

SIMULATION | NUMERICAL SOLUTIONS FOR THE EULER-LAGRANGE EQUATION

In the following exercises, you will solve numerically the Euler-Lagrange equation for each generalized coordinate. Plotting these solutions, using the given initial conditions and within the given time ranges, you will be simulating the dynamics of these systems.

Use $|\vec{g}| = 9,81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ for the magnitude of the acceleration due to gravity.

Exercises marked with (*) have extra difficulty, don't hesitate to ask for help.

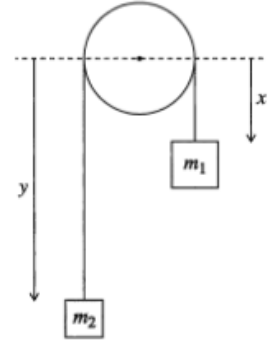
1. **Atwood machine**

Time from $t = 0 \text{ s}$ to $t = 10 \text{ s}$. Parameters and initial conditions:

$\ell_{\text{rope}} > 150 \text{ m}$, $R_{\text{pulley}} = 0,5 \text{ m}$,

$m_1 = 8 \text{ kg}$, $m_2 = 1 \text{ kg}$, $M_{\text{pulley}} = 4 \text{ kg}$,

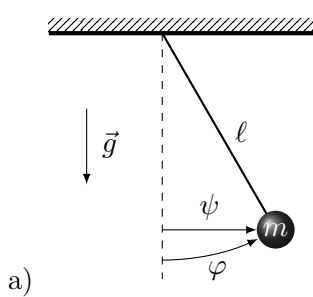
$x(t = 0) = 25 \text{ m}$, $\dot{x}(t = 0) = -10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$.



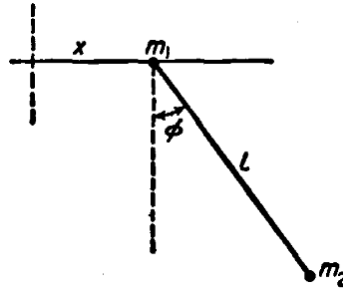
2. a) **Ideal pendulum** [Marion ex. 7.2]

b) **Pendulum with free support** [Landau §5 ex. 2]

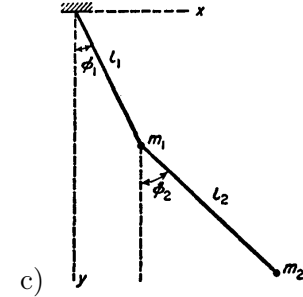
c) **Double pendulum** [Landau §5 ex. 1]



a)



b)



c)

Time from $t = 0 \text{ s}$ to $t = 10 \text{ s}$. Parameters and initial conditions:

(a) $m = 3 \text{ kg}$, $\ell = 2 \text{ m}$, $\varphi(t = 0) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, $\dot{\varphi}(t = 0) = 0$.

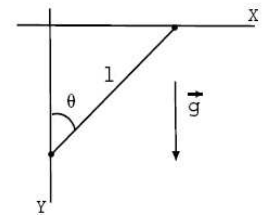
(b) $m_1 = 3 \text{ kg}$, $m_2 = 1 \text{ kg}$, $\ell = 2 \text{ m}$, $x(t = 0) = 1 \text{ m}$, $\dot{x}(t = 0) = 0,5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$, $\phi(t = 0) = \frac{\pi}{8}$, $\dot{\phi}(t = 0) = 0$.

(c) $m_1 = 3 \text{ kg}$, $m_2 = 1 \text{ kg}$, $\ell_1 = 1 \text{ m}$, $\ell_2 = 1 \text{ m}$,
 $\phi_1(t = 0) = \frac{\pi}{8}$, $\dot{\phi}_1(t = 0) = 0$, $\phi_2(t = 0) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, $\dot{\phi}_2(t = 0) = -\frac{\pi}{16} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

3. **Pendulum of linked beads moving on rigid thin wires**

Time from $t = 0 \text{ s}$ to $t = 10 \text{ s}$. Parameters and initial conditions:

$m_1 = m_2 = m = 2 \text{ kg}$, $\ell = 2 \text{ m}$, $\theta(t = 0) = \frac{\pi}{4}$, $\dot{\theta}(t = 0) = 0$.



4. (*) **Compound Atwood machine** [Marion ex. 7.8]

Time from $t = 0 \text{ s}$ to $t = 5 \text{ s}$. Parameters and initial conditions:

$\ell_{\text{top}} = 15 \text{ m}$, $R_{\text{top pulley}} = 0,5 \text{ m}$, $\ell_{\text{bottom}} = 15 \text{ m}$, $R_{\text{bottom pulley}} = 0,5 \text{ m}$,

$m_1 = 1 \text{ kg}$, $m_2 = 2 \text{ kg}$, $m_3 = 3 \text{ kg}$, $M_{\text{top pulley}} = 4 \text{ kg}$, $M_{\text{bottom pulley}} = 4 \text{ kg}$,

$y(t = 0) = 1 \text{ m}$, $\dot{y}_1(t = 0) = 0$, $y_2(t = 0) = 2 \text{ m}$, $\dot{y}_2(t = 0) = 0$

