







A rational mechanics course where everything is made with Python code

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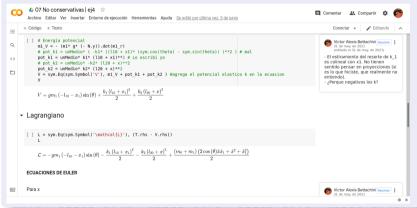
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- Modifiying it solves different problems

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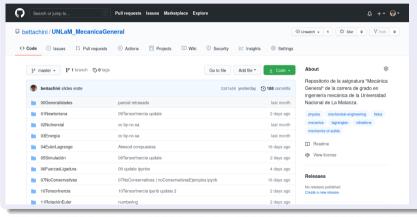
- It runs Jupyter notebooks online, and it's free.
- Students can collaborate remotely, working on the same notebook.
- Teachers can edit and comment the work of students.



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The course setup: GitHub

- Course material, accesible in a clear way, and easy to keep updated.
- Google Colaboratory loads Jupyter Notebooks directly from GitHub.



Class 1: Concise Mathematical Notation

• Latex typesetting, standard for the American Mathematical Society

Considero que el potencial V es nulo en el origen de coordenadas, es decir que donde se encuentra su mínimo $\varphi=0, V(\varphi=0)=-mg\ell'$ y por tanto

$$V(\varphi) = mg(-\ell\cos\varphi) = -mg\ell\cos\varphi,$$

Como vemos la aproximación funciona bastante bien. Conformes con ella calculamos la fuerza

$$\vec{F} = -\vec{\nabla}V = -\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r}, \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)V(\varphi)$$

Pero solo nos interesa expresar la 2.a lev de Newton para lo que pasa en $\hat{\varphi}$

$$m\ddot{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\varphi} = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} V(\varphi)$$

En el lado izquierdo de la expresión de la aceleración en cilindricas $\ddot{r} = (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\varphi}^2)\hat{r} + (\dot{r}\dot{\varphi}^2 + r\ddot{\varphi})\hat{\varphi} + \ddot{z}\hat{z}$, nos quedamos solo con la componente en $\hat{\phi}$.

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\varphi} = \dot{r}\dot{\varphi}^2 + r\ddot{\varphi}$$

y como el hilo del péndulo es rígido e inextensible $r \equiv \ell$ solo queda de esto $\ddot{}$

$$\ddot{\vec{r}} \cdot \hat{\varphi} = \ell \ddot{\varphi}$$

En el lado derecho la derivada del potencial respecto a φ es

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} V(\varphi) = mg\ell \sin(\varphi)$$

Class 1: precise and reproducible graphics

• The use of Python code for producing graphics is explicit, making the students play with it.

```
# graficación
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 4))
ax.plot(tiempos, phi(tiempos), 'o-')
ax.set xlabel('Tiempo [s]')
ax.set vlabel(r'$\varphi$ [rad]')
Text(0, 0.5, '$\\varphi$ [rad]')
     0.15
     0.10
     0.05
φ [rad]
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    -0.05
    -0.10
    -0.15
                                                                                                        10
                                                      Tiempo [s]
```

Class 3: symbolic calculations

 These students have completed courses in Calculus and Algebra, now it's time to focus on applying the tools acquired in those courses.

```
[8]: m2 v cuadrado = m2 v.dot(m2 v)
        m2 v cuadrado
       \ell^2 \sin^2(\alpha) \dot{\alpha}^2 + (\ell \cos(\alpha) \dot{\alpha} + \dot{x})^2
        Con esto la energía cinética queda
                                                 T(\dot{x}_1, \varphi, \dot{\varphi}) = \frac{m_1}{2} (\dot{\vec{r}}_1)^2 + \frac{m_2}{2} (\dot{\vec{r}}_2)^2
                                                                  = \frac{m_1}{2}\dot{x}^2 + \frac{m_2}{2}(\dot{x}^2 + 2\dot{x}\ell\cos\varphi\dot{\varphi} + l^2\dot{\varphi}^2)
[9]: # Energía cinética
       unMedio = sym.Rational(1.2) # Rational: fracción de enteros, alternativamente podría haberse usado θ.5
        m1 T = unMedio* m1* m1 v cuadrado
        m2 T = unMedio* m2* m2 v cuadrado
        T = sym.Eq(sym.Symbol('T'), (m1 T + m2 T) ) # simplify: simplifica usando factor común y otras operaciones
       T = \frac{m_1 \dot{x}^2}{2} + \frac{m_2 \left(\ell^2 \sin^2 (\varphi) \dot{\varphi}^2 + (\ell \cos (\varphi) \dot{\varphi} + \dot{x})^2\right)}{2}
```



