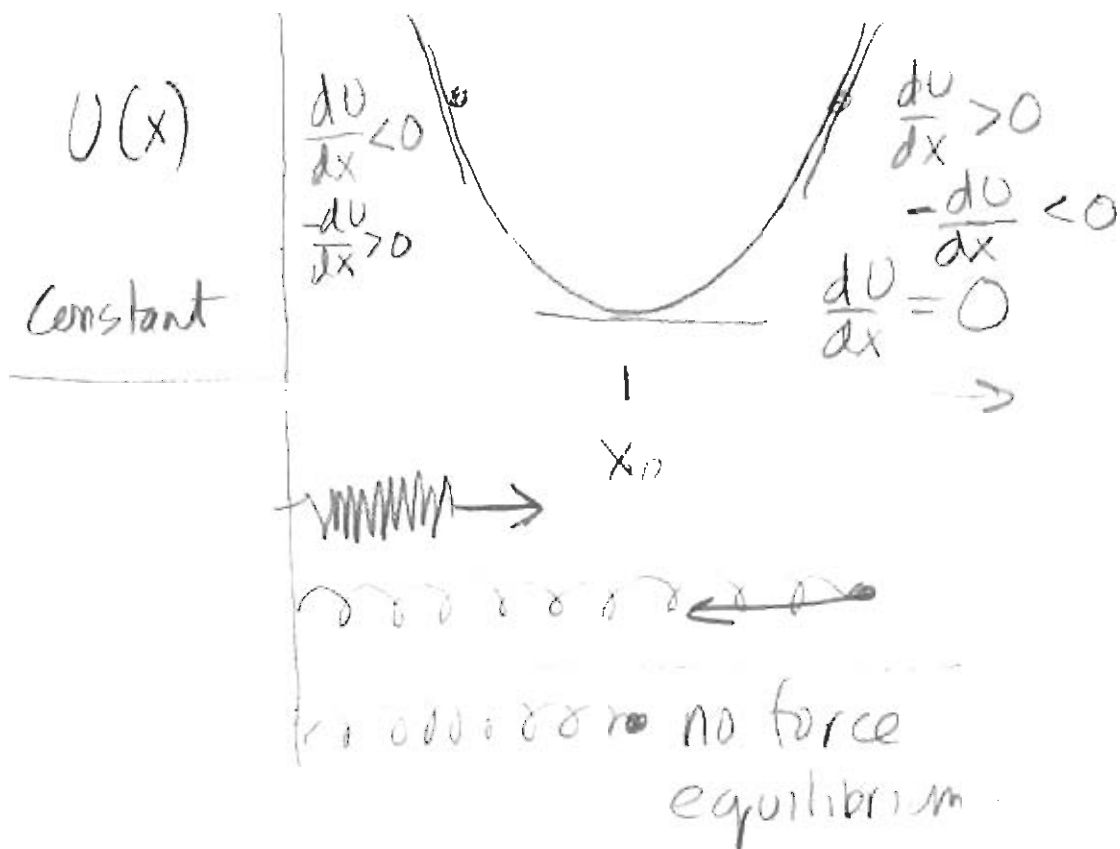


Spring

$$U(x) = \frac{1}{2} k(x - x_0)^2 + \text{constant}$$



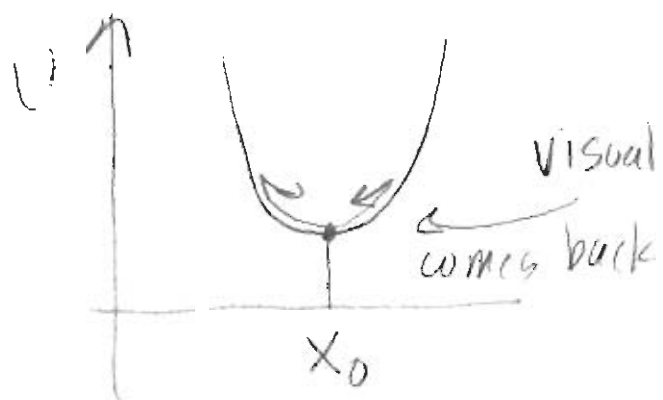
Points with  $-\frac{dU}{dx} = 0$  are equilibrium points

