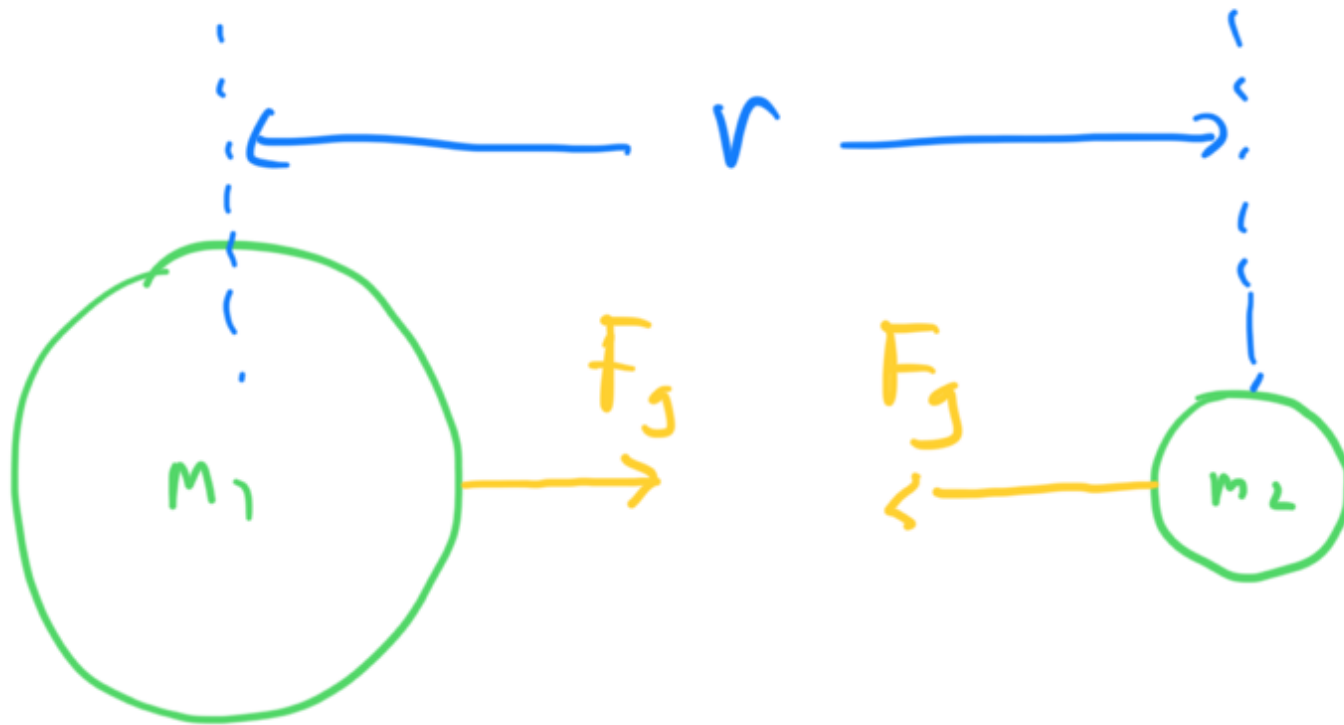


# Gravity



Important Concepts:

- ① Forces always come in pairs !!!  
— Newton's Third Law

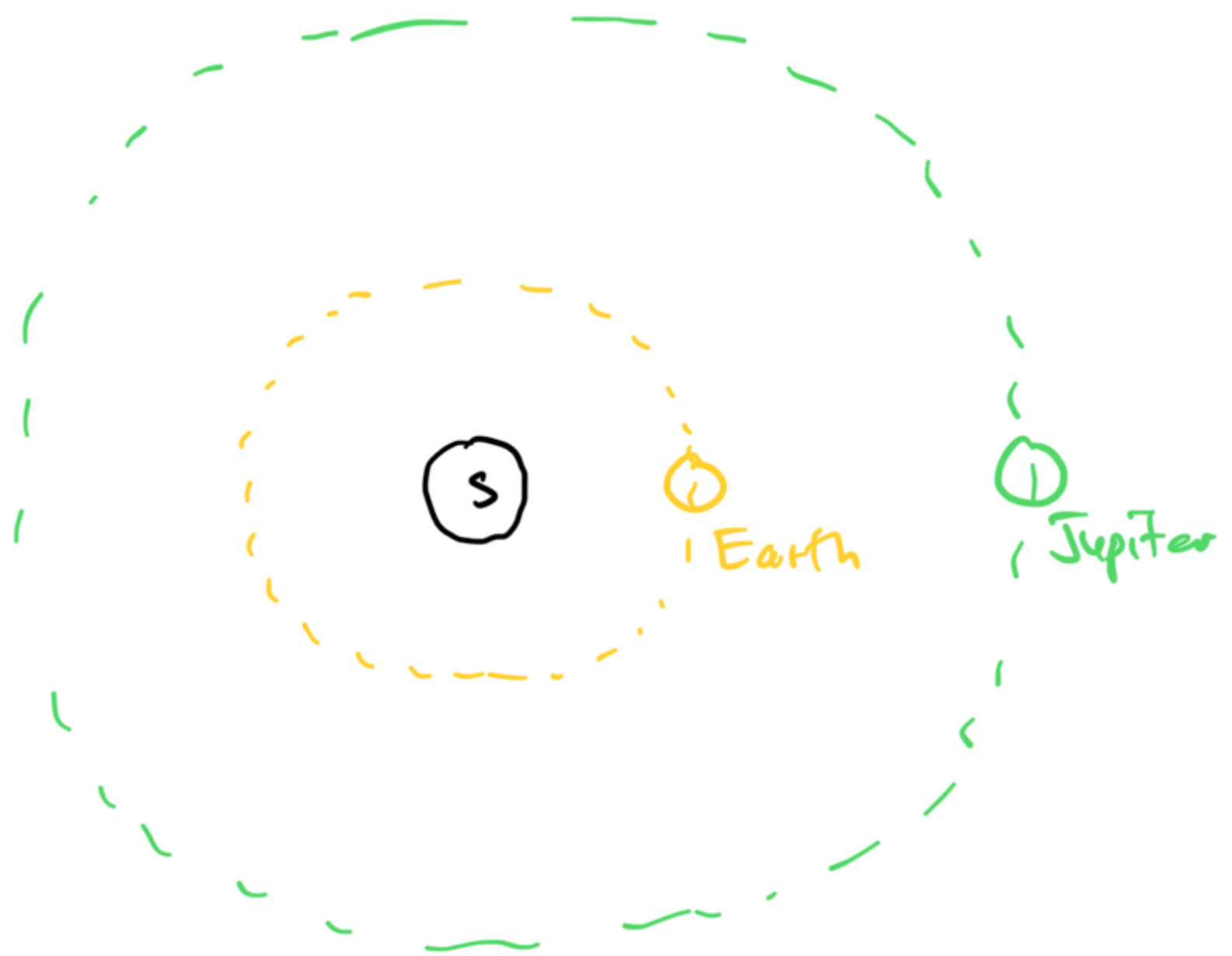
$$\vec{F}_{AB} = -\vec{F}_{BA}$$

"equal and opposite"

②  $|\vec{F}_g| = F_g = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r^2}$

$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$$

Example: Calculate the Force of Jupiter on a human baby, due to gravity. Assume Jupiter is at its closest approach to Earth.



$$R_{\text{Earth/Sun}} = 1.50 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$$

$$R_{\text{Jupiter/Earth}} = 7.78 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore R_{\text{Earth/Jupiter}} &= (7.78 - 1.50) \times 10^{11} \text{ m} \\ &= 6.28 \times 10^{11} \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$M_{\text{Jupiter}} = 1.90 \times 10^{27} \text{ kg}$$

$$M_{\text{Baby}} = \sim 7 \text{ lbs} = 3.2 \text{ kg}$$



$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G m_{\text{baby}} m_{\text{Jupiter}}}{R_{E/J}^2}$$

$$= \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11}) (3.2) (1.90 \times 10^{27})}{(6.28 \times 10^8)^2}$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = 1.02 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N}$$

b) Calculate the force of gravity of the doctor on the baby.

$$m_{\text{doctor}} \approx 180 \text{ lbs} = 81.7 \text{ kg}$$

$$R_{\text{doctor/baby}} \approx 0.1 \text{ m}$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G m_{\text{baby}} m_{\text{doctor}}}{R_{\text{D/B}}^2}$$

$$= \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(3.2)(81.7)}{(0.1)^2}$$

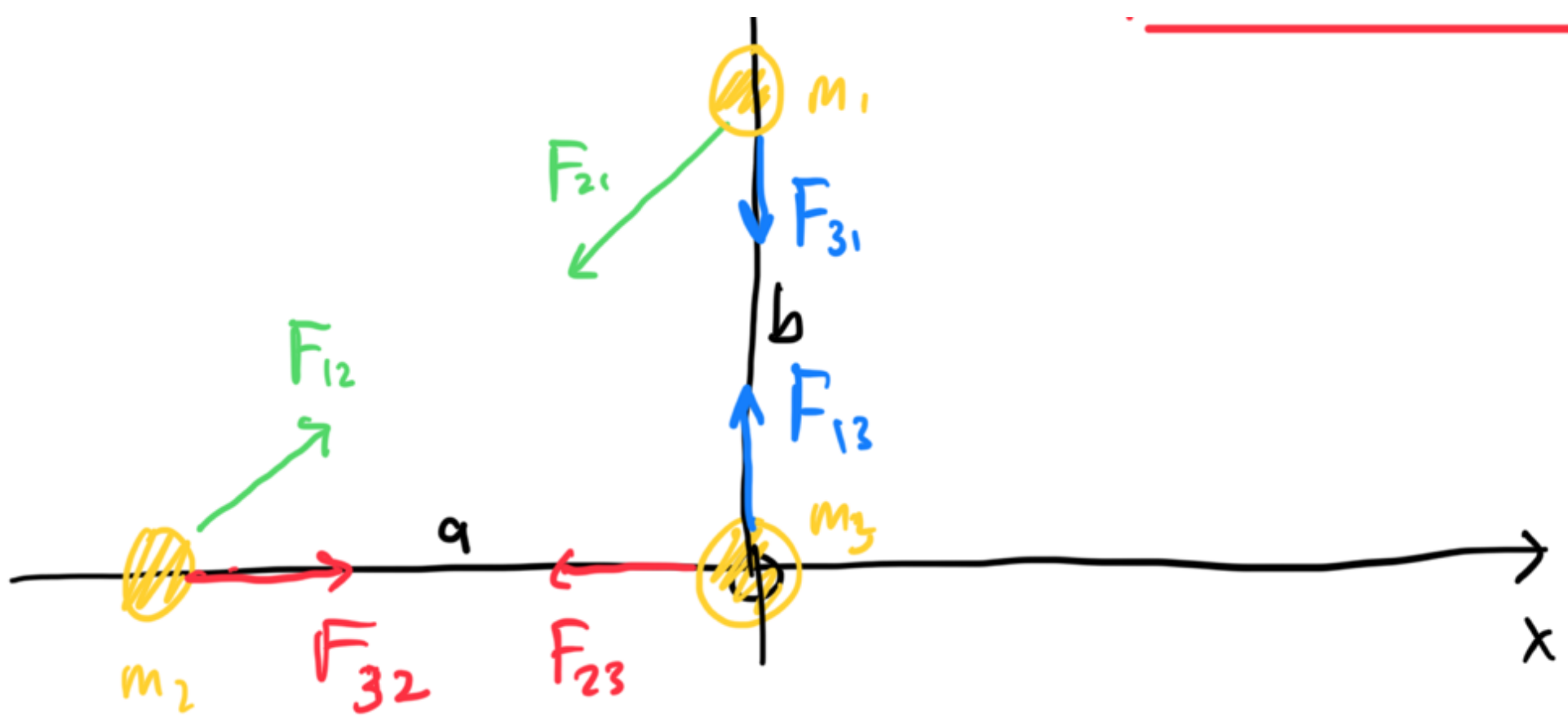
$$|\vec{F}_g| = 1.74 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N}$$

