

Set $J(x) := \int_0^T L(t, x, \dot{x}) dt$. Since $x + \alpha\eta = x$ when $t = 0, T \Rightarrow \eta(0) = \eta(T) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
J(x + \alpha\eta) &= \int_0^T L(t, x + \alpha\eta, \dot{x} + \alpha\dot{\eta}) dt \\
&= \int_0^T L(t, x, \dot{x}) + \left(\int_0^T \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} \eta + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \dot{\eta} \right) \times \alpha dt + o(\alpha^2) \\
(\text{integration by part}) &= \int_0^T L(t, x, \dot{x}) dt + \int_0^T \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} \eta - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \eta \right) \alpha dt + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \eta \alpha \Big|_0^T + o(\alpha^2) \\
(\text{Since } \eta(0) = \eta(T) = 0) &= J(x) + \int_0^T \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) \eta \alpha dt + o(\alpha^2).
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$DJ(x)[a\eta] = \int_0^T \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) \eta \alpha dt \stackrel{\text{rep}}{=} \left\langle \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}, a\eta \right\rangle. \quad (1)$$

We can choose $\eta < 0$ when $\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} < 0$, so the positive property for inner product is still maintained.

And for bilinear and symmetric properties are trivial.

Therefore, $\boxed{\delta J = \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}}}$.

$$F = m\ddot{x} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial x}, K = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2, L = U - K, \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x}, \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) = \frac{d(m\dot{x})}{dt} = m\ddot{x} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right).$$