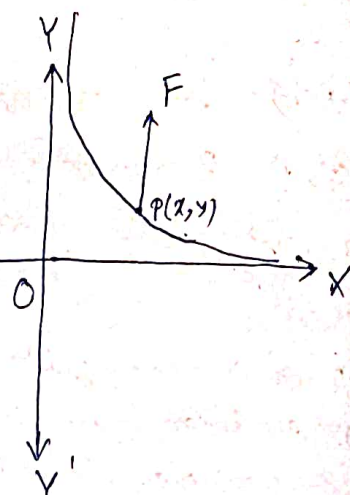


Ex-1

A particle describes a rectangular hyperbola under a force which is always \parallel to an asymptote, prove that the force varies as the cube of the distance from the other asymptote.

Let the equation of the rectangular hyperbola be $xy=c$, whose asymptotes are the co-ordinate axes.

Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the particle at time t . F be the force \parallel to y -axis (one asymptote).



m = mass of the particle. The equations of motion are,

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \quad \dots (1) \quad m \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = F \quad \dots (2)$$

from (1), $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0$, or, $\frac{dx}{dt} = \text{const} = K$ (say)

$xy=c$, or, $y = \frac{c}{x}$. or, $\frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{c}{x^2} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{Kc}{x^2}$

$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{2Kc}{x^3} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{2cK^2}{x^3}$

from (2) $m \cdot \frac{2cK^2}{x^3} = F$ or, $F = \frac{2m c K^2}{(\frac{c}{y})^3} = \frac{2m K^2}{c^2} y^3$

$\therefore F \propto y^3$, where y is the distance of P from the other asymptote (x -axis)

Ex-2

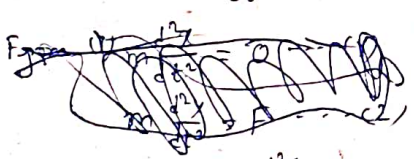
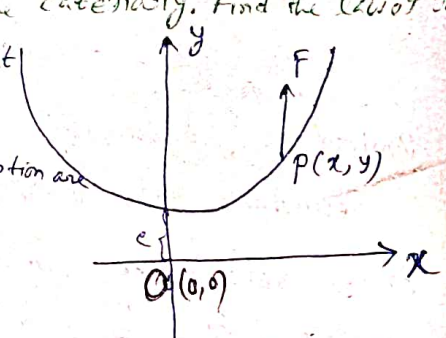
A particle describes a catenary $y = c \cosh(\frac{x}{c})$ under a force which is always \parallel to the axis of the catenary. Find the law of force.

Let F be the force on the particle at $P(x, y)$ at time t , \parallel to y -axis.

m = mass of the particle. The equations of motion are

$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \quad \dots (1)$

$m \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = F \quad \dots (2)$



from (1) $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0$, $\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = \text{constant} = K$ (say)

$y = c \cosh(\frac{x}{c}) \quad \therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = \sinh(\frac{x}{c}) \frac{dx}{dt} = K \sinh(\frac{x}{c})$

$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{K}{c} \cosh(\frac{x}{c}) \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{K^2}{c} \cosh(\frac{x}{c}) = \frac{K^2}{c} \cdot \frac{y}{c} = \frac{K^2}{c^2} y$

from (2) $m \frac{K^2}{c^2} y = F$, or $F \propto y$.

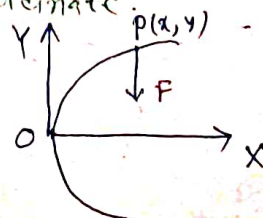
This is the law of force.

Ex-3

A particle describes a parabola under a force which is always directed perpendicularly towards its axis. Prove that the force is inversely proportional to the cube of the ordinate.

