

Phys 503

Homework # 1

Solution Set

1.1. Goldstein 1.8.

Lagrange's equations: $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} = 0, \quad j=1, \dots, n$

$$L' = L + \underbrace{\frac{dF(q_1, \dots, q_n, t)}{dt}}_{\substack{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial F}{\partial q_j} \dot{q}_j + \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} \\ \uparrow \text{fun. of } q_1, \dots, q_n, t}}$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}_j}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) + \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) + \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial q_k \partial \dot{q}_j} \dot{q}_k + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial t \partial \dot{q}_j}}_{\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial q_k \partial \dot{q}_j} \dot{q}_k + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial t \partial \dot{q}_j}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial q_k \partial \dot{q}_j} \dot{q}_k + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial \dot{q}_j \partial t}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) - \frac{\partial L'}{\partial q_j}, \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

This invariance is obvious from Hamilton's principle since the action satisfies

$$\begin{aligned}
I' [q_1(t), \dots, q_n(t)] &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt L' \\
&= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \left(L + \frac{dF}{dt} \right) \\
&= I [q_1(t), \dots, q_n(t)] + \underbrace{F(q_1(t), \dots, q_n(t), t) \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2}}
\end{aligned}$$

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This is a constant under variations since the generalized coordinates are held constant at t_1 and t_2 .

Thus $\delta I' = \delta I$, and the Lagrange equations must be the same.

1.2. Goldstein 1.9:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 - q\phi + \frac{q}{c} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{A}$$

Under a gauge transformation,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &\rightarrow \phi' = \phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \\ \vec{A} &\rightarrow \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \psi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L' &= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 - q\phi' + \frac{q}{c} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{A}' \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 - q\phi + \frac{q}{c} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{A} + \frac{q}{c} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + \frac{q}{c} \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \psi \end{aligned}$$


$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{q}{c} \left(\sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_j} \frac{dx_j}{dt} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \frac{dt}{dt} \right) \\ &= \frac{q}{c} \frac{d}{dt} \psi(\vec{r}, t) \end{aligned}$$

Adding a total time derivative to the Lagrangian has no effect on the equations of motion.

1.3. $\nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{e}_j \epsilon_{jkl} A_{l,k}$

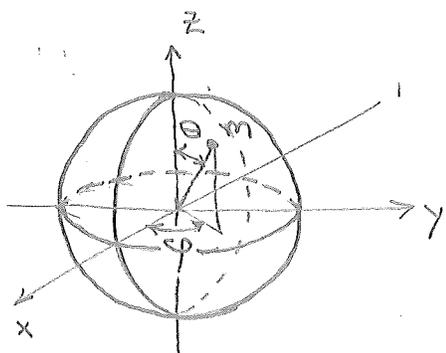
$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) &= \vec{e}_j \epsilon_{jkl} (\nabla \times \vec{A})_{l,k} \\ &= \epsilon_{lmn} A_{n,m} \\ &= \vec{e}_j \epsilon_{jkl} \epsilon_{lmn} A_{n,mk} \\ &= \epsilon_{ljk} \epsilon_{lmn} \delta_{jm} \delta_{kn} - \epsilon_{ljk} \epsilon_{lmn} \delta_{jn} \delta_{km} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \vec{e}_j \delta_{jm} \delta_{kn} A_{n,mk} - \vec{e}_j \delta_{jn} \delta_{km} A_{n,mk} \\ &= \vec{e}_j A_{k,jk} - \vec{e}_j A_{j,kk} = \nabla^2 \vec{A} \\ &= \vec{e}_j A_{k,kj} \\ &= \vec{e}_j (\nabla \cdot \vec{A})_{,j} \\ &= \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{A}) = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) - \nabla^2 \vec{A}$$

1.4. Goldstein 1.19

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The mass m is constrained to move on a sphere of radius l . Use spherical coordinates θ and φ .

