# Homework 6

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## Problem 1

### 1a.

The Lagrangian for this system is given as

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^2 + q\dot{r} \cdot A - q\phi.$$

The only generalized position in the Lagrangian is r and generalized velocity is  $\dot{r}$ . r can be expanded into x, y, and z components but for the sake of simplicity r will just be left as r without any loss of information. Thus, the generalized momenta is

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \to p_r = m\dot{r} + q \cdot A.$$

The Hamiltonian can be found using the following equation

$$H(\dot{q}_i, p_i, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \dot{q}_i p_i - L(\dot{q}_i, p_i, t).$$

Plugging the generalized momenta back into the Hamiltonian the equation becomes

$$H(r, \dot{r}, t) = m\dot{r}^2 + q\dot{r} \cdot A - \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^2 + q\dot{r} \cdot A - q\phi$$

The Hamiltonian can be reduced by combining like terms as such

$$H(r, \dot{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{r}^2 + q\phi$$

Writing it in terms of our generalized momenta we can solve for  $\dot{r}$  in the generalized momentum equation. Plugging in the results for  $\dot{r}$  where  $\dot{r} = (p_r - q \cdot A)/m$ , gives us the Hamiltonian,

$$H(r, \dot{r}, t) = \frac{1}{2m} (p_r - q \cdot A)^2 + q\phi.$$

Writing it in this form is important since it allows us to since for Hamilton's equation of motion.

## 1b.

The canonical equations of motion for the Hamiltonian are given by

$$\dot{p_r} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} \to m\ddot{r} + q\dot{A}$$

and

$$\dot{r} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} \to \frac{1}{m} (p - q \cdot A).$$

We can rewrite the equation as

$$m\ddot{r} = -q\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial A}{\partial t}\right) + q\left[\dot{r}\left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A}{\partial y}\right) + \dot{r}\left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial A}{\partial z}\right)\right]$$

This can be further reduced to

$$m\ddot{r} = qE + q[\dot{r}(\nabla_r \times A)].$$

The equation of motion above will finally reduce to

$$m\ddot{r} = q[E + \dot{r} \times B].$$

### 1c.

We have the Hamiltonian as,

$$\dot{p_r} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} \to m\ddot{r} + q\dot{A}.$$

When the electric field and magnetic field are zero, that is E, B(r) = 0, the  $\phi$  component is also zero. Therefore, the Hamiltonian will reduce down to

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} |p_r - q \cdot A|^2.$$

Since we know that  $p_r = m\dot{r} + q \cdot A$ . We can plug this value into the Hamiltonian such that

$$H = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2m} |m\dot{r} - q \cdot A + q \cdot A|^2 \right] \to H = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2m} |m\dot{r}|^2 \right] \to \left[ \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2m} m^2 \dot{r}^2 \right] = 0.$$

Finally, we can set our velocity term  $\dot{r}^2 = v^2$  and one of our mass terms m will cancel out. What out time derivative tells us is that this equation of motion is constant, which leaves us with

$$\frac{d}{dt}\frac{mv^2}{2} = const.$$

## 1d.

The last problem had the  $q\phi$  term drop off since E = B(r) = 0. This problem has constant non negative terms where B = B(r) and  $E = E_0$ . Given the Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2m} |m\dot{r} - q \cdot A + q \cdot A|^2 + q\phi \right].$$

We can reduce it down like the last equation and set the differentials,

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2m} m^2 \dot{r}^2 + q \frac{d\phi}{dt} \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right] = 0.$$

This equation can reduce down to

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{2} m \dot{r}^2 + q \frac{d\phi}{dt} \dot{r} \right] = 0.$$

Like the previous equation we can set our velocity term  $\dot{r}^2 = v^2$  and we get

$$\frac{d}{dt}\frac{mv^2}{2} = q(E_0 \cdot \dot{r}).$$

## Problem 2

## 2a.

The Lagrangian that governs the system for a mass on a vertical rotating hoop is given in the form of

$$L = \frac{mR^2}{2}(\dot{\theta}^2 + \omega^2 sin^2(\theta)) + mgRcos(\theta).$$

