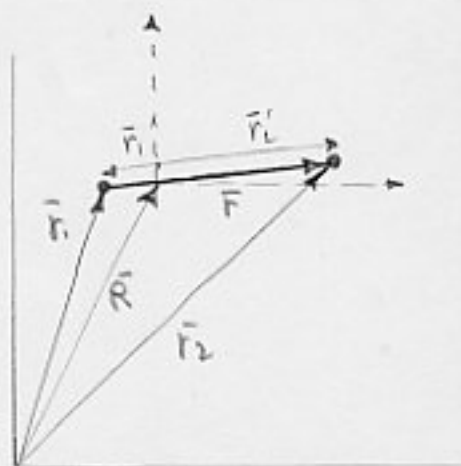


# Chapter 3

## The Two-body, Central Force Problem

3-1 Reduction of the problem to the equivalent one-body problem:

There exist 6-independent generalized coords. for two-body system



Let us choose:

$$\begin{cases} \vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1 & \text{relative coords. (3-in number)} \\ \vec{R} & \text{center of mass " (" " " )} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \vec{r} = \vec{r}_2 - \vec{r}_1 \\ \vec{r} = \vec{r}'_2 - \vec{r}'_1 \\ \vec{R} = \frac{m_1 \vec{r}_1 + m_2 \vec{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2} \end{cases} \quad \text{If } \vec{R} = 0 \rightarrow m_1 \vec{r}'_1 + m_2 \vec{r}'_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} m_1 \vec{r}'_1 + m_2 \vec{r}'_2 = 0 \\ \vec{r} = \vec{r}'_2 - \vec{r}'_1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{r}'_1 = -\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \vec{r} \\ \vec{r}'_2 = \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2} \vec{r} \end{cases}$$

The Lagrangian:

$$L = T(\dot{\vec{R}}, \dot{\vec{r}}) - U(r, \dot{r}, \ddot{r}, \dots)$$

where  $T = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \dot{\vec{R}}^2 + T'$

K.E. of the center of mass

K.E. of motion about the center of mass

$$T' = \frac{1}{2} m_1 \dot{\vec{r}}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 \dot{\vec{r}}_2^2$$

$$\rightarrow T' = \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \dot{\vec{r}}^2$$

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

$$L = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \dot{\vec{R}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \dot{\vec{r}}^2 - U(\vec{r}, \dot{\vec{r}}, \dots)$$

$$L \text{ is cyclic in } \vec{R} \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\vec{R}}} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \vec{P}_R = 0 \quad \vec{P}_R = \text{const.}$$

Center of mass is either at rest or moving uniformly.

Therefore we drop the first term of the Lagrangian.

$$L' = \frac{1}{2} \mu \dot{\vec{r}}^2 - U$$

$$\text{where } \mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \text{ reduced mass}$$

Thus the central force motion of two bodies about their center of mass can always be reduced to an equivalent one-body problem.

### 3-2 The equ. of motion

$$\text{Since } \dot{\vec{r}}^2 = (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) \rightarrow L' = \frac{1}{2} \mu (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - V(r) \quad (\text{central force, } \vec{F} \text{ along } \vec{r})$$

$V(r)$ : central force at the origin of coord. system

Since  $V = V(r)$  ( $r$ -dep. only) the problem has spherical symmetry

$\rightarrow \vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$  is conserved.  $\rightarrow r \perp \vec{L}$  (motion on a plane)

If  $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p} = \vec{r} \times m \dot{\vec{r}} = 0 \rightarrow \vec{r} \parallel \dot{\vec{r}} \rightarrow$  motion on a straight line.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} = 0$$

$$q_1 = \theta \quad \begin{cases} P_\theta = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = Mr^2 \dot{\theta} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_\theta = \dot{P}_\theta = \frac{d}{dt} (Mr^2 \dot{\theta}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow Mr^2 \dot{\theta} = \text{const} = l$$

Remember:  $\vec{v} = \dot{r} \hat{e}_r + r \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta$

$$\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p} = \vec{r} \times m \vec{v} = r \hat{e}_r \times m (\dot{r} \hat{e}_r + r \dot{\theta} \hat{e}_\theta)$$

$$= 0 + m r^2 \dot{\theta} \underbrace{\hat{e}_r \times \hat{e}_\theta}_1$$

$$|\vec{L}| = m r^2 \dot{\theta} = l$$



Also:

$$dA = \frac{1}{2} r (r d\theta)$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \dot{\theta}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{d}{dt} P_\theta = \frac{d}{dt} (m r^2 \dot{\theta}) = 0$$

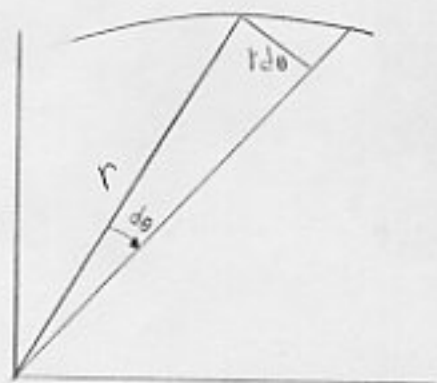
$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} r^2 \dot{\theta} \right) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{The areal velocity } \frac{dA}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \dot{\theta}$$

(the area swept by the radius vector per unit time)

is const.

This is Kepler's second law.



$dA =$  The area swept out by the radius vector in a time  $dt$ .

However  $\frac{dA}{dt} = 0$  is a general property for central force motion ( $V(r)$ ) and is not restricted to an inverse square law of force.

The other equations of motion;

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = 0 \quad \begin{cases} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m \dot{r} \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = m r \dot{\theta}^2 - \frac{\partial V(r)}{\partial r} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (m \dot{r}) - m r \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{\partial V}{\partial r} = 0$$

Designate,  $f(r) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$  (along  $\vec{r}$ )

$$m \ddot{r} - m r \dot{\theta}^2 = f(r)$$

but  $m r^2 \dot{\theta} = l \quad \dot{\theta} = \frac{l}{m r^2}$

$$\rightarrow m \ddot{r} = \frac{l^2}{m r^3} + f(r) \quad (m \ddot{r} : \text{eff})$$

$$\rightarrow m \ddot{r} = \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{m r^2} + V \right) \quad (V_{\text{eff}} = V + \frac{l^2}{2 m r^2})$$

$\downarrow$  centrifugal force       $\downarrow$  central force

multiply both sides by  $\dot{r}$ :

$$m \dot{r} \ddot{r} = -\dot{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{m r^2} + V \right)$$

L.H.S.  $m \dot{r} \ddot{r} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 \right)$

Since  $\frac{d}{dt} g(r) = \frac{dg}{dr} \frac{dr}{dt}$

$$\text{R.H.S.} \quad r \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2} + V \right) = \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2} + V \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \left( V + \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 \right) = - \frac{d}{dt} \left( V + \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2} + V \right) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2} + V = \text{const} = E \quad \text{energy conservation.}$$

$$\text{Proof.} - \quad \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2} = \frac{1}{2mr^2} m^2 r^4 \dot{\theta}^2 = \frac{mr^2 \dot{\theta}^2}{2}$$

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

$$T + V = E$$

Since there exist 2 variables  $r$  and  $\theta$ , then for 4 integrations are needed.

The first two integrations have left the Lagrange's eqns as two first order eqns:

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} mr^2 \dot{\theta} = l \\ \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} + V(r) = E \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \rightarrow \dot{r} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}$$

$$\rightarrow dt = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}}$$

let at  $t=0$  ,  $r=r_0$

$$t = \int_{r_0}^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}}$$

Or inversely one can obtain  $r = r(t)$

then if  $r$  is known as a fun of  $t$ , then

$$l = mr^2 \dot{\theta} \rightarrow d\theta = \frac{l dt}{mr^2}$$

if at  $t=0$  ,  $\theta = \theta_0$

$$\theta = \int_0^t \frac{dt}{mr^2(t)} + \theta_0$$

Note:  $l, E, r_0, \theta_0$  are the const's. of integrations.

