

Chap. 7 Generalized Coordinates

7.1 Inertial Cartesian Coordinate System

Some time Cartesian Coordinate inconvenient

→ We have to choose coordinate system.

$\delta S = 0$; action should be minimized

* Same origin, do not move the frame :

express coordinate in terms of other coordinate \Rightarrow shape of Lagrangian

1) 1-dim.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Action: } \delta S &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \delta L(x, \dot{x}; t) \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} \delta x + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \delta \dot{x} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \delta \dot{x} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \delta x \right) - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) \delta x,$$

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) \right] \delta x + \left. \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \delta x \right|_{t_1}^{t_2}$$

ex) $x = ay + b$, a, b are const.

$$x = \tan y$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \text{Should it} \\ \text{different from the origin eq.} \end{array} \right\}$

\Rightarrow new parameter determines x $1-1$ correspondent.

\Rightarrow result must be the same!

2) 2-dim.

$\rightarrow x$ and y are

Action: $\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \delta L(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y}; t)$ Independent variable.

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

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

ex) change variable $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$

⇒ Can change the eq. about angle θ and r ?

Suppose you have potential energy:

$$U = -G \frac{Mm}{r} \quad ; \text{ gravity}$$

In this case, polar coordinate system is better than Cartesian.

Then, in polar coordinate system, what is eq. of motion?

Is it possible?

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \delta L(r, \theta, \dot{r}, \dot{\theta}; t)$$

$$= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} \delta r + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} \delta \theta + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \delta \dot{r} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \delta \dot{\theta} \right]$$

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

If it is can, then 2nd one is much better than 1st one to describe with this potential energy ($U = -Gm/r$).

Lagrangian: $L = T - U$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m \dot{\vec{x}}^2 - U(\vec{x})$$

If the potential energy is function of r only, not dependence θ ,

$$L = \text{?} - U(r)$$

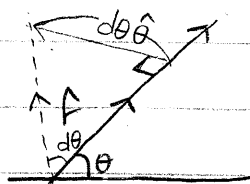
want to rewrite in terms of r and θ .

Then what is \vec{x} ?

$$\vec{x} = r \hat{r} \quad ; \quad \frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \dot{r} \hat{r} + r \dot{\hat{r}}$$

$$\dot{\hat{r}} = \frac{d}{dt} \hat{r} = \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial r} \frac{dr}{dt} + \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$

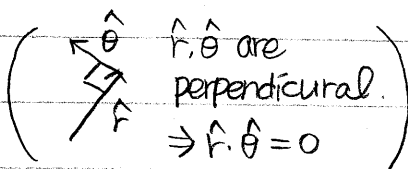
Let us think about it.



If you change the radius, but \hat{r} does not change.

$$\hat{r} = \frac{\vec{r}}{r} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial r} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial r} = 0$$

If you change the angle, then direction is change.



$$d\hat{r} = \hat{r}(\theta + d\theta) - \hat{r}(\theta) = d\theta \hat{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{d\hat{r}}{d\theta}$$

That means,

$$\dot{\hat{r}} = \hat{\theta} \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta}$$

So, final result is

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \dot{r} \hat{r} + r \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta}$$

Now we find out $\dot{\vec{x}}^2$: $L = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} m \dot{\vec{x}}^2} - U(\vec{x})$

$$\dot{\vec{x}}^2 = (\dot{r} \hat{r} + r \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta})^2 = \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

Therefore, the kinetic energy can rewrite :

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{\vec{x}}^2 = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2)$$

Therefore, the Lagrangian should be

$$\boxed{L = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - U(r)}$$

in polar coordinate system.

in Cartesian coordinate system,

Kinetic energy does not have any coordinate dependence.

Depending on only velocity.

Equation of motion in new coordinate system is same in Cartesian coordinate system, if the new variables are independent.

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{r}^2 + r^2\dot{\theta}^2) - U(r)$$

Therefore, the equation of motion for this problem are

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} - \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}}\right) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} - \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}}\right) = 0$$

Real force ;

$$mr\dot{\theta}^2 - \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} - \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{r}) = 0, \quad 0 - \frac{d}{dt}(mr^2\dot{\theta}) = 0$$

rotation inertia

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(I\dot{\theta}) = I\ddot{\theta} = I\alpha = 0$$

\Rightarrow Angular momentum is conserved.

