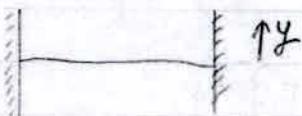


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Pset 2 Solutions

Physics 200A Homework 2

(a)



The string is continuous, so the Lagrangian density, \mathcal{L} , is of interest

The potential energy is the work done to stretch the string (from equilibrium)

$$\begin{aligned} \delta s &\quad \delta y \\ \delta x & \end{aligned} \quad \int \delta V = \int T \delta s - \int T dx$$

$$\Rightarrow V = \int T \left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} dx - \int T dx$$

$$\Rightarrow V = \int T \left\{ \left[1 + (d_x y)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right\} dx$$

$$So, \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \mu (d_y y)^2 - T \left\{ \left[1 + (d_x y)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 \right\} \quad / \quad L = \int_0^L dx \mathcal{L}$$

mass per unit length

$$S = S dt L$$

The E-L equations (for $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(d_y y, d_x y)$) are given by: $\stackrel{\rightarrow \text{ derived by } SS =}{S dt \int dx \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} \frac{\partial S}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x} \right]} = 0 \dots$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (d_y y)} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (d_x y)} = 0 \quad \boxed{\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = 0}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (d_y y)} = \mu d_y y \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (d_x y)} = -T d_x y \left[1 + (d_x y)^2 \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \mu d_y y = d_x \left\{ T d_x y \left[1 + (d_x y)^2 \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right\}$$

If μ, T constant:

$$\mu \partial_t^2 y = T \partial_x \{ \partial_x y [1 + (\partial_x y)^2]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \}$$

This reduces to a wave equation if $|\partial_x y| < 1$ i.e. for a string whose displacement from equilibrium does not change rapidly along the length of the string

$$\mu \partial_t^2 y = T \partial_x^2 y$$

b) Taking

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \mu (\partial_t y)^2 - T [1 + (\partial_x y)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

The ' $-T$ ' term has no effect on the e.o.m. so has been disregarded

The momentum density conjugate to y :

$$\pi_y = \pi = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} = \mu \partial_t y$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{the Hamiltonian density, } H = \pi \left(\frac{\pi}{\mu} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \mu \left(\frac{\pi}{\mu} \right)^2 + T [1 + (\partial_x y)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
$$H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi^2}{\mu} + T [1 + (\partial_x y)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\dot{y} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \pi} = \frac{\pi}{\mu}$$

$$\dot{\pi} = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$c) H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi^2}{\mu} + T \underbrace{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}_{= T \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 + \dots \right]}$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi^2}{\mu} + \frac{1}{2} T \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2$$

$$\text{& also } L = \frac{1}{2} \mu \left(\dot{y} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} T \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2$$

More generally, taking $fL = \pi \dot{y} - L$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial fL}{\partial t} &= \underbrace{\frac{\partial \pi}{\partial t} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}}_{= \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial \dot{y}}} + \pi \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}}_{= -\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} \frac{\partial(\dot{y})}{\partial t}}_{= \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})}{\partial t}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})}{\partial t}}_{= \pi} \\ &= \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial \dot{y}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} \quad E-L \text{ eqns} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial fL}{\partial t} &= \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}}_{= -\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t}}_{= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} \frac{\partial \dot{y}}{\partial t}}_{= -\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} \frac{\partial \dot{y}}{\partial x}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})}{\partial t}}_{= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})}{\partial x}} \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x \partial t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial fL}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left\{ \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \right\} \quad \text{in 1-D. For 3D, } \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rightarrow \nabla$$

C.f. the Poynting theorem:

$$-\frac{du}{dt} = \vec{V} \cdot \vec{S} + \vec{J}_f \cdot \vec{E}$$

↑
Pointing
vector
↓
current
density

↑
free
current
density

↖ electric
field

u: energy
density

$H \leftrightarrow u$ energy density

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial(d_x y)} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} \leftrightarrow S_x \text{ energy flux density}$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = - \oint \vec{V} \cdot \vec{S} d^3x = - \oint \vec{S} \cdot d\vec{S} \quad \text{in general}$$

In this case: $\frac{\partial L}{\partial(d_x y)} = -T d_x y$

$$\therefore \vec{S} = -T d_x y \hat{e}_t y \hat{e}_x$$

↖ unit vector in the $+x$ direction

PSet 2: Problem 2

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Problem 2: Consider a particle with velocity \vec{v}_1 moving in a region with constant potential U_1 into a region with constant potential U_2 (c.f. fig. 1).