Distances on the sphere are governed by the metric

$$ds^2 = l^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2),$$

so the squared velocity is

$$v^2 = \left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = l^2 (\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2\theta \dot{\varphi}^2)$$

You can also get this from

$$\vec{r} = \underbrace{l \cos\theta \cos\varphi}_{x} \vec{e}_x + \underbrace{l \cos\theta \sin\varphi}_{y} \vec{e}_y + \underbrace{l \sin\theta}_{z} \vec{e}_z$$

$$\vec{v} = \dot{\vec{r}} = l \left[\underbrace{\dot{\theta} (\cos\theta \cos\varphi \vec{e}_x + \cos\theta \sin\varphi \vec{e}_y - \sin\theta \vec{e}_z)}_{\vec{A}} + \underbrace{\dot{\varphi} (-\sin\theta \sin\varphi \vec{e}_x + \sin\theta \cos\varphi \vec{e}_y)}_{\vec{B}} \right]$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{A} = \cos^2\theta (\cos^2\varphi + \sin^2\varphi) + \sin^2\theta = 1$$

$$\vec{B} \cdot \vec{B} = \sin^2\theta (\sin^2\varphi + \cos^2\varphi) = \sin^2\theta$$

$$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = -\cos\theta \sin\theta \cos\varphi \sin\varphi + \cos\theta \sin\theta \sin\varphi \cos\varphi = 0$$

$$\therefore v^2 = l^2 (\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2\theta \dot{\varphi}^2)$$

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} m l^2 (\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) - m g l \cos \theta$$

\downarrow \rightarrow $m g z = m g l \cos \theta$
 $\frac{1}{2} m v^2$

We get the same equations using

$$L' = L/m l = \frac{1}{2} l (\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) - g \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \theta} = l \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 + g \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = l \dot{\theta}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = l \ddot{\theta}$$

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

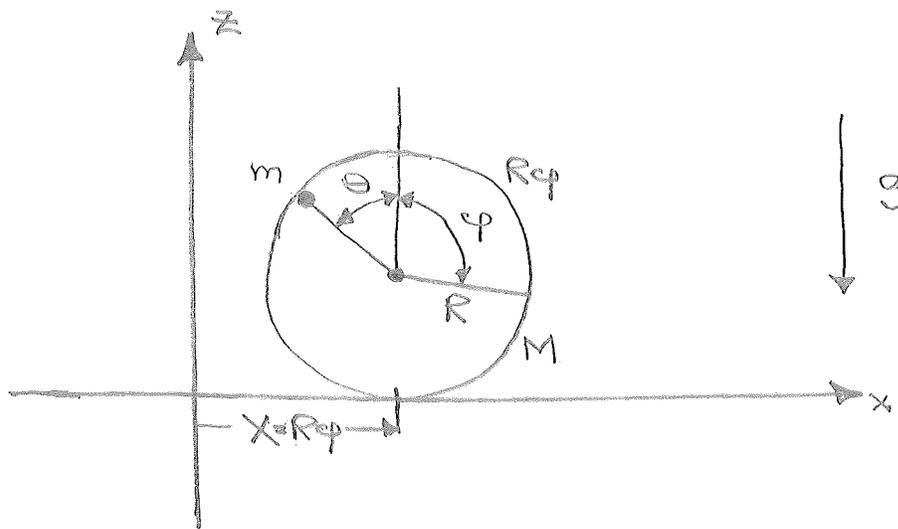
component of centripetal acceleration along θ -direction

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \varphi} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} = l \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} \right) = 2 l \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\theta} \dot{\varphi} + l \sin^2 \theta \ddot{\varphi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{0 = \frac{d}{dt} (l \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}) = 2 l \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\theta} \dot{\varphi} + l \sin^2 \theta \ddot{\varphi}}$$

(conserved angular momentum)



Hollow cylinder of mass M and radius R , rolls without slipping. Rolling constraint implies $R\dot{\varphi} = \dot{X}$. Particle of mass m is attached to the interior of the cylinder and slides without friction. Its inertial coordinates are $x = X - R\sin\theta$ and $z = R + R\cos\theta$, which means that the components of the inertial velocity are $\dot{x} = \dot{X} - R\dot{\theta}\cos\theta$ and $\dot{z} = -R\dot{\theta}\sin\theta$.

