

Title: PSI 2016/2017 Explorations in Quantum Gravity - Lecture 4

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Abstract:

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(Noether's theorem)
see Tutorial 2.

$$L(q_i, \dot{q}_i) \xrightarrow{\text{Legendre transform}}$$

Canonical momenta

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

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q}_i(q_i, p_i)$$

$$(q_i, \dot{q}_i) \xleftrightarrow{\text{bijection}} (q_i, p_i)$$

$$\text{then } H(p_i, q_i) = p_i \dot{q}_i - L$$

The space of all pairs of p_i, q_i is called the phase space

$$S = \int (p_i \dot{q}_i - H(p_i, q_i)) dt$$

Define a symplectic structure

$$\text{Poisson bracket } \{q_i, p_i\} = 1$$
$$\{p_i, q_j\} = \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial q_j} \frac{\partial q_j}{\partial p_i} - \frac{\partial q_j}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial p_j}$$

The time evolution is defined as the flow of the Hamiltonian.

$$\begin{matrix} q_i(t) \\ p_i(t) \end{matrix} \quad \begin{cases} \dot{q}_i = \{q_i, H\} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} \\ \dot{p}_i = \{p_i, H\} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} \end{cases}$$

If constraints $p_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i}$ is not invertible $\Rightarrow \Psi_\alpha(p_i, q_i) = 0$

$$H = p_i \dot{q}_i - L + \lambda_\alpha \Psi_\alpha(p_i, q_i)$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m (v_1^2 + v_2^2) - \frac{1}{2} q_3 (q_1^2 + q_2^2 - r^2)$$

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Weakly.

Q2 $L = \frac{1}{2} m (v_1 + v_2)^2 - V(q_1 + q_2)$

$$Q_1 = q_1 + q_2$$

$$Q_2 = q_1 - q_2$$

• Primary constraint $\Psi = p_1 - p_2$

$$H = H_0 + u \Psi$$

$$\{\Psi, H\} = 0 \rightarrow \text{no more constraint}$$

What is the role of Ψ ? \rightarrow generate a symmetry.
Which kind of symmetry?

$$(p_1^2 + p_2^2)$$

flow
generated
by ψ in
the phase
space

$$\delta q_1 = u \{q_1, \psi\} = u$$

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} → learn
chem

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$$\psi \approx u \{ \psi, \psi \}$$

} → leave the "physical" quantities Q_1 invariant
changes the "internal" d.o.f Q_2 .

Distinction between constraints

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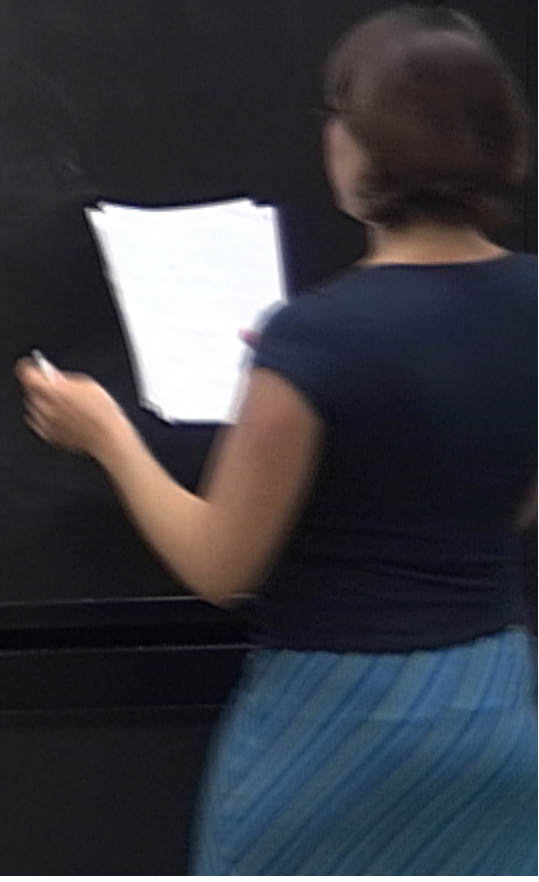
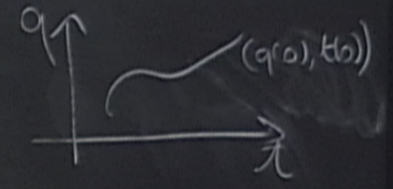
$$\hookrightarrow q(z) = q + \frac{p}{m}(z - t)$$

$L(q, \dot{q})$

new parameters
→
to mimic
background
noise.

$$S[q(t)] \rightarrow S_p[q(s), t(s)]$$

$$S_p[q, t] = \int \frac{1}{2} m \frac{\dot{q}^2}{t'} ds$$



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$$L = -t' p_t = \frac{p_q^2}{2m} t'$$

$$= t' p_t + t' \frac{p_q^2}{2m} = t' C \equiv \text{totally constrained.}$$

\uparrow
Lagrange multiplier