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Announcements

HW 1 Sept. 7

Ofc hrs 4pm T, W (PH)
5pm R (Zhang)

Last time

Noether thm : continuous sym. \Rightarrow cons. law
showed for p-cons.

Dissipation in Lagrangian systems

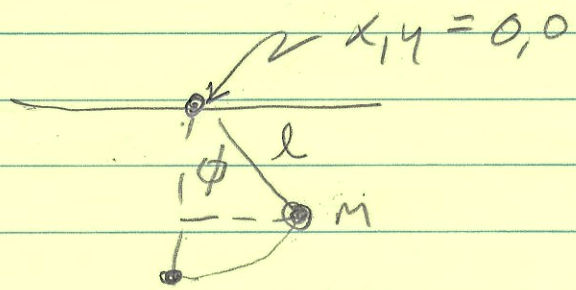
Method of Lagrange multipliers

Ex: Simple pendulum

① easy way

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\phi}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\phi} = -\frac{g}{l} \sin \phi$$



② hard way: coords x, y constant
 $x, y = l \sin \phi, -l \cos \phi$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) - mgy$$

Construct $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \dots$, $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = \dots$

But what about constraint?

0'

Lagrange multipliers $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + \lambda f(x, y)$

constraint: $f(x, y) \equiv x^2 + y^2 - l^2$

3 eqns: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \dots = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = \dots = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \Rightarrow f = 0$

should get same answer $\ddot{\phi} = -g/l \sin \phi$

N.B. ① remember how $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \lambda 2x, \dots$
 $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = \lambda 2y, \dots$

Soln. (not covered in class)

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} = \dots \Rightarrow m \ddot{x} = \lambda 2x$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} = \dots \Rightarrow m \ddot{y} = -mg + \lambda 2y$$

constraint $x^2 + y^2 = l^2$

eliminate λ : $\lambda = \frac{m \ddot{x}}{2x}$

solve:

$$\ddot{y} = (l \sin \phi \ddot{\phi}) = l \cos \phi \dot{\phi}^2 + l \sin \phi \ddot{\phi}$$
$$\ddot{x} = (l \cos \phi \ddot{\phi}) = -l \sin \phi \dot{\phi}^2 + l \cos \phi \ddot{\phi}$$

$$(l \cos \phi \dot{\phi}^2 + l \sin \phi \ddot{\phi}) = -g + (-l \sin \phi \dot{\phi}^2 + l \cos \phi \ddot{\phi}) \left(\frac{-l \cos \phi}{l \sin \phi} \right)$$

simplifies to $l \ddot{\phi} = -g \sin \phi$

Nomenclature for Hamiltonian systems

\mathcal{L} { configuration space $\{q_1, \dots, q_N\}$
state space $\{q_1, \dots, q_N; \dot{q}_1, \dots, \dot{q}_N\}$

specifying pt. in state spaces at time t
 \Rightarrow unique trajectory determined by
Lagrange's eqns.

generalized (conjugate, canonical) momentum

$$p_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i}$$

need not have dimensions of physical p !

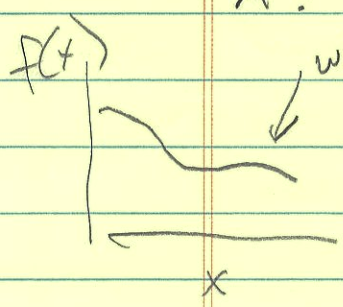
\mathcal{H} { phase space $\{q_1, \dots, q_N; p_1, \dots, p_N\}$

1D systems

assume $\mathcal{L} = T(q, \dot{q}) - U(q)$

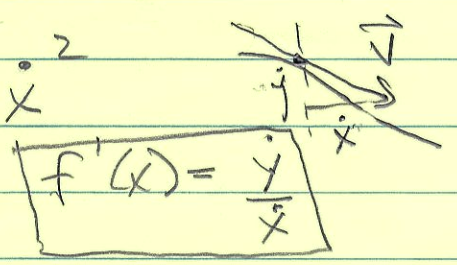
Reminder

Q: how can T depend on q as well as \dot{q} ?
A: recall bead moving on wire in 2D:



$$T = \frac{1}{2} m (1 + f'(x)^2) \dot{x}^2$$

Why? $\vec{v} = (\dot{x}, \dot{y})$



So "in general" write $T = A(q)\dot{q}^2$

Why only $\propto \dot{q}^2$ - p.f. ?
makes intuitive sense at least

$$H = p\dot{q} - \mathcal{L}$$

$$p = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}} = 2A(q)\dot{q} \Rightarrow \dot{q} = \frac{p}{2A(q)} \equiv \dot{q}(p, q)$$