$$(a) T_{\text{cylinder}} = \frac{1}{2}M\dot{X}^2 + \frac{1}{2}MR^2\dot{\varphi}^2 = M\dot{X}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\text{particle}} &= \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{z}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{X} - R\dot{\theta}\cos\theta)^2 + \frac{1}{2}mR^2\dot{\theta}^2\sin^2\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2}m\dot{X}^2 - mR\dot{\theta}\dot{X}\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2}mR^2\dot{\theta}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$T = T_{\text{cylinder}} + T_{\text{particle}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(\underbrace{2M + m}_{M'})\dot{X}^2 - mR\dot{\theta}\dot{X}\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2}mR^2\dot{\theta}^2$$

$$V = mg(z - R) = mgR \cos \theta$$

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} M' \dot{x}^2 - mR \dot{\theta} \dot{x} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} mR^2 \dot{\theta}^2 - mgR \cos \theta$$

$$M' = 2M + m$$

(b) x is cyclic, so

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P_x = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = M' \dot{x} - mR \dot{\theta} \cos \theta = 2M \dot{x} + m \dot{x}$$

is conserved. Notice that the x -component of the total momentum

$$P_x = M \dot{x} + m \dot{x} = P_x - M \dot{x},$$

is not conserved, because there is a force on the system — the frictional force that causes the cylinder to roll. The other conserved

quantity is the energy:

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad E &= P_x \dot{x} + P_\theta \dot{\theta} - L = \text{(Jacobi integral)} \\ &= T + V \\ &= \frac{1}{2} M' \dot{x}^2 - mR \dot{\theta} \dot{x} \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} mR^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + mgR \cos \theta \\ &= M \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{\theta}^2 + mgR \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

We imagine the particle is given a tiny positive $\dot{\theta}$ to get it away from the unstable equilibrium.

(c) $t=0: \theta=0, \dot{\theta}=0, \dot{x}=0$

$$0 = P_x = M'\dot{X} - mR\dot{\theta}\omega\cos\theta = 2M\dot{X} + m\dot{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} mgR = E &= \frac{1}{2}M'\dot{X}^2 - mR\dot{\theta}\dot{X}\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2}mR^2\dot{\theta}^2 + mgR\cos\theta \\ &= M\dot{X}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{z}^2 + mgR\cos\theta \end{aligned}$$

Inertial velocity V of m at $\theta=\pi$: At $\theta=\pi, \dot{z}=0$, so

$$V = |\dot{x}| = |\dot{X} + R\dot{\theta}|$$

The $\dot{\theta}$ route

$$\dot{X} = \frac{m}{M'} R\dot{\theta}\cos\theta = -\frac{m}{M'} R\dot{\theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}mgR &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{m^2 R^2 \dot{\theta}^2}{M'} - \frac{m^2 R^2 \dot{\theta}^2}{M'} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}mR^2\dot{\theta}^2 - \frac{1}{2}mgR \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} mg &= \frac{1}{2}R\dot{\theta}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\frac{m}{M'}R\dot{\theta}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}R\dot{\theta}^2 \left(1 - \frac{m}{M'}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$R\dot{\theta}^2 = \frac{4g}{1 - m/M'}$$

$$R\dot{\theta} = \sqrt{\frac{2\sqrt{gR}}{1 - m/M'}} \geq 0$$

$$V = R\dot{\theta} \left(1 - \frac{m}{M'}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= 2\sqrt{gR} \sqrt{1 - \frac{m}{M'}} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{gR}}{\sqrt{1 + m/2M}} \end{aligned}$$

The \dot{x} route

$$\dot{X} = -\frac{3}{2M}\dot{x} \text{ at all times}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E \text{ at } \theta=0 & \quad \quad \quad E \text{ at } \theta=\pi \\ \frac{1}{2}mgR &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{m^2 \dot{x}^2}{3} + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 - \frac{1}{2}mgR \\ \frac{1}{2}mgR &= \frac{1}{2}V^2 \left(1 + \frac{3}{2M}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$V = \frac{2\sqrt{gR}}{\sqrt{1 + m/2M}} \geq 0$$

