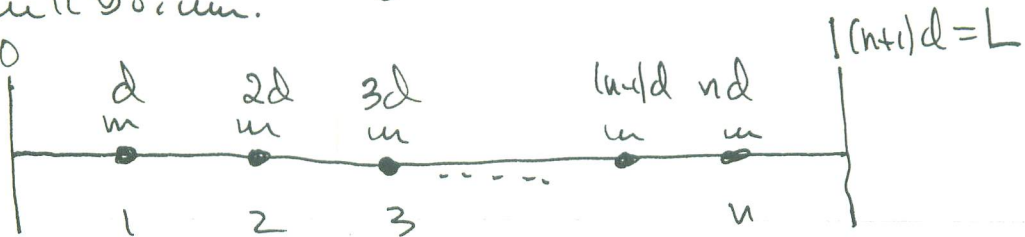


# Continuum Mechanics

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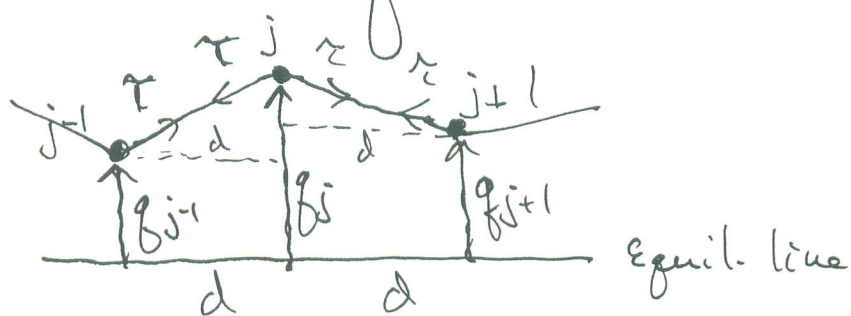
Vibrations of a String.

Next Consider the String. First we will consider an <sup>elastic</sup> string with  $n$ -masses  $m$  attached at equal distances  $d$  at equilibrium.



The fixed ends string has length  $L = (n+1)d$

We are interested in the small transverse oscillations about equilibrium as shown below



Let  $\tau$  be the tension force in the string which we will assume is constant for small oscillations. The "transverse" (vertical) displacements from the eq. line are denoted  $g_j$ . Hence the force on the  $j^{\text{th}}$  mass is

(i.e. since  $\tau \approx \text{const}$ )

$$F_j = -\tau \frac{(g_j - g_{j-1})}{d} - \tau \frac{(g_j - g_{j+1})}{d}$$

$g_0 = 0 = g_{n+1}$

which by N-2  $\Rightarrow$

$$m \ddot{g}_j = \frac{\tau}{d} [g_{j-1} - 2g_j + g_{j+1}]$$

i.e. nearest neighbor interactions - only adjacent particles

Could be otherwise -  $\frac{1}{2}kx$  force or such, but usually screened.

(Note: same force equation for longitudinal vibrations with  $q_j$  long. displacements and  $\frac{\kappa}{d} \rightarrow K = \text{spring constant}$ .)

As well we could use Lagrangian techniques: The potential energy for stretching the springs = work done to stretch springs

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa}{d} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} (q_{j-1} - q_j)^2$$

$$U = - \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{q}_j$$
  
$$\left( U = \sum_j^i q_j \right)$$
  
$$\frac{\kappa}{d} \left[ q_1^2 \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{b_{j-1}} - \frac{1}{b_j} \right) \right]$$
  
$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\kappa}{d} \left( \frac{1}{b_j} - \frac{1}{b_{j+1}} \right)^2 + \frac{\kappa}{d} \left[ \dots \right]$$

where  $q_0 \equiv 0 \equiv q_{n+1}$  the fixed ends of the string

Note  $F_j = - \frac{\partial}{\partial q_j} U = - \frac{\kappa}{2d} \frac{\partial}{\partial q_j} \left[ (q_{j-1} - q_j)^2 + (q_j - q_{j+1})^2 \right]$

$$= + \frac{\kappa}{d} (q_{j-1} - 2q_j + q_{j+1}) \checkmark$$

The kinetic energy is just

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m \sum_{j=1}^n \dot{q}_j^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \dot{q}_j^2$$

since  $q_{n+1} \equiv 0$ . Thus

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \left[ m \dot{q}_j^2 - \frac{\kappa}{d} (q_{j-1} - q_j)^2 \right]$$