The Hamiltonian can be found using the following equation

$$H(\dot{q}_i, p_i, t) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \dot{q}_i p_i - L(\dot{q}_i, p_i, t).$$

Since the Lagrangian is given above, the only missing information from the Hamiltonian is the generalized momenta. The generalized momenta is found using

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i}$$

The only generalized position in the Lagrangian is  $\theta$  and generalized velocity is  $\dot{\theta}$ . Therefore, the only generalized momenta for the Hamiltonian is

$$p_{\theta} = mR^2 \dot{\theta}.$$

Plugging the generalized momenta back into the Hamiltonian the equation becomes

$$H(\theta, \dot{\theta}, t) = mR^2 \dot{\theta}^2 - \frac{mR^2}{2} \left( \dot{\theta}^2 + \omega^2 \sin^2(\theta) \right) - mgR\cos(\theta)$$

The Hamiltonian can be reduced by combining like terms and writing it in terms of our generalized momenta as

$$H(\theta, \dot{\theta}, t) = \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2mR^2} - \frac{mR^2}{2} \left(\omega^2 sin^2(\theta)\right) - mgRcos(\theta).$$

The effective potential for this problem is  $U(\theta) = -mR^2/2(\omega^2 sin^2(\theta)) + mgRcos(\theta)$ . The final Hamiltonian equations becomes

$$H(\theta, \dot{\theta}, t) = \frac{p_{\theta}^2}{2mR^2} + U(\theta).$$

### 2b.

The canonical equations of motion for the Hamiltonian are given by

$$\dot{p_{\theta}} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \theta} \rightarrow -mR^2(\omega^2 sin(\theta)cos(\theta)) - mgsin(\theta)$$

and

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_{\theta}} \to \frac{p_{\theta}}{mR^2}.$$

What the canonical equations of the Hamiltonian tell us is that since  $p_{\theta} = mR^2\dot{\theta}$  then  $\ddot{p}_{\theta} = mR^2\ddot{\theta}$ . Substituting this into the equation above we get

$$mR^{2}\ddot{\theta} = -mR^{2}(\omega^{2}sin(\theta)cos(\theta)) - mgRsin(\theta)$$

This the equation of motion can be reduced into its final for of

$$\ddot{\theta} = (\omega^2 cos(\theta) - \frac{g}{R}) sin(\theta)$$

Now, if we are to look at the equilibrium conditions the  $cos(\theta)$  and  $sin(\theta)$  terms can tell a lot. If we set the equation of motion equal to zero since in the equilibrium condition say the acceleration is zero, then  $sin(\theta) = 0$  and  $cos(\theta) = g/(R\omega^2)$ .  $sin(\theta)$  is zero whenever  $\theta = 0$  or  $\theta = \pi$ , indicating the bead is either at the bottom of the hoop or the top of the hoop. As for  $cos(\theta)$  where the equilibrium points are  $\theta = \pi/2$  and  $\theta = -\pi/2$ .

#### 2c.

Based on the results from above we are plotting  $\theta$  vs the function  $U(\theta)$ . Since  $U(\theta)$  components are sinusoidal, we should expect to see some sort of sinusoidal plot. Furthermore, the system is at equilibrium when  $\theta$  is constant, leaving  $\dot{\theta} = 0$  and  $\ddot{\theta} = 0$ . Thus, the equilibrium condition is

