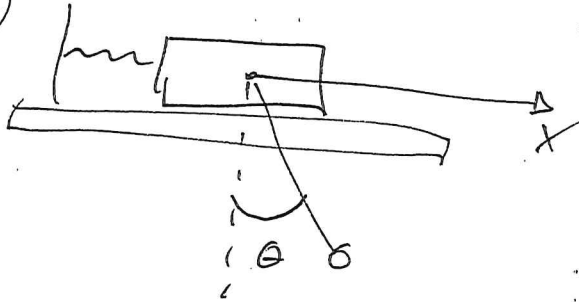


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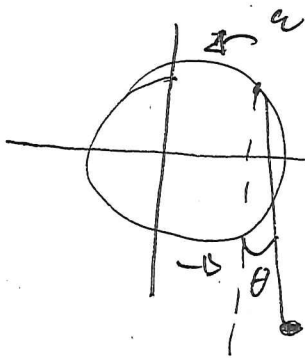
Problem 1

a)



$d = 2, (x, \theta)$

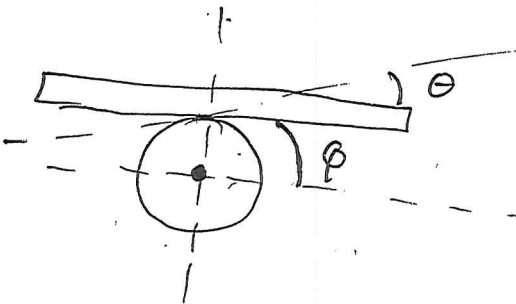
b)



$d = 1, (\theta)$

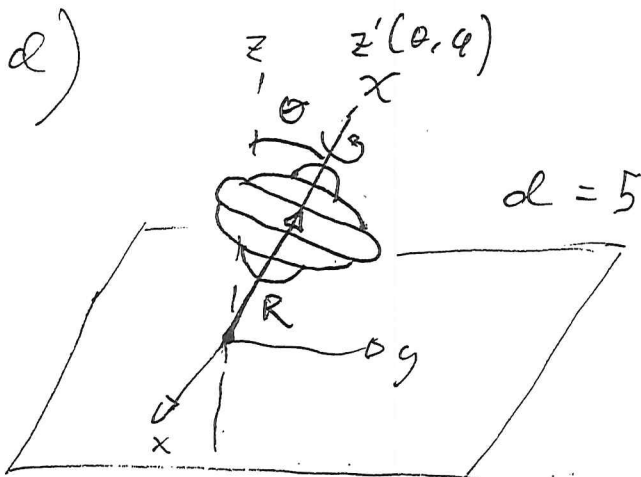
ω is constant

c)



$d = 2, (\theta, \phi)$

d)



$d = 5$

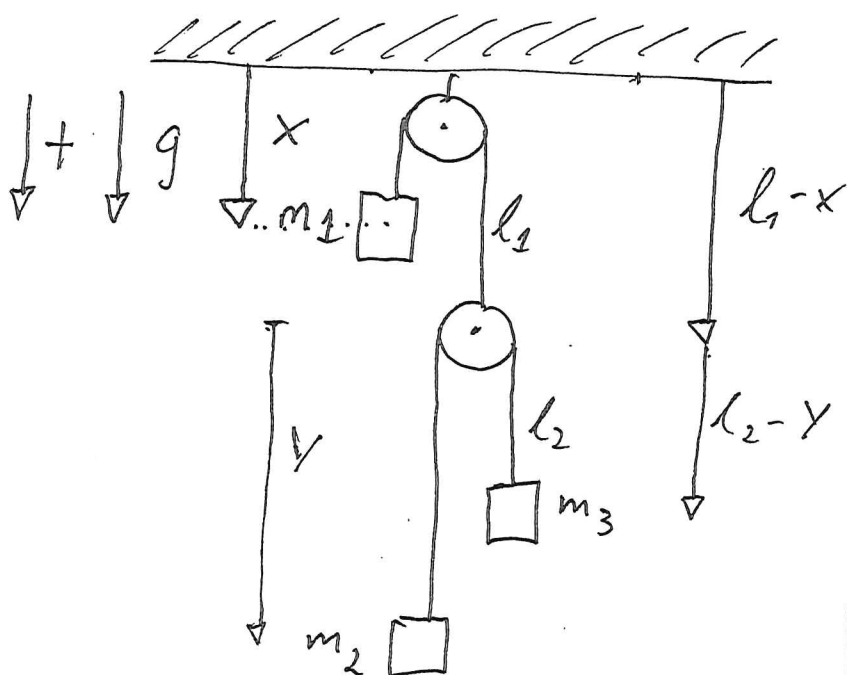
$\vec{R} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j}$

(the center of mass R does not move in z -direction)

ϕ is the rotation around its own axis.