Hence E-L equations  $\Rightarrow$  N-2

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_j} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_j} = 0 = + \frac{\tau}{d} (q_{j-1} - 2q_j + q_{j+1}) - m \ddot{q}_j$$

Again we look for oscillatory solutions:

$$q_j(t) = a_j e^{i\omega t} \quad ; \quad a_j \in \mathbb{C} \text{ have}$$

$$N-2 \Rightarrow -\frac{\tau}{d} a_{j-1} + \underbrace{\left(2\frac{\tau}{d} - m\omega^2\right)}_{\equiv \lambda} a_j - \frac{\tau}{d} a_{j+1} = 0$$

where  $j = 1, \dots, n$  and  $a_0 \equiv 0 \equiv a_{n+1}$ , the fixed ends.

This is a linear difference eq. we solve for eigenv.  $\omega_r$  as before


$$\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -\frac{\tau}{d} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ -\frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda & -\frac{\tau}{d} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & -\frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda & -\frac{\tau}{d} & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda & -\frac{\tau}{d} & 0 & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -\frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda & -\frac{\tau}{d} & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & -\frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

with  $\lambda \equiv 2\frac{\tau}{d} - m\omega^2$


So a sol. exists if the secular det. vanishes

$$\det \begin{vmatrix} \lambda - \frac{\tau}{d} & 0 & \dots \\ -\frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda - \frac{\tau}{d} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

To find this solution consider cases:

$n=1$    $(2\frac{\tau}{d} - m\omega^2)a_1 = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{\frac{2\tau}{md}}$

(just like spring with  $\frac{\tau}{d} \rightarrow \kappa$ ;  $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{2\kappa}{m}}$

$n=2$   we worked this out earlier

$$\begin{vmatrix} \lambda - \frac{\tau}{d} & \\ \frac{\tau}{d} & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - (\frac{\tau}{d})^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = m^2(\omega^2)^2 - 4\frac{m\tau}{d}(\omega^2) + 3\frac{\tau^2}{d^2}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{2\frac{\tau}{d} \pm \frac{\tau}{d}}{m}} \quad (\kappa = \frac{\tau}{d})$$

$$= \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{3\tau d}{m}} \\ \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{dm}} \end{cases}$$

as we found  $(\kappa_2 = \kappa)$   
 earlier  $\sqrt{\frac{3\kappa}{m}}, \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{m}}$

$$\psi_j \cdot H = a_j e^{i\omega t}$$

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For general  $n$  we need a more general method of solution.

justified Ansatz:  
or post facto

$$a_j = a e^{i(jx - \delta)} \quad \delta, x, a \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$NZ \Rightarrow -\frac{\tau}{d} e^{-i\delta} + (2\frac{\tau}{d} - m\omega^2) - \frac{\tau}{d} e^{i\delta} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{2\tau}{md} - \frac{\tau}{md} (e^{i\delta} + e^{-i\delta})$$

$$= \frac{2\tau}{md} (1 - \cos\delta)$$

$$\boxed{\omega^2 = \frac{4\tau}{md} \sin^2 \frac{\delta}{2}}$$

Now  $\det = 0$  is order  $n$  poly. for  $\omega^2$ ; hence we have  $n$ -solutions

$$\omega_r = 2 \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{md}} \sin \frac{\delta_r}{2} \quad ; r = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

and we must evaluate  $\delta_r$  &  $\delta_r$  in  $a_{jr}$  by apply BC that ends of string are fixed.