We could consider another set of const's, like  $r_0, \theta_0, \dot{r}_0, \dot{\theta}_0$ , but of course  $E$  and  $l$  can always be determined in terms of this set.

3-3 The equivalent one-dimensional Problem, and classification of orbits.

It is more convenient to perform the integration in some other fashion than we did for.

$$t = \int_{r_0}^{r_0} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}}$$

$$\text{and } \theta = l \int_0^t \frac{dt}{mr^2(t)} + \theta_0$$

General information:

If  $E$  and  $l$  (which are conserved) are known, then:

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + V(r) \longrightarrow v = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m} (E - V(r))} \quad \text{magnitude of velocity}$$

$$\text{we had also } \dot{r} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)} \quad \text{radial component of velocity}$$

→ We can get information about the direction of velocity

Alternatively conservation of  $l = m r^2 \dot{\theta}$ , furnishes  $\dot{\theta}$ . This together with  $\dot{r}$  gives both the magnitude and direction of  $\dot{\mathbf{r}}$ .

$$v = \dot{r} \hat{r} + r \dot{\theta} \hat{\theta}$$



The radial equ.  $m\ddot{r} - \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f(r)$  for the central motion is similar to the sol. for one-dimensional problems, in which a particle of mass  $m$  is subjected to a force

$$f' = f + \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f + \frac{m^2 r^4 \dot{\theta}^2}{mr^3} = f + \underbrace{mr\dot{\theta}^2}_{\text{centrifugal force}}$$

Alternatively, using the conservation of energy

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2}}_T + V = \text{const.} = E$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + \underbrace{V + \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2}}_{V'} = E \quad \text{where } V' = V + \frac{1}{2} \frac{l^2}{mr^2}$$

The problem changes to a one-body problem with a fictitious potential  $V'$

A check  $f' = -\frac{\partial V'}{\partial r} = f(r) + \frac{l^2}{mr^3}$

which agrees with the previous results.



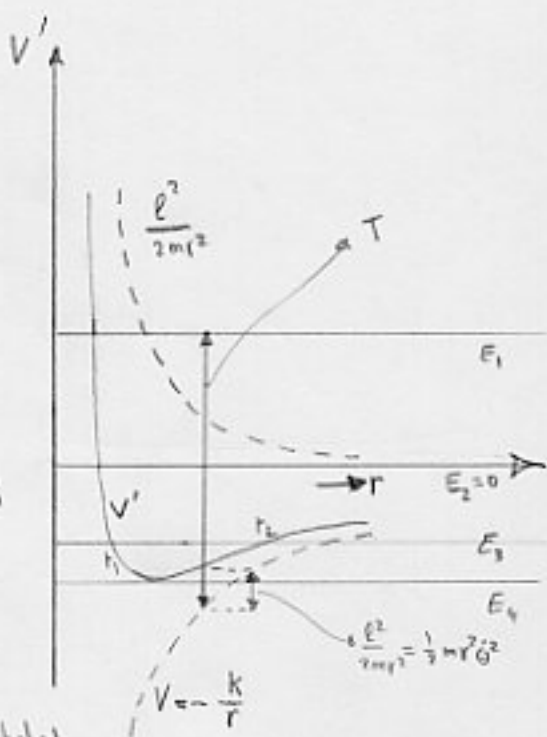
Now consider an attractive inverse square law of force:

$$f = -\frac{k}{r^2} \quad k > 0$$

$$\rightarrow V = -\frac{k}{r}$$

$$V' = -\frac{k}{r} + \frac{l^2}{2mr^2}$$

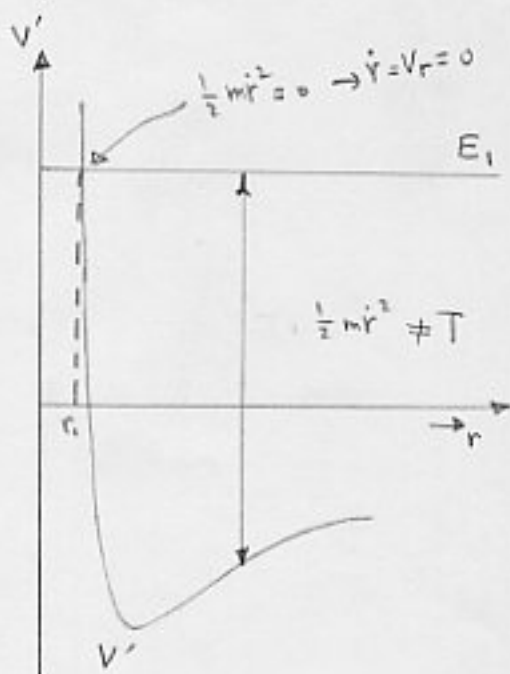
Now we consider a particle coming from infinity to the origin of force  
We consider different total energies:



$E_1$ : The particle faces to a repulsive centrifugal barrier, and is repelled and travel back out to infinity. (hyperbola)

$E_2$ : Similar to  $E_1$ , (Parabola)

$E_3$ : The system is bounded between  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  (apsidal distances). The orbits are not necessarily closed. (ellipse)



$E_4$ :  $r_1 = r_2$  and  $\dot{r} = 0$ , and the orbit is a circle

$$f' = -\frac{\partial V'}{\partial r} = f(r) + \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = 0$$

$$f(r) = -\frac{l^2}{mr^3} = -mr\dot{\theta}^2$$

Remark: The min. point can be obtained by  $\frac{\partial V'}{\partial r} = 0$

General qualitative division into open, bounded, and circular orbits will be true for any attractive potential that

(1) falls off slower than  $\frac{1}{r^2}$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$

(2) becomes infinite slower than  $\frac{1}{r^2}$  as  $r \rightarrow 0$

(1)  $\rightarrow$  ensures that the potential predominates over the centrifugal term for large  $r$

(2)  $\rightarrow$  for small  $r$ , the centrifugal term is important

If the potential does not satisfy these requirements, the qualitative nature of the motion will be altered.

Ex.:

$$V = -\frac{a}{r^3} \rightarrow f = -\frac{3a}{r^4}$$

For an energy  $E$ ;

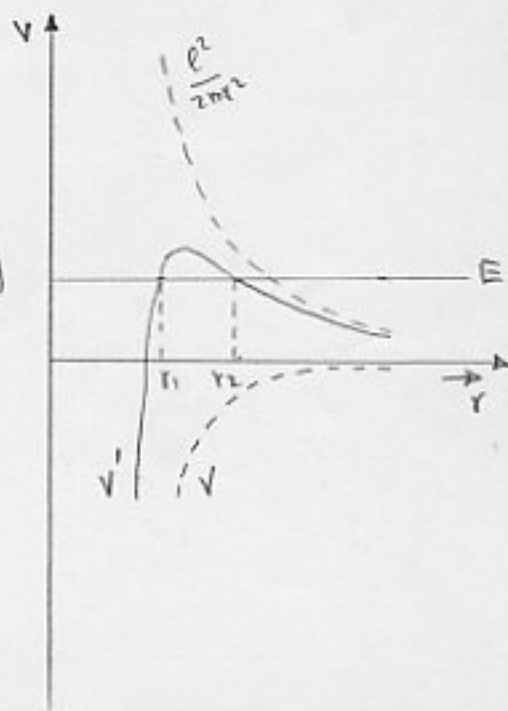
1) if  $r_0 < r_1 \rightarrow$  motion is bounded and always  $r < r_1$

