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- I. Setup the Hamiltonian for the following systems:
 1. A particle of mass m in a gravitational field of a large stationary mass M . Assume that the motion is on the xy -plane.
 2. A pendulum has a bob of mass, m , attached to the ceiling through a light string whose length, $l(t)$, is varied externally (as a known function of time). Assume that the motion is in the xy -plane under gravity.

 - II. Obtain the path followed by light in a medium whose refractive index varies radially as, $n(r, \theta) = \frac{a}{r}$, where a is +ve constant and $0 < r \leq a$. Consider rays originating from the point, $A(R, 0)$ on the x -axis and reaching different points on the y -axis; say, $B(0, R)$, $C(0, R/2)$ and $D(0, 2R)$.

 - III. Find an expression for the geodesic on the surface of a cone of half angle, α .

 - IV. Find the **general** shape of a rope hanging between two pegs under gravity. The shape of the rope is such that it minimizes its total potential energy.