

Title: Evaluation of Integrals and Calculus of Variations - Lecture 3

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Abstract:

Lec 4:

\* Functional derivatives in the presence of conditions; Lagrange multipliers

\* Functionals for continuous systems

## Calculus of Variations

Lec 3: \* Functionals of one and many variables, Euler-Lagrange equations

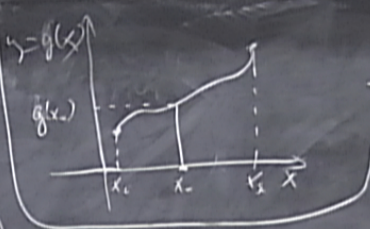
\* Lagrangian mechanics

\* Noether's theorem

\* Functional for continuous systems

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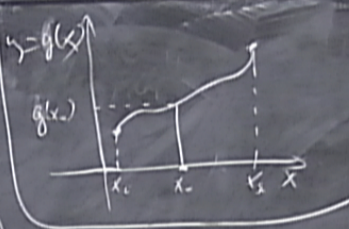
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 $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}$

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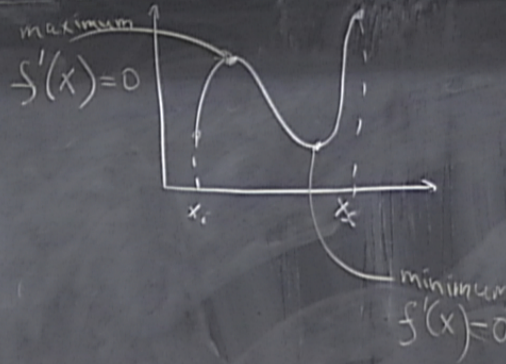
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We will consider

$$J[y] = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} dx f(x, y, y')$$



# Functional derivative

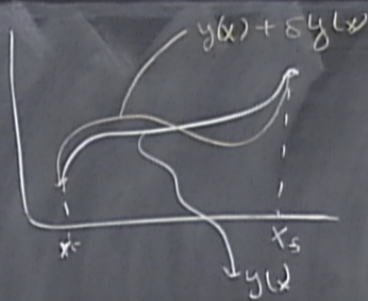
original function  $y(x)$

$$y(x) \rightarrow y(x) + \delta y(x)$$

$\delta y(x)$   
 $\equiv \eta(x)$

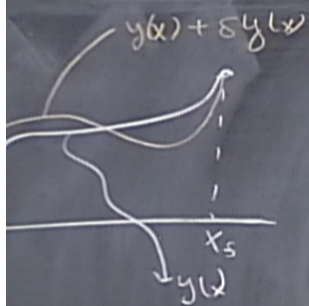
$$\delta y(x_i) = \delta y(x_f) = 0$$

fixed boundaries condition



The variation

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$$\delta J = J[y + \delta y] - J[y] = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \{ f(x, y + \delta y, y' + \delta y') - f(x, y, y') \} dx =$$

$$= \int_{x_0}^{x_1} dx \left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \delta y + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \delta y' + O(\delta y^2) \right\} =$$

$$= \left[ \delta y \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right]_{x_0}^{x_1} + \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \delta y \left\{ -\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right\} dx =$$

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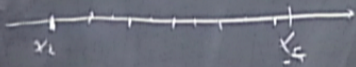


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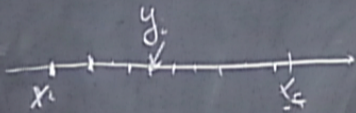


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$J = J[\{y_i\}]$

$$\delta J = \sum_i \frac{\partial J}{\partial y_i} \delta y_i \rightarrow \int_{x_i}^{x_f} dx \left( \frac{\delta J}{\delta y(x)} \right) \delta y(x)$$

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta y(x)} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y'} \right)$$

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Theorem.  $J[y]$  will be stationary under fixed points variations  $y(x) \rightarrow y(x) + \delta y(x)$ , if and only if  $\delta J / \delta y = 0$  for all  $x \in [x_i, x_f]$

$$dx \left( \frac{\delta J}{\delta y(x)} \right) \delta y(x)$$

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Euler-Lagrange equation

# Euler-Lagrange equation

Lagrangian Mechanics

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## Lagrangian Mechanics

$$S[x] = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \underbrace{L(x, \dot{x}, t)}_{\text{Lagrangian}} dt = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \left( \frac{m \dot{x}^2}{2} - V(x, t) \right) dt$$

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action

More generally

$$S[q_1, \dots, q_n, \dot{q}_1, \dots, \dot{q}_n] = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} L(q_1, \dots, q_n, \dot{q}_1, \dots, \dot{q}_n, t) dt$$

$q_i$ 's - generalized coordinates

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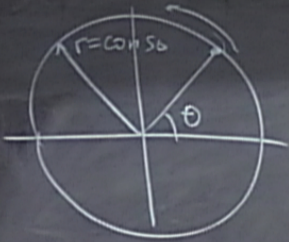
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$q_1, \dot{q}_1, \dots, q_n, \dot{q}_n, t) dt$





$$x = r \cos \theta$$
$$y = r \sin \theta$$

$$L = \left( \frac{m}{2} (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) \right) = \frac{m}{2} r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 = L(\dot{\theta})$$

$\theta$ -angular variable

$$\delta J = J[y + \delta y] - J[y] = \int \delta y(x) \left. \frac{\delta J}{\delta y(x)} \right|_{y=y_0(x)}$$

$y(x)$ -solution of the EL eqs

$$\delta J = J[y + \delta y] - J[y] = \int \delta y(x) \left. \frac{\delta J}{\delta y(x)} \right|_{y=y_0(x)} dx + \frac{1}{2} \iint \delta y(x_1) \delta y(x_2) \left. \frac{\delta^2 J}{\delta y(x_1) \delta y(x_2)} \right|_{y=y_0(x)} dx_1 dx_2 + \dots$$

$$\sum$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_i \frac{\partial^2 J}{\partial y_i \partial y_i} \delta y_i \delta y_i$$

all points  $x_1$  (indicated by a dashed vertical line)

all points  $x_2$  (indicated by a curved line)

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \iint \delta y(x_1) \delta y(x_2) \frac{\delta^2 J}{\delta y(x_1) \delta y(x_2)} \Big|_{y=y_0(x)} dx_1 dx_2 + \dots$$

$y_0(x)$  - solution of the EL eqs

