

Homework 4

Problem 1 – Lagrangian equations of motion: Rolling can in a hollow cylinder.

- a) For the system shown below, how many independent and complete generalized coordinates are required?
- b) Derive the equation(s) of motion of the rolling can (with mass m_i and inertia J_i). Assume there are no applied forces or loss terms. (i.e., assume the dynamics include only conservative forces.) Also assume the can rolls inside the (fixed) outer cylinder *without slipping*.

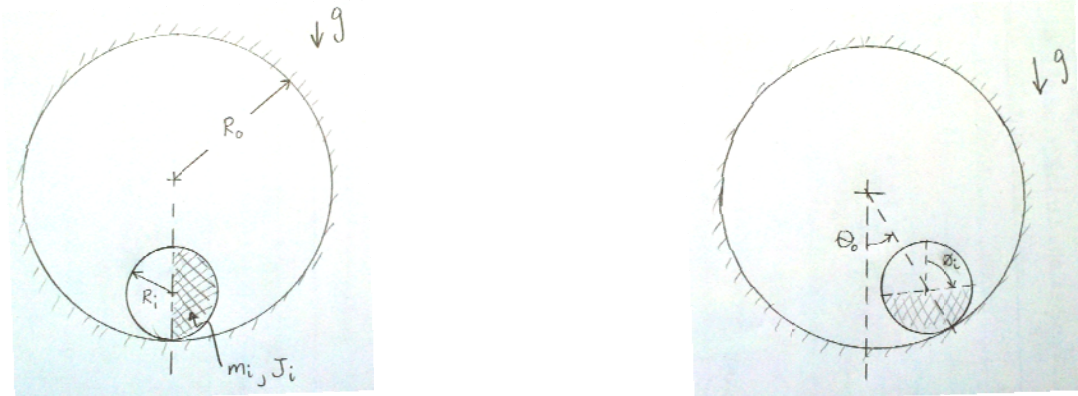


Fig. 2 – The outer perimeter is fixed, and a can rolls freely (without slipping) inside, always touching the perimeter. Definitions for the angle to the point of contact, θ_o , and the angle of rotation of the can, θ_i , both of which are measured with respect to an absolute coordinate system, are shown. Shading on the can is only intended to illustrate orientation more clearly: the center of mass is at the center of the can, and the can has mass m_i and inertia J_i .

Problem 2 – Lagrangian equations of motion: Seesaw with a cart.

In Fig. 4, assume the only mass is a point mass at the center of the cart.

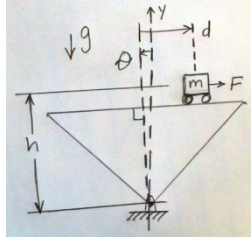


Fig. 4 – Massless seesaw with a (point-mass) cart driven on top.

- Write expressions for the location (x,y) of the cart, in terms of the geometry shown.
- Write expressions for the x and y components of velocity of the cart.
- Derive the equation(s) of motion for the cart. (Assume the only non-conservative force is the input force, F .)

Problem 3 – Systems with compliance. (4th-order dynamics.)

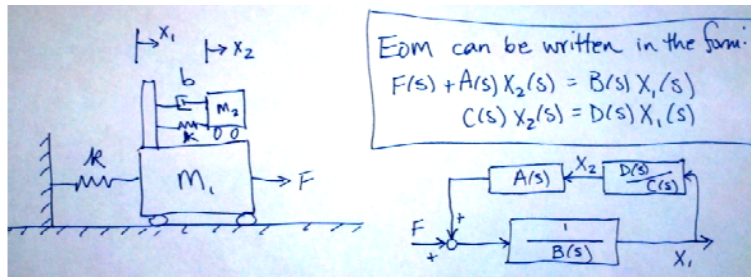
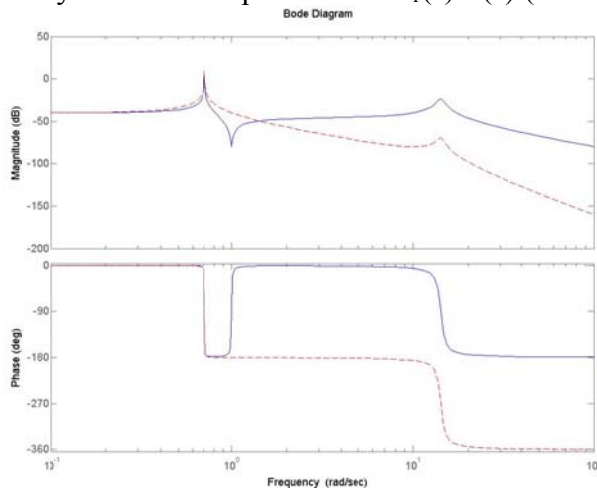


