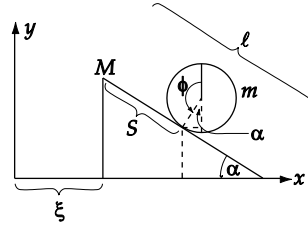


7-6.



Let us choose ξ, S as our generalized coordinates. The x, y coordinates of the center of the hoop are expressed by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x &= \xi + S \cos \alpha + r \sin \alpha \\ y &= r \cos \alpha + (\ell - S) \sin \alpha \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

Therefore, the kinetic energy of the hoop is

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\text{hoop}} &= \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) + \frac{1}{2} I \dot{\phi}^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m \left[(\dot{\xi} + \dot{S} \cos \alpha)^2 + (-\dot{S} \sin \alpha)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2} I \dot{\phi}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Using $I = mr^2$ and $S = r\phi$, (2) becomes

$$T_{\text{hoop}} = \frac{1}{2} m \left[2\dot{S}^2 + \dot{\xi}^2 + 2\dot{\xi}\dot{S} \cos \alpha \right] \quad (3)$$

In order to find the total kinetic energy, we need to add the kinetic energy of the translational motion of the plane along the x -axis which is

$$T_{\text{plane}} = \frac{1}{2} M \dot{\xi}^2 \quad (4)$$

Therefore, the total kinetic energy becomes

$$T = m\dot{S}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(m + M)\dot{\xi}^2 + m\dot{\xi}\dot{S} \cos \alpha \quad (5)$$

The potential energy is

$$U = mgy = mg[r \cos \alpha + (\ell - S) \sin \alpha] \quad (6)$$

Hence, the Lagrangian is

$$l = m\dot{S}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(m + M)\dot{\xi}^2 + m\dot{\xi}\dot{S} \cos \alpha - mg[r \cos \alpha + (\ell - S) \sin \alpha] \quad (7)$$

from which the Lagrange equations for ξ and S are easily found to be

$$\boxed{2m\ddot{S} + m\ddot{\xi} \cos \alpha - mg \sin \alpha = 0} \quad (8)$$

$$\boxed{(m + M)\ddot{\xi} + m\ddot{S} \cos \alpha = 0} \quad (9)$$

or, if we rewrite these equations in the form of uncoupled equations by substituting for $\ddot{\xi}$ and \ddot{S} , we have

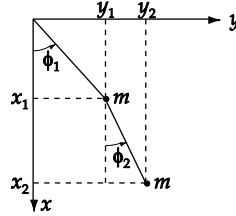
$$\left[\begin{array}{l} 2 - \frac{m \cos^2 \alpha}{m + M} \ddot{S} - g \sin \alpha = 0 \\ \ddot{\xi} = - \frac{mg \sin \alpha \cos \alpha}{2(m + M) - m \cos^2 \alpha} \end{array} \right] \quad (10)$$

Now, we can rewrite (9) as

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[(m + M) \dot{\xi} + m \dot{S} \cos \alpha \right] = 0 \quad (11)$$

where we can interpret $(m + M) \dot{\xi}$ as the x component of the linear momentum of the total system and $m \dot{S} \cos \alpha$ as the x component of the linear momentum of the hoop with respect to the plane. Therefore, (11) means that the x component of the total linear momentum is a constant of motion. This is the expected result because no external force is applied along the x -axis.

7-7.



If we take (ϕ_1, ϕ_2) as our generalized coordinates, the x, y coordinates of the two masses are

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 = \ell \cos \phi_1 \\ y_1 = \ell \sin \phi_1 \end{array} \right] \quad (1)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_2 = \ell \cos \phi_1 + \ell \cos \phi_2 \\ y_2 = \ell \sin \phi_1 + \ell \sin \phi_2 \end{array} \right] \quad (2)$$

Using (1) and (2), we find the kinetic energy of the system to be

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{m}{2} (\dot{x}_1^2 + \dot{y}_1^2) + \frac{m}{2} (\dot{x}_2^2 + \dot{y}_2^2) \\ &= \frac{m}{2} \ell^2 \left[\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 2\dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 (\sin \phi_1 \sin \phi_2 + \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2) \right] \\ &= \frac{m}{2} \ell^2 \left[2\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 2\dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