Conclusion: Astrology should pay more attention to who your OB/GYN is than where the planets are.

A1 Q2:

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Forces come in pairs!



Question what is the net force on  $m_3$ ?

$$\vec{F}_{\text{NET}} = \vec{F}_{23} + \vec{F}_{13}$$

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$$|\vec{F}_{23}| = \frac{G m_3 m_2}{a^2}$$

$$\therefore \vec{F}_{23} = - \frac{G m_3 m_2}{a^2} \hat{i}$$

$\swarrow$  unit vector in positive  $x$  direction

$$|\vec{F}_{13}| = \frac{G m_3 m_1}{b^2}$$

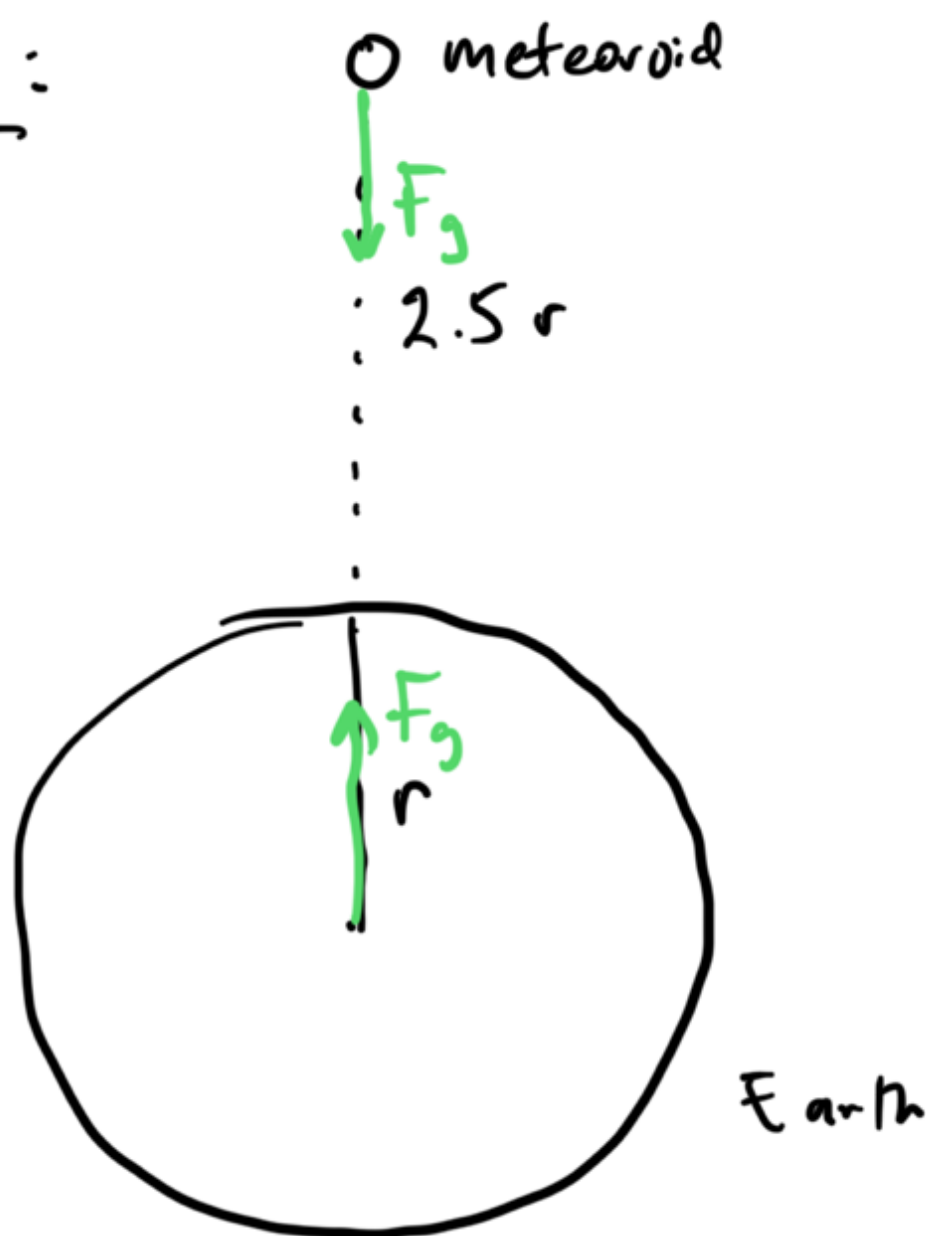
$$\therefore \vec{F}_{13} = + \frac{G m_3 m_1}{b^2} \hat{j}$$

$\swarrow$  unit vector in positive  $y$  direction.

$$\therefore \vec{F}_{\text{net}} = - \frac{G m_3 m_2}{a^2} \hat{i} + \frac{G m_3 m_1}{b^2} \hat{j}$$


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At Q 3:



What is the acceleration due to gravity of the meteoroid?

