

Ans Importance of Lagrangian equation \rightarrow

The Newtonian and Lagrangian equation of motion are second order differential equations of motion of the system. When these equations are solved,

they describe the nature of motion. They have different approaches to formulation.

In Newtonian approach, we are concerned with the applied forces acting on the system. This produces acceleration in the system. The forces are due to external energy. These forces represent the cause of acceleration.

In Lagrangian approach, we consider the kinetic energy and potential energy of the system. The concept of forces does not enter the Lagrangian formulation. This is the difference between Newtonian and Lagrangian approach.

Since kinetic energy and potential energy are scalar quantities, therefore they are invariant under coordinate transformation. Another difference is that in some problems it is not possible to know all forces acting on the system. These forces are of constraints. These constraints are not removed in Newton's formula. But Lagrangian equation of motion is expressed in the form of generalised

Coordinate, Hence forces are constraints
are easily removed.

$$\frac{dq_j}{dt} = \dot{q}_j = \text{Generalised velocity.}$$

$$x \cdot = \frac{dx}{dt} = v$$

$$\therefore T = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \frac{1}{2} m x \cdot^2$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = m x \cdot = p_x = \text{Momentum}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = p_j = \text{Generalised momentum}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \dot{q}_j$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} - \frac{\partial T}{\partial q_j} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = p_j = \text{Generalised momentum}$$

$$\frac{dp_j}{dt} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} = 0$$

$$p_j - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \dot{p}_j$$

$\dot{q}_j = \text{Generalised velocity}$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = p_j = \text{Generalised momentum}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = \dot{p}_j = \text{Rate of change of Generalised momentum}$$

If Lagrangian of a system is explicitly independent of time.

i.e. For a conservative system

$$L = L(q_j, \dot{q}_j, t)$$

$$\therefore \frac{dL}{dt} = \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} \cdot \frac{dq_j}{dt} + \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \frac{d\dot{q}_j}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j + \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \ddot{q}_j$$

But from Lagrangian equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j}$$

Combining equation (i) and (ii) we have

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \sum_j \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j + \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dL}{dt} = \sum_j \frac{d}{dt} \left\{ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j \right\}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{dL}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{d}{dt} \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j - \frac{dL}{dt} = 0$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{d}{dt} \left[\sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j - L \right] = 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j - L = H$$

Where H is a constant ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾

or, $\sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j - L = H$ where H is called Hamiltonian of the system

$$\text{or, } H = \sum_j P_j \cdot \dot{q}_j - L(q_j, \dot{q}_j, t)$$

$$\therefore H = H(q_j, P_j, t)$$

Thus Hamiltonian of a system is function of generalised coordinate, generalised momenta and time.

$$\therefore \sum_j \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j - L = H$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} \cdot \dot{q}_j - L = H$$

$$\text{or, } \dot{q}_j \cdot \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} - L = H$$

From Euler's theorem,

$$\dot{q}_j \frac{\partial T}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = 2T$$

$$\therefore 2T - L = H$$

$$\text{or, } 2T - (T - V) = H$$

$$\therefore L = T - V$$

$$\text{or, } 2T - T + V = H$$

$$\therefore T + V = H$$

$$K.E + P.E = H \text{ (constant)}$$

Thus Hamiltonian of a system is total