

**PHY 711 Classical Mechanics and
Mathematical Methods
10-10:50 AM MWF Olin 103**

Plan for Lecture 24:

Rotational motion (Chapter 5)

1. Rigid body motion in body fixed frame
2. Conversion between body and inertial reference frames
3. Symmetric top motion

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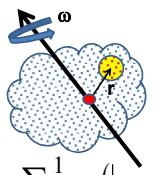


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Summary of previous results
describing rigid bodies rotating
about a fixed origin



$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right)_{\text{inertial}} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Kinetic energy: } T &= \sum_p \frac{1}{2} m_p v_p^2 = \sum_p \frac{1}{2} m_p \left(|\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_p| \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_p \frac{1}{2} m_p (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_p) \cdot (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_p) \\ &= \sum_p \frac{1}{2} m_p \left[(\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega})(\mathbf{r}_p \cdot \mathbf{r}_p) - (\mathbf{r}_p \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega})^2 \right] \\ &= \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \sum_p m_p (1 r_p^2 - \mathbf{r}_p \cdot \mathbf{r}_p) \end{aligned}$$

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Moment of inertia tensor
Matrix notation:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} I_{xx} & I_{xy} & I_{xz} \\ I_{yx} & I_{yy} & I_{yz} \\ I_{zx} & I_{zy} & I_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \quad I_{ij} \equiv \sum_p m_p (\delta_{ij} r_p^2 - r_{pi} r_{pj})$$

For general coordinate system: $T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} I_{ij} \omega_i \omega_j$

For (body fixed) coordinate system that diagonalizes moment of inertia tensor: $\tilde{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i = I_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3$

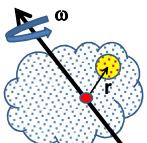
$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \quad \Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i I_i \tilde{\omega}_i^2$$

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Continued -- summary of previous results describing rigid bodies rotating about a fixed origin



$$\left(\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right)_{inertial} = \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Angular momentum: } \mathbf{L} &= \sum_p m_p \mathbf{r}_p \times \mathbf{v}_p = \sum_p m_p \mathbf{r}_p \times (\boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{r}_p) \\ &= \sum_p m_p [\boldsymbol{\omega}(\mathbf{r}_p \cdot \mathbf{r}_p) - \mathbf{r}_p(\mathbf{r}_p \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega})] \\ &= \tilde{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{I}} \equiv \sum_p m_p (I r_p^2 - \mathbf{r}_p \cdot \mathbf{r}_p) \end{aligned}$$

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Descriptions of rotation about a given origin -- continued

For (body fixed) coordinate system that diagonalizes moment of inertia tensor:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i = I_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \quad \boldsymbol{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3$$

$$\mathbf{L} = I_1 \tilde{\omega}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + I_2 \tilde{\omega}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + I_3 \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3$$

$$\text{Time derivative: } \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} = \left(\frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} \right)_{body} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{L}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} &= I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + I_2 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 + \\ &\quad \tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_2) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 (I_2 - I_1) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \end{aligned}$$

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Descriptions of rotation about a given origin -- continued
Note that the torque equation

$$\frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} = \left(\frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} \right)_{body} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{L} = \boldsymbol{\tau}$$

is very difficult to solve directly in the body fixed frame.

For $\boldsymbol{\tau} = 0$ we can solve the Euler equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{L}}{dt} = 0 &= I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + I_2 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 + \\ &\tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_2) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 (I_2 - I_1) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \\ I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_2) &= 0 \\ I_2 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) &= 0 \\ I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 + \tilde{\omega}_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 (I_2 - I_1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Euler equations for rotation in body fixed frame :

$$I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_2) = 0$$

$$I_2 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) = 0$$

$$I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 + \tilde{\omega}_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 (I_2 - I_1) = 0$$