Class 4: Dynamics

Ecuaciones de Euler-Lagrange

Para x

$$m_1\ddot{x} + m_2\left(-\ell\sin(\phi)\dot{\phi}^2 + \ell\cos(\phi)\ddot{\phi} + \ddot{x}\right) = 0$$

Esta es una ecuación diferencial lineal de segundo orden homogena. De aquí podría despejarse \ddot{x}

[9]: sym.Eq(x.diff(t,2),

list($sym.solveset(x_EL, x.diff(t,2)$) [0] # solveset devuelve un set, que convertimos a lista) # aceleración = x punto punto [m s-2]

$$\ddot{x} = \frac{\ell m_2 \left(\sin \left(\phi \right) \dot{\phi}^2 - \cos \left(\phi \right) \ddot{\phi} \right)}{m_1 + m_2}$$

Pero queda en función de otra aceleración $\ddot{\phi}$.

Para ϕ

[10]: phi_EL = sym.Eq(L.rhs.diff(phi) - L.rhs.diff(phi.diff(t)).diff(t), 0).simplify() # ecuación igualando a cero
phi_EL





Class 4: Automation of resolutions

- No heavy calculations consuming the energy of the students.
- Their complexity does not limit the mechanical problems that can be tackled.



Class 5: Numerical analysis

Explicit solutions.

