

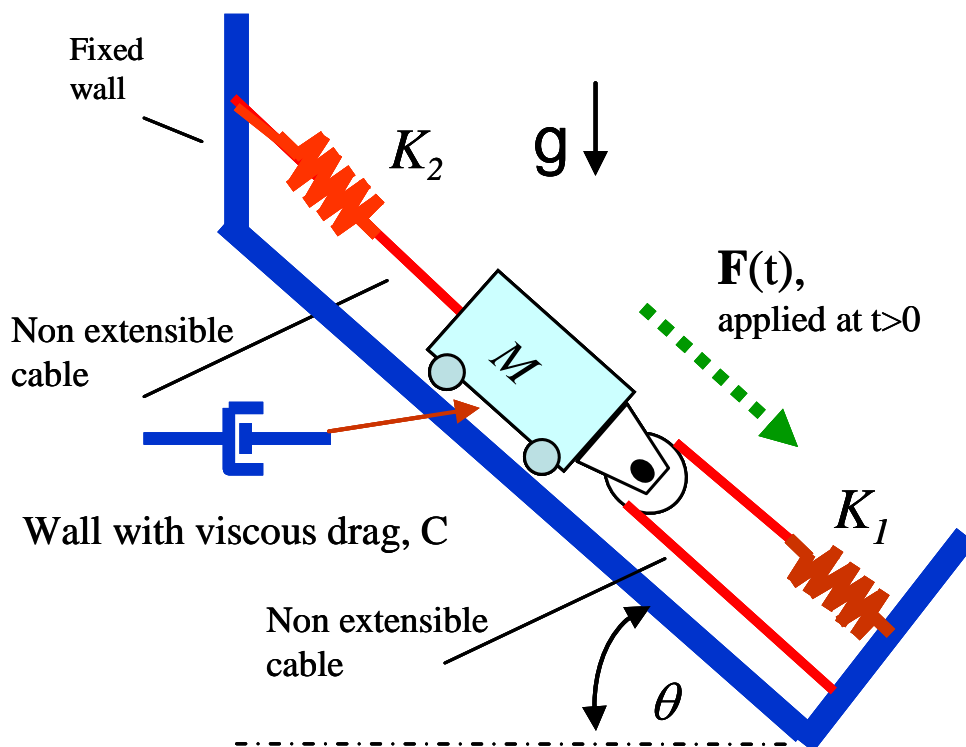
Derive EOMs for Mechanical System

The figure shows a heavy block weighing $W=Mg$ that is connected to springs with stiffness K_1 and K_2 . A frictionless pulley and (inextensible) cable connect spring 1 to the block. The cable does NOT slip on the pulley. Upon assembly of the system, both springs are pre-stretched (in tension or preloaded). The system is initially at rest at its static equilibrium position (SEP=assembled configuration).

At time $t>0$ s, an external force $\mathbf{F}(t)$ acts on the block and **drives** the system into motion. **There is viscous drag along the inclined wall and represented by damping coefficient C .**

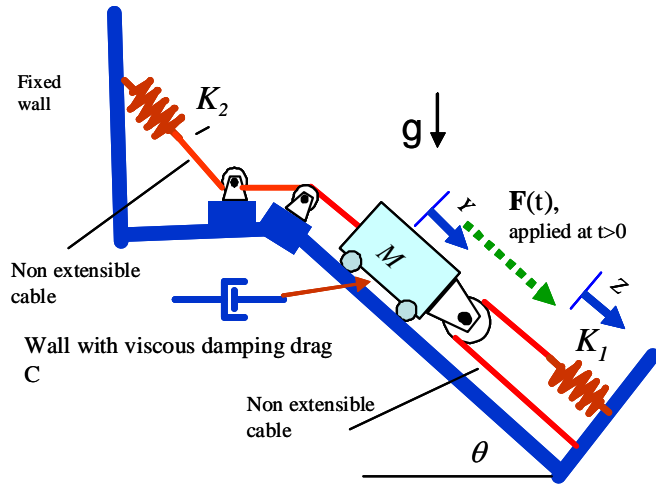
- Find the equations of static equilibrium, i.e. forces necessary to keep system together.
- Specify coordinates for motion of the block and springs and **with origins at the SEP**. Draw coordinates on figure.
- Identify the kinematic constraint relating motions of the block and spring 1.
- Draw complete free body diagrams applicable for time $t>0$ s. Label (name) all forces and relate them to the motion coordinates.
- Using Newton's Laws, derive the EOM for the block ($t>0$ s).

Explain your solution procedure, detail assumptions for full credit. Work that only shows formulas without descriptions will be counted as 50% of your grade.



P3 SP09 - Derive EOM for simple mechanical system

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Let:

