

$$ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

Eq 30:

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{ds}{dt}\right)^2 = g_{ij} \dot{x}^i \dot{x}^j \Rightarrow \frac{ds}{dt} = (g_{ij} \dot{x}^i \dot{x}^j)^{1/2} = v$$

Using the chain rule for differentiation, the derivatives of the coordinates with respect to s can now be expressed in terms of their derivatives with respect to t :

Eq 31:
$$\frac{dx^i}{dt} = \frac{dx^i}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dx^i}{ds} = \frac{1}{v} \frac{dx^i}{dt}$$

Next, use Eq 1 to express derivatives with respect to S in terms of derivatives with respect to t :

$$dS^2 = 2m(E - V)g_{ij} dx^i dx^j = 2m(E - V)ds^2$$

Eq 32:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx^i}{dS} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m(E - V)}} \frac{dx^i}{ds} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m(E - V)}} \frac{1}{v} \frac{dx^i}{dt}$$

Replace v by an equivalent expression in terms of the kinetic energy, T , and use the fact that $E - V = T$. The expression for T at the end of Eq 33 can be found in reference [3] on page 72.

$$T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{v} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2T}}$$

Eq 33:
$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx^i}{dS} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2mT}} \left(\frac{m}{2T}\right)^{1/2} \dot{x}^i \Rightarrow \left(\frac{dx^i}{dS}\right)_0 = \left[\frac{1}{2T} \dot{x}^i\right]_{t=0}$$

where:
$$T = \frac{1}{2}m(\dot{r}^2 + r^2\dot{\phi}^2)$$

Since \dot{r}_0 and $\dot{\theta}_0$ are zero, Eq 33 gives zero for the first two coordinate derivatives. The third coordinate derivative is given by the following equation, where l is the angular momentum:

Eq 34:
$$\left(\frac{dx^2}{dS}\right)_0 = \frac{1}{m(r_p^2 \dot{\phi}_0^2)} \dot{\phi}_0 = \left[m\left(\frac{l}{m\dot{\phi}_0}\right)\dot{\phi}_0^2\right]^{-1} \dot{\phi}_0 = \frac{1}{l}$$