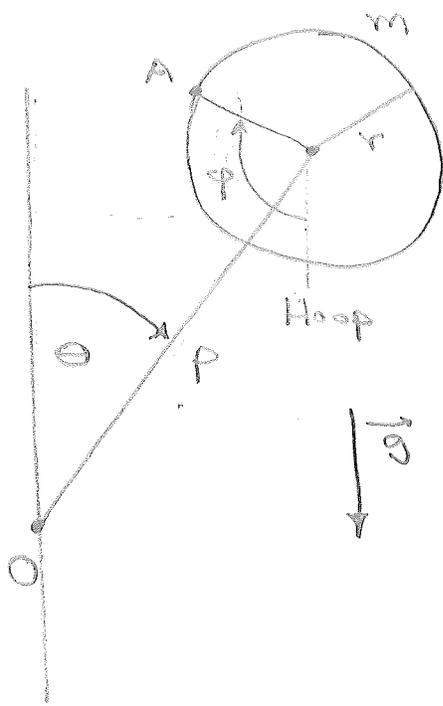
Notice that we also get

$$V = \dot{X} = -\frac{3}{2M}V = -\sqrt{\frac{m}{2M}} \frac{2\sqrt{gR}}{\sqrt{1 + m/2M}}$$

given the initial push

$$1 - \frac{m}{M'} = \frac{2M}{2M+m} = \frac{1}{1 + m/2M}$$

1.6. Goldstein 2.14



Generalized coordinates

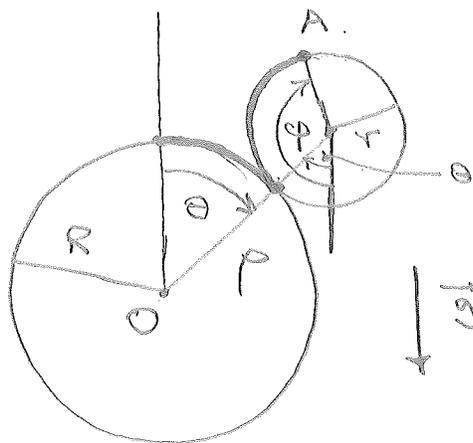
- ① p and θ of center of mass
- ② angle φ of rotation of some point A

$$T_{cm} = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{p}^2 + p^2 \dot{\theta}^2)$$

$$T_{rot} = \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \dot{\varphi}^2$$

$$V = mgz = m g p \cos \theta$$

Put the hoop on cylinder of radius R . Let A be the point that is in contact with the cylinder when $\theta = 0$.



Constraints:

- ① Rolling without slipping

$$R\dot{\theta} = r(\dot{\varphi} - \dot{\theta}) \iff (R+r)\dot{\theta} = r\dot{\varphi}$$

$$r\dot{\varphi} = (R+r)\dot{\theta}$$

- ② $p = R+r$

We can eliminate φ using constraint ①, but we handle constraint ② with a Lagrange multiplier in order to get the radial force of constraint

$$T_{rot} = \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \dot{\varphi}^2 = \frac{1}{2} m (R+r)^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

$$T = T_{cm} + T_{rot} = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{p}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m (p^2 + (R+r)^2) \dot{\theta}^2$$

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{p}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m [p^2 + (R+r)^2] \dot{\theta}^2 - mgp \cos \theta$$

To enforce constraint ②, we use an effective Lagrangian

$$L' = L + \lambda(t) (p - r - R)$$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \frac{\partial L'}{\partial p} = m \dot{p}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{p}} \right) = m \ddot{p}$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial p} = m p \dot{\theta}^2 - mg \cos \theta + \lambda(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{m \ddot{p} = \underbrace{m p \dot{\theta}^2}_{\text{centrifugal force}} - \underbrace{mg \cos \theta}_{\text{gravity}} + \underbrace{\lambda(t)}_{\text{normal (constraint) force}}}$$