$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G \cancel{m_{\text{meteoroid}}} m_{\text{Earth}}}{(3.5r)^2} = \cancel{m_{\text{meteoroid}}} a_g$$

Note: Surface



$$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$$

$$m_{\text{Earth}} = 5.98 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$$

$$r = 6.378 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

$$\frac{Gm/m_E}{r^2} = m/g$$

$$\boxed{g = \frac{Gm_E}{r^2}}$$

$$a_g = \frac{(6.67 \times 10^{-11})(5.98 \times 10^{24})}{3.5^2 (6.378 \times 10^6)^2}$$

$$= 0.800 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Easier Way:

$$a_g^{\text{Surface}} = g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$a_g \propto \frac{1}{(\text{distance})^2}$$

$$\therefore a_{\text{meteor}} = a_{\text{Surface}} \times \left( \frac{1}{3.5^2} \right) = 0.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

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A1 Q4: Classic Physics Problem  $\rightarrow$

Two situations.

Venus

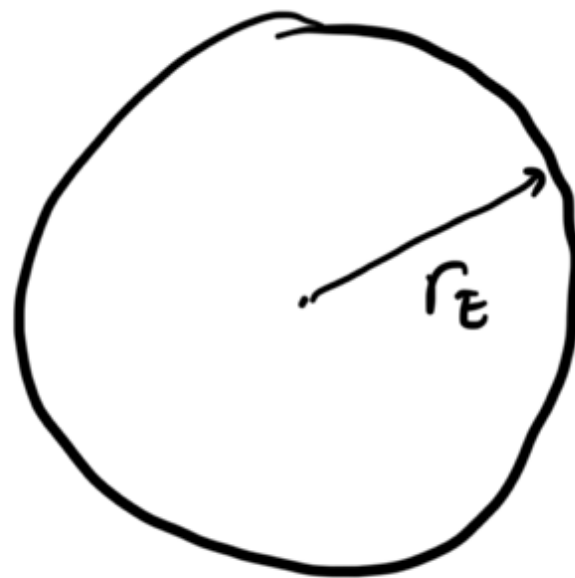


$m_v$

$r_v$

$$g_v = \frac{G m_v}{r_v^2}$$

Earth



$m_E$

$r_E$

$$g_E = \frac{G m_E}{r_E^2}$$

$$g_v \approx g_E$$

$$\therefore \frac{G m_v}{r_v^2} = \frac{G m_E}{r_E^2}$$

$$\therefore m_v = m_E \left( \frac{r_v}{r_E} \right)^2$$

$$m_v = (0.65)^2 m_E$$

$$\rho = \frac{m_v}{V_v}$$

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$$J_V = \overline{V_V}$$

$$= \frac{m_V}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_V^3}$$

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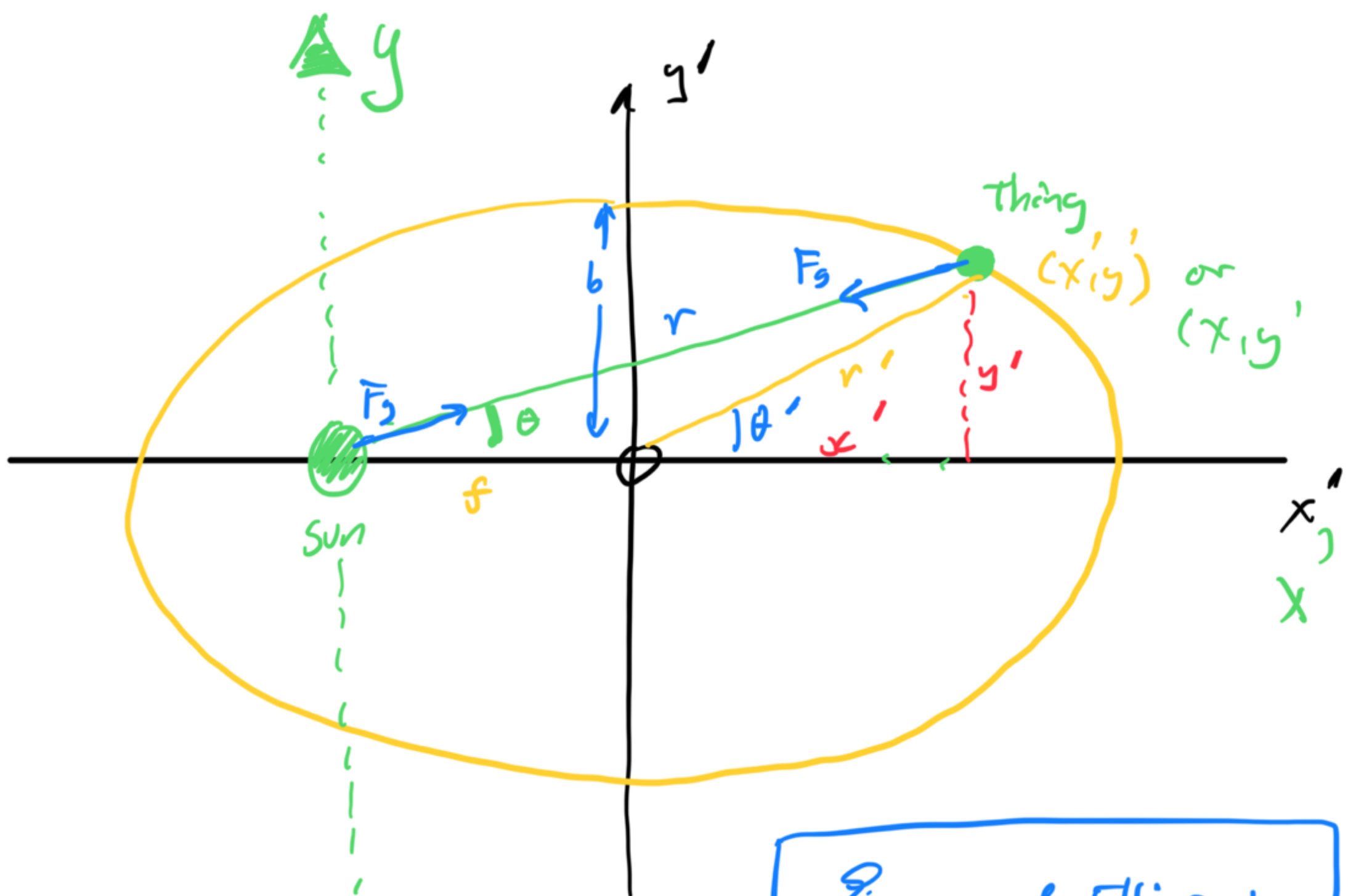
$$\therefore \frac{\rho_V}{\rho_E} = \frac{\frac{m_V}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_V^3}}{\frac{m_E}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_E^3}} = \frac{r_E^3}{r_V^3} \cdot \frac{m_V}{m_E}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{.65}\right)^3 \cdot (.65)^2$$