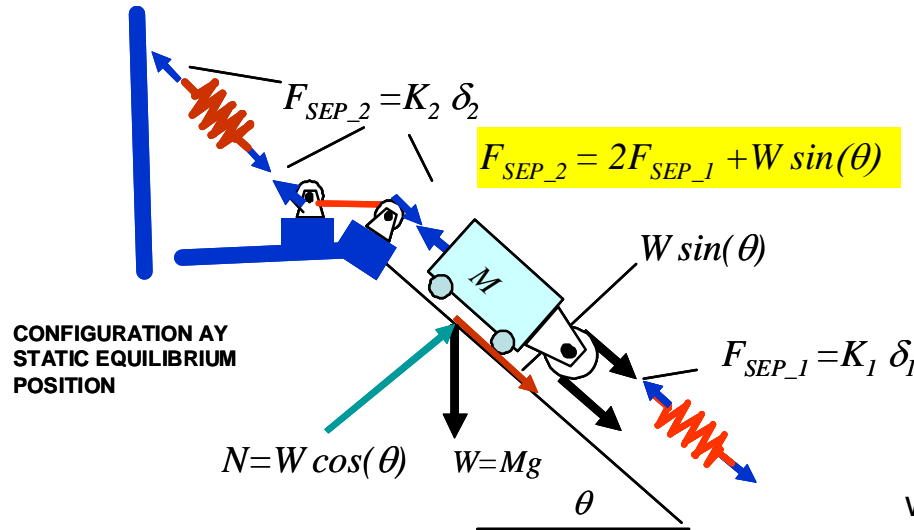
$Y(t)$ be coordinate describing displacements of block M from SEP, i.e. $Y=0$ means SEP

$Z(t)$ be coordinate describing displacement of free end of spring 1 from SEP

Upon assembly both springs are pre-stretched (in tension)

(a) Static deflection of springs

By definition of SEP (Static equilibrium position), i.e. when $Z=Y=0$ and at rest (without motion):



where $F_{SEP} = T$ is tension in a spring

For static equilibrium, the forces must be:

$$F_{SEP_2} = W \cdot \sin(\theta) + 2 \cdot F_{SEP_1} \quad (1)$$

$$F_{SEP_2} = K_2 \cdot \delta_2 \quad N = W \cdot \cos(\theta) \quad \text{normal force}$$

$$F_{SEP_1} = K_1 \cdot \delta_1$$

where δ 's are the spring deflections at the equilibrium condition, i.e. the assembly configuration

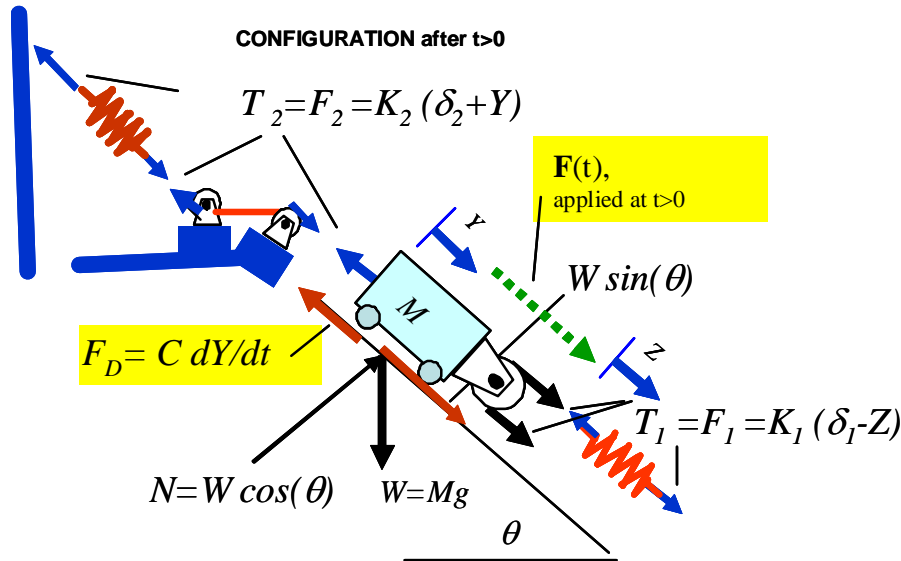
(b) coordinate systems and kinematic constraint in pulley- inextensible cable

The cable length is constant, thus

$$l_c = l_c + Z - 2Y \quad \text{and the kinematic constraint follows as } Z = 2Y \quad (2)$$

(c) Free body diagram: assume a state of motion with $Y=1/2 Z >0$, $F(t) > 0$ for $t>0$

Assumed state of motion to draw FBD : $Y>0$, $Z>0$



Cable tensions = elastic forces from springs

$$\begin{aligned} F_2 = T_2 &= F_{\text{SEP}_2} + K_2 \cdot Y \\ F_1 = T_1 &= F_{\text{SEP}_1} - K_1 \cdot Z \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$F_D = C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} Y \quad \text{viscous drag force}$$

Apply Newton's law to derive EOM:

$$M \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} Y = 2 \cdot T_1 + W \cdot \sin(\theta) + F(t) - F_D - T_2 \quad (4)$$

Note: EOM cannot contain internal forces (Tension for example). The tension is DETERMINED by the motion.

Substitute the constitutive forces, Eqn (3) into EOMs (4) to obtain

$$M \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} Y = F(t) - C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} Y + W \cdot \sin(\theta) + 2 \cdot (F_{\text{SEP}_1} - K_1 \cdot Z) - (F_{\text{SEP}_2} + K_2 \cdot Y) \quad (5a)$$

canceling the forces from assembly (static equilibrium position) leads to $F_{\text{SEP}_2} = W \cdot \sin(\theta) + 2 \cdot F_{\text{SEP}_1}$

$$M \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} Y = F(t) - C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} Y + 2 \cdot (-K_1 \cdot Z) - (K_2 \cdot Y) \quad (5b)$$

Using the kinematic constraint of pulley $Z = 2Y$

gives:

$$M \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} Y = F(t) - C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} Y - 2 \cdot 2 \cdot K_1 \cdot Y - K_2 \cdot Y$$

leads to the final EOM:

$$M \cdot \frac{d^2}{dt^2} Y + C \cdot \frac{d}{dt} Y + (4 \cdot K_1 + K_2) \cdot Y = F(t) \quad (6)$$