

Elaboration of the exam "Dynamics & Stability" of April 16, 2010. (AES-914) ①

Question ①

$$a.) \quad \bar{V} = \bar{V}_{xyz} + \bar{\omega}_{xyz} \times \bar{r}_{REL} + \bar{V}_{REL} ;$$

$$\bar{r}_{REL} = r \bar{i} ;$$

$$\bar{V}_{REL} = \dot{r} \bar{i} ;$$

$$\bar{\omega}_{xyz} = -\cos\theta \dot{\varphi} \bar{i} + \sin\theta \dot{\varphi} \bar{j} + \dot{\theta} \bar{k} ;$$

$$\bar{V}_{xyz} = \bar{0} ;$$

$$\bar{V} = \bar{0} + \begin{vmatrix} \bar{i} & \bar{j} & \bar{k} \\ -\cos\theta \dot{\varphi} & \sin\theta \dot{\varphi} & \dot{\theta} \\ r & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} + \dot{r} \bar{i}$$

$$\rightarrow \bar{V} = \dot{r} \bar{i} + \dot{\theta} r \bar{j} + \bar{k} (-\sin\theta \dot{\varphi} r)$$

$$\rightarrow \bar{V} = \dot{r} \bar{i} + \dot{\theta} r \bar{j} - \dot{\varphi} r \sin\theta \bar{k}$$

$$b.) \quad T = \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot (\bar{v} \cdot \bar{v})$$

$$\rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2\theta \dot{\varphi}^2)$$

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$$c.) \quad L = T - V ;$$

$$V = -m g r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r^2 ;$$

(the spring is unstretched for $r=0$)

$$\rightarrow L = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) + m g r \cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} k r^2$$

d.) There are 3 degrees of freedom, $\theta(t)$, $\varphi(t)$ and $r(t)$, which correspond to 3 eqs. of motion.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m r^2 \dot{\theta} ; \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) = m r^2 \ddot{\theta} + 2 m r \dot{r} \dot{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = m r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 - m g r \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0 ;$$

$$\rightarrow m r^2 \ddot{\theta} + 2 m r \dot{r} \dot{\theta} - m r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 + m g r \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \ddot{\theta} + \frac{2 \dot{r} \dot{\theta}}{r} - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \dot{\varphi}^2 + \frac{g}{r} \sin \theta = 0$$

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$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} = m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi} ;$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} \right) = m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \ddot{\varphi} + 2 m r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\theta} \dot{\varphi} + 2 m r \dot{r} \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi} ;$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} = 0 ; \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} = 0 ;$$

$$\rightarrow m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \ddot{\varphi} + 2 m r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \dot{\theta} \dot{\varphi} + 2 m r \dot{r} \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \ddot{\varphi} + 2 \tan^{-1} \theta \dot{\theta} \dot{\varphi} + \frac{2 \dot{r} \dot{\varphi}}{r} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} = m \dot{r} ; \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \right) = m \ddot{r} ;$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = m r \dot{\theta}^2 + m r \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 + m g \cos \theta - k r ;$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow m \ddot{r} - m r (\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) - m g \cos \theta + k r = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \ddot{r} - r (\dot{\theta}^2 + \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) + \frac{k}{m} r = g \cos \theta$$

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e.) ①: φ is an ignorable coordinate,
since $L \neq L(\varphi)$.

Integral of motion:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} = m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi} = C_\varphi$$

i.e. "conservation of Angular momentum"

②: Since $L \neq L(t)$, the Jacobi energy integral h is an integral of motion

$$h = \dot{\theta} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} + \dot{\varphi} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} + \dot{r} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} - L = C_h$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow h &= m r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 + m \dot{r}^2 \\ &- \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) \\ &- m g r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r^2 = C_h \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) - m g r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r^2 = C_h$$

Since the Jacobi energy integral equals the total energy, $E = T + V$, the total energy is conserved!

