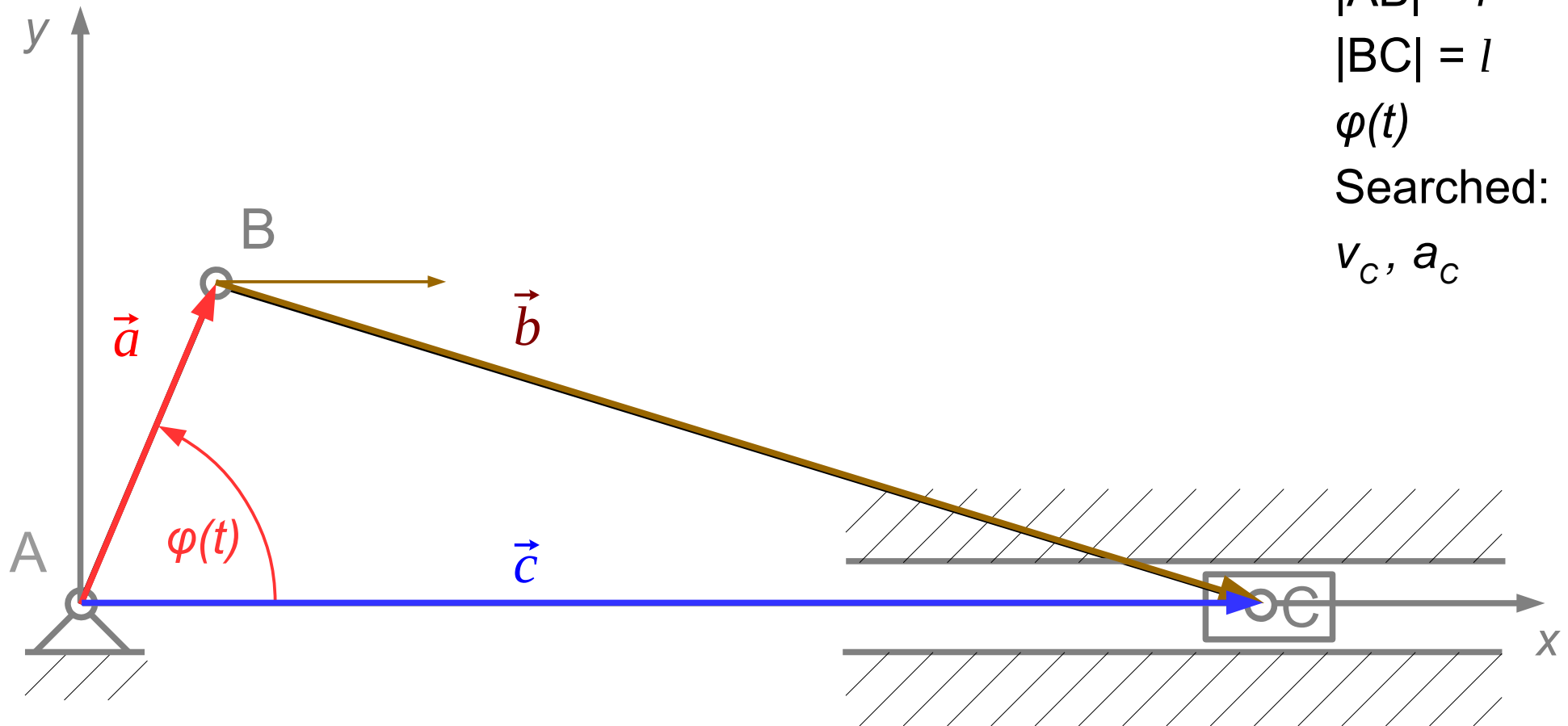
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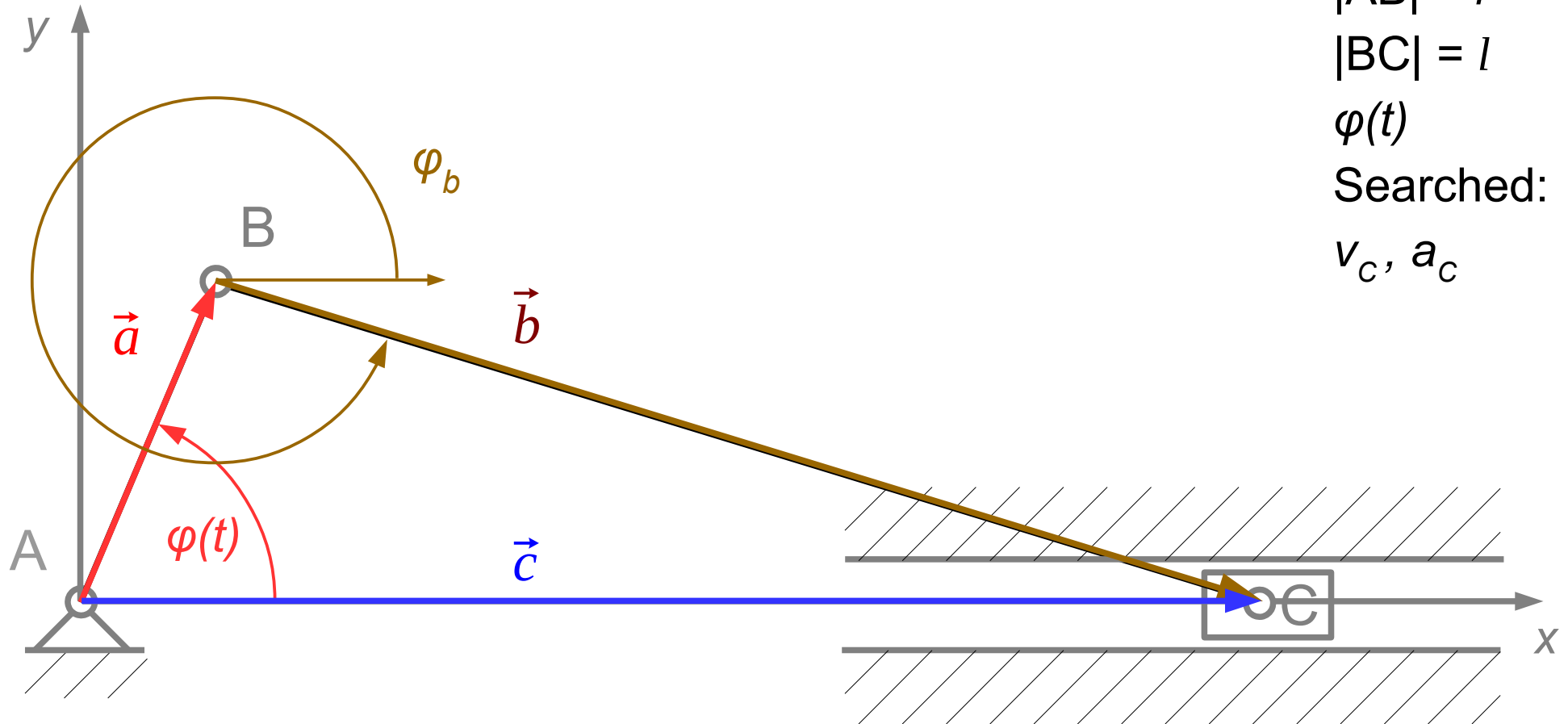
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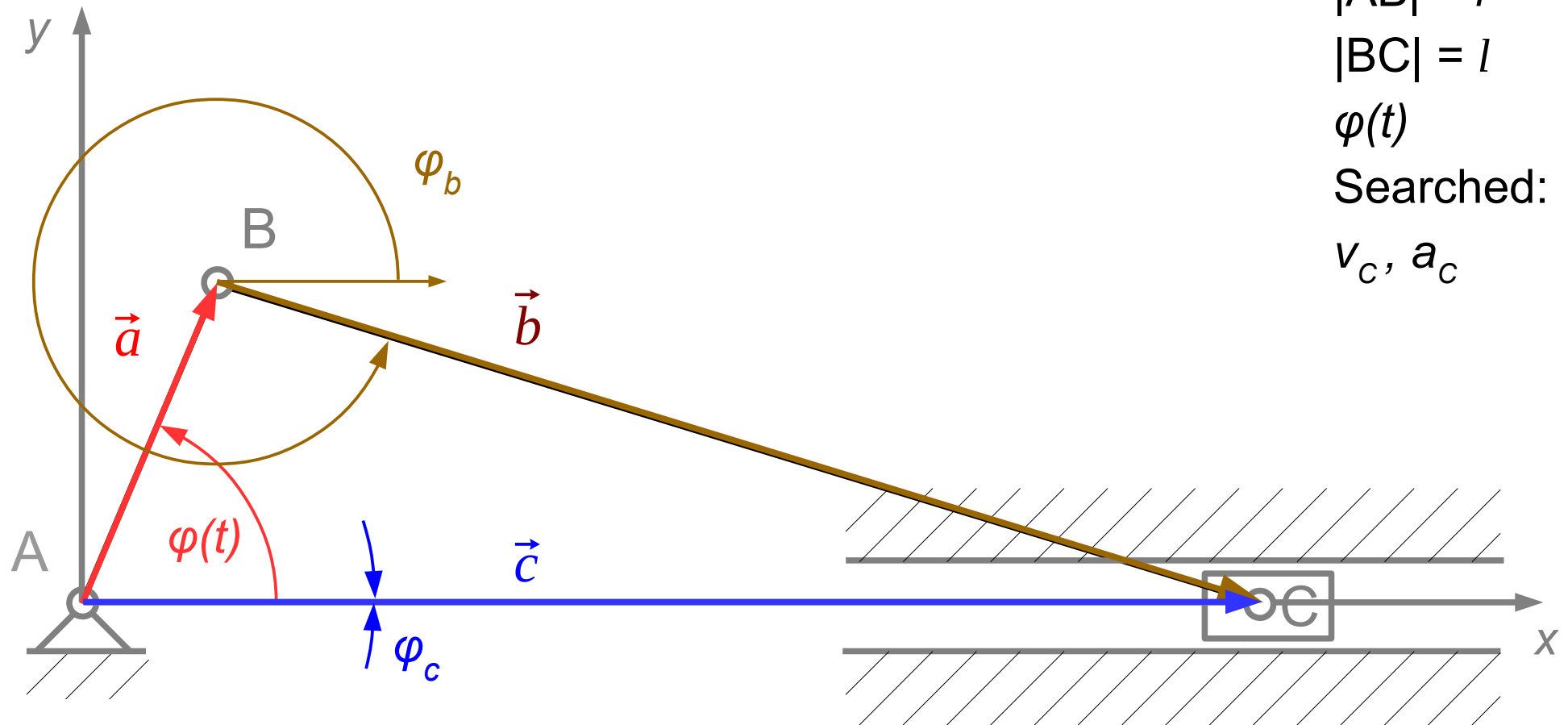
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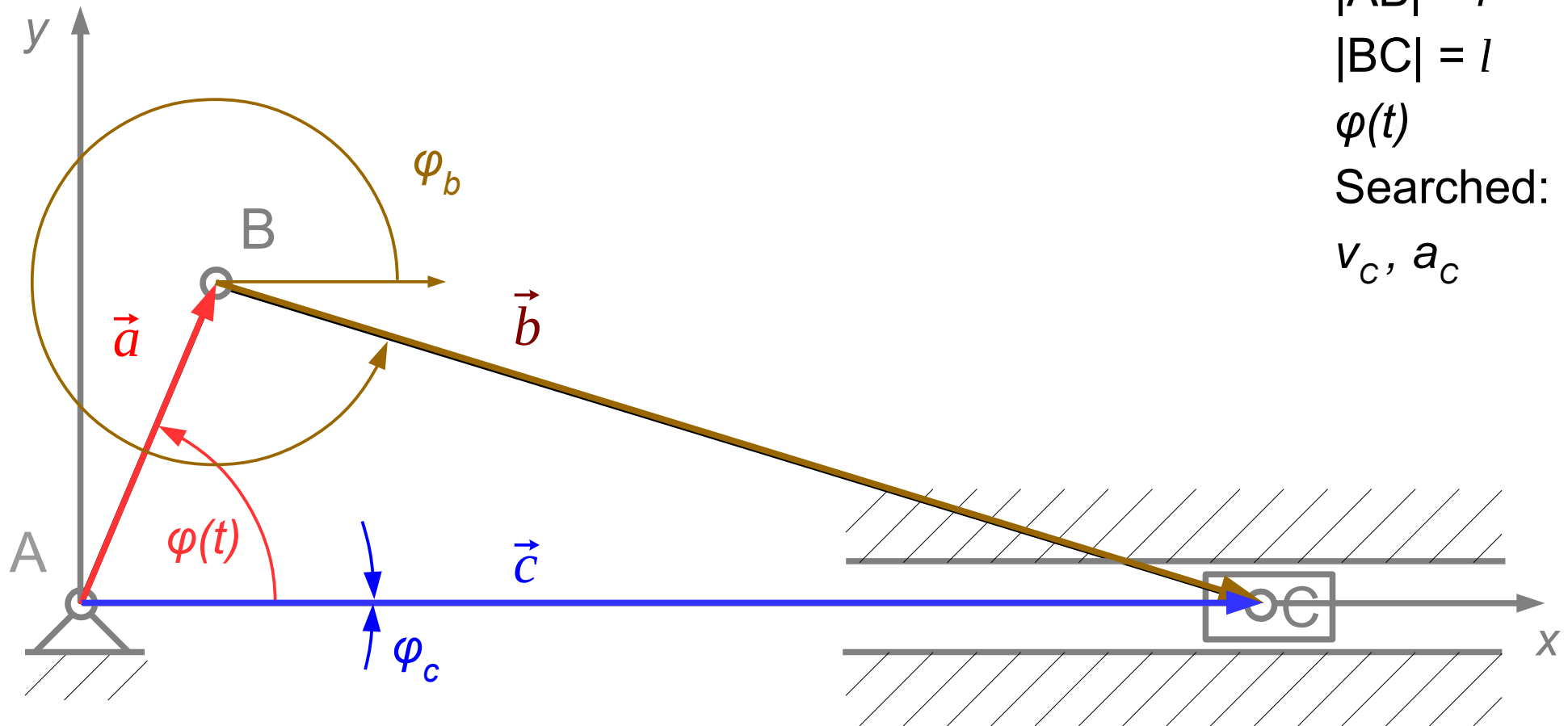
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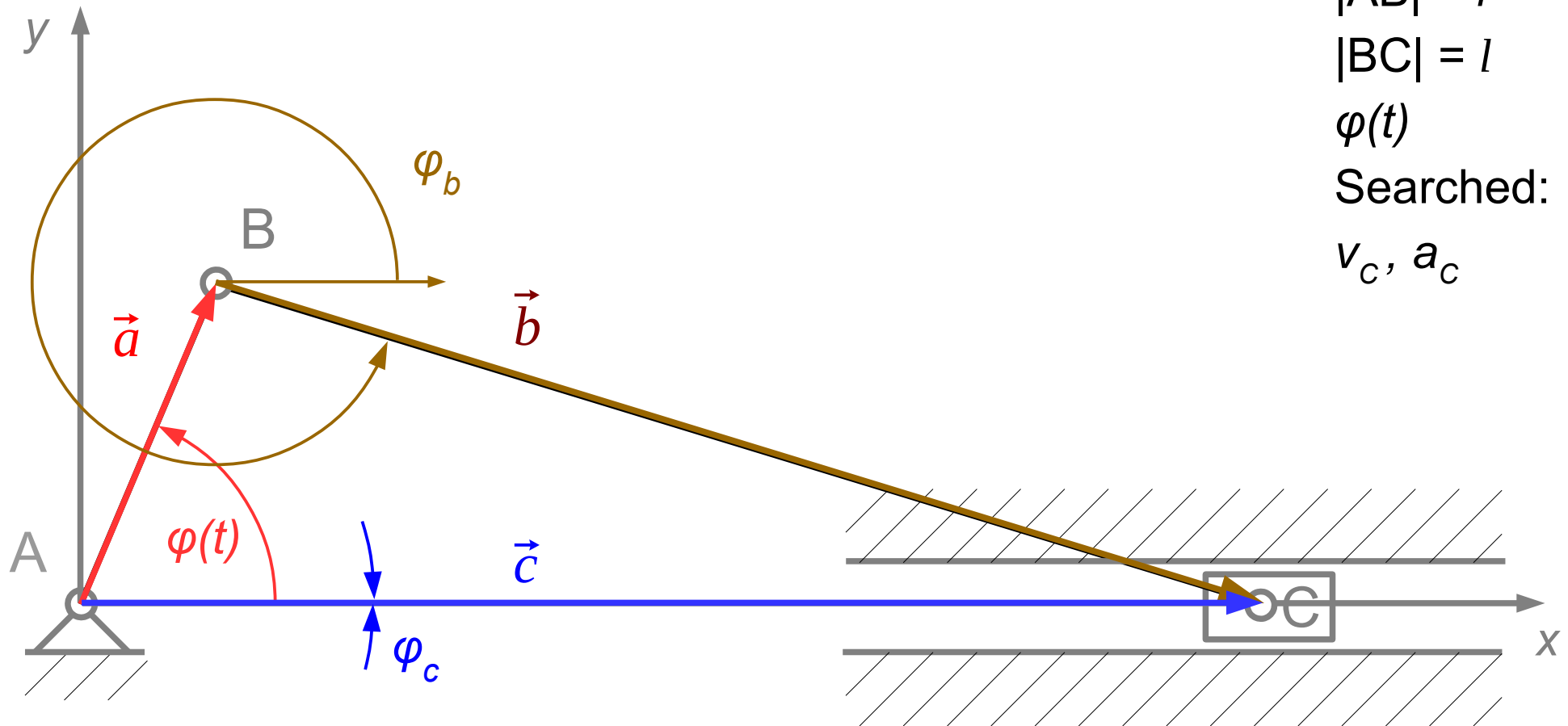
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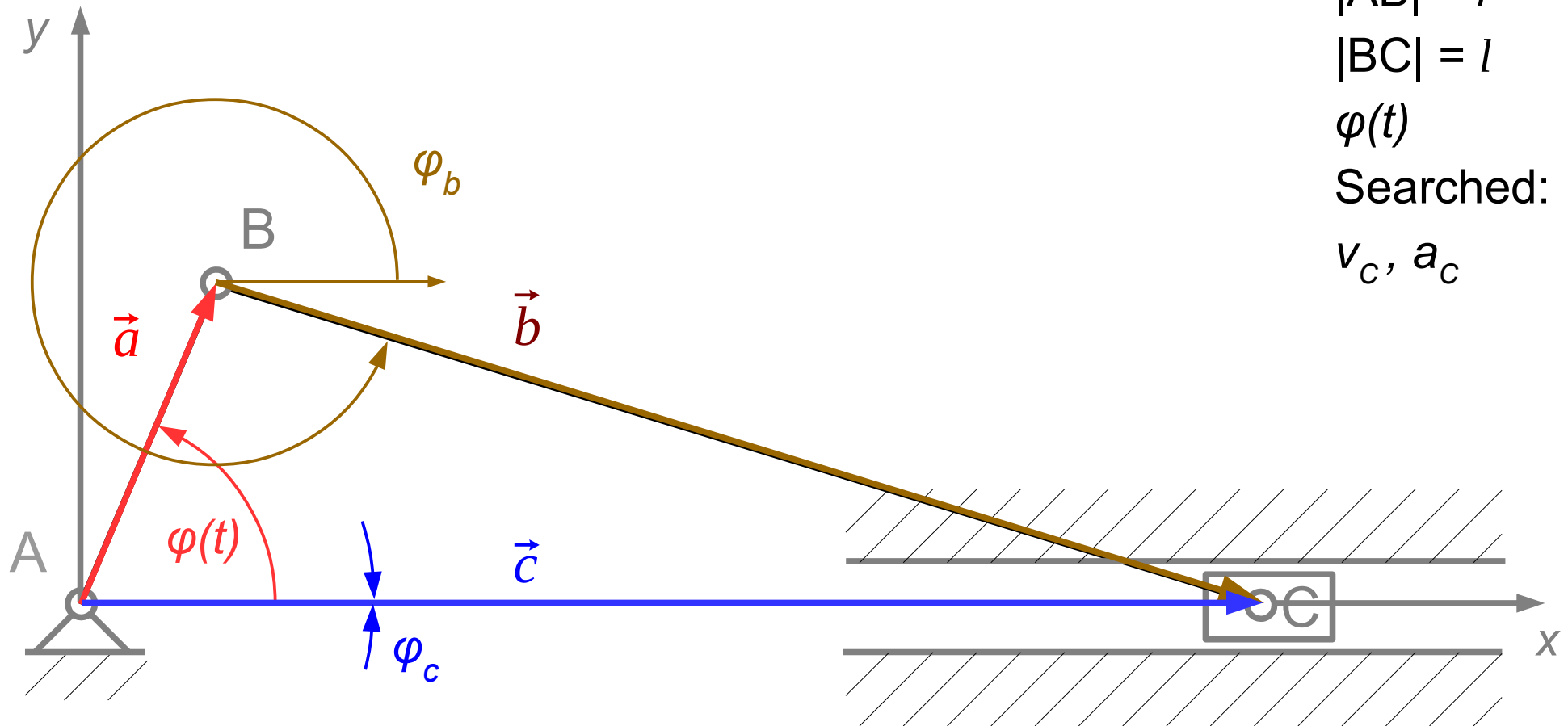
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*slider movement*