Fig. 5 - a 4th-order system.

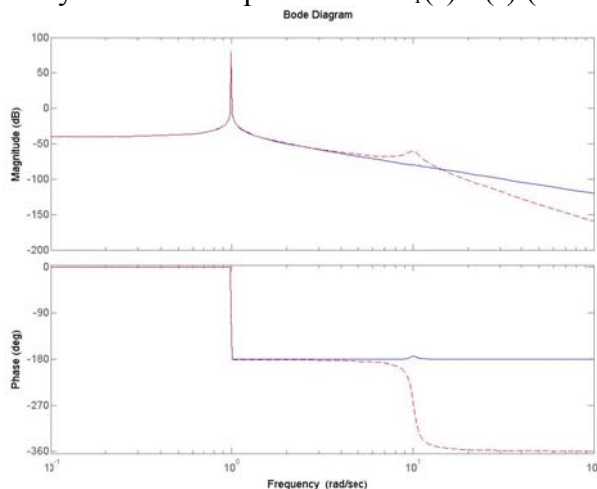
Assume $k=100$ N/m. Below are two sets of Bode plots. Your job is to determine which plot (solid vs dashed) is for $X_1(s)/F(s)$; note that the other plot is for $X_2(s)/F(s)$. Also estimate (roughly) the magnitude of each mass in set of plots (a and b).

a) Identify which Bode plot shows $X_1(s)/F(s)$ (solid or dashed?). Is $m_1 < m_2$? Estimate m_1 and m_2 .



