

**PHY 711 Classical Mechanics and
Mathematical Methods**
9-9:50 AM MWF Olin 107

Plan for Lecture 19:

Welcome back from fall break

1. Comments on mid-term exam
2. Comments on “computational projects”
3. Mechanics of continuous media (Chapters 4 & 7)

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Three events this week --

Special Seminar: Oct. 16, 2017 at 3 PM
Special WFU Physics Seminar
TITLE: “Quantum Information Science”
SPEAKER: Jaewan Kim Korea Institute for
Advanced Study TIME: Monday, October 16,
2017, at 3:00pm PLACE: Olin 101 There will
be a reception ...

Career Event: Oct. 18 at 12:00 pm + pizza
WFU Physics Career Advising Event TITLE:
“Opportunities for Undergraduate, Graduate,
and Postdoctoral Research at Oak Ridge
National Laboratory (ORNL)”
SPEAKER: Zachary D. Hood School of
Chemistry and Biochemistry, Georgia Institute
of ...

Colloquium: Oct. 18, 2017 at 4 PM
WFU Physics and Chemistry Colloquium
TITLE: “Solid Electrolytes and Their
Interfaces: Bridging Mechanistic
Understanding to Their Performance”
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of Technology, ...

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9	Fri, 9/15/2017	Chap. 3 and 6	Lagrangian mechanics and constraints	#8	9/20/2017
10	Mon, 9/18/2017	Chap. 3 and 6	Constants of the motion		
11	Wed, 9/20/2017	Chap. 3 and 6	Hamiltonian formalism	#9	9/27/2017
12	Fri, 9/22/2017	Chap. 3 and 6	Liouville equation		
13	Mon, 9/25/2017	Chap. 6	Canonical transformations		
14	Wed, 9/27/2017	Chap. 4	Motion from Small oscillations about equilibrium		
15	Fri, 9/29/2017	Chap. 1-4,6	Review		
	Mon, 10/02/2017		Take-home exam -- No class		
	Wed, 10/04/2017		Take-home exam -- No class		
16	Fri, 10/06/2017	Chap. 4	Vibrational modes		
17	Mon, 10/09/2017	Chap. 5	Rigid body motion	#10	10/16/2017
18	Wed, 10/11/2017	Chap. 5	Rigid body motion		
	Fri, 10/13/2017		Fall break -- No class		
19	Mon, 10/16/2017		Discuss exam questions and topics for presentations	Topic	10/18/2017
20	Wed, 10/18/2017				
21	Fri, 10/20/2017				
22	Mon, 10/23/2017				

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1. Suppose that you want to find an extremum of an integral of a function between an initial and final time of the form

$$U = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} f(q(t), \dot{q}(t), t) dt,$$

where $q(t)$ represents a generalized coordinate as a function of t . Find the differential equation for $q(t)$ which results from optimization of U for the case that

$$f(q(t), \dot{q}(t), t) = Aq^2 + B\dot{q}^2 t^2.$$

Here A and B are fixed constants, and $q(t_i) \equiv q_i$ and $q(t_f) \equiv q_f$ are also fixed constants. It is not necessary to solve for $q(t)$.

Euler-Lagrange equations:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{q}} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial q} = 2Aq + B\dot{q}^2 t^2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{q}} = 2B\dot{q} t^2$$

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$\cos \phi = (1 + (2CEb)^2)^{-1/2}$

$2\phi + \theta = \pi$

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Solving for b : Valid for $m \ll M$

$$b = \left| \frac{1 \sin \phi}{2CE \cos \phi} \right| = \left| \frac{1 \cos(\theta/2)}{2CE \sin(\theta/2)} \right|$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{b}{\sin \theta} \left| \frac{db}{d\theta} \right| = \frac{1}{(4CE)^2} \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$$

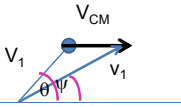
For $m \sim M$, need to evaluate CM cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}_{CM} = \frac{1}{(4CE_{rel})^2} \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$$

$$E_{rel} = \frac{1}{2} \mu v_{rel}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{mM}{m+M} v_m^2 = \frac{M}{m+M} E$$

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Relationship between center of mass and laboratory frames of reference – for elastic scattering



$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{V}_1 + \mathbf{V}_{CM}$$

$$v_1 \sin \psi = V_1 \sin \theta$$

$$v_1 \cos \psi = V_1 \cos \theta + V_{CM}$$

$$\tan \psi = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + V_{CM} / V_1} = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + m / M}$$

