

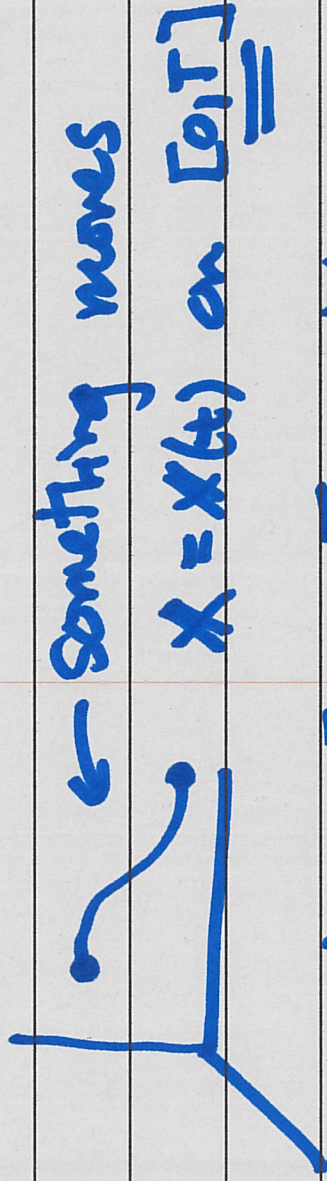
MATH 4581 Lecture 20 Nov. 2, 2021

Last time: Derivation of $W_{tt} = \sigma^2 W_{xx}$

$$(NA) = \int \rho W_{tt} = F$$

$$mV_2 - mV_1 = F \Delta t \quad (2^{\text{nd}} \text{ derivation})$$

Hamilton's Stationary Action (3rd derivation)



$$\text{Action } [X] = E - K$$

total potential energy

Point mass motions (Newtonian Mechanics)

$$\text{Action } [X] = \int_0^T \Phi(x(t)) dt - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T M \dot{x}^2 dt$$



potential function

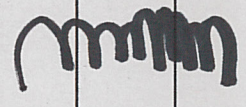
TOTAL KINETIC ENERGY.

Hanging Slinky

Force balance

$$\int_0^L [k(x-l)] dx$$

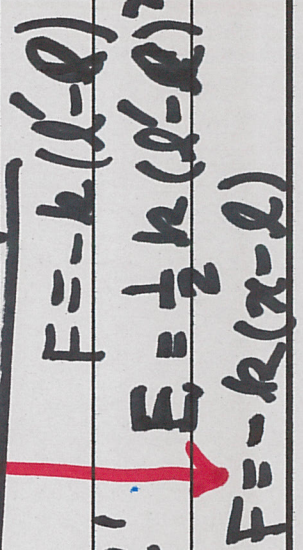
Alternative: Potential Energy.



mmmmmm l' $F = -k(l'-l)$

mmmmmm l' $E = \frac{1}{2} k (l'-l)^2$

l x $F = -k(x-l)$



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$$E_{\text{hom.}} = \frac{1}{2} k (x-l)^2 \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^l \frac{\epsilon}{2} (x-l)^2 dx$$

$$E_{\text{inhom.}} = \int_0^l \frac{\epsilon}{2} (w'-1)^2 dx \quad \frac{\epsilon x^2}{2} (w'-1)^2$$

W \rightarrow w

$$w' - 1 \quad \int_0^l (w'-1)\phi' dx = 0$$

for all ϕ .

$$\delta E_{\text{inhom.}} = 0 \quad \int_0^l w'' \phi dx = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^l (w' + \alpha \phi' - 1)^2 dx = 2 \int_0^l (w' + \alpha \phi' - 1) \phi' dx$$

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$$\underline{w'' = 0}$$

w is affine

Not the correct conclusion.

Left out gravitational potential energy.

$$w'' = -\frac{\rho g}{\epsilon}$$

agrees with force balance
but gives more solutions.

w is QUADRATIC

$$w = -\frac{\rho g}{2\epsilon} x^2 + \left(\frac{\rho g}{\epsilon} L + 1\right) x$$

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Let's try to check it!