θ & ϕ describes the orientation of the rotation axis in the 3D space

Problem 2



$$m_1 = 4m$$

$$m_2 = 2m$$

$$m_3 = m$$

$$\Rightarrow m_2 > m_3$$

$$m_1 > m_2 + m_3$$

l_1 & l_2 is the total lengths of the ropes

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 v_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_3 v_3^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m (4(\dot{x})^2 + 2(\dot{y} - \dot{x})^2 + (-\dot{x} - \dot{y})^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} m (7\dot{x}^2 + 3\dot{y}^2 - 2\dot{x}\dot{y})$$

$$v_1 = \dot{x}$$

$$v_2 = -\dot{x} + \dot{y}$$

$$v_3 = -\dot{x} - \dot{y}$$

$$V = m_1 g x_1 + m_2 g x_2 + m_3 g x_3$$

$$= mg (4x + 2(l_1 - x + y) + l_1 - x + l_2 - y)$$

$$= mg (x + 3l_1 + y + l_2)$$

$$x_1 = x$$

$$x_2 = l_1 - x + y$$

$$x_3 = l_1 - x + l_2 - y$$

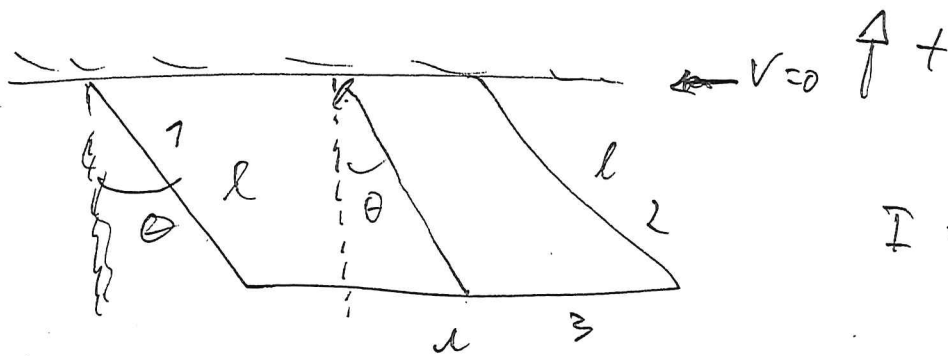
$$L = K - V = \frac{1}{2} m (7\dot{x}^2 + 3\dot{y}^2 - 2\dot{x}\dot{y}) - mg (x + 3l_1 + y + l_2)$$

Degrees of freedom: 2

- we can describe the motion of m_3 using m_2 , and describe the motion of the pulley carrying m_2 & m_3 using m_2

Problem 3

- The rods can only move in 2D, but because the distance l is fixed which means we only have one degree of freedom and use the angle θ



$$I = \frac{1}{3} m l^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} I_2 \dot{\theta}^2, \quad I_1 = I_2 = \frac{1}{2} m l^2$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \frac{1}{2} m l^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} m l^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} m l^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

$$= \frac{5}{6} m l^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

$$v_3^2 = l^2 \dot{\theta}^2$$

$V = mgh_1 + mgh_2 + mgh_3$, where ~~h_1, h_2, h_3~~
 h_1, h_2, h_3
 is the distance from the point of
 suspension down to the center of
 mass of each rod. We define
 the positive direction as in the
 drawing

$$\Rightarrow V = -mg \left(\frac{l}{2} \cos \theta + \frac{l}{2} \cos \theta + l \cos \theta \right) \\
 = -2mgl \cos \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow L = K - V = \frac{5}{6} ml^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + 2mgl \cos \theta$$