$\Rightarrow H = p\dot{q}(q, p) - \mathcal{L}$
* should be considered as function of p, q

① Consider $\frac{\partial H}{\partial q} = p \frac{\partial \dot{q}}{\partial q} - \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}} \frac{\partial \dot{q}}{\partial q} \right]$

L's eqn: $= -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q} = -\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}} = -\dot{p}$

② Consider $\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} = \dot{q} + p \frac{\partial \dot{q}}{\partial p} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}} \frac{\partial \dot{q}}{\partial p}$

$\frac{\partial q}{\partial p} = 0$
q, p ind

= \dot{q}

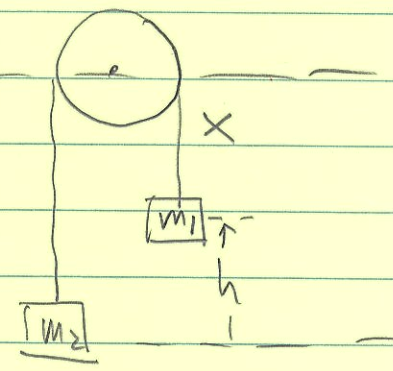
Hamilton's eqns
equivalent to L's eqns?

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial H}{\partial q} = -\dot{p} \\ \frac{\partial H}{\partial p} = \dot{q} \end{cases}$$

Ex. 1 Atwood machine

$$x + q = d$$

Use x as generalized coord.



"Natural" relation between \vec{r} and \vec{q} does not involve time.

$$T = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \dot{x}^2$$

$$U = - (m_1 - m_2) g x$$

$$h = \text{const} - x$$

Assume $H = T + U$ (true when q_i are natural)
(exception: see 13.11)

$$P = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{x}} = (m_1 + m_2) \dot{x}$$

$$\text{Need } H(p, q) \Rightarrow \dot{x} = \frac{P}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$T = \frac{P^2}{2(m_1 + m_2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{P^2}{2(m_1 + m_2)} - (m_1 - m_2) g x$$

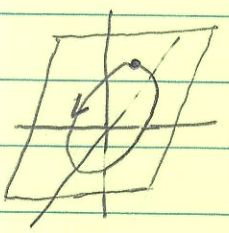
$$\dot{x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial P} = \frac{P}{m_1 + m_2} \quad \dot{p} = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = (m_1 - m_2) g$$

$$\ddot{x} = \frac{\dot{p}}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{(m_1 - m_2) g}{m_1 + m_2} \quad \text{std. ans.}$$

Ex. 2 Central force



Assertion: if particle moves under influence of central force $\vec{F}(\vec{r})$, its motion is confined to a plane! (Ch. 8 - will prove later)



So we can choose our plane to be parametrized by (r, ϕ)

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m (\underbrace{\dot{r}^2}_{\text{radial}} + r^2 \underbrace{\dot{\phi}^2}_{\text{transverse}}) \quad U = U(r)$$

$$P_r = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{r}} = m \dot{r} \quad P_\phi = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = m r^2 \dot{\phi}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \frac{P_r^2}{2m} + \frac{P_\phi^2}{2mr^2} + U(r)$$

Ham: $\dot{r} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial P_r} = \frac{P_r}{m} \quad \dot{\phi} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial P_\phi} = \frac{P_\phi}{mr^2}$

$$\dot{P}_r = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial r} = -\frac{P_\phi^2}{mr^3} - \frac{\partial U}{\partial r}$$

$$\dot{P}_\phi = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \phi} = 0 \quad \text{cons. of a.m.}$$

Note on radial equ: $\dot{r} = P_r/m \Rightarrow m\ddot{r} = \dot{P}_r$
 $m\ddot{r} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial r} + \frac{P_\phi^2}{(mr^3)}$ "centrifugal force"