

UNIT - IV

HAMILTON'S EQUATION.

1: Hamilton's principle

Definition:-

Stationary values of functions: - 32

Consider a function $f(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)$ is assumed to be continuous through the second order partial derivatives.

The first variation of 'f' at the reference point q_0 is

$$\delta f = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 \delta q_i \longrightarrow (1)$$

where the δq 's are the variations in the individual q 's and can be considered as virtual displacement.

The necessary and sufficient condition that f , having a stationary value at q_0 is that $\delta f = 0$, for all geometrical possible δq 's where $q = q_0 + \delta q \longrightarrow (2)$

For the case in which the δq 's are independent and reversible

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 = 0 \longrightarrow (3) \quad \forall i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

consider the 2nd variation of the function f about the stationary point q_0 we have,

$$\delta^2 f = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 \delta q_i \delta q_j \longrightarrow (4)$$

take

$$k_{ij}^0 = \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial q_i \partial q_j} \right)_0 \longrightarrow (5)$$

forms the elements of the symmetric the matrix
 If k is +ve definite then q_0 is the local minimum.
 k is -ve definite q_0 is the local maximum.
 If k is indefinite q_0 is a saddle point.

Constrained Stationary values:

Let us consider the condition necessary for a stationary values of the functions $f(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)$ subject to the independent constraint equation $\phi_j(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n) = 0$ for $j=1, 2, \dots, m$.

Where we assume that ϕ 's are continuous through 1st and 2nd order partial derivatives.

Since the necessary and sufficient condition that have stationary value at q_0 is $\delta f = 0$ (or)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 \cdot \delta q_i = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where the reference configuration q_0 satisfy the eqn (6). The δq 's are no longer independent but conform to the m equation.

$$\delta \phi_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial q_i} \right) \cdot \delta q_i = 0, \quad j=1 \text{ to } m.$$

Note:

Since δq 's are not independent $\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial q_i} \right) = 0$ no longer apply. It is possible using eqn (6) eliminate m q 's in favour of the remaining $(n-m)$ q 's and find this stationary values of the resulting constrained function.

Using Lagrange's Multipliers Method: (3)

To problems involving constraints maxima or minima is to consider a prevariation of an argument function.

$$F = F[q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m]$$

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$$+ \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \phi_j(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n)$$

if n q 's and m λ 's are independent variables the necessary and sufficient condition for F to be stationary

$$\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 = 0, \quad i = 1 \text{ to } n \text{ and}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_j} \right)_0 = 0, \quad \forall j = 1 \text{ to } m$$

is equivalent to

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \left(\frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 \right\} \cdot \delta q_i = 0$$

$$f \cdot \phi_j \Rightarrow F = f + \sum \lambda \phi_j$$

$$\delta F = \delta f + \sum \lambda_j \delta \phi_j$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial q_i} \right) \cdot \delta q_i = 0$$

$$f + \sum \lambda_j \delta \phi_j = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \right) \delta q_i + \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial q_i} \right) \delta q_i$$

Since λ is arbitrary we can find a set of n λ 's such that the co-efficient of each δq_i is zero.

$$\Rightarrow \left[\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \left(\frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial q_i} \right)_0 \right] = 0$$

Problem: - (X) 5M. (30)

Find the stationary value of a function $f(x, y, z) =$

$x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ subject to the constraints.

$$\phi(x, y, z) = x + y + z - 1 = 0.$$

Solution:

since the problem has only one constraint

(i.e) Lagrange's multiplier's $F = f + \lambda \phi$.

$$F = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + \lambda(x + y + z - 1)$$

(0-coordinates contains a stationary values.

(i.e) the condition are stationary values are

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow 2y + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = 0 \Rightarrow 2z + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow z = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \Rightarrow x + y + z - 1 = 0 \rightarrow (4)$$

Substitute (1), (2), (3) in (4)

$$\text{Equation (4)} \Rightarrow x + y + z - 1 = 0$$

$$\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2}\right) + \left(-\frac{\lambda}{2}\right) + \left(-\frac{\lambda}{2}\right) - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{-\lambda - \lambda - \lambda}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{-3\lambda}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow \lambda = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Substitute $\lambda = -\frac{2}{3}$ in (1), (2), (3) we get

$$(1) \Rightarrow x = -\frac{\lambda}{2} = -\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow y = -\frac{\lambda}{2}, y = \frac{1}{3} \quad (\because \lambda = -\frac{2}{3})$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow z = -\frac{\lambda}{2}, z = \frac{1}{3}$$

\therefore The stationary value are $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$.

