

PH101
Lecture14


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How to predict motion of a system from known interactions

For a known force, one can use Newton's 2nd law to obtain acceleration, which after two integrations would yield velocity and position

Problem: \mathbf{F} is normally given as a function of position e.g. spring force or gravitational force and not as a function of time

Thus one needs to find e.g. $\vec{v}(t)$ from

$$m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \vec{F}(\vec{r})$$


Force is known as a function of position

In 1-D it is not difficult through integration of the eq of motion

For example, in 1-D harmonic oscillator problem one deals with

$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = F(x) \Rightarrow m \frac{dv}{dt} = F(x)$$

By algebraic manipulation through integration w.r.t . x and change of variables

$$m \int_{x_a}^{x_b} \left(\frac{dv}{dt} \right) dx = \int_{x_a}^{x_b} F(x) dx$$

$$m \int_{x_a}^{x_b} \frac{dv}{dt} \underbrace{\left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)}_{\downarrow v} dt = \int_{x_a}^{x_b} F(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{t_a}^{t_b} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} m v^2 \right) dt = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \Big|_{t_a}^{t_b} = \frac{1}{2} m v_b^2 - \frac{1}{2} m v_a^2 = \int_{x_a}^{x_b} F(x) dx$$

One could also write it in a form where upper limit is indefinite:

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_a^2 = \int_{x_a}^x F(x) dx$$

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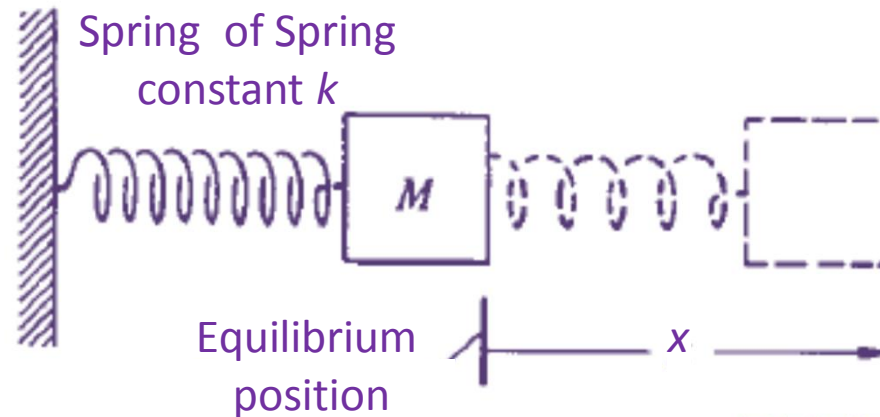
v is the velocity at a position x

From

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$x(t)$ can be obtained

Example: Solution for SHM in 1-D



Spring obeys linear restoring force: $F = -kx$

Hook's law: $F = -kx$

It is always in a direction to restore to its equilibrium position

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_0^2 &= -k \int_{x_0}^x x dx = -\frac{1}{2}k \cdot x^2 \Big|_{x_0}^x \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}kx^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx_0^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{M}{2} (v^2 - v_0^2) = -\frac{1}{2} k x^2 + \frac{1}{2} k x_0^2$$

If we assume initial conditions to be that at $t = 0$, the mass is released from rest $\Rightarrow v_0 = 0$ at distance x_0 from the origin

Thus

$$v^2 = -\frac{k}{M} x^2 + \frac{k}{M} x_0^2$$

& since $\frac{dx}{dt} = v$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = v = \left[\frac{k}{M} (x_0^2 - x^2) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{x_0}^x \frac{dx}{\sqrt{(x_0^2 - x^2)}} = \left[\frac{k}{M} \right]^{1/2} \int_0^t dt = \sqrt{\frac{k}{M}} t$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underbrace{\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right)\bigg|_{x_0}^x}_{\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) - \underbrace{\sin^{-1}(1)}_{=\pi/2}} &= \omega t \\
 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) - \sin^{-1}(1) &= \omega t \\
 &= \pi/2 \\
 \Rightarrow x &= x_0 \cos(\omega t)
 \end{aligned}$$

One can check that it indeed satisfies initial conditions:

$$\text{At } t = 0, \quad x = x_0, \quad \& \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = v_0 = \omega \sin 0 = 0$$

In the eq.

