


# CSC2549 Physics-Based Animation



Lord of the Rings | Weta Digital

# Today: Introduction and Springs



# **CSC2549 Physics-Based Animation**

Course web site (includes course information sheet):

<https://github.com/dilevin/CSC2549-physics-based-animation>

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Discussion Board is COMING SOON

Assignments will be submitted via MarkUs, also COMING SOON 😊

Week	Topic / Event
1	Introduction, the 1D mass-spring system, <a href="#">Assignment 1 (1D mass-springs)</a> due 27/09
2	Explicit and implicit time integration
3	Mass-spring systems in three dimensions, Assignment 2 (3D mass-springs) due 04/10
4	Finite Elements for simulating nonlinear elastodynamics of solids, Assignment 3 (3D FEM) due 11/10
5	Finite Elements for simulating cloth and shells, Assignment 4 (Cloth simulation) due 18/10
6	Fluid simulation using Finite Volume Methods
7	Rigid body mechanics, Assignment 5 (Rigid body simulation) due 01/11
<b>October 28</b>	Drop date (consider if grade so far is <50%)
8	Jointed Rigid Body Systems
9	Collision detection and contact resolution, Assignment 6 (Rigid body collision resolution) due 08/11
10	Fast algorithms for physics-based animation
11	Special Lecture
12	Final Project Presentations

# **Academic Honesty Policy**

It's on the webpage and is mandatory reading!