Why?  $F = -\frac{dU}{dx} = 0$

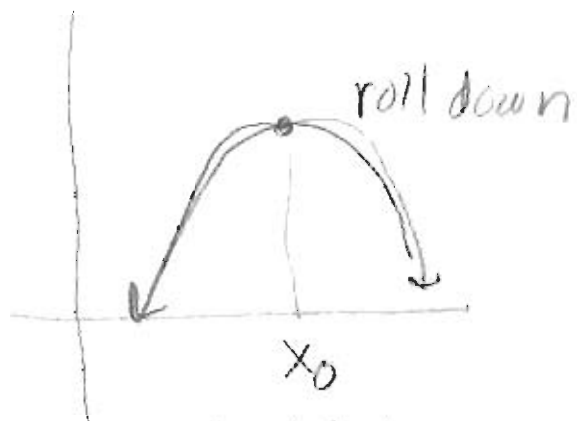
Stable + Unstable

$$\frac{d^2U}{dx^2} > 0$$

$$\frac{d^2U}{dx^2} < 0$$



"restoring force"



"destabilizing force"

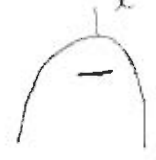
look at



$-\frac{dU}{dx} \Big|_a > 0$  ... positive force  
away from minimum

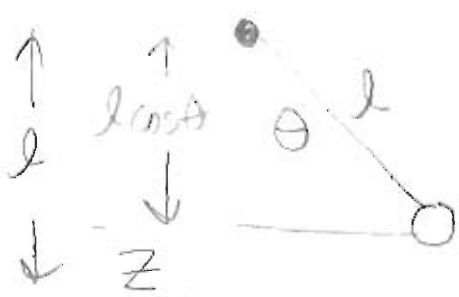
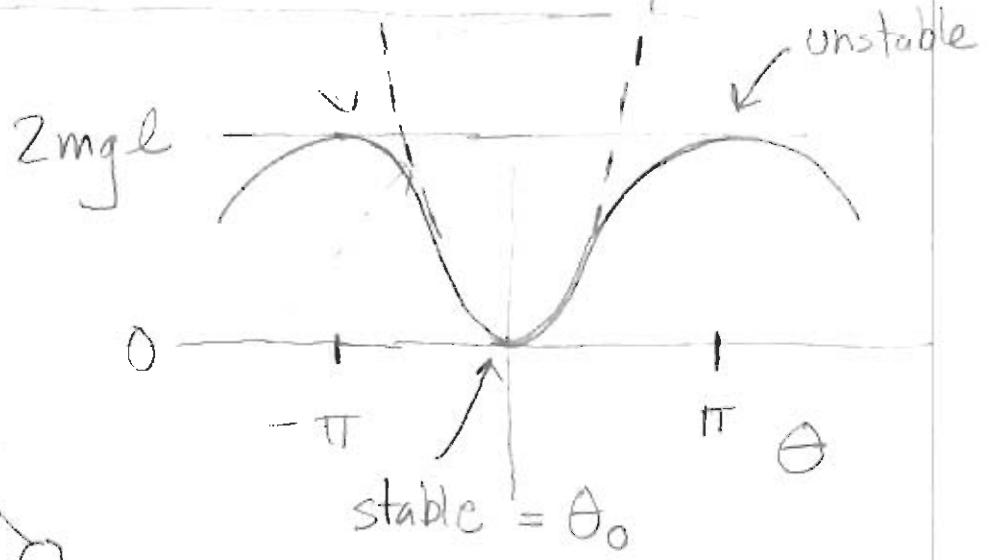
$-\frac{dU}{dx} < 0$  away from minimum  
negative

This time, moving away from point where  $\frac{dU}{dx} = 0$  gives rise to force that pushes you away from  $\frac{dU}{dx} = 0$  point.