2) if initially  $r_0 > r_2 \rightarrow$  unbounded and always  $r > r_2$

3)  $r_1 < r_0 < r_2$  physically impossible because  $V > E$  ( $T_{\min} = 0$ )



Bounded but not closed orbits



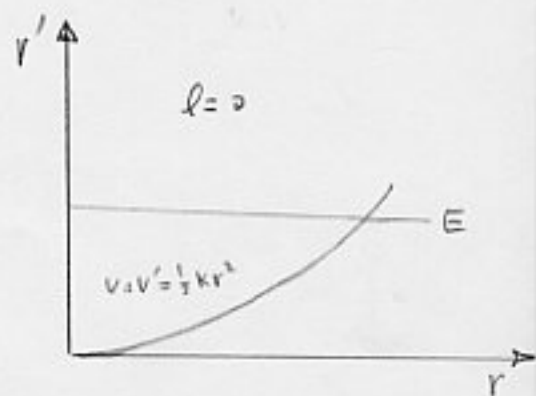
Ex.: Isotropic harmonic oscillator:

$$\vec{f} = -kr \rightarrow V = \frac{1}{2} kr^2$$

1) If  $l=0 \rightarrow V=V$

$\rightarrow$  motion will be straight line.

For any  $E > 0$ , motion is bounded (simple harmonic).

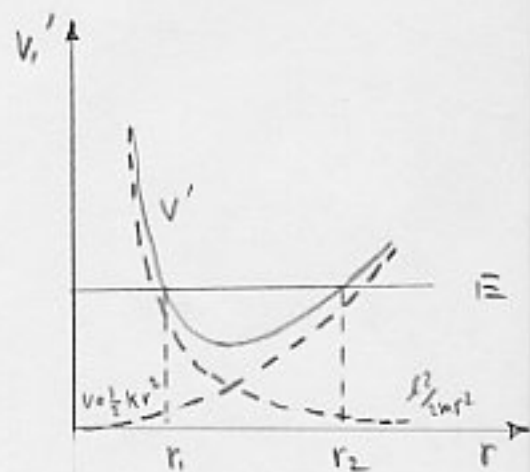


2) If  $l \neq 0$

The motion is bounded for all physically possible energies, and does not pass through the center of force.

The orbit is ellipse.

$$\vec{f} = -k\vec{r} \rightarrow \begin{cases} f_x = -kx \\ f_y = -ky \end{cases}$$



We found:

$$1) \quad mr^2 \dot{\theta} = l \quad \longrightarrow \quad mr^2 d\theta = l dt \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} = \frac{l}{mr^2} \frac{d}{d\theta}$$

$$2) \quad \text{also} \quad m\ddot{r} - \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f(r) \quad \longrightarrow \quad dt = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}}$$

$$1) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{d^2}{dt^2} = \frac{l}{mr^2} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \frac{l}{mr^2} \frac{d}{d\theta} \right)$$

$$2) \quad \longrightarrow \quad m \frac{d^2 r}{dt^2} - \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f(r)$$

$$1), 2) \quad \longrightarrow \quad m \frac{l}{mr^2} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \frac{l}{mr^2} \frac{dr}{d\theta} \right) - \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f(r)$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \frac{l^2}{mr^2} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{dr}{d\theta} \right) - \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f(r)$$

$$\text{let} \quad \frac{1}{r} = u \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{du}{d\theta} = \frac{du}{dr} \frac{dr}{d\theta} = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{dr}{d\theta}$$

$$-\frac{l^2}{mr^2} \frac{d}{d\theta} \frac{du}{d\theta} - \frac{l^2}{mr^3} = f(r) \quad \longrightarrow \quad -\frac{l^2}{m} u^2 \frac{d^2 u}{d\theta^2} - \frac{l^2}{m} u^3 = f\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \frac{l^2}{m} u^2 \left( \frac{d^2 u}{d\theta^2} + u \right) = -f\left(\frac{1}{u}\right) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{d^2 u}{d\theta^2} + u = -\frac{m}{l^2} \frac{1}{u^2} f\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)$$

$$\text{Also,} \quad \frac{d}{du} = \frac{dr}{du} \frac{d}{dr} = -\frac{1}{u^2} \frac{d}{dr}$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \frac{dV\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)}{du} = -\frac{1}{u^2} \frac{dV\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)}{dr} \quad \longrightarrow \quad u^2 \frac{dV\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)}{du} = -\frac{dV\left(\frac{1}{u}\right)}{dr}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d^2 u}{d\theta^2} + u = -\frac{m}{\rho^2} \frac{1}{u^2} \left( -\frac{dV(\frac{1}{u})}{dr} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d^2 u}{d\theta^2} + u = -\frac{m}{\rho^2} \frac{dV(\frac{1}{u})}{du}$$

Sol. for  $\theta$  in terms of  $r$ :

$$(1) \quad l = mr^2 \dot{\theta} \rightarrow l dt = mr^2 d\theta$$

also we had  $\dot{r} = \frac{dr}{dt} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}$

$$\rightarrow dt = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}} \rightarrow l dt = \frac{l dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}}$$

using (1)  $\rightarrow mr^2 d\theta = \frac{l dr}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} \left( E - V - \frac{l^2}{2mr^2} \right)}}$

$$\theta = \int_{r_0}^r \frac{dr}{r^2 \sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\rho^2} - \frac{2mV}{\rho^2} - \frac{1}{r^2}}} + \theta_0$$

$$\text{or } \theta = \theta_0 - \int_{u_0}^u \frac{du}{\sqrt{\frac{2mE}{\rho^2} - \frac{2mV}{\rho^2} - u^2}}$$

## Chapter 6

### Small Oscillations

#### 6-1 Formulation of the problem

We consider conservative systems in which the potential energy is a func. of position only.  $V = V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)$

It is assumed that:  $\frac{\partial q_i}{\partial t} = 0$  (not explicitly)

Thus  $\rightarrow$  time-dep. constraints are excluded.

The system is in equilibrium when:

$$Q_i = \left( \frac{\partial V(q_1, \dots, q_n)}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 = 0 \quad \text{generalized force}$$

$V(q_i)$  Here for has an extremum at the equilibrium configuration of the system  $q_{10}, q_{20}, \dots, q_{n0}$ .

An Equilibrium Position is stable if a small disturbance of the system from equilibrium results only in small bounded motion about the rest position.

The Equilibrium is unstable if an infinitesimal disturbance eventually produces unbounded motion.

Ex. Pendulum at rest (Stable)

Ex. the egg standing on end (Unstable)



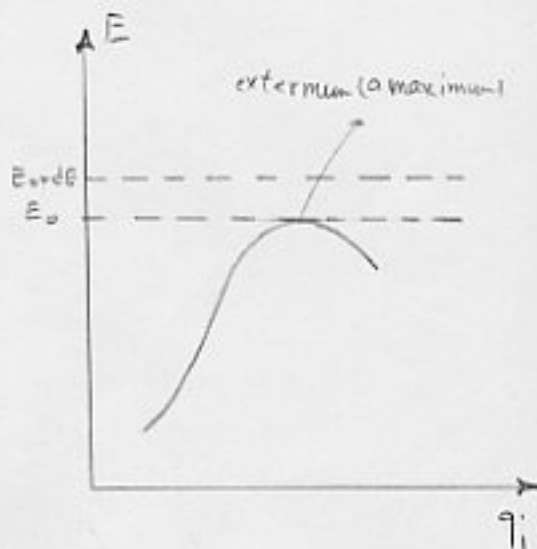
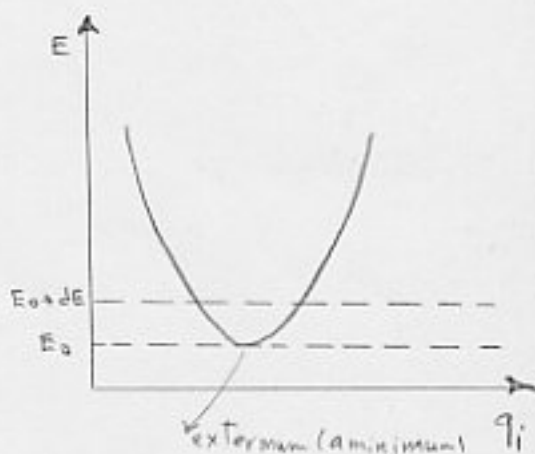
If the extremum of the potential is a minimum, the equilibrium must be stable.

