

Lab1: Shadowing a Particle

■ Background

Analyze the trajectory $\mathbf{x}(t)$ of a particle of mass m in a given force field $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ and with given initial conditions $\mathbf{x}(t_0)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t_0)$.

Study the dependency of the trajectory on disturbances in the initial conditions by simulating a system of particles with slightly different initial conditions. Study the dependency of the numerically computed trajectory on the time-step size h by comparing with a given reference trajectory representing the exact solution.

System of N_p particles in 2D of mass m is governed by Newton's equations of motion. The force $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$ and potential energy $E_p(\mathbf{x})$ for each particle is:

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = m \mathbf{g} - \sum_{k=1}^5 \frac{f_k}{r_k^2} \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_k\|^2}{2 r_k^2}\right) (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_k)$$
$$E_p(\mathbf{x}) = -m \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{x} - \sum_{k=1}^5 f_k \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_k\|^2}{2 r_k^2}\right)$$

This force and potential represents gravity \mathbf{g} and $k = 1, 2, \dots, 5$ spherically symmetric attractive force fields with center position p_k , strength f_k and radius r_k , respectively.

▼ General Parameters

$$N_p = 500, \quad m = 1 \text{ kg}, \quad L = 5 \text{ m}$$

▼ Initial Conditions

$$t_0 = 0 \text{ s}, \quad t_f = 3 \text{ s}, \quad h = 0.01 \text{ s},$$
$$\mathbf{x}(t_0) = (-L, L), \quad \mathbf{v}(t_0) = (5, 10) \text{ m/s}$$

▼ Physical Constants

$$\mathbf{g} = (0, -9.81) \text{ m/s}^2$$

▼ Symmetric Attractive Force Fields

$$f_1 = 32 \text{ N}, \quad f_2 = 40 \text{ N}, \quad f_3 = 28 \text{ N}, \quad f_4 = 16 \text{ N}, \quad f_5 = 20 \text{ N}$$
$$r_1 = 0.3 L, \quad r_2 = 0.2 L, \quad r_3 = 0.4 L, \quad r_4 = 0.5 L, \quad r_5 = 0.3 L$$
$$p_1 = (-0.2, 0.8) L,$$
$$p_2 = (-0.3, -0.8) L,$$
$$p_3 = (-0.6, 0.1) L,$$
$$p_4 = (0.4, 0.7) L,$$
$$p_5 = (0.8, -0.3) L$$

▼ Position and Velocity Disturbances

$$\delta \mathbf{x} = (\delta x, \delta y); \quad \delta x, \delta y \in (-0.02, 0.02) L$$
$$\delta \mathbf{v} = (\delta v_x, \delta v_y); \quad \delta v_x, \delta v_y \in (-0.02 \mathbf{v}(t_0), 0.02 \mathbf{v}(t_0))$$

■ Parameters

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Remove["`*`"]; (* Remove all global symbols *)
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▼ General Parameters

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L := 5; (* Characteristic length of the system *)
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m := 1; (* Particle mass *)
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▼ Initial Conditions

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t0 = 0; (* Initial time *)
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tf = 3; (* Final time *)
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x0 := {-L, -L}; (* Initial position *)
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v0 := {5, 10}; (* Initial velocity *)
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▼ Physical Constants

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g := {0, -9.81}; (* Acceleration of gravity *)
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▼ Symmetric Attractive Force Fields

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f := {32, 40, 28, 16, 20}; (* Force strength *)
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r := {0.3, 0.2, 0.4, 0.5, 0.3} L; (* Force radius *)
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p := {{-0.2, 0.8}, {-0.3, -0.8}, {-0.6, 0.1}, {0.4, 0.7}, {0.8, -0.3}} L; (* Center position of the force *)
```

■ Forces and Energy

▼ Total Force

$$\mathbf{F}[\mathbf{x}_{\text{?VectorQ}}] := m g - \sum_{k=1}^5 \left(\frac{\mathbf{f}_{[k]}}{r_{[k]}^2} \exp\left[-\frac{\text{Norm}[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{[k]}]^2}{2 r_{[k]}^2}\right] (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{[k]}) \right);$$

▼ Potential and Kinetic Energy

$$E_p[\mathbf{x}_{\text{?VectorQ}}] := -m g \cdot \mathbf{x} - \sum_{k=1}^5 \left(\mathbf{f}_{[k]} \exp\left[-\frac{\text{Norm}[\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{[k]}]^2}{2 r_{[k]}^2}\right] \right);$$

$$E_k[\mathbf{v}_{\text{?VectorQ}}] := \frac{m \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{2};$$

■ Equations of Motion