Solution for symmetric top -- $I_2 = I_1$:

$$I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_1) = 0$$

$$I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) = 0$$

$$I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \tilde{\omega}_3 = (\text{constant})$$

$$\text{Define : } \Omega \equiv \tilde{\omega}_3 \frac{I_3 - I_1}{I_1} \quad \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 = -\tilde{\omega}_2 \Omega$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 = \tilde{\omega}_1 \Omega$$

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Solution of Euler equations for a symmetric top -- continued

$$\dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 = -\tilde{\omega}_2 \Omega \quad \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 = \tilde{\omega}_1 \Omega$$

$$\text{where } \Omega \equiv \tilde{\omega}_3 \frac{I_3 - I_1}{I_1}$$

$$\text{Solution : } \tilde{\omega}_1(t) = A \cos(\Omega t + \varphi)$$

$$\tilde{\omega}_2(t) = A \sin(\Omega t + \varphi)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i I_i \tilde{\omega}_i^2 = \frac{1}{2} I_1 A^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_3 \tilde{\omega}_3^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{L} &= I_1 \tilde{\omega}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + I_2 \tilde{\omega}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + I_3 \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \\ &= I_1 A (\cos(\Omega t + \varphi) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + \sin(\Omega t + \varphi) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2) + I_3 \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3 \end{aligned}$$

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Euler equations for rotation in body fixed frame :

$$I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_2) = 0$$

$$I_2 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) = 0$$

$$I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 + \tilde{\omega}_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 (I_2 - I_1) = 0$$

Solution for asymmetric top -- $I_3 \neq I_2 \neq I_1$:

Suppose : $\dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 \approx 0$ Define : $\Omega_1 \equiv \tilde{\omega}_3 \frac{I_3 - I_2}{I_1}$

Define : $\Omega_2 \equiv \tilde{\omega}_3 \frac{I_3 - I_1}{I_2}$

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Euler equations for asymmetric top -- continued

$$I_1 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \tilde{\omega}_3 (I_3 - I_2) = 0$$

$$I_2 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \tilde{\omega}_1 (I_1 - I_3) = 0$$

$$I_3 \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 + \tilde{\omega}_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 (I_2 - I_1) = 0$$

If $\dot{\tilde{\omega}}_3 \approx 0$, Define: $\Omega_1 \equiv \tilde{\omega}_3 \frac{I_3 - I_2}{I_1}$ $\Omega_2 \equiv \tilde{\omega}_3 \frac{I_3 - I_1}{I_2}$

$$\dot{\tilde{\omega}}_1 = -\Omega_1 \tilde{\omega}_2 \quad \dot{\tilde{\omega}}_2 = \Omega_2 \tilde{\omega}_1$$

If Ω_1 and Ω_2 are both positive or both negative :

$$\tilde{\omega}_1(t) \approx A \cos(\sqrt{\Omega_1 \Omega_2} t + \varphi)$$

$$\tilde{\omega}_2(t) \approx A \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_2}{\Omega_1}} \sin(\sqrt{\Omega_1 \Omega_2} t + \varphi)$$

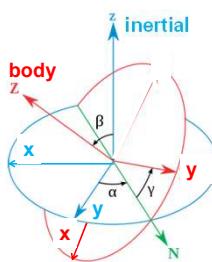
\Rightarrow If Ω_1 and Ω_2 have opposite signs, solution is unstable.

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Transformation between body-fixed and inertial coordinate systems – Euler angles



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$\tilde{\omega} = \dot{\alpha} \hat{e}_3^0 + \dot{\beta} \hat{e}_2' + \dot{\gamma} \hat{e}_3$

Need to express all components in body-fixed frame:

$\tilde{\omega} = \tilde{\omega}_1 \hat{e}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \hat{e}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{e}_3$

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$\tilde{\omega} = \dot{\alpha} \hat{e}_3^0 + \dot{\beta} \hat{e}_2' + \dot{\gamma} \hat{e}_3$