Notice that if we eliminate $p = R+r$,

$$L = m(R+r)^2 \dot{\theta}^2 - mg(R+r) \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = -mg(R+r) \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = +mg(R+r) \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cancel{p} (R+r)^2 \ddot{\theta} = \cancel{p} g \sin \theta$$

$$(R+r) \ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{2} g \sin \theta$$

Jacobi integral

$$h = \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} - L$$

$$= m(R+r)^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + mg(R+r) \cos \theta$$

$$= T + V$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad \frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m [p^2 + (R+r)^2] \dot{\theta}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = m [p^2 + (R+r)^2] \ddot{\theta} + 2mp \dot{p} \dot{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial L'}{\partial \theta} = mg p \sin \theta$$

$$\boxed{m [p^2 + (R+r)^2] \ddot{\theta} + 2 \cancel{p} p \dot{p} \dot{\theta} = \cancel{p} g p \sin \theta}$$

$$\textcircled{c} \quad p = R+r \Rightarrow \dot{p} = 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{p} = 0$$

Substitute \textcircled{c} into \textcircled{a} and \textcircled{b}

$$\textcircled{b} \quad R(R+r)\ddot{\theta} = g(R+r)\sin\theta \Rightarrow (R+r)\ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{2}g\sin\theta$$

$$\textcircled{a} \quad \lambda(t) = mg\cos\theta - m(R+r)\dot{\theta}^2$$

The unscrved energy is

$$E = T + V = \frac{1}{2}m(R+r)\dot{\theta}^2 + mg(R+r)\cos\theta = mg(R+r)$$

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Hoop at rest ($\dot{\theta}=0$)
at top ($\theta=0$)

$$\Rightarrow m(R+r)\dot{\theta}^2 + mg\cos\theta = mg$$

$$\lambda(t) = mg\cos\theta - \underbrace{m(R+r)\dot{\theta}^2}_{mg(1-\cos\theta)} = mg(2\cos\theta - 1)$$

The force of constraint, $\lambda(t)$, must be positive. When it is negative, the hoop loses contact with the cylinder. The critical θ is

$$\cos\theta = 1/2 \Rightarrow \theta = 60^\circ$$

What if one used Lagrange multipliers for both constraints?

$$L'' = L + \lambda(t)(p - r - R) + \gamma(t)(R + r)\theta - r\psi$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{p}^2 + p^2\dot{\theta}^2) + \frac{1}{2}mr^2\dot{\psi}^2 - mgp\cos\theta$$

$$\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \dot{p}} = m\dot{p} \quad \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \dot{p}}\right) = m\ddot{p}$$

$$\frac{\partial L''}{\partial p} = mp\dot{\theta}^2 - mg\cos\theta + \lambda(t)$$

$m\ddot{p} = mp\dot{\theta}^2 - mg\cos\theta + \lambda(t)$		
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centrifugal force	gravity	normal force

$$\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = mp^2\dot{\theta} \quad \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \dot{\theta}}\right) = 2mp\dot{p}\dot{\theta} + mp^2\ddot{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \theta} = +mgp\sin\theta + (R+r)\gamma(t)$$

$$mp^2\ddot{\theta} = -2mp\dot{p}\dot{\theta} + mgp\sin\theta + (R+r)\gamma(t)$$

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frictional force -
removes translational
kinetic energy and
turns it into rotational
kinetic energy

$$\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = mr^2 \dot{\phi} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \dot{\phi}} \right) = mr^2 \ddot{\phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial L''}{\partial \phi} = -r\gamma(t)$$

$$mr^2 \ddot{\phi} = \underbrace{-r\gamma(t)}_{\text{frictional torque}}$$

Enforce constraints:

$$\lambda(t) = mg \cos \theta - m r \dot{\theta}^2 = mg(2 \cos \theta - 1)$$

$$\gamma(t) = -mr \ddot{\phi} = -m(R+r)\ddot{\theta} = -\frac{1}{2}mg \sin \theta$$

$$2\mu(R+r)^k \ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{2}mg(R/r) \sin \theta$$

$$(R+r)\ddot{\theta} = \frac{1}{2}g \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{|\gamma(t)|}{\lambda(t)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}mg \sin \theta}{mg(2 \cos \theta - 1)} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin \theta}{2 \cos \theta - 1} \leq \mu$$

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coefficient of static friction

We need an infinite μ to keep the thing from slipping before it loses contact.