```
SolveODE[
  t0_, tf_,
  x0_?VectorQ, v0_?VectorQ,
  method_: Automatic, h_: Automatic
] := Module[
  {X, V, sol},
  sol = NDSolve[
    {
      (* Differential Equations: *)
      X'[t] == V[t],
      m V'[t] == F[X[t]],
      (* Initial conditions: *)
      X[t0] == x0,
      V[t0] == v0
    },
    {X, V}, (* Dependent variables *)
    {t, t0, tf} (* Range of the independent variable *)
    , Method → method
    , StartingStepSize → h
    , MaxStepSize → h
    , MaxSteps → Infinity
  ];
  ({X, V} /. sol)[[1]]
];
```

■ Reference Solution, RK4, h = 1e-4

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X$ref = {-3.983781315868414, -5.118978158404967};  
Etot$ref = 13.008837864965010;
```

■ Solution, Runge-Kutta, h = 0.01

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{X, V} = SolveODE[t0, tf, x0, v0, "ExplicitRungeKutta", 0.01];
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NumberForm[Norm[X[tf] - X$ref], 20]
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$3.377978811938265 \times 10^{-11}$

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NumberForm[Abs[Ep[X[tf]] + Ek[V[tf]] - Etot$ref], 20]
```

$2.967155410260602 \times 10^{-10}$

■ Solution, Forward Euler, h = 0.01

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{X, V} = SolveODE[t0, tf, x0, v0, "ExplicitEuler", 0.01];
```

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NumberForm[Norm[X[tf] - X$ref], 20]
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0.2517073657616581

```
NumberForm[Abs[Ep[X[tf]] + Ek[V[tf]] - Etot$ref], 20]
```

