

A Road Map

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Figure B.1 is a road map through Chapters 1, 2, and 3. Those who from time to time feel they have lost their bearings may find it useful to refer to this flowchart, which shows how the various concepts and results are interrelated. The pivotal influence of Sir Isaac Newton is obvious. All of the equations of classical orbital mechanics (the two-body problem) are derived from those listed here.

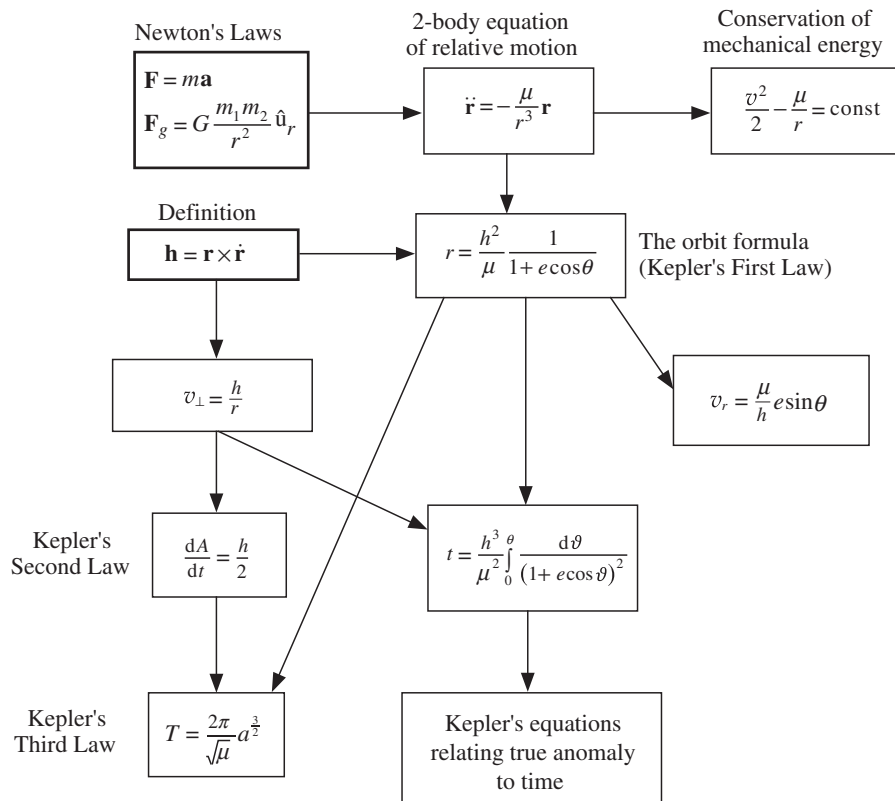


FIGURE B.1

Logic Flow for the Major Outcomes of Chapters 1, 2, and 3.