1.7. Goldstein 2.16

$$L = e^{\gamma t} \left(\frac{1}{2} m \dot{q}^2 - \frac{1}{2} k q^2 \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} = e^{\gamma t} m \dot{q}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) = \gamma e^{\gamma t} m \dot{q} + e^{\gamma t} m \ddot{q} \\ = e^{\gamma t} (m \ddot{q} + m \gamma \dot{q})$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = -e^{\gamma t} k q$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \Rightarrow \boxed{m \ddot{q} = -m \gamma \dot{q} + k q}$$

This is a damped harmonic oscillator - e.g., a particle of mass m subjected to a restoring force $-kq$ and a frictional force $-m\gamma\dot{q}$.

There are no apparent constants of motion since $\partial L / \partial t \neq 0$

This must be what textbook intended

$$s = e^{\gamma t / 2} q$$

$$q = e^{-\gamma t / 2} s, \quad \dot{q} = e^{-\gamma t / 2} \left(\dot{s} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma s \right)$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m \left(\dot{s} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma s \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} k s^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m \dot{s}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m \gamma \dot{s} s - \frac{1}{2} \left(k - \frac{1}{4} m \gamma^2 \right) s^2$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{s}} = m \left(\dot{s} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma s \right)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{s}} \right) = m \ddot{s} - \frac{1}{2} m \gamma \dot{s}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial s} = +\frac{1}{2} m \dot{s} - \left(k - \frac{1}{4} m \gamma^2\right) s$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{s}} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial s} \Rightarrow \boxed{m \ddot{s} = - \left(k - \frac{1}{4} m \gamma^2\right) s}$$

Since L now has no explicit time dependence, the Jacobi integral is conserved:

$$h = \dot{s} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{s}} - L = m \dot{s} \left(\dot{s} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma s \right) - \frac{1}{2} m \dot{s}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \gamma \dot{s} s + \frac{1}{2} \left(k - \frac{1}{4} m \gamma^2\right) s^2$$

$$\boxed{h = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{s}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(k - \frac{1}{4} m \gamma^2\right) s^2}$$

One can easily verify that this is the 1st integral of the equation of motion.

How to think about it:

$$s = e^{\gamma t/2} g, \quad \dot{s} = e^{\gamma t/2} \left(\dot{g} + \frac{\gamma}{2} g \right)$$

$$h = e^{\gamma t} \left(\frac{1}{2} m \left(\dot{g} + \frac{\gamma}{2} g \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(k - \frac{1}{4} m \gamma^2\right) g^2 \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m \dot{g}^2 + \frac{\gamma}{2} m \dot{g} g + \frac{1}{2} m \frac{\gamma^2}{4} g^2$$

$$= e^{\gamma t} \left(\frac{1}{2} m \dot{g}^2 + \frac{1}{2} k g^2 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{\gamma}{2} m \dot{g} g \right)$$

$$= e^{\gamma t} \left(E + \frac{1}{2} m \gamma \dot{g} g \right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow E = e^{-\gamma t} h - \frac{1}{2} m \gamma \dot{y}^2$$

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Secular damping of the energy