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$$v_C(t) = \frac{dc(t)}{dt} = -r \dot{\varphi}(t) \sin \varphi(t) - \frac{-2l\lambda^2 \dot{\varphi}(t) \sin \varphi(t) \cos \varphi(t)}{2\sqrt{1 - \lambda^2 \sin^2 \varphi(t)}}$$

$$a_C(t) = \frac{dv_C(t)}{dt} = \dots$$

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*calculations with wxmaxima*

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(%i14) c: r*cos(%phi(t))+l*sqrt(1-%lambda^2*(sin(%phi(t)))^2);
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a: diff(v,t,1);
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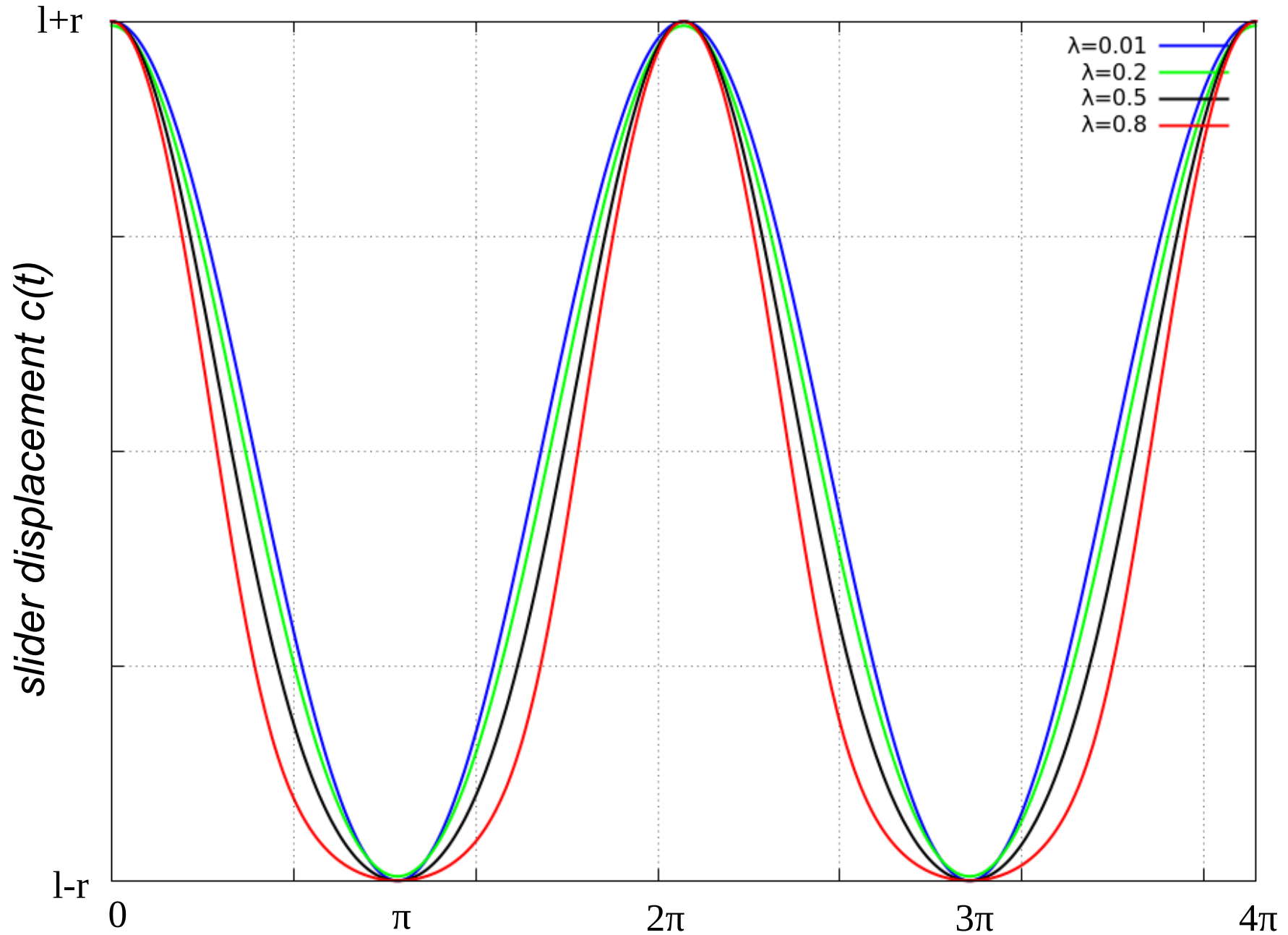
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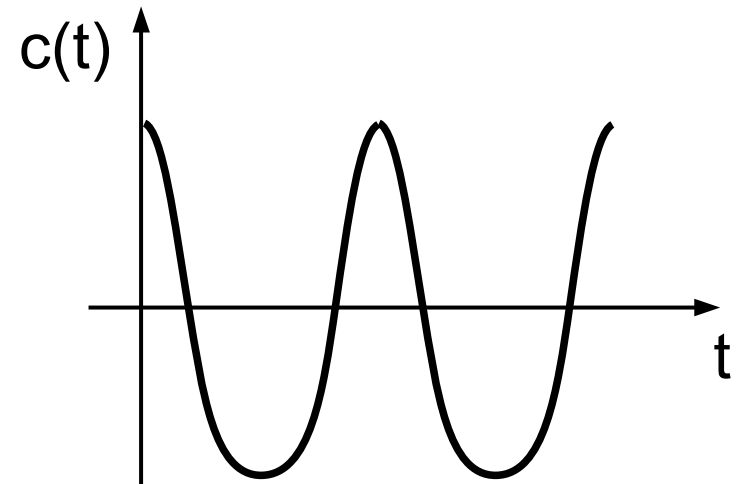
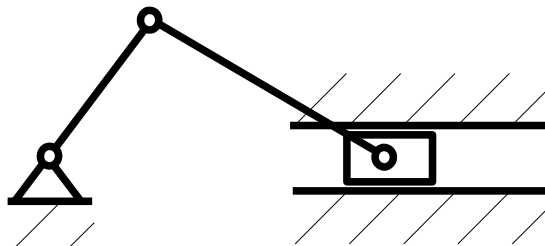
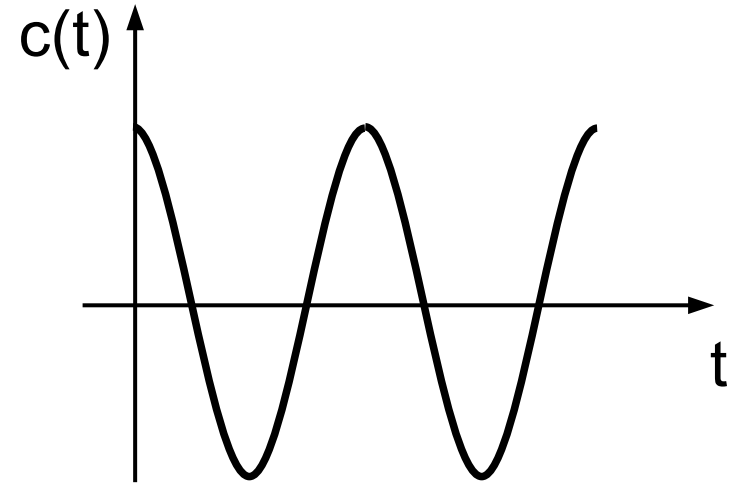
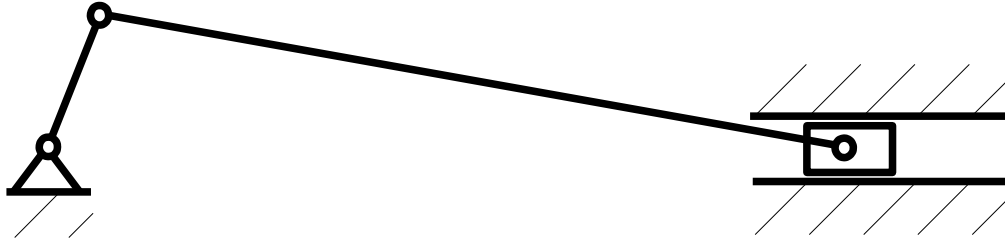
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*connecting rod motion*

