

Principle of Least Action

If the initial state is $u(t_2)$ and the final state is $u(t_1)$, the optimal path between these minimizes the action integral:

$$A = \int_{t_2}^{t_1} (\text{kinetic energy} - \text{potential energy}) dt$$

Example:

(1) Ball of mass on attracted by gravity:

U = ball's height

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m \left(\frac{du}{dt} \right)^2$$

$$P = mgu$$

$$-\frac{d}{dt} \left(m \frac{du}{dt} \right) - mg = 0$$

$$mu'' = -mg$$

$$F = mu$$

(2) Pendulum with mass on

$$K = \frac{1}{2} ml^2 \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt} \right)^2$$

$$P = mg(l - l \cos \theta)$$

$$-mgl \sin \theta - \frac{d}{dt} \left(ml^2 \frac{d\theta}{dt} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{l} \sin \theta = 0$$

2D Problems

$$P(u) = \iint_S \left[\frac{c}{2} \left(\frac{2u}{2x} \right)^2 + \frac{c}{2} \left(\frac{2u}{2y} \right)^2 - f(x, y) u(x, y) \right] dx dy$$

$$-\frac{d}{dx} \left(c \frac{2u}{2x} \right) - \frac{d}{dy} \left(c \frac{2u}{2y} \right) = f(x, y)$$

In general,

$$P \int_s a \left(\frac{2u}{2x} \right)^2 + 2b \left(\frac{2u}{2x} \right) \left(\frac{2u}{2y} \right) + c \left(\frac{2u}{2y} \right)^2 dx dy$$

$$\Rightarrow au_{xx} + 2bu_{xy} + cu_{yy} = 0$$

Quadratic form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

(i)

$ac > b^2$: *elliptic*

$$a = c = 1, b = 0$$

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$$

(ii)

$$ac < b^2$$

$$a = 1, c = -1, b = 0 \quad u_{xx} = u_{yy}, \quad h, \text{ parabolic}$$

(iii)

$$ac = b^2$$

$$a = 1$$

$$c = 0$$

$$b = 0$$

$$u_t = u_{xx}$$

Snakes

$$\rightarrow : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\rightarrow(0) = \rightarrow(1)$$

$$\sum_s \left(\frac{\rightarrow}{\downarrow} \right) = \sum_s \frac{\rightarrow}{\downarrow} + P \left(\frac{\rightarrow}{\downarrow} \right)$$

$$\sum_s \left(\frac{\rightarrow}{\downarrow} \right) = \int_s^1 \left(w_1(s) \left| \frac{\rightarrow}{\downarrow} \right|_s^2 + w_2(s) \left| \frac{\rightarrow}{\downarrow} \right|_{ss}^2 \right) ds$$

Dynamics: Constant dynamical system and allows it I ensure at a minimal every state so it achieves equilibrium. Use Lagrangian dynamics is Principle of least action.

$$\vec{v}(s, t)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u \left| \vec{v}_t \right|^2 ds$$

$$\zeta \left(\vec{v} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \int \underbrace{u \left| \vec{v}_t \right|^2}_{\text{kinetic energy}} ds - \frac{1}{2} \sum \left(\vec{v} \right)$$

$$v(s, t_0) = \text{initial}$$

$$v(s, t_1) = \text{final}$$

$$S_v \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \mathfrak{L} \left(\vec{v} \right) dt = 0$$

$$S_v \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_0^1 u \left| \vec{v}_t \right|^2 - w_1(s) \left| \vec{v}_s \right|^2 - w_2(s) \left| \vec{v}_{ss} \right|^2 - P \left(\vec{v} \right) ds dt \right) = 0$$

Need to dissipate S_v energy

Raleigh dissipation functional:

$$D(x_t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \mathfrak{D} \left| v_t \right|^2 ds \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}(s)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \vec{v}_t} \right) + \frac{\partial D}{\partial \vec{v}_t} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \vec{v}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \vec{v}_s} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial s^2} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \vec{v}_{ss}} \right) = 0$$

Assume $u(s) = u$, $\gamma(s) = \gamma$

$$u \vec{v}_{tt} + \gamma \vec{v}_t - \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left(w_1 \vec{v}_s \right) + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s^2} \left(w_2 \vec{v}_{ss} \right) = - \underbrace{\nabla P \left(\vec{v}(s, t) \right)}_{\text{couples arche to the image data}}$$