

Analytical Mechanics: Variational Principles

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Statics

Variation principle in statics

$$\text{minimize } I = U - W$$

under constraint

$$\text{minimize } I = U - W$$

$$\text{subject to } R = 0$$

Solutions

- analytically solve $\delta I = 0$
- numerical optimization (fminbnd or fmincon)

Statics in variational form

U potential energy

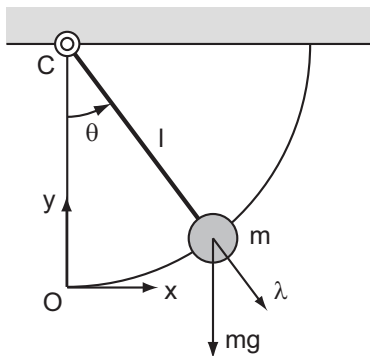
W work done by external forces/torques

Variational principle in statics

Internal energy $I = U - W$ reaches to its minimum at equilibrium:

$$I = U - W \rightarrow \text{minimum}$$

Example (simple pendulum)

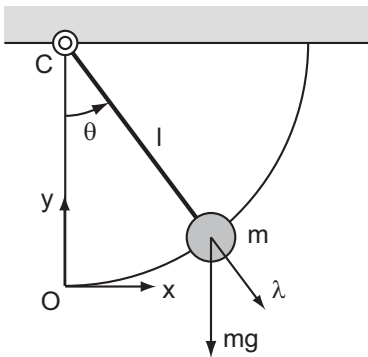


simple pendulum of length l and mass m suspended at point C

τ : external torque around C , θ : angle around C

Given τ , derive θ at equilibrium.

Example (simple pendulum)



$$U = mgl(1 - \cos \theta), \quad W = \tau \theta$$
$$l = mgl(1 - \cos \theta) - \tau \theta$$

Example (simple pendulum)

Solve

$$\delta I = 0$$

analytically

$\Downarrow$

$$I = mgl(1 - \cos \theta) - \tau \theta$$

$$I + \delta I = mgl(1 - \cos(\theta + \delta \theta)) - \tau(\theta + \delta \theta)$$

Example (simple pendulum)

Note that $\cos(\theta + \delta\theta) = \cos\theta - (\sin\theta)\delta\theta$:

$$\begin{aligned}l &= mgl(1 - \cos\theta) - \tau\theta \\l + \delta l &= mgl(1 - \cos\theta + (\sin\theta)\delta\theta) - \tau(\theta + \delta\theta)\end{aligned}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta l &= mgl(\sin\theta)\delta\theta - \tau\delta\theta \\&= (mgl\sin\theta - \tau)\delta\theta \equiv 0, \quad \forall\delta\theta\end{aligned}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$mgl\sin\theta - \tau = 0$$

Example (simple pendulum)

Solve

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize } I &= mgl(1 - \cos \theta) - \tau\theta \\ &(-\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi) \end{aligned}$$

numerically



Apply `fminbnd` to minimize a function numerically

Example (simple pendulum)

Sample Programs

- minimizing internal energy
- internal energy of simple pendulum

Example (simple pendulum)

Result

```
>> internal_energy_simple_pendulum_min
```

```
thetamin =
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```
0.5354
```