For a small departure from the equilibrium,  $V$  can be expanded in a Taylor series

Suppose:

$$q_i = q_{i0} + \eta_i$$

$\eta_i$ : infinitesimal departure (new generalized coords.)



$$V(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n) = V(q_{10}, q_{20}, \dots, q_{n0}) + \sum_i \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_{q_{i0}} \eta_i + \sum_{i,j} \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 \eta_i \eta_j + \dots$$

Due to  $\left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 = 0$ , (at equilibrium), the second term vanishes.

Remark:  $V(q_{10} + \eta_1, \dots, q_{n0} + \eta_n) = V(q_{10}, \dots, q_{n0}) + \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_{q_{i0}} \eta_i + \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 \eta_i \eta_j + \dots$   
 But  $V(q_{10}, \dots, q_{n0}) = V(q_{10}, \dots, q_{n0})$  and  $\left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_{q_{i0}} = \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_{q_{i0}}$  and so forth.

Alternatively:

$$V(q_1, \dots, q_n) = V(q_{10}, \dots, q_{n0}) + \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_{q_{i0}} (q_i - q_{i0}) + \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 (q_i - q_{i0})(q_j - q_{j0}) + \dots$$

$$= V(q_{10}, \dots, q_{n0}) + \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial q_i} \right)_{q_{i0}} \eta_i + \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 \eta_i \eta_j + \dots$$

By shifting the arbitrary zero of the potential the first term may also be made to vanish. Keeping the quadratic terms as the first approx.:

$$V(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 \eta_i \eta_j = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} V_{ij} \eta_i \eta_j$$



Obviously  $V_{ij} = V_{ji}$  and real

Similarly:

$$T = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2 = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i \left( \sum_j \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial q_j} \dot{q}_j + \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial t} \right)^2$$

$$T = M_0 + \sum_j M_j \dot{q}_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k} M_{jk} \dot{q}_j \dot{q}_k$$

$$M_0 = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i \left( \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial t} \right)^2$$

$$M_j = \sum_i m_i \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial q_j}$$

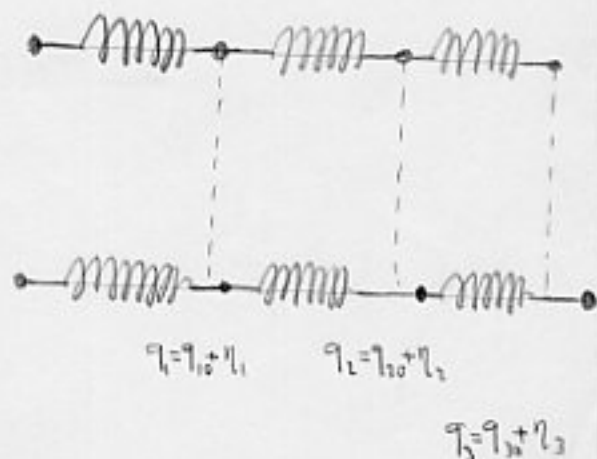
$$M_{jk} = \sum_i m_i \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial q_j} \cdot \frac{\partial \bar{r}_i}{\partial q_k}$$

$$M = M(\bar{r}, t) = M(q_i, t)$$

If the transformation eqs. do not contain the time explicitly, (as may occur when the constraints are time-independent), then only the last two remain.

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} m_{ij} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} m_{ij} \dot{\eta}_i \dot{\eta}_j$$

$$m_{ij}(q_1, \dots, q_n) = m_{ij}(q_1, \dots, q_{n-1}) + \sum_k \left( \frac{\partial m_{ij}}{\partial q_k} \right) q_k + \dots$$



Since  $T$  is already quadratic in the  $\dot{\eta}_i$ 's, the lowest nonvanishing term is considered.

$$m_{ij}(q_1, \dots, q_n) \approx m_{ij}(q_{10}, \dots, q_{n0}) = T_{ij} \text{ const.}$$

$$\rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} T_{ij} \dot{\eta}_i \dot{\eta}_j$$

$$T_{ij} = T_{ji} \quad (\text{and real})$$

$$\mathcal{L} = T - V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} (T_{ij} \dot{\eta}_i \dot{\eta}_j - V_{ij} \eta_i \eta_j)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\eta}_i} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \eta_i} = 0 \quad (n \text{ eqns.})$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_j (T_{ij} \ddot{\eta}_j + V_{ij} \eta_j) = 0 \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Full set of coupled eqns.} \\ n \text{-eqns.} \end{array} \right)$$

6-2 The eigenvalue eqn. and the principal axis transformation

For the  $n$ -linear differential eqns., we try the oscillatory sols.:

$$\eta_i = C a_i e^{-i\omega t}$$

(first we assume all the coords. oscillate with the same frequency,  $\omega$ )  
(Normal mode)

where  $C a_i$ : complex amplitude for each  $\eta_i$

$C$ : scale factor, containing imaginary part (P. 67) Remark

The real part of the sol. corresponds to the actual motion.

# Linear Eqs. -

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = y_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = y_n \end{cases}$$

n-linear inhomogeneous equs. ( $y_i \neq 0$ )

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

Sol.  $\rightarrow X_i = \frac{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & \overset{\text{ith column}}{y_i} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & y_n & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}}{\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{vmatrix}}$

But if  $y_i = 0 \quad \forall i$ :

Case I)  $\det A \neq 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Sol.}} \quad X_i = 0 \quad \forall i$

Case II)  $\det A = 0$

In this case one of the equs., say the last one is linearly dependent. We discard this one. We assume at least one of the equs. say  $x_n$  is non-zero for the remainder (n-1) - equs.

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow a_{11} \frac{x_1}{x_n} + a_{12} \frac{x_2}{x_n} + \dots + a_{1, n-1} \frac{x_{n-1}}{x_n} &= -a_{1n} \\ \dots & \\ a_{n-1, 1} \frac{x_1}{x_n} + \dots + a_{n-1, n-1} \frac{x_{n-1}}{x_n} &= -a_{n-1, n} \end{aligned}$$

Now we have n-1 inhomogeneous equs. as before.

Remark: if one of the  $a_{ij}$ s is chosen real the others will be real

Sub. of the trial sol. into the equs. of motion:

$$(1) \sum_j (V_{ij} a_j - \omega^2 T_{ij} a_j) = 0 \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

These are  $n$ -linear homogenous equs. for  $a_i$ 's.

There exists sol. if:

$$\text{Det } |V_{ij} - \omega^2 T_{ij}| = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} V_{11} - \omega^2 T_{11} & V_{12} - \omega^2 T_{12} & \dots \\ V_{21} - \omega^2 T_{21} & V_{22} - \omega^2 T_{22} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

This is an eqn. of  $n^{\text{th}}$  degree for  $\omega^2$

$\longrightarrow$   $n$  values of  $\omega$  (i.e.  $\omega_k$   $k=1, \dots, n$ )

For each  $\omega$ , equs. (1) can be solved for  $n$  amplitudes of  $a_i$ , or for  $(n-1)$  amplitudes in terms of the remaining  $a_i$ .

