

Solutions - Midterm

1) a) $\nabla \cdot \underline{V}_P = 0$ from

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \dot{x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \dot{p} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial H}{\partial p} - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0$$

Local $\rho(x, p, t)$ conserved

i.e. $\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \underline{V}_P = 0$

b.) $\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 0$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} = 0$$

respectively. See L/L

i.e. LECOM $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) = \cancel{\frac{\partial L}{\partial x}} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt} P_x = 0$$

c.) $i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \Psi + V \Psi$

$$\Psi = A e^{iS/\hbar}$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2m} (\nabla S)^2 + V$$

Hamilton-Jacobi eqn,

d.) Virial Thm seeks to relate $E \langle T \rangle, \langle V \rangle$ by factors. Only possible if V homogeneous, so

$$\langle \underline{x} \cdot \nabla V / \partial \underline{x} \rangle = \alpha \langle V \rangle.$$

see L/L

$$e.) P_1 = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_1} = \dot{x}_1 + \frac{\dot{x}_2}{2}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}_2} = \dot{x}_2 + \frac{\dot{x}_1}{2}$$

$$\{P\} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

yes $\det M \neq 0$

f.) Trajectory fills surface.

Poincaré Recurrence Thm - finite system
yes

See above.

Ball around $\underline{x} \rightarrow$ arbitrarily small

Recurrence if $\underline{x} \in E$ then if

Motion iterated to all some point in ball will return within E of \underline{x} , eventually.

$$g.) P-C: \oint_{\text{exact}} p \cdot d\underline{x} = I_p$$

$$\text{Adiabatic: } \oint_{E, \lambda} p \cdot d\underline{x} = I \quad \text{at fixed } E, \lambda$$

h.) No.

Attractor is sink $\rightarrow \nabla \cdot \underline{V} \neq 0$
at sink,

$$i.) \gamma = \int_{\underline{x}_1, \underline{y}_1}^{\underline{x}_2, \underline{y}_2} d\underline{r} \cdot n(\underline{c})$$

$$= \int_{\underline{x}_1, \underline{y}_1}^{\underline{x}_2, \underline{y}_2} d\underline{x} \underbrace{[(1 + \underline{y}^2)^{1/2} n(\underline{c})]}_{L}$$

$$\delta \Gamma = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\underline{x}} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\underline{y}}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \underline{y}} = 0$$

etc.

j.) holonomic \rightarrow can express \underline{e}^p
 $f(\underline{x}) = 0$

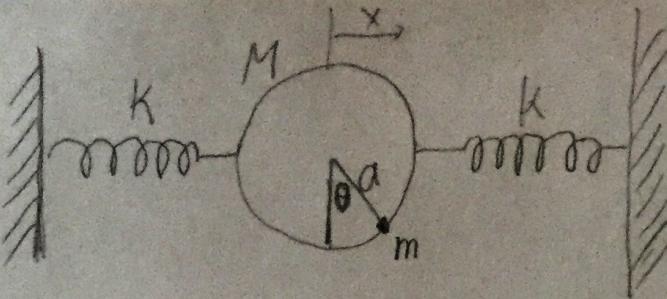
so

$$L \rightarrow L + \lambda f(\underline{x})$$

i.e. fall on circular ring

$$L = \frac{1}{2} m(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) - mg y + \lambda (x^2 + y^2 - R^2)$$

2.



(a)

$$V = \frac{1}{2}kx^2 + mga(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$K = k_M + k_m = \frac{1}{2}M\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\left[\underbrace{(\dot{x} + a\dot{\theta}\cos\theta)^2}_{\text{horizontal}} + \underbrace{a^2\dot{\theta}^2\sin^2\theta}_{\text{vertical}}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}M\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m\left(\dot{x}^2 + a^2\dot{\theta}^2 + 2a\cos\theta\dot{x}\dot{\theta}\right)$$

$$\boxed{L = \frac{1}{2}(M+m)\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}ma^2\dot{\theta}^2 + m a \cos\theta \dot{\theta}\dot{x} - \frac{1}{2}kx^2 - m g a (1 - \cos\theta)}$$

(b)

$$x: \frac{d\ddot{x}}{dt} = -2kx$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = (M+m)\dot{x} + ma\cos\theta\dot{\theta}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}\right) - \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial x}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow -2kx - (M+m)\ddot{x} - ma\cos\theta\ddot{\theta} + mas\sin\theta\dot{\theta}^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (M+m)\ddot{x} + ma\cos\theta\dot{\theta} = -2kx + mas\sin\theta\dot{\theta}^2 \quad \text{--- ①}$$

$$\theta: \frac{d\ddot{\theta}}{dt} = -mas\sin\theta\dot{x}\dot{\theta} - mgs\sin\theta$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = ma^2\dot{\theta} + ma\cos\theta\dot{x}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}}\right) - \frac{d}{dt}\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow -mas\sin\theta\ddot{x}\dot{\theta} - mgs\sin\theta\ddot{\theta} - ma^2\ddot{\theta} + mas\sin\theta\dot{\theta}^2 - ma\cos\theta\ddot{x} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ma\cos\theta\ddot{x} + ma^2\ddot{\theta} = -mgs\sin\theta \quad \text{--- ②}$$

