

Math 678.
Lecture 25.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{u}_t + H(Du, x) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \\ u = g & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^n \times \{t=0\} \end{cases}$$

CE : $\begin{cases} \dot{p}(s) = -D_x H \\ \dot{x}(s) = D_p H \cdot p - H \\ \dot{p}(s) = D_{x_i} H \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x}(s) = D_p H \\ \dot{p}(s) = -D_{x_i} H \end{cases}$ Hamilton eqn:

$$I[w(\cdot)] := \int_0^t L(\dot{w}(s), w(s)) ds$$

Variational formulation: $\min_{w \in \mathcal{A}} I[w]$

Thm: If $x = \arg \min_{w \in \mathcal{A}} I[w]$ then

it satisfies Euler-Lagrange eqns:

$$-\frac{d}{ds} (D_v L(\dot{x}(s), x(s))) + D_x L(\dot{x}(s), x(s)) = 0 \quad 0 \leq s \leq t$$

Proof:

$y : [0, t] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad y(0) = y(t) = 0$ smooth curve

$$w(\cdot) = x(\cdot) + \tau y(\cdot), \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w(0) &= x(0) + \tau y(0) = y + \tau \cdot 0 = y \\ w(t) &= x(t) + \tau y(t) = x + \tau \cdot 0 = x \end{aligned} \Rightarrow w \in \mathcal{A}$$

$$\Rightarrow I[x] \leq I[w] \quad \text{since } x = \arg \min_{w \in \mathcal{A}} I[w]$$

$u(\tau) := I[x(\cdot) + \tau y(\cdot)]$ has a min at $\tau = 0$

$$\Rightarrow u'(\tau) = 0 \text{ when } \tau = 0. \quad u(\tau) = \int_0^t L(\dot{x}(s) + \tau \dot{y}(s), x(s) + \tau y(s)) ds$$

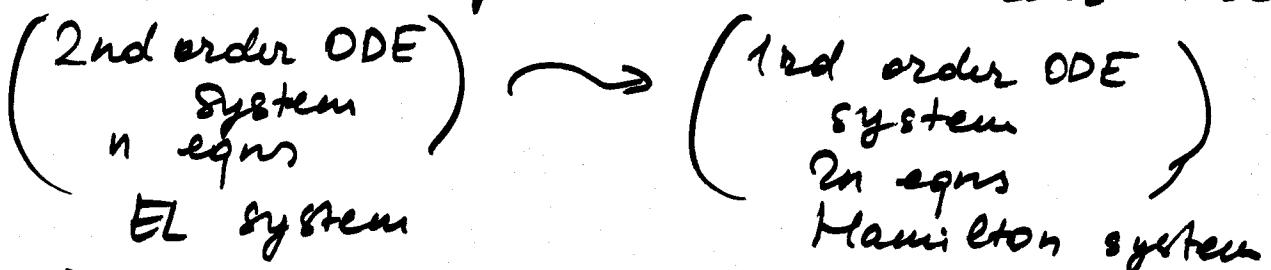
$$u'(\tau) = \int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^n (L_{v_i} \cdot \dot{y}_i(s) + L_{x_i} \cdot y_i(s)) ds$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \left(\frac{d}{ds} (L_{v_i}) + L_{x_i} \right) y_i(s) ds$$

$$0 = u'(0) = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \left[-\frac{d}{ds} L_{v_i}(\dot{x}(s), x(s)) + L_{x_i}(\dot{x}(s), x(s)) \right] y_i(s) ds$$

"." \Rightarrow EL eqns.

EL eqns characterize crit. pts, so that only minima of $I[w]$ satisfy these eqns. This is a system of n 2nd order ODEs.



~~Guess~~ Introduce variables $v(s) := D_w L(\dot{x}(s), x(s))$

Assume: this makes a solvable egn $\ddot{v} \in v$

$$P = D_v L(v, x) \Rightarrow v = V(p, x) \quad \forall p, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Def. $H(p, x) := p \cdot V(p, x) - L(V(p, x), x)$
Hamiltonian

Derivation of Hamilton eqns:

$$\text{We know: } P = D_v L$$

$$\dot{x}(s) = v(p(s), x(s))$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} H_{x_i} &= \sum_{k=1}^n p_k V_{x_i}^k(p, x) - L_{x_i} \cdot \cancel{V_{x_i}^k} - L_{x_i} \\ &= -L_{x_i}(p, x) \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} H_{p_i}(p, x) &= v^i(p, x) + \sum_{k=1}^n (p_k V_{p_i}^k - L_{v_k} \cdot \cancel{V_{p_i}^k}) \\ &= v^i(p, x) \end{aligned} \right.$$

In case of $L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{v}^2 - \varphi(x)$

$$p = L_v = \cancel{\frac{1}{2}m} v$$

$$v = \frac{p}{m} = V(p, x)$$

$$\Rightarrow H = p \cdot \frac{p}{m} - \frac{1}{2}m\dot{v}^2 + \varphi(x)$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2m} \cdot |p|^2}_{\text{kinetic}} + \underbrace{\varphi(x)}_{\text{potential}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\begin{cases} H_{p_i}(p, x) = \dot{x}_i(s) \\ H_{x_i}(p, x) = -\dot{p}_i(s) \end{cases}} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{1st order} \\ \text{Hamilton equations} \\ 2n \text{ eqns} \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{d}{ds} H(p, x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (H_{p_i} \cdot \dot{p}_i + H_{x_i} \cdot \dot{x}_i) = \sum_i (H_{p_i} H_{x_i} + H_{x_i} H_{p_i}) = 0$$

$$H = \text{const}$$

From now on: $H = H(p)$ so $H_{x_i} = 0$.

$$\begin{array}{l} (1) \quad L: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ convex} \\ (2) \quad \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} \frac{L(v)}{\|v\|} = +\infty \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow L^*(p) := \sup_{v \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{ p \cdot v - L(v) \} \\ \text{Legendre transform} \end{array} \right. \quad p \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Thm: (Convex duality of Hamiltonian & Lagrangian)

If L satisfies (1)-(2), take $H = L^*$ then

- (1) $H(p)$ is convex and $\lim_{\|p\| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{H(p)}{\|p\|} = \infty$
- (2) $L = H^*$

Corollary: \Leftrightarrow TFAE: $\begin{cases} p \cdot v = L(v) + H(p) \\ p = DL(v) \\ v = DH(p) \end{cases}$

Go back to Hamilton-Jacobi: $\begin{cases} u_t + H(Du) = 0 \\ u = g \end{cases}$

CE: $\begin{cases} \dot{p} = 0 & \text{in case } H = H(p) \\ \dot{x} = DH(p) \\ \dot{z} = DH(p) \cdot p - H(p) \end{cases}$

When smooth soln exists (locally) we have

$$\dot{z} = DH(p) \cdot p - H(p) = \dot{x} \cdot p - H(p) = L(\dot{x}) \Rightarrow$$

$$u(x, t) = \int_0^t L(\dot{x}(s)) ds + g(x(0))$$

Wanted: modification of this formula that works even when soln becomes non-smooth.

Change action functional: $\min_w \int_0^t L(w(s)) ds + g(w(0))$
initial
data

Define: $u(x, t) := \inf_{w \in C^1} \left\{ \int_0^t L(w(s)) ds + g(w(0)) \mid w(t) = x \right\}$

Hopf-Lax formula: $u(x, t) = \min_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ t L\left(\frac{x-y}{t}\right) + g(y) \right\}$