Major Axis – The Longest Space Path!



The Oval Path

Planets fly around the Sun in a big, oval-shaped circle. We call this their orbit!



The Longest Line

The **Major Axis** is the longest line you can draw across that oval orbit. It's like the biggest racetrack in space!

Semi-Major Axis – Half the Space Path!

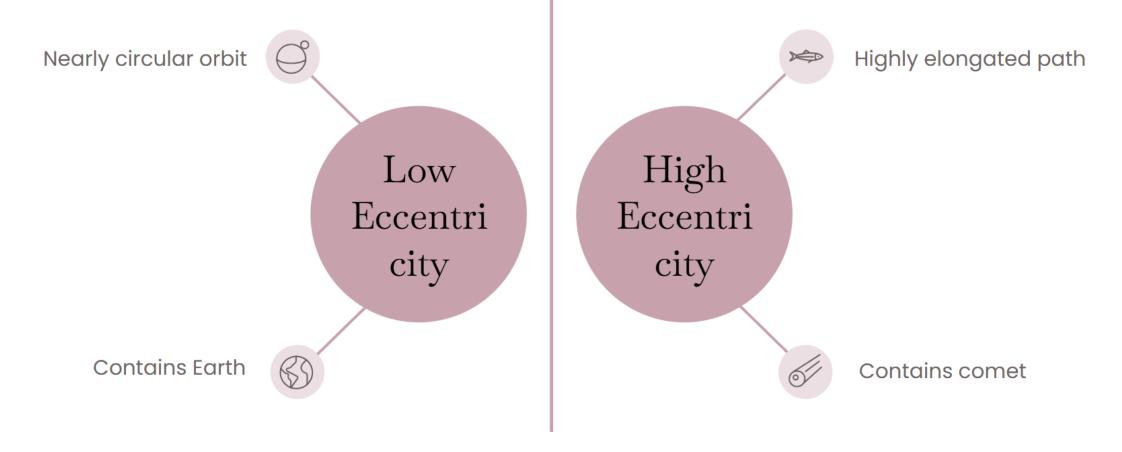
If the Major Axis is the whole racetrack, the **Semi-Major Axis** is exactly half of it!

Think of it as finding the middle of the longest line. It tells scientists how far a planet is, on average, from the Sun.

It's an important number for knowing where a planet should be!

Astro is zooming halfway across the orbit to mark the spot!

Eccentricity



Eccentricity is a big word that just means: Is the planet's path a perfect circle or is it squished like an egg?

Close to Zero

If the number is very small (like zero), the orbit is a perfect, happy circle!

Close to One

If the number is bigger (close to one), the orbit is very squished and oval-shaped!

Megatons – Super Big Boom Power!

A **Megaton** is a way to measure how much power is in a huge explosion or burst of energy!

- > One megaton is like a **billion** super loud firecrackers going off all at once!
- > Scientists use this number to talk about very powerful things, like energy released by the Sun or giant space events.
- ➤ It helps us understand the biggest forces in the universe, safely from here on Earth!

Regional Focus – Zooming In on a Place!

When scientists talk about a **Regional Focus**, it means they are studying one special area very, very closely.



Magnifying Glass

They zoom in, like using a big magnifying glass, to learn all the tiny details.



Special Spot

This could be one country, one city, or even just one special forest!



Deep Learning

By focusing on a region, we can understand it much better than looking at the whole world at once.

Impact Points – Where Space Rocks Land!

Sometimes, small rocks from space (like meteors) zoom toward Earth. The spot where they hit the ground is called the **Impact Point**!

It's the target spot for any falling space object! Scientists track these spots to see where the space visitors have landed.

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Space Rock Flies

A little rock travels through space and comes close to Earth.

It Falls Down

The rock starts falling toward the ground very, very fast.

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The Impact Point

The place on Earth where it lands is the official impact point!

Population Density - How Many People Live Here?

Population Density is a fancy way to ask: How crowded is this place?

Crowded City

In a big city, lots and lots of people live close together. The density is **HIGH!**



Open Countryside

In the countryside, there are fewer people and lots of open space. The density is LOW!



Augmented Reality – Space in Your Room!

Augmented Reality (AR) is super cool technology that mixes real life with computer pictures!



Look Through a Screen

You look at your phone or tablet to see the magic happen.



Digital Magic

Computer pictures pop out and look like they are right in your room!



Real Life + Space

You can see a big planet floating next to your favorite toy box!