Let the equation of the parabola be

$$y^2 = 4ax.$$



The equations of motion are, $m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \dots (1)$, $m \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -F \dots (2)$

From (1) $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0$ as $\frac{dx}{dt} = \text{constant} = k$ (say)

$$y^2 = 4ax, \quad 2y \frac{dy}{dt} = 4a \frac{dx}{dt} \quad \text{on,} \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2ak}{y}$$

$$\text{on,} \quad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\frac{2ak}{y^2} j$$

$$\therefore \text{From (2)} \quad F = m \cdot \frac{2ak}{y^2} \cdot \frac{2ak}{y} = \frac{4a^2 k^2 m}{y^3}, \quad \therefore F \propto \frac{1}{y^3} \text{ (proved)}$$

Ex-4 A particle moves on a plane in such a way that its vel. components // to the axes at any instant are $u+wy$ and $v+w'x$ respectively, where u, v, w, w' are constants. Show that the path traced out by the particle is a conic section.

Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the particle at time t .

By ^{the} condition, $\frac{dx}{dt} = u+wy \dots (1)$ $\frac{dy}{dt} = v+w'x \dots (2)$

$$(1) \div (2) \text{ gives } \frac{\frac{dx}{dt}}{\frac{dy}{dt}} = \frac{u+wy}{v+w'x} = \frac{dx}{dy}, \quad \text{on,} \quad dx(v+w'x) = (u+wy)dy$$

$$\text{Integrating,} \quad vx + w' \frac{x^2}{2} = uy + \frac{wy^2}{2} + \frac{c}{2}$$

$$\text{on,} \quad 2vx + w'x^2 = 2uy + wy^2 + c$$

$$\text{on,} \quad w'x^2 - wy^2 + 2vx - 2uy = c = 0 \dots (3)$$

From ^{the} initial conditions c can be known, then (3) is the equation of the path of the particle.

Since the equation is of 2nd degree in x, y , it represents a conic section.

Ex-5 The curve $x = a(\theta - e \sin \theta)$, $y = a(1 - e \cos \theta)$, where a, e are const's, and θ is a parameter, is described by a particle under the action of a force // to the x -axis. Show that the force varies as, $\frac{e - \cos \theta}{\sin^3 \theta}$.

Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the particle at time t . F be the force // to x -axis,

~~let curve $x = a(\theta - e \sin \theta)$~~ , The equations of motion are,

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = F \dots (1) \quad m \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = 0 \dots (2)$$

$$\text{From (2)} \quad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = 0, \quad \therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = \text{const} = k \text{ (say)} \quad \text{on,} \quad \frac{1}{dt} \{a(1 - e \cos \theta)\} = k$$

$$\text{on,} \quad ae \sin \theta \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dt} = k \quad \text{on,} \quad \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{k}{ae \sin \theta}$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{ae} \csc \theta \cot \theta \cdot \dot{\theta} = -\frac{k}{ae} \cdot \csc \theta \cot \theta \cdot \frac{k}{ae \sin \theta} = -\frac{k^2}{a^2 e^2} \csc^2 \theta \cot \theta$$

$$x = a(\theta - e \sin \theta) \quad \therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = a(\dot{\theta} - e \cos \theta \cdot \dot{\theta}) = a(1 - e \cos \theta) \cdot \dot{\theta}$$

$$\text{on,} \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = y \dot{\theta}, \quad \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \dot{y} \dot{\theta} + y \ddot{\theta} = k \cdot \frac{k}{ae \sin \theta} + a(1 - e \cos \theta) \cdot \left(-\frac{k^2}{a^2 e^2} \csc^2 \theta \cot \theta\right)$$

$$= \frac{k^2}{ae \sin \theta} - \frac{k^2}{ae^2} (\csc^2 \theta \cot \theta - e \cos \theta \csc^2 \theta \cot \theta)$$

$$= \frac{k^2}{ae \sin \theta} \left[1 - \frac{1}{e} \cdot \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} (1 - e \cos \theta) \right]$$

$$= \frac{k^2}{ae \sin \theta} \cdot \frac{e \sin^2 \theta - \cos \theta + e \cos^2 \theta}{e \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{k^2}{ae \sin \theta} \cdot \frac{e - \cos \theta}{e \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{k^2}{ae^2} \cdot \frac{e - \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\text{From (1)} \quad \therefore F = m \cdot \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{mk^2}{ae^2} \cdot \frac{e - \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta}, \quad \therefore F \propto \frac{e - \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \text{ (proved)}$$

Ex. 1

A particle is moving in a plane under the action of an attracting force to a fixed pt. in the plane, equal to μ times the distance from that pt per unit mass. The initial co-ordinates and vel. components with respect to fixed rectangular axes passing through the centre of force are (a, b) and (U, V) respectively. Find the co-ordinates (x, y) of the particle at time t and show that the path of the particle is given by,

$$\mu (bx - ay)^2 + (Uy - Vx)^2 = (bU - aV)^2$$

Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the particle at time t . $OP = r$.