$$W(x) = -\frac{99}{22}x^2 + \left(\frac{99}{6}L+1\right)x$$

$$\text{Mass} = 212\text{g} = 0.212\text{ kg}$$

$$\text{Length } L = 55.4\text{ mm} = 0.0554\text{ m}$$

$$\rho = \frac{0.212}{0.0554}\text{ kg/m}$$

84 coils ← coils tighter when it hangs

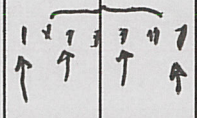
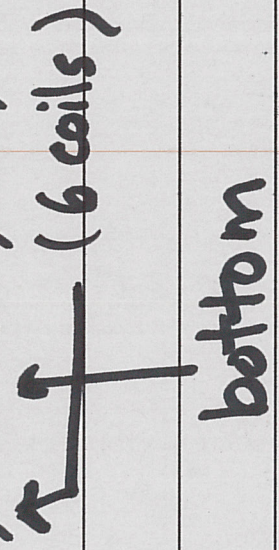
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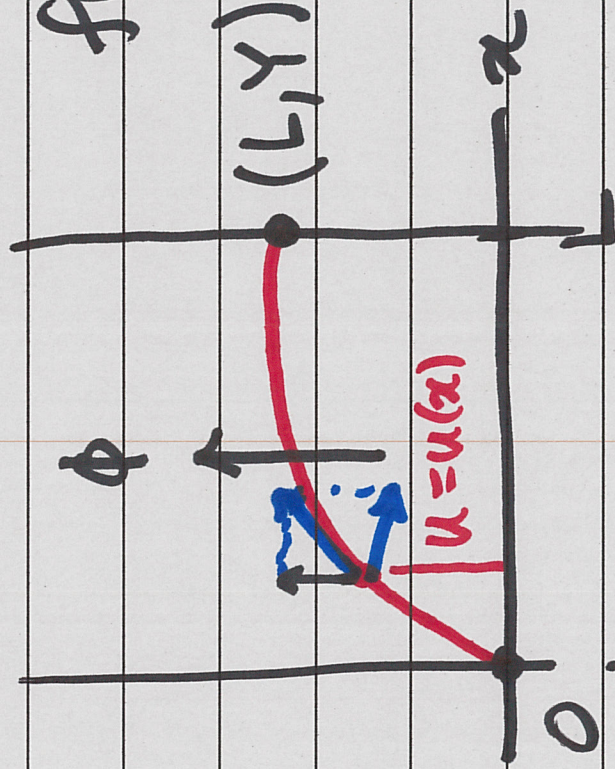
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Optimal Navigation (river crossing problem)

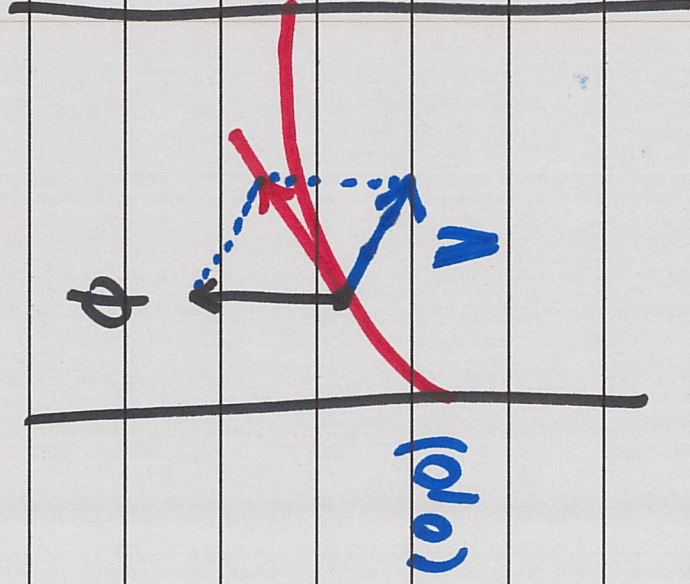


flow of river $\phi = \phi(x) > 0$
 $\phi(0) = 1$

position as a function of
time $(x(t), y(t))$
 $= (x(t), u(x(t)))$.

BOAT Max velocity $W = (v_1, v_2)$
 $|W|$ constant V

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$$(v_1, v_2 + \phi) = x'(1, u')$$

$$\gamma(t) = (x(t), y(t)) = (x(t), u(x(t)))$$

$$\gamma' = x'(1, u')$$

Crossing time: Assume $x' > 0$ so x has an inverse

$$x: [0, T] \rightarrow [0, L]$$

$$x^{-1}: [0, L] \rightarrow [0, T]$$

crossing time: $T = x^{-1}(L)$.

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$$T = x^{-1}(L) = \int_0^L \frac{d}{dx} x^{-1} x \, dx$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^{-1} \circ x = \frac{d}{dx} x^{-1} \cdot x' = 1$$
$$= v_1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} x^{-1} = \frac{1}{v_1}$$

$$T = \int_0^L \frac{1}{v_1} \, dx \quad (a).$$