# Administrivia

## Grading:

%	Item
60%	Assignments
30%	Final Project
10%	Class Participation

# Today

1. Introduction to Physics-Based Animation
2. Variational Mechanics
3. Mass-Spring System in 1D
4. Preview Assignment 1



# **“Core” Areas of Computer Graphics**

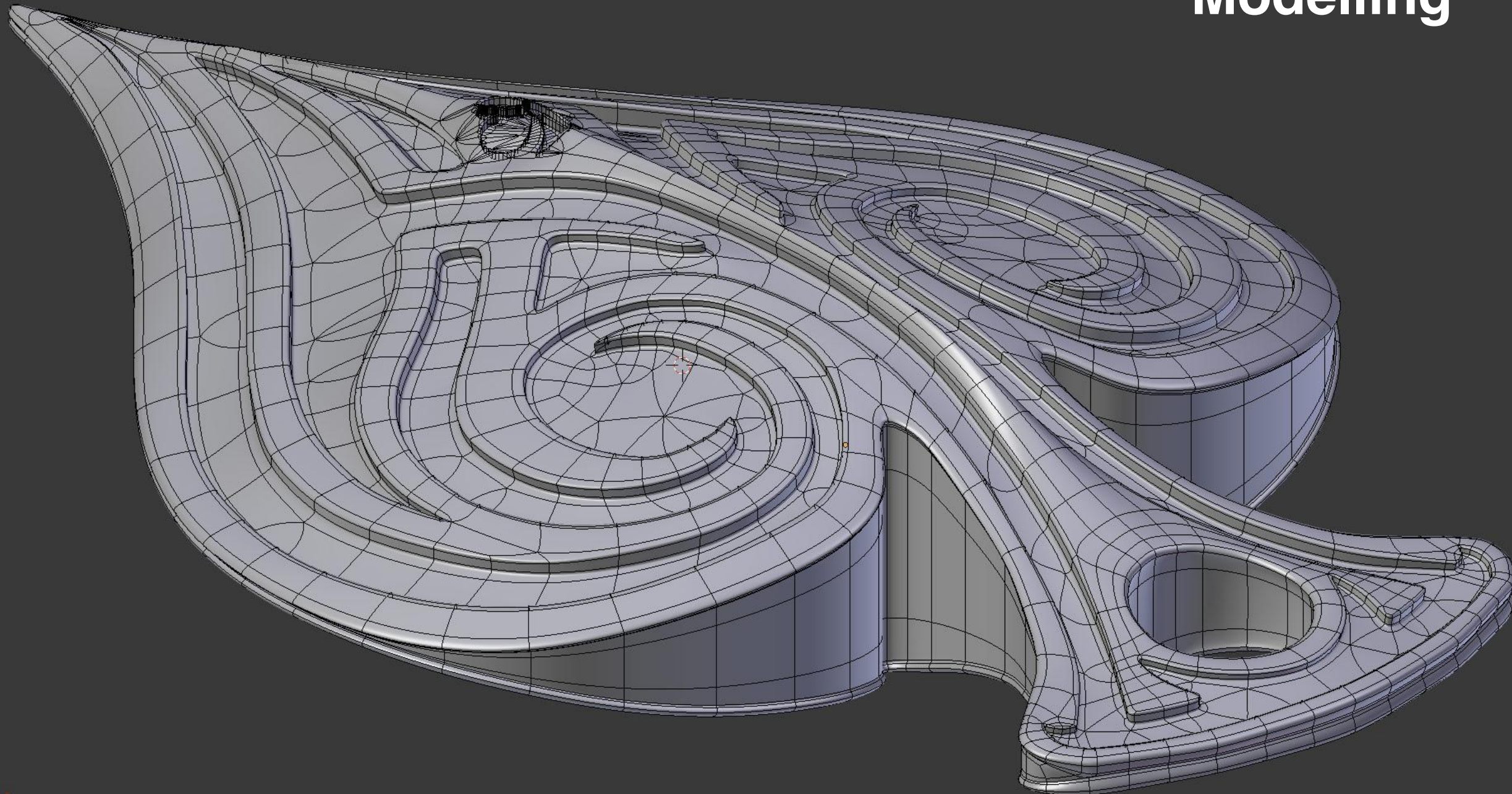
Modeling

Rendering

Animation

# Modelling

User Ortho (Local)



(1) Curve



Rendering



# Animation





*skeleton*

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The background features a dark, abstract composition. In the center, two cubes with multi-colored faces (including shades of green, blue, purple, and yellow) are positioned. To their right, a complex, multi-layered structure resembling a stylized flower or a series of overlapping planes is visible. The overall aesthetic is technical and geometric, typical of computer graphics presentations.

# SMASH: Physics-guided Reconstruction of Collisions from Videos

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# Reasons you might be taking this course

1. Just curious
2. You might want to use physics simulation in your research
3. You want to do research in physics simulation

# Newton's Laws

1. Every object will remain at rest or in uniform motion in a straight line unless compelled to change its state by the action of an external force
2. The force acting on an object is equal to the time rate-of-change of the momentum
3. For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction

# Newton's Laws

$$\text{Momentum} = m \vec{v}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(m \vec{v}) = m \dot{\vec{v}} = \underline{\underline{m \vec{a} = \vec{F}}}$$

Vectorial Mechanics

# Variational Mechanics

Also called "Analytical Mechanics"

Based on two fundamental energies rather than two vectorial quantities

# Kinetic and Potential Energy

Kinetic Energy: Energy due to motion

Potential Energy: Energy “held within” an object due to its position, internal stresses, electrical charge etc ...

Potential energy has the potential to become kinetic energy

# Variational Mechanics

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Motion chosen via finding a stationary point of a variational principle

