

W8 D3

Hwk Ch. 8 P. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 16, 18, 21 } Due Mon.

Read 8.1 - 8.5

Notes: Midterms: 83%-up=A, 75-83=B, 65-75=C, 50-65=D, Median=0.695

Hwk on Ch. 7 Graded #8, #29.  $\mu = 6.7/10$  (incl. 8 zeros)

Keys to Ch. 5, 6, 7 Hwk now online. Also Ch. 7 lecture.

Next Quiz: Wednesday, end of class. See Practice Quizzes!

TODAY: Finding  $F_x$ ,  $F_y$  and  $F_z$  from  $U(x, y, z)$

Stable & Unstable Equilibrium

Conservation of Energy (Ch. 8)

Big, general formula  $\Delta E_{\text{sys}} = \sum T_i$

Mechanical Energy  $E_{\text{mech}} = U + K$

Add friction:  $f_{\text{kd}}$  or  $\Delta E_{\text{int}}$

Finding  $F_x$  from  $U(x)$  [Back 1 page]

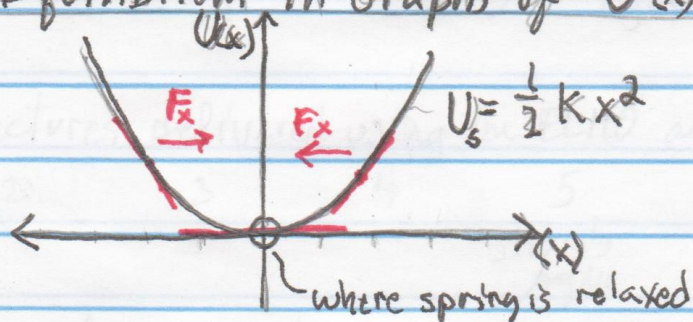
Stable and Unstable Equilibrium in Graphs of  $U(x)$

Ex)  $U(x)$  for spring:

Where is  $F_s = 0$ ?

$$F_s = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$$

$$F_s = -Kx$$



So  $F_s = 0$  at  $x = 0$ .  $x = 0$  is an equilibrium point!

Q: Is  $x = 0$  a "stable" equilibrium?

Ans: Yes, because a small displacement away from  $x = 0$  leads to a restoring force.

Note: imagine placing a ball on this parabolic curve - it would come to rest at  $x = 0$ .



Determine  $F_x, F_y$  &  $F_z$  from  $U(x, y, z)$

$$* \quad F_x = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}, \quad F_y = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial y}, \quad F_z = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial z}$$

(P. 36) Ex)  $U = 3x^3y - 7x$  Find the force that acts at the point  $(x, y)$ .

$$\text{Soln: } F_x = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} [3x^3y - 7x] = -[9x^2y - 7]$$
$$= -9x^2y + 7$$

$$F_y = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [3x^3y - 7x] = -[3x^3 + 0]$$
$$= -3x^3$$

$$\text{So } \vec{F}(x, y) = (-9x^2y + 7)\hat{i} - 3x^3\hat{j}$$

Ex) A conserv. force acts on a 5kg particle according to  $F_x = 2x + 4$ . What is the corresponding potential energy function?

(and  $F_y = 0$ )

$$\text{Soln: } F_x = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$$

$$2x + 4 = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$$

$$-2x - 4 = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = \frac{dU}{dx}$$

$$\int (-2x - 4) dx = \int dU$$

$$-x^2 - 4x + C = U_x$$

unknown constant of integration

$$\text{Also, } U_y = C' \text{ so that } -\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = 0$$

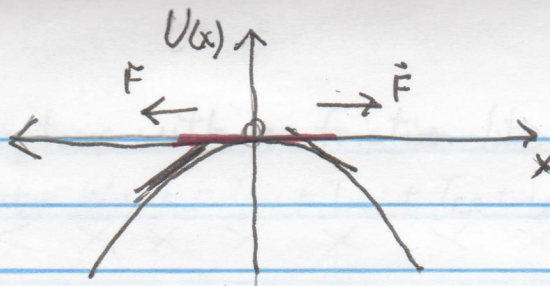


Equilibrium (cont.)

Ex)  $U(x) = -\frac{1}{2}kx^2$

$F(x) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(-\frac{1}{2}kx^2)$

$F(x) = +kx$



Q: Where is  $F(x) = 0$ ?

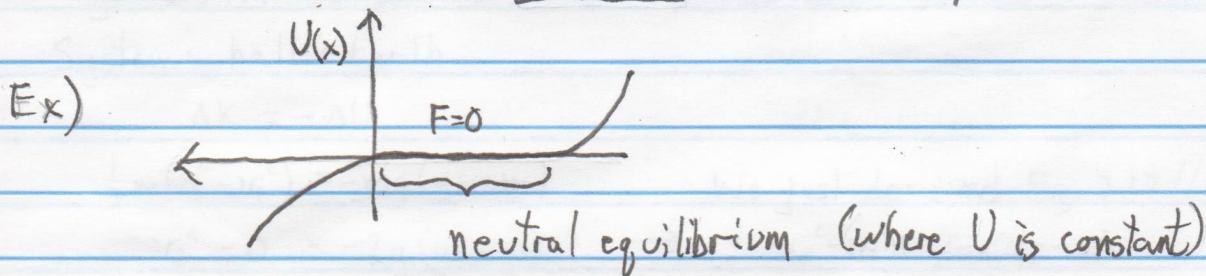
$x=0$

Equilibrium

Q: Is it stable?

Ans: no!

$F(x)$  is disruptive



## Conservation of Energy (Ch. 8)

PPT #2

### In-Class Questions for attendance

Q: I can usually read the text projected by the ELMO.

1	2	3	4	5
Strongly Disagree	Some	most, not all	Almost everything	Strongly Agree

Q: In general, the lectures delivered using the ELMO are effective.

1	2	3	4	5
Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree

Q: Would you prefer all powerpoint, all ELMO or all whiteboard?

Q: Any suggestions to improve the course?

PPT Slides 2-10

See slide #2  
of Ch. 8  
Powerpoint