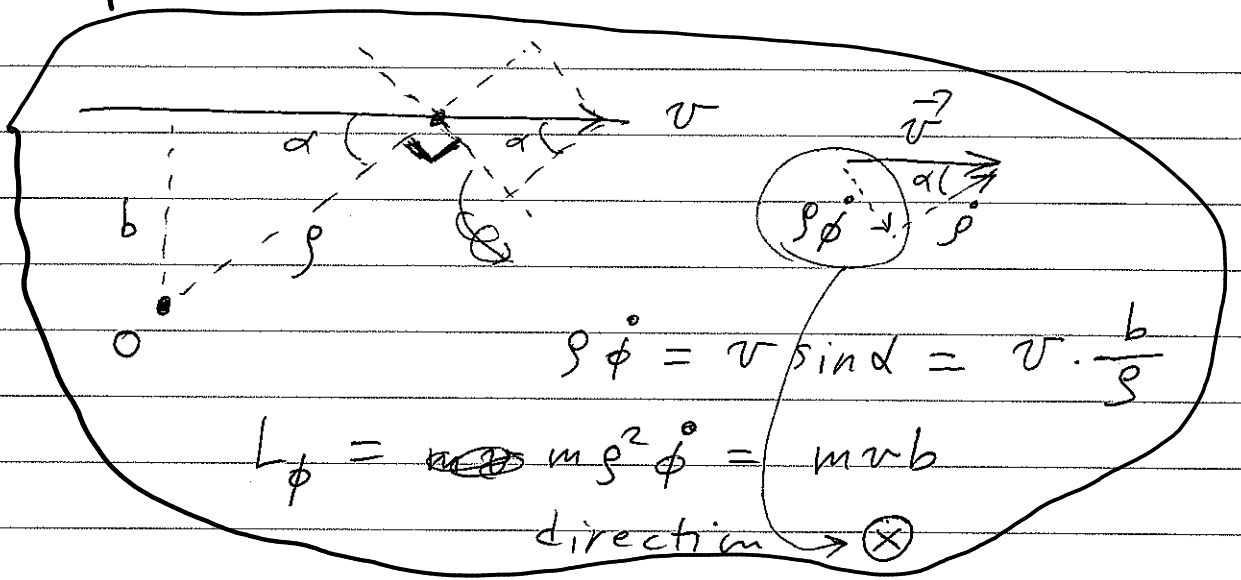


related to the last LN.

L10 - ①



§. Hamiltonian Mechanics

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

Consider $H = p\dot{q} - L$ (Legendre transformation)

$$dH = dp \dot{q} + p d\dot{q} - dL$$

$$= \dot{q} dp - \dot{p} dq - \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} dt$$

[indep. variables $q, \dot{q}, t \Rightarrow q, p, t$]

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} = \dot{q}, \quad \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{q}} = -\dot{p}$$

Canonical equations of motion

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = \dot{q} \dot{p} - \dot{p} \dot{q} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial t}$$

For many degrees of freedom

$$H = \sum_i p_i \dot{q}_i - L$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} = \dot{q}_i, \quad \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = -\dot{p}_i$$

§. Principle of (energy) conservation. (10 - 10) ②

$\frac{dH}{dt} = 0$ if L (or H) does not depend on t explicitly.
(homogeneity of time)

H : hamiltonian

proof
 $\frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t}$
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It is the "energy" in most, but not all, cases.

If $L = \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 - U(\vec{r})$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\vec{r}}} = m \vec{v} = \vec{p}$$

$$H = \vec{p} \cdot \vec{v} - \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 + U(\vec{r})$$

$$= \vec{p} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}}{m} - \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} + U(\vec{r})$$

$$= \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} + U(\vec{r})$$

$$= T + U$$

Note : H is a function of p, q
not of \dot{q}, q

$$L(q, \dot{q}, t) \longrightarrow H(p, q, t)$$

$$\searrow p\dot{q} - L \nearrow$$

§. Some words about H and other aspects of the Lagrangian Mechanics

① The canonical EOM $\dot{p} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}$, $\dot{q} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}$

are not used often to do problems. (Lagrangian does just fine.)