$$\text{So } a_{jr} = a_r e^{i(jx_r - \delta_r)}$$

or Real parts

$$\boxed{a_{jr} = a_r \cos(jx_r - \delta_r)}$$

Then

$$a_{0r} = a_{(n+1)r} \equiv 0$$

$$a_{0r} = 0 \Rightarrow \cos \delta_r = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\delta_r = \frac{\pi}{2}}$$

hence 
$$a_{jr} = a_r \cos(j\delta_r - \frac{\pi}{2})$$

$$= a_r \sin j\delta_r$$

and for  $j = n+1$

$$a_{j(n+1)r} \equiv 0 = a_r \sin(n+1)\delta_r$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$(n+1)\delta_r = s\pi \quad s = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\delta_r = \frac{s\pi}{n+1} \quad ; \quad s = 1, 2, \dots}$$

Since we must have  $n$ -distinct  $\omega_r$ 's  
~~for~~  $s = 1, \dots, n$ . Since then there is  
 a 1-1 relation between  $r$  &  $s$  let  $r = s$   
 in  $\delta_r \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{\delta_r = \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \quad r = 1, \dots, n}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{a_{jr} = a_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right)}$$

Now  $q_j$  is a superposition of these  $n$  ~~old~~ eigen solutions

$$q_j = \sum_{r=1}^n \beta'_r a_{jr} e^{i\omega_r t}$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n \beta'_r a_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) e^{i\omega_r t}$$

$$\equiv \beta_r$$

$$q_j = \sum_{r=1}^n \beta_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) e^{i\omega_r t}$$

with

$$\omega_r = 2\sqrt{\frac{\tau}{md}} \sin\left[\frac{r\pi}{2(n+1)}\right]$$

Agrees with  $n=1, 2$  case above. ✓  $\left( \begin{matrix} n=2 \\ \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1, \sin \frac{2\pi}{2} = 0 \end{matrix} \right)$

Note: a)  $r=0, n+1 \Rightarrow a_{jr} = 0$  null modes

b)  $r = n+2, n+3, \dots, 2n+1$   $\{a_{jr}\}$  same times  $(-1)$  as  $r=1, \dots, n$  (opposite order)

c)  $r = 2n+2$   $a_{jr} = 0$  null mode

d)  $r = 2n+3, 2n+4, \dots, 2n+(2+n)$   $\{a_{jr}\}$  same as  $\{a_{jr}\}$  So repeat null modes after  $r=1, \dots, n$

e) same if  $r < 0$ .

So indeed  $r=1, \dots, n$  unique  $n$ -modes

Now we can define the normal modes:

$$y_r(t) \equiv \beta_r e^{i\omega_r t}$$

so that

$$q_j(t) = \sum_{r=1}^{n+1} y_r(t) \sin \left[ j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right]$$

(replaces  $a_{jr}$  as previously)

Again the  $\beta_r$  are complex so take real part

real  $q_j(t) = \sum_r \sin \left[ j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right] (\mu_r \cos \omega_r t - \nu_r \sin \omega_r t)$

where

$$\beta_r \equiv \mu_r + i\nu_r.$$

Now we can relate  $\mu, \nu$  to initial conditions as before:

$$q_j(0) = \sum_r \mu_r \sin \left( j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right)$$

$$\dot{q}_j(0) = -\sum_r \omega_r \nu_r \sin \left( j \frac{r\pi}{n+1} \right)$$

Now we can exploit "orthogonality" of the  $a_{jr}$



Recall the math identity (trig)

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) \sin\left(j \frac{s\pi}{n+1}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2} \delta_{rs}$$

$r, s = 1, \dots, n.$

So mult. i.e. by  $\sin\left(j \frac{s\pi}{n+1}\right)$  &  $\sum_j$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n q_j(t) \sin\left(j \frac{s\pi}{n+1}\right) &= \sum_{\substack{r \\ \downarrow r}} \mu_r \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) \sin\left(j \frac{s\pi}{n+1}\right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{r \\ \downarrow r}} \frac{n+1}{2} \delta_{rs} \mu_r \\ &= \frac{n+1}{2} \mu_s \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\mu_s = \left(\frac{2}{n+1}\right) \sum_{j=1}^n q_j(t) \sin\left(j \frac{s\pi}{n+1}\right)$$