The potential energy is

$$U = -mgx_1 - mgx_2 = -mg\ell[2 \cos \phi_1 + \cos \phi_2] \quad (4)$$

Therefore, the Lagrangian is

$$L = m\ell^2 \left[\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}_2^2 + \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \right] + mg\ell[2 \cos \phi_1 + \cos \phi_2] \quad (5)$$

from which

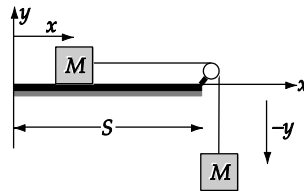
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_1} &= m\ell^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) - 2mg\ell \sin \phi_1 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}_1} &= 2m\ell^2 \dot{\phi}_1 + m\ell^2 \dot{\phi}_2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_2} &= -m\ell^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) - mg\ell \sin \phi_2 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}_2} &= m\ell^2 \dot{\phi}_2 + m\ell^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

The Lagrange equations for ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are

$$2\ddot{\phi}_1 + \ddot{\phi}_2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) + \dot{\phi}_2^2 \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) + 2\frac{g}{\ell} \sin \phi_1 = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$\ddot{\phi}_2 + \ddot{\phi}_1 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) - \dot{\phi}_1^2 \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) + \frac{g}{\ell} \sin \phi_2 = 0 \quad (8)$$

7-10.



Let the length of the string be ℓ so that

$$(S - x) - y = \ell \quad (1)$$

Then,

$$\dot{x} = -\dot{y} \quad (2)$$

a) The Lagrangian of the system is

$$L = \frac{1}{2} M\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} M\dot{y}^2 - Mgy = M\dot{y}^2 - Mgy \quad (3)$$

Therefore, Lagrange's equation for y is

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{y}} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} = 2M\dot{y} + Mg = 0 \quad (4)$$

from which

$$\ddot{y} = -\frac{g}{2} \quad (5)$$

Then, the general solution for y becomes

$$y(t) = -\frac{g}{4} t^2 + C_1 t + C_2 \quad (6)$$

If we assign the initial conditions $y(t=0) = 0$ and $\dot{y}(t=0) = 0$, we find

$$\boxed{y(t) = -\frac{g}{4} t^2} \quad (7)$$

b) If the string has a mass m , we must consider its kinetic energy and potential energy. These are

$$T_{\text{string}} = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{y}^2 \quad (8)$$

$$U_{\text{string}} = -\frac{m}{\ell} y g \frac{y}{2} = -\frac{mg}{2\ell} y^2 \quad (9)$$

Adding (8) and (9) to (3), the total Lagrangian becomes

$$L = M\dot{y}^2 - Mgy + \frac{1}{2} m\dot{y}^2 + \frac{mg}{2\ell} y^2 \quad (10)$$

Therefore, Lagrange's equation for y now becomes

$$(2M + m)\ddot{y} - \frac{mg}{\ell} y + Mg = 0 \quad (11)$$

In order to solve (11), we arrange this equation into the form

$$(2M + m)\ddot{y} = \frac{mg}{\ell} \left[y - \frac{M\ell}{m} \right] \quad (12)$$

Since $\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left[y - \frac{M\ell}{m} \right] = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} y$, (12) is equivalent to

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left[y - \frac{M\ell}{m} \right] = \frac{mg}{\ell(2M + m)} \left[y - \frac{M\ell}{m} \right] \quad (13)$$

which is solved to give

$$y - \frac{M\ell}{m} = Ae^{\gamma t} + Be^{-\gamma t} \quad (14)$$

where

$$\gamma = \sqrt{\frac{mg}{\ell(2M+m)}} \quad (15)$$

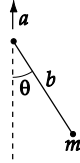
If we assign the initial condition $y(t=0) = 0$; $\dot{y}(t=0) = 0$, we have

$$A = +B = -\frac{M\ell}{2m}$$

Then,

$$\boxed{y(t) = \frac{M\ell}{m} (1 - \cosh \gamma t)} \quad (16)$$

7-14.