f.) Routhian: Since φ is an ignorable coordinate:

$$R = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} \dot{\varphi} - L$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow R &= m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\varphi}^2) \\ &- m g r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r^2 \end{aligned}$$

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Since $\dot{u} = \frac{C u}{m r^2 \sin^2 \theta}$, this expression turns into

$$R = \frac{C u^2}{2 m r^2 \sin^2 \theta} - \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - m g r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r^2$$

g.) The effective potential V_{eff} can be obtained from the Routhian by putting the velocity terms equal to zero, $\dot{r} = 0$; $\dot{\theta} = 0$; which leads to

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{C u^2}{2 m r^2 \sin^2 \theta} - m g r \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r^2$$

h.) Steady motion corresponds to :

$$\textcircled{1}: \frac{\partial R}{\partial \theta} = 0, \text{ which equals } \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \theta} = 0.$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{-C u^2 \cdot 4 m r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{4 m^2 r^4 \sin^4 \theta} + m g r \sin \theta = 0;$$

$$\rightarrow \sin \theta \left(m g r - \frac{C u^2 \cos \theta}{m r^2 \sin^4 \theta} \right) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0^\circ \quad \text{or} \quad m g r - \frac{C u^2 \cos \theta}{m r^2 \sin^4 \theta} = 0$$

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With $L_\phi = m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}$ the second condition turns into

$$m g r - m r^2 \cos \theta \dot{\phi}^2 = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{\phi}^2 = \frac{g}{r \cos \theta} \quad ;$$

which, with the initial conditions $\dot{\phi}(0) = \dot{\phi}_0$ and $\theta(0) = \theta_0$ and $r(0) = r_0$, results into

$$\dot{\phi}_0^2 = \frac{g}{r_0 \cos \theta_0}$$

(2): $\frac{\partial R}{\partial r} = 0$, which equals $\frac{\partial V_{eff}}{\partial r} = 0$

$$\rightarrow \frac{-C_\phi^2 \cdot 4 m r \sin^2 \theta}{4 m^2 r^4 \sin^4 \theta} - m g \cos \theta + k r = 0$$

With $L_\phi = m r^2 \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}$, this expression becomes

$$-m r \sin^2 \theta \dot{\phi}^2 - m g \cos \theta + k r = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{\phi}^2 = \frac{m g \cos \theta - k r}{-m r \sin^2 \theta}$$

With the above initial conditions, this expression becomes:

$$\dot{\phi}_0^2 = \frac{m g \cos \theta_0 - k r_0}{-m r_0 \sin^2 \theta_0}$$

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Equating this expression with the other expression for steady motion yields

$$\frac{mg \cos \theta_0 - k r_0}{-m r_0 \sin^2 \theta_0} = \frac{g}{r_0 \cos \theta_0}$$

$$\rightarrow mg r_0 \cos^2 \theta_0 - k r_0^2 \cos \theta_0 = -mg r_0 \sin^2 \theta_0$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\cos \theta_0 = \frac{mg}{k r_0}}$$

Hence, to obtain steady motion, for a given value of r_0 , the above condition gives the value of θ_0 , and subsequently, the condition on page (6) gives the corresponding value of $\dot{\varphi}_0$ (Substituting the 2nd condition into the first gives $\dot{\varphi}_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$!).

Note (1): Since $-1 \leq \cos \theta_0 \leq 1$, steady motion only can occur if $\boxed{0 \leq \frac{mg}{k r_0} \leq 1}$

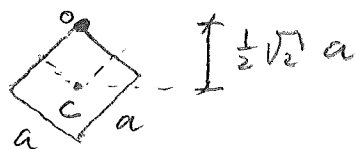
Note (2): For large values of the stiffness k , i.e. $k r_0 \gg mg$, the above condition indicates that $\theta_0 \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$ in this limit.

If θ_0 is smaller than this limit value, the motion in a strict sense will not be steady, as oscillations will take place in the r -direction.