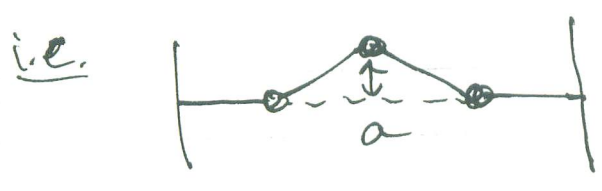
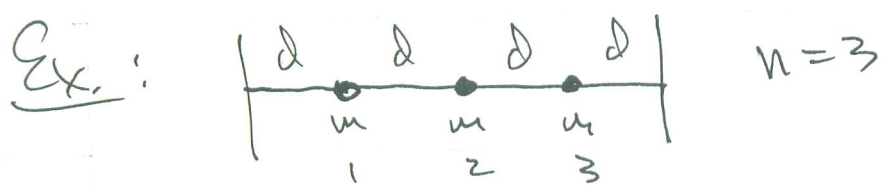
& likewise

$$\mu_s = -\left(\frac{2}{\omega_s(n+1)}\right) \sum_{j=1}^n \dot{q}_j(t) \sin\left(j \frac{s\pi}{n+1}\right)$$

Thus the complete descriptor of motion of the loaded string ~~is~~ is accomplished.

weel:

$$q_j(t) = \sum_{r=1}^n \sin\left[j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right] \left[ \left(\frac{2}{n+1}\right) \sum_{l=1}^n q_l(0) \sin\left(l \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) \cos \omega_r t + \left(\frac{2}{\omega_r(n+1)}\right) \sum_{l=1}^n \dot{q}_l(0) \sin\left(l \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) \sin \omega_r t \right]$$



$$q_1(0) = 0 = q_3(0)$$

$$q_2(0) = a$$

$$\dot{q}_1(0) = \dot{q}_2(0) = \dot{q}_3(0) = 0$$

⇒  $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3 = 0$

we

$$\mu_r = \left(\frac{2}{n+1}\right) \sum_{j=1}^n q_j(0) \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right)$$

n=3  $\mu_r = \frac{1}{2} a \sin\left(\frac{r\pi}{2}\right) ; r=1, 2, 3$

⇒  $\mu_1 = \frac{a}{2} ; \mu_2 = 0 ; \mu_3 = -\frac{a}{2}$

Now we need  $\sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{j}{4} r\pi\right)$  -11-

$$=$$

j \ r	1	2	3
1	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	1	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$
2	1	0	-1
3	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	-1	$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow q_i(t) = \sum_{r=1}^3 \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{4}\right) j_r \cos \omega_r t$$

$$\Rightarrow q_1(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} a (\cos \omega_1 t - \cos \omega_3 t)$$

$$q_2(t) = \frac{a}{2} (\cos \omega_1 t + \cos \omega_3 t)$$

$$q_3(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} a (\cos \omega_1 t - \cos \omega_3 t)$$

∴

$$\omega_r = 2 \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{md}} \sin \left[ \frac{r\pi}{8} \right] \quad r=1, 2, 3$$

~~∴~~

Although the loaded string is of interest per se, it is more useful in its limiting case to provide the dynamics for the Continuous string

Suppose we consider  $n \rightarrow \infty$  along with  $d, m \rightarrow 0$  such that  $(n+1)d = L = \text{constant length}$   
 $\frac{m}{d} = \rho = \text{constant density}$   
(linear mass density)

then let  $jd = x = \text{the distance along the continuous string}$

hence

$$q_j(t) = \sum_r \eta_r(t) \sin\left(j \frac{r\pi}{n+1}\right)$$
$$= \sum_r \eta_r(t) \sin\left(r\pi \frac{x}{L}\right) \quad \begin{matrix} x = jd \\ L = (n+1)d \end{matrix}$$

hence  $q_j(t) = q(x, t)$  becomes a function of  $x$

$$q(x, t) = \sum_r \eta_r(t) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$
$$= \sum_r \beta_r e^{i\omega_r t} \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

