

# Ferrers Potential in galpy

## 1. Variables and Units

amp – Amplitude to be applied to the potential (default: 1); can be a Quantity with units of mass or  $G \times \text{mass}$   
a – Scale radius (can be Quantity)  
n – Power of Ferrers density ( $n > 0$ ), not necessarily integer, calculations generally fail for  $n > 4$   
b – y-to-x axis ratio of the density, usually  $b < a$   
c – z-to-x axis ratio of the density, usually  $c < b$   
 $\Omega_b$  – pattern speed of the bar,  $\vec{\Omega}_b = \hat{e}_z \Omega_b$   
zvec – If set, a unit vector that corresponds to the z axis  
pa – If set, the position angle of the x axis (rad or Quantity)  
glorder – If set, compute the relevant force and potential integrals with Gaussian quadrature of this order  
normalize – if True, normalize such that  $v_c(1., 0.) = 1.$ , or, if given as a number, such that the force is this fraction of the force necessary to make  $v_c(1., 0.) = 1.$ .  
 $r_0, v_0$  – Distance and velocity scales for translation into internal units (default from configuration file)

## 2. Functions

(... those I have written so far, all for time-independent potential in a frame of reference which is aligned with axes of the potential)

### 2.1. Evaluate

Purpose: Evaluation of the potential as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \frac{-\text{amp}bc}{4(n+1)} \Phi' \quad (1)$$

```
def _evaluate_xyz(self, x, y, z):  
    return -1/4/(self.n+1)*self._b*self._c*_potInt(x, y, z, self._a2, self._b2,  
self._c2, self.n, glx=self._glx, glw=self._glw)
```

### 2.2. X Force

Purpose: Evaluation of the x component of the force as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

$$F_x = \frac{-\text{amp}bc}{2} \Theta'_1 \quad (2)$$

```
def _xforce_xyz(self, x, y, z):  
    return 1/2*self._b*self._c*_forceInt(x, y, z, self._a2, self._b2, self._c2, 0,  
self.n, glx=self._glx, glw=self._glw)
```

### 2.3. Y Force

Purpose: Evaluation of the y component of the force as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

$$F_x = \frac{-\text{amp}bc}{2} \Theta'_2 \quad (3)$$

```
def _yforce_xyz(self,x,y,z):
    return 1/2*self._b*self._c*_forceInt(x,y,z,self._a2,self._b2,self._c2,1,
self.n,glx=self._glx,glw=self._glw)
```

### 2.4. Z Force

Purpose: Evaluation of the z component of the force as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

$$F_x = \frac{-\text{amp}bc}{2} \Theta'_3 \quad (4)$$

```
def _zforce_xyz(self,x,y,z):
    return 1/2*self._b*self._c*_forceInt(x,y,z,self._a2,self._b2,self._c2,2,
self.n,glx=self._glx,glw=self._glw)
```

### 2.5. Density

Purpose: Evaluation of the density as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame from cylindrical coordinates given as input

$$\rho(x,y,z) = \frac{\text{amp}}{4\pi a^3} (1 - (m/a)^2)^n, \quad (5)$$

where

$$m^2 = x'^2 + \frac{y'^2}{b^2} + \frac{z'^2}{c^2} \quad (6)$$

```
def _dens(self,R,z,phi=0.,t=0.):
    x,y,z= bovy_coords.cyl_to_rect(R,phi,z)
    if self._aligned:
        xp, yp, zp= x, y, z
    else:
        xyzp= numpy.dot(self._rot,numpy.array([x,y,z]))
        xp, yp, zp= xyzp[0], xyzp[1], xyzp[2]
        m2 = xp**2.+yp**2./self._b2+zp**2./self._c2
    return 1/(4*numpy.pi*self.a**3)*(1-m2/self.a**2)**self.n
```

### 2.6. General Second Derivative

Purpose: General 2nd derivative of the potential as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

```
def _2ndderiv_xyz(self,x,y,z,i,j):
    return -1/4*self._b*self._c*_2ndDerivInt(x,y,z,self._a2,self._b2,self._c2,i,j,self.n,glx=self._glx,glw=self._glw)
```