By setting $\dot{x} = \ddot{x} = \dot{\theta} = \ddot{\theta} = 0$, one finds the equilibrium points

$$(x, \theta) = (0, 0) \text{ and } (x, \theta) = (0, \pi)$$

We can linearize EOM near $\theta = 0$ and $\theta = \pi$.

Let $\theta = 0 + \epsilon$

$$\text{EOM} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} (m+M)\ddot{x} + Ma\ddot{\epsilon} = -2kx \\ ma\ddot{x} + ma^2\ddot{\epsilon} = -mga\epsilon \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{cases} (1+r)\ddot{x} + ra\ddot{\epsilon} = -\Omega^2 x \\ \ddot{x} + a\ddot{\epsilon} = -v^2 a\epsilon \end{cases}} \quad (3)$$

$$r = \frac{m}{M}, \Omega^2 = \frac{2k}{M}, v^2 = \frac{g}{a}$$

Let $\theta = \pi + \Delta\theta$

$$\text{EOM} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} (m+M)\ddot{x} - Ma\ddot{\epsilon} = -2kx \\ -ma\ddot{x} + ma^2\ddot{\epsilon} = -mga\epsilon \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{cases} (1+r)\ddot{x} - ra\ddot{\epsilon} = -\Omega^2 x \\ -\ddot{x} + a\ddot{\epsilon} = -v^2 a\epsilon \end{cases}} \quad (4)$$

(c) Let's set $s = a\epsilon$. We can rewrite (3) and (4) in the matrix form:

$$M_{\pm} \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{s} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\Omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -v^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ s \end{pmatrix}, \quad M_{\pm} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+r \pm r \\ -1 \pm 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{s} \end{pmatrix} = -A_{\pm} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ s \end{pmatrix}}, \quad A_{\pm} = M_{\pm}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -\Omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & v^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Omega^2 \mp rv^2 \\ \mp \Omega^2 \pm (1+r)v^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

The eigenvalues of A_{\pm} are the squares of the eigenfrequencies.

$$\text{For } A_+, \omega_F^2 = \frac{\Omega^2 + (1+r)v^2 \pm \sqrt{[(\Omega^2 + (1+r)v^2)^2 - 4\Omega^2 v^2]}}{2} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{For } A_-, \omega_-^2 = \frac{\Omega^2 - (1+r)v^2 \pm \sqrt{[(\Omega^2 - (1+r)v^2)^2 + 4\Omega^2 v^2]}}{2} \quad (7)$$

Eq (6) is for $\theta \approx 0$. The RHS is always positive, so there are always two oscillation modes.

Eq (7) is for $\theta \approx \pi$. The RHS is positive if $\Omega^2 > (1+r)v^2$. Only one possible mode exists with $\omega_- = \left[\frac{\Omega^2(1+r)v^2 + \sqrt{(\Omega^2 - (1+r)v^2)^2 + 4\Omega^2 v^2}}{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

3. (a) Let the phase be $\Phi = \int \underline{k} \cdot d\underline{x} - \omega t$.
 The stationarity of Φ gives the ray equation

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \Phi &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \delta \int [\underline{k} \cdot d\underline{x} - \omega t] dt &= \delta \int [\underline{k} \cdot \dot{\underline{x}} - \omega] dt \\ &= \int [\delta \underline{k} \cdot \dot{\underline{x}} + \underline{k} \cdot \delta \dot{\underline{x}} - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \cdot \delta \underline{x} - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{k}} \cdot \delta \underline{k}] dt = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using $\delta \dot{\underline{x}} = \frac{d}{dt} \delta \underline{x}$ and integration by part

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \Phi &= \left. \underline{k} \cdot \delta \underline{x} \right|_{t_1}^{t_2} + \int [\delta \underline{k} \cdot \dot{\underline{x}} - \frac{dk}{dt} \cdot \delta \underline{x} - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \delta \underline{x} - \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{k}} \delta \underline{k}] dt = 0 \\ \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{k}} \\ \frac{dk}{dt} = -\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} \end{cases} & \end{aligned}$$

(b) For acoustic waves, $\omega^2 = c_s^2 k^2$

$$\Rightarrow \omega \partial \omega = c_s^2 \underline{k} \cdot \partial \underline{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial \omega = \underline{k} \cdot \partial \underline{k} C_s(x) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} = C_s(x) R$$