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Now recall there are  $n$ -particles, hence  $n$  normal modes ( $r=1, \dots, n$ ) and  $n$ -eigenfrequencies  $\omega_r$  hence the sums are for  $r=1, \dots, n \rightarrow \infty$  there are only many constants (i.e.) needed then Re & Im parts of  $\beta_r$  to specify the motion of a continuous string — this is nothing but specifying the initial functions  $g(x,0); \dot{g}(x,0)$ . So

once again  $\beta_r = \mu_r + i\nu_r$

$$g(x,0) = \sum_r \mu_r \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\dot{g}(x,0) = -\sum_r \omega_r \nu_r \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

So multiply by  $\sin\left(\frac{s\pi x}{L}\right)$  and  $\int_{x=0}^L dx$

and use the trig. identity

$$\int_0^L \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{s\pi x}{L}\right) dx = \frac{L}{2} \delta_{rs}$$

to obtain

$$\mu_r = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L dx g(x,0) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

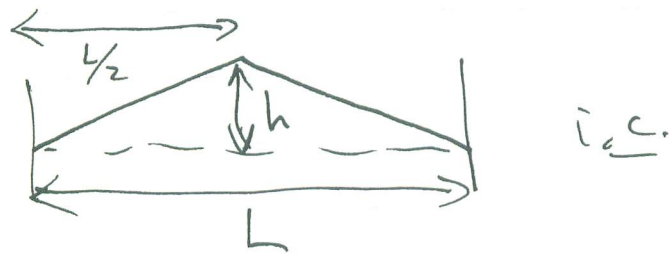
$$\nu_r = -\frac{2}{\omega_r L} \int_0^L dx \dot{g}(x,0) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

likewise

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_r &= 2 \sqrt{\frac{z}{md}} \sin \left[ \frac{r\pi}{2(n+1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{d} \sqrt{\frac{z}{\rho}} \sin \left( \frac{r\pi d}{2L} \right)\end{aligned}$$

as  $d \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ 

$$\omega_r = \frac{r\pi}{L} \sqrt{\frac{z}{\rho}}$$

Ex.i.c.

$$q(x,0) = \begin{cases} \frac{2h}{L}x & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{L}{2} \\ \frac{2h}{L}(L-x) & \frac{L}{2} \leq x \leq L \end{cases}$$

$$q(x,0) = 0 \Rightarrow v_r = 0$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_r &= \frac{2}{L} \frac{2h}{L} \int_0^{L/2} dx x \sin \left( \frac{r\pi x}{L} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{L} \frac{2h}{L} \int_{L/2}^L dx (L-x) \sin \left( \frac{r\pi x}{L} \right)\end{aligned}$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\mu_r = \frac{8h}{r^2\pi^2} \sin \frac{r\pi}{2}$$

So

$$\mu_r = \begin{cases} 0 & , r = \text{even} \\ \frac{8h}{r^2 \pi^2} (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}(r-1)} & , r = \text{odd} \end{cases}$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

real

$$g(x,t) = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \left[ \mu_r \cos \omega_r t \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) - \mu_r \sin \omega_r t \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{r=1,3,5,\dots}^{\infty} \frac{8h}{r^2 \pi^2} (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}(r-1)} \cos \omega_r t \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$g(x,t) = \frac{8h}{\pi^2} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \cos \omega_1 t - \frac{1}{9} \sin\left(\frac{3\pi x}{L}\right) \cos \omega_3 t + \dots \right]$$

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$$\omega_r = \frac{r\pi}{L} \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$


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Note: fundamental mode  $\omega_1$  & all odd harmonics are excited ( $\omega_3, \omega_5, \dots$ )

but no even harmonics are involved in the motion. This is because the initial displacement was symmetrical — so all subsequent motion must be symmetrical hence no even modes.

The string displacement is given in terms of the normal mode such as

$$q(x,t) = \sum_r \eta_r(t) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{at any time} \\ \text{Fourier series} \\ \text{with fixed} \\ \text{ends} \end{array} \right)$$

The normal coordinates are

the physical modes being the  $\text{Re part of } \eta_r$ .  
 $\eta_r(t) = \beta_r e^{i\omega r t}$   $\beta_r \in \mathbb{C}$  here

Now each "mass" particle  $\rho dx$  at position  $q(x,t)$  has KE

$$dT = \frac{1}{2} \rho dx (\dot{q}(x,t))^2$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \int_0^L \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} \right)^2 dx \quad \text{for the string's KE}$$