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Imin =
```

```
-0.0261
```

Statics under single constraint

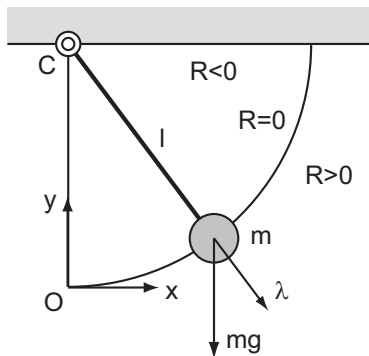
- U potential energy
- W work done by external forces/torques
- R geometric constraint

Variational principle in statics

Internal energy $U - W$ reaches to its minimum at equilibrium under geometric constraint $R = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } U - W \\ &\text{subject to } R = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)



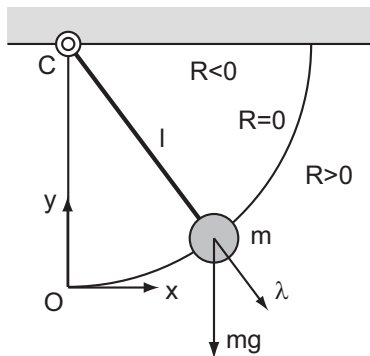
simple pendulum of length l and mass m suspended at point C

$[x, y]^T$: position of mass

$[f_x, f_y]^T$: external force applied to mass

Given $[f_x, f_y]^T$, derive $[x, y]^T$ at equilibrium.

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)



geometric constraint

distance between C and mass = l

$$R \triangleq \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{1/2} - l = 0$$

Statics under single constraint

Solve

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & U - W \\ \text{subject to} & R = 0\end{array}$$

analytically

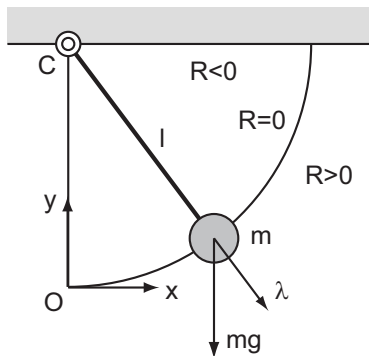


$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & I = U - W - \lambda R \\ \lambda: & \text{Lagrange's multiplier}\end{array}$$



$$\delta I = \delta(U - W - \lambda R) = 0$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)



$$U = mgy, \quad W = f_x x + f_y y$$

$$R = \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{1/2} - l$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

$$I = mgy - (f_x x + f_y y) - \lambda \left[\{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{1/2} - l \right]$$

Note that $\delta R = R_x \delta x + R_y \delta y$, where

$$R_x \triangleq \frac{\partial R}{\partial x} = x \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{-1/2}$$

$$R_y \triangleq \frac{\partial R}{\partial y} = (y - l) \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{-1/2}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta I &= mg \delta y - f_x \delta x - f_y \delta y - \lambda R_x \delta x - \lambda R_y \delta y \\ &= (-f_x - \lambda R_x) \delta x + (mg - f_y - \lambda R_y) \delta y \equiv 0, \quad \forall \delta x, \delta y \end{aligned}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

$$\begin{aligned} -f_x - \lambda R_x &= 0 \\ mg - f_y - \lambda R_y &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -mg \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} R_x \\ R_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -mg \end{bmatrix} \text{ grav. force, } \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{bmatrix} \text{ ext. force, } \lambda \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} R_x \\ R_y \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{gradient vector } (\perp \text{ to } R=0)} \text{ constraint force}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

three equations w.r.t. three unknowns x , y , and λ :

$$\begin{aligned}-f_x - \lambda R_x &= 0 \\ mg - f_y - \lambda R_y &= 0 \\ R &= 0\end{aligned}$$

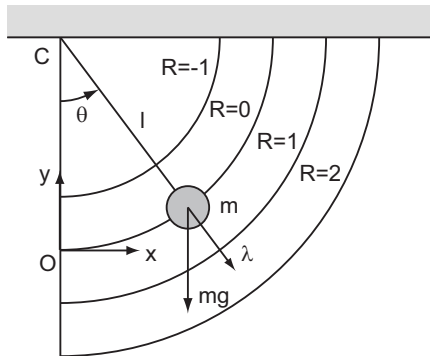


we can determine position of mass $[x, y]^T$ and magnitude of constraint force λ

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Note

$$\begin{aligned} I &= U - W - \lambda R \\ &= U - (W + \lambda R) \end{aligned}$$



λ magnitude of a constraint force
 R distance along the force

constraint force $\perp$
contour $R = \text{constant}$

λR work done by a constraint force

$W + \lambda R$ work done by external & constraint forces

Statics under single constraint

Solve

$$\text{minimize } I = U - W$$

$$\text{subject to } R = 0$$

numerically



Apply `fmincon` to minimize a function numerically under constraints

Note: "Optimization Toolbox" is needed to use `fmincon`

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Sample Programs

- minimizing internal energy (Cartesian)
- internal energy of simple pendulum (Cartesian)
- constraints

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Result:

```
>> internal_energy_pendulum_Cartesian_min  
Local minimum found that satisfies the constraints.
```