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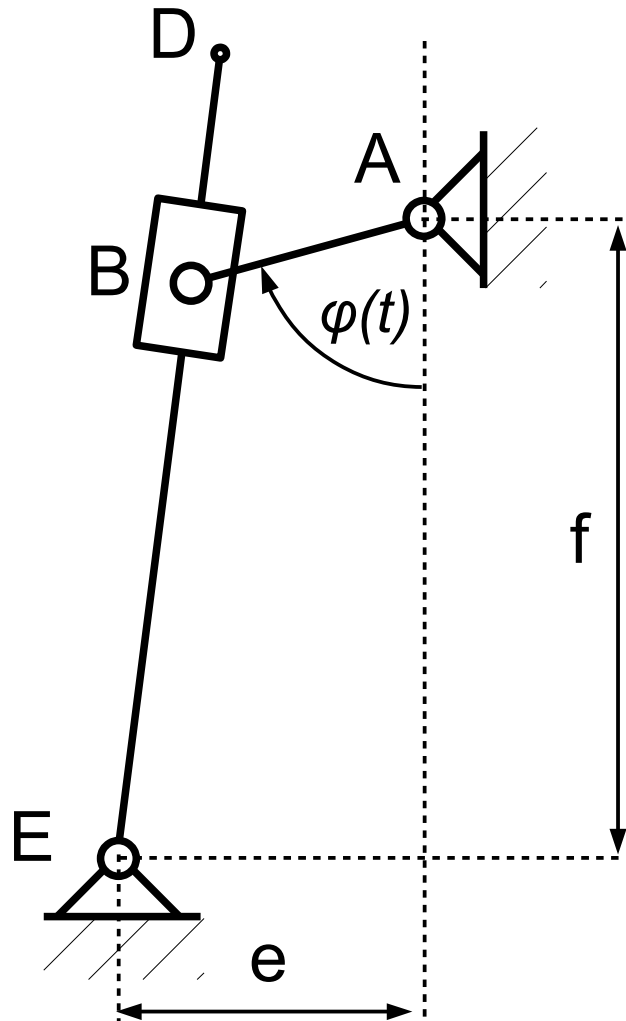
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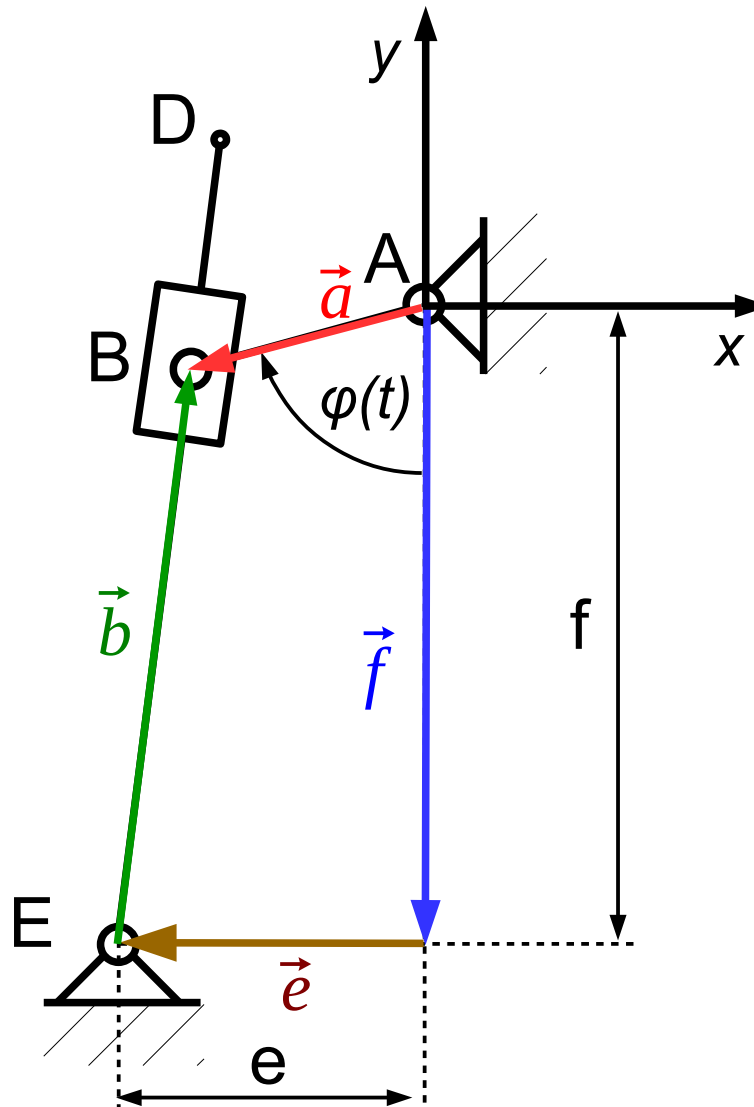
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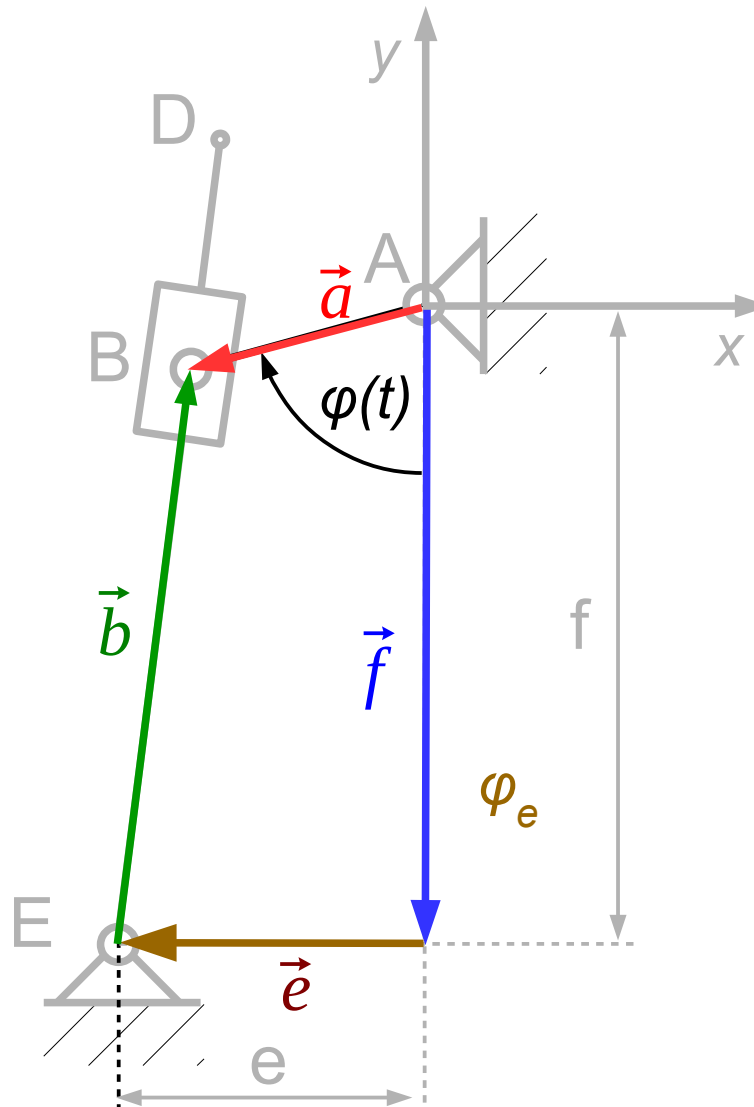
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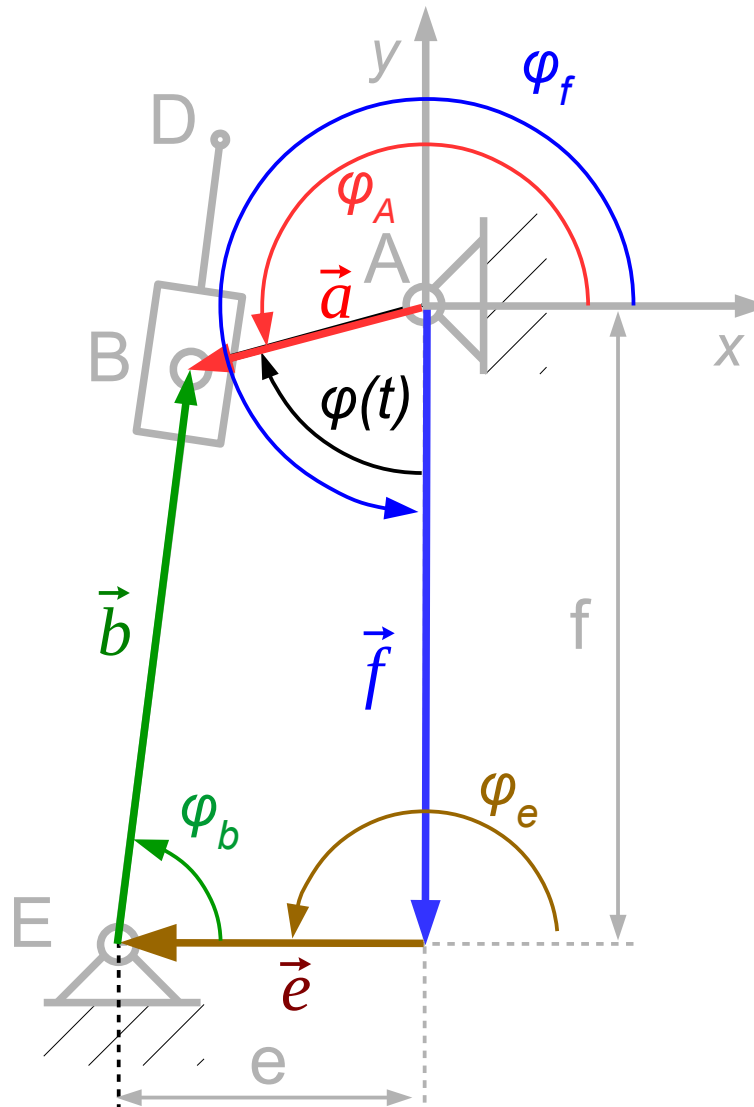
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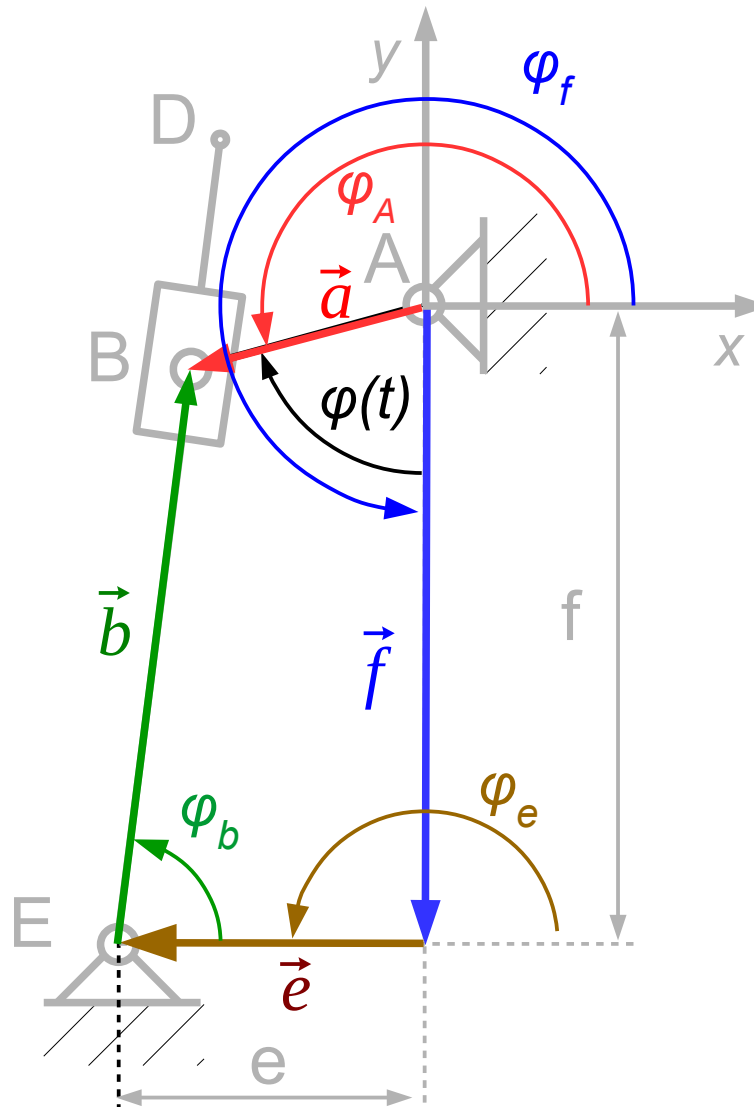
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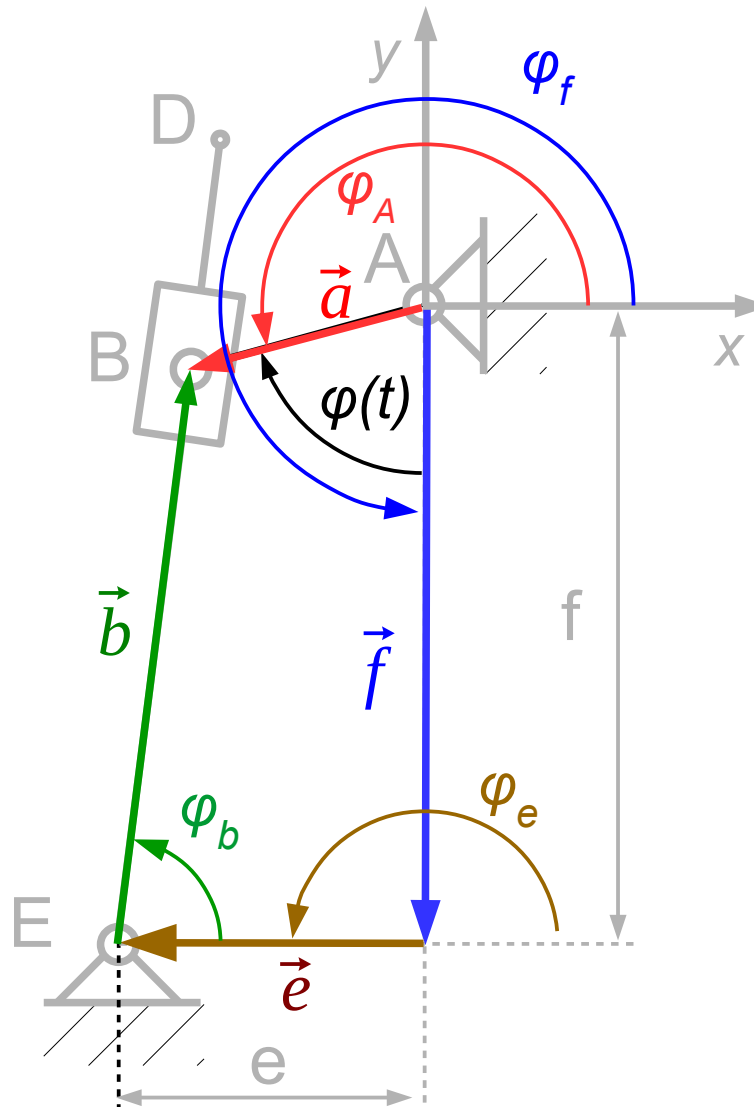
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$$\vec{a} = \vec{b} + \vec{e} + \vec{f}$$