$$x = b \sin \theta$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} at^2 - b \cos \theta$$

$$\dot{x} = b\dot{\theta} \cos \theta$$

$$\dot{y} = at + b\dot{\theta} \sin \theta$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) = \frac{1}{2} m(b^2\dot{\theta}^2 + a^2t^2 + 2abt\dot{\theta} \sin \theta)$$

$$U = mgy = mg \left[\frac{1}{2} at^2 - b \cos \theta \right]$$

$$L = T - U = \frac{1}{2} m(b^2\dot{\theta}^2 + a^2t^2 + 2abt\dot{\theta} \sin \theta) + mg \left(b \cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} at^2 \right)$$

Lagrange's equation for θ gives

$$\frac{d}{dt} [mb^2\dot{\theta} + mabt \sin \theta] = mabt\dot{\theta} \cos \theta - mgb \sin \theta$$

$$b^2\ddot{\theta} + ab \sin \theta + abt\dot{\theta} \cos \theta = abt\dot{\theta} \cos \theta - gb \sin \theta$$

$$\boxed{\ddot{\theta} + \frac{a+g}{b} \sin \theta = 0}$$

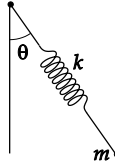
For small oscillations, $\sin \theta \approx \theta$

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{a+g}{b} \theta = 0.$$

Comparing with $\ddot{\theta} + \omega^2 \theta = 0$ gives

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{b}{a+g}}$$

7-15.



b = unextended length of spring

l = variable length of spring

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

$$U = \frac{1}{2} k (\ell - b)^2 + mgy = \frac{1}{2} k (\ell - b)^2 - mg \ell \cos \theta$$

$$L = T - U = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{l}^2 + l^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - \frac{1}{2} k (\ell - b)^2 + mg \ell \cos \theta$$

Taking Lagrange's equations for l and θ gives

$$l: \frac{d}{dt} [m\dot{l}] = m\dot{l}\dot{\theta}^2 - k(\ell - b) + mg \cos \theta$$

$$\theta: \frac{d}{dt} [m\ell^2 \dot{\theta}] = -mg \ell \sin \theta$$

This reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{l} - \ell \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{k}{m} (\ell - b) - g \cos \theta &= 0 \\ \ddot{\theta} + \frac{2}{\ell} \dot{l} \dot{\theta} + \frac{g}{\ell} \sin \theta &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

7-22. The potential energy U which gives the force

$$F(x, t) = \frac{k}{x^2} e^{-(t/\tau)} \quad (1)$$

must satisfy the relation

$$F = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \quad (2)$$

we find

$$U = \frac{k}{x} e^{-t/\tau} \quad (3)$$

Therefore, the Lagrangian is

$$L = T - U = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 - \frac{k}{x} e^{-t/\tau} \quad (4)$$

The Hamiltonian is given by

$$H = p_x \dot{x} - L = \dot{x} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} - L \quad (5)$$

so that

$$H = \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{k}{x} e^{-t/\tau} \quad (6)$$

The Hamiltonian is equal to the total energy, $T + U$, because the potential does not depend on velocity, but the total energy of the system is not conserved because H contains the time explicitly.

7-23. The Hamiltonian function can be written as [see Eq. (7.153)]

$$H = \sum_j p_j \dot{q}_j - L \quad (1)$$

For a particle which moves freely in a conservative field with potential U , the Lagrangian in rectangular coordinates is

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

and the linear momentum components in rectangular coordinates are

$$\left. \begin{aligned} p_x &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = m\dot{x} \\ p_y &= m\dot{y} \\ p_z &= m\dot{z} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$H = [m\dot{x}^2 + m\dot{y}^2 + m\dot{z}^2] - \left[\frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - U \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) + U = \frac{1}{2m} (p_x^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2) \quad (3)$$

which is just the total energy of the particle. The canonical equations are [from Eqs. (7.160) and (7.161)]

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{p}_x &= m\ddot{x} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = F_x \\ \dot{p}_y &= m\ddot{y} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = F_y \\ \dot{p}_z &= m\ddot{z} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial z} = F_z \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

These are simply Newton's equations.