

Numerical Integration

$$F(x, v, t) = ma$$

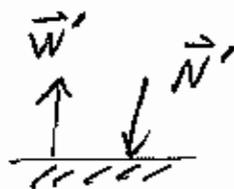
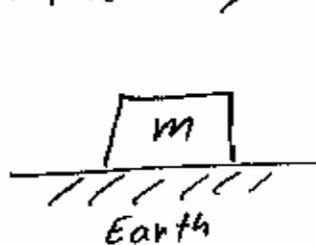
For simplicity of presentation; one dimension, constant mass, boundary conditions at the same time v_0, x_0 .

$$\text{given } \left. \begin{array}{l} t_0 \\ x_0 \\ v_0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow F_0 = F(x_0, v_0, t_0) \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{F_0}{m}$$

$$\text{then } \left. \begin{array}{l} t_1 = t_0 + \Delta t \\ x_1 = x_0 + v_0 \Delta t \\ v_1 = v_0 + a_0 \Delta t \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow F_1 = F(x_1, v_1, t_1) \Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{F_1}{m}$$

and continue until the desired final time is reached.

Free-body Diagrams



Action-Reaction Pairs $\{\vec{W}, \vec{W}'\}$, $\{\vec{N}, \vec{N}'\}$

satisfy ① Equal Magnitude

② Opposite Direction

③ same cause (both gravitational, or both contact)

④ Never act on the same object

⑤ Switch "acts on" and "caused by"

\vec{W} acts on m caused by Earth, \vec{W}' acts on Earth caused by m.

Conservation of Linear Momentum

Consider a system of just two particles

$$\vec{F}_{\text{total on 1}} = \vec{F}_{12} + \vec{F}_{1, \text{ext}} = \frac{d\vec{p}_1}{dt}$$

\uparrow
on 1
due to 2

$$\vec{F}_{\text{total on 2}} = \vec{F}_{21} + \vec{F}_{2, \text{ext}} = \frac{d\vec{p}_2}{dt}$$

\uparrow
on 2
due to 1

$$\vec{F}_{\text{total on system}} = 0 + \vec{F}_{\text{system external}} = \frac{d}{dt}(\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)$$

\uparrow

Action-Reaction partners cancel in pairs
if Newton's Third Law holds true

(forces must be central, not \vec{v} -dependent)

Generalize to N particles

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\sum_{a=1}^N \vec{p}_a \right) = \vec{F}_{\text{system external}} \quad \text{Internal forces cancel in pairs}$$

If the net external force on a system of particles vanishes, then the linear momentum of the system is conserved (does not change in time).

$$\sum \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = 0 = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\sum_{a=1}^N \vec{p}_a \right) \Rightarrow \sum_{a=1}^N \vec{p}_a = \text{constant}$$

One can always add an arbitrary constant to $U(\vec{r})$.
Only changes ΔU are physically measurable.

$$\Delta U = U_f - U_i \equiv -W_{\text{cons}} = - \int_{\vec{r}_i}^{\vec{r}_f} \vec{F}_{\text{cons}} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{cons}} = - \vec{\nabla} U(\vec{r})$$

Consider a scalar function $\Phi(x, y, z)$

$$d\Phi = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} dz$$
$$= (\vec{\nabla} \Phi) \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\int_{\vec{r}_i}^{\vec{r}_f} \vec{\nabla} \Phi \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{\vec{r}_i}^{\vec{r}_f} d\Phi = \Phi(\vec{r}_f) - \Phi(\vec{r}_i) = \Delta \Phi$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = \Delta T$$

$$= W_{\text{cons}} + W_{\text{n.c}} = \Delta T$$

$$= -\Delta U + W_{\text{n.c}} = \Delta T \quad \Rightarrow \quad W_{\text{n.c.}} = \Delta U + \Delta T$$

Define total mechanical energy $E = U + T$

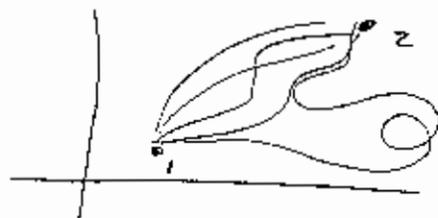
$$\Delta U + \Delta T = (U_f - U_i) + (T_f - T_i) = (U_f + T_f) - (U_i + T_i)$$
$$= E_f - E_i = \Delta E = W_{\text{n.c.}}$$

If only conservative forces act on a system, then the total energy $E = T + U$ is conserved.