$\frac{d^2U}{dx^2} \Big|_l < 0$  ... local energy maximum  
"unstable"

Pendulum with stiff rod



$$z = l - l \cos \theta$$

$$= l(1 - \cos \theta)$$

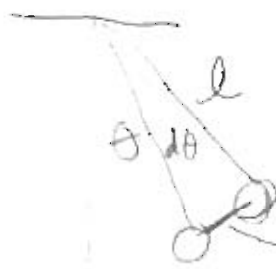
$$U(\theta) = mgl(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$U(z) = mgz$$

⇒ "parabolic approximation"

$$U(\theta) = U(\theta_0) + (\theta - \theta_0) \frac{dU}{d\theta} \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} (\theta - \theta_0)^2 \frac{d^2U}{d\theta^2} \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0} + (\text{ignore})$$



$$\text{distance} = l d\theta$$

$$\text{speed} = l \dot{\theta}$$

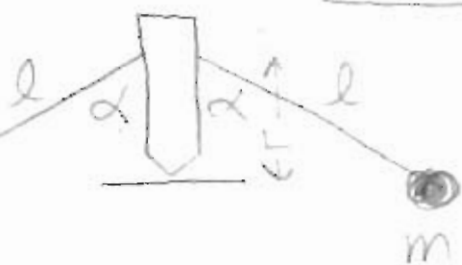
$$K = \frac{1}{2} m \cdot (\text{speed})^2 = \frac{1}{2} m l^2 \dot{\theta}^2, \quad B = m l^2$$

$$U = \frac{1}{2} m g l \theta^2, \quad A = m g l$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{A}{B}} = \sqrt{\frac{m g l}{m l^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}$$

Can approximate, for small excursions about a stable equilibrium, any potential as a simple harmonic oscillator

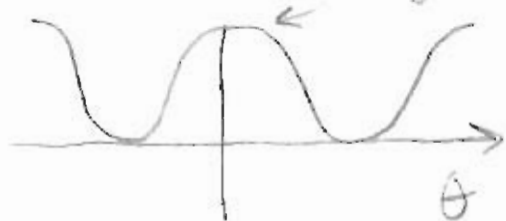
Teeter Toy (see p. 175)



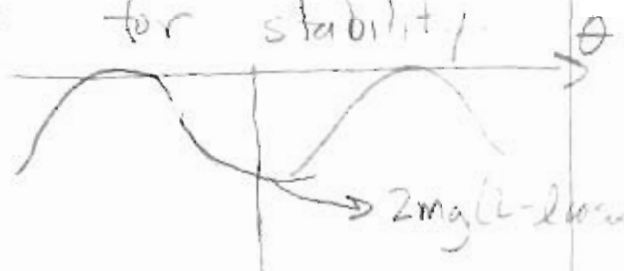
$$U(\theta) = 2mg \cos\theta (L - l \cos\theta)$$

$$2mg(L - l \cos\theta)$$

must be -  
for stability.



when  $L - l \cos\alpha > 0$



when  $L - l \cos\alpha < 0$

In either case.

$$\cos\theta \approx \cos\theta_0 + (\theta - \theta_0)(-\sin\theta_0) + \frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta_0)^2(-\cos\theta_0)$$

$$\theta_0 = 0 \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2$$

Pendulum:  $U(\theta) \approx mgl(1 - \cos\theta) \approx \frac{1}{2}mgl\theta^2$