Rather, the Hamiltonian dynamics is important as a formalism that connects to ~~one~~ one of the common formalism of QM -- the (Heisenberg) (Schrödinger) formalism. One can say that if one ~~quantizes~~ quantizes the Poisson bracket (see homework) then the QM results.

② H is important in the sense that it describes mechanics in the "true phase space," (p, q). p and q are "conjugate variables" canonically.

For instance, the Liouville's theorem holds in the (true) phase space. (Read 7.12) The essence of this theorem is that if you prepare an "ensemble" ~~of~~ of many systems which have different initial conditions then the density of the points that represent those systems in the phase space is ~~constant~~ constant. ~~constant~~ (Important in charged particle optics, cosmology, etc..)

③ Virial theorem (7.13)

For power-law force, pot.

$$U \propto r^n \quad \text{average over a long time or a period}$$

$$2\langle T \rangle = n\langle U \rangle$$

Lagrangian EOM with constraint(s)

Let us consider one constraint only.
(generalization to multiple constraints straight-f.)

Assume ~~that~~ $\sum_k a_k \dot{q}_k + a_t = 0$.

a constraint that satisfies \rightarrow functions of q_k, t

A special commonplace sub-class of all possible constraints $F(q_k, \dot{q}_k, t) = 0$
all \dot{q} 's 1...n

In general, this cannot be integrated (non-holonomic)
If it can be integrated, then we have a holonomic constraint.
(e.g. $v = R\omega$ for a rolling w/o ~~slipping~~ ^{slipping})

Holonomic constraint: $F(q_k, \dot{q}_k, t) = G(q_k, t) = 0$

The above equation can be written as $\sum_k a_k d\dot{q}_k + a_t dt = 0$

For a virtual displacement $\delta t = 0$
 $\sum_k a_k \delta \dot{q}_k = 0 \dots (*)$

simple. Can reduce the # of generalized coordinates by 1 per constraint.

$\int_1^2 dt \sum_k \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} \right) \delta q_k = 0$ undetermined
Add 0 times $\lambda(t)$ --- Lagrange multiplier ~~is~~

$\int_1^2 dt \sum_k \left[\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} + \lambda a_k \right] \delta q_k = 0$

Not all q_k 's are independent!

But only one constraint.

From $k=1, \dots, n$, if we ~~remove~~ exclude
($n = \text{D.O.F.}$)

one of q_k 's, then the rest are independent!

So, consider q_2, \dots, q_n as indep. vars.

As for q_1 , choose $\lambda(t)$ so that

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_1} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_1} + \lambda(t) a_1 = 0$$

As for other q_k 's, ($k=2, \dots, n$) the variational principle as before

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} + \lambda(t) a_k = 0$$

Result? This equation is valid for all k 's including $k=1$.

Price? $n+1$ unknowns $q_k, \lambda(t)$
 $k=1, \dots, n$

only n Lagrange eq's?! No worries. We have the constraint equation

$$\sum_k a_k \dot{q}_k + a_c = 0$$

Meaning of $\lambda(t)$: generalized force of constraint

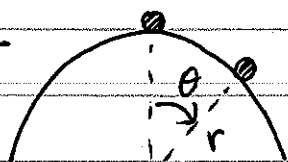
$$-\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_1} + \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_1} = + \lambda(t) a_1$$

Lagrangian mechanics is cool/sneaky in this regard. No need to know the constraint force to start with. It is an outcome! (friction... normal force...)

★ Why write in this form??

See $L(q, \dot{q}, t)$
 $-\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} + \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j}$
= Q_j
generalized force
★

Ex 7.10



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

$$U = mgr \cos \theta$$

Why is $T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2)$?

