

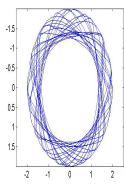
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The Double Pendulum

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MATH

Assuming there exists an admissible function $y(x)$ that minimizes the integral

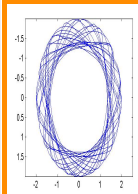
$$I = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x, y, y') dx. \quad (1)$$

Let $\eta(x)$ be any function with the properties that $\eta''(x)$ is continuous and

$$\eta(x_1) = \eta(x_2) = 0. \quad (2)$$

If α is a small parameter, then

$$\bar{y}(x) = y(x) + \alpha \eta(x). \quad (3)$$



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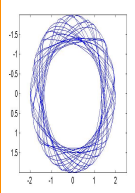
And if the well-defined real number I is in terms of α , then

$$\begin{aligned} I(\alpha) &= \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x, \bar{y}, \bar{y}') dx \\ &= \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f[x, y(x) + \alpha\eta(x), y'(x) + \alpha\eta'(x)] dx. \end{aligned}$$

If we differentiate function I with respect to α , we have

$$I'(\alpha) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} f(x, \bar{y}, \bar{y}') dx. \quad (4)$$

¹We are trying to find the minimum point.



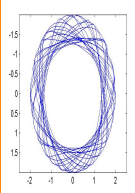
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After series of calculation, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'}\right) - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0, \quad (5)$$

which is Euler Lagrangian Equation.



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PHYSICS

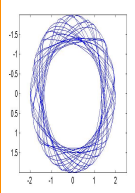
After some sophisticated argument in physics, we obtain the Lagrange's equations,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_k} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_k} = 0 \quad (6)$$

where L is the Lagrange's equations describing the motion of a particle in a conservative force field. And

$$L = T - V. \quad (7)$$

T is the kinetic energy, V is the potential energy, q_k is the displacement in any direction.

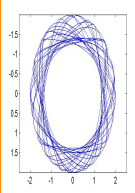


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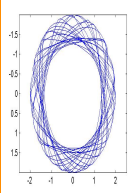
The Combination of Physics and Math

This is a figure of double pendulum.



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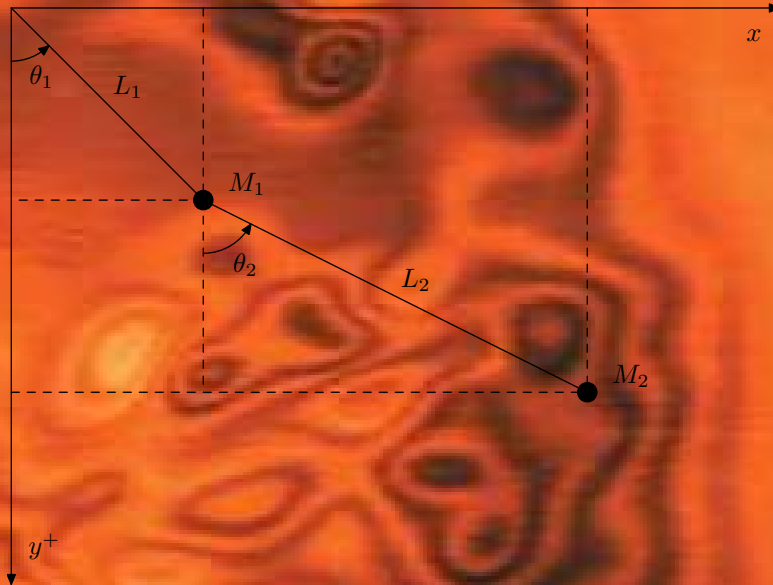


Figure 1:



If we model the double pendulum, we obtain

$$x_1 = l_1 \sin \theta_1 \quad (8)$$

$$x_2 = l_1 \sin \theta_1 + l_2 \sin \theta_2 \quad (9)$$

$$y_1 = l_1 \cos \theta_1 \quad (10)$$

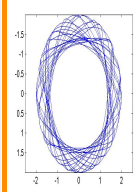
$$y_2 = l_1 \cos \theta_1 + l_2 \cos \theta_2 \quad (11)$$

By using the Lagrange's equations, we have

$$\ddot{\theta}_1 = \frac{g(\sin \theta_2 \cos(\Delta\theta) - \sin \theta_1) - (l_2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 + l_1 \dot{\theta}_1^2 \cos(\Delta\theta)) \sin(\Delta\theta)}{l_1(u - \cos^2(\Delta\theta))}$$

$$\ddot{\theta}_2 = \frac{gu(\sin \theta_1 \cos(\Delta\theta) - \sin \theta_2) + (ul_1 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 \cos(\Delta\theta)) \sin(\Delta\theta)}{l_2(u - \cos^2(\Delta\theta))},$$

where $\Delta\theta = \theta_1 - \theta_2$ and $u = 1 + (m_1/m_2)$.

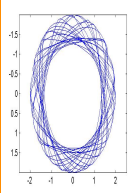


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Motion of double pendulum

1. Periodic
2. Quasiperiodic
3. Chaotic



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Periodic

Use this input, we will find the periodic motion:

$$M1 = 3$$

$$M2 = 3$$

$$L1 = 4$$

$$L2 = 3$$

$$AnVe1 = 0$$

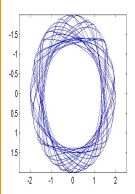
$$AnVe2 = 0$$

$$Angle1 = \pi/4$$

$$Angle2 = \pi/4$$

$$tolerance = 1e - 006$$

$$power = 1/3$$



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Quasiperiodic

Use this input, we will find the quasiperiodic motion:

$$M1 = 3$$

$$M2 = 3$$

$$L1 = 4$$

$$L2 = 3$$

$$AnVe1 = 0$$

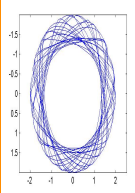
$$AnVe2 = 10$$

$$Angle1 = \pi/2$$

$$Angle2 = \pi/2$$

$$tolerance = 1e - 006$$

$$power = 1/4$$



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Chaotic

Use this input, we will find the chaotic motion:

$$M1 = 10$$

$$M2 = 1$$

$$L1 = 3$$

$$L2 = 3$$

$$AnVe1 = 2$$

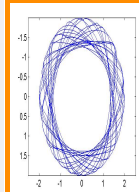
$$AnVe2 = 10$$

$$Angle1 = \pi$$

$$Angle2 = \pi$$

$$tolerance = 1e - 006$$

$$power = 1/3$$

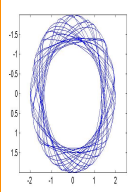


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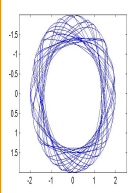
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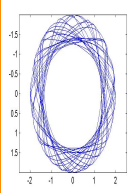
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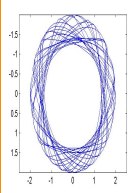


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