Table of Contents

```
function transfer = solveLambertsProblem(initialState, finalState, TOF,
lt180, mu)
% Function that solves Lambert's Problem for a given initial and final
% state subject to a desired flight time and transfer angle either less or
% greater than 180 degrees.
    Inputs:
        - initialState: Initial state of the spacecraft
응
           - [X; Y; Z; Vx; Vy; Vz]
응
        - finalState: Final state of the spacecraft
            - [X; Y; Z; Vx; Vy; Vz]
응
        - TOF: Desired TOF, calculated from the initial and final epoch in
               SECONDS (e.g. epoch of planet 2 at arrival minus epoch of
응
               planet 1 at departure)
응
        - lt180: Whether the desired transfer angle is less than or greater
응
                 than 180 degrees
응
            - lt180 = 0: transfer angle greater than 180 degrees
            - lt180 = 1: transfer angle less than 180 degrees
응
응
        - mu: Gravitational parameter of the body governing the 2BP
응
             dynamics of the transfer
응
            - This is generally the sun
응
   Outputs:
        - transfer: Transfer output structure with the following fields:
응
            - a: Calculated transfer semi-major axis in km
            - e: Calculated transfer eccentricity (unitless)
응
응
            - TOF calc: Calculated transfer TOF in seconds
            - dTA deg: Transfer angle in degrees
응
응
            - TA1 deg: True anomaly at the start of the transfer in degrees
응
            - TA2 deg: True anomaly at the end of the transfer in degrees
응
            - Vt1: Initial velocity of transfer in km/s
응
            - Vt2: Final velocity of transfer in km/s
응
            - dV1: Delta V vector to enter the transfer in km/s
응
            - dV1 mag: Magnitude of delta V to enter the transfer in km/s
응
            - dV2: Delta V vector to exit the transfer in km/s
            - dV2 mag: Magnitude of delta V to exit the transfer in km/s
응
응
            - dV mag total: Total delta V required to execute transfer in
응
                            km/s
            - Vinfinity 1: V infinity with respect to planet 1 in km/s
응
응
            - Vinfinity 2: V infinity with respect to planet 2 in km/s
응
            - orbElems: subset of orbital elements of this transfer, saved
응
                        as a struct with fields inc, RAAN, and argPeri in
응
                        radians
9
            - type: Type of transfer (elliptical or hyperbolic)
응
90
    By: Ian Faber, 10/20/2024
% Extract initial and final states
```

```
R1 = initialState(1:3);
V1 = initialState(4:6);
R2 = finalState(1:3);
V2 = finalState(4:6);
% Find transfer angle
dTA deg = acosd(dot(R1,R2)/(norm(R1)*norm(R2)));
   % Want dTA to be within [0, 360] deg
dTA 1 deg = abs(dTA deg);
dTA 2 deg = 360 - dTA 1 deg;
if lt180 % Extract transfer angle that's less than 180 degrees
    if dTA 1 deg < 180
        dTA deg = dTA 1 deg;
    else
        dTA_deg = dTA 2 deg;
else % Extract transfer angle that's greater than 180 degrees
    if dTA 1 deg > 180
        dTA deg = dTA 1 deg;
    else
        dTA deg = dTA 2 deg;
    end
end
% Calculate space triangle
r1 = norm(R1);
r2 = norm(R2);
c = sqrt(r1^2 + r2^2 - 2*r1*r2*cosd(dTA deg));
s = 0.5*(r1 + r2 + c);
% Calculate parabolic TOF
if 1t180
    TOF p = (1/3) * sqrt(2/mu) * (s^(3/2) - (s-c)^(3/2));
    TOF p = (1/3) * sqrt(2/mu) * (s^(3/2) + (s-c)^(3/2));
end
if TOF p < TOF % Elliptical transfer needed
    ellipse = true;
    type = "Elliptical";
else % Hyperbolic transfer needed
    ellipse = false;
    type = "Hyperbolic";
end
% Calculate minimum energy transfer TOF
amin = s/2;
nmin = sqrt(mu/(amin)^3);
alphamin = pi;
betamin0 = 2*asin(sqrt((s-c)/s));
if dTA deg < 180
    betamin = betamin0;
else
```

```
betamin = -betamin0;
end
TOFmin = (1/nmin)*((alphamin - betamin) - (sin(alphamin) - sin(betamin)));
if TOF < TOFmin
    shortTOF = 1;
else
    shortTOF = 0;
end
% Solve for a of transfer
a = solveLambertsEq(mu, s, c, TOF, shortTOF, lt180, ellipse);
% Recreate alpha and beta
if ellipse
    alpha0 = 2*asin(sqrt(s/(2*a)));
    beta0 = 2*asin(sqrt((s-c)/(2*a)));
else
    alpha0 = 2*asinh(sqrt(s/(2*abs(a))));
    beta0 = 2*asinh(sqrt((s-c)/(2*abs(a))));
end
if shortTOF
    alpha = alpha0;
else
    alpha = 2*pi - alpha0;
end
if lt180
   beta = beta0;
else
    beta = -beta0;
end
n = sqrt(mu/(a^3));
% Calculate resulting TOF
if ellipse
    TOF calc = (1/n)*((alpha - beta) - (sin(alpha) - sin(beta)));
else
    if lt180
        TOF calc = (1/n)*(sinh(alpha) - alpha - (sinh(beta) - beta));
    else
        TOF calc = (1/n)*(sinh(alpha) - alpha + (sinh(beta) - beta));
    end
end
% Calculate eccentricity
p = ((4*a*(s-r1)*(s-r2))/(c^2))*(sin(0.5*(alpha+beta)))^2;
e = sqrt(1-(p/a));
% Calculate true anomaly at start and end of transfer
TA1 deg init = acosd((1/e)*(p/r1 - 1));
```

```
TA2 deg init = acosd((1/e)*(p/r2 - 1));
% Check for correct TA combination
sit = 1;
minDiff = 1000; % Dummy variable for storing the last minimum difference
while true
    switch sit
        case 1
            TA1 deg = TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = TA2_deg_init;
        case 2
            TA1 deg = -TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = TA2 deg init;
        case 3
            TA1 deg = TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = -TA2 deg init;
             TA1 deg = -TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = -TA2 deg init;
        case 5
            TA1 deg = 360 - TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = TA2 deg init;
        case 6
            TA1 deg = -(360 - TA1 deg init);
            TA2 deg = TA2 deg init;
            TA1 deg = 360 - TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = -TA2 deg init;
        case 8
            TA1 deg = -(360 - TA1 \text{ deg init});
            TA2 deg = -TA2 deg init;
        case 9
            TA1 deg = TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = 360 - TA2 deg init;
        case 10
            TA1 deg = -TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = 360 - TA2 deg init;
             TA1 deg = TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = -(360 - TA2 \text{ deg init});
        case 12
            TA1 deg = -TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = -(360 - TA2 \text{ deg init});
        case 13
            TA1 deg = 360 - TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = 360 - TA2 deg init;
        case 14
            TA1 deg = -(360 - TA1 \text{ deg init});
            TA2 deg = 360 - TA2 deg init;
        case 15
            TA1 deg = 360 - TA1 deg init;
            TA2 deg = -(360 - TA2 \text{ deg init});
        case 16
             TA1 deg = -(360 - TA1 deg init);
```

```
TA2 deg = -(360 - TA2 \text{ deg init});
    end
    dTA check = TA2 deg - TA1 deg;
    if abs(dTA check - dTA deg) < minDiff
        minDiff = abs(dTA check - dTA deg);
        tempTA1 = TA1 deg;
        tempTA2 = TA2 deq;
    end
    if sit < 16 % Only test these 16 combinations
        sit = sit + 1; % Iterate to the next check
    else
        break % Tested all combinations!
end
TA1 deg = tempTA1;
TA2 deg = tempTA2;
% Calculate velocities at start and end of transfer
f = 1 - (r2/p)*(1-cosd(dTA deg));
g = ((r2*r1)/sqrt(mu*p))*sind(dTA deg);
fDot = sqrt(mu/p)*tand(dTA deg/2)*(((1-cosd(dTA deg))/p) - (1/r2) - (1/r1));
gDot = 1 - (r1/p)*(1-cosd(dTA deg));
Vt1 = (1/q) * (R2 - f*R1);
Vt2 = fDot*R1 + gDot*Vt1;
% Calculate delta V's
dV1 = Vt1 - V1;
dV1 mag = norm(dV1);
dV2 = V2 - Vt2;
dV2 mag = norm(dV2);
dV mag total = dV1 mag + dV2 mag;
% Calculate Vinfinities: Vinfinity = norm(V s/c - V planet)
Vinfinity 1 = norm(Vt1 - V1);
Vinfinity 2 = norm(Vt2 - V2);
% Calculate orbital elements of transfer
vt1 = norm(Vt1);
r1 = norm(R1);
h \text{ vec} = cross(R1,Vt1);
e vec = ((vt1^2 - (mu/r1))*R1 - dot(R1, Vt1)*Vt1)/mu;
n \text{ vec} = cross([0;0;1],h \text{ vec});
orbElems.inc = acos(dot(h vec, [0;0;1])/norm(h vec));
orbElems.RAAN = acos(dot(n vec, [1;0;0])/norm(n vec))*sign(dot(n vec,
[0;1;0]));
orbElems.argPeri = acos(dot(n vec,e vec)/
(norm(n vec)*norm(e vec)))*sign(dot(e vec, [0;0;1]));
% Assign outputs
transfer.a = a;
```

```
transfer.e = e;
transfer.TOF calc = TOF calc;
transfer.dTA deg = dTA deg;
transfer.TA1 deg = TA1 deg;
transfer.TA2 deg = TA2 deg;
transfer.Vt1 = Vt1;
transfer.Vt2 = Vt2;
transfer.dV1 = dV1;
transfer.dV1 mag = dV1 mag;
transfer.dV2 = dV2;
transfer.dV2 mag = dV2 mag;
transfer.dV mag total = dV mag total;
transfer.Vinfinity_1 = Vinfinity_1;
transfer.Vinfinity 2 = Vinfinity 2;
transfer.orbElems = orbElems;
transfer.type = type;
```

end

Published with MATLAB® R2023b