$$\frac{\rho_V}{\rho_E} = \frac{1}{0.65} = \underline{\underline{1.54}}$$

## A1 Q5: Comets

- Johannes Kepler ... orbits are ellipses!! The Sun is at one focus of the ellipse.
- Hmmm... I wonder why?



$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G M_T M_s}{d^2}$$

Equation of Ellipse:

$$\frac{(x')^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y')^2}{b^2} = 1$$

Definition of Ellipse:

$$d_1 + d_2 = \text{constant}$$

①

Change of coordinate systems! Let's

use the  $x/y$  coordinate system to  
define  $r$  and  $\Theta$ .

$$|\vec{F}_g| = \frac{G m_T m_S}{r^2}$$

$$x = r \cos \theta$$

$$y = r \sin \theta$$

## ② Conservation of Energy

$$\text{Kinetic Energy} = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \equiv T$$

$$\text{Gravitational Potential Energy} \equiv V$$

$$|\vec{F}_g| = - \frac{\partial V}{\partial r}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{V = - \frac{G m_T m_S}{r}}$$

Total Energy :

$$E = T + V = \frac{1}{2} m_T v^2 - \frac{G m_T m_S}{r}$$

= Constant

Conservation of Angular Momentum:

$$\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p} = \text{constant}$$
$$L = m r v \sin \theta = \text{constant}$$

Substitutions:

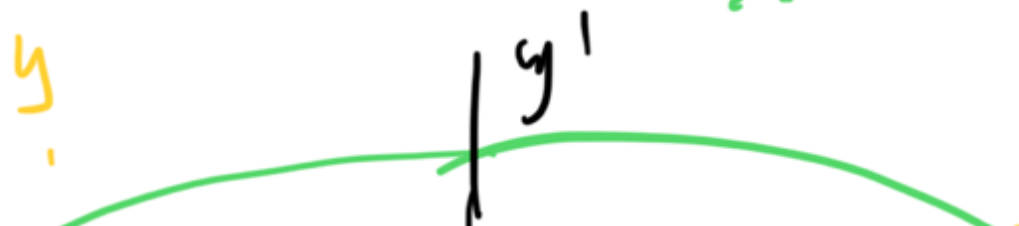
$$r_0 = \frac{L^2}{G M_S m_T^2}$$

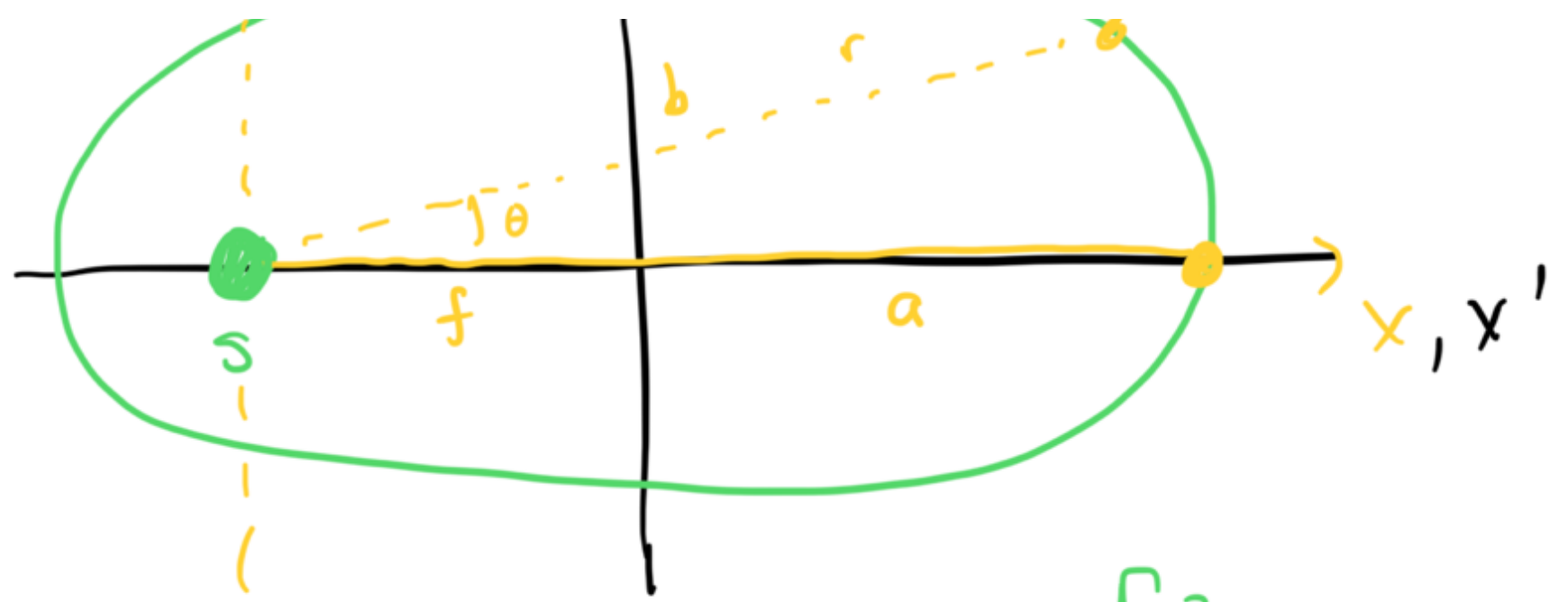
$$e^2 = 1 + \frac{2 E r_0}{G M_S m_T}$$

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$$r = \frac{r_0}{1 - e \cos \theta}$$

This is the equation of an ellipse  
in polar coordinates !!





$$\text{At } \theta = 0, \quad r = f + a = \frac{r_0}{1+e}$$

$$\text{at } \theta = 180^\circ, \quad r = a - f = \frac{r_0}{1-e}$$

$$r = \frac{a(1-e^2)}{1-e\cos\theta}$$

$$2a = r_0 \left( \frac{1}{1+e} + \frac{1}{1-e} \right)$$

$$= r_0 \left( \frac{1-e+1+e}{1-e^2} \right)$$

$$2a = \frac{2r_0}{1-e^2}$$

$$r_0 = a(1-e^2)$$

$$e \equiv \text{eccentricity} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{b^2}{a^2}}$$

notes: (1)  $e=0$  for a circle

(2) most elliptical orbit  $\rightarrow$  Mercury



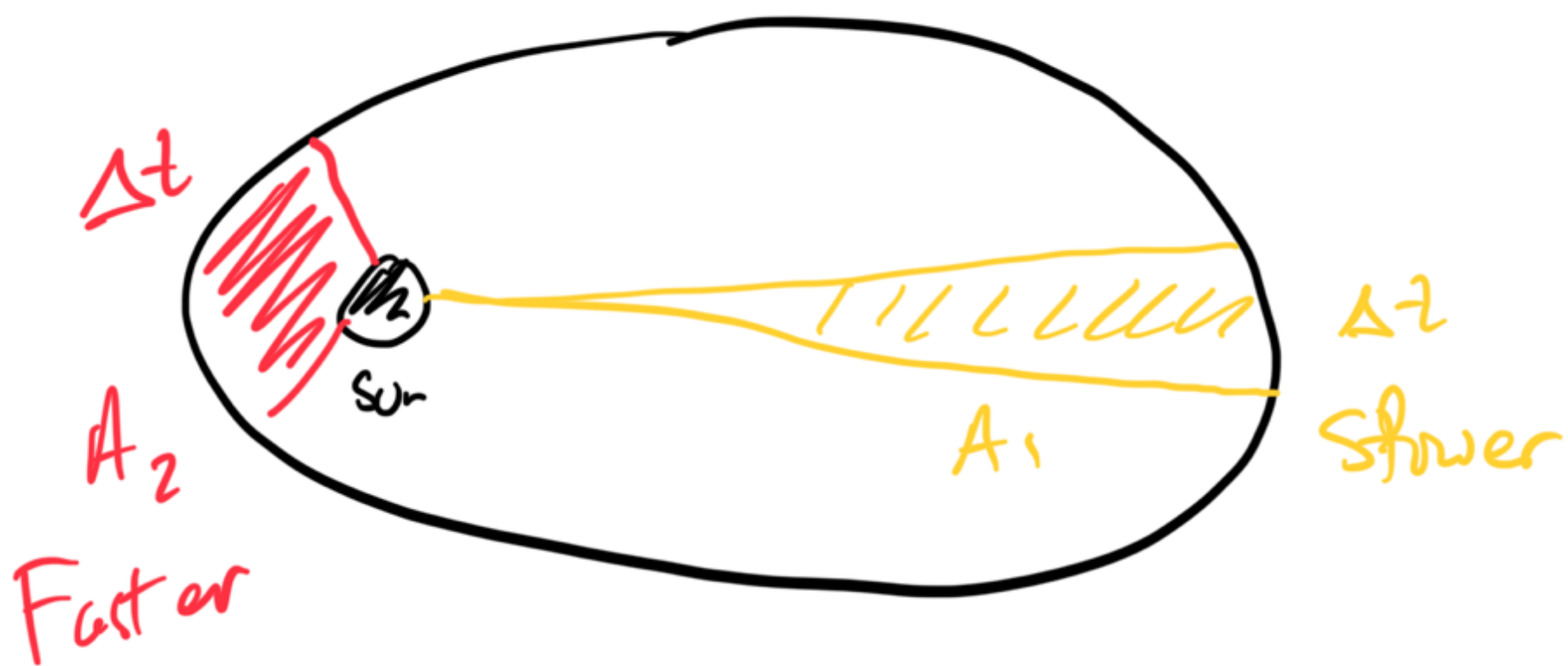
$$e_{\text{Mercury}} \sim 0.20$$

$$\rightarrow b = 0.98 a$$

(still, almost circular !!)