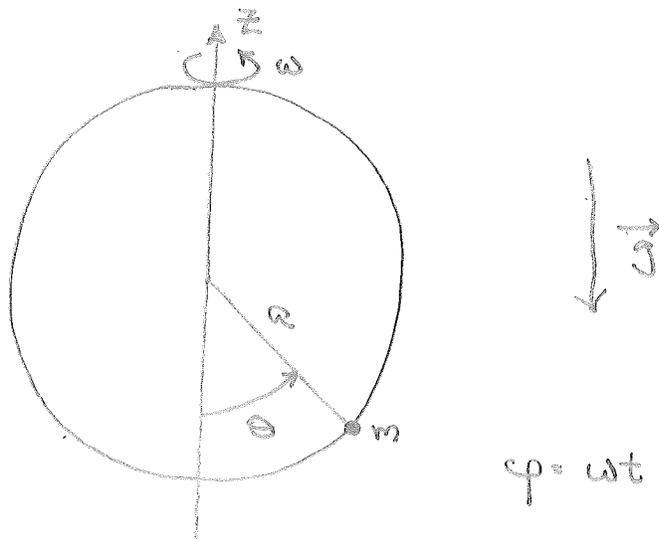
This term is here because the energy is not damped uniformly during a cycle. It is preferentially damped when the oscillator is moving fastest, i.e., near the equilibrium position.

Ignoring for the moment the \dot{y}^2 term, h is conserved because it is the initial energy; i.e., it is the energy multiplied by $e^{\gamma t}$ to get back to the initial energy.

1.8.

Goldstein 2.18

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$$V^2 = a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + a^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 = a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + a^2 \omega^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m V^2 = \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \omega^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$V = mgz = -mga \cos \theta$$

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} m a^2 \omega^2 \sin^2 \theta + mga \cos \theta}_{-V_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m a^2 \dot{\theta}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = m a^2 \ddot{\theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} &= - \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \theta} = m a^2 \omega^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta + mg a \sin \theta \\ &= m a \sin \theta (a \omega^2 \cos \theta - g) \end{aligned}$$

$$-a \ddot{\theta} = \sin \theta (a \omega^2 \cos \theta - g) = - \frac{1}{ma} \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \theta}$$

The Jacobi integral is conserved:

$$h = \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} - L = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} m a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = h}$$

" $m a^2 \dot{\theta}^2$

Equilibrium positions: $0 = \ddot{\theta} \Rightarrow 0 = \sin \theta (a \omega^2 \cos \theta - g)$

① $\sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0$ or $\theta = \pi$

Stability: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta (a \omega^2 \cos \theta - g)) = -\frac{1}{m a} \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \theta^2}$

$$= \cos \theta (a \omega^2 \cos \theta - g) - a \omega^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$= \begin{cases} a \omega^2 - g, & \theta = 0 \\ a \omega^2 + g, & \theta = \pi \end{cases}$$

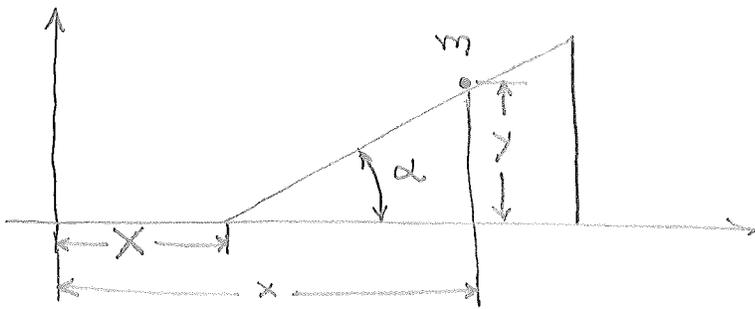
The $\theta = 0$ equilibrium position is stable if $a \omega^2 < g$ and unstable if $a \omega^2 > g$; The $\theta = \pi$ equilibrium position is always unstable because $a \omega^2 + g > 0$.

② $\cos \theta = -g/a \omega^2$; this equilibrium exists only if $g/a \omega^2 \leq 1$, i.e., $\omega \geq \omega_0 = \sqrt{g/a}$.

Stability: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin \theta (a \omega^2 \cos \theta - g)) \Big|_{\cos \theta = g/a \omega^2} = -a \omega^2 \sin^2 \theta < 0$.