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_b^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_a^2 = \int_{x_a}^x F(x) dx$$

Physically the quantity

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

Represents K.E. K

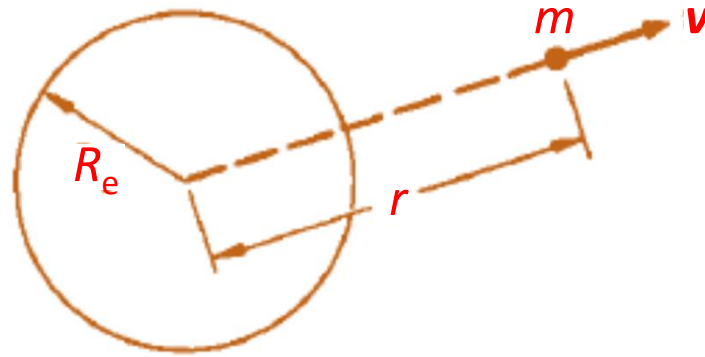
$$\Rightarrow K_b - K_a = \Delta K = \underbrace{\int_{x_a}^{x_b} F(x) dx}_{\text{Work done by the force on the particle as it moves from } x_a \text{ to } x_b} = W_{ba}$$

Work done by the force on the particle
as it moves from x_a to x_b

Above relation is known as *work-energy* theorem (in 1-D)

In SI units, work & energy is expressed in Joules; $1 \text{ J} = 1 \text{ kg-m}^2/\text{s}^2$

A mass m is shot vertically upward from the surface of the earth with an initial speed v_0 . Assuming that the only force is gravity, find its maximum altitude and escape velocity and also energy needed to eject A 100 kg spacecraft from the surface of earth



Gravity is an inverse square force field
force on m is

$$F = -G \frac{M_e m}{r^2}$$

Problem is equivalently 1-D in the variable r !

Let at $r = R_e$ Initial vel. of the particle is v_0

As per work-energy theorem,

$$K(r) - K(r_e) = \Delta K = \int_{R_e}^r F(r) dr$$

$$\Delta K = \frac{1}{2} m [v(r)^2 - v_0^2] = -GM_e m \int_{R_e}^r \frac{dr}{r^2}$$

$$= -GM_e m \frac{1}{r} \Big|_{R_e}^r = GM_e m \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{R_e} \right)$$

Naturally at the highest point,

$$v(r) = 0$$

\Rightarrow

$$v_0^2 = -\frac{2GM_e m}{m} \left(\frac{1}{r_{\max}} - \frac{1}{R_e} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_0^2 = 2GM_e \left(\frac{1}{R_e} - \frac{1}{r_{\max}} \right) = 2 \underbrace{\frac{GM_e R_e^2}{R_e^2}}_{=g} \left(\frac{1}{R_e} - \frac{1}{r_{\max}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_0^2 = 2gR_e^2 \left(\frac{1}{R_e} - \frac{1}{r_{\max}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow r_{\max} = \frac{R_e}{\left(1 - \frac{v_0^2}{2gR_e} \right)}$$

Escape velocity implies $r_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{v_{\text{escape}}^2}{2gR_e} \right) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_{\text{escape}} &= \sqrt{2gR_e} \\
 &= \sqrt{2 \times 9.8 \times 6.4 \times 10^6} \text{ m/s} \\
 &= \sqrt{1.25 \times 10^8} \\
 &= 1.1 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Energy reqd to eject 100 kg satellite:

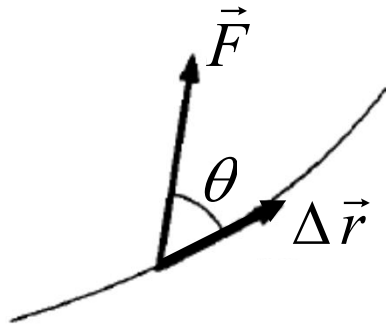
$$\begin{aligned}
 W &= \frac{1}{2} M v_{\text{escape}}^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (100) (1.1 \times 10^4)^2 = 6 \times 10^9 \text{ J}
 \end{aligned}$$

Generalization of the problem to find

$$m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \vec{F}(\vec{r})$$

Let us find out what happens when the particle moves through a short distance $\Delta \vec{r}$

If we assume that Δr is so small that effectively \vec{F} remains const.



$$\underbrace{\vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}} = m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}$$
$$\vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} = F \Delta r \cos \theta$$

For sufficiently small Δr , \vec{v} is approximately const.

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \vec{r} \approx \vec{v} \Delta t$$

Time reqd. to cover Δr

$$m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} = m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} \Delta t$$

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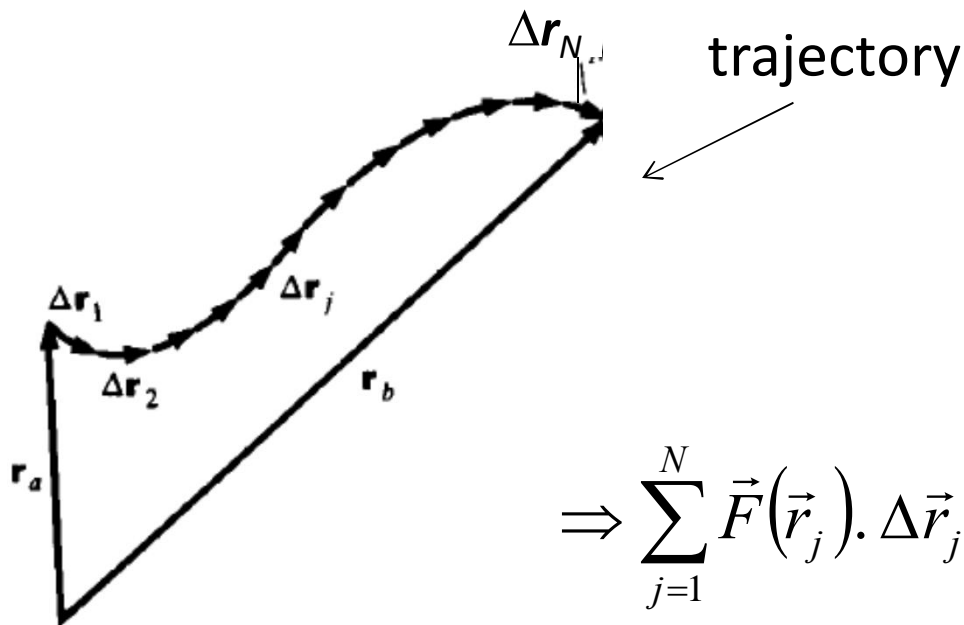
Use of the vector identity

$$\vec{v} \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (v^2)$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (v^2) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\vec{v} \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} + \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} \right) = \frac{1}{2} 2 \vec{v} \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \right.$$

will yield

$$\vec{F} \cdot \Delta\vec{r} = m \frac{dv}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} \Delta t = \frac{m}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (v^2) \Delta t$$



\mathbf{r}_a to \mathbf{r}_a divide into N short Segments'; for each segment we can write

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}_j) \cdot \Delta\vec{r}_j = m \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (v_j^2) \Delta t_j$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^N \vec{F}(\vec{r}_j) \cdot \Delta\vec{r}_j = \sum_{j=1}^N m \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (v_j^2) \Delta t_j$$