The force on the particle is μr per unit mass towards O . $\angle POX = \theta$.

The equations of motion are,

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\mu r \cos \theta = -\mu x$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\mu r \sin \theta = -\mu y \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

From (1) $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \mu x = 0$.

The general solⁿ of this equation is $x = C_1 \cos \sqrt{\mu} t + C_2 \sin \sqrt{\mu} t$.

Similarly the equation (2) $y = C_3 \cos \sqrt{\mu} t + C_4 \sin \sqrt{\mu} t$.

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -C_1 (\sin \sqrt{\mu} t) \sqrt{\mu} + C_2 \sqrt{\mu} \cos \sqrt{\mu} t$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -C_3 \sqrt{\mu} \sin \sqrt{\mu} t + C_4 \sqrt{\mu} \cos \sqrt{\mu} t$$

When $t=0$, $x=a$, $y=b$. $\therefore a = C_1$, $b = C_3$.

When $t=0$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = U$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = V$ $\therefore U = C_2 \sqrt{\mu}$, $V = C_4 \sqrt{\mu}$.

$$\therefore x = a \cos \sqrt{\mu} t + \frac{U}{\sqrt{\mu}} \sin \sqrt{\mu} t \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$y = b \cos \sqrt{\mu} t + \frac{V}{\sqrt{\mu}} \sin \sqrt{\mu} t \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

(3) and (4) give the co-ordinates (x, y) of the particle at time t .

Eliminating t from (3) and (4) we get the equation of the path.

~~Solving (3) and (4)~~

(3) $\times V$ - (4) $\times U$ gives, $xV - yU = \cos \sqrt{\mu} t (aV - bU)$

on $\cos \sqrt{\mu} t = \frac{xV - yU}{aV - bU} \quad \text{--- (5)}$

(3) $\times b$ - (4) $\times a$ gives, $xb - ya = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} \sin \sqrt{\mu} t (bU - Va)$

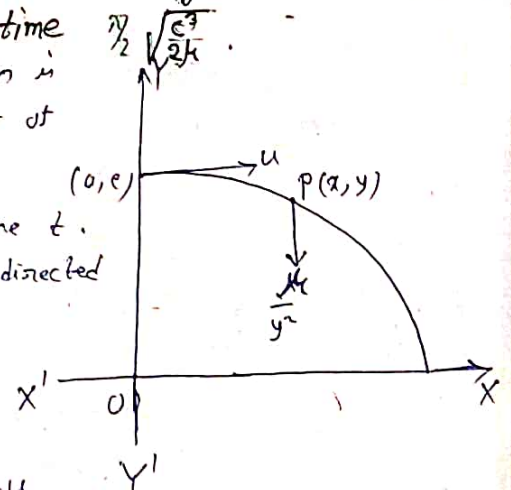
on, $\sin \sqrt{\mu} t = \frac{\sqrt{\mu} (xb - ya)}{(bU - Va)} \quad \text{--- (6)}$

(5)² + (6)² gives, $1 = \frac{(xV - yU)^2}{(aV - bU)^2} + \frac{\mu (xb - ya)^2}{(bU - Va)^2}$

on, $\mu (bx - ay)^2 + (Uy - Vx)^2 = (bU - aV)^2$ (proved)

Ex-7 A particle moves in a plane being attracted by a force perpendicular to a fixed st. line in it, equal to $\frac{\mu}{y^2}$ (distance from the line) per unit mass. When at a distance c from the line, it is projected with a velocity u // to the line. Show that the particle strikes the line after a time $\frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{\frac{c^3}{2\mu}}$.

x -axis is taken along the fixed line and y -axis is taken along the perpendicular to the line, through the pt of projection. The pt of projection is $(0, c)$.



Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the particle at time t .
 \therefore The force per unit mass is $\frac{\mu}{y^2}$, // to y -axis and directed to the x -axis.

The equations of motion are,

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \dots (1), \quad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\frac{\mu}{y^2} \dots (2)$$

from (1) $\frac{dx}{dt} = \text{const} = C_1$. At $(0, c)$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = u$

$$\therefore C_1 = u, \quad \therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = u.$$

from (2), multiplying both sides by $2 \frac{dy}{dt}$ and then integrating,

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{2\mu}{y} + C_2. \quad \text{At } (0, c), \quad y = c, \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = 0.$$

$$\therefore 0 = \frac{2\mu}{c} + C_2 \quad \therefore C_2 = -\frac{2\mu}{c}.$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = 2\mu \left(\frac{c-y}{cy}\right), \quad \therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = -\sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{c}} \sqrt{\frac{c-y}{y}}$$

$\because y$ decreases with t , $\therefore \frac{dy}{dt} < 0$

$$\text{or, } -\frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{c-y}} dy = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{c}} dt$$

Let the particle strikes the x -axis after time t_1 .

$$\text{When } t=0, \quad y=c$$

$$t=t_1, \quad y=0.$$

$$\text{or, } -\int_c^0 \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{c-y}} dy = \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{c}} \int_0^{t_1} dt$$

$$\text{or, } \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{c}} t_1 = \int_0^c \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{c-y}} dy$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{2\mu}{c}} t_1 = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sqrt{c} \sin \theta \cdot 2c \sin \theta \cos \theta d\theta}{\sqrt{c} \cos \theta}$$

$$= c \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - \cos 2\theta) d\theta = c \left[\theta - \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right]_0^{\pi/2} = c \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore t_1 = \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{\frac{c^3}{2\mu}} = \text{required time.}$$

Ex-8 A particle of mass m is moving under the influence of an attractive force $\frac{\mu}{y^3}$ towards the x -axis. Show that if it be projected from the point $(0, k)$ with velocity components U and V // to the axes, it will not strike the axis of x unless $\mu > V^2 k^2$ and that in this case the distance of the pt. of impact from the origin is $\frac{Uk^2}{\sqrt{\mu - V^2 k^2}}$.

Let $P(x, y)$ be the position of the particle at time t . The equations of motion are,

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \dots (i)$$

$$m \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\frac{m\lambda}{y^3} \dots (ii)$$

From (i) integrating $\frac{dx}{dt} = C_1$.

at $(0, k)$ $\frac{dx}{dt} = U$, $\therefore C_1 = U$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = U \quad \text{or} \quad dx = U dt$$

Integrating, $x = Ut + C_2$
at $t=0$, $x=0$, $\therefore C_2 = 0$.

$$\therefore x = Ut \dots (iii)$$

From (ii) $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\frac{\lambda}{y^3}$

multiplying both sides by $2 \frac{dy}{dt}$ and integrating, $\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{\lambda}{y^2} + C_3$

At $t=0$, $y=k$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = V$

$$\therefore V^2 = \frac{\lambda}{k^2} + C_3 \quad \therefore C_3 = V^2 - \frac{\lambda}{k^2}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{\lambda}{y^2} + V^2 - \frac{\lambda}{k^2} \dots (iv)$$

From (iv) or, $\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{\lambda}{y^2} - \frac{\lambda}{k^2} + V^2 = \frac{\lambda}{y^2} + \frac{V^2 k^2 - \lambda}{k^2} \dots (v)$

If $\lambda < V^2 k^2$, the R.H.S is always positive \forall values of y .

$\therefore \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 > 0$ always. \therefore The particle will never strike the x -axis,

since $\frac{dy}{dt}$ will never be zero and changes its sign.

\therefore For striking x -axis we must have $\lambda > V^2 k^2$.