Then, we can derive the same result at Cartesian coordinate system?

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 - U \quad \text{where potential energy is function of } r \text{ only}$$

Eg. of motion: $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} + \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{x}) = 0$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} + \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{y}) = 0$$

Since,

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{x}{r}, \quad -\frac{\partial U}{\partial r} = F \text{ (central force)}$$

Then, the eq. of motions are

$$\frac{x}{r} F(r) = \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{x}) \quad \left\{ \Rightarrow \frac{r}{r} F(r) = \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{r}) \right.$$

$$\frac{y}{r} F(r) = \frac{d}{dt}(m\dot{y})$$

Can't derive angular momentum conservation directly.

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7.2 Time-Independent Rotation

$X' = RX$, where R is transformation matrix

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad X' = \begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Before consider about \uparrow that, think about action, S , is the scalar.

After rotation, the scalar function must be the same to original.

$$\begin{pmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ x'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{11} & R_{12} & R_{13} \\ R_{21} & R_{22} & R_{23} \\ R_{31} & R_{32} & R_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow x'_i = \sum_{j=1}^3 R_{ij} x_j$$

varies covariantly.

$$x'^2 = x'_i x'_i = x'_i \delta_{ij} x'_j, \text{ where } \delta_{ij} \text{ is metric tensor}$$

(and also)

$$= x_j x_j = x_i \delta_{ij} x_j$$

Let check it.

$$\begin{aligned} x'_i x'_i &= x'_i \delta_{ij} x'_j = R_{ia} x_a \delta_{ij} R_{jb} x_b \\ &= R_{ia} x_a R_{ib} x_b \\ &= x_a \boxed{R_{ia} R_{ib}} x_b \\ &= x_a \delta_{ab} x_b \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^3 R_{ia} R_{ib} = \delta_{ab} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^3 R_{ai}^T R_{ib} = (\mathbb{1})_{ab}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (R^T R)_{ab} = (\mathbb{1})_{ab}, \text{ for any } a \text{ and } b.$$

$$\Rightarrow R^T R = \mathbb{1}.$$

And if $R R^T$ also Identity matrix, then $R^T = R^{-1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} x_a x_a &= x_a \delta_{ab} x_b = R_{ai}^T x'_i \delta_{ab} R_{bj} x'_j \quad (\because X' = RX \Leftrightarrow R^T X' = R^T R X) \\ &= R_{ai}^T x'_i R_{aj} x'_j && \Leftrightarrow (R^T X')_a = x_a \\ &= x'_i \boxed{R_{ia} R_{aj}^T} x'_j && \Leftrightarrow R_{ai}^T x'_i = x_a \\ &= x'_i \delta_{ij} x'_j \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 R_{T\alpha} R_{\alpha J}^T &= \delta_{TJ} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 R_{T\alpha} R_{\alpha J}^T = (\mathbb{1})_{TJ} \\ &\Leftrightarrow (RR^T)_{TJ} = (\mathbb{1})_{TJ}, \text{ for } \forall T, J \\ &\Rightarrow RR^T = \mathbb{1} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $R^T = R^{-1}$ and we said that R is orthogonal matrix.

Let's see what does means ; $RR^T = \mathbb{1}$.

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ R_3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } R_T = (R_{T1} \ R_{T2} \ R_{T3})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} R_{11} & R_{12} & R_{13} \\ R_{21} & R_{22} & R_{23} \\ R_{31} & R_{32} & R_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} R_{11} & R_{21} & R_{31} \\ R_{12} & R_{22} & R_{32} \\ R_{13} & R_{23} & R_{33} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} R_1 R_1^T & R_1 R_2^T & R_1 R_3^T \\ R_2 R_1^T & R_2 R_2^T & R_2 R_3^T \\ R_3 R_1^T & R_3 R_2^T & R_3 R_3^T \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{R R^T = \delta_{TJ}}$$

In short, this kind linear transformation ($x' = Rx$), that keep,

$$\boxed{x'^2 = x^2} \Leftrightarrow R^T R = R R^T = \mathbb{1} \text{ (or } R^T = R^{-1})$$