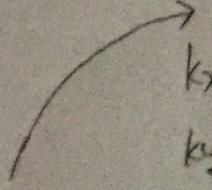
$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial \underline{x}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \underline{x}} [C_s(x) R]^{\frac{1}{2}} = R \frac{\partial C_s(x)}{\partial \underline{x}}, \text{ so } \boxed{\begin{aligned} \frac{d\underline{x}}{dt} &= C_s(x) R \\ \frac{dk}{dt} &= -R K \frac{\partial C_s(x)}{\partial \underline{x}} \end{aligned}}$$

If $C_s(x) = C_s(y)$

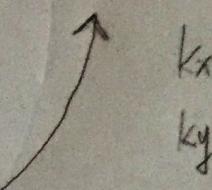
$$\frac{dk_x}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow k_x = \text{constant}$$

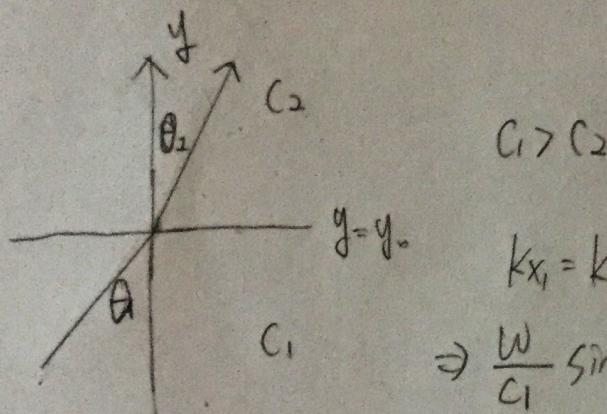
$$\frac{dk_y}{dt} = -\sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2} \frac{dC_s(y)}{dy}$$

If $\frac{d(c_s(y))}{dy} > 0$, k_y decreases with time

$\uparrow \hat{y}$ 
k_x conserves while
k_y decreases.

If $\frac{d(c_s(y))}{dy} < 0$, k_y increases with time

$\uparrow \hat{y}$ 
k_x conserves while
k_y increases



$$k_x = k_{x2} \Rightarrow k_1 \sin \theta_1 = k_2 \sin \theta_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{w}{c_1} \sin \theta_1 = \frac{w}{c_2} \sin \theta_2 \Rightarrow \frac{\sin \theta_1}{c_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_2}{c_2}$$

$$(c) \nabla^2 \psi + \frac{w^2}{c_s^2} \psi = 0 \quad \psi = A e^{i \frac{\phi}{\epsilon}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[-(\nabla \frac{\phi}{\epsilon})^2 A + \lambda \frac{\partial^2}{\epsilon} A + 2i \frac{\nabla A \cdot \nabla \phi}{\epsilon} + \nabla^2 A \right] e^{i \frac{\phi}{\epsilon}} = -\frac{w^2}{c_s^2(x)} A e^{i \frac{\phi}{\epsilon}}$$

$$\epsilon \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow (\nabla \frac{\phi}{\epsilon})^2 = \frac{w^2}{c_s^2} \xrightarrow{\text{Absorb } \epsilon \text{ to } \phi} (\nabla \phi)^2 = \frac{w^2}{c_s^2} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right)^2 = \frac{w^2}{c_s^2(x,y)}$$

(d) From 2D eikonal equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right)^2 = \frac{w^2}{c_s^2(x,y)}$$

by observing, if $\boxed{\frac{1}{c_s^2(x,y)} = \frac{1}{c_1^2(x)} + \frac{1}{c_2^2(y)}}$ then

$$\left[\left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \right)^2 - \frac{w^2}{c_1^2(x)} \right] + \left[\left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \right)^2 - \frac{w^2}{c_2^2(y)} \right] = 0 \quad \text{is separable.}$$

Let $\phi = \phi_1(x) + \phi_2(y)$, we obtain two 1st order ODEs

$$\begin{cases} \left(\frac{\partial \phi_1(x)}{\partial x} \right)^2 = \frac{w^2}{c_1^2(x)} \\ \left(\frac{\partial \phi_2(y)}{\partial y} \right)^2 = \frac{w^2}{c_2^2(y)} \end{cases}$$

4.) a) $\dot{k}/k < (k/m)^{1/2}$

b.) See WKB analysis, Class Notes
on Adiabatic Invariants, pg
4-7. With $\omega \equiv k/\sqrt{m}$, problem is
same.

c.) $I \sim E/\omega \sim \text{const}$

$$2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} k x^2 / \sqrt{k/m} \sim \text{const}$$

so

$$x^2 \sim t^2 / \sqrt{k}$$
$$x \sim t^{-1/4}$$

As k decreases, x increases $\sim k^{-1/4}$