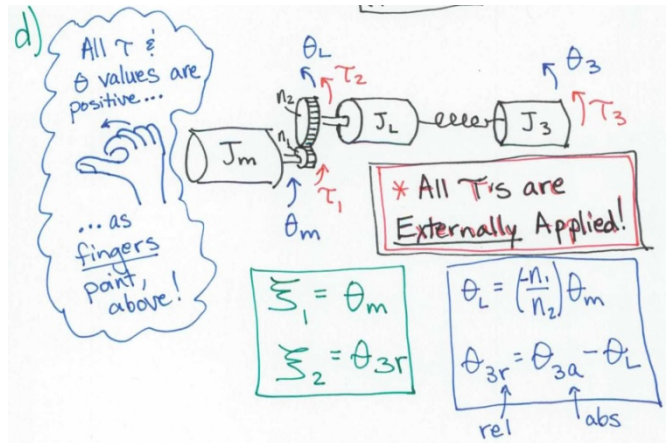
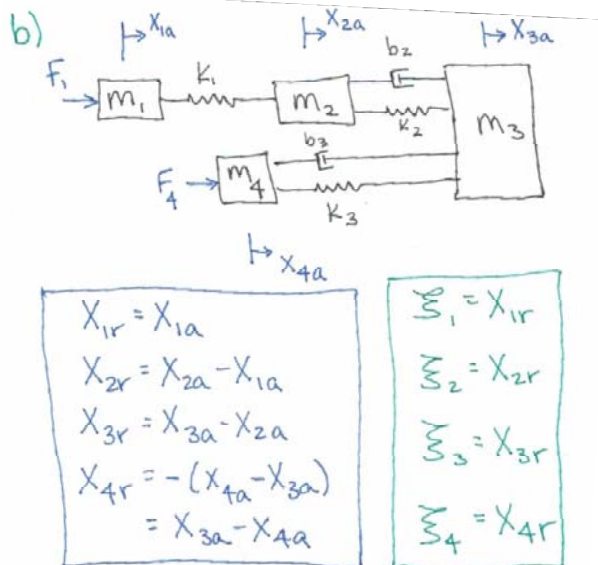
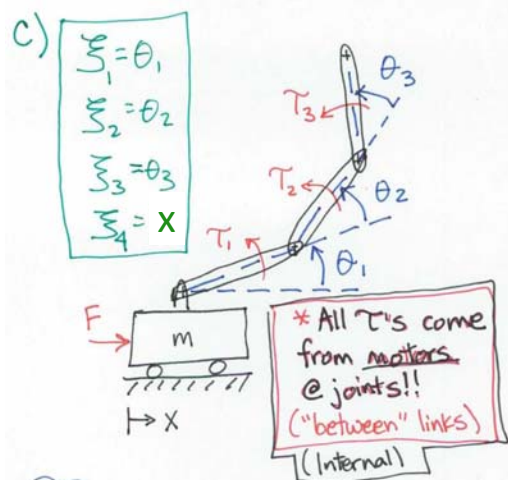
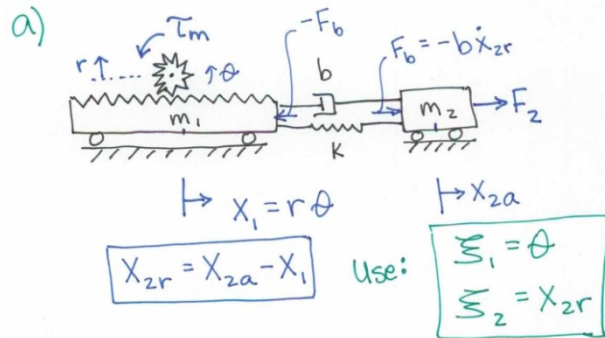
(Bode plots above are for "a".)

b) Identify which Bode plot shows $X_1(s)/F(s)$ (solid or dashed?). Is $m_1 < m_2$? Estimate m_1 and m_2 .



(Bode plots above are for "b".)

Problem 4 – For each system and corresponding definition of generalized coordinates (GC’s), identify the non-conservative forces (“big Xi”, Ξ_i) associated with each GC, necessary in using the Lagrangian approach to develop equations of motion.



* Also determine ξ : include any forces due to the dashpots:

- In **a**: non-conservative forces and torques include: τ_m , F_2 , and F_b (due to dashpot, applied as equal and opposite forces on each mass).
- In **b**: non-conservative forces and torques include: τ_1 , τ_2 , τ_3 , and F .
- In **c**: non-conservative forces and torques include: F_1 , F_4 , and any damping forces (similar to part a) due to both b_2 and b_3 .
- In **d**: non-conservative forces and torques include: τ_1 , τ_2 , and τ_3 . n_1 and n_2 are the numbers of teeth on the gears, as shown. Note, when θ_m velocity is positive, θ_L velocity is negative!

Problem 5 – For the two-link system shown,

a) Write the Jacobian, J , and Jacobian transpose, J^T .

Assume we will use *relative* generalized coordinates, as shown, where θ_1 is absolute but θ_2 is relative to θ_1 .

b) Write the non-conservative forces, Ξ_1 and Ξ_2 . Each should involve a mathematical expression that includes some subset of actuator torques, τ_1 and τ_2 , and the externally-applied “disturbance” forces, F_x and F_y , at the end effector.

c) Comment on how the Jacobian (or its transpose) describes the effect the disturbance forces will have on each Ξ_i , the total non-conservative torque affecting each equation of motion.