$$sin(\theta)\left(-\omega^2cos(\theta) + \frac{g}{R}\right) = 0$$

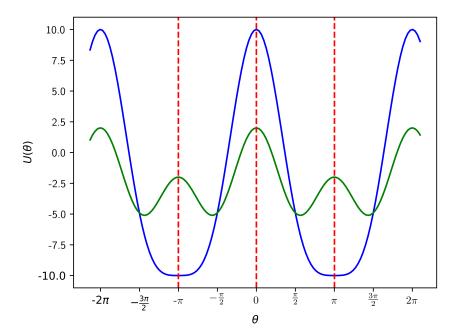
We are then left with two equilibrium points at  $\theta = 0$  when the bead is at the bottom of the hoop or  $\theta = \pi$  when the bead is at the top of the hoop as discussed in part b. Based on these two conditions we get the critical rotation rate is

$$\omega_c = \sqrt{\frac{g}{R}}.$$

In terms of the critical rotation the equilibrium condition becomes

$$U(\theta) = \omega^2 sin(\theta)cos(\theta) + \omega_c^2 sin(\theta).$$

Figure 1: Plot of  $\theta$  vs.  $U(\theta)$ .



There are two different plots in Figure 1. The blue line represents  $\omega^2 > g/R$  while the green plot shows that  $\omega^2 < g/R$ .

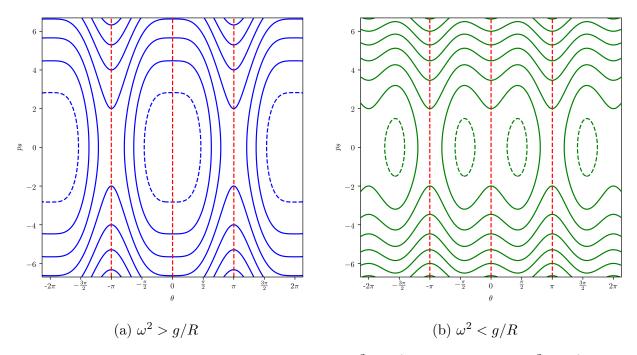


Figure 2: Phase plane charts where in figure a  $\omega^2 > g/R$  and in figure b  $\omega^2 < g/R$ .

Figure 1 compared to the two phase planes in Figure 2 show very similar trends. if we take the scenario where  $\omega^2 > g/R$  i.e. the blue plots, we see in Figure 1 that at  $\pi$  and  $-\pi$  the plot dips very low ans does not have a hump in it like the green plot. For the same reason the blue plot has a much larger amplitude to it. The blue plot in this case looks more like regular sinusoidal motion than the green plot. In the phase plane we see a dotted circle in the middle, in the green phase plane we see two dotted circles around  $\pi/2$  and  $\pi$ . We see that the green phase plane can never complete a circle a around 0. Starting clockwise, we see p is steady, decreases, is steady, and then increases. For the green phase plane going clockwise, it increases, decreases, increases, then decreases, increases again, and finally decreases. In Figure 1 we see the same trend in the blue plot going from  $-\pi$  to  $\pi$ . In the same range for the green plot, we see the same trend as just described. But the green plot varies more because of the hump at  $-\pi$  and  $\pi$ .