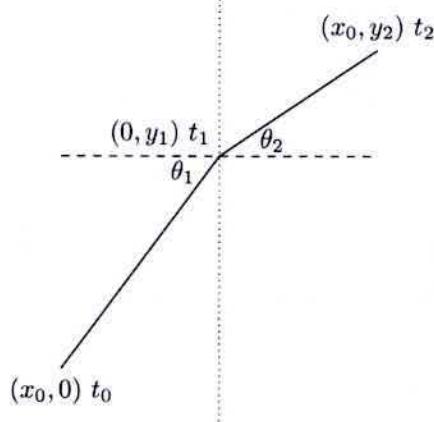


Figure 1: Setup of problem

Part a): *v_1 is the initial velocity. How does the direction change? What is v_2 ?* For this problem, we fix the end points $(x_0, 0)$ and (x_2, y_2) as well as the end times t_0 and t_2 . We have shown in class that free particles move along geodesics (in flat space, straight lines at constant velocity). Since the potential U is constant on either side of the boundary, the force $\vec{F} = \vec{\nabla}U$ is also zero on either side of the boundary. Thus, we immediately know it follows a straight path in either region. Labeling the crossing point as $(0, y_1)$ at time t_1 , we get:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \int_{t_0}^{t_2} L dt = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \left(\frac{1}{2} mv^2 - U \right) dt + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{1}{2} mv^2 - U \right) dt \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} mv_1^2 - U_1 \right) \int_{t_0}^{t_1} dt + \left(\frac{1}{2} mv_2^2 - U_2 \right) \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} mv_1^2 - U_1 \right) (t_1 - t_0) + \left(\frac{1}{2} mv_2^2 - U_2 \right) (t_2 - t_1) \\ &= \frac{m(x_0^2 + y_1^2)}{2t_1} - U_1 t_1 + \frac{m(x_0^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2)}{2(t_2 - t_1)} - U_2 t_2 \end{aligned}$$

Since the endpoints are fixed, $S = S(y_1, t_1)$. Then, the principle of least action gives:

$$dS = 0 \frac{\partial S}{\partial y_1} dy_1 + \frac{\partial S}{\partial t_1} dt_1$$

Since dy_1 and dt_1 are arbitrary, the partials must each be identically zero. Then,

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial y_1} = m \frac{y_1}{t_1} - m \frac{y_2 - y_1}{t_2 - t_1} \implies mv_1 \sin \theta_1 = mv_2 \sin \theta_2 \implies v_1 \sin \theta_1 = v_2 \sin \theta_2$$

Doing the same for the time-derivative yields,

$$\frac{\partial S}{t_1} = 0 = -\frac{1}{2} m \frac{x_0^2 + y_1^2}{t_1^2} - U_1 + \frac{1}{2} m \frac{x_0^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}{(t_2 - t_1)^2} + U_2 \implies \frac{1}{2} mv_1^2 + U_1 = \frac{1}{2} mv_2^2 + U_2 \implies E_1 = E_2$$

Thus, we have

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_2^2 = \frac{1}{2}mv_1^2 + U_1 - U_2 \implies v_2 = v_1 \sqrt{1 + \frac{U_1 - U_2}{\frac{1}{2}mv_1^2}}$$

and

$$\sin \theta_2 = \frac{v_1}{v_2} \sin \theta_1 = \frac{\sin \theta_1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{U_1 - U_2}{\frac{1}{2}mv_1^2}}}$$

- (a) Part b): *Find the ratio of times in the same path for particles with different masses but the same U .* Multiplying the Lagrangian by a constant doesn't change the trajectory of the system. Thus, if $m \rightarrow \alpha m$ and $t \rightarrow \beta t$, we know the constant potentials $U_{1,2} \rightarrow U_{1,2}$ is unchanged. Therefore, we require the kinetic term is also unchanged: $1/2mv^2 \rightarrow 1/2mv^2\alpha/\beta^2$. That is, $\beta = \sqrt{\alpha} \implies t \propto \sqrt{m}$ which tells us

$$\frac{t_2}{t_1} = \sqrt{\frac{m_2}{m_1}}$$

- (b) Part c): *Find the ratio of times in the same path for particles with the same mass but moving [in] different potentials U_1, U_2 , where $U_2/U_1 = c$, a constant.* Likewise, if the two setups differ by changing $U \rightarrow cU$ (i.e. $U_2 = cU_1$), then we must have $t \rightarrow \beta t$ s.t. $1/2mv^2 \rightarrow 1/2mv^2/\beta^2 = 1/2mv^2c$. This shows that $\beta = 1/\sqrt{c} \implies t \propto 1/\sqrt{U}$ showing that

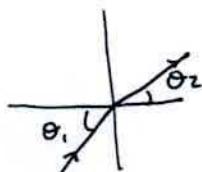
$$\frac{t_2}{t_1} = \sqrt{\frac{U_1}{U_2}}$$

- (c) Part d): *What problem in optics does this problem resemble?* This problem resembles Snell's Law of refraction. Like Snell's law, we see that the particle paths bend when they cross the boundary. However, a key difference exists: In Snell's law, $\sin \theta \propto v$ whereas here $\sin \theta \propto 1/v$. This represents the fact that light waves refract towards areas with slower wave speed whereas particles refract away from areas with slower particle speed.

→ Alternative solution to (a):

the potential energy is independent of the coordinates whose axes are parallel to the plane separating the half-spaces

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} & \bullet mv_1 \sin \theta_1 = mv_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ & \bullet \frac{1}{2}mv_1^2 + U_1 = \frac{1}{2}mv_2^2 + U_2 \end{aligned}$$



⇒ Solution.

