

Newtonian Mechanics

N1 - If no forces act on a body, it remains at rest or moves with constant velocity: $\dot{\underline{v}} = 0$

N2 - $\underline{\dot{p}} = \underline{F}$

N3 - $\underline{F}_{ab} = -\underline{F}_{ba}$

$$\underline{L} \equiv \underline{r} \times \underline{p}$$

$$W_{BA} \equiv \int_A^B \underline{F} \cdot d\underline{r} = T_B - T_A$$

Orbits (cylindrical polars):

$$\underline{e}_r = \cos \phi \underline{i} + \sin \phi \underline{j}$$

$$\underline{e}_\phi = -\sin \phi \underline{i} + \cos \phi \underline{j}$$

$$\dot{\underline{r}} = \dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\phi}^2) + V(r)$$

Newton to Lagrange

Holonomic constraint is an algebraic relation between coordinates:

$$f(\underline{r}_a, \underline{r}_b, \dots, \underline{r}_N; t) = 0$$

For system with N cartesian coordinates x_i , M constraints, and $3N - M$ generalised coordinates q_i , and $x_i = x_i(\{q\}, t)$

Virtual displacement:

$$\delta x_i = \sum_j \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_j} \delta q_j + 0$$

Generalised forces:

$$Q_j = \sum_i F_i \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial q_j}$$

for a function $f = f(\{q\}, \{\dot{q}\}, t)$

$$df = \sum_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_j} dq_j + \sum_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial \dot{q}_j} d\dot{q}_j + \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} dt$$

Lagrange's equations (general form):

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) - \frac{\partial T}{\partial q_j} = Q_j$$

or

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_j} = 0$$

where $\mathcal{L}(\{q\}, \{\dot{q}\}, t) = T(\{q\}, \{\dot{q}\}, t) - V(\{q\}, t)$

Calculus of Variations