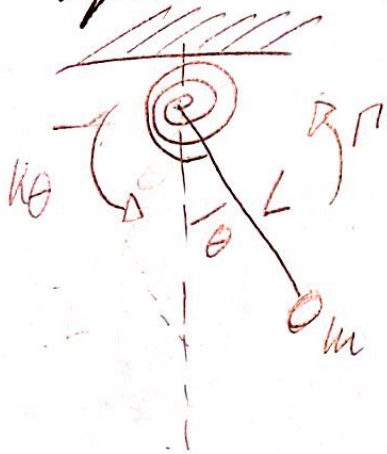


Pendulum connected to a torsion spring

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• From textbook, $mL^2\ddot{\theta}$ is a inertial amplitude term, $b\dot{\theta}$ a (viscous) damping and $mgL\sin\theta$ is a, always the gravitational component of the mass m . Differently from the textbook

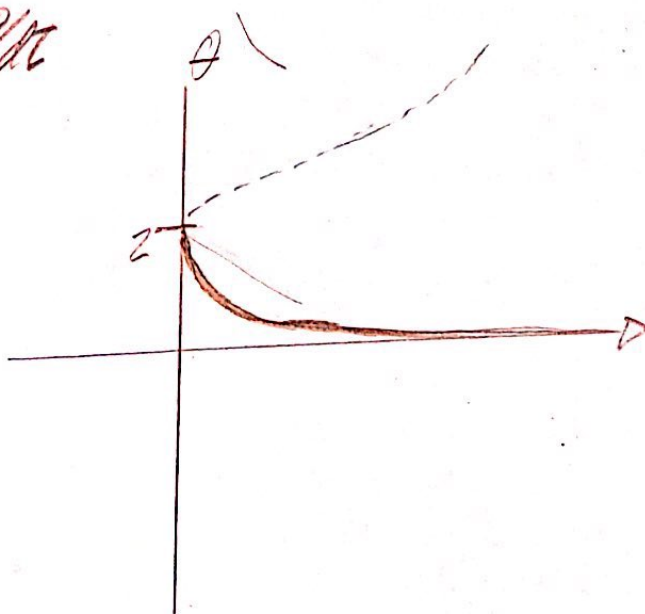
We have other than T , an applied torque that gives a direction to the movement we have too an opposite torque due to torsional spring, the term $-k\theta$.

• For a $b \gg 1$, we can neglect $mL^2\ddot{\theta}$, and we have now:

$$b\dot{\theta} + mgL\sin\theta = T - k\theta \Rightarrow \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{T}{mgL} - \sin\theta - \frac{k}{mgL}\theta$$

$$\tau = \frac{mgL}{b}, \quad \gamma = \frac{T}{mgL} \text{ and } \kappa = \frac{k}{mgL} \Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\theta} = \gamma - \sin\theta - \kappa\theta}$$

$$\theta' = d\theta/dt$$



• Extra Bonus:

The Bifurcation shows a stable line for θ less than $\pi/2$ which goes for $\pm\infty$. There a unstable points, when θ is greater than $\pi/2$, for which gravitational align with the vertical line.