

$$(a) \quad T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{a}^2 \dot{\varphi}^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\theta}^2)$$

Here ρ is a radius from the z axis,

$$\rho = b - a \cos \varphi$$

$$L = T = \frac{1}{2} m [a \dot{\varphi}^2 + (b - a \cos \varphi)^2 \dot{\theta}^2]$$

$$(b) \quad p_{\theta} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}} = m (b - a \cos \varphi)^2 \dot{\theta}$$

$$p_{\varphi} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\varphi}} = m a^2 \dot{\varphi}$$

$$H = p_{\theta} \dot{\theta} + p_{\varphi} \dot{\varphi} - L = \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2m(b-a \cos \varphi)^2} + \frac{p_{\varphi}^2}{2ma^2}$$

(c) θ is a cyclic coordinate. So p_{θ} is conserved.

H is conserved. $H = E$ (energy)

$$p_{\varphi}^2 = 2ma^2 \left(E - \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2m(b-a \cos \varphi)^2} \right)$$

$$(d) \quad 2p_{\varphi} \frac{\partial p_{\varphi}}{\partial \varphi} = \frac{2a^2 p_{\theta}^2 a \sin \varphi}{(b-a \cos \varphi)^3}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial p_{\varphi}}{\partial \varphi} \right|_{\varphi=\pi+\varepsilon} = - \frac{a^3 p_{\theta}^2 \varepsilon}{(b+a)^3 p_{\varphi}} + \dots \quad \left(\sin(\pi+\varepsilon) = -\varepsilon + \dots \right)$$

This looks like a restoring force. So we can get paths that oscillate around $\varphi = \pi$. However, if p_{θ} is big enough, the mass will circle the torus.

(I)



(II)



What separates these two cases?

The boundary is when $\varphi = 0$, $p_{\varphi} = 0$.

$\Rightarrow E^* = \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2m(b-a)^2}$. When $E < E^*$, case (I); When $E > E^*$, (II).