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$$3.a \quad L = -mc^2 \left(1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} - V(\vec{r})$$

$$\vec{p} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\vec{r}}} = \frac{m\dot{\vec{r}}}{\left(1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \vec{r}} = -\frac{\partial V(\vec{r})}{\partial \vec{r}} = -\nabla V(\vec{r})$$

The eq. of motion is then

$$\left[\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = -\nabla V(\vec{r}) \right]$$

since $\vec{p} = \gamma m \vec{v}$ is the correct relativistic momentum, the Lagrangian reproduces relativistic mechanics. Explicitly,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} &= m\ddot{\vec{r}} \left(1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} + \cancel{\frac{m\dot{\vec{r}}}{\left(1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}} \frac{\dot{\vec{r}} \cdot \ddot{\vec{r}}}{c^2}} \\ &= \gamma m \ddot{\vec{r}} + \gamma^3 m \dot{\vec{r}} \left(\frac{\dot{\vec{r}} \cdot \ddot{\vec{r}}}{c^2}\right) = -\nabla V(\vec{r}) \end{aligned}$$

b. As found above,

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{p} &= \gamma m \vec{v} \\ \text{so } H &= \vec{p} \cdot \dot{\vec{r}} - L = -\gamma m v^2 + \frac{mc^2}{\gamma} + V(\vec{r}) \\ &= \frac{m(v^2 + c^2(1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2}{c^2}))}{\left(1 - \frac{\dot{r}^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}}, V(\vec{r}) = \underbrace{\gamma mc^2 + V(\vec{r})}_{\gamma mc^2 + V(\vec{r})} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4 &= \frac{m^2 c^2 v^2}{1 - v^2/c^2} + m^2 c^4 \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{m^2 c^4}{\left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)} \quad \text{so indeed} \end{aligned}$$

$$H = \gamma m c^2 + V(\vec{r}) = \frac{(p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4)^{1/2}}{\gamma} + V(\vec{r})$$

This is a const. of the motion since $\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = 0$

c. If $V = V(r)$, then

$$\dot{\vec{p}} = -\nabla V = -\frac{\partial}{\partial r} V(r) \hat{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{r} \times \vec{p}) &= \dot{\vec{r}} \times \vec{p} + \vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{p}} \\ &= \gamma m (\dot{\vec{r}} \times \vec{p}) + \vec{r} \times (-V'(r) \hat{r}) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\vec{r} \times \vec{p}$ is a const of the motion.

Since angular momentum is conserved,
the particle moves in a plane.

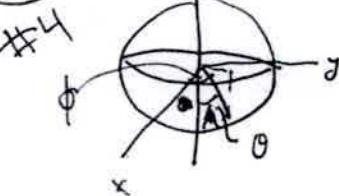
Orient \hat{z} normal to this plane, so that $p_\theta = 0$

$$\text{and } \Theta = \frac{\pi}{2}. \text{ Then } p^2 = \frac{p_r^2}{r^2} + \frac{p_\phi^2}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} + \frac{p_\theta^2}{r^2}$$

$$= p_r^2 + \frac{p_\phi^2}{r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = C \left(p_r^2 + \frac{p_\phi^2}{r^2} + m^2 c^2 \right)^{1/2} + V(r)$$

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$$L = \frac{1}{2} I (r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \cdot \dot{\phi}^2) + m g l \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} I (\ell^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta \cdot \dot{\phi}^2) + m g l \cos \theta$$

$$P_\theta = \frac{dL}{d\dot{\theta}} = m \ell^2 \dot{\theta} \Rightarrow \dot{\theta} = P_\theta / m \ell^2$$

$$P_\phi = \frac{dL}{d\dot{\phi}} = m \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta \cdot \dot{\phi} \Rightarrow \dot{\phi} = P_\phi / m \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$H = \sum_i P_i \dot{q}_i - L = \frac{P_\theta^2}{m \ell^2} + \frac{P_\phi^2}{m \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta} - \frac{1}{2} I \left(\ell^2 \cdot \frac{P_\theta^2}{(m \ell^2)^2} + \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta \cdot \frac{P_\phi^2}{(m \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta)^2} \right) - m g l \cos \theta$$

$$H_+ = \frac{P_\theta^2}{2 m \ell^2} + \frac{P_\phi^2}{2 m \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta} - m g l \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\phi} = \dot{\phi} \Rightarrow \frac{P_\phi}{m \ell^2 \sin^2 \theta} = \dot{\phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\theta} = \dot{\theta} \Rightarrow \frac{P_\theta}{m \ell^2} = \dot{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{P}_\theta = \ddot{\theta} m \ell^2$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = \ddot{\phi} \Rightarrow \ddot{\phi} = -\dot{P}_\phi \Rightarrow P_\phi = \text{const.}$$

(I'm interpreting
expel Hamiltonian as
expel Hamiltonian equations
of motion...)