$$x: r \cos(270^\circ - \varphi(t)) = b(t) \cos \varphi_b(t) + e \cos 180^\circ + f \cos 270^\circ$$

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# Analytical method – example: slider-yoke

Given:

$$|AB| = r$$

$e, f, \varphi(t)$

Searched:

*angular velocity*

$\omega_2$  and

*acceleration  $\varepsilon_2$*

*of ED element*

$$|\vec{a}| = r$$

$$\varphi_a(t) = 270^\circ - \varphi(t)$$

$$|\vec{b}| = b(t)$$

$$\varphi_b(t)$$

$$|\vec{e}| = e$$

$$\varphi_e = 180^\circ$$

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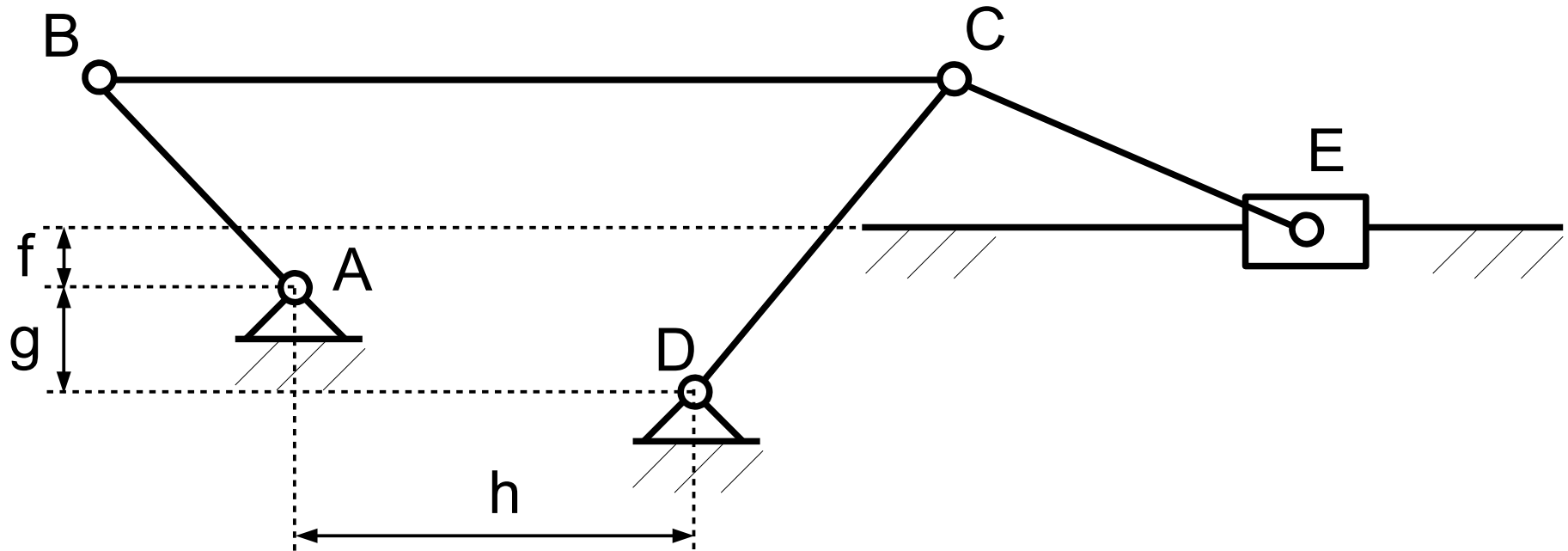
$$x: -r \sin \varphi(t) = b(t) \cos \varphi_b(t) - e$$

$$y: -r \cos \varphi(t) = b(t) \sin \varphi_b(t) - f$$

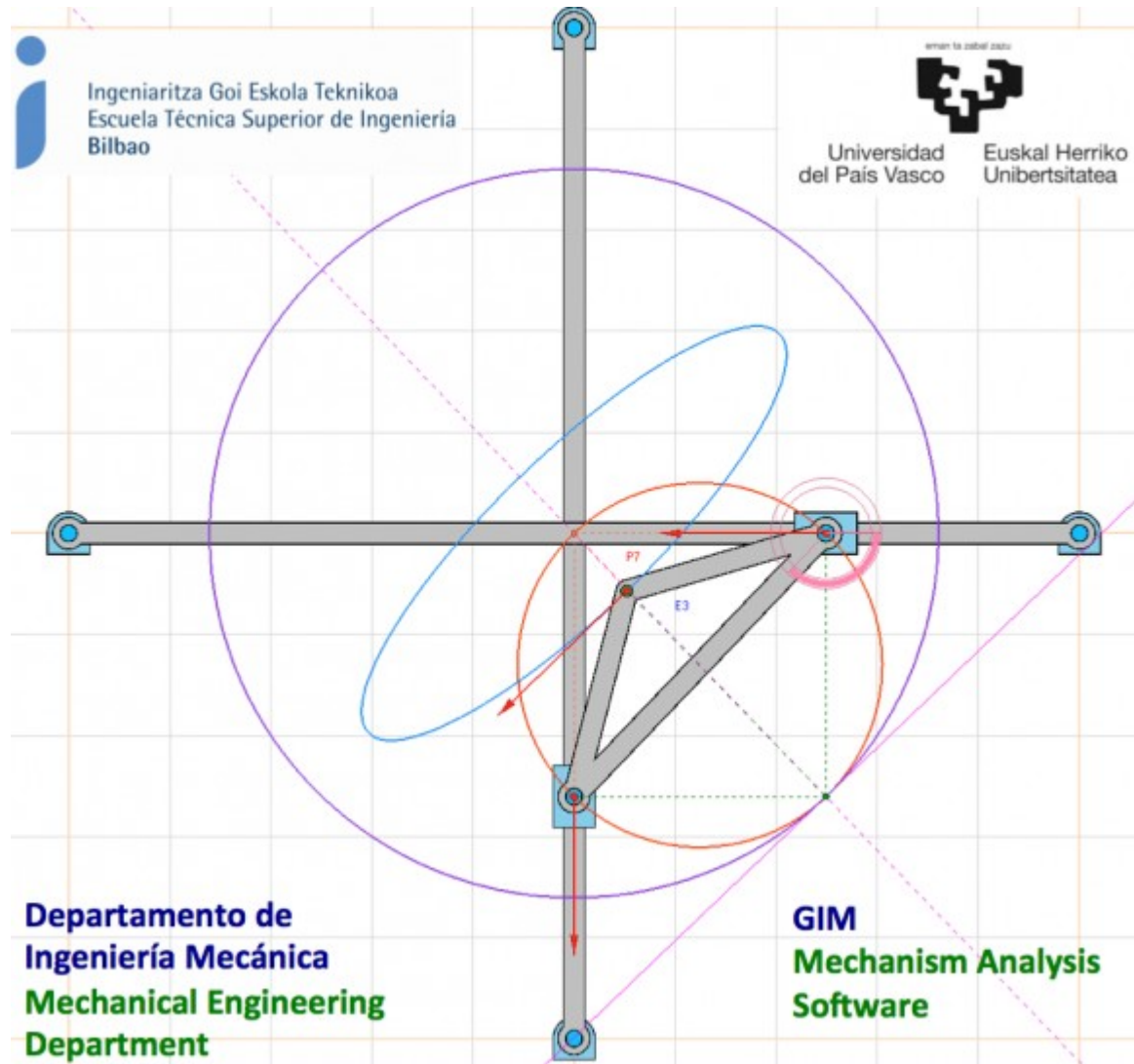
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$$\begin{aligned} b(t) \cos \varphi_b(t) &= -r \sin \varphi(t) + e \\ b(t) \sin \varphi_b(t) &= -r \cos \varphi(t) + f \end{aligned}$$

