

Derivation of Angle Force Field

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Angle Potential

$$U(\theta) = K[1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_0)]$$

$$\theta = \theta(\mathbf{r}_a, \mathbf{r}_b, \mathbf{r}_c) = \cos^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab} r_{bc}}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{ab} = \mathbf{r}_a - \mathbf{r}_b, \quad \mathbf{r}_{bc} = \mathbf{r}_b - \mathbf{r}_c$$

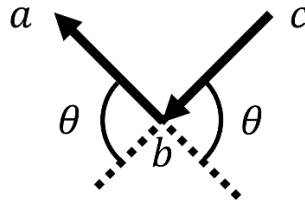


Figure 1. Schematic explanation of θ

Force field

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_a) = -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_a}, \quad \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_b) = -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_b}, \quad \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_c) = -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_c}$$

$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_a)$

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_a) = -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_a} = -\frac{dU}{d\theta} \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_a}$$

$$-\frac{dU}{d\theta} = -K \sin(\theta - \theta_0) = -K[\sin \theta \cos \theta_0 - \cos \theta \sin \theta_0]$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_a} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{ab}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_a} \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} = I \frac{d\theta}{d\chi} \frac{d\chi}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} = -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab} r_{bc}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{ab}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_a} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I$$

$$\therefore \chi = \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab} r_{bc}} = \cos \theta$$

$$\therefore \frac{d\theta}{d\chi} = \frac{1}{d\chi/d\theta} = -\frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} &= \frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}} \right) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}} = \left(I \frac{1}{r_{ab}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^3} \right) \cdot \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}} \\
\therefore \frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}} \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \frac{1}{r} + \mathbf{r} \frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}} \frac{1}{r} = I \frac{1}{r} - \frac{\mathbf{r}\mathbf{r}}{r^3} \\
\frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_a} &= -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^2} \cos \theta \right) \\
\therefore \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_a) &= -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_a} = +K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^2} \cos \theta \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_b)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_b) &= -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_b} = -\frac{dU}{d\theta} \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_b} \\
\frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_b} &= \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{ab}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_b} + \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_{bc}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_b} = -I \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} + I \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_{bc}} = -\frac{d\chi}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} \frac{d\theta}{d\chi} + \frac{d\chi}{d\mathbf{r}_{bc}} \frac{d\theta}{d\chi} \\
&= +\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}_{ab}} \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\mathbf{r}_{bc}} \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^2} \cos \theta \right) - \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}^2} \cos \theta \right) \\
\therefore \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_b) &= -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_b} \\
&= -K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^2} \cos \theta \right) \\
&\quad + K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}^2} \cos \theta \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_c)$

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_c) = -\frac{dU}{d\mathbf{r}_c} = -\frac{dU}{d\theta} \frac{d\theta}{d\mathbf{r}_c} = -K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}^2} \cos \theta \right)$$

Summary

$$\begin{aligned}
U(\theta) &= K[1 - \cos(\theta - \theta_0)] \\
\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_a) &= +K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^2} \cos \theta \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_b) &= -K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}^2} \cos \theta \right) \\
&\quad + K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}^2} \cos \theta \right) \\
\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}_c) &= -K[\cos \theta_0 - \cot \theta \sin \theta_0] \left(\frac{\mathbf{r}_{ab}}{r_{ab}r_{bc}} - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{bc}}{r_{bc}^2} \cos \theta \right)
\end{aligned}$$