

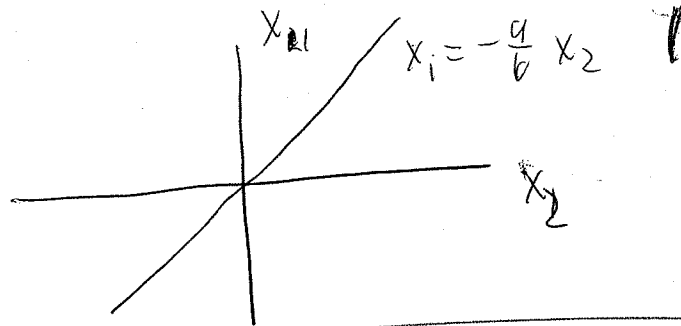
Back to our ex

When  $\det \underline{M} = 0$ ,

$$x_1 = -\frac{d}{c} x_2 \quad \text{from (2)}$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{g}{b} x_2 \quad \text{from (1)}$$

but: if  $\det \underline{M} = 0$ , these are same condition



Our example:

$$\det \underline{M} = \begin{vmatrix} (m_1 + m_2)(l_1^2 \lambda^2 + l_1 g) & m_2 l_1 l_2 \lambda^2 \\ m_2 l_1 l_2 \lambda^2 & m_2 [l_2^2 \lambda^2 + l_2 g] \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m_2(m_1 + m_2)(l_1^2 \lambda^2 + l_1 g)(l_2^2 \lambda^2 + l_2 g) - m_2^2 l_1^2 l_2^2 \lambda^4 = 0$$

Same as earlier condition (try it and see!)

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Higher dimensions (bigger  $N$ )

$$\begin{array}{c} \tilde{M} \\ \uparrow \\ N \times N \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \vec{x} \\ \uparrow \\ N\text{-comp vector} \end{array} = 0$$

only has solution if

$$\det \tilde{M} = \begin{vmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & \dots & M_{1N} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & \dots & M_{2N} \\ M_{31} & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ M_{N1} & & & \end{vmatrix} = M_{11} \det \begin{vmatrix} M_{22} & \dots & M_{2N} \\ M_{32} & \dots & M_{3N} \\ \vdots & & \\ M_{N2} & \dots & \end{vmatrix} \\ - M_{12} \begin{vmatrix} M_{21} & M_{23} \\ M_{31} & M_{33} \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{vmatrix} \\ + M_{13} \begin{vmatrix} M_{21} & M_{22} & M_{24} \\ M_{31} & M_{32} & M_{34} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{vmatrix} \\ - M_{14} \begin{vmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{vmatrix} \\ + \dots$$

By recursively applying this formula, can  
(with enough work) compute  $\det M$  for any  $N \times N$  matrix

~~the determinant of a matrix can be computed by this method~~

Simplest ~~exam~~ extension:  $3 \times 3$

$$\underline{M} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det \underline{M} = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$$

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$$= aec + bfg + cdh - bdc - afh - ceg$$

~~right~~ This leads to polynomial equation  
for eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .  $\det \underline{M}(\lambda) = 0$

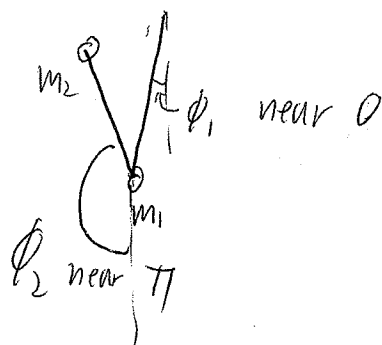
In general,  $N$  d.o.f  $\Rightarrow \geq N$   $\lambda_\alpha$ 's ( $\alpha=1, 2, \dots, 2N$ )

In our example,  $\lambda_1 = i\omega_+$ ,  $\lambda_2 = -i\omega_+$ ,  $\lambda_3 = i\omega_-$ ,  
 $\lambda_4 = -i\omega_-$ . In general, don't always come

in pairs

Applying this approach to unstable fixed point:

$$\phi_1 = 0, \phi_2 = \pi$$



$$\phi_1 \ll 1, \phi_2 = \pi + \delta\phi_2, \delta\phi_2 \ll 1$$

Linearized E.O.M.'s:

$$\det \underline{M} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} (\lambda^2 + w_1^2) & -\alpha \frac{l_2}{l_1} \lambda^2 \\ -\frac{l_1}{l_2} \lambda^2 & (\lambda^2 - w_2^2) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda^2 + w_1^2)(\lambda^2 - w_2^2) - \alpha \lambda^4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^4 (1 - \alpha) + \lambda^2 (w_1^2 - w_2^2) - w_1^2 w_2^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 = \frac{w_2^2 - w_1^2 \pm \sqrt{(w_1^2 - w_2^2)^2 + 4(1 - \alpha) w_1^2 w_2^2}}{2(1 - \alpha)}$$

stable or unstable?

$$\lambda^2 > 0 \text{ or } < 0 ?$$

Note: In general, even in stable, 2x2 case, motion not simple.

In particular, quasiperiodic:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = a_1 \vec{z}_1 \cos(\omega_1 t + \phi_1) + b_1 \vec{z}_2 \cos(\omega_2 t + \phi_2)$$

In general,  $\frac{\omega_2}{\omega_1}$  irrational.

$\Rightarrow$  Motion never repeats itself.

Example:  $\phi_1 = \phi_2 = 0$

Start at  $\begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ y(0) \end{bmatrix} = a_1 \vec{z}_1 + a_2 \vec{z}_2$

Ever get back there? No!

why not?

