



Sphere of Influence Problems



Problem No. 01

Determine earth related radii of **SOI** for **Moon & Mars**.
($M_{\text{Earth}} = 5.972 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$).

$$R_{E-\text{Moon}} = 3,86,000 \text{ km}; \quad R_{E-\text{Mars}} = 78,390,000 \text{ km}$$
$$m_{\text{Moon}} = 7.3477 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}; \quad m_{\text{Mars}} = 6.39 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg}$$



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The **SOI** solutions are as **follows**.

$$r_{SOI-Moon} = 386000 \times \left(\frac{7.349 \times 10^{22}}{3 \times 5.975 \times 10^{24}} \right)^{0.333} = 61,791 km$$
$$r_{SOI-Mars} = 78390000 \times \left(\frac{6.442 \times 10^{23}}{3 \times 5.975 \times 10^{24}} \right)^{0.3333} = 25,871,960 km$$