# Analytical method – example



# Software

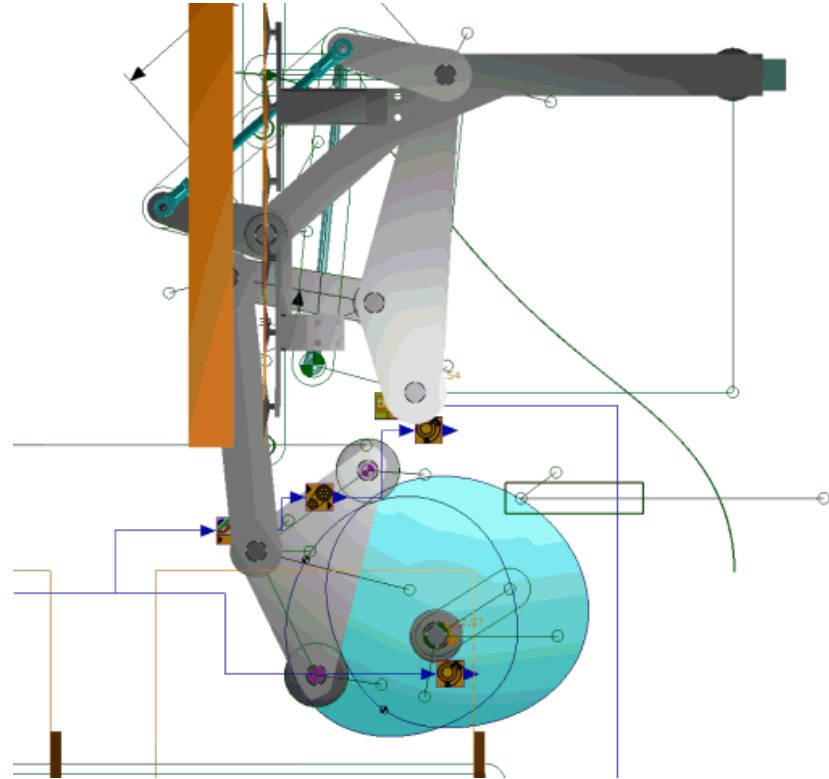
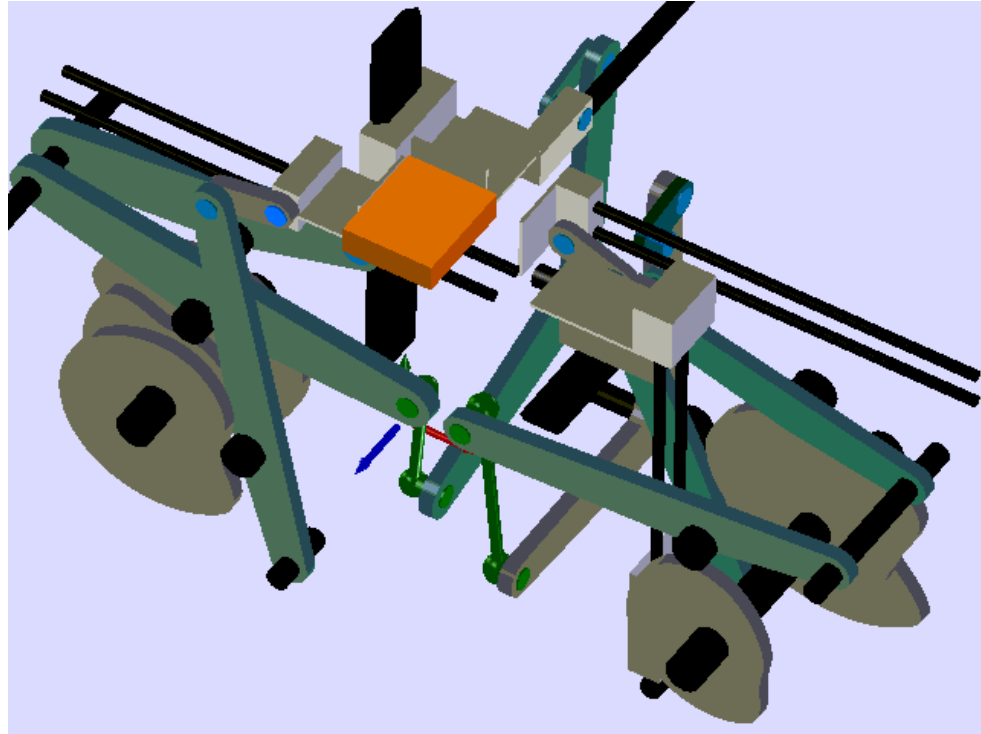


<http://www.ehu.eus/compmech/software/>

# Cam-follower mechanisms

# Cam-follower

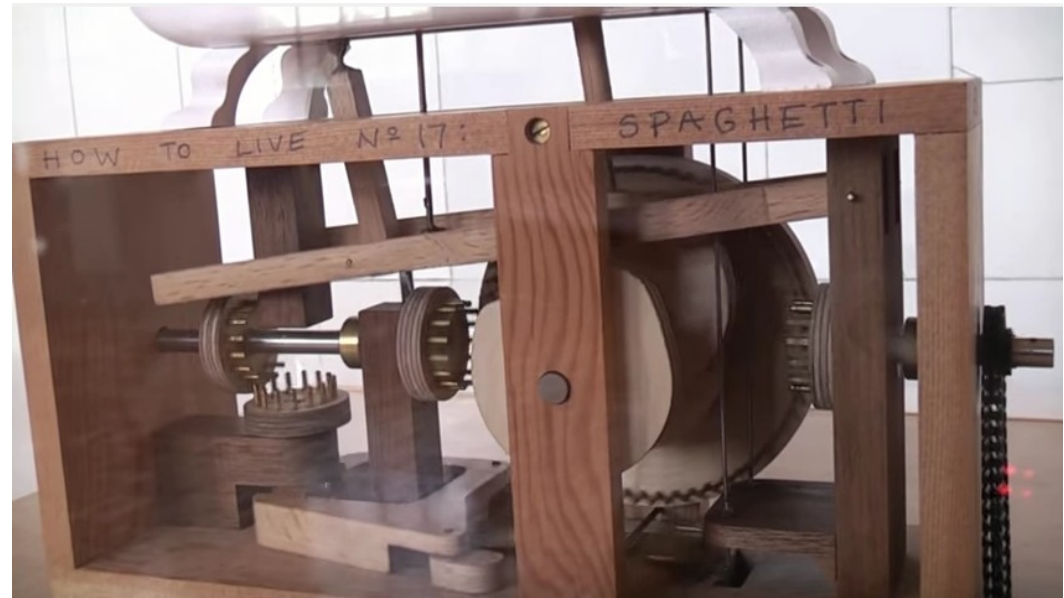
## Inspirations



*source: psmotion.com*

# Cam-follower

## art inspiration



Mechanics Alive! Cabaret Mechanical  
Theatre Automata Exhibition  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kv1CpJi60xQ>

The "Draughtsman-Writer" automaton by Henri Maillardet  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Maillardet  
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# Cam-follower

Cam-follower mechanism – mechanism build of a cam and a follower (tappet) connected as a IV class kinematic pair.

Cam is rotating (sometimes is translating)

follower is reciprocating (sometimes is swinging/oscillating)

## advantages

- simple to construction,
- simple to create,
- any dimensions,
- simple to create advanced motions.

## disadvantages

- small strength with high loads,
- no adaptation possible.



# Cam-follower

## Classification

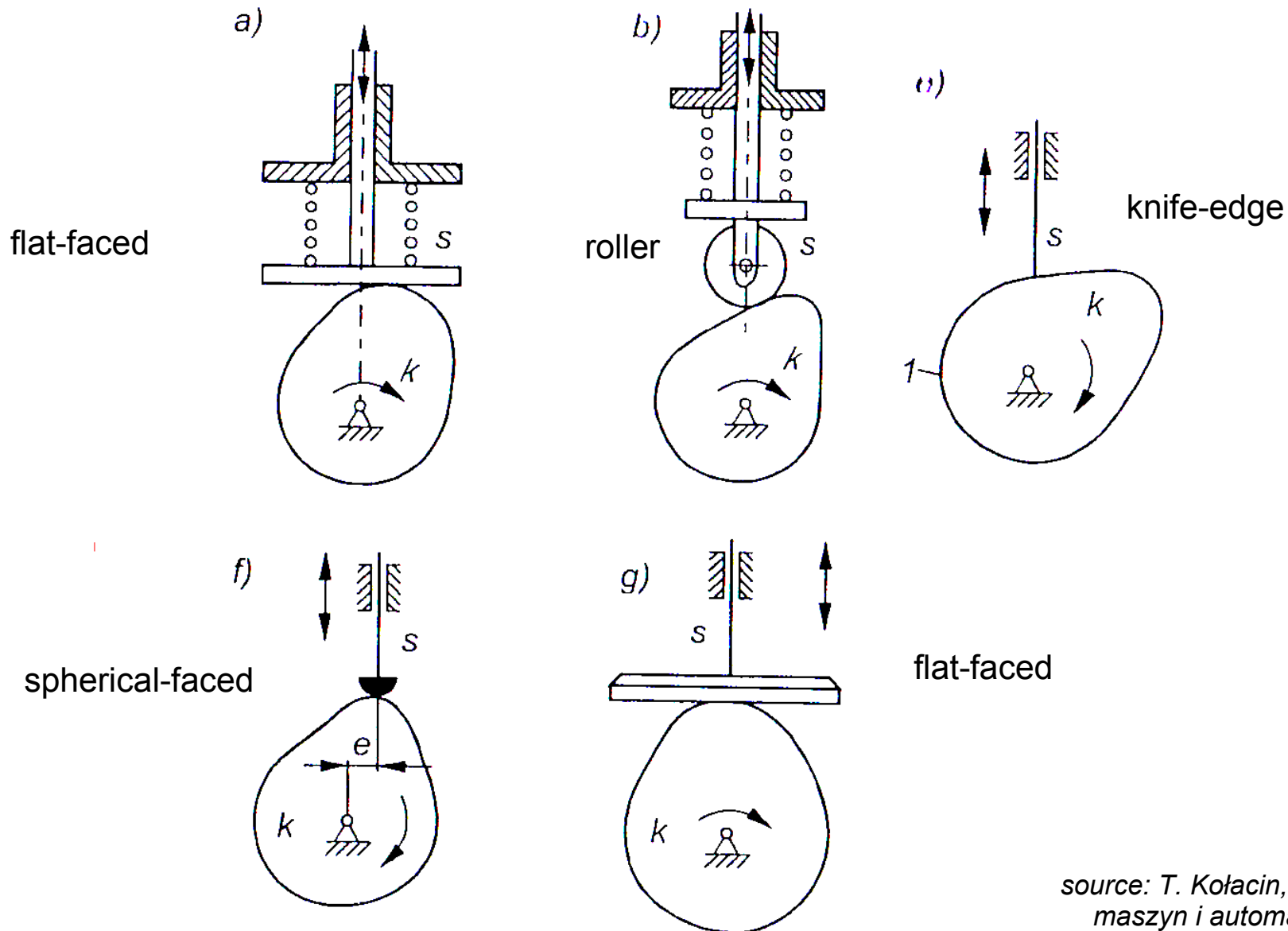
flat / spatial

with in-line (central) follower / with offset (eccentric) follower

closed with geometry / closed with force

# Cam-follower

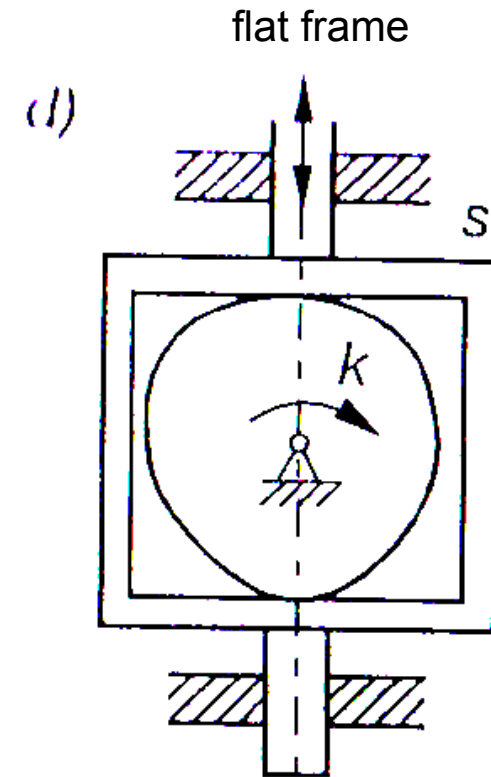
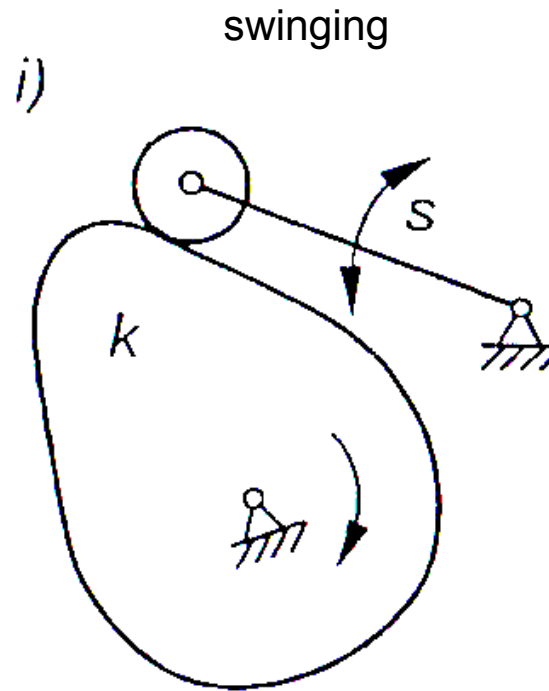
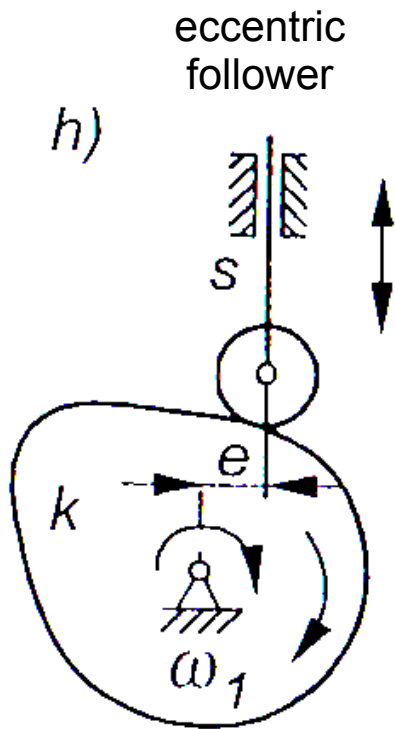
## Followers