However, these oscillations will be (very) small, due to the high stiffness value k , and therefore hardly observable. Accordingly the motion will be quasi-steady, with the coordinate r almost being constant.

Question 2

a) $\bar{I}_{z_c z_c} = \frac{1}{12} m a^2$



$$I_{zz} = I_0 = \bar{I}_{z_c z_c} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} a\right)^2 \cdot m \quad (\text{Steiner})$$

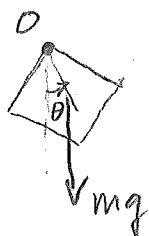
$$= \frac{1}{12} m a^2 + \frac{1}{2} m a^2$$

$$= \frac{7}{12} m a^2$$

$$\bar{L}_0 = I_0 \cdot \omega \bar{k}$$

$$\bar{L}_0 = \frac{7}{12} m a^2 \cdot \dot{\theta} \cdot \bar{k}$$

b.) $\overset{+}{\curvearrowright} \sum M_z = -m g \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} a \sin \theta$



$$\Rightarrow \dot{L}_0 = \sum M_z$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{7}{12} m a^2 \ddot{\theta} = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} m g a \sin \theta$$

$$H \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} a \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{7}{12} m a^2 \ddot{\theta} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} m g a \sin \theta = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\ddot{\theta} + \frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} \sin \theta = 0}$$

c.) Now, introducing $\dot{\theta} = \psi$, the above differential equation can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi \\ -\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearizing the above relations about $\theta = 0$, such that it is valid only for small angles $0 \leq |\theta| \ll \frac{\pi}{2}$, (where $\sin \theta \approx \theta$) gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi \\ -\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} \theta \end{bmatrix}$$

OR, in matrix-vector form :

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta \\ \psi \end{bmatrix}$$

which formally can be written as

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = \bar{A} \bar{x}$$

Substituting a solution of the form $\bar{x}(t) = \hat{x} e^{\lambda t}$ (where $\dot{\bar{x}} = \lambda \hat{x} e^{\lambda t}$)

leads to

$$\lambda \hat{x} e^{\lambda t} = \bar{A} \hat{x} e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\text{or } (\bar{A} - \lambda \bar{I}) \hat{x} e^{\lambda t} = 0.$$

The non-trivial solution to this problem is

$$|\bar{A} - \lambda \bar{I}| = 0,$$

or, more specifically:

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda^2 + \frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} &= \pm \sqrt{-\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a}} \\ &= \pm i \sqrt{\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a}} = \pm i \omega_n^* \end{aligned}$$

The eigen frequency now is obtained as

$$\omega_n = \text{Im} \{ \lambda_1 \} = \sqrt{\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a}}$$

*: Remember that (purely) imaginary eigen values are representative of harmonic motion at a specific eigen frequency ω_n .

An alternative approach is to linearize the second-order differential equation directly about $\theta = 0$:

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} \theta = 0$$

Then, the general solution is substituted

$$\theta(t) = \hat{\theta} e^{\lambda t}, \text{ which leads to}$$

$$\left(\lambda^2 + \frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} \right) \hat{\theta} e^{\lambda t} = 0$$

Again, the non-trivial solution is obtained

by
$$\lambda^2 + \frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a} = 0$$

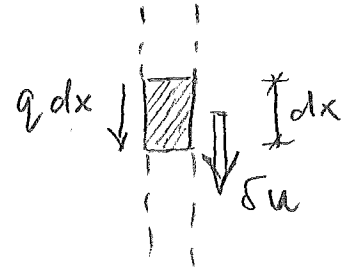
$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \lambda_{1,2} &= \pm i \sqrt{\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a}} \\ &= \pm i \omega_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{6}{7} \sqrt{2} \frac{g}{a}}}$$

which is the same answer as for the other elaboration method.

