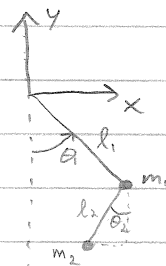


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Here we have a 2-D pendulum w/ masses m_1 and m_2 as well as massless/thin, rigid "strings" of lengths l_1 & l_2 . In cartesian, the positions of m_1 and m_2 are $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ respectively. Here are those coordinates in gen. coords. θ_1, θ_2 :



$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= l_1 \sin \theta_1 \rightarrow \dot{x}_1 = l_1 \cos(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1 & y_1 &= -l_1 \cos \theta_1 \rightarrow \dot{y}_1 = l_1 \sin(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1 \\ x_2 &= x_1 - l_2 \sin(\theta_2) = l_1 \sin \theta_1 - l_2 \sin \theta_2 \rightarrow \dot{x}_2 = l_1 \cos(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1 - l_2 \cos(\theta_2) \dot{\theta}_2 \\ y_2 &= y_1 - l_2 \cos(\theta_2) = -l_1 \cos(\theta_1) - l_2 \cos(\theta_2) \rightarrow \dot{y}_2 = l_1 \sin(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1 + l_2 \sin(\theta_2) \dot{\theta}_2 \end{aligned}$$

Then write the kinetic energies:

$$T_1 = \frac{1}{2} m_1 (l_1^2 \cos^2(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_1^2 \sin^2(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1^2) \Rightarrow T_1 = \frac{1}{2} m_1 l_1^2 (\dot{\theta}_1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_2 &= \frac{1}{2} m_2 (l_1^2 \cos^2(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2^2 \cos^2(\theta_2) \dot{\theta}_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \cos(\theta_1) \cos(\theta_2) \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \\ &\quad + l_1^2 \sin^2(\theta_1) \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2^2 \sin^2(\theta_2) \dot{\theta}_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \sin(\theta_1) \sin(\theta_2) \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m_2 (l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2^2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 (\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2 + \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2)) \end{aligned}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{1}{2} m_2 (l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2^2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2))$$

Now $T = T_1 + T_2$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} m_1 l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 [l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2^2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)] \quad \checkmark$$

we also must write the potential energies:

$$U = U_1 + U_2 = m_1 g y_1 + m_2 g y_2 = -m_1 g l_1 \cos \theta_1 - m_2 g (l_1 \cos \theta_1 + l_2 \cos \theta_2) \quad \checkmark$$

Finally:

$$L = T - U = \frac{1}{2} m_1 [l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + l_2^2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 + 2l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)] + m_1 g l_1 \cos \theta_1 + m_2 g [l_1 \cos \theta_1 + l_2 \cos \theta_2] + \frac{1}{2} m_1 l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 \quad \checkmark$$

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$$L = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 + m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \frac{1}{2} m_2 l_2^2 \dot{\theta}_2^2 + (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \cos \theta_1 + m_2 g l_2 \cos \theta_2$$

Now we have the formidable task of applying the Euler-Lagrange equations twice. First, for θ_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}_1} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_1} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[(m_1 + m_2) l_1^2 \dot{\theta}_1 + m_2 l_2 l_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \right] \\ &\quad - \left(-m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) - (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \sin \theta_1 \right) \\ &= (m_1 + m_2) l_1^2 \ddot{\theta}_1 + m_2 l_2 l_1 \ddot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_2 l_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \frac{d}{dt} [\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)] \\ &\quad + m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \sin \theta_1 \\ &= (m_1 + m_2) l_1^2 \ddot{\theta}_1 + m_2 l_2 l_1 \ddot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_2 l_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \dot{\theta}_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\ &\quad - m_2 l_2 l_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + (m_1 + m_2) g l_1 \sin \theta_1 \\ 0 &= (m_1 + m_2) \left[l_1^2 \ddot{\theta}_1 + g l_1 \sin \theta_1 \right] + m_2 l_2 l_1 \left[\dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \dot{\theta}_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \right] \\ 0 &= (m_1 + m_2) \left[l_1 \ddot{\theta}_1 + g \sin \theta_1 \right] + m_2 l_2 \left[\dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \dot{\theta}_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \right] \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Next for θ_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}_2} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_2} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_2^2 \dot{\theta}_2 \right] \\ &\quad - \left(m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) - m_2 g l_2 \sin \theta_2 \right) \\ &= m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 (-\sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)) \dot{\theta}_2 + \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \dot{\theta}_2^2 \\ &\quad + m_2 l_2^2 \ddot{\theta}_2 - m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 g l_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ &= m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) - m_2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\theta}_1^2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_2^2 \ddot{\theta}_2 + m_2 g l_2 \sin \theta_2 \\ 0 &= m_2 l_1 \dot{\theta}_1 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) - m_2 l_1 \dot{\theta}_1^2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + m_2 l_2 \ddot{\theta}_2 + m_2 g \sin \theta_2 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

no physical discussion (forces, momenta, etc)