

Lab-Project 2 Slender Bar

The ends of a homogeneous slender bar (mass m , length ℓ) are guided in vertical and horizontal direction as shown in the sketch. The left end is connected to a spring (stiffness k) which is un-stretched when the elongation angle $\theta = 0$.

Neglecting friction, determine:

- the nonlinear motion equation of the bar via LAGRANGE method of 2nd kind,
- the equilibrium positions (all),
- the linearized motion equation respecting one nontrivial equilibrium position,
- the eigen-frequency ω of the small motions related to the chosen equilibrium position.
- the amplitude of the linearized motion for the given parameters and initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= 1.5 \text{ kg} \\ g &= 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2 \\ L &= 0.3 \text{ m} \\ k &= 100 \text{ N/m} \\ t_0 &= 0 \text{ [s]} \\ \theta(t_0) &= 0.25 \text{ [rad]} \\ \dot{\theta}(t_0) &= 0.1 \text{ [rad/s]} \end{aligned}$$

- the plot of time history $\theta(t)$ for $t \in [0 : 8\pi/\omega]$.