```
<stopping criteria details>
```

```
qmin =  
      1.4001  
      3.4281
```

```
Imin =  
      -0.4897
```

Statics under multiple constraints

U	potential energy
W	work done by external forces/torques
R_1, R_2	geometric constraints

Variational principle in statics

Internal energy $U - W$ reaches to its minimum at equilibrium under geometric constraints $R_1 = 0$ and $R_2 = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } U - W \\ &\text{subject to } R_1 = 0, \quad R_2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$\delta I = \delta(U - W - \lambda_1 R_1 - \lambda_2 R_2) = 0$$

λ_1, λ_2 : Lagrange's multipliers

Dynamics

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = T - U + W$$

$$\mathcal{L} = T - U + W + \lambda R \quad (\text{under constraint})$$

Lagrange equations of motion

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

Solutions

- numerical ODE solver (ode45)
- constraint stabilization method (CSM)

Dynamics in variational form

Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t)$ w.r.t.

a set of generalized coordinates $\mathbf{q}$ and its time derivative $\dot{\mathbf{q}}$
time integral of Lagrangian:

$$\text{action integral} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) dt$$

Variational principle in dynamics

variation of action integral vanishes

for any geometrically admissible variation of $\mathbf{q}$

$$\text{V.I.} \triangleq \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \delta \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) dt \equiv 0$$

for any $\delta \mathbf{q}$ satisfying $\delta \mathbf{q}(t_1) = 0$ and $\delta \mathbf{q}(t_2) = 0$

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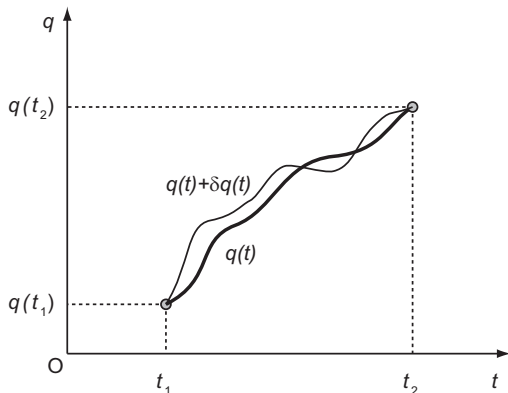
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Dynamics in variational form



Lagrangian corresponding to $\mathbf{q} + \delta \mathbf{q}$:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q} + \delta \mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \delta \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t) + \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} + \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

Dynamics in variational form

variation of $L(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, t)$:

$$\delta \mathcal{L} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} + \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

time integral of the second term:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \dot{\mathbf{q}} dt &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \frac{d}{dt} \delta \mathbf{q} dt \\ &= \underbrace{\left[\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} \right]_{t=t_1}^{t=t_2}}_{0 \text{ since } \delta \mathbf{q}(t_1) = 0 \text{ and } \delta \mathbf{q}(t_2) = 0} - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} dt \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(-\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} dt \end{aligned}$$