$A \cdot B = A' \cdot B'$; any scalar product is invariant under transformation

$$(Pf) \ A' \cdot B' = A'_i B'_i = (R_{T\alpha} A_\alpha) (R_{T\beta} B_\beta)$$

$$= A_\alpha R_{T\alpha} R_{T\beta} B_\beta$$

$$= A_\alpha R_{\alpha T}^T R_{T\beta} B_\beta$$

$$= A_\alpha (R^T R)_{\alpha\beta} B_\beta = A_\alpha \delta_{\alpha\beta} B_\beta = A \cdot B \quad \square$$

Let study variation of action.

$$\begin{aligned} \delta S &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \delta L(x_i, \dot{x}_j, t) \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \sum_i \left[\underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i}}_{\text{Vector}} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i}}_{\text{Vector}} \right) \right] \delta x_i \end{aligned}$$

neglecting the surface term

In classical mechanics, time is scalar.

Therefore, it might be rewrite,

$$\left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_j} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_j} \right) \right] \delta x_j$$

Since, the relation is

$$x' = R x \Leftrightarrow R^T x' = x \Leftrightarrow x_i = (R^T x')_i = R_{ia}^T x'_a = R_{ai} x'_a,$$

therefore,

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \sum_i \left[\quad ? \quad \right] R_{ai} x'_a$$

Find that how the derivative transform.

$$x' = R x ; \quad \boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial x'_i} \stackrel{?}{=} R_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \vec{r} = (x_1, x_2, x_3) & \longrightarrow & (x'_1, x'_2, x'_3) \\ \text{basis vector; } e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3 & & \text{new basis; } e'_1 \ e'_2 \ e'_3 \end{array}$$

Any point can be expressed in terms of either e_i or e'_i .

\Rightarrow That means we can make chain rule to replace this derivative in terms of different coordinate system.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x'_i} = \sum_{j=1}^3 \left(\frac{\partial x_j}{\partial x'_i} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

We know that; $x = R^T x' \Leftrightarrow x_j = R_{ja}^T x'_a = R_{aj} x'_a$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial x'_a} = R_{aj}$$

Therefore,
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x'_I} = \sum_{J=1}^3 \left(\frac{\partial x_J}{\partial x'_I} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_J} = \sum_{J=1}^3 R_{IJ} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_J}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\nabla' = R \nabla}$$

So, just keep about even things,

$$\delta S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \sum_I \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x'_I} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}'_I} \right) \right] \delta x'_I$$

$$* A_I \delta x'_I = A'_J \delta x'_J, \quad \text{where } A_I = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x'_I} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}'_I} \right)$$

$$= \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x'_I} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}'_I} \right) \right] \delta x'_I$$

$$= \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x'_J} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}'_J} \right) \right] R_{IJ} R_{IK} \delta x'_K$$

$$\left(= R_{JT}^T R_{IK} = (R^T R)_{JK} = \delta_{JK} \right)$$

$$= \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial x'_J} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}'_J} \right) \right] \delta x'_J \quad ; \text{ exactly same!}$$

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Fixed Curvilinear Coordinate System.

$$L = T(\dot{\vec{x}}) - U(\vec{x})$$

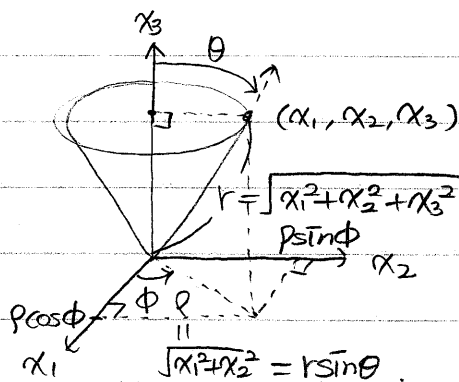
$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 &= x_1(q_1, q_2, q_3) \\ x_2 &= x_2(q_1, q_2, q_3) \\ x_3 &= x_3(q_1, q_2, q_3) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

(q_1, q_2, q_3) ; ^{ex)} Rotation $(\alpha_1', \alpha_2', \alpha_3')$

Cylindrical coordinates (ρ, ϕ, z)

Spherical polar Coordinates (r, θ, ϕ)

For example, can represent x_i to spherical polar coordinates,



$$x_1 = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$x_2 = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