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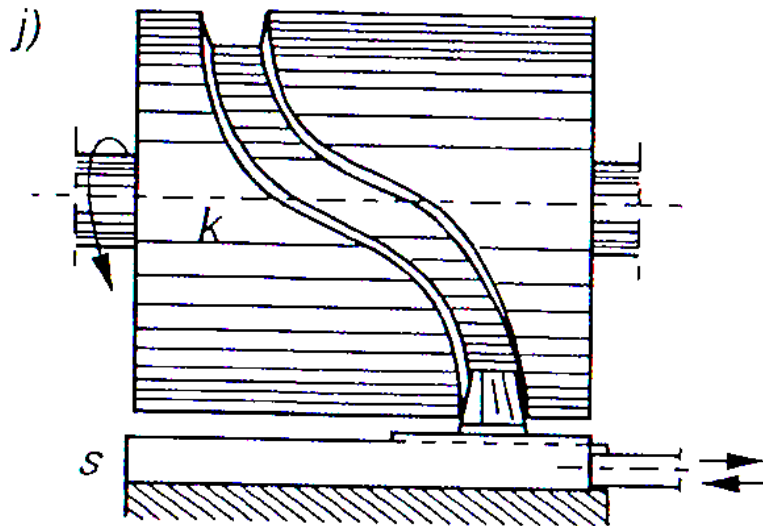


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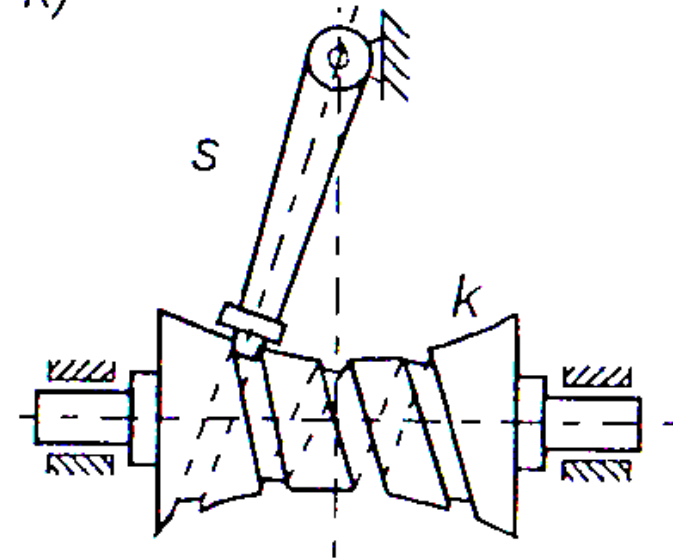
# Cam-follower

## examples

cylindrical cam

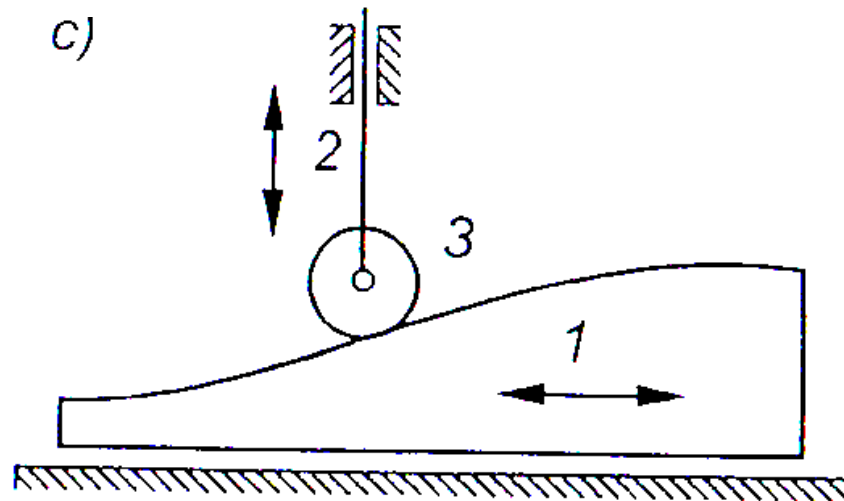


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globoidal

translating cam



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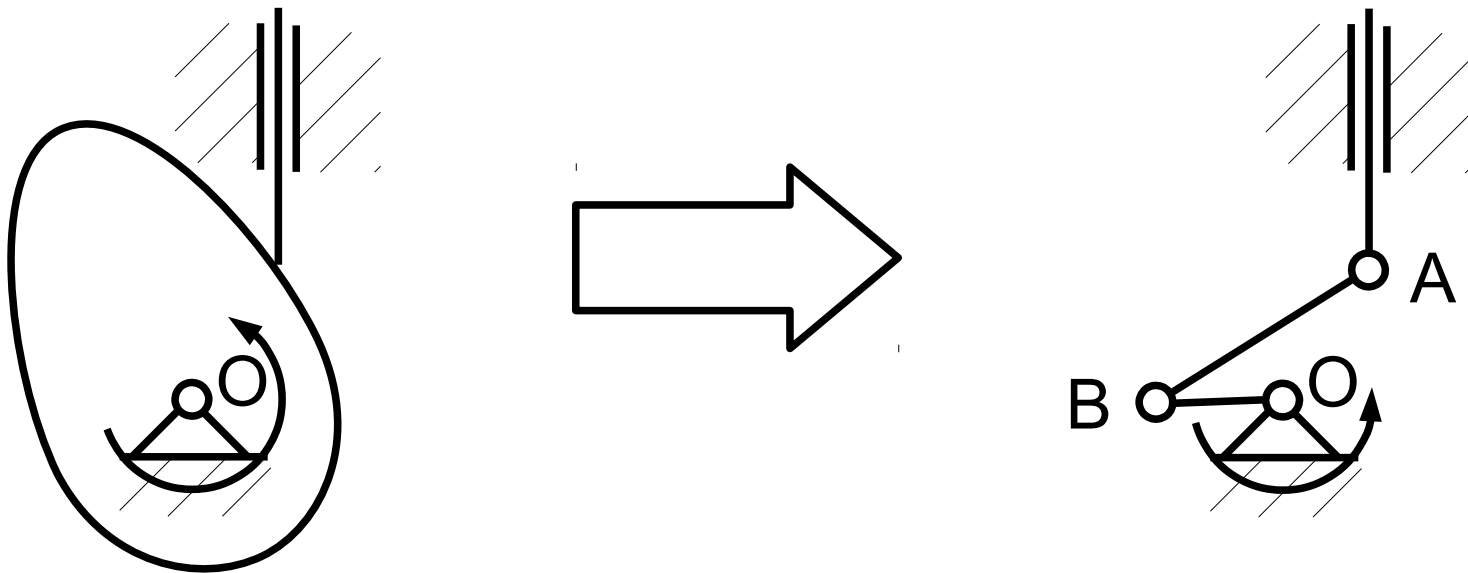
# Analysis and synthesis of cam-follower mechanism

Analysis – calculation of displacement, velocity and acceleration functions for a follower motion with respect to a cam's rotations angle for arbitrary given geometry.

Synthesis – calculation of a cam geometry needed to obtain given displacement/velocity/acceleration functions. Limitations must be included, i.e. some maximum values, geometry limitations and jerk values (third derivative).

# Analysis of a cam-follower mechanism

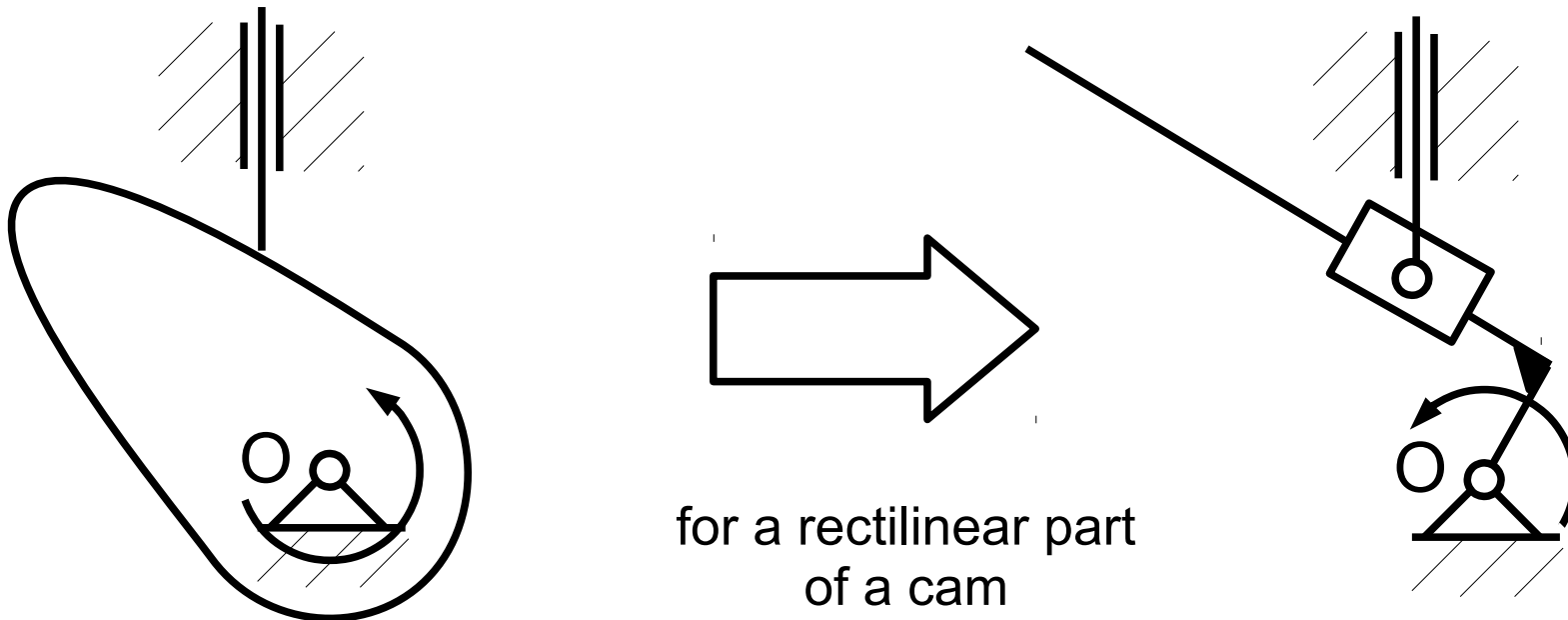
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AB – radius of curvature in  
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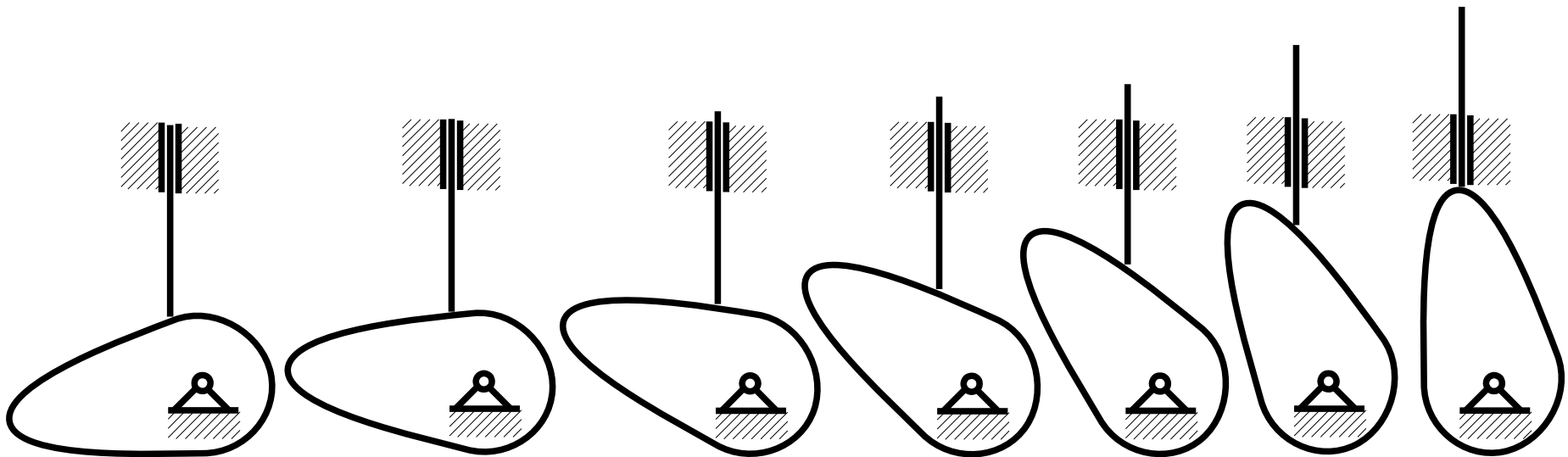
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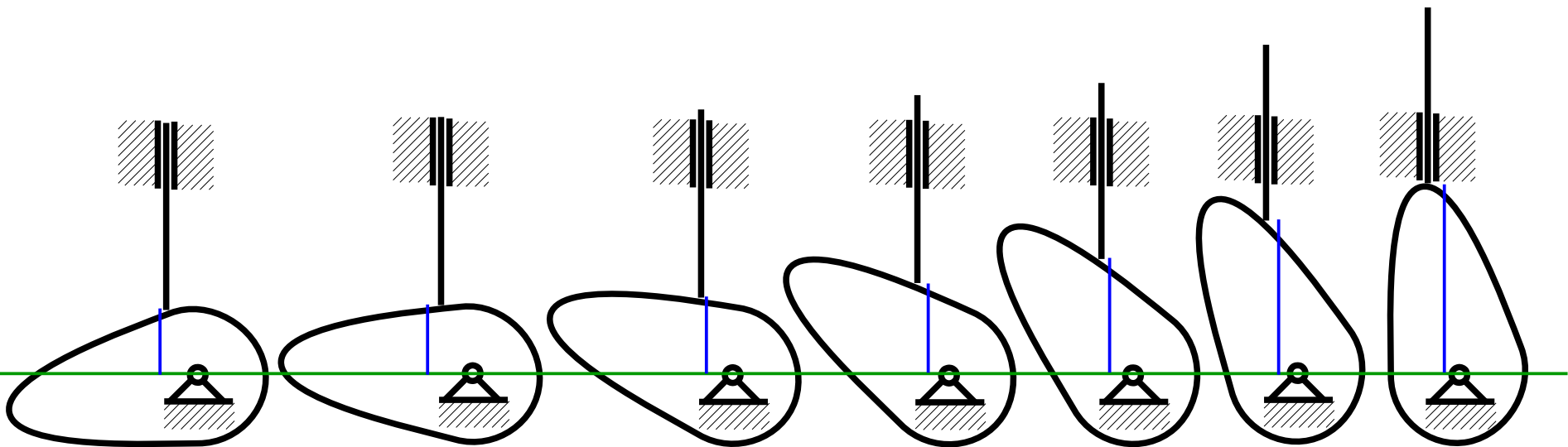
## Graphical determination of a follower movement





