

Grad Project Equations in MCEN 5115: Rotating Inverted Pendulum

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Normal Inverted Pendulum

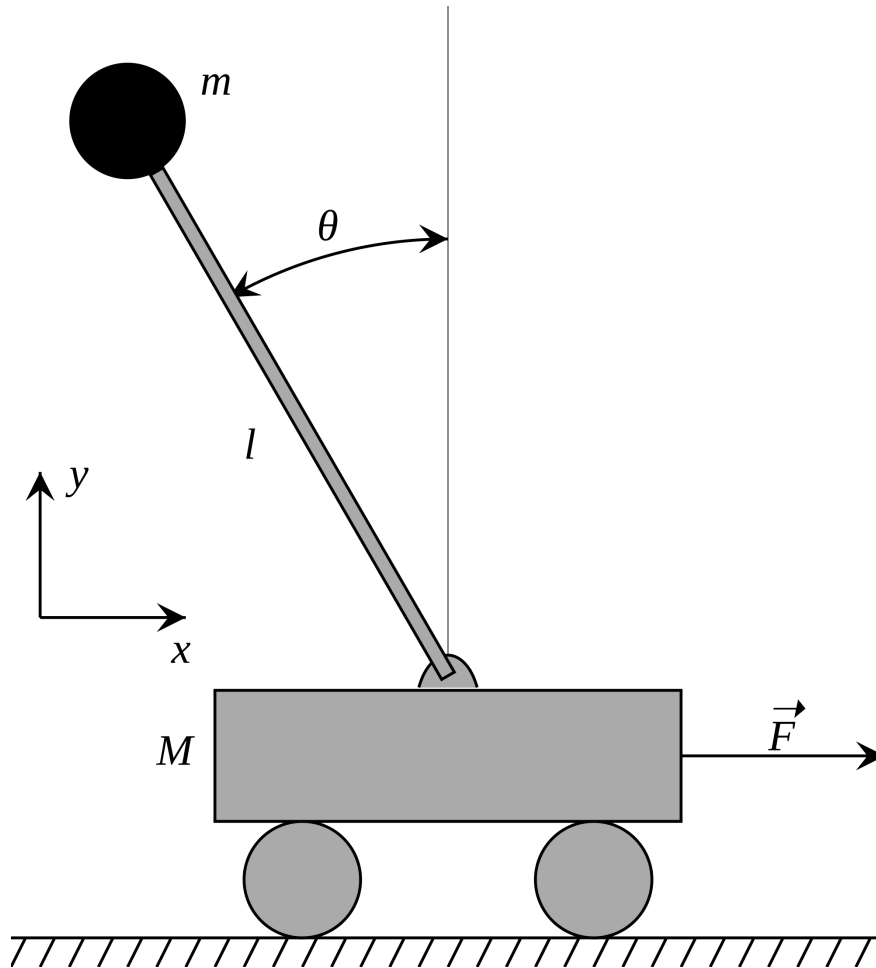


Figure 1: sup sup

Here we have the normal inverted pendulum equations for the image above:

$$(M + m)\ddot{x} - ml\ddot{\theta} + ml(\dot{\theta})^2 \sin(\theta) = F$$
$$l\ddot{\theta} - g \sin(\theta) = \ddot{x} \cos(\theta)$$

The x position for us is actually ω because we are spinning. Also, the input force isn't F . What we have is a torque $\tau = ||r|| ||F|| \sin(\theta)$. Given that the θ here is 90 degrees or 270 degrees, force can be equated to $F = \frac{\tau}{r}$.

Torque is some function of the motor current and the motor properties that we can put in later. We also note that $x = \omega * r$ and thus $\ddot{x} = \ddot{\omega}r$.

Thus our equations become:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\tau}{r} &= ml(\dot{\theta})^2 \sin(\theta) - ml\ddot{\theta} + (M + m)\ddot{\omega}r \\ \ddot{\omega}r \cos(\theta) &= l\ddot{\theta} - g \sin(\theta)\end{aligned}$$