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \theta} = -\dot{P}_\theta \Rightarrow m g l \sin \theta - \left(\frac{P_\theta^2}{m \ell^2} \right) \cdot \frac{(\cos \theta)}{\sin^2 \theta} = \dot{P}_\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow m g l \sin \theta - m \ell^2 \dot{\theta}^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = -\ddot{\theta} m \ell^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} \sin \theta - \dot{\theta}^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

For uniform circular motion $\ddot{\theta} = \dot{\theta} = 0$.

$$\cos \theta_0 = \frac{g}{\ell \dot{\theta}^2}$$

~~Near Uniform Circular Motion:~~

~~$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} (\sin \theta_0 + \cos \theta_0 (\theta - \theta_0) - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^2 \sin^2 \theta_0) - \dot{\theta}^2 (\sin \theta_0 + \cos \theta_0 (\theta - \theta_0)) (\cos \theta_0 - \sin \theta_0 (\theta - \theta_0)) = 0.$$~~

~~$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} (\cos \theta_0 \cdot (\theta - \theta_0) - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^2 \sin^2 \theta_0) - \dot{\theta}^2 (-\sin^2 \theta_0 \cdot (\theta - \theta_0) + \cos^2 \theta_0 \cdot (\theta - \theta_0) - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^2 \cos^2 \theta_0) = 0.$$~~

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This works out better if we use

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} \sin \theta - \left(\frac{p_\theta}{m\ell^2} \right)^2 \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^3 \theta} = 0$$

$$\text{Note: } \frac{\cos \theta}{(\sin \theta)^3} \approx \frac{\cos \theta_0 - \sin \theta_0 \cdot \epsilon}{(\sin \theta_0 + \epsilon \cdot \cos \theta_0)} = \frac{\cos \theta_0 - \epsilon \sin \theta_0}{\sin^3 \theta_0 (1 + \epsilon \cdot \frac{\cos \theta_0}{\sin \theta_0})^3} \approx \frac{(\cos \theta_0 - \epsilon \cdot \sin \theta_0)(1 - 3 \frac{\cos \theta_0}{\sin \theta_0} \epsilon)}{\sin^3 \theta_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} (\sin \theta_0 + \epsilon \cdot \cos \theta_0) - \left(\frac{p_\theta}{m\ell^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\cos \theta_0}{\sin^3 \theta_0} - \frac{3 \cos^2 \theta_0 \epsilon}{\sin^4 \theta_0} - \epsilon \cdot \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta_0} \right) = 0.$$

$$\text{recall } \cos \theta_0 = \frac{g}{\ell \dot{\phi}_0^2}, \quad \dot{\phi}_0^2 = \frac{p_\theta}{m\ell^2 \sin^2 \theta_0}, \quad \left(\frac{p_\theta}{m\ell^2} \right)^2 = \dot{\phi}_0^4 \sin^4 \theta_0.$$

~~$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} (\sin \theta_0 + \epsilon \cdot \cos \theta_0) - \left(\frac{g}{\ell \dot{\phi}_0^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\cos \theta_0}{\sin^3 \theta_0} - \frac{3 \cos^2 \theta_0 \epsilon}{\sin^4 \theta_0} - \epsilon \cdot \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta_0} \right) = 0$$~~

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{g}{\ell} \sin \theta_0 - \dot{\phi}_0^2 \sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0 \right)}_{= 0, \text{ since } \dot{\phi}_0^2 \cos \theta_0 = g/\ell} + \epsilon \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{g}{\ell} \cos \theta_0 + 3 \dot{\phi}_0^2 \cos^2 \theta_0 + \dot{\phi}_0^4 \sin^2 \theta_0 \right)}_{\epsilon \cdot \dot{\phi}_0^2 (4 \cos^2 \theta_0 + 1 - \epsilon \cos^2 \theta_0)} = 0$$

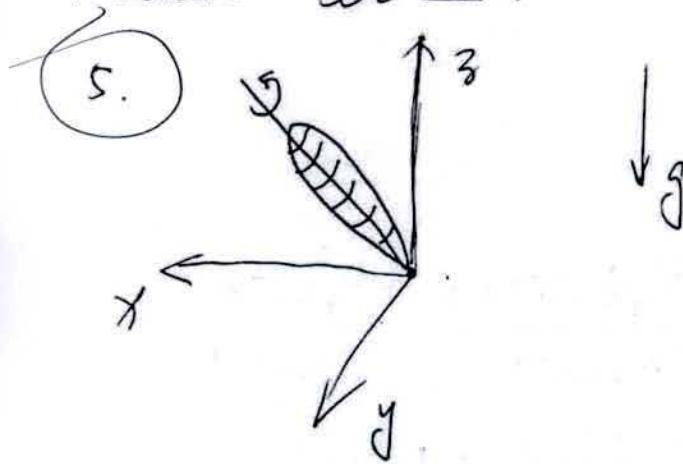
$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\theta} = -\epsilon \cdot \dot{\phi}_0^2 (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta_0)$$

$$\boxed{\ddot{\theta} = -\epsilon \cdot \frac{g}{\ell \cos \theta_0} \cdot (1 + 3 \cos^2 \theta_0)}$$