Dynamics in variational form

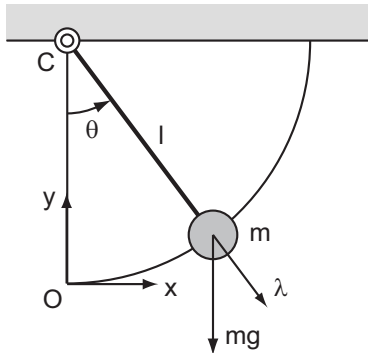
Variation of action integral:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{V.I.} &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} \, dt + \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(-\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} \, dt \\ &= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} \right)^\top \delta \mathbf{q} \, dt \equiv 0 \quad \forall \delta \mathbf{q} \\ &\quad \Downarrow\end{aligned}$$

Lagrange equation of motion

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

Example (simple pendulum)



simple pendulum of length l and mass m suspended at point C
 τ : external torque around C at time t , θ : angle around C at time t
Derive the motion of the pendulum.

Dynamics in variational form

T kinetic energy
 U potential energy
 W work done by external forces/torques

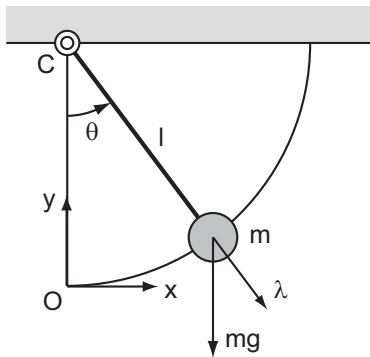
Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = T - U + W$$

Lagrange equation of motion

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \theta} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = 0$$

Example (simple pendulum)



$$T = \frac{1}{2}(ml^2)\dot{\theta}^2$$

$$U = mgl(1 - \cos \theta), \quad W = \tau \theta$$

Example (simple pendulum)

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(ml^2)\dot{\theta}^2 - mgl(1 - \cos \theta) + \tau\theta$$

partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = -mgl \sin \theta + \tau, \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = (ml^2)\dot{\theta}$$
$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = ml^2\ddot{\theta}$$

Lagrange equation of motion

$$-mgl \sin \theta + \tau - ml^2\ddot{\theta} = 0$$

Example (simple pendulum)

Equation of the pendulum motion

$$ml^2\ddot{\theta} = -mgl \sin \theta + \tau$$



Canonical form of ordinary differential equation

$$\dot{\theta} = \omega$$

$$\dot{\omega} = \frac{1}{ml^2} (\tau - mgl \sin \theta)$$

can be solved numerically by an ODE solver

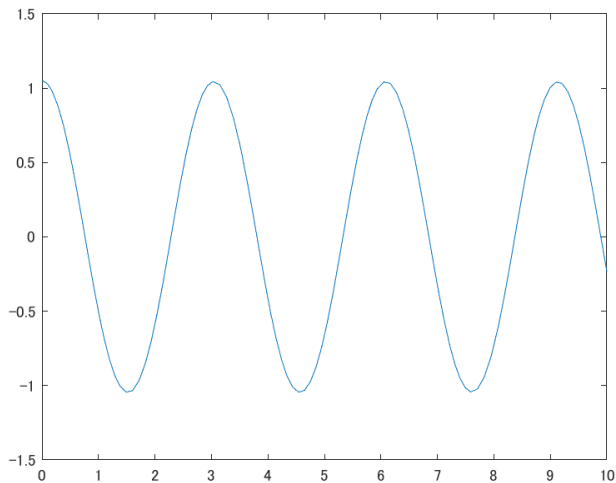
Example (simple pendulum)

Sample Programs

- solve the equation of motion of simple pendulum
- equation of motion of simple pendulum
- external torque

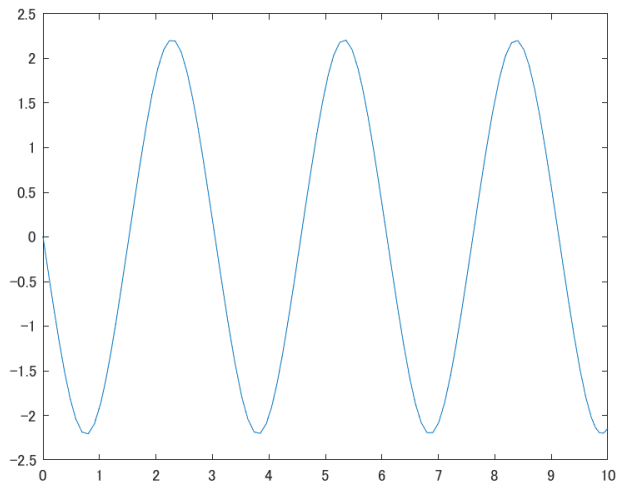
Example (simple pendulum)

Result



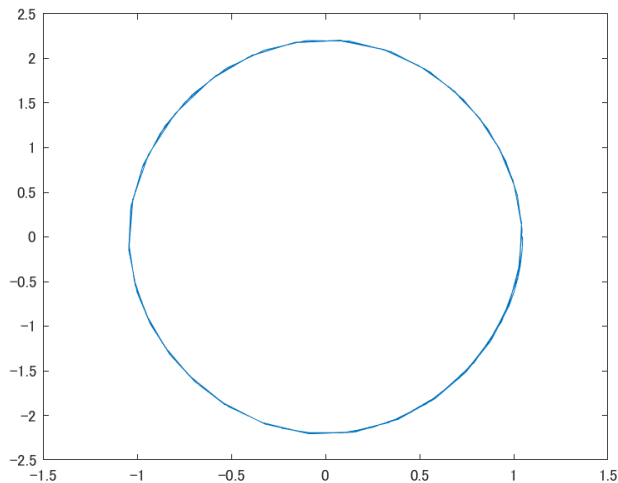
Example (simple pendulum)

Result



Example (simple pendulum)

Result



Example (pendulum with viscous friction)

Assumptions

viscous friction around supporting point C works

viscous friction causes a negative torque around C

magnitude of the torque is proportional to angular velocity

