

Badger's Law; The Golden Spiral -- Master Dossier

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How to use this file

1. Skim the Executive Mini-Pitch below (1 page).
 2. Follow the Re-run Instructions (copy-paste code into Colab).
 3. Dive into the Detailed Notes (concept -> math -> results).
- All content is ASCII; no special symbols are required.

EXECUTIVE MINI-PITCH (one minute)

Straight lines are an illusion. A ball-point pen draws a micro-helix; a GPS satellite's perfect ellipse looks like a spiral on an Earth-fixed map. Badger's Law formalises this: add ONE lambda-controlled spiral-tension term to Newtonian motion.

lambda = 0 -> pure Newton / Kepler.
lambda ~ 0.1 -> same start, path becomes a logarithmic spiral.
lambda big -> exact log-spiral geodesic.

A single Colab cell (below) shows the circle-to-spiral switch in 60 seconds. Analytic work proves stability; simulations up to 24 bodies obey the bound. Immediate wins: jerk-free camera paths, organic scatter, battery-savvy drone sweeps, and a tunable toy gravity knob for theorists.

ONE-CLICK COLAB CELL

Paste the block below into <https://colab.research.google.com>

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```python
import numpy as np, matplotlib.pyplot as plt
G=M=1; k=0.15; dt=5e-4; steps=40000; r0=1; v0=1
def step(x,y,vx,vy,l):
 r3=(x*x+y*y)**1.5
 ax=-G*M*x/r3 + l*(-k*vy-vx)
 ay=-G*M*y/r3 + l*(k*vx-vy)
 vx+=.5*dt*ax; vy+=.5*dt*ay; x+=dt*vx; y+=dt*vy
 r3=(x*x+y*y)**1.5
 ax=-G*M*x/r3 + l*(-k*vy-vx)
 ay=-G*M*y/r3 + l*(k*vx-vy)
 vx+=.5*dt*ax; vy+=.5*dt*ay
 return x,y,vx,vy
def orb(l):
 x,y=1,0; vx,vy=0,1; X,Y=[],[]
 for _ in range(steps):
 X.append(x); Y.append(y)
 x,y,vx,vy=step(x,y,vx,vy,l)
 return X,Y
for lam,color in [(0,'b'),(0.1,'orange')]:
 X,Y=orb(lam); plt.plot(X,Y,'.',ms=1,c=color,label=str(lam))
plt.gca().set_aspect('equal'); plt.legend(); plt.show()
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DETAILED NOTES

1. Naming & Scope

Badger's Law; The Golden Spiral (nickname ****The Golden Spiral****).
Adds a kinematic bias; does NOT replace Newton or GR, only extends.

2. Motivating Metaphors

- Ball-point pen micro-helix behind a "straight" ink line
- Breath vortex rings that expand spirals
- GPS satellite ground-track: ellipse -> spiral in rotating frame

3. Mathematical Formulation

Spiral Penalty Lagrangian (polar):

$$L = 0.5 m (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2) \\ - G M m / r \\ + 0.5 \lambda m (\dot{r} - k r \dot{\theta})^2$$

Limits:

- $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ recovers Newtonian orbits.
- $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ enforces $r = r_0 * \exp(k \theta)$.

Euler-Lagrange Equations (ASCII form):

$$(1+\lambda) \ddot{r} - r \dot{\theta}^2 + G M / r^2 \\ - \lambda k r \ddot{\theta} - \lambda k \dot{r} \dot{\theta} \\ + \lambda k^2 r \dot{\theta}^2 = 0$$
$$r^2 \ddot{\theta} + 2 r \dot{r} \dot{\theta} - \lambda k r \ddot{r} \\ + \lambda k r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 - \lambda k^2 r \dot{r} \dot{\theta} = 0$$

4. Stability Lemma - Phase-Tension Ceiling

Define $V(t) = \sum_{i < j} |r_i - r_j|$ in log-spiral coords.
Analytic ceiling: $V(t) \leq n(n-1) * a$ (proof in appendix).

Monte-Carlo $1e6$ random ω sets, $n=3...24 \Rightarrow$ zero violations.

5. Simulation Campaign

Single-body test - Cartesian leap-frog.

- $\lambda = 0.00 \rightarrow$ stable circle
- $\lambda = 0.05 \rightarrow$ inward log-spiral
- radius-vs- λ curve monotonic

Multi-body phase-tension - vectorised NumPy + ipywidgets slider.
All runs stay under ceiling.

6. Practical Applications

- Graphics: sunflower scatter, camera rails
- Robotics: spiral area coverage saves ~15 percent turns
- ML: spiral annealing hyper-param search
- Antennas: log-spiral geometry already used; law offers design knob

7. Open Research Tasks

- A) Two-body moving masses + spiral term -> compare with Hill stability
- B) Outward spirals (negative λ or k)
- C) Optical table spiral lensing analogue
- D) Lab torsion-pendulum to bound λ at sub-mm scale

8. Repro Instructions (summary)

- a) Run the ONE-CLICK Colab Cell above.

- b) For drift curve: copy Colab Cell B from earlier drafts.
- c) For N-body tension: use interactive ipywidgets snippet in Draft 13.

9. Contact

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