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Find the stationary values of a function $f(x, y, z) = z$ subject to the constraints.

$$\phi_1(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\phi_2(x, y, z) = xy - 1 = 0$$

Solution:

This is corresponding to finding the highest and lowest points as the curve formed by the intersection

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sphere and a hyperbolic cylinder.

The augmented function F is given by $f + \lambda_1 \phi_1 + \lambda_2 \phi_2$.

$$z + \lambda_1 (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4) + \lambda_2 (xy - 1)$$

the condition for stationary values are

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow 2x\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 y = 0 \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow 2y\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 x = 0 \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = 0 \Rightarrow 1 + 2z\lambda_1 = 0 \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_1} = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 4 = 0 \rightarrow (4), \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda_2} = xy - 1 = 0 \rightarrow (5)$$

Equation (1) $\times y \Rightarrow 2xy\lambda_1 + y^2\lambda_2 = 0 \rightarrow (A) \quad (6)$

From equation (5) $\Rightarrow xy = 1$

$$2\lambda_1 + y^2\lambda_2 = 0$$

$$y^2 = \frac{-2\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}$$

Equation (2) $\times x \Rightarrow 2xy\lambda_1 + x^2\lambda_2 = 0$

Put $xy = 1$

$$2\lambda_1 + x^2\lambda_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{-2\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} \rightarrow (7)$$

Equation (6) and (7), becomes $\Rightarrow x^2 = y^2$

Equation (5) $\Rightarrow xy = 1$

$$x^2 y^2 = 1 \quad (\text{put } y^2 = x^2)$$

$$x^4 = 1$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

Similarly $\Rightarrow xy = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow y^4 = 1, \therefore y = \pm 1$

Equation (4) $\Rightarrow x = \pm 1$ & $y = \pm 1$ then $1 + 1 + z^2 - 4 = 0$

$$z^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow z^2 = 2$$

$$z = \pm \sqrt{2}$$

\therefore The stationary points are $(1, 1, \sqrt{2}), (-1, -1, \sqrt{2}), (1, 1, -\sqrt{2}), (-1, -1, -\sqrt{2})$.

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The first two points are constrained maximum of f . The other 2 point are constrained minimum of f .

The Lagrangian Multipliers are.

$$\text{Equation (3)} \Rightarrow 1 + 2z\lambda_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -\frac{1}{2z}$$

$$\lambda_1 = \pm \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$(4) \Rightarrow 2\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0$$

$$\lambda_2 = -2\lambda_1$$

$$\lambda_2 = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Find the stationary values of definite integral (or) derived Euler's - Lagrange's equation: (2)

10M. Proof:

Let us find the stationary value of definite integral

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(y(x), y'(x), x) dx \rightarrow (1)$$

where $y'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx}$ & $f(y, y', x)$ has

two continuous derivative in each of its argument and the limit x_0, x_1 are fixed.

Now we have to find the function $y^*(x)$ which the stationary value of I as compared to its value other neighbouring function.

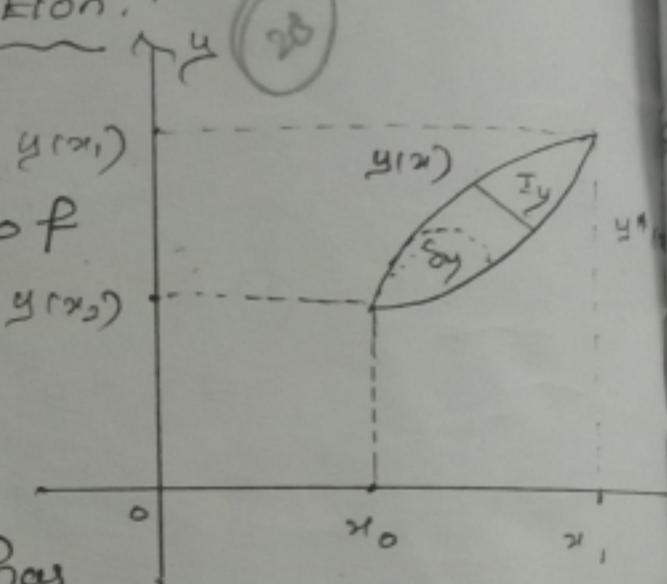
$$\text{Thus we have } y(x) = y^*(x) + \delta y(x) \rightarrow (2)$$

where $\delta y(x)$ is the small variation in y . It is convenient to represent δy in the form $\delta y = d\eta(x) \rightarrow (3)$

where η is the arbitrary function having the required smoothness and α is a parameter independent of x .