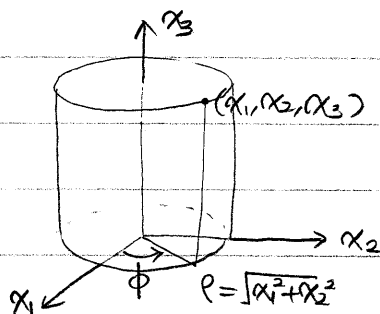
$$x_3 = r \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = r, \quad q_2 = \theta, \quad q_3 = \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow U(x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

$$= U(r \sin \theta \cos \phi, r \sin \theta \sin \phi, r \cos \theta)$$

Represent x_i to cylindrical coordinates,



$$x_1 = \rho \cos \phi$$

$$x_2 = \rho \sin \phi$$

$$x_3 = z$$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = \rho, \quad q_2 = \phi, \quad q_3 = z$$

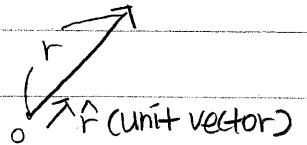
$$\Rightarrow U(x_1, x_2, x_3) = U(\rho \cos \phi, \rho \sin \phi, z)$$

Now, derive express of the kinetic energy.

1) Spherical polar coordinates

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = r \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ x_2 = r \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ x_3 = r \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

Another way:
can be obtain
directly $\rightarrow \vec{x} = r \hat{r}$.

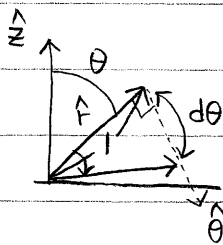


The kinetic energy just $\dot{\vec{x}}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\vec{x}} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{x}(r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{d}{dt} r(\theta, \phi) \hat{r} \\ &= \frac{dr}{dt} \hat{r} + r \frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} \\ &= \dot{r} \hat{r} + ? \end{aligned}$$

Because \hat{r} is the function of θ and ϕ , using the chain rule, then

$$\frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{d\phi}{dt} \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \phi}$$



(ϕ is fixed)

Distance = $d\theta$.

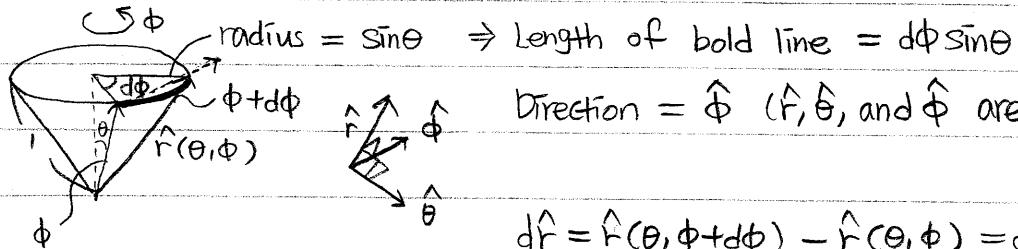
Direction = $\hat{\theta}$ (\hat{r} and $\hat{\theta}$ are make right angle!)

$$d\hat{r} = \hat{r}(\theta + d\theta) - \hat{r}(\theta) = d\theta \hat{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \theta}$$

Therefore,
$$\frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{d\phi}{dt} \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \phi} = \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta} + \frac{d\phi}{dt} \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \phi}$$

Let consider a cone.



$$d\hat{r} = \hat{r}(\theta, \phi + d\phi) - \hat{r}(\theta, \phi) = d\phi \sin\theta \hat{\phi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin\theta \hat{\phi} = \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \phi}$$

Therefore, $\frac{d\hat{r}}{dt} = \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta} + \frac{d\phi}{dt} \frac{\partial \hat{r}}{\partial \phi} = \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta} + \dot{\phi} \sin\theta \hat{\phi}$

Let substitute this into eq. of $\dot{\vec{x}}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\vec{x}} &= \dot{r} \hat{r} + r \dot{\hat{r}} \\ &= \dot{r} \hat{r} + r \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta} + r \sin\theta \dot{\phi} \hat{\phi} \end{aligned}$$

* Important: $\hat{r}, \hat{\theta},$ and $\hat{\phi}$ make triad

$$\Rightarrow \hat{r} \times \hat{\theta} = \hat{\phi}, \quad \hat{\theta} \times \hat{\phi} = \hat{r}, \quad \hat{\phi} \times \hat{r} = \hat{\theta}$$

Because they are make triad, scalar product is just sum of their own square.

$$(\dot{\vec{x}})^2 = \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2\theta \dot{\phi}^2$$

Therefore, the kinetic energy

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2\theta \dot{\phi}^2)$$

and the potential energy must be

$$U = U(r \sin\theta \cos\phi, r \sin\theta \sin\phi, r \cos\theta)$$

So, Lagrangian is

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{r}^2 + r^2\dot{\theta}^2 + r^2\sin^2\theta\dot{\phi}^2) - U$$

Then, what is eq. of motion?