## 2.7. Integration for Potential

Purpose: Evaluation of the z component of the force as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

$$\Phi' = \int_0^\infty A^{n+1}(\tau) d\tau \quad (7)$$

```
def _potInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,n,glx=None,glw=None): #TODO ok
    def integrand(tau):
        return _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n + 1)
    if glx is None:
        return integrate.quad(integrand,0.,numpy.inf)[0]
    else:
        return numpy.sum(glw*integrand(glx))
```

## 2.8. Integration for Forces

Purpose: Evaluation of the z component of the force as a function of (x,y,z) in the aligned coordinate frame

$$\Theta'_i = \int_0^\infty \frac{x_i}{a_i^2 + \tau} A^n(\tau) d\tau, \quad (8)$$

where

$$a_1 = a, \quad a_2 = ab, \quad a_3 = ac \quad (9)$$

```
def _forceInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,i,n,glx=None,glw=None): #TODO ok
    def integrand(tau):
        return -(x*(i==0) + y*(i==1) + z*(i==2))/(a2*(i==0) + a2*b2*(i==1) + a2*
c2*(i==2) + tau)*_FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n)
    if glx is None:
        return integrate.quad(integrand,0.,numpy.inf)[0]
    else:
        return numpy.sum(glw*integrand(glx))
```

## 2.9. Integration for Second Derivative

Purpose: Integral that gives the 2nd derivative of the potential in x,y,z

Derivative is generally  $\frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}$ ; for  $i == j$  the integral to be evaluated is:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{4n x_i^2}{(\tau + a_i^2)^2} \frac{\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i^2}{\tau + a_i^2}\right)^{n-1}}{[(\tau + a^2)](\tau + a^2 b^2)(\tau + a^2 c^2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \frac{2}{\tau + a_i^2} \frac{\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i^2}{\tau + a_i^2}\right)^n}{[(\tau + a^2)](\tau + a^2 b^2)(\tau + a^2 c^2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}} d\tau \quad (10)$$

In all other cases, the integral has this form:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{4n x_i x_j}{(\tau + a_i^2)(\tau + a_j^2)} \frac{\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i^2}{\tau + a_i^2}\right)^{n-1}}{[(\tau + a^2)](\tau + a^2 b^2)(\tau + a^2 c^2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}} d\tau \quad (11)$$

```
def _2ndDerivInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,i,j,n,glx=None,glw=None): #TODO ok
    def integrand(tau):
        if i!=j:
            return _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n-1)*(1+(-1-2*x/(tau+a2))*(i==0
or j==0))*(1+(-1-2*y/(tau+a2*b2))*(i==1 or j==1))*(1+(-1-2*z/(tau+a2*c2))*(i
==2 or j==2))
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else:
    var2 = x**2*(i==0) + y**2*(i==1) + z**2*(i==2)
    coef2 = a2*(i==0) + a2*b2*(i==1) + a2*c2*(i==2)
    return _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n-1)*n*(4*var2)/(tau+coef2)**2 +
_FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n)*(-2/(tau+coef2))
if glx is None:
    return integrate.quad(integrand,0.,numpy.inf)[0]
else:
    return numpy.sum(glw*integrand(glx))

```

## 2.10. Part of Integrand Used in All Functions

Purpose: Returns part of an integrand which is used in other functions so the code was more concise.

$$A^\nu(\tau) = \frac{\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i^2}{\tau + a_i^2}\right)^\nu}{[(\tau + a^2)](\tau + a^2 b^2)(\tau + a^2 c^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (12)$$

```

def _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,expon):
    return (1 - x**2/(a2 + tau) - y**2/(a2*b2 + tau) - z**2/(a2*c2 + tau))**
expon/numpy.sqrt((a2 + tau)*(a2*b2 + tau)*(a2*c2 + tau))

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