

$$V = \frac{1}{2} k x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} k x_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} (2k) (x_2 - x_1)^2$$

$$x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1x_2 = \sum_{i,j} \delta_{ij} x_i x_j - (1 - \delta_{ij}) x_i x_j$$

$$= 2\delta_{ij} x_i x_j - x_i x_j$$

$$= x_i (2\delta_{ij} - 1) x_j$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}^T \tilde{V} \vec{x}$$

$$\tilde{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} k$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}_1^2 + \dot{x}_2^2) = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\vec{x}}^T \tilde{T} \dot{\vec{x}}$$

$$\tilde{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} m$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\vec{x}}^T \tilde{T} \dot{\vec{x}} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}^T \tilde{V} \vec{x}$$

Normal modes: $\det(\tilde{V} - \omega^2 \tilde{T}) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 5k - \omega^2 m & -2k \\ -2k & 5k - \omega^2 m \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$(5k - \omega^2 m)^2 - 4k^2 = 0$$

$$\omega^2 = (\pm \sqrt{4k^2} + 5k) \frac{1}{m}$$

Normal frequencies $\rightarrow \omega_{\pm} = (\sqrt{5k \pm 2k}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5k - (5k \pm 2k) & -2k \\ -2k & 5k - (5k \pm 2k) \end{pmatrix} \vec{p}_{\pm} = 0$$

$$[5k - (5 \pm 2)k] p_1 - 2k p_2 = 0$$

$$-2k p_1 + [5k - (5 \pm 2)k] p_2 = 0$$

$$p_2 = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{(5 \pm 2)}{2} p_1$$

Normal vectors $\rightarrow \vec{p}_{\pm} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \mp 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\vec{p}_{+} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \leftarrow & \rightarrow \\ m\vec{0} & m\vec{0} \end{matrix} \quad (\text{motion in opposite directions})$$

$$\vec{p}_{-} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} \leftarrow & \leftarrow \\ m\vec{0} & m\vec{0} \end{matrix} \quad (\text{motion in same direction})$$