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## Tutorial - 4

① Solve the problem for Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - V(r)$$

where  $V(r) = \frac{1}{2} k r^2$

$$L = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) - \frac{k}{2} r^2$$

Lagrangian is independent of  $\theta$  and  $t$  and we have two conserved quantities.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = p_{\theta} = m r^2 \dot{\theta} = L_z \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$E = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) + \frac{k}{2} r^2$$

From (1) we get  $\dot{\theta} = \frac{L_z}{m r^2}$

$$E = \frac{m}{2} \left( \dot{r}^2 + \frac{L_z^2}{m^2 r^2} \right) + \frac{k r^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{m} \left( E - \frac{k r^2}{2} \right) = \dot{r}^2 + \frac{L_z^2}{m^2 r^2}$$

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$$\dot{r}^2 = \frac{2}{m} \left( E - k \frac{r^2}{2} \right) - \frac{L_z^2}{m^2 r^2}$$

$$\dot{r}^2 = \frac{2}{m} \left[ E - \frac{k r^2}{2} - \frac{L_z^2}{2m r^2} \right]$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{L_z}{m r^2}$$

are sol<sup>n</sup> to the EOM

However, we will not have  $r$  and  $\theta$  as function of  $t$  until

② ~~The Lagrangian for~~ a charge particle with charge ' $q$ ' and mass ' $m$ ' is subjected a electric magnetic field  $E$  and  $B$

$$E \text{ is given by } E = -\nabla\phi - \frac{\partial A}{\partial t}$$

$$B \text{ is given by } B = -\nabla \times A$$

The Lagrangian for such a



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System can be given by

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m [\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2] - q\phi + q\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

Show that the Lagrange eq<sup>n</sup> of motion reproduces the Lorentz force equation

$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} = q[\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}]$$

Since coordinate system is cartesian we can find EOM for  $x$  others are similar

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

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \dot{x}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 + \dot{z}^2) - q\phi + q(A_x \dot{x} + A_y \dot{y} + A_z \dot{z}) \right]$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_e}{\partial \dot{x}} = (m\dot{x} + qA_x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_e}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) = m\ddot{x} + q \frac{dA_x}{dt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_e}{\partial x} = & -q \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + q \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} \dot{x} + q \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} \dot{y} \\ & + q \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \dot{z} \end{aligned}$$

EOM is

$$\begin{aligned} m\ddot{x} + q \left[ \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} \dot{x} + \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} \dot{y} + \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} \dot{z} \right] \\ + q \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} - q \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial x} \dot{x} - q \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} \dot{y} - q \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \dot{z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m\ddot{x} + q \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} + q \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial t} \\ + \left( \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial A_y}{\partial x} \right) q \dot{y} \\ + \left( \frac{\partial A_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial A_z}{\partial x} \right) q \dot{z} \end{aligned}$$

it can be show to be  $\vec{F} = m\ddot{x} + E_x q + (\vec{v} \times \vec{B})_x q$