Also: $\cos \psi = \frac{\cos \theta + m / M}{\sqrt{1 + 2m / M \cos \theta + (m / M)^2}}$

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Differential cross sections in different reference frames – continued:

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma_{LAB}(\psi)}{d\Omega_{LAB}} \right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma_{CM}(\theta)}{d\Omega_{CM}} \right) \frac{d \cos \theta}{d \cos \psi}$$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma_{LAB}(\psi)}{d\Omega_{LAB}} \right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma_{CM}(\theta)}{d\Omega_{CM}} \right) \frac{(1 + 2m / M \cos \theta + (m / M)^2)^{3/2}}{(m / M) \cos \theta + 1}$$

where: $\tan \psi = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta + m / M}$

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For $m = M$:

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma_{LAB}(\psi)}{d\Omega_{LAB}} \right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma_{CM}(\theta)}{d\Omega_{CM}} \right) \frac{(1 + 2m / M \cos \theta + (m / M)^2)^{3/2}}{(m / M) \cos \theta + 1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(CE)^2} \frac{\cos \psi}{\sin^4 \psi}$$

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3. A particle of mass m and charge q moves in the field of a vector potential $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -(E_0 ct + B_0 z)\hat{y}$. (Note that we are using the cgs Gaussian units of your text book.) Here E_0 denotes a constant electric field amplitude and B_0 denotes a constant magnetic field amplitude. The initial particle position is $\mathbf{r}(0) = 0$ and the initial particle velocity is $\dot{\mathbf{r}}(0) = 0$.
- Determine the Lagrangian $L(x, y, z, \dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{z}, t)$ which describes the particle's motion.
 - Write the Euler-Lagrange equations for this system.
 - Find the particle trajectories $x(t)$, $y(t)$, $z(t)$ by solving the equations and imposing the initial conditions.
 - Determine the Hamiltonian $H(x, y, z, p_x, p_y, p_z, t)$ for this system.
 - Convince yourself that the canonical equations of motion are consistent with results of the Lagrangian analysis. (It is not necessary to repeat your solution.)

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$$L = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) + \frac{q}{c}\dot{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \mathbf{A}(x, y, z, t)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - \frac{q}{c}\dot{y}(E_0 ct + B_0 z)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}m\dot{x} = 0 \quad x(t) = 0; \quad \dot{x}(t) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(m\dot{y} - \frac{q}{c}(E_0 ct + B_0 z)\right) = 0$$

$$\dot{y} = \frac{q}{mc}(E_0 ct + B_0 z)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}m\dot{z} = -\frac{q}{c}B_0\dot{y}$$

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When the dust clears:

$$y(t) = \frac{mc}{qB_0} \frac{E_0 c}{B_0} \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{qB_0}{mc}t\right)\right)$$

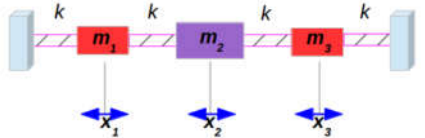
$$z(t) = \frac{E_0 c}{B_0} \left(\frac{mc}{qB_0} \sin\left(\frac{qB_0}{mc}t\right) - t\right)$$

$$H = \frac{p_x^2}{2m} + \frac{p_z^2}{2m} + \frac{\left(p_y + \frac{q}{c}(E_0 ct + B_0 z)\right)^2}{2m}$$

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$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}_3^2 + \frac{1}{2}3m\dot{x}_2^2 - \frac{1}{2}kx_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}kx_3^2 - \frac{1}{2}k(x_3 - x_2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}k(x_2 - x_1)^2$$

$$m\ddot{x}_1 = -2kx_1 + kx_2$$

$$3m\ddot{x}_2 = -2kx_2 + kx_1 + kx_3$$

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$$x_i(t) = X_i e^{-i\omega t}$$

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$$\frac{k}{m} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{pmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Maple says:

$$\omega^2 = 2\frac{k}{m}, \left(\frac{4}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{3}\right)\frac{k}{m}, \left(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{3}\right)\frac{k}{m}$$

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Picking topic for "project"

- Prepare ~ 10 minute presentation to teach us (and yourself) something related to classical mechanics
- Similar effort to take-home exam
- May combine projects for PHY 711 and 741

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