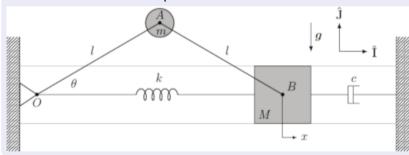
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[22]: # defino una función con el sistema de derivadas
      # t : no se usa en este sistema pero lo dejamos para uso posterior
      # v : lista de estado con [v[θ], v[1], v[2], v[3]]
      # v[0]: x
      # v[1]: x punto
      # v[2]: phi
      # y[3]: phi punto
      # dvdt : lista de derivadas
      def v punto(t, v):
          dydt = [y[1],
                  x pp numpy(y[0], y[1], y[2], y[3]),
                  v[3].
                  phi pp numpy(v[0], v[1], v[2], v[3]),
          return dydt
[23]: # Integración de a pasos en el tiempo
      v ode2 = solve ivp(v punto, (t rango[0], t rango[-1]), v inicial, t eval = t rango)
[25]: v ode2.v[0]
                        . 0.95510744, 0.92131146, 0.89820932, 0.88468059,
[25]: arrav([ 1.
              0.87877042, 0.87745354, 0.87702754, 0.87352768, 0.86357726,
              0.84474673, 0.81565733, 0.77559949, 0.72423163, 0.66166451,
              0.588266 , 0.50468237, 0.41250381, 0.31433661, 0.21366454,
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             -0.26250272. -0.30576388. -0.33796804. -0.35953138. -0.37175469.
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Class 5: analysis of results

```
[26]: solucion = y ode2
      nombreCoordenada = 'x'
      fig. ax = plt.subplots(nrows= 1, ncols= 2, squeeze=False, figsize=(12, 4)) # dos figuras en la misma fila
      fig.suptitle('Integración numérica para $'+ nombreCoordenada + '$', fontsize=16)
      ax[0.0].plot(solucion.t. solucion.v[0]) # posición x
      ax[0,0].set(xlabel='t [s]', ylabel= '$' + nombreCoordenada+ '$ [m]', title='Posición')
      ax[0,1].plot(solucion.t, solucion.y[1]) # velocidad x
      ax[0,1].set(xlabel='t [s]', ylabel='$\dot{' + nombreCoordenada+ '}$ [m/s]', title='Velocidad')
[26]: [Text(0.5, 0, 't [s]').
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          -3
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Class 7: Adding complexity

- Reuse code from previous classes to study complex situations.
- Similar to real world problems.









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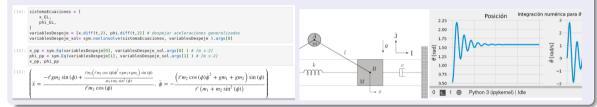


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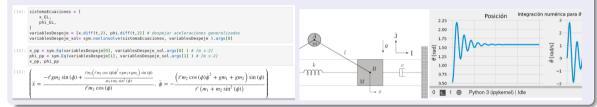


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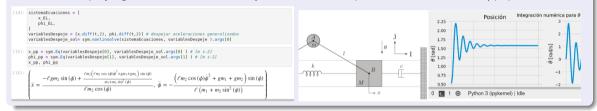


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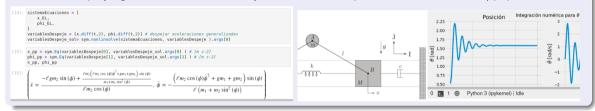
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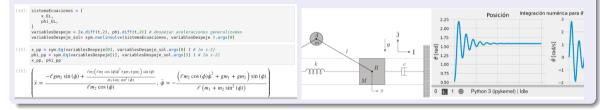
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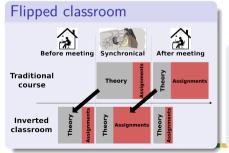
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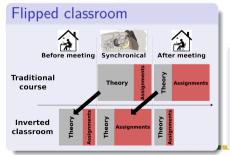
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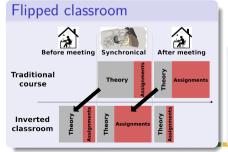
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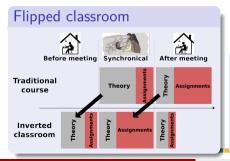
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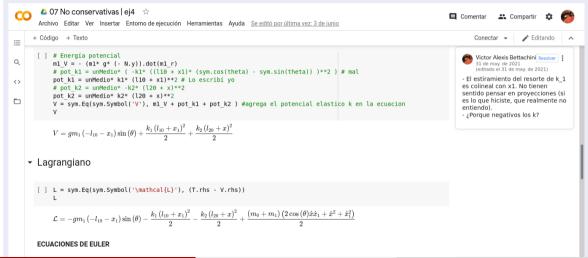
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Asynchronic corrections and remote assistance

Student's work can be commented and edited in Google Colaboratory



Exams

The exam is just another excercise.

- The students send their notebook.
- Feedback is inserted in between the student's work.
 - []: sym.Eq(flig_rho_rep, flig_rho)
- [119]: $Q_{\rho}(\lambda) = \lambda$

Esta fuerza efectivamente es igual a λ , pero ¿por qué? No das una justificación.

Entonces la fuerza de ligadura Q_{θ} , o lo que es lo mismo, la fuerza que hace la barra rigida esta dada por la ecuacion:

$$\text{[120]:} \ \ Q_{\rho}\left(\theta_1,\dot{\theta}_1,\theta_2,\dot{\theta}_2\right) = -m\left(\ell'\dot{\theta}_2^2 + a\sin\left(\theta_1 - \theta_2\right)\ddot{\theta}_1 + a\cos\left(\theta_1 - \theta_2\right)\dot{\theta}_1^2 + g\cos\left(\theta_2\right)\right)$$

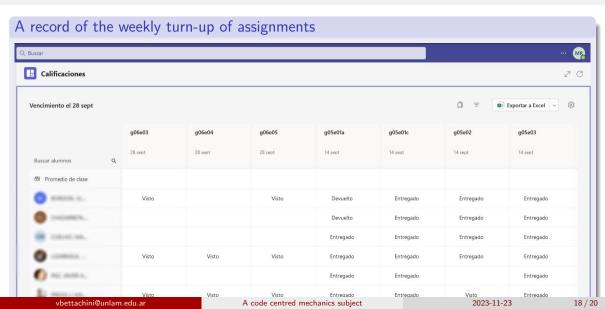
No es la expresión buscada.

Entre las variables hay una que no está marcada en la izquierda de la igualdad, donde decís que la expresas en función de los $heta_i$ y $\dot{ heta}_i$.

Podés ver que te quedó expresado en función de $\ddot{ heta}_1$. Esta puede obtenerse de resolver el sistema con las otras dos ecuaciones de Euler-

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