# **Appendix**

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1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 import matplotlib as mpl
5 #----- Variables -----
_{6} m = 1
_{7} R = 1
8 g = 9.81
9 omega = np.sqrt(g/R)
10 \text{ omega\_c\_1} = 10
omega_c_2 = 2
theta = np.arange(-6.7, 6.7, 0.1)
14 #----- Figure 1 -----
_{15} U = -(((m * (R ** 2))/2) * ((omega ** 2) * (np.sin(theta) ** 2))
      - (omega_c_1 * np.cos(theta)))
17
18 U1 = -(((m * (R ** 2))/2) * ((omega ** 2) * (np.sin(theta) ** 2))
      - (omega_c_2 * np.cos(theta)))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(6,4.5))
22 labels = ax.plot(theta, U, color='b', linestyle='-')
labels = ax.plot(theta, U1, color='g', linestyle='-')
pi = ax.axvline(x=3.145, color='r', linestyle='--')
zero = ax.axvline(x=0, color='r', linestyle='--')
26 neg_pi = ax.axvline(x=-3.145, color='r', linestyle='--')
27 #ax.legend([labels,neg_pi,zero,pi],bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc='upper
     left', borderaxespad=0.)
pmpl.rc('text', usetex = True)
30 plt.xticks([-2*np.pi, -3*np.pi/2, -np.pi, -np.pi/2, 0, np.pi/2, np.pi, 3*
     np.pi/2, 2*np.pi],
             [r'-\$2\pi\$', r'\$-\frac{3\pi}{2}\$', r'-\$\pi\$', r'\$-\frac{\pi}{2}
31
             '$0$', r'$\frac{\pi}{2}$', r'$\pi$', r'$\frac{3\pi}{2}$', r'$2\
32
     pi$'])
34 ax.set_xlabel(r'$\theta$')
ax.set_ylabel(r'$U(\theta)$')
plt.savefig('./plot_1.png', dpi=1200)
37 plt.show()
39 #----- Variables -----
_{40} m = 1
_{41} R = 1
42 g = 9.81
43 \text{ omega\_c\_1} = 10
_{44} \text{ omega\_c\_2} = 2
45 theta = np.arange(-6.7, 6.7, 0.01)
p = np.arange(-6.7, 6.7, 0.01)
47 Theta, P = np.meshgrid(theta, p)
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      ----- Figure 2
51 H = ((P ** 2)/(2*m*R**2) - ((m*R ** 2)/2) * (omega ** 2 * np.sin(Theta) **
      2)
      - omega_c_1 * np.cos(Theta))
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(6,6))
ax.contour(Theta, P, H, colors='blue')
pi = ax.axvline(x=3.145, color='r', linestyle='--')
zero = ax.axvline(x=0, color='r', linestyle='--')
neg_pi = ax.axvline(x=-3.145, color='r', linestyle='--')
60 mpl.rc('text', usetex = True)
61 plt.xticks([-2*np.pi, -3*np.pi/2, -np.pi, -np.pi/2, 0, np.pi/2, np.pi, 3*
     np.pi/2, 2*np.pi],
             [r'-$2\pi', r'$-\frac{3\pi}{2}$', r'-\pi', r'$-\frac{3\pi}{2}
     $',
             '$0$', r'$\frac{\pi}{2}$', r'$\pi$', r'$\frac{3\pi}{2}$', r'$2\
63
     pi$'])
64
ax.set_xlabel(r'$\theta$')
ax.set_ylabel(r'$p_{\theta}$')
plt.savefig('./phase_plane_1', dpi=1200)
68 plt.show()
70 #----- Figure 3 -----
71 H = ((P ** 2)/(2*m*R**2) - ((m*R ** 2)/2) * (omega ** 2 * np.sin(Theta) **
      - omega_c_2 * np.cos(Theta))
72
74 fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(6,6))
75 ax.contour(Theta, P, H, colors='green')
76 pi = ax.axvline(x=3.145, color='r', linestyle='--')
77 zero = ax.axvline(x=0, color='r', linestyle='--')
78 neg_pi = ax.axvline(x=-3.145, color='r', linestyle='--')
80 mpl.rc('text', usetex = True)
81 plt.xticks([-2*np.pi, -3*np.pi/2, -np.pi, -np.pi/2, 0, np.pi/2, np.pi, 3*
     np.pi/2, 2*np.pi],
             [r'-$2\pi$', r'$-\frac{3\pi}{2}$', r'-$\pi$', r'$-\frac{\pi}{2}
82
     $',
             '$0$', r'$\frac{\pi}{2}$', r'$\pi$', r'$\frac{3\pi}{2}$', r'$2\
83
     pi$'])
84
85 ax.set_xlabel(r'$\theta$')
86 ax.set_ylabel(r'$p_{\theta}$')
87 plt.savefig('./phase_plane_2.png', dpi=1200)
88 plt.show()
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Listing 1: Python Graphs