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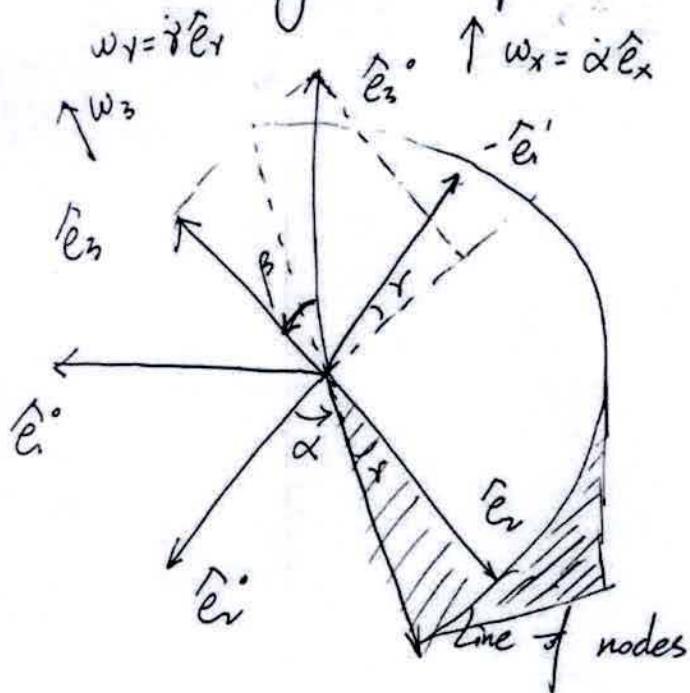
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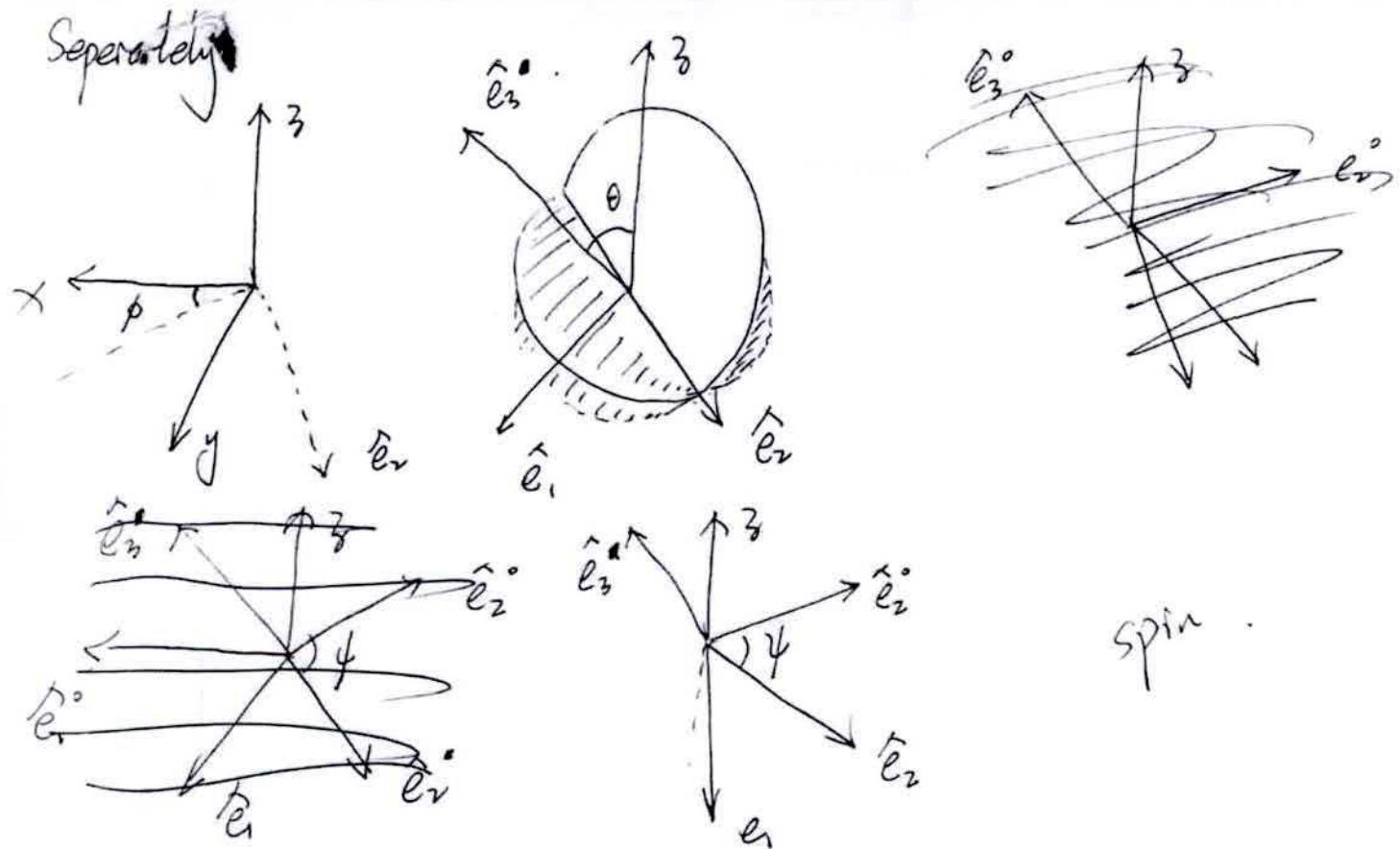


Euler Angles Definition. α . β . γ

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$$\omega_\beta = \dot{\beta} \hat{e}_p$$



$$\vec{\omega} = \dot{\phi} \hat{e}_z + \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_x + \dot{\psi} \hat{e}_y$$

$$\hat{e}_y = \cos\theta \hat{e}_3^\circ - \sin\theta \hat{e}_1 \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{\omega} = -\dot{\phi} \sin\theta \hat{e}_1 + \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_2 + (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta) \hat{e}_3}$$