In Cartesian coord., let us choose the generalized coords. as follows:

$$q_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_i}} x_i$$

Since in Cartesian coords., only the squares of velocity components appear:

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \dot{q}_i^2$$

so in this case  $T_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$

$$\text{let } \omega^2 = \lambda$$

$$\sum_j V_{ij} a_j - \omega^2 T_{ij} a_j = 0 \rightarrow \sum_j V_{ij} a_j - \lambda \delta_{ij} a_j = 0$$

Similar to eigenvalue Problem (n-dim.)

$$\sum_j V_{ij} a_j = \lambda a_i$$

$$V \bar{a} = \lambda \bar{a}$$

$V$  is symmetric and real  $\rightarrow \lambda$ 's are real (n-number)

n-eigenvectors of  $\bar{a}$  are orthogonal

(These are valid when  $T_{ij}$  is diagonal)  
Similar results can be proved for the general case

In general  $V\bar{a} = \lambda T\bar{a}$

Hermitean property of  $V$  and  $T \longrightarrow \lambda$ 's real and it must be positive

Let  $\bar{a}_k$  be the eigenvector corresponding to  $\lambda_k$

$$(1) \quad V\bar{a}_k = \lambda_k T\bar{a}_k \quad (\text{no summation over } k)$$

Meaning:  $\left\{ \sum_j V_{ij} a_{jk} = \lambda_k \sum_j T_{ij} a_{jk} \quad \left( \begin{matrix} V_{11} & \dots & V_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ V_{n1} & \dots & V_{nn} \end{matrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_k \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & \dots & T_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ T_{n1} & \dots & T_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

The adjoint equ (transposed complex conjugate) for  $\lambda_l$ :

$$(2) \quad \bar{a}_l^+ V = \lambda_l^* \bar{a}_l^+ T \quad (\text{since } T^+ = T, V^+ = V)$$

$$(1) \rightarrow \bar{a}_l^+ V \bar{a}_k = \lambda_k \bar{a}_l^+ T \bar{a}_k$$

$$(2) \rightarrow \bar{a}_l^+ V \bar{a}_k = \lambda_l^* \bar{a}_l^+ T \bar{a}_k$$

$$\rightarrow (\lambda_k - \lambda_l^*) \bar{a}_l^+ T \bar{a}_k = 0$$

For distinct roots  $l \neq k$

$$\bar{a}_l^+ T \bar{a}_k = 0 \quad (\text{i.e. } \sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_{jk} a_{il}^* = 0)$$

If  $l = k$

$$(\lambda_k - \lambda_k^*) \bar{a}_k^+ T \bar{a}_k = 0$$

Now let  $\bar{a}_k = \tilde{\alpha}_k + i\tilde{\beta}_k$

$$\rightarrow \bar{a}_k^+ T \bar{a}_k = \tilde{\alpha}^T \tilde{\alpha}_k + \tilde{\beta}^T \tilde{\beta}_k + i(\tilde{\alpha}_k^T \tilde{\beta}_k - \tilde{\beta}_k^T \tilde{\alpha}_k)$$

or

$$\sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_{jk} a_{ik}^* = \underbrace{\sum_{ij} T_{ij} \alpha_{jk} \alpha_{ik}}_{>0} + \underbrace{\sum_{ij} T_{ij} \beta_{jk} \beta_{ik}}_{>0}$$

$$+ i \left[ \sum_{ij} T_{ij} (\beta_{jk} \alpha_{ik} - \beta_{ik} \alpha_{jk}) \right]$$

$\downarrow$  Symmetric                       $\downarrow$  antisymmetric

$$\rightarrow (\lambda_k - \lambda_k^*) \bar{a}_k^+ T \bar{a}_k = 0 \quad \rightarrow \lambda_k = \lambda_k^*$$

real  $\lambda_k \longrightarrow$  the ratio of  $a_{jk}$  real ( $V \bar{a}_k = \lambda_k T \bar{a}_k$ )

We choose  $a_i$  particular one to be real, then all the others will be real.

Any complex phase factor in the amplitude of the oscillation will be thrown into the factor  $C$ .

Now;

$$V \bar{a}_k = \lambda_k T \bar{a}_k \rightarrow \tilde{\alpha}_k V \bar{a}_k = \lambda_k \tilde{\alpha}_k T \bar{a}_k$$



$$\lambda_k = \frac{\tilde{a}_n V \tilde{a}_n}{\tilde{a}_n T \tilde{a}_n}$$

or 
$$\lambda_k = \frac{\sum_{ij} V_{ij} a_{jn} a_{ik}}{\sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_{jn} a_{ik}}$$

The denominator of this expression is equal to twice kinetic energy for velocities  $a_{ik}$  and since the eigenvectors are real, then

$$\sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_{jn} a_{ik} > 0 \quad \text{positive-definite}$$

Similarly, the numerator is the potential energy for coordinates  $a_{ik}$ , and the cond. that  $V$  be a min. at equilibrium requires that

$$\sum_{ij} V_{ij} a_{jn} a_{ik} \geq 0$$

When  $V$  is not a local Min., this summation might be negative  $\rightarrow$  imaginary  $\omega$ 's

$\rightarrow$  unbounded exp. increase of the  $\eta_i$ 's with  $t$ .  
i.e. containing  $e^{\pm \omega t}$  terms.

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda > 0 & \text{for stable systems} \\ \lambda < 0 & \text{unstable} \end{cases}$$

The values of  $a_{jk}$ 's are not completely fixed by the eigenvalue eqn.

$$V_{ij} a_j - \omega^2 T_{ij} a_j = 0$$

It is possible to remove this indeterminacy by requiring:

$$\tilde{a}_k T a_k = 1 \quad \left( \sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_{jk} a_{ik} = 1 \right)$$

(n-eqs.)

$$\rightarrow \tilde{A} T A = I \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_k = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nk} \end{pmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right\}$$

↑  
for  $\omega_k$

This argument is not true when there exists degeneracy

i.e.  $\lambda_l = \lambda_k$

But we claim there exists a set of  $a_{jk}$  coeffs that satisfies

$$\begin{cases} V_{ij} a_j - \omega^2 T_{ij} a_j = 0 \\ \tilde{a}_l T a_k = 0 \quad l \neq k \end{cases}$$

hence  $\rightarrow \tilde{A} T A = I$  (orthogonalized A is in this sense)

Note:  $V\bar{a} = \lambda T\bar{a}$

$$\rightarrow \tilde{A}VA = \lambda \tilde{A}TA$$

$$T\bar{a} \text{ and } \tilde{A}TA = I \rightarrow \tilde{A}VA = \lambda$$

where  $\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

$$A = \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \right] & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \right] & \dots & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right) \quad (n \times n)$$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & \dots & \\ & & & \\ & & & T_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} & \dots & \\ & & & \\ & & & V_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

### 6-3 Frequencies of free vibration, and Normal coords. -

We found there exists a set of  $n$ -frequencies  $\omega_k$

Therefore the general sol.:

$$\eta_i = C a_i e^{-i\omega t} \longrightarrow \eta_i = \sum_k C_k a_{ik} e^{-i\omega_k t} \quad (1) \quad (C: \text{complex})$$

$$\text{But for each } \lambda_k = \omega_k^2 \longrightarrow \begin{cases} -\omega_k \\ +\omega_k \end{cases}$$

More general sol.:

$$\eta_i = \sum_k a_{ik} (C_k^+ e^{i\omega_k t} - C_k^- e^{-i\omega_k t}) \quad (2)$$

For the actual motion we take the real part:

$$\eta_i = \sum_k f_k a_{ik} \cos(\omega_k t + \delta_k) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \eta_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & -a_{12} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & -a_{n2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \cos(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) \\ \vdots \\ f_n \cos(\omega_n t + \delta_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

$\begin{cases} f_k \\ \delta_k \end{cases}$  are determined from the initial cond.