Hence for any given $\eta(x)$ we can consider the varied curve y be a function of α and x .

$$\therefore y(\alpha, x) = y^*(x) + \alpha \eta(x) \rightarrow (4)$$



make the additional assumptions the variation $\delta y = 0$ at the end points of x_0 and x_1 which gives

$$\delta \eta(x_0) = 0 \quad \& \quad \delta \eta(x_1) = 0.$$

$$(i.e) \quad \eta(x_0) = 0 \quad \& \quad \eta(x_1) = 0 \rightarrow (5)$$

integral that, integral I is a function of α for any $\eta(x)$.

Thus a necessary condition that $y^*(x)$ results in a stationary value of I , variation $\delta I = 0$.

$$(or) \quad \delta f = 0 \quad , \quad \delta I = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{dI}{d\alpha} \right)_{\alpha=0} \delta \alpha = 0$$

Since x_0 and x_1 are independent of α .

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(y, y', x) dx$$

$$\therefore \frac{dI}{d\alpha} = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{dy}{d\alpha} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \cdot \frac{dy'}{d\alpha} \right) dx = 0$$

$$= \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \eta(x) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} (\eta'(x)) \right) dx = 0$$

$$\frac{dI}{d\alpha} = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \eta(x) dx + \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \eta'(x) dx = 0 \rightarrow (6)$$

Consider the 2nd integral

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \eta'(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} d(\eta(x))$$

$$= \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \eta(x) \right]_{x_0}^{x_1} - \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \eta(x) \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) dx$$

$$= - \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \eta(x) \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) dx \rightarrow (7) \quad [\text{using (5)}]$$

Equation (6) & (7) becomes

$$\Rightarrow \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \eta(x) dx - \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \eta(x) \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) dx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) \right] \eta(x) dx = 0$$

Since $\eta(x)$ is an arbitrary.

\Rightarrow The necessary condition for the integral to be zero that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

For any curve $y = y^*(x)$.

Equation (8) is known as "Euler's Lagrange's equation".

State and Prove Brachistochrone Problem using Calculus of Variation:

Statement: (x_1, y_1) to (x_2, y_2)

For the curve going two point along which is a particle starting from rest and sliding down the curve without friction under the influence of the uniform gravitational force will reach the end of the curve in a minima of a time.

Proof:

Take the stationary point as the origin 'o'. Ox in the direction of gravitational force. Let Oy in the horizontal in the plane of motion.

Let (x_1, y_1) be the another given point where the particle and with the motion. Let v be the velocity of the particle at time t . Let (x, y) be the position at the time t and it is the co-ordinate then the kinetic energy $T = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$ & the potential energy $P = -mgx$.

By the principle of conservation of energy = kinetic energy (T) + potential energy (P) = E (constant)

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} m v^2 - mgx = c \quad (\because v=0, x=0) \\ = 0 \quad (\text{at origin } o)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} m v^2 = m g x$$

$$v^2 = 2 g x, \quad v = \sqrt{2 g x} \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

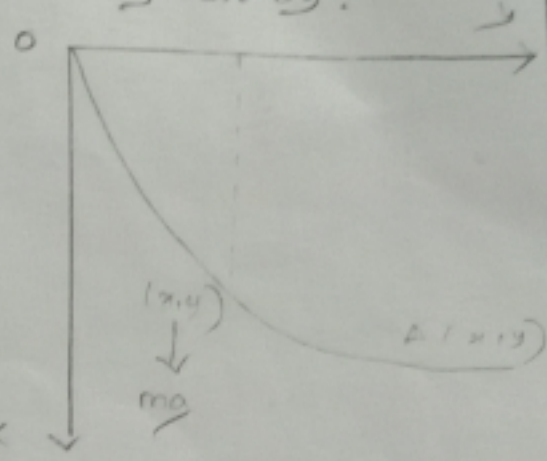
we know that,

$$\frac{ds}{dt} \rightarrow (2) \text{ (rate of change of displacement)}$$

(e) the length of the arc the part is given by.

$$\frac{ds}{dx} = \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}$$

$$ds = \sqrt{1 + y'^2} dx \quad \rightarrow (3)$$



$$t = \int \frac{ds}{v} \Rightarrow t = \int \frac{ds}{\sqrt{2gx}}$$

$$t = \int_0^x \frac{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}{\sqrt{2gx}} dx \quad I = \int f(y, y', x) dx$$

$$\frac{df}{dy} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$$

since the time equal to reach the point x, y , is

$$t = \int_0^x \frac{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}{\sqrt{2gx}} dx$$

Thus we have, $f(y, y', x) = \frac{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}{\sqrt{2gx}}$.