\therefore The above equation can be written as,

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{\lambda}{y^2} - \frac{\lambda - V^2 k^2}{k^2} \dots (vi)$$

Let $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$, when $y = b$.

$$\therefore 0 = \frac{\lambda}{b^2} - \frac{\lambda - V^2 k^2}{k^2}$$

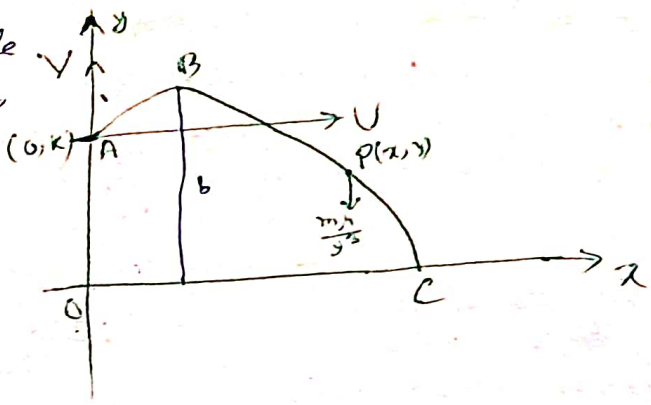
$$\therefore b^2 = \frac{\lambda k^2}{\lambda - V^2 k^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda - V^2 k^2}{k^2} = \frac{\lambda}{b^2} \dots (vii)$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2 = \frac{\lambda}{y^2} - \frac{\lambda}{b^2} \quad \therefore \frac{dy}{dt} = \sqrt{\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{1}{y^2} - \frac{1}{b^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{yb} \sqrt{b^2 - y^2}$$

From A to B $\frac{dy}{dt} > 0$.

or, $y \frac{dy}{\sqrt{b^2 - y^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{b} dt$, $\int_k^b \frac{y dy}{\sqrt{b^2 - y^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{b} \int_0^{t_1} dt$ $\left[\begin{matrix} t_1 = \text{time} \\ \text{from A to B} \end{matrix} \right]$

Let $b^2 - y^2 = z^2$ when $y = k$, $z = \sqrt{b^2 - k^2}$
 $\therefore -2y dy = 2z dz$ when $y = b$, $z = 0$.



$$\therefore \int_0^0 \frac{-2 dz}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{b} (t_1 - 0)$$

$$\text{or } \left[-z \right]_{\sqrt{b^2 - k^2}}^0 = \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{b} t_1, \text{ or } \sqrt{b^2 - k^2} = \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{b} t_1 \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - k^2}}{\sqrt{\mu}} = t_1$$

Let the particle strikes the x-axis at C.

From B to C y decreases with t.

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dt} < 0, \text{ i.e. } \frac{dy}{dt} = -\frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{b} \sqrt{b^2 - y^2}$$

$$\text{i.e. } -\int_b^0 \frac{y dy}{\sqrt{b^2 - y^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{b} \int_0^{t_2} dt \quad [t_2 = \text{time from B to C}]$$

$$\text{or } \int_0^b \frac{y dy}{\sqrt{b^2 - y^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{\mu}}{b} \int_0^{t_2} dt \quad \therefore t_2 = \frac{b^2}{\sqrt{\mu}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Total time from A to C, is } t_1 + t_2 = \frac{b(b + \sqrt{b^2 - k^2})}{\sqrt{\mu}}$$

$$\text{ie } \text{total time is} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} \left[\frac{\mu k^2}{\mu - v^2 k^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\mu} k}{\sqrt{\mu - v^2 k^2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\mu k^2}{\mu - v^2 k^2} - k^2} \right] \quad \left[\text{using (vi)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} \left[\frac{\mu k^2}{\mu - v^2 k^2} + \frac{\sqrt{\mu} k \cdot k^2 v}{\mu - v^2 k^2} \right] = \frac{k^2 (\sqrt{\mu} + v k)}{(\sqrt{\mu} + v k)(\sqrt{\mu} - v k)}$$

$$= \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{\mu} - v k}$$

$$\text{ie. total time is } \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{\mu} - v k}, \text{ From (iii) } \frac{dx}{dt} = U \Rightarrow Ut = x.$$

$$\text{ie } x = U(t_1 + t_2) \Rightarrow \therefore OC = U \cdot \frac{k^2}{\sqrt{\mu} - v k} = \frac{U k^2}{\sqrt{\mu} - v k}$$