$\longrightarrow$  Either of sols. (1) and (2) will therefore represent the actual motion. But the former is more convenient.

In eqn (1), unless it happens that all of the  $\omega_k$ 's are commensurable (i.e. rational fractions of each other)  $\eta_i$  never repeats its initial value  $\rightarrow \eta_i$  is not a periodic func. of  $t$ . (ie. if at  $t=t_0$   $\begin{cases} x=x_0 \\ v=v_0 \\ a=a_0 \end{cases}$  then at  $t=t$   $\begin{cases} \text{if } x=x_0 \\ v \neq v_0 \\ a \neq a_0 \end{cases}$ )

However it is possible to make a transformation:

$$\eta_i \rightarrow \xi_i$$

$\xi_i$ : Simple periodic func. of  $t$  (normal coords.)

$$\eta_i = \sum_j a_{ij} \xi_j \quad \text{or} \quad \bar{\eta} = A \bar{\xi}$$

The potential energy:

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \eta_i V_{ij} \eta_j \rightarrow V = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\eta} V \tilde{\eta}$$

$$\text{Since } \tilde{\eta} = \tilde{A} \tilde{\xi} = \tilde{\xi} \tilde{A}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\xi} \tilde{A} V A \tilde{\xi}$$

$$\text{But } \tilde{A} V A = \lambda \rightarrow V = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\xi} \lambda \tilde{\xi} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \omega_k^2 \xi_k^2$$

Also

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\tilde{\eta}}^T \dot{\tilde{\eta}} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\tilde{\xi}}^T \tilde{A} T A \dot{\tilde{\xi}} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\tilde{\xi}}^T I \dot{\tilde{\xi}}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k \dot{\xi}_k^2$$

The new Lagrangian:

$$L = T - V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (\dot{\xi}_k^2 - \omega_k^2 \xi_k^2)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\xi}_i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \xi_i} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \ddot{\xi}_i + \omega_i^2 \xi_i = 0 \quad \rightarrow \xi_i = C_i e^{-i\omega_i t} \quad (\text{not summation})$$

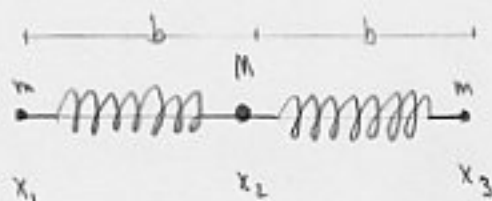
$\xi_k$ : Periodic func with a single frequency  $\omega_k$

Ex.: Linear symmetrical triatomic molecule;

For linear harmonic oscillator:

$$V = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$$

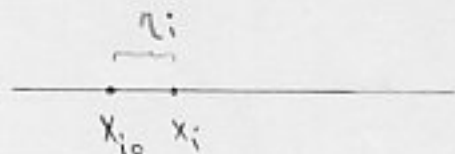
$$V = V_{\text{Spring 1}} + V_{\text{Spring 2}}$$



$$V = \frac{k}{2} (x_2 - x_1 - b)^2 + \frac{k}{2} (x_3 - x_2 - b)^2$$

Tr. to the new coord. (coords. relative to the equilibrium positions)

$$\eta_i = x_i - x_{i0}$$



$$\text{where } \begin{cases} x_{20} - x_{10} = b \\ x_{30} - x_{20} = b \end{cases}$$

$$\text{The potential energy: } V = \frac{k}{2} (\eta_2 - \eta_1)^2 + \frac{k}{2} (\eta_3 - \eta_2)^2$$

$$V = \frac{k}{2} (\eta_1^2 + 2\eta_2^2 + \eta_3^2 - 2\eta_1\eta_2 - 2\eta_2\eta_3)$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} V_{ij} \eta_i \eta_j$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{11} & V_{12} & V_{13} \\ V_{21} & V_{22} & V_{23} \\ V_{31} & V_{32} & V_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k & -k & 0 \\ -k & 2k & -k \\ 0 & -k & k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{\eta}_1^2 + \dot{\eta}_3^2) + \frac{M}{2} \dot{\eta}_2^2$$



$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} T_{ij} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j$$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} & T_{23} \\ T_{31} & T_{32} & T_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m \end{pmatrix}$$

The secular equ.:

$$|V - \omega^2 T| = \begin{vmatrix} K - \omega^2 m & -K & 0 \\ -K & 2K - \omega^2 M & -K \\ 0 & -K & K - \omega^2 m \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\omega^2 (K - \omega^2 m) [K(M + 2m) - \omega^2 Mm] = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \omega_1 = 0, \quad \omega_2 = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}, \quad \omega_3 = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m} \left(1 + \frac{2m}{M}\right)}$$

$\omega_1 = 0$  corresponds to the rigid-body motion (i.e. translation without oscillation). This frequency can be eliminated by imposing the constraint that the center of mass remain stationary at the origin:

$$m(x_1 + x_3) + Mx_2 = 0 \quad (3 \text{ deg.} \rightarrow 2 \text{ deg.})$$

Zero frequencies also arise when both, first and second derivatives of  $V$  vanish at equilibrium.

Small oscillations may still be possible in this case if the fourth derivatives do not also vanish (the third derivatives must vanish for the stable equilibrium).

The vibrations will not be simple harmonic.

$$VA = \lambda TA \rightarrow (V - \lambda T)A = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} k - \omega_j^2 m & -k & 0 \\ -k & 2k - \omega_j^2 M & -k \\ 0 & -k & k - \omega_j^2 m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ a_{3j} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} (k - \omega_j^2 m) a_{1j} - k a_{2j} + 0 = 0 \\ -k a_{1j} + (2k - \omega_j^2 M) a_{2j} - k a_{3j} = 0 \\ 0 - k a_{2j} + (k - \omega_j^2 m) a_{3j} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Solving these eqns. the ratio of the amplitudes can be obtained. A complete sol. can be achieved by imposing the normalization cond.:

$$\tilde{A}^T A = I$$

$$\text{or } \sum_{ij} T_{ij} a_{ik} a_{jk} = 1$$

$$(a_{1j} \ a_{2j} \ a_{3j}) \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & M & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ a_{3j} \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

$$(a_{1j} \ a_{2j} \ a_{3j}) \begin{pmatrix} ma_{1j} \\ Ma_{2j} \\ ma_{3j} \end{pmatrix} = 1 \rightarrow m(a_{1j}^2 + a_{3j}^2) + Ma_{2j}^2 = 1$$

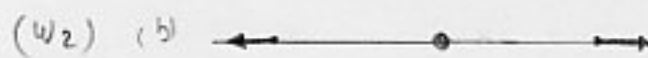
For  $\omega_1 = 0$   $a_{11} = a_{21} = a_{31} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m+M}}$  (only translation)

For  $\omega_2$   $a_{12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}}$ ,  $a_{22} = 0$ ,  $a_{32} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}}$

The center atom at rest

The other two exactly out of phase.