For minimum value for the corresponding the stationary value. Hence by Euler Lagrange equation,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} \right) = 0 \quad \rightarrow (4)$$

Now, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 0$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y'} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2gx}} \cdot \left(+\frac{1}{2} \right) (1+y'^2)^{-1/2} \cdot (2y'y'') = \frac{y'y''}{\sqrt{2gx} \sqrt{1+y'^2}}$$

$$\text{Equation (4)} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{y'y''}{\sqrt{2gx} \sqrt{1+y'^2}} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{y'}{\sqrt{2gx} (1+y'^2)} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{y}{\sqrt{2gx(1+y'^2)}} = c$$

$$y' = c \sqrt{2gx(1+y'^2)}$$

$$y'^2 = c^2 (2gx)(1+y'^2)$$

$$y'^2 = c^2 2gx + c^2 2gx y'^2$$

$$y'^2 (1 - 2c^2 gx) = c^2 2gx \Rightarrow y'^2 = \frac{c^2 2gx}{(1 - 2gc^2 x)}$$

$$y' = \frac{\sqrt{2c^2 gx}}{1 - 2c^2 gx}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2c^2 gx}}{2c^2 g \left(\frac{1}{2gc^2} - x \right)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\frac{1}{2gc^2} - x}}$$

$$\left(\because 2a = \frac{1}{2gc^2} \right)$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{x}{2a - x}}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{\frac{x}{2a - x}}$$

$$dy = \sqrt{\frac{x}{2a - x}} dx \Rightarrow$$

$$y = \int_0^x \sqrt{\frac{x}{2a - x}} dx$$

$$x = a(1 - \cos\theta), \quad dx = +a \sin\theta d\theta$$

$$y = + \int \sqrt{\frac{a(1 - \cos\theta)}{2a - a(1 - \cos\theta)}} a \sin\theta d\theta = \int \sqrt{\frac{a(1 - \cos\theta)}{a(1 + \cos\theta)}} \cdot a \sin\theta d\theta$$

$$= a \int \frac{\sqrt{1 - \cos\theta}}{\sqrt{1 + \cos\theta}} \cdot \sqrt{\sin^2\theta} d\theta$$

$$= a \int \frac{\sqrt{1 - \cos\theta}}{\sqrt{1 + \cos\theta}} (1 - \cos^2\theta) d\theta$$

$$= a \int_0^\theta \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{\sqrt{1 + \cos\theta}} (1 - \cos\theta)(1/\cos\theta) d\theta$$

$$= a \int_0^\theta \sqrt{(1 - \cos\theta)^2} d\theta$$

$$a \int_0^{\theta} (1 - \cos \theta) d\theta \Rightarrow a [\theta - \sin \theta] + c_1$$

When $x=0$, $a(1 - \cos \theta) = 0$

$$\cos \theta = 1 \quad y = 0$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(1) \quad c_1 = 0$$

$\theta = 0$ $\therefore y = +a[\theta - \sin \theta]$

$$y = +a[\theta - \sin \theta] + c_2$$

which is the path of the equation and hence the parametric presentation of the curve.

$$x = a(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$y = a(\theta - \sin \theta)$$

$dx = a \sin \theta d\theta$ which is cycloid

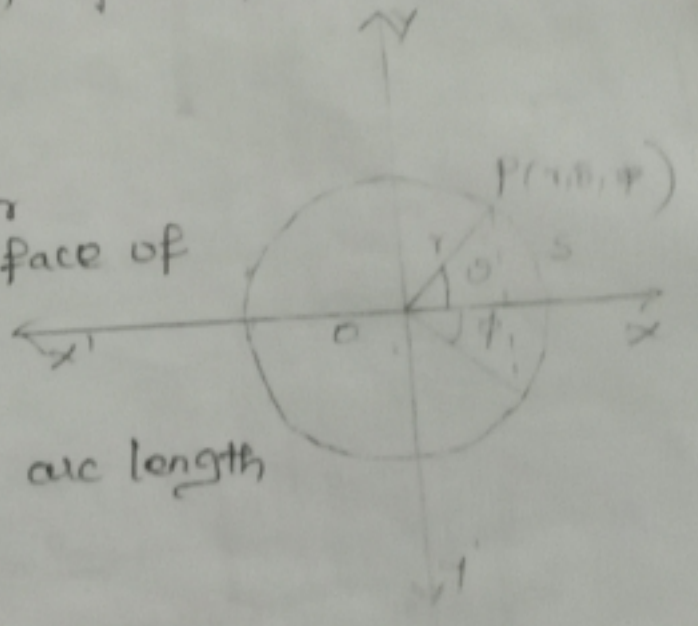
\therefore The Curve of minimum time is cycloid. (25)

State and prove Geodesic problem using Calculus Variation

(or) Find the shortest path between 2 points in a given space (or) find the path of minimum length between two given points on the two-dimensional of a sphere of radius r .