In terms of normal modes we have

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \int_0^L dx \left[ \sum_r \dot{\eta}_r \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \right] \left[ \sum_s \dot{\eta}_s \sin\left(\frac{s\pi x}{L}\right) \right]$$

but  $\int_0^L dx \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{s\pi x}{L}\right) = \frac{L}{2} \delta_{rs}$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \sum_r \dot{\eta}_r \sum_s \dot{\eta}_s \delta_{rs} \left( \frac{L}{2} \right)$$



$$T = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \rho \dot{\eta}_r(t)^2 \left(\frac{L}{2}\right)$$

Now the physical T we need  $\text{Re} \dot{\eta}_r$

$$\text{So } T = \frac{L}{2} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \rho [\text{Re} \dot{\eta}_r(t)]^2$$

$$\text{But } (\text{Re} \dot{\eta}_r)^2 = \left[ \text{Re} \frac{d}{dt} (\mu_r + i\nu_r)(\cos \omega_r t + i \sin \omega_r t) \right]^2$$

$$= [-\omega_r \mu_r \sin \omega_r t - \omega_r \nu_r \cos \omega_r t]^2$$

So KE of string is

$$T = \frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \omega_r^2 [\mu_r \sin \omega_r t + \nu_r \cos \omega_r t]^2$$

Now recall for the loaded string PE is

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tau}{a} \sum_{j=1}^n (q_{j-1} - q_j)^2$$

Taking the limit to obtain the continuous string we find

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \tau \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{q_{j-1} - q_j}{d} \right)^2 d \quad \text{as } d \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U = \frac{1}{2} \tau \int_0^L \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} \right)^2 dx$$

Again in terms of normal modes

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial x} = \sum_r \frac{r\pi}{L} \eta_r \cos\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$U = \frac{\tau}{2} \int_0^L dx \left[ \sum_r \frac{r\pi}{L} \eta_r \cos\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \right] \left[ \sum_s \frac{s\pi}{L} \eta_s \cos\left(\frac{s\pi x}{L}\right) \right]$$

but

$$\int_0^L dx \cos\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{s\pi x}{L}\right) = \frac{L}{2} \delta_{rs}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$U = \frac{\tau}{2} \sum_r \frac{r\pi}{L} \eta_r \underbrace{\sum_s \frac{s\pi}{L} \eta_s \frac{L}{2} \delta_{rs}}_{= \left(\frac{L}{2}\right) \frac{r\pi}{L} \eta_r}$$

$$= \frac{\tau}{2} \sum_r \frac{r^2 \pi^2}{L^2} \cdot \frac{L}{2} \eta_r \eta_r$$

but

$$\omega_r = \frac{r\pi}{L} \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\rho}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega_r^2 = \frac{r^2 \pi^2}{L^2} \frac{\tau}{\rho}$$

hence

$$U = \frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \omega_r^2 \eta_r^2$$

Again we need  $(\text{Re} \eta_r)^2$  in  $U \Rightarrow$

$$U = \frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \omega_r^2 [\mu_r \cos \omega_r t - \nu_r \sin \omega_r t]^2$$

Since ~~the~~ string forces are conservative (springs) the ~~total~~ total energy is a constant

$$E = T + U$$

$$= \frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \omega_r^2 (\mu_r^2 + \nu_r^2)$$

$$= \frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \omega_r^2 |\beta_r|^2$$

$E = \text{const}$  and a sum over contributions from each normal mode.

The Lagrangian in terms of Normal modes

yields

$$L = T - U \stackrel{\omega_r^2}{=} \frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \left[ (\dot{\eta}_r^2 - \mu_r^2) \cos 2\omega_r t + 2\mu_r \eta_r \sin 2\omega_r t \right]$$

$$\left( = -\frac{\rho L}{4} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} (\dot{\eta}_r)^2 \right).$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \rho \int_0^L \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \right)^2 dx - \frac{1}{2} \tau \int_0^L \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \right)^2 dx$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L dx \left[ \rho \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \tau \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right]$$

As before we can consider the Euler-Lag. equations for the string.