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Kepler's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law : area swept out is  
equal in equal time  
intervals.



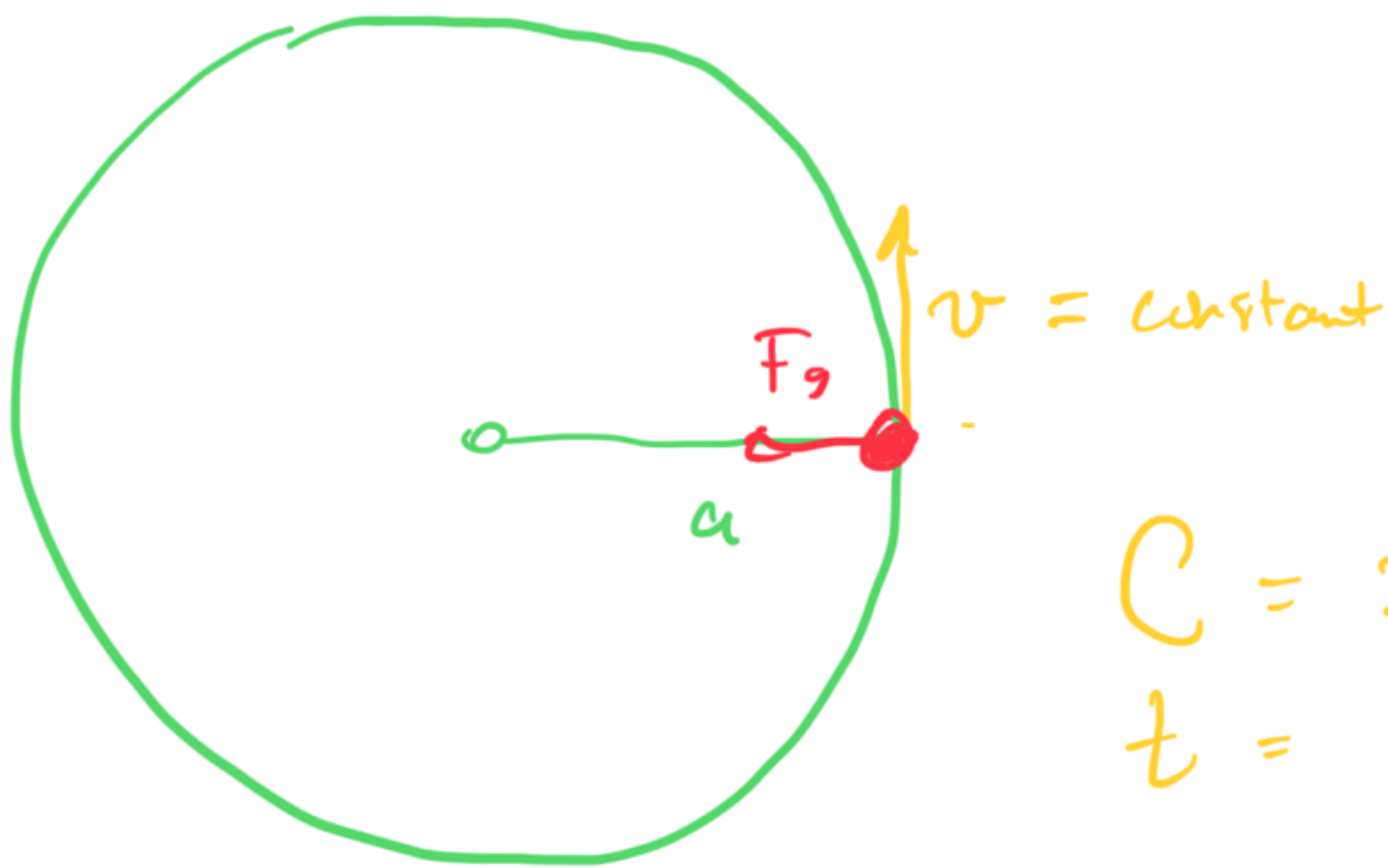
$\rightarrow$  This can be derived easily from  
Conservation of angular momentum.

Kepler's third Law



$$\frac{a^3}{T^2} = \text{constant}$$

Consider a circular orbit:



$$C = 2\pi a$$

$$t = T \leftarrow \text{period.}$$

$$v = \frac{C}{t} = \frac{2\pi a}{T}$$

$$F_g = \frac{G m_p m_s}{a^2} = \cancel{m_p} a = \frac{v^2}{a} \leftarrow \text{centripetal acc.}$$

$$\frac{G m_s}{a^2} = \frac{v^2}{\cancel{a}}$$

$$a^2 \quad G m_s = 4\pi^2 a^3 / T^2$$

$$v = \frac{a}{T} = \frac{2\pi a}{T}$$

$$\frac{a^3}{T^2} = \boxed{\frac{G m_s}{4\pi^2}} = \text{constant?}$$

What is this #?

We could work it out  $\rightarrow G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$

$m_s = \dots$

Or, we could use Earth!!