$\hat{e}_2' = \sin \gamma \hat{e}_1 + \cos \gamma \hat{e}_2$

Matrix representation :

$$\hat{e}_2' = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma & 0 \\ -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \gamma \\ \cos \gamma \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$\tilde{\omega} = \dot{\alpha} \hat{e}_3^0 + \dot{\beta} \hat{e}_2' + \dot{\gamma} \hat{e}_3$

$\hat{e}_3^0 = -\sin \beta \hat{e}_1' + \cos \beta \hat{e}_3'$
 $= -\cos \gamma \sin \beta \hat{e}_1 + \sin \gamma \sin \beta \hat{e}_2 + \cos \beta \hat{e}_3$

Matrix representation:

$$\hat{e}_3^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \gamma & \sin \gamma & 0 \\ -\sin \gamma & \cos \gamma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta & 0 & -\sin \beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin \beta & 0 & \cos \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \beta \cos \gamma \\ \sin \beta \sin \gamma \\ \cos \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = \dot{\alpha} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3^0 + \dot{\beta} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \dot{\gamma} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = \dot{\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \beta \cos \gamma \\ \sin \beta \sin \gamma \\ \cos \beta \end{pmatrix} + \dot{\beta} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \gamma \\ \cos \gamma \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \dot{\gamma} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = \tilde{\omega}_1 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 + \tilde{\omega}_2 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \tilde{\omega}_3 \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = \dot{\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \beta \cos \gamma \\ \sin \beta \sin \gamma \\ \cos \beta \end{pmatrix} + \dot{\beta} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \gamma \\ \cos \gamma \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \dot{\gamma} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\omega}_1 = \dot{\alpha}(-\sin \beta \cos \gamma) + \dot{\beta} \sin \gamma$$

$$\tilde{\omega}_2 = \dot{\alpha}(\sin \beta \sin \gamma) + \dot{\beta} \cos \gamma$$

$$\tilde{\omega}_3 = \dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}$$

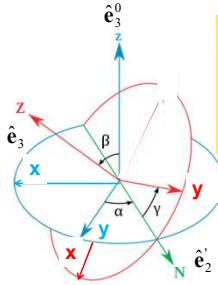
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$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = \dot{\alpha} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3^0 + \dot{\beta} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 + \dot{\gamma} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\omega}} = [\dot{\alpha}(-\sin \beta \cos \gamma) + \dot{\beta} \sin \gamma] \hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \\ + [\dot{\alpha}(\sin \beta \sin \gamma) + \dot{\beta} \cos \gamma] \hat{\mathbf{e}}_2 \\ + [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}] \hat{\mathbf{e}}_3$$



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Rotational kinetic energy

$$T(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dot{\alpha}, \dot{\beta}, \dot{\gamma}) = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \tilde{\omega}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_2 \tilde{\omega}_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_3 \tilde{\omega}_3^2 \\ = \frac{1}{2} I_1 [\dot{\alpha}(-\sin \beta \cos \gamma) + \dot{\beta} \sin \gamma]^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2} I_2 [\dot{\alpha}(\sin \beta \sin \gamma) + \dot{\beta} \cos \gamma]^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2} I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}]^2$$

If $I_1 = I_2$:

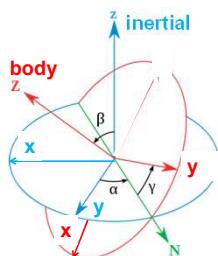
$$T(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dot{\alpha}, \dot{\beta}, \dot{\gamma}) = \frac{1}{2} I_1 (\dot{\alpha}^2 \sin^2 \beta + \dot{\beta}^2) + \frac{1}{2} I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}]^2$$

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Transformation between body-fixed and inertial coordinate systems – Euler angles



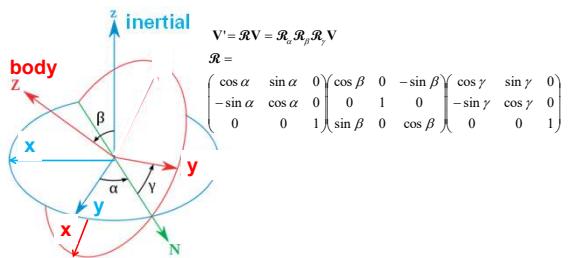
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General transformation between rotated coordinates – Euler angles