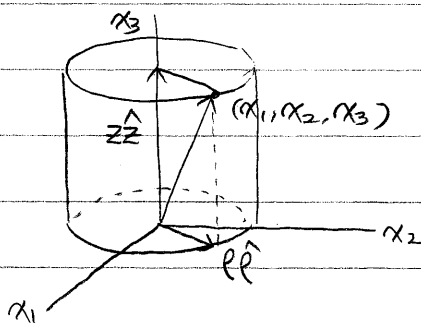
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = 0 \Rightarrow mr(\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2\theta\dot{\phi}^2) - \frac{\partial U}{\partial r} - mr'' = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = 0 \Rightarrow mr^2\sin\theta\cos\theta\dot{\phi}^2 - \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta} - mr^2\ddot{\theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{\partial U}{\partial \phi} - mr^2\sin^2\theta\ddot{\phi} = 0$$

2) Cylindrical Coordinates

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 &= \rho \cos \phi \\ x_2 &= \rho \sin \phi \\ x_3 &= z \end{aligned} \right\}$$



$$\vec{x} = \rho \hat{e} + z \hat{z} = \rho(\phi) \hat{e}(\phi) + z(z) \hat{z}$$

z const.

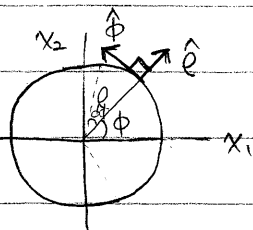
$$\dot{\vec{x}} = \dot{\rho} \hat{e} + \rho \dot{\hat{e}} + \dot{z} \hat{z}$$

Because \hat{e} is function of ϕ only, so we

Interest only ϕ dependence.

$$\frac{\partial \hat{e}}{\partial \phi} = ?$$

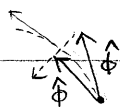
Just 2-dim. problem.



$$d\hat{e} = \hat{e}(\phi + d\phi) - \hat{e}(\phi) = d\phi \hat{\phi}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\phi} = \frac{\partial \hat{e}}{\partial \phi}$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial \phi} = -\hat{e}$$

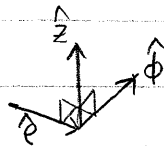


Because rotate \hat{e} ,

$\hat{\phi}$ is toward to center.

So, time derivative,

$$\dot{\vec{x}} = \dot{e} \hat{e} + e \frac{\partial \hat{e}}{\partial \phi} \frac{d\phi}{dt} + \dot{z} \hat{z} = \dot{e} \hat{e} + e \dot{\phi} \hat{\phi} + \dot{z} \hat{z}$$



\hat{e} , $\hat{\phi}$, and \hat{z} are make triad.

$$\Rightarrow \hat{e} \times \hat{\phi} = \hat{z}, \quad \hat{\phi} \times \hat{z} = \hat{e}, \quad \hat{z} \times \hat{e} = \hat{\phi}$$

Therefore, the velocity square is just sum of own square.

$$(\dot{\vec{x}})^2 = \dot{e}^2 + e^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \dot{z}^2$$

So, Lagrangian is

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{e}^2 + e^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - U(e \cos \phi, e \sin \phi, z),$$

and the Euler-Lagrange eq. are

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial e} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{e}} = 0 \Rightarrow m \dot{\phi}^2 - \frac{\partial U}{\partial e} - m \ddot{e} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{\partial U}{\partial \phi} - m e^2 \ddot{\phi} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{z}} = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{\partial U}{\partial z} - m \ddot{z} = 0$$

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Fixed Curvilinear Coordinate system

Eg. of motion in Cartesian coordinate system is

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} = 0$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$p_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \text{ ; conjugate momentum to the coordinate } x_i.$$

$$F_i = \frac{d}{dt} p_i \text{ ; } i\text{-th component of the force}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} \text{ also force.}$$

If Lagrangian is not depending on the i -th variable coordinate,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} = 0 \Rightarrow x_i \text{ is a cyclic coordinate}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \text{ is conserved.}$$

Eg. of motion in generalized coordinate system is

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = 0 \iff \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i}$$

Also,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = p_i \text{ ; conjugate momentum to the generalized coordinate } q_i$$

$$\frac{dp_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} \text{ ; effective force}$$

$$= \frac{\partial T}{\partial q_i} - \frac{\partial U}{\partial q_i} \text{ ; generalized force.}$$

$$\downarrow$$

fictitious force.