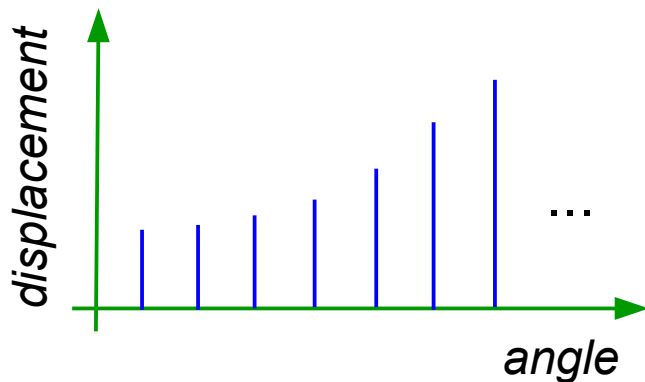
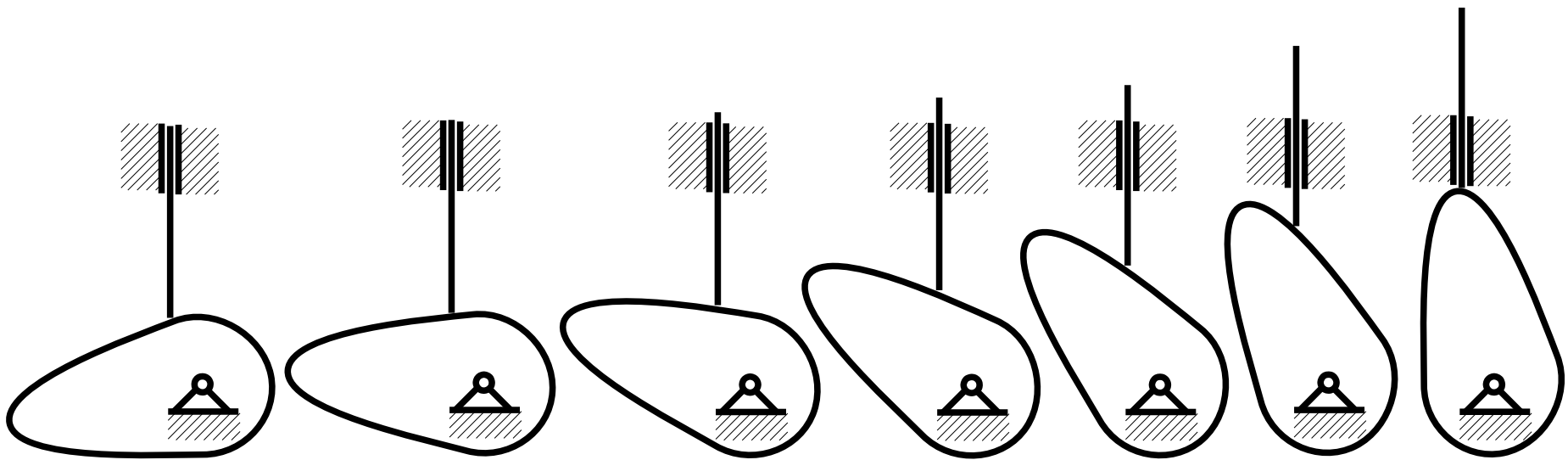
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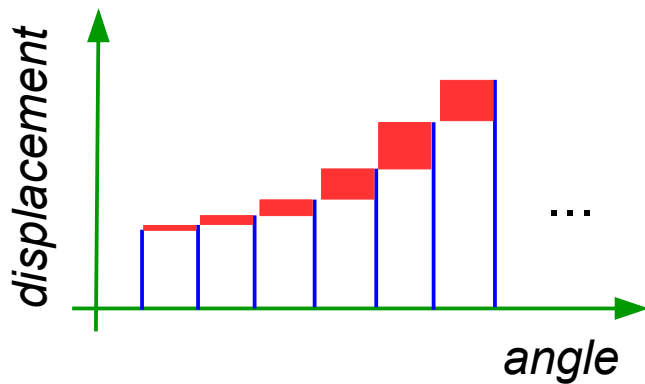
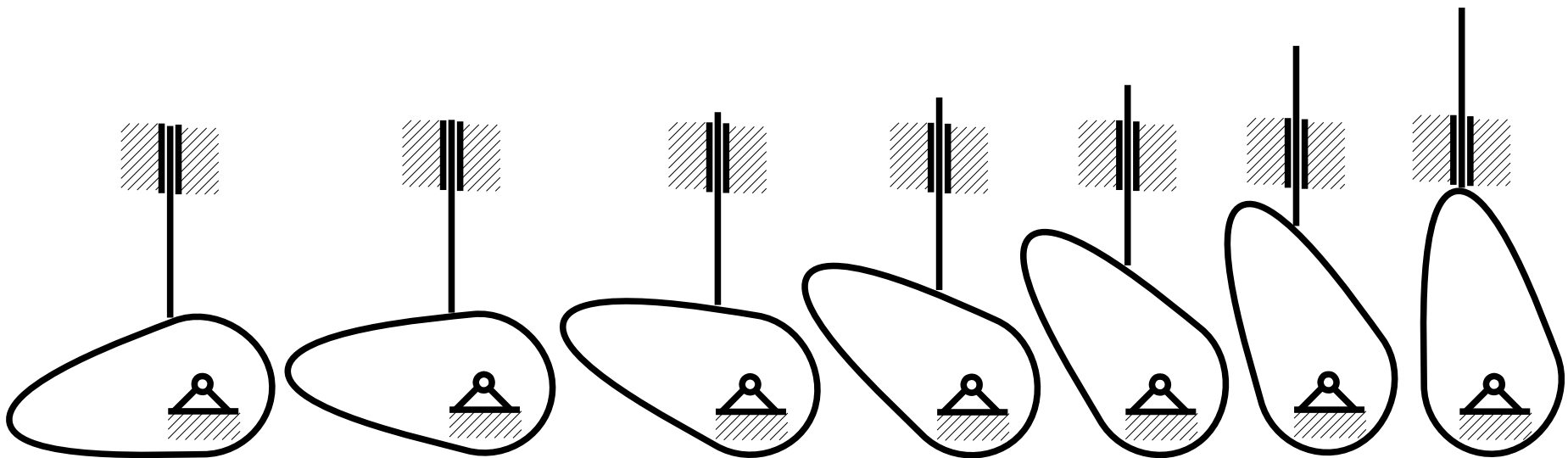
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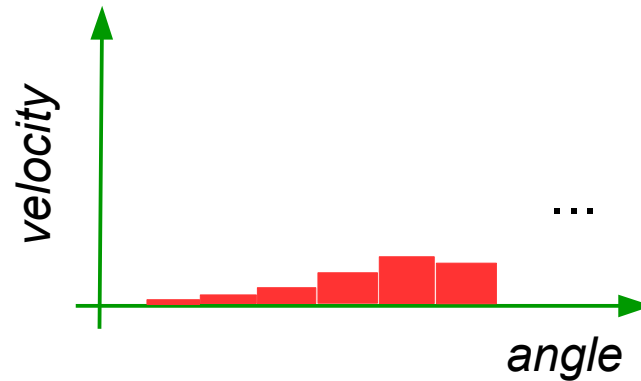
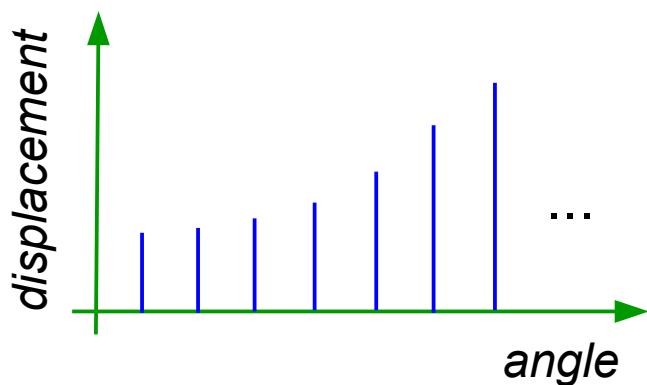
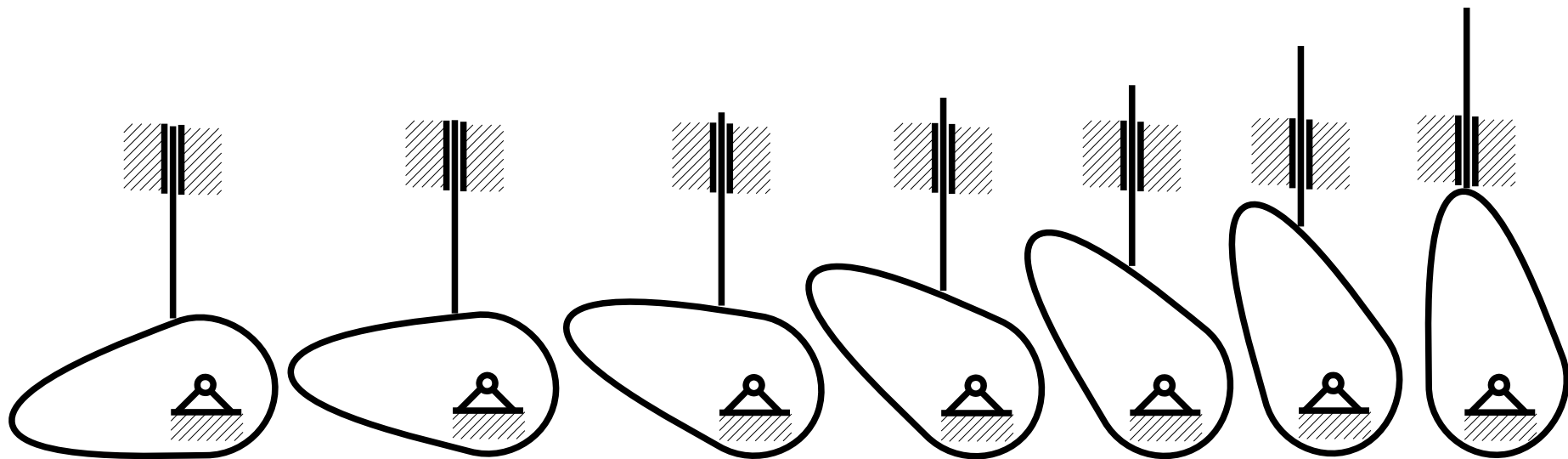
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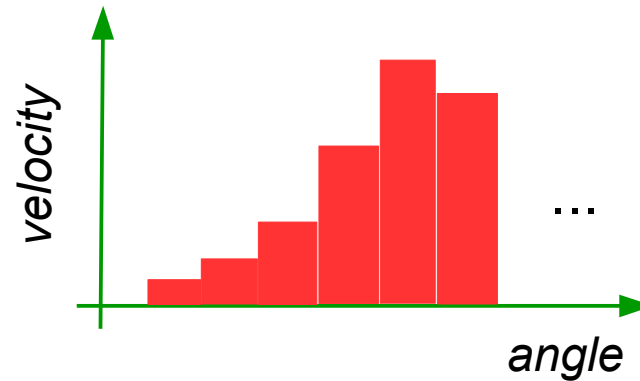
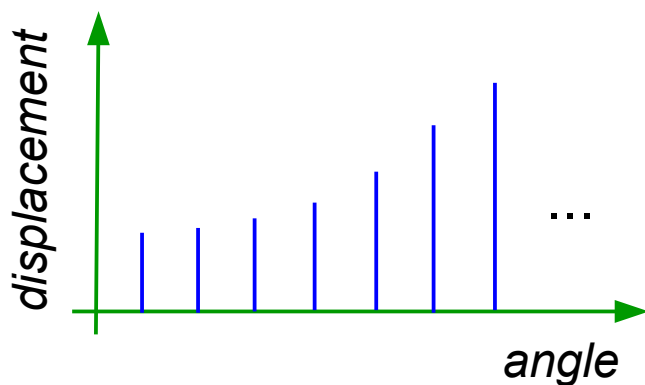
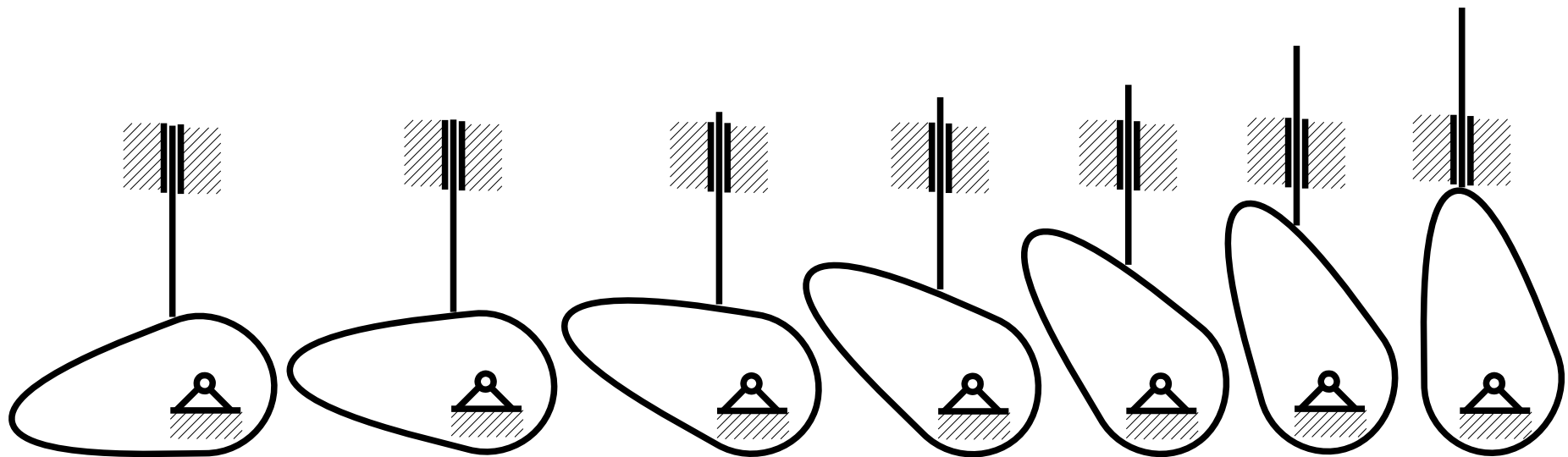
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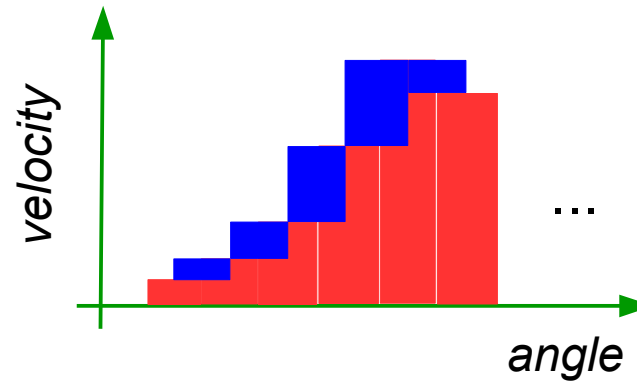
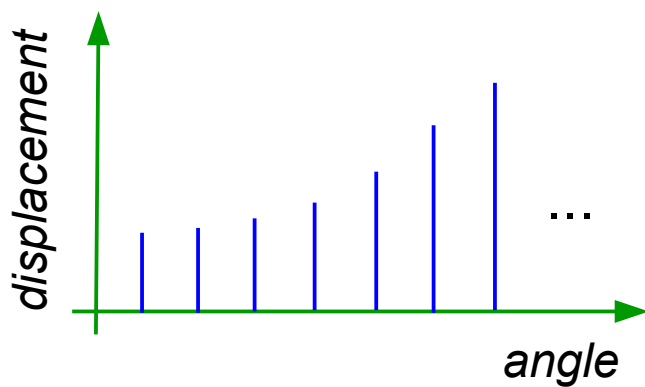
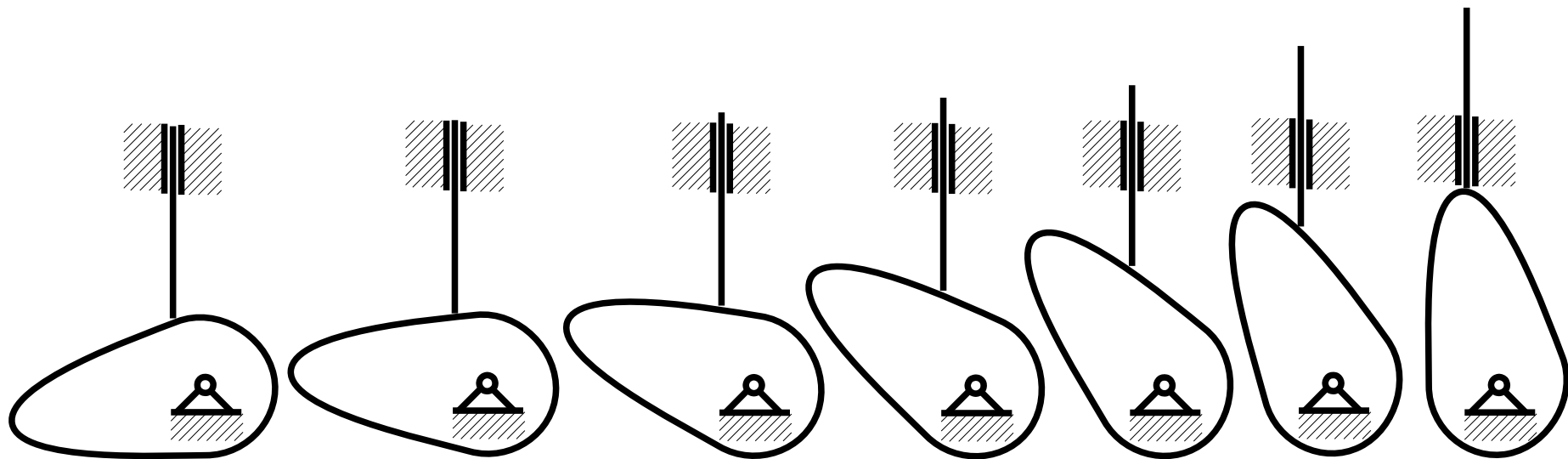
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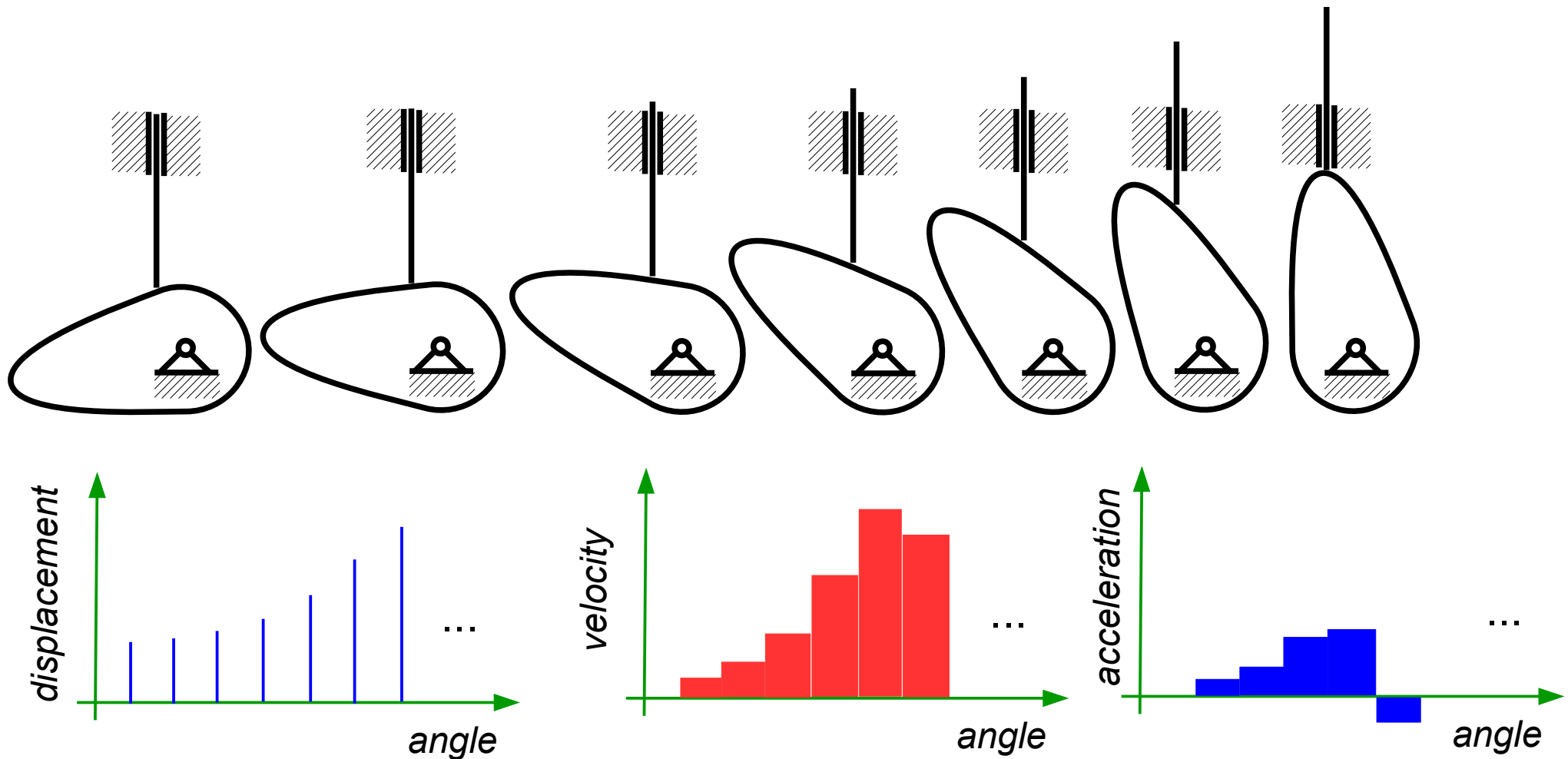
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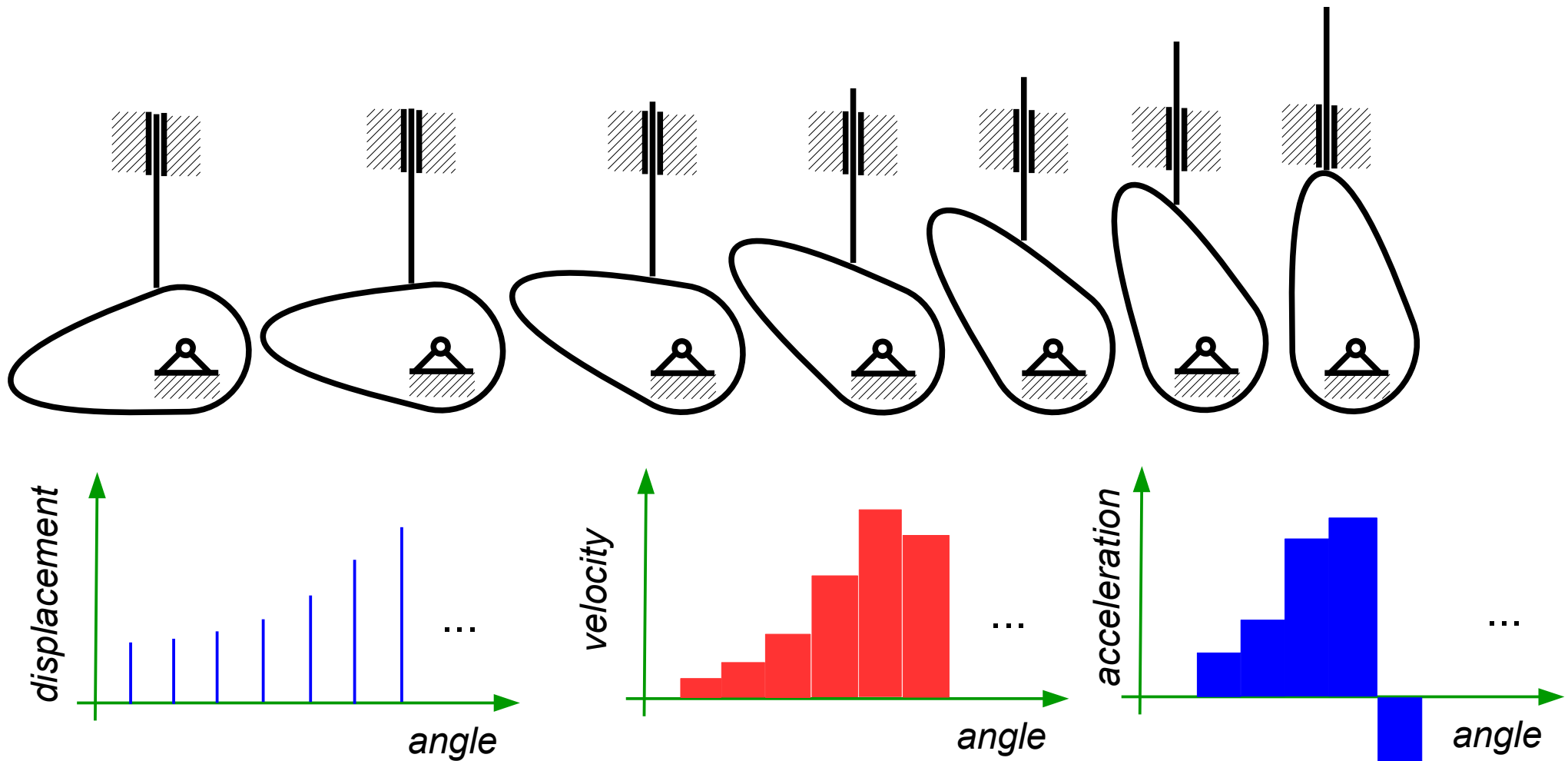
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## Graphical determination of a follower movement



# Analysis of a cam-follower mechanism

## Graphical determination of a follower movement





# Analysis of a cam-follower mechanism

## Analytical method - example