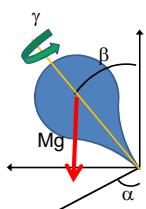
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Motion of a symmetric top under the influence of the torque of gravity:



$$L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dot{\alpha}, \dot{\beta}, \dot{\gamma}) = \frac{1}{2} I_1 (\dot{\alpha}^2 \sin^2 \beta + \dot{\beta}^2) + \frac{1}{2} I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}]^2 - Mgl \cos \beta$$

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$$L(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dot{\alpha}, \dot{\beta}, \dot{\gamma}) = \frac{1}{2} I_1 (\dot{\alpha}^2 \sin^2 \beta + \dot{\beta}^2) + \frac{1}{2} I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}]^2 - Mgl \cos \beta$$

Constants of the motion :

$$p_\alpha = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\alpha}} = I_1 \dot{\alpha} \sin^2 \beta + I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}] \cos \beta$$

$$p_\gamma = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\gamma}} = I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}]$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} + V_{\text{eff}}(\beta)$$

$$L(\beta, \dot{\beta}) = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} - Mgl \cos \beta$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\beta) = \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + Mgl \cos \beta$$

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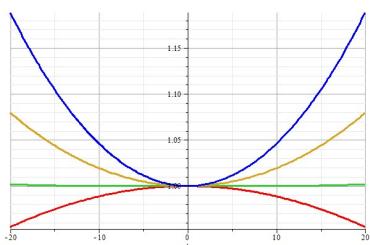
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$$E = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} + \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + Mgl \cos \beta$$

$$E' = E - \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + Mgl \cos \beta$$

Stable/unstable
solutions near
 $\beta=0$



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Suppose $p_\alpha = p_\gamma$ and $\beta \approx 0$

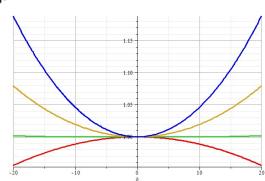
$$E' = E - \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + Mgl \cos \beta$$

$$E' \approx \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{p_\gamma^2 (1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \beta^2)^2}{2I_1 \beta^2} + Mgl (1 - \frac{1}{2} \beta^2)$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \left(\frac{p_\gamma^2}{8I_1} - \frac{Mgl}{2} \right) \beta^2 + Mgl$$

\Rightarrow Stable solution if

$$p_\gamma \geq \sqrt{4Mgl I_1}$$



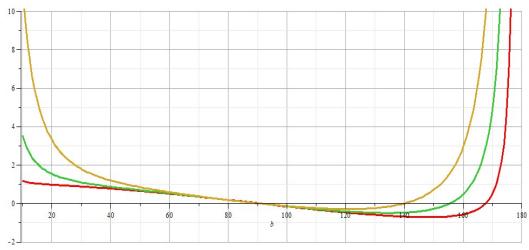
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More general case:

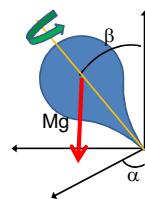
$$E' = E - \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + Mgl \cos \beta$$



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Constants of the motion :

$$p_\gamma = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\gamma}} = I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_\alpha &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\alpha}} = I_1 \dot{\alpha} \sin^2 \beta + I_3 [\dot{\alpha} \cos \beta + \dot{\gamma}] \cos \beta \\ &= I_1 \dot{\alpha} \sin^2 \beta + p_\gamma \cos \beta \end{aligned}$$

$$E' = E - \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2I_3} = \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\beta}^2 + \frac{(p_\alpha - p_\gamma \cos \beta)^2}{2I_1 \sin^2 \beta} + Mgl \cos \beta$$

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