

Assignment 2

Mars orbit

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Initial Steps:

1. **Get time as days:** the function `get_times(data)` is used to convert, `['year', 'month', 'day', 'hour', 'minute']` as days. The 1st date is considered as 0
2. **Convert oppositions to degrees:** from given `['zodiacIndex', 'degree', 'minute', 'second']`, converted it to degrees and every `zodiacIndex` covers 30 degrees and 1st `zodiacIndex` is 0

Q1. MarsEquantModel(c, r, e1, e2, z, s, times, oppositions)

1. **Centre:** we have the angle ' c ' of centre from sun, and the distance is 1. We calculate c_x and c_y from this.
2. **Equant:** we have $e1$: the distance of equant from sun and $e2$: the angle between 'aries', 'sun' and 'equant'. So, we calculate e_x and e_y with the angle $(e2 + z)$ as z is the angle from 'aries' for equant 0.
3. **Observation Offset Angle (d):** we convert the days of observation to angle using angular velocity ' s ' of mars. And add ' z ' because ' z ' is the angle between 'aries' and 1st sample day of mars.
4. **Get intersection point of prediction line on circle:** using the formulas:

$$(x - c_x)^2 + (y - c_y)^2 = r^2$$
$$(y - e_y) = (x - e_x) * \tan(d)$$

solving the equations we get $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$ we get the correct point using coordinate of d . if d is in 1st or 4th coordinate we select positive x and corresponding y value or else do otherwise.

5. **Get the angle:** using $\tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x}$ we get the angle (calculated angle) and we subtract this with given angle.
6. **Max Error:** max error is the absolute max error for all 12 data points.

Q2. bestOrbitInnerParams(r, s, times, oppositions)

1. **Finding c, e1, e2, z:** using discretised exhaustive search (with given $r, s, \text{times}, \text{oppositions}$) using `MarsEquantModel` `maxError` and choose the minimum error parameters.
2. **Minimize:** then we are calling `scipy.minimize` with `maxError` from Q1

Q3. bestS(r, times, oppositions)

1. **Discretise s in range of (360 / 686, 360 / 688):** then call the `MarsEquantModel` and similarly choose the minimum error ' s '
2. **Continue:** continue the same with the neighbours of best ' s '

Q4. bestR(s, times, oppositions)

1. **Take initial 'r'**: take initial 'r' as some value between 1 – 10 (7)
 - a. **Find Error**: find error for the selected 'r' and store it
 - b. **Get new 'r'**: get new 'r' by getting all the distances of intersection points and getting average of them.
 - c. **Exit loop**: exit loop after some iteration (10) or error range exceeding (7-9)
2. **Update initial 'r'**: update initial 'r' by 0.15
3. **Exit loop**: exit loop after some fixed iteration number (6)

Q5. bestMarsOrbitParams(times, oppositions)

1. **Initialize**: $s = 360 / 687$
2. **Until error is less than 4/60 degrees**: we do the update of variables until we get acceptable maxError.
 - a. **Get Best 'r'**: using the function of Q4 we get best 'r' and send the initialized 's' value.
 - b. **Get Best 's'**: using the function in Q3 we get best 's' and send the 'r' value we get in previous line.
3. **Get other values**: get other parameters (c, e1, e2, z) from 'bestOrbitInnerParams'. And return the 'errors' and 'maxError' with it.

Output:

Fit parameters: $r = 8.2000$, $s = 0.5241$, $c = 148.9097$, $e1 = 1.5231$, $e2 = 92.9734$, $z = 55.8350$

The maximum angular error = 0.0464