These 3 conservation laws \vec{p} , \vec{L} , E survive post Newtonian Mechanics symmetries: translation, orientation, time

How can one tell if a force field is conservative?

Plan A Integrate over all possible paths between 1 and 2 and get the same answer.



Plan B $\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = -\vec{\nabla} U(\vec{r})$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}_{\text{cons}} = -\vec{\nabla} \times [\vec{\nabla} U] \equiv 0 \quad \text{for all } U(\vec{r})$$

eg gravity: $\vec{F} = -mg \hat{j}$ (constant)

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0 \implies \text{force is conservative}$$

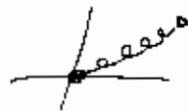
\implies there is a potential energy function $U(\vec{r})$

$$U(\vec{r}) = mgy + c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} &= -\vec{\nabla} U = -mg \hat{j} \quad \checkmark \\ &= -\left(\hat{e}_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{e}_y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{e}_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)(mgy + c) \end{aligned}$$

Real gravity (5) also,
 $\vec{F} = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} \hat{e}_r$

eg, Hooke's Law spring force: $\vec{F} = -k \vec{r}$



$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0 \quad \text{conservative}$$

$$U(\vec{r}) = \frac{k r^2}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{F} &= -\vec{\nabla} U = -\left[\hat{e}_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \hat{e}_\theta \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} + \hat{e}_\phi \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}\right] \frac{k r^2}{2} \\ &= -k \vec{r} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

If total mechanical energy E is conserved, then in 1-dimension:

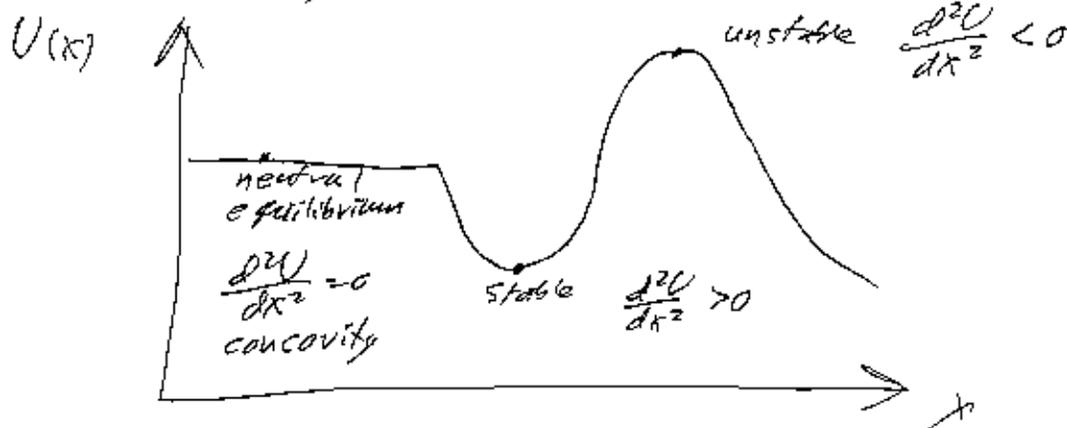
$$E = T + U = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + U(x)$$

$$v(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m} [E - U(x)]} = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$dt = \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} [E - U(x)]}}$$

$$\int_{t'=t_0}^t dt' = \int_{x'=x_0}^{x(t)} \frac{dx'}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{m} [E - U(x')]} \quad \text{solve for } x(t)$$

~~Stability~~ Equilibrium — if $\vec{F} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dU}{dx} = 0$ in 1-dim



neutral \rightarrow small push, particle experiences no force

stable

unstable

\downarrow
restoring force (toward equilibrium)
 \downarrow
force away from equilibrium