$$\text{viscous friction torque} = -b\dot{\theta} \quad (b: \text{positive constant})$$

Replacing τ by $\tau - b\dot{\theta}$:

$$(ml^2)\ddot{\theta} = (\tau - b\dot{\theta}) - mgl \sin \theta$$

$\Downarrow$

$$\dot{\theta} = \omega$$

$$\dot{\omega} = \frac{1}{ml^2} (\tau - b\omega - mgl \sin \theta)$$

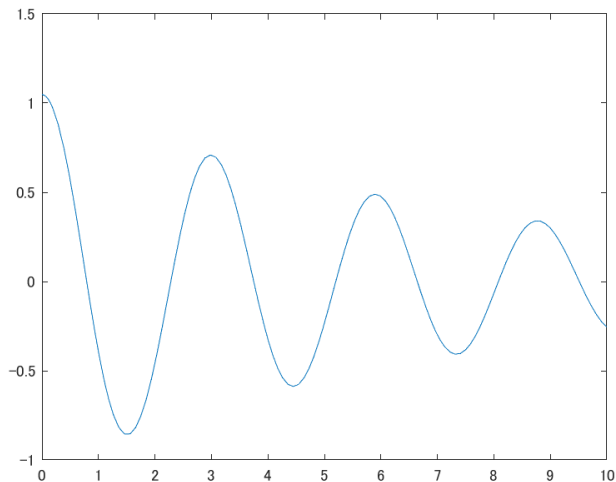
Example (pendulum with viscous friction)

Sample Programs

- solve the equation of motion of damped pendulum
- equation of motion of damped pendulum
- external torque

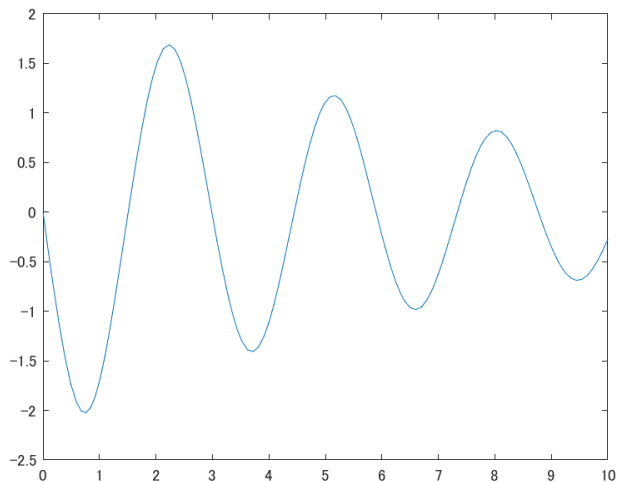
Example (pendulum with viscous friction)

Result



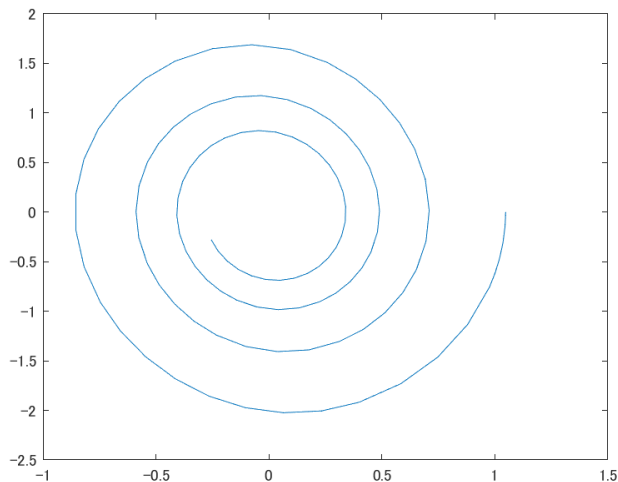
Example (pendulum with viscous friction)

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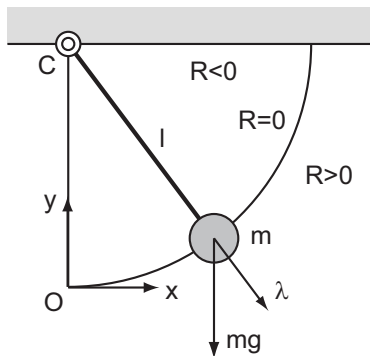


Example (pendulum with viscous friction)

Result



Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)



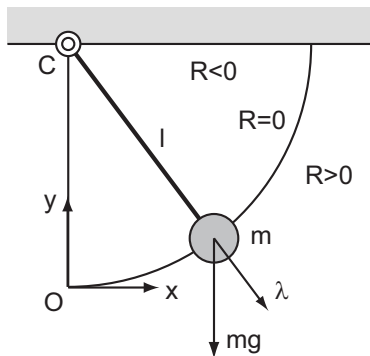
simple pendulum of length l and mass m suspended at point C

$[x, y]^T$: position of mass at time t

$[f_x, f_y]^T$: external force applied to mass at time t

Derive the motion of the pendulum in Cartesian coordinates.

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)



geometric constraint

distance between C and mass = l

$$R \triangleq \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{1/2} - l = 0$$

Dynamics under single constraint

- T kinetic energy
- U potential energy
- W work done by external forces/torques

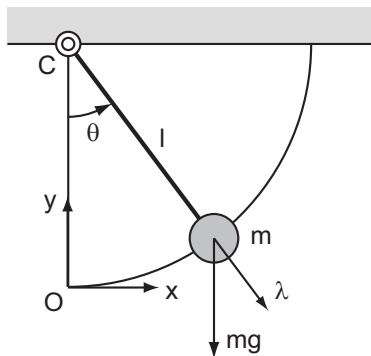
Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = T - U + W + \lambda R$$

Lagrange equations of motion

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{x}} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{y}} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)



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

$$U = mgy, \quad W = f_x x + f_y y$$

$$R = \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{1/2} - l$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}m\{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2\} - mgy + f_x x + f_y y + \lambda \left[\{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{1/2} - l \right]$$

partial derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x} &= f_x + \lambda R_x, & \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{x}} &= m\dot{x} \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} &= -mg + f_y + \lambda R_y, & \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{y}} &= m\dot{y} \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange equations of motion

$$\begin{aligned} f_x + \lambda R_x - m\ddot{x} &= 0 \\ -mg + f_y + \lambda R_y - m\ddot{y} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Lagrange equations of motion