This position is always stable if it exists

1.9. Goldstein 2.20



Constraint: $\tan \alpha = \frac{y}{x-X}$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} M \dot{X}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2$$

$$V = mgy$$

① Use the constraint to eliminate $x = X + y/\tan \alpha$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} M \dot{X}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \left(\dot{X} + \dot{y}/\tan \alpha \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} M \dot{X}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \left(\dot{X}^2 + 2\dot{X}\dot{y}/\tan \alpha + \dot{y}^2/\tan^2 \alpha \right) + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (M+m) \dot{X}^2 + \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{X}\dot{y} + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\tan^2 \alpha} \right)$$

$$\qquad \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{\sin^2 \alpha}$$

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} (M+m) \dot{X}^2 + \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{X}\dot{y} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{m}{\sin^2 \alpha} \dot{y}^2 - mgy$$

② $\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{X}} = (M+m)\dot{X} + \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{y}$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial X} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left[(M+m)\dot{X} + \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{y} \right] = 0$$

$= M\dot{X} + m\dot{x} = \text{constant}$
 (conservation of)
 x -momentum

$$\textcircled{b} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} = \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{x} + \frac{m}{\sin \alpha} \dot{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{x} + \frac{m}{\sin \alpha} \dot{y} = -mg$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = -mg$$

$$- \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \frac{m}{M+m} \ddot{y} + \frac{m \ddot{y}}{\sin \alpha}$$

$$= \frac{m}{\sin \alpha} \ddot{y} \left(1 - \frac{m}{m+M} \cos^2 \alpha \right) = -mg$$

The Jacobi integral is conserved:

$$h = \dot{x} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} + \dot{y} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} - L$$

$$= \dot{x} \left[(M+m) \dot{x} + \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{y} \right] + \dot{y} \left[\frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{x} + \frac{m}{\sin \alpha} \dot{y} \right]$$

$$- L$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (M+m) \dot{x}^2 + \frac{m}{\tan \alpha} \dot{x} \dot{y} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{m}{\sin^2 \alpha} \dot{y}^2 + mgy$$

$$h = T + V$$

Now use a Lagrange multiplier to get the constraint forces:

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} M \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2 + mgy$$

$$L' = L + \lambda(t) (x - X) \tan \alpha - y$$

$$\textcircled{a} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = M \dot{x}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = -\lambda(t) \tan \alpha$$

\Rightarrow

$$M \ddot{x} = \underbrace{-\lambda(t) \tan \alpha}_{\text{constraint force}}$$

$$\textcircled{b} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} = m \dot{x}_i$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \lambda(t) \tan \alpha$$



$$m \ddot{x} = \underbrace{\lambda(t) \tan \alpha}_{\text{constraint force}}$$

$$\textcircled{c} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} = m \dot{y}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = -mg - \lambda(t)$$



$$m \ddot{y} = -mg - \underbrace{\lambda(t)}_{\text{constraint force}}$$

$$\textcircled{d} \quad (x - X) \tan \alpha = y$$

$$\textcircled{a} + \textcircled{b} \Rightarrow M \ddot{X} + m \ddot{x} = 0 \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{conservation of} \\ x\text{-momentum} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\textcircled{d} \Rightarrow \ddot{y} = (\ddot{x} - \ddot{X}) \tan \alpha = \left(\ddot{x} + \frac{m}{M} \ddot{x} \right) \tan \alpha = \left(1 + \frac{m}{M} \right) \tan \alpha \ddot{x}$$

$$m \ddot{y} = \frac{m + M}{M} \tan \alpha m \ddot{x} = \lambda(t) \frac{m + M}{M} \tan \alpha = -mg - \lambda(t)$$

$$\lambda(t) \left(1 + \frac{m + M}{M} \tan^2 \alpha \right) = -mg$$

$$\ddot{x} = - \frac{mg}{1 + \frac{m + M}{M} \tan^2 \alpha}$$



independent
of
time

The work done on m by the constraint forces during dt is

$$\lambda \tan \alpha dx - \lambda dy = \lambda \underbrace{(\tan \alpha dx - dy)}_{\tan \alpha dX} = \lambda \tan \alpha dX$$

The work done on M by the constraint forces during dt is

$$-\lambda \tan \alpha dX$$

The total work done by the constraints is zero.