(Use $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$
 \Rightarrow show $\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 = \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2$)

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

Constraint: $r = R \Rightarrow dr = 0$

$$a_r dr + a_\theta d\theta + a_t dt = 0$$

$$a_r = 1, a_\theta = a_t = 0$$

EOM's

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = \lambda(t) a_r = \lambda(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow m \ddot{r} - m r \dot{\theta}^2 + mg \cos \theta = \lambda$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = \lambda(t) a_\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (m r^2 \dot{\theta}) - mgr \sin \theta = 0$$

$$2mr \dot{r} \dot{\theta} + m r^2 \ddot{\theta} - mgr \sin \theta = 0$$

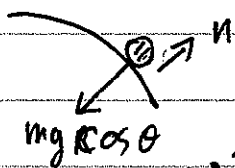
$\textcircled{3} \quad r = R$ (constraint itself)

Now, use the constraint to simplify EOM's

$$\textcircled{1} \rightarrow \lambda = -m R \dot{\theta}^2 + mg \cos \theta$$

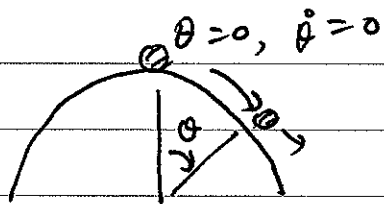
$$\textcircled{2} \rightarrow \ddot{\theta} = \frac{g}{R} \sin \theta \quad \Leftarrow \text{The EOM that we would have gotten had we used the L formalism w/o the constraint.}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \rightarrow \lambda = ?$$



$$mg \cos \theta - n = \underbrace{m R \dot{\theta}^2}_{\text{centripetal force}} \rightarrow \therefore \lambda = n = \text{normal force}$$

Let us ask the question.



When does the thing take off?

Ans. When $\lambda = 0$ (no contact force)

$$\Rightarrow mg \cos \theta = mR \dot{\theta}^2 \quad \dots \text{①}$$

Note that this problem conserves the energy. How do we know it?

$$\Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{2} m R^2 \dot{\theta}^2 - mgR \cos \theta \quad \leftarrow \text{no } t!$$

$$H = E = \frac{1}{2} m R^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + mgR \cos \theta$$

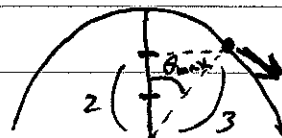
$$\text{②} \quad \dots = mgR \quad (\text{when } \theta = 0^\circ \text{ we assumed } \dot{\theta} = 0)$$

Combining ① & ② to eliminate $\dot{\theta}^2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} mgR \cos \theta + mgR \cos \theta = mgR$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\theta_{\max} = \cos^{-1} \frac{2}{3}$$



• Was this easier than doing $\left(\begin{array}{l} mg \cos \theta = m \frac{v^2}{R} \\ \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + mgR \cos \theta = mgR \end{array} \right) ?$

No!

Note that this L is L from the original formalism.

Not the L + constraint formalism.

See point ③ of the next page!!

§. L + constraint (one constraint)

$$\sum_k a_k dq_k + a_t dt = 0$$

$$\text{EOM} \quad -\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} + \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} = a_k \lambda(t)$$

§. L + constraints $i=1, \dots, m$ constraints.

~~$$\sum_k a_k dq_k + a_t dt = 0$$~~

$$\sum_k a_{k,i} dq_k + a_{t,i} dt = 0$$

$$\text{EOM} \quad -\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} + \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} = \sum_i a_{k,i} \lambda_i(t)$$

To keep in mind.

① Treat all q_k 's as though they are dynamical variables before setting up EOM's. (t-dep)

Absolute must !!

② After setting up EOM's, one can use constraints to simplify EOM's!

(Using constraints before setting up EOM's is breaking a rule, big time !! → Not allowed.)

③ Conservation ~~principles~~ ^{principles} do not apply to L if using L+constraint(s) formalism.

(Why not? Because conservation principles were derived from $-\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} + \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} = 0$!)