For  $\omega_3$   $a_{13} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m(1+\frac{2m}{M})}}$ ,  $a_{23} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2M(2+\frac{M}{m})}}$ ,  $a_{33} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m(1+\frac{2m}{M})}}$



Longitudinal normal modes  
of the linear symmetric  
triatomic molecule.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m+M}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m(1+\frac{2m}{M})}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m+M}} & 0 & \frac{-2}{\sqrt{2M(2+\frac{M}{m})}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m+M}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m(1+\frac{2m}{M})}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\eta_i = \sum_k f_k a_{ik} \cos(\omega_k t + \delta_k)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \eta_1 &= f_1 a_{11} \cos(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) + f_2 a_{12} \cos(\omega_2 t + \delta_2) + f_3 a_{13} \cos(\omega_3 t + \delta_3) \\ \eta_2 &= f_1 a_{21} \cos(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) + f_2 a_{22} \cos(\omega_2 t + \delta_2) + f_3 a_{23} \cos(\omega_3 t + \delta_3) \\ \eta_3 &= f_1 a_{31} \cos(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) + f_2 a_{32} \cos(\omega_2 t + \delta_2) + f_3 a_{33} \cos(\omega_3 t + \delta_3) \end{aligned} \right.$$

$f_1, f_2, f_3$  and  $\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3$  will be determined by the initial conditions.

Normal coords.:

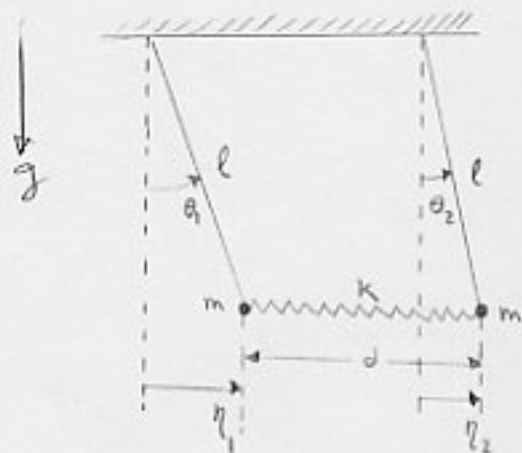
$$\eta = A\xi \rightarrow \xi = A^{-1}\eta \quad \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \\ \xi_3 \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \\ \eta_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{(\text{cofac Matrix})^T}{\det A}$$

In normal coord.:  $\ddot{\xi}_i + \omega_i^2 \xi_i = 0$

$$\rightarrow \xi_i = C_i e^{-i\omega_i t}$$

Ex.: Coupled identical pendulum:



$$\frac{\eta}{l} = \sin \theta = \left( \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} + \dots \right) \approx \theta \quad \text{For small } \theta$$

There are two kinds of potential, gravitational potential and the potential of the spring.

$$\text{Height} = l(1 - \cos \theta) = l \left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \right) \approx \frac{1}{2} l \theta^2 = \frac{\eta^2}{2l}$$

$$V_g = \frac{mg}{2l} (\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2)$$

$$d - d_0 \approx \eta_2 - \eta_1 \quad d_0: \text{the length of spring at rest}$$

$$V_s = \frac{k}{2} (\eta_2 - \eta_1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= V_g + V_s = \frac{mg}{2l} (\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2) + \frac{k}{2} (\eta_2 - \eta_1)^2 \\ &= \left( \frac{mg}{2l} + \frac{k}{2} \right) (\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2) - k \eta_1 \eta_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$V_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{mg}{l} + k & -k \\ -k & \frac{mg}{l} + k \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T = \frac{m}{2} [(\ell \dot{\theta}_1)^2 + (\ell \dot{\theta}_2)^2] \approx \frac{m}{2} (\dot{q}_1^2 + \dot{q}_2^2)$$

$$T_{ij} = m \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(V - \omega^2 T) = 0 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega^2 m & -k \\ -k & \frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega^2 m \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega^2 m = \pm k \rightarrow \begin{cases} \omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell}} \\ \omega_2 = \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell} + \frac{2k}{m}} \end{cases}$$

$$(V - \lambda T)A = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega_j^2 m & -k \\ -k & \frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega_j^2 m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$(1) \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega_j^2 m \right) a_{1j} - k a_{2j} = 0 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$(2) \left\{ \begin{aligned} & -k a_{1j} + \left( \frac{mg}{\ell} + k - \omega_j^2 m \right) a_{2j} = 0 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$(3) \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \tilde{A}TA = I \rightarrow (a_{1j} \ a_{2j}) \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \end{pmatrix} = 1 \rightarrow a_{1j}^2 + a_{2j}^2 = \frac{1}{m} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell}} \xrightarrow{\text{sub. in (1)}} a_{11} = a_{21} \xrightarrow{\text{sub. in (3)}} a_{11} = a_{21} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2m}}$$

$$\omega_2 = \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell} + \frac{2k}{m}} \xrightarrow{\text{"}} a_{12} = -a_{22} \xrightarrow{\text{"}} a_{12} = -a_{22} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2m}}$$

$$\bar{a}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \bar{a}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\eta_i = \sum_k C_k a_{ik} e^{-i\omega_k t} \quad \text{or} \quad \eta_i = \sum_k f_k a_{ik} \zeta_k(\omega_k t + \delta_k)$$

$$\xi = A^{-1} \eta \quad A^{-1} = \frac{(\text{cofactor Matrix})^T}{\det A}$$

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}{-2 \frac{1}{2m}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(1) \quad \xi = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 + \eta_2 \\ \eta_1 - \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 + \eta_2 \\ \eta_1 - \eta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

In  $\eta$ -coords.:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{\eta}_1^2 + \dot{\eta}_2^2) - \frac{mg}{2l} (\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2) - \frac{1}{2} k (\eta_1^2 + \eta_2^2 - 2\eta_1 \eta_2)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = 0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} m\ddot{\eta}_1 + (k + \frac{mg}{l})\eta_1 - k\eta_2 = 0 \\ m\ddot{\eta}_2 + (k + \frac{mg}{l})\eta_2 - k\eta_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

The last term in each eqn. reflects the presence of the spring coupling the motion of the two pendulums.

Substituting the anticipated sols. in the eqns. of motions gives the oscillation frequencies. Again substituting the frequencies in the eqns. of motion gives the amplitudes of oscillation.

$$\begin{cases} \eta_1 = f_1 a_{11} \zeta_1(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) + f_2 a_{12} \zeta_2(\omega_2 t + \delta_2) \\ \eta_2 = f_1 a_{21} \zeta_1(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) + f_2 a_{22} \zeta_2(\omega_2 t + \delta_2) \end{cases}$$

Using eqn (1) the lagrangian reduces to:

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^2 (\dot{\xi}_k^2 - \omega_k^2 \xi_k^2) \rightarrow \ddot{\xi}_k + \omega_k^2 \xi_k = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \xi = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1 \\ \xi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} C_1 \zeta_1(\omega_1 t + \delta_1) \\ C_2 \zeta_2(\omega_2 t + \delta_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

Small Oscillation of Particles on String:  
 N-body problem:  
 Transverse Oscillations;

Consider a light string or spring stretched with force  $F$ , with  $n$ -equal masses  $m$  along it, with equal spacing of interval  $l$ .



$$L = (n+1)l : \text{total length}$$

$\delta l$ : the change in the length of the string between  $j$ th and  $(j+1)$ th particle,

$$l + \delta l = \sqrt{l^2 + (q_{j+1} - q_j)^2} \approx l \left[ 1 + \frac{(q_{j+1} - q_j)^2}{2l^2} \right]$$

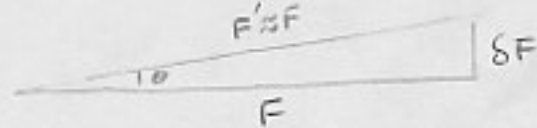
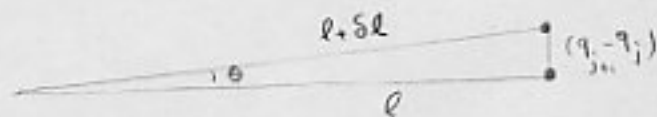
$$\delta l = \frac{(q_{j+1} - q_j)^2}{2l}$$