Problem 4

2) One particle moving in three dimensions
 means we have a 3D-coordinate system
 but we can use express one of the
 coordinates using the two others:

$$3N - n = 3 \cdot 1 - 1 = 2$$

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + e^{-(x^2+y^2)}\hat{k}$$

$$b) \quad \delta \vec{r} = \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \varphi_j} \delta \varphi_j = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial x} \delta x + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial y} \delta y$$

$$= \delta x \hat{i} - 2x e^{-(x^2+y^2)} \delta x \hat{k} + \delta y \hat{j} - 2y e^{-(x^2+y^2)} \delta y \hat{k}$$

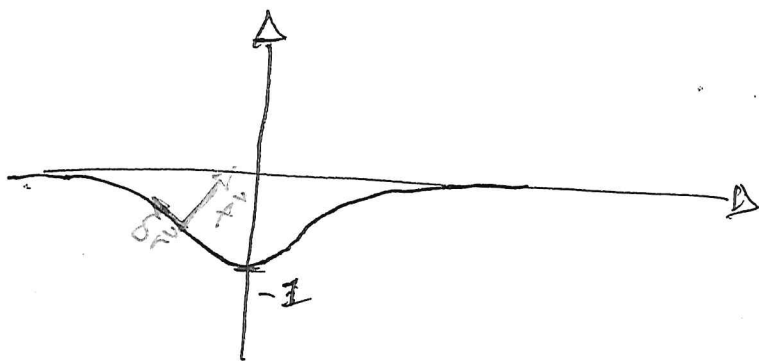
$$= \delta x \hat{i} + \delta y \hat{j} - (2x \delta x + 2y \delta y) e^{-(x^2+y^2)} \hat{k}$$

c) $\vec{f} \cdot \delta \vec{r} = 0$, so \vec{f} is perpendicular to the surface

$$\frac{1}{A} \vec{f} = \nabla (e^{-(x^2+y^2)} + z) = 2x e^{-(x^2+y^2)} \hat{i} + 2y e^{-(x^2+y^2)} \hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

where A is a constant of normalization

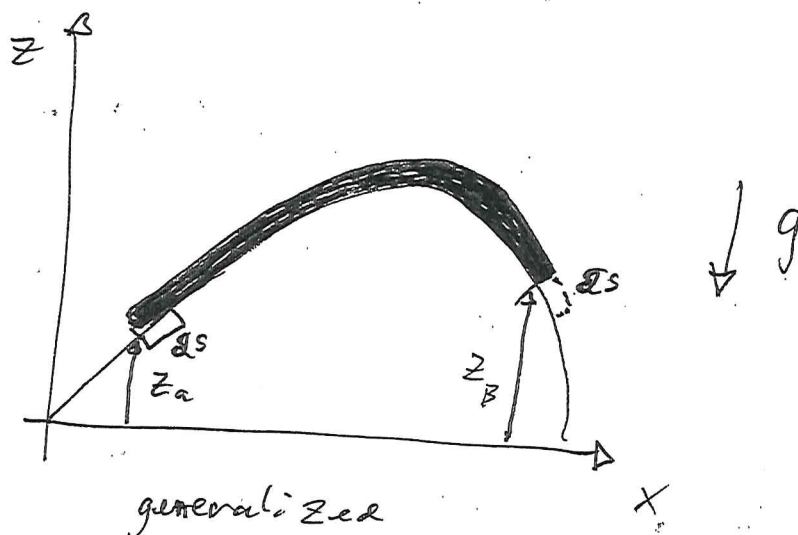
$$d) \quad \vec{r}(y=0) = x \hat{i} - e^{-x^2} \hat{k}$$



Problem 5

For static equilibrium -

$$\frac{dV}{d\bar{q}} = 0$$



We choose our ^{generalized} coordinate system along the surface. We look at the change in Potential dV when we move the chair an infinitesimal distance ds along the surface.

$$dV = g \frac{M}{L} ds z_A - g \frac{M}{L} ds z_B, \text{ where}$$

M is the total mass of the chair and L is the total length. We divide on both sides and get

$$\frac{dV}{ds} = g \frac{M}{L} (z_A - z_B) = 0, \text{ which}$$

$$\text{Hence } z_A = z_B$$