2.341932983396703

■ Solution, Automatic

```
{X, V} = SolveODE[t0, tf, x0, v0];
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NumberForm[Norm[X[tf] - X$ref], 20]
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$5.85117449696673 \times 10^{-7}$

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NumberForm[Abs[Ep[X[tf]] + Ek[V[tf]] - Etot$ref], 20]
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$3.176574857377545 \times 10^{-6}$

■ Plots

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<< VectorFieldPlots`;

pathPlot := ParametricPlot[
  {x[t][[1]], x[t][[2]]},
  {t, t0, tf},
  PlotStyle -> {Thickness[0.005], Ticks -> {1, 1}, Red}
];

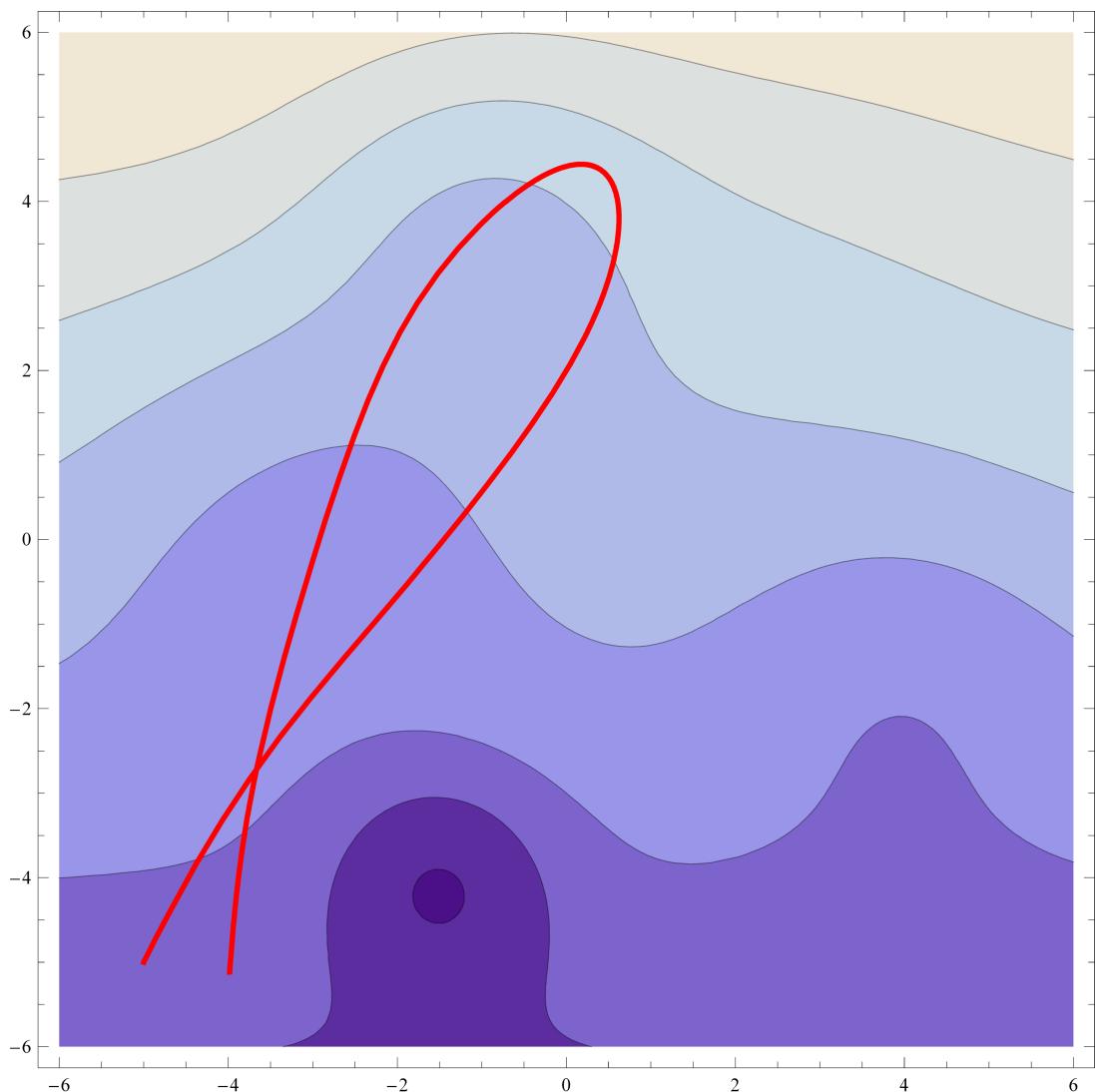
forceFieldPlot := VectorFieldPlot[
  F[{x1, x2}],
  {x1, -1.2 L, 1.2 L}, {x2, -1.2 L, 1.2 L},
  PlotPoints -> 20
];

potentialPlot := ContourPlot[
  Ep[{x1, x2}],
  {x1, -1.2 L, 1.2 L}, {x2, -1.2 L, 1.2 L}
];

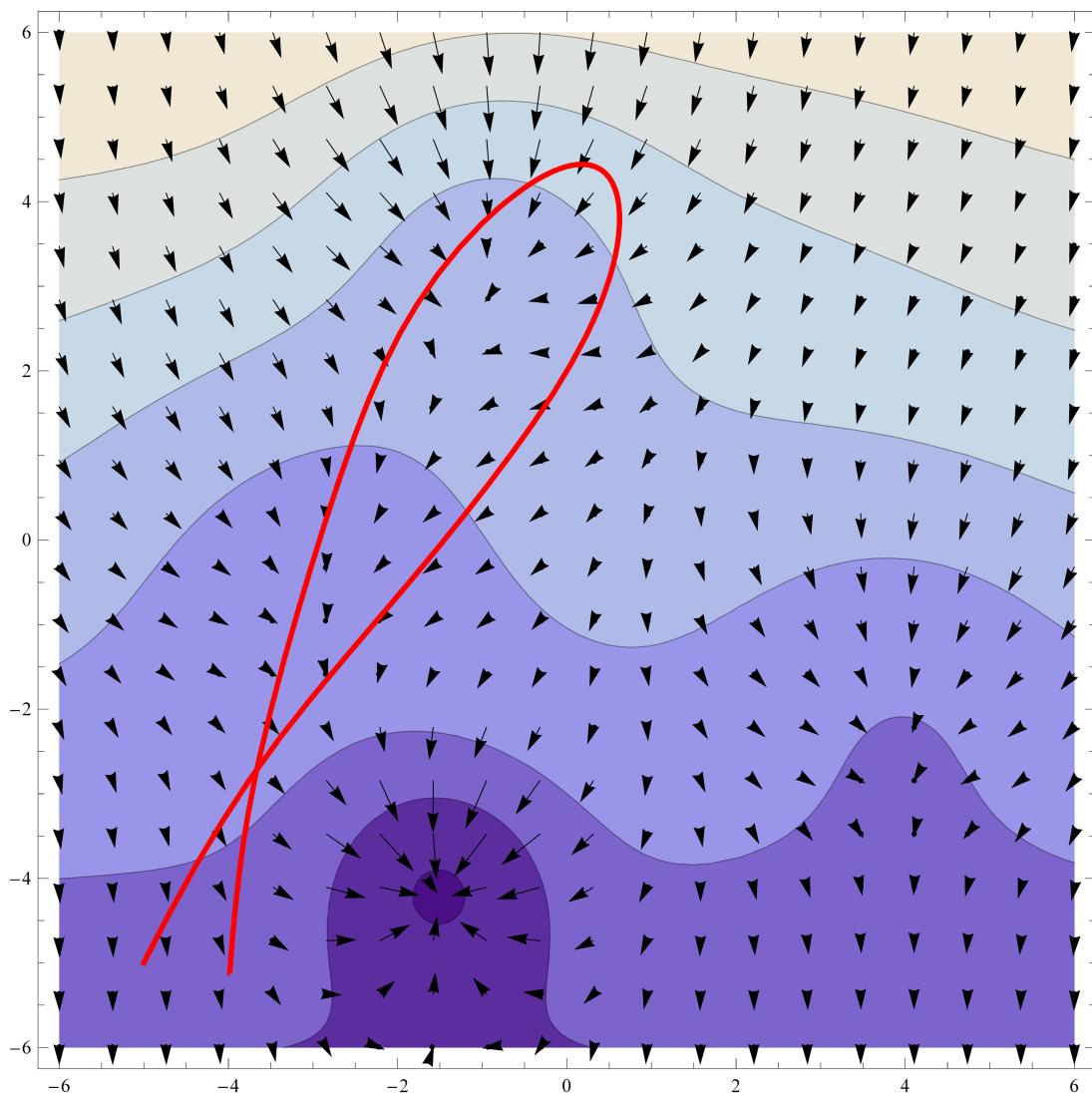
pathPlot3D := ParametricPlot3D[
  {x[t][[1]], x[t][[2]], Ep[X[t]]},
  {t, t0, tf},
  PlotStyle -> {Thickness[0.005], Red}
];

potentialPlot3D := Plot3D[
  Ep[{x1, x2}],
  {x1, -1.2 L, 1.2 L}, {x2, -1.2 L, 1.2 L}
];
```