Let consider simple case : 2-dim. pola coordinate system.

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{r}^2 + r^2\dot{\theta}^2) - U(r)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} P_r = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m\dot{r} \\ P_\theta = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = mr^2\dot{\theta} = I\dot{\theta} = l \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{: linear momentum along the radial} \\ \text{direction} \\ \text{: angular momentum} \end{array}$$

Conjugate momentum with respect to a coordinate, which is an angle variable, is an angular momentum.

1) Radial eq.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} - \frac{\partial U}{\partial r}$$

generalized force
along the radial direction.

$$= m\dot{\theta}^2 r - \frac{\partial U}{\partial r}$$

Real force
Centrifugal fictitious force
Effective force.

2) Theta.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = \frac{d}{dt} (mr^2\dot{\theta}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \theta \text{ is cyclic coordinate}$$

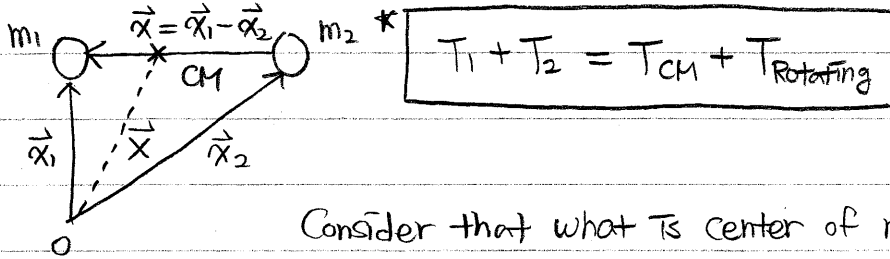
$$\Rightarrow P_\theta = l \text{ is conserved.}$$

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Generalized Coordinates for a Two-Body System



Consider that what is center of mass ;

$$\vec{X} = \frac{m_1 \vec{x}_1 + m_2 \vec{x}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

It can be rewrite as ; $(m_1 + m_2) \vec{X} = m_1 \vec{x}_1 + m_2 \vec{x}_2$

$$\vec{P} = (m_1 + m_2) \dot{\vec{X}} = m_1 \dot{\vec{x}}_1 + m_2 \dot{\vec{x}}_2 = \vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2 \quad \text{--- (a)}$$

Total lineal momentum.

And define that the relative coordinate,

$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2 \Rightarrow \dot{\vec{x}} = \dot{\vec{x}}_1 - \dot{\vec{x}}_2 = \frac{\vec{P}_1}{m_1} - \frac{\vec{P}_2}{m_2} \quad \text{--- (b)}$$

We can rewrite the result (a) and (b), Using matrix,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{m_1} & -\frac{1}{m_2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{P}_1 \\ \vec{P}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{P} \\ \dot{\vec{x}} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \vec{P}_1 \\ \vec{P}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{m_2} + \frac{1}{m_1}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{m_2} & 1 \\ \frac{1}{m_1} & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{P} \\ \dot{\vec{x}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$\vec{P}_1 = \frac{m_2 m_1}{m_2 + m_1} \left(\frac{\vec{P}}{m_2} + \dot{\vec{x}} \right), \quad \vec{P}_2 = \frac{m_2 m_1}{m_2 + m_1} \left(\frac{\vec{P}}{m_1} - \dot{\vec{x}} \right)$$

