

OBERON - OBliquity and Energy balance Run On Nbody systems

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1 Getting OBERON

OBERON is hosted on github at +++

2 Compiling OBERON

The source code is in the /src folder, which contains a Makefile. With the appropriate software installed, type 'make' to compile an executable.

3 Code Design

4 Input Options

4.1 Global Options

- ParType 'Positional/Orbital' The format of data for entry (either Cartesian co-ordinates for position and velocity or orbital elements)
- NBodyOutput (string) The filename for the N Body data file
- SnapshotTime (double) The time interval between data dumps and snapshots
- NGridPoints: (integer) The number of grid points used by the latitudinal energy balance model
- MaximumTime: (double) The maximum runtime of the simulation
- SystemName: (string) A descriptive string for the simulation
- Number Bodies: (integer) The number of bodies in the system
- Restart: 'T/F' is the simulation a restart? True or False (careful with this - not stable currently)
- FullOutput 'T/F' True: Output full snapshots as well as log files with surface averaged values for each body, False: log files only

4.2 Body Options (must be specified for each body)

- BodyName: (string)
- BodyType: 'Star/Planet/World'
- Mass: (double)
- Radius: (double)

For Positional Files:

- Position: (double) (double) (double) Cartesian position vector (astronomical units)
- Velocity: (double) (double) (double) Cartesian velocity vector (2π *AU/yr)

For Orbital Files:

- SemiMajorAxis: (double) Semimajor Axis (AU)
- Eccentricity: (double) Eccentricity

- Inclination: (double) Inclination (+++units?+++)
- LongAscend: (double) Longitude of the Ascending Node
- Periapsis: (double) Argument of Periapsis
- MeanAnomaly: (double) Mean Anomaly
- OrbitCentre: (integer) Where is the initial orbit focus? -1 = (0,0,0), 0=system centre of mass, 1,2,3... = Body 1,2,3)

4.2.1 Star Options

- Luminosity (double) Bolometric Luminosity (solar luminosity)

4.2.2 World Options

- RotationPeriod (double) World rotation period in days
- Obliquity (double) initial obliquity in degrees
- WinterSolstice (double) orbital longitude of the winter solstice (degrees)
- OceanFraction (double, $[0.0 \rightarrow 1.0]$) Fraction of the world's surface that is ocean
- InitialTemperature (double) Initial surface temperature of the world (at all latitudes)
- IceMeltingOn 'T/F' Is latent heat of melting for ice accounted for in climate calculation? True or False

5 Outputs

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- <WorldName>.<number> - a snapshot of <WorldName>'s latitudinal climate properties
- <WorldName>.<log> - a log file for <WorldName> tracking globally averaged climate properties and position/orbital properties