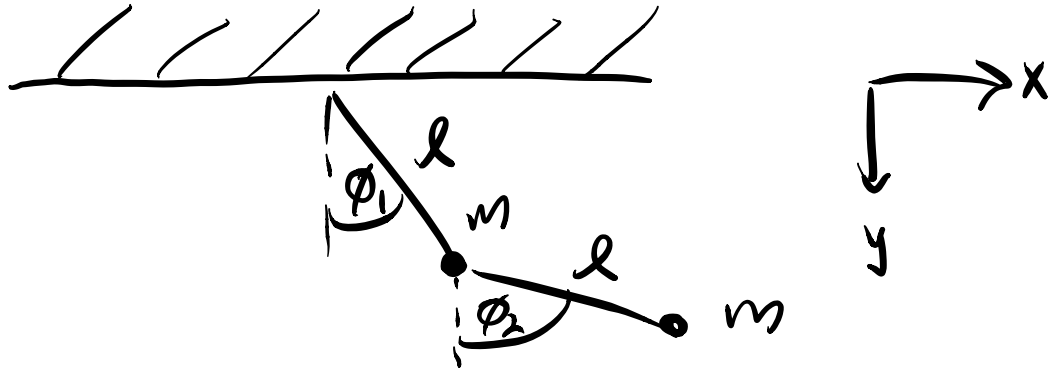


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We find the Lagrangian for the double pendulum parameterized as follows:



We first find the kinetic energy $T = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{\vec{r}}_1^2 + \dot{\vec{r}}_2^2)$, where \vec{r}_1 and \vec{r}_2 are the positions of the upper and lower blobs respectively.

$$\vec{r}_1 = l \sin \phi_1 \hat{x} + l \cos \phi_1 \hat{y}$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = \vec{r}_1 + l \sin \phi_2 \hat{x} + l \cos \phi_2 \hat{y} =$$

$$l (\sin \phi_1 + \sin \phi_2) \hat{x} + l (\cos \phi_1 + \cos \phi_2) \hat{y}.$$

It follows that

$$\dot{\vec{r}}_1 = l \cos \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 \hat{x} - l \sin \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 \hat{y} \Rightarrow$$

$$\dot{\vec{r}}_1^2 = l^2 (\cos^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2 + \sin^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2) = l^2 \dot{\phi}_1^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\vec{r}}_2 &= l (\cos \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 + \cos \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_2) \hat{x} - l (\sin \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 + \sin \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_2) \hat{y} \\ \Rightarrow \dot{r}_2^2 &= l^2 (\cos^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2 + 2 \cos \phi_1 \cos \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + \cos^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_2^2 + \\ &\quad \sin^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2 + 2 \sin \phi_1 \sin \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + \sin^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_2^2) = \\ &= l^2 (\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2). \end{aligned}$$

So, we have

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m l^2 (2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2).$$

Next, we find the potential energies, which are determined by the vertical coordinate:

$$\begin{aligned} U &= -mgy_1 - mgy_2 = -Mgl \cos \phi_1 - \\ &= mgl (\cos \phi_1 + \cos \phi_2) = -2mgl \cos \phi_1 - mgl \cos \phi_2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, our Lagrangian is given by

$$\boxed{L = \frac{1}{2} m l^2 (2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2) + 2mgl \cos \phi_1 + mgl \cos \phi_2}$$

We now find the equations of motion.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_1} &= \frac{1}{2} m l^2 (-2 \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2) - 2 m g l \sin \phi_1 \\ &= m l^2 \left(-\sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 - 2 \frac{g}{l} \sin \phi_1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}_1} = \frac{1}{2} m l^2 (2 \dot{\phi}_1 + 2 \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_2) \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}_1} &= m l^2 (2 \ddot{\phi}_1 - \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) (\dot{\phi}_1 - \dot{\phi}_2) \dot{\phi}_2 + \\ &\quad \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \ddot{\phi}_2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the Lagrange equation for ϕ_1 is given by

$$\begin{aligned} -\sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 - 2 \frac{g}{l} \sin \phi_1 &= \\ 2 \ddot{\phi}_1 - \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) (\dot{\phi}_1 - \dot{\phi}_2) \dot{\phi}_2 + \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \ddot{\phi}_2 & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi_2} &= \frac{1}{2} m l^2 \cdot 2 \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 - m g l \sin \phi_2. \\ &= m l^2 \left(\sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 - \frac{g}{l} \sin \phi_2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}_2} = \frac{1}{\lambda} m l^2 (\lambda \dot{\phi}_2 + \lambda \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1) =$$

$$m l^2 (\dot{\phi}_2 + \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}_2} = m l^2 \left[\ddot{\phi}_2 - \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) (\dot{\phi}_1 - \dot{\phi}_2) \dot{\phi}_1 + \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \ddot{\phi}_1 \right]$$

Thus, the Lagrange equation for ϕ_2 is given by

$$\sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 - \frac{g}{l} \sin \phi_2 =$$

$$\ddot{\phi}_2 - \sin(\phi_1 - \phi_2) (\dot{\phi}_1 - \dot{\phi}_2) \dot{\phi}_1 + \cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \ddot{\phi}_1$$