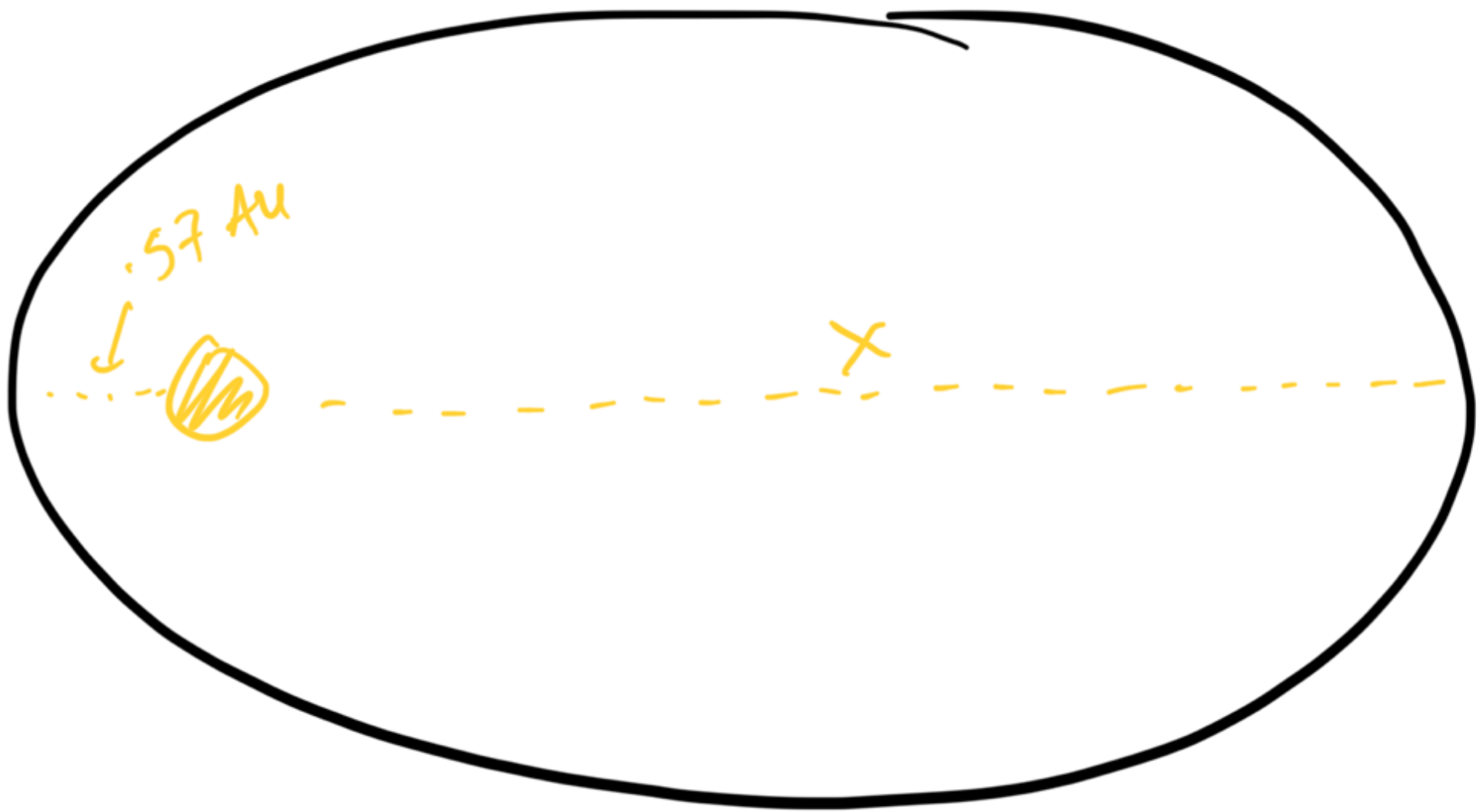
$$a = 1 \text{ A.U. } (= 1.50 \times 10^{11} \text{ m})$$

$$T = 1 \text{ year (by definition!)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^3}{T^2} = \frac{(1 \text{ A.U.})^3}{(1 \text{ year})^2} = 1 \frac{\text{A.U.}^3}{\text{yr}^2}$$

Now, we can use this constant for  
any other planet that orbits the Sun incl.

Comets !!



$$2a = x + 0.57$$

$$\frac{a^3}{T^2} = 1 \frac{\text{Au}^3}{\text{yr}^2}$$

$$a^3 = 1 \frac{\text{Au}^3}{\text{yr}^2} (83.6 \text{ yr})^2$$

$$= (83.6^2) \text{ Au}^3$$

$$a = \sqrt[3]{(83.6)^2} \text{ Au} = 19.12 \text{ Au}$$

$$2a = 38.24 \text{ Au} = x + .57 \text{ Au}$$

$$x = 37.7 \text{ Au.}$$

A1Q6: Io, a satellite of Jupiter



$$a = 4.22 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$$

$$T = 1.77 \times 24 \times 3600 \text{ s}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^3}{T^2} = \frac{(4.22 \times 10^8)^3}{(1.77 \times 24 \times 3600)^2} = 3.21 \times 10^{11} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}^2}$$

$$= Gm_J$$

$$\therefore m_J = \frac{4\pi^2 \cdot 3.21 \times 10^{11}}{G}$$

$$= 1.90 \times 10^{27} \text{ kg.}$$

Fun fact: This is how we determine the masses of planets, the mass of the sun, etc.

→ Most of the time, we can only measure

- ① speed
  - ② time

we then have to use those to determine other things, based on some underlying theory!!

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