Question 3

a.) $d(\delta W) = q dx \delta u$



$$d(\delta V_q) = -d(\delta W)$$
$$= -q dx \delta u$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{dV_q = -q u dx}$$

$$dV = dV_e + dV_q$$

With $dV_e = \frac{1}{2} EA u_x^2 dx$, this expression becomes:

$$dV = \left(\frac{1}{2} EA u_x^2 - q u \right) dx$$

The generalised potential energy density thus is

$$V = \frac{1}{2} EA u_x^2 - q u$$

Since the kinetic energy density is given by

$$K = \frac{1}{2} P A u_t^2$$

the generalised Lagrangian density becomes

$$\boxed{L = K - V}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} P A u_t^2 - \frac{1}{2} EA u_x^2 + q u$$

b.) The action integral can be formulated as

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$$I = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_0^l \mathcal{L} dx dt ;$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_0^l \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho A u_t^2 - \frac{1}{2} EA u_x^2 + qu \right) dx dt ;$$

Hamilton's principle states that

$$\delta I = 0 ;$$

where the action I obtains an extremum (minimum). Accordingly, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta I &= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_0^l (\rho A u_t \delta u - EA u_x \delta u_x + q \delta u) dx dt \\ &= 0 ; \end{aligned}$$

Using integration by parts, this expression turns into:

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^l \left[\rho A u_t \delta u \Big|_{t_0}^{t_1} - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \rho A u_{tt} \delta u dt \right] dx \\ &- \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \left[EA u_x \delta u \Big|_0^l - \int_0^l EA u_{xx} \delta u dx \right] dt \\ &+ \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_0^l q \delta u dx dt = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_0^l \left(-\rho A u_{tt} + EA u_{xx} + q \right) \delta u \, dx \, dt \quad (1)$$

$$- \int_0^l \rho A u_t \delta u \Big|_{t_0}^{t_1} dx \quad - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} EA u_x \delta u \Big|_0^l dt = 0$$

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(1) = 0 : for any variation δu

gives :

$$-\rho A u_{tt} + EA u_{xx} + q = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\rho A u_{tt} = EA u_{xx} + q} = \text{Equation of motion}$$

$$(2) = 0 : \delta u(t_0) = \delta u(t_1) = 0$$

Since the initial and final states of the system, $u(t_0)$ and $u(t_1)$, are assumed to be known (specified).

$$(3) = 0 : \boxed{\delta u \Big|_{x=0} = 0} \text{ since the}$$

displacement at the top of the bar is specified : $u(x=0) = 0$. (= essential B.C.)

Further, $\boxed{EA u_x \Big|_{x=l} = 0}$, which essentially means that the normal force at $x=l$ equals zero (= natural B.C.).

Question (4)

$$a.) \quad \delta W = -F \delta x$$

$$\text{Since } x = 2l \cos \theta$$

$$\delta x = -2l \sin \theta \delta \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \delta W &= 2Fl \sin \theta \delta \theta \\ &= Q_\theta \delta \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } \boxed{Q_\theta = 2Fl \sin \theta}$$

is the generalized force related to coordinate θ .

The physical meaning of this generalized force is that it represents a bending moment.

$$b.) \quad \delta W = -\delta V_Q$$

$$\rightarrow \delta V_Q = -2Fl \sin \theta \delta \theta$$

$$V_Q = 2Fl \cos \theta$$

The internal elastic energy of the spring is

$$V_e = \frac{1}{2} k r \theta^2$$

The generalized potential then becomes

$$\boxed{V = V_Q + V_e = 2Fl \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} k r \theta^2}$$

c.)

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = -2Fl \sin \theta + k_r \theta$$

Equilibrium: $\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow -2Fl \sin \theta + k_r \theta = 0$$

$\theta = 0^\circ$ is indeed an equilibrium state.

$$\left. \frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} \right|_{\theta=0} = -2Fl \cos \theta + k_r \Big|_{\theta=0}$$

$$= -2Fl + k_r$$

For stable equilibrium, $\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} > 0$,
which means that

$$k_r - 2Fl > 0$$

$$\boxed{-\infty < F < \frac{k_r}{2l}}$$