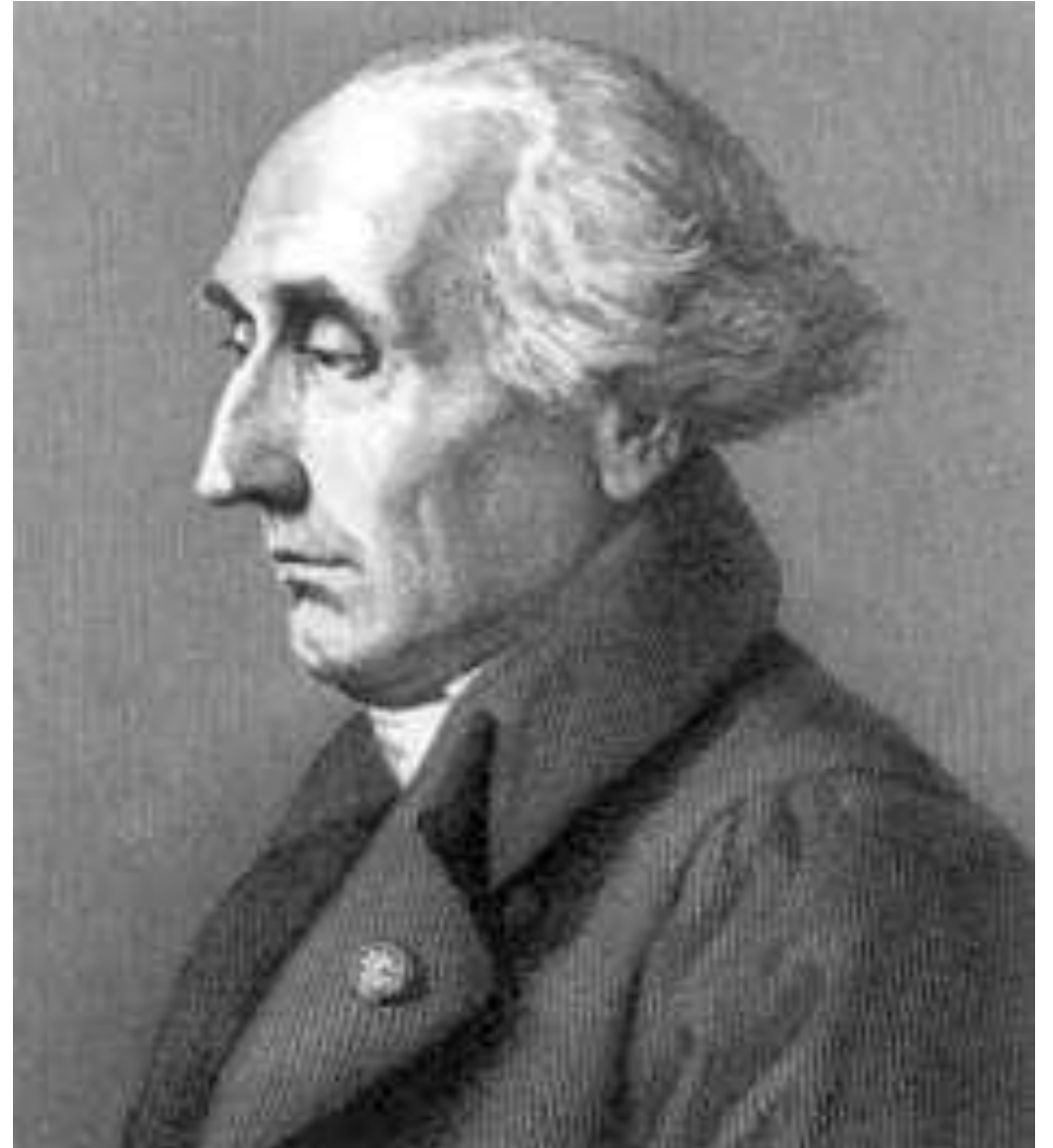
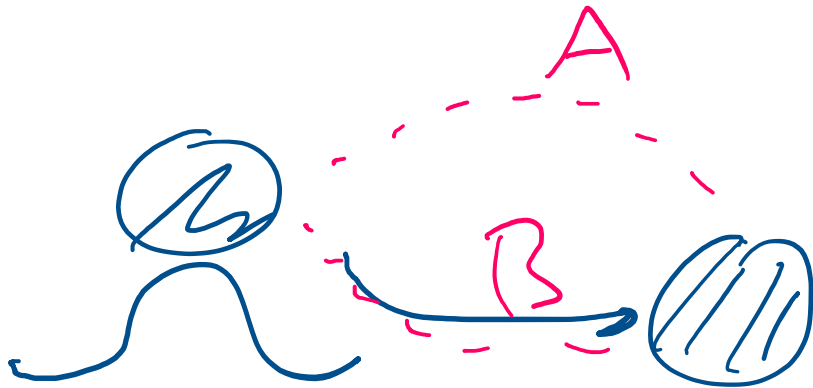
$$E(f(t)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