Let define $\frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} = \mu$ is called reduced mass. So,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\vec{P}_1^2}{m_1} &= \frac{\mu^2}{m_1} \left(\frac{\vec{P}}{m_2} + \dot{\vec{x}} \right)^2, & \frac{\vec{P}_2^2}{m_2} &= \frac{\mu^2}{m_2} \left(\frac{\vec{P}}{m_1} - \dot{\vec{x}} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{\mu^2}{m_1} \left(\frac{\vec{P}^2}{m_2^2} + \frac{2}{m_2} \vec{P} \dot{\vec{x}} + \dot{\vec{x}}^2 \right), & &= \frac{\mu^2}{m_2} \left(\frac{\vec{P}^2}{m_1^2} - \frac{2}{m_1} \vec{P} \dot{\vec{x}} + \dot{\vec{x}}^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_1 + T_2 &= \frac{1}{2} m_1 \dot{\vec{x}}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 \dot{\vec{x}}_2^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\vec{p}_1^2}{m_1} + \frac{\vec{p}_2^2}{m_2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{M^2}{2m_1 m_2} \left(\frac{\vec{P}^2}{m_2} + m_2 \dot{\vec{x}}^2 + \frac{\vec{P}^2}{m_1} + m_1 \dot{\vec{x}}^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{M^2}{2m_1 m_2} \left(\frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2} \right) \vec{P}^2 + \frac{M^2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2} \right) \dot{\vec{x}}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Because,

$$\frac{1}{M} = \frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2} \Rightarrow M \left(\frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2} \right) = 1$$

$$\therefore T_1 + T_2 = \frac{M}{2m_1 m_2} \vec{P}^2 + \frac{M}{2} \dot{\vec{x}}^2 = \frac{\vec{P}^2}{2M} + \frac{1}{2} M \dot{\vec{x}}^2$$

where $M = m_1 + m_2$; total mass. Define that $\vec{P} = M \dot{\vec{x}}$, and $\vec{p} = M \dot{\vec{x}}$

$$\therefore T_1 + T_2 = \boxed{\frac{\vec{P}^2}{2M} + \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2M}}$$

Let write down the eq. of motion. First, the original Lagrangian is

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \frac{1}{2} m_1 \dot{\vec{x}}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 \dot{\vec{x}}_2^2 - U(\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} M \dot{\vec{x}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} M \dot{\vec{x}}^2 - U(\vec{x})
 \end{aligned}$$

Then the eq. of motions are

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow x_i \text{'s are cyclic coordinates,}$$

\vec{P} is conserved.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_i} \right) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x_i} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d}{dt} (M \dot{x}_i) = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x_i}}$$

If we choose the frame where center of mass fixed, then this two-body problem is reduced into one-body problem. That involve $\frac{1}{2}M\dot{\vec{x}}^2$ vanishing :

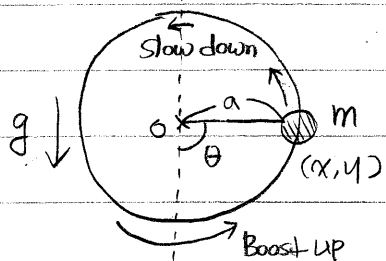
$$L = \frac{1}{2}M\dot{\vec{x}}^2 - U(\vec{x}) ; \text{ single one-body problem.}$$

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Time-Dependent Potential

Let studying the system under a conservative force but as the special case, we introduce strange system in which energy is not absolutely describe by sum of potential energy due to conservative force and kinetic energies.

Let consider a circle. There's no other force, except for gravity.



Total mechanical energy is conserved.

1st, consider Lagrangian

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

$$x = a \sin \theta, \quad y = a \cos \theta, \quad \text{where } a = \text{const}$$

Using this, can make jus 1-dimensional prob

But, why we don't be introduce Lagrange undetermined multiplier to find constrain force. as well.

''' Don't consider Lagrange multiplier, 1st.

$$\begin{aligned} x = a \sin \theta &\rightarrow \dot{x} = a \dot{\theta} \cos \theta \\ y = a \cos \theta &\rightarrow \dot{y} = -a \dot{\theta} \sin \theta \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 = a^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

Using this, then Lagrangian becomes

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + m g a \cos \theta \quad ; \quad \text{sing 1-dimensional eq.}$$

Or we can allow this a to be varied.

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + m g r \cos \theta$$

Then we can consider Lagrange multiplier.

$$L' = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + m g r \cos \theta + \lambda f(r, \theta)$$

where $f(r, \theta) = r - a$, a is a const.

