Physics CS 31 Fall 2010

Set #8 - for Wd Nov. 17

Read HR&K Ch. 6, Ch. 7, Ch. 13 - Sects. 13.1, 13.2, 13.3, 13.4.

Read K&K Ch. 3, Ch. 5 - Sects. 5.1 - 5.5.

Read Feynman Vol. 1 Ch. 10, Ch. 14

From HR&K:

Ch. 12 Problems 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12.

Ch. 13 Problem 6.

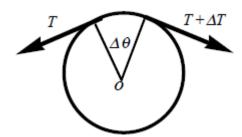
Ch. 7 Problems 2, 6.

From K&K:

Ch. 4 Problem 4.2, 4.6.

1. a) A cord moving at low speed v rubs against a round post and deviates from a straight line by a small angle $\Delta\theta$. If the tension on one side of the post is $T + \Delta T$ and on the other side is T, what is the difference ΔT introduced by friction?

b) Find the ratio of tensions at the two ends of a cord wrapped around a circular post a finite angle α and pulled so as to slip.



- **2.** The potential energy of a point particle is $U(x) = -x^2 + 2x^4$.
- a) Find the force associated with this potential energy. b) Sketch U(x) showing its essential features. c) Discuss the motion for the case E > 0. Find v at x = 0, where E is the total energy of the particle. d) Discuss the motion for E < 0.
- **3.** a) Consider the force field $\vec{F} = -Ar^3\hat{r}$ where A is a constant and \hat{r} is the radial unit

vector. Is this force conservative? If so, find the potential energy function associated with this force. b) Repeat for the force $\vec{F} = B(y^2\hat{i} - x^2\hat{j})$ where B is a constant. Find the work done by \vec{F} along the path shown below.