Angular Momentum \vec{L} ($\lambda_1, \omega_1, \lambda_2, \omega_2, \lambda_3, \omega_3$)

$$\vec{L} = -\lambda_1 \dot{\phi} \sin\theta \hat{e}_1 + \lambda_2 \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_2 + \lambda_3 (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta) \hat{e}_3$$

$$\text{As a symmetric top, } \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 : \quad \underline{\underline{T = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2) + \frac{1}{2} I_3 \omega_3^2}}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (\dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2\theta + \dot{\theta}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_3 (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta)^2 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} L = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_1 (\dot{\phi}^2 \sin^2\theta + \dot{\theta}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_3 (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta) \\ - M g R \cos\theta \end{array} \right.$$

$$U = MgR \cos\theta$$

$$\boxed{P_\theta = \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = \lambda_1 \dot{\theta}}$$

$$\boxed{P_\psi = \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\psi}} = \lambda_3 (\dot{\psi} + \dot{\phi} \cos\theta)}$$

$$\boxed{P_\phi = \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = \lambda_1 \dot{\phi} \sin^2\theta + P_\psi \cos\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{(\lambda_1 \dot{\phi} \sin^2\theta)^2}{2\lambda_1 \sin^2\theta} + \frac{\lambda_1}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{P_\theta}{\lambda_1} \right)^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{2} \left(\frac{P_\psi}{\lambda_3} \right)^2 = \frac{(P_\phi - P_\psi \cos\theta)^2}{2\lambda_1 \sin^2\theta} + \frac{P_\theta^2}{2\lambda_1} + \frac{P_\psi^2}{2\lambda_3}$$

$$\therefore H = T + MgR \cos\theta = \sum p_i \dot{q}_i - L$$

Show explicitly:

$$H = P_\theta \dot{\theta} + P_4 \dot{q} + P_q \dot{\phi} - L$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{P_\theta}{\lambda_1} ; \quad \dot{q} = \frac{P_4}{\lambda_3} - \dot{\phi} \cos \theta ; \quad \dot{\phi} = \frac{P_q - P_4 \cos \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow P_\theta \dot{\theta} = \frac{P_\theta^2}{\lambda_1} ; \quad P_4 \dot{q} + P_q \dot{\phi} = \frac{P_4^2}{\lambda_3} - P_4 \dot{\phi} \cos \theta + \frac{P_q^2}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} - \frac{P_q P_4 \cos \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$P_4 = \lambda_3 \dot{q} + \lambda_3 \dot{\phi} \cos \theta$$

$$P_q = \lambda_1 \dot{\phi} \sin^2 \theta + P_4 \cos \theta$$

$$P_q \dot{\phi} = \frac{P_q}{\lambda_1} (P_q - P_4 \cos \theta) \sec^2 \theta$$

$$P_4 \dot{q} = \frac{P_4^2}{\lambda_3} + \frac{P_4}{\lambda_1} (P_4 \cos \theta - P_q) \cot \theta \cosec \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{P_\theta^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{P_4^2}{\lambda_3} + \frac{P_q^2}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} - \frac{P_q P_4 \cos \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} + \frac{P_4^2 \cot^2 \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} - \frac{P_4 P_q \cos \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} - L$$

$$\left[H = \frac{P_\theta^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{(P_q - P_4 \cos \theta)^2}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} + \frac{P_4^2}{\lambda_3} - L \right]$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(P_q - P_4 \cos \theta)^2}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_\theta^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_4^2}{\lambda_3} - MgR \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_\theta^2}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{P_4^2}{\lambda_3} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(P_q - P_4 \cos \theta)^2}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} + MgR \cos \theta}$$

Hamilton Equations:

$$\dot{\phi} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\phi} = \frac{P_\phi - P_4 \cos \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} = 31.3 \text{a in FW}$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\theta} = \frac{P_\theta}{\lambda_1}$$

$$\dot{\psi} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\psi} = - \frac{P_\phi - P_4 \cos \theta}{\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} \cos \theta + \frac{P_\psi}{\lambda_3} = 31.3 \text{b in FW}$$

$$\dot{P}_\phi = P_\psi = 0 \quad \left. \right\} = 31.2 \text{a/b in FW}$$

$$P_\theta = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial \theta} = MgR \sin \theta + \frac{-2(P_\phi - P_4 \cos \theta) \sin \theta}{2\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta} + \frac{(P_\phi - P_4 \cos \theta)^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{(2\lambda_1 \sin^2 \theta)^2 2\lambda_1}$$

$$= \frac{(P_\phi \cos \theta - P_\phi) [(P_\phi \cos \theta - P_\phi) \cos \theta + \sin^2 \theta]}{\lambda_1 \sin^3 \theta} + MgR \sin \theta$$

$$\dot{P}_\theta = - \frac{1}{\lambda_1 \sin^3 \theta} (- (P_\phi^2 + P_\psi^2) \cos \theta + P_\phi P_\psi (1 + \cos^2 \theta)) + MgR \sin \theta$$

