

Lecture #10

Friction in Lagrange's Formulation

Generalized Forces Revisited

- Derived Lagrange's Equation from D'Alembert's equation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^p m_i (\ddot{x}_i \delta x_i + \ddot{y}_i \delta y_i + \ddot{z}_i \delta z_i) = \sum_{i=1}^p (F_{x_i} \delta x_i + F_{y_i} \delta y_i + F_{z_i} \delta z_i)$$

- Define virtual displacements $\delta x_i = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_j} \right) \delta q_j$
- Substitute in and noting the independence of the δq_j , for each DOF we get one Lagrange equation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^p m \left(\ddot{x}_i \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_r} + \ddot{y}_i \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q_r} + \ddot{z}_i \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial q_r} \right) \delta q_r = \sum_{i=1}^p \left(F_{x_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial q_r} \right) \delta q_r$$

- Applying lots of calculus on LHS and noting independence of the δq_i , for each DOF we get a Lagrange equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_r} \right) - \frac{\partial T}{\partial q_r} = \sum_{i=1}^p \left(F_{x_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial q_r} \right)$$

- Further, we “moved” the conservative forces (those derivable from a potential function to the LHS:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_r} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_r} = \sum_{i=1}^p \left(F_{x_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial q_r} \right)$$

- Define Generalized Force:

$$Q_{q_r} = \sum_{i=1}^p \left(F_{x_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial q_r} \right)$$

- Recall that the RHS was derived from the virtual work:

$$Q_{q_r} = \frac{\delta W}{\delta q_r}$$

- Note, we can also find the effect of conservative forces using virtual work techniques as well.

Example

- Mass suspended from linear spring and velocity proportional damper slides on a plane with friction.
- Find the equation of motion of the mass.

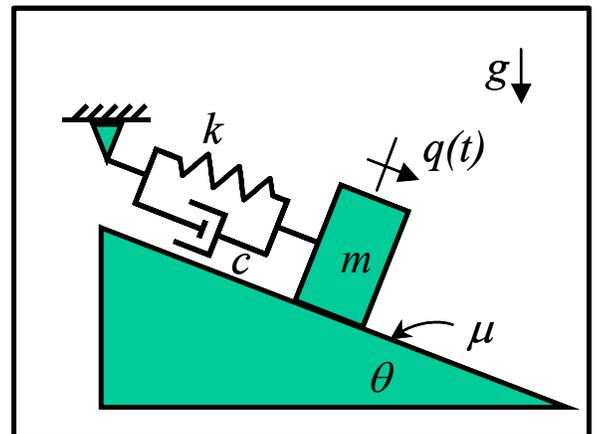
- DOF = 3 – 2 = 1.

- Constraint equations: $y = z = 0$.

- Generalized coordinate: q

- Kinetic Energy: $T = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{q}^2$

- Potential Energy: $V = \frac{1}{2} k q^2 - mgq \sin \theta$



- Lagrangian: $L = T - V = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{q}^2 - \frac{1}{2}kq^2 + mgq \sin \theta$

- Derivatives:

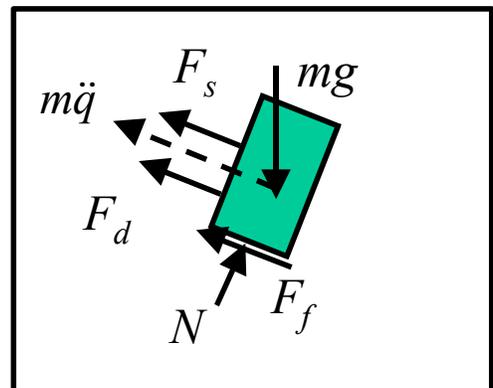
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} = m\dot{q}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) = m\ddot{q}, \quad \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = -kq + mg \sin \theta$$

- Lagrange's Equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = m\ddot{q} + kq - mg \sin \theta = Q_{q_r}$$

- To handle friction force in the generalized force term, need to know the normal force \rightarrow Lagrange approach does not indicate the value of this force.

- Look at the free body diagram.
- Since body in motion at the time of the virtual displacement, use the d'Alembert principle and include the inertia forces as well as the real external forces



- Sum forces perpendicular to the motion: $N = mg \cos \theta$

- Recall $\delta W = \mathbf{F} \cdot \delta \mathbf{s}$. Two nonconservative components, look at each component in turn:

- Damper: $\delta W = -c\dot{q}\delta q$

- Friction Force:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta W &= -\text{sgn}(q)\mu N\delta q \\ &= -\text{sgn}(q)\mu mg \cos \theta \delta q\end{aligned}$$

- Total Virtual Work:

$$\delta W = (-c\dot{q} - \text{sgn}(q)\mu mg \cos \theta)\delta q$$

- The generalized force is thus:

$$Q_{q_r} = \frac{\delta W}{\delta q_r} = (-c\dot{q} - \text{sgn}(q)\mu mg \cos \theta)$$

- And the EOM is:

$$\begin{aligned}m\ddot{q} + kq - mg \sin \theta &= -c\dot{q} - \text{sgn}(q)\mu mg \cos \theta \\ \Rightarrow m\ddot{q} + c\dot{q} + kq &= mg(\sin \theta - \text{sgn}(q)\mu \cos \theta)\end{aligned}$$

- **Note:** Could have found the generalized forces using the coordinate system mapping:

$$Q_{q_r} = \sum_{i=1}^p \left(F_{x_i} \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{y_i} \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q_r} + F_{z_i} \frac{\partial z_i}{\partial q_r} \right)$$

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- For example, the gravity force:

$$F_{y_i} = -mg, \quad y_i = -q \sin \theta, \quad \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial q} = -\sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_{q_r} = mg \sin \theta$$

Rayleigh's Dissipation Function

- For systems with conservative and non-conservative forces, we developed the general form of Lagrange's equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_r} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_r} = Q^N_{qr}$$

with $L=T-V$ and

$$Q^N_{qr} = F_x \frac{\partial x}{\partial q_r} + F_y \frac{\partial y}{\partial q_r} + F_z \frac{\partial z}{\partial q_r}$$

- For non-conservative forces that are a function of \dot{q} , there is an alternative approach. Consider generalized forces

$$Q^N_i = - \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij}(q, t) \dot{q}_j$$

where the c_{ij} are the damping coefficients, which are dissipative in nature \rightarrow result in a loss of energy

- Now define the Rayleigh dissipation function

$$F = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j$$

- Then we can show that

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}_r} = \sum_{j=1}^n c_{q_r j} \dot{q}_j = -Q^N_{q_r}$$

- So that we can rewrite Lagrange's equations in the slightly cleaner form

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_r} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_r} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}_r} = 0$$

- In the example of the block moving on the wedge,

$$F = \frac{1}{2} c \dot{q}^2$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}} = m\ddot{q} + kq - mg \sin \theta + c\dot{q} = Q'_{q_r}$$

where Q'_{q_r} now only accounts for the friction force.