We assume the tension  $F$  in string in equilibrium position and in a stretched position is the same.

$$\begin{cases} \tan \theta = \frac{q_{j+1} - q_j}{l} \\ \tan \theta = \frac{\delta F}{F} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\delta F}{(q_{j+1} - q_j)} = \frac{F}{l}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\delta F}{q_{j+1} - q_j} = k \rightarrow \frac{F}{l} = k$$



$$V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i k q_i^2$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \frac{F}{\ell} [q_1^2 + (q_2 - q_1)^2 + (q_3 - q_2)^2 + \dots + (q_n - q_{n-1})^2 + q_n^2]$$

$$V = \frac{F}{2\ell} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (q_{j-1} - q_j)^2 \quad q_0 = 0 \quad q_{n+1} = 0$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m \sum_j \dot{q}_j^2$$

$$\mathcal{L} = T - V = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \left[ \frac{1}{2} m \dot{q}_j^2 - \frac{F}{2\ell} (q_{j-1} - q_j)^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_j} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_j} = 0$$

$$m \ddot{q}_j - \frac{F}{\ell} (q_{j-1} - 2q_j + q_{j+1}) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\ddot{q}_j - \omega_0^2 (q_{j-1} - 2q_j + q_{j+1}) = 0$$

where  $\omega_0^2 = \frac{F}{m\ell}$

This is call nearest neighbour interaction -

The coupling is only between the neighbouring particles;

When  $n$  is small, we can solve the problem as before.

But when  $n$  is large, we proceed as below;

$$q_{j+1} = a_j e^{i\omega t}$$

Substitute in (1)

$$-\frac{F}{\ell} a_{j-1} + \left(2\frac{F}{\ell} - m\omega^2\right) a_j - \frac{F}{\ell} a_{j+1} = 0 \quad (1)$$

with  $a_0 = a_{n+1} = 0$

$$\text{we try } a_j = a e^{i(j\gamma - \delta)} \quad a: \text{real}$$

If we find  $a$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  to satisfy our problem conditions, the procedure is justified.

Introducing  $a_j$  in (1):

$$-\frac{F}{\ell} e^{-i\gamma} + \left(2\frac{F}{\ell} - m\omega^2\right) - \frac{F}{\ell} e^{i\gamma} = 0$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{2F}{m\ell} - \frac{F}{m\ell} (e^{i\gamma} + e^{-i\gamma}) = \frac{2F}{m\ell} (1 - \cos\gamma)$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{4F}{m\ell} \sin^2 \frac{\gamma}{2}$$

Since we know secular determinant has  $n$ -value for  $\omega$ :

$$\omega_r = 2\sqrt{\frac{F}{m\ell}} \sin \frac{\gamma_r}{2} \quad r=1, \dots, n$$

Now applying the boundary conds. we determine  $\gamma_r$  and  $\delta_r$

$$a_{jr} = a_r e^{i(j\gamma_r - \delta_r)}$$

We take the real part that has physical meaning:

$$a_{jr} = a_r \cos(j\gamma_r - \delta_r)$$

Boundary conditions:

$$a_{0r} = a_{(n+1)r} = 0$$

$$a_{0r} = 0 \rightarrow j=0 \rightarrow \delta_r = (2k+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \quad k: \text{integer}$$

$$a_{jr} = a_r \cos(j\gamma_r - \frac{\pi}{2}) = a_r \sin j\gamma_r$$

and  $a_{(n+1)r} = 0 \quad a_r \sin[(n+1)\gamma_r] = 0$

$$\rightarrow (n+1)\gamma_r = k\pi \quad k: \text{integer}$$

$$\gamma_r = \frac{k\pi}{n+1} \quad k=1, 2, \dots \Rightarrow \gamma_r = \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \quad r=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\rightarrow a_{jr} = a_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right)$$

$$q_j(t) = \sum_r f_r a_{jr} e^{i\omega_r t} = \sum_r f_r a_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) e^{i\omega_r t}$$

$$\omega_r = 2\sqrt{\frac{F}{m\ell}} \sin\left(\frac{r\pi}{2(n+1)}\right)$$

$$q_j(t) = \sum_r B_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) e^{i\omega_r t}$$

Since in beginning we did not consider a phase in

$q_j(t) = a_j e^{i\omega t}$ , we let  $B_r$  to be complex;

$$B_r = \mu_r + i \nu_r$$

$$\rightarrow q_j(t) = \sum_r \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\Omega}{n+1} \right) (\mu_r \cos \omega_r t - \nu_r \sin \omega_r t) \quad \underline{\text{Real Part}}$$

$$\rightarrow q_j(0) = \sum_r \mu_r \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\Omega}{n+1} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\dot{q}_j(0) = -\sum_r \omega_r \nu_r \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\Omega}{n+1} \right) \quad (2)$$

multiply (1) by  $\Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right)$  and sum over  $j$ .

$$\sum_j q_j(0) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right) = \sum_{j,r} \mu_r \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\Omega}{n+1} \right) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right)$$

But  $\sum_{j=1}^n \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\Omega}{n+1} \right) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right) = \frac{n+1}{2} \delta_{rs} \quad r, s = 1 \dots n$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \sum_j q_j(0) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right) &= \sum_r \mu_r \frac{n+1}{2} \delta_{rs} \\ &= \frac{n+1}{2} \mu_s \end{aligned}$$

or  $\mu_s = \frac{2}{n+1} \sum_j q_j(0) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right)$

using a similar procedure;

$$\nu_s = -\frac{2}{\omega_s(n+1)} \sum_j \dot{q}_j(0) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{s\Omega}{n+1} \right)$$



Ex. — Consider a loaded string consisting of 3-particles, regularly spaced on the string. At  $t=0$  the center particle (only) is displaced a distance  $a$  and released from rest. Describe the subsequent motion.

Sol.  $n=3$

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} q_1(0) = 0 & q_2(0) = a & q_3(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{q}_1(0) = 0 & \dot{q}_2(0) = 0 & \dot{q}_3(0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \rightarrow v_r = 0 \quad v_1 = v_2 = v_3 = 0$$

$$M_r = \frac{2}{n+1} \sum_j q_j(0) \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right) = \frac{1}{2} a \Sigma \cdot \left( \frac{r\pi}{2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow M_1 = \frac{1}{2} a \quad M_2 = 0 \quad M_3 = -\frac{1}{2} a$$

Now  $\Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right) =$

$j$	$r=1$	$r=2$	$r=3$
1	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	1	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
2	1	0	-1
3	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	-1	$-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$$q_j(t) = \sum_r \Sigma \cdot \left( j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right) (M_r \cos \omega_r t - v_r \sin \omega_r t)$$

$$q_1(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} a (\cos \omega_1 t - \cos \omega_3 t)$$

$$q_2(t) = \frac{1}{2} a (\cos \omega_1 t - \cos \omega_3 t)$$

$$q_3(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} a (\cos \omega_1 t - \cos \omega_3 t)$$

where  $\omega_r = 2 \sqrt{\frac{F}{ml}} \Sigma \cdot \left( \frac{r\pi}{8} \right) \quad r=1, 2, 3$

Longitudinal Oscillation:

$$\mathcal{L} = T - V$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} m \sum_{j=1}^n \dot{\eta}_j^2 - \frac{1}{2} k \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (\eta_{j-1} - \eta_j)^2$$



$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\eta}_i} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \eta_i} = 0$$

$$m \ddot{\eta}_i - k (\eta_{j-1} - 2\eta_i + \eta_{j+1}) = 0 \quad j=1, \dots, n$$