

Alternative Classical Mechanics II

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The universal position $\mathring{\mathbf{r}}_a$, the universal velocity $\mathring{\mathbf{v}}_a$ and the universal acceleration $\mathring{\mathbf{a}}_a$ of a particle A relative to the universal reference frame \mathring{S} , are as follows:

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$$\mathring{\mathbf{v}}_a \doteq d(\mathbf{r}_a)/dt$$

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where \mathbf{r}_a is the position of particle A relative to the universal reference frame \mathring{S} .

The New Dynamics

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$$\text{Mass} \quad M \doteq \sum_i m_i$$

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$$\text{Angular Momentum} \quad \dot{\mathbf{L}} \doteq \sum_i m_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \dot{\mathbf{v}}_i$$

$$\text{Work} \quad \dot{W} \doteq \sum_i \int_1^2 \mathbf{F}_i \cdot d\mathbf{r}_i = \sum_i \Delta \frac{1}{2} m_i (\dot{\mathbf{v}}_i)^2$$

$$\text{Kinetic Energy} \quad \Delta \dot{K} \doteq \sum_i \Delta \frac{1}{2} m_i (\dot{\mathbf{v}}_i)^2$$

$$\text{Potential Energy} \quad \Delta \dot{U} \doteq \sum_i - \int_1^2 \mathbf{F}_i \cdot d\mathbf{r}_i$$

$$\text{Lagrangian} \quad \dot{L} \doteq \dot{K} - \dot{U}$$

The Principles of Conservation

If a system of N particles is isolated then the linear momentum $\dot{\mathbf{P}}$ of the system of particles remains constant.

$$\dot{\mathbf{P}} = \text{constant} \quad [d(\dot{\mathbf{P}})/dt = \sum_i m_i \dot{\mathbf{a}}_i = \sum_i \mathbf{F}_i = 0]$$

If a system of N particles is isolated then the angular momentum $\dot{\mathbf{L}}$ of the system of particles remains constant.

$$\dot{\mathbf{L}} = \text{constant} \quad [d(\dot{\mathbf{L}})/dt = \sum_i m_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \dot{\mathbf{a}}_i = \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i \times \mathbf{F}_i = 0]$$

If a system of N particles is only subject to conservative forces then the mechanical energy \dot{E} of the system of particles remains constant.

$$\dot{E} \doteq \dot{K} + \dot{U} = \text{constant} \quad [\Delta \dot{E} = \Delta \dot{K} + \Delta \dot{U} = 0]$$

The Transformations

The universal position $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_a$, the universal velocity $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_a$ and the universal acceleration $\hat{\mathbf{a}}_a$ of a particle A relative to a reference frame S, are given by:

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}}_a = \mathbf{r}_a - \mathbf{R}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_a = \mathbf{v}_a - \boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\mathbf{r}_a - \mathbf{R}) - \mathbf{V}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}}_a = \mathbf{a}_a - 2\boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\mathbf{v}_a - \mathbf{V}) + \boldsymbol{\omega} \times [\boldsymbol{\omega} \times (\mathbf{r}_a - \mathbf{R})] - \boldsymbol{\alpha} \times (\mathbf{r}_a - \mathbf{R}) - \mathbf{A}$$

where \mathbf{r}_a , \mathbf{v}_a and \mathbf{a}_a are the position, the velocity and the acceleration of particle A relative to the reference frame S. \mathbf{R} , \mathbf{V} and \mathbf{A} are the position, the velocity and the acceleration of the center of mass of the universe relative to the reference frame S. $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ and $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ are the angular velocity and the angular acceleration of the universe relative to the reference frame S.

The position \mathbf{R} , the velocity \mathbf{V} and the acceleration \mathbf{A} of the center of mass of the universe relative to the reference frame S, and the angular velocity $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ and the angular acceleration $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ of the universe relative to the reference frame S, are as follows:

$$M \doteq \sum_i^{all} m_i$$

$$\mathbf{R} \doteq M^{-1} \sum_i^{all} m_i \mathbf{r}_i$$

$$\mathbf{V} \doteq M^{-1} \sum_i^{all} m_i \mathbf{v}_i$$

$$\mathbf{A} \doteq M^{-1} \sum_i^{all} m_i \mathbf{a}_i$$

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} \doteq \mathbf{I}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{L}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} \doteq d(\boldsymbol{\omega})/dt$$

$$\mathbf{I} \doteq \sum_i^{all} m_i [|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}|^2 \mathbf{1} - (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}) \otimes (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R})]$$

$$\mathbf{L} \doteq \sum_i^{all} m_i (\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{R}) \times (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{V})$$

where M is the mass of the universe, \mathbf{I} is the inertia tensor of the universe (relative to \mathbf{R}) and \mathbf{L} is the angular momentum of the universe relative to the reference frame S.

General Observations

The alternative classical mechanics of particles presented in this paper is invariant under transformations between reference frames and can be applied in any reference frame without the necessity of introducing fictitious forces.

This paper considers that if all forces obey Newton's third law (in its strong form) then the universal reference frame \hat{S} is always inertial. Therefore, a reference frame S is also inertial when $\boldsymbol{\omega} = 0$ and $\mathbf{A} = 0$.

However, if a force does not obey Newton's third law (in its strong form or in its weak form) then the universal reference frame \hat{S} is non-inertial and the reference frame S is also non-inertial when $\boldsymbol{\omega} = 0$ and $\mathbf{A} = 0$.

Therefore, if a force does not obey Newton's third law (in its strong form or in its weak form) then the new dynamics and the principles of conservation are false.

However, this paper considers, on one hand, that all forces obey Newton's third law (in its strong form) and, on the other hand, that all forces are invariant under transformations between reference frames ($\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{F}$)

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Appendix

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$$\text{Angular Momentum} \quad \dot{\mathbf{L}} \doteq \sum_i m_i (\dot{\mathbf{r}}_i - \dot{\mathbf{r}}_{cm}) \times (\dot{\mathbf{v}}_i - \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{cm})$$

$$\text{Work} \quad \dot{W}' \doteq \sum_i \int_1^2 \mathbf{F}_i \cdot d(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_{cm}) = \sum_i \Delta 1/2 m_i (\dot{\mathbf{v}}_i - \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{cm})^2$$

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$$\check{\alpha}_S \doteq d(\check{\omega}_S)/dt$$

where \mathbf{F}_0 and \mathbf{F}_1 are the resultant forces acting on the reference frame S in the points 0 and 1, \mathbf{r}_0 and \mathbf{r}_1 are the positions of the points 0 and 1 relative to the reference frame S and m_s is the mass of particle S (the point 0 is the origin of the reference frame S and the center of mass of particle S) (the point 0 belongs to the axis of dynamic rotation, and the segment 01 is perpendicular to the axis of dynamic rotation) (the vector $\check{\omega}_S$ is along the axis of dynamic rotation) (M is the mass of the universe)

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