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In the limit of each segment $\rightarrow 0$ & no. of segment $\rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{r_a}^{r_b} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} &= \int_{t_a}^{t_b} \frac{m}{2} \frac{d}{dt} (v^2) dt \\ &= \frac{m}{2} v^2 \Big|_{v_a}^{v_b} = \frac{1}{2} m v_b^2 - \frac{1}{2} m v_a^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{\vec{r}_a}^{\vec{r}_b} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \frac{1}{2} m v_b^2 - \frac{1}{2} m v_a^2 : \text{is called line integral}$$

Recollect $v^2 = v_x^2 + v_y^2 + v_z^2$

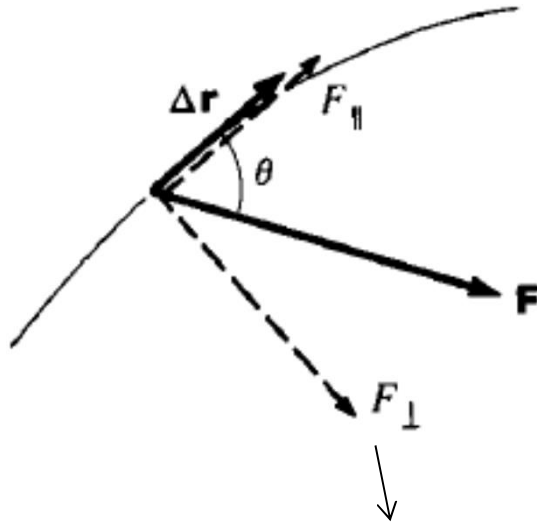
In 1-D, it was $v^2 = v_x^2$

$$\vec{F} = M \ddot{\vec{R}} = M \frac{dV}{dt}$$

$$V = \dot{\vec{R}} : \text{Vel of the center of mass}$$

$$\int_{\vec{R}_a}^{\vec{R}_b} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{R} = \frac{1}{2} M V_b^2 - \frac{1}{2} M V_a^2$$

Work-energy theorem



$$\Delta W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} = F \cos \theta \Delta r = F_{\parallel} \Delta r$$



Work done by the force in a small displacement



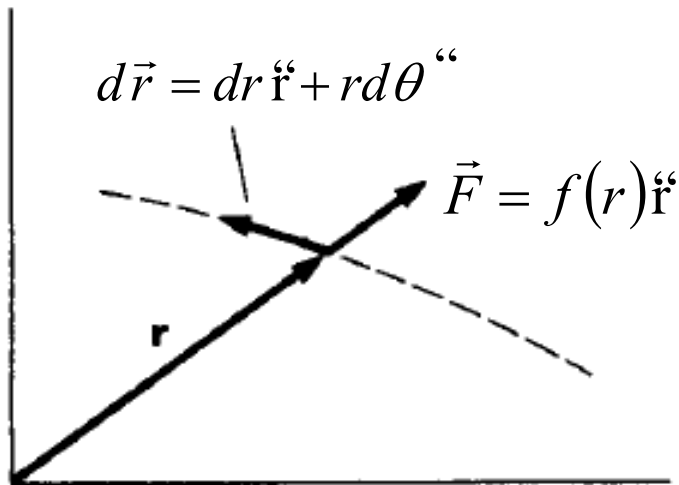
Perpendicular component does no work!

Work done for a finite displacement = sum of contributions from each ΔW from each segment of the path

If \mathbf{F} is the sum of several forces: $\vec{F} = \sum_i \vec{F}_i$

$$\Rightarrow (W_i)_{ba} = \int_{\vec{r}_a}^{\vec{r}_b} \vec{F}_i \cdot d\vec{r}$$

Work done by a central force \Rightarrow It is a function of r alone



$$W_{ba} = \oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b f(r)\hat{r} \cdot (dr\hat{r} + r d\theta\hat{\theta}) = \int_a^b f(r) dr$$

Work done depends only initial and final positions besides the functional dependence of $f(r)$ and not on the particular path

This is in contrast to force of sliding friction, where work done would be different for different paths