Then, EOM (eq. of motion) for radius

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} + \lambda \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} = 0 \Rightarrow mr\dot{\theta}^2 + "mg\cos\theta" - \frac{d}{dt}(mr\dot{r}) + \lambda = 0$$

and for theta

$$\oplus r=a \Rightarrow \dot{r}=0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} + \lambda \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow -mgr\sin\theta - \frac{d}{dt}(mr^2\dot{\theta}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{ma^2\ddot{\theta}}_{\text{Torque}} = -mg\sin\theta$$

From these result,

$$\lambda = -mr\dot{\theta}^2 - "mg\cos\theta"$$

and

$$\boxed{\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{a}\sin\theta = 0} \Rightarrow \text{If } \theta \text{ is small enough, } \ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{a}\theta \approx 0$$

Let us, now, extend this Idea to consider the Hamiltonian of this syst
1st, write down Lagrangian,

$$L = \frac{1}{2}ma^2\dot{\theta}^2 + mg\cos\theta$$

then EOM is

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow -mg\sin\theta - \frac{d}{dt}(ma^2\dot{\theta}) = 0$$

$$ma^2\ddot{\theta} + mg\sin\theta = 0$$

$$\boxed{\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{a}\sin\theta = 0} \rightarrow \text{We got the same eq. of motion.}$$

We know that because of the angle dependence of the potential energy theta, θ , is not a cyclic coordinate. Therefore, angular momentum is not conserved.

Let consider 2nd form of Euler-Lagrange eq.

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} =$$

Because there's no explicit time dependence in the Lagrangian. That means, Hamiltonian is conserved. What is Hamiltonian?

$$\begin{aligned} H = p_{\theta} \dot{\theta} - L &= \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{ma^2} - \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2ma^2} - mg a \cos \theta \\ &= \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2ma^2} - mg a \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

That is conserved quantity with respect to time. Since,

$$\frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2ma^2} = \frac{l^2}{2I} ; \text{ Rotational kinetic energy.}$$

$$-mg a \cos \theta = U,$$

therefore,

$$H = T + U \quad (\text{Total mechanical energy})$$

Next, consider the strange problem. Every thing are same but $\theta = \omega t$, where ω is fixed.

$$L = \frac{1}{2} ma^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + mg a \cos \theta, \quad \text{where } \theta = \omega t, \quad \omega \text{ is fixed}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} ma^2 \omega^2 + mg a \cos \omega t$$

Then Lagrangian has explicit time dependence.

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m a^2 \omega^2 + m g a \cos \omega t, \text{ where } \omega \text{ is fixed.}$$

In this case, what is the EOM? In order to make the EOM, we have at least one variable.

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) + m g r \cos \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \omega^2) + m g r \cos \omega t$$

$$L' = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \omega^2) + m g r \cos \omega t + \lambda (r - a)$$

Therefore, the EOM is

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \right) + \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r - a) = 0$$

$$m r \omega^2 + m g \cos \omega t - \frac{d}{dt} (m \dot{r}) + \lambda = 0$$

Put $r = a$ into the EOM, then

$$m a \omega^2 + m g \cos \omega t + \lambda = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = -m a \omega^2 - m g \cos \omega t \quad \leadsto ?$$

Unfill now, we don't know that what is it. Let consider Hamiltonian.

$$H = P \dot{r} - L = -L = -\frac{1}{2} m a^2 \omega^2 - m g a \cos \omega t$$

In this case, Hamiltonian does not a same as total mechanical energy.

$$H = -T + U$$

As another example, rotate same angular frequency but allow radius motion. First, consider Lagrangian.

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - U(r)$$

\downarrow
 $\dot{\theta} = \omega = \text{const.}$ $\boxed{\theta = \omega t}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \omega^2) - U(r)$$

But in this problem, there's no explicit time dependence. Therefore,

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 0, \quad \frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow H \text{ is conserved.}$$

Then, let compare the Hamiltonian and the total mechanical energy.

$$\begin{aligned} H = Pr' - L &= Pr \frac{Pr}{m} - \frac{1}{2} m \left[\left(\frac{Pr}{m} \right)^2 + r^2 \omega^2 \right] + U(r) \\ &= \frac{Pr^2}{2m} - \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \omega^2 + U(r) \end{aligned}$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = \frac{Pr^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \omega^2 + U(r)$$

$$= \boxed{H} + \underbrace{m r^2 \omega^2}_{\text{varied}} \quad \text{where } H \text{ is conserved.}$$

\downarrow \downarrow
 const. varied

So, the total mechanical energy is not conserved because someone doing some work (make torque)