When would  $\begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix} = a \vec{z}_1 + b \vec{z}_2$  ?

$$\cos(\omega_1 t) = 1 \Rightarrow \omega_1 t = 2\pi n_1$$

$$\cos(\omega_2 t) = 1 \Rightarrow \omega_2 t = 2\pi n_2$$

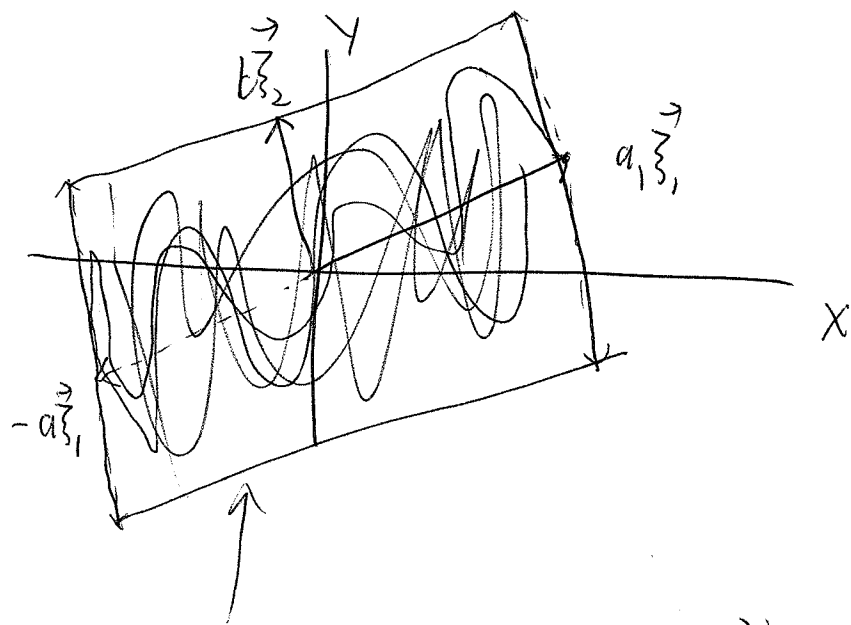
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 $n_1, n_2$  integer

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{n_1}{n_2} = \text{rational}$$

~~contradicts original~~

Impossible for  $\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}$  irrational.  $\Rightarrow$  Never return.

So what is motion?



Eventually "fills in" whole parallelogram

~~General~~

- Labor saving advice for linearized EOM: Don't expand EOM, expand  $\mathcal{L}$ .

In fact, don't even bother to derive full  $\mathcal{L}$ ; just derive  $\mathcal{L}$  valid for small  $\{\delta q_i\}$ .

○ How far do we have to go with  $\mathcal{L}$  expansion to get linear EOM's?

$$\mathcal{L}(\{q_j, \dot{q}_j\}) = \mathcal{L}(\{q_j^* + \delta q_j, \delta \dot{q}_j\})$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \mathcal{L}(\{q_j^*, 0\}) + \sum_j \left( \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_j} \right|_* \delta q_j + \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \right|_* \delta \dot{q}_j \right) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k} \left( \left. \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_j \partial q_k} \right|_* \delta q_j \delta q_k + \left. \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_j \partial \dot{q}_k} \right|_* \delta q_j \delta \dot{q}_k \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left. \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_j \partial \dot{q}_k} \right|_* \delta \dot{q}_j \delta \dot{q}_k \right) + O(\delta q^3)
\end{aligned}$$


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(A) EOM:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_i}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \delta \dot{q}_i} =$$

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(1)  $\Rightarrow$  EOM is

$$\sum_j \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i \partial \dot{q}_j} \Big|_*$$

$$\sum_j \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i \partial \dot{q}_j} \dot{q}_j^{(0)}$$

$$= \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right|_*$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_j \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i \partial \dot{q}_j} \dot{q}_j^{(0)}$$

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$$+ O(\delta q^2)$$

$\Delta$  What's this?

" special property of fixed point?

So, only need  $\mathcal{L}$  to  $O(\delta q^2)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  If you can guess where fixed points are, just calculate Lagrangian near there.

Examples:

1) Single particle, 1d motion in potential

$$L = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - V(x) = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 - V(x)$$

$$\sum_j \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} = \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \dot{x}^2} = m$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j^*} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0$$

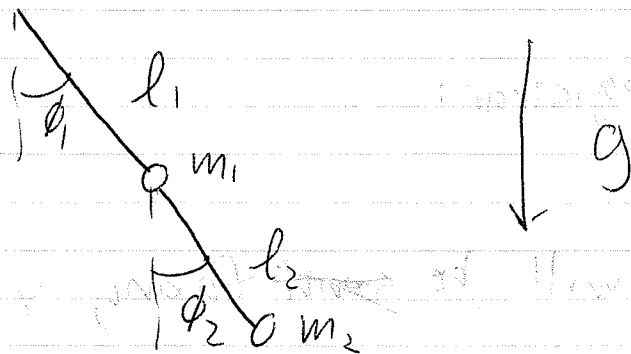
Familiar?

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} = ?$$

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$\Rightarrow$  EA linearized EOM:

2nd example: Double pendulum:



Let's just derive  $\mathcal{L}$  to  $O(dq^2, dq^{02})$

$$v_1^2 = \quad + \text{higher order terms}$$

$$v_2^2 = \quad + \text{h.o.t.}$$

$$U(\phi_1, \phi_2) =$$

$$\approx$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = ?$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2 + m_2 (\dot{\phi}_1 + \dot{\phi}_2)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_1 g l_1 \phi_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_2 g (l_1 \phi_1^2 + l_2 \phi_2^2)) \quad | 6.29$$

$\Rightarrow$  EOM's:

~~$$m_1 \ddot{\phi}_1 = 0$$~~

Same as we found by linearizing full expression earlier. Much easier.

Very general approach: Used in

- Condensed Matter Physics
- Birds
- High Energy Physics
- Solid State

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