Of course we can express the Lagrangian in terms of normal coordinates  $\eta_r(t)$  (real now)

thus

$$L = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{4} \rho \dot{\eta}_r^2 - \frac{1}{4} \rho \omega_r^2 \eta_r^2 \right)$$

Hence E-L eq's  $\Rightarrow$

$$-\frac{L\rho}{2} \left[ \omega_r^2 \eta_r + \ddot{\eta}_r \right] = 0$$

Thus

$\sum_r^{\infty} \eta_r + \omega_r^2 \eta_r = 0$	for each mode $r$ with $\omega_r^2 = \frac{r^2 \pi^2}{L^2} \cdot \frac{\tau}{\rho}$
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This result can be more compactly expressed as a PDE: the wave equation for the continuous coordinate  $g(x,t)$ .

Recall (Recall)  $g(x,t) = \sum_r \eta_r(t) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$

So

$$\frac{\partial^2 g(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = \sum_r^{\infty} \ddot{\eta}_r(t) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$= -\sum_r \omega_r^2 \eta_r(t) \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

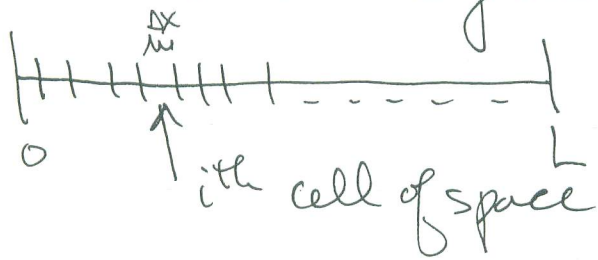
$$= -\frac{\tau}{\rho} \sum_r \eta_r(t) \frac{r^2 \pi^2}{L^2} \sin\left(\frac{r\pi x}{L}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 g(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\tau}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2 g(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\rho}{\tau} \frac{\partial^2 g(x,t)}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 g(x,t)}{\partial x^2}}$$

Wave eq. in one dimension

we could obtain this same result by expanding the  $q(x,t)$  in terms of discrete  $x_i$  : i.e. As  $\Delta$  the beginning



$$x = i\Delta x ; \quad q(x,t) \approx q(i\Delta x, t) \quad \text{for } x \in \text{i-th cell of space}$$

$$= q_i(t)$$

Then

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L dx \left[ \rho \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} \right)^2 - \tau \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right] = \int_0^L dx \mathcal{L}(q, \dot{q}, q')$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \Delta x \left[ \rho \dot{q}_i(t)^2 - \tau \left[ \frac{q_i - q_{i-1}}{\Delta x} \right]^2 \right]$$

$\mathcal{E}-\mathcal{L}ag \Rightarrow$

$$\Delta x \left( -\rho \ddot{q}_i(t) - \tau \frac{q_i - q_{i+1}}{\Delta x^2} + \tau \frac{q_{i+1} - q_i}{\Delta x^2} \right) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{(\rho \Delta x) \ddot{q}_i(t) - \left( \frac{\tau}{\Delta x} \right) (q_{i-1} - 2q_i + q_{i+1}) = 0}$$

Just our discrete equation:

$$\text{Now } \frac{\partial^2 q(x,t)}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\tau}{\Delta x} \left( \frac{q(x+\Delta x, t) - q(x, t)}{\Delta x} \right)$$

$$= \frac{q(x+2\Delta x) - q(x+\Delta x) - q(x+\Delta x) + q(x)}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{\delta^2 q(x,t)}{\delta x^2} = \frac{q_{i+1} - 2q_i + q_{i-1}}{\Delta x^2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  in the continuum

$$\rho \ddot{q}(x,t) = + \frac{\delta^2 q(x,t)}{\delta x^2}$$

likewise we know that

$$p_i(t) \equiv \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i(t)} = (\rho \Delta x) \dot{q}_i(t) = \Delta x \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i(t)}$$

Define the momentum density "field"

$$\begin{aligned} x \in i^{\text{th}} \text{ cell} \quad \pi(x,t) &\equiv \pi(x_i,t) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i(t)} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} p_i(t) \\ &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}(x,t)} = \rho \dot{q}(x,t) \end{aligned}$$