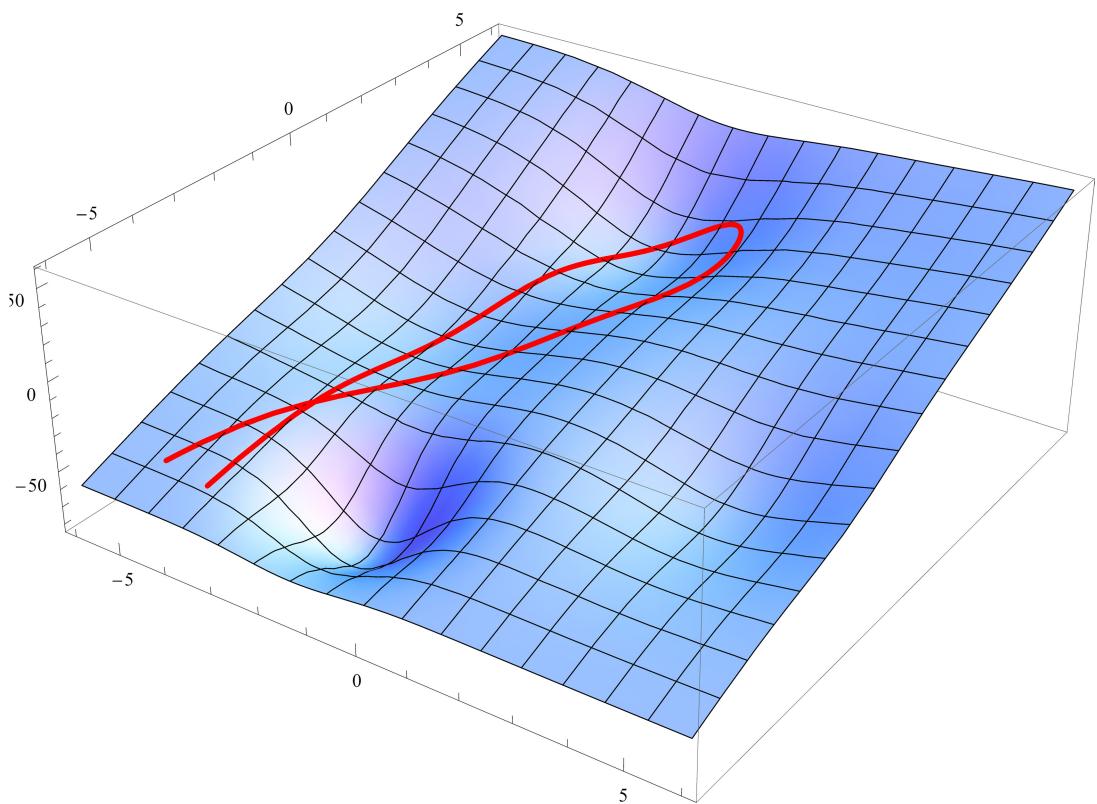
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Show[ potentialPlot, pathPlot ]
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Show[ potentialPlot, forceFieldPlot, pathPlot ]
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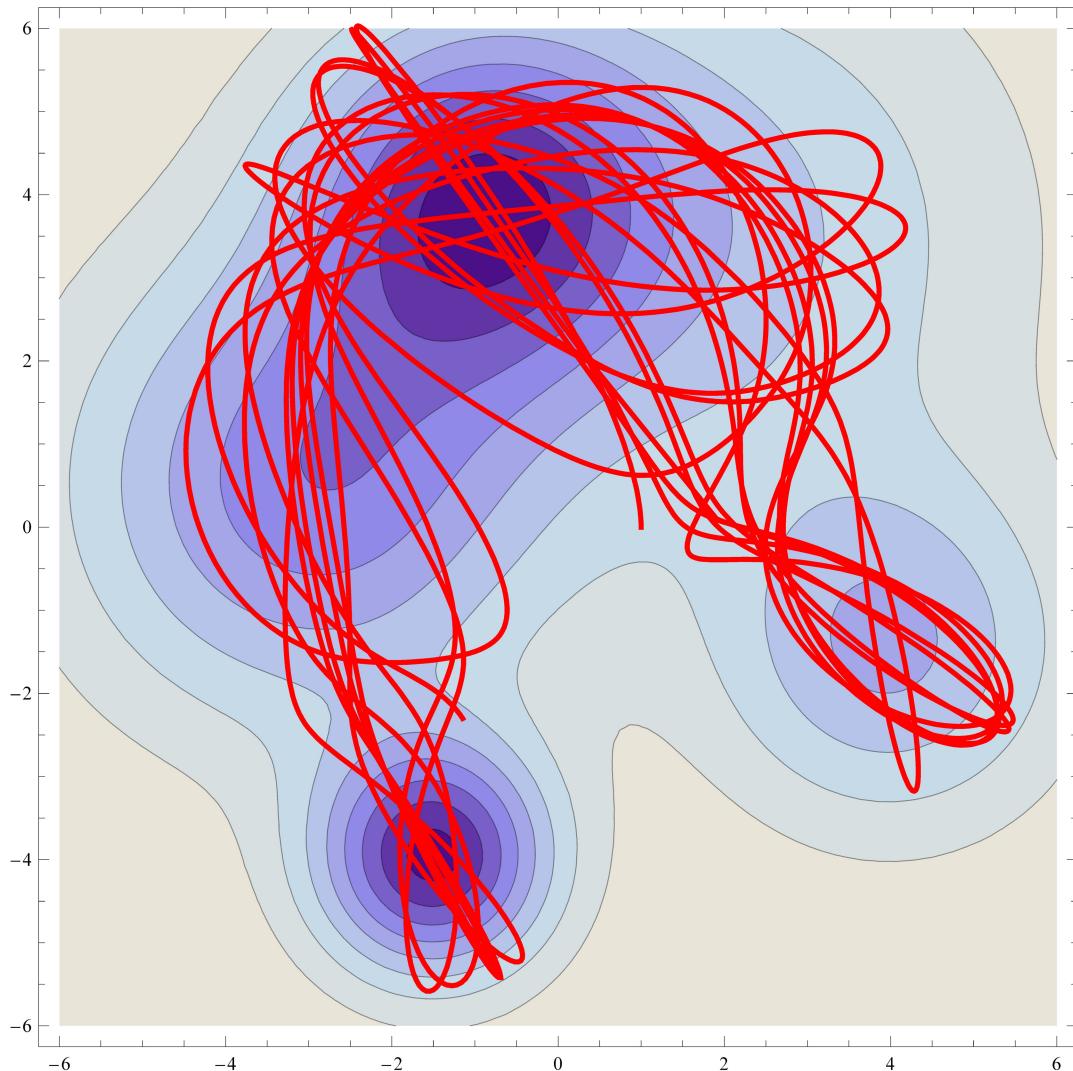


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Show[ potentialPlot3D, pathPlot3D ]
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■ Solution without Gravitation Field

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g = {0, 0};  
tf = 100;  
{x, v} = SolveODE[ t0, tf, {1, 0}, {0, 1} ];  
  
Show[ potentialPlot, pathPlot ]
```



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Show[ potentialPlot3D, pathPlot3D ]
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