# The Lagrangian

$$L = T - V$$

kinetic

potential




# Generalized Coordinates

generalized  
coordinates

$f(q) \rightarrow x(t)$

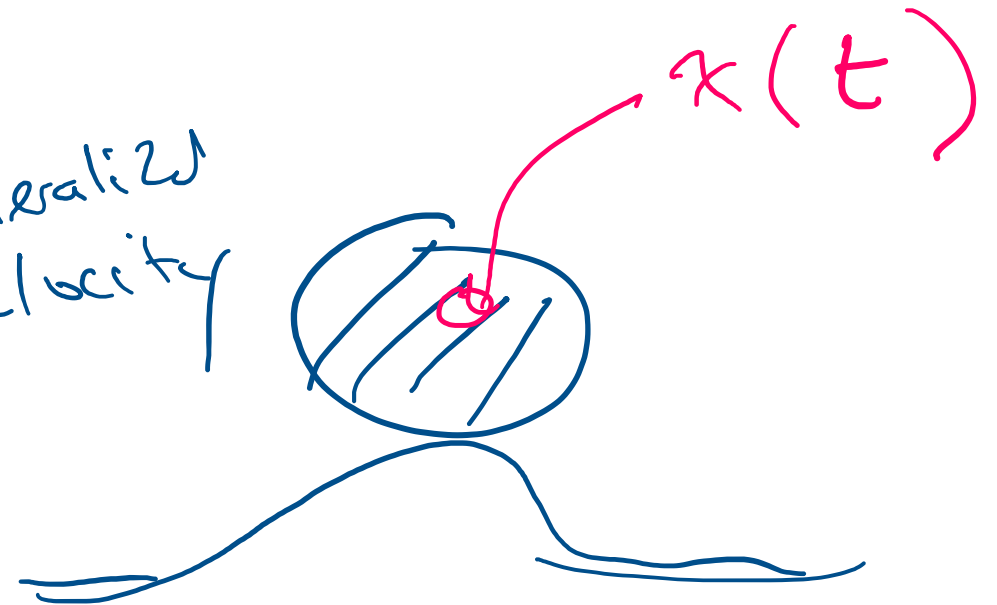
R-rotation  
P-position



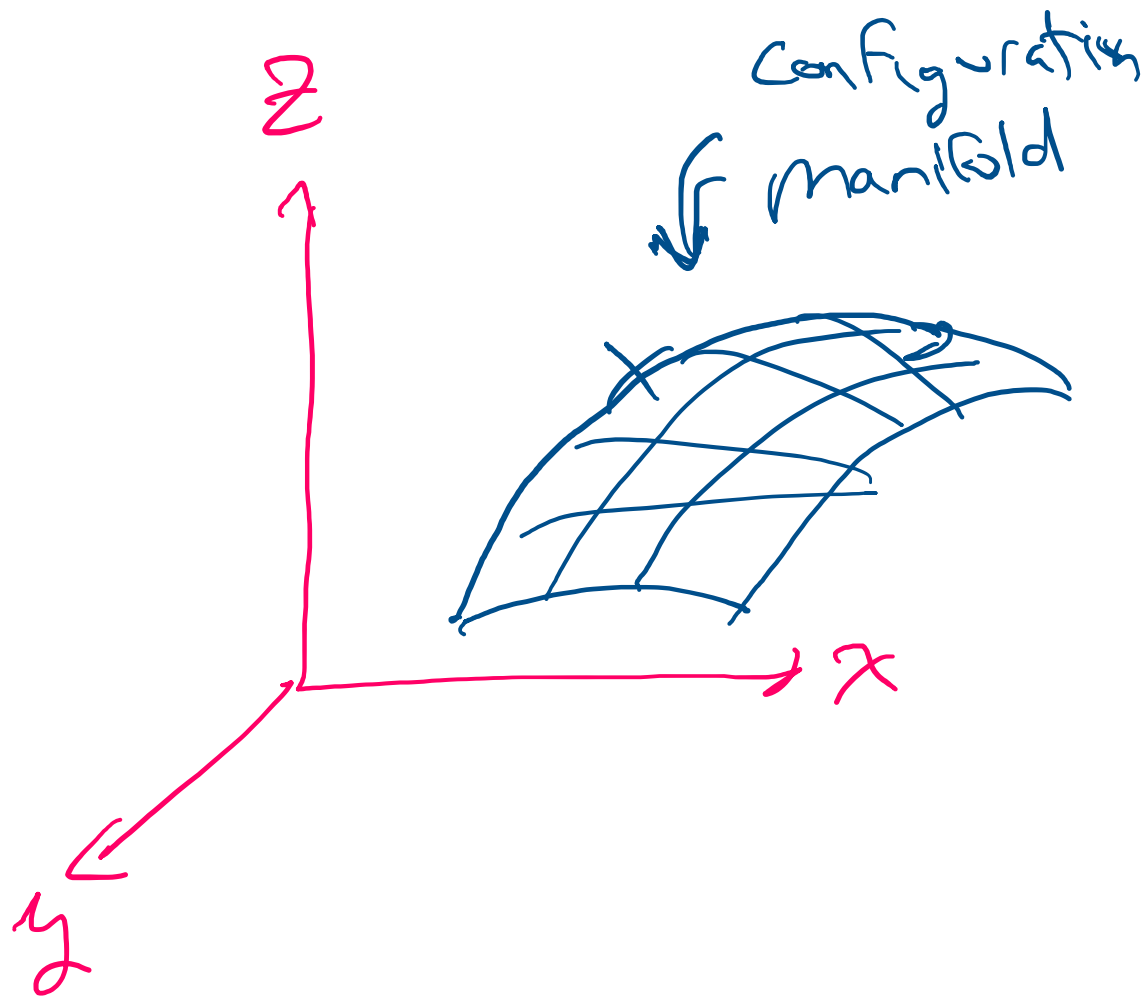
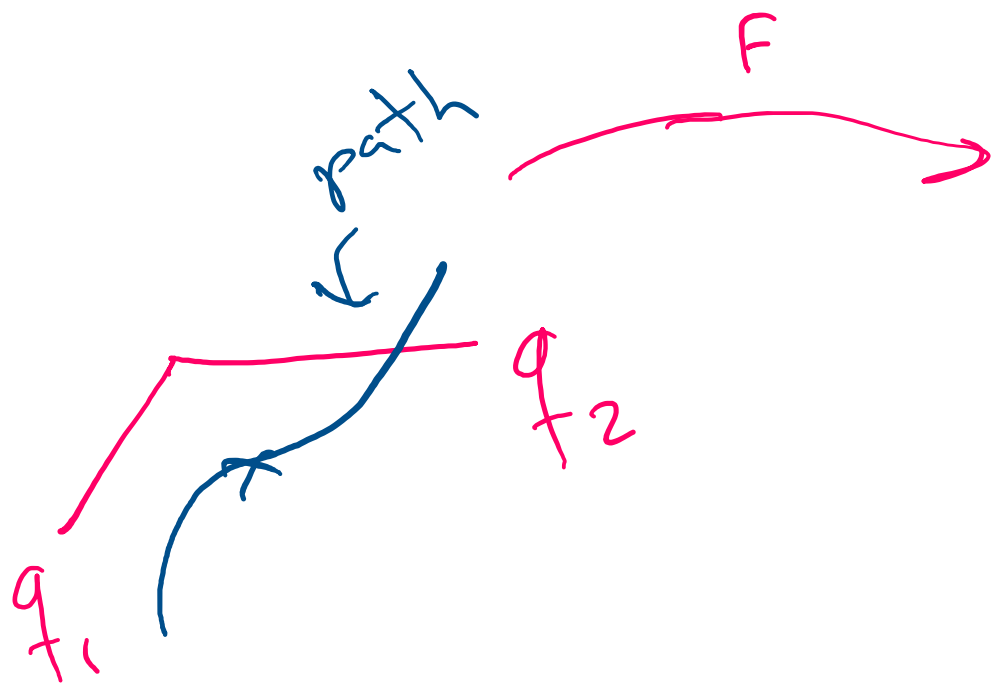
generalized  
velocity