The Hamiltonian is

$$H = \sum_i [p_i \dot{q}_i] - L$$

$$= \sum_i \Delta x \left[ \frac{1}{\Delta x} p_i \dot{q}_i - \mathcal{L}_i \right] = \sum_i \Delta x \left[ \pi(x_i) \dot{q}(x_i,t) - \mathcal{L} \right]$$

$$= \int dx \mathcal{H}$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \pi(x,t) \dot{q}(x,t) - \mathcal{L}(q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q}) = \rho \dot{q}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \rho \dot{q}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \tau q'^2$$

So

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \left( p \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} \right)^2 + c \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L dx \left[ p \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial t} \right)^2 + c \left( \frac{\partial q}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right] = E.$$

Now consider the action

$$S = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt L = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_0^L dx \mathcal{L} = \int_{\Omega} d^2x \mathcal{L}$$

The Calculus of variations implies:

$$0 = \delta S = \int_{\Omega} d^2x \delta \mathcal{L} = \int dt \sum_i \Delta x \frac{1}{2} \left( p \delta \dot{q}_i(t)^2 - c \delta \left( \frac{q_i - q_{i-1}}{\Delta x} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$= \int dt \sum_i \Delta x \left[ p \dot{q}_i \delta \dot{q}_i - \frac{c}{\Delta x^2} (q_i - q_{i-1}) \delta (q_i - q_{i-1}) \right]$$

$$= \int dt \sum_i \left[ (p \Delta x) \ddot{q}_i + \frac{c}{\Delta x} (q_{i-1} - 2q_i + q_{i+1}) \right] \delta q_i = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{(p \Delta x) \ddot{q}_i - \left( \frac{c}{\Delta x} \right) (q_{i-1} - 2q_i + q_{i+1}) = 0}$$

Just E-L eq. again



In general the space derivatives become say

$$\frac{1}{2} \delta \left( \frac{q_i - q_{i-1}}{\Delta x} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{q_i - q_{i-1}}{\Delta x} \right) \delta \left( \frac{q_i - q_{i-1}}{\Delta x} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\delta q}{\delta x} \delta \frac{\delta q}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \left( \frac{\delta q}{\delta x} \delta q \right) - \frac{\delta^2 q}{\delta x^2} \delta q$$

as we found above

$$\delta S = \int dt \sum_i \left[ -p \ddot{q}_i + \frac{\tau}{\Delta x^2} (q_{i+1} - 2q_i + q_{i-1}) \right] \delta q_i$$

$$\rightarrow = \int dt dx \left[ -p \ddot{q}(x,t) + \tau q''(x,t) \right] \delta q(x,t)$$

$$= \int d^2x \left[ -\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \dot{q}} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta q'} \right] \delta q = 0$$

the E-L  
eq.

$$\boxed{\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta q(x,t)} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \dot{q}(x,t)} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta q'(x,t)} = 0}$$

Thus in general we view the calculus of Variations for functions of 2-variables

$$S = \int_{\Omega} dt dx \mathcal{L}(q(x,t), \dot{q}(x,t), q'(x,t))$$

Then

$$\delta S = \int_{\Omega} d^2x \delta \mathcal{L}$$

$$\delta S = \int_{\Omega} d^2x \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial g} \delta g + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mu g} \delta \mu g \right)$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} d^2x \left[ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial g} - \partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mu g} \right] \delta g + \partial_{\mu} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mu g} \delta g \right)$$

at boundary  $\delta g = 0$   
 $t_1, t_2$   
 $x = 0, L$

$$= \int_{\Omega} d^2x \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial g} - \partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mu g} \right) \delta g \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial g} - \partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \mu g} = 0 \right] \text{ eq.}$$

String  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \rho \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \tau \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \right)^2 \right]$

So  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial g} = 0$  &

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{g}} = \rho \frac{\partial g}{\partial t} \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x g} = -\tau \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_t \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{g}} + \partial_x \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x g} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \rho \ddot{g} - \tau g'' = 0 \right] \text{ the wave eq.}$$