where P_ϕ, P_ψ are constants

$$\text{so } \ddot{\lambda_1 \theta} = \dot{P}_\theta \text{ reduces to } 31.5 \text{a in FW}$$

$$\text{Now: } \dot{\theta} d\theta = \frac{d\dot{\theta}}{dt} d\theta = \dot{\theta} d\dot{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \int \dot{\theta} d\dot{\theta} = \int \dot{P}_\theta d\theta \quad \left. \right\} \text{ can integrate for solution } \checkmark$$

function of θ

#6

a) Lagrangian density

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left(\frac{d\psi^*}{dx} \right) \left(\frac{d\psi}{dx} \right) - \psi^* (U - E) \psi$$

so equation for ψ^* is given by

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial d\psi^* / dx} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \psi^*} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + U\psi = E\psi$$

which is the time-independent Schrödinger equation

(b) the Lagrangian is invariant under gauge symmetry

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{\frac{i\theta}{\hbar}} \psi$$

$$\psi^* \rightarrow e^{-\frac{i\theta}{\hbar}} \psi^*$$

phase rotation

not gauge since $\theta \neq \theta(x)$

$$\theta \rightarrow \delta\theta \Rightarrow \psi \rightarrow \psi + \cancel{\frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{d\theta}{dt}} \psi e^{\frac{i\delta\theta}{\hbar}} \sim \psi + (\delta\theta) Q_\psi$$

$$\psi^* \rightarrow \psi^* + \cancel{\frac{1}{\hbar} \frac{d\theta}{dt}} \psi^* e^{-\frac{i\delta\theta}{\hbar}} \sim \psi^* - \frac{i}{\hbar} \psi^* (\delta\theta)$$

from Noether's theorem

$$\cancel{\int j_\mu dx} \quad j_\mu = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \psi)} \delta \phi_\mu$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } & Q_\psi = \frac{i}{\hbar} \psi \\ & Q_{\psi^*} = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \psi^* \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{here } \Rightarrow j &= - \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \frac{d\psi}{dx}} \right) Q_\psi - \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \frac{d\psi^*}{dx}} \right) Q_{\psi^*} \\ &= \frac{\hbar}{2m} \left[\psi^* \frac{d\psi}{dx} - \frac{d\psi^*}{dx} \psi \right] \end{aligned}$$

which is the current we want \Rightarrow for time-independent \mathcal{L}

$$\cancel{\int j dx} \Rightarrow \frac{d\int j dx}{dt} = 0$$

for probability density $P = \psi^* \psi$

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial (P \psi^* \psi)}{\partial t} = \left(\psi^* \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \psi^* \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right)$$

for $\hat{E} = i\hbar \cancel{\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}}$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{\frac{d\psi}{dt}} = \frac{1}{i\hbar} \cancel{\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t}} \left[\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi}{dx^2} + U\psi \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\psi^*}{dt} = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi^*}{dx^2} + U\psi^* \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial P}{\partial t}} = \frac{-i}{\hbar} \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi^*}{dx^2} \right] \psi - U\psi^* \psi - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2\psi^*}{dx^2} \psi + U\psi^* \psi$$

$$= -\frac{d\psi}{dx} = 0$$

~~or if we know the time dependence Schrödinger equation.~~

\Rightarrow probability is ~~not~~ conserved

And if we can get time-dependent Schrödinger equation
we can use Noether's theorem in 4-vector form

(7) (a) $L = L(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q}, t)$

$$S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q}, t) dt \quad , \text{ consider } q = q + \delta q$$

$$\text{Then } \delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q}, t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L(q + \delta q, \dot{q} + \delta \dot{q}, \ddot{q} + \delta \ddot{q}, t) dt$$

$$= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(L(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q}, t) - L(q + \delta q, \dot{q} + \delta \dot{q}, \ddot{q} + \delta \ddot{q}, t) \right) dt$$

First order Approx in Sg ~~W₁₁₁~~

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \delta q + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta \dot{q} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \delta \ddot{q} \right) dt$$

We will use $\delta \ddot{q} = \frac{d}{dt} \delta q$, $\delta \ddot{\ddot{q}} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \delta q$

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{dL}{dq} \delta q + \frac{dL}{dq} \frac{d\delta q}{dt} + \frac{dL}{dq} \frac{d^2 \delta q}{dt^2} \right) dt$$

$$\textcircled{1}: \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{dL}{dq} \frac{dq}{dt} \right) dt : \text{ let } u = \frac{dq}{dt}, \quad dv = \frac{dL}{dq}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} S_2 \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2} - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} S_2 \right) dt$$

o b.c. fixed endpoints

⑦ continued #1

$$\begin{aligned}
 ② \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \delta q \right) dt &= \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right) \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2} - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left[\left(\frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right) \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \right) \right] dt \\
 &= \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right) \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2}}_{\textcircled{a} \text{ if we pick } \frac{d\delta q(t_1, t_2)}{dt} = 0} - \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right) \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2}}_{\textcircled{b} \text{ fixed endpoints}} + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \delta q \right) dt
 \end{aligned}$$

which we will do.