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d}{dt} x(t) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{q}}$$

Jacobian  
(J)







# The Principle of Least Action

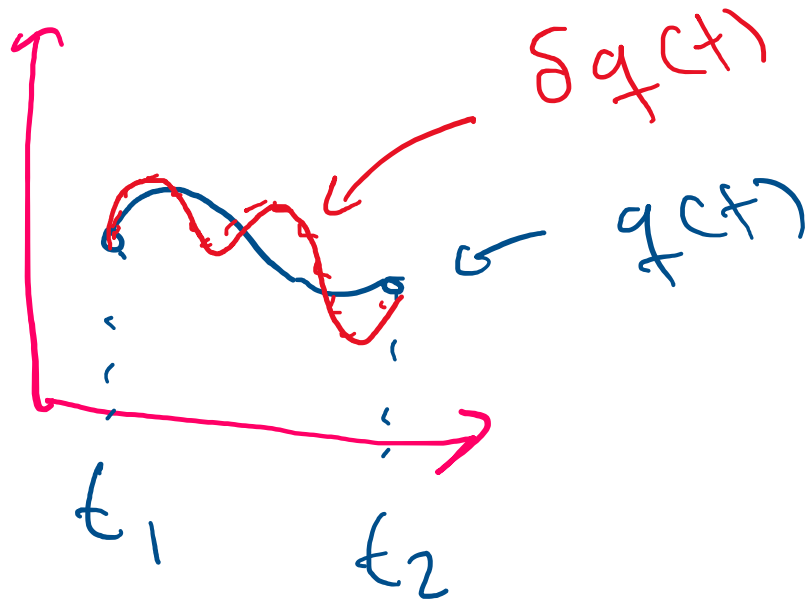
$$S = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} T(q, \dot{q}) - V(q, \dot{q}) dt$$

