

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 $c < b$

Ω_b – pattern speed of the bar, $\vec{\Omega}_b = \hat{e}_z \Omega_b$ - not included in the code yet!

pa – If set, the position angle of the bar in the xy plane measured from x (rad or Quantity)

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)

Variables α appearing in the code in form $_a2$ carry the value of α^2 initialized in the beginning of the class `__init__` function.

2. Functions

(... those I have written so far, except for potential evaluating function itself implemented for rotating potential in an inertial frame of reference in which a bar lies aligned with x axis.)

2.1. Evaluate

Purpose: Evaluation of the rotating bar's potential as a function of (R, ϕ , z) in inertial frame taking into account initial position declared by 'pa'.

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

```
def _evaluate(self, R, z, phi=0., t=0.):
    if not self.isNonAxi:
        phi = 0.
    x, y, z = bovy_coords.cyl_to_rect(R, phi, z)
    xy = numpy.dot(self.rot(t), numpy.array([x, y]))
    x, y = xy[0], xy[1]
    return self._evaluate_xyz(x, y, z)

def _evaluate_xyz(self, x, y, z=0.):
    return -1/4/(self.n+1)*self._b*self._c*_potInt(x, y, z, self._a2, self._b2,
self._c2, self.n)
```

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, which is used for evaluation of the force in cylindrical coordinates and then in orbit integration; does not take into account bar's rotation or initial position and therefore shall not be used directly.

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

```

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)

```

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, which is used for evaluation of the force in cylindrical coordinates and then in orbit integration; does not take into account bar's rotation or initial position and therefore shall not be used directly.

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

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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)

```

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, which is used for evaluation of the force in cylindrical coordinates and then in orbit integration; does not take into account bar's rotation or initial position and therefore shall not be used directly.

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

```

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)

```

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

$$\rho(m^2) = \begin{cases} \frac{\text{amp}}{4\pi a^3} (1 - (m/a)^2)^n, & \text{for } m < a \\ 0, & \text{for } m \geq a \end{cases}$$

where

$$m^2 = x'^2 + \frac{y'^2}{b^2} + \frac{z'^2}{c^2} \quad (5)$$

```

def _dens(self,R,z,phi=0.,t=0.):
    x,y,z= bovy_coords.cyl_to_rect(R,phi,z)
    xy= numpy.dot(self.rot(t),numpy.array([x,y]))
    x,y= xy[0],xy[1]
    m2 = x**2/self._a2+y**2/self._b2+z**2/self._c2
    if m2 < 1:
        return 1/(4*numpy.pi*self.a**3)*(1-m2/self.a**2)**self.n
    else:
        return 0

```

2.6. General Second Derivative

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

$$\Phi_{ij} = -\frac{1}{4} b c \Phi'_{ij} \quad (6)$$

```
def _2ndDerivInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,i,j,n):
    def integrand(tau):
        if i!=j:
            return _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n-1)*n*(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))
        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))
    return integrate.quad(integrand,lowerlim(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2),numpy.inf)[0]
```

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

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

```
def _potInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,n):
    def integrand(tau):
        return _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n + 1)
    return integrate.quad(integrand,lowerlim(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2),numpy.inf)[0]
```

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

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

where

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

```
def _forceInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,i,n):
    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)
    return integrate.quad(integrand,lowerlim(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2),numpy.inf)[0]
```

2.9. Integration for Second Derivative

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

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

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

In all other cases, the integral has this form:

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

```
def _2ndDerivInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,i,j,n):
    def integrand(tau):
        if i!=j:
            return _FracInt(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2,tau,n-1)*n*(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))
        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))
    return integrate.quad(integrand,lowerlim(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2),numpy.inf)[0]
```

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))
```

2.11. Lower limit for the integrals

Purpose: Evaluates lower limit for integrals used in other functions, based on definition of the density distribution.

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \text{unique positive solution of } m^2(\lambda) = 1, & \text{for } m \geq 1 \\ \lambda = 0, & \text{for } m < 1 \end{cases}$$

where $m^2(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{x_i^2}{\lambda + a_i^2}$.

```
def lowerlim(x,y,z,a2,b2,c2):
    def func(tau):
        return x**2/(a2+tau) + y**2/(a2*b2+tau) + z**2/(a2*c2+tau) - 1

    if numpy.sqrt(x**2/a2 + y**2/(a2*b2) + z**2/(a2*c2)) >= 1:
        return fsolve(func,0)[0]
    else:
        return 0
```