Proof:

Let (r, θ, ϕ) be the spherical polar co-ordinates of any point on the surface of a sphere with centre at origin and radius r .



The differential elements of the arc length is given by,

$$ds^2 = r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

$$= r^2 d\theta^2 \left[1 + \sin^2 \theta \left(\frac{d\phi}{d\theta} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$ds = r \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \left(\frac{d\phi}{d\theta} \right)^2} d\theta$$

$$s = r \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta} \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2} d\theta \quad \text{where } \phi' = \frac{d\phi}{d\theta}$$

$$f(y, y', x) = \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2}$$

$$f(r, \theta, \phi) = \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2}$$

Euler's - Lagrange's equation for the stationary values of definite integral is,

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} - \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi'} \right) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi'} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2)^{-1/2} \cdot 2 \phi' \phi''$$

$$= \frac{\phi' \phi'' \sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \cdot \phi'^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi'} \right) = 0 \quad \therefore \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{\phi' \sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \cdot \phi'^2}} \right) = 0$$

Integrating on both sides, $\frac{\phi' \sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2}} = c$

$$\phi' \sin^2 \theta = c \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2}$$

$$\phi'^2 \sin^4 \theta = c^2 (1 + \sin^2 \theta \phi'^2)$$

$$\phi'^2 \sin^2 \theta (\sin^2 \theta - c^2) = c^2$$

$$\phi'^2 = \frac{c^2}{\sin^2 \theta (\sin^2 \theta - c^2)} = \frac{c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}{(\sin^2 \theta - c^2)} = \frac{c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta (1 - c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta)}$$

$$\phi'^2 = \frac{c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^4 \theta}{1 - c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}$$

$$\phi' = \frac{c \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 - c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}}$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{d\theta} = \frac{c \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 - c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}} \Rightarrow d\phi = \frac{c \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 - c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}} d\theta$$

$$\phi = \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_1} \frac{c \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 - c^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2 \theta}} d\theta = \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_1} \frac{d(c \cot \theta)}{\sqrt{1 - c^2 (1 + \cot^2 \theta)}} d\theta$$

$$\left[\because \phi' = \frac{d\phi}{d\theta} \right]$$

values of

$$= \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_1} \frac{d(-c \cot \theta)}{(\sqrt{1-c^2}) - (c \cot \theta)^2}$$

$$\phi = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{c \cot \theta}{\sqrt{1-c^2}} \right) + \phi_0$$

$$\phi - \phi_0 = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{c \cot \theta}{\sqrt{1-c^2}} \right) + \phi_0$$

$$\cos(\phi - \phi_0) = \frac{c \cot \theta}{\sqrt{1-c^2}}$$

$$\cos \phi \cos \phi_0 + \sin \phi \sin \phi_0 = \frac{c \cot \theta}{\sqrt{1-c^2}}$$

Multiply both sides by $r \sin \theta$,

$$\therefore r \sin \theta \cos \phi \cos \phi_0 + r \sin \theta \sin \phi \sin \phi_0 = \frac{c r \sin \theta \cot \theta}{\sqrt{1-c^2}}$$

$$x \cos \phi_0 + y \sin \phi_0 = \frac{c z}{\sqrt{1-c^2}}$$

(ax + by + cz + d = 0
Equation of plane)

where,

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$z = r \cos \theta$$

which is the equation of the plane passes through the origin

$$(x \cos \phi_0 + y \sin \phi_0 - \frac{c z}{\sqrt{1-c^2}} = 0)$$

This plane intersect the sphere along the ~~great~~ great circle as we say that long the great circle. Thus we say that curve join 2 points on the sphere gives the stationary values of the integral is a great circle.

The great circle gives the curve of the minimum length only when the length of the great circle is less than radius.

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statement :- (\dot{x}) 104.

The actual path in configuration space followed by a holonomic dynamical system during the fixed interval t_1 to t_2 is such as the integral $I = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L dt$ is stationary w.r.t to the path variation which vanishes at the end points.

Proof:-

$$\int \frac{-dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$$