$\int$   
Action

Given  $q(t_0)$ ,  $q(t_1) \Rightarrow$

First variation ( $\delta S = 0$ )

# Calculus of Variations



# Finding a Stationary Point

$$\delta S = 0$$

$$S(q + \delta q, \dot{q} + \delta \dot{q}) = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} L(q + \delta q, \dot{q} + \delta \dot{q}) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_{t_0}^{t_1} L(q, \dot{q}) dt + \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \delta q + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta \dot{q}}_{\delta S} dt \\ &= S + \delta S \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta S = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \frac{2L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta q + \frac{2L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta \dot{q} dt = 0$$

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$$\int \left( \frac{2L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta q \right) - \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{2L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) \delta q = \frac{2L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta \dot{q} dt$$

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$$\frac{2L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta q \Big|_{t_0}^{t_1}$$

$$\delta q(t_0), \delta q(t_1) = 0$$

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_1} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \delta q - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \delta q \right) = 0$$

Good-bye

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q}$$

Euler-Lagrange Equation

# Euler-Lagrange Equations

# Why do we care ?

Unifying principle!

Can derive equations of motion for *more* than just particles

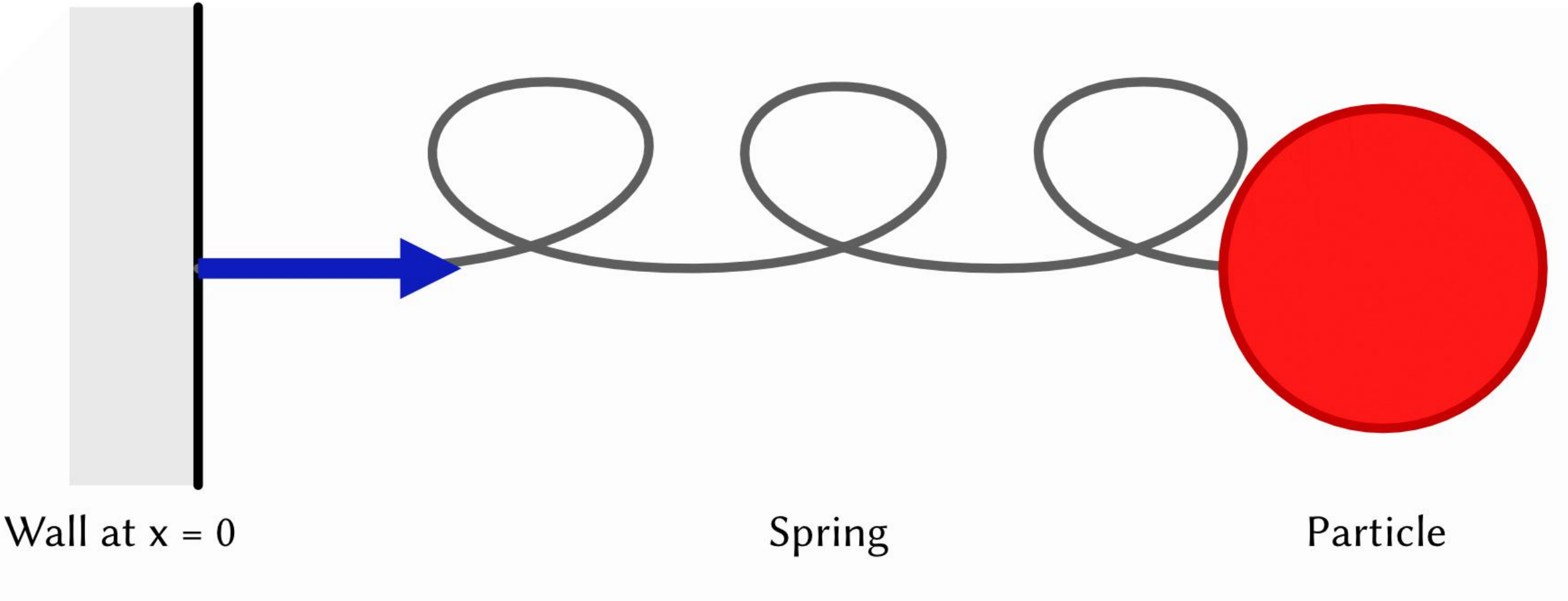
Deformable Objects

Fluids

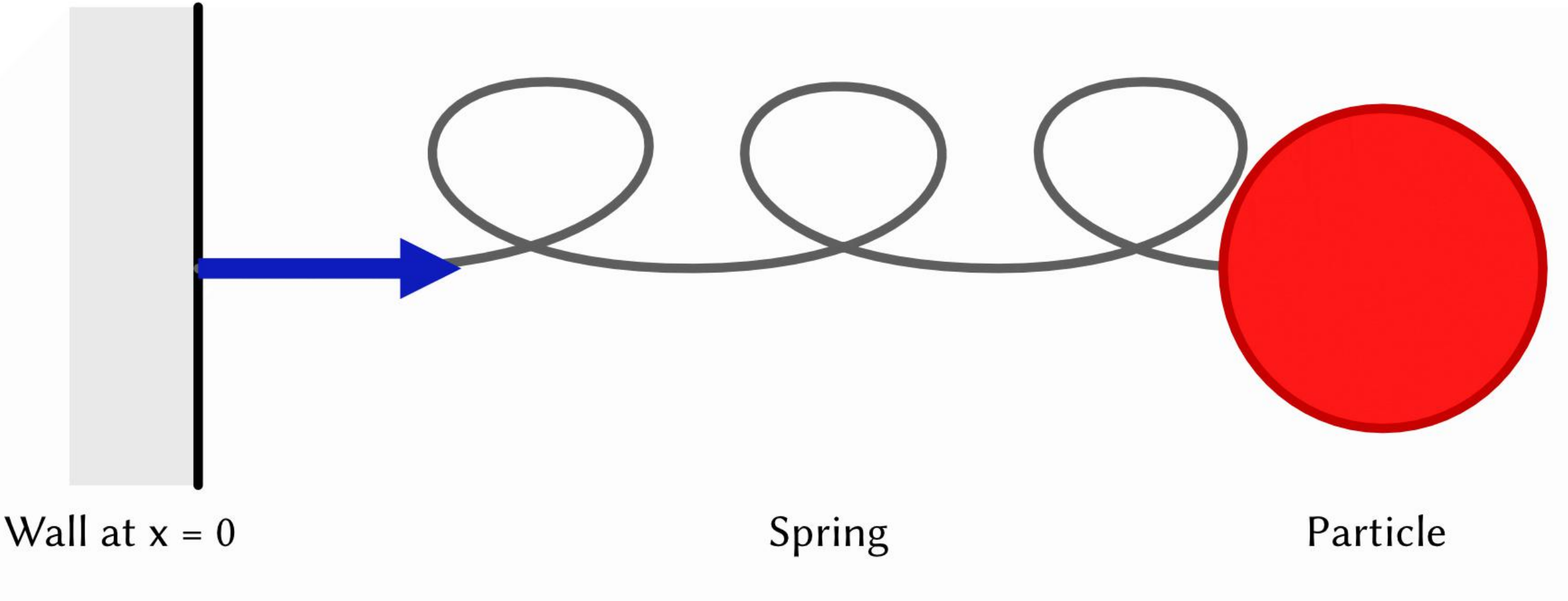
Rigid Bodies and More !



# Mass-Spring Systems in 1D



# Choosing Generalized Coordinates



# Generalized Coordinates for Mass Spring System

$$q = x$$

$$\dot{q} = \dot{x} = v$$

# Kinetic Energy for Mass-Spring System

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \quad \text{Yay!!}$$

# Potential Energy for Mass-Spring System

Potential Energy is the negative Work done on the system

Work is defined as the product of force and displacement

# Potential Energy from a Spring

$$U = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

Hooke's Law

$$F = -kx$$

$$W = - \int_{t_0}^{t_1} kx v dt \Rightarrow U = -W = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

# Stuff Everything into the Euler Lagrange Equations

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q}$$

$$L = T - V$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$$

$$q = x, \dot{q} = \dot{x} = v$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (m v) = - \underbrace{k x}_{\text{force}}$$

$ma = -kx$

$$\text{generalized force} = - \frac{\partial V}{\partial q}$$

# Final Equations of Motion

$$ma = -kx$$

$$m\ddot{x} = -kx \quad \swarrow \quad \text{2nd order - ODE}$$



# Next Week: Time Integration

# **Demo Assignment 1**

# Finishing Up

Office hours are now!

# Variational Stokes:

## A Unified Pressure-Viscosity Solver for Accurate Viscous Liquids

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