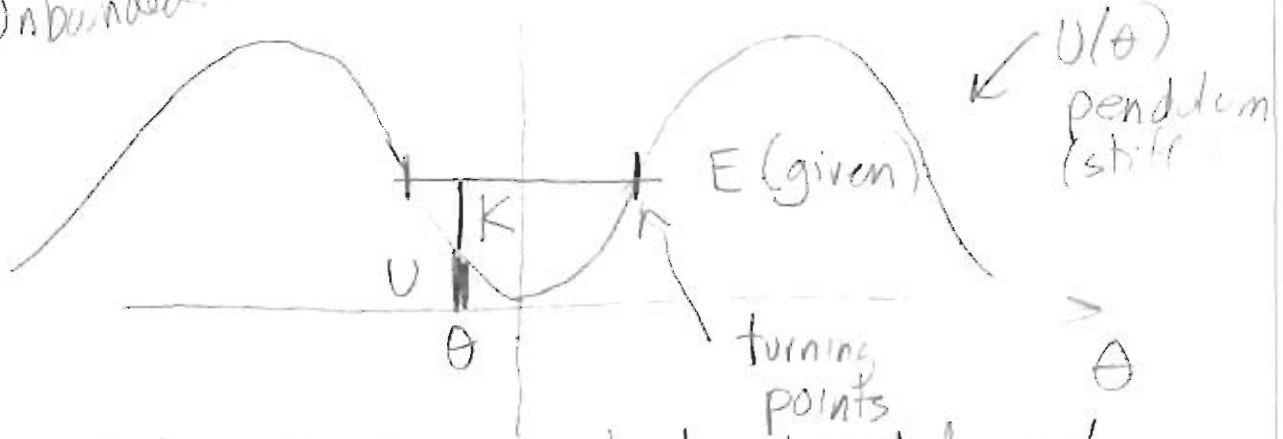
Teeter Toy:  $U(\theta) \approx 2mg(L - l \cos\alpha) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2\right)$

$< 0$                       constant

Energy Diagram

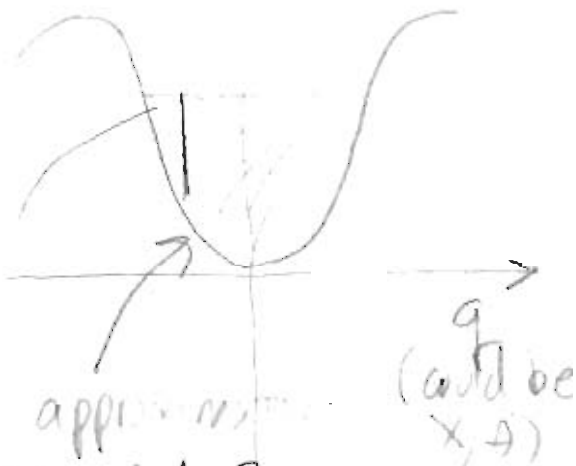
Since Total Energy  $E$  constant, following diagram graphically represents situation

Unbounded...



but  $U + K = \text{constant}$

Small Oscillation



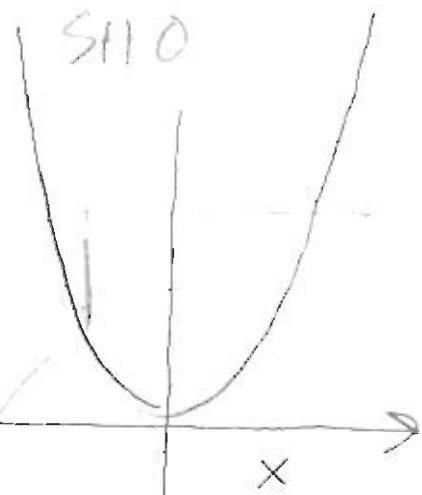
approx...

$$U = \frac{1}{2} A q^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} B \dot{q}^2$$

if you can do this, frequency of osc known!

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{B}{A}}$$



w/r to equilibrium

$$U = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

4.11 non conservative forces - read  
 4.12 actually non-conservative forces are situations where mechanical energy turns into heat

Heat ... energy put into random motion of particles (atom)

M.E.  $\rightarrow$  Heat happen

Heat  $\rightarrow$  M.E. not really

Power

$$dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = \vec{F} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$$

$\swarrow$  Joules per second  
 $\swarrow$  Watts  
 $=$  Newton-met/sec

746 W = 1 horse power

1 kilocalorie = 4200 Joules

diet = 2000-3000 kcal/day

1000 W/m<sup>2</sup> = sunlight on earth

Collisions (1-d, initial)



$m_1, m_2$   
 $u_1, u_2$  given



find  $v_1, v_2$