Recap: $\delta S = \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \delta q + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q - \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right)}_{\text{All vanish}} \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2} + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \right) \delta q dt = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} = 0}$$

(7)

continued #2

$$0 = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}}$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \dot{q} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \ddot{q} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \dddot{q}$$

b) $\frac{dL}{dt} = \dot{q} \left(\frac{\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} - \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}}}{\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}}} \right) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \ddot{q} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \dddot{q}$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\dot{q} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} - \dot{q} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} + \dot{q} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \underbrace{\left[\dot{q} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \right) + \dot{q} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} - L \right]}_E = 0$

Conserved Quantity (Analogy of Energy)

For $L(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q})$ we find $\frac{d}{dt} \underbrace{\left[\dot{q} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} - L \right]}_E = 0$

~~we~~ Could Express $\frac{d}{dt} \left[\dot{q} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \right) + \dot{q} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} - L \right] = 0$

or $\frac{d}{dt} \left[E - \underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}}}_{\text{Corrections to Energy}} + \dot{q} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}} \right] = 0$

⑦ continued #1

(Alternative method (i.b) to I.B.P).

$$S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left[\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) \delta q + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \frac{d^2 \delta q}{dt^2} \right] dt = 0$$

Using i.b.p twice more gets us a term \star of the

form $\left. \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right) \right|_{t_1}^{t_2}$, which \rightarrow see no reason

for it to be zero. Instead, we are going to apply

a math theorem: Given continuous functions f_0, f_1, \dots, f_n on (a, b) satisfying

$$\int_a^b [f_0(x)h(x) + f_1(x)h'(x) + f_2(x)h''(x) + \dots + f_n(x)h^{(n)}(x)] dx = 0 \quad \text{for}$$

all smooth functions $h(x)$ on (a, b) , then there exist continuously differentiable functions u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{n-1} on (a, b) such that

$$f_0 = u_0', f_1 = u_0 + u_1', \dots, f_{n-1} = u_{n-2} + u_{n-1}', f_n = u_{n-1}, \text{ everywhere in } (a, b).$$

$$\text{For us, } f_0 = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right), f_1 = 0, f_2 = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}}, h(x) = \delta q(t).$$

This theorem tells us:

$$f_0 = u_0', f_1 = u_0 + u_1', f_2 = u_1,$$

$$\text{Using } f_1 = 0, 0 = u_0' + u_1' \Rightarrow 0 = f_0 + f_2$$

equation of motion.

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{q}}$$

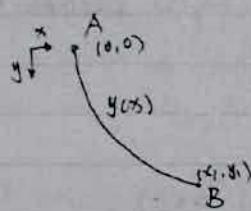
Note: this is equivalent to setting $\left. \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \frac{d}{dt} \delta q \right) \right|_{t_1}^{t_2} = 0$.

Calculus of Variations

problem of brachistochrone

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8)



Suppose A is the origin $(0,0)$ and B has coordinates (x_1, y_1) . $y = y(x)$ is the curve along which we could descend in the least time from A to B.

So $ds = \sqrt{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2} dx$ along this curve.

And according to energy conservation, we have

$$\frac{1}{2}m\left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = mg y$$

$$\text{So } dt = \sqrt{\frac{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}{2gy}} dx$$

We could get the total time taken from A to B.

$$T = \int_0^{x_1} \sqrt{\frac{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}{2gy}} dx$$

so we take $\delta T = 0$ for getting least time T .

It's kind of Lagrangian where

$$L' = \sqrt{\frac{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}{2gy}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})}\right) = \frac{\partial L'}{\partial y}$$

so we get equation:

$$\begin{matrix} L' \Rightarrow L \\ x \Rightarrow t \\ y \Rightarrow x \end{matrix}$$

However it's hard to solve it. We consider

$$H' = \frac{\partial L'}{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} - L' = \frac{(\frac{dy}{dx})^2}{2gy\sqrt{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}} - \sqrt{\frac{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}{2gy}} = \frac{-1}{2gy\sqrt{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}}$$

$$\text{We have } \frac{dH'}{dx} = -\frac{\partial L'}{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \frac{dy}{dx} \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})}\right) - \frac{\partial L'}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx} - \frac{\partial L'}{\partial(\frac{dy}{dx})} \frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\text{So } H' = \frac{-1}{2gy\sqrt{1 + (\frac{dy}{dx})^2}} = \text{const} \triangleq C$$

$$\text{So } y \left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right)^2 \right] = \frac{1}{2rC^2} \triangleq 2r \quad \text{Impose variable } \theta \text{ where } x = x_0$$

$$\text{Suppose } \frac{dy}{dx} = \cot \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$\text{we have } y = 2r \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = r(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\text{Then } dy = r \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$\text{we have } \frac{dx}{d\theta} = r \sin \theta \cdot \tan \frac{\theta}{2} = 2r \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} = r(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\text{So } x = r(\theta - \sin \theta) + x_0$$

Plug (0,0) into x-y we have

$$\begin{cases} x = r(\theta - \sin \theta) \\ y = r(1 - \cos \theta) \end{cases}$$

where r could be given by

$B(x_1, y_1)$, θ is a real parameter, corresponding to the angle through which the rolling circle has rotated.

Cycloid: A curve traced by a point on the rim of a

circular wheel as it rolls along a straight line without slippage.

$$x = r \cos^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{y}{r} \right) - \sqrt{r(2r-y)}$$