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ -mg \end{array} \right] & + & \left[\begin{array}{c} f_x \\ f_y \end{array} \right] & + & \lambda \left[\begin{array}{c} R_x \\ R_y \end{array} \right] & + & \left\{ -m \left[\begin{array}{c} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{array} \right] \right\} = \left[\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \text{gravitational} & & \text{external} & & \text{constraint} & & \text{inertial} \end{array}$$

dynamic equilibrium among forces

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

three equations w.r.t. three unknowns x , y , and λ :

$$m\ddot{x} = f_x + \lambda R_x$$

$$m\ddot{y} = -mg + f_y + \lambda R_y$$

$$R = 0$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

three equations w.r.t. three unknowns x , y , and λ :

$$m\ddot{x} = f_x + \lambda R_x$$

$$m\ddot{y} = -mg + f_y + \lambda R_y$$

$$R = 0$$

Mixture of differential and algebraic equations



Difficult to solve the mixture of differential and algebraic equations

Constraint stabilization method (CSM)

Constraint stabilization

convert algebraic eq. to its almost equivalent differential eq.

$$\text{algebraic eq. } R = 0$$



$$\text{differential eq. } \ddot{R} + 2\alpha\dot{R} + \alpha^2 R = 0$$

(α : large positive constant)

critical damping (converges to zero most quickly)

Constraint stabilization method (CSM)

Dynamic equation of motion under geometric constraint:

$$\text{differential eq. } \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{algebraic eq. } R = 0$$



$$\text{differential eq. } \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mathbf{q}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{q}}} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{differential eq. } \ddot{R} + 2\alpha\dot{R} + \alpha^2 R = 0$$

can be solved numerically by an ODE solver.

Computing equation for constraint stabilization

Assume R depends on x and y : $R(x, y) = 0$

Differentiating $R(x, y)$ w.r.t time t :

$$\dot{R} = \frac{\partial R}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial R}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = R_x \dot{x} + R_y \dot{y}$$

Differentiating $R_x(x, y)$ and $R_y(x, y)$ w.r.t time t :

$$\dot{R}_x = \frac{\partial R_x}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial R_x}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = R_{xx} \dot{x} + R_{xy} \dot{y}$$

$$\dot{R}_y = \frac{\partial R_y}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial R_y}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} = R_{yx} \dot{x} + R_{yy} \dot{y}$$

Second order time derivative:

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{R} &= (\dot{R}_x \dot{x} + R_x \ddot{x}) + (\dot{R}_y \dot{y} + R_y \ddot{y}) \\ &= (R_{xx} \dot{x} + R_{xy} \dot{y}) \dot{x} + R_x \ddot{x} + (R_{yx} \dot{x} + R_{yy} \dot{y}) \dot{y} + R_y \ddot{y}\end{aligned}$$

Computing equation for constraint stabilization

Second order time derivative:

$$\ddot{R} = \begin{bmatrix} R_x & R_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} & \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Equation to stabilize constraint:

$$\begin{aligned} - \begin{bmatrix} R_x & R_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} & \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad + 2\alpha(R_x\dot{x} + R_y\dot{y}) + \alpha^2 R \end{aligned}$$

$$\Downarrow \quad v_x \triangleq \dot{x}, \quad v_y \triangleq \dot{y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} - \begin{bmatrix} R_x & R_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{v}_x \\ \dot{v}_y \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix} \\ &\quad + 2\alpha(R_x v_x + R_y v_y) + \alpha^2 R \end{aligned}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Equation for stabilizing constraint $R(x, y) = 0$:

$$-R_x \dot{v}_x - R_y \dot{v}_y = C(x, y, v_x, v_y)$$

where

$$C(x, y, v_x, v_y) = \begin{bmatrix} v_x & v_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix} + 2\alpha(R_x v_x + R_y v_y) + \alpha^2 R$$

In this example

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \{x^2 + (y - l)^2\}^{-1/2}, & R_x &= xP, & R_y &= (y - l)P \\ R_{xx} &= P - x^2 P^3, & R_{yy} &= P - (y - l)^2 P^3 \\ R_{xy} &= R_{yx} = -x(y - l)P^3 \end{aligned}$$

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Combining equations of motion and equation for constraint stabilization:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= v_x \\ \dot{y} &= v_y \\ \begin{bmatrix} m & & -R_x \\ & m & -R_y \\ -R_x & -R_y & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} f_x \\ -mg + f_y \\ C(x, y, v_x, v_y) \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

five equations w.r.t. five unknown variables x , y , v_x , v_y and λ

given x , y , v_x , $v_y \implies \dot{x}$, $\dot{y}$, $\dot{v}_x$, $\dot{v}_y$

This canonical ODE can be solved numerically by an ODE solver.

Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Let $\mathbf{x} = [x, y]^\top$. Introducing gradient vector

$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{bmatrix} R_x \\ R_y \end{bmatrix}$$

yields

$$\dot{R} = \mathbf{g}^\top \dot{\mathbf{x}}$$

Introducing Hessian matrix

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{bmatrix}$$

yields

$$\ddot{R} = \mathbf{g}^\top \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \dot{\mathbf{x}}^\top H \dot{\mathbf{x}}$$

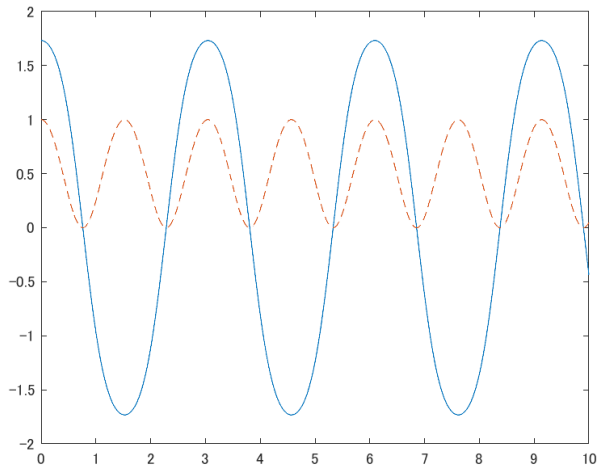
Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

Sample Programs

- solve the equation of motion of simple pendulum (Cartesian)
- equation of motion of simple pendulum (Cartesian)

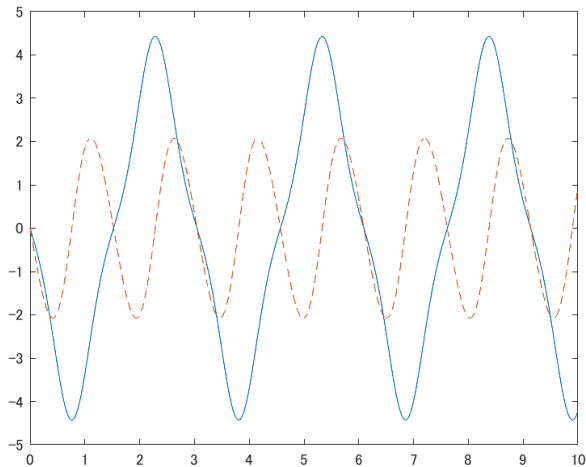
Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

$t-x, y$



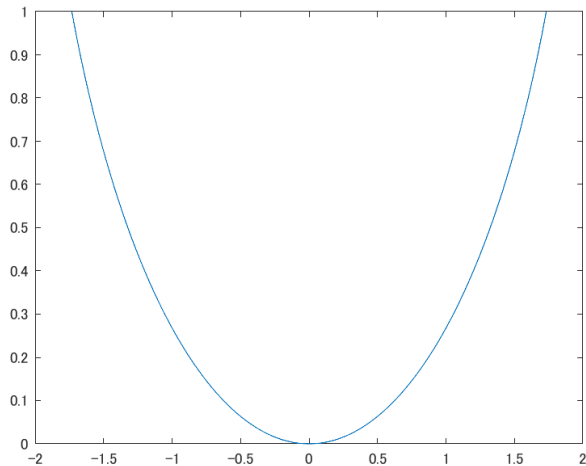
Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

$t-v_x, v_y$



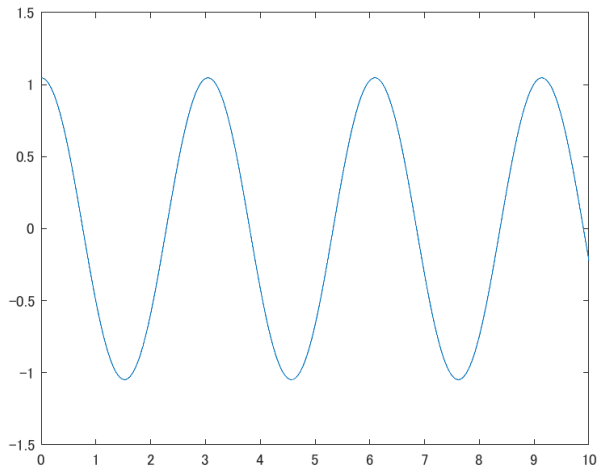
Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

$x-y$



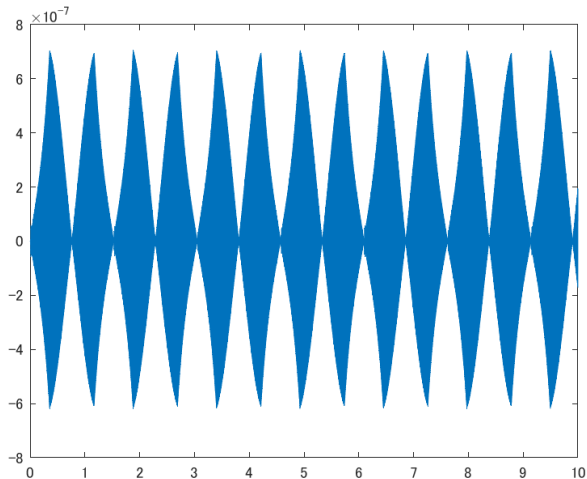
Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

t -computed θ



Example (pendulum in Cartesian coordinates)

t -constraint R



Notice

Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= T - U + W + \lambda R \\ &= T - (U - W - \lambda R) \\ &= T - I\end{aligned}$$

Lagrangian is equal to the difference between kinetic energy and internal energy under a constraint

Summary

Variational principles

- statics $I = U - W$
- statics under constraint $I = U - W - \lambda R$

$$\delta I \equiv 0$$

- dynamics $\mathcal{L} = T - U + W$
- dynamics under constraint $\mathcal{L} = T - U + W + \lambda R$

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

- constraint stabilization method

Summary

How to solve a static problem

Solve (nonlinear) equations originated from variation

or

Numerically minimize internal energy

How to solve a dynamic problem

Step 1 Derive Lagrange equations of motion **analytically**

Step 2 Solve the derived equations **numerically**

Report

Report # 1 due date : Oct. 19 (Mon) 1:00 AM

Simulate the dynamic motion of a pendulum under viscous friction described with Cartesian coordinates x and y . Apply constraint stabilization method to convert the constraint into its almost equivalent ODE, then apply any ODE solver to solve a set of ODEs (equations of motion and equation for constraint stabilization) numerically.

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Report

Report # 2 due date : Oct. 26 (Mon) 1:00 AM

Assume that a system is described by four coordinates q_1 through q_4 . Two constraints R_1 and R_2 are imposed on the system. Let $\mathbf{q} = [q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4]^\top$ and $\mathbf{R} = [R_1, R_2]^\top$. Let $\mathbf{g}_1$ and H_1 be gradient vector and Hessian matrix related to R_1 while $\mathbf{g}_2$ and H_2 be gradient vector and Hessian matrix related to R_2 . Let J be Jacobian given by

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \partial R_1 / \partial q_1 & \partial R_1 / \partial q_2 & \partial R_1 / \partial q_3 & \partial R_1 / \partial q_4 \\ \partial R_2 / \partial q_1 & \partial R_2 / \partial q_2 & \partial R_2 / \partial q_3 & \partial R_2 / \partial q_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show the following equations:

$$\dot{\mathbf{R}} = J\dot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{R}} = J\ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}}^\top H_1 \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{q}}^\top H_2 \dot{\mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix}$$