

# ASEN 5050 Fall 2023 HW 4 Solutions

## Problem 1

given:

$$\vec{r}_i = -720000\hat{x} + 670000\hat{y} + 310000\hat{z} \text{ km}$$

$$\vec{v}_i = 2.160\hat{x} - 3.360\hat{y} + 0.620\hat{z} \text{ km/s}$$

$$GM_{\text{Saturn}} = 3.794 \times 10^9 \text{ km}^3/\text{s}^2$$

$$r_{\text{Saturn}} = 60268 \text{ km}$$

from HW3:

$$E = -28.62 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}$$

$$a = 6.6278 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$$

$$e = 0.9102$$

$$i = 62.1^\circ$$

$$\Omega = 127.45^\circ$$

$$\omega = -172.28^\circ$$

$$h = 2.077 \times 10^6$$

$$\vec{h} = 1.457 \times 10^6 \hat{x} + 1.116 \times 10^6 \hat{y} + 9.72 \times 10^5 \hat{z} \text{ km}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\theta_2^* = -13.17^\circ$$

$$\theta_1^* = -167.83^\circ$$

note: E always in radians,  $[-\pi, \pi]$

$$\tan\left(\frac{E}{2}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{1-e^2}}{\sqrt{1+e^2}} \tan\left(\frac{\theta^*}{2}\right)$$

sign check: if  $\theta^* > 0$ ,  $E > 0$

$$M = n(t - t_p) = E - e \sin E$$

$$n = \sqrt{\mu/a^3}$$

assume: 2BP, Saturn is a sphere,  $GM_{\text{SLC}} \ll GM_{\text{Saturn}} \therefore \mu \approx GM_{\text{Saturn}}$

$$E = 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{1-e^2}}{\sqrt{1+e^2}} \tan\left(\frac{\theta^*}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$E_1 = -2.2278 \text{ rads} = 4.0554 \text{ rad}$$

$$E_2 = -0.05 \text{ rads} = 6.2331 \text{ rad}$$

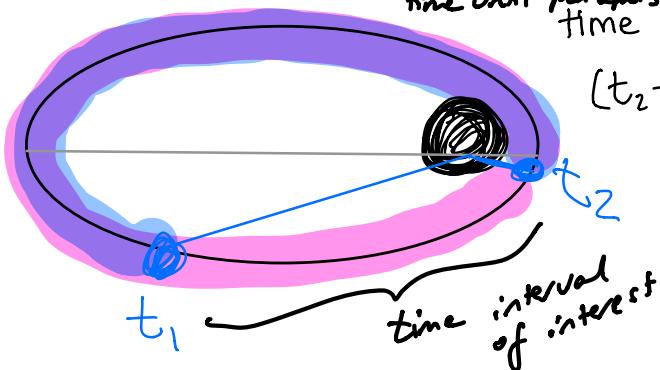
$$n = \text{mean motion} = \sqrt{\frac{GM_{\text{Saturn}}}{a^3}} = 1.1415 \times 10^{-5} \text{ rads/s}$$

$$(t_1 - t_p) = \frac{1}{n} (E_1 - e \sin E_1) = -1.3202 \times 10^5 \text{ sec} = \underbrace{4.1839 \times 10^5 \text{ s}}_{\text{time past perapse}}$$

$$(t_2 - t_p) = \frac{1}{n} (E_2 - e \sin E_2) = -395.322 \text{ sec} = \underbrace{5.5001 \times 10^5 \text{ s}}_{\text{time until perapse}}$$

time for S/C to travel from 1 to 2:

$$(t_2 - t_1) = (t_2 - t_p) - (t_1 - t_p)$$



$$t_2 - t_1 = 1.3162 \times 10^5 \text{ sec} = 36.56 \text{ hours}$$

Problem 2:

$$\text{At } t_1: \vec{R}_1 = 1.89737 \cdot 10^6 \hat{x} - 4.08985 \cdot 10^6 \hat{y} - 4.59509 \cdot 10^6 \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{V}_1 = 0.133694 \hat{x} - 0.546366 \hat{y} + 0.369530 \hat{z} \text{ km/s}$$

Assume Jupiter-S/C 2BP  $\therefore \mu = G(m_{\text{Jupiter}} + m_{\text{SC}}) \approx G(m_{\text{Jupiter}}) = 1.268 \cdot 10^8 \text{ km}^3/\text{s}^2$

a) Calculate  $\theta_i^*$  and  $E_i$  at  $t_1$ .

Calculate  $\epsilon$  and  $a$ :

$$r_1 = |\vec{R}_1| = 6.4375 \cdot 10^5 \text{ km}$$

$$v_1 = |\vec{V}_1| = 0.6730 \text{ km/s}$$

$$\epsilon = v_1^2/2 - \mu/r_1$$

$$\therefore \epsilon = -19.4706 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$$

$$a = -\mu/2\epsilon$$

$$\therefore a = 3.2562 \cdot 10^6 \text{ km}$$

msc  $\ll M_{\text{Jupiter}}$

Calculate  $h$ :

$$\bar{h} = \vec{R}_1 \times \vec{V}_1$$

$$\therefore \bar{h} = -4.02 \cdot 10^6 \hat{x} - 1.32 \cdot 10^6 \hat{y} - 0.49 \hat{z} \text{ km}^2/\text{s}$$

$$h = |\bar{h}|$$

$$\therefore h = 4.2597 \cdot 10^6 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}$$

Calculate  $e$ :

$$e = \sqrt{1 + 2h^2/\mu^2}$$

$$\therefore e = 0.9778$$

Calculate  $\theta_i^*$

$$p = a(1-e^2) = 1.4310 \cdot 10^5 \text{ km}$$

$$\theta_i^* = \pm \cos^{-1}(p/(r_1 e) - 1/e) \rightarrow$$

$$\therefore \theta_i^* = 3.1374 \text{ rad} = 179.7584^\circ$$

$$\vec{R}_1 \cdot \vec{V}_1 = 7.09 \times 10^5 > 0$$

$$\therefore \theta_i^* = [0^\circ, 180^\circ]$$

Calculate  $E_i$ :

$$r = a(1 - e \cos(E))$$

$$E = \cos^{-1}((1-r/a)/e) \rightarrow$$

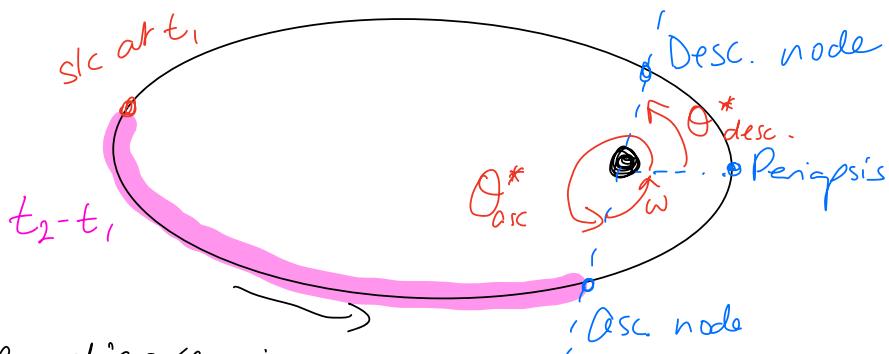
$$\therefore E = 3.1018 \text{ rad}$$

Because  $\theta_i^* = [0^\circ, 180^\circ]$ ,  $E_i = [0, \pi] \text{ rad}$

b) Calculate  $\theta_2^*$  and  $E_2$  at  $t_2$  when the s/c crosses the eq. plane after  $t_1$

Note: s/c crosses equatorial plane (in this case, XY plane) at both the ascending and descending nodes.  
 → Need to calculate their  $\theta^*$

Consider a conceptual diagram:



From the diagram:

$$\theta_{asc}^* = -\omega \quad \theta_{desc}^* = 180^\circ - \omega$$

Calculate argument of perigee:

$$\bar{n} = \hat{z} \times \bar{h} = (1.3155 \hat{x} - 4.0218 \hat{y}) \cdot 10^6 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\bar{e} = \bar{v}_1 \times \bar{h} / \mu - \bar{r}_1 / r_1 = -0.2888 \hat{x} + 0.6241 \hat{y} + 0.6951 \hat{z}$$

$$\omega = \cos^{-1}(\bar{n} \cdot \bar{e}) / (\|\bar{n}\| \|\bar{e}\|) \quad * \text{check } e_2 > 0 \therefore \omega > 0$$

$$\therefore \omega = 2.3441 \text{ rad} = 134.3056^\circ$$

$$\theta_{asc}^* = -\omega = -2.3441 \text{ rad} = -134.3056^\circ$$

$$\theta_{desc}^* = \theta_{asc}^* + 180^\circ = 0.7975 \text{ rad} = 45.6944^\circ$$

From the diagram, the s/c will first pass through the ascending node after  $t_1$ ,  
 (Note: if  $\omega$  had different value, we might need to redraw a more accurate diagram)

Since  $\theta_1^* > \theta_{desc}^*$  the s/c will cross the eq. plane at the ascending node

$$\therefore \theta_2^* = \theta_{asc}^* = -2.3441 \text{ rad} = -134.3056^\circ$$

$$E_2 = 2\arctan\left(\sqrt{\frac{1-e^2}{1+e^2}} \tan\left(\frac{\theta_2^*}{2}\right)\right)$$

$$\therefore E_2 = -0.4929 \text{ rad} = 5.7903 \text{ rad}$$

c) Calculate the time between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  in days

Calculate Mean Motion ( $n$ ):

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{a^3}}$$

$$\therefore n = 1.9164 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

Calculate time difference

a) Be sure  $\rightarrow (t_2 - t_p) = \frac{1}{n} (E_2 - e \sin(E_2))$

b) wrap  $E_2 \quad \therefore (t_2 - t_p) = 3.2628 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$

to  $2\pi$  to

get appropriate  $t_2 - t_p = (t_2 - t_p) - (t_1 - t_p)$

answer  $\therefore \Delta t_{1 \rightarrow 2} = 1.6646 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s} \Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta t_{1 \rightarrow 2} = 19.2658 \text{ days}}$

$$(t_1 - t_p) = \frac{1}{n} (E_1 - e \sin(E_1))$$

$$\therefore (t_1 - t_p) = 1.5982 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s}$$

d) Possible Method: Use Newton's method with update equation

$$E_{i+1} = E_i - (E_i - e \sin(E_i) - M) / (1 - e \cos(E_i))$$

• where  $M$  is an initial guess input for  $E_0$  as well

\* what tolerances did you choose for this problem?

Possible Stopping conditions:  $|g(E_i)| = |E_i - e \sin(E_i) - M| < tol_g$

$|E_{i+1} - E_i| < tol_e$  (but check  $g(E_i)$  after)

$i < maxiterations$

e)  $t_3$  occurs 25 days after  $t_1$ . Calculate  $E_3$  (to 4 decimal places). Calculate altitude at  $t_3$  and determine if s/c is moving toward or away from periaxis

$$(t_3 - t_p) = (t_1 - t_p) + (25 \text{ days}) \left( \frac{86400 \text{ s}}{\text{day}} \right) \Rightarrow (t_3 - t_p) = 3.7582 \cdot 10^6 \text{ s} \text{ or } 4.7966 \cdot 10^5 \text{ s}$$

$$(* 3.7582 \cdot 10^5 > 10^6)$$

$$\Rightarrow 4.7966 \cdot 10^5 = 3.7582 \cdot 10^6 - 10^6$$

$$M_3 = n(t_3 - t_p) = 7.2024 \text{ rad} \\ = 0.9192 \text{ rad}$$

e (cont.)

$E_3$  is then found numerically from the method implemented in part d)

Using  $E_{3,0} = M_3$  and  $\text{tol}_E = 10^{-5}$  rad (E accurate to 4 dec places)  
 $\therefore E_3 = 1.8572 \text{ rad}$  (Check:  $g(E_3) = 10^{-6} \text{ rad}$ )

Since  $E_3$  is  $[0, \pi]$  rad range [the s/c is moving away from periaxis]

Calculate altitude at  $t_3$

$$r_3 = a(1 - e \cos(E_3)) = 4.1556 \cdot 10^6 \text{ km}$$

$$\text{alt}_3 = r_3 - R_{\text{JUPITER}}$$

$$\therefore \text{alt}_3 = 4.0841 \cdot 10^6 \text{ km}$$

$$R_{\text{JUPITER}} = 71492 \